Tatact news and bulletin updates

From the East

Brethren, Friends, and Family, Welcome back to the business of the Lodge. I hope everyone had an enjoyable summer wherever your travels may have taken you. There have been some brothers that have been quite diligent in doing fundraising activities over the summer. Come on out to the stated meeting to hear the results. We will have a full agenda to conduct all our business and discuss our fall plans for the Lodge. Hope to see everyone there.

In our Masonic travels over the summer several of us enjoyed a Military degree at Kingman, a Lodge 50-year re-dedication at Sy Harrison, several other degrees at Kingman and Havasu, 2 Lodges of instruction, attendance at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Arizona, and most importantly 10 brothers travelled to Pasadena California to support the 50 year anniversary of our Worshipful Brother Dave. A great presentation was put on by Pasadena Lodge and we enjoyed a tour of their beautiful home as well.

I want to say well done to the Shrine club and Eastern Star chapter in their summer endeavors as well and I look forward to continuing to build on our masonic family.

We have some new officers to appoint, some new committees to appoint, some current committees to listen to reports from, our financial status report, balloting on petitions, reading of new petitions, and some Grand Lodge communications.

I am sure that everyone knows about the tragic fire that tore through Maui and destroyed the town of Lahaina. In this edition of the Trestleboard is further information on how you can assist if you choose to do so through the Grand Lodge of Hawaii. Also, there is information on the relocation of our Grand Lodge office, and the Grand Master's support education edict. Hope everyone enjoys our back to business edition of the Trestleboard. All previous editions can be found on the Lodge Website which is Mohavevalleymasons.com.Marcus Hensley





From the West

Charles Smith, Senior Warden Mohave Valley #68

Welcome back brothers, I hope everyone had a safe time away. I am looking forward to seeing

you all again and hearing about your travels. It was nice that we stayed active during the break, it is

always nice to keep our skills in tune. Let's see what the last part of the year brings, we have people in

line to join our wonderful fraternity and I look forward to having them join. Seeing fresh faces and

motivated men wanting to join our lodge makes me proud to be a member here to see how far we have come.





Entered Apprentice Degree Sep 13, 2023 6:00 PM



From the South Rob Stewart, Junior Warden

Welcome Back!!!! I'm looking forward to this next 10 months of business with everyone. We have been truly blessed over the past couple months. Even though the blue lodge has been dark, we haven't stopped. I want to express a personal "Thank you" to the Shrine and Eastern Star for all the help with recent events.

I want to take this opportunity to ask for assistance wherever possible. We are starting a school supply drive. Anyone who can is encouraged to bring new, unopened school supplies to us at our lodge. These will be distributed to local schools in our area. If you bring donations to our Bunco game on Mondays, you will receive an extra 50/50 ticket for each item to go along with the tickets you purchase. 6 items=6 extra tickets. More chances to win!!!!

Thank you all.

Robert Stewart.



From the Desk of the Secretary From the Desk of the Secretary

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

Mohave Valley Lodge has 105 members.

Presently the Lodge has 1 petitioner, 4 prospects, and 3 Fellowcrafts. That totals 8 new members in the "works"!

The upcoming meetings are:

September 6 – 7:00 PM – Stated Meeting

September 13 – 6:00 PM – Entered Apprentice Degree

September 20 – 6:00 PM – Lodge Round Table Discussion

September 27 – 6:00 PM– Fellowcraft Degree Practice

Every Monday Bunco fundraiser starting at 5:30 PM

**Subject to Change – Please consult Lodge Website, Email Announcements and Lodge Facebook Page for Current Information



Happy Birthday
Rob Stewart 9/1
Scot Wheeler 9/1
Michael Manusia 9/7
Jon Connaughty 9/8
George Starr 9/11
Josh Bussdieker 9/12
Charles Dowler 9/12
Michael Lueck 9/18
Alfred Abramian 9/20
Gianni Chiero 9/21
Dave Doermann 9/25
Thomas Clark 9/29

Happy Masonic Birthday
Seamus Steele 9/5 3 Years
Frank Montenegro 9/5 3 Years
Howard Martin 9/5 3 Years
Robert Richardson 9/16 36 Years
Jack Small 9/20 6 Years
Charles Tabor 9/20 53 Years
Casey Case 9/22 13 Years
Lawrence Phemister 9/22 13 Years
Laurence Sheetz 9/22 41 Years
Greg Perrin 9/23 24 Years
Kevin Richins 9/26 11 Years







Lodge Round Table September 20, 2023





Sunrise Chapter #60 extends our greetings to all of you! It has been a very busy summer for us even though our Chapter was dark for the months of July and August. Some of the events we have had since our meeting in June include the following.

- We were honored to have presented a 50-year pin to our member, Sister Helga Westfall at our June 13th meeting. She was proud of her accomplishments over the years.
- We worked with our brothers at the weekly Bunco nights. We are so happy that we have this opportunity to work together as a Masonic Family. It has been fun getting to know each other and look forward to continuing this event.
- On July 11th we had our summer potluck and budget meeting. We were pleased to have a representative from our Bullhead City Meals on Wheels program, to accept a \$5,000.00 check issued by the Arizona Eastern Star Foundation. We have supported this worthwhile cause for many years and were very excited to make this contribution.
- Arizona Grand Chapter met August 1st through the 5 th in Scottsdale. We were pleased to host our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Glenda Winchester, for her Official Visit to Arizona. We were also very proud to attend a Halloween themed reception for our very own Sister Billie Bradfield, Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron.

We are excited to begin our meetings again after our summer break. Our next meeting is September 12, 2023, at 7:00pm with a potato bar prior to the meeting for a donation of your choice, so please feel free to join us for some great social time. We would love to have guests attend and look forward to the fellowship with our Masonic Brothers.

Our meetings are the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm and beginning October 10 th and each meeting after, we will be having our "bring your own dinner." Please feel free to join us. We will furnish dessert.

We thank the members of Mohave Valley #68 for the opportunity to share our news and to work together in strengthening our Masonic



family! If there is anything that you need our assistance with, please do not hesitate to let us know!

Looking forward to a fun and productive year!
Fraternally,
Debbie Tanner, Worthy Matron
Dave Hattrick, Worthy Patron
Rick Tanner, Secretary





Future Shriner (on September 16) Charles was raised as a Master Mason by his Grandfather, Charles



Latest news and bulletin updates

Mohave York Rite Bodies
PO Box 3742
Kingman, AZ 86402-3742
MYRB1989@gmail.com
928-716-7618 - Leave a message

King Solomon Chapter #22 RAM

High Priest William "Bill" Burrows 928-897-8442

Agaman Council #12 CM

Illustrious Master Keith J McCormack 928-453-2310

Mohave Commandery #13 KT

Eminent Commander Edward J Soroko 218-969-7061

Mohave York Rite Bodies

Secretary/Recorder 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.

INTERESTED IN JOINING THE YORK RITE?

Contact any one of the Officers for additional information.

We will be conferring the Degrees and Orders at the Colorado River Fall Festival in October.

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

NOTICE:

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

Tue Sep 19: Mohave Commandery #13 KT Stated Conclave (Class A uniform or Dark).

Tue Oct 17: Mohave Commandery #13 KT Stated Conclave (Class A uniform or Dark).

Other Upcoming Events:

Sat, Oct 7: 4 Corners Royal Arch Festival / Farmington, NM

Sun/Mon/Tue Oct 22-24:

Colorado River Fall Festival / Laughlin. Registration at: **crff.org**

Websites:

Arizona Grand York Rite:

General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons:

General Grand Council Cryptic Masons:

Grand Encampment Knights Templar:

Colorado River Fall Festival:

www.azyr.org/

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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

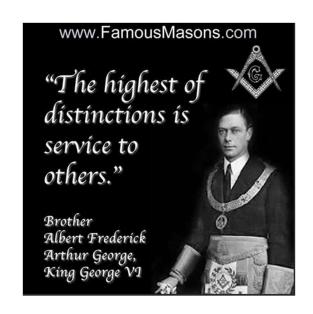
- 1. Lodge hosts a tyled meeting with another Masonic Lodge.
- 2. Lodge issues a newsletter a minimum of 8 times during the year with submission to Grand Lodge for Trestleboard recognition.
- 3. Lodge must have a website that is updated monthly with submission to the Grand Lodge for recognition.
- 4.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

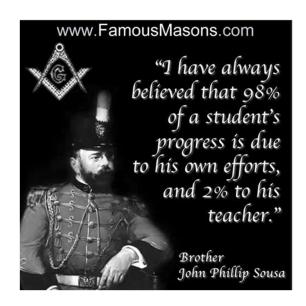
- 6. Lodge shows an annual increase of GrandView portal users by 5%.
- 7. Lodge has a Masonic Funeral Team (WM, SW, JW, Chap) and conducts a minimum of 1 practice or funeral ceremony.
- 8. Lodge has a Long-Range Planning committee that meets a minimum of once every 3 months. The committee must have established goals and objectives.
- 9. Lodge has a membership recognition program (Mason of the Year, with lodge winners submitted to Grand Lodge for statewide recognition).

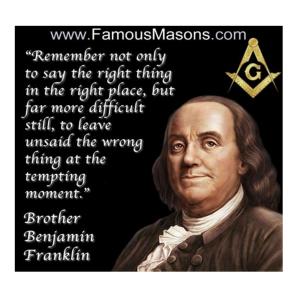
D. Lodge Representation Component

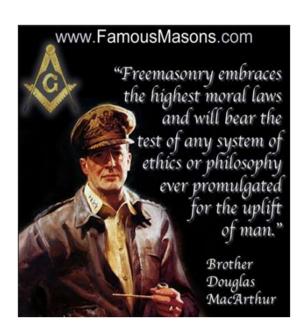
- 1. At least 2 Lodge Officers attend the Grand Lodge Education Conference (Masonicon Arizona).
- 2. At least 3 members of the Lodge attend the 2023 Grand Lodge Communication (2 must be the WM, SW, and/or JW).
- 3. At least 4 members of the lodge attend a meeting of a Masonic Youth Group (where possible) 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.

















George R. Rusk Grand Master 2023-2024 PO Box 2059 Gilbert, AZ 85299-2059 PHONE(O) (602) 252-1924 (C) (480) 646-2520 Email – gm@azmasons.org

August 16, 2023

To: All Constituent Lodges, Grand Lodges Officers, DDGM's and DDGL's

From: George R. Rusk, Grand Master

Subject: Edict No. 2023-01 National Education Week 2023

Brethren,

The following Edict No. 2023-01 is to be read at the next Stated meeting of every Constituent Lodge in Arizona.

Edict No. 2023-01

All Lodges and Masons under the jurisdiction of The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of F & AM of Arizona shall observe the spirit of National Education Week (November 13-17, 2023) by participating in and/or supporting special activities which recognize the Public Schools of Arizona during the month of November 2023.

Issued under my signature this 16th day of August 2023.

Fraternally,

George R. Rusk

Grand Master 2023-2024

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of F&AM of Arizona



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August 11, 2023

GRAND SECRETARY ARIZONA

Hawaii Wild Fire Disaster Relief Appeal

Last night, our beloved island of Maui was touched by the destructive forces of fires that swept through the community, leaving devastation in their wake. As Brothers of the Craft, let us remember that adversity only strengthens our bonds. Let us also use this moment to reflect on the fragility of life and the importance of being prepared, not just physically, but also in terms of the support systems we offer to one another.

Grand Master Dustin T. Verity has requested the Masonic Service Association of North America (MSA) to issue this Disaster Relief Appeal.

Please forward any donations you feel appropriate to help our devastated Brothers and their families in this stricken jurisdiction to MSA.

Please make checks payable to MSA Disaster Relief Appeal and send to:

Masonic Service Association 813 1st Avenue SE, Suite 357 Cedar Rapids, IA 52402

When remitting by check, please clearly mark that you wish the funds to go to the (Maui Wild Fires, Hawaii Disaster Relief Appeal.)

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Craig L. Davis

Craig L. Davis PGM Administrator

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Attachments

(Click the link below to download or copy and paste the link into your browser)

MSA Hawaii Wild Fire Relief Appeal (pdf) < https://az.grandview.systems/s3/5240?token=cb71aac9-7f1e-4d55-ba64-0e63decb8250 >



Grand Lodge of Arizona Free and Accepted Masons



Phone: (480) 639-7723 (c)

E-Mail: azgnd_sec@azmasons.org

Greg Vasquez, PGM Grand Secretary P. O. Box 2059 Gilbert, AZ 85299-2059

Date: August 22, 2023

To: Lodge Secretaries.

Brethren,

The Grand Lodge Offices are moving from their current location, 725 W. Elliot Rd., #111, Gilbert, AZ, 85233, to a building located catty-corner from the current address, 890 W. Elliot Rd., Suite 102, Gilbert, AZ 85233. This move will not affect the mailing address which remains as PO Box 2059, Gilbert, AZ 85299-2059.

This move should begin on August 30, 2023, and hopefully we will be up and running just after the holiday.

Please read this notice in lodge and provide it to your members as needed.

Fraternally,

Greg Vasquez, PGM Grand Secretary Grand Lodge of Arizona





Mohave Valley 68 Master installed as DDGM District 1 at Grand Lodge $\,$



Sunrise 60 member Billie Bradfield being escorted and introduced at Grand Lodge





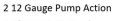






Mohave Valley Lodge Gun Raffle

June 7 – December 2 Tickets are \$20 Each or 3 for \$50 **Prizes**



1 S&W 380 EZ Handgun

See any Mohave Valley Lodge Member to Purchase Tickets Proceeds benefit Mohave Valley 68







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