

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

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

March 2013

Time, Patience and Perseverance

Our 162nd Year

From the East: Worshipful Juan C. Faranda



First I would like to congratulate Brothers Patrick J Molley and Joseph Wallack for their advancement to the FC Degree, we are looking forward to confer upon them the sublime degree of Master Mason in the near future.

As usual, our Senior Warden Dan Dailey, did a great job in the East as did all of the officers. Dan explained to our newest FC the use of those valuable instruments; the plum, the square and level. Our senior brother, David Freeman, did a great job delivering the charge.

We were dark on February 14th, Valentine's Day, giving the brethren a break to be with their loved ones that evening.

Our Ladies Luncheon was very successful, it was well good attended, with few cancellations at the last minute. We had about 37 guest, the vocal group "**Vibrations**" were very good. The food served by Tony's restaurant was excellent and everybody enjoyed themselves. The place was full of good energy. I would like to give a especial thanks and congratulate our hostess, Nancy Hardiman, for a well done job and our Master of Ceremony Worshipful Phil Hardiman. Also thanks to Brothers Creston Whiting-Casey and Antonio Weary for greeting the guests.

Our Masonic Fellowship meeting this month was well attended, Brother Derek Waterman, who is recuperating from a shoulder operation, was there and this time Brother Denny Carlson did a an explanation of "**Euclid, Pythagoras and how the Chinese did it**". We played pool and the refreshments were out of sight, thank you Stewards for job well done. These meetings are always fun, playing pool and talking about Masonry with good gentlemen.

I asked Past Master Joseph Dongo to be in charge of "Past Master's Night". We started with a prayer by Worshipful John Knox before our dinner. After that we did self introductions and made sure to thanks our brothers in the kitchen for the excellent dinner. In the Lodge every Past Master took an office and they did an excellent job conferring upon brother Paul McNamee the Sublime Degree of Masonry. Thank you Worshipful Joseph Dongo for a great job putting this event together. Brother Paul, you were Raised by the best in the craft.

Bill Miklos, our Inspector, in order to motivate attendance to the Officers School of Instruction (OSI) came up with the idea of the "Traveling Gavel" whereby the lodge who has the most officer attendees will keep the gavel for a month. We managed to win the gavel for February and I would like to keep it every month. So, officers, I need your help!!

Our activities for the month of March are as follows: March 7, **Stated Meeting**, Most Worshipful Tony Wordlow will be our guest speaker, please let's have a good showing of support for this event.

March 13th, Education and Fellowship; March 14, **Third Degree** to be confer upon Brother **Luke Zeiher**; March 21, **mandatory** officer's practice to be determined by Wor Eric Hixson, PM.; March 28, **Third Degree** to be confer upon Brother **Jesus Vega**.

Well brethren that is all for now, thank you for you help and cooperation, thank you to Brothers Victor Sanchez and Dave Freeman for helping with this Trestleboard.

Washington Lodge #20 2013 Officers

Master: Juan C. Faranda

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From the West

Daniel J. Dailey, Sr. Warden

February was a quiet month for Washington Lodge. Our Stated Meeting was well attended. Many thanks to our Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts who continue to support our Lodge at every event. On February 16th we celebrated our annual Lady's Luncheon. Nearly 45 people attended this event, one of the highest attendances in recent memory. Thanks to Nancy Hardiman for her excellent planning and coordination. Thanks to our First Lady Soledad Faranda for the beautiful center pieces. The food prepared by Tony's Deli was also excellent. The diet dessert selection was perfect.

On February 28th Brother Scott McCartney was initiated an Entered Apprentice Mason. Welcome to our Fraternity Scott. I look forward to seeing you reach Master Mason in no time.

Some Masonic trivia to close out February:

"3 Times 3" from the **"Freemasons"** Facebook page.

"In ancient times the Entered Apprentice Degree was alone prevalent amongst the generality of our Lodges, for no Brothers could be passed and raised except in the Grand Lodge, and few availed themselves of the privilege. Hence they had only one sign, one token and one word, and these three constituted the honors. But the members of the Grand Lodge had three signs, three tokens and three words, and therefore three times three were appropriately termed the Grand Honors."

Hence during Masonic Lodge meetings or other official ceremonies, rendering a battery of 3 Times 3 to a Mason to recognize outstanding service to Masonry, the Lodge, the community, or others is one of the highest compliments we can give, that of the Grand Honors.

Adopt-A-Freeway Program

March 9, 2013

at 9:00 AM

Litter Removal on Freeway 244

On/Off Ramp at Auburn Blvd

Meet at Del Paso Park

Corner of Park Road and Auburn Blvd

Stated Meeting

Thursday, March 7th, 2013

5:00 PM Social

6:00 PM Dinner

7:00 PM Stated Meeting

RSVP by February 5th, 2012

(888) 828-4476

"Waste Not, Want Not"



From the South

Michael P. Quinn, Jr. Warden

Thomas Jefferson, US President and Freemason, once said; "All tyranny needs to gain a foothold is for people of good conscience to remain silent." As the trying and troubling events that each of us and our nation currently face, let us all work together to make the world a better place, make good men better and continue to make Temples in the hearts of men.

I urge each and every brother Mason to stay active in their respective communities, make their voices heard and, by demonstrating goodness, improve things for mankind.

March 2013 Schedule

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| March 7th | Stated Meeting - Most Worshipful Tony Wordlow - Guest Speaker |
| March 13th | Education & Fellowship |
| March 14th | Third Degree - Bro. Luke Zeiher |
| March 21st | Mandatory Officer's Practice |
| March 26th | Officers School of Instruction (OSI) |
| March 28th | Third Degree - Jesus Vega |

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Where is your Dues Card? Ask the Lodge Secretary!!



Corner Stone Laying Ceremony - Masonic Temple at 12th and J Streets, Sacramento, CA - circa 1919
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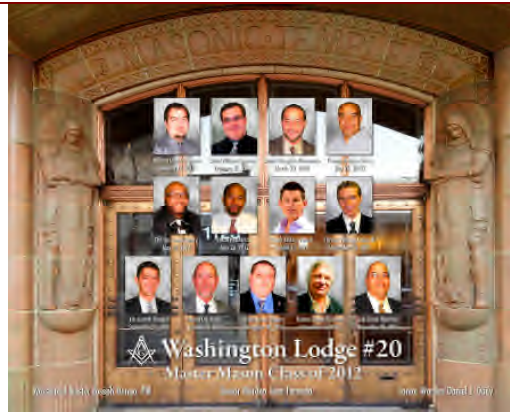
Washington Lodge #20
Mission Statement

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.



Mustard Seed Needs

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Liquid hand soap Clorox disinfectant wipes Children's socks (size s, m) Women's underwear (size s, m, l) Paper towels Belts (small child) Dry erase markers and erasers Roller blades and roller skates (all sizes) Children's underwear (boys and girls: sizes 3T, 4T, 5L) Bicycle helmets (all sizes) Deodorant | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quality sturdy backpacks Kids pants (3T-16) Shoes (boys and girls: 3-15) Green chair cushions New/used workbooks (pre K-8) Bottled water Mouthwash Chap stick Hair Accessories Dish washing soap Healthy snacks: low sodium, low sugar |
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Honoring Worshipful Joseph Dongo

In keeping with the tradition of recognizing the junior Past Master for his service, the 2012 Class of Master Masons presented Worshipful Dongo with a class photo as a token of appreciation. The photo displays the degree pictures and dates of all 13 Master Masons raised in 2012, superimposed on the image of the Temple entrance.

Our sincerest thanks to Worshipful Dongo and the degree teams who raised us to the sublime degree.

Fraternally, the 2012 Class of Raised Master Masons.

Junior Steward Washington 20

It is truly a privilege to serve as an officer in such a prestigious lodge with such profound history.

Too walk in Brothers footsteps, to honor those who have gone before me, and teach those whose will come after is a responsibility I do not take lightly. To coach, mentor, and lead brethren to a higher level of professionalism through Masonic education and pool hall night (and one day beat Worshipful Faranda at pool, lol!). I want to thank Brother Denton Edward Carlson on his informative and captivating lecture on Euclid's 47th Proposition, the Pythagorean Theorem. But mostly, I thank all of the brethren for their fellowship, and dedication to the lodge, I know all of you are coming to the lodge from a long day of work and it is my way of saying thanks for taking the time to participate. My Goal is to get the degree rituals to a harmonious motion with others as to present it in its original beauty and form; with practice this can be accomplished. And lastly, I am eternally grateful for Brother David Minke, his dedication, example, and helpful portable gadgets make for a fun and joyful service. His generosity, leadership and true expression of brotherly love does not go unnoticed, thank you my brothers.

Junior Steward Duties include, but not limited to

Assist the Senior Steward in the kitchen and at the tables whenever a dinner or refreshments are served. This includes cleanup.

Learn the Chaplain's prayers and the First Degree Charge fluently. In the event that the Chaplain and Marshal are unavailable, you may be called up onto do this work.

Know how to properly prepare candidates in all three Degrees

As Lodge Trustee, you will assist the Senior Steward by marking in the attendance on the dinner sheets and learn the names and faces of those who attend. You are preparing to name faces in your Masters year. You will receive payments for dinner tickets, and forward the monies collected to the Secretary at the stated meeting.

Write an article in the March Trestleboard.

Advanced stations

*Senior Steward in all Degrees

*Junior Deacon in the first section of the First Degree