

T R E S T L E B O A R D

Washington Lodge No. 20 F. & A. M.

May 2015

En Route to the East

Our 164th Year



From the East: Worshipful Richard Wilson



I think one of the most enjoyable aspects of Masonry is taking part in the ritual work. And, ritual is one of the most important parts of Masonry, for it is (to a large degree) what sets us apart from most other social and philanthropic organizations.

I have mentioned several times the importance of sideliners. But it's also important to have *participants!* Your officers can't do it all. Particularly since many of them are working in "advance stations" – learning the work and getting ready for the offices they will hold next year and beyond. While they are thus engaged, we need other members to fill in positions behind them. There is also a Charge at the end of each degree, which can be given by anyone, and it is very helpful to have several members ready to do each one of them on a rotating basis.

As I have said before, most of the parts in the second section of the Third Degree are designed to be done by non-officers. In my early years in the Lodge, officers rarely worked in the second section – we had a pool of "cast members" who enjoyed doing that work. I spent several years taking various parts before I ever held an office; in fact, it was my degree work that brought me to the attention of Worshipful Al Grundel who appointed me Chaplain for 1974 (my first office) and Worshipful Carl Rae who started me up the line as Junior Steward in 1978.

Many of the junior officers and Third Degree participants have only a few sentences to learn. The Junior Steward, in fact, has not one single word to say anywhere in Masonic ritual, and if you learned the "long form" proficiencies when you joined, you've already given most of the Senior Steward's work.

So, what I'm saying is – come on down and take part! Definitely if you have any interest (or think you might have some interest) in going up the line and serving as Master. But, even if that's not your cup of tea, you can still enjoy doing ritual work. And, believe me, there is nothing like the camaraderie of a well-polished degree team – as well as the personal satisfaction of doing the work well and impressing a candidate

Our reception for Junior Grand Deacon (and our Junior Past Master) Dan Dailey on April 16th was a wonderful event! Almost seventy members and guests filled the banquet room, Bob, Wally, and their crew put out a delicious dinner, and Kitty's decorations created a definite Hawaiian mood. Grand Master Russ Charvonja, again, was our guest, this time with his wife Linda. He enjoyed the evening immensely and he even had some nice things to say about Dan. It was very evident that they have a close relationship. I'm still receiving compliments about how well the evening went and how we did Dan proud.

Our Stated Meeting for the month of May will be on Thursday the 7th, our regular first Thursday, in Lodge Room One at 7:30 pm. Remember, we conduct our business in the First Degree of Masonry, so all Masons of the Lodge, regardless of the degree they have attained, are eligible and welcome to attend. Only Master Masons may vote on business items, but all Masons may participate in the discussions. There will be the usual dinner at 6:00 pm, in the third floor banquet room, prepared by our stellar kitchen crew; five dollars with a reservation and ten dollars without (as long as there is enough food).

We have several applicants to ballot on, and assuming the ballots are favorable, we will confer First Degrees of Masonry on the remaining Thursdays in the month. One of the impressive features of the degree is for the candidate to see the sidelines filled with brothers when he is brought from darkness. So let's have a good turn-out. If you haven't been to Lodge in a while these would be good times to renew some friendships as well.

See you in Lodge!

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Stated Meeting

May 7, 2015

5:00 PM Social

6:00 PM Dinner

7:00 PM Stated Meeting

RSVP by May 28, 2015

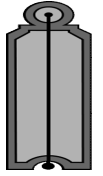
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"Waste Not, Want Not"



From the South

Victor U Sanchez, Jr. Warden



If you missed last week's tribute to our own Jr. Past Master Dan Dailey you missed a heck of an event.

The attire was very casual and the night's theme was Hawaiian. Our fabulous Kitchen Crew and their staff put on a great feast and Kitty had decorations flowing out of every nook and cranny.

Grand Master Russell E. Charvonja and several other Grand Lodge Officers were in attendance and gave a great tribute to Dan. Oh, if you haven't heard, Dan is the new Junior Grand Deacon.

We continue to be a very busy lodge and we look forward to being even more busy as the summer months press on.

On April 9th we got together to welcome Jack Wagner into the Lodge as our youngest Entered Apprentice. Please introduce yourselves to him when you see him.

We want to invite ALL the Brethren to attend OUR Stated Meetings and to participate in some of OUR degrees.

If you are in need of transportation, please feel free to call me personally at 916 425-6112 and we will transport you to and from the meetings. We would also love to have you attend some of OUR degrees and welcome new Brothers into the fraternity. Just give a call

May Schedule

May 7, Stated Meeting

May 13, Masonic Fellowship

May 14, First Degree, 7:00 pm

May 21, First Degree, 7:00 pm

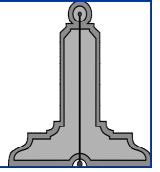
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May 28, First Degree, 7:00 pm



From the West

Joseph "Scott" Goode, Sr. Warden



I had the pleasure of attending the Master/Wardens retreat with Luis Montero and Worshipful Rich Wilson in April. We had the opportunity to meet with other Wardens and Masters and talk about the challenges and rewards of running a lodge.

The Grand Master, Most Worshipful Russ Charvonja and Deputy Grand Master, Right Worshipful David Perry, talked on various topics of lodge management and gave Inspirational speeches on charity and giving. There were break-out sessions where we had the opportunity to receive lessons on topics such as lodge budgeting, annual planning and membership experience. These break-out sessions were very helpful in understanding how lodge administration can work to make a successful lodge.

The break-out sessions that I attended were very helpful to me. There were many open-ended questions such as "why do your Brothers want to come to lodge", are they getting their money's worth, what is the culture of your lodge", etc.

As a result of what I have learned, I would like to take a survey and pose a few simple questions:

What events beside the usual that we put on each year would you like to see, be it a fun, charitable, educational or community service event?

What time would you like to see first and second degrees start? Earlier or later?

What would get you to come and be a sideliner for degrees or stated meetings?

You can email your response to me at dadgoode@comcast.net or just grab me at a stated meeting or degree with your answer.

Washington Lodge #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.

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Kitty's Corner

"April Showers Bring May Flowers"; except this year! Despite drought, flowers have been blooming for months, and the pollen count makes me feel like Dorothy and the Lion trying to get through the poppy field. Thank God for modern medications.

We have been on a "dead run", what with Dan's Reception, followed the next couple of days by the Masters and Wardens Retreat in Stockton. The Grand Lodge folks really know how to pack two days worth of information and activities over three days. It does help to start on Friday night at 7 PM for working folks, then finish up on Sunday. There was an absolutely excellent speaker on Friday night: he was a high-ranking DeMolay officer as a teenager, who then became a pilot. He amused us all with the revelation that he hates heights, and therefore, during paratrooper training he had to be "booted" out of the airplane! But he kept coming back! His enthusiasm was VERY infectious!

Rich and I are now ramping up to attend Grand York Rite Sessions in Bakersfield the third week of this month. Which is why this column is so short: I'm working on decorations for our Grand Council Family Farewell Dinner and the decorations for the Grand Council's Ladies Lunch. Between that and figuring out what to pack for lunches, dinners, the Masonic Family Banquet on Sunday and then 3 Installations I have little time for much else this month.

I hear that we are going to Mendocino in August to confer a Degree in that town's historic Lodge. PLEASE come to this! The Lodge Room has VERY beautiful woodwork and paintings. They don't open this to just anyone, so come enjoy. Ladies, there are shops, to die for, in Mendocino. Solve ALL your birthday, anniversary and Christmas gift buying in one place! And the food is great too.

Rich and I are thinking about September for our second Ladies' Lunch, so that we aren't stacking too many events on top of each other. But we won't be making firm plans for that until after Grand Sessions.

I hope all the Moms have a wonderful Mother's Day.

Kitty =^..^=



Our Ladies Night entertainment performing at the 2013 Eastern Star Grand Session

Save the Date



are coming!

November 7, 2015

Saturday, November 7, 2015

Consider dressing in 1960's attire. Can you still fit the clothes you wore to Beatles concerts & films???? If you need help I have been informed that David Cameron & family is researching what to wear & where to buy it. Barnes & Noble is also selling re-mastered Beatles records!



Looking Ahead

Thursday, June 4th – Stated Meeting

5:00 pm Social Time

6:00 pm Dinner

7:30 pm Business Meeting

Wednesday, June 10th – Fraternal Night, 6:00 pm

Thursday, June 11th – Degree, 7:00 pm

Thursday, June 18th – Degree, 7:00 pm

Tuesday, June 23rd – Officers School, 7:00pm

Thursday, June 25th – Degree, 7:00 pm

Practices may be substituted for degrees.

In Memoriam

Jimmie L. Rogers, P.M.

Born April 14, 1939

Initiated July 10, 1980

Passed September 9, 1980

Raised October 23, 1980

Served as Master in 1987

Entered Eternal Life April 4, 2015

Almighty Father, into Thy hands we commend the soul of our departed brother

Print'em Danno!!

One program that is really putting Masonry “on the map” around the State is the Kids ID fingerprinting program. Offered at fairs, festivals and other public gatherings, Kids ID provides parents with a photo and fingerprint record of their children. Although, just like insurance, no one ever wants to actually need the record, if a tragedy should occur, it can be invaluable.

In addition to individual events, the various Lodges in the Sacramento area cooperate in offering a Kids ID booth at the Sacramento County Fair. The Fair is this month, Thursday, May 21 thru Monday, May 25 (Memorial Day), so it's time to call for volunteers.

If you are interested in helping with this valuable program, please call Tim McGeachy, with the Masonic Service Bureau, at (916) 952-9930 or email tmcg602@yahoo.com and sign up for a shift.

Don't forget to wear your Washington Lodge shirt. Show the world you're proud to be a Mason.

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WASHINGTON LODGE No.20

Free & Accepted Masons of California



ANNUAL FAMILY TRI-TIP BBQ PICNIC

Come out and enjoy an afternoon with our fellow Brothers and families.

Saturday, July 11th, 2015

\$10.00 per Man, Ladies are free

Location: Elk Grove Regional Park (Site 3B).

Menu: Smoked Tri-Tip, Variety of Sausages, Ranch Style Beans, Corn on the Cob, Potato Salad, and Garlic Bread, along with Brownies a la Mode for dessert. Wine boxes and beer will be available for the adults. Non alcoholic beverages include: Fruit punch, soda, and water.

Lunch will be served beginning at 11:00am

Please, glass bottles are not allowed in the park

Park Amenities: Horseshoe pits and playground for the kids' entertainment. Small lake stocked with fish for those who have a fishing license. Do not forget your fishing equipment. Please bring lawn games if you have them.

Reservations are required

Please call 1-888-828-4476 no later than July 3rd.

We hope to see you all there.



Picnic Site 3B



Fishing on the Lake



Playground

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2015 RITUAL COMPETITION RULES

PARTICIPATION

- Teams may consist of members of the same lodge or a combination of members from several lodges within the same district.
- The team leader shall complete and submit the Ritual Competition Registration Form to his district inspector (or in his absence, the concerned assistant grand lecturer) by **February 1, 2015**.
- All participants, including the exemplification candidate, shall be Master Masons and members of the participating district.

JUDGING

- The inspector shall work with each team leader to identify a suitable date and time for each team to exemplify their work in front of the inspector.
- After judging the work of each degree team, the inspector shall forward the winning team's registration form to his assistant grand lecturer (AGL) by **May 1, 2015**.
- Each AGL shall then work with each district team leader to identify a suitable date and time for each team to exemplify their work in front of the AGL.
- After judging the work of each district degree team, the AGL shall forward the winning team's registration form to the grand lecturer by **August 1, 2015** to allow him time to arrange for appropriate recognition of each division's team leader during the 2015 Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of California.
- Judging shall be the sole discretion of the judging inspector and AGL, who may use as many assistants as he deems necessary to make his decision.

OBSERVING

- Inspectors and AGLs are encouraged to invite any and all Master Masons to the exemplification and judging process in order to observe the work and thereby improve their own ritual skills.

The Grand Lodge of Free & Accepted Masons of California will be having the 2015 ritual competition. My intent is to perform the 2nd section of the Third Degree in costume. This will be one of the most memorable endeavors Washington Lodge #20 has undertaken. We will need at least 15 Master Masons. I will be seeking the assistance and guidance of our Past Masters to be the best we can. I welcome all lodge members to participate and show how well we best can work and best agree. If you are interested please call me Luis Montero at: [1-888-828-4476](tel:1-888-828-4476) or email me at: L.Montero22@yahoo.com

Grand Master Proclamation: May Is Champion Civility Month

Grand Master Charvonia has proclaimed May 2015 to be Champion Civility Month

To support these efforts, Grand Master Charvonia has teamed up with the Civility Center and a cross-jurisdictional team of Masonic leaders to create a [Civility Toolkit](#) filled with a variety of free, useful resources.

Other stated meeting notices:

April is Public Schools Month. Read the [Public Schools Month Proclamation](#) at your April stated meeting to remind your lodge to celebrate local public schools teachers and students.

The June/July issue of California Freemason magazine will be distributed online *only*. To ensure your members receive this special digital issue, encourage them to update their email address in the Member Center at [freemason.org](#). Reach out to Masonic sweethearts to ensure that their email addresses are current, too. Printed magazines will resume in August.

Members may submit papers for the World Conference of Regular Masonic Grand Lodges. Share your perspective on one of seven conference themes. Select papers will be presented during the conference. All papers received by the deadline will be printed in the conference proceedings. Learn more at [wcrmgl.com](#).

Thank you for mentioning all of these efforts at your stated meetings.

Please remember that all articles on [freemason.org](#) can be repurposed for inclusion in monthly Trestleboards, on websites, and printed for distribution.

Questions? Contact communications@freemason.org.



Reception for Dan Dailey our Jr. Past Master and newly appointed Jr. Deacon for Grand Lodge

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TRIPLE-A AFFILIATE

Sacramento Masons Day



River Cats vs. Tacoma Rainiers

Triple-A Affiliate of the Seattle Mariners
Sunday, June 7th ♦ First Pitch: 1:05pm

Enjoy these exciting benefits for your Masonic Lodge

- ♦ Reserved seats in the center of the action at Raley Field
- ♦ Lodges, family and friends sit together
- ♦ Discounted group rate
- ♦ FREE parking
- ♦ Discounted food vouchers available (Hot Dog, Drink and Chips)
- ♦ Contribute to Masons-4-Mitts Campaign
- ♦ **Scoreboard recognition**



TICKET OPTIONS

Price	Section	# of Tickets	= \$
\$19	Senate	_____	_____
\$7	Meal vouchers	_____	_____
	Contribution to Masons 4 Mitts	\$ _____	
	Total	\$ _____	

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Orders must be received by **THURSDAY, MAY 7th**
 *Tickets are on a first come, first serve basis and will go fast



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