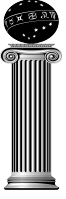


In Search of Light



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

"Making Good Men Better"

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Upcoming Events:

February 2015:

OES/Lodge Dinner
Saturday 28th, 4 pm

March 2015:

Stated Meeting
Thursday 5th, 7 pm

Meetup Night
Thursday 19th, 6 pm

Need a ride to Lodge?
Call 435-559-2559

Master's Minute

Since joining Freemasonry in 2011, I am continually finding myself trying to learn and absorb as much as I can about all aspects of the fraternity. I've found lots of information on the web, I have a shelf full of books, I've listened to a few podcasts and viewed quite a few YouTube videos. But, I'm recently reminded that one of the best sources of information available to us as Mason's is our fellow Lodge Brethren. Since everyone learns and interprets things differently, we can gain insight from each other and see things that we normally might not have considered in our own studies. I have thoroughly enjoyed both of the educational features we've had thus far this year at our Stated Meeting, because I've gained some insight into each subject that I previously hadn't considered. My thanks to those who have volunteered thus far, and I excitedly await the knowledge and light that will be forthcoming to our Lodge.

~John Adams, WM

What's New

Our principal officers recently returned from the Utah Grand Lodge 143rd Annual Communications held in Salt Lake City. It was a very enjoyable experience, and a humbling opportunity to be able to participate in the meetings. Our hearty congratulations go to our new MWGM Bro. Gerald J. Everett, (Jerry) along with all the other Grand Lodge officers who were elected and appointed to serve this upcoming year. We look forward to working with them!

One of my goals this year is to participate as a lodge in the Master Builder Program that is offered by the Grand Lodge. Not only will it help us grow and strengthen our own Lodge from within, it also presents us with many opportunities to work together with other Lodge's, as well as making ourselves better known in our own community. Of course it will require some work, some time, and some participation, but I'm confident it will be an enjoyable experience for our Lodge. There's actually a lot the required items that we're already doing, so we might as well make something of it! You can view the program requirements on the Grand Lodge website, www.utahgrandlodge.org, and if you have questions, suggestions, or ideas feel free to contact me.

Educational: The Eternal Quest

The average Mason, as well as the modern student of Masonic ideals, little realizes the cosmic obligation he takes upon himself when he begins his search for the sacred truths of Nature as they are concealed in the ancient and modern rituals. He must not lightly regard his vows, and if he would not bring upon himself years and ages of suffering he must cease to consider Freemasonry solely as a social order only a few centuries old. He must realize that the ancient mystic teachings as perpetuated in the modern rites are sacred, and that powers unseen and unrecognized mold the destiny of those who consciously and of their own free will take upon themselves the obligations of the Fraternity.

Freemasonry is not a material thing: it is a science of the soul; it is not a creed or doctrine but a universal expression of the Divine Wisdom. The coming together of medieval guilds or even the building of Solomon's temple as it is understood today has little, if anything, to do with the true origin of Freemasonry, for Masonry does not deal with personalities. In its highest sense, it is neither historical nor archaeological, but is a divine symbolic language perpetuating under certain concrete symbols the sacred mysteries of the ancients. Only those who see in it a cosmic study, a life work, a divine inspiration to better thinking, better feeling, and better living, with the spiritual attainment of enlightenment as the end, and with the daily life of the true Mason as the means, have gained even the slightest insight into the true mysteries of the ancient rites.

~Excerpt from THE LOST KEYS OF FREEMASONRY by MANLY P. HALL, available in the Digital Library section of our website: www.cedarcitylodge.org/library.php

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 St George #33 Stated 7pm	5 Cedar City #35 Stated 7pm	6	7 York Rite St. George
8 Daylight Savings	9	10	11	12	13	14 OES #20 11am
15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19 Meetup Night 6pm	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

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