Whidby Island

15 Free & Accepted Masons

	Stated	Whidby Island	15	F. & A.M.	
	Coupeville, WA	16 January		6024	
	1 st			7:30	PM
	Steven Gabbert			Luie Ferrer	
W	Arturo Quizmundo			Michael Cons	olver
	Danny Sanchez				
W	Dale Thayer			Ace Agpoon	
VW	Nestor Cagingin				
VW	Marion Windell				
W	Reginald Carter			Nicollette Tor	rres

Worshipful Master welcomed and thanked everyone for attending this January Stated Communication with 16 members and 4 visiting Brethren.

Introductions:

All visitors with the exception of Masters, Wardens and Grand Lodge Team Members: VWB Gerry Myers of Fidalgo No. 77 and WB Francis Vidal of Alpha No. 212 were introduced in place, given a warm Whidby Island No. 15 welcome.

Visiting Senior Warden: WB Michael Belle Isle of Karl E. Warren Railroad Lodge No. 259. **Visiting Grand Lodge Team Members:** WB Dale Thayer – Children's Program; WB Ilan Wilde – Medical Team and VWB Nestor Cagingin – Deputy of the Grand Master in District 9 were escorted to the East and accorded the public grand honors.

Proficiency: Bro John Bautista proved up 1st Degree proficiency and Bro Jeff Secretaria proved up 2nd Degree proficiency via Committee chaired by VWB Marion Windell with WB Arturo Quizmundo, WB Steven Gabbert, Bro Nicollette Torres, and Bro Michael Consolver. **Reading of the prior minutes:** Reading of Stated Communications Minutes for 19-December-2023 was deferred, emailed to the Brethren at posted in the Bulletin Board.

Communications: Posted on Grand View: Emails from Cortez Daundre Jones (11-Jan) – RWB Clinton Brown received an email today from Cortez Daundre Jones. The email made veiled threats towards Seattle Masons. Please be aware of people in and around your Lodge buildings; Lodge Leadership Retreat on 15-17 Mar – Registration Now Open / 01-Jan to 21-Feb at https://freemason-wa.org/leadership-retreat/ (04-Jan)

Committee Reports:

Bikes for Books – Chairman – WB Arturo Quizmundo. Bicycles will be delivered as scheduled. **Scholarship** – Chairman – WB Arturo Quizmundo. Applications were revised into Fillable PDF. **Lodge Website** – Our website is up to date.

Degree Conferral – MM Conferral upon Bro Jeff Secretaria – Tentatively schueduled on 09-Feb/Fri at 6:00 PM. Refreshments available at 5:00 PM and after the degree work.

Sunshine – Both WB Jim Gaskill and WB Don Dubois are recovering at home; WB Dick Johnson in good spirit. WB Bruce Freeman caring for wife. Keep our Brothers in your prayers.

Bills for January: \$4,188.25

\$ 525.00	HMTA January 2024 Lodge Rent
\$ 365.00	Nestor Cagingin for January 2024 Secretary expenses (5 Holy Bibles)
\$ 100.00	Steven Gabbert (From Installation Expenses Donation)
\$3,198.25	Grand Lodge of Washington (2023 Annual Return)

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer was not present but the bills were ordered paid.

Old Business: 17 Inquiries – follow-up by WB Dale Thayer, WB Art Quizmundo, WB Steven Gabbert and WB Reginald Carter. Sweethearts Brunch Menu set by Bro JW Danny Sanchez and WM Steven Gabbert.

New Business: 2023 End of Year Report due on 01-Feb-2024. Certificate of Insurance from the temple Board naming the Lodge as an additional insured. Lodge Audit required and I-990 submitted to IRS for 2023 (2022 can be submitted if 2023 is not available).

Masonic Birthdays: January 2024

William Clark	44	Archie Jordan	77
Mark Dolar	7	Robert Pluth	70
Dennis Fitzpatrick	37	Donald Schwalback	23
Stanley Gearhart	46	Alejandrino Taculad	40
Douglas Jerome	29	-	

Announcements:

17-Jan/Wed at 7:00PM – Masonic Learning Experience at Fidalgo No. 77; 20-Jan/Sat at 3:00PM-District No. 9 Meeting with our Grand Master; 24-Jan/Wed at 7:30PM District LOA Meeting at Fidalgo No. 77; MM Degree Conferrals at Camano No. 19 on 27-Jan/03-Feb/24-Feb at 10:00AM; 23-Jan/Tues at 7:30PM Langley No. 218 Stated Meeting; 27-Jul/Sat Cornerstone Laying at KEW No. 259; 17-Aug/Sat – Railroad Degree at KEW No. 259.

VWB Nestor Cagingin brought greetings from our Grand Master, MWB Steve C. Martin, who is taking some time off after busy Installation Season (probably taking some family time/vacation). Please save the date: this Saturday (20-Jan) at 3:00 PM is District No. 9 Meeting with our Grand Master at Fidalgo No 77 Masonic Center in Anacortes. Attire: is dress like a Mason (Coat-and-tie)

The purpose for which this Communication was called having been fulfilled and after reading and approval of these minutes, Lodge was closed in Due Form at 8:45 PM o'clock peace and harmony prevailing.

Steven Gabbert

Nestor Cagingin

Worshipful Master

Secretary