#### Paradise Valley Silver Trowel Masonic Lodge NO. 29, F.&A.M.

#### Oct Calendar

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- Sep 28: Masonic Funeral for Br. Ivan
- Oct 02: Dinner and Stated Meeting
- Oct 9: Pizza Night
- Oct 16: First and Second Degree Practice
- Oct 23: Longevity Awards
- Oct 30: Officers and Trustees meeting

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## From The East



Greeting from the East

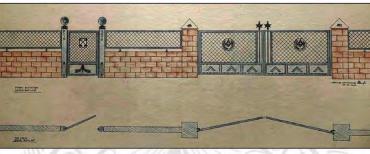
The sudden loss of Brother Ivan Ananyev has left an indelible mark on our lodge and the wider Masonic community. Known for his unwavering dedication and tireless contributions, Ivan was not only an active member but also a source of inspiration for many. His enthusiasm for the craft and commitment to fostering fellowship among brethren created a welcoming atmosphere that drew in new members and strengthened our bonds. The shock of his passing has reverberated through the lodge, leaving a palpable sense of grief and reflection as we come to terms with the void he has left behind. His absence will be deeply felt as we navigate the emotional landscape of our shared loss while honoring the legacy he built.

In a poignant tribute to his dedication, Brother Ivan's parting gift was the completion of our front gate, a symbol of his love for the lodge and his belief in the importance of welcoming all who seek knowledge and brotherhood. This gate stands not only as a physical entrance but also as a testament to his spirit, reminding us of the values he embodied: openness, service, and commitment to community. As we gather to commemorate his life and contributions, we are inspired to carry forward his vision of a vibrant, united lodge. In honoring lvan's memory, we resolve to keep his legacy alive, ensuring that the lessons he imparted continue to guide our actions and strengthen the fabric of our fraternity.

Fraternally,

Jovan Boskovski, Worshipful Master

"Courage and perseverance have a magical talisman, before which difficulties disappear and obstacles vanish into air." **Brother John Quincy Adams** 



Vision of the West Entrance to the PVST No. 29 Masonic Temple, Artist Bro. Ivan Ananyev

The West Gate

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Brother Ivan working on the gate.

# From the West



#### Brothers,

Usually, I would write something every month about how Masonry aligns with the changing months and seasons and how they interact with our discerning eyes. This month, however, I want to share a small story due to the circumstances currently surrounding our lodge. We have had a very trying month with the loss of a dearly loved brother and the illnesses of other brothers' moms and wives, whom I consider to be all of our moms and sisters. Brother Ivan enlightened me on this. I never thought of it that way before. This brother was held very dear to all of us in his own special way, and I, for one, will greatly miss him and our chats.

He and I once spoke about the reasons some brothers step back for a while and then eventually come back. We discussed my situation and why I took a hiatus for a time. For me. it was because I didn't feel the love and connection from the brothers who took the same obligations I did. Then, one day, I was looking at the ring I never took off my finger—even though, at the time, I didn't feel the brotherly love, I still felt that connection. That day, upon reflecting on this, I decided to return to the lodge because perhaps I was not living up to my end of the obligations I also held dear. Those obligations made me feel connected when I took them, and they were still impressed upon my mind. I am so very grateful that I made

the decision to return. I saw a different vibe when I came back. Brother Ivan was one of the strongest influences, with his constant smile and laugh. He also pointed out to me during our time under the square how to approach Masonry differently than I had before.

He and I had many chats, including a few about the loss of his wife to the same cancer my wife is battling. By paying attention to him, which changed my attitude a bit, I started seeing how the lodge unknowingly responded back to me. Because of this, and the efforts of other brothers who had under-thesquare conversations with our fallen brother, our lodge has turned into what a lodge should be—a place where we aid, protect, and support each other. I have seen so much brotherly love in our lodge over the last four years, and it truly inspires me to always be better at being there for my brothers, as they have been for me and my wife and family.

Even towards the end of his journey, Brother Ivan was thinking of me personally and left a message with Brother Marion and Worshipful Brother Jovan for me. He also gave instructions on how to complete the wall and gates. He was a selfless Mason with a heart of gold, and our lodge has changed significantly due to his spirit. It was his small doses of wisdom that he shared with each of us that have changed our lodge. Because of his unwavering support of his brothers, I feel confident that he is sitting at the right of the Supreme Judge. Well done, my brother-enjoy the journey, and we will all meet again.

Much Brotherly Love to all of my Brothers.

I also want to quickly extend a sincere thank you to all who participated in the initiation for Brother Nick. It was a wonderful initiation. Congratulations to you, Brother Nick.

Yours fraternally,

Michael Kosatka, Senior Warden



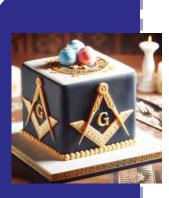
## "BROTHERLY LOVE

I have an obligation to walk you through the darkness

> NO ONE BUILDS ALONE" Unknown



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### October Masonic Birthdays

Be sure to wish your Brothers a happy Masonic birthday!

Rene Madrid	10/08/2014	Steven Stewart	10/26/1994
James Secrest	10/09/1968	Bryan Bowley	10/27/2004
Michael Haigis	10/10/2012	Nicholas Gregory	10/27/2021
Joseph Cali	10/26/1994		

## 2024 Craft Builders

Support your Lodge and be recognized! For a donation of \$20, you can get your name, or the name of a Brother of your choosing, listed for the 2024 calendar year. This is a great way to honor our beloved deceased Brothers or new Brothers just joining our Craft! Please make your donation to the Secretary if you are interested.

Steven Proctor	Billy Kozuh	Darren Reale	Ray Najjar	
David Silliman	Michael Jones	Eddie Vela		

Be sure to check out our new website and make use of the Calendar for all of the most up-to-date Lodge activities!

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## Check out our Lodge Calendar!



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We will Miss You Brother













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We were honored to host Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master Leigh Creighton and our new DDGM Chris West at our September Stated Meeting, and proud to welcome in our newest Entered Apprentice Brother Nick Weir!

# Around the Lodge











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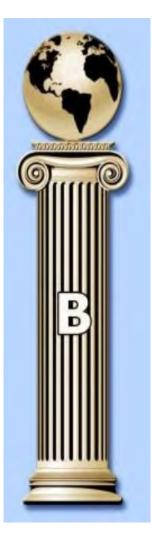
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Making Good Men Better, One Day at a Time

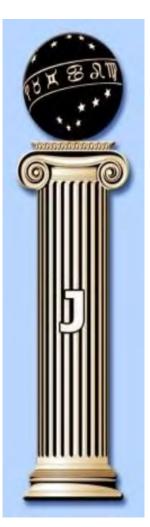


# Paradise Valley Silver Trowel Lodge #29

#### **Our Past Masters**

Dean Graham—Charter Master (2000)\*

James Miller, PM (2001)\* William "Skip" Boyer, PM (2002)\* Stafford O Gormley, PM (2003) William R Hearter, Jr. PM (2004) David P McArdle, PM (2005)\* Philil J "Jack" Buta, PM (2005) James E Boniface, PM (2007) Eric T Carter, PM (2008) Scot M Baker, PM (2009) Kirk Lockett, Sr, PM (2010)\* Shane Crabtree, PM (2011) Tod Truettner, PM (2012) Leonard Shaprio, PM (2013) P Bryan Westerman, PM (2014) Jovan Boskovski, PM (2015) Mustafa Karamujic, PM (2015) David McArdle, PM (2017) Timothy M Dougherty, PM (2018) Timothy M Dougherty, PM (2019) William Greenen, PM (2020) Lukas Siegfried, PM (2021) Mitchell Robinson, PM (2022) Mustafa Karamujic, PM (2023)



\* Indicates deceased