

Langley Lodge #218

F&AM of Washington June 2015 Trestleboard

W.: David Surface, Master

W.: Carl Fjelsted, Secretary / Treasurer

From the East

Brothers, it is now summer in the great northwest and that means overheated dining halls and lodge rooms. For our part Langley 218 will be implementing its "Summer Uniform" dress code. The summer uniform may consist of shorts (not cutoffs), or anything but jeans and a collared shirt. Foot wear may be as informal as flip flops. I hope that this "summer uniform" will help keep all of us comfortable as we approach the dog days of summer and the above average temperatures expected this year.

We visited Everett #137 on the 8th of June for our annual closing of their lodge. It was a good time of fellowship and meeting new brothers. I would like to thank all of the brothers who made the journey for such a good representation from our lodge. Everyone performed well closing lodge and should be proud of the quality of ritual that we do.

While levity in lodge is a good thing and good natured ribbing and cajoling helps build camaraderie it has its time and place. Opening and closing of the lodge is not one of them. We must respect and adhere to the ritual. This does not include joking about or other behavior which is disruptive or detracts from the work. If

a brother misses a line, as we (I) are all capable of doing, give him encouragement after lodge. We all strive to perform the ritual to the best of our abilities. So provide a brother who is having a bad night encouragement and support. We as masons need to take seriously the ritual and pay attention to its meanings. We cannot do this if we are engaged in conversation or joking with one another.

While I'm on the subject of lodge decorum, in today's technologically dependent world we all have smart phones or other such devices. We keep our calendars on them as well many other sorts of information on which we rely. However there needs to be some restraint applied when it comes to using our devices in lodge. It seems inappropriate, disrespectful and even rude to be using a device during the opening and closing of lodge or during any kind of presentation or address to the lodge. Let's try to limit our use of our electronic devices to making calendar entries and other similar applications.

Let's work together to make our lodge and our district the best that they can be!

David Surface Worshipful Master Langley Lodge #218

2014-2015 Scholarship Report

It was a hugely successful year for our scholarship program this year. We had a record 10 applicants, and 5 deserving students received plaques for their educational grants when they continue their education in another year.

Iona Rohan and Chandler Hagglund were each awarded a \$1000 educational grant, and Joseph Ballestrasse and Anna Lynch were awarded

From the Secretary:

Brethren, our visit to close Lodge for Everett #137 was fun and well attended. Everett Lodge will come to Langley to close the meeting for us at our next stated meeting June 23rd. Let's have another great turnout from our members. As in the past I will be barbequing tri tip steaks and Linda and Tony will be serving their great strawberry shortcake for dessert.

Meeting Address: 18341 State Route 525 Freeland, WA 98249 Online Addresses http://langley218.com tb@langley218.com

Mailing Address: PO Box 743 Clinton, WA 98236 a \$500 education grant, and Hannah Nielson was awarded a \$250 educational grant, in recognition of their outstanding scholastic achievement and their commitment to community service.

I was so moved by their commitments to their community and their dedication to their education, that I proposed, and the lodge agreed to provide \$50 Amazon.com gift cards to the other applicants, in appreciation for their hard work.

Thomas Gill Senior Warden Scholarship Chairman As you know the Grand Lodge Annual Communication is this weekend in Kennewick. This year's resolutions and list of candidates for Junior Grand Warden can be found on the Grand Lodge web site - under the News/Events tab select 2015 Annual Communication. Please review them if you can and make your opinions known to the members of our lodge who will be attending and voting. If you cannot access the web site I can send them to you.

Our numbers are growing and our future looks bright. See you at our next stated meeting for the annual visit from Everett Lodge #137. It will be Hawaiian Shirt Night. We'll be voting for the Ugliest Hawaiian Shirt. Let's be ready!

Carl Fjelsted Secretary/Treasurer 360-331-3960



In the first photo: Iona Rohan is presented with her plaque by Principal John Patton. Photo by: John Patton

In the second photo: Left to Right - David Surface Worshipful Master of Largely Lodge #218, Joseph Bellestrasse, Chandler Hagglund, Anna Lynch, and Hannah Nielson. In the back: Thomas Gill Chairman of the South Whidbey Masonic Scholarship Trust Fund. Photo by: Carl Fjelsted.



2015 Roster of Officers

Worshipful Master	W∴ David Surface	master@langley218.com
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Living Past Masters of Langley Lodge #218

VW Charrison Lochaby 1978, 1995	WB Tony Gill 1997, 2007, 2010, 2011
WB Art Phelps 1979, 1987	WB Mike Barham 2002, 2006
WB Greg Smith 1984	WB John Watts 2004
WB Myron Gabelein 1990	WB Jim Fulton 2008, 2009
WB Jim Thorsen 1992	WB Carl Fjelsted 2012
WB Gary Olkonen 1994	WB Thomas E. Gill 2013, 2014

Members who are Past Masters of other Lodges

WB Mike Barham - Chateau Thierry Lodge
VWB Marion Windell - Whidby Island Lodge
WB Albert Gustafson - Lafayette Lodge
WB Denis Lane - Robert Burns Lodge
VWB Mark Wiggins - Garfield Lodge

Upcoming Events with Langley Lodge

- June 12-13 Grand Lodge of Washington Annual Communication at Kennewick, WA
- June 23 Stated Meeting, Dinner at 6:30 Hawai'ian Shirt Night Everett 137 Visit and closing. Tri-Tip Steak dinner, with Strawberry Shortcake for Desert
- June 24 Island County Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition Island County Commissioners' Chambers 1pm

If you have any comments or feedback about this Trestleboard, or anything to contribute, please send it to tb@langley218.com

Remember: You can check the District Calendar, and the newest Trestleboard, along with all up-to-date information about Langley Lodge at our Website: www.langley218.com