

# All Masonic Trestleboard

## April 2023



Find out what is happening in Masonry across the Grand Valley

# April Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29 Palisade Lodge Practice   6:30 PM - GJ Masonic Center	30	31	1 Palisade & Fruita Lodge Joint Communication   9 AM - GJ Masonic Center
2 All-Masonic Open House   1-4 PM - GJ Masonic Center	3 Rainbow Girls   7 PM - GJ Masonic Center	4 Eastern Star   7 PM - GJ Masonic Center	5 York Rite Council   7:30 PM - Hotchkiss	6 Mesa Lodge Stated Communication   6 PM - GJ Masonic Center	7	8 York Rite Chapter Of- ficial Visit   9 AM - GJ Masonic Center
9	10 School Awards Ceremo- ny   5:30 PM - GJ Masonic Center  York Rite Commandary   7:30 PM - GJ Masonic Center	11 Western Colorado Shrine Club Board Meeting   11:45 AM - Grand Vista Hotel	12 GJ Temple Assoc   6:30 PM - GJ Masonic Center  All-Masonic Leadership Meeting   7:45 PM - GJ Ma- sonic Center	13 All-Masonic Education Night   6 PM - GJ Masonic Center  DeMolay Boys   7 PM - GJ Masonic Center	14 GJ Lodge Stated Com- munication   6 PM - GJ Masonic Center	15 All-Masonic Happy Hour   4 PM - Scotland Yard Cigar & Spirits
16	17 Scottish Rite   6:30 PM - GJ Masonic Center  Rainbow Girls   7 PM - GJ Masonic Center	18 Fruita Masonic Lodge   6 PM - Fruita Masonic Center  Eastern Star   7 PM - GJ Masonic Center	19 York Rite Commandary Official Visit   6 PM - Hotchkiss	20 Entered Apprentice De- gree   7 PM - GJ Mason- ic Center	21	22
23	24	25	25	27 All-Masonic Practice   6:30 PM - GJ Masonic Center  DeMolay Boys   7 PM - GJ Masonic Center	28	29 York Rite Council Official Visit   9 AM - GJ Mason- ic Center
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## Grand Chapter Regional Official Visit



Grand Junction Masonic Center  
2400 Consistory Ct, G. Junction, 81501  
Saturday April 8th  
9:00 AM to 12:00 PM  
All Royal Arch Masons Encouraged

### TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED



#### OFFICER PLANNING

Provide simple tools and ideas to help officers plan a successful year



#### EXPLANATION OF THE WORDS AND SIGNS

Discuss origins, disconnect, and meanings of signs and words given and used throughout Chapter degrees



#### PRACTICE

Correct ways to perform the opening and closing arches



#### CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT

Provide attendees with education materials and activities to bring back to chapter meetings

**QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT**  
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## Birthdays

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

- Darrell Manroe
- Douglas Simons
- Gary Weiszbrod
- Harry Webster
- Kerry King
- Larry Drieth
- Merle Cooper
- Naaman Moorehouse
- Robert Johnson
- Ronald Franklin

## Masonic Anniversaries

Wish these Brothers a Happy Anniversary on being Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason the next time you see them.

- Charles Shear
- David Van Dyke
- Don Wright
- Donald Halford
- Douglas Ayers
- Eric Johnson
- Erik Groves
- Harry Clark
- James Livermore
- Milo Harris
- Linn Armstrong
- Randy Larson
- Roger Smith
- Tadd Warner
- Thomas Lacroix
- Thomas Young

## Sickness & Distress

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. Jerald Conyers
- W. Bro. Ron Franklin
- W. Bro. Bill Buvinger
- Bro. Bill Brassette
- W. Bo. Jim and Iris Krogh (Widow of Bro. David Krogh)

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## In Memorial Brother David Krogh

Once again, a Brother Mason having fulfilled the designs laid down upon life's Trestleboard has answered the summons of the Grand Warden of Heaven and Entered the Celestial Lodge above, over which the Supreme Architect of the Universe presides.

Brother David Krogh was born in Denver, Colorado on October 30th, 1933. He was Initiated as an Entered Apprentice on June 18th, 1969, Passed to the degree of a Fellow Craft on August 9th, 1969, and Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason on October 15th, 1969, in Henry S. Haines Lodge No. 253 F. & A.M. in Camden, New Jersey. He died March 8th, 2023, from complications related to a fall.

Brother David was active in Masonry. He served as Treasurer in Palisade Lodge for many years, and he was the unofficial photographer for the Lodges, Temples, Consistories, and Clubs he belonged to.

Brother David affiliated with Acacia Lodge No. 17 F. & A.M. in Utah in June 1972, Gillette Lodge No. 28 A.F. & A.M. in Wyoming in March 1991, Grand Junction Lodge No. 173 in 1995, Palisade Lodge No. 125 in 2001, and Fruita Masonic Lodge No. 120 in 2010.

Brother David was a Shriner with El Jebel Shrine & the Western Colorado Shrine Club, and a 32nd Degree Master of the Royal Secret with the Grand Junction Scottish Rite Consistory.

# THE STEPHEN M. MUNSINGER SCOTTISH RITE FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

It's not very often that we can all work together towards a guaranteed outcome, but before us now is an opportunity that will most certainly help those who need financial assistance to pursue their educational goals.

It has been said that if you give a man a fish, you are feeding him for one day, but if you teach a man to fish, you are feeding him for a lifetime. The same is true when you create an educational endowment. By creating an educational endowment, the Orient of Colorado will permanently assist worthy undergraduate students and thus make a lasting impact on the community at large and impress upon that student the virtues of the Scottish Rite.

So it is fitting that this scholarship be named in honor of our Past SGIG Stephen Munsinger, who is a firm believer in the power of education. "The Stephen M. Munsinger Scottish Rite Family Scholarship" will benefit undergraduates living within the Orient of Colorado who have a Scottish Rite relationship with a gift of between \$1,000 and \$2,500 for every \$50,000 raised in perpetuity. The deadline for our goal of raising \$50,000 is April 18<sup>th</sup> 2023.



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# Mesa Lodge No. 55



Mesa Lodge No. 55  
Chartered: September 18, 1883

Meets the 1st Thursday of the month  
in Lodge Room 1 of the Grand  
Junction Masonic Center at 7:00 PM,  
with dinner before lodge at 6:00 PM.

Dark: July & August

## 2023 Dinner Assignments

January.....Gregory Foster  
February.....Tom Verdieck  
March.....Ian Hughes  
April.....John Groves  
May.....Chris Geisler  
June.....Andrew Weber  
July.....Dark (No Meeting)  
August.....All-Masonic Picnic  
September.....Kenne Whitson  
October.....Harry Clark  
November.....David Marshall  
December.....All-Christmas Party

### Greetings Brothers and friends,

I want to thank everyone that helped make the St. Patty's Day Murder Mystery Dinner Party such a success. I owe a huge thank you to Tom, Sherry, John, Amy, and my wife, Jessica, for all their help and support in putting on the dinner. We had about forty people show up and fun was had by all.

Also, a big thank you to all the Brothers that played a part in the Third Degree we put on Saturday, March 25th for Brother Nick Eglet of Palisade Lodge. Also, more thanks to Amy for preparing another wonderful meal after the degree.

April will be another busy month. I invite all of you to come out to the Joint Communication between Palisade and Fruita Masonic Lodges on Saturday, April 1st. Breakfast is at 9 AM and Lodge will open at 10 AM.

Our Stated Communication will be on Thursday, April 6th. Dinner will be at 6 PM and Lodge will open at 7 PM. Bro. Andrew Weber is in charge of the meal this month so please RSVP to him for dinner so he knows how much food to prepare. Our education segment will be on Scottish Rite Freemasonry and we will be voting on the Charity Budget for the remainder of the year.

We will continue our Masonic Education Sessions on Thursday, April 13th. Due to technical difficulties with the website last month we had to postpone our class. This month we will be studying the Fellow Craft Degree. Please let me know if you would like more information about the class.

We will put on an Entered Apprentice Degree on Thursday, April 20th at 7 PM. All Masons are welcome to attend and two new brothers will be joining our Fraternity. The Mesa Lodge Officers meeting will be postponed to Thursday, April 27th.

Our Spring Charity Drive also starts in April and runs through June. We will be accepting monetary donations for the Bethel Assembly of God Food Bank. You can make donations via the Our Lodge Page app on your phone, online, at a Lodge meeting, or by mailing cash or a check to the Lodge at P.O. Box 4794, Grand Junction, CO 81502.

Many families are struggling to put food on the table and we can help them have one less thing to worry about.

There are several Brothers that have yet to pay their 2023 Dues. If you haven't paid your dues yet, please do so as soon as possible. If you are experiencing financial difficulties please reach out to me so we can make arrangements.

Finally, I want to hear from you. What do you want to see Mesa Lodge do this year? If you haven't been to Lodge in a while, why not? What can we do to get you back? I invite all the Brothers to join us in April for dinner and Lodge. If you don't remember the signs or passwords- don't worry. We can review them privately before Lodge. If you need a ride to or from lodge please reach out to me or W. Bro. John Groves and we will make arrangements to get you to lodge and back home.

Fraternally,

**Gregory Foster**  
**Worshipful Master**

## Mesa Lodge No. 55 Officers

<b>Worshipful Master</b>	Gregory Foster (505) 350-0197
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Tom Verdieck (PM) (970) 270-8504
<b>Junior Warden</b>	Ian Hughes (720) 324-1391
<b>Secretary</b>	Christopher Geisler (970) 250-8979
<b>Treasurer</b>	John Groves (PM) (970) 261-5189
<b>Senior Deacon</b>	Andrew Weber (970) 312-4774
<b>Junior Deacon</b>	Kenny Whitson (620) 260-0817
<b>Senior Steward</b>	Buck Henry (970) 261-9138
<b>Junior Steward</b>	
<b>Tiler</b>	Harry Clark (PM) (970) 986-9315
<b>Dir. Of the Work</b>	David Marshall (PM) (970) 412-5809
<b>Chaplain</b>	Jason Kohles (PM) (970) 250-8004
<b>Marshal</b>	William Marshal (970) 260-5432

## Masonic Family Open House

The Masonic Bodies of the Grand Valley will be holding an open house on Sunday, April 2nd from 1-4 PM. We will open our doors to the community to those that are curious about Freemasonry and other bodies. We will also offer free Emergency Child ID Kits to parents.

We need volunteers from each of the Masonic Bodies below who are willing to come and talk about their group:

- Rainbow Girls
- DeMolay Boys
- Blue Lodge
- York Rite
- Scottish Rite
- Shriners
- Order of the Eastern Star

## Open Practice

Mesa Lodge is hosting a practice session for Brothers who want to practice Opening or Closing a lodge, the Funeral Service, Degree Work or a Proficiency on the fourth Thursday of each month at 6 PM at the Grand Junction Masonic Center. This practice is open to any Brother from any Lodge.

## Education Night

Mesa Lodge is hosting an open Masonic Education Study Group the second Thursday of each month at 6 PM at the Grand Junction Masonic Center.

The group will use the Master Craftsman materials from the Scottish Rite. You do not need to be in the Scottish Rite to join the study group.

**Open to all Master Masons.**

For more information please contact  
W. Bro. Gregory Foster (505) 350-0197 or  
Phelanwolf75@gmail.com



## Grand Junction Temple Association

Hello Brothers, Ladies, and Friends,

The Temple Board met on March 8th at 1830 hrs. This is a reminder that Board meetings are open meetings. Please join us if you choose.

The damaged interior ceiling tiles are scheduled to be replaced starting Saturday 25th.

Old pianos and old organs for your home, church, or office are free for the taking. If you have a trailer these items need to be taken to dump. I will soon hire someone to take them to dump if no-one wants one of these antiques, or takes them to dump.

For those who do not have good balance, and need some fun exercise join fellow Masons and families, of any age, Tai Chi classes that will be offered at the Center.

Contact me, Linn (970) 234-0444 for more information.

Besure to join me again next Month for another exciting Temple Board report

**Bro. Linn Armstrong**

**President | Grand Junction Masonic Temple Association**

Seniors: Here's an idea for getting the best tax break from your charitable gifts. If you are receiving mandatory distributions from a standard IRA (not a 401K) you can get a tax deduction you would not otherwise receive by making what is called a Qualified Charitable Donation (QCD) from your mandatory IRA distribution.

If you itemize your tax deductions, then qualified charitable gifts are tax deductible. But the catch is that most of us don't itemize. We take the standard deduction of \$27,700 for marrieds or \$13,850 for singles so our gifts to charity get us zilch in tax savings. But if you make a charitable gift from your IRA you get to have our cake and eat it too! You get to take the standard deduction, and the charitable gift from your IRA is not counted as taxable income.

Have a 401K instead of an IRA? You can't make a qualified charitable donation from the 401K but you can create an IRA, roll the funds into it and make the QCD from the IRA.

There are lots of rules you need to follow but your tax advisor will be able to lead you through the forest – or just Goggle “How Qualified Charitable Donations/Distributions (QCDs) Work.” Now, let's think about giving to Masonic Charity!

# Palisade Lodge No. 125



Palisade Lodge No. 125 was Chartered September 17, 1907. Meets the 1st Saturday of the month in Lodge Room 1 of the Grand Junction Masonic Center

Greetings Brethren,

Our last month was filled with lots of events, some good and some not so good. We lost a dear brother and friend with the passing of Bro. David Krogh. We were informed that when the days turn warmer we will be able to say our proper good byes to him. As soon as we have a definite date, you will all be informed.

Some of the good events were that we now have a date for the Raising of our brother Nicholas Eglet. I want to take the time to thank everyone that has stepped up and helped us make sure it is going to happen. Our final practice will be on March 23rd and the Raising will be on March 25th.

That will be followed by our joint communication with Fruita Lodge where we will be hosting breakfast for them and the Grand Lodge officers including our Most Worshipful Grand Master Ross Allen. This will be a fun time as always. Please be at the lodge to help cook breakfast by 7:30AM. We will be serving at 9 AM and lodge will open at 10 AM.

One other thing I need you all to be thinking about is if we want to go dark this year or not. We will need to vote on this at our next regular communication.

Hope your spring is going well and that you are all in good health.

**Harry Clark**  
**Worshipful Master**



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If you're interested contact us at [Info@masonicFamilyGJ.org](mailto:Info@masonicFamilyGJ.org) or call us at (970) 245-2277 to make arrangements.

## Palisade Lodge No. 125 Officers

<b>Worshipful Master</b>	Harry Clark (PM) (970) 986-9315
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Naaman Morehouse (970) 250-0942
<b>Junior Warden</b>	James Krogh (PM) (970) 260-3773
<b>Secretary</b>	Chad Davis (970) 312-4714
<b>Treasurer</b>	David Krogh (970) 314-9664
<b>Senior Deacon</b>	Tom Verdieck (PM) (970) 270-8504
<b>Junior Deacon</b>	Don Halford (970) 250-4277
<b>Tiler</b>	Jason Gaskill (970) 270-2386
<b>Chaplain</b>	Chris Eglet (970) 640-4986



# Grand Junction Lodge No. 173



Grand Junction Lodge No. 173  
Chartered: January 23, 1952

Meets the 2nd Friday of the month  
in Lodge Room 1 of the Grand  
Junction Masonic Center at 7:30 PM,  
with dinner before lodge at 6:30 PM.

Dark: July & August

Brethren,

At our last communication we had the pleasure of having our new Entered Apprentices in attendance as well as a good turnout of Master Masons.

We had discussions about Corner Stones and Scholarships which we will continue at our next communication. These topics are important and we were given a directive by the Grand Master at his last visit.

I am looking forward to our next Stated Communications. As many of you who can attend please do so.

**Craig Miller**  
**Worshipful Master**

## GJ Lodge No. 173 Officers

<b>Worshipful Master</b>	Craig Miller (PM) (970) 241-0997
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Darrell Manroe (816) 500-1550
<b>Junior Warden</b>	Nathaniel Pavlisick (970) 242-1584
<b>Secretary</b>	Mike Briscoe (PM) (970) 433-6766
<b>Treasurer</b>	Linn Armstrong (970) 234-0444
<b>Senior Deacon</b>	Austin Pitts (864) 784-4825
<b>Junior Deacon</b>	Cole Rath (970) 778-1939
<b>Tiler</b>	Gary Brewer (970) 241-5842
<b>Marshal</b>	Steven Ganskow (970) 640-7433



# Fruita Masonic Lodge No. 120



Hello Brethren,

As most of you know by now that David Krogh passed away March 11, 2023. Our prayers go out to his wife, Iris and his son, Jimmy. Funeral arrangements will be forthcoming.

Unfortunately, the annual St. Patrick's Day Luncheon was canceled, due to street construction on the west street side of our building in Fruita. The construction blocked the entrance to both front and back door to our lodge. Thankfully, we have now been assured by the City Manager that concrete will be poured today, March 17th, 2023, and that access to the main door will be available for our stated meeting on Tuesday, March 21st. There will be dinner (by Mike Murphy) at 6pm followed by tiled lodge at 7pm.

The Joint Communications of Fruita Masonic Lodge with Palisades Lodge will be on Saturday, April 1st, at the Consistory. Breakfast is at 9 AM and Lodge will be at 10 Am. All brethren are welcome to come.

The Colorado Masonic Band Camp for five days is held June 30 to July 4, 2023, Fruita Masonic Lodge will be Dark July and August

May Peace and Harmony prevail in all that we do.

**Naaman Moorehouse**  
**Worshipful Master**

## Fruita Lodge No. 120 Officers

<b>Worshipful Master</b>	Naaman Moorehouse (970) 433-5570
<b>Senior Warden</b>	John Groves (PM) (970) 261-5189
<b>Junior Warden</b>	Mike Murphy (970) 640-5570
<b>Secretary</b>	Glen Phelps (PM) (970) 390-7146
<b>Treasurer</b>	Jimmy McBride (PM) (970) 683-1957
<b>Senior Deacon</b>	Jeff Koenig (PM) (970) 318-1004
<b>Tiler</b>	Lee Anderson (970) 846-8493

Fruita Lodge No. 120  
Chartered: September 21, 1904

Meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 106 N. Mulberry St Fruita, CO, 81521 at 7:00 PM, with a dinner before lodge at 6:00 PM

Dark: July & August

### 2023 Dinner Assignments

January.....Naaman Moorehouse  
February.....Gary Weiszbrod  
March.....Mike Murphy  
April.....Jim McBride  
May.....Glen Phelps  
June.....Lee Anderson  
July.....Dark (No Meeting)  
August.....All-Masonic Picnic  
September.....Glen Phelps  
October.....Glen Phelps & Jeff Koenig  
November.....Naaman Moorehouse  
December.....Gary Weiszbrod

## Early Bird Breakfast



Every Friday, 8 AM Strayhorn Grill in Fruita. All Masons welcome.

456 Kokopelli Blvd,  
Fruita, CO 81521  
Phone: (970) 858-1525

# Western Colorado Shrine Club



Hello Nobles and Friends,

Everyone should be aware by now that Noble David Krogh has passed away from injuries sustained during a fall earlier this year. There is no word yet on when the service will be. Once we have more information I will be sure that it gets sent out to all of our members.

I wanted to thank everyone that came out to the IHOP in Grand Junction on International Pancake Day to raise money for Shriners Children's Salt Lake City. Together, we raised over twelve hundred dollars. Though it was a long day, it was worthwhile and everyone had lots of fun- especially my wife who got to throw a pie in my face because one table made a one-hundred-dollar donation.

Parade season is starting up for us. This year we will participate in the Grand Junction Memorial Day, July 4th, and Veterans Day Parades, and the Palisade Peach Festival and Fruita Fall Festival parades.

I have asked Timbo the Clown to reach out to Jordan Circus to check into getting the Shrine Circus back to Grand Junction this year. Every year I hear from non-Shriners "when will the Circus be back". So I want to make the circus one of our top priorities this year.

Who wants to make a club trip out to Shriners Children's in Salt Lake City? I have asked our Hospital Coordinator Daran Mahoney to reach out to the hospital to see what requirements, if any, are needed for us to visit. My initial thoughts are to make a weekend trip out of this sometime in late spring or early summer.

I need your help. I want everyone to think of two fundraising opportunities that the WCSC can do this year. One for the Club and one for Shriners Children's Salt Lake City. Ideas I've heard so far include a raffle, a car show with BBQ, a steak and cigar event, and a whiskey and cigar event. You can come to the next board meeting or call, text, or email me your suggestions and the Board will look at them at our meeting in April.

I want to remind everyone that we have a Happy Hour on the third Saturday of each month at Scotland Yard Cigar & Spirits in Grand Junction. Our next Happy Hour is Saturday, April 15th from 4-6 PM. This event is open to Nobles and their ladies, friends, family, and prospective Members. Also, our next Board Meeting will be on Tuesday, April 11th at 11:45 AM at the Grand Vista Hotel Restaurant. All Nobles are encouraged to attend the Board Meeting.

My goal for the year is to have fun and grow the club. I can't do it alone, I need your help. We'd like to get more Blue Lodge Members to don the Fez and more fun activities are a great way to do that! Come to the monthly Happy Hour and our Board Meetings and let's make this year awesome.

**Gregory Foster,**  
**President Western Colorado Shrine Club**

The Western Colorado Shrine Club meets at the Grand Vista Hotel Restaurant the second Tuesday of each month (except July and August) at 11:45 AM.

For more information please visit [www.ElJabelShrine.org](http://www.ElJabelShrine.org)



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## Grand Junction York Rite Bodies

The Grand Junction and Delta York Rite bodies will have an exciting month of April, as all three heads of the state will be making their official visits.

We will start off with our own Chad Rilling who is the Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons. The Regional Official Visit will be on April 8 from 9:00 to Noon with a lunch following at the Grand Junction Masonic Center. This is both an official visit and an educational day. I am sure you

will get much out of it

Next, we will host Sir Knight Ron Birely RE Grand Commander on Wednesday April 19, 2023, with a joint meeting of Delta and Grand Junction Commanderies. Delta will host the event at the Hotchkiss Masonic Temple starting with dinner at 6:00 PM with the Ladies. This will be a full ten man opening and everyone's help would be appreciated.

Finally, the Most Illustrious Grand Master Lyle Wilkes of the Grand Council will have a Regional Official visit 9:00 AM on Saturday April 29, 2023, at the Grand Junction Masonic Center. Lunch will follow.

We will be having our regular meeting during the month and using this time for practices on the opening ritual work.

- Wednesday April 5, 2023 Council opening in Hotchkiss 7:30 PM
- Monday April 10, 2023 Commandery Opening in Grand Junction 7:30 PM

We hope all York Rite Masons can participate in these events.

Scott Wilson - High Priest  
 Michael Briscoe - Thrice Illustrious Master  
 Jeff Bush - Eminent Commander

Day	Event
5-Apr	Council Meeting and opening practice   7:30 PM Hotchkiss
8-Apr	Regional Official Visit by Grand High Priest   9 AM Grand Junction
10-Apr	Commandery Meeting and opening practice   7:30 PM Grand Junction
19-Apr	Dinner with ladies and official visit by Grand Commander   6 PM Hotchkiss
29-Apr	Grand Chapter Regional Official Visit   9 AM Grand Junction

The Grand Junction York Rite bodies meet on the second Monday of each month at the Grand Junction Masonic Center at 7:30 PM. For more information, please visit [www.YorkRite.org](http://www.YorkRite.org) or contact Jeff Bush at (970) 623-3651.



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## Sunshine Chapter No. 53 (O.E.S)

April starts with bunnies for Sunshine #53. We will be hosting our Annual Friendship Night Potluck on April 4. I am asking all OES members who attend to bring a bunny to visit. (Hopefully NOT live!)

April 18th we will exemplify our second Initiation. We are required to do at least two per year. Practice is good!

Eastern Star would like to extend our sympathy to the family of David Krogh. He was an outstanding Mason and good friend to many.

I thought that I would make you aware of our State and International projects:

Fisher House Foundation builds comfort homes where military & veteran families can stay free of charge, while a loved one is in the hospital. Fisher Houses have up to 21 suites, with private bedrooms and baths. Families share a common kitchen, laundry facilities, a warm dining room, and an inviting living room. Fisher House Foundation also operates the Hero Miles program, using donated frequent flyer miles to bring family members to the bedside of injured service members as well as the Hotels for Heroes program using donated hotel points to allow family members to stay at hotels near medical centers without charge. The Foundation also manages a grant program that supports other charities and scholarship funds for military children, spouses, and children of fallen and disabled veterans. [VHAECHFisherHouse@va.gov](mailto:VHAECHFisherHouse@va.gov).

Our General Grand Chapter is a supporter of the Service Dogs program. We provide financial assistance to Freedom Service Dogs in Englewood, CO. Sunshine #53. If you are interested in looking into providing supplies for this organization, [here](#) is a link to their wish list.

Have a lovely April. Take care of yourselves.

**Nancy Eriksen**  
**Worth Matron**

## Masonic Education

### WEBB'S AMERICAN RITUAL by Dr. Bing Johnson

The first thirteen Grand Lodges had been organized and were using rituals which were not only divergent among the different states but among the lodges of each state. Itinerant lecturers such as Barney, Cushman, Fowle, Wilson, Vinton and Snow traveled widely lecturing and conferring side degrees until the middle of the 19th century. Each lecturer used his own style and source material.

A common unified ritual could probably only have been established and maintained by a Nation General Grand Loge. But American Freemasons have always resisted that idea. There have been several attempts to promote uniformity of the ritual. The most notable was the Baltimore Convention of 1843. John Marshall and Henry Clay made a serious attempt to establish a National Grand Lodge in 1822 but Grand Lodges turned a deaf ear on the idea. Rob Morris also sought to unify the American ritual. He eliminated what he considered to be errors in Webb's work and published a small volume called MNEMONICS in cipher which contained the three degrees in 1858. He too failed.

It is unlikely that there will ever be a uniform ritual in the United States. However, this does not seem to have caused any great inconvenience. In fact one finds that by visiting lodges in various jurisdictions that the work of other jurisdictions is interesting and some times better than the work in our own jurisdiction.

For well over 200 years American Freemasonry has relied on a ritual crafted largely by Thomas Smith Webb. Even though he had an enormous influence on our ritual, as well as that of the Royal Arch and Knights Templar, parts of his life are poorly documented and he is relatively unknown to most of us.

Thomas Smith Webb was born Oct 30, 1771 as the sixth child of Samuel and Margaret Webb. At the age of 15 he graduated from the Boston Public Latin School in 1786 and became apprenticed to a printer and bookbinder. By 1790 he moved to Keene, NH and became a bookbinder and stationer. The records of Rising Sun Lodge show that he was initiated an Entered Apprentice on Dec. 24, 1790 at a cost of £ 3-6. On Dec. 27 he was passed to the degree of Fellow Craft and raised to the degree of a Master Mason. Immediately he was appointed steward. This was in a span of only three days!

On July 6, 1791 records show Bro. Webb requested that he be discontinued as a member. On Aug. 13 he was readmitted. This sequence happened again in Mar. 1792. Why Webb

would disassociate himself from Rising Sun Lodge on two occasions has never been fully explained. A partial explanation may lie in the fact that the Grand Secretary of The Grand Lodge of New Hampshire wrote in 1889 that the charter of the Lodge was arrested in 1805 because of many glaring, flagrant and insufferable offenses, errors and irregularities For one thing Webb was only 19 years and two months old at the time he received the degrees.

Next he moved to Boston and opened a book store, stationary and bookbinding establishment. After a year he gave up the business and moved to Hartford, Conn. and formed a partnership to manufacture wall paper. The partnership was quickly dissolved.

Webb then moved to Albany, NY. There his business and book store prospered. In Dec 1793 he was elected secretary of Union Lodge No. 1. Webb and others wanted a Lodge in which the Royal Arch degree could be conferred so he helped form Temple Lodge in Sept. 1796 and was its Senior Warden. He became Master on Dec. 13, 1797.

Webb married Patty Hopkins in 1797. She died in 1807, leaving four children. In 1808 he married Patty's sister, Mehitabel.

Again, he moved. This time to Providence, RI where he opened a book and wallpaper store in 1799. Webb affiliated with St. John's Lodge No. 1. He was among those who revised the Constitution of The Grand Lodge of Rhode Island in 1801. Even though he had not held office in St. John's Lodge he was elected Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island in 1802 and Senior Grand Warden in 1803. On June 6, 1813 he was elected Grand Master. He declined re election in 1815.

Grand Master Webb presided over an extraordinary communication of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island. On Oct. 3, 1814 a large number of Rhode Island and Massachusetts Masons marched and built a fort called "Fort Hiram" for the defense of Rhode Island. It was presented as a gift to the governor. This feat of operative masonry is remarkable when the public controversy over the War of 1812 is considered. Webb was able to bring men of divergent views together though out his Masonic career because he knew that a leader must get things done through other people.

For several months he traveled through out Ohio and Pennsylvania on Templary and personal business affairs. But his business enterprises suffered severe set backs and his financial straits were dire.

Sadly, he died on July 6, 1819 at Cleveland Ohio, probably as a result of a cerebral hemorrhage and was buried with Masonic rites. He was re-interred in Providence, RI with Masonic rites by the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island. Again, in 1862 he was re-interred at the

Thomas Smith Webb Memorial in Providence.

His role in the structure and ritual of the Royal Arch and the Knights Templar were very significant. But, that is for another time.

Webb's most remarkable and extraordinary achievement was the publication of The Freemasons Monitor, or, Illustrations of Masonry in two parts first printed in Albany for Spencer and Webb in 1792. This was the first book to include seven degrees. Webb it clear that this book wasn't only for Masons, but for any one else interested in the society.

Webb sought to embellish, abbreviate and rearrange William Preston's Illustrations of Masonry. He knew Preston's original ritual was far to long. Indeed the entire Preston ritual has never been used anywhere. He gave Preston full credit for the ritual of the first three degrees. Webb's reorganization and adaptation of Preston's lectures became the foundation of the ritual in most of the United States, selling more than 16,000 copies in 10 years. The "Monitor" went through eight editions in his life time.

No Webb texts appeared for thirty years as a result of the Morgan affair. In 1858 and 1859 editions revised by Enoch Terry Carson, Rob Morris and George W. Chase were published. All three were re-issued repeatedly and were explicitly said to be "compiled from Webb." It was clear that in one form or another Webb's "Monitor" has proven useful to American Masonry for over 200 years.

1. Webb, T. S., The Freemasons Monitor, or, Illustrations of Masonry. In two parts, facsimile reprint of the first edition, published in Albany, NY, by Spencer and Webb. 1797, The Masonic Book Club, v 27, 1996.
2. Coil, H. W., Conversation on Freemasonry, Transactions of The Missouri Lodge of Research, v 32, p 98, 1979.
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# Rainbow Assembly No. 12

Learning Leadership through service since 1922

**Do not be impressed by: money, followers, degrees, and titles.**  
**Do be impressed by: kindness, integrity, humility, and generosity**

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All regular meetings meet at Masonic Center from 7-8:30 PM unless you girls decide otherwise. We wear dresses or skirts at all of our regular meetings unless stated otherwise because of weather or activities. We need to include Raindrops and potential members at all Service and Fun Events. Please volunteer to bring refreshments at least once in the next 3 months.

## Rainbow Reminders

- Monday April 3rd: Regular Meeting. I will have to submit names of girls who would like to serve in Grand Assembly, Appointments, Representatives, Page, Choir. May be able to have one officer.
- Friday, April 14th: Serve the Masons 6-7:15 PM, need two volunteers.
- Monday, April 17th: Regular Meeting.
- Monday May 1st: Regular meeting
- Friday, May 12th: Serve the Masons 6-7:15 PM, need two volunteers.
- Monday, May 15th: Regular Meeting
- Monday, June 5th: regular Meeting

## Grand Assembly

Wednesday, June 14th through Sunday June 18th  
Loveland, Colorado

We will leave Wednesday afternoon and Grand Assembly starts at 8 AM Thursday morning, and we will be back Sunday evening.

This will be Deirdre's and Tess's last Rainbow event as a girl as they will be honored with their Majority. Assembly No. 12 will be hosting a guest from Ohio. The agenda will be released as we get closer to the event.

Assembly will try to pay for at least half of the costs and the girls will be rooming together (2 rooms). All girls serving as an Officer or Representative for Grand Assembly need to pay for half of their Grand Assembly Dress (\$60). Grand Assembly has paid the other half.

We will be planning Spring events for our own fun and to share with others. Maybe a mother/daughter tea (brunch), or a dad teach girls about car care event, a cooking event.....

There is a chance the Western Colorado Shrine Club is going to bring back the Shrine Circus to Grand Junction. We have helped with that in the past, before COVID, so they may ask us again. It has been at the end of May in the past. Don't know, just a heads up.

Ask a friend to come join us in our service and fun events. Let your friends know that you belong to a sorority of great friends who become sisters for life!

Sorority [sə' rōrədē] | NOUN | NORTH AMERICA : A society for female students in a university or college, or in our case age 11-20, with common interests and goals.

For more information on The International Order of Rainbow for Girls please visit [www.iorgcolorado.org](http://www.iorgcolorado.org).

# Grand Junction Scottish Rite Consistory

## Calendar 2023



- Consistory
- Rose Croix Chapter
- Lodge of Perfection
- Council

### 2023 Calendar of Dinners & Meetings

April 17th | Lodge - Salad Bar 6:30 pm; Stated Meeting 7:30 pm

### Events

Scottish Rite Reunion - May 5th-6th at the Grand Junction Masonic Center

May 15th | Chapter - Ceremony of Remembrance; Dinner 6:30 PM; Ceremony 7:30 PM (Public Invited)

Summer Picnic - June 19th 5:30 PM at the Grand Junction Masonic Center Patio

### Grand Junction Scottish Rite

Lee Anderson, 32°	<b>Orator</b>
Randy Melton, 32°	<b>Almoner</b>
Jeffrey Bush, 32° KCCH	<b>Treasurer</b>
Jimmy McBride, 33°	<b>Tiler</b>
Wayne Quade, 32°	<b>Prelate</b>
William Nickell, 33°	<b>Secretary</b>

### Need to contact the Consistory?

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## John Groves 33° Personal Representative

Montrose Lodge of Perfection	
Gregory Foster, 32°	Venerable Master
Harry Clark, 32°	Senior Warden
Chris Eglet, 32°	Junior Warden
Ian Huges, 32°	Master of Ceremonies
Darrell Manroe, 32°	Expert
Tim Claypool, 32°	Captain of the Host

Glenwood Chapter of Rose Croix	
John Groves, 33°	Wise Master
Joe Wells, 32° KCCH	Senior Warden
Jason Kohles, 32°	Junior Warden
Randy Melton, 32°	Master of Ceremonies
Andrew Weber, 32°	Expert
Andrew Be, 32°	Guardian of the Temple

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William Marshall, 33°	Chancellor
Andrew Brewer, 32°	Captain of the Guard



## SCOTTISH RITE SPRING REUNION 2023

Do you know a brother who would like to become a Scottish Rite Mason?

Contact us for a petition – gjaasr@mac.com

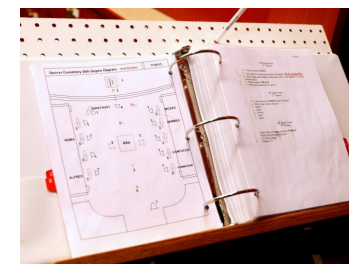
## SPRING REUNION (Our 86th)

May 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023

THE DEGREES TO BE EXEMPLIFIED ARE:

4,14,18,30,32

*ANOTHER OPORTUNITY TO REUNITE WITH YOUR BROTHERS!  
 REVISIT THE TEACHINGS.*



### Organization

**Preparation:**  
 SR Members willing to Help with the Reunion?  
 Contact:  
 aasrsecretary@mac.com



Grand Junction Masonic Center

**First line signer incentive program.** Three petitions in a calendar year will pay your membership for a year. If you are a life member then it entitles you to receive stated meeting dinners for a year.

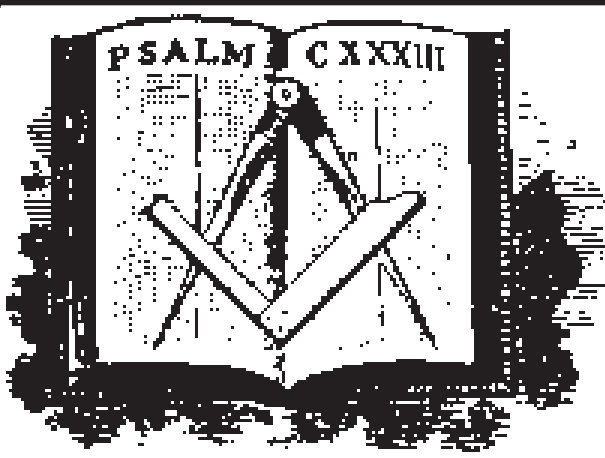


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## Entered Apprentice Degree

Mesa Lodge No. 55 will be putting on an EA Degree on Thursday, April 20th at 7 PM in Lodge Room 1 of the Grand Junction Masonic Center.

All Masons are welcome to attend.

## More Light in Masonry

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.org](http://www.MasonicFamilyGJ.org)
- [www.ColoradoFreeMasons.org](http://www.ColoradoFreeMasons.org)
- [www.ScottishRite.org](http://www.ScottishRite.org)
- [www.YorkRite.org](http://www.YorkRite.org)
- [www.Shrinersinternational.org](http://www.Shrinersinternational.org)
- [www.EasternStar.org](http://www.EasternStar.org)
- [www.OES-Colorado.org](http://www.OES-Colorado.org)
- [www.GoRainbow.org](http://www.GoRainbow.org)
- [www.IORGColorado.org](http://www.IORGColorado.org)
- [www.DeMolay.org](http://www.DeMolay.org)
- [www.ColoradoDeMolay.org](http://www.ColoradoDeMolay.org)
- [www.FreeMasonryToday.com](http://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



## Joint Communication

Fruita Masonic Lodge 120 & Palisade Lodge No. 125 will be having a pancake breakfast and joint communication on Saturday, April 1st.

Breakfast at 9 AM & Lodge at 10 AM

## Food Bank Donations

Mesa Lodge is collecting donatins for the Bethel Assembly of God Food Bank until June 1st. You can mail your donations to Mesa Lodge No. 55 at P.O. Box 4794, Grand Junction, CO 81502.



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