

From the East

Chili Cook Off January 19th @ 6:30 P.M. Ladies bring our Brothers to dinner and enjoy a great evening of fellowship and laughs.

And now for some thought.

What can a Freemason expect to get from Freemasonry? The rewards of Freemasonry and the wages of Masons are endless, so long as a man is willing to strive for them. If he is content to be a "button Mason," paying his dues merely for the privilege of wearing a pin, this is just what he will get out of Masonry. If he is content to be a "knife-and-fork - Mason," showing up at his lodge only when there is some type of Banquet, he will receive only this from Masonry.

If, however, he measures himself by the plumb, and sets his standards accordingly, he will benefit from Masonic education, Masonic philosophy and from the association with the finest men in his community.

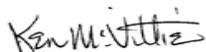
The standard by which a man judges himself as a Mason is the same unerring principle by which he judges himself as a family man, as a churchman, as a businessman, and as a citizen. He will learn to walk uprightly in all his endeavors, learning from the plumb the lesson of rectitude of conduct. Each man must stand by the plumbline, which is set in the midst of God's people.

Did you realize?

Bro. John Philip Sousa on 15 July 1881 at 26 was initiated, Hiram Lodge No. 10, Washington, DC. Passed September 1881, and raised November 1881. MM 51 years born in our nation's capital in a section then known as the "Navy Yard" At age 62, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy to train Navy bandsmen at Great Lakes Naval Training Station. (1854-1932)

Be Well Brothers. Upon the Square,

WB Ken McVittie Worshipful Master



From the Desk of the Secretary

The furnace at the Temple has been restored to service. Our last Stated Communication was kept very short due to the cold weather and lack of heat. The local heating company threw their hands in the air and declared that they could not fix the problem. Our intrepid house committee contacted a Seattle firm that sent over a repairman to investigate. Yes, the furnace is old. Yes it is out of

date. Yes it is repairable. In fact the technician had the necessary part in his tool bag. His assessment is that there is no reason we can't get many more years of use out of the furnace. There are also some upgrades that can be done to improve efficiency. Perhaps this is a case of a lemon turning into lemonade. Congratulations to MWB Jimmy Reid and the house committee for seeing to this repair.

The preceding brings up another point. It is obvious that many of the systems (all?) in the temple are very old. The electrical system is a case in point. There are not enough outlets in many locations, and many of the ones we have are not of the sturdiness one would hope and expect from a modern electrical system. The house committee and Temple Board continue to attempt small upgrades where possible and affordable. Outlets are being added to the 2nd floor clubroom as an example. Despite those on-going efforts we have a long way to go, and we often have to "make do" with what we have.

As of this writing, we do not have a response to the challenge to the Auditors tax assessment of the Temple properties. The assessment was far above any reasonable amount, and almost tripled the assessed value of the Temple properties. This impacts all shareholders and tenants of the Temple.

The Annual Shareholders meeting of the Temple Association is coming up in February. If there are any issues you feel should be addressed, bring them to VWB Lance Otis, WB Jim Kendall, WB Jerry Thompson or WB Mike Pursey who are all members of the Temple Board, or to our Worshipful Master, who is the voting member of the Association.

Because of the short meeting in December, the Worshipful Master postponed the Lodge Room Memorial for our departed Brothers. Because of the press of getting dues cards into the hands of our members, an unusual number of notices were received regarding deaths of members of our lodge. I just received another; Bro Harold K Richardson actually passed away in December of 2004, but I was just notified by his son of his passing in AZ. I have just discovered that Brother Maurice Nelson passed away in 2003. Assuming that we will not have another short meeting, the following members will be memorialized: Bro. Curtis Belcher, Bro. Earl D. Owen, Bro. George A. Tillett, Bro. Clyde W. Osborn, Bro Ralph Libsack, Bro. Harold Richardson, Bro. Maurice Nelson, and Bro. Sidney Jensen. Many of these brothers were life members, and all were long-time members. They will be sorely missed. If you have recollections of these brothers, please come share them at the January Stated.

CORRESPONDENCE: We received nice Christmas cards and notes from Bro. Ralph G. Johnson and Bro. Leopoldo Toledo. They are available for your reading pleasure at the Secretary's desk.

Fraternally,

WB Jim Kendall, PM

NOTICE TO PAST MASTERS: "THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WEST SOUND LODGE OF PAST MASTERS WILL BE HELD AT 7:30 PM, SATURDAY, MARCH 6, 2020 TO INDUCT CANDIDATES INTO THE ORIENTAL CHAIR OF KING SOLOMON. SEQUIM LODGE #213 IS THE HOST LODGE. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THEIR TEMPLE IN SEQUIM. DINNER WILL BE SERVED AT 6:30 P.M., THE MENU IS:

ROAST TENDERLOIN
ROASTED POTATOES
CARROTS
TOSSED SALAD
DINNER ROLLS
DESSERT
MILK, COFFEE

I AM YOUR LODGE REPRESENTATIVE FOR DINNER TICKETS. THEY ARE AVAILABLE FOR A DONATION OF \$8.00 EITHER BY CASH OR CHECK, CHECKS MADE PAYABLE TO SEQUIM LODGE #213. TICKET SALES WILL END ON MARCH 1, 2010 SO THAT AN ACCURATE COUNT CAN BE OBTAINED FOR PURCHASING GROCERIES. TICKETS WILL NOT BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.

"RIGHT WORSHIPFUL MASTER CHUCK COMPTON AND HIS OFFICERS LOOK FORWARD TO A GREAT TURNOUT."

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Sincerely and fraternally,

Hank Carman, PM

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Memorials at November Stated

A lodge room memorial was conducted for:

- Bro Calvin Wartman, MD, Master Mason since 1950
 - Bro Francis "Bud" Worthington, Master Mason since 1958
 - WB Glen E. Dock, Master Mason since 1964.
- They surely lived respected and died regretted. God rest their souls.

Calendar of Events

January

1—Happy New Year!
19—Stated Communication

February

16—Stated Communication



**For the up-to-date schedule and information,
Visit our website at
<http://www.whupton206.org>**

BIRTHDAYS FOR JANUARY

Campo, Norman 25/29	Dulac, Paul 16/68
Edrosa, Edgardo 19/61	Link, Bruce 14/25
Marenbach, Harry 21/36	Mellor, Gary 11/62
Moracca, Tony 07/19	Pursey, Jacob 23/86
Schermerhorn, David 07/47	Sohn, Rosser 12/20
Stimson, William 29/29	Wieck, Carl 16/16

(If I have missed your birthday, let me know immediately so that I may correct the error. Thanks! JK)

**If you have yet to pay
your 2010 dues,
please do so ASAP!**

Happy New Year!