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Greetings from the Grand Master of Ohio

We all recall the wonderful day of April 27, 2002, when more than 7,700 men were raised to the **Sublime Degree of Master Mason** in Ohio. On this one day, more men were raised than in any previous one day in Freemasonry's history. We reversed 42 continuous years of losses in membership in Ohio, and actually showed an increase in 2002. What a great day!

After many requests, I have decided to permit another One-Day Class. Each of the 25 Districts in Ohio will have a One-Day Class in March 2003. If a candidate is unable to attend a One-Day Class in his own district, he may be able to attend in a neighboring district. The District Advisors of each district can easily coordinate such a transfer.

I urge each member of our fraternity to support this program. We all know a friend or relative who for one reason or another has been unable to join a Masonic Lodge. Perhaps he is under time constraints; perhaps he feels he cannot memorize the catechism. Regardless of the reason, now is the time to introduce that candidate to our fraternity.

I am asking that no shortcuts on the investigation of these candidates be made. I believe that the quality of the men raised in April 2002 was outstanding. Many of those men are now officers in our Lodges. I expect nothing less in March 2003.

You, the membership of our great fraternity, can make a difference.

My beloved brethren, I ask you to assist me in "*Building a Brighter Tomorrow.*"

Fraternally and sincerely,
William P. Mayberry, Sr.
Grand Master



Note to One-Day Class candidates: Registration forms are available on the Ohio Grand Lodge Web Page:

www.freemason.com

Registration forms must be sent to your District Advisor by the due date.

10 Reasons to Become a Mason

Masonry is a place to spend time with good men who will make you want to become a better man.

Masonry is a place where moral virtue is taught and respected as the cornerstone of life.

Masonry is a place where the spiritual growth of every member can rise to its fullest potential.

Masonry is a place to become better prepared for service to your family, your church and your community.

Masonry is a place where you can be part of a great fraternity that believes in Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.

Masonry is a place where you can support others and give them encouragement as well as receive it yourself.

Masonry is a place where outstanding individuals from every walk of life will greet you and call you "Brother."

Masonry is a place to meet community leaders and take an active part in community activities.

Masonry is a place where you will find unlimited opportunity to acquire leadership experience, self-development and personal growth.

Masonry is a place where you can be sure every man is a true and trustworthy friend.

Courtesy: First Masonic District of Ohio Officers Association

Tnx Wor. Bro. John Ochmann, WA8NDL



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WORDS OF WISDOM FROM KING SOLOMON

The Gavel

The common gavel is one of the working tools of an Entered Apprentice. It is made use of by Operative Masons 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 minds and consciences of all the vices and impurities of life, thereby fitting our bodies as living stones for that spiritual building not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

It borrows its name from its shape, being that of the *gable* or *gavel* end of the 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 stone-mason's hammer. It is to be made with a cutting edge, as in annexed engraving, 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 already been said, the name is derived.

The gavel of the Master is also called a "**Hiram**," because, like that architect, it governs the Craft and keeps order in the Lodge, as he did in the Temple.

Tnx *The Encyclopedia of Freemasonry*
and
Its Kindred Sciences
by

Dr. Albert G. Mackey 33°

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The Handshake



One of the myths heard outside the Lodge is the belief that membership of the Freemasons is closed. Although openings to women are limited the movement accepts men of all races and religions.

The organization is far from being a secret society, and Freemasons are free to publicly acknowledge their membership.

And for those concerned about backroom business deals sealed with a secret handshake, Freemasonry condemns members who use their connections to promote their business or personal interests.

Tnx Bro. Dennis P. Moriarty, K8AGB,
aka "Sparkie the Clown."



Fighting back with a Phone!

Here's a good one from the pages of the French e-magazine *La Companion*. It's the story of fighting back with a cellular telephone.

Maybe it's all Internet-lore, but supposedly a female bus rider in a Paris suburb was annoyed by a loud-mouthed cellular telephone user a few rows in front of her. The fellow was so boisterous that she could not even hear her companion seated right next to her.

Then the cellular bully supposedly made the mistake of mentioning his cellphone number during the conversation. A few minutes later, the lady picked up her own phone, called the man and asked him to: "...be quiet please."

But he refused. In fact he was so incensed by the call that he started to use all kinds of unsightly language. That is until he finally realized where he was and that everyone on the bus was staring directly at him.

Undaunted, he supposedly stood up, uttered a few more choice words and exited at the next stop. The woman and her companion received a round of applause!

Tnx Amateur Radio Newline es Norm Seeley, KI7UP

Hamvention 2003 to celebrate "Year of the Young"

Dayton Hamvention—the world's largest Amateur Radio gathering and trade show—celebrates its 51st year and its 52nd show, Friday, May 16, through Sunday, May 18, 2003.

The focus in 2003 will be on the younger hams and attracting 12-to-18 year olds to Amateur Radio. Held at the Dayton, Ohio, Hara Arena complex, Hamvention includes forums; 500 inside exhibit spaces; and a 2500-plus space outdoor vendor area (a-k-a "the flea market.") *Dayton Hamvention* has become an Amateur Radio tradition for the 25,000 or so amateurs and visitors who attend each spring. More information is available on the Hamvention Web site: <<http://www.hamvention.org>>.

Tnx ARRL

HAM RADIO IN SPACE: RS-20 IN ORBIT

Russia has a new ham satellite in space. Well, kind of.....

According to the AMSAT News Service, the new ham radio bird is actually an Amateur Radio telemetry beacon operating as a secondary payload of a new Russian navigational and scientific satellite. It was launched on November 28, is at an altitude of 720 kilometers and circles the Earth every 99 minutes. Its beacons can be heard transmitting telemetry on 145.828 and 435.319 MHz. The new satellite has been officially named RS-20. (AMSAT NA)

Tnx Amateur Radio Newline

The Unanswerable Question

"Where and how may I discover the Lost Word?"

Nowhere, and in no way. In other rites you may receive other substitutes but the real Lost Word - never. This is the *unanswerable question*. The Lost Word is the most abstruse and most important symbol of the Fraternity; few, if any are less understood.

The Lost Word is not a syllable, or is it several syllables; "word" is here used as St. John used it: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."

The Lost Word is not discovered in Freemasonry; Masons are given a substitute. Of the Lost Word, it has been written: "*Never may we find it here. You shall gaze through microscope and telescope and catch no sight of its shadow. You shall travel in many lands and far and see it not. You shall listen to all words of all the tongues which men have ever spoken and will speak - the Lost Word is not heard. Were it but a word, how easy to invent another! But it is not a word but The WORD, the great secret, the unknowableness which the Great Architect sets before his children, a will-o- the wish to follow, a pot of gold at the end of the rainbow. Never here is it to be found, but the search for it is the reason for life.*"

"The Sublime Degree teaches that in another life it may be found. That is why it is the Sublime Degree."

Tnx The Masonic Service Association
One Hundred One Questions About Freemasonry
March 15, 1955



Hiram's Hams Caps!

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Thanks to Brother Ben Driver, N8JUD, for his efforts in making these Hiram's Hams Caps possible!



Congratulations!
to
Bro. Richard W. Holst



I Am Freemasonry

By: Bro. Ray V. Denslow

I was born in antiquity, in the ancient days when men first dreamed of God.

I have been tried through the ages, and found true.

The crossroads of the world bear the imprint of my feet, and the cathedrals of all nations mark the skill of my hands.

I strive for beauty and for symmetry.

In my heart is wisdom and strength and courage for those who ask.

Upon my altars is the Book of Holly Writ, and my prayers are to the One Omnipotent God, my sons work and pray together, without rank or discord, in the public mart and in the inner chamber.

By signs and symbols I teach the lessons of life and of death and the relationship of man with God and of man with man.

My arms are widespread to receive those of lawful age and good report who seek me of their own free will.

I accept them and teach them to use my tools in the building of men, and thereafter, find direction in their own quest for perfection so much desired and so difficult to attain.

I lift up the fallen and shelter the sick. I hark to the orphan's cry, the widow's tears, the pain of the old and destitute.

I am not church, nor party, nor school, yet my sons bear a full share of responsibility to God, to country, to neighbor and themselves. They are freemen, tenacious of their liberties and alert to lurking danger.

At the end I commit them as each one undertakes the journey beyond the vale into the glory of everlasting life.

I ponder the sand within the glass and think how small is a single life in the eternal universe.

Always have I taught immortality, and even as I raise men from darkness into light, I am a way of life.

I Am Freemasonry

Tnx Right Wor. J. Eric Adams, District Deputy Grand Master of the Eighth Masonic District of Ohio

Tnx Wor. Bro. Richard "Dick" Blaney, KYCH, WB8MHE



New Hiram's Hams Sweetheart

Sister Debbie McMillian, KC8OXX, Charleston, West Va,
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WORDS OF WISDOM for radio amateurs

by: F.C.C. Special Counsel,
Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH



✓ **Keep personal conflicts OFF the air. Settle your arguments on the telephone, the Internet or in person. Just keep them off the air.**

✓ **Cutting a net or a contester a break, even if you don't have to and even if you have no interest whatsoever in nets or contesting.**

More "Words of Wisdom" de K4ZDH, next month

Editors Note: The December 2002 edition incorrectly listed Riley Hollingsworth's call as "K4ZHD."

SOME BIRTHPLACES OF FREEMASONRY


continued from December 2002

And over all were the Freemasons.

These were as distinct from other Masons as is the architect today distinct from the bricklayer or the quarrymen who works with dynamite, drills and wedges to quarry the rock the builder puts in place.

So important was the Freemason of the Middle Ages - the Cathedral building age - that he was often known as "The King's Master Mason" and history records his name and work in connection with many a "Bible in stone" as great Cathedrals have been so aptly called.

In his *Freemason's Guide and Compendium*, Bernard E. Jones has shown that a long line of important craftsmen help the regular appointment of King's Master One of the earliest was Henry, known also as Master Henry or Henry of Reyns, who was King's Master Mason from 1243 to 1253. He served Henry III at the building of Westminster Abbey, of which he is regarded as the architect. He was followed by John of Gloucester, who was Henry III's Master Mason until 1261, and responsible for work at Woodstock, Gloucester, and Westminster. Then came Robert of Beverly, under Henry III and Edward I, who worked at Westminster and on the Tower of London. Roger Alomaly was King's Master Mason from 1324 to 1327, chiefly at the Palace of Westminster.

The King's Master Masons had the rank and standing of a first-class architect of today, as is made clear from the dignities offered them. Henry III gave Master Henry a gown of office; John of Gloucester was granted the annual provision for life of two robes with furs of good squirrels, of the quality issued to the Knights of the Household. Robert of Beverly received the royal gift of a tun (sic) of wine, etc. At Bury St. Edmunds the Master of Masons received "board for himself in the Convent Hall as a gentleman and for his servant as a yeoman, the gentleman's livery for himself and the yeoman's for his servant." It was usual to provide the Master Mason with house and clothes. 

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MASONIC GATHERING



Greetings Brethren,

Each Sunday evening at 8:30 CST, a group of Masonic hams meet in The FREEMASON ROOM of eQso (<http://www.eqso.net> for freeware download).

The net is called the "MASONIC GATHERING," and all Masonic amateur radio operators are invited to join in the fun.

Fraternally,

Bro. Dick Brown, KE5R



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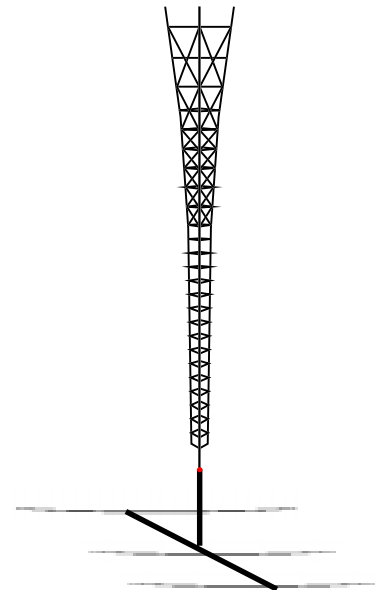
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January 18	Missouri Valley & Ray-Clay Amateur Radio Clubs	E-mail: nem3238@ccp.com	St. Joseph, MO
January 19	Sunday Creek Amateur Radio Federation	http://hfradio.org/kc8aav	Nelsonville, OH
January 25	Winterfest 2003	http://strepeater.org	Collinsville, IL
January 26	TUSCO Amateur Radio Club	E-Mail: kb8wfn@tusco.net	New Philadelphia, OH
February 8-9	Dixie Fest Committee	http://www.dixiefest.org	Memphis, TN
February 9	Intercity Amateur RC & Maser	http://www.maser.org	Mansfield, OH
February 9	 Virginia Section Convention	http://www.frostfest.com	Richmond, VA
February 15	Algonquin Amateur Radio Club	http://www.nlem.org	Marlborough, MA
February 23	Briarpatch & Foot Hills Amateur Radio Club	rgwaller@psknet.com	Elkin, NC
March 15	Charleston Area Hamfest & Computer Show	k8wmx@juno.com	Charleston, WV
April 13	Raleigh Amateur Radio Society	http://www.rars.org/hamfest	Raleigh, NC
April 19	 Ararat Shrine ARC	http://www.homestead.com/dowdy/hamfest/hambash2000.html	Kansas City, MO
MAY 16-18	DAYTON HAMVENTION	http://www.hamvention.org/	Dayton, OH

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