

# THE ODD NEWS



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## *A Message from our Noble Grand.....*

This newsletter will take us through Thanksgiving! It has been a pleasure being your noble grand. It has not always been easy, and it has certainly been enriching in many ways. Thank you for the opportunity. I hope we can all continue to support each other this year and the years to follow. I love you all very much and cherish our time together. The money, logistics, hard work, tough love, planning and discussions are all permeated with a sense of love, brotherhood, honesty, clarity, and spirit. You have taught me so much. Thank you. We are forever changed for having known each other. I hope to see you at the autumn meetings. I look forward to seeing your smiling faces and your bright candles that reflect your bright and beautiful spirits

In Friendship, Love, and Truth,

Didier Gincig



## COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING AT THE LODGE

Once again, several brothers, Bill and Monique Gincig, and Didier and his family will be hosting a community Thanksgiving. What a wonderful time to share and acknowledge and give thanks for friends, food, love, and community! The kitchen and the lodge will be open for a potluck meal and celebration, which begins at 4:30. Families and individuals are welcome.



## Initiations

The date is set for November 20 with a rehearsal on the 13th. We are excited about bringing in new brothers and strengthening our connections.

## Decorating the Lodge

You are invited to decorate the lodge. Please bring beautiful artwork to help us transform our meeting room into more of a reflection on us.



## Wood Raffle

We will be selling wood raffle tickets on our own as we go through September and October. We will also be selling them on Saturdays in front of Island Market. If you do not regularly attend meetings but would like to help us raise funds, please call Didier at 376-5339 to sign up for a two hour slot on a Saturday in October.

## Wood Cutting Parties

We have been cutting and delivering wood. There will be additional wood cutting parties before it gets too wet and cold. Way to go wood service guys! Way to bring the heat to the people!

## Calendar



### September

- 18th 7:30 Inner Works. Communication with Jim Ekberg
- 25th 7:30 A quiet evening with spirit

### October

- 2nd 6:30 Harvest potluck dinner - eating begins at 6:30ish (Harvest or otherwise), meeting at 7:30. Open night for prospective members.
- 9th 7:30 Non-scheduled meeting TBA
- 16th 7:30 Inner Works: John Clancy & Jim Sumrall - Death, Discrimination and Dialogue)
- 23rd 7:30 Singing, drumming, getting together, silence, perhaps some business.... and discussing initiations.
- 30th 7:30 Set up for Halloween Dance, please come help!

### November

- 6th 6:00 Prospective initiates will join us for our last open meeting before initiations. Casual Potluck dinner at 6:00-6:30ish. Meeting at 7:30.
- 13th 7:30 Preparations for next week's initiations. **Please attend.**
- 20th 7:30 Initiations.
- 27th 4:30 **Community Thanksgiving Dinner** at the Odd Fellows Hall. Potluck dinner, everyone is welcome.

## Halloween Dance

This year's dance will be awesome! We will have a rocking, dancing Halloween with "Spoonsshine" from Anacortes. Great dance music!

# BAKER LAKE CAMP OUT




  
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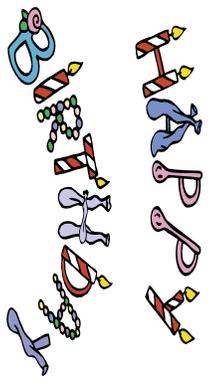
## Insurance & Fund Raising

Our insurance went way up. Our finances are challenging. If you have energy into helping our noble grand and others create and implement a community fund raising event, including music, comedy, and a dinner, please let us know. If a few people want to help create this event, it'll happen in a terrific way!



## EARTH CHARTER

The brothers have voted to endorse the Earth Charter as a lodge. This is a non-politically aligned document that is endorsed by thousands of organizations and individuals worldwide. If you have not read the document, it is available at the lodge, or see Didier for your own copy.



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| September 21 | Dave Roseberry  |
| September 27 | Mark Anderson   |
| October 4    | Jim Allen       |
| October 29   | Richard Russell |
| November 18  | John Clancy     |