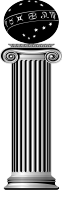


In Search of Light



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

"Making Good Men Better"

March 2017



Worshipful Master
Chris Young, PM
435-691-1957

Secretary
John Adams, PM
435-590-3867
cedarcitylodge@gmail.com

Upcoming Events:

Stated Meeting
Thursday 2nd, 7pm

Meetup Night
Thursday 16th, 5:30pm

St. Patrick's Day
Friday 17th

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

Master's Minute

Brethren,

How often do you find yourself so overwhelmed with life and it's necessary activities that you feel you have no time or energy to take on anything else? However, sometimes it's the little things that we can sneak in that make the big differences in the end. Imagine if everyone in the world would only do just a little, what a difference it could make!

Take recycling, for example. It is successful because a lot of people are each doing a little. If we all took the position that what we could do would be too little, we wouldn't be experiencing the progress we are today. Similarly, when you first begin a project, you may only have enough time to do a little. Over time, however, what may first appear to be small efforts will multiply and end up being significant. If investors and scientists just gave up because they didn't have enough time, or didn't have all the answers, imagine all the conveniences or advances in medicine we would not have today.

There are several places in our journey as Freemasons that this wisdom can be applied, be it to our ritual work, our independent study, or our overall end goals and desires. There are a lot of things that can seem so totally overwhelming that we are hesitant or frightened to even start, but if we aren't willing to do at least a little, we'll never be able to experience the rewards available to us in the end.

"Nobody makes a greater mistake than he who does nothing because he could only do a little." ~Sir Edmond Burke

Sincerely and Fraternally, Chris Young WM



Brother Ludwig van Beethoven

"Don't only practice your art, but force your way into its secrets; for it and knowledge can raise men to the divine."

The Perfect Points of our Entrance

In the lecture of the Entered Apprentice Degree, we are taught about the perfect points of our entrance, which are represented by the four Cardinal Virtues; Temperance, Prudence, Fortitude, and Justice. Of course the names of these virtues are all we are taught at that time. We are then told that the explanations are monitorial, and that we are expected to make ourselves thoroughly familiar with them at our earliest convenience. Over the next four issues of our newsletter, we will explore these four cardinal virtues and their relationship to the craft. (These explanations are taken from an oration given by Most Worshipful Allen W. Record PGM of Masons in Utah.)

Temperance

Temperance, as defined by our Monitor, is that due restraint upon our affections and passions which renders the body tame and governable, and frees the mind from allurements of vice. The lesson that temperance teaches us is that of knowing our limits, and that of moderation. To the individual the easy lesson that can be taken is that of limiting or moderating our intake of alcohol. But, the lesson applies to us in many different areas of our lives, including tempering our passions, our thoughts, and all of our actions. The Lodge, as any organization, can also apply this lesson in temperance by operating within it's own boundaries or by-laws, and for us, we could also easily apply the lesson to the investigation and initiation of new members.

March 2017

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

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