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REMEMBRANCE

live with intention.

walk to the edge.

listen hard.

practice wellness.

play with abandon.

laugh.

choose with no regret.

continue to learn.

appreciate your friends.

do what you love.

live as if this is all there is.

~In Memoriam~

<u>BROTHER</u>	CALLED HOME
Elton Edward Bachli, 32°	3/7/2010
Robert George Burg, 32°	3/8/2010
David Ferguson, 32°	3/3/2010
Robert Harrison Harmon, 32°	3/18/2010
Eugene Ussery Harney, 32°	2/18/2010
Alan Edwin Hatfield, 32° KCCH	3/29/2010
William Saxton Lewis, 33°	3/5/2010
Leroy Stewart Mayberry, 32°	3/29/2010
Alvin J. Meiklejohn, 33°	3/1/2010



Grand Master Message

Greetings Brethren All,

Spring is such a great time of the year ... the renewal of all

things growing, the expectations for warmer weather and more outside activities to enjoy. It is also the time for us as Scottish Rite Masons to participate in the Reunions scheduled at each of the Valleys in Colorado.

The purpose of the Reunion is to receive and instruct new members but it provides so many more opportunities for all of us involved. The Class is the focus of all information yet it takes hundreds of others to carry out a successful Reunion. Class members are receiving the lessons for the first time but with all that is available there is a need to return to future Reunions to re-new the experience. This is especially true for all who have observed from the sidelines and even for the Masons presenting the ritual. Each time the degree is presented there is a chance to gain 'more light' and another lesson is realized by those who are students of the Craft.

If you are a cast member in one of the degrees, you know the feeling of working together to present the best possible performance. If you are one of the support staff in costumes, stage, properties, audio, or food service, you must feel good about your contributions to this monumental effort. And finally, if you are a candidate, you will be duly impressed with the work as well as the lessons this branch of Masonry provides. So, if you do not fit into any of these groups and you want to be part of the fellowship of the occasion ... plan to attend. You will not be disappointed.

Keep Smilin' Charlie Johnson – Grand Master

Master's Wages

by D.J. Cox, 32° KCCH

"Work and receive Master's wages". Every Master Mason has heard those words several times during his Masonic experiences. Some understand the full impact of those words, but some do not. In ancient operative times, wages were paid in corn, wine oil and sometimes coin. But, what are we paid today in Speculative Freemasonry? And how do we earn those wages?

The simple answer is supposed to be things like mentoring other brethren, helping others, caring for the widow and orphan and visiting the sick. Masonic wages are not earned in materialistic ways. The rewards are earned through acts of kindness good deeds and "the gift of your time to others". Master's Wages are paid in acquaintances. Freemasonry is strong in defense of the helpless.

The wages of a Master may be classified under two heads; first, those inalienable rights which every Freemason enjoys as a result of fees, initiation and the payment of annual dues; second, those more precious privileges which are his if he will but stretch out his hand to take.

The opportunities to see and hear the beautiful ceremonies of Freemasonry, to take from them again and again a new thought, are wages not to be lightly received. For him with the open ears and the inquiring mind, the degrees lead to a new world, since familiarity with ritual provides the key by which he may read an endless stream of books about Freemasonry.

If practical Master's Wages are acquaintances throughout masonry, the enjoyment of fellowship, merged into friendship, is the same payment in larger form. Difficult to describe, the sense of being one of a group, the solidarity of the circle which is Masonry, provides a satisfaction and pleasure impossible to describe as it is clearly to be felt. It is interesting to meet many men of many walks of life; it is heart-warming continually to meet the same group, always with the same feeling of equality.

The Reunion approaches. Let us all work and receive our wages through renewing old acquaintances and friends, watching the several casts share their messages in the degrees, and finding ways to grow within ourselves.

I wish I could claim these were my words above, but I cannot. These came from brethren I heretofore met, read, or listened to in lessons. I may not be very smart, but I am "learned" enough to heed these lessons. Can you earn your wages?



From the Secretary's Desk by Claud E. Dutro, 33°, Secretary

Presiding Past Officers Honored.

Following the tradition of previous years, past presiding officers of the four bodies were introduced during the entertainment section at the March stated meeting. Response for the Past Venerable Masters of Centennial Lodge of Perfection was given by Illustrious Brother David M. Naiman, 33°, who served in 1978.



Past Wise Master Illustrious Brother Jack Grav. 33°. the senior living member (1970-1971), responded for Rocky Mountain Chapter of Rose Croix.



Illustrious Brother **Donald W. Cox, 33°**, 1989, responded for the Past Commanders of Kadosh for Colorado Council of Kadosh. It is interesting to note that all of the Past Commanders of Kadosh that were present have been coroneted as 33° Freemasons.



The Past Masters of Kadosh of Denver Consistory were the group with the largest attendance for the evening. Illustrious Brother Harry L. Lindstrom, Jr., 33°, who served in 1978 responded for this distinguished group.



Our thanks to Illustrious Brother John A. Moreno, 33°, official photographer, for his usual high quality work. If you were there, then you know how he managed to be in the middle of his group when the picture was taken.

Musical Fundraiser for the Shrine Hospitals for Children. With very short notice, our SGIG was able to spark a fundraiser at El Jebel Shrine Center that featured the John Colianni Quintet on Saturday, March 20. John Colianni became available when the venue where he was scheduled to appear closed abruptly. This master pianist toured for several years with such well known performers as Lionel Hampton, Mel Torme and Les The SGIG, Secretary and Music Director all enjoyed this concert with their wives.



Knights of St. Andrew

by Rich Silver, 32°

The Knights of Saint Andrew held its annual business meeting prior to the March Stated Meeting. The following

are the results of the election of officers:

Venerable Master Mark Ralston Senior Warden **Bob Salazar** Junior Warden Emit Hurdelbrink Secretary Rich Silver Treasurer Lue Martell

Chaplin Don Doles

The KSA held its first CPR/AED class in March and five Knights were trained in this valuable procedure. We will be scheduling more classes during the coming months, with a goal of having most of the Knights The next class is planned for April 13. Anyone interested in this class should contact Mark Ralston at ksadenver@yahoo.com.

Keep the date open, the KSA is planning a dinner for the Knights and their ladies, tentatively scheduled for June 11. This will be a great opportunity to get to know your brothers better and for us to involve our ladies in our activities.



Between the Columns

by Michael D. Moore, 32°



One of many patents in our archives.

Some who study our Scottish Rite degrees get discouraged when they do not find what others perceive when viewing them. It shouldn't be that way. For in reality, it is not what the degree has to teach; but what you need to see in it. This sounds odd, doesn't it?

The twenty nine degrees taught at our Reunions are a really an intricate, beautiful and unique kaleidoscope of thoughts. And it depends



on how you turn the lessons to the light and view them that gives what is best for each of us.

Every degree comes across on different levels. They all have social, political, moral and spiritual lessons displayed in layered teachings. Or maybe a better

way to describe all this would be "simple in complexity."

We don't need to know or understand all the various precepts found in these rituals; we just need to be aware and use what at the time makes us better.

For they unfold to each of us differently. What do you need in your life today? Are you struggling through a relationship with a coworker or acquaintance? Are you ready for the next in a progressive set of lessons that can make you more enlightened? Has a recent event in your life brought you to a place where you are ready now to learn a principle that has been off your radar screen?

The lessons taught in the mini dramas are not without consideration to our modern, everyday lives. They may be set in past time frames, but the situations which the candidates in them go through and learn from are ones which we see around us

today.



So, don't worry if you notice some angle that others do not seem to comprehend. The degrees were made to be that way. Each viewing shows something different, which is what I hear all the time from the brothers who have seen the degrees many times. And it will be the same with you. Principles, truths and knowledge are revealed as you need, understand and can use them. But don't worry about draining this deep well dry. There are so many lessons that a lifetime of study and application cannot put a dent into all they process.

So, what are the Scottish Rite degrees? Some see them as a tool for increased knowledge and insight or as an easy way for change to take place within our own private personal space with no one else looking on. But the real question from you should be, "How does this kaleidoscope look to me?"





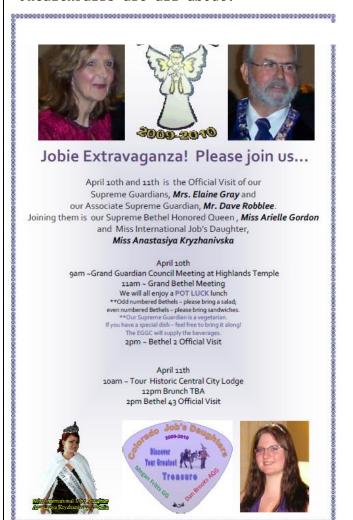
Denver Consistory's 9HealthFair for 2010

Brothers:

The 2010 Consistory 9HealthFair is almost here. By the time you read this, we'll be in the last stages of preparing and setting up for the fair. This year, we expect to have a number of screenings that we've either never had before or not had in a long time. We aren't sure how many participants we'll have, as we're slightly before the main 9HealthFairs in the metro area, but no matter what, our fair will be a success because of all the volunteers that give their experience to us.

If you can't make it to our fair, try to make it to one of the other fairs around the metro area during the following two weeks.

OWN YOUR HEALTH - it's not just this year's slogan, it's really what the 9HealthFairs are all about.





Mayor Casiano observes "My Government Day" with DeMolay Chapter

by: John Gile

Mayor David Casiano visited *The High Plains Chapter of the Order of DeMolay International* to discuss local government and how young people can participate in civic affairs to make a positive difference in their community.

The Mayor reviewed some of his many job duties as mayor of a small "city" - what Parker is classified as given such significant growth over the past several years - and what Parker will need from its younger citizens as they mature into voting adults.

Mayor Casiano stated "Change starts at the individual level -- your decision to get involved now, to attend town council meetings and to see how local government works -- you can each make a big difference to our



future."
The Mayor fielded questions about various ongoing town projects, and offered ideas on how

DeMolay could contribute to the town through their High Plains DeMolay with Mayor Casiano, meeting to discuss 'My Government Day.'

volunteer efforts. Upon the Chapter's formal closing of the meeting, the Mayor stayed to socialize with members and parents over refreshments.

The "My Government Day" is one of seven annual obligatory days observed by DeMolay; the six other days are Devotional Day, Patriot's Day, DeMolay Day of Comfort, Educational Day, Parents' Day and Frank S. Land Memorial Day.

DeMolay is an organization dedicated to preparing young men to lead successful, happy, and productive lives. Applying timeless principles to practical, hands-on experiences, DeMolay opens doors for young men aged 12 to 21 by developing civic awareness, personal responsibility and leadership skills. DeMolay combines this serious mission with a fun approach that builds important bonds of friendship among members in more than 1,000 chapters worldwide.

For more information about DeMolay, visit www.DeMolay.org or call Dad Walter Martin at 303-810-6189

ALLEGIANCE

The bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, sitting in the Valley of Denver, Orient of Colorado, acknowledge and Yield allegiance to the Supreme Council (Mother Council of the World) of the Inspector General, Knights Commander of the House of the Temple of Solomon of the Thirty-third degree of the Ancient Scottish Rite of Freemasonry For the Southern Jurisdiction of The United States of America.

LEADERSHIP



Ronald A. Seale, 33° Sovereign Grand Commander Supreme Council, 33°, Washington, D.C.



Stephen M. Munsinger, 33° Sovereign Grand Inspector General of The Supreme Council



David W. Powell, 33°
Personal Representative of the SGIG in Colorado for Denver Consistory



David D. Swift, 33° Venerable Master Centennial Lodge of Perfection

Scottish Rite Creed

"Human progress is our cause, liberty of thought our supreme wish, freedom of conscience our mission, and the guarantee of equal rights to all people everywhere our ultimate goal."



Richard W. Mitchell, 33° Wise Master Rocky Mountain Chapter of Rose Croix



James D. Brigman, 32° KCCH Master of Kadosh Denver Consistory



Donald L. Emarine, 33° Treasurer



Ashley S. Buss, 32° KCCH, Commander Colorado Council of Kadosh



M. Edward Johnson, 33° Almoner



Claud E. Dutro, 33° Secretary-Recorder-Registrar



CALENDAR

2010 Denver Consistory Schedule

April

Sat - Apr 10 9 Health Fair - **Parking garage available** (Fair closes at noon)

Fri - Apr 16-17 Leadership Conference – New Orleans

Mon - Apr 19 Stated Meeting - Parking garage available

5:30 PM Red Room Business Meeting

6:00 PM Dinner

Chicken Cordon Bleu

7:00 PM Celebration of Remembrance and Renewal

7:30 PM Split Meeting – "True Secret of Masonry" presentation

<u>May</u>

Wed - May 12-15 Southwest Regional Reunion (5th consecutive) Scottsdale, Arizona

Mon - May 17 Stated Meeting - **Parking garage available**

5:30 PM Red Room Business Meeting

6:00 PM Dinner

7:00 PM Entertainment - "Perceptive vs. Cognitive Thought"

presentation

7:30 PM Split Meeting- Rocky Mtn Chapter of Rose Croix

5 minute Oration by Orator

Thu - May 20 Spring Reunion (36th consecutive) - **Parking garage available**

7:00 AM

7:00 AM

Fri - May 21 Spring Reunion (36th consecutive) - **Parking garage available**

7:00 AM

Sat - May 22 Spring Reunion (36th consecutive) - **Parking garage available**

7:00 AM

Mon - May 31 Consistory closed for Memorial Day holiday observance

June

Sat - Jun 12 Ladies Lunch - Parking garage available

11:30 AM

Mon - Jun 21 Stated Meeting - **Parking garage available**- <u>Hawaiian Shirt Night</u>

5:30 PM Red Room Business Meeting

6:00 PM Dinner

7:00 PM Entertainment

7:30 PM Split Meeting- Colorado Council of Kadosh

5 minute oration by Orator

Note: all menus are listed on our web page at www.denverconsistory.org



The Scottish Rite Foundation of Colorado is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit public charity dedicated to funding speech-language therapy for children in Colorado. The Foundation's Tax ID is 84-6034299.

You are welcome to contact the foundation about services or making a gift by calling 303-861-2410 or emailing ritecare@scottishritefoundation.org. You may write the Foundation at 1370 Grant Street, Denver, CO 80203. Visit the foundation website at www.scottishritefoundation.org.

The newly launched website for the Scottish Rite Foundation of Colorado may be found at the following url:

www.scottishritefoundation.org

Current Activities at the Scottish Rite Foundation

Vernon B. Ingraham, 33°, Grand Cross Executive Secretary Scottish Rite Foundation of Colorado

This article informs about our work this spring involving a film project and the 2009 annual audit.

Beginning this month (April), Dr. Deborah Hayes and the Foundation will begin production of a film about our work in Colorado. Since the Foundation was created in 1953, six films have been produced in Colorado. The most recent was in 1986 – 24 years ago. So it is time – especially in this day and age with internet communications becoming so sophisticated – for a contemporary film.

The 2010 film will be shot in two locations: The Children's Hospital in Aurora and St. Mary's Life Center in Grand Junction. St. Mary's is our longest serving RiteCare partner – joining with us in 1986.

Children and families will be featured in the film along with interviews of Dr. Hayes, SGIG Steve Munsinger, and others. The film is being produced by a highly acclaimed production company in Boulder, Colorado. It will be state-of-the-art, entertaining, and informative. And what's more, it won't be laborious to the viewer as it will last only about five minutes.

Delivery of the final product is targeted for the July-August 2010 period. We'll post on our website (www.scottishritefoundation.org) and show it at certain functions such as the Consistory reunion classes. We anticipate that this film will be beneficial to us in our fundraising efforts in the community.

On a different subject, our annual audit by an independent CPA firm (Marrs Sevier & Co. in Lakewood, Colorado) is being conducted this spring. This audit will cover the 2009 fiscal year (which is the same as the calendar year). In July we'll have available an auditor's report, certified financial statements, and the IRS form 990. All documents for 2009, as well as previous years at least going back to 2000, are available to the public in the Foundation office. In addition, the Foundation's 2009 annual report will be published in August incorporating the certified financial statements. The report will be available for viewing on the website. It will also be distributed in hardcopy to our major donors and partners as well as major fundraising prospects.

Finally, please remember the Foundation's work with children when you are considering your charitable gifts. These gifts help in treating more than 1,000 children in Colorado each year. As always, we are grateful and thankful for your support.