

TRESTLEBOARD

Scottsdale Lodge 43 F&AM



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This issue is dedicated to the memory of **WB Jim Watson**

GREETINGS FROM THE EAST



Brothers this month I'm reaching out to you to help the Lodge get into the best position possible. It is imperative that we all cooperate and contribute to help build the future. You may have seen a copy of the committee commitment request form, I encourage all of you to find a committee that you're interested in and join, not only join but be an active part.

Fundraising is also a major factor for this year. We are starting a silent auction and other events to help meet our goals. We are open to ideas and suggestions as well.

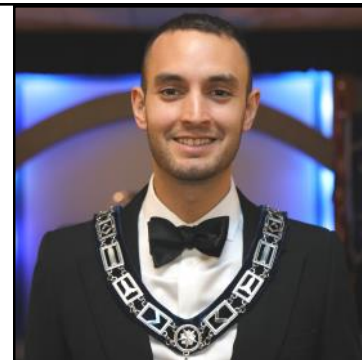
Please make sure to check our Facebook page for future events. We are working on a more user friendly version of the email blast as well. There are several events coming up game watches and movie nights. Fellowship is very important, let's get to know each other.

Brothers there is a lot to be done and the work of many makes for better times.

Bradley Manhoff
Worshipful Master 2020
Scottsdale Lodge #43



GREETINGS FROM THE WEST



This month, I wanted to do something a little bit different. In lieu of Bro. Robert Burns Birthday this past month, January 25th 1759. I wanted to share with you a poem by him for your enjoyment. As you may know Robert Burns is one of the most celebrated masonic poets in the world and his poetry was said to have influenced Abraham Lincoln in his efforts to win the civil war and abolish slavery. Robert Burns was initiated on 4th July 1781, in St David's Lodge, No, 174 Scotland, Tarbolton. He was passed and raised in the same Lodge on 1st October 1781, and he passed away July 21st, 1796.

Adieu, A Heart-warm, Fond Adieu - Robert Burns

Adieu, a heart warm, fond adieu,
Dear brothers of the mystic tie!
Ye favored, ye enlightened few,
Companions of my social joy!
Tho' I to foreign lands must hie,
Pursuing fortune's sliddery ba'
With melting heart and brimful eye,
I'll mind you still, though far awa'.
Oft have I met your social band,
An' spent the cheerful, festive night;
Oft, honored with supreme command,
Presided o'er the sons of light;
And by that Hieroglyphic bright,
Which none but Craftsmen ever saw,
Strong memory on my heart shall write
Those happy scenes, when far awa'.

May freedom, harmony and love
Unite you in the grand design,
Beneath th' omniscient Eye above,
The glorious Architect divine;—
That you may keep the unerring line,



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Still guided by the plummet's law,
Till order bright completely shine,
Shall be my prayer when far awa'.
And you farewell, whose merits claim

Justly that highest badge to wear,—
Heaven bless your honored, noble name,
To Masonry and Scotia dear!
A last request, permit me here;
When yearly ye assemble a',
One round,—I ask it with a tear
To him. the Bard. that's far awa'.

Fraternally,
Jonathan D'Emilio
Senior Warden

Editorial Opinion

Over 60 years ago as a DeMolay, we had a saying that was imparted to all new members and a reminder to existing members. It was, "You only get out of DeMolay what you put into DeMolay".

Looking to the goals of our WM for this year and substituting the word Masonry for DeMolay, this saying can easily hold true for all Masons in Scottsdale Lodge #43. Those that are active in the Lodge in some way get much more out of it than they put into it. Daily, weekly or even monthly activities with Brothers, all contribute to your Masonic experience, whether in Lodge or meeting with Brothers outside of Lodge, all provide and add to your Masonic experience.

Don't wait to be called upon, but step forward and make it known that as a Brother Mason you want to contribute your time and talents in some way to Scottsdale #43. You may become a ritualist, handyman, member of a task force or committee as needed. It matters not, but your willingness to share your skills, not only will make you feel more connected to the fraternity, but will improve your Masonic experiences.

In our busy lives outside of Lodge there are many other demands on our time and we each make choices of how to spend our time. At some point in your life you asked to become a Mason and were welcomed into the Lodge. Now, it is incumbent on you to make the choice of giving some of your time to the Lodge in your own way.

Fred LaBell 32°,
Trestleboard Editor

From the South

The recent passing of Worshipful brother Jim Watson is a clear reminder that "we are all traveling upon the level of time...". WB Jim made helped us become better men, and will be greatly missed.



This month's Junior Warden article will focus on the working tools of the 2nd degree. Words and phrases all speculative masons should be acutely aware of in the goal of making oneself a better man. After reading this article it is hoped you will take a critical look within, and evaluate how you are walking upright, and squaring your actions.

To many brothers, young and old alike, the 2nd degree is the most beautiful of all degrees. The 2nd degree teaches that we have lost our blush of Innocence, and are quickly careening through Manhood, towards old age. In short, old age is coming for us all.

Ritual is comprised of specific words, grips, and phrases. Every word is significant, and every phrase has a particular meaning. It is no coincidence when opening lodge on a 2nd degree we are tried upon the Square of truth and morality, then later are taught to Square our actions by the square of virtue. We are admonished to walk upright in our several stations.

While every word is important, some words are resonated greater than others. "Truth and morality". "Virtue". "Admonishes". These words, when carefully evaluate, create a clear path to a rich and fulfilled life.

I challenge each and every one of you be critical of yourself, and truly evaluate your actions in these Stations before God and man.

- Family – spouse, kids, parents, grandparents
- Occupation
- Masonic charity
- Personal mental and physical improvement

We are admonished to be the best husbands to our wives and fathers to our children. Admonished to be the best employee we can be. Admonished to live a life of moral rectitude. Admonished to constantly self-improve. Admonished to have an attentive ear, an instructive tongue, and a faithful breast.

How will YOU, my brother, square YOUR actions. today?

Fraternally,
Tim Scarpino
Junior Warden



In Memoriam

W.B. Brother Jim Watson

has Traveled to the Celestial Lodge Above



James Edwin "Jim" Watson passed away on December 22, 2019 in Phoenix, Arizona.

Jim was born December 29, 1947 in Tucson, Arizona to Jess and Marguerite Watson. Jim grew up in Blythe, California where he met the love of his life, Fredna Shropshire, in high school and was married September 5, 1970.

Jim served in the Air Force Reserves from 1970 to 1976.

Jim attended Palo Verde College in Blythe before transferring to California State Polytechnic College, Pomona, California. He graduated in 1972 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in history and a minor in chemistry; and a post graduate teaching credential. He taught vocational agricultural classes at Palo Verde High School, was FFA advisor, and a basketball coach. Always active in the community, Jim was a member of Blythe Jaycees and the Kiwanis Club. Their two children, Marissa and Vincent, were born in Blythe.

Jim and Fredna moved to Phoenix to work for a company selling and repairing cotton gin equipment. After a few years Jim opened his own company, which he operated for 36 years, selling and repairing cotton gins throughout the United States and internationally.

Jim and Fredna raised their family in Tempe, AZ. Jim was Boy Scout leader, Girl Scout dad, Sunday school teacher, member of Dayspring UM Church for 35 years. He became a Master Mason of Free and Accepted Masons, Past Worshipful Master of Scottsdale Lodge #43 in 2007; Scottish Rite 32nd degree, Knight Commander Court of Honor; Eastern Star; and a Shriner. As a Shriner Jim was part of the Shrine Clown unit serving as "Haywire".

He enjoyed traveling, making new friends, hiking, backpacking, fishing, reading, and teaching. His greatest passion was his family. Being a devoted husband, father, and grandfather brought him the joy and fulfillment he sought in life.

He is preceded in death by his beloved parents, his beloved father-and-mother-in-law, a sister, four brothers, nieces, nephews, and his precious grandson Collin Watson.

Jim is survived by his wife of 49 years, Fredna; daughter Marissa Watson (Michael Schmidt); son Vincent (Morgan) Watson; granddaughters Jocelyn Watson, Lauren Watson, Loralai Colin, Lucy Watson, Kinley Tripp, and Ellie Zimmerman.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Shriners Hospitals for Children; Arizona Kidney Foundation; or the Phoenix Foundation c/o Grand Lodge of Arizona, PO Box 35692, Phoenix, AZ 85069 for Masonic scholarships.



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ATTENTION

Lodge Dues for 2020 are due now, if you have a challenge paying your dues, contact the Lodge ASAP for help or assistance.

CONTACT THE SECRETARY
480- 946 -1072 or EMAIL :
secretary@scottsdalelodge43.com

Brothers Working With Brothers

Brothers, If you haven't seen this new Facebook Group to find Masonic Brothers' business and services or just to sell something, look it up and join in.



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Thursday 5PM-7PM
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From the Organist

ATTITUDE

Hear the words...Feel the attitude. That is a fairly decent description of the subject at hand. As a comparative, ability and aptitude describe what you are capable of doing. Motivation determines why it gets done. Attitude says how well you will do it. That compendium of quotes probably contains more comprehension than the present day use can convey. Common usage displays the negative comprehension of an ill tempered view of biased opinions of most things. Biased views of course stem from personal views of of the value given to what may be at hand. It seems reasonable to assume determinations arrive from attitudes which are influenced by experience, knowledge, prejudice, and among others, reluctance to change.

Attitude as a word most often is seen as something negative. This seems to come from overt use describing someone that seems overtly opposed more often than not to changes facing him, for reasons discussed above. The reality is in the objective of the many , not the few. It is called progress.

So much for dissection. The free societies welcome diversity. Attitude is the broad view of opinion, and should valued for what it is.

Fraternally,
Dave Woodland, PM
Organist

Looking Back in Time



Visiting Colonial Degree Team



WB Jim Watson* with WB Dave Woodland



Brother Blaine Keith* and Sheriff Joe.



WB Dennis Sprouse*



WM James Xie Table Lodge Toast



Visiting Brothers from Prescott



El Zaribah Shrine Musicians: Bob, Alan and Jim

* Deceased Brothers



Lodge Office help Needed

Looking for a brother or brothers to be at lodge Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10-2 for lodge hours. If we share the responsibility we can make it easy to have lodge open for "office hours".

BLUE ALERT FOR LOST BROTHERS

Volunteers are needed to come in on a Sunday and help search for brothers addresses?

We have many returned envelopes and need a group of volunteers to work together to determine how we might find these brothers. It could be phone calls, social media accounts, personal knowledge.

**They should get in touch with the Secretary,
Telephone 203-559-9504.**

EASTERN STAR

Eastern Star will be selling See's Candy this next month. You'll be able to buy it for that special person in your life for Valentines Day OR just some candy for your own 'sweet tooth'. Please call Diane Hutchinson for orders 480-495-7521

**Fraternally,
Janet Mielke, Past Matron
Scottsdale #43, Order of the Eastern Star**



Check out your Lodge Library's many books to learn more about Masonry and it's very long history.



**Phoenix Body of the Scottish Rite -
Knights of St. Andrew**

The Knights of St. Andrew have teamed up with the Caledonian Society and the Daughters of Scotia to present the 56th Annual Phoenix Highland Games.

The Highland Games will take place at Steele Indian School Park on March 7th and 8th of 2020.

You don't have to be Scottish to attend our Games. We welcome everyone and hope you'll share with us about your cultural background too! Visit the Genealogy tent and trace your own family roots. There will be so much to see and do!

Artists will entertain throughout the day with their traditional and modern Scottish tunes. The wee lads & lassies area will entertain our younger visitors.

We will also showcase competitive highland dancing, pipe bands, heavy athletics, country dancing, historical re-enactments, vintage British car exhibitions and representatives of over 50 Clans

Dogs on leashes are OK, but please be prepared to clean up after your pet. However the adjacent Dog Park will be closed for the weekend.

We are looking for Masonic Volunteers (you don't have to belong to the Scottish Rite or the KSA) to work the Masonic Tents and the Kids play zone. Food and admission will be provided for all volunteers.

If you are interested in attending and volunteering please contact either Scott Tracy or Kenneth Von Hopf at Scottsdale Lodge 43.



SCOTTSDALE MASONIC LODGE #43

February Masonic Anniversaries Celebrating Another Year in the Light

Robert Dale Tarr	2/18/1956	James Harris Meredith	2/24/1977	Erik Richard Mindermann	2/20/2003
James Clarence Hedberg	2/28/1963	Roger A. Luedeman	2/3/1983	Kyle Andrew Larkin	2/17/2005
Ronald Milton Robinson	2/27/1964	Robert Abel Elsner, PM	2/27/1986	Peter Mathern	2/22/2007
Gary Fremont Underhill	2/20/1967	Dennis Leslie Reynolds	2/25/1988	James Farrell McClelland II	2/28/2007
Thomas Lee Asbury	2/26/1970	Henry William Johnson	2/23/1989	Adam Daniel Arena	2/28/2008
Gerald Harris Lankin	2/26/1970	Jeffrey Otis Amstutz	2/9/1995	Steven Paul LaBell	2/28/2008
Roy Eugene Sansom	2/25/1971	David Richard Schafnit	2/19/1998	Scott Herbert Tracy	2/28/2008
Henry A. Wilson Jr PGM	2/18/1972	Francis Arthur Shanley	2/19/1998	John Alexander Robinson	2/12/2009
John Scott Brower	2/29/1972	Ross Gerard Suozzi	2/18/1999	Terrence David Mundy	2/11/2010
Gregory Clayton Hein	2/22/1973	Dirk Alan Johnson	2/17/2000	Roger Norman Behm Jr.	2/22/2018
George Craig Hutchinson	2/22/1973	Michael Wayne Bozarth	2/21/2002	Gary Patrick Nelson	2/21/2019
Troy Bennett Steckenrider	2/7/1976	Thomas Alan Minor	2/21/2002	Francis Salvatore Sorrentino	2/21/2019
Richard G. Honneywell	2/26/1976	Christopher M. McDaniel III	2/20/2003	Thomas Andrew Jaeger	2/24/2019

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Scottsdale Masonic Lodge Building

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Lodge Family Picnic in 20??



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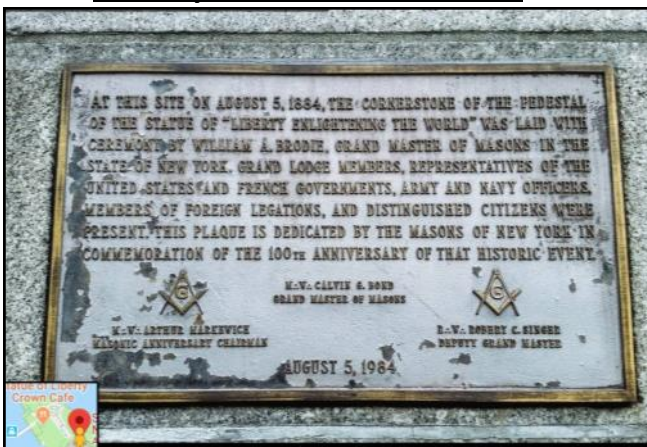


Table Lodge Seating by Height or age?



Straight Shooters?

Did you know about this?



Masonic Plaque at the base of the Statue of Liberty



Family fun ride at Lodge Picnic in McCormick RR Park

Arizona Grand Lodge Website

In an ongoing effort to keep in touch with the Masons of Arizona, the Social Media Committee of the Grand Lodge of Arizona has launched an online Social Media monthly newsletter to recap some of the items each month that are trending around the State.

We hope that it will encourage communication and share knowledge around the State while also giving another outlet to the activities of our many Lodges in Arizona. As is the case with Social Media, we intend for it to be enjoyable and informative and hope that it will grow and adapt to the needs and wants of our Craft as it progresses.

<http://www.azmasons.org>

**Fraternally,
Tom Burke,
Secretary**

**** February Calendar of Events ****

**Thurs. Feb. 6thStated Meeting &
Annual Girl Scout Cookie Sale**

**Thurs. Feb. 13thRed Heart Ball for
Widows and Ladies**

Tues. Feb 18th 6:00PM Education Night

Thurs. Feb. 20th 3rd Degree Night

Fri. Feb. 21stWine and Cheese Event

Thurs. Feb. 27th 2nd Degree Night

Sat. Feb. 29th ...8:30AM Past Masters Advocacy

Dinner precedes all meetings at 6:00PM

Watch for email updates from the Secretary

<http://www.scottsdalelodge43.com>

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CALL IF YOU NEED A RIDE TO LODGE

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MEETING LOCATION

Scottsdale Masonic Lodge #43
2531 N. Scottsdale Rd., Scottsdale, AZ.

Stated Meeting: The first Thursday of each month at 7:00pm, except July and August.

Dinner at 6:00pm.

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