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June/July Truly Grand Months

Job's Daughters Bethel 25 News

Grand Bethel Session successes:

Nine daughters and six adults from Bethel 25 attended Washington State Grand Bethel Session in Ellensburg from June 28 to July 1, 2003. All of the events this year were held on the Central Washington State University campus. Our Bethel was pleased to host a visiting Jobie from Billings, Montana. Katie Rehberg, Mrs. Lorraine Newman's niece, and Guide from Bethel 3 in Billings, had been named as Grand Representative to Washington & Alaska at Grand Session in Montana earlier in the month. She was a welcome addition to our group.

Officers for the 2003-2004 Grand Bethel term were selected and installed. Emily Hudson became the Grand Bethel Junior Princess, Erin Chenvert is the Grand Bethel Third Messenger and Amy Brady is Grand Representative to Ohio and New Mexico.

While at Grand Session, several of the daughters were successful in ritual competitions.

Jennifer Chenvert was named Best in State for her ritual work as First Messenger. Others receiving honors were Allida Newman, first place for First Messenger, second place for Honored Queen and second place for Junior Princess. Amy Brady won second place for Fifth Messenger. Janell Murry placed second for First Messenger. Erin Chenvert placed first for Third Messenger and third for Senior Princess.

The daughters from Bethel 25 received the Bethel trophy for most miles traveled to Jobie events for the past term (2002-2003). The daughters and adults accumulated well over

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News
from the
Washington
Masonic Family

Rainbow Girls ~ Jazz it up in Camelot

The Rainbow Assemblies of Coupeville, Lynden-Nooksack, Bellingham, Ferndale and Mount Vernon spent their weekend in Camelot.

Lynden-Nooksack Assembly Nancy Hardwick received a \$700 Rainbow Dad Scholarship. There were 28 applications, awarded 21 scholarships totaling \$20,000

District 5 Appointments

Grand Page Amanda Scott Lynden-Nooksack

Correspondents

Canada	Alicia DeBeeld	Bellingham
Tennessee	Sara Malone	Mount Vernon
Kentucky	Analee Kruger	Mount Vernon
New York	Jessica Leukhardt	Coupeville

Grand Cross of Color Team

Alternate-Westside	Megan Richards	Bellingham
Keeper of the Door	Jamie Fealey	Coupeville

Grand Officers (Mascot announced "Spunky Monkey")

Grand Page to the Supreme Insp	Erin Wiggins	Coupeville
Grand Representative of Oregon	Nicole TeVelde	Lynden-Nooksack
Grand Historian and Scrapbooks	Jenny Southwick	Lynden-Nooksack

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Eastern Star Grand Chapter in Review

RESULTS FROM GRAND CHAPTER

- Resolution No. 1 ... **Purpose: To extend the Grand Chapter Session from two and one-half days to three and one-half days.** FAILED.
- Resolution No. 2 ... **Purpose: To change the election of Grand Officers from the second day (Tuesday) to the third day (Wednesday) of the Grand Chapter Session.** DROPPED due to failure of passing of Resolution No. 1.
- Resolution No. 3 ... **Purpose: To provide a means of informing voting delegates in advance of Grand Chapter of some background on the individual candidates and to eliminate the need of asking another member for whom to vote.** PASSED.
- Resolution No. 4 ... **Purpose: To shorten the ballot and make the ballot process more efficient.** FAILED.
- Resolution No. 5 ... **Purpose: To expand the duties of the WGM by establishing written duties for each Grand Chapter Committee.** WITHDRAWN.
- Resolution No. 6 ... **Purpose: To expand the duties of the Grand Secretary by establishing Committee files in the GC office.** WITHDRAWN.
- Resolution No. 7 ... **Purpose: To insure the GC Committee members understand what is expected of them as a chairman or member of a committee.** WITHDRAWN.
- Resolution No. 8 ... **Purpose: To provide a method of replacing a Secretary or Treasurer when they leave the local commuting area of a Chapter.** PASSED.

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Wow! What a great weekend.

Brethren, I just got home from Yakima where I attended Grand Assembly and I must tell you what an exciting session our young ladies had. It was inspiring to watch these girls work and play together. Their excitement is contagious and their enthusiasm knows no bounds. During the first session they did initiation and the ritual and floor work was done perfectly. It is truly enjoyable to observe such outstanding ritual work. Brethren, it's not any different then with one of our meetings, a good, solid ritualistic opening sets the tone for the balance of the meeting and I must say that the Grand Officers certainly set the tone for their Grand sessions. The rest of Grand Assembly went well and the weekend ended with installation of new officers and the announcement of the results of the state service project, the National Children's Cancer Society. Brethren it's hard to believe but the Rainbow Girls raised almost \$63,000 for this service project. Over the last 5 years this brings their total donations to a little over \$200,000. Not bad for a jurisdiction with only 800 young ladies. Brethren, I know that many of you, not only in District #9 but across this great jurisdiction played a role in the girl's success and I would like to thank all of you for your help and generosity. I would also like to congratulate V.W. John Sleeth who has been appointed to serve as Grand Deputy and Ms. Sue Street who

will serve as the assistant to the Grand Deputy for District #5. I wish you both the best of luck and I truly hope the district will prosper under your leadership.

Now I know some of you are wondering why your Deputy is wasting time taking about Rainbow, you aren't interested in what the girls are doing or it's not relevant to your lodge or... Well for those of you that are not interested in our youth and what they are doing, I'm sorry, however these girls and their future families are our future and even though the girls themselves will never join our lodges I firmly believe that we can learn a thing or two from these young ladies. It's amazing how well the girls get along and how diligently they work for their respective assemblies. They labor in the name of service, they are taught to have and believe in Faith, Hope and Charity. These kids crave the very same principals that we as Mason's should be emulating. They are able to see beyond things like physical handicaps or the color of the child's skin. Brethren, at times I think that these kids have a better understanding of "meeting on the level" than we do. We need these kids to be a part of the Masonic family, not an outsider looking in.

I would encourage every lodge to look into starting a youth program. It would be great if you could get one of the Masonic youth groups started in your lodge but they take a huge commitment on behalf of the members of your lodge. A Masonic youth group will only flourish with appropriate adult support. If your members are not willing to make that kind of personal commitment then I would suggest that you start by either financially sponsoring a youth group or allowing a youth group to meet in your lodge for free. Consider sponsoring a scout troop (boy or girl), school band, drama club, jazz club or any youth program that "fits" in with the members of your lodge. By allowing a youth group to meet in your lodge you will open up several opportunities to share Masonry with the kids and their parents with very little cost to your members or the lodge. Whatever youth group you choose to help will mutually benefit both the lodge and the youth group.

It's time to start sharing with our communities just what we are, what we do and the fact that we are all very proud to call ourselves Freemasons.

Mark Wiggins

Deputy of the Grand Master in District No. 9

Open Air Degree

Mark your calendars now for the Open Air Master Mason Degree at the Masonic Park in Granite Falls on Saturday, August 2nd. There will be coffee, doughnuts and fellowship from 8:00 a.m. on. Lodge will open at 10:00 with W Lynn Bailey of Whidby Island Lodge No. 15 in the East taking on the host duties and performing the opening ritual. Following welcomes and introductions by VW Mark Wiggins the Military Degree Team will take over with our Grand Master MW John D. McNab conferring the degree on our candidate who is currently on active duty in the military serving our Nation. All stations and places will be filled by either active duty or prior military members in uniform for both the conferral and the drama sections. At the completion of the degree Lodge will be closed by our Grand Master and his Grand Lodge team in ample form.

Following the degree there will be an excellent lunch/BBQ and I am assured that last years little glitch of inadequate quantities of the repast will not be repeated. This open air degree is always one of the most enjoyable Masonic events of the summer. The ritual is good, the meals are great and the fellowship is outstanding.

Take a good look the members of the Military Degree team. See if you can tell who has not only retired from the service or other ventures but who apparently also retired from the regime of regular morning calisthenics or physical education. If any of you have a spare copy of the Dr. Atkins diet book, you may want to bring it along to donate to one of the team members who may need it.

By the way, remember to allow a little extra time and stop on your way up to the Masonic Park in downtown Granite Falls and enjoy breakfast at Damascus Lodge No. 199.

Washington D.C.

July was the Grand Lodge of Washington Month at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial. To commemorate this event our Grand Master MW John D. McNab led our states delegation to Alexandria, Virginia and the Memorial to open a special session of Grand lodge and raise the Washington State Flag. Accompanying the Grand Master were Deputy Grand Master RW Sat Tashiro, Grand Secretary RW David Owen and his son David, Past Grand Master MW William Miller, Grand Chaplain VW Wayne Smith, Grand Marshal W Charrison Lochaby, Grand Sword Bearer W Larry Coulson with his wife Rosemary and sons Jason and Douglas, Deputy of the Grand Master in District 22 VW William C. Munsell and his wife Virginia, and Washington's Representative to the Memorial W Jerry Ward. We took advantage of this opportunity to tour the George Washington Masonic National Memorial, the Scottish Rite House of the Temple, our Nations Capital (courtesy of our Brother and US Representative George Nethercutt), and many of historic and cultural sites in the area. A truly superb trip that we will all always cherish in our memories.



Summer is finally upon us, with warm dry days, cool clear evenings, and many extra hours of daylight. For Masons in Washington, summer also brings a new Grand Master. Most Worshipful John D. McNab's theme for the coming year is simple and to the point: *Planning, Training, and Mentoring.*

During this coming year, District 10 Lodges will confront numerous challenges. How each Lodge deals with their challenges will determine their future.

We can learn many lessons from successful business. Most businesses that have achieved success have followed a simple set of rules. Our Grand Master has provided the Lodges with a simple set of rules. Let's take a look at how we can use his theme to achieve our own success.

Planning: *"If you fail to plan, then plan to fail."* This simple quote applies to every form of human endeavor. Whether in business, the military, public service, or even the most basic personal undertaking, planning is the first step to success. Skipping this step will almost surely lead to failure.

Training: *"Master the basics. Those who are successful understand the fundamentals."* The Grand Lodge teams provide a myriad of training opportunities. In the recent past, these training sessions have been attended by the same

group of Masons representing the same group of Lodges. There will be more opportunities this year. Will the present and future leaders of your Lodge be there?

Mentoring: *"Deliver the Promise."* We are all pleased when a friend, business associate, or family member expresses a desire to join our fraternity. We are quick to get him a petition, present it at Lodge, await the results of the investigating committee, and the vote of the Lodge. Once initiated, we hand him some information and seat him in the Lodge. Sometimes we rush him into an appointed position because we need a warm body to fill a chair. Six months later we wonder why he no longer attends Lodge. We have failed to deliver the promise of Masonry. We must accompany our new Masons on their journey. We must be there for them when they need answers. We must be there when they need assistance. When we invest our time, and share our knowledge, we are taking vital steps to assure a successful future.

The challenges are directly in front of us. Grand Lodge has provided the resources for us to confront those challenges. Let me know how I can help your Lodge achieve its goals. When Masons join hands all things are possible. I will see you in Lodge.

Phil Wade

Deputy of the Grand Master in District 10



*Lynden Masonic Lodge No. 56
Invites each of you to visit*

**MWB John D. McNab
Grand Master of Masons in Washington
&**

**MWB Charles W. Ferguson
Grand Master of Masons in British Columbia and the Yukon**



This Social will be held at the Lynden Senior Center, 401 Grover Street in Lynden, Washington

Thursday, September 25th, 2003

Prepaid tickets are available from
Gordon R. Grahame, 1200 Lincoln Street #244, Bellingham, WA 98229 (360) 676-1746

\$35 USD (\$45 CDN) Couple
\$20 USD (\$25 CDN) Single
\$10 surcharge at the door. (Space available)

There are limited number of tickets available for the
6 PM Social (Lynden Style) and 6:30 Dinner and Program



Bethel No. 25
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Rainbow Girls
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37,000 travel miles during the year. The awards for individual travel miles went to Sr. Princess Sarah Brook, who received the first place trophy and Jr. Princess Karrin Terry won the second place trophy. PHQ Erin Chenvert won the third place trophy.

Mary Davis and Janell Murry each were awarded a certificate indicating academic achievement in maintaining a GPA of 3.75 or above.

The daughters (and adult guardians/chaperones) always enjoy going to Ellensburg for GBS. Staying in on-campus housing is exciting and fun for the daughters. Everyone looks forward to the 'secret pals' we have for the week, with daily treats and gifts arriving with little hints. On the last day all is revealed for those who have not been able to ascertain their "pal's" identity.

The daughters were pleased to have been invited to participate in the Loggerodeo Grand Parade on the 4th of July in Sedro-Woolley. HQ Sage Snook rode aboard the Masonic Family Float as other members walked behind, carrying the American and Bethel flags.

We are also looking forward to the next statewide Jobie event. In mid-August, we will travel to Fort Warden State park for Weekend of Fun, a yearly family camping event. The activities at WOF this year include making and flying kites on the beach as well as the much loved skit night and an inspiring Closing Cross formation with all the daughters kneeling together in prayer before returning home.

Margot Wade-Terry,
G O B

Bethel 25, Bellingham
margot520@comcast.net

Miscellaneous Awards

Pantaloons	Sandi Malone	Mount Vernon
Page Basket	Erin Wiggins	Coupeville
Banner(2)-Creative & Overall		Lynden-Nooksack
Banner-Membership		Bellingham
Talent~Wings of Song Award	Becca Smith	Mount Vernon
Scrapbook		District 5
ALPS Program	Jenny Southwick	Lynden-Nooksack
Membership (7 new girls prior to GA)		Bellingham

Other entries

Mrs. Sharon Meade, Mother Advisor and Sara Malone, member, both from Mount Vernon participated in the talent contest by doing some Karate moves.

State Service Project - NCAA - Established in 1987 to assist families of children receiving cancer treatment. To date NCAA has issued \$28 million to 12 thousand families. Washington Idaho Rainbow girls had a goal to earn \$50,000 for the project but received/donated \$62,772. NCAA announced that Grand Assembly of Washington Idaho Rainbow Girls has been award the 2003 Legacy Humanitarian Award for their annual donations and service toward the project.

New Members Initiated at Grand Assembly were Kasha Portrey and Megan Weatherby.

50th WEDDING RECEPTION



Jim and Moyne Browne will be celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on August 10 at the Lynden United Methodist Church from 12:00 noon to 2:30 pm. This is a "no gifts please" reception hosted by the United Methodist Women of the Church. Jim & Moyne were married on August 9, 1953 at Smith Center, Kansas the geographical center of the continental United States. Jim worked for the Department of Defense for 9 years and for the Boeing Company for 26 years before retiring and moving to Whatcom County. Moyne continues to work with The Browne Company, a Commercial Real Estate firm, which she established in 1985. Jim and Moyne have two children, a daughter Cyd Bishop who resides with her husband Dennis near Snohomish, Washington and a son, Barry who resides with his wife Dana just North of Bellingham, Washington.

Chuckanut Chapter and the Annual Summer Sports fest in the Tri-Cities

Chuckanut DeMolay came in 3rd place overall and they won the SPIRIT trophy for good sportsmanship and camaraderie.

There were 16 boys who attended, five of them future prospects, and they had a great time. They were very hot but no injuries and no problems. A great bunch of kids and wonderful advisors make these events very worthwhile.

Thank you for your continued support.

Them

DeMolay Supreme Council Honors

North Cascade District

Full Name	City	Honor
Karen M. Paull	Marysville	CO
Carr Lanham	Bellingham	ALOH
Marion Strickland	Bellingham	ALOH
Dennis Dwayne Paull	Marysville	HLOH
John Robert Sleeth	Bellingham	HLOH

Garage Sale

**Saturday and Sunday
August 9th and 10th
Masonic Hall
8th and O Ave
Anacortes**

Eastern Star Grand Chapter
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ELECTIONS

Elections were held on Tuesday morning in a VERY timely fashion.

ASSOCIATE GRAND CONDUCTRESS

Joanne Clark, PM, Priscilla Chapter
PO Box 205
Port Gamble, WA 98364

GRAND SENTINEL

Brian Gross, PP, Port Orchard Chapter
11301 Ridge Rim Trail SE
Port Orchard, WA 98367



GRAND CHAPTER YEAR OF 2003 - 2004

- Theme: **'OES: Yesterday, Today, and Forevermore'**
- Session: **'My, Oh My, What a Wonderful Day'**
- Watchwords: **Kindness & Love**
- Scripture: WGM: **'And whatsoever you do, do it with kindness and love.'** — *1 Corinthians 16:14* WGP: **'Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness; come before his presence with singing.'** — *Psalms 100:1-2*
- Colors: **Blue & Red**
- Flowers: All WGM: **American Beauty Red Rose**; WGP: **Peace Rose**
- Fun Emblem: WGM: **Brer Rabbit & Kin**; WGP - **Snoopy, the Flying Ace & Small Airplanes**
- Special Projects: WGM: **Hospice**; WGP: **Scottish Rite Center for Childhood Language Disorders (Golf Tourney) & Hospice for Cancer.**
- Songs: WGM: **'Everywhere You Go'**; **'Zippity Doo Dah'**; **'Let There Be Peace on Earth & What A Difference A Day Makes.** WGP: **'Those Magnificent Men in Their Flying Machines'**; **'In My Heart There Rings A Melody'**; & **'Amazing Grace'**.

GRAND OFFICERS OF WASHINGTON 2003-2004

Worthy Grand Matron: June Lee (Ken)	[Reception: September 13, 2003]
Worthy Grand Patron: Paul Runyan (Barbara)	[Reception: September 27, 2003]
Associate Grand Matron: Marilyn Hoots (Bill)	[Reception: October 4, 2003]
Associate Grand Patron: Al Butterfield (Eunice)	[Reception: October 4, 2003]
Grand Secretary: Norma Jean Roberts (Hank)	[Honor Night: February 4, 2004]
Grand Treasurer: Katie Glessing (Neil)	[Honor Night: February 21, 2004]
Grand Conductress: Ann Gates (Bob)	[Reception: February 7, 2004]
Associate Grand Conductress: Joanne Clark (Jerry)	[Reception: March 27, 2004]
Grand Chaplain: Lannie Kee (Ruth)	[Reception: November 15, 2003]
Grand Marshal: Sheryl Mencke (Brian)	[Reception: March 20, 2004]
Grand Organist: Myrna Nilson	[Reception: January 31, 2004]
Grand Adah: Linda Runyan (Jack)	[Reception: December 6, 2003]
Grand Ruth: Louise Belsby (Gary)	[Reception: April 24, 2004]
Grand Esther: Pauline Beebe (Bob)	[Reception: January 17, 2004]
Grand Martha: Margie Hemming (Dick)	[Reception: October 18, 2003]
Grand Electa: Marjoe Richards (Ron)	[Reception: October 11, 2003]
Grand Warder: Darlene Wiggins (Terry)	[Reception: November 22, 2003]
Grand Sentinel: Brian Gross (Rose)	[Reception: April 3, 2004]

Amateur Radio Operators

The Open Air 3rd Degree at the Masonic Park

In Granite Falls... on Aug 2nd

Your Assistance is in need

In the past several years the amateur radio operators from the area have been able to serve as outer Tylers for the Open Air Degree making it possible to allow our wives, children, and those who are not Masons to stay in the Park during the time Lodge is in session. With the combination of brethren traveling and those who cannot continue due to health reasons, we are still in need of a few more hams to help fill the gaps. With a full staffing everyone gets to see 1/2 the degree and have lunch provided as well as free entrance to the degree. If you feel the tug on your cable tow,.... you can contact me Don Loughmiller (N7WOL) by:

email n7wol@wwwu.edu
phone 360-734-4649 or
snail mail

4100 Britton Rd
Bellingham, Wa 98226

Thank You

Don Loughmiller

Maple Leaf Chapter #58

Order of the Eastern Star - Bellingham

Washington Eastern Star Grand Chapter Session was held in Yakima - June 29th through July 2nd and fourteen of our members attended. Our Grand Chaplain Fontella Lindquist planned and presented the very impressive Memorial service on Tuesday evening July 1st.

September 2nd will be our first meeting after our summer break. It will be our Education and Obligation Night with our newly appointed Deputy Instructor Mary Bender.

September 16th will be the night to honor the Rainbow Girls.

On September 20th, we will hold a garage sale from 9AM to 4PM at the Laurel Grange on Meridian. We'll be gathering good usable items no longer used or needed-more information follows.

It was a joy for yours truly to attend her 70th High School Class Reunion in Aurora Nebraska., June 28th Four members were together for the events.

Enjoy the rest of the summer.

Doris Wade

Publicity

Ferndale Eastern Star

E-gads, Its June. This means I'm not doing my job, I've missed the deadline twice and/or altogether just forgot to get something in the Masonic news for Ferndale Chapter... SORRY

Ferndale held its annual Installation of officers, for Worthy Matron Cheri Reynolds and Worthy Patron Robert Langer on April 7th. It has been twelve years since a father and daughter shared the east together in Ferndale Chapter, and a great honor for me (mom and wife) to Install both of them. The chapter room is decorated with Marvin Martian our fun emblem this year, and vase's of red, cream and black flowers and Cheri's theme is "Circle of Love".

A great pleasure and honor for Ferndale Chapter was honoring Sister Lois Peterson making her an Honorary past matron and presented her with a past matron's pin. This was one regret Lois had, but what a wonderful secretary she was for our chapter.

Brother Gene Callen and Sister Margaret Bingman both celebrated their 90th Birthdays. Sister Lorraine Peel became an 81-year member of our beautiful order. Sister Lorraine, for the State of Washington, is the only 81-year member.

April, we honored our Jr. Past Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron Pat and Sheila Kelly with a cute skit and gifts from the chapter for their year in the East and on May 5th honored Mom's. A reading about Mother's Day was given, then the Worthy Matron and Patron passed out Mexican Vanilla to all ladies present with a quiet remark, something like..., enjoy, we know you will.

Special Friends night was enjoyed in May. Among those welcomed were Past Grand Patron Wayne Mouat and Associate Grand Conductress Ann Gates. It's always nice when special friends come for an enjoyable evening.

We have been busy exemplifying three long form openings, one courtesy initiation and one balloting, not to mention enjoying the company of good friends.

Summer break is here, Grand Chapter is now history and a new group of grand officers are busy. This year our Chapter Picnic will be held at Beth Bogarde's home August 17. September 15 will be hosting our annual Potluck and Education Night to welcome our new Deputy Instructor Mary Bender, along with members and visitors.

Hope to see many of you there. A reminder: In October Ferndale is having it's "Friendship Night & Halloween Party". Your being asked to come in costume, so start thinking about what you're going to wear.

Have a wonderful summer!

Sharon Langer
Chapter Historian

Daughters of the Nile

Hatasu Temple No. 1

by Betty Stewart

There are three outstanding and fun events starting this coming fall season.

Sept. 14, 2003 is the trip to the Emerald Queen Casino in Fife. Jeannie Cameron (206 782-7241) is chairman of this event.

Oct. 5, 2003 is the Western Auction/Hatasu Hoedown at the Nile Country Club. A wonderful opportunity to wear your cowboy boots and hat and yodel while bidding on your favorite item. Ruth Hayden (425 258-8920) is the chairman.

Oct. 18, 2003 is the Fall Luncheon Fashion Show to be held at the Mill Creek Country Club. Talbots will be furnishing the lovely clothes and our own Hastasu members will be the models. Laurel Trieber (360 428-0961) is the chairman.

Reservation for the above events are to be made by calling the reservations chairman, Josie Slager (425 746-3986).

Ladies Oriental Shrine

Ahmes Court No. 41

by Lady Ruth J. Hayden

To all the Ladies of the Court,

While I know that Court is dark during these two months, I would appreciate your lowering your sun shades and take a few minutes of your time to peruse this newsletter.

Please make note of the following events on your calendar -

Sept. 4th - Friends Night at Alhab Court
367 - Tacoma, WA

Sept. 10th - Court Meeting - Quick Room

Sept. 18th - WAOUM - Sphinx Court #65,
Phoenix AZ

You are now free to wander around the country. Enjoy the summer and don't forget your sunscreen. We look forward to seeing you all at the special session and luncheon in July and then at regular session in September.

MASONIC CARAVAN TO BARKERVILLE 2003

The **second week** in August marks the **starting date** for this year's **Caravan to Barkerville, B.C.** A starting point will be from the Masonic Park near Granite Falls for those who attend the open air degree on Sat. 2, Aug. who will be remaining there for a few days. A **marshalling point** will follow on Wed. 6, Aug. at the **Bow Hill Rest Stop** North of Burlington on I-5. **Gathering time here will be 0930.** Border crossing at Sumas is recommended. For those coming from the East side, the Okanogan crossing might be more convenient.

It is recommended you take on fuel before leaving the state. Fuel is readily available but pricey in B.C.

Wed. 6 Aug. we will gather at Cache Creek for a 2 night stay. RV camping should be reserved early. Reservations can be made at **Brookside Campground** located about 1 mile East of Cache Creek on the North side of Highway 1. Phone No. for Creekside is **250.457.6633.** Be sure to tell them you are with the Masonic group. Plan for a pot-luck dinner on Wed. and a sit down dinner at Chub's Restaurant in Cache Creek on **Thursday, 7 Aug.**

FRIDAY, 8 AUGUST

Depart for Barkerville. RV parking at Barkerville will be at the Forest Rose Provincial park to the left as you approach Barkerville. The park parallels the air strip on the North. No hook-ups. Dump station available.

The Lodge room in Barkerville is usually open from 1300 to 1600 to sign the Porch Book and to purchase tickets for Saturday nights BBQ.

Hot dogs and hamburgers are usually served at the White Cap Motel in Wells from 1600 to 1800. Check this out on arrival.

Lodge opens at 1900. Coat and tie are recommended. Bring your own apron. Social activities are usually provided for the ladies while the men are at Lodge.

SATURDAY, 9 AUGUST

A pancake breakfast is usually served at the White Cap Motel commencing at 0800. Check this out on arrival.

Spend the day touring Barkerville and the surrounding areas. Lots of interesting things to occupy your time. The Lodge Hall is usually open during the day for tours.

1800-1900, no host cocktail hour in Wells. Check on place and time. Delicious BBQ and entertainment to follow. Can't miss this one. Casual attire suggested.

SUNDAY, 10 AUGUST

Lodge Hall will be open at 0930 for Brethren to sign the Porch Book. Following at 0950 the Brethren will assemble to march to St. Savior's Church for services. Coat and tie with appropriate regalia is recommended. Following services, the Brethren will march back to the Lodge for pictures. This will conclude all scheduled activities.

ACCOMODATIONS IN CACHE CREEK

- Bear Claws Lodge
250.457.9705
- Bonapart Motel
250.457.9693
- Sandman Inn
250.457.6284
- Tumbleweed Motel
250.457.6522
- Good Knight Inn
250.457.9500

ACCOMODATIONS IN WELLS

- White Cap
250.994.3484 or 800.377.2028
- Wells Hotel
800.860.2299
- Hubs Motel
250.994.3313

TIPS

1. U.S. citizens are required to have picture ID. You may be required to show more than one. A **Passport** (current or expired) or a **Birth Certificate**. And one other picture ID is usually all that is asked for.
2. If carrying children other than your own, written permission from parent or guardian is required.
3. 1.1 litre (40 oz) of liquor, wine or beer allowed
4. Food. Only potatoes in unopened containers, no apples or fruit with pits.
5. Animals. Proof of current rabies shots
6. Firearms. No-No.
7. Auto/RV. Proof of ownership and insurance coverage. Seat belts and headlights required.
8. If in Canada over 48 hours you may bring back \$400 worth of duty free merchandise for your own use.

WAGONMASTER

*R. W. "DIGGER"
O'DELL*

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**Leavenworth
Christmas Tree Lighting Bus Trip**



Saturday, December 13, 2003

Sponsored by: Lynden Masonic Lodge No. 56

**You are invited
Great family trip to Leavenworth**



the village as it is transformed into a magical wonderland of lights.

Visitors come back year after year for this famous Leavenworth festival. Fridays the town is in darkness awaiting Saturday's festivities. The aroma of food booths and roasting chestnuts fills the air; holiday music from the gazebo encircles the village while youngsters sled in the park; holiday personalities stroll the streets; Santa, St. Nick and Father Christmas provide photo opportunities and sleigh rides are minutes away. At dusk everyone gathers to sing "Silent Night" and witness the lighting of



Rest your weary feet at the Leavenworth Masonic Center, 423 Evans Street, 2 blocks from the City Center activities.

**30% Sold out
as of today.
Hurry and
get your tickets!**

Saturday, December 13, 2003

Leave: **Maplewood Masonic Center-9AM**
2626 West Maplewood Avenue, Bellingham

Leave: **Mount Vernon Masonic Center-9:45AM**
1023 East College Way, Mount Vernon

Cost: \$30 USD each

Contact: **Gordon Grahame 676-1746**
1200 Lincoln St #244, Bellingham, WA 98229 USA
Checks made out to: Lynden Masonic Lodge No. 56

Buses provided by: Bellair Charters

Prepaid Reservations required. Your PAID ticket is your receipt and seat assignment.

**District 10 Widows &
Orphans Fund**

The annual business meeting and luncheon of the District 10 Widows & Orphans Fund has been set for Saturday 13 September at 2:00 pm at the Maplewood Masonic Center.

Frank Juntunen
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Memorial

San Juan Lodge
A. Douglas Jeffries

Fairhaven Lodge
Larry Prather
Albert J. Smethurst

Grand Lodge Resolutions

RES #	TO AMEND SECTION	SUBJECT	RESULTS
2003-1	33.05 B.L.	To enhance 4 th Cardinal Virtue, "Justice"	Failed
2003-2	Sec. 12.06 and 12.08 Const.	To define "Form" as it applies to Resolutions submitted by Lodges at Annual Communication of Grand Lodge	Withdrawn
2003-3	Standard Work	To change Standard Work to be more consistent on closing of Lodge in all Three Degrees	Failed
2003-4	Sec. 17.05 B.L.	To permit Lodge elections to be held immediately after close of Grand Lodge	PASSED
2003-5	Sec. 1.04 Const.	To extend Grand Lodge Membership to all proficient Master Masons	Failed
2003-6	None	To define Sole Voting Member as relates to W.M.C. and Masonic Retirement Center	Withdrawn
2003-7	None	To transfer certain assets from Grand Lodge to Masonic Retirement Center	Withdrawn
2003-8	None	To establish written policy defining Masonic Home Endowment Fund	Withdrawn
2003-9	Standard Work, Sec. 2.01 Const., Sec. 3.10 Const.,	To change references to Holy Bible to Volume of the Sacred Law . in the Standard Work and W.M.C Sec. 17.10 B.L., and Sec. 24.03 B.L.	Failed
2003-10	Sec. 1.06 B.L.	To set Wenatchee as site for Annual Communications	Carried Over
2003-11	W.M.C.	To Adopt a New Washington Masonic Code	PASSED
2003-12	3.05 Const.	Codify and correct errors and omissions in Constitution	PASSED
2003-13	Sec. 11.07 B.L., 17.22 B.L., 18.06 B.L., 23.06 B.L., 23.07 B.L.	Codify and correct errors and omissions in By-Laws	PASSED
2003-14	Sec. 22.07 B.L.	To incorporate language of standard forms "Articles of Incorporation" and "Corporation By-Laws" into the Washington Masonic Code	PASSED
2003-15	20.01 B.L.	To incorporate language of standard form "Appointment and Report of Invest Com" into the Washington Masonic Code ^{3/4}	PASSED
2003-16	18.04 B.L.	To incorporate language of standard form "Petition for Affiliation" into the Washington Masonic Code	PASSED
2003-17	10.03 B.L.	To raise Registration Fee for Annual Communication	PASSED
2003-18	8.04 B.L.	To provide electronic version of three Lectures in an affordable, password or copyright protected format	PASSED
2003-19	12.07 B.L.	To change time limit for submitting Resolutions to December 1	PASSED

Election Results:

Grand Master	MWB John D. McNab
Deputy Grand Master	RWB Satoru "Sat" Tashiro
Senior Grand Warden	RWB Alvin W. Jorgensen
Junior Grand Warden	RWB John D. Keliher

Nooksack Valley Lodge No. 105 F&AM

Trestleboard for August/September 2003

- The Lodge is largely dark until our Stated meeting on Wednesday 10 September, 2003 at 7:30 pm. At that meeting we will hold our Annual Election of Lodge Officers and hall board trustees.
- The plan for Installation of the aforementioned Officers has been tentatively set for Saturday 27 September.
- I mentioned above that the Lodge is largely dark until September. We do have a candidate, Bro. Ron Scott going through the degrees of Masonry and we'll advance him as soon as he is proficient and ready to advance.
- The Voc. Ed. Comm. has set Saturday 25 October from 5:00 to 7:00 pm for its Annual Spaghetti Feed Fund Raiser, so put it on your calendar now.

Frank Juntunen

<oscar26charlie@earthlink.net>

THE HOUSE OUT BACK

One of my bygone recollections,
As I recall the days of yore
Is the little house, behind the house,
With the crescent over the door.

'Twas a place to sit and ponder
With your head bowed down so low,
Knowing that you wouldn't be there,
If you didn't have to go.

Ours was a three-holer,
With a size for every one.
You left there feeling better
After the usual job was done.

You had to make these frequent trips,
Whether snow, rain, sleet, or fog,
To the little house where you usually
Found the Sears Roebuck catalog.

Oft times in dread of winter
The seat was covered with snow.
'Twas then with much reluctance
To the little house you'd go.

With a swish you'd clear the seat,
Bend low, and with shivers in mind,
You'd blink your eyes and grit your teeth
As you settled on your behind.

I recall the day that Grandad,
Who stayed with us one summer,
Made a trip to the shanty
Which proved to be a hummer.

'Twas the same day my Dad
Finished painting the kitchen green.
He'd just cleaned up the mess he'd made
With rags and gasoline.

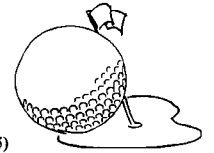
He tossed the rags in the shanty hole
And went on his usual way,
Not knowing that by doing so
He would eventually rue the day.

Now Granddad had an urgent call;
I never will forget!
This trip he made to the little house
Lingers in my memory yet.

He sat down on the shanty seat,
With both feet on the floor,
Then filled his pipe with tobacco
And struck a match on the outhouse door.

As he took a long puff on his pipe,
He slowly raised his behind,
Tossed the flaming match in the open hole,
With not a care on his mind.

THIRD ANNUAL OES CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT "Four Person Scramble"



Date: Friday, August 22, 2003

Location: Fort Lewis Golf Course (exit 116 off I-5)

Time: 12 Noon – Shotgun Start

Cost: \$75 per person (\$300 per team) same fee for 9 or 18 holes

Includes green fees, cart and buffet dinner (\$15 for non-golfers)

Awards: Team Prizes (Men, Women & Mixed)

Long Drive: Sister & Brother

Closest to Pin: Sister & Brother

Mulligans will be available for purchase (\$3/\$5.00) at the registration table

Proceeds will go to the Scottish Rite Center for Childhood Language Disorders Endowment Fund

Entry Form: (PLEASE PRINT) Fill out information and return with remittance by August 15th to:
Clayton Sparks – 1018 2nd Ave NW – Puyallup WA 98371-5350
Please make checks payable to: **Grand Chapter of Washington**

Entry #1 Team Captain* or Individual** ⇄ [circle one] ⇄ # of Holes **9** or **18**

Name _____ Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Address _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Entry #2

Name _____ Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Address _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Entry #3

Name _____ Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Address _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Entry #4

Name _____ Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Address _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

*Team Captain is responsible for the total team remittance

**Individuals will be placed on a team by the committee

Registration questions: contact Clayton Sparks @ 253-845-3466 or cmesparks@hotmail.com
Golf questions: contact Bill Hammontree @ 253-922-1288 or abhammon@worldnet.att.net



The blast that followed, I am sure
Was heard for miles around;
And there was poor ol' Granddad
Just sitting on the ground.

The smoldering pipe was still in his mouth,
His suspenders he held tight;
The celebrated three-holer
Was blown clear out of sight.

When we asked him what had happened,
His answer I'll never forget.
He thought it must be something
That he had recently et!

Next day we had a new one
Which my Dad built with ease.
With a sign on the entrance door
Which read: No smoking, Please!

Now that's the end of the story,
With memories of long ago,
Of the little house, behind the house
Where we went cause we had to go.

*** Contributed by: June Liles*

Masonic Park News

From the President

In my last article I discussed some of the major problems facing our Masonic Park. Our first major concern was to lessen the hemorrhaging of our reserve funds used to support continuing deficit budget performance. I proposed that we undertake a two-phase program to address this problem. The first phase was designed to provide some short-term relief and consisted of the following four action items:

1. Review and improve our investment policy
2. Revise our dues structure.
3. Revise our park gate income
4. Evaluate possible lumber throning sale.

With the full support and dedication of the MMC Management Team we got off to a great start. Our very low interest CDs are being invested in a Morgan Stanley income account as they mature. It should take about two years to complete this transfer and we expect to at least double our interest income.

We have revised our park gate fees and those will be distributed at our July Stated Meeting. Our dues structure revisions and lumber thinning evaluation remain as action items.

A great deal of credit and appreciation must go to Jerry, Fred and the volunteers who built and finished the new RV sites at the Peterson building. During May, the Cascade 50 Masonic Camping Club was the first group to reserve the Peterson building and the ten RV sites.

They used the facility for a week during rain and shine and were very pleased and expressed their appreciation.

They experienced constant power, space for awnings, slides, and parking, even with twelve units occupying the ten spaces. No mud bogs during rain due to the crushed rock surface. These R V sites are an important improvement in the services we can provide to our members and guests.

We have a lot more work to do. We must complete our short-term goals and start work on Phase 2, our long range goals to solvency and the development of a first class camping facility. Our current MMC management Team has the capability and dedication to get the job done.

Donald J. Availon
President

CARETAKER'S COMMENTS

There have been some changes in the way reservations are handled at the Masonic Park. In the past there have been some groups that were allowed to "roll-over" their deposit from year to year. We will no longer allow reserva-

tion deposits to "roll-over". Starting with reservations being made for the year "2004" you will need to submit a deposit for your event and aid the event you will need to turn in your reservation receipt within 30 days to get a refund. Your refund will be mailed within 15 days after your request is received. Your deposit is fully refundable unless the following conditions occur: less than half the minimum number of people show up; the site is left in poor condition or any violation of Park rules.

If you have a deposit right now that has been "rolled-over" from year to year, you may get a refund if you mail your receipt or other verification of the amount paid from the original reservation date back to the Park.

We do need volunteers to help with the physical labor on several projects. If you do not have the time to help, or physically cannot help, we have several projects that can use financial assistance. Call me at 360-691-6641.

The Park Staff is here to help you, so please contact us if you have any questions, suggestions or recommendations. We look forward to seeing you at the Park.

Jerry & Juttie Kunkle
Park Managers

WISH LIST

In the past we have listed several items the Park is in need of to continue to operate in the black and to make the employees jobs easier. Your response has been overwhelming and we appreciate your kind donations of equipment, cash and supplies.

The following is a revised list of items we could use;

1. Landscaping rakes;
2. Portable cement mixer;
3. Transit;
4. Band saw,
5. 12' table saw
6. Air tools;
7. Retractable reels for air hoses and electric cords;
8. Small plants or juniper tree starters for landscaping around new R. V. Sites.

In addition to the above items, we could also use specific donations for fire rings (25 still needed for shelters cost is \$100 per ring). Also, we are always looking for volunteers to help us with different projects throughout the year, so if you want to be put on the list, let me know. We really do need your help.

Remember, when considering a donation to the Park, we are a 501(c)7 charitable organization, and as such donations are generally not deductible, for income tax purposes.

FROM THE SECRETARY

We really do have a beautiful Park. It is getting better every year. You can help. Volunteers are a big help, more especially now with a labor shortage in the Park Call Jerry at 360-691-6641 to schedule you and your group in for some volunteer work and enjoy our slice of heaven on earth.

There is another way you can help. You know we have a "PACK IT IN-PACK IT OUT" policy. Sometimes your guests may not know that, or purposely ignore it and leave garbage behind. Or worse yet, dump it in Park garbage cans. Please help enforce the policy and make sure your guests PACK IT OUT.

CHANGE IN MEETING PLACE FOR July meeting. To avoid overcrowding with another group in the Park, the MMC meeting will be held at Damascus Lodge, 12:00 noon potluck. See the notice elsewhere in this issue.

Ken Page
Secretary/Treasurer

Open Air

Plan now to attend the Degree August 2nd The Military Degree Team from District 9 will do the degree work. They always do excellent work.

The times and fees are as follows:

6:30 AM to 11 AM, Breakfast at Damascus Lodge 199 in Granite Falls, (\$4.00).

8 AM to 10 AM, Registration at the Park, coffee and donuts at the big kitchen

10 AM, Open Lodge and introductions by Whidbey Island Lodge # 15.

Military Degree Team puts on the first section.

Call to Refreshment for 30 Minute Break.

Return to labor, Military Degree Team puts on the Drama section of the MM Degree.

GRAND MASTERS MESSAGE

Lodge closed by Grand Lodge Officers.

After Lodge is closed, a barbecue beef dinner will be served by Bethel Chapter #146, OES.

A donation of \$12.00 (US) will be collected at registration to cover the cost of registration, parking, coffee & donuts and dinner.

The Rainbow Dream Camp Board will entertain the visiting ladies at the Rainbow Chalet. Those ladies who wish to indulge in the barbecue dinner may do so for a donation of \$8.00 (US).

Friday, August 1, overnight camping will be allowed in the Park in designated areas.

Grand Master - Where is he going

AUGUST

2	Sat.	Granite Falls Open Air MM Degree	8:30 a.m.	Granite Falls	
		See note			
		NOTE: Hot Weather - CTU; Normal Weather - Team;			
		Degree team in Dress Military uniform 3			
Sun.		Prince Hall & Grand Lodge attend church			
	4:00 p.m.	DuPont		Team	*
6-12	Wed.-Tue.	Barkerville with GL of BC & Yukon		Team	*
16	Sat.	Cornerstone Laying, Tacoma Fire Station	11 a.m.	Tacoma	Team *
21	Thur.	Garfield Lodge, No 41, Salmon BBQ	6:00 p.m.	LaConner	Team *
23	Sat.	Camp Acacia Open Air EA Degree	10:00 a.m.	Hood Canal	CTU *
24	Sun.	Cornerstone - High School	TBA	Port Angeles	Team *
25	Mon.	Executive Committee Meeting	12:30 p.m.	Tacoma	CTU
25	Mon.	MRC Board of Trustees	4:00 p.m.	Des Moines	CTU
26	Tue.	Whidby Island Lodge, No 15,			
		Past Masters' Night	6:30 p.m.	Coupeville	Team *
30	Sat.	Cornerstone, City Swimming Pool	11:30 a.m.		
		Leavenworth		Team	*
31	Sun.	Reception of Philippine Grand Master			
	6:30 p.m.	Sea-Tac		Formal	*

SEPTEMBER

3	Wed.	Scottish Rite Stated Meeting	7:30 p.m.		
		Bellingham		Team	
4	Thur.	Burlington-United Lodge, No 93, Stated Meeting			
	7:30 p.m.	Sedro Woolley		Team	
5	Fri.	District 33 Meeting	6:30 D - 7:30 M	Spokane	Team *
6	Sat.	International Night, Melon Feed	6:30 D - 7:30 M		
		Kettle Falls		Team	*
8	Mon.	Lakeside Lodge, No 258, BBQ	6:30 p.m.	Bellevue	CTU *
10	Wed.	Phoenix Lodge, No 154, Stated Meeting	6:30 p.m.	Sumner	Team *
11	Thur.	Grand Master and Barbara celebrate 49 years of marriage			
12	Fri.	Cornerstone for two schools	Afternoon	Grandview	
13	Sat.	District 7 Meeting, Lakeside Lodge, No. 258			
	9:00M - 12:00 L	Bellevue		Team	*
13	Sat.	District 6 Meeting, South Gate Lodge, No. 100			
	3:30M - 6:30 D	Burien		Team	*
14	Sun.	Burlington-United Lodge, No. 93			
		Host Grand Master and Barb's 49 th Anniversary Celebration			
	2:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Sedro Woolley		CTU	*
15	Mon.	Military Reception by Wynooche Lodge, No. 43			
	6:00 p.m.	Montesano		Team	*
16	Wed.	Harmony Lodge, No 18, 131 years, Past Masters' Night			
	6:30 p.m. D	Olympia		Team	
17-19	Wed. - Fri.	Grand Lodge of Idaho			

JUST A STATED MEETING

Last night, Fairhaven Lodge had its Stated meeting. How boring. Just show up, read the minutes, pay the bills, introduce the same guys over again. Boring.

HOWEVER, I am glad I went, we had two visitors from other jurisdictions, and how diverse of persons and personalities they were.

WB Brian Head, Past Steward, Grand Lodge of England, distinguished Mason, Lecturer, very polished speaker and truly a Gentleman's Gentleman. Boring? Not hardly.

Br. John McNee, St. Augustine Florida. Not a Past Master, not a past officer or past Grand officer, "just" a Mason. Unpolished, unsophisticated, YET, both of these fine Brothers found a commonality in Freemasonry at our Stated meeting. How fascinating that two men from such different surroundings and backgrounds and cultures could come together in Bellingham, Washington and find a common bond. Boring? Not a chance.

Perhaps I am making more out of this encounter than it was, but I think this is one of the greatest assets we have: the chance for men of different backgrounds and training to come together on the Level and be received and acknowledged as Brothers.

We also accepted for the degrees, M. Stewart Prentiss, and his First degree will be the 22nd. Boring? I don't think so.

The next time you chat with a Brother who doesn't come to the Stated meetings because they are boring, have him give me a call.

Thom Baughn

Secretary
Fairhaven # 73

Council to perform all three Council Degrees

On Saturday of August in the Granite Falls Masonic Park. Check in will be at 8 AM, degrees start at 9 AM. Snohomish will supply picnic food, requesting a donation. This will be an opportunity to have the Super Excellent Master degree, which is optional, and not often performed. Check with your local Council on the date.

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