



## A Message from our Noble Grand...

### New Year's Greetings!

Wow! I am honored to be in the Noble Grand position for this current cycle of Oddness. The level of encouragement and support in our lodge is fantastic. I want to thank all of our brothers (one traveling all the way from Vermont!) who helped celebrate the recent installation of officers, and those who have expressed their personal commitment to give me the help I need to fill the big chair. I'll be calling on you as we look forward to a year of fun, growth, and deepening of our brotherhood.

I also want to acknowledge the outgoing team of Che, Ezekiel, Michael, and Eric. There are many ways to contribute to the Lodge: serving as an officer is a crucial one to keep the energy moving. Thank you, Brothers.

--Jeffrey



### Message From Vice Grand

Thanks to all the brothers for your generous love and encouragement. I look forward to facilitating Jeff's vision as he sets direction for our fellowship this year. Having been with the Odd Fellows for only a year, I am at once both student and supportive leader. I welcome your guidance, love and truth...

--Jay



### Odd Fellows Hall Management Report



By the time you read this, the hall and kitchen will have been under day-to-day Odd Fellows management for three full months. Hall and kitchen rentals are strong. The community using the hall seems to be happy with our management style and the various improvements we have been steadily making. Kitchen renters have doubled, with the kitchen now in use 7 days a week. Recurring hall renters have increased 66%. Recurring rentals of the hall and kitchen are our bread and butter. Each month our accounts have been in the black and growing.

The hall is well loved by the community -- providing

a large, funky, historic, and affordable environment. No other place on Orcas has our high level of activity, affordability and community embrace. We can be proud of our hall. Many brothers have contributed their precious time and resources to maintenance and upkeep of the hall. Our thanks go out to you all.

Two key projects for the coming year include adding purpose-built storage in the kitchen and hall to support renter needs, and improving the acoustics of the hall. To learn more about what is going on at the hall, check out our new website at [www.OddsHall.org](http://www.OddsHall.org).

--Jay

# CALENDAR

## January

20th 7:30 Visions for 2005  
27th 7:30 Innerworks: "Wisdom" (George P.)

## February

3rd 7:00 Comradery (hors d'oeuvres & dessert potluck)  
10th 7:30 Check-in/Sharing from the Heart  
17th 7:30 Music Night (voice, instruments, drums)  
24th 7:30 Full Moon Walk Madrona Pt/April Fools early brainstorm



## Mares Eat Oats, and Dues are Due



The cycle has come round to that time of year again. Many brothers have paid at the last two meetings, and I'm sure there are some checks in the mail as well. Remember that dues support our connection with the larger Odd Fellows organization, as well as our own funds. \$35 is pretty cheap admission to a year's worth of enlightenment, support, and entertainment. Dues are due each calendar year, so if you didn't get around to it until late last year...now is a great time to get it done for 2005. Think of it as another form of energy going into the circle. Enough said. Send those checks to Mt. Constitution Lodge, PO Box 1286, Eastsound 98245.



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## Your 2005 Lodge Officers

Jeffrey Zbornik	Noble Grand
Jay Kimball	Vice Grand
Bill Gincig	Treasurer
Tim Forbes	Secretary
Bill Wulff	Financial Secretary



## Birthdays

Jan. 13	Bill Thompson
Jan. 18	Michael Hurwicz
Jan. 19	Jay Kimball
Jan. 27	Jon Abbott
Feb. 4	Ron Slabaugh
Feb. 15	Joe Goodrich
Feb. 21	David Jessup
March 25	Tim Forbes