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MFLA Connection

Brothers, if you are attending MFLA on 4/15/06, you have a great opportunity to get a good meal before the meeting, which begins at 10 am. There are not many places you can get All-you-can eat for \$5. Your support of the Daughters of Bethel 25 forges a special bond in Masonry, so come and enjoy a good meal with the Daughters. (see page 3)

For a \$5 donation you can get an all-you-can-eat Jobie breakfast.

The Daughters are hosting an Easter Egg hunt & games for the kids, fee is \$2.

Breakfast will be served from 8:15 am to 9:30 am. At 9:45 am folks will move into the Bethel room and the Easter Egg hunt will begin at 10 am.

NW Shrine Club

On Tuesday April 4, 2006, Northwest Shrine Club will have it's monthly dinner meeting at "Our House Deli". Zem Zem is at 6:00 p.m., Dinner is at 7:00 p.m. and Meeting is at 8:00 p.m.

The menu for the evening will be Ham, Yams or Sweet Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad, Rolls, Coffee and Dessert. We hope to have Wor. Bro Carey James, the Under-Sheriff, Whatcom County Sheriff's as our guest speaker. The Northwest Shrine Club would like to welcome Noble Sam Silverman as our newest Noble and his Lady Lila. Also we welcome Noble Travis Rohrer and his Lady Marsha, who are from Montana and have moved here to Bellingham.

On behalf of the officers of Northwest Shrine Club we wish you all a Happy Easter.

Ron Fine, Secretary
NWSC

Bellingham Masonic Center

NOTICE

Annual Bond Holders Meeting

On Thursday April 27th, 2006 the Annual Bellingham Masonic Center Bond Holders Meeting will take place at 7:30 pm at the Bellingham Masonic Center, 2626 West Maplewood, Bellingham, WA.

An **RSVP** to John Browne, secretary, would be appreciated.
Phone: 360-738-1537
Email: jbrowne@telcomplus.net

Masonic Education Council

Scholarship Awards Night

The Annual MEC Scholarship Awards Night is Wednesday April 26th at the Bellingham Masonic Center. Music will begin at 7 pm and the program starts at 7:30 pm. Come early for good seating.

Everybody who got
where he is
had to begin
where he was.

~ Robert Louis Stevenson

Calendar of Lodge Events

Apr 4th Kulshan Int. 186 special communication.

Apr 5th San Juan 175 stated meeting, lodge opens at 7:30 pm.

Apr 6th Lynden 56 stated meeting, lodge opens at 7:30 pm.

Apr 7th Bellingham Bay 44 stated meeting, Dinner is at 6:30 - RSVP to WM Gary Pitcher. Lodge at 7:30 pm.

Apr 8th The orientation for next terms Grand Lodge squad starts at 9 am at the Wenatchee Masonic Center.

Apr 10th Ferndale 264 stated meeting, lodge opens at 7:30 pm.

Apr 11th Fairhaven 73 stated meeting, lodge opens at 7:30 pm.

Apr 12th Nooksack Valley stated meeting, lodge opens at 7:30 pm.

Apr 15th MFLA meets at 10 am - followed at 11 am with the Lodge Proficiency program.

Apr 18th Kulshan Int. stated meeting, lodge opens at 7:30 pm.

Apr 20th Whatcom stated meeting, dinner at 5:45 pm. open at 6:30 pm.

Apr 24th Ferndale special, Potluck dinner and Game Night—6 pm.

Apr 25th Fairhaven 73 special communication.

Apr 26th Scottish Rite Board meeting, dinner at 6:30 meeting at 7:30 pm.

Masonic Ed Council hosts the Annual Student Citizen Scholarship Award Nights at the Bellingham Masonic Center, 7:30 pm.

KING'S QUOTE'S

The man who smiles when
things go wrong has thought
of someone to blame it on.

Bill Jones

Valley of Bellingham
Scottish Rite
 Calendar of
 Coming Events

April 2006**Apr. 5**

Dinner at 6:30 \$5 Scottish
 Rite Masons - No charge to
 non members
 Stated Meeting at 7:30

April 26

Dinner 6:30
 Board Meeting 7:00

May 2006**May 3**

Dinner at 6:30 \$5 Scottish
 Rite Masons - No charge to
 non members
 Stated Meeting at 7:30

May 24

Consistory Banquet Dinner -
 Reservation required to:
secretary@scottish-rite.com
 or phone 360-733-1103 -
 Cost \$10 each -Ladies and
 quests invited.

Thank you,
 John Sleeth
 General Secretary

It is a common observation that those who dwell continually
 upon their expectations are apt to become oblivious
 to the requirements of their actual situation.

~ Charles Sanders Peirce

FUN coming to the Nile Shrine Center

The Shurtah Unit of the Nile Shrine Center is proud to present its
 "Saturday Night at the Fights" on April 15, 2006, at the Nile Shrine
 Center in Edmonds....

These junior champions (ages 8 - 18 yrs. old) will be competing in
 the Amateur Ranks on this evening from 6:00 p.m. -- 10:30 p.m....

Admission: Children under 5 yrs. = free
 Children/Adults = \$12.00
 Family (4-persons) = \$25.00

All food items = \$1.00

Refreshments = \$1.00 (sodas, water)

Mount Lake Terrace Micro-Brewery = \$1.00/glass

This past October 2005 we had an attendance of 500-people, and we
 are looking to increase the attendance this year....

Dr. Skipp Metzger
 Secretary
 Shurtah Unit
 Nile Shrine Center

For more information please call or email me
 (360) 756-8272 residence
 E-mail: skipmetzger@bigplanet.com

The one important thing
 I have learned
 over the years
 is the difference between
 taking one's work seriously
 and taking one's
 self seriously.
 The first is imperative
 and the second
 is disastrous.

~ Margot Fonteyn (Prima Ballerina)

To contribute to this newsletter please send your
 letter, comment, historical fact, poem or calendar
 announcement, by the 2nd Monday of each month,
 to:

John F. Browne PO Box 1895
 Maple Falls, WA. 98266
 e-mail: jbrowne@telcomplus.net

Ferndale Lodge No. 264

Presents:

Potluck Dinner & Games Night

For our Special Communications each
 month Ferndale Lodge No. 264 is
 hosting a Potluck Dinner and Games
 Night. This is for the whole family and
 designed to foster Masonic Family and
 Fellowship.

Dinner will be served at 6 PM

Games to follow dinner.

Bring your favorite dish and game and
 join in the fun!

Ferndale's next special
 communication is
 Monday April 24th, 2006

For more details contact:
 WM Don Loughmiller: 734-4694
 Email: n7wol@msn.com

Speaking Wisely

Service is the rent we pay for being.
 It is the very purpose of life,
 and not something you do
 in your spare time.

~ Marion Wright Edelman

I know, indeed, of nothing
 more subtly satisfying and cheering
 than a knowledge of the real good
 will and appreciation of others.
 Such happiness does not come
 with money, nor does it flow
 from a fine physical state.
 It cannot be brought.
 But it is the keenest joy, after all;
 and the toiler's truest
 and best reward.

~William Dean Howells

EASTER BREAKFAST

April 15th, 2006

Hosted by

Bethel No. 25, Job's Daughters

Breakfast served: 8:15 to 9:30 am.

Cost: **\$5** - donation

Easter Egg Hunt & Games

Begins at 10 am, runs to 11 am

Cost: **\$2** - donation

Easter Egg Hunt and games in the Bethel Room
Bellingham Masonic Center
2626 West Maplewood, Bellingham, WA

Bethel No. 25

The Daughters of Bethel No. 25 recently participated in the annual Jobie Weekend gathering in Moses Lake, Washington. Our Bethel was represented by 13 Daughters, 1 Jobie to Bee and 1 prospective new member, and 12 adults.

Jobie Weekend provides the Daughters with numerous opportunities for social fun and competition in a variety of ritual and skills categories, as you will note below.

Here are the results from Jobie Weekend 2006:

Fantastic Five

Janell Murry	Best in State
Erin Chenvert	2nd Place
Kristin White	3rd Place

State Ritual Team

Janell Murry	5th Place
Amy Brady	4th Alternate

Chaplain (Ritual)

Janell Murry	2nd Place
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Group Dance

Karrin Terry and Mychal Smith	1st Place
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Solo Dance

Mychal Smith	Best in State
Mars Fraser	1st Place (Jobie to be)

Solo Vocal

Erin Chenvert	1st Place
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Instrumental - Piano

Kristin White	Best in State
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Creative Writing

Kat Finch	1st Place
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Poetry

Kat Finch	2nd Place
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Sewing

Mychal Smith	2nd Place on ? and a 1st Place on a formal
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Cooking

Kristin White	1st Place for drop cookies
Mychal Smith	2nd Place for other cookies
Karrin Terry	3rd Place for drop cookies
Janell Murry	1st Place for bar cookies

Kristin White	1st Place for yeast bread
Karrin Terry	1st Place for other bread
Kat Finch	1st Place for cakes
Erin Chenvert	1st Place for cobblers
Karrin Terry	2nd Place for cobblers
Janell Murry	1st Place for her other (salsa)
Marissa Morse	1st Place for main course (teriyaki chicken)

Crafts/Arts

Mars Fraser	1st Place (ceramics) (Jobie to Be)
Kat Finch	1st Place (ceramics)
Marissa Morse	2nd Place (photography)
Mars Fraser	2nd Place (painting)
Kat Finch	1st Place (jewelry)
Marissa Morse	1st Place (crochet)

Please consider attending one or more of the up-coming Jobie events, Your kind support is essential for the continued success of Bethel 25.

Sat. April 15th for Easter Breakfast and an Easter Egg Hunt for the Kids. Breakfast begins at 9 am.

Sat. April 29th for a Fisherman's Breakfast, begins at 9 am.

Both of these events will at the Bellingham Masonic Ctr at 2626 W. Maplewood in Bellingham.

The BIG and LITTLE sisters of Job's Daughters International

Bethel 25 are hosting

Pizza, Live Auction, movies
and dessert night with

A TWIST

Date/Time: Saturday, April 29
at 6:30 p.m. or directly after the meeting

At the Live Auction, you can bid on secretly-filled baskets that include a movie, dessert and other surprises and then we will watch some movies, eat some dessert and play some games! All are welcome to stay the night with us at the Bellingham Masonic Hall. In the morning, there will be a Fisherman's Breakfast. We will also be holding a meeting on the 29th at 3:00 p.m.

Cost: admittance based on donation, \$5.00 for pizza or bring your own dinner and money to bid on a basket!

Contact: Kristin White 756-2298 for more information or if you want to reserve front row seats for the live auctioning of baskets

BMC = Bellingham Masonic Center on W. Maplewood ; FMC = Ferndale Masonic Center;
 FHMC = Friday Harbor Masonic Center; NMC = Nooksack Masonic Center; SRH = Scottish Rite Hall

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<p>Rightly conceived, time is the friend of all who are in any way in adversity, for its mazy road winds in and out of the shadows sooner or later into sunshine, and when one is at its darkest point one can be certain that presently it will grow brighter. <i>Sir Arthur Bryant</i></p>						
2	3 5 p. Commandery at (BMC) F-OES #223 Opens at 7:30 p. (FMC)	4 ML-OES # 58 (BMC) Opening at 7:30 p. KI # 186 special lodge opens at 7:30 p. (FMC)	5 Valley of Bellingham Scottish Rite, dinner 6:30 p., meeting at 7:30 p. SJ # 175-stated Opens at 7:30 p. (FHMC)	6 L # 56-hosts the Deputy Grand Masters at their stated meeting 7:30 p. (FMC) See our Ad Chuckanut Chapter DeMolay Opens at 7 p. (BMC)	7 BB # 44-stated Dinner at 6:30 (RSVP WM Gary Pitcher), lodge at 7:30	8 Grand Lodge squad orientation, Wenatchee Masonic Center 9-noon.
9	10 F #264-stated lodge opens 7:30 p. (FMC).	11 F # 73-stated Opening at 7:30 p. (BMC) Evergreen RB # 17 The Assembly opens at 7 p. (FMC)	12 NV # 105-stated Opens at 7:30 p. (NMC)	13 Bethel # 25 JD, the Bethel opens at 7 p. (BMC)	14	15 Bethel #25 JD Easter breakfast at 9 am—Easter Egg hunt to follow. MFLA begins at 10 am. Chuckanut Chapter DeMolay Opens at 7 p. (BMC)
16	17 Royal Arch (BMC) dinner at 6:30, meeting at 7:30 p. F-OES #223 Opens at 7:30 p. (FMC)	18 KI # 186-stated Opening at 7:30 p. (FMC) ML-OES # 58 Opening at 7:30 p. (BMC)	19	20 W 151-stated - Dinner 5:30 p. lodge opens at 6:30 p.	21	22 Bethel # 25 JD Moved its meeting to April 29th.
23	24 F #264- special Potluck dinner & game night 6 p. (FMC) All are invited to attend.	25 Evergreen RB # 17 Opening at 7 p. (FMC) Fairhaven #73 special, lodge opens at 7:30 p.	26 Masonic Ed Council Student Scholarship Awards Night, begins at 7:30 BMC Scottish Rite Board meeting—dinner at 6:30, meeting at 7:30 p. SRH	27 Maplewood TB and Annual Bond Holders meeting at 7:30 p. (BMC)	28	29 Bethel # 25 JD: a Fisherman's breakfast fund raiser, served at 9 am. Bethel 25 meeting, opens at 3 p. (BMC)
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