



# Trestleboard – January 2019

## DOWNTOWN LODGE #86

Free & Accepted Masons of Arizona



Downtown Lodge #86 meets every 4th Monday 7:30 pm at: 450 S. Tucson Blvd. Tucson, AZ

*Dark: July & August*

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### Articles of Pedestal Officers

#### By WB Dave Morganflash, Worshipful Master Downtown 86

A MESSAGE FROM THE EAST

Welcome to 2019! I hope everyone had a fantastic holiday season and got to spend quality time with their loved ones. Here we are stepping into a new year and I am very excited for what we will accomplish together as a lodge. We have some great momentum already to build off of, and with the commitment made by the line officers, this year will be SOLID! I truly look forward to the New Year and the memories we will make. Thank you to each member of our lodge for your participation and dedication to our Lodge and the Craft. Here is a small list of some of the events I am looking forward to in 2019:

- Lodge Unity
- Lodge Education every stated meeting
- Upcoming Degrees and Practices
- 3rd Riders Toy Run to Square & Compasses Clinic
- 86&87 Cigar Night
- Official Visits- Traveling as a Lodge
- Proficiency Parties
- 2019 Leadership Conference
- Line Officers Gaining Proficiencies
- Downtown 86 Social Nights at Sabbar
- Grand Lodge

Fellowship with all my Brothers! Cheers! to the New Year my Brothers!

Faternally,

David Morganflash, WM



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### **By WB Bil Hole, Senior Warden Downtown 86**

#### A MESSAGE FROM THE WEST

As I gaze from the West I see great things looming on the horizon of 2019. From the leadership of our Worshipful Master with the assistance of our Past Masters, and with the aid of all the Brothers of 86, I see a bigger and better Downtown Lodge #86 than ever.

I see dedication and participation of the officers and members to make good men better men as we continue to make new Masons. I see more passion and desire to learn in this small Lodge than I have ever seen in any other Lodge in my 32 years as a Mason.

That being said, I can tell you that have never in those 32 years been so proud to have been elected to serve any lodge as Senior Warden. I will work diligently with Worshipful Brother Dave, Brother Marcos and all my Brothers to elevate Downtown Lodge to heights not yet achieved. All that is needed to fully achieve the goals as set down by our Worshipful Master is the continued Brotherhood of the Lodge and full participation of all in our small Lodge. With the spirit which currently consumes Downtown Lodge we can achieve goals which other sizeable lodges can only hope to achieve.

Thank you all, my Brothers, for allowing me to sit in the West

Fraternally,

Bil Hole, PM, SW

### **By Brother Marcos Castro, Junior Warden Downtown 86**

#### A MESSAGE FROM THE SOUTH



I Had the pleasure of going to Disneyland for Christmas with my family and as some of you know Mr. Walt Disney was a Freemason and very big in DeMolay. What a lot of people do not know is he has a special place for us at Disneyland it's called Club 33. It is located in the New Orleans section of Disneyland. But before you get excited you must be at 33rd Degree Mason. It is extremely hard to get into and it is also the only place that you will find alcohol on the whole compound. The most interesting part of Club 33 are the symbols which Masons will recognize, and the strangest part is the stuffed vultures that are there. It is worth the time to look it up.

Fraternally, Marcos Castro



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### Articles of Appointed Officers

#### By WB Gustavo Portillo, Secretary Downtown 86

From the Secretary's table:

Please remember that dues are due January 1, 2019. So, if you haven't paid your dues yet, it is time to do so. If you have some health or financial issues that makes paying your dues a problem, please let us know so we can see what we might be able to do to help. Don't wait until the last minute and risk being suspended.

Also, PLEASE tell us if you have moved! You can mail us or email us with the information. We really need to have current addresses and would appreciate phone numbers and email addresses as it really makes communicating so much easier.

A special thanks to all of you who have not only paid your dues and have made donations to our various programs.

Don't forget, stated meetings are the fourth Monday of every month. Come on out and share in the fellowship. You can also check the website for other events and degrees at: <https://www.downtown86.com>

WB. Gus Portillo

Secretary.

### Further Education

#### By WB Bil Hole, Senior Warden Downtown 86

INTRODUCTION TO FREEMASONRY

AND THE ENTERED APPRENTICE

PART 5

THE LODGE

During the ceremonies of initiation, the Entered Apprentice is informed what a lodge is. In other than words of the ritual, a Masonic Lodge is a body of Masons warranted or chartered as such by its Grand Lodge.

The lodge usually comes into being when a certain number of Brethren petition the Grand Master, and if it is his pleasure, issues a dispensation which forms these brethren into a provisional Lodge, or a Lodge under dispensation, commonly referred to as U. D. The powers of a U. D. Lodge are limited. It is not yet a regularly constituted Lodge but, rather, an early state organization. It is not until the Grand Lodge has voted upon and approved the U. D. Lodge as a regular Lodge that it is consecrated, dedicated and constituted by the Grand



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Master and his officers or his delegates and becomes a “Just and Legally Constituted Lodge.” At this point a Charter is issued naming the officers and members of the newly constituted lodge.

As an aside, a Lodge in Hawai’i, Lodge Le Progres de l’Océanie, became the first Masonic Lodge west of the Rocky Mountains under the Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite of the Supreme Council of France, and was constituted on April 8, 1843. Hawai’ian Lodge #21 F&AM was the second Lodge to be established in Hawai’i on May 5, 1852 and came under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of California. Finally, on May 20, 1989, the Grand Lodge of Hawai’i came into being, under which all Hawai’ian Lodges are now joined.

Lodge Officers are either elected or appointed. In some jurisdictions all the officers are elected. In Arizona, the Master, Senior and Junior Wardens, Treasurer and Secretary are elected while the remaining officers are appointed by the incoming Worshipful Master. The term of office is one year, but nothing prevents reelection of the Master or Wardens. Usually, the Treasurer and Secretary are regularly reelected until they no longer wish to serve as such.

In the absence of the Master, the Senior Warden assumes the powers, duties and responsibilities of the Master. In the absence of the Master and Senior Warden, the same powers, duties and responsibilities of the Master fall upon the shoulders of the Junior Warden.

All lodges have an officer known as a Tiler. It is his duty to guard against “cowans and Eavesdroppers. In operative days the secrets of Freemasons were a valuable coin of the realm. The Mason who knew the “Mason Word” could travel in foreign countries and receive a Master’s wages. For this purpose, many who could not or would not conform to the Freemason requirements tried to obtain the secrets in a clandestine manner. The eavesdropper is, literally: One who attempts to listen under the eaves, receiving droppings from the roof. He was a common thief who tried to learn by stealth that which he would not learn by work. The cowan was an ignorant mason who laid stones together without mortar, or piled rough stone from the field into a wall which was not square or true. He was the mason without the word and with no reputation; the Apprentice who tried to masquerade as a Master.

*(Paraphrased in part from Introduction to Freemasonry by Carl H. Claudy, © 1931)*

**By Brother Glenn Morgan, Marshall Downtown 86**

Masonic exploration. Why you should visit other Lodges.

One of the primary joys of being a Mason, I am told, is the fun involved in travelling to a distant Lodge and meeting all the Brothers there. To travel and join in their ceremonies and experience all the differences in how they perform ritual, and then seeing someone else botch it up for a change.



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This isn't mere Schadenfreude, but a recognition of a commonality and brotherhood that we all have off-days, and how we strive to rise above it and follow our duty to be better men. Some of the best Lodge Stated Meetings of which I've been a part had some epic Ritual botches. And while I am a believer in the dignity of Ritual, every once in a while it's fun to watch the Lodge brothers having to stifle a smile, or outright chuckle as the bon mot of the moment continues to reverberate in the minds of the attendees.

Sharing that moment creates a bond between all present, and no one else will ever understand exactly how it felt to be there, no matter how hard you try to explain it to them. To liberally misuse and excerpt Shakespeare's rousing speech in Henry the 5th "We few, we happy few, we band of brothers...and gentlemen in England now-a-bed shall think themselves accursed they were not here."

Glenn Morgan, Marshall

### Masonic Birthdates

January:

- WB Pat Zech, 2012
- Br Anthony Kincheloe, 2016

February:

- *None*

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### 2017-2018 Downtown 86 Lodge Line-up

| Position / Station | Name                  |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Worshipful Master  | WB Dave Morganflash   |
| Senior Warden      | WB Bil Hole           |
| Junior Warden      | Bro. Marcos Castro    |
| Treasurer          | WB Jason Stryker      |
| Secretary          | WB Gus Portillo       |
| Chaplain           | WB Aaron Feagly, JP   |
| Marshall           | Bro. Glenn Morgan     |
| Senior Deacon      | Bro. Toby Thomas      |
| Junior Deacon      | Bro. Timothy Strasser |
| Senior Steward     | Bro. Mark Jaime       |
| Junior Steward     | Bro. Nick Dacus       |
| Tiler              | Bro. Larry Wilhite    |

| Trustee (Yr) | Name            |
|--------------|-----------------|
| 1            | WB Pat Zech     |
| 2            | WB Eric Dupree  |
| 3            | WB Aaron Feagly |

### Upcoming Events

Please see our most complete calendar of events at: [www.downtown86.com/meet-dt86](http://www.downtown86.com/meet-dt86)

### Sickness & Distress

There is health and happiness in the lodge, however, this does not mean there is peace or contentment in all corners. If you or a loved one are suffering from an illness or are in any kind of distress, please reach out to our Worshipful Master Dave Morganflash at: (520) 549-8292 or [dmorganflash@hotmail.com](mailto:dmorganflash@hotmail.com)



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