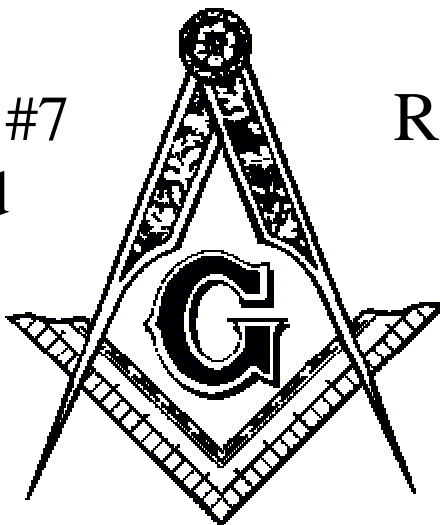


# Matanuska Lodge #7 Free and Accepted Masons of Alaska

1022 South Cobb Street  
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# Reflections from the East

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\*\*\*\*\* Special Edition \*\*\*\*\*  
(Installation Season)

**B**rethren, On 20 October Tanana #3 in Fairbanks hosted a one day ritual class for 16 candidates from several lodges, some of which were entered that morning while others joined the ceremony later to be passed and raised, all being declared Master Mason's at the end of the day. The degree work was excellent with a very fine lunch at mid-day. Matanuska #7 had one candidate present; John Paul Jones, the son of WB C. Paul Jones PM (deceased) received all three degree's becoming our newest member. This method of ritual, although controversial, may become the wave of the future, as it appears that it is not only easier to get willing candidates, but also to assemble a degree team.

At our October stated meeting one petition was read, and another read and balloted on with an affirmative vote, both of which were for affiliation. We also had a visitor who asked for a petition for the degrees and a couple of Masons asked for petitions to affiliate. Hopefully all will be read and balloted on in the near future.

Fraternally,  
W M Larry D. Wright

**R**ecent Past: At the November stated meeting of Matanuska #7, WB Lee Seagondollar was elected to be the our Master for the year 2002. The officers for 2002 will be:

Worshipful Master	W Lee Seagondollar
Senior Warden	James Summers
Junior Warden	Ken Denny
Senior Deacon	W Roger Hansen
Junior Deacon	Jacky Carl
Treasurer	W Larry Wright
Secretary	W Stan Woodin
Senior Steward	Melvin Jones
Junior Steward	Ronald Polestra

Marshal	Jerry Arthur
Chaplain	W Jerry Pendergrass
Tyler	TBA

Fraternally  
W Lee Seagondollar



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**Brother Alaskan Masons, if you're ever in Michigan, We would be honored to have you visit our Lodge!**

**Mat Su Shrine Club**  
**The Second Saturday of Every Month**  
**9:00 AM, Masonic Temple**  
**William Goodwin Jr., President**  
**(907) 376-1274**

**N**ear Future: The December stated meeting of Matanuska Lodge #7 will be at 7:30 PM on December 4, 2001.

**December Stated Meeting**

Dinner will be served at 6:30 before the stated meeting. Please come and share in the fellowship.

An open installation of Officers for Delta-White Center Lodge No. 172 of the Free and Accepted Masons of

Washington will be held on November 24th, 2001 at 7:00 P.M. at the Delta Masonic Hall, 13034 41st Ave. S., Tukwila, Washington. There will be fellowship in the dining hall at 6:00 P.M. and refreshments following the installation. Paul R. Dean Jr. is the Master Elect.

Eagle River #13 will hold their installation of officers at the Elks Club in Eagle River on 26 November at 6:00 PM with a potluck after the ceremony. Eagle River members will supply the potluck. Warren Frigon is the Master Elect.

Iditarod #20 will hold their installation of officers at the Matanuska Masonic Temple in Palmer at 3:00 PM on December 1, with a full Dinner following. Eldon Jenkins is the Master Elect.

Matanuska #7 will hold its installation of officers on December 8, at the Matanuska Masonic Temple in Palmer at 11:00 AM with refreshments after the ceremony. WB Lee Seagondollar PM is the Master Elect.

The MatSu Valley Chapter of the Alaska Council for the Blind will hold a meeting at the Matanuska Masonic Temple on Sunday, December 9, 2001 at 2:30 P.M.

*Mat Su Chapter Order of DeMolay*  
**The Second and Fourth Wednesday**  
**7:00 P.M., Palmer Masonic Temple**  
**Max VanLue, Master Counselor**  
**907-892-3422**  
**Charlie Phipps, Scribe**  
**907-376-4694**

**C**losing Thoughts: Request for feedback. This is the last edition of "Reflections from the East" for this year. I started this newsletter last year when I was Master of the Lodge and thus the title. I will continue to publish the newsletter, but I wish to know what the readers like about it (and what you would like changed). Please take a moment to fill out the attached survey form and return it to me with your thoughts.

W John "Bo" Cline, editor



**Palmer Assembly No. 7**  
**International Order of Rainbow for**  
**Girls**

**The First and Third Friday**  
**7:00 P.M., Palmer Masonic Temple**  
**Lanita James, Mother Advisor**  
**907-376-3957**  
**Beth Cline, Rainbow Board Chairman**  
**907-745-2011**

## Light

**Heal.** A technical Masonic term which signifies to make valid or legal. Hence one who has received a degree in an irregular manner or from incompetent authority is not recognized until he has been healed. The precise mode of healing depends on circumstances. If the Lodge which conferred the degree was clandestine, the whole ceremony of initiation would have to be repeated. If the authority which conferred the degree was only irregular, and the question was merely a technical one of legal competence, it has been supposed that it was only necessary to exact an obligation of allegiance, or in other words to renew the covenant.

*From: An Encyclopedia of Freemasonry and Its Kindred Sciences, by Albert G. Mackey, M.D., 33°, The Masonic History Co., New York, 1913.*