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The Influence of Example

As the end of the Masonic year comes closer, we prepare our Officers to “advance if elected”.

Our thoughts at the same time should be turning to the newly elevated Past Master, who is about to surrender the “gavel”. While being a Past Master gives credence in having pride in oneself, he should take pride in the accomplishments that he has made. He should also develop a sense of humility, which should overcome that feeling of pride.

We could define humility as a foundation for strength and evidence of one’s wisdom. Which is a base’s for building ones character. And as he has learned the teachings of Freemasonry in his Masonic journey, he realizes that he is only a small part of the plan put in place by the Grand Geometrician of the Universe.

So, in the life of the conscientious Mason, the battle is between pride and humility. For the Mason worthy of this most important station, humility will have to be the winner.

We all should have pride in our achievements, and in the honors which have been conferred upon us, but we must first be humble in all that we do, as all Masons must be in this great Fraternity.

Fraternally,

Bob