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"Real integrity is doing the right thing, knowing that nobody's going to know whether you did it or not." Reader's Digest February 2002

Thanks, Ed.



Coffee Stops that I know about. Are there others?

- 1. 04/02-04/2011 Mt Moriah – Scatter Creek
- 2. 11/05-07/2011 Welcome Ch – Maytown
- 3. 12/03-05/2011 Welcome Ch – Maytown
- 4. 1/07-09/2012 UCMTC – Maytown
- 5. 5/05-07/2012 Mt. Moriah – Maytown
- 6. 6/02-04/2012 Union City – Maytown
- 7. 8/04-06/2012 Union City - Maytown

This list is always subject to update/correction/addition. If you find any errors, please advise the Editor.

"There's a mighty big difference between good sound reasons and reasons that sound good"

Unknown



If I miss someone who should be listed in Memoriam, please advise me by e-mail, or letter to your secretary, and include the obituary. Secretaries, please advise the editor.

IN MEMORIAM

Joanne Clark, PGM, OES, December 25, 2010

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2011 Meetings are:

- Jan 19, Feb 16, March 16, April 13, May 11,
- Jun 15, July 13, Aug 10,
- Sep 7-Past Masters & Widows Night, October 12-
Step-up night, Nov 9-Election of Officers,
Dec 7, Dec 10-Installation of Officers



GREETINGS FROM THE EAST:

Brethren,

The month of December has been somewhat a blur. We first had the Installation. I want to thank all of the Installation Team for making it very memorable. Four days later, on the 15th of Dec., our Grandmaster G. Santy Lascano arrived at Lodge, along with MW Matt Martin and Past Grandmaster of Oregon, MW Art Bush. Our Grandmaster, G. Santy Lascano, presented Roger, Dennis, Rick, and Jerry, the Lingle boys, the Lewis Jewel. I am looking forward to an exciting year and looking forward to traveling more to other Lodges.

Our next stated meeting is Jan.19th, 2011. It will be the Official Visit from our District Deputy David Hockaday. Have a safe and Happy Holiday.

Sincerely,

Worshipful Master Brian Bigelow
Mt. Moriah Lodge #11



Union City Lodge #27, F&AM

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SHELTON WA 98584
Chartered June 6, 1878

Greetings from the West:

We have had a busy year and a year with a lot of sorrow due to deaths. On the brighter side, we are going into the New Year with another great officer line to carry over all the good work that the previous lines have produced. We have Bros. preparing for the Degrees. We will have news very shortly of a Second Degree.

This year, 2010, the Grand Lodge created a regional concept for training. Region 6 is made up of Districts 3, 11, and 12, and will hold its first meeting on March 19, 2011. It will be held at the Bremerton Masonic Center. Your webpage, mtmoriah-11.org (and unioncity-27.org), has the info, which will be updated as details come in.

The annual Grand Lodge Communication will be held on June 8, 9 and 10, 2011, at The Great Wolf Lodge. If you wish to stay at the hotel you can book rooms through the reservation desk, (800) 640-9653, or hotel direct at (360) 273-7718, or email wainfo@greatwolf.com. You may send a fax to (360) 273-8406. It is important to use the Grand Lodge booking number, 1106maso, to get the discounted rate.

WB Allan Crick has been working hard to raise money for an A.E.D. machine (defibrillator) which is a life saver if needed. He is still short the money he needs for this important tool which will be installed at the Lodge.

For those that use the computer, please use your Lodge web page. All meeting dates are listed as well as any special events that are planned by the Lodge. If you wish to go to Lodge but do not have transportation, send me an email at jtclark@wavecable.com or phone (360) 275-6288 and I will try to find a Bro. who can provide you with a ride.

At the recent Installation of officers, W.B. Crick became our first-appointed Chairman of Public Relations. He was presented a Lodge name tag, honoring this great Mason for all his goodwill, the effort he extends to make phone calls to all members to remind them of the Lodge dates, and his dedication to Masonic fund-raisers.

Remember Bros., we meet upon the level.

Bro. James Clark
Senior Warden
Mt. Moriah Lodge #11



SPECIAL NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

There are five (5) addresses in this newsletter. The first is the address the editor uses for bulk mail. The other 4 are for the Masonic Bodies meeting at the Union City Masonic Hall. To communicate with them, please use their address. *Ed.*



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Meetings are on the 2nd Thursday in the month except 1st Thursday in June.

GREETINGS FROM THE EAST:

Brethren,

The Solstice has past and winter is here, my Yule log has had a blaze for weeks. I hope this New Year finds you and yours warm and well. February's Stated has a speaker scheduled to talk to us about the Boy Scouts on the occasion of their one hundred and fifty-first birthday. The Scouts and Masonry certainly have a lot in common, and we will hear about some of those commonalties.

January will be the first time in recent memory that the "Rusty Mason Degree" will be given in our Lodge, or even our District. The "Rusty Mason Degree" is presented as a refresher course for Master Masons who may have become a little "Rusty" about the passes and modes of recognition. As the Secretary and I were working the Degree around my dining room table, David exclaimed: "This is the **"Cliff's Notes of all the Degrees of Freemasonry"**". He was right, and this is going to be great. When first I announced that this Degree was in the works, I immediately got phone calls from brothers who were thankful and looking forward to this refresher course. Brothers, please bring your current dues card. We want to include you in our Rites and Privileges, not exclude you. So please come to Lodge to reacquaint yourself with your brothers and our work. We will need our non-rusty masons to help as assistant Deacons to complete the work. When? January 13th, (6:00 practice walk through) 6:30 dinner, 7:30 Stated Communication. Meet you on the Level. "See how good it is for Brethren to dwell together in unity".

Fraternally,
Fred W. Corbett W.M.
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UNION CITY LODGE CALENDAR

- Jan. 12, Fill the Lodge Night #27 Visits Franklin #5
- Thu. 13, STATED - RUSTY MASON DEG.
- Thu. 20, Knowledge College N.C.E.P.-
Approaching the Portals
- Feb. 4, Fill the Lodge Night #27 Visits
Port Orchard #98
- Thu. 10, STATED Boy Scout Night
- Thu. 17, Knowledge College -N.C.E.P. EA Deg.
- Mar. Tue. 8, #27 Visits Union Lodge-McMinville,OR
- Thu. 10, STATED Saint Patrick's Dinner
- Mon. 14, Fill the Lodge Night #27 Visits Renton #29
- Thu. 17, Knowledge College -N.C.E.P.-FC Deg.
- April 14, STATED Past Master's & Widow's Night



From The Temple Board:

Election of Trustees was held on the 9th of December. Trustees are: Fred Corbett, WM; Russel Cooper, SW; Brian Wheeler, JW; Skip Hash, Brian Bigelow, Dale Elmlund, Mike Gettle, Tim Timblin, James Clark

The top 3 elected officers of Union City Lodge are automatically members of the board.

The Temple Board requests that all doors be closed and locked when locking up and departing, including the transition door. Please note the exterior door locks are a little stiff.

All deadbolts need to be unlocked whenever the building is occupied. As a reminder, our meetings are usually the **last Monday of every month at 7 PM**. Hope to see you at one.

Respectfully,
Bro. Skip Hash,
Lodge Phone 360-877-5964



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Established July 20, 1957

*Meetings are the 3rd Monday of each month except 2nd Monday in December, Dark January & February.
Potluck Dinner at 6 PM.*

From The Throne:

Can you believe it is almost 2011? I don't know about you, but I can hardly wait for Spring and sunshine! Canal Court will be dark January and February. We will have our midbreak no host get together on Sunday, January 23, at 4PM at the Royal Shanghi Restaurant, Karen Lawson is Chairman, 360 867 1885.

At our last meeting, Canal North presented another check. They are such eager beavers and work so hard to support this most worthy project. We thank them most sincerely for all of their work at bingo in Port Angeles. Remember to save good used paperbacks for them to resell. We also celebrated the 100th birthday of HL Vera Pollow. We had a nice evening and showered her with cards and remembrances of our time with her. She is quite a lady. All of us would want to live to be a hundred if we could be as sharp of mind and nimble of body as Vera!

January is the time to fill out our individual Philanthropy reports listing the hours and monetary amounts we have personally given to our charities. It is very important members fill one out to help us keep our tax status. If you don't have a copy of the form, HL Virginia Anicker, our Secretary, has them. Please mail them to her or bring them to the dinner on the 23rd.

Grand Court will be held in Kelso, March 17-19, 2011. It would be nice to see some of our members attend some of the sessions since it is so close to home and on this side of The Mountain. This will be our Centennial Session, so many events are planned to celebrate our 100 years of Amaranth in Washington. If you have any materials from a former member you think would add to the history, we would love to hear from you.

We voted to have our elections at our next meeting March 21st. It will be the last meeting of this term. There are many jobs HL Joanne and SK Skip Hash have to fill before Installation on April 16th at 1:00PM. If you would like to be an officer, or serve on a committee, I am sure they would be delighted to hear from you.

If there are any students that are relatives of our Masonic Family out there who need financial help with college, now is the time to apply for Amaranth Scholarships. The forms are on the Amaranth website, or you can contact our Secretary but you have to hurry, the deadline back to the committee is in January.

This is a reminder to everyone that dues of \$15.00 are due. They may be sent to the Secretary; Virginia Anicker, 1019 W Cota St. Shelton, 98584. Those with "life memberships" will be receiving their dues card shortly.

H.L. Judy Mosier, Royal Matron
S.K. James Clark, Royal Patron



Welcome Chapter #40, O. E. S.
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Established June 15, 1895.

Meetings for the 2010-2011 year:
Jan 22, Feb. 19, Mar. 19 potluck @ 6PM, Mar. 26
Installation 2PM.



From the Editor,

To keep the editor happy, please get your articles in before the deadline. **NOTE THIS CHANGE:** The **DEADLINE** is the **THIRD MONDAY** of each even numbered month. If I don't send them back to you via email, I haven't received them, so send them again.

This job is always open to anyone who wishes to take it over. The Editor serves at the pleasure of the Master of Mount Moriah Lodge No. 11, F. & A. M. That means, whenever he would like to make a change, it is his pleasure to make the change. Each Master must appoint the Editor.

If you would like to see something in this newsletter of a general Masonic nature, let the Editor know. If you want something particular to one of the organizations subscribing, contact that presiding officer.

Please note that the Editor has listed 2 email addresses to use for the newsletter. Please use both:

oyster7@hctc.com, & skokmason@yahoo.com,
Subject line: Trestleboard. Send to both e-mail
addresses. Everything sent to Skokmason@yahoo.com
will probably end up in the newsletter. *Ed.*



Washington Masonic Code, Sec. 19.14 B.L.

Secrecy of Ballot and Penalty for Violation. Except to announce in open Lodge that he has cast a negative ballot by mistake or misapprehension, any Brother who shall make known in any way the type of ballot cast by himself or by another, or shall make any comment whatsoever regarding the type or number of ballots cast on a petition for the Degrees or for Affiliation, shall be deemed guilty of a Masonic offense and on conviction shall be suspended or expelled.



Good works are seeds that, after sowing, return to us a continual harvest; and the memory of noble actions is more enduring than monuments of marble.

Albert Pike 33°



Why Is A Master Addressed As “Worshipful”?

Taken from the February 1995 issue of the Scottish Rite Journal.

Few Masonic matters are less understood by the non-Masonic public than this. The word “worchyppe” or “worchyp” is Old English, and means “greatly respected.” In the Wycliffe Bible, “Honor thy father and thy mother” appears as, “Worchyp thy fadir and thy modir.” English and Canadian Mayors are still addressed as “Your Worship.” In some of the Old Constitutions of Masonry is the phrase, “Every Mason shall prefer his elder and put him to worship.” “Worshipful,” therefore, in modern Masonry, continues an ancient word meaning “Greatly respected.”

Ed.



Travels of the Oyster Shell 2010.

I have had both sides of an oyster shell under my seat in the one ton since the end of August 2008. Therefore, the Oyster Shell has traveled. Hence the title “Travels of the Oyster Shell”. The 2010 indicates that this is a later journey story.

This is the story of our trip to Nevada City, California, for an annual family reunion at Thanksgiving. We planed to leave Hoodspport by noon on the Sunday before Thanksgiving, right after church. However, I am ahead of my story.

On the 17th, 8 days before Thanksgiving, we went to North Seattle, so Joanne could see her retinal specialist. Both dogs, Rubie and Coco, acted normal as we left. When we got home, Rubie was at the door announcing our arrival while Coco was listless on the couch. The Vet was called Thursday, the 18th and Coco visited her that afternoon. She had an infection

in the anal glands for which we received medications. Usually, she responds after 12 – 18 hours of first dose of Meds. However, by Friday afternoon, I had decided not to hook up the trailer until after church because Coco had not improved.

Early Saturday AM, Coco still had not improved. The Vet was visited again late Saturday morning, got more Meds and an appointment for Monday Morning.

Sunday afternoon, I got everything ready to drop the hitch on the ball and depart, safety chains hooked up, anti sway bar in position, and the weight distributing bars in place ready to tension. (It wasn't going to be that easy.)

Monday AM, we have 5½” of snow on the ground. The Olds doesn't do well in the snow. The Vet is 15 miles away. It is ½ mile to the state highway. I disconnect the safety chains, dropped the weight distributing bars, and moved the anti-sway bar and I am ready to go. Four-wheel-drive is wonderful if you need it to get out. Did I mention that our driveway is over 500 feet long? We, and everyone else, are driving slowly as we go to the Vet's.

While at the Vet, blood was drawn to see what else might be happening. We would be notified about 1000 Tuesday Morning. OK! Monday night, we lost power shortly after midnight until just before noon Tuesday. Tuesday morning I am out early. Now we have 9½ inches of snow. It had been so cold that metal froze to metal. *Everything* is frozen. After 2 hours, I finally get all hooked up, move the truck and trailer forward about 20 feet for ease of loading passengers, and got in the house to hear the phone ring.

The Vet has called about the blood draw on Saturday. Coco has Lupus. “Unhook the trailer, we are going in to see the Vet to pick-up medications.” Did I mention that the trailer electric jack had decided to freeze and not work? One hour later, I have the trailer back in position, unhooked, and am on my way to the Vet for more meds. The phone call to Nevada City was made. “We are not going south because of weather and a very sick dog.” The Siskiyou Pass was accumulating snow at a significant rate. This was our trip to California this year.

Skip Hash, *Ed.*

Epilog: December 12, 2010

Coco is doing much better. She does not have Lupus. It seems that Joanne had dropped a bottle of her Benicar, and Coco found one that Joanne didn't find. She was doing ok until she developed the infection and then her system went south. Coco is still not quite herself, but almost. Coco's full name is Coco Chanel Hash, and she has papers to prove it.

