



## A Message from our Noble

My dear brothers,

What a wonderful and joyous few months we've had! Thank you for all of your support and what you have each brought to each meeting: your friendship, love, truth, unique personal presences, dues, and snacks. Let's continue to have fun, develop more deeply our brotherhood and take care of ourselves, each other and our lodge/hall. The silent walk out to Tselwesein (Madrona Point) was a special highlight for me personally. The blue camas, chocolate lilies, shooting stars and other flowers were magnificent. And there was the goose couple talking to us about interrupting the evening solitude. (Please remember that our brotherhood was specifically asked by the Lummi Indian Nation to help caretake this beautiful, ancestral land.) Sharing around the fire that night was so nice and having our dear brother George share with us about his home in Greece was very inspiring. Each time we pass the talking stick it helps me remember why I love our closeness, listening to each one speak from the heart. We have a lot of incredible events coming up and please remember that although we have scheduled our calendar and it is important to honor our intentions, it is also our understanding and agreement that we will adapt as needed anything we have planned. Please be thinking of innerworks you may like to have happen or do. Please also think about taking on one of the tasks that our lodge/hall needs and talk with one of the building committee members about it or bring it up at a meeting. Let's continue our discussions about fun(fund) raisers and I want to say here that there are two things I would really like us to get behind: 1.) bringing more beauty and spirit into the physical space of our lodge, 2.) dramatically improving our acoustics in the hall. Let's get ready for all of the presentations, dances and other events coming. REMEMBER THE MOUNT BAKER CAMPOUT.

Blessings dear brothers.  
Love, che



## Spring Has Sprung

With spring has come parade season! So far we have been the April Fool's Parade, and been in the Earth Day and May Day parades. Even a small showing of brothers in regalia with drums has had a big impact on these community events and been appreciated by many. Next up is the Summer Solstice Parade on Sat, June 19. Put it on your calendar now and let's make a good turnout for this island tradition.

## Calendar



### May

- 13th 7:30 Business meeting:  
Help chart the future of the lodge as we create a new vision for managing the hall.
- 20th 7:30 Potluck at Jim Allan's
- 27th 7:30 Innerworks  
Movement with George

### June

- 3rd 6:00 Comaraderie  
Potluck at 6:30 at the lodge.  
Bring prospective brothers.
- 10th 6:00 Point Doughty  
Potluck dinner. Overnight for those can make it!
- 17th 6:00 Potluck at Gincig's
- 19th 6:00 Summer Solstice Parade!
- 24th 7:30 Innerworks  
Degree of Friendship

### July

- 1st 6:30 Comaraderie  
Potluck at 6:30 at the lodge.  
Bring prospective brothers.  
Let's impress each other with a culinary delight!
- 6-10th (Tuesday-Saturday)  
Mt. Baker Campout!
- 8th No Meeting
- 15th 7:00 Innerworks-TBA
- 22nd 7:30 Open Agenda:  
Available for unscheduled business or check-in, drumming, singing, etc.
- 29th 7:00 Innerworks:  
Women In Our Lives-  
The Feminine In Ourselves

### August

- 5th 7:00 Comaraderie  
Potluck at 6:30 at the lodge.  
Bring prospective brothers.  
Share the harvest.
- 12th 7:00 Innerworks  
What Floats Your Boat?  
- Jeffery Z.
- 19th 6:00 Potluck at Patrick Boehm's
- 26th 6:00 Meeting at Obstruction Pass  
Walk in or boat in - details TBA



May Day Celebrants

  
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## **Reminder**

Dues are overdue. Please send your 2004 dues in to P.O. Box 1286 or hand them over to Bill Gincig at the next meeting.