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## GREETINGS FROM THE EAST

As we rapidly approach the end of the year we are faced with the Holidays and many will be celebrating with their families. Remember the lodge has something going on almost every Thursday. Please check the Calendar on the website [www.ScottsdaleLodge43.com](http://www.ScottsdaleLodge43.com) to view the events.



With elections looming it looks like proficiency has been completed and the eligible officers have made the necessary proficiency.

I want to thank everyone that participated in the funerals for Worshipful Brother Joel Adams and Brother Allen Carter. The families greatly appreciate that we support our departed brothers with our Masonic Services. The Funeral Committee of WB Fred Moore needs help when we are called upon. Please contact WB Fred Moore at (602) 524-7222 or [Fred7222@msn.com](mailto:Fred7222@msn.com).

As WB Bob Beffel is preparing his calendar for 2016, there is need of brothers to sit on committees. He has a very ambitious plan for the lodge and for the events and operations of the lodge please step up to support him to help his year be a successful year.

We have had some fun with Oriental Lodge and a banner of theirs that was delivered to our lodge that they lost. It was much fun making them visit Scottsdale to retrieve their banner. Worshipful Master of Oriental made a great speech of his warriors crossing the River Salt and tried to bring us battle but by our strong numbers he fled with his ragtag of warriors back over the River Salt with his banner.

It has been brought to me from many of our new Masons and or Friend To Friend people are requesting that our brothers at dinner start leaving openings at the dinner tables for them to have places to sit and get to know each other. This is one of the most vital parts of our lodge to get acquainted with one another. And I was at a funeral and one of our members mentioned that he was not familiar

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## GREETINGS FROM THE WEST

October is past and November is upon us and for the officers, it is when we stretch our legs and show what we can do in the chair we are potentially about to inherit. It is also a time when the Pedestal Officers are working on proving their proficiency to the DDGM. That involves Opening, Obligating and Closing on 1 degree for Junior Warden, 2 degrees for Senior Warden and all 3 degrees for the Master plus the Master must be proficient in giving one of the lectures as well.



At the September Stated Meeting, I gave a talk on being more fiscally responsible for the future of the Lodge. We have been trying to cut costs everywhere we can so we would not have to raise dues but in the process, we started to eliminate programs that make us want to come to Lodge. In addition, we have not been setting aside money to replace worn out or broken capital assets like the stove, refrigerators, freezers, water heater, air conditioning unit, a new roof, parking lot. When we needed to replace these items, we have done a quick fund raiser or taken out a loan.

Even though we just got a new air conditioner, we need to be setting money aside to replace it when its expected life is over. The same is true for the other assets that in some cases are already beyond their expected life. When each lodge had to get their own insurance this past year, some lodges were not able to because they have not been keeping up their buildings.

During this presentation, I also listed a number of programs that I would like to begin or reinstitute. But I can not do this alone so I will be establishing committees to get these off the ground and need leaders to make them happen. During the summer, the Past Masters got together with the elected officers and told us about successful programs they had in their years. I want to tap into that knowledge and ask them to participate in getting these programs going or be the leaders. New Masons should take this opportunity to get on these committees and learn from this wealth of knowledge we have in the Lodge. In December, we will have our usual action planning meeting to identify which programs we are taking on, who is leading them and what they entail. I have gotten feedback that I am trying to do too many programs but we will be engaging in some that show interest and define others so they can be rollout in later years. I believe these programs will bring us closer together and show the community what Masons can do.

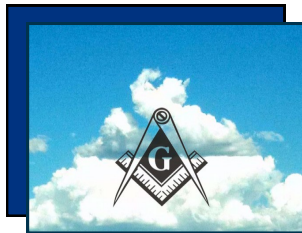
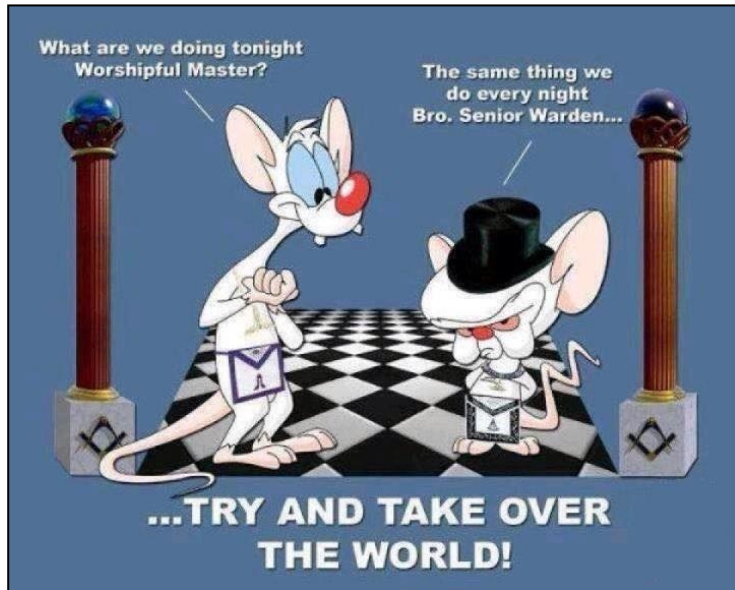
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with any of our new Brothers. It is important that our New get to know our Seasoned Brothers.

**Fraternally,  
Merle Anderson  
Worshipful Master**



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To give you a taste - some of the programs I want to get going include: Friday night movie at the Lodge, Date nights, Dinner for 8, York Rite Marked Master, Scottish Rite Play at Widows Night, return of Table Lodge on St Patrick's Day,

Visits from well known Masons in History and sponsoring a Little League team...

**Fraternally,  
Bob Beffel  
Senior Warden**



## Jobs Daughters, Bethel 21

Hello everyone, Bethel 21 is doing some fun things this month! Last Friday, we spent the night bowling for Megan Alexanders Marshal project. It was very fun. On Saturday, October 17th we are having a prospect event. We will be going to see the movie Pan and eat lunch at California Pizza Kitchen. If anyone has a daughter, niece, granddaughter or friend who is interested in Jobies, this is the time to bring them! Contact me or Mrs. Nichols for details. In about two weeks, Tuesday, October 27th, we are having our big bethel fundraiser, a spaghetti dinner! Please come out to Scottsdale Lodge #43 for good food and fun times to support your Masonic Youth. It is \$7 for adults and \$5 for children. Please come support Bethel 21! Our meetings are the first and third Monday of every month. Hopefully we will see you all soon!

**Peyton Clevenger, HQ Bethel 21**

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## ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

September 10th we had a salad luncheon/fashion show. It was attended by many members of several different chapters, and 3 members of Bethel 21 Job's Daughters that meets here at Scottsdale Lodge. All that attended had a good time. At our meeting on October 26th, we will be having a Craft Sale before and after the meeting. There will be items to buy for Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. It will start at approximately 6:30 PM. Come see what you can find that you need or want. Also, we are presently selling Cookie Dough. If you are interested in purchasing any for the holidays, contact Jean Yunker at 480-945-4179.

**Sheila Kelley  
Worthy Matron**





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## Words From the South

Greetings Brethren,

First of all, let me wish each and every one of you a happy and joyous Thanksgiving.

As a Lodge we have much to be thankful for and as Masons we must take the time to thank those around us for all that we have been blessed with.

Our Lodge will continue to grow and the more activities we have going, the more people we need to run them.

We would love to have you! Remember, the proof of Freemasonry is in our deeds and it is in our deeds that Freemasonry is made known to non-Masons.

The only way that the Craft can be judged is by its product.

The prestige of Freemasonry lies squarely on the shoulders of each of us.

I encourage each and every Brother not to become complacent with the success our Lodge has had but to recommit ourselves to improve and build upon the foundation that has been laid.

For those Brothers that have not been active in the Lodge as of late, I encourage you to make an effort to reconnect and experience the fellowship and brotherly love that you've been missing.

For November we are gearing up for our Annual Lodge family picnic of the year on Sunday November 8th..

We will need everyone's participation to insure a successful Annual picnic for are for are Masonic family.

The picnic will be held at the Railroad park in Scottsdale.

This event is open to all family members and friends so make sure to invite them to come out and have a great time at the picnic

In Closing, I would like to extend my sincere and heartfelt THANKS for all of your hard work in supporting the Lodge and making it a pleasure for me to serve as your Junior Warden. I look forward to seeing you all at the Annual Lodge family Picnic this November. As always, I will be open to suggestions for meals and will greatly appreciate any kitchen help that you might be able to offer. Whether it is helping with the preparation, serving the Brothers, clean-up or even if you would like to be a "Guest Chef".

**"To talk well and eloquently is a very great art, but that an equally great one is to know the right moment to stop."**

*Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart*

No matter how difficult your day may seem... "SMILE! Life is a good thing"

**By the Plumb**  
**James Callahan**  
**Junior Warden**



## From the Secretary's Desk

Brethren,

I would like to thank you all very much for all of your prompt payment of your 2015 dues to the lodge! If you have not had the chance to pay your dues yet, please do so by either sending a check to the lodge for \$128 or you may call the lodge to pay via credit card.

Also, as a reminder, please update the lodge by calling me or e-mailing me at [secretary@scottsdalelodge43.com](mailto:secretary@scottsdalelodge43.com) of your new address or phone number. It is crucial to have your updated information for notices to be sent to you from the lodge.

**Fraternally,**  
**James Xie – PM 2013**  
**Secretary**

## Senior Deacon

Greetings Brethren,

Allow me to begin with a hardy "thank you" for the warm welcome you have given me upon my return to the Officer Line. I knew I missed you and all my Brothers, but did not realize the extent to which that was true.

Looking to the future and seeing the increased responsibilities of an officer and of the position that I aspire to hold next year can be a bit daunting. The tasks that I am expected to perform, almost on a daily basis, seem to be a little more than I had bargained for. But, there is one thing that motivates me to persevere, one thing that stops me from turning tail and running in the other direction, one thing that reassures me that my efforts are not on vain and that any time given to the Lodge is time well spent, one thing that abruptly trumps any argument to the contrary, and that one thing my Brother, is you. For it is you that gives me the support and encouragement after the little failures that inevitably take place. It is you that appreciate and congratulate me on the little successes that do on occasion take place by design or chance, and it is you I can trust to stick with me though the life long process of learning how to be a good man, a good officer, and a good Mason.

In short, it is knowing that I have your confidence and support that allowed me to take this position in your officer line and I promise to repay your confidence tenfold with my dedication to ritual and constant care of my duties to the Lodge as an officer and my duties to you as a Brother.

**Fraternally,**  
**Curt Hills**  
**Senior Deacon**



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## From the Editors Desk

After helping with the Summer projects, I offer the following observation.

Q. How many Masons does it take to change a light bulb?  
A. After much research this tricky question can now be answered. It takes 20, as follows:

- 2 to complain that the light doesn't work.
- 1 to pass the problem to either Facilities Committee, the Trustee Committee or the Master of the Lodge.
- 3 to do a study on light in the Lodge.
- 2 to check out the types of lights the Knights of Columbus use.
- 3 to argue about it.
- 5 to plan a fund-raising dinner to raise money for the bulb.
- 2 to complain that "that's not the way we did it before."
- 1 to borrow a ladder, donate the bulb and install it.
- 1 to order the brass memorial plate and have it inscribed.

**Bro. Fred LaBell 32°**  
**Trestleboard Editor**



## Amaranth

The members of Kinishba Court want to say a big "Thank you!" to the Brethren of Scottsdale Lodge for their generosity. Thank you to members who came out to bowl at our "Bowl-Down Diabetes" fundraiser, and also to those who generously donated to the 50/50 raffle we had at the dinner in October. Arizona Amaranth is very close to cumulatively giving \$500,000 to the Amaranth Diabetes Foundation, and we at Kinishba would love to be able to do that this year when our own Jeannie Yunker is Grand Royal Matron.

We truly thank the lodge for their wonderful support this year and look forward to continuing and strengthening the fraternal bonds of friendship in the next year

**Fondly and Fraternally,**  
**Honored Lady Bizzy Herbolzheimer**  
**President of the Amaranth Diabetes Foundation**



## From the Chaplain

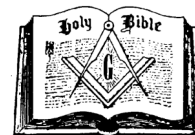
Greetings Brethren,

I hope that the summer break has been refreshing for you all. Now that we are coming into the fall months, the summer projects roll to a steady completion, and the Lodge opens once again for the dispatch of business; let us remember that we all serve a purpose.

Perhaps in the Lodge during our meetings that purpose is to help open the Lodge ceremonially or maybe to cast a ballot, or to organize an event. Outside of the Lodge however we also serve a purpose. Maybe that purpose is to be father, husband, etc. Or to serve as an effective member of the community. Maybe your purpose is to help someone buy a home, or to simply help people get to and from work on time.

Whatever the purpose you might serve is, just remember that we all serve one. We were given life for a reason. Keep in your minds that purpose, no matter how big or small, is always important. It is this idea, purpose, that is one of the many equalizers that prove that all men are on the same level.

**Fraternally,**  
**Brother Matthew Hartzell**  
**Chaplain**

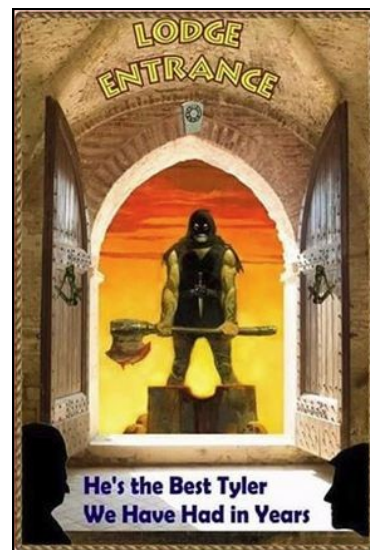


## Masonic Education

### RELAXED PERFECTION

Most of us grow and mature with ideas and ideals. The difference between them is the amount of good fortune and ambition we can gather. Before ideals can be imagined, the ways to get there are still ideas. Achievement is an ideal of it's own, and perfection in the pursuit is the goal. Let's take a look at how ideal perfection may be. We assume perfection in all forms really exists, and nothing can be more perfect than perfection. We visualize the ultimate good health and long life, happiness in all things, and buckets of gold that show up at your doorstep. Less grandiose may be the perfect person in all things, have the perfect family, job, and make everything resolved in your favor. Nobody can deny perfection as the ultimate goal, and we should all be rewarded if we strive hard enough. As practical necessity demands, reality is our friend. Tone things down a bit, and it dawns on you that you do not have to be the best in the world, but your personal perfection in the best you can be by doing the best you can. One hundred percent in all things could be a good thing, ideas and ideals to get there would not. Why don't we embrace Relaxed Perfection?...Nobody's perfect.

**Submitted by:**  
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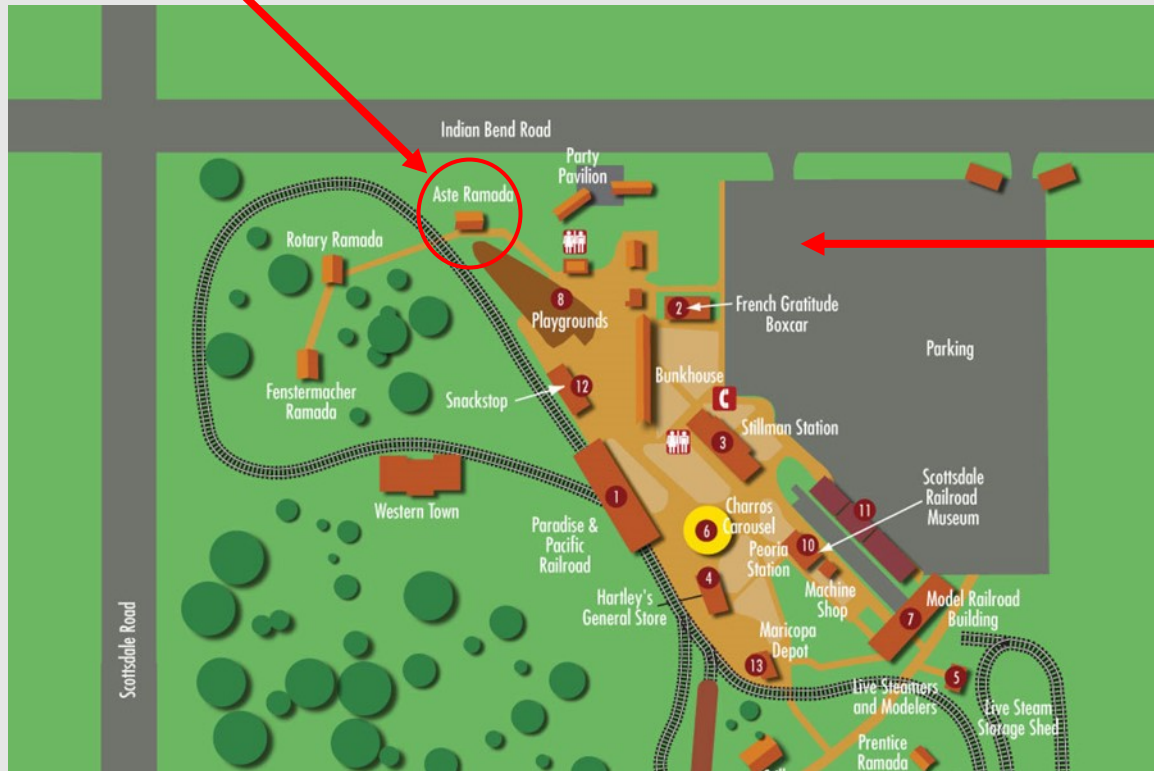
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# SCOTTSDALE MASONIC LODGE #43

## October and November Masonic Anniversaries Celebrating Another Year in the Light

SCOTT B STEMEN	10/22/1986	CHRISTOPHER G BOWEN	10/27/2005	DAVID L KNOX	10/18/1978
MERLE L ANDERSON	10/8/2009	MICHAEL S. DRYDEN	10/18/2012	WALTER B KING	10/29/1981
CHARLES J SUTTON	10/11/1956	DIRK F. HOOGESTRAAT	10/18/2012	BRUCE BAYER	10/29/1959
DAVID ALBERT MCCRAY	10/27/1977	RICHARD C. HUNSINGER	10/23/1980	DENNIS GARDNER IRA	10/11/2012
ELLIOT BEN ROVINSKY	10/29/2009	EDWARD T FRIDLUND	10/30/1975	CHRISTOPHER D. GTITULAR	10/11/2012
MICHAEL D. STRAUER	10/18/1990	H "BRITT" BRITTAN	10/27/1955	MICHAEL T. FEENEY	10/18/2005
LARRY LYNN FRANK	10/8/2009	CARL D. CHADWICK APM	10/3/1985	FRANK M. HOAK III	10/28/1969
DONALD R YERGER	10/27/1958	THOMAS C COOK	10/30/1975	Jerry Dennis HARDIMAN JR.	11/29/2007
ROBERT A. SCHARDT	10/20/1981	MARVIN A BELLEFEUILLE	10/24/1974	MURRAY M. VENUS	11/27/1972
Christopher K. JOHNSON	10/14/2010	LEONARDO E. BOURRIAN	10/27/2005	Lionel H. (chip) UHLMANN III	11/11/2004
Rashawn R. EDWARDS	10/14/2010	BOBBY GENE BOYCHER	10/25/1973	CLAUDE CROSIER JR	11/18/1954
JAMES E WATT JR	10/17/1978	J. FRED HERCHET	10/25/1968	LYNN BOWEN SR	11/29/1973
CARL B WARREN	10/29/1992	CHAD R. WOLAHAN	10/13/2011	ANTHONY JOSEPH DARIN	11/15/2000
PHILIP L PROSAPIO JR.	10/13/1969	PRESCOTT R. SMITH	10/26/2006	WILLIAM G SOLOMON	11/29/1973
LARRY MARSHBANKS PM	10/24/1996	BLAKE TYLER DAVIS	10/15/1998	JAMES PATRICK BRADLEY	11/9/1992
RUSSELL W WARREN	10/27/1966	DAVID K GRIFFITHS	10/31/1963	CHARLES W SQUIRES PM	11/19/1959
JONATHAN M. BEFFEL	10/10/2013	ROBERT H DUCKWORTH	10/24/1963	VINCENT J. WATSON	11/29/2007
JAMES R WALTON	10/8/1992	HARVEY B FRIEDMAN PM	10/28/1964	ROGER F STURNER	11/30/1978
LOREN BURRELL SMITH	10/12/1995	WILLIAM R. STEELE	10/10/1984	FRANCIS M HALL	11/29/1979
JASPER S NICHOLS	10/26/2006	Stewart Allen BENDIT	10/2/2007	DANIEL W BISH	11/15/1962
CHRISTOPHER MUMFREY	10/30/1997	JESSE B LEE PM	10/28/1982	RUSSELL JAY DOWNS	11/3/2003
JON C SHAWL	10/30/1980	MICHAEL W LEMPKE	10/30/1968	THOMAS LEMAR HEARD	11/10/2011
MARKUS M. STENZER	10/14/2010	GARY R. WILSON	10/13/2011	MICHAEL JOHN OZEE	11/11/2000
RICHARD JOHN SHIELDS	10/24/2002	KURT ALAN STANCL	10/11/2012	RONALD D JACKSON	11/19/1981
TROY ERIC BOWERMAN	10/14/2010	Joseph C. BROWN JR. NMD	10/25/2007	ALFRED J HAGAN APM	11/12/1987
DAVID B SMITH	10/23/1976	RICHARD L. BROOKS	10/28/1971	ROBERT W. MARTIN	11/26/1968
CARLOS RAUSCH APM	10/25/1988	WILLIAM T. GESSWEIN APM	10/27/1960	STEPHEN OWEN CLARKE	11/14/2013
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## Traveled to the Celestial Lodge Above Worshipful Brother Joel Adams and Brother Allen Carter

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# October 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Stated Meeting Dinner at 6pm	2 Ramses Grotto 5pm	3 Philadelphia Church of God
4 F.R.C.C 7-2pm	5  Jobbies	6 Scottsdale York Rite (6pm-9pm)	7 Amaranth 5-10pm	8 3rd Degree Dinner at 6PM	9	10 Philadelphia Church of God
11 F.R.C.C 7-2pm Sons of Norway 2pm-5pm	12  Eastern Star	13	14	15 2nd Degree Dinner at 6PM	16	17 Philadelphia Church of God
18 F.R.C.C 7-2pm Rosicrucian's 2-4pm	19  Jobbies	20 Round Table Discussions Scottsdale York Rite (6pm-9pm)	21	22 1st Degree Dinner at 6PM	23	24 Philadelphia Church of God
25 F.R.C.C 7-2pm	26  Eastern Star	27	28	29 Longevity Awards with Grand Master	30	31 Philadelphia Church of God

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# November 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 F.R.C.C 7-2pm	2  Jobbies	3 Scottsdale York Rite (6pm-9pm)	4 Trustees Meeting Amaranth 5-10pm	5 Stated Meeting Dinner at 6pm	6 Ramses Grotto 5pm-10pm	7 Philadelphia Church of God
8 F.R.C.C 7-2pm Sons of Norway 2pm-5pm <b>LODGE PICNIC</b>	9  Eastern Star	10	11	12 3rd Degree Dinner at 6pm	13	14 Philadelphia Church of God
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