



A QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER OF THE MWPHGL OF NEVADA // APRIL 2025

PH MILY *Life*

2025 FOUR CORNERS OPERATION ROCKY MTN TAKE BACK



The scene? The Rocky Mountains of Denver, Colorado. The event? 2025 Four Corners. The mission? Bring back The Bryant-Robinson-Mathis Traveling Trophy to Las Vegas to the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Nevada. And by noon on Saturday, March 22nd, mission accomplished!

The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Nevada had 33 brothers and sisters that traveled to Denver to make count on Saturday morning. And this was not all that made the trip. New Mexico put on a valiant effort with 18. At the end of the day, Nevada Jurisdiction showed up and showed out. Grand Worthy Matron Yasmin Stampley became the pioneer in the



morning by having her staff go to the center aisle to be introduce to the attendees to arousing applauses. Most Worshipful Master Levy Belton followed suit by having his administration enter the center aisle to be introduced. Not to be outdone, Most Worshipful Grand Master Gary Thomas of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Colorado allowed the New Mexico Jurisdiction a do over to allow their administration introduced from the center aisle. And then, of course, the Colorado Jurisdiction was introduced the same way. Though Colorado was not eligible, they did have a good showing and support as approximately 60 members showed up for Four Corners.

Colorado hosted the 2025 Four Corners very well with meals Friday and Saturday night as well as hospitality nights all weekend. They set the bar for the next host, New Mexico for 2026.

Not only meals were part of this Four Corners, but life event discussions that were very beneficial for many brothers there and brothers who would soon need this informative information that took place.

GOD IS...
OUR REFUGE
AND STRENGTH

Proverbs 3:5-6

**Trust in the Lord with all
thine heart; and lean not
on your own understand-
ing; in all your ways sub-
mit to him, and he will
make your paths straight.**

Rev. Richard Vega
PMW Grand Master

**MOST WORSHIPFUL
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NEVADA**

PHILLIP E. BELL JR #5 GIVES \$3,375 TO THEIR ORPHAN, JERMAINE D. VINCENT JR



PEB, Jr Lodge # 5 are thrilled to share a heartwarming update that highlights the incredible impact of their support and generosity. This month, they had the privilege of donating \$3,375 to their beloved orphan, Jermaine D. Vincent, Jr., enabling him to attend an enriching STEM summer program.

Jermaine is a bright and talented young individual with a deep passion for science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. This opportunity will allow him to explore his interests, gain valuable hands-on experience, and grow in ways that will shape his future. The program is not just an academic experience but a gateway to unlocking Jermaine’s potential to dream bigger and aim higher.

Their contributions make it possible for young people like Jermaine to access life-changing opportunities. Together, PEB #5 is paving the way for a brighter future—one child at a time.

They look forward to seeing Jermaine’s progress and sharing his success with them in the months to come. We thank the lodge members for their continued support in helping them create lasting change in the lives of others who deserve a world of possibilities.



The 1920’s was the theme of Saturday night in the Rocky Mountains. What came with the 1920s is casinos. And some of the ladies of Desert Rose Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, PHA took advantage of this by trying their hand at some of the games in the room such as the roulette wheel and the crap table. Not sure if any of the ladies won with the counterfit chips but had it been real, we would have known real quick who hit a lick and who’s night was over.



It has been an honor serving as your Grand Worthy Matron. We had a successful year, including a training session with the Grand Lecturer and officers, and a productiv Mid-winter Conference with over 30 members attending. I ws privileged to visit each Chapter twice, strengthening our bonds. Looking ahead , Palm Sunday will be observed on April 13, 2025 and Grand Session is set for June 6-7, 2025, at the Plaza Hotel and Casino. Let’s continue to grow and build prosperous relationships for a thriving and successful Grand Chapter.



During the past months, we have improved our relationship with the Order of Eastern Star, the Scottish Rite and the Shrines in our local area. Visited Andrew Horton Military Lodge in Idaho getting new members for the Lodge. A Committee has been assigned to establish new Lodges and getting a Royal Arch Chapter in this area. On the agenda is visitation again to Andrew Horton Military Lodge, participating in the Four Corners Conference, Conference of Grand Master and our Grand Lodge Session. Another area we are addressing is; Looking, Talking, and Visiting those members that are not attending our meetings and events. We give a Lot to the community, but how about looking into giving to those that we dropped for none payment of dues, etc., by giving something back to them, to get them current again.

Lets continue to work hard and make this Jurisdiction the Best in the World.

MWGM *Levy Belton*

GWM *Yasmin Stampley*

Past Master William 'Art' Hall HAS LAID DOWN HIS WORKING TOOLS

William 'Art' Hall has laid down his working tools. A Past Master of King Solomon Lodge #2 and Lewis F. Cottrell #339, Brother Hall was a very knowledgeable mason and seemed to know everything about the Nevada Jurisdiction. If you wanted knowledge of this jurisdiction and had time on your hands, you just either went to visit or reached him on the phone and he would give you all the knowledge your heart desired. He stayed very active within the lodge and jurisdiction. Up to a few years ago, he would attend Grand Sessions and when King Solomon held lodge meetings downstairs, he would attend up to a few years ago. Past Master Hall will be sorely missed as there are not many that has the knowledge of the beginning of this jurisdiction.



Lewis F. Cottrell Consistory #339 Mattie McSwain Assembly #339 GEMS OF THE VALLEY ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DINNER

On November 26, 2024, member of Mattie McSwain Assembly #339 Order of the Golden Circle, Gems of the Valley #339 and the Fraters of Lewis F. Cottrell Consistory #339 hosted the Gems of the Valley Annual Thanksgiving dinner



to over 50 residents of Louis Shell Senior Apartments. The residents and the administrative board were happy to receive the hospitality given by both the Golden Circle and Consistory.

NATIONAL COMMUNITY HEALTH INITIATIVE

The A.E.A.O.N.M.S. held their National Community Health Initiative observance of the American Diabetes Association. This was a Domain wide event for Nobles and Daughters to unite in bringing awareness of Diabetes to their respective communities.



The Nobles and Daughters visited AME Church of North Las Vegas to spread the word about diabetes and diabetes prevention. Ophir Temple #211 also donated \$200 to the Body and Soul Health Ministry directed by Sis. Glenda Logan-Miller. Ophir Temple is led by Illustrious Potentate Carl Dawson and Ophir Court is led by Illustrious Commandress Ursela Hatcher.

SICK & DISTRESSES

Prayers

NEVADA READING WEEK @

LOIS CRAIG-CAMBEIRO-MATT KELLY ES

Electa Chapter #5 answered the call of duty by participating in Nevada reading week. Not only did the ladies of Electa Chapter #5 read to one school, but three schools. Now that's what you call spreading your resources.



NOMINATED FOR HONORARY 33rd DEGREE...

SP JAMAR GROVNER

Growing up in Texas, Sublime Prince Jamar Grovner developed a strong foundation of resilience, leadership, and community service. In 2007, he embarked on his Masonic journey in Colorado, embracing the principles of brotherhood and personal growth. Since then, he has dedicated himself to the Craft, putting in significant work in Nevada to uplift his fellow brethren and strengthen Mosonic bonds. His efforts and commitment have been recognized with the esteemed nomination for the Honorary 33rd Degree—an honor he accepts with deep gratitude and humility.



JACK HAYWOOD #6 SUPPORTING YOUTH SPORTS

Jack Haywood Lodge #6 is in its third year of supporting WAVES under-14 basketball program through financial investment and human capital. JH#6 gave the young athletes a \$2500 donation.



NEVADA JURISDICTION TICKET SALES

44th & 43rd GRAND SESSIONS
JUNE 4-7, 2025

Registration is open for the 44th Annual Grand Session. Location will be at Headquarters Hotel — Plaza Hotel and Casino. Hotel registration last day is May 6, 2025. Contact 1.800.634.6575 to reserve a room. Registration forms have been sent out. Session registration is \$125 until May 15th. After May 15th, registration will be \$150. If you have not received a registration form, please contact Jamar Grovner @ 719.487.4648

PRAYER BREAKFAST
JUNE 28, 2025

Lewis F. Cottrell #339 & Mattie McSwain #339 will have tickets go on sale soon for the Prayer Breakfast at Unity Baptist Church. For more information contact Khalid Sultan @ 818.264.6849 or Ursula Hatcher @ 702.578.1036

HEAD OF HOUSE BANQUET
JULY 26, 2025

Lewis F. Cottrell #339 and Mattie McSwain #339 have tickets for the Heads of House Banquet on sale. Cost is \$100 and it will be at Sante Fe Station at 7pm. You can scan the below QR Code to pay by Zelle. Or, reach out to 2nd Lieutenant Ivan Smith @ (847) 347-1299 for cash arrangements.



BAHAMAS CRUISE
FEBRUARY 6-9, 2026

Electa Chapter #5 will have it's 1st Annual Superbowl Cruise. 3 Day Carnival Cruise out of Miami, FL. Departing from Miami, FL, Fun Day at Sea, Celebration Key, The Bahamas, then back to Miami. \$75 per person is due by April 9, 2025.

Interior Cabins \$649 per person
Ocean Cabins \$669 per person
Balcony Cabins \$799 per person

Contact;
Sister Kim Lyons-Criss (702) 493-8817 to book trip
Tarra Green-Jackson (702) 773-2190 for questions

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 17, 2025

***Maunday Thursday**

2700 Colton Ave
North Las Vegas, NV 89032
7pm

April 20, 2025

***Early Morning Service**

2700 Colton Ave
Las Vegas, NV 89106
7am

April 26, 2025

***Gloria H. Freeman Appreciation**

Pearson Center
1625 W. Carey Ave.
North Las Vegas, NV 8903
6pm

June 4, 2025

***Grand Session**

Memorial Service
Pleasant Grove MBC
1200 W. Hassel Ave,
Las Vegas, NV 89106
7pm

June 5, 2025

***Grand Session**

Table Lodge
2700 Colton Ave
Las Vegas, NV 89032
7pm

June 6, 2025

***Grand Session**

Grand Master & Grand Worthy Matron Banq
Plaza Hotel & Casino
1 Main St
Las Vegas, NV 89101
6pm

June 7, 2025

***Grand Session**

Session
Plaza Hotel & Casino
1 Main St
Las Vegas, NV 89101
8am

June 28, 2025

***Prayer Breakfast**

Unity Baptist Church
543 Marion Dr.
Las Vegas, NV 89110
9am

OVER 60 YEARS AS A MASON PMWGM JESSE J. SMITH

The brothers of King Solomon Lodge #2 have decided to give flowers while one can enjoy them and the first person the brothers of King Solomon would like to extend the respect to is none other than Past Most Worshipful Grand Master Jesse J. Smith. Past Grand started his masonic career in 1960.



ST. MARK #1 HOST A BROTHER FROM ACROSS THE POND



St. Marks #1 had a visitor. Not just any visitor. They had Bro Marc Gaudart who is the Worshipful Master of Castle Lodge #3219 Province of Nottinghamshire of the United Grand Lodge of England. This was WM's second visit since 2022. Before he departed England for the US, he researched the

Grand Lodge of England Archive Museum of Freemasonry. He came across a letter written by Prince Hall dated September 22, 1785 to Henry Fredrik, the Duke of Cumberland, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England thanking him for granting African Lodge a Charter. Brother Gaudart presented a copy of the original letter to then ,Worshipful Master Ivan Smith and the Brothers of St. Mark Lodge #1 as a continuous partnership of Brotherly Love.

DESERT ROSE GRAND CHAPTER DEEP BLUE SEA TAKES OVER THE ROCKIES



The Sisters of Desert Rose Grad Chapter took flight to Denver, Colorado to support the Nevada Jurisdiction at the Four Corner Conference on March 20-23, 2025. These ladies were very much involved in all the events that Colorado threw out there. Coming together is huge in the Nevada Jurisdiction and the sisters led by Grand Worthy Matron Yasmin Stampley showed up.....and showed out!

TWO NEW DEPUTIES IN THE NEVADA JURISDICTION

Within the Nevada Prince Hall PHAmily, and all the hustle and bustle that's being done in this state, we had two new Deputies appointed. In the Shrine, Past Master Darrell Wade is the new Deputy of the Desert of Nevada. And in Scottish Rite, Past Master Oliver Day has been appointed Deputy of the Orient of Nevada. There's no doubt that these two will do an excellent job in their respective roles.

QUEEN ESTHER CHAPTER #2 REPRESENTS AT OPHIR COURT #201 BLACK HISTORY DINNER DANCE

Queen Esther Chapter #2 attended the Black History Dinner Dance to support Ophir Court #201 at the Pearson Center. Worthy Matron Michelle Sanders along with Worthy Patron Khalid Sultan represented Queen Esther.



KING SOLOMON #2 FEEDING THE HOMELESS

The brothers of King Solomon Lodge #2 on a break from their monthly feed the homeless. The brothers usually have help from the ladies of Queen Esther #2. Brother Dwayne Hernandez has been the Chairman of this community service for many years.

The brothers of King Solomon meet every 3rd Saturday at 11am at various locations. Please contact Dwayne Hernandez @ 702.292.4766 if you'd like to assist in passing out food to the unfortunate.



JACK HAYWOOD #6 SHOWS WHY THEY WERE LODGE OF THE YEAR

Worshipful Master Kenzy Brown keeps Jack Haywood rolling in the community. \$1500 was donated to STEAMBotics Program at Helen Toland International Academy. STEAMBotics is an after-school educational development and technology robotics program for elementary and middle school students designed to present Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics in real life situations.



FURTHER EDUCATION

Grand Lodge of Instruction or Eugene Mitchell School of Instruction is a good place to get more masonic education. Every 2nd Saturday of the month after the Grand Lodge Staff meetings, Right Worshipful Grand Lecturer Khalid Sultan holds these classes from 11am to 1pm. Feel free to reach out to Grand Lecturer Sultan to find the syllabus or the instruction of the month. A good way for younger brothers to learn more of freemasonry and to be taught on how the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Nevada do things.

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