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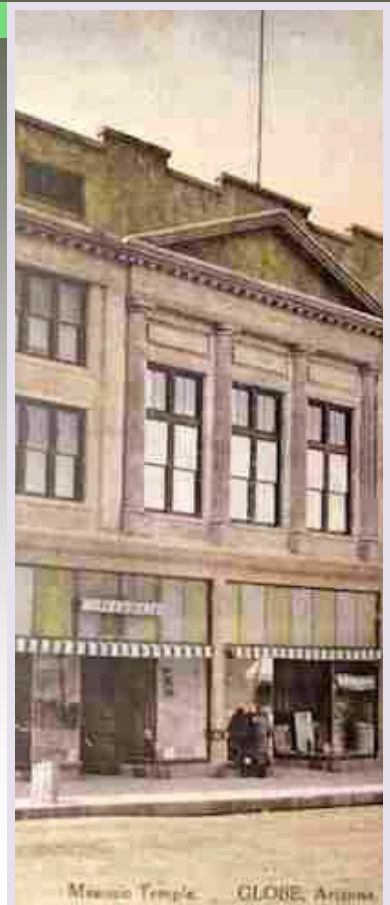
Lost Dutchman 3rd Degree

March 4, 2023
9:00 am

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Stated Meeting

Feb 11, 2022

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 Ernie Miranda
2023 Master

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First Meeting

What an exciting time at the first stated meeting of the year at White Mountain #3. We hosted quite a delegation. In attendance were MW Jim Baker, Grand Master of Arizona, and MW William "Bill" Pogue, Grand Master of New Mexico. Additionally, three Past Grand Masters from the Grand Lodge of Arizona,



WB Bill Garrard, WB Greg Vasquez, and WB Randy Jager were present and three Grand Line officers, RW George R. Rusk, Deputy Grand Master, WB Roger Biede, Grand Senior Deacon, and WB Eric Dupree, Grand Junior Deacon.

We also celebrated WB Harold Benjamin's 60 years of Masonic service. The MW Jim Baker presented the 60-year service award at a ceremony held before the stated meeting. WB Harold was surrounded by many members of his family. Congratulations WB Harold!

What an exciting way for me to start the year as the Worshipful Master. Thank you all for your support.

The Mosaic Floor is an important part of masonic lore.

Often in artwork with Masonic symbols, there appears a white and black checkered floor.

This is often referred to as a Mosaic floor or the Mosaic pavement.

In some descriptions it is based on the main floor of King Solomon's Temple. Although some dismiss this, there are descriptions making it clear the floor of the temple is made of

wood and it's elevated. The argument is stone was not used for an elevated floor. While this is most likely a true argument, it does not take into account that a Mosaic floor does not have to be built of stone, merely one of multiple colors. It makes it difficult to prove or disprove what the floor was made of since no archaeological evidence of the Temple of Solomon exists and any written accounts of the temple were most likely done by scribes in the court of Solomon, who had no knowledge of the engineering which went into the building of the temple.

The explanation Freemasons use is the black and white floor of King Solomon's Temple is representative of the good and evil in every man's life. This explanation attempts to explain the reasoning for the floor. It tends to make the concept of the Mosaic floor a more modern creation, at least in it's philosophy. Scribes most likely understood the basic concept of good and evil. Since this fact is not related in the descriptions of the temple it is less likely it was the reasoning for the floor. Again there is no archaeological evidence for the Temple of Solomon so it is hard to say whether it is lost knowledge or a modern interpretation.

First Meeting

Regardless of whether it is meant as a direct representation of the floor in Solomon's Temple or not, the philosophical explanation is what is most important to the Freemason. The reminder good and evil is present in all of our lives is taken as a reminder and as a warning. A reminder there are always those who, by design or by accident, bring unhappiness or "evil" into our daily lives and to be vigilant to those threats and concerns. It reminds us not to just avoid them, but also temper our reaction to those events and actions. It warns us we are just as capable of inflicting unhappiness or "evil" on others.

Freemasons remember it is our own deeds coloring the Mosaic floor. We all have good days and bad days, the goal is to always have the one extra white square balancing our life to the good and not the bad. We keep this balance by how we respond when "evil" enters our life and whether we choose by our actions to insert "evil" into the lives of others.

Article is taken from MASONRYTODAY.com

Ernie Miranda

2022 Master

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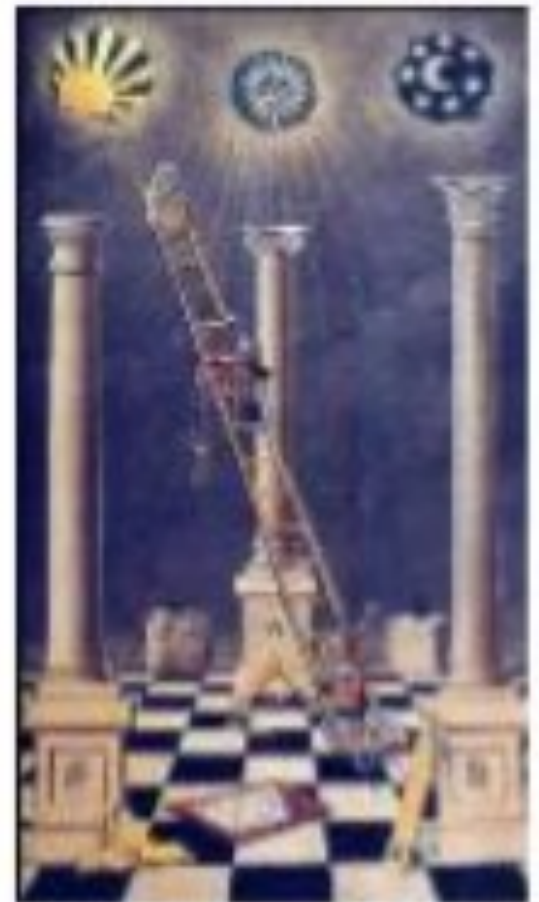
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Thoughts from the West

February, can't you smell the flowers? No? We'll you're not dreaming enough. They'll be here soon enough. What a start of the new year! East meets West (well New Mexico meets Arizona, close enough!). Great time was met in January. A lot of bantering back and forth. I got a commitment from the Grand Master of New Mexico that that the banner will keep traveling. I have to admit that I had a part in it.

In 2001 when I was Senior Warden, New Mexico secretly stole one of our banners and made

Dewey W. Goldstein Try to define it. Freemasonry is a sublime effort on the part of Masons to give living proof to the world that all men are brothers. The best definitions are inadequate. Then describe Freemasonry.

It is Understanding, Tolerance, Love, Hope, Reverence and Charity, all working through men who believe in the nobility of mankind, in the God-made destiny of men, and in the final triumph of good over evil. Our description is inadequate. Freemasonry is the cable-tow that

joins the hearts of Masons. It is felt in prosperity; it tugs at the heart of the brother in distress and at the heart of the brother who answers the call of distress. Freemasonry is a Spirit that goes with a handshake.

It is the mystery of Love, the silent working of Nature. It is

God's justice administered by men who know God's mercy. Freemasonry is that which brings sweet tears to the eyes of a father when his son knocks at the inner door. Have we described Freemasonry?

No, but there is something else to add: Freemasonry is that which dictators despise. Words to live by: "You know more of a road by having traveled it than by all the conjectures and descriptions in the world." William Hazlitt

Fraternally,

Bill Greenen
2023 Senior Warden
White Mountain Lodge No. 3



one Identical but with White Mountain 5 Territory of New Mexico then had the audacity to show up at our Grand Lodge and flaunt it to our face. Being unable to help myself, at high Twelve, it landed in my trunk and the stealing began to this day. For over 20 years we have enjoyed the fellowship and rivalry.

What a great tradition we have had at White Mountain. The Search for the Charter carried on for over a hundred years and our bond with New Mexico will continue longer than that. Just keep dreaming.

May the GAOTU be with you and bless you in 2023 and beyond.

Food for thought.

What Is Freemasonry? By M.W. Brother

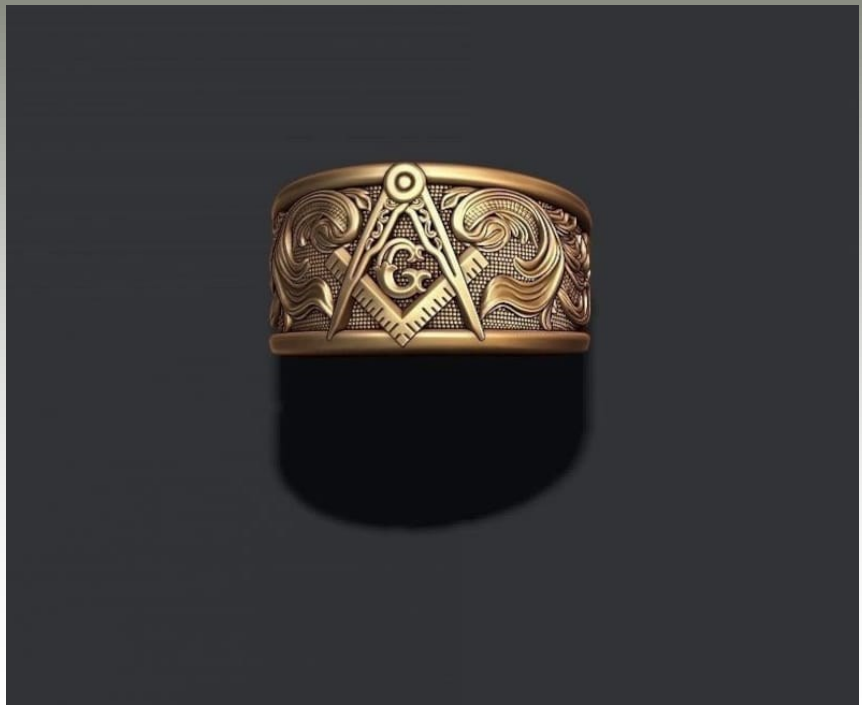
Masonic Ring

Good day Brethren,
Already February and I hope everyone survived the holidays without too much stress. Now just pay off those credit cards and life goes on. Just a reminder that Valentine's Day is here. A happy Wife is a happy life. Also, the Lost Dutchman Outdoor Degree is coming up fast. March 4, if you haven't registered yet please do so soon.

I had a chance to read a cool article that I'd like to share, from the (Ohio) York Rite bulletin from 2016. It's titled, Could You Pass This Masonic Test.

A Mason, who always wore his Masonic ring and a lapel pin in public, on some occasions rode the bus from his home to the downtown area. On one such trip, when he sat down, he discovered that the driver had mistakenly given him a quarter too much change. As he considered what to do, he thought, "You'd better give the quarter back. It would be wrong to keep it." Then he thought, "It's just a quarter, no one would bother with this small amount. Anyway, the company gets enough fare, and they will never miss it. Accept it as a 'gift from God' and stay quiet.

When his stop came, he paused at the door and then handed the quarter to the driver and said, "Here you gave me too much change." The driver smiled and said, "I noticed your Masonic ring and lapel pin. I have been thinking lately about asking a Mason how to join. I just wanted to see what you would do if I gave you too much change. You passed the test. Can you tell me how to become a Mason?" When



the Mason stepped off the bus, he said a silent prayer, "O Grand Architect of the Universe, I almost sold you and my beloved Masons for a mere quarter."

Our actions are the only Masonic creed some will ever see. This story is an example of how people watch us as Masons and may put us to the test without us realizing it. Remember, whenever you carry the name or a symbol of Masonry in public, you can never tell who might be watching.

Meet on the Level, and part on the Square.
Please be safe and enjoy the cool weather,
Spring is not far away.

Fraternally,

Dewey Jefferson

Past Master

White Mountain Lodge No. 3

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White Mountain History

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Frank Stapleton Secty

Deceased:
Silas Lee McGinness

Demits:
Jimmie Duncan

Anniversary Pins presented:
50 year -Browning

Lodge voted to donate \$ 25.00 to the Jobs Daughters
Lodge voted to donate \$25.00 to Pinal Corrections for cleaning of cemetery

Grand Lodge: Oscar T Lyon Jr. elected Junior Grand Warden

CELEBRATE!

WHITE MOUNTAIN BIRTHDAYS

Feb 1st	Roy Putnam
Feb 11th	Paul Brooks.
Feb 21	Jim Boutwell
Feb 24th	Daniel Miranda
Feb 28th	Lawrence Predmore

WHITE MOUNTAIN MASONIC ANNIVERSARIES

2.1.2011	Bobby Brisbin
2.4.1961	Harold Benjamin
2.2.2005	Steve Doran
2.14.1966	Johnny Saban
2.18.2010	William Ainsworth
2.19.1991	James Mills
2.21.2015	David Miranda

Desert Nomad

Travelin' Man

The Journey of Life

What a gift the Creator has given us! Something so precious yet taken for granted by many who struggle to find purpose or direction. To the Travelin Man, the direction is known, always moving forward. I've been running whitewater rivers since I was 21 and have found that for me, floating down a river is a metaphor for living a proper life. I'd like to share that philosophy of living and the choices in life through an essay by a friend.

Meanders
by G Stahl

Placid reflective pools give way to destructive torrents, only to be transformed once again into something new, always evolving, always moving, ever toward some mysterious destination that can't be until arrival. If the river is life, then we are the river, and along the way tributaries offer sustenance, and strength is restored. If we are passengers, the river's strength can toss and churn when unexpected horizons appear. When I am one with the river, I can use her strength to surmount the insurmountable. She reveals eddies when arms are weary. She calms when reflection is needed. And she plays! My does she play! And so, I am faced with a choice. I can sit on the shore among rooted willows and cottonwoods, watching life burble by with little splashes



and patters. I cannot see where it is going, and I cannot know what challenges lay ahead. But to remain where I am is to watch it drift by.

An afternoon breeze flirts with my cheeks. The summer sun warms my shoulders. And butterflies gnaw at my stomach, moths chewing on the linen of my equanimity. Because it's hard to face fear. It's hard to go to someplace unseen. It's hard to commit to something over which you are powerless. But it is Life! It is the River! Staying on the shore was never really an option in the first place.

So brethren, be that Travelin' Man. Don't get distracted by the ease and comfort of the shore. Get in the flow and stay in the current! I'll see you downstream.

Fraternally,

Stephen Englund PM
2023 Junior Warden
White Mountain Lodge No. 3

A Famous Freemason

Bro. Donald Swanson born at Geise Distillery, about two miles from Thurso, on 12 August 1848. He was the youngest child of brewer John Swanson and his wife Mary. The distillery, which closed in 1851, is now long gone and ruined buildings now mark the spot. Mr Swanson was still a boy when his family left Geise and moved to a home in Thurso's Durness Street.

He attended Robert Meikle's Parish School in Thurso's Market Place, before going to the Miller Institution. After leaving school, Mr. Swanson was a teacher for a time at the Miller Institution, which is today a public library.

In 1867, Mr Swanson left on a horse-drawn stage-coach with the aim of getting himself to London. His 83-year-old granddaughter Mary Berkin said: "When you are 20 the world is your oyster and I suppose he thought 'if I get on that stagecoach I will get to London eventually and make my fortune'." In 1868, the young man joined the Metropolitan Police. Bro. Swanson rose through the ranks and earned promotions to sergeant, detective inspector and detective chief inspector in 1888 - the year of Jack the Ripper's murder of five women in the Whitechapel area.

In 1896 he was made superintendent of the force's criminal investigation department. During his long career in the police, Bro Swanson handled investigations into some of the worst crimes of the Victorian age. He was involved in the arrest of murderer Percy Lefroy Mapleton in 1881.

Mapleton planned a robbery on a train from London to Brighton. He targeted a former stockbroker, killing the man by throwing him out of a carriage after unsuccessfully shooting at him with a revolver.

Bro. Swanson was involved in two other major investigations that same year. One led to the recovery of jewellery worth £250,000 stolen from a Lady Alice Bective. Later, Mr Swanson found himself back in Scotland tasked with hunting down a gang of grave robbers who stole the body

of an aris-



tocrat and demanded a ransom for its return. A stone cross still marks the spot where the Earl of Crawford's body was found unceremoniously buried in woods near Dunecht in Aberdeenshire. In 1884, the detective helped in the hunt for those responsible for a prolonged bombing campaign, and four years later tackled his most gruesome case.

Jack the Ripper murdered five women in the Whitechapel area of London. In private notes, Chief Inspector Swanson named "Kosminski" as the killer. In more modern times, writers have named Polish-born Aaron Kosminski as a suspect. Mr Kosminski, a hairdresser who arrived in England in 1882, had a history of mental illness. He was allegedly spotted at the scene of the murder of Elizabeth Stride, believed to be the Ripper's third victim. Mr Wood said: "According to Swanson's annotations, Kosminski was a prime suspect. "He went insane and was committed to an asylum where he died shortly afterwards."

In 1903, the Scottish detective, who frequently returned to Thurso for holidays, retired on a pension of £280-a-year. Bro. Swanson died in Surrey on 24 November 1924 and was buried at Kingston cemetery.

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 chooses children with very needed clothes and school supplies.

This amazing endeavor should be 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.

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White Mountain Lodge No. 3 joins FACEBOOK

To better reach out to the local community and share information with the 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 the 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 as a whole!

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!



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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.

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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

WHAT IS A COMMON GAVEL ?

THE COMMON GAVEL IS ONE OF THE WORKING TOOLS OF THE ENTERED APPRENTICE MASON. IT IS MADE USE OF BY THE OPERATIVE MASON TO BREAK OFF THE CORNERS OF THE ROUGH ASHLAR, AND THUS FIT IT THE BETTER FOR THE BUILDER'S USE, AND IS THEREFORE ADOPTED AS A SYMBOL IN SPECULATIVE MASONRY, TO ADMONISH US OF THE DUTY OF DIVESTING OUR HEARTS AND CONSCIENCES OF THE VICES AND SUPERFLUITIES OF LIFE, THEREBY FITTING OUR MINDS AS LIVING STONES FOR THAT SPIRITUAL BUILDING, THAT HOUSE MADE NOT WITH HANDS, ETERNAL IN THE HEAVENS. IT BORROWS ITS NAME FROM ITS SHAPE, BEING THAT OF THE GABLE OR GAVEL END OF A HOUSE; AND THIS WORD AGAIN COMES FROM THE GERMAN GIPFEL, A SUMMIT, TOP, OR PEAK -- THE IDEA OF A POINTED EXTREMITY BEING COMMON TO ALL... THE TRUE FORM OF THE GAVEL IS THAT OF THE STONEMASON'S HAMMER. IT IS TO BE MADE WITH A CUTTING EDGE, THAT IT MAY BE USED TO BREAK OFF THE CORNERS OF ROUGH STONES, AN OPERATION WHICH COULD NEVER BE EFFECTED BY THE COMMON HAMMER OR Mallet. THE GAVEL THUS SHAPED WILL GIVE, WHEN LOOKED AT IN FRONT, THE EXACT REPRESENTATION OF THE GAVEL OR GABLE END OF A HOUSE, WHENCE, AS HAS BEEN ALREADY SAID, THE NAME IS DERIVED. THE GAVEL OF THE MASTER IS ALSO CALLED A HIRAM, BECAUSE, LIKE THE ARCHITECT, IT GOVERNS THE CRAFT AND KEEPS ORDER IN THE LODGE, AS HE DID IN THE TEMPLE

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