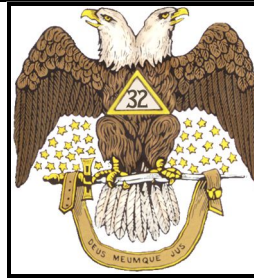


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**From The Personal Representative
Don Munks, 33°**



I hope that everyone is enjoying the summer break from Everett Valley Scottish Rite meetings and activities. Remember, this is a great time to enjoy your other Masonic meetings and events, especially your Blue Lodge. This fall we have a lot of interesting and educational meetings planned so please plan on attending. I also want to take time to reach out to our membership, that if there is Scottish Rite education or things of interest you want from this Valley, now is a great time to let me know. Do you want degree presentations that we presently do not do and/or educational material and presentations that are not being done? Attendance and participation is predicated on your interests, not just mine.

As we attend our Blue Lodges this summer please talk to your fellow brothers about Everett Valley Scottish Rite and what it offers to us in building our understanding of bettering ourselves and our lives. Masonry as a whole is about educating

us mentally to become better men, husbands, fathers, and community members. The education we have consumed in the 1st three (3) degrees of Masonry plus the 29 additional Scottish Rite degrees helps to lay the foundation to better understand how we can improve ourselves. As we attend these other Masonic meetings we need to invite brothers to become Scottish Rite members. Without new members we cannot grow and prosper as a fraternity.

I look forward to seeing everyone in September. Fellowship and comradery are as important to us as the education we receive. Having a great meal and a large turnout is not only fulfilling but very enjoyable.

Stay healthy and safe and enjoy your summer.

Fraternally, Don



The Enlightenment and Masonry Part 3

By Richard Llewellyn Jones, 32°, KCCH

There is little historical evidence to unequivocally prove the premise that speculative Freemasonry was created to provide men of learning, culture and prominence a forum in which they could meet and discuss radical new and “enlightened” ideas in the late 15th and early 16th Centuries. There is good reason for this dearth of evidence: the many threats from both the clergy and the crown militated against the creation of any written record that could leave the writer vulnerable to prosecution for heresy or treason.

However, the origins of speculative Freemasonry may be reflected in the biographies of the few early speculative Freemasons we are aware of. I am specifically referring to Sir Robert Moray (1608-1673) and Elias Ashmole (1617-1692).

Specifically, what about each of these men may have been drawn to speculative Freemasonry and how do they reflect the values of the Enlightenment, if at all?

Let us first start with Sir Robert Moray (a/k/a Murray and Murrey), who was born in 1608 or 1609. He was born in the Civil Parish of Craigie, South Ayrshire, Scotland, son of Sir Mungo Murray. Although much of his early life remains unchronicled, Sir Robert is well regarded as a Scottish soldier, diplomat judge, spy and natural philosopher.

There is speculation that he attended the University of St. Andrews, but there is no record of his attending the university. There is some evidence he attended college in France, but the record is enigmatic. Despite a clear formal educational record, this does not mean Sir Robert was an ignorant or illiterate man – he was not.

Sir Robert joined an elite Scottish military in the French Army in 1633 and is alleged to have been recruited to be a spy for French Cardinal Richelieu during this time. His military career was one filled with intrigue, in which Sir Robert moved flawlessly between the royal courts of England, Scotland, France and Germany and between Catholic and Protestant clergy, including Cardinal Richelieu and Cardinal Mazarin. Alt-

hough he was a Scottish patriot, he clearly lived above the machinations of the European royal courts and the religious partisanship of the day.

On May 20, 1641, Sir Robert was initiated into the Lodge of Edinburgh during the Scottish siege of Newcastle during the “Second Bishops War”. His initiation was the first recorded initiation in England. Sir Robert’s devotion to the Craft is marked by the fact that all extant letters we have that bear his signature include a five pointed star – his Masonic mark- until the end of his life.

Sir Robert’s greatest legacy is his involvement in the founding of the Royal Society in 1660, the successor of the “Invisible College” or “Republic of Letters” in which the great “enlightened” intellectuals across Europe sought to acquire and share knowledge through experimental investigation, as had been advanced by France Bacon (1561-1626) – generally known as the “Baconian method,” which we will consider in a subsequent article. It was Sir Robert who presided over the Society’s first meeting in November of 1660 and who was instrumental in obtaining its charter from King Charles II in July of 1662. He was instrumental in writing the Society’s bylaws and regulations, which have parallels to the constitutions of many of the lodges of speculative masons in terms of goals and values. He was the Society’s first president and was the main conduit between the Society and King Charles during the formative period of the organization.

Although Sir Robert held several positions in government after his retirement from the army, from 1658 until his death on July 4, 1673, Sir Robert focused his attention on chemical experiments (alchemy) and mathematics. He frequently enjoyed the company of many intellectual luminaries of the period, including Thomas Vaughan, Andrew Marvell, John Evelyn, Lord Brouncker and King Charles II, who enjoyed evenings with Sir Robert conducting experiments.

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Sir Robert clearly the sort of man of means and intellect who would find the Lodge a safe place to meet and discuss potentially heretical and treasonous ideas without the fear of reprisal. He clearly reflected the emerging values of the Enlightenment: a focus on acquiring knowledge through experimentation and the fellowship of all men who pursued such knowledge, regardless of race, religious preference, nationality or profession. In fact, we would likely

find his outlook on the world comfortably similar to our own today.

Thus, Sir Robert, spy, soldier, natural philosopher, would be the sort of man who would have found refuge in a lodge of speculative masons, where he could share the ideas of the day without concern for claims of treason or heresy.

But, Sir Robert is not alone. We will turn to Elias Ashmole (1617-1692), for whom we have considerably more documentary information.

Open Air Degrees at the Masonic Park 2023 By Mike Dulaney

Summertime is once again upon us. That means many Lodges are Dark. But that does not end the search for Light due to a lack of Masonic events to attend. Where can you find that Light over the summer with Brothers from around Western Washington? Simply put at the Masonic Family Park in Granite Falls this summer. There are two (2) events at the Masonic Family Park this summer and both will prove to be a great time to visit with Brothers from around the state.



Torchlight Fellow Craft Degree 9:00 PM, August 19th

Just 2 weeks later is the biennial Torchlight Fellowcraft Degree. This is a special evening when the Brothers from District 8 and 17 combine forces to present a very memorable Degree, that will start after sunset around 9 pm. This is a special event since there is no artificial light used. All the light for the Degree comes off torches placed around the outdoor lodge.

Master Mason Degree 10:00 AM Saturday, August 5th

On August 5th the Lodges of District 8 will be hosting the annual Open Air 3rd Degree. On the way to the Park, stop off at Damascus #199 for their annual pancake breakfast starting at 8 am. The Degree starts at 10am, so arrive with plenty of time to park and check in with the Tyler. After the Degree, Crystal Lodge #122 is bringing their awesome BBQ for lunch.

These are great opportunities to visit with Brothers and let them know what is happening at our Valley.

The cost for entry at the Masonic Park is \$7.50 and will be collected at the gate. So, break out your favorite lawn chair and come out to the Masonic Family Park and enjoy a summer day with your Brethren..



**THERE IS A MASTER MASON WAITING FOR YOU TO INVITE HIM
TO BECOME A VALLEY OF EVERETT SCOTTISH RITE MASON**



A printable copy of the Membership Petition for membership for the Valley of Everett Scottish Rite Class of 2023-2024 can be found on page 12 in the newsletter.

Committee on Americanism – 2023

By Lee Schuirman, 32°, KCCH, Americanism Committee Chairman

The Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Valley of Everett was honored to make JROTC awards presentations to six high schools this year. Approved by the Assistant Secretary of Defense, the award consists of a medal, ribbon and certificate. The medal depicts the heraldic logo of the Scottish rite of Freemasonry, and the words “JROTC Education and Americanism” calls attention to two of the major focal points of Scottish Rite.



This award recognizes two outstanding cadets in the second or second to last year of their commitment to a unit for demonstrating outstanding leadership, academic excellence and Americanism by participation in extra-curricular activities or community projects. This award is given to one female and one male cadet from each JROTC unit.

This year’s Scottish Rite awards went to the following cadets for their outstanding contributions;

Burlington-Edison High School NJROTC – April 28th
Cadet Alecia Barajas

Snohomish High School MCJROTC – May 18th
Cadet Isabelle Saunders

Marysville Pilchuck High School NJROTC – May 11th
C/Petty Officer Second Class Anna Blanchard
C/Petty Officer 1st Class Tye Eliason

Arlington High School AFJROTC - May 19th
Cadet SSgt Isabelle Kovarik
Cadet TSgt James Scott

Everett High School NJROTC – May 12th
Cadet Tristan Fababier
Cadet Isabella Saldana

Oak Harbor High School NJROTC – May 30th
Cadet Petty Officer 3rd Class Madison Thompson
Cadet Petty Officer 3rd Class Chanon Nielsen

It is always a privilege to see the excitement the Cadets display upon receiving this award. With this award, we gain a major benefit, with very little investment, by encouraging these young men and women to exhibit qualities of dependability, good character, self-discipline, good citizenship and patriotism; for in their hands our future resides.

Also this year we had the honor of presenting awards to cadets for the Leonard Martin POW/MIA award. This award was originated by the Evergreen POW/MIA Chapter and we are proud to see it continue. This award is presented at five high schools.

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Cadet Cody Carpenter

Marysville Pilchuck High School NJROTC – May 11th
C/Petty Officer Landon Swithenbank

Arlington High School AFJROTC - May 19th
Cadet Captain Rihanna Sahnou

Everett High School NJROTC – May 12th
C/CPO Leyla Mendoza-Garcia

Oak Harbor High School NJROTC – May 30th
Cadet Petty Officer 2nd Class Ronald Grabner

Americanism Committee Chairman
Lee Schuirman



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Ill. Jim Hamlin, 33°, Chancellor

Your Scottish Rite Creed and



Scottish Rite Creed

*Human progress is our cause,
liberty of thought our su-
preme wish, freedom of con-
science our mission,
and the guarantee of equal
rights to all people every-
where 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.



The Everett Valley
SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY
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From the Desk of the General Secretary

By Terry Grove, 33°

In September we will resume our meeting schedule on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month (barring holidays or inclement weather) and again begin the process of getting petitions from fellow Masons. Thereafter the presentation of the mandatory Degrees of Scottish Rite 4°-14°-18°-30° and 32° commencing in January 2024, which will conclude with the 32° in May. Our ultimate plan would be to perform 14 of the 29 degrees. Our limited number of degree members on our Teams restricts us from what we are striving to perform ritual than that of which we used to do.

Why is our ritual so important? What is its purpose?

One of the fundamental attributes of Scottish Rite that makes it what it is, is its ritual. It is the vehicle by which its teachings are expressed.

Ritual is defined as a prescribed order of performing a service or ceremony. To the Freemason it is the method by which we communicate the moral principals and sacred tenets of our Order to the hearts and minds of our Brethren. Perhaps the most important aspect of our ritual is the intellectual unification that it provides.

If ritual plays such a prominent role in our fraternity, then it is surely deserving of an exemplary presentation.

What are the qualities that make-up good ritual? Let's take a look at the origin of the word itself for the answer. In Sanskrit Ri meant flow, a flowing stream and therefore a regular recurrence of motion. From that word was derived Riti meaning usage, regular custom or procedure. The Latin word Ritus (anglicized to "ritual") signifies an approved usage or custom. The original meaning of the word may then be expanded to denote any formal observance that is carried out in a ceremonious manner with reverence, with care, and in accordance with established custom.

Scottish Rite ritual is an important link in the brotherhood process. It is the one experience that unites us with a common knowledge that no one else can legitimately receive. The support that a candidate feels from a well-performed degree at once unifies him with his Valley. Good ritual invokes a spirit of enthusiasm among Brethren and encourages devotion to the Scottish Rite. Along with a stimulating program of activities it promotes an interest in the Valley.

The value the Valley places on its candidates is demonstrated by the proficiency with which the ritual

is performed. We must deliver to the candidate the very best degree possible. He believes that he is joining a first-class organization and we must not disappoint him. The messages of the degrees are essential to the Masonic education of the candidate and the satisfied candidate will generally become a dedicated member.

Ritual that is proficiently done is fulfilling and develops pride. The satisfaction that the participants realize when their performance has been successfully completed is probably the greatest reward of all. And, for those who observe good ritual there is pride in the Valley. When there is pride among the members they want to be involved. Furthermore, the candidate is assured that he made a good decision when he joined us.

The essence of Scottish Rite ritual is to teach the philosophy by which we as Freemasons live. It has proven remarkably effective over many centuries and has served to unite us like no other Fraternity.

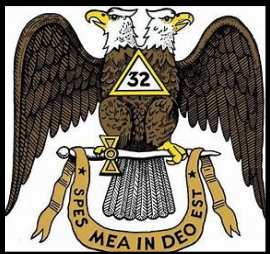
Well – you don't have to be a rocket scientist to determine – we are failing in our responsibility to give the brother(s) or candidates the education we promised. It is very simple – without the teachers – there is no one to convey or teach the student of what they are in search.

Back in 2005 – when I was part of a class of 20 – right here within the Valley of Everett – we got the information of which we were in search and entitled to by the local brothers. Where we are now failing is obvious. You/we are not showing up for the meetings and/or the degrees. At the time - VCR's were the solution – record your program and watch it at another time. Now we have DVR's to perform the same function. What is keeping you from attending lodge to meet with your brothers, and enjoy friendship, fellowship, fraternalism and just socialize with your brethren? How do you expect to get anything out of Scottish Rite, if you do not put anything into it?

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The Members of the
Valley of Everett
extend to all the Brethren
with Birthdays in the Month
of July/August a Very
Happy Birthday



Grand Lodge of Washington Annual Communication 2023

On June 9th through June 10th, 2023, the Grand Lodge of Washington held its Annual Communications at the Wenatchee Convention Center in Wenatchee, Washington. The Members of the Valley of Everett Scottish Rite are honored to take this time to congratulate MWB Edward Wood, PWGM and his team of officers on a very successful Grand Lodge of Washington Annual Communications.

The Valley of Everett would also like to take this time to congratulate the new Grand Lodge of Washington Grand Line for the year

2023-2024:

MWB Steve Martin
Grand Master

RWB Jimmy Norton
Deputy Grand Master

RWB Roger Nelson
Senior Grand Warden

RWB Chris Haynes
Junior Grand Warden

RWB Clinton Brown, Jr.
Grand Secretary

July Birthdays

Percy M Aga
Steve A Bernheim
Theodore Christensen
Paul D Coover
Andre J DeWald
Donald B Forbis
William C Harker Sr
Grant M Jay
John J Mathers
David A. McCuistion
James G Mills
Walt M Moody Jr
Joachim E Mueller
Howard C Schoen

August Birthdays

Duane L Bly
Carl E Brattain
Kyle J Chapman
Eugene J Dobson
George W Foster
Terry A Grove
Donald D Harris
Herbert L Hauglie
Donald G Munks
Max Premesler
Walter T Smith
Paul F Steinsiek
Joseph Towns, III
David J Trader



Independence Day!

Independence day is celebrated annually in the United States to recognize the signing of the Declaration of Independence. The document was meant to explain the reasons why the thirteen (13) British colonies of the Americas chose to separate from England. Some scholars believe the document was not signed until August 2nd, 1776. Although writings from [Benjamin Franklin](#), Thomas Jefferson and [John Hancock](#) all say they signed the Declaration on July 4th, 1776.

Independence day, in fact the American Revolution itself holds a special place for American Freemasons. We tend to hold up the fact [George Washington](#), Benjamin Franklin and various members of the Sons of Liberty were leaders in the Revolution. Although it is true nine (9) Freemasons (out of 56), signed the Declaration of Independence, including its most famous signer, John Hancock. It is not so much the men who made the impact on the Revolution. It is the principals of Freemasonry which helped to form the United States of America.

Some scholars point to the publication [Anderson's Constitutions](#) as a source for those ideals. Some of the ideals and codes of conduct which we find in Anderson's Constitutions later appear in the United States Constitution. A common example is the prohibition on Religion as a topic of conversation in a lodge room where business is discussed. It is seen as a source of division within the lodge. Similarly, it can be equally said, Religion in Government causes the same division in our ruling bodies, not allowing Government to properly govern for all of its people.

For the Declaration of Independence and the events which lead to it, those who know the

lessons our ritual inculcates, it is obvious to see where the men who helped form the early United States believed in those principals, mason or not. As an example, Freemason's believe we all meet upon the level, the Declaration of Independence states "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal".

In the end Washington, Franklin, Hancock and the list of other notable and not so notable members of the American Revolution who were Freemasons, put themselves in harms way for their belief in a better future. It becomes less about those men and more about the ideals and principals, many of which are put forth by Freemasonry in the United States and around the World. Those same ideals are stated in our ritual over and over again, not to make them common place, but to remind us of the importance of those words which inspired revolutions, in the United States and beyond.

As we celebrate the birth of the United States we should remember it was those Freemasons involved in the Revolution who had the courage to risk their lives for an ideal. It was in a Freemason lodge where they heard those ideals put forth and where they were reminded of them to the point they became a part of their lives. A gift which is now ours to cherish and pass on in our Freemason Lodges and in our communities.

To my American brethren Happy Fourth of July! May it be safe and filled with family and friends!

To my brethren around the world, may the ideals of Justice, Freedom and Equality be ever present in your lodges and communities.

The History of Freemasons For the Month of July/August

July 12—In 1864, Brother Frank Baldwin, then a Captain, CoD in the 19th Michigan Infantry captured two Confederate Officers and their regimental guidon. His act of bravery won him his first Medal of Honor. His second would be earned in 1874. Brother Baldwin was a member of Siloam Lodge No. 35 in Constantine, Michigan

July 17 - In 1945, US President Harry S Truman, Soviet leader Josef Stalin and British Prime Minister Bro. Winston Churchill began meeting at Potsdam in the final Allied summit of World War II. The purpose of the meeting was to send a clear message to Japan demanding unconditional surrender or for Japan to "lay herself open to complete and utter destruction."

July 18 - In 1947 Bro. Harry S. Truman, then President of the United States, signed an Executive Order determining the line of succession should the president be temporarily incapacitated or die in office. The speaker of the House and president pro tem of the Senate are next in succession after the Vice president. This line of succession became the 25th Amendment to the Constitution ratified on February 10, 1967.

July 20—In 1944, President and Bro. Franklin Delano Roosevelt was nominated for an unprecedented fourth term at the Democratic convention. He was a member of New York's Holland Lodge No. 8. Nominated to be his running mate as Vice President was the feisty Bro. Harry S Truman, former Grand Master of Masons in Missouri Bro. Roosevelt was to run against - and beat - former New York Governor Bro. Thomas E. Dewey, a member of New York City's Karie Lodge No. 454.

July 21 - In 1796, at the early age of 37, Bro. Robert Burns, the national poet of Scotland and one of the foremost poets of the world, died. . He was born January 25, 1759 at Alloway, near Ayr , and died at Dumfries. Bro. Burns was an enthusiastic Mason from the day he was initiated into St. David's Lodge No. 174 at Tarbolton, July 4, 1781. He took membership in several other Lodges including Canongate-kilwinning No. 2 at Edinburgh where he was made Poet Laureate in 1787. One of his most famous poems, "Auld Lang Syne" has become a worldwide "must" for those celebrating the incoming New Year. Many of his poems are specifically Masonic

August 1 - In 1779 American attorney, social worker, poet and author of The National Anthem, Bro. Francis Scott Key was shipboard off Baltimore during the British bombardment of Fort McHenry on the night of September `13 and the morning of 14th, 1814, Thrilled to see the American flag still flying over the fort at daybreak, Bro. Key wrote the poem, The Star Spangled Banner. Born at Frederick County, MD, he died at Baltimore, MD, on January 11, 1843.

August 14 - In 1826 William Morgan obtained his copyright for his "Illustrations of Masonry, By One of the Fraternity Who Has Devoted Thirty Years to the Subject". Although the publication led to his disappearance, it was hardly the first of its kind. Morgan's disappearance led to the anti-Masonic times, which nearly caused Freemasonry to become extinct.

August 18—Two (2) Georgia EA's were passed to the Fellowcraft degree in Union Lodge No. 38's annual Cave Degree. In attendance were 350 Masons from 14 states as well as Canada. On the same date in 1984, a MM Degree was performed at the same location. 260 Masons from 9 states attended. On the same date in 1990 a MM Degree was again conferred. In attendance were 268 Masons from 21 states as well as Mexico and Germany. On the same date in 2001 a MM Degree was again conferred with 192 masons attending from 13 states.

August 21 – In 1993 the "Friend to Friend Monument" was dedicated in the cemetery at Gettysburg, PA, by the Grand Lodge of Pa. This monument commemorates friendship between masons on opposite sides of the American

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

July /August 2023

<i>Date</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>Event</i>
July 20	Thursday	6:0PM	Ashler 121	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner
Aug 17	Thursday	6:0PM	Ashler 121	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner

DISTRICT EIGHT MASONIC HAPPENINGS

July /August 2023

<i>Date</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>Event</i>
Jul 04	Tuesday	3:30PM	Arlington 129	Fourth of July Parade
Jul 15	Saturday	12:00 PM	Karl E. Warren 259	Stated Meeting— 12:00 PM Lunch
Jul 18	Tuesday	6:00PM	Sultan Monroe 160	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner
Jul 19	Wednesday	6:30 PM	West Gate 128	Stated Meeting—6:30 PM Dinner
Jul 26	Wednesday	6:30PM	Alpha 212	Stated Meeting—6:30 PM Dinner
Aug 02	Wednesday	6:30 PM	West Gate 128	Stated Meeting—6:30 PM Dinner
Aug 05	Saturday	8:00AM	SLOC	Damascus Lodge 199 Host
	Saturday	10:00AM	Masonic Park	Open Air Degree (Master Masons Only)
Aug 15	Tuesday	6:00PM	Sultan Monroe 160	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner
Aug 16	Wednesday	6:30 PM	West Gate 128	Stated Meeting—6:30 PM Dinner
Aug 19	Saturday	9:00 PM	District 8 and 17	Torchlight Degree—Masonic Family Park
Aug 23	Wednesday	6:30PM	Alpha 212	Stated Meeting—6:30 PM Dinner

DISTRICT NINE MASONIC HAPPENINGS

July /August 2023

<i>Date</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>Event</i>
Jul 04	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Mount Baker 36	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Jul 05	Wednesday	6:30 PM	San Juan #175	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Jul 11	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Fidalgo 77	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Jul 13	Thursday	7:30 PM	Garfield 41	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Jul 18	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Langley 218	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Jul 26	Wednesday	7:30 PM	District 9	LAO Fidalgo Host Reg. Meeting
Aug 01	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Mount Baker 36	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Aug 02	Wednesday	6:30 PM	San Juan #175	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Aug 08	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Fidalgo 77	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Aug 15	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Langley 218	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Aug 23	Wednesday	7:30 PM	District 9	LAO Fidalgo Host Reg. Meeting
Aug 24	Thursday	7:30 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.



Application for Membership in the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry

Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America
Valley of Everett, Orient of Washington
2431 Rucker Avenue, Everett, WA. 98201
Telephone (425)610-4561

Petition Fees for the Class of 2023 -2024 is \$300.00

I respectfully make this application to the Everett Valley of Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, promising always to bear true faith and allegiance to the Supreme Council of the 33°.

This Application is for Plural Membership and I hold membership in _____

List Valley and give location. Note: A certificate of Good Standing is required

I wish to transfer my membership from _____ to the Valley of Everett.

List Valley and give location Note. A certificate of Good Standing is required

To the officers and members of:

Everett Lodge of Perfection;
Everett Council of Kadosh;

Everett Chapter of Rose Croix;
Everett Consistory;

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify the following to be true and correct:

My full name is _____
First Middle Last

My date of birth is _____ I was born in _____ City _____ St

My mailing address is: _____

I have resided there for _____ Years. My telephone Number is: _____

My cell phone number is: _____ My e-mail address is _____

Wife's name: _____ My occupation is: _____

I am employed by: _____
If retired, state previous occupation and enter "Retired"

I am a Master Mason of good standing of: _____ Lodge No. _____

Located at: _____ Under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge Of: _____

I was raised a Master Mason on _____
Date received third degree

Please attach a copy of your current Blue Lodge Dues Card.

The Supreme Council requires acceptance of the following fundamental principles: *The inculcation of Patriotism, Respect for Law and Order, Undying Loyalty to the Principles of Civil and Religious Liberty.* Do you promise to uphold these principles? Yes / No

Date Signed: _____

Ring Size _____ Hat Size _____

Applicant's Signature

Recommended by:

1st line signer Print

Print name legibly

2nd line signer

Print name legibly

The petition fees for the degrees of the Scottish Rite Masonry (4th through the 32nd) include the following: a copy of the book "Bridge to Light;" your 14th degree ring; your 32nd degree Cap; the 32nd Degree Patent; and your Valley dues and per capita for the current year ending December 31st. Payment must be made prior to receiving any of the Scottish Rite Degrees. There is no charge for affiliation. Make checks payable to and mail along with this application to Everett Valley Scottish Rite, 2431 Rucker Avenue, Everett, WA. 98201

VALLEY OF EVERETT ***COMING EVENTS***

Feast of Tishri

Monday, October 16th, 2023
6:30 PM Punch Bowl Social 7:00 PM Dinner
At the
Everett Scottish Rite Temple
2431 Rucker Ave
Everett, Washington

Fare \$25.00 Per Person

Scottish Rite Members, Ladies and Guest
Are cordially invited to attend

RSVP Required to Terry Grove at 425-610-4561
Or email him at Terrygrove50@yahoo.com

Deadline for RSVP—October 12, 2023

Valley of Everett – Orient of Washington

July 2023 through October 2023 Calendar of Events

July 2023

07-24-22 Monday Combined Board of Trustee's and ExCom meeting- Zoom at 6:00 PM

August 2023 (Dark)

September 2023

09-18-23 Monday - Lodge of Perfection—Stated Meeting— 6:30 PM buffet/7:30 PM Meeting
09-25-23 Monday Combined Board of Trustee's and ExCom meeting- Zoom at 6:00 PM

October 2023

10-02-23 Monday - Lodge of Perfection—Stated Meeting— 6:30 PM Buffet/7:30 PM Meeting
10-16-23 Monday - Feast of Tishri - 6:30 PM Punch Bowl/7:00 PM Buffer Dinner
10-23-23 Monday - Combined Board of Trustee's and ExCom meeting- Zoom at 6:00 PM

VALLEY OF EVERETT SCOTTISH RITE TEMPLE MONTHLY RENTAL SCHEDULE

July 06, 2023	Thursday	7:30 PM	Alderwood #185 Order of Eastern Star
July 02, 2023	Sunday	1:00PM	Prince Hall—SR Consistory 118
July 05, 2023	Wednesday	7:30 PM	Amaranth - Welcome Court #58
July 08, 2023	Saturday	10:00 AM	Prince Hall - Evergreen #9
July 08, 2023	Saturday	1:00 PM	Prince Hall -Golden Gate 4-Order of Eastern Star
July 12, 2023	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Rainbow Assembly #9
July 20, 2023	Thursday	7:30 PM	Alderwood #185 -Order of Eastern Star
July 26, 2023	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Rainbow Assembly #9
July 29, 2023	Saturday	2:00 PM	Rainbow Assembly #9 Installation of Officers

Notice to all Valley of Everett Members

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

<i>Annual Yearly Dues for 2023.....</i>	<i>\$187 for the Year</i>
<i>Life Membership Fees over 75 year Old</i>	<i>\$500</i>
<i>Life Membership Fees under 75 years old.....</i>	<i>\$750</i>

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SCOTTISH RITE WEB SITES

Everett Valley-Scottish Rite
Orient of Washington
everettvalleysr.org
scottishritewa.org



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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