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THE RITE BULLETIN

MERRY CHRISTMAS



From the Personal Representative Wayne I. Smith, 33°

Our 100th Anniversary celebration on Saturday, 24 October, was a rousing success due to the attendance of many of you and the great a committee lead by Ill. Brother Allen Lowe, 33°. The dinner was superb, the entertainment by Brother Howie Damron was outstanding and the inspiring words from our Sovereign Grand Commander Ill. Ronald Seales, 33° and our Grand Master M\W\ Gale Kenney, 32° KCCH encouraged all as we continue promoting Masonry and Scottish Rite Masonry for the future.

The next day, Sunday, 25 October, Everett Valley was privileged to have four of our Brothers honored by being invested as Knights Commander of the Court of Honour, Louis E. Bartrand, Philip Leung, Jr., G. Santy Lascano, and Kenneth Thompson. By the time you read this we will also have two new Inspectors General Honorary in Everett Valley. Our new 33° brothers are Walter M. Moody, Jr and Charrison W. Lochaby and they will

have been coroneted on Saturday, 14 November. Please extend your congratulations to them as they take on the new obligations of their esteemed ranks.

At our last Executive Council meeting on Sunday, 8 November, we put the finishing touches on the calendar for January through June 2010 and it will soon be on our website <http://www.everettscottishrite.org/> and it will be available shortly on the printed pocket calendars which will be available from the Secretary – note that these pocket calendars are not mailed – you have to ask or view it on our website. Additionally we discussed changing the time-frame for future year's reunions. Everett Valley has in the past began our reunion in September with conferral of the 4th degree and concluded the reunion in May with the conferral of the 32nd degree followed by the Cap and Ring ceremony. One of the problems with this schedule is that so many of our Blue Lodges, and hence our supply of potential candidates, are dark during the summer which makes it dif-

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From The Secretary

By Charrison Lochaby, 33°

What RSVP Means

The term RSVP comes from the French expression "répondez s'il vous plaît", meaning "please respond". If RSVP is required for a Valley of Everett Catered Dinner, it means the invited guest/member must tell the host *whether or not they plan to attend the event*. It does not mean to respond only if you're coming, and it does not mean respond only if you're *not* coming (the expression "regrets only" is reserved for that instance). It means the Valley of Everett needs a definite head count for the planned event, and needs it by the date specified for that particular event.

At our last catered dinner, the Feast of Tishri, the Valley received a total of nine reservations from the membership, however, 44 people showed for a dinner. We were lucky this time, we had the caterer prepare for 40 people and did have

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From The Secretary

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enough food for all in attendance; we may not be so lucky the next time.

Why It's Inconsiderate to *Not* RSVP

An incomplete list of respondents can cause numerous problems for a host including difficulty in planning food quantities, issues relating to minimum guarantees with catering halls, uncertainty over the number of party favors and difficulties in planning appropriate seating, among other things.

So the next time you see RSVP or make a reservation for a Valley of Everett catered event please ensure you contact our Valley Secretary, Charrison Lochaby at 888.530.0816 or email him at clochaby@whidbey.com or Charlie Kissell at bjkissell@hotmail.com and most of all, respond promptly.



From the Almoner's desk

John Friesen, 32°

If you know of anyone who is ill, in a nursing home or hospital please let me know so I can send them a card or pay them a visit. May God be with you. God Bless. I can be contacted at 425-337-1655 or email me at : john-friesen@comcast.net

Uncle Joe, The Chinaberry Tree Philosopher

Rules of Civility (Continued)

2. Do not repeat news if you know not the truth thereof.
3. Accept correction gracefully.

From the Personal Representative

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difficult to contact potential Scottish Rite Masons and get their petitions in time to begin conferring the degrees. In addition it was noted that with most of the Blue Lodges holding their installation of officers in November and December, usually on Friday evenings or Saturday's it is one additional conflict to overcome. The final decision is to begin our reunions in January and complete in October effective January 2011. A tentative calendar for 2011 was created to insure that this will work. Remember all Executive Council meetings are open to everyone and your input and discussion is always appreciated.

We are now well into the season of Blue Lodge installations. May I encourage you to participate and/or attend as many as possible. Ideally we should at minimum support every Lodge in our District and other neighboring Lodges.

Lastly a reminder about dinners; The normal buffet dinner before Friday evening meetings are \$5 and reservations are not required. All of the catered dinners (they are shown as underlined **Bold Face Type** on both the printed and the website pocket calendar) require reservations and are \$10 per person. The next catered dinner will be our Christmas Party on the 18th of December. Reservations are required and it is of great importance that along with the number of attendees, you include the name, age and sex of all of the children that you will be bringing so Santa has a suitable gift for them.

The members of the Valley of Everett Scottish Rite extend to all the Brethren listed below, born in the month of December, a very **Happy Birthday!**



Efren Alas
Ralph Beahler
James Beattie
Walter Bisson
Roy Deaver
Terry Grove
Daniel Hernandez
Rolando Herrera
Walter Hobbs
Leroy Jacobs
Ronald Meyers
Kirke Sievers
John Sutton
Karl Warren



A Masonic Christmas Story

Posted December, 1997

By Wor. Bro. C.S.L. (Laurie) Lund &
V.W.Bro. R.G. (Ron) Dixon
(With Apologies to Clement C. Moore)

'Twas nigh afore Christmas at the
Freemason's Hall
(Civil Services' regular), the order
was tall;
Reams from Grand Lodge, a notice of
motion,
A ballot or two and a pause for devo-
tion.
To brethren departed of the year '94,
Plus a candidate who would soon
walk the floor.

Our own Junior Warden, when faced
with the crunch.
Said, "Let's all call off and go upstairs
for lunch."
The Master replied, as Masters all do,
Intoned in a voice reserved for the
few,
"Before we partake of the fellowship
there
Is the summons to read and a ballot to
clear.
Not to mention the candidate, he's
quaking with dread
At the stories of whether the goat has
been fed."

The Master, exhorting the brethren to
work,
A firm grip on the gavel, he turned
with a jerk
To the Secretary, putting a shine to
each lens,
Polished both to a lustre and reached
for his pens.

"It's half past the hour," the Master
then winced
At the stuff left to do and remained
unconvinced
That the evening would go as smooth
as he'd hoped
Since he'd gone to the trouble of feed-
ing the goat.
"Though the ballot's behind us, the
notice is gone,
Grand Lodge is finished, the work
still goes on."

The Inner Guard knew as the Tyler did
too
That knock, knock and knock was the
right thing to do.
Sidebenchers slept soundly and were
only stirred
When the crack of the candidate's
knuckles was heard
The slight groan that penetrated lips
that were pursed
Appeared to the Deacon as just a light
curse.

Onward they travel, the guide and the
man
Seeking truth and enlightenment wher-
ever they can
The secrets were given, the grip and the
token,
Obligation was offered, the words then
were spoken.
Though never, not once, was one heard
to gloat
As the Entered Apprentice never did
meet the goat.

The evening now ended, the candidate
clear
Junior Warden entreats from the South
us to hear
The oath we look forward to right from
the start,
"Happy to meet and sorry to part."

Christmas had come to Civil Service
that night
As men came together under the light
Giving freely of time as a labour of
love
As we bent to the task of the Most High
above.

To Stewards, to Deacons, the Tyler, the
'Guard
The Wardens, the Master, who all work
so hard,
To Past Masters steady, Sidebenchers
too
To Treasurer, Chaplain, the D. of C.
who
Help carry the Lodge, year in and year
out
To your family extended, a warm
Christmas time.
Thank the G.A.O.T.U. we've run out
of rhyme!

Valley of Everett Refrigerator card

(Please cut out this card and place it on
your Refrigerator as a reminder of up-
coming Scottish Rite and other meet-
ings, appointments or events)

December 2009

Dec 11 - All Bodies - Stated Meeting
Election of Officers - 6:30PM Buffet

Dec 13 - Executive Council Meeting -
2:00 PM

Dec 18 - Christmas Party - 6:30
Punch Bowl Social 7:00 PM Dinner

NEW DINNER PRICES

New dinner prices are effect for the
Valley of Everett.

Buffets \$5.00
Special Dinners\$10.00



Rose Croix Funeral Service

This service is very beautiful
and available to all members of the
Scottish Rite; however, Members
must make their desires known to
their families and the Valley.
Should you desire a Rose Croix
Funeral Service, when the time
comes, please let your families
know now. Ensure that they have
the phone number of our Valley
Secretary, Charrison Lochaby
when that time does comes. Char-
rison can be reached at 1-888-530-
0816, toll free.

Valley of Everett Degree Schedule

Jan 22 -- 18th Degree
Feb 19 -- 21st Degree
Mar 12 -- 25th Degree
Mar 19 -- 26th Degree
Apr 16 -- 29th Degree
Apr 23 -- 30th Degree

2010 List of Everett Valley Officers

Lodge of Perfection - 4° through 14°

Venerable Master: Philip Leung, Jr, 32° KCCH
Senior Warden: Bryan D. Bechler, 32°
Junior Warden: Efren L. Alas, 32°
Orator: Willard Burge, III, 32°
Prelate: Patrick T. Marlatt, 33°
Master of Ceremonies: Lee G. Schuirman, 32°
Expert: Richard C. Morgan, 32°
Assistant Expert: Greg W. Outman, 32°
Captain of the Host: Antonio B. Bernales, 32°

Chapter Rose Croix - 15° through 18°

Wise Master: Terry Grove 32°
Senior Warden: Walt Smith 32° KCCH
Junior Warden: Steven Wandel 32°
Master of Ceremonies: David F. Surface 32°
Expert: Dave Ramich 32°
Assistant Expert: Jim Hutchins 32°
Standard Bearer: Jim Herndon 32°
Guardian of Temple: George Haage 32° KCCH
Orator: Wayne Betts 32° KCCH
Prelate: Jack Harris 32° - not required by bylaws

Council of Kadosh - 19° through 30°

Commander: J. Robert Morrison, 32° KCCH
1st Lt. Commander: Hernan B. Divinagracia, 32° KCCH
2nd Lt Commander: Anthony C. Schwab, 33°
Chancellor: Alberto P. Tcruz, 32°
Prelate: Scott F. Slater, 32°
Master of Ceremonies: Cary A. Cope, 32°
Expert: John Friesen, 32°
Assistant Expert: Dennis C. Withers, 32°
Lieutenant of the Guard: Eligio L. Dulay, 32°
Orator: George W. Foster, 32°

Consistory - 31° & 32°

Master of Kadosh: Angelito V. Corpus, 32° KCCH
Prior: Robert C. Dearborn, 32°
Preceptor: David A. McCuistion, 32°
Chancellor: Alden D. Sarmiento, 32°
Minister of State: Walt M. Moody, Jr, 33°
Prelate: Norberto C. Bautista, 32°
Marshal of Ceremonies: John T. Sutton, 32°
Expert: Bret D. Griffin, 32°
Assistant Expert: Samson T. Jalandoni, 32°
Captain of the Guard: Eugene A. McFarlane, 32° KCCH

All Bodies

Almoner: John Friesen, 32°
Treasurer: Bryan D. Bechler, 32°
Tyler: Charlie Kissell, 32°

Valley of Everett Good of the Order

By Kenneth Thompson, 32°, KCCH

A Thought

The most interesting thing about a postage stamp is the persistence with which it sticks to its job.

The tiny, insignificant postage stamp is a good example of what is possible to achieve if you stick with the job until it is finished. Inconspicuously stuck on the corner of the envelope, it provides the impetus to keep moving until the entire packet reaches its ultimate destination. The influence you may have upon your company, your co-workers, your family, or any organization is incalculable if you have the persistence to pursue your goal until you achieve it. It is an absolute certainty that you will encounter obstacles in any worthwhile endeavor. When you do, remember the inconsequential little postage stamp and stick with the job until it is finished.

If we as Mason let our light shine in our work, thoughts and deeds not only in our Lodge room but in the public as well; just think how successful we could be. Remember our Grandmaster, MWB Gale Kenney's motto "Inform, Inspire and Involve" Share the light of Masonry with all you may encounter each and every day of this year and the years to come and maybe we can be as successful at the little postage stamp.

Masonic Essay

FREEMASONRY AND CHRISTMAS

Author Unknown

The observance of Christmas doesn't seem to bring satisfaction to some people. On one hand, many say it's too religious, and thus don't want Christmas trees in public buildings and nativity scenes within a shepherd's-crook length of government lawns. On the other hand, many say it's not religious enough; it's too commercial. They've been saying it for years—it's the central theme behind the charming animated cartoon *A Charlie Brown Christmas* which was made some 40 years ago.

Setting that aside, what does Christmas mean to the Freemasons or not?

Certainly Freemasonry is not a religion, Christian or otherwise. It leaves the determination on spiritual matters to each individual Mason, so long as he believes in the Almighty Creator. But there are certain messages from the story of Christmas that are applicable to all Masons, not just those who celebrate a certain birth on December 25th.

Many Christians feel God gave his greatest gift to mankind, and that Gift's birth is marked on Christmas Day. And the spirit of giving is also outlined in our Masonic ceremonies. The new Entered Apprentice is reminded in the northeast corner of charity, and to practice it whenever possible. There's the monetary charity of that portion of our ceremony. And there's another kind. The one referred to in the Charge in the same

degree which admonishes "to relieve his necessities, soothe his afflictions, and do to him as you would that he, under similar circumstances, should do until you." In other words, the Golden Rule, from the Sermon on the Mount.

Christmas is a time of faith for our Christian brethren. But all Masons are reminded in the different degrees of the principle of faith. In the explanation of the First Degree Tracing Board, we hear "How ready and willing ought we to be to adore the Almighty Creator." Therefore, let this time of year serve as a reminder to all Masons to practice their faith, whatever it may be.

Faith and Charity are names of principal staves or rounds on the Ladder you see every meeting on that Tracing Board. But there is another round, and that is Hope in Salvation. While Salvation has a particular connotation to those who believe in the story of the virgin birth, the concept of some kind of reward for following Masonic principles during our lives winds its way through the various degrees, as those of you familiar with the working tools explanations of the Second and Third Degrees well know.

So let this season of the year remind all Masons, no matter what their religious beliefs, to follow those universal tenets of the Craft—faith, hope and charity. Doing so should bring satisfaction to you at Christmas-time.

Uncle Joe, The Chinaberry Tree Philosopher Rules of Civility (Continued)

4. Speak not of evil of the absent. Say not behind a man's back what you would not say to his face

Consistory

Bryan D. Bechler, 32°,
Master of Kadosh—

On October 24, 2009, Everett Valley Scottish Rite celebrated it's 100th anniversary. More than 150 people attended, including MWB Gale H. Kenney, MWB William R. Miller, Sovereign Grand Inspector General and Ronald Seale, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction.

The entertainment for the evening was provided by Bro. Howie Damron, 32°, who sang several songs to the enjoyment of the crowd.

Bro. Damron made available for purchase his latest CD, entitled "Building Freemasonry Through DeMolay". He's donating a portion of the selling price to the Scottish Rite Rite Care Clinics.

The CD includes the following songs:

- Building Freemasonry Through DeMolay
- Follow the Eastern Star
- Hiram's Call
- Jobs Daughters The Fairest in the Land
- I'm a Noble of the Shrine
- The Masonic Ring
- The Rite Stuff
- Dyslexia the Gift
- The OldeYork Rite
- The Rainbows
- I'm Living DeMolay

If you are interested in obtaining a copy of this great CD, I have some to sell. Bro. Damron autographed these prior to his departure. The CDs sell for \$20.00 and can be purchased from me. Please call me at (360) 691-2861 if you wish to purchase one or more. Not only will you get some great Masonic music but you'll be helping out our outstanding charity.

The Spirit Of Masonry And Christmas

Robert G. Davis, 33°

PO Box 70, Guthrie, Oklahoma
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The spirits of Christmas and Masonry have marched hand and hand through the ages.

Regardless of which religious faith or creed any of us may profess,

we cannot help but be moved by the message of Christmas. It is a season that voices



humanity's longing for peace on earth. As Brothers of the Mystic Tie, we know that wherever the hope of love and compassion is lifted in the hearts of men, then the spirit of Freemasonry is there to sustain and strengthen them. The Prince of Peace voiced humanity's longing for peace, and Masonry strives to make this possible among men of good will. The spirit of Christmas and the spirit of Masonry have marched hand and hand through the ages. Century after century, the spirit of universal brotherhood has emblazoned the spirit of Christmas upon its every banner, has carried it to the farthest corners of the earth, and spread it in both mansion and shack, palace and hut. And today, wherever Yuletide trees brighten homes and corners, where bright lights burn to give cheer to the lonely and tired, where glad voices sing songs of great joy, where the laughter of

children and happy smiles of our grandparents round out the hours—there you will read the story of the spirit of Christmas and the spirit of Masonry.

Of course, in Masonry, it matters little the belief system from whence we come, so long as we have faith in a Higher Influence capable of moving us to love one another. It is this beautiful universal principle of religion that permits us to shake hands and meet on the square with good men of all faiths in essentially every country in the world.

The devout Israelite heeds our signs and lives in accordance with the sacred teachings of Freemasonry. The Christian knows he is a better man because he is a Freemason. The Hindu recognizes the universal language of the Craft and, speaking a different language, believing in an entirely different system of religion, and familiar with different laws, rises from a shrine in an Eastern pagoda to clasp hands with a Brother from the far West. The Moslem, turning his face toward Mecca in prayer or crossing over the desert sands, remembers the sacred obligations he has assumed as a Mason and performs to a Brother from a distant land the kindest acts of humanity.

The pure and moral principles of our beloved Fraternity inculcate charity to all mankind—a Brotherhood without boundaries, a faith without sectarianism, a patriotism without party, a unity of hearts, universal, embracing a worldwide community of men. Can we not see the message of Christmas here?

Valley of Everett Scottish Rite Newest

Members

By Allen Lowe, 33° and
Philip Leung, Jr., 32°, KCCH

First of all, I would like to extend my warmest welcome and congratulations to all of you for being the newest members in our Valley.

As you journey thru our degrees, we have assigned a mentor to each and every one of you to help and guide you—to make your Masonic journey a fun, rewarding and personal satisfactory experience.

Some of you may have already been in contact with your mentor, or will be soon contacted by one.

Below are names of the Valley brethren who have eagerly volunteered as mentors to help make this happen:

Ill Bro. Gerald Earl 33°, mentor for Bro. Stephen Bernheim;
Bro. Lee Schuirman, 32°, mentor for Bro. Jonathan Brown;
Ill Bro. Pat Marlatt, 33°, mentor for Bro. Brian Browne ;
Ill Bro. Wayne Smith, 33°, mentor for Bro. Willard Burge;
Bro. Bryan Bechler, 32°, mentor for Bro. Patrick Churchill;
Ill Bro. Charrison Lochaby, 33°, mentor for Bro. Jim Fulton;
Ill Bro. Charrison Lochaby, 33° and Bro. Richard Morgan, 32°, mentors for Bro. Merle "Milo" Milfs; Bro. J. Robert Morrison, 32° KCCH, mentor for Bro. Paul Steinsiek and Bro. Antonio B. Bernales, 32°, mentor for Bro. Cesar Valera

RiteCare of Washington News

Submitted by Bob Morrison, 32°

I ask you, where does the time go? It has been a busy busy year at RiteCare of Washington, in this our 25th year. We had a wonderful celebration donor event at Salty's on Alki to commemorate this momentous occasion. Check us out on our RiteCare of Washington facebook page. Awards of Excellence were given to Jacqueline Brown and Barbara McKaue, our Seattle therapists, for their years of service and dedication to Helping Kids Speak. Robert Wilson and Greta Corbett also received awards that night for their many years on the board and committees that have helped RiteCare of Washington reach this wonderful landmark. Events were also held this year in Tacoma, Vancouver and Spokane to continue to tell the RiteCare story.

It has been a year of awards. Jim Scardelis and Spokane RiteCare received Awards of Excellence at our annual meeting for their continued efforts for RiteCare of Washington. I received Women of the Year from The Cambridge Who's Who and Women of the year for family services from The National Association of Executive Women. I also was elected President of the Sno-King Soroptimists.

RiteCare of Washington and the Seattle RiteCare clinic will be moving next spring with the Seattle Valley Scottish Rite to our new digs in Shoreline. Our new address will be 1207 - North 152nd Street Shoreline, WA 98133. We will keep you posted on our upcoming house warming celebration.

The Olympia Valley RiteCare has stepped up this year and is now in full swing treating kids. I want to thank Jon Lenander and Don White for all their hard work.

RiteCare programs do not happen on their own. It is through the dedication of the Scottish Rite Masons, that the many children in Washington are able to receive speech therapy services even in these tough economic times.

This year we have launched a new program of recognition called **The Compass Award**. This award is to recognize those that have included RiteCare of Washington in their wills. It is easy to do and it is a gift that keeps on giving and leaves a living legacy. It's as simple as inserting the following language into your will. Your generosity will assist RiteCare of Washington to continue supporting children and their families.

I hereby bequeath to RiteCare of Washington, located at **1207 – North 152nd Street Shoreline, WA 98133** • The sum of \$_____ OR • _____% [percent] of my estate AND/OR • The following described property: [description]

Please let the RiteCare of Washington office know when you have done this so we can send the proper thank you and recognition for your kindness in ensuring the children of Washington will continue to receive speech therapy services. This year we recognize the Herbert and Gene Farman family from Bremerton and the Floyd Johnson Family from the Edmonds area.

I want to send a heartfelt and special thank you to St. John's Lodge for their \$500.00 donation to RiteCare of Washington and to the University Lodge for their

\$4000.00 donation in honor of our 25th year of Helping Kids Speak. Your kindness will touch many lives.

I was blessed to attend the Everett Valley Scottish Rite's Centennial Celebration in November. I want to thank Charrison Lochaby and Earl Greathouse for their invitation. I not only got to hear William Miller, SGIG and Ronald A. Seale, SGC speak, always inspirational, but also I got to hear Howie Damron sing his beautiful songs. Howie has even written one about RiteCare. He left us some of his CD's for sale. They are \$20.00 each, \$10.00 of which will go to RiteCare of Washington. Contact the RiteCare of Washington office @ 206-324-6293 and we will happily send one along to you. Also check out his website at www.howiedamron.com to hear Howie sing.

On his way to the Everett Valley Scottish Rite Centennial Celebration, Ronald A. Seale, SGC stopped by the Spokane Scottish Rite to recognize the great work of Spokane RiteCare. We are grateful for his visit and the recognition that keeps the light shining on the children of Washington with speech therapy needs.

Look for our Annual Holiday letter in your mailboxes soon.

For a wonderful and action packed year, I thank you.

With Warm Regards for all your support,

Heidi J. Fray
Executive Director
RiteCare of Washington

“VALLEY OF EVERETT COMING ATTRACTIONS”

Annual Christmas Dinner & Program

Friday, December 18, 2009

At the Everett Masonic Center

6:30 PM Punch Bowl Social – 7:00 PM Dinner

Ladies, Guest and Children are invited to attend

Reservations Required

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Friday, January 8, 2010

At the Everett Masonic Center

6:30 PM Punch Bowl Social – 7:00 PM Dinner

Ladies, Guest and Children are invited to attend

Valley of Everett Calendar of Events

Reserve Friday Evenings for your Scottish Rite

Dec 11 - All Bodies - Stated Meeting - Election of Officers - 6:30 PM Buffet
 Dec 13 - Executive Council Meeting—2:00 PM
 Dec 18 - Christmas Party - 6:00 PM Punch Bowl Social - 7:00 PM Dinner
 Dec 25 - Merry Christmas

Jan 08 - Lodge of Perfection – Stated Meeting 6:30 PM Punch Bowl Social, 7:00 PM Dinner—
 Installation
 Jan 10 - Executive Council Meeting—2:00 PM
 Jan 15 - Chapter of Rose Croix—Stated—Youth Night
 Jan 22 - Chapter of Rose Croix—Stated - 18th Degree

DISTRICT EIGHT MASONIC HAPPENINGS

December 2009

<i>Date</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>Event</i>
1	Tuesday	7:30 PM	Sultan-Monroe 160	Stated Meeting
			Crystal 122	Stated Meeting
			Robert Burns 243	Stated Meeting
2	Wednesday	7:30 PM	Centennial 25	Stated Meeting
			Alpha 212	Stated Meeting
5	Saturday	10:00 AM	Robert Burns	Installation of Officers
		2:00 PM	Crustal 122	Installation of Officers
		7:00 pm	Centennial 25	Installation of Officers
8	Tuesday	7:30 PM	Damascus 199	Stated Meeting
9	Wednesday	6:30 PM	Arlington 129	6:30 PM Dinner 7:30 Meeting
10	Thursday	6:30PM	Peninsular 95	6:30 PM Dinner 7:30 Meeting
14	Monday	7:30 PM	Everett 137	Stated Meeting
15	Tuesday	7:30 PM	Sultan-Monroe 160	Stated Meeting
			Crystal 122	Stated Meeting
			Robert Burns 243	Stated Meeting
16	Wednesday	7:30 PM	Centennial 25	Stated Meeting
			Alpha 212	Stated Meeting
24	Tuesday	7:30 PM	Damascus 199	Stated Meeting
25	Wednesday	6:30 PM	Arlington 129	6:30 PM Dinner 7:30 Meeting

DISTRICT NINE MASONIC HAPPENINGS

December 2009

<i>Date</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>Event</i>
1	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Mount Baker 36	Christmas Dinner - 7:30 PM Stated Meeting
3	Thursday	7:30 PM	Burlington -United 93	Stated Meeting, Installation of Officers
8	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Fidalgo 77	6:30 PM Dinner - Stated Meeting - Step Up
10	Thursday	7:30 PM	Camanio 19	Stated Meeting
12	Saturday	2:00 PM	Fidalgo 77	Installation of Officers
15	Tuesday	7:30 PM	Whidbey Island 15	6:30 PM Dinner - Stated Meeting
17	Thursday	7:30 PM	Garfield 41	Stated Meeting
24	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Langley 218	6:30 PM Dinner - Stated Meeting
24	Tuesday	7:30 PM	Lodge Officers Assoc, Reg. Meeting - Fidalgo 77 Host	

Note: Brethren take the time to visit your local Blue Lodges and share with them the opportunities that are available to them in our valley

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Merry Christmas

What is Scottish Rite? Although there is no higher degree than that of Master Mason, the 29 degrees of the Scottish Rite serve to enrich the philosophy of the Symbolic Lodge. A Mason who chooses to further his Masonic experience by becoming a 32° Scottish Rite Mason will be expanding upon the fundamental principles of Freemasonry. The moral and ethical lessons will allow him to be constantly reminded of his duty to God, Family, Country, and Fellow Man.

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Web masters' Note: Come visit the Everett Valley web site. It is located at:

www.everettscottishrite.org

DATES TO REMEMBER

December 18, 2009
Valley Of Everett
Annual Christmas Party
6:30 PM Punch Bowl Social
7:00 PM Dinner
At the
Everett Masonic Center
Ladies, Guest and Especially
Children are invites to attend



Quote of the Month

"It is easier to change yourself than to change others, and often more rewarding"
Neil Neddermeyer

Valley of Everett **Contact List**

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