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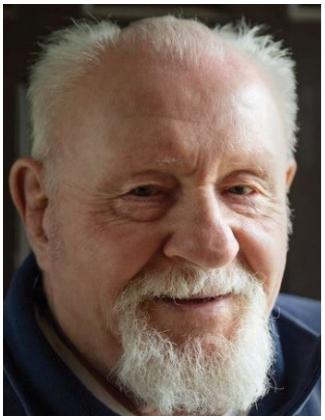
From the East: Wor. Luis J. Montero

The season is already on us and we are looking forward to a very busy year for our Lodge. Last month, the Officers met at the Masonic Temple for a very productive planning session and we are all committed to make 2018 a memorable year.

On February 10th, we will have our Ladies Luncheon in the Club Room. Latin cuisine, comedy show, karaoke hour... and more! The fun starts at noon. Complimentary lunch for our ladies and guests. Please mark your calendars.

On the 22nd, we will have a Third Degree Ceremony for Brother **Nick Johnston** as part of our annual Past Masters Night. This is traditionally one of the most fun nights of the year. Don't miss it!

We will need the support from each and everyone to make these events a success. Your continued and active participation makes for an engaging and enjoyable year. If there is anything I've learned in my masonic journey is that Freemasonry really is whatever you make of it. The more you participate the more you learn; the more you grow in your personal life; the more you progress in your professional life.



One of the greatest examples of a true Masonic Life was given by our beloved Worshipful **Ray Wilfred Lenau**. On January 7, 2018, surrounded by family and friends, he peacefully passed from his earthly work. He was one of the few members of our Lodge who attained the distinguished Golden Veterans Award and 50 Year as Past Master. He was initiated on June 14, 1956 and raised on January 17, 1957. He was a Hiram Award holder, Grand Master Circle Donor, and Master of Washington Lodge No. 20 in the masonic year of 1967. As his Celebration of Life is scheduled for Sunday, February 4th at 1pm at the Scottish Rite Masonic Center (6151 H Street, Sacramento), it would be a great show of Brotherly Love if we could all make ourselves available to attend his Masonic Memorial Service in full force.

I would like to congratulate Brother **Wesley Jackson** on being raised to the sublime Degree of Master Mason on January 25th. May your journey in Masonry be full of Light.

A bit of Masonic Light

Anno Lucis is Latin for "Year of Light." You will also see it abbreviated as "A.L." It is used as a calendar system within the Freemason fraternity. The masonic calendar system adds 4000 years to the current year.

Year of Light refers to the biblical account of the creation of the universe wherein God spoke and said: "Let there be light,...and there was light." (Genesis 1:3)

Hebrew Calendar: Based upon the Torah and other rabbinical works, the Hebrew Calendar establishes the date of the earth's creation by adding 3761 years (after Rosh Hashanah in the Fall) to the current year.

Circa Mid 1500s, James Usscher established the date of the earth's creation as 4004 B.C., thus adding 4004 years to the current year.

From the West

Bro. Jesse Solis-Jacques · Senior Warden

Brethren, we would like to congratulate the raising of Brother **Wesley Jackson** to the sublime degree of Master Mason. It is an honor to have him as part of our Fraternity. We look forward for many future Masons to perform the same.

I would like to challenge a thought of what do you define as a Hero? There are many in disguise among us but only a few show themselves to be known. I want to share a couple stories below where a Mason displayed heroism toward another brother and their families in distress or time in need.

In 1999, **Ricardo Parente**, Junior Warden of North Shore Lodge No. 277 F.& A.M. in Hialeah, Florida, received a call from his son that his car stalled in the middle of the road. He decided to skip the stated meeting to respond to his son's aid. As he arrived to the scene and pulled up behind his son's car, an unexpected driver in a truck flashed his headlights and pulled alongside the road behind them. A man stepped out of his vehicle and said, "Who is the traveling man?" Both father and son felt a sense of relief by such a comforting voice. The unexpected driver was a young man who was newly raised in a Prince Hall lodge. He tended to their aid for almost an hour until his son's car issue was resolved. Both the Junior Warden and his son thanked him for his assistance and sent their regards to his Worshipful Master. Although, in Florida, they were not permitted to communicate with Prince Hall Masons, since then, however, they have always considered him to be a worthy brother.

A paramedic, **Dave Brest**, Past Master of LaGrange Lodge #399 F.&A.M. in Ohio, responded to a call at a house where a 2-year-old toddler had pulled an electrical cord of a boiling pot of bean soup. The boiled bean soup caused devastating burns over his entire body. He called for medical transport by helicopter immediately. He was certain the child would not survive. At the time, the paramedic was a Past Master and two months have passed since the incident. He later discovered that the child had survived and was hospitalized in Cleveland. He met with the mother, who was without insurance and in financial hardship and he described what the Shrine Hospital Program can do for her child. The Cincinnati Shrine hospital treated and supervised the child's medical care and skin grafts as the child grew. In addition, one of their Brothers of their Blue Lodge was a professional auctioneer and their lodge decided to organize an auction that raised $12,000 to assist her with any financial hardships.

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Washington Lodge No. 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.

From the South

Bro. Jared Yoshiki · Junior Warden

As we move into the month of February, we continue to hope for a speedy recovery for Worshipful **Victor Sanchez**, who is still in the Hospital. Most recent updates are that he has been transferred to Room 605 at the Gramercy Court Rehabilitation Center, and seems to be coming around each day. No visitors yet, though.

We also lost Worshipful **Ray Lenau** to the Celestial Lodge above and hope that we can make every effort to attend his Memorial Service at the Scottish Rite Masonic Center on February 4th. On a more pleasant note, we raised Brother **Wesley Jackson** to the sublime degree of Master Mason, as he continues his masonic journey. We look forward to potentially another Third Degree this month for Brother **Nick Johnston**. We also have a few lodge events coming up, the first being the Ladies Luncheon on February 10th where Brother **Jesse Solis-Jacques** has put together a fun event for us to celebrate our ladies and hope that you can bring yours along for some karaoke and comedy show.

An exciting event is coming up in May, when we will be welcoming **Liberty Lodge No. 299 F.&A.M.** from Santa Clara to conduct a joint Third Degree at the Sacramento Masonic Temple. All Master Masons are cordially invited to attend. Also, starting in March, we will be having the first of several Fellowship Nights. These will be social events that are meant to bring us together as friends and brothers, whether it is over some bowling or even a familial event like sitting out on the lawn at Raley's Field for a baseball game. More details for these events should be forthcoming on Facebook or through the Lodge App, so stay tuned.

I want to leave you with something, which we should all be mindful of when it comes to our Fraternity and the success of our lodge – **Brotherly Love**. Throughout our ceremonies, we are constantly reminded of the duty we hold to our brothers. But one lesson may often get lost in the fray and that is that we are a group of friends and brothers united from different backgrounds, opinions, faiths, and cultures. But by joining freemasonry we have come together for a noble purpose to establish true friendships. Had it been otherwise, we might otherwise have remained at a perpetual distance.

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Stated Meeting • February 1st, 2018

5:00 PM Social Hour
6:00 PM Dinner
7:30 PM Stated Meeting

RSVP by calling
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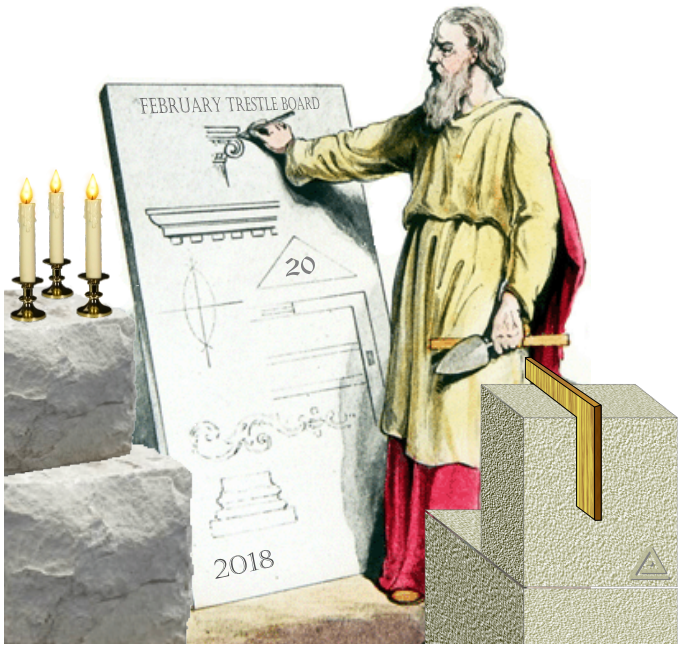
February Schedule

01 • Stated Meeting and Dinner
(2nd Degree Proficiency - Bro. Nick Johnston)
08 • Officers Practice (7pm-9pm)
10 • Ladies Luncheon (12pm-2pm)
15 • Degree (TBD)
21 • OSI - Officers School of Instruction
22 • Past Masters Night - 3rd Degree
(Bro. Nick Johnston)

February 22, 1732
George Washington was born
First President of the United States



Looking Ahead
March

01 • Stated Meeting and Dinner
06 • Fellowship Night
08 • Degree or Practice (TBD)
15 • Degree or Practice (TBD)
21 • OSI - Officers School of Instruction
22 • DARK
29 • Degree or Practice (TBD)

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In closing brethren, these are only a couple of examples which make a difference in our world and for many of us, a true hero does not always wear a cape or mask. Self-sacrifice is the mark of an honorable hero and one will never understand this feeling until they are faced with a difficult decision to put others first before themselves in the most unconditional and honest manner—without regrets. It is my sincere belief that Masons around the globe have this passion to care for others and continue to express this example and show the world what being a hero really means. In your travels brethren, remember this: it's not a bird…it's not a plane…it's a True Brother!

Fun Facts for the month of February:

- February 7, 1981: The Grand Lodge of Alaska was organized.
- February 9, 1909: President **Harry S. Truman** received his 1st degree in Belton Lodge# 450 in Missouri.
- February 11, 1988: President **Ronald Reagan** met with the Grand Master, who presented him with a certificate and the Scottish Rite and Shrine made him an honorary member of those bodies.
- February 18, 1909: President **William Howard Taft** received his 1st degree in Kilwinning Lodge #356, Cincinnati, Ohio.
- February 19, 1811: Grand Lodge of District of Columbia was formed in Washington D.C.
- February 22, 1732: **George Washington** was born.
- February 23, 1887: Sir **Arthur Conan Doyle** (author of Sherlock Holmes) received his 2nd Degree.
- February 24, 1853: Grand Lodge of Minnesota was formed.
- Not in February, however, but on March 3. 1753:
  George Washington received his Fellow Craft Degree in Fredericksburg Lodge in Virginia.

Birthdays - February

03 • Joseph Dongo	PM
03 • Matthew Doll	EA
05 • George Jamison	MM
07 • William Dillon	MM
08 • John Ansell	PM
08 • Richard Redmond	MM
10 • Bradley Mitchell	MM
11 • Ala Sweidan	EA
12 • Henry Tatian	MM
13 • David William Cameron	MM
13 • William David Cameron	MM
14 • Barry Callister	MM
17 • Wally Clark	MM
17 • Garth Tanner	MM
18 • Phil Hardiman	PM
18 • Craig Spilman	MM
19 • Edwin Douthit	MM
19 • Ryan Gooch	FC
19 • Eric Hardiman	MM
23 • Cory Divelbiss	EA
27 • Dallas Calmes	MM
27 • Bob Taylor	MM

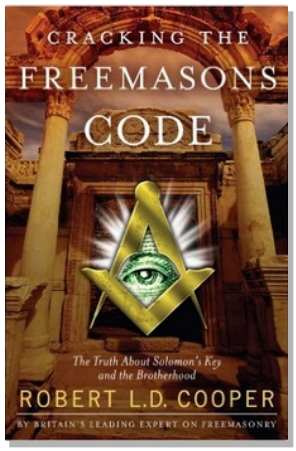
Master Mason Anniversary Dates February

11 • Michael McGlone	30 Years
16 • Michael Allen	1 Year
19 • Charles Byrd	3 Years
19 • Joe Hammer	65 Years
20 • Carlos Brusel-Casals	4 Years
20 • Leroy Dew	43 Years
20 • Douglas Pope	49 Years
21 • Paul McNamee	5 Years
22 • Richard Pullen PM	17 Years
23 • David William Cameron	6 Years
23 • Gerald Singer	34 Years
23 • James Smith	58 Years
24 • David Cameron PM	13 Years
25 • Douglas Arrington	36 Years
25 • Victor Novak	19 Years
25 • Eric Owen	30 Years
26 • Cyril Shah	20 Years
27 • David Entrican PM	56 Years
28 • James Hughey	16 Years

Your Next Read

Book of the Month

CRACKING THE FREEMASONS CODE
The Truth About Solomon's Key and the Brotherhood



Prompted by mounting public interest and provoked by controversial stories on the Freemason Society, respected historian and Scottish Freemason **Robert L.D. Cooper** offers a rare inside look at the masonic brotherhood. As curator of the Scottish Masonic Museum and Library, the author has unparalleled access to material dictating the history and function of the Masons.

In Cracking the Freemasons Code, Cooper explains the structure of the Masonic interculture, its connections to covert organizations, the identities of historical Masonic members – who include George Washington and Benjamin Franklin, the locations of famous Masonic sites, and much more.

Readers will discover the true role Freemasonry has played throughout history, its purposes, the functions of its many members, and the way in which it has helped shape our modern society. Laying out the symbolism, beliefs, and ethos of a Mason, Cooper addresses the considerable amounts of controversy surrounding those practices.

For additional recommended titles, visit:
www.washingtonlodge20.org/books

Third Degree
Brother Wesley Jackson
January 25

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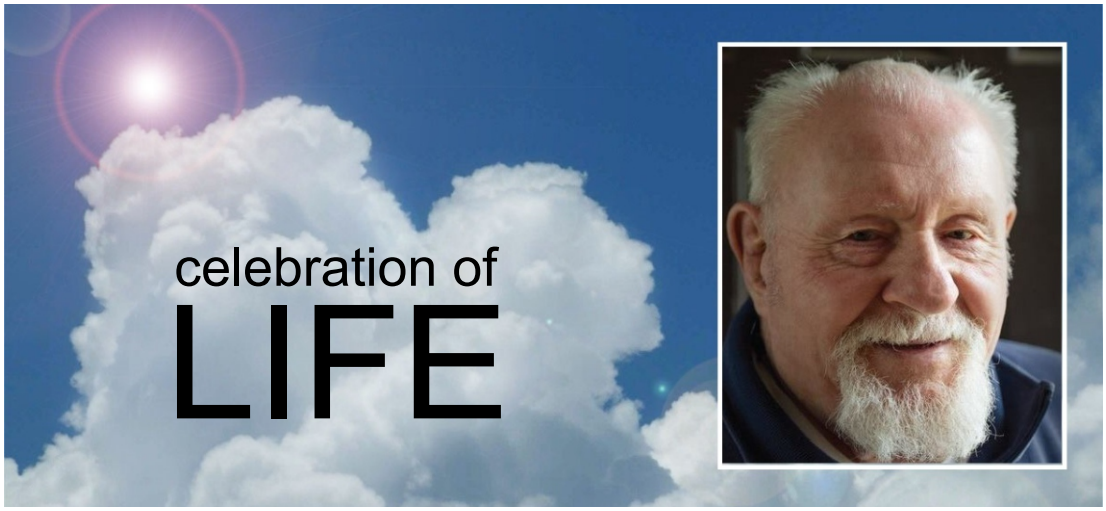
"You can't get very far until you start doing something for somebody else."

Brother Melvin Jones
Co-Founder of the Lions Clubs International



Ray Wilfred Lenau (1930 - 2018)

Ray W. Lenau joined his wife Janet in the House of the Lord on January 7, 2018. Surrounded by family he peacefully passed from his earthly work. Born in Berkeley CA, November 28, 1930. He travelled the world as a young man in the family of a career Air Force father. He proudly served in the Air Force during the Korean conflict. Upon leaving the Air Force he returned to Sacramento where he served as the President of the Student Body at Sacramento City College. There, he met and married his wife Janet of 59 years.

Survived by his four children Jim (Lan), Bob, Burnie (Anna) and Jeanne (Ron), 7 Grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren.

A career civil servant, he was most proud of his tenure as Supervisor of the Legislative Bill Room where he proudly served for over 20 years.

A 32nd degree Mason, he was a proud member of Washington #20 Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons and later Bicentennial Daylight Lodge #830. He served as Worshipful Master of Washington Lodge in 1967. He was a recipient of the Hiram Award, the highest honor for a California Mason, for his service to the fraternity.

A member of the Ben Ali Shrine and Scottish Rite lodge. He was most proud of being a member of the Transportation team for the Shriners Hospital for Children in Sacramento. As his eyesight failed him and he was no longer able to drive, he doubled his efforts as a member of the Degree team that traveled the state performing the masonic degrees. He kept active with his Masonic work until shortly before his passing.

He was also extremely active in Arden Little League, and District 5. He served as a coach, as a member of the board, and many will recall that he was the voice of District 5 baseball and post season for many years.

A celebration of life will be held at the Scottish Rite Masonic Center on 6151 H St. 2018 on 4, February at 1 pm. In lieu of flowers, it was Ray's desire that those wishing to make a donation do so to the Shriners Hospital for Children or Scottish Rite Language Center.

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Wor. John Knox, PM, will serve as Funeral Master for the Masonic Service at the Scottish Rite Masonic Center. The service is expected to be well attended, so plan accordingly (carpool, arrive early, etc.). Please share this information. Thank you.

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