



VALLEJO MASONIC NEWS

FRIEND TO FRIEND, BROTHER TO BROTHER

NAVAL LODGE #87

JANURARY 2020

VISION STATEMENT

Naval Lodge attracts and brings together good men of diverse generational, racial, religious, and cultural backgrounds for self improvement, friendship, and service; because we provide an authentic initiatory experience and engaging education programs based on a tradition of living and animate speech to effect a personal transformation that inspires each man to a principle driven way of life based on brotherly love, relief and truth.

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2020 COMMITTEES

LODGE AUDIT: Rollie Caabay, PM (Chairman), Dennis Timmons

SMTA: President- Dennis Timmons (2020), Barry Hughes, PM (2020),
CFO- Seth Thomas (2020), Secretary- Alex Gaoiran (2022),
Member- Ralph Lindeman (2022), Member- Mario Cruz (2021)
Ex-officio's: Master & Sr. Warden

2020 COMMITTEES CONTINUED

SMTA AUDIT: Sam Sarmiento, PM (Chairman), Rollie Caabay, PM

MEMBER RETENTION: Mervyn Nicholas (Chairman), Keith Wattles, PM, Guy Benjamin

CANDIDATE COACHING: Keith Wattles

CHARITY: Mervyn Nicholas (Chairman), Keith Wattles, Guy Benjamin

FUNERAL: V. Thomas Langford, PM, John Wasson, PM, Keith Wattles, PM, Manuel Sarmiento

MASONIC FORMATION: Keith Wattles, PM

PHONE TREE: Barry Hughes, PM

PUBLIC SCHOOLS: Gerald Bettman, PM (Chairman)

SCHOLARSHIP: Gerald Bettman, PM (Chairman)

SMEF (Elected): Albert Lawson, PM - President, Glenn Munkers, PM, Jim Jaeger, Jose Ferrer,
Manuel Sarmiento, Mervyn Nicholas

TRUSTEES (Elected): Glen Munkers, PM (2021) (Chairman), Guy Benjamin (2022),
Douglas Campbell, PHD (2023)

WEBMASTER: Joaquin Loayza

YOUTH ORDERS: Jim Jaeger (Chairman), Gerald Bettman, Seth Thomas

Sunshine: Keith Wattles, PM

Property: Mike Nesmith (Chairman),

TWENTY-FOUR INCH GAUGE

THE FOLLOWING HAVE BEEN REPORTED TO BE INCAPACITATED, PLEASE LET THEM KNOW THAT YOU ARE THINKING OF THEM. PLEASE SEE THE SR. WARDEN TO REPORT ANY SICK OR DISTRESSED BROTHERS:

January 2020

WORDS

FROM THE WORSHIPFUL MASTER....

Thank you to the leaders and members of Naval Lodge #87 for installing me as Worshipful Master and entrusting me with the leadership of this lodge for the upcoming year 2020. And, to my phenomenal team of officers thank you in advance for your support and taking this journey with me.

With sincere appreciation, I extend a heartfelt thank you to all who attended my installation and celebration of office.

I am looking forward to having a great upcoming year focusing on developing relationships within the community and strengthening our rapport with other neighboring masonic lodges.

I would like to jumpstart the new year with a coat drive in January/ February to assist the homeless and needed families in Vallejo and surrounding area. Naval lodge #87 will partner with one of our local community churches for support and solicit local merchants and others to donate coats for distribution. In addition, I petition each of you to donate your clean mildly used or lightly worn coats to ensure this event's success.

More information concerning the coat drive will be discussed at our next monthly meeting. Your intuitive ideas and suggestions are welcomed and always encouraged

The next stated meeting will be held January 2, 2020, in observation of the new year. Please be sure to adjust your calendar accordingly.

Thank you again, for the opportunity to serve as your Worshipful Master.

Mervyn (JJ) Nicholas

Worshipful Master, 2020

As The Sun Is In The West At The Close Of The Day

Greetings from the West!

As we begin the new Masonic Year, let us not forget what got us here. Without the hard work and dedication of many, Naval Lodge would not be able to boast of the accomplishments that have affected all of us. Let us start the year by thanking our predecessors and those who continue to support us year after year.

With that said, I want to thank all of my Brothers who have entrusted me with the duties of Senior Warden for the coming Masonic Year. You will never know how much this trust means to me. I will do my best to make sure you are not disappointed for making that decision.

On another note, as you all know, the Senior Warden is responsible to make sure that Candidate Coaches are doing their job and ensuring that Candidates are given every opportunity to advance in their Masonic journey. One of the first things that I will be doing, is meeting with all Candidate Coaches to make sure we are all on the same page. I understand that it is not necessarily the Candidate Coach who is not doing their job. Many times, it may be as simple as the Candidate and Candidate Coach just aren't on the same page or their personalities don't jive. It may be that the Candidate is not fulfilling their obligation to get with the Coach and get their Proficiency done. As the Senior Warden, it's my job to figure this out and trust me, I will!

I wish all of you a Safe and Prosperous New Year.

Fraternally,

Keith E. wattles, PM

Senior Warden

From The South

Brethren, As the New year rolls around I hope you had a safe and joyous holiday season.

Thank you for the confidence in electing me to serve as your Junior Warden this year. I promise to do all that I can to dispel my duties in a manner worthy of our Craft. One thing that I can promise you is that I will do my very best to insure we have some good meals coming out of the kitchen this year.

For our Stated Meeting on January 2nd, please come out to enjoy Bacon Wrapped Pork Tenderloins, Seasonal Vegetable and Rice Pilaf

Guy Benjamin
Junior Warden

From the Secretary

If your Dues receipt does not have Dec.31,2020 on it you are not in good standing and may not vote in lodge proceedings please send in your dues ASAP they are \$269.25.

This trestleboard is a work in progress please bear with me I will figurer it out soon this is a start.

Thank You,

Barry Hughes, PM

Secretary