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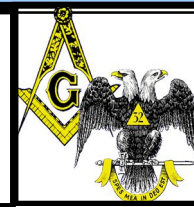
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THE RITE BULLETIN



*From The Personal Representative
Ill. James G. Hamlin, 33°*



Welcome to the new year! We have again reached that time when the days are getting longer giving us more light. This yearly rotation around the sun can be a reminder of our quest in Masonry.

It is appropriate that our Valley starts the new year with a new class of candidates. As they go through the Degrees, they are afforded the opportunity to increase their knowledge, ending their Scottish Rite degree journey as we approach the time of the year when our days are the longest. Granted our quest for light does not end with the 32nd Degree but the framework is presented, and tools offered to help us continue to better ourselves.

In Freemasonry we frequently hear the word inculcate which means "to teach and impress by frequent repetitions or admonitions." Is this not the purpose of our Blue Lodge and Scottish Rite Degrees? There are far too many lessons in each Degree to fully understand them in one sitting. Our ritual and Degrees are used to teach by frequent repetition. To impress or admonish us to increase our knowledge and to be better.

It is said that a good way to learn is to teach. Participating in our Scottish Rite Degrees is helping to teach them. We can view and hear a degree and take away some of its meanings but by reading and or memorizing a role we gain a deeper understanding. As an example, we can watch an Entered Apprentice Degree and gain some knowledge. But if your brain works like mine, our minds tend to wander. Conferring the Degree forces us to be in the moment, to fully concentrate on the words we are reciting (and hopefully the meaning of the words).

I encourage you to participate in our degrees. It will

serve at least three purposes; help you better understand the meaning of the degrees, to help our candidates in their understanding and, to support our new Scottish Rite Masons in their journey. Please contact Brother Mike Dulaney 32°, our Director of Works, if you can assist.

Metaphorically switching gears, each Scottish Rite Valley is governed by the Statutes of the Supreme Council and our by-laws. I have asked the Temple Board of Trustees and the Valley's executive committee to review our by-laws to make sure we are in compliance and to make changes as needed. Each of the four bodies (Lodge of Perfection, Chapter of Rose Croix, Council of Kadosh, and the Consistory) has its own set of by-laws. The executive committee consists of the three principal officers of each body, the General Secretary, the Treasurer, and the Personal Representative.

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After revisions are made, each body will vote on their acceptance. I mention this because we too often forget that there are rules that organizations must follow and that we need to remain true to the purpose and regulations of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite SJ. We need to do more than just have meetings and perform degrees.

My time as a member of the Scottish Rite has mostly been spent on fellowship, degree performance and working on the esoteric lessons of the Rite. Completing three of the Master Craftsman courses, reading *Morals and Dogma*, and other activities has provided a better understanding of myself and the world at large. What I have not studied is what I call the mechanics of the Rite, the rules and regulations and the business aspects of running a Valley. So, as I learn I will try to pass on some of the "mechanics" in my monthly messages to you. As in our Blue Lodges there are three major functions, social, business, and education. To achieve our status as a premier Valley, we must understand each.

January 15th is the date for the conferral of the 4th Degree, Secret Master. Please join the 2024 class in the beginning of their Scottish Rite journey.

Special thanks to our Grand Master (and member of Everett Valley), Most Worshipful Brother Steve Martin and Lady Robin for taking time out of their busy schedules to shoot the photo of me that is now hanging in the lobby.

So good-bye 2023, hello 2024. My best wishes to you and your families for the coming year.

Jim Hamlin 33°

Personal Representative to the Valley of Everett.



2024 Life Membership Per Capita

By Kenneth Thompson, 32°, KCCH, Treasurer, Valley of Everett

Brethren all:

As projected increases are inevitable in both our homes and as well - the Valley of Everett Temple. There is Insurance, Taxes, Utilities along with need to create a contingency fund to handle unexpected expenses like the roof, furnace; elevator and/or other maintenance issues that tend to bite us in the behind when they are least expected.

The Valley of Everett has done some major work to our kitchen to make it a licensed commissary kitchen and we presently have several vendors who pay rent and storage rooms fees. With this comes the burden of a required cleaning policy of the of the installed kitchen stove vents and inspection of the Ansul Fire System, which is twice a year and then pay \$600 dollars annually permit fees to the Snohomish County Health Department for that privilege. All this requires us to hire a certified licensed technician to perform these functions. The rent and storage fees received from these vendors cover these costs and also produces a positive flow of income to the Valley of Everett.

The Valley of Everett is on a very tight budget and as the Treasurer for the Valley of Everett, I keep a close watch on both the dollars and pennies that are received and expended each and every month.

As we are all apparent, each year the Southern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite assesses

every Orient in the nation a per capita fee per member of \$32.00 and the Orient of Washington assesses a per capita of \$2 for Rite Care and \$3 for Scholarship for a total annual assessment of \$5, together a total of \$37.00 per member per year. After a lengthy discussion in the Lodge of Perfection - it was M/S/P to increase annual dues to \$187.00 which includes \$150.00 for their Annual Dues to the Valley of Everett and Annual Per Capita of \$37.00 which all non-life members pay annually.

Life members have been told that as a life membership your dues and per capita would be covered for the rest of your life and after, when the Supreme Architect calls you to his house, not made with hands. The Valley of Everett understands this however your Valley is asking for the assistance of all its Life Members. If you and your family are financially able to and that it will not cause financial harm to yourself and family, please forward your 2024 Per Capita of \$37.00 payable to Scottish Rite to our General Secretary Terry Grove. Your check can be mailed directly to Valley of Everett Scottish Rite, 2431 Rucker Ave, Unit 1, Everett, Washington 98201.

Thank you, my Brethren, for taking the time to read this article and responding if you are able to support the Valley of Everett with the submission of your 2024 per capita, please be sure that your generosity will be much appreciated. Thank you again.

The Enlightenment and Masonry, Part 8

By Richard Llewellyn Jones, 32°, KCCH

We can trace the period historians refer to the Enlightenment to Francis Bacon (1561-1626). In fairness, we should also mention the equally seminal input from Bacon's contemporary, René Descartes (1596-1650) to whom the next Article will turn.

Bacon began his formal education at Trinity College, Cambridge in 1573 at the age of 12. Typical for young men of position and money. However, he did not complete his course of studies. But while at Trinity College and in the midst of the paradigm shifting discoveries made by Nicolaus Copernicus (1473-1543), Tycho Brahe (1546-1601), Johannes Kepler (1571-1630) and Galileo (1564-1642) that challenged the prevailing Ptolemaic earth-centric cosmology favored by the Church, Bacon found the intellectual paradigms of Aristotelian Scholasticism wanting. He argued that mixing religion and "natural philosophy" (science) only muddled both by the focus on the description of phenomena rather than on the observation of the phenomena.

After turning away from his formal education, Bacon began his professional career in the Tudor and Stuart governments as a lawyer and government minister: MP from 1581-1614, Queen's Counsel in 1597, knighted in 1603, Solicitor general in 1607, Attorney General in 1613, and Lord High Chancellor from 1617-1621. His career in government was largely distinguished, but his pursuits outside of government were equally remarkable. For instance, Bacon was highly influential in establishing the British colonies in Virginia, the Carolinas and Newfoundland, receiving a charter from the King in 1610.

Despite a highly public life, Bacon is also the subject to a few largely debunked conspiracy theories: (1) that he, not William Shakespeare, wrote the plays and poetry ascribed to the "Bard"; and (2) that he was a member, if not the founder, of the Order of the Rosy Cross, apparently establish a year before he was born. There is absolutely no credible evidence to support either of these conspiracy theories or that Bacon held any of the beliefs associated with Rosicrucianism.

However, Bacon's lasting contribution to Western culture is his criticism of Aristotelian Scholasticism. He rejected the deductive paradigm that sought to understand nature from references to the Bible, Greek philosophers and religious scholars. Bacon argued that mixing religion with natural philosophy lead to the confusion of both. Instead of understanding nature from the Bible, Bacon argued one should closely observe God's creation directly and derive knowledge of the world around us from those observations.

In its conflation of religion and natural philosophy, Bacon argued that Aristotelian Scholasticism embodied

several "Idols of the Mind", of which there were essentially four. His criticism of Aristotelian Scholasticism is outlined in his unfinished tome, *Novum Organum* (The New Directions Concerning the Interpretation of Nature), the first volume published in 1620.

First is the Idol of the Tribe founded on human nature – the tribe of men. Our understanding the world is necessarily limited by the "scale of man and not the universe."

Second is the Idol of the Cave, based upon our personal prejudices and experiences. Our individual experiences, education, moral and religious up-bringing are necessarily projected into our understanding of the world around us.

Third is the Idol of the Market, based upon "mutual agreement and association of the human race." Bacon identified this Idol as "the greatest nuisance of them all." This Idol arises from the limitation on our understanding of the universe based on our use of language, which ultimately reduces everything to the lowest common denominator. The ambiguity in the use of language was inherent in Aristotelian Scholasticism of the late Renaissance that exalted words over things. Can you imagine trying to understand the elegance of Einstein's Theory of Relativity when reduced to a "Dick and Jane" early reader?

Fourth is the Idol of the Theatre, based upon the "dogma of philosophers and misguided laws of demonstration." Specifically, Bacon was referring to Aristotelian Scholasticism that relied too heavily on Aristotle's "sophistical" natural philosophy and Plato's "superstitious philosophy."

Bacon was no fool and understood that his criticisms necessarily had to comport with prevailing Christian sensibilities to avoid running afoul of the Church – consider the Church's handling of Galileo. To that end, he argued that Christian ethics required scientific knowledge to benefit society and one's fellow creatures – not to be merely a basis for desultory polemic argument (i.e. the number of angels that can dance on the head of a pin!)

In *Novum Organum*, Bacon asserted that knowledge is human power, that natural philosophy (science) must be separated from theology, that scientific knowledge must be sought through inductive means – particulars to generalizations – and tested through experimentation and open to revision, and, that the pursuit of science is dynamic, cooperative and cumulative – no person can hope to be omniscient. The pursuit of knowledge and truth requires dedication to a methodology based upon the pursuit of empirical evidence and experimental analysis of the data

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to reach general laws of nature – the guiding principles upon which God’s great creation operates.

Unlike René Descartes (1596-1650) to whom we will next turn, Bacon’s Method was practical and empirical. Bacon maintained a profound concern that the human intellect had significant limitations in achieving real knowledge and ultimate truths. While Descartes doubted the ability of human senses to provide accurate information concerning our natural world, Bacon doubted the ability of our minds to deduce knowledge given the prevailing influence of his Idols of the Mind. While Descartes was searching for absolute Truth, Bacon doubted it could ever be achieved, given the complexity, enormity and majesty of God’s creation and our pitifully insignificant place in it. This has certainly been borne out over our nearly 400 years of applying the scientific method espoused by Bacon to our pursuit of knowledge about our natural world – the more we know, the more there is to learn.

Finally, in a bit of irony, Bacon died April 9, 1626, of pneumonia while conducting an experiment: using snow to preserve meat. As one commentator has observed, Bacon was a martyr to the scientific method he encouraged. But Bacon was not alone in his criticism of Aristotelian Scholasticism.

From the Desk of the General Secretary

By Terry Grove, 33°

My brother, this is my annual reminder to pay your **annual dues**. We currently have 44 (forty-four) Brothers who have yet to remit their 2024 dues of **\$187**. We are carrying two (2) of whom have not paid their 2023 dues of \$187. Bear in mind that each Valley in the Southern Jurisdiction must remit the per capita \$30 for each member, whether the member may have paid or not. Dues for 2023 and 2024 are \$187 each.

Our most recent assessment (90%) was \$4,470 and in February 2024 we will be billed the remaining 10%. Your annual dues are due by December 31st each year. The date of this article is December 15th, 2023.

You also need to keep in mind that we have an Orient of Washington per capita fee of \$5 which is \$2 Rite Care and \$3 Scottish Rite Scholarship Foundation.

While we don't usually drop people NPD after only 1 year, it certainly helps the Valley of Everett to meet our financial obligations (*taxes, insurance, utilities, operational expenses*) and goals.

As always, if you are having trouble with paying your dues, or wish to pay electronically, please contact me as your Secretary at terrygrove50@yahoo.com or 425-610-4561

VALLEY OF EVERETT CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| Jan 15 | Monday—Lodge of Perfection—6:30 PM Buffet—Stated Meeting—Confer 4th° |
| Jan 22 | Monday—Combined Board of Trustee's and ExCom meeting- Zoom at 7:00 PM |
| Feb 05 | Monday—Lodge of Perfection—6:30 PM Buffet—Feast of Kadosh |
| Feb 19 | Monday—Lodge of Perfection—6:30 PM Buffet —Stated Meeting—Confer 14th° |
| Feb 26 | Monday—Combined Board of Trustee's and ExCom meeting- Zoom at 7:00 PM |
| Mar 04 | Monday—Lodge of Perfection—6:30 PM Buffet—Stated Meeting |
| Mar 18 | Monday—Chapter of Rose Croix— 6:30 PM Punch Bowl—7:00 PM Dinner—
Ceremony of Remembrance—RSVP Dinner |
| Mar 25 | Monday—Combined Board of Trustee's and ExCom meeting- Zoom at 7:00 PM |

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

Electronic Communications and Freemasonry (Its Demise or a Blessing)

By Kenneth Thompson, 32°, KCCH

Freemasonry has evolved throughout our world for over 6,000 years and will continue to be a prevalent force for a very long time, however, our modes of communications has progressed into the 21st century. With the development of the computer and smart phones, electronic communications have exploded and now with the birth of AI, we are still learning on how this will be affecting us as individuals and the Masonic fraternity.



During the past three (3) years with the COVID 19 pandemic, where we as Masons were not allowed to meet by our Grand Jurisdictions. Masonic Lodges gravitated to social media, email, text messaging and the Zoom meetings to continue the legacy of Freemasonry during this time. It seems that Lodges and Valleys became too reliant on the electronic medium and degraded the human touch of brotherly love, and fellowship with our fellow Brother Masons. In years past before the birth of modern communication, Brethren communicated with their lodges via voice telephone and USPS (snail mail) for lodge communications, however, we do have younger breed of Masons who thrive on social media and we need to ensure that they are taken care of. While we communicate to all our members, young and old, we can be successful using electronic communications for the younger more computer savvy Mason brothers via email or via text message which is probably their preferred method, but for some of our older members, we may need to revert back to the archaic ways of communications, the United States Postal Service and telephone calls, mainly because they may not have a computer or they may be computer illiterate. Masonic Lodges and Valleys need to be flexible in their methods of communicating with them by way of the US Mail or by verbal phone calls from one Brother to another. This may or may not help however, as we all know the key to success in any personal relationship, fraternal or commercial settings, communication is the key to a harmonious and prosperous outcome, but we must communicate on a level that our intended audience desires and uses.

I just received my dues notice, via email, from the secretary of one of my lodges asking for my per capita for the Grand Lodge 2024 year with various lines to donate additional dollars to the Building Fund, General Funds or the Lodge Scholarship Fund. In the past, there would be a letter from the Lodge with what had happened and what the previous funds were used for. Not this time, the dues notice was cold in nature, sent by email and just asking for money with no explanation of where or why it will be used for by the Lodge and for what.

As the editor of the monthly Valley of Everett "Rite Bulletin" Newsletter, of which I have been doing for 20 plus years. Both I and the General Secretary have a separate email distribution list, his to the general membership of the Valley of Everett, and mine to contacts all over the world. We both send the newsletter by email and we know everybody on our list does not read it, but we know some do and if we can reach those few then we consider it success. The newsletter is also posted on our web page also. When the Valley was a much wealthier one, we would have the newsletter printed monthly and it would be mailed by US Mail to all our Valley members and the widows of deceased Valley members, however that is not the case anymore, for now, it is all done by email, due to the increase in the cost of printing and mailing.

In talking with another Brother, he had just received his dues notice via the Grand Lodge in their dues notice program. His own personal lodge did not send him, his dues notice, Grand Lodge did and when he did go to Lodge, they handed him an envelope and a copy of the letter. This is our annual dues season and a chance for our lodge to get close and personal with its membership but too many rely on electronic communications because it is easier, cheaper, and a lot less work.

As a Scottish Rite Valley or a Masonic Lodge, one must decide what type of communications will be best for the situation. Is the method selected by the Valley or the Masonic Lodge going to be the demise of it or will it be a blessing? You must look at your present Lodge Membership Roll, yes, it could be both, the demise of it and a blessing. It is all dependent upon the age of the Brother and the computer savviness of that Brother. The question should be do you use the USPS (Snail Mail) or a Telephone Call or is social media, via email or text message, you must choose. Your choice could mean the difference of your Lodge or Valley gaining or losing the return of an older Masonic Brothers or that of our younger Masonic Brothers.

As of now, as we live in the year 2024, well into the 21st century, modern times means that our Valleys and Lodges must cater to both the old and the young Brother Mason. It may be more work for our Valleys and Lodges, however proper communications to all can only mean a fuller Lodge Room and the ability to spread the fellowship and brotherly love that is only available in the Masonic fraternity,

Just In Case You Missed Our Last Month Valley of Everett Meetings

12/4/2023 Stated Meeting

Thanks to those who braved a stormy evening on Monday for the dinner to honor King County Fire District #50. We had another excellent dinner (thank you Alice) served by Everett Rainbow Assembly #9, good fellowship, and an informative round of Masonic trivia. Unfortunately, due to illness & weather the Fire Chief and his wife were unable to attend, the beautiful plaque will be delivered to the fire station when weather and time permits along with our appreciation for the work they do.



12/18/2023 Stated Meeting

At this meeting of the Valley, we installed those elected officers who had not been installed before. Four candidates petitions for the Valley of Everett Scottish Rite degrees for the Class of 2024 were received and Brother Jeff Maynor, 32°, KCCH gave a presentation on the Signs and Signals of

each Scottish Rite body. For those who were in attendance, the Valley thanks you.

Volunteer opportunity

The 2024 Conference of Grand Masters of Masons in North America will be held in Seattle Saturday, February 17th through Wednesday, February 21st. Past Grand Master, MWB Jim Mendoza is asking for volunteers to assist and welcome visiting Grand Lodge Officers from a multitude of North American jurisdictions.

Opportunities include guiding visitors arriving at Sea-Tac Airport to various transportation options, directing/escorting guests from the light rail station at Westlake Center to the Weston Hotel (one block away) or assisting with registration. If you are interested in this unique opportunity to meet, welcome, and visit with masons from throughout North America and in some cases worldwide, please contact MWB Jim. His email address is jim@mendozaline.net

The Scottish Rite Scholarship Foundation of Washington.

By Joe Towns, 32°

Hello Everett Valley Brethren.

The mission of the Scottish Rite is 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.

One of the philanthropies we established and continue to embrace, in support of our mission, is **The Scottish Rite Scholarship Foundation of Washington.**

The Foundation was established to provide top performing college students with scholarships and fellowships that will assist in their higher education goals. Since 1958, our objective has remained strong of "**Preserving American Ideals Through Education**".

The Scottish Rite Scholarship Foundation of Washington proudly awards numerous scholarships each year to undergraduate students in the State of Washington. The scholarship is purely merit-based to promote and foster dedicated students in their path to success. Each year, the foundation awards \$3,000.00 scholarships to college students entering their junior or senior year of college. Juniors who receive this award are eligible to receive an additional \$3,000.00 award, in their senior year, as long as they continue to meet the minimum requirements to re-

ceive a scholarship, thereby receiving \$6,000.00 over two years.

In addition, the Foundation takes great pride in assisting graduate students in their journey, by funding Fellowships in the amount of \$6,000.00. The individual schools choose the Fellows for their respective programs from students already enrolled and working toward their degree.

As the Director for the Everett Valley for the Scottish Rite Scholarship Foundation of Washington, it is my pleasure to be part of this incredibly rewarding and inspiring program and to let everyone in the Valley of Everett know that the application process is now open. If you are, or know of, a student who will be entering their junior or senior year of college, they can navigate to <https://scholarships.srsfw.org> and click on Register Now. This is where they will see the minimum requirements for scholarship qualifications and to begin the process. I encourage each of you to reach out to all potential students and encourage them to explore our offerings.

Fraternally,
Joe Towns 32°, Everett Valley Director



The History of Freemasons For the Month of January

January 9—In 1908 US President and Bro; Theodore Roosevelt proclaimed Muir Woods a National Monument. Most of the majestic redwood trees that once covered many of northern California's coastal valleys were cut down during the extensive logging of the 19th century. Only the least accessible trees were spared. Fortunately, a stand of old-growth redwood survived in Marin County, a short distance from San Francisco. Congressman William Kent purchased the land in 1905 and donated it to the Federal Government. Although Roosevelt had suggested naming it after Kent, the congressman requested that it honor the name of John Muir, the naturalist, writer, and crusader for national parks who founded the Sierra Club conservationist organization.

January 18—In 1892, Bro. Oliver Hardy, film comedian, was born at Atlanta, GA. Bro. Hardy teamed up with Stan Laurel in 1926 to form the comedy team of Laurel and Hardy. Among their most popular films were Soup to Nuts, Babes in Toyland, Swiss Miss and many others. Bro. Hardy died at Hollywood, August 7, 1957. Bro. Hardy was a member of Solomon Lodge 20, Jacksonville, Fla.

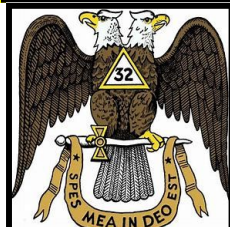
January 20—In 2001, Bro. Edwin (Buzz) Aldrin, former astronaut and one of the first three men to walk on the moon, turned 71 years of age. In 1969 he co-piloted the landing on the moon the Apollo 11 lunar module, the mission which took the first men to the moon.., The photograph of Aldrin on the Moon has become the classic image of man's conquest of space. He was born in Montclair, NJ January 20, 1930, and initiated in Montclair Lodge 144, New Jersey. Bro. Aldrin is currently a member of Newark Lodge, No. 7, F&AM in Montclair, NJ.

January 24—In 1917, born in Hamden, CT. was Ernest Borgnine, better known as Ernest Borgnine. Bro. Borgnine was best known for his tough guy roles, but won his Oscar for playing the shy butcher in "Marty" in 1955. He also became well known for his role in television's and film's "McHale's Navy." He is a member of Abington Lodge No. 48, Abington, VA.

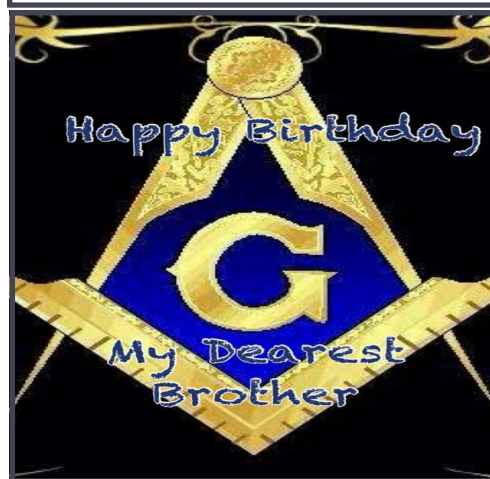
January 26—In 1880 the Mason who was to become US General and Supreme Commander of Allied Forces in the Southwest Pacific during World War II, was born in Little Rock, AR. Bro. Douglas MacArthur served as commander of the Rainbow division's 84th Infantry Brigade in World War I, leading it in the St. Mihiel, Meuse-Argonne and Sedan offensives. Remembered for his "I shall return" prediction when forced out of the Philippines by the Japanese during World War II, a promise he fulfilled. Relieved from Far Eastern command by President and Bro. Harry S Truman on April 11, 1951, during the Korean war. Bro. MacArthur died in Washington, DC, April 5, 1964.

January 30—In 1833, President and Bro. Andrew Jackson became the first U.S. president to become the target of an assassination attempt. The would-be assassin, Richard Lawrence, pulled a gun, which misfired, after which Bro. Jackson struck him with his cane. Lawrence then pulled a second gun, which also misfired.

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
Guy K Bernstein
William H Gruner III
Richard L Jones
Howard Livingston
Milo Milfs
Gerald H Purdum
Warren R Schoeben
Murat Tanyeri
Darrel J Tobias
Christopher Warrick
Thomas L Zellers



A Mason is not necessarily a member of a lodge. In a broad sense, he is any person who daily tries to live the Masonic life, and to serve intelligently the needs of the Great Architect.

YOUR LOCAL BLUE LODGE MONTHLY SCHEDULE

DISTRICT TWO MASONIC HAPPENINGS

January 2024

<i>Date</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>Event</i>
Jan 02	Tuesday	6:00PM	Shoreline 248	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner
Jan 09	Tuesday	6:00PM	Yancy C Blalock 265	Stated Meeting—6:00PM Dinner
Jan 11	Thursday	6:30PM	Edmonds 165	Stated Meeting—6:30PM Dinner
Jan 18	Thursday	6:00PM	Ashler 121	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner
Jan 23	Tuesday	6:30PM	Mill Creek 243	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner

DISTRICT EIGHT MASONIC HAPPENINGS

January 2024

<i>Date</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>Event</i>
Jan 02	Tuesday	7:00PM	Sultan Monroe 160	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner
	Tuesday	7:00PM	Crystal 122	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner
Jan 03	Wednesday	6:30 PM	Centennial 25	Stated Meeting- 6:00PM Dinner
Jan 06	Saturday	8:00 AM	SLOC Meeting	Sultan Monroe 160 Hosting at Centennial #25
Jan 08	Monday	7:30PM	Everett 137	Stated Meeting—6:30PM Dinner
Jan 09	Tuesday	6:00PM	Damascus 199	Stated Meeting—6:00PM Dinner
Jan 10	Wednesday	6:30PM	Arlington 129	Stated Meeting—6:30 PM Dinner
Jan 11	Thursday	6:30PM	Peninsular 95	Stated Meeting—6:00PM Dinner
Jan 16	Tuesday	7:00PM	Crystal 122	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner
Jan 17	Wednesday	6:30 PM	Centennial 25	Stated Meeting- 6:00PM Dinner
	Wednesday	6:30 PM	West Gate 128	Stated Meeting—6:30 PM Dinner
Jan 23	Tuesday	6:00PM	Damascus 199	Stated Meeting—6:00PM Dinner
Jan 24	Wednesday	6:30PM	Arlington 129	Stated Meeting—6:30 PM Dinner
Jan 25	Thursday	6:30PM	Peninsular 95	Special Meeting- 6:00PM Dinner

DISTRICT NINE MASONIC HAPPENINGS

January 2024

<i>Date</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>Event</i>
Jan 03	Wednesday	6:30 PM	San Juan 175	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Jan 04	Thursday	6:30 PM	Skagit Valley 36	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Jan 09	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Fidalgo 77	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Jan 11	Thursday	6:30 PM	Camano 19	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Jan 16	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Whidby 15	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Jan 23	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Langley 218	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.

VALLEY OF EVERETT SCOTTISH RITE TEMPLE MONTHLY RENTAL SCHEDULE

JANUARY 2024

Jan 03	Wednesday	7:30 PM	Amaranth - Welcome Court #58
Jan 04	Thursday	7:30 PM	Alderwood #185 Order of Eastern Star
Jan 07	Sunday	1:00PM	Prince Hall—SR Consistory 118
Jan 10	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Rainbow Assembly #9
Jan 11	Thursday	1:00 PM	Oddfellows—Pilgrim #187 - Stated Meeting/Zoom
Jan 13	Saturday	10:00 AM	Prince Hall - Evergreen #9
Jan 13	Saturday	1:00 PM	Prince Hall -Golden Gate 4-Order of Eastern Star
Jan 18	Thursday	7:30 PM	Alderwood #185 -Order of Eastern Star
Jan 24	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Rainbow Assembly #9
Jan 25	Thursday	1:00 PM	Oddfellows—Pilgrim #187 - Stated Meeting/Zoom

Notice to all Valley of Everett Members

The Valley of Everett structure for membership dues are as follows:\
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Rose Croix Funeral Service

This service is very beautiful and available to all members of the Scottish Rite; however, Members must make their desires

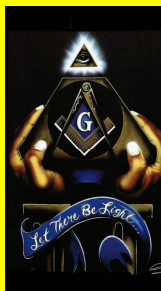


known to their families and the Valley. Should you desire a Rose Croix Funeral Service, when the time does come, please let your families know now. Ensure that they have the phone number of our Valley General Secretary, Terry Grove when that time does come - Terry can be reached at 425-610-4561 or email him at terrygrove50@yahoo.com

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: j.mathers@comcast.net

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