

# Trestle Board

## LATEST NEWS AND BULLETIN UPDATES

### From the East

We are continuing to make a difference in our community. I have been getting reports from Meals on Wheels on a regular basis. With the help of our patrons at bunco, and OES, they have been able to constantly add people onto their service. It fills me with great pride to hear that those in need are getting the help. Thank you everyone!

Bikes for books presentations are this month. The bikes have been ordered, and I am awaiting the phone call that they are ready for pickup. Once we receive them, we will be scheduling an "assembly party". Those of you that were able to help with this last year remember the fun and fellowship had by all.

We do have a Master Mason degree scheduled for the end of the month. If you are part of this particular degree team, or an officer, please try your best to make it to practice. We are holding practice on Wednesday April 30, May 14, and May 21. All practices will begin at 6pm.

Robert Stewart  
Worshipful Master



Stated Meeting  
May 7, 2025  
Dinner @ 6PM  
Gavel @ 7PM

June Stated Meeting  
Jun 4, 2025  
Dinner @ 6PM  
Gavel @ 7PM

Food Truck &  
Gun Raffle  
May 9, 2025

### Fund Raising

We have many fund raisers and events coming up over the next couple months. Our gun raffle will be starting shortly. This will be our primary Blue Lodge fund raiser for Blue Lodge.

# From the West

We saw another great month for the Mohave Masonic family. OES held their official visit which was a great success and lots of fun. We presented lots of funding to help Bullhead City Meals on Wheels. We will continue to work on that but in the coming month we will focus on our bikes for books presentation. This is a whole lodge effort so please come help assemble bikes, help to transport the bikes to our schools, and try your best to make it to the presentations. It is a whole lot of fun to see the kids receive their bikes and shows how much we care about this community.

Our food truck event is approaching quickly and with it our raffle will be drawn. Please continue to sell tickets and turn them in to me so that we can get the money on the books. This is our main fundraiser at this time to continue to do the work that we choose to do. Bunco continues to go well however my travel schedule is picking up and Rob's coaching schedule is as well. We need some new folks to step up and take some of these events to help us out.

Grand Lodge registration is open. I recommend attending to anyone who wants to see Masonry at the state level and also to meet Masons from all over the state as well as the many visitors that come from all over the country and Mexico.

Our degrees have been a little bit slower recently. If you are working through degrees please reach out for assistance in getting your proficiency down. If you are a Master Mason please assist our brothers working on their proficiency.

Thank you for all that you are doing for Masonry.

Marcus Hensley

Senior Warden

## Southern Skies

My Brothers,

We have been having some great practices on the 2nd and 3rd degrees and have come along way .

A big thanks to all the officers for coming and doing so well in their work

We have a lot going on this month and will be doing a 3rd degree at the end of the month please continue to work on the craft so we can bring our newer brothers through their masonic journey

Fraternally yours

Howard Martin

Jr. Warden





## From the Desk of Chuck Probst

### Secretary's Report - May 1, 2025

94 Master Mason

5 Fellowcraft

3 Entered Apprentice

5 Prospects

### Calendar Listing:

5/3 OES Kentucky Derby!

5/7 Stated Meeting

5/9 Food Truck & GUN RAFFLE!!!!

5/17 Hualapai Outdoor Degree

Every Monday BUNCO

Every Thursday 3 Ball & Trivia

Please pay your dues!



### ANNIVERSARIES

Chuck Probst 5/8 12 years

G. Hans Krahll 5/12 7 years

Darryl McKellips 5/22 28 years

Thomas Fred Thate 5/22 28 years

Steven Eugene Helm 5/23 24 years

Clint Stevens, PM 5/24 19 years

Richard Keith Tanner 5/24 29 years

Mark Lueck 5/27 19 years

### BIRTHDAYS

Morgan Fain 5/3

Michael Partipilo 5/3

Ernesto Coloma Balba, PM 5/8

Mark Lueck 5/18

Ray Perez 5/21

Darryll McKellips 5/22

Ricky Allen Christopherson 5/27





Hello Everyone,  
Spring is in full swing,  
and the weather is  
wonderful. The  
members of Sunrise  
Chapter will gathered  
on Saturday, April 26th  
to complete our bi-  
annual community  
trash clean-up. We  
have two areas in  
Bullhead City that we  
help clean and  
maintain and always  
have a fun time seeing  
who will find the most  
unusual and funniest  
items. Afterwards we  
had brunch and  
fellowship at Vitos.

Our Derby Day is coming up on  
Saturday, May 3rd from 1pm to  
4pm. Everyone is welcome. We  
will have a wonderful chicken  
salad croissant sandwich, cole  
slaw, chips, lemonade & iced  
tea, along with Alabama sweet  
bread cake for dessert, all for a  
\$12.00 donation. The FEZ Room  
will be open for libations. There  
will be a fancy hat contest,  
basket drawings and of course  
our own version of the Race for  
the Roses. Once again Sister  
Bille and Brother Mike have  
donated the official Kentucky  
Derby souvenir glasses (I know  
several of us have quite a  
collection from over the years)  
We will round out the day  
watching the actual Kentucky  
Derby. This is a fun day and  
everyone is welcome. Thank  
you Debbie and Rick Tanner for  
Chairing this event. You both  
always make it wonderful!





To get ready for the Derby, LOS (aka Ladies of Mohave) are hosting a crafting party on Saturday, 04/26/25 at 1pm at the lodge. We will gather to create beautiful and fun hats for Derby Day. Bring your hats and any decorations for yourself and to share. We will have a great time getting to know our fellow masonic family members. Come out for some fun and fellowship. Thank you to LOS for reaching out with this invitation.

May brings election and installation of officers for Sunrise Chapter. We will say farewell to the 2024/2025 corps of officers and look forward to the plans and happenings of a new Eastern Star term. Our annual installation of officers will be Saturday, May 31st at 3pm. Please join us to support our new leadership and officers.

If you have any questions regarding the upcoming events for Sunrise Chapter, feel free to give me a call.

Fraternally,  
Tori Loll, Worthy Matron  
702-202-7512

**THE MEMBERS OF SUNRISE WISH YOU A SAFE AND FUN SPRING!**









# From the Quarry



by: Garrett Prado

## Choosing Compassion Over Judgement

Hello and God bless to all my Masonic family. The Quarry was canceled this month due to LOS installation. I would like to congratulate all our LOS members who are being raised to positions of responsibility and wish them all the best of luck in their endeavors. I decided to write something a little different this month, but the theme is simple, compassion. I hope you enjoy reading and I look forward to your feedback.



Isaiah 49:10

**They will neither be hungry nor thirst, nor will the desert heat or the sun beat down on them. He who has compassion for them will guide them and lead them beside springs of cool water.**

This verse, as I read it, seems to scream out to my city of Bullhead Arizona. As a Christian minister, I have engaged with the homeless and struggling families here in the community and while there are many forces of good working toward the betterment of humanity, there are some very basic needs not being met. I realize, to my dismay, that some of the reasons behind this predicament are based on pride and judgement. There is a need, therefore, for humility and compassion, and here in this article, I would like to explore the problems and offer a solution.

So, before I offer the plan directly, let me relay my findings during my field ministry outreach. For one, addiction is not being addressed on an

individual basis and instead is being addressed with a "one size fits" methodology which leaves all but the least desperate an opportunity for healing and recovery. Those who are in the clutches of addiction and homelessness need to be humanized and respected, listened to, and loved. To do this, outreach needs to be offered in a safe and non-judgmental environment which is open and welcoming. Secondly, people are starving! There are three food banks in Bullhead and one in Laughlin NV which offer food for your home, some basic needs like clothing and hygiene products, as well as cold sack lunches for the homeless. While these programs fill the needs of many local families and the homeless, it does not provide hot meals for any of those people who cannot, for one reason or another, prepare



programs fill the needs of many local families and the homeless, it does not provide hot meals for any of those people who cannot, for one reason or another, prepare the food for themselves. These programs also do not offer outreach at their locations, for those in need of addiction counseling or crisis intervention. Third, hygiene and medical assistance is an overwhelming problem for the poorest families and for the homeless, and a contributing factor to addiction and hopelessness. As I stated above, there are some programs which try to address these issues, but not to the degree necessary for transforming lives in meaningful ways.

Basic products like toothbrushes, toothpaste, socks, and soap are lacking and dental and medical care are only being offered to those who seek it, as opposed to medical facilities providing ample field medical outreach. Lastly, the churches in our community are not working together, within the Body of Christ, to offer faith-based support and care.



As a Kingdom of God theologian and Ecumenical minister, this last part hurts me to see. As Christians, non-judgement and neighborly love should be a cornerstone of what drives us. As Masons and affiliates, I know many who are reading this, are also devout Christians, healers within our community, and contributors toward helping in any way possible with locals in need. With that, I would like to articulate a plan of action, and I ask for everyone who reads this to provide feedback and even resources to help achieve a goal worthy of the work needed to turn this dream into a reality.

This plan involves addressing all these issues at one time:

- Bringing together local churches
- Offering hot dinners five nights a week to poor families and the homeless in need.
- Offer faith-based outreach
- Offer medical and dental resources
- Offer addiction outreach, resources, and immediate crisis intervention
- Provide an atmosphere conducive to change and healing
- Humanize the marginalized
- Offer basic hygiene products
- Offering love, prayer, and support to those in need

I would like to start a non-profit ecumenical field ministry to gather the resources and funds necessary to provide for five churches in our community

to agree to host an open dinner one day a week, on a consistent basis, for the hungry. A list of the five churches, the time for dinner, and the addresses will be printed and handed out during field ministry outreach. These dinners would be prepared and served by the congregation of that church. Each church would provide a prayer and its own faith-based outreach before the meal, while other organizations may join to offer medical, dental, or counseling outreach. Also, each church could begin a weekly food drive to help gather food and donations which will be added to the resources being provided by the non-profit. Hosiery items and socks could also be offered at the end of the dinner.

This idea is not beyond the capabilities of this community, and I have seen this exact program be very successful in other cities. When we provide these services, we provide hope for the hopeless and a beacon to guide them from the darkness toward the light of recovery. My question is this, who among you will stand with me in trying to fix the issue of homelessness and poverty in a way that is humanistic and compassionate and where should we begin?

**Don't Miss It!**

**The Next  
Quarry Meeting:  
May 27th**





The days are getting longer, the sun a little warmer, and the desert is coming back to life — and the Ladies of Mohave are soaking it all in! Spring has been a busy and beautiful time for us, full of moments that remind us why sisterhood and service are so special.

This past month, we proudly represented Ladies of Mohave and the Shrine at the Oatman Car and Gun Show, a fundraiser hosted by the Oatman Shrine to benefit Shriners Children's Hospitals. Visiting Oatman is always a treat, and it's even better when we can support such an incredible cause alongside friends old and new. We also hosted a fun-filled Masonic Family Easter Event, complete with a feast and egg hunts for the young and young-at-heart. Thank you to everyone who came out and made the day so memorable — your energy and smiles truly made it something special!

We also had a wonderful time at the Topock Parade, where we celebrated community pride and friendship. Watching the Shriners zip around in their little Shrine cars never gets old — they always bring the biggest smiles to the

crowd! One day, we hope to have a Ladies of Mohave parade car to join in on the fun too.

### Upcoming Events

There's a lot to look forward to in the coming weeks. On Tuesday, April 29th, we are thrilled to welcome our High Priestess and visiting ladies from Sphinx Court as we install our 2025 Board. It will be a special evening of celebration and sisterhood that we can't wait to share.

And don't forget — on Thursday, May 2nd, we're hosting a Ladies Night Mixer at the Mohave Shrine Club! It's free and open to all women who want to learn more about Ladies of Mohave — or who simply want to enjoy a night of laughter, friendship, wine tasting, and light appetizers. Bring a friend or come make a few new ones. We'd love to see you there!

### Continuing Our Volunteer Efforts

Our dedication to service remains strong as we continue putting in volunteer hours at the club. It's through these efforts that we can support our Shrine family and maintain the spirit of giving that defines us. Thank you to all of our members who give their time and energy to make a difference.

Let's keep growing, giving, and strengthening our wonderful sisterhood!

Jessica Tary

President of Ladies of Mohave









# THE MOHAVE

## SHRINE CLUB

### Greetings Nobles

April brought us a refreshing dose of fellowship, fun, and forward motion! Earlier this month, we had the great pleasure of traveling to Phoenix for the Spring Ceremonial—and I'm proud to report we've welcomed two new Nobles into our Shrine family!

Please join me in extending a heartfelt welcome to Noble Mark Kelsey and Noble Dennis Harps. Both are already stepping up in big ways:

Dennis is eager to join the Shrine Band, bringing music and energy to our events.

Mark is showing interest in organizing parade participation, something we haven't seen in a while—and we're thrilled to support his enthusiasm.

### Speaking of parades...

Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> The Mohave Shrine Club will be made its long-awaited return to parade duty in the Topock/Golden Shores Parade. This was our first parade in quite some time, and it shaped up to be a great one. Huge thanks to our brothers in Kingman who had generously offered the use of their cars and trailer—Shrine unity at its finest!





# THE ~~MOHAVE~~

## SHRINE CLUB

And don't forget—Friday, May 9th—we're back at it with our next **Food Truck Fest!**

This month's fest features local musical favorite Tyler Halsey, live and rocking our stage!

We'll also have:

A gun raffle

Beer pong

Cornhole

And 8 confirmed food trucks ready to serve up something delicious for everyone!

Whether you're looking to volunteer, lend a hand, or just come down and enjoy the fellowship, we'd love to see you there. Let's keep the good vibes rolling and show the community what Shrinedom is all about.

Thank you for all you do, Nobles. Together, we're building something great.

Fraternally yours,

Jonathan Connaughty  
President, Mohave Shrine Club











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 architect award last Masonic year. This year we again 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 2025 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.

### The Freemasons Are the Oldest Fraternal Organization in the World

Freemasons belong to the oldest fraternal organization in the world, a group begun during the Middle Ages in Europe as a guild of skilled builders. With the decline of cathedral building, the focus of the society shifted. Today, "Freemasons are a social and philanthropic organization meant to make its members lead more virtuous and socially oriented lives," says Margaret Jacob, professor of history at the University of California, Los Angeles, and author of *Living the Enlightenment: Freemasonry and Politics in Eighteenth-Century Europe*. Grounded in the Enlightenment, the organization "still conveys [the era's] core values, religious tolerance, thirst for knowledge [and] sociability," says Cécile Révauger, a Freemason, historian of Freemasonry and professor at the University of Bordeaux.

While not a secret society, per se, it does have secret passwords and rituals that originate with the medieval guild, says Jacob: "In the original guild, there were three stages: Apprentice, Fellowcraft and Master Masons who oversaw everyone working on a site. Today, these degrees are more philosophical."

Did you know? The Regius Poem, or Halliwell Manuscript, contains the earliest reference to Freemasons and was published in 1390.



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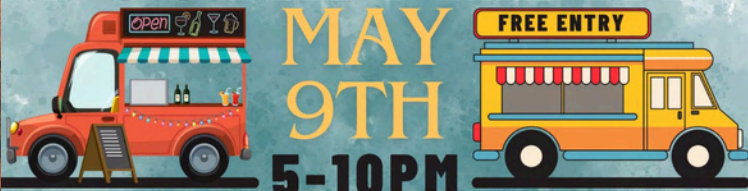

## ADVERTISE HERE

- 1 year for \$100 or \$10.00 per month for a business card front and back.
- This is a great way to advertise your business to local customers and support the lodge.
- Please contact Marcus Hensley or Jon Connaughty to place your ad.
- Note the year is from January to December
- All ads expire each December.



MIRACLE MILE EVENT CENTER PRESENTS

# FOODIE FRIDAY



MAY  
9TH  
5-10PM

LIVE MUSIC BY  
**TYLER  
HALSEY**



MIRACLE MILE  
EVENT CENTER  
At The  
Mohave Shrine Club

**FOOD TRUCKS | VENDORS**

CORNHOLE | BEER PONG | LIVE MUSIC  
FULL BAR | INDOOR & OUTDOOR SEATING

SLAP BBQ  
HILLBILLY TEA  
FOODINI'S  
ROLLIN' J'S  
BRICKIN FIRE: WOOD FIRED BAKERY  
MOHAVE MIKE'S CONCESSIONS

MORE FOOD TRUCKS & VENDORS TO BE ANNOUNCED!  
2580 MIRACLE MILE BULLHEAD CITY



YOU'RE INVITED TO THE

## Ladies of Mohave Mixer

FRIDAY, MAY 2, 2025

7:00 PM

MIRACLE MILE EVENT CENTER

2580 MIRACLE MILE

BULLHEAD CITY, AZ



LADIES OF  
MOHAVE

AUGUST 9TH

ICED TEA PARTY –  
BEACH THEMED

12–2 PM

DON'T MISS OUT – TICKETS  
GO ON SALE NEXT WEEK!

FAMILY-FRIENDLY!



MASONIC

## FAMILY FUN DAY



Saturday, August 23, 2025

11:00AM – 7:00PM

Hualapai Mountain Park Rec Area 3



Cornhole  
Tournament  
Hosted by LOS



Horseshoe  
Tournament  
Hosted by Lodge



Giant Connect  
Four  
Hosted by OES

All Masonic bodies within the Mohave Shrine Club and their families are invited! Meat will be provided – please bring your favorite side dish to share. Enjoy games, great company, and a full day of laughter and memories. Many are staying the weekend in cabins, RVs, or tents – contact Hualapai Mountain Park to reserve your spot. Let's make it a weekend to remember!

Contact Jessica, Jon, Rob, or Mary for information.

RSVP: Text 928-296-0748 w/name, organization, and # to attend



# NEEDS DRIVE

## for Shriners Children's Salt Lake City!

Help Bring Smiles To Kids Undergoing Treatment



Help bring comfort and joy to the brave kids at Shriners Children's Salt Lake City! Each month through June, we're collecting new, much-needed items to support patients and their families.

🧸 April: Stuffed Animals

📺 May: Gift Cards (Amazon, Walmart, Target, iTunes, Smith's)

🎮 June: Toys & Activity Items (Must be new, unwrapped, latex-free)

💵 Cash or check donations are also welcome and will be given directly to the hospital.

Thank you for helping us make a difference—one smile at a time! 🌟

**Drop-off Location:**

**Miracle Mile Event Center at the Mohave Shrine Club  
2580 Miracle Mile, Bullhead City**



# DONATION DRIVE CONTINUES!

Collecting gift cards  
throughout the month of May:

- Gas cards
- Grocery store cards
- Fast food or  
restaurant cards

