



# Letters from District No. 10

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## Whatcom Lodge Report

**Special Communication:** The Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> Special was attended by 17 Whatcom Brothers, 2 visitors and 2 guests.

**Moment of Silence:** WM Craig Bruner called for a moment of silence in honor of JW John Brown whose mother recently passed away.

**Masonic program:** WB Mark Quenneville gave a presentation on his time spent working for Paul Allen on a deep diving research submarine. The presentation was multimedia and very interesting.

**Stated Communication:** The Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> Stated meeting was attended by 15 Whatcom Brothers and 3 guests.

**Program:** Lodge was called off-session so three guests could view with us the Masonic DVD on Cleopatra's Needle, an obelisk dating back to some 2,000 years B.C.E. This obelisk was presented to the United States by Egypt in about 1880 and brought to New York City and set up in Central Park.

**Masonic Youth:** WB Thom Baughn gave report on the activities of our Masonic Youth.

**Hiram Award:** WM Craig Bruner asked SD Terrell Goertz to conduct WB John Brown to the East. WM Bruner noted that over the last several years WB Brown has worked hard for our lodge and served in the kitchens and put on many fine meals. In appreciation for WB Brown's devotion to our Lodge W M Bruner presented the Hiram Award to WB John Brown. Sec'y John Browne had the honor of putting the Hiram pin, from the Grand Jurisdiction of Washington on WB Brown's lapel.

**Petition:** A Petition for Plural Membership from WB Barry Podwin

**Masonic Lunch:** We had a good attendance at the August 21<sup>st</sup> luncheon and two men interested in Masonry joined us for conversation. The next monthly luncheon is on Tuesday, Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>, at the Rusty Wagon.

**Installation:** The Open Installation of Officers will be on Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup>. A social period will begin at 5:30 with dinner served at 6:30 pm. **RSVP** for dinner please to Ken Peck ([kenwpeck@gmail.com](mailto:kenwpeck@gmail.com) -- 360-332-6363) or sec'y John Browne ([jbrowne.brf@gmail.com](mailto:jbrowne.brf@gmail.com)).

**Next Special Communication:** is on Thursday Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>. The next Stated Communication will be on Thursday, Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>. For both meetings Dinner is at 5:30 pm and Lodge opens at 6:30 pm.

**Website:** a quick note to let you all know that our Lodge homepage has been receiving notice and several men have asked for information on becoming Masons. We have of course responded to them.

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

## Stated Meeting Dates of the District Ten Lodges

- Oct 7<sup>th</sup> Bellingham Bay - dinner at 6:30; meeting at 7:30 pm.
- Oct 11<sup>th</sup> Lynden/Ferndale Int. Lodge 7 pm.
- Oct 18<sup>th</sup> Whatcom Lodge - dinner at 5:30; meeting at 6:30 pm.

## Up-coming Events

**October 4 NWSC....** Our next dinner meeting is on October 2<sup>nd</sup> – at the Jekyll/Hyde Restaurant. Zem Zem at 6:00 p.m. and Dinner at 7:00 p.m.

**Whatcom Open Installation...** set for Sat. October 13<sup>th</sup>...soc. at 5:30, dinner at 6:30 and ceremony at 7:30 pm **RSVP** to Sec'y John Browne for dinner.

**Widows & Orphans Fund...** will hold it's annual meeting at 7 pm on Tuesday October 16<sup>th</sup> at the Scottish Rite Hall.

**Masonic Monthly Luncheon....** Tuesday, October 16<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Hands Across the Border...** set for Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> see Lynden-Ferndale article...details.



**Whatcom Brothers....** For those seeking a ride to lodge be advised that Brother Jerry Hill is our Transportation Coordinator and is there to find a ride to Lodge for those that need it.

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## Notes from Lynden Lodge No. 56

Oct 11 <sup>th</sup>	Stated Meeting	7 PM
Oct 25 <sup>th</sup>	Special Meeting	7 PM

Greetings Lynden Brethren:

**New Mason:** Bro. Joel Robinson was initiated as a member of the craft on Thursday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at a Special Communication. Kudos to the degree team from Whatcom Lodge No. 151, under the leadership of WB Craig Brunner, who did a really great job every step of the way! Refreshments were served after the degree by the Ferndale Eastern Star. A hearty welcome to this newest brother!

**Installation of Officers** The closed installation of WB Troy Luginbill for his second year in the East, along with his retinue of officers, will be on Saturday, October 20, 2018 at 1:00 pm. Masons, please join us.

### **Hands Across the Border - 2018 Fall**

The two honorees at the gala dinner show on Saturday November 3<sup>rd</sup>, will be Grand Master James Kendall, F. & A. M. of Washington, and Grand Master Barry Burch, A. F. & A.M. of B.C. & Yukon. The social period begins at 5:30 pm, dinner at 6:00 pm; the show at 7:15 pm. We will be entertained this year by guitarist/vocalist Bro. Dillon Smith. He was one of the finalists in the 2018 Scottish Rite Has Talent competition in the Southern Jurisdiction. You may choose from prime rib or salmon for your entrée. Wives and other guests are most welcome. Please make your reservations early.

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

## Assembly 17 IORG

Hello Masonic Family and Happy Fall! Evergreen Rainbow Assembly has some great things coming up in the next few months! Please feel to join us for any of our activities!

**September 29<sup>th</sup>** our girls will be painting figurines at Creative-Tea in Fairhaven.

**October 11<sup>th</sup>** is our next stated meeting and we will be balloting on petitions. (7pm)

**October 13<sup>th</sup>** the ladies will be serving dinner for Whatcom 151's Installation and escorting the officers.

**October 20<sup>th</sup>** is a fun new member night with a movie and coffee! (*Caffeine is vitally important in this process.*)

**November 8<sup>th</sup>** is our regular meeting at 7pm.

**November 10<sup>th</sup>** is a Bazaar and Craft Fair. This is a fundraiser for the assembly. We are still looking for vendors as well as people to shop. It starts at 9am and goes to 4pm. *Becca's Fresh Eats* will have food available as well as beverages.

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**November 17<sup>th</sup>** is an ***EXTREMELY*** important event for you to attend. Evergreen wants to say thank you to our supporters with a Thanksgiving Dinner for you! Dinner is our gift to you. We will have a Dessert Dash at the end of dinner so make sure you are good and hungry!

As always, if you know any girl from 9 to 20 who would love to make lifetime friendships, gain leadership skills, and improve their self confidence; bring them to a Rainbow event!

Our Facebook page is

<https://www.facebook.com/Evergreen17IORG/>

We look forward to seeing you at our activities. Please email Mother Advisor Renae Cory ([evergreen17ma@gmail.com](mailto:evergreen17ma@gmail.com)) with any questions!

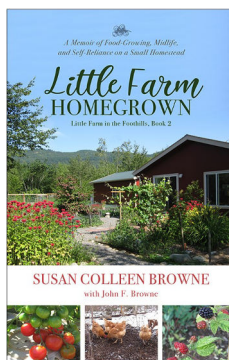
Rainbow Love, The members of Evergreen Assembly #17

VWB John Browne announces a new Little Farm book!

## Little Farm Homegrown A Memoir of Food-Growing, Midlife, and Self-Reliance on a Small Homestead

Little Farm in the Foothills series, Book 2

By Susan Colleen Browne and John F. Browne



In this sequel to the award-winning memoir, *Little Farm in the Foothills*, *Little Farm Homegrown* follows Whatcom County homesteaders Susan and her husband John coping with the demands of their middle years while raising chickens, creating a self-sufficient lifestyle, and living closer to—and often battling—nature.

Like the first Little Farm memoir, *Little Farm Homegrown* is a warm-hearted tale for gardeners, nature-lovers, and dreamers of all ages!

Now available at all Whatcom County Library branches and Village Books in Bellingham...you can also request *Little Farm Homegrown* at your local library. You'll find the ebook at your favorite online retailer too!

For a signed copy (\$14.00), please contact John at  
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## Deputy of the Grand Master

**What:** District 10 Meeting

**Where:** Scottish Rite Temple - Parking is available on the street, Industrial Credit Union and parking lot between Scottish Rite Temple and Bellingham Herald building (accessible from alley behind Temple)

**When:** Saturday, November 3, 2018

**Time:** 10:00-1:00

**Cost:** \$10-\$15 donation suggested

**Menu:** Breakfast/Brunch (Scrambled eggs, potatoes, bacon, sausage, toast, fruit plate)

It has been the agreement of the 3 Lodges in District 10 to cover the cost of the meal for the District Meeting in hopes of taking the financial burden off of the individual brothers and hopefully increasing attendance and creating a positive and relaxed atmosphere.

A \$10.00-\$15.00 donation will be gladly accepted to those brothers who would wish to donate. 50% of your donations will be given to the Grand Master as a gift from District 10 to go toward his charity for this year which is Honor Flight. The other 50% will be split 3 ways between the youth groups of District 10 (Jobs Daughters, Rainbow Assembly, and DeMolay for Boys).

This will be an open meeting and wives, girlfriends, and significant others are welcome to attend (please not at the same time as I will be too busy to referee).

I ask that RSVP's be in no later than Monday, October 29 so I can supply accurate numbers to the caterer. Please reply with **RSVP (including how many)** to Jesse Petersen at:

360-684-1941 or email me at [mm.whatcom151@gmail.com](mailto:mm.whatcom151@gmail.com).

Thank you,

Jesse Petersen

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## Observations on Masonic Themes

Actions prove who someone is.

Words just prove who they pretend to be.

## FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK OF BELLINGHAM VALLEY SCOTTISH RITE

Brothers,

As many of you know, the Bellingham Valley Scottish Rite is in the process of amending the By-Laws to move the Stated Communication from the first Wednesday of each month @ 7:30 pm to the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm.

The By-Laws have been amended and are in the process of being approved by SGIG Illustrious Brother Al Jorgensen. As it stands right now, the By-Laws have NOT been ratified and we are still running on the same meeting schedule. Thank you for your patience as work to improve the Scottish Rite Valley of Bellingham.

As a recap:

October Stated Communication:

**When:** October 3, 2018

**Time:** 7:30 pm - Dinner: 6:30 pm

If you have any questions, concerns or comments, please feel free to drop me a line at.....

[secretary@scottish-rite.com](mailto:secretary@scottish-rite.com)

or give me a call at....

**360-684-1941**

Fraternally,

Jesse Petersen

Secretary - Bellingham Valley Scottish Rite



## NORTHWEST SHRINE CLUB

Our next dinner meeting is on October 2<sup>nd</sup> – at the Jeckly/Hyde Restaurant. Zem Zem at 6:00 p.m. and Dinner at 7:00 p.m. We have one new member joining the Shrine Club and his Cold Sands Initiation will be at our dinner meeting in October.

All are welcome to attend one of our dinner meeting and bring your spouse, we have wonderful dinner, short program, and a raffle for donated prizes. A good time will be had by all.

Contact club president Greg Cory (360)734-7099 or Club Secretary Gerrit Kuiken (360) 354-1677 if you want more information or plan on attending one of our dinner meetings.

**Submitted by:** Greg Cory, President,  
Northwest Shrine Club

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
<b>30</b>	<b>1</b> Hesperus Com-mandery No. 8 - 7:30	<b>2</b> ML-OES # 58 (BMC) 7:30 p  NWSC Dinner @ 7 p	<b>3</b> V of B Scottish Rite: Dinner at 6:30 pm & Stated Mtg at 7:30 pm	<b>4</b> W #151 - Special Dinner at 5:30 pm. Lodge opens at 6:30pm.	<b>5</b> BB # 44 - stated Dinner at 6:30 pm. Lodge opens at 7:30pm	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Bellingham Council No.16 R&SM - 7:30 p  F-OES # 223 7:30 p. (FMC)  <i>Thanksgiving Day</i> (Canada) <i>Columbus Day</i>	<b>9</b> Bethel # 25	<b>10</b> V of B Scottish Rite: Education Night at 7 pm  Chuckanut Chapter DeMolay 7:30 pm	<b>11</b> L # 56 Stated, 7:00 pm  Evergreen RB # 17 7 p. (BMC)	<b>12</b> .	<b>13</b> Whatcom 151 Open Installation of Officers. See page 1 for details
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Bellingham Chp Royal Arch - 7:30 p.	<b>16</b> Masonic Lunch at Rusty Wagon noon.  Widows & Orphans mtg at 7 pm, <i>see pg 1 Coming Events</i>  ML-OES # 58 7:30 p. (BMC)	<b>17</b> V of B Scottish Rite: Education Night at 7 pm	<b>18</b> W 151 - stated dinner at 5:30 lodge opens 6:30 pm.	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Lynden-Ferndale Int. #56 <b>Closed</b> Installation of Officers—1 pm All Masons welcome.
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> F-OES # 223 7:30 p. (FMC)	<b>23</b> Bellingham Temple Association meeting 7:30 PM	<b>24</b> Chuckanut Chap-ter DeMolay 7:30 pm	<b>25</b> L # 56 special meeting 7:00 pm  Evergreen RB # 17 7 p. (BMC)	<b>26</b> BB 44 Spl Comm. Dinner at 6:30 pm. Lodge opens at 7:30pm.	<b>27</b> Bethel #25
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>  <i>Halloween</i> <i>All Hallows' Eve</i>	<b>1</b>  <i>All Saints Day</i>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>

**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.

Bro. Ken Peck - *Secretary/Treasurer*

*Phone: 360-820-4752,*

*Email: sectreaswof@gmail.com*

WB John Brown - *President,*

WB Jesse Petersen - *Vice President*

**360-319-5556**

**Annual meeting set for Tuesday, Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm  
at the Scottish Rite Hall**



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To contribute to this newsletter please send your letter, comment, historical fact, poem or calendar announcement, by the 20<sup>th</sup> day of each month, to:

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