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SK Jeffrey Harden	Eminent Grand Warder
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Bryan D. Bechler	Thrice Illustrious Grand Recorder
Earl Fordham	Thrice Illustrious Grand Chaplain
Michael Palko-Dean	Thrice Illustrious Grand Steward
E. Jeffrey Craig	Thrice Illustrious Grand Sentinel

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SK Jeffrey Steik	Junior Warden
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SK Alan Spreen	Prelate
SK Charles Davis	Warder
SK John Yeager	Sentinel

General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons International 2023-2026

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REC Reed Fanning	General Grand Scribe
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MEC Bryan D. Bechler	Ambassador to Washington

General Grand Council Cryptic Masons International 2023-2026

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RPC Charles A. McCollum	General Grand Treasurer
RPC Mark Irwin	General Grand Recorder
RPC Rabi K. Peifer	Deputy General Grand Master—NW Region
VPC Richard Roblee	Ambassador to Washington

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SK David J. Kussman	Most Eminent Grand Master
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SK Lawrence E. Tucker	Right Eminent Grand Recorder
SK Terry L. Plemons	Right Eminent Grand Prelate
SK E. Jeffrey Craig	Right Eminent Northwest Department Commander

Grand High Priest's Message



Greetings Companions:

Official Visit: Attended Oregon Grand Sessions at the Monarch Hotel in Clackamas, OR. Had a great time visiting with Right Excellent Companion Don Moore, Grand Scribe. REC David Sandretto, Deputy Grand High Priest and REC John Burrage, Grand King were also in attendance. On April 23rd, I attended Pasco Chapter No. 33. VEC Charles Davis arranged for a table chapter – the first of the year! A good time was had by all. VEC Charles will be the official representative at DeMolay Washington also. REC David Sandretto, DGHP attended Idaho Grand Sessions as the official representative for Grand Chapter.

Message: And just like that one year has gone by! The Grand Convocation is approaching and will be convened at the Windrow Hotel in Ellensburg, WA on Friday, May 9, 2025. I hope you are planning to attend. The Honorarium of Holy Order of the High Priesthood (HOHP), for current or past high priests, will be held on Thursday, May 8th, 2025 at the same location. Register early or on site with MEC Don Beck.

I have very much enjoyed my visits to the chapters and trips throughout the region this past year, especially the Grand Masters Class. What a joyous occasion that turned out to be! I thank you all for having had the opportunity to serve this Grand Chapter, and I wish the very best for the incoming officers, and for the future of this Grand Chapter.

As I write this article I am distracted by the loss of Companion Al Jorgensen. Our Most Worshipful Brother, who was unexpectedly called to serve in that great lodge above, not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. Companion Al installed me as the Worshipful Master of Maritime Lodge No. 239 in 2006, almost 20 years ago! As I warmly reflect on what a good and great man MWB Al was, I am remembering my Blue lodge lessons and lectures. The General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons offers the following excerpt from their funeral ceremony.

Companions, man goeth forth to his work and to his labor until the evening of his day. The labors of our companion are now ended; with him there is now no more counsel or device; and we are here assembled to introduce him to the place prepared for all the living; solemn and impressive as is the survey of human life,

its lights and shades are so blended as to teach us that all on earth is change. As the lightning writes its fiery path on the dark cloud and soon expires, so the race of man, walking amid the shades of mortality, glitters for a moment through the dark gloom, then vanishes from our sight forever.

But, is this the end of man, and the expiring hope of faithful Masons? No; thanks be to God, who giveth us the victory! As the embers of mortal life are feebly glimmering in the socket of existence, the doctrines contained in the Great Light of our profession remove the dark cloud, draw aside the sable curtains of the tomb, and awaken hope and joy to sustain and cheer the departing spirit.

Forasmuch as it has pleased Almighty God to take unto himself the soul of our departed brother, we therefore commit his body to the ground; earth to earth, dust to dust, ashes to ashes, in the sure and certain hope that this corruption must put on incorruption, and this mortal put on immortality.

The Lord bless us and keep us; the Lord make his face to shine upon us and be gracious unto us; the Lord lift upon us the light of his countenance and give us peace. Amen.

Fraternally,

MEC Rabi K. Peifer
Grand High Priest
Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Washington

GRAND CHAPTER

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Illustrious Grand Master's Message



Greetings Companions All,

I would like to thank you all for the opportunity to represent you and the Grand Council over the last 12 months. It has been an absolute pleasure to visit each Council within our jurisdiction. Our numbers have grown by a grand total of six this year. It may not seem like a lot, but with the loss of many Companions through non-payments of dues, demits, and being called home to the embrace of the Great Architect of the Universe, it does leave us on the plus side, which is an achievement we should all celebrate.

I would be remiss not to recognize the loss of Most Illustrious Companion Al Luberts and Illustrious Companion Al Jorgensen, both members of King Solomon Council No. 27.

I thank all of you for the support, friendship, fellowship, and hospitality all of you have shown me. With your assistance, we have raised \$1200.00 for the Cryptic Mason Medical Research Foundation through the sale of the Grand Masters Coins. Great job my Companions!

It is my hope that I have provided a little education, a little guidance, and left the Grand Council at least a little better than when I found it.

Once again, thank you for all your support. I hope to see you at Grand Sessions in just a few days!

Fraternally,

MIC Joseph McAlister
Most Illustrious Grand Master
Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of Washington

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Grand Commander's Message



Sir Knights, it is May, and you know what that means! It's time for our annual sessions and time for you get to get rid of me and my ramblings. But not before I ramble one last time. As you know, my year was focused on Fraternalism and as I traveled our jurisdiction, I have seen some great examples of this, and some traditions that haven't been forgotten. Our Landmarks are important not just because that is the way we have always done it but for what they can teach us. It is always the simple things that seem to trip us up and cause the most problems.

Sometimes things are as simple as communication, this article for instance. You decide as the reader whether it is sarcastic, informative, friendly or in jest. The truth of the matter is it is written with Brotherly Love and Respect. To me it seems the biggest problem we deal with is communication. It can also be one of the simplest problems we have to solve, if we just slow down, listen to what is being said and know there is always a solution. We are obligated to look after one another, to make amends where we can (Not where we want to).

My year is over, and my hope is that if nothing else I may have brought some positivity to you in my visitations or through my messages, because to just do no harm wouldn't be good enough. Although as Grand Commander this is my good-bye. I plan to be as active as possible in the Commandry in the future. I am Proud to be a Templar and Honored beyond words that you picked me to serve as your Grand Commander. I hope I have served you well and am sure that the Sir Knights in the line progressing behind me will by far succeed my progress. Remember Sir Knights, stay positive keep your spirits up. It isn't always easy but it is always worth it. Don't forget we are looking for people to form a statewide drill team. Please contact John Vivian and let him know you are interested.

And last but not least be well and God Bless you.

Sincerely and fraternally,

SK Barron J. White, REGC
Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Washington

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Royal Arch Masons
Children's Heart Foundation Inc.

P.O. Box 223, Marysville, Washington 98270 Phone: (360) 658-4581 or (800) 813-9900 email: RAMCHF@comcast.net

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

Companions!

Well, May is here. I hope to see you at sessions as it should be a fun and exciting time on many levels. New leaders, new commitments, new challenges and with luck a renewed hope. My time as President has come to an end with the Foundation and I have enjoyed being your representative for the past few years. My hope for the future is that we can all work together to get past what has come between us and move forward. The Companions that started this Foundation knew that change was bound to happen as nothing stays the same forever. Sometimes we must adapt to the changes in a way that best fits the needs of whom we serve. I, for one, am okay with that because I would rather serve someone and do good by them than continue the way I am comfortable and cause harm. I have tried to get the office moved to reduce the expenses of running the office. We have a site ready and are mostly moved into, in Benton City at the Benton Masonic Temple. There are just a few time-preventive things that have been holding us back. There is new swag still available. We did a remake of our tri-fold, and even managed to bring on a new Trustee or two as well as start the process of going through the trustee booklet to update them. If you are a Trustee, I hope you can make it to Sessions on Friday. It is my hope that we will meet as soon after Grand Council closes to have our annual meeting and elect officers. Namely a New President! Again, thank you for giving me the honor of serving as your President for the time I have. I really have learned a lot and it has meant the world to me to have earned your trust and respect. This is not Good-Bye but it is just time for a new adventure. Remember every dollar counts!

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

VEC Jay White, President

(509) 851-2355

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Treasurer's Report

Ending balances as of 3/31/25

Checking: \$49,131.01
Savings: \$22,791.20
Investments: \$3,435,922.05

Bills as of 3/31/25—All are approved budgeted items
\$579.33 ADT, Comcast and PUD

Thank you to the companions that continue to make our Foundation an amazing part of Washington State Royal Arch Masonry.

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.

VEC Jimmy Norton, Treasurer
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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 one 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

May 2025

YORK RITE LIFE MEMBERSHIP MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

Companions & Sir Knights:

Distribution checks were sent out; however, there has been an issue as the account number on the check is incorrect and banks are not accepting them. This has been rectified and new checks will be brought to the Grand York Rite sessions in Ellensburg. Anyone who may not be attending will have the checks sent to them.

We are approaching the time for our distributions from the foundation to be mailed out. Last year, there were four Body Groups that didn't have addresses in MMS that would receive mail; therefore, the checks were returned and cost the foundation additional funds to remail them.

There is one group that never cashed their checks. An attempt will be made to get these distributions to the correct recipient this year.

I am pleading with the Secretaries and Recorders to ensure there is a mailing address in MMS for their body. I am requesting the High Priests, Illustrious Masters, and Commanders to check that this is done. This will ensure that the checks are delivered the first time correctly.

Dave Grindle, Treasurer

York Rite Life Membership Memorial Foundation Board Roster for 2024-2025

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John Brett, Secretary
Jon Lind

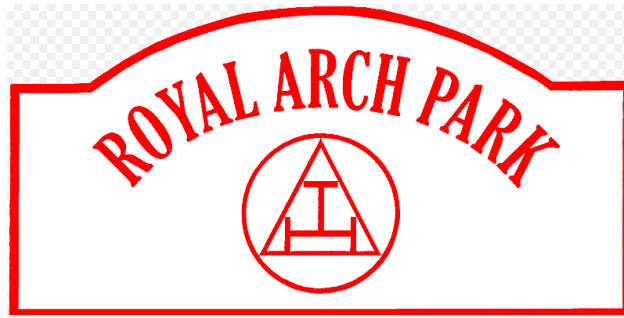
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Grand Council:
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David Grindle, Treasurer
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Grand Commandery:
John Vivian
James Nero
Ron Graham

SK Barron J. White (Ex-Officio)



Greetings Companions,

The park had a successful season for 2024. We hosted several camps for the youth, several corporate picnics, graduation parties and several family reunions, as well as community groups and Haunted Forest. We continue to gain new renters each year, which helps to give exposure to our beautiful park.

It is still very busy in the park as we start spring with regular maintenance and *cleaning* up. We cleaned up all the trees that came down during the November windstorm. We have also replanted the damaged area around the degree grounds.

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

A big thank you to all who volunteered to help make the 2024 season successful as well as helping us get ready for the 2025 season. The Haunted Forest had about 30 volunteers to help with the cleanup.

The park has many events booked for 2025. If you are wanting a rental, please let us know. Our rental season has started early this year with reservations made for at least one event every month.

Spring is finally upon us and the trees are getting there leaves and the grass is growing like crazy. You can't even tell now that winter left us a mess!

Best Regards,

Companion Jeff Long
RAP Board President



Upcoming Events

Official Visits/Upcoming Events—May/June 2025

May 8th: Holy Order of High Priesthood
Order of the Silver Trowel
Reuben W. Baer Past Commanders Association

May 9th: Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons
Grand Council Royal & Select Masters

May 10th: Grand Commandery of Knights Templar

All events will take place at the Hotel Windrow in Ellensburg.

Come join us for the first-ever presentation of the Cigar & Whiskey Degree in Washington state. You can bring your own “cigar” (real or not). There will be libations for the degree or for those who may not drink, anything will do. This is NOT a Masonic degree, so ANYONE can participate! The cost is \$35.00 which will make you a member of Washington Humidor. Cash is preferred, but checks can be made payable to: Bryan Bechler. All proceeds will be donated to CMMRF. And yes, you DO get a lapel pin! Information as to the day and time will be provided at sessions.



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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) 678-6893	windma@isomedia.com
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District #2:

Snohomish County Chapter No. 15

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

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

Fellowship Chapter No. 61

Meets the 2nd Tuesday at Ashlar Masonic Temple, 10035 1/2 Main St., Bothell, WA, except for July and August. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM. Dinner at 6:30PM.

High Priest:	EC Dan Echo	(562) 472-6567	daniel.c.echo@gmail.com
Secretary:	VEC Jimmy Norton	(206) 542-3413	jnortonjr@comcast.net

District #3:

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) 351-0566	johnhannaman@comcast.net
Secretary:	EC Geoffrey Joosten	(206) 707-3296	geoffreyjoosten@comcast.net

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

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 Gerry O'Brien	(425) 457-1330	gerry.obrien@gmail.com
Secretary:	C Nick Michaud	(206) 459-0155	Nickalan@comcast.net

District #4:

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) 302-7144	caverlyj@gmail.com
Secretary:	VEC Mike Palko-Dean	(253) 217-8192	dadmike@comcast.net

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, **PLEASE** 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 #5:

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:	EC John Yeager	(253) 324-3701	yeagerjohn@outlook.com
Secretary:	EC James Nero	(253) 227-1178	jnero28@hotmail.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) 640-1497	clintbeyer@olynet.com
Secretary:	C Rocky Catlett	(360) 621-6190	rockyjulia84@hotmail.com

District #6:

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) 941-0861	slinman87@gmail.com
Secretary:	VEC John H. Vivian	(360) 280-0154	jbarv1@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 #7:

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

Pasco Chapter No. 33

Meets on the 4th Wednesday in January, April, July and October 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 7:30PM. Dinner at 6:00PM when Official Visitation takes place.

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

District #8:

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

District #9:

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 Jeff Pratt	(509) 222-8458	jeff.pratt1953@gmail.com
Secretary:	VEC Fred Mark	(509) 499-8932	Fsmark3@outlook.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

Okanogan Valley Chapter No. 41—Charter Arrested by Grand High Priest

Meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Trinity Episcopal Church (annex), 604 Central Ave., Oroville, WA, except January, February, July and August. Stated meetings begin at 7:30PM. If the May Convocation conflicts with Grand Chapter, it shall be held on the fourth Monday.

High Priest:	VEC Rick Kelly	(509) 476-2856	gto@gdicom.net
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Arch 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
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Arch 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:	VIC Marion Windel (PT)	(360) 678-6893	winda@isomedia.com
Recorder:	VIC Douglas Jerome	(360) 672-0459	jammerguy1@gmail.com

Arch 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

Arch 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 John Brett	(253) 265-3870	jmbrett99@yahoo.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 announced at that time.

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	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.

Arch 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

Arch 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

Arch 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 4th Wednesday of February, May, and August at the Richland Masonic Temple, 412 Thayer Dr., Richland, WA. Stated meetings at 7:30PM. On all other months it opens informally in association with Pasco Chapter No. 33 and Pasco Commandery No. 21. Dark in November and December. 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

Arch 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:	VIC Cory Starr	(509) 290-4666	Fraternalstarr@gmail.com
Recorder:	VIC Fred S. Mark	(509) 499-8932	Fsmark3@outlook.com

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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
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
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
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:			

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 Rocky Catlett	(360) 621-6190	rockyjulia84@hotmail.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 Jon Lind	(509) 936-9536	jlind118@gmail.com
Eminent Recorder:	SK Fred Mark	(509) 499-8932	Fsmark3@outlook.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 March, June, and September at the Richland Masonic Temple, 412 Thayer St., Richland, WA. Stated meeting begins at 7:30PM. On all other months it opens informally in association with Zadok Council No. 23 and Pasco Chapter No. 33. Dark in November and December. Dinner at 6:00PM when Official Visitation takes place.

Eminent Commander:	SK Richard Redick	(509) 737-7120	sealedN4head@gmail.com
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York Rite College Grand Governor's Message

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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

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Secretary:	PCK Jerry Whitney	(206) 241-7510	jrwhitnee@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

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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

Alan Spreen	Eminent Prior
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 Leland L. Burlison	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
RE D. Allen Surratt	Right Eminent Grand Registrar-General
RE Charles A. McCollom	Right Eminent Grand Seneschal
RE Christopher A. Larsen II	Right Eminent Grand Marshal
RE Bryan D. Bechler	Right Eminent Grand Sentinel
E Craig L. Flagtwet	Eminent Grand Prelate
E Rick N. McCampbell	Eminent Grand Organist

United Grand Imperial Council of the Red Cross of Constantine



St. Alban Conclave

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Alexander J. Jordan	Senior General
Jeffery A. Steik	Junior General
Geoffrey S. Joosten, PS	Treasurer
Rabi K. Peifer, PS	Recorder
Patrick C. Stanton	Prelate
John S. Burrage	Prefect
B. Jay White	Standard Bearer
John A. Catlett, III	Herald
David L. Sandretto	Sentinel
Earl W. Fordham	Orator

July 19th: Family Picnic at the Royal Arch Park, 20821 Renton Maple Valley Rd. SE, Maple Valley. Begins at 10:00AM

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.

St. Olav Conclave

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Bryan D. Bechler, PS	Recorder
John H. Vivian	Prelate
Bartly R. Webster	Orator
Michael Smitson	Prefect
Alan Spreen	Standard Bearer
Scot Sageser PS	Herald
Jimmy Norton	Sentinel

St. Raphael Conclave

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Tom Hodges	Senior General
Fred Mark	Junior General
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Merle Iversen, PS	Recorder
Phillip Woodland	Prelate
Bobby Baxter	Prefect
John Lind	Standard Bearer
Sean Scanlon, PS	Herald
Michael Holland	Sentinel
	Orator

Pacific Council No. 30 Allied Masonic Degrees



VB James Scardelis	Sovereign Master
Bro. Michael Palko-Dean	Senior Warden
Bro. Jeff Steik	Junior Warden
VB David A. Aponte	Secretary/Treasurer
Bro. Anthony J. Annable	Senior Deacon
Bro. John Yeager	Junior Deacon
VB Alexander Jordan	Chaplain
Bro. John Burrage	Tyley

Desert Council No. 46 Allied Masonic Degrees

VB Eugene Endslow	Sovereign Master
Bobby Baxter	Senior Warden
Fred Mark	Junior Warden
Merle I. Iversen	Secretary
Jon Lind	Senior Deacon
Tom Hodgins	Junior Deacon
Phillip Woodland	Chaplain
James Endslow	Tyler

Chinook Council No. 77 Allied Masonic Degrees

VB Richard Brzustowitz	Sovereign Master
Bro. David Flood	Senior Warden
	Junior Warden
VB Richard M. Kovak	Secretary/Treasurer
	Senior Deacon
	Junior Deacon
VB E. Jeffrey Craig	Chaplain
	Tyler

The Commemorative Order of St. Thomas of Acon



Tahoma Chapel No. 3

Rabi Peifer	Worthy Master
Anthony Annable	Eminent Prior
Scot Sageser	Marshal
Jeff Steik	Deputy Marshal
John Yeager	Treasurer
Alexander Jordan	Secretary
James Nero	Almoner
Michael R. Pursey	1 st Working Knight
Jay White	2 nd Working Knight
Michael A. Smitson	3 rd Working Knight
Joseph Einertson	4 th Working Knight
Alan Spreen	Herald
David Sandretto	Doorkeeper
	Cellarer
	Cellarer
Bobby Baxter	Sentry

Cascade Chapel No. 20

Lawrence Lance	Worthy Master
Geoffrey S. Joosten	Eminent Prior
Gerry O'Brien	Marshal
Joshua Coutts	Deputy Marshal
Richard M. Kovak	Treasurer
Bryan D. Bechler	Secretary
Donald Beck	Almoner
	1 st Working Knight
	2 nd Working Knight
	3 rd Working Knight
	4 th Working Knight
	Herald
Anthony Schwab	Doorkeeper
	Cellarer
	Cellarer
	Sentry

Clontarf Council No. 69 Knight Masons



Joseph Einertson	Excellent Chief
Geoffrey Joosten	Senior Knight
Daniel Sandretto	Junior Knight
Rabi Peifer, KCZ	Scribe
Barron "Jay" White	Treasurer
James Nero	Senior Warden
Patrick Stanton	Junior Warden
John Ridenour	Director of Ceremonies
Joseph McAlister, KCZ	Priest
Jeffrey Steik	Steward
Bobby Baxter	Sentinel
Todd Mears	Tyler

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	Preceptor
John Hannaman	Deputy Preceptor
Ricardo Barrientes	Seventh Pillar
Richard Roblee	Sixth Pillar
David Sandretto	Fifth Pillar
John Burrage	Fourth Pillar
Geoffrey Joosten	Third Pillar
David Aponte	Second Pillar
Alex Jordan	First Pillar
Joseph McAlister	Inner Guard
Charles Davis	Outer Guard
Patrick Stanton	Registrar

The Immaculate Tabernacle XXIX Annual Picnic Will be in Ellensburg on July 12th from 10:00AM to 2:00PM at North Alder Park, located at: 2400 N Alder St, Ellensburg, WA 98926.



The Masonic Order of Athelstan of the United States of America

**Salish Court No. 96
2024-2025**

WB Johnny A. Willis	Worshipful Master
Bro. Paul A. Gehrman	Eminent Prior
Bro. Geoffrey S. Joosten	Senior Warden
Bro. Michael Palko-Dean	Junior Warden
WB Steven L. Dazey, PM	Treasurer
RWB David A. Grindle, PM	Secretary
WB Joseph L. McAlister, PM	Asst. Secretary
Bro. David A. Aponte	Marshal
Bro. Matt P. Benavidez	Deputy Marshal
Bro. Rabi K. Peifer	Almoner
Bro. Connor W. Massey	Senior Deacon
Bro. Barry E. Newell	Junior Deacon
Bro. Kim Bowman	Captain of Guard
WB Anthony C. Schwab, PM	Burgh
Bro. Monte K. Anderson	Burgh
Bro. Scot P. Sageser	Burgh
Bro. Alvin W. Jorgenson	Burgh
Bro. Laurence W. Lance	Burgh
WB Alexander J. Jordan	Burgh
WB E. Jeffrey Craig, PM	Guard
WB Joseph L. McAlister	Immediate Past Master

**Stated meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 30th at Myrtle Lodge in Issaquah at
7:00PM.**

The Masonic Order of Athelstan of the United States of America

MWB D. Allen Surratt	Grand Master
RWB Bryce B. Hildreth	Deputy Grand Master
RWB Orville R. Armstrong	Assistant Grand Master
RWB Russell E. Bridgs	Assistant Grand Master
WB Ballard L. Smith	Eminent Grand Prior
WB Stanton T. Brown II	Senior Grand Warden
VW James E. Winzenreid	Junior Grand Warden
WB E. Oscar Alleyne	President of the Grand Witan
WB Charles E. Maddox	Pres. Of the Disciplinary, Appeals & Clemency Com.
WB Patrick C. Carr	Grand Marshal
WB William C. Chriscoe	Grand Treasurer
WB J. David Cashion	Grand Secretary
WB Joshua A. Bristol	Deputy Grand Secretary
WB Corey F. G. Curtiss	Grand Registrar
WB Robert G. Officer	Deputy Eminent Grand Prior
RWB Jarrod Adkisson	Grand High Almoner
WB Michael S. Doxsee	Deputy Grand Marshall
WB John H. Donohoo	Deputy Grand Marshall
WB Mohamad A. Yatim	Deputy Grand Marshall
WB Robert Y. Chan	Senior Grand Deacon
WB Jackie W. Matthews	Junior Grand Deacon
Bro. Ricky N. McCampbell	Grand Organist
WB Christopher L. Hall	Grand Sword Bearer
WB John A. Bridegroom	Grand Lecturer
WB John M. Klaus	Grand Historian
WB J. William Riggs	Grand Banner Bearer
WB Judd J. Wolfe	Deputy Grand Banner Bearer
WB Kevin B. Sample	Grand Captain of the Guards
WB Peter S. Jensen	Deputy Grand Captain of the Guards
WB Teko A. Foley	Burgh
WB Lawrence E. Tucker	Burgh
WB William G. Snyder	Burgh
RWB David A. Grindle	Burgh
WB Lawrence J. Williams	Burgh
WB John R. Bowker	Grand Guard
WB Mike W. Klinger	Deputy Grand Guard

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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