

# FAITH HOPE CHARITY



## TUCSON LODGE #4 F. & A. M.

**TREVOR TANZILLO**

Worshipful Master

520-869-0538

trevortanzillo@gmail.com

**SAM GREER**

Senior Warden

720-838-1112

scgreer64@yahoo.com

**MOE MOMAYEZ**

Junior Warden

520-275-2071

Moe.momayez@gmail.com



**PAUL SIMPSON, PM** Secretary 520-245-5738 psimpson130@gmail.com

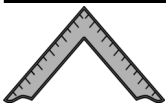
**CATHERYN & PAUL SIMPSON** Editors - 520-245-5628 csimpson130@comcast.net

**TucsonLodge4.org • 520-323-2821**

VOLUME 144

February 2025

NUMBER 2



### From The East



No one is superior, no one is inferior, but no one is equal either.  
People are simply unique, incomparable ."

-Osho

Hello from the East! I hope this finds you all well. January began this year's journey for us and looking forward we have a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree schedule for next month. We have several degrees for brethren that will continue their masonic journey and we can use all the help we can get. If you'd like a part in a degree please contact the Senior Warden or I. It's

### February Calendar

Mon Feb 3	Reservations for Stated Meeting	NOON
Wed Feb 5	Stated Meeting Dinner	6:00 pm
	Stated Meeting	7:00 pm
Wed Feb 11	Master Mason Degree Practice	7:00 pm
Wed Feb 18	Master Mason Degree Practice	7:00 pm
Wed Feb 25	Master Mason Degree Practice	7:00 pm
Fri Feb 28	Cigar Night (Anthony's)	7:00 pm
Mon Mar 3	Reservations for Stated Meeting	NOON
Wed Mar 5	Stated Meeting	7:00 pm

*Please refer to the Worshipful Master's weekly email for the latest updates as the details of the events are not yet fully*

equally important for us to have attendance on the sidelines. That being said, if you can't play a part, please consider joining us on the sidelines and help bring our new brethren along in their masonic journey.

Freemasonry reminds us that everyone carries their own special light, like rough stone being shaped by a builder for use in a building. We come together not to judge or compare but to combine our strengths and create something bigger than ourselves. We are taught to meet as equals, recognizing that while our skills and paths may differ, every contribution matters in building the whole.

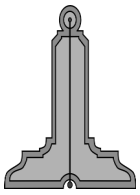
In lodge as in life, we should celebrate our differences. The designs on a trestle board aren't drawn with a single perfect line but formed by several different strokes. Each serving a purpose and beautiful in its own right. Together let's appreciate each others individuality and keep building towards our common goal, one unique stone at a time.

In February 1828 the Anti-Masonic party was formed. During this time Freemasonry faced scrutiny based on misconceptions of it's purpose and influence. The anti-Masonic sentiment at the time arose from fears that the fraternity was exclusive and undemocratic. This should serve as a reminder that our fraternities principles are timeless values meant to foster understanding and cooperation, even when facing misjudgment.

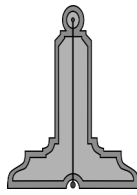
May this month again be a time of fellowship and shared growth. May we attend our gatherings with open hearts, ready to strengthen the bonds of brotherhood. Let our lodge be a testament to the transformative power of Masonry, where harmony prevails, and the light of wisdom shines bright.

Time is fleeting and each of us is only given so much. It's not too late to do the things today you said you'd do yesterday or tell those you love how much you care.

Your brother **Trevor Tanzillo**



## From The West



### Masonic Values in American Culture

We know that many of the Founding Fathers were Masons.

We know that the architect who laid out the basic design of Washington DC was a Mason. We know that a number of former Presidents (including George Washington) and Founding Fathers were Masons. There is speculation that Anderson's Articles of Confederation may have served as a model for our U.S. Constitution.

Ask yourself just how far the basic requirements to begin each man's masonic journey (Belief in God) and the principal tenets (Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth) are embedded in the fabric of American culture. Through our freedom of religion, we have the choice to worship God through a variety of religions. Americans are without a doubt the most giving Nation on Earth, the charities and relief organizations in this country respond to people in need through-out the United States and around the world. Proof we are a charitable nation that provides relief for those in need.

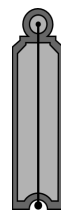
These charitable acts also fall into the Brotherly Love category. Masonic Lodges contribute to school literacy programs, Hospital maintenance (the Square and Compass Wing at Tucson Medical Center) and don't forget the Shriners Hospital. All Masons are not Shriners, but all Shriners are Masons.

How often have you heard phrases that allude to something being "On the Level" or "A Square Deal" or "Are you being Straight Up with Me"? Since the Square is an emblem of Truth, it is not much of a stretch to see the infusion of Masonic principles into American culture.

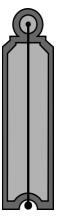
Lastly, in his farewell speech, George Washington summed up his commitment to Masonic principles in two sentences. 1) "We cannot have morality without religion" and 2) "Leaders had to value Reason over Passion and the public good over private self-interest".

As Masons (in our quest to become "Better Men"), adherence to our basic tenets and the example set forth by George Washington will serve us well in keeping Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth ingrained in the fabric of American Society.

Sam Greer, PM  
Senior Warden



## From The South



Brethren,

We are well into the new year and will have our 2nd Stated dinner on Wednesday February 5. As your Junior Warden in the South, I have taken the time to consider what this role means beyond just an opportunity to be in front of crowds each month. It's really about more than getting everybody a plateful of food and a glass in their hand (as much as I do enjoy that part!). May the South, strong and bright as it is at high twelve, remind us of what is strong and vigilant and right in the direction and application of our energies not just in the Lodge, but in all of our endeavors. The idea of high twelve is precisely a matter of action and rest, zeal and restraint: the sun finds its perfect equilibrium at high twelve.

Now that might bring to your mind the need for balance in our lives, to make sure our zeal does not outrun our prudence. That balance, you know, that happy medium as we are told in Freemasonry about everything that we do. We will succeed only if we can avoid being too eager or too apathetic, and instead walk along that delicate line of perfect balance to maximize our efforts.

Well, speaking of balance, our February Stated dinner promises just that! This month, we're serving a comforting homestyle meatloaf, with lusciously creamy mashed potatoes and a medley of seasonal vegetables. A comforting, satisfying meal, wouldn't you say? It's the ideal time to sit around a table and share food and fellowship beyond the ritual.

Now, a little note about those reservations. Our caterer charges per plate, therefore we pay for every meal ordered, whether or not someone actually shows. So, if you need to cancel your dinner, please notify the Secretary before the Monday evening prior to the Stated dinner. It is a small thing, but it helps us to be good stewards of the Lodge's finances and allows us to continue to enjoy these fraternal get-togethers.

Hope to see you there for an evening of proper food and even better company!

Moe Momayez  
Junior Warden



## Let's Do Something About It

Few, if any can claim to be alive because they are a Freemason. I can.

Wednesday January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2009, I died from a Sudden Cardiac Arrest. It is fatal in 90% of the cases and happens about 1000 times everyday in the United States.

In my case, I did not remain dead because I am a Mason. On that day, sixteen years ago this month, just as I was doing a few times every week, I was in Lodge.

Among other things, and as a former Staff Sergeant in the French Army, I was sitting as Master of the Arizona Military Degree Team, which is a degree team created by retired Senior Master Sergeant "Wes" Stokes, PM, made up of the United States Navy, United States Air Force, United States Army, and Arizona Air National Guard.

I was conferring a second degree on a former Army Sergeant Charles Raymond of Tucson Lodge #4. Then, and, at about the same time, the Chaplain, former Lieutenant Commander of the United States Navy, Jon Ruse, saw me slip down from my chair, while Senior Warden Steve Balogh PM, formerly Staff Sergeant of the United States Air force, told Marine Corps Sergeant Mike Manning PM (at the time) who was the Senior Deacon presenting him the candidate, "what's going on with Jean-Claude?"

I did not see nor recall any of that: my last memory was that of Mike escorting the candidate to the South. The next image that I recall is two days later at University Medical Center around noon, when I was brought back to consciousness and saw Brother Akash Taggarse, also my doctor, telling me that I had a cardiac problem but that everything was fine now and said: "welcome back!"

If the technology and progress in healthcare and the competence of the EMT's had a great deal to do with my survival, my Masons Brethren had also a lot to do with it as well: several of them had learn how to perform Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and put it to use successfully on that day. Major Richard Hendrickson PM (United States Army and former motorcycle Tucson Police Department Officer) was the one who initiated the CPR, braking one of my ribs and my sternum in two places. He confided to me later that, prior to my cardiac arrest, he had had the opportunity of doing CPR many times before me, but he felt strange while doing it for the first time on someone he knew before!

Then, former US Navy Chief Robert Crawford PM who had called the EMT's and organized the relay of Brother Richard, with Brother Ben Hartnett -who had just recently qualified for CPR- took over, and then former Sergeant Richard Grimes of the 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne who was relayed by the EMT's when they arrived. Much of what I related here was conveyed to me by Mike Manning who was making sure that I wasn't swallowing my tongue and checking me out while all of this was going on.

I feel strange today, enjoying my extended life which was also made possible by the prayers of my Brethren for my welfare after I was taken flat-line to the hospital. It worked! I feel indebted to all these men whose prayers made the last 16 years of my life possible. I am also troubled by the fact that Steve, Mike, Jon and recently Richard passed away ahead of me!

Dying and coming back from it is not common, but for those I met who like me did, this has changed our lives! I draw some lessons from that experience. First, we should not need such experiences to have our lives changed: we have, at all times the ability and power to change anything we want to our lives. Especially us Masons: didn't we sought Freemasonry for the purpose of helping us improve ourselves? Whether we remember the purpose of this endeavor or not, we know Freemasonry to be a source of improvement in our lives. Since we have memorized many of its teachings it is simple and easy to extract something which we can use for improvement not only of our own selves but for the rest of our surroundings and beyond?

Today is the first day of the rest of your life, and mine: let's make it count! While we can! January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2009 could have been the last day of my life. The same is true today and everyday! For us both. Let's do something about it. I just did.

Jean-Claude Malterre, PMX



**SAHUARO HIGH TWELVE #523  
Meets every Thursday 8:00AM  
IHOP—Oracle and Limberlost**





# From The Secretary



Associate with men of good quality if you esteem your own reputation; for it is better to be alone than in bad company. -

George Washington

If you remember last month, I provided some membership statistics. In January we finalized our annual report to Grand Lodge and after we made a correction in Grandview (they counted our affiliation as a new member in 2024 instead of when he was elected in 2025) we agreed to the penny. So, we will be writing a check to Grand Lodge for almost \$7,000. Now you see way I am always begging you to pay your dues. Speaking of which, we have 43 brothers who have yet to pay their 2025 dues. This number is in line with past years. If you haven't paid them, please do so. If you have paid, then I thank you.

In regard to Grandview, if you have not activated your account, please do so. If you need help doing this, please let me know and I will walk you through the process. Once you have set up your account, you will be able to see your full masonic history, and when you move, be able to update your address, email, and phone number. By having a current address, it will insure you get mail that is sent to you by the lodge. You also will be able to look up a brother's contact information as well. It seems I spend a couple of hours a week tracking down brothers whose mail is returned as undeliverable. For those brothers who have activated their accounts and have helped keep their information current, I thank you.

We finally got our internet and phone swapped over at the lodge. At times it seemed like we were tilting windmills (especially with CenturyLink), but we managed to move everything over and kept our old phone number. The lodge phone number is 520-323-2821. If you call and I don't answer, please leave a message. The joy with the new system is if you leave a message, I receive an email with the transcribed message along with the audio file. Now, I don't have to go down to the lodge to check the answering machine.

See you in lodge,  
Paul A. Simpson, PM, Secretary

## FEBRUARY MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

NAME	DAY	YEARS
JOHN PATRICK BOLDUC	5	8
BENJAMIN PHILLIP THORP	5	28
RAYMOND AUSTIN PHILLIPS	7	57
GREGORY HAMMONDS	10	9
STEPHEN MATTHEW MURRILLO	11	16
MARK JOSEPH GILLILAND	13	12
RICHARD DWAYNE VAUGHN	15	11
ROBERT CHARLES CONRAD, PGM	15	47
CURTIS LEE WARREN	18	49
JERRY EDDVILLE WHITE	19	48
GEORGE CHARLES PARKER, II	19	11
WILLIAM BENARD PREDGO	19	3
JOHN RUSSELL PROKOP	19	31
GUY ALBERT HUMMON, II	20	69
WILLIAM ROBERT LOBB	23	14
KIRK KEVIN KLOSOWSKY	24	4
KENT ALLEN VANDERKOLK	27	40
NICHOLAS ANTHONY ANDRESS	29	13

*Mention it is your masonic birthday month and get a free meal at that month's stated meeting.*

## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

NAME	DAY
JOAQUIN ACUNA MUNOZ	1
MICHAEL HIGH MATLOCK	3
MICHAEL PALMER JOHNSON	5
JOHN WILLIAM MYERS	6
JONATHAN FREDERICK BRADFORD	8
TREVOR JAMES TANZILLO	8
JAMES ROBERT BELL	17
JEAN-CLAUDE MALTERRE	17
SEBASTIAN CONDOR BABON	23
ARIF EMRE ERKOCA	25
NICHOLAS JOHN POSUNIAK	25
DENIS GREENLAND	26
CHAD MICHAEL RICHEY	28
SAMUEL ALLEN STEPHENSON	28

*If you see one of these brothers, wish them a Happy Birthday, or better yet, send a card or email!//*

## TUCSON LODGE MASONIC FAMILY SCHEDULES

Saguaro Chapter #48 OES, Second & Fourth Mondays .....	7:00PM
Olana Temple #131, Daughters of the Nile, Third Monday. ....	6:00PM
Oasis Court #75, Ladies Oriental Shrine, First Monday .....	6:00PM
Daughters of Scotia, Second Friday.....	7:00 PM
DeMolay - Arizona Chapter .....	For info Contact Arizona.Chair@AzDeMolay.org
Bethel #25, Job's Daughters .....	For info Contact Laureen at bethel25azjdi@gmail.com
Assembly #2, Rainbow Girls .....	For info Contact Paul Simpson at psimpson130@gmail.com

**For use of the Lodge Building contact the Lodge Secretary at tl4so@outlook.com**



## 2024—DID WE DO IT RIGHT?

Rick Chimblo

Circumscribing our passions and keeping our desires within due bounds. Brothers, you have taught me to think about the words of our obligations and the tools we use to remind ourselves of those responsibilities. I try to reflect on this every day because I want to be a better man, not only for each of you, but maybe, in some way, to be a better example to others around me.

When I was a young boy, many, many years ago, I was taught about the “book of life”. The concept was simple, because I was just a little boy. It went like this: at the end of every year, we close another volume of the “book of our life”. For me as a kid, it was my birthday not New Years Eve. But that doesn’t matter. Choose the close of your year whenever you like it. Anyway, every year when we began this book, everything we have is already ours. The Supreme Architect put it in our hands and we could make of it what we wanted: a poem, a story, a personal plan, a prayer, a kindness, and unfortunately words and actions outside of “due bounds”. At the end of each and every year, the book is closed. You can't change it anymore; it's not yours any longer; you have already written it, good deeds and regrets; now it belongs to The Supreme Architect. The Supreme Architect will read it to you on the very day of your death with all its details. You can't correct it any more. It has passed into the domain of eternity.

Think for a few moments about this past year 2024. Take your old “book” of memories and actions. Leaf through it slowly, let its “pages” pass through your hands and your conscience. Have the pleasure of seeing yourself. Read it all. Repeat those pages of your life on which you put forward your best self. Read also those pages that you wish you had never written. No, don't try to tear them out. It's useless; have the courage to read them, they're yours. You can't tear them out, but you can erase them when you write your next book. If you do, The Supreme Architect will erase them when he reads your next book on the last day. Call this redemption or forgiveness.

We have all received a token of the friendship and brotherly love of the Lodge. I believe that this makes our fraternity unique and sacred. At the end of our year, we should think about our brothers and our lodge. Were all our interactions within due bounds? Did we act with compassion and brotherly love? Did we listen with an attentive ear? Did we speak with an instructive tongue?

When we offer our “book of life” for the past year to The Supreme Architect, we can add only two things: Thank You! I am Sorry! Maybe this applies to our brothers, too.

“Accept the things to which fate binds you, and love the people with whom fate brings you together, but do so with all your heart.” Marcus Aurelius

## GRAND CARE

Brethren, by a unanimous vote of the Grand Lodge Trustees, GCare has been discontinued effective immediately. We stopped accepting applications as of January 22nd, but are still processing any and all applications postmarked or received before or as of that date. WB Will Wilkinson and Paul Simpson both served on the Grand Care Board of Directors and worked valiantly, along with other board members to keep the program going. However, it was not sustainable. I am sure there will be more words from Grand Lodge.


## Gaslight Theatre

Once again, we will be making another pilgrimage to the far east side of Tucson (Kolb Rd) to the Gaslight Theatre on **Friday, April 25th at 8:30 pm**. Tickets are \$23 for adults and \$20 for children. We have reserved 54 seats in our “usual” area. The show is Beach Blanket Bee-Bop. We were able to get additional seats and as of this writing we have 18 available. BTW, we also have reservations for the September show. More to follow on that one.

## SAVE THE DATE—MARCH 26, 2025

**PAST MASTER’S NIGHT**—Come and see how the PMs did it int their year. More details to follow.

William E. Wilkinson, P.L.L.C.  
Arizona Attorney



Estate Planning, Living Trusts, Wills  
Trust Administration  
Severe Personal Injury/Wrongful Death  
(520) 981-1200  
will4az@gmail.com  
8041 N. Northern Avenue | Tucson 85704

William E. Wilkinson, J.D., Dr.P.H.

JIM STITH



520-903-2252  
CELL 520-907-8103  
FAX 520-903-2261

jim@savonflowers.com  
P.O. BOX 42770  
TUCSON, AZ 85733



## 2025 LODGE OFFICERS


Worshipful Master.....Trevor Tanzillo (Isela)  
 Senior Warden .....Sam Greer (Paddy)  
 Junior Warden.....Moe Momayez (Caroline)  
 Treasurer.....Ronald Hill, PM (Linda)  
 Deputy Treasurer.....Jon Schmidt, PM (Shari).  
 Secretary .....Paul Simpson, PM (Catheryn)  
 Secretary Emeritus .....Bob Conrad, PGM (Jackie)  
 Senior Deacon .....Kirk Klosowsky  
 Junior Deacon .....Logan Gaither (Shelby)  
 Senior Steward .....William Predgo (Cheryl)  
 Junior Steward.....TBA  
 Marshal .....Anthony Covielo-Blinn  
 Chaplain .....Rafael Leidy-Escabi  
 Tyler .....P Scott Ceravolo  
 Musician.....Randall Dighton, PM (Linda)  
 Ritual Advisor .....TBD  
 Trustee 2025 .....Hannes Meyer, PM (Joyce)  
 Trustee 2025 .....Rafael Leidy-Escabi  
 Trustee 2025.....Gabriel Class (Rosa)  
 Trustee 2026.....Logan Gaither (Shelby)  
 Trustee 2027 .....William Wilkinson, PM (Laurie)  
 Website Editor .....John Prokop (Sharlot)  
 Widow's Assistance .....Paul Simpson, PM (Catheryn)



**CURRENT RESIDENT OR**



**TUCSON LODGE NO. 4, F. & A. M.**  
 3590 N COUNTRY CLUB ROAD  
 TUCSON, ARIZONA 85716-1254  
 Ph: 520-323-2821



ARIZONA  
**MASONICON**  
AND FESTIVE BOARD  
**2025**



**LOOKING TO THE PAST TO GUIDE  
US INTO THE FUTURE**

**Only \$50**  
Fee includes a copy of  
*Harmony in the Hive*

**WITH WOMENS LUNCHEON**



**SHAWN EYER**

*Writer on Masonic symbolism,  
history, ritual and philosophy*



**NATHAN ST. PIERRE**

*Author. Harmony in the Hive: A  
Vibrant Vision for  
Freemasonry's Future*



**JOHN MILLER PGM**

*Past Grand Master of Most  
Worshipful Prince Hall Grand  
Lodge of Arizona*

**SPECIAL GUEST: BRYAN GODWIN, FOUNDER OF FREEMASON LIFESTYLE,  
AUTHOR AND ARTIST**

**28-30**

**MARCH 2025**

**PRESCOTT, AZ**

Prescott Resort and Conference Center  
1500 E State Route 69, Prescott, AZ 86301

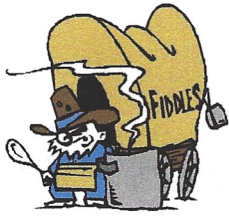
**FRIDAY NIGHT FESTIVE BOARD**

Call Prescott Resort and Conference Center at  
855-957-4637 for rooms  
LOW MASONICON RATE  
Limited Availability on rooms, book soon

**Register at @azmasons.org**

More Information: R.Biede@azmasons.org





# Save The Date!

## February 23, 2025

**Saguaro #48's 4th Annual**

**Rodeo Steak Dinner**

**Tucson Lodge #4**

**3590 N Country Club Dr**

**From 3:00-6:00 pm**

**\$25 a person or \$45 a couple**

**Steak, baked potatoes, beans, salad,**

**dessert and a drink**

**(Chicken by request)**

**50/50 Drawing**

**RSVP by February 15th to:**

**Laurel Wadley, PM**

**strawberrystar@sisna.com**

**or text/call 520-955-2590**

**We hope to see ya' all there!!!!**

