

Scottsdale Lodge #43 F&AM

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75 Years of Masonic Light



From the Editor

75 Years of Light

Did you ever walk into a darkened room and light a single candle? The room would then have a gentle but dim glow all around, yet the light it shed fades away into the corners. As more candles are lit the light in the room gets brighter and the shadows fade and even the darkest corners get brighter.

A lodge is like the dark room before each brother brings his light, like a candle into it. The more brothers contributing to the light the brighter the lodge gets. Their added light once brought into the lodge for all to share, remains even after they have left us.

As you look around our lodge room, reflect on the many brothers that have come and gone in the 75 years Scottsdale #43 has existed. The lodge always encouraged each man to be a better man than before he sought light and became a Mason. The light from our past brothers still shines in our lodge. It became brighter because of them. May your light added to theirs continue to lead us all to be better men in our daily lives. May the memory of our departed brothers continue to brighten our lodge.

Fraternally,
Fred LaBell 32°,
Trestleboard Editor

From the East

For 75 years, Scottsdale Lodge #43 has stood as a beacon of Masonic enlightenment, guiding Brothers on their journey toward further light in Masonry. As we reflect on our rich history of Masonic education, we find inspiration to carry this noble tradition forward into the future.



A Legacy of Learning

Since its founding in 1950, as Juanita Y Olmos Lodge, Scottsdale Lodge has been committed to the pursuit of Masonic knowledge. Our lodge has long recognized that true Masonic light comes not just from ritual, but from a deeper understanding of our symbols, history, and philosophy. Over the decades, we have employed various methods to illuminate the minds of our Brethren:

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From the West

Greetings from the West,

As we step into the spring and celebrate the beautiful month of March, we are also reflecting on how Scottsdale Masonic Lodge has illuminated our paths during these 75 years of Masonic light. Spring is an opportunity for renewal and reinvigoration, both individually and as a Lodge. In Scottsdale we are fortunate to

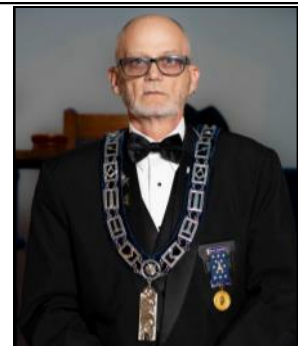


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From the South

A balance of learning, reflection, and application to inspire growth in Freemasonry.

1. Opening Message (for Lodge or Discussion)
“Brethren, as we journey through this Masonic year, let us embrace the wisdom of Refresh and Repose. Just as a candle must be rekindled to shine brightly, so too must our understanding and spirit be renewed. Through refreshing our



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Lectures and Presentations: Distinguished speakers and knowledgeable Brothers have shared their wisdom on topics ranging from esoteric symbolism to practical applications of Masonic virtues.

Study Groups: Small gatherings of dedicated Masons have delved deep into Masonic literature, exploring the hidden meanings within our rituals and traditions.

Mentorship Programs: Experienced Masons have taken new Brothers under their wing, guiding them through the intricacies of our Craft and helping them to internalize its teachings. Many of you probably did not know this, but the original purpose of many of the rooms where we now store paraphernalia was for Master Masons and their Mentees to study and learn ritual.

Trestleboard Articles: Our monthly newsletter has long served as a source of Masonic education, featuring thought-provoking articles and insights from both within and beyond our lodge.

Carrying the Light Forward

As we look to the future, we must consider how to adapt our educational efforts to meet the needs of modern Masons while preserving the essence of our traditions. Here are some ways we can continue to spread Masonic light:

1. **Embrace Technology:** While maintaining the sanctity of our in-person gatherings, we can leverage digital platforms to offer educational content to a wider audience of Brothers.
2. **Interactive Workshops:** Moving beyond passive lectures, we can engage Brothers in hands-on learning experiences that bring Masonic symbols and allegories to life.
3. **Community Outreach:** By sharing our light with the wider community through public lectures and charitable works, we can attract like-minded individuals to our Craft.
4. **Encourage Original Research:** We should foster a culture of scholarly inquiry, encouraging Brothers to contribute new insights to Masonic knowledge.
5. **Revitalize Ritual Education:** While preserving our ritual's integrity, we must ensure that every Brother

understands the profound meanings behind our ceremonies.

The Path Ahead

As we celebrate 75 years of Masonic light, let us recommit ourselves to the pursuit of knowledge and self-improvement. By continuing to innovate in our educational approaches while honoring our timeless traditions, Scottsdale Lodge #43 can ensure that the light of Freemasonry burns brightly for generations to come.

In the words of our ritual, let us continue to study so that the “principles and mystic ceremonies... make a deep and lasting impression upon your mind,” for it is through this constant pursuit of light that we truly embody the spirit of our Craft. As we move forward, may each Brother strive to be both a student and a teacher, ever seeking and ever sharing the illuminating wisdom of Freemasonry.

Fraternally,
David Earney
Master
Scottsdale Lodge 43



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have this amazingly lovely weather to share with each other, as well as with the many new visitors to the Valley and to our Lodge throughout the spring season. This is an opportunity for us to dust off the rust and tidy-up our spaces and dealings, and this is the time to demonstrate the best of what Scottsdale 43 has to offer to our fellow Brethren, families, friends, and new visitors.

The culture of Scottsdale 43 has been passed down and carried brightly for 75 years by the many dedicated brothers and families of this Lodge. This effort and tradition of illumination has been carried out in love and commitment year after year through excellent ritual, crafted education, and wonderful social gatherings and festivities. We have all benefited greatly from the efforts and labor of so many before us to make Scottsdale 43 a Lodge we are so proud to call home. We are also called to continue illuminating the path for all of those to come after, the future generations of Freemason and their families in Arizona, who will be inspired to do the same. Every year, every lodge officer line can leave their mark and continue to raise the bar for the next.

Brothers, we have an opportunity here in Scottsdale to shape the future of Masonry in Arizona, through our commitment and our labor, we can inspire all these new brothers and seekers to not only keep the light burning, but to make it brighter and brighter. What we do here, or anywhere for that matter, reverberates outward through our communities and our state, and it all truly matters. We are crafting the future of our lodge and fraternity in what we do here now...be it working in the kitchen, performing ritual, or sitting honorably as a trustee. All of it matters, and all of us have a role to play and contribute. Let us spring forth in renewal of spirit and commitment, and take that extra step forward towards making ourselves and our lodge better and brighter.

Fraternally,
Brian Zeman
 Senior Warden



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knowledge and taking moments of repose, we not only guide ourselves but also inspire those who walk this path beside us.”

2. Key Elements of the Program

A. Refresh – Renewing Our Understanding

- Organize short discussions or lectures on fundamental Masonic teachings.
- Invite brethren to share personal reflections on symbols, rituals, or principles.
- Encourage revisiting core texts like the Book of Constitutions, charges, or lectures.

B. Repose – The Power of Reflection

- Integrate moments of silence in Lodge to allow contemplation.
- Encourage personal meditation on Masonic lessons.
- Promote mentorship where brethren can seek guidance in a thoughtful manner.

C. Renew – Applying the Light in Daily Life

- Challenge brethren to take one Masonic principle each month and apply it in their daily lives.
- Organize a “Masonic Reflection Night” where members share how these teachings have influenced them.
- Strengthen fraternal bonds through fellowship and support.

3. Closing Charge

“Brethren, as we walk this path together, let us be mindful that true Light is not just gained—it must be renewed. By refreshing our minds, embracing repose, and applying what we learn, we become better men, better Masons, and better guides for those who follow.”

Steven Agee
 Junior Warden

*****ATTENTION*****

**MEMBERS ARE INSTRUCTED NOT
 TO ENGAGE WITH HOMELESS
 PERSONS THAT MAY BE NEAR OUR
 BUILDING. IF NECESSARY CALL 911.**

Photo Memories of Brothers through the years.
Who can you recognize?



Scottsdale Lodge Represented in the Prada Del Sol Parade



Come on over to the Fellowship Breakfast

Including Bacon, Sausage, Eggs, Omelets to order and Hash Browns, A buffet with Coffee, Juice, bagels and fruit too.

Saturday, March 15 9am until 11am

Great way to start your weekend.

A Donation of \$13 is requested





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 Contact Bro. Fred LaBell at FLaBell@cox.net

Masonic License Plates
 We all have license plates on our vehicles, but do you have a MASONIC PLATE on yours? For only \$25 per year ADOT will issue you a Masonic Plate and a portion of that goes to the Arizona Grand Lodge.

LODGE OFFICE HOURS
 Regular Office Hours for the Secretary:
 Wednesday through Friday
 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

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. Contact Brother Brian Zeman

Brothers,
 We handle the following legal matters:



- Injury Cases, including – Motor Vehicle Accidents, Camp Lejeune Water Contamination Exposure, and Harmful and Defective Products
- Estate Planning – Trusts, VA Aid and Attendance and Medicare Planning

Did you know that a **Veteran** or a **Surviving Spouse** could qualify for a little known tax free VA pension (Aid and Attendance) benefit of \$2,642 per month for a married veteran, or \$1,432 per month for a surviving spouse? Do to a 3 year look back period, you may need to plan ahead to ensure eligibility for this benefit.

Contact Bro Stephen Wall, Attorney
 Discounts for Brothers and their Families

Free Consultations

Law Office of Stephen M. Wall
 480.222.3888

 U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs **Accredited Attorney** 

ON THE LEVEL

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. This is also a good place to find help, just ask.

Masonic Education

PATHS

You will find the path to your destination, be it fame or fortune. Paths you follow were left by those who went before. You will leave your mark where there was no path before, and you will a trail to be followed. Wisdom lets you know where you want to go, and ambition tells you how to get there. George Bernard Shaw said that wisdom comes not from recalling the past, but by realizing the responsibility for the future. A challenging thought, but the past is a place to learn, an academy for the future. Some of the best lessons are the mistakes from the past. The errors of the past form the wisdom of the future.

Wisdom is often a confused comparison with intelligence. It is demonstrated by remembering the wisdom of people from the past, innate and pre Harvard. Simply put, wisdom is organized life.

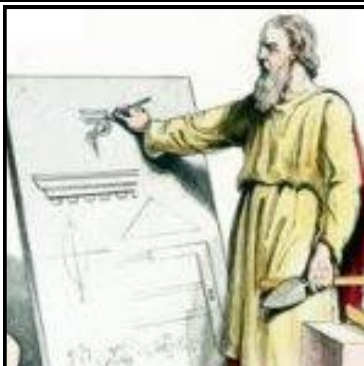
The danger of not aiming high enough is achieving success on a lower grade. Better to err and aim higher and miss some marks, than too low and achieve mediocrity.

David Woodland, PM

Although he is gone, in his memory we will continue to publish his wisdom.

Lodge Trestleboard Editor Replacement

Brothers, I am looking for someone to replace me as the Trestleboard Editor at a time to be determined later. If you are interested, please contact the Worshipful Master or Brother Fred LaBell.



Junior Warden's Menu for March

Thursday 6th	Thursday 13th	Thursday 20th	Thursday 27th
Rib-eye Steaks	Ms Madden's Corned Beef	Lasagna	Chicken Franchise
Mashed Potatoes / gravy	Boiled Potatoes & Carrots		Mashed Potatoes
Grilled Asparagus	Boiled Cabbage		Sauteed Brussel Sprouts
Dinner Rolls	Irish Soda Bread	Garlic Bread	Dinner Rolls
Dessert	Dessert	Dessert	Dessert

From the Secretary's Desk:

Brethren,

It's that time when we begin a new Masonic year. If you haven't been in lodge for a while it's time to come out and see and be a part of what is happening in YOUR lodge. I would like to tell you that the January stated meeting went very well, but I was sick and missed it. I would like you to know that the new line of officers is young and enthusiastic. They are working hard to become good ritualists and doing excellent degree work. They are also involved in the extracurricular activities of the lodge to make it enjoyable for the members and families to enjoy the activities. I hope you'll take the time to attend the monthly lodge breakfast on the third Saturday of each month and possibly attend one of the dinners before the lodge meetings on Thursday nights.

I would like to thank the brothers who have paid their 2025 dues for this year and ask that you continue to remit your dues for the continued operation of the lodge. Also, to the brothers who have given over and above the annual dues, thank you for your donations. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

I look forward to seeing you in lodge, and I'm always at your service.

Sincerely and fraternally,

**Jim Rowan, PM/OGM
Secretary.**

SCOTTSDALE MASONIC LODGE #43

From the Secretary's Desk

Brethren,

It's that time of year, The 2025 Dues invoices have been mailed. If you have not received yours, contact the Secretary ASAP.

If you have a problem and cannot pay your dues, please contact the Secretary via email at secretary@scottsdalelodge43.com.

Thank you for your continued support.

**Fraternally,
Jim Rowan, PM/PGM
Secretary**

Scottsdale Chapter #43

Order of the Eastern Star

We were honored to have the Master and Lodge Officers join our Chapter Officers and members for dinner and getting to know each other better on Monday, January 27. OES members shared info about our Order and did answer questions. We have a stated meeting on Monday, March 10th and —we will celebrate our Chapter Birthday and honor our 25 and 50 year members on Monday, March 24th. We received our Charter on March 24, 1954. We will be celebrating 71 years at the Lodge!
—On Saturday, March 29th we will have a Fashion Show Salad Luncheon at the Lodge and fashions are by New Image. Lunch is 11:30 and fashion show follows. Donation is \$10.00. We will have door prizes too. Shopping is available if you're in need of new Spring clothes, jewelry, and other accessories. Aren't we all? Please encourage the women you know to shop and join us for food, fun, and fellowship.
—On Monday, April 14th we will honor our Past Matron's and Past Patron's.

Diana Hutchinson



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.

There is a master list of #43 Masons accessible through "Grandview" on the website. You must log in to use it.

<http://www.azmasons.org>

**Fraternally,
Jim Rowan PGM,
Secretary**

Kinishba Court #6

Happy Spring everyone!

Kinishba Court is finishing up our 2024-2025 year with an Initiation! We are very excited to welcome this new member into our Order and the Masonic family. March brings the spring season with new beginnings and fresh starts.

We are preparing for Grand Court with our own Honored Lady Karen Machamer finishing her term as Grand Royal Matron, and then our own Honored Lady Alcia DelaCruz and Sir Knight Raddy DelaCruz assuming the Grand East. We are very proud of our members and the work they do for the Grand Court.

We hope everyone has a wonderful March!

**HL Bizzy Herbolsheimer
Supreme Royal Matron
Kinishba Court #6**



March 2025 Master Mason Anniversaries Celebrating Another Year in the Light

Melvyn Lewis Arthur	1956-03-22	John Salvatore Favara	2017-03-09	Robert Bonner Rye	2005-03-24
William Lee Baran	1976-03-10	Mohammad Ghannoum	2022-03-10	Richard George Saine	1977-03-15
Glenn Lockwood Bezuyen	2001-03-29	Michae lPaul Haley	2012-03-08	Stanley Joseph Sparrow	2013-03-14
Anthony John Blunda	2010-03-11	Jesus Alfredo Jaramillo	2016-03-17	Steven Eric Squires	1997-03-20
Fernando Anthony Caraballo	2007-03-29	William Edward Keim	1950-03-11	Michael D Valecourt PM	2016-03-17
Thomas Wesley Carroll	1983-03-24	Donald Maxwell	1973-03-29	Raymond Roger Wallage	1999-03-11
Michael Joseph Donato	2015-03-19	James Warner Meredith	2007-03-29	Terry Lee Zeiger	1976-03-25
Jason Scott Duey	2005-03-24	James Arland Osman III	2004-03-11		
George Richard Easter	1964-03-26	Vincent Paul Outcalt	1997-03-27		



Scottsdale #43 Masonic Lodge Building

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Brother's, below are the planned activities for March.

Any changes will come to you via emails

March 4 - Brotherhood, Coffee, and Donuts (9:30 AM)
Get ready for another awesome Brotherhood, Coffee, and Doughnuts gathering! ☺☐ Can't make it to our Thursday night meetings? No worries! This is your chance to catch up with your Masonic family in a relaxed, casual setting.

March 5 - Officers' Meeting followed by Trustees' Meeting
Officer's Meeting (6:00 PM) followed by Trustee's Meeting (7:00 PM)

- Officers are required to attend only the first hour and will meet in the Lodge Library or Secretary's Office. Trustees will meet in the Secretary's Office.

March 6 - Lodge Dinner (6:00 PM) followed by Stated Business Meeting (7:00 PM)
Steak dinner followed by the business of the Lodge. We will be reading at least one petition and discussing the regular business of the Lodge.

March 11 - Brotherhood, Coffee, and Donuts (9:30 AM)
Get ready for another awesome Brotherhood, Coffee, and Doughnuts gathering! ☺☐ Can't make it to our Thursday night meetings? No worries! This is your chance to catch up with your Masonic family in a relaxed, casual setting.

March 12- Ritual Practice (mandatory for Officers)
Mandatory for all Lodge Officers and optional for all Members - hosted by WM David Earney and the Ritual Excellence Committee.

March 13- EA Conferral (Carl Eschenbrenner in the East)

March 15 - Lodge Breakfast

March 18 - Brotherhood, Coffee, and Donuts (9:30 AM)
Get ready for another awesome Brotherhood, Coffee, and Doughnuts gathering! ☺☐ Can't make it to our Thursday night meetings? No worries! This is your chance to catch up with your Masonic family in a relaxed, casual setting.

March 19 - Ritual Practice

March 20 - FC Conferral (Proficiency for Steven Agee)

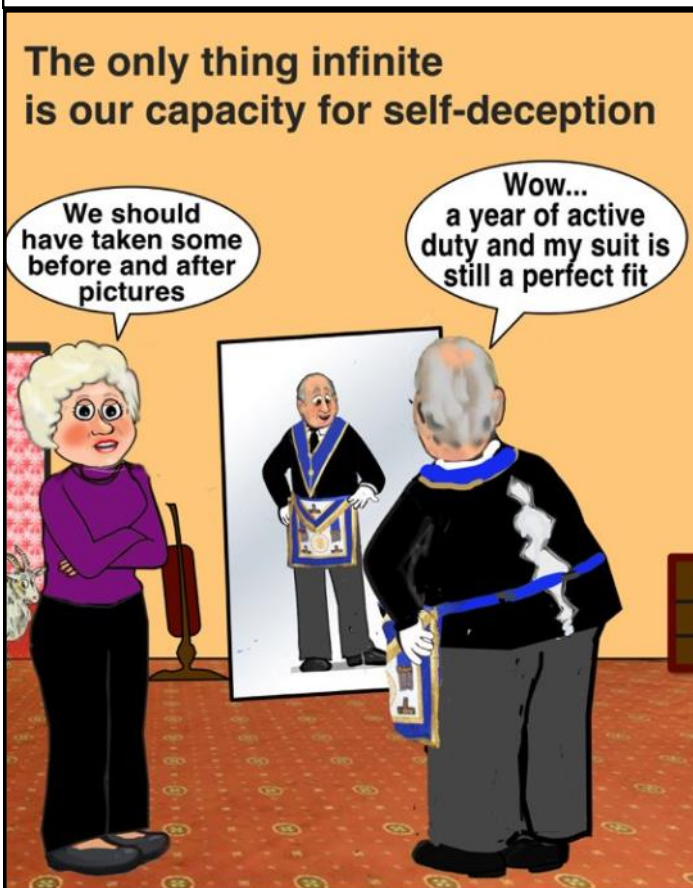
March 25- Brotherhood, Coffee, and Donuts (9:30 AM)
Get ready for another awesome Brotherhood, Coffee, and Doughnuts gathering! ☺☐ Can't make it to our Thursday night meetings? No worries! This is your chance to catch

up with your Masonic family in a relaxed, casual setting.

March 26 - Ritual Practice (Optional)

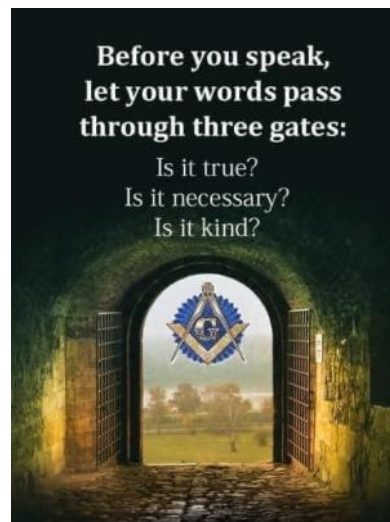
March 27 - Mrs. Madden's Corned Beef and Cabbage / MM Conferral

March 28-30 - Arizona Masonicon - Prescott, Arizona



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Scottsdale Lodge Information

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 Junior StewardRichard Johnson
 Senior StewardPaul Pearson
 Junior Deacon.....Bill Alvarez,
 Senior DeaconCarl Eschenbrenner
 Marshal:Rob Swoboda
 Chaplain:Steven Sampson, PM
 Secretary:Jim Rowan, PGM
 Treasurer:Brian Blodgett
 Junior Warden:Steven Agee
 Senior Warden:Brian Zeman
 Worshipful Master..David Earney

NOTICE

Due to current Lodge Building security
 being reviewed and updated, contact
 the Lodge Office 480-946-1072 for
 Officer or Committee Chair
 Contact Information

2025 Scottsdale Lodge Committees

Audit Committee:	Worshipful Master
Friend to Friend/Seekers:	Worshipful Master
Philanthropic/Charity:	Worshipful Master
Building Resolution:	Worshipful Master
Proficiency & Mentorship:	Sr. Warden
Security and Lodge Safety	Sr. Warden
Sickness & Distress/MMW&O:	Sr. Warden
Brother's Outreach:	Sr. Warden
Labor and Refreshment: (Stewards)	Jr. Warden (assisted by Stewards)
Public Relations/Parades:	Jr. Warden
Celestial Journey: (Deacon)	Jr. Warden (assisted by Jr. Deacon)
Jewelry Case:	Sr. Deacon
Library:	Jr. Deacon
Chamber of Reflection:	Sr. Steward
Technology: (Warden)	Jr. Steward (assisted by Sr. Warden)
Tenant Relations/Bldg/ Scheduling & Needs:	Secretary

CALL IF YOU NEED A RIDE TO LODGE

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 Jim Rowan 480-946-1072.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.

2025 LODGE TRUSTEES

Scott Herbert Tracy	Term Expires: 2027
Michael Valecourt	Term Expires: 2027
Taylor McMullen	Term Expires: 2026
Tony Darin	Term Expires: 2026
Tim Scarpino	Term Expires: 2025
Joe Martoccia	Term Expires: 2025

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.

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