



August 2020

# The Trestleboard

## Salinas Lodge #204

Serving the greater Salinas area since 1869

48 East San Joaquin St. Salinas, CA 93901

### **2020 Officers**

Master: Thomas Crompton, PM  
Senior Warden: Mike Chasen  
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Treasurer: John Williams, PM  
Secretary, J. David Isaac, PM  
Senior Deacon: Vacant  
Junior Deacon: Brian Vanderpool  
Senior Steward: Tom Folliard  
Junior Steward: Jim Riley  
Tiler: Ron Wilmoth, PM

# 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 still not be able to hold any Masonic activities or meetings for at least the months of July and August. I'm hopeful we will be able to hold a masonic stated meeting and

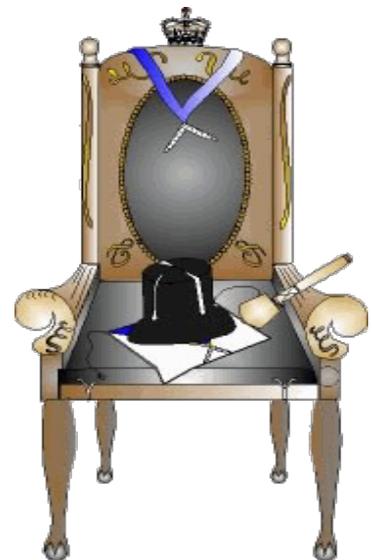
dinner sometime in the not-so-distant future and we will plan accordingly. Our phone committee should probably reach out again to our members. I would remind our members that dues were due and payable in January and we still have a number of our members who have not yet paid their dues. Please remit your dues payments as soon as possible. We have held on-line stated meetings monthly since April to pay our few outstanding bills. We have conducted an executive committee meeting to discuss the future activities of the lodge and when we can meet again.

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. This is 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 to 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. I am hopeful that we can all meet together soon.

Fraternally,

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



## CALENDAR

### August 2020

Lodge is Dark

5<sup>th</sup> Job's Daughters Meeting via Zoom

19<sup>th</sup> Job's Daughters Meeting Via Zoom

### September 2020

Lodge is dark



## FROM OUR SECRETARY – J. DAVID ISAAC

Brethren,  
I-Member 2.0 is the new software program that manages information on the Grand Lodge's database. Please login to I-Member 2.0, explore and more importantly update any incorrect information listed for you. You can reach the page at <https://freemason.org/> and click on the "For Members" tab. You'll you're your member number which is printed on your dues receipt. Thank you.

## From the West



Happy August,

I hope everyone staying safe and staying sane!

We are all hopeful that we will be able to be together again and enjoy some fellowship and good conversation and possibly a good meal! I look forward to the day I will be able to cook for you again.

Please keep in touch with your brothers and let us know if anyone needs assistance or can use a helping hand.

I miss you all and please call if you need anything.

Have a great month!

Mike Chasen  
Senior Warden





## HOW ARE YOU HOLDING UP?

Past Master, **Nick Cominos** is holding up pretty well. He is staying happy, healthy and hunkered down at his home in Salinas. Nick has fairly recently given up driving and with the shelter in place, he wasn't going anywhere any ways. Worshipful Nick lives with his son George and he has a health care worker who checks in with him daily. Nick is looking forward to his birthday on March 13th when he'll hit the century mark (his 100<sup>th</sup>). Nick would love to hear from you. If you would like to drop him a note or card, go ahead and mail it to the Lodge and we'll be sure it gets to him. Don't know Nick? That's okay, he probably was at one or all of your degrees. Drop him a note any way.

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## From the South



Brethren,  
I hope everyone is staying safe and sound. Let us continue obeying the local restrictions put in place which are designed to protect ourselves and prevent the spread of this Wuhan COVID19. I still hope we get over this soon so we can get back to our Masonic Social events and start meeting at the lodge again. Please stay safe and may the GAOTU Bless us all and our families.

Fraternally,  
Sam Mante





**From our District 353 Inspector  
BJ McCuiston**

Brethren,

Hopefully, all of you and your families are healthy and happy and safely distanced from the rioting, looting and vandalism that seems to surround us. Be alert and safe.

July 1, 2020 Grand Lodge did transition to I-Member 2.0 which included a new social feed created by Grand View and replaced our District and Lodge Apps. I ask Grand Lodge if we

will have the capability of creating a district or multidistrict app like the one we lost. They have not blessed me with an answer at this time.

Plans are in place for the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, however they are not being released at this time. The transition of New Grand Lodge Officers will take place whether it be virtually or otherwise.

Election of Officers for lodges will be required for 2021 whether it be to re-elect current officers for another term or to elect new officers. The process will depend on our Phase of preparedness.

All Officers and members are encouraged to make use of available time to access the Member Learning Center and complete the Leadership training courses. They are required for line officers and highly desirable for anyone aspiring to enter the line of Officers for any lodge.

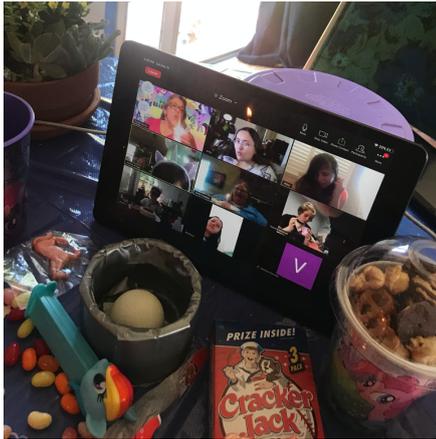
Again, Proficiency and certification, by the district Inspector is a requirement for all Officers prior to Installation. Be prepared, Do not procrastinate. The NEW Monitor and Officers' manual is available in .PDF format in the Member Center on the Grand Lodge web site. LAFSCO does not have hard copies available. There is no charge for downloading the .pdf copies from the member center.

Thanks again for your efforts in maintaining contact with your members, widows and orphans during this time. All it takes is a phone call to brighten someone's day and possibly discover a need. Consider using ZOOM to reach out to your membership to stay in contact. Remember, much can be done so long as we abide by Social distancing requirements as set forth by the CDC. The Grand Master continues to bar us from holding tiled meetings. At this time there is no indication when those restrictions may be lifted.

Stay safe and healthy. I hope to see you in Lodge soon.

S&F  
B.J.McCuiston, Inspector  
353rd Masonic District

# August Greetings from Job's Daughters Bethel No. 230, Salinas



“It is more important than ever that the girls in our lives stay connected with their peers and adult mentors in a safe environment.”

This shut down certainly can't stop the girls of Bethel 230 Salinas from having fun. This past month the Daughters have been getting together virtually to still have activities and meetings. On July 25th we hosted a Virtual Birthday party to celebrate the Daughters who missed their birthdays due to the shelter in place in our third quarter. Party bags were delivered to each participant which included, special gift bag, a cupcake, stickers, give-a-ways, and a special present for the daughter whose birthday it was. The girls played games and even had a few visitors join us in the celebration.



We are continuing our regularly scheduled meetings with a different theme for each one. We had a 50's ice cream party. On July 3<sup>rd</sup> we had a Science Day of Baking.

While we did receive word that all in person activities are postponed until the end of September, we are not going to let that slow us down. We have our regular Bethel Meeting on Wednesday, August 5th and August 19 both at 7PM. It would be great if you could join us on Zoom, Zoom Meeting Code 932 6335 3260, please call or text me for the password. Meeting by Zoom has actually been a lot of fun. If you have anyone who would like to join in on the fun or become a member of Bethel 230 Salinas, please call, text, or email me for information. It is more important than ever that the girls in our lives stay connected with their peers in a safe environment. Contact Information: (925) 336-0219 or [t.mohondro@gmail.com](mailto:t.mohondro@gmail.com).

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:

salinasjobsdaughters





# BIRTHDAYS

## FOR AUGUST

Marvin Ganaden 1	Harold Denney 11	Ricardo Torres 23
Julio Herrera 4	David Deckert 12	Ronald Wilmoth 23
Raymond Ryan 5	<b>Joseph Ventura 13</b>	Tommy Clifton 24
Sam Mante 6	Frederick Harris 15	Nelson Cargo 29
Juanito Reduque 9	Manuel Quebec 16	Steven Elliott 30
Ronald Edson 10	<b>William Lippert 21</b>	Zafer Aktan 30
	Aristoteles Fernandez 30	
<b>BIG ZERO BIRTHDAYS</b>		