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- 2024–2026 Grand Editor

As we begin this new Masonic year, there is a renewed sense of energy and purpose in the air, and already we are seeing promising signs of growth and inspiration. Some truly impressive articles have been submitted by our younger brethren who are still making their way toward the sublime degree of Master Mason. Their dedication serves as a powerful reminder of the passion that first called each of us to the Craft. I've had the honor of laboring alongside some of the most devoted Freemasons I've known, and it has strengthened my own resolve. Take a moment to reflect—why do you continue to serve so faithfully? Why do we accept titles that demand more of our time, our energy, and our hearts? Whatever your reason, let it be a guidepost not only for yourself, but for those who follow. Share your journey. Teach the lessons you've learned. Help others understand the value of each task, each duty fulfilled with integrity and care. I look forward to seeing many of you across the state as we continue to demonstrate why Arizona stands as a true beacon of Masonic Light.

MWB Leigh Creighton
Editor-in-Chief

George Balady, PM
Grand Editor

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"The Masonic order is not a mere social organization but is composed of thinkers, philosophers, and mystics—men bound together by mutual aspirations to improve and ennoble humanity."

— The Secret Teachings of All Ages (1928),
Manly P. Hall, Section: "The Mysteries and Their Emissaries"



The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Arizona



Leigh Creighton
Grand Master 2025-2026
PO Box 2059
Gilbert, AZ, 85299

July 16, 2025

To the brethren of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Arizona,

It is my great privilege and honor to serve as your Grand Master of Masons in Arizona for the 2025-2026 year. I owe so much, to so many, for their love, friendship and support during this incredible journey. I am humbled by the trust you have placed in me and I will do my best to exceed your expectations.

I always knew that I would become a Mason at some point in my life. My father was a Mason and my uncle (my mother's brother) was a Mason. My mother was a multi-time Worthy Matron of the Order of Eastern Star. When I was stationed in the US Army in Recruiting Command as a Company Commander my two best recruiters were Masons as well as the supply sergeant. They introduced me to the brethren of Wadsworth Lodge No. 417 in Albany NY; I submitted a petition and was initiated, passed and raised there. Subsequently, I was transferred to Germany, then Kansas, then to Tucson where I affiliated with Tucson Lodge No. 4. The leadership of the lodge made a very intelligent decision and gave me something to do in the lodge so I was welcomed, put in the progressive line and the rest is history. I never thought I would be elevated to the position of Grand Master.

My theme this year is Freemasonry: A Way of Life and its foundation are the three principal tenets of Freemasonry, Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.

Brotherly Love is the very essence of our Craft. It calls us to cultivate harmony, kindness, and respect among our brethren and within the wider community. This love compels us to look beyond differences and to bind ourselves through empathy and fellowship.

Relief teaches us the true meaning of charity and compassion. It is through acts of support and assistance—whether to a distressed Brother, a family in need, or our communities—that we demonstrate the living heart of Masonry. Relief is not merely an ideal; it is an active commitment to easing the burdens of others.

Truth stands as the cornerstone of our moral and ethical conduct. We are called to live with honesty, integrity, and sincerity in all things—upholding the honor of our Lodge and ourselves. Truth guides our speech, our actions, and the way we fulfill our obligations.

There are many challenges before us. But in my travels around Arizona the last few years I see a recurring theme in all the lodges. The officers and brothers are working very hard to meet those challenges. Every day you can see on Facebook and other social media lodges conducting degrees, lodges providing relief for distressed brothers and families, lodges supporting our Job's Daughters Bethels, Rainbow Assemblies and DeMolay Chapters, lodges conducting funerals, lodges hosting barbeques, lodges fund raising, lodges giving away bicycles for readers, and so much more. The fraternity, as represented by the Blue Lodges in Arizona, is doing the things it is supposed to be doing.

We have assembled a great asset for our lodges and that is the brothers who have stepped up to serve the fraternity as District Deputy Grand Lecturers and District Deputy Grand Masters. Although their titles and roles have changed in the last year, the work they do is vital to the success of the lodges. They all have great experience in the craft and will maintain the highest standard for ritual performance. I have great confidence in the abilities of all the DDGLs and DDGMs and know they will all perform their duties admirably.

Also, in my travels I have presented short talks on the 3 R's for lodges. That is Recruit, Retain and Reinstate. I am not proposing that we should ask men to become Masons but I am proposing that each lodge must actively recruit. We now have a great tool in our tool box called Grandview that receives inquiries about Masonry from two sources which are then transmitted to the lodges for their action. Every lodge has a Prospect Manager and every lodge has a prospect group, whether it is called that or Seeker group or by some other name. This is how we recruit but still maintain the requirement of To Be One, Ask One.

Every lodge leadership team also should be constantly assessing their efforts at retaining members. Are we, as Masons, meeting the expectations of our new members? Are we delivering on the promise of making good men better? Are we conducting the activities that the brethren want? Do we have meaningful, instructive Masonic education? Do we have enjoyable social events? Are stated meetings boring recitations of committee reports or worthwhile opportunities for brethren to plan the future of the lodge and see ways to participate?

That leaves reinstate as the 3rd R – lodges should all have programs in place to contact those brothers who have been suspended for non-payment of dues (NSPD). This program is wide open – phone calls, text messages, emails, other social media contacts to find out what is keeping those brothers away.

The activities planned for this year are straightforward and intended to be fun, productive events. The Grand Line will be introduced at the Order of Eastern Star Annual Meeting on August 5. RW Eric Dupree, Senior Grand Warden, is hosting a Leadership Conference in Mesa for August 15-17. The Deputy Grand Master, RW Roger Biede is going to implement an inspection program, as required by the AMC, to assist lodges in their operations. In conjunction with the next projected Worthy Grand Matron,

Donna DiCola, we will host a picnic at Kiwanis Park in Tempe on October 25. You will see an announcement for a statewide Open House tentatively for March 21 and March 22 at which all lodges will be open to the public. My team is planning a trip to the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts for the week of April 12-16, 2026, which will include opening the Grand Lodge of Arizona in Boston, a day trip to Lexington and the Scottish Rite Museum there, a walk through the Freedom Trail in Boston, visit to Fenway Park and more. I am selling my Grand Master coin and some knives as a fund raiser for the youth groups, Job's Daughters, Rainbow Girls and DeMolay. Sales have gone very well so far and I ordered more coins, but the knives are almost gone, just 7 left as of today. Thank you all for your support of our youth groups – they are the future.

Lastly, my vision for the future of the Grand Lodge of Arizona is for it to be a relevant, preeminent, fraternal organization whose members reflect the integrity of our Masonic teachings. We embrace high ideals and principles and we must commit to accepting only honorable men into our fraternity. We must maintain high standards in our activities and rituals. We must guard the West gate diligently. We must invest in our youth with support for Job's Daughters, Rainbow girls and DeMolay boys.

The Grand Lodge is here to support and assist you, the brethren of Freemasonry. You may call upon any of the Grand Lodge officers for their presence at your events and if possible, they will be there. You may call upon me, of course, my calendar is full but flexible – usually the first to ask for my presence is the first to be accepted. As stated at the beginning of this letter - I am humbled by the trust you have placed in me and I will do my best to exceed your expectations.

Fraternally,



Leigh Creighton

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Grand Master 2025-2026
Grand Lodge of F. & A.M. of Arizona



Masonry in **ARIZONA**



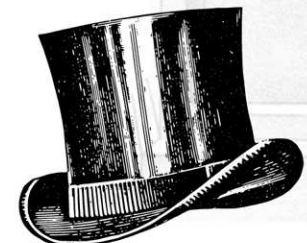
Anáhuac No. 81 - Our brethren meeting for their July Stated Meeting.

Meeting

Glendale No. 23 -
Congratulations
Brother Cribbs on
being raised to the
Sublime Degree of
Master Mason.



Eloy No. 46 - Hosting
their July Stated
Meeting.





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Oriental No. 20 -
Congratulations to
Brother Louis on
advancing to the degree
of Fellowcraft!

Phoenicia No. 58 -
Poker Night at Cheers
Tavern

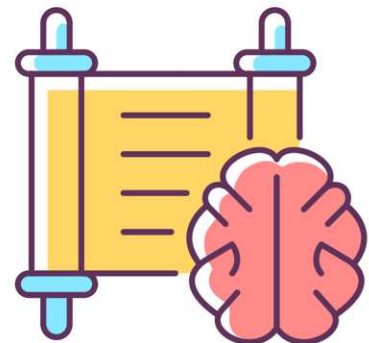


Oasis No. 52 - Let's
welcome our newest
fellowcraft, Bro. Chris!
With M.:W.:B.: Leigh
Creighton, Grand
Master, and M.:W.:B.:
Jager, P.:G.:M.: in the
house!

TRAVELING MAN



Over the weekend of July 26th, 2025, Worshipful Brothers David Fierro, PM of Montezuma No. 35 and Grand Lecturer, and Jamie Lamb, PM of Ascension No. 89, had the honor of presenting at South Pasadena No. 290 during their triennial MasonicCon. The event welcomed a remarkable array of speakers—authors, publishers, and esteemed Past Masters—each contributing to an atmosphere rich in Masonic Light, education, and brotherly fellowship. Events like these serve as a powerful reminder of the excitement and inspiration that come from gathering with Brethren who remain passionate about the Craft's deeper teachings.



TRAVELING MAN



Arizona Masonry continues to distinguish itself with an abundance of dedicated minds who carry the torch of Masonic knowledge. Worshipful Brother David Fierro consistently brings education to the forefront, while Worshipful Brother Jamie Lamb is not only revitalizing Masonic learning but introducing fresh, innovative ideas. From the reflective insights of Worshipful Brother Jean-Claude Malterre, to the historical perspectives of Most Worshipful Brother Bill Gerard, and the thoughtful instruction of Illustrious Brother Larry Levine, every voice adds depth to our collective journey. Worshipful Brother Nathan Schick, PM of Glendale No. 23, published a thought-provoking book last year, and Brother Francis Fritz is known for his dynamic and engaging presentations. Most Worshipful Brother Tom Booker, Past Grand Master,

continues to offer profound wisdom—his guidance remains a treasured resource for those wise enough to listen. As highlighted in our July issue by an inspiring article from an Entered Apprentice, the gift of Light can come from any degree. What matters is the courage to share it. We are truly in a golden age of Arizona Masonry, and the future looks bright.



NACHO GAME NIGHT

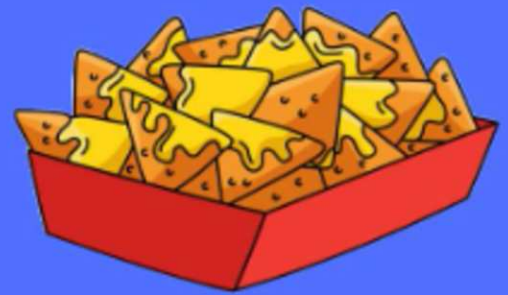
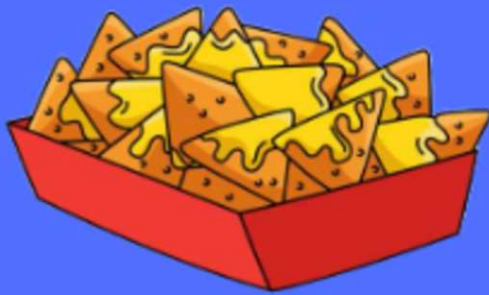
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6:00pm

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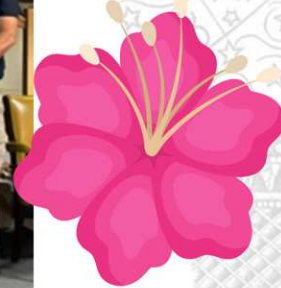


Eloy Lodge #46

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Phoenicia No. 58 -
Hawaiian Shirt Night



Anáhuac No. 81 - First
degree practice.



Eloy No. 46 and Pinal
No. 30 - hosted a joint
degree for our newly
raised brother Jeff.
R.:W.:B.: Roger Biede,
Deputy Grand Master, &
R.:W.:B.: Eric Dupree,
Senior Grand Warden
visiting!



THE GRAND LODGE TRIAL MASTERS

M.:W.:B.: DAVE LUEBKE, P.:G.:M.:
CHAIRMAN – TRIAL MASTERS



SEEKING COUNSELS



Brethren,

Masonic trials should be the least of our concerns, peace and harmony should always prevail. Unfortunately, from time to time a difference of opinion arises and the only solution is a trial. When this occurs the Grand Lodge Trial Masters Committee must be ready.

To be ready not only requires an understanding of the AMC but and having enough Trained Trial Masters ready but we must also have a cadre of Brothers ready to serve as counsels for either the prosecution or the defense.

Our committee is currently searching for Brothers interested in serving as counsels. Brethren serving in this capacity do not need to be attorneys, though that experience would help. Successful trial counsels should:

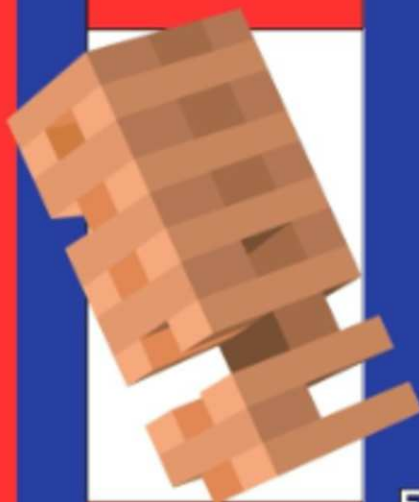
- Have experience speaking in public
- Be familiar with the A.M.C. especially Article IX and Sections 17 & Sec. 18
- Be familiar with our rituals, including the Installation Ceremony
- Be detail oriented

While we should all strive to work together to have no trials, our jurisdiction tends to have three or four each Masonic Year, so serving as a counsel will have minimal interference on your personal schedule.

If you are ready to volunteer your services or if you would like more information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Dave Luebke, P.:G.:M.:
Chairman – Trial Masters
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THE ENDURANCE OF LIGHT: FREEMASONRY UNDER FIRE

*A Masonic Education Lecture and Discussion Guide Based on Historical
Accounts from the Scarlet Book of Free Masonry*

BRO. LOGAN LAKE, E.A., TUCSON LODGE NO. 4 F&AM

Introduction

Brethren, we gather not just to reflect on ritual or brotherly fellowship, but to remember the cost of Masonic light in the face of darkness. The book I bring to your attention is an 1888 publication titled the Scarlet Book of Free Masonry, authored by M.W. Redding. It offers thrilling, sobering, and emotional accounts of the persecution endured by our Masonic forebears. These pages recount torture, religious opposition, and state suppression, yet through it all shines the unquenchable light of our Craft. Let us explore this together—not just as history, but as inspiration.

Section I: Historical Background

The Scarlet Book of Free Masonry was published in 1888 by Redding & Co., Masonic Publishers. It is an ambitious volume that combines Masonic philosophy, historical narrative, and vivid illustrations. Among its most impactful stories are the tortures suffered by Brother Coustos at the hands of the Inquisition, and the plots of the Jesuits against the Craft in Paraguay. This book does not simply catalogue events. It raises timeless questions: What does it mean to stand for truth? How do we respond to persecution? And what lessons lie in the suffering of the faithful?

Section II: Image & Reflection

Image 1: Jesuits Plotting the Destruction of Freemasons in Paraguay

Source: Scarlet Book of Free Masonry (1888)

This hand-colored engraving shows Jesuits secretly conspiring to suppress Freemasonry in South America. It is a reminder that the Light we preserve today was once seen as a threat to authoritarianism and theocratic power. “The enemies of truth may cloak themselves in robes of piety, but the torch of Masonic knowledge exposes falsehood in all forms.”



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Image 2: Coustos Undergoing Torture

Source: Scarlet Book of Free Masonry (1888)

This stark black-and-white engraving shows a brother enduring horrific torture for his affiliation with the Craft. Note the words carved into the wooden pulpit at the right: “FOR THE GLORY OF GOD.” The irony is tragic, and yet this is precisely why we must preserve the true spirit of brotherly love, relief, and truth.

John Coustos a Swiss born, Freemason and member of the British Lodge in Lisbon Portugal, and in 1738, the same year Pope Clement XII banned Freemasonry, he was arrested. His story was published years later, describing the pain he endured for his Masonic affiliation. “The Sufferings of John Coustos, for Freemasonry (1746) He survived, but the scars he bore are now a part of our collective legacy.

Even the cover of this book tells a story, The symbols engraved on its surface the sword, the compasses, the cross are more than decorations, they are emblems of honor, persecution, sacrifice, and truth. “Let us remember that we are the custodians of a truth once punished with the lash.”

- What are we doing today to defend liberty of thought and freedom of conscience?
- Would we stand with the same integrity if tested by fire or blade?
- Do we recognize that the Masonic journey is not only one of internal illumination but sometimes of public courage?

Let the sufferings of Coustos and the schemes of his persecutors remind us that Masonry, though symbolized by the square and compass, is built upon the unyielding stones of sacrifice, truth, and brotherhood.

The Message of Martyrdom:

So why do these stories matter? Because they mirror the allegory, we all share: The legend of Hiram Abiff. The upright man slain for guarding truth. The builder who would not betray the secret. The martyr like Jacques de Molay, Grand Master of the Knights Templar. These stories remind us that being a Mason means standing for principle even when it costs us. While we may not face torture or exile, we do face a world in need of more builders. Men

who uphold justice, integrity, and brotherly love when the world leans toward cynicism and division.

Modern Reflections:

Today, being a Masonic martyr isn't about blood, it's about resolve. It's choosing what's right over what's easy. It's standing for truth, quietly and consistently, in our homes, workplaces, and communities. So, I ask you, what legacy are we leaving behind? Will we be remembered as defenders of light in a darkened age? Or will our tools of character lie buried in forgetfulness?

Section III: Key Quotes from the Book

- “The Masons have been hunted down and persecuted for daring to think freely, to worship rightly, and to unite in brotherhood.”
- “When ignorance and dogma hold power, Light becomes a crime.”
- “Every true Mason is a torchbearer in a darkened world.”

Section IV: Discussion Questions for Lodge Education

1. What emotions do the images in the Scarlet Book provoke in you as a Mason?
2. What parallels can we draw between historical persecution of Masons and modern challenges to free thought and fraternity?
3. How can we ensure that our Lodge remains a sanctuary for truth and a beacon for society?
4. What responsibilities do we inherit from Brothers like Coustos?
5. In what ways might Masonry still be “under fire” today?

Closing Charge

Brethren, let us never take for granted the freedoms we enjoy as Masons today. Let us labor with gratitude for the sacrifices of those before us. The stories in this book are not relics—they are reminders. Every time we open a Lodge, raise a brother, or whisper a word of encouragement, we reaffirm a legacy built not just on stone, but on suffering, resilience, and faith. Let this be more than a history lesson — let it be a call to vigilance, virtue, and valor.

So mote it be.

BRO. LOGAN LAKE, E.A., TUCSON LODGE NO. 4 F&AM

Appendix: Attachments for Presentation

- Jesuits Plotting the Destruction of Freemasons in Paraguay (Color Illustration)
- Coustos Undergoing Torture (Black & White Engraving)

White River No. 62 - Hosted their Hawaiian Night!



Oriental No. 20 - with Prometheus No. 87 to congratulate Br Roberto on his remarkable achievement of being raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason



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HON. JOSEPH E. LEININGER, 32° KCCH
HON. COSMO MAGLIOZZI, 32° KCCH
HON. RONALD D. WAYNE, 32° KCCH

THE FOLLOWING BRETHREN HAVE BEEN ELECTED TO RECEIVE THE 32°,
KNIGHT COMMANDER OF THE COURT OF HONOUR, FOR THE 2025
BIENNIAL

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BRO. JON M. SCHMIDT, 32°



WHY RITUAL ALONE WILL EMPTY THE LODGE

BY: MASONICFIND

Ritual is the heartbeat of Freemasonry, but it cannot be its entire body.

A Lodge that relies solely on ritual work for its energy and engagement may execute every line with precision ... and still find itself performing to empty seats.

Why? Because ritual without relationship is hollow.

The memorized word means little if it doesn't lead to shared experience. Brothers may be impressed by a flawless degree, but they stay for the conversations that follow. They show up for the sense of belonging, the challenge of growth, and the feeling that their presence matters beyond a well-timed entrance or exit.

When ritual becomes routine, the Lodge risks becoming a stage, not a sanctuary. A place where performance is prized over participation.

But the Craft was never meant to be observed; it was meant to be live.

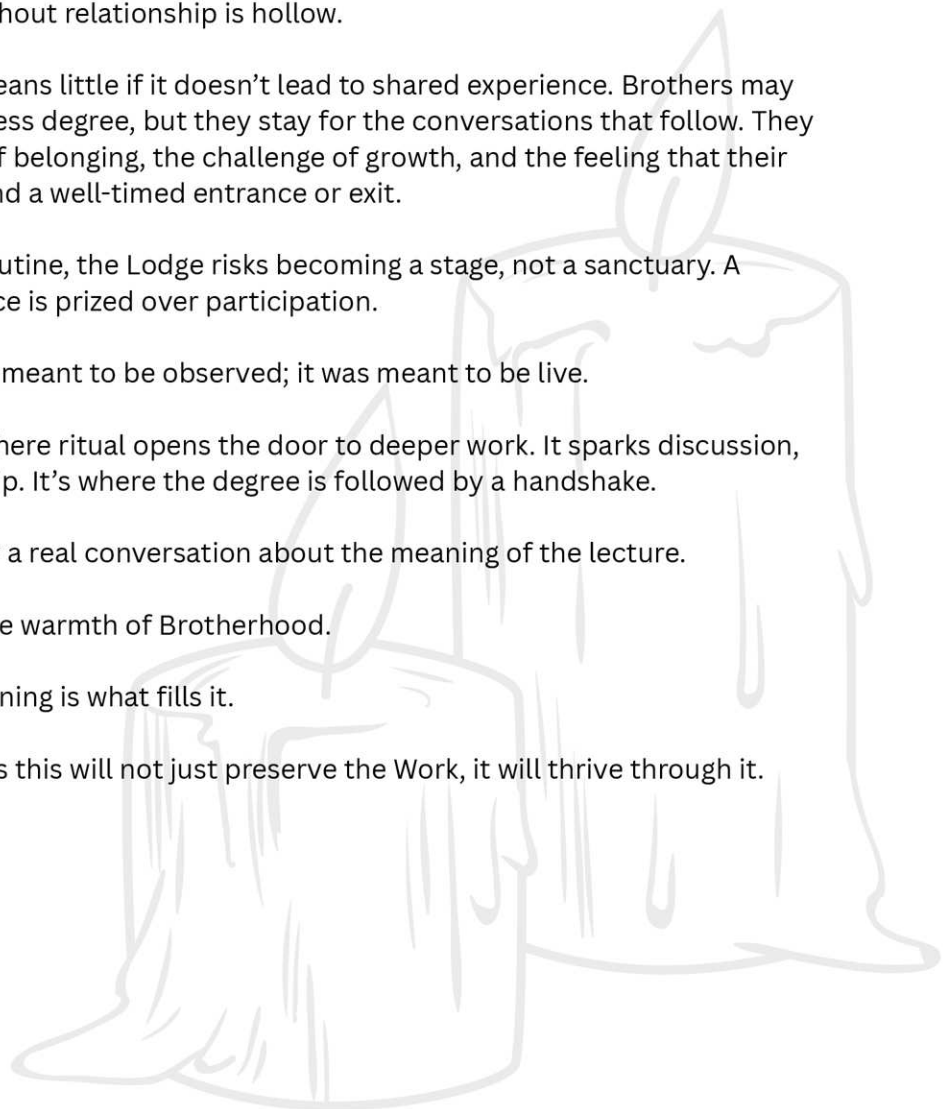
A strong Lodge is one where ritual opens the door to deeper work. It sparks discussion, reflection, and fellowship. It's where the degree is followed by a handshake.

The lecture, followed by a real conversation about the meaning of the lecture.

The gavel's sound, by the warmth of Brotherhood.

Ritual is the vessel. Meaning is what fills it.

A Lodge that remembers this will not just preserve the Work, it will thrive through it.



Phoenix Council #4 Cryptic Masons

Summer Interactive Education

The Three Lesser Lights

In Freemasonry, the three lesser lights represent the Sun, Moon, and the Worshipful Master. These lights are symbolically arranged in a triangle around the altar, with each representing a different aspect of governance and light. The Sun, placed in the East, represents the rising sun and the source of light, the Moon, in the South, symbolizes the moon's governing influence, and the Worshipful Master, in the West, symbolizes the master of the lodge and his role in guiding and governing.



Bring your version of the "Three lesser Lights" and be ready to discuss. The three Lights can be constructed with any material best fit that will benefit you as a York Rite Mason and how it will elevate and enhance your masonic Journey.

This Event is for York Rite Masons Only

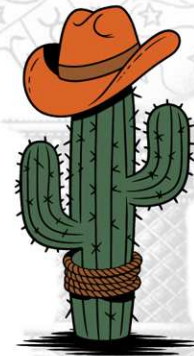
345 W. Monroe Street,
Phoenix, AZ 85003
Saturday, August 23, 2025
10AM Education
12PM Lunch and Fellowship

RSVP by August 20th
Companion Cosmo Magliozzi
cmagliozzi@cox.net

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White River No. 62 -
Hosting an Entered
Apprentice Degree.

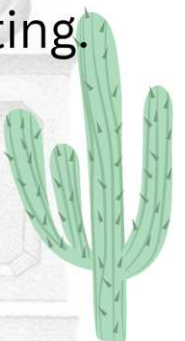


Prometheus No. 87 -
hosting W.:B.: Steve
Bracety, Junior Grand
Deacon on his First Official
Visit.

Additionally,
R.:W.:B.: James Xie Junior
Grand Warden and W.:B.:
Reed Houge Senior Grand
Deacon came out.



Oriental No. 20 -
Hosting their July
Stated Meeting.





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Games



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40TH ANNUAL BILL FAIN MEMORIAL OUTDOOR DEGREE

CALLING ALL MASTER MASONS!

**YOU ARE INVITED!!!!
AZTLAN LODGE #1
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DEGREE IN ARIZONA!**

Lodge Opens: 10:00am
Western Attire & Hats
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Registration Table Opens at 8:00a
(\$50.00 Registration fee)

Pay at the Door or Mail in.

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SEPTEMBER 27, 2025

DISPENSATION PENDING

SOUTHEASTERN ARIZONA OUTDOOR MASTER MASON DEGREE

Saturday – September 20, 2025 – 10:00 AM

King Solomon TL #5, Willcox TL #10, Perfect Ashlar TL #12, Safford TL #16,
Huachuca #53, San Pedro Lodge #55, Camp Stone #77 and The Knights of Cochise
are hosting the Annual Southeastern Arizona Outdoor Master Mason Degree
at the Amerind Ranch in Texas Canyon, Arizona.



Mail completed form & check
to: San Pedro Lodge No.55
Att: Bob Richards, Secretary
6613 East Via Algardi
Tucson, Arizona 85750
rc-richards@msn.com
520-241-0438

Directions:
I – 10 East from Tucson
Thru Benson toward Willcox
Turn ½ mile after mile post 318
Exit: Dragoon Road Exit 318
Turn right, around curve, 2nd left
Enter Amerind Foundation
follows signs to Tyler
Google Maps: Amerind Museum

The pre-registration fee is \$45.00 which includes a brisket lunch after the degree.

Walk-ons are welcome and the fee is \$50.00 but with no guarantee for lunch.

Southeastern Arizona Outdoor Master Mason Degree

Date: Saturday - September 20, 2025 - 10:00AM **Location:** Amerind Ranch in Texas Canyon, AZ
*** 2025 Lodge Dues card required * BYOC – Bring Your Own Chair Ladies Museum Tour (2hrs)**

Name (please print): _____

Address: _____ ☐ Lady is coming (\$10 Lunch)

Check for head count. Museum free

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Lodge Name & Number: _____

RSVP - Cutoff date for pre-register is Friday September 12, 2025



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!

MICHAEL K. MOSELEY, U.S.A.F.

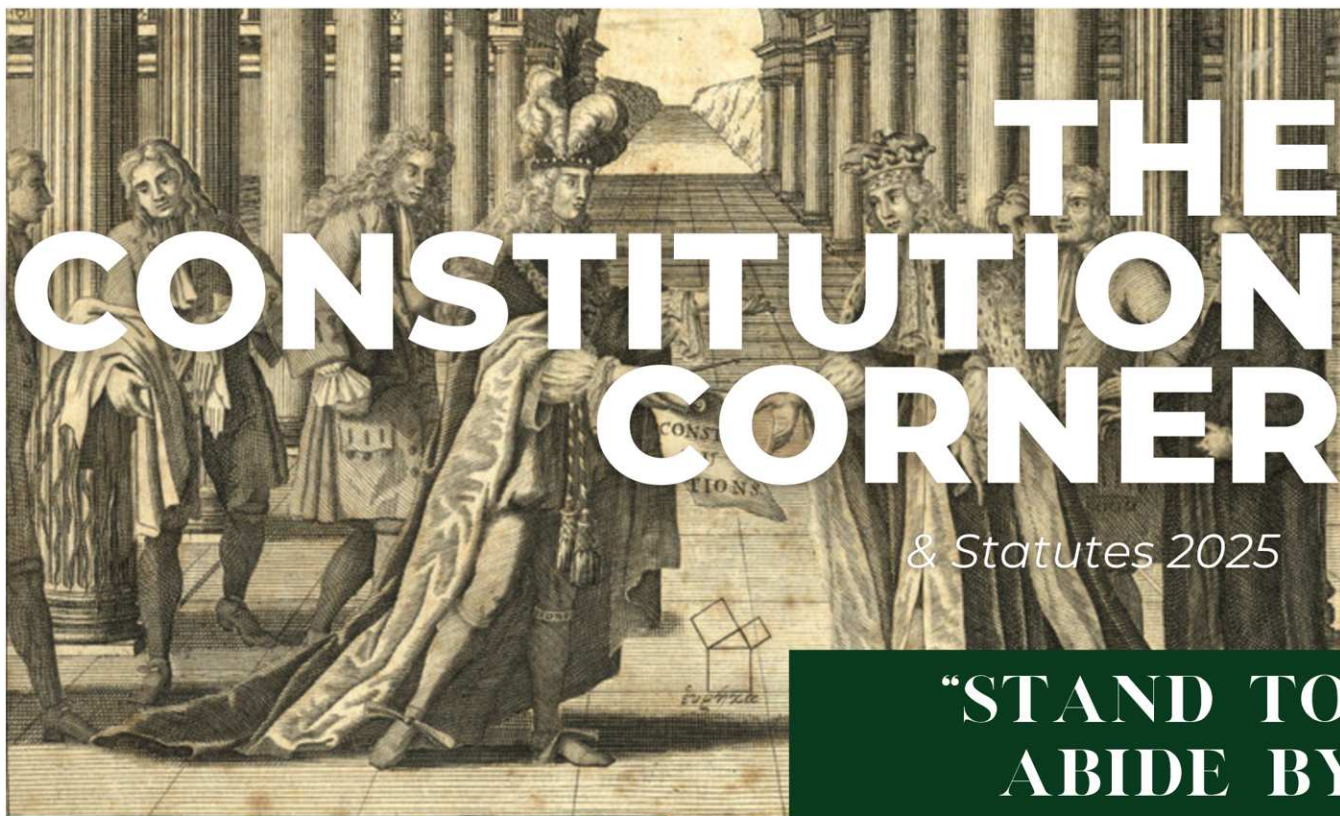
I served in the United States Air Force from August 1966 to August 1970. I was in Basic Training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas for six weeks. I then went to Aircraft Electrician technical school at Chanute Air Force Base in Rantoul, Illinois for 5 months. The remainder of my tour was at the "Twin Bases" Bentwaters and Woodbridge Royal Airforce Bases near Ipswich, England. From Bentwaters, I also was on various temporary duty assignments at Wheelus Air Force Base in Libya, North Africa, Zweibrucken Royal Canadian Air Force Base in Germany, Torrejón Air Force Base in Spain, and Incirlik Air Force Base in Turkey.

I was 19 years old when I arrived at Bentwaters. Then, Bentwaters was home for the 81st Tactical Fighter Wing composed of the 78th, 91st, and 92nd fighter squadrons. I was in the 81st Field Maintenance Squadron electric shop supporting 75 F-4C and F-4D fighter aircraft in those three squadrons. We also supported a T-39 Sabreliner Executive aircraft, a C-47 Skytrain Transport aircraft and one HH-43B rescue helicopter. 19 years old and there I was working on multi-million dollar aircraft!

Being 19, and "ten feet tall and bulletproof" I soon learned that I wasn't all that I thought I was. The benefit of my being in the United States Air Force was that it not only gave me a career that I could also use in civilian life but made a man out of a kid. I learned the value of being respectful and the ability to effectively communicate and work with my peers from many other walks of life. If I had it to do over again, I'd do it all the same way. The Air Force gave me a firm foundation on which to build my life. I left the Air Force in August 1970 as an E-4 Sergeant.

I am a member of Peoria Lodge #31 and serve as the Mentoring Committee Chairman and Lodge Education Officer. I am also a Past Master of Marion Lodge #6 in Marion, Iowa in which I also serve as Mentoring Committee Chairman and Lodge Education Officer. I belong to Marion Chapter #10 Royal Arch Masons (Past High Priest) in Marion, Iowa, Palestine Council #27 Royal and Select Masters in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Apollo Commandery #26 Knights Templar in Cedar Rapids, Cedar Rapids Valley Scottish Rite, Phoenix Valley Scottish Rite, member of York Rite College #37 in Iowa and El Kahir Shrine in Hiawatha, Iowa currently serving as Captain of the El Kahir Foot Patrol and part-time network administrator.





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**“STAND TO &
ABIDE BY”..**

§6-4.5.3 Constitutions and Proceedings.

The Secretary shall keep a current printed copy of the Constitution and Statutes of the Grand Lodge, which may from time to time be published, together with all the Proceedings thereof as promulgated by its order.



Thoughts?

The Lodge Secretary must always have the latest printed version of the Grand Lodge's rules and official records, including any updates the Grand Lodge publishes.

It will still be available on Grandview and you can request digital copies from your lodge Secretary.

What does this mean?

The Secretary is required to maintain an up-to-date printed edition of the Grand Lodge Constitution and Statutes, including all officially issued Proceedings, as directed by the Grand Lodge.

MASONIC NEWS

AROUND
ARIZONA

APPENDANT & CONCORDANT BODIES

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

Appendant bodies
refer to organizations
that may require
Masonic affiliation
but have their own
teachings.

Concordant bodies
refer to Masonic
organizations that
continue that Hiramite
legend of the first
three degrees



The Phoenix Scottish Rite
volunteers at St. Mary's Food Bank
in Phx, Az twice a month and
welcome the Craft to join. See the
Valley Facebook page for details.

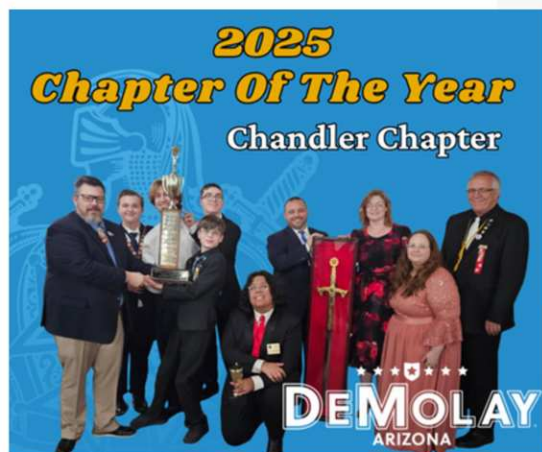


For more information regarding any particular concordant or
appendant bodies:



Phoenix Chapter No. 306, National Sojourner's Inc.

Congratulations to all the newly initiated Sojourner's
and newly elected officers!



Congratulations to Chandler Chapter,
Order of DeMolay!

Brotherly love, Relief, & Truth

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Advertising opportunities

Dear Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Arizona

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge F & A.M. of Arizona invites you to partner with us in reaching a distinguished audience of Freemasons and their communities. Through our monthly newsletter and key annual events, we offer unique opportunities for businesses and organizations to connect with Masonic members across Arizona.

Advertising Opportunities

1. Monthly Copper Post Advertising

Reach over 4,000 members monthly through our digital newsletter.

Ad Formats and Pricing:

Full-Page Ad: \$500 per month

Half-Page Ad: \$300 per month

Quarter-Page Ad: \$150 per month

Banner Ad: \$100 per month

Discounts:

3-Month Package: 10% discount

6-Month Package: 15% discount

12-Month Package: 20% discount

Annual Event Marketing Opportunities

1. Annual Communication

Our most significant event of the year, attended by over 300 Masonic leaders and members.

Sponsorship Levels:

Platinum Sponsor: \$3,000 (Includes full-page ad in the event program, logo on event signage, and a dedicated email blast)

Gold Sponsor: \$2,000 (Includes half-page ad in the event program and logo on event signage)

Silver Sponsor: \$1,000 (Includes quarter-page ad in the event program and logo on event signage)

Bronze Sponsor: \$750 (Includes logo on event signage) Exhibitor Booth: Standard Booth: \$100
Premium Booth: \$250 (Includes prime location and additional signage)

2. Leadership Conference

A targeted event focused on developing Masonic leaders, attracting 150 attendees.

Sponsorship Levels:

Gold Sponsor: \$1,500 (Includes half-page ad in the event program and logo on event signage)
Silver Sponsor: \$1,000 (Includes quarter-page ad in the event program and logo on event signage)
Bronze Sponsor: \$500 (Includes logo on event signage)

Exhibitor Booth:

Standard Booth: \$75
Premium Booth: \$150 (Includes prime location and additional signage)

3. Masonicon

A unique conference focusing on Masonic education and knowledge-sharing, drawing 150 attendees.

Sponsorship Levels:

Gold Sponsor: \$2,000 (Includes half-page ad in the event program and logo on event signage)
Silver Sponsor: \$1,250 (Includes quarter-page ad in the event program and logo on event signage)
Bronze Sponsor: \$800 (Includes logo on event signage)

Exhibitor Booth:

Standard Booth: \$75
Premium Booth: \$150 (Includes prime location and additional signage)
Combined Marketing Packages

For maximum exposure, consider combining your marketing efforts across our newsletter and annual events.

Package A:

Newsletter (Full-Page Ad for 12 Months)
Platinum Sponsorship at Annual Meeting
Gold Sponsorship at Leadership Conference
Gold Sponsorship at Masonicon
Total: \$5,000 (\$4500 savings)

Package B:

Newsletter (Half-Page Ad for 6 Months)
Gold Sponsorship at Annual Communication
Silver Sponsorship at Leadership Conference
Silver Sponsorship at Masonicon
Total: \$3,500 (Save \$1,550)

Package C:

Newsletter (Quarter-Page Ad for 6 Months)
Silver Sponsorship at Annual Meeting Bronze
Sponsorship at Leadership Conference Bronze
Sponsorship at Masonicon

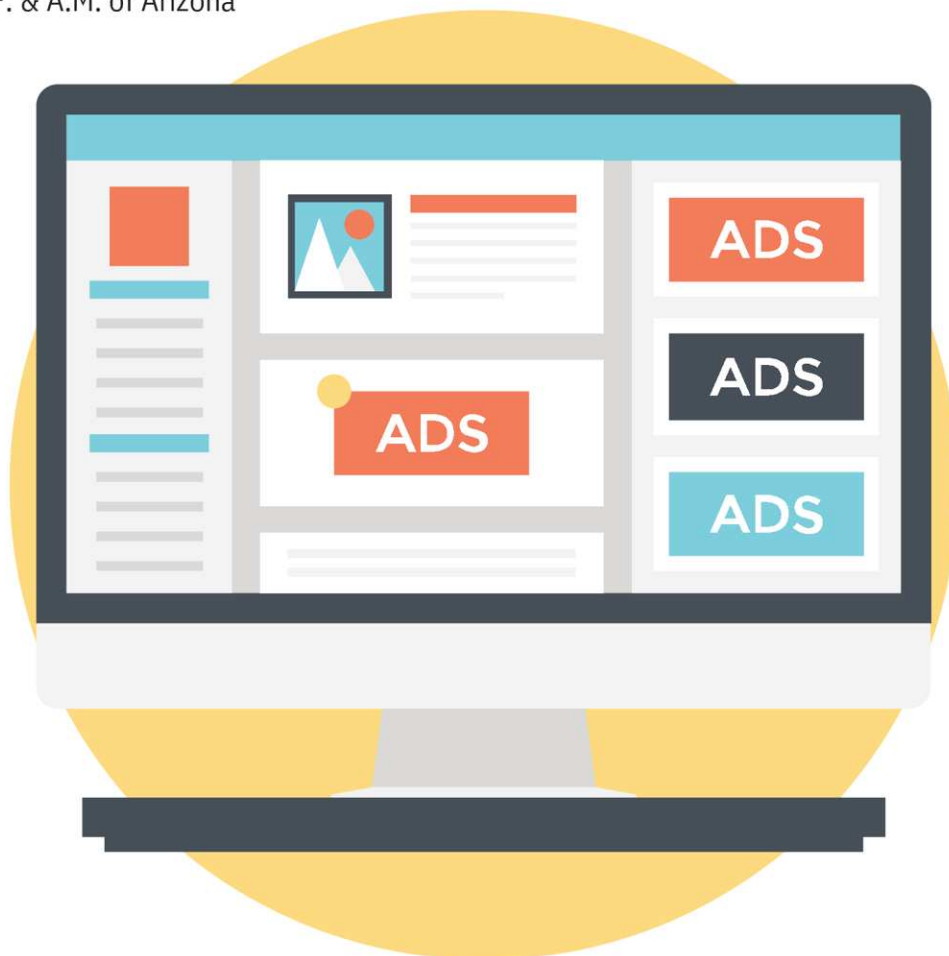
Total: \$2,000 (Save \$650)

Please contact R.Biede@azmasons.org or editor@azmasons.org for more information or to take advantage of this great opportunity.

Fraternally & Sincerely

Roger Biede III

Roger C. Biede III
Deputy Grand Master, 2025-2026
Grand Lodge of F. & A.M. of Arizona





ARIZONA LODGE

MEETINGS

NORTHERN ARIZONA

Chalcedony No. 6 - Second Thursday

<https://www.facebook.com/ChalcedonyLodge6>

<https://holbrooklodge6.org>

7:30 pm Stated Meeting

Flagstaff No. 7 - First Thursday

[https://www.facebook.com/Flagstaff-Masonic-Lodge-7-](https://www.facebook.com/Flagstaff-Masonic-Lodge-7-707047839324640)

[707047839324640](https://www.facebook.com/Flagstaff-Masonic-Lodge-7-707047839324640)

<https://flagstaff7.org>

7:30 pm Stated Meeting

Central Arizona No. 14 - Second Wednesday

www.facebook.com/CentralAZLodge14

<http://www.arizonafreemasons.com>

7:30 pm Stated Meeting

White River No. 62 - Second Tuesday

www.facebook.com/WhiteRiver62

<https://www.whiteriverlodge62.org>

7:00 pm Stated Meeting

Sy Harrison No. 70 - Second Tuesday

<https://www.facebook.com/SyHarrisonMaster/>

7:00 pm Stated Meeting

Aztlan No. 1 - Second Tuesday

www.facebook.com/AztlanLodge

<https://www.aztlanlodge.org>

7:30 pm Stated Meeting

Havasus No. 64 - Second Tuesday

www.facebook.com/HavasusLodge

<https://www.havasumasoniclodge.com>

7:00 pm Stated Meeting

Williams - Grand Canyon No. 38 - Second Wednesday

[https://www.facebook.com/Grand-Canyon-Lodge-38-](https://www.facebook.com/Grand-Canyon-Lodge-38-Williams-AZ-2069618369937681)

[Williams-AZ-2069618369937681](https://www.facebook.com/Grand-Canyon-Lodge-38-Williams-AZ-2069618369937681)

7:30 pm Stated Meeting



ARIZONA LODGE

MEETINGS

WEST VALLEY (PHOENIX, ARIZONA)

East Valley (Phoenix, Arizona)

Oriental Lodge No. 20 - First Tuesday

www.facebook.com/Oriental20

<http://oriental20.com>

7:00 pm Stated Meeting

Camelback Daylight No. 75 - First Saturday

www.facebook.com/camelback.daylight

10:00 am Stated Meeting

Prometheus Lodge No. 87 - First Wednesday

<https://www.facebook.com/Prometheuslodge87>

<https://www.prometheus87.com/>

7:00pm Stated Meeting

Apache Lodge No. 69 - Second Thursday

<https://apachelodge69.com>

7:00 pm Stated Meeting

Chandler-Thunderbird No. 15 Second Tuesday

www.facebook.com/ChandlerThunderbird

<https://chandlerthunderbird15.org>

7:00 pm Stated Meeting

Acacia No. 42 - First Tuesday

www.facebook.com/AcaciaXLII

<https://www.instagram.com/acaciaxlii/>

<https://www.acacia42.com>

7:30 pm Stated Meeting

Peoria No. 31 - First Tuesday

www.facebook.com/FreemasonsPeoriaLodge31

<https://www.peoria31.com>

*Currently Meeting at the Valley of Phoenix Scottish Rite

7:00pm Stated Meeting

Sun City No. 72 - Second Tuesday

<https://www.facebook.com/suncitylodge72>

<http://suncitymasoniclodgeno72.com/>

7:00 pm Stated Meeting

Glendale No. 23 - First Thursday

www.facebook.com/glendaleaz23

<https://www.glendaleaz23.com>

7:00 pm Stated Meeting



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MEETINGS

METRO PHOENIX (ARIZONA)

Arizona Lodge No. 2 - First Tuesday

www.facebook.com/ArizonaLodge2

www.azlodge2.org

7:00 pm Stated Meeting

PVST No. 29 - First Wednesday

<https://www.facebook.com/pvst29>

<http://pvst29.org/>

7:30 pm Stated Meeting

Scottsdale No. 43 - First Thursday

www.facebook.com/scottsdalemasoniclodge

www.scottsdalelodge43.com

7:00 pm Stated Meeting

Montezuma No. 35 - First Thursday

<https://www.facebook.com/montezumalodge>

7:00 pm Stated Meeting

Wayfarer No. 50 - Second Tuesday

www.facebook.com/wayfarers50

<https://www.wayfarers50.org>

7:00 pm Stated Meeting

Phoenicia No. 58 - Second Tuesday

www.facebook.com/Phoenicia58

<https://phoenicia58.org>

7:00 pm Stated Meeting

Sahuaro No. 45 - Second Wednesday

[www.facebook.com/groups/Sahuaro-](http://www.facebook.com/groups/Sahuaro-Lodge-45-107142687586605)

[Lodge-45-107142687586605](http://www.facebook.com/groups/Sahuaro-Lodge-45-107142687586605)

7:00 pm Stated Meeting

El Quixote No. 83 - Second Wednesday

[https://www.facebook.com/groups/elqui](https://www.facebook.com/groups/elquixote83)

[xote83](https://www.facebook.com/groups/elquixote83)

7:00 pm Stated Meeting

Arizona Sunrise No. 88 - Third Saturday

10:00 am Stated Meeting

**Ascension No. 89 - Third Monday

<https://www.facebook.com/ascensionlod>

[geaz](https://www.facebook.com/ascensionlod)

6:30 pm Stated Meeting

Pioneer No. 82 - Third Monday

<https://www.facebook.com/pioneermaso>

[ns](https://www.facebook.com/pioneermaso)

7:00 pm Stated Meeting

Hunters Paradise No. 85 - Fourth Monday

[https://www.facebook.com/HuntersPara](https://www.facebook.com/HuntersParadise85)

[dise85](https://www.facebook.com/HuntersParadise85)

<https://www.hp85.org>

7:00 pm Stated Meeting



ARIZONA LODGE

MEETINGS

SOUTHERN ARIZONA

San Pedro No. 55 - Fourth Monday

www.facebook.com/groups/sanpedro55
<https://sanpedro55.com/>
7:00 pm Stated Meeting

Camp Stone No. 77 - Second Saturday

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/255246284490966>
<https://camp-stone-77.square.site/>
9:30 am Stated Meeting



King Solomon No. 5 - First Monday

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/King%20Solomon%20Masonic%20Lodge%205/852903704763254/>
<https://tombstonemasons.com>
7:00 pm Stated Meeting

Huachuca Lodge No. 53 - First Wednesday

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/153859584687195/>
<https://www.huachuca53.org>
7:00 pm Stated Meeting

Nogales No. 11 - Second Wednesday

<https://www.nogaleslodge11.com>
7:30 pm Stated Meeting

Willcox No. 10 - Second Thursday

7:00 pm Stated Meeting

Perfect Ashlar No. 12 - First Thursday

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1260581197303908>
7:00 pm Stated Meeting



ARIZONA LODGE

MEETINGS

Need to find a Lodge near you?

To find information on Arizona masonic lodges near you visit the [Grand Lodge Locator](#) on the [Grand Lodge of Arizona website!](#)



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Safford No. 16 - First Tuesday

<https://www.facebook.com/Safford-Lodge-16-Freemasons-of-Arizona-364043271063618/>

<http://safford16.com/>

7:00 pm .Stated Meeting

Pinal Lodge No. 30 - First Thursday

www.facebook.com/pinallodge30

7:00 pm Stated Meeting

Yuma No. 17 - Second Thursday

www.facebook.com/yumamasons

<https://www.yumalodge17.org/>

7:00 pm Stated Meeting

White Mountain No. 3 - Second Saturday

<https://www.facebook.com/whitemountainlodge3/>

10:00 am Stated Meeting

Gila Valley Lodge No. 9 - Monday

[on or before full moon](#)

www.facebook.com/gilavalley9

<https://www.gilavalleylodge9.com>

7:00 pm Stated Meeting

Eloy Lodge No. 46 - Third Thursday

7:00 pm Stated Meeting



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MEETINGS

TUCSON ARIZONA REGION

Marion McDaniel No. 56 - First Monday

www.facebook.com/groups/MarionMcDaniel56

<https://mm56.org/>

7:30 pm Stated Meeting

Jerusalem Daylight No. 66 - Second Saturday

<https://www.facebook.com/jerusalemdaylightlodge66>

10:00 am Stated Meeting

**Adobe No. 41 - First Tuesday

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/413707212136698/>

<https://www.adobelodge41.com>

6:30 pm Stated Meeting

Aaron No. 49 - First Wednesday

www.facebook.com/aaronlodge

<http://www.aaronlodge49.com>

7:30 pm Stated Meeting

Tucson No. 4 - First Wednesday

www.facebook.com/groups/23323535675

<http://www.tucsonlodge4.org/untitled2.html>

7:00 pm Stated Meeting

Oasis No. 52 - Second Tuesday

www.facebook.com/Oasis-Lodge-52

<http://www.oasis52.org>

7:30 pm Stated Meeting

Nelson C Bledsoe No. 74 - Second Tuesday

www.facebook.com/nelsoncbledsoe74/

<https://nelsonbledsoe74.org>

7:00 pm Stated Meeting

Epes Randolph No. 32 - Second Wednesday

www.facebook.com/groups/1033656566693307

<https://epesrandolph32.org>

7:30 pm Stated Meeting

Builders No. 60 - Second Wednesday

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Builders%20sixty%20Masonic%20Lodge/111283838906398>

7:30 pm Stated Meeting

Anahuac No. 81 - Third Monday

<https://www.facebook.com/An%C3%A1huac-Lodge-81-101624338741117>

7:00 pm Stated Meeting

Downtown No. 86 - Fourth Monday

www.facebook.com/Downtown-Lodge-86-FAM

<https://www.downtown86.com>

7:30 pm Stated Meeting