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Grand High Priest's Message



Fall Greetings, Companions!

As autumn paints our landscapes with vibrant hues, I extend warm wishes for a wonderful fall season filled with fellowship and reflection.

The Spirit of Halloween

Halloween, rooted in the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain, marks a time when the veil between worlds thins, symbolizing transition and renewal. Known as All Hallows' Eve, it precedes All Saints' Day, blending sacred and secular traditions. Let us embrace this season to reflect on our Masonic journey and the mysteries we hold dear. Reflections on September—Official Visits

Our fraternal bonds grew stronger with inspiring visits:

- Issaquah Chapter No. 39 September 9th, Renton, WA: A night of warm fellowship and shared wisdom about the future. Special thanks to the Deputy Grand High Priest for opening his home to me.
- Seattle Daylight No. 19 September 13th, Seattle, WA: A vibrant gathering of companion, sharing of concerns and sharing of ideas to advance our purpose.
- Snohomish No. 15 September 15th, Edmonds, WA: Unity and fellowship deepened our connection this evening as we talked to the future of capitular masonry.

Inspiring Membership Growth

Let's turn our focus inward, encouraging each Chapter to host a local event to engage non-Masons to the Blue Lodges or attract Blue Lodge Masons to the York Rite. Whether a community service project or an open house, these efforts illuminate the path to York Rite Masonry. Share our webpage, spark curiosity and grow our brotherhood.

Administrative Reminder

Chapter secretaries, please keep the MMS system updated for accurate records. Contact Companion Michael Holland for support.

Closing Wishes

May your October and fall season be filled with joy, fellowship, and the warmth of our Craft. Let's build a stronger York Rite together!

Fraternally yours,

MEC David Sandretto
Grand High Priest
Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Washington

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Illustrious Grand Master's Message





Greetings Companions All,

Fall is upon us. September was a fun month for me. Not only did I enjoy my official visits with Cresent, Walter F. Meyer and Adoniram Councils, I was able to visit some Chapter and Commandries around the state as well. One of the things RIC Mike Palko-Dean and REC John Burrage always speak on is visitation. I have to agree with both of them—getting out and visiting has to be the best part of being a Freemason. It doesn't matter if we are talking about Blue Lodge, Scottish or York Rite. Getting out and visiting your Brothers and Companions and seeing the work and pitching in. I can't think of a better way to spread Brotherly love.

We talk about going the length of our Cable Tow but have we ever stopped to examine just how far our cabletow reaches or what the term actually means? Well, in nauticle terms, it was a heavy rope used to haul or tow a mass ship. But in Freemasonry it has many meanings. It symbolizes a vow, to assist others, and an item worn during initation and degree work. But it has a deeper meaning in that it meant your cabletow was basically your restrictions (which back then the biggest was travel). The amount of time or distance you could travel in any direction and make it back home in a day would be ones cabletow.

Today our Cabletow has had a lot more tied to it (pardon the pun). Family obligations have increased, after school activities are more demanding, jobs are requiring more of us our time seems to get spread thin and it just seems like we are going to pop if we get one more thing put on our plate. Well Companions, it is time to pop stretch your Cabletow not to the detrament of your family or job (nothing drastic like that) but find the time. Get to one of your meetings you pay to belong to and get your monies worth. Ask questions. Make your brothers and companions work, but be sure to work along side of them. Don't do this just to be a bother—be productive in building Freemasonry to the next level.

It is time we stop doing things a certain way because that is the way we have always done it (like Pavlovs Monkeys) and look to see how it is supposed to be done. Correct our ways and make our Fraternity great. I have seen far too many of you hungry to learn, hungry to see things grow, wanting to see the expansion. Wait no more. Look in the code. Look in our rituals floor work. If someone doubts you show them and if you hear that's the way we've always done it, talk it out find out why. Is it a Washington thing? Was someone taught incorrectly years ago and passed it down? Did it come from another Jurisdiction so it is technically right but not here? And as always if you have any questions I am not afraid to put the Deputy Grand Ilustrious Master on the spot for you. Just kidding....or was I?

I hope to see you all at the Northwest Regional York Rite Conference in Spokane October 17th & 18th.

Until I see you again companions be good to each other. As always be well and God Bless.

If you know of a First Responder that deserves recognition please let's do this all year. So far we have given away two awards.

Fraternally,

MIC Barron J. White
Most Illustrious Grand Master
Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of Washington

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Grand Commander's Message



Greetings Sir Knights!

Fall is truly upon us with cooler temperatures in the morning and a touch of color starting to show in the hills.

I had four visits scheduled for September but need to schedule one since there were a number of Sir Knights unavailable due to quite varied reasons (sickness, work, another Masonic event, etc.). This happens and I am sure we will be able to make this one up later in my term.

When I end my talk about plans for this year and my goals, I open up the floor for questions. Sometimes it takes a minute or two for a Sir Knight to ask the first one, but once the ice is broken, we will have a good time discussing ritual or tactics, uniforms or swords, or how we can attract new members and bring out current ones. Some of the questions are very specific while others are general in nature. I encourage all of the Sir Knights to think about questions to ask at the official visits or the District Instructors and as well as my visits.

This next part of the article came from one of those conversations. While it was not at an official visit, it came after a commandery meeting during an open discussion with a Sir Knight. His question was if we are followers of Christ, why do we have a sword in so many of our ceremonies and rituals. He felt that there was an incongruity there. After a little back and forth he asked if I could write the ideas I expressed down and give it as a little education for an upcoming meeting. This is the result:

Swords in Christian Symbolism

"In Christian symbolism, swords play a multifaceted and often paradoxical role. On one hand, the sword represents violence and conflict, which seems to contradict the Christian message of peace and love for one's neighbor. On the other hand, it is portrayed in many biblical contexts as an instrument of divine

justice and spiritual warfare. This duality makes the sword a complex symbol in Christian iconography and theology. One of the most well-known mentions of the sword in the New Testament is found in Jesus' words: 'I have not come to bring peace, but a sword' (Matthew 10:34).

This statement is often interpreted as a metaphor for the divisive power of faith, which can split families and communities. In this context, the sword symbolizes the uncompromising nature of Christian faith and the necessity to stand up for one's convictions, even if it leads to conflict. In Christian art and literature, the sword is frequently associated with archangels, particularly Michael. Michael, often depicted as the leader of the heavenly hosts, carries a flaming sword as a symbol of his battle against evil. This representation underscores the concept of the sword as an instrument of divine justice and as a weapon in the cosmic struggle between good and evil.

Similarly, in the Book of Revelation, Christ himself is depicted with a doubleedged sword coming out of his mouth - an image that symbolizes the penetrating and judging power of the divine word.

Symbolic Duality:

In some traditions, two crossed swords can symbolize the harmony between reason and intuition, or the balance between action and knowledge.

Knights Templar:

In the context of the Knights Templar, the sword takes on further significance, representing the knightly virtues of courage, defense of the cross, and upholding justice.

We are a military order based on the Knights Templar, the Crusaders. This basis is more than the name. We are both Christian Orders who follow the teachings of Christ and support the widows and orphans. And a part of this connection and comparison is the Sword.

We both use the sword as a defensive weapon, protecting those over who we have charge as well as defending the Christian religion.

The point of the sword is used as a challenge to ensure those approaching are ready to give passes and modes of recognition. The point is also is used in our libations to show our defense of our secrets.

The point also shows us to the oneness of our intentions and purposes.

The blade is used in our cuts which allows us to identify those who are worthy of our recognition.

The blade should also be a reminder that there is a sharpness to words and that they can cut deeply and when once used cannot be taken back. We always need to be careful in what we say, how we say it and when we say it.

The hilt is used to protect ourselves not only from physical injury but to ensure we will control this instrument of that defense. It also alludes to controlling our actions in all things in a positive manner.

Taken together the Sword is an appropriate device to help us with the lessons of Templary and its use can help us pass on these lessons."

Now this was a version of a longer discussion. It is merely my ideas and thoughts on the subject with a small amount of research. It can be expanded on or challenged. But it was my ideas at the time. This type of educational discussion will help you understand our chosen craft. It opens our minds to history and the paths which may be out there to explore. I encourage every Commandery to have these kinds of discussions at their meetings and outside the meetings.

I was reminded at Ranier Commandery #28 that there are several self-study programs out there on ritual and Templar history which are available from the Grand Encampment. I encourage those interested to look at these.

In October, I am planning to have three official visits. I am hoping to get some of the ones on the West side prior to the white stuff showing up on the passes. They are listed in the upcoming events page.

I am looking forward to spending time with my fellow Sir Knights at these Commandries and would welcome your attendance if you can come.

In His holy name,

SK Richard L. Roblee, REGC Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Washington

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Greetings Companions from your Royal Arch Masons Children's Heart Foundation

Companions,

You know it seems like just yesterday spring was springing, I blinked, and now fall is falling. It is that time of year that everyone is gearing up for winter. I personally am not sure if I am your "Trick or your Treat" but hey, here I am again as your Grand Scribe/President. I have made visitations with the Grand High Priest and I ask that you donate to the Heartbeat Box as your price of admission to your Chapter. I had a very nice visit with the Companions at Daylight Chapter and a great discussion with all the companions there. I think we all learned a little something about each other on that visit. Please be safe this Halloween. Don't let the ghost and goblins take you away...Give them a petition instead!

Your trustees are excitedly waiting to hear from you. If you know of a family in need please go to the <u>RAMCHF.ORG</u> web site.

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Treasurer's Report

Ending balances as of 8/31/25:

Checking: \$39,223.76 Savings: \$26,522.27 Investments: \$3,722,121.35

Bills as of 6/30/25: All are approved budgeted items

\$1255.55: Web Hosting, PUD, Comcast & Rent.

Thank you to the companions for their continued donations to your Charity.

Your generosity will continue to make a difference in the lives of others. Remember that your contributions will make a difference in the lives of Children. Please consider making a donation today.

Wishing you and yours all the best.

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Royal Arch Research Assistance (RARA)

R.A.R.A. - Royal Arch Research Assistance is a Philanthropy of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, International, was established by action of the General Grand Chapter in 1975.

The purpose of the Philanthropy is to assist in providing funds for Research in areas where there is great need, and which are less than adequately funded from other sources. They have and are directing their main thrust of support to Research in the area of Auditory Perception, which adversely affects untold thousands of children, especially boys.

The study of central auditory function is an intriguing endeavor. A central auditory processing disorder impacts the academic, work, and social behavior of the child and adult. The condition causes them to scramble written, or oral, instructions and thus not understand what is wanted or desired of them even thou they have normal intelligence, normal vision and normal hearing.

This program is identifying the problems (causes) and the cures for this malady. Over the years exciting results have occurred for many children with specialized use of acoustic earplugs and earmuffs, strategic classroom seating arrangements, FM wireless microphone systems and even electronic manipulation of speech signals used to enhance the intelligibility of speech.

Much has been learned and accomplished, however, much still needs to be done. The General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons is pleased to still contribute to the financial support of this worthy endeavor.

Donations can be sent to:

Royal Arch Research Assistance c/o J. William Riggs P.O. Box 1040 Bardstown, KY 40004-1040

Additional information can be found on the General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons International website at:

https://www.ggcrami.org/

Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation (CMMRF)

The Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation is the national Philanthropy of the General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, International.

Our Incorporation—March 6, 1986

The Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation, (CMMRF), was incorporated in the state of Oklahoma, driven by Most Puissant General Grand Master Ben Mandlebaum, of the General Grand Council, Cryptic Masons International.

Endowed Chair Established at IU—February 1996

The CMMRF Board of Trustees agreed to fund a Chair at the Indiana University Medical Center at the cost of \$1 million. The Foundation agrees to contribute \$200,000/year for five years to endow the chair. As an incentive, the university offered to guarantee a 5% income on the endowment plus matching it with a 5% payout from the endowment.

Dr. Keith L. March, Inaugural Chair—1999

Early in 1999, Keith L. March, M.D., PhD., was named the first holder of the newly endowed CMMRF Chair.

IU Endowed Chair Funded—1999

The final \$200,000 payment was made in December 2000 to fund the Chair at Indiana University.

CMMRF Lab Rebranding Strategy—December 2000

The laboratory sponsored by CMMRF was rebranded as the Indiana Center for Vascular Biology and Medicine (ICVBM). This new program and the creation of an endowed chair drew more than \$2,000,000 in additional funding for the program from non-Masonic sources. 2001-2002 \$300,000

Donation 2007

In 2007, a non-Masonic benefactor challenged CMMRF to match his \$50,000 donation to the Indiana Center of Vascular Biology and Medicine. By meeting his challenge, CMMRF contributed \$300,000 to ICVBM in 2007.

2007 Single Donation Makes Big Progress

In 2008, a Cryptic Mason donated \$20,000 which CMMRF matched and enabled Cryptic Masons to give \$240,000 to ICVBM for research in 2008. Today, upon request, CMMRF will match \$5,000 donations, up to \$25,000.

ICVBM selected to join CCTRN—2008

The IU center was tapped to join the Cardiovascular Cell Therapy Research Network (CCTRN), funded by the National Institutes of Health.

"CMMRF supports the Indiana Center for Vascular Biology and Medicine, (ICVBM), located at the Indiana University School of Medicine and the Richard Roudebush Veteran's Administration Medical Center located at Indianapolis, IN.

Because blood vessels are important in maintaining the health or repairing almost all tissues, practically all diseases turn out to have a vascular component connected to their origin or remediation. Diabetes, stroke, poor circulation, wound healing, and many other diseases share the common denominator of blood vessels. Centering our contributions to an organization that addresses so many different health concerns, both nationally and internationally, allows our supporters to share in the medical advancements, regardless of geography. Through the basic and clinical research, conducted by ICVBM and supported by CMMRF, advancements are being made to discover cures for many of today's health problems, prevent major diseases, and finally to save lives. We have the opportunity to improve the human condition for those most dear to us and ourselves. We invite you to become a part of this team and join our partnership in discovery. Let's do something great together!" (copied from the CMMRF official web page and used with the permission of the CMMRF)

To All Cryptic Masons Where So Ever Dispersed over the Face of the Earth:

In remembrance of the chartering of Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation, The CMMRF Board of Trustees declared Saturday, March 6th, 2021 as CMMRF DAY, calling on all Cryptic Masons to donate five dollars (\$5.00), to their home Council as tribute to this philanthropy and its great works.

Do not forget the tax and charitable opportunities of directing a portion of your RMD's, (Required Minimum Distributions), to CMMRF, and please consider remembering CMMRF in your estate planning documents.

Council Recorders are to accumulate all donations and send <u>one</u> check, on behalf of the Council to:

CMMRF P.O. Box 210 Brownsburg, IN 46111-0210 by May 15, 2021.

Thanks for all you do for our great philanthropy!

Grand Council of Washington CMMRF Committee

Knights Templar Eye Foundation (KTEF)

The mission of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation is "To Improve Vision Through Research, Education, and Supporting Access to Care".

The Knights Templar Eye Foundation, incorporated in 1956, is a charity sponsored by the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar. The Foundation is governed by a Board of Trustees comprised of the six elected officers of the Grand Encampment, all Past Grand Masters of the Grand Encampment, and six trustees-at-large elected from and by the membership for a term of nine years. It is exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501 (c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Code and contributions made to the Foundation are deductible by donors.

The original mission of the Foundation was "to provide assistance to those who face loss of sight due to the need for surgical treatment without regard to race, color, creed, age, sex or national origin provided they are unable to pay or receive adequate assistance from current government agencies or similar sources and to provide funds for research in curing diseases of the eye".

On December 31st, 2010, the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., by direction of the board, shifted the Foundation's focus and adopted a new mission statement "to improve vision through research, education, and supporting access to care." The Foundation now only participates in direct patient care through the Seniors Eye Care Program in partnership with EyeCare America and the Foundation of the American Academy of Ophthalmology. With this change, the Foundation is benefitting untold millions in generations to come through grants that support research and education. Our research dollars have helped develop new nonsurgical, treatments for strabismus (crossed eyes) and ophthalmologists have told us that our efforts in funding pediatric ophthalmology research have been the primary reason that there are fewer and fewer surgeries for strabismus. The Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., annually announces its call for research grant applications. The Foundation invites eligible investigators to submit applications for pediatric ophthalmology research grants for the award period which normally runs from July 1 to June 30. From the applications received, the Scientific Advisory Committee recommends to the Trustees which requests should be funded.

Since its inception, the foundation has expended over \$156M on research, patient care, and education. Research grants totaling in excess of \$28M have been awarded to researchers working in the fields of pediatric ophthalmology and ophthalmic genetics.

Ways to Donate

Special award programs for contributions include:

*Life Sponsor - Available to Sir Knights (members of a Commandery) who donate \$30.

*Associate Patron - Available to any person or organization that makes a donation of \$50.

*Patron - Available to any person or organization that makes a donation of \$100.

*Payments for Life Sponsor, Patron, and/or Associate Patron will exempt your Grand Commandery from further assessment to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.

**The Grand Master's Club - One Thousand Dollars enrolls you as a concerned individual in the humanitarian work of the Foundation. The Grand Master's Club is available to all individuals, whether Templars or others, but not to organizations. Your membership in the Grand Master's Club entitles you to a lapel pin, an engraved wall plaque and the Crusaders Cross issued for the first 5 Grand Master Clubs. (As of 2/1/2015 once 25 Grand Master's Clubs are reached, a Sword of Merit will be awarded.)

**The Grand Commander's Club - You can enroll in the Grand Commander's Club by sending in your first installment of \$100.00 or more. At the time of your enrollment, you will receive a lapel pin and wallet card (signifying your membership). In addition, members of the Grand Commander's Club pledge to make annual contributions of \$100.00 or more for nine more years until the total of \$1,000.00 is reached. Once contributions total \$1,000.00, the individual is enrolled in the Grand Master's Club.

**The Grand Master's Club and Grand Commander's Club are available to all individual Templars or others, but not to organizations.

Memorial Donations - These donations are of any amount in memory of a deceased person. A form is provided on the donor envelope.

Honorary Gifts - These donations are given in honor of a living person in recognition of service or friendship.

Wills and Bequests - Anyone who believes in the service provided by the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. may leave a bequest to the Foundation in their will.

Sight Crusader - Anyone who designates the KTEF in their will and provides suitable notification to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. will be listed in the Gold Book and designated a Sight Crusader.

The Permanent Donor Fund - This unique fund gives perpetual recognition to any person or organization that becomes a recipient of the Golden Chalice or Sword of Merit. Recognition is given by presentation of the Golden Chalice or Sword of Merit and the name and amount contributed appear in the Annual Report on a continuing basis. Additional donations by the individual or organization in the amount of \$1,000 or more will be acknowledged in future annual reports. The donor may be an organization, foundation, corporation, or individual.

Donations can be sent to:

Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. 3201 Cross Timbers Rd., Bldg. 4, Ste. 300 Flower Mound, TX 75028

MMS

So as most of our Washington Secretaries and Recorders are about done with their "Annual Report hand-wringing" for another year, I am thinking that a good number of them would welcome a world where they didn't have to type in the officers names, addresses, phone numbers, email addresses together with technical data relative to past heads-of-bodies, suspended and demitted members, affiliations, deaths and Degree information that could have been updated as the year went along within the MMS system. More and more Secretaries and Recorders have discovered the ease of working within the MMS system as they spend more time getting used to entering new petitioners and simply updating their information as they progress through the fraternity. Every day the heads of our Grand York Rite bodies have an opportunity to review the daily activity within the MMS and thereby acquire more helpful information as to where to direct their help and support. Deputies, Masters of the Arches, and Deputy Instructors are encouraged to become familiar with the MMS system so they can better assist new Secretaries/Recorders and point out how specific elements of the system can aid them in carrying out their duties to the units.

Every Washington York Rite member has 24/7 access to their own information that is on file on the MMS platform.

When we first got started with the system, many discovered that the information they thought they had in their local systems turned out to be in error. Degree dates weren't lining up, spellings were sometimes off a bit, and some who had recently stepped in to these important positions were unable to find a current and/or complete roster. Sometimes, if you are like me, when you get a few more years under your belt, you might tend to forget not only dates, but even that you had availed yourself of some of the bonus degrees and fraternal benefits that others continue to enjoy.

If you would like to do a simple check on what the MMS system has on file for you, there are a few hoops you need to jump through. First, you need a computer or an online device capable of running the Chrome browser. Second, you need one of your MMS membership numbers. Each York Rite body has a different number for you, but any one of them will allow you access to all your personal information. (Hint: Everyone who has a WA Knight Templar membership card has their number in the white section located on the edge of the card). The next thing you need is this internet link:

https://www.masonic-web.com/mms/memberbio/default.aspx. If you see something amiss, or if information is missing, please let your Secretary/Recorder know so that he can edit your information on your behalf.

As time goes on, look for more information and ideas that will be posted here about how the MMS system can be implemented to make our experience a great one. Secretaries/Recorders - you might want to start dreaming of the day when you can do an annual report with a few simple button-pushes. If you run in to a challenge with this MMS business and need some assistance, that is why I am here. I am always willing to work with you toward a positive resolution.

Fraternally,

MIC Michael Holland, Past Illustrious Grand Master Technology Committee Chairman Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of Washington

October 2025

YORK RITE LIFE MEMBERSHIP MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

Dear Companions and Sir Knights,

The annual meeting of the York Rite Life Membership Memorial Foundation will be held at the Palace Café, 323 N. Main St. Ellensburg, at 11:00AM on Saturday, October 11th, 2025.

Please respond to myself and Ken Cowen if you will or will not be attending.

Fraternally, Dave Grindle Acting Secretary

York Rite Life Membership Memorial Foundation Board Roster for 2025-2026

York Rite Life Membership David Grindle PT—Secretary 4425 W. Magrath Dr. Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815

Grand Chapter: MEC David Sandretto (Ex-Officio)

Ken Cowen, President

Jon Lind

Term Expires: 2026
Term Expires: 2027
Mark Sanders

Term Expires: 2028

Grand Council: MIC B. Jay White (Ex-Officio)

David Grindle, Treasurer, Acting Secretary

Corwin Starr

John Catlett III

Term Expires: 2026

Term Expires: 2027

Term Expires: 2028

Grand Commandery: Richard Roblee (Ex-Officio)

Michael Smitson Term Expires: 2026 Ronald Graham Term Expires: 2027 Jeff Pratt Term Expires: 2028



Greetings Companions,

Haunted Forest is set up and ready to scare all those that attend! There were a lot of youth groups and many other volunteers that helped set up the event.

Thank you to the Companions that attend the Royal Arch Park Board meetings on the first Sunday of each month at 7:00PM.

It is still busy in the park with regular maintenance and fall clean up.

Don't forget we have a website that will allow for increased visibility and advertising. Please take a peek at www.royalarchpark.org

A big thank you to all who volunteer to help make the park successful.

Companion Jeff Long RAP Board President



Upcoming Events

Official Visits/Upcoming Events—October/November 2025

Grand Chapter

Wenatchee Chapter No. 22, Wenatchee October 11th:

York Rite Life Membership Meeting, Ellensburg

October 17th & 18th: Northwest Regional York Rite Conference, Spokane October 26th:

Affirmation Sunday Service, Peach Arch Park, Blaine.

Service to start at 10:00AM, followed by light refreshments.

Grand Council

October 8th: Vancouver Council No. 10, Woodland October 23rd: Ellensburg Council No. 26, Ellensburg

October 17th & 18th: Northwest Regional York Rite Conference, Spokane

Alpha Council No. 20, Centralia November 5th: November 8th: Fall City Council No. 28, Fall City

November 12th: **Bellingham Council No. 16, Sedro Woolley**

Grand Commandery

October 6th: Hesperus Commandery No. 8, Sedro Woolley

October 15th: DeMolai Commandery No. 6, Centralia

October 17th & 18th: Northwest Regional York Rite Conference, Spokane October 21st: Juan de Fuca Commandery No. 17, Port Gamble

Exemplification of Scottish Rite 1st Degree by a team from Louisiana will take place on the evening of October 18th. Register at: www.nwyr.org.

York Rite WA, LLC

Officers for 2025—2026

| President | Fred Mark |
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| Vice-President | Donald Moore |
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YORK RITE REGISTRY

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District #1:

Snohomish County Chapter No. 15

Meets 3rd Monday of February, April, June, September and November at Edmonds Lodge, 515 Dayton St., Edmonds, WA. Dinner at 6:30PM; stated meeting at 7:30PM.

High Priest:EC William Meyring(425) 408-0808brm2621@hotmail.comSecretary:REC Roger Pankey(206) 446-6236snoco15@gmail.com

Seattle Daylight Chapter No. 19

Meets on the 2nd Saturday of January, March, May, September and November at Green Lake Masonic Hall, 307 NE Maple Leaf Pl., Seattle, WA at 10:30AM. If in conflict with Grand Chapter meeting, the first (1st) Saturday in May. Lunch follows all meetings at a nearby restaurant.

High Priest:EC John Hannaman(425) 351-0566johnhannaman@comcast.netSecretary:EC Geoffrey Joosten(206) 707-3296geoffreyjoosten@comcast.net

Anacortes Chapter No. 59

Meets 4th Monday at Burlington United Masonic Center, 106 Warner St., Sedro Wooley, WA, except July, August and December. Dinner at 6:30PM; stated meeting at 7:30PM.

High Priest:EC Marion Windell(360) 678-6893windma@isomedia.comSecretary:EC James Gaskill(360) 672-1999jimgaskill155@gmail.com

District #2:

Tacoma Chapter No. 4

Meets on the 3rd Monday in February, April, June, August, October and December at 817 S. Vassault St., Tacoma, WA. Potluck dinner at 6:30PM.

High Priest: REC Michael Smitson (253) 370-9748 mike.smitson@gmail.com Secretary: EC John Yeager (253) 324-3701 yeagerjohn@outlook.com

Olympus Chapter No. 27

Meets on the 4th Monday at 6:00PM at the Bremerton Masonic Temple, 878 5th St., Bremerton, WA, except July and August.

High Priest: EC Jason Reeder (816) 668-7145 jason.d.reeder@gmail.com

Secretary: MEC Scot Sageser (360) 228-9929 bremertonyorkrite1307@gmail.com

Angeles Chapter No. 38

Meets on the 3rd Tuesday of March, June and September at the Port Gamble Lodge No. 5, 5 N. Rainier Ave., Port Gamble, WA. Meetings are in conjunction with Crescent Council No. 18 and Juan de Fuca Commandery No. 17. Hosted dinners before Official Visits at 6:30PM. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM. No meeting in July, August and December.

High Priest:EC Clint Beyer(360) 640-1497clintbeyer@olynet.comSecretary:C Rocky Catlett(360) 621-6190rockyjulia84@hotmail.com

District #3:

Issaquah Chapter No. 39

Meets on the 2nd Tuesday at St. Andrews Masonic Center, 505 Williams Ave. S, Renton, WA except for July and August. Potluck at 6:30PM; stated convocation at 7:30PM. Every September is the annual visitation of Falls City Chapter No. 54.

High Priest: EC Dale Collier (206) 472-6567 Collierconstruction1@gmail.com

Secretary: MEC Jerry Whitney (206) 241-7510 jrwitnee@comcast.net

Robert B. Palmer Chapter No. 46

Meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Auburn Masonic Temple, 10 Auburn Way S, Auburn, WA, except July, August and December. Potluck dinner at 6:30PM; stated meeting at 7:30PM.

High Priest:EC John Caverly(253) 302-7144caverlyj@gmail.comSecretary:VEC Mike Palko-Dean(253) 217-8192dadmike@comcast.net

Falls City Chapter No. 54

Meets the 1st Saturday of June and the 2nd Saturday of February, March, April, July, August, September, October, and November at 4 PM at 4304-337th Place SE, Fall City, WA. Dark in January, May, December. The September convocation is optionally at 7:30PM on the 2nd Tuesday and is held JOINTLY with Issaquah #39 at 505 S. Williams Ave., Renton, WA.

High Priest:EC Guy EverettGuy.everett@gmail.comSecretary:C Alex Dalealex@snowycloud.com

Triple Tau Chapter No. 66

Meets on the 2nd Wednesday of month at the Des Moines Masonic Temple, 2208 S 223rd St., Des Moines, WA. Dark in July & August. 6:00 PM dinner at the Des Moines Creek Restaurant, 21830 Grand View Drive, Des Moines, WA 98198. If you wish to participate in this free dinner, <u>PLEASE</u> contact Jerry Whitney, 206-241-7510 or jrwitnee@comcast.net *before* the 2nd Wednesday of the month. Stated meeting at 7:30 PM. If May meeting conflicts with Grand Chapter, it may be held at the discretion of the Chapter High Priest within 10 days of the 2nd Wednesday of May.

High Priest: REC John Burrage (206) 947-9887 jsburrage@aol.com Secretary: MEC Jerry Whitney (206) 241-7510 jrwitnee@comcast.net

District #4:

Centralia Chapter No. 44

Meets on the 1st Wednesday of February, April, June, October and December at the Centralia Masonic Temple, 218 N. Pearl St., Centralia, WA. Stated meeting at 7:30PM. Refreshments served after the meeting.

High Priest:EC Shane Inman(360) 941-0861slinman87@gmail.comSecretary:VEC John H. Vivian(360) 280-0154jbarv1@hotmail.com

Cowlitz Chapter No. 70

Meets on the second Wednesday of January, April and October at the Woodland-Kalama Masonic Center, 143 Davidson Ave., Woodland, WA. Dinner at 6:30PM. Stated meeting at 7:30PM.

High Priest: VEC Mark D. Sanders (360) 687-5281 Mark.D.Sanders@gmail.com
Secretary: EC David A Rice (513) 607-4586 mrd4808@gmail.com

District #5:

Spokane Chapter No. 2

Meets 4th Thursdays except November and December at the Spokane Masonic Center, 506 W. 2nd Ave., Spokane, WA. Stated meeting begins at 6:00pm.

High Priest:EC Tom Hodgins(360) 471-3380tom_hodgins@gmail.comSecretary:EC Jeff Pratt(509) 222-8458jeff.pratt1953@gmail.com

Ellensburg Chapter No. 11

Meets on the 1st Thursday at the Ellensburg Masonic Temple, 111 ½ W. 6th Ave., Ellensburg, WA, except July, August, and Federal Holidays. Stated meeting at 7:00PM. Meetings are combined with Ellensburg Commandery.

High Priest: EC Mikhail Munden (509) 607-9364 mikinic2@yahoo.com

Secretary: MEC Patrick Stanton (509) 859-2067 highplainsdrifter@rocketmail.com

Wenatchee Chapter No. 22

Meets the Second Saturday of March, April, May, June, September, October and November at the Wenatchee Masonic Center, 811 N. Chelan, Wenatchee, WA, except July and August. Stated meetings begin at 1:30PM. If the second Saturday is a holiday, the meeting will take place on the 3rd Saturday.

High Priest: EC Wes Beare (509) 670-2558 No Email

Secretary: EC Steven Verebi (509) 429-1330 sverebijr@msn.com

District #6:

Walla Walla Chapter No. 1

Meets every 2nd Wednesday of the month, but formally opens only the months of January, April and October at the Walla Walla Masonic Center, 607 E. Main St., Walla Walla, WA, except June, July and August. Stated meeting is at 7:30PM.

High Priest: EC Sean Scanlon (541) 303-3821 sscanlon68@gmail.com
Secretary: VEC Phillip Woodland (509) 529-3781 woodlandforest@charter.net

Evergreen Chapter No. 10

Meets the 4th Monday at the Nitosa Lodge No. 204, 102 2nd St., Asotin, WA, except June, July, August and December. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM.

High Priest: MEC John W. Zeller (208) 413-0375 jwzidaho@yahoo.com Secretary: VEC Steven Kazda (509) 566-4020 skazda@pomeroy-wa.com

Pasco Chapter No. 33

Meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month except for November and December at the Richland Masonic Temple, 412 Thayer Dr., Richland, WA. On all other months it opens informally in association with Zadok Council #23 and Pasco Commandery #21. Dark in November and December. Stated meeting at 7:00PM. Dinner at 6:00PM when Official Visitation takes place.

High Priest:EC Richard Redick(509) 737-7120sealedN4head@gmail.comSecretary:EC Charles Davis(509) 943-5843Cr_eddavis@frontier.com

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District No. 1:

Naval Council No. 11

Meets the 4th Monday of each month at the Bremerton Masonic Temple, 878 5th St., Bremerton, WA, except July and August. Stated meetings begin at 7:00PM.

Illustrious Master: IC James Houston (360) 698-7404 kz9lww@gmail.com

Recorder: MIC Scot P. Sageser (360) 228-9929 bremertonyorkrite1307@gmail.com

Crescent Council No. 18

Meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Port Gable Lodge No. 5, 5 N. Rainier Ave., Port Gamble, WA. Stated meetings January through November beginning at 7:30PM. Meets in conjunction with Angeles Chapter No. 38 and Juan de Fuca Commandery No. 17. Hosted dinners before Official Visits at 6:30PM, and stated meeting begins at 7:30PM. No meeting in July, August and December.

Illustrious Master: VIC Kirk Rose (360) 809-3532 theroses@wavecable.com Recorder: IC Jason Reeder (816) 668-7145 jason.d.reeder@gmail.com

District No. 2:

Bellingham Council No. 16

Meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month except for July and August at the Burlington-United Masonic Lodge, 106 Warner St., Sedro Woolley, WA. Dinner at 6:30PM. Stated meeting at 7:30PM.

Illustrious Master: IC James Gaskill (360) 672-1999 jimgaskill155@gmail.com
Recorder: VIC Douglas Jerome (360) 672-0459 jammerguy1@gmail.com

District No. 3:

Adoniram Council No. 17

Meets the 2nd Saturday of March, May, September and November at the Green Lake Masonic Hall, 307 NE Maple Leaf Place, Seattle, WA. Meeting starts at 2:00PM. Lunch before at a local restaurant, usually Rosita's. First Saturday in May if conflict with Grand Sessions. Installation in January.

Illustrious Master: IC Dale Parsons (253) 227-2110 daleparsons9382@gmail.com
Recorder: IC Jeffrey T. Harden (206) 274-5271 nicostratus@gmail.com

Walter F. Meier Council No. 22

Meets the 2nd Friday in January, March, September and November; 1st Friday in May at the Ashlar Masonic Temple, 10035 ½ Main St., Bothell, WA. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM. Potluck dinner (main course provided) begins at 6:30PM.

Illustrious Master: IC William Meyring (425) 408-0808 brm2621@hotmail.com Recorder: VIC Roger Pankey (206) 446-6236 wfmeier22@gmail.com

District No. 4:

Tacoma Council No. 1

Meets the 3rd Monday of January, March, May, July, September, and November at 5405 S. Puget Sound Ave., Tacoma, WA. Stated meetings begin at 7:30PM. Potluck dinner at 6:30PM.

Illustrious Master: IC Tomahawk Pearson (206) 473-8452 tpearson@usa.com
Recorder: IC John Yeager (253) 324-3701 yeagerjohn@outlook.com

Seattle Council No 6

Meets the 4th Thursday of every month at 6:45PM except for July, August, November and December at the St. Andrews Masonic Center, 505 S. Williams Ave., Renton, WA. Potluck dinner at 6:00PM. The January meeting will be annual installation of officers and will be annual center.

Illustrious Master: IC Laurance Lance (425) 246-5816 laurence.lance@gmail.com
Recorder: VIC Geoffrey Joosten (206) 707-3296 geoffreyjoosten@comcast.net

King Solomon Council No. 27

Meets the 3rd Saturday of each month except for November and December. If the May meeting conflicts with Grand York Rite sessions, or the July meeting conflicts with the York Rite Picnic, the meeting will be on the 4th Saturday at King Solomon Masonic Temple, 10 Auburn Way S, Auburn, WA. Stated meeting at 10:00AM. Fellowship at 9:00AM.

Illustrious Master: IC Harold Hobbs (253) 347-2907 hobbsseatac@hotmail.com Recorder: RIC Mike Palko-Dean (253) 217-8192 dadmike@comcast.net

Fall City Council No. 28

Illustrious Master: IC Gerry O'Brien (425) 457-1330 gerry.obrien@gmail.com
Recorder: C Alex Dale Alex@snowycloud.com

Meets the 2nd Saturday in February, April, July, September and November at 3:30PM. Dinner usually follows as a combination with Falls City blue lodge members.

District No. 5:

Alpha Council No. 20

Meets the 1st Wednesday of January, March, May, September and November at the Centralia Masonic Temple, 218 N. Pearl St., Centralia, WA. Stated meeting at 7:30PM. Dinner at Country Cousin Restaurant, 1054 Harrison Ave., Centralia, WA, at 6:00PM.

Illustrious Master: VIC Clayton LaVigne (360) 338-7691 masonicbarber@yahoo.com
Recorder: IC John H. Vivian (360) 280-0154 jbarv1@hotmail.com

Cowlitz Council No. 10

Meets the 2nd Wednesday of February, May, and November at the Woodland-Kalama Masonic Center, 143 Davidson St., Woodland, WA. Dinner at 6:30PM. Stated meeting at 7:30PM.

Illustrious Master: IC Paul Waadivig (360) 772-3230 brotherpaul@gmail.com
Recorder: IC David Rice (513) 607-4586 mrd4808@gmail.com

District No. 6:

Ellensburg Council No. 26

Meets the 4th Thursday of each month at the Ellensburg Masonic Temple, 111 ½ W. 6th Ave., Ellensburg, WA, except July, August and Federal holidays. Meetings begin at 7:00PM.

Illustrious Master: IC Shawn Clerf (971) 361-2129 clerfs1869@gmail.com

Recorder: C Patrick Stanton (509) 674-1335 highplainsdrifter@rocketmail.com

District No. 7:

Zabud Council No. 7

Meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month, but formally opens only the months of February, May and November at the Walla Walla Masonic Center, 607 E. Main St., Walla Walla, WA, except June, July and August. Stated meetings at 7:30PM.

Illustrious Master: IC Sean Scanlon (541) 303-3821 sscanlon68@gmail.com
Recorder: VIC Phillip Woodland (509) 529-3781 woodlandforest@charter.net

Zadok Council No. 23

Meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month except for November and December at the Richland Masonic Temple, 412 Thayer Dr., Richland, WA. Stated meetings at 8:30PM. Dinner at 6:00PM when Official Visitation takes place.

Illustrious Master: IC Bret Tremble (509) 554-9971 marinedoctremble@gmail.com
Recorder: IC Charles Davis (509) 943-5843 cr_eddavis@frontier.com

District No. 8:

Spokane Council No. 4

Meets the 4th Thursday except November and December at the Spokane Masonic Center, 506 W. 2nd Ave., Spokane, WA. Stated meetings begin at 7:00pm.

Illustrious Master: IC Rob Daigen (509) 951-7219 sdoogy1@gmail.com

Recorder: C Jeff Pratt (509) 829-1084 christcarver135@hotmail.com

Commanderies of Knights Templar

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District No. 1

Cowlitz Commandery No. 29

Meets the second Wednesday of March, June, November, and December at the Woodland-Kalama Masonic Center, 143 Davidson Ave., Woodland, WA. Dinner at 6:30PM. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM.

| Eminent Commander: | SK Marvin Colburn | (360) 608-4015 | navyidc1980@gmail.com |
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| Eminent Recorder: | SK David A. Rice | (513) 607-4586 | mrd4808@gmail.com |

District No. 2

Ivanhoe Commandery No. 4

Meets the 1st Monday of each month at 817 S. Vassault Ave., Tacoma, WA. Dinner at 5:30PM at a nearby restaurant.

| Eminent Commander: | SK Alexander Jordan | (253) 625-3567 | xanderjoe81@gmail.com |
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| Eminent Recorder: | SK John W. Yeager | (253) 324-3701 | yeagerjohn@outlook.com |

De Molai Commandery No. 6

Meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Centralia Masonic Lodge, 218 N. Pearl St., Centralia, WA, except July and August. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM.

| Eminent Commander: | SK Shane Inman | (360) 941-0861 | slinman86@gmail.com |
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| Eminent Recorder: | SK John Vivian | (360) 280-0154 | jbarv@hotmail.com |

District No. 3

Seattle Commandery No. 2

Meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Seattle Scottish Rite Center, 1207 N. 152nd St., Shoreline, WA, except for June, July, August and December. Dinner at 6:30PM; stated meeting begins at 7:30PM.

Eminent Commander: SK Daniel Echo (562) 472-6567 daniel.c.echo@gmail.com

Eminent Recorder: SK Dale Newman (425) 330-2051 Dale@425lax.com

Rainier Commandery No. 28

Meets the 4th Thursday of each month at St. Andrews Masonic Center, 505 Williams Ave. S, Renton, WA, except for July, August, November and December. Potluck dinner at 6:30PM; stated meeting begins at 8:15PM.

Eminent Commander: SK James Panek (425) 974-5601 jamespanek@me.com

Eminent Recorder: SK Geoffrey Joosten (206) 707-3256 geoffreyjoosten@comcast.net

Fall City Commandery No. 30

Meets the 2nd Saturday of March, August and October and 1st Saturday of June at 3:30PM at Falls City Masonic Lodge, 4303 337th PI SE, Fall City, WA. Dinner following the meeting with Falls City Lodge.

Eminent Commander: SK Joshua Coutts (425) 615-1910 josh.l.coutts@gmail.com

Eminent Recorder: SK Paul Hoeffer feibao@gmail.com

District No. 4

Juan De Fuca Commandery No. 17

Meets the 3rd Tuesday of April, May and October at Franklin Lodge No. 5, 5 N. Rainier Ave., Port Gamble, WA. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM. Meets in conjunction with Angeles Chapter No. 38 and Juan de Fuca Commandery No. 17. Hosted dinners before Official Visits at 6:30PM, followed by stated meeting at 7:30PM. No meeting in July, August and December.

Eminent Commander: SK Clint Beyer (360) 640-1497 clintbeyer@olynet.com
Eminent Recorder: SK Jason Reeder (816) 668-7145 jason.d.reeder@gmail.com

Malta Commandery No. 18

Meets the 4th Monday of each month at the Bremerton Masonic Temple, 878 5th St., Bremerton, WA, except for July and August. Stated meeting begins at 8:00PM.

Eminent Commander: SK Jeff Steik (360) 801-2323 haun-steik@msn.com

Eminent Recorder: SK Scot Sageser (360) 228-9929 bremertonyorkrite1307@gmail.com

District No. 5

Hesperus Commandery No. 8

Meets the 1st Monday of each month at the Burlington United Masonic Center, 106 Warner St., Sedro Wooley, WA except for July and September (September meeting is held the last Monday of August due to Labor Day). Dinner at 6:30PM; stated meeting begins at 7:30PM.

Eminent Commander: SK Craig Bruner (360) 319-7163 craigwbruner@hotmail.com Eminent Recorder: SK Thom Baughn (360) 676-0419 tbaughn1@comcast.net

District No. 6

Temple Commandery No. 5

Meets the 1st Thursday of each month at the Ellensburg Masonic Temple, 111 ½ W 6th Ave., Ellensburg, WA, except July, August and Federal holidays. Stated meetings begin at 8:00PM (meeting will be at 7:30PM when OV is scheduled).

Eminent Commander: SK Shawn Clerf (971) 361-2129 clerfs1869@gmail.com

Eminent Recorder: SK Patrick Stanton (509) 859-2067 highplainsdrifter@rocketmail.com

District No. 7

Cataract Commandery No. 3

Meets 4th Thursday except November and December at the Spokane Masonic Center, 506 W. 2nd Ave., Spokane, WA. Stated meetings begin at 8:00pm.

Eminent Commander: SK Jeff Pratt (509) 222-8458 jeff.pratt1953@gmail.com Eminent Recorder: SK Fred Mark (509) 499-8932 indy33fsmark@gmail.com

District No. 8

Washington Commandery No. 1

Meets the 2nd Wednesday of March, September and December at the Walla Walla Masonic Center, 607 E. Main St., Walla Walla, WA, except July and August. The June meeting will be held on the 4th Wednesday. Stated meetings begin at 7:30PM.

Eminent Commander: SK Anton M Lodmell (509) 525-6415 None

Eminent Recorder: SK Steven L. Kazda (509) 629-9103 skazda@pomeroy-wa.com

Pasco Commandery No. 21

Meets the 4th Wednesday of each month except for November and December at the Richland Masonic Temple, 412 Thayer St., Richland, WA. Stated meeting begins at 7:00PM. Dinner at 6:00PM when Official Visitation takes place.

Eminent Commander: SK Richard Redick (509) 737-7120 sealedN4head@gmail.com Eminent Recorder: SK Charles Davis (509) 943-5843 cr_eddavis@frontier.com

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VEDB Alexander Jordan VEDB Michael Holland Deputy Grand Governor—Eastside

York Rite College Grand Governor's Message

No input.

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Kamiakin York Rite College No. 28

Governor: PCK Fred Mark (509) 499-8932 indy33fsmark@gmail.com Secretary: ECK Charles Davis (509) 943-5843 cr_eddavis@frontier.com

Kamiakin College meets in Spokane the 2nd Saturday in November and in Richland the 1st Saturday in May. The November meeting will commence at 10:00AM.

Rainier York Rite College No. 54

Governor: PCK Gerry O'Brien (425) 457-1330 gerry.obrien@gmail.com Secretary: PCK Jerry Whitney (206) 241-7510 jrwitnee@comcast.net

Rainier College meets the 1st Saturday in November, February, and May at 10:00AM at Damascus Lodge No. 199 in Granite Falls.

Tahoma York Rite College No. 197

Governor: PCK David Aponte (253) 592-4401 regc2011@live.com
Secretary: ECK Joseph McAlister (253) 241-0358 airborne51@me.com

Tahoma College meets the 4th Saturday of February, April and October. Contact the Secretary for time and place

Evergreen Priory No. 41 KYCH



Knights of the York Cross of Honour 2025-2026

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Joseph McAlister Deputy Prior

Jay White Warder

David Aponte, PP Registrar

Charles Davis Prelate

Alexander Jordan Orator

David Sandretto Herald

Earl Fordham Sentinel

VE Jeremy C. Vaughn, PP Personal Representative District No. 24

Evergreen Priory No. 41 stated meeting will be held on Saturday, October 25th at 1:00PM at the Ellensburg Masonic Temple.

Convent General Knights of the York Cross of Honour 2024-2025

ME James C. McGee Most Eminent Grand Master-General

RE Right Eminent Deputy Grand Master-General

RE H. Bart Henderson Right Eminent Grand Warder of the Temple RE Reese L. Harrison, Jr. Right Eminent Grand Treasurer-General

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November 8th: Ladies' Holiday Dinner at Ivar's Salmon House, 401 NE Northlake Way, Seattle. Begins at 5:00PM. Saturday, November 8, 2025. Tuxedo and Jewel.

January 3rd, 2026: Annual Assembly at Tacoma Scottish Rite, 817 S. Vassault S., Tacoma. Begins at 4:00PM. Tuxedo and Regalia.

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Stated meeting will be held on October 25th at 3:00PM at the Ellensburg Masonic Temple. We have proposals to ballot on and election officers.

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Donald Beck
Secretary
Almoner

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Herald

Anthony Schwab Doorkeeper

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Stated meeting will take place on Saturday, November 1st at 2:00PM after the Rainier York Rite College meeting at Damascus Lodge No. 199 in Granite Falls.

Clontarf Council No. 69 Knight Masons



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The next stated meeting of Clontarf Council No. 69 will take place on October 4th, 2025 in Pullman, WA. The spring meeting will take place on March 7th, 2026 in Bremerton, WA



Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests



Immaculate Tabernacle No. XXXIX

Alan T. Spreen
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Richard Roblee
David Sandretto
John Burrage
Geoffrey Joosten
David Aponte
Alex Jordan
Joseph McAlister
Charles Davis
Patrick Stanton
Peputy Preceptor
Deputy Preceptor
Fifth Pillar
Fourth Pillar
Second Pillar
First Pillar
Inner Guard
Outer Guard
Registrar

Immaculate Tabernacle No. XXXIX will be on October 25th at 10:00AM at the Ellensburg Masonic Temple.



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Washington Masonic Services (formerly Washington Masonic Charities)



The first priority listed in our mission at Washington Masonic Services (WAMS) is assisting Masons and other community members in need, focusing on aging in place and securing resources for critical essentials. We do this primarily through the work of our case managers, who are each Certified Senior Advisors (CSA). Earning the CSA certification requires individuals to pass a rigorous exam and to uphold the highest ethical standards for the benefit and protection of the health and welfare of seniors.

To maintain their certification, CSAs must complete ongoing continuing education requirements. In their work delivering our Outreach Services program, these professionals bring both their significant expertise and abundant compassion to bear on behalf of the Masonic Family and others needing critical services.

The CSA's paramount focus is to help their clients lead meaningful and dignified lives, providing peace of mind to both the senior and their loved ones. Their efforts involve activities like home safety assessments, finding care resources, streamlining finances, and connecting clients with volunteer and agency resources to help with independent living as well as skilled care. Depending on the situation, WAMS may be able to provide some charitable assistance for expenses like minor home repairs or modifications, or durable medical equipment.

Of just as much value, though, is the warmth and emotional support they provide during what are frequently very challenging days. One of our CSA's recently helped a Mason who reached out for support dealing with his wife's memory issues. Among other needs, the Brother's wife had started trying to leave their home both during the day and at night, causing him great concern. He had a lot on his plate. Our CSA worked with him to do an assessment of their situation. From that, she connected them with care-giving services so there wasn't so much for him to do each day, and suggested the installation of door alarms to help ensure her safety during the night and a timer for the oven to make sure it couldn't be turned on without proper supervision. Her actions brought safety, peace of mind, and a better night's sleep!

Our Outreach Services are here for Masons, their families, and other people in the community facing urgent, critical needs that can't be met through alternate resources. We're seeking to identify a WAMS Lodge Liaison to be each Lodge's dedicated representative, acting as a resource to help connect members to our programs, especially Outreach Services. Thank you to the Liaisons who've already volunteered for this important role. For more information, go to www.masonscare.org/lodge-liaison/.

We're looking forward to partnering with you to support the Masonic family and your communities throughout this year.

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