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From The East



"We are what we repeatedly do, excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit."

-Rumi

Hello from the East! I hope this finds you all well. We are still hard at work in preparation for the degrees we have upcoming. We have several men in our discussion group who are hopeful to join us on our journey. If you get the chance, it would be great for each of you to join in that group at some point and meet a new potential brother. The group meets Thursdays at 7pm at the lodge.

March Calendar

Mon Mar 4	Reservations for dinner due	Noon	
Wed Mar 6	Stated Meeting Dinner	6:00 pm	
	Stated Meeting	7:00 pm	
Wed Mar 13	Officer Practice	7:00 pm	
Wed Mar 20	Past Master's Night	7:00 pm	
Fri Mar 22 - Sun Mar 24—Masonicon (Prescott)			
Wed Mar 27	Officer Practice	7:00 pm	
Fri Mar 29	Cigar Night	7:00 pm	
Wed Apr 3	Stated Meeting	7:00 pm	

Please refer to the Worshipful Master's weekly email for the latest updates as the details of the events are not yet fully known when this edition is sent out. For example, one of the practices may become an official visit to another lodge.

The quote above invites reflection upon the nature if virtue itself. It speaks to the transformative power of habit. It urges us all to cultivate virtues as the cornerstone of character. Excellence, therefore, is the lodestar of our journey beaconing us to transcend the ordinary and strive for extraordinary in all our endeavors.

May this month again be a time of fellowship and shared growth. May we attend our gatherings with open hearts, ready to strengthen the bonds of brotherhood. Let our lodge be a testament to the transformative power of Masonry, where harmony prevails, and the light of wisdom shines bright.

Time is fleeting and each of us is only given so much. It's not too late to do the things today you said you'd do yesterday or tell those you love how much you care.

Fraternally,

7revor 7anzillo, Your brother





From The Secretary



"We're lost, but making record time"

2LT Navigator somewhere over the Pacific

Welcome to the month of March where I get a chance to take a deep breath, and after that second or third cup of coffee before getting to work. NOT!. The good news is we have submitted all of our annual reports and financials and hopefully the Grand Lodge will be happy with them. I sent our an electronic copy of dues notices and have had a good response. As of this writing we have 21 brothers who have yet to pay their dues. Last year at this time, it was 33. Seeing as Grand Lodge just cashed our check for \$7288 for our per capita and annual fees, "we need the dues". So, if you haven't paid your dues please do so. (If you got the movie reference, I'll buy you a cup of coffee at the lodge).

Our building is starting to show it's age. Right now we are in the market for a new commercial hot water heater. I have received a crash course in what is required by code. We have one bid/estimate so far and I can almost buy a new car at the level of their bid. I will be getting 4 bids, and submitting my recommendation to the trustees for their approval. If the amount is in excess of \$20,000 I will have to submit it to Grand Lodge for approval. For another cup of coffee I will also explain my part in the section in the code I was responsible for (it was a one word change). We also have a couple of minor leaks in the kitchen that need to be taken care of.

For those who may not know, our custodian, Bro Carlos Tolsa has given up his business as the result of changing jobs. Carlos served the lodge for a good many years and did a fantastic job. We are in the search of a new custodian and have one identified and are working on the statement of work. Until then, we need some help. The lodge could use a good vacuuming and general cleanup. I have been doing what I can, but I can only do so much. It is almost a full time job keeping the bath rooms stocked, especially this time of the year. The big thing here is if you make a mess, clean it up. I am not your mother (although in prior AF jobs I received a Mother's Day card).

For those of you who may not know, I am a retired USAF navigator and served as a navigator, instructor and evaluator navigator on multiple big aircraft (KC-135s, AWACS, and EC-130Hs) and also worked as a government contractor teaching in the school house. In all my years flying all over the world, I was NEVER lost. However, there were a couple of times were I knew exactly where I was over the north Atlantic, but don't askme to prove it.

MARCH MASONIC BIRTHDAYS			
NAME	DAY	YEARS	
WILLIAM TAFOYA BELTRAN	02	41	
CHARLES JUDE SOULLIARD	03	21	
AYMAN ISMAT ABDULHAMAD	05	22	
BRUCE ANDREW FISHER	08	61	
JOSE ESTRELLA	09	35	
JAMES BLAKE HILL	09	13	
NICHOLAS LANE WERTS	10	3	
NEIL ALLEN BAILEY	12	10	
JAMES HENRI BLANKENSHIP	15	41	
DENNIS MICHAEL LOSS	19	41	
MORRIS VAN ELROD	22	44	
HANNES JURGEN MEYER	24	20	
JOSHUA LEE STEWART	24	3	
STEPHEN ODELL DOONAN	25	26	
JAMES DONALD WADLEY, PGM	26	45	
EARL JOSEPH SHAMBO	27	45	
WESLEY YANDELL	28	12	
JOSEPH FRANKLIN MADDUX	30	64	
BOWMAN DEWAYNE PAXTON	30	5	
HOWARD MARK STEINBERG	30	8	
DONALD MELIVE JESS	31	21	

Mention it is your masonic birthday month and get a free meal at that month's stated meeting.

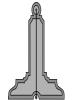
MARCH BIRTHDAYS			
NAME	DAY		
WILLIAM ROBERT LOBB	01		
JOSEPH FRANKLIN MADDUX	03		
ROBERT PERRY RODDEY	04		
SALIM ELIE JABBOUR	05		
JOHN PHILLIPS MATTHEWS	08		
BRAD DEWAYNE TEMPLETON	09		
GENE ARTHUR WICKEY	09		
HANNES JURGEN MEYER	13		
JAMES RUSSELL STITH	20		
MOE MOMAYEZ	21		
BARRY MORRIS TUCKER	22		
RANDALL RAY WARD	26		
EARL JOSEPH SHAMBO	27		
JIMMIE DON CORRIE	28		
STEPHEN ODELL DOONAN	31		
BENJAMIN DEGAMO GARCIA	31		

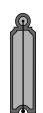
Feel free to drop these brothers a card on their earthly birthday.

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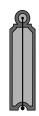
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From The West





From The South



As Senior Warden, part of my duties is officer development. This year we have a very young line of officers—both masonically and in age. I am pleased with their development so far. We have had several practices and have concentrated on rod and floor work for the deacons and stewards. Since the first practice until now, I have seen a great deal of improvement, I am pleased with their progress. Ritual is coming along nicely as well. Brother Darryl did an excellent job in the East at our last Fellowcraft Degree.

Freemasonry is not all ritual and floorwork. We also need to take time to socially develop as brothers. The WM has set up several cigar nights at Anthony's Cigar Emporium. This is a great opportunity to sit and talk an have a good time. We have had several potential candidates join us.

Let's try to make this year a fun year year—full of education and brotherly love .

Bo Paxton Senior Warden

ADVERTISING IN TUCSON 4 NEWSLETTER

Would you like to get your business out to your Masonic Brothers? If so, consider taking out an ad in the Tucson Lodge 4 Newsletter. It is published monthly and gets sent out all over the State. You will also be helping your Lodge continue to provide its members and friends with current articles and information. A 1/8 page (business card) is only \$75.00, a 1/4 page ad is \$150.00, a 1/2 page ad is \$300.00 and a full page ad is \$600.00. If interested please contact the Lodge secretary and we will set you up. Thanks for your support.

Greetings Brethren,

It was great seeing you everyone at the stated meeting and dinner on February 7th. We had a great turnout for the dinner. Thank you brothers Dan and Austin for preparing and cooking the meal.

Next month we will have corn beef with cabbage and loaded baked potatoes. Please get your reservations in by noon on March 4th. Stated meeting is March 6th and I will go shopping for the products on the Monday prior to the meeting. If you do RSVP for the dinner, please show up, as the food was already purchased for your meal.

February 10th was our first time hosting the Saturday breakfast in quite a while. While it was not a very good turnout, those who came enjoyed good food and good fellowship. Volunteers are definitely needed to help in the kitchen in order to keep it going.

I had the honor and privilege of conferring the second degree of masonry upon brother Rick. When you see him, congratulate him on being passed to the FC degree.

Hope to see you all at our next stated meeting on March 6th!

Darryl Weaver, Junior Warden



TUCSON LODGE MASONIC FAMILY SCHEDULES

Saguaro Chapter #48 OES, Second & Fourth Mondays	7:00PM
Olana Temple #131, Daughters of the Nile, Third Monday	6:00PM
Oasis Court #75, Ladies Oriental Shrine, First Monday	6:00PM
Daughters of Scotia, Second Friday	7:00 PM
DeMolay - Arizona Chapter	For info Contact Arizona.Chair@AzDeMolay.org
Bethel #25, Job's Daughters	For info Contact Laureen at bethel25azjdi@gmail.com
Assembly #2, Rainbow Girls	For info Contact Paul Simpson at psimpson130@gmail.com

For use of the Lodge Building contact the Lodge Secretary at tl4so@outlook.com

Our Sick and Distressed Brothers

Brethren, please keep the following ailing brethren in your prayers. If you would like to send a card, please contact the secretary for their address.

James Moore, Ralph Francis, Ron Hill, Wes Yandell's wife, Mary

If you know of any brothers who are sick or in distress please let the Senior Warden or the Secretary know.

Gaslight Theatre

Once again, we will be making another pilgrimage to the far east side of Tucson (Kolb Rd) to the Gaslight Theatre. **Save the date—Friday, April 19th at 8:30 pm for** Harlie's Angels.. Tickets will be \$22 for adults and \$17 for children. See the secretary for reservations! We have 40 seats reserved.

Harlie is the unseen head of a detective agency that specializes in one of a kind cases. He calls his detectives "Angels," for there is something unique about them. Now, Harlie has summoned the Angels to crack a case, which involves double dealing in the fast-paced worlds of music and high fashion. Swing into the 1970s as these glamorous private investigators high kick their way to solving their toughest case yet - in Harlie's Angels! *This musical melodrama is fun for all ages!







So You Want a Masonic Funeral?

Gene Wickey

At some point in time, the Celestial Lodge will be calling Masons home to their final resting place. We don't know when, but we know it will be sometime in the future. The end of our long, and hopefully productive journey, in this life will be over.

As a Mason, you are entitled to have a Masonic funeral. The request can be made by either the Mason, during his lifetime, or in his final instructions. It can also be made by a family member.

A Masonic funeral, properly planned for, can be a source of great comfort and healing to loved ones and friends especially when those present at the service get an accurate profile and better insight into the life of the person they have come to honor.

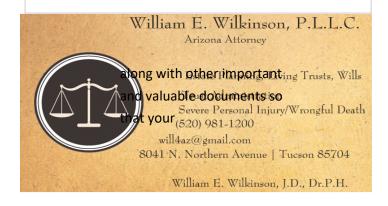
The service may be held in a chapel, church, home, synagogue, or Lodge room, with committal at graveside if requested. The service may be held in conjunction with a religious service and/or other fraternal service such as the Legion or Elks, or may be the only service performed.

This is at the pleasure of the family, with the only restriction being that the Masonic service, once started, must be completed without interruption for another service.

It is advisable to express your wishes in writing and give a copy to the person who will handle your affairs. Attach a copy to your final instructions so your survivors can comply with your expressed intentions and wishes.

(Portions of this article were taken from an article written by Brother Felix Conlon)

Editors Note: The secretary has a pamphlet/workbook where a brother can make note of his wishes as to his final services. It also has a section where you can list the points of contact for insurance policies, the VA, and so forth.



GRAND LODGE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE March 22-24

The Grand Lodge Leadership Conference (Aka Masonicon) will once again be held at the Prescott Resort and Conference Center in Prescott, AZ. It will start with a No Host Cocktail Reception Thursday evening and sessions will run on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday morning. Besides lodge leadership, there will be several sessions esoterica. There is also a ladies program. Please go to the Grand Lodge website for more information or click on this link: https://www.azmasons.org/ . Discounted room reservations have been extended until March 15th.

PAST MASTERS' NIGHT

Ever wonder what the ritual was like in past years? On March 20th you will be able to hear the Past Masters of the lodge confer a degree according to the ritual OF THEIR YEAR. Of course, seeing as the ritual is being done by PMs. We know it will be letter perfect. There will be a dinner at 6 and reservations rules apply. Come on out for a very enjoyable evening. Harrumph!

GRAND LODGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Applications for the 2024-2025 Grand Lodge Scholarships are available from the Secretary. The deadline for completing the application, including the required documents, is April 1, 2024. 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).

TUCSON FESTIVAL OF BOOKS

Our own masonic troubadour, WB Randall Dighton, will be performing at the Friends of the Festival Dining Plaza as part of the Tucson Festival of Books. He will be performing on Saturday, March 9th from 11 am to 2 pm. The area is located on the north side of the Student Union Building. WB Randall says he will be playing his lute and wearing his MacKenzie kilt and singing his usually oldies but goodies (1550s to 2000s). Admission to the festival is free, and parking can be a challenge. There are several shuttle parking areas. Check out this link for more information www.TucsonFestivalofBooks.org. This is his 63rd year of being a professional troubadour, and we are extremely fortunate to have him as the only masonic troubadour in Arizona.

INFORMATION SECURITY

Over the last several months, you may have received a request from the WM to send him the numbers off of a couple of gift cards. There has also been an email scam going around with a similar request from the Grand Master. To make it clear, we will never send out a request of this type. If we do send out a request it will be in the same format we use for the weekly email. If you receive a request you are not sure of, reach out to either the WM or secretary at their emails to verify it's authenticity. From time to time the secretary receives validated emails from the Grand Secretary with donation requests and he will send them out accordingly.

As part of an effort to cut back on some of these scam emails and to protect our members, we have removed the contact information for most of the officers from the back of the trestle board. The only published emails will be those on the masthead or within a flyer from another lodge. If you need an address and you don't have access to Grand View, reach out to the secretary.

SAHUARO HIGH TWELVE #523 Meets every Thursday 8:00AM Old Times Kafe 1485 W. Prince Rd.



2024 LODGE OFFICERS

Worshipful Master	Trevor Tanzillo (Isela)
Senior Warden	Bo Paxton (Karen)
Junior Warden	Darryl Weaver (Laura)
Treasurer	Ronald Hill, PM (Linda)
Deputy Treasurer	Jon Schmidt, PM (Shari).
Secretary	Paul Simpson, PM (Catheryn)
Secretary Emeritus	Bob Conrad, PGM (Jackie)
Senior Deacon	Moe Momayez
Junior Deacon	Gabriel Class (Rosa)
Senior Steward	William Predgo (Cheryl)
Junior Steward	Austin Pena
Marshal	Gregory Pfister
Chaplain	Justus Smith
Tyler	Sam Greer, PM (Patricia)
Musician	Randall Dighton, PM (Linda)
Ritual Advisor	TBD
Trustee 2024	Hannes Meyer, PM (Joyce)
Trustee 2024	Rafael Leidy-Escabi
Trustee 2024	William Wilkinson, PM (Laurie)
Trustee 2025	Gabriel Class (Rosa)
Trustee 2026	Sam Greer, PM (Patricia)
Website Editor	John Prokop (Sharlot)
Widow's Assistance	Paul Simpson, PM (Catheryn)



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