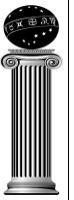




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Newsletter of Cedar City Lodge #35 F&AM, Cedar City Utah

"Making Good Men Better"

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Upcoming Events:

Stated Meeting
Thursday 4th, 7pm

Meet-up Night / Pot Luck
Thursday 18th, 6:00pm

Easter
Sunday 21st

Need a ride to Lodge?
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What's Happening – What's New

We'd like to thank everyone who participated in our pot-luck dinner this past month, and once again we had a great turnout with lots of good food and fellowship! We've also had several interested men coming up and getting to know everyone and finding out more about the fraternity. The dinners have been a great success for our lodge, and we hope they will continue to be enjoyed by everyone!

We want to extend a special Thank You to Bro. Boyd Matheson and his lady Debra for all their hard work and time spent on our monthly dinners, as well as helping clean and maintain the Lodge building on several occasions. It has been a pleasure to get to know them and have them with us these past few years, and although they will be greatly missed, we wish them the very best as they move back to Idaho to be with family.

We extend a hearty Congratulations to Bro. Jacob Richter and welcome him as our newest Master Mason! We also extend a thank you to our Brothers from St. George Lodge #33 who traveled and helped us present the degree – it was a wonderful night of Masonry for all in attendance!

For those who have not yet signed up, a reminder that the GrandView online communications system is up and running for Utah – please visit <http://ut.grandview.systems>, click on "member portal" and you will be walked through the registration process. If you have any questions or need any assistance, please don't hesitate to ask!

Fraternally,
John Adams PM, Secretary



The Masonic Lamb

In operative Freemasonry, an apron was worn by operative masons to preserve their garments from stain. In speculative Freemasonry, the apron reminds us that we must keep ourselves away from moral defilement; or in the more figurative language as read in the Holy Scripture; we must keep our garments white and keep ourselves unspotted from the world. **James 1:21, 26-27** - "Lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness... If anyone among you thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his own heart, this one's religion is useless. Pure and undefiled religion before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their trouble, and to keep oneself unspotted from the world."

In Ancient Craft Masonry, the Lamb is the symbol of innocence; thus in the instructions of the First Degree: "In all ages the Lamb has been deemed an emblem of innocence." Hence it is required that a Freemason's Apron should be made of lambskin. In the advanced Degrees, and in the Degrees of chivalry (Knights Templar), as in Christian iconography, or illustration, the lamb is a symbol of Jesus Christ. The introduction of this Christian symbolism of the lamb comes from the expression of Saint John the Baptist, who exclaimed, on seeing Jesus, "Behold the Lamb of God"; The lamb is a symbol of Christ; the cross, of His passion; and the banner of His victory over death and hell.

Long before the Knights Templar, Freemasonry, and even Christianity, itself, existed, we repeatedly read of the sacrificial lamb throughout the Holy Scriptures, beginning in Exodus. Exodus is the second book as found in first the Torah, and later, in the Old Testament. The Book of Exodus was written by Moses who lived approximately 1500 years before Christ. **Exodus 12:21**: (from the Torah) "Then, Moses called for all the elders of Israel, and said unto them: "Draw out and take you lambs according to your families, and kill the passover lamb." **Exodus 12:21**: (from the King James Bible) "Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel, and said unto them, Draw out and take you a lamb according to your families, and kill the passover." The name "Passover" refers to the fact that God "passed over" the houses of the Jews when he was slaying the firstborn of Egypt. For those of the Christian faith, the lamb is a symbol of Jesus Christ and is celebrated at Easter. For those of the Jewish faith, the lamb is a symbol of God's mercy and is celebrated each Spring of the year with a special seder (a dinner or feast).

Like many other Masonic symbols, the Masonic lamb is a symbol which has been brought down to us from the Holy Scriptures. It represents purity in all forms...physically, mentally and spiritually.

-Excerpts from an article found at: www.masonic-lodge-of-education.com

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 St. George #33 Stated 7pm	4 Cedar City #35 Stated 7pm	5	6 York Rite St. George
7	8	9	10	11	12	13 OES #20 Stated 11am
14 Palm Sunday	15	16	17	18 Pot Luck 6pm	19 Good Friday	20 Passover
21 Easter Sunday	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

* Please check the website for updated events: www.cedarcitylodge.org/calendar.php

* Also find us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/cedarcitylodge