



EDDY LODGE #21 --- CARLSBAD, NEW MEXICO

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Speaking from the East

by WM Brian Burke

Greetings from the East.

Brethren, as our lodge continues to be restricted for the foreseeable future, I would like you to keep in mind that when our lodge restrictions are lifted, we will have numerous degrees we will need to confer in order for our candidates to progress and stay engaged in our fraternity. I encourage the brethren to study our degree work and if there are any parts in our degree work that you are interested in learning please advise Brother Roman Villareal or myself. We will no longer have ZOOM business meetings every Thursday. Our ZOOM meetings will be held only on the first and third Thursday of the month.

Fraternally,

WM Brian Burke

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From the West

by SW Roman Villareal



We continue to use ZOOM to conduct our Regular Stated Communication and business meetings. We meet every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at 7 pm. There are several areas of discussion and actions taken to support the community and our Lodge. We encourage you to attend and be part of the virtual fellowship.

In addition to our ZOOM meetings, we conduct a Lodge of Instruction every 2nd and 4th Thursday at 6 pm. As WM Brian Burke has stated, there are several upcoming degrees. We need to be prepared to give our candidates an experience they will not forget.

Lastly, every 1st Thursday at 6 pm, before our ZOOM meeting, RWB Gary Scott conducts a Lodge of Education to help us increase our Masonic knowledge. If you are interested, show up at the lodge, or contact RWB Gary Scott or me.

I hope to see you on our ZOOM meetings, Brethren!

Fraternally,

Roman Villarreal, Jr.



From the South

by JW Jeffery L. Robertson

Brethren,

I am pleased to inform you Brother John Garrett has passed his EA proficiency and is now waiting to have the FC degree conferred.

We have also decided to extend the TV raffle date to October 1st instead of doing the raffle in September. If you are needing tickets to sell, let me know. All funds raised will help our lodge.

Although restrictions have not been lifted, we have been busy at work conducting business, preparing candidates, learning, and practicing. Of course, while adhering to social distancing requirements. It has been difficult, but we have been able to adapt to continue running our lodge.

Fraternally,

Jeffery Robertson

Publications and Access to Public Relations

The New Mexico Freemason is emailed to everyone whose address is in the Grand Lodge data base (MORI). To get the latest notices as to what's going on at Eddy Lodge 21, please send us your email and phone contact information. You will receive notifications of important events and also you can download the Our Lodge Page app for events.

Follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/eddylodge21/.



The Lodge Officers and Stations



Worshipful Master – Brian Burke Contact Number (915) 234-3403



Senior Warden – Roman Villareal
Contact Number (575) 725-7282



Junior Warden – Jeffery L. Robertson Contact Number (575) 706-1920

Places:

Secretary: RWB Randy Heine

Chaplain: Bro. Jeremy Bolduc

Senior Deacon: WB Robert Perozynski

Senior Steward: Bro. Salomon Soto

Tyler: Bro. John Ford

Treasurer: WB Rick Coy

Marshall: Bro. Todd Tindol

Junior Deacon: Bro. Calvin Baker

Junior Steward: WB Stanley Barnhill

Lodge Location and Phone Number



Eddy Lodge #21 activity is restricted due to COVID-19 restrictions issued by the Grand Lodge and the State Health Dept. of New Mexico. Stay Safe and Healthy!

Located at: 513 N. Canyon St.

Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Lodge Telephone Number: (575) 885-4252 (between 6 and 7 pm Tuesday and Thursday)

Vision --- Eddy Lodge #21 provides visibility to the local communities ensuring a positive reflection of the Craft while maintaining a fiscally responsible management structure supporting community participation and Lodge projects.

Mission --- To establish a long-term manageable business model and a practiced ritual structure that provides for personal and moral development for our craft creating a platform for successful and responsible membership while demonstrating visible support to local communities.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: "WE ARE NOT DARK"

You are invited to attend our *Bi-Monthly* Zoom meetings conducted every First and Third Thursdays at 7:00 pm.

Brethren,

This is a message on behalf of WM Brian Burke.

As the social distancing and gathering restrictions continue, Eddy Lodge #21 is continuing to conduct business and meetings through ZOOM. We meet **Bi-Monthly on ZOOM on the first and Thursdays of each month at 7 pm**.

<u>FOR OUR Bi-WEEKLY ZOOM MEETINGs</u> use this meeting link - this is a recurring meeting and the link will not change:

 $\frac{https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84969008016?pwd=VG92d0ZPYXI5TVYyWmVsN}{25rMlE4dz09}$

You can join from your smartphone or your computer. If you have issues connecting, do not hesitate to contact WM Brian Burke, WB Gary Scott, or me. We hope to see you this Thursday!

If you experience problems in connecting, call the Senior Warden, Brother Roman Villarreal at (575) 725-7282.

NEWS FROM THE SCOTTISH RITE OF NEW MEXICO



"A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU IS ON THE HORIZON"

Brethren, have you thought you may like to petition the Scottish Rite and pursue more light in Masonry by achieving the 32 Degree if so,

"NOW IS THE TIME TO ACT!"

Due to the restrictions placed upon all of us by COVID-19, the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of New Mexico is offering a membership for ONLY \$150.

Usually this cost is \$300 plus whatever expenses you incur by traveling the reunion to achieve the work!

So, you may ask... what does the \$150 cover? The five mandatory degrees will be conferred on ZOOM in the Fall Reunion... (NO TRAVEL costs). The remaining degrees conferred in April 2021. You will receive a CAP of the 32° and a ring. PLUS, this includes your dues. Deadline to submit is September 28, 2020. The current plan is to have the Fall Reunion on ZOOM beginning October 2, 2020 from 3 pm to 6 pm... and goes through October 3rd 1:30 pm through 4 pm.

For more information or questions, please contact RWB Gary Scott at 575-361-7336. I will be more than happy to provide a reference for you on your petition... you must be a MM in Good Standing.

WE NEED A STRONG SCOTTISH RITE PRESENCE IN SOUTHESASTERN NEW MEXICO!



Attention all Scottish Rite Members

In an effort to engage more Scottish Rite Members in Southeastern New Mexico, the Grand Commander of the Scottish Rite has approved a CHARTER for us to form a SCOTTISH RITE CLUB IN SOUTHEASTERN NEW MEXICO.

THIS WILL PERMIT THE LAYING OF FOUNDATION TO ENHANCE OUR SCOTTISH RITE PRESENCE THROUGH CLUB MEETINGS IN THE REGION

ALL SCOTTISH RITE MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO JOIN US!

For more information contact:

RWB Steve Almager (575) 263-4362 or stevealmager@gmail.com

OR

RWB Gary Scott (575) 361-7336 or glscott@bajabb.com

MASONIC THOUGHTS: TAKEN FROM THE 1971

"Transactions of the Missouri Lodge of Research," Volume 28

"WHAT MAKES A MASON" by George H. Free

What makes you a Mason, O brother of mine?
It isn't the due guard, nor is it the sign
It isn't the jewel which hangs on your breast,
It isn't the apron in which you are dressed,
It isn't the step, nor the token, nor grip,
Nor lectures that fluently flow from the lip,
Nor yet the possession of that mystic word
On five points of fellowship duly conferred.
Though these are essential, desirable, fine,
They don't make a Mason, O brother of mine.

That you to your sworn obligation are true--Tis that, brother mine, makes a Mason of you.
Secure in your heart you must safeguard your trust,
With lodge and with brother be honest and just,
Assist the deserving who cry in their need,
Be chaste in your thought, in your word and your deed,
Support him who falters, with hope banish fear,
And whisper advice in an erring one's ear.
Then will the Great Lights on your path brightly shine,
And you'll be a Mason, O brother of mine.

Your use of life's hours by the gauge you must try,
The gavel to vices with courage apply;
Your walk must be upright, as shown by the plumb,
On the level, to bourn whence no travelers come;
The Book of your faith be the rule and guide,
The compass your passions shut safely inside;
The stone which the Architect placed in your care
Must pass the strict test of His unerring square,
And then you will meet with approval divine,
And you'll be a Mason, O brother of mine.

125th Anniversary Commemorative Coin All Masons, this is a *FUND RAISING EVENT* TO HELP OUR LODGE



The Commemorative Coins celebrating the 125-year anniversary of Eddy Lodge #21 are in-stock and readily available. Cost is \$25.00. These coins are sequentially numbered for collector's value. They're going fairly fast, so don't hesitate to get yours by coming to the Lodge to purchase. Contact Randy Heine or Gary Scott for your purchase or just show up at the Lodge we are always happy to see you.

Makes a perfect gift for any Mason... On hand now at the Eddy Lodge Secretary's Office

Mugs and Master Mason Challenge Coins

This mug is priced at \$15.00/each and is etched on the front "Eddy Lodge #21 AF&AM Providing Light in Masonry since 1894" On the back is an etching of the Flume. Mugs are in-stock at the Lodge and are going quick. They were included in the cost of the Table Lodge that was held on August 10th and we have a few left.



We also have "Challenge Coins" to purchase at \$15.00 each (not etched), that indicate your Name and dates Initiated, Passed, and Raised.

If you want the Lodge to have this information etched onto the coin, the cost is <u>\$40 total</u>.



Makes a perfect gift for any Mason of Eddy Lodge... On hand now at the Eddy Lodge Secretary's Office

Eddy #21 is proud to support Girl Scouts of Troop # 12926 and Troop #12013 of Carlsbad, NM.



Greetings!

There hasn't been a whole lot going on in our GS troop right now. Our Council has canceled all in person activities through July for now. My co-leaders and I are working on ways to get our girls together outside for something, but it is a work in progress. We did however, get to participate in one of our most cherished community events; the placing of flags at the cemetery for Memorial Day with the VFW. Until next time, stay safe!

Yours in Scouting,

Michele Robertson Leader, troop 12926

No meetings at Eddy Lodge #21 due to COVID-19 Restrictions