

## TRESTLE BOARD

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

November 2016

**Staying Connected** 

Our 166th



#### From the East: Worshipful Scott Goode



This year is flying by at the speed of light. Elections are almost upon us and a new line of officers will form and start a new year with new ideas. If you want to be a part of the election process or just want to see who your leaders will be next year, then please attend the November stated meeting which will be held on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. The 2016 line of officers have proven to be an exceptional band of Brothers who have exemplified the craft, shown charity and Brotherly love. I have no doubt they will continue to show initiative and inspire Washington 20 to new heights as they move into their new positions and acquire new officers to serve in the line.

This year's Ladies Night will be held on November 5<sup>th</sup>. It looks to be a grand affair that our Senior Warden Victor Sanchez has planned and organized for us to enjoy. Please make every effort to attend as we will honor one of our Past Masters who has been a Master Mason for 60 years.

We have a new Brother. His name is Virgil Johnson. He was initiated into our great fraternity on October 13<sup>th</sup>. He is a good man and I am sure he will create a strong bond with Washington 20. When you see him next please shake his hand, call him Brother and welcome him into our lodge.

The Wardens and I will have attended the Annual Communications by the time you receive the November Trestle Board. We will report on activities and legislation results in the December Trestle Board.

The holidays are a short time away. As we give thanks and spend time with our family and friends, let us not forget about those that are less fortunate than ourselves. Please contact our charity Chairman, Brother Jared Yoshiki and ask how you can give and support the programs that we support. Also send your prayers to our Brothers and Sisters who sacrifice their time and lives while serving in foreign countries away from their families. Also to those that protect us locally in our city and county as we enjoy time with our loved ones while they watch over us away from Theirs.

The November Stated Meeting will be my last time in the East as Master of Washington 20 for this year. It is traditional for the Senior Warden to run a Stated Meeting at least once before his year as Master. Please come and support him as he represents me and our lodge. Lynne I will be on Vacation, so any business correspondence for December should go to the Senior Warden.



## From the West

Victor U Sanchez, Sr. Warden



You say it is November already??!! How time flies when we are having fun! This past year has been one of many ups and downs, a roller coaster ride at times, but mostly straight rails with smooth turns. It has been a great year, led by Worshipful Scott Goode and his team of great officers. They are a tribute to the lodge and an example of how officers and brothers should ever meet and act.

I would like to congratulate every brother who has stepped up and taken a part in our ritual, events and training of our EAs, FCs and MMs as they travel though their respective degrees. To the officers, you have been an inspiration to your brethren and have practiced those tenants of brotherly love and affection through your example. I congratulate you!

This last month, we had the privilege of admitting into our fraternity Brother Virgil Johnson who was initiated as the youngest Entered Apprentice on October 13th; welcome my brother. Your journey has begun and we are here to help you achieve your goal.

The pillar officers attended the Annual Communication in San Francisco October 28-30<sup>th</sup> and voted on a variety of issues which will affect the fraternity. The results of those votes are not yet known but will be published in future months. Hopefully, we have done a great job and will lead the fraternity into the future.

On November 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM we will celebrate our Ladies of the Lodge at our Annual Ladies Night. This year's color theme is black and white; let your imagination go wild or keep it simple. Those organizing this event have gone to great lengths to make this premier event memorable for those in attendance. Music will be commemorating the Big Band Era with some modern twists and turns. The highlight of the night will be a special presentation to our own Ray Lenau who has been a staunch Mason and leader within our fraternity in general and a leader and mentor of Washington 20 in particular. Please take the time to attend this event and join us in celebrating the life and time of our Brother Ray Lenau, PM extraordinaire.

Speaking of events, October 14-16th saw our first lodge camping trip take place at the Gold Country Resort Campground in Pine Grove, Ca. Plans had been set, payments made and all was set for a great event. We however forgot to inform Mother Nature of the event and she started crying giant tears! And, although it was not a total washout, it was pretty wet! Some of us ventured into the wild and even managed to take a walk in between down pours. Maybe we should have done it earlier in the season, maybe next year we will? Notwithstanding all the rain, we did manage to have a good time and Jared opened his traveling home to us and we enjoyed good company and comradery. And, we talked about those who cancelled, albeit in a good light!

Next month will be busy with elections and several degrees scheduled. Please attend the Stated Meeting and cast your votes, come to the degree nights and help us welcome our brethren as they continue their Masonic journeys. There is nothing better than for a brother to be welcomed as he continues to progress.





## From the South

Luis | Montero, Jr. Warden



#### The Temple of Solomon

The first Temple of the Jews was called hecal Jehovah or beth Jehovah, the Palace or the House of Jehovah, to indicate its splendor and magnificence, and that it was intended to be the perpetual dwelling-place of the Lord. It was King David who first proposed to substitute for the Nomadic Tabernacle a permanent place of worship for his people; but although he had made the necessary arrangements, and even collected many of the materials, he was not permitted to commence the undertaking, and the execution of the task was left to his son and successor, Solomon.

Accordingly, that monarch laid the foundations of the edifice in the fourth year of his reign, 1012 B.C., and, with the assistance of his friend and ally, Hiram, King of Tyre, completed it in about seven years and a half, dedicating it to the service of the Most High in 1004 B.C. This was the year of the world 3000, according to the Hebrew chronology; and although there has been much difference among chronologists in relation to the precise date, this is the one that has been generally accepted, and it is therefore adopted by Freemasons in their calculations of different epochs.

The Temple stood on Mount Moriah, one of the eminences of the ridge which was known as Mount Zion, and which was originally the property of Ornan the Jebusite, who used it as a threshing-floor, and from whom it was purchased by David for the purpose of erecting an altar on it. The Temple retained its original splendor for only thirty-three years. In the year of the world 3033, Shishak, King of Egypt, having made war upon Rehoboam, King of Judah, took Jerusalem, and carried away the choicest treasures.

From that time to the period of its final destruction the history of the Temple is but a history of alternate spoliations and repairs, of profanations to idolatry and subsequent restorations to the purity of worship. One hundred and thirteen years after the conquest of Shishak, Joash, King of Judah, collected silver for the repairs of the Temple, and restored it to its former condition in the year of the world 3148. In the year 3264, Ahaz, King of Judah, robbed the Temple of its riches, and gave them to Tiglath-Pileser, King of Assyria, who had united with him in a war against the Kings of Israel and Damascus. Ahaz also profaned the Temple by the worship of idols. In 3276, Hezekiah, the son and successor of Ahaz, repaired the portions of the Temple which his father had destroyed, and restored the pure worship. But fifteen years after he was compelled to give the treasures of the Temple as a ransom to Sennacherib, King of Assyria, who had invaded the land of Judah. But Hezekiah is supposed, after his enemy had retired, to have restored the Temple.

Manasseh, the son and successor of Hezekiah, fell away to the worship of Sahianism, and desecrated the Temple in 3306 by setting up altars to the host of heaven. Manasseh was then conquered by the King of Babylon, who in 3328 carried him beyond the Euphrates. But subsequently repenting of his sins he was released from captivity, and having returned to Jerusalem he destroyed the idols, and restored the Altar of Burnt-Offerings. In 3380, Josiah, who was then King of Judah, devoted his efforts to the repairs of the Temple, portions of which had been demolished or neglected by his predecessors, and replaced the Ark in the Sanctuary. In 3398, in the reign of Jehoiakim, Nebuchadnezzar, then King of Chaldea, carried a part of the sacred vessels to Babylon. Seven years afterward, during the reign of Jeehoniah, he took away another lot; and finally, in 3416, in the eleventh year of the reign of Zedekiah, he took the city of Jerusalem, and entirely destroyed the Temple, and carried many of the inhabitants captives to Babylon.

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# **Stated Meeting November 3, 2016**

5:00 PM Social 6:00 PM Dinner 7:00 PM Stated Meeting

RSVP by November 1, 2016 at 6:00PM (888) 828-4476 "Waste Not, Want Not"

#### **November Schedule**

November 3 - Stated Meeting

November 5 - Ladies Night

November 9 - Education & Fellowship

November 10 - Dark

November 17 - Dark

November 22 - OSI

November 24 - Dark - Thanksgiving



#### **Looking Ahead**

December 1 - Stated Meeting

December 8 - Installation of Officer Practice

December 11 - Annual Installation of Officers

December 15 - TBD

December 22 - TBD

December 27 - OSI

December 29 - TBD/Dark

www.freemason.org/memberCenter/ secured/forms.htm The Social Media Contest has come to an end. After a three month contest spanning across all of our Social Media platforms we have a winner.

Congratulations to our Winner: Jon Isaacson, PM

#### Our runners up were:

Victor Sanchez & Dave Minke

Jon Isaacson, PM, will be receiving a \$25 Gift Card to Starbucks, and both Victor and Dave will receive a \$10 gift each.

Thank you to all who participated, and be sure to look out for our next contest beginning in January.













Congratulations



Welcome Bro. Virgil Johnson
Initiated Oct. 13, 2016
by Bro. Jesse Solis Jaques
as the newest
Entered Apprentice Mason
of the lodge

### 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.



# Washington Lodge 20

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Date: 11/5/2016

Time: 5:30 9M

# Annual Ladies Night

# ABlack & White Affair



## Big Band Era Music

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Dinner Menu

Appetizer

Soup

Salad

Entre

Cheese crackers and antipasto Potato Leek

Caesar Salad Reasted Tri-Tip

Chicken Picatta

## Chocolate Cake and Coffee

Please make your reservations early, \$40.00 per person, \$50.00 at the door. Member's wives and widows Free

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The Temple was originally built on a very hard rock, encompassed with frightful precipices. The foundations were laid very deep, with immense labor and expense. It was surrounded with a wall of great height, exceeding in the lowest part four hundred and fifty feet, constructed entirely of white marble.

The body of the Temple was in size much less than many a modern parish church, for its length was but ninety feet, or, including the porch, one hundred and five, and its width but thirty. It was its outer court, its numerous terraces, and the magnificence of its external and internal decorations, together with its elevated position above the surrounding dwellings which produced that splendor of appearance that attracted the admiration of all who beheld it, and gives a color of probability to the legend that tells us how the Queen of Sheba, when it first broke upon her view, exclaimed in admiration, "A most excellent Master must have done this!"

The Temple itself which consisted of the porch, the Sanctuary, and the Holy of Holies, was but a small part of the edifice on Count Moriah. It was surrounded with spacious courts, and the whole Structure occupied at least half a mile circumference. Upon passing through the outer wall, you came to the first Court, called the Court of the Gentiles, because the Gentiles were admitted into it, but were prohibited from passing farther. It was surrounded by a range of porticoes or cloisters, above which were galleries or apartments, supported by pillars of white marble. Passing through the Court of the Gentiles, you entered the Court of the Children of Israel, which was separated by a low stone wall, and an ascent of fifteen steps, into two divisions, the outer one being occupied by the women, and the inner by the men Here the Jews were in the habit of resorting daily for the purposes of prayer.

Within the Court of the Israelites, and separated from it by a wall one cubit in height, was the Court of the Priests. In the-center of this Court was the Altar of Burnt-Offerings, to which the people brought their oblations and sacrifices, but none but the Priests were permitted to enter it. From this court, twelve steps ascended to the Temple, Strictly so called, which as we have already said, was divided into three parts, the Porch, the Sanctuary, and the Holy of Holies. The Porch of the Temple was twenty cubits in length, and the same in breadth. At its entrance was a gate made entirely of Corinthian brass, the most precious metal known to the ancients. Besides this gate there were the two pillars Jachin and Boaz, which had been constructed by Hiram Abif, the architect whom the King of Tyre had sent to Solomon.

From the porch you entered the Sanctuary by a portal, which, instead of folding doors, was furnished with a magnificent veil of many colors, which mystically represented the universe. The breadth of the sanctuary was twenty cubits, and its length forty, or just twice that of the porch and Holy of Holies. It occupied, therefore, one-half of the body of the Temple. In the Sanctuary were placed the various utensils necessary for the daily worship of the Temple, such as the Altar of Incense, on which incense was daily burnt by the officiating Priest; the ten Golden Candlesticks; and the ten Tables on which the offerings were laid previous to the sacrifice. The Holy of Holies, or innermost chamber, was separated from the Sanctuary by doors of olive, richly sculptured and inlaid with gold, and covered with veils of blue, purple, scarlet, and the finest linen. The size of the Holy of Holies was the same as that of the porch, namely, twenty cubits square. It contained the Ark of the Covenant, which had been transferred into it from the Tabernacle, with its overshadowing Cherubim and its Mercy-Seat. Into the most sacred place, the High Priest alone could enter, and that only once a year, on the Day of Atonement.

Source: Mackey's Encyclopedia of Freemasonry