# This is the Bremerton Valley By-Laws As amended at the Stated Communication on: December 5, 2007

By-Laws
Of
Bremerton Valley
Orient of Washington

Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry

Southern Jurisdiction U.S.A.

# By-Laws Bremerton Lodge of Perfection

#### Article I. Name

Section 1. This Lodge shall be known as Bremerton Lodge of Perfection.

#### Article II. Meetings

Section 1. The stated Meeting shall be held in the Masonic Temple located at 878 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Bremerton Washington on the First Wednesday of each Month at 7:30 P.M. Except during the months of June and July. When a Holiday falls on the first Wednesday. The stated Meeting shall be on the Second Wednesday. Rev. 2005.

Section 2. Special meetings may be called by the Venerable Master as he may determine and notice thereof shall designate the time and place. No business shall be enacted at a special meeting except as specified in the notice. The publication in the Kitsap Sun, the Valley Web Site (<a href="http://bremertonvalleysr.org">http://bremertonvalleysr.org</a>), or E-mail and /or in a printed schedule of events shall constitute and official notice. Rev. 2005.

#### Article III. Officers Election/Installation

Section 1. The officers shall be as provided for in the Ceremonies of Installation and shall be elected and appointed annually. Rev. 2005

Section 2. The election of Officers in the Lodge of Perfection shall be held on the first Wednesday in January. Rev. 2005

Section 3. The installation of all four Bodies of the Scottish Rite shall be held on a Wednesday within thirty days of election at a joint Installation. Rev. 2005.

#### Article IV. Fees and Dues

Section 1. The established fee for the degrees in the Lodge of Perfection shall be eighty (\$80.00) dollars. No fee shall be charged for Affiliation.

Section 2. The annual dues for each member shall be twenty five (\$25.00) dollars per year, except those members who have purchased a Life Membership, or those who are Fifty Year Members, in which case, they are relieved from further payment of dues, but not assessments.

Section 3. The annual dues of each member of the Lodge of Perfection are payable in advance on or before the First (1<sup>st</sup>) day of January of each year. A members dues if not paid on or before that date shall become delinquent. Rev. 2007.

### Article V. Amendments

# Article VI. Lodge Council

Section 1. A committee of eleven (11) members of the Scottish Rite Valley consisting of the Presiding Officer and the Senior Warden or his equivalent of each from the Lodge of Perfection, Chapter of Rose Croix, Council of Kadosh, Consistory, Secretary, Treasurer and the Chairman of the Advisory Committee in the Valley of Bremerton shall compose the Lodge Council. It shall co-ordinate the activities of the Rite. They shall meet monthly or more often when the occasion demands, except in the months of June and July, by call of the presiding chairman. The Almoner shall be requested to attend, but without a vote. Rev. 2005.

Section 2. The Presiding Chairman shall call all scheduled and Special Meetings and shall notify all members as to the time and place of all meetings. The Chairmanship responsibility shall rotate calendar quarter. When the Council Meeting falls within the following quarters the chairmanship is as follows:

The Junior Officer, second in line to the Presiding Officer, of each of the four Bodies shall be invited, and encouraged to attend the meetings of the Council, there to take part in the discussion and proceedings, but not accorded the voting privileges unless he shall be sitting in as proxy for either of his senior officers, at which time he shall become a full member of the Council. A quorum shall consist of a minimum of six (6) voting members of the Council. The Council Meeting is open to all members. Rev. 2005

# Article VII. Finance

Section 1. All monies, bonds, stocks, real and personal property now owned or hereafter acquired, shall be under the custody, control and management of the Bremerton Lodge of Perfection, for itself, for Bremerton Chapter of Rose Croix, Bremerton Council of Kadosh and the Bremerton Consistory in accordance with Article XV Section 18 of the Supreme council Status issued under the date of October 1975.

Section 2. All regular and necessary expenditures such as rent, meal, salaries and similar expenditures in connection with the operation of the bodies of the Scottish Rite in Bremerton may be authorized by a quorum of the Lodge of Perfection members present at any Stated Meeting.

Section 3. The Lodge Council shall investigate and report to the Lodge of Perfection with recommendation all proposed expenditures not covered in Section 2.

Section 1. The statutes of the Supreme Council, Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America is hereby a part of these By-Laws.

# Article IX. Adoption and Approval

Section 1. Foot Note: these By-Laws of the Bremerton Scottish Rite Valley for all four Bodies were presented on August 3, 2005: adopted on September 7, 2005 and shall supersede any By-Laws made prior to the above date.

Respectfully Submitted: Matt Martin, Gordon W. Sumner and Richard R. Dexter

SS Lance Otis Venerable Master

James N. Reid Jr. Personal Representative

Don E. Lauer Secretary

By-Laws Submitted to the Supreme Council on 11-4-2005

Approved 11-4-2005

# By-Laws Bremerton Chapter of Rose Croix

# Article I. Name

Section 1. This Lodge shall be known as Bremerton Chapter of Rose Croix.

# Article II. Meetings

Section 1. The stated Meeting shall be held in the Masonic Temple located at 878 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Bremerton Washington a Wednesday at least one in two month at 7:30 P.M. Except during the months of June, July and August. Rev. 2005.

Section 2. Special meetings may be called by the Wise Master as he may determine and notice thereof shall designate the time and place. No business shall be enacted at a special meeting except as specified in the notice. The publication in the Kitsap Sun, the Valley Web Site (<a href="http://bremertonvalleysr.org">http://bremertonvalleysr.org</a>), or E-mail and /or in a printed schedule of events shall constitute and official notice. Rev. 2005.

#### Article III. Officers Election/Installation

Section 1. The officers shall be as provided for in the Ceremonies of Installation and shall be elected and appointed annually. Rev. 2005

Section 2. The election of Officers in the Chapter of Rose Croix shall be held on the first Wednesday in January. Rev. 2005

Section 3. The installation of all four Bodies of the Scottish Rite shall be held on a Wednesday within thirty days of election at a joint Installation. Rev. 2005.

#### Article IV. Fees and Dues

Section 1. The established fee for the degrees in the Chapter of Rose Croix shall be forty (\$40.00) dollars. No fee shall be charged for Affiliation.

Section 2. The annual dues for each member shall be twelve (\$12.00) dollars per year, except those members who have purchased a Life Membership, or those who are Fifty Year Members, in which case, they are relieved from further payment of dues, but not assessments.

Section 3. The annual dues of each member of the Chapter of Rose Croix are payable in advance on or before the First (1<sup>st</sup>) day of January of each year. A members dues if not paid on or before that date shall become delinquent. Rev. 2007.

### Article V. Amendments

# Article VI. Lodge Council

Section 1. A committee of eleven (11) members of the Scottish Rite Valley consisting of the Presiding Officer and the Senior Warden or his equivalent of each from the Lodge of Perfection, Chapter of Rose Croix, Council of Kadosh, Consistory, Secretary, Treasurer and the Chairman of the Advisory Committee in the Valley of Bremerton shall compose the Lodge Council. It shall co-ordinate the activities of the Rite. They shall meet monthly or more often when the occasion demands, except in the months of June and July, by call of the presiding chairman. The Almoner shall be requested to attend, but without a vote. Rev. 2005.

Section 2. The Presiding Chairman shall call all scheduled and Special Meetings and shall notify all members as to the time and place of all meetings. The Chairmanship responsibility shall rotate calendar quarter. When the Council Meeting falls within the following quarters the chairmanship is as follows:

The Junior Officer, second in line to the Presiding Officer, of each of the four Bodies shall be invited, and encouraged to attend the meetings of the Council, there to take part in the discussion and proceedings, but not accorded the voting privileges unless he shall be sitting in as proxy for either of his senior officers, at which time he shall become a full member of the Council. A quorum shall consist of a minimum of six (6) voting members of the Council. The Council Meeting is open to all members. Rev. 2005

# Article VII. Finance

Section 1. All monies, bonds, stocks, real and personal property now owned or hereafter acquired, shall be under the custody, control and management of the Bremerton Lodge of Perfection, for itself, for Bremerton Chapter of Rose Croix, Bremerton Council of Kadosh and the Bremerton Consistory in accordance with Article XV Section 18 of the Supreme council Status issued under the date of October 1975.

Section 2. All regular and necessary expenditures such as rent, meal, salaries and similar expenditures in connection with the operation of the bodies of the Scottish Rite in Bremerton may be authorized by a quorum of the Lodge of Perfection members present at any Stated Meeting.

Section 3. The Lodge Council shall investigate and report to the Lodge of Perfection with recommendation all proposed expenditures not covered in Section 2.

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# By-Laws Bremerton Council of Kadosh

#### Article I. Name

Section 1. This Lodge shall be know as Bremerton Lodge of Perfection.

#### Article II. Meetings

Section 1. The stated Meeting shall be held in the Masonic Temple located at 878 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Bremerton Washington on a Wednesday at least once in two months at 7:30 P.M. Except during the months of June, July and August. Rev. 2005.

Section 2. Special meetings may be called by the Commander of Kadosh as he may determine and notice thereof shall designate the time and place. No business shall be enacted at a special meeting except as specified in the notice. The publication in the Kitsap Sun, the Valley Web Site (<a href="http://bremertonvalleysr.org">http://bremertonvalleysr.org</a>), or E-mail and /or in a printed schedule of events shall constitute and official notice. Rev. 2005.

#### Article III. Officers Election/Installation

Section 1. The officers shall be as provided for in the Ceremonies of Installation and shall be elected and appointed annually. Rev. 2005

Section 2. The election of Officers in the Council of Kadosh shall be held on the first Wednesday in January. Rev. 2005

Section 3. The installation of all four Bodies of the Scottish Rite shall be held on a Wednesday within thirty days of election at a joint Installation. Rev. 2005.

### Article IV. Fees and Dues

Section 1. The established fee for the degrees in the Council of Kadosh shall be forty (\$40.00) dollars. No fee shall be charged for Affiliation.

Section 2. The annual dues for each member shall be eight (\$8.00) dollars per year, except those members who have purchased a Life Membership, or those who are Fifty Year Members, in which case, they are relieved from further payment of dues, but not assessments.

Section 3. The annual dues of each member of the Council of Kadosh are payable in advance on or before the First (1<sup>st</sup>) day of January of each year. A members dues if not paid on or before that date shall become delinquent. Rev. 2007.

#### Article V. Amendments

# Article VI. Lodge Council

Section 1. A committee of eleven (11) members of the Scottish Rite Valley consisting of the Presiding Officer and the Senior Warden or his equivalent of each from the Lodge of Perfection, Chapter of Rose Croix, Council of Kadosh, Consistory, Secretary, Treasurer and the Chairman of the Advisory Committee in the Valley of Bremerton shall compose the Lodge Council. It shall co-ordinate the activities of the Rite. They shall meet monthly or more often when the occasion demands, except in the months of June and July, by call of the presiding chairman. The Almoner shall be requested to attend, but without a vote. Rev. 2005.

Section 2. The Presiding Chairman shall call all scheduled and Special Meetings and shall notify all members as to the time and place of all meetings. The Chairmanship responsibility shall rotate calendar quarter. When the Council Meeting falls within the following quarters the chairmanship is as follows:

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# Article VII. Finance

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Section 2. All regular and necessary expenditures such as rent, meal, salaries and similar expenditures in connection with the operation of the bodies of the Scottish Rite in Bremerton may be authorized by a quorum of the Lodge of Perfection members present at any Stated Meeting.

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# By-Laws Bremerton Consistory

#### Article I. Name

Section 1. This Lodge shall be know as Bremerton Consistory.

#### Article II. Meetings

Section 1. The stated Meeting shall be held in the Masonic Temple located at 878 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Bremerton Washington on the first Wednesday at least once in three months at 7:30 P.M. Except during the months of June and July and August. Rev. 2005.

Section 2. Special meetings may be called by the Master of Kadosh as he may determine and notice thereof shall designate the time and place. No business shall be enacted at a special meeting except as specified in the notice. The publication in the Kitsap Sun, the Valley Web Site (<a href="http://bremertonvalleysr.org">http://bremertonvalleysr.org</a>), or E-mail and /or in a printed schedule of events shall constitute and official notice. Rev. 2005.

#### Article III. Officers Election/Installation

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Section 2. The election of Officers in the Consistory shall be held on the first Wednesday in January. Rev. 2005

Section 3. The installation of all four Bodies of the Scottish Rite shall be held on a Wednesday within thirty days of election at a joint Installation. Rev. 2005.

#### Article IV. Fees and Dues

Section 1. The established fee for the degrees in the Consistory shall be forty (\$40.00) dollars. No fee shall be charged for Affiliation.

Section 2. The annual dues for each member shall be five (\$5.00) dollars per year, except those members who have purchased a Life Membership, or those who are Fifty Year Members, in which case, they are relieved from further payment of dues, but not assessments.

Section 3. The annual dues of each member of the Council of Kadosh are payable in advance on or before the First (1<sup>st</sup>) day of January of each year. A members dues if not paid on or before that date shall become delinquent. Rev. 2007.

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