



M.W. Bro. Henry Clay

8th, 10th and 13th Speaker of the U.S. House of Reps.

9th U.S. Sec. of State

U.S. Senator from Ky.

Member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Kentucky's 3rd district

FAMOUS MASONS: M.W. BRO. HENRY CLAY

Henry Clay, Sr. (April 12, 1777 – June 29, 1852), was a 19th-century American planter, statesman and orator who represented Kentucky in both the Senate and the House of Representatives, where he served as Speaker. He also served as Secretary of State from 1825 to 1829.

He was a dominant figure in both the First and Second Party systems. As a leading war hawk, he favored war with Britain and played a significant role in leading the nation to war in 1812. He was the foremost proponent of the American System, fighting for an increase in tariffs to foster industry in the United States, the use of federal funding to build and maintain infrastructure, and a strong national bank. He opposed the annexation of Texas, fearing it would inject the slavery issue into politics. Clay also opposed the Mexican-American War and the "Manifest Destiny" policy of Democrats, which cost him votes in the close 1844 election.

Dubbed the "Great Compromiser," he brokered important compromises during the Nullification Crisis and on the slavery issue, especially in 1820 and 1850, during which he was part of the "Great Triumvirate" or "Immortal Trio," along with his colleagues Daniel Webster and John C. Calhoun. He was viewed as the primary representative of Western interests in this group, and was given the names "Henry of the West" and "The Western Star." In 1957, a Senate Committee selected Clay as one of the five greatest U.S. Senators, along with Daniel Webster, John C. Calhoun, Robert La Follette, and Robert Taft. Abraham Lincoln, Whig leader in Illinois, was a great admirer of Clay, saying he was "my beau ideal of a great man." Lincoln wholeheartedly supported Clay's economic programs. Most Worshipful Bro. Clay was Grand Master of Kentucky. Please read more about this famous American and Brother.

For more information see: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Henry_Clay

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Masonic Education: Master Builder and Master Mason



Symbols of Masonry Building the Temple Masonry is Global and Universal



Master Builder

In an operative sense, a Master Builder is, a high intellect artificer, an architect, a skilful worker, who with proper materials such as was furnished by Solomon and Hiram king of Tyre, and placed in the hands of such a man as, "the widow's son of the tribe of Naphtali," we may readily understand the magnificence of such an edifice as the Solomonic Temple. However, with reference to Speculative Science and that spiritual builder, we cannot lose sight of that builder, who erects the Temples of living stones-teaching strict rectitude and justice towards his fellow-men; and that their demeanor should be marked by the level of courtesy and kindness; while uprightness of heart and integrity of action,

symbolized by the plumb, should be their distinguishing characteristics; and thus guided by the moveable jewels of Masonry, they may descend the vale of life and joy, of hope in being accepted by the Most High, as successful candidates for admission into the Grand Lodge above. 1 Kings 7:13-51 - 1 Cor. 3:9-17

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Master Mason

What is the symbolism of a Master Mason, and how represented? The Master Mason represents man, when youth, manhood, old age, and life itself, have passed away as fleeting shadows, yet raised from the grave of iniquity, and quickened into another and better existence. By its legend and all its ritual, it is implied that we have been redeemed from the death of sin and the sepulcher of pollution; and the conclusion we arrive at is, that youth, properly directed, leads us to honorable and virtuous maturity, and that the life of man, regulated by morality, faith, and justice, will be rewarded at its closing hour, by the prospect of eternal bliss. Romans 6:4-5

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Remember the Obligations you are under and hold them dear to your heart. Lead by example. May God Bless you and yours.

Bro. Bosie

FROM THE SOUTH

That's right. From the South. Our Worshipful Master has quite a bit on his plate this month (and year) and asked me to put something in "his" space. Again, I thank W. Bro. Bill for accepting the position as our Worshipful Master this year. He has taken this on in addition to serving as President of the Annual Olympia Community Festival and President or Chairman of the Annual Olympia High School Reunion Committee. Both of these endeavors are time consuming, in addition to his full-time jobs as husband, father, and owner of Yandle's Roadside Produce Market on Assembly Street. W. Bro. Bill loves his community and it shows, but he simply wants to give back what it gave him over the years. Our Worshipful Master wants no personal recognition or accolades, just to do the best job he can in whatever role he may be in. So whether he is wearing his "farmer's" cap or his Master's hat, Bro. Bill gives 100% in everything he does. His delivery of the Second Degree Lecture has earned him raves and requests from near and far to give the lecture at Lodges in our Grand Jurisdiction and (with the Grand Master's permission) Georgia! I hope you will come out soon and fellowship with us soon. Get to know your Worshipful Master and follow his great example of leadership and morality. Bro. Bosie



W. Bro. Bill Yandle



DISCOVERY OF THE 47TH PROBLEM OF EUCLID

Euclid wrote a set of thirteen books, which were called "Elements". Each book contained many geometric propositions and explanations, and in total Euclid published 465 problems. The 47th problem was set out in Book 1, which is also known as "The Pythagorean Theorem". Why is it called by both these names? Although Euclid published the proposition, it was Pythagoras who discovered it. We learn from the third degree lecture that: " This wise philosopher (Pythagoras) enriched his mind abundantly in a general knowledge of things, and more especially in Geometry, or Masonry. On this subject he drew out many problems and theorems, and, among the most distinguished, he erected this, when, in the joy of his heart, he exclaimed Eureka, in the Greek language signifying, "I have found it," and upon the discovery of which he is said to have sacrificed a hecatomb. It teaches Masons to be general lovers of the arts and sciences".

To the operative mason it affords a means of correcting his square, for if he wishes to test its accuracy he may readily do so by measuring off 3 divisions along one side, 4 divisions along the other, and the distance across must be 5 if the square is accurate. The knowledge of how to form a square without the possibility of error has always been accounted of the highest importance in the art of building, and in times when knowledge was limited to the few, might well be one of the genuine secrets of a Master Mason. The ancient temple

builders in the long centuries before Christ were most punctilious in setting their temples due east and west. So exacting were they on this point that there was organized a set of men who, in modern phrase, would be termed experts or specialists, and whose sole duty it was to lay out the foundations of public edifices.

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This is a BRIEF overview of the most important of the Liberal Arts and Sciences to Masons. I would urge you to look deeper by visiting the following link:

www.phoenixmasonry.org/4 7th problem of euclid.htm





Representation of the 47th Problem



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MASONS IN ACTION

MAKING GOOD MEN BETTER

BROTHERS IN DISTRESS

We all remember the instruction which tells us that we will aid and assist any worthy Brother in distress, but exactly what does this mean? Yes, if we see a car on the side of the road with a flat tire, we should offer assistance. That's an easy call. If we see certain signs or hear a certain plea, we are duly bound to go to the aid of the Brother so giving it. This, too, is an easy decision. We are Obligated to help in any way that we can. Not only SHOULD we, but we also should WANT to assist a fellow Mason, or any other person who might need our assistance. This, my Brother, is what the Craft is about. But this help is to stretch even further. You see, there are times when a Brother may need a kind word, or even more, a prayer. As I am writing this, Bro. Glyn Smith, our Senior Warden, is at Palmetto Richland with his father and our

SETTING THE WORK

February 1 - Regular Communication - 7:30

February 22 - Master Mason Degree - 7:30

March 1 - Regular Communication - 7:30

March 8 - Entered Apprentice Degree - 7:30 (*)

April 5 - Regular Communication - 7:30

JOIN US FOR FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP!

Any questions, please call

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or

Bro. Bill Yandle, W.M. at 803-600-4928

(*) Denotes tentative Special Communication

NOTE: ALL SPECIAL COMMUNICATIONS DEPEND ON THE BALLOT BOX AND THE CANDIDATES...

We eat at 6:45 and Meet at 7:30

Brother, General Smith. I would ask that you take a moment out of your busy schedule and stop to offer up a prayer to the Almighty and ask Him to bless and comfort the Smith family during the days ahead as well as these:

Bro. Walt "Butch" Taylor has gone through a most difficult time over the past few months and he, too, needs our thoughts and prayers. Bro. Robbie Lewis' son is facing a challenge as is W. Bro. Lawrence Schoff of Dentsville.

I know there are other concerns of both sickness and health that need to be addressed on a daily basis. My prayer list seems to grow with each passing day. We have SO much to be thankful for and yet, there is so much to be done to help out our Brothers and our fellow man.

As you count your blessings, please

remember those less fortunate than ourselves. Remember those who have lost their loved ones or those going through difficult times, be it mental or physical challenges they face. There is an old saying that "I was sad because I had no shoes, until I saw a man who had no feet." If you or someone you know is in need of a visit or simply a prayer, please let us know. These are difficult days filled with turmoil and strife. You can make a difference in the life of a friend, or Brother. You can make a difference in the life of a total stranger simply by extending your hand or with a smile and a nod. Remember that nothing, and I mean NOTHING, is more powerful than prayer and our Great Architect of the Universe. May He continue to bless and keep you all.



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