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# Welcome Back to the Fall Activities at the Lodge

## FROM THE EAST

#### Welcome back!

Our summer project was a success. We major transformed the kitchen from a dated, dirty kitchen to a clean, bright, and compliant commercial kitchen with new stainless steel open shelving. Special *`thank* vou' to



everyone who worked so hard on the summer project including, Curt Hills, PM, Steve Sampson, PM, Michael Valecourt, PM, Steven Agree, Bill McKusker, Brian Zeman, Clynton Tupas, Rich Davis, Shawn Hunter, Barry Goldwater Jr., and many "friend-tofrienders".

Beginning with our Table Lodge Thursday, September 28. our lodge has a full calendar of events between now and our lodge picnic Sunday, November 13. Keep an eye on weekly emails for update of events.

**READY TO START GIVING BACK?** – Consider serving on a committee. Bikes for books, budget, social, building, planning, ritual, social media, teacher's night, awards, Prada del Sol, and Widow's Night, are a few of the committees that make our lodge great. Thees committees cannot function without the help of many Masons.

Ask me how you can get involved with one of these important committees.

**TRIP TO BISBEE** – Scottsdale Lodge 43 is having an official visit at Bisbee lodge Thursday, October. Scottsdale officers will be conferring a 2nd degree at

## **FROM THE WEST**

Brethren,

I hope you all have enjoyed vour Summer Break and are refreshed well for the upcoming year! I cannot wait get back to sharing to



Fellowship with all Brothers, along with assisting men become better Masons.

When I first became a Mason, I used to ask myself, "What is a Mason?" or "What makes a good Mason?" I think its a question that is over generalized along with being one's personal opinion. When I was first became a Master Mason, I was given a book from a Brother who also just went through the degrees. The book was titled, "Overserving the Craft" This book was written by a Past Grand Master of Washington DC. I would high recommend this book to all Master Masons. The term: "Masonic Excellence" is often used in this book. I challenge all Brothers who read this to come find me sometime during lodge, or give me a call or text me about what the term means to them. HINT: there is no wrong answer!! I am curious as to what all Brothers, along with all the men that are attending 'friend of friend' have to say. It is my hope that all Brothers pursue Masonic Excellence!

Fraternally, **Shawn Hunter Senior Warden** 



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the Bisbee lodge. Making this official visit even more special is because, the famous "Staircases" now reside at the Bisbee lodge. It's going to be a special degree. You won't want to miss this awesome night.

Fraternally,

Tim Scarpino Worshipful Master

## From the South

Dear Brethren,

Greetings from September. Back to School! Recently, I was at my in-laws house when my young nephew came home ecstatic from his



first day at school. He had so much energy and so many new things to share with us. What a joyous time! As I considered the prevailing attitude of excitement, I was called to reflection of my own experience as a child and young man in public education.

Much of my experience was, well, arduous - to say the least. However, there are so many wonderful and beautiful things I have gained from each season that I spent dedicated to progressing in my learning and studying. Not to mention the many wonderful people who were dedicated enough in their own passion for educating, to put up with my stubbornness and frustration.

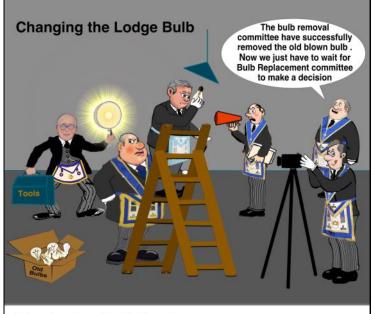
While I may no longer be subject to the dictates of the bus schedule and the whims of my Home Room teacher, I find that regular application of the same practices and principles greatly benefits my life. Whether it is the practice of our virtues to face what we must, in Truth and wisdom or the seeking out of the wisdom of our elders and our peers.

Our rituals advise that we spend time in the Arts and Sciences and as the desire for knowledge increases, our mental capacity is increased and enlarged, accordingly. From my own experience, I can confirm that this is a requisite step – the application to memory. It is from the memorizing of the ritual and lectures that I find many insights are able to just arise in my mind at the right moment of need, often in service of my loved ones and my brothers.

Just as there is a clear and valuable impact from arduously applying the rigors of learning and our endowed skillset to our mental faculties; conversely, there is also tremendous benefit in quiet contemplation, pondering and reflecting upon what other areas of life wherein we may apply similar exertions and assessment. What lessons are we currently learning from our True and Living Master Architect?

Where might we truly benefit from a mentor or tutor? Or perhaps some of us have recently graduated from a course of study (traditional or otherwise) and are now easily and fervently applying it to life, as you strive discover the next venture worthy of your investment? Wherever you are with your own personal learning, I hope that in this season you will take a few moments to ponder how far you have come from that first day in school and what would the Architect have you studying now?

Fraternally, Michael D. Valecourt, PM Junior Warden



Many hands make light work





### Live and Learn

"Be who you are, say what you feel, because in the end, those who matter don't mind, and those who mind don't matter"...Wise words from Dr. Seuse. Think of all the words and other smart advice vou have heard over the years like "Be yourself", Be your own person", "Think for yourself", and such. Oh, if that is all it takes to succeed, stand alone and the world is yours. The quote cited really says is what others think of your attitude is what really counts. If you think so, don't count on it to help make а success you of yourself.

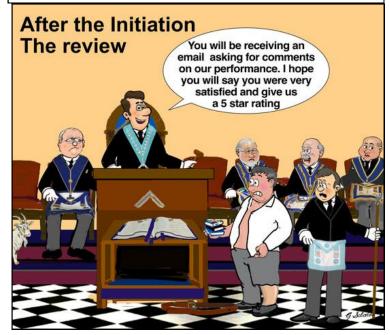
Better words to live by are "No man is an island". Never forget, be ready always to listen and accept the outstretched hand of help. Pride in refusal is never an asset, but always a step backward. Learning from others is the great graduate school that should always be in session. Some of what you may hear is debatable opinion, some is directly related, and all have degrees of usefulness. Accept all that is offered, sift it as you would the grains in a pan of gold, and be grateful for the few tiny specks of help that is your gain.

You can still be the person you are, say what you feel, but don't think of those who might not like what you express, as ones who do not matter.

Dave Woodland, PM

70 Year Mason

If you are helping in ritual this Fall start practicing you part



## <u>GETTING TO KNOW</u> 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.







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

## RSVP: secretary@scottsdalelodge43.com

- 7-course catered dinner from The Sicilian Butcher - wine pairings
- Hardback copy of George Washington's "Rules of Civility and Decent Behaviour"
- 2 Custom George Washington Cannons

\*\*\*Master Masons Only\*\*\*



## SCOTTSDALE MASONIC LODGE #43





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## Contact Bro. Fred LaBell at FLaBell@cox.net

## **Brothers Working With Brothers**

Brothers, If you haven't seen this new <u>Facebook Group</u> 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



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Brothers, Our fraternity has many appendant bodies and interest groups. Check out the Scottish Rite, York Rite and Shriners.

There is also a motorcycle group called Widows Sons that always seems to be taking road trips.

There is a golf tournament coming up too.

The thing is, don't sit back and think there is nothing to do, beside Degree Work.

## Scottsdale #43 Masonic Shirts for Sale

Contact the Secretary for details and cost.

To place your order call (480) 946-1072.







Remember, while you are at

Lodge check out our Masonic jewelry case for various Masonic themed pins, emblems, ties and many other items.



## If you did not pay your 2022 Lodge Dues, they are past due.

Please submit payment upon receipt of invoice by check to Secretary or Credit card via Zelle on lodge website

Dues are \$194 for 2022. If paying by credit card, add \$6 so it's \$200. \*If you have a problem, call the Secretary

> Mailing Address Phone Number (s) Preferred Email Address

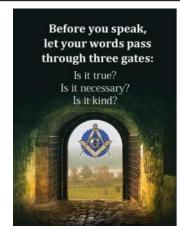
# Arizona Grand Lodge Website

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

<u>http://www.azmasons.org</u> Fraternally, Tom Burke, Secretary

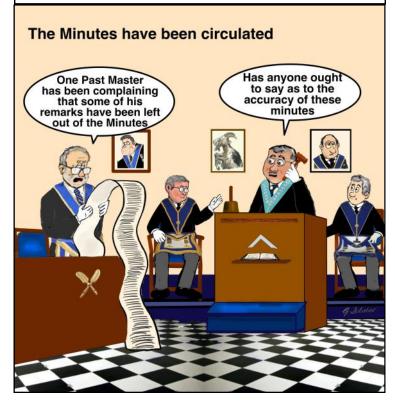


Just a Reminder when you come to Lodge. We have Bothers and Visitors that may have health issues, so use sanitizer and if you have health concerns wear a mask.

## NEEDED...RETIRED BROTHERS

We need retired brothers who would be willing to serve on the <u>Celestial Journey Team</u> (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 <u>eispro@leaders-view.com</u> 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







#### A WORLD OF PRIORITIES by Bernes B. Brooks, D.G.M. of Arkansas

This paper was originally presented at the Southwest Masonic Conference, Dallas, Texas in September 1982, shortly before R.W. Bro. Brooks passed away. It's original title was "Youth and its Positive Effect on Freemasonry."

A small percentage of the youth today knows who are Masons, what they believe, and the teachings and philosophy of the fraternity. How could they know when we have, by our own election, kept ourselves out of the limelight in our society because we do nothing for which to be recognized? The younger generation thinks of Masonry as something to which their grandfathers belonged, something out of the past, that must remain in the past because they see or know of nothing which gives them cause to think otherwise.

We must stop and realize the vast amount of knowledge and ability our youth have compared to our own at their age when they ask, "What is Masonry"? A few indefinite answers are not acceptable to them. They want to know true facts with the supporting evidence which they are entitled to receive. Masonry is not a secret organization although we have a few secrets to set us up as a fraternity. When a Mason is asked about Masonry by a non-Mason, regardless of age or sex, he should be willing and eager to tell that person anything he wants to know-so long as secrets are not revealed. The majority of Masons, when asked about Masonry, will not say much because they are afraid to talk. Most of our brethren need to be educated to talk freely, without revealing secrets, when asked about Masonry.

There are many organizations, shows, games, entertainments, etc. knocking at the doors of our youth, therefore he must make a choice as to the best use of his time. This is a world of priorities -no one can do everything he wishes. I hope we have taught them to spend their leisure time wisely and to affiliate with organizations that are run smoothly and efficiently by competent people with leadership ability.

What young people know is what they do what they are to be, they are now becoming. They are in their formative years and their minds are our most fertile soil. There is no such thing as uninfluenced youth. Bro. J. Edgar Hoover said the number one target of the Communist is our youth. One of the greatest potential forces in the world, for our nation and for our fraternity, is the minds of our young people.

All the younger generation really wants is a life of respectability built upon a sound foundation that can cope with the problems man has always faced. Masonry offers all of this-we have failed them and ourselves. The truest role of Freemasonry is to be of service to God, country and mankind. This is our role yesterday, today and in the future, for Freemasonry does not change. Outside the church, Masonry has more to offer the younger generation than any other organization.

Everything that Masonry and mankind can hope to achieve will depend upon the willingness of men and Masons to work actively on the "grass roots" level, with individual boys and girls. To Masons this should mean working with chapters of DeMolays, Bethels of Job's Daughters, and assemblies of Rainbow Girls to develop, by precept, association and example the mental attitude and moral fiber of our youth. How many times have Rainbow Girls and Job's Daughters begged for one Mason to attend their meeting so they could legally open for business? Next to the ministry of the gospel, what is the most honorable job a Mason can do? Could it be as a Dad or Advisor for a Masonic youth organization?

There are many bridges between the appendant youth chapters and the bodies of Masonry. As the bridges become stronger, each group will increase in strength and our civilization will come closer to fulfilling the vision and hope of a great kingdom of God on earth.

More than half of the DeMolays join the Masonic Lodge when they become of age. Many of them have become Grand Masters of Masonry-many have become famous in civilian life. Brethren, if we can sell the Rainbow Girls and Job's Daughters on Masonry, they will bring us many new members by canvassing their fathers, brothers and future husbands.

The younger generation is not interested in how much we know, not until they find out

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Mark Tracy Messerly	9/25/1975	Eric Arthur Christianson	9/22/2005	Taylor Michael McMuller	n 9/11/2014
James Garbett Miller	9/27/1973	Joseph David Barksdale	9/28/1983	Dashmesh Singh Khalsa	9/10/2015
Fred William Moore Jr PM	49/26/1974	Robert Curtis Hills PM	9/11/2008	Charles William Parker	9/15/2016
Bernard Louis Young	9/25/1975	Charles Alberto Castaneda	a 9/10/2009	Carl F Eschenbrenner	9/21/1972
James Eli Lewis	9/17/1998	Barlas Demirciler	9/8/2011	Nanik R. Chandiramani	9/15/1975
Jeffrey C. Takoushian	9/21/1999	John Wayne Jacoby	9/8/2011	Lucas Micheal Ruwe	9/26/2019
Jeffrey Vilas Morris	9/28/2000	Carlos Manuel Silva	9/13/2012	Brian David Zeman	9/16/2021
David Allen Deere	9/11/2003	Kenneth R. Von Hopf	9/11/2014		



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#### Birthdays are good for your health. Studies show those who have the most birthdays tend to live the longest



# Scottsdale #43 Masonic Lodge Building SPECIAL EVENT? - WE WELCOME RENTALS

The Lodge building is suitable for a variety of occasions Weddings, Dances, Bar or Bat Mitzvah Parties, Graduation Parties, Religious Life Milestones, Business Meetings. Kitchen Serving Facilities, Free Parking, Variable Effects Lighting, 2–70" HD TVs and an Overhead Projector, Groups up to 100 people. Contact the Secretary for details on cost and availability. Photos and bldg. diagram on the website: <u>http://scottsdalelodge43.com/</u> Call (480) 946-1072 for details and prices





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how much we care. They are not as interested in hearing us as they are in seeing us. They have a burning desire to find something on which to hang.

Several jurisdictions have Youth Committees with active, successful programs. These include Scholarship programs for youth. A few Grand Lodges and appendant bodies have booths at the State and County fairs which have been well received. They handed out pamphlets on what we can tell our friends about Freemasonry and appendant youth chapters. They felt the younger generation showed the greatest interest. Some jurisdictions sponsor such things as essay contests for youth. In Arkansas the "Alpha Foundation for Youth" has been organized with legal formalities to assure that gifts to it will be tax deductible. The purpose of the foundation is to promote Masonic youth chapters within the state. An appendant of the Foundation is the "One Hundred for DeMolay." Members of this group pay one hundred dollars (\$100) each year to the Foundation, the interest from which goes to support the DeMolay programs of Arkansas.

Public Masonic meetings such as family affairs, open installations, Masonic funerals, Cornerstone or Commemorative stone layings, Masonic dedications, etc., are a very necessary part of the successful progress of Masonry. These are our 'show windows.'

We can provide dollars for our youth organizations and we must do so in greater amounts than ever before. But the great, real need, my brethren, is not for one hundred dollars of your money-it is for one hundred hours of your time. You see if we become, by daily association, a part of their lives then we have every reasonable expectation that when they reach the years of maturity they will want to become a part of our heritage.

The number one problem of our Masonic Lodges and appendant youth chapters is the lack of adult leadership. The smallest of DeMolay chapters should have ten or more Advisory Council members who attend each chapter meeting. We should want to do all we can all of the time to encourage and guide young people. This is a part of the philosophy

#### of Masonry.

We must remember that our hopes for the perpetuation of Freemasonry, our ideals and philosophy, rest only in those who come to us voluntarily. These are prompted to come to us by having been favorably influenced by the good deeds and prestige of the fraternity and by their contacts with Masons. When youth programs or Masonic Lodges fail or drift it is because of a lack of leadership and support. One leader with a vision, enthusiasm and endurance can transform a Masonic youth organization or a Masonic Lodge.

We must cast our bread upon the waters by proving to our youth that we want to be part of them. In the years that follow they will want to be a part of us-they will want a portion of the heritage which Masonic ideals express.

The future of Masonry will become brighter and brighter if those who have come under the influence of Masonic youth appendant chapters should continue to bring to the Lodges of Masonry their youth, their inspiration and their vision.

Freemasonry will meet the challenge of the future. The greatest asset in Freemasonry is the spirit of friendship that exists between Freemasons in their relationships with one another and their attitude of thoughtfulness for the welfare of others.

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## **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 Peter James Orphanos**

Born7/27/1930Initiated11/19/1956Passed12/17/1956Raised1/21/1957Died12/20/2020



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.



## SCOTTSDALE MASONIC LODGE #43



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## **\*\* Fall Calendar of Events \*\***

September and bryond is published on the Lodge website: www.scottsdalelodge43.com

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

<u>There is also the Tuesday Morning Coffee and Donuts</u> <u>social gathering.</u>

## 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. <u>If</u> <u>you would like to attend Lodge</u>, contact the secretary Tom Burke @ 203-559-9504 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.

## 2022 LODGE TRUSTEES

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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**.