

TRESTLEBOARD

Scottsdale Lodge 43 F&AM



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Invite a Friend to come see our Lodge and meet some Brothers

GREETINGS FROM THE EAST

The second half of the year is well underway and we have a full plate of activities and ritual work to participate in. The officers are busy proving proficiency for their upcoming year so come out to Lodge and see how well they are doing.

October is a time of Harvest in many parts of the country, so I would like to dedicate this Trestle Board to that idea. The harvest is a time when you reap the fruits of your Labor. The crops you planted in spring and tended to during the summer have matured and are ready to pick and either sell or store for a later date.

This is also the case in the Masonic Lodge. The year started out with new officers in their various stations and places. As the year went along, we saw how confident each officer was getting in his position as he performed ritual or assisted in projects that helped him grow to become a better officer and in turn to become a better man.

Much like seeds that are spread across the field, the projects and programs at the Lodge either grow or wither on the vine. The seeds that fall on barren ground have no nutrients and the projects/programs which maybe didn't have a good implementation plan in place that would nourish it with meetings, schedules and goals were destined to fail. Some seeds fall on loose dirt and may get a good start but are not able to take root. Programs are much the same - they can start up and there is lots of enthusiasm at the beginning but for one reason or another, brothers are not able to complete on the commitment and they fall off.

But then there are the seeds which find good, rich soil and generate results many times the effort put in. So too is it within the Lodge. We have programs which generate interest, social gathering, and produce results. There are programs which produce pride in participating and knowing we are doing a good thing so the investment was worth it. Brothers and non-Masons come to our Lodge to learn what we do and how we do it. They need to hear us talk about our plans and programs. They need to see the pride we have in our Lodge which will cause them to join and become members and improve themselves.

As we take many of our lessons from the Holy Bible, you may recognize aspects of this article from a parable in Matthew 13.

**Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Bob Beffel
Worshipful Master**



GREETINGS FROM THE WEST

My Brother,

We find ourselves in the month of October, the season of harvest for farmers all over the world. And, as these farmers finally come to realize the fruits of their labor, we too will come to realize the burgeoning talents of our line officers as they prepare to step up to the next chair on their fascinating journey to the East.

As the farmers have toiled in the fields for months, so too have our officers toiled, memorizing and reciting the words of the moral teachings of the craft. They have been working diligently to learn the ritual for the chair they aspire to, skills expanding, growing, weighting the vine and ripe for the picking. And, as the farmers have produced the food that will sustain us in the coming year, so have our officers acquired the skills that will sustain our Lodge in the coming year and pave the way for new Masons entering our fraternity.

So go the seasons, and so goes the seasons of our Lodge. Join us this Thursday Brother, and miss not one more harvest, one more beautiful change of seasons, and one more progression of our line officers who work so hard to provide Masonic sustenance to the Brothers of our Lodge.

**In Brotherly Love,
Bro. Curt Hills
Senior Warden**



LODGE SECRETARY NEEDED!

I am unable to run again for the position of Lodge Secretary due to health issues. My back is getting worse each day and on January 8, 2018 I am having surgery to fuse four vertebrae. I will not be able to continue the duties as Secretary fully for perhaps a year.

The Lodge needs a brother who can commit to running for the position in November and who can dedicate a couple days a week to handle administrative work. I will serve as Secretary Emeritus to provide training and help out as I am able.

Keep in mind the position is like a "real job" so having regular hours and days would be necessary. A \$500/mo. stipend is given to offset travel expenses for Lodge business. Please talk with Stephen Clarke, Secretary, for questions or details. We need to get started on training the new person.

**Fraternaly,
Stephen Clarke, Secretary**

From Our Past Tyler

TRUTH

"Truth is like the sun. It goes away by night, but still there in the morning". Who said that? Elvis Presley. It appears to go away at times, but is still just around the corner of enlightenment. Truth? The Golden Rule is truth exemplified. Simple truth, one to another, is human society's regulator.

Truth is more than honest communication. It covers all motivations, situations, and relations. Proof?...Eliminate the impossible. What's left must be the truth. At first, truth may be mocked, then opposed, but finally regarded as self evident.

Truth can always be shown by honesty and integrity, about not taking shortcuts, or using your own version of the truth, and that honesty is the first step toward wisdom. Thus truth is self evident; if you tell the truth, you don't have to remember anything.

**Fraternally,
Dave Woodland PM**

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GREETINGS FROM THE SOUTH

"Harvest", a noun, came from the Old English word *haerfest*, meaning "autumn" (the season), "harvest-time", or "August". (It continues to mean "autumn" in British dialect, and "season of gathering crops" generally.) "The harvest" came to also mean the activity of reaping, gathering, and storing grain and other grown products during the autumn, and also the grain and other grown products themselves. "Harvest" was also verified: "To harvest" means to reap, gather, and store the harvest (or the crop). People who harvest and equipment that harvests are harvesters; while they do it, they are harvesting.



Harvesting marks the end of the growing season, or the growing cycle. Historically, harvesting is the most labor-intensive activity of the growing season. In modern times (post WWII) harvesting utilizes the most expensive and sophisticated farm machinery, such as the combine harvester.

The social importance of the Harvest makes it the focus of celebrations in all cultures.

A "bumper crop" means extraordinary profits for the farmers and the community as a whole. It can mean improvements to infrastructure, health and science. A poor crop, in some communities, even in this day means people go hungry. Poor harvests can lead to wars as hungry people compete for scarce resources.

A side note; Oktoberfest in Munich Germany is not to celebrate the harvest, but to celebrate the wedding of King Ludwig to Princess Therese in 1810.

The metaphor to masonry is that we are in the last two months of work for the current line officers. The Wardens and the Senior Deacon are studying to gain proficiency for the chairs they aspire. The Master is looking forward to resuming his normal life after he takes the vacation he promised his wife after a two year term as Master. Our Harvest is just around the corner.

**Fraternally,
Brandon Valentine,
Junior Warden**

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REMINDER

TRESTLEBOARD DELIVERY CHANGE

The Trustees made a decision to change how the Trestleboard is delivered. Over the past several years our membership has declined, yet the cost of printing and mailing the Trestleboard has increased. Although we do use Bulk Mail the cost per copy and total production cost has continued to increase to the point where it may impact the budget for other programs planned for the Lodge. Since the vast majority of Brothers now have Email access and use the internet, you can help the Lodge reduce the cost by electing to get your Trestleboard via Email only.

YOUR MAILED TRESTLEBOARD WILL CONTINUE, UNLESS YOU OPT OUT OF THE MAILINGS.

Additionally, the Trestleboard is placed on the Lodge website. By selecting the electronic option, you get to read the Trestle Board two weeks before those who have to wait for printing, processing, labeling, and the US Mail (assuming we have your latest address).

TO MAKE THE CHANGE, SEND YOUR REQUEST VIA EMAIL TO THE SECRETARY AT:

secretary@scottsdalelodge43.com

Lodge Phone (480) 946-1072

Thank you in advance for helping.

From the Secretary's Desk

NOTE TO ALL FROM THE GRAND LODGE!

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 Lodge 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/docs/Copper Post November 2016.pdf](http://www.azmasons.org/docs/Copper_Post_November_2016.pdf)

Fraternally,

**Stephen Clarke
Secretary**

From Eastern Star:

You are invited to join us at a **Chicken Fried Steak Dinner & Silent Auction on Saturday October 7th 2017 from 4-6 pm at Scottsdale Masonic Lodge.** For \$10.00, you can enjoy a great meal without cooking; But please RSVP to Jean Yunker by Oct 4th at 480-945-4179.

Please notate on your fall calendar that we will have a Parking Lot Rummage Sale on Friday, November 17thalso at the Scottsdale Masonic Lodge parking lot. Come look for some great bargains!

Fraternally,

**Janet Mielke, Past Matron
Scottsdale #43**

Order of the Eastern Star



BROTHERS TRANSPORTATION TO LODGE

The Brother's Outreach Team has decided to raise 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 Michael Trumbull @ 480-800-7297 to arrange for a ride to and from at no cost to you (Valley area only). If you would like to support this worthy cause, please send a check to Scottsdale Lodge 43 POB 486 Scottsdale, AZ 85252. On the check write "Transportation Fund" or use credit card by calling the Secretary at 480-946-1072.



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HELP IS STILL NEEDED FROM ALL BROTHERS!!

We have been working to update both the database software and the information contained. We currently have probably 50 brothers who lack phone numbers, some lack addresses, and email addresses. Please just email the Secretary with the info at secretary@scottsdalelodge43.com! No email? Just call 480-946-1072 or mail it to Scottsdale Lodge #43 POB 486 Scottsdale, AZ 85252 to correct it with us as soon as possible.

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 Phone: _____
 Email: _____

Brothers, this is a **VERY** important request! It is essential that we be able to contact you. It is difficult and time consuming to try to locate a brother. We try the internet, Facebook, LinkedIn, other Masonic organizations to try to locate a brother we can't contact. A little help from you can make a BIG difference!

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Bruce Bayer	10/29/1959	David Keith Griffiths	10/31/1963	Elliot Ben Rovinsky	10/29/2009
Robert Gerald Beer	10/26/2013	Marc Charles Gross	10/12/2002	Dennis Gerald Senst	10/25/2001
Jonathan Martin Beffel	10/3/2013	John Frederick Herchet	10/25/1968	Richard John Shields	10/24/2002
Marvin Alfred Bellefeuille	10/24/1974	Frank M Hoak III	10/28/1969	Loren Burrell Smith	10/12/1995
Steven Brian Bonanno	10/15/2015	Dirk F Hoogestraat II	10/18/2012	Prescott Raymond Smith	10/26/2006
Leo E Bourrian	10/27/2005	Richard Charles Hunsinger	10/23/1980	Scott Allen Smith	10/31/2015
Joseph Carlyle Brown Jr	10/25/2007	Dennis Gardner Agapito Ira	10/11/2012	Kurt Alan Stancl	10/11/2012
Carl David Chadwick	10/3/1985	Christopher Kermit Johnson	10/14/2010	William Raymond Steele	10/10/1984
Thomas Carlson Cook	10/30/1975	Walter Breck King	10/29/1981	Scott Burton Stemen	10/22/1986
Blake Tyler Davis	10/15/1998	David L Knox	10/18/1978	Michael Dennis Strauber	10/18/1990
Michael Scott Dryden	10/18/2012	Jesse Bishop Lee	10/28/1982	Charles Joseph Sutton	10/11/1956
Robert Hunt Duckworth	10/24/1963	Michael Wayne Lempke	10/30/1968	Christopher Dohn Gomez Titular	10/11/2012
William Judson Duke III	10/9/2014	Napoleon Rennald Leyesa	10/15/2015	Carl Bailey Warren	10/29/1992
Rashawn Roberto Edwards I	0/14/2010	Steven Joseph Lueder	10/13/2016	Russell Wade Warren	10/27/1966
Michael Thomas Feeney	10/18/2005	Larry Ray Marshbanks	10/24/1996	James Edward Watt Jr	10/17/1978
Larry Lynn Frank	10/8/2009	Christopher Everette Mumfrey	10/30/1997	William Frank Wilkins	10/15/2015
Edward Thomas Fridlund	10/30/1975	Jasper Sheridan Nichols Sr	10/26/2006	Chad Robert Wolahan	10/13/2011
Harvey Bennett Friedman	10/20/1964	Brian Alexander Oliver	10/9/2008	Peter Frederich Yauch	10/9/2014
William Thomas Gesswein	10/27/1960	Philip L. Prosapio	10/13/1969	Donald R. Yerger	10/27/1958

This Brother Has

Traveled to The Celestial Lodge Above

Norman Outcalt
Born: February 24, 1023
Passed: August 11, 2017

EA: 4-10-58
FC: 5-15-58
MM: 6-26-58



Lodge Officer Change

Brethren,

At the September 7, 2017 Stated Meeting, our District Deputy Grand Master, WB Michael Gatti installed Brother Todd Millecam as Lodge Marshal and Brother Carl Eschenbrenner as Lodge Chaplain for the remainder of 2017. We thank our former Chaplain Jon Beffel and Marshal Javier Keim for their service to the Lodge. Priorities within their lives prevented them from participating as officers for the remainder of the year. We wish them all the very best.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Bob Beffel
Worshipful Master

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**** October Calendar of Events ****

- October 4 - Trustee Meeting
- October 5 - Stated Meeting, Bro SW sitting in the East
- October 6 - Wine and Cheese event
- October 12 - Third Degree
- October 19 - Second Degree
- October 26 - First Degree

***CHECK THE LODGE WEB SITE FOR THE MOST CURRENT SCHEDULE and DETAILS**

<http://www.scottsdalelodge43.com>

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Upcoming Events, Save the Dates

Nov. 19... Annual Lodge Picnic at

McCormick Railroad Park

Dec. 10... Installation of 2018 Officers

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MEETING PLACE

Scottsdale Masonic Lodge,
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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