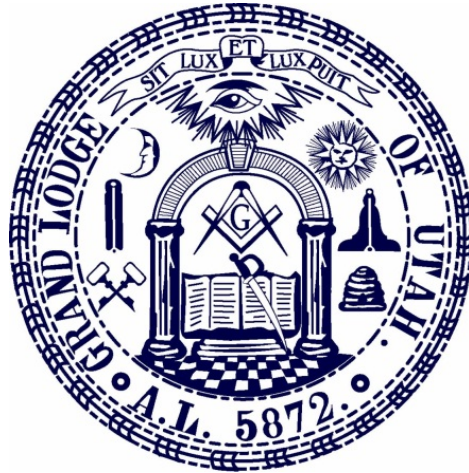


MASTER BUILDER AWARD PROGRAM



**Most Worshipful Grand Lodge
Free and Accepted Masons of Utah
650 E South Temple
Salt Lake City, UT 84102
(801) 363-2936**

Master Builder Award Program

MANDATORY REQUIREMENT

Perform, as a lodge, a community service, public service or charitable activity with at least three lodge members participating. Some examples are conducting a Red Cross blood draw, "adopt a highway" clean-up, care for home-bound or elderly/disabled persons, collecting food or clothing for the needy, hospital services, assist the Salvation Army with ringing bells for Christmas, Sub-for-Santa, or other community service activity.

Date: _____ No. members present: _____

Activity: _____

MAJOR STANDARDS

1. Three lodge delegates must participate in the current year Grand Lodge Communication. Voting delegates are: Worshipful Master, Senior Warden, Junior Warden or their proxies. Note: Two voting delegates will qualify for the Master Builder Award.

Worshipful Master: _____

Senior Warden: _____

Junior Warden: _____

Total members in attendance: _____

2. Establish a yearly operating budget and have it presented to the membership by the second regular business meeting following the installation of the ensuing year's lodge officers.

Meeting date budget was presented: _____

Meeting date budget was approved: _____

3. Hold at least one lodge fund-raising activity or event in order to raise money to supplement the lodge's annual operating budget.

Date: _____ No. members present: _____

Fundraising activity: _____

4. Conduct at least five Masonic education programs during the year. At the Worshipful Master's discretion, these programs may be part of either a stated or special meeting, or in a public forum on a Masonic topic.

Date: _____ Description or title: _____

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5. See that the three degrees of Masonry are conducted during the year. Note: In the absence of actual candidates the lodge should perform the degrees with someone representing the candidate:

Date: _____ Degree conducted: _____

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6. At least four lodge members, including at least two elected officers, must visit a tyled meeting of another lodge.

Date: _____ No. members present: _____

Elected officers: _____

Lodge visited: _____

7. The lodge must distribute at least three written communications (such as newsletters or *Trestleboard*) to its entire membership reporting on lodge activities and upcoming events. Announcements on social media cannot be used to meet this requirement.

Date: _____ Communication: _____

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Date: _____ Communication: _____

8. At least five lodge members, including at least two elected officers, must participate in a warden's retreat, regional Masonic workshop or Grand Lecturer's workshop. Note: For a warden's retreat, a minimum of two of the following officers must attend; Senior Deacon, Junior Warden, or Senior Warden.

Date: _____ No. members present: _____

Officers Attending: _____

BASIC STANDARDS

1. Invite and host a meeting for at least one other lodge. Note: Co-hosting by more than two lodges for multiple lodge events does not count. This could however include workshops, seminars, Masonic discussion groups, etc.

Date: _____ Name of lodge: _____

No. invited members attending: _____ No. host members: _____

Program: _____

2. Hold a social event to which the members' spouses and deceased members' widows are invited with or without families. Such event could include a spouse night, wives and widows night, dinners, picnics, ice cream socials, dances, etc.

Date: _____ Type of social: _____

No. invited members attending: _____ No. host members: _____

Program: _____

3. Recognize Masons, such as Past Masters, fifty-year members, etc., at a lodge meeting or other special event such as a dinner.

Date: _____ Group recognized: _____

No. recognized: _____ No. members present: _____

Program: _____

4. At least four lodge members, including at least two elected officers, visit a Job's Daughters or DeMolay meeting,

OR

hold a meeting with them in which they may present a program about their activities or ritual presentation,

OR

the lodge may entertain them. Note: This does not include attendance at installation for the youth groups or the lodge. If no Masonic related youth groups as herein mentioned are available in the community, then other youth groups may be substituted such as Boy/Girl Scouts, 4-H, FFA, scholastic clubs,

sports clubs, etc.

Date: _____ Youth group: _____

No. members attending: _____

Program: _____

Elected officers: _____

5. Participate in a community charity event (not simply a donation) either through sponsorship or assisting in the charity event,
OR
conduct a fund-raising activity (not simply a donation), whereby all proceeds go to the community charity event.

Date: _____ No. members present: _____

Activity: _____

Total amount donated: _____

6. As a lodge, make an educational presentation or other activity to a local school or college on an appropriate topic, such as charity work, community service, etc., with at least two lodge members present.

Date: _____ No. members present: _____

Activity: _____

7. Hold a fellowship night, open house, Meet-up, or friendship night to which non-Masons are invited. Note: This is separate from activities used to qualify under other standards but can include public exchanges with other fraternal groups, father/son dinner, Mason/DeMolay dinner, non-member dinner, etc.

Date: _____ No. members: _____ Non-members: _____

Type of program: _____

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8. As a Masonic body with at least four members including at least two elected officers, attend a County Commission, City or Town Council meeting or a meeting of any other governmental organization such as School Board, Library Board, Planning Board, etc.

Date: _____ No. members present: _____

Organization attended: _____

Elected officers:

9. Assist five shut-ins or widows during the Masonic year with such things as lawn mowing, house painting, shopping, medical needs, etc. (May be Masonic or non-Masonic.)

Date: _____ Name: _____

Service: _____

Date: _____ Name: _____

Service: _____

Date: _____ Name: _____

Service: _____

Date: _____ Name: _____

Service: _____

Date: _____ Name: _____

10. Hold a table lodge in accordance with the Utah Table Lodge Ritual or a festive

board in accordance with the Utah Festive Board Ceremony.

Date: _____ No. members present: _____

11. Conduct a "Rusty Trowel Night" in accordance with the Utah "Rusty Trowel Ceremony".

Date: _____ No. members present: _____

12. Conduct a dinner to honor new lodge members who have been raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason within the last year.

Date: _____

No. new members: _____ Total no. members present: _____

13. At least four lodge members, including children if available, as a group attend a non-Masonic religious service of their choice.

Date: _____ Name of religious entity: _____

No. members attending: _____

14. Recite the degree Charges for all three degrees from memory in open lodge.

Date EA Charge recited: _____

Date FC Charge recited: _____

Date MM Charge recited: _____

15. At least four lodge members assist in a degree of another Utah lodge.

Date: _____ Lodge visited: _____

Members: _____

16. At least three lodge members earn an award in the Grand Lodge Ritual Proficiency Program.¹

Members: _____

17. Host a regional ritual practice at which members from at least three lodges attend and participate.

Date: _____ Other lodges attending: _____

¹ <http://www.utahgrandlodge.org/ritual-proficiency-program.html>

Appendix B - Award Application

Date: _____

Name of lodge: _____

To: Chairman, Grand Lodge Education Committee
650 E South Temple
Salt Lake City, UT 84102

RE: Utah Masonic Master Builder Award Program

Dear Brother Chairman:

I hereby certify that the above-named lodge, F. & A.M. of Utah, has completed the requirements of the Master Builder Award.

Master's signature: _____

Master's name: _____

ATTEST:

Secretary's signature: _____

Secretary's name: _____

LODGE SEAL

Return with completed application by December 1st to:

The Grand Lodge Education Committee
650 E South Temple
Salt Lake City, UT 84102