

Seattle's Masonic Lodge of the Arts

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Daylight lodge No. 232

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STATED MEETING NOVEMBER 17

The last Daylight meeting of the year 2001 will be held on Saturday morning, November 17. Worshipful Master Julian will open lodge at the stated hour of 10:00 a.m. It will be a special day of training and also the director of the new Billings Middle School that is now located in the old Green Lake Funeral Home will be a guest for lunch. In fact he has been invited to bring any member of his staff that might like to come with him. It will give both Mr. Ted Kalmus and Daylight a chance to meet each other as neighbors.

As most of us are aware parking is always tight at Green Lake and we have proposed to the school that we would be willing to rent the unused space next to the Masonic Hall for our Saturday meetings. As this is written there has been no final answer. Another unused parking lot owner has been approached and we hope to solve the parking problem in a short time. It may include a sort of shuttle from the METRO Park and Ride lot at 65th and Ravenna under I-5. And during the winter months the parking lot in the Green Lake Park across the street is almost always empty. So there is parking. Of course if the truth be said, those who appreciate their Masonry will come to lodge regardless of parking problems. Parking is not real problem. Just come to lodge, you'll solve the parking problem with us and a couple blocks walk and exercise is certainly good for all of our bodies.

And to rejuvenate your body and spirits, our Junior Warden Uly Ruiz of course promises to provide an interesting and satisfactory Festiveboard to go along with the Fellowship Hour following the meeting.

Just a friendly reminder: Dues payments are now in order. Please send them to the secretary as a holiday gift. If you didn't get your notice here are the rates again:

LIFE MEMBERS - OWED FOR GRAND LODGE	\$18.00
SENIOR MEMBERS - 65 YEARS & OLDER	\$72.00
FULL MEMBERS – UNDER 65 YEARS	\$126.00

Your added donations are put in the lodge's Permanent Fund. Check your Bylaws/Roster Booklet for Daylight Life Membership amounts and save money and benefit the Lodge's investment account and the future of your lodge.

what's happened lately in your lodge

The lodge had a very successful set of Fellowcraft Degrees during our October 20 meeting. Our own Brother David Cooper along with Brian Burns from Spokane's North Hill Lodge No. 210 plus Tom and Fred Eastman from Eureka Lodge No. 20 were passed to Fellowcraft status. The East was filled by W.: Brother Chuck Burns of North Hill, the remainder of the major positions were filled by Daylight's young officers and the ritual work was outstandingly well done. W.: Brother Al Mungin from Occidental No. 72 in Ballard gave the Middle Chamber Stairs lecture in his usual manner which is described by all that hear it as, spectacular. Junior Warden Ruiz put together an excellent degree team. It was perhaps fitting that the Eastman brothers were included in the degree because their father W.: Brother Jesse was a dual member of both Eureka and Daylight. The January meeting will see our Brother Cooper receiving his Master Mason degree Brother Burns is expected to complete his Masonic degrees in Spokane but several Daylight member hope to make the trip to the Inland Empire city to see that North Hill does things right.

There were three important decisions reached at the last meeting. The lodge voted to again in 2002 sponsor the Canal Bandstand at the Fremont Solstice Fair and also to include a Masonic information booth. This booth it is hoped will be a joint venture between Daylight, St. John's No. 9 and Queen Anne No. 242. By sponsoring the Canal Bandstand we are one of the Fair sponsors so we have been told we able to have a booth even though there is a probable waiting list. And the lodge voted to get a suitable banner made for the Bandstand. An artist has already been contacted about an appropriate and hopefully eye catching design.

"Tradition" is usually a thing that has been blackened by time. "Changeless" embodied all change that had crept in it's long history.

Gary Wills – Certain Trumpets

Masonry responded to the tragedy in New York with its usual prompt and open wallet. M\ W\ Earl Smith, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York immediately set aside one million dollars from the Masonic Brotherhood Fund for families of brothers lost in the WTC terrorist attack. And the Masonic Service Association of North America created a Relief Fund to aid New York and Pentagon victims.

Anyone who would like to donate can do so either through the Grand Lodge of Washington to the MSONA. or to the Grand Lodge of New York directly for World Trade Tower Relief

The MSONA will give a part of the donation to Pentagon relief. and the larger balance to New York relief. To send a donation directly to New York mark your check WTC Relief Fund and send it to MJB c/o Grand Lodge F&AM, 71 West 23rd St. NY, NY 10010-41449

If you want to donate to the MSONA, send your check. to your secretary and he will forward it to Grand Lodge. Be sure to mark your check for the Pentagon/WTC Relief.

It might be appropriate to mention that the Shrine Hospitals even though they service children, because of their vast experience with burns, offered burn victims of these attacks, any help that might be needed.

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Another prophetic critical comment... Today by many, Chopin is often called "The Poet of the Piano." In the December 20, 1845 publication *The Athenaeum*, critic H.F. Chorley wrote:

M. Chopin increasing effects the crudest modulations. Cunning must be the connoisseur, indeed, who, while listening to his music, can form the slightest idea when wrong notes are played—its difficulties to the being doubled by the composers eccentricity of notation.

Words from the East

I just wanted to take a few minutes to thank all the brethren who helped out on the 2nd Degrees in the last Stated Meeting, especially JW Uly Ruiz who put it all together. It was the first time in a long time that I can remember not being forced into a part. And a great time was had by all at the Festive Board.

In this coming meeting, I want to address some serious issues concerning the future of Daylight Lodge, especially since parking has become critical. We are meeting with the main man at the school (former funeral home) next door to Greenlake Masonic Center to see if we might park there. VW Coe Morgan is also pursuing the possibility of some spaces across the street, or even some kind of shuttle arrangement from the Park n'Ride near 65th . . .

I think we have some great opportunity for ride sharing/car pooling. If we had even half a dozen reserved parking spaces, we could issue parking passes to drivers who would bring three or four brothers each, that would still give us 18 to 24 member at each meeting. If we're not going to do that, we may have no alternative than to look for a more accessible site.

Brothers, we have a great young team coming up and they need our support - and that means your attendance. I need your input. I need to know what I/we have to do to get you back and active in Lodge . . .

David S. Julian, Worshipful Master

There are young men out there who would like to be Masons but they don't know how to join. Have you used a "Between Friends" pamphlet to let your best friend know about Masonry? They will join if you let them know that you are a Mason and how they can be one with you.

OK, so you read page one? Now get out your check book and send in your dues payment for 2002. Daylight brethren have always been very good about clearing your secretary's record books by early in the year. It sure saves a lot of problems later in the year.

Just for your information for the year 2000 our Grand Lodge per capita assessment and other charges amounted to \$1,071.00. For 2001. This year's billing will be about the same so that is a good reason to pay promptly. We also have one resident living at the Masonic Retirement Center that the lodge does pay support on.

Peace is not a gift. It is like a building that is never finished. Such things are difficult to do without assistance. You will each contribute different talents to the process of construction.

Alan Dean Foster *The Spoils of War.*

**Because this
November 17th is the last
meeting of 2001,
Your officers and brethren
Join in wishing you**

**HOLIDAY GREETINGS
AND
A
HAPPY NEW YEAR**

2002 MEETING DATES

<i>January 19</i>	<i>Stated meeting MM degree</i>
<i>February 16</i>	<i>Stated meeting</i>
<i>February 24</i>	<i>Youth Symphony Honors Nite</i>
<i>March 24</i>	<i>Stated meeting</i>
<i>April 20</i>	<i>Stated meeting</i>
<i>May 18</i>	<i>Stated meeting</i>
<i>June 15-16</i>	<i>Fremont Festival Band Stand</i>
<i>June 22</i>	<i>Stated meeting</i>
<i>July 27 (?)</i>	<i>Stated meeting</i>
<i>September 27</i>	<i>Stated meeting/elections and Installation of officers</i>
<i>October 19</i>	<i>Stated meeting</i>
<i>November 16</i>	<i>Stated meeting</i>