

From the East

We had another incredible month last month with lots more to be proud of. We continued in our mission of growing our Lodge in membership, finances, and charitable work. Please continue to study for your degree work and for the next position as well. Things can always happen and the greater flexibility we have the better as well as expanding our own intellectual faculties.

Our work on bikes for books is admirable and a source that we can all take pride in. This increases our involvement and support for our community and most importantly encourages the next generation to increase their intellectual faculties by reading. Well done to the leaders of this committee as well as everyone that came out to.

Please sell raffle tickets and/or buy them. Our lodge funds will need a boost so that we can go into next year prepared to do even more for charity. Also if you have not paid your 2024 dues please do so prior to June as we will be send out final notices before we move to the unhappy duty of suspending members for non-payment of dues which none of us want to see. If you feel that there are financial or medical reason why you are unable to pay your dues please reach out to myself or the secretary so that we can assist with the right program. There are options.

Thank you to everyone who make this an incredible lodge to part of.

Marcus Hensley



From the West

Rob Stewart, Senior Warden Mohave Valley #68

I want to start off with a big thank you to all who helped with our Bikes for Books. We had great support with this program. The donations (you know who you are) and sponsorships we received helped us to buy 24 bikes without issue. Shout out to Rad Stop Bike Shop as well. To everyone who came to help assemble the bikes, thank you! It's coming together for a common goal that makes our organization thrive.

We have special events coming up in next couple months, so keep an eye on the Facebook page for updates. All events at our building are posted on multiple pages. The Mohave Shrine Club, Mohave Valley 68, and Miracle Mile Event Center are the main pages to watch for updates on everything going on.

I also want to say thank you to all the lodges of district one for joining us as we perform various degrees. I don't see the degree work slowing anytime soon, and it's wonderful for our nearby brothers to join in and assist.

Robert Stewart



Stated Meeting
May 1, 2024
Gavel At 7PM
Dinner at 6PM
Cost \$12



Entered
Apprentice
Degree May
8, 2024 6:00
PM





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BULLHEAD CITY, AZ

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Stated Meetings, first Wednesday of every month

Birthdays

- Morgan Fain 5/3
- Michael Partipilo 5/3
- Brant Shaw 5/12
- Mark Lueck 5/18
- Darryl McKellips 5/22
- Ricky Christopherson 5/27

Anniversaries

- 5/1 Leslie Kyle 49 Years
- 5/8 Chuck Probst 11 Years
- 5/12 Hans Krahl 6 Years
- 5/13 Luis Rodriguez 7 Years
- 5/22 Phillip Gunnels 25 Years
- 5/22 Thomas Thate 27 Years
- 5/23 Steve Helm 23 Years
- 5/24 Clint Stevens 18 Years
- 5/24 Rick Tanner 28 Years
- 5/25 Prosper Patton 54 Years
- 5/27 Mark Lueck 18 Years



Charlie Smith, Junior Warden

Seeing our brothers and their significant others who worked together to assemble the bikes for our bikes for books program was a great sight. That's what Masonry is about is coming together to work and getting the task at hand done. Our bikes for book program are getting bigger and better than it was before, something our lodge should have a sense of pride about for their hard work. Our lodge is growing, and we have prospective members just waiting to join. Our lodge's future is looking great. Let us keep up the good work and our future will continue to be bright.



From the Desk of the Secretary Chuck Probst

Secretary's Report as of May 1, 2024:

- 111 Master Mason
- 4 FellowCraft
- 0 Entered Apprentice
- 2 Prospects

Calendar Listing:

- May 1 Stated Meeting
- May 8 Entered Apprentice Degree
- May 18 Hualapai Outdoor Degree
- May 31 Foodie Friday
- Every Monday Bunco



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Sunrise Chapter #60, Order of the Eastern Star brings you greetings for the month of April.

Sunrise Chapter #60, Order of the Eastern Star brings you greetings for the month of May. We had a very busy April, with the Official Visit of our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and hosting the Hands Across the Border with Nevada. At our last meeting we honored our Chapter Secretary, Brother Rick Tanner, and presented him with a gift of appreciation for all he does for the Order.

On April 27, 2024, we had our community trash pickup day. Sunrise Chapter has adopted two areas in Bullhead City that we clean twice a year. We met at the shrine at 9:00am and had twelve participants. After the cleanup, we had lunch together at the Laughlin River Lodge in the coffee shop. The event was fun and eventful as usual!

At our next meeting we will be saying goodbye to the 2023 - 2024 corps of officers and electing new ones to lead us into 2025. We will also be holding an initiation at the meeting, welcoming in another new member for the year!

Please mark May 4, 2024, on your calendars for our Annual Derby Day. The event will begin at 1:00pm with a luncheon for \$12.00 and then followed with a Derby hat contest, 50/50 drawings, the Sunrise #60 Derby race, and to complete the day, we will watch the Kentucky Derby on the big screen in the Dining Room. This year we have two new entries in the horse race, one from the lodge and one from the shrine. We are so excited to have our brothers participating.

If you plan to attend the luncheon, please RSVP to our Secretary, Rick Tanner, at rktanner1@gmail.com or 702 370-4952.

Our Chapter's Installation of new Officers for 2024 - 2025 will be held on Sunday, May 19, 2024, at 1:00pm. We would love to see many of you in attendance to support our Masonic Family.

Our Chapter looks forward to continuing our good works along with our Masonic Brothers.

Fraternally,
Debbie Tanner, Worthy Matron
Dave Hattrick, Worthy Patron



Witnessing the collaboration of various Masonic organizations under one roof for the betterment of our community is truly inspiring. This is amazing!

Currently, the Shrine Club is hosting a Meat Raffle. Each ticket is priced at \$20, or you may purchase three tickets for \$50. The fortunate winner will receive a brand-new deep freezer stocked with premium meats, such as steak, pork, roasts, etc. Proceeds from the raffle will be allocated towards the repair costs of our well. The significance of maintaining our building's functionality and upkeep cannot be overstated, and your participation in the raffle is greatly appreciated. Raffle tickets are available for purchase from the bartender or any Shriner.

We encourage all organizations to participate in our monthly Foodie Friday event, held on the last Friday of each month from 5 pm to 9 pm. If your organization is interested in securing a booth or volunteering for the event, please reach out to Jon Connaughty (Shrine), Marcus Hensley (Masons), or Jennifer Wood (LOS).

Excitingly, we are actively expanding our Shrine Club membership, with four petitions for new Shriners currently in progress. We eagerly anticipate welcoming them into our fraternity.

The Mohave Shrine Club meets on the first Tuesday of each month. Fellowship begins at 5:00 pm, followed by the gavel at 6:30 pm. We look forward to your participation in our upcoming meetings and events.





Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America (LOS)

LOS: A Month of Giving Back

The Ladies Oriental Shrine (LOS) have been incredibly active this month, dedicating our time to various charitable activities. Every Wednesday, we put on our volunteering hats and serve as bartenders to earn tips, all in support of our Shriners community.

With our hard-earned tip money, we've embarked on our first project: purchasing special lights to illuminate the perimeter of our building, bringing more visibility to our location and our cause. Given the expense, we've divided the project into three phases, ensuring a steady and manageable progression towards our goal.

But our efforts don't stop there. We're also gearing up to tackle another important task: refurbishing the bathrooms. Soon, we'll be rolling up our sleeves to fix, clean, and paint these essential spaces, providing a much-needed update for all who visit.

In addition to our ongoing projects, we recently hosted our inaugural tea party, a delightful event aimed at fundraising for blankets for children at Shriners Children's Hospitals. The success of this event has left us energized and eager to expand our efforts, incorporating new ideas and involving more people in our mission. We hope you all will join us for our next one in August

As we continue our journey of service and compassion, we invite anyone interested in learning more about LOS and our initiatives to reach out to any member of our organization. Together, we're making a meaningful difference in our community, one project at a time.

Our club convenes on the last Tuesday of each month. All individuals interested in learning more about LOS and our activities are welcome to join us for fellowship starting at 5:30 pm. The meeting, commencing at 7 pm, is exclusively open to LOS members.



The Mohave Valley Lodge #68 grateful extends a hearty and heartfelt thank you to the Rad Stop Ride shop for their sponsorship of a bike for our Bikes for Books.



Update on Bike for Books

We started the Bikes for books program with a goal of providing bikes and helmets to 24 students. As of 5/2/2024, we have bought and assembled 24. Thank you for your support.

Currently, we are putting together a concert of June 1st.



Mohave York Rite Bodies

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King Solomon Chapter #22 RAM

High Priest

Agaman Council #12 CM

Illustrious Master

Mohave Commandery #13 KT

Eminent Commander

Mohave York Rite Bodies

Secretary/Recorder

William "Bill" Burrows 928-897-8442

Keith J McCormack 928-453-2310

Edward J Soroko 218-969-7061

Peter M Stronge 928-716-7618

The Mohave York Rite Bodies meet on the 3rd Tuesday at 7 PM, Kingman Lodge No. 22, 212 N Fourth Street, Kingman, AZ.

All York Rite members - both ours and visitors - are cordially invited. There are no dinners scheduled.

Need a ride....contact one of the above.

NOTICE - next meeting:

Tue, May 21: Agaman Council #12 CM (Purple).

All York Rite Masons: You are especially invited to our meetings!

Meetings are in-person at Kingman Lodge #22 F&AM - 212 N Fourth Street - Downtown Kingman, Arizona - 7:00 PM

Other meetings:

Thr, May 9: Ascension Day Observance

Sat, May 18: Kingman Lodge #22 Annual Outdoor Master Mason Degree

Tue, May 21: Agaman Council #12 CM (Purple)

Jun 7 & 8: Grand Lodge of Arizona Annual Communication

Tue, Jun 18: Agaman Council #12 CM (Purple)

Sat, Jul 13: Kingman Lodge #22 Annual Outdoor Picnic

Aug 8, 9 & 10: Grand York Rite Annual Communication

Oct 20, 21 & 22: Colorado River Fall Festival in Laughlin > our next conferrals

Ascension Day Observance:

On Thursday morning, May 9 at 8:00 AM, we will gather at Kingman Lodge #22 for our annual Knight Templar Ascension Day Observance. This is open to the public. Please invite your friends and family. The program should be about 20" followed by a breakfast at a local restaurant. The Observance will be conducted by Commander Edward Soroko. All Knight Templars are requested to wear their Class A uniforms with Chapeau.

INTERESTED IN JOINING THE YORK RITE?

Contact any one of the Officers for additional information.

Are you a member somewhere else...we can fix that! We want you!

Websites:

Arizona Grand York Rite:

www.azyr.org/

General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons:

www.ggcrami.org

General Grand Council Cryptic Masons:

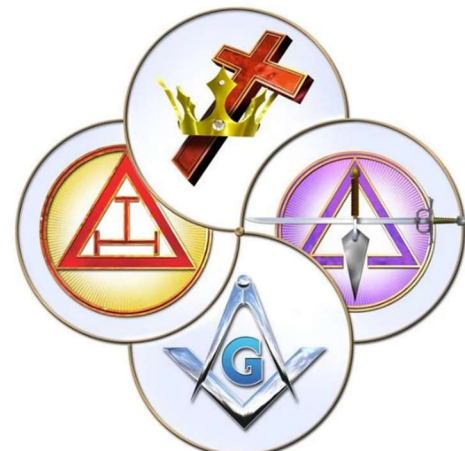
www.crypticmasons.org/

Grand Encampment Knights Templar:

knightstemplar.org

Colorado River Fall Festival:

crff.org





Grand Lodge of Arizona Free and Accepted Masons



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Date: November 9, 2023

To: Lodge Secretaries.

From: Very Worshipful Brother Greg Vasquez, Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Arizona.

Subject: Message from our Grand Master, MW George R. Rusk.

Dear Brother Secretaries,

Please read this message at your next Stated Meeting:

If you have specific interests or expertise in an area related to a committee or you would like to assist lodges or the Grand Lodge, go to the Grand Lodge Website <https://azmasons.org/>, click on the "Volunteer" button at the top of the page and enter your information.

Thank you for freely giving your time and labor for the benefit of the Craft.

Fraternally and sincerely,
George R. Rusk
Grand Master 2023-2024
The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of F&AM of Arizona

Fraternally,

Greg Vasquez, PGM
Grand Secretary
Grand Lodge of Arizona





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of Free and Accepted Masons of Arizona*



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Date: May 1, 2024

Subject: Parade of Lodge Banners

Brothers,

It would be nice to have a Parade of Lodge banners at the 2024 Annual Communication in Mesa. To show our pride in our lodge, of our fraternity and of who we are. Displaying our lodge banner is a way to show the solidarity and heritage of our fraternity.

Therefore, it is my will and pleasure that a Parade of Lodge Banners take place at the 142nd Annual Communication of The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Arizona.

All masons will show respect for these banners and there shall not be any “borrowing” or taking of any banner whatsoever, without serious consequences.

Lodge Officers,

Please make sure you bring with your banner, poles, holders and stands.

Fraternally,

George R. Rusk
Grand Master 2023-2024
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Date: 13 April 2024

Subject: Message from the Grand Master

Brothers,

This message is in response to any negative misrepresentative of our Honorable Fraternity or the misuse of our symbols.

As Freemasons we sometimes travel a rough and rugged road through society. Some view us with hate, some with curiosity and most with misunderstanding. It becomes our duty, therefore, to preserve the integrity of our honorable institution by our actions. If you are asked about Freemasonry in general or about a specific current event, remember that membership in our fraternity requires a solemn commitment to virtuous conduct and the pursuit of knowledge, and it is not conferred lightly or without due diligence. Anyone acting or displaying Masonic emblems in an un-masonic manner do not represent the ideals of our fraternity and we condemn any misuse of our emblems or misrepresentation of our fraternity for nefarious purposes.

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of F. & A.M. of Arizona remains steadfast in our dedication to the principles of Freemasonry as written in the Old Charges and will continue our mission to promote moral and intellectual growth among our members. We stand united in our rejection of any who would seek to tarnish the reputation of our fraternity.

Fraternally,

George R. Rusk
Grand Master 2023-2024
The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of F&AM of Arizona

SUNRISE #60 INVITES YOU TO DERBY DAY!



**Saturday, May 4, 2024
Time: 1:00pm to 4:00pm
Mohave Shrine Center
2580 Miracle Mile
Bullhead City, AZ**

Luncheon

\$12.00 Donation

**Croissant Chicken Salad Sandwich, Cole Slaw, Potato Chips,
Lemonade, Iced Tea & Alabama Sweet Bread Cake for
dessert.**

**Please RSVP to Debbie Tanner at
ricksdink@gmail.com or 702 378-5490**

Prizes!

**Contest for Best
Fancy Derby Hat so
wear your finest!**

**Bet on a horse race! Top
pick - Sunrise Chapter's
very own "3 Nags Loll"
The returning Grand
Champion "Punsanator"
will be defending his
Championship**

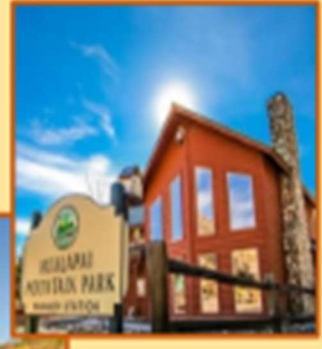
**Watch the actual
Kentucky Derby
together!**



**Come spend the
afternoon with us for
fun, fellowship, and
good times!!!**




Mohave County, Ariz. Freemasons Present .: THE 21st ANNUAL :. HUALAPAI MOUNTAIN OUTDOOR DEGREE



SATURDAY, May 18th, 2024



Particulars
Master Masons Only



Dues Card Required

08:30




Coffee and Donuts

10:00




Labor Begins

High Twelve



Grub

Registrate Yerself



~ Don't Dilly Dally Around ~

Contact W.B. Jed A Holley,
Party Line: (760) 559-2164
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Bring Folding Money

\$40.00 Donation
~ Includes a Hole Bunch of stuff ~
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Free Coffee and Donuts
Free Steak Dinner
Free YEAR Dangle for Bolo

Duds

This is Kingman! No need to get all gussied up. Boots and Jeans work. One of them fancy western shirts if ya like. Might be a chill of a morn so do bring ya a warm wrap. Hats are Invisible. **No Spurs!** We do got standards.

Take This Trail

Kingman City Limits: I-40 · Exit 51

Ride South on Stockton Hill Road bout two miles or so. Then yer gunna cross 'Root 66'. But don't stray off the trail, just keeper going straight. The dern name changes to Hualapai Mountain Road. Follow it a fair piece, oh 12 miles or so, to a big outfit, name of Hualapai Mountain Park - Ranger Station. **Pull Right!**

At the check in winda (no need to dismount) tell'em yer here for the Mason's Shindig (**Free Entry**). The'll poincha in the right direction.

Official Bolo Tie



Bolo \$18.

Working Tools



Masonic Education for Outdoor Degrees The Chuck Wagon was invented by Freemason Charles Goodnight in 1866. Bro. Col. Goodnight, a Texas Ranger and Cattleman, along with his partner and friend, Bro. Oliver Loving, a rancher, rounded up stray cattle from all over Texas and herded the Doggies to Bro. John Chisum's Spread near Fort Sumner in the New Mexico Territory. This would become known as the Goodnight-Loving Trail. He needed a conveyance for their Grub along the trail and the Chuck Wagon was born. The Brothers were members of Phoenix Lodge No. 275 in Weatherford, Texas, and are portrayed in the book and talking picture show **Lonesome Dove**.



Notes from the Editor:

Brethren,

If anyone has any content to share for the next Trestleboard, please submit it to mohavevalley68rsvp@gmail.com. This can be short stories, Masonic Humor, Masonic Trivia or any other items shared for the good of Masonry in general or this Lodge in particular.

Well done on earning our Master Builder award last Masonic year. This year we have our sight set on the:

Master Architect Award

A. Ritual Component

1. A minimum of 3 members provide 3 different lectures in a tyled lodge, (Lectures are EA, Staircase, MM).
2. A member of the Lodge must be able to give the Apron Presentation, 'G' Lecture, King Solomon part, and Hiram, King of Tyre.
3. Lodge must exemplify all 3 Degrees during the awards year with a minimum of 6 parts performed by lodge officers.

B. Masonic Education Component

1. A minimum of 3 masonic education programs are held by the lodge (other than at a Stated Meeting, may be at lodge or virtual).
2. Lodge must have a masonic education presentation before, during, or after a minimum of 6 Stated meetings.

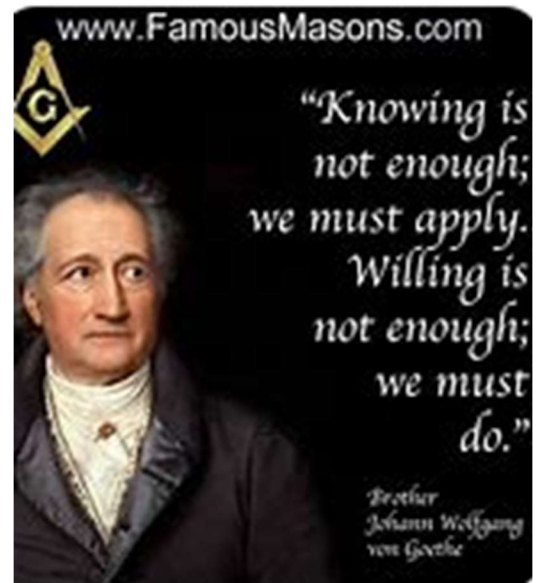
C. Lodge Operations Component

1. Lodge hosts a tyled meeting with another Masonic Lodge.
2. Lodge issues a newsletter a minimum of 8 times during the year with submission to Grand Lodge for Trestleboard recognition.
3. Lodge must have a website that is updated monthly with submission to the Grand Lodge for recognition.
4. Lodge hosts an informational session open to the general public.
5. Lodge has a program to contact non-attending members and members in jeopardy of Suspension for NPD.

6. Lodge shows an annual increase in Membership of at least 1 Master Mason
7. Lodge has a Masonic Funeral Team (WM, SW, JW, Chap) and conducts a minimum of 1 practice or funeral ceremony.
8. Lodge has a Long Range Planning committee that meets a minimum of once every 3 months. The committee must have established goals and objectives.
9. Lodge has a membership recognition program (Mason of the Year, with lodge winners submitted to Grand Lodge for statewide recognition).

D. Lodge Representation Component

1. At least 2 Lodge Officers attend the Grand Lodge Education Conference (Masonicon Arizona).
2. At least 3 members of the Lodge attend the 2024 Grand Lodge Communication (2 must be the WM, SW, and/or JW).
3. At least 4 members of the lodge attend a meeting of a Masonic Youth Group (where possible) or an Eastern Star or Amaranth open event (2 must be the WM, SW, and/or JW).
4. Lodge must be active in a recognized Local community activity.
5. Lodge attends a minimum of 2 other Masonic Lodge's meetings (stated or called) with a minimum of 6 members attending (2 must be the WM, SW, and/or JW).
6. Lodge has a program for Bikes for Books, CHIPS, Public Schools Essay contest, recognition of community organizations and or individuals First responders, schools and teachers.
7. Lodge must host a fund-raising activity for a Masonic Youth Group (or a recognized local youth group if there is no local Masonic Youth Group in the community). This cannot be substituted for the local activity noted above.
8. A minimum of 4 Master Masons (2 are non-Lodge Officers) attend a Lodge of Instruction (LOI) conducted by/under the auspices of the Grand Lecturer.



What's Happening

MIRACLE MILE EVENT CENTER PRESENTS

FOODIE FRIDAY



LAST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH
5-9PM

FOOD TRUCKS | VENDORS

ENTERTAINMENT

CORNHOLE
BEER PONG TOURNAMENT
SPORTS | MOVIES | MUSIC

BUNCO MONDAYS

MIRACLE MILE EVENT CENTER

Join us every Monday for BUNCO! We've got fun prizes, food, drinks, and good times!

MIRACLE MILE EVENT CENTER | REGISTRATION OPEN AT: 5:30PM
2580 MIRACLE MILE, BULLHEAD CITY | GAME START AT: 06:30PM

MIRACLE MILE EVENT CENTER
At The Mohave Shrine Club

Mohave Valley Lodge Gun Raffle

April 1 – December 2

Tickets are \$20 Each or 3 for \$50

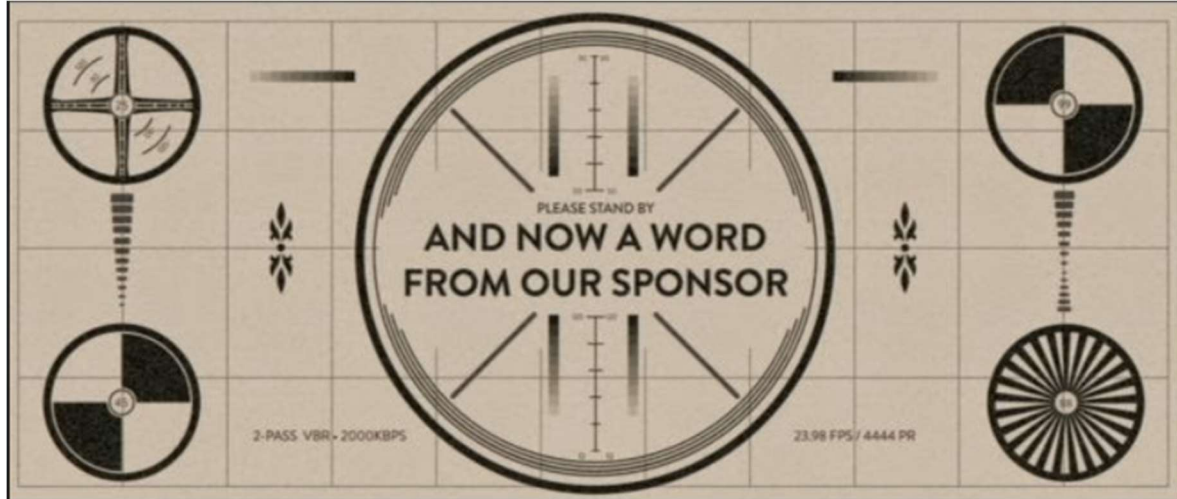
Prizes

3 Radical Firearms RF-15 223/556

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- Please contact Marcus Hensley or Jon Connaughty to place your ad.
- Note the year is from January to December
- All ads expire each December.

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