

Cornerstone #2-2013



Mt. Moriah's Summer Activity Schedule is Under Way!

Summer Energy

By Michael St-Laurent, WM

As a Freemason we have the opportunity to be a part of the largest fraternal organization in the world. As a Utah Freemason, we are both blessed and cursed to be a member of one of the smallest jurisdictions in North America. Blessed as we get to create amazing friendships and bonds with each and every Utah Mason. Realize that in many jurisdictions members never even meet their Grand Master, let alone get to break bread with him on a monthly and sometimes weekly occurrence. We are all integral cogs in the wheel of Utah Freemasonry. Take advantage of our jurisdictional size and get out

and meet your Utah Brothers. It is through our travel to other Lodges and membership to our appendant bodies that we gain Light.

Unfortunately, fewer members mean fewer men to fill the various officer lines of each Blue Lodge or appendant body. To borrow from an old Microsoft slogan, Utah Masons are asked to "Do More with Less." Although somewhat biased, I believe we fulfill that request more often than not. In doing so we also expend a significant amount of energy. Energy from each individual Brother, but also energy from work and family responsibilities.

This Summer, be sure to spend more time with family and friends. Re-energizing your mind and soul with that energy that you can only get by spending time with loved ones. Your Lodge officers recognize this

need and our activity schedule has been created to enable family fun and Brotherly Love. See you all soon...

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**Important
DATE!**

September Stated Meeting is @ the Magna Temple!

Our next Stated Meeting on September 9th will be held at the Magna Masonic Temple. It is located at 2618 South 8950 West in Magna, Utah. We will be having our second Joint Meeting with Christopher Diehl Lodge #19. However, this time they will be the host Lodge and we will be visiting. Come out and join your Officers in continuing our newly found tradition with our Brothers from Christopher Diehl.

August

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Social Dinner (6:30p)
Red Robin
1313 Foothill Drive

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Salt Lake Bee's Game
Meet at Front Gate @ 6:30p
77 West 1300 South

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First Unitarian Church
Summer Forum Series (10:00a)
569 South 1300 East

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Mt. Moriah Meetup Group
Mestizo's Coffeehouse
631 West North Temple

September

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Social Dinner (6:30p)
Wingers
4790 South State Street

* Meeting @ Magna Temple*

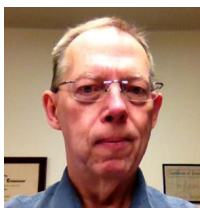
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Wives & Widows Brunch
Marie Calendars
1109 East 3900 South

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YELLOW.



Living With Purpose

By Michael Chittum

Montaigne, the French essayist and philosopher wrote, "The great and glorious masterpiece of {human beings} is to live with purpose." If that be so, then what purpose should define our lives? Ralph Waldo Emerson helps inform us to this. He wrote. "The purpose of life is not to be happy. It is to be useful, to be honorable, to be compassionate, to have it make some difference that you have lived and lived well." Both Montaigne and Emerson could have been writing to the members of the Free & Accepted Masons. As part of our journey toward the light, toward a life of enlightenment, we would agree that our lives must be lived out with purpose, with a reason for our existence, and with goals we hope to accomplish. We should affirm that we want to do more than merely exist, but our hope is to live each day with purpose. And, we should seek ways to be useful to our brethren and to all we meet. We should live with honor and integrity. We should be compassionate toward those in need, especially those in greatest need. We should seek to have our lives make a positive difference in the lives with whom we interact. Let us resolve to make these our goals.

Mt.Moriah Survey

How do you want your Lodge to communicate with you?

**Mark all that apply*

1. Email Group

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2. Mthly Postcard

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3. Postal Mail

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4. Telephone

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5. Not at all

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This survey is to assist your Lodge Officers in knowing how you want to be communicated with. We will note your preference in ROLLS and modify our communications to you accordingly.

Send responses to:

Secretary@mtmoriah2.org

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Altruistic Intention - Part II

By Sterling Tanner, Tyler

.... Suppose I had some miraculous power to instantly elevate us all to the Celestial Grand Lodge above, but once we arrived there how should we behave? Should we bring our vices and superfluities with us? And if they are part of us, how do we let them go instantly? we could not let them go; the Lodge would no longer celestial. So therefore, it is important to have altruistic intention right here, right now, so the Lodge, in which we are located righthere, right now, is the Celestial Grand Lodge above.

Altruism in many ways can be "the stone which the builders refused, that has become the head of the building." Often we think little of its importance, only looking at imitations of what altruistic actions are and should be, rather than using freedom and creativity of independent thought (the square) to generate genuine altruistic intent that has the purpose to hold together our personal Lodges.

I would now like to illustrate this idea of altruistic intention in a famous parable, the parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector, which can be found in Luke 18:9:14

"He spoke also this parable to certain people who were convinced of their own righteousness, and who despised all others. Two men went up into the temple to pray; one was a Pharisee, and the other was a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed to himself like this: 'God, I thank you, that I am not like the rest of men, extortioners, unrighteous, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week. I give tithes of all that I get.' But the tax collector, standing far away, wouldn't even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be



Token of Appreciation

By Jared Tanner

On November 19, 2012 I was received in a lodge of Entered apprentices by the brethren of Mt. Moriah. I had been taught the meaning of this degree and I was welcomed among these men as a brother of the Craft; in due time I was familiar with the degree of which I had entered and I was passed to the degree of Fellowcraft and later raised to the degree of Master Mason. I had known the brethren of this lodge for some time before my journey had begun but now they are no longer friends of mine, but rather my brothers. A new and welcomed addition to my family, not a single man in this lodge is the same; but every one of them I am confident I can call on and learn from. I have heard many times "you get out of it what you put into it" regarding the fraternity, this I must argue when joining a lodge such as Mt. Moriah. I have put little in this lodge other than my presence and the brothers within have helped me on several occasions and have given me life changing lessons in the time that I have spent with them. It is my goal to express my gratitude to them and help keep the welcoming traditions of this lodge for years to come. It is evident that in my generation that there are few who are concerned with the teachings of the Craft, lodges have been consolidating and closing. There is work that must be done to keep the tapers burning and I look to the brothers before me and beside me to help me find my place in preserving the fraternity, today's world is different and I see the brethren who brought me in are doing an excellent job of keeping the vision alive. I believe we all perceive the Craft differently and we all find different lessons from each degree that impacts our lives, however it is the brothers within the lodge that make the most impact to the candidate in my eyes.. I'd like to say to the officers and brothers that I think your doing a damn good job. I look forward to many years to spend in this lodge and beside all of you; it has been a great journey thus far.

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we came to find out it was because their contact information had changed. Also please let us know how you prefer to be contacted for future updates, whether it be by email or regular mail.

On that note, I hope you all have a safe and enjoyable summer and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Greetings from the Secretaries Desk. I hope you are all enjoying your summer. We have had a busy year so far and look to continue that way for the rest of the year. With that in mind if you haven't already done so, please let myself or Worshipful Brother Michael know if any of your contact information has changed. Whether it be an email change or phone or address. We have had a few Brothers contact us saying they weren't receiving the monthly postcard or emails and

The Secretaries Desk
By Robert Smith, PM & Secretary



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