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Message from the Noble Grand

Greetings dear brothers. We've brought on Summer in high style with two fabulous parades celebrating the Summer Solstice & Independence / Interdependence Day. A special thanks to George Post who created our Solstice headdresses, the Drummers, the Earth-bearers, and everyone who participated. Now, get yourself outside already & enjoy our short, sweet Pacific Northwest summer!

- In FL&T, Eric



BANKING ON FOOD

Our local food bank provides much needed sustenance for about 25 island families. Everyone's continuing support helps these folks make it through challenging times. This month, let's bring surplus food items from our kitchen cupboards down to the hall. If you have extra fresh produce, that would be even better. Thanks to John Sumrall for his generous donation of home grown broccoli.

Make Wood While The Sun Shines



It's that time of year for us busy beavers to start gnawing on our woodpile. We're meeting at 10 AM every Saturday morning throughout July and August to cut and split wood. Contact John S. at 5598 or Eric at 4320 to confirm which days you can attend - or just show up at the scene. Yummy wood chip snacks will be served.

DRIFT ON, DUDES!



Another epic outdoor adventure was successfully undertaken by five intrepid brothers (plus the entire Zbornik clan) who conquered the wild Methow River on May 30- June 1. Thanks to Eric Simmons & Annette for logistical support & river guidance. We rock, paddle & roll!



WHAT ARE THE ODDS?

Rumor has it that we actually may be initiating several new members this year. Come to our open meetings on the first Wednesday of every month & get yourself acquainted with these fine men. Bring your sponsorees to these meetings, as well as to other open events. See you there!



Happy Birthday Brothers!

7-3 Bob Harris	7-26 Tim McHugh
7-4 John Barnes	7-27 Miguel Denker
7-16 Fred Klein	8-1 Ezekiel Barr
7-17 Bill Wulff	8-2 Che Blaine
7-19 Michael Budnick	8-5 <i>Glenn Johnson</i>
7-20 Daniel McCarty	8-14 Walter Henderson
7-26 Jim McKeon	8-18 Jeff Dickson

Acknowledgements

Thanks to Andrew for near-singlehandedly running the ticket booth at the 4th of July Dragonfly Dance. Additional kudos to Didier, Ezekiel & Eric for providing security & keeping the peace. We pulled in a record \$1460 and a truly awesome time was had by all. The next Dragonfly Dance will be on Saturday, August 2. Come & fly like a Dragon.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- July 12 (Sat.)** Woodcutting 10am
- July 14-18** Baker Lake camping trip
- July 19 (Sat.)** Woodcutting 10am
- July 23** Inner Works "10" with Fred 7pm
- July 26 (Sat.)** Woodcutting 10am
- July 30** Hike to Obstruction Pass; 5th Wednesday - Womenfolk invited; Bring snack food. Carpool from lodge 6pm.
- Aug 2 (Sat.)** Woodcutting 10am
- Aug 6** Point Doughty Potluck (open to guests). Meet at West Beach 6 PM. Jeffrey will bring kayaks; we may also have motorboats & possibly the umiak. Overnight camping is optional.
- Aug 9 (Sat.)** Woodcutting 10am
- Aug 13** Potluck meeting at John Sumrall's house. Carpool from lodge 6pm.
- Aug 16 (Sat.)** Woodcutting 10am
- Aug 20** 20th Odd Fellows Reunion at the Hall. Bring a long lost brother.
- Aug 23 (Sat.)** Woodcutting 10am
- Aug 27-28** Mountain Lake Campout / 20th Odd Fellows Reunion. Bring food, drink, musical instruments, tents, sleeping bags, boats & brothers. Be prepared to enjoy an epic event.
- Aug 30 (Sat.)** Woodcutting 10am
- Sept 3** Bill and Monique Gincly's House (potluck, open to guests)