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FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT







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The name above James Traquair with the annotation "America" was one of the stonemasons who arrived from Scotland to assist in the building of the White House, and is extracted from the Roll Book of The Lodge of Journeymen Masons No. 8.

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS ICHF 2011

Since the inception of ICHF more than six years ago it has established itself as the primary conference for academics and others interested in Freemasonry to present papers on all aspects of the subject.



From the beginning the ICHF was always a truly open 'International' conference, due to the diversity of countries represented at each of the conferences in 2007 and 2009. The 2011 conference to be held in Alexandria, Virginia, USA, marks a milestone in the growth of the International Conference by not only attracting participants from across the world but also, for the first time, the conference will be held outside Europe.

The 2011 conference will be held at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial, Alexandria, Virginia USA, over the weekend of 27 - 29 May 2011 with optional social activities on 26th and 30th May.

Alexandria and its environs is a place where Scots played an important part in the early development of the region, as indeed they did in many other areas of America. It has been suggested therefore that one theme of the 2011 conference might be 'Early Scottish Freemasons in North America' and proposals for papers on that topic will be especially welcome

Following the huge success of the first two conferences, this, the third International Conference, will see the conference achieve a level of maturity that was hoped for by the organisers and is indicative of the tremendous amount of interest in the subject of Freemasonry, in all its aspects. This is the only International Conference at which academics, members of the public and of course Freemasons, gather together to discuss this much under-estimated social phenomenon.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

By holding a biennial conference open to the public, the main purpose of the ICHF is:

- to promote Freemasonry as a subject for academic study.
- to present and debate relevant contributions in this area of research.
- to create a forum for interactions between researchers, experts and a wider audience.
- to encourage individuals to take an interest and participate in an active exchange of knowledge in the area.

The ICHF is a non-profit making, privately owned event and brand, sponsored by Supersonic Events Ltd. with no formal affiliation to any masonic or academic body. On each occasion a leading academic is appointed to convene a specialist committee responsible for the selection of suitable presentations. Any surplus generated by the ICHF will go to support young researchers and academics pursuing research in the topic and other relevent masonic projects.

The George Washington Masonic National Memorial situated in Alexandria, Virginia, USA, is a superb and ideal venue for the third International Conference with splendid conference facilities, local accommodation of all types, and is within a short Metro ride to Washington DC, the capital of the USA.



It is anticipated that the registration fee for the full conference will be in the region of \$375.

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PROPOSALS FOR PAPERS AND PANELS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO:

www.northernnetworking.co.uk/ichf2OII.php before 30th June 2010. Late proposals will not be accepted. All proposals will be subject to anonymous peer review. The outcome of the review of all the proposals will be announced by 17th September 2010.

CHECKLIST FOR THE SUBMISSION OF PAPERS OR PANELS

- Submissions must contain:
 - Author's name, institution, postal and email addresses, telephone number
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 - Title of paper or panel session
 - Name of chair for a panel session
 - Three to five suggested key words for indexing papers
 - 300 word abstract of each paper (with an additional 200 word justification for a panel session)
 - Please state the category to which you are submitting:
 - Paper or
 - Panel Session

Please submit your proposal to the Conference Organisers to:

www.northernnetworking.co.uk/ichf2011.php no later than 30th June 2010.

Receipt of your proposal will be acknowledged within 5 working days.

Outcome advised by 17th September 2010.





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