



PVST TRESTLE BOARD

PARADISE VALLEY SILVER TROWEL MASONIC LODGE NO. 29, F. & A.M., PHOENIX, AZ

Leading the Future

My Dearest Brethren,

One of the most important jobs I have as the Worshipful Master, as any Past Master will tell you, is to ensure the future and perpetuity of the Lodge. We do this through managing finances (which we have been doing for the past year), developing Lodge leadership, and building the base membership. The last two items there are what I am going to push in this month's article.

Our Lodge leadership consists of our main line officers from the Junior Deacon up to the Worshipful Master, with the Stewards being the positions in which to "get one's feet wet." My job is to ensure those who are to take the Oriental Chair in the years after me are well prepared to step up. From ritual, to committees, to event preparation, they are building their ideas for their terms for the coming years. I was presented with the idea of putting together a guidebook for those officers who are ascending the line towards the East. It would consist of items such as committees, officer duties, membership drives, and other things pertaining to the duties of the Master. I am looking for some insight from the Past Masters of both our Lodge and others to help build this. I believe it would be a splendid addition to

the mentoring of young officers as they move up, and it would help them become better prepared for the burdens and responsibilities which come with this office.

Building the membership of the Lodge takes every Mason's effort. Although the duties of membership programs generally pertain to the Junior Warden, every member should be striving to bring men of good moral character into our ancient institution. The average age of the membership of our Lodge hovers in the 60s. Not to be morbid, my brethren, but the fact of the matter is: we won't live forever. We must help replace ourselves when we move on to the Celestial Lodge above. WB John Amidon brought up the fact that we have almost completely come to a halt with initiating new members, and that we need to develop a program to increase our base membership and retain those who are younger in our Lodge. When I joined the Lodge almost six years ago, we constantly had degrees planned. So much so, it was hard to plan anything else! I would like to ask the membership to come forth with any new ideas on growing

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From The East

From The South



The Beauty in Relief

To relieve the distressed is a duty incumbent on all men, but particularly upon masons ...

Relief – A feeling of reassurance and relaxation following

release from anxiety or distressed.

Gentleman we are in the business of helping others. To soothe the unhappy, to sympathize with their misfortunes, to compassionate their miseries.

This past weekend was one to remember. To see the relief in Shirley's

eyes as she took comfort knowing her recent troubles have been laid to rest. To see Don with a cigar knowing he was surrounded by brothers. It was beautiful. Restoring peace to their trouble minds is the great aim we have in view. On this basis we form our friendships and establish our connections.

Brothers, we've all been squared
So we all are true
On the level we meet
So smile the next time I see you

Luke Siegfried
Junior Warden | PVST #29

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our Lodge. The officers are going to be talking about building a formal program, but we can always use more thoughts for the process. If you have any ideas, you are

!!!STEAK NIGHT!!!

sirloin, mashed potatoes & veggies



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welcome to shoot me an e-mail and I will endeavor to include it in our discussions.

Our ancient and honorable fraternity has been blessed with the presence of some of the most powerful and brilliant men to walk the Earth. We have built a sturdy foundation upon which to construct the framework that will hold us together for generations to come. For us to survive, however, we must build the walls and supports for that edifice which is Masonry. We have survived almost a hundred years, and I would like to have us see a hundred more. Think about our roles here, brethren. We are striving to make good men better. Let's find more like-minded men and show them the Light that is Freemasonry. I wish you all the best. Let's finish the year stronger than ever.

Sincerely & Fraternaly,
Timothy M. Dougherty, P.M.
Worshipful Master | PVST #29

The Masonic Moon

by David Harrison posted July 21, 2019

The moon is a prominent symbol in Freemasonry, and can be seen in Masonic prints and banners dating back to the eighteenth century.

The moon is mentioned in the ritual as one of the lesser lights; the light in the East is dedicated to the Master of the lodge, as the volume of the sacred law is kept there, the light in the West to the moon, and the light in the South to the sun. The moon, as we know, reflects light from the sun, and this itself was important, as many lodges during the eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries met on a night as close to the full moon as they could, mainly as there was no street lighting, and the moonlight would help many Masons travel back home.

This practical reason of meeting as close to the full moon as possible, also reminds us of the symbolic nature of the moon within the ritual, hinting not only at the alchemical symbolism but also the Newtonian reasoning that is embedded in

Freemasonry. The more mystical symbolism resonates in the importance of both the sun and the moon in alchemical rebirth, reflected in the rebirth of the Master Mason into light, and the Newtonian reasoning displayed in terminology of the meridian and the Mason recognises that the earth constantly revolves on its axis in its orbit around the sun.

As it is fifty years since man first set foot on the moon, and as there have been many astronauts who were Freemasons, such as Buzz Aldrin, we can today remember the importance of the moon in Freemasonry and how it has been an influence to Freemasons for centuries.

David Harrison's books are available at http://www.lewisasonic.co.uk/david-harrison_1

This blog entry is from <https://dr-david-harrison.com/lost-symbols-of-freemasonry/the-masonic-moon/>

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Let's build up savings. Get your friends & family to sign up. Great opportunity to do some fundraising for the Lodge. Our Rewards Check last quarter was \$46 from only 5 families participating! WAY DOWN!





STARS OF PARADISE #56 OES

Our Grand Session for 2019 is now behind us and soon we are into our next year of activities.

There were many visitors from other states here to honor Billie Bradford, who is the Most Worthy Grand Conductress. I was so honored to be sitting in the East as Page to the Worthy Grand Patron, David Gillis. I was also on Hospitality and the Chairman and sat at the entrance to the Hotel, greeting the arrivals—directing them to their chosen destinations. All of the members of Stars of Paradise had positions of Honor and Responsibility.

Congratulations to the Assistant to the Grand Secretary, Jean Patterson, who had

to leave early so that she could attend her Grandson's Marriage in Albuquerque.

There has been no reservations (to date) for our September Dinner Nite Out due to our Secretary being hospitalized. Call her for the place and date...

Kathy Kelley has been hospitalized for repair to a hernia, she is recovering now at home. Ann Lau has had surgery to remove a cyst on her arm and to repair two trigger fingers on a hand. If anyone knows of a member needing cards or calls of encouragement, please call Ellie Aldrin at 602-996-8197.

Fraternally,
Virginia Valente

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September Masonic Birthdays!

If you talk to any of these brethren, take a moment and wish them a Happy Masonic Birthday!

Masonic Brother	Date	Age	Masonic Brother	Date	Age
Douglas Franklin Spencer	06-Sep-87	32	Jack Elijah Wade	17-Sep-97	22
Robert Eugene Cooperider	07-Sep-77	42	Richard Edwin Herman	20-Sep-61	58
Jeffrey Alan Steinbeck	10-Sep-81	38	Douglas Albert Hanson	22-Sep-76	43
Scott Michael Durgan	12-Sep-07	12	Stephen Gerald Takesian	27-Sep-03	16
Jason John Huber	13-Sep-97	22	Shaun Phillip Stapleton	29-Sep-07	12
Francis Crowe Trenholm PM	14-Sep-85	34			



SEPTEMBER Events

PVST #29

Stated **1st Wednesday** of the month.
Dinner @ 6:30. Gavel drops @ 7:30

All other Wednesdays 7 pm meetings
See website for details

Tuesday Mornings

Breakfast & Fellowship 7 am
The Breakfast Joynt on Bell

Please visit the calendar on the lodge website for more detail—pvst29.org/calendar/

Phoenicia #58

2nd Tuesday of the month - 6 pm
Dinner Stated Meeting

All other Tuesday Meetings if no special events (*details on website or Facebook*)

Stars of Paradise – OES #56

2nd & 4th Thursdays 7 pm—go dark for two months in mid-June

Bethel #19 – Job's Daughters

2nd & 4th Mondays 7 pm—go dark for two months in mid-June

Masonic Family | PVST #29 F&AM



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PVST Officers & Trustees: Officers 6pm, Trustees 6:30pm (*both on the LAST Wednesday of the month*)

The committees are not finalized at present. Contact either the Worshipful Master (wm@pvst29.org) or the Secretary (secretary@pvst29.org) with any questions or if you wish to help on a committee

Craft Builders – 2019

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We thank these brothers for their continued support of the lodge and our programs!

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