

Grand Junction Masonic Center
2400 Consistory Ct
Grand Junction, CO 81505



The July edition of the new Grand Valley all Masonic Trestleboard.

Upcoming Events in July 2021

Date	Time	Event	Where
Friday July 2 nd	8:00 AM	Early Bird Breakfast (Open to everyone)	Strayhorn Café and Grill – Fruita, CO
Saturday July 3 rd	9:00 AM	Palisade Lodge #125 Officers Meeting	The Masonic Center – Grand Junction CO
Saturday July 3 rd	10:00 AM	Palisade Lodge #125 Stated Communication	The Masonic Center – Grand Junction CO
Monday July 5 th	7:00 PM	Rainbow for Girls Meeting	The Masonic Center – Grand Junction CO
Friday July 9 th	8:00 AM	Early Bird Breakfast (Open to everyone)	Strayhorn Café and Grill – Fruita, CO
Wednesday July 14 th	6:30 PM	Temple Association Meeting	The Masonic Center – Grand Junction CO
Saturday July 10 th	8:00 AM	York Rite Commandery Degrees	The Masonic Park – South Fork, CO
Wednesday July 14 th	7:00 PM	DeMolay Boys Meeting	The Masonic Center – Grand Junction CO
Friday July 16 th	8:00 AM	Early Bird Breakfast (Open to everyone)	Strayhorn Café and Grill – Fruita, CO
Monday July 19 th	7:00 PM	Rainbow for Girls Meeting	The Masonic Center – Grand Junction CO
Wednesday, July 21 st	1:00 PM	Rite Care Ice Cream Social	Montrose Speech Rehab Center – Montrose, CO
Friday July 23 rd	8:00 AM	Early Bird Breakfast (Open to everyone)	Strayhorn Café and Grill – Fruita, CO
Wednesday July 28 th	7:00 PM	DeMolay Boys Meeting	The Masonic Center – Grand Junction CO



Mesa Lodge No. 55 A.F. & A.M.

Hello Brethren,

It has been a busy summer thus far and does not seem to be slowing down. As many of you know we will be dark in July and August, but we will have our Annual BBQ the first Thursday in August at 6pm. I was able to attend Grand Junction Lodge #173 hosting Palisade #125 while they performed three Entered Apprentice Degrees and they did it beautifully. I hope to be able to perform a Third Degree in our lodge by the end of the year as well and hope to make it special.

As far as upcoming things to look out for I am still trying to setup a Masonic movie night for either sometime in July or maybe in August whenever I can get it scheduled. I will let everyone know. Thus far I know of three picnics taking place in August – we will have ours on August 5th, then Fruita #120 on August 28th, and the Widows Sons will be hosting a BBQ as well – date and time TBA.

David Marshal | Worshipful Master

Mesa Lodge No. 55
 Chartered: September 18, 1883
 Meets 1st Thursday of the month
 Dark: July & August
 Address: 2400 Consistory Ct
 Grand Junction, CO 81501

2021 Dinner Assignments

January.....Parker King
 February.....Greg Foster
 March.....John Groves
 April.....Jim Marshall
 May.....David Marshall
 June.....Jason Kohles
 July.....No Meeting
 August.....No Meeting
 September.....Harry Clark
 October.....Roger Phillips
 November.....Brad M-Anderson
 December.....No Meeting

Mesa Lodge No. 55 Lodge Officers	
Worshipful Master	David Marshal (970) 412-5890
Senior Warden	Harry Clark (PM) (970) 986-9315
Junior Warden	Tim Claypool (PM) (970) 712-3280
Secretary	Christopher Geisler (970) 250-8979
Treasurer	John Groves (PM) (970) 261-5189
Senior Deacon	Gregory Foster (505) 350-0197
Junior Deacon	Paker King (970) 629-9496
Senior Steward	Andrew Weber (970) 312-4774
Junior Steward	
Tiler	Jim Marshal (970) 712-9207
Director of the Work	John Groves (PM) (970) 261-5189
Chaplain	Jason Kohles (PM) (970) 250-8004
Marshall	William Marshal (970) 260-5432



Fruita Lodge No. 120 A.F. & A.M.

Greetings Brethren.

With the extreme heat that we have experienced the last several weeks, it is hard to believe that we are just “beginning” summer. Nevertheless, our Lodge has entered its annual June and July period of darkness. That doesn’t mean that all activities have come to a halt. On Saturday June 26th we had a Spaghetti Picnic at Reed Park. This event was designed to be sort of a replacement activity for our usual Bean Dinner, Valentine’s Day-Sweetheart Lunch, and St Patrick’s Day Corned Beef Dinner, all having been canceled because of brother COVID.

My thanks to WB/JW Glen Phelps for spearheading the Spaghetti Picnic and to everyone who braved the afternoon heat to attend. If you were there you had an afternoon of Masonic camaraderie and fellowship; if you were unable to be there you were missed. Not to worry though. You will have another chance. We will gather again at Reed Park Shelter on Saturday August 28th. for our Annul Burgers and Brats Picnic. Set-up will begin at noon and we will eat shortly after 1:00. It will be potluck for salads and desserts with the lodge providing burgers, brats, buns, condiments, sodas and water. All Masons, families and guests are welcome. Extra points for bringing a prospective member.

If you feel the need for a Masonic “fix” during July or August, please check the Trestleboards for Lodges 55, 125 and 173 as they continue activities during the summer months. With the resumption of our Lodge’s regular stated communications in September we will begin with Past Masters Night on Tuesday the 21st. We will also be scheduling an untiled meeting in September, date yet to be determined, at which we will be presenting a 50-Year pin to WB Lee Anderson.

Know Your Ritual: “The glory and beauty of the day....” Light is a central theme throughout Masonry. Daylight, created by God, possess many beauties, advantages and blessings for mankind. It promotes and sustains life and is symbolic of knowledge and gaining wisdom. Its supreme glory is found in its marvelous utterances of the goodness and glory of God. Psalms 19:1-6. How often have you heard “so and so finally saw the light” or there is “light at the end of the tunnel” or said “it finally dawned on me”? Light does indeed offer glory and beauty.

Mike Murphy | Worshipful Master

Fruita Lodge No. 120
 Chartered: September 21, 1904
 Meets 1st Thursday of the month
 Dark: July & August
 Address: 2400 Consistory Ct
 Grand Junction, CO 81501

2021 Dinner Assignments

January.....No Meeting
 February.....No Meeting
 March.....Mike Murphy
 April.....Naaman Moorehouse
 May.....Glen Phelps
 June.....Lee Anderson
 July.....No Meeting
 August.....No Meeting
 September.....Gary Weiszbrod
 October.....Jim McBride
 November.....Randy Rehwoldt
 December.....James Anthony

Fruita Lodge No. 120 Lodge Officers	
Worshipful Master	Mike Murphy (970) 640-5570
Senior Warden	Naaman Moorehouse (970) 433-7854
Junior Warden	Glen Phelps (970) 390-7146
Secretary	Randy Rehwoldt (PM) (970) 434-4608
Treasurer	Jimmy McBride (PM) (970) 390-7146
Senior Deacon	James Anthony (PM) (970) 306-1580
Junior Deacon	Gary Weiszbrod (970) 433-8978
Senior Steward	Jeff Koenig (PM) (970) 318-1004
Junior Steward	
Tiler	Robert Nickels (970) 858-0940
Director of the Work	Lee Anderson (970) 846-8493
Chaplain	
Marshall	Andrew Weber (970) 312-4773



Palisade Lodge No. 125 A.F.O.A.M

Regarding our June communication.

Brethren, I would first of all like to express how thankful I am for all your hard work and dedication to our Lodge and the fraternity. I know our individual thoughts and feelings about Palisade 125 and the craft as a whole are deeply rooted in love, respect and rich tradition.

When I first started investigating joining Palisade I discovered in our records that my Great Grandfather and His Brother were members of this Lodge, as such I also have a deep family connection with Palisade 125. I was very happy seeing everyone engaging patiently and passionately in the discussion at our communication.

You all are wonderful examples of Masonry and what it represents. I would also like to congratulate Brother Chad Davis on his proficiency exam with Brother Harry Clark. They did a amazing job and it was evident that lots of time and dedication were involved. We had a wonderful opportunity to work on our ballot skills as we now have another brother prepared for his third degree and are ready to have two more gentlemen receive their initiation. I have no doubt that 2021 will be a good year for us.

Thanks again for all your work and dedication to our Lodge family.

Christopher Eglet | Worshipful Master

Palisade Lodge No. 125
Chartered: September 14, 1907
Meets 1st Saturday of the month
Lodge at 10:00 AM
Coffee at 11:00 AM
Address: 2400 Consistory Ct
Grand Junction, CO 81501

Early Bird Breakfast

8:00 AM Every Friday
At the Strayhorn Grill
located on the South side of I-70.
**All Area Masons Are Welcome to
join Us!**



Palisade Lodge No. 125 Lodge Officers

Worshipful Master	Chris Eglet (970) 640-4986
Senior Warden	Kerry King (PM) (970) 434-3267
Junior Warden	Harry Clark (PM) (970) 986-9315
Secretary	Gregory Foster (505) 350-0197
Treasurer	David Krogh (970) 314-9664
Senior Deacon	Naaman Morehouse (970) 250-9042
Junior Deacon	Don Halford (602) 309-0794
Senior Steward	
Junior Steward	
Tiler	James Krogh (PM) (970) 260-3373
Director of the Work	
Chaplain	Mike Briscoe (PM) (970) 433-6766
Marshall	William Marshal (970) 260-5432



Grand Junction Lodge No. 173 A.F.C.M.

Greetings Brethren,

Grand Junction Lodge is currently dark for the summer. Please check back in August for further information.

Gregory Foster | Secretary

Grand Junction Lodge No. 173
Chartered: January 23, 1952
Meets 1st Thursday of the month
Dinner at 6:30 PM
Lodge at 7:00 PM
Lodge is Dark in July & August
Address: 2400 Consistory Ct
Grand Junction, CO 81501



GJ Lodge No. 173 Lodge Officers

Worshipful Master	Craig Miller (PM) (970) 241-0997
Senior Warden	Mike Briscoe (PM) (970) 433-666
Junior Warden	James Anthony (PM) (970) 242-2199
Secretary	Gregory Foster (505) 350-0197
Treasurer	Lin Armstrong (970) 234-0444
Senior Deacon	Jeff Koenig (PM) (970) 201-3371
Junior Deacon	Robert Daugherty (PM) (970) 210-4290
Senior Steward	
Junior Steward	Jeff Bush (970) 433-6766
Tiler	Randy Rehwoldt (PM) (970) 250-1672
Director of the Work	
Chaplain	
Marshall	



Rainbow for Girls Assembly No. 12

Hello from the Rainbow Girls,

We are finishing up our own Celestyn Baker's Grand Year as Grand Worthy Advisor (State President) with our Grand Assembly July 29-31st. She is only the second GWA from Grand Junction and she made us very proud with excellent programs and activities. She will be a Majority member after Grand with her 20th birthday.

We have celebrated four graduating seniors...Deirdre, Shayde, Tess, and Rayna. Two will be attending school in Grand Junction and will be helping us with our young members.

Cora has finished a very successful term as our Worthy Advisor navigating the on-again-off-again COVID mess as a good leader. We are counting on her to also help us with younger members.

We have Initiated two girls from Montrose with the hope they will become the seeds of a new assembly. We have also two new members from GJ. We will be Initiating again in August with the visit of the new GWA Kaitlyn from Monte Vista.

The girls are very, very grateful for all the help and support each of you Masons give to them. They always say, "they love us and we love them!"

Mother Advisor | Ellen Rehwoldt

Grand Junction Assembly #12 meets on the first, and third Mondays of each month at the Grand Junction Masonic Center at 7:0 PM.

For more information on The International Order of Rainbow for Girls please visit www.iorgcolorado.org.



Columbine Chapter Order of DeMolay

Hello from the DeMolay Boys,

Columbine Chapter has been working harder than ever to better the young men of our chapter, and we recently welcomed another new member!

We have been meeting both in person and over Zoom to keep all of our members safe and healthy, and we plan to keep improving DeMolay on the Western Slope!

Our young men are excited to travel all the way to Colorado Springs to participate in this year's Convention at the Great Wolf Lodge. I don't know about you, but the water slide sounds like the most fun! We are really looking forward to seeing all of our brothers from across the state again, especially after such a long lockdown.

Thankfully the world is starting to look up, and so are our members! Columbine continues to grow, and we hope to bring in even more new brothers over the next year!

The Columbine Chapter of the Order of DeMolay meets at the Grand Junction Masonic Center on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM.

For more information on DeMolay in Colorado please visit www.coloradodemolay.org.



Scottish Rite of the Grand Valley

Wednesday, July 21st at 1:00 PM the Scottish Rite will be hosting an Ice Cream Social at the Montrose Speech Rehab Center for the Montrose RiteCare children.

The Grand Valley Chapter of the Scottish Rite meets the third Monday of each month at the Grand Junction Masonic Center. If you would like more information on the Scottish Rite, please visit www.scottishrite.org or contact Bill Nikell at BBNickell1234@gmail.com.



York Rite of the Grand Valley

Grand Junction Council No. 16 recently hosted the annual Grand Pathways Rendezvous, where fifteen candidates from across the state of Colorado participated in the Council Degrees. The event was capped off with a steak lunch and the entire event went extremely well. Thank you to all the Brothers and Companions that made this wonderful event possible.

Temple Commandry No. 23 will be sending two candidates to the Angel on the Rio ceremony in South Fork, Colorado on Saturday, July 10th.

The Grand Junction York Rite bodies meet on the second Monday of each month at the Grand Junction Masonic Center at 7:00 PM. For more information, please visit www.YorkRite.org or contact Jeff Bush at (970) 433-6766.



Order of the Eastern Star Sunshine Chapter

There are no meetings in July and August as the chapter goes dark over the summer. Please check back in September.

The Sunshine Chapter #53 of the Order of the Eastern Star meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month at the Grand Junction Masonic Center at 7:30 PM. For more information on The Order of the Eastern Star please visit www.easternstar.org or contact Harry Clark at (970) 986-9315.



Western Colorado Shrine Club

We discussed having a picnic this summer and we will go dark for July and August. VP Bill Hirt is working on our parade schedule and it's coming along very well. With a lot of towns coming out of Covid restrictions.

WCSC Clowns: We have changed our meeting date, time and place for some of the clowns who still work for a living. We will now meet at Starvin' Arvin's in Delta on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 10:00 AM. Anyone who would like to join us are more than welcome, if you behave.

We knocked'em out at the Crawford parade June 12th, and we had a great time to boot. We'll parade in Montrose on the 4th of July, and now that the road to Gunnison is open on weekends, we can do the "Gunnison Cattlemen's Days" on Saturday, July 17th. Line up begins at 9:00 AM. The "Deltarado Days" parade is July 24th with line up at 9:00 AM, and the Montrose County Fair is on Monday, July 26th, line is at 5:00 PM.

We met with an X-Clown and his lady at Mary's Restaurant in Grand Junction. Michael and Nichole Thayer have become missionaries and now live in Colombia. Sure do miss Pooh bear and his lady.

As we had a lot of clowns out of town, so we canceled our June meeting. Tri-County will meet at Daveto's July 24th right after the Deltarado

Steve Thomas



Masonic Temple Association

The Temple Association for the Grand Junction Masonic Center meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 PM at the Grand Junction Masonic Center. All are welcome to attend.

Masonic Resources

If you are looking for more light in Masonry or would like to know more about what is going on in with the Masonic Lodges and Appendant Bodies in the Grand Valley please check out these resources.

Websites

- www.MasonicFamilyGJ.
- www.ColoradoFreeMasons.org
- www.ScottishRite.org
- www.YorkRite.org
- www.Shrinersinternational.org
- www.EasternStar.org
- www.OES-Colorado.org
- www.GoRainbow.org
- www.IORGColorado.org
- www.DeMolay.org
- www.ColoradoDeMolay.org
- www.FreeMasonryToday.com

Magazines

- Freemasonry Today
- The Journal of The Masonic Society
- Short Talk Bulletins by The Masonic Service Association

Podcasts

- From Whence Came you
- The Winding Staircase

YouTube Channels

- What is a Mason
- The Masonic Round Table

If you know of other masonic resources, you would like others to know about please let your lodge secretary know.



Please keep the following Brothers, Widows and Orphans in your thoughts and prayers. If you know of a Brother, his Widow or Orphan in distress please contact your local lodge Secretary to add him or them to the list.

- W. Bro Gerald Conyers – continues his fight with leukemia
- W. Bro. James Anthony – is recovering from his heart surgery
- W. Bro Lee Anderson – has been released from the hospital after recovering from COVID.

July Birthdays in the Grand Valley

- Andrew Be
- Brad Montgomery Anderson
- Bruce Hinde
- Daniel Be
- Douglas Ayers
- Dwight Russell
- Floyd Crane
- Jayson Leyh
- Jeffrey Bush
- John Hynes
- John Kutzschebauch
- Nathaniel Pavlisick
- Parker King
- Richard Barkley
- Roger Smith
- William Marshall

Wish these brothers a Happy Birthday the next time you see them.

July Masonic Anniversaries

- Bruce Bower - 1985
- Carl Gauner - 1960
- Michael Briscoe – 1969

Wish these brothers a Happy Masonic Anniversary the next time you see them.



July Masonic Education

This monthly Masonic Education comes from W Bro. David Marshall, sitting master for Mesa Lodge No. 55.

I would like to share this story on the Widows Sons history with everyone I found it to be interesting, by Brother Armando Nunez, President Florida Chapter of The Widows Sons. The logo and concept of the Widows Sons International Motorcycle Association was conceived by Bro. Carl Davenport from Chicago, IL.

One rainy Sunday morning, Bro. Carl awoke with the words “Widows Sons” deeply implanted in his head. The words revolved in his thoughts for several weeks and eventually coalesced into the image of a beautiful woman with a pale look on her face. He immediately knew the look was from fear and severe pain. The image kept coming into his thoughts at different times during those weeks allowing him to understand she was a beautiful woman who was having deep problems, but he was unable to see exactly what she looked like or who she was. Only an ashen faced beautiful woman to distant to see clearly.

For several weeks he walked around with this image in his head and the words “Widows Sons”. The image and words revolved around in his thoughts each night before going to sleep. The image would not come in clearly enough to make it out completely, but it was ever present, while he slept, while he rode his motorcycle and at various times during the day. The image then slowly became clearer and its’ meaning slowly revealed itself to him. The beautiful woman was a widow, her face pale and strained with hurt and fear because of her loss and the uncertainty of her future.

Bro. Carl then started to research information on the Widows Son. As he thought more and drew on his Masonic experiences, he understood what the image represented. When a Master Mason is called to the Grand Lodge above, his widow always has a deep look of pain and at the same time is full of fear because of the unknown journey she will now undertake alone. She was obviously the Widow. And he decided she was the widow of a Master Mason because of his affinity for the Fraternity. He then spent untold hours trying to put the image he had seen on paper. All he understood at that time was that he should transfer this image onto paper along with the words “Widows Sons”.

Bro. Carl had always wanted to form a Masonic motorcycle club. He thought it would carry well across the fraternity. And during this period he had started to put together a list on interested Brethren through the Masonic Biker website on www.mastermason.com. He very soon had a list of Masons and Masonic clubs listed. Everything was now in place for the forming of the Widows Sons International Motorcycle Association, Int’l although Bro. Carl did not yet realize it.

One day he was having a conversation with a fellow Brother from the Philippines and discussing motorcycles and Masonry and how Grand Lodges might view Masonic motorcycle organizations. They decided they needed two things’ numbers (members) and a cause. It was at that moment that the entire concept including the logo came together in his head. The motorcycle club should be called the Widows Sons and they should aid and assist the widows of Masons whose faces were “pale white from the pain of their loss and the fear of their future travels alone”. At that point all confusion as to why the words ‘Widows Sons’ and the image of the widow had come to him. Since that day the Widows Sons International Motorcycle Association has grown with chapters active and forming in more than 11 states in the U.S. and 5 countries outside the U.S.

The club is open to Masons who ride a street or highway-legal motorcycle and are in good standing in the records of their blue lodge.





Congratulations Elijah, Scott, and Jason the newest Entered Apprentices in Palisade Lodge No. 125 and GJ Lodge No. 173.



A special thank you to W. Bro. Don Townsend and W. Bro John Groves for their work on the Entered Apprentice Lectures.



Congratulations Kenne and Buck (not pictured) Mesa Lodge No. 55 latest Fellow Craft.