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Brethren,

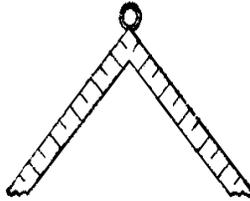
Our updated By-laws will be sent out shortly via mail. A special thanks should be given to our By-laws committee, our Secretary and to brother Tom Masters who took care of the printing.

JD

For more lodge history, visit our website at: [www.planomasoniclodge.org](http://www.planomasoniclodge.org)



**The Chronicles of Moses**



Brethren,

I hope that all of you that attended the George Washington Birthday Celebration had a wonderful time.

This year the stewards once again out did themselves... as usual. We had beef brisket, sausage, chicken, potato salad and much, much more.

Many thanks go to Al Drew, Adam DeMasellis and Clay Smith for preparing this fine and extensive meal.

We also had a special treat this year; Brother Chao Teng provided the desert for the celebration; two huge vanilla and chocolate cakes made by his brother. "They were delicious"

Last but not least, we were entertained by Peggy and Bill Lohr. They had us all tapping our toes and singing along. I appreciate everyone's help in putting this

event together.

This past month has been very exciting and March looks to be just as exciting.

We tentatively have five EA, two FC and three MM degrees for the month of March.

It looks as though we will be at labor on a couple of Saturdays, in March, to accommodate the degree load.

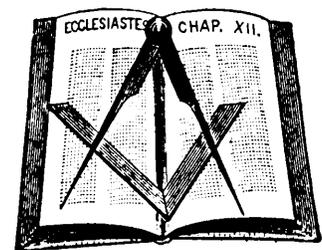
If you would like to work some degrees, let any of the officers know, and we will make sure to put you on the degree team.

As always, I look forward to seeing all of you.

Fraternally,

Your Worshipful Master,

Joe Moses





### **IRS Approves Museum & Library**

Brethren,

Have you ever wondered what it was really like to work on King Solomon's Temple? Or how about the Great Cathedrals of Europe? Or the great architectural works of early America? This is your chance!

It is with great joy that I am able to say we have finally received our non-profit ruling and that we are exempt from Federal income taxes under section 501(c)(3). This means that all donations made to the Museum and Library will be tax deductible for income tax purposes.

With our approval in hand, now we must set about with raising the funds needed to build a Temple to house this Museum and Library.

The first question everyone asks is "What will it look like?"

How many stories?

Will it have columns?

What will the style of architecture be?

Will it be in the Federalist style of Thomas Jefferson, Greek Revival, or even Egyptian?

Where will it be located?

How long will it take to build?

Many comments have been made that we want something that reflects what we think and how we feel about Masonry; something to take great pride in; something that makes people say "Wow!" when they see it.

We all agree. The time has come for Plano to have a Temple. A Temple that will house several Lodge rooms, with a large fellowship hall and dining area, a professional kitchen, a museum, a library, some offices, and a community area. A Temple that will carry Masonry in Plano into the 22<sup>nd</sup> century and beyond.

A library that will become the premier Masonic research facility and think tank of Masonic philosophy in the state of Texas. A museum to house and display the artifacts of our rich Masonic history in Plano, in Texas, and in the United States.

A fellowship hall to rent-out to civic organizations, wedding parties, and banquet events of non-Masons to attract new members and provide exposure to Masonry in a positive environment.

And what a magnificent Temple it will be! Estimates for a three story 25,000 square foot building are approximately \$2.5 million and requires another \$1.0 million to furnish it and build the library and museum collections.

Where will this money come from you ask? We intend to solicit corporate donations, apply for grants, seek out individual donors, and make available several trust and estate planning programs. Remember, all donations are charitable deductions for income tax purposes and range from simple cash donations to complex trusts to maximize your estate exemptions.

Charitable donations can also be made for the land the Temple is erected upon to the building materials used.

We intend to build a Temple that everyone can take great pride in owning. We hope you will choose to help with your time, your money, or both. I will be making available in the next couple issues of the Trestleboard the donor programs detailing what can be donated, and how.

Until then, you are encouraged to send donations to:

Plano Masonic Historical Museum and Library; PO Box 941381; Plano, TX 75094-1381.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments you have about this to [jjmiller768@yahoo.com](mailto:jjmiller768@yahoo.com) or send mail to the above P.O. Box, or call me at 214-733-1814.

I look forward to working with all of you on this grand project.

Fraternally,

JJ Miller



# Calendar of Events for January

## Plano Lodge Events

- March 2 - Stated meeting  
"Family Night"
- March 9 - Two EA degrees
- March 16 - Three EA degrees
- March 23 - Masters degree
- March 30 - Masters degree
- April 6 - Stated meeting



**The chuck wagon**

- Mar. 2** - Sausage & rice casserole
- Mar. 9** - Brisket & all the fixins
- Mar. 16** - Smothered pork chops
- Mar. 23** - Chicken & dumplings
- Mar. 30** - Pot roast w/ taters

### Plano Order of Eastern Star #703

March 20 - Stated Meeting

*Remember brethren, any wife daughter or relative of a mason is eligible for Eastern Star membership. Bring your wife or daughter to a meeting this month.*

### Plano Rainbow Assembly #320

March 14 - Stated Meeting

March 28 - Initiation

Get your daughter or grand-daughter involved in Plano Rainbow

## Adopt a Chair Program

**ONLY 31 CHAIRS LEFT!!!**

**Remember a loved one forever, and help grow the Plano Lodge Building Fund.**

**Chairs are \$100.00 each.**

**New name tags are available at a special price of \$10.00 each.**

**Contact Larry Kester for more info.**

*lhkester@comcast.net*

## Eye on Grand Lodge

It looks like the Grand Lodge internet committee has been quite busy. The Grand Lodge website has changed a bit.

Go to [www.grandlodgeoftexas.org](http://www.grandlodgeoftexas.org) to see the difference.

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*Briscoe Workshop to be held at Plano Lodge.*

*Monday April 10, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.*

## Events for the Super-Mason

- Scottish Rite Valley of Dallas stated meeting March 14..
- York Rite Dallas March 8.
- Hella Shrine.
- Plano Shrine Club meeting March 28

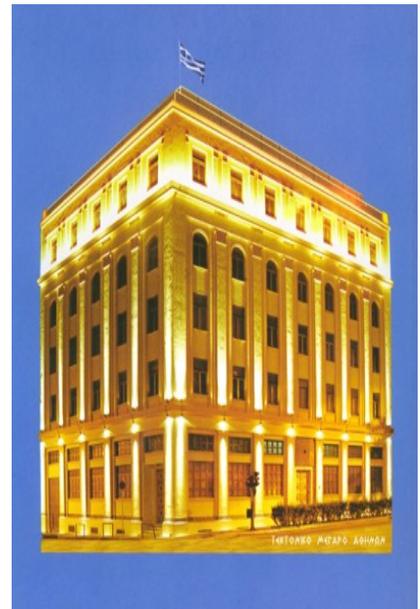
## Scottish Rite News

## Around District 9

- Stated meetings in District 9 -
 

Thu. 3/2	Plano - 7 p.m.
Tue. 3/7	Lebanon - 7 p.m.
	St. John's - 7:30 p.m.
	East Fork - 7:30 p.m.
Th. 3/9	Lee - 7:30 p.m.
	Melissa - 7:30 p.m.
	Empire - 8 p.m.
Mo. 3/13	Celina - 7 p.m.
	Blue Ridge - 7:30 p.m.
Tu. 3/14	Allen - 7:30 p.m.
Tu. 3/21	Farmersville - 7:30 p.m.
Tu. 3/28	Princeton - 7:30p.m.

*Grand Lodge of Greece in Athens*



*Grand Lodge of Canada*



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### *The Masonic Lodge Structure*

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*Worshipful Master: Joe*

*Leaps tall buildings in a single bound*

*Is more powerful than a locomotive*

*Is faster than a speeding bullet*

*Walks on water*

*Gives policy to God*

*Senior Warden: Fred*

*Leaps short buildings in a single bound*

*Is more powerful than a Mack truck*

*Is just as fast as a speeding bullet*

*Walks on water if the sea is calm*

*Talks with God*

*Junior Warden: Chris*

*Leaps short buildings with a running start*

*Is almost as powerful as a Mack truck*

*Is faster than a speeding BB*

*Walks on water of an indoor swimming pool*

*Talks with God if special request is approved*

*Senior Deacon: JJ*

*Barely clears a Denny's restaurant*

*Loses tug-of-war with a Mack truck*

*Can fire a speeding bullet*

*Swims well*

*Is occasionally addressed by God*

*Junior Deacon: Scott*

*Makes high marks when leaping a brick wall*

*Is run over by a pickup*

*Can handle a gun without hurting himself*

*Strong dog paddler*

*Talks with animals*

*Senior Steward: Adam*

*Runs into buildings*

*Recognizes a pickup 2 out of 3 times*

*Is not issued ammunition*

*Can stay afloat with a life jacket*

*Talks to walls*

*Junior Steward: Clay*

*Falls over doorsteps when entering the lodge*

*Says, "Look at the choo-choo"*

*Wets himself with a water pistol*

*Plays in mud puddles*

*Mumbles to himself*

*Secretary: Tiny*

*Lifts buildings and walks under them*

*Kicks locomotives off the tracks*

*Catches speeding bullets in his teeth*

*Freezes water with a single glance*

*He believes "HE IS GOD"*

*Note: This structure has been around for years.*

*It was first seen during WWII, when it started*

*off with the Company Commander, Executive*

*Officer, Platoon Leaders, etc., to the First Sgt.*