

Brothers,

The 2011 Tri-Jurisdictional Outdoor Lodge will be held August 26-27, 2011. The host city will be Helena, Montana the outdoor meeting and degree exemplification will take place at the Mullan Pass Historic Masonic Site. This is a joint fraternal event held by the Grand Lodges of Montana, Alberta and Saskatchewan. We invite all Master Masons, in good standing from Jurisdictions recognized by these three Grand Lodges, to attend. The weekend will include:



- An outdoor meeting and exemplification of the Second Degree using Montana work.
- Masonic Education on the differences and similarities among the jurisdictions.
- A special Ladies Program
- Great food and entertainment
- Performance by the Sapphira Nile Drum Unit
- An outdoor meeting at the location of the first recorded meeting held in what is now Montana. at the summit of the Continental Divide.

Mullan Pass Site 46°39'14.47"N 112°19'01.62"W

In keeping with the theme of the prior year just as the buffalo roamed our three jurisdictions, we envision that the Outdoor Roaming Lodge will continue to roam. Next to Saskatchewan, and returning to Alberta. Thus providing an opportunity to strengthen relations between our three Grand Lodges for years to come.

The Chairmen for this event are W. Brothers Gary Long and Blake Gardiner, who will be assisted by members of the Mullan Pass Historic Lodge No. 1862 and a host of Brothers from around Montana. This will be a casual event allowing blue jeans and cowboy shirts and hats.

Don't miss this opportunity to join with us August 26 & 27 at the first meeting place of Masons in Montana "Where it all began!"

Will Alexander
Grand Master of Montana 2011-2012



Mullan Pass, Where It All Began! First Recorded Meeting Place in Montana

The first recorded meeting of Masons in what is now Montana occurred on September 23, 1862, when three brethren with the first Fisk Expedition, then camped on the Mullan Road at the summit of the Rocky Mountains, went through the ritual opening and closing of a lodge.

Located about 50 minutes North West from Helena in the Helena National Forest at an elevation 6012 feet, this is a remote area and has rough road access. We need to limit the number of vehicles and carpooling will be required, cars and low clearance vehicle are not recommended.

Friday, August 26, 2011

Registration will be at the Red Lion Colonial Hotel, 2301 Colonial Drive, Helena.

The Friday evening Meet & Greet, 6 pm at the historic Kleffner Ranch, 305 MT Hwy 518, East Helena. The evening will include a Prime Rib Barbecue. See <http://kleffnerranch.com>

Saturday, August 27, 2011

For those with tickets breakfast will be at the Red Lion Hotel from 6am-8am.

Masons will need to be ready to leave from the Red Lion Hotel by 8:45am for Mullan Pass. Once at the Mullan Pass Masonic Site we will open lodge, have abbreviated introductions, and an exemplification of the FellowCraft Degree using Montana Ritual. Lunch will be provided at the Pass.

We will be back in Helena in time to meet up with the ladies and reach the Saturday evening Pig Roast at 6pm at the Montana Masonic Home, 2010 Masonic Home Drive, Helena.

Accommodations

Helena

Red Lion Colonial Hotel -special room rate of \$80.00 (+tax) at the Red Lion Colonial Hotel Helena 2301 Colonial Drive Helena, MT 59601, (406) 443-2100. You can call for reservations and give the conference name of "Masons" for the special block of rooms for this event. Reservations must be made by July 27th, room block is named Masons Tri-Jurisdictional.

There are many other hotels in Helena but if you are going to call for reservations be sure to call early.

Arrangements have also been made for those bringing their RV's at -Lincoln Road RV Park, 850 Lincoln Road West, Helena, (406) 458-3725. With full hookups (electricity, water, and sewer) for RV's. Lincoln Road RV Park can accommodate almost any size RV. The year-round park has horseshoes, a playground, and free wireless Internet service. Amenities include showers, restrooms, a laundry and a gift shop. Rates: \$42.80 or discount rate of \$38.52 for Good Sam, AAA or senior citizen. You must reserve by July 25th. Your Site Host will be R.W. Bro Bruce Lahti and Lady Kathie.

Notes

Dinner substitutions: Chicken, salmon or vegetarian meals. Available by paid preregistration only. You must include this information at time of registration.

Ticket prices are for paid preregistration received by August 1, 2011. Prices after August 1 (subject to availability) - add \$5.00 for each ticket.

Camp Cups - For Master Masons: included with first 150 paid tickets to lunch on the Pass. Must be present to receive cup.**

Camp Chairs are limited, and are free to the first 100 Master Masons who register and pay for both dinners.* If available, and with the purchase of one dinner a chair can be bought for \$25.00. Must be present to receive chair.

More information will be available at check in!

Registration

Name: _____

Title/Office: _____

Member Grand Lodge of: _____

Significant Other Attending: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State/Province: _____

Zip/Postal: _____ Telephone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Tickets (Per Person)

Friday Night Meet & Greet \$30.00*
(Prime Rib, 6pm) Total _____

Saturday Breakfast \$15.00
(Red Lion Hotel, 6-8am) Total _____

Ladies Tour & Lunch \$40.00
(Gate of the Mountains & Box lunch) Total _____

Men's Lunch \$10.00** Total _____

Saturday Night \$30.00*
(Pig Roast-Masonic Home, 6pm) Total _____

Grand Total _____

Mail Registration to:

2011 Outdoor Lodge
804 Phoenix Ave #2E
Helena, Montana 59601
USA

In order to have an equal distribution of information No Registrations will be accepted prior to 15 May 2011

Special Souvenirs

**The first 150 Master Masons who register, attend and purchase lunch on the Pass will receive a traditional tin camp cup with the 2011 Tri-Jurisdictional lodge on it.



*The first 100 Master Masons who register, attend and purchase tickets for both Friday and Saturday dinners will receive a camp chair with the 2011 Tri-Jurisdictional logo on the back.

Sit back in comfort at this and future outdoor meetings!

Ladies Program

The scheduled program for the Ladies requires a minimum of 40 registered to attend and is limited to 40. Those attending will be taken by bus to the Gates of The Mountains marina for a two hour boat tour on the Missouri River. For nearly two centuries travelers have ventured down this stretch of the Missouri to marvel at its natural wonders. Named by Lewis & Clark in 1805 tours began in 1886. Ladies will depart from the Red Lion at 9am. The tour hours are 9am-3pm.

See <http://www.gatesofthemountains.com>

Optional Tours

The "Tour Train" departs hourly from next to Montana Historical Society, 225 N Roberts, and provides an informational overview of historic Last Change Gulch and downtown Helena.

The Montana Masonic Museum, 425 N Park Ave, will be open on Saturday from 8am to 4pm.

For Information Contact

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Helena, MT