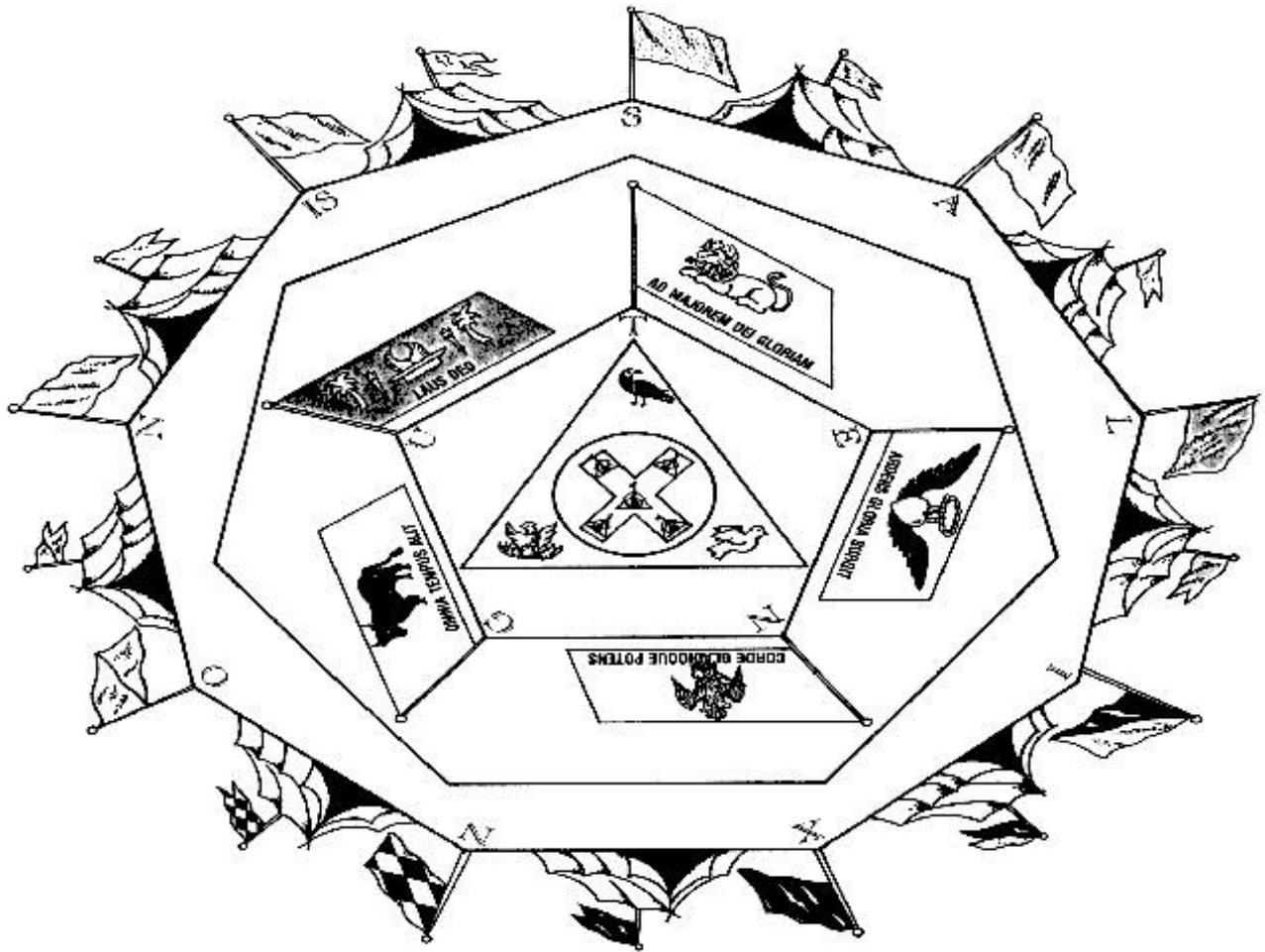


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*Learning is not attained by chance. It must be sought for with ardor and attended to with diligence.*

Abigail Adams

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# REMEMBRANCE

*The heart hath its own memory, like the mind. And in it are enshrined  
the precious keepsakes, into which is wrought the giver's loving thought. ~ H.W. Longfellow*

## ~In Memoriam~

### BROTHER

William Theodore Anker, 32°

Marvin William Bohman, 32°

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Rose Croix Services: None

### CALLED HOME

9/8/2012

3/5/2013

4/9/2012



# CALENDAR

## 2013 Denver Consistory Schedule

### May

Wed-Sat	May 8-11		Spring Reunion (42 <sup>nd</sup> Consecutive) <b>Parking garage available</b>
Mon	May 20		Stated Meeting - <b>Parking garage available</b>
		5:30 PM	Red Room Business Meeting
		6:00 PM	Dinner ( <i>Pork Chops and Cheesecake w/fresh fruit</i> )
		7:00 PM	Entertainment
		7:30 PM	Split meeting-5 minute Oration by Orator of RMCRC
Mon	May 27		Denver Consistory closed for Memorial Day holiday

### June

Mon	Jun 3	7:30PM	Second Masonic Education Monday "Council of Kadosh and the Modern Scottish Rite Mason"
Mon	Jun 17		Stated Meeting - <b>Parking garage available</b>
			Hawaiian Shirt night
		5:30 PM	Red Room Business Meeting
		6:00 PM	Dinner ( <i>Barbequed Salmon and Strawberry Shortcake</i> )
		7:00 PM	Entertainment
		7:30 PM	Split meeting-5 minute Oration by Orator of CCK

### July

Thur-Fri	Jul 4-5		Denver Consistory closed for Independence Day holiday
Sat	Jul 20	5:00 PM	Educational Program - <b>Parking garage available</b>
			Ladies and guests invited
		6:30 PM	Shrimp Boil

### August

Sat	Aug 17		All Masonic Picnic in cooperation with Grand Lodge, Shrine and ESMRC
Wed	Aug 21	6:00 PM	Officers' Mid-year Planning Dinner Meeting
Sat-Wed	Aug 24-28		Supreme Council Biennial Session, Washington D.C.

**Note:** all menus are listed on our web page at [www.denverconsistory.org](http://www.denverconsistory.org)

### Second Masonic Education Monday

Monday June 3rd at 7:30 - 9:00PM

WB Michael Moore will be doing a presentation entitled "Council of Kadosh and the Modern Scottish Rite Mason" This looks like it will be an excellent presentation and we encourage everyone to come down and hear it.

It will be open to all Master Masons, whether they are Scottish Rite or not. Lets have a great turnout for WB Mike...

This can be an excellent tool to recruit those brothers who are not yet Scottish Rite; it should give them an idea what we are about.

# FEATURE ARTICLE



## What Does It All Mean?

by John Warren, 32° KCCH

After a long winter season experiencing extreme temperature fluctuations and adverse weather conditions on a daily basis, most folks are more than ready for Spring with its milder weather and the scent of mowed grass and fresh flowers, a feeling of Renewal.

From Merriam-Webster's Learning Dictionary, we find that RENEWAL means "The state of being made new, fresh or strong again. From the Free Dictionary, we find that REUNION means a meeting or social gathering of persons acquainted with each other through some former event or connection.

Our Spring Reunion begins in just a few more days. What an opportunity we now have to experience what Renewal is all about.

Degree Directors have formed their casts and scheduled practices. The many committees have all been making their plans to assure smooth presentations of degrees.

If asked, all these hundreds of Brothers who work so hard for so many hours would probably say they do it so the new Scottish Rite Mason would have a meaningful experience.

While this is true, possibly a deeper, more personal reason exists for some. If you were to ask a thousand Masons why they spend the time they do here, then you may well have a thousand different answers, ranging from dedication and honor all the way down to those who seek the rewards.

Walter Lippmann once said: *"A man has honor if he holds himself to an ideal of conduct though it is inconvenient, unprofitable or dangerous to do so."* Hmmm!!!

We all have a "LOOK HOW GREAT I AM" wall somewhere in our homes, and on mine, there are two items only. One item is from a very long time ago and the other is from just a few months ago.

Both remind me of difficult challenges I faced in life, met those challenges and, then moved on. After completing each obligation, I had a warm glow inside of me that comes from completing what I was not sure in the beginning that I could.

The first and oldest item is a photograph of my Army Basic Training Platoon from 1965 and the newer item is the plaque I was awarded last January for having completed my term as an Officer for Denver Consistory.

By now, you are probably asking yourself how all this relates to Renewal and Reunions. The answer is pretty simple. Both items remind me that it took a Brotherhood, a Band of Brothers, working together towards a common goal to complete the task.

That is what happens at our Reunions....a Band of Brothers working together towards a common goal.

I will probably never see any of the men I served with in 1965, but military service led to a career in the National Guard that ultimately led to retirement. I still have regular contact with many of THOSE brothers who also happen to be Masonic Brothers.

I am no longer a Consistory Officer, but the many activities available to any one keep me active at Denver Consistory.

I have long commented that all Scottish Rite Masons should find their own "niche" and excel while not ignoring the other aspects of Masonry.

Lucille Ball once said: *"I'd rather regret the things I've done than regret the things I haven't done."*

RENEWAL/REUNIONS? My experiences in 1965 as well as what I have accomplished in Masonry could not have happened without this Brotherhood mentioned earlier.

Sometimes I take a moment to just think and look around and know that I did none of this by myself.

The very definitions of the two words listed earlier certainly apply.

I feel refreshed and renewed when participating or just watching as a sideliners during Reunions not just at Denver Consistory, but in Colorado Springs and Grand Junction as well.

Visiting other Consistories during their Reunions is an option available to all of you. What you will experience is the same degrees, perhaps staged a little differently than in Denver. What you will also experience is the same dedication to the Craft as is present in Denver.

John Adams once said: *“There are two educations. One should teach us how to make a living and the other how to live.”* I am truly learning how to live!



## REUNION?

by Bill Hickey, 32° KCCH

I'm going to take a slightly different look at the concept of a “reunion.”

Most people think of a “reunion” in terms of a family gathering or perhaps a school event where you return after an absence of a given number of years. To Scottish Rite Masons, a reunion is an event where we gather together to welcome the new brothers who have decided to join us in our quest for further enlightenment in Freemasonry by becoming 32<sup>nd</sup> Degree Scottish Rite Masons.

Let's think about this for a moment though. If you've come to even a part of a reunion for which you weren't a cast member, committee member, or candidate – in other words, you were a “sideliner” – you probably noticed one thing in particular. You were either ALONE or you were certainly one of only a small handful of men witnessing the degree work of your brothers. Heck, if you come to a stated meeting, you'll notice a LOT of empty chairs in the auditorium. And, that seems to be all too true in many of our lodges as well.

Let's parse out the word “reunion” for a moment. When we put the prefix “re” onto a word, it usually means to do it again. The second part, “union” means to JOIN TOGETHER. So, in effect, we are

“joining together again” when we come to a “reunion.”

But, why do we reserve that term JUST for the couple of times a year when we do the degrees and bring in new members? Years ago, at least in Tulsa, OK, they didn't use the format we do today to create new Scottish Rite Masons. They had their stated meetings, but they also conducted CLASSES on a given weekend every month, to instruct the new candidates in the degrees of the Scottish Rite. This meant it would take a man 6 months or so to complete all the degree and proficiency work necessary to become a 32<sup>nd</sup> Degree Scottish Rite Mason. Yes, I said “proficiency” work. Of course, that was back in the days (1960's) when the Shrine demanded membership as a 32° Scottish Rite Mason or as a Knight Templar in the York Rite. Times change.

Shouldn't we call EVERY stated meeting a “reunion?” After all, aren't we “joining together again” at these meetings to be with our brothers and perhaps members of their families?

So, WHERE IS EVERYONE? Well, to be sure, it takes a LOT of people to put on these degrees at a reunion – whether we do all 29 of them in one fell swoop as we did a number of years ago, or whether we do about half of them at each of our events today. But, it certainly doesn't take ALL of the 2000 or so members who live in the immediate area to make them happen. But, at a stated meeting, we don't do those degrees. So, where are all these other folks – you know – your brothers who are not on one of the committees needed to conduct our meetings? Why, some of them are working and can't get off to come to dinner, and then sometimes by the time they do get off work, they don't have time to go home and change to come to the meetings. Some are concerned about traffic and parking – although we have access to the garage and the back parking lot in the evenings for our meetings.

I remember my first visit to a lodge in the Denver area. They were doing a 2<sup>nd</sup> degree that night, and the candidate had chosen to do the long-form proficiency for the 1<sup>st</sup> degree. When I showed up as a guest, there were 12 people in the lodge room that would have easily accommodated 200 or more for the

ceremony. I had done a little homework and found that this particular lodge had about 250 members on their rolls, and 40+ living past masters. Yet, when I was there, of those 12 people present, I was one, the candidate was one, and eight of the ten remaining were Past Masters of the Lodge. The sitting master was having his FIRST meeting since being installed, and the Senior Warden had not yet been installed in the east. When I mentioned the situation to my friend, he commented that this was a “pretty good turnout”. 10 people out of 250 – that’s FOUR PERCENT! When did we ever start considering a 4% turnout a “good” thing? Take a look at the stated meetings in the consistory, do a quick count, and then divide by (let’s say) 2500 (who are probably living in or near the metro area. You’ll probably come up with a number that isn’t all that different from the lodge meeting I attended way back when.

I went through my degrees in Scotland, in a rural area. We probably had 3 or 4 small lodges all within 10 miles of the base where I was assigned in the Navy. My Mother Lodge membership was probably 50-60 at any given time (due to the transitory nature of military service) and usually only about 40 - with about 75-80% of the members being assigned to the base. The remaining members were local Scots who were there to give us “stability” in the midst of our own turmoil. Yet, I don’t recall a single meeting where we had less than 30-35 members present. The ONLY men not there would have been any that were sick, those on leave or temporary duty elsewhere, those who were on watch (we had a 24/7/365 watch posture) and those who were on what we called a “double-back” watch (they had already done an 8 hour watch, had 8 hours off to sleep, and then would go back for another 8 hours in the same day).

Chris Hodapp (writer of *Freemasons for Dummies*) once said, “We’re boring our members to death.” By that, he means that we do the same thing, the same way, over and over and over again, to the point that our members are bored and drift away to find something more enlightening, challenging, or interesting. They’re looking for something different, and we’re apparently not giving it to them. So, certainly that might go some distance in explaining why attendance at a stated meeting might be sparse. But, at a reunion, we get new information – new cast

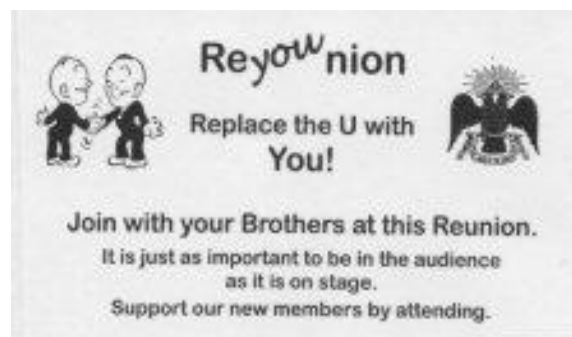
members, new delivery, sometimes new settings, and usually something different on Friday nights along the way. WHY are we not engaging our brothers those two special times a year? We’re also trying new things to give our members options to the traditional stated meetings. Whether we succeed or not will be up to the members themselves. Did we answer their questions or their needs? If not, do we even know what they are?

We can also ask WHY our newly created Scottish Rite Masons don’t usually attend that first stated meeting (usually the Monday following the Saturday set of degrees that finishes the reunion). My guess is ... **they’re worn out**. Maybe we need to give them a little time between the last degree and expecting them to attend a stated meeting? A professor I once had told the class “the brain can absorb only so long as the rear can endure.” Think about that.

There are any number of perfectly legitimate reasons why a man cannot (or does not) come to a meeting or reunion. But, in the final analysis, we need to ask them (and ourselves) WHY? If we don’t understand the motivation – behind why a man joins the Rite and then just drifts away – we can’t possibly begin to try to solve the problem.

If you know a brother who hasn’t been to a meeting in a while, why not give him a call, chat a while, and observe that you haven’t seen him at a meeting in a while and ask if there’s any particular reason why. We’re not trying to cajole them or pester them, but we ARE trying to understand what we need to do to make our “reunions” (yes, including our meetings) more relevant and interesting. We need EVERYONE’S help to do that.

Meanwhile, why not conduct your own “mini-reunion” sometime? We’d love to see you, even if it’s only for a few hours a month, but especially at one of the semi-annual reunion celebrations as well.





## "Around the Table"

by Wayne G. Arner 33°

"Around the Table", has been very quiet these last few months, due to my major Surgery last February and the subsequent recovery that has been the result. I am very grateful for the excellent talents of the staff at Good Samaritan Hospital in Lafayette, CO. I am also very grateful for all the cards, letters and visits from all my Masonic Brothers, friends and associates who communicated with me during this time. Thank you all very much!

There have been other recoveries noted during my absence, notably that of **DAVID SWIFT, 33°**, whose progress has been miraculous, to say the least, and we all should be very happy that he is back among us, bringing his humor with him. I am told that those who viewed the 6'-9" SWIFT getting into and out of the tiny Fiat Coupe of **HARVEY BOWSER, 33°**, were treated to quite an exhibition of contortionism and some unrepeatabe comments! **P.G.M. (h) GERRY FORD, 33°**, has been battling cancer with monthly trips to Good Samaritan Hospital for Infusion, but hasn't missed a luncheon yet, and we are all grateful for his continued good spirits and enthusiasm!

**DICK MITCHELL 33°**, Tiler of the Denver Consistory, recently offered that there is a serious problem of "Intellectual Constipation", occurring in and around, Washington, D.C., and wondered if anyone else noticed this condition? **JERRY SCREWS 33°**, who has been travelling around the Rocky Mountain area since his recent retirement, offered that there is some of the same problem occurring near our beloved Scottish Rite Masonic Center as well! **DEL MILITAIRE 33°**, related that in his experience, no one is ever completely cured of this condition but can be partially rehabilitated, if exposed to continuing amounts of outdoor air and quiet in the Rocky Mountains!

The recent tragic events in Boston have reminded me that we need to keep our thoughts on the recovery of all of the survivors of this terrible occurrence, but at the same time, not to irrationally put the blame for what happened upon any one group or country. As Masons we are taught to look for the Internal and not

the External condition of any individual or group of people before judging them. During my recent travel to the Muslim Country of the Republic of Turkey, I learned that there are many people within their Religion who do not promote violence and they can directly quote from the Koran, passages which clearly state this. Those people who believe this way should receive our unwavering support and assistance now and in the future. Until next time, I'll see you, "Around the Table".

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## PARKING GARAGE RULES

**REUNION:** Parking is allowed in any open spot in the basement, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> floors.

**STATED MEETINGS:** Parking after 5 PM is allowed in any open space in the basement, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> floors, providing the space does not have a "reserved" sign. Parking is not allowed on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor 45 minute spaces or in any space in the basement, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> floors that has a reserved sign or is a double length space. Unauthorized cars parked in those spaces **may be towed** at the owner's expense. In the event there are no unreserved spaces available, you may park in the lot just to the east of the Consistory building after 5:00 PM. Access to that lot is on Logan Street just north of 13th Avenue.

**SPECIAL EVENTS:** Scheduled and announced in advance are similar to stated meetings in that no parking is allowed in a reserved space or double length space.

**ALL OTHER TIMES:** Parking is authorized only in the spaces on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor that are designated as being reserved for Denver Consistory and only for the specified individuals, unless authorized in advance by the specified individual or the Denver Consistory office. You must have either a yellow Denver Consistory Parking pass on your dash or a Denver Consistory Parking decal affixed to your driver's side windshield.





## Just My Opinion ...

by D. J. Cox, 33°

The theme for this month's publication is RENEWAL. What we are really talking about is our semi-annual Reunion beginning this month. Bro. John Warren discusses his perspective in the Feature Article at the beginning of this publication. Next month's issue will highlight the new members and activities witnessed at the Reunion.

I read with a little more than a chuckle what *Scottish Rite for Dummies* (certainly a terrible choice in trying to comprehend and appreciate masonic activities) had to say about our Reunions. Basically it says "The Scottish Rite regularly confers degrees 4 through 32 on its candidates. These higher degree numbers should not be considered higher ranks. The 3rd degree, the Master Mason, is the most important degree in Freemasonry, and any other degrees are considered simply extensions of being a Master Mason." While these words are essentially correct, they do not confer or convey the true scope and beauty of the Rite nor do they portray masonry accurately.

My point being that a Reunion should not be considered a culmination or simplistic depiction of the full breadth and scope of the Rite. It is a huge enlightenment step, but only a step nonetheless.

Not long ago, the Scottish Rite Journal posted an open letter on its web site depicting the next steps for a newly made member after completing a Reunion. These include taking time to appreciate and reflect upon the experiences from the degrees, devoting time to understanding the lessons conveyed, perhaps going back and spending time reading *Bridge To Light* and, importantly, considering to enroll in the Master Craftsman program to acquire a greater and deeper understanding of the enrichment of knowledge available to all Scottish Rite masons.

All of this is extremely beneficial and mostly individually oriented. But what about your day-to-day dealings within the Denver Consistory? How does that fit in with everything else? That, my friend,

is up to you! What do you want and what are you willing to contribute? It really is true that you only get out what you are willing to give. Attendance at Stated Meetings, events and activities is an excellent first step. Participate in degrees, charitable events and Rite community events. There are numerous opportunities to serve and/or participate in your Consistory. Each of us has particular skills to offer to strengthen and assist the Consistory. However, the open letter referenced above does have a cautionary note wherein:

*"whatever you choose to do, remember the Royal Secret that you learned in the 32nd Degree and the teaching of the 24-inch gauge. There are some who think that the True Lost Word of Masonry is the word "No." Masons tend to be eager to serve, and this willingness can sometimes lead to overburdening ourselves. When we take on too much, something has to suffer. We must strive to never take on more than we can bear."*

Keeping this in mind, if you have a particular interest or motivation that drives you and the Rite is lacking some form of support in that interest or motivation, suggest/introduce the activity. It is my experience that new ideas are actively encouraged and solicited.

The best way to contribute to our Consistory is by remembering and living up to our obligations and duties to God, country, family, masonry AND yourself! Nothing should come before this.

Never doubt that our strongest resource is our members. Take advantage of the camaraderie and fellowship available through the Rite --- locally, regionally and nationally. Make new friends and enjoy your old ones. Be together in a spirit of friendship and brotherly love. Encourage your families to become involved whenever possible; don't exclude them when there are opportunities for them to participate. By doing so, you strengthen masonry and you will enjoy it even more.

In closing, consider the following by David Seaberry: *"Enthusiasm is the best protection in any situation. Wholeheartedness is contagious. Give yourself, if you wish to get others."*



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

Monday, May 6 is the absolute deadline for petitions for the May 9-11 reunion. The officers will meet that evening at 6:00 pm to approve all of the petitions received after the April stated meeting.

Don't Forget that the reunion begins at 8:00 am on Thursday, May 9. Plan to witness at least a few degrees and meet the new members of your Consistory.

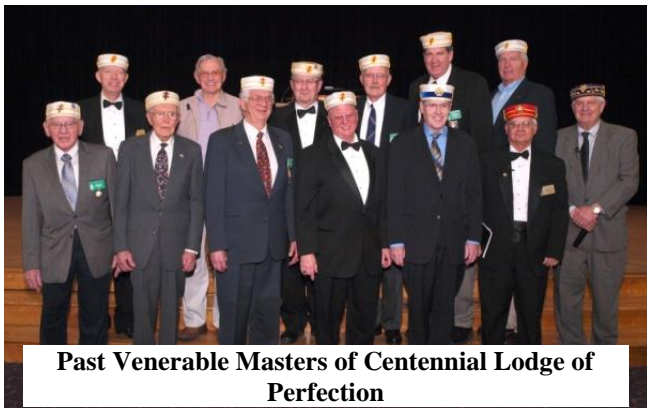
At the April stated meeting past presiding officers were recognized for their service to the Scottish Rite.



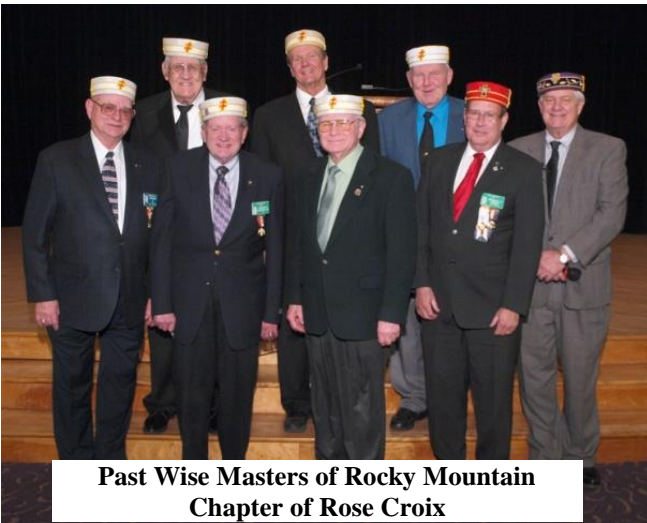
**Past Commanders of Kadosh of Colorado  
Council of Kadosh**



**Past Masters of Kadosh of Denver Consistory**



**Past Venerable Masters of Centennial Lodge of  
Perfection**



**Past Wise Masters of Rocky Mountain  
Chapter of Rose Croix**

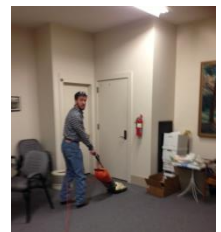
The 9Health Fair was again a rousing success. The weather was cooperative and residents in the area have come to expect our participation. Kudos to Bill Hickey, 32° KCCH, and his army of volunteers.



**The Knights  
of St Andrew**

spruced up Denver Consistory with a workday on Saturday, April 20.

The Knights were led by their Venerable Master Lew Martell, ably assisted by Darren Klinefelter (pictured with vacuum), Larry Tygart (not pictured), Jade Gibbon, Bart Wegner, and Randy Penn KCCH. Trash removal, dusting, vacuuming and general cleanup gave our facility a fresh look in



time for the upcoming reunion. Many thanks to the Knights! Thanks also to Bill Klatil, 33°, for his help and for these pictures.

**The Ladies Luncheon** on Saturday, April 27 will be a memory by the time you receive this. Thank you to the honormen and officers that volunteered as drivers and waiters to honor the ladies that enrich our lives.

**The Supreme Council webcast** on Saturday, May 18 is designed to raise money for both the renovation of the House of the Temple in Washington, DC and for our local centers in Colorado. Tune in to this entertaining and educational event on your computer by going to [www.scottishrite.org](http://www.scottishrite.org) on the internet. The webcast starts at 4:00 pm MDT and continues through 10:00 pm with comedian Norm Crosby, the Grand Commander and a cast of surprise visitors. **A Better idea.** Come to the Denver Consistory activities room between 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm where you can share snacks and beverages with your Scottish Rite brothers and their families. The webcast will be on the monitor and conversation will be lively.



**The theme of next month's newsletter is Patriotism (responsibilities, history and future). Anyone wishing to contribute an article on this subject, and we most heartily encourage participation by all members, should have their input to the office by May 27, 2013.**

## Grandpa's Wooden Chest

Author Unknown (provided by James Smith, 33°)

*I hated to hear the lawyer say,  
The things my grandpa gave away.  
Like his old truck to Dad & Mom,  
And World War medals to Uncle John.*

*My name was called,  
And something was said,  
About an old wooden box,  
Underneath his bed.*

*Just a worn out chest,  
With a rusty hinge,  
But I knew grandpa kept,  
Something special within.*

*When I opened the lid,  
All I could see,  
Were some unusual tools,  
And a letter to me.*

*A large fancy cloth,  
With two long strings,  
A small wooden hammer,  
Among other things.*

*He wrote a man's job,  
Is to be a good husband Father and a friend,  
I built my life as best I could,  
By the tools laid here within.*

*He said the compasses remind me that life has boundaries,  
So live your life within,  
The Square proves true and so should you,  
When dealing with all your friends.*

*Be an honorable man and walk uprightly,  
According to the Plumb,  
The level teaches us treat all men equal,  
Instead of only some.*

*And now it's your turn,  
To start your journey for knowledge, love, and faith,  
So live your life by the Square and Compasses,  
And tools of your trade.*

*Many years have passed by since I first opened,  
Grandpa's wooden chest,  
The tools he gave me,  
The words he wrote,  
The challenge to be my best.*

*Today I'll visit Grandpa,  
At the place where he was laid,  
To let him know he can be proud,  
I'm a master of my trade.*

why us "Old-timers" have so much trouble with computers. (provided by James Smith, 33°)

# TECHNOLOGY

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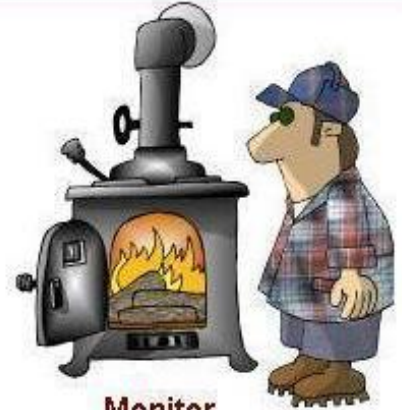
**Log On**

Makin' the stove hotter



**Log Off**

Coolin' 'er down



**Monitor**

Keepin' an eye on 'er



**Micro-Chip**

Whut's in the bottom of the muchie bag



**Modem**

Whutcha do ta the hay fields



**Dot Matrix**

Dot Coms name after she got hitched ta Dan Matrix



**Screen**

Whut ta shut when its black fly season



**Byte**

Whut dem dang flies do



**Chip**

Munchies fer the TV



**Download**

Gitten the farwood off'n the truck



**Mega hertz**

When yer not keerfull gitten the farwood



**Floppy Disk**

Whutcha git from tryin ta tote too much farwood



**RAM**

That thar thang what splits farwood



**Hard Drive**

Gitten home in the winter time



**Windows**

Whut ta shut when its cold outside



**Screen**

Whut ta shut when its black fly season



**Byte**

Whut dem dang flies do



**Chip**

Munchies fer the TV



**Micro-Chip**

Whut's in the bottom of  
the muchie bag



**Modem**

Whutcha do ta the hay fields



**Dot Matrix**

Dot Coms name after she got  
hitched ta Dan Matrix



**Laptop**

Whar the kittie naps



**Keyboard**

What ya hang the dang truck keys



**Software**

Them thar plastic forks 'n knives



**Mouse**

Whut eats the grain in the barn



**Mouse Pad**

Thats jes hippie talk fer where the mouse lives



**Mainframe**

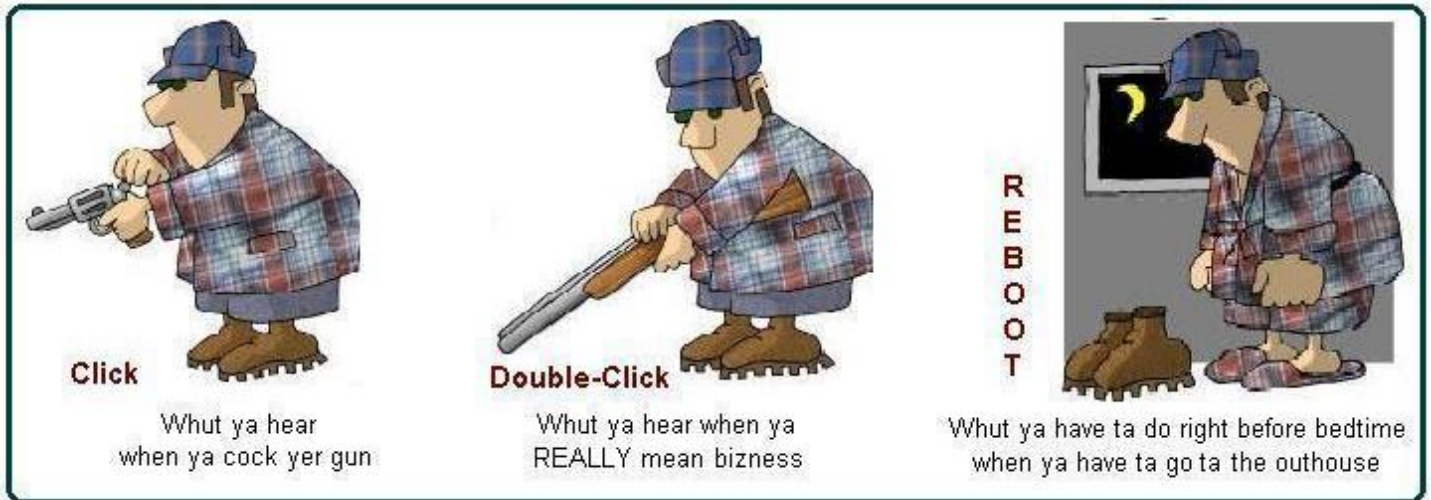
Holds up the barn roof

**Port**

Fancy schmanticie flatlander wine

**Enter**

Duh! How ya git in the house



**Click**

Whut ya hear when ya cock yer gun

**Double-Click**

Whut ya hear when ya REALLY mean bizness

**R  
E  
B  
O  
O  
T**

Whut ya have ta do right before bedtime when ya have ta go ta the outhouse

***MOVED RECENTLY?  
CHANGED EMAIL ADDRESSES?***

*by Audrey Ford*

Obviously, if you're getting the notices for the monthly RiteWorks, we have your email ... UNLESS you have been told about the issue by a friend. The office needs to keep their records in order for you to receive email announcements about special activities and our monthly RiteWorks e-publication. If you have recently changed your mailing address, PLEASE – notify the Consistory office by calling them at 303-861-4261 and let them know so we can make sure you continue to get important information from us.

If you know of any brother who has moved, who has changed email addresses recently, or who didn't have email when he joined and has subsequently become "internet active" – let him know to call us as well ... or you can call us if he gives you permission.

## 42nd Denver Consistory Reunion

May 8th - 11th, 2013

### Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>

6:00 PM Children's Hospital Colorado  
Candidates, Spouses or guests only

### Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup>

7:30 AM Registration  
8:00 AM Introductions/Welcome  
8:15 AM **Exemplify 4°** - Jay Bobick, 33°  
8:55 AM Introduce Grand Master and  
Grand Lodge Officers  
GRAND MASTERS ADDRESS  
(on the floor)  
9:15 AM Classroom Instruction  
9:35 AM **Exemplify 5°** -  
E Michael Connely, 33°  
10:10 AM Break  
10:25 AM **Exemplify 6°** -  
L Bryant Harris, 32° KCCH  
10:40 AM **Exemplify 7°** -  
Bruce A Evans, 32° KCCH  
11:00 AM Classroom Instruction  
11:15 AM **Exemplify 8°** - J Robbie Leach, 32°  
11:40 AM Lunch  
12:35 PM Class Reconvenes  
12:40 PM **Communicate 9° and 10°** -  
T Michael Tims, 32°  
12:50 PM **Communicate 11°** - David Peterson,  
32° KCCH  
12:55 PM **Exemplify 12°** - Bobby Juchem, 32°  
1:20 PM Secretary's Presentation  
1:50 PM Doc Powell, 33° -  
Costume Committee  
Wes Campbell, 33° -  
Make-up Committee  
Don Marshall, 32° KCCH -  
A/V Committee  
Walter Martin, 33° -  
State/Properties Committee  
2:20 PM Break  
2:30 PM Shrine Presentation -  
Matt A Raia, Illustrious Potentate  
2:35 PM **Communicate 13°** -  
J Randy Penn, 32° KCCH  
2:40 PM **Exemplify 14°** -  
Helmut Fritz, 32° KCCH

3:40 PM **Communicate 15°** -  
Robin B Knox, 32° KCCH  
3:45 PM **Communicate 16°** -  
Karl W Koenig, 32° KCCH  
3:50 PM Classroom Meeting  
4:10 PM **Exemplify 17°** -  
Thomas L Gaffney, 32°  
4:50 PM Adjourn

### Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup>

7:30 AM Class Convenes/Meeting  
8:00 AM **Exemplify 18°, 1st & 2nd Sections** -  
Chris Staton, 32°  
8:35 AM Classroom Instruction on 18°  
8:45 AM **Exemplify 18°, 3rd Section** -  
Chris Staton, 32°  
9:20 AM Knights of St Andrew  
9:30 AM Classroom Instruction on 18°  
9:40 AM Break  
9:50 AM **Exemplify 19°** - DJ Cox, 33°  
10:25 AM **Communicate 20°** -  
Jerral L Danford, 32° KCCH  
10:35 AM **Communicate 21°** -  
Wayne G Arner, 33°  
10:40 AM Classroom Instruction  
11:00 AM **Exemplify 22°** -  
Marvin A Feldman, 33°  
11:50 AM **Communicate 23°** -  
Theo S Jones, 32°  
11:55 AM Lunch  
12:50 PM Class Reconvenes  
12:55 PM **Communicate 24°** -  
Aaron J Klostermeyer, 32°  
1:00 PM **Exemplify 25°** - Ricky Haskell, 32°  
1:20 PM **Exemplify 26°** - Duke O'Neil, 32°  
1:45 PM Classroom Instruction  
2:05 PM **Exemplify 27°** -  
Norman C Wright, 33°  
3:00 PM Classroom Instruction  
3:15 PM Break  
3:30 PM **Exemplify 28°** -  
Grover L Sardeson, 33°  
4:30 PM Break  
6:00 PM Dinner  
6:45 PM 50 year Awards  
7:00 PM Shrine Ceremonial



**Saturday, May 11th**

8:30 AM	Class Convenes
8:40 AM	Class Address by SGIG and Class Picture/Break
9:50 AM	Classroom Instruction
10:00 AM	<b>Communicate 29°</b> - Kent B. Burns, 32°
10:10 AM	<b>Exemplify 30°, 1st Apt</b> – Charles G Johnson, 33°
10:28 AM	<b>Exemplify 30°, 2nd Apt</b> – David A King, 32°
10:43 AM	<b>Exemplify 30°, 3rd Apt</b> – Jack White, 32° KCCH
10:58 AM	Break
11:15 AM	Classroom Instruction
11:30 AM	<b>Exemplify 30°, 4th Apt</b> – M Ed Johnson, 33°
11:55 AM	Lunch
12:50 PM	Class Reconvenes
12:55 PM	<b>Exemplify 31°</b> - Joe Kier, 33°
1:45 PM	Classroom Instruction/Break
2:10 PM	<b>Exemplify 32°, 1st Section</b> – John H Buchanan, 33°
2:58 PM	Classroom Instruction
3:08 PM	Break
3:25 PM	<b>Exemplify 32°, 2nd Section</b> – John H Buchanan, 33°
4:17 PM	Patriotic Poem
4:22 PM	Closing Ceremony
4:40 PM	Adjourn

## Celebrating the Craft

“*Celebrating the Craft*” is a web event that will take place on Saturday, May 18, 2013 from 4:00 pm until 10:00 pm. The web access will be at [www.scottishrite.org](http://www.scottishrite.org).

The purpose of this broadcast is to solicit funds for the rebuilding of the House of the Temple in Washington D.C. and the philanthropic activities in our Orient.

The Southern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite has put together an entertainment package which includes comedian Illustrious Brother Norm Crosby G.C. and

a celebrity from the travel channel, Don Wildman as co-hosts. Also included in the broadcast will be unseen footage from the House of the Temple, winning acts from the “*Scottish Rite has Talent*” contest, videos of the “*Scottish Rite Heroes*” program as well as content from local valleys across the country. Our Grand Commander, **Ronald A. Seale**, will have presentations during the broadcast.

We, at the Denver Consistory, 1370 Grant Street, Denver CO., are putting together a free event which will include a couple of hours with our SGIG, **Stephen Munsinger**, up front and personal, from 4:00 to 6:00 pm. We will have available, complimentary finger foods and hors d’oeuvres with liquid refreshments to enhance the fare.

The webcast will be presented in the event/classroom. There has been rumors that **Marv’s** Civil War Band will be in attendance.

In order to accommodate everyone who is interested in attending, we will ask for reservations. Guests are invited, so bring the whole family. The deadline for reservations will be Tuesday, May 14th by 4:00 pm, but do it today so that you will not forget the all important **RSVP by email** at

[denverconsistory@denverconsistory.org](mailto:denverconsistory@denverconsistory.org)

or

**303-861-4261.**

Be part of an experience which will benefit the Southern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite, as well as our own charities including the Scottish Rite Foundation, celebrating the 60th year anniversary. This is the second year for this broadcast and our first involvement to correspond with the telecast.

### Link to the latest RiteWorks:

<http://c296220.r20.cf1.rackcdn.com/riteWorksCurrent.pdf>

### Link to a Petition Form:

<http://c296220.r20.cf1.rackcdn.com/AASRPetitionForm.pdf>

### Link to Scottish Rite Membership update:

<https://secure.scottishrite.org/OnlineMemberUpdate/MemberUpdate1.asp>



## INTERNET RESOURCE DESK

by Bill Hickey, 32° KCCH



In March, I started off with two rather robust web sites that would get you started finding Masonic Resources on the internet.

Now, while finding MASONIC resources is of interest to us all, so too are those places which we call “hoax-busters” – sites that have done a fair amount of research trying to determine which emails and web sites are REALLY accurate, and which ones tend to use a little more than an average amount of “creative” writing to tug at your heart strings, or to appeal to your emotions rather than your intellect. The old saying, “if it SOUNDS too good to be true, it probably is.”

So, here are a few of the more reliable hoax-busting sites. Some folks have preferences, and some may not like a particular one, so check them all out, bookmark the ones you like and trust, and then USE THEM whenever you get that email that just SOUNDS a little suspicious.

<http://factcheck.org/> - A Project of the Annenberg Public Policy Center

<http://snopes.com> – Urban Legends Reference Pages. Covers a wide variety of topics. Some people believe they lean too far to the “left” but generally speaking, they avoid political overtones in favor of fact.

<http://www.politifact.com> – a project of the Tampa Bay Times newspaper. Ostensibly checks statements made by politicians for fact. “Your mileage may vary” depending on your political outlook.

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/fact-checker> - Obviously from the famous (or infamous, depending on your outlook) Washington Post newspaper in our nation’s capitol. Again, your mileage may vary, but sometimes you can be surprised by some of the answers you see.

<http://www.urbanlegends.about.com> – Urban Legends – you know, the things that tug at your

heartstrings because they SOUND so real, but when you look at them objectively, you find out that someone out there has been pulling your leg.

And, there are more out there. All you have to do is bring up your favorite search engine (google, bing, yahoo, whatever) and enter “urban legends” and you’ll get a ton of them – more than you will ever need or use.

And, before anyone asks, yes, I know of a number of anti-masonic sites out there. Sometimes, when I need a real laugh, I’ll poke around one of them just to see how ignorant some people are. But, for the most part, I ignore them because they’re simply not worth the time to waste.

If you have a favorite web site resource that might interest our brethren, please email that information to me at [wa3h@hotmail.com](mailto:wa3h@hotmail.com) and I will check it out and try to include it in a future issue of RiteWorks.



## Century of Scholars 1913 - 2013 University of Northern Colorado Graduate School

Several of our members and their wives, along with Aunt Margaret Ingraham, witnessed Vernon B Ingraham, 33° GC, receive a Service Award from the Graduate School Alumni Association at the University of Northern Colorado (UNC) in Greeley on April 5<sup>th</sup>. Bro. Ingraham was cited for his work in providing funding for scholarships for graduate students in their Speech-Language Pathology program. He was nominated for this award by Dr. Kathy Fahey, Professor for UNC's Speech-Language Pathology program. The Graduate School Alumni Association awarded ten such plaques to deserving individuals in numerous areas of study going back as far as 1957. These awards were presented by Dr. Linda L. Black, Dean of the Graduate School & International Admissions.



## Between the Columns

by Michael D. Moore, 32°



Renewals

It is probably fitting that as I am writing this installment, the constellation Leo is in the high South and very easy to see, alongside Virgo. The Spring Equinox has just happened and as the Sun is rising in the east, along with Cygnus (the Northern Cross). The days and nights are of equal length (a symbol of equilibrium), the lion king with the virgin queen are showing forth the galaxies between them. And the lyre (Lyra) is making music overhead. It is a very special time of the year for all who attend places of worship and with us too as Scottish Rite Masons. All this means that a Reunion is on its way.

You will not see the words renewal or reunion anywhere in Pike's *Morals and Dogma*, but the

theme of renewal is ever present. Coil has the same non-entry in his resource book. Which is kind of unusual, for both words we tend to associate quite easily with Spring and bringing in new candidates.

But the words regeneration and reunion do appear (at least in one of the major sources.) Albert Mackey writes his thoughts on regeneration, followed by Brother de Hoyos' words on reunions:

*In the ancient mysteries the doctrine of regeneration was taught by symbols; not the theological dogma of regeneration to the Christian church, but the philosophical dogma as a change from death to life – a new birth to immortal existence... This is the doctrine in the Masonic Mysteries, and more especially in the symbolism of the Third Degree. We must not say that the Mason is regenerated when he is initiated, but that he has been indoctrinated into the philosophy of the regeneration, or the new birth of all things – of light out of darkness, or life out of death, of eternal life out of temporal death.*

Reunions:

*According to early rituals of the Thirty-second degree, one of the passwords meant "reunited to accomplish", while the symbolic camp of the Degree represented a "reunion of Masons of all degrees". Hence we use the word "reunion" to mean a gathering of Scottish Rite Masons assembled to confer the Degrees".*

(Scottish Rite Monitor and Guide)

Regeneration is not a word we like to use, for it comes close to encroaching on what churches do. But it is a theme which we need to think on and do. A Reunion does what? Provides a place set aside for new candidates to see, hear and experience many new truths and principles that change their lives.

At this time of the year, farmers plant, trees bud and bloom, bulbs pop up and the whole earth seems to turn green. It is right and should be the time that we bring in our new members.

Truth should grow and bloom within our walls. It should flower forth and spread like leaves and ground cover all over the paths we tread. The



virtues and principles taught here should bring forth fruit for all to see and want. If this does not happen, then we are dead.

In this period coming up to the next Reunion, think about the reoccurring event called Spring. Apply what you find when doing this to your life and your Scottish Rite activities. Use the metaphor as a motivational boost to do what all of us need to be doing – living what we read, hear, see and experience with the Degrees.



## FAMOUS MASONS

by Bill Hickey, 32° KCCH

Back in March, I started what I hope will end up being a series of “*Famous Masons*” in an effort to give us all some sense of the magnitude of influence of our fraternity on the history of mankind. The first installment focused on our United States Presidents that were Freemasons. This one looks at leaders of various countries around the world. I think you’ll find that you’ve never heard of some of these men, but they are in company with some of the most influential and powerful leaders of our world, some of them during times of great trials.

Sir John J. C. Abbott –  
Canadian Prime Minister (1891-1892)  
Eduard Benes –  
President of Czechoslovakia (1935-1938)  
Sir Robert L. Borden –

Canadian Prime Minister (1911-1920)  
Winston Churchill –  
British Prime Minister (1940-1945)  
(1951-1955)  
Edward VII –  
Prince of Wales, and King of Great Britain  
(1901-1910)  
Charles H. Allen –  
1<sup>st</sup> Governor of Puerto Rico (1900-1901)  
Benito Juarez –  
President of Mexico (1867-1872)  
King Kamehameha III –  
Monarch of the Hawaiian Kingdom  
(1825-1854)  
King Kamehameha IV –  
Monarch of the Hawaiian Kingdom  
(1855-1863)  
King Kamehameha V –  
Monarch of the Hawaiian Kingdom  
(1863-1872)  
John G. Diefenbaker –  
Canadian Prime Minister (1957-1963)  
Miguel Aleman –  
Mexican President (1946)  
Viscount R. B. Bennett –  
Canadian Prime Minister (1930-1935)  
Sir Mackenzie Bowell –  
Canadian Prime Minister (1894-1896)  
Edward VIII –  
King of Great Britain (1936)  
George VI –  
King of Great Britain (1936-1952)  
King David Kalakaua –  
last monarch of the Hawaiian Kingdom  
(1874-1891)  
Sir John A. MacDonald –  
Prime Minister of Canada  
(1867-1873)  
(1878-1891)

You will probably notice a few “curious” entries above. A number of Canadian Prime Ministers occupy spots in the list, as do a few Hawaiian monarchs. The Hawaiian kings seem to have a pretty unbroken chain of influence – and membership in the craft. Likewise, notice that Edward VIII was only King of Great Britain for a year – he abdicated the throne to his real brother,

and Brother in the craft George VI for his love of Wallace Simpson.

Lest we think that only relatively contemporary men (listed above) were members of the craft, I dug around and found a few more entries that might surprise you.

**BRITAIN:**

George IV (1762-1830),  
William IV (1765-1837),  
Edward VII (1841-1910)

**BELGIUM:**

Leopold I (1790-1865)

**BRAZIL (Emperor):**

Pedro I (1798-1834)

**DENMARK:**

Frederick VII (1808-1863),  
Christian IX (1818-1906),  
Frederick VIII (1846-1912),  
Christian X (1870-1947)

**GERMANY:**

Ernest of Hanover (1771-1851),  
George V of Hanover (1819-1878),  
Frederick II (the Great) of Prussia  
(1712-1786),  
Frederick William III of Prussia  
(1770-1840),  
Frederick I of Wurtemberg (1754-1816),  
William I of Prussia (first German Emperor)  
(1799-1888),  
Emperor Frederick III (1831-1888)

**GREECE:**

George I (1845-1913),  
Constantine I (1868-1923),  
George II (1890-1945)

**NETHERLANDS:**

William II (1792-1849)

**NORWAY:**

Haakon VII (1872-1957) (2<sup>nd</sup> degree only)

**POLAND:**

Stanislaus II (1732-1798)

**SWEDEN:**

Gustav V Adolf (1858-1950),  
Gustav VI Adolf (1882-1973)

**HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE:**

Emperor Francis I (1708-1860)

As you can see from this brief installment, the influence of Masonry spread from the relatively small beginnings in Britain (Scotland, Ireland, England and Wales) rather rapidly and across great political divides.

Next installment: Some famous leaders from the profession of arms who are/were Freemasons.

## BIRTHDAY BOYS FOR MAY

Brothers over 90 years of age this month:

H. Paul Hadle  
Joe A. Rodriguez  
Thomas R. Overton  
Edward S. Shouse  
Ira D. Cornelius  
Veonor M. Sotak  
Leonard G. Tulin  
Albert L. Reininger  
Darold L. Howe  
Melvin C. Allen  
Zebulon M. Pike Jr  
Clarence O. Brown



Brothers turning 80 this month:

Gerald C. Krantz  
John L. Annan  
Larry M. Huston  
Russell H. Zingelman  
Francis P. Read  
Ronald K. Richards

Brothers turning 70 this month:

Douglas H. Huber  
Robert S. Dozier  
Gerald N. Weaver  
Richard A. Eshe  
Gerald M. Watson  
Arthur J. DuBois Jr

Brothers turning 60 this month:

David O. Harrold

Brothers turning 50 this month:

Jeffrey E. Ausman

Brothers turning 40 this month:

Timothy C. Ryan



### 2013 - 9HEALTHFAIR –

#### Recap

by Bill Hickey, 32° KCCH

Thanks to ALL of you who volunteered at our recent 9HealthFair. We don't have the "final" numbers yet, but it appears we had approximately 175 participants visit our fair this year. That's about on par for most of our years, a little higher than most, lower than the peak we had a few years ago. There were a number of changes in procedures out of 9HealthFair this year, so we didn't have quite as many screenings as we've had in the past, but still had a good showing.

The 9HealthFair offices will be meeting shortly after this report reaches you to discuss a "wrap-up" for this year's fairs. We should know a bit more detail about our fair as well as the other fairs around the state.

Believe it or not, PLANNING for next year's fairs starts pretty much at the end of May, so we'll be looking forward to next year before we can turn around good.

Thanks again to everyone for making our fair a success.

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### Meet your Brothers

By Jack White, 32° KCCH

Brother Keith Anderson is a member of Englewood Lodge # 166 and serves as Junior Warden. He has been a mason for 4 years. Keith was installed as Captain of the Guard for Denver Consistory in January 2013.



Keith is married to Cathy and they have 4 children; Gretchen, 28, married with 2 children, Brandon, 25, married with 2 children, Kyle, 19 and Molly, 14. Molly is Junior Princess of Job's Daughters Bethel # 40.

Keith is an IT Manager. He likes the outdoors and spends as much time as possible hunting and fishing. He is also very active in a charity called Ginny's Kids International that sends seriously ill children and their families on dream trip vacations. This organization helps families build lasting, positive memories when faced with the ongoing trials of having a child with serious and chronic illness. He is the Ginny's Kids Secretary and Golf Tournament Chairman.

Keith is looking forward to introducing his granddaughters to the great outdoors and seeing them discover the wonders of nature. He also has a lot of work to do to improve the Ginny's Kids website and on-line presence and send more families on dream trips.

His lodge has a lot of activities going on in the blue lodge and these take a lot of his time. This is also a very rewarding part of his Masonic experience since we enjoy the fellowship of working together and putting on these events. One of his Masonic goals that he has found to be more elusive is to find the time to study and reflect on the degrees. That is probably why he finds the lectures, education programs, and attendance at the reunions to be so valuable.

Keith, it is a pleasure having you as a brother and I know you will do well in the Denver Consistory Line.

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Worshipful Brother Jack M. Shepard, 32°, KCCH, is a member of Collins Lodge #19 in Ft. Collins, CO. Jack has been a mason for 19 years and has served as Master of his lodge 3 times and is now sitting as Marshall.



Jack has two sons of which he is extremely proud. Both are outstanding and successful individuals: Jeff Shepard, 48, has a PHD in Clinical Psychology; he resides in Oceanside, CA. Chris Shepard, 43, has an MBA, is a Computer Sciences-Special Projects Manager for a major insurance company in Chicago Ill.

WB Jack is a retired educator of 33 years in Colorado. He has a BA in Elementary Education and an M.Ed in Special Education and Guidance Counseling. He spent 5 years on Western Slope of CO and 28 years in the Poudre School District in Fort Collins. He has served on multiple state and local committees, and received Colorado Counselor of the year Honorable Mention in 1991. He spent two summers in Moscow, Russia (1991-1992) and was present for the Coup in 1991 (traveled to the Soviet Union, but returned from Russia). He was working and presenting with a team of American educators on Directions in American Education, for and with, the **Institute For Family Relations** and Russian educators, social workers and psychologists.

Jack retired from education in 1998. He presently works as an Independent Claims Adjuster with Rain and Hail LLC to service Federal Crop Insurance claims.

Jack likes to fish, backpack, some wood working, travel, genealogy pursuits, and participation in Blue Lodge and Consistory, whenever possible. He has particularly enjoyed roles in the 20<sup>th</sup> degree (before being reorganized) and the 19<sup>th</sup> degree for 10+ years. He wants, most of all, to spend more time with his sons.

Jack wants to change the focus of his life from work to interests as listed above. He would like to include more time for Freemasonry and Masonic studies, along with community involvement working as a volunteer, and to follow his interests wherever they might lead.

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Worshipful Brother Walter Harrall Martin, 33<sup>o</sup> is a member of Revelation Lodge #180. He has been a Mason for 30 years and was raised by his father, a member of Brownfield Texas Lodge #903, in Brownfield Texas. His father built a home there! He moved to Colorado in 1961, a poor broke farming family. His father gained assistance from a Denver area banker, with a personal loan of \$100.00 and his family began a new life in the area.

Walter was past master in 1989 in Revelation and his lodge was Honor Lodge that year! He is a life member of Kiowa Lodge and has affiliated with Douglas Lodge. He is a member of the York Rite (Council #1, Chapter #2, Commandery #1); 1st vice president of Colorado State High Twelve, and past president of Club #11, and current secretary. WB Walt has been very active for 30 years in Colorado DeMolay, Past Executive Officer, Active Member of the DeMolay International Supreme Council. He is active in Consistory, and past presiding officer, member of the Executive Committee, and Committee Chair of Properties and Stage. He is a past cast member on the 11th, 30th 4th section, and currently cast member on the 32nd degree.

Walt is married to Judy Kay Martin (Dickinson-Corn-Husker, & ranch woman), and she is retired from Douglas County Schools. Their children are Josh (33 years/diesel mechanic) married, with two daughters 4 and 2, and Nicholas (35years) a Major in the USAF married with 2 children, ages 10 and 8 years old.

Walt is a retired Aurora Colorado Police Officer with 32 years and 3 months of service, and has been retired since 2004.

Walt's interests are family, DeMolay, hunting, fishing, reading. Walt's future goals are to stay healthy and to continue to receive his pension check.

He thoroughly enjoys Masonry to the extent, when called upon. He is always checking on sick brothers, and is on the widows committee for Revelation lodge. He is a member of their School recognition/scholarship committee for about 15 years. They have just completed a program recognizing 12 students (Juniors), and 7 teachers/administrators with the Cherry Creek School District.

Walt, your great work and dedication to Masonry shows, and the setup for Degrees are always exemplary thanks to you and your Committee. Always a pleasure to talk to you.



FROM THE EAST

## Moving On

by Alexander J. McIntosh, 32° KCCH  
Master of Kadosh, Denver Consistory

As we turn from winter into spring (several late snow storms not withstanding) we witness a new beginning around us. Tree buds are popping out, crocuses and tulips are beginning to flower and lawns are turning green. Renewal is all around us. This gives us an opportunity to renew internally as well. As I write this, the spring reunion is just around the corner, the second Masonic Education Monday is on the schedule for June 3<sup>rd</sup> and Consistory and Lodge activities are being debated.

We need to put winter's rest behind us and prepare for the coming year. The past is unchangeable but the future is open. There are opportunities for education, fellowship, service and brotherhood. Let's pledge to take advantage of as much as we can. Your family, consistory and lodge need you to be the best you can be. This is the journey that you committed to when you first knocked three times on the door of a lodge, and it is the journey that you will look back on when you stand before the Grand Architect of the Universe.

It is time to lay the foundations for the next three seasons so that when fall comes around we can reap a bountiful harvest. The groundwork that we do now will determine what is on the vines. Last year is a memory, successes and failures something to be remembered and learned from, but we have a fresh slate in front of us, let's use it well.

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## Saturday Mornings

Author Unknown

The older I get, the more I enjoy Saturday mornings. Perhaps it's the quiet solitude that comes with being the first to rise, or maybe it's the unbounded joy of not having to be at work. Either way, the first few hours of a Saturday morning are most enjoyable.

A few weeks ago, I was shuffling toward the garage with a steaming cup of coffee in one hand and the morning paper in the other. What began as a typical

Saturday morning turned into one of those lessons that life seems to hand you from time to time. Let me tell you about it.

I turned the dial up into the phone portion of the band on my ham radio in order to listen to a Saturday morning swap net. Along the way, I came across an older sounding chap, with a tremendous signal and a golden voice. You know the kind; he sounded like he should be in the broadcasting business. He was telling whomever he was talking with something about "a thousand marbles." I was intrigued and stopped to listen to what he had to say.

"Well, Tom, it sure sounds like you're busy with your job. I'm sure they pay you well but it's a shame you have to be away from home and your family so much. Hard to believe a young fellow should have to work sixty or seventy hours a week to make ends meet. It's too bad you missed your daughter's "dance recital" he continued. "Let me tell you something that has helped me keep my own priorities." And that's when he began to explain his theory of a "thousand marbles".

"You see, I sat down one day and did a little arithmetic. The average person lives about seventy-five years. I know, some live more and some live less, but on average, folks live about seventy-five years.

"Now then, I multiplied 75 times 52 and came up with 3900, which is the number of Saturdays that the average person has in their entire lifetime. Now, stick with me, Tom, I'm getting to the important part.

"It took me until I was fifty-five years old to think about all this in any detail," he went on, "and by that time I had lived through over twenty-eight hundred Saturdays." "I got to thinking that if I lived to be seventy-five, I only had about a thousand of them left to enjoy. So I went to a toy store and bought every single marble they had. I ended up having to visit three toy stores to round up 1000 marbles. I took them home and put them inside a large, clear plastic container right here in the shack next to my gear."



"Every Saturday since then, I have taken one marble out and thrown it away. I found that by watching the marbles diminish, I focused more on the really important things in life.

"There is nothing like watching your time here on this earth run out to help get your priorities straight."

"Now let me tell you one last thing before I sign-off with you and take my lovely wife out for breakfast. This morning, I took the very last marble out of the container. I figure that if I make it until next Saturday then I have been given a little extra time. And the one thing we can all use is a little more time."

"It was nice to meet you Tom, I hope you spend more time with your family, and I hope to meet you again here on the band. This is a 75 year old man, K9NZQ, clear and going QRT, good morning?"

You could have heard a pin drop on the band when this fellow signed off. I guess he gave us all a lot to think about. I had planned to work on the antenna that morning, and then I was going to meet up with a few hams to work on the next club newsletter.

Instead, I went upstairs and woke my wife up with a kiss. "C'mon honey, I'm taking you and kids to breakfast." "What brought this on?" she asked with a smile. "Oh, nothing special, it's just been a long time since we spent a Saturday together with the kids." "And hey, can we stop at a toy store while we're out?" "I need to buy some marbles."

A Brother sent this to me, so I to you, my Brother.

And so, as one smart bear once said; "If you live to be a hundred, I want to live to be a hundred minus one day, so I never have to live without you." - Winnie the Pooh.



## The Ten Rules To Follow In Life

Author Unknown

1. Prayer is not a "spare wheel" that you pull out when in trouble, but it is a "steering wheel" that directs the right path throughout.
2. A Car's WINDSHIELD is so large & the Rear view Mirror is so small? Because our PAST is not as important as our FUTURE. So, Look Ahead and Move on.
3. Friendship is like a BOOK. It takes few seconds to burn, but it takes years to write.
4. All things in life are temporary. If going well, enjoy it, they will not last forever. If going wrong, don't worry, they can't last long either.
5. Old Friends are Gold! New Friends are Diamond! If you get a Diamond, don't forget the Gold! Because to hold a Diamond, you always need a Base of Gold!
6. Often when we lose hope and think this is the end, GOD smiles from above and says, "Relax, sweetheart, it's just a bend, not the end!"
7. When GOD solves your problems, you have faith in HIS abilities; when GOD doesn't solve your problems HE has faith in your abilities.
8. A blind person asked St. Anthony: "Can there be anything worse than losing eye sight?" He replied: "Yes, losing your vision!"
9. When you pray for others, God listens to you and blesses them, and sometimes, when you are safe and happy, remember that someone has prayed for you.
10. WORRYING does not take away tomorrow's TROUBLES, it takes away today's PEACE.

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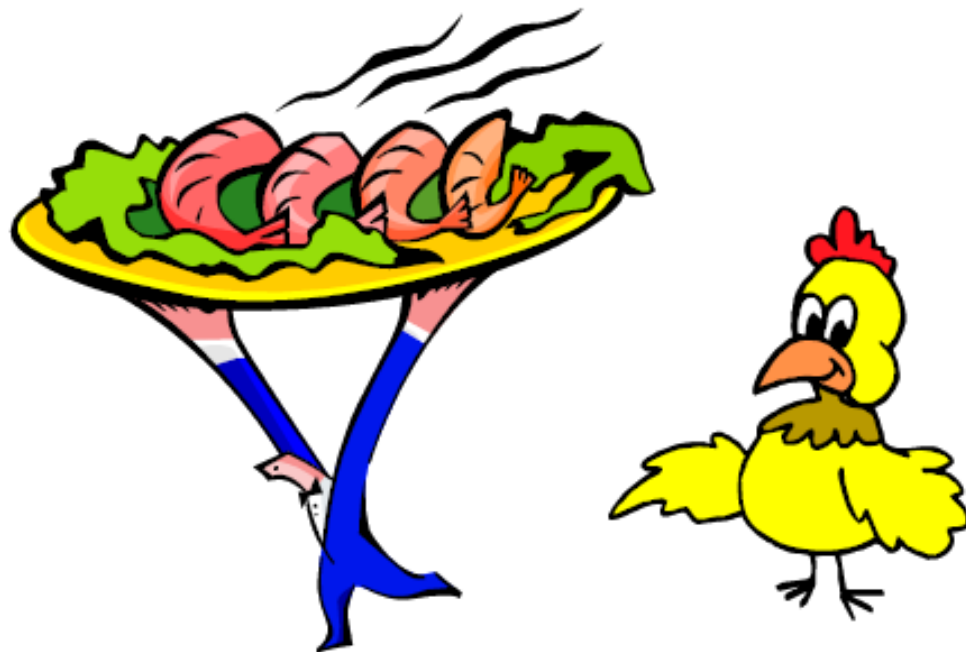


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Sat. JULY 20

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All the shrimp you can peel and eat

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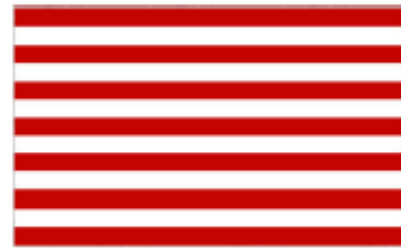
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