

## FROM THE EAST



### On the Square

What a fantastic start to our year as your Master. We had over 40 people for dinner, many from other lodges. I want to toss out a special thank you to Walt for the presentation on George Washington. I never knew the distiller side existed. The work of the lodge was very busy for my virgin voyage as your master.

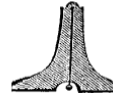
We had a proficiency of Brother Paul in the EA. We will have a Fellowcraft degree soon. Brother Senior Warden I know you will be ready to shine. Very Worshipful Larry Darling made a presentation to WM Mike Chapton, Jr. Past Master for his dedication to the craft. It was very impressive in the wording.

I was given private Honors by the masters present as we suspended work in the 1<sup>st</sup> degree and opened a lodge of MM in lieu thereof. Thank you, my brothers, for the honors!

We have a busy year ahead of us and we will be working hard to get everyone trained to advance in the line. As you all know, non-proficient officers will not advance as we have worked hard to improve the ritual and bring back pride in the work. Please remember the quality of the work lies on the shoulder of the individual. Assistance is available by many, but it is there only at the request of the individual needing it. Lodge #33 has training every Tuesday night and we will also be available anytime. The lodge is doing the necessary labor needed to grow and we are doing it with fun. Thank you for allowing me to serve you.

Fraternally,  
W Sir Mark Jones  
Worshipful Master  
Douglas Lodge # 12 F&AM

## FROM THE WEST



### On the Level

Brothers all, our first lodge meeting of 2019 with new officers in place was really great and very well attended. We have a solid corps of officers dedicated to move the lodge forward, so come and enjoy an evening at lodge.

Congratulations to Paul Vilte EA for doing his proficiency, now we move on to his FC degree. Paul's work schedule is hectic during this winter season doing a lot of snow plow work with crazy hours. We will schedule his FC degree as his work schedule permits, we will keep everyone posted. We have EA's and an FC currently working on advancements, which means we will be doing MM degree(s) soon. Be prepared.

Brothers, we have, or you might know of a Masonic widow who still lives in her home. If you know of a widow or a distressed brother who needs some snow removed from the driveway and or walkway, please let an officer know who it is so we can offer help.

Thanks to brother Walt Kesteloot PM who presented an informative talk about brother George Washington PM whose birthday we commemorate each February. Also, many thanks to Sheryle Jones, WM Sir Mark Jones wife and daughter Melissa Torres, brother Jason Torres wife for a great meal overseen by JW, Mike Chapton PM. Sect. Kent Mayer PM provided numerous pies to cap off the fine meal.

After a long absence, brother Blair Clark joined us for supper and in lodge. Really good to see him again.

From the West, always meeting on the level  
Byron Morgan, SW  
Douglas Lodge # 12 F&AM

## From the South



### By the Plumb

*Last night I knelt where Hiram knelt and took an obligation  
today I'm closer to my God and I'm a Master Mason  
Tho' heretofore my fellow men seemed each one like the  
other*

*today I search each one apart, I'm looking for my brother  
And as I feel his friendly grip, it fills my heart with pride  
I know that while I'm on the square that he is by my side  
His footsteps on my errand go, if I should such require:  
His prayers will lead in my behalf, if I should so desire  
My words are safe within his breast as though within my  
own*

*his hand forever at my back to help me safely home  
Good counsel whispers in my ear and warns of any danger  
By square and compass, Brother now! Who once would call  
me stranger*

*I might have lived a moral life and risen to distinction  
Without my Brothers helping hand and fellowship of Masons  
But God, who knows how hard it is to resist life's  
temptations  
knows why I knelt where Hiram knelt and took that  
obligation.*

We had a good turnout last stated meeting and it is great to see members supporting the lodge. I know we have more members in the area though that for one reason or another choose not to come to the stated meetings. We want to do our best to make the meetings as enjoyable as possible to keep the members coming. What is it that drew you to Freemasonry and what can we do to get more members to attend lodge? I know that question may just open a Pandora's Box, but it would be great to know the feelings and ideas of our brothers. Let's reach out to those brothers whom we haven't seen for a while and breath some new life into this lodge of ours. Instead of just meeting once a month we should be doing life together. Meet outside the lodge, do dinners, meet for coffee, join the High Twelve bunch on Fridays from 8:30am to 11:30am, go for hikes or walks, anything to keep in touch with each other between meetings. Let's live the obligation we took when we became Masons!

Dinner for the March Stated Meeting will be an **Irish Stew fit for St. Patrick's Day**. I know how hectic life can be and I want to make coming to lodge as easy as possible for our brothers and their families. I would like to invite all the families of

our brethren to join with us during lodge meals, so we don't have to forgo our quality family meal time. To mitigate the costs to our families, children under the age of 18 years old will eat free instead of the usual \$5 donation per person. Please RSVP to me the number of adults and children that will be attending, even if it is only you. This will help determine how much food to purchase and prepare so there is plenty for everyone with as little waste as possible.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

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 Junior Warden  
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**FROM THE SECRETARY**



The Lodge transmitted an electronic version of the by-laws to Grand Lodge. There are several proposed changes to the by-laws. The Brothers have until the March meeting to submit any other changes. The final updates will be submitted to the entire membership after the march meeting. The new changes will be voted on at the May meeting and then submitted to Grand Lodge for Approval. All members have paid their dues I really appreciate the timely payment.

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**SCHEDULE**

Stated meeting March 13 , 2019-Masonic Youth Month

**The meal for March 13, 2019 will be:**  
 Irish Stew

**March Birthdays**  
 Dayton Murdock PM

**2019 OFFICERS**

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|------------------|-------------------|
| Sir Mark Jones   | WORSHIPFUL MASTER |
| (Sheryle)        | (619 823-7073)    |
| R Byron Morgan   | SENIOR WARDEN     |
| (Valorie)        | (775) 297-5180    |
| Mike Chaption PM | JUNIOR WARDEN     |
| (Teneale)        | (775) 392-3102    |
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|                  | (425) 765-4461    |
| Kent Mayer, PM   | SECRETARY         |
| (Shelly)         | (775) 720-0875    |
| Roger Cole PM    | CHAPLAIN          |
|                  | (775) 790-4136    |
| Alan Bergstrom   | Senior DEACON     |
| (Juanita)        | (951) 303- 5450   |
| D. Russ Bacon Jr | JUNIOR DEACON     |
|                  | (775) 671-2110    |
| Lawrence Rowe II | SENIOR STEWARD    |
|                  | (775) 671-2557    |
| Less Wilson      | JUNIOR STEWARD    |
|                  | (510) 816-2632    |
| Sean Summers, PM | MARSHALL          |
| (Jennifer)       | (775) 215-1679    |

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|-------------------|------------------|
| John Novak PM     | HISTORIAN        |
| John Wilson       | TYLER            |
| Tim De Turk       | TRUSTEE (3 year) |
| Roger Cole, PM    | TRUSTEE (2 year) |
| Dayton Murdock PM | TRUSTEE (1 year) |

**LIVING PAST MASTERS**

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|-----------------------|------------------|
| Clarence Burr Jr.     | 1971, 1982, 1983 |
| William J. Crowell    | 1977             |
| Richard V. Ernst      | 1979             |
| Richard Straw         | 1980             |
| Lynn R. Baker         | 1990             |
| Walter W. Kesteloot   | 1991, 1993, 2008 |
| Robert A. Gunnoe      | 1992             |
| Kent E. Mayer         | 2001, 2013       |
| Jim Owens             | 2003             |
| William J. Schilling  | 2007, 2010       |
| Larry W. Darling, PGS | 2009             |
| Matthew D. Cottom     | 2011             |
| David A. Severns      | 2012             |
| Sean Summers          | 2014             |
| Dayton Murdock        | 2015             |
| Roger Cole            | 2016             |
| Ian Murdock           | 2017             |
| Michael Chaption PM   | 2018             |

**Past Masters by Affiliation**

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|--------------------------------|------|
| Bill Earnhardt PM CV 33        | 2013 |
| John E. Novak PM Skykomish 259 | 2013 |
| Mike Chaption PM CV33          | 2016 |
| John K Borchert PM Arcadia 278 | 1965 |

**High Twelve Club**

High 12 (ROMEO) continues each Friday at #12. (open by 8:15, buffet lunch at 11). Stop by when you can even it's just to say "hello" and grab a cup of coffee & pastry. Lively conversation and food is *always* good.



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