## **UNIVERSITY LODGE 141**

## **TRESTLEBOARD**

**JANUARY 2024** 





#### FROM THE EAST

**University Lodge 141 - Next Stated Meeting** 

#### Friday, January 5th

Doors open at 6:00, Dinner at 6:30, Lodge at 7:30 In keeping with our lodge By-Laws, when a meeting lands on a national holiday, the meeting is moved to the following Friday. Since Monday, January 1st is New Year's Day, our meeting is moved to Friday January 5th.

Happy New Year Brethren!

I hope everyone had a good time celebrating the holidays with friends and family. Our January Stated meeting will be this coming Friday as per our by-laws. As well, this meeting we will be opening on the third degree to close the 2023 Lodge of Sorrows and open up the Lodge of Sorrows for 2024. However, any EAs or Fellowcrafts, please join as as well, as we will call down after that piece of the meeting is over and you'll be able to join us. This is a great time for us to observe and remember our brethren who have passed on to that Celestial Lodge, a lot of whom have shaped us into the men and Masons we are today.

As a follow up from my message last month, a big focus of mine this next year is about attendance and the perception of our lodge in the eyes of prospects. So please, join us for our stated meeting, I'm looking forward to seeing you all there!

-WM Rhys Nunnelee



Each month, we volunteer at the University District Food Bank. Laboring at the Food Bank is a great way to do charity and work together with brothers and interested candidates. We do light cleaning and organizing in preparation for when they open to the public on the weekdays.

Our next shift is Saturday, January 13 from 12-2pm. The address is 5017 Roosevelt Way NE, Seattle, WA 98105

In addition to volunteering, University Lodge makes an annual financial donation to the Food Bank. We received this note from the Food Bank after our latest donation:

"As always, we are grateful for the University Masonic Lodge's generous support. Our fiscal year food budget is expected to double to \$1,200,000 due to higher service numbers, inflation, and receiving less food from our major donation partners. I do believe we will reach this higher fundraising level because of our generous community. Thanks again!"

-Paul Yunker, Development Director



#### **Lodge of Sorrow**

Each January, we hold our Annual Lodge of Sorrow, where we acknowledge the names of all the brethren that we lost during the previous year. In the spirit of this ritual and tradition, here are the names of the brethren we lost in 2023. *B=Born, R=Raised, D=Died* 

WILLIAM NOLAN ADAMS, Jr B: October 11, 1939 R: December 9, 1971

D: October 25, 2022

CLINTON COHN B: May 29, 1927 R: May 21, 1968 D: February 17, 2023

**JOHN** 

CECIL WILLY SUNDBECK B: February 19, 1929 R: April 29, 1954 D: January 7, 2023

HALEVA
B: July 8, 1930
R: September 26, 1983
D: May 27, 2022

**SAMUEL** 

KEITH EDWIN WALLINDER B: June 27, 1927 R: June 29, 1954 D: June 20, 2020 WILLIAM MILTON ABSHERE B: September 17,1933 R: April 19, 1965 D: June 19, 2018 RICHARD KENNETH

JERIEL VIRGIL

GLEIN ELLINGSON

B: August 20, 1929 B: August 8, 1939

R: March 26, 1964 R: April 27, 1977

D: May 2, 2020 D: May 29, 2023

JOHN LOUIS LARSON B: August 2, 1924 R: April 9, 1981 D: June 6, 2023 ANDREW KENNETH FREEMAN B: June 20, 1972 R: March 31, 2007 D: July 24, 2023 MICHAEL SUMIO URAKAWA B: April 25, 1944 R: February 25, 1971 D: October 8, 2023





Last month University Lodge 141
held it s 10th Annual Toys for Tots
drive. We donated over 95 toys
and over \$750 to Toys for Tots.
Great job brethren, we are
making a difference
in the community!

#### **Brethren Raised in January**

**Robert O'Brien** 1959 **Henry Herrmann** 1960 **Armand Charbonneau** 1988 William Vaughn 1988 James Maher 1989 **Richard Sommers** 1992 **Loren Ruud** 1999 **Anthony Monaco** 1999 **Terry Nicholas** 2001 Samuel Kent 2013 Fillip Kitsak 2013





# BEHIND THE MASONIC SYMBOLS: SQUARE AND COMPASSES

While there are many symbols associated with Freemasonry, none are more universally recognizable than the square and compasses. It is well-known enough that even those who are not personally acquainted with the fraternity understand the connection when they come across it. Like many aspects of Freemasonry, the precise origins of this symbol are unknown. However, it is thought to have roots in the Medieval stonemasons' guilds.

Of course, for modern Masons, the square and compasses symbol has a unique, profound meaning. It resides at the heart of Masonic lessons, beckoning all Brothers to live a life that is honest, true, and dignified. Any traveling man understands that when he sees this symbol, whether on the façade of a Masonic temple, the bumper sticker of a passing car, or a lapel pin of a colleague, he is in the company of friends.

# The Square and Compasses could be considered the greatest logo ever... But do you know the secrets about these logos?



In the Amazon logo, an arrow swoops from the first "a" to the "z" since the company sells everything from A to Z. The arrow also looks like a smile.



Baskin-Robbins offers 31 flavors to customers. The logo has a "BR." The curved part of the "B" and the left line of the "R" are pink, together they make number "31."



Cisco was founded in San Francisco (hence "Cisco"), and the lines are based on the shape of the Golden Gate Bridge.



The FedEx logo uses the negative space between the "E" and "x" to create the shape of an arrow.



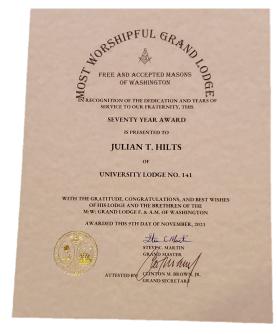
Hershey Kisses are everywhere, including in the logo. There's a hidden kiss in the gap between the "K" and the "I."

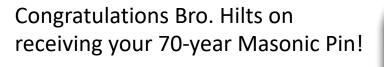


In the Tostitos logo, the dot over the "i" is a bowl of salsa, and above it is a tortilla chip. The two "t's" look like people enjoying chips and salsa.

## Bro. Julian Hilts Receives 70-year Masonic Pin at Mt. Hood Lodge No. 32

University Lodge Brother Julian Hilts lives down in Vancouver, WA, and has been attending lodge at Mt. Hood Lodge No. 32, also in Vancouver, WA. After some coordination, Mt. Hood Lodge No. 32 presented Bro. Hilts with his 70-year Masonic Service pin on our behalf. Many thanks to MWB Steve C. Martin, RWB James C. Norton, WM William Lippl, and VWB Gordon Johnson, Special Deputy of the Grand Lodge of Washington. Each of you made this event possible and we cannot thank you enough.







RWB James C. Norton, Jr. presenting Julian with his 70 years of service recognition pin.



The brethren of Mt. Hood Lodge No. 32.

University Lodge No. 141, like the institution that is its namesake, holds up the ideals of lifetime learning, self-improvement and service, both for the benefit of its members and the community at large. Nothing less than excellence in ritual is acceptable and jovial fellowship will be its counterbalance.

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