

Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Colorado AF&AM

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From the Desk of the Grand Master



Greetings Brethren All,

VOTE!

On November 3, 2020 the election for the office of President of the United States will be held. Voter turnout from 1972 – 2016 has ranged from 49% (1996) to 57.1% (2008). Voter turnout in 2005 in Iraq was 70% after Saddam Hussein was removed from power. In 1960 the turnout was 62.8% with the difference between the winner (John F. Kennedy) and the loser, Richard Nixon of only 0.17% in the popular vote. The difference was 112,827 votes. My brothers, there are still over one million Freemasons in the United States: certainly we can make a difference, will we? In 1996 the “decisive victory” of William J. Clinton rested on 24.1% of the eligible electorate (49.2% of the 49% of eligible voters voting). In that election Clinton’s nearest competitor, Bob Dole,

received 40.7% of the votes cast. My point? Election outcomes are being decided by a minority of the eligible voters. Over the course of the next thirty three days I urge you to study the issues, study the candidates, and vote for the good of the nation. Do not rely on sound bites, biased “reporting”, and 30 second campaign ads to decide the future of our nation. At no time in history has it been more important to make your voice heard.

Two days after I send this newsletter we will hold the deferred budget communication to set the budget for the 2021 Masonic year. As you know we are limited to one delegate per lodge due to continuing COVID-19 restrictions. I am grateful for the opportunity to have the in person meeting at Hotel Elegaté in Colorado Springs so that the brethren may make their voices heard on the financial future of the Grand Lodge.

Several lodges have commenced meeting

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within the constraints of the municipal, county, and state guidelines for the ongoing pandemic. In some cases outdoor lodges are being held or lodges are requesting dispensation to move to venues other than their normal meeting location to fit within social distancing guidelines. I applaud the efforts of the lodge leadership to resume the work of the craft under the constraints currently imposed on us. Please remember, participation in lodge activities is an individual decision. If a brother or brothers feel their personal circumstance precludes their attendance in person due to health concerns and the ongoing pandemic it is incumbent

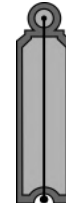
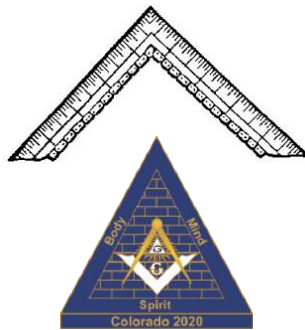
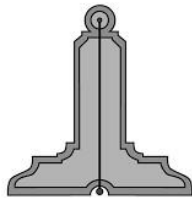
upon the lodge to keep those brothers informed and engaged through email, telephone calls, and teleconferenced educational meetings and discussions.

I call upon all Freemasons in the jurisdiction to reflect the precepts brotherly love, relief, and truth in your daily lives. Seek out and help those in need, draw comfort from the teachings of the craft, and live exemplary lives worthy of emulation in society.

Fraternally,

David L. Coberly

Grand Master of Masons in Colorado - 2020



Calendar of Grand Lodge Events

Scheduled events are subject to change or cancellation and attendance may be limited due to ongoing public health orders. Please check with the host lodge to confirm events and availability.

Tue Oct 6, 2020

6pm OV @ Montrose Lodge No. 63

Where: 187 Rose Ln, Montrose, CO 81401, USA

Description: 6:00pm dinner 7:00pm Lodge Meeting Please RSVP to Bill Nickell bbnickell1234@gmail.com.

Wed Oct 7, 2020

6pm OV @ Weston Lodge No. 22

Where: 5718 S Rapp St, Littleton, CO 80120, USA

Description: 6:00pm Dinner 7:00pm Stated Communication with open meeting to follow with 50 and 70 year awards. RSVP to Thayne Coulter stc105@msn.com

Thu Oct 15, 2020

6:30pm Joint OV with Rico and Cortez

Where: 304 E 1st St, Cortez, CO 81321, USA

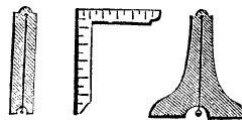
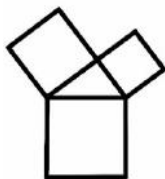
Description: 6:30 pm Dinner 7:30 pm Lodge meeting Please RSVP to Bruce Koons at rkoons9542@msn.com by October 8th, 2020 they need to know how much food to cook for the dinner.

Thu Oct 22, 2020

7pm OV @ Silver State Lodge No. 95

Where: 126 Broadway Ave, Pueblo, CO 81004, USA

Description: No Dinner just meeting.



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Tue Oct 27, 2020

7pm OV @ Centurion Lodge No. 195

Where: 18275 Furrow Rd, Monument, CO 80132, USA

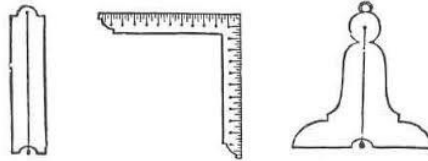
Description: 6:00pm meet at the Lodge 6:20 pm Dinner \$10.00 7:00 pm stated communication with OV and awards. RSVP to Jim Barager teenajim1@aol.com

Thu Nov 19, 2020

6:30pm Monte Vista Lodge No. 73 Annual Venison Banquet (Not a OV)

Where: 40 Batterson St, Monte Vista, CO 81144, USA

Description: Dinner @ 6:30PM Our annual venison banquet will be Thursday November 19th. Always the Thursday before Thanksgiving.



"To educate a person in the mind but not in morals is to educate a menace to society."
 Brother Theodore Roosevelt

"Work and live to serve others, to leave the world a little better than you found it and garner for yourself as much peace of mind as you can. This is happiness."
 Brother David Sarnoff

Abe Lincoln Leadership Quotes

"Courage is not the absence of fear. It is going forward with the face of fear."

-Abraham Lincoln

"With public sentiment, nothing can fail. Without it, nothing can succeed."

-Abraham Lincoln

"Commitment is what transforms a promise into reality."

-Abraham Lincoln

"Tact is the ability to describe others as they see themselves."

-Abraham Lincoln

"The best way to destroy an enemy is to make him a friend."

-Abraham Lincoln

"Be with a leader when he is right, stay with him when he is still right, but, leave him when he is wrong."

-Abraham Lincoln

"Always bear in mind that your own resolution to succeed is more important than any other thing."

-Abraham Lincoln

"To give victory to the right, not bloody bullets, but peaceful ballots only, are necessary."

-Abraham Lincoln

"You have to do your own growing no matter how tall your grandfather was."

-Abraham Lincoln

"Success is going from failure to failure without losing your enthusiasm."

-Abraham Lincoln

"You cannot escape the responsibility of tomorrow by evading it today."

-Abraham Lincoln

"I have always found that mercy bears richer fruits than strict justice."

-Abraham Lincoln

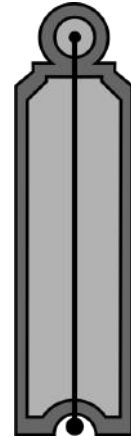
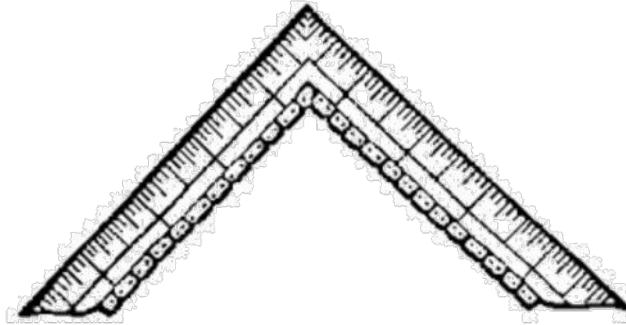
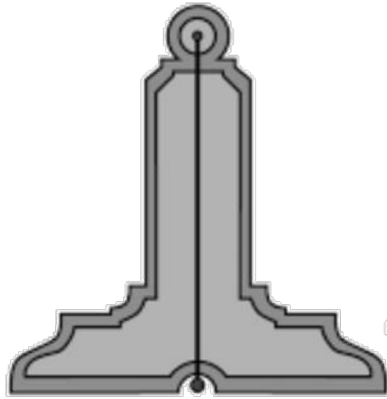
"I can make more generals, but horses cost money"

-Abraham Lincoln

"The best way to predict your future is to create it."

-Abraham Lincoln





If your lodge is having special events or activities please send the information to the Grand Master (grandmaster@coloradofreemasons.org) and the Grand Secretary (grandsecretary@coloradofreemasons.org) so that it can be included in the next edition of the newsletter.

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COLORADO MASONS - SPREAD THE WORD ON YOUR SOCIAL MEDIA, AND WITH YOUR FRIENDS AND ACQUAINTANCES ABOUT A NEW WEBSITE ABOUT MASONRY: BEAFREEMASON.ORG

Your Grand Lodge Office has resumed normal operations. However, we request minimal traffic to reduce the risk of COVID-19 infection. Thank you.

