



Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Colorado AF&AM

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From the Desk of the Grand Master

Brethren,

To be elected and installed as the Grand Master in this Grand Jurisdiction is the greatest honor that the Brethren can bestow. I am deeply conscious of the profound privilege and opportunity that election by the Brethren to this office affords to serve the Brethren of Colorado.

It is a humbling experience when I look back along the line of distinguished men and Masons that have occupied this office during the last century and a half.

For the past year, I have put my heart and soul into bettering Freemasonry in Colorado. Three areas were of utmost importance: 1) Masonic education, 2) Getting Brothers back into Lodges, and 3) ridding Colorado Freemasonry of the idea that those serving as Grand Lodge Officers are somehow better or more important than any other Brother. The Sublime Degree of Master Mason is the final and highest honor in Freemasonry, and

no title is worthy of anything more than being called "Brother."

Your loyalty, support, and dedication have been, and remain unquestionable, and for that I thank you from the bottom of my heart. May we continue our labor of strengthening Colorado Freemasonry.

The words of Chaucer adequately expresses my current sentiment: "The lyfe so short, the craft so long to learne." – which being translated into the vernacular is, "so much to do, so little time."

Yours in Brotherhood,

Raymond (Ray) H. Dunn, Jr.

Grand Master - 2022



Mark These Dates in Your Calendar

January 26-28, 2023

Grand Lodge of Colorado Annual Communication. 7801 E Orchard Rd, Greenwood Village, CO 80111. WM, SW, and JW of your lodge or their proxy have a vote at this meeting. Make sure your lodge is represented.

Registration Online: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/grand-lodge-of-colorado-afam-162nd-annual-communication-tickets-404987487477>

Lodging: DoubleTree Hilton Hotel Denver Tech Center
7801 E. Orchard Rd., Greenwood Village, CO 80111

Group rate for the Grand Lodge of Colorado

Phone: 303-779-6161

Group Name: "CDTGLC"

Friday, January 27

10:00am Opening of A Lodge of Master Masons by the Brethren of El Paso Lodge No. 13

11:30am Open Ballot for Election of Officers

12:30pm Close Ballot for Election of Officers

12:30pm LUNCH -(Men) Atrium

1:30pm Grand Lodge returns from lunch

5:00pm Open Installation 2023 Grand Lodge Officers *Citrus Ballroom Lobby Level*

7:00pm All Masonic Banquet

Saturday, January 28

8:30am Youth Group Ceremonies

10:00am Resume labors

Calendar of Grand Lodge Events

To help your lodge plan your Official Visits please note that activities will change as restrictions and progress with the virus gets better, or worse .

Sat Jan 7, 2023

6pm Deputy Grand Masters Roast

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

Description: MONTROSE LODGE NO. 63 PRESENTS A DGM ROAST IN HONOR OF RWB ROSS A. ALLEN

YOU AND YOUR LADY ARE INVITED TO A ROAST FOR OUR DEPUTY GRAND MASTER RWB ROSS A. ALLEN

MONTROSE LODGE NO. 63, 187 ROSE LANE, MONTROSE, CO 81401 6:00 PM
COST \$15.00

MENU: SPAGHETTI, SALAD, GARLIC BREAD, DESSERT AND DRINKS ROAST TO FOLLOW IN THE LODGE ROOM

JOIN US FOR A FUN AFTERNOON AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO SAY A FEW WORDS TO RWB ROSS!

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK PLEASE LET US KNOW SO WE CAN PUT YOU ON THE AGENDA CONTACT RWB WILLIAM MARSHALL TEXT OR CALL 970-260-5432 OR EMAIL METISSE@BRESNAN.NET!

PLEASE RSVP TO WB GREG ALLEN, TEXT OR CALL 970-270-7698, EMAIL GREGORYMALLEN@HOTMAIL.COM

Wed Jan 11, 2023

6pm—10pm Grand Lodge Master Mason Degree @Garfield Lodge No. 50

Where: 2029 CO-66, Longmont, CO 80504, USA

Description: 6:00 PM - Dinner

7:00 PM - Open Lodge

Dispense with regular Business

Do Third Degree Raising of Brother

Refreshments in between sections of the degree

Close Lodge

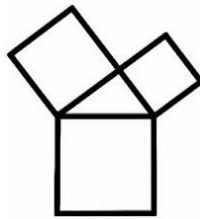
RSVP to John Culler @ jmc2185@mac.com Phone: 970-412-3272

Calendar of Grand Lodge Events (Continued)

Thu Jan 26 – Sat, Jan 28, 2023

162nd Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Colorado

Where: 7801 E Orchard Rd, Greenwood Village, CO 80111, USA



Submission Deadline

Articles and events that you want included in the newsletter are due to the Grand Master, or Grand Secretary, by the 25th of the month prior to the publication month.

Wanted: District Lecturers

apologies to RWB Townley for forgetting this last month (editor)

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Very Dear Brethren,

I wanted to reach out to the brethren of the Grand Lodge and let you know that there are a few positions open for District Lecturer. If you are interested, please contact me at: ktownley8@gmail.com or 720-988-7929.

These positions are in the following areas:

- Colorado Springs
- Denver
- Gunnison Valley
- Trinidad
- Lamar/Rocky Ford

Fraternally
Kevin Townley - Grand Lecturer



Membership / Awareness Team

The Grand Lodge membership team is looking for a few team members that can assist with the functions of the membership and awareness team. Some of those duties are:

- Lead management assistance.
- Prospect tracking with the Grand Secretary.
- Marketing material creation / publishing. (Canva App or...)
- Social Media content creation and Publishing. (SpotHero App.)
- Coordinating local events with lodges (Meet & Greet) events.
- Planning & assessment.
- Coordinate with the Digital Awareness team.
- As development moves forward.

We will meet via Zoom starting in January and will meet at least every other month. Tasks will be spread out among the team. This is currently a volunteer position.

If you are interested please send a email to membership@coloradofreemasons.org . We need ideas, skillsets and energy. Thanks for your consideration

Pete Finnie—Membership Team Lead

Membership Corner

Attention Lodge Secretaries: we have had recent multiple requests not to use personal email addresses for sending prospect leads to the lodges. We used to send them to the master's and include the secretaries in the communication to the prospects when they filled out the web forms on the GL page or the Scottish Rite pages. This caused requests to not include public emails from the master's and some secretaries. We have since started sending these requests to just the secretaries, but we still have the same issues in many cases. We fully understand and embrace this concern due to our social environment. So, we are asking if your lodge does not have a lodge specific email address for the secretaries that you create one and update that information with the GL Secretary's office so that they can make the change to OLP. For security purposes this should be a priority as we update our processes. The Membership team has automated some and will continue to expand that automation for prospect management. We are currently adding all prospects now onto a CRM so that we can manage the leads and prospects. To meet the needed security concern please create a secretary specific email account and use the format of secretary@(lodge and lodge number).XXX IE secretary-lodge007@gmail.com or wherever you are creating the secretaries account at. Or if your lodge has its own domain account create a secretaries account under that domain that is not user specific. This account can be passed from secretary to secretary as they change over the years. This will create a generic account for your lodge that can be leveraged for membership and marketing and not impact a personal email account or disclose personal information. Until a GL domain email system can be explored this is an easy way to protect personal security and allow your membership team to confidentially handle prospect leads.

Any questions please contact membership@coloradofreemasons.org

Thanks

Membership Team

Rededication of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial's Cornerstone

The Rededication of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial's Cornerstone

A National Masonic Event, February 20, 2023



Join brothers from around the world to re-dedicate the cornerstone of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial. The Memorial is a



National Historic Landmark that stands as American

Freemasonry's vital tribute to George Washington and the values of freedom. Each year, thousands of museum guests visit the Memorial to learn about Washington and Freemasonry, and to become inspired by the great heritage left to us by the Father of our Country... and our nation's foremost Freemason.

The original celebration of the cornerstone was a national Masonic event. Over 10,000 Freemasons attended the Memorial's cornerstone laying in 1923. In 2023, Masons will gather again at the Memorial to witness the re-dedication of this cornerstone.

"I highly recommend attending the Cornerstone re-education ceremony at the Georgia Washington Masonic National Memorial," explains M.W. Bro. Raymond Dunn, Grand Master of Colorado. "It will be a once in a lifetime event and a chance to visit one of Freemasonry's most beautiful and cherished structures."

The time is now to celebrate the Memorial's timeless legacy. Please join brethren from around the country in February 2023 and become part of the Memorial's second century of making history.

Rededication of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial's Cornerstone (Continued)

Schedule of Events

Meetings and Tours — Friday, February 17 through Sunday, February 19, 2023

The Memorial welcomes Lodges and other Masonic groups to attend and participate. Beginning Friday, February 17, through Sunday, February 19, Lodges that wish to hold a meeting in the Memorial may reserve time slots within the Memorial. Popular speakers such as Mark Tabbert and Shawn Eyer will be available to provide an appropriate message upon request.

Parade and Cornerstone Rededication Event — Monday, February 20, 2023

The Grand Lodge of Arizona has registered to participate in the parade from historic Old Town Alexandria up to the Memorial's beautiful grounds. The Parade steps off at 1:00 p.m. Registration is required to march in the parade.

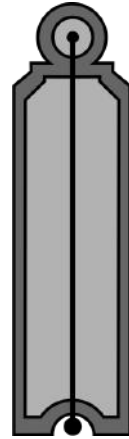
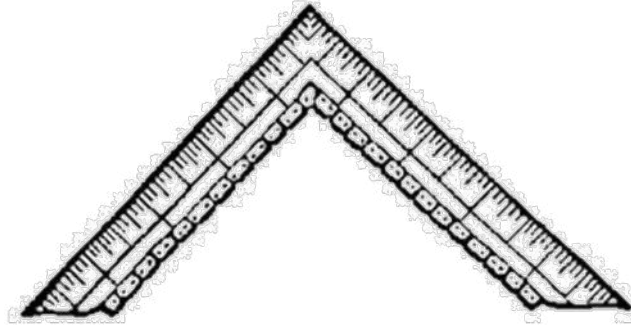
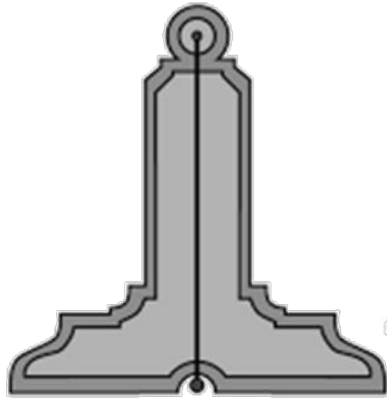
The Rededication Ceremony takes place at 3:30 p.m. All individuals attending the events of February 20, 2023, should register on the Memorial's website. This event is free, but registration is required.

Annual Washington's Birthday Gala — Wednesday, February 22, 2023

This elegant formal event will, as always, include a reception in Memorial Hall, entertainment in the Theater, and a Gala Banquet in Grand Masonic Hall. Tickets are available on the Memorial's website.

How to Register

Visit <https://www.gwmemorial.org/2023> to register for any or all of the above events. Additionally, any Colorado brethren who may intend to participate in these events should contact the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of A.F.&A.M. of Colorado, 1130 Panorama Dr., Colorado Springs, CO 80904, 719-471-9587.)



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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The Grand Lodge Office is open Monday through Friday from 8:00am to 4:00pm. All are welcome as long as you are not feeling ill. For the front door please ring the door bell for access.

