



# Letters from Whatcom Lodge No. 151

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## The Grand Lodge Report

The 147<sup>th</sup> Annual Communication and 148<sup>th</sup> Installation of Officers have been completed and your New Elected Officers for 2004-05 are:

*Grand Master - M.: W.: Satoru "Sat" Tashiro*  
*Dep. Grand Master - R.: W.: Alvin Jorgensen*  
*Sr. Grand Warden - R.: W.: Charles W McQuery Jr.*  
*Jr. Grand Warden - R.: W.: Wayne I. Smith*

Below are listed four of the resolutions which passed and which will bear more directly in our respective lodge-rooms:

- 2004-2 Standard work to be more consistent on closing in all 3 degrees. passed
- 2004-7 Closing Charge can now be given on all 3 degrees. - passed
- 2004-9 Installation of officers must be at Labor on MM degree -passed
- 2004-10 "Off Session" clarity of use - passed

This year's Grand Lodge moved along pretty smoothly and the new electronic voting system worked well, for its first outing. All of the lodges in District No. 10 were represented for which, as Dist. Deputy, I was pleased to see. From the view-point as lodge secretary I was glad to learn that the GL Office is now using MS ACCESS for their database - which is what I am using to store our current lodge records.

Hope to see you at one or more of our District Summer Masonic Family activities - may you enjoy good health.

Fraternally, John F. Browne  
DDGM in Dist. #10 - Secretary W-151

## Two New Petitions

Whatcom Lodge recently received two petitions for the Degrees of Masonry. The petitions were read at the May 27<sup>th</sup> stated communication and are scheduled to be voted on at our stated communication on June 17<sup>th</sup>. WM Glenn Hutchings has appointed two investigation committees who we hope will bring back two favorable reports.

A First Degree is planned for Saturday June 19<sup>th</sup>, 9 AM at the W. Maplewood Masonic Hall. Please joins us for this special occasion.

## The H. M. Terpenning Ed. Scholarships

Whatcom Lodge is pleased to announce the following Masonic Family students have each been presented with a H.M. Terpenning Educational Scholarship: Mr. Ryan Pemberton - a \$250 award, Ms. Nancy Hardwick - a \$500 award and Ms. Kelli Hutchings - a \$500 award.

Mr. Ryan Pemberton, who was a member of DeMolay, attends Western Washington University and is the grandson of Bro. Bud Kinsey, a member of Whatcom Lodge. Ryan is studying Psychology. Ms. Nancy Hardwick is the Worthy Advisor of Lynden-Nooksack Assembly #70 and is a student at Whatcom Community College. Nancy is a Graphic Design student. Ms. Kelli Hutchings, who was a member of Bellingham Rainbow, is the daughter of Martha and Glenn Hutchings, who is the WM of Whatcom Lodge. Kelli plans to attend Central Washington University and study fashion merchandising and design.

The brethren of Whatcom Lodge extend our sincere congratulations to all three of these fine students.

The teaching which is written on paper is not the true teaching.

Written teaching is a kind of food for the brain. Of course, it is necessary to take some food for your brain, but it is more important to be yourself by practicing the right way of life.

Suzuki Roshi  
Zen Mind, Beginners Mind

## Calendar of Events

**Jun 17<sup>th</sup>** Stated Meeting. Lodge will open at 6:30 PM., then go L to R for a light meal, then back to L for business. We have two petitions to vote on and we intend to confer the 1st Degree on one of them on Sat. 6/19/2004.

**Jun 19<sup>th</sup>** A First Degree is planned for 9 AM at the W. Maplewood Masonic Hall. Lunch will follow.

**July 9-10<sup>th</sup>** Summer Festival in Everson, come join Nooksack Valley Lodge in some good old-fashioned fun.

**July 31<sup>st</sup>** Pioneer Days Parade, march with the mini-Masonic Float & F #264.

**Aug 1<sup>st</sup>** The Masonic Family picnic at Cornwall Park—covered area. Begins at noon and runs until 3 PM.

**Aug 7<sup>th</sup>** The Outdoor 3rd Degree at Granite Falls, RCMP Team will perform.

## Dear Whatcom Lodge No. 151

I am writing to thank you for selecting me as a recipient of the Harold M. Terpenning Educational Scholarship for the year 2004-5. This is not the first year that I applied for the scholarship. Knowing that I had previously been awarded a scholarship by your Lodge, I was pleasantly surprised when I found out that you had selected me for an award. I greatly appreciate the assistance that you have given me. This award will certainly be useful next year when it comes time to pay for my college. I will be finishing up my sophomore year at Western Washington University within the next two years. I currently plan on finishing up my undergraduate degree in Psychology. After that, I plan on attaining my graduate degree, most likely a Master's Degree in Marriage and Family Counseling. I would like to be employed in a church setting where I can work with families as well as being involved in various pastoral tasks.

I have enjoyed being involved with and participating in various Masonic activities throughout the years, most recently the highway clean-up on I-5 this past April. Service projects like this reflect the concern and commitment that the Masons have for their community.

Thank you once again for taking the time to read over my application as well as for deciding to award me with a scholarship

Sincerely,  
Ryan J. Pemberton

*What some people mistake  
for the high cost of living is  
really the cost of high living.*

*Doug Larson*



**KING S QUOTE'S**

**SOME MISTAKES**

**ARE TOO MUCH FUN**

**TO ONLY MAKE ONCE.**

## What in the name of Heaven!

*A friend of my wife sent her the following funny email. As Art Linkletter (sp?) used to say "Kids say the darndest things!"*

Subject: GOOD GOD

Not sure of the authenticity, but ..... Some children were asked questions about the Old and New Testaments. Their answers have not been retouched or corrected - and that's the best part—puritans, turn in your graves!

✂ In the first book of the Bible, Guinness, God got tired of creating the world so he took the Sabbathoff.

✂ Adam and Eve were created from an apple tree. Noah's wife was called Joan of Ark. Noah built an ark, which the animals came on to in pairs.

✂ Lot's wife was a pillar of salt by day, but a ball of fire by night

✂ The Jews were a proud people and throughout history, they had trouble with the unsympathetic Genitals.

✂ Samson was a strongman who let himself be led astray by a Jezebel like Delilah.

✂ Samson played the Philistines with the axe of the apostles.

✂ Moses led the Hebrews to the Red Sea, where they made unleavened bread which is bread without any ingredients.

✂ The Egyptians were all drowned in the desert. Afterwards, Moses went up on Mount Cyanide to get the ten amendments.

✂ The first commandment was when Eve told Adam to eat the apple.

✂ The seventh commandment is thou shalt not admit adultery.

✂ Moses died before he ever reached Canada. Then Joshua led the Hebrews into the battle of Geritol.

✂ The greatest miracle in the Bible is when Joshua told his son to stand still and he obeyed him.

✂ David was a Hebrew king skilled at playing the liar. He fought with the Finklesteins, a race of people who lived in biblical times.

✂ Solomon, one of David's sons, had 300 wives and 700 porcupines

✂ When Mary heard that she was the mother of Jesus, she sang the Magna Carta.

✂ When the three wise guys from the east side arrived, they found Jesus in the manger.

✂ Jesus was born because Mary had an immaculate contraction.

✂ St. John the blacksmith dumped water on his head.

✂ Jesus enunciated the Golden Rule, which says to do one to others before they do one to you. He also explained a man doth not live by sweat alone.

✂ It was a miracle when Jesus rose from the dead and managed to get the tombstone off the entrance.

✂ The people who followed the Lord were called the 12 disciples.

✂ The epistles are the wives of the apostles.

✂ One of the opossums was St. Matthew who was also a taximan.

✂ St. Paul cavorted to Christianity. He preached holy acrimony, which is another name for marriage.

✂ Christians have only one spouse. This is called monotony.

Regards, Birdie

A poem for June

### The Lodge

*I think that I shall never see  
A Lodge that's all it ought to be.  
A Lodge whose members never stray  
Beyond the straight and narrow way.  
A Lodge that has no empty pews,  
Where Brothers attend,  
not just pay their dues.  
A Lodge whose ritual is always right,  
And whose floor-work  
is clean and bright.  
Some perfect Lodges there may be,  
But none of them are known to me.  
But still we'll work and pray and plan  
to make our own the best we can.*

Author unknown - Source is:

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Submitted by:

Bro. Ted McQuiston - Tyler

*You may be only  
one person  
in the world,  
But you may also be  
The world  
to one person.*

Author Unknown

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