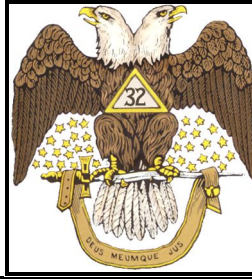


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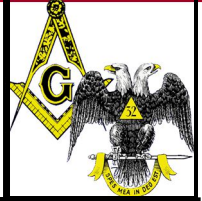
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# THE RITE BULLETIN



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



I hope that everyone had a fun and exciting summer. Our fall starts on September 19, 2022 with a buffet dinner at 6:30pm and stated meeting at 7:30pm. We need to be talking in our Blue Lodges about our experiences in Scottish Rite Masonry and how important it was for us in continuing our Masonic education. We need good candidates for the degrees this coming year, which starts on January 2, 2023 with the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree.

We need to be reaching out to our older members and asking them if they need help or maybe just a ride to our meetings and events. This fall will be important to attend as we will have lots of Masonic education and important elections. I know it's early but we also need ideas on how we can have a fun and well attended Christmas party in December.

If you have not attended a Temple Board/ Executive meeting on Zoom please check out what we are doing and planning for our Everett Valley Scottish Rite. It is important to have as many opinions as possible in planning and solving issues.

Please be aware of the east end of the underground parking area as there have been changes since we last met. There is a walk in refrigerator for our vendors and 2 new storage compartments for vendors or any Body needing dry storage. A big thank you to those that volunteered to build these storage compartments, John Mathers, Ken Thompson, Terry Grove and others. It was important to have these storage compartments so our vendors could complete their Snohomish County Health Certifications.

Look forward to seeing everyone in September. Stay safe and healthy.  
Fraternally, Don

## Masonic Quotes

The true Mason is ever vigilant for subtle traces of character and personality flaws which daily experience brings out.

**Bro. William Howards Taft**

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## 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**  
SUPREME COUNCIL, 33° ☩ SOUTHERN JURISDICTION, U.S.A.



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Reserve one of our rental rooms now, and celebrate any occasion! Our conference room, lobby, dining room and auditorium are available for your event. **Contact Terry Grove @ 425-610-4561** today to find out which space will best fit your needs.

# From the Desk of the General Secretary

By Terry Grove, 33°

This month, as approved by the Lodge of Perfection, you will be receiving your 2023 \$187 annual dues notification from Supreme Council. Your 2023 Annual Dues are required to be paid no later than the 31st of December 2022.

Annual dues: 2021 \$100 – 2022 \$150 – 2023 \$187- 2024 \$187

As of July 31, 2022 our records indicate we still have ten (10) members due for 2022 \$337 and four (4) still due for 2021 (\$100) and 2022 (\$150) \$437. *{plus their 2023 assessment}*. In all likelihood - these four will be suspended for non-payment of dues before year end.

Just in case you were not aware - the Orient of Washington (Rite Care \$2 plus \$3 for Scholarship Fund) and Supreme Council (\$30) assesses us a per capita of approximately \$35 per member per year.

That means - if someone does not remit their dues timely - that we/The Valley must cover the cost. The Valley now has 186 regular dues paying members, of these – we show 74 Endowed Life Members and 15 50-Year members. Presently - if you are under the age of 75, the Valley can offer you a life membership for \$750. If you are over the age of 75 - the cost would be \$500. We expect that in the near future cost (2025) we may need to increase our dues structure to around \$900 and \$600 respectively *(to be reviewed at Executive Council Meeting and voted on by the membership at a future scheduled Lodge of Perfection meeting)*

Should you have any questions in this regard - please feel free to contact me at either 425-610- 4561 or e-mail me at [terrygrove50@yahoo.com](mailto:terrygrove50@yahoo.com)

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



Matthew J Appel  
David E Augustson  
Stanley G Ball  
Brian L Bork  
Steven H Dorsey  
Larry D Foley  
Danny Graham III  
Rolando Herrera  
Gerald F James  
Darin Jones  
George A Lofthus  
Allen W Lowe  
Stephen M Osborn  
Franklin W Valliant

**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 2022-2023 can be found on the next page in the newsletter.*



# The History of Freemasons For the Month of September

**September 5**—In 1874 was born Bro. Harry (Erich Weiss) Houdini, world famous American conjurer and escape artist. His stage performances were legendary, and his books on conjuring were widely acclaimed. He was made a Mason in 1923, in St. Cecile Lodge No. 568, New York City. Master magician, debunker of charlatans Born in Budapest, Hungary, Erich Weiss idolized the French magician Jean Houdin. Altering Houdin's name slightly, Weiss adopted the name Harry Houdini. Bro. Houdini's childhood was spent in relative poverty, and he began to perform professionally at the age of nine on the trapeze. Later he worked as an apprentice locksmith, and was given the task of opening a handcuff, which set him on the path to becoming the world's most famous escape artist. Perfecting methods of escape from handcuffs, chains, straightjackets, and packing cases, Bro. Houdini entertained millions. He also dedicated himself to debunking false "spiritualists" by exposing their deceptive methods. In an attempt to prove once and for all whether or not there is life beyond the grave, he gave his wife a 10-word code before he died. While a number of mediums purported to have been in contact with Houdini after his death, none were able to provide his wife with the pre-arranged secret message.

**September 6**—In 1909, American explorer Bro. Robert Peary sent word that he had reached the North Pole on April 6, five months earlier. The final, successful expedition was the fifth of a series he had undertaken Bro. Peary was a member of the New York City explorer's lodge, Kane No. 454. This Lodge was given the Masonic flag which Bro. Peary had displayed at Independence Bay, Greenland, on May 20 and 25, 1895. This Lodge, on March 30, 1920, presented his widow with a special medal in honor of her distinguished husband. Bro. Peary's gift to New York Grand Lodge were two specimens of the great meteorite weighing 90 tons which he had discovered in North Greenland. Bro. Peary died February 20, 1920.

**September 9**—In 1926, Bro. David Sarnoff incorporated the National Broadcasting Company as a subsidiary of the Radio Corporation of America, and the first radio chain in the United States. Bro. Sarnoff, a Russian immigrant, started work at RCA as an office boy, By the time he became President of NBC he was responsible for the \$83-million in radio set sales by RCA from 1921 to 1924. What finally convinced RCA directors of radio's future was his blow-by-blow coverage of the fight between Bro. Jack Dempsey and Carpentier in 1921. Bro. Sarnoff became a Mason in the Lodge of Strict Observance No. 94 in New York City on June 14, 1921. In June 1955, he received the coveted award for distinguished achievement from the New York Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons.

**September 17**—In 1787, 39 delegates (many of them Masons) representing 12 of the 13 states, signed the stirring revolutionary document called the US Constitution. Bro. George Washington, who had presided over the convention, afterwards invited the delegates to a farewell supper at the City (Fraunces) Tavern before taking cordial leave of one another. And so was born the document designed "to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defense promote the general Welfare, and secure the blessings of Liberty for ourselves and for our Posterity." Delegations from 12 states (Rhode Island did not send a delegation) at the Constitutional Convention at Philadelphia, PA, voted unanimously to approve the proposed document. Thirty-nine of the 42 delegates present signed it and the convention adjourned after drafting a letter of transmittal to Congress. The proposed constitution stipulated that it would take effect when ratified by nine states. The period between September 17-23 is celebrated as Constitution Week by Presidential Proclamation issued every year since August 2, 1956. Thirty nine men signed the Constitution of which 13 (or 33 percent) were Freemasons. The Masons who signed were: - Bro. Gunning Bedford, Jr., First Grand Master of Delaware; - Bro. John Blair, First Grand Master of Virginia; - Bro. David Brearley, First Grand Master of New Jersey; - Bro. Jacob Broom, an Officer in his Delaware Lodge; - Bro. Daniel Carroll, of Maryland, a Mason who took part in the Masonic cornerstone laying of the US Capitol with Bro. George Washington; - Bro. Jonathan Dayton, a Member of Temple Lodge 1 in Elizabethtown, NJ; - Bro. John Dickinson, a member of a Lodge in Dover, Delaware; - Bro. Benjamin Franklin, Grand Master of Pennsylvania; - Bro. Nicholas Gilman, Member St. John's Lodge 1, Portsmouth, NH; - Bro. Rufus King, Member, St. John's Lodge, Newburyport, MA; - Bro. James McHenry, Member, Spiritual Lodge 23, Maryland; - Bro. William Patterson, Member, Trenton Lodge, New Jersey; - Bro. George Washington, Member, Lodge at Fredericksburg, VA.

**September 18** - In 1793 Brother George Washington laid the cornerstone to the U.S. Capital in Masonic style. The silver trowel he used is today housed in a replica lodge room in the George Washington Masonic Memorial at Alexandria, Virginia.

# Freemasonry & the Labor Movement in America

The first Monday in September marks the end of Summer and all across the USA, Americans celebrate Labor Day with picnics, parades, and backyard barbecues.

While the first recorded mention of Labor Day was in September of 1882 at a celebration in New York City, it was President Grover Cleveland who signed a decree in 1894 marking the first weekend in September as a national recognition of an official Labor Day as a national holiday.

More than 60 years before President Cleveland signed his new law, a devout Baptist family was celebrating the birth of their baby boy in Cape May, New Jersey. Born on August 3, 1821, Uriah Smith Stephens was a smart and religious-minded boy and studied to become a minister. However, his family was poor and young Stephens had to set aside his dreams and take a job as a tailor to help the family recover from a financial crisis. When he was 25, Uriah Stephens settled for a time in Philadelphia but he was filled with wanderlust. He traveled to Central America, Mexico, and California and then to Europe – working his way around the world for five years.

In 1858, Stephens settled down in Philadelphia again working as a tailor. An avid reader and life-long learner, he studied economics, politics, history and taught himself several foreign languages. Stephens also became a Master Mason of Kensington Lodge No. 211 in Philadelphia on March 24, 1865.

Prior to the end of the Civil War, the establishment of trade unions had not found much success. While Stephens had helped to organize the Garment Worker's Union in 1862, it was not until after his personal experiences as a member of Freemasonry that he was inspired to found a new fraternal organization for tradesmen which he called the Knights of Labor.

Speaking to fellow union-minded garment workers in a meeting at his home on Thanksgiving Day in 1869, Stephens presented his concept for a new organization which he proclaimed as the "Noble and Holy Order of Knights of Labor."

This new "brotherhood" would bring together not only fellow tailors but would open membership in Stephens' own words to, "Every laborer, mechanic, and artisan who desired professional improvement, regardless of country, creed, or color." Certainly Uriah Stephens mission was an American-inspired concept of unification that might have found favor with our nation's Founding Fathers!

Uriah Stephens vision for the Knights of Labor was certainly inspired by the ritual and lessons he himself had learned as a Mason in his Philadelphia Lodge. Stephens plan for the Knights of Labor included his being installed as the first "Master Workman" as well as

naming himself as the "District Master Workman" and the first "Grand Master Workman" of the new Knights of Labor.

In creating and founding the Knights of Labor, Stephens freely adapted many of the symbols of Freemasonry and also some of the Masonic ritual into his new organization. The building in which members would assemble was called a "lodge". Members referred to each other as "brothers". Stephens dreamed of a new fraternal network of skilled laborers who would work together as fraternal brothers for the good of their fellow members. Members wishing to join would go through a ritual ceremony led by "Masters" wearing aprons and giving "lectures" on the nobility of labor. Secret signs and symbols were given to initiates as they were sworn to secrecy and loyalty to the brotherhood of the Knights of Labor. Within a decade, the Knights of Labor had expanded from one "assembly" or chapter to 1300 local assemblies. The organization was quickly growing into a large and powerful labor movement.

However, as the organization grew and, perhaps, as Stephens was losing some control over the brotherhood he had conceived and founded, there were polarizing issues causing cracks in the fellowship.

Stephens was frustrated with the growing disenchantment rising from some members of the Knights of Labor who wanted to abolish the secret ritual which Stephens had created. Stephens also was fearful that the new membership was also becoming too aggressive in calling for frequent strikes and union demands.

Seeking to re-establish himself as a labor leader, Uriah Stephens launched a political campaign and stood for election to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1878. As a defeated candidate for the "Greenback-Labor Party", Stephens' star as a labor leader was now tarnished. A year later, he resigned from the Knights of Labor.

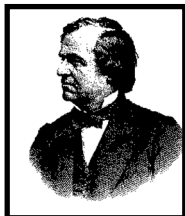
Under new leadership, the Knights of Labor grew in power and influence in America as well as worldwide. Membership was opened to what was described as all members of the "producing class" – factory workers, small business owners, and farmers. Those not entitled to membership included lawyers, speculators or anyone involved in "sinful" business enterprises including the liquor industry and gambling. The Knights of Labor membership dwindled in the early 20th century.

So, what became of the first "Grand Master Workman"? Uriah Stephens' reputation with many in the Knights of Labor was still held in high esteem but Stephens at age of 61 was working to create a new fraternal labor-centric organization. It was at his home in Philadelphia on February 13, 1882 that Uriah Stephens passed away and went to meet his maker, as he described as the "Grand Architect of the Universe"

# Faith In The People: Andrew Johnson, 32<sup>o</sup>, President And Mason

By Bobby J. Demott, 33, Knoxville, Tennessee

Tennessee was "in the middle" during the Civil War and, except for Virginia, suffered more than any other state during the period of reconstruction. Geographically, the North met the South in Tennessee; politically East Tennessee was pro-Union; West Tennessee, pro-Confederate; Middle Tennessee was where the two factions met. These feelings have lingered long. Andrew Johnson (*pictured*), a Democrat from Greeneville, in East Tennessee, served two terms as Governor and over four years as a United States Senator. After Federal Forces occupied a portion of Tennessee, President Abraham Lincoln, on March 4, 1862, appointed Johnson as the state's Military Governor. Actions which he took in this capacity caused much bitterness toward him in Middle and West Tennessee, especially among members of the Democratic Party.



Three Tennesseans, all Masons, have served as President of the United States, and one Tennessee Mason, Samuel Houston, was the first elected President of the Republic of Texas. A statue of Andrew Jackson was erected on the Tennessee capitol grounds in 1880, and James K. Polk is buried there. No public building in Nashville has been named in honor of Andrew Johnson, and no monument to his memory had been erected there until, on October 18, 1995, a statue, a duplicate of the one in Greeneville, was dedicated in Nashville by Governor Don Sundquist.

At the age of 17, Andrew Johnson met Eliza McCardle, age 15, who taught him how to write. A year later they were married. Mrs. Johnson was an invalid when her husband became President. Johnson, an indentured apprentice tailor, never had the good fortune to experience even one day of formal schooling, but as Governor of Tennessee, he was instrumental in gaining the passage of a bill which, for the first time, levied a tax for the support of public schools in Tennessee. He was a strong follower of the philosophy of Andrew Jackson and believed that government should interfere in people's lives as little as possible. As Senator, he sought to keep Tennessee in the Union, and refusing to resign his Senate Seat, he was the only Southern Senator to remain loyal to the United States.

Johnson served about six weeks as Vice President under Lincoln, then succeeded to the Presidency on April 15, 1865. Trying to carry out Lincoln's designs for reconstruction and reconciliation, Johnson encountered immediate opposition with the Radical Republicans in Congress. He wanted to grant amnesty to Southerners and let them organize their own state governments.

However, Congress did not agree, and Johnson broke with the Republican party. Congress then proceeded to establish its own form of government in the South, giving rise to the hated "Carpetbaggers." On May 29, 1865 Congress granted general amnesty to many former Confederate soldiers, but, apparently because of some Anti-Masonic feeling, Albert Pike was excluded. However, Johnson, on August 30, 1865, Having angered the Democrats as well as the Republicans, Andrew Johnson's power in Washington was broken. Impeachment proceedings against him were held from March 13 to May 26, 1868, but the Senate failed, by one vote, to convict him. When he took his seat as a Senator in March 1875, there were fourteen Senators there who had taken part in the impeachment proceedings, twelve of whom had voted "guilty."

Brother Johnson was the first non-lawyer, non-military person to serve as President. He became known as the "Defender of the Constitution" and often made the remark: "When I die, I desire no better winding sheet than the Stars and Stripes, and no softer pillow than the Constitution of my country." Johnson's faithfulness to the Constitution, in a time when such devotion was unpopular, is in keeping with the highest ideals of public service and Freemasonry. His many accomplishments, such as the purchase of Alaska, were overshadowed by the impeachment proceedings.



Johnson was a member of Greeneville Lodge No. 119, in Greeneville, Tennessee, and on June 20, 1867, while President of the United States, the Scottish Rite Degrees were communicated to him in the Executive Mansion by Azariah T. C. Pierson, 33, S.G.I.G. of Minnesota and Grand Prior of The Supreme Council, and Benjamin Brown French, 33, of Washington, DC, who was a Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar of the United States, and Lieutenant Grand Commander of the Scottish Rite for the Southern Jurisdiction.

He granted amnesty to Pike, who was, at that time, living in Canada.

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*"When I die, I desire no better winding sheet than the Stars and Stripes, and no softer pillow than the Constitution of my country."*

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Ill. French reported the event to The Supreme Council as follows: "We met the president in the room known as the Library, where he invited us to partake of a lunch. We then accompanied him to his sleeping room, where we conferred the Degrees. Illustrious Brother Johnson expressed himself much gratified and said that the doctrines inculcated were such as he had been preaching and practicing all his life." Brother Johnson was the first President to receive the Scottish Rite Degrees.

An active Mason throughout his life, Bro. Johnson remained a member of Greeneville Lodge No. 119 until his death, and he frequently participated in Masonic functions and ceremonies such as cornerstone layings, for example, at the monument of Steven A. Douglas in Chicago on September 6, 1866. As William R. Denslow points out in 10,000 Famous Freemasons (vol. II, p. 299), "his close association with Freemasonry was one of the factors that led to his impeachment trial. Thaddeus Stevens, the anti-Mason, was a ringleader in the impeachment proceedings against Johnson in 1868."



Brother Andrew Johnson died on July 31, 1875, in East Tennessee. In view of the many attacks upon him from the pulpit, Johnson had requested that no clergy have a part in his funeral, a request that was honored by his family. As he had directed, his body was wrapped in the American flag, which at that time had 37 stars. The first copy of the Constitution which he owned was his pillow. Special trains came to Greeneville carrying people who wished to pay their last respects to the man who had endured more than any other man in history for the sake of the Constitution. The Knights Templar transported the body under an arch of steel to a grave near Greeneville where Brother U. A. Rouser, a mechanic from Knoxville, served as leader of the Masonic burial service.



Two years later a monument was erected by his children embossed with these words: "His faith in the people never wavered."

Submitted by

Brother David McCuiston 32°, KCCH  
Valley of Everett; PM Garfield 41



## The New Master Craftsman Program

By John Mathers 32° KCCH

Brethren,

The Scottish Rite Master Craftsman Program is making big changes. The system is changing to a digital Format. Offering three (3) distinct courses, History and Ritual, Symbolic Lodge and Why 33. These classes will be offered to all Master Masons through the Master Craftsman College. Org. Check it out. The Why33 is for new Master Masons and only cost \$5.00. They are making it available on Kindle for a significant cost saving on the course Text Books through Amazon. All the Tests are digital but you still have question and answer work sheets to help you understand the curriculum.

The course on Philosophy is also undergoing changes to a digital format.

Those of you who are studying the courses may ask to change over to the digital Format at no extra cost.

If you need additional Information: Please give me a call at 425 788 3772.

Fraternally

[John Mathers 32° KCCH](#)

**Attention all Scottish Rite Tenants. Since we Are all coming back from our Summer breaks, be sure, prior to going home to make sure that all the doors have been checked, secured and that all lights are turned off (with the exception of outside security lighting and SW light in the lobby).**



# YOUR LOCAL BLUE LODGE MONTHLY SCHEDULE

## DISTRICT TWO MASONIC HAPPENINGS

### September 2022

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

## DISTRICT EIGHT MASONIC HAPPENINGS

### September 2022

<i>Date</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>Event</i>
Sep 06	Tuesday	7:00PM	Sultan Monroe 160	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner
	Tuesday	7:00PM	Crystal 122	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner
Sep 07	Wednesday	6:30 PM	Centennial 25	Stated Meeting- 6:00PM Dinner
Sep 08	Thursday	6:30PM	Peninsular 95	Stated Meeting—6:00PM Dinner
Sep 10	Saturday	8:00 AM	SLOC	Host Karl E. Warren 259
Sep 12	Monday	7:30PM	Everett 137	Stated Meeting—6:30PM Dinner
Sep 13	Tuesday	6:00PM	Damascus 199	Stated Meeting—6:00PM Dinner
Sep 14	Wednesday	6:30PM	Arlington 129	Stated Meeting—6:30 PM Dinner
	Wednesday	6:30 PM	Alpha 212	Stated Meeting—6:00PM Dinner
Sep 17	Saturday	12:00PM	Karl E. Warren 259	Stated Meeting – 12:00 Noon Lunch
Sep 21	Wednesday	6:30 PM	Centennial 25	Stated Meeting- 6:00PM Dinner
	Wednesday	7:30 PM	West Gate 128	Stated Meeting- 6:00PM Dinner
Sep 20	Tuesday	7:00PM	Sultan Monroe 160	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner
	Tuesday	7:00PM	Crystal 122	Stated Meeting—6:00 PM Dinner
Sep 22	Thursday	6:30PM	Peninsular 95	Special—6:00PM Dinner
Sep 27	Tuesday	6:00 PM	Damascus 199	Stated Meeting—6:00PM Dinner
Sep 28	Wednesday	6:30PM	Arlington 129	Stated Meeting—6:30 PM Dinner

## DISTRICT NINE MASONIC HAPPENINGS

### September 2022

<i>Date</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>Event</i>
Sep 01	Thursday	6:30 PM	Burlington United 93	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Sep 06	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Mount Baker 36	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Sep 07	Wednesday	6:30 PM	San Juan 175	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Sep 08	Thursday	6:30 PM	Camano 19	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Sep 13	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Fidalgo 77	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Sep 15	Thursday	6:30 PM	Garfield 41	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Sep 20	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Whidby 15	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Sep 27	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Langley 218	6:30 P M Dinner—Stated Meeting
Sep 28	Wednesday	7:30 PM	District 9	LAO Fidalgo 77 Host Reg. 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 Garage Has Been Remodeled

By Kenneth Thompson, 32°, KCCH

Brethren one and all:

The current status in the construction of our New Vendor Storage Units, both are 8 ft by 10 ft each is now complete with the cost of \$3350 dollars. Help sometimes was hard to get, however, I would like to thank following Brethren who took time out of their busy schedules to assist in the building and completion of our new Vendor Sheds. Those Brothers were John Mathers, his wife Mary, Brothers Terry Grove, Ray Verschuyt, Bruce Whitlock, Mike Dulaney and myself, thank you for the hours you put in for the successful completion of this monumental task.

I would also like to thank Brothers John Mathers, 32°, KCCH and Brother Bruce Whitlock, 32° for not only supporting the hours required for the construction but also for helping the Valley by the donation of building materials and supplies

Also in the Garage, one of our Vendors, Joy Max Catering, has had a 8 foot by 12 foot walk in refrigerator installed in the Southeast corner of the parking garage,

With all these changes in the garage area, we ask those who park to use extreme caution while maneuvering and parking in the lower garage.



## Almoner's Fund

The Almoner is an elected officer of the Scottish Rite whose duty is to dispense the charities of the Lodge. The recipient is never aware of the source of the aid. True charity happens without fanfare or recognition of the source. The various expenditures are an investment made to assist those in need by giving them a feeling of security, and knowing that someone cares enough to give their time and money to help lift their worries. Maintaining the Almoner's fund is the duty of each member of the Scottish Rite and exemplifies the three principle tenets of Masonry – Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.

When attending meetings, Scottish Rite Masons will hear the injunction by the Almoner re-

garding the contributions; no brother is expected to leave without making his contribution. This is in no way intended to embarrass a brother, but to remind him of his duty. Many brethren who are unable to attend meetings have not overlooked this important Masonic duty by including a contribution for the Almoner when they pay their dues.

If you are aware of or are a Brother in need, you can contact the Valley Almoner, John Mathers at 425-788-3772. The identity of anyone requesting assistance from the Almoner is held in the strictest confidence and will never be made public.



# 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 2022-2023 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 "Bride 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*

### *Valley of Everett* *Feast of Tishri*

Monday, October 17, 2022  
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 13, 2022

### Valley of Everett – Orient of Washington

### September 2022 through October 2022 Calendar of Events

Sep 19	Monday	Lodge of Perfection—Stated Meeting— 6:30 PM buffet/7:30 PM Meeting
Sep 25	Monday	Combined Board of Trustee's and ExCom meeting- Zoom at 6:00 PM
Oct 03	Monday	Lodge of Perfection— 6:30 PM Buffet – Stated Meeting
Oct 17	Monday	Council of Kadosh—Stated Meeting— Feast of Tishri
Oct 24	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 opportunities that are available to them in the Valley of Everett Scottish Rite.

# VALLEY OF EVERETT SCOTTISH RITE TEMPLE MONTHLY RENTAL SCHEDULE

Sep 01, 2022	Thursday	7:30 PM	Alderwood #185 Order of Eastern Star
Sep 04, 2022	Sunday	1:00PM	Prince Hall—SR Consistory 118
Sep 07, 2022	Wednesday	7:30 PM	Amaranth - Welcome Court #58
Sep 08, 2022	Thursday	1:00 PM	Oddfellows—Pilgrim #187 - Virtual + Stated Zoom
Sep 14, 2022	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Rainbow Assembly #9
Sep 15, 2022	Thursday	7:30 PM	Alderwood #185 -Order of Eastern Star
Sep 28, 2022	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:

<i>Annual Yearly Dues for 2023 (Due December 31, 2022).....</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](http://everettvalleysr.org)  
[scottishritewa.org](http://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](mailto:j.mathers@comcast.net)

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