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**FROM THE EAST**



Brethren,

As I sat down to write this the thought came to mind that I should check last year's June Trestleboard to see what I had written then. And my considerations now are very similar to what was going on then.

We've had a great month of May with a degree in Silver City, New Mexico and other degrees. But my thoughts are turning toward June and the upcoming events. The 133<sup>rd</sup> Grand Lodge Communication is the first weekend in June and will see Tucson Lodge #4 well represented. Also that weekend we should have another great fellowship breakfast on June 6.

Second in my thoughts is the Table Lodge scheduled for June 19. 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 I'm sure it will be a great success. The Senior Warden has taken charge this year, put together a great menu and scheduled a great guest speaker who will certainly show up or some of us will have to move to out of town quickly.

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 and we will do it in the summer uniform of polo shirts (new ones) and khaki slacks. 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. We will also continue the social events with a potluck dinner scheduled for July 22 (and maybe a square dance caller too) and a bus trip to see the Diamondbacks play the Milwaukee Brewers on Saturday July 25. We return to our regular schedule on September 2 with a dinner and stated meeting.

**June & July 2015 Calendar**

June 3rd	Stated Meeting Dinner 6pm Stated Meeting 7pm
June 4th—6th	Grand Lodge Phoenix at the Wild Horse Casino
June 6th	Fellowship Breakfast 7am to 10am
June 10th	Degree or Practice 7:00pm
June 17th	Degree or Practice 7:00pm
June 18th	Officers Meeting 7:00pm
June 19th	Table Lodge 6:00pm
June 24th	Degree or Practice 7:00pm
June 27th	Deadwood 11:30am Laverna's Coffee Shop
July 22nd	Pot Luck Dinner 6:00pm
July 25th	Night with the Diamondbacks 2:00pm at the Foothills Mall

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.

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

Fraternally

*Leigh Creighton*

Worshipful Master

## FROM THE WEST



Brethren,

We have had a very busy May, full of events and degrees! Every weekend has been busy with events, particularly the youth groups from JDI having a successful car wash at the lodge, to the Rainbow Girls having a great installation, and to the DeMolay who are starting a new chapter in Sierra Vista. I would also like to thank all the brethren involved in the Bike for Books program, especially Brother Will Wilkinson for the exceptional effort he has put forth. May was a month of Master Mason degrees – four to be in fact - the latest degree being in Silver City, New Mexico. I would like to thank all of the brothers in their participation and dedication in assisting with the degree work and transportation. The Master Masons we raised in May have been very dedicated to the fraternity, not only for their involvement in advancing through the degrees, but their zeal for becoming good Masons and becoming better men.

June is already booked for degrees with one Entered Apprentice and two Fellow Craft degrees scheduled. Please continue to show your support for our brothers as they advance through the degrees. This also includes a Table Lodge scheduled for June 19 at 6:00PM at Tucson Lodge #4. We have a guest speaker from the Grand Lodge who will be participating along with a Masonic play by some of our brothers. The lodge will be open in Entered Apprentice degree so all brothers are welcome. Seating is limited so please contact me if you are interested.

I am sure we will continue to do degrees through July and August due to the number of candidates we still have outstanding. Finding brothers to participate in degrees can be difficult during the summer months so please contact me if you would like to volunteer. This is also the time of year to finalize the planning, and budgeting, for the following year. Please contact me if you have some ideas for the upcoming year!

Fraternally  
*Jon Schmidt*

**THERE WILL BE NO TRESTLEBOARD  
ISSUED IN JULY OR AUGUST!**

## FROM THE SOUTH



Prior to 1717 there were Freemasons' lodges in England, Scotland, and Ireland, with the earliest known admission of non-operative masons being in Scotland. On 24 June 1717, three existing London lodges and a Westminster lodge held a joint dinner at the Goose and Gridiron alehouse in St. Paul's Churchyard, elected [Anthony Sayer](#) to the chair as Grand Master, and called themselves the [Grand Lodge of London and Westminster](#). The [City of London Corporation](#) has erected a [Blue Plaque](#) near the location. Little is known of Sayer save that he was described as a Gentleman (a man of independent means) when he became Grand Master, but later fell on hard times, receiving money from the Grand Lodge charity fund.

In 1718 Sayer was succeeded by [George Payne](#), a successful Civil Servant. The society then passed into the care of [John Theophilus Desaguliers](#), a scientist and clergyman, then back to Payne. In 1721, the Grand Lodge managed to obtain a nobleman, the [Duke of Montagu](#) to preside as Grand Master, and so was able to establish itself as an authoritative regulatory body, and began meeting on a quarterly basis. This resulted in lodges outside of London becoming affiliated, accepting sequentially numbered warrants conferring seniority over later applicants.

In 1723, by authority of the Grand Lodge, [James Anderson](#) published the [Constitutions of Masonry](#) for the purposes of regulating the craft and establishing the Grand Lodge's authority to warrant [Lodges](#) to meet. The book includes a fanciful history of the Craft, which nevertheless contains much interesting material.

Throughout the early years of the new Grand Lodge there were any number of Masons and lodges that never affiliated with the new Grand Lodge. These unaffiliated Masons and their Lodges were referred to as "Old Masons", or "St. John Masons", and "St. John Lodges".

During the 1730s and 1740s [antipathy](#) increased between the London Grand Lodge and the Grand Lodges of Ireland and Scotland. Irish and Scots Masons visiting and living in London considered the London Grand Lodge to have deviated substantially from the ancient practices of the Craft. As a result, these Masons felt a stronger kinship with the unaffiliated London Lodges. The aristocratic nature of the London Grand Lodge and its members [alienated](#) other Masons causing them also to identify with the unaffiliated Lodges.

On 17 July 1751, representatives of five Lodges gathered at the Turk's Head Tavern, in Greek Street, [Soho](#), London and formed a rival Grand Lodge – "[The Grand Lodge of England According to the Old Institutions](#)". They considered that they practiced a more ancient and therefore purer form of Masonry, and called their Grand Lodge The Ancients' Grand Lodge. They called those affiliated to the Premier Grand Lodge, by the [pejorative epithet](#) The Moderns. These two unofficial names stuck.

The creation of Lodges followed the development of the Empire, with all three home Grand Lodges warranting Lodges around the world, including the Americas, India and Africa, from the 1730s.

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In 1809 the Moderns appointed a "Lodge of Promulgation" to return their own ritual to regularity with Scotland, Ireland and especially the Ancients. In 1811 both Grand Lodges appointed Commissioners and over the next two years, articles of Union were negotiated and agreed. In January 1813 the Duke of Sussex became Grand Master of the Moderns on the resignation of his brother, the [Prince Regent](#), and in December of that year another brother, [Duke of Kent](#) became Grand Master of the [Antients](#). On 27 December 1813 the United Grand Lodge of England ("UGLE") was constituted at [Freemasons' Hall, London](#) with HRH the [Duke of Sussex](#) (younger son of [King George III](#)) as Grand Master. A Lodge of Reconciliation was formed to reconcile the rituals worked under the two former Grand Lodges.

The new Grand Master had high hopes for Freemasonry, having a theory that it was pre-Christian and could serve the cause of humanity as a universal religion. However, his autocratic dealings with ordinary lodges won him few friends outside London, and sparked open rebellion and a new [Grand Lodge of Wigan](#) in the North West. Within Grand Lodge, opposition centred on Masonic Charity. Robert Crucefix launched the Freemason's Quarterly Review to promote charity to keep Freemasons from the workhouse, and to engage masons in the broader argument for social reform. The Earl of Zetland's complacent and inept management of Grand Lodge played into the hands of the reformers, and by the end of the 1870s English Freemasonry had become a perfect expression of the aspirations of the enlightened middle classes

Fraternally,  
*Chris Jordan*  
Junior Warden

**JUNE MASONIC BIRTHDAYS**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>YEARS</u>
Barry Morris Tucker	1	2006	9
Jack Lee Vanderkolk	1	1966	49
Richard Booth Perryman	2	1954	61
Eugene Peter Young	5	1957	58
Theodore Harrison Fahs	7	1967	48
Jack Carson Andrews, Sr.	9	1993	22
Earl C. Starr	9	1971	44
Jeffery Daniel Swango	10	1998	17
Richard Allen Click	11	1979	36
John Wood Hostetler	12	1968	47
Howard Raymond Morgan, Sr.	15	1988	27
Melvin Frank Norvelle	16	1948	67
Craig Allen Prink	16	2010	5
Jay Laurence Leutenberg	17	1964	51
Ramon Mark Sullivan	18	1973	42
William Harry Copson	19	2013	2
Jean Claude Malterre	23	1988	27
John Abdurhaman Murad	26	1962	53
Ronald Howard Robbins	27	1988	27
Dale Frederic Cooley	29	1970	45
Eboch Wood Peabody III	29	1994	21
Allen Ray Bailey	30	1969	46
Eric Roger Ivey	30	1990	25
Edwin Charles Lewis	30	1974	41

**JULY MASONIC BIRTHDAYS**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>YEARS</u>
Michael Hugh Matlock	9	2003	12
Alan Brian Simmons	10	2013	2
Richard Hamilton Gilreath	12	1975	40
John Wesley Stokes	12	1980	35
Eugene Ellwood Curtis	13	1968	47
Ronald Irvine Lysell	15	1991	24
Trevor Reese Jones	18	2012	3
James Russell Stith	20	1968	47
Mark Allen Viramontes	20	2011	4
Jonathan Luke Rex	23	2014	1
Virgil Dean Larsen	24	2002	13
Edward Arthur Justen	26	2006	9
James Robert Bell	29	1995	20

**AUGUST MASONIC BIRTHDAYS**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>YEARS</u>
Aaron Jedadiah French	7	2013	2
Steven Everett Akins	10	2002	13
Leslie Carl Erdman	13	1975	40
Joaquin Acuna Munoz	14	2013	2
Eddie Marrel Taylor	15	2008	7
Stephen John Patrick	20	1997	18
Lucas Kirkwood Thorne	20	2014	1
Albert James Carr	21	2013	2
Paul Alan Simpson	21	1986	29
Richard James Gonia	24	2005	10
Donald Hunton Phelps	27	1997	18
Engene Jerome Arneson	28	1952	63
Ralph Roscoe Francis	28	1974	41
Conrad Benjamin Buette	29	2001	14
William Eugene Addis	30	1980	35
James Payton Rollins	30	2006	9

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.

**HELP NEEDED**

Brethren, the time has come for me to step down as the editor of the monthly Trestle-board. I am looking for someone to take over that position. I will more than happy to show you how I have been doing it and train you on publisher if you need it. Contact me or the Worshipful Master if you are interested.

Fraternally,  
Jim Wadley

# THE STUDY OF GEOMETRY

## The Symbolic Lodge

Ancient knowledge about celestial observations, solstices, and planetary orbits was known to man thousands of years ago. This knowledge was lost to many during what we now call the dark ages in medieval Europe. King Solomon's Temple was planned with some of this special knowledge and its exact design replication, whether by intention or accident, has served as a vehicle to transmit some of this geometric information known at the time the Temple was built across the centuries.

Albert Pike wrote, "Everything within the Temple was symbolic as the entire structure was intended to represent the Universe." (*Morals and Dogma*, 1872, 2011 Annotated ed.) Henry Bromwell put it this way, "The Lodge is a symbolic effigy of the universe and its work must correspond with the work of the Divine and universal order." (*Restoration of Masonic Geometry and Symbolry*, 1910, 2010 Centennial ed.) Significant symbolic representations of the lodge's design appear to be the daily and yearly movements of the sun, and the motions of the planets in our solar system. According to Bromwell, the symbolic forms and lines of the lodge model the Equator and the Ecliptic, the lines of the tropics, the meridians and magnetic planetary poles, the equinoctial and solstice points, and the observed north and south course of the sun across both hemispheres. (See Figure 1 and Figure 2)

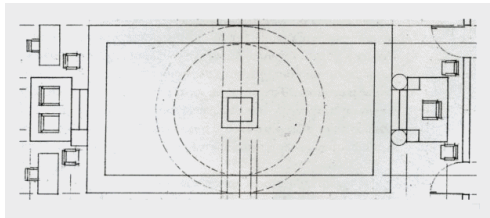


Figure 1. Diagram of Lodge Floor

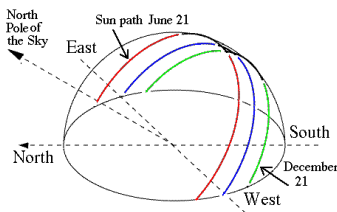


Figure 2. Sun's Arc Across Sky

As an example for the daily movement of the sun, consider that the three primary officers coincide with the Geometric arc made by the sun each day across the sky and correspond to the three stages of its diurnal, semi-circular Geometric journey. Sunrise marks the meridian of the sun and setting. These are represented in the lodge by the Worshipful Master in

the east, the Junior Warden in the south and the Senior Warden in the west. Symbolically, the Worshipful Master rises in the east and opens the work of the lodge as the sun opens the day. The Junior Warden presides over the recess representing the meridian's height at high twelve for the noon-time work break. The Senior Warden helps the Worshipful Master to close the lodge and the toil of the workmen at the close of the work for the day like the sun closes the day when it sets in the west. The east and west orientation of the lodge symbolize the sun's daily path. For more insight regarding the celestial Geometry within the design of the lodge review the sources cited above. To the study of Geometry, therefore, your attention is especially directed.

*William Wilkinson, Esq.*

Junior Deacon

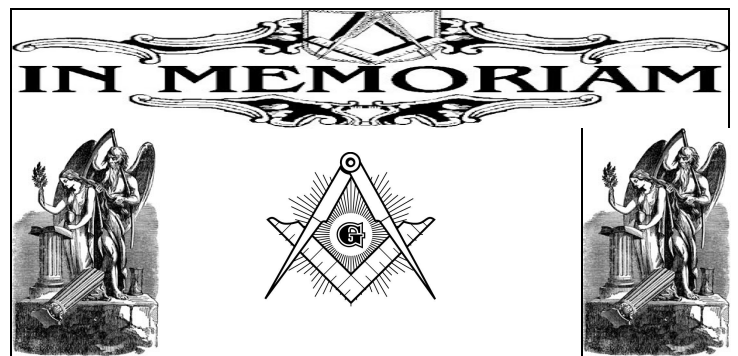


### NIGHT OUT WITH THE DIAMONDBACKS

Brethren,

The Lodge will be going to enjoy a fun filled night of baseball with the Arizona Diamondbacks as they take on the Milwaukee Brewers. This event is on Saturday, July 25th. For the low price of \$40 per person we will be picked up at the Foothills Mall transported by bus to the gate at Chase Field, sit in a great seat on the lower level of the stadium. Then after the game we will be picked up at the gate and returned to our cars here in Tucson. Each person is also promised the giveaway that night of a "Randy Johnson Bobblehead". So invite your friends and family and take them out to the ballgame. Please sign up as soon as you can to assure your place on the 4 bus.

For more information and registration forms, contact Jim Wadley at (520) 575-2753.



#### Of our Brethren who have passed on this Masonic year

Name	Birth	Raised	Death
Minor Grover "Dusty" Rhodes, Jr.	05-31-21	05-08-63	01-09-15

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**SAHUARO HIGH TWELVE #523**  
Meets every Thursday 8:00AM  
Village Inn at 6251 N. Oracle Rd.



**OLD PUEBLO HIGH TWELVE #773**  
Meets every 2ND & 4TH Friday 8:00AM  
Hungry Fox at 4637 E. Broadway

**LADIES PROGRAM**

Knowledge is power: Tools for talking about death and dying

Being well-educated and prepared for the ending season of life is critical to your well-being. It ensures that you receive the care you want and prevents treatments you don't wish to have. Learn about readily available resources, tools for healthy conversations, and legally binding documents that put yourself in charge and keep you in charge even in situations where you are unable to speak for yourself.

Martha Lundgren is a deaconess in training with the United Methodist Church. Her call is to encourage us to anticipate, support and celebrate the sacred time of dying just as much as we anticipate new birth.

**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.

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Arizona Chapter #2, OES, First & Third Tuesdays .....	7:30PM
Saguaro Chapter #48 OES, Second & Fourth Mondays .....	7:30PM
Olana Temple #131, Daughters of the Nile, Third Mondays .....	7:00PM
Oasis Court #75, Ladies Oriental Shrine, First Mondays.....	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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