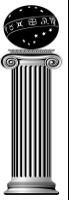




# In Search of Light



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

"Making Good Men Better"

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## Upcoming Events:

Stated Meeting  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup>, 7pm

Flag Day  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup>

Father's Day  
Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>

Meet-up Night / Pot Luck  
Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>, 6pm

Need a ride to Lodge?  
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## Being a Father and a Freemason

Even though we are admonished as an EA that Freemasonry should not interfere with our family duties, I think you'd be hard pressed to find a member that has never spent a good bit more time at Lodge than his wife or kids would like. Finding balance between our Masonic and family duties and obligations can be extremely difficult, and this seems to be a constant topic on Masonic pages, forums, and websites. While every man must find that balance for himself, and it is no brother's place to tell another how to divide or spend his time, it is important that we do take a few steps back from time to time to examine whether or not we have been rightly dividing our time, or if our 24 inch gauge has become skewed.

While I have decided to be more selective in my Masonic activities, I am convinced that Freemasonry has made me a better man, husband and father. Our fraternity has given me the tools to not only better myself, but to be a better father to my children. Freemasonry instructs us to be thoughtful, inquisitive, to be moral and upright in our dealings with others, and it teaches us to not only strive to better ourselves, but to also better those around us and society at large. These are extremely valuable lessons for a father to pass along to a child.

Freemasonry also allows me to spend time with men who help me be the best man that I can be, my brethren constantly challenge and support me, and my brethren have also become an important part in my children's lives. I also believe that Freemasonry is a vehicle that I can use to build and pass my legacy on with. One of the main reasons for me initially joining the fraternity, was that both of my grandfathers were members, so I wanted to do something that would help me connect with them. Although they have both passed, one prior to me joining, I can't help but feel a familial tie while performing ritual, or when I'm simply studying ritual late at night.

Above all for my children, I want to leave the legacy of a man who tried to be the best man that he could be, a man that loved his wife and his children, a man who was good and true to his friends and those in need, and a man that worked hard to help others. Essentially, I want to be remembered as a good father, and a good Freemason, and I'm glad that those two pivotal pieces of my life help refine and sharpen each other.

~ Wor. Jason E. Marshall, Lodge Veritas No. 556 – Norman, OK

## What's Happening – What's New

We had another enjoyable pot-luck dinner this past month, and a big thank you to Bro. Ben Jordan and his Lady for providing the main dishes. It was well attended, and we thank everyone for their time and efforts in making these dinners so successful. We look forward to next month!

Our thanks as well to Wor. Bro. Neal Lundberg for the continual work and upkeep he does for our building. Several projects have been completed in and around the building this past year, and we have several more things upcoming that we would like to get done. With the weather finally improving, we're asking anyone who is able to take a few hours and pitch in if possible – more will be discussed at our Stated Meeting, or feel free to contact me if you have ideas or would like to organize a service project.

Our congratulations go to Wor. Bro. Chris Young, who just completed his year as the Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Utah. Wor. Bro. Charles Young continues to serve in the Grand Chapter, and Chris and Charles both serve in the Grand Commandery for the upcoming year. We've had several members of our lodge serve in grand positions in the Utah York Rite over the years, and we are proud to have them represent us!

~Wor. John Adams, PM Secretary



## June 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 York Rite 9am MM Degree 7pm
2	3	4	5 St George #33 Stated 7pm	6 Cedar City #35 Stated 7pm	7	8 OES #20 Stated 11am
9	10	11	12	13	14 Flag Day	15
16 Father's Day	17	18	19	20 Pot-luck 6pm	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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\* Please check the website for updated events: [www.cedarcitylodge.org/calendar.php](http://www.cedarcitylodge.org/calendar.php)

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