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~ In Memoriam ~

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FEATURE ARTICLE

And the greatest of these is charity...

by Lincoln C. Soule 33°

- 1: benevolent goodwill toward or love of humanity
- 2: generosity and helpfulness especially toward the needy or suffering; *also*: aid given to those in need

These are a couple of definitions of charity. The question posed is, why do masons commit their time, money, and skills to charity? And why is charity central to masonry?

One of the central themes heard about masonry is that the craft helps to make a good man better. There are those that would argue that this is not the reason for masonry but who can deny that the lessons, ritual, and discipline do not help to make good men better? And what does charity, in all its' many forms do but help to make those charitable in actions, works, and deeds better?

We, as individuals, Lodges, Consistories, and other Masonic bodies are charitable in many ways. But what does that mean? Do we conduct our charitable activities because of, "*benevolent goodwill toward or love of humanity*" or a "*generosity and helpfulness especially toward the needy or suffering; also: aid given to those in need*"? Or do we do what we do because it is what the craft does and we don't question motives? Is it enough to pay our dues knowing that a portion goes

to the charitable activity of the entity collecting our dues?

Do any of us actually perform "random acts of kindness" or acts of charity on a regular and ongoing basis for the purpose of "*benevolent goodwill toward or love of humanity*" or a "*generosity and helpfulness especially toward the needy or suffering; also: aid given to those in need*"? Or are we more content to throw a little money at it and call it charity?

In the 18th degree, we learn that "charity is action, for one may have faith and hope, but do nothing to make faith complete or hope result in fruition". Charity is action and the chief virtue and first law of a mason. But what actions are we taking that would

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actually qualify as charity, if we accept the definition above? While the Almoner quietly goes about his business and the foundation continues its' work,

what else is the body of Scottish Rite Masons doing to help – especially in this economy? And what are we as Lodges of Masons, or even as individual Masons doing?

While there are a great number of questions here there are no answers. Each of us must answer for ourselves, for our Lodges, and for the Consistory. But who among us doesn't think there is more that we can and perhaps should be doing?



Greetings from the East

by **Trey Perrin, 32° KCCH**
Venerable Master
Centennial Lodge of Perfection

Greetings brethren, hope you all have had a good start to this New Year. I think the Denver Scottish Rite had a great start to the year with one of the best attended Burns Dinners that we have ever had. A truly great job by the Knights of St. Andrew. They are commended for putting on a fantastic event!

There are two events coming up this spring worth noting. The annual Ladies Luncheon on Saturday April 28th and the regional reunion in May. I think I have a couple of candidates lined up already for the reunion.

As part of my year in the East, I am planning a few events to strengthen the ties of brotherhood. I have not seen us do these types of things since I have been around the Denver Scottish Rite. First off, we will try to post meetings of Masonic Education and refreshments at a local establishment. Hopefully, this should be a more enjoyable way to do education and not extend the stated meetings. Also, Bro. Bobby Juchem is working on an outing to the Air Force-Navy football game. Finally, I am planning on having “official” visits to the Scottish Rite Bodies in both Cheyenne and Colorado Springs. I am hoping many of you can make it out for one, or all, of these events.

I am looking ahead to this year as Venerable Master and feel truly honored to serve you all in this position.

Fraternally,
Trey Perrin, 32° KCCH

There is an excellent article on operative and speculative Masonry in the March 2012 Grand Junction Scottish Rite newsletter. Bro. Ben Williams, 32°, does a superb job on this topic. Spend a few minutes reading the article at:

<http://homepage.mac.com/gjaasr/AASR/Newsletters/Mar12.pdf>



Focus on Committees

By Rich Silver, 32°

As we all know the Membership Committee has been a part of our Consistory since the beginning. This committee is the key to our future as we look down the road. Beginning this year, the Membership Committee is in the very capable hands of Steve Hubbard who has hit the ground running to bring a new energy to the committee. Did you know that the Membership Committee also includes three other committees?

Ambassadors – The Ambassadors is a group of Brothers that work with the Blue Lodges to communicate the activities of the Consistory and promote membership to our only source for new members.

Mentors – The Mentors are working with Brothers coming in through the Spring and Fall Reunions. How many times have you seen a Class that is excited when they go through the Degrees, but only come to a couple of Stated Meetings or we rarely see them again. The Mentors are acting as the conduit to connect new Brothers to activities in the Consistory that will get them involved.

Brother to Brother – This committee has been active over the past several months reconnecting with Brothers that have been suspended or are soon to be suspended and Brothers that we have not seen in a while. It is heartwarming to connect with Brothers that feel that they may have been forgotten and just chat.

Over the coming months we will be exploring the activities of these and other committees in the Consistory in greater detail.

Live Up to Your Potential . . .

* When we do the best we can, we never know what miracle is wrought in our life or the life of another.

-Helen Keller



An Appeal to Life Members in the Valley of Denver

Since 1944 when annual dues were \$8, there have been 1,251 Scottish Rite Freemasons in the Orient of Colorado, Valley of Denver, who purchased Life Memberships. The original cost of those Life Memberships cannot be accurately determined, because all Life Memberships prior to 2000 are recorded as \$500 in the corpus of the fund. In 1999 the price of Life Memberships changed to \$750 for those less than 75 years old and \$200 for those 75 and older (annual dues were \$50). During 2007 the regular price increased to \$1,200 (\$500 over 75 years old) and annual dues increased to \$70. Since 2009 annual dues have been \$80 and a Life Membership costs \$2,000 (25 times dues). Since 2007 only 19 Life Memberships have been purchased, all of whom are still living. There are currently 705 living Life Members.

For many years the return on the investment was very good and the Life Membership Fund increased so that withdrawing an amount to pay the dues of participants did not create any concern. The issue has now come to the surface because investment income has been completely flat during the past ten years while dues have increased from \$50 (5,526 members) in 2001 to \$100 for 2013 (2,852 members at the end of 2011). Four years ago \$72,480 was withdrawn to pay life members' 2008 dues, bringing the balance of the Fund down to the \$604,864 contributed corpus. At that time the Fund policy was changed to limit annual withdrawals to 4% of the Fund, but not below the corpus amount. This has resulted in about a \$50,000 decrease in operating funds each year since then. Expenses have been trimmed wherever possible, but projected revenues are still not enough to balance the budget. While this is a lot of numbers and dates, it's necessary to help explain how we arrived at our current situation.

The reasoning behind the Life Membership program was that when the payment amount (corpus) was invested, the earnings from that investment would provide payment of the forgiven dues each year and that those payments would continue to help the Consistory grow even after the member was deceased. Returns on investments above the withdrawal rate would help the Fund grow to cover future dues increases. The two main motivations members have cited for purchasing life memberships are (1) to provide a legacy to support the future of Scottish Rite Freemasonry in the Denver area and (2) to avoid paying future dues.

For those whose motivation was to provide a legacy, the program has been successful. When a life member passes away, the corpus he contributed is transferred to a Memorial Fund and his name is listed on the Memorial Roll plaque in the green room. There are currently four levels of recognition on that plaque: under \$1,000; from \$1,000 to \$4,999; from \$5,000 to \$9,999; and \$10,000 and above. When the balance of the Memorial Fund exceeds the current corpus of \$257,700 that was contributed by the 546 deceased life members, the Consistory will receive \$10,308 each and every year. Additional memorial contributions add to that total.

For those whose motivation was to avoid paying future dues, the purchase has been a very successful investment for the life member, returning over 100% in value in just the last ten years and is now returning \$100 each year in membership dues value (20% annual return). That result is not good for the Consistory because the \$500 purchase price that most life members paid is only returning \$20 (4% withdrawal) to the Consistory. This result is more detrimental to our finances because the Supreme Council has gradually increased the annual per capita over the last five years from \$10 until it will be \$20 per member beginning in 2013. The revenue in 2013 from current life members who paid \$500 will only cover their per capita and will not be contributing toward the annual operating expenses of our Consistory. Beginning in 2013 a purchase price of \$2,500 (25 times dues) will be necessary to support the 4% withdrawal that replaces their dues of \$100. For those of us that paid less than \$2,500, other Consistory members will be subsidizing our membership.

Please consider making a memorial contribution to Denver Consistory to help cover the revenue shortfall from the life membership program. An additional contribution of \$500 will double the annual revenue that will be received from your life membership, while a contribution of \$2,000 would bring you to the level of those currently purchasing life memberships and cover the full amount of your dues. Any amount that you contribute will help the Consistory cover the difference between its revenues and expenditures. As of the date of this article five life members have contributed an additional \$4,080. If you are unable to contribute at this time, please consider adding Denver Consistory Memorial Fund as a beneficiary of an insurance policy or as a beneficiary in your will. Contributions can also be made in the names of friends and relatives, regardless of whether they were Scottish Rite Masons. Please help preserve Scottish Rite Freemasonry in the Denver Metropolitan area.



Just My Opinion ...
by D. J. Cox, 33°

My good friend, Bro. Lincoln Soule, 33° has an interesting perspective that I would like our readers to think about. It is the featured article in this month's newsletter. Be honest. Do you ever stop to think about charity other than to contemplate how much or to whom?

After reading Linc's article, I spent a little time researching charity in a more than superficial depth or methodology. There is no shortage of material on the subject. Masonry expounds on the subject in a variety of ways. For example, in the first degree, we are told to practice Charity. We are told to "to have Faith in G-d, Hope of immortality, and charity for all mankind" ... charity extends beyond the grave, through the boundless realm of eternity" and so on.

Bro. George E. Fraser, as Grand President Acacia Fraternity, wrote "strictly speaking, charity is an act done freely, and spontaneously out of friendship, not as a civic duty and grudgingly, as is sometimes the case in public charity. The Masonic use of the word is much nearer this original sense, for a Mason extends relief to a needy brother not as a duty but out of friendship."

Our distinguished Brother Frazer goes on to speak about the problems in masonic charity. He asks questions like "what does our experience show?" or "what methods have proven unfortunate in their results?" or "what methods have succeeded in distributing charitable funds to the greatest possible advantage?" as insights to these problems.

There are many trappings associated with charity that can be instructive or destructive. These trappings include education, sentimentality, guilt, and even frustration. Is the form of charity accomplishing its desired purpose? Do we understand the principles surrounding the charity and its needs? Can we explain the charity to our brothers? Has support been solicited and

encouraged? ... or was it *coerced* or *demande*d? Do brothers feel like they *have* to participate or that they *want* to participate? Does the participation in the particular charity enhance masonic principles and provide education supported by history and moral expectation?

From the Roman times, charity has served many purposes and masters. To masons, for masons, charity is really the substitution of the friend for the stranger. Charity from masons to others, while different, serves the same purpose. It is meant to be a helping hand, a lift up from difficulties.

All true Masons meet upon the same level, regardless of wealth or station. In giving assistance,

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Masons strive to avoid the too common error of considering charity only as that of assisting the poor and unfortunate with monetary or "in kind" donations. We have more *brotherly* aspirations. To such charity,

there is a reciprocity which is rich in brotherly love and sincere appreciation.

I'm not particularly sentimental or emotional in most endeavors, but charity might be an exception. I like to support certain charitable endeavors because it makes me feel good and it serves a constructive purpose. I think most of the people I know feel that way. I get angry when I am made to feel guilty if I don't support a particular charity. That's not what it's supposed to be about. It is also *not* about getting credit for doing good deeds. It is, and always was, about supporting those in need for the simple reason that good deeds or charity is friendship by another name. Our time in life is fleeting and we need all the friends we can get.

Anyway, that's my opinion.





Meet your Brothers

By Jack White, 32° KCCH

Darren Klinefelter was raised in Boulder #45 in October 2008 and is presently sitting as Senior Warden. He joined the Denver Consistory in November 2009 and is part of the Costume Committee. Darren is very busy in many of the activities and Committees in the Consistory. He also plays a big part in the Knights of St. Andrew as he is serving as Junior Warden. He stays very active, and is a member of several casts for the Reunion Degrees. He has studied and mastered the Senior Warden part for the Rose Croix Funeral Team, and has completed the Master Craftsman – Level 1 Program. (When does he have the time?).



Darren and his wife, Jeannine, have one daughter (Heather). Jeannine is expecting another child in August, 2012. Darren and Jeannine reside in Golden, CO.

Darren is from Pittsburg, PA and probably is a Pittsburgh Steeler fan (do not sell your Bronco Tickets to him!). He is a lead carpenter for BW construction in Boulder.

As an avid outdoorsman, Darren loves to hike, back pack, camp hunt, fly-fish, (getting tired already) and many other outdoor activities. He is certified as an Excellent Sommelier for Wine and is working on his Master Sommelier.

Darren says he cannot bear to be idle. From what I see, I believe it.

WB Al Ulibarri has been a mason since 2002. He was Master of South Denver #93 in 2006. Al joined the Denver Consistory in 2002 and is a Past Master of Kadosh. Al is very active in the Consistory family, as he was a director of the 14th degree, and is now the Assistance Director General. Al is active in the York Rite as well and has been the presiding officer over all three (3) of the bodies to which he belongs.



He was appointed in the Grand Chapter Line in 2010 and is now Grand Royal Arch Captain.

Al is the owner and operator of a Cabinet Shop. He has been a big part of the Denver Consistory, even before he became a Mason. If you have a chance to see the beautiful cabinetry around the Consistory along with the Paneling, thank him, for he performed that work even before he became a member of the Consistory. He is married to Christine and has 5 children.

If he has any time left (not much as you can see), he likes to relax by fishing, golfing and restoring Knight Templar Swords. He also has a classic car that he restoring.

When you see Al, he will always have a smile on his face and his hand out to you.

Grover L. Sardeson has been a mason for over 30 years. He holds membership in Tyrain #508 in Sioux City, IA and Jacques de Molay #171 in Denver, CO. Grover has served as Worshipful Master three (3) times for Jacques De Molay lodge. WB Sardeson also holds plural memberships in Sioux City and Denver Consistories. Grover serves on the Library Committee and directs the 28th degree during the Consistory Reunions.

WB and Ill. Brother Grover is a Fishmonger. For those who do not know what fishmonger means, the definition is “one who sells fish and has been trained at selecting and purchasing, handling, gutting, boning, filleting, displaying, merchandising and selling the product”. He manages the fresh seafood department for Shamrock Foods in Denver.

Grover enjoys reading, hiking and politics (hard to believe one enjoys that!). He says he relaxes by taking a four (4) mile hike around the neighborhood, doing yard work and surfing the Internet. He looks forward to attending Masonic events and communications. The fellowship he enjoys during these times mean a lot to him. If he ever retires, he wants to acquire a musical instrument and learn to play it. Who knows, he may become one of the “pipers”.

Grover always has his hand out to shake a brother’s hand and welcome him. His friendliness is contagious.



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

The February Stated

Meeting continued the flurry of reports that summarize our results from 2011, including the Life Membership report, the Almoner's report and the Membership Report (we had 2,852 at the end of the year). If you have any questions about the reports, phone the Secretary in the Consistory office at 303-861-4261. We also recognized several accomplishments:

Personal Representative David W. Powell presented the blue hat of a 50 year member to Ralph T. Warehime, 32°, with assistance from his wife Grace, who also helped with the lapel pin.



This picture (l to r) shows John E. Thompson, 32°, Mark W Ralston, 32°, Scott A Bates, 32°, Robert A Salazar, 32°, Darren R Klinefelter, 32°, Bart D Wegner, 32°, and Jarrod N Abel, 32°, who received the Consistory Jewel for their service to Scottish Rite Freemasonry.



Not to be outdone, several members of the last reunion class were present to receive their patents, class pictures and name badges. Welcome brethren, let us help each of you find a way to become involved in the upcoming Scottish Rite Regional Reunion to be held at Denver Consistory on May 10-12.



"Ol' Ramrod", portrayed by Illustrious Brother John Russell, 33°, provided the entertainment with a very interesting



presentation that traced the history of the exploration of the west in the early 1800's, embellished with props and stories of mountain men.

The stated meeting concluded with a Powerpoint presentation that addressed the financial future of Denver Consistory. Look for the related article in this issue.

The Supreme Council Leadership

Conference will be held in San Diego on March 9th and 10th. Eleven officers from the Valley of Denver will attend to bring back information about the Supreme Council's emphasis on leadership and membership issues to help guide future activities.

The 9Health Fair will be located at Denver Consistory Saturday, April 14. Plan now to get that neglected medical checkup at attractive prices. Contact our coordinator Bill Hickey, 32° KCCH, if you would like to volunteer to help at this event.

Doors Open Denver will include Denver Consistory on Sunday, April 15. When we were last invited to participate two years ago, we had over 700 visitors. You can see that we will need a lot of volunteer guides to conduct tours of our building. Come learn about the history of our historic building and answer questions from the public about Scottish Rite Freemasonry.

The Next Stated Meeting will be on March 20. Following a shepherd's pie dinner the program will be the annual Renewal and Remembrance presentation by the Rose Croix officer line. Plan to attend and support this important event supporting the Scottish Rite commitments.



Fall leaves

- In the cycle of life and death
- With the orbits of the planets within our solar system
- The circulating of a candidate around the lodge room floor
- In the symbol of the snake eating his tail
- Moisture in the form of rain that falls from the sky, runs to the oceans, is evaporated, turned into clouds, which when heavy enough falls as rain
- And lastly - Reaching the last degree and finding yourself with the key in hand to open the gate and realizing that you now need to revisit all degrees that you have just went through and put that which you have learned to the principles found there.

Between the Columns

by Michael D. Moore, 32°



A Spring Flower

Cycles

March is here and this time of the year always makes me think of cycles. Winter is gone, spring is not quite here and we look with eagerness to the coming of life, where green is seen everywhere and warm weather arrives.

Cycles are a very Masonic theme, one which everyone should be familiar with and it can be seen many ways:



Winter trees

So, it should not surprise us when we see Spring come once again to a cold, dead earth. The cycles of nature mirror what goes on in each of us, in the world and the uttermost extremes of the galaxy. The life principle of cycles or rhythms is a simple theme found all around you. If you have not realized this yet, it is time that you should get to know more about this principle. Cycles give us hope when we die, knowledge that Spring or renewal will come once again after the coldest days of winter and that love once started will always return from whence it came.

One cycle or rhythm we all know of is the cycle of Reunions we have. We feel them as they get close; once past – are thankful and then anxious for the next one that is ahead.



Summer View

When we stop and think about it, motion in all forms show life or a living principle within it, no matter how small or large the object. If it moves, chances are there is life of some form in it. There is one item in our Masonic life that should not be cyclic – service and charity. They should be found in us and our actions all through the Masonic year. So the question now arises; are you moving and live Masonically?

The Archive Committee wants to thank the King Wheeler Fund for a generous donation to help restore, repair and display some of our rich history. The grant will restore a number of class pictures that have never been on display and further our history and education of how we arrived to where we are today.

Also, the committee is looking for any old Rocky Mountain Class pictures or information. If you have items from it that you would like to donate to our collection, we would be very glad to add it to our records. You can drop it off at the office or give it

Our minds cannot harbor all thoughts. If we clutter them up with prejudices and hatreds, with pettiness and poisoned memories, we are abusing a delicate and precious instrument. The art of discrimination involves great care in the choice of thought to which we grant a seat in the arena of our minds.

-Sidney Greenberg

History Colorado Speaker

By Audrey Ford

Dr. Derek R. Everett, 32° had the privilege and honor of being the guest speaker for the History Colorado monthly Lecture Series on February 21, 2012 at the Scottish Rite Masonic Center Auditorium.



The 2011–2012 lecture series focuses on recent history: the people, places, and ideas we've witnessed, read about, pondered, and experienced. Attendees will get a glimpse of Colorado during the social and political upheavals of the 1960s and 1970s as we explore the communes of southern Colorado, and learn what it was like for one of the Little Rock Nine to move here in the '60s. There will be presentations which allow those present to discover the political legacies of Patricia Schroeder, the first woman from Colorado elected to the U.S. House of Representatives, and Byron White, the only Coloradan appointed to the Supreme Court. There will be opportunities to explore environmental issues with lectures on wildfires and Colorado's ever-present battle over water.

The title of Bro. Everett's lecture was *A Dome Where the Buffalo Roamed: Preserving Our Capitol*. He talked about the architect, the structure itself and the needed repairs. Recent doomsday reports on the building's condition inspired renovation and historic preservation proposals, including current repairs to the dome.

Dr. Everett is teaching at both Colorado State University and Metro State College along with volunteering at the State Capitol. He is the proud papa of an 11 month old daughter and is the grandson of Illustrious Brother Don Emarine.

Dream as if you'll live forever.
Live as if you'll die today.

-James Dean



Knights Of Saint Andrew?

by Mark W. Ralston PVM
Secretary/ Treasurer

Knights and Brethren,

What a great Robert Burns dinner we had. Our attendance this year was 126 people who enjoyed a good Scottish dinner and the young dancers were spectacular as always.

We knighted seven (7) new members and had some great toasts. We are growing but, as always, we welcome new members anytime. As soon as the snow clears we will be having a clean-up day for the outside of the Consistory. We are planning to hold another CPR/AED class in April; all members of the Consistory are welcome to participate. I will give a date in the next Rite Works.

We are accepting orders for our next order of Kilts. They are \$200.00. You get the kilt, shirt, sporran, belt, buckle, socks, and dube.

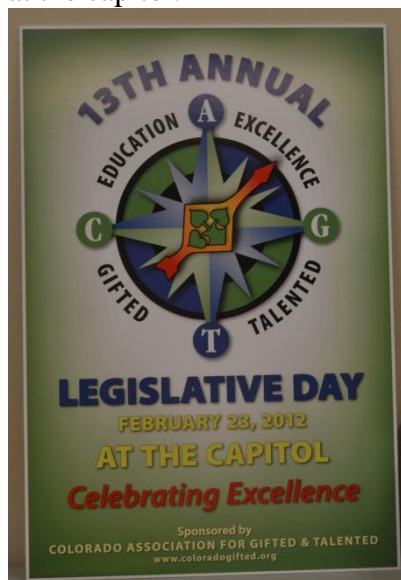
Our year is coming to a close and we will be electing new officers the first Monday in March. Remember that the Spring Reunion is coming very quickly, so get your applications in for new members. I would like to congratulate the Venerable Master Bob Salazar on a great year, and look forward to the future of this great organization

We also have a reunion coming up in Guthrie, Ok. March 29 through April 1. I hope that we can have a good showing for the first reunion of the Knights, and the 19th year that the Knights have been existence. It will be our 9th year, as our first year was 2003. Hope to see all the Knights at the March 5th meeting.

13th Annual Legislative Day

It was a cold and snowy February 23rd, but that didn't stop about 250 kids associated with the COLORADO ASSOCIATION FOR GIFTED AND TALENTED to make the trek to the Scottish Rite Masonic Center at 6:00 AM.

They had their orange juice and pastries before walking across the street to shadow and be mentored by the Colorado Legislature. They came in their finest – boys in white shirts, ties, and sport coats and the girls in nice dresses. They were ready to learn the inner workings of the Senate and House of Representatives. They sat in on committee meetings, heard testimony, walked the halls with the Governor and had an exciting, informative day at the capitol.



The kids along with a good number of the legislature came back to the Scottish Rite Masonic Center for a wonderful lunch prepared by our own Chef Michael. These kids had a day to remember. They are the future leaders of our

country and we are happy to provide the venue for these learning experiences.





9 Health Fair

0700-1200

Saturday

14 April 2012

by Bill Hickey, 32° KCCH

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Thanks to everyone who has already contacted us to sign up for the fair. It is **IMPORTANT** that you let us know your intent to volunteer **NOW** for us to plan assignments to meet our needs. If you want to volunteer and have not yet contacted us, the **PREFERRED** way is to go to the 9 Health Fair web (<http://www.9healthfair.org>) select “volunteer for a fair” and follow the prompts. USE April 14 as the date you want to volunteer and select the Consistory (there might be two fairs that day). Failing that, **CALL ME** at 303-494-0384 and leave a message with your name, phone, and email contact information. I will get back to you or refer you to one of my co-coordinators.

So, just exactly **WHAT** is the significance of that “9” above? Well, typically it means the 9 **DAYS** of health fairs in April – but over the years, fairs have been held before and after the “normal” window – and we have done that at the consistory as well.

More importantly, “9” can also refer to the **NINE REASONS** you want to take care of **YOUR** health. Did you know that heart disease is the #1 killer in America? In the past, heart disease and heart attacks have been mostly associated with men. Recent studies have increased the awareness that the problem is on the rise for women as well – more women die from heart disease than from any other disease and their risk begins to rise around age 55. Both men and women need to put prevention tactics into place **EARLY**.

So, here are the **NINE** steps you can take to help reduce your chances of getting heart disease:

1. Know your **BLOOD PRESSURE**, and keep it under control.
2. Exercise regularly – strenuous exercise is **NOT** essential.
3. Don't smoke. If you smoke, quit.
4. Get tested for **DIABETES**. If you have it, keep it under control.

5. Know your **CHOLESTEROL** and **TRIGLYCERIDE** levels and control them.
6. Eat lots of fruits and vegetables.
7. Maintain a healthy weight.
8. See your doctor regularly for a physical, and when you feel more than just a little “out of sorts.”
9. Participate in (and volunteer if possible) at a 9Health Fair near you and give the results to your doctor at your next visit.

See you at the fair.

THE MODEL MASON

by Brother Rob Morris

**There's a fine old Mason in the land, he's genial, wise
and true,
His list of brothers comprehends, hear brothers, me
and you;
So warm his heart the snow blast fails to chill his
generous blood,
And his hand is like a giant's when outstretched to
man or God; --
Reproach nor blame, nor any shame,
has checked his course or dimmed his fame --
All honor to his name!**

**This fine old Mason is but one of a large family:
In every lodge you'll find his kin, you'll find them two
or three;
You'll know them when you see them, for they have
their father's face,
A generous knack of speaking truth and doing good
always; --
Reproach nor blame, nor any shame,
has checked their course or dimmed their fame --
Freemason is their name!**

**Ah, many an orphan smiles upon the kindred as they
pass;
And many a widow's prayers confess the
sympathizing grace;
The Father of this Brotherhood himself is joyed to
see;
Their works -- they're numbered all in Heaven, those
deeds of charity!
Reproach nor blame, nor any shame,
there check their course or dim their fame --
All honor to their name!**

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 Inspectors 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.

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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."



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CALENDAR

2011 Denver Consistory Schedule

March

Mon	Mar 19		Stated Meeting - Parking garage available
		5:30 PM	Red Room Business Meeting
		6:00 PM	Dinner
			<i>Shepherd's Pie – Crème de mint ice cream w/cookie</i>
		7:00 PM	Split Meeting
		8:15 PM	Celebration of Remembrance and Renewal

April

Sat	Apr 14	7:00 AM	9 Health Fair - Parking garage available (Fair closes at noon)
Sat	Apr 15	9:00 AM	Doors Open Denver
Mon	Apr 16		Stated Meeting - Parking garage available
		5:30 PM	Red Room Business Meeting
		6:00 PM	Dinner
			<i>Swiss Steak – Red Velvet cake</i>
		7:00 PM	Past Presiding Officers recognition - 5 minute Oration by Orator of Centennial Lodge of Perfection
		7:30 PM	Split Meeting
Sat	Apr 30	11:30 AM	Ladies Lunch - Parking garage available

May

Wed	May 9	6:00 PM	Spring Reunion (40 th Consecutive) - Children's Hospital Colorado
Thu	May 10	7:00 AM	Spring Reunion (40 th Consecutive) - Parking garage available
Fri	May 11	7:00 AM	Spring Reunion (40 th Consecutive) - Parking garage available
Sat	May 12	7:00 AM	Spring Reunion (40 th Consecutive) - Parking garage available
Mon	May 21		Stated Meeting - Parking garage available
		5:30 PM	Red Room Business Meeting
		6:00 PM	Dinner
			<i>Pork Chops – Strawberry Short cake</i>
		7:00 PM	Entertainment
		7:30 PM	Split Meeting –
			5 minute oration by Orator of Rocky Mountain Chapter of Rose Croix
Mon	May 28		Consistory closed for Memorial Day holiday

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

Temple Web-a-thon!

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