

# Whidby Island Lodge No. 15



## *Trestle Board October 2021*

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## *Whidby Island Lodge No. 15 2021 Officers*

<i>Worshipful Master</i>	<i>WB Nestor Cagingin</i>
<i>Senior Warden</i>	<i>Bro Kelly Gustafson</i>
<i>Junior Warden</i>	<i>Bro Nelson De Vega</i>
<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>WB Dale Thayer</i>
<i>Secretary</i>	<i>WB Art Quizmundo</i>
<i>Chaplain</i>	<i>WB Phil Bleyhl</i>
<i>Senior Deacon</i>	<i>Bro Danny Sanchez</i>
<i>Junior Deacon</i>	<i>Bro Garret Mobley</i>
<i>Senior Stewart</i>	<i>WB Bruce Freeman</i>
<i>Junior Stewart</i>	<i>WB Dick Johnson</i>
<i>Marshal</i>	<i>WB Doug Jerome</i>
<i>Tyler</i>	<i>Bro Dave Eccles</i>



## From the East

Fraternal Greetings from the East.

Another great Stated Communication with 25 brothers in attendance. We had the opportunity to pay respect and honor our 13 service members who lost their lives in Kabul. We set up two tables with 13 empty chairs in the dining hall. During our meeting, we observed a “Moment of Silence” to remember all those who died 20 years ago in 9/11 attack. Another “Moment of Silence” to honor our 13 service members by mentioning each name followed by a bell then finally piped them. A pleasure to have WB Percival Peregrino of Silverdale Lodge No. 311 to visit us. Thank you for your presence and your continued support. We conferred Entered Apprentice Degree upon Mr. Tyler Clifford on 17-September in “candle lights” due to power outage. For our brothers who offered their prayers and generously donated for Bro David Eccles’ cremation/funeral expenses – Thank you very much for being true to your

Masonic obligation... to “aid and assist” distressed Widow and orphans. Sister Lynda Eccles, son James and daughter Joanna greatly appreciate your support and kindness.

October “Past Masters’ Night and Election Night” Stated Communication at 7:30 pm (Attire: Coat-and-Tie). Traditional Oyster Stew dinner at 6:30 pm with baked salmon donated by our avid anglers-Brothers. Each Brother must still make his own determination whether it is advisable for him to attend Lodge in-person.

We will keep our virtual fundraiser “NO Coffee Stop – Coffee Stop” an open donation for this year, in lieu of our normal in-person Fundraisers. Please consider donating to our Lodge to assist us in our operating cost during these difficult times. Thank you for supporting!

To all Brothers whithersoever dispersed, please stay well and stay safe. Stay inform with your Lodge through emails, Lodge website <http://whidbeyisland-15.org/> , Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Whidby-Island-Lodge-No-15> should any of our Brothers need anything; we are just an email or phone call away.

**Upon the Square,**

**WB Nestor Cagingin  
Worshipful Master  
Whidby Island Lodge # 15  
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**Whidby 15 Brethren at Exodus 2020, Rainier Lodge No. 189, Seattle WA**



## From the West

Fraternal Greetings from the West

Brethren,

September was an eventful month for our Lodge with our monthly Stated Communication and a Master Mason degree for Bro. Ian Patubo, both in one week, plus an Entered Apprentice degree for Bro. Tyler Clifford. Thank you so much to all the players that participated in making these degrees possible. We will be having more degrees to come in the months ahead... Conferral of degrees like these are how we keep our Lodge alive. So please if your cable tow permits, please help out when and wherever you are able.

In September Two of our Brother Masons (Brother David Eccles and Brother Ronald Tells) laid down their working tools for the last time, to move on to the Grand Lodge in Heaven. Service for Brother David Eccles will be on 9 October 2021. Please come out and show your Brotherly Love & support if you are able to make it.

A Famous Mason James Harold "Jimmy" Doolittle. WW2 U.S. Army Air Corps James Harold (Jimmy) Doolittle was born in Alameda, California on December 14th, 1896. He spent most of his youth in Nome, Alaska.

In 1917, he left school to enlist during World War I, he never left the United States during World War I. In 1922, Doolittle made a pioneering flight. He flew directly from Florida to California, stopping once for fuel. The flight took over 21 hours. Doolittle traveled around the United States for duty stations leading up to World War II. He largely worked in pioneering new flight procedures and techniques.

In 1942, Doolittle planned and executed "Doolittle's Raid." The raid took place on the Japanese homeland and struck several major cities. The Raid was flown off the USS Hornet. Doolittle, his crew and several other crews flew bombers over Japan. The intent after the raid was for the crews of the various aircraft to land in China. Due to poor weather and a lack of fuel in the case of at least one aircraft, all of the crews were forced to ditch and parachute into China. Four members of the raid lost their lives when they were captured by Japanese forces in China, the rest of the crews made it to safety with the help of friendly Chinese soldiers and guerrillas. Although the Raid itself did minimal damage, it had a direct impact on the war in the Pacific. The Raid embarrassed Japanese military leaders and forced them to redeploy their troops. Many historians feel "Doolittle's Raid" is the reason the Allies were successful in the Battle of Midway.

Because of "Doolittle's Raid", Doolittle went from the rank of Lieutenant Colonel during the Raid to immediately being promoted to Brigadier General. By the end of that same year they promoted him to Major General and gave him a command in North Africa.

Doolittle was a member of Hollenbeck Lodge No. 319 in Los Angeles, California. In an interesting set of events, Doolittle was balloted on during a special meeting of Hollenbeck Lodge for which they received special dispensation. At the time of his election to receive the degrees of Freemasonry he was stationed in Louisiana. Again with special dispensation from the Grand Lodge of California and the Grand Lodge of Louisiana, Doolittle was given all three degrees on August 16th, 1918 in Lake Charles Lodge No. 16. All of the special circumstances were to accommodate Doolittle's military service and deployments. Doolittle was also a 33° Scottish Rite mason and a Shriner. Doolittle passed away on September 27th, 1993.

So my Brethren, until we meet again... Please Stay Healthy, Safe, and Sane.

**On the Level,**

**Brother Kelly Gustafson  
Senior Warden  
Whidby Island Lodge No.15**

## From the South



### Greetings from the South

September was a busy month for us and the coming months ahead will be as well. We initiated into our craft Brother Tyler Clifford on September 17 and raised Brother Ian Patubo to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason on September 24th. To all the brothers who participated and attended these conferrals, thank you very much.

This coming month of October, we will have our election of officers for the ensuing Masonic Year. Any brother who has a desire to be an officer, make your wishes be known. We may have a Master Mason conferral this month as well. I urge the brethren to take part in these conferrals not just for the candidates but for yourselves and our Lodge in particular. The more brothers we have that can take on any part of the conferrals is always good for the lodge.

### Famous Masons (continued).....

- Duke Ellington - musician, Social Lodge #1, Washington, DC
- John Elway - Hall of Fame quarter back, South Denver Lodge #93, Denver, CO
- Gerald Ford - President of the United States
- Henry Ford - founder of Ford Motor Company, Palestine Lodge #357, Detroit
- Joe Frazier - heavy weight boxing champion, MB Talor Lodge #141
- Clark Gable - actor, Beverly Hills Lodge #528, California
- James A. Garfield - US President, Magnolia Lodge #20, Columbus Lodge #30
- John Glenn - Astronaut & US Senator, Concord Lodge #688, Concord, OH
- Lionel Hampton - American jazz musician, member of Prince Hall in New York
- Warren G. Harding - 29th President of the US, Marion Lodge #70, Ohio
- Oliver Hardy - actor, Solomom Lodge #20, Florida

More to come.....

### By the Plumb,

**Brother Nelson “Untoy” De Vega**  
**Junior Warden**  
**Whidby Island Lodge No. 15**

## On Secretary's Desk

Fraternal Greetings and Brotherly Love Brethren,

Currently, we still have 12 Brothers who have yet to pay their dues. I have sent the Dues Notices via snail mail in the middle of September 2021. If you do not have an access of your Grandview profile (Grand Lodge of Washington database), this is the link to set one up: [https://wa.grandview.systems/membership\\_registration](https://wa.grandview.systems/membership_registration). There is a tutorial video on this page as well that will show you how to set up your account. Please do not hesitate to contact me directly for any questions or concerns about your dues or for anything regarding your profile in Grand Lodge database (Grandview).



\*Life Members are responsible to pay \$28.00 annually for the Grand Lodge Assessment fee. Service exempt for all 50 year Master Masons are not obligated to pay dues and/or assessments.

To receive events, newsletters or Trestle Boards from Lodges in District # 9 via email, you are encouraged to sign up for everyone@district9wa.com, go to <http://district9wa.com/mailling-list-management/> and enter your email address and submit.

Please follow link: <https://freemason-wa.org/grand-lodge-newsletter/> Grand Lodge of Washington Newsletter. Visit our website at [www.whidbeyisland-15.org](http://www.whidbeyisland-15.org). Like and Share us in our Facebook page: Whidby Island Lodge No. 15.

Upcoming events in our Lodge:

- Master Mason Degree conferral on Bro Joel Esteban on 15 Oct 2021 @ 1800 (6:00PM)

**Fraternally,**

**Art Quizmundo, PM**  
**Secretary, Whidby Island Lodge No. 15**  
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## *Highlights of June Stated Communication*

The WM extended a warm Whidbey Island welcome to all Brothers present this evening. Thanked the Brethren for attending tonight's meeting. Members and visitors are as per Tyler's log. Thanked all the Pro-Temps. Thanked for those who offered prayers and donated money to Sister Lynda Eccles for the cremation/funeral services of Bro David Eccles. Also thanked to all who are present during our EA Degree Conferral (Friday, 17 Sep 2021) upon Bro Tyler Clifford.

### **Awards**

- Bro Luis Ferrer was given his Dues Card

### **Communications**

- E-mail from GL, Dues Statements, Elections, Monthly Closeouts
- E-mail from MWB Santy Lascano, Apron cost quote (\$2600 for 13 Officer's Aprons)
- Letters from the Brethren with checks for donations

### **Committee Reports**

- Bikes for Books – WB Nestor Cagingin: nothing to report
- Scholarship: WB Douglas Jerome – Bro Secretary informed the Lodge that all check for the awardees had been sent via mail.
- Lodge Website: WB Jim Gaskill – Website is up to date and is working on a new website
- Investigation Committee: None
- Proficiency – Bro Norvi Cruz, FC and Bro Adrian Santiago, EA had been deemed proficient on respective Degrees.

### **September 2021 Income: As per Treasurer's Report**

#### **September 2021 Bills: \$ 8,147.22**

- \$525.00 HMTA September 2021 Rent
- \$75.00 WB Art Quizmundo, Secretary September 2021
- \$5000 Brethren's aid to Sis Lynda Eccles, Paid 9/16/21
- \$2 Grand Lodge of WA, Invoice #89448, Dues Cards (2) Fee
- \$70 USPS, Post Office Box Service for 12 months
- \$2285.22 HMTA, 2021 Property Tax

\*\*\*Bills were ordered to be paid after Brother Treasurer made his report\*\*\*

### Old Business

- Officers' Apron Quotation (\$ 2,600.00 for 13 officers) to order had been discussed and tabled
- Laptop Computers for Secretary and Treasurer had been discussed and tabled
- Dues Statement mailed to Brothers with outstanding dues by the Bro Secretary

### New Business

- Hill Masonic Temple Association requested in writing for funds for 2021 property tax payment in the amount of \$ 2, 285.22, which was motioned, voted on, and passed

### September Masonic Birthdays

#### Brethren

#### Years of Service

- Bro Roy L. Compton	60
- Bro Fernando C. Bumbasi	26
- Bro James T. Milling	23
- Bro James R. Gaskill	17
- Bro Art R. Quizmundo, Jr	16
- Bro Mark T. Logan	12
- Bro Micheal Zina	2



### Sickness and Distress

Keep our Brethren and their families in our thoughts and prayers.

- WB Louis Bartrand for his speedy recovery and Sis Lynda Eccles

### Announcements

- 24 Oct 21, Friday at 6:00 pm – MM Degree Conferral upon Bro Ian Patubo. Thanks to Bro SW who made Trestle board in a very short notice.
- October Stated Meeting will be our "Past Master Night" and Election Night. Attire is Coat-and-Tie, wear a bow tie if you have them.
- Invitation from WB Doug Jerome to Sojourners meeting on 24 Sep 2021
- WB Bruce Freeman shared his experience on visiting Bannick 3-7-77, Montana
- Invitation from WB Percival Peregrino of Silverdale Lodge No. 311 on 2 Oct 2021
- Invitation from WB Carl Fjelsted of Langley Lodge No. 218 Stated Meeting on 28 Sep 2021.