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GREETINGS FROM THE EAST



We have some very exciting things on the horizon at the Lodge. First is the entire month of March. March will be filled with some really amazing activities. Naturally we will have all three degrees, but two of these degrees will be extremely exciting. On March 13th we will have the Annual Return of the Arizona Military Degree Team. They will as usual confer a 2nd degree upon a worthy candidate.

On the following Saturday, March 15th we will have the 5th Annual Shoot Outing. The Shoot Outing is one of my personal favorite events. It takes place at the world renowned Ben Avery's Shooting Facility in Care Free (Just up the Black Canyon Freeway, it really isn't that far). We gather at the main pistol range at 8:00 AM in order to get tables close to each other we need to all get there at this time of the morning. We shoot pistols and rifles until Noon, when we all take a break and have a cook out. This is a pot luck meal, the lodge will provide the hot dogs and hamburgers but we need you all to pitch in and bring some good old fashioned picnic food to share. Potato salad, chips, dip, soda, you get the idea. After lunch we will either return to the shooting range for more target practice or some will leave and others will go over to the trap range. We will have a \$5 buy in on a best poker shoot. The pot will be determined by the number of guys and gals who decide to play. Everyone shoots the same gun, this year it will be a .38. This event is open to EVERYONE, friends, family, children, and your next door neighbor if you want.

On March 20th the Master and the Senior Warden will be Guest Chef's for the 2nd Annual Dennis Spruce Memorial St. Patrick's Day Dinner. We will be serving the world famous Mrs. Madden's Secret Recipe for Corned Beef and Cabbage. This will be a Celtic inspired night and Kilts will not only be appreciated but preferred. So don your favorite green shirt and that big Kiss Me I'm Irish Button and join us for fun and a little frivolity. We will also be conferring 1st degrees that evening.

I want to close with a word of thanks to all the family members

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GREETINGS FROM THE WEST



Brothers it amazes me at how busy Scottsdale Masonic Lodge 43 is, we have had our Widows Night, Stated Meeting, Degrees, Motorcycle Ride. And not to mention all the youth groups.

The next Ride is scheduled for March 1st meet at the Lodge parking lot 9:00 am KSU (Kick Stands Up) by 9:30.

The Scottsdale Masonic Lodge Riding Group met February 1st there where 9 of us that met and rode out to have breakfast at Buckboards in Superior. After that and a stop for gas (since I only get about 100 miles per tank of gas). we headed south to Winkelman with another stop for gas, then headed North up to Globe and on the way the temperature dropped from the low 70's down to the 50's it got COLD. We stopped for the last time in Globe yet for another gas stop and to warm up. My motorcycle hasn't met a gas station it wants to pass. It was a great ride with brotherly love.

The Widows Night was January 30th and W. Bob Beffel our Junior Warden wrote a play "Murder in the Orange Groves" and if you missed it I am sorry. The play was set in the early 1900's in Scottsdale and depicted the history of the 1st homicide recorded in the fledgling town. And the first case of "Going Postal".

I attended the Winter Formal for the youth groups Jobs Daughter, Rainbow Girls and DeMolay on February 1st and those kids can really party. They where at El Zaribah Shrine and it went into the night. There was a lot of dancing.

We have a new committee for Membership and this is being chaired by Bro Stephen Clark (480) 946-5390. He is looking for people to sit on this valuable committee. So please assist him with the ideas to grow and support our membership.

I attended our Trustee meeting and as usual there is always much work to be done. I encourage everyone to sit in on one of these meetings it helps you to see how the lodge works with all the "Behind the Scenes" business.

Brothers we are working on many things and one is our Masonic Education I attended the last one with WB Jim Watson & W Bob

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and widows who came out for our 1st dinner theater experience we have ever performed at Scottsdale Lodge. It was an absolute joy to see a room filled with the faces of our dear family and friends. I hope you enjoyed watching us make fools of ourselves as much as we enjoyed performing for you all. Many kudos to WB Bob Beffel for writing a very clever and entertaining rendition of the real life murder mystery which marked the historic event of the first murder ever committed in Scottsdale.

Fraternally,
Scott Tracy
Worshipful Master



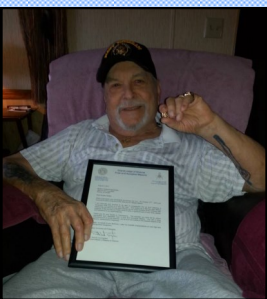
Tyler's Door

MODERATION ADAPTABILITY FLEXIBILITY

Ben Franklin advised moderation in all things. It has been said that moderation is the center where all philosophies meet. Again, all fixed patterns are incapable of adaptability; the truth is outside of all fixed patterns. These are some classic quotes; but looking closer, more meanings become apparent.

Moderation means to many, lack of excess. True, but consider that it also means to break the bond of inflexibility; one way or the highway so to speak. In one's mind, consider what might improve an idea or action, unlock the chains of ironclad precedent, solve the unsolvable. Adapt that which may be new and good, and necessary for the moment. It may very well not be a permanent change, but a problem solver this minute...or it may be the seed of evolvement.

Fraternally,
Dave Woodland PM, PGC
Tyler



WM Scott Tracy and SD Allen Nichols presented 50 year plus Certificates to: Bro. Herbert Frank Brittan on his 55 years, right Bro Norman Eugene Outcalt on his 50 years and he is also Scottsdale's Oldest living member at 91 with WM Scott Tracy

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Beffel where we talked about the symbolism of the Cable Tow. And such a little topic got very heated in discussion. Please come to the next one it is very informative and sparks some deep thoughts.

Remember Brothers that after Lodge each night to come down to the British Open Pub for Low Twelve.

I would like to close with Brotherly Love, remember that we are all on the Level and should be kind to our brothers. If we treat each other as we wish to be treated then we can not materially err..

Fraternally yours,
Merle Anderson
Senior Warden



Greetings From the South

Expanding Horizons



During the yearly planning, the Worshipful Master commented that he wanted to do something different for Widow's Night this year. While the "Rose on the Altar" play has a beautiful message, performing it year in and year out can become too routine and the experience begins to lose its luster. I mentioned the Shrine did a murder mystery fund raiser where they purchased a package from a company, and the play was called "Murder at Deadwood Saloon". The Worshipful Master was excited and wanted to do that.

I explained that the topic might not be as appropriate here as it was in the Shrine, plus at the Shrine we had many more people to draw from to perform it, including spouses. After having helped put on the Shrine event, I felt we could adopt the same 3 Act framework and apply it to a different story line.

Even though I had never written a story or play before in my life, I have watched many TV shows like Bones, Person of Interest, Almost Human and can usually predict how it plays out. I incorporated the elements allowing enough hints to be dropped that if you pay attention you will be able to figure it out, I provided alternative possibilities by developing multiple story lines but I made sure that it would not be so obvious, there was no mystery involved.

The plan really came together when I decided to incorporate historical facts from the area. People that have grown up here came up to me in the middle and were familiar with the names (even though they were changed slightly) and were interested to see where I'd be taking it.

A vote was taken directly after the murders to see who did it. Another vote was done after the Sheriff questioned the townspeople, looking for Motive, Opportunity and Means. Only 2 people had the right person as we broke for dinner but by the end, there was a tie in the vote and one of the people in the tie was the guilty party. At the very end, I informed people of the historical significance of many of the elements of the play so in addition to providing entertainment, the audience got a history lesson.

The cast enjoyed putting it on, partly because even they were not told who "done it" and there were a few inside jokes worked into the play that were intended for lodge members. The audience made many comments about how much they enjoyed the freshness and light-hearted feel to the play. All in all, a wonderful evening.

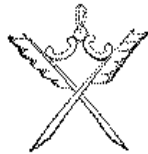
Fraternally,
Bob Beffel
Junior Warden

From the Secretary's Desk

Brethren,

This is the time of year for some spring cleaning! In order to keep all membership information up to date in the lodge's database, please e-mail me at Secretary@Scottsdalelodge43.com of any phone number, address, and e-mail changes that you have had. I thank you all in advance to helping keep the information up to date and also to help make the work flow just a little easier.

Fraternally,
James Xie – PM 2013
Secretary



DeMolay.... Did you know?



...the following events all have something in common.

- Blaise Pascal works out the first 23 propositions of Euclid.
- William Johnson earns the Medal of Honor
- Bobby Fischer becomes an International Chess Grandmaster
- Louis Braille devises a system allowing the visually impaired to read.
- Georges Bizet writes his Symphony in C.
- Pele scores 6 goals in the World Cup.
- Steve Jobs begins collaborating with Steve Wozniak.

What do all these events have in common? The people involved were all between the ages of 12 and 21 when these events occurred – precisely the age of the DeMolays in your local chapter.

There is great potential in every youth, but great achievements don't happen without friends, supporters and advisors. Think you can facilitate greatness? Contact us about being a DeMolay advisor or just come to a DeMolay event and see what we're up to.

Contact us at scottsdalemolay@gmail.com or follow us on Facebook. You can also visit www.demolay.org

From the Senior Deacon

Today was a field trip, just like in school we load up into the car and speed away to our destination. In this particular case it was to present a 50 year masonic pin to a brother. Sometimes with our busy lives we forget to stop and take a little field trip now and then. This was a huge honor that we could bestow on this brother that he has given 5 decades of service. After speaking to him, we learned that OC Wilson himself was the master that raised him and brought him into the fraternity and that also he is the oldest member we have at Scottsdale at a young 91. I actually guessed him more to be in his early 70's at most. We talked about what Scottsdale 43 was like in the 50's. Before I knew it, an hour had passed and it was time for our trip to come to a close. I urge other brothers to take little masonic trips of their own. Take some time out of the lodge to do some good masonic work. This just made my day and I am sure his too. There are 33 other brothers that need to be given their 50, 55 or 60 year pins. Let's make a difference in someone's lives. It actually might just have the biggest impact on your own.

Allen Nichols
Senior Deacon

Does anyone know what a MINO is?

MINO is **M**ason **i**n **n**ame **o**nly. Why did you become a Mason? Masonry is Ceremonial, Spiritual and Practical. So how are we as far as our Masonic Health?

Ceremonially, how does it feel to do good ritual work? How does it look to the candidate?

How does it make the organization look? What does that do for current members?

Spiritually, do we promote personal reflection and introspection? Do we instill greater light into one's faith? Do we develop brotherhood and connection with our members? Do we raise our consciences to seek greater personal development?

Practically, this is where we claim to look out for our community, take care of widows and orphans, help the disadvantaged and give service to those in need; especially a brother.

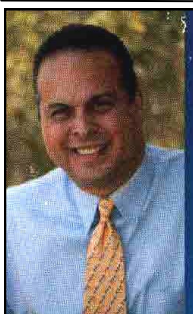
We are blessed with new blood looking to us to show them the way. Every week a new face comes asking. These are men who want to make a difference, but aren't sure how to do it or where to go to pursue that interest. They come to us looking for that opportunity to do good things.

Who wants to be part of an organization that talks about doing great things but doesn't do anything great?

So I ask are there activities you would like to see this lodge take up?

I ask for your thoughts on this. You may reply to me at brandonjvalentine@gmail.com. But be warned that you may nominate yourself to a leadership position.

Brandon Valentine
Junior Steward





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*2nd Annual Dennis Sprouse Memorial
Mrs. Maddens St. Patrick's Day Dinner
of Corned Beef & Cabbage!*

Date: 03/20/14 Thursday Night

Time: 6:00 PM—Dinner

Brothers,

The Worshipful Master invites you to attend the 2nd Annual Mrs. Maddens Corned Beef & Cabbage St. Patrick's Day Dinner. We will be celebrating a tradition started by WB Dennis Sprouse.

We will be initiating on the 1st Degree at 7:00 PM for Lodge.

This is a Kilt Night. So where your finest Celtic Attire...

Celtic Appreciation Night

Contact the Secretary for details



Chaplain's, Thought

All too often we as masons get caught up in the day to day running of the lodge, meeting and investigating new candidates and so on. What is important to remember though is that true masonic understanding can only come from self study and reflection. The secrets of our brotherhood can't be found by just watching ritual and assuming that is all there is to it. I ask that each of you escalate your knowledge this month in some way. It doesn't have to be hard or time consuming either and a very simple and practical exercise would be to break down one of the degrees and learn the symbolism and greater meaning that it is trying to convey. Find out which parts of the Bible our prayers are from and understand the context they were written in. What is it that our founders wanted us to learn and apply? Like most things in life you can't understand the larger concepts until we understand the basic ones.

**Michael Dryden,
Chaplin**



5th Annual Shoot Outing!

Date: 03/15/14 Saturday

Time: 8:00 AM

**Location: Ben Avery's Shooting
Range—Main Pistol Range**



That's right Brothers, it is that time again for our Annual Shoot Outing. This will take place at Ben Avery's. We will have a Pot Luck Cook out and a day full of Shooting.

See the Worshipful Master for details.

Contact: 602-697-1132

Correction: The last issue incorrectly showed Tom Coffee as the author of the full page Library article. It should have credited Bro Tim Coffey. We apologize for the error. Editor



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26TH ANNUAL MILITARY DEGREE NIGHT

Scottsdale Lodge #43 is pleased to announce that we be hosting the **Arizona Military Degree Team** for one of the most stunning degrees in Arizona Masonry. The Degree Team will be performing the 2nd Degree of Masonry for a Worthy Candidate, all Fellowcraft and Master Masons are welcome to attend.



Date: 13 March, 2014
Time: 18:00 Hrs. Dinner
19:00 Hrs. Lodge



FOR DETAILS CALL THE SECRETARY

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MASONIC EDUCATION

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 500 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.



Submitted by Bro. Stephen Clarke



Some Bikers spreading the Light of Masonry



Congratulations to our
Newly Initiated
Entered Apprentice Masons
On February 13, 2014

Front Row: Fred Carrington, Daniel Goldfarb, Nantos Sodano Back Row; Taylor McMullen & Kenneth Von Hopf




2014 Widows Night attendees and "The Not ready for Prime Time" actors

SCOTTSDALE MASONIC LODGE #43 F. & A.M.

March Masonic Anniversaries Celebrating Another Year in the Light

ROGER DAWSON	3/27/2007	TRINI C GARCIA	3/28/1974	TERRY L. KELLY	3/17/1992
DR. WILLIAM L. BARAN APM	3/10/1976	ROBERT B. RYE	3/24/2005	MICHAEL CONRAD PASCOE	3/28/2002
DONALD MAXWELL	3/29/1973	SAMUEL HERMANBROOKS	3/18/1971	VINCENT PAUL OUTCALT	3/27/1997
GLENN L. BEZUYEN	3/29/2001	F. ANTHONY CARABALLO	3/29/2007	STEVEN ERICSQUIRES	3/20/1997
ROBERT M. HAYNES APM	3/31/1993	Mathew Donald BOWLING	3/13/2008	KARL V. PAINTER	3/25/1971
JACKSON H. MILLIGAN	3/26/1970	JAMES W. MEREDITH	3/29/2007	MICHAEL PAUL HALEY	3/8/2012
GEORGE EDGAR JOHNSON	3/29/1956	DAVID A. CHERRILL MD	3/21/1991	JAMES ARLAN DOSMAN III	3/11/2004
SCOTT CHARLES SQUIRES	3/20/1997	THOMAS W. CARROLL	3/24/1983		
JAMES E. HEMMER SR.	3/29/1975	WILLIAM EDWARD KEIM	3/11/1950		
SEBASTIAN N. HUDEMANN	3/14/2013	STANLEY JOSEPH SPARROW	3/14/2013		
MELVYN L. ARTHUR	3/22/1956	ROBERT G. HOPS	3/26/1981		
TERRY L. ZEIGER	3/25/1976	WILLIAM G. FOSTER	3/7/1973		
CARL DIETRICH	3/19/1981	FRANK P. MENDOLA	3/24/2005		
GEORGE R. EASTER	3/26/1964	ROBERT E. SIEGLING PM	3/31/1988		
JASON S. DUEY	3/24/2005	JOHN ROBERT GEYER	3/11/2010		
L. ROGER ESPELAND	3/24/2001	Anthony JOHN BLUNDA	3/11/2010		
ROBERT F. DAVIS JR. APM	3/21/1966	AUBREY JAY MUNDY	3/30/1972		

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March 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Philadelphia Church of God F.R.C.C.
2  DeMolay	3  Jobbies	4 York Rite	5 Trustees Meeting	6 Stated Meeting Dinner 6PM	7	8 Philadelphia Church of God F.R.C.C.
9	10  Eastern Star	11	12	13 Military Degree	14	15 Philadelphia Church of God F.R.C.C.
16  DeMolay	17  Jobbies	18 Round table discussion 7PM York Rite	19	20 St. Patrick's Dinner CB & Cabbage	21	22 Philadelphia Church of God F.R.C.C.
23	24	25	26	27 1st Degree	28	29 Philadelphia Church of God F.R.C.C.
30	31					

NOTE: All appendant bodies and the church meetings repeat every month as above

UPCOMING LODGE SPECIAL EVENTS

March 13..... Military Degree Night

March 15..... Shooting Day at Ben Avery Range

March 20..... St. Patrick's Day with Mrs. Madden's Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner

March 28 –30 Grand Lodge Retreat

April 5 & 6 Officer Retreat — Camping Trip

May 8th Appendant Body Night

May 15th Town Hall with the Grand Master

All events, and times are subject to change. If you use Email and are not receiving weekly updates from the Secretary, notify him via Email and he will check and make sure you are added to the Email list.