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From the East: Wor. Jesse Solis-Jacques



INNOVATION ~ VISION ~ PURPOSE

Happy New Year, Brethren! In this edition, I would like to announce a couple of items.

First, I would like to congratulate the newly installed line of Officers for the 2019 Masonic Year for Washington Lodge No. 20. The Installation of Officers was a splendid and elegant ceremony. I would like to sincerely thank all those in attendance who were able to make it.

The Installation ceremony took a lot of people, work, time and effort to arrange. I would like to briefly acknowledge and provide my deepest gratitude to all those who participated. My daughter **Ava L. Jacques**, who performed an outstanding and most beautiful series of piano songs; my mother-in-law **Salvacion Sanson**, who spent countless hours making the table decorations, corsages, and boutonnieres by hand in just two days; a reverent Flag presentation by the Camp Golden West Sojourners and Masonic Veteran's National Sojourner "Hero of '76" who traveled from near and far to make this happen; the historical and educational Masonic Tribute Presentation by **Erika Schoenborn**, Honor Queen of Bethel No. 347 Elk Grove; and **Eric Faranda** and his catering team for a delicious and most amazing food display---and don't get me started on the cake! It was fabulous!

Thank you all again for your support in making the Installation of Officers an enjoyable experience.

The calendar of events for 2019 is available on our website or also upon request. If any brother would like a more detailed copy of the 2019 Calendar, please let me know and I will email you a copy as soon as possible.

Upcoming is the Annual Roll-Call Dinner on January 17th at 6pm in the Banquet Hall on the 3rd Floor. Please make your reservations in advance so the Cordon Bleu Team can provide accordingly.

The Officers School of Instruction (OSI) is on January 16th at 7pm. I would like to continue to remind all line Officers to attend this mandatory OSI meeting throughout the year. There is a wealth of Officer training and information that helps improve and prepare officers for their duties as an officer. OSI's are held every third Wednesday monthly and are also posted on the website calendar and social media. All Master Masons are also welcome to attend and it is highly encouraged. OSI is a great opportunity to ask questions and learn from each other.



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Lastly, I would like to present the theme for 2019. Freemasonry is a vibrant fraternity with such a diverse and universal culture. This has inspired me to harness my future-thinking nature to contemplate how Freemasonry started, where it has been, how it is today and where it will be in the future. The following three concepts briefly explains the theme INNOVATION... VISION...and PURPOSE.

Innovation—is imagining an ocean of ideas that already exist. The magic is pulling two or more of those ideas and combining them to create a revolutionary change that moves the universe in a harmonious and glorious manner. There is an innate innovative spirit hiding in each one of us. Giving it permission to emerge and develop lies the magic. Each of us have wonderful ideas that will make a difference in others. Throughout centuries and across the globe, innovation has shown to be a universal language. It only has one alphabet— “Let's make it happen, who's with me?”

Vision—are dreams that signify the art of witnessing the invisible. Visions are free and are limitless. Only one person has the authority and power to view them—YOU. Visions remind you who you are supposed to be and your supreme role in making that vision a reality. Visions merely submit to your desire to give them the opportunity to shape and mold into your beautiful creation. Sharing visions with each other make them unstoppable.

The strategic plan of everyone's journey is to give it a name—**Purpose**. It is continuously nourished on Passion and Belief to thrive. Purpose is flexible and amendable, when necessary and it provides the direction and floor plan needed to get to your destination. Without purpose, the journey ends; however, this may open up an opportunity to create a new purpose that may define your new identity. Defining your purpose in life or any endeavors you choose to follow, will form the solid foundation and strength required for an amazing and successful journey.



In closing brethren, although there is no time limit on when you decide to accomplish or discover your innovative gifts, visionary callings, or foundational purpose in your life, I would like to humbly challenge each of you to take that next step to make it happen. Remember you are not alone and together we are **Unstoppable!**

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 West

Bro. Jared Yoshiki · Senior Warden



Happy New Year, Brothers!

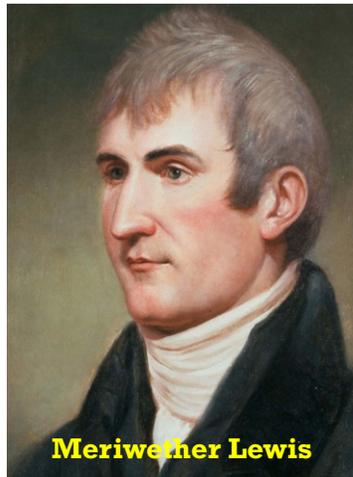
I hope you and your families had a wonderful Christmas and holiday season and, as we enter January, I can say that your Pillar Officers are looking forward to serving you for the 2019 Masonic Year.

With the New Year, I thought it would be a good idea to start a new event of sorts, and as such, I invite you to a 5:15pm Happy Hour fellowship at "Nine 2 Won" located just around the corner on 11th and J Streets in the Elks Lodge building before each stated meeting. We can have a drink, catch up on events, and then head upstairs to our 3-star Michelin kitchen crew for dinner. It's open to all, so come and enjoy some fellowship if you wish.

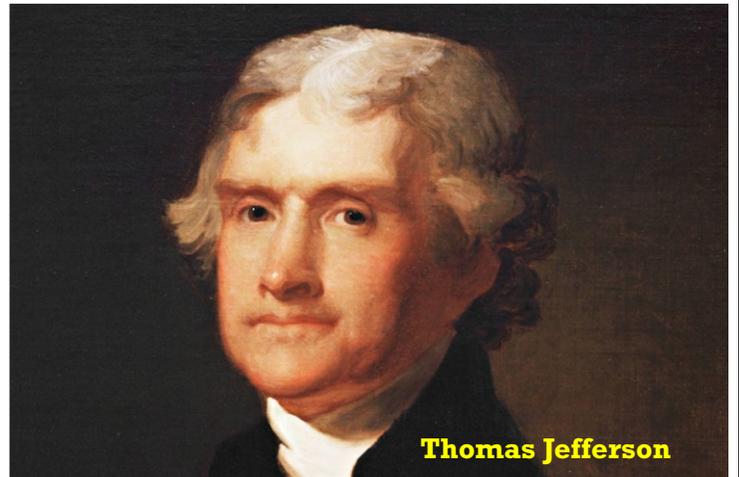
To ring in my first article "From the West," I was fascinated by the cardinal direction of West and what it has signified through history. As our forefathers looked West, there was a feeling of Manifest Destiny and the opportunities afforded by expanding the borders of our nation beyond the Mississippi River and Rocky Mountains. Famed explorers Meriwether Lewis and William Clark, both Masons, were instrumental in mapping the western territories. Brother Thomas Jefferson, another Mason, was also responsible for one of the largest land purchases in American history with the Louisiana Purchase of 1803.



William Clark



Meriwether Lewis



Thomas Jefferson

The West, in our craft, is associated with the setting of the Sun which on Earth is the source of all life and growth. It is also the seat of harmony, which is the strength and support of all societies - especially of ours.

I mention this brief historical and Masonic thought to invite you to share your vision of our Lodge and where it is we are going. It's part of Wor. **Jesse Solis-Jacques'** theme this year to talk about the vision of the future - and as I have shared before "you can contribute a verse."

Lewis and Clark didn't explore the Western frontiers with the mindset that no one would follow in their footsteps. Had that been the case, we may not be here today. Each of us are on a journey to explore strange new worlds and to seek out new life and new civilizations. We must boldly go where no man has gone before with the hope that others will follow.

This New Year can be a rebirth of sorts for Washington 20 to work together and with a purpose to make our lodge stronger. We are a Fraternity of friends and brothers. We share common values and meet on the level. As with all New Years' resolutions, let us do our work to build stronger ties and stronger bonds with our Brothers. Let us look West, not towards a setting sun, but to a place where harmony prevails in all things.





From the South

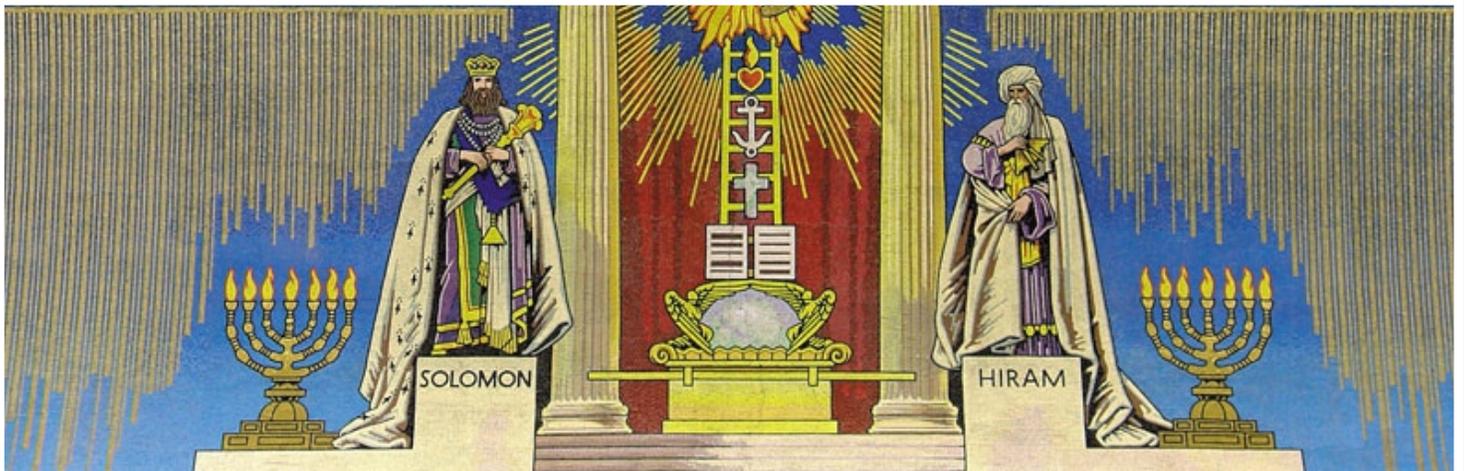
Bro. Francisco Marques · Junior Warden



I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season.

First, I would like to thank all members of Washington Lodge No. 20 for giving me the honor and privilege to serve as your Junior Warden for 2019. I would also like to congratulate our new Master, Worshipful **Jesse Solis-Jacques**, and Brother Senior Warden **Jared Yoshiki**, as well as all elected and appointed Officers who will be serving this year. I genuinely believe we have an active group of Brothers who, under direct guidance and support from the Worshipful Master, will endeavor to make 2019 a successful year for our Lodge.

I also want to salute all members who have sought admission and joined our Lodge last year, and those who have advanced in their Masonic Journey as well. To all newly Initiated Brothers, **Anthony Contreras** (03/15), **Richard "Smokey" Stover** (03/15), **William Workman** (03/15), **Jack Cornelius Jr.** (03/22), **Kyle Campbell** (06/28), and **Colin Quinn** (11/08), welcome to the Masonic Universe, Brethren!



From this excellent group of Entered Apprentices, Brother **"Smokey"** quickly moved up to the Second Degree, on 08/23. And also Passed to the Fellow Craft Degree was Brother **Alex Baloji**, on 06/21; but he didn't stop there. Just three months later, Brother **Baloji** obtained his Master Mason Degree, on 09/20, making his Coach (Worshipful **Joseph Dongo**) quite pleased and proud. Four other Brothers were Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason last year: **Wesley Jackson** (01/25), **Nick Johnston** (02/22, Past Masters Night), and, both on 03/31, **Chris Hamilton** and **Ryan Gooch**. These last three are now part of the new line of Officers for 2019. Congratulations to all! Keep up with the excellent work, fortitude and determination.

And so it begins... The New Year greets us with wide open arms as we return to our lives, and Freemasonry, with a fresh set of resolutions and what we want to carry out. 2019 promises to bring us all exciting and fun gatherings as we start our calendar of Lodge events in hypersonic pace.

There are plenty of functions already planned and many more yet to be developed within the upcoming months. We have a Fellowship Night coming up on January 9th, our Annual Roll Call Dinner on the 17th, and a possible Double Second Degree on the 24th. Please check the schedule of events on page 6 for more details, also available through our Website, Lodge App, and Facebook page.

It is my opinion that the Craft today ("Modern Freemasonry") has become more and more about social interaction, self-motivation, benevolence within our members and Masonic education with all taking part.

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JANUARY



Members 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	EA
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 "Mac" 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

Master Mason Anniversary Dates

09 • Christopher J. Chatoian	6 Years
12 • Randal "Randy" C. Brink	2 Years
12 • Edwin A. Grebitus	63 Years
16 • Alejandro Reynoso	5 Years
19 • William D. Cameron	7 Years
21 • Richard I. Findley	9 Years
22 • Morrison C. England	8 Years
22 • Ian M. Solis-Jacques	4 Years
25 • Eric R. Hardiman	22 Years
25 • Wesley E. Jackson	1 Year
28 • Zachary T. Gossell	9 Years
30 • Jonathan A. Brizuela	5 Years

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If you have ever recommended a friend to be made a Mason but have not seen him in Lodge for a while, please give our Brother a call and invite him to join us for some great fellowship this Thursday before Stated Meeting at the Restaurant **Nine 2 Won** (Elks Tower, 921 11th Street). This is a great opportunity for everyone to connect in a casual setting.

See more details about this social mixer in the "From the West" article by Brother **Yoshiki**. Meanwhile, Worshipful **Solis-Jacques** has also been planning for periodic Fellowship Nights with the aim to help you meet prospects, rekindle connections with your Brothers and learn about the Lodge and about our Ancient and Honorable Craft.

Fortunately, as Masons, we have many tools which can help us keep our resolutions, and one of my personal goals for this year is to encourage more participation and membership engagement. I want to ask Brothers who have not made it to the Lodge lately to try and "come back home" and join us this year. We have taken notice of your suggestions and requests through last year's Member Engagement Survey and are committed to helping make your Masonic experience more vibrant and rewarding going forward. We have read about your interests and talents and would like to connect you with other like-minded Brothers, thereby forming new friendships and building relationships, as well as promoting improvement within our Lodge. We will continue to have regular check-ins to request your feedback and ideas as the year progresses.

I am looking forward to an excellent year in 2019.

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Senior Deacon	Russ Tomas
Junior Deacon	Marty Buff
Marshal	Nick Johnston
Senior Steward	Chris Hamilton
Junior Steward	Ryan Gooch
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Officers Coach	Luis Montero • PM
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Assistant Hd Cdts Coach	Max D. Schell • PM
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WLN20 CALENDAR

January

- 03 • Monthly Stated Meeting
Dinner 6pm • Meeting 7:30pm
- 07 • Officers Meeting 7pm
- 09 • Fellowship Night 6pm
- 10 • Officers Practice 7pm
- 16 • Officers School of Instruction 7pm
- 17 • Annual Roll Call Dinner 6pm
- 24 • Second Degree 7pm
- 31 • DARK

February

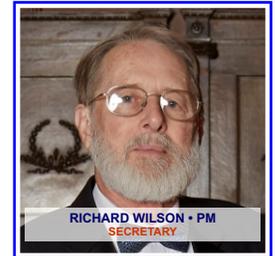
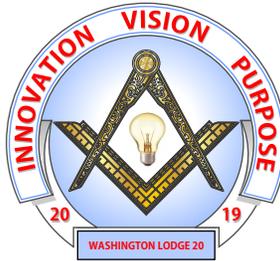
- 04 • Pillar Officers Meeting 6pm
- 07 • Monthly Stated Meeting
Dinner 6pm • Meeting 7:30pm
- 09 • Ladies Luncheon 12pm
- 13 • Fellowship Night 6pm
- 14 • Practice or Degree 7pm
- 20 • Officers School of Instruction 7pm
- 21 • Past Masters Night 6pm
- 28 • Practice or Degree 7pm

**RSVP to WLN20Stewards@gmail.com
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Congratulations to our newly Installed Officers for 2019!

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
Luis Javier Montero
for his leadership and guidance in 2018.

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



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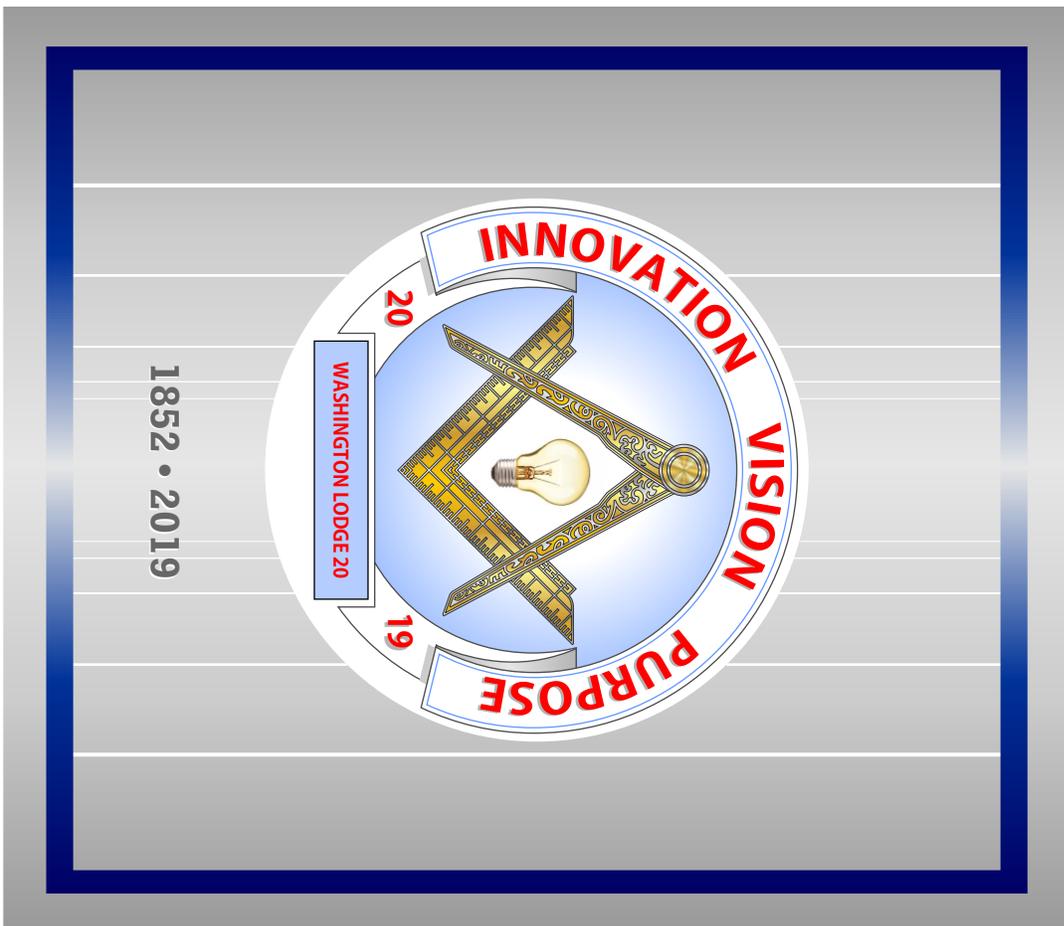


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