



# Letters from District No. 10

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## Time to Give Thanks!

### Whatcom Lodge Report

**Special Communication:** Our Thurs. Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> meeting was attended by 24 Whatcom Brothers.

**Degree:** The EA Degree for Mr. Jerry Hill was conferred by JW Ken Peck. SD was WB Thom Baughn. The *Apron Lecture* was given by WM Paul Brainard and the *Working Tools* by VW Don Higginson. The *Master's Lecture* was presented by John Brown & John Browne. The *Charge* was given by John Brown. After the degree our new Brother Jerry Hill was placed West of the Altar where the Brethren congratulated him.

**Installation of Officers:** On Saturday, Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> we held our 111<sup>th</sup> Installation of Officers. There were some 50 Masons and guests in attendance. The ceremony was preceded by a catered dinner with music. Chuckanut Chapter DeMolay presented the Colors and Girls from Evergreen Assembly #17 escorted the candidates when announced. WB Craig Bruner is now the Worshipful Master of Whatcom Lodge #151.

**Stated Communication:** The October 19<sup>th</sup> Stated meeting attended to the normal lodge bills and business.

**Petition for Affiliation:** The petition for affiliation from WB Dave Sarna was balloted on and found to be *Fair, Clear* and *Bright*. He is now the newest member of Whatcom Lodge and was heartily congratulated.

**Feast of St. John the Evangelist:** Again this year the December 27<sup>th</sup> Feast of St. John the Evangelist will be hosted at Giuseppe's Al Porto Ristorante. The dinner choices will be sent out in an email attachment and also posted to our lodge Website. To attend one must RSVP to SW Ken Peck *email:* kenwpeck@gmail.com or *ph.* 360-820-4752

**Passing of WB Bill Hall:** It is with a very heavy heart I have to report the passing of WB William "Bill" Hall. Who departed for the Celestial Lodge on 10/26/2017. The date for a Masonic Service has not yet been set but it's expected to be later in November. It will be posted on our lodge Webpage and an email announcement will be sent out.

Don't forget to join Evergreen Assembly #17 IORG for Thanksgiving Dinner at 2 pm on Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>. RSVP to Renae Cory see page 3.

**Next Special Communication:** is on November the 2<sup>nd</sup>. The next Stated Communication will be on Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. For both meetings 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**

### Stated Meeting Dates of the District Ten Lodges

Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> Bellingham Bay - 7:30 pm  
Nov 9<sup>th</sup> Lynden Int. Lodge - 7 pm  
Nov 16<sup>th</sup> Whatcom Lodge - dinner at 5:30; meeting at 6:30 pm.



### Up-coming Events

**75<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary...** On Tuesday November 14<sup>th</sup> from 2 to 4 pm at the Orchard Park Assisted Living (844 W. Orchard Dr. Bellingham)...in the fire-place room, WB Gordon & Dorothy Grahame will be celebrating their 75<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary. No gifts please, cards are all right.

**Craft Fair...** Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. Hosted by Evergreen Assembly #17. Details to be announced next issue.

**Evergreen Thanksgiving...** Sun. Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>, Begins at 2:pm. **RSVP** to Renae Cory at *email:* Evergreen17ma@gmail.com, for more details see....page 3

**Open Installation of Officers...** Bellingham Bay Lodge will host an Open Installation of Officer at their **December 15<sup>th</sup>** Special Communication. They are planning for a Grand Lodge Installation Team to perform the ceremony so mark your calendar for this festive event. There will be a dinner so stay tuned for more details in the December Issue of the newsletter.

**Feast of St. John the Evangelist 2017 ...** Whatcom Lodge will host it's 2017 celebration of the Feast of St. John the Evangelist on December 27<sup>th</sup> at Giuseppe's Al Porto Ristorante. The social period begins at 6 pm and dinner will be served at 6:30 pm. RSVP to SW Ken Peck at *email:* kenwpeck@gmail.com

## Notes from Lynden Lodge No. 56

Nov 9<sup>th</sup>

Stated Communication

7:00 PM

Greetings Lynden Brethren:

### Due notice regarding change in the name of the Lodge

At the stated communication on October 12<sup>th</sup> it was proposed in writing that the By-laws should be amended to change the name of the Lodge from Lynden International Lodge No. 56 to Lynden/Ferndale International Lodge No. 56. This proposal was tabled until the November 9<sup>th</sup> stated communication so that due notice could be given to the members of the Lodge.

### Ferndale Masonic Temple Association

With the consolidation of the memberships of the Lynden & Ferndale Lodges, it became necessary to reorganize the Board of Trustees for the Ferndale Masonic Temple Association. The By-laws of the FMTA provide that the three executive officers of the Lodge shall be trustees but they may not hold an office. There are a total of nine trustees including four from the former members of Ferndale Lodge No. 264.

### Hands Across the Border - 2018 Spring

A date has been selected by the Deputy Grand Masters for 2018 Spring Hands Across the Border event. The date is Thursday, April 12, 2018. We will honor RWB Barry Burch, Deputy Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of A. F. & A.M. of British Columbia & Yukon, and RWB James Kendall, Deputy Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of F. & A.M. of Washington. The social period will begin at 5:00; dinner will be served at 5:30 and the Lodge will be tyled at 7:00. Masons are most welcome! Please put this date on your calendar.

WB Dick Decima,

Secretary Ph. 392-0145 or by Email: [rhdecima@aol.com](mailto:rhdecima@aol.com)

## 75<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Celebration

WB Gordon and Dorothy Grahame will be celebrating their 75<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> from 2 to 4 pm at Orchard Park Assisted Living (844 W Orchard Drive, Bellingham)...in the fireplace room. Gordon called to tell me about it in the hope that I would share the information. He asked that there be no gifts, but I'm sure they'd enjoy cards. Please share with your members as they have been active in the Masonic community for so many years!

Here is what **Bellingham Bay**

has going on.

**Friday November 3<sup>rd</sup> Stated:** This will be a *Step-Up Night*. We will hear from the Investigation Committee and ballot on a Petition for Affiliation. Soc. Hr. at 6 pm and dinner at 6:30 pm.

**Friday November 17<sup>th</sup> Special:** At the November special we host our annual Thanksgiving Dinner. Soc. Hr at 6 & dinner at 6:30 pm., please **RSVP** to our newly elected JW Dick Zagelow at **360-223-7045** or email: [dickzagelow@hotmail.com](mailto:dickzagelow@hotmail.com). Also at the Thanksgiving dinner we have scholarship and longevity awards to present.

Open Installation of Officers will take place at our **December 15<sup>th</sup> Special Communication**. We plan for a Grand Lodge Installation Team so mark your calendar for this festive event.

WB Arne Hansen

Master, Bellingham Bay No. 44

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### District #10 Meeting

This year's District Meeting will be at 10am, the morning of Saturday January 13<sup>th</sup>. ALL Masons and members of ALL Concordant Bodies are invited. Join our Grand Master, MWB Warren Schoeben as he fills us in on the activities at Grand Lodge, and engages District #10 Members in an open question/answer session. Lodge Awards will be presented. Leaders of Concordant Bodies will be invited to update us on their work, and give us a short commercial for recruiting purposes. You'll hear a brief report on the "State of the District" from the District Deputy. Meeting will cap off with a short picture show presentation of the Home/Museum/Graves sights of our two Masonic Grand Master U.S. Presidents, MWB Andrew Jackson and MWB Harry S. Truman, past Grand Masters of Tennessee and Missouri. Meeting will begin with Brunch, cooked up and served by the Evergreen Assembly #17 Rainbow Girls. Cost of admission will be \$15. Proceeds will cover cost of preparation, and "profits" will be split between the Rainbow Girls and the Grand Master's charity. Please RSVP to [tvgoertz@msn.com](mailto:tvgoertz@msn.com) See you there!

VWB Terrell Goertz

DD to the GM for Dist #10

## Evergreen Assembly IORG #17

### November:

**Saturday**, 18<sup>th</sup> there will be a craft fair at the hall hosted by the girls. If you know of anyone that crafts or has a home based business please let Mother adviser Renae know!

Renae Cory



### From Master of Whatcom Lodge No. 151

I wanted to thank those in attendance at the 2017-2018 Whatcom 151 Installation of Officers. Performing an open Installation gave us an opportunity to offer a glimpse into the roles of each Officer and foster stronger connections with our Masonic families.

Our DeMolay Color Guards' presentation of our countries' flag, graced the opening ceremony. Followed closely by our Rainbow Girls, escorting the officers to be installed. Our Whatcom Brothers did an outstanding job installing their officers. Brother Dave Nelson graced us with a fine solo, accompanied by his wife Pat playing the piano beautifully.

Our officers dedication and desire for the promotion of Freemasonry is motivating us to work with Brethren from Bellingham Bay, Lynden International, Rainbow Girls, Job's Daughters and DeMolay to mutually help each other identify and achieve our goals.

I want to thank ALL PAST MASTERS, OFFICERS AND BROTHERS who have worked hard to provide a robust Lodge able to continue the work of Freemasonry into the future. Thank You All for your support!

If you have not sat in Lodge for a while we hope you will very soon! We meet the first and third Thursdays of each month with dinner at 5:30. We look forward to seeing you soon! Also, check out our lodge Web site at [www.WhatcomMasonicLodge.org](http://www.WhatcomMasonicLodge.org). Oh, if you need to contact the Lodge our Secretaries' contact information is on page 4 in the lower right hand corner.

Sincerely,

*Craig Bruner*

Worshipful Master Whatcom Lodge 151

## NWSC

The **NORTHWEST SHINE CLUB** would like to invite any/all members of your lodge to a dinner hosted by the Northwest Shrine Club.

We would like Master Masons who are interested in becoming a shriner to come and find out who we are and what we do for children.

All of our meetings are dinner meetings and our next meeting is scheduled for November 7<sup>th</sup>. We meet at the Jeckyl/Hyde Restaurant 709 Orchard Place. Off the guide meridian close to the country club. We have Zem Zem (social hour) at 6:00 p.m. and dinner at 7:00 p.m. Because it is November we will be having a nice turkey dinner.

There will be NO COST to any Master Mason of your lodge that would like to attend. We have a nice social hour, followed by a wonderful dinner, a short program about the Shriners and at the end of the evening we have a door prize drawing.

However - - - we need to know No Later Than November 2<sup>nd</sup> how many people will be attending. The restaurant needs to know how many means to prepare.

Have your members contact either of the following people to let them know they will be attending: Shrine Club President Greg Cory (360)734-7099 or Shrine Club Sec-

## *Giving Thanks*

Please Join Evergreen Assembly for

## *Thanksgiving Dinner*

Sunday, November, 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017

2:00 PM

Bellingham Masonic Center  
2626 West Maplewood Ave., Bellingham, WA

**RSVP** to

Renae Cory

[Evergreen17ma@gmail.com](mailto:Evergreen17ma@gmail.com)

***Dessert auction to follow***



BMC = Bellingham Masonic Center on W. Maplewood ; FMC = Ferndale Masonic Center;  
 FHMC = Friday Harbor Masonic Center; NMC = Nooksack Masonic Center; SRH = Scottish Rite Hall

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	31	1 V of B Scottish Rite: Dinner at 6:30 pm & Stated Mtg at 7:30 pm	2 W #151 - Special Dinner at 5:30 pm. Lodge opens at 6:30pm.	3 BB # 44 - stated Soc. 6 pm, dinner at 6:30 pm.	4
5 <i>Daylight Savings Time Ends</i>	6 Hesperus Com-mandery No. 8 - 7:30	7 ML-OES # 58 (BMC) 7:30 p  <i>Election Day</i>	8 V of B Scottish Rite: Education Night at 7 pm Chuckanut Chapter DeMolay 7:30 pm	9 L # 56 Stated, 7:00 pm Evergreen RB # 17 7 p. (BMC)	10	11  <i>Veteran's Day</i>
12	13 Bellingham Council No.16 R&SM - 7:30 p	14 75 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary WB Gordon & Dorothy Graham see page 2 for details! Bethel # 25 at 6:25 pm	15 V of B Scottish Rite: Education Night at 7 pm	16 W 151 - stated dinner at 5:30 lodge opens 6:30 pm.	17 BB 44 hosts its Thanksgiving Dinner. <i>RSVP</i> required, see page 2 for details	18
19 Rainbow Thanksgiving see page 3 for details.	20 Bellingham Chp Royal Arch - 7:30 p. F-OES # 223 7:30 p. (FMC)	21 ML-OES # 58 7:30 p. (BMC)	22 Chuckanut Chap-ter DeMolay 7:30 pm	23 L # 56 <i>No special</i>  <i>Thanksgiving Day</i>	24	25 Bethel #25 at 6:25 pm
26	27	28 Bellingham Temple Association meeting 7:30 PM	29	30	1	2

**Widows & Orphans Fund  
for District No. 10**

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

at

WB Jesse Petersen at 360-319-5556,

or you may contact your Lodge Secretary or your Worshipful Master.

*Fraternally,*

**President, Jesse Petersen - Vice President**



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