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Sneek Preview

- July 4th Independence Day**
- July 11th Imperial Voting for Divan members –Tyled meeting via Zoom from Rawlins
- July 20th Shrine Club Board Meeting—6:00 pm
- July 22nd Simplicity307 is hosting a Texas Hold'em Tourney. Contact them if you wish to attend. RSVP ONLY
- July 18th—26th Some Frontier Days activities will still be happening. Check you local listings.

Indians are hosting duties so come out to Happy Hour on Fridays in July. Wednesday mornings the Coffee Group gathers for some good conversation. 7:00 am - 9:30 am

The Prez Sez:

With the coming of the summer months, the Masonic Bodies for the most part are going dark. That does not mean that we did not finish without a bang, maybe some would say a BOOM! I had the privilege to attend Ceremonial held in Casper. It was a pleasure to see so many Shriners in attendance. More than in years past. I was even more pleased to see ten, let me say that

again 10 FEZS on the waiting table. The largest class in recent years. With an additional 6 in the wings just waiting for minor things to happen; and it was announced that there are about 3-6 that are chomping at the bit on the western side of the state. That should make everyone's heart swell with pride. It takes more than one individual to make numbers like that happen and I thank all whom that fostered that Awesome goal.

Another two bothers will be being raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason, even better than that Both are slated to join our Beloved Shrine. I invite all Master Masons to come and witness this momentous occasion. We will be meeting at the Cheyenne Shrine club at 0930 (that is 9:30 am) and leave shortly after. Please remember to bring, sun screen, bug spray, some kinda western wear, a bagged lunch (no meals will be provided due to COVID) and beverages just in case you get thirsty. Yes, there are limitations and hurtles that we need to overcome. But for those that attended the Ceremonial you can attest that we can conduct events and still have fun while adhering to constraints. If you would like to participate in the Degree, please contact Illustrious Sir Johnny Mote or myself.

This past month we had our annual onion sale; I am so proud of every one that made this event such a huge SUCCESS. I would like to thank Illustrious Sir Tim, Illustrious Sir Mike Reed, Illustrious Sir Gregg Lutz, Nobles Carl Pappert, Cliff Spoonmore, Bob Tenny and his son Alex (he is a new EA) Kody Zubrod, (new Noble), Matt McCloud (new Noble), Adam Jones (almost a new Noble) Saturday July 11 he will be Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason. Finally, Lady Diane Tammen for the use of Underwood Flower

shop parking lot. If I forgot anyone please forgive me. They were all instrumental in the success of the selling onions down-town during Cruise Saturday nights. There were also many other unseen Nobles that busied themselves selling onions behind the scenes. As a team we achieved a fabulous goal, All onions sold in less than 10 days. That has not happened in a long time. I am still getting phone calls asking if there are any onions left. I respond proudly No, but if you give me your contact info I will make sure your are put on the pre-sale list for next year.

The club meetings are dark until September but that doesn't mean we are closed. The coffee club is still in full swing, (did you see the new chairs) Thanks to the efforts of our New Nobles Kody, Cory, and Matt. Happy Hour is still happening and we will be having Beer Brats and burgers during the summer. Come out and have fun.

If you need help let one of your friends or Noble Brothers and Ladies know if you need some assistance.

If you have any comments or ideas how to improve Our Beloved Club and the Fraternity as far as holding events or educational opportunities, please contact myself. William.zegley@yahoo.com or 307 286 5140

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From the Great Frontier!

Laramie Range Frontiersmen,

Here it is Midway through the year and the high country had snow. We are stuck at home and I'm really tired of my only social activity is going to the Super Market and counting how many folks are wearing their masks, like they should be.

Yes, we each have our opinion concerning the wearing of your mask. Whether Covide gets through the mask or not, my mask helps me keep my hands away from my face. It is known and proven that by touching someone or something with the Coronavirus on it, and then touching your face is

how you get sick. Lady Jeri and I are high risk as maybe most of you are. Ask yourself this; do you buy insurance for your car because your going to have a crash. A mask is very cheap insurance from having a crash with Covide-19.

A big welcome to the 5 new Shriners (one pending) to our Club. Nobles Scott Duncan, Lady Jennifer, Cory Guillory, Don Lewin, Lady Nancy, Matthew MacLeod, Lady Denise, and Kody Zubrod, and Lady Ruby. It sounded as if you all had a very good time up in Casper for Ceremonial. Glad to have you back home and hope to see you very soon.

Please, you are more than welcome to join any of the 4 units. If you like playing with Black Powder then the Frontiersmen is for you. We just need to find more places to touch off a round or two. All I ask is that you stay a member for at least a year. All the units are looking for new officers, but we need to give you a chance to be Shriners first and then work your way into any officer team. Talk to Noble Monty Branson or myself and we can see if you want to take the next step to be a Frontiersmen.

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Legion of Honor

I wish each of you a Happy 4th of July. I continue to hope all the members of the Legion of Honor and their families are doing well. The Shrine Club has been in the mode of slowly opening while practicing steps to keep us safe from the coronavirus. I invite you to join us on Friday Night Happy Hour and on Wednesday morning Coffee Hour, but do so only if you feel comfortable about participating.

As previous noted, Frontier Days and this year's Legion of Honor Picnic, usually held in August, have been canceled due to COVID-19.

Thanks to the efforts of Noble Randy Bigelow, the Legion of Honor has received three new petitions for membership. Nobles Cody Zubrod, Matt Macloed, and Cory Guillory have applied for membership. Chief of Staff Al Young is contacting the LOH membership (14 active) for voting on the candidates. The Chief of Staff will then prepare a "Welcome Letter" to them signed by Commander Wolverton. A formal installation will be held in the Fall when meetings are hopefully once again held.

I wish to acknowledge the death of Noble Jim Stilson last month. Noble Jim was Commander of the Legion of Honor in 1978. Our prayers are with Lady Jo Anne and family. Please also remember in your prayers, Ladies Val Guritza, Marlene Toulouse, and Beverly Lockman, and Nobles Bob Tenney, Bob

Toulouse, and Art Lockman. I also encourage you to call and talk with our Legion of Honor Members reminding them that we are thinking of them. Our Nation will weather this challenge if we all stay together.

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Don't be a stranger at the club.

Stay Happy
Chief Clown,
Tanner Luening

Around the Club

Wednesday Coffee Group

Wednesday mornings have more light these days so you can see your way to the club for a fresh cup of Joe, coffee, black bean juice, etc., plus a great, well okay, a good, donut to soak up the Go Juice (coffee).

Nobles Monty Branson & Karl Krieger

Texas Hold'm Tourney

Come one, come all by RSVP to the Texas Hold'm Card Party on July 22nd. If you don't play poker but you know of others that do. Share the word with them and have them contact Simplicity307 to reserve a place at the table.

They can be reached by email at simplicity307vendorandevent@gmail.com or call



this number 307-631-1210 to make your reservation.

Remember we have to operate under different rules with Covide-19. We cannot just show up and expect they will have another table space open. Make plans early and give them a call.

Something to Think About

The neighborhood kids had congregated in front of the Merc on Main Street, when a fire truck zoomed by. Sitting on the seat next to Mike, the Fire Chief, was a German short haired pointer.

The children fell to discussing the dogs duties in connection with the fire truck. "They use him to keep the crowds back when they go to a fire", said a five year old.

No, said another, "They carry him for good luck."

The third, a boy about six, brought the argument to an end. "They use the dog," he said firmly, "to find the fire hydrant."

Courtesy of the St. Andrew's Episcopal Church Cook Book. Stories of Atlantic City and South Pass City, WY.

Outside the Club

Korein Temple and Potentate's Schedule

Korein Temple
2020 Potentate
Ill Sir Tim Forbis

July 11th is a Temple meeting that will Zoom into Imperial Session. If you wish to attend Imperial from the comfort of WY. You will have to travel to

Rawlins so they can secure the temple for members only.

There is a Shriner's Henry Rifle Raffle in progress until January 2021. Go to the website to register for your ticket(s).

Visit ShrinersWyo.org to register for each event or get more details.

Not the Last Word

Happy July 2020. I hope this finds all of you well and staying safe. We have experienced our 1st big holiday during Covid-19. It was certainly different getting used to celebrating with just ourselves or with family only. Hopefully you had the pleasure of visiting family. Ours was a very quiet holiday with good food and watching great movies. For those of you that do not tolerate the loud booms and to our four legged friends, I hope you all had a good day and enjoyed the reason behind the Holiday.

With Covid-19, the activities we Ladies enjoy together are on hold until we can safely meet and enjoy each other's company. I do pray everyday that we will see each other sooner than later, but not at the expense of being exposed to this deadly disease.

My mind has been churning with ideas we can partake in when we can safely meet

Happy Birthday Drink

On the Shrine Club

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again. If you have something you might like to do, let me know & I will certainly add to my list. Being in the Shrine, we can still have fun, it just has to be a little different.

Since the Shrine Hospital is not needing blankets for awhile, I am still trying to connect with the VA and some other places that might enjoy lap blankets for the residents. I am also still trying to get in touch with Social Services that might like blankets for families needing some comfort. The ideas are endless on how Shrine can partake in the community. If you have any thoughts or ideas, I would certainly entertain any & all ideas.

In the meantime, stay safe, stay well, & stay in touch. If I have not reached out to you, reach out to me. It would be great chatting with you. Not wanting to miss anyone I am not going to list the names of Ladies I know that are in need of thoughts and prayers, but please take a few minutes to lift up our Ladies and our Shriners in prayer. There is not one of us that could not use a little extra to remain well and in good spirits.

I probably won't be seeing you at the Club, but know I miss and think of you all often.

Lady Jeri

FOR NEWLY RAISED BRETHREN

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You have now received the three Symbolic degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry and, I hope soon, such instruction in the work of

those degrees as will enable you to pass a creditable examination therein—whenever you should visit lodges in this or other jurisdictions throughout the world where you are unknown and cannot be vouched for as a Master Mason.

You have also received, I hope, through the Lodge System of Masonic Education prescribed by our Grand Lodge an appreciation of the lessons we are trying to teach and are versed, at least to some extent, in the history, traditions, laws, customs and usages of the Craft. As a part of the Masonic Education program, you have been told of your privileges, your duties and your responsibilities as a member of your Masonic Lodge. Some of these may be enumerated briefly as follows:

(a) To hold membership in some lodge.
(b) To pay regularly and promptly such dues and assessments as your Lodge may levy. To attend the communications of your Lodge, to join in its deliberations, to have a voice in its decisions and to assist in discharging its responsibilities, among which are:

1. Volunteer service on committees.
2. Donations to the Masonic Blood Bank, if eligible.
3. Assistance in conferring degrees.
4. Attendance and assistance at Masonic funeral services when summoned.

Your Lodge needs your help in these and many other ways. Masonry makes no demands; she provides opportunities, she gives you the key to a door, she opens a path to your feet, but she forces you neither to use the key nor travel the path. She beckons; you may follow or not as you please. If you follow, you will travel strange ways, but you

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will find them increasingly pleasant the further you go.

This paper is limited to providing information about some of the courtesies and etiquette of lodge life as generally, although not necessarily universally, practiced. Masonry has developed its own conventions, governed by tradition, custom and usage, by which its members act in lodge and in the anteroom and live together with the least friction. Not to proceed according to their dictates is not a Masonic offense; it is merely a lack of Masonic manners. Unless you belong to a most unusual lodge, or had a most wise brother for an instructor, it is doubtful if you were told much about these little niceties of lodge conduct. You are supposed to attend your lodge and learn by observation.

A. Entering or retiring from lodge at labor or at refreshment by use of the due guard - symbol of a Mason's obligations.

One of the prerogatives of a W.M. is to control the admission and retirement of both members and visitors to his lodge. Masons, entering a lodge give the due-guard to salute the W.M. at the Altar, if the lodge is at labor. This practice assures the W.M. that the brother knows on which degree the lodge is open. A brother making a wrong sign can be instructed immediately. He can readily determine this before giving the due-guard by observing how the square and compasses are placed upon the Holy Bible on the Altar. The salute informs the W.M. that the brother is a Mason of the degree on which the lodge is open; if he makes an inferior sign and cannot, on request, give the right one, the W.M. can then use other means to ascertain that no E.A. or F.C. is present in a Master Mason's lodge. The salute is a silent assurance to the W.M. and through him to the brethren: "I remember my obligations."

Brethren give a similar salute to the W.M. at the Altar upon retiring in order to get permission to leave. No one can enter or leave a lodge room while a lodge is at labor without permission. If the W.M. does not wish the brother who salutes to retire, he tells him so,

instead of responding to the salute.

At refreshment the lodge is in charge of the J.W. in the South, which thus becomes, for the time being, constructively the East. The J.W.'s pillar is raised and the pillar of the S.W. is lowered. The same salutes are given to the J.W., as are usually given to the W.M. and for the same reasons, in the event a brother wishes to enter or retire.

The W.M. in the East occupies the most exalted position in the gift of the lodge. A lodge which does not honor its W.M., not because of what he himself may be, but on account of the honor given him, is lacking in Masonic courtesy. The position he occupies, not the man himself, must be given the utmost respect, if the traditions of the Fraternity are to be observed. It is, therefore, to the W.M., not to John Smith who happens to be the W.M., that you offer a salute when you enter or retire from lodge. Like any other salute, this may be done courteously and as if you meant it or perfunctorily as if you did not care. The man who puts one finger to his hat brim when he speaks to a woman on the street compares poorly with his well-bred neighbor who lifts his hat. Taking the hat off is the modern remains of the ancient custom of Knights who removed their helmets in the presence of those they felt their friends and thus, before those they wished to honor by showing that they trusted them. A man removes his hat before a woman to show his respect. Touching the brim is but a perfunctory salute. Similarly, the salute to the W.M. is your renewed pledge of fealty and service, your recognition before all your assembled brethren of your obligations. It is performed before the W.M. and the Altar to show him your veneration for his authority, your respect for all of that, for



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which he stands. To offer your salute as if you were in a hurry, too lazy properly to make it, or bored with its offering, is to be, Masonically a boor. Moreover, brethren should not approach the Altar with bundles or papers in hand. Some lodges permit smoking during a business meeting. Even here, however, a brother is not too respectful who makes a solemn salute to the W.M. before the Altar with a cigarette or cigar either in his mouth or in his hand.

B. Addressing Lodge

In addressing the lodge for any purpose, a brother speaks to the W.M. The W.M. is the lodge. A brother stands to order when addressing the chair, gives salute (due-guard and penal sign) and begins speech only after the W.M.'s recognition. A brother does not turn his back on the W.M. to address the lodge without permission from him. He who seconds a motion rises and salutes when doing so. No brother should ever sit while speaking. Moreover, the spectacle of two brethren on their feet at the same time, arguing over a motion, facing each other and ignoring the W.M. is not one which any W.M. should permit. But it is also one which no W.M. should have to prevent!

Failure to obey the gavel at once is a grave discourtesy. The W.M. is all powerful in the lodge. He can put or refuse to put any motion. He can rule any brother out of order on any subject at any time. He can say what he will and will not permit to be discussed. Brethren who think him unfair, arbitrary, unjust, or acting illegally have redress; the Grand Lodge can be appealed to on any such matter. But in the

lodge, the gavel, emblem of authority, is supreme. When a brother is rapped down, he should at once obey, without further discussion. It is very bad manners to do otherwise; indeed, it is close to the line between bad manners and a Masonic offense.

C. Advancement

If an officer is absent, the officers below his station do not necessarily each move up a chair. There is no "advancement by right" for any office except that of W.M. The W.M. fills any vacancy by temporary appointment. In the absence of the W.M., the S.W. presides. In the absence of both the W.M. and the S.W., the J.W. presides. The W.M. may ask a P.M. or any brother he believes qualified to fill a temporarily vacant chair.

D. Altar and East

Except in procession during a degree, it is practically universal that brethren do not pass between the Altar and the East in a lodge at labor. Why? This courtesy is rooted in the thought that the W.M. should have the Great Lights constantly in view. In theory, the Holy Bible, Square and Compasses on the Altar are dedicated to God, the Master and the Craft and are in the charge of the Master. He draws inspiration from the Great Lights on the Altar to preside over the lodge and, therefore, at no time should his view of them be interrupted. This custom is but a pretty courtesy, but it is rooted in a fundamental conception of the Craft - that the Altar is the center of Masonry and that from it and the Great Lights it bears, flow all that there is of Masonic inspiration, truth and light.

E. Altar and Lesser Lights

You have observed that, in our jurisdiction, the Lesser Lights are placed in a triangular form about the Altar. It is customary not to walk between the Altar and a light. The theory is that the Altar and the three lights about it represent the Sanctum Sanctorum, or Holy of Holies, of the original tabernacle in the wilderness. Into this the High Priest could go, but only to return the same way. Brethren enter this symbolic representation in the lodge room, but do not use it as a passageway by passing through it.

F. Altar and West

In passing from the South to the North side of the lodge at labor, or vice versa, between the



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Altar and the S.W. in the West, a brother should look to the East and give the penal sign of the degree on which the lodge is open.

G. Aprons

Brethren who respect the formalities of their lodge will not enter it undressed; that is, without their apron or while putting on that apron. Aprons should be put on before entering the lodge room. When, as sometimes happens on “big nights”, there are not enough aprons, a handkerchief may be tucked in the belt to take its place. The spectacle of a late brother hurriedly entering the lodge room at the last moment, tying on his apron as he approaches the Altar is much on a par with a member of church entering it while putting on his collar and tie.

As you have already learned, the use of the apron is extremely old, not, as with the operative Masons, as a protector of clothing and body against tools and stone, but as a badge of honor. In all times and climes, it has been a badge of distinction. It is as such that a Mason wears it. The material of the Masonic apron - lambskin - is a symbol of innocence, as the lamb has always been. It is a courtesy much appreciated by all Tilers if brethren leaving the lodge room lay their aprons neatly in a pile or in the apron box, instead of dropping them anywhere for the Tiler to pick up and put away.

H. Balloting

The etiquette, which surrounds the ballot, is a reflection of Masonic thought upon its value and importance. Brethren ballot one at a time after a salute to the W.M. No one should leave or enter a lodge room during the taking of a ballot, with the exception of the Tyler, if he is a member of the lodge. It is customary to present the box first to the W.M. for his inspection, then to the Wardens. The three principal officers ballot without leaving their seats. In some lodges, the box is passed also to all officers and P.M.'s. What is customary is good manners. It is a gentle courtesy for the Master to ask the Tyler to enter and vote, his place being taken by another meanwhile. This is properly done after all but the Tyler have voted.

In all Grand Jurisdictions the ballot on candidates is secret and inviolable. It is considered un-Masonic for a brother to divulge how he intends to or has balloted or to attempt to ascertain how another will or has balloted. Peace and harmony are the foundations of all Masonic meetings. For

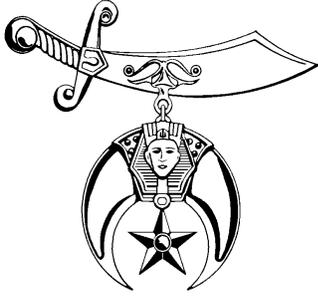
Brother A to learn that Brother B has balloted or will ballot against his friend would disrupt that peace and harmony.

The rejection of a candidate is a blow to him who has applied. If everyone knew who had cast the black cube, the rejected man might speedily learn and cause of friction in the profane world would then have come out of a Masonic Lodge.

It is the duty of every member present to vote and the W.M. may oblige him to do so. A Brother who does not vote, because too lazy, or too indifferent, or for any other reason, is discourteous because he injures the ballot, its secrecy, its importance and its value.

I. Conclusion

The thoughts above outlined will disclose that good manners in Masonry, like those in civil life, are rooted in kindness and flower in good will. They oil the Masonic wheels and enable them to revolve without creaking. They smooth the path of all in the lodge and prove to all the truth of the ritualistic explanation of that “more noble and glorious purpose” to which we are taught to put the trowel.



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-- Annon-e-moose**

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