



*Mesa Lodge #55 AF&AM
Grand Junction, Colorado
May 2021*

Calendar of Meetings and Events

May 1	10:00 am - Grand Master's visitation at Palisade Lodge #12's Communication - Masonic Center in Grand Junction - Luncheon following the meeting.
May 6	6:00 pm - Dinner (Jim Marshall) Followed by Stated Communication at 7:00 pm
May 20	6:00 pm - Officer Meeting/Practice
Jun 3	6:00 pm - Dinner (Tim Claypool) Followed by Stated Communication at 7:00 pm
Jun 17	7:00 pm - Special Communication, FC Degree
Jun 21	5:00 pm - All-Masonic Picnic at Sherwood Park
Aug 20-21	Grand Junction Scottish Rite Spring Reunion - GJ Masonic Center



Master's Message



Greetings Brethren:

I hope all is well within the craft and everyone is staying safe, the Grand Lodge has recently performed an 80-year pin award for a brother on the Eastern Slope. That is an incredible achievement to have accomplished. I hope I can make it to half of that and be able to contribute to Masonry in the manner he was able to achieve.

The Grand Master and several of his officers were able to attend the meeting of Palisade Lodge #125 on Saturday May 1st. He was received with honors and it was exciting to be able to see that firsthand. The brothers did a great job with the formal reception ceremony and were congratulated by the Grand Master. He spoke about sharing short oral stories with each other and challenged everyone to share a story with people this year. He then shared a few of his own and it got me thinking of a few of my own stories that I thought would help or a least make someone laugh.

Coming up I would really like to see if we can get several brothers to attend Fruita Lodge #120 on May 18th at 7pm to take the traveling gavel from them. We will need 5 members not counting our treasurer. This is the time before brothers start planning things for the summer.

If you've ever wondered what the "AL XXXX" inscribed on Masonic Cornerstones stands for, you should come to our May 6th meeting. Worshipful Brother Lee Anderson has a Masonic Education prepared for presentation and titled "Anno Lucis" – what's that??? Come to the meeting and find out. Better yet Come to dinner, 6 pm, and then the meeting, 7pm. Hope to see you there.

David Marshall, Worshipful Master

Masonic Education May 6th AnnoLucis A.L In the Year of Light

By Worshipful Brother Lee Anderson



May Birthdays

Charles Johnson	May 1
Bob Cucchetti	May 17
Greg Foster	May 17
Tadd Warner	May 18

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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RESOLUTION No. 2021-15

SUPPORTING THE RIGHTS OF INDIVIDUALS AND BUSINESSES TO BE FREE TO CHOOSE HOW TO PROTECT THEMSELVES FROM COVID-19

March 22, 2021

- WHEREAS, We have accepted the shared responsibility of protecting the most vulnerable and at-risk in Mesa County, and we have done that; and
- WHEREAS, The original intent of the Stay at Home order was to flatten the curve to ensure adequate capacity in our hospitals. Overall hospital bed usage in Mesa County continues to decrease, so hospital capacity is no longer an issue; and
- WHEREAS, Our local businesses are important to the economic health of our community and are especially critical to those they employ, their families, and their customers. Our local small businesses have been at a disadvantage when compared to national businesses; and
- WHEREAS, Mesa County residents are ready to resume their routines and build back our economy.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT MESA COUNTY'S FREE TO CHOOSE INITIATIVE WILL GO INTO EFFECT AT THE POINT IN WHICH ALL MESA COUNTY RESIDENTS 16 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER HAVE ADEQUATE ACCESS TO THE COVID-19 VACCINE. WE ANTICIPATE THAT DATE TO BE AFTER APRIL 16, AND NO LATER THAN MAY 1, 2021.

Under this Resolution:

1. Businesses may choose whether or not they will limit capacity within their facility and whether or not they will require face coverings, social distancing, or other safety measures.
2. Individuals may choose whether they want to continue to wear face coverings, stay at home, or frequent businesses that may or may not require face coverings, social distancing, or other safety measures.
3. Mesa County Public Health (MCPH) will continue to encourage all residents to wear a face covering and to social distance whenever possible. However, it is ultimately up to individuals to choose what level or risk they are comfortable taking, and how to best protect themselves and their loved ones.
4. For the time being, MCPH will continue to recognize 5-Star facilities but they must continue the practices they've adopted to maintain the designation.
5. Organizers of events are encouraged to implement social distancing and other safety measures. Events with more than 2,500 attendees must go through a plan review process with MCPH.

Nothing in this Resolution intends to force people to not wear a face covering or to leave their home if they are not comfortable. Nothing in this Resolution intends to force businesses to not require face coverings or social distancing. Rather this Resolution empowers people to make these choices for themselves.

DULY MOVED, SECONDED and PASSED this 22nd day of March, 2021.



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