



APRIL 2020

Important COVID – 19 Information

The Trestleboard

Salinas Lodge #204

Serving the greater Salinas area since 1869

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From the East



Brothers and Friends of Salinas Lodge

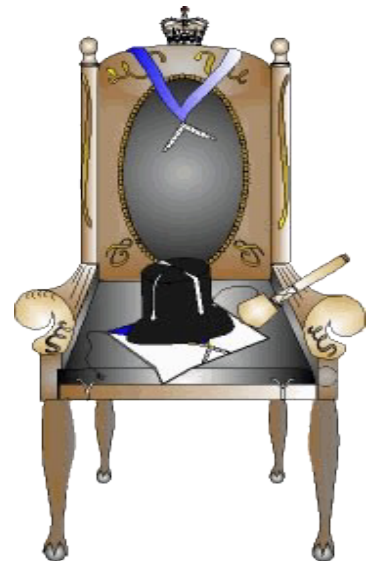
Hope everyone is weathering this quarantine/shelter-in-place well and that you've not caught the COVID-19 virus.

Based on instructions from the Grand Lodge, The State of California and the County of Monterey, it appears that we will not be able to hold any Masonic activities or meetings for the foreseeable future. This would include Stated Meetings. Accordingly, we will simply have an electronic stated meeting for the elected officers to pay our bills and will defer all other matters to our next regularly scheduled stated meeting, hopefully on May 12. That is our goal anyhow.

In the meantime, the lodge is dark and all masonic activities have been cancelled.

I know that this is not great, not being able to meet together. It's what we do. But let's stay healthy and try to keep tabs on one another. If you know of a brother in need, reach out to our brethren and the lodge. Also, Grand Lodge has set up a masonic charity to help out our brethren in need. The Grand Master has sent this notification out to all masons in California.

Fraternally,
Thomas C. Crompton, PM
Master, Salinas Lodge #204



From the West



Happy April Brethren!

I hope everyone is being safe and that you and your families are well.

In light of COVID 19 and the order for us to shelter in place...we will not be having a stated meeting dinner this month.

Please be safe and I look forward to us all getting together again soon.

Mike Chasen
Senior Warden



From the South



Brethren,

First off, I hope everyone is healthy and staying indoors and away from the dangers that are COVID 19. The world is troubling at this time with markets, stores, and the economy closed down. The most important thing is that we all stay safe and healthy.

While we are away from lodge, please check in with one another. Freemasonry is the oldest and greatest fraternity because of our principle tenets: brotherly love, relief, and truth. Let's show our brotherly love for one another and touch bases to ensure everything is ok.

I pray for the world to resume and the dangers in front of us to pass swiftly without impacting us any further. If I may be of assistance to any of the brethren, please reach out.

Stay safe.
Fraternally,
Sam Mante, PM
Junior Warden



FROM OUR DISTRICT INSPECTOR



The following was discussed during the Division 3 Inspectors conference call last evening. If you want further info let me know.

- Grand Master's Mason of the Year Award program. Do you want to participate? If so your essay of recommendation for a candidate must be submitted to the District Inspector no later than June 1, 2020 and then to AGL NLT July 1, 2020;
- Do you want to participate in the GM's Lodge Sister Program? Get feedback from your members.

Read up on the program on Grand Lodge web site.

- Do you want to have an Obligation Renewal Ceremony in District 353? In conjunction with reinstatement of a suspended member... Ritual is on GL web site. GM will participate!
- Master Mason SOI conducted by Grand Lecturer on 7/11/2020 @ 09:00 in Modesto Lodge and on 5/30/2020 in Bakersfield. A head count is required if anyone plans to attend either or both.
- Participation in Ritual competition program. Application to Inspector ASAP. WM work at the Altar in all 3 degrees. Applicants must demonstrate work to Inspector before application is forwarded to AGL NLT 1 June 2020.

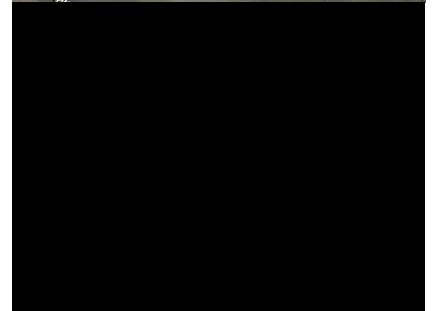
Use common sense; Be safe
Thanks for your service

B.J. McCuiston, Inspector
353rd Masonic District

Upcoming Events & Announcements

- **April 2020: Dark**
- Tuesday, May 5, 2020, Stated Meeting of Carmel Lodge. Dinner at 6:00, Open at 7:30.
- Tuesday, May 12, 2020, Stated Meeting and Dinner. 6:30: Dinner. 7:30: Stated Meeting.

Greetings from Job's Daughters Bethel No. 230 Salinas



This has been a very time for Job's Daughters Bethel No. 230 Salinas. February started out with the reception for our Grand Bethel Officer, Emily Salsburg Grand Bethel Junior Princess 2019-2020. The theme was "There is a princess inside us all." The girls had so much fun planning this reception in the months prior as well as the day when they surprised her with tutus, and she had to answer trivia questions. Thank you to everyone who attended to support our Grand Bethel Officer.

Later that month the girls attended "Disney on Ice" in San Jose. They had a lot of fun dressing up in their Disney best and enjoying the show. The girls then had a formal shopping day. They had a fashion show with every formal they tried on, and even got a matching sister formal picture. They had tons of fun and new outfits.

It seems every month at the "Bring Your Families to Lodge Night" grows more and more. This past lodge dinner in March, we had several of the girls bring a friend and even had Kinley and Kailey join us. The girls had way too much fun creating and playing with the slime. Although, Council may want to suggest some less messy crafts in the future. Please be sure to invite your family to the next lodge meeting, hopefully on May 12th.

These are some unique times we are living in right now. Unfortunately, all Bethel activities have been suspended until May 31st with the issues of COVID-19, this does mean that there will be no Mother's Day Rose sale this year. This doesn't mean that the girls will not be able to have fun. We hosted our first ever Bethel meeting online via zoom and the girls had a lot of fun seeing each other through this shelter in place. We will be conducting our regular meetings online during this time. Council is even working on ways we can have Bethel activities during this time so the girls can still have fun and see their sisters.

We still have a few fundraisers going on at this time. Our silent auction has been extended until May 12th. We are updating our [auction site](#) all the time with new items. Please let us know if you can donate something – Anything! We can even give you helpful ideas, please click the link to email jobsdaughterssalinas@gmail.com Thank you!

Sincerely,
Tiana Mohondro
Bethel Guardian No. 230 Salinas
Past Honored Queen Bethel No. 1 Dublin



Social Media

Facebook Page:
Job's Daughters, Bethel
No. 230, Salinas

Instagram:
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Masonic Homes of California

California Masons dedicated the first Masonic Home in Union City in 1898. Created to shelter widows and children left destitute and alone, it was our fraternity's first major, tangible testament to the Masonic ideals of brotherly love and relief. Today, the Masonic Homes of California has expanded into a robust, statewide network of critical resources and services.

Through compassionate care, the Masonic Homes pledges to keep members of all ages, throughout California, safe, healthy, and connected through relevant, impactful resources including: Masonic Outreach Information and Referral Services: Masonic family members can contact Masonic Outreach Services for help connecting with local services - from veterans' benefits to home care and transportation agencies. Call (888) 466-3642 to speak with a care manager.



Masonic Senior Outreach Services: Senior fraternal family members can access needed resources to stay healthy and safe at home or in a retirement community in their local area.

Masonic Family Outreach Services: Masonic families can access assistance navigating complex life changes, including assistance during economic challenges, support for divorce and other difficult transitions, and information about local resources.

Residential Senior Communities: Dynamic campuses in Union City and Covina offer an active lifestyle, social activities, and compassionate care for retired Masons and their wives and widows.

Masonic Center for Youth and Families: Comprehensive, integrated behavioral health services are provided for children struggling with mental health difficulties. Experienced psychologists, social workers, and therapists work with the whole family.

The Masonic Homes of California is solely funded by member donations. Make a gift to support brothers in need. Masonic family members in your lodge may experience hardships related to aging, economic difficulties, or other stressful circumstances. These resources can help your lodges meet its obligation to provide fraternal relief.

For more information about creating an outreach program at your lodge, or to request help for yourself or a brother or sweetheart in need, contact Masonic Outreach Services at (888) 466-3642 or masonicassistance@mhcc.org.