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SK Barron Jay White	Right Eminent Grand Commander
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SK Mikhail Munden	Eminent Grand Junior Warden
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SK Jason Reeder	Eminent Grand Standard Bearer
SK Bret Tremble	Eminent Grand Sword Bearer
SK Jeffrey Harden	Eminent Grand Warder
SK John C. Lind	Eminent Grand Sentinel
SK Bryan D. Bechler, REPGC	Eminent Grand Historian
SK Michael Holland	Eminent Grand Musician

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Grand Council of Thrice Illustrious Masters 2024-2025

David Aponte	Thrice Illustrious Grand Master
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Bryan D. Bechler	Thrice Illustrious Grand Recorder
Earl Fordham	Thrice Illustrious Grand Chaplain
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E. Jeffrey Craig	Thrice Illustrious Grand Sentinel

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SK Jeffrey Steik	Junior Warden
SK David Aponte	Recorder
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

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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 James C. McGee	Right Eminent Grand Captain General
SK David W. Studley	Right Eminent Grand Treasurer
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: Visited Snohomish County No. 15 on Monday February 17th. A nice dinner preceded the meeting. VEC Roger Pankey and EC William Meyring ran a succinct meeting. Snohomish Chapter No. 15 and Fellowship Chapter No. 61 are in the process of merging. Hopefully the merger will bring more companions to meetings in the future.

Grand Masters Class: This past weekend we had over 95 masons attend the Grand Masters Class in Ellensburg, with almost fifty candidates from Washington, Oregon and Idaho. Not only was the MW Jimmy Norton, Grand Master in attendance but also the RW Roger Nelson, Deputy Grand Master and RW Bill Hubbard, Junior Grand Warden. A festive board style banquet was well attendant Friday night with commemorative glass etched canons. All in all it was a terrific weekend and I'm excited for Grand Sessions in May at the same hotel.

It takes lots of hard work and volunteered time of many to pull off a successful two day conferral. Special thanks to the degree coordinators, REC David Sandretto, REC John Burrage, REC Don Moore, IC John Yeager, SK Richard Roblee and everyone who participated in the degrees. Very special thanks to the MEC Patrick Stanton and all the Ellensburg Companions for the use of their lodge building. It was a challenge to work with so many people but they made it a success!

And finally, the York Rite LLC did a phenomenal job of coordinating with the hotel, caterer, and tracking finances. VEC Jeff Steik designed the GMC logo and coordinated purchase of the commemorative bags. VEC Geoffrey Joosten coordinated registration and meals. And REC Tom Christie, Grand Secretary and RIC David Aponte, Grand Recorder designed certificates and coordinated courtesy work with the out of staters. A job well done all around!

Cutoff Dates: Committee Reports are due 60 days before Grand Sessions (March 12, 2025), to the Grand Secretary.

Get Real Get Better Challenge due (March 15, 2025) to the Grand High Priest from each Chapter High Priest and/or Secretary. See letter 2024-20 titled "Get Real Get Better (GRGB) Challenge".

Fraternally,

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

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Illustrious Grand Master's Message



Greetings Companions All,

Cryptic Masonry and Self-Improvement

Cryptic Masonry, also known as the Royal and Select Masters, is a branch of Freemasonry that emphasizes the themes of knowledge, moral integrity, and personal growth. It is considered a progressive step in the Masonic journey, following the Blue Lodge degrees, which lay the foundational principles of Freemasonry.

Historically, the Cryptic degrees were established in the 18th century, primarily in North America. They delve into the allegorical teachings connected to Biblical narratives, particularly focusing on the legends surrounding King Solomon's Temple. Members, often referred to as Royal and Select Masters, engage in the study of esoteric symbols and rituals, which aim to impart important life lessons about virtue, ethics, and community service.

The Role of Rituals in Self-Improvement

At the heart of Cryptic Masonry are the rituals and teachings that guide members in their personal development. The degree work involves allegorical lessons that emphasize the importance of individuality and the necessity of striving for a higher moral ground. Engaging in these rituals can offer participants a structured path for reflection and self-improvement.

1. **Self-Reflection:** The teachings encourage introspection and self-examination. By examining one's actions and motivations, members can gain insights that are vital for personal growth.
2. **Ethical Living:** Cryptic Masonry places a significant emphasis on ethics and moral conduct. By adhering to these principles, individuals cultivate integrity and respect, which can enhance their relationships and standing within the community.
3. **Community and Service:** Membership often encourages involvement in charitable activities and community service. This not only fosters a sense of belonging but also nurtures empathy and compassion, which are essential traits for personal development.

4. **Mentorship and Guidance:** Within the Cryptic Masonic structure, members often find mentorship opportunities. Experienced members guide juniors in exploring the deeper meanings of the teachings, facilitating both social connections and personal insights.
5. **Finding Balance: The External and Internal Journey**

The dual focus of Cryptic Masonry on external community contributions and internal self-improvement creates a balanced approach to personal development. While members engage in rituals and serve their communities, they are also encouraged to pursue personal goals and aspirations. This holistic approach helps individuals navigate life's challenges while continuously striving for betterment.

Conclusion

Cryptic Masonry offers a unique framework for self-improvement through its rich traditions, rituals, and community engagement. By participating in its teachings, individuals can explore personal growth while also contributing positively to society. The path of self-improvement taken within this Masonic context not only enhances individual lives but can also ripple out to create a more supportive and ethically sound community. In essence, Cryptic Masonry serves as both a mirror reflecting personal virtues and a bridge fostering collective strength, making it an intriguing avenue for those interested in the journey of self-discovery and ethical living

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—

Well, another month in the books and unfortunately mother nature just did not want me to visit my fellow Sir Knights of Hesperus Commandry. I am truly sorry we didn't get to spend a meeting together as I was looking forward to it. As I write this article, we are less than a week away from the Grand Masters Class. And even though it hasn't started some impressive things have happened.

- 1. Members from all over the state and some from out of state have stepped up to take roles and participate.**
- 2. The LLC has worked to prepare an experience that should be enjoyable for all of us.**
- 3. Ellensburg Lodge, Chapter, Council, and Commandry have worked to get their building ready for us.**
- 4. As of right now there are 44 candidates signed up to join our craft. MEC Rabi has an excellent table chapter planned. I know that VEDGC SK Richard Roblee and the Rituals and Tactics Committee have put together the cast for the Order of the Temple and have asked Ranier Commandry and Cataract Commandry to put on the order of Malta and Red Cross. I really can't wait it should be a great weekend.**

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 SK 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.

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

Companions!

How are you doing? Are you ready to thaw out? Just remember, in July and August when you say it is too hot out January and February are asking how do you like me now? Companions, I have done my best to represent YOUR foundation over the past years I have been President. I have faced some criticism which is to be expected, and I have had more than my share of pats on the back which were not expected as everything that has been done has been a team effort. You have a great team working hard to give the Royal Arch Masons of Washington something very worthwhile. The men that came before me laid a fantastic foundation that will last an eternity if we stand united in their beliefs. Times change and sometimes we must adopt a policy that doesn't mean our mission changes, or our beliefs change. The Important thing to remember is we are ALL companions and should recognize each other as such. The reason for my nostalgic rant, you ask? Well, as most of you may know by now I did make myself available for Grand Scribe and if I am elected I can't be President of the foundation after Friday, May 9th. I feel we should be prepared to have a Trustees meeting that afternoon. Even if I am not elected it might be a good time for the next person to shine. Remember, you matter and every dollar makes a difference.

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

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Treasurer's Report

No report received.

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., Ph.D., 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

March 2025

YORK RITE LIFE MEMBERSHIP MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

Companions & Sir Knights:

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
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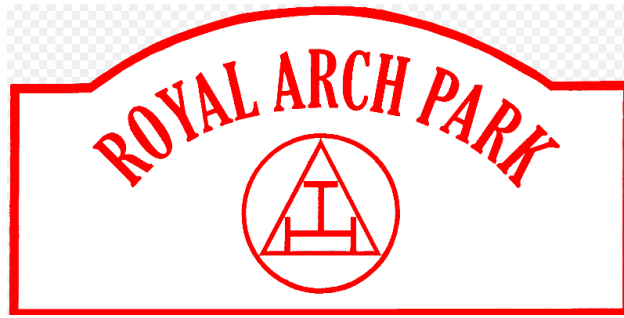
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David Grindle, Treasurer
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MIC Joseph McAlister (Ex-Officio)

Grand Commandery:
John Vivian
James Nero
Ron Graham

SK Barron J. White (Ex-Officio)



Greetings Companions,

We hope everyone is doing well as we transition out of the colder months! As a reminder, our board meetings have moved to the 1st Sunday of each month at 7 PM via Zoom. If you'd like to attend, please reach out to our Board Secretary for the meeting link.

With spring approaching, we'll be working on repairing some of the park's paths to ensure a great experience for our visitors. We appreciate your patience as we get everything ready for another great season!

If you're interested in renting the park for your event, please contact our Board President, Jeff Long, at (206) 714-9212, to book your date.

We look forward to seeing you at the park soon!

Submitted by,

C Dan Echo



Upcoming Events

Official Visits/Upcoming Events—March/April 2025

Grand High Priest

March 6 th – 9 th :	Alaska Grand York Rite—Anchorage
March 8 th :	Wenatchee Chapter No. 22, Wenatchee (DGHP)
March 11 th :	Issaquah Chapter No. 39, Renton
March 14 th – 15 th :	Red Cross Regional Assembly—Kennewick
March 24 th :	Anacortes Chapter No. 59, Sedro Woolley
April 9 th :	Cowlitz Chapter No. 70, Woodland
April 9 th :	Walla Walla Chapter No. 1, Walla Walla (DGHP)
April 10 th -12 th :	Oregon Grand York Rite—Clackamas
April 23 rd :	Pasco Chapter No. 33, Richland
April 24 th -26 th :	Idaho Grand York Rite—Boise
April 28 th :	Evergreen Chapter No. 10, Asotin (DGHP)

Illustrious Grand Master

March 12 th :	Cowlitz Council No. 10, Woodland
April 24 th :	Ellensburg Council No. 26, Ellensburg

Grand Commander

March 1 st :	Grand Masters Class, Ellensburg
March 12 th :	Cowlitz Commandry No. 29, Woodland
March 19 th :	Seattle Commandry No. 2, Shoreline

York Rite WA, LLC
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District #1:

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 ½ 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
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District #3:

Oriental 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. Potluck dinner at 6:30 PM; 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 Tim Hamm	(360) 689-7135	None
Secretary:	EC Kirk Roes (PT)	(360) 809-3632	Theroses@wavecable.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:	IC Kirk Rose	(360) 809-3532	theroses@wavecable.com
Recorder:	IC		

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 5:00PM. 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 Ronald Graham	(509) 607-2900	running2p@icloud.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 Clint Beyer (360) 374-9476 clintbeyer@olynet.com
Eminent Recorder: SK

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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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 Bryan D. Bechler (360) 631-4187 bry.kat@frontier.com
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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



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John H. Vivian	Prelate
Bartly R. Webster	Orator
Michael Smitson	Prefect
Alan Spreen	Standard Bearer
Scot Sageser PS	Herald
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The next stated meeting will take place on Saturday, March 22nd at Damascus Lodge No. 199 in Granite Falls. Meeting will commence at 1:00PM.

St. Raphael Conclave

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	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
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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

Next meeting will be March 22, 2025. Meeting is at Pyramid Masonic Center, 1700 S. 340th St., Federal Way, WA at 11:00AM.

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	Priest
Jeffrey Steik	Steward
Bobby Baxter	Sentinel
Todd Mears	Tyler

**Saturday, March 29th, 2025 at South Tacoma Masonic Hall (Steilacoom 2 Lodge Building), 5405 S. Puget Sound Ave., Tacoma, WA 98409.
Lunch at noon. Meeting at 1:00PM.**



**Holy Royal Arch
Knight Templar Priests**



Immaculate Tabernacle No. XXXIX

Jerry E. Whitney	Preceptor
Alan T. Spreen	Deputy Preceptor
John Hannaman	Seventh Pillar
Richard Kovak	Sixth Pillar
Ronald Graham	Fifth Pillar
Ricardo Barrientes	Fourth Pillar
Richard Roblee	Third Pillar
David Sandretto	Second Pillar
John Burrage	First Pillar
Geoffrey Joosten	Inner Guard
David Aponte	Outer Guard
Patrick Stanton	Registrar

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**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

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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
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WB Robert G. Officer	Deputy Eminent Grand Prior
RWB Jarrod Adkisson	Grand High Almoner
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WB John H. Donohoo	Deputy Grand Marshall
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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
WB 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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