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FROM THE EAST...

My Brothers: How did Mothers' day came about

History: Different countries celebrate Mother's Day on various days of the year because the day has a number of different origins.

One school of thought claims this day emerged from a custom of mother worship in [ancient Greece](#), which kept a festival to [Cybele](#), a great mother of Greek gods. This festival was held around the [Vernal Equinox](#) around Asia Minor and eventually in Rome itself from the [Ides of March \(15 March\)](#) to [18 March](#). The [ancient Romans](#) also had another holiday, [Matronalia](#) that was dedicated to [Juno](#), though mothers were usually given gifts on this day. In some countries the Mother's Day began not as a celebration for individual mothers but rather for Christians.

Mother's Day in United State: The United States celebrate Mother's Day on the second Sunday in May. In the [United States](#), Mother's Day was loosely inspired by the British day and was imported by social activist [Julia Ward Howe](#) after the [American Civil War](#). However, it was intended as a call to unite women against war. In 1870, she wrote the [Mother's Day Proclamation](#) as a call for peace and disarmament. Howe failed in her attempt to get formal recognition of a Mother's Day for Peace. Her idea was influenced by [Ann Jarvis](#), a young Appalachian homemaker who, starting in 1858, had attempted to improve sanitation through what she called Mothers' Work Days. She organized women throughout the Civil War to work for better sanitary conditions for both sides, and in 1868 she began work to reconcile Union and Confederate neighbors. In parts of the United States it is customary to plant tomatoes outdoors after Mother's Day (and not before). When Jarvis died in 1907, her daughter, named [Anna Jarvis](#), started the crusade to found a memorial day for women. The first such Mother's Day was celebrated in [Grafton, West Virginia](#), on [10 May 1908](#), in the church where the elder Ann Jarvis had taught Sunday school. Grafton is the home to the International Mother's Day Shrine. From there, the custom caught on — spreading eventually to 45 states. The holiday was declared officially by some states beginning in 1912. In 1914 President Woodrow Wilson declared the first national Mother's Day, as a day for American citizens to show the flag in honor of those mothers whose sons had died in war.

Nine years after the first official Mother's Day, commercialization of the U.S. holiday became so rampant that Anna Jarvis herself became a major opponent of what the holiday had become. Mother's Day continues to this day to be one of the most commercially successful U.S. occasions. According to the [National Restaurant Association](#), Mother's Day is now the most popular day of the year to dine out at a restaurant in the United States. (Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia).

My Brothers, the month of May will be an exciting month, but let us not forget that in April we had some memorable and solemn days, as well. We installed Brother Oscar Cordero as our new Junior Warden and Brother Alan Ambito as our Senior Deacon-congratulation, my Brothers. We held a fund-raising golf tournament which proved to be a very successful one. We had 104 listed to play with two no shows-which coincidentally were replaced by those who walked-in.

We conferred several Brothers from 1st to 3rd degrees.

We elected eight candidates to received degrees and read five application forms. Due to numerous candidates we held special conferral on Saturdays. Our Junior Warden attended the Junior Warden's retreat and I'm confident he brings back excellent ideas how to manage the Lodge. We celebrated our annual event, the presentation of awards to most outstanding students of National City Public School. On a solemn note, we gave Masonic rites and last respects as we remember the passing away of one of our Past Master, Worshipful Sonny Discar, may the GAOTU always be with you.

This month we will see, experience and enjoy plenty of events at the Lodge. We will celebrate Mother's day with luncheon date TBD. Then, our own Senior Warden will have the privilege to attend Senior Wardens' retreat that he will expand his knowledge of running the Lodge next year. We scheduled numerous degree conferrals from 1st to 3rd degrees. We will always have ritual practices, and of course degree conferrals will not happen without and proficiency examinations.

Reminder, if you have young male children between the age of 12-20 (sons, nephews, grandsons, neighbor's sons or nephews) they are welcome to join our elite Order of Demolay. Demolays do not have to be related to a Mason. And your daughters, nieces and grand daughters are welcome to join our prestigious Orders of Jobs Daughter.

Note: We are planning to have an overnight trip to Las Vegas for members or non-members. If you are interested please let us know so we could set the date and start looking for a tour bus. Charge is minimal. Thank you for all your support. See you all in the Lodge.



Fraternally...Rudy Duero, Master



From the West...

The Month of May has so many significant importance and celebration, not only here in good old USA but also around the world. We gather together to celebrate "Mothers Day". It's that most precious moment when stop and give thanks to our beloved Mother, whose love, patience and care of her children are forever in our hearts. So, let us pause for a moment and gave thanks to all the Mothers living or not.

Across the border, our friends in the south also celebrates "Cinco de Mayo" as in this day was the "Battle of Puebla". For brief history, this battle was on May 5, 1862 between France led by Army General Laurencez and the Mexican General Ignacio Zaragoza who had no experience in military tactics but was a veteran in guerrilla warfare. Many of his troops are agricultural workers armed with antiquated rifles and machetes. The battle

would take place in a muddy, uneven field. It was this battle that General Zaragoza defeated the French Army forcing them to flee to the coast.

Armed Forces Day honors all branches of the armed forces of the United States. It is celebrated on the third weekend of May. President Harry S. Truman proclaimed Armed Forces Day as a holiday and was first celebrated in May 1950.

Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, is a day of remembrance for those have died in our nation's service. There are many stories as to its actual beginnings, with over two dozen cities and towns laying claim to being the birthplace of Memorial Day. Memorial Day was officially proclaimed on May 5, 1868 by General John Logan and was first observed on May 30 1868, when flowers were placed on the graves on Union and Confederate soldiers at Arlington National Cemetery.

So let's all go out and celebrate these events with our loved ones regardless if we are veteran, a father, or just wanted to share these moments with those who have someone to honor or to remember. Let's give thanks to those whom we owe our liberty, freedom and most of all to our beloved mother who brought us in this world that we will forever be grateful. For without their kind and loving care and sacrifices, we would not have what we enjoy now.

To all the Moms, thank you very much!!

Fraternally... Larry De Vera, Senior Warden



From the South...

Let me take this opportunity to convey to all members of South West Lodge my most sincere appreciation for the unanimous vote of endorsement on my election to serve as Junior Warden for the rest of calendar year 2008. I have accepted and engrossed with honor to be elevated to this position. I am humbled by your acceptance and with that privilege I submit in return my most sincere promise to execute the duties of this office to the utmost of my ability.

I would like to convey my congratulations to Brother Alan Ambito upon his installation as my replacement as the Senior Deacon. Congratulation is also in order for Worshipful Ernie Lampa as the new Officers' Coach.

Worshipful Romeo Dumpit, Officers' coach and Brother Percy Tiu, Junior Warden, tendered their resignations to vacate their respective positions for personal reasons. There are unavoidable changes in their personal lives that necessitated their resignations and subsequently changed their commitments to serve the lodge. Their honesty and courage are quite exemplary and most admirable. They have served this lodge with honesty and integrity and their services are greatly appreciated and will truly be missed.

Fraternally...Oscar Cordero, Junior Warden



- Roberto Canare..... May 1
- Rafael Laserna..... May 2
- Arturo Santos..... May 4
- Marcelino Bagtas..... May 4
- Cresenciano Dayrit..... May 5
- James Secrest..... May 5
- Alberto Matias..... May 6
- John Oropesa..... May 6
- Joe Kendrick..... May 6
- Fernando Cabusao..... May 7
- John Brosnahan..... May 7
- Rolando Cayetano, Jr..... May 10
- Edward Pamintuan..... May 11
- Benjamin Doria..... May 12
- Carlos Mabalot..... May 12
- Wilfredo Abalos..... May 13
- Jacob Borillo..... May 13
- Reynaldo Sansano..... May 14
- Giovanni Perez..... May 14
- Joven Miller..... May 16
- Carlito Plojo..... May 16
- Richard Hubbard..... May 17
- Eddie Brandes..... May 19
- Jason David..... May 19
- M V Brock..... May 19
- Jim Desquitado..... May 19
- Lester Nelson..... May 20
- Jess Fulgencio..... May 21
- Carlos Solinap, Jr..... May 22
- Raul Nooris..... May 23
- Patricio Flores..... May 27
- Beda Galleta..... May 27
- Alex Pascual..... May 30
- Manuel Hebreo..... May 31



Congratulations!

ENTERED APPRENTICE

- Bro. Eymard Cruz..... April 19
- Bro. Elizer Castellones..... April 19
- Bro Luis Manzo..... April 19
- Bro. Robert Santos..... April 19
- Bro. Edward Santos..... April 26
- Bro. Dolreich Faustino..... April 26
- Bro. Rainier Dela Cruz..... April 26
- Bro. Ramil Caguioa..... April 26

MASTER MASON

- Bro. Romano Ochoa..... April 17

In Loving Memory
Worshipful Brother Sonny Discar
 Born: Oct 02, 1934
 Raised: Apr 22, 1981
 Rest in Peace: Apr 04, 2008
 Almighty Father, into Thy hands we commend the soul of our beloved Brother.



From the Secretary Desk ...

Brethren, there are still a few brethren who have not pay their dues for the year 2008 . Please pay your dues now....

Fraternally... Jake Borillo, PM, Secretary



**CALIFORNIA MASONIC CODE SECTION 807.080
MANNER OF VOTING**

All questions in a Lodge, except as otherwise provided in this Code, shall be decided either by a voice vote, by hand or by a rising vote, unless, before the announcement of the result thereof, three members shall demand that the vote be taken by ballot, in which event it shall be thus taken. All questions shall be decided by a majority vote of the members present except as otherwise provided in this Code. *[Source: Section 17010 of the 1991 California Masonic Code.]*

CALIFORNIA MASONIC CODE SECTION 808.040



OBJECTION TO VISITOR

A visitor shall not be admitted if, in the opinion of the Master, there is a valid objection to the admission by a member of the Lodge. The objection shall be made privately to the Master, stating the reason therefore. The Master's decision shall be governed by his discretion and is final. He shall not disclose to the visitor, any member, or any other person the name of the member objecting, but he shall privately inform the visitor that a member objects. *[Source: Section 24020 of the 1991 California Masonic Code.]*

"HIRAM AWARD" NOMINATION

South West Lodge is now accepting nomination(s) for the Hiram Award, the highest award in Masonry. Please submit all nominations, in writing or email, to Brother Clarito De Vera, ldevera@alliantinsurance.com, Chairman of the Hiram Award Committee on or before June 5, 2008. The awarding ceremony will be in July 2007 at the date to be decided by the awardee. The recipient will be announced on June 2008 Stated Meeting.

SOUTH WEST LODGE "MASON OF THE YEAR AWARD" NOMINATION

South West Lodge is also accepting nomination(s) for the Lodge's "Mason of the Year" award. Please submit all nominations in writing or email to Brother Clarito De Vera, ldevera@alliantinsurance.com, Chairman, on or before June 15, 2008. The awarding and reception is scheduled at Scottish Rite Center in time for Most Worshipful Richard Wakefield Hopper (Grand Master's) Reception on August 30, 2008.

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