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DAYLIGHT Stated Meeting - January 19, 2008

& DAYLIGHT LODGE No. 232 &

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## STATED MEETING - JANUARY 19

Worshipful Master Monaco has informed Senior Warden Andy Anderson and the other officers that the Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup> Stated meeting, the first for 2008 will be 'Step-Up Morning' and the Senior Warden will be in the East to run the meeting. There is nothing special planned for this month other than some basic training on floor work, proper escorting and introductions which the Worshipful Master feels needs brushing up.

As usual there will be a Fellowship Hour and Festiveboard after the meeting with Brother Dathean Luna and his lady Annie in charge of the kitchen. So come to Lodge, join in the fellowship and fun.

#### DAYLIGHT NOW ONLINE FOR DUES AND OTHER PAYMENTS

The Lodge voted to set up a PayPal account for payment of dues and other things like the SYSO dinner. Worshipful Master Monaco charged Senior Steward Sam Ali with the task of getting the details, checking with other Lodges about their experience with PayPal or other such online paying. The decision was to set up a PayPal account. At one time the Lodge did have a credit card account but it became too expensive because of the ever increasing fees demanded for bank profits.

If in doubt, you should soon receive a letter from Worshipful Master Anthony and Brother Sam explaining how to use PayPal and all that. They have assured your secretary even though he doesn't really know what is going on with this; that not only will he still 'observe the will and pleasure of the Worshipful Master (such an ordeal as that can or may be), [and] receive all monies due the lodge' but they will train him to understand how he will do all this techie stuff that comes naturally to them but not to him. It seems like a good step into the 21st Century and keeping Daylight current with today's technologies for doing business, appealing especially with the younger brethren.

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# DAYLIGHT'S SEATTLE YOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA HONORS DINNER SUNDAY, JANUARY 13

Yes, the dinners continue; the 2008 Honors Dinner will be held on Sunday, January 13<sup>th</sup> in the University Masonic Hall, 4338 University Way NE in Seattle with dinner served at 5:30 p.m. By honoring the First Chair Players, the Lodge is honoring the other members of those sections they lead.

As set out in the 'BEACH B' – Daylight's Operating Procedures and Officers Guide, Junior Warden David Y. Choe is responsible for planning and carrying out the event. Our youngest members, the four Entered Apprentices who were made Masons last month are expected to serve as waiters; it is part of their lodge proficiency exam. This way they learn how important it is that the members never go hungry at any meeting and what Daylight does in community service, not just write a check to charity but participates in giving. Daylight is also grateful to the support of University Lodge No. 141 for their very reasonable rent for the evening on January 13th.

Brother Choe joins with Worshipful Master Anthony Monaco in urging your support of this unique Masonic and SYSO event. Help as your Lodge salutes these fine young student musicians; join them for dinner and help honor their special talents. Your invite has already been put in the mail so Brother Choe asks that you return it quickly so the right food can be planned. Attendance has increased each year so seating can be limited. As of this Trestleboard being sent to you there are eight young musicians with family signed up for dinner.

Tickets for the dinner are \$25.00 each and can be reserved and paid by using PayPal on the lodge's web site <a href="https://www.daylightmasons.org">www.daylightmasons.org</a>

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SEE YOU JANUARY 13<sup>TH</sup> at the UNIVERSITY MASONIC HALL on UNIVERSITY WAY N.E.

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## more daylight history

1924 – Ordel Ross McLain On December 28, 1923 retiring Master Harry Carney installed a musician Ordel McLain, born January 31, 1885 in Wymore, Nebraska as the new Master of the Lodge. McLain submitted his petition that says he moved to Seattle in 1906, the same day as Harry Carney who preceded him as Master but he completed his degrees seven days earlier on July 7, 1920. He was working in the pit at the Moore Theater then called the Orpheum when he petitioned and he later became an officer in the Seattle local of the Musician's Union. He was active in the lodge for many years. For some reason in December 1958 he demitted from the lodge but reaffiliated in May of 1960 and continued as member until his death June 10, 1970.

There is little doubt that there continued to be a close, friendly relationship between Daylight and its daughter, Elliot Bay Lodge because the Daylight minutes of January 9, 1924 contain a motion:

"for the loan of some of our paraphernalia, was granted; they to be congratulated on having obtained their charter, and quarters in the Masonic Temple."

The minutes show bills for that month totaled \$613.20, which included \$231.50 for Grand Lodge. In 1925 the Grand Conclave of the Knights Templars was planned for Seattle and the March 12, 1924 minutes note that a:

Brother Judd of the Knight Templar 1925 Conclave Committee, spoke of the merits of this conclave and the necessity of raising money to entertain same, he said that the quota for each lodge was a minimum of \$1.00 per member. On motion the W. Master was to appoint a committee of three to take up this matter and report next meeting...

It must be assumed that the request was received with lukewarm enthusiasm for the committee returned a resolution at the April 9 meeting which, after many Whereas and other words of support and praise for the conclave said, that each member of Daylight Lodge No. 232, voluntarily pledge the amount of one \$1.00 dollar. The January 14, 1925 minutes record that \$75.00 was sent to the Knight Templar Triennial Committee. Those minutes also note a report from Brother McLain that Brother H. Emil Hansen was still confined to his home, as the result of an automobile accident. A charter member of Our the Lodge, Hansen was the timpanist for the Seattle Symphony Orchestra until late in the 1950s.

1924 was unique in Daylight's history. In that year the lodge's only Masonic trial was held. Entered Apprentice Brother Hawkinson was charged with unMasonic conduct. It was claimed that among other things,

"shortly after his Initiation as an Entered Apprentice Mason, he deserted his wife without apparent justification, went to the City of Spokane and there did carouse with questionable characters; and did drink to excess, and otherwise did act in a manner unbecoming a Mason."

A trial committee was appointed and in December they reported back, *Not Guilty.* Hidden in the lodge correspondence was a complete report of the matter, hand written in pencil, on 5" by 8" paper held together by a rusty straight pin, but very difficult to completely decipher. It was written that Brother Hawkinson was a traveling furniture

salesman. His wife, described as extremely jealous and always claiming that he was seeing other women, had made the charges against him both before and after he became a Mason. The records show statements from various people including the Spokane's Davenport Hotel Manager repudiating the charges. Years later when asked about this trial, charter member Beach Taylor who was listed as a witness, explained that it was a simple case of putting the *cart before the horse*. No one completely checked the details before filing the charges. In fact the wife alone was the source of all the accusations and a charge that he was seeing another woman in Spokane was a joke, the woman was his sister or sister-in-law. The brother continued as a member in good standing until his death in 1975.

#### **OTHER DAYLIGHT HAPPENINGS IN 1924**

To the south of Seattle, in the Rose City, Portland, Oregon on May 14 at the appropriate hour of High Twelve, a group a Masons gathered together with a Brother Harold G. Kiel of St. Cecilia Lodge No. 865 of Chicago to consider a daytime lodge. That St. Cecilia Lodge No. 865 chartered October 8, 1902 should be represented was fitting encouragement. When St. Cecilia Lodge was chartered, it could take any number not in use and to honor St. Cecile Lodge No. 568 in New York the Chicago lodge took the number 865, reversing the order of numbers.

Sponsorship for the Portland daytime lodge was offered by Willamette Lodge No. 2, the Oregon city's oldest lodge. No officers were selected until a third meeting when Fred A. Dayton was elected Master by acclamation and the names *High Twelve* and *Midday* were balloted upon, Midday being the popular choice.

The dispensation was granted and Midday Lodge U.D. opened its first meeting on January 3, 1925. The charter was given on June 26, 1925, Grand Master Percy R. Kelley installing F. A. Dayton as the first Master and the lodge minutes show that Midday's Orchestra, under the direction of J. F. N. Colburn rendered several pleasing numbers. One of the better-known members of Midday Lodge was Mel Blanc., voice of comic characters in the films. For the next twenty years Midday was one of the six lodges that constituted West Coast daylight Masonry. In the early 1990's Midday Lodge merged with Sherwood Lodge No. 164 as Sherwood-Midday Lodge No. 164. Sherwood Lodge had changed to daytime meetings in the 1980s.

Our Senior Warden Andy Anderson has been accepted by Seattle University to pursue a Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership. He will start his studies, etc., in July 2008 about the same time as he should become Master of the Lodge. So at sometime in the future he will be W.: Brother Andrew Anderson, Ed. D. or maybe just Worshipful Brother Dr. Anderson. He has said his eventual goal is to become a university or college president.

Stravinsky's *Symphony for Wind Instruments* written in memory of Debussy . . . was greeted with cheers, hisses and laughter. I had no idea Stravinsky disliked Debussy so much as this. If my own memories of a friend were as painful as Stravinsky's of Debussy seem to be, I would try to forget him.

(Ernest Newman, Musical Times, London, July 1921)

of all thirteen THE AVERAGE AGE candidates initiated in 2007 is 39.4; the oldest WAS 24 and THE 60. VOUNGEST Worshipful Master Monaco conferred 25 plus degrees during THE SEVERAL **VEAR** courtesies for other lodges.

The lodge starts 2008 with 70 Master Masons on the books. There are four brothers now waiting for the Fellowcraft Degree and nine waiting for Master Mason degrees. Two of the brothers waiting for the Master Mason have moved away, one of them to work in China, the other in Hollywood so their degree work is going to be a problem. And there are more petitions in the future.

Worshipful Master Monaco has planned Master Mason degrees for Saturday morning, February 2<sup>nd</sup> and because Brother Matthew WENZ HAS MOVED TO CLE ELUM W.: ANTHONY HAS been in contact with the Master of Cle Elum/St. Thomas Lodge with the proposal that WE CONFER BROTHER MATTHEW'S AND TWO OTHER'S degrees over there on Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup>. We will take our degree team, sound system, COSTUMES and everything OVER THERE. Afterward he thinks that we do lunch at the famous "Brick" in Roslyn. KEED TUNED for more details.

Check the website: <a href="www.daylightmasons.org">www.daylightmasons.org</a> for a list of events for the first half of 2008. It looks to be at least two meetings a month, on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday degree work and the Stated on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday. Lunch will be at the Lodge Hall for Stated Meetings and at one of the local restaurants for Degree Meetings.

If you wish to avoid seeing a fool you must first break your looking-glass. *Rabelais* 

He who thinks himself wise, O Heavens! Is a great fool - Voltaire

### In memory of Cleo McCord

I met a dear old man today, Who wore a Masonic pin, It was old and faded like the man, It's edges were worn quite thin.

I approached the park bench where he sat, To give the old brother his due, I said, "I see you've traveled east," He said, "I have, have you."

I said, "I have, and in my day Before the all seeing sun, I played in the rubble, with Jubala Jubalo and Jubalum."

He shouted, "don't laugh at the work my son, It's good and sweet and true, And if you've traveled as you said, You should give these things their due."

The word, the sign the token,
The sweet Masonic prayer,
The vow that all have taken,
Who've climbed the inner stair.

The wages of a Mason,
Are never paid in gold,
But the gain comes from contentment,
When you're weak and growing old.

You see, I've carried my obligations, For almost fifty years, It has helped me through the hardships And the failures full of tears.

Now I'm losing my mind and body, Death is near but I don't despair, I've lived my life upon the level, And I'm dying upon the square.

Sometimes the greatest lessons Are those that are learned anew, And the old man in the park today Has changed my point of view.

To all Masonic brother,
The only secret is to care,
May you live your life upon the level,
May you part upon the square.

