

TRESTLEBOARD

Scottsdale Lodge 43 F&AM



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Like the old song...."See you in September"

FROM THE EAST

Summer is officially here. Well, at least its temperatures are. Phoenix summers always remind me of my favorite out of town family member who visits too long. It's great when they first arrive, but after a while it just becomes too much.



Benjamin Franklin said it best when he said "guests, like fish, begin to smell after three days." Same is true with Phoenix summers.

Here are a few ways to help survive the summer.

Hikes to beat the heat

1) **Slide Rock State Park:** This is a 0.3-mile trail with a difficulty rating of moderate. Slide Rock State Park features a natural rock water slide located in Oak Creek Canyon just 15 minutes from Sedona and 40 minutes from Flagstaff. Slide Rock State Park was originally the Pendley Homestead and is a primitive route running along Oak Creek. This extremely popular area features a natural water slide along Oak Creek.

<https://azstateparks.com/slide-rock/explore/park-history>

2) **Old Caves Crater Trail:** This is a 3.5-mile loop trail near Flagstaff, Arizona. Generally considered a moderately challenging route, it takes an average of 1 h 36 min to complete. From the trailhead, Old Caves Crater Trail takes you through volcanic cinder fields and Ponderosa Pines to the base of an extinct cinder cone volcano. As you climb Old Caves Crater the vegetation changes to a mix of mostly pinion and juniper trees with a few ponderosas. The trail heads towards the base of the cinder cone, then travels up the side where you'll encounter switchbacks before it turns towards the interior of the crater and up to the rim.

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FROM THE WEST

The most important part of the journey, in the same as creating a building, is the foundation of the beginning. From the first time we come to lodge and eat with brothers as someone who is "on the threshold" to the day we are raised. This time, for all masons, is critical time for a foundation of Freemasonry. Amazing, this is the time that most people will choose to not come back to lodge and finish their degrees. So let us look at this for a moment and see if there is something that we can take away from this point to make the Journey of Freemasonry more productive, and prosperous.



Freemasonry is a personal journey, an internal journey of the heart mind and soul. We would dare to say that if you see no change in your life, except for paying dues yearly, than you truly miss the function of our great craft. We believe this happens because people forget that our great craft has many different facets, but none of them are taken alone. In fact, that is what we hear, and need to hear more often, that no one takes a step in Freemasonry alone. We find sometimes that Mentors or Intenders do not keep a constant open communication between themselves and their charge. Brothers are left with the notion that they are on their own in studying, and if they need any help just call. Though this will work with a few Brothers, we are not keeping our promise to each other. I am not talking about being annoying, but being available, and willing to learn that there is a two way communication amongst brothers.

When I was going through my degrees, I had an issue where I was not able to retain what I was trying to memorize. Recently out of the military, I had a few things creep up on me, and I became distraught. I did not want to waste my Mentors time, so

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<https://www.alltrails.com/trail/us/arizona/old-caves-crater-trail>

3) **Amberian Loop:** This is a 2.2-mile loop trail near Greer, Arizona. Generally considered a moderately challenging route, it takes an average of 1 h 11 min to complete.

<https://www.alltrails.com/trail/us/arizona/amberian-loop>

Stay Healthy

1) **Drink Water:** Phoenix is a desert. Drinking water is imperative to our survival, particularly during the summer. According to The Mayo Clinic a man should drink about 124 oz of water per day, and woman should drink 92 oz of water per day. Another way to think about it is that one should drink 0.5 – 1 oz water per pound of body weight. For example, a 200 pound man should drink 100 – 200 oz of water per day.

Q: How do I know if I'm drinking enough?

A: Your fluid intake is probably adequate if:

- You rarely feel thirsty
- Your urine is colorless or light yellow

2) **Wear sunscreen:** The sun's rays cause skin cancer. Although the best sunscreen is shade, make it a habit to always wear sunscreen. Many lotions include some SPF protection.

3) **Beware of Heat Stroke:** Heatstroke is a condition caused by your body overheating, usually as a result of prolonged exposure to or physical exertion in high temperatures. This most serious form of heat injury, heatstroke, can occur if your body temperature rises to 104 F (40 C) or higher. Many of the reported heat strokes during the summer are from "in-shape" males who are pushing themselves too hard in the sun. If you are going to work outside work in the early morning and drink plenty of water.

Heatstroke signs and symptoms include:

- High body temperature. A core body temperature of 104 F (40 C) or higher, obtained with a rectal thermometer, is the main sign of heatstroke.
- Altered mental state or behavior. Confusion, agitation, slurred speech, irritability, delirium, seizures and coma can all result from heatstroke.
- Alteration in sweating. In heatstroke brought on by hot weather, your skin will feel hot and dry to the touch. However, in heatstroke brought on by strenuous exercise,

your skin may feel dry or slightly moist.

- Nausea and vomiting. You may feel sick to your stomach or vomit.
- Flushed skin. Your skin may turn red as your body temperature increases.
- Rapid breathing. Your breathing may become rapid and shallow.
- Racing heart rate. Your pulse may significantly increase because heat stress places a tremendous burden on your heart to help cool your body.
- Headache. Your head may throb.

Enjoy all the Arizona's summers have to offer. Looking forward to seeing everyone again in the fall.

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Fraternally,

**Tim Scarpino
Worshipful Master**



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I refrained from calling him, or anyone for that matter, for help. On the other side of things though, not many brothers made themselves available for me to call upon either. After I admitted that I was having issues, to the point where I asked for more time for my degrees and, how I would describe it, stepped out of line letting brothers that had gone after me, pass me up, so that I could spend more time memorizing. During this time, I truly felt alone, and I did not know what to do.

It would be a good idea to encourage each candidate, to keep a log of each Masonic experience, from the day they sing their petition until their raising. Then, after they have been raised for a year, have them make a presentation to the lodge of their experiences. Let them be honest, and make sure they feel that they are part of the lodge, because we are all just brothers on the level, and take their "problems" to heart. If you can fix it make sure that they are looked into, and make corrections where you can. Remember, the worst thing that we as Masons can do is act upon the old adage, because this is the way we always have done it.

Fraternally,

**Shawn Hunter
Senior Warden**



From the South

How should Masons meet?

“There ain’t no good guys, there ain’t no bad guys; there’s only you and me and we just disagree.”



Summer is approaching! In Arizona, this is especially a time of intensity and strength in our Sun’s power and effect on us. It is also the time of refreshment and repose, as this time brings to our Lodge a break from usual Business and Ritual. As I look forward to this time, I consider the trek of the past year and lessons learned since. In my reverie, I am reminded of my many lessons in communication and forgiveness.

I recently heard the above quote from a song, being played at a restaurant. It made me think of a parable I heard a number of years ago that went something like this...

Once upon a time there were two brothers who lived on adjoining farms. John, the elder and William was the younger. They had spent nearly their entire lives working side by side. One day a small misunderstanding arose between them. Unfortunately, the conflict did not end there, nor did it remain a small trifle. What began as a little misunderstanding in communication, quickly grew into a schism of major differences and fault finding, ultimately the two exploded in an exchange of bitter words, leaving only cold silence between the two. This was the first serious rift in their 40 years of farming side-by-side, sharing machinery and trading labor and goods as needed - with ease and good will.

On a crisp autumn morning, shortly after the conflict had reached a crescendo there was a knock on John’s door. He opened it to find a man with a carpenter’s toolbox.

“I’m looking for a few days’ work,” he said. “Perhaps you would have a few small jobs here and there, I could help you with?”

“Yes,” said the older brother. “I do have a job for you. Look across that little creek there, do you see that farm, yonder? That’s my neighbor; in fact, it’s my younger brother! Last week there was a meadow between us. He recently took his bulldozer up to the river and drove it all the way down the middle of the meadow, now there is a creek between us. Well, he may have done this to spite me, but I’ll do him one better. See that pile of lumber by

the barn? I want you to build me a fence, an 8-foot-tall fence - so as I won't need to see his place or his face anymore.”

The carpenter said, “I think I understand the situation. Show me the nails and the post-hole digger and I’ll be able to do a job that pleases you.” The older brother needed to run some errands in town, so he helped the carpenter gather and prepare the necessary supplies and materials, and then he was off for the day.

The carpenter worked tirelessly all that day - measuring, sawing, and nailing. About sunset when John returned, the carpenter had just finished his job. “Well...What do you think, asked the laborer? The farmer's eyes flew opened wide and his jaw dropped. To his astonishment, there was no fence at all!

It was, in fact, a bridge...a bridge that stretched from one side of the creek to the other! A fine piece of work, handrails and all! And...William, his younger brother, was coming toward them...

The two brothers stood for a moment at each end of the bridge, and then both sampled the workmanship, carefully placing one foot in front of the other until they met in the middle, taking each other's hand. They turned to see the carpenter hoist his toolbox onto his shoulder.

John rushed to the carpenter with moisture in his eyes, “You are quite a fellow to have built this bridge after all I’ve said and done. This was not what I asked for, but it is just what we needed. I can only but thank you, good sir. Please, stay a few days. I’ve much more work for you.” “...and I would have your help on some projects as well,” chimed in William.

The carpenter, with a soft knowing smile replied, “I’d love to stay on but I have many more bridges to build and I believe that the two of you will have all the help you need, now.”

How should Masons meet?

Fraternally,

Michael D. Valecourt, PM

Junior Warden

George Washington Table Lodge



Presentation by Worshipful Brother Roger Biede III
Scottsdale Lodge #43
Thursday, September 29, 2022
Dinner 6:00 PM

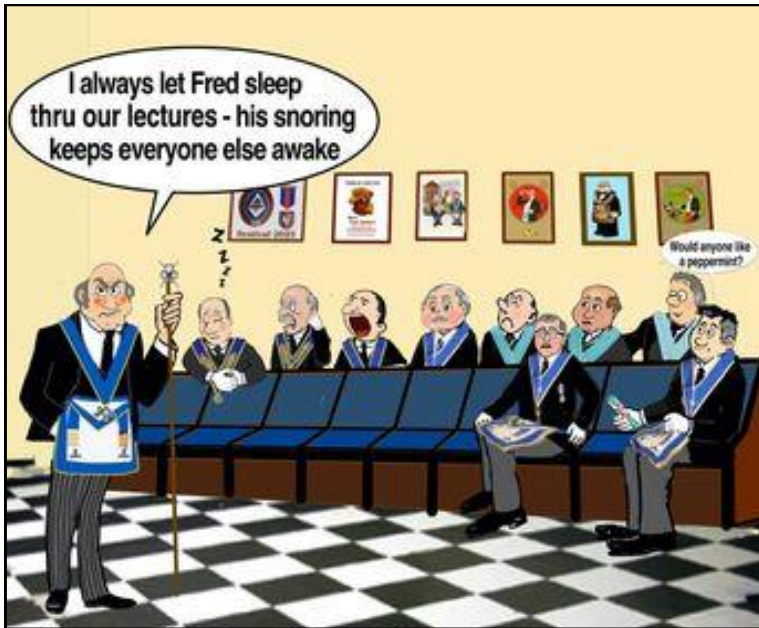
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- 2 Custom George Washington Cannons

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If paying by credit card, add \$6 so it's \$200.

*If you have a problem, call the Secretary

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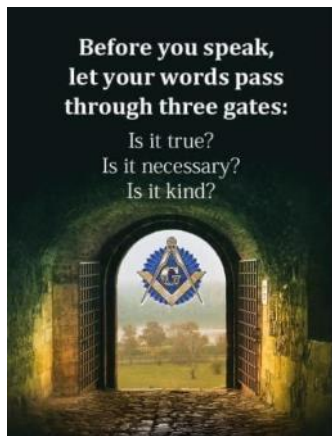
In an ongoing effort to keep in touch with the Masons of Arizona, the Social Media Committee of the Grand Lodge of Arizona has launched an online Social Media monthly newsletter to recap some of the items each month that are trending around the State.

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.

There is also a master list of masons accessible through "Grandview" on the website. You must log in to use it.

<http://www.azmasons.org>

Fraternally,
Tom Burke, Secretary

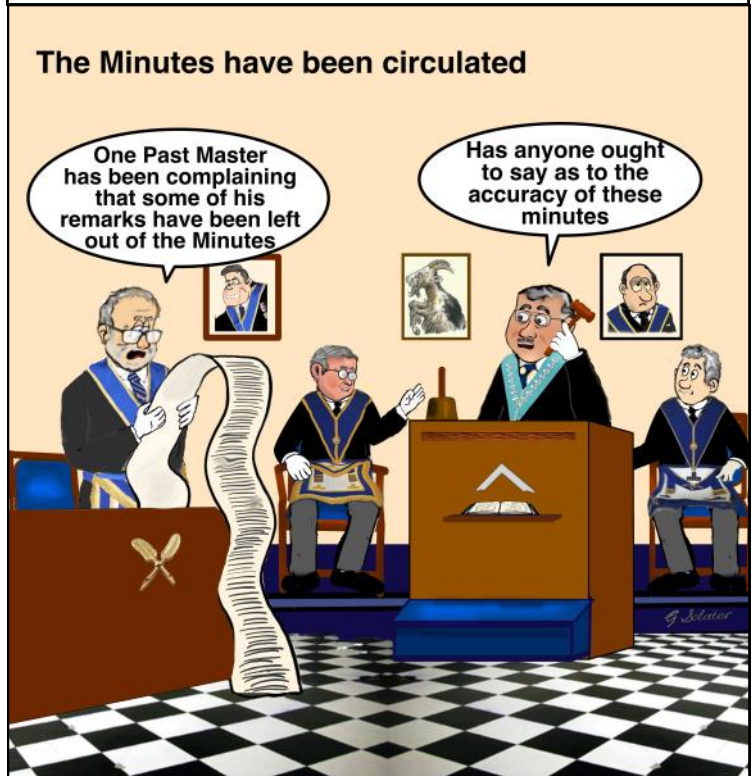


Just a Reminder when you come to Lodge. We have Bothers and Visitors that may have health issues, so use sanitizer and if you have health concerns wear a mask.

NEEDED...RETIRED BROTHERS

We need retired brothers who would be willing to serve on the Celestial Journey Team (Funeral Team). We don't have too many funerals throughout the year normally. Sometimes there is not a lot of notice (a few days) and right now most of our list is comprised of working brothers who can't respond that quickly. Usually, the funerals only take an hour or less. Please consider dedicating your efforts to your departed brothers by serving on the Celestial Journey Team. Email Brother Steve Clarke eispro@leaders-view.com with your email address and phone number. Call him with questions at 480-946-5390. Thank you!

During Stated Meetings we often see something like this happening



From the Aztlan Lodge Festive Board



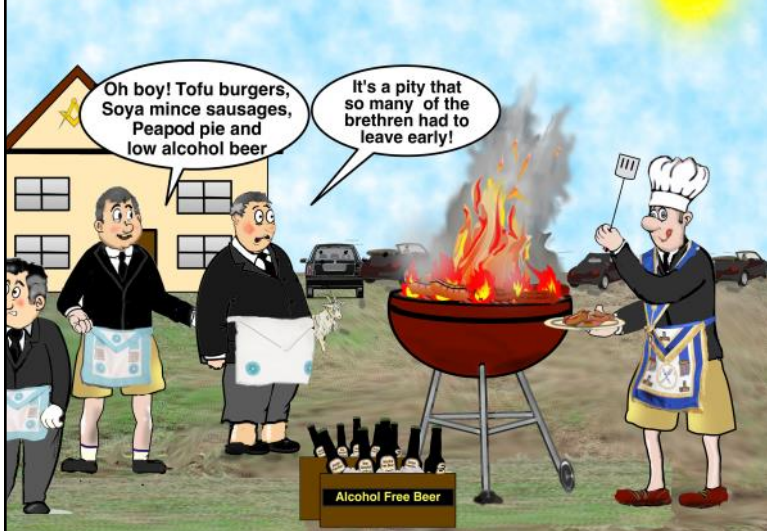
If your information on file needs correction, please spell it out for our Secretary. :-).

A Phonetic alphabet for Masons?



Summer break is here. Enjoy getting together with Brothers for "eventful" cooking outside

The Lodge of Health & Vigour host a BBQ.



The Lodge Barbeque



There is one thing more exasperating than a man who can cook and won't and that's a man who can't cook and will

SCOTTSDALE MASONIC LODGE #43

*June, July and August 2022 Masonic Anniversaries
Celebrating Another Year in the Light*

Ira Milton Bossert	6/30/1962	James Gordon Grant	6/28/2001	Daniel Paul Garcia	6/14/2018
Boyce Wayne Davis	6/28/1962	Riley Edward Bivins Jr	6/28/2001	Gary Robert Sanford	6/9/1997
Charles Henry Hess Jr	6/22/1972	John W. Longendyke Jr	6/27/2002	Matthew Levi C. Dunn	6/17/2021
Gary Kains	6/26/1981	Geoffrey Wallace Adams	6/27/2002	Brian Christopher Kovacs	6/17/2021
Paul Raymond Messinger	6/25/1956	James Richard Hartsock	6/17/2004	John Anthony Poth	7/22/1989
Roger Kent Morehead	6/20/1970	Perry G Contos	6/30/2005	Michael Gordon Milmine	7/30/1981
James W, Rowan PGM	6/9/1977	Philip Joseph Constantin	6/30/2005	Marquez P Pope	7/7/2005
Thomas Welke Schwartz	6/22/1967	Jacob Lazar	6/18/1986	Alan Scott Dye	7/26/1972
Donald Collins Smith	6/24/1971	Christopher Erich Bergeron	6/30/2005	Richard John Claridge	7/5/2018
Robert Kendall Smith	6/28/1969	Miguel Marrero PM	6/29/2006	James Marion Grissom	8/29/1960
Mark Jeffrey Spitzer	6/23/1983	Joseph Brandon Barksdale	6/18/2009	James Arland Osman Jr	8/21/1969
John William Weldy	6/28/1957	Michael Anton Luzaich	6/16/2011	Joseph Andrew Decker	8/30/2007
Herman Carl Haueisen	6/27/1985	Emil Joseph Kashouh	6/20/2000	Robert Francis Gruler Jr	8/2/2012
Henry Ritchie Yorston PM	6/11/1992	Timothy James Coffey	6/14/2012	Eric Charles Marble	8/9/2012
Clarence Michael Hutto	6/25/1992	Thomas A. LaFountain Jr	6/18/2011	William Roscoe Bryant Jr	8/3/2013
Wayne Paul Marsh	6/29/1995	Fredrick M. Carrington	6/19/2014	Chanchhaya Tan	8/3/2013
Bryan Pisarski	6/27/1996	Daniel Chester Goldfarb	6/26/2014	Caleb Michael Lash	8/19/2021
Richard Keith Dulyea PM	6/25/1998	David H. Shaff	6/18/2015		
Gary Vaughn LeBlanc	6/18/2009	Jeffrey Lynn Arnett	6/16/2016		
Manuel James Birch	6/15/1985	Anthony Michael Cuciti	6/16/2016		
James Garbett Miller Jr	6/29/2000	Jeremy Andrew Corgan	6/15/2017		
Josue Cuevas PM	6/28/2001	Gregory Thomas Haus	6/14/2018		

Scottsdale #43 Masonic Lodge Building

EVENT PLANNING? - WE WELCOME RENTALS

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GETTING TO KNOW

AND HELPING OUR BROTHERS

As Master Masons we have a life-long obligation to help our Brothers. It is something we all want to do and is part of what makes Freemasonry the greatest fraternity in the world. We all have an important purpose and that is to help make “good men better.” Each of us possesses certain “gifts” we can give to our Brothers. Perhaps it is the gift of tolerance, or patience, or knowledge. Our lives are filled with experiences that should be shared with our Brothers.

Our newer Brothers who just entered our fraternity in the past few years need our “gifts.” Sitting next to a new Brother at dinner and asking a few questions opens the door for your gift of knowledge. Questions can be as simple as, “What are you most proud of in your life?” or “What attracted you most to join Masonry?” Perhaps you ask, “What do you do for a living? What do you like most about it?” Each time we attend a Lodge meeting we have the opportunity to share. The knowledge and wisdom we possess may help one of our Brothers become a better man.

Another important thing we can do is wear a name badge. The Lodge has adhesive name tags that work fine. Many of us have trouble remembering names (among other things) and this is one way to help us all out. For our pre-petitioning guest and petitioning potential Brothers, it’s important that we know each other. How many times have you voted to bring a Brother into the fraternity and really didn’t know anything about him? Please wear a name tag at each meeting and if there are none laying out, ask for one!

We have about 400 members in our Lodge. Please Brothers, give your best effort to attend. Share the many gifts you have with the rest of us! Allow us to know you as a Brother. Let’s give our gifts to each other at each meeting. We are men of integrity and brotherly love. See you at the next Lodge meeting.

CELESTIAL JOURNEY TEAM

The roll of the workmen has been called, and a Master Masons has not answered to his name. He left that mortal part for which he no longer has use.

Brother Edwin Springston Earl

Born 3/19/1936
 Initiated 5/24/1984
 Passed 2/28/1985
 Raised 3/28/1985
 Died 5/5/2022



His labors here have taught him to divest his heart and conscience of the vices and superfluities of life, thereby fitting his mind as a living stone for that spiritual building – that house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Strengthened in his labors here by faith in the Supreme Being, and confident of expectation of immortality, he has sought admission to the Celestial Lodge above.



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The Birthday Party



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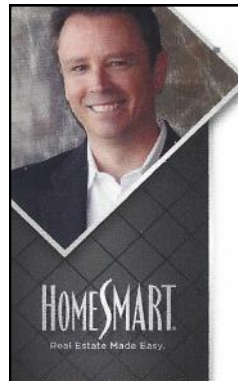
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Thursday 5PM-7PM

**Sunday 6:30-9AM,
10:45-12 Noon**

The first Scottish Rite Reunion at the new building more than 20 Brothers were welcomed as new 32nd Degree Mason. Brother Fred LaBell “Capped” Brother David Watson and his son Brother Steven LaBell



SCOTTSDALE MASONIC LODGE #43

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The Brother's Outreach Team has raises funds for our brothers who don't drive after dark or don't drive at all so they can come to Lodge to enjoy the fellowship. ***If you would like to attend Lodge***, contact the secretary Tom Burke @ 203-559-9504 to arrange for a ride to and from at no cost to you (Valley area only).

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Jonathan Edward D'Emilio	Term Expires: 2025
Eric Marble	Term Expires:2024
Stan Sparrow	Term Expires:2024
Brandon Valentine	Term Expires:2023
Wil Wilkins	Term Expires:2023

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.

For further information call (480) 946-1072
or visit www.scottsdalelodge43.com.

**** June Calendar of Events ****

ENJOY THE SUMMER

WATCH for the current events in the weekly updates from the WM and Secretary, via Email.

There is also the Tuesday Morning Coffee and Donuts social gathering.