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Bridge to the Future

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From the East: Wor. Jared Yoshiki



Happy New Year Brothers! I hope all of you had a wonderful holiday season with your families and loved ones and that you received everything you wanted on your wish list.

I can't tell you how great it was to see many of you at Installation this past month where we installed several of your Brothers as Officers of this Lodge. It was truly an amazing experience to see the Grand Master preside over the ceremony and I was very thankful that he was able to be a part of this occasion as we begin a new journey into a new century. To commemorate this moment, I was proud to present an engraved gold pan to Most Worshipful **Trauner** on behalf of our Lodge in token of our appreciation.

Your newly installed Officers are already hitting the ground running to make 2020 an amazing year. Efforts are underway to update our membership rosters to ensure we have the most up to date contact information. We are creating new innovations that make it easier to RSVP for Stated Meeting dinners and any of our other Lodge events. We will also be looking at adopting a sister lodge and welcoming back brothers who haven't paid dues in awhile. Finally, we will be undertaking a process to innovate how this very Trestle Board is delivered to you so that we can make it easier without disturbing its availability to keep you informed.



Being informed of what is happening in your Lodge is something I truly take to heart. It is my duty as a steward of this chair to be transparent in what your Officers and I undertake. As I said at Installation, I believe that the more opportunities we have to bring families and Brothers together is important. It is why I have chosen the theme "Bridge to the Future." Many of the evolutions that are underway are merely a rethinking of our customs and traditions that allow both young and old to have the same enriching experience without sacrificing who we are.

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As we kick off this new century of our Lodge, I harken back to a Trestle Board article from a few months ago where I ended with a stanza of the Walt Whitman poem "O me, O Life?" It ended with the phrase "What will your verse be?" As dependence is one of the strongest bonds of society, mankind was made dependent on one another for protection and security, as they thereby enjoy better opportunities of fulfilling the duties of reciprocal love and friendship.

I am truly honored to have the privilege of sharing with you this unique moment where we get to write that verse together.





From the West

Bro. Francisco Marques · Senior Warden



From South to West

I would like to congratulate Worshipful **Jared David Masao Yoshiki** on being elected as Master of Washington Lodge No. 20, as well as salute all elected and appointed Officers for the Masonic Year of 6020 Anno Lucis (“in the Year of Light”). There is a level of renewed excitement and we have many things in the works for the New Year.

Thank you everyone who attended our Annual Installation of Officers on Sunday, December 15th. We had close to a full house in the Lodge Room and delicious food was served in the elegant Ballroom of the Temple.

I also want to thank you all for electing me your Senior Warden. I feel I am leaving the South in the very capable hands of Brother **Russell Cono Tomas**, our New Junior Warden. Moving to the West, I take pleasure in the opportunity of supporting Worshipful Yoshiki in the Oriental Chair, as he continues our many fine traditions and also presents the Lodge with great innovations, helping us build our Bridge to the Future.

As I was being invested with the jewel of my new office, I paid special attention to the words of our Installing Officer, Most Worshipful **John Edward Trauner**, Grand Master of Masons in California, who reminded us that “the Level demonstrates that we are descended from the same stock, that we partake of the same nature, and share the same hope.” That special moment struck a chord with me... and I remembered: HOPE is what brought me here and this was not the first time I moved from the South to the West.

Twenty-two years ago, I made the decision to relocate from Brazil (South) to California (West). The idea of leaving behind my family and my beloved community of Masonic Brothers and friends was tough, but I consider myself an adventurer at heart and the thrill of the unknown was stronger than the comfort zone.

My main objective was to learn English and embrace the American culture, so I moved to the Land of the Free with no real trestle board other than a strong desire to learn the language and improve myself. Reality, however, proved me quite naïve at first. When you move your life to the other side of the world, it is not prudent to expect everything to go as planned. I had to quickly learn to welcome imperfection and find stability in chaos. Things will not always work out the way we want but that is okay too. Perfection is not tangible, anyway.

Once I got rid of any expectations about how I wanted things to go, I opened myself up to a whole new set of experiences I might not have had otherwise. It is possible to find beauty in those warped moments and enjoy the ride, no matter how frustrating the journey might feel. But why am I sharing all this?

You see, as Officers ascend the chairs within the Lodge, they must also learn new parts of the ritual. Over the centuries, millions of Brothers have studied our rituals and lectures; however, like any other body of knowledge, until you begin in a step-by-step manner, brick by brick, the whole thing can look somewhat daunting and intimidating - very similar to traveling in foreign countries and learning new languages!

When most of us enter the Craft, we respectfully submit to the demands of membership and its unusual ritual without immediately reflecting upon its meaning. Few realize the historical, philosophical and spiritual dimensions of Masonic practices or what it may impart to an individual. I believe our ritual is by virtue of design meant to connect us to some quality deep within ourselves. Not all men are meant to be Officers but all Brethren are expected to improve themselves in Masonry and become better men, husbands, fathers and sons.

In 2020, my hope is that your desire to learn Masonic ritual, traditions and history will grow and flourish, and that you and your family will join us in the many events planned for your benefit this year. May the Great Architect of the Universe bless us all and provide us with a greater sense of purpose and pride in being Men of the Craft.





From the South

Bro. Russ Tomas • Junior Warden



Happy New Year! It's my first article as a Pillar Officer, so what am I supposed to talk about? Star Wars, of course! But let's start this out the right way.

Congratulations to Worshipful Jared Yoshiki! And congratulations to Brother Francisco Marques! It's going to be an awesome year. If what we discussed over the last few months over many a few drinks and meals is going to come to fruition, this will be a great year of change and fraternal brotherhood. The year of a "Bridge to the Future" is what I describe as fun and efficient. It's a streamlined calendar that both accommodates the needs of the Lodge AND the needs of the brothers. I have a lot to learn from the Worshipful Master in the East and Brother Senior Warden in the West, if I ever hope to gain the confidence of the brethren.

I also want to congratulate my fellow brother officers on their appointments! With your hard work and dedication to the Craft, we can make this year as easy as possible for Worshipful Yoshiki.

So how does Star Wars relate to Freemasonry? It's in the fandom. It's the expectations and differences in what we want out of it. If you talk to any Star Wars fan, you'll hear different answers as to what Star Wars means to them. To some, it's a space opera full of heroes and villains. To others, it's a story of family and growing up. Some just see it as science fiction full of blasters and cool ships. In the end, they are still fans (no matter how much they liked or hated the movies of the last few years). The same could be said of any brother Mason.

Some brothers joined out of interest in the esoteric part of Masonry. Some joined out of interest in the social aspect of a fraternal brotherhood. Some joined because they have family who are Masons or found out they had relatives who were part of a Lodge. Some joined out of curiosity and badgered their coworker about what Freemasonry is for a few years (Thank you, Brother Marshall!). There are so many reasons why a man would want to be made a Mason.

Once he becomes one, however, he dedicates himself to the three principle tenets of Freemasonry: Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth.

As Junior Warden, I look forward to the future of our Lodge and Masonry in general. Let's join together in embracing this new year of change. From the Worshipful Master in the East to the brothers sitting in the sidelines, we are all in this together.

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 Free & Accepted Masons 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.





Member Birthdays

01 • David F. Freeman	MM
01 • Scott J. Germer	MM
01 • Narinderpal S. Hundal	EA
01 • Jonathan S. McCartney	EA
06 • John W. Knox 	MM
07 • Kyle A. Campbell	MM
07 • Russell M. James	MM
08 • Frederick V. Hardiman 	MM
12 • Steven W. Anders	MM
13 • Nigel S. Martin	MM
14 • Allen R. Kramer	MM
14 • Derek D. Waterman	MM
17 • Sonny F. Stormes 	MM
18 • Michael A. Contreras	MM
22 • James R. Lash	MM
23 • Jerry B. Livingston-Joy	MM
24 • Joe K. Hammer	MM
24 • John M. Obregon	MM
25 • Richard L. Standley	EA
26 • David E. Entrican 	MM
27 • Jonathan A. Hunn-Broadnax	MM
31 • Patrick R. Field	EA
31 • Cornell Tindall	EA

MM Anniversary Dates

09 • Christopher J. Chatoian	7 Years
12 • Randal C. Brink	3 Years
16 • Alejandro Reynoso	6 Years
19 • William D. Cameron	8 Years
21 • Richard I. Findley	10 Years
22 • Morrison C. England	9 Years
22 • Ian M. Solis-Jacques	5 Years
25 • Eric R. Hardiman	23 Years
25 • Wesley E. Jackson	2 Years
28 • Zachary T. Gossell	10 Years
30 • Jonathan A. Brizuela	6 Years

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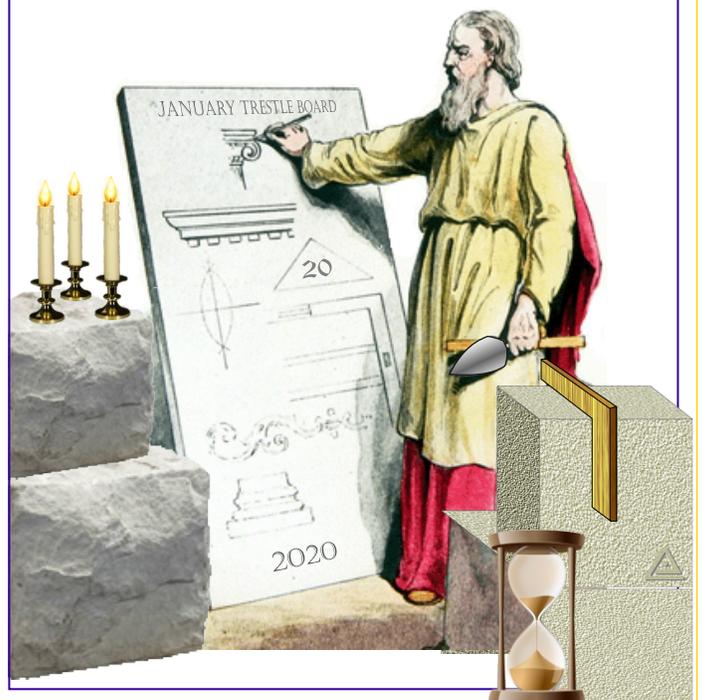
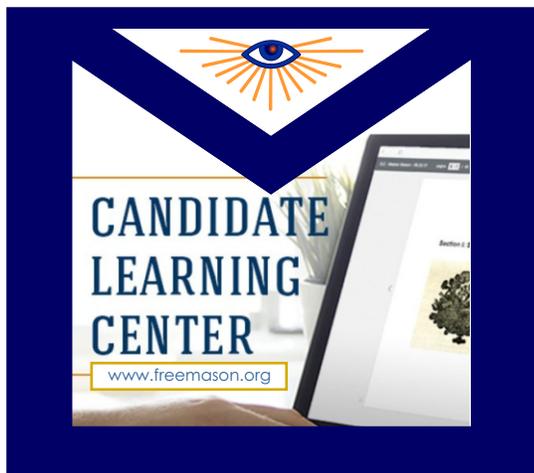


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Junior Deacon	Mauro Lara
Marshal	Creston Whiting-Casey
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Tiler	Floyd Tritt

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WLN20 CALENDAR

**HAPPY
NEW YEAR! 2020**

January

- THU 02** • Monthly Stated Meeting
Social Hour at Nine2Won 5 pm
Dinner at the Banquet Room 6pm
Meeting in Lodge Room One 7:30pm
- THU 09** • Officers Meeting / Practice 7pm
Topic TBD
- WED 15** • Officers School of Instruction 7pm
Topic TBD
- THU 16** • DARK
- THU 23** • Practice or Degree or DARK
TBD
- THU 30** • Roll Call Dinner 6pm
Banquet Room

February

- SUN 02** • Super Bowl Party 3pm
Club Room
- THU 06** • Monthly Stated Meeting
Social Hour at Nine2Won 5 pm
Dinner at the Banquet Room 6pm
Meeting in Lodge Room One 7:30pm
- THU 13** • Practice or Degree or DARK
TBD
- WED 19** • Officers School of Instruction 7pm
Topic TBD
- THU 20** • DARK
- THU 27** • Fellowship Night 7pm
Club Room

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Congratulations to our newly Installed Officers for 2020!

Please personally congratulate our Brothers
as they represent our Lodge with Honor and Respect.



We look forward to another wonderful Masonic Year,
and we sincerely thank and appreciate our Retiring Master
Jesse Solis-Jacques
for his leadership and guidance in 2019.

We accomplished a lot due to his vision and direction of the Lodge.





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