

From the East



The Cable Tow

"I drew them with the cords of a man, with bonds of love."

Hosea, xi 4.

The Cable Tow is thus a symbol of the cord of bond of Love, which should unite the whole fraternity. Its length or the length of your Cable Tow is the sacrifice you are willing to make on behalf of your brethren. It is in your heart, not to be measured by miles. It is not gauged by distances, but by deed. It should correspond to the immensity of the monitorial lodge, and to do so should span the earth, touching wherever there is sorrow or distress. In Masonry we have many symbols for the few grand principles upon which it is founded - Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth. As we get away from the letter and discern the spirit, which lies behind, we have unfolded to us a new and intensely interesting science, and as we mould our lives upon our new understanding of Masonry, we become better Masons, and as a consequence better men.

Brethren, as today's society has gotten more and more intense, I feel there is no better time then now to remember our Cable Tow. We mustn't spread ourselves too thin, but also not forgetting to help one another, whether it be our brothers or fellow humans. It is necessary to find that perfect length of our cable tow: ensuring that we don't extent our cable tow too far while still doing our part to help.

See Everyone in Lodge,

Richard W. La Raw

Worshipful Master

From the West



Constitution and Laws TITLE TWO: ANCIENT CHARGES CHARGE VI OF BEHAVIOUR, VIZ.: IN THE LODGE WHILE CONSTITUTED

1. You are not to hold private Committees, or separate Conversation, without Leave from the Master, nor to talk of anything impertinently or unseemly, nor interrupt the Master or Wardens, or any Brother speaking to the Master; nor behave yourself ludicrously or jestingly while the Lodge is engaged in what is serious or solemn; nor use any unbecoming language upon any pretense whatsoever; but to pay due Reverence to you Master, Wardens and Fellows, and put them to worship. If any Complaint be brought, the Brother found guilty shall stand to the Award and Determination of the Lodge, who are the proper and competent Judges of all such controversies (unless you carry it by Appeal to the GRAND LODGE), and to whom they ought to be referred, unless a Lord's Work be hindered the meanwhile, in which case a particular Reference may be made; but you must never go to Law about what concerneth Masonry; without an absolute necessity apparent to the Lodge.

Behaviour After The Lodge Is Over And The Brethren Not Gone

2. You may enjoy yourselves with innocent Mirth, treating one another according to Ability, but avoiding all Excess, or forcing any Brother to eat or drink beyond his Inclination, or hindering him from going when his Occasions can him, or doing or saying anything offensive, or that may forbid an easy and free Conversation, for that would blast our Harmony, and defeat our laudable Purposes. Therefore no private Piques or Quarrels must be brought within the door of the Lodge, far less any Quarrels about Religion, or Nations, or State Policy, we being only, as Masons, of the Catholic Religion above mentioned, we are also of all Nations, Tongues, Kindreds and Languages, and are

resolved against all POLITICKS, as what never yet conduced to the Welfare of the Lodge, nor ever will. This Charge has been always strictly enjoined and observed; but especially ever since the Reformation in BRITAIN or the Dissent and Secession of those Nations from the Communion of Rome.

Behaviour When Brethren Meet Without Strangers, But Not In A Lodge Formed

3. You are to salute one another in a courteous manner, as you will be instructed, calling each other Brother, freely giving mutual Instruction as shall be thought expedient, without being overseen or overheard, and without encroaching upon each other, or derogating from that Respect which is due to any Brother, where he not a Mason; For though all Masons are as Brethren upon the Level, yet Masonry takes no Honour from a Man that he had before; nay rather it adds to his Honour, especially if he has deserved well of the Brotherhood, who must give Honour to whom it is due, and avoid ill Manners.

Behaviour In Presence Of Strangers Not Masons

4. You shall be cautious in your Words and Carriage, that the most penetrating Stranger shall not be able to discover or find out what is not proper to be intimated; and sometimes you shall divert a discourse, and manage it prudently for the Honour of the Worshipful Fraternity.

Behaviour At Home And In Your Neighborhood

- 5. You are to act as becomes a moral and Wise Man; particularly, not to let your Family, Friends, and Neighbors know the Concerns of your Lodge, &c., but wisely to consult you own Honour, and that of the ancient Brotherhood, for Reasons not to be mentioned here. You must also consult your Health, by not continuing together too late, or too long from Home, after Lodge hours are past; and by avoiding Gluttony and Drunkenness, that you Families be not neglected, or injured, nor you disabled from Working.
- 6. You are cautiously to examine him, in such a Method as Prudence shall direct you, that you may not be imposed upon by an ignorant false Pretender, whom you are to reject with Contempt and Derision, and beware of giving him any hints of knowledge.
- 7. But if you discover him to be a true and genuine Brother, you are to

respect him accordingly; and if he is in want, you must relieve him if you can, or else direct him how he may be relieved. You must employ him some days, or else recommend him to be employed. But you are not charged to do beyond your Ability, only to prefer a poor Brother, that is a good Man and true, before any other poor People in the same circumstances. FINALLY, All these CHARGES you are to observe, and also those that shall be communicated to you in another way; cultivating BROTHERLY LOVE, the Foundation and Capstone, the Cement and Glory of this Ancient Fraternity, avoiding all Wrangling and Quarreling, all Slander and Backbiting, not permitting others to slander any honest Brother, but defending his Character, and doing him all good Offices, as far as is consistent with your Honour and Safety, and no further. And if any of them do you Injury, you must apply to your own or his Lodge; and from thence you may appeal to the GRAND LODGE at the Quarterly TITLE Two: ANCIENT CHARGES TITLE Two: ANCIENT CHARGES Communication, and from thence to the Annual GRAND LODGE, as has been the ancient laudable Conduct of our Forefathers in every nation; never taking a legal course but when the case cannot be otherwise decided, and patiently listening to the honest and friendly advice of Masters and Fellows, when they would prevent you going to Law with Strangers, or would excite you to put a speedy period to all Lawsuits, that so you mind the Affair of MASONRY with the more Alacrity and Success, but with respect to Brothers or Fellows at Law, the Master and Brethren shall kindly offer their Mediation, which ought to be thankfully submitted to by the contending Brethren; and if that submission is impracticable, they must however carry on their Process, or Lawsuit, without Rancor (not in the common way) saying or doing nothing which may hinder Brotherly Love, and good Offices to be renewed and continued; that all may see the benign influence of MASONRY, as all true Masons have done from the Beginning of the World, and will do to the End of Time.

Stay Safe Stay Well,

Arthur A. Pelzer

Senior Warden

From the South



Founding Fathers of New Jersey Freemasonry

Most of us will be surprised to learn that legends from centuries ago were associated with **Noah** and his connection to Masonry. The oldest Masonic document in the world, the Regius MS, dated about 1390, mentions **Noah** as does the next oldest Masonic document, the Cooke MS, dated about 1410, which mentions **Noah** and his family as well. The legend is told in both charges, with minor variations, how the four prior children of **Lamech** [Genesis 4:20-22], **Noah's** father [Genesis 5:28-29], were the founders of all the crafts.

Jabal was the founder of geometry. Jubal was the first musician. Tubal was the first blacksmith and worked with brass, copper, iron, silver and gold. Naamah was the founder of the craft of weaving. It is interesting to note that Tubal, mentioned in the old charges, is referenced in the Bible as Tubal-Cain, a name well known to all Masons. Jabal, Jubal, Tubal and Naamah, fearing that the world was to be destroyed by the Great Flood, together decided to inscribe all the sciences that they had founded onto two pillars of marble and brick. Noah was commanded by God to build the Ark in preparation of the Great Flood. In so doing, Noah utilized several of the sciences established by Lamech's prior children and important in Masonic teaching. Most apparent in the creating of the Ark was use of the science of geometry.

Noah taught the seven liberal arts and sciences of Masonry to his descendants, notably his three sons, **Shem**, **Ham**, and **Japheth**. The usage of the arts and sciences continued with **Noah's** great grandson [Genesis 10:8], **Nimrod**, King of Babylonia. **Nimrod**, the great architect of the Tower of Babel, used this knowledge throughout the tower's 53 years of construction. After the Great Dispersion, when God confused the language of the builders, architect **Nimrod**, the great-grandson of **Noah**, continued his teaching of the craft as he built several cities between Tigris and Euphrates. Eventually, the skills of construction and sciences dispersed to all the nations of the world.

Mackey explains the phenomena of the enlightenment of the Masonic craft by comparing the legend of the Tower of Babel to current Freemasonry and the confused state of an initiate. Mackey also used the terms "Noachida" and "Noachite" in his writings. These terms were first mentioned in Anderson's Constitutions, first published in 1723, wherein he called a Mason "a true Noachida" or "Noachite," as it was believed that **Noah** and his three sons were all Masons.

In conclusion, **Noah**, the savior of animals and man from the Great Flood, was also the keeper and propagator of the seven liberal arts and sciences, preserving the knowledge for all mankind, and therefore, often referred to as the first Grand Master.

Act by the Plumb,

Michael T. Galati

Junior Warden

Nominations

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(Vote for 3)

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David A. Dorworth Covenant Lodge #161

Bernard J. Madgey, V Laurel Lodge #237

Note: For information on pending legislation to be balloted upon at the Annual Communication, visit our website at www.mountmoriah28.com



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Grand Master's Open Installation & Reception

Installation

Thursday, April 20th at 2pm

Bally's Atlantic City - Convention Room, 1900 Pacific Avenue, Atlantic City, NJ

Reception Saturday, April 29th

Masonic Fellowship Center, 1114 Oxmead Road, Burlington, NJ

3:00pmChurch Service at the5:00 pmDinnerMasonic Home Chapel6:30 pmReception4:00 pmSocial Hour

\$65 PER PERSON FOR THE RECEPTION

Advance reservation only, no later than April 15th. No tickets sold at the door.

For those attending the installation only, there is no charge and no reservations are necessary; however we request that you contact the Grand Marshal, Keith Herman, with your intention to attend at **kaherman@msn.com**

Please make checks payable to Sunrise Lodge No. 288 and mail to:

R.W. Arnold "Butch" Elliott 38 Main Street, Flanders, NJ 07836

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Please mail the completed slip below with your check:

Grand Master's Open Installation	and Reception	
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Craftsman Club News



Meals Followed by

Meeting

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Breakfast/Brunch

May 14, August 20, November 19

6 P M

Dinner

June 19, October 16, December 18

Great opportunity to have a fine meal and fellowship at a modest price, \$10 per person.

Open to Mount Moriah Lodge #28 Members, their Families, & Friends

All tickets must be purchased in advance. No tickets at the door. Tickets are available in advance of each dinner at our regular communications, or by contacting Bro. Jim Potts at (609) 306-5447, Bro. Mike Onofri at (609) 298-8163, or Nicholas Manocchio at (609) 775-5536

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- 1966 Edgar N. Peppler, P.G.M.
- 1977 John McCoy
- 1980 Ronald R. Meadows
- 1982 Robert W. Alpaugh
- 1983 Harry S. Forman, Jr.
- 1985 Michael Grenz, P.G.C., P.G.Mar.
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- 1992 Thomas V. Petito
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- 1994 Holmes L. Hay
- 1995 William F. Walling, P.G.C.
- 1996 F. Gerry Spence, P.D.D.G.M.
- 1997 Carl H. Doan, P.G.C.
- 1999 Mark Dempsky

- 2001 James F. Anderson
- 2002 Charles V. Anderson
- 2003 Richard F. LaBaw, Jr., P.G.S.B.
- 2004 William D. Pigott
- 2005 Henry P. Fratz, P.D.D.G.M.
- 2006 Roger K. Fisher
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- 2008 Ned A. Koble
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- 2010 P. Brian Sisz, P.G.C., G.L. Trustee
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- 2012 Dean J. Buhrer
- 2013 George A. Chidley, P.G.C.
- 2014 Robert J. Pigott
- 2015 Jose G. Gonzalez
- 2016 Ted M. D'Annunzio, Sr.



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- 1981 Robert E. Petersen (Warren Lodge)
- 1988 Frank L. Blades (Woodstown Lodge)
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- 1994 John R. Parke (Gothic Fraternal)

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Our Lodge Trustees

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Our Lodge Committees

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In and About the Temple

Brethren, you and your Masonic friends are cordially invited to participate in the following Masonic events:

April

- ∽ Apr. 2 7:00pm: Entered Apprentice Degree Rehearsal. All Officers are required to attend and all Brothers are welcome to attend.
- ∽ Apr. 4 7:30pm: District Lodge of Instruction, hosted by Burlington #32, 2308 Route 541, Burlington, NJ. All Officers are required to attend and all Brothers are encouraged to attend.
- **Apr. 9 7:00pm:** Entered Apprentice Degree Rehearsal. *All Officers are required to attend and all Brothers are welcome to attend.*
- **Apr. 12** 7:00pm: Regular Communication, Annual Debate with Burlington Lodge. *All Officers are required to attend and all Brothers are welcome to attend.*
- Apr. 16 9:00am: Bagels & Coffee
 9:30, 10:45am: Sunday Services, Wheelchair Push at the
 Masonic Home. All are welcome! Our residents rely on us to fill this need.
 We start helping our family members at 9:00am, so come early and have time to socialize with your Brothers. Park in the Foundation parking lot across from the Chapel and come into the Chapel entrance to sign in.
- **Apr. 16** 7:00pm: Entered Apprentice Degree Rehearsal. All Officers are required to attend and all Brothers are welcome to attend.
- ∼ Apr. 18-20 All Day: Annual Communication, Grand Lodge.
- **Apr. 23 7:00pm:** Entered Apprentice Degree Rehearsal. *All Officers are required to attend and all Brothers are welcome to attend.*
- **~ Apr. 24 7:00pm:** Craftsman Club Meeting.
- ~ Apr. 26 7:00pm: Entered Apprentice Degree. All Officers are required to attend and all Brothers are welcome to attend.
- ∽ Apr. 27 7:30pm: "Poker Night" at Lewis Parker Room. (See ad)
- ∼ Apr. 30 7:00pm: Fellow Craft Degree Rehearsal. All Officers are required to attend and all Brothers are welcome to attend.

May

- ✓ May 2 7:30pm: District Lodge of Instruction, hosted by Beverly Riverside Lodge #107, 621 S Chester Ave, Riverside, NJ. All Officers are required to attend and all Brothers are encouraged to attend.
- ➤ May 7 7:00pm: Fellow Craft Degree Rehearsal. All Officers are required to attend and all Brothers are welcome to attend.
- **May 10 7:30pm:** Regular Communication. Gold Token Night.
- ∼ May 13 8:30am: Grand Lodge of Instruction (HTMT).
- ∼ May 14 8am-noon: Craftsman Club Breakfast. (See ad)
- **May 14** 7:00pm: Fellow Craft Degree Rehearsal. *All Officers are required to attend and all Brothers are welcome to attend.*
- ➤ May 20-21 All Day: Annual Bordentown City Street Fair. Volunteers needed. Details will be posted in the May Trestle Board.
- **May 21** 7:00pm: Fellow Craft Degree Rehearsal. *All Officers are required to attend and all Brothers are welcome to attend.*
- ∼ May 22 7:00pm: Craftsman Club Meeting.
- ∼ May 24 7:00pm: Fellow Craft Degree. All Officers are required to attend and all Brothers are welcome to attend.
- ∼ May 25 7:30pm: "Poker Night" at Lewis Parker Room. (See ad)
- ∞ May 28 7:00pm: Master Mason Degree Rehearsal. All Officers are required to attend and all Brothers are welcome to attend.

• POHER NIGHT • • Spend an Evening of Fellowship with your Brothers! • APRIL 27TH •••• MAY 25TH 7:30pm at Mt. Moriah Lodge #28, Lewis Parker Lounge • 10 BUY IN WITH 1 RE-BUY • Pizza will be ordered · Bring your favorite beverage • Please register in advance by calling W.B. Roger K. Fisher at (609) 234-6024 or emailing PleasePokeFun@me.com



Mason's Progress

Pending Committee Report & Ballot

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Special Events

Grand Lodge of New Jersey



For more detailed information, please look for the full ads in future issues of our Trestle Board:

Event	Date(s)
Grand Master's Open Installation	4/20
Grand Marshal's Reception	4/29
Annual Communication	4/18 to 4/20
Grand Master's Reception	4/29
Junior Grand Warden's Reception	10/7
Feast of St. John	12/2

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