



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 2nd, 7pm

Mother's Day
Sunday 12th

Meet-up Night / Pot Luck
Thursday 16th, 6:00pm\

MM Degree
Thursday 23rd 7:00pm

Memorial Day
Monday 27th

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What's Happening – What's New

We extend a hearty welcome to our newest Entered Apprentice, Bro. Samuele Colombo. Bro. Colombo hails from Italy and is here attending SUU. We've enjoyed getting to know him these past months, and we're excited to be a part of his journey in Freemasonry and welcome him to the fraternity!

A big thank you to Wor. Bro. Neal Lundberg for preparing the delicious ham for our Pot Luck dinner this past month, and our thanks as well to everyone who was able to attend and share some wonderful food! These monthly dinners have been well attended and have been very successful. We're always on the lookout for new ideas, and if anyone would like to take charge of the main dish one month just let myself or Wor. Master Charlie know. We would also like to thank Wor. Bro. Ed Nelson and the members of Golgotha Commandery #7 Knights Templar for presenting their annual Easter Observance following the dinner. It was a very nice program and a wonderful way to lead into the Easter weekend!

Several members have also given of their time these past few months in doing some much needed maintenance and cleaning of the Lodge building and grounds, and we express our gratitude to everyone who has pitched in however they could. With summer quickly approaching there are some more projects we are hoping to accomplish, and would be most grateful to anyone who is willing to pitch in. If you have noticed anything in need of repair or that needs attention please let us know.

Lastly, our best wishes go to Bro. Travis Daignault and his lady Stefani as they are moving up north to pursue new opportunities. It is my understanding that he intends to stay a member of our Lodge, and I'm sure with his wife's family still being here in Cedar, we'll be seeing him on occasion, but we wish them both success in their endeavors!

Fraternally,
John Adams PM, Secretary

Memorial Day

Originally called Decoration Day, a day of remembrance, was established in May of 1868, 3 years after the end of the Civil War. General Logan, head of the Grand Army of the Republic, declared that this day would be May 30th and celebrated by decorating the graves of the dead soldiers with flowers. The first large observance was held at Arlington National Cemetery. After a number of speeches, service members and children made their way through the cemetery, strewing flowers on both Union and Confederate graves as they recited prayers and sang hymns.

By the end of the 1800's, "Memorial Day" celebrations were happening all over the Nation on May 30th. After WWI, the celebrations were expanded to include all service personnel from any war. Memorial Day as we know it today was declared a National Holiday by Congress and signed by President Nixon in 1971. That same act is what moved the day of remembrance to the last Monday in May.

Gen. Logan's orders for his posts to decorate graves in 1868 are as poignant today as they must have been hundreds of years ago: "with the choicest flowers of springtime, We should guard their graves with sacred vigilance. ... Let pleasant paths invite the coming and going of reverent visitors and fond mourners. Let no neglect, no ravages of time, testify to the present or to the coming generations that we have forgotten as a people, the cost of a free and undivided republic." Logan was a Master Mason from Illinois, having been raised in Mitchell Lodge No. 85, Pinckneyville, Illinois.

To ensure that America's fallen heroes are never forgotten, in December 2000, the U.S. Congress passed, and the president signed into law "The National Moment of Remembrance Act," creating the White House Commission on the National Moment of Remembrance. The commission's charter is to "Encourage the people of the United States to give something back to their country, which provides them so much freedom and opportunity."

~ An excerpt from an education written by Bro. Brian Schimian for *The Midnight Freemason*

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 St. George #33 Stated 7pm	2 Cedar City #35 Stated 7pm	3	4 York Rite St. George
5 Cinco de Mayo	6	7	8	9	10	11 OES #20 Stated 11am
12 Mother's Day	13	14	15	16 Pot Luck 6pm	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 MM Degree 7:00 pm	24	25
26	27 Memorial Day	28	29	30	31	

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