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Message from The Noble Grand

There have been a number of great men showing up for our open meetings & events. However, we've yet to schedule an initiation this year, as there has arisen a need to implement some kind of evaluation criteria for prospective initiates. Through Didier's recent "Our Process" Inner Works, we identified many shared values that bring us together – i.e. Laughter, Truth, Risk, Intimacy, Active Listening, etc. Should we strengthen these qualities in our lodge by inviting brothers who embody, cultivate & express these same attributes? Please come to the May 21st meeting where we will begin developing a workable process to help us select candidates for initiation.



GET OUTSIDE ALREADY

Led by our own intrepid Jeffrey Zbornik, seven brothers (as in a fairy tale) kayaked out to Yellow Island on Sunday, April 27th. Jeffrey, along with fellow paddlers Jack Blackburn, Che Blaine, John Clancy, David Densmore, Didier Gincig, & Michael Hurwicz had a wondrous day on the water and exploring wildflowers on the island. Check the calendar & stay tuned for more upcoming adventures, including a pair of treks up Turtleback & Mt. Entrance, plus a Methow River whitewater raft trip that Didier is organizing. We've also reserved the Cascade Lake picnic shelter for our June 25 meeting. See you there!

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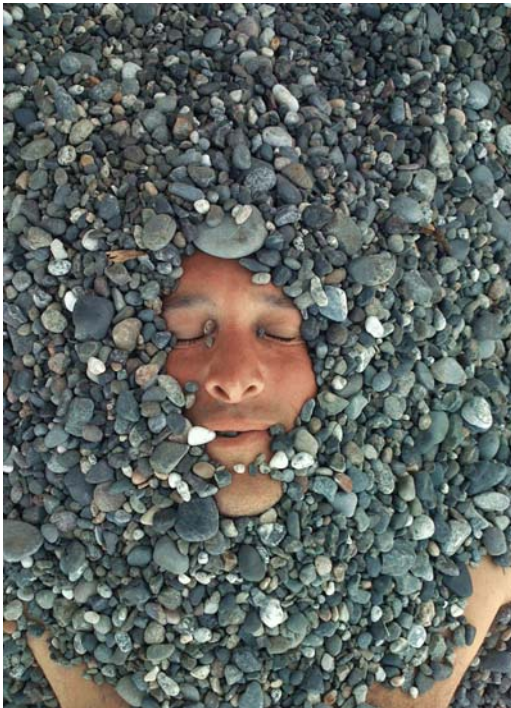
Thanks to Frank Michels for installing the new track lighting in the lodge. Hallelujah brother, we see the light (and it looks great!)

O BROTHER, WHERE ART THOU?

Our "far gone" brother Ron Slabaugh will soon be conducting his annual pilgrimage to the left coast to visit his children, grandkids, friends & brothers. At our June 18th meeting Ron will be sharing an Inner Works on the timeless topic of green burial and funerals of the do-it-ourselves persuasion. If you, or anyone you know, has any intention of ever passing on, this evening is not to be

Flying Dreams

Rumor has it there's some kinda big bird getting ready to soar over these here islands. With its inflatable pontoon feet, this giant man-carrying birdwing will be kited aloft to several thousand feet above the water, releasing its mile-long towline to fly freely about, around and down to a seaplane-like landing on the water. Enjoy. Repeat as necessary.



missed. Will hopefully be accompanied by our very own musical adaptation of "Whaddaya do with a drunken lifeless sailor?"

~ In FL&T, Eric

Happy Birthday

Robin Kucklick 5-5
 Fred Enge 5-14
 David Densmore 5-26
 Jeffrey Zbornik 5-29
 Steve Cohan 5-30
 John Roselli 5-30
 Wayne Heldt 5-31
 Ken Loyd 6-26
 Joe Symons 6-27



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Calendar of Events

- May 7** Open Camaraderie meeting; Potluck 6pm
- May 14** Music Night with David D., Michael H., John S.
- May 18 (sun.)** Mt. Entrance Hike. Meet at lodge 10am
- May 21** Evaluation Process for prospective initiates
- May 28** Landscaping/Waterside grounds improvement
- June 4** Turtleback Walk
- June 11** Explore ideas for Solstice & July 4th parades
- June 18** Inner Works with Ron Slabaugh: "Whaddaya Do With a Drunken Lifeless Sailor?"
- June 21 (sat.)** Solstice Parade
- June 25** Fools Night Out at Cascade Lake picnic shelter. Come early to play & swim; Potluck 6pm; Campfile meeting 7:30pm.
- July 2** Prepare for Fourth of July Parade
- July 5 (Sat.)** Fourth of July Parade

