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From the East WM Francisco Margues



We are back! These are exciting times, Brethren...

In May, we had our first outdoor event at the **Ben Ali Shrine Center**, where we gathered for our **Annual Family BBQ Picnic** with over 100 guests. It was so nice to see Brothers, Prospects, and families enjoying the beautiful weather, games, and amazing food together. Master Chef **Bob Taylor** outdid himself once again and went above and beyond to provide us with a very tasty menu.

In June, we hosted our **Fellowship & Education Night - Trivia Night Edition** in the Club Room and witnessed Brothers and Prospects going head-to-head against the sharpest minds in the room.

Congratulations to the Champions of the trivia game, Team Quarantinis: Mr. Brandon Jenkins, Mr. Kevin Hall, Mr. Jonathan Bray, and Mr. Matt Piper! These Prospects rocked the house so much that we almost scheduled their Initiation for the next day! Followed very closely (with just one point behind!) by Team Social Quizstancing: Worshipful Phil Hardiman, Worshipful Eric Hixson, and Brother Marty Buff. Worshipful Hardiman – Champion of our previous Trivia Night – especially "loved" the Pop Culture (Entertainment) category... Not!

I would like to thank you all who attended the event and also give a big shoutout to our Brother Junior Warden, **Nick Johnston**, and Brother Stewards, **Matt Mason** and **Dave Minke**, for providing us with such delicious refreshments! Despite being in the middle of a heatwave, the Club Room was packed and the energy was amazing! The heat, however, stayed outside, for the relief of us all.

In July, we are finally back to our regular schedules. On July 1st, the fun begins at 6:00 PM when we all get together for an Independence Day Celebration Dinner. Master Chef **Bob Taylor** is working hard to give you a very special welcome back menu: Cowboy Steak, Baked Potato, Asparagus, Garlic Bread, and a mouth-watering surprise dessert! (continued on page 2)

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This event is open to WLN20 Members, Visiting Brethren, and Non-Masons Guests. Reservations are required. Please RSVP to Master@WLN20.org today.

After dinner, the Brethren will slowly and "full-bellily" head downstairs to the Lodge Room, where the Stated Meeting will take place. I am thrilled to be able to perform and experience our Masonic Ritual again. It's been too long!

A promise: The room will look, feel and sound a little different from the last Stated Meeting. I hope you enjoy the improvement. With this assurance on my part, I am confident I will see you on the sidelines for an epic return to our Masonic Life.

On July 22nd, our **Bowling with Brothers** outing returns. Please join us at 6:00 PM at the **Country Club Lanes** on the corner of Watt and El Camino Avenues.

Our Champion, Worshipful Dave Cameron, undefeated since 2018, is ready to face the challengers! And by "undefeated since 2018," I mean, we have not had any bowling competition since then. (sigh) Regardless, it is time to challenge our undefeated Champion! The stakes could not be higher...

Please RSVP to Master@WLN20.org today.



I am delighted to announce our first Initiation Ceremony of the year.

On July 29th, Brother **Thomas Ansell**'s 60th Birthday, we will be welcoming Mr. **Branden Wallich Polupan** into our Ancient and Honorable Fraternity. Mr. Polupan has been waiting for this moment since 2019 and I hope you can be there for him as he takes his first steps in his Masonic Odyssey.

6:00 PM dinner in the Banquet Room followed by Degree at 7:00 PM sharp.

Our Brother Junior Warden, **Nick Johnston**, will be directing the ceremonies. All Officers are overly excited to perform our beautiful Ritual again. If you are planning to attend dinner, please RSVP to me. This is going to be a night to remember.

In closing, Brethren, it is with excitement and gratitude that I welcome you back to the **Sacramento Masonic Temple**. The Lodge Room has an improved AC system and you will no longer be asked to pay for parking. Washington Lodge will have that covered for you – just ask me for your parking validation code.

Granted, returning to the Temple and to our activities will never be the same. It will be better! I can not wait for the opportunity and honor to see and serve you again...







From the West

∠SW Russell Tomas



This year is the 245th anniversary of our country's independence. It seems we are celebrating two instances of independence. One in our country's past and one in our country's present. We will be celebrating our nation's "birthday" and the lifting of the pandemic restrictions (a new spin on "independence").

As we move forward, we should remember that there are positive changes ahead. These positive changes, whether at the start of our country in the late 1700s or at the lifting of pandemic restrictions in 2021, could not happen without the challenges we faced and overcame. As one of the online fitness instructors said in one of the classes I took, "There is no change without challenge."

Our country would not exist without people like our **Founding Fathers**. The changes necessary to effectively create our country was fraught with challenge. They dissolved the political bands that were used to control our country, they fought a war to defend it, and framed the language that would become the "law of our land." These great men overcame many challenges, but also left room for future generations to do the same. One of my favorite quotes that describes why our Founding Fathers were great men comes from the 1994 movie With Honors.



"...they were also great men. Because they knew one thing that all great men should know: that they didn't know everything. Sure, they'd make mistakes, but they made sure to leave a way to correct them."

Our Lodge has changed for the better by overcoming the challenge of the pandemic. At the start of the pandemic when the mandates were imposed our future seemed bleak. With the leadership from our very own Worshipful **Marques** and hard work by our fellow Brothers, our Lodge was able to change in good ways. We found new ways to communicate and improved the internal workings (like our roster) of our Lodge.

There are more changes on the horizon. We will be initiating quite a few men into our fold in the next few months, improving our performance in rituals, making additional improvements to our internal business, and creating more opportunities for fellowship events. None of these changes can be attained without overcoming the necessary challenges through diligence, practice, and preparation. By emulating our Founding Fathers, we can make our Lodge better for future Brothers and leave a path for them to overcome future challenges.

Happy Fourth of July!







From the South

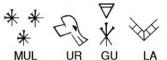
JW Nick Johnston



This month, two of our Brethren turn sixty years of age. Please help me in congratulating Brothers **Maury Hicks** and **Thomas Ansell** who will achieve this most memorable milestone in July.

We pick up on our tour of the heavens this month with the sign of Leo, which is Latin for Lion. This constellation is commonly associated with royalty, and receives this association all the way back to the Babylonians.

In earlier texts the Lion is usually called 'Mul Ur-mah' – the 'Exalted Lion', but from the middle of the 2nd millennium its name is usually written 'Mul Ur-Gu-la'



The Sumerian word was borrowed into Akkadian as urgulû.

The **Ur-sign** depicts a lion's head; it is best translated as 'large carnivore' as the sign can also refer to dogs and wolves.

The combination **Gu-la** appears to be an alternative way of writing the Sumerian word **Gal**, which simply means 'great or big'.

For the Babylonians, the constellation was known as MUL.UR.GU.LA, and was translated to "the lion," and marked the summer solstice. The Egyptians also associated the lion with royalty, and the picture below shows the lion integrated into the throne of Tutankhamun. The Greeks interpreted the constellation as one of the 12 Labors of Herakles, specifically the Nemean lion, whose impenetrable armor of fur Herakles surmounted by slaying the lion with his bare hands.

Looking back to my February column, if you were to have looked at the night sky in the times suggested, you would have looked upon Cancer at the apex of the arch in the sky. As the days of February continued on, the constellation at the apex of the ecliptic would have transitioned from Cancer to Leo. Why this particular time in February was notable is because it allowed you to gaze upon this upcoming month's sky if it was gazed upon at high noon in the year of the completion of King Solomon's temple.





Ordinarily, the brightness of the sun washes out the perception of stars in the sky, but by looking upward in the wee hours of February, it accounts for the duration of years and cycles, and allows you to see the constellations in front of their darkened backdrop.

Continuing our study of the times and seasons, we note that during this time of year, where the day length is the longest, we can readily observe the vigor of growth in the natural world. The leaves of hope, and blossoms of spring, accelerate their transformation into a blushing verdancy.

It is a wonder to behold how the long days and warm weather raise the newfound shoots of spring from the earth skyward. Since June 15th, it has been my pleasure to see many of you at some of our recent events.

Worshipful **Marques** has a wonderful schedule coming up to keep us all engaged, and like the flora of summer, we will all be abruptly raised from our dormancy very soon to a busy schedule of activity.

I look forward to seeing you there.





Washington Lodge 20



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Master Mason Anniversary Dates

08 • Floyd R. Tritt	39 Years
08 • Daniel J. Dailey	26 Years
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22 • Jerry B. Livingston-Joy	23 Years
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24 • Jason Z. Sibbring	7 Years
25 • David C. Hall	36 Years
29 • Alexander C. Chompff	11 Years





Member Birthdays

05 • Richard F. Lacoy	MM
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11 • Robert L. Cole	MM
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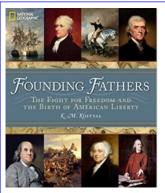


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Through Masonic principles and tradition, and by the outward expression of these through its fellowship and compassion, **Washington Lodge No.20 Free & Accepted Masons** provides ways in which to serve God, family, country, neighbors and self in an environment that contributes to the enrichment and betterment of its members, mankind, and its communities.



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The Fight for Freedom and the Birth
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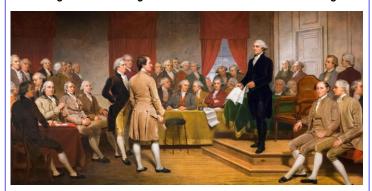
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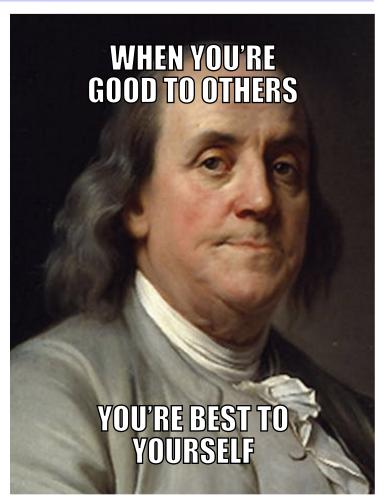
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Your prompt assistance is appreciated.





July

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THU 01 • Monthly Stated Meeting LR1 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM

THU 08 · Officers' Practice LR1 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

THU 15 · Officers' Practice LR1 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

WED 21 · OSI - Officers School of Instruction DARK

THU 22 • Bowling with Brothers
Country Club Lanes 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

THU 29 • First Degree Dinner
Banquet Room 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

THU 29 • First Degree - Mr. Branden Polupan LR1 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

August

THU 05 • Sacramento History Celebration Dinner Banquet Room 6:00 PM - 7:15 PM

THU 05 • Monthly Stated Meeting LR1 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM

THU 12 · Officers' Practice LR1 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

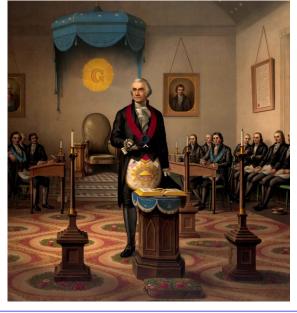
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