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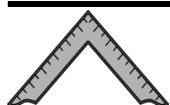
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## From The East



**B**rethren,

Carl Harry Claudy was a very influential Mason. He was a prolific author and a kind person. Born in 1879, Claudy was a journalist in for the New York Herald and served as Editor-in-chief of the Masonic Service Association from 1929 until his death in 1957. He created the Short Talk Bulletins and personally wrote 350 Short Talk Bulletins for the Masonic Service Association. In addition to the bulletins, Bro. Claudy wrote and distributed innumerable digests, special bulletins, and portfolios of an historical and factual nature.

In 1934, he wrote the first of 12 plays he authored. This month on June 23, 2018, we will present one of Claudy's Masonic plays at Tucson #4, *A Rose Upon the Altar*, to recognize and honor the

new 2018 - 2019 Grand Master of Free & Accepted Masons in Arizona, Most Worshipful Craig Gross, from our lodge and in our lodge. Carl Claudy was well known around the world as a Masonic leader, speaker, playwright and essayist. He wrote several books for Masons. Altogether, Claudy wrote 1,600 articles for 170 magazines and special papers over his lifetime.

When 19, Carl Claudy travelled west to the Alaskan gold fields. Not finding gold after six months, he came home to Washington, D.C., where he started a writing career. The first story he ever wrote appeared in The Washington Post. He freelanced for The New York Herald, eventually joining its staff in 1908 with a special assignment covering the then infant aeronautical industry. Claudy wrote a number of articles on aircraft and published a book



titled, *Beginners Book of Model Airplanes*. He wrote a number of books relating to photography and to aviation, including *First Book of Photography: A Primer of Theory* and *Prize Winners' Book of Model Airplanes*. During the early 1900s, Claudy photographed many important aeronautical events such as Alexander Graham Bell's tetrahedral kite experiments and the Wright Flyer Army Trials at Fort Meyer, Virginia.

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## June 2018 Calendar

June 1st-2nd	Grand Lodge cont.
June 2nd	NO Fellowship Breakfast
June 6th	Stated Meeting Dinner 6pm Stated Meeting 7pm
June 7th	Thursday Crew 7am
June 13th	Degree or Practice 7pm
June 14th	Thursday Crew 7am
June 17th	DeMolay Meeting 6pm
June 20th	Degree or Practice 7pm
June 21st	Thursday Crew 7am
June 23rd	Masonic Play and Diner 6pm
June 27th	Degree or Practice 7pm
June 28th	Thursday Crew 7am
June 30th	Deadwood 1130 am @Laverna's

## "From the East" continued...

His photos of early flights were given to Alexander Graham Bell who placed them in the *Smithsonian* where they remain today. At the end of World War I, Claudy went overseas as a correspondent for *Scientific American*. An avid athlete and outdoors man, he enjoyed camping, mountaineering, boxing, rowing, crew, tennis and football. Claudy's enthusiasm for the outdoors frequently took him to Montana and inspired many of his short stories written for Boy Scout publications. In 1911, Claudy was the director of publicity for the National Highway Association. Claudy wrote many science fiction stories for [\*The American Boy\*](#) magazine during the early 1930s. Four novelization books were printed from some of those stories. From 1939-1941, he wrote for [\*DC Comics\*](#). Claudy's association with Freemasonry began in 1908, when, at the age of 29, he was raised a Master Mason in Harmony 17 in Washington, DC. He served as Master of his lodge and later as Grand Master of Masons in the District of Columbia in 1943.

In honor to our new Grand Master, specially skilled Masonic thespians from Phoenix, coordinated by WB Fred Moore, will grace our lodge room stage to present, "*A Rose Upon the Altar*," to bring this classic Claudy Masonic play to life. A steak and potato dinner and this Claudy Masonic Play will be held at Tucson Lodge #4. Additionally, Dr. Christine Vivona will delight diners with her award winning magical harp music. Christine earned her Master of Music at The Juilliard School and a Doctor of Music from the University of Arizona. She can play classical, popular selections, jazz standards, Broadway tunes, Celtic and religious music. Sixty seats will be available and are open to Masons, their family members and friends for this special Masonic event. See our Secretary Paul Simpson, PM, to purchase your tickets right away.

-Fraternally,

*William Wilkinson*, Worshipful Master



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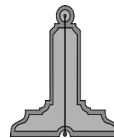
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## From The West



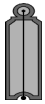
Travelling from West to East and from East to West again became an interesting reality for me on my travel to Germany. From the States to the Netherlands, visiting the places with the beauty of tulips and spring flowers, gave me an appreciation of the vast expanse of the world. Interacting with people there in various languages and cultures opened the mind to the greater world that extends far beyond the local narrow circle in which I usually operate.

In The Hague is the museum with exhibitions with works of M. C. Escher. He is the artist who studies geometrical forms and created drawings of surreal staircases, perpetual waterfalls and other mind bending structures. Escher took the study of geometry to a whole new level bending the mind beyond the possible to display the improbable. In the staircase of the museum a display of square and compasses made me wonder if Escher was a Mason. Little research did not show evidence that he was, but from his works he could as well have been.

We, as Masons, are held to study geometry and be cognizant of the world around us. We are held to move within the masonic circle of conduct. It turns out that at times we draw out circle of conduct too narrow. Expanding our mind by travelling in the real world also expands our masonic travel. Interacting with people of other cultures and languages extends our circle. Seeing the vast varieties of flowers is impressive and reminds us that there is so much more in the world beyond our narrow circle we usually are in. In the example of Escher it shows that the limit of seeing reality can be pushed farther out than we usually dare to go.

I have travelled from West to East and from East to West again and I returned with an expanded circle. This should encourage us to travel as well, be it in the real world or in our mind, to see beyond our everyday experience. It will add greatly to our Masonic journey.

*-Hannes Meyer*, Junior Warden



# From The South



## COMPASSES OR COMPASS?

### -WHICH IS CORRECT?

This is a question that has concerned a number of members but a simple answer cannot be given.

There has been a suggestion made that the plural form came into common use when the mariners compass was invented. The word compas has been recorded as having been used in the 14th century. Three examples are: 1340 "craftily casten with a compas"; 1387 "made the first compas"; and in 1391 by Chaucer who wrote of the "poynt of my compas". In 1551 this sentence was recorded "haue a payre of compasse aptelye made for to draw the circles." In 1570 a mathematical text had "geometrie teacheth the vse of the Rule and cumpasse." Swift wrote in 1745 "to fix one foot of their compass wherever they think fit." As recently as 1845 Emerson wrote "defined by compass and measuring wand."

Earliest uses of the plural form have been recorded in the 16th century. In 1555 "we took owre compasses and beganne to measure the sea coasts" and an example from 1594 "how to make with your compasses a perpendicular line to fall from any point given another right line." Milton wrote in Paradise Lost in 1667 "in his hand he took the golden compasses to circumscribe this universe."

The mariners compass first appeared in 1515 "Some the anker layde . . . one kepte the compass and watched the our glasse." In 1552 this was recorded "ane skypper can nocht gyde his schip without direction of his compas."

In at least four verses of the Old Testament compass appears in its singular form. Isaiah 44:13 "The carpenter stretcheth out his rule; he marketh it out with a line; he fitteth it with planes, and he marketh it out with the compass . . . , "Other references are Exodus 27:5, Exodus 38:4 and Proverbs 8:27.

Early masonic rituals do not show any marked preference for either form. Prichard's Masonry Dissected of 1730 uses the singular four times and the plural once. Three Distinct Knocks published in 1760 has the plural form seven times and the singular twice. Jachin and Boaz which appeared in 1762 shows a slight preference for the singular over the plural by five to four.

In the United States some jurisdictions use compass and there are also masonic clubs known as square and compass clubs.

After reading this far it would be a bold reader who would say one or the other was correct. There is, however, a criterion of correctness for the modern mason and that is how the word appears in our Book of Constitution and Ritual. As it always appears as compasses then as far as our working is concerned compasses is the correct form.

I would again like to thank Worshipful Brother Vince and Doreen Santos for the fantastic combination Cinco De Mayo and Mother's day celebration meal for May's Stated Meeting dinner. Also all the people who showed up and helped with the preparation of said meal; Most Worshipful Brother Jim and Laurel Wadley, Worshipful Brother Hanes Meyer's wife and daughter, Joyce and Mauzey. As usual, the Job's Daughter's did a wonderful job with serving and clean-up.

The June 6th Stated Meeting meal will be the last before the lodge goes dark for July and August. This meal is brought to you courtesy of Joyce Meyers and she will be preparing and serving Prime Rib – the remainder of the menu is not as yet planned.

The Saturday Fellowship breakfast is CANCELLED for June due to the conflicting activity of the Grand Lodge Communication on that weekend. The Fellowship Breakfasts will resume in July.

*Richard Vaughn*

Junior Warden and Mason of the Year, 2018

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PERRYMAN, RICHARD BOOTH	2	64
YOUNG, EUGENE PETER	5	61
FAHS, THEODORE HARRISON	7	43
ANDREWS SR, JACK CARSON	9	10
STARR, EARL C	9	47
SWANGO, JEFFERY DANIEL	10	20
CLICK, RICHARD A.	11	39
HOSTETLER, JOHN WOOD	12	50
PRINK, CRAIG ALLEN	16	8
FRITZ, WALTER HOWARD	17	29
LEUTENBERG, JAY LAURENCE	17	54
SULLIVAN, RAMON MARK	18	45
COPSON, WILLIAM HARRY	19	5
MALTERRE, JEAN CLAUDE	23	29
MURAD, JOHN ABDURHAMAN	26	56
JOHNSON, MICHAEL PALMER	28	2
PEABODY III, ENOCH WOOD	29	24
BAILEY, ALLEN RAY	30	49
IVEY, ERIC ROGER	30	28
LEWIS, EDWIN CHARLES	30	44

REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR BDAY CARD IN FOR  
COMPLIMENTARY STATED MEETING DINNER!



## BREAKFAST!

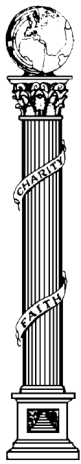
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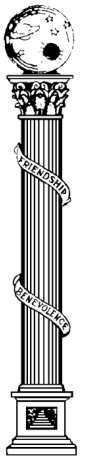


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Arizona Chapter #2, OES, First Tuesday .....	7:30PM
Saguaro Chapter #48 OES, Second & Fourth Mondays .....	7:00PM
Olana Temple #131, Daughters of the Nile, Third Monday.....	7:00PM
Oasis Court #75, Ladies Oriental Shrine, First Monday.....	7:00PM
Bethel #25, Job's Daughters, First & Third Saturdays .....	10:00AM
Assembly #2, Rainbow Girls, Second & Fourth Tuesdays .....	7:00PM

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