





Arizona Lodge #2

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Master's Message—Masonic Light

By: Rev. Dr. James M. Floyd, Jr., MPS Evergreen Lodge No. 713, F. & A.M., Dwight L. Smith Lodge of Research, U.D., Indiana F. & A.M.

Are you a source of light, or of darkness?

We create our own reality. What we expect from life is what we receive. If we expect and look for the trouble, disagreement, and negativity in situations that is what we are sure to find. If however, we expect and look for the good, cooperative, and positive outcomes in situations that is what we will experience.

Life cannot, and does not always go smoothly. We cannot appreciate the good times and the joys that life brings without the rough times and the sadness that must cross our path on occasion. It is our response to these times that defines who we are.

Brothers, I am guilty of being a source of darkness. That is, in seeing and focusing only on the problems in lodge that I perceive need to be corrected. And in being privy to, and a part of, the occasional personality conflicts that are destined to arise in any group.

Yes, there are problems in every lodge. Yes, we do not always agree with, or get along with each other. This has always been, and always will be. But we cannot be negative about these difficulties. Our negative thoughts are like a cancer which spreads and weakens us, and those around us, emotionally, physically, and spiritually.

It is easy to fall into the trap of negativity or darkness. But, with effort on our part, and the assistance of the G.A.O.T.U., we can instead choose to open our eyes to the light. My Brothers, that light is Brotherly love. Love is being positive and expecting the best life has to offer. Love is knowing that, although our human frailties will result in disagreement, where there is hope and understanding there can be the peace and harmony to work together towards a common goal. So, for the sake of the Fraternity and your well-being, I urge you to make the commitment to change your life, to become a source of Masonic Light, that, like the Sun in the heavens, all the world can see.

WM AZ 2- MSH



Worshipful Brother Matthew Harris hails from Indiana, He moved to Arizona in 2008.

He currently is the director of programs for Child Crisis. He has worked with traumatized kids since his honorable discharge from the Marine Corps over 20 years ago. He was raised in Arizona No. 2 in 2012 under the instruction of the Late W. Bro. Ron Heck. He began his work in the Officer line in 2014 under the Instruction of W. Bro. Secretary of AZ 2- Michael DiGiacomo.

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Brother Victor E Olson is the current Senior Warden of Arizona Lodge No. 2.

.I have been blessed with good friends and family my entire life. I continue to enjoy the world I travel, as well as my acquaintances and my work. My life goal is to enable, by my designs, a significant work of the built environment that makes a positive social impact for as large a group of people as possible and lasts beyond my lifetime.

From the West—What We Want to Hear

“Well done good and faithful servant”

Comes from Matthew 25:21 and is about receiving something of value and, by our efforts, growing that something into a greater value and then returning all back to the giver. Those kinds of successes enable us into a joyful relationship with God - our lord.

The precious idea that an apron is an emblem of innocence is tough to translate into an effort to create more innocence in the world, by being innocent, but here’s a shot.

Consider the first meaning of innocence in our language from Latin: Middle English: from Old French, from Latin *innocentia*, from *innocent-* ‘not harming’ (based on *nocere* ‘injure’).

No imposition of injury on others. More importantly there is no protection in innocence or implied freedom from being harmed but the specific instruction is to not harm. Injury to oneself by oneself or by others is inevitable. Not harming others is by choice.

If you wanna wear the badge and walk that talk, my deduction is you cannot want to harm others in first concept. So why then does harming others still occur in practice?

Why ask why?

I choose both innocence and awareness powerfully and for freemasons I feel that is the right choice.

Victor E Olson, 2022 AZ#2SW

From the South—The Closing of a Lodge

by R.W. Brother J.G.W. Kelley P.G.Lect.
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The poem was written in two hours on the morning of the 9th February 2000 by R. W. Brother J. G. W. Kelley P. G. Lect. Grand Lodge of South Australia and the Northern Territory and presented by him at the final festive board of Torrens Park Lodge No.112. after surrender of the Lodge's Warrant. The final ceremony was well attended and very moving with the temperature 38-39 deg. C (over 100F).

With the closing of the Volume and the opening of a door,
Think not this Lodge has ended, think what has gone before.
Remember all those worthy men who as apprentice came,
And who developed love and skill and worked in friendship's name.

When you take up the Working Tools too gently put aside,
Think not their work has ended, think how they were applied.
Remember well the lessons taught, to craftsmen tried and true,
Of Masons worthy of the name and apron white and blue.

When your Tracing Boards are covered and the Columns laid at rest,
Think not their teaching ended, think more a message blessed.
Remember the special meaning to Master Masons all,
Of birth and life and learning and waiting for the call.

With the sounding of the gavel and as the lights at last go out
Think not your Lodge has ended, dispel all lingering doubt,
Master, Wardens, Brethren, remember as you depart,
Your Lodge will live forever in every Masons' heart.

John Canisales, 2022 AZ#2JW

Source: <http://www.mastermason.com/bridgeportlodge181/SHORT32.HTM>



Brother John Canisales is the current Junior Warden for Arizona Lodge No. 2.

He is also a DeMolay Chapter Dad and has received recognitions from Grand lodge for his service to Masonic youth Groups.

How to use Grandview



Visit Grandview to:

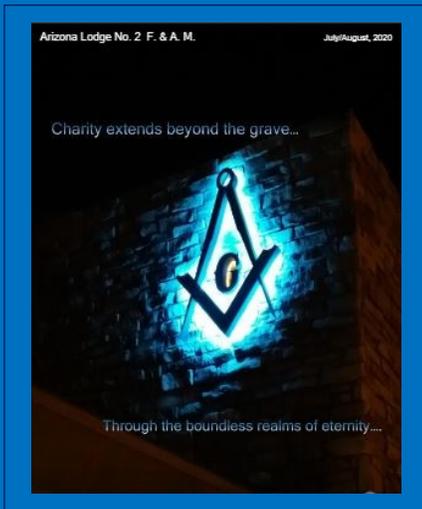
- View a lodge directory
- Change your contact info
- See Grand Lodge notices

How do I login to Grandview?

- Go to the Grand Lodge web page and click “Login to Grandview” on the front page in the upper right (Azmasons.org).
- Enter your lodge number
- Enter your Member ID (lower left corner of dues card or ask the Secretary)
- Enter your Last Name (case sensitive)
- Click on “Check Membership Status”
- Enter your email address
- Enter a password (at least 8 characters)
- Confirm by entering your password again.
- Click on Submit

You are now ready to login and access your own personal record in Grandview. Please keep your email, mailing address and phone number up to date.

Volunteers Needed!



Brothers, we are looking for volunteers to help with lodge duties.

- **Facebook and Social Media**

If you are interested in taking over these duties or forming a committee to work on them, please contact the Worshipful Master.

9:00PM OUT -STATED MEETING GUARANTEE
From Worshipful Master Matthew Harris

As I have travelled through the line, one consistent complaint I have heard is that our meetings are too long. I get it. In a busy world where we have jobs, families, and other activities in our lives - sitting in a boring stated meeting till ten o'clock at night can make it difficult to carry out your other responsibilities. That is why I am giving you the 9:00 Out Guarantee. In hopes that you'll attend and reconnect with your brothers, I promise you that you can be out of our stated meeting by 9:00pm GUARANTEED.

This year, we have revamped our agenda in the following ways. Firstly, we start off our 7:00pm Stated meeting with your sickness and distress. Brotherly love is our most important duty, so we start our meeting off right by checking in with our brothers to see how they are doing. Then we continue our meetings with unfinished business and new business. But regardless of where we are, at 8:00pm we go from Labor to refreshment for the purposes of education. Each stated meeting, the Master will deliver an education on the constitutions, and a brother will be giving a 10-20-minute education related to something from the Monitor. Then, before we come back to labor - if you need to leave, you are free to go. Take a moment and say goodbye to your brothers until we meet again. The important thing is for us to stay connected - there is no clock on brotherly love.

“The seeker after light passes through three stages, the beginner, the workman, and the master. A knowledge of the mysteries of Masonry comes to him step by step, and is acquired only through his own labor and study.” ~ Bro. George Dern, P.G.M. Utah, The Builder, December 1921



Pioneer Cemetery holds an important place in the hearts of Arizona Freemasons. Early founders of the state of Arizona as well as Freemasonry in Arizona are buried there. That is why this year, for the 3rd year in a row, in addition to being a member of the Pioneers' Cemetery Association, we will be donating \$1.00 for every member of Arizona Lodge No. 2. If you would like to support this important Arizona historical site, please visit the Pioneers' Cemetery Association website below:

<http://www.azhistcemeteries.org/>



Round-up Night



Feed Our Starving Children

AZ No 2. and Phoenix DeMolay came together for a night of volunteering for Feed Our Starving Children, where we packed 2,160 meals for children in need in impoverished countries.



September Degrees

Congratulations to our newest Entered Apprentice, Bro. Walter Chambers!



September Degrees

Congratulations to our newest Fellowcraft Chafic Aladine!



Official Visit to Scottsdale 43

Brothers traveled to retrieve our Lodge Colors!



And Scottsdale 43 also had a Table Lodge!



Fain Ranch Outdoor Degree



Social Order of the Beauceant

Supreme Assembly for S.O.O.B. (Social Order of the Beauceant)! Nationally SOOB raised \$78,000 dollars for the National Knights Templar Eye Foundation, and they raised \$2,300 locally. Wynn Evans is now Second Vice President of the Supreme Social Order of The Beauceant, she is a member of the S.O.O.B. Chapter that meets in our building.



Education Night—Angelic Numerology

Presented by Brother Taylor Larsen, Master AZ Research Lodge No 1



NOVEMBER STATED MEETING
WILL BE IN PERSON AS OF THIS PRINTING
Stay Tuned for updates via Facebook, Website & Email

Dinner at 6:00pm

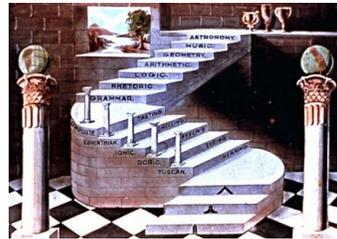
7:00pm – Gavel starts the in-person November Stated Meeting
We will be celebrating all November Masonic Birthdays as well!

Stated Meetings
Master’s Education



This year, at each Stated Meeting we will be presenting a short talk from the Master on the Constitutions. Also, each month a different officer will be presenting a brief education on a topic from the Monitor.

Trestleboard Education
Articles and More



Each Month our electronic Trestleboard will deliver insights and education through articles from our pedestal Officers and more. Our Facebook page will share exciting meetups and events.

4th Tuesday Education
Quarry of the Mind



In 2022, we will continue our 4th Tuesday education night with a long form education every 4th Tuesday - either virtual or in person. Check Facebook & the calendar for topics and speakers.

2022 DUES

2022 DUES are now payable. Dues are the lifeblood of a lodge and help us keep running smoothly. Lodge dues become payable in December of the year prior. Dues are now OVERDUE. You can now use Chase QUICKPAY or pay via Paypal. A link for paypal/ credit card payment will soon be placed on our website page.

“We are that we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit.”

~ Aristotle

OCTOBER MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

Gary E. Kilbourn	10/22/64	58 yrs	Jeremy Lucas Killion	10/20/12	10 yrs
John Donner Jones	10/25/65	57 yrs	Gary Lee Hicks	10/08/13	9 yrs
Robert Jay Farrer	10/07/67	55 yrs	Robert 'Bo' Buchanan III	10/12/13	9 yrs
Gerry Stephan Russell	10/24/72	50 yrs	Qerop Grigorian	10/15/13	9 yrs
Sherman Lee Orton	10/15/74	48 yrs	Rouben Beglarian	10/11/14	8 yrs
Billy Royce Haley	10/14/75	47 yrs	Daniel Matthew Griffith	10/24/15	7 yrs
Kenneth W. Ottinger	10/31/87	35 yrs	Thomas B. Mich Jr.	10/08/16	6 yrs
Gregory Paul Harkleroad	10/12/95	27 yrs	Christopher P. Fasano	10/07/17	5 yrs
John D. Hayworth Jr.	10/12/96	26 yrs	Carlos Louis Santo	10/15/17	5 yrs
David Richard Larson	10/26/99	23 yrs	Matthew J. Traylor	10/13/18	4 yrs
James Warren Perry	10/14/03	19 yrs	Robert 'Robb' Knotts	10/12/19	3 yrs
Ernest O. Williams	10/20/07	15 yrs	Sidney M. Mettle-Mills	10/19/21	1 yrs
Thomas B. Mich Sr.	10/25/11	11 yrs			

October Schedule

- 10/04/22 Stated Meeting (Round-up Night!)
- 10/11/22 Amaranth Visit / Degree Practice
- 10/18/22 FC Degree (Ramsen Ohanes)
- 10/22/22 Table Lodge (P.D. Newman)
- 10/25/22 Education Night (Ancient Hebrew)
- 11/01/22 November Stated Meeting (ELECTIONS)

Please check our Facebook page or Web page for information and links for meetings and the latest updates.

It Is The Desire
To Serve
That Makes a Great
Leader,
Not the Desire To Rule



Lodge #2 Committees

- Charity: WM Matthew Harris (Chairman)
- Dues & Bylaws: SW Vic Olson (Chairman)
- Travelling: Treas Cory Whalin (Chairman)
- Outreach: Mar Bryan Vance (Chairman)
- Family Events: JW John Canisales (Chairman)
- Sickness & Distress: Sec Bo Buchanan (Chairman)

Sickness & Distress



Please keep our brothers, those known and unknown, in your prayers and ask that the Great Architect of the Universe help them find peace and strength in their time of difficulty.

Our 2021 Lodge Coin is still available.



Coins are \$15.00 shipped to you - just click on the link below and purchase a coin to have it directly mailed to you!

Coins are heavy duty enamel filled -1 ¾" wide!

<https://www.azlodge2.org/lodge-coin>

Or, if you'd like to save on postage -purchase one next time you're at lodge!
This is a lodge fundraiser. All proceeds will go into our lodge general fund.



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