

Mesa Lodge #55 AF&AM Grand Junction, Colorado December 2020 - January 2021

Calendar of Meetings and Events

Dec 4	Grand Junction Parade of Lights - All-Masonic float participating. Cancelled
Dec 5	Palisade Parade of Lights - All-Mason- ic float participating Cancelled
Dec 11	Area Joint Installation of Officers. Din- ner followed by Installation ceremony at 7:00 pm. Cancelled
Dec 30	6:30 pm - EA Degree Practice
Jan 6	6:30 pm - EA Degree Practice
Jan 7	6:00 pm - Dinner (Parker King) Fol- lowed by Stated Communication at 7:00 pm - EA Degree (Allowed under COVID-19 5-Star Order)
Jan 21	6:30 pm Officers Practice
Feb 2	6:00 pm - ED Degree Practice
Feb 4	6:00 pm - Dinner (Greg Foster) Fol- lowed by Stated Communication at 7:00 pm EA Degree presentation
Feb 18	6:30 pm Officers Practice

Master's Message



Greetings Brethren:

These have been trying times as of late. Without much opportunity to meet in person I believe we have made the best of a bad situation. I would like to thank everyone who was able to attend our zoom installation it was definitely unique and new but the meeting experience was great. WB Groves did a great job with coordinating and running the installation.

Moving forward we plan to make in-person meetings a thing again. We have an Entered Apprentice Degree scheduled on January 7th for candidate, Jonathon Estrada. There will be 2 practices before we have the degree (see Calendar of Events).

I have a fun year planned and hope to pull it off with COVID still being present. If any of the brothers have fun activities or charities they would like to accomplish please let me know or bring it up in Lodge. I know my first year as a Mason we did both a clothing drive and a canned food drive. I would really like to do more of these types of things during my time. I think we have a good shot at being able to do all 3 degrees this year and would love to see a good turn out of the brothers that have been missing at some from our meetings Lets try and get the members out of the wood works and make a good showing.

We will delivering Christmas poinsettias to the widows in the near future and if any one would like to help with this please let me or WB Claypool.

I hope everyone stays safe and healthy and that you all have a great holiday season.

Fraternally, WB David Marshall

December-January Birthdays

Dirtildays		
Harry Clark	Dec 1	
Jonathan Estrada	Dec 3	
Carl Gaumer	Dec 7	
Spencer Hughes	Dec 9	
Bruce A. Bower	Dec 18	
Thaddeus Wilcox	Dec 20	
Shane Allerheiligan	Dec 24	
Ted Herrman	Jan 4	
Daran Mahoney	Jan 11	
Ken Whiton	Jan 12	
Nick Boozell	Jan 14	
Calvin Busby	Jan 19	
Jason Kohles	Jan 19	
Sean Norris	Jan 21	

Dinner Assignments

Dec	No Meeting
Jan	Parker King
Feb	Greg Foster
Mar	John Groves
Apr	David Marshall
May	Jim Marshall
Jun	Tim Claypool
July	Jason Kholes
Aug	Picnic - TBD
Sep	Harry Clark
Oct	Roger Phillips
Nov	Brad M-Anderson
Dec	Christmas Party





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Meetings at the Grand Junction Masonic Center During the Pandemic

Until the current COVID-19 pandemic is over the Grand Valley Event Center (GVEC) will be requiring each renter group to adhere to applicable State and Mesa Country COVID-19 Orders, including distancing, masking and sanitizing requirements.

GVEC will supply sanitizing materials, post required notices at entrances and throughout the building, and monitor compliance by periodic observation during events. As of November 24, 2020, GVEC is operating the facility under the Mesa County Variance Protection/5 Star Program. Renters will be required to comply with the following:

1. Each renter will designate a responsible adult to monitor each person entering:

a. Is properly masked with a non-medical cloth face covering over the nose and mouth.

b. Is tested for fever with a supplied thermometer.

c. Does not appear to demonstrate dry cough, shortness of breath,

difficulty breathing, fatigue, or a recent loss of taste or smell.

Those persons so affected will be sent home.

d. Established seating and table spacing is enforced.

2. Renters will ensure that the number of people attending their event is limited to no more that 50% of normal room capacity and that no more than 100 people are present in confined indoor spaces in the entire building.

3. Established seating and table spacing will not altered and only the number of people for which seating is available will be admitted – no standing room space allowed.

4. Renters will disinfect high-touch surfaces in rented areas as well as items shared between individuals. Single use rather than self-service equipment or utensils will be used.

5. If alcohol is permitted, service must end no later than 10 pm.

6. Dancing, music and live performances will not be allowed.



Protect Yourself and Those You Love.

Mesa County is experiencing widespread community trans- mission of COVID-19. There are certain places where COVID- 19 spreads more easily, avoid the three Cs to protect your- self and others from the spread of COVID-19.

AVOID Close contact settings such as close range conversations AVOID Confined and enclosed spaces with poor ventilation AVOID Crowds and places with many persons