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## From the East: Wor. Luis J. Montero

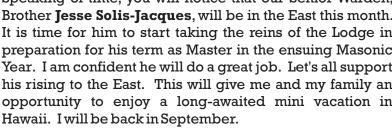


The August sun brings the warmth of growth and the Sacramento heat, as the Officers continue to heat things up with more proficiencies, initiations and also with our new charity focus: Operation Backpack, in partnership with Volunteers of America, which will help 12,000 kids in the Greater Sacramento Area.

We have also been preparing a Washington Lodge No. 20 historical paper to be added to a very special commemorative booklet, which will be presented to guests during the celebration of our building's cornerstone dedication centennial. And as that September event nears, we also must think about - as a Lodge - what items we would like to put in the next time capsule to be opened in the year of 2118. Items that would

represent our lodge and masons of this era as well as items that would stand the test of time are preferred. Also, we will need seven (7) volunteers from Washington Lodge No. 20 to help us with the program and activities on September 15th. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any suggestions for the time capsule or if you would like to help us with the Centennial Celebration.

Speaking of time, you will notice that our Senior Warden, Brother Jesse Solis-Jacques, will be in the East this month. It is time for him to start taking the reins of the Lodge in preparation for his term as Master in the ensuing Masonic Year. I am confident he will do a great job. Let's all support his rising to the East. This will give me and my family an opportunity to enjoy a long-awaited mini vacation in





year. It was well attended, and though the heat was a big factor, the get-together was a great success. Thank you to all who attended the event.



## 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. Jesse Solis-Jacques · Senior Warden** 



Brethren, we are half way there! Such an exciting year we had thus far! This summer has also been a hot one so please be advised to this safety announcement---With this summer heat, please drink plenty of water to prevent heat stroke and dehydration. Stay in shaded and cool areas whenever possible. Eat a well-balanced meal and get plenty of rest at least 6-8 hours recommended. Also, be aware of snakes in your neighborhoods and be careful where you step, as they tend to come out during the summer! Lastly, if you see someone who is ill or suffering from any heat-related symptoms, please seek medical attention immediately by calling 911.

One of the core values I admire is self-sacrifice to save another from suffering, pain, or potential loss of life. We have heard numerous success stories from History, and in many cultures, how many courageous men and women were willing to sacrifice their own well-being and comforts for another. Do you have a story to share? What have you done to aid another in turmoil or distress? How did you save a person's life? Was he a Mason or

never left behind

someone special in your life or maybe even a complete stranger? In Freemasonry, it is in our

nature to be humble and practice humility, thus, we may be unwilling to share our own heroic tale of our service.

If any brethren has a story to share that displayed a significant impact of bravery and courage relating to **Never Left Behind**, please contact one of the Pillar Officers before the Stated Meeting so you can have an opportunity to present it, either at the Stated Dinner, or in Lodge. If you know someone who wants to share their experiences but would like to remain anonymous, that is okay too.

These memories should never be left behind to be one day forgotten. These stories remind the youth that Hope forever lives and that Faith sparks the Strength and Wisdom to grow and gives us the **Will** 

to Never Give Up. There may be times when there are no witnesses to recognize such high levels of sacrifices. This is definitely is an important part of our

human existence to become truly aware of.

Never leaving others behind is a Moral and Social Value that reminds us that we must embrace the privilege of recognizing our scars and moments of defeat and struggles, which will show the world that humanity is always founded upon such a character. It forever teaches us that, without each other, humanity ceases to be great!

Brethren, in closing, please take every opportunity to find ways to support one another. Even the smallest gesture shapes our world in a positive way. Never forget that any amount of a sincere act of kindness, charity, and service, creates a legacy wave of immortalizing respect to all mankind!

Upcoming: The **169**<sup>th</sup> **Annual Communication** is around the corner, October 19-21. If you are able to attend this year, please sign up and register at <a href="https://www.freemason.org">www.freemason.org</a>. Thank you, brethren and sisters, for all that you do and enjoy the rest of your Summer!







## From the South

Bro. Jared Yoshiki · Junior Warden



The month of August brings evolution and change to our Lodge. Many of our Officers will move into advanced stations to prepare for the 2019 Masonic year and, to many of you, this may be as simple as seeing new faces in new places in the Lodge. In addition to the movement of Officers, the Grand Lodge of California is continuing to push the **Let's Write the Future** campaign.

This campaign is geared towards providing better medical treatment for our Brothers and their families. It also has the purpose to bestow better education

opportunities for children including sending some to college.

Washington Lodge No. 20 has been a consistent contributor to the Raising a Reader program and we strive to be active in our philanthropy with Operation Backpack and the Masons4Mitts programs. I encourage you to take a look at the promotional materials on the Grand Lodge website to learn more about the Let's Write the Future campaign and what you can do to help in this effort.

As many of our philanthropy campaigns come to a close in the next month, we should begin thinking about what else we can do to help. We will still have **Loaves and Fishes Thanksgiving** again this year, but we are always looking for new and innovative

ways that we can help our communities and families in need.

With my fellow Officers moving into our new chairs, we all know that there is much more in store for those new faces in new places. I hope that you will join us as we enter the home stretch of the 2018 Masonic year and look ahead to new and exciting things to come.

Wishing you all a wonderful month of August!



## **Give Now**

**Washington Lodge No. 20** is pleased to announce that charitable donations can now be made online by using **Square**.

The Charity Committee will keep you updated on all upcoming projects and programs.

Please visit www.washingtonlodge20.org/donate to give.

Your generous contribution will make a difference to our philanthropic programs.

Thank You for your Gift!







## Washington Lodge No. 20 2018 Officers

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# WLN20 CALENDAR

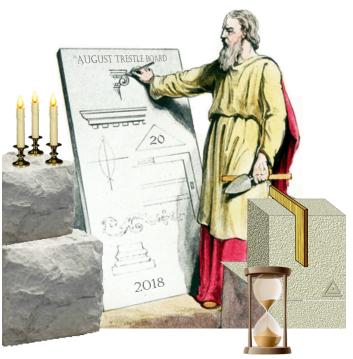
### August

- 02 Monthly Stated Meeting
  Dinner 6pm Meeting 7:30pm
- 09 Practice or Degree 7pm
- 15 Officers School of Instruction 7pm
- 16 DARK 7pm
- 23 Practice or Degree 7pm
- 30 Practice or Degree 7pm

### September

- 06 Monthly Stated Meeting
  Dinner 6pm Meeting 7:30pm
- 13 Practice or Degree 7pm
- 19 Officers School of Instruction 7pm
- 20 DARK 7pm
- 27 Constitution Observance Night 6pm

RSVP to WLN20stewards@gmail.com or 888-828-4476









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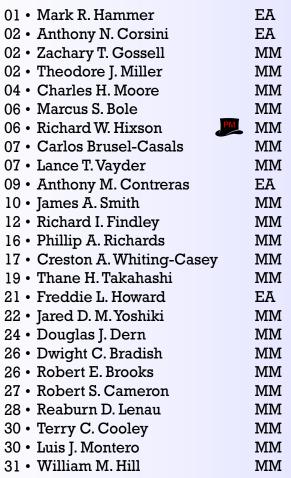


## **AUGUST**



# Mark R. Hammer EA Master Mason Anthony N. Corsini EA Anniversary Dates Theodore I. Miller MM

08 • Jeret C. Burnett	11 Years
12 • Victor U. Sanchez	8 Years
13 • Stanley D. Sanders	37 Years
14 • William D. Sherrard	19 Years
16 • Marco E. Lopez	22 Years
17 • Mark G. Friesen	16 Years
20 • Ronald J. Speno	3 Years
26 • David C. Huez	8 Years
27 • Frederick V. Hardiman	20 Years
29 • Juan C. Faranda 🎮	40 Years
30 • Heath J. Hamm	6 Years







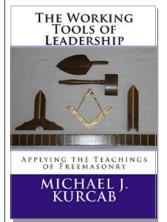


## **Your Next Read**

**Book of the Month** 

#### THE WORKING TOOLS OF LEADERSHIP

**Applying the Teachings of Freemasonry** 



The Working Tools of Leadership: Applying the Teachings of Freemasonry goes beyond typical masonic exposés and discusses leadership development using the symbolism of the working tools found in Freemasonry.

Applied to work, family and community leadership roles, the working tools can

provide valuable lessons in leadership.

This book, written through the author's experiences, combines insight into the application of the ancient symbolism of Masonic tradition with a reader's interactive journal to provide a workbook and instruction manual for future leaders of Masonic and, non-Masonic organizations alike.

Michael J. Kurcab is a loving, dedicated father, husband and an active Freemason who has held various leadership roles in the hospitality and entertainment industries since the late 1990's. He is a Past Master of Sandy Valley



Lodge No. 57. He is also a Scottish Rite Freemason.

For additional recommended titles, visit: www.washingtonlodge20.org/books

#### **CARR FIRE**



Please keep our Brethren, family and friends in Shasta and Redding in your thoughts and prayers.

We have many members of our Masonic family in the area, including Grand Master **Bruce Galloway** and family and also our Brothers from Reading Lodge No. 254 in Redding and Western Star Lodge No. 2 in Shasta.

Brother **Will Goodson** reports that somehow Western Star Lodge building still stands, but nearly everything else in the street is now gone. Over 600 structures have been destroyed.

#### LET US PRAY!

# WLN20 on soci





#### Lodge App

www.washingtonlodge20.org/apps-1



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#### YouTube

www.youtube.com/channel/UCEvUvpbyDMTOqF\_Yuhuay9g



"The roots of Masonic practices in the 20th century and beyond rested clearly in the lodges of 1723, and Freemasons' enduring belief that by the exercise of brotherly love we are taught to regard the whole human species as one great family. Freemasonry had changed, and yet it was the same. Its culture and activity were different, but a Mason from any era could be shown how the fraternity's advancements came about. And so it is today: The more we change, the more we are the same."

## MW Brother John L. Cooper, III

Past Grand Master of Masons in California





## **Masons of California**

48,119

Freemasons statewide

2,207

Degrees conferred in the last 12 months

953 Entered Apprentices initiated 661 Fellow Crafts passed 593 Master Masons raised

640

**Existing Masons affiliated with California lodges** 

4

New lodges opened in Grenada Hills, Oakland, Oceanside, and Glendale

332

Masonic Lodges in California

8

Diamond Jubilee Awards (75 years)

510

Golden Veterans Awards (50 years)

AND... MOST IMPORTANTLY







## **WLN20 Member Engagement Survey**

Our fraternal family is very important to our Lodge.

To help strengthen our relationship with you and other members, particularly those we've lost touch with, please fill out and return this survey. Your responses will be viewed by the Member Relations Committee only and will be combined with those of many others and summarized in a report to be presented in Lodge.

No personally identifiable information will be shared with other members of the Lodge, unless you voluntarily offer personal or contact information in any of the survey fields.

When was the last time you attended a Lodge event?			
☐ I am a regular ☐ In the past year	☐ About six months ago ☐ In the past few years	☐ Not for several years	
What are some of the reasons you have not attended in the past? (check all that apply)			
☐ Health problems ☐ Not interested in the event ☐ Lost interest in Freemasonry ☐ Other	☐ No transportation ☐ Worried I wouldn't know anyone ☐ Moved to a different area	<ul><li>□ Don't like going out at night</li><li>□ Financial problems</li></ul>	
Program notification from the Lodge would be more effective for me if they were by:			
☐ Phone Call ☐ Lodge App ☐ Other	☐ Email ☐ Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, etc.)	☐ Text ☐ Mail	
I would be more involved or engaged - and attend more frequently - if we had the following programs:			
☐ Educational ☐ Guest Speakers ☐ Theater Outings ☐ Outdoor Activities ☐ Family Social Events ☐ Other	☐ Community Projects ☐ Sporting Events ☐ Game Nights ☐ Brother-only Events ☐ Youth Events	<ul> <li>□ Philanthropic Events</li> <li>□ Movie Nights</li> <li>□ Cultural Events</li> <li>□ Adult Social Events</li> </ul>	
Please list any suggestions for a future lodge event.			
I'd like to serve my Lodge in the following capacities: (check all that apply)			
<ul> <li>□ Officer</li> <li>□ Event Planner</li> <li>□ Administrative assistant</li> <li>□ Hospitality</li> <li>□ Public Relations</li> <li>□ Communications (Trestle Board, Social Media, Phor</li> <li>□ Food service (organizing meals, cooking meals, etc</li> <li>□ Other</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>□ Coach/Mentor</li> <li>□ Degree Participant (Degree Team)</li> <li>□ Investigator</li> <li>□ Philanthropy</li> <li>□ Maintenance</li> </ul>	
I think our Lodge would benefit from the following:			
Name	Phone	Email	

Please mail your survey to Washington Lodge No. 20 - Member Relations Committee at 1123 J Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 or drop it off in person. The Sacramento Masonic Temple is open Monday-Friday, 8am-4pm.

To submit online, please visit <a href="www.washingtonlodge20.org/survey">www.washingtonlodge20.org/survey</a> and click the "Submit" button when finished. Contact the Lodge at <a href="www.washingtonlodge20.org/survey">www.washingtonlodge20.org/survey</a> and click the "Submit" button when finished. Contact the Lodge at <a href="www.washingtonlodge20.org/survey">www.washingtonlodge20.org/survey</a> and click the "Submit" button when finished. Contact the Lodge at <a href="www.washingtonlodge20.org/survey">www.washingtonlodge20.org/survey</a> and click the "Submit" button when finished.

Thank You.







### 169th Annual Communication: A Weekend in San Francisco October 19-21, 2018

As golden fall sunshine sweeps the colorful hills of San Francisco and gleams upon its bay, California's Masonic community will convene at the California Masonic Memorial Temple to mark another year of Freemasonry in the Golden State. Our annual homecoming is a chance to come together, to reconnect with dear friends, and to share the joy of fraternity with treasured brothers near and far. Whether it is your first Annual Communication or your 50th, you'll return home with a deep sense of appreciation for California Masonry, connections to brothers you'll call upon for years to come, and a renewed perspective of what we are capable of achieving, together.

Advanced registration is only required for those who are reserving a hotel room or special events tickets. Early purchase is recommended, as special events and discounted hotel rates are limited and will sell out.

Register Today at https://www.freemason.org/memberCenter/public/annualCommunication.htm

#### Special Event: An Evening in San Francisco Gala

Saturday, Oct. 20, 6:30-10:30 p.m.

This elegant evening will play homage to the San Francisco of yesteryear – a time of glamour and grace, culture and extravagance. Don your cocktail attire and enjoy a sumptuous dinner, awards ceremony, and live entertainment. Advance tickets required.

#### Special Event: Mad as a Hatter Luncheon

Saturday, Oct. 20, 12:00-2:00 p.m.

Masonic ladies, children, and guests will experience the magic of Wonderland during a whimsical "Alice and Wonderland"-themed luncheon. In addition to enjoying savory goodies, desserts, and drinks, your guests can flaunt their favorite headpieces in a fancy hat contest, and capture photo-booth memories. Advance tickets required.

#### **Business Sessions**

Friday, Oct. 19 - Saturday, Oct. 20

Gather amongst 1,000 esteemed brothers as we shape the future of California Masonry. Address legislation, vote on behalf of your lodge – and measure how far we've come in the past year.

#### Public Ceremonies and Installation

Sunday, Oct. 21, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Join Masonic youth and other members of our Masonic family in celebrating the official ending of the Masonic year and the beginning of the next. This historic ceremony marks our place in the progression of our Grand Lodge.

#### Exhibit Hall

Thursday, Oct. 18 – Saturday, Oct. 20

Meet members of our extended Masonic family – from Masonic youth to concordant bodies to Masonic Homes residents – and peruse an array of Masonic merchandise.







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