

Masonic Events in Southern Arizona March 29 - 31

Thursday Mar 29

8:00a -9:30a Sahuaro High 12 Club Molly G's 903 E. Ft. Lowell Road Tucson

Friday Mar 30

8:00a -5:00p Masonic Education Academy Laughlin NV

Saturday Mar 31

8:00a -5:00p Masonic Education Academy Laughlin NV

Go to <http://arizmasons.org/SpecialEvents.htm> to see flyers on the following events

Apr 01 17th Annual Sabbar Shrine Motorcycle Poker Run

Apr 12 Shriner Dinner Meeting "Shriners Helping Children" Program

Apr 21 Oasis 52's 4th Annual Spring Masonic Family & Friends Night

May 5 Huachuca 53's 50th Anniversary Celebration

May 31-Jun 02 Grand Lodge 125th Annual Communication Flagstaff Registration Form

May 31-Jun 02 Grand Lodge 125th Annual Communication Flagstaff Agenda

Nov 11 Oasis 52's 7th Annual Poker Run

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If your event is not listed it because no one has told us about it and we are not quite clairvoyant. Look at our master calendar at <http://my.calendar.net/MandWAssc> to see if we know about your next event. Archived issues of this newsletter can now be viewed at <http://arizmasons.org/TheDailySpam.htm>. You can also unsubscribe at that site.

Masonic Trivia and Education

There was no publication for March 27 and 28 because I was OBE (Overcome by Events) but I will try to publish while I am in Laughlin

For the sixth time in history, a pre-revolutionary Bible owned by the Masonic order was to be used for the swearing in of a U.S. president.

George W. Bush had intended to take the oath of office as the nation's 43rd president on the historic Masonic bible. George Washington was the first, in 1789. The last was George H.W. Bush, who used the Bible in 1989.

On Friday, 19 January 2001, three officials of the Manhattan-based St. John's Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons boarded an Amtrak liner for Washington, D.C., carrying the nine-pound, 234-year-old King James Bible in a special container. At Union Station, they were met by inaugural committee officials and escorted to the inaugural site. They were literally waiting in the wings in a room adjacent to the inauguration platform when, at the 12th hour, a decision was made (attributed to the Vice President, but not confirmed) not to jeopardize the Bible because of the rain then pelting the area.

Bound in London in 1767, the Bible was brought to the colonies and given by Jonathan Hampton to the St. John's Lodge in lower Manhattan three years later when he became its grand master.

Just before Washington was to take his oath of office on the steps of Federal Hall in New York City on April 30, 1789, it was discovered that there was no Bible on hand. The then-New York Gov. Robert Livingston, a Masonic grand master, borrowed the lodge's bible from St. John's Masonic Lodge, which had meeting rooms just a short distance away. A statue of Washington marks the site in front of the present-day Federal Hall on Wall Street.

No printer in the colonies produced Bibles at the time, and the London import, bound in maroon Moroccan leather with silver hasps, was "probably close to a year's wages for the average fellow." Despite its age and history, the lodge today puts no monetary value on the book. "I guess the word is priceless," a representative said.

Other presidents who have placed their left hand on the Masonic Bible were Warren G. Harding in 1921, Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1953, and Jimmy Carter in 1977. Among the six, only Washington and Harding were Masons.

Harry Truman, probably the most active Mason among the nation's chief executives, did not use it, nor did several other Masons who served as president.

In 1867, President Andrew Johnson, attending the dedication of a new Masonic temple in Boston, asked that the George Washington inaugural Bible be brought to his hotel room, and was seen by aides "to weep as he held it in his hands".

In addition to its role in presidential oath-taking, the Bible was used at Washington's funeral in December, 1799, the dedication of the Washington Monument in Washington, D.C. in 1885, the re-laying of the U.S. Capitol's cornerstone in 1959, and the christening of the aircraft carrier USS George Washington at Norfolk, Va., in 1992.

It was on display at the New York world's fair in 1964-65 and at the White House for 30 days after the elder Bush's inaugural.

Between travels, it is maintained by the National Parks Service in a protective display case at Federal Hall, open to Genesis 49, 50, the pages on which Washington rested his hand to be sworn in.

Thought for the day: Dream big – 8,789 Words of Wisdom by Barbara Ann Kipfer

Quote of the Day: "I've always thought experience to be a double-edged sword; you evolve from it, but sometimes it hurts you. Only one thing is for sure: You always learn from it. And that's what really matters." - Donald Trump in "The Art of the Comeback"

Logic Puzzle

It was a good sale. Beyond that, it was a great sale. Mittleman Electronics has its annual blowout "Into Temptation" sale, and drastically slashed their prices. On the first day of the sale, five people entered into Mittleman's just looking for a small item and each walked out with different large appliance. No two people went in to Mittleman's in search of the same item. From the information provided, determine the first and last names (one first name is Lionel) of each shopper, the item for which each was looking and the major appliance each purchased (one was a microwave oven).

1. Jill Derby is not the one who went into the store looking for cassette tapes and left with a VCR.
2. The one surnamed Rosen is not the one who was shopping for a new toaster.
3. Pat, who was looking for a new iron, is neither the one named Platt nor the one surnamed Rosen, and is not the one who ended up buying a new television.
4. The person who bought a new freeze, who is not the one surnamed Yates, is neither the one who went into the store looking for an extensions cord nor the one who was looking for a toaster.
5. Sylvia, who is not the one who bought the freezer, is not the one surnamed Rosen.
6. Colin surprised himself by purchasing a new vacuum cleaner.
7. The one surnamed Mackay had gone into the store looking for a new kettle.

The following can be deduced from the above and is keyed to the printable matrix that can be found at <http://www.arizmasons.org/DailySpam/20070320PartialSolution.pdf> each day I will add another deduced clue until someone sends in a complete solution.

- a. From Clue 1 we know of one first and matching name what she wasn't looking for and what she bought: Jill Derby, not cassette tapes and not VCR

- b. The person looking for cassette tapes bought the VCR
- c. Pat was the person looking for the iron (Clue 3) and not surnamed Platt or Rosen and did not buy the television. Since we have established that Pat's surname could not Derby (Clue a), Platt, or Rosen (Clue c) it must be Yates because Pat was looking for the iron (Clue c) and Mackey was looking for a kettle (Clue 7)
- d. Sylvia surname is not Rosen nor did she buy the freezer (Clue 5)
- e. Colin bought the vacuum cleaner (Clue 6)
- f. Rosen was not the one looking for a toaster (Clue 2)
- g. Yates did not buy the freeze nor was he/se looking for extension cord or toaster (Clue 4)
- h. Pat was look for the iron (Clue b) and the person looking for cassette tapes got the VCR (Clue b) so Pat did not get the VCR