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"I Have Come To You Again"

Brother Dave Thomas



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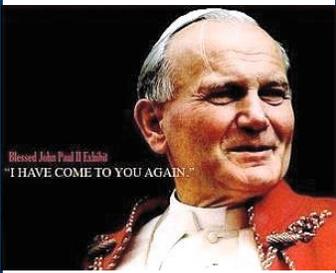
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"I Have Come To You Again"

A BIG DEAL for Lubbock! An exhibit of personal items from the life and work of Pope John Paul II has opened right here in Lubbock.



The exhibit called "I Have Come to You Again" runs through May 31 at the Catholic Renewal Center 4620 4th St. in Lubbock. It's the first stop on a U.S. tour for the display. Visitors to the exhibit will view

Blessed John Paul II's personal possessions as they see and hear the events of his miraculous life unfold on museum guide screens.

The experience will take visitors through four phases of his life:

- ◆ The childhood and adolescence of Karol Wojtyla (1920-1938);
- ◆ His years as a laborer, priest, bishop, archbishop and cardinal in his native Poland (1939-1978);
- ◆ His years as the first Polish Pope of the Roman Catholic Church; and
- ◆ The time from his death through his beatification (2005-

Present)

The exhibit consists of about 130 artifacts of "personal belongings, vestments, his crosier, historic documents from his service as head of the Vatican state and as one of the most influential world leaders of his time, photos, paintings, sculptures, and much more. Exhibit items come from the Vatican City State; Krakow, Poland; and twenty-eight other museums and private collections.

Lubbock will be the first of only three cities in the U.S. to host the exhibit.

\$15.00 - Adults +\$5.00 - Interpretive Audio

Programs & Announcements

Don't forget your taxes are due Monday, April 15!

Saturday, April 6 is the day for the Yellowhouse Lodge 1st Annual Cook-off to see which Master Masons are the "Master Grillers" You may grill any type meat you desire, to be shared with all those attending. This is free

open Family event and Picnic. Meat judging is at 1:30 and the meal is served at 2PM. Those attending should also bring a large side dish and a desert for the meal. Contact Glen Ashcraft at 806-239-0542 for further details.

This month we have our

"Dining out" at Texas Land and Cattle Company.

Finally, if you have an idea for or would like to present a program for April's stated meeting, let us know.





From the East— Definition of Freemasonry in all times and places
Worshipful Master Elmer "Coke" Etgen

Freemasonry is an oath-bound fraternal order of men; deriving from the medieval fraternity of operative Freemasons; adhering to many of their Ancient Charges, laws, customs, and legends; loyal to the civil government under which it exists; inculcating moral and social virtues by symbolic application of the working tools of the stonemasons and by allegories,

lectures, and charges; the members of which are obligated to observe principles of brotherly love, equality, mutual aid and assistance, secrecy, and confidence; have secret modes of recognizing one another as Masons when abroad in the world; and meet in lodges, each governed somewhat autocratically by a Master, assisted by Wardens, where peti-

tioners, after particular enquiry into their mental, moral and physical qualifications, are formally admitted into the Society in secret ceremonies based in part on old legends of the Craft.



"The grand object of Masonry is to promote the happiness of the human race"

Washington



Penny for Your Thoughts: A Message From the West
Senior Warden James Urban

I hope that this month finds you well. April is upon us, and there are many things to think about and prepare for as we move through. One reminder is the Grand Master's conference later this month. I've heard a report that it is definitely a good conference, and I encourage all master mason's to attend.

Additionally, I want to express my thanks for the sup-

port this lodge has shown for the hilltop degree. Later this month, we will have our first monthly hilltop meeting to discuss the questions posed to develop this year's program. At the time of this writing, a location and time for this meeting has not been determined, but I will plan on announcing it at stated meeting.

Lastly, it is time for everyone

to start preparing for certificate examination in August. This includes conferring and lectures. If you want to work feel free to come out to floor practice and I can help with almost any part of the work.



From the South—MY RELIGION

Junior Warden Glen Fant

When talk turns to religion
 I have notions of my own,
 Have my version of the Bible,
 And things I think alone.

And I find them satisfying,
 Find them comforting to me,
 Though I wouldn't lose my temper
 If you choose to disagree.

For religion as I see it,
 Is a pathway to the goal,
 And it's something to be settled
 Between each man and his

soul.

Now I'm not a Roman Catholic,
 But I wouldn't go so far
 As to fling away the friendship
 Of the ones I know that are.

I've lived and neighbored with them,
 Come to love them through
 and through.

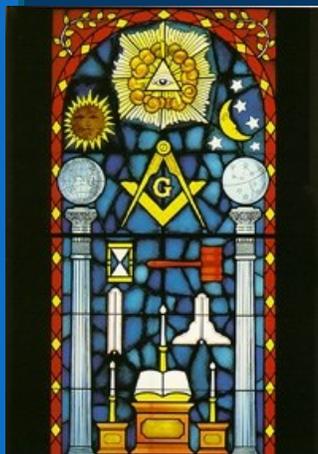
I've respect and admiration
 For the kindly things they do.

I've known Methodists,

Baptists, Lutherans,
 Scientists and Jews,
 Whose friendship is a treasure
 That I wouldn't want to lose.

So when the bigots talk religion
 I just settle back and see Every
 helpful, loyal friend Each
 church has given me.

From The Royal Arch Mason -
 1962



"Remember not only to say the right thing in the right place, but far more difficult still, to leave unsaid the wrong thing at the tempting moment."

Benjamin Franklin



From the Secretary Jerry Hendrick *Taking Care of Business*

Don't forget the Grand Master's Conference! - Saturday, April 27, 4:00 p.m., Lubbock Scottish Rite, 1101 70th St, Lubbock 79412. YOU MUST HAVE A CURRENT DUES CARD FOR ADMISSION. For more information contact Bob Clemmons, 806-535-4276.

Texas Masonic Retirement Center Reminder:

Duplex Open, Plus Six New One-Bedroom Apts At Texas Masonic Retirement Center. Texas Masonic Retirement Center announces the availability of a two-bedroom, two-bath duplex unit on the beautiful one-hundred-acre campus in Arlington, Texas.

All accommodations at Texas Masonic Retirement

Center include three delicious meals served daily, weekly housekeeping services, and a wide array of entertainment options. For more information, visit the website at www.txmrc.org or contact them at 817.275.2893.



From the Senior Deacon Kevin Rush *Visiting Brothers & Prospects*

Last month we had the following guests attend our stated meeting: Bob Clemmons, 33°, PM, Richard Francis, Glen Ashcraft and Rolan Pirtle, all of Yellowhouse Lodge.

Keep thinking about what you want to do you want to do as a leader in the next masonic year. We are moving closer to new leadership. Do you want to be an officer? Let the current war-

dens know of your desires.



Let us endeavor so to live that when we come to die even the undertaker will be sorry.

Mark Twain



From the Senior Steward Alan Jolly *Food, Flowers & Frolic*

Hello to all!

Last month the chili frito pie was gobbled up and enjoyed – sorry if you couldn't make it. Please make time in your busy schedule to come and join us.

As always, this poor steward needs your

help ... Please contribute to the cause and put a few dollars in the jar.

Don't forget April 26 is the Past Masters and Masonic widows dinner. We will be having smoked flank steak, red roasted potatoes, green beans, tossed salad, and rolls.

We look forward to seeing everyone.

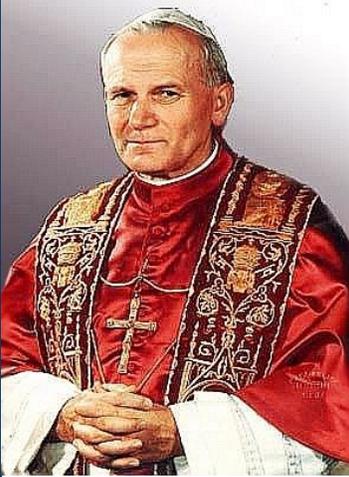


Upcoming Menu for April:

Deli Sandwiches and Chips.

"I Have Come To You Again" - con't Brother Dave Thomas

Tour (optional)
\$10.00 - Seniors 60+
\$10.00 - Students (Grade
School & College)
FREE - Children under 5
years of age (STILL NEED A
TICKET)

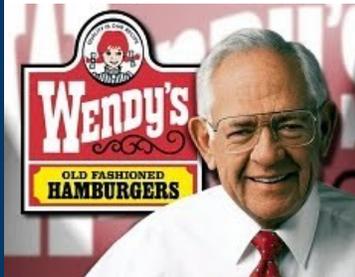


In August 1978, following the death of Pope Paul VI, Cardinal Wojtyła voted in the Papal conclave which elected Pope John Paul I. John Paul I died after only 33 days as Pope, triggering another conclave. Pope John Paul II was the 264th Pope according to the chronological list of popes, and the first non-Italian in 455 years. At only 58 years of age, he was the youngest pope since Pope Pius IX in 1846, who was 54.

John Paul II made a lasting imprint on the Roman Catholic Church during his 26-year papacy. He visited 116 countries, promoting church teaching on personal behavior and public morality and

condemning what he said was a decline of spiritual values brought about by the rising materialism of the twentieth century. In one of the most dramatic points of his papacy, John Paul was shot by a Turkish gunman in St. Peter's Square. Reflecting on his survival of that assassination attempt, the pontiff later said that it was his firm belief that he owed his life to Mary having "guided" the bullet to a less deadly path. John Paul was the first pope to publicly ask forgiveness for the Church's past sins - including mistreatment of Jews and other non-believers.

Brother Dave Thomas July 2, 1932 - January 7, 2002



American businessman and founder of the Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption, Rex David Thomas, was born in Atlantic City and adopted at six weeks. As founder of the Wendy's restaurant chain, his appearances as spokesperson have made their advertising campaign the longest running in history. Thomas, realizing that his success as a high school dropout might convince other teenagers to quit

school (something he later claimed was a mistake), became a student at Coconut Creek High School. He earned a GED in 1993. Thomas was inducted into the Junior Achievement U.S. Business Hall of Fame in 1999.



Thomas was also a Freemason at Sol. D. Bayless Lodge No. 359 Fort Wayne, Indiana, and a member of the Shriners; he received the honorary 33rd degree in 1995. He was also an honorary Kentucky colonel, as was fellow Brother Colonel Sanders. Thomas was posthumously awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2003.

Initiated: April 13, 1959
Passed: April 20, 1959
Raised: May 25, 1959

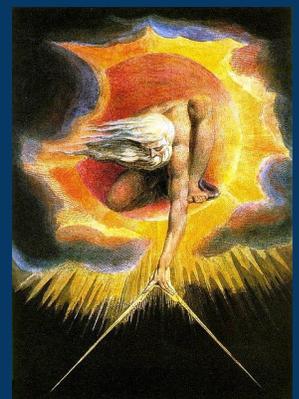
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Lubbock 1392 in Action



Brother Hayden Baldock is smiling and happy and as you can see, Brother Joe Sanders his instructor, is downright giddy after Hayden turned in his Master Mason proficiency. CONGRATULATIONS HAYDEN!



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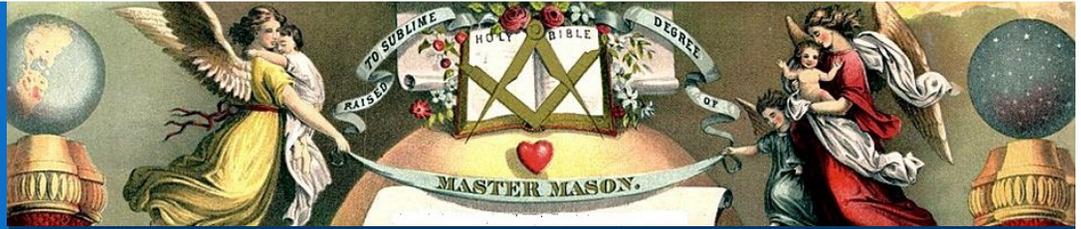
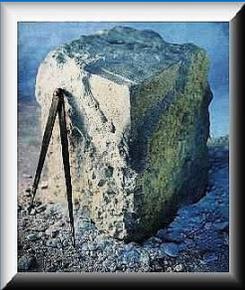
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Meetings:
Second Friday of each
month, 7:30 p.m.
Meal: 6:30pm

Floor School:
Every Tuesday @ 7p.m.

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Brotherly Love, Relief & Truth

This Month's Sickness & Distress



Bob Clark



Please take the time to visit our sick and distressed; send them cards or call them on the phone, and be sure to keep them in your prayers.

If you know of sickness or distress with a brother or his family, please let us know.

This Month's Brothers & Birthdays

James Owens 4/1
Glenn Fant 4/4

The Quarry: Our Esoteric Work By Bro. Joe Sanders

One has heard the trite expression "A little knowledge is a dangerous thing." or "I know just enough to get into trouble." Then, there is the statement "Knowledge is wisdom."

Toward which expression are we, as individuals, moving? How much energy and enthusiasm are we as a lodge expending? How dedicated and focused are the members of the lodge toward im-



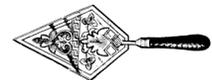
proving and to enhancing their ability to raise the efficiency score at the next examination?

Knowledge of and efficiency in the esoteric work is like a broken arm in a hard cast. If one does not use, one loses it. Challenge yourself to strengthen your degree of efficiency in the esoteric

work. Prepare yourself for the Proficiency Exam in August.

For some of the members of the lodge there could be aspirations of moving up in the positions and stations. Is your degree of mastery of the work sufficient to satisfy the vote of the members of the lodge?

Do not be lulled into complacency by the adoption of Resolution No. 9 as it pertains to requirements listed in Article 276a.2.



The things a man has to have are hope and confidence in himself against odds, and sometimes he needs somebody, his pal or his mother or his wife or God, to give him that confidence. He's got to have some inner standards worth fighting for or there won't be any way to bring him into conflict. And he must be ready to choose death before dishonor without making too much song and dance about it. That's all there is to it."

Blaise Pascal

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