

BREMERTON LODGE #117

FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS OF WASHINGTON
13th Edition

News from the South:

It's almost that time of the year that once again our Lodge will seat our new Worshipful Master for the ensuing year and us always we are excited to see what is in the future and everything that WB Percy Peregrino have in his calendar.

We are also grateful for everything that VWB Todd Mears offered and shared to our Lodge. During this past year, we were able to step up our Compasses with our Masonic duties such as our volunteer event with the preparation of meal in the Benedict House to monthly event. This house is a place for many men who are recovering from unfortunate circumstance in life such as drug use, alcoholism, etc. and in need of perfect model of group of Men such as Freemasons and hopefully inspire them to continue to better themselves on their road to recovery.

After many years, we also once again were able to conduct a table lodge wherein we as Brothers were able to have a great fellowship, great meal and raised funds for a great cause. The result of that Table Lodge is \$2000.00 going to Bremerton Backpack Brigade which will be presented on our upcoming installation.

As a Lodge, we will do our very best to continue all the good things that our Worshipful Masters and Past Masters have done for the success and betterment of our Craft.

**** Do Not Forget to Get Your Tickets ****

Bremerton Lodge #117
Leavenworth Weekend Getaway
March 31, 2024 - April 7, 2024

Stay at a 2 Bedroom fully furnished Resort Condo, Sleeps 6. Spend your week strolling the shop lined streets of the town, hiking or Skiing. All of this and more is possible while in Leavenworth. Need not be present to win \$10.00 Drawing December 30, 2023 Bremerton #117 Lodge meeting No.117

No.117

Name _____
Email _____
or Phone _____

For \$10.00 you have a chance to win:

1st Place: Leavenworth Weekend Getaway

2nd Place: Fine Aged Scotch whisky

3rd Place: Vintage Pocket Watch

November 25, 2023

Masonic Calendar:

11/29: Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rites, Bremerton Valley: 30th Degree Conferral. Dinner @ 6:00 pm / Labor @ 7:00 pm.

11/30: Franklin Lodge #5: 2nd Degree Conferral. Dinner at 6 pm / Labor at 7 pm.

**12/01: Bremerton Lodge Installation Set-Up
6 pm @ Bremerton Masonic Temple**

12/02: Bremerton Lodge 121st Annual Installation of Officers. Time: 4:30 pm.

12/04: Silverdale Lodge #311: Stated Meeting. Dinner at 630 pm / Labor at 730 pm.

12/05: Steadfast Lodge #216: Stated Meeting. Dinner at 630 pm / Labor at 730 pm.

**** Bremerton Lodge Planning Meeting **
3RD Degree Practice
6 pm @ Bremerton Masonic Temple**

12/06: Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rites, Bremerton Valley: Stated Meeting. Dinner @ 6:30 pm / Labor at 7:30 p.m.

12/07: Warren G. Harding Lodge #260: Stated Meeting. Dinner @ 6:30 pm / Labor at 7:30 p.m.

Date to Remember:

12/30: Bremerton Lodge #117 Annual New Year's Party. Bremerton Masonic Temple @ 4:30 pm.

Masonic Symbols:

The Square – is the square of virtue and morality. Virtue and Morality are not the same; Morality involves our dealing with others and Virtue deals with our own character and our relationship to the Divine. The square teaches us that our actions must be tested by both.

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Masonic Trivia:

According to WMC Sec. 14.03 Const: How many days notice must be given to members of the Lodge before voting on a By-Law Change?

- a) 3
- b) 5
- c) 7
- d) 10

Answer to previous Newsletter Trivia:

According to WMC Sec. 15.03 B.L., every Officer of the Lodge must be a member of that Lodge except the:

- 1. Chaplain, Musician, Tyler

Word of Wisdom:

The Volume of Sacred Law is the rule and guide of our Faith, the Square to regulate our action and the compasses to keep our passion within due bounds towards all mankind, more especially with our Brother Masons.

EAM Degree

Faith in God, right conduct and true understanding of the kinship of humanity may be said to be the three attributes of a good and virtuous person. All three of them encompassed by the teaching of Freemasonry and from this fact we are able to understand that freemasonry offers a complete system of living to those who follow its precepts.

The symbolism inherent in the Craft, in its three “great lights”, are all that we need to made progress on the path to perfection that we humbly tread. But the fact that the teachings of freemasonry are “veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols” means that we must be prepared to investigate this symbolism in its entirety, not just be content with a shallow and surface understanding. Anything worthwhile needs working at and this is certainly true of Freemasonry. The whole Masonic ritual is steeped in meaning and any one piece of symbolism or teaching has many levels. Nothing is random or accidental. Remember this as you try to make “...a daily advancement in Knowledge and Virtue.”



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



\$20.00

Keep Guarding the West Gate, my Brothers.
Fraternally,
Bro. Norman C. Jimenez
Junior Warden