

## Denver's RiteWorks

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**DID YOU KNOW** ... Transportation can be arranged for those who need a ride to our stated meetings, the Reunions, and Denver Consistory special events. All you need to do is **CALL THE OFFICE at 303-861-4261** and let us know you need a ride.

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Allows you to reserve dinners/events and to pay online (for example: Oktoberfest, Stated Meeting Dinners, etc.)

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# Blue Lodge Night At the Denver Consistory June 17<sup>th</sup> 2019 6PM



Purchase Dinner Tickets (\$20.00) at: https://squareup.com/store/ centennial-lodge-of-perfection Or call the consistory: 303-861-4261





#### Get to know your fellow Blue Lodge brethren in Colorado!

All Blue Lodge Masons, Significant Others, Friends and Prospects are encouraged to attend as the Denver Consistory will honor Colorado Blue Lodges.

All participating lodges are eligible to receive a prize First prize goes to lodge with largest attendance

Fun and Masonic Brotherly Love will prevail as the lodges go dark for the summer!

#### **PLANNING CALENDAR**

		MAY 2019
Fri, May 3	11:30 a.m.	Consistory Lunch (Fried Chicken)
Mon, May 6	5:30 p.m.	Special Officers' meeting to read petitions
	6:30 p.m.	KSA Meeting in Lodge Room
Wed, May 8		Spring Reunion - Children's Hospital (by invitation only)
Thu, May 9-Sat, Ma	y 11 7:00 a.m.	Spring Reunion (54 <sup>th</sup> consecutive) - <b>Parking Garage Available</b>
Sat, May 11	6:00 p.m.	Banquet; 25 and 50 Year Member presentations
Fri, May 17	11:30 a.m.	Consistory Lunch (TBD)
Sat, May 18	9:00-11:00 a.m.	Calling Committee
Mon, May 20		Stated Meeting (Feast of the Consistory) - Parking Garage Available
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Red Room Business Meeting
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	6:00 p.m.	
		Awards and Announcements; Entertainment: Civil War Band
	7:30 p.m.	Split Meeting—Denver Consistory Ritual Opening/Closing
Fri, May 24		NO LUNCH
Mon, May 27		Consistory CLOSED for Memorial Day Holiday
Fri, May 31	11:30 a.m.	Consistory Lunch (TBD)
		JUNE 2019
Mon, June 3	6:30 p.m.	KSA Meeting in Lodge Room
Fri, June 7	11:30 a.m.	Consistory Lunch (Fried Chicken)
Fri, June 14	11:30 a.m.	Consistory Lunch (TBD)
Mon, June 17		Stated Meeting (Hawaiian Shirt Night) -Parking Garage Available
	5:30 p.m.	Red Room Business Meeting
	•	Master Craftsman Study Group (Classroom)
	6:00 p.m.	Dinner

7:00 p.m. Awards & Announcements; Blue Lodge Recognition Night

7:30 p.m. Split Meeting - 5 min. oration by Orator, Rocky Mountain Rose Croix and

5 min. oration by Orator, Council of Kadosh

Fri, June 21 11:30 a.m. Consistory Lunch (TBD) Fri, June 28 11:30 a.m. Consistory Lunch (TBD)

Thu July 4

#### **JULY 2019**

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Fri, July 5	NO LUNCH
Fri, July 12	11:30 a.m. Consistory Lunch (Fried Chicken)
Fri, July 19	11:30 a.m. Consistory Lunch (TBD)
Fri, July 26	11:30 a.m. Consistory Lunch (TBD)
Sat, July 27	6:00 p.m. Annual Summer Dinner (Shrimp Boil) Parking Garage Available
	Ladies, families, and guests invited (See flyer in this issue)





By: BILL HICKEY, 33°
EMAIL: <u>wa3h@hotmail.com</u>



From time to time, I will receive some unsolicited articles (YAY!). Sometimes, people don't want to have their name associated with the article for whatever reason(s). So, when I get some of these, you'll see a page entitled "Something to Think About." It's not meant to convey any particular point, but rather meant to cause us to stop and think about something with a little more than a passing notice. We have a couple of these this month.

Have you noticed (I certainly have) that over the past few years at least, when we finish a reunion - very few of our newly created 32° Masters of the Royal Secret (our Brothers) come to the stated meeting right after their reunion? Ever wonder why? Could it be we've burned them out with 3 consecutive long days and they need to get back to some semblance of a normal routine? Could it be that they've HEARD our meetings aren't all that productive? Of course, they haven't come to witness a meeting, so they're going on rumor at that point. Could it be that they have a lodge conflict on that 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month (aw, come on, there aren't THAT MANY lodges that meet on the 1st and 3rd Mondays in the metro area (in fact, I just looked ... Golden #1, Harmony #61, Miracle #182). So, WHERE ARE our newly welcomed Brothers anyway? Is anyone asking them (specifically the Lodge Ambassadors)? Yes, I know, there are more bodies meeting on Monday than just the lodges - but then, that begs the question—WHY did they join another body that met on a conflicting night if they knew they wouldn't be able to attend any of the meetings? Do they participate in a degree at a reunion? Do they come to our special events (Burns Dinner, Shrimp Boil, Children's Christmas Party) or help out with our Ladies luncheon, decorating the Consistory for the holidays, or perhaps being active in the KSA (oops, that's a 1<sup>st</sup> Monday meeting—so even KSA isn't likely to get many of the same folks that don't come to our stated meetings for the same reason).

It's been said that you need to do something for a month consistently for it to become a habit. Translate that into periodic meetings, and it turns out you need to come about 3-4 times regularly for it to be a habit. Unfortunately, it's a LOT easier to BREAK a habit than it is to start it. Let's work with our brothers and see if we can't help them get that habit of attending a stated meeting and other events more regularly.



## From the Secretary's Desk

ROCKIES

Matt Raia, 33°

PLEASE SHARE! I was recently surprised to learn that the overwhelming majority of our members do not share the monthly RiteWorks with their Lady. My question to you is, WHY? Don't you want her to know about what is happening around Denver Consistory? Don't you want her to know about coming events she may be interested in attending? Don't you want her to know about the Ladies Meetings each month while we conduct our stated meetings? Don't you want her to participate with you in Denver Consistory activities? Don't you want her to be a part of the Denver Consistory FAMILY? There is nothing secret or confidential in the RiteWorks! It is permissible, and in fact encouraged, for you to share it with your Lady and non-Scottish Rite Masons. If it wasn't, it would not be published on our web site.

April 6<sup>th</sup> Denver Consistory once again hosted the 9 Health Fair. Thank you to **Illustrious Brother Bill Hickey, 33°,** for coordinating the event, and thank you to all the volunteers who helped at the fair. Our turnout this year was about average for us - around 175 participants.



We need your help as a Volunteer for the **Scottish Rite - Rockies Experience.** You, your family members, and your friends can all volunteer for the Rockies Home Games - earning \$80 each per game that goes to the upkeep of your **Scottish Rite Masonic Center (SRMC).** This is a fun and positive Investment of your time and an excellent way of supporting the **SRMC** without

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having to dig deep into your pocket.

This Rockies season, there are a total of 81 home games. If you work Monday thru Friday, no problem - you don't have to take off work. There are 28 home games played on Saturday and/or Sunday, for which you can volunteer. Plus, this year, as there are no special classes required to participate - you get On-The-Job-Training. There is always an Aramark Supervisor close by to help you.

How do you become a Scottish Rite Rockies Volunteer?

- 1. E-mail Tom Lincoln, Rockies Experience Program Coordinator at: 3Flyingfeathers@comcast.net
- 2. Call Tom Lincoln at (303) 968-7731
- 3. By return e-mail, Tom will send you a "Criminal History Disclosure Form." YES, even though you have completed this form in prior years, we need an updated "Criminal History Disclosure Form" for the 2019 Rockies Season. Also, other information will be necessary to make your experience positive.

At our April 15<sup>th</sup> Stated Meeting, the Rocky Mountain Chapter of Rose Croix presented the annual Ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal. The ceremony exemplified by the Rose Croix Chapter was VERY impressive. Congratulations to the officers of the Chapter for an outstanding performance.



**Brother Loren Kohler, 32°,** the Secretary/Treasurer of the **Knights of Saint Andrew**, presented the SGIG a check for the Scottish Rite Foundation, the Almoner, and the Scottish Rite Masonic Center, from the proceeds of the Annual Burns Supper. Thank you KSA for your generous support.

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The Western States Easter Observance, hosted by the Colorado Knights Templar Association, was held at the Denver Consistory Easter morning, April 21<sup>st</sup>.



**NAME THAT LOCATION!** There is some remodeling taking place at the Consistory. It is a location that is known to only a few of our members. However, after the remodeling is done, the majority of our members who frequent the building will know where it is. Shown below is a composite of some "before" photos. "After" photos will be in the June edition of the Rite-Works.

Do You know where this is?



Do You Know WHAT this is? How About What it WILL BE?



Make an impact this Mother's Day Shop at smile.amazon.com

#### **COMING EVENTS**

**May 3,4,5:** A special event will be held at Denver Consistory: DaVinci and Michelangelo "Battle of the Titans," Masonic Mysteries Explored and more. A live multi-screen immersive, multimedia theatrical performance (see attached flyer elsewhere in this issue). When purchasing tickets, enter the code "mason" (without quote marks) at check-out to receive a two-for-one discount.

**Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup>** at 5:30 p.m. will be a special officer's meeting for the purpose of reading last minute petitions for the Spring Reunion. Get your petitions in BEFORE May 6<sup>th</sup>. All members are invited to attend this short meeting.

**Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 p.m.- KSA Meeting in the Lodge Room. All Scottish Rite Masons are invited. You do NOT need to be a KSA member to attend.

**The Spring Reunion** will be May 9-11, 2019. This will be the 54<sup>th</sup> consecutive reunion of Denver Consistory. Saturday night, May 11<sup>th</sup> will be the banquet and awards presentations to honor our 25 & 50 year members. It will be a very special fun-filled evening. Be sure to make your reservation. You don't want to be left out.

Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup> Stated Meeting: we will celebrate the *Feast of the Consistory*, with ritual opening and closing by the Consistory officer line. The Civil War Band will perform and present an original play <u>"The Day The War Stopped."</u>

**Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup> - NO LUNCH.** This is the Friday before Memorial Day, and traditionally the Friday lunch before a holiday is very poorly attended.

Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup> - CONSISTORY OFFICE CLOSED for the Memorial Day holiday.

**Monday, June 3**<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. - KSA Meeting in the Lodge Room. All Scottish Rite Masons are invited. You do NOT need to be a KSA member to attend.

**Monday, June 17**<sup>th</sup> - Stated meeting will be *Blue Lodge Recognition Night*. It will also be "Wear your Hawaiian Shirt Night."

**Saturday, July 27<sup>th</sup> - Annual Summer Party:** Our 14th Annual Summer Dinner/Shrimp Boil. Bring your family, friends, and guests to enjoy the evening. Be sure to get your reservations in early. You DO NOT want to miss this fun event. For more information, refer to the flyer in this edition of the Rite Works.

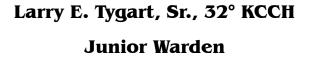
#### **MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS**

April 2018: 1943 April 2019: 1867 **NET LOSS: 76 members** 



#### From the Centennial Lodge of Perfection WEST

By





For those of us who remember the turbulence of the 60's and the music that came with it, there are poignant thoughts about humanity and our course in life. I am a product of growing up in that era of hippies, yuppies, ropers (cowboys), dopers, and heads (today's bangers). So, I listen to the music of the time and it draws me back to reflect on many things. When I heard this song again, and when you pay attention to the lyrics, I tied it to our Craft and the obligations that we all took, upon the Book, and how it relates to the song. So, for those of you that remember the protests, the war, and yes—the indignities—I hope that you, as I did, can reflect on how we are all connected, and even if our opinions differ, we are all obligated to each other. For those of our younger Brothers (that have not been exposed to the cultural change that ensued in that era), I hope that you get as much out of it as my generation does.

#### He Ain't Heavy, He's My Brother

The road is long
With many a winding turn
That leads us to who knows where
Who knows where
But I'm strong
Strong enough to carry him
He ain't heavy, he's my brother.

So on we go
His welfare is of my concern
No burden is he to bear
We'll get there
For I know
He would not encumber me
He ain't heavy, he's my brother

If I'm laden at all
I'm laden with sadness
That everyone's heart
Isn't filled with the gladness
Of love for one another

It's a long, long road
From which there is no return
While we're on the way to there
Why not share
And the load
Doesn't weigh me down at all
He ain't heavy, he's my brother

He's my brother He ain't heavy He's my brother He ain't heavy.

Songwriters: Bob Russell Bobby Scott

### THE DARK CONSPIRACY INVOLVING ELECTRICAL POWER COMPANIES SURFACES Rewritten by the Quantum Mechanic (original author unknown)

For years the electrical utility companies have led the public to believe they were in business to supply electricity to the consumer, a service for which they charge a substantial rate. The recent accidental acquisition of secret records from a well-known power company has led to a massive research campaign which positively explodes several myths and exposes the massive hoax which has been perpetrated upon the public by the power companies.

The most common hoax promoted the false concept that light bulbs emitted light; in actuality, these "light" bulbs actually absorb DARK which is then transported back to the power generation stations via wire networks. A more descriptive name has now been coined: the new scientific name for the devices is "DARKSUCKER."

This article introduces a brief synopsis of the darksucker theory, which proves the existence of dark and establishes the fact that dark has great mass, and further that dark particles (antiphotons) are the fastest known particles in the universe. Apparently, even the celebrated Dr. Albert Einstein did not suspect the truth, that just as COLD is the absence of heat, LIGHT is actually the absence of DARK.

Scientists have now proven that light does not really exist! The basis of the darksucker theory is that electric light bulbs suck dark. Take, for example, the darksuckers in the room where you are right now. There is much less dark right next to the darksuckers than there is elsewhere, demonstrating their limited range. The larger the darksucker, the greater its capacity to suck dark. Darksuckers in a parking lot or on a football field have a much greater capacity than the ones used in the home, for example.

It may come as a surprise to learn that darksuckers also operate on a celestial scale - witness the Sun. Our Sun makes use of dense dark, sucking it in from all the planets and intervening dark space. Naturally, the Sun is better able to suck dark from the planets which are situated closer to it, thus explaining why those planets appear brighter than do those which are far distant from the Sun.

Occasionally, the Sun actually oversucks; under those conditions, dark spots appear on the surface of the Sun. Scientists have long studied these 'sunspots' and are only recently beginning to realize that the dark spots represent leaks of high pressure dark because the Sun has oversucked dark to such an extent that some dark actually leaks back into space. This leakage of high pressure dark frequently causes problems with radio communications here on Earth due to collisions between the dark particles as they stream out into space at high velocity via the black 'holes' in the surface of the Sun.

As with all manmade devices, darksuckers have a finite lifetime caused by the fact that they are not 100% efficient at transmitting collected dark back to the power company via the wires from your home, causing dark to build up slowly within the device. Once they are full of accumulated dark, they can no longer suck. This condition can be observed by looking for the black spot on a full darksucker when it has reached maximum capacity of untransmitted dark you have surely noticed that dark completely surrounds a full darksucker because it no longer has the capacity to suck any dark at all.

A candle is a primitive darksucker. A new candle has a white wick. You will notice that after the first use, the wick turns black, representing all the dark which has been sucked into it. If you hold a pencil next to the wick of an operating candle, the tip will turn black because it got in the way of the dark flowing into the candle. It is of no use to plug a candle into an electrical outlet; it can only collect dark - it has no transmission capabilities. Unfortunately, these primitive darksuckers have a very limited range and are hazardous to operate because of the intense heat produced.

There are also portable darksuckers called flashlights. The bulbs in these devices collect dark which is passed to a dark storage unit called a battery. When the dark storage unit is full, it must be either emptied (a process called 'recharging') or replaced before the portable darksucker can continue to operate. If you break open a battery, you will find dense black dark inside, further evidence that it is actually a compact dark storage unit.

The darksuckers on your automobile are high capacity units with greater range, thus they require much larger dark storage units mounted under the hood of the vehicle. Since there is far more dark available in the winter season, automobile dark storage units reach capacity more frequently than they do in the summer, requiring 'recharging,' or in severe cases, total replacement.

Dark has great mass. When dark is drawn into a darksucker, friction caused by the speed and mass of the dark particles (called anti-photons) actually generates substantial heat, thus it is unwise to touch an operating darksucker. Candles represent a special problem, as the dark must travel into a solid wick instead of through clear glass. This generates a great amount of heat, making it very dangerous to touch an operating candle.

Because dark has such great mass, it is very heavy. If you swim just below the surface of a lake, you see a lot of 'light,' (absence of dark, to be more precise). As you go deeper and deeper beneath the surface, you will notice that it gets darker and darker. When you reach a depth of approximately fifty feet, you are in total darkness. This is because the heavier dark sinks to the bottom of the lake, making it appear 'lighter' near the surface.

The power companies have learned to use the dark which has settled to the bottom of lakes and rivers by pushing it through turbines, which generates the electricity used to pump the dark toward the ocean where it may be safely store for their devious purposes.

Prior to the development of turbines, it was much more difficult to get the dark from the rivers and lakes to the ocean. The Indians recognized this problem, and developed means to assist the flow of dark on its long journey to the ocean. When on a river in a canoe travelling in the same direction as the flow of dark, they paddled slowly, so as not to impede the flow of dark; but when they travelled against the flow of dark, they paddled vigorously to help propel the dark along its way.

Scientists are working feverishly to develop exotic new instrumentation with which to measure the actual speed and energy level of dark. While such instrumentation is beyond the capabilities of the average layman, you can actually perform a test to demonstrate the unbelievable speed of dark, right in your own home.

All that is required for the simple test is a closed desk drawer situated in a bright room. You know from past experience that the tightly shut drawer is FULL of dark. Now, place your hand

#### The Dark Conspiracy - Continued from previous page

Firmly on the drawer's handle. Quickly yank the drawer open - the dark immediately disappears, demonstrating the blinding speed with which the dark travels to the nearest darksucker!

The secrets of dark are, at present, known only to the power companies. Dark must be very valuable, since they go to such lengths to collect it in vast quantities. By some well-hdden method, more modern power 'generation' facilities have devised methods to hide their collection of dark. The older facilities, however, usually have gargantuan piles of solidified dark in huge fenced-in-areas. Visitors to these facilities are told that the huge black piles of material are supplies of coal, but such is NOT the case.

Th power companies have long used secret acronyms to disguise their activities. 'D.C.' stands for 'Dark Conspiracy,' while 'A.C.' is suspected to represent the 'Alternate Conspiracy' which will most likely be used exclusively once the secrets of D.C. are totally understood. D.C. is rapidly yielding its secrets to the probing eyes and instruments of honest scientists around the world.

The U. S. Attorney General is considering action to be taken against the power companies for the theft and stockpiling of dark from 'consumers.' New developments are being announced every day and we promise to keep the public informed of these announcements as they occur via this newsletter.

Les Dark, Editor



## Something to THINK about ...

#### The Word—"UP"

Ever stop to think about the word, "UP?"

This is a two-letter word that perhaps has more meaning than any other two letter word.

It's easy to understand UP, meaning toward the sky or at the top of the list, but when we waken in the morning, why do we wake UP?

At a meeting, why does a topic come UP? Why do we speak UP and why are the officers UP for election and why is it UP to the secretary to write UP a report?

We call UP our friends and we use it to brighten UP a room, polish UP the silver, we warm UP the leftovers and clean UP the kitchen. We lock UP the house and some guys fix UP their old car.

At other times, the little word has real special meaning. People stir UP trouble, line UP for tickets, work UP an appetite, and think UP excuses.

To be dressed is one thing, but to be dressed UP is special.

And, this UP is confusing: A drain must be opened UP because it is stopped UP.

We open UP a store in the morning, and close it UP at night.

We seem to be pretty mixed UP about UP!

To be knowledgeable of the proper uses of UP, look UP the word in the dictionary. In a desk-sized dictionary, UP takes UP almost  $\frac{1}{4}$ <sup>th</sup> of the page and definitions add UP to about thirty or more.

If you are UP to it, you might try building UP a list of the many ways UP is used. It will take UP a lot of your time, but if you don't give UP, you may wind UP with a hundred or more.

When it threatens to rain, we say it is clouding UP. When the sun comes out, we say it is clearing UP.

When it rains, it wets UP the earth. When it doesn't rain for a while, things dry UP.

I could go on and on, but I'll wrap it UP because my time is UP, so ... I'll just sit down and shut UP.



## THE PRELATE'S PULPIT

Rev. James Harris, 33°



The Rose Croix officers did an outstanding job in lifting and renewing our spirits in the annual "Ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal" at our April stated meeting. It was time for us to remember those who have gone to the Celestial Lodge where there is peace and where there is no darkness. It was moving to see the names of our brothers we have lost this past year. It was not a religious ceremony, but rather a very moving ceremony.

The Scottish Rite Ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal is like a mighty river into which many streams feed. It combines the strengths of each tributary making the confluence into one clear channel of personal faith and action.

"Refined from age-to-age and country-to-country, the one Masonic message comes to us in the Craft and Nature herself, through Spring, underlines the universal theme."

— C. Fred Kleinknecht, 33°.

The ceremony is not a religious observance, but it is a spiritual and inspirational time for remembering and renewing. The Earth awakens with new life and the power of light overcomes the power of darkness. As the ancient prophet Isaiah writes, "The light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it." Various books of faith were placed on the altar symbolizing that, while we travel several roads to the Great Light - the Supreme Architect of the Universe - we all travel together as brothers, side by side, hand in hand. Masons are united as we seek more light and believe in a Divine Creator. Masons have heard the words of Jesus Christ, "Love one another," when one suffers, we all suffer, we are members, one of another. Masons take care of each other. Masons respect each other, and yes, we forgive and help each other.

I truly felt we were one at our April stated meeting gathered in the Cathedral Room, with the candles lit, the room darkened, the doors closed and our Rose Croix officers leading us in the moving ceremony. Wise Master Ben Williams did an outstanding job leading us into the light.

Have a wonderful Spring, find some time for renewal, read a book, take a walk, pray a lot, and know you are loved by our Creator and by your Masonic brothers. We learn from those who have gone before us, and let us give thanks for those brothers who are still with us.

Fraternally and Joyfully,
Ill. Brother Rev. James Harris

### MEMORIAL SCROLL

 Clifford A. Cantrell, 32°
 03/30/2019

 Phillip J. Gilligan, 32°
 10/16/2017

 Delbert K. Johnson, 32°
 03/02/2019

 Leon S. Tulper, 32°
 04/08/2019

#### **ROSE CROIX FUNERAL TEAM**

All Scottish Rite Masons in good standing are entitled to have a Rose Croix Funeral service at the time of their passing. Members should advise their families of their wishes to have this beautiful service. It is a very dignified service intended to help bring comfort to the family.

The current members of the Denver Consistory Rose Croix Funeral Team are: Benjamin F. Williams, 32° KCCH - Chairman; Scott A. Bates, 32° KCCH; John H. Buchanan, 33°; Jerry L. Fenimore, 33° GC; M. Edward Johnson, 33°; Richard W. Mitchell, 33°; Matthew A. Raia, 33°; Daniel A. Rivers, 32° KCCH; Roy A. Snyder, 33°; John A. Warren, 33°; Richard M. Wenzel, III, 32° KCCH.

If you are interested in joining the Rose Croix Funeral Team and helping them, contact the office or Benjamin F. Williams, 32° KCCH for more information.

#### MAY SPECIAL BIRTHDAYS

#### 90 Years Young

Edward Francis Charter Ronald Albert Cross Ronald Carl Dendorfer Michael Holubec, Jr. Gene Allison Lake Robert Winchell Raines

#### **80 Years Young**

Robert G. English

Dwight Robison Langland

Allen Kent Phillips

#### **70 Years Young**

William Ward Carpenter David Alvin Young

#### **60 Years Young**

**George Albert Leyh Harry Edward Sanders** 

#### **30 Years Young**

**Nathaniel Ian Scott** 

#### This Month's Young'un

Nicholas Miller (25)



The next time you see our Birthday Brethren, please congratulate them, and especially thank them for being our Brothers in the Scottish Rite. Our "younger" Brothers are the future of the craft. And our older Brothers are our heritage from the craft.



#### OUR SOCIAL MEDIA PRESENCE



Denver Consistory Web Page (New and Revised)

http://www.denverconsistory.org

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS: Dan Conway, 32° KCCH



Look for (search):

**Denver Scottish Rite Consistory** 

http://www.facebook.com

You need to "LIKE" us to see what is going on.

**QUESTIONS:** Mike Brewer, 32° KCCH

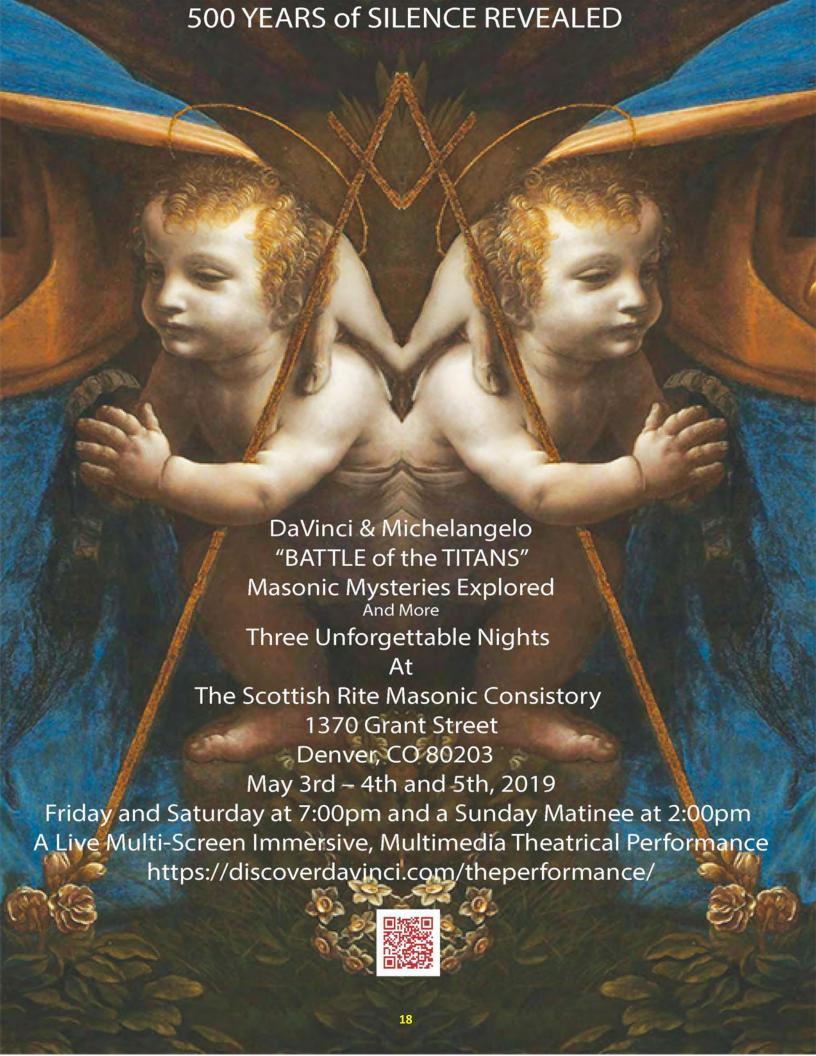


Look for us (follow):

@DenvrConsistory

(Yes, the spelling is correct above)

**QUESTIONS:** Bryant Harris, 32° KCCH







### **Community Shred-a-thon**

Saturday, May 4, 2019 from 10am— Noon
At the Eastern Star Masonic Retirement Campus:
2445 S Quebec St Denver 80231

Hosted by the Eastern Star Masonic Retirement Campus and the International Order of the Rainbow Girls Littleton Assembly #5

#### Shred-a-Thon

BRING-old checks, credit card offers, mailings, medical records, tax forms, pay stubs, etc. Please don not bring phone books, newspapers, magazines or catalogs

Donations accepted for the International Order of the Rainbow Girls Littleton Assembly #5 Scholarship Fund & Other Assembly Activities

Questions call: Pati Sawyer Boex, Fraternal Relations Director: 303-753-2160, or

Valerie Hannon: 408-528-4833





#### SCOTTISH RITE SPRING REUNION

## Denver Consistory's 54th Consecutive Reunion May 9, 10, 11, 2019

AN OPPORTUNITY TO REUNITE WITH YOUR BROTHERS REVISIT THE TEACHINGS



2018 Fall Class



Preparation



Organization



**Having Fun** 

<u>First Line Signer Incentive Program:</u> THREE petitions in a calendar year will pay your membership for a year. If you are a life member, it entitles you to receive stated meeting dinners for a year.

Denver Consistory 1370 Grant Street, Denver CO 80203

denverconsistory@denverconsistory.org

#### 54<sup>th</sup> Reunion Spring 2019 May 8 - 11, 2019

Wednesday May 8, 2019

6:30pm Children's Hospital

Candidates and Invited guests only Welcome - Rite Care Presentation

Prolog to the Reunion Thursday May 9, 2019

7:30am Registration/ Welcome/Class Instruction

8:20am Prolog to 4° 8:24am Exemplify 4°

9:04am Photography Committee

9:14am Class Instruction 9:30am Exemplify 5°

10:05am Break

10:20am Exemplify 6° 10:40am Exemplify 7° 11:00am Class Instruction 11:15am Exemplify 8°

11:40am Grand Master's Address

11:50am Lunch

12:35pm Class Instruction 12:40pm Communicate 9° & 10°

12:50pm Communicate 11°

12:55pm Exemplify 12°

1:20pm Secretary's Presentation

1:30pm Lecture/Instruction for members

"How well do we guard the West Gate"

1:45pm Committee Presentations/Tour

2:15pm Break

2:25pm Shrine Presentation 2:30pm Communicate 13°

2:40pm Prolog to 14° 2:43pm Exemplify 14°

3:38pm Communicate 15°

3:48pm Communicate 16°

3:58pm Class Instruction

4:20pm Exemplify 17°

5:00pm Adjourn

Friday May 10, 2019

8:25am Class Convenes

8:55am Prolog to 18°

9:00am Exemplify 18° First & Second Section

9:35am Class Instruction

9:45am Exemplify 18° Third Section

10:20am Knights of St. Andrew Presentation

10:30am Class Instruction

10:35am Break

10:45am Exemplify 19°

11:20am Communicate 20°

11:28am Communicate 21°

11:36am Lunch

12:26pm Class Instruction

12:30pm Exemplify 22°

1:15pm Communicate 23°

1:20pm Communicate 24°

1:25pm Class Instruction

1:45pm Exemplify 25°

2:05pm Exemplify 26°

2:30pm Class Instruction

2:45pm Exemplify 27°

3:40pm Class Instruction

3:55pm Break

4:10pm Exemplify 28°

5:10pm Break

5:20pm Communicate 29°

5:30pm Adjourn

Saturday May 11, 2019

8:00am Class Convenes

8:10am S.G.I.G. Address & Class Photo

9:05am Class Instruction

9:20am Exemplify 30°/1st Apartment

9:38am Exemplify 30°/ 2nd Apartment 9:53am Exemplify 30°/3rd Apartment

10:08am Break

10:25am Class Instruction

10:40am Exemplify 30°/ 4th Apartment

11:05am Lunch

12:00pm Exemplify 31°

12:50pm Class Instruction

1:25pm Prolog to 32°

1:29pm Exemplify 32° First Section

2:18pm Class Instruction

2:28pm Break

2:38pm Exemplify 32° Second Section

3:30pm Patriotic Poem

3:35pm Closing Ceremony

4:00pm Adjourn

6:00pm Banquet

25 & 50 Year Membership Awards

8:00pm Adjourn

#### Nevada Lodge No. 4

March 22nd 2019

Re: Ghost Town Raising at Nevadaville

Brethren all,

I would like to announce the an adjustment in the details of our 2019 Ghost Town Raising. The Ghost Town Raising is a historic tradition at the Nevada No. 4 Lodge. Each year we invite brethren from Lodges throughout the State to join us for a special Raising, by bringing one or more of their Fellowcraft to our Lodge to receive their Master Mason Degree in our Ghost Town Temple. To be raised at our Ghost Town Temple is unique unto itself, based on the fact that our Lodge is the only active Masonic Ghost Town Lodge in the country; the mining that took place in Nevadaville was finished years ago, but the history and tradition of those glory days still lives in the Nevada Lodge.

The date of our Ghost Town Raising has been changed to June 1st, 2019. Section 196 of the BoC limits our degree work to a total of (6) Master Masons on that day, but we traditionally do (5) candidates. We would like to limit our work to (5) candidates; more can be accommodated if we need to plan a second Ghost Town Event in August.

It is at this time that I would like to start our scheduling, so that we have a firm grasp on which Lodges would like to participate. If you have a Fellowcraft that your Lodge is scheduling to be Passed in time to complete his proficiency for participation in the Ghost Town Raising, we would like you to consider bringing your Fellowcraft up to Nevadaville. Each Lodge that participates would be requested to form a degree team to cover as much of the casting that they can handle for the first and second section for their Fellowcraft. If your lodge has difficulty filling any parts, the members of Nevada Lodge are prepared to fill in as needed. If you have not seen our past performances, you are in for a treat.

Please send your RSVP to my office, with your intentions to participate in the 2019 Ghost Town Raising. If you have any questions or concerns, I would be happy to talk with you on the phone.

Beyond the work performed during the Ghost Town Raising, your Lodge members will be treated to a delectable Ghost Town Dinner consisting of Smoked Brisket, complimented with traditional side dishes and desert. We will be using a chapter of DeMolay boys to help with table service during our dinner.

Fraternally,

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## Golf Tournament





Sponsored: Longs Peak Masonic Temple Association Proceeds, after expenses, to support College Scholarships and building maintenance

Date: June 8, 2019

Time: 7:30am Start

#### **OLD COURSE LOVELAND**

(18 HOLE COURSE/Scramble format)

\$100.00 PER PERSON Foursome booked at one time \$375.00 INCLUDES GOLF, RIDING CART AND BRUNCH (served at Golf Course)

\$5.00 for mulligans

Prizes and trophies for various categories (LIMITED TO FIRST 72 PEOPLE TO PAY)

MUST BE PAID BY June 1, 2019 MAKE CHECKS TO: Longs Peak Masonic

Temple Association

Need more information or a reservation, contact: Chair

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# ANNUAL SUMMER DINNER 2019

Theme: Law Enforcement Appreciation

July 27, 2019, 6:00 pm

**Denver Consistory Dining Room** 



Wear your closest Law Enforcement Blue or t-shirt (casual) supporting the men and women who protect and serve.

Several Police dignitaries will be invited as guests.

Law Enforcement related Entertainment is to be determined.

Faire will be as usual, Shrimp Boil style meal. \$30

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#### MAJOR CHANGES TO KING SOOPERS GIFT CARD PROGRAM

**AS OF MARCH 31**<sup>st</sup> there will be big changes to the King Soopers gift card program which has been so beneficial to the Scottish Rite. Here are the major points:

- 1. While the gift cards are still good and will remain so for paying for purchases at King Soopers, only those reloads that are made before March 31, 2019, will benefit the Scottish Rite. Thereafter, if you reload your gift card, the Scottish Rite will receive no benefit. Moreover, after March 31<sup>st</sup>, you can not use the gift cvard to pay for gasoline. SO RELOAD YOUR CARDS BEFORE MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup>.
- 2. Beginning April 1<sup>st</sup>, King Soopers will tie benefits to charity (including the Scottish Rite to their King Soopers Sooper Card (Rewards Card). We have been assigned a new NPO (Non-Profit Organization) number: EM386.
- 3. Our members must reapply for a new rewards card at any King Soopers store if you wish to continue to benefit the Scottish Rite. You will be given a form to fill out. It will ask for your home address and a telephone number. BUT KEEP THIS IN MIND: The home address can only be linked to ONE charity. So, if you are married and your spouse wants to benefit your church or a school and you want to benefit the Scottish Rite, you must list a different address and phone number than your spouse does. We suggest you list the Scottish Rite address (1370 Grant Street, Denver, Colorado 80203) as your address and your cell phone number. THEN BRING THE FORM TO THE SCOTTISH RITE OFFICE AND WE WILL INSERT THE CODE TO LINK YOUR CARD TO THE SCOTTISH RITE. If you have a vacation home or a rental in Colorado, you can use that address.
- 4. Thereafter, when you shop at King Soopers and check out, key in your Sooper Card (Rewards Card) or insert your cell phone number, and pay the bill with a credit card. The Scottish Rite will receive a financial benefit from all such purchases without it costing you anything.



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- Rebuilding the Temple Campaign
- Scholarships

#### EXAMPLE: \$10,000 GIFT ANNUITY

AGE 50	4.0%
AGE 60	4.7%
AGE 70	5.6%
AGE 80	7.3%
AGE 90	9.5%

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