

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

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DAYLIGHT LODGE No. 232



TRESTLEBOARD

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JULY 21<sup>ST</sup>

Is A STATED MEETING  
& THE INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Worshipful Master Monaco will be re-installed as Worshipful Master during the July 21<sup>st</sup> STATED MEETING. Senior Warden Raleigh Wilson expressed his desire not to continue on to the East at this time. Junior Warden Andy Anderson told the brethren he wanted the experience of serving in the West and learning those duties and that important ritual. So that sort of left things up to Worshipful Master Brother Monaco who agreed to remain in the East for another year and the brethren took him at his word; he was re-elected for a second year. Hopefully he learned what NOT to do during the past year which most all say was outstandingly successful.

There will be a brief stated meeting that will include voting on petitions for the degrees after which lodge will be called off session for a public installation ceremony. Unlike most meetings, because of the installation, lodge will work on the Master Mason Degree.

## Petitions for Ballot

Petitions for the Degrees of Masonry has been received from Mr. Burnie Leroy Swaleson of 22018 11<sup>th</sup> S in Des Moines. He was born May 30, 1962 in Stanton, CA and is recommended to the lodge by Brothers Dathean Luna, Andrew Anderson and Samuel Ali. for Mr. **Dean LeRoy Willard** recommended to the lodge by Franklin Donahoe, Richard Braxton and George Tilden, for Mr. **Joshua Michael Metz** recommended to the lodge by CoeTug Morgan, David Y. Choe and John F. Losey, Jr. Petitions for Plural Membership were read from Brother **Matthew Jordan Kirk** of John Paul Jones Lodge No. 271 in Gig Harbor, for **James Patrick Phelan** of St. John's Lodge No. 9 and Occidental Lodge No. 72. These petitions will be spread for ballot on July 21<sup>st</sup> prior to the Installation of officers.

♪ After he finished a concert and had gone backstage, the famous early 20<sup>th</sup> Century violinist, Fritz Kreisler heard someone say, "I'd give my life to play like you do!" He turned and looked at the woman and said, "Madam, I did." ♪

## INSTALLATION DETAILS

The installation plans have been put in place and W.: Brother Monaco has asked V.:W.: Brother Morgan to install him. W.: Brother Anthony was one of many petitioners that your Secretary has sponsored in the Lodge. Since 1976 nearly a dozen of these brethren have served in the East.

The other installing officers include M.:W Brother Sat Tashiro, V.:W.: James Maher, W.: Dan Harrity of Doric No. 92, W.: Scotty Russell, V.:W.: Mike Davis of Queen Anne No. 242.

Here is the list of officers to be installed:

### ELECTED:

W.: Anthony Monaco	Worshipful Master
Andy Anderson	Senior Warden
David Y. Choe	Junior Warden
V.:W.: James R. Maher	Treasurer
V.:W.: CoeTug Morgan	Secretary

### APPOINTED:

Erik Hill	Chaplain
Michael Foley	Marshal
Franklin Donahoe	Senior Deacon
Dathean Luna	Junior Deacon
Samuel Ali	Senior Steward
Jon Alcantara	Junior Steward
V.:W.: David Julian	Musician
W.: Jay Losey	Tiler

As has become pretty much a Lodge tradition there will be a barbeque party in The Center of the Universe – Fremont at your secretary's home after the installation is over.

A weird and wonderful word never used today: **steracle** an obsolete word meaning 'a spectacle or show.' This word may come from the word *stare*, and modeled on *spectacle*.

... according to Erin McKean

## SPECIAL HONOR GIVEN

YOUR Lodge SECRETARY WAS GREATLY HONORED by GRAND Lodge AND GRAND SECRETARY R.:W.: DAVID P. OWEN AT THE JUNE GRAND Lodge MEETING by BEING GIVEN A NEW APRON AND COLLAR plus THE Title of ASSISTANT GRAND SECRETARY

EMERITUS (HONORARY OF COURSE.)

IT WAS A HUMBLING HONOR AND EVENT;

FOR ONCE, BELIEVE IT OUR NOT, YOUR

SECRETARY WAS VIRTUALLY SPEECHLESS.

I ACCEPT IT WITH SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO Daylight Lodge AS WELL AND I THANK DAYLIGHTERS FOR THE HONOR OF SERVING AS YOUR SECRETARY FOR THESE MAYBE TO MANY YEARS.



A Congressman said to Horace Greeley {wearer of the great mutton chops}, "I am a self made man."

Greeley replied, "That, sir, relieves the Almighty of a great responsibility."

## FROM THE MASONIC CODE

### Sec. 15.05 B.L.

**When to Elect Officers.** The elective officers of every Chartered Lodge shall be chosen annually at a Stated Communication of such Lodge during a period beginning the first Monday after the close of Grand Lodge and ending December 14. Rev. 2003 (special note: Daylight submitted this Code Revision)

### Sec. 15.06 B. L.

**Election.** Election of officers shall be by written ballot. A Brother receiving a majority of all votes cast is duly elected. A blank ballot is not a vote. A show of hands is not permitted for the election of officers.

### Sec. 15.08 B.L.

**Installations.** . . . The ceremony shall be tiled unless at the request of the Master-elect, the Lodge shall decide by majority vote to hold it open to the public.

. . . Officers of a Chartered Lodge must be installed as often as elected or appointed. No officer shall be installed by proxy.

# 'Old Tiler Talks'

by Carl Claudy

"If I had it my way," began the New Brother, sitting beside the Old Tiler, "I'd make it a Masonic offense to laugh in the lodge room. We are not as serious about our Masonry as we should be."

"Someone laughed at you, or you are talking to yourself very seriously!" answered the Old Tiler.

"I am not!" cried the New Brother. "I take Masonry seriously! What we do in the lodge room has the sacredness of a religious ceremony. I can see no difference between the sacredness of the Altar of Masonry and the altar of a church, and when I go and see the beautiful windows, and hear the music and watch the choir boys come up the aisle, and hear the minister give out the solemn text- well, you know how inspiring it is. I feel the same way in lodge sometimes, during the more solemn parts of the degrees. But we have a business meeting first and sometimes someone cracks a joke and everyone laughs, and some brethren misinterpret and giggle sometimes in the degrees, and there is some ritual which isn't awe-inspiring and, and I think it should be changed!"

"Well, go ahead and change it!" cried the Old Tiler. "I don't believe that absence of solemnity is a Masonic landmark which can't be changed."

"Of course it isn't, but how can I change it?"

"That's your problem!" smiled the Old Tiler. "You are the reformer, not I. But before I wasted much grey matter, I'd ask myself a few questions. You seem to like things serious, so this should come easy to you. Then I'd talk to the Chaplain. David is young, but he has common sense. It would do you good to go his church. You would find it as solemn and beautiful as any other during the service. But if you went to a vestry meeting you'd see David grin, and maybe someone would tell a ministerial joke. I can't imagine God being displeased about it. Seems to me if he hadn't wanted people to laugh he wouldn't have made so many brethren to laugh at! Brother David would tell you that there was a time to be reverent and a time to be happy, and that a church in which people couldn't be happy wasn't much of a church. Ever go to a wedding? Ever see people grin and kiss the bride when it was over? Ever go to a church social? Ever go to the boys' club in a red-blooded church? It didn't hurt the church in their eyes, did it? Then why should it disconcert you to have a lodge room treated the same way? Get it out of your head that Masonry or religion is bound up in a room, or a building. It doesn't hurt so long as we don't laugh at the wrong time! It doesn't hurt the solemnity of the Masonic degree that our lodge room is first but a business meeting hall and afterwards maybe a dining room. It is the spirit in which we do our work that counts, not the letter; it is the temple in our hearts which must be kept sacred, not the mere physical confines of brick and stone in which we meet."

"That there should be no cause for laughter during the degrees. But to say we can't laugh in a lodge room is to get the dog by the wrong tail! Masonry, my son, is joyful, not mournful. It should be filled with laughter, the happy smiles of contentment, the loveliness of faithful friendship, the joy of flowers and music and song. To make it too serious for smiles, too solemn for happiness, perverts it. If God made sunshine and children and flowers, don't you suppose He wanted the one to dance with the other in the third? If He made happiness and human hearts, don't you suppose He wanted the one to live in the other?"

"Masonry is an attempt to live the brotherhood of man under the Fatherhood of God. The best of all human fathers can but touch the skirts of the Being who is the All Father. But did you ever see a human father worth his salt who didn't want his children laughing and happy?"

"There is a time for work and a time for play. There is a time for degrees and a time for refreshment. There is a time for business meetings and a time for ritual. There is a time for laughter and for joy as well as a time of solemnity and reverence. The one is just as important as the other."

"I wish just once," said the New Brother, "I could start something with you which I could finish!"

"Try offering me a cigar!" suggested the Old Tiler.

## **SPECIAL EA° DEGREE PLANNED**

Worshipful Master Monaco has scheduled a special communication for the third Saturday of next month, August 18<sup>th</sup> to confer the Entered Apprentice Degree. There will be three candidates that morning starting at 10:00 a.m. Newly installed Senior Deacon Franklin Donahoe will be getting off to an early start putting together degree work as he is in charge of the degree team. Worshipful Master Monaco will be in the East to obligate the new brothers. There will be a special summer Trestleboard with more details so keep reading.

W.. Brother Cleo McCord has been moved to a new senior center, Archstone at 18611 114<sup>th</sup> Ave SE in Renton tele: 425-572-6453. It is in the area east of Valley Hospital on 180<sup>th</sup> SE. The website is [www.archstone-afh.com](http://www.archstone-afh.com). He is still up beat but his health is slowly failing and he needs visitors. How many more months we have with Cleo is a questions so please visit with him while you can.

## 2006-2007 YEAR LODGE REVIEW

There have been twenty-three degree conferrals since June of 2006, to date in the calendar year 2007 thirteen. The 2006 degrees were able to wrap up almost all the degrees started during W.:. Rob Pitre's term of office. There are two Fellowcraft brothers from that time period who have yet to be Raised as Master Masons. Two brothers Richard Braxton and Dennis Roberts took their EA° June 27 in a joint degree conferral with Doric Lodge No. 92. There is one voted petitioner waiting for the EA°, three petitioners waiting for ballot who if given a favorable vote at the next meeting Worshipful Master Monaco has said will receive their EA° conferral on August 18<sup>th</sup>.

There were 68 members on the lodge rolls at the end of June 2006 and the most recent report to Grand Lodge showed 74 members. There has been one death and two demits during that time. Since June 2006 excluding this last meeting, the average meeting attendance has been 26.8 brethren in attendance. V.:W.: Brother James R. Maher our treasurer has been re-appointed Deputy of the Grand Master in District No. 5 and continues as a Trustee of the Masonic Retirement Center and as a member of the Finance Committee. R.:W.: Gale Kenney, our honorary Past Master was elected Senior Grand Warden at the June Grand Lodge sessions. As noted elsewhere your secretary was also honored at Grand Lodge.

When Leo Durocher was manager of the Dodgers he was booed for pulling a pitcher out in the eighth inning of a close game. A reporter asked him later how he felt about the crowd's reaction. He replied, "Baseball is like church. Many attend. Few understand."

*Leo Durocher – born 1906*

## MORE DAYLIGHT HISTORY

### TEN YEARS AGO

**1997-1998 James R. Maher** who first served as Master in 1993 is a plural member from Tyee No. 115. He was raised in that lodge and affiliated as a plural member June 17, 1989. He was born in the Mile High City, Denver Colorado December 14, 1962. His Grandfather was a Past Master of Fairhaven Lodge No. 73 in Bellingham. Maher gave his proficiency in Tyee Lodge and promptly left for a visit to British Isles and barely dry behind the ears as a Mason visited lodges in Scotland including the Grand Lodge.

He returned to Daylight's East on September 20, 1997 when secretary Coe Tug Morgan with the assistance of Past Grand Masters Milton Benson and George Jurgich, installed him for a second time as Worshipful Master. Brother Maher then installed the rest of the officers. The 1998-1999 Grand Lodge year was notable for Grand Master Carl Smith selecting another Daylight member to serve as his Deputy in District No. 5. David Julian became the fourth member of the lodge to hold that distinction in a period of eighteen years when he received the purple collar June 12 in Spokane. In the Grand Lodge of British Columbia and the Yukon, Daylight's honorary past master Ben Robinson was appointed to wear the purple collar as Senior Grand Deacon and Meridian past master James Gordon was elected Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

The lodge also decided that the major decision to invest in a credit card account allowing brethren and petitioners to place fees, dues, etc. on a credit card had proved effective and decided to continue the program. The lodge also joined Green Lake Lodge No. 149 with membership in the Green Lake Chamber of Commerce. The year ended with two young petitioners starting their Masonic journey, one of them being the lodge's current Master. These were the first petitions for the degrees in four years. In May the Masonic Home Endowment Committee to raise funds from the Masonic Retirement Center, held Western Dinner and Auction at Springwood Ranch near Ellensburg. Asked to make a donation, Daylight instead offered the use of its credit card account. It was still the only lodge to have such a means of making payments.

### FIFTY YEARS AGO

**1957 - Paul Otto Kurth** The last 19th Century Master, Paul Kurth was born in Torgelow, Germany March 21, 1899. Records give no indication when he came to the United States or Seattle, but like his predecessor, he was a machinist by trade, a foreman in the can manufacturing industry. He started his Masonry in Charleston Lodge No. 269 in Bremerton, on April 16, 1947 taking his Entered Apprentice degree, but did not advance until 1951 when a number of his co-workers joined Daylight. He joined them as a courtesy candidate and was finally raised as a Master Mason May 9, 1951. John Robertson appointed him Chaplain. His installation January 9, 1957 by VW James Andrews was the first time since 1931 that a Daylight member was installing officer. Of the officers elected or appointed there were only three from the entertainment field, the new treasurer Earl Stanley, Junior Deacon Don Johnston and Junior Steward Walter Emmon. Kurth passed away September 3, 1968.

The March minutes make reference to a report given by Worshipful Brothers Robertson and Hardy reporting on public schools and urging the members to keep a close watch on legislation being enacted at Olympia. The minutes also indicate that James Andrews continued for a second year at District Deputy because the September minutes record his introduction in the East with that title.

The annual exchange visits between Meridian Lodge No. 108 and Daylight continued, however the practice of Portland's Midday Lodge No. 188 joining in the visitation had gone by the boards and it was no longer involved. The November 13, 1957 minutes record the receipt of a petition for dual membership from a brother who was to become one of the lodge pillars of support, singer/voice teacher George Peckham. New officers were in due course elected, all advanced in the expected manner to be installed on January 8, 1958 in the presence of Past Grand Master Walter Higgins. Daylight's own Very Worshipful James Andrews once again was the installing officer.