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Excellent Companion Steward
Excellent Companion Steward
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Grand High Priest's Message



Greetings Companions:

The 4th of July is a very important date for both the United States and Freemasons and is celebrated by the members of the Craft all over the world. The Declaration of Independence with signed and accepted into Congress on the 4th of July 1776, marking the birth of the United States. Freemasonry is at the base of the United States, a country that has allowed the union of different races and which espouses mutual respect and goodwill towards others as a core tenet. All these are principles in Freemasonry. Please remember this fraternal achievement, signing of the declaration of independence, in a safe and sane manner.

The GHP's Annual Plan has been finalized and is being disseminated to all the members. I am reprinting the Grand Chapter's Mission, Vision, and Values because it is important and I will be discussing these statements during my official visits. Please be prepared to discuss the statements above.

An exciting upcoming event includes the <u>York Rite Picnic on Saturday July 20th, 2024 at the Royal Arch Park</u>. The bodies provide the main course. Please bring a side or dessert to share. Ancient and Heroic Order of the Gordian Knot degree will be conferred by Blake Island Synod No. 1. The fee is \$25/cash and includes lifetime membership, card, certificate and lapel pin.

Fraternally,

MEC Rabi K. Peifer Grand High Priest Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Washington

GRAND CHAPTER

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Illustrious Grand Master's Message



Greetings Companions All,

Every year in early August, Masons from both the Grand Lodge of Washington and the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Washington and Jurisdiction gather in Dupont and march together dressed in Masonic regalia from a nearby park to the Dupont Community Presbyterian Church to attend a joint church service.

The service is attended by Brothers and Sisters from the different Concordant Masonic Bodies and is open to family and friends. After the service, there is a pot luck dinner in the park behind the church where attendees can enjoy the ties of family and friendship with one another.

This year, the 32nd Annual March of Unity will occur on Sunday, August 4th, 2024. We will gather at the park at 3:30PM and prepare to march to the church.

One of the hosts is the Worshipful Master from Steilacoom Lodge #2, Worshipful Brother Tomahawk Pearson, who is also the Grand Sentinel for the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Washington.

As a show of support for him and the spirit of Unity, I would like to request every Grand Council Officer, Council Officer, and any Companion wearing a purple coat, to join me at the park and show your commitment to Unity, Respect, and Brotherly Love.

Fraternally,

MIC Joseph L. McAlister
Most Illustrious Grand Master
Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of Washington

GRAND COUNCIL

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Grand Commander's Message



Sir Knights—

Welcome to July and the heat. It is kind of fitting that one of the topics of my message this month was going to be Civility (especially after I just left Wal-Mart, one of the most un-civil places in Pasco). Now there are Scholars far smarter than I am that have written far more eloquently on the subject than I can. George Washington has a small book on it. Words when once spoken can never be taken back and while they may be forgiven, they are often not forgotten. I usually ask myself the following questions when I am in a conversation I see going south: 1. Does this need to be said? 2. Does it need to be said right now? 3. Does it need to be said by me? 4. Does it promote a positive change? I mean, after all, arguing over a point of view is pointless if you think about it.

The man who is correct in any situation can learn something from the man who was wrong. And as long as it isn't life threatening what does it hurt to agree to disagree? By the time this article prints I will have completed my first two visitations with Malta Commandry and Pasco Commandry. I want to thank the Sir knights for their warm reception and hospitality. I look forward to visiting with each of you as much as possible throughout my year. I am happy to help in any way I can. I look forward to constituting Falls City Commandry soon so keep your eye on the Focus for that event. I hope to see you all at our picnic on July 20th. And last but not least be well and God Bless you.

Sincerely and fraternally,

SK Barron J. White, REGC Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Washington

Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Washington

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Greetings Companions from your Royal Arch Masons Children's Heart Foundation

Companions,

Here it is July already! What happened to May? It seems as if I just went to sleep after leaving sessions and skipped to the present. Before you know it, we will be talking about Valentine's Day. As stated in the Bylaws, the Trustees held a meeting to elect officers as close to sessions as possible and I am happy to announce the results to you.

Jay White, President
Bobby Baxter 1st Vice President
Ricardo Barrientes, 2nd Vice President
Jimmy Norton, Treasurer
Mark Sanders, Secretary

As many of you know Kyle Evanstad has stepped down. I want to thank him for all his efforts in fulfilling his duties to the foundation over the last couple of years. It is a large task for anyone to take and you leave a spot that will be hard to duplicate. I would also like to thank Companion Mark Sanders for taking on the challenge of the duties of secretary. Some days cat herding would be easier. Thanks also to Companion Ricardo Barrientes for stepping up to his position. And to Companion Bobby Baxter for his efforts for another year as First Vice President. I know Jimmy and myself are seen at the forefront of the foundation but without you guys it just wouldn't work. I am once again humbled that I was chosen to lead such a fine group of Companions and I thank each of you for your vote of confidence. I ask once again as always, if you are interested in being a trustee or just attending the meetings to see what it is about, please contact either the secretary or myself and make yourself available. And as a reminder we still have swag for sale and now we even have Tumblers

VEC Jay White, President (509) 851-2355

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2023-2024 Officers

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Treasurer's Report

Ending balances as of 5/31/24

Checking: \$33,078.55 Savings: \$20,584.39 Investments: \$3,467,250.60

Bill's as of 4/30/24
All are approved budgeted items
\$649.16 PUD; Comcast.

Thank you to the companions that continue to contribute to the foundation to make a difference in the lives of children in need.

Remember that your contributions will make a difference in the lives of Children. Please consider making a donation today!

VEC Jimmy Norton Treasurer (206) 679-6582

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Royal Arch Research Assistance (RARA)

R.A.R.A. - Royal Arch Research Assistance is a Philanthropy of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, International, was established by action of the General Grand Chapter in 1975.

The purpose of the Philanthropy is to assist in providing funds for Research in areas where there is great need, and which are less than adequately funded from other sources. They have and are directing their main thrust of support to Research in the area of Auditory Perception, which adversely affects untold thousands of children, especially boys.

The study of central auditory function is an intriguing endeavor. A central auditory processing disorder impacts the academic, work, and social behavior of the child and adult. The condition causes them to scramble written, or oral, instructions and thus not understand what is wanted or desired of them even thou they have normal intelligence, normal vision and normal hearing.

This program is identifying the problems (causes) and the cures for this malady. Over the years exciting results have occurred for many children with specialized use of acoustic earplugs and earmuffs, strategic classroom seating arrangements, FM wireless microphone systems and even electronic manipulation of speech signals used to enhance the intelligibility of speech.

Much has been learned and accomplished, however, much still needs to be done. The General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons is pleased to still contribute to the financial support of this worthy endeavor.

Donations can be sent to:

Royal Arch Research Assistance c/o J. William Riggs P.O. Box 1040 Bardstown, KY 40004-1040

Additional information can be found on the General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons International website at:

https://www.ggcrami.org/

Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation (CMMRF)

The Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation is the national Philanthropy of the General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, International.

Our Incorporation—March 6, 1986

The Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation, (CMMRF), was incorporated in the state of Oklahoma, driven by Most Puissant General Grand Master Ben Mandlebaum, of the General Grand Council, Cryptic Masons International.

Endowed Chair Established at IU—February 1996

The CMMRF Board of Trustees agreed to fund a Chair at the Indiana University Medical Center at the cost of \$1 million. The Foundation agrees to contribute \$200,000/year for five years to endow the chair. As an incentive, the university offered to guarantee a 5% income on the endowment plus matching it with a 5% payout from the endowment.

Dr. Keith L. March, Inaugural Chair—1999 Early in 1999, Keith L. March, M.D., PhD., was named the first holder of the newly endowed CMMRF Chair.

IU Endowed Chair Funded—1999

The final \$200,000 payment was made in December 2000 to fund the Chair at Indiana University.

CMMRF Lab Rebranding Strategy—December 2000

The laboratory sponsored by CMMRF was rebranded as the Indiana Center for Vascular Biology and Medicine (ICVBM). This new program and the creation of an endowed chair drew more than \$2,000,000 in additional funding for the program from non-Masonic sources. 2001-2002 \$300,000

Donation 2007

In 2007, a non-Masonic benefactor challenged CMMRF to match his \$50,000 donation to the Indiana Center of Vascular Biology and Medicine. By meeting his challenge, CMMRF contributed \$300,000 to ICVBM in 2007.

2007 Single Donation Makes Big Progress

In 2008, a Cryptic Mason donated \$20,000 which CMMRF matched and enabled Cryptic Masons to give \$240,000 to ICVBM for research in 2008. Today, upon request, CMMRF will match \$5,000 donations, up to \$25,000.

ICVBM selected to join CCTRN—2008

The IU center was tapped to join the Cardiovascular Cell Therapy Research Network (CCTRN), funded by the National Institutes of Health.

Founding Exec. Secretary Retires—April 2012

Marion K. Crum, Past Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council, Cryptic Masons of Indiana, retires from service as the first CMMRF Executive Secretary after serving almost 27 years.

CMMRF Donations Exceed \$3M—October 2012

After providing \$200,000 in support to the Indiana University ICVBM in 2013, CMMRF had an aggregated commitment of more than \$3,000,000.

Dr. Michael Murphy, Chair—2013

Dr. Michael P. Murphy selected as the next holder of the Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation Chair.
July 17, 2018

"CMMRF supports the Indiana Center for Vascular Biology and Medicine, (ICVBM), located at the Indiana University School of Medicine and the Richard Roudebush Veteran's Administration Medical Center located at Indianapolis, IN.

Because blood vessels are important in maintaining the health or repairing almost all tissues, practically all diseases turn out to have a vascular component connected to their origin or remediation. Diabetes, stroke, poor circulation, wound healing, and many other diseases share the common denominator of blood vessels. Centering our contributions to an organization that addresses so many different health concerns, both nationally and internationally, allows our supporters to share in the medical advancements, regardless of geography. Through the basic and clinical research, conducted by ICVBM and supported by CMMRF, advancements are being made to discover cures for many of today's health problems, prevent major diseases, and finally to save lives. We have the opportunity to improve the human condition for those most dear to us and ourselves. We invite you to become a part of this team and join our partnership in discovery. Let's do something great together!" (copied from the CMMRF official web page and used with the permission of the CMMRF)

To All Cryptic Masons Where So Ever Dispersed over the Face of the Earth:

In remembrance of the chartering of Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation, The CMMRF Board of Trustees declared Saturday, March 6th, 2021 as CMMRF DAY, calling on all Cryptic Masons to donate five dollars (\$5.00), to their home Council as tribute to this philanthropy and its great works.

Companions, the 2019 CMMRF Goal was \$250,000.00; we reached \$268,000.00. The 2020 goal was \$300,000.00; we reached \$334,000.00. 2021 CMMRF Goal is \$500,000.00. Let's see if we can continue the trend and beat this goal by an even bigger percentage. The total currently raised across all jurisdictions as of 12 February is \$22,722.77. The Grand Council of Washington is responsible for only \$55.00 of that total, \$50.00 from W.F. Meier Council #22 and \$5.00 from Seattle Council #6. We need to get to work!!

Additionally, the CMMRF has received a \$50,000 Challenge Gift to raise a matching \$50,000 by April 1. You can contribute to this match as well as CMMRF Day. Just be sure to mark your

checks/donations for CMMRF Day. And, if you contribute electronically, please remember to include your Council name and number and the Grand Council of Washington, so that you, your Council, and the Grand Council gets the appropriate credit for the donation.

Do not forget the tax and charitable opportunities of directing a portion of your RMD's, (Required Minimum Distributions), to CMMRF, and please consider remembering CMMRF in your estate planning documents.

Council Recorders are to accumulate all donations and send <u>one</u> check, on behalf of the Council to:

CMMRF P.O. Box 210 Brownsburg, IN 46111-0210 by May 15, 2021.

Thanks for all you do for our great philanthropy!

Grand Council of Washington CMMRF Committee

Knights Templar Eye Foundation (KTEF)

The mission of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation is "To Improve Vision Through Research, Education, and Supporting Access to Care".

The Knights Templar Eye Foundation, incorporated in 1956, is a charity sponsored by the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar. The Foundation is governed by a Board of Trustees comprised of the six elected officers of the Grand Encampment, all Past Grand Masters of the Grand Encampment, and six trustees-at-large elected from and by the membership for a term of nine years. It is exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501 (c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Code and contributions made to the Foundation are deductible by donors.

The original mission of the Foundation was "to provide assistance to those who face loss of sight due to the need for surgical treatment without regard to race, color, creed, age, sex or national origin provided they are unable to pay or receive adequate assistance from current government agencies or similar sources and to provide funds for research in curing diseases of the eye".

On December 31st, 2010, the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., by direction of the board, shifted the Foundation's focus and adopted a new mission statement "to improve vision through research, education, and supporting access to care." The Foundation now only participates in direct patient care through the Seniors Eye Care Program in partnership with EyeCare America and the Foundation of the American Academy of Ophthalmology. With this change, the Foundation is benefitting untold millions in generations to come through grants that support research and education. Our research dollars have helped develop new nonsurgical, treatments for strabismus (crossed eyes) and ophthalmologists have told us that our efforts in funding pediatric ophthalmology research have been the primary reason that there are fewer and fewer surgeries for strabismus. The Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., annually announces its call for research grant applications. The Foundation invites eligible investigators to submit applications for pediatric ophthalmology research grants for the award period which normally runs from July 1 to June 30. From the applications received, the Scientific Advisory Committee recommends to the Trustees which requests should be funded.

Since its inception, the foundation has expended over \$156M on research, patient care, and education. Research grants totaling in excess of \$28M have been awarded to researchers working in the fields of pediatric ophthalmology and ophthalmic genetics.

Ways to Donate

Special award programs for contributions include:

*Life Sponsor - Available to Sir Knights (members of a Commandery) who donate \$30.

*Associate Patron - Available to any person or organization that makes a donation of \$50.

*Patron - Available to any person or organization that makes a donation of \$100.

*Payments for Life Sponsor, Patron, and/or Associate Patron will exempt your Grand Commandery from further assessment to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.

**The Grand Master's Club - One Thousand Dollars enrolls you as a concerned individual in

the humanitarian work of the Foundation. The Grand Master's Club is available to all individuals, whether Templars or others, but not to organizations. Your membership in the Grand Master's Club entitles you to a lapel pin, an engraved wall plaque and the Crusaders Cross issued for the first 5 Grand Master Clubs. (As of 2/1/2015 once 25 Grand Master's Clubs are reached, a Sword of Merit will be awarded.)

**The Grand Commander's Club - You can enroll in the Grand Commander's Club by sending in your first installment of \$100.00 or more. At the time of your enrollment, you will receive a lapel pin and wallet card (signifying your membership). In addition, members of the Grand Commander's Club pledge to make annual contributions of \$100.00 or more for nine more years until the total of \$1,000.00 is reached. Once contributions total \$1,000.00, the individual is enrolled in the Grand Master's Club.

**The Grand Master's Club and Grand Commander's Club are available to all individual Templars or others, but not to organizations.

Memorial Donations - These donations are of any amount in memory of a deceased person. A form is provided on the donor envelope.

Honorary Gifts - These donations are given in honor of a living person in recognition of service or friendship.

Wills and Bequests - Anyone who believes in the service provided by the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. may leave a bequest to the Foundation in their will.

Sight Crusader - Anyone who designates the KTEF in their will and provides suitable notification to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. will be listed in the Gold Book and designated a Sight Crusader.

The Permanent Donor Fund - This unique fund gives perpetual recognition to any person or organization that becomes a recipient of the Golden Chalice or Sword of Merit. Recognition is given by presentation of the Golden Chalice or Sword of Merit and the name and amount contributed appear in the Annual Report on a continuing basis. Additional donations by the individual or organization in the amount of \$1,000 or more will be acknowledged in future annual reports. The donor may be an organization, foundation, corporation, or individual.

Donations can be sent to:

Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. 3201 Cross Timbers Rd., Bldg. 4, Ste. 300 Flower Mound, TX 75028

MMS

So as most of our Washington Secretaries and Recorders are about done with their "Annual Report hand-wringing" for another year, I am thinking that a good number of them would welcome a world where they didn't have to type in the officers names, addresses, phone numbers, email addresses together with technical data relative to past heads-of-bodies, suspended and demitted members, affiliations, deaths and Degree information that could have been updated as the year went along within the MMS system. More and more Secretaries and Recorders have discovered the ease of working within the MMS system as they spend more time getting used to entering new petitioners and simply updating their information as they progress through the fraternity. Every day the heads of our Grand York Rite bodies have an opportunity to review the daily activity within the MMS and thereby acquire more helpful information as to where to direct their help and support. Deputies, Masters of the Arches, and Deputy Instructors are encouraged to become familiar with the MMS system so they can better assist new Secretaries/Recorders and point out how specific elements of the system can aid them in carrying out their duties to the units.

Every Washington York Rite member has 24/7 access to their own information that is on file on the MMS platform.

When we first got started with the system, many discovered that the information they thought they had in their local systems turned out to be in error. Degree dates weren't lining up, spellings were sometimes off a bit, and some who had recently stepped in to these important positions were unable to find a current and/or complete roster. Sometimes, if you are like me, when you get a few more years under your belt, you might tend to forget not only dates, but even that you had availed yourself of some of the bonus degrees and fraternal benefits that others continue to enjoy.

If you would like to do a simple check on what the MMS system has on file for you, there are a few hoops you need to jump through. First, you need a computer or an online device capable of running the Chrome browser. Second, you need one of your MMS membership numbers. Each York Rite body has a different number for you, but any one of them will allow you access to all your personal information. (Hint: Everyone who has a WA Knight Templar membership card has their number in the white section located on the edge of the card). The next thing you need is this internet link:

https://www.masonic-web.com/mms/memberbio/default.aspx. If you see something amiss, or if information is missing, please let your Secretary/Recorder know so that he can edit your information on your behalf.

As time goes on, look for more information and ideas that will be posted here about how the MMS system can be implemented to make our experience a great one. Secretaries/Recorders - you might want to start dreaming of the day when you can do an annual report with a few simple button-pushes. If you run in to a challenge with this MMS business and need some assistance, that is why I am here. I am always willing to work with you toward a positive resolution.

Fraternally,

MIC Michael Holland, Past Illustrious Grand Master Technology Committee Chairman Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of Washington

July 2024

YORK RITE LIFE MEMBERSHIP MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

York Rite Life Membership Foundation

York Rite Life Membership John Brett—Secretary 9519 36th St. NW Gig Harbor WA 98335-6063

Grand Chapter: Ken Cowen, President

John Brett, Secretary

William R. Miller

Grand Council: Anthony Schwab

Don Moore

David Grindle, Treasurer

Grand Commandery: James Nero

David Aponte

John Vivian, Vice President



The park has completed the winter clean up and is already in the throes of the spring mowing season.

It is going to be busy in the park this upcoming season.

Don't forget we have released a website that will allow for increased visibility and advertising. Please take a peek at: www.royalarchpark.org

A big thank you to all who volunteered to help clean up after the crazy winter we had.

The park has many events booked for 2024. If you are need of a rental, please let us know.

Looking forward to seeing everyone this summer for the York Right picnic the third Saturday of July.

Companion Jeff Long Royal Arch Park Board President



Upcoming Events

Official Visits/Upcoming Events—July 2024/August 2024

Grand High Priest

August 10th: Falls City Chapter No. 54, Fall City

August 19th: Tacoma Chapter No. 4, Tacoma

August 22nd: Spokane Chapter No. 2, Spokane

Illustrious Grand Master

July 15th: Tacoma Council #1, Tacoma

August 6th: March of Unity (Dupont Community Presbyterian)

August 28th: Zadok Council #23, Richland

Grand Commander

August 26th: Hesperus Commandery No. 8, Sedro-Woolley

July 20th: York Rite Picnic (Royal Arch Park)

August 17th to 21st: 69th Triennial Conclave Grand Encampment Knights Templar of the United States of America

Seattle Council #6 will be hosting the Royal Master and Select Master Degrees on Saturday, September 28th at 9:00AM at St. Andrews Lodge #35, 505 S. Williams Ave., Renton. Please forward courtesy requests to VIC Jerry Whitney as soon as you know the names, etc.

***There are a number of bogus emails being circulated with the names of our presiding elected officers, asking for money, if you can offer assistance, purchase gift cards, etc. DELETE THESE AND BLOCK THE SENDERS! These emails have NOT been sent by any of the elected leaders and should be considered junk and phishing scams.

York Rite WA, LLC

Officers for 2024—2025

President	Fred Mark
Vice-President	David Sandretto
Treasurer	Roger Pankey
Secretary	Geoffrey Joosten
Member	Jay White
Member	Joseph McAlister
Member	Richard Roblee
Member	John Burrage
Member	Michael Palko Dean
Member	Donald Moore
Member	Earl Fordham

This is the time of the year when trees and plants shed their leaves. This is also the time to start collecting the Dues, Per Capita, and Fees.

For all Chapters: In as much as there was no legislation passed at the last Royal Arch Sessions, the per capita remains constant.

Per Capita:

General Grand Chapter \$3.00

Grand Chapter \$19.00

RAMCHF \$1.00

Total for Grand Chapter: \$23.00

This amount is reduced if the companion has a RAMCHF or General Grand Chapter life membership.

For all Councils:

Sec. 7.054 Const. For each member borne on the rolls of a Chartered Council, Eleven Dollars (\$11.00) annual per capita tax, excepting indigent and Fifty (50) year members (Effective January 1, 2011). Changed by Adopted Amended Resolution 2010-36

This Section has been modified by Resolution 2015-005 at the 2019 Grand Council.

Sec. 7.054 Const. For each member borne on the rolls of a Chartered Council, Ten Dollars (\$10.00) annual per capita tax, excepting indigent and Fifty (50) year members (Effective May 17, 2015).

Sec. 7.055 Const. For each Chartered Council upon the rolls of this Grand Council, the sum of Three Dollars (\$3.00) will be submitted with the annual returns to the Grand Recorder. This money is for the sole purpose of funding the annual reception of the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Free and Accepted Masons of Washington. Upon request this fund will be available to the reception committee upon approval of the Grand Master and shall not require the approval of the Finance Committee.

(This section was approved in 2015 as Resolution 2014-01 and passed in 2019 as Resolution 2014-01.)

This is a total of \$13.00 Per Capita for Grand Council. The General Grand Council Per Capita is \$2.50.

Total for Grand Council Per Capita is \$15.50.

For all Commanderies:

The Grand Commandery Per Capita is \$10.00. The Grand Encampment Per Capita is \$9.00.

Total for Grand Commandery is \$19.00.

From the FOCUS editor:

Companions and Sir Knights—

In this issue you will see that most of the presiding officer and secretary/recorder's names have been changed to red. When you have elected your new officers, please send me the name of the presiding officer and secretary/recorder ONLY. I do not need any of the other elected and/or appointed officers.

The information should include: Name, email address and phone number. Also, please ensure the information such as meeting location, time, etc., is correct. I will get the information updated once it's received.

If you belong to: Red Cross of Constantine, Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests, or any of the other bodies listed, please contact me with your officer listing, meeting times and location, etc., so they may be included in the FOCUS.

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Meets 4th Monday at Anacortes Lodge, 1019 8th St., Anacortes, WA, except July, August and December. Dinner at 6:30PM; stated meeting at 7:30PM.

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Snohomish County Chapter No. 15

Meets 3rd Thursday of February, April, June, September and November at Edmonds Lodge, 515 Dayton St., Edmonds, WA. Potluck at 6:30PM; stated meeting at 7:30PM.

High Priest: EC William Meyring (425) 408-0808 brm2621@hotmail.com
Secretary: EC Roger Barnstead (206) 396-4239 roger.a.barnstead@gmail.com

Fellowship Chapter No. 61

Meets the 2^{nd} Tuesday at Ashlar Masonic Temple, 10035 $\frac{1}{2}$ Main St., Bothell, WA, except for July and August. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM. Dinner at 6:30PM.

High Priest:	EC Dan Echo	(562) 472-6567	daniel.c.echo@gmail.com
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District #3:

Oriental Chapter No. 19

Meets on the 2nd Saturday of January, March, May, September and November at Green Lake Masonic Hall, 307 NE Maple Leaf Pl., Seattle, WA at 10:30AM. If in conflict with Grand Chapter meeting, the first (1st) Saturday in May. Lunch follows all meetings at a nearby restaurant.

High Priest:EC John Hannaman(425) 351-0566johnhannaman@comcast.netSecretary:EC Geoffrey Joosten(206) 707-3296geoffreyjoosten@comcast.net

Issaguah Chapter No. 39

Meets on the 2nd Tuesday at St. Andrews Masonic Center, 505 Williams Ave. S, Renton, WA except for July and August. Potluck at 6:30PM; stated convocation at 7:30PM. Every September is the annual visitation of Falls City Chapter No. 54.

High Priest:MEC Donald Beck(425) 745-6830djbeck1@comcast.netSecretary:MEC Jerry Whitney(206) 241-7510jrwitnee@comcast.net

Falls City Chapter No. 54

Meets the 1st Saturday of June and the 2nd Saturday of February, March, April, July, August, September, October, and November at 4 PM at 4304-337th Place SE, Fall City, WA. Dark in January, May, December. The September convocation is optionally at 7:30PM on the 2nd Tuesday and is held JOINTLY with Issaquah #39 at 505 S. Williams Ave., Renton, WA.

High Priest:EC Gerry O'Brien(425) 457-1330gerry.obrien@gmail.comSecretary:C Nick Michaud(206) 459-0155Nickalan@comcast.net

District #4:

Robert B. Palmer Chapter No. 46

Meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Auburn Masonic Temple, 10 Auburn Way S, Auburn, WA, except July, August and December. Potluck dinner at 6:30PM; stated meeting at 7:30PM.

High Priest: EC John Caverly (253) 302-7144 caverlyj@gmail.com Secretary: VEC Mike Palko-Dean (253) 217-8192 dadmike@comcast.net

Triple Tau Chapter No. 66

Meets on the 2nd Wednesday of month at the Des Moines Masonic Temple, 2208 S 223rd St., Des Moines, WA. Dark in July & August. Potluck dinner at 6:30 PM; stated meeting at 7:30 PM. If May meeting conflicts with Grand Chapter, it may be held at the discretion of the Chapter High Priest within 10 days of the 2nd Wednesday of May.

High Priest: EC Dale Collier (206) 472-6567 Collierconstruction1@gmail.com
Secretary: VEC John Burrage (206) 947-9887 jsburrage@aol.com

District #5:

Tacoma Chapter No. 4

Meets on the 3rd Monday in February, April, June, August, October and December at 817 S. Vassault St., Tacoma, WA. Potluck dinner at 6:30PM.

High Priest:EC John Yeager(253) 324-3701yeagerjohn@outlook.comSecretary:EC James Nero(253) 227-1178jnero28@hotmail.com

Olympus Chapter No. 27

Meets on the 4th Monday at 6:00PM at the Bremerton Masonic Temple, 878 5th St., Bremerton, WA, except July and August.

High Priest:EC Edward Harris(360) 620-0458mastermason260@gmail.comSecretary:MEC Scot Sageser(360) 228-9929bremertonyorkrite1307@gmail.com

Angeles Chapter No. 38

Meets on the 3rd Tuesday of March, June and September at the Port Gamble Lodge No. 5, 5 N. Rainier Ave., Port Gamble, WA. Meetings are in conjunction with Crescent Council No. 18 and Juan de Fuca Commandery No. 17. Hosted dinners before Official Visits at 6:30PM. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM. No meeting in July, August and December.

High Priest: EC Tim Hamm (360) 689-7135 None

Secretary: EC Kirk Roes (PT) (360) 809-3632 Theroses@wavecable.com

District #6:

Centralia Chapter No. 44

Meets on the 1st Wednesday of February, April, June, October and December at the Centralia Masonic Temple, 218 N. Pearl St., Centralia, WA. Stated meeting at 7:30PM. Refreshments served after the meeting.

High Priest:EC Shane Inman(360) 941-0861slinman87@gmail.comSecretary:VEC John H. Vivian(360) 280-0154jbarv1@hotmail.com

Cowlitz Chapter No. 70

Meets on the second Wednesday of January, April and October at the Woodland-Kalama Masonic Center, 143 Davidson Ave., Woodland, WA. Dinner at 6:30PM. Stated meeting at 7:30PM.

High Priest: VEC Mark D. Sanders (360) 687-5281 Mark.D.Sanders@gmail.com

Secretary: EC David A Rice (513) 607-4586 mrd4808@gmail.com

District #7:

Ellensburg Chapter No. 11

Meets on the 1st Thursday at the Ellensburg Masonic Temple, 111 ½ W. 6th Ave., Ellensburg, WA, except July, August, and Federal Holidays. Stated meeting at 7:00PM. Meetings are combined with Ellensburg Commandery.

High Priest: EC Mikhail Munden (509) 607-9364 mikinic2@yahoo.com

Secretary: MEC Patrick Stanton (509) 859-2067 highplainsdrifter@rocketmail.com

Pasco Chapter No. 33

Meets on the 4th Wednesday in January, April, July and October at the Richland Masonic Temple, 412 Thayer Dr., Richland, WA. On all other months it opens informally in association with Zadok Council #23 and Pasco Commandery #21. Dark in November and December. Stated meeting at 7:30PM. Dinner at 6:00PM when Official Visitation takes place.

High Priest: EC Bret A. Tremble (509) 554-9971 marinedoctremble@gmail.com
Secretary: EC Charles Davis (509) 943-5843 Cr eddavis@frontier.com

District #8:

Walla Walla Chapter No. 1

Meets every 2nd Wednesday of the month, but formally opens only the months of January, April and October at the Walla Walla Masonic Center, 607 E. Main St., Walla Walla, WA, except June, July and August. Stated meeting is at 7:30PM.

High Priest:EC Sean Scanlon(541) 303-3821sscanlon68@gmail.comSecretary:VEC Phillip Woodland(509) 529-3781woodlandforest@charter.net

Evergreen Chapter No. 10

Meets the 4th Monday at the Nitosa Lodge No. 204, 102 2nd St., Asotin, WA, except June, July, August and December. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM.

High Priest:MEC John W. Zeller(208) 413-0375jwzidaho@yahoo.comSecretary:VEC Steven Kazda(509) 566-4020skazda@pomeroy-wa.com

District #9:

Spokane Chapter No. 2

Meets 4th Thursdays except November and December at the Spokane Masonic Center, 506 W. 2nd Ave., Spokane, WA. Stated meeting begins at 6:00pm.

High Priest:EC Jeff Pratt(509) 222-8458jeff.pratt1953@gmail.comSecretary:VEC Fred Mark(509) 499-8932Fsmark3@outlook.com

Wenatchee Chapter No. 22

Meets the Second Saturday of March, April, May, June, September, October and November at the Wenatchee Masonic Center, 811 N. Chelan, Wenatchee, WA, except July and August. Stated meetings begin at 1:30PM. If the second Saturday is a holiday, the meeting will take place on the 3rd Saturday.

High Priest: EC Wes Beare (509) 670-2558 No Email

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Okanogan Valley Chapter No. 41—Charter Arrested by Grand High Priest

Meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Trinity Episcopal Church (annex), 604 Central Ave., Oroville, WA, except January, February, July and August. Stated meetings begin at 7:30PM. If the May Convocation conflicts with Grand Chapter, it shall be held on the fourth Monday.

High Priest:VEC Rick Kelly(509) 476-2856gto@gdicom.netSecretary:C Brad Wood(509) 486-0973gwbw211@hotmail.com

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Arch No. 1:

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Meets the 4th Monday of each month at the Bremerton Masonic Temple, 878 5th St., Bremerton, WA, except July and August. Stated meetings begin at 7:00PM.

Illustrious Master: VIC Jeff Haun-Steik (847) 609-7175 haun-steik@msn.com

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Crescent Council No. 18

Meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Port Gable Lodge No. 5, 5 N. Rainier Ave., Port Gamble, WA. Stated meetings January through November beginning at 7:30PM. Meets in conjunction with Angeles Chapter No. 38 and Juan de Fuca Commandery No. 17. Hosted dinners before Official Visits at 6:30PM, and stated meeting begins at 7:30PM. No meeting in July, August and December.

Illustrious Master: IC Kirk Rose (360) 809-3532 theroses@wavecable.com

Recorder: IC

Arch No. 2:

Bellingham Council No. 16

Meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month except for July and August at the Burlington-United Masonic Lodge, 106 Warner St., Sedro Woolley, WA. Dinner at 6:30PM. Stated meeting at 7:30PM.

Illustrious Master: VIC Marion Windel (PT) (360) 678-6893 winda@isomedia.com
Recorder: VIC Douglas Jerome (360) 672-0459 jammerguy1@gmail.com

Arch No. 3:

Adoniram Council No. 17

Meets the 2nd Saturday of March, May, September and November at the Green Lake Masonic Hall, 307 NE Maple Leaf Place, Seattle, WA. Meeting starts at 2:00PM. Lunch before at a local restaurant, usually Rosita's. First Saturday in May if conflict with Grand Sessions. Installation in January.

Illustrious Master: IC David Flood (206) 306-5525 floodtax@gmail.com
Recorder: IC Jeffrey T. Harden (206) 274-5271 nicostratus@gmail.com

Walter F. Meier Council No. 22

Meets the 2nd Friday in January, March, September and November; 1st Friday in May at the Ashlar Masonic Temple, 10035 ½ Main St., Bothell, WA. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM. Potluck dinner (main course provided) begins at 6:30PM.

Illustrious Master: IC William Meyring (425) 408-0808 brm2621@hotmail.com

Recorder: IC

Arch No. 4:

Tacoma Council No. 1

Meets the 3rd Monday of January, March, May, July, September, and November at 5405 S. Puget Sound Ave., Tacoma, WA. Stated meetings begin at 7:30PM. Potluck dinner at 6:30PM.

Illustrious Master: IC John Brett (253) 265-3870 jmbrett99@yahoo.com
Recorder: IC John Yeager (253) 324-3701 yeagerjohn@outlook.com

Seattle Council No 6

Meets the 3rd Monday of every month at 6:45PM except for July, August and December at the St. Andrews Masonic Center, 505 S. Williams Ave., Renton, WA. Potluck dinner at 5:00PM.

Illustrious Master: IC Jaime Speicher (425) 518-8845 jaimespeicher@qamsllc.com

Recorder: VIC Jerry Whitney (206) 241-7510 jrwitnee@comcast.net

King Solomon Council No. 27

Meets the 3rd Saturday of each month except for November and December. If the May meeting conflicts with Grand York Rite sessions, or the July meeting conflicts with the York Rite Picnic, the meeting will be on the 4th Saturday at King Solomon Masonic Temple, 10 Auburn Way S, Auburn, WA. Stated meeting at 10:00AM. Fellowship at 9:00AM.

Illustrious Master: IC Harold Hobbs (253) 347-2907 hobbsseatac@hotmail.com Recorder: RIC Mike Palko-Dean (253) 217-8192 dadmike@comcast.net

Arch No. 5:

Alpha Council No. 20

Meets the 1st Wednesday of January, March, May, September and November at the Centralia Masonic Temple, 218 N. Pearl St., Centralia, WA. Stated meeting at 7:30PM. Dinner at Country Cousin Restaurant, 1054 Harrison Ave., Centralia, WA, at 6:00PM.

Illustrious Master: IC Bartly Webster (435) 619-3267 bartlyroewebster@gmail.com

Recorder: IC John H. Vivian (360) 280-0154 jbarv1@hotmail.com

Vancouver Council No. 10

Meets the 2nd Wednesday of February, May, and November at the Woodland-Kalama Masonic Center, 143 Davidson St., Woodland, WA. Dinner at 6:30PM. Stated meeting at 7:30PM.

Illustrious Master: IC Marvin Colburn, Jr. (360) 608-4015 navyidc1980@gmail.com
Recorder: IC Richard Hallett (360) 274-8149 stocktonhallett@gmail.com

Arch No. 6:

Ellensburg Council No. 26

Meets the 4th Thursday of each month at the Ellensburg Masonic Temple, 111 ½ W. 6th Ave., Ellensburg, WA, except July, August and Federal holidays. Meetings begin at 7:00PM.

Illustrious Master: IC Ronald Graham (509) 607-2900 running2p@icloud.com

Recorder: C Patrick Stanton (509) 674-1335 highplainsdrifter@rocketmail.com

Arch No. 7:

Zabud Council No. 7

Meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month, but formally opens only the months of February, May and November at the Walla Walla Masonic Center, 607 E. Main St., Walla Walla, WA, except June, July and August. Stated meetings at 7:30PM.

Illustrious Master: IC Sean Scanlon (541) 303-3821 sscanlon68@gmail.com
Recorder: VIC Phillip Woodland (509) 529-3781 woodlandforest@charter.net

Zadok Council No. 23

Meets the 4th Wednesday of February, May, and August at the Richland Masonic Temple, 412 Thayer Dr., Richland, WA. Stated meetings at 7:30PM. On all other months it opens informally in association with Pasco Chapter No. 33 and Pasco Commandery No. 21. Dark in November and December. Dinner at 6:00PM when Official Visitation takes place.

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Arch No. 8:

Spokane Council No. 4

Meets the 4th Thursday except November and December at the Spokane Masonic Center, 506 W. 2nd Ave., Spokane, WA. Stated meetings begin at 7:00pm.

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District No. 1

Cowlitz Commandery No. 29

Meets the second Wednesday of March, June, September, and December at the Woodland-Kalama Masonic Center, 143 Davidson Ave., Woodland, WA. Dinner at 6:30PM. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM.

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District No. 2

Ivanhoe Commandery No. 4

Meets the 1st Monday of each month at 5405 S. Puget Sound Ave., Tacoma, WA. Potluck dinner at 6:30PM.

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De Molai Commandery No. 6

Meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Centralia Masonic Lodge, 218 N. Pearl St., Centralia, WA, except July and August. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM.

Eminent Commander:	SK Bartley Webster	(435) 619-3267	bartleyroewebster@gmail.com
Eminent Recorder:	SK John Vivian	(360) 280-0154	jbarv@hotmail.com

District No. 3

Seattle Commandery No. 2

Meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Seattle Scottish Rite Center, 1207 N. 152nd St., Shoreline, WA, except for June, July, August and December. Dinner at 6:30PM; stated meeting begins at 7:30PM.

Eminent Commander: SK Daniel Echo (562) 472-6567 daniel.c.echo@gmail.com Eminent Recorder: SK Ian Hyde (206) 356-5420 ockerseattle@hotmail.com

Rainier Commandery No. 28

Meets the 4th Thursday of each month at St. Andrews Masonic Center, 505 Williams Ave. S, Renton, WA, except for July, August, November and December. Potluck dinner at 6:30PM; stated meeting begins at 8:15PM.

Eminent Commander: SK Dale Collier (206) 818-5574 colliersconstruction1@gmail.com
Eminent Recorder: SK Geoffrey Joosten (206) 707-3256 geoffreyjoosten@comcast.net

District No. 4

Juan De Fuca Commandery No. 17

Meets the 3rd Tuesday of April, May and October at Franklin Lodge No. 5, 5 N. Rainier Ave., Port Gamble, WA. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM. Meets in conjunction with Angeles Chapter No. 38 and Juan de Fuca Commandery No. 17. Hosted dinners before Official Visits at 6:30PM, followed by stated meeting at 7:30PM. No meeting in July, August and December.

Eminent Commander: SK Clint Beyer (360) 374-9476 clintbeyer@olynet.com

Eminent Recorder: SK

Malta Commandery No. 18

Meets the 4th Monday of each month at the Bremerton Masonic Temple, 878 5th St., Bremerton, WA, except for July and August. Stated meeting begins at 8:00PM.

Eminent Commander: SK Jason Reeder (816) 668-7145 jason.d.reeder@gmail.com

Eminent Recorder: SK Scot Sageser (360) 228-9929 bremertonyorkrite1307@gmail.com

District No. 5

Hesperus Commandery No. 8

Meets the 1st Monday of each month at the Burlington United Masonic Center, 106 Warner St., Sedro Wooley, WA except for July and September (September meeting is held the last Monday of August due to Labor Day). Dinner at 6:30PM; stated meeting begins at 7:30PM.

Eminent Commander: SK Craig Bruner (360) 319-7163 craigwbruner@hotmail.com
Eminent Recorder: SK Thom Baughn (360) 676-0419 tbaughn1@comcast.net

District No. 6

Temple Commandery No. 5

Meets the 1st Thursday of each month at the Ellensburg Masonic Temple, 111 $\frac{1}{2}$ W 6th Ave., Ellensburg, WA, except July, August and Federal holidays. Stated meetings begin at 8:00PM (meeting will be at 7:30PM when OV is scheduled).

Eminent Commander: SK Shawn Clerf (971) 361-2129 clerfs1869@gmail.com

Eminent Recorder: SK Patrick Stanton (509) 859-2067 highplainsdrifter@rocketmail.com

District No. 7

Cataract Commandery No. 3

Meets 4th Thursday except November and December at the Spokane Masonic Center, 506 W. 2nd Ave., Spokane, WA. Stated meetings begin at 8:00pm.

Eminent Commander: SK Jon Lind (509) 936-9536 jlind118@gmail.com
Eminent Recorder: SK Fred Mark (509) 499-8932 Fsmark3@outlook.com

District No. 8

Washington Commandery No. 1

Meets the 2nd Wednesday of March, September and December at the Walla Walla Masonic Center, 607 E. Main St., Walla Walla, WA, except July and August. The June meeting will be held on the 4th Wednesday. Stated meetings begin at 7:30PM.

Eminent Commander: SK Anton M Lodmell (509) 525-6415 None

Eminent Recorder: SK Steven L. Kazda (509) 629-9103 skazda@pomeroy-wa.com

Pasco Commandery No. 21

Meets the 4th Wednesday of March, June, and September at the Richland Masonic Temple, 412 Thayer St., Richland, WA. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM. On all other months it opens informally in association with Zadok Council No. 23 and Pasco Chapter No. 33. Dark in November and December. Dinner at 6:00PM when Official Visitation takes place.

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Kamiakin York Rite College No. 28

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Kamiakin College meets in Spokane the 2nd Saturday in November and in Richland the 1st Saturday in May. The November meeting will commence at 10:00AM.

Rainier York Rite College No. 54

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Rainier College meets the 1st Saturday in November, February, and April at 10:00AM at Damascus Lodge No. 199 in Granite Falls.

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Tahoma College meets the 4th Saturday of February, April and October. Contact the Secretary for time and place



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October 26th: Stated meeting at Ellensburg Masonic Temple beginning at 1:00PM. There will be candidates to initiate.

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Pacific Council No. 30 Allied Masonic Degrees



VB James Scardelis Sovereign Master
Bro. Michael Palko-Dean Senior Warden
Bro. Jeff Steik Junior Warden
VB David A. Aponte Secretary/Treasurer

Bro. Anthony J. Annable Secretary/Treasure
Bro. John Yeager Junior Deacon
VB Alexander Jordan Chaplain
Bro. John Burrage Tyler

Desert Council No. 46 Allied Masonic Degrees

VB Philip Woodland
Mark Querio
Jim Endslow
Merle I. Iversen
Bobby Baxter
Gene Endslow
Senior Warden
Secretary
Senior Deacon
Junior Deacon
Junior Deacon
Sean Malara

Sean Malone Chaplain Michael Holland Tyler

Chinook Council No. 77 Allied Masonic Degrees

VB Thomas Lamb Sovereign Master
Bro. lan Hyde Senior Warden
Junior Warden

VB Richard M. Kovak Secretary/Treasurer
Bro. Richard Brzustowitz Senior Deacon
Bro. David Flood Junior Deacon
VB E. Jeffrey Craig Chaplain

Tyler

July 7th: Stated meeting at Damascus Lodge No. 199 in Granite Falls—begins at 2:00PM.

The Commemorative Order of St. Thomas of Acon



Tahoma Chapel No. 3

Rabi Peifer Worthy Master Anthony Annable Eminent Prior

Scot Sageser Marshal

Jeff Steik Deputy Marshal John Yeager Treasurer Alexander Jordan Secretary

xander Jordan Secretary James Nero Almoner

Michael R. Pursey 1st Working Knight

Jay White 2nd Working Knight
Michael A. Smitson
Joseph Einertson

Jay White 2nd Working Knight

4th Working Knight

Alan Spreen Herald

David Sandretto Doorkeeper

Cellarer Cellarer

Bobby Baxter Sentry

Next meeting scheduled for July 27th.

Cascade Chapel No. 20

Steven L. Dazey Worthy Master Lawrence Lance Eminent Prior

Marshal

Deputy Marshal

Richard M. Kovak Treasurer
Geoffrey Joosten Secretary
Almoner

1st Working Knight 2nd Working Knight 3rd Working Knight 4th Working Knight

Herald Doorkeeper Cellarer Cellarer Sentry

Clontarf Council No. 69 Knight Masons



Anthony Annable Excellent Chief Joseph Einertson Senior Knight Geoffrey Joosten Rabi Peifer, KCZ Scribe

Barron "Jay" White
David L. Sandretto
James Nero
Junior Warden

John Ridenour Director of Ceremonies
Patrick S. Stanton
Joseph McAlister
Jeffrey Steik
Priest
Steward
Sentinel

Ryan Winter Tyler

The fall stated meeting will take place on Saturday, October 12th, 2024 at the Cle Elum Masonic Center, 305 E. 1st St., Cle Elum, WA. Lunch at 12:00PM, meeting at 1:00PM.



Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests



Immaculate Tabernacle No. XXXIX

Jerry E. Whitney
Alan T. Spreen
John Hannaman
Richard Kovak
Ronald Graham
Ricardo Barrientes
Richard Roblee
David Sandretto
John Burrage
Geoffrey Joosten
David Aponte
Patrick Stanton
Preceptor
Deputy Preceptor

The summer picnic is coming up quickly. Please mark your calendars for July 13th at Mountain View Park, 1200 E. Seattle Ave. in Ellensburg.

October 26th: Annual meeting with degree, elections and installation of officers. Meeting starts at 10:00AM at the Ellensburg Masonic Temple.

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Salish Court No. 96

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Stated meeting scheduled for June 7th at Myrtle Lodge in Issaquah commencing at 7:00PM

RW Bro. Bryce Brent Hildreth, MStJ, KSM **Provincial Grand Master** VW Bro. Orville Armstrong, PSGW, KSM **Deputy Provincial Grand Master** RW Bro. Blaine H. Simmons **Assistant Provincial Grand Master** W & Em. Bro. Ballard Smith, PSGW **Provincial Eminent Grand Prior** W Bro. Stanton T. Brown II, PGSD, KSM **Provincial Senior Grand Warden Provincial Junior Grand Warden** VW Bro. James E. Winzenreid, PGSwdB, KSM W Bro. Donald L. McAndrews, PGJW, KSM **Provincial Grand Marshal** VW Bro. Russell E. Bridges, PGSwdB, KSM **Provincial Grand Treasurer** W Bro. J. David Cashion **Provincial Grand Secretary** RW Bro. Jarrod Adkisson **Provincial Grand Almoner** W Bro. Joseph W. MacIntyre, PGCoG **Provincial Deputy Grand Marshall** W Bro. Casey Lee Hood, PSGW **Provincial Senior Grand Deacon** W Bro. Lawrence E. Tucker, PSGD **Provincial Senior Grand Deacon Provincial Grand Organist** Bro. Ricky N. McCampbell W Bro. Aaron White, MStJ **Provincial Grand Sword Bearer** W Bro. Teko Foley, PSGW Burgh Joshua A. Bristol **Provincial Assistant Grand Secretary**

Washington Masonic Services (formerly Washington Masonic Charities)



The first priority listed in our mission at Washington Masonic Services (WAMS) is assisting Masons and other community members in need, focusing on aging in place and securing resources for critical essentials. We do this primarily through the work of our case managers, who are each Certified Senior Advisors (CSA). Earning the CSA certification requires individuals to pass a rigorous exam and to uphold the highest ethical standards for the benefit and protection of the health and welfare of seniors.

To maintain their certification, CSAs must complete ongoing continuing education requirements. In their work delivering our Outreach Services program, these professionals bring both their significant expertise and abundant compassion to bear on behalf of the Masonic Family and others needing critical services.

The CSA's paramount focus is to help their clients lead meaningful and dignified lives, providing peace of mind to both the senior and their loved ones. Their efforts involve activities like home safety assessments, finding care resources, streamlining finances, and connecting clients with volunteer and agency resources to help with independent living as well as skilled care. Depending on the situation, WAMS may be able to provide some charitable assistance for expenses like minor home repairs or modifications, or durable medical equipment.

Of just as much value, though, is the warmth and emotional support they provide during what are frequently very challenging days. One of our CSA's recently helped a Mason who reached out for support dealing with his wife's memory issues. Among other needs, the Brother's wife had started trying to leave their home both during the day and at night, causing him great concern. He had a lot on his plate. Our CSA worked with him to do an assessment of their situation. From that, she connected them with care-giving services so there wasn't so much for him to do each day, and suggested the installation of door alarms to help ensure her safety during the night and a timer for the oven to make sure it couldn't be turned on without proper supervision. Her actions brought safety, peace of mind, and a better night's sleep!

Our Outreach Services are here for Masons, their families, and other people in the community facing urgent, critical needs that can't be met through alternate resources. We're seeking to identify a WAMS Lodge Liaison to be each Lodge's dedicated representative, acting as a resource to help connect members to our programs, especially Outreach Services. Thank you to the Liaisons who've already volunteered for this important role. For more information, go to www.masonscare.org/lodge-liaison/.

We're looking forward to partnering with you to support the Masonic family and your communities throughout this year.

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