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EVENTS



JULY

**All events will begin at 6PM unless otherwise stated.*

July 4 th , 2023	Independence Day
July 11 th , 2023	July Stated Meeting
July 18 th , 2023	2 nd Degree Practice
July 25 th , 2023	2 nd Degree

AUGUST

August 1 st , 2023	August Officers Meeting
August 8 th , 2023	August Stated Meeting
August 15 th , 2023	Open Date
August 22 nd , 2023	Open Date

A MESSAGE FROM THE WORSHIPFUL MASTER



WORSHIPFUL MASTER STEVE HOOPER



Brethren,

Greetings from the east. It's looking like a busy summer for 58. We've had multiple first degrees, our first ever "double" initiation degree, and more to come. Brother Ed Perez has already passed his first-degree proficiency and we are planning his second degree now. There will surely be more to follow in the very near future. Due to this influx of degrees, the lodge bowling tournament is being scheduled around them, including Saturdays.

For those who didn't know, we've ordered new lodge jewels. The ones we are currently using are quite old and are starting to wear out. They are being made locally by a mason owned company and are sure to be an improvement over the current collection.

Finally, a big shout out to our volunteers who worked at recent events at the stadium. The George Strait concert brought in a staggering \$2,800.00 alone, which is an all-time record. Historically speaking, the Metallica show a couple years ago was a big money maker, and they have two shows scheduled this summer! Anyone who wants to participate in these endeavors can contact WB Reed Houge for training, all are welcome.

Fraternally,

Steve Hooper
Worshipful Master

A MESSAGE FROM THE SENIOR WARDEN



WB REED HOUGE – SR. WARDEN



Brethren,

Greetings Brothers, recently a few of us from Phoenicia Lodge #58 attended the 141st annual Grand Communications of the Most Worshipful Lodge of Arizona and I thought I'd provide an overview of the event for the ones that could not attend.

AZ Grand Lodge Communication is generally the same time each year at the beginning of June, this year the actual dates were from Thursday thru Saturday, 6/1 thru 6/3 and was held at Wild Horse Pass Casino in Chandler AZ.

I always enjoy going to GL Communications for the purpose of learning what is important to all the Masons in the state and why. For instance, a very informative and useful meeting we

attended was the Secretary's meeting intended for all the Lodge Secretaries throughout the state and was hosted by Grand Secretary, VWB/MWB Greg Vasquez. MWB Greg listened to the questions and concerns of the lodges and provided solutions where he could and took notes to where it can be improved. One of the lively topics was Grandview where everyone had a comment or two.

Next, we attended the Jurisprudence meeting where MWB Earl Wunder walked through the proposed resolutions and provided input on why they were proposed. This was a very interesting meeting since you were able to put in your input as well as hear other suggestions.

One meeting I did not attend but wish I had was the Treasurer's meeting hosted by our Grand Treasurer VWB Ron Richards. This is a good meeting to attend since you are filled in on the various changes and suggestions.

These are open to all Master Masons and worth the time to attend even if you don't have the time to attend the remaining items on the agenda.

During the two days of reports, legislation, and elections we covered the following:

A special thanks to WB Ray Brigandi for taking such good notes during the conference and is where most of this information below came from

A MESSAGE FROM THE JUNIOR WARDEN

WB TONY HERNANDEZ – JR WARDEN



Brethren,

Greetings from the South,

The Arizona summer is upon us. Suits and ties have been replaced with polo shirts and lightweight trousers yet, the lodge is still busy raising funds and providing support to the community. Recent activities include a Bikes for Books / Rider 3 Chromebooks presentation at Campo Bello Elementary School, as well as an additional Riders 3 Chromebooks presentation at Sunset Canyon Elementary School. Please allow me to share more information about these events as all four of the Chromebooks were funded

by Phoenicia Lodge this year. The presentations have become a way for our lodge to team up with the Riders 3 to impact our communities directly. For the Chromebooks presentations, students are chosen by the faculty of the schools on the basis of citizenship and scholastic work ethic. The Riders of the 3rd degree along with their motorcycles were on hand to make the presentations, which are highly anticipated by the students and staff. If you have never attended a “Working Tools for Students” (Chromebooks) presentation, I highly recommend it. Being there puts it all in perspective when you see the look on the faces of the chosen students. As the current President of the Riders 3; and on behalf of the Riders 3, I would like to thank the lodge and Brethren for the generous donation to make four Chromebooks available to deserving students who would otherwise go unnoticed and unrecognized. Growing the Working Tools for Students program is what Freemasonry is all about and Phoenicia Lodge is on the forefront.

Sincerely and fraternally,
WB Tony Hernandez
Junior Warden

From the West – continued;

- Reports: 43 Committee Reports ranging from the Grand Masters Actions, Visitations, Decisions, Dispensations, Edicts and Approvals along with the Grand Treasurer, Grand Trustees, Grand Secretaries and Deputy Grand Masters reports and the 17 other committee reports submitted for admission and recordation into the proceedings book.
- The Legislation: 25 items to vote on. NOTE “AM” is abbreviation for “As Amended”
 - 2022 Carryover Resolutions:
 - 2022-04, Ritual Change “Regular” meeting to “Stated” meeting. Passed
 - 2022-03 Amendment of the AMC removing “Worshipful” from WM. **Failed**
 - 2022-10, Ritual Correction, page 133, replace “three” with “thee” fellowcrafts. Passed
 - 2022-11, Ritual Change allowing “Calling to and from Refreshment” on all degrees. **Failed**
 - 2022-12, Innovation of Ritual, WM should stay in the East on 3rd Degree. **Failed**
 - 2022-13, Amendment EA Lecture, replace “Second” section with “First” section. **Failed**
 - 2023 Proposed legislation:
 - 2023-01, Grand Masters Recommendation. Passed
 - 2023-02, Amendment of Constitution, Trial Sections 9-2, 9-3, 9-4. Passed
 - 2023-03, Amendment of Statute, Section 17-501. Passed
 - 2023-04, Wardens and Others Who May Open a Lodge. Passed
 - 2023-05, Background Checking Service. **Failed**
 - 2023-06, Statute Section 13-301. Passed
 - 2023-07, Reporting Trial Commissioners. Passed
 - 2023-08, Ritual Correction of Stewards Seating. NOT VOTED ON, sent to Ritual Review
 - 2023-09, Constitution 3-1.4.3 “Outside council for Gr Treasurer”. **Failed, Carried Over**
 - 2023-10, Statute 14-101 Passed
 - 2023-11, Statute Chapter 18 Passed AM
 - 2023-12, Constitution 6.1 “Research Lodges” verbiage. Passed
 - 2023-13, Statute 10-705 “Alcohol Policy” Passed AM
 - 2023-14, Minor Statute Corrections. Passed
 - 2023-15, Statute Cross References. Passed
 - 2023-16, Constitution Cross References. Passed
 - 2023-17, “Refusal of Charges Appealed”. Passed
 - 2023-18, “Right to Visit”. Withdrawn

We lost 437 Brothers this year (170 to Death), (56 Demitted), (207 SNPD).
Our membership total is now at 5,736 Masons in the State of Arizona.

These meetings may not be a draw for some but I strongly suggest our members attend.
Remember, you can’t complain about a situation if you don’t try to learn what’s wrong and become part of the solution.

Fraternally,

BROTHERHOOD AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH



The Brethren of the Riders of the 3rd Degree and Phoenicia #58 teamed up in May to present deserving students at Sunset Canyon Elementary with new Chrome Books.



JULY - AUGUST MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

Worshipful Brother Philip Zeilinger P.M.	7/28/1964	59	July
Worshipful Brother Charles Quinton Hartley P.M.	7/30/1968	55	July
Worshipful Brother Chadwick Barrett Burks P.M.	7/15/2002	21	July
Brother Donald Head	7/18/2002	21	July
Mr. Reed Allan Houge P.M.	7/13/2013	10	July
Worshipful Brother Mathew Aaron Brassard P.M.	8/9/2014	9	August
Brother Clifford Wimberly	8/21/2001	22	August
Brother Jonathan Weisman	8/3/2010	13	August
Brother Scott Hewitt	8/30/2011	12	August
Brother Joshua Alan Anderson	8/1/2015	8	August



The Grand Master's Polo Shirt and Coin Are Available To Order!



DRESS CODE

The dress code for Phoenicia Lodge #58 will be professional casual for Stated Meetings. This means slacks, button-down collared shirt, dress shoes. No jeans, shorts, sandals or running shoes. Tie and jacket are not required but are your choice. During the summer months, we will step back to Lodge pullovers instead of collared shirts.

NON-ACTIVE MEMBERS

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!

EDUCATION ARTICLES



THE TWELVE POINTS WERE BASED UPON THE 12 SONS OF JACOB, AND
SYMBOLIZED
THE PATH OF THE CANDIDATE THROUGH HIS FIRST DEGREE.

1. OPENING OF THE LODGE: REFERS TO THE TRIBE OF REUBEN, THE FIRST BORN OF JACOB - THE BEGINNING OF HIS STRENGTH. WITHOUT THE OPENING, THERE WOULD BE NO LODGE.
2. PREPARATION OF THE CANDIDATE: WAS TO SYMBOLIZE THE TRIBE OF SIMEON, BECAUSE SIMEON PREPARED THE INSTRUMENTS FOR SLAUGHTER OF THE SHEMITES. IN PART, IT SYMBOLIZES THE MASONIC ABHORENCE TO CRUELTY, MANIFEST IN THAT EVENT. (BEING DIVESTED/DEVOID OF ALL METALLIC OBJECTS).
3. THE REPORT OF THE S.D. REFERS TO THE TRIBE OF LEVI. LEGEND HAS IT THAT LEVI SIGNALLED HIS BROTHER SIMEON IN THE EXECUTION OF THE SLAUGHTER OF THE SCHEMITES. MASONRY DENOUNCES CRUELTY TO A HELPLESS PEOPLE.
4. ENTRY OF THE CANDIDATE INTO THE LODGE: SYMBOLIZES THE TRIBE OF JUDAH, FOR THEY WERE THE FIRST TO CROSS THE RIVER JORDAN, AND ALLUDES TO THE PASSING OF THE CANDIDATE FROM THE WILDERNESS OF DARKNESS INTO THE LAND LIGHT AND LIBERTY.
5. THE PRAYER: SYMBOLIZES THE TRIBE OF ZEBULUN, BECAUSE THE PRAYERS AND BLESSING OF JACOB WERE GIVEN TO IN DEFERENCE TO HIS BROTHER ISSACHAR.
6. THE CIRCUMABULATION: REFERS TO THE THE TRIBE OF ISSACHAR. BEING SOMEWHAT SHIFTLESS IN CHARACTER, THIS TRIBE NEEDED A SPECIAL LEADER TO ADVANCE THEM TO AN ELEVATION EQUAL TO THE OTHER TRIBES.

7. ADVANCING TO THE ALTAR OF FREEMASONRY SYMBOLIZES THE TRIBE OF DAN. IT SHOWS US THAT WE SHOULD ADVANCE TO TRUTH AND HOLINESS WITH SPEED, IN CONTRAST TO THE RAPID DECLINE OF DAN INTO IDOLATRY.
8. THE OBLIGATION: REFERS TO THE TRIBE OF GAD, AND ALLUDES TO THE SOLEMN VOW MADE BY JEPHTHAH, JUDGE OF ISRAEL, AND A MEMBER OF THIS TRIBE.
9. THE ENTRUSTING WITH THE MYSTERIES OF THE ORDER: WAS SYMBOLIZED BY THE TRIBE OF ASHER, FOR THIS TRIBE WAS PRESENTED WITH THE FULL FRUITS OF MASONIC KNOWLEDGE.
10. THE INVESTITURE OF THE LAMBSKIN: REFERS TO THE TRIBE OF NAPHTALI, FOR THIS TRIBE WAS INVESTED WITH A PECULIAR FREEDOM BY MOSES IN THE PROPHECY, "O NAPHTALI, SATISFIED WITH FAVOR AND FULL WITH BLESSINGS OF THE LORD, POSSESS THOU THE WEST AND SOUTH."
11. CEREMONY IN THE NORTH EAST CORNER: REFERS TO THE TRIBE OF JOSEPH, AND HIS TWO SONS EPHRAIM AND MANASSEH, HEADS OF TWO HALF TRIBES.
12. CLOSING OF THE LODGE: REFERS TO THE TRIBE OF BENJAMIN, THE YOUNGEST SON OF JACOB: THUS CLOSING HIS STRENGTH.

COMMITTEE REPORTS



AUDIT AND TRUSTEES REPORT;

Q2 2023 is scheduled for July 18th.

AWARDS;

At the 2023 Grand Lodge Communication, Phoenicia received yet another Master Architect Award.

BENEFICENT FUND;

No requests.

CALLING COMMITTEE;

No report. Calls into our elderly members will take place before next stated.

DEGREE AND RITUAL PROFICIENCY;

We have six (6), and soon to be eight (8) Brothers working on their various proficiencies.

FRATERNAL RELATIONS;

Stars of Paradise, 2nd and 4th Thursday of the Month.

Valley of the Sun DeMolay, 1st and 3rd Sundays of the Month

FUNDRAISING;

Currently seeking volunteers for ROJO (Cards Stadium) games, concerts, and other live events!

MASONIC EDUCATION;

Included in this TB.

MEMBERSHIP/RETENTION;

Current Membership is at 56. We have 14 new inquiries!

PUBLIC SCHOOLS;

Next Bikes for Books and Chrome Book events will be in the Fall.

REPORTS OF SICKNESS AND DISTRESS;

WB Greg Wisemen had heart surgery. Please keep him, Brother Johnny, and the entire Wisemen family in your thoughts and prayers as our WB deals with his recovery.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP ROLL

Committee	Members	Who
Audit and Trustees	1yr; WB Bryon Howe, 2yr; WB Robert Haynes, 3yr WB Christopher West (Contact West at 804.986.6011)	Active members
Awards	Chair: WM Steve Hooper / WB Ray Brigandi Focus: Master Architect 2021 (Contact Info on Page 2)	WM / Sec
Beneficent Fund:	Chair: WM Steve Hooper / WB Reed Houge (Contact Info on Page 2)	WM / SW/ JW
Calling Committee:	Chair: WM Steve Dilda / WB Ray Brigandi / WB Robert Haynes, WB Randy Smith (Contact Info on Page 2)	Sec / PM / PM
Candidate Progression:	Chair: Rodger Marx / WB Ray Brigandi (Contact Info on Page 2)	SW / Sec
Degree and Ritual Proficiency:	Chair: WB Ray Brigandi (Contact Info on Page 2)	Ritualistic
Fraternal Relations:	Co-Chairs: WB Bryon Howe (Contact Info on Page 2)	Youth Groups
Fundraising:	Chair: WB Reed Houge, Bro. Rodger Marx (Contact Info on Page 2)	WM / SW / JW
Funeral Team:	WM: WB Steve Dilda / WB Reed Houge / WB Chris West / WB Ray Brigandi (Contact Info on Page 2)	Volunteer
Hospitality:	Chair: WB Reed Houge, JD Hunter Odell, SS Seth Ross (Contact Info on Page 2)	JW / SS / JS
Masonic Education:	Co-Chairs: WM Steve Hooper / WB Ray Brigandi (Contact Info on Page 2)	Volunteer
Membership and Retention:	Chair: Bro. Rodger Marx, WB Robert Haynes (Contact Info on Page 2)	PM / SW / Active member
Public Schools	Chair: WB Tony Hernandez (Contact Info on Page 2)	Appointed by WM
Reports of sickness or distress:	Chair: WB Robert Haynes (Contact Info on Page 2)	WM Appoints
Social:	Chair: WB Tony Hernandez, JD Hunter Odell, SS Seth Ross (Contact Info on Page 2)	JW / SS / JS
Trestle Board:	Chair: WB Chris West / WB Bryon Howe (Contact WB West @ 804.986.6011)	Appointed by WM

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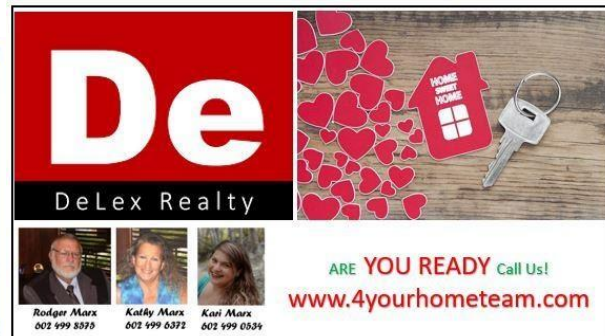
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Masonic Bodies



PARADISE VALLEY SILVER TROWEL LODGE NO. 29
 STATED MEETING: 7:30 PM ON THE 1ST
 WEDNESDAY.
 SPECIAL MEETINGS ARE HOLD NEARLY EVERY WED.
 CONTACT SECRETARY



STARS OF PARADISE #56 ORDER OF THE EASTERN
 STAR
 2ND AND 4TH THURSDAY (DARK IN THE SUMMER)
 CONTACT SECRETARY



BETHEL #19, JOB'S DAUGHTERS
 MEET ON 2ND AND 4TH MONDAYS AT 7 PM.
 CONTACT THE PVST #29 LODGE SECRETARY FOR
 LATEST CONTACT INFORMATION.
 CONTACT SECRETARY

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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.

Phoenicia Past Masters

WILLIAM H. PEOTTER - 1960 ☞
 CARL D. LANG - 1961 ☞
 H. CURTIS DESHONG - 1962 ☞
 AUGUSTINE G. DIPAOLO - 1963 ☞
 PERRY WHEAT, JR. - 1964 ☞
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 '01 ☞
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