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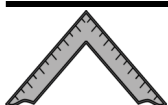
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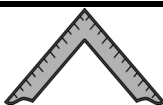
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From The East



"The path to enlightenment is not a path at all,
but a shedding of that which obscures the light"

-Zen Saying

Hello from the East! I hope this finds you all well. Welcome to June 2024. We have been hard at work preparing for several prospective candidates to take those first steps in joining us and becoming Masons. The officers have had several practices but more than that, we have had several educational and discussion nights. We would welcome any other brethren to join us during these nights.

This generally occurs every Wednesday at 7pm.

In Freemasonry, we are taught that enlightenment is more than just an accumulation of knowledge or a series of milestones or titles. It is a process of unveiling the true self. The rituals, teachings, and symbols of Freemasonry serve as tools to help us chip through the layers which hinder our spiritual growth.

By embracing the tools we are given as Freemasons we gradually peel away the darkness within. Each act of kindness, each moment of introspection, and each lesson learned is a step toward revealing the divine spark which lives within us all.

And so the journey to enlightenment in Freemasonry is not about finding a path, but about illuminating the path we are already on. An inward journey, towards the very core of our being, where the light of truth, wisdom, and understanding shines.

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,

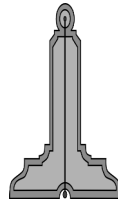
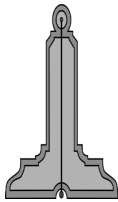
Your brother **Trevor Tanzillo**,

June-July Calendar

Mon Jun 3	Reservations for dinner due	Noon
Wed Jun 5	Stated Meeting Dinner	6:00 pm
	Stated Meeting	7:00 pm
Jun 6-8	Annual Communication, Mesa	
Wed Jun 12	Officer Practice	7:00 pm
Wed Jun 19	Masonic Education	7:00 pm
Wed Jul 3	Lodge Dark	
Wed Jul 10	Possible Official Visit	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 known when this edition is sent out. For example, one of the practices may become an official visit to another lodge.

From The West



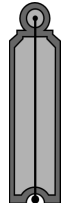
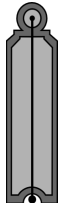
Editor's Note: Once again the Senior Warden is still out working in the quarries and did not have a chance to send in his article.

Gaslight Theatre

We are making another trek on Frida, September 20th at 8:30 pm, to see Shriek (a parody of True Love and Ogre acting). Join us at the Gaslight Theatre for an exciting new musical spoof, Shriek! Embark on an enchanting adventure as we reimagine this fractured fairy tale in true Gaslight style! Will Shriek discover true love with Princess Sharona? Will the nefarious Lord Kumquat wed her before she is rescued? Will it be fun for the entire family?! Join the Gaslight gang on this whimsical journey and find out! No, it's not a horror movie, but their parody of Shrek.

Tickets are \$22 for adults and \$17 for children. Reservations can be made to the secretary (as usual). We have 40 tickets reserved and they are going fast. We checked with the Gaslight and that evening is already sold out.

From The South



Hello from the South. We had a great turnout for the stated meeting dinner for May. Thank you for attending. We also had a nice stated meeting. I had the honor and privilege of sitting in the East, as our WM was traveling.

I also sat in the West for a military degree in Nogales 11 on May 4th. Normally that position is filled by RWB Leigh Creighton.

Dinner for the June stated meeting will be a pasta bake with the fixings. I hope those that are able to will join us.

I am looking forward to attending the Grand Lodge annual communications event. This will be the first time I will be eligible to vote and represent the lodge.

As summer is upon us, I will be spending more time in Pinetop, enjoying the White Mountains. I hope you all are doing well and have a great summer!

Darryl Weaver, Junior Warden

Lodge E-mail Address

Brethren, I have stopped responding to the lodge's tl4so@hotmail.com address as it has once been again hijacked. I changed the password again and the emails have stopped. (The password is a fairly cryptic one.) I cannot close the account as I will also lose the account we have under outlook.com. I am working with mailchimp to get the Hotmail refence removed. So, please, check your address books and make sure the lodge address is tl4so@outlook.com.

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.

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



"It is not always the same thing to be a good man and a good citizen." –Aristotle

We are in the season of patriotic holidays or days of remembrance. Earlier this week we honored those who paid the ultimate price while serving their nation. In June we celebrate and honor our national standard on Flag Day. And in July, we honor our independence from Great Britain with fireworks and parades. And while not really a holiday, we recognize those we call or consider our fathers—whether they be biological or have served as a father figure.

According to many, our country is facing a great turmoil. While we do not discuss politics in the lodge and need to be considerate of the political leanings (or non-leanings) of our brethren, we have been provided with guidance for this time of turmoil:

"AS A CITIZEN, you are enjoined to be exemplary in the discharge of your civil duties, by never proposing or countenancing any act which may have a tendency to subvert the peace and good order of society, by paying due obedience to the laws under whose protection you live, and by never losing sight of the allegiance due to your country."

How many of you recognize these words? You should as they are part of the Entered Apprentice Degree charge. This paragraph reinforces the lessons we were taught many, many years ago (for some of us) about what it meant to be a good citizen. I remember bringing a report card home where we got a grade for "Citizenship". It answered the question about how well you played and interacted with others. If you were to be graded on this today, what would your grade be? We all have room for improvement, no matter how hard we try. After all, we are learning to subdue our passions and to improve ourselves.

This will be my last plea for dues. (I can hear the cheering now as I may sound like a broken record. Some of you younger members may have to ask what a record is, but vinyl is making a comeback.) As of this writing we have 5 brothers who have yet to pay their dues. This is lowest number at this point for many years. Their names will be read at stated meeting as being in danger of suspension. I would prefer we do not extend their time to pay dues. If we extend the time to pay to the end of the year, then to be reinstated they would have to pay two years worth of dues. If we suspend in September, only one year needs to be paid if done before December.

JUNE MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

NAME	DAY	YEARS
JOSE RAMON GONZALEZ	01	16
BARRY MORRIS TUCKER	01	18
RICHARD BOOTH PERRYMAN	02	70
JOHN WILLIAM MYERES II	03	43
EDWIN CHARLES LEWIS	04	50
THEODORE HARRISON FAHS	07	50
FRANK JAY PROKOP	08	19
JACK CARSON ANDREWS, Sr	09	31
EARL C. STARR	09	52
JEFFREY DANIEL SWANGO	10	26
RICHARD ALLEN CLICK	11	45
BENJAMIN DEGAMO GARCIA	12	12
CRAIG ALLEN PRINK	16	14
WALTER HOWARD FRITZ	17	35
RAMON MARK SULLIVAN	18	51
BRAD DEWAYNE TEMPLETON	19	5
JEAN-CLAUDE MALTERRE	23	36
JOHN ABDERHAMAN MURAD, Jr	26	62
MICHAEL PALMER JOHNSON	28	7
ERIC ROGER IVEY	30	34

JULY MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

MICHAEL HUGH MATLOCK	09	21
JOHN WESLEY STOKES	12	44
RONALD IRVINE LYSSELL	15	33
SEBASTION, Jr CONDOR BABON	20	2
ROBERT FRANCIS GOEMANS	20	8
ANDREW HALES LYONS	20	3
JAMES RUSSELL STITH	20	56
MARK ALLEN VIRAMONTES	20	13
VIRGIL DEAN LARSEN	24	22
TRAVIS ROSS HUNGERFORD	28	3
JAMES ROBERT BELL	29	26
SAMUEL CAMPBELL GREER	29	9

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

After the stated meeting calls will then be made to remind them. I plan on sending the Warning of Suspension notice out at the end of July. So if you haven't paid your dues, please do so. If you need help with your dues, please let either the WM or I know as we still have several means at our disposal to assist. But we can't help if you don't tell us you need it.

See you in lodge!



FLAG DAY

Since we were in elementary school, most of us learned about Flag Day. This was usually through school programs and maybe even local parades. But what do we know of the history of this day.

The "original" flag consisted of 13 red and white alternating stripes and a Union Jack in the corner. However, Washington realized that flying a flag that was even remotely close to a British flag was not a moral builder. So, he started looking for a new one.

On June 14, 1777 the Second Continental Congress, in a break from writing the Articles of Confederation, passed a resolution that the flag of the United States be 13 stripes, alternate red and white, and the union will be 13 stars, white in a blue field representing a new constellation. It was widely believed that Betsy Ross made the first American flag. However, there is no historical evidence that she did so. It has been confirmed that France Hopkinson, a delegate from NJ and a signer of the Declaration of Independence designed the American Flag.

In 1885, Bernard Cigrand, a small-town Wisconsin teacher, originated the idea for an annual flag day to be celebrated across the country on June 14th. He led his school in the first formal observance of the holiday.

In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson officially established June 14th as Flag Day.

If you want some interesting reading, do a search on the US Flag Code and learn about all the do's and don'ts on regard to the flag.

"Happy flag day to each and every American. It is a proud day for us and we must celebrate it with zeal!"

CONGRATULATIONS!

It is not often we get to celebrate an accomplishment of one of our members. We have a brother who realized in high school he would need a scholarship to attend college. He put his mind to it and received an academic 4 year scholarship to the U of A. He continued to work hard and graduated in 4 years, something that is not a common occurrence today. But wait! There's more! As he was pursuing his degree, he petitioned Tucson Lodge #4 and completed his degrees in a little over 5 months. He is an officer of the lodge and we are all glad for him. On top of it, he just turned 21. Well done, Brother Gregory Pfister. So, when you see him, congratulate him on his accomplishments.

Ed Note -Many thanks to RWB Leigh Creighton for advising us of Gregory's achievements.

SUMMER SCHEDULE

As most of you know, per our by-laws the lodge is dark for July and August. What this means is there will NOT be a stated meeting those two months. The next stated meeting after June will be September 4th. While we won't have a stated meeting, the WM has a full schedule planned and we will be making several official visits to other lodges and have some more social nights—i.e. movie night, pot luck, etc... We will also be working to accomplish as many items on the Master Architect Award as we can so we can continue our streak. So pay attention to the weekly emails so you know what is going on. If you aren't receiving the weekly email, please let the secretary know.

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JUNE BIRTHDAYS

NAME	DAY
JON MCCARTY SCHMIDT	01
JOSHUA LEE STEWART	02
KENNETH LEROY HUNT, Jr	07
BRUCE EDWARD FULTZ	08
RUSSELL WAYNE DOTY	10
LOGAN WILLIAM GAITHER	10
DAVID ARTHUR BERNE	16
EDWARD WARNICK DUNGAN	19
PETER SCOTT CERAVOLO	20
JOHN LEE KALTENHAUSER	21
RUSSELL BLAIR JOHNSON, II	22
GLENN ROGER DAY	25
ROBERT LEE REID	26
DENNIS MICHAEL LOSS	28

JULY BIRTHDAYS

WILLIAM HAROLD ROSIER	01
DAVID GRANT LURTSEMA	02
GAYLORD ANTHONY STUBBE	05
WALTER MARLIN ROBB	06
ROBERT CHARLES CONRAD, PGM	08
RONALD IRVINE LYSSELL	10
JOHN PATRICK BOLDAC	11
STEVEN ORVAL ZIMMERMAN, PGM	11
BENJAMIN PHILLIP THORP, Jr	17
GORDON SCOTT HAINES	23
MARK WILLIAM ALBERTSEN	26
JERALD WAYNE HARVEY	26
WILLIAM RAYMOND HILL, Jr	26
JAMES PAYON ROLLINS	26
CRAIG LEE GROSS, PGM	28
FREDERICK WILLIAM BASS	29
GUY ALBERT HUMMON, II	29
ROGER NOBLE SMITH	31

Feel free to drop these brothers a card on their earthly birthday.

BROTHER IN NEED

We received word today the Bro John Bates and his wife lost everything when their residence burned down yesterday. They escaped with the clothes on their backs. A neighbor who is a winter visitor is providing a place for them to stay in the meantime. Bro John is a member of Nelson C. Bledsoe #74. They are need everything—food, money, clothes, you name it as the structure and contents are a total loss.

Their daughter set up a spotfund page (similar to Go-FundMe) for anyone who would like to make a donation. That link is <http://spot.fund/rqn84>. The name of it is Elderly Loose Everything (one word). If anyone wants to bring donations to the lodge, we will make sure they get to the family.

To offer them some privacy, if you would like to donate to them directly, please contact the secretary for their address and phone. Our secretary has confirmed the request with NCB's secretary, WB Wes Stokes.

GRAND CARE

Last month we said we would attach a copy of the Grand Care brochure and application to the trestle board. Guess what—we forgot to. So, we are going to include it this time. 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. And yes, they have both used GCARE and the process is quick and painless.

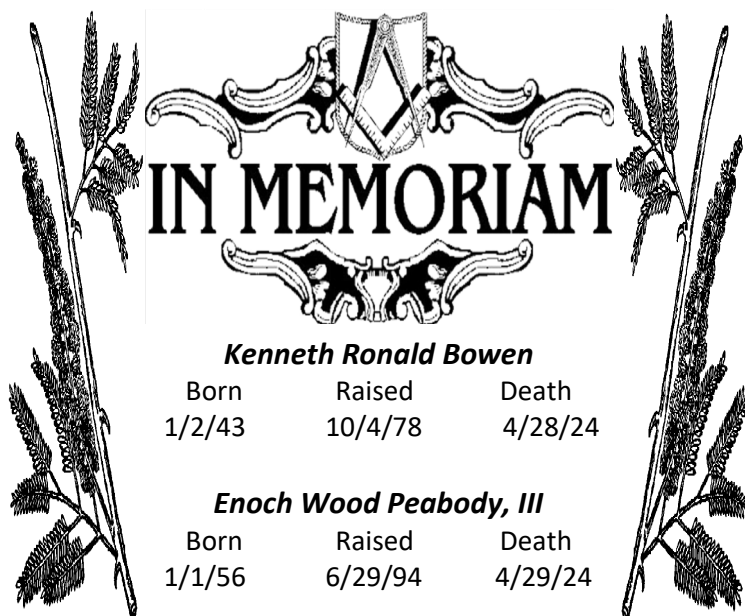
Our Sick and Distressed Brothers

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.

James Moore, Ralph Francis, Ron Hill, Earl Joseph Shambo, and Mary Yandell (Wes' wife).

While not a member of this lodge, he was a regular visitor, Tom Schnell passed away. He was Wes Yandell's brother-in-law.

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



IN MEMORIAM

Kenneth Ronald Bowen

Born	Raised	Death
1/2/43	10/4/78	4/28/24

Enoch Wood Peabody, III

Born	Raised	Death
1/1/56	6/29/94	4/29/24



2024 LODGE OFFICERS

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 Senior StewardWilliam Predgo (Cheryl)
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City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ Phone _____

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Print Name _____

Applicant's Signature _____

Print Name _____

Signature of Parent, Guardian, or under Conservatorship (if applicant is under 18) _____

Form GC-1



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