



TRESTLEBOARD
Salinas Masonic Lodge
F&AM #204

September 2015



Salinas Masonic Lodge F&AM #204 2015 Officers



Master
Senior Warden
Junior Warden
Secretary
Treasurer
Chaplain
Senior Deacon
Junior Deacon
Marshall
Senior Steward
Junior Steward
Tyler
Officers Coach
Inspector

Thomas Crompton, P.M (Nanci)
Dennis Smith, P.M (Sun)
Jonathan Wong (Ana)
David Isaac, P.M (Karen)
Andrew J. Bonfield
John Williams, P.M (Lan)
Jamcee Castro
Mark Washburn
Orlando Jimenez
John Mungia
Michael Chasen (Carli)
Ron Wilmoth, P.M (Doris)
Samson Mante, P.M (Julia)
B.J. McCuiston, P.M



FROM THE EAST

Brethren and Friends,

The events at our August stated meeting were both well-attended and outstanding. Not only did we have an outstanding dinner, but great fellowship and a fine time was had by all. I had an opportunity to speak about our fraternity's history from prior to 1717 to more recent events. Ancient history, but quite interesting about the history of our fraternity and the foundations of the craft. Many thanks to our Senior Warden, Dennis Smith, Senior Deacon, Jonathan Wong and the stewards committee, who planned and presented a delicious Dinner with all the trimmings for our stated meeting dinner.

For those of you who didn't hear, Worshipful Jon Pariser, PM was involved in a serious traffic collision in Wyoming last month. He is convalescing now at the Forest Hill Manor in Pacific Grove and appreciates visitors. Call ahead. Prayers for Jon's health and quick recovery.

Please try to make it to our October Stated Meeting dinner and enjoy both the dinner and the fellowship the goes with it. We will discuss the legislation that passed and was deferred during Grand Lodge.

Officers and Candidates: Worshipful Sam Mante, PM. Officers Coach and I are both available just about any time for our upcoming officers to learn their ritual. Keep up the hard work so we can be ready in the Fall for qualifications.

We have had some interest from non-members in joining our Lodge. They have been invited to the next stated meeting dinner and I encourage all members who see a new face to greet them and get to know them. We are always seeking new membership applications so if you know of a likely candidate, please invite him to a dinner so we can get to know them too.

And always remember, "Tuesday Night is Lodge Night!"

Thomas C. Crompton, PM

Master of Salinas Lodge #204





FROM THE WEST

Ladies and Brethren,

August was a very busy month for us all especially our Hall Association. Our stoves have been repaired and are now in top shape after many years of neglect and abuse.

We are still in process of getting estimates for west wall repair. At the beginning of August your Hall Assn. received word that there had been a directive from Grand Lodge in 2010 or there about that the word "Temple" be removed from the building and be replaced with "Center." This was either forgotten or ignored previously but is being changed as required at present.

Our HVAC system is being inspected and will be repaired and maintained as needed as it has been in bad shape for many years. Hopefully, we will be reading several petitions for membership at either our September or October Meeting so 204 is on the move again. We do, however, need to start preparing for degree work coming up.

A reminder, elections are coming up for our 2016 line of officers and we need to insure all members are afforded the opportunity to vote and this can only be done by maximum attendance in Lodge as your vote is important.

Our September Stated Meeting dinner is gratis (no charge) and the menu is as follows:

Appetizers

Hamburgers/Cheeseburgers to order.

Real French fries

Fixings, lettuce, tomato's, onions ETC.

Dessert

Wine, Beer, Coffee ETC.

I have gotten so many calls, emails and questions about the strawberry shortcake at our August dinner so I guess it was good. There was no recipe, I just threw together, but here is what I used:

Fresh strawberries, quartered and sugared then refrigerated for at least 2 hours.

Individual pound cakes from Costco (topped) there are 12 in a package and can be frozen.

Glaze: From Save Mart in produce section (not prepared in jar) but a package and just add hot water.

Whipped cream

That's it, simple and inexpensive and apparently good.

We are considering reinstating our New Years extravaganza and will be sending out info soon but doing it will be based on response from YOU! So please reply.

Dennis Smith, P.M

Senior Warden





FROM THE SOUTH

Brethren,

Summer is over or just about...and it's time to start preparations for the many events coming up. I can't emphasize enough the importance of welcoming a potential new brother into the fraternity. As we have several applicants currently under review, we need to prepare ourselves to execute an unforgettable ceremony for the new initiates when the time is right. Let's practice and work on the areas we need to work on. WM Tom and WB Sam are always available for assistance if needed. I will help where I can as well. Just call, text, or e-mail.

On a lighter side of events, we might possibly have a New Year's function and will need attendance and assistance. These events are not only fellowship for us brothers, widows, and orphans but opportunities to show other lodges and outside members how much fun we can have. As always, we'll have great food prepared by WB Dennis and the kitchen staff with great music handled by WB Sam. This is an opportunity for you dancing brothers to follow the advice of the great philosopher Silento and "watch me whip, now watch me nae nae"...and to "do the stanky leg". Please make yourselves available and plan on attending. And most importantly, plan on having a good time.

As WM Tom pointed out, when we have nonmembers attending our stated dinners, please introduce yourself and welcome them with open arms. I recall when I first walked into a stated dinner as a non-mason, I was greeted by nearly all members and that left a lasting impression upon me. Entering any unfamiliar territory can be a challenge in itself, let's welcome everyone and show them what we are all about...not the stanky leg or nae nae but brotherly love.

Many thanks to all the brothers for their active participation on the stated dinners, meetings, and all other social events.

Let's keep at it

Fraternally,

Jonathan Wong

Acting Junior Warden



Solemn Strikes The Funeral Chime

IN MEMORIUM:

BROTHER WILLIAM PENDLETON DUNCAN

BORN: DECEMBER 26, 1925

INITIATED: AUGUST 17, 1976

PASSED: OCTOBER 26, 1976

RAISED: DECEMBER 7, 1976

ENTERED INTO REST: AUGUST 15, 2015



Masonic Education:

The term Warden is derived from the Middle English word "wardein" and from the Anglo-French word wardein, gardein, from warden to guard dated around the 13th century.

The word, Warden, has many different meanings in today's world. Its basic meaning is one having care or in charge of something with supervisory duties or with the enforcement of specified laws or regulations.

1. To **assist the Worshipful Master** in the performance of his duties.
2. To **discharge those duties** which ancient usage has assigned to the station of the Junior Warden.
3. During the absence of the Worshipful Master and the Senior Warden, **to succeed and be in charge with all the powers and duties of the Worshipful Master.**
4. To **prefer charges** against a Mason guilty of un-Masonic conduct and present such charges to the Master of the Lodge.
5. To be responsible for all **refreshments** served at the Lodge.
6. To keep an **attendance record** for all Lodge functions whereby refreshments are served. (an ongoing count which is necessary to plan for future events in order to insure there is the correct amount of food and supplies ordered)
7. To serve as **Committee Chairman for the Refreshment and Entertainment Committee** along with the Senior and Junior Stewards.
8. To serve either as a **Committee Chairman or Member** of any committee that the Worshipful Master may request his services.
9. To **assist the Senior Warden** with the execution of his duties as required.
10. To **attend all Lodge functions** (Stated or Called, Lodge social events and other Lodge Functions).
11. To **attend the Grand Lodge Annual Communication.**

Like all other officers of the Masonic lodge, the Junior Warden's understanding and performance of his duties creates harmony within the lodge and promotes the brotherhood of its members.



Calendar of Events:

Tuesday, September 1, 2015, Lodge Practice	7:30 PM
Tuesday, September 8, 2015, Stated Meeting, Preview Grand Lodge Proposals, Dinner	6:00 PM
Stated Meeting	7:30 PM
<u>Tuesday, September 15, 2015, Lodge Practice</u>	<u>7:30 PM</u>
<u>Tuesday, September 22, 2015, Lodge (Possible Degree)</u>	<u>7:30 PM</u>
<u>Tuesday, September 29, Lodge Practice</u>	
October 9, 10 & 11' 2015, 166 th Grand Lodge Communication, San Francisco	
<u>Tuesday, October 13, Stated Meeting, Review Grand Lodge Legislation</u>	
Dinner:	6:00 PM
Stated Meeting	7:30 PM
<u>Tuesday, October 20, 2015, Lodge</u>	<u>7:30 PM</u>
<u>Tuesday, October 27, 2015, Lodge</u>	<u>7:30 PM</u>
<u>Tuesday, November 3, 2015, Lodge</u>	<u>7:30 PM</u>
<u>Tuesday, November 10, 2015, Stated Meeting, Officer's Elections</u>	
Dinner:	6:00 PM
Meeting and Elections:	7:30 PM



CONCORDANT BODIES

WATSONVILLE COMMANDERY #22,

JOB'S DAUGHTERS, BETHEL 230 (Meetings on the first and third Wednesdays of each month.)

Wednesday, September 2, 2015, Jobs Daughters Meeting

Wednesday, September 16, 2015, Jobs Daughters Meeting

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Reveille Chapter #47. Meetings on the first and third Mondays of the month at 7:30 PM

At Salinas Lodge, 48 San Joaquin Street, Salinas, CA 93901

Monday, September 7, 2015, Dark

Monday, September 19, 2015, Monterey Bay Event, 12 Noon

Seascape Clubhouse, 610 Clubhouse Drive, Aptos, CA Price \$23,00 each.

Monday, September 21, 2015, 7:00 PM: Stated Meeting - School Days

Monday, October 5, 2015, 7:00 PM: Elections – Red, White & Blue

Monday, October 18, 2015. DARK

Monday, November 2, 2015, 7:00 PM: Farewell & Grand Chapter Reports

Saturday, November 7, 2015, 2:00 PM: Installation of Officers.

LIVING PAST MASTERS OF SALINAS LODGE 204:

Nick G. Cominos, P.M.	1972 & 1983 (803)
Robert L. Dani P.M.	1979 (803)
Fred Roel, Jr., P.M.	1980
Dennis D. Stephans, P.M.	1980 (803)
James Carpenter, P.M.	1981
Ernest L. Cunningham, P.M.	1983
Thomas C. Crompton, P.M.	1985
Danny McCabe, P.M.	1986
Leroy W. Blankenship, P.M.	1987
Lawrence Chapman, Jr. P.M.	1989
John David Isaac, P.M.	1998
Roger King, P.M.	1997
Ron Wilmoth, P.M.	2001
Bruce M. Campbell, P.M.	2002
Dennis R. Smith, P.M.	2004, 2005
Samson Mante, P.M.	2006
Frederick W. Hughes, P.M.	1996, 2003, 2007, 2008, 2009
Robert Gentry, P.M.	2010, 2011, 2012
Jon Pariser, P.M.	2013, 2014



PAST MASTERS BY AFFILIATION:

Jim Myers, P.M.	203
John A. Williams, P.M.	217
Cecil F. Abrams, Sr., PM	1981 (680)
James E. Bradley, P.M.	2008 (680)