



Letters from Whatcom Lodge No. 151

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The Master's Trestle-board

The month of April is nearly over and our secretary and I are sorry we couldn't get this newsletter out before now. Both of us were pretty swamped this month, me at work and John as the DDGM, trying to get his official visits done and reports off to the Grand Master.

As you can see by all the Ads, we have lots of activities going on this Spring. Please check your personal schedule and see if you can't lend your support to one or more of these worthy Masonic events, you'll be glad that got involved.

Sincerely, WM Glenn W. Hutchings

38th Scholar-Citizen Award Program

Wednesday, April 28, 7:30 p.m. will be the date and the Bellingham Masonic Center at 2626 W. Maplewood will be the place for the 38th annual public schools recognition program of Whatcom County's Masonic Family of organizations, the Scholar-Citizen Award Program. Over sixty high school junior students from all nine county public high schools who excel in both academics and community service will be honored. Their high school principals, junior counselors, family and friends will be there to join in the well-deserved recognition. Members of the Masonic Family are encouraged to come and support both the students and this prominent Masonic beacon shining in the community.

This year's guest speaker will be brother Mike Brown a King County Police detective. His many years of experience in police work most recently led him to be assigned to the case of the Green River killer, Gary Ridgeway. Those who have heard Mike describe him as a compelling speaker who puts both humor and warmth in his message. Perhaps more famous locally is Mike's mother, Barbara Brown, the Supreme Inspector for Rainbow for Girls in Washington and Idaho.

The community truly treasures this fine program. Each year the Masonic Family shows its support through the considerable contributions of time and money↓

If you love someone,
the greatest gift
you can give them
is your presence.

Thich Nhat Hanh

Calendar of Events

Apr 28th is the MEC Awards Night, starts at 7:30 PM. Come show your support.

May 4th We will be at Kulshan Int. Lodge to practice for the Law Enforcement Memorial Night, see back page.

May 6th The Special is the event above.

May 8th Whatcom hosts the District Ten Reception of the Grand Master MWB John D. McNab. Starts at 9 AM, State St. Scottish Rite Hall, lunch will be at 12 noon at a cost of \$5 per person.

May 15th Outdoor Fellowcraft Degree at Roche Harbor. The BBQ Salmon dinner is \$15 per person or \$25 per couple.

May 18th Whatcom co-hosts with Kulshan Int. Lodge, the Law Enforcement Memorial Night, see back page.

Jun 10-12th is Grand Lodge, this year it is being held in Wenatchee WA.



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necessary to make the program a success. This year up to \$7,000 in college scholarships will be awarded, an increase of \$3,000 from the level of the past four years. To date 65 of our County's 442 Masons have contributed over half the amount needed. Please respond as generously to your Master's request for contributions as your ability permits. Show your support in person on the night of April 28! You will see the good work of Masons, Star, Jobies, DeMolay and Rainbow. It will do your heart good! Come early to enjoy lobby music by student musicians starting at 7:00 p.m. Please park at the nearby Credit Union lots to conserve spaces for our guests. This event is under the direction of the Masonic Education Council of Whatcom County led by Ken Gass, Glenn Hutchings, Ed Jungblom, Gary Pitcher, Shawn Richards and Winton Smith.

Whatcom Lodge Hosts

The District Ten Meeting & Reception of the
Grand Master, MW John D. McNab

It is just around the corner, the District No.10 meeting and reception of the Grand Master. I am looking forward to it with both excitement and anxiety; so many details to track. However, the meeting should be fun, an event of joy and celebration for the Masons in our District.

If you take time to consider the activities our lodges have done collectively, we have lots to be proud of; for sure we can improve but we have accomplished many things too! The District Meeting is a gathering at which to acknowledge the work that both lodges and individuals have done. It is also an opportunity for Masons, young or old, to meet with the Grand Master & other elected officers, to ask questions if you will.

Please attend - starts at 9 AM, May 8th, 2004
at the Scottish Rite Hall

1101 N. State, in Bellingham. WA.

Lunch is \$5 and follows the meeting.

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The man who has
no inner life is a slave
of his surroundings,
as the barometer
is the obedient servant
of the air.

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San Juan Island
An Isle of
Masonic Mystery

Come join us at Roche Harbor, on San Juan Island, for the annual Ourdoor Fellowcraft Degree. All you need is a walk-on ticket from Anacortes to Friday Harbor. There will be FREE transportation from Friday Harbor to Roche Harbor and back. The famous BBQ is a bargain at \$15 per person or \$25 per couple. If you'd like to form a ferry ticket purchase group, for an even lower ticket cost, contact:

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Law Enforcement Memorial Night



Law enforcement officers & their families
And members of the public are cordially invited to attend:

An evening to honor
**The six law enforcement officers
Who died in the line of duty**
in
Whatcom County

DATE: Tuesday MAY 18th, 2004

Ceremony begins at 6:45 PM.

Officers, current or retired, are encouraged to wear their uniforms!

A light dinner begins at 6:PM

Deputy Matthew Herzog
WCSO
9/13/2001

Agent Walter "Scott" Panchison
US Border Patrol
10/23/1998

Asst. Chief Larry Duronso
Blaine Police Dept.
9/4/1978

Officer Douglas Krenz
Blaine Police Dept.
9/4/1978

Officer Jack Martin
Lynden Police Dept.
8/9/1988

Agent Kenneth Ward
U S Customs Dept.
5/23/1979

Location of event:

Ferndale Masonic Center
5638 3rd Street, Ferndale WA 98248

Hosted by: Kulshan International Lodge No.186 & Whatcom Lodge No. 151

*A dinner **RSVP** is appreciated*

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The best thing to give to your enemy is forgiveness; to an opponent, tolerance; to a friend, your heart; to your child, a good example; to a father, deference; to your mother, conduct that will make her proud of you; to yourself, respect; to all men, charity.

FRANCIS MAITLAND BALFOUR
Embryologist (1851-1882)

Be life long or short, its completeness depends on what it was lived for.

DAVID STARR JORDAN
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