

Sierra Vista, AZ  
F.&A.M.  
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# Huachuca Lodge #53

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*Manly P. Hall*

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“Experiences are the chemicals of life with which the philosopher experiments.”

## Next Stated Meeting!

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**Our next Stated Meeting** will be held on **December 6, 2017** at 7pm. Please join us for dinner and fellowship at the Lodge prior to the meeting at 6pm. See you there!

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## *Around the Lodge*

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Brethren,

On 29 November 2017, Huachuca Lodge #53, F&AM, conferred the Third Degree of Masonry on Brother Gaber Abouzeid. It was another great night with an exceptional performance by our degree team. Extra special thanks to all of the Brethren who stepped up at the last minute to make this night happen. Please continue to support our Candidates and degree teams on these evenings. You are the ones who make Masonry in Southern Arizona Great!

## **MM Degree for Bro. Gaber Abouzeid**

**29 November 2017**

Congratulations to Brother Gaber Abouzeid!




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## **Tuesday Practice**

Tuesday practice is still a thing. It is held every Tuesday at 4:00 PM in the Giacobbi room. If you need to learn a part for an upcoming degree, or are studying so you can advance in the progressive line, this is a great place to practice. There is always a team of guys ready to assist you with your work. Just stop by and enjoy the fun.

Please contact WB Andrew Anderson @ 520-234-3225 with any questions.

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## **Submissions**

Please remember that the deadline for Newsletter submissions is the 20th of the month preceding the publication. If you send in a photo or “piece” of information you would like included, please attach any relevant information as well (e.g., dates, locations, names, etc.). It is hard to track down some of those things and I would like to keep disseminated information as accurate as possible.

Fraternally,

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*Appendant Bodies*

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**HUACHUCA SHRINE CLUB**

The Shrine Club status has changed from active to inactive by going dark. I stress that the Shrine Club is now dark, NOT, disbanded as has been reported by some.

So, what does this mean? It means that the Huachuca Shrine Club will conduct an annual meeting in October to include the Official Visit by the SABBAR Shrine Potentate and the Divan and hold elections / installation of new Officers to get the Club back to active status; it means that Vidalia onions will be available locally to support SABBAR Shrine; it means that a representative will be available to assist families with help in getting to Shrine Hospitals; it means that the Huachuca Shrine Club will stay represented in the Joint Service Club organization of Sierra Vista by maintaining the Shrine Scimitar sign at the city entrance on Hwy-90; it means that SABBAR Shrine semi-annual Ceremonials, to make new Shriners, will continue to be supported; it means that a listing, not to be lost in the process, of Past Club Presidents, Mounted Patrol and the Shrine Vigilantes Nobles will not get lost; and most important, that Masonic Widows of Shrine Nobles will not be forgotten.



A short explanation of why the Huachuca Shrine Club is going dark:

For the past year, the Shrine Club has held joint meetings with the Cochise Masonic High Twelve Club and during this time efforts were made to get Nobles to step up and get active by serving as Shrine Club Officers. This was unsuccessful, hence going dark was the next option. To maintain a Shrine contact locally, two Nobles have agreed to be points of contact for the Shrine and they are, Noble's Tom Jones and Andy Anderson. All Nobles and Ladies are encouraged to attend the High Twelve Club meetings as to keep in contact with Shrine doings as announcements about SABBAR Shrine activities will be made when appropriate, i.e. onions and ceremonials. Thank you to all those Nobles and Ladies who have supported the Huachuca Shrine Club for over fifty years here in Sierra Vista.

Finally, THE TEN MOST POWERFUL TWO-LETTER WORDS: *IF IT IS TO BE, IT IS UP TO ME.*

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**COCHISE MASONIC HIGH TWELVE CLUB #703**

*(The Best Club in The Zone)*

The December 8, 2017 Club meeting will be held at My Place Restaurant, 1081 E. Fry Blvd, (520) 458-1743, starting at, order food off the menu at 4:30 meeting starts at 5 PM. The program will be Christmas gift exchange, limit ten dollars per gift, exchanging a gift is optional. For planning purposes on February 17, 2018 we will honor our Masonic Widows with a luncheon.

The Club Officers send their best wishes for a great, safe and quiet Christmas celebration.

**Andy Anderson,**  
**Secretary**

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*From the East*

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Brethren,

we are about to put 2017 on the books and move into 2018. 2017 was an eventful year, bookended by issues with the roof over the Giacobbi room, beginning with urgent need to repair it and ending (God-willing and fingers crossed) with its repair and the reopening of half of our building. We lost our WM, WB Bobby Bezduch in May as he moved on to California to take a new job, and we lost several other active members, who succumbed to the terminal illness known as “mortal life.”



On a brighter note, we have initiated, passed, and raised several active Masons this year with ability and aspiration to further the craft through regular support and innovation. I am very optimistic about the future of Huachuca #53 and Arizona Freemasonry as a whole.

2018 promises to bring some changes to the lodge, such as the addition of a memorial education fund in honor of the late Mel Ugalde, as well as some new and promising fundraising activities that provide a method for long-term financial health. I personally look forward to the ensuing Masonic year, and will continue to make myself available to all the brethren throughout the year. Thank you for your continued support, thank you for your individual contributions, and I look forward to seeing all of you at the next stated meeting.

Fraternally,

John Lervold,  
WM