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

#### April Calendar

For the most up-todate information, please visit <u>www.pvst29.org</u>

- Apr 03: Dinner and Stated Meeting
- Apr 10: Degree Practice
- Apr 17: Third Degree
- Mar 24: Officers and Trustees meeting

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# **PVST TRESTLE BOARD**

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# From The East



In the sacred halls of Masonic brotherhood, a message of hope echoed through the ages, carried by the whispers of ancient symbols and the solemnity of shared oaths. Gathered in unity, we reflect on the Masonic message of hope that transcended the boundaries of time.

"In the mosaic of life, hope is the golden thread that binds our shared journey. As pillars of strength and custodians of ancient wisdom, we carry the torch of hope to illuminate the darkest corners of existence."

Hope, my brethren, is not a passive anticipation but an active force that propels us forward. It is the compass that guides us through the labyrinth of challenges and the anchor that steadies us in the storm.

The Master spoke of the symbolic pillars that adorned the lodge, representing wisdom and strength, and how hope intertwined with these virtues. "Let us, as Masons, be beacons of hope in our communities. In times of despair, let our actions speak louder than our words, for charity and compassion are the bricks with which we build the temple of hope."

As we contemplate these words, the weight of responsibility and the privilege of being bearers of hope. The message resided not only in the spoken lessons but in the unspoken understanding that as Masons, we are bound by a sacred duty to uplift the fallen, support the weary, and kindle the flame of hope in every heart they touched.

The Masonic message of hope, carried through the ages, reminds us that in our hands rested the tools to shape a world where hope was not just a fleeting wish but a resilient force, enduring and everlasting. And so, my brethren, we leave the lodge, each a messenger of hope, committed to spreading light in a world that often yearned for the solace of a hopeful dawn.

#### Fraternally,

Jovan Boskovski, Worshipful Master



"It is the desire to serve that makes a great leader, not the desire to rule."

#### Unknown

### Help Wanted

Brethren PVST is seeking a new secretary, if you are interested, please contact me at 602-692-2350. Some prior office work would be beneficial. Thank you.

Fraternally

Jovan Boskovski WM



# From the West 🚣



What a busy month we have had! We have passed Brothers Brain and JT to their fellowcraft degree, and we have initiated our brand new brother, Daniel, to his Entered Apprentice degree. I was graciously given permission from our WM Jovan to sit in the east to perform Br. Daniel's initiation. We also finished off the month of February with The George Washington Oratorical Contest, and lastly, we engaged in some brotherly love with Phoenicia Lodge at their Blue Horseshoe event. I mention all of this because as we embark upon the month of April, we still have more great work to do, and it is a great thing to watch as the brothers are coming together as one, and as it should be, to spread the word of brotherly love of what we do and to extend that same love to the community as well. As April is known as the month of April showers that bring May flowers, let it also be known as the month that we, as brothers, have been raining down our efforts to improve and grow our lodge and the interaction with our brothers of other lodges, as well as our community presence. We accomplished all of this together, and I'm proud to say a hearty thank you for all the efforts that our brothers have put forth, especially our WM Jovan and his steady commitment to raining down his wisdom.

Yours fraternally,

Michael Kosatka, Senior Warden



# From the South

Greetings, brothers, and Happy Easter! By the time of our next stated meeting, our meditation and celebration of the emptiness of the tomb and the meaning of the Sun at meridian height will have been completed. Likewise, we will note that in our calendars, the Sun will have left its early darkness to begin shining its radiance in fullness upon the earth and all the Great Architect's creation. Therefore, take note of this time, labor, and refresh with strength, and enjoy this season.

Indeed, traditionally, this was the beginning of the new year as well as the new age. In turn, our Lodge will begin creating a new section of brothers for the year, with several first, second, and third degrees planned. Much like the resurrection and the old calendrical year marked this time as a new beginning, so will our new brothers mark a new beginning for their temporal lives on this mortal coil. Symbolically, the dates on their personal calendars of their initiation, passing, and raising will connect the creation of physical light in the universe with the Masonic birth of new spiritual and intellectual light in their lives. Your attendance in aiding, supporting, and observing bringing them into the light of Freemasonry is well recommended. Please check your emails for updates we will be sending out on these new degrees.

Finally, in honor of these great proceedings, we will lastly watch at the Lodge, and with grave solemnity, a total eclipse of the Sun on April 8, 2024. In turn, the wise will remark and interpret the signs and portents in the Heavens: The transit of the eclipse will rise above the US and Mexican border at Eagle Pass, Texas, the departure of the last Confederate Army in being, one hundred and fifty-nine years ago, under fellow Mason and CSA General Shelby, and the current scene of much struggle at this moment between the Great State of Texas and the White House, before parading across the Central United States to the North

Eastern border with Canada, and then slipping across the Atlantic. Mark your signs and beacons well for traveling brethren during this time and enjoy some final conviviality before the sound of the gavel in the East.

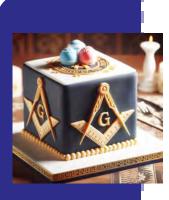
Yours fraternally,

**Reynold Ramsey, Junior Warden** 



"Freemasonry is an ancient and respectable institution, embracing individuals of every nation, of every religion, and of every condition in life. Wealth, power and talents are not necessary to the person of a Freemason. An unblemished character and a virtuous conduct are the only qualifications for admission into the Order." **Brother Andrew** Jackson

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our new website and

Calendar for all of the

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make use of the

most up-to-date Lodge activities!

### April Masonic Birthdays

Be sure to wish your Brothers a happy Masonic birthday!

Aram Hosepian	04/07/1995	Joshua Custer	04/18/1998
Tod Truettner	04/08/2009	Robert Grenier	04/18/1998
Johnny Hager	04/10/2002	Louis Leeburg	04/18/2018
Neal McDaniel	04/12/2013	John Kosel	04/20/1982
James Davis	04/13/1996	Marvin Pinnick	04/21/1971
Oliver Anderson	04/16/1952	James Strachan	04/23/2008
Dean Dennis	04/16/1953	James Wynne	04/23/2014
Richard Key	04/16/1980	Robin Madson	04/28/1982
Donald Cross	04/17/1968	James Willittes	04/29/1958
Mark Hardison	04/17/1993	Richard Green	04/30/1986
John Waldron	04/17/2013	Alfredo Molina	04/30/1986
Graham Houser	04/18/1979		

# Check out our Lodge Calendar!



Winston Churchill was initiated into Studholme Lodge No. 1591 on May 24, 1901 at the age of 26



## Words of Wisdom

"A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty."

**Brother Winston Churchill** 

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### 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.

Darren Reale

**Steven Proctor** David Silliman

Billy Kozuh

Michael Jones

Ray Najjar

## Around the Lodge

Congratulations Brother JT on being Passed to Fellow Craft, and our newly obligated Brother Daniel being initiated to Entered Apprentice!



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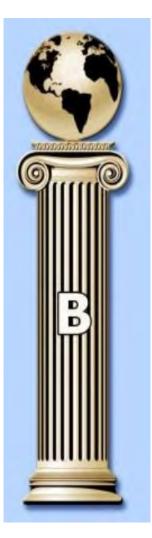
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# Paradise Valley Silver Trowel Lodge #29

### **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 (2022) Mustafa Karamujic (2023)



\* Indicates deceased