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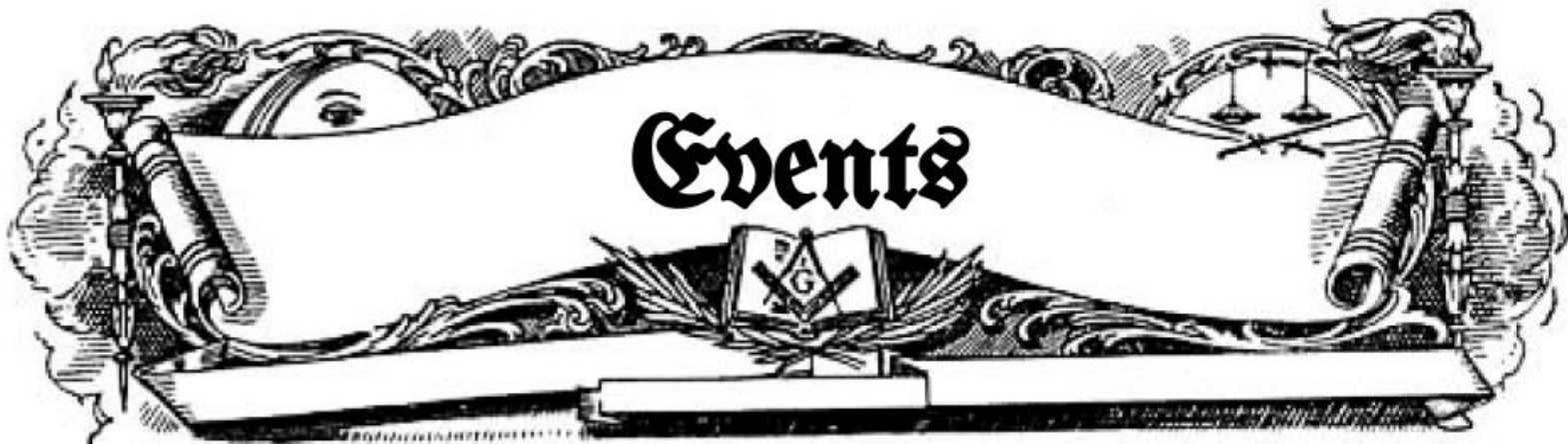
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## MAY

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

May 4 <sup>th</sup> , 2021	OFFICERS MEETING / TRUSTEES COMMITTEE
May 11 <sup>th</sup> , 2021	MAY STATED MEETING
May 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2021	EA DEGREE PRACTICE
May 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 2021	EA DEGREE
May 25 <sup>th</sup> , 2021	EA DEGREE (YES, A 2 <sup>ND</sup> EA!)

## JUNE

June 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2021	EA DEGREE (YES, A 3 <sup>RD</sup> EA!)
June 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 2021 (Weds)	OFFICERS MEETING AHEAD OF AZGC
June 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> , 2021	GRAND LODGE COMMUNICATION (Prescott, Arizona)
June 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2021	JUNE STATED MEETING
June 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2021	EDUCATION AND FELLOWSHIP NIGHT
June 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 2021	(OPEN)
June 26 <sup>th</sup> , 2021 (Sat)	CINCO DE MASON (@ WB Bryon Howe's abode.)
June 29 <sup>th</sup> , 2021	POKER TOURNAMENT

## DRESS CODE

For the winter months, our dress code for Stated Meetings will be suit and tie for Lodge Officers. Other members should be in business casual attire. During Degree Meetings, tuxedos or dark suit, white shirt and tie for Degree Team members and Officers is strongly desired. Business attire for sideliners.





## Worshipful Master - Matthew Brassard



Brethren,

Our small lodge always seems to find a way to stay busy. As we slowly settle into our new normal and transition out of pandemic mode our calendar seems to be filling up with many important dates. We have several recent petitioners who will be needing degree work, Grand Lodge Communication, Cinco de Mason and a poker tournament all in the near future. Keep an eye out below for the dates and times. We have also fully tested our virtual meeting set up with some help from PVST#29 (what would a Master do without secretaries?)

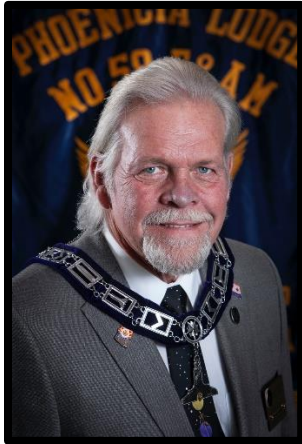
We are also ready to share our officers' meetings and education events with more of our members who live in other states or due to health reasons are not able to attend.

I am excited about the work the lodge is currently doing. We are finalizing a great plan to allow our officers to put on several impressive degrees. We are on track for this year's Master Architect award and are already planning on how we can get a jump start on next year's. We have reviewed the upcoming legislation for Grand Lodge Communication (and boy there sure were a lot this year) and registered our officers for the event. We have great opportunities for all members to re-engage with the lodge - Cinco de Mason will be at Worshipful Brother Howe's house, so bring your bathing suites, a drink and a side and come enjoy the brotherhood! And dust off your poker chips because we will be having our first of two poker tournaments this year in June. Remember this event is no longer a fund raiser, it is purely for fun and trophies.

Recently I had to undergo some eye surgery. This left me unable to read well or see things right in front of me for about a week. It was a touch experience as I weighed my options of longer-term care of my eyes. More surgery every few years or painful eye drops every night. I could do my usual vocation, play with my daughter, or even clean the house the way I wanted to. The day before I would regain sight in both eyes, I attended a lodge event. The officers got together to plan the strategy of how we will tackle the amount of degree work in our future without burning out those members who always step up to the plate for ritual. **(Continued on Page 14)**



## Brother Steve Dilda– Sr. Warden



Brethren, to say the least, it has been a weird year. To say the most, it has been a weird year. But here we are, surviving, prospering, and thriving. Our fundraising efforts are springing back, and our candidate count is growing. We all are overly excited for the coming year's work ahead of us, and our new friendships and brotherhoods.

As we spring forward with renewed importance of our Masonic teachings of being honest, upright, and caring, I would like to share an article from the Masonic Service Associations' Short Talk Bulletin. Originally printed in The New Mexico Freemason in 1977.

As Freemasons, we are known by the way we affect other people and by the works of ourselves as a group. The following story illustrates how two men came to present their petitions for Freemasonry.

A young man passed a pawnbroker's shop. The moneylender was standing in front of his shop, and the young man noted that he was wearing a large and beautiful Masonic emblem.

After going on a whole block, apparently lost in thought, the young man turned back, stepped up to the pawnbroker, and addressed him, 'I see you're wearing a Masonic emblem. I am a Freemason, too. It happens that I am desperately in need of \$25 just now. I shall be able to pay it back within 10 days. You do not know me: but I wonder if the fact that you are a Freemason, and I am a Freemason is sufficient to induce you to lend me the money on my personal note. The pawnbroker mentally appraised the young man, who was clean-cut, neat, and well-dressed. After a moment's thought, he agreed to make the loan on the strength of the young man's being a Freemason. Within a few days the young man repaid the loan and that ended the transaction.

About four months later the young man was in Lodge receiving the Entered Apprentice degree; he had not really been a Mason when he borrowed the \$25.

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## Brother Steve Hooper – Jr. Warden



Brethren,

Greetings from the south. As we roll into the second quarter of 2021, we are seeing a relaxation of regulations and opening of our society. Over the last year we've been encouraged to stay home and away from pretty much everyone and everything, unless it was outside and experienced alone. This trend has struck fear into some and angered others. What we have noticed here at the old 58 has been, what best can be described as, a general malaise.

It is easy to fall into a rut, and it appears that is what has happened to us.

Let us get back into the game again and have some fraternity fun. As summer approaches the suits and ties are put away and we are back in the polos. Our summer activities are being planned and our annual "Cinco de Mason" is scheduled for next month – check the Facebook page for full details. We also have a poker night scheduled for June 29<sup>th</sup> and are looking forward to bowling and other frivolity as our schedule permits, not to mention three first degree initiations in the next two months.

Let's get off of the couch and have some fun again.

Fraternally,

Bro. Steve Hooper  
Junior Warden





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*This months Masonic Education Article was Written and Presented by Worshipful Brother Glen Van Steeter to the Members of Twin Peaks Lodge No. 32 (Utaaaaaaah) on April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020*

## **The Northeast Corner of the Lodge**

The northeast corner is the traditional location of the cornerstone or foundation stone of a building. Both the stone and its location signify a beginning. How often do you suppose that this tradition was observed? How about today?

The Entered Apprentice is placed at this point, midway between the darkness of the North and the light of the East, to signify that he has begun his Masonic life. He has left the darkness of the North which symbolizes lack of knowledge of the Masonic teachings and is moving toward the light of knowledge which comes from the East. Thus, the Entered Apprentice has laid the foundation stone of his Masonic life and must now build his character from the light of the teachings which abound in the East.

Certainly, by now you are aware that Freemasonry is a Fraternity devoted to Brotherhood. To maintain Brotherhood among its members and to work for it in the world at large is the reason for its existence. The erection of a Gothic cathedral called for many workmen. The building was erected according to a plan, and this required that each man govern his work accordingly. A group of men thus organized, all working harmoniously toward the same end, constitutes a Brotherhood; this Masonic Brotherhood, therefore, instead of being the result of a mere vague aspiration, is the product of the practice of the art of Architecture and Building.

We do not share Brotherhood by a random sentimentality, that is to say, merely by shaking hands and patting each other on the back, but by all of us working together at some good or great task. Most of the great things in this world must be done by cooperative enterprise, and unless a man is able to cooperate, he cannot have a share in doing them.

As you stood in the Northeast Corner of the Lodge during your initiation, you were taught a certain lesson concerning a cornerstone; the meaning of this lesson should now be clear. You are the cornerstone of the Craft. The day will probably come when into your hands will fall your share of the responsibilities of the Lodge. It is our hope and expectation that you will provide a solid foundation, true and tried, set four-square, on which your great Fraternity may safely build.

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(Continued from Page 3 Worshipful Masters Message)

Maybe it was the group's ability to effectively articulate the pros and cons of the situation and options; Maybe it was the wise council of my brothers trying to help us make sure we truly understand the goal we were striving for; Or maybe it was the Past Master making eye patch jokes and fashioning me a hook out of aluminum foil...but I really needed that night with my brothers. If you can use that kind of pick me up, please come out and see us. May through September we will be in polos and khakis for our stated meeting, with one exception, July is Hawaiian shirt night! I hope to see you there.

Fraternally,

WB Mat Brassard  
Worshipful Master

## 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!**

## From the Desk of the Secretary

Brethren,

We still have a number of Brothers with outstanding dues for the 2021 Masonic year. As a reminder; Article 9 – Dues, Section 1; The dues of each member, not exempt from payment therefore, **are due and payable *without* notice on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January of each year.**

Section 2; **No member who shall be in arrears for dues at the time of annual election, shall be permitted to vote or shall be eligible for any office.**

Those Brothers with outstanding dues, please remit payment as soon as you can. If you are having financial hardship, please contact me at [ray.brigandi@gmail.com](mailto:ray.brigandi@gmail.com). Thank you.

Fraternally,

Ray Brigandi, PM  
Secretary, Phoenicia #58

# Valley of the Sun DeMolay

Valley of the Sun DeMolay Chapter members have been busy. Below are pictures of several of the Chapter members who helped at the recent AAE Arizona Cup Archery Event held at Ben Avery Shooting Facility. The Chapter also visited Peoria Lodge No 31 and served dinner to the Lodge members prior to a Stated Meeting. Included in the picture is the Worshipful Master of Peoria Lodge along with several of the Chapter members.

Later in April, Chapter members will be attending the DeMolay State Congress and Day of Service. At the end of the month, a Parking Lot Movie event is planned.

The Arizona State DeMolay Association is planning an Annual Convention in 2021 and activity is already underway in developing the programming and Ad Book. Masonic groups, as well as individuals, can support the Valley of the Sun DeMolay Chapter by purchasing space in the 2021 Convention Ad Book. Pricing and spacing information is available from Dad Dave Zaucha (623.236.6307 or [VOTS.Chair@azdemolay.org](mailto:VOTS.Chair@azdemolay.org)). Support for Masonic youth groups is important at any time but particularly in this time of reduced social interaction and visibility.



Valley of the Sun Chapter now is regularly meeting at the Sun City Masonic Center.

The Chapter meets the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month.

Refreshments at 3:00 PM. Meeting at 4:00 PM.

Currently, local Master Masons serving on the Valley of the Sun Chapter Advisory Council include: Bryon Howe; Steve Liguori; Matt Link; and David Zaucha.

For further information about becoming a member of DeMolay or how to become a member of the Advisory Council, contact David Zaucha at 623.236.6307 or [VOTS.Chair@azdemolay.org](mailto:VOTS.Chair@azdemolay.org).

# Masonic Birthdays

**!!!Happy 53<sup>rd</sup> Masonic Birthday Bro. Mathis Becker!!!**

**!!!Happy 51<sup>st</sup> Masonic Birthday Bro. Bill Warren!!!**

Joseph Frank Konen	5/2/2017	4
Joseph Papas Jr.	5/26/2009	12
Terry Lee Stoner	5/27/2003	18
Ernesto Zamorano	5/6/2000	21
Kurt Eldridge	5/20/1999	22
Randy Pelton	5/14/1998	23
Mathis Becker	5/16/1968	53
Jared Thomas Truettner	6/7/2016	5
Raymond Brigandi P.M.	6/5/2007	14
John Corcetti	6/16/1982	39
James Leland Butler	6/23/1978	43
William Warren Jr	6/5/1970	51

## THE RIDERS OF THE THIRD DEGREE

The Riders of the Third Degree are a Masonic Riders Association founded by two Brothers at Phoenicia 58 almost a decade ago.

Their plan was to promote Freemasonry from the seat of a motorcycle and, to serve their community through philanthropic endeavors. Their annual Toy Runs and Fundraisers bring toys to kids at Phoenix Children's Hospital. With the support of Phoenicia 58, Chrome Book computers are donated to deserving students at Campo Bello Elementary school through their "Working Tools for Students" program.

Since their founding, The Riders of the Third Degree have added a Chapter in Tucson. They too have annual toy drives for the Square and Compass Hospital in Tucson and do their own "Working Tools for Students" presentations in Tucson.

For more information on the Riders of the 3rd Degree, or to donate to our "Working Tools for Students" program, please contact us at: [info@riders3.org](mailto:info@riders3.org)







## **Audit and Trustees Report;**

UPCOMING TRUSTEES MEETING ON MAY 4<sup>TH</sup>.

## **Awards;**

MASTER ARCHITECT AWARD APPLICATION HAS BEEN SUBMITTED.

## **Beneficent Fund;**

NO REPORT.

## **Calling Committee;**

REPORTS WILL BE DUE; 5/30, 8/30, AND 11/30

## **Candidate Progression;**

MIGUEL VARGAS; AWAITING 3<sup>RD</sup> DEGREE PROFICIENCY.  
DAVE PISANI PASSED HIS 3<sup>RD</sup> DEGREE PROFICIENCY.  
JOHN FOWLER AWAITING 1<sup>ST</sup> DEGREE PROFICIENCY.

## **Degree and Ritual Proficiency;**

1<sup>ST</sup> DEGREE SCHEDULED FOR MAY 22<sup>ND</sup>, 25<sup>TH</sup>, AND JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup>

## **Fraternal Relations;**

PHOENICIA MADE AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO VALLEY OF THE SUN DEMOLAY ON MAY 2<sup>ND</sup>.

## **Fundraising;**

WARFIGHTER TOBACCO TICKETS (\$10) AND GW WHISKEY TICKETS (\$10)

## **Masonic Education;**

ARTICLE INCLUDED IN THE TRESTLE BOARD.

## **Membership/Retention;**

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP IS AT 60.

## **Public Schools;**

WB HERNANDEZ , WB BRYON HOWE, AND BRO. SHANE CHARLES REP'D PHOENICIA #58  
AND RIDERS 3 DONATING 3 CHROME BOOKS TO CAMPO BELLO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

## **Reports of Sickness and Distress;**

WB PHIL ZIELINGER IS STILL IN REHAB IN CHANDLER.  
BROTHER TONI ROSSI' SISTER PASSED AWAY UNEXPECTEDLY. KEEP HIM AND HIS FAMILY  
IN YOUR PRAYERS.

## Committee Membership Roll

Committee	Members	Who
<b>Audit and Trustees</b>	1yr; WB Robert Haynes / 2yr; WB Bryon Howe, 3yr; Bro Scott Hewitt <a href="#">(Contact WB Haynes @ 480.205.9572)</a>	Active members
<b>Awards</b>	Chair: WM Mat Brassard / WB Ray Brigandi Focus: Master Architect 2021 <a href="#">(Contact Info on Page 2)</a>	WM / Sec
<b>Beneficent Fund:</b>	Chair: WM Mat Brassard / WB Rodger Marx / Bro. Steve Dilda <a href="#">(Contact Info on Page 2)</a>	WM / SW/ Tres
<b>Calling Committee:</b>	Chair: WB Ray Brigandi / WB Glen Van Steeter / WB Chris West <a href="#">(Contact Info on Page 2)</a>	Sec / PM / PM
<b>Candidate Progression:</b>	Chair: Bro Steven Dilda / WB Ray Brigandi <a href="#">(Contact Info on Page 2)</a>	SW / Sec
<b>Degree and Ritual Proficiency:</b>	Chair: WM Mat Brassard / WB Ray Brigandi / Bro. Keith Brooks <a href="#">(Contact Info on Page 2)</a>	Ritualistic
<b>Fraternal Relations:</b>	Co-Chairs: WM Mat Brassard / PM Bryon Howe (Contact Info on Page 2)	Youth Groups
<b>Fundraising:</b>	Chair: WM Mat Brassard / Bro. Steve Dilda / Bro. Steve Hooper <a href="#">(Contact Info on Page 2)</a>	WM / SW / JW
<b>Funeral Team:</b>	WM: WB Ray Brigandi / SW: WB Tony Hernandez / JW: Bro Chris West / Chaplain: Bro Joe Pappas <a href="#">(Contact Info on Page 2)</a>	Volunteer
<b>Hospitality:</b>	Chair: Bro Steve Hooper/ Bro. Keith Brooks / Bro. Tony Rossi <a href="#">(Contact Info on Page 2)</a>	JW / SS / JS
<b>Masonic Education:</b>	Co-Chairs: Bro Joe Pappas / WM Chris West <a href="#">(Contact Info on Page 2)</a>	Volunteer
<b>Membership and Retention:</b>	Chair: WB Robert Haynes / Bro Steven Dilda (Contact WB Haynes @ 480.205.9572)	PM / SW / Active member
<b>Public Schools</b>	Chair: WB Tony Hernandez, Bro. Tony Rossi, Bro. Joe Papas <a href="#">(Contact Info on Page 2)</a>	Appointed by WM
<b>Reports of sickness or distress:</b>	Chair: WB Ray Brigandi, WM Mat Brassard <a href="#">(Contact Info on Page 2)</a>	Sec / WM
<b>Social:</b>	Chair: Bro. Steve Hooper, Bro. Miguel Vargas, Bro. David Pisani <a href="#">(Contact Info on Page 2)</a>	JW / SS / JS
<b>Trestle Board:</b>	Chair: WB Chris West / WB Bryon Howe <a href="#">(Contact WB West @ 804.986.6011)</a>	Appointed by WM

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After he had been admitted for the second section of the degree, the young man looked across the Lodge room and saw the pawnbroker from whom he had borrowed the \$25. His face turned crimson, and he became nervous and jittery. He wondered whether he had been recognized by the pawnbroker. Apparently not, so he planned at the first opportunity to leave the Lodge room and avoid his benefactor.

As soon as the Lodge closed, he moved quickly for the door, but the pawnbroker had recognized the young man, headed him off and, to the young man's astonishment, approached him with a smile and outstretched hand.

"Well, I see you weren't a Freemason after all when you borrowed that \$25," the pawnbroker commented.

The blood rushed to the young man's face as he stammered, "No, I wasn't but I wish you'd let me explain. I had always heard that Freemasons were charitable and ready to aid a Brother in distress.

"When I passed your shop that day, I didn't need that \$25. I had plenty of money in my wallet, but when I saw the Masonic emblem, you were wearing I decided to find out whether the things I'd heard about Freemasonry were true.

You let me have the money on the strength of my being a Freemason, so I concluded that what I had heard about Masons was true, that they are charitable, that they do aid Brethren in distress. That made such a deep impression on me that I presented my petition to this Lodge and here I am. I trust that with this explanation, you will forgive me for having lied to you."

The pawnbroker responded, "Don't let that worry you too much. I was not a Freemason when I let you have the money. I had no business wearing the Masonic emblem you saw. Another man had just borrowed some money on it, and it was so pretty that I put it on my lapel for a few minutes. I took it off the moment you left. I did not want anyone else borrowing money on the strength of my being a Freemason.

When you asked for that \$25, I remembered what I had heard about Masons, that they were honest, upright, and cared for the obligations promptly. It seemed to me that \$25 would not be too much to lose to learn if what I'd heard about Freemasons was really true, so I lent you the money and you repaid it exactly as you said you would.

"That convinced me that what I'd heard about Masons was true, so I presented my petition to this Lodge. I was the candidate just ahead of you."

Faternally,

Bro. Steve Dilda  
Senior Warden





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