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From The Personal Representative

Don Munks, 33°



I hope that everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. My 2022 New Year Resolution was to be able to return to pre lockdown activities, events, meetings, and being with Brothers and Sisters without restrictions!



A big THANK YOU to all, that

a success. Everyone enjoyed the fellowship, food, dates for the degrees. Now that we are back to in and pictures with Santa. The candy and games were good too! For those who could not attend, there will be another one next year.

We had to make some calendar modifications in January. We were scheduled to perform the 30th Degree on January 3rd but needed to change that event to January 17th as the Grand Master had scheduled his official District 8 meeting on January 3rd. 2022. The 32nd Degree will be on February 7 and the "Cap & Ring" Ceremony will be February 21, 2022. I want to thank our Director of Works, David Augustson, on doing a great job in organizing the degrees and Jim Hamlin,

helping David and our Class Marshals, David Trader and Jason Finch. This is only the 1st year being Scottish Rite Masons for David Trader and Jason Finch and they took on the responsibility of being Class Marshals and did a fantastic job. Of course none of this would have been possible without Everett

worked so very hard to make our Christmas Party Valley Scottish Rite members getting us candiperson lodge meetings, we all need to start thinking about who we can talk to in our lodges that are looking for more Masonic education.

Now, for our newest Valley members, Howard Schoen, Mark Valencia, Ray Verschuyl and Brian Wheeler, thank you for making yourselves available and being devoted to becoming Scottish Rite Masons. You have almost finished your journey.

The silent auction winners will be announced at the January 17, 2022 meeting and in February we will start a new silent auction.

Please stay safe and healthy. Fraternally, Don

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Your Scottish Rite Creed and Mission Statement



Scottish Rite Creed

Human progress is our cause, liberty of thought our supreme wish, freedom of conscience our mission, and the guarantee of equal rights to all people everywhere our ultimate goal.

Mission Statement

It is the mission of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, SJ, to improve its members and enhance the communities in which they live by teaching and emulating the principles of Brotherly Love, Tolerance, Charity, and Truth, while actively embracing high social, moral, and spiritual values, including fellowship, compassion, and dedication to God, family, and country.



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From the Desk of the General Secretary

By Terry Grove, 33°

As of December 10^{th} , 2021 - the present status of our outstanding annual dues indicates that 57 or **28.6%** of our members have remitted their 2022 regular dues of \$150. We still have that 37 who have yet to pay this years dues or **18.6%** (A - \$5,550).

That leaves eight {8} who are due for 2021 and 2022 at \$250 (B - \$2,000). These members who are in alphabetical order are: (1) Class of 1997, age 54 and in New Jersey; (2) Class of 2009/2018, age 58 and live in Missouri; (3) Class of 1989, age 73 and live in Arlington; (4) Class of 2019, age 36 and lives in Marysville; (5) Class of 2009, age 59 and lives on Camano Island; (6) Class of 2001, age 62 and live in Black Diamond; (7) Class of 1996, age 67 and lives in Lynnwood, and (8) Class of 2004, 62 years old and lives in Florida or 4.0%. PLUS seven {7} who are due for 2020-2021 and 2022 at \$350 (C - \$2,450). Without naming names, this last group are broken down as follows: (9) Class of 2008, age 78, resides in either Canada or the Phillipines; (10) Class of 2012 age 73, living in Tulalip; (11) Class of 2000, age 61, living in Bremerton; (12) Class 2010, age 74, living in Freeland; (13) Class of 2014, age 46, lives in Everett (transfer from Arizona); (14) Class of 2014, age 49, living in Everett and (15) Class of 1980, 80 years old and lives in Stanwood. This last group will most likely be suspended for non-payment of dues (NPD)

3.5%. These members account for **7.5%.** Every year – our annual dues are due by December 31st. Should you identify or recognize yourself in this last group, and wish to continue or maintain your Scottish Rite Membership, please contact me to discuss your options to get yourself into a current and active status.

We currently have 15 members for 7.5% who are exempt and 75 members who have purchased endowed Life memberships for 37.8%. Twenty one (21) of whom have voluntarily remitted the annual per capita assessed for Orient of Washington - Rite Care and Scottish Rite Scholarship Foundation plus Supreme Council 33° of \$37 per year – year-to-date total of \$1,700. {28.6%+18.6%+7.5%+7.5%+37.8% = 100%}

The shortage (A+B+C=\$10,000) of funds **26.1%** are necessary to help offset or cover our annual expenditures for insurance, taxes and monthly costs for utilities (gas, water, electricity, trash, TV/ phone/inter-net) along with our annual per capita expenses to the Orient of Washington and Supreme Council 33° in Washington, DC.

We have four (4) new members who are now scheduled to complete their remaining degrees as follows: 30° January 17th, 2022; and 32° 2022 and their Cap & Ring will be conducted on February 21st, 2022. Our Valley membership now stands at 199.

Valley of Everett - Orient of Washington January 2022 through March 2022

January 2022

01-03-22 Dark

01-17-22 Council of Kadosh Stated Meeting - 6:30 PM Buffet -Conferral of 30°

01-24-22 Virtual Zoom 6:00 PM BOT-ExCOM

February 2022

02-07-22 Lodge of Perfection Stated Meeting - 6:30 PM Buffet-Conferral of 32°

02-21-22 Consistory - LOP - Cap & Ring—RSVP—6:30PM Punch Bowl - 7:00PM Dinner

02-28-22 Virtual Zoom 6:00 PM BOT-ExCOM

March 2022

03-07-22 Lodge of Perfection Stated Meeting - 6:30 PM Buffet

03-21-22 Rose Croix Ceremony of Remembrance RSVP—6:30 PM Punch Bowl - 7:00 PM Dinner

03-28-22 Virtual Zoom 6:00 PM BOT-ExCOM

My Masonic New Year

Author Unknown

I enter my Masonic New Year with the understanding that I am making a fresh start. I begin by discarding thoughts, attitudes, and habits that are not compatible with an excellent life. I let go of whatever caused past discouragement, disappointment, or disagreement. I know that seemingly negative outcomes are desires or goals that are yet to be fulfilled. I am open and receptive to new ideas, activities, and relationships.

Each day, I can follow a fresh plan of fulfillment. I act on divine ideas that I receive in moments of prayer, and inspiration. These ideas flow through wholesome, positive thoughts. As I use creative thinking to build upon divine ideas, my activities and my abilities are enhanced. Therefore, I enter this New Year with optimism, joy, and enthusiasm.

As Freemasons we are constantly seeking to improve ourselves and the world around us. In 2020 and 2021, the Covid-19 virus presented us with life changing events, that have made our primary focus day to day living essentials and our safety.

These have been years of changes and sometimes chaos. We may be working from home, perhaps while wearing your pajamas perched at the kitchen table or sitting on the sofa with your laptop all the while your toddler plays at your feet because the daycare is closed. School age kids may be remote learning at home or doing hybrid learning which, are both their own challenges.

We have been unable to attend lodge meetings, family gatherings, religious events or even our kid's



athletic games, if they are even happening. I think we may all be suffering a bit from social isolation, and especially at this time of year, may be missing the comradery of Freemasonry, and strong social connections

Throw in a shortage of toilet paper, hand wipes and cleaning supplies, plus having to wear a mask everywhere we go, and our world has certainly changed.

In this turmoil, we may have been distracted, forgetful or neglectful of working on our Rough Ashlar. But then, maybe the past two (2) years, and the lack of activities, has allowed us fresh focus.

This will be different for everyone. As the New Year begins, this may be a great time to take a few moments for a bit of introspection, to reflect upon the past twelve months, both the good and the difficult, and reorient for the future.

I wish for you All Good Health, Love, Promise and Hope in 2022.

Happy New Year

The Members of the
Valley of Everett extend
to all the Brethren
listed for the Month of
January A Very
Happy Birthdays





Peter F Anderson Jerry L Arneson Bryan D Bechler William H Gruner III Richard L Jones Sam Leslie Milo Milfs Pete Peterson Gerald H Purdum Gene R Rasmussen Warren R Schoeben Carl B Smith Murat Tanyeri Darrel J Tobias Christopher T Warrick Thomas L Zellers



Lodge of Perfection

By Jeff Maynor, 32°, KCCH, Venerable Master

First off on behalf of the Lodge of Perfection we would like to wish all our member and families a Happy New Year, may it be both healthy and prosperous.

Brethren one and all, we are holding our stated meeting at the Scottish Rite Temple, with a delicious buffet meal prepared by Alice at 6:30PM and have our stated meeting in open format. However, if there are Coronarvirus restric-

tions, we all must comply with them by wearing our mask Everett will be conferring the 30th degree. Our very own and any and all restrictions while in the meeting.

On Monday, December 6, 2021, the Valley held it's stated Meeting where our newly elected Brethren received their 18th Degree by the eighteenth Degree team. All who were in attendance enjoyed a delicious meal and a well put together degree.

On December 20th, 2021 held the Valley of Everett Christmas party with a Pizza Party and a visit by Santa Claus who greeted all the children and all adults that were in attendance. All of those in attendance were treated with the Christmas Spirit and experienced a most wonder- email out the information to all the members of Valley of ful evening.

For those who did not meet the deadline for our membership who pay annual dues, this is just a reminder that your 2022 Valley of Everett annual dues of \$150 were due to the Valley secretary no later than December 31, 2021. If you are one of the few who have not paid their



2022 dues we ask you to do is as soon as possible and forward your dues to Terry Grove, the Valley General Secretary.

I would like to take this time to say thank you to all our Life Members who have received their notification and letter of request to assistance in helping your Valley by voluntarily paying the mandatory annual capita per member as assessed for the year 2022.

On January 17, 2022, the Valley of

Valley of Everett chief cook, Alice, will be preparing a delicious meal prior to the meeting. Just a reminder, that the buffet meals cost are now \$15.00.

Brethren, should you know a Brother, his family or one our widows that are ill or in need of some assistance please contact the Valley of Everett Almoner John Mathers, at 425-778-3772, so we may provide them with the assistance that they may require.

The Valley of Everett Executive Committee and Temple Board will meet via Zoom, our General Secretary will Everett to which they are cordially invited to attend.

It is the Lodge of Perfections hope, now that all our Valley Brethren remember to make yourself present for all the stated meetings in both your Blue Lodges and more especially, the Valley of Everett's Scottish Rite

Valley of Everett 2021-2022 **Degree Schedule**

Jan 17 2022 30th Degree

Feb 07, 2022 32nd Degree

Valley of Everett Cap n Ring Ceremony Monday, February 21, 2022

NEW YEAR By Ken Baril

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Are You A Mason Poem

This poem was written by Bro. Reverend Dr. Magill, Rector of St. Paul's Church in Peru, Illinois. It reportedly was written shortly after a lady asked him "Are You a Mason?" It is thought to have been written in the mid to late 1800's.

"I am one of a band,
Who will faithfully stand,
In the bonds of affection and love;
I have knocked at the door,
once wretched and poor,
And there for admission I stood.

By the help of a friend,
Who assistance did lend,
I succeeded an entrance to gain;
Was received in the West,
By command from the East,
But not without feeling some pain.

Here my conscience was taught,
With a moral quite fraught,
With sentiments hold and true;
Then onward I traveled,
To have it unraveled,
What Hiram intended to do.

Very soon to the East,
I made my request,]
And "light" by command did attend;
When lo! I perceived,
In due form revealed,
A Master, and Brother, and Friend.

For the widow distressed,
There's a cord in my breast,
For the helpless and orphan I feel:
And my sword I could draw,
To maintain the pure law,

Which the duties of a Mason reveal.

Thus have I revealed, (Yet wisely concealed),
What the "free and accepted" will know.
I am one of a band,
Who will faithfully stand,
As a Brother, wherever I go.

YOU ARE MASONRY

By Dewey Wollstein, 32° KCCH

What is Masonry? Let us for the moment lay aside the general definitions. Let us even ignore for the moment our own conception of our time-honored Institution.

There is a great Temple under construction. Men are busy and have been busy for centuries in the erection of this magnificent edifice. Let us call it the Temple of Life. There is a beauty beyond the power of words to express. There is a sacred atmosphere that inspires every worker to do more than his share of the work. There is work, but it is not the burdensome toil of the slave. Every worker is a king in his own right. All men working together, each for the good of all. What will mar the tranquility of this scene? Just the fact that men are always looking forward

to a greater beauty than they know at the present. They seek a Finished Beauty. The quest is in vain. Today is the only victory on the morrow that he has not achieved today. Then the awful tragedy. The day when there are no designs upon the trestleboard. Man's inhumanity to God has caused the work to cease. The spirit is killed. The beauty that was there is now cold and without form.

Who is responsible for the darkness that now covers the Temple of Life? I am to blame. You are to blame. We failed to see that the Spirit was in the building of the Temple, not in the completed edifice.

The Spirit of Masonry is in the Mason.

VALLEY OF SEATTLE

ANCIENT & ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY

PRESENTS

The Lodge That Died Over Pie

Thoughts and Stories on Brotherhood

By Ill. Glen A. Cook, 33°, G::C:



Past Grand Master of the G.L. of Utah

Tuesday, February 15, 2022, 6:30 p.m.

All Masons welcome | Reservations are required

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VALLEY OF EVERETT COMING EVENTS

Valley of Everett

Cap and Ring Ceremony

Monday, February 21, 2022
6:30 PM Punch Bowl - 7:00 PM Dinner

At the

Everett Scottish Rite Temple

2431 Rucker Ave

Everett, Washington

Fare for Dinner—\$25.00 per Adult
The Valley of Everett Candidates and Ladies
will be hosted by the Valley

All Scottish Rite Members, Ladies, Children and Guest
Are cordially invited to attend
RSVP no later than February 17, 2022
to Terry Grove at 425-610-4561
Or email him at Terrygrove50@yahoo.com

<u>VALLEY OF EVERETT</u> <u>CALENDAR OF EVENTS</u>

Jan 03	Monday	Dark—Meeting Cancelled
Jan 17	Monday	Council of Kadosh —Stated Meeting— 30th Degree -6:30 PM Buffet
Jan 24	Monday	Combined Board of Trustee's and ExCom meeting- Zoom at 6:00 PM
Feb 07	Monday	Lodge of Perfection— 6:30 PM Buffet –32nd Degree
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Feb 21	Monday	Valley of Everett Annual Cap n Ring Ceremony
Feb 28	Monday	Combined Board of Trustee's and ExCom meeting- Zoom at 6:00 PM

Note: Brethren take the time to visit your local Blue Lodges and share with them the Joys of Scottish Rite Masonry and Fellowship.

YOUR LOCAL BLUE LODGE MONTHLY SCHEDULE

DISTRICT TWO MASONIC HAPPENINGS

January 2022

Date	Day	Time	Lodge	Event
Jan 04	Tuesday	6:00PM	Shoreline 248	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner
Jan 11	Tuesday	6:00PM	Yancy C Blalock 265	Stated Meeting—6:00PM Dinner
Jan 13	Thursday	6:30PM	Edmonds 165	Stated Meeting—6:30PM Dinner
Jan 18	Tuesday	6:30PM	Mill Creek 243	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner
Jan 20	Thursday	6:00PM	Ashler 121	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner

DISTRICT EIGHT MASONIC HAPPENINGS

January 2022

Date	Day	Time	Lodge	Event
Jan 04	Tuesday	7:00PM	Sultan Monroe 160	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner
	Tuesday	7:00PM	Crystal 122	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner
Jan 05	Wednesday	6:30 PM	Centennial 25	Stated Meeting- 6:00PM Dinner
Jan 10	Monday	7:30PM	Everett 137	Stated Meeting—6:30PM Dinner
Jan 11	Tuesday	6:00PM	Damascus 199	Stated Meeting—6:00PM Dinner
Jan 12	Wednesday	6:30PM	Arlington 129	Stated Meeting—6:30 PM Dinner
	Wednesday	6:30 PM	Alpha 212	Stated Meeting—6:00PM Dinner
Jan 13	Thursday	6:30PM	Peninsular 95	Stated Meeting—6:30PM Dinner
Jan 18	Tuesday	7:00PM	Sultan Monroe 160	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner
	Tuesday	7:00PM	Crystal 122	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner
Jan 19	Wednesday	6:30 PM	Centennial 25	Stated Meeting- 6:00PM Dinner
	Wednesday	7:30 PM	West Gate 128	Stated Meeting- 6:00PM Dinner
Jan 25	Tuesday	6:00 PM	Damascus 199	Stated Meeting—6:00PM Dinner
Jan 26	Wednesday	6:30PM	Arlington 129	Stated Meeting—6:30 PM Dinner
Jan 27	Thursday	6:30PM	Peninsular 95	Special Communication—6:30PM Dinner

DISTRICT NINE MASONIC HAPPENINGS

January 2022

Date	Day	Time	Lodge	Event
Jan 04	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Mount Baker 36	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Jan 05	Wednesday	6:30 PM	San Juan 175	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Jan 06	Thursday	6:30 PM	Burlington United 93	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Jan 11	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Fidalgo 77	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Jan 13	Thursday	6:30 PM	Camano 19	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Jan 18	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Whidby 15	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Jan 25	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Langley 218	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Jan 27	Thursday	6:30 PM	Garfield 41	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting

Note: To the Valley of Everett Brethren please take the time on your Mondays to enjoy a good meal and great fellowship with your Valley of Everett Brethren. Dinner is served at 6:30 PM. Meeting at 7:30 PM. We look forward to meeting and greeting each and everyone of you.

All in-persons meetings are subject to Coronavirus COVID –19 pandemic restrictions

VALLEY OF EVERETT SCOTTISH RITE TEMPLE MONTHLY RENTAL SCHEDULE

Jan 02, 2022	Sunday	1:00PM	Prince Hall—SR Consistory 118
Jan 05, 2022	Wednesday	7:30 PM	Amaranth - Welcome Court #58
Jan 06, 2022	Thursday	7:30 PM	Alderwood #185 Order of Eastern Star
Jan 08, 2022	Saturday	10:00 AM	Prince Hall - Evergreen #9
Jan 08, 2022	Saturday	1:00 PM	Prince Hall -Golden Gate 4-Order of Eastern Star
Jan 12, 2022	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Rainbow Assembly #9
Jan 13, 2022	Thursday	1:00 PM	Oddfellows—Pilgrim #187 - Virtual Zoom
Jan 20, 2022	Thursday	7:30 PM	Alderwood #185 -Order of Eastern Star
Jan 26, 2022	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Rainbow Assembly #9

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Notice to all Valley of Everett Members

The Valley of Everett structure for membership dues are as follows::

Annual Yearly Dues for 2022,	\$150 Per Year
Annual Yearly Dues for 2023,	
Life Membership Fees over 75 year Old	
Life Membership Fees under 75 years old	

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From the Almoner's desk

John Mathers, 32°, KCCH

If you know of anyone who is ill, in a nursing home or hospital please contact me as soon as possible so I can send them a card or pay them a visit. May God bless each and every one of you. I can be reached either by phone at 425-788-3772 (home Phone) or email me at: i.mathers@comcast.net

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