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KAYAKING TO YELLOW ISLAND

What a day it was, Easter Sunday, as several brothers and guests kayaked to Yellow Island to witness the beauty of the flowers and the place. We shared snacks, laughs, songs, and even a dance. Thanks to Jeff!



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Firewood Work Party Success

When we arrived at Leo Lambiel's home to transport rounds of wood to our woodpile at Bill's, the brothers faced a daunting task as HUGE rounds were piled on a steep embankment. We all had our doubts. However, we moved those beasts one by one up the hill and into our trucks. Many brothers shared in this ambitious, satisfying endeavor. We will have a wood splitting party to create firewood for those in the community that need our help in staying warm next winter. These work parties strengthen our friendships, our brotherhood, and our commitment to serve our community. Well done, and thank you to Fred Klein and John Sumrall for making it happen and to Leo Lambiel for donating the wood. Success!



Hearts & Hands Visit

Betsy Louton, coordinator of Hearts and Hands, visited the lodge recently and informed us about the program in which those in need are matched with volunteers who would like to be of service.

We identified a four-part plan.

- 1) Our awareness of Hearts and Hands helps us recommend to those who need help that such a program exists.
- 2) It may be that one day, a brother could benefit from a Hearts and Hands volunteer.
- 3) We may choose at some point to offer a donation to the program.
- 4) A brother may choose to call the Senior Center and let Betsy know he is available to be of service to others. Betsy may also call if a group of us can be helpful.

Examples of what kind of help includes cutting kindling for those who cannot do it themselves, helping in a garden for someone who may be getting on in age and could benefit from a helping hand, getting groceries in town, a special building project for someone in need, cooking a meal, being company to someone who is suffering or experiencing difficulty. Betsy told us meaningful relationships are often formed through Hearts and Hands.

Inner Works

Some of our best meetings are Inner Works. You are invited to lead an Inner Works. Let the council members know what you may have in mind and we'll put it on the schedule.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Robin Kucklick 5-09
 Lennie Evans 5-11
 Fred Enge 5-14
 David Densmore 5-26
 Jeffrey Zbornik 5-29
 Wayne Heldt 5-31



Calendar of Events



Mt. Constitution Lodge - No. 88
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- May 4**
 Work party: Move Regalia Room into upper storage (open meeting)
- May 11**
 Birthdays / Check-in (Discuss solstice parade)
- May 18**
 Group songwriting with David D.; Move mud room stuff into Regalia Room
- May 25**
 Free / Open / Whatever
- June 1**
 **Meeting at Francis Racey's (not at the Odd's Hall!!!) Inner Works on aging with Fred E.
- June 8**
 Outdoors activity (HIke? Beach cleanup?)
- June 15**
 Solstice parade prep
- June 18**
 The 2011 Summer Solstice Parade / Celebration will be on Saturday, June 18th. This year's theme is "AROUND THE WORLD". Watch for updates on Facebook ("Orcas Island Solstice Parade").
- June 22**
 Check-in
- June 29**
 Open with women, including Oddesses

**Directions to Francis Racey's house:

Right on Cormorant Bay Road (just before the Deer Harbor Community Club), Left on Starling Drive, Right on Sandpiper Drive (where road T's), Francis' driveway is a short distance down Sandpiper on the left. **264 Sandpiper Drive**