



SEATTLE'S MASONIC LODGE OF THE MUSIC, THEATRE AND THE ARTS

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DAYLIGHT LODGE #232

Trestleboard

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JULY 16 INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

📢 BRIEF STATED MEETING 📢

Worshipful Master Pitre will open lodge at 9:00 A.M. on Saturday morning July 16th for the purpose of installing the officers that were elected last month. Past Grand Master Sat Tashiro will install them. The Code requires that an installation be held on the Master Mason degree so it will be called off session so that our EA and FC brothers can attend but it will not actually be a public event this year. After the installation, lodge will be set at labor on the EA for a very brief Stated meeting.

Hermanos del Arte Lodge in Brewster at the June meeting of Grand Lodge was granted a charter as #314. It will be formally chartered late afternoon that same day. A couple car loads of Daylight members plan to leave as soon as possible and head for the ceremony, so if there is a festiveboard it will be very simple.

"WE ARE NUMBER ONE"

At the June Grand Lodge Communication of Grand Lodge, Daylight was awarded the Lodge Membership Award for total involvement of the lodge in membership and other activities like the community, petitions and other over-all lodge activities. Brother Monaco who officially represented Daylight at the Grand Lodge session, had the honor and pleasure of calling the body to order on Thursday afternoon and that evening at the grand banquet accepted the award from V.:W.: Ashley Brinkley and Grand Master Sat Tashiro. Daylight is the first lodge to win this award.

On Friday night V.:W.: David Julian was installed as the FIRST Grand Musician. The Code revision Daylight had proposed at his request to change his title from Grand Organist to Grand Musician passed easily even after some spirited and almost comic debate. One brother opposed the idea arguing that to make the change might mean that some day we might have a Grand Piccolo player. Needless to say the next morning with tongue in cheek, piccolo music sounded from Brother David's electronic keyboard. W.: Brother Jim Maher, our treasurer will continue to serve as a MRC Trustee and on the Finance Committee.

A Petition for the Degrees of Masonry has been received from: Mr. John Salano Lacey of 16822 55th Pl W, Lynnwood 98037-5708 however because of the busy morning on July 16th and the fact that the EA degree will most likely take place in early fall, it will be spread for ballot on September 17th.

Wagner on Rossini: At a performance of *Il Barbiere di Siviglia*, Wagner turned to a friend and whispered: "How I love Rossini! But don't tell my Wagnerians---they would never forgive me."

Below is from an older ritual, one sometimes still used by other Grand Lodges. Remember your FC lecture with references to Orders in Architecture?

The Corinthian, the richest of the five orders, is deemed a master-piece of art. Its column is ten diameters high, its capital is adorned with two rows of leaves and eight volutes, which sustain the abacus. The frieze is ornamented with curious devices and the cornice with dentil and modillions. This order is used in stately and superb structures. It was invented at Corinth, by Callimachus, who is said to have taken the hint of this capital of this pillar from the following remarkable circumstance: Accidentally passing by the tomb of a young lady, he perceived a basket of toys covered with tiles, placed over an acanthus root, having been left there by her nurse. As the branches grew they encompassed the basket, till, arriving at the tiles, they met with an obstruction and bend downward. Callimachus struck with the object, set about imitating the figure; the vase of the capital made to represent the basket; the abacus the tile; and the volutes, the bending leaves.

Definitions:

abacus - A slab placed on top of the capital of a column

capital - The top part of a pillar or column

cornice - A horizontal molded projection that crowns or completes a building or wall

dentil - One of a series of small rectangle blocks forming a molding or projection beneath a cornice

modillion - An ornamental bracket used in series under the cornice of the Corinthian, Composite or Roman Ionic orders.

Fleas can be taught nearly anything that a Congressman can.

-- Mark Twain

A soprano on tour in Mexico was captured by bandits. They turned out to be music lovers who were unwilling to harm an opera star. They said they'd let her go if she could really prove that she was prima donna of the opera.

"How can I prove that?" she asked.

"Sing!" they explained.

"What? Sing in a cave? Sing before rabble? Sing without makeup, costumes? Sing without lords and ladies in the boxes? No critics in the stalls? No bouquets hurled at the stage? No money in the Box Office?

"Let her go," ordered the bandit chief, "She's a prima donna all right."

DAYLIGHT MEMBERS ARE INVOLVED

Daylighters are not just involved in the lodge but are also giving or serving their local communities in several different ways; putting to work Masonry's admonition, "every person has a claim upon your good offices, do good unto all." Brother Bruce Black recently became a Road Commissioner in Big Bear/Sugarloaf, California. Junior Warden Ral Wilson is a member of the Carnation City Planning Commission. W.: Brother Jim Maher, our Treasurer is now a member of the Board of Trustees for the Seattle Youth Symphony Orchestra, he also volunteers at the South King County 911 Call Center. V.:W.: Brother David Julian has worked for a Prison Ministry group for several years and your secretary is serving as the Chair of the Sound Transit Citizen's Accessibility Advisory Committee. Brother Scott Soltis is a captain in the local volunteer Fire Department in York, Montana.

We welcome to Daylight membership Brother Thomas Patrice Gauthier. His petition for Plural Membership was voted last month. Brother Thomas was raised in Richard C. McLaurin Lodge, better know as the MIT Lodge in Cambridge, Mass. He was born in Paris, France March 1980 so he is one of Daylight's youngest members. Welcome Brother Tom.

Worshipful Master Pitre has planned the basic degree conferral schedule for the fall but the elected officers and others really want to take a break during August. See below for more details.

The annual MM outdoor degree conferral at Granite Falls Masonic Park will be held August 6th. Prince Hall will do the degree work.

When a chief executive discovers art, he is turned on as those who are reborn in religious terms. He is, of necessity, a late bloomer. Often when an executive has "arrived" at the top, is getting a very good salary and has lots of people to do his work, he is invited to be on a committee for the local art museum, or to raise money for the opera or the orchestra. It's a whole new thing to him. There is prestige, status and the discovery that there actually something to these arts after all. The awareness and money come late, but the enthusiasm often makes up for that.

-- Malcolm S. Forbes



Senior Warden Monaco holding the award Daylight received on June 9th as the outstanding lodge.

Worshipful Master Pitre, Senior Warden Monaco and Junior Warden Wilson have looked at the work ahead and also at the summer and have decided that there will be no more degree conferrals until the September 17th stated meeting. Brother Monaco will take the East that morning to confer the Fellowcraft degree. That will complete the current nine brothers waiting to be in line to be raised as Master Masons. As presently planned, there will be Master Mason degrees in October and November and it looks like at least one special for the purpose of a couple new candidates to be made Entered Apprentices. Your three principal officers are very dedicated to bringing the new members into participation in conferring different parts of the each degree and not letting them just sit on the sidelines. The East and West are filled by the elected officers, the other places are moving around and the result is darned good ritual work.

Your officers also feel that it is very important that the first and third degrees be conferred in the lodge's own meeting place but are more than happy to help other lodges and take our candidates to other lodges for the Fellowcraft. It is a good way of introducing our new brother to the real uniqueness of Masonry, the ability to find brothers in different lodges.

As of the June Monthly Report sent the Grand Secretary we had 62 members. Add the above nine waiting for their MM degrees and you can see why to lodge won the award at Grand Lodge. The new members are involved in the activities and Fremont Fair. There will be more details and pictures of the Fair in the next Trestleboard.

ODDS and ENDS B/4 SUMMER BREAK

As planned there were no changes in the elected officers at the June stated. As part of the lodge's long range plan Worshipful Master Rob Pitre, Senior Warden Anthony Monaco and Junior Warden Ral Wilson were re-elected. W.: Jim Maher will also continue to manage the finances and your long serving secretary will continue to try to keep the records straight.

Even though the elected officers continue in office for another year, the Washington Masonic Code says they have to be installed again. So even though they have a pretty good idea of their job, Past Grand Master Tashiro will remind them once again of their duties to the Craft and to Daylight Lodge.

W.: Brother Martin Ringhofer has finally recovered enough from his near fatal heart problems to be able to return to work but he is no longer able to travel like he once did.

Brother Toby Cattolico is home for the summer after his first year at the Boston Conservatory of Music. He is taking a Music Theory course at the U.W. this summer.

M.:W.: Ernie Hazelwood is making good recovery in New Mexico after open heart surgery. Would anyone doubt he wouldn't be raring to go quite quickly? Up north in the Vancouver area, V.:W.: Ben Robinson says he too is expecting to have open heart surgery in the near future.

EA Brother Matthew Wenz has returned to the U.W. working towards a Major in History and Philosophy of Science. Good luck Matthew.

Brother Scott Soltis showed up at the Fremont Fair to say hello before heading back to Montana. The family was in the area for another family event and he remembered we'd be at the Solstice. Good to see him.

And on a personal note, your secretary thanks everyone for the support, visits and cards, etc., while he was in Swedish Hospital getting his right knee replaced. I am doing quite well, not making record dashes but doing well. I do sometimes use my "Anthony Support," a cane he left here a few years ago after one of his operations. I really appreciate all the moral support sent me by my brethren and friends in general.