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DRESS CODE

For the winter months, our dress code for stated meetings will be suit and tie for officers. Other members should use business casual. During degree meetings, tuxedos or dark suit, white shirt and tie for degree team members and officers and business attire for sideliners.



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May

- 1st at 9:15 am: Campo Bello – Bikes for Books
- 1st at 6:30 pm: May Officer's / Trustee Meeting
- 8th at 7 pm: Stated meeting. Dinner prior to the meeting at 6 pm.
- 15th at 6:30 pm: candidate proficiency
- 22nd at 6:30 pm: candidate proficiency
- 29th at 6:30 pm: Anatomy of Ritual

June

- 5th at 7:30 pm: Acacia visit
- 12th at 7 pm: Stated meeting. Dinner prior to the meeting at 6 pm.
- 16th at 5:pm: Cinco de Mason
- 19th at 6:30 pm: candidate proficiency
- 26nd at 6:30 pm: Bowling

July

- 10th at 6:30 pm: July officer's Meeting
- 17th at 7 pm: Stated meeting. Dinner prior to the meeting at 6 pm.
- 24th at 6:30 pm: A night with Ray
- 31nd at 6:30 pm: Bowling

FROM THE EAST



Worshipful Bryon P. Howe PM

Brethren,

Regardless of our circumstances, we always have a choice. We can choose more of the same; or we can recognize this moment is different and that we can be different, too.
-Lori Deschene

Great Masons are not born, they're self-made. You can spot them a mile away, even when they're brand new, fresh out of ritual. They exhibit traits and Masonic habits that distinguish them from the average. They begin a journey with four very distinct stages; they are "great Masons" at each stage, but add very different value to my team with each progression.

Stage 1: The Hard Worker — "how should I do it?"

The Hard Worker is always on-time, very focused on her job, and exceedingly attentive to detail. In this stage, they want to learn "the how" of masonry. As such, they're a bit time-consuming to mentor, but, once shown the ropes a few times, can repeat the function of their role very autonomously, and with high quality and reliability.

Stage 2: The Can-Doer — "what do I need to do?"

The Can-Doer is pretty self-sufficient once directed; they either already know "the how" of their job or have sufficient intuition to figure it out; they just need to be told what needs to get done and their typical response is: "can do!" The Can-Doer is a dependable mason who works very well off of task lists. He or She takes much less time to manage from the onset.

Stage 3: The Driver — "why do we need to do something?"

We all know these people: the Drivers. They're the people in the Lodge who know all of the inner workings of the business and where "all the bodies are buried." These rare Masons of greatness need only be told why there's a problem or opportunity and they're off to the races figuring out whom to tap in the organization, which systems need to be modified, and what special favors need to be leveraged to get the job done. If you want to know who these people are, just ask yourself this: when the Lodge has a critical initiative that needs to be addressed, who is called upon to be involved? The names you come up with are probably "the Same Ten People" (the "STP") the very vast majority of the time.

Stage 4: The Successor — "I'm implementing a concept that will benefit all!"

Where do graduates of the STP club move to? The answer: an even more rare club of employee you deem your Successor. Your Successor is your right hand, they're the "jack of all trades" who independently identifies opportunities, knows why they're critical to the Masonry, what needs to happen to address them, and how to get it done. What do you need to tell them? Nothing. This is the same young man or young woman who arrived years earlier at your Lodge step as a Hard Worker, eager to learn and work hard. And, now, they're not only your right hand, they're who you're leaving the keys to when you depart.

Don't waste your time looking back, you're not going that way.

Sincerely and Fraternally,
Bryon Howe, PM
Worshipful Master Phoenicia 58 F&AM - 2018
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2 Year

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3 Year

Trustee WB Tony Hernandez

Note: The Lodge Secretary is constantly trying to ensure that we have the most accurate information for each member. But if you move, or get a new phone # or email, please contact him so we can update our database!

FROM THE WEST



Brother Christopher B. West - Sr. Warden

What is Freemasonry?

As someone who wears a masonic lapel pin on my suit jacket everywhere I go in my professional life, I get this question frequently. Yet, I don't think I've ever answered the questions the same way twice.

As we learn very early on in our Masonic lives, the standard answer to this question is: (1) "Masonry is a system of morality veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols." Give that answer to any non-Mason and you'll quickly see their eyes glaze over. That answer doesn't really answer the question, but if anything leads to even more questions. The first usually being, "what does 'allegory' mean?"

What is Freemasonry? The Courts have defined what Freemasonry is. In Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite vs. Board of County Commissioners, 122 Neb. 586, 241 N.W. 93 (1932), a tax case, the court described Freemasonry as (2) "a system that teaches as a foundational principle faith in God and immortality of the soul." This case went on to make clear that Masonry is not sectarian, holding no affinity to one particular religion, even though it does indeed use as its foundations religious teachings. It aims to bring its devotees a deeper and more conscious contact with "spiritual things," it more generally states.

What is Freemasonry? To the extent that religious purposes include the field of morals, which they do, Masonry makes common cause with organized religion. Meaning, it (3) isn't a religion, but it sure shares a lot of the same traits.

As we learn in the 1st Degree Lecture, when we are asked "in whom do you place your trust?", it is necessary that we convey a belief in some higher power; be it whoever or whatever, but it need be someone or something, otherwise the obligation that we take would be meaningless for there is no greater consequence holding us to our oath.

What is Freemasonry? Freemasonry is tolerant of all faiths and builds a moral and spiritual fellowship on the foundations of fundamental morality common to them all. It kind of sounds like Freemasonry is all the religions wrapped up into one.

The Masonic Service Association of North America, states that (4) "Freemasonry by its teachings and effort seeks to make real the invisible power of love, the intrinsic worth of harmony, and the beauty and eternal reality of the ideal."

What is Freemasonry? We can't forget Charity, right? It's supposed to be the most important and often times it is in our charitable endeavors that those outside the Craft get a small glimpse of what Freemasonry is all about. (5) Masonry is strongly devoted to charity, which constitutes a very substantial and major part of our endeavors. If you think about it, most if not all of our public activities, across all of Masonry's appendant bodies, are devoted to charitable purposes, most of which fall within the definition of "education"; Bikes for Books, Scholarships, Teacher Grants, Working Tools for Students, all being great examples.

So here I've given you at least five (5) possible answers to the question "What is Freemasonry?" What answer(s) to you commonly give to that question?

Christopher West
SW, Phoenicia #58

2018 COMMITTEES

Awards: WM Bryon Howe ★ / WB Ray Brigandi

Beneficent Fund: WM Bryon Howe ★ / Bro Chris West / WB Jeff Hinson

Calling Committee: WM Bryon Howe ★ / WB WB Ray Brigandi

Candidate Progression: Bro Steven Dilda ★ / Vacant

Degree and Ritual Proficiency: Bro Chris West ★ / WB Bill Phelps

Fraternal Relations: Bro Mat Brassard ★ / WB Greg Weisman ★

Fundraising: WM Bryon Howe ★ / Bro Chris West / Vacant

Funeral Team: WM: WB Ray Brigandi / SW: WB Tony Hernandez / JW: Bro Chris West / Chaplain: Bro Joe Pappas / Extra: WB Bill Phelps

Hospitality: Bro Mat Brassard ★ / Bro Johnny Weisman / Bro Steven Hooper

Masonic Education: Bro Joe Pappas ★ / Bro Chris West / WB Ray Brigandi

Membership and Retention: WB Bill Phelps ★ / Bro Mat Brassard / Bro Steven Dilda

Public Schools Chair: Bro Chris West ★ / WB Ray Brigandi / WB Tony Hernandez

Reports of sickness or distress: WM Bryon Howe ★ / WB Ray Brigandi

ROJO Coordinator: Chris West ★ / Vacant

Social: Bro Mat Brassard ★ / Vacant

Trestleboard: WM Bryon Howe ★ / WB Ray Brigandi / Bro Steven Dilda



FROM THE SOUTH

Brother Mathew A. Brassard - Jr. Warden



Greetings from the South my Brothers.

We had a great discussion about a possible membership drive with large ambitions at the last officers practice. I had the opportunity to watch a small idea that started between the Worshipful Master and myself slowly start to take shape and become more and more refined by the hands of the Officers and brothers of the lodge. I listened to words backed by caution, concern and experience. I witnessed rebuttals and counterpoints made with the enthusiasm and the excitement of understanding what this type of work could do for the lodge. It was a beautiful thing to behold. I would like to encourage of member of the lodge to attend the next officers meeting and get involved.

Like many lodges we are faced with the question of how to grow our lodge. How do we let good men know who we are and where they can find us? This is a great opportunity to have your voice heard and be of real service to the lodge. I encourage every member to attend the next officers practice, where we will be further refining and exploring the action plan for our growing idea. To far for you to drive that day? Contact me and we can have you attend virtually via video or phone. Otherwise engaged that night but you still want to help in some small compacity? Fantastic! Let's discuss what you are willing or able to do and I can send you the notes from the meeting. I believe we have an opportunity to define how hard we all must work in the future with how successful we are at recruiting new members.

Finally, I would like to give a shout out to our Worshipful Master and Past Masters Ray Brigandi and Tony Hernandez. These three have been working diligently all year for the benefit of the lodge. They orchestrated the most recent poker tournament with smooth efficiency. The food was spot on, the game was exhilarating, and we had an opportunity to meet some Brothers from another lodge. It was a fantastic night. I sincerely look forward to the next one...but maybe not as much as some newcomers who will be looking for some revenge.

Fraternally,

Mat Brassard

JR Warden

Phoenicia #58

SUBMITTED ARTICLE

Bro Joe Pappas



From the Chaplain's Corner

Author: Bro Joe Pappas

As Masons, we come from a Lodge of the Holy Saints John of Jerusalem. One of these, St. John the Baptist, has a Feast Day celebrated on June 24th.

By history, custom, tradition and ritualistic requirements, the Craft holds in veneration the Festival Days of St. John the Baptist on June 24th, and St. John the Evangelist on December 27th.

St. John the Baptist was the cousin of Jesus of Nazareth, known as the Christ. He is one of only two people in the Bible born without Original Sin. The Holy Mother Mary was born without Original Sin because she was foreordained to be the mother of the Christ child.

At the Annunciation, when the Archangel Gabriel appeared to the Virgin Mary to inform her that she would conceive of the Holy Ghost Jesus, he also informed her that Elizabeth, her cousin, was already six months pregnant. Luke's Gospel recounts that the baby "leapt" in Elizabeth's womb at the greeting of Mary. At that time St. John was cleansed of Original Sin in his mother's womb.

For this reason, the being born without Original Sin, Mary and St. John's Feast Days are celebrated on the dates of their birth, whereas the Feast Days of all the other saints are celebrated on the day of their death, to commemorate the day they ascended to Heaven.

Any Blue Lodge that forgets either of these important Feast Days forfeits a precious link to the past and loses an opportunity for the renewal of allegiance to everything in Freemasonry symbolized by these Patron Saints.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

AWARDS

Master Architect Award first submission is done, only this Monthly, one special trestleboard and the Anatomy of Ritual night left.

CALLING COMMITTEE

Brothers, the new list is out, get your talking points moving

CANDIDATE PROGRESSION

Bro. Gary Pyle – Turned in 2nd Degree Proficiency / Bro. Larry Wright – No word / Bro. Alan Houseman – No word

DEGREE AND RITUAL PROFICIENCY

Bro. Steve Dilda: Open, close, obligate in 1st Degree

FUNDRAISING

Active fundraisers: ROJO, George Washington Whiskey, Skateboard.

FUNERAL TEAM

Had a practice, 12 people attended

HOSPITALITY

May – Bro Joe Konen

Jun - Bro Mat Brassard

Jul - WB Jeff Hinson

MEMBERSHIP AND RETENTION

Phoenicia membership number is now 66. 44 in good standing, 18 PLM's, 2 SLM's, and 2 reg 19's.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS CHAIR

May 22- Chromebook, Flagpole, Bikes for Books

Oct 23 – Teacher BBQ

REPORTS OF SICKNESS OR DISTRESS

Bro Gary pile – recovering from toe surgery

SOCIAL

Possibly - Ben Avery Skeet / Trap shoot

June 16 – Cinco De Mason – Bro Joe Konen house



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OTHER MASONIC BODIES MEETING IN OUR LODGE HALL

	Paradise Valley Silver Trowel Lodge No. 29 Stated Meeting: 7:30 pm on the 1 st Wednesday. Special meetings are hold nearly every Wed. Contact secretary Jack Bender (jackeb8@msn.com)
	Stars of Paradise #56 Order of the Eastern Star 2 nd and 4 th Thursday (dark in the summer)
	Bethel #19, Job's Daughters Meet on 2 nd and 4 th Mondays at 7 pm. The Bethel is in reorganization, contact the PVST #29 Lodge Secretary for latest contact information.

Happy Masonic Birthday to these brothers.

Masonic Anniversaries		
Brother's Name	Date Raised	Years
Joseph Frank Konen	5/2/2017	1
Ernesto Zamorano	5/6/2000	18
Robert Leslie Johnson	5/12/2012	6
Randy Pelton	5/14/1998	20
John Scott Eastin	5/15/1991	27
Mathis Becker	5/16/1968	50
Kurt Eldridge	5/20/1999	19
Joseph Papas Jr.	5/26/2009	9
Terry Lee Stoner	5/27/2003	15
Alexander Paletsos	5/28/1965	53
Raymond Brigandi P.M.	6/5/2007	11
William Warren Jr	6/5/1970	48
Jared Thomas Truettner	6/7/2016	2
Chester Hinson P.M.	6/15/1962	56
John Corcetti	6/16/1982	36
James Leland Butler	6/23/1978	40

PHOENICIA PAST MASTERS

William H. Peotter - 1960 ☞
 Carl D. Lang - 1961 ☞
 H. Curtis DeShong - 1962 ☞
 Augustine G. DiPaola - 1963 ☞
 Perry Wheat, Jr. - 1964 ☞
 Robert A. Anglin - 1965 ☞
 Marvin R. Strickland - 1966 ☞
 Albert A. Hinchcliff - 1967 ☞
 Garrett L. Hendershot - 1968 ☞
 Raymond O. Marshall - 1969 ☞
 Cecil P. Overstreet - 1970, 1986 ☞
 Norman H. Pfeiffer - 1971, 1982 ☞
 Benjamin H. Fisk - 1972 ☞
 Donese B. Tackett - 1973 ☞
 Gordon L. Meintell - 1974
 Maurice E. Pebbles - 1975
 Charles Q. Hartley - 1976
 Robert L. Allision - 1977 ☞
 Neil D. Shepard - 1978 ☞
 Theodore E. Pearson - 1979 ☞
 Chester R. Hinson - 1980, 1981
 George E. Hinson - 1983, 1984 ☞
 William E. Dillon - 1985 ☞
 Howard E. Ward - 1987
 Robert P. Taber - '88, '89, '96, '99, '01
 Philip T. Zeilinger - 1990, 1991
 Joel R. Adams - 1992, 1993 ☞
 Anthony Humpage - 1994
 Ernie L. Waller Sr. - 1995 ☞
 David Newman - 1997
 James W. Brown - 1998
 Keith A. Simpson - 2002, 2003
 Don S. Methven - 2004, 2007 ☞
 Randall G. Smith - 2005
 Gregory S. Weisman - 2006, 2008
 Eric Stethem - 2009
 Ray Brigandi - 2010, 2012
 Jeffrey Hinson - 2011
 Jason Schneider - 2013
 Glen H. Van Steeter - 2014
 Jason Easterday - 2015
 Tony Hernandez - 2016/2017

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Sidney Breger ☞
 Chadwick Burks
 William Franklin ☞
 Lucius L. Green ☞
 William E. Phelps
 Thomas Burke
 ☞ - Deceased

The officers of Phoenicia Lodge No. 58 express their gratitude to all the brethren who have served the Lodge as Masters and who continue to serve as Past Masters. They who have gone before us have laid the foundation and the lower stories of the speculative building that we call "Phoenicia Lodge" for which we are indebted. We especially thank those Past Masters who continue to serve the Lodge that we may ever continue to build a magnificent edifice, in service to mankind and to the Great Architect who has given us every good and great thing and whose forgiveness we all rely upon.



ARIZONA STATE DeMOLAY INSTALLTION OF
MASONIC BROTHER HARRISON CANTRELL

On Saturday, 14 July 2018, Arizona DeMolay will hold the 2018 Annual Banquet. The dinner event includes recognition of outstanding achievements and the installation of the State DeMolay Officers for the coming year. Making the event special for Sun City Lodge members is that a Master Mason of Sun City Lodge, Harrison Cantrell, will be installed as the Arizona DeMolay State Master Councilor. It is not often that a DeMolay State Master Councilor is a Master Mason at the time of his installation.

The banquet will be held at the Doubletree by Hilton Hotel, 10220 N Metro Parkway East in Phoenix. Festivities begin at 6:00 PM. Cost of the chicken dinner event is \$35.00 per person. Members of Sun City Lodge are encouraged to consider attending the dinner and being present for the installation of Harrison Cantrell as State Master Councilor. The dinner is open to non-Masons and non-DeMolay.

Below is a form that can be used to make a dinner reservation. For additional information, contact Dave Miller at 602.17.6136, dmiller154@cox.net.

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