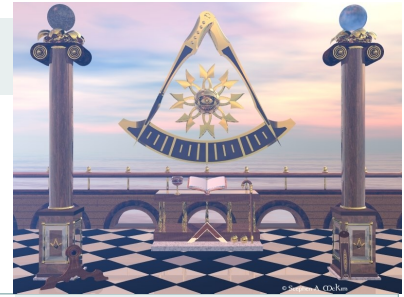


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January, February, and March 2021



FROM THE EAST

First of all, for those who could not be present at our Dec 8th Stated Meeting, congratulations to Bro Al Warner who received his 50 years a Mason pin and apron! And congratulations to Worshipful Brother Steve Beardsley who was awarded White River Lodge #62 Mason of the Year!

Brethren, what a year this has been. As we leave 2020 behind us (good riddance!) and look forward to the future, I am once again reminded of our Patron, St. John the Evangelist who represents our more polished, enlightened selves and as the earth plunges into darkness we are assured that the sun will once again rise to its fullest and the earth will become anew come springtime. Additionally, as caretakers of the “word” or “light of the world” until future generations discover it again, we are mindful that we are on the cusp of passing (depending on who is doing the calculations, we may already have passed) from the Age of Pisces to the Age of Aquarius, which represents a 2,160-year cycle of the star-decked canopy moving across our heavens. The Age of Aquarius we are told is the one where humanity rejects centuries old superstitions and moves from darkness to a more enlightened state of being. We can only hope. In the meantime, as Masons, we have an ancient charge to ensure that the ancient Master’s “word” continues to be safely guarded until it is again called for.

As my journey will now take me back toward the West, I will ever fondly remember these past two years as Master of White River Lodge #62. We had some great times and some rough times, but both are indicative of human life which is checkered with good and evil. And we persevered. I believe the Lodge is now stronger. In spite of all the limitations placed upon us this past year, we did a lot of great work, not only with bringing so many new members through the degrees, but we did well with our modified BBQ which enabled us to provide fairly substantial donations to our charities. Still, lots of work to be done though, we have a candidate that needs to be initiated; a Brother joining us from another jurisdiction; 6 Entered Apprentices, and 2 Fellow Crafts! What a problem for our small Lodge to have!

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2021 DUES ARE DUE BY DECEMBER 31, 2020

- White River Lodge \$138
- Mizpah Chapter OES \$35.00
- Winslow York Rite—\$119.50 for Sir Knights



FROM THE EAST CONTINUED

Very soon we will have a new Master and a new officer line, some of which will be brand new Master Masons! New Master Larry Pedersen and the 2021 officer line will be installed on 21 Jan 2021. Brother Larry, I congratulate you on being elected by your Brethren; and look forward to serving you with freedom, fervency, and zeal!

Paul Diaz

Worshipful Master White River Lodge 2019-2020

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MIZPAH CHAPTER'S WORTHY MATRON

Despite the challenges of this year, Mizpah #57 fundraising has been very successful! The sales from recipe books have generated enough funds to quadruple our holiday season charitable giving- all of it going to local charities. We have donated to Show Low food bank, Vernon food bank, Salvation Army, and the Love Kitchen. I'm grateful to all members of Mizpah #57 for their support with special recognition to Sister Marjorie Stockton for pulling it all together to make it happen.

We still have recipe books available for purchase. The cost is \$10 each (+ \$3 each if the books are to be shipped). Contact Marjorie Stockton 661-600-6837 or Christina Diaz 928-940-0318 if you wish to purchase a "Mizpah in the Mountains" recipe book.

Most, if not all of us are familiar with story of "The Wolf You Feed". This is an opportune time within this challenging year of 2020 to give attention to this story. This Season of Giving is also the perfect time of year to maintain focus on what we 'can do' and not so much on what we 'can't do'.

The Wolf You Feed

One evening an old Cherokee told his grandson about a battle that goes on inside people.

He said, "My son, the battle is between two "wolves" inside us all.

One is Evil. It is anger, envy, jealousy, sorrow, regret, greed, arrogance, self-pity, guilt, resentment, inferiority, lies, false pride, superiority, and ego.

The other is good. It is joy, peace, love, hope, serenity, humility, kindness, benevolence, empathy, generosity, truth, compassion and faith."

The grandson thought about it for a minute and then asked his grandfather: "Which wolf wins?"

The old Cherokee replied, "The one you feed."

Peaceful Holiday Season,

Christina Diaz WM

TO MEMBERS OF LODGE AND MIZPAH CHAPTER

Brothers and Sisters.

As we close out the White Beard and welcome the unshaven youngster, I want to congratulate everyone on making it this far. Why Sisters? One, I am a member of The Order of Eastern Star, Mizpah Chapter # 57. Two, as a MM you too can join as can your Spouse. Three, we also carry articles from the Star, if they desire to place one in our Trestle Board. Our editor and Webmaster, Brother Frank, is always in need of articles. 2020 has been a devastating year for fellowship, meetings, ritual work, incomes, travel, degrees, and many other circumstances.

The Supreme Being upstairs has called several of our Sisters and Brothers home this year and we wish to express our sorrow to those remaining. Fortunately, we have only had 4 Brothers and 1 Sister who has had COVID -19 or tested positive for it. All of which have recovered or are recovering. None of which is attributable to any lodge activities. On a brighter side we have 2 vaccines now available, developed within less than 9 months, a miracle in itself.

For the lodge we have 2 candidates, 6 Enter Apprentices, 2 Fellowcraft waiting for their degrees. Brothers: we have work to do.

Brother Clay Howard, Past Master, District Deputy Grand Master

| MASONIC BIRTHDAYS | | | | | |
|-------------------|-------|------------------|-------|-------------------|-------|
| JANUARY | Years | FEBRUARY | Years | MARCH | Years |
| Gary Butler | 47 | Kevin Eoff | 18 | Jimmie Adams | 23 |
| Paul Diaz | 16 | James Kasburg | 26 | Robert Burmeister | 35 |
| Adam Garrard | 14 | Thomas Lewis | 56 | W Randall Fox | 44 |
| Clayton Howard | 37 | Phillip Mandella | 6 | Ronald D Jones | 38 |
| Patrick Place | 9 | William B Sloan | 33 | Thomas Meyer, Jr | 14 |
| Rowle Simmons | 47 | Larry Valis | 39 | Kenneth Myers | 9 |
| Anthony Whetten | 52 | | | James Turnbull | 33 |
| | | | | Charles Williams | 27 |

DUES — AND NEW GRAND LODGE DATABASE

Gentlemen: If you are having difficulties do not hesitate to contact me or any of our past or present officers.

The Grand Lodge has a new database. Please contact me for your member Number so you can log in to the Grand View site. Your e-

mail, phone number and address can be verified by you once you log in.

Fraternally
Clay Howard
Secretary, White River Lodge #62
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SCHEDULES

Although there will be no Stated Meetings in January or February. , we will have Degree work and Practices. Only first names of candidates will be given below.

Tuesday January 12th -
First Degree 6:30 pm
for Andrew

Thursday January 21st
6:30 Installation of Officers

Saturday January 23rd
Third Degree 10 AM
for Gary.

Tuesday February 2nd
or 9th 6:30 pm. Fellowcraft Degree for Jason , Casey or Alberto.

Stated Meetings:

Lodge: March 9 at 7:00

OES: March 18 at 7:00

Winslow York Rite will be meeting in Winslow on January, 6 February 3, and March 3 with openings in the Royal Arch. Depending on the coronavirus activity, the The meetings may be on Zoom.

FROM THE UNDERGROUND

Whether in caves or quarries, masons have been known to meet in some unusual spaces.

By David Harrison, Ph.D.

The lights are dim and there's a distinct echo as shoes crunch over the dirt floor of this Masonic hall. Of course, it's no ordinary lodge: This is Zedekiah's Cave, the ancient quarry 30 feet beneath the streets of the Old City of Jerusalem, believed by some to be the site from which the stones of King Solomon's temple were sourced. Several times per year, the limestone cave plays host to Masonic celebrations, including a recent Mark Master degree organized by the Grand Lodge of the State of Israel.

It's an appropriately reverential setting for such an event—and, as it turns out, not that particularly unheard-of, either.

In fact, many lodges in both the United States and abroad have long histories of meeting inside caves. The cave has indeed been an important feature throughout the history of Freemasonry, as both a physical setting and a metaphysical symbol important to the Masonic ritual—as in the transition from primeval darkness into light in the First Degree initiation ceremony.

Caves even appear in certain degrees found in Richard Carlile's 1825 *Manual of Freemasonry*, such as the Degree of Scotch Master, which according to the manual mentions a cave near Aberdeen in Scotland. The Degree of Nine Elected Knights also involves a cave, where an assassin of Hiram Abif takes refuge—reminiscent of the Elu of Nine Degree in the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite.

As such, these underground settings tend to play a role in very special ceremonies. For instance, in 1967, more than 1,800 Masons in Salem, Indiana gathered to celebrate for the state's 150th Masonic anniversary inside one of the largest limestone quarries in the state. Similar meetings have taken place at a quarry in Marietta, Ohio, where tilers posted on horseback shouted down



The Masonic Grand Lodge of Arizona meeting in a cave of the Copper Queen Consolidated Mining Company in Bisbee on November 12, 1897

from the rim of the quarry to report. It isn't just man-made caves, either: In Kentucky, Masons have met inside Mammoth Cave, while Oregon's Malheur Cave is the site of a yearly meeting of the Robert Burns Lodge No. 97. And in New Mexico, the historic Carlsbad Caverns have also played host to Masonic ritual.

Closer to home in Amador County, the small town of Volcano held its first several Masonic meetings during the Gold Rush inside a small cave near Sutter Creek. (The lodge later moved into a building above the cave.) Today, the site still belongs to Volcano Lodge No. 56—although given the 1,300-foot drop at the back of the cave and some perilously situated limestone boulders, it's been closed down at least temporarily. So while it's no longer used to confer degrees, its aura of mystery and majesty remains thankfully intact.



CARPENTRY IN ANCIENT ROME

Frank Edens

Reading about carpentry in ancient Roman times is interesting and enlightening. Smoothing wood to make furniture and buildings smooth using the crude tools of the time was exceedingly difficult.

Carpentry in ancient times was very a difficult profession. Carpenters had to start by cutting down trees to obtain raw material. Although much of the extremely hard work was done by slaves, skilled carpenters were like today's contractors who had to bid on jobs and protected themselves through contracts that included arbitration clauses. Craftsmen could not go to the local Ace Hardware to buy T-squares or other tools, they were skilled in mathematics, but the Romans had little respect for pure mathematics, it was not taught. The knowledge had to be passed down from father to son. The Romans classified carpenters in the same class as other skilled craftsmen. Every five years craftsmen had to register with the census, they had to list wives, children, slaves, possessions, and wealth; otherwise, property could be confiscated, and they and their families taken into slavery.

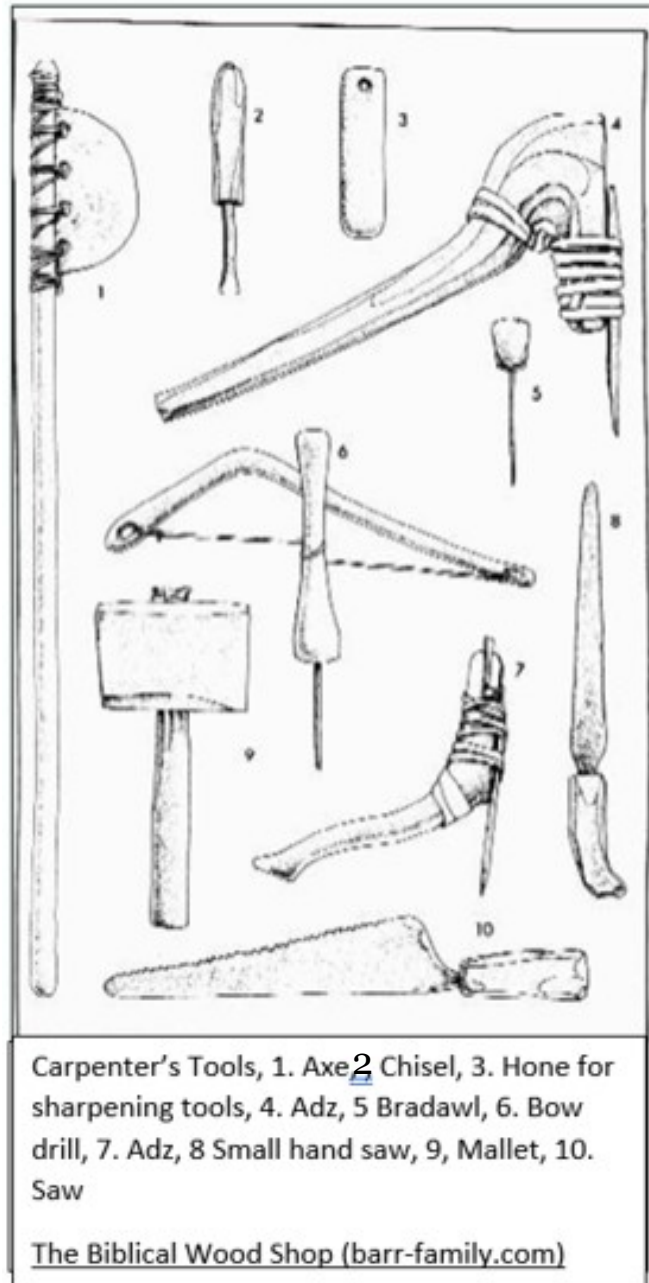
These craftsmen were usually members of guilds who guarded their architectural skills closely and secretly. Projects by carpenters included work on temples, creating water wheels for harnessing the power of water, making furniture, and building structures. They assisted in the use of cement for many building projects. During the time of Christ, Israel was more technologically advanced than other parts of the Roman empire. There were water systems in aqueducts under cities such as Jerusalem. Mining and metal working were also important for Israel to produce goods and crafts for the army and royals.

In her book *Jesus*, the author, Tricia McCannon, portrayed carpenters as men of learning. The term carpenter was at one time a metaphor for "one who builds the temple of God within himself." Joseph was portrayed in the Protevangelion as a well-respected older member of the community, a member of the Essenes or Great White Brotherhood, and a builder by trade.

Today many believe Joseph was a simple carpenter. This research indicates that carpenters may have not only been skilled craftsmen, but they were better educated than others in their era. They were the designers and architects of major projects. I believe they were far from simple people.

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Galileo Galilei and the Seven Liberal Arts and Sciences

By: Frank Edens, PM

The liberal arts are grammar, rhetoric, logic, arithmetic, geometry, music, and astronomy. Observe that higher mathematics encompass the study of arithmetic, logic, and geometry; it also includes grammar and rhetoric to communicate the various concepts to students. Geometry influences art and drafting, which are very interrelated, through such concepts as perspective. Please notice that the term 'liberal' has nothing to do with modern day politics, it has to do with the broad knowledge of basic principles required for a person to become well-educated.

Galileo Galilei (1564-1642) is known as the father of modern physics. He was also an artist who was trained in the most up to day concepts of perspective for his time. He lived in a time before photography existed that caused him to use art to communicate his observations. He also lived before modern clocks existed and had to use an ancient water clock to measure time, he related this time measurement to his own internal sense of time that he developed through the study of music.

Galileo's father was a music teacher and theorist. Some of the music that his father wrote still exists today. His mother was also well educated. Galileo developed an interest in astronomy at a young age. Galileo's father wanted him to study medicine, but when Galileo went to college, he found he had a passion for mathematics.

Galileo studied art at the *Accademia dell'Artid del Disegno* (Florentine Design Academy) in 1585. He was elected a member of the academy in 1613. One of the key areas he studied was linear perspective that artists use to render objects in three dimensions and he was extremely interested in visual representations. He was friends with many of the artists of the day who revered him for his drafting ability.

While teaching mathematics and astronomy at the University of Padua in 1609, he learned about the newly invented telescope from Holland. Galileo made an improved telescope that could magnify 20 to 30 times. His observations using the telescope included:

The moon had an irregular surface with mountains, craters, and plains. This was in opposition to the Aristotelian view that the moon was a perfect spherical body.

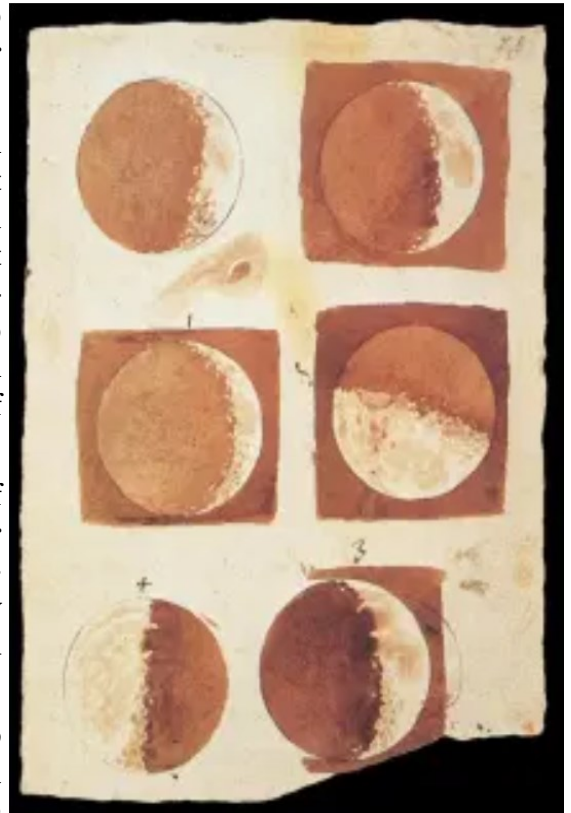
The Milky Way was composed of thousands of stars that could not be observed with the naked eye.

The four largest moons of Jupiter

Sunspots

Venus displays phases like those of the moon.

Recognized the significance of a new star appearing in the sky in 1604 that was brighter than Jupiter and that remained in the sky until 1606 – this star was later to be known as Kepler's Star that is believed to have been an exploding supernova.



Galileo's drawings of the moon
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Galileo Galilei and the Seven Liberal Arts and Sciences—continued

He published his observations in *Sidereus Nuncius* (Star Messenger). His art training helped him understand how to draw spheres and the influence of light and dark areas he observed on the moon. He compared how he saw mountains and valleys on the earth around sunrise to the observations he saw on the moon.

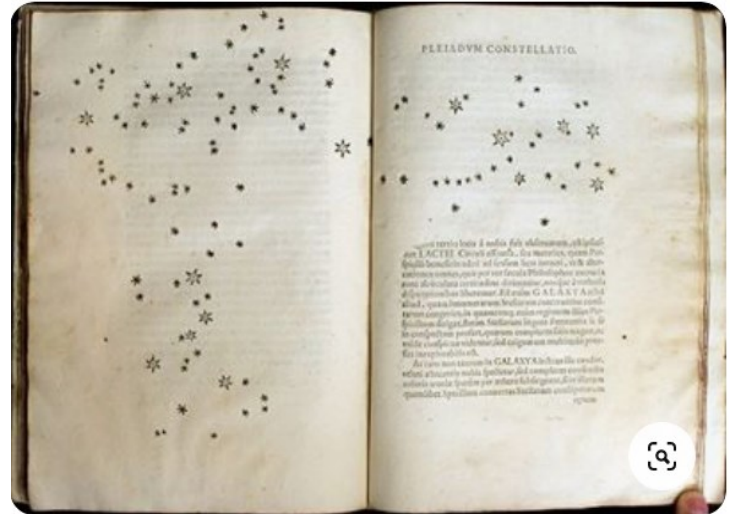
In the subject of physics, Galileo studied the following:

The strength of building materials. This research greatly influenced architecture and the selection building materials for structures.

The science of mechanics that is concerned with inertia and the forces that create motion.

Mathematically related pitch to frequency associated with the length and tension of the strings of musical instruments.

Created the scientific method that guided future scientists to organize their research.



Galileo's drawings of the Pleiades star cluster and Orion constellation from *Sidereus Nuncius*, 1610 - <https://www.pinterest.com/pin/262686590738917725/>

Isaac Newton was born the same year Galileo died; Newton completed the laws of motion that Galileo had started. Newton's laws are still valid today even after Albert Einstein revised them for situations pertaining to speeds of objects approaching the speed of light. Many other researchers such as Robert Hooke and Leonhard Euler further studied the strength of materials.

In fine, Galileo's research of Galileo contributed greatly to mankind's knowledge that future scientists expanded upon. He is an example of a person who was well schooled in the seven liberal arts and sciences.

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Learning Ritual

An article to assist very busy brothers learn ritual is on our Website under the tab Learning Ritual - White River 62 (www.whiteriverlodge62.org)

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