



TRESTLEBOARD

NEWSLETTER OF WASHINGTON LODGE No. 20.

December 2008

To Make Good Men Better

OUR 156th YEAR



From the East

Richard Pullen, Master



Secretary's Desk

Jon Isaacson, PM

Installation of Officers

December 7th - 2 PM

Masonic Temple
12th and J Street, Sacramento, CA

THIS IS MY INVITATION TO ALL BROTHERS AND THEIR FAMILIES, WIDOWS AND ALL OTHERS

Officers to be installed are:

Master	Richard Pullen
Sr Warden	Joseph Dongo
Jr Warden	(vacant)
Treasurer	Wor. Eric Hixson, PM
Secretary	Wor. Jon Isaacson, PM
Chaplain	Jed VanWagner
Sr Deacon	Michael Quinn
Jr Deacon	to be appointed
Marshall	to be appointed
Sr Steward	to be appointed
Jr Steward	to be appointed
Tiler	Floyd Tritt

David Cameron will be appointed to a position when I have heard from other brothers with whom I have spoken.

I have reappointed myself and David Freeman to the Cemetery Board. Temple Board representatives are yet to be appointed. Wor. Eric Hixson has accepted appointment as Officers Coach.

Separate invitations will not be mailed because of the short time. I hope you are able to attend the Installation of Officers. A reception will be immediately following.

Fraternally,
Richard

Stated Meeting Dinner December 4, 2008

*Are you still stuffed from Thanksgiving?
Not to worry!*

It's Pizza Night

Chopped Green salad
A variety of fresh baked Pizzas
Biscotti & Coffee

Social Hour 5:15 PM, Dinner 6:15 PM
Stated Meeting 7:30 PM
Reservations Requested 422-9108

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- Joseph K. Barnes - 12/4/1937
- Robert M. Born - 12/11/1933
- Norman C. Chapman - 12/5/1921
- Daniel J. Dailey - 12/7/1958
- Leroy Dew - 12/13/1932
- Gilbert E. Friesen - 12/22/1921
- Salvatore F. Funari - 12/23/1929
- Karl E. Gresehover - 12/7/1955
- Edward J. Hardiman - 12/12/1963
- Stephen Michalski - 12/25/1950
- Dwight L. Norris - 12/25/1929
- Jack C. Penny - 12/26/1926
- Pedro Perez - 12/28/1936
- John D. Pulliam - 12/17/1971
- Frederick W. Ranke - 12/5/1917
- Stanley D. Sanders - 12/21/1953
- Cyril A. Shah - 12/2/1974
- Carl W. Towne, Jr. - 12/6/1921
- Floyd R. Tritt - 12/24/1935
- Gerald W. Van Wagner, Jr. - 12/13/1957
- Jerry D. Vayder - 12/25/1928

2009 Lodge Activities

The officers met recently to sketch out a program for the coming year. The most important activity to Masons being eating, I am very, very happy to announce that Wally Clark and Gary Disher are willing to sling hash again this year.

January	Roll Call and Crab Feed
February	Past Masters Night - Sweethearts Theme Possible Second Degree
March	Corned Beef and Cabbage Ladies Luncheon (tbd)
April	Youth Orders Night, honoring Masonic youth. Possible potluck (If the youth wish to participate they won't be asked to bring entrees—just desserts will be fine).
May	Mexican or Mexican Theme
June	Masonic Information Night
July	Potluck
August	Hot August Nights Theme Family Picnic if there is interest (officers will grill)
September	Constitution Observance
October	Ladies Night
November	Veterans and military theme to be decided
December	Open to suggestions.

This is all tentative, subject to change.
Suggestions and Participation Welcome

The 2008 Washington Lodge Officers

Richard A. Pullen.....Master
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 Andrew Wilson..... Senior Warden
 Junior Warden
 Eric Hixson, P.M..... Treasurer
 Jon Isaacson, P.M..... Secretary
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 Jed VanWagner..... Chaplain
 David Cameron.....Senior Deacon
 Jerry Livingston-Joy.....Junior Deacon
 Lance Vayder.....Senior Steward
 Kelvin Mark.....Junior Steward
 Michael Quinn..... Marshal
 Floyd Tritt..... Tiler
 Eric Hixson, P.M..... Officers Coach
 Ray W. Lenau, P.M..... Officers Coach Emeritus
 Richard Wilson.....Inspector District 246

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From the Editors Desk



Wally Clark

Greetings Brethren, one thing is consistent around the lodge, there is always something happening and or changing. As you can see from Worshipful Richard's message, he is serving a 2nd term as Master to fill an unplanned vacancy. My hat is off to Richard and thank him for his dedicated service. It is now time for all of us who can to step up and support the lodge in whatever way we individually can.

Here are some of the needs, first their are vacancies in the line waiting for those who have the time and enjoy the ritual. Second we need coaches to assist the Entered Apprentices and Fellowcraft's in learning their work. Third, we need assistance with the dinners. If we could get a group of volunteers to assist with the setup, serving and bussing we could get away from the buffets. Hmmm, here's a thought. Maybe we can get the Entered Apprentices and Fellowcrafts to handle the serving duties at the Stated Meeting Dinners and then get someone to coach them while the meeting is going on.

Congratulations to Brother David Cameron who was presented the Hiram Award at Ladies Night. David was also the Chairman of Ladies Night which from all reports was super. Following is his report.

Brothers and Friends,

I would like to thank all of you for attending last night's Ladies Night. I think everyone had a great time. My wife and all of the other volunteers did a fantastic job. The Prime Rib was perfect. Overall I hope it was a very successful evening. Thank you to all who played a role in the Murder Mystery. Mrs. Kitty acted extremely well, and was quite convincing as the grieving Widow. Brother Mark was the glue that held it all together. DeMolay did a fine job on the Light presentation, and Jobs Daughters did a fantastic job of serving and clearing. I'll make a motion Thursday to support their respective Organizations. We saved over 3500.00 bringing it back to the Lodge.

I would personally like to thank all the Brothers that brought Widows to the event. Thank you.

Lastly, and what has been weighing heavy on my mind, is the award. I would like to thank everyone, from the gentlemen who examined me before allowing me to join. The other lodges for making me feel like family from the first day. Wors.Doug Sleeper, Eric Hixson, Jon Isaacson, and Dick Pullen, and all who serve as mentors and role models. Without one man however, I would have never proceeded as far as I have in Masonry. Ray Lenau is my support, my rock, and my best friend. He helped me find confidence to overcome many things which have haunted me all my life. Without Ray as my coach I may not have stayed in Masonry. Many days I was frustrated with the work, having trouble "getting it right". But Ray has patience and love; he also has a firm and powerful grip to tell you when you did something wrong. Every member of Washington Lodge has treated me like family, and I am thankful. Am I deserving of the Hiram award? if you say so. I feel I have yet to fulfill the requirements of such an honor. I feel I have many years of carrying water left, until I am worthy, to stand with the other recipients. Thank you for making last night so memorable to my family and myself. I am grateful to have all of you as Friends and Brothers.

Thank you.

Brother David Cameron

Rumor has it that Eric Hixson, PM and Doug Sleeper, PM will be assisting in the kitchen on a regular basis. Oh, and please start making resevatons as it makes a big difference on planning.

The idea of a Lodge Picnic next summer might be a lot of fun. There are a number of parks in the city that work well for those activities, one being East Portal Park at 51st and M Street. It has a number of picnic areas, a nice playground for the little kids and plenty of open space for other games.

I wish you a Happy and Healthy Holiday Season and look forward to seeing you at the December Stated Meeting Dinner.

Cheers,

Wally

Ladies Night 2008



da mob ruled
and a fun time was had by all.