



Washington Lodge No 4

Trestle Board

June 2008

Founded in 1857
Meeting on the Level
Acting by the Plumb
Parting on the Square

Harmony from the West

Good day to all that this communication may find. Here we are a couple of weeks into the second quarter of 2008. Plenty of masonry year to date with some work yet to achieve before summer.

Congratulations to our Northern brethren in our sister Capilano Lodge and members for their recent installation of Worshipful Brother Richard Tattersal and his officers. Have a great year!

Our First Annual Night Golf Glow Ball Fundraiser Tournament will be the 20th of June, 2008 hosted by the Green Meadows Country Club just down the street from the lodge. Mark your calendars and start putting together a foursome. The cost is \$100 per person which includes dinner and golf. We are fortunate to have the Green Meadows team working with us and look forward to a fantastic event.

I look forward to seeing you in lodge and wish the very best the spring season may bring to you and family.

"Hope thou a little, fear not at all, love as much as you can" – Old Prophet

On the Level

Senior Warden

Don Houston

RUDYARD KIPLING AND THE CRAFT

Rudyard Kipling, the famous English author, was born in India of English parents. He was educated in England but returned to India in 1880. He was initiated in Hope and Perseverance Lodge No. 782, Lahore, Punjab, India in 1886. A special dispensation was necessary as he was only twenty years and six months at the time. When he took the degrees, there were four Holy Books upon the alter representing the dominant religions in the area. Upon his rising he was immediately elected secretary; and he prepared the minutes of that meeting himself.

Many years later he wrote: "I was secretary for some years of Hope and Perseverance Lodge No. 782, E. C., Lahore, which included Brethren of at least four creeds. I was entered by a member of Brahma Somaj, a Hindu; passed by a Mohammedan; and raised by an Englishman. Our Tyler was an Indian Jew. We met, of course on the level, and the only difference anyone would notice was that at the banquets, some of the Brethren, who were debarred by caste from eating food not ceremonially prepared, sat over empty plates."

A BROTHER'S WIDOW

While in a jewelry shop in Potsdam, Germany, a brother observed a middle-aged woman exhibiting an article of silver having certain Masonic symbols, possibly a Past Master's jewel. She was trying to borrow money on it. She said she had come to this particular shop to avoid the usurers and because the owner of the shop was a Mason. The jeweler told her that he was not in the pawn broking business and couldn't make the loan.

Another person in the shop asked her many questions concerning the jewel, whose it was, how she had possession of it, etc. The man offered to buy the jewel and kept raising the price. When he decided to make her the loan, he discovered he had no money in his pocket.

Our brother then disclosed to all present that he was, in fact, Frederick II, King of Prussia (also known as Frederick IV of Brandenburg as well as Frederick the Great).

Frederick shook his staff at the jeweler and told him that he was not fit to be a Mason and threatened to file charges against him. The following morning the woman went as instructed to see Frederick at the palace. He also instructed her to return whenever she was in need of help

June 2008

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

1	2 North Bank 182 Stated Meeting 7:30pm -10:00pm	3 Twin Falls 180 Stated Meeting 7:30pm -10:00pm	4	5 Washington 4 Stated Meeting 7:30pm -10:00pm	6 Red Cross Blood Drive—VMC 11:00am - 6:00pm	7 Ridgefield 237 10:00m -11:30am Strawberry Feed 11:45 am MAC Committee 12:00pm -1:30pm
8	9 White Salmon 183 Stated Meeting 7:00pm -10:00pm Prof. In Lodge Management Workshop	10 Silver Star 286 Stated Meeting 7:30pm -10:00pm	11	12 Mt. Hood 32 Stated Meeting 7:30pm -10:00pm	13	14
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July 2008

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Calendar of events

Red Cross Blood Drive
Vancouver Masonic Center
Friday, June 6th
10:00am - 6:00pm

Ridgefield Strawberry Feed
Vancouver Masonic Center
Saturday June 7th
11:45am

Washington Lodge No. 4
Glow Ball Golf Fundraiser
Green Meadows Country Club
Friday, June 20th

Red Cross Blood Drive
Vancouver Masonic Center
Thursday, July 3rd
10:00am - 6:00pm



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