

TRESTLE BOARD

Washington Lodge No. 20 F. & A. M.

September 2016

Staying Connected

Our 166th



From the East: Worshipful Scott Goode



September 10th is quickly approaching. As you know we will be enjoying a day in Union City to have an open air degree. We will be initiating Mr. Cornell Tindall into our fraternity at this event. It would be nice to have many sideliners attend or participate. We need a second tiler for this degree and I welcome volunteers. Please email me at wln20master@gmail.com to let me know you would like to attend and get a free ride there and back. You will just need \$15 for lunch.

I am very excited to inform everyone that we will be having two 3rd degrees in September. On September 15th we will raise Brother Mauro Lara and on September 22nd we will raise Brother Jacob Cummings. We will have dinner at 6 PM before each degree. Come out and support our Brothers as we bring them from darkness to see the light by which Master Masons work.

We will be having a 3rd degree Practice on September 8th in preparation for the upcoming 3rd degrees. Officers are required to attend, but any Master Mason may show up and participate. We will meet at 7 PM, but I will be there about 5:30 if anyone wants to come early and go over any of the ritual.

The charity drive for Masons4Mitts, Masonic homes and raising a reader are still fully underway. If you can contribute and help out, please let Brother Jerod Yoshiki know or go to www.freemason.org. Jared is also collecting old glasses that will be used to help those in need of them.

Our annual Constitution Night will be held on September 29th. Please let our Junior Warden, Brother Luis Montero know if you will be attending, his email is wln20jw@gmail.com. The cost will be \$10 per person. We will enjoy an informative night with a Federal Judge. If you have not been to one of these, you are in for a treat.

Brother Victor Sanchez is planning our annual Ladies Night. He has come up with a great meal and a fun theme. If you can help him with any phase of this event please contact him.



From the West

Victor U Sanchez, Sr. Warden



Welcome back to all of our brothers who have been off for vacation and family gatherings. It is good to see you once again. August has been a relatively slow hot month. We've had some instances where the front doors to the lodge have been vandalized. Reports have been executed, just need to find the vandal. The security committee has taken the lead and our attorney will be reaching out to SPD to see what actions we can take and what actions the DA will pursue. We have a lot of filed reports, but it seems the DA's office or the PD do not consider these acts of vandalism eligible for prosecution. That's too bad because our vandal has escalated to threatening our brothers at Scottish Rite. Thousands of dollars have been spent to correct the problem and to replace materials, hopefully someone does not need to be injured by this scoundrel before some action is taken to correct his actions. However, rest assured, we are doing our best to stop this activity.

September will be upon us soon and we have a full schedule of activity. On September 10th, we will head to Union City and perform an Open Air degree, have some lunch and take a tour of this great facility. Please contact Jared Yoshiki via email: jaredyoshiki@me.com or 916 761-3519 and RSVP. We have rented two 15 person vans and we do have room for you. We will meet at Ben Ali, 3262 Marysville Blvd., Sacramento, Ca between 8:00 & 8:30 AM.

September will also be a busy month for our third degree ritualists. We have scheduled two third degrees for the month. As you all know, the 3rd Degree has lots of moving parts and is ALWAYS better when there are a lot of participants. Come and welcome our candidates and participate. We can always use your help and the candidate is entitled to see his brothers at the lodge. I know the Officers have been practicing diligently to make these degrees memorable for the candidate, come home and see them exemplify this beautiful degree.

October will be here sooner than later and Annual Communication will bring about changes to our ritual and other practices of which we are all familiar. Please go to:

https://www.freemason.org/memberCenter/secured/forms.htm

and click on 167 Annual Communication. Read the proposed legislation and Grand Master's Recommendations. **YOU** need to tell the Master, Senior and/or Junior Wardens what **YOU** want to happen to each of those issues. If **YOU** don't, then we will make those decisions for **YOU**! Please, contact each of us, singularly or as a group and tell us how **YOU** want us to vote. Or forever hold you peace! Please do not give up **YOUR** right to change/improve or hold fast to those rituals we hold close in our ancient and honorable fraternity.

I am interested in hearing from any brother who is interested in joining the officer's line in 2017. You will set the tone and future of the lodge for years to come. There are some openings and we can always use your help during degrees and at least get your feet wet so you can decide if it is something you might really want to do. It is a lot of work, but it is VERY rewarding. Please call me at: 916 425-6112 or email me at wln20sw@gmail.com.



From the South

Luis I Montero, Ir. Warden



During the month of August, there was not much activity in the lodge as we were dark this month. But, our officers have been diligently at work behind the scenes preparing for the third degree. All Master Masons are encouraged to participate in the degree conferral and it is encouraged for your development as a mason. The performing of the work truly displays how Masons best work and best agree. One of those many examples in our officer line is our Senior and Junior Deacons. As we observe them step up and show how we come together to the call of duty to our ancient and honorable lodge. Thank you to all our officers for their hard work and dedication. Our Constitutional Observance will be Sept. 29th. This is a time where we, as Masons, pay our respects to our country and the veterans who serve and protect this beautiful country of ours. We enjoy a hearty debate from two professional candidates on issues being dealt with today and possibly in the future. It also gives us an opportunity to invite the youth groups and support them on their road to success, and, lastly the Boy Scouts of America with the reciting of the Constitution. This will certainly a night for everyone to see. Bring your friends, loved ones for a memorable celebration.

DEACON

Despite the fact that the bloom has been rubbed off by our slangy use of it, this is one of the most beautiful words in our language. In Greek, diakonos was a servant, a messenger, a waiting man. In the early Christian Church a deacon served at the Lord's Supper and administered alms to the poor; and the word still most frequently refers to such a church officer. It appears that the two Lodge offices of Senior and Junior Deacon were patterned on the church offices.

In every Symbolic Lodge, there are two officers who are called the Senior and Junior Deacons. In America the former has been appointed by the Master and the latter by the Senior Warden, both have been elected according to the respective Codes of the Jurisdictions, Pennsylvania, for example, has the Deacons appointed, Ohio has them elected; in England both are appointed by the Master. It is to the Deacons that the introduction of visitors should be properly entrusted. Their duties comprehend, also, a general surveillance over the security of the Lodge, and they are the proxies of the officers by whom they are appointed Hence their jewel, in allusion to the necessity of circumspection and justice is a square and compasses. In the center, the Senior Deacon wears a sun, and the Junior Deacon a moon, which serve to distinguish their respective ranks. In the English system, the jewel of the Deacons is a dove, in allusion to the dove sent forth by Noah. In the Rite of Mizraim the Deacons are called acolytes.

The office off Deacons in Freemasonry appears to have been derived from the usage's of the primitive church. In the Greek church, the Deacons were always the wvxwpoi, the pylori or doorkeepers, and in the Apostolica Constitutions the Deacon was ordered to stand at the men's door, and the Subdeacon at the women's, to see that none came in or went out during the oblation In the earliest rituals of the eighteenth century, there is no mention of' Deacons, and the duties of those officers were discharged partly by the Junior Warden and partly by the Senior and Junior Entered Apprentices, and they were not generally adopted in England until the Union of 1813. Brother W,J. Chetwode Crawley has some comments upon the subject in Caementaria Hibernica (Fasciculus i, pages 9-10). He advises that:

"We must carefully distinguish between the Deacon of the early Scottish Minute Books, and the Deacon of Irish ritual. The former occupied almost, if not altogether, the highest post among his Brethren, and having precedence over the Warden and presiding over the meeting when occasion required. The latter corresponded to the Dean-that is Deacon-of Faculty; the latter to the lost order of the Ministry, the Deacon in Ecclesiastical parlance. The similarity does not go beyond the name.

The appointing of Deacons served in latter days, as a distinction between Irish and English work, for the Lodges under the Constitution of the Ancient naturally followed the Irish use. It must be observed that the office of Deacon was confined to supporting Lodges. During the first one hundred and twenty years of its existence, the Grand Lodge of Ireland never elected Grand Deacons . When their services were required they were selected for the occasion from the Masters then present. Their first appearance as prominent Grand Officers is in the addition of the Irish Constitutions, promulgated in 1850, though thirty-seven years previously the United Grand Lodge of England had adopted the office, in deference to the usage of the Ancient.

Source: Mackey's Encyclopedia of Freemasonry

Source: 100 Words in Masonry

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Stated Meeting September 1, 2016

5:00 PM Social 6:00 PM Dinner 7:00 PM Stated Meeting

RSVP by August 30, 2016 at 6:00PM (888) 828-4476 "Waste Not, Want Not"

September Schedule

September 1 - Stated Meeting

September 7 - Education & Fellowship

September 8 - Officers' practice

September 10 - Open Air Degree, Union City

September 15 - 3rd Degree, Cummings

September 22 - 3rd Degree, Lara

September 27 - OSI

September 29 - Constitution Observance



Looking Ahead

October 6 - Stated Meeting

October 7-9 Annual Communication

October 12 - Education & Fellowship

October 13 - 16 Grand Chapter

October 20 - TBD

October 25 - OSI

October 27 - TBD/Dark

www.freemason.org/memberCenter/ secured/forms.htm The Masons of California are teaming up with the San Francisco Giants, Los Angeles Dodgers, and the San Diego Padres to bring the fun of baseball to more kids. Each region is facing off in friendly competition to help the most kids they can, through each MLB team's foundation. The team from each region that funds the greatest number of baseball mitts will publicly present their check, along with the grand master, on Masons Night at the ballpark in AT&T Park in San Francisco, Dodger Stadium in Los Angeles, and Petco Park in San Diego.

Join us for Masons Night

San Francisco at AT&T Park on Wednesday, September 28
Los Angeles Dodger Stadium on Monday, September 19

San Diego, Petco Park on Thursday, September 22

For more information on purchasing tickets, contact your lodge secretary, or email Joshua Castro at

jcastro@freemason.org.

Washington Lodge #20

Mission Statement

To practice and promote a way of life that binds like-minded men in a worldwide brotherhood that transcends all religious, ethnic, cultural, social and educational differences. Through Masonic principles and tradition and by the outward expression of these through its fellowship and compassion, Washington Lodge No.20 F.&A.M. provides ways in which to serve God, family, country, neighbors and self in an environment that contributes to the enrichment and betterment of its members, mankind, and its communities.



Open Air Degree

Location: 34400 Mission Boulevard, Union City, CA 94587

When: September 10, 2016

Transportation: We are taking 2 vans with total seating for 30.

Get your reservations in, Seats will go quickly

(Meet at Starbucks parking lot 3511 Truxel Road, Sacramento, Ca 95834)

Cost: \$15 for lunch.

We are going to Union City to perform an open air First Degree, enjoy a barbeque and get a tour of the wonderful facilities. We will enjoy a hamburgers and hotdogs barbeque.

PLEASE RSVP to Brother Jared Yoshiki at: jaredyoshiki@me.com or 916-761-3519

Reserve a spot in the van, otherwise plan on driving yourself or forming a carpool.

Wives/partners are welcome to enjoy the tour and barbeque for \$15.



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1123 & Street Sacramento. Ca 95814



Date: 11/5/2016

Time: 5:30 PM

Annual Ladies Night

ABlack & White Affair



Big Band Era Music

by Chance



Dinner Menu

Appetizer

Toup

Salad

Entre

Cheese crackers and antipasto Potato Leek

Gaesar Salad Roasted Tri-Tip Chicken Picatta

Chocolate Cake and Coffee

Please make your reservations early, \$40.00 per person, \$50.00 at the door. Member's wives and widows Free

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Constitutional Observance Day September 29, 2016 @ 6:00 PM



On September 29th, we will have a special program to honor the United States Constitution. This founding document provides our freedom and premier status in the world and throughout all time. It deserves our regular and continued attention. Of particular interest is the separation of powers, and the ongoing role of the Judiciary as it affects our daily lives. We are blessed with a Federal Judge as one of our members – Morrison England. He has addressed our gatherings before and will do so again on Thursday the 29th. His talks are always illuminating and, in this election year, of importance as we go forward to choose our new leaders on a local, state and national level. Please plan to attend – dinner is provided by the Lodge at no cost to you. Bring friends and family, but be sure to RSVP to Luis Montero (916) 804-4130 by the 26th. Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm. No tickets available at the door, so RSVP is a must.

After dinner, the Judge will speak for 15-30 minutes, and then we will ask him to handle a few questions. If you have questions you would like Judge Morrison to respond to, please submit them to me before the 26th, and I will share them with him ahead of time. Avoid politically loaded questions, in keeping with our general prohibition on talking about religion and politics!

Phil Hardiman, Chairman