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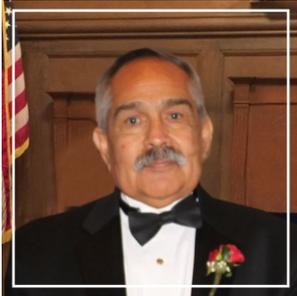
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From the East: Wor. Victor U. Sanchez



Greetings from the East... the eastern part of these United States, that is.

On June 14th, I left Sacramento on a journey to Atlanta, Georgia, to attend a national conference for a motorcycle club made up of retired and active Firefighters and Law Enforcement Officers. It was my hope to stop into a masonic lodge or two on the way, but unfortunately, time was not on our side and a few lodges I checked were dark.

However, I had time to reflect on a lot of things. When one spends a lot of time on the road and few distractions interfere with what is going on in the mind, reflection time takes over.

As I rode through the various parts of this great country of ours and witnessed firsthand what we have been blessed with; liberties, freedoms, land of plenty and no borders, it made me ponder how much we would miss if we were to lose just one of our freedoms. We bicker about almost everything and complain that we do not have what we need, while all we must do is appreciate what we have and the rest will fall into place.

My travels also made me reflect about the **Great Architect of the Universe** and how he has put everything in motion. Is it really He who organized everything and caused everything to function as it should?

Or, like some people believe, everything functions in the way science says it does. The Universe is because it is. It is not a planned event that causes the Universe to exist, it just happened. It is and it will end. Humans are the product of our environment and came to be because we evolved from a microcosm of events which led to our current existence. But, if you listen to some reports about human existence, we are finding that humans have existed longer than it was previously thought.



We cannot have it both ways, "it is what it is because it just happened" or "everything in the Universe is as it is because it was planned and created by a Supreme Being". Whatever your belief is, this IS a wonderful world we live in and we should each enjoy it while we can.

A number of events have taken place over the last months which have affected the line of Officers of this Lodge. Due to personal reasons, Brother **Colin Cooper** has decided to withdraw from the line and his duties herein. I wish Brother Cooper all the best and hope he finds that which he seeks. Colin's withdrawal has caused one opening within the line and several on certain committees.

I am filling the Officers' line and you will see some changes as we progress. As for the committees, I am looking for volunteers to serve on the following committees: Membership Retention, Lodge Trustee, and Temple Board, just to name a few. If anyone is interested in sitting on any of these committees, please contact me as soon as possible. Any assistance would be greatly appreciated. [\(Continued on Page 6\)](#)





From the West

Bro. Luis J. Montero · Senior Warden



I love the warm air of Sacramento in summertime. Feeling the sun's warm rays on your face, the sound of the ice cream truck in the background and the smiles of adults and children when they get their sweet delights. We get all giddy and warm inside. This brings out the child inside all of us to come out to play for a moment.

We are one with Nature. The glorious interlacing of Fellowship of Man with Nature, promoting the Fellowship of Man with Men, the mutual recognition of Brotherhood. This warmth of Brotherly Love, that gift of being with men that make you grow in ways you never experienced.

On that note, please welcome our newest Entered Apprentice, Brother **William Chen**, into our Fraternity and our Lodge. May you chart your Masonic journey with wisdom and humility, and may you experience the rewards which are yours to earn and receive.

Summertime will also bring us a few breaks. Please note there will be no **Officers School of Instruction** in July or August. Next OSI is scheduled for September, 20th starting 7pm sharp. OSI is not intended for Officers only. Any Master Mason who would like to learn more about the ritual and get to know fellow Brethren from other lodges is welcome to attend. There is always great fun, genuine fellowship, and lots of valuable lessons from our Inspector, Worshipful **Michael Woo**.

Phase II of the **Firefighters Burn Institute Dedication Memorial** was completed in June. I would like to thank all of the brothers, friends and family members who stepped up to help. Your time and efforts are greatly appreciated.

The final phase will soon be announced. We will lay the bricks to the memorial; place and set the bench; mount the plaque and smooth out some gravel. I look forward to seeing you all there.



Once that is completed, there will be an opening ceremony hosted by the Firefighters Burn Institute. It will be noted that this memorial was dedicated to the brave men who put their lives in harm's way for a living and **Washington Lodge No. 20** will be a part of their history from now on and for years to come.

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From the South

Bro. Jesse Solis-Jacques · Junior Warden



Happy Summer, Brethren! Summer is the time of year that the Northern Hemisphere is tilted closest to the sun. Throughout most of human history, it has also been a tradition for outdoor festivals, dancing, fertility, and social gatherings. In many cultures, summer has been believed to represent the highest point of masculine divinity. As we reflect on this intelligence, we must remind ourselves how important we are to each other. On this theme, we pay tribute to our **Independence Day**, 4th of July, a very special holiday not only celebrated in the U.S.

For example, the 4th of July is known as Republic Day in the **Philippines** to celebrate their Independence Day when they officially ceased to be a U.S. territory in 1946 and has also been recognized as Philippine Independence Day. The U.S. intentionally chose the 4th of July for the Philippines to correspond to its own Independence Day, however, this day was observed only until 1962. In 1964, the name of the July 4 holiday was changed to Republic Day in the Philippines.

The 4th of July is also an official holiday in **Rwanda** and is also known as Liberation Day, to commemorate the end of the 1994 Rwandan Genocide, in which, the U.S. government also played a role.

Lastly, the largest known 4th of July celebrations in the world is held at a national park in **Denmark**.

Every 4th of July, it is said that Denmark becomes the 51st State. They celebrate the birthday of the United States at the country's only national park at Rebild in Ålborg, northern Denmark, to honor and pay tribute in remembrance of over 500,000 Danish immigrants who migrated to the U.S. since the mid-1880's. The society wanted to donate a large area of land to the Danish government, then ruled by King Christian X, but with one condition - in honor of the nation (United States) that had welcomed 500,000 Danish immigrants.



The King also agreed that America's Fourth of July holiday must also be celebrated in Rebild every year, and made the area a National Park to stand as a symbol of the close friendship between the United States and Denmark. The "Star-Spangled Banner" is also sung on the Fourth of July in Rebild. In addition, in 1934, a large Lincoln-type log cabin was built as a memorial museum, to symbolize homes built in the United States by Danish immigrants. Each of America's then-48 states contributed a log.



“Fun” Fact:

The only two signatories of the **Declaration of Independence** to later become President were **John Adams** and **Thomas Jefferson**. Both died on July 4, 1826, exactly fifty years after the Declaration was signed.

Brethren, as we celebrate our Independence Day, please remember and cherish our freedoms humbly. Too many people take for granted what Freedom truly is or abuse their freedoms as well as the freedoms of others. It is our hope that many who are unable to enjoy these liberties will one day experience the same.

Be Kind, Be True, and Be Free. Happy Independence Day to Everyone and have a Safe Fourth of July!





Washington Lodge No. 20 2017 Officers

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Stated Meeting • July 6, 2017

5:00 PM Social Hour

6:00 PM Dinner

7:00 PM Stated Meeting

RSVP by Fourth of July at 6:00 PM



Looking Ahead - August

- 03 • Stated Meeting and Dinner
- 09 • Fellowship & Education Night
- 10 • DARK (Temple Open)
- 16 • OSI - DARK
- 17 • Practice or Degree (Temple Open)
- 24 • DARK (Temple Open)
- 31 • Practice or Degree (Temple Open)

Congratulations!



First Degree - Brother William Chen
June 8

Support Our Veterans Month

Grand Master **John Heisner** has declared July 2017 to be **Support Our Veterans Month** in California.

This important recognition of service members in our Masonic family and greater community is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate our veterans' patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.



We stand united in respect for our veterans.

ANSWER: WOR. DAVID HAROLD CAMERON, PM

Birthdays - July

05 • Richard Lacey	MM
06 • Christopher Hamilton	EA
07 • Jon Isaacson	PM
09 • Reynold Porterfield	PM
11 • Robert Cole	MM
11 • Christopher Webber	EA
13 • David Kelley	MM
13 • Todd Ravencroft	MM
15 • Mark Friesen	MM
17 • Andrew Wilson	MM
18 • Richard Golden	MM
18 • Wesley Jackson	EA
21 • Richard Wilson	PM
23 • Albert Lazare	MM
23 • Daniel Mueller	EA
29 • Thomas Ansell	MM



Master Mason Anniversary Dates - July

08 • Dan Dailey	PM	22 Years
08 • Floyd Tritt		35 Years
10 • Nico Montero		3 Years
16 • Mac Contreras		3 Years
17 • William Waite		73 Years
18 • Frederick Janson		4 Years
22 • Joshua Pane		22 Years
22 • Jerry Livingston-Joy		19 Years
23 • Joshua Djubek		8 Years
24 • Jason Sibbring		3 Years
25 • John May	PM	49 Years
25 • David Hall	PM	32 Years
28 • Jonathan Hunn-Broadnax		6 Years
29 • Alex Chompff		7 Years



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Please welcome our newest Entered Apprentice, Brother **William Chen**, who was initiated on June 8th. Brother Chen is very excited and looking forward to becoming involved.

July has traditionally been a dark month at the lodge. We will continue being such, with this caveat: the Temple will be available on Thursdays for anyone interested in coming down and practicing the ritual, meeting with coaches or just getting together with each other and enjoying each others' company. Make a plan and I'll see you there.



On July 15th at 11:00 am we will host our annual **Family Tri-Tip BBQ Picnic** at the Ben Ali Shrine Center, 3262 Marysville Blvd, in Sacramento. Bring your favorite picnic dish and maybe a game or two. We could also use some help setting up and breaking down. Set up will begin around 9:30 am and break down will happen after the event. If you can help, come early and/or leave later. Hoping to see you there!

Wor. Victor U. Sanchez
Master of Washington Lodge No. 20

FELLOWSHIP & EDUCATION NIGHT

Movie Night Special Edition

Wednesday, July 12th • 6:30 PM

We are pleased to invite you to a special screening of the feature film **TERRA MASONICA - Around The World in 80 Lodges**. (Length: 2h)

On the occasion of the 300th anniversary of Freemasonry, this extraordinary world tour in 80 lodges unveils, for the first time, these ancient and fascinating Masonic communities.

Terra Masonica Official Trailer

<https://vimeo.com/133844948>



Refreshments will be provided: popcorn, nachos, pizza, vegetable platters and drinks. Please RSVP to WLN20stewards@gmail.com by July 10th.

Open to spouses, significant others, and non-Masons. Come grab a seat, some fresh popcorn and enjoy a perfect evening of fellowship and Masonic education in our magnificent Club Room.

Masonic Education Committee

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.

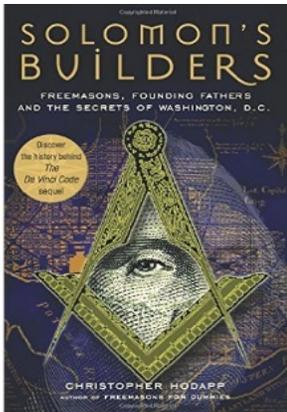


Your Next Read

Book of the Month

SOLOMON'S BUILDERS

Freemasons, Founding Fathers and the Secrets of Washington D.C.



Step back in time to the birth of a revolutionary new republic and discover how the utopian ideals of Freemasonry laid the foundation for the most powerful nation on earth.

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principles of their Masonic lodges into a radical new nation.

Solomon's Builders unravels history from myth as it takes you on a Freemason's tour of Washington, D.C. It reveals the evidence of Masonic influence during the construction of America and its new capital, including clues hidden in plain sight.

About the Author

Christopher Hodapp has been an active Freemason for many years. He is the Editor of the Journal of the Masonic Society and has authored several books on Masonic topics. His first book, *Freemasons for Dummies*, is the most popular modern guide to Freemasonry today.



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When we pause to look within ourselves to assess how well we are doing in living life, the standard by which every Freemason measures his past, present and future worth is his work and the example he sets for others to follow.

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MASONIC FAMILY TRI-TIP BBQ PICNIC

Come out and enjoy an afternoon with your fellow Brothers and their families.

Date: **Saturday, July 15th, 2017**

Location: **Ben Ali Shrine Center**
3262 Marysville Boulevard
Sacramento, CA 95815
Picnic Grounds in back of compound

Menu: **Smoked Tri-Tip**
Hamburgers
Hot Dogs
Potato Salad, and
Garlic Bread



Wine boxes and cans of beer will be available for adults.
Non-alcoholic beverages and water for family members and friends under 21 years of age.

Picnic Grounds Amenities:

- Horseshoe pits
- Covered dining area
- Private restrooms, and
- Large lawn area.

\$10.00 per Mason or bring a side dish or dessert.

Lunch will be served beginning at 11:00am.

Please RSVP to WLN20stewards@gmail.com by July 12th.

We hope to see you all there!



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Reservations contact:

Nancy at Ben Ali Temple - 916.920.4107 | Nolan Paraiso - 916.832.8053 | Joe Rivera - 916.233.5517



Oak Plains Lodge #789 cordially invites you to join us and support
Masons 4 Mitts at Masonic Night Sept. 11th at Giants Stadium!



San Francisco Giants vs LA Dodgers



September 11th, Game Time 7:05 pm

Game Seats \$32.50 - View Reserve infield 1st base side 3rd Tier

Bus Seats \$50.00 - Covers transportation to / from the game and Driver Gratuity

(We must have 54 passengers on the bus to receive the \$50 rate for the bus)

Total Cost \$82.50 - Must be paid in advance

Bus leaves Oak Plains Lodge #789, 3010 Becerra Way, Sacramento CA 95821

@ 3:00 pm and returns immediately following the game

*Ticket Deadline
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