

Seattle's Masonic Lodge of the Music, Theatre and the Arts

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DAYLIGHT LODGE #232

Trestleboard

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JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN CANDIDATES TO VISIT and be on the hot seat of questions and answers

Worshipful Master Julian will open lodge for the April 19 Stated Meeting at the usual hour of 10:00 a.m. The business part of the meeting will be kept short and sweet in typical Daylight style because the Master has invited all the lodges in the Greater Seattle area, that is District 4, 5, 6, 7, and parts of 13 and 32 to join us. At least four of the five candidates for the important office of Junior Grand Warden have agreed to attend the meeting and be part of a round table discussion on their vision of the future of Grand Lodge and their own ideas.

This will be held around the Festiveboard Table so it will be informal and hopefully informative. Each candidate will be given a chance to state his position and ideas, there will be sort of a rebuttal time if needed and then questions from the floor, hopefully lots of them so that we might get an idea of where the rank and file members of the Craft might expect to be lead in the next few years.

Junior Warden Monaco promises an ample and good meal for the Festiveboard and Fellowship table. We hope to see you all on the 19th of April to, shall we say, work over the candidates? It should be a fun meeting and informative.

A petition for Plural Membership has been received for Brother Justin Simmons of Doric Lodge No. 92 and will be spread for ballot at this meeting. Brother Simmons was raised last month as a Doric member but because he has a meeting conflict with Doric's meeting nights, he has petitioned Daylight so that he might continue to gain knowledge in Masonry.

We know what we are, but know not what we shall be.

William Shakespeare

The ablest man I ever met is that man you think you are

Brother Franklin D. Roosevelt

No one can make you inferior without your consent.

Eleanor Roosevelt

MORE SYSO DINNER

The lodge has received a number of nice thank you notes from musicians and parents who attended the SYSO Dinner in February. One parent, Rose Ann Cattolico wrote in part, "My son Toby has decided to pursue a career in percussion performance as he looks to college one year from now. Your continued support has certainly been instrumental in this decision . . . you are making a real difference"

We also received a thank you note from Toby who wrote, "Thank you for your generous and special award. I am very honored to receive it because it is the second year in a row. I am also interested in becoming a Mason and I will be 18 in June . . ."

You can bet that the lodge will jump on that like, "A hawk on a sparrow."

Membership has never been a goal of this program but it certainly is nice to know that we are being noticed as supporters of young musicians. If we should get a member because of it, that is nice but secondary.

MAY 17 TO BE PM AND MEMBERS HONORS DAY

Plan ahead for the May meeting. Worshipful Master Julian intends to honor past masters and other long time and dedicated members who have contributed so much to the lodge over its many years.

JUST FOR THE FUN OF READING IT AGAIN

Like as the waves make towards the pebbled shore So do our minutes hasten to their end; Each changing place that which goes before, In sequent toil all forwards do contend. Nativity, once in the main of light, Crawls to maturity, wherewith being crown'd Crooked eclipses 'gainsts his glory fight, And Time that gave doth now his gift confound. Time doth transfix the flourishes set on youth And delves the parallels in beauty brow, Feeds on the rarities of nature's truth, And nothing stands but for his scythe to mow:

And yet to times in hope my verse shall stand,

Praising thy worth, despite his cruel hand.

William Shakespeare – Sonnet LX

Remember this part of the Master Mason Degree lecture?

The Hour-Glass is an emblem of human life. Behold how swiftly the sands run, and how rapidly our lives are drawing to a close! We cannot without astonishment observe the little particles which are contained in this machine how they pass away almost imperceptibly; and yet, to our surprise, in the short space of an hour they are exhausted! This is the state of man: Today he puts forth the tender leaves of hope; tomorrow blossoms, and bears his blushing honors thick upon him; the third day comes a frost, a killing frost, and when he thinks, good easy man, full surely his

<u>greatness is a-ripening - nips his root, and</u> <u>then he falls like autumn leaves, to enrich our</u> mother earth.

Question: Who first wrote those underlined words and who says them and why? {look around}

Seattle Symphony Orchestra celebrate it 100th Anniversary season starting with this falls season. It is interesting to see the number of Daylight members who have been part of the orchestra since it started 100 years ago. Brothers like W\ Bill Wright who was 2nd chair clarinet and as well as bass clarinet, saxophone. Then there was Charlie Decker who led the brass section for many years, Frank Horsfall the principal flautist, and Alvin Schardt leading the horns. Others like Past Masters Grant Kuhn, Tommy Solberg, Karl Horn, who were on the roster from time to time because they were more inclined to be band musicians, in the case of Horn and Kuhn, popular bandleaders. Others like Past Masters Athol Laity, Carbon Webber and Harry Reid had their turn under different batons but those three were mostly offstage as officers of the Musician's Union Local 76.

Bill Wright tried to teach your secretary to play the clarinet without much success. Charter member Emil Hansen pounded away on the tympani for many, many years and at the neighborhood and school concerts that the symphony did for years, he would get out his washboard and saw and entertain with a little good old tub-thumping fun. He did the same from time at lodge meetings. Think of the great names and not so great conductors that Emil and the other lodge members played under as orchestra members. Names like **Thomas** Beecham, Leopold Stokowski, Karl Krueger, Brother Milton Katims and many others. Think of the great musicians they supported like Rubinstein, Piatigorsky, Menuhin, Horowitz, Melchior, Melba, Price; the list is endless. Daylight can be proud to have been a small part of this musical heritage of 100 years given by its many musician members.

Parsifal, the kind of opera that starts at six o'clock and after it has been going for three hours, you look at your watch and it says 6:20
------ David Randolph

One can't judge Wagner's opera Lohengrin after the first hearing, and I certainly don't intend hear it a second time.

----- Gioacchino Rossini

Wagner's music is better than it sounds

----- Mark Twain

VISIT TO OLYMPUS #45

Worshipful Master Julian has a special visitation planned to Olympus Lodge No. 45, Seattle's other daylight lodge. Olympus is the Prince Hall daytime lodge and meets on the first and third Saturdays at noon at the Prince Hall Masonic Hall on 24th south of Yesler. Put the date May 3th in your scheduler or on your calendar. An email will go out to all the local members that have it with more detail or you can call the Worshipful Master Julian or your secretary.

It have been a number of years since and Daylight members have paid a fraternal visit to our sister daylight lodge and it should be a fun day. Daylight will provide part of the fellowship luncheon.

Plan on attending and share the fraternal fellowship.

A Masonic History Question: How many Masons signed the Constitution? According to a booklet published by the Masonic Service Association of North America, thirteen [one third] can be documented and confirmed as members of the Craft. Another seven are said to be have been Masons based on tradition or undocumented information and their membership cannot be proven conclusively. The balance, nineteen in all have never been found to have any record of membership or any other Masonic activity.

The known Masons were:

Gunning Bedford Jr.* Delaware John Blair * Virginia David Brearley * New Jersey Jacob Broom Delaware Daniel Carroll Maryland Jonathan Dayton New Jersev John Dickinson Delaware Benjamin Franklin * Pennsylvania Nicholas Gilman New Hampshire Rufus King Massachusetts James McHenry Maryland William Paterson New Jersey George Washington Virginia

* served as a Grand Master before or after signing

The second group, the maybe were:

William Blount	North Carolina
William Few	Georgia
William Samuel Johnson	Connecticut
John Landon	New Hampshire
Robert Morris	Pennsylvania
George Read	Delaware
Roger Sherman	Connecticut