



# The Daylight Deacon



## Dona Ana Daylight Lodge #78 AF & AM

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### *Worshipful Master's Mission Statement*

It is my mission to increase the attendance and participation of the members of Dona Ana Daylight Lodge in the coming year. Bob Creason, Master

#### The bee-hive



The bee-hive is an important symbol in the third degree, and it is extensively mentioned in the lecture where it is depicted as a symbol of industry, hence the work of the Lodge, so that Masons should continue to learn in all stages of life. Bees are able to accomplish large tasks because they cooperate in force, a single bee can do very little. This is in parallel to Masonry, where strength is gained by the active participation of all its members.

The bee is also the emblem of several Greco-Roman and Indian gods, including Cupid and Kama, both gods of love. In Indian culture, a blue bee represents Krishna, a bee on a lotus leaf the God Vishnu, and a bee above a triangle represents Shova. The Egyptians believed that bees were born from the tears of the Sun-god, Ra. Bees were also depicted on many ancient tombs, as symbols of the afterlife and resurrection. This probably came from the fact that bees do not leave their

hive during the three month hibernation period, only to reappear later. Some compared this to Christ's resurrection, whereby his body vanished for three days, only to reappear after the resurrection.

Bees have been linked in many ways to the divine. Originally thought to have lived in Paradise, the Welsh tradition goes, they came down to earth to produce wax and honey - the wax to make candles for lights used in altars, and honey to sustain man. For this reason bees were considered lucky. If a bee entered a house, it was considered lucky, whereas in Wales a bee flying around a sleeping child was said to foretell a happy life.

Furthermore, bees' honey and sting are also associated with Christ and Judgment Day. In Ireland bees were legally protected, for they produce honey which in turn produces mead, the drink of immortality that flows in the Otherworld. In Christian allegory a queen bee sometimes represents the Virgin Mary, the hive symbolizing the Church. The coat of arms of Pope Urban VIII and Napoleon I, for example, depicts several bees. Author unknown

#### **From the East:**

Five has always been a sacred and mystical number; Pythagoras made of it a symbol of life, since it rejected unity by the addition of the first even and the first odd number. It was therefore symbolic of happiness and misery, birth and death, order and disorder—in other words, life as it was lived. Egypt knew five minor planets,

five elements, five elementary powers. The Greeks had four elements and added ether, the unknown, making a cosmos of five.

Five is peculiarly the number of the Fellow Craft's Degree; it represents the central group of the three which form the stairs; it refers to the five orders of architecture; five are required to hold a Fellow Craft's Lodge; there are five human senses; geometry is the fifth science, and so on.

In the Winding Stairs the number five represents first the five orders of architecture.

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### From the Secretary's Desk:

We have two new members and Brothers as of Saturday, October 20. We were finally able to straighten out date and availability problems, and we conferred the Entered Apprentice Degree on Mr. Brandon Seay and Mr. Trinity Seay. They'll be excellent Freemasons.

On another note, it's that time of year, and your Secretary will soon begin to send out 2008 dues notices. We ask that you send in your dues payment of \$70 as soon as you can.

Thanks.

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### Coming events:

#### Special Event

Dona Ana Daylight Lodge #78 A.F.&A.M.  
Mesilla, New Mexico, Nov. 1, 2007

You are hereby requested to attend a Stated meeting of this Lodge to be held on the Tenth day of November, 2007 at 9:00 AM, at the usual place of meeting.

This Communication is called for the purpose of recognizing our Past Masters (and the Membership/Mr. Mason?) of this Lodge. Your Lady is also invited to attend on this Special Occasion. Your attendance is especially needed to assist in honoring our Past Masters. A Brunch will be served at Lodge expense.

#### PROPOSED MENU

Juice  
Coffee

Egg and Sausage Casserole  
Enchiladas (Red & Green)  
Beans  
Biscuits  
Mixed Fruit  
(Small Danish)?

24 November 2007 DAD Stated meeting  
Election of officers.

8 December 2007 DAD Installation of officers

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