



Letters from District No. 10

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Summer comes the 21st

Stated Meeting Dates of the District Ten Lodges

Jun 15th Bellingham Bay - 7:30 pm
Jun 21st Whatcom Lodge - dinner at 5:30; meeting at 6:30 pm.
Jun 28th Lynden/Ferndale Int. Lodge 56 - 7 pm

100th Birthday Celebration......come and help celebrate the 100th Birthday of MW Wayne Deming set for Sunday, July 8th at the Bellingham Masonic Center on Maplewood, 2 to 5 PM. Please **RSVP** if you plan to attend: waynedemings100th@gmail.com

Whatcom Lodge Report

Special Communication: Our Thursday, May 3rd Special Communication was attended by 20 Whatcom Brothers. Lodge was opened by SW Ken Peck.

Program: Ken spoke on the issue of New Member petitions, backgrounding concerns and retention. There was good discussion and input from the brethren and it was noted that we use many of the elements of the Six Step Program but we can always improve our process.

Tuesday Luncheons: WB Ted Schuman announced that our next Tuesday lunch will be at a new location, the Rusty Wagon on Hannegan, north of the Pole Rd.

Youth groups: SS Thom Baughn gave his usual enthusiastic report on our Masonic Youth. WB Paul Brainard gave a special report on the DeMolay Conclave at the Great Wolf Resort, where the lads had a great time.

Stated Communication: The May 17th Stated meeting was attended by 16 Whatcom Brothers and 1 visitor, WB Dick Mhyre of Lynden-Ferndale Int. Lodge 56, who was given a warm Whatcom welcome.

Proficiency: Bro. Jerry Hill assisted by Bro. Bruce Smith and WB Ted Schuman completed his FC Proficiency. His MM Degree is planned for the Stated Communication on Thursday June 21st.

Financial business: Sec. Browne gave his normal finance report and also moved to allocate annual funds, 2nd by SS Thom Baughn, to assist our Officers attending the Annual Communication, The motion was approved.

Monthly luncheon: WB Ted Schuman reported that 11 attended the Tuesday May 15th lunch at the Rusty Wagon. The event was a success and plans are for the June 19th lunch to be there too.

June 7th Special: There will be no lodge opened for our Spl. Communication on June 7th due to the 161st Annual Communication which starts on June 8th. Instead several brothers will meet at the Hall to play cards. Check with Thom Baughn or Ted Schuman if you are interested in joining the activity.

Next Stated Communications: Thursday, June 21st is our next Stated Communication. Dinner is at 5:30 pm and Lodge opens at 6:30 pm.

Fraternally, John Browne, Secretary ... **Contact info is at bottom right corner, page 4**
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Up-coming Events

Bellingham Bay 44... On Friday June 1st. BB#44 hosts a presentation for Master Masons of a video made by VW Winton Smith of the MM Degree lecture as spoken by WB Ernest Borgnine. Dinner is at 6:30 pro gram at 7:30.

NWSC is Dark during the Summer months.

Masonic Monthly Luncheon.... Tuesday, June 19th 12 noon at the **Rusty Wagon**, on Hannegan, just north of the Pole Rd. This is an open event, perfect to bring friends interested in the Craft to chat with real live Masons in the wild.

Whatcom Camping....our annual camping trip to the Masonic Park is July 19th thru the 22nd. See page 3 for details.

June 15th is the cut-off date

Dark in July...Lynden-Ferndale Int. Lodge 56 is **Dark** in July. In

NWSC & Bellingham Bells....on Sun. July 22nd the NWSC is sponsoring a Masonic Night at a Bellingham Bells Baseball game. Time First pitch at 3 PM

18th Annual OES Golf Tourney ... Aug 3rd. Registration & fees due by July 28th.

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Notes from Lynden-Ferndale Lodge No. 56

June 28th Stated Meeting 7:00 PM

Greetings Lynden Brethren:

Masonic Memorial Day ceremony at the Lynden Cemetery

The founding fathers of Lynden established the Lynden Cemetery in 1889. The organizers of Lynden Lodge No. 56 were composed of many of these founding fathers. The cemetery was located about a mile from downtown Lynden on Cemetery Road prior to the time Front Street was extended to Guide Meridian. For the past ten years there had been a Memorial Day ceremony at the Lynden Cemetery to remember those Masons who are interred in both the Lynden and Greenwood cemeteries. As the name of each Mason is read, the chime is rung.

This year the memorial ceremony will be held on Memorial Day, Monday, May 28th at 6:30 AM. The entire ceremony takes only about 15 minutes. Please make a special effort to join us that morning for this remembrance.

Educators of the Year The District Superintendent of Schools in the Blaine, Ferndale, Lynden, Meridian and Nooksack Valley School Districts each have selected a deserving educator to receive a \$500 award. Presentations to the educators already have been made at the May meetings of the Board of School Directors of the Nooksack, Meridian and Lynden school districts. Without exception, the directors have been very gracious and effusive in their praise of the Lodge for recognizing the educators. The last two presentations to Blaine and Ferndale educators will take place on May 29th.

Scholarships \$1,000 scholarships to senior scholars in the Blaine and Ferndale school districts already have been presented in May. Upcoming award ceremonies in early June for scholars in the Meridian, Nooksack Valley and Lynden school districts will take place.

June stated communication The By-laws of LFIL state that the June stated communication shall take place on the 4th Thursday instead of the 2nd Thursday. This By-law was adopted several years ago to avoid any conflict with the Grand Lodge Annual Communication. The Lodge will be tiled at 7:00 PM on Thursday, June 28th.

Election of officers The election of officers for the 2018/2019 fiscal year will take place at the August stated communication.

Hands Across the Border - 2018 Fall

Very soon, the two honorees, Deputy Grand Master James Kendall and Deputy Grand Master Barry Burch will become Grand Masters of their respective jurisdictions. They have selected Saturday, November 3rd, as the date for the Hands Across the Border gala dinner show. Wives and other guests are most welcome. Please mark this date on your calendar.

WB Dick Decima,
Secretary....Ph. 392-0145

Here is what ***Bellingham Bay*** has going on.

Friday June 1st Special Communication:

Friday June 15^h Stated Communication:

Companions;

This is the link to the web Grand Council web site: www.wayorkrite.org/gcrsm.

V/R Doug Jerome
Recorder

Maple Leaf Chapter OES

The main event for Star is our Grand Chapter session June 25 - 27th. This will be the last session to be held in the Sun Dome in Yakima as we will begin meeting in the Convention Center in Wenatchee beginning in 2019. Also, the chapter will be having a potluck picnic on the afternoon of July 22 at Gloria VanMoorhem's home at Sandy Point.

Thanks, Bev

NORTHWEST SHRINE CLUB NEWS

We are dark for the summer months. However we have been and will continue to be active over the summer. In April Jeckyl/Hyde Restaurant hosted a Car Show and the members of the Shrine Club assisted with the judging of the vehicles. Bill Barquist brought his Surrey and allowed people to take it for a ride. The owner of Jeckyl/Hyde restaurant Richard Van Dommelen donated \$500 to the Shriners Childrens Hospitals for our assistance in helping with the Car Show.

In May we were in the "new" Blossom Time Parade. The Nile Temple from Seattle was present and the Shrine Club had 2 small trucks driven by Gerrit Kuiken and Tim Springstead, and of course Bill Barquist brought his Surrey and he and Greg Cory peddled it through the parade. After the parade we hosted the Nile Temple with a brunch at the Jeckyl/Hyde Restaurant.

In July we will be present at the Bellingham Bells baseball game for the all Masonic day at the Baseball Field. In August the doctors from the Shrine Hospital in Portland will come to Bellingham to treat the children in need that are in this area. The Shrine Club will assist by providing refreshments for the parents as they wait. If you are a Master Mason and are interested in the Shriners, please contact club president, Greg Cory (360)734-7099 or Secretary/Treasurer Gerrit Kuiken (360) 354-1677

Greg Cory *President* – Northwest Shrine Club

Whatcom Lunch Bunch in June!

Brethren, mark your calendars for Tuesday, June 19th at noon, when the Lunch Bunch will gather at a new location; the **Rusty Wagon**. The address is 6937 Hannegan, just North of Pole Rd. They have a great menu (serving both breakfast and lunch) and excellent food at reasonable prices. **This informal gathering of brethren is open to all lodges in Whatcom County**, as well as to prospective members you think might enjoy meeting with this rowdy bunch.

To learn to subdue my passions and improve myself in Masonry



Your beliefs don't make you a better person: your *BEHAVIOR* does...



WHATCOM LODGE IS CAMPING AGAIN !!!

On July 19-22 we will be camping at the Masonic Family Campground in Granite Falls. We will have a clubhouse and ten sites for our exclusive use; each site will have water and power only. A disposal station is available as you leave the park.

Maximum cost per nite is about \$33.00, but could be less depending on how many campsites we finally confirm. Any type of camping equipment is welcome; tents, trailers, RVs – whatever!

This event is open to members of Whatcom Lodge, other lodges in our district and any Masonic youth group meeting at the West Maplewood Masonic Center.

Plan now to attend this wonderful activity; this will be our fourth year and those who have attended before will tell you it was a blast!!

I must have your confirmation NO LATER THAN JUNE 15 in order to hold a campsite for you and your family. A check, payable to me for \$33.00 will reserve a spot; actual campsite assignments will be made upon arrival and will depend upon the size and nature of your equipment.

DON'T WAIT – SEVERAL OF THE SITES ARE ALREADY SPOKEN FOR, BUT WE CAN GET MORE IF NEEDED !!

Questions?? Call Ted Schuman at **(818) 425-1611**

Want to mail your check? Send it to: **Ted Schuman, 3313 Heights Drive, Bellingham, WA 98226**

Please make your check for \$33.00 payable to: Ted Schuman



BMC = Bellingham Masonic Center on W. Maplewood ;
 FMC = Ferndale Masonic Center;

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	29	30	31	1 BB # 44 - stated 7:30 pm.	2 <i>Farmer's Day Parade (Lynden)</i>
3	4 Hesperus Com-mandery No. 8 - 7:30	5 ML-OES # 58 (BMC) 7:30 p	6 V of B Scottish Rite: Dinner at 6:30 pm & Stated Mtg at 7:30 pm	7 W #151 - Special Dinner at 5:30 pm. Lodge opens at 6:30pm.	8	9 <i>Deming Log Show</i>
10 <i>Deming Log Show</i>	11 Bellingham Council No.16 R&SM - 7:30 p F-OES # 223 7:30 p. (FMC)	12 Bethel # 25 at 6:25 pm	13 V of B Scottish Rite: Education Night at 7 pm Chuckanut Chapter DeMolay 7:30 pm	14 L # 56 Stated, 7:00 pm Evergreen RB # 17 7 p. (BMC) <i>Flag Day</i>	15 BB 44 Spl Comm 7:30 p. (SRH)	16
17 <i>Father's Day</i>	18 Bellingham Chp Royal Arch - 7:30 p.	19 ML-OES # 58 7:30 p. (BMC)	20 V of B Scottish Rite: Education Night at 7 pm	21 W 151 - stated dinner at 5:30 lodge opens 6:30 pm. A MM Degree is planned. <i>Summer Solstice</i>	22	23 Bethel #25 at 6:25 pm
24	25 F-OES # 223 7:30 p. (FMC)	26 Bellingham Temple Association meeting 7:30 PM	27 Chuckanut Chapter DeMolay 7:30 pm	28 L # 56 special meeting 7:00 pm Evergreen RB # 17 7 p. (BMC)	29	30

Widows & Orphans Fund for District No. 1

If you would like to know more about the W & O Fund contact one of the officers listed below.

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