

# BREMERTON LODGE #117

FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS OF WASHINGTON  
10<sup>th</sup> Edition

*News from the South:*

October 14, 2023

## *It's that time of the Year...*

My Brothers first and foremost, on behalf of the rest of elected officers, thank you so much for the trust. The election of Lodge Officers for the upcoming year was held during our October Stated Meeting and I would like to congratulate all the elected officers:

Worshipful Master	WB Percy Peregrino
Senior Warden	Bro. Norman Jimenez
Junior Warden	WB Matt Parham
Treasurer	WB Rogelio Ocampo
Secretary	WB Roland Abubo

The Installation of Officers for year 2023-2024 is scheduled to be held on December 2<sup>nd</sup> at Victory Memorial Masonic Temple. Stay tuned for the time. We hope to see you there and support our Lodge upcoming corps of officers.

Another good thing that happened to our Lodge during our stated meeting is that Brother Fernando Popoca, whom we just passed to Fellowcraft degree last September 22<sup>nd</sup>, had performed an outstanding proficiency return. Many thank to his coach Bro. Cliff Labelle, for his hard work and mentoring our younger brother. The Third Degree work is on plan and will keep everyone informed once we have a firm date.

Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>, Bremerton Lodge conferred the Entered Apprentice degree upon Mr. Dennis Labrecque, who is now Bro. Dennis Labrecque. After many months of patiently waiting, this fine gentleman proved himself to be worthy to receive the degree of Freemasonry. The degree work performed is truly a degree work to remember; the Degree Team with exception of Treasurer, Secretary, Chaplain, Marshal and Tyler are all Brothers who are not in the regular line of officers and mostly are in their first year of Masonry. Though they are fairly new to our Craft, these Brothers proved their fidelity and their love to our Fraternity with such exemplary performance.



Lastly, next Friday the 20<sup>th</sup>, Bremerton Lodge is going to conduct a Table Lodge. This is something that our lodge haven't done in many years and we are excited to revive this traditional custom which normally being held on the month of June or December, it being historically an event to commemorate the Holy Saints John; this year's theme on the other hand is October-Feast and the course that will be served is just fitting for the season. The monetary contribution that the Lodge will receive is going to one of our Charity work; The Bremerton Backpack Brigade. This charity work provides meals to many Bremerton Students and their families who lived in poverty. We hope to see you on Friday the 20<sup>th</sup> and support this great cause, my Brothers.

## ***October Masonic Birthday:***

The following Brother(s) were Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason in the Month of October:

Bro. Raymond Delask	Bro. Michael Dela Cruz
Bro. William Michael Lewis	Bro. Patrick Leroy Marley
Bro. Erik Lee Swanson	

## **These 5 Brothers have a combined 57 Masonic Years**

Happy Masonic Birthday to you all and May the Great Architect of the Universe bless you with more Masonic Birthdays and Great Health.

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## *Masonic Calendar:*

10/17: William H. Upton #206: Stated Meeting – **Fill the Lodge Night**. Dinner @ 6:30 pm / Labor @ 7:30 pm. With Special Presentation by WB Thomas Lamb, Topic: Origins of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree.

10/19: Franklin Lodge #5: Stated Meeting. – Dinner at 630 pm / Labor at 730 pm. Grand Master's Official Visit.

10/21: Warren G. Harding #260: Installation of Officers. Time: 10:00 am

10/22: Bremerton Lodge #117: Benedict House Charity Work. Meet at the Bremerton Masonic Temple Parking Lot @ 2:45 pm.

10/26: Hood Canal Lodge #288: Stated Meeting - Dinner at 630 pm / Labor at 730 pm

10/28:

a) D3/12 Lodge Officer's Association Breakfast. Time: 9:00 am

b) Port Orchard / John Paul Jones Lodge #98: Installation of Officers. Time: 2:00 pm

## *Masonic Symbols:*

Beehive – Monitorially, a symbol of industry and cooperation. By implication, a symbol also of social obligation; reciprocal love and friendship.

## *Masonic Trivia:*

According to LOH 2-21, the Senior Deacon presents visitor at the Altar and...

1. The Worshipful Master presents them from the East.
2. The Worshipful Master gives them the Public Grand Honors.
3. The Worshipful Master introduces visitors from the East.
4. None of the above.

## *Word of Wisdom:*

“Masonic labor is purely a labor of love. He who seek to draw Masonic Wages in gold and silver will be disappointed. The wages of a Mason are in dealings with one another; sympathy begets sympathy, kindness begets kindness, helpfulness begets helpfulness, and these are the wages of a Mason”

MWB Benjamin Franklin

**Table Lodge**

**Bremerton Lodge No. 117**  
**Annual Table Lodge**

**Friday, October 20th, 2023**  
Victory Memorial Masonic Temple  
878 5th Street  
Bremerton, WA 98337  
**6:30 pm**

Please make your reservation with one of the following Brothers:  
VWB Todd Mears (360) 286-0358    WB Joe Segrist (360) 620-0859    Bro. Norman Jimenez (360) 471-2170

**Attire: Suit and Tie**  
Donations will be taken at the door

Keep Guarding the West Gate, my Brothers.

Fraternally,  
**Bro. Norman C. Jimenez**  
Junior Warden