

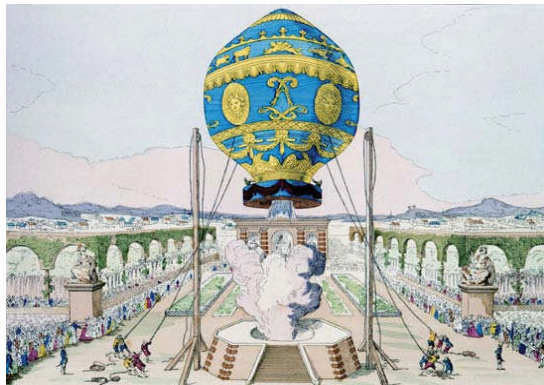
Mini-nuggets from the Quarry...



General John Morgan

In July of 1863, Confederate raiders rode into Versailles, IN, captured the local militia and then absconded with the county treasury. The next morning, Confederate General John Morgan learned that several of his men had also made off with the jewels of the local Masonic Lodge. The general was so outraged that he ordered the men to return the jewels immediately, apologize to the Masons, and then severely reprimanded six of his soldiers for their actions against the Lodge. Morgan was from Davis Lodge #22, Lexington, KY.

The letters of the English word GOD are the first three letters of Hebrew words for beauty, strength, and wisdom. G in Gomez, O in Oz, D in Dabar.



Masonic Lodge in a balloon

On August 23, 1879, Lodge #239 of France held a meeting in a large gondola suspended from a hot air balloon flying over Paris, at which time they initiated a new brother. In Launceston, Tasmania in 1844, St John's Lodge took part in the ceremony of the laying of a foundation stone of a local Jewish Synagogue. The 96th Regimental band attended with the permission of the colonel and played "Masonic Airs". The return was made to the lodge room with the band playing "Berne's Farewell" and the "Entered Apprentice".



Old North Church, Boston

Robert Newman, Sexton of "Old North Church" in Boston, was the man who hung the lantern to signal that 'The British Were Coming'. Paul Revere then rode through the countryside warning the colonists of the impending danger. Both were members of the same Lodge in Boston. Brother Revere served as Worshipful Master of 2 Lodges a total

of 9 times, was a Royal Arch Companion, a Knight Templar, and served 3 years as Grand Master in Massachusetts.

Many world leaders, politicians, presidents and members of royal families have claimed ties to the Craft. For example...In Africa - King Hassan II of Morocco was one, today president Idriss Deby of Chad, Denis Sassou of the Congo, Mamadou Tanja of Niger, Paul Biya of Cameroon, Blaise Compaoré of Burkina Faso, and Omar Bongo of Gabon are all Freemasons.



Prince Edward, Grand Master, UGLE

In England - the Grand Master is usually a member of the Royal Family. Currently it's Prince Edward, Duke of Kent. His Majesty King Carl Gustaf of Sweden is the High Protector of the Swedish Order of Freemasons. In the USA, many of our founding fathers as well as 14 presidents were Master Masons, along with 1 who was an Entered Apprentice, but never took further degrees.



Dr. Edward Jenner

Dr. Edward Jenner discovered the vaccination process against smallpox in 1789. He was Worshipful Master of Faith and Friendship Lodge #270 in Berkeley, England at the time.



Brother Edwin 'Buzz' Aldrin

When Astronaut, and Brother, Edwin 'Buzz' Aldrin set foot on the Moon, he carried with him an official declaration from his Grand Master claiming that the Moon was henceforth under the jurisdiction of the Great State of Texas. Should a Masonic Lodge ever be opened on that celestial body it will be opened using Texas ritual.

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