

May 2026 TRESTLEBOARD



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May Stated Meeting - Tuesday, May 12th, 2026

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Bro. Buffalo Bill Cody

A member of Platte Valley Lodge No. 32
in North Platte, Nebraska

Also a 32nd degree Scottish Rite and a Knight Templar



2026 AZTLAN LODGE OFFICERS LINE

Worshipful Master:	Dean Sulzer
Senior Warden:	Steve Phillips
Junior Warden:	Bill Searle
Treasurer:	Don Earle
Secretary:	Dave Luebke (<i>not pictured</i>)
Chaplain Pro Tem:	Clent Walker (<i>not pictured</i>)
Marshal:	Glenn Coopey (<i>not pictured</i>)
Senior Deacon:	Josh Taggart
Junior Deacon:	Derald Hogeland
Senior Steward:	<i>vacant</i>
Junior Steward:	<i>vacant</i>
Tyler:	Mo Torrey

Albert Pike's Esoterika

By Dean Sulzer, WM

Albert Pike's *Esoterika* is one of the more intriguing and lesser-known works in the landscape of nineteenth-century Masonic literature. Published in 1887, it was written later in Pike's life and reflects a more distilled, contemplative side of his thinking than the sprawling *Morals and Dogma*. Rather than serving as a ritual manual, *Esoterika* explores the hidden or "inner" meanings behind symbols, myths, and sacred language.

The title itself comes from the Greek root for "inner" or "within," signaling Pike's belief that many traditions contain layers of truth beneath their outer stories. In the book, he draws from Christianity, Judaism, classical philosophy, and ancient mystery schools, arguing that symbols are tools for moral awakening rather than mere decoration. Pike often treated allegory as a universal language capable of conveying truths that ordinary speech cannot easily express.

A central theme of *Esoterika* is that wisdom requires effort. Pike believed that sacred teachings were intentionally veiled, not to exclude people, but to encourage discipline, reflection, and personal transformation. To him, the seeker had to earn understanding through study and self-mastery.

Modern readers tend to view *Esoterika* in two ways: admirers see it as a rich synthesis of comparative religion and symbolism, while critics note Pike's dense prose and tendency to draw sweeping conclusions from diverse traditions. Either way, the work remains a fascinating window into how nineteenth-century thinkers tried to reconcile faith, reason, and ancient symbolism.

Fraternally and with heartfelt gratitude,

Dean D. Sulzer Jr.

Master Aztlan Lodge No. 1 F. & A.M. 2026



From the Secretary's Table

By Dave Luebke, PGM

My Brethren, thank you for electing me as your secretary for the remainder of this Masonic term. We are off to a good start!

It seems to me that one of the most important functions that I have is to provide education about the administration of our Lodge. So, this month I will start by addressing the use of some of the Forms and Documents available to you. All of these are available on Grandview by signing in then selecting Resources, then Master Mason.

Petition for the Degrees – Used for applying for membership in the fraternity.

Application for Affiliation Demit After Election (DAE) – Used when a brother wants to ensure he is elected to a new lodge before actually leaving his previous Lodge.

Petitions For The Degrees Dual and Plural – This one is actually mis-labeled it should be Application for Affiliation Dual and Plural and that is what you will see when you download it. This application is used when a brother wants to retain membership in one or more Lodges while joining an additional one.

Application for Affiliation Accompanied By Demit (ABD) – This form is used when a Brother has left a previous Lodge without a plan for the future. The demit referred to is a formal document that states that he was once a member of a Lodge but has chosen to leave it and that he was in good standing at the time he left.

CandidaateMM2017(A) – This is the Master Mason section of the Candidate education book and yes it is mis-spelled.

CandidaateMMQuestions2017(A) – These are the Test Questions that every Mason must answer as part of his proficiency and yes it is also mis-spelled.

2022 Resolutions for Review for the Annual Communication 6/4/2022 – Should have been removed

2020 & 2021 Carry Over Resolutions for 140th Annual Communication – Also Should have been removed

2025 AMC – This is the latest version of the Arizona Masonic Code. It is modified every year based on the changes that were adopted at the Grand Communication. Every Brother should be conversant with this Document.

That's probably enough for right now except to remind you that you can reach me at secretary@aztlanlodge.org or better yet, come visit. I have established "Office Hours" every Tuesday from 3pm until after what ever is happening at the Lodge that evening.

Fraternally,

Dave Luebke, PGM

What is Grand Lodge and What Happens There?

By Dave Luebke, PGM

Before we can define what happens at Grand Lodge, we must understand what Grand Lodge really is, which requires a bit of definition.

Grand Lodge during the First Weekend of June: We frequently hear talk about “Grand Lodge” in reference to the first weekend of June. We are really talking about the Grand Lodge communication. At this communication new officers are elected, resolutions are voted on, and other decisions are made confirming what the Grand Master did during his term as the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Arizona. During this three-day period the Grand Master is relieved of his responsibilities as Grand Master and control is returned to the craft.

Grand Lodge as a Function: Grand Lodge as a function belongs to the Grand Secretary, who administers the Grand Lodge's day-to-day activities. Things like applications, notifications, and other administrative-type duties.

Grand Lodge as an Executive: During the hiatus of the Grand Lodge (that is from the end of Grand Communication in June to the beginning of the next Grand Communication) the Grand Master is the Grand Lodge. He is responsible for all decisions, all activities, and the general operations and overall supervision of the Grand Lodge of Arizona.

So what happens during the “Grand Communication”? Here is a Breakdown

Thursday

Thursday is not actually a formal day at the Grand Lodge. Thursday morning is usually when training sessions are conducted by the Grand Treasurer, the Grand Secretary. Jurisprudence Committee conducts discussions of the Legislation and the budget is discussed. The General Policy Committee also conducts their meeting.

A word on the General Policy Committee. Their function is to review all of the Grand Master's decisions and actions and all of the Legislation and report to the Grand Lodge delegates whether or not these items positively impact the Grand Lodge of Arizona.

In the evening there is the Grand Banquet at which all of the Grand Lodge awards are presented. Awards such as the Grand Lodge Mason of the Year, Lifetime Achievement Awards, and Grand Lodge Service Awards are Presented.

Friday

Friday is the first formal day of Grand Lodge. Friday morning Grand Lodge is formally opened. Introductions are made of the Past Grand Masters, various dignitaries who are present, and the Masters of all of the lodges.

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What is Grand Lodge and What Happens There? (cont.)

By Dave Luebke, PGM

By Constitutional Requirement, the first order of business must be used to elect the new Grand Lodge Officers and Trustees. During this time, no other business may be conducted.

In the evening there is usually a banquet for the new officers and the installation of the new officers is held, with the exception that the Marshal does not make his proclamation.

Time on Friday afternoon. Legislation may be introduced or the Grand Master has the right to make special presentations and introductions.

Saturday

Saturday morning is usually reserved for a memorial service and introductions of all of the appendant bodies and presentations to the youth groups and any other organizations that the Grand Lodge may have deemed appropriate for this occasion.

Throughout the afternoon the legislation that has been introduced for the Grand Lodge year is discussed and balloted on. This usually takes quite a while. This year there are some 25 resolutions, three carryover resolutions, and the Grand Master's decisions. During this period of time and whenever possible during other days of Grand Lodge, all of the reports are adopted and other miscellaneous business may be conducted.

Just who has the votes at the Grand Lodge Communication? The answer is that each of the Pedestal Officers of each regularly chartered Lodge in Arizona has a vote (no lodges under dispensation or research lodges). Each Past Master of an Arizona Lodge also has a vote as do each of the Grand Lodge officers and appointees whether they are a Past Master or not.

After all the business of Grand Lodge is conducted, the installing Grand Marshal, is called upon to make the proclamation and all of the new Grand Lodge Officers take their positions and a new Grand Lodge year is begun.

Overall the Grand Lodge communication is a time to renew acquaintances, make new friends, learn what other lodges are doing, and overall just to enjoy Masonic fellowship.

Till next time

Dave Luebke, PGM

Affiliated Organizations

O.E.S. Golden Rule #1

1st & 3rd Thursday 7:00 p.m.
(Sept.-June)
2nd Floor Aztlan Lodge
Stacey Maxwell
(480) 387-4000

Yavapai Chapter Order of DeMolay

1st & 3rd Sunday's
6:30 p.m.
3rd Floor of Aztlan Lodge
Bill Searle
(928) 899-3664

Yavapai County Shrine Club

3rd Wednesday
5:30 p.m. meet and greet.
6:00 p.m. dinner
Call Glenn Coopey for the
location (928) 800-2298

High Country Scottish Rite Club

2nd Tuesday 5:00 p.m.
(Jan. - Oct.)
3rd Floor Aztlan Lodge
Ken Davis

Phoenix Scottish Rite Bodies

3rd Thursday, 7:00 p.m.
Phoenix Scottish Rite Facility
[7726 N 59th Ave](#)
Glendale, AZ 85301
(602) 212-1073

Check the [Lodge Calendar](#) on the website for the most up-to-date information.

Sickness and Distress

<p>Ryan Guedel 7864 N Siesta Sunset Ln Prescott Valley AZ 86315 (928) 830-8348</p>	<p>Ellie Martin 801 Vanosdale Road, Apt 239L Knoxville, TN 37909 (928) 775-3612</p>	<p>Greg Hendrickson 6598 East Beckett Trail Prescott Valley AZ 86314 (928) 533-8179</p>
<p>Clint Russell 2931 West Mountain Park Rd Show Low, AZ 85901 (928) 606-5802</p>	<p>Jonathon Tracy PO Box 25461 Prescott Valley, AZ 86312</p>	

Please reach out to our brothers and sisters. See how they are doing.
They will be most appreciative!

Lodge Member May Birthdays

BROTHER'S NAME	DATE
Jonathan Zolozabal	May 3rd
Scotty Hays	May 4th
Glenn Coopey	May 5th
Eric Leopper	May 6th
Justin Ruiz	May 11th
Arturo Valles	May 11th
Greg Galpin	May 12th
Paul Smith	May 13th
Maurice Baker	May 16th
Ryan Foster	May 17th
Douglas Kurbat	May 18th
Elvin Baker	May 20th
Everett Cox, Jr	May 22nd
Edwin Hester	May 31st



Entered Apprentice Degree Conferral



On April 21st
Brother Eddie Sobenes
was Initiated as an Entered Apprentice

A little bit about Brother Eddie

He has married been married for 5 years.

He has been living in Prescott for 3 years, before that
he lived in Taiwan for 15 years where he taught English.

Currently he is a Spanish teacher in Prescott Valley.

He has a passion for music composition, especially the flute.

Red Cross Representative Visit



Before the April 14th Stated Meeting we were honored to host Terry Xelowski, the Account Manager for Red Cross of Northern AZ.

At the dinner, Bro Don Earle handed out Masonic blood drive pins to those who have previously donated at the Azltan Lodge blood drives.

We look forward to seeing you at the next blood drive in May!



Give Blood



LOCAL HEARTS, NATIONAL IMPACT

Blood Drive

AZTLAN Lodge #1 F & AM Masonic Lodge

Banquet Room
1028 Willow Creek .
Prescott, AZ 86301

Monday, May 11th, 2026
10:00 am to 3:00 pm



To sign up to donate go to REDCROSS.org
and enter "AZTLAN" sponsor code.



May 1, 2026

5:00 - 8:00 PM

Badgers Den Restaurant

1245 White Spar Rd, Prescott AZ

The High Country Scottish Rite Club invites you and your lady to a five-course Table Lodge dinner. Celebrate brotherhood and Mother's Day with traditional rituals, gourmet dining, and ceremonial toasts honoring the women in our lives.

Menu

Appetizer: Charcuterie Plate

Salad: Cucumber Round

Entrée: 6 oz Petite Filet OR Chicken Involtini (Prosciutto, Spinach & Ricotta)

Intermezzo: Berries & Mint

Desert: Ultimate Chocolate Cake

RSVP to Ken Davis

kdavis3858@gmail.com

Limited to 30 People

**Cost \$50. Per Person + Tax & Gratuity
(includes wine for toasts)**

AZTLAN LODGE SKILLED TRADES GRANT

Supporting the next generation of skilled tradespeople. Apply now for funding to pursue your career in the trades.



The Lodge has established the **Skilled Trades Grant Program** to bolster the local workforce by removing financial barriers for students pursuing essential vocational careers. With an annual budget of **\$10,000**, the program awards five individual grants of **\$2,000** each year.

Award Structure and Financial Impact

Each year, the program provides five individual grants of **\$2,000**. These funds are intended to be flexible, covering a variety of educational expenses such as tuition, certification costs, and the purchase of professional tools. This is particularly significant given that typical trade certification costs at Yavapai College can range from **\$2,500 to \$6,000** for tuition and fees, with an additional **\$300 to \$600** required for specialized gear. By providing \$2,000, the Lodge covers a substantial portion of the out-of-pocket costs for residents pursuing high-demand careers.

Program Focus and Eligibility

The initiative specifically targets residents of **Yavapai County** enrolled in trade or technical programs. Supported fields include, but are not limited to:

- **Construction & Industrial:** Electrical, HVAC, welding, carpentry, and plumbing.
- **Service Industries:** Culinary arts and cosmetology.

Technical Trades: Automotive, aviation, and drafting.



Application and Selection

The application process is designed for ease of use, requiring a short statement of interest (maximum 250 words), proof of residency, and one reference. A dedicated committee evaluates applicants based on a 25-point scale covering **career goal clarity, commitment to the trade, financial need**, and Community Involvement.

Funds are versatile, covering tuition, specialized tools, or certification costs at local institutions like **Yavapai College CTEC**

The Review Committee uses a formal scoring sheet to evaluate applicants based on the clarity of their career goals, commitment to their chosen trade, financial need, and the overall completeness of their application. The program is open to the public, with a bonus applied to applicants' scores for community involvement, such as scouting, church involvement, and being relatives of Masons. The applications will be available by April 30, with selections made on May 31st.

For More Information, contact Ken Davis, Chairman, kdavis3858@gmail.com

A Fire in the Asteroid Belt

By Adam England, The Backyard Astronomer

The dawn of the 19th century marked a boom in astronomical discovery. Telescope technology improved rapidly, revealing a new class of objects orbiting between Mars and Jupiter.

In 1801, Italian astronomer Giuseppe Piazzi discovered Ceres, the first and largest of these bodies. A year later, Heinrich Olbers identified Pallas. These objects didn't behave like planets, yet they weren't comets either. They occupied a region that seemed curiously empty.

Olbers proposed a bold idea. He suggested to William Herschel that these bodies might be remnants of a destroyed planet. If so, additional fragments should lie along similar orbital paths. Searching near where the orbits of Ceres and Pallas intersected, Olbers made another discovery in 1807.



He had found Vesta.

Named after the Roman goddess of home and hearth, Vesta became the fourth asteroid discovered—designated 4 Vesta. While Olbers' hypothesis captured imaginations for years, modern science tells a different story. These asteroids are not fragments of a single world, but leftover building blocks from the early Solar System. That Olbers found Vesta where he did was more coincidence than confirmation.

Even so, Vesta stands apart.

With a diameter of about 330 miles, it is the second most massive object in the asteroid belt, behind Ceres. Unlike many smaller asteroids, Vesta is differentiated, with a core, mantle, and crust—more like a small planet than a typical space rock. In many ways, it is a world that nearly became one.

Its surface tells a violent story. Massive impacts have carved enormous basins into its southern hemisphere, ejecting debris that has reached Earth as meteorites. These fragments give scientists a rare chance to study a protoplanet without leaving our planet.

In 2011, NASA's Dawn spacecraft arrived at Vesta, becoming the first mission to orbit a main-belt asteroid. Over a year, it mapped the surface in remarkable detail, revealing bright and dark regions, ridges, and deep craters.

For backyard astronomers, Vesta offers a rare treat: it can be bright enough to see. Thanks to its high reflectivity, it may even reach naked-eye visibility under dark skies. More often, it appears as a bright, star-like point in binoculars or a small telescope, drifting slowly against the background stars.



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A Fire in the Asteroid Belt (cont.)

Throughout May, Vesta will share the early morning sky with Saturn and Neptune, rising just before sunrise. Look low on the eastern horizon along the ecliptic, near the boundary of Pisces and Aquarius.

Unlike planets, Vesta won't reveal a disk or surface detail in most backyard telescopes. The reward comes from tracking its motion. Over several nights, you can watch it shift among the stars—a subtle reminder that this “star” is actually a world in motion.



So this May, take a moment to seek out Vesta. You'll be looking at one of the earliest discovered members of the asteroid belt, a survivor from the dawn of the Solar System, and a world that almost was.

Clear skies and happy viewing.

Adam England is the owner of a local financial services firm and moonlights as an amateur astronomer, writer, and interplanetary conquest consultant. Follow him on Instagram [@TheBackyardAstronomerAZ](#) and at www.ManzanitaInsuranceAndAccounting.com

Photo credits:

Vesta – Imaged by Dawn spacecraft 2011, Courtesy NASA.

Vesta Size Comparison - Courtesy NASA.

Vesta location May 2026 – SkySafari.

American Freemasons: Well Known & Lesser Known

By Stan Martin, KCCH

All Freemasons are important for varying reasons. In the cross section of life a great many American Masons are more well known than others. I am also adding American Masons who may be lesser known. We are familiar with so many Masonic Presidents, Supreme Court Justices, Statesmen, Military, Civic, etc. plus other well-known celebrities in every conceivable career. There are "millions" of Freemasons including a sizable membership in the USA. Many kept/keep their affiliation secret; some were or are very "public".

FYI: Of the 56 Signers of the *Declaration of Independence*, 55 were Masons. Of the 55 members of the *Constitutional Convention* 50 were Masons. The five who did not sign were also Masons. George Washington's Generals include 24 Major Generals plus 30 of the 33 Brigadier Generals were Masons. Twenty Presidents were Masons including Ronald Reagan who was accepted as an "Honorary Mason"

American Masons FIRST met in the Colonies with the discovery of the Account Book with "Liber B" marked on its cover. It contains records for earliest known Lodges. The First entry is from June 24, 1731, when **Ben Franklin** is inscribed for paying five months dues. Franklin's "Gazette" states: "There are several Lodges of Freemasons erected in this Province." Masonry in the Colonies originated from England, Ireland and Scotland.

Well known Athletes:

Shaquille O'Neal – Basketball.....**Scottie Pippin** – Basketball.....**John Elway** – Football.....**Sugar Ray Robinson** – Boxer.....**Honus Wagner** – Baseball.....**Arnold Palmer** – Golf.....**Branch Rickey** – Baseball....."**Hunk**" **Anderson** – Football.....**Joe Frazier** – Boxer.....**Bob Feller** – Baseball.....**Art Vance** – Baseball.....**Don King** – Boxing Promoter.....**Ty Cobb** – Baseball.....**Jack Dempsey** – Boxer.....**Red Auerback**, Basketball Coach.....**Sam Hornish, Jr** – Indy. Racing Champ**Charles Conacher** – Ice Hockey.....**Jack Johnston** - Boxer "The Great White Hope".....**Jack Kemp** – Football/U S Congressman plus a great many others.

Lesser Known Brethren:

Steve Wozniak – Co-Founder "Apple, Inc.".....**Douglas Fairbanks** – Actor.....**Richard Gatling** – Inventor.....**Roy Acuff** - Country Singer.....**Fess Parker** – Actor.....**John Marshall** – Chief Justice/USA.....**Al Jolson** – Singer.....**John Philip Sousa** – Composer.....**Harry Houdini (Erich Weiss)** – Escape Artist.....**Sam Colt** – Manufacturer.....**Lionel Hampton** – Jazz Musician..... **Ringling Brothers (all seven)** – Circus Entertainers..... **John Steinbeck** – Author.....**Darryl Zanuck** – Film Producer.....**Wm. "Bud" Abbott** – Comedian.....**Gene Autry** – Movie Star/Business Man.....**Nat King Cole** – Pianist.....**Mel Blanc** – Voice Actor.....**Eberhard Faber** – Founder/Faber Pencil Co.....**Glenn Ford** – Actor.....**Walter Breuing** – World's Oldest man (114).....**King Gillette** – Businessman.....**James Hobson** – Architect/White House.....**J. Edgar Hoover** – FBI Director.....**Abraham Jarvis** – Episcopal Bishop....."**Turkey Creek**" **Johnson, Esq.** - Wyatt Earp's Posse-man.....**Emmett Kelly** – "**Weary Willy**" - Clown.....**Trent Lott** – Politician.....**J. B. Milam** – Chief/Cherokee Nation.....**Chas. Nash** – Auto Entrepreneur.....**Norman Vincent Peale**- Minister.....**Eddie Rickenbacker** – WW1 Fighter Ace.....**Will Rogers** – Humorist.....**Elliott Roosevelt**, BG/Army Air Force, Son of FDR.....**John Swett** - "Father of the California Public School".....**Danny Thomas** – Nightclub Comedian * Philanthropist.....**Charles Varnum** – Custer's Commander of Scouts.....
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American Freemasons: Well Known & Lesser Known (cont.)

James Monroe Whitfield – Abolitionist.....**Florenz Ziegfeld, Jr** – Broadway Impresario.....**Alex Haley** – Author (Roots).....**Fiorella Laguardia** – Thrice Mayor/NYC.....**Booker T. Washington** – Educator.....**Jesse Jackson** – Civil Rights Leader.....**John Jacob Astor** – Tycoon.....**David Sarnoff** - “Father of American TV”.....**Edward Jenner** – Discoverer/Smallpox cure.....**Vannevar Bush** – Computer Pioneer/1st envisioned Internet (1945).....**Cecil B. DeMille** - Film Director.....**Red Skelton** – Hollywood Comedian.....**Telly Savalas** – Character Actor.....**Brad Anderdon** – Cartoonist (Marmaduke).....**Daniel Beard** – Founder/ American Boy Scouts.....**Francis Bellamy** – Baptist Minister (wrote Pledge of Allegiance).....**Irving Berlin** (Writer of 1,500 songs).....**Roy Clark** – Country Western Singer (Grand Ole Opry).....**“Buffalo” Bill Cody** – Guide/Scout.....**Herbert Dow** – Dow Chemical Founder.....**Bob Evans** – Restaurant Founder.....**Clark Gable** – Actor.....**Samuel Gompers** – Founder AFL.....**Patrick Henry** - “Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death”.....**Robert Peary** – Discoverer/North Pole.....**John Molson** – Founder/ Breweries.....**Charles Hilton** – Founder Hilton Hotels.....**Burl Ives** – Folk Singer..... **Melvin Jones** – Co-Founder “Lions”.....**Elmo Lincoln** – First Tarzan....**Mayo Brothers** (3) – Mayo Clinic.....**Albert Michelson** - 1st American Scientist to win Nobel Prize (Measuring speed of light)

These Brethren originally candidates petitioned to seek enrichment in body, mind and spirit through involvement in Freemasonry – a fraternity which is fervently committed “to making good men better.”

Bottom Line

BROTHERHOOD. GROWTH. SUPPORT. STRENGTH. FAITH & MUTUAL ASSISTANCE.

These Goals - We Accomplish!

Stan Martin, **KCCH**

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High Country Scottish Rite Club

Four members of HCSRC travelled to Glendale on April 16 to attend the stated meeting of the Valley of Phoenix Scottish Rite meeting. We observed a well organized and efficient meeting, and we continue to be "wowed" by the changes they are making to the physical facility. Bros. Ken Davis, Darrold Hogeland, Jeff Crandell, and Don Earle attended. For those who are interested, we usually have at least one car going to the stated meetings. The meeting is on the third Thursday of the month, with dinner at 5:30.

We have an interesting lineup of programs for our upcoming meetings. We meet at 5:00 on the second Tuesday of the month on the 3rd floor of Aztlan Lodge. Most meetings are open to everyone, including:

May - Glenn Coopey *"The Influence of Irish Freemasons on the United States"*

June - Ken & Jeff *"The Square & Compasses and the Declaration of Independence"*

July - Josh Taggart *"The Guthrie Rite: Grandeur on the Prairie"*

Valley of Phoenix Events - third Thursday of the month at the Scottish Rite facility in Glendale. We usually carpool.

May Stated - SGC James Cole Visit - SGC Cole will make a rare visit to the Valley of Phoenix to discuss current events in Scottish Rite Freemasonry.

May 31 - 225th Anniversary of Scottish Rite - SJ - this will be a virtual meeting broadcast to the Glendale facility, from Charleston, SC. It will celebrate 225 years of service to Masonry. A delicious meal will be served afterward.

October 17th - Louisiana Scottish Rite EA Degree. A special degree team from Louisiana will travel to Glendale to perform their interpretation of an EA degree.

Nov 7 & 8 Joint AZ Reunion - Tucson. Plan now to join Scottish Rite at the November reunion. Applications will need to be turned in soon. Ask Ken Davis or any member of the HCSRC for more information and an application.

For those who couldn't make the April meeting, Ken presented a very impactful program about the Rose Croix, and we remembered those brothers who have laid down their working tools. Here is a link to that presentation.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1a9JmH4z5BBE53qlujMq_G02d7ffetl38/view?usp=sharing

Interested in learning more about Scottish Rite:

Scottish Rite Southern Jurisdiction

<https://scottishrite.org/>

Valley of Phoenix Scottish Rite

<https://phoenixscottishrite.org/>

High Country (Prescott) Scottish Rite

<https://www.facebook.com/HighCountryScottishRite/>

Fraternally, Ken Davis, President

Kdavis3858@gmail.com

(603) 456-3581

Yavapai County Shrine Club

We Are Embarked on a Noble Endeavor and
We Need You to Step Forward...and Have Fun!

THE SHRINE AND FREEMASONRY

Shriners International supports the Masonic tenets of **Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth** through its emphasis on fellowship, philanthropy, and integrity.

Shriners International, as an appendant body of Freemasonry, is deeply rooted in the core Masonic values of *Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth*. Here's how these principles are reflected in its mission and activities:

Brotherly Love

- Fellowship and camaraderie are central to the Shriner experience. Members form lifelong friendships through shared rituals, social events, and community service.
- Shriners foster a spirit of unity and mutual respect among members, transcending backgrounds and promoting harmony within the fraternity.
- Their iconic red fez symbolizes not just membership, but a commitment to supporting one another and the broader Masonic family



Relief

- Shriners International is best known for its **Shriners Children's network**, a system of nonprofit pediatric hospitals that provide specialized care regardless of a family's ability to pay.
- This commitment to **charitable relief** exemplifies the Masonic ideal of helping those in need, especially children facing orthopedic conditions, burns, spinal cord injuries, and cleft lip and palate.
- Members actively raise funds, volunteer, and advocate for these hospitals, making philanthropy a cornerstone of their identity.

Truth

- Shriners uphold the Masonic value of **truth** by promoting ethical conduct, personal growth, and transparency in their operations.
- The organization encourages members to live with integrity, seek knowledge, and honor the traditions of Freemasonry.
- Educational programs and public outreach help demystify their work and reinforce their commitment to honest service.



SHRINE CLUB STATED MEETING

3rd Weds. of each month

Contact Glenn Coopey for details

gpcmm32s@outlook.com or (928) 800-2298

Shriner's Hospital for Children

Where Hope and Healing Meet. Compassion and Expertise Come Together. And Lives Are Changed

At Shriners Hospitals for Children, patients and families find hope, compassion and quality care for complex medical conditions. Every day at our 22 locations throughout North American, we are improving lives and helping dreams become realities.

- Our excellent physicians, surgeons, therapists and other medical staff help children with orthopedic conditions, burns, spinal cord injuries and cleft lip and palate have the fullest lives possible.
- Our innovative research and outstanding medical education programs help us carry our mission even further.
- Our commitment to our mission of providing care, conducting research and offering medical education helps expand the worldwide body of medical knowledge and improve the quality of life for people around the world.

Criteria for Receiving Care

Children up to age 18 are eligible for care at Shriners Hospitals for Children if there is a reasonable possibility they can benefit from the specialized services available. Acceptance as a patient is based solely on the child's medical needs.

For more information

To find out more about the quality care we offer at Shriners Hospitals for Children, please visit shrinershospitalsforchildren.org

If you know of a child we can help, have their parent or guardian call (800) 237-5055



DeMOLAY



Mickey Mouse was never a Freemason, but he was a member of DeMolay, a Masonic youth organization. Mickey's creator, Walt Disney, was active in DeMolay in his youth and inducted into the DeMolay Legion of Honor.

In 1931, Mickey appeared in a series of strips sporting the DeMolay insignia. The strips and individual drawings of Mickey with the insignia were signed by Walt himself.

The only organization Mickey was ever identified with in any comic strip was the DeMolay.



If you know any young man of good character, age 12 – 21, we extend a warm invitation to you and them. This is a great opportunity to learn more about DeMolay International and how it can benefit young men. We look forward to welcoming you!

TRUSTEES

**Monthly meetings are the Monday before
the Stated Meeting and as scheduled
by the Worshipful Master**

Term Ending 2026: Ken Thomas, Scotty Hays

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Aztlan Masonic Cemetery

2025 Activities at Aztlan No.1 Masonic Cemetery

February: Scout Troop 7330 helped remove a good portion of the stones lining the main North/South path. (very much a trip hazard)

May: Brother volunteers helped remove the rest of the stones. Special thanks goes out to Brother Bob Steffen for the use of his tractor with bucket scoop.

Additional Note: If any Brother or a neighbor is in need of stones for a landscaping project, you can take all you need from the pile just off the Southeast corner of the cemetery.

July: Brother volunteers pulled a truck load of weeds.

September: Eagle Scout project. Candidate Amelia Gonsalves planned and organized the construction of three benches. Also, reconditioned existing benches in need of help.

November: Eagle Scout ceremony at the Lodge. Coordinated by the O.E.S.

December: Dead and dying plants removed along center path.

Throughout the year, Flags were placed and removed at the Veteran gravesites.

Plans are underway for further beautification.

For those interested in helping out. We plan on having another "Helping Hand Day" on April 18th at 9:00am. There is plenty to do. Bring tools, gloves, a hat, sun screen and wheelbarrow if you have one. Shovels and gravel rakes would be good too. Water will be provided and if we get finished early enough, a free lunch.

Thanks in Advance.

**Glenn P Coopey - Chairman
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Aztlan Masonic Cemetery

Here is how you can obtain your reservation:

- 1) MUST be a Member-in-Good-Standing (dues paid) of Aztlan Lodge #1 to reserve a Space
- 2) A Brother may reserve space(s) for himself and spouse ONLY
- 3) Contact a member of the Cemetery Committee for Protocols and information:
 - a. Glenn Coopey – Chairman
 - b. GW Scotty Hays – Secretary
 - c. Paul Adkins – Veterans' Benefits
 - d. Fred Burr – Administration
 - e. Richard Guinn – Veterans', Benefits
 - f. Joe Larive – Administration
 - g. Charles Thompson – Administration
- 4) Discuss pre-need options, responsibilities, do's/don'ts, availability
- 5) Select a suitable space, complete Space Request Form (3 copies). \$250/space donation
- 6) Submit all requirements to Chairman, who will confirm, and give to Secretary
- 7) Secretary will forward to Lodge Leadership for approval
 - a. If approved, forward donation to Treasurer for Cemetery Fund
 - b. If denied, return donation to Brother
- 8) Secretary returns all three copies to Cemetery Committee Chairman
 - a. Copy One returned to Brother
 - b. Copy Two filed with Committee
 - c. Copy Three filed with Lodge

Henry McGrath of Scout Troop 7007 has completed his Eagle Scout Project. Eagle Review Board met on 15 July 2025 to review his project. He has worked with American Legion Post #6 in Prescott to build and place boxes for collecting used and damaged US Flags. There is one such box outside the Secretary's office on the second floor of the Lodge. All Lodge members are encouraged to deposit their used and damaged flags there.

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Lodge Calendar for May 2026

These calendar dates are tentative, see Aztlan Lodge [website](#) for updates.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					May 1 5pm Scottish Rite Ladie's Night @ Badgers	2
3	4 7:30am Prescott Coffee 6:30pm DeMolay Meeting	5 6:30pm STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING	6	7 6:30pm O.E.S.	8	9 9am Education Saturday 2026 Resolutions Discussion
10	11 10am - 3pm Red Cross Blood Drive 6:30pm Trustee Meeting	12 5pm SCOTTISH RITE 6pm DINNER 7pm STATED MEETING	13 7pm FC Masonic Education	14	15	16 Kingman Hualapi Outdoor Degree
17	18 6:30pm DeMolay Meeting	19 Degree Practice	20 6pm Shrine Club Stated MTG Dinner	21 6:30pm O.E.S. Scottish Rite MTG in Phoenix	22	23 8am Chino Valley Coffee 11am O.E.S. Officer Installation
24	25	26 Degree Practice	27 7pm MM Masonic Education	28	29	30
31	June 1					