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# The TRESTLEBOARD

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Latest news and bulletin updates

### From the East

February was another active month in our Lodge. We performed all three degrees that can be conferred in a Blue Lodge and also made a visit to another lodge.

Very well done to everyone that participated and attended to show their support for the candidates, this Lodge and Masonry in general. Congratulations to Matt Kelly on being raised a MM and Robert Hazelgrove and John Kearns on being passed to FC.

March will be another great month in our Lodge and we need each of you here to participate. If you haven't made it to Lodge recently please come back and see us. We miss you and really enjoy having all of our members present. If I can help in any please let me know.

Fraternally,

Marcus Hensley





### **From the West**

Charles Smith, Senior Warden Mohave Valley #68

Another month down and our lodge is seeing its most production making mason ever. Mohave Valley 68 has made more Masons in three months than any other year that I have been a member of the lodge.

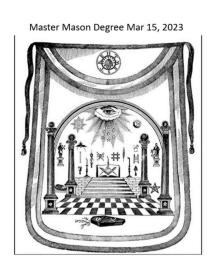
We have also seen brothers step up and get out of their comfortability and try a different position which makes me proud to see these accomplishments.

Our website is up and running and this will bring in more brothers to lodge and after our official visit to Lake Havasu's lodge we are one step closer to getting that award that we all have worked so hard on getting. Building on this we will have a great succession so this lodge will see many years of prosperity. I look forward to seeing more great work from everyone.









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### From the South Rob Stewart, Junior Warden

Allow me to begin with a big "Thank You" to everyone who has helped us over the past few months. It's wonderful seeing old faces, as well as new. We have been extremely busy with all the degrees, and practices, that have been done lately, and I say that in a good way. From our newest MM, sitting in a chair when we performed ritual for a couple Brothers, to our long time Brothers who continue to be a valued part of the Craft.

We have another busy month ahead, with degrees and events. It my hope that more Brothers can join in whenever possible, we can always use the assistance.

"Knowing is not enough; We must apply. Willing is not enough; We must do." ~Brother Wolfgang von Goethe



#### Masonic Anniversaries:

Joey Merrigan March 9 - 12 Years Robert Goble March 12 - 15 Years Don Rice March 20 - 62 Years Michael Partipilo - March 22 - 5 Years Robert Stewart March 25 - 8 Years Wendel Saye March 26 - 15 Years

#### Happy Birthday to the Following Brothers

Ed Soroko March 5

Chuck Phemister March 6

Daniel Reynolds March 9

Marcus Hensley March 11

Lawrence Mullins March 12

Robert Krause March 13

Charles Smith March 19

James Rexroad 21

Ishmill Lett March 23

David Lipinski March 25

Edward Wessler March 27

#### From the Desk of the Secretary

Jon Connaughty, Secretary's Report as of January 1, 2023:

Mohave Valley Lodge has 100 members.

The Lodge has 1 Entered Apprentices, 5 Fellowcrafts and 1 prospective member. That totals 7 new members in the "works"! This totals a potential membership of 107.

The upcoming meetings are:

March 1 - 7:00 PM - Stated Meeting

March 8 - 6:00 PM - Master Mason Practice

March 15 - 6:00 PM - Master Mason Degree

Mar 22 - 6:00 PM - Lodge Roundtable

March 25, 2023 - 10:00 AM Visit to Kingman #22

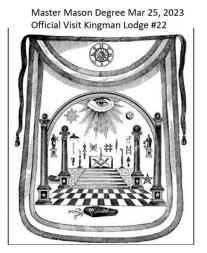
\*\*Subject to Change - Please consult Email

Announcements and Lodge Facebook Page for Current Information













Greetings Sisters and Brothers, Hoping you all had a wonderful Valentine's Day and a great President's Day weekend. My Worthy Patron, Brother Bob Bradfield and myself are dedicating our term to "God Bless America". Celebrating our American History and Presidents, who were masterful in their positions for creation of our Liberty and Freedoms are of the utmost importance to each of us. Because of these Freedoms we are able to participate in, and with our Masonic Family!! God Bless America!!

We are certainly looking forward to the Lodge being a full house as we host the Official Visit of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron of Arizona, Friday March 3. Beginning with a sandwich, salad and fruit dinner by donation at 5:30. We have many RSVPs and OES friends from Nevada joining us! Our theme is "South Pacific" The Musical, as the WGM is celebrating all things theater!!. It will be fun to decorate the dining room and recall the Musical with song and verse!

March 14, will be our next stated meeting, Bring your own supper at 6pm in the dining room for Fellowship, meeting at 7pm. Celebrating St. Patrick's Day, or at our house it has always been St. Hattrick's Day. Members will be wearing the green! We are pleased to have had so many inquiries about Eastern Star and how to join. The wives, daughters, mothers, widows and sisters of Master Masons are welcome. Membership also expands into extended family of Master Masons. Just ask and we can get you a petition. We are in the process of having read several Petitions for Affiliation, and Petitions for the Degrees and are looking forward to a special meeting, called for 6pm on Wednesday March 29th, for the Ceremony of Initiation to welcome at least 5 and possibly 6 new members. We have had many already affiliate and are putting them to work right away!!

We will have our bi-annual trash pick up, gathering at the Shrine on Saturday April 1st at 9am to sign the waiver, get your vest and and head to our area as a group. We will then enjoy no-host breakfast at Perkins after our work is done. Always such a good feeling to do something for our Community and come together in fellowship for work and fun!!

Please add to your Calendar Annual Derby Day FUNraiser, Saturday May 6, at the Shrine for a wonderful luncheon, games, Derby Hat Contest, our own Horse Race, silent auction, drinks in the Fez room from a real Kentucky Derby collectible glass, AND watch the Running of the Roses on TV together!

We continue to work on our projects, Bullhead City Meals on Wheels, The Legacy Project and Kindergarten Roundup. Stay tuned for a time to stuff bags with school items for the children of our Community!

We are also excited, to have on our Calendar the Lodge clean up, Saturday April 29, 9-11am and a BBQ meal and fellowship to follow. We have 15 who have volunteered to attend! Thank you Brothers of Mohave Lodge and the BHC Shrine Club for the invitation to assist!! We are ready to go to work.

We are hopeful that spring will soon arrive and the SNOW, BLOWING WIND CHILL, and winter will be gone. Wishing you all well, in each endeavor for Masonic Family and the good our Fraternity does! Star Hugs, Sincerely and Fraternally,

Linda Hattrick, Worthy Matron

Bob Bradfield, Worthy Patron.

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Welcome to the month of March, my fellow Shrine Club members!

We have a lot to look forward to this month, including our upcoming St. Patrick's Day Foodie Truck Fest. This event promises to be a day filled with delicious food, live entertainment, and the opportunity to come together as a community to support a cause that is dear to our hearts.

But that's not all! We had great success with our recent Date Night and Live Band event, and we are already planning more events like this in the future. We want to remind all our members that this club and building is built on participation, and we would love to see members from The Blue Lodge, Eastern Star, and the Shrine Club take the opportunity to come down and experience the great events we are having.

As a Shrine Club, we are committed to making a difference in the world through our Children's Hospitals, and we believe that brotherhood and community are the keys to achieving that goal. So let's come together in the spirit of camaraderie, support our community, and make a positive impact on the world.



Thank you, and we look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events.

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Mohave York Rite Bodies Secretary/Recorder

Peter M Stronge

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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:

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

Sat, Mar 19: Grand York Rite Mid-Year / Sun City.

Tue, Mar 21: King Solomon Chapter #22 RAM Stated Convocation (Red).

Sat, Apr 8: Maundy Thursday / Easter Sunday Observance (open to the public).

Tue, Apr 18: King Solomon Chapter #22 RAM Stated Convocation (Red). This will also be the annual Election

of Officers.

Tue May 16: Agaman Council #12 CM Stated Assembly (Purple).

#### Maundy Thursday / Easter Sunday Observance:

Mohave Commandery #13 KT (York Rite) and Northern Arizona Lodge of Perfection (Scottish Rite) are pleased to announce the annual Maundy Thursday / Easter Sunday Observance is being again held after a 2 year hold account of the pandemic.

This will be held on Saturday, April 8 in the afternoon at Kingman Lodge #22 in Kingman, time to be announced. This is open to the public and you are invited to bring family and friends.

Pastor Andrew Deveraux of the Kingman United Methodist Church will give a short talk.

Most details are to be announced, however there will be a traditional Lamb (not mutton) dinner cooked by Don Van Brunt.

We can only accommodate 40 at the dinner - so get your reservations in now by contacting any Officer.

#### Other Upcoming Events:

Sat, Mar 19: Grand York Rite Mid-Year / Sun City

Sat, Apr 1: Commandery Orders / Phoenix

Sat, Apr 8 Commandery Easter Observance / TBA Sat, Apr 29: Ish Sodi - Super Excellent Master / TBA

Sun/Mon/Tue Oct 22-24: Colorado River Fall Festival / Laughlin

#### Websites:

Arizona Grand York Rite:

General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons:

General Grand Council Cryptic Masons:

Grand Encampment Knights Templar:

Coloredo Pivor Foll Fostival:

www.azyr.org/
www.gcrami.org
www.crypticmasons.org/

Colorado River Fall Festival: <u>crff.org</u>

#### 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.

As mentioned at the November stated meeting our goal is to achieve a Master Builder Award for our Lodge. Below are the requirements so that we can all work towards this goal. If you have ideas how we can meet any of these please bring them up to the Master of our Lodge. This Award submission must be in the hands of the Grand Lodge no later than April 15th, 2023.

#### Ritual:

A minimum of 3 members provide at least 2 different lectures in a Tyled Lodge and the Lodge must exemplify all 3 degrees during the awards year.



#### Masonic Education:

A minimum of 3 masonic education programs held by the Lodge at an event other than the stated meeting (Can be virtual or in person)

**Lodge Operations:** (4 of 7 must be completed)

Lodge hosts a Tyled meeting with another Lodge

Lodge issues a newsletter a minimum of 4 times during the year

Lodge hosts an information session open to the public

Lodge has a program to contact non-attending members of members in jeopardy of NPD

Lodge shows an annual increase of Grand View Portal users by 5%

Lodge has a Masonic Funeral Team and conducts 1 practice or ceremony

Lodge has a member recognition program

4 Master Masons attend a Lodge of Instruction (Scheduled for 12/14)

**Lodge Representation:** (4 of 6 must be completed)

At least 2 Lodge officers attend Masonicon Arizona

At least 3 members attend the 2023 Grand Communications (2 Pedestal Officers)

At least 4 members attend a Masonic Youth Group or Eastern Star or Amaranth open event (2 pedestal)

Lodge participates and is recognized in local community activity

5 Lodge members visit another Lodge's tyled meeting (stated or degree) (2 pedestal)



We are all Masons first.

14 US President's are Freemasons:

George Washington

**James Monroe** 

Andrew Jackson

James Polk

James Buchanan

Andrew Johnson

James Garfield

William McKinley

Theodore Roosevelt

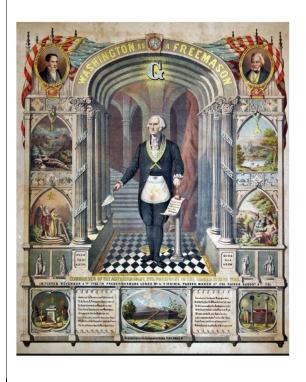
William Taft

Warren Harding

Franklin Roosevelt

Harry Truman

Gerald Ford





### MOHAVE VALLEY LODGE GUN RAFFLE

FIRST PLACE: CUSTOM BUILT AR-15

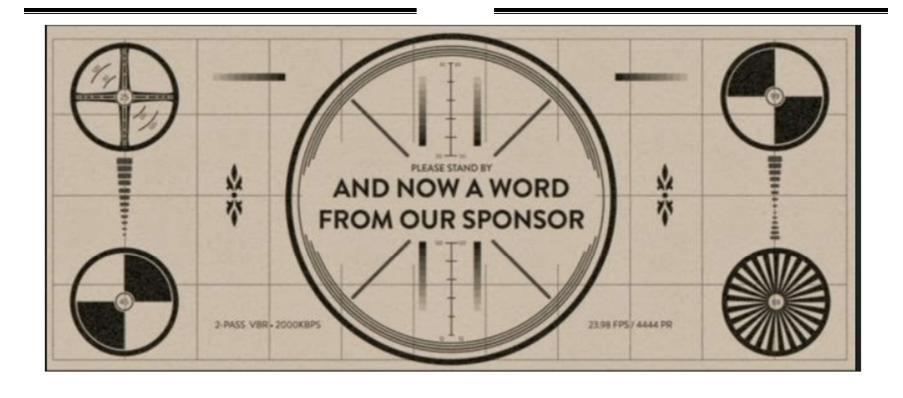
SECOND PLACE: SMITH & WESSON 380 EZ

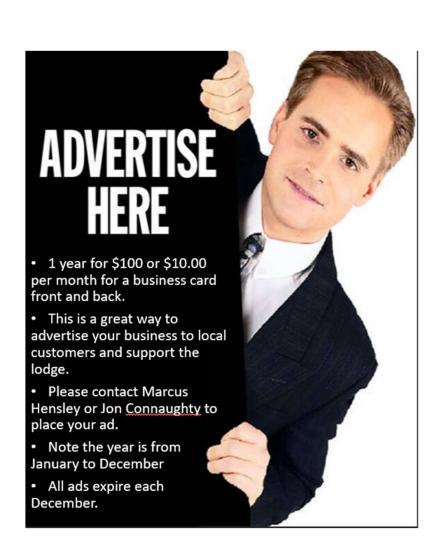
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