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FROM THE THURSDAY CREW

Brethren

Your Thursday crew has been working very hard over the past months to keep the Lodge building looking good (as well as keeping the cost of maintaining it to a minimum). We have fixed toilets, replaced many lights inside and outside the building. Replaced the North wall around when someone backed into it and painted the walls that had the two cars drive through them. We have also painted the doors to the dumpster that were rusting and the wrought iron fence around the perimeter of the property. We have also change the filters in the air conditioner/ heater every couple of months, wash down the stainless steel and clean the filters over the stove every month. These are just some of the duties that your Thursday crew does. As you can see we don't just sit around drinking coffee and eat donuts (as many of you think we do). But the crew is becoming very small and we are having a hard time keeping up with the chores. We are asking for some help.

IF ANYONE IS ABLE TO COME OUT AND HELP US we

would very much appreciate it. We usually start between 7:00 or 8:00 am and are done before noon. We can also make arrangements to be here on other days if you can not make it on a Thursday. Please help us out as this building belongs to all of us and we want to be sure those brothers that come after us have a nice place for their meetings to.

If you can help, Please contact Jim Wadley, Jerry Fortson, Ray Snow or Gordon Beatty.

Fraternally,

Your Thursday crew

June 2014 Calendar				
June 2nd	Officers Meeting 6 pm Ritual Practice 7 pm			
June 4th	Stated Meeting Dinner 6:00 pm Stated Meeting 7:00pm			
June 5th - 7th	Grand Lodge Communication in Phoenix			
June 7th	Fellowship Breakfast 7:00 am to 11:00 am			
June 11th	Degree 7:00 pm			
June 18th	Degree 7:00 pm			
June 25th	Degree 7:00 pm			
June 27th	Table Lodge 6:00 pm MUST HAVE A RESERVATION			
June 28th	Deadwood at Larverna's 11:30 am			

The preparation group Bob and Rich are leading will meet every Wednesday at 7:00pm.

> Degrees are subject to candidate availability and proficiency.

NOTE: Please do not forget to make reservations for all dinners.





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Brethren

FROM THE SOUTH



Brethren

As I sat down to write this month's article for the trestleboard my thoughts went to what's happening in June 2014. First in my thoughts was the upcoming Table Lodge scheduled for June 27. I am very excited about this opportunity for fellowship and brotherhood and to just generally have a good time around a festive board with food and drink. Many brothers have come forward to assist in this undertaking and it will be a great success. We are fortunate to have as a guest speaker Bro. Mark Twain who was a member of Polar Star Lodge No. 79, St. Louis, Mo. (Entered Apprentice, May 22, 1861; Fellow Craft, June 12, 1861; Master Mason, July 10, 1861). During a trip to Palestine, he sent his lodge a gavel with this note: "This mallet is a cedar, cut in the forest of Lebanon, whence Solomon obtained the timbers for the Temple." Clemens cut the handle himself from a cedar just outside the walls of Jerusalem. He had it made in Alexandria, Egypt and it was presented to the Lodge on April 8, 1868. Source: (http://www.phoenixmasonry.org/masonicmuseum / mark twain fdcs.htm) The Table Lodge should prove to be a most enjoyable evening.

The other area that occupied my thoughts was the upcoming 132d Annual Grand Lodge Communication set for the weekend of June 5-7 in Scottsdale. The lodge leadership is all planning on attending as well as quite a few other brothers. This too should prove to be an enjoyable experience with the opportunity to meet with other lodges and share our experiences, vote on legislation and see how the Grand Lodge officers conduct their business.

Finally, although we will be dark, meaning no stated meeting, in July and August, we will continue to do the work of the lodge. We will exemplify degrees for brothers who demonstrate proficiency and practice the ritual in preparation for more degrees. The planning process for this is dependent on the fine work of those brothers who have accepted the role of mentor and the encouragement and guidance they provide to our newer members.

As we proceed into the summer months and travel on vacations away from the heat of this beautiful Sonoran oasis, please be safe, enjoy your families and friends, and return to us with a renewed commitment to each other and to making good men better. It's getting warmer outside! Having been Junior Warden for half a year now I reflect back on what has been working well and what needs improvement as it pertains to the Junior Wardens station that is. What has been working the best is all of you who attend the dinners and provide support, not only for the lodge in particular, but to those who make it all happen. Our strength is in our teamwork in working together and helping each other out either in the dining room or taking care of the facilities. Another item that I feel was well attended to was the planning. The meals were planned way ahead of time with several people that had experience in the kitchen, and knew what worked, and what didn't work. A brother of ours tells me from time and time again "If you fail to plan, then plan to fail". What hasn't worked? Well, I leave that up to you. I am always open for constructive criticism, and I do take your feedback seriously. Please feel free to contact me or talk to me in person if there are items that you would like to see addressed or needs improvement on within the facilities or the dining room.

The main entree for the June Stated Meeting Dinner will be a variety of salads with assorted fruit and rolls. As always, please be sure to have your reservation well ahead of the meeting.

Also, June 7 will be a busy day at the Lodge as well. Not only will we be having our morning breakfast, but the Jobs Daughters will be having their installation in the afternoon. We would love to have you there to show your support.

> Fraternally Jon Schmidt JuniorWarden, 2014

COME TO THE FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

THE 1ST SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH

FROM 7:00am TILL 11:00 am

GOOD FOOD, GOOD FELLOWSHIP!

Fraternally *Leigh Creighton* Senior Warden, 2014

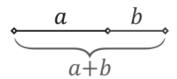
TO THE STUDY OF GEOMETRY

MASONIC TRACING BOARDS – DONORS NEEDED

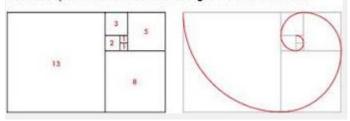
The Golden Rectangle

All Entered Apprentice Masons while passing to the degree of Fellowcraft are taught that Geometry is "the noble science which forms the basis of Freemasonry." Moreover, in the second degree charge the attention of every Fellowcraft is "especially directed" to the "study of Geometry." Due to its special significance to Freemasonry this series of short, understandable articles is dedicated to the study of Geometry.

The first topic I selected is the Golden Rectangle. The Golden Rectangle was described over 2,400 years ago by Euclid of Alexandria, in about 300 BCE. He described the Golden Ratio of a line segment where a "straight line is said to have been cut into extreme and mean ratio when, as the whole line is to the greater segment, so is the greater to the lesser." This means a certain length line can be divided into two parts so that the ratio of the two parts of the line segment is the same as the ratio of the longer line segment is to the whole line's length, where a + b = 1.618, a = 1 and b = 0.618. This same ratio repeats itself an infinite number of times over and over.



The Fibonacci Rectangle (or Golden Rectangle) is used to create the Fibonacci Spiral which can be seen throughout the natural world.



By extending the Golden Ratio line lengths to a rectangle, a Golden Rectangle with the same properties is created. This "divine proportion," as it has also been called, models patterns naturally occurring across the universe from fish scales and sea shells, flower blossoms and beehives, to the arms of spiral galaxies. It is useful in art and architecture because its proportions seem pleasing to the human eye and to the human sense of natural balance. This knowledge was considered much too powerful to share with the uninitiated and was kept secret by Pythagoreans.

> William Wilkinsin, Esq, Senior Steward

These are called Tracing Boards and were used by the Fraternity to convey the teachings of the three degrees of Freemasonry prior to the availability of glass slides, projectors or computers. The original design of the scrolls were entered into the Library of Congress by Executive Order of The United States Congress in 1882. These particular Tracing Boards are over 100 years old and are one of only very few complete sets remaining in Arizona. Many of the leaders of Arizona Masonry and the City of Tucson took their Masonic Degrees using these tracing boards. They are a major part of our history at this Lodge.

To conserve and preserve these scrolls is not a simple or inexpensive process. Each scroll will cost in excess of \$300.00 to repair, back with an acid free backing, face with non-glare UV resistant glass, and framed with a simple two inch Oak frame.

However, this is something that needs to be done to preserve our heritage and leave our history for future generations. All donors, in excess of twenty dollars, will be permanently acknowledged on a special plaque that will accompany these scrolls. Donations can be made to the Master, Senior Warden or Secretary. We thank you for any and all assistance that you give to this worthwhile and historic project. Let's all make sure that these are available for our future members for centuries to come.





Craig Gross, PM Secretary



FROM THE LADIES CORNER

Hello Ladies!

Last month we played, Mexican Train, hope everyone enjoyed themselves. We finished right on time to join up with our husbands for the trip to our homes, which is our goal. This month we will be having another game night; it will be "Bingo." The only difference with this bingo and the ones past, is that I am requesting for each of you to bring a "White Elephant" from home. I am certain you all have one little item that you have been given as a gift, you have found some where or even bought and wondered why and what you will do with it, besides hiding it in a closet or drawer. Good time to pass it on to others and have fun doing so. Sure hope you will all spend another dinner and night out with the ladies of the Lodge. We have found a couple of people of interest who will be attending our group to entertain us in September and in October. We will have a good start when we come back after our dark months at Lodge. Please continue looking for talent to share with us.

See you all soon!

JOB'S DAUGHTERS BETHEL 25 INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The Daughters of Bethel 25 Job's Daughters International cordially invites you to the 53^{rd} Installation of Officers on June 7th, 2014, at 6:00 PM at Tucson Lodge No. 4. Reception and Dance to follow. Please take some time and support our Masonic Youth Groups.

2014 DUES CARDS

We are getting close to mid-year and there are still a few members who do not have their 2014 Dues Cards. It would be absolutely wonderful if all members were current so that we do not have to take any action on the possible suspension of non-payment of dues. A reminder letter has been sent out to those Brothers that are not current. Please check your Dues Card and if it doesn't say "2014" then you need to take action now! 2014 dues work out to be 30 cents per day or about \$2.15 per week. That is less than a cup of Starbucks coffee. Don't you owe that to the Lodge, and to yourself, to maintain your membership in the World's Greatest Fraternity?

TRACING BOARD DONORS

I want to thank all of the members and friends that have donated to the restoration of the historic Masonic Tracing Boards to date. Thanks to their generosity we are almost 2/3 the way to our goal.

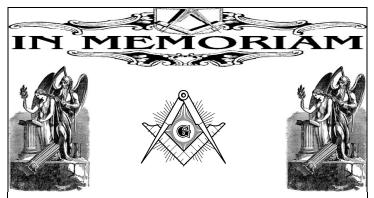
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Craig Gross, PM Secretary

A LITTLE HUMOR

This is something I think we can all relate to!

Arthur just received his brand new driver's license. The family went out to the driveway, then climbed into the car, where Arthur was going to take them for a ride for the first time. Dad immediately headed for the back seat, directly behind the newly minted driver. "I'll bet you're back there to get a change of scenery after all those months of sitting in the front passenger seat teaching me how to drive," said the beaming boy to his father. "Nope," dad replied, "I'm gonna sit here and kick the back of your seat as you drive, just like you've been doing to me all these years."



Of our Brethren who have passed on this Masonic year

Name	Birth	Raised	Death
Lewis George Irvine	06-27-45	03-12-73	11-29-13
Charles Loren Steele	03-31-22	12-04-77	12-09-13
Stafford Clark Sanford	01-28-51	10-27-92	02-11-14
Glenn Lee Cooughenour	12-27-53	05-20-98	02-11-14
Robert Alberic Garrepy	11-24-28	12-4-53	04-21-14
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JUNE MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

DATE	YEAR	YEARS
1	2006	8
1	1966	48
2	1954	60
4	1974	40
5	1957	57
6	1961	53
7	1967	47
9	1993	21
10	1998	16
11	1979	35
12	1968	46
15	1988	26
16	1948	66
16	2010	4
17	1964	50
18	1973	41
19	2013	1
23	1988	26
26	1962	52
27	1988	26
29	1970	44
29	1994	20
30	1969	45
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Please congratulate these Brothers when you see them. If you don't see them, yet know them, give them a call and invite them to go to lodge with you.

Bring your Birthday Card and get your dinner compliments of the Lodge.

DEADWOOD LUNCH—Past Masters and Friends gather on the last Saturday of every month for fellowship at: LAVERNA'S COFFEE SHOP, STARTING TIME 11:30 A.M.

Deadwood has become a social gathering and tool for the Brothers of our Lodge. The knowledge you pass onto some of our less informed Brethren is priceless. You are the link from the past to the future. The success of our lodge, and Masonry, is in your hands.

You do make a difference....

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TUCSON LODGE MASONIC FAMILY SCHEDULES

Arizona Chapter #2, OES, First & Third Tuesdays7:30PM	
Saguaro Chapter #48 OES, Second & Fourth Mondays7:30PM	
Olana Temple #131, Daughters of the Nile, Third Mondays7:00PM	
Bethel #25, Job's Daughters, First & Third Saturdays10:00AM	
Assembly #2, Rainbow Girls, Second & Fourth Tuesdays7:00PM	

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