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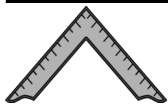
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## From The East



“The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others”  
-Mahatma Gandhi

Hello from the East! I hope this finds you all well. I have finally made my way out of covid which had infected my entire household. Luckily everyone in my home is okay.

As Masons, the strength of our brotherhood lies in not just the principles we uphold, but in the actions we take together. The quote above resonates deeply within our craft. When we participate in lodge activities, it's not just about attending lodge meetings or events- we're building stronger relationships with each other and gaining a deeper understanding of ourselves on this Masonic journey.

Every lodge meeting or event is a chance to practice the core values we believe in: brotherly love, relief, and truth. Contributing our time and energy, no matter how small, creates a sense of unity and shared purpose. Your participation, no matter the size, matters. It's through those acts of service that we grow- not just as individuals, but as a community.

Your involvement matters. Every time you participate, it enriches the lodge experience and helps each of us grow. By serving others, we not only better ourselves, but also uplift everyone around us, fulfilling what Freemasonry is truly about.

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.

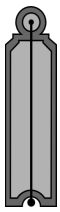
Fraternally,

Your brother *Trevor Tanzillo,*

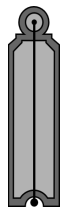
## November Calendar

Mon Nov 4	Reservations for Stated Dinner	NOON
Wed Nov 6	Stated Meeting Dinner	6:00 pm
	Stated Meeting—Elections	7:00 pm
Wed Nov 13	Fellowcraft Proficiency Night	7:00 pm
Sat Nov 16	GL Leadership Summit (Tucson)	8:00 am
Wed Nov 20	Degree/Practice	7:00 pm
Wed Nov 27	Lodge Dark—Thanksgiving Eve	
Fri Nov 29	Cigar Night—Anthony's	7:00 pm
Mon Dec 2	Reservations for Stated Meeting	NOON
Wed Dec 4	Stated Meeting	7:00 pm
Sat Dec 14	Installation of Officers	2:00 pm

*Please refer to the Worshipful Master's weekly email for the latest updates as the details of the events are not yet fully known when this edition is sent out.*



# From The South



Greetings from the South!

I hope everyone enjoyed the dinner at the October stated meeting. I was traveling out of state and want to thank brothers Kirk and Austin for taking care of the meal.

For the November stated meeting we will have a "traditional" turkey dinner. Seeing as it also elections, I think we will have a great turnout. Hope to see you all there.

Darryl Weaver, Junior Warden

## Masonic Trivia

### Gene Wickey

In 1864, nine Master Masons met in Prescott and drafted documents seeking a dispensation from the Grand Lodge of California to open a lodge in Prescott. A few years later, it was granted and Aztlan Lodge #177 was duly formed and constituted. Eventually, four more lodges were formed including Tucson Lodge #4.

In March of 1882, representatives from the newly formed lodges met in Tucson, AZ territory, to form the Grand Lodge of Arizona.

Marion R. Morrison (born in Iowa) became a mason in 1970 in Marion McDaniel Lodge #56. He was better known as "The Duke" or John Wayne. He was also a member of Scottish Rite and the Shrine.

What is a cable-tow? It's a length of rope used by our operative masonic forefathers for a multitude of purposes. It was used to bind together heavy objects on floats or rafts to ensure the safe transport of material on work sites and to secure the workers at the job site. In freemasonry, the cable-tow symbolizes the binding obligation we take to assist and support our fell brothers in need, both inside and out of the lodge.

Sources—GL of AZ and The Freemasons by Michael Johnstone.

## NOVEMBER MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

NAME	DAY	YEARS
GARY RAY LARAMORE	3	53
ROBERT PERRY RODDEY	4	65
AKASH SHARAD TAGGARSE	6	25
GLENN ROGER DAY	13	33
MARK WILLIAM ALBERTSEN	17	42
EDWARD WARNICK DUNGAN	17	52
RODNEY JOE HOPPER	19	27
CLIFFORD TERRY	20	65
WILLIAM EDWIN AHERN	22	27
JONATHAN FREDERICK BRADFORD	22	27
SALIM ELIE JABBOUR	22	27
MARTIN THOMAS JONES	22	27
JOHN FRANK PROKOP	22	27
LARRY DEAN SPAULDING	22	27
PHILIP LEE SPAULDING	22	27
FREDERICK MARTIN BLATT	23	60
KENNETH CHARLES WILLIAMS	24	53
RONALD NEAL ALLEN	27	39
GREGORY STEPHAN PFISTER	30	2

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

## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

NAME	DAY
MARK JOSEPH GILLILAND	2
ERNEST BRUCE COOPER	7
SAMUEL CAMPBELL GREER	12
BRUCE DANIEL PYLES	14
JON ROMAN HAHN	16
EDWIN CHARLES LEWIS	23
EARL C. STARR	23
JOSE ESTRELLA	25
STEVEN LEO VOGEL	27
FRANCIS JOSEPH CAVANAUGH	29
CRAIG ALLEN PRINK	30

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



# From The Secretary



“As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them.”

John F. Kennedy

November, the month where we vote, thank our veteran’s, give thanks for what we have, and watch football. Growing up in New England it was the time when the leaves changed, the apples were ready for picking, the fresh cold apple cider, and the breaking out of the winter jackets. All of these reminded us that winter was just around the corner. Having lived in Tucson for almost 36 year, we are faced with the question “Do I turn the A/C off yet or not?”. When do I get rid of the sandals and shorts?

We see the other signs of the seasons – those political signs on every corner telling us who to vote for and asking for support of the various referendums. As masons, we do not discuss partisan politics in lodge. According to several *Short Talk Bulletins*, *this was first laid down with the publication of Anderson’s constitutions in 1723. While we do not discuss politics in lodge, we do strongly encourage every brother to exercise their right and responsibility to vote in their local elections. This is part of the civic duties contained in the charge given to the Entered Apprentice.*

At our November stated meeting we will be electing those officers we desire to guide our lodge in the upcoming year. While the Arizona Masonic Code does not define electioneering, masonic tradition does. One of the accepted definitions of electioneering is “persuasion of voters in a campaign for election.” By our standards there is nothing wrong with stating you are interested in being considered for a particular elected office. Where electioneering comes into play is when you say “I think so and so would make a great [insert office here] so you should vote for him.”

The process of counting votes in an election of officers is a little different. Of course, it can’t be straightforward. To be elected to an office, there must be a majority of eligible votes, not votes cast. You may wonder “What is an eligible member?” By the AMC, an eligible member is a master mason, who is current on his dues, and has returned their master mason proficiency. When an eligible member does not vote, it can impact the election. For example, if there are 39 eligible members, and only 35 vote, and 18 vote for one candidate, and 17 for the other, there is no vote as the majority would be 20. This is why it is important to vote.

Last month I mentioned I am now accepting 2025 dues payments. So far, I have had three brothers take me up on the offer. Dues for 2025 will remain at \$122 (\$127 if you pay using PayPal). We are also in the process of setting up our accounts to accept Zelle for payments. There will be

more to follow once we get it set up. Dues notices will be going out shortly.

Dues cards for 2025 will be electronic, however, there will still be limited traditional ones available. [I’ll be getting more information at the secretaries’ meeting in November.] What this means is everyone will need to activate their account in Grandview. When I send out dues notices, and the dues “cards” for those who have prepaid dues, I will include instructions on 1) how to activate your Grandview account, and 2) how to access your virtual dues card. I have been using my virtual dues card for quite a few months now and I am pleasantly pleased on how easy it is to use once you have it set up.

Putting on my building manager hat, I want to give you an update on what we have done in the past year. We signed a new cleaning contract in February when we received word that our prior custodian was retiring. Our new custodian is a brother and we are paying him a little more a month than our prior custodial service. We have replaced a badly leaking tanked hot water heater with a pair of tankless, on-demand units, replaced the ice machine after it failed, replaced the programmable thermostat in the lodge room, and replaced the refrigerator in the conference room area. As far as we can figure, that fridge was around when Arizona became a state. It was cheaper to put a decent size fridge in than to repair the old one.

In closing, I really enjoy being your lodge secretary. I feel it gives me the opportunity to really support the lodge and to help those brothers who need help. It is the best of both worlds. To quote my mentor, “I love the fraternity!”

And finally, in the words of that unnamed newscaster in Chicago many years ago “Vote early and vote often” (but don’t get caught).

See you in lodge,

Paul A. Simpson, PM

## WINTERHAVEN 2024

This year’s *Winterhaven Festival of Lights* will be from Dec 14 thru Dec 28th. During Winterhaven, we charge to park in our parking lot. This is our main fundraiser of the year. As fundraisers go, this is FREE money in that we realistically spend no money to make money. We man our lot from around 5:00 pm until about 10:00 pm depending on activity. There will be a sign up list on the secretary’s door. We need to have at least one keyholder plus 3 or 4 other brothers there each night. It is a time for some good fellowship and we have been known to knock out a proficiency or two.



## OPERATING YOUR LODGE

When we think of the lodge we all belong to, it's easy to imagine that it's not really your lodge, but rather it is a lodge that is run and owned by someone else, that we just use this lodge to hang out and socialize. But it is something more, something that we are all woven into. We are a part of it, and it is a part of us. Every decision regarding our conduct and actions, or lack thereof has an impact.

You may think that it is really the Worshipful Master's lodge, one that he endeavors to rule and govern. To a large extent, you'd be right. But there is much more there, when it comes to operating a lodge. Every action, thought, and impact you have on your lodge, is actually operating your lodge. When you choose to attend a stated meeting, when you choose not to attend, you are operating your lodge. When you pay your dues early, on time, or late, you are operating your lodge.

When you see something needs to be fixed, and choose to let someone else to say something, point it out, let someone else fix it, or conversely, even handle it yourself, you are operating your lodge. When you keep silent, choose to not become involved, or decline to participate, you are operating your lodge.

Every action you have with regards to the lodge, has an impact. Even those decisions to remain anonymous, visit a brother in the hospital, or stay at home, is a decision that operates your lodge. The Worshipful Master provides direction, guidance, sets policy, and influences the culture, but we all operate our lodge.

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Declining to visit the lodge when there are important items to consider, especially at the stated meetings, or not making yourself available for fundraising projects, is in fact, operating your lodge. Others who see you that do not care that much, maybe you value time in front of a good movie, or even worked a strenuous shift, and just want to relax at home, plants a seed for them to do the same. If it was ok for them, it should be no problem for me. That is operating your lodge. Leaving lodge decisions to someone else, rather than voicing your opinion, or voting, is definitely operating your lodge.

So think to yourself, maybe say it out loud to yourself and yes, even to others, is this how we should operate our lodge?

P. Scott Ceravolo


## CAN DO CREW

Still looking for brothers to help out in routine maintenance of the lodge doing such things as replacing interior lights, painting, preventative maintenance, etc... If you are interested or can help, please contact either the master or the Secretary.

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## ANTI-MASONIC PARTY

How many of you know that Freemasonry is the only group to have a political party formed against it. The Anti-Masonic Party was also the first third party in the United States and it was a single issue party. It was active from the late 1820s, particularly in the Northeast, and it attempted to become a major party by adopting other issues. It fell apart rather quickly after 1832 when most of the members joined the Whig party, and it disappeared around 1838.

It was formed after the disappearance of William Morgan, a former mason who had become a critic of the craft and was going to print an expose. The party was also a backlash against the craft as a form of anti-elitism. It was thought we were trying to control the government. There was also the fear that we were hostile to Christianity.

The Anti-Masonic Party emerged as an important third-party alternative to Andrew Jackson's Democrats and Kohn Quincy Adams' National Republicans. The Anti-Masonic Party supplemented the Republicans in the battle against the Democrats.

After seeing unexpected success in the 1828 elections, the party started to branch out to other issues, most of which supported internal improvements and protective tariffs. In the 1832 election, the party received 7.8% of the popular vote when they put up US Attorney General William Wirt as their candidate. They also carried Vermont.

In the 1830s, many of the Anti-Masonic Party's supporters joined the Whigs who opposed the policies of Andrew Jackson. At their national convention of 1835, they did not support a candidate, but supported the Whig candidate, William Henry Harrison. His successful election resulted in the majority of the party joining the Whigs. By 1840, the party had ceased to exist and former Anti-Masonic candidates became Whigs. Among these candidates and supporters were Millard Fillmore, William H. Seward, Thurlow Weed, and Thaddeus Stevens.

In regard to the Morgan Affair, our own WB Ben Thorp has an excellent presentation on the affair. He made the presentation a few years ago and hopefully we can convince him to give a repeat performance.

## Lodge Leadership Summit—Part 2

There is a second Grand Lodge sponsored leadership summit in Tucson at the Scottish Rite on Saturday, November 16th from 08:00 am until about 5:00 pm (lunch will be provided). This is in addition to MasoniCon which is usually held in the late March-early-April time frame. Registration fee is \$50 and includes lunch. You can register for the session on the Grand Lodge website at

[Leadership-summit \(azmasons.org\) .](http://Leadership-summit (azmasons.org) .)

## JANUARY STATED MEETING

**Section 10-201.1 – Legal Holidays.** In the event that a Stated Meeting of a Lodge falls on a legal holiday, the regular Stated Meeting may be held at a subsequent date provided that the membership be given at least 30 days notice. The legal holidays for the purpose of this section shall be: New Year's Day, ...

This is the one holiday that affects our stated meeting. So, with this in mind, and bearing in mind most of us do not want to attend a lodge meeting on January 1st, the January stated meeting is moved to **January 8th** (one week later). We will also be reminding you in the weekly email.

## Our Sick and Distressed Brothers

Brethren, please keep the following ailing brethren in your prayers. If you would like to send a card, please contact the secretary for their address.

*Ralph Francis, Ron Hill, Bo Paxton, Randall Dighton, and Mary Yandell (Wes' wife).*

If you know of any brothers who are sick or in distress please let the Senior Warden or the Secretary know.

## GRAND CARE

We are continuing to talk about Grand Care. This is essentially free money in that it is a reimbursement (up to \$100) for expenses associated with a chronic medical condition. Here is the link to GCARE [Grand Care \(azgcare.org\)](http://azgcare.org) If you have questions about it feel free to contact WB Will Wilkinson or Paul Simpson. They are both very knowledgeable in the process and Grand Care in general. And yes, they have both used GCARE and the process is quick and painless.

We have included a copy of the application and flyer as part of the electronic copy of this trestle board.

## ADVERTISING IN TUCSON 4 NEWSLETTER

Would you like to get your business out to your Masonic Brothers? If so, consider taking out an ad in the Tucson Lodge 4 Newsletter. It is published monthly and gets sent out all over the State. You will also be helping your Lodge continue to provide its members and friends with current articles and information. A 1/8 page (business card) is only \$75.00, a 1/4 page ad is \$150.00, a 1/2 page ad is \$300.00 and a full page ad is \$600.00. If interested please contact the Lodge secretary and we will set you up. Thanks for your support.

## 2024 LODGE OFFICERS


Worshipful Master .....	Trevor Tanzillo (Isela)
Senior Warden .....	Bo Paxton (Karen)
Junior Warden.....	Darryl Weaver (Laura)
Treasurer .....	Ronald Hill, PM (Linda)
Deputy Treasurer.....	Jon Schmidt, PM (Shari).
Secretary .....	Paul Simpson, PM (Catheryn)
Secretary Emeritus .....	Bob Conrad, PGM (Jackie)
Senior Deacon .....	Moe Momayez
Junior Deacon .....	Gabriel Class (Rosa)
Senior Steward .....	William Predgo (Cheryl)
Junior Steward.....	Austin Pena
Marshal .....	Gregory Pfister
Chaplain .....	Justus Smith
Tyler .....	Sam Greer, PM (Patricia)
Musician.....	Randall Dighton, PM (Linda)
Ritual Advisor .....	TBD
Trustee 2024 .....	Hannes Meyer, PM (Joyce)
Trustee 2024 .....	Rafael Leidy-Escabi
Trustee 2024 .....	William Wilkinson, PM (Laurie)
Trustee 2025.....	Gabriel Class (Rosa)
Trustee 2026.....	Sam Greer, PM (Patricia)
Website Editor .....	John Prokop (Sharlot)
Widow's Assistance .....	Paul Simpson, PM (Catheryn)



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# Grand Care Application Form

*Grand Care* (GCARE) offers Arizona citizens who suffer from a “chronic disease” constituting a chronic health condition a one-time reimbursement of a medical care payment or co-payment.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control defines chronic diseases as those conditions that exist for at least, but no less than, one calendar year and require ongoing medical attention or limited activities of daily living or both, including, but not limited to, Alzheimer’s Disease, Arthritis, Asthma, Cancer, Cardiovascular Disease, Chronic Kidney Disease, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, Diabetes, and Stroke.

You can apply for reimbursement of up to \$100 of medical expense by filling out and returning this form along with a copy of your receipt for the expense for which you are seeking reimbursement.

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

One-Time Medical Expense Requested Amount \_\_\_\_\_

Masonic Affiliation (Circle One) Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

(Information for statistical purposes only. Applicant is not required to have Masonic affiliation to apply.)

If yes, list Arizona Masonic Lodge Name and No. \_\_\_\_\_

A receipt must be attached to apply. Please attach or enclose a copy of your health care payment receipt to this application and return it to **Attn: GCARE**, P.O. Box 64251, Tucson, Arizona 85728-4251.

Grand Care does not discriminate based on age, gender, sex orientation, race, ethnicity, nor financial status.



## Applicant Certification:

I certify under penalty of perjury by signing below that (i) I suffer from a chronic health condition; (ii) that the related medical costs have created hardships impacting my daily living; (iii) these funds will help meet immediate and basic living needs; and (iv) all information contained in this application is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant’s Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

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Signature of Parent, Guardian, or under  
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Order by October 24th for Delivery the first  
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