

BREMERTON LODGE #117

FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS OF WASHINGTON
11th Edition

News from the South:

October 28, 2023

TABLE OF INSTRUCTION...

We did it, Brothers and we did it with great success, wonderful fellowship and outstanding meal. Bremerton Lodge #117 Table Lodge is in the book, recorded in the archive of our Lodge. Many thanks to all that Brothers who made such great event a Success: To our WM, VWB Todd Mears who initiated for this customary event to happen; VWB Bill Hubbard for the Cannon, WB Joe Segrist for planning, WB Matt Parham and Bro. Cliff Labelle for the well prepared 6 course meal and to all the Brothers who came and participated. Our guest speaker, WB Ed Harris, the Word of Wisdom that he shared among the Brethren, the first 4 questions in the EAM Posting Lecture was spot on and perfect for the event. It was a great night of fellowship for everyone to remember.

The Box of Fraternal Assistance was passed for the Charity that the WM choose which is the Bremerton Backpack Brigade. A non-profit organization that main objective is to provide food and nourishment to over 450 Bremerton Students who lives in poverty. We raised \$500.00 that night and Bremerton Lodge matches the money raised; and the Grand Lodge also matches the total money. Bremerton Backpack Brigade will receive \$2000.00 and will be presented by the WM on the day of Installation (December 2nd) before he turns over the gavel.



VIVAT! VIVAT! VIVAT!

My Brothers, what we did that night is for a great cause, it did not only build the camaraderie between Brothers but us also building relationship with our community.

Well done, Brethren, well done!!!



Masonic Calendar:

11/01: Bremerton Valley Scottish Rite: Stated Meeting – Dinner @ 6:30 pm / Labor @ 7:30 pm.

11/02: Warren G. Harding Lodge #260: Stated Meeting - Dinner @ 6:30 pm / Labor @ 7:30 pm.

11/03: Bremerton Lodge #117: Planning Meeting – Potluck Dinner @ 6:30 pm.

** Port Orchard / John Paul Jones #98: Stated Meeting - Dinner @ 6:30 pm / Labor @ 7:30 pm.

11/04: Silverdale Lodge #311: High-way Clean-up – Meet @ Wal-Mart (East Bremerton) Parking Lot @ 9:00 am.

11/06: Silverdale Lodge #311: Stated Meeting (Military Night) – Dinner @ 6:30 pm / Labor @ 7:30 pm.

11/07: Steadfast Lodge #216: Stated Meeting – Dinner @ 6:30 pm / Labor @ 7:30 pm.

11/09: Bremerton Lodge #117: Stated Meeting (Step-up Night) – Dinner @ 6:30 pm / Labor @ 7:30 pm. Guest Speaker: Mac Macdonald Subject: How to Light your own Fuse?

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Masonic Trivia:

While surfing the Internet and you or a member of your Lodge sees a Membership or Educational program from another jurisdiction, you may contact them by..... (Ref: LOH 7-53)

1. Emailing their Secretary of the Lodge.
2. Emailing the Grand Secretary of their Jurisdiction.
3. Contacting the Grand Secretary who will forward an inquiry to the Grand Secretary of the other Jurisdiction.

Answer to previous Newsletter Trivia:

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

- The Worshipful Master introduces visitors from the East.

Word of Wisdom:

“If a man will begin with certainties, he shall end in doubts; but if he will be content to begin with doubts, he shall end in certainties”

Francis Bacon

Sometimes knowing can be an impediment on the road to true understanding. When we are sure we know something, we close our minds to the possibility that there may be yet more to comprehend. But if we approach with an open mind and an open heart, willing to listen, willing to adopt a more humble demeanor, we may learn more than we could imagined. Freemasonry always offers more lessons, deeper insights and the possibility of ever greater levels of understanding and we must be sure to stay open to this great gift that the Order offers to us. It is for this reason that we are encouraged “to make a daily advancement in Masonic knowledge”. Those who suggest that this injunction only applies to the learning of ritual have already closed themselves off from the infinite possibilities that deeper study might afford them. Let us determine to remain open, to allow a level of doubt in our knowing and to trust, all the while that this will lead, in the end, to certainty.

**** The New Lodge Challenge Coins are in ****



\$20.00

Get them while supply last!!!

Keep Guarding the West Gate, my Brothers.

Fraternally,
Bro. Norman C. Jimenez
Junior Warden