

**TRESTLEBOARD  
ASHLER LODGE No. 121  
JANUARY 1981**

**Thursday, January 1  
Best Wishes for 1981!**

**Monday, January 5  
Officers Meeting  
7:00 p.m.  
Temple Board Meeting  
8:00 p.m.**

**Thursday, January 15th  
Stated Communication  
8:00 p.m.  
W.Bro. Royal Donalson, Speaker**

**No other activity scheduled**

**Brethren,**

Even though we do not have a full month of activity at Ashler Lodge, you are urged to visit other Lodges in our District.

Edmonds	2nd and 4th Thursday
Richmond	1st Tuesday
Blalock	2nd Tuesday
Genesis	1st Friday

Robert Burns coincides with our meeting and Haller Lake meets the first Thursday, which is New Years.

The Lodge received a very welcome letter from Bro. Dale Jane, who left us to reside in Germany. He writes he has found a position in his field, that of music, and feels very comfortable in his new home.

Best wishes to W.Bro. Bill Mosher for an enjoyable vacation in Palm Springs. He plans to leave January 13, for a two-month stay.

Please take particular note the Officers and Temple Board Meetings have been moved to Monday, January 5, for this month only.

**Worshipful Master,  
John Steptoe**

**TRESTLEBOARD  
ASHLER LODGE No. 121  
FEBRUARY 1981**

Thursday, February 5  
Officers Meeting  
7:00 p.m.  
Temple Board Meeting  
8:00 p.m.

Thursday, February 19  
Stated Communication  
8:00 p.m.

W.Bro. Royal Donelson, Speaker

Thursday, February 26  
Special Communication  
7:30 p.m.

Entered Apprentice Degree  
Bro. James Brewer in charge

Brethren,

The Temple Board meeting scheduled for February 5 is the annual stockholders' meeting of the Board. There will be an election of officers and the annual report of the auditing committee will be presented. Please be prompt for this important meeting.

VWB Gordon Graham of Haller Lake Lodge No. 296 has been appointed Deputy of the Grand Master to District 32, completing the current unexpired term. He plans to make an unofficial visit on the occasion of our February Stated Communication. Plan to be on hand to welcome him.

You will want to know that Wor. Bro. Ed Schubach has been admitted to Swedish Hospital. Send your cards and well wishes to him at Room 210. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Because our January meeting was necessarily altered, W.Bro. Donelson has graciously agreed to reschedule his remarks to the Lodge at our February Communication.

You will note the names of your Officers have been listed on this Trestleboard, along with their telephone numbers. Please save this list as it will not appear in each Trestleboard.

Brethren, if you have been assigned as a coach for any candidate, please concentrate on the candidate's proficiency. If for any reason you are unable to meet regularly with your candidate and would like some help, please make it known so we may give our candidates every opportunity to gain from Masonry that for which they petitioned.

Worshipful Master  
John Steptoe

**TRESTLEBOARD  
ASHLER LODGE No. 121  
MARCH 1981**

**Thursday, March 5  
Officers Meeting  
7:00 p.m.  
Temple Board Meeting  
8:00 p.m.**

**Thursday, March 12  
Second Degree Practice  
Bro. Reg Eiseman in charge**

**Thursday, March 19  
Stated Communication  
8:00 p.m.  
VWB Gordon Graham, Speaker**

**Thursday, March 26  
Second Degree  
Bro. Reg Eiseman in charge**

**Brethren,**

The Officers Meetings scheduled for the first Thursday of each month are intended to be an opportunity for the line officers to discuss questions they may have and to expand their Masonic knowledge. These meetings are not closed to any member who may desire to attend. The March 5 meeting is to be devoted to the Masonic Code and Bro. Ron Van Hoose will conduct the meeting.

As has been the practice of the Lodge in the past, the Degrees are the responsibilities of the Junior Warden, the Senior Deacon, and the Junior Deacon. They will direct the Third, Second, and First Degrees, respectively. As you know, the Degree work is a most rewarding part of our institution, but for the most part to those who take part in it. If you have a preference as regards a part in a Degree, let the proper officer know so he may cast you in that part.

**Worshipful Master  
John Steptoe**

TRESTLEBOARD  
ASHLER LODGE No. 121  
APRIL 1981

Thursday, April 2  
Officers Meeting  
7:00 p.m.  
Temple Board Meeting  
8:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 9  
Practice Third Degree  
7:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 16  
Stated Communication  
V.W. Gordon Graham, Speaker

Thursday, April 23  
First Degree  
7:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 30  
Third Degree  
7:30 p.m.

Brethren,

Some of you have expressed a desire to visit more of the Lodges in our District. Accordingly, it is planned to visit Yancy C. Blalock Lodge, Tuesday, April 14 on the occasion of their first Stated Communication of the month. MW Bob Nairn announced a special program for this Communication and has extended an invitation to us. Meet at Ashler at 7:00 - Lodge opens at 7:30.

Please note, there are two Special Communications in our own Lodge during the month of April. We will be voting on a petition for the Degrees of Masonry at our Stated Communication in April and a First Degree is scheduled for that candidate on April 23. Bro. Jim Brewer will be in charge of this Degree and will advise his degree team of a practice time. If you would like to take part in this Degree, contact Bro. Jim at 481-0160 and let him know you have such a desire. As you will note, the Degree is scheduled for April 23, so do not delay letting Bro. Jim know.

The Third Degree scheduled for April 30 will be under the direction of Bro. Mike Robert. If you have a favorite part in the Master Mason Degree, let Mike know so he can assign the part to you. There will be a special practice for this Degree on April 9, so it is imperative you get in touch with Bro. Mike right soon. His phone number is 485-9119.

Brethren, you are once again reminded of the Grand Masters Reception for District 32, which will be April 18 at Robert Burns Lodge. Genesis Lodge will be the hosts for this event, and let's be sure to support them by showing our appreciation for M.W. Sparger. There will be a seminar at 1:00 p.m. at Robert Burns. This should end about 3:30-4:00, permitting time to make arrangements to return to the hall in time for the 6:30 dinner. Your ladies are invited to this dinner and tickets are available to allow room for all who wish to attend. Lodge will open at 7:30 p.m. which does not leave but one hour for dinner. Be Prompt!

Tickets for dinner are \$5.00 and I have 20 tickets. As of this time, I have 15 more available. If you are unable to attend the dinner, plan to be at the meeting. Remember it will be opened on the First Degree. This is an excellent opportunity to involve some of our entered Apprentices and Fellowcrafts in Lodge work. Get in touch with any candidate who might qualify to attend (and that is all of them) and get them to this meeting.

Worshipful Master  
John Steptoe  
486-8820

V.W. Jack Nicholl  
Secretary  
788-3674

TRESTLEBOARD  
ASHLER LODGE No. 121  
MAY 1981

Thursday, May 7  
Officers Meeting  
7:00 p.m.  
Temple board Meeting  
8:00 p.m.

Thursday, May 14  
Junior Awards Program  
7:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 21  
Stated Communication  
8:00 p.m.

Thursday, May 28  
Special Communication  
7:30 p.m.  
First Degree

Brethren,

At our last meeting, you were all invited to attend the regular monthly officers meetings. Presently the Masonic Code is the subject being discussed and the next meeting should complete the material available to us at this time. If you feel you might be interested in joining in a discussion of this area of Masonry, please feel free to come. Brother Mike Robert will be conducting the meeting.

The annual Fellowcraft Degree at Roache Harbor will be held on May 9. Departure by ferry from Anacortes will be at 9:00 AM. As VW Jack pointed out, there may be only a limited opportunity to attend this event after this year. If you have never attended and would like to you are urged to take advantage of this year's degree.

Wor.Bro.Howard McCorkle has asked that there be an announcement made of a wood-cutting party scheduled for May 23 at Masonic Park. Get there as early as you can, bring anything you have that will facilitate the cutting of wood and the fixings for a potluck lunch. You are also expected to bring you own family to help do away with the lunch. The family may or may not help with the wood cutting, but they will certainly enjoy a day at beautiful Masonic Park.

Brethren, you were promised there would be no tentative degrees scheduled, however occasionally circumstances do contrive to thwart best intentions. We have rescheduled the First Degree to Mr. Ray Peterson for the last Thursday in May. As he travels in his work, it is possible he will have to be out of town. As of this time, he will be available and the Degree is therefore scheduled.

If you have been unable to attend lodge as often as you would like, make a special effort to come down for some of the degree work being done. Ashler Lodge can be proud of the work being done by this years officers. Come down, and not only show your support but also appreciate the fine work being done.

Again Brother Welton, thanks for the fine music that adds so much to our meetings. We appreciate your rising to the occasion in the face of adversity and supplying piano music when the organ failed us last week.

WM John Steptoe  
483-6041

VW Jack Nicholl  
Secretary  
788-3674

TRESTLEBOARD  
ASHLER LODGE No. 121

JUNE 1981

Thursday, June 4  
Officers Meeting  
7:00 p.m.

Temple Board Meeting  
8:00 p.m.

June 16, 17, 18  
Grand Lodge  
Walla Walla

Thursday, June 18  
Stated Communication  
Program by Bro. J. Grimes

Thursday, June 25  
Fellowcraft Degree

Brethren,

Very Worshipful Brother Gordon Graham is actively planning the program for next year. It is tentatively planned to hold a seminar during November for the benefit of all Lodge members but particularly for the incoming officers for the year 1982. We have been asked to assist in this planning by offering suggestions as to the type of seminar we would prefer and the topics to be covered. If you have any suggestions, please make your preferences known so your ideas may be incorporated in the program.

Make your plans to attend the open air degree at Masonic Park on August 1. This event has become a tradition and draws attendance from all over the Northwest. Particularly if you have not had the opportunity in the past, plan to attend this year. This event not only provides a full day of Masonry, but also a full day of fellowship. Come out and visit with some of the brothers that you have probably not seen since the last open air.

Brethren, as you have noted, in all Masonic gatherings, almost every member of the craft has his own personal meaning for the institution of Masonry. Whatever your own meaning may be, no one will disagree the three great tenets of a Mason's profession constitute, in a large measure, the basis for Masonic meaning.

As in the present question of, "What is the beginning of life" we may ask, "At what point does the brotherhood of Masonry begin?" It seems to start as soon as the candidate is obligated. If that is the case, then shouldn't we be on hand to demonstrate that brotherhood to the newly obligated brother? On May 28 we received a new brother into the order in Ashler Lodge. For that occasion, the degree team, composed for the most part of new Master Masons, diligently practiced and seriously studied their roles. A very fine degree was conferred on the candidate; probably as fine a degree as has been presented in Ashler Lodge. On the occasion of the degree, Brethren, we had one brother on the sidelines to welcome the newly obligated brother to the fraternity. It is physically impossible for some of our members to get to lodge; some are disabled, some are too distant. Keep that in mind, Brethren. Some can't be there, so do not count on your brethren to be present at the conferral of degrees and encourage our new brothers. Try to be present yourself. Remember, that is one of the bases the new brother has for getting his own meaning of Masonry.

WM John Steptoe  
483-6041

VW Jack Nicholl  
Secretary  
788-3674

TRESTLEBOARD  
ASHLER LODGE No. 121  
JULY - AUGUST 1981

Brethren, while Ashler Lodge is dark for the months of July and August, there are activities planned of which you shall want to be reminded.

August 1, Saturday, is the date of the open air Degree at Masonic Park at Granite Falls. This Degree has been put on by Haller Lake Lodge for the past 11 or so years and is well attended by brethren from all over the Northwest. Reservations should be made in advance. To register, send \$5.00 to

Beual Axtell  
Reservation Chairman  
7900 - 236th S.W., Apt. 3  
Edmonds, Washington 98020

This will cover your meal as well as registration. He would like to have in addition to your name, your rank or office, lodge name, and number. If you have not pre-registered and find you can attend, you may register at the park on August 1. Registration will begin 8 AM and Lodge will open at 10 AM. Your lady is invited and a day of entertainment and recreation is planned for them at the Dream Camp.

Ashler Lodge has planned a picnic at the park on August 9. That is on Sunday when it seems most of the brethren are not otherwise committed. We do not know what space we shall be in, however, check at the gate and the information will be there. Naturally you will want to bring the entire family—kids, grandkids — the whole gang. If you have friends you would like to have come out, by all means invite them. They will be welcome. We shall try to have activities for everybody. Bring whatever you want to eat, as this is planned as a "no host" picnic. If inactivity is your favorite activity, come up and enjoy the park with us.

You may recall that the Bothell Chapter of DeMolay challenged our Lodge to a softball game. The time and place of this contest were left open. However, it was to be in July. Richard Tuffland has agreed to manage the Lodge team, so if you are interested, please contact him at 483-6587.

Brethren, we shall look forward to being with you at the open air Degree and again on the occasion of the Ashler picnic.

With all best wishes for a pleasant summer,

VW Jack Nicholl  
Secretary  
788-3674

WM John Steptoe  
483-6041

TRESTLEBOARD  
ASHLER LODGE No. 121  
SEPTEMBER 1981

Thursday, September 3  
Officers Meeting  
7:00 P.M.  
Temple Board Meeting  
8:00 P.M.

Thursday, September 10  
Special Communication  
7:30 P.M.  
Master Mason Degree  
J.W. Mike Robert

Thursday, September 17  
Stated Communication  
8:00 P.M.

Brethren,

During the summer a work party under the direction of W.B. McArthur was at the Temple on several occasions to see to the maintenance of the building. These parties were well attended and the brethren present worked diligently painting, repairing, and cleaning. The Lodge appreciates the work done by these brothers and extends its appreciation. It is because of this kind of cooperation that Ashler Lodge has a hall of which it can be proud.

The officers meeting scheduled for September 4 is to be devoted to a practice for the Master Mason degree for Brother Ray Peterson. All who have been assigned a part for this degree are urged to be present. We have had two months away from our ritual and the practice will be time well spent. All officers are asked to be present as we shall also practice the opening and closing of Lodge.

Brethren, some of you asked that the Lodge hold a picnic during the summer and pursuant to this request, the picnic was held on August 9. This was the closing weekend of Seafair and may have accounted for the small turnout for the affair, however, those present enjoyed the outing at Masonic Park. If these Lodge picnics are to be continued, there should be participation by more of the brothers, as this is an excellent opportunity for our families to get acquainted.

VW Jack Nicholl  
Secretary  
788-3674

WM John Steptoe  
483-6041



TRESTLEBOARD  
ASHLER LODGE No. 121  
OCTOBER 1981

Thursday October 1  
Officers Meeting  
7:00 P.M.

Temple Board Meeting  
8:00 P.M.

Thursday October 8  
Special Communication  
7:30 P.M.  
Entered Apprentice Degree  
J.S. Jim Brewer

Saturday October 10  
District 32 Reception  
for Grand Master

Thursday October 15  
Stated Communications  
8:00 P.M.

Brethren,

The District 32 reception for the Grand Master will be hosted by Haller Lake Lodge. At this time, it is understood that there will be a dinner preceding opening of the Lodge. I will have more details concerning this reception and I would appreciate it if you could call 483-6041 for more information. Lodge is to be opened at 8:00 P.M., however, I cannot give you information concerning availability of tickets for dinner at this time.

W. Bro. Henry Magill will be in charge of the program for our Special Communication on October 15. He has been some months in preparing this program and it is sure to be of interest to all.

It seems a shame that we have five Thursdays in the month of October and that we do not have work scheduled for each one. At this time, there are several candidates who should be ready for the Fellowcraft Degree during this month. If it occurs that we are able to put on a Second Degree before the end of the month, an announcement of that fact will be made at the Stated Communication.

VW Jack Nicholl  
Secretary  
788-3674

WM John Steptoe  
483-6041

TRESTLEBOARD  
ASHLER LODGE No. 121  
NOVEMBER 1981

Thursday, November 5  
Officers Meeting  
7:00 P.M.  
Temple Board Meeting  
8:00 P.M.

Thursday, November 12  
Past Masters Night  
Dinner 6:30 P.M.  
Lodge Opened 8:00 P.M.

Thursday, November 19  
Stated Communications  
Election of Officers  
8:00 P.M.

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~~Thursday, November 26~~  
Special Communication  
7:30 P.M.  
Entered Apprentice Degree  
Bro. Jim Brewer

Brethren,

It is especially important that the officers be present for the meeting on November 5. Please make every effort to be there. If you find that your absence is unavoidable, please let me know.

Our annual Homecoming is to be a special event this year. J.W. Mike Robert has worked very hard on this event and expects it to be one of the best yet. He has made arrangements for a catered dinner and planned for a packed hall. Our special guest and speaker for the evening is to be P.G.M. Toby Johnsen. If you do not have your ticket for this dinner and very special occasion, see J.W. Mike or any of the officers.

Brethren, our stated communication this month will be devoted to the election of the officers who will guide Ashler Lodge for the year 1982. Be sure to plan to be on hand to cast your ballot and to show your support for the officers who will be elected. Your support of the incoming officers begins on election night.

VW Jack Nicholl  
Secretary  
788-3674

WM John Steptoe  
483-6041

TRESTLEBOARD  
ASHLER LODGE No. 121  
DECEMBER 1981

Thursday, December 3  
Installation Practice  
7:00 P.M.  
Temple Board Meeting  
8:00 P.M.

Thursday, December 10  
Installation of Officers  
for year 1982  
8:00 P.M.

Thursday, December 17  
Stated Communications  
8:00 P.M.  
VW Jack Nicholl

Tuesday, December 22  
Special Communication  
Fellowcraft Degree  
7:30 P.M.

*Happy Christmas to All.  
A Special Wish for Happiness  
and Contentment in 1982*

Brethren,

The regular officers meeting will be devoted to a practice for the installation of officers for the coming year. This practice is scheduled for 7:00 P.M. in order to leave ample time for all that we have to do and make it possible for all of the officers to attend the Temple Board Meeting at 8:00. Since the installation ceremony is the actual beginning of the new year in Masonry, we want it to be particularly smooth. For this reason, you are urged to be present and to be on time. Please do not overlook that invitation for all officers to attend the Temple Board meeting. These are short meetings, but vital to the operation and maintenance of our temple; these should be extremely important matters to all officers.

The installation of officers is scheduled for 8:00 P.M. Lodge will open promptly at that time.\* If you have not been in the habit of attending lodge regularly, try to be on hand for this very important function. At the election of officers held on November 19 only a very small part of membership was on hand. While that few decided for you who would represent your lodge in the coming year, you should be there to support these officers.

In what has become almost a tradition in our lodge, VW Jack Nicholl has agreed to address the lodge on this first meeting of the year. VW Jack's messages to the lodge are always timely and of import to the designs of Masonry. This is one meeting you will want to be sure to attend.

Brethren, while it is not the intention of the lodge to make a practice of scheduling meetings on days other than Thursday, the holidays falling at the end of December make it necessary in this instance to do so. The important work of conferring degrees on our brethren and candidates should not be delayed. You are asked to mark your calendars, so as not to forget this special communication.

Dates of installations in other lodges in our district will be announced at our meetings. You will want to attend as many of these events as you can.

For those brothers who are not able to attend lodge regularly, please accept a word of thanks for your support from the officers of 1981.

While it is sincerely hoped that you will be in lodge between now and the holidays, for those who won't be present to accept best wishes for the Holiday Season in person, they are extended at this time. It is hoped that Peace and Happiness will be yours for the season and throughout the year ahead.

VW Jack Nicholl	WM John Steptoe
Secretary 788-3674	483-6041
B. Manuel Zazueta	
WM Elect 823-8304	

\*All officers appointed for 1982 are reminded that there will be pictures taken prior to installation and, for that reason, they are asked to be at the Temple promptly at 7:00 P.M.