



# TRESTLE BOARD



## From the East: Wor. Jared Yoshiki

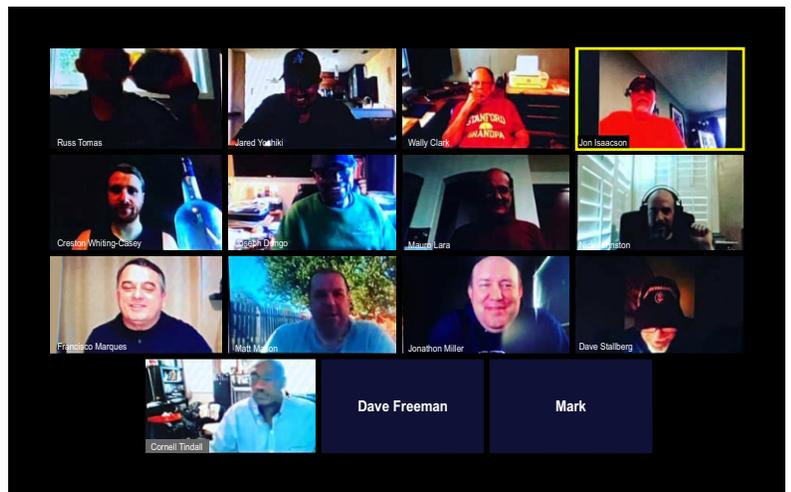


I hope you are all staying home and staying safe. One thing history has taught us is that we come out of damaging events like this stronger than we were before the event started. I am confident that once this health crisis has abated we will be stronger and our bonds of brotherhood stronger still.

There is no question these times are tough. Financially, there are many resources available to you. We have many brothers who work in around state and local government. If you have questions or need help, please reach out. Your Lodge's Charity Committee is also here to help, should you need assistance. The Grand Lodge has also started a Masonic Relief Fund to help brothers in need. Your Lodge's Charity Committee has committed funds to help in this endeavor and if you would like to donate personally, or need to apply for assistance, you can visit [californiafreemason.org/2020/03/25/dwb-relief/](http://californiafreemason.org/2020/03/25/dwb-relief/).

I also want to express my sincere apologies to our three applicants, who are patiently awaiting their initiations into our bonds of fraternity. I hope during times like these that we are able to show them who we are and what we mean by brotherly love and relief. I know our examples will go a long way in making their masonic journey more meaningful.

I also want to apologize to the many of you who were looking forward to our Centennial Table Lodge. It was truly a hallmark event on my calendar that, like so many other things, has had to be postponed to a later date. Your Officers and I are working on moving this landmark event to the month of June and more details will be forthcoming.



While we continue to shelter in place in an effort to stop the spread of this virus, and to keep our loved ones safe, I look forward to our next Virtual Happy Hour. On April 2nd, several of your brothers held a virtual happy hour just to catch up and see how everyone was doing. We even had brothers who we had not seen in a very long time join. If you missed this first one, don't worry, as we are planning another on Thursday April 9th as well.

Lastly, we have two charity events that will help our communities. The most pressing is our volunteer event on April 25th for the River City Food bank. See page 4 for more details. If you are healthy and not in a vulnerable population and can volunteer your time, please let Brother **Creston Whiting-Casey** know ASAP if you can help. The other charity event is complementing our Operation Backpack for students who are missing school. In the coming days you will have access to an Amazon.com shopping list that will provide art supplies and other materials low income students can use while they undertake remote-learning.

Please continue to check in on your brothers, especially those in vulnerable populations, to see if they need anything. I can tell you that people who have gotten sick are getting better and, that with time, we will get through this together. Stay Safe my brothers. Stay Healthy!





# From the West

Bro. Francisco Marques • Senior Warden



## One Hundred Years of Brotherly Love, Relief & Truth

As amazing as it might seem, April 1st, 2020, marks the 100th anniversary of **Washington Lodge No. 20** Free & Accepted Masons' first Stated Meeting at the Sacramento Masonic Temple.

That is a century of like-minded Freemasons working together for the enrichment and betterment of its members and local communities.

Our Lodge is 168 years old, but only when our dedicated members entered upon the colossal undertaking of erecting a brand new building – joining forces with seven other Lodges or Masonic organizations: **Tehama Lodge No. 3, Sacramento Lodge No. 40, Union Lodge No. 58, Concord Lodge No. 117, Chapter No. 3 of Royal Arch Masons, Council No. 1 of Cryptic Masons, and Commandery No. 2 of Knights Templar**, our mark became fully manifested in the heart of Sacramento.

The Sacramento Masonic Temple was built between 1913 and 1918 – the year the cornerstone was laid – and open to Freemasons and the general public in 1920. This magnificent edifice – located on the corner of J and 12th Streets – is considered one of the most intact architectural period pieces in the region and was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2001.

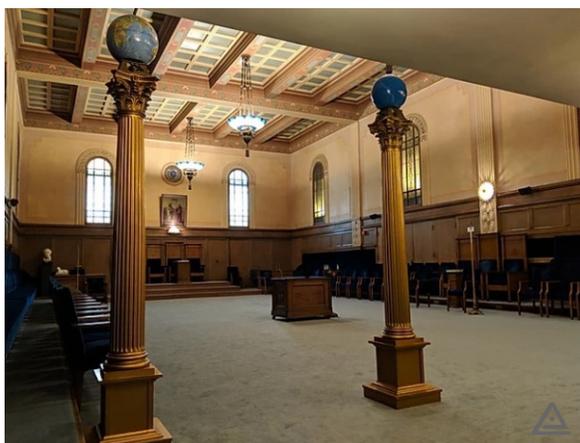


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One hundred years is a significant achievement in the life of any organization, and we are going to celebrate our first centennial at the Temple in a fun and vibrant way.

Stay tuned for updates from our Master, Worshipful **Jared Yoshiki**, on the upcoming WLN20 Centennial Table Lodge, originally scheduled for April but postponed due to the shutdown. See page 6 for an important announcement from our Grand Master, MW **John E. Trauner**, regarding Masonic events.



To learn more about the Sacramento Masonic Temple and the various Lodges and Orders currently meeting in the building, please visit:

- [www.uniontehamalodge3.org](http://www.uniontehamalodge3.org)
- [www.washingtonlodge20.org](http://www.washingtonlodge20.org)
- [www.sac40.net](http://www.sac40.net)
- [www.gdml853.org](http://www.gdml853.org)
- [www.philomathean2.mylodgehelper.com](http://www.philomathean2.mylodgehelper.com)
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# From the South

Bro. Russ Tomas • Junior Warden



In the midst of this global pandemic, it's easy to lose one's self in a sense of despair. We always hear the bad news like there is no end in sight, the continually growing numbers in the projections, and the empty store shelves due to hoarding and panic (seriously, why does everyone need so much toilet paper?). I even read a story where an 18-wheeler crashed on the highway and caught on fire near San Antonio, Texas. Thankfully everyone including the driver and first responders were not seriously injured. However, the truck was filled with toilet paper!

It's important to realize that despite all this bad news, there is an overwhelming amount of news on good things happening everywhere. People are stepping up and helping each other. You can find it on sites like NextDoor where people are offering help and posting pictures of hope and humor (we need humor so much right now!). We see chalk art to bring us hope and positivity. New Yorkers are following other parts in the world and stepping onto their balconies and porches at 7 p.m. to cheer for our healthcare workers. GM (General Motors) retooled a closed factory to start manufacturing N95 masks in 11 days and are going to sell them at cost! That means more jobs and more PPE all while they are taking a beating on car sales. So far, it looks like the kindness of humanity is outpacing the bad.



What does this mean for us as Freemasons? This is the time for us to step up more than we have before. We must hold to our obligations. We must keep our passions within due bounds toward all humankind. It means that if we see that package of toilet paper or paper towels and we have enough at home, leave it. Someone who needs it more can have it. It means to check up on each other. Text and call old friends whom you haven't spoken to in a while. Most importantly, STAY HOME. Many will argue this point. Those who argue against it should consider not their own health, but the health of others. You may get sick and be strong enough to handle it, but it's who you give it to that will hurt. It is not about you, it's about us.

As Masons, it is our strict code that pushes us to seek the betterment of humankind. Be safe out there and hopefully one day I'll be able to physically embrace each of you as a brother again.

## Washington Lodge No. 20

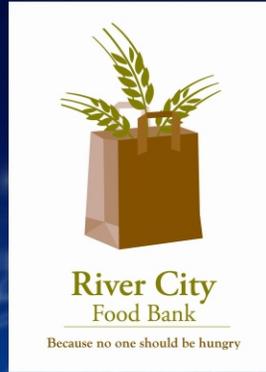
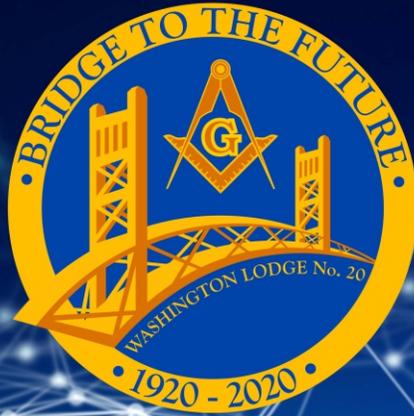
### Mission Statement

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.



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**SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2020 AT 9 AM – 1:30 PM**

### **WLN20 Charity Drive: River City Food Bank**

2300 Edison Ave, Sacramento, CA 95821-1714, United States

Please join us for a Masonic Volunteering event on Saturday, April 25, from 9am to 1:30pm, in partnership with the **River City Food Bank**, an independent 501c3 non-profit organization.

#### **Where:**

**The Center at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church**  
2300 Edison Ave, Sacramento, CA 95821

River City Food Bank has identified Arden Arcade as the area in which it can make the greatest impact in reducing hunger and building community -- through donations, volunteer hours and community partnerships.

You can now donate your time -- together with the Brethren of **Washington Lodge No. 20** and help feed the hungry in our area.

Please email Brother **Creston Whiting-Casey** at [CharityWLN20@gmail.com](mailto:CharityWLN20@gmail.com) to let him know you will be volunteering.

For more information, please visit: [www.rivercityfoodbank.org/rcfb-st-matthews/](http://www.rivercityfoodbank.org/rcfb-st-matthews/)



### **WLN20 2020 Operation Backpack**

Stay tuned for the link to our **Amazon** shopping list

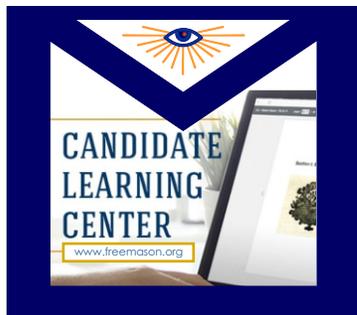
To donate cash TODAY, please visit: [www.washingtonlodge20.org/operation-backpack](http://www.washingtonlodge20.org/operation-backpack)

**Thank you!**



## Member Birthdays

01 • William Chen	EA
01 • Francisco D. Marques	MM
03 • Joshua A. Djubek	MM
03 • Saleh M. Zarrouk	EA
04 • Alexis K. Baloji	MM
05 • William D. Sherrard	MM
06 • Scott K. Van Wagner	MM
08 • Rob R. Gerolomy	MM
10 • Donald W. Bader	MM
11 • Colin J. Cooper	MM
11 • Frank J. Werner	MM
12 • James P. Clark	MM
12 • Brent L. Moore	EA
13 • Michael W. Shannon	EA
13 • Thomas L. Weary	MM
14 • Thomas A. Weary	MM
15 • Craig S. McKinnon II	MM
16 • Randal C. Brink	MM
16 • Glenn A. Pope Jr.	MM
20 • Jeret C. Burnett	MM
20 • Jesus S. Vega	MM
21 • Erick C. Leutholtz	MM
21 • George W. Rotas	MM
22 • Charles E. Dunbar	MM
24 • Jacob A. Cummings	MM
25 • John D. Lowrey	MM
25 • William T. Piper III	EA
27 • Frederick C. Janson	MM

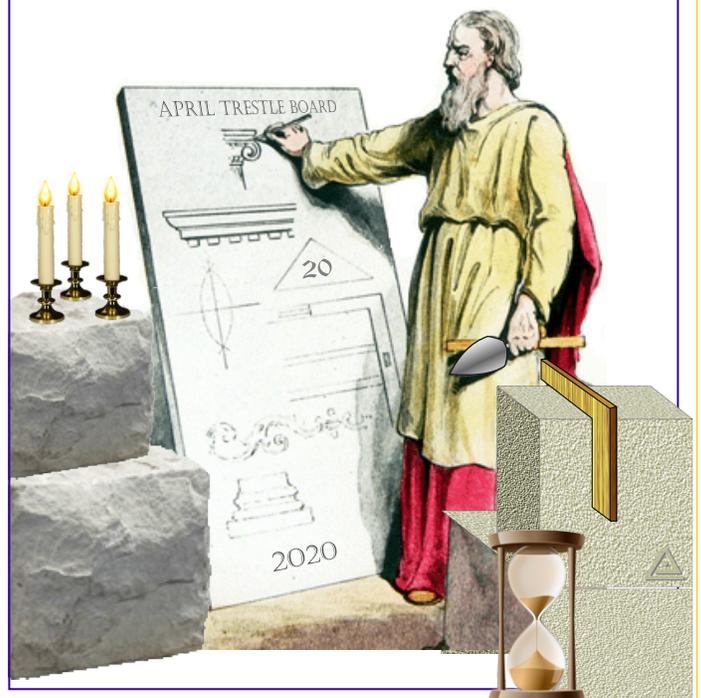


## MM Anniversary Dates

07 • Robert G. Taylor	51 Years
08 • George W. Rotas	44 Years
11 • Pedro Perez	46 Years
11 • Henry K. Tatian	26 Years
12 • Charles E. Dunbar	59 Years
14 • Philip A. Hardiman 	43 Years
20 • Joseph K. Barnes	42 Years
23 • Albert E. Rowe Jr.	71 Years
24 • Jared D. Yoshiki	6 Years
25 • Maury M. Hicks	8 Years
25 • Martin P. Zimmerman	31 Years
26 • Thomas A. Weary	8 Years
28 • Paul T. Derouen	37 Years

## WLN20 on SOCIAL MEDIA

-  **Lodge App**  
[www.washingtonlodge20.org/apps-1](http://www.washingtonlodge20.org/apps-1)
-  **Facebook**  
[www.facebook.com/WashingtonLodgeNo20/](http://www.facebook.com/WashingtonLodgeNo20/)
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## Washington Lodge No. 20 2020 Officers

**Master: Jared Yoshiki**

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

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## Masonic Events During COVID-19 Gathering Restrictions

On March 16, the California Department of Public Health released new guidance on the prevention of COVID-19 transmission. The Department has found that all non-essential gatherings should be postponed or canceled until further guidance is provided. **All Masonic gatherings are non-essential in the context of this guidance.**

**Based on the foregoing, it is my direction that there be no Masonic gatherings of any kind in this state until further direction is received from me. This includes all Masonic organizations and Masonic Youth Orders.**

### Payment of Lodge Essential Bills

As a result of these actions, no lodge can hold a stated meeting to pay its bills, and there is no clear remedy in our law to solve this problem.

### Special Procedure for Lodges

Effective today, 03/18/2020, a majority of the elected officers of the lodge may order the advancement of lodge funds to pay those essential lodge bills whose payment cannot reasonably be deferred.

The elected lodge officers may confer by telephone, video conference, or email in making this determination.

Expenditures by the lodge charity committee are an essential lodge bill for which payment should not be deferred.

The lodge must ratify these payments at the next stated meeting held by the lodge.

The lodge master should inform the inspector of any other circumstances that may need to be addressed while this special procedure is in effect.

This special procedure is available only during the pendency of any applicable inhibition or prohibition on non-essential gatherings. In any event, it will have no further force or effect after my term as Grand Master ends.

Sincerely and fraternally,

**JOHN E. TRAUNER**

Grand Master

Grand Lodge F&AM of California





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