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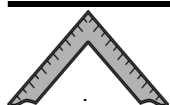
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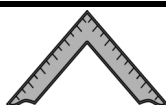
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From The East



Brethren,

"March winds bring April showers which bring May flowers." That is what we were all taught in grade school regarding this season. It applied to my personal observations in my youth having grown up in the Pacific North-West. Here in Arizona, however, you can throw that saying out the window, as March is basically our start of summer. The month of March was named for the Roman god of war, Mars. Traditionally, this was the time of year to resume military campaigns that had been interrupted by winter.

March to me is an exciting and busy month due to all the things it represents. March brings with it the promise of gardening and warmer, sunny days, as Earth turns from its frostbitten cheek of winter and springs forth from the vernal equinox. The Daffodil,

therefore, is the official flower of March.

Here at Tucson #4, March as usual is packed with activities for our Masons. We will have our monthly Stated Meeting and Dinner on March 4. Our Saturday Fellowship breakfast on March 7. Past Master's Night falls on March 11 when we tentatively have scheduled a second Degree. We also additionally have on our agenda one other 2nd Degree and One 3rd Degree. And finally, our Grand Lodge sponsored Leadership Conference will be held on March 27 through 29.

Here are few more fun facts about March 2020:

- Sunday, March 8 is the start of Daylight Saving Time. We don't have to worry about this so much in Arizona, but it does affect us as we attempt to conduct business out of the state. It is also International Women's Day, which is a day that not only celebrates the achievements of women and the progress made toward women's rights, but also brings attention to ongoing struggles for equality around the world.
- Sunday, March 15 is the Ides of March! Legend surrounds this ill-fated day. Beware the Ides of March!
- Tuesday, March 17 is St. Patrick's Day. According to folklore, St. Patrick used the three-leaved clover (shamrock) in his teachings about the Holy Trinity.

MARCH 2020 Calendar

March 4th	Stated Meeting Dinner 6 pm Stated Meeting 7pm
March 7th	Fellowship Breakfast 8 am (Coffee available at 7 am)
March 11th	Past Master's Night 6 pm FC Degree 7pm
March 12th	Trustee Meeting 7pm
March 18th	FC Degree (tentative) 7pm
March 25th	Third Degree
March 27th	Lodge Leadership Conference
March 28th	Lodge Leadership Conference Deadwood Lunch 11:30 am (at Laverna's)
March 29th	Lodge Leadership Conference
Note: Events may have been changed after we went to print. For an up-to-date calendar visit http://tucsonlodge4.homestead.com	

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- Thursday, March 19 brings about the March equinox—also called the vernal or spring equinox—marking the beginning of spring in the Northern Hemisphere. On this day, the Sun stands directly over Earth’s equator. In the Southern Hemisphere, this date marks the autumnal equinox and the beginning of fall.
- March 29-31 are the Borrowing Days. According to lore, the last three days of March have a reputation for being stormy.

The most common name for March’s full Moon (March 9th) is the **Full Worm Moon**. At this time of the year, the ground begins to soften enough for earthworm casts to reappear, inviting robins and other birds to feed—a true sign of spring. Roots start to push their way up through the soil, and the Earth experiences a re-birth as it awakens from its winter slumber. There are many alternative names for the March Moon, however. One such name was the **Full Sap Moon**, as this is the time of year when the sap of sugar maples starts to flow. Happy Spring to all my brothers and their families during this beautiful Month

Richard Vaughn, Worshipful Master

From The West

As we move into late winter early spring, I am reminded that the business of the lodge is steadily picking up with degrees and would be candidates submitting or thinking of submitting their petitions. As we have already heard this is a good problem to have, as we continue to grow our fraternity also by encouraging our newly accepted brothers to jump in and learn certain aspects of freemasonry. This is also done by volunteering whenever the need arises. So with that said let’s have a great year of fellowship and brotherly love for one another.

Robert Ribbeck, Senior Warden

MARCH MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

NAME		DAY	YEARS
BELTRAN	WILLIAM TAFOYA	2	37
JEFFERSON	THOMAS FRANK	2	7
SOULLIARD	CHARLES JUDE	3	17
ABDULHAMID	AYMAN ISMAT	5	18
FISHER	BRUCE ANDREW	8	57
RANDOLPH	JAMES RICHARD	8	37
ESTRELLA	JOSE	9	32
HILL	JAMES BLAKE	9	9
BAILEY	NEIL ALLEN	12	6
HOBBS	E DAVID	17	72
LOSS	DENNIS MICHAEL	19	39
ELROD	MORRIS VAN	22	40
MEYER	HANNES JURGEN	24	16
DOONAN	STEPHEN ODELL	25	22
PODESTA	JUAN CARLOS	26	50
WADLEYJAMES	DONALD	26	41
SHAMBO	EARL JOSEPH	27	41
KERFOOT	RALPH FLEMING	28	22
YANDELL Jr.	WESLEY	28	8

From The South

In continuing my journey through life and Masonry, I found myself at a store where I had placed an order a few days before, requesting pickup for that date and that time. To my surprise it wasn't ready, nor even started. Not too long ago, I would have forgotten to subdue my passions and to circumscribe my desires and let them know how mad I was about it. Keeping in mind the lessons I have learned in Masonry, I didn't! I calmly asked if my order was going to be ready soon and they worked diligently to find out - and then did make it happen. No doubt I was relieved and happy. I was almost even proud of my restraint. In retrospect I ponder, what if I had acted angrily? All in my Masonic regalia; my hat, my ring, and me representing the lodge in which I hold my membership. What would those 6 or 7 employees of that store have thought about how Masons are? Not to mention the 15 other customers who were in the store at that time. I am glad that I have learned those lessons that keep me humble and represent our ancient and honorable fraternity, the way we all should. I love all my brethren of this lodge and of all our craft. To meet on the Level, act upon the Plumb and part upon the Square. Thank you to all, my brethren.

Carl Erdman, Junior Warden

TUCSON LODGE #4 TEAMS 'AT WORK'



2020 Rodeo Team



2020 Fellowship Breakfast Team. Too many cooks in the kitchen?

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.

March 28th



Altan Kol Grotto M.O.V.P.E.R.

(Your Masonic playground)

Meetings 2nd Thursday - (Dark July & August)

3959 E Mabel Street, Tucson, AZ

Stop in and say hello - Wives are welcome

6pm Pot Luck - & 7pm meeting

Ken Lewis, Secretary (520) 349-0709

Grand Lodge Scholarships

(From the Secretary's Desk)

Applications for the 2020-2021 Grand Lodge Scholarships are available from the Secretary. The deadline for completing the application, including the required documents, is April 1, 2020. Applications will be submitted to the secretary who will review them for completeness and forward them to the scholarship committee.

Applicants must meet one of the following criteria: be the son, daughter, grandson, or granddaughter of an Arizona mason in good standing, or be an Arizona member (or an Arizona senior/majority member) of the Order of DeMolay, Rainbow Girls, or Job's Daughters. The applicant must use the scholarship to a school of higher learning within the state of Arizona, unless the major course of study is not offered within the state of Arizona. The applicant must be a full time student in an undergraduate program (and carry a minimum of 12 semester hours).

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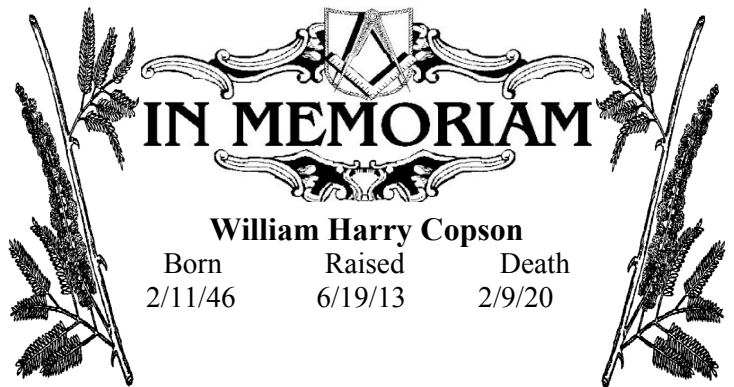
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Meets every Thursday 8:00AM
Old Times Kafe 1485 W. Prince Rd.



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Meets 2ND & 4TH Fridays 8:00AM
Sabbar Shrine Temple
450 S Tucson Blvd

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From The Secretary



2020 lodge dues are \$122 (\$126 via PayPal) and are due and payable by December 31, 2019. As I have done in the past, consider the trestle board as a dues notice. With 163 dues paying members, you can see the cost of postage adds up. By using the trestle board, I can save significantly on postage. So far, 25% of the dues paying membership have paid their dues. I usually send out your dues card within 24 hours of receiving payment. The traditional dues notices will be going out the first week of January.

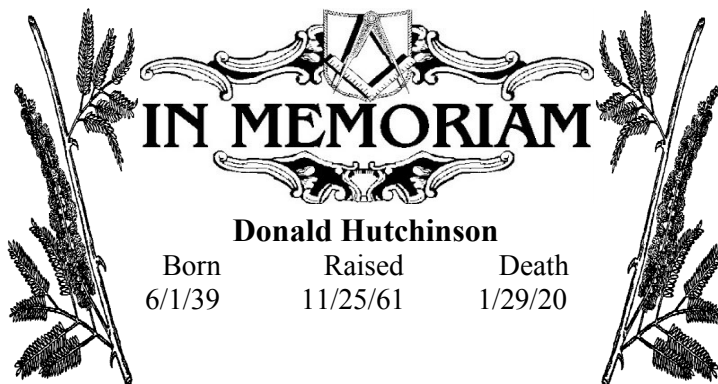
Sincerely and Fraternally,
Paul Simpson, PM

BREAKFAST!

Bring family and friends to our Buffet-Style Fellowship Breakfast on

Saturday March 7th 8:00 am-10:00 am

Weekly specials, Gene's Grits (subject to Gene's Schedule), Scrambled eggs, pancakes, potatoes, biscuits & gravy, and bacon.



TUCSON LODGE MASONIC FAMILY SCHEDULES

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.....	7:30PM
Oasis Court #75, Ladies Oriental Shrine, First Monday	7:00PM
Daughters of Scotia, Second Friday.....	7:00 PM
DeMolay - Arizona Chapter, First and Third Sundays.....	6:00PM
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