



NEW MEMBER INTRODUCTION

Let's pretend that we have a new member...he may come to us spanking new OR he may have been somewhere else for a while, but he is with us now.

The problem most Lodges have is that at the end of the Ceremonial most brethren avoid the new member like the plague.

We should not.

Not if we are what we say we are.

We need to ask everyone to introduce themselves to him. It is our duty and it should be our pleasure.

This **new member introduction** will hopefully help identify and reduce **lurkers*** plus we are supposed to be at the ceremonial to share and make friends. So let's do that.

**** Lurking is when people join and never join in. they just "lurk about" more than actually mixing in. This is considered Masonically rude.***

We should want to introduce ourselves; we need to introduce ourselves. We should welcome new members and find out who he is and what brings him to our Lodge in particular. He is one of us. We should treat him that way.

We are trying to build and maintain a community here, and a community is only as strong as its members.

We just want members that want to be here and be here for the right reasons.

It does not matter where the new member comes from...

- He may have just decided that he wants to be a part of something good and great...
- He may have joined in another place but now he resides close to us,

it does not matter what the reason...he is one of us now. Treat him as a friend.

Special reminder...if he come to us from somewhere else...he is **not an affiliate member**...he is a member, pure and simple, a member. Treat him as one.

Introduce yourself. Welcome him to the Lodge. Be the friend you purport to be, after all it is his Lodge **AS WELL**.

QUESTION. ...no looking up the lodge records....

- 1. WHO WAS THE LAST PERSON TO JOIN OUR LODGE?**
- 2. DO YOU KNOW HIM?**
- 3. DID YOU WELCOME HIM TO THE LODGE?**

Stay Covid safe.



THANK YOU, I AM PLEASSED TO BE A MEMBER