

# District 7 News

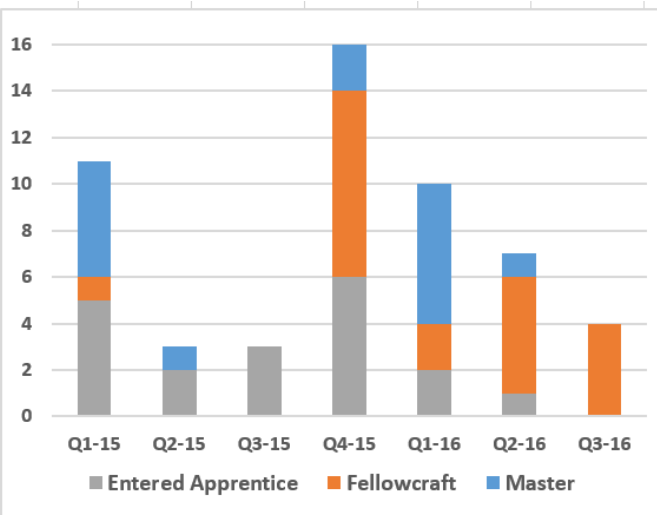


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## History

My training in accounting has made me an expert at recording and presenting history, which I find to be a great indicator of the future. Not the only indicator and certainly not the best, but it's pretty good. The challenge with history is that too often it's used only as a rear view mirror, which is useful only to a point. So it's important to remember that one can form great insights when history is used as a windshield.



*District 7 Degree Conferrals, by Calendar Quarter*

Pictures can say 1,000 words but this one says only four: District 7 needs petitions. The picture is not perfect. I don't have any data about prospective members and maybe there's a bus load of new members just around the corner. I also don't have any data about the members we have lost or who have lost interest. (The latter is probably inconsistent with the voice of this newsletter; I don't want to publish stories like "Brother John Doe has stopped attending because too often he finds our meetings pointless.")

I can collect, interpret, and publish our history. You can shape it. I hope this information is helpful.

*WB John Gebhart*

## District 7 Month-at-a-Glance

October 5	Wednesday	Unity #198	Stated
October 6	Thursday	Mercer Island #297	Stated
October 8	Saturday	Falls City #66	Stated
October 10	Monday	Lakeside #258	Stated
October 13	Thursday	Kirkland #150	Stated
October 17	Monday	West Gate #128	Stated
October 20	Thursday	Myrtle #108	Stated
October 24	Monday	Renaissance #312	Stated

## Staff Sgt Quigley Home from Tour of Duty

VWB Dean Quigley and fellow comrades of the Greatest Generation returned to SeaTac airport this week after visiting the WWII Memorial in Washington DC, courtesy of Honor Flights.



*VWB Quigley returns a salute*

Honor Flights, supported in part by your purchases of this year's MWGM pin, honors the service of WWII veterans by transporting them to our nation's capital.

## Unity #198

On Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> the stated communication for Unity Lodge #198 will feature the award of 50 Year pins to two Brothers, Randy Rauschmier and Ronald Woods. All District 7 Brothers are encouraged to

attend to help Unity and the deserving recipients celebrate this major milestone.

### **Mercer Island #297**

At its net stated communication, Thursday October 6<sup>th</sup>, the Brothers of Mercer Island #297 will host Chief Steve Heitman of the Mercer Island Fire Department. Chief Heitman will lead an after-dinner discussion to provide an overview of the MIFD, its accomplishments, and its challenges.

Happy hour starts at 6:00 p.m., catered dinner at 6:30 p.m. (\$20 p/p suggested donation), and Lodge opens at 7:30 p.m. **RSVP for dinner to Bro. Dan Taylor at [dantaylor@msn.com](mailto:dantaylor@msn.com).**

### **Myrtle Lodge #108**

Plans are underway for a Master Mason conferral on Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. A formal request has been submitted to the Widows Sons to perform the conferral. For more information contact WM Mark Staveley at [mark.staveley@gmail.com](mailto:mark.staveley@gmail.com).

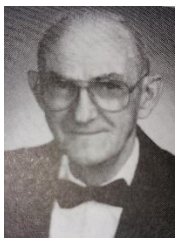
### **Lakeside #258**

The next meeting of Lakeside Lodge #258, Monday October 10<sup>th</sup>, will be held at its new home, 8561 Willows Rd NE, Redmond, WA 98052. MWGM Jim Mendoza is expected to attend and all Masonic groups are invited.

### **Kirkland #150**

**In Memory of WBs Fall and Scott**  
*By WM Bill Reynar*

Kirkland Lodge #150 Brothers, WB Virgil Scott and WB Don Falls have been called from Labor, and passed to The Celestial Lodge above.



where he lived until his death.

Don was very active in the Masonic Family. He joined Kirkland Masonic Lodge in 1986 where he was

Worshipful Master in 1992 and a life member. He was also a Past High Priest of Royal Arch Masons, and a Past Illustrious Master of Royal and Select Masons. Don was also a life member of Kirkland Chapter Order of the Eastern Star.

Don, found much joy in working with the various Masonic youth groups. He was an advisor for Ollis W. Patty Chapter DeMolay, Past Associate Bethel Guardian of Job's Daughters Bethel #57, and an advisory board member and Rainbow Dad for Kirkland Assembly #72 International Order of the Rainbow for Girls for many years.



WB Virgil Scott was called to the Celestial Lodge on Friday, September 23, 2016 in Redmond WA. He was born in 1934.

WB Virgil was Initiated on Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1980, Passed on Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1980 and Raised to a Master Mason on Jan. 29<sup>th</sup> 1981. In 1988 Virgil became Worshipful Master of Kirkland Lodge #150 and again in 2000. He was also a life member of Kirkland Lodge. He was a member of the Royal and Select Masons Seattle Council #6 and the Knights Templar Rainer Commandery #28.

Virgil owned and operated a furniture repair business in Kirkland, which occupied the ground floor of the Kirkland Masonic building for many years.

WB Virgil and WB Don will be greatly missed by all of their Brothers.

### **Bellevue Rainbow Fundraiser**

The Bellevue Rainbow Girls are taking over Applebees in Factoria (520 Factoria Blvd SE), to serve you breakfast! This flapjack fundraiser is from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>. You will be served pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, and bacon with your choice of coffee, milk or juice. Tickets are \$10. For tickets please see a member of Bellevue Assembly or email [Jean@Dankberg.com](mailto:Jean@Dankberg.com).

## Oriental Chapter #19 - RAM

On Saturday October 8<sup>th</sup> Oriental Chapter #19 will host a RAM degree day at which all four Chapter degrees will be conferred. Lunch will be served and additional refreshments will be enjoyed following the Royal Arch Degree. For further information contact RIC John Smiley at [jsmiley195@gmail.com](mailto:jsmiley195@gmail.com).

## Letters to the Editor

### *Should I Press 1 or Press 2 – 9/24/2016*

WB John,

I'm thinking about this and I think there is good Masonic value in your editorial. It takes a person of character to actually call these types of places to validate what some suspect. You did a service to the community by going beyond what is most people's comfort zone, and the quest for knowledge and sharing it with others is very much in keeping with what Masons are all about.

Sometimes I think the value of discussion is forgotten in Masonic meetings, that we spend so much time on business and programs we lose sight of a good reason why Masons got together in the first place, and that is to discuss topics relevant to the membership.

See Ben Franklin's creation of a Junto:

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Junto\\_\(club\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Junto_(club))

All my best,

~ Paul Hoefffer

## We-Didn't-Think-This-Through Advertising Section



*Maybe they should run radio ads for the deaf instead?*

## Square Meals

**Myrtle #108** welcomes Masons and friends to breakfast at the Gas Lamp in Issaquah every Saturday at 8:30 a.m.

**Goose and Gridiron, Nest 0** meets Mondays for lunch at the Longhorn restaurant in Auburn.

**Falls City #66 Sticks & Stones** meets on the last Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Lit Cigar Bar in Snoqualmie Casino. Consumption of solid food at this "meal" is not customary.

**Fern Hill #80 Past Masters** welcome Masons and friends in South King and Pierce counties to breakfast at Angleas Restaurant just south of E. 72nd St on S. Portland Avenue (behind Safeway), Saturdays, 8:00 a.m.

## District 7 Stated Communications

<b>Lodge</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Meeting Times</b>	<b>Contacts</b>
<b>Falls City #66</b>	4304 337th Place Southeast Fall City, WA 98024 <a href="http://www.fallcitylodge.com">www.fallcitylodge.com</a>	2nd Saturday, 1st Saturday June; dark July & August. 7:30 p.m. except January, 7:00 p.m.	WM: Frank Schumacher IV <a href="mailto:fjsiv.com@gmail.com">fjsiv.com@gmail.com</a> Sec: Nick Michaud (contact WM Schumacher)
<b>Myrtle #108</b>	<i>Street Address:</i> 57 West Sunset Way Issaquah, WA 98027 <i>Mailing Address:</i> PO Box 766 Issaquah, WA 98027 <a href="http://www.myrtlelodge108.org">www.myrtlelodge108.org</a>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday, 7:30 p.m. (The lights stay on in the Summer months)	WM: Mark Staveley <a href="mailto:mark.staveley@gmail.com">mark.staveley@gmail.com</a> Sec: Jeff Swanson <a href="mailto:jeffswanson@platosnw.com">jeffswanson@platosnw.com</a>
<b>West Gate #128</b>	11440 Avondale Road Northeast Redmond, WA 98052 <a href="http://westgatelodge.org">westgatelodge.org</a>	3rd Monday except July, August. 7:30 p.m.	WM: Henry Fletcher <a href="mailto:hfletchmo@aol.com">hfletchmo@aol.com</a> Sec: Les Snavelly - <a href="mailto:lsna761057@aol.com">lsna761057@aol.com</a>
<b>Kirkland #150</b>	702 1/2 Market St. Kirkland, WA 98033 <a href="http://www.kirklandmasons.org">www.kirklandmasons.org</a>	2nd Thursday (3rd Thursday June) except July, August. 7:30 p.m. Dinner at 6:30 p.m.	WM: Bill Reynar <a href="mailto:wireynar@gmail.com">wireynar@gmail.com</a> Sec: Topher White <a href="mailto:topher.white@comcast.net">topher.white@comcast.net</a>
<b>Unity #198</b>	119 North Bend Way North Bend, WA 98045 <a href="http://www.unity198.org">www.unity198.org</a>	1st Wednesday. If Holiday, 2nd Wednesday except July, August. 7:30 p.m.	WM: Matt Roalkvam <a href="mailto:webmattr@hotmail.com">webmattr@hotmail.com</a> Sec : Jonathan Seaton <a href="mailto:jonathanseaton@gmail.com">jonathanseaton@gmail.com</a>
<b>Lakeside #258</b>	8561 Willows Road NE Redmond, WA 98052 <a href="http://www.lakeside258.org">www.lakeside258.org</a>	2nd Monday, except July & August. 7:30 p.m.	WM: Todd Pike <a href="mailto:toddpike@mac.com">toddpike@mac.com</a> Sec: Dean Markley <a href="mailto:wdeanm@gmail.com">wdeanm@gmail.com</a>
<b>Mercer Island #297</b>	1836 72nd Avenue Southeast Mercer Island, WA 98040 <a href="http://www.mercerislandmasons.org">www.mercerislandmasons.org</a>	1st Thursday; 2nd Thursday if Holiday or Grand Lodge, dark July & August  Open bar 6:00 p.m., catered dinner at 6:30 p.m., meeting at 7:30 p.m. RSVP for dinner, \$20.	WM: Roger Barnstead <a href="mailto:Roger.A.Barnstead@gmail.com">Roger.A.Barnstead@gmail.com</a> Sec: Scott Anderson <a href="mailto:papabear120@hotmail.com">papabear120@hotmail.com</a>
<b>Renaissance #312</b>	11440 Avondale Road Northeast Redmond, WA 98052 <a href="http://www.renaissance312.org">www.renaissance312.org</a>	Last Monday of February, April, June, August, October and December; if holiday, next available Monday that is not a holiday.  Meeting at 6:30 p.m., Table Lodge at 7:30 p.m. RSVP for dinner, \$25.	WM: Bill Werner <a href="mailto:bigwer1@hotmail.com">bigwer1@hotmail.com</a> Sec: Craig Wood <a href="mailto:cwood1234@hotmail.com">cwood1234@hotmail.com</a>

## District 7 Officers

District Deputy of the Grand Master: VWB Gene Ulrich [nsnwinc@gmail.com](mailto:nsnwinc@gmail.com)

	<b>Falls City #66</b>	<b>Myrtle #108</b>	<b>West Gate #128</b>	<b>Kirkland #150</b>	<b>Unity #198</b>	<b>Lakeside #258</b>	<b>Mercer Island #297</b>	<b>Renaissance #312*</b>
<b>WM</b>	WB Frank Schumacher	WB Mark Staveley	VWB Henry Fletcher	WB Bill Reynar	WB Matt Roalkvam	WB Todd Pike	VWB Roger Barnstead	VWB Bill Werner
<b>SW</b>	Br David Hisel	Br Chad Reece	Br Earl Lara	Br Demetrius Alusi	WB Mark Goodwin	Br Mike Campbell	Br Dan Taylor	WB Joe Oates, Jr.
<b>JW</b>	Br Robert Coats	WB Geoff Joosten	WB Frank Seldon	Br Brian Clubb	Br Chad Swaim	Br Enzo Sainato	VWB Dean Quigley	Br JN
<b>Sec</b>	WB Nick Michaud	WB Jeff Swanson	WB Les Snavely	WB Topher White	WB Jonathan Seaton	WB Dean Markley	WB Scott Anderson	WB Craig Wood
<b>Treas</b>	VWB Henry Fletcher	WB Jeff Swanson	WB Les Snavely	WB Bob Wilson	WB Jonathan Seaton	VWB Gene Ulrich	WB John Gebhart	WB Craig Wood
<b>SD</b>	Br Joshua Bushman		Br Vance Hill	Br Bryan DeNosky	WB Ernest Jenner	Br Phu Huynh	WB Thomas Acquino	WB Doug Stamper
<b>JD</b>	Br Noah Phillips		Br Kurt Egts	Br MG		Br Kevin French	Br Dane Shaffer	WB Todd Pike
<b>Chp</b>	WB Matt Roalkvam		VWB Mark Williams	WB Dan Chadrow		Br Steve Banin		VWB Gene Ulrich
<b>Mrsh</b>	Br Warren Oltman		WB Phil Nylin	Br Gary Weber		Br Praveen Sattaru (pro tem)		Br Randy Coggan
<b>Mu</b>	Br Carlmer Sorensen		Br Bert Bertram			Br Praveen Sattaru		
<b>SS</b>	Br Alan Olson		Br Arjay Protacio			Br Pat Brennan		
<b>JS</b>	Br Nick Anderson		Br Ken Hill			Br David Ulrich		
<b>T</b>	WB Corey Birch	WB Brian Thomas	WB Donn Castro	WB David Pearson		WB Jim Groves	WB Paul Hoeffler	Br Helmut Fischer

\* WB Topher White is Master of Ceremonies for the Festive Board