

# BREMERTON LODGE #117

FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS OF WASHINGTON  
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*News from the South:*

*August 19, 2023*

## *The length of my Cable Tow...*

In Entered Apprentices degree, we were taught that "Freemasonry is a system of morality, veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols."

While for other, the Cabletow is a token of submission or control; for us Masons' our cabletow is not something to restrain or hold us back but rather that strong tie which induce us to reach out and help our brethren when they are in need or in distress. It is like the tow line at sea which enables one ship to pull another back into the harbor for safe haven. A lifeline cannot be measured by feet or miles, but by goodwill, willingness and ability to reach out to the brother who needs our assistance.

Recently Brother Daryl Escano hailed a call for monetary assistance for Benedict House Charity Work and many brothers have opened up and provided to such request. Thank you so much for the generosity of every Brothers who answered the call.

Now my Brothers, I humbly ask to extend our Cable Tow a little more; whether it is a call for degree practice, or to be part of the degree work, or even to support the candidate by being in the sideline. Let us give our very best. Let us not forget when we are on that altar and the moment when that hoodwink were removed, the number of those Brothers in the sideline brought us joy and acceptance. Now it is our duty to do the same.

MW Santy Lascano was our guest speaker during our August Stated Meeting. His message was so inspiring and well taken. It is so fitting to such request, as Masons, how can we take care of our Brothers and our Beloved Craft? Remember those furniture's of the Lodge; The Holy Bible, Square and Compasses and its applications.



Lastly, as we now know, The Historic Town of Lahaina in Maui, HI have experienced a very tragic and catastrophic event due to Wildfire; more than 80 percent of the town were destroyed; more than 2700 structures were burnt to ashes with estimated value of \$5.6B. More 100 people dead and about 1300 are still missing. According to MWB Marty Alexander, PGM (2009) and Grand Secretary of GL of HI via e-mail as of Thursday, August 17, Three (3) of our brothers in Maui suffered a total lost. They know no one at this point of lost of lives although few Brothers are still unaccounted for and hopeful that once landlines and cell phone services are restored that they will hear from them. Many thanks to our Grand Lodge and Washington Masonic Services for the donation of \$1000.00 to relief effort. For any Brothers who would like to provide support; donations can be sent to Masonic Charities of Hawaii via <https://tinyurl.com/MCH-Maui-Relief>.

Just like our Lodges here in Washington State, the Lodges in Hawaii are near and dear to my heart. It was there, where my Masonic Journey starts. Thank you very much for all the prayers to those who are in need and to all who support for our cause, whether it is for Labor or for our Charity work. A Small gift is a Big leap for a Brother in need. Those Tenets of Freemasonry is what makes us unique and what separate us to those who are not in our Fraternity (yet).

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## *August Masonic Birthday:*

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

**Bro. Marnell Bohol Maglasang:** Celebrating his First Year of Service in our Beloved Fraternity. Keep the Light Up, my Brother.

## *Masonic Calendar:*

08/24: Hood Canal Lodge #288 Stated Meeting.  
Dinner @ 630 pm / Labor @ 730 pm

08/25: Bremerton Lodge #117: 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Conferral.  
Dinner @ 6 pm / Labor @ 7pm

08/26: Quilcene-Jefferson Lodge #107: Outdoor Entered Apprentice Degree. Lunch @ 12 noon / Labor @ 1 pm.

08/30: Mt. Moriah Lodge #11: Stated Meeting.

09/01: Port Orchard / John Paul Jones Lodge #98 Stated Meeting.

09/01: Bremerton Lodge #117 Planning meeting and 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Practice. Potluck Dinner @ 630 followed but Planning Meeting and Degree practice afterward.

***\*\* Memorial Service for VWB Orton Krueger is set on September 10, 2023 at 2 pm in Port Orchard / John Paul Jones Lodge #98***

## *Masonic Symbols:*

The Pot of Incense – The pot is an emblem of Pure Heart. The incense which burns in the pot is a symbol of Prayer, of Worship.

Keep Guarding the West Gate, my Brothers.

Fraternally,

**Bro. Norman C. Jimenez**

Junior Warden

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Grand Master Steve Martin  
Proudly Presents his  
**'SUIT UP FOR CHARITY'**  
Gala Fundraising Event  
Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
Dinner: 6:00pm / Dress Code: Formal  
(Doors open at 4:00pm)  
Seattle Police Athletic Association Pavilion  
11030 E Marginal Way S, Tukwila  
Ticket price \$100  
Tickets: <https://charityauction.bid/SuitUpForCharity>

This will be an evening to remember!  
Fantastic Filet Mignon Dinner, Live Auction,  
Silent Auction, Heads-or-Tails event, Wine Pull,  
Dessert Auction, and much, much more.

All proceeds to benefit Washington Masonic Services  
Youth Scholarships Fund

