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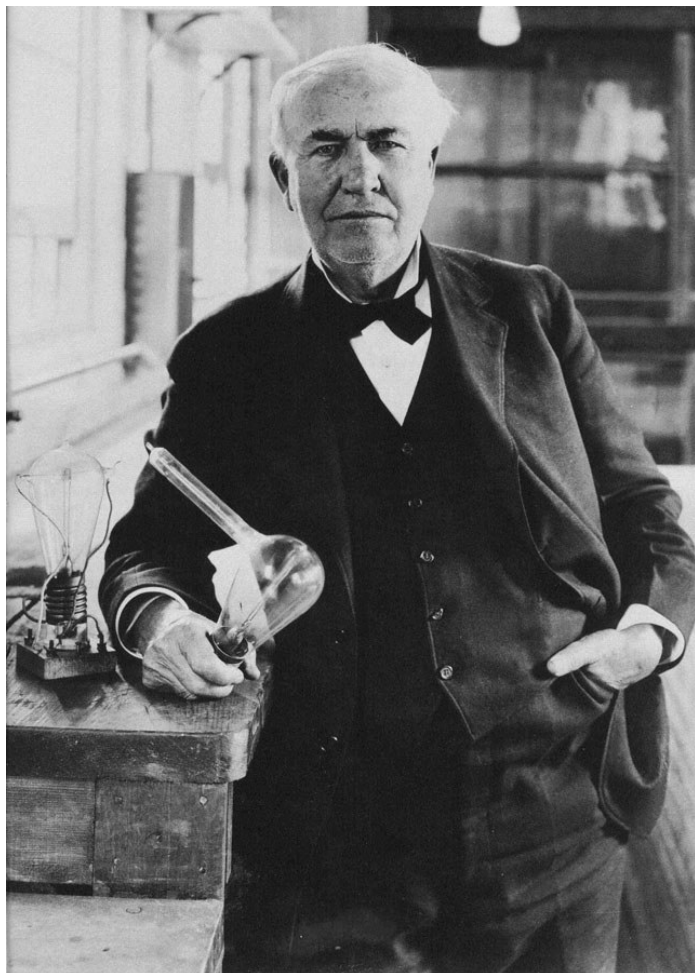
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Power Point Presentation Features Thomas Edison

I have prepared a Power Point presentation on the inventive genius Thomas Alva Edison, which will be shared with you at our next communication on November 9, 2004. Edison has been featured recently in several prominent magazines and he is the subject of a new book by Harold Evans.



Thomas Edison is best known for his invention of the electric light bulb, but this development—like many others that Edison is credited with, was not the first attempt to produce such a device. But he perfected it.

In the same year that Edison finished his telephone work, he made a rough sketch at his desk of a piece of apparatus, then looked at it for a moment to gauge the amount of time required to build it. Edison's machinists were paid on a piecework basis, and so at the side of the sketch he wrote \$18. He handed it to John Kruesi. The mechanism was quite simple and in the last stages of assembly, Kruesi casually asked Edison what it was supposed to be.

If you cannot guess what this device was, come to Lodge Tuesday night and the secret will be revealed.

Chris Franklin to Be Examined on FC

Chris Franklin, our newly-wed Fellowcraft Mason, will be examined on proficiency at the next communication also. Assuming all goes well, he will be scheduled to receive the Master's Degree on November 17 at Fulton Lodge.

You recall that Chris, along with three candidates from Fulton Lodge #216, received

the Fellowcraft Degree at Sandy Springs Lodge on October 20. The degree was conferred by Past Masters of Fulton Lodge. This was an opportunity for the members of Sandy Springs to meet with their Masonic Brothers from another fine Lodge in the Fifth District. The occasion was enjoyed by everyone, and we especially liked the poppy chicken, which was prepared and served by WB Tommy Meeks with the help of Tom Kellen.

WB Doyle Davis will receive his 50-year award at our Lodge on November 23. The presentation will be made by Past Grand Master Joe Suttles. Look for more information on Doyle in your next newsletter.

On the same evening, we will entertain the children from Calvary Childrens' Home at their annual Christmas party. This year we plan to give each of the boys and girls gift certificates, along with other goodies. As you know, we will use the profit from our annual BBQ to make the purchases for the children. On this special occasion be sure to invite your family to attend. We look forward to an exciting evening for Doyle, the children and all of us.

