



# TRESTLEBOARD

NEWSLETTER OF WASHINGTON LODGE No. 20.

November 2009

To Make Good Men Better

OUR 157th YEAR



## From the West

Joseph Dongo, Sr. Warden

## Ladies Night 2009

Saturday, November 14, 2009

Masonic Temple Ballroom

6:30 pm to 9:30 pm

We had a fine degree on September 17, 2009 when Bro Victor Hugo Sanchez was initiated. Please join me on welcoming our new brother.

Not long ago, I gave you a heads up that I will be sending the Lodge Strategic Plan out for your perusal. What I did on September 14, 2009. By email. However, I realized some of you do not have email and so did not receive the information. Below is the same Washington Lodge No.20 draft Strategic Plan as previously emailed.

Thank you to all those who have already sent back their comments and suggestions. For those who have yet to respond, please send your review comments before November 15, 2009 close of business. We seriously need to hear from you. You may email me your comments at [alacabo@gmail.com](mailto:alacabo@gmail.com) or mail them at:

Washington Lodge #20, F & A M of California  
P.O. Box 221788 (95822)  
1123 J Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

Concerning email addresses and telephone numbers, we will be sending you a reminder to update your information when our Bro. the Secretary sends out the dues notification next month. That helps to access you and communicate with you on the various issues and opportunities that inevitably will come our way down the road. Please look out to update your personal information.

### STRATEGIC PLAN

#### PUBLIC AWARENESS

By working in concert with other Masonic bodies to sponsor and participate in public information events.  
To be involved in the public dedication of cornerstone laying ceremonies.

#### LODGE VITALITY

Membership growth  
Develop a Masonic education program  
Strive for ritual excellence  
Engage in various community activities  
Plan a program of social activities  
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#### VISION

Freemasonry is the world's first and largest fraternal organization. As one of the oldest lodges in California, Washington Lodge No.20 F&A M, aims to improve and maintain the moral character of its members.

It is with great of pleasure that the Master and Brethren of Washington Lodge #20 present for your enjoyment, Ladies Night 2009.

The Dinner, 6:30pm to 9:30pm, is in the ballroom, at our own Masonic Temple, 1123 J street, Sacramento 95814.

Worshipful Dick Pullen requests your attendance as we assemble to honor the most valuable of our treasures, the Wives, Widows, and special Ladies in our lives.

*Please join us in the spirit of Christmas. That magical season when we feel the gladness in our heart, and a new found youthfulness in our spirit. This year we request you bring one gift, either as a couple, or individually to be donated to the Shriners Hospital for Children Northern California.*

Dinner is \$30.00 for all Gentlemen. Ladies are exempt from any cost. Rides and RSVP arranged by David Cameron, 916-359-5335.

Make your reservations today by calling the Washington Lodge Reservation line: 888-828-4476

David H. Cameron, Chairman

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From the West contd.

#### MISSION

To attract, develop, and involve good men in the practice of freemasonry and enhance the quality of life in our community.

#### GOALS

Involve and retain membership  
Improve committees' management and communication

#### LEADERSHIP

Make maximum use of Grand Lodge training programs

#### RELIEF

Identify accrued funds for brotherly and community relief

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## Stated Meeting Dinner - Thursday, November 5th

Social Hour 5:15PM - Dinner 6:15PM a D.D.&D hearty meal, with Joan & Barbara's deserts - Stated Meeting 7:30PM

**RSVP Please to: 888-828-4476, by November 2, 2009**

# The 2009 Washington Lodge Officers

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## A Special Evening

with

## Mark Tabbert

Monday, November 9, 2009

### Masonic Temple

12th & J Streets

7:00 pm

Tony Wordlow, PGM and President of the George Washington Masonic Memorial has arranged for kauthor and Curator of the Masonic and Fraternal Collections of the Scottish Rite Heritage Museum, Mark Tabbert to speak on Masonry. Mark has authored "American Freemasonry, Three Centuries of Building Communities" and appeared on the History Channel.

With all of the interest in Dan Brown's book "The Lost Symbol" I am sure that the evening will be filled with interest and intrigue.

The event is sponsored by the Sacramento Masonic Temple Association and is open to Masons, Fellowcraft, entered Apprentices, Ladies and Guests. It is FREE of charge.

Reservations are essential for planning. Please RSVP to: Tony or Marilyn Wordlow and 421-9138



## Secretary's Desk

Jon Isaacson, PM

### November Birthdays

Eric W. Hixson - November 1, 1969  
Gerald W. Van Wagner, Sr. - November 3, 1931  
Leonard A. Schweitzer - November 5, 1930  
Richard L. Rose - November 5, 1932  
Todd J. Barnes - November 6, 1960  
Jon C. Hechtman - November 10, 1932  
Labib F. Doumit - November 10, 1948  
John A. Djubek - November 11, 1953  
Frederick St. Vrain Rickard - November 12, 1931  
Donald A. White - November 13, 1935  
James L. Ramey - November 23, 1973  
Donald K. Ling - November 25, 1929  
Arthur S. Henrikson - November 25, 1938  
Joshua J. Pane - November 27, 1958  
Ray W. Lenau - November 28, 1930  
V. A. Winter, Jr. - November 28, 1937  
Tim R. Tyler - November 28, 1946  
Victor J. Novak - November 28, 1955  
Leroy Wigginton, Jr. - November 30, 1925

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### MEMBER PROFILE

## Paul F. Hart

October 2009

Thoughts on being a 50 year member of Washington Lodge #20, F&AM

I came from a family with strong Masonic roots, my father having received his 75 year pin from Howard Lodge in Yreka shortly after his 96th birthday. Like him, I had hoped to become a Mason when I turned 21. However, after serving my military commitment, obtaining my university degree, beginning a business career and starting a family, I was unable to join the craft until I was approximately 30 years of age. At that time, it was my desire to be active and continue on with advanced degrees culminating with membership in the Shrine. A turn of events arose that changed my priorities of time and location.

Shortly after I received my 3rd degree, I was appointed an officer in my chosen business and began my rise up the corporate ladder. That action necessitated some 9 moves over the next 27 years with involvement in a myriad of business and civic organizations that did not leave much free time. As a result, any sort of meaningful active Masonic life through my lodge or any other was virtually impossible.

Over the years, while my activity has been limited, the teachings of the craft have provided the basic tenets of my business and personal life. I truly believe in brotherly love and truth in my personal life, with honesty and integrity in all my business endeavors. Sadly, these are attributes that appear to be sorely lacking in today's business and political climate.

I found it refreshing to meet as many young men as I did on the occasion of my 50-year celebration earlier this month. It pleases me to know that Freemasonry is alive and well in Washington Lodge #20. Thanks to all who participated in this celebration and provided such a good meal, fellowship, and program.