

NOTICE
Brother James Heimer passed away
Wednesday 8/14/2019

White Mountain Lodge No. 3 Trestle Board

From the desk of the Master of the Lodge

I hope you had a great August and everyone is ready to resume Lodge activities. Among our typical activities “to keep the lodge running”, we have important items to consider and plan. Among them is the merger of Ray-Winkelman into White Mountain, Officer Elections, and ramping up for the Clothe-a-Child program.

As part of our ongoing Masonic education, I also want to continue the process of strengthening our ritual performance. One of the Master’s responsibilities, and of the officers, is to ensure that a lodge complies with the minimum proficiency expectation as defined by the Grand lodge constitution:

“ It shall be the responsibility of the Lodge to insure that the lectures, as well as other portions of each degree not otherwise specifically assigned, are delivered in accordance with the prescribed ritual of this jurisdiction and it shall be the duty of the Worshipful Master to see that his Lodge complies with this requirement.”

To that end, my goals are to continue to open and close our meetings on various degrees and schedule a time to practice conferring a degree.

Thank you for all that you do!
In Fraternal Fellowship,

WB Mark
2019 Master
White Mountain Lodge No. 3 F. & A.M.



Stated Meeting

Sept 14, 2019

8:30 am
Breakfast

10:00 am
Stated Meeting

11:30 am
Rameses Grotto

1:30 pm
Globe Chapter
No. 7 R.A.M.

WB Mark Rutter
2019 Master

Clothe a Child Campaign

White Mountain Lodge No. 3 continues to be a leader in the Globe/Miami community by raising money for the annual Clothe a Child campaign for needy youth. Year after Year White Mountain Lodge works with local businesses to raise money to supply clothes children with very needed clothes and school supplies.

This amazing endeavor is a year around effort to be successful! The Globe, Miami and Claypool area has many worthwhile children that could take advantage of our program!

Please consider making a donation or offering to volunteer for this year's event!

Masonic Charities of Arizona

Throughout its history, grants from Masonic Charities of Arizona have been provided to needy organizations in the various communities within the State of Arizona.

The purpose of the charity is to primarily assist those organizations throughout the State, engaged in relieving human suffering of any kind, which are dependent upon contributions from the public to accomplish their mission. Masonic Charities of Arizona is a non-profit organization whose objective is to channel contributions from Masons.

For more information and grant application go to

www.MasonicCharities.com

To support via Amazon.com
<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/94-2746389>



White Mountain Lodge No. 3 joins FACEBOOK

To better reach out to the local community and share information with it's members, White Mountain Lodge No. 3 has joined the online community of Facebook. We will use the page as a public forum to share the activities of the Lodge with the community of Globe/Claypool/Miami and surrounding area. We hope that this will not only raise the profile of the Lodge within the community, but also help the Lodge be a bigger part of our community.

We hope that this sharing will not only help our philanthropic efforts but also elevate our standing in the community. We also hope that this will help our Clothe a Child program and other efforts while also letting the locals that we are here to join!

Bringing "Light" to Gila County!
Give us a 'Like' to follow along



The Mason's Ties And Duties

In Mason's Lodge with darkened eyes
And cable tow about you
You swore to Hele all mysteries
That Masons keep and Masons prize
The Brothers secrets whispered low,
The words they speak, the things they do,
In mystic manner taught you.

On yonder book, that oath you took, and you
should break it never. But stand by this(1), and
this(2), and this(3), forever and forever.

You swore to answer and Obey
The Summons sent you duly
My Brothers hand or Lodge array,
You swore that you would never stray
From laws and rules that bound
Freemasons in the days renowned
But would observe them truly.

On yonder book that oath you took, and you
should break it never, But stand by this(4), and
this(5), and this(6), forever and forever,

You swore in charity to care
For all with sorrow smitten,
The Brother on the darkened square,
The Widow, full of grief and care,
The sorrowing orphan doomed to stray
On life's cold path and cheerless way
While tears gush forth unbidden.

On yonder book that oath you took, and you
should break it never, But stand by this(7), and
this(8), and this(9), forever and forever

You swore to deal in honesty
With each true heart around you
That honour bright should ever be
The unbroken bond, twixt him and thee'
Nor wrong, nor guile, nor cruel fraud
Should ever break or loose that holy chord
With which these vows have bound you

You swore the chastity to shield
Of women true and tender
A brother's wife, A brothers child
His Mother, Sister, Undeiled

Those, pure of heart, whose love
Makes Masons' homes like heaven above
You are their sworn defender

On yonder book, three oaths you took and you
should break them never
But stand by this(10), and this(11), and this(12),
forever and forever.

These are our vows, be these our care,
And may such light be given
In answer to our earnest prayer
That we may ever do or dare.
All that Gods gracious laws enjoin
That, so, when shades of night decline.
We may be found in heaven.

On this fair book these vows we all took and we
should break them never But stand by this(13),
and this(14), and this(15), forever and forever.

At 1 The presenter takes Step

At 2 The presenter shows E.A. sign

At 3 The presenter cuts E.A. sign

AT 4 The presenter takes step

At 5 The presenter shows F.C. sign

At 6 The presenter discharges F.C. sign

At 7 The presenter takes step

At 8 The presenter shows M.M. sign

At 9 The presenter discharges M.M. sign and
recovers

At 10 The presenter takes step, shows E.A.
sign, and cuts it

At 11 The presenter takes step, shows F.C. sign
and discharges it

At 12 The presenter takes step, shows M.M.
sign, discharges it and recovers

At 13 The presenter puts right hand on the
V.O.S.L.

At 14 The presenter indicates the Sq. & C.s.

At 15 The presenter kneels & seals once on the
V.O.S.L.

FROM THE WEST

It is never too late to apologize for a wrong or perceived wrong or slight. Apologies work wonders in business, personal relationships, and in Masonry.

I offer a Masonic anecdote—just recently, it was brought to my attention as the sitting Master of a lodge, that there was an unresolved issue that resulted in an Entered Apprentice walking away from the lodge and failing to advance a number of years ago. Time has blurred most of the facts, but the few that seemed to be consistent centered around the Master at the time apparently extended an offer to the EA a means to resolve his proficiency in short form so that he could take the FC degree. The Candidate appeared at lodge on the night agreed to ready to do his proficiency in committee, but was told to wait...which he did for hours. When someone did meet with him, he was apparently informed that the lodge had voted to extend his time so that he could meet lodge expectations. Angry at having sat all this time to only learn that not only was he not going to do what he thought was agreed to, but that he had to return a couple of months later. Consequently, he left and gave up on becoming a Master Mason. Fast forward to the present, the once-Candidate had a chance conversation with a brother in good standing, when noticing his Masonic ring, shared his story—the short of it is that I immediately contacted him, apologized for the tangled communication and offered to personally be his mentor—he accepted and as a result we now have a very motivated candidate. Sincere apologies are a magical balm for personal, professional, and Masonic relations.

Fraternally,

WB Lowell “Ed” Fox PM

2019 Senior Warden

White Mountain Lodge No. 3

Masonic Humor

A small Lodge had had a string of bad luck. It was preparing to initiate a candidate on a steamy evening in June and it's air conditioner had stopped working.

After sweating their way through part of the work, the Master had asked the candidate what he most desired.

The candidate replied "a beer".

At this juncture, the W.M., being startled, whispered "light" to the candidate.

"OK," the candidate replied, "a lite beer."



FROM THE SOUTH



Brothers All; Fall is upon us, and it's time to be thinking about our elections in November. Who we elect for the forthcoming Masonic year, will affect our lodges health. Think hard on who you vote for as it can help us grow or deteriorate. For those of you who would like to fill a position, or advance to the next position, now is the time to bring your proficiency up to the standard required.

If you're having trouble with learning a part, ask for assistance . Our officers and our DDGM, will be glad to help you. Remember elections will be here soon. Be prepared and ready.

Fraternally

Mark Nielsen PM

2019 Junior Warden

White Mountain Lodge No. 3

Sept/Oct Birthdays

Sept/Oct Anniversaries

Steven Balke	Craig Lewis	Ralph Gerhardt 9/5/1964
Tim Conrad	Ernie Miranda	Terry Tanner 9/7/1985
Thom Davis	Merle Palmer	Ted Palmer 9/7/1985
Paul Dore	Ted Palmer	Daniel Napier 9/29/2007
Ed Fox	Wes Parmenter	Richard Wrightson 10/3/2014
Bill Greenen	Andy Sanders	Howard Champion 10/4/1952
Forrest Hammer	William Sneyd	Ron Hack 10/9/2007
Ron Heck	Robert Taylor	Wes Parmenter 10/12/1957
Jim Heimer	Ed Warner	James Rasmussen 10/14/1964
		John Thayer 10/15/1973
		Robert Armstrong 10/21/1972
		Ed Fox 10/23/1986

MEMORIAL PERPETUAL MEMBERSHIP

Would you like to remember a Masonic family member, Masonic friend or notable Mason? Recent changes in the Arizona Masonic Code now allow you to purchase a Memorial Life Membership for any deceased Mason that you wish to memorialize in White Mountain Lodge No. 3. The fee for these memberships is only 10 times dues. The Deceased Mason's name will remain on the Lodge's register for Perpetual Membership in perpetuity and the Lodge will receive an annuity every year from this help cover Lodge expenses. Contact Paul Dore Sr. Lodge Secretary for Memorial Perpetual Membership Application

From the Archives

by Paul Dore PM

MASONIC TEMPLE, GLOBE, ARIZONA WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 7TH 1925.

This evening we met to celebrate what many of us have looked forward to for many years, namely, the date when we might say that this Temple was entirely free from debt, and is peculiarly fitting that we celebrate on this particular evening as just twelve years ago tonight we held our first meeting in this Temple.

In addition to celebrating the great achievement, it was the desire to do honor to our Past Master Thomas Abbott Pascoe, to whose financial genius a great portion of the success is due.

The tables in the banquet hall were comfortably filled at 6.30 P.M. with a gathering of 130 masons comprising most of the resident members of this Lodge and many visitors from Doric Lodge #26 of Miami, with a goodly number from Lodges scattered throughout the State and Country.

The menu which had been kindly prepared by the ladies of Globe Chapter No. 27, Order of Eastern Star consisted of Young roast turkey, with dressing and Cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes, green peas, not rolls, coffee and chocolate with celery, pickles and olives. The dinner was most excellently prepared, deftly served and was enjoyed most heartily.

Professor W.K, Blackstone with the assistance of Donald and Robert White and Miss Dorothy Johns played a march, after which Bro. Guy A Ligon as Toastmaster called on Bro. Brewster for the invocation.

During the entire evening Professor Blackstone with the Orchestra played many selections, which were highly appreciated.

Past Master George Cook gave a very interesting and detailed talk on the early struggles of the Lodge to find a suitable location and after having found it, to finance the building of the Temple. Great stress was laid upon the invaluable services of Bros. Paul Michaelson and Charles H Weideman to whom the final selection of the plan was left. Bro. Michaelson actually superintended all the work and gave his services for practically nothing. Bro. Michaelson was here asked to stand and be introduced to those who had never met him. Bro. Michaelson in a few well-chosen remarks depreciated the kind words spoken of him by Bro. Cook and while acknowledging that he had helped, still said that the success was due to many others who had also helped in the work. Bro. Cook then went on to tell us of the hard and difficult task then entered into by Bro. Pascoe who untiringly devoted most of his time to the work of financing the building.

Bro. Pascoe was refused help from several sources from which he expected it, but undaunted, kept at the job until all the funds were raised to complete the structure. The brethren all united in expressing their high appreciation of Bro. Pascoe's efforts to secure the financial stability of the Lodge.

Between the set speeches, Bro. Fred A Shaffer was much complimented for the splendid manner in which he led the singing by all of those present in a number of familiar songs the words of several of which had been changed and composed by Bro. James Malott, present Junior Warden to suit the occasion.

In "A Voice from Doric" by Past Master Everett H McEachren of Doric # 26, he complimented the Lodge highly upon the success .

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of its achievement in ridding the building of debt, and told of the success that Doric Lodge was meeting with present, having now a total of 267 members

He paid a fitting tribute to their first Master, Bro. George S Sloan who had worked actively to bring the Lodge to its present high degree of usefulness, and to Bro. Clarence E. Payer its first Secretary. Bro. Charles L Rawlins under the head of "Leadership" paid numerous high tributes to Bro. Pascoe in connection with the financing of the Temple and mentioned many instances of Bro. Pascoe's generosity in assisting people and enterprises that had come to his notice. His urgent and strong advice that no debt on the building whatsoever met with the wholehearted approval of those present. Very interesting and pleasing addresses were made by Past Master Frank Robertson, Wilbur C McKenzie and Joseph Sattler as well as William W. Thornton, the present Master of Doric No. 26.

Bro. John D Wick, Past Master of this Lodge who was associated with Bro. Pascoe as Trustee of the Lodge during almost the entire term of its indebtedness gave many interesting details connected with the arrangements made for financing the building, paying a very high tribute to Bro. Pascoe as a Mason and true friend and stated that it was the intention of the Lodge to have an enlarged portrait of Bro. Pascoe made and hung in a conspicuous place, where in years to come newcomers might see what he thought should be termed the portrait of the "Father of White Mountain Lodge."

Worshipful Master Herbert H Price in a few well-chosen words thanked Bro. Wick, stating that the Lodge would be very glad to receive such a portrait and give it due honor.

The members then adjourned to the Lodge room, where Bro. Pascoe escorted by Bros. Cook and Price proceeded to burn the mortgage. This proved to be a highly impressive and memorable ceremony.

MASONIC TRIVIA:

Michael Giorsetti migrated to the states from Italy, landing in Winkelman in 1909. He built up Giorsetti's Superior Bakery, a glorified wooden shack that quickly became a general store, selling everything from canned goods to guns and ammo. This town of 500 souls, this rising mining outpost began turning copper ore to gold, gained a slight cosmopolitan sheen. The bakery delivered fresh

baked goods to Winkelman area residents by horse and buggy, even up to the town of Christmas.

Giorsetti's was soon a full-on

grocery and mercantile.

Michael built the two-story structure that houses the store now sometime around 1911, with living quarters inside and on the second floor. Its heavy concrete walls and original interior ceiling and thick wooden front counter. Could it be Arizona's longest operating family owned grocery store? The third generation of Giorsettis currently run the business. Currently Jeff Giorsetti is the butcher and owns the business with his family. WB Jeff and his father Provino were Past Masters of Ray-Winkelman Lodge No. 24. Stop by and say hello next time you are in Winkelman, Arizona



WHAT'S UP IN GLOBE?

The Copper Ball

Gila County Historical Museum, will host the "Copper Ball" for the culmination for all the fun events for their second annual Old Dominion Days!

"Copper Ball"

Sat Sep 14th 6:00pm - 11:00pm

Cobre Valley Center for the Arts, 101 N. Broad St., Globe, AZ
(Corner of Broad & Oak St.)

For those of us who are too young to have ever experience a Ball Dance from the early 1900's to the 1940's, here is your chance to recreate, relive the good ole days!

A Ball Dance is something like a wedding today, only, it's the past. Long gowns, white satin gloves, pearls, hats, fur coats or a shawl for the women and a top hat, long tailed suit, pocket watch, or white shirt for the men. Oh, and you don't have to be a Fred Astaire, Gene Kelly or Ginger Rogers to dance to swing or the chia chia.



Tickets for the Copper Ball are now on sale at the Gila County Historical Museum and the Globe Miami Chamber of Commerce. This gala event will be the grand finale for Old Dominion Days this year. Step back in time with us! Tickets are \$35 for a single and \$65 for a couple. Supply is limited, so don't delay! .

This ball is in conjunction with the Old Dominion Days Celebration from Sept. 11-14, 2019.



Globe Chapter No. 7

Did you know that Globe is home to a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons?

The "Capitular" or Chapter Degrees of Freemasonry refers the four degrees of the York Rite system that follow the "blue lodge" or "Craft" degrees. The Holy Royal Arch is the final degree and the culmination of the Chapter experience for a candidate. The Chapter is the second body of the York Rite of Freemasonry (following the Symbolic or 'Blue' Lodge), though in some Jurisdictions it is considered the completion of the initial three degrees and is part of the regular Craft experience.

All Master Masons are eligible for membership.

Contact

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for more information

Globe Chapter No. 7 RAM

Companions,

Congratulations to our one and only William Greenan who has been elected and installed as Most Excellent High Priest of Royal Arch Masons of Arizona. MEHP Bill appointed Frosty Hammer as Grand Sentinel, Ed Fox as Grand Master of the 3rd Veil and Mark Nielsen as Grand Master of the 2nd Veil. And, MEC Paul Dore' once again is Grand Treasurer of the York Rite bodies of Arizona. Congratulations to all of Globe Chapter No. 7 RAM of AZ serving the Grand Chapter and we wish you a successful and productive year.

At the Grand Chapter session on Friday, I was impressed by the ritual opening of the Royal Arch degree by the Chapter in Sierra Vista. The beginning of this year when I was installed as HP, I stated one of my goals was to become more ritually proficient. I look forward to our meeting on September 14 and hope we are all ready or at least making progress in opening the Chapter without the aid of ritual books. I will try to be ready and please hold me accountable for my ritual proficiency. We will also practice the Mark Master degree in preparation of conferring that degree for our Brothers in Florence and Payson areas.

Fraternally,

Jim Baker PM

2019-20 High Priest

Globe Chapter No. 7 RAM

Congratulations
to
William Greenen
Elected
2019-20
Grand High
Priest
Grand Chapter of
Arizona



Globe History

The Pinal Mountains were known to have mineral deposits since the time of the Spanish Conquistadores. Spanish and Mexican prospectors were never able to establish mines in the area due to the remoteness of the region and hostile Apache Indians. In the 1820s and 1830s, the area was explored by mountain men. Again, Apache Indians drove off the explorers and no mines were established.

Finally in 1869, after many prospecting expeditions into the Pinals, a rudimentary fort was built at Big Johnny Gulch. In 1870 fifteen claims were staked in what would become the Globe mining district. However, before any mining could be done, the Apaches once again drove out the prospectors. This led to the "Apache Wars", a period of conflict between prospectors, the United States Army, and the Apache Indians. By 1873 the military had succeeded in defeating the Apaches and miners started moving into the Pinals in droves.

The townsite of Globe City was established in 1876. Mining in the area started with silver but had transitioned to copper by the late 1880s. Globes remoteness and proximity to Indian territory resulted in many years of stage robberies, murders, and violent conflicts with Indians. Many famous outlaws called Globe home.

With a majestic backdrop of the Pinal Mountains on one side and the Apache Range on the other, the town of Globe perches on the banks of Pinal Creek, its old buildings huddled on steep slopes. It was one of the great mining camps the West, braving everything from isolation to frequent, unwelcome visits by Apache war parties. The intrepid citizens carved out a community in the rugged mineral-laden mountains and producing some of Arizona's greatest leaders, including two governors.

In the early years the remote mining town was 120 miles from the nearest railroad. By 1878 the new town of Florence, just sixty miles away, was supplying the town but the trip through the rugged mountains still took five days. About the time the silver was playing out copper was in great demand and in 1886 citizens were boasting that all U.S. copper coins were minted from Globe copper. By 1924 the Old Dominion, Globe's greatest mine had produced \$134 million in gold, silver and copper.

Like all western mining towns Globe produced an abundance of colorful and independent characters. One of those was a Frenchman named Andre Mural. He grew peaches along the road leading up to one of the mines. Each morning as the miners were walking up to work they'd help themselves to Andre's peaches. He was chagrined and told them to stay out of his orchard but they'd just laugh. (cont.)



Globe History (cont)

They should have known that it's not a good idea to ruffle his feathers. Hell hath no fury like an annoyed Frenchman.

One day Andre went down to the local drug store and purchased a needle, syringe and a supply of croton oil.

Croton oil is a powerful purgative and irritant that causes severe diarrhea. That evening Andre injected croton oil into the peaches on each tree that bordered the road up to the mine.

The next morning the miners paused to pluck peaches off Andre's trees just as they did every

morning. But something was different. They failed to notice the duplicitous smile on the Frenchman's face as he sat quietly on his porch. He seemed to say, "Help yourself boys, take all you want and eat all you take."

Had they been more observant they might have surmised he was up to some mischief.

There was quite a bit of chaos as the miners scrambled to get in line for the ore cars that doubled as primitive privies down in the mine later that day.

Old timers in Globe say Andre Mural was the only man in western history to shut down an entire mine for three days and live to tell about it.

Today, there is a street in Globe named for Andre Mural. One can't help but wonder if it could in part, be in honor of his bold little act of defiance.

An ordinance had been passed in Globe stating a house of prostitution couldn't be less than 400 feet from a school. When the Old Central School opened in 1891 some local citizens insisted the brothel was too close and must be closed. The madam insisted her establishment predated the school and she wasn't about to be intimidated. She had an equal number of "concerned citizens" who agreed.

The local town marshal was called in to arbitrate. He decided to measure the distance between the two structures with a 400-foot rope. Anchoring it to the front door of the school he walked to the brothel, arrived at the front door and then stepped inside the parlor. The rope extended four feet into the front room

With the wisdom that would have done Ol' King Solomon proud, the marshal declared that all business activities must be conducted and in the small bedrooms that lay just beyond the end of the rope.



Look to the Future

Brethren,

I recently had the Honor and pleasure of representing MWGM Greg Vasquez and the Grand Lodge of Arizona at the annual Job's Daughters Retreat in Casa Grande. What a wonderful display of good manners, courteous behavior and poise exhibited by the young Ladies of Job's Daughters. There were several Rainbow girls and DeMolay boys in attendance and their conduct was exceptional. These young people are our future leaders in the Masonic Fraternity and our Communities, State and Nation. The more we can do to support and become involved in our Masonic youth the brighter the future of Freemasonry.

Our Fraternity has a well-established history of passing on to those who have come after us the traditions of moral and ethical behavior and self-improvement through education and the desire for knowledge in the arts and sciences. All this is accomplished by the spiritual guidance of our Great Creator of your choosing, ever-remembering there is a power greater than ourselves.

My ramblings have a point that our goals for the future should be guided by embracing technology and the interests and activities of the young men coming to our door. Society has changed and hobbies and interests are not the same today as my generation, my Father's generation and his Father's. We certainly have the obligation to see the Ancient Landmarks preserved and continue the practice of the Cardinal Virtues of Temperance, Fortitude, Prudence and Justice while exhibiting Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth. Our look to the future should be the focus of leaving a sound foundation of monetary stability and the reputation in our communities of exemplary conduct and behavior and a favorable opinion of the Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons.

Fraternally,

Jim Baker PM

2019-20 Junior Grand Warden
Grand Lodge F. & AM of Arizona



2014 Grand Lodge of Arizona Line Officers. We see two members of White Mountain Lodge No. 3! Do you see them?

What Treasures Does Your Lodge Hold?

Minute Books of fifty of the oldest American Lodges as of the period between 1800 and 1825 are compared with the Minute Books of the same Lodges as of the period 1900 to 1925 it will be discovered that the subject of the Lodge inventory was somewhere lost, abandoned, forgotten in the years between. Every so often in the early days a Secretary, with loving care, and often with an openly expressed pride, wrote out his inventory; and such inventories are for us now one of the best sources for a knowledge of what Lodge life was a century and a half ago. Those inventories coincidentally make vivid and clear one thing wrong with Lodge life now— something lost out of Masonry, like the Lost Word, an old Landmark unintentionally violated; a thing lost though not necessarily beyond recall.

The inventory was not of the carpets, walls, windows, or other structural equipment, nor was it for real estate or taxation or fire insurance purposes; it was an inventory of the treasures of the Lodge.

In almost every instance each item was described as a gift from some Brother, or as a memento of some occasion long remembered; there were oil portraits, framed prints, photographs; jewels kept in cases, of silver, and engraved, once the property of officers who later had presented them to the Lodge; aprons, collars, ballot boxes, gavels, Bibles and books, music books, an organ, sets of plate, glass and dishes, altar coverings,



certificates, cherished letters in frames, punch bowls There were gifts which the Lodge had made to itself, such as hand-made carved chairs for the officers or a visitors' book bound in morocco.

The Lodge Room had a feeling of being richly furnished; it was filled with the emblems and symbols of Freemasonry, of the Lodge's own past, of the community's esteem for it, and that the members who had gone were not completely gone.

Men loved their Lodge, and because they did there was no need to devise schemes for persuading them to attend.

In every Lodge, even the crassest, there are these untapped feelings of affection. Each one should have an inventory. When a Lodge room is empty, its walls bare, it has no atmosphere of its own. It does not feel like home. The Ritual loses its soul because it has not the environment it requires.

The worst effect of the bare Lodge room is that its Masonry in turn becomes barren because the Lodge has only the sense of being in a room and does not have a sense of being in the midst of a living and moving Fraternity; nor can it have a sense of its own past, or the Fraternity's past, but sinks into a feeling of isolation and flatness—it cannot even have a banquet because it has nothing to have it with. The inventory was one of riches; the riches came not out of the members' dues but out of their affection.

Rick Clifton, PM

Bay Springs #167

Bay Springs MS

Why a Trowel?

Operative Masons use trowels to spread the cement or mortar which unites the bricks or stones of a building into a common mass.

The trowel is the instrument which is used to distribute the bonding material in the proper proportions between the separate building units of a structure.

Speculative Masons are taught to regard the trowel as the principal tool of a Master Workman. Its symbolical use is to spread the cement of brotherly love and affection; and it is no mere coincidence that the principal working tool of a Master Mason is linked to the central purpose which Freemasonry has always proclaimed.

Obviously, Freemasons should be concerned with a figurative trowel, a symbol, which represents a certain kind of behavior, a mode of conduct, which every Master Mason is charged to practice.

In the transfer of ideas involved in such a metaphor, it is clear that the individual Brother is being exhorted to become a trowel, which distributes in proper proportion the bonding materials of brotherly love and affection. He is to be a force which helps to unite the divided human units of society into a harmonious structure of civilization.



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