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December 2009

Frank Prokop
Worshipful Master

Jim Seppala
Senior Warden

Ron Wayne, PM
Junior Warden

Bob Hicks, PM
Secretary

Ray Eastep, PM
Treasurer

Calendar of Events 2009		
Month	Day	Event
Nov	18 th Wed	Red Cross Blood Drive 12:00-5:00 PM
	21 st Sat	Work Day at Lodge 8:00 AM Was changed from highway cleanup to workday.
Dec	10 th Thu	Stated Meeting 7:00 PM and Dinner at 6:00 PM
	12 th Sat	Installation of Worshipful Master Elect Jim Seppala and the 2010 Officers. 1:00 PM
Jan	14 th Thu	Dinner 6:00 PM, Stated Meeting 7:00 PM.



Senior Warden And Worshipful Master Elect

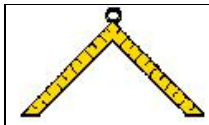
Dear Brethren,

I want to thank you for electing me as Worshipful Master and the other officers to fill the line for the 2010 year. We will work hard at maintaining your confidence and look forward to the challenges which face us.

Even before this writing, our progressive line was weak and it has become even weaker with the resignation of WB Richard Lindsay, Junior Warden, he has health problems that require surgery and a recovery period. Also Bro. Jim Latham the Senior Deacon had a gall bladder attacked and required emergency surgery. It isn't known how long he will be sidelined. He had earlier decided not to progress to the Junior Warden position. WB Frank Prokop our Jr. Past Master has decided to fill the Junior Warden spot but he will be having knee surgery in January and we will need Past Masters to fill in for him while he recuperates. Things are not dire but they are close.

The line is being filled by Past Masters except for me. Brethren we need your help not to just fill the line but to keep Temple Lodge going as a vibrant Lodge. The Grand Lodge requires that we have Officers who are proficient in the initiating, passing and the raising of new Masons; right now we only have 3 such Officers. If we can not meet the proficiency standard our Charter will be pulled by the Grand Lodge after the 2010 year. At the November stated meeting we gave a 50 year service award to Bro. Gaylord Dobson. He described how the Lodge building was constructed some 40 years ago and how the various Brothers stepped forward to construct our Lodge Building. We heard an impassioned plea by WB Ron Wayne, Senior Warden for brethren to help fill in the line or we could have only one more year as Temple Lodge. We need that help Brethren. We need YOU to step forward and help build Temple Lodge again. We need someone who can step into the Junior Warden spot and progress to Worshipful Master. We need Brethren to fill the Deacon positions committed to move through to Worshipful Master. If we can't do this, we may need to look at other future options.

Worshipful Master 2010
Jim Seppala, SW



From the East Frank Prokop Worshipful Master

Being Worshipful Master of Temple Lodge 51 was a great honor for me. I learned a lot about Masonry and I will never forget my year. Thank you! Now that we have had our elections, I would encourage everyone to get behind Worshipful Master Elect Jim Seppala and help him start his year on a positive note.

If you were at the last Stated Meeting, you would have heard an impassioned plea from WB Ron Wayne, PM and Senior Warden Elect talking about the future of Temple Lodge 51 and ask our members to help with our officer line. If Temple Lodge 51 is going to continue, we need members to step up and fill chairs in the officer line. The current officers will help anyone that is willing to step up and help.

At the last Stated Meeting I had the honor to present two 50 year long longevity awards. One to Brother's Gaylord W Dopson and the other to James H Heath. Brother James Heath also received his 50 year award from Colorado presented by WB Ron Wayne, PM and WB Barry Emeson, PM, both Past Masters from Colorado. Thank you!

Special Election Notice: At the next Stated Meeting we will be having a special election for a new JR Warden. WB Richard Lindsay has informed us that for health reasons, he has decided to step down. The election will be held in accordance with Part 4, Article 1, Section 102 of the A.M.C.

Stated Meeting Dinner: The menu for the December Stated Meeting dinner will be Roast Beef, Potatoes, Gravy, Vegetable, Salad, Sugar and Sugar free Desserts, and Drinks. Dinner will be served promptly at 6:00 PM. Get there a little early for some socializing. If you are planning to attend, call or email Brother Bob Meisenheimer by the Monday before the meeting.

Grocery Store Fundraising Program: This article contains new information about our Grocery Store fundraising. With all the equipment and facility replacements that the lodge is faced with, we need your support.

Bashas: The 2009-2010 "Shop & Give" program for Bashas runs until April 30, 2010. Last year we made well over a hundred dollars. All the members have to do is link the Lodge 51, ID number "23348" with the Basha's thank you key chain card. We will get an additional 1 per cent on top of our 6 per cent for the pre-charged Community Support Card. This year (2009 - 2010) Basha's has extended the program an extra month.

Fry's: We earn a 7% rebate on all purchases by using both a pre-charged buying (Gift) Card and your VIP card. By the way, the first Wednesday of the month is Senior's Day with a 10% discount on all purchases.

Safeway: We can earn a rebate on all purchases by using your Safeway Club Card that has been registered to our lodge.

If you have any questions on how to help your lodge at no cost to you, please call Dick Gillespie (825-3901) or Bob Meisenheimer (229-9294)

Report stolen, lost or misplaced grocery store gift cards to these Brothers. The card will be cancelled and your money returned. Also record your card number and put it in a safe place.

Recruiting: Do you know of any young man who wants to become a Mason? He must be a man, believes in a Supreme Being and a future existence; of moral conduct, coming under the tongue of good report and well recommended. At the time the petition is submitted he must be 18 years of age or older. We do have some prospects but we need to have more.

Child Identification Program (CHIP): This program is a national effort endorsed by all masons to promote the safety of children. This is at no cost to parents and guardians.

Each child is photographed, digitally fingerprinted, DNA sample taken with all data recorded on a CD and given to the child's parent or guardian who has given written acceptance of the procedure. In the event a child is abducted this information can be given to local authorities and immediately broadcast nationwide.

The kit to accomplish these tasks contains a computer, printer, fingerprinting machine, camera, video recorder and DNA sampling equipment. The cost of one CHIP kit is \$4000.00.

Peggy Atchley is the Southern Arizona Chairperson for CHIP. They have been very busy this year with presentations

to New York Life Ins Co, St Joseph's and St Mary's Day Care Center, Tucson Special Olympics, Kiwanis Club's with events in Peoria, St David, Tucson, Phoenix, Mesa and Marana to name a few. The demand is growing as organizations learn about the CHIP program.

There are not enough CHIP kits to enable the volunteers to meet the demand.

Career Opportunity: Temple Lodge No. 51 needs a Wellness Committee Chairman. This is someone who would be a point of contact for those members who are sick or infirm. He would keep the Worshipful Master and officers informed of those brothers who are in distress. He would not be expected to visit everyone but to be a point of contact for those who do wish to visit.

Appreciation Time: To Brother Robbie Roberts for all the times that he had to open the Lodge for electrical contractors and for the removal of the old stove. WB Ron Wayne for hooking up the gas to the new stoves and Brother Bob Meisenheimer for finding us a great deal on the new stoves.

Visitors to our Lodge: At the November Stated Meeting and dinner, we were honored by a visit from WB Jeff Carlton, Junior Grand Deacon of the Grand Lodge, F. & A.M. of Arizona. You are always welcome at our Lodge. Thank you for the visit.

Community Service: The Mountain Vista School in Oracle has requested Reading Tutors and Library Helpers. The San Manuel Jr/Sr High School needs Arithmetic, Algebra and Geometry Tutors. You can pick your own schedule. Check the bulletin board or contact the Worshipful Master for more information and who to contact at the various schools.



Secretary's Desk
Bob Hicks, PM
Secretary

For those of you that need information about Temple Lodge 51, or its members, please call me at 520-825-0373, e-mail me at rlrhicks@wbhsi.net or write me at 63412 E. Desert Crest Drive, Tucson AZ 85739. I also need you to help me keep our Membership data up to date by notifying me immediately of any change in your phone number, home address, e-mail address or other pertinent information you care to share. Also I have a goodly number of catalogs of Masonic supplies and memorabilia for your use.

Masonic Anniversaries

Brother	Date	Yrs
Robert B Bowlin	12/15/1981	28
John C Cowles, PM	12/13/1994	15
Robert L Hicks, PM	12/10/1998	11
Clark R Holborn	12/10/2001	8
Hurshil L Maddox	12/11/1970	39
William H Pohnert, MD	12/17/1973	36
Reuben D Roberts	12/14/1989	20
Roger G Sax	12/10/1966	43
Larry B Smith	12/11/1978	31
William L Swink, PM	12/5/1980	29
Harold I Teuteberg	12/29/2001	8
Garfield G Thomas	12/7/1949	50
Ralph E Werley	12/5/1957	52
Frederick E Winkler, JR	12/28/1981	28

Masonic Facts and Definitions

Why do we use "So Mote It Be" Instead of Amen?

"So Mote It Be" are the final words in the Regius Poem meaning "So May It Be". "Mote" is old English for "May". Masons have used the phrase since the beginning of time. The written history of the Craft of Freemasonry includes many other words now obsolete which bring the sanctity of age and the continuity of ritual from ancient days to modern times.

The Webster Dictionary defines "So Mote It Be" as: So Be It; Amen; - a phrase in some rituals, as that of the Freemasons.

Information partly from the Web-Sites: Torrance University Lodge #394 and the Webster Dictionary Web-Site
Frank Prokop, WM

Reminders:

- (1) Look at the Lodge's website for the latest Calendar of Events and also driving directions to the lodge. Our lodge website is www.templelodge51.org.
- (2) Notify or verify your e-mail address. Send Brother Bob Meisenheimer an email.
- (3) If you need a ride, contact Brother Jim Latham.
- (4) Let us know if you want a Lodge Shirt.
- (5) Don't forget our 50-50 drive.

2009 Officers and Committees

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Find an error, win a buck: If you find an error in the Trestleboard (other than spelling or grammar) and are the first to report it, you'll win a \$1 discount for your next stated meeting dinner. Contact the editors to see if you won. Several of our Brothers have already been a winner.

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Brothers, this space is for you. All you need is to write an article, get it approved by the Worshipful Master and he will send it to me for inclusion in the Trestleboard. ~ Editor