

Burlington-United 93 Trestleboard

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From the Worshipful Master

As you know one of the difficulties of Masonry in modern day is prospective members are probably still employed full-time; that is the case with me. I have, for my family, accepted a position that will keep me traveling around the country all but ten days a month and I don't know when those ten days will be. I am currently in Decatur IL and will be back home to see my wife on the 23rd but I'll be leaving again on the 30th. I will try to schedule my time back home the first week of the month so that I can continue my responsibilities to the fraternity; we'll be okay and I'll complete my office.

Scott Slater
Worshipful Master

Junior Warden's Corner

Here in Sedro-Woolley, we are at a unique advantage because of our wonderful tight-knit community and the many festivals we celebrate year-round. Its funny, when my wife, Darcy, and I moved to Sedro-Woolley we quickly learned that our new small town wasn't much different from the big city of Seattle we came from. Seattle, as you may know, is divided into many neighborhoods and each operate pretty much independently from each-other. Each like a small town with their own unique festivals and charm.

When I think of Seattle's festivals, the Fremont Fair is a favorite of mine. Along with the crowds of naked bike riders, the Freemasons are in full force. Daylight Masonic Lodge of the Arts has for many years has had an integral presence at the Fremont Fair, sponsoring a music stage and manning a Freemason information booth. Daylight Lodge has come up with attractive Masonic literature, along with Grand Lodge material, to hand out to the thousands that attend each year. They even have an "I'm interested" card, that allows prospective members the opportunity to leave their contact information for the Lodge to contact later. These ideas are a low-cost and simple way for a Masonic Lodge to tell the community who they are, and what they do.

Now how does this all relate to Burlington-United Lodge? Well, when I think of Sedro-Woolley's festivals, Loggerodeo instantly comes to mind. Daylight Lodge has been very successful at attracting new members attending the Fremont Fair, and I estimate that we would be just as successful here in Sedro-Woolley if we did the same at Loggerodeo. Lets follow in the good footsteps that Daylight Lodge has made. This does call for some work and effort on our part, but I think in order for our Lodge to thrive and survive, we need to make this a priority. We need to have more of a presence in our community. What better way could there be than the Forth of July Sedro-Woolley Loggerodeo. Our nations Independence Day is the perfect time of year for a Masonic Lodge out-reach campaign! Lets be an official sponsor of Loggerodeo. Lets have an information booth. Lets get active! I am willing to participate. Are you?

Brett Sandstrom
Junior Warden

Senior Deacon's corner

Life is exciting. Change is constant. But as long as we remember why we joined a fraternal organization and work together we will survive. Please join us on April 3 for the Grand Master's visit. I know that Rachelle will be preparing another wonderful dinner for us. If you haven't been to dinner before the lodge meeting yet, you are really missing out.

We are still looking for a Senior Warden. If you can help or know of someone that is willing to take that chair, please let us know.

Fraternally,
George Foster
Senior Deacon and webmaster

Calendar

April 3 Stated: This is the Grand Master's visit. Dinner 6:30 Lodge 7:30.

April 11,12 Wardens Conference in Yakima.

April 22 Burlington-United visit to Abbotsford. Meet at lodge 5:30.

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