



February - 2021

The Trestleboard

Salinas Lodge #204

Serving the greater Salinas area since 1869

48 East San Joaquin St. Salinas, CA 93901

2021 Officers

Master: Thomas Crompton, PM

Senior Warden: Mike Chasen

Junior Warden, Sam Mante, PM

Treasurer: John Williams, PM

Secretary, J. David Isaac, PM

Chaplin, Mark Washburn, DDS

Marshal, Nelson Cargo

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,

We are still unable to meet in person and are unable to hold any Masonic activities or meetings for the next few months. I would remind our members that dues are due and payable in January. You will receive your dues notices directly from Grand Lodge this year and you can either pay by check or by credit card. Only takes a few minutes if you are online with Grand Lodge through iMember. If not, it only takes a few minutes to sign up. All you need is web access and your member number printed on your membership card. Please remit your dues payments as soon as possible.

I hope you were able to attend our on-line Installation of Officers and our Stated Meetings. They are being held on the Zoom web portal and were well attended. It is wonderful to get to see and speak with many of our members. Try to come on-line this month for our virtual stated Meeting on February 9 at 7:30 PM. Please try to sign on 10-15 minutes early. The Zoom link is printed in the Trestleboard along with instructions.

We have had a few “Brobucks” get-togethers online. I know that this is not great, not being able to meet together. Until we can meet together again, 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. If you need assistance, contact one of the officers who will help you connect. It’s really quite easy. You just have to remember that you need to register on iMember beforehand.

We’d like to hear how our brethren are handling this period of enforced quarantine. If you would like to share some of your stories in our Trestleboard, please do not hesitate. Again, contact one of your lodge officers or our editor, Brother George Lange.

I will be unavailable for a time. I underwent a scheduled lumbar surgery on January 25th. Senior Warden Mike Chasen has stepped up and will act as Master of the Lodge for the Stated Meeting on February 25th.

Our coaching staff remains available for coaching and if anyone wants to move forward in their progress forward through the degrees or learn/review any officer’s ritual, now’s the time. Contact your candidate’s coach or officer’s coach and get this work completed before we start meeting again. We’ll be able to start the year with a bang!

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

CALENDAR

February, 2021

3rd Job's Daughters Meeting via Zoom

Zoom Meeting Code: 932 6335 3260

(Please call Bethel Guardian for the passcode at 925-336-0219)

9th– Lodge Stated Meeting Via Zoom. 7:30 PM

17th Job's Daughters Meeting Via Zoom

From the West



Hello February Brothers!

I hope the start of 2021 has been good to you and I'm looking forward to a lot of changes with our lockdown situation. Let's keep our fingers crossed that we will be open to meet again soon.

We will be having another zoom stated meeting this month and hope you can be there.

Please reach out to your brothers and check in. If anyone is in need, please let us know and we can do everything in our power to help out.

I miss you all and look forward being back together as soon as possible.

Mike Chasen
Senior Warden





Homework

I occasionally found a student who enjoyed homework. If that describes you, in any way, here is your assignment:

Tell the history of Salinas Masonic Lodge in 750 words or less. We would like to publish this here and on our webpage.

Due Date: February 27th



science

english

computers

math

From the South



Brethren,

This past month, we had our very first virtual installation of officers and we welcomed our newly installed officers. The lodge has held the line under the guidance and leadership of Wor. Tom Crompton and its exciting that he will be leading the lodge once again this year. His dedication to the craft is one to be emulated and I encourage everyone to not only support our WM but also try and emulate his undying devotion. We are rooting and praying you get well soon Worshipful Tom from your procedure.

We have just experienced a whole year of operating and doing business via virtual Lodge according to the guidelines established by Grand Lodge until local ordinance allows us to meet in person again in our beautiful Lodge hopefully soon when this pandemic is over. Otherwise we will likely stay virtual for most of this year again.

I encourage the Brethren to support our Corp of officers by attending our virtual stated meetings and special meetings via ZOOM and share your thoughts and ideas so we can keep the momentum going.

Thank you for all that you do for the craft and our beloved lodge.

Fraternally,
Sam Mante, PM.
Junior Warden

A graphic with a blue background. On the left is a glass sphere containing a golden caduceus symbol. To the right of the sphere, the words "Medical Update" are written in large, white, sans-serif font. Below this, a white text box contains the following text: "Worshipful Tom had his back surgery on January 25th and is doing pretty well. He's home and resting as comfortably as can be expected." At the bottom left of the graphic, the word "Courageous" is written in a faint, light blue font.

Medical Update

Worshipful Tom had his back surgery on January 25th and is doing pretty well. He's home and resting as comfortably as can be expected.

Courageous

Do you have something to include in the March Trestleboard or on our webpage (<https://salinasmasoniclodge204.org>)? Please submit an article. Something about our Masonic Youth/Family, Masonic history, cartoon, a joke, whatever to lighten or enlighten your brother's month. (george.lange2@gmail.com)
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FROM OUR SECRETARY – J. DAVID ISAAC



Grand Lodge is keeping \$5 of your dues to make the payment by credit card. If possible, please send your dues in a check, like in the past to:

Salinas Lodge #204

PO Box 1432

Salinas, CA 93902

I'm no longer able to print a traditional dues card as your card is now on line at the iMember site. You can download it to your phone or print it on your printer, if you want a hard copy. If you don't have the means to print your card and want a hard copy to let me know and I'll print and mail it to you. Grand Lodge will be sending reminders in Jan. and Feb. to pay your dues. If there is a hardship which makes it not possible to make the payment, please contact either myself or the Master for consideration of dues remittance for the year.





BIRTHDAYS

FOR FEBRUARY

William R. Panos 2nd / 90 Years!
Charles R. Mills 6th
Earl G. Fiscalni 21st

Robert Anthony 4th
Bonifacio Fernando 15th

SALINAS MASONIC LODGE #204
WILL BE MEETING VIA ZOOM

Stated Meeting on Tuesday, February 9th at 7:30 PM



Type this into your web browser:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83477944778>