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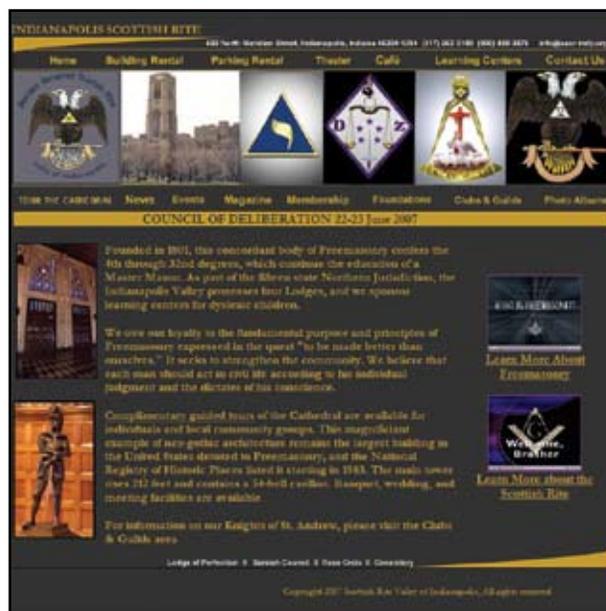
Valley Unveils New Interactive Web-site

Last month, the Indianapolis Valley placed their newly renovated web-site online that is now accessible to both members and non-members alike. More than just a "fresh coat of paint," the old site was completely discarded and re-designed from scratch by Brother Christopher S Planeaux, president of D3 Data Solutions (www.D3datasolutions.com).

Faced with an aging and declining membership, Executive Director Jeff Saunders, 33° challenged last year's Executive Committee to think creatively about how the Valley can be good stewards of the membership's dues money by disseminating information in a more timely and cost effective way. The Valley's new web-site is just one product of that proactive thinking.

A committee of Brothers Tom Beattie, Mike Klepper, Eric Seidensticker, Nathan Brindle, Jeff Saunders, 33°, Rick Purcell, 33°, and Jerry Collins, 33° was formed to give Chris some specific direction as to what the content of the new site should include. Some of Chris' most recent fraternal work includes the Grand Lodge web-site (www.indianafreemasons.com), and Indiana Masonic Home Foundation (www.imhf.org), and Speedway Lodge No 729 (www.speedwaylodge.org).

The website is comprised of several sections that may be accessed by just clicking on any title of interest across the top of the Home page.



A member can pay his dues on line, view the latest or archived issues of the *Double Eagle* magazine, order tickets for an upcoming theatre or other event, and stay up-to-date with news surrounding the Scottish Rite and 32° Learning Center for Children.

Many members have asked for ways to help inform potential new candidates for membership. The new site has two short movies that tell who we are and what we are about, along with an interactive 360° virtual tour of the building. There is also a petition that can be downloaded. Just put a potential member in front of any computer and click. There is even a Photo

Album section of many pictures.

Want to come downtown and eat lunch in the Double Eagle Cafe? The weekly menu is available on the web-site and includes coupons for food discounts.

We are excited to bring you this new enhancement to keep you abreast of all events at the Indianapolis Valley.

How to Build a Membership

I Know You

During a recent church service as the minister offered the benediction he asked everyone as they departed to introduce themselves to the persons around them. I am sure many of you have that as part of your Sunday morning experience and it is usually very routine. On this particular morning, however, as the young couple sitting in front of me turned around to greet me the young man said "I know you – you're a Mason." We exchanged a few words and determined that we previously met at Lodge and the Scottish Rite and then departed to enjoy the rest of our day. As I reflected on that experience I was struck with the oft repeated phrase that Masonry is known in the world by the conduct of the individual Mason. What kind of impression would have been created if either one of us had an unkind word or sour expression? What impression was made on other nearby worshipers who may have heard the exchange and formed an impression about the nature of the fraternal bond that existed? That comment "I know you – you're a Mason" stuck with me for several days, buoyed my spirit and made me appreciate all the more the family to which we all belong as we travel among the Craft and in the world.

What impression are you making by your conduct as an individual Mason? That impression is vital to our reputation as a fraternity. Do you project a positive image of a vibrant, exciting organization that would entice others to join us? It is easy to get bogged down in the issues and concerns of membership numbers or specific programs and those always seem to be easier to talk about than the larger and more positive aspects of the fraternity. Issues need resolutions and should be openly discussed but only within the doors of our Lodges and Valleys. No one wants to join an organization that seems more concerned with institutional matters and less concerned with the experience of the individual member. The reasons you joined the Scottish Rite are many, but most likely one of the key factors was because someone you respected asked you and you saw the benefits of joining a world-wide brotherhood that values you and your family and stands for the kinds of virtues you believe are needed in the world today. All of us should strive to project that same kind of respect and show your excitement about being a Mason to others in our circle of influence.

I know you – you're a Mason.

Jeffrey K. Saunders
Executive Director



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The Scottish Rite Foundation held their annual Community Day luncheon this Spring as community and Masonic related organizations received charitable contributions totaling \$220,000.

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Two Valley Officers 'Retire' from Active Duty



Lady Lisa and Roger VanGorden, 33° -- outgoing Thrice Potent Master along with Gary Lewis, 33° -- outgoing Commander-in-Chief -- and his Lady Barb were honored at the annual Installation of Officers dinner last month..



Roger VanGorden

by Jonathon R Elrod

Senior Warden, Adoniram Lodge of Perfection

In Freemasonry, we are surrounded by brothers. Roger VanGorden is a brother among brothers. To meet Roger is to know you have a friend, supporter, and counselor. His earnestness and sincerity are evident in the calm look in his eyes and the warm grip of his hand. When he asks about your family or work, you know his concern is genuine. The Adoniram Lodge of Perfection is blessed to have had Roger labor within its ranks.

Roger loves the fraternity with a quiet but determined passion. Having reached the heights of Masonic office, he leads foremost by example. Roger will not be found giving lofty speeches, harsh critiques, or empty platitudes. He will be found reaching out to his brothers, on the level, gently reminding us of our duties to the fraternity.

Through his example, we are inspired by the great gifts of Masonic brotherhood, the great ideals for personal development, and the great role Freemasons continue to play in our community and country.

The Valley of Indianapolis is grateful to have had Roger at the helm, and for his years of service to our Fraternity. While the torch of leadership is passed on, we know Roger will be a trusted Craftsman for many years to come. It is my honor to pen a few words about our brother, Roger VanGorden, and thank this good and faithful Mason for his labors.



Gary Lewis

by Michael A Moxley

Commander-in-Chief, Indiana Consistory

Ill Gary W (Bubba) Lewis, 33° served as Commander-in-Chief of the Indiana Consistory for 2006-07. It is safe to say that the Scottish Rite has not seen a leader like "Bubba" before.

Beginning as a Professional Clown at Murat Shrine, Gary was later appointed by to the Divan and served Murat as Potentate in 2000. His "Bring Bubba One" membership program won national acclaim and brought over 500 new members to both the Scottish Rite and the Shrine.

After his appointment to the Indiana Consistory by Ill Robert E Hancock, III, 33°, Gary was selected to Chair the Valley's membership retention and restoration program. Under his leadership the Valley officers called members who had not been active and/or were behind in payment of dues. The program was a great success as the number of demits and NPD's decreased significantly.

Gary was the first Past Potentate to later serve as an officer in the Valley- a testament to his love of and dedication to the Masonic fraternity. Gary is also a Senior DeMolay and a member of Southport Lodge No 270.

We were very fortunate that last year not "just any Clown" was our leader. We trusted "Bubba" and the Valley will be forever grateful for his leadership and service to our fraternity.



New Executive Committee for 2007-08: Gregory A Chiles, 33° - Most Wise Master; Charles W Merlau, Jr - Thrice Potent Master; Thomas B Beattie, Sr - Sovereign Prince; and, Michael A Moxley - Commander-in-Chief. Gary E Brinley - Deputy Master is pictured below. Newly-elected Trustee Dennis D Sheets is shown on the following page.

Greg Chiles, Charlie Merlau, and Tom Beattie were welcomed in last year's June edition of the *Double Eagle* and are continuing on the Executive Committee for the ensuing year. We are glad to welcome Mike Moxley and Gary Brinley as new members on the 2007-08 Executive Committee.

being 'on the floor' in degree work for every convocation since he was initiated into the Valley in 1996.



Mike Moxley



Gary Brinley

Michael A Moxley works at Maury Boyd & Associates as a communications consultant and continues as Editor of the Murat Shrine Magazine since 1998. The Murat Shrine Center has won the prestigious Dromedary Award for best Shrine Magazine in the country three times under his leadership. He is a Past Master of Calvin Prather Lodge and current Lodge Trustee.



Mike has served the Indianapolis Valley as Marion County membership chairman and as a member of the Membership Retention Committee. A ritualist at heart, Mike is proud of

Gary was raised in Ohio in 1985 and served as Worshipful Master in 1990 and was Grand Marshall in the Indiana Grand Lodge under Grand Master Jim Chesney. He currently serves as Secretary of Ellettsville #245. Gary joined the Scottish Rite Valley of Dayton in 1987 and transferred to the Indianapolis Valley. He is Chief Financial Officer of Peoples State Bank in Ellettsville.

Past Presiding Officer Elected Trustee

Dennis D Sheets

Ill Dennis (Denny) D Sheets, 33° was elected as the newest Trustee at this year's Annual Meeting held last month.

Brother Sheets is a Past Master of Centre Lodge No 23 and joined the Indianapolis Valley in the Spring 1989 class. He served as Thrice Potent Master 2002-03 and was crowned an honorary member of the Supreme Council as a 33rd degree in 2004 in Milwaukee. Brother Denny is a member of

Murat Shrine and the Royal Order of Scotland.

Denny is Vice President of Barth Electric Company. He is a Past Chairman of the Board of the Ransburg YMCA and several community organizations. He has been a Republican Precinct Committeeman since 1985. A US Air Force veteran, Denny has two sons, Matt and Chris, both members of the Valley, and one daughter.



New Officer Appointments

Dr Jon M B Porter

Dr Jon M B Porter (PhD) was recently appointed as Standard Bearer to the Indiana Consistory. He was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason by Mystic Tie Lodge No 398 in 1995. He served Mystic Tie as Worshipful Master in 2004. In 1998 he joined the Scottish Rite. He was the exemplar in the 32nd Degree.

Jon received an AB Degree in History from Wabash College. He earned his M Phil degree in Medieval History from the University of St. Andrews (Scotland) and he received a Ph D in History from the University of Nottingham (England).

Jon is currently serving as Professor of the Change and Tradition Program at Butler University and also as Adjunct Professor, School of Adult Learning, University of Indianapolis.

Jon is also a member of the Prather York Rite Bodies and is currently serving as Excellent High Priest of Prather Chapter No 157, Royal Arch Masons. As a Noble at Murat Shrine, he is the Secretary of the NexGen Unit. Since 2004 he has served as a Regional Director for the Grand Lodge Scholarship Board.

Jon is married to Inge, an attorney for the Indiana Court of Appeals, since 1997. They have one daughter, Elisabeth, who is almost two and are expecting a second child.



Curtis E Shirley

The Adoniram Lodge of Perfection is pleased to announce the appointment of Curtis E Shirley as Captain of the Guard. He is a Past Master of Mystic Tie Lodge No 398 and active in the degree work at the Scottish Rite.

From 1989 to 1991 Curtis was associate editor of Indiana Law Review as well as President of Phi Delta Phi International Legal Fraternity. In 1991 he received a Doctor of Jurisprudence, Summa Cum Laude, at Indiana Univ.

Curtis earned a Bachelor of Music Education, from University of Evansville in 1983. In 1985, Master of Music in Trumpet Performance and Literature, Indiana University at Bloomington.

Curtis served as an Officer, Indiana University Student Bar Association and was Chief Justice, Indiana University Student Senate Court of Appeals; Chairman of the Board, Extended Hand Prison Ministries; Chairman of the Board, Indianapolis Legal Aid Society; Chairman, National Estate and Trust Litigation Institute.

Curtis is married and has four children, ages 1, 3, 5 & 7.

We are indeed pleased to have such an energetic and experienced young man such as Curtis E Shirley as an officer in the Adoniram Lodge of Perfection.

A Disappointed Great Uncle

Quite often as I visit with our members, I ask the simple question; "Why did you become a Scottish Rite Mason?" The answers I receive are quite remarkable and sometimes very touching.



Richard D. Hull

More often than not, the answer refers to a family member or close friend who was the influence. A brother told me recently the greatest wish of his great-uncle was for him to become a Mason. Unfortunately, due to extenuating circumstances the great-uncle passed away prior to the Brother receiving the degrees.

Each one of us has had that one special person who has been an influence on our lives. Has it ever occurred to you that you could be such an influence on someone that they aspire to be like you?

Take a close look in your mirror. What you are looking at is

someone's impression of Masonry! We should strive to be men who are dedicated to practicing the principles of our Fraternity in our daily lives and especially with our relationships to one another.

The ever-changing world in which we live needs this example of men who are dedicated to the great moral precepts of our Fraternity and to the preservation of human dignity. I don't believe there has been a greater need for men who practice true brotherhood, and you will not find a greater opportunity to increase your service to mankind than in the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite.

I am confident you know of at least one Master Mason who is diligently searching for "further light". Why don't you ask him today to become a member of the finest Scottish Rite Valley in the world where the beauty and pageantry of its degrees reach the very heart and soul of everyone who has seen them?

Seeking Membership Field Director

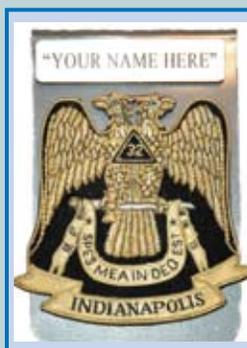
As part of the direct marketing membership program approved by the Executive Committee, Indianapolis Valley is seeking an individual to fill the staff position of Field Director of Membership Recruitment and Retention. This is a full time position requiring significant travel to solicit Master Masons to become members of the Scottish Rite and assist the volunteer membership development team to more effectively communicate the message of Scottish Rite Freemasonry to potential and existing members.

Candidate must be a member of the Scottish Rite, enthusiastic about the fraternity, be familiar with the structure and leadership of the Scottish Rite and affiliated fraternal organizations, and have advanced communication skills. Duties will include planning and executing events designed to solicit Master Masons to become members, developing appropriate communication on the benefits of membership and establishing and maintaining relationships with leadership of Masonic organizations at all levels.

Compensation consists of a modest base salary plus significant incentives depending on success level of recruitment efforts. Benefits include insurance, retirement, and vacation.

For a complete job description and additional information, contact Jeffrey K. Saunders, Executive Director, at the Valley office or e-mail to jsaunders@aaasr-indy.org. Resume and cover letter are due not later than July 1, 2007.

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Campaign for the Cathedral

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*Mark Dill
Director of
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The Cathedral Foundation is offering the opportunity to memorialize a special loved one by purchasing a tree on the Cathedral grounds. For a donation of \$1,000 a tree will be assigned a number and plaque and each donor will be recognized on the bronze plaque in the Hall of Honor. This contribution can be made in cash, stocks, or some other property. A three year pledge would be acceptable as well and recognition will be made upon completion of the pledge. If there is someone special in your life you would like to recognize in perpetuity, this would be an excellent manner to accomplish that goal and also help ensure the preservation of the Scottish Rite Cathedral at the same time.

If you are interested in taking advantage of this opportunity, please fill out the enclosed information and mail this page along with your check to:

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Library Adds New Tom Brokaw Volume

The Scottish Rite library is a 2,400 volume reading and research library for exclusive use of our members. Librarian Jim Granneman has announced that the new book by Tom Brokaw entitled "An Album of Memories" has been added to the collection and is available for check-out. This book contains letters written from service men and women and their families. It is a great companion to "The Greatest Generation" and "The Greatest Generation Speaks" also by Brokaw and available in the library. Come browse the collection when you are in the Cathedral or have Brother Granneman assist you during his office hours on Wednesdays of each week.

Miller Appointed

Congratulations to Brother Jerald (Jerry) L Miller who was recently appointed to the non-progressive position of Assistant Master of Ceremonies in the Saraiah Council Princes of Jerusalem line at the Indianapolis Valley. Brother Jerry has been very active in the degrees presented during our twice annual Convocations.



Jerry is an Indianapolis attorney for the past 34 years and specializes in Family Law, Wills, Trusts, and Estate Administration.

Worshipful Master of Charles F Frank No 760, Brother Jerry joined the Valley in 1974 and is very active in many facets of Masonry. He is married to Cindy for 37 years and they have three children and two grandchildren.

Trustees Approve Plumbing Work

The Trustees approved an additional phase of plumbing replacement for the hot water lines throughout the building. This is a major project in that many of the 50 plus year old lines are badly corroded. The price of copper has stabilized and the timing was such that now is the time to begin this work. Re-upholstered furniture has now been returned for the 2nd floor lobby – please take a look at it when you are in the building. Also watch for installation of new curtains in the theater and banquet hall.



Our own 32° Children's Learning Center celebrated student graduation on May 20th when 13 students received their certificates. The children proudly hold their Certificates of Achievement and are pictured with members of the Board of Governors. Chairman Carl Culmann is in center. (Usually taking everyone else's picture, it's very unusual to get Carl captured on film.)



These two brothers were caught "fishing" for golf balls at this year's Spring Golf Outing held on April 30th. I'm told they weren't looking for anything they lost.

"A Word With You"



Giving the Charitable Gift of Love

by Randy L Seipel
Indianapolis Rose Croix

After our Spring Convocation I sat and reflected about the lessons of the 18th Degree. Before we learn the New Law and the Lost Word is found the



candidate receives instruction in three important lessons. He learns about Faith, Hope and Charity or Love.

Faith in God, in our fellow man and in

ourselves. Hope in good over evil, hope in personal happiness and peace throughout the world. These two lessons are essential in our daily walk through life and in our walk with our Fraternity and with God. Faith in God is the very foundation that Masonry is built upon. Hope in eternal life sustains us in our



troublesome journey in life. These first two lessons while they are deep and vast in scope are easy for me to wrap my heart and mind around.

Charity, for me personally has taken more thought, patience and prayer to learn and put into to practice. As the Master Of Ceremonies recaps these lessons the candidate learns from him that Charity is more that just monetary

support. I know for myself personally it took a long time for this lesson to sink into my head and heart. Giving a donation to a worthy cause is relatively

simple and painless. Writing a check, making a cash donation, even placing your charitable contribution on your credit card are easy and convenient ways to support your favorite charity. While monetary support is vital to charitable organizations we are reminded in the 18th degree that true charity goes beyond the giving of financial support.

Through the power of prayer we can harvest an inexhaustible power from above.

We are informed that charity is respect for each other's personalities. This can be a struggle at times. I know that I have to continually strive to find the good in



people and in their personalities. If you have ever read Pastor Rick Warren's book *The Purpose Driven Life* you will learn about people termed "EGR" or extra grace required. Some people are hard to like and we must work at building relationships with them. When we are involved in an organization such as ours, with brothers from every different type of background there are inevitable instances where personalities may conflict. When this happens to me I have to remind myself of my obligations and step back a little and remember that we are all different but we share many common

Charity has taken me more thought, patience, and prayer to learn...

bonds within our Masonic ties. We must strive to reach out to all of our Brothers and make each one feel loved and welcomed wherever we may meet.

Another aspect of charity is pity for the suffering. Pity is easy to practice

from afar but much more difficult when we are in the midst of someone in need of physical or emotional charity. Through out my life when I have been in a difficult situation such as illness or death of a loved one, losing a house to a fire, job stress and other difficulties. Never have I felt more love and understanding then when a Brother has stopped me and told me that they have been praying

for me. Such a simple gesture and like a heartfelt prayer for them during your daily applications to the Grand Architect is one of the greatest acts of Charity or Love that can be given. Remember we are obligated to remember a Brother in all our applications to Deity. Through the power of prayer we can harvest an inexhaustible power supply from above.

Throughout the short years that Jesus of Nazareth walked on earth he became known not for building great structures or collecting large sums of money for charitable purposes. His fame was spread by his charitable acts of love and kindness to the poor, sick, distressed and low of society. Through his love the blind could see, the lame walk and the diseased cured. Jesus gave the ultimate gift of Charity or Love when he died for our sins. By this example we can give to our Brothers the charitable gift of love, understanding and prayer.

Come to our next Convocation and re-experience the 18th Degree. Re-Discover the lost word and the New Law.

In His Holy Name.



Coming "Rite" Up

Fireworks Party

Wednesday, July 4, 2007 – 6:30 PM

The Scottish Rite will again repeat its July 4th Fireworks Party for members and their guests. The day starts with a \$10 (adults) \$5 (children) Cook-out on the west parking lot beginning at 6:30 pm and follows up with a beautiful Fireworks display in downtown Indianapolis. Free parking. Rest room facilities available in The Cathedral. No tickets are required.



This year's Spring Golf Outing held at Saddlebrook Golf Course in Indianapolis was organized by Chariman Dennis Coltart. 33° (not pictured). Temperatures were high and scores were low for this relaxing event.

Fall Masonic League



All Master Masons invited to bowl in Shrine Mens 5:45pm League at Western Bowl 30-week season begins August 30, 2007. For more information, please call Mike Smith at 317-997-1844 or e-mail him at mjs66@daimlerchrysler.com.

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Through the Cathedral Window

On the Back Nine of Life

by Jerry B Collins, 33°, Editor

Well, gosh darn it, it's happened again . . . another birthday rolled around and my speedometer reads double nickels. I don't feel old, in fact, I'm probably in the best shape of my life (for the shape I'm in). All those doctor's warnings throughout the years have changed all of our 'meat and potatoes' upbringing to a more healthy lifestyle. I read in the paper recently that 2005 witnessed the beginning of a decline in heart-related diseases . . . so *something* must be working.

As I continue to age (like a fine wine?), I find myself getting more philosophical about life . . . perhaps this happens to all of us at one time or another. I was listening to my pastor making an analogy to golf -- something about him now playing on the back nine. The congregation laughed, but it got me thinking.

There seems to be three fairly distinct phases in one's life: learning, applying what we learned, and trying to figure out if we applied what we learned in a meaningful way.

Most of us have gone through 12 years of education, and some have gone on to higher levels of learning in order to practice specialized skills professionally. After another 4-8 years these skills are applied in a way that a living is earned and 'success' is measured -- either by the size of a paycheck, or the house one lives in, or their standing in the community.

As I am undoubtedly well into this transition to the back nine in life, I find myself pondering things that have little to do with success (Phase 2) but more to do with a life of significance and purpose. Have I helped people to have a better life? At my death, will my life's balance sheet show more than just dollars and cents when I stand before St. Peter?

At last month's Deacons meeting at my church, someone gave a report on a seminar they attended about being "externally focused."

They were talking about getting out into the community with works of mission. All throughout the New Testament, Christ traveled great distances to be amongst the people where they lived and worked. I think only once in the Bible is there a story of Jesus teaching inside a church. It has been said that Sunday mornings are the most segregated time in America because everyone is in church. We need to meet the misery where it lives in people's lives and that is the Mission field whether that is in downtown Indianapolis or in Guatemala. This is the significance of becoming more externally focused.

I know many of you have been active in Mission work for your church. Whether it's sorting donated clothes for the needy, or building wheel-chair accessible wooden ramps, or going overseas to help where you can, many feel that they got more out of a mission trip than what they gave. It can be a very humbling experience.

The Scottish Rite teaches many great lessons to our members by way of allegories twice each year in our beautiful Cathedral. One such lesson is the 12° of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite entitled *Grand Master Architect*. This degree teaches that the Mason, as he learns to use the tools and instruments of his trade and skill, also learns to contemplate the many aspects of life and deal with them as a child of God, steadily advancing to those heights of experience which we call perfection.

As I continue down the fairway with life's birdies and bogies, I think it must be better to be ankle deep in action than neck deep in knowledge. It's time to apply the lessons learned in life, not for financial or worldly gain, but for the benefit of helping our fellow man.

Thus was man formed for social and active life, the noblest part of the work of God; and he that will so demean himself as not to be endeavoring to add to the common stock of knowledge and understanding, may be deemed a drone in the hive of nature, a useless member of society, and unworthy of our protection as Masons.
- Third Master Mason Lecture



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