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# E RITE BULLETIN



# From The Personal Representative Don Munks, 33°



Congratulations to our newest members of Everett Valley Scottish Rite, RWB Steve Martin and Br Paul Michael Bean. The Valley will be closing out our candidate season with the "Cap & Ring" Ceremony on June 5<sup>th</sup> and expecting a beautiful ceremony along with lots of Scottish Rite Masons, family and friends attending. A delicious salmon/chicken dinner is planned by Alice and servicing of all in attendance by the girls of Rainbow Assembly #9.

It is important to remember that we will not have any candidates for 2024 if we all don't to act as honorable, honest, make the effort to talk about Scottish Rite and joining Everett Valley when we attend our blue lodge meetings. Candidates for the degrees in Scottish Rite don't just come banging on our doors to let them in,

they need to be asked to join and they also need an explanation as to why it is important to join. VWB Jim Hamlin has produced a very informative brochure for us to hand out wherever we attend and you can take some with you. You can find them at the Tyler's desk. In our first 3 degrees we learn where we started from and how we are supposed to learn how to better ourselves as men, husbands, fathers, community members. Scottish Rite teaches us the further lessons of how we are supposed and dependable men.

Please help us by buying and/or selling tickets for our Valley fundraiser which is an ice chest on wheels loaded with top shelf fifths of alcohol. The tickets only cost \$5.00

with the value of the full ice chest being \$500.00. Your Temple/Executive Board is always looking at ways to pay the expenses of keeping the doors open but we can really use and appreciate every members commitment to helping us raise the money needed that is above and beyond our rents and dues.

I hope that everyone has a fun and enjoyable summer. Please stay safe and healthy. See you all in September. Fraternally, Don



## **OLD GLORY SPEAKS**

By Lee Schuirman, 32°, KCCH

This flag which we honor and under which we serve is the emblem of our unity, our power, our thoughts and our purpose as a nation.

In the early 1940's, the United States, along with the other allied nations of the world, were drawn into the Word War II on two different fronts. This flag hung in recruiting offices all over our nation, and men and women from all walks of life flocked to it. Regardless of which branch of the service they joined, each and every one of them took an oath, to protect and defend it against all enemies, both foreign and domestic. At which time, each and every one of them signed a Check, a blank check. It was made out to you, the citizens of the United States of America, in the amount of "My Life".

If this flag could talk it would tell you it saw that check cashed more times than it cares to remember. It has seen the incoming tides in both the Atlantic and Pacific run red with the blood of our fallen youth. If you can read, your thanks and gratitude should go to your teachers, but if you can read English, you might consider thanking a veteran, for you do not salute the ancestry of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Reich, nor do you bow to the rising sun. Many gave up all of their tomorrows so we can enjoy ours here today.

Thirty-one words. We learned them as small children, we have memorized them, we said them in school every day. The question is: How does this piece of cloth come to hold such power. The answer is the sun never shined on anything more beautiful or of greater worth. It is truly the symbol of our freedom, and if it could talk it would tell you a great deal of its history.

It would tell you I was conceived in the dreams of liberty and the hopes of freedom. I was designed and made by the hands of Betsy Ross and her sewing basket became my cradle. And Although I was never an orphan, I was adopted by the Continental Congress in 1777 and with a tremendous amount of both pride and pleasure, I became the national emblem of a newly born nation on this continent, desperately fighting for survival and destined to bring to all of its people a new concept of life, liberty and pursuit of happiness.

In one form or another I have been many places and have seen many events of our American history. I saw the signal that started the midnight ride of Paul Revere, and I heard John Paul Jones state, when asked to surrender ", I have not yet begun to fight" and I saw Molly Pitcher take the cannon swab

from her dead husband's hand and help carry on the fight for freedom and I rode with Ethan Allen and the Green Mountain Boys.

I was there when George Washington became the Commander-in-Chief and I felt the biting cold of Valley

Forge and brought comfort to the tired and hungry troops of the Continental Army. I was flown from the masts of Old Ironsides and above the decks of the Yankee and China Clippers. I was there in the late twilight at Fort McHenry and inspired Francis Scott Key to write the Star-Spangled Banner which was to become our National Anthem. I blazed the trail west with Daniel Boone, Davy Crockett and Lewis and Clark.

I was carried through the Halls of Montezuma and to the shores of Tripoli. I charged up the slopes of San Juan Hill with Teddy Roosevelt and his Rough Riders and I stayed with the Boys in World War One until it was over – over there. I was with them on the battle fields of France and saw many of the youth and manhood of our nation fall and lie silent in death. They had given their last full measure of devotion and the war was over for them forever. But I have kept my lonely watch over their graves and stayed to watch the poppies grow row on row between the crosses in Flanders' Fields.

I was there at Pearl Harbor, Berlin, the Battle of the Bulge, the Ardenne, and on the beaches at Anzio, Guam, Guadalcanal, Pelielieu, The Philippines, Saipan, The Solomand Tarawa. I have been through the valley of death on Okinawa, Midway and the Coral Sea. I was raised by six brave men during the battle on Iwo Jima. I was there on the French coast at Normandy on D-Day.

As the landing craft approached the beaches, I heard the squad leaders call out to their troops "**30 seconds to the beach, may your God be with you**"

When the ramps came down, they came face to face with a gauntlet of barbed wire, landmines, artillery and mortar shells dropping everywhere. The German zipper ripped and the bullets fell like rain drops.

No amount of medical training could have possibly prepared these young medics for the carnage that awaited them on the beaches.

Thousands met the supreme architect of their universe that morning, without ever knowing the outcome of this war they had been drawn into or the importance of the sacrifice they had just made. The future of the free world was decided that day, at a great cost. Many of these young men had seen their last morning sunrise and would never to become grandfathers

And I sank beneath the waves with four heroic chaplains who gave up their life vests and went down with their ship to honored glory. I waved gloriously above the decks of the battleship Missouri in Tokyo Bay on that victorious day September 2,1945.

I waved proudly over our troops as they fought at the Chosin Reservoir and in the frozen mountains of Korea, the steaming jungles of Southeast Asia where Continued on Page 3 Old Glory Speaks Continued from Page 2 we fought an elusive enemy in an unforgiving terrain. I was there at the World Trade Center in New York City, the Pentagon in Washington, D. C. and a lonely field in Pennsylvania on the that fateful day of September 11, 2001. I was there in Bosnia, Somalia, Iraq and Afghanistan.

I am many things to many people. I am an inseparable link in the chain that binds people of our country. Because I am a symbol of our great country, our enemies would choose to destroy me; but they dare not. I am protected by the mighty land armies of the Nation, the powerful and deadly fleet of the Navy and the Screaming Eagles and Flying Fortresses of the Air Force, watching and waiting to swoop down and destroy anything that might harm me. Throughout our short history as a nation whenever danger threatened millions of Americans have left their homes and families to defend me and the nation for which I stand...many hundreds of thousands never to return.

Yet, they are here wrapped forever with my folds, their purity is remembered in my stripes of white, Their blood has given me my stripes of red, Their courage is embedded in my blue, and their souls are cradled in my stars where I will watch over them forever for we are truly one nation under whatever God you chose to believe in.

I drape the caskets of our Nation's heroes, borne to their final resting place; the caskets of presidents, generals, admirals, and humble privates. I proudly guard the tomb of the Unknown Soldier, and it is I who feel their tears when I am placed in the trembling arms of grieving parent at the grave of their son or daughter who has made the ultimate sacrifice for your freedom. Wherever free men gather; wherever there is justice, equality, faith, hope, charity, truth and brotherly love; there, too, am I.

The Symbol of Liberty. The Light of Humanity An Emblem of Mans Faith. A Beacon shining in the Darkness.

May history NEVER write my obituary, for I am the "Stars and Stripes" forever.

I AM "OLD GLORY!"

# A Toast to the Flag

By John Daly, 1917

Here's to the red of it--There's not a thread of it, No, nor a shred of it In all the spread of it From foot to head. But heroes bled for it, Faced steel and lead for it, Precious blood shed for it, Bathing it Red!

Here's to the white of it--Thrilled by the sight of it, Who knows the right of it, But feels the might of it Through day and night? Womanhood's care for it Made manhood dare for it, Purity's prayer for it Keeps it so white!



Here's to the blue of it--Beauteous view of it, Heavenly hue of it, Star-spangled dew of it Constant and true; Diadems gleam for it, States stand supreme for it, Liberty's beam for it

Brightens the blue!

Here's to the whole of it--Stars, stripes and pole of it, Body and soul of it, O, and the roll of it, Sun shining through; Hearts in accord for it, Swear by the sword for it, Thanking the Lord for it, Red White and Blue!

## The Enlightenment and Masonry, Part 2

By Richard Llewellyn Jones, 32°, KCCH

There is no historical record to suggest the tion. origins of speculative Freemasonry reach back much farther than the 17<sup>th</sup> Century (1600) - certainly not in the form we practice it today. So, the question arises: what was culturally going on at that time that would inspire the creation of speculative masonry? It can be argued that Freemasonry arose in response to what historians describe as the Enlightenment.

Perhaps "enlightened" men of learning, culture and prominence gravitated to Freemasonry as a forum in which they could meet and discuss radical new ideas that could potentially expose them to harm. Threats abounded in the late <sup>15<sup>th</sup></sup> Century to "free thinkers" from the Catholic Church and the divine right kingships of Europe who had no interest in or tolerance for any idea that could undermine the status quo. Those who voiced such ideas were dealt with harshly with deadly determination.

For the Catholic Church, the advent of the printing press provided individuals of financial means the opportunity to read the Bible for themselves. Without a clerical filter, such individuals could read and determine for themselves God's word, which was a significant challenge to the Church's absolute authority and exclusive hold on the ecclesiastical commentary.

Ironically, the challenge to the Church came from within the clergy in the form of Martin Luther. But, Luther's challenge would have come to naught were it not for learned and prominent men (and women) who supported his view of the Church and its authority based on their own reading of the Bible, which they had at hand thanks to Herr Guttenberg. The threat and reach of the Church was real. Remember how the Church dealt with Jacque DeMolav and Galileo Galilei with what the Church determined to be heretical behavior. Certainly, men of learning, culture and prominence had every reason to create and seek out a forum in which they could meet and discuss radical new ideas that could otherwise expose them to harm from the Inquisi-

From the divine right kings of Europe, men of learning, culture and prominence had good reason to be fearful and limit any view of government that ran contrary to the crown's absolute right to rule. Certainly, as the Bible became more available and more widely read without clerical filters, Old Testament stories of patriarchs and prophets urging the Israelites to overthrow impious rulers gained currency and provided a justification to the learned of the 16<sup>th</sup> Century to question the absolute "divine authority" of their kings and to consider an alternative basis for the government of society.

The threat and reach of these local kings and nobles was also real. Remember Henry VIII's (1492 - 1547) intolerance of those who whispered challenges to his reign and authority. This, too, gave men of learning, culture and prominence reason to create and seek out a forum in which they could meet and discuss radical new ideas of government that could expose them to harm (beheading) from the crown.

With these concerns for their safety, men of learning, culture and prominence needed a venue in which they could meet and discuss heretical and treasonous ideas without the fear of reprisal. To this end, the operative masonic lodges offered themselves to such men, who the operative lodges sought out for sponsorship.

As the operative lodges lost members, such sponsorship was important to sustain their ongoing efforts on behalf of their operative membership. For the speculative masonic sponsors, the lodge provided them, through the mythology and symbols, a readymade forum for discussion of more liberal philosophical ideas – ideas that became the bulwark of the Enlightenment. The historical proof of this premise is scant. However, we do have two early speculative masons, Sir Robert Moray (1608-1673) and Elias Ashmole (1617-1692), who may shed some light and support on my argument. To these two early masons, I will turn in my next article

### The Price of Freedom

By Dewey Wollstein, 32°, KCCH

Whatever may be the trend of government, particularly in a country that has known Freedom in its true meaning, the trend follows the will of the people. A change from democratic principles and ideals reveals a change in the temperament of the people. A movement toward a socialistic government proves the weakness of the people who have become wholly indifferent to the Price of Freedom. Such a move indicates the loss of faith and courage in the value of the individual. Such a move shows the moral apathy of a people who have been willing to accept privileges without assuming responsibilities, and who have walked a Primrose Path totally oblivious of the price paid by our forefathers for Precious Liberty.

We trade with our eyes open when we exchange Freedom for Subsidies, whether as a group, or as an individual beneficiary of such a gift. In this way many are guilty of being fivepercenters.

A free government is impossible apart from a people who are willing to pay the price for Liberty. Socialism, the perfect bridge to Communism and Fascism, removes all personal responsibility from the individual and gives back a set of instructions, a questionnaire, and other "official forms." The very air is heavy with 'agents' who direct your life from morning until night. Personality is without a market. Individual Enterprise is not the possession of a slave. Life becomes as patent as a joke told and retold.

Watch the trend of government. Do you see yourself in the masses who foolishly believe that government exists for the purpose of taking care of the people, or do you see yourself enjoying the carnival of "wild giving" by government of the money that cannot possibly originate with or be created by government?

Or, do you see yourself as one who is thinking clearly and calmly at a time when honest thinking may save our country from destruction?

## Washington Masonic Charities

By Meghan Ferland, Executive Director

#### Have You Heard?

One of our WAMS case managers has been helping a Masonic widow we'll call Frances, who's faced increasing challenges in the last year. Swelling in her feet and ankles has made it difficult for her to stand long enough to cook a meal, clean her home, garden, or move around much, even with a walker. Not being able to drive has been a huge change in her daily life, leaving her feeling isolated and alone.

Our case manager helped connect her to home care services for light house cleaning, meal preparation, and some transportation needs. She signed Frances up for Meals on Wheels to stretch her food budget and encourage proper nutrition, as well as linked her with a local medical transportation provider for rides to doctor's appointments, and with Community in Motion for her other transportation needs.

Each month now, our case manager checks in with Frances to see how she's doing, and she's thriving with her new supports. Frances enjoys traveling to special luncheons and spending time with her new caregiver who, in addition to addressing personal care needs, also spends time with her outside in the garden. Frances' quality of life has improved dramatically. She's shared that she feels comforted knowing she has a strong support team, including WAMS.

#### **Masons Care**

Masons Care is a program of Washington Masonic Charities, a 501 c 3 public charity, and the charitable arm of the Freemasons of Washington. Washington Masonic Charities is registered with the Office of Secretary of State of Washington. We can be contacted at 253-442-2505 or 844.288.3531 toll free, by mail at PO Box 65830 University Place, WA, or in person at 4970 Bridgeport Way W, University Place, WA 98467.



# The History of Freemasons For the Month of June

**June 01** -In 1801, born at Whittingham VT, was Mormon leader Bro. Brigham Young, who led thousands of religious followers from Nauvoo, IL across 1,000 miles of wilderness to settle more than 300 towns in the west, earning him the name, "the American Moses." When he died at Salt Lake City, UT August 29, 1877, he was survived by 17 wives and 47 children Utah observes as a state holiday the anniversary of his entry into Salt Lake Valley, July 24, 1847. Bro. Young succeeded Bro. Joseph Smith as head of the Mormon Church in 1847. Some confusion exists as to Bro. Young's[ Masonic affiliation But it is known that all the leaders, as well as many of the rank and file Mormons, were members of the Nauvoo Lodges. Bro. Young is also mentioned elsewhere in Mormon and Utah history as a Mason. He is also reported to have been a member of Milnor Lodge No. 139, Victor, New York.

June 03– In 1937, The Duke of Windsor, who as King Edward VIII, had abdicated the British throne on December 11, 1936, was married to Mrs. Wallis Warfield Simpson of Baltimore, MD at Monts, France. The couple made their home in France after their marriage and had little contact with the royal family. The Duke died at Paris on May 28, 1972, and was buried near Windsor Castle in England. The Duchess died April 25, 1986. Bro. Edward was a member of Household Brigade Lodge No. 2614. He became Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England in 1936.

**June 06**—In 1755, born at Coventry, CT was the American patriot, Bro. Nathan Hale. During the battles for New York in the American Revolution he volunteered to seek military intelligence behind enemy lines and was captured on the night of September 21, 1776. Before British General William Howe, Bro. Hale admitted to being an American officer and was ordered hanged the following morning. His dying words reportedly were: "I only regret I have but one life to lose for my country,." He was hanged September 22, 1776, at what is now the intersection of Market Street and East Broadway, New York City. The Martyred Bro. Nathan Hale was thought to be a member of St. John's Regimental Lodge of New York City. No real proof exists.

**June 08** – In 1845, Bro. Andrew Jackson -- a proud Mason who became seventh President of the US -- died at Nashville, NY. He became a national hero when as a major general in the US Army he was ordered to defend New Orleans in the war of 1812.He was elected Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee October 7, 1822, and again in 1823, serving until October , 1824.

**June 13**—In 1923, the magician and Mason Bro. Harry Houdini amazed a large and disbelieving audience as he freed himself from a straitjacket while suspended upside-down 40 feet (12 m) above the ground in New York City. The Hungarian entertainer was famous worldwide for staging the most dazzling and difficult escapes. Bro. Houdin was raised August 21, 1923 in St. Cecile Lodge No. 568 in New York City. He later came a member of Mecca Shrine Temple. He died October 31, 1926.

**June 13**—In 1777, the French soldier Bro. Marquis de Lafayette (whose given name was Marie Joseph Paul Yves Roch Gilbert du Montier) landed in the United States to aid the former colonies against Great Britain. His military career spanned five decades, during which he was a French Musketeer, a commander of American troops, and an anti-Bourbon revolutionary leader. He was commissioned a Major General in the continental Army on July 31, 1777. He became an intimate of Gen. and Bro. George Washington. He claimed to have been initiated in the Loge Contrat Social of Paris before he even came to America. He received the chapter degrees in Jerusalem Chapter No. 8 (RAM) September 12, 1824. His son, Bro. George Washington Lafayette received them in the same chapter four days earlier. He was knighted in Morton Commandery No. 4, K.T. and received the Scottish rite degrees in the Cerneau Supreme Council of New York and was made a 33rd degree and Honorary Grand Commander of that body . More than 75 Masonic Bodies in the US have been named after him , including 39 Lodges, 18 Chapters, 4 Councils, 4 Commanderies, and 87 Scottish Rite bodies. He died May 20, 1834.

**June 17**—In 1742, in Boston, MA, was born Bro. William Hooper, a signer of the US Declaration of Independence. He was a member of Masonboro Lodge in Masonboro, N.C., which ceased to exist in 1787. He died in October, 1790.

## Flag Day, June 14th, 2023

In the United States, **Flag Day** is celebrated on June 14. It commemorates the adoption of the flag of the United States on June 14, 1777, by resolution of the Second Continental Congress. The Flag Resolution, passed on June 14, 1777, stated: "Resolved, that the flag of the



thirteen United States be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation."

The United States Army also celebrates the U.S. Army birthday on this date; Congress adopted "the American continental army" after reaching a consensus position in the Committee of the Whole on June 14, 1775.

In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson issued a proclamation that officially established June 14 as Flag Day; on August 3, 1949, National Flag Day was established by an Act of Congress. Flag Day is not an official federal holiday. Title 36 of the United States Code, Subtitle I, Part A, CHAPTER 1, § 110 is the official statute on Flag Day; however, it is at the president's discretion to officially proclaim the observance. On June 14, 1937, Pennsylvania became the first U.S. state to celebrate Flag Day as a state holiday, beginning in the town of Rennerdale. New York Statutes designate the second Sunday in June as Flag Day, a state holiday.

Perhaps the oldest continuing Flag Day parade is

in Fairfield, Washington(situated in Spokane County). Beginning in 1909 or 1910, Fairfield has held a parade every year since, with the possible exception of

1918, and celebrated the "Centennial" parade in 2010, along with some other commemorative events. Appleton, Wisconsin, claims to be the oldest National Flag Day parade in the nation, held annually

since 1950. Quincy, Massachusetts, has had an annual Flag Day parade since 1952 and claims it "is the longestrunning parade of its kind" in the U.S. The largest Flag Day parade had been held annually in Troy, New York until 2017, which based its parade on the Quincy parade and typically draws 50,000 spectators. In addition, the Three Oaks, Michigan, Flag Day Parade is held annually on the weekend of Flag Day and is a three-day event and they claim to have the largest Flag Day parade in the nation as well as the oldest. In Washington, D.C., Flag Day is celebrated heavily through the 7th and 8th Wards of the city. It is said that Clyde Thompson is the "Godfather of Flag Day".

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

Jun 05 Monday Lodge of Perfection— 6:30 PM Buffet –Cap N Ring Ceremony

July 24 Monday

August Dark

Combined Board of Trustee's and ExCom meeting- Zoom at 6:00 PM

Sep 04 Monday—Labor Day

Sep 18 Monday—Lodge of Perfection—6:30 PM Buffet—Stated Meeting

Sep 25 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.

#### From the Desk of the General Secretary By Terry Grove, 33°

On June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023 we will be conducting the Cap & Ring Ceremony for brothers Paul-Michael Bean 32° and Steve C Martin 32°.

The Valley of Everett will be DARK for the remainder of June, July and August. We will hold a Board of Trustee's – Executive Council Meeting (BOT-ExCOM) on July 24<sup>th</sup> 2023 via Zoom. An invitation will be distributed in Mid-July via e-mail. Due to Labor Day falling on the first Monday on September 4<sup>th</sup> – we will not be resuming our fall meeting schedule until the third Monday – September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Don't forget to Celebrate June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023 as Flag Day. Here's a brief History of Flag Day as a celebration of the adoption of the American flag by Continental Congress in the First Flag Resolution of June 14, 1777. Although the 200 -year anniversary of this date was celebrated by flying flags on public buildings and holding remembrances in several cities, Flag Day wasn't officially recognized until Brother President Harry Truman signed it into law in 1949.

Bernard J. Cigrand, known to the general public as the "Father of Flag Day," worked as a school teacher at Stony Hill School in Waubeka, Wisconsin. He held the first unofficial observance for Flag Day at that school in 1885, and today a bust of Cigrand stands in Waubeka at the National Flag Day Americanism Center.

Cigrand delivered speeches around the country about patriotism and holding an observance for the flag on June 14. He later became the president of the American Flag Day Association and the National Flag Day Society. He continued to promote his cause with backing from those organizations. According to amateur historian James L. Brown who wrote the booklet, "The Real Bernard J. Cigrand: Father of Flag Day," Cigrand once claimed he had given 2,188 speeches on the flag and patriotism. The *Chicago Tribune* noted that Cigrand "almost single-handedly" established Flag Day.

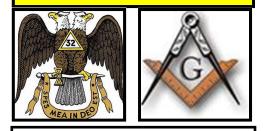
Although Cigrand is perhaps the most recognized candidate, several others have also claimed to be founders of Flag Day. In 1889 the principal of a free kindergarten, George Bolch, celebrated the anniversary of the Flag resolution at his New York City school. Soon the State Board of Education of New York, the Betsy Ross House in Philadelphia and the New York Society of the Sons of the Revolution celebrated Flag Day too.

In 1893 Elizabeth Duane Gillespie, a descendant of Benjamin Franklin and the president of the Colonial Dames of Pennsylvania, attempted to have a resolution passed deeming June 14 as Flag Day. That same year the Colonial Dames of Pennsylvania were responsible for a resolution passed requiring the American flag to be displayed on all Philadelphia's public buildings. In 1937 Pennsylvania was the first state to make Flag Day a legal holiday.

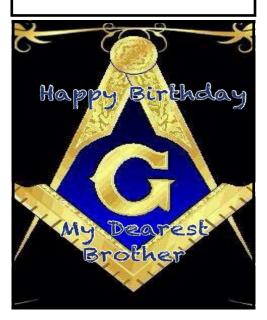
After much persistence and the support of many individuals, organizations, mayors, governors and five presidents, President Woodrow Wilson issued a proclamation requesting that June 14 become National Flag Day. In 1927 President Coolidge issued a second proclamation, and finally in 1949 Congress approved it and it became a law.

Soon after Flag Day became official, another law passed requiring the state superintendent of public schools to make sure patriotic holidays like Memorial Day, Flag Day, Lincoln's birthday and Washington's Birthday are observed in schools.

The week of June 11 is designated as "National Flag Week." During National Flag Week, the president usually issues a proclamation urging U.S. citizens to fly the American flag for the duration of that week. The flag should also be displayed on all Government buildings. Some organizations hold parades and events in celebration of our national flag and everything it represents. It's also a time to remember and honor military men and women who defend our flag and our country. The Members of the Valley of Everett extend to all the Brethren listed for the Month of June A Very Happy Birthdays



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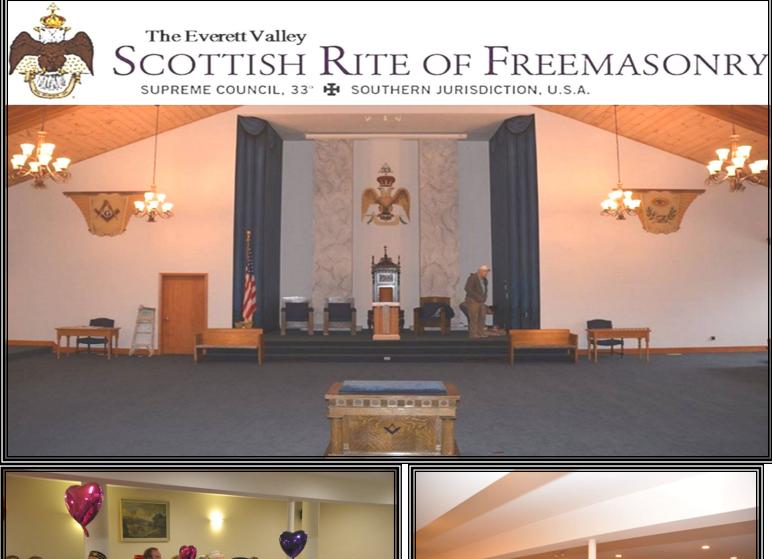


#### Scottish Rite Creed

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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\$5.00 per ticket for your chance to win

38 Quart Igloo Wheelie Cooler Loaded the Spirit -13 Bottles (750 Ml)

Bailey's Irish Crème Bombay Sapphire Gin Chivas Regal Scotch Whiskey Brugal Anejo Superior Rum Cointreau Crown Royal Canadian Whiskey Grey Goose Vodka Hennessey Very Special Cognac Hornito's 1800 Tequila Jack Daniel's Gentleman Jack Johnny Walker Black Label Michter's Kentucky Bourbon Tullamore Irish Whiskey



Ticket for the 38 Quart Igloo Wheelie Cooler Loaded with Spirits (13 Bottles - 750 ML Variety) Drawing will be available through the members of the Valley of Everett Scottish Rite at <u>\$5.00 each</u>.

The Valley of Everett Members will be selling tickets from now through October 16th, 2023. <u>Prize drawing will be held</u> <u>at the Valley of Everett Feast of Tishri on October 16th, 2023</u>.

Tickets are also available by Mail. Please forward your check for the numbers of tickets you are requesting to Terry Grove, General Secretary, 1427 100th Street SW, #47. Everett, Washington 98204

# YOUR LOCAL BLUE LODGE MONTHLY SCHEDULE

# DISTRICT TWO MASONIC HAPPENINGS June 2023

Date	Day	Time	Lodge	Event
June 06	Tuesday	6:00PM	Shoreline 248	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner
June 08	Thursday	6:30PM	Edmonds 165	Stated Meeting—6:30PM Dinner
June 13	Tuesday	6:00PM	Yancy C Blalock 265	Stated Meeting—6:00PM Dinner
June 15	Thursday	6:00PM	Ashler 121	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner
June 20	Tuesday	6:30PM	Mill Creek 243	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner

#### **DISTRICT EIGHT MASONIC HAPPENINGS**

June 2023				
Day	Time	Lodge	<u>Event</u>	
Saturday	8:00 AM	SLOC	Host: Everett 137 9:00 AM Meeting	
Tuesday	7:00PM	Sultan Monroe 160	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner	
Tuesday	7:00PM	Crystal 122	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner	
Wednesday	6:30 PM	Centennial 25	Stated Meeting- 6:00PM Dinner	
Monday	7:30PM	Everett 137	Stated Meeting—6:30PM Dinner	
Tuesday	6:00PM	Damascus 199	Stated Meeting—6:00PM Dinner	
Wednesday	6:30PM	Arlington 129	Stated Meeting—6:30 PM Dinner	
Wednesday	6:30 PM	Alpha 212	Stated Meeting—6:00PM Dinner	
Tuesday	7:00PM	Sultan Monroe 160	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner	
Tuesday	7:00PM	Crystal 122	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner	
Wednesday	6:30 PM	Centennial 25	Stated Meeting- 6:00PM Dinner	
Wednesday	7:30 PM	West Gate 128	Stated Meeting– 6:00PM Dinner	
Thursday	6:30PM	Peninsular 95	Stated Meeting—6:00PM Dinner	
Wednesday	6:30PM	Arlington 129	Stated Meeting—6:30 PM Dinner	
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<u>Date</u>	Day	Time	Lodge	<u>Event</u>	
June 01	Thursday	6:30 PM	<b>Burlington United 93</b>	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting	
June 06	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Mount Baker 36	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting	
June 07	Wednesday	6:30 PM	San Juan 175	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting	
June 08	Thursday	6:30 PM	Camano 19	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting	
June 13	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Fidalgo 77	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting	
June 20	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Whidby 15	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting	
June 22	Thursday	6:30 PM	Garfield 41	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting	
June 27	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

June 01, 2023	Thursday	7:30 PM	Alderwood #185 Order of Eastern Star
June 04, 2023	Sunday	1:00PM	Prince Hall—SR Consistory 118
June 07, 2023	Wednesday	7:30 PM	Amaranth - Welcome Court #58
June 08, 2023	Thursday	1:00 PM	Oddfellows—Pilgrim #187 - Stated Meeting/Zoom
June 10, 2023	Saturday	10:00 AM	Prince Hall - Evergreen #9
June 10, 2023	Saturday	1:00 PM	Prince Hall -Golden Gate 4-Order of Eastern Star
June 14, 2023	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Rainbow Assembly #9
June 15, 2023	Thursday	7:30 PM	Alderwood #185 -Order of Eastern Star
June 28, 2023	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Rainbow Assembly #9

## Notice to all Valley of Everett Members

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

Annual Yearly Dues for 2023	\$187 Per Year
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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

The Grand Lodge of Washington Monthly Messenger is currently available to all Masons at the following website <u>https://freemason-wa.org/grand-lodge</u> <u>-newsletter/</u>

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