



# Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Colorado AF&AM

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## From the Desk of the Grand Master

**My Dear Brothers,**

The lodge is a microcosm of the world around us. It is made up of individuals who live in, work and operate in much larger setting, and we feel the effects of being at the cross roads between the ideals we teach and practical, everyday living.

Once again, I must encourage all Masons in the state to be knowledgeable of the upcoming changes to virus related restrictions that will be coming out shortly. These changes should open up even more counties in the state and help us to continue the process of being open, effective and better situated to resume



A much younger Grand Master being installed as a Worshipful Master, 10 years ago.

more normal business. This opening up does not mean we throw out the window all health-related protocol – some practical health things will need to still be used (masks in certain situations, limits to total numbers in groups...). Our state is actively working to help businesses and groups like us to regain our normalcy, but take notice that if an upsurge happens in cases and deaths; the situation will change back to previous restrictions.

This last month, your Grand Lodge officers did two cornerstones in Canon City and started our in person Official Visits. We had about 240 visitors at the cornerstone ceremonies and it felt good to see community members participate with us in these events. For a number of years now, we have been seeing new schools being built in rural and mountain communities. This is good and



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these buildings will go a long way in helping their communities and all the kids who attend them for years to come. Looks like we may have an active cornerstone year! A few of the planned ceremonies are left overs from last year when they could not be done or the groups felt it would be better to wait on them. A growing number are asking for dates for scheduling future ceremonies, which we are glad to see. And, if all things work out, we will be presenting an 80 year award not too far in the future. I think the Brother is 107!

Cornerstone ceremonies are much more than just a play we put on for the community. They have a special place in our history and if done right; are purposeful and good. Every time I think of the corn, wine and oil, I think of the scene in “It is a Wonderful Life”, when the main character and his wife help celebrate a new home for one of their bank’s members. They present bread, oil and salt – a variation of what we do as a simple

blessing. (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ooMTzF73JzI>) This is an ancient ceremony that I have seen in various forms – a Native American blessing for a new lodge, Irish blessings for a home and all that come in are just a few.

I am also seeing requests for possible out of state degree teams to come to our state, various table lodges to meet and requests for different dispensations that should make this year a fun, exciting time. My schedule is filling in and some travel will be happening for our Grand Lodge officers. We will be attending the Rocky Mountain Masonic Conference this year in Arizona. Just as local lodges are seeing more opportunities to do things, we are seeing it on a larger level too.

We are also seeing the impact of what is going on in our world affect our individual lodges. Besides virus restrictions; fear, changing views on society, progress in race and culture and

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political upheaval are showing up in some lodges. Things which you would think would not be found, are popping up and causing us problems. Masonry is far ahead of our culture in working out race and political problems. We have recently celebrated a 25 year old compact between us and our Prince Hall Brothers. We have members from many different backgrounds, religions and races. Our lodges should be a place where a diverse group of individuals come together and unite to work on ourselves and further our communities. We lay the ground rules where different views on religion, society

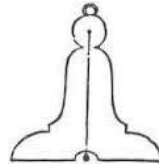
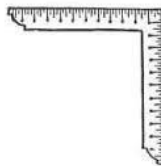
and politics can come together, meet and work together; let us continue that path.

Just as I started this section with the mention of us being a microcosm – I will finish with it too. Freemasonry has historically always been ahead of society in many ways, let us continue to do so. Let us set an example for those looking at us, which is good and not negative. And let us use who and what we are to do great things.

Fraternally,

**Michael D. Moore**

**Grand Master 2021**



# Calendar of Grand Lodge Events

To help your lodge plan your Official Visits and any dinners beforehand, please be aware that the Grand Master is not eating in public yet. This will change as restrictions and progress with the virus gets better.

**Mon Apr 19, 2021**

**6pm OV & Award Presentation @ Eureka Lodge No. 66**

**Where:** 387 Main St, Coal Creek, Colorado, USA

**Description:** 6:00 pm - dinner 7:00 pm - Lodge The presentation of Brother Moneymaker's 50 year pin will be held downstairs.

**Tue Apr 20, 2021**

**7pm Virtual GM Visit with South Denver Lodge No. 93**

**Description:** Virtual Grand Master Visit with South Denver Lodge No. 93.

**Sat Apr 24, 2021**

**12pm Cornerstone Upper Rio Grande School District**

**Where:** 950 French St, Del Norte, CO 81132, USA

**Sat May 1, 2021**

**10am OV @ Palisade Lodge No. 125**

**Where:** 2400 Consistory Ct, Grand Junction, CO 81501, USA

**Fri May 7, 2021**

**All day Wray Lodge No. 71 Proposed Cornerstone**

**Sat May 15, 2021**

**11:30pm OV & South Pueblo Lodge No. 31**

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

**Description:** 11:30am - Lunch 12:30pm - Open Meeting

**Tue May 25, 2021**

**6pm OV @ Centurion Lodge No. 195**

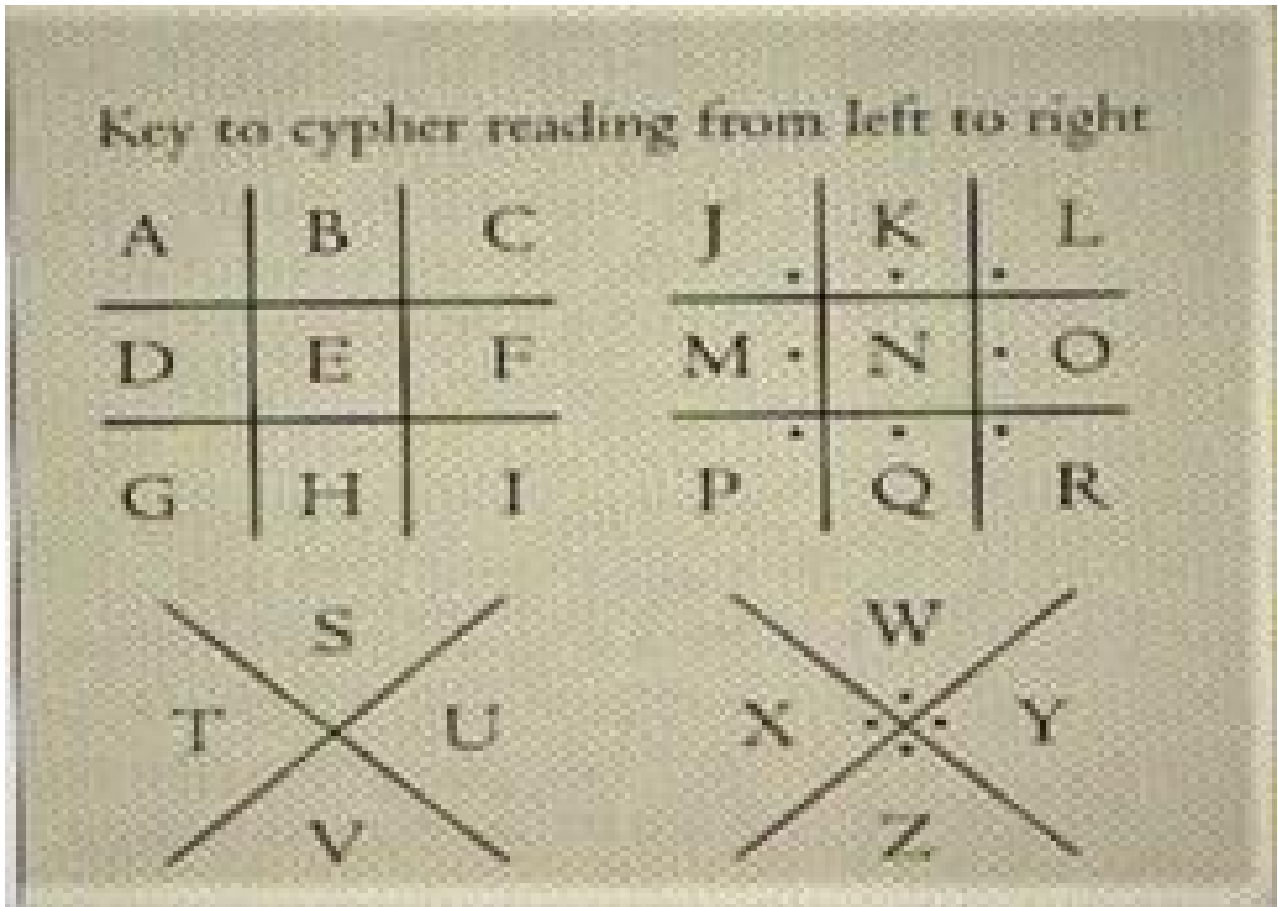
**Where:** 18275 Furrow Rd, Monument, CO 80132, USA

**Description:** 6:00 PM Dinner 7:00 PM Lodge Opens

**Sat May 29, 2021**

**All day Fort Morgan Cornerstone**

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**CMBFA EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP MATCHING GRANT AWARD -- 2021**

Lodge Name and Number: \_\_\_\_\_

1<sup>st</sup> Recipient Name: \_\_\_\_\_ High School Senior (Yes/No): \_\_\_\_\_

College or Institution: \_\_\_\_\_ Total amount of Lodge check: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> Recipient Name: \_\_\_\_\_ High School Senior (Yes/No): \_\_\_\_\_

College or Institution: \_\_\_\_\_ Total amount of Lodge check: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Please remember that students must be graduating Colorado public high school seniors and Enrolling in a Colorado School of higher education to be eligible for the matching grant program.) Best policy is to write the check to the student AND the school or to the school ONLY with the Student designated in the memo line.

Amount requested from Benevolent Fund (This amount will be half of the total amount of the Lodge check(s) in 1&2 above, Up to \$300.00). Note the total matching grant is \$300. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: THERE ARE TWO WAYS YOU MAY SUBMIT THE GRANT APPLICATION FORM:**

1) E-MAIL TO: [education@cmbfa.org](mailto:education@cmbfa.org), AND SEND NO LATER THAN JUNE 30, 2021.

Or 2) SEND BY MAIL TO THE SCHOLARSHIP ADMINISTRATOR AT:

**CMBFA SCHOLARSHIP ADMINISTRATOR, PO BOX 703, WESTMINSTER, CO 80036-0703 AND BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN JUNE 30, 2020 AND RECEIVED BY JULY 8, 2021.**

Lodge Secretary's name and mailing address ( reimbursement check will be sent to the Lodge Secretary.)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_



**Scottish Rite Golf Classic**  
 Benefiting Children's Hospital of Colorado, Scottish Rite Foundation  
 & Scottish Rite Masonic Center  
 "A Fund Raising/COVID Recovery/Networking Event"  
 August 20, 2021 - Willis Case Golf Course, Denver, CO



Sponsorships sign up now at  
[www.ScottishRiteGolf.Org](http://www.ScottishRiteGolf.Org)

[www.DenverConsistory.Org](http://www.DenverConsistory.Org)

If you love golf, you'll want to set aside August 20, 2021.

Forget the boring, all day long 4-person scramble! This truly unique event will feature:

- Multiple par 3 holes and hole in one prize opportunities
- Long drive and closest to pin contests
- Putting contest
- \$100,000 shootout following golf
- Delicious meals and beverages
- Team prizes and player gifts

This is an important fundraiser for our organization, so your participation and sponsorship will be much appreciated. Teams are \$500, each.

For registration and sponsorships information visit:

[www.ScottishRiteGolf.Org](http://www.ScottishRiteGolf.Org)

We expect a full field so register now!

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## *Meet Your Grand Lodge Officers*



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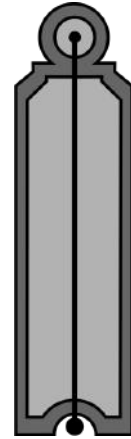
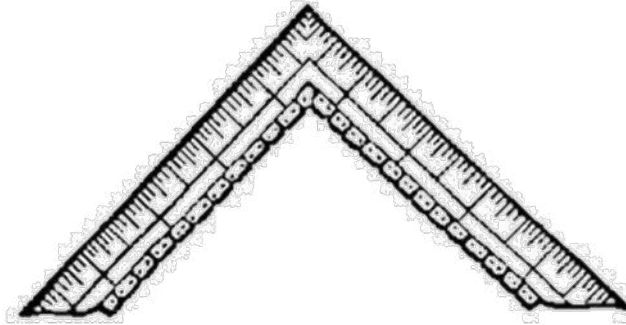
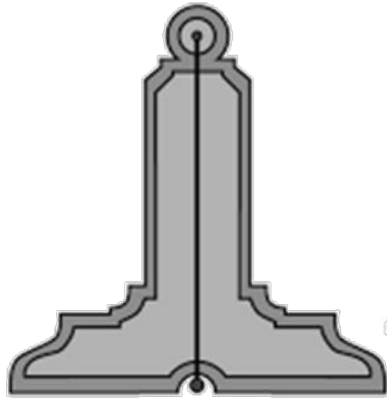
R.W.Bro. Ross A. Allen

**Senior Grand Warden**



R.W.Bro. David L. Reynolds

**Junior Grand Warden**



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

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Due to governmental restrictions your Grand Lodge Office is limiting the office to one person at a time and no outside visitors. The staff is alternating days in the office but when not in the office they will be working from home Thank you.

