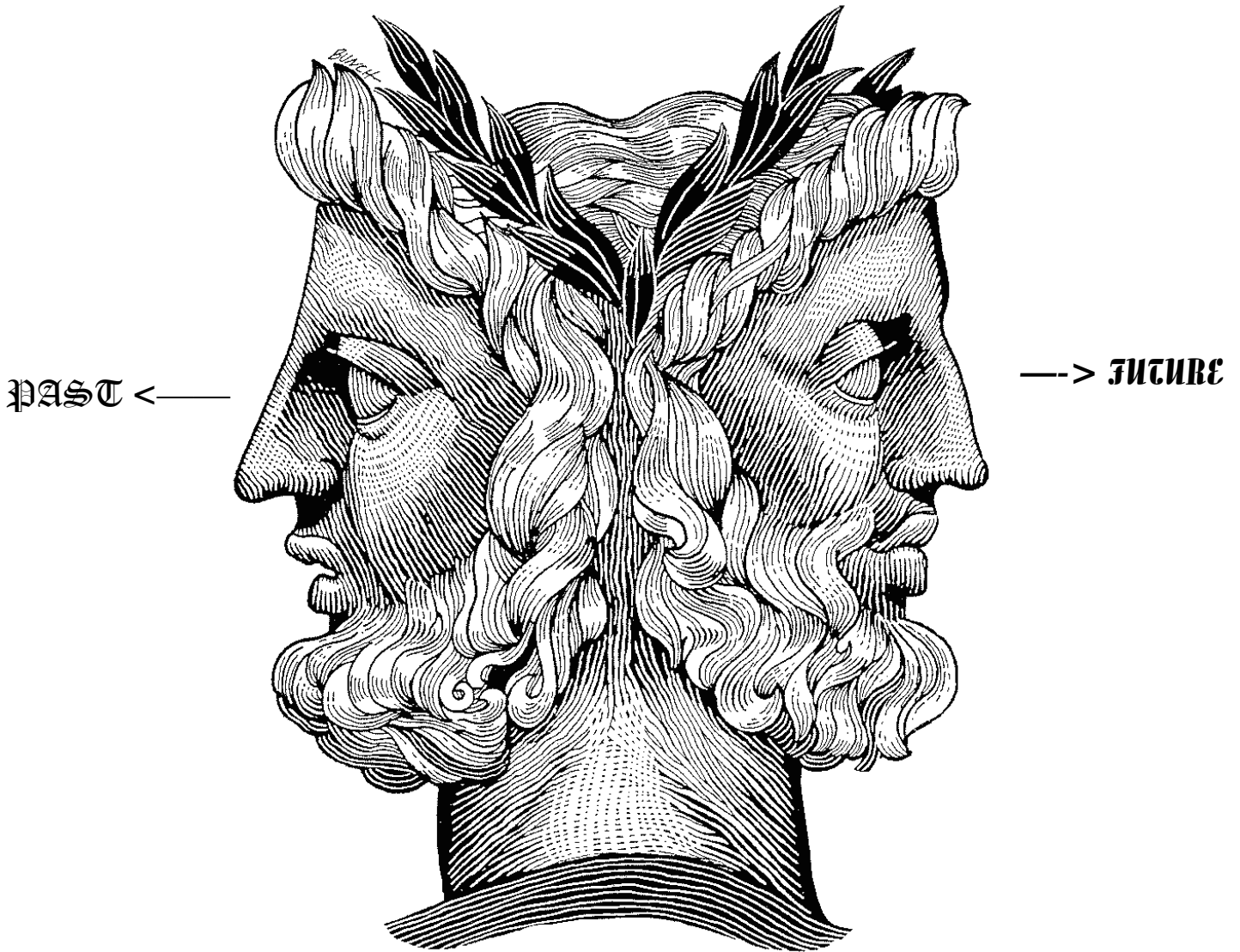


# RITEWORKS

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**SPECIAL PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT:**

**“Let There Be Light” Described inside.**


## JANUARY

Wednesday JAN 01, 2014		Consistory Closed (New Year's Holiday)
<b>Saturday JAN 04</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>Undecorating Party—ALL officers, members, and wives welcome</b>
Saturday JAN 04	2:00pm	Meet at Consistory to prepare for installation procession
	3:00pm	Step Off for joint installation ceremony at Consistory (Lodges #117, #130, #184, #185, #194)
	5:30pm	Dinner (by reservation) - time approximate
Saturday JAN 18	8:00 am	Officers' Breakfast and Installation Practice
Monday JAN 20		Stated Meeting - <b>Parking Garage Available</b>
	5:30pm	Red Room Business Meeting (top 3 line officers)
	6:00pm	Dinner - Meatloaf and Mashed Potatoes with Gravy
	7:00pm	Annual Meetings of Corporations and Installation of Officers
Friday JAN 24		Consistory Closed for Grand Lodge Annual Communication
Saturday JAN 25	6:00pm	Burns Supper - Optional Scotch Whisky Seminar
	6:45pm	Burns Supper - Supper with entertainment (see flyer in this issue)

## FEBRUARY

Saturday FEB 1	8:30am	Let There Be Light - Special Event
Monday FEB 17		<b>STATED MEETING - Parking Garage Available</b>
	5:30pm	Red Room Business Meeting (top 3 line officers)
	6:00pm	Dinner - Chicken Fried Steak
	7:00pm	Entertainment (President's Day/Valentine's Day)
	7:30pm	Split Meeting (Almoner & Life Member Annual Reports to CLOP)

## MARCH

Monday MAR 17		<b>STATED MEETING - Parking Garage Available</b>
	5:30pm	Red Room Complete Business Meeting
	6:00pm	Dinner - Corned Beef and Cabbage
	7:00pm	Awards and Announcements
	7:15pm	Celebration of Remembrance and Renewal

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# “Let there be Light.”

**Have you ever sought advice?**

**Do you search for “gems of information?”**

**Are you receptive to new ideas and others’ observations?**

**Do you think your quality of life could benefit from insights and tips?**

**If so, you will certainly want to attend.**

**Where: Scottish Rite Masonic Center, 1370 Grant St., Denver, CO**

**When: Saturday, February 1, 2014 at 8:30 a.m.**

**What:**

- Varieties of information that might enhance your life.

- Four presentations on 4 topics, presented in a concise and snappy format.

- Objectives of all 4 speakers: Present personal observations and insights that have influenced his/her life... and do it in 15 minutes. Then be prepared for 5 minutes of questions and comments.

- Speakers and topics are chosen from a pool of topics offered by our membership (this means you.)

- “Let there be Light” is hosted, gratis, by the Scottish Rite Masonic Center. It is free and open to all Masons and their spouses. This includes all members of the Blue Lodges.

## From the Secretary's Desk ...



Bill Klatil, 33°

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The Foundation Members, Dr. Deborah Hayes, with a patient ... and of course, Santa.

### Christmas Party

The annual Scottish Rite Foundation Christmas party was another day to remember. Activities, fellowship, holiday decorations, Santa, and the kids and families filled the morning. If you have not been to this event, make plans for next year as it is truly inspiring.

### Awards and Presentations

December awards included a 25 year award for Henry Burt Hering, Sr., 32°, nine Consistory Double Eagle Jewels presented to William Busby, 32°; Timothy Johansson, 32° KCCH; Daniel Rivers, 32° KCCH; Heath Firestone, 32°; Richard Wenzel, 32°; Jerry Rice, 32°; Paul Dickerson, 32°; Bruce Lawlor, 32°; and Larry Tygart, 32°. Master Craftsman's certificates were presented to Timothy Lambert, 32° completing Master Craftsman I and Thomas Shotts, 32° KCCH completing Master Craftsman II. Congratulations to all of these brothers and the achievements they have accomplished.



### Upcoming Activities

January is proving to be a busy month, every weekend has an activity. Starting with Saturday, January 4<sup>th</sup> the Officers, volunteers and families will be down in the morning to remove and store the holiday decorations, beginning at 8:00 am. Later that day we will host a Blue Lodge installation at 3:00 pm for 5 lodges. Saturday, January 11, we will have the Brother to Brother reach out program at the Consistory. This activity begins at 9:00 am and continues through to 11:30 am. We encourage your participation in this activity, come and join us! We hope to reconnect, by phone, with those brothers who we have not heard from in a while. Please contact Brother Rick Wenzel ([wenzelr2001@yahoo.com](mailto:wenzelr2001@yahoo.com)) if you are interested in helping. Saturday, January 18<sup>th</sup> is our annual Officers' meeting and installation practice. Saturday, January 25<sup>th</sup> will be the Knights of Saint Andrew's Robert Burns dinner, see the flyer for detailed information.

## From the Secretary's Desk ... CONTINUED

Friday lunches continue as well as Wednesday Billiards and Brothers. If you are in the area at lunch time, please join us for these ongoing activities.

### **New Educational Program**

Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup> continues our activities by presenting an exciting new program called "Let there be Light". It is an educational program meant to enhance your daily lives. It is open to all, Masons, family, and friends. This program will begin at 9:00 am on the 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **Next Stated Meeting**

Our January stated meeting will be the installation of Officers for the 2014 Scottish Rite year. The leaders for each line in 2014 are: Peter DeLaurier, 32° KCCH as Venerable Master; Thomas Thompson, 33° as Wise Master; Michael Moore, 32° KCCH as Commander; and John Trainor, 33° as Master of Kadosh. We will also have the annual meeting of the Scottish Rite Corporations. The dinner, by reservation at 303-861-4261, will include meatloaf with mashed potatoes.





# EDITOR'S CORNER

BY BILL HICKEY, 32° KCCH

This month's cover depicts the ancient Roman God "Janus" - their God of Beginnings - also known as the God of Gates and Doors. As you can see, one side regards what is past, and the other what is yet to come. The ancient Roman word for our first month was *Ianuarius* - not terribly different from our "January" today which was actually taken from the Etruscan word "jauna" which means "door." Because this month is the "Beginning" of a new year, we should take this symbol to remember the past (2013) with fondness, but also to welcome the future (2014) with joy, excitement and anticipation.

As we know from our own Masonic beginnings, one must emerge through a door or gate (the west) in order to enter a new place (the lodge). In that very real sense, Janus then gives us a symbolic representation of our craft as well as reminding us to welcome in the New Year each January.

As we enter 2014, some new changes are evident. I turned over the responsibility for the quarterly paper newsletter to WB John Warren, 33°, and began to assume the responsibility for the electronic Rite-Works monthly.

This month we will install our new officer lines at the Consistory. We will say a fond farewell (at least figuratively speaking anyway) to the current residents of the east in each line, and welcome the new slate of officers for the year. This marks not only the end of one phase of their efforts for our old line officers, but the beginning of a new opportunity for them to work in other areas to help the Scottish Rite in Denver.

As we see new opportunities emerge this year (and you only have to take a short look at the "Let There Be Light" announcement in this issue to see what I mean), let's all renew our commitment to the craft and to the Scottish Rite - it should definitely be an interesting AND enlightening year for everyone.



## Definition of a Mason to a Young Prospect

Masons are a bunch of guys, like your grandpa, dad, or uncle, who join local clubs they call "Lodges," where they can meet friends from all over the world. They teach each other to be better citizens and they give to all kinds of charities and help people in trouble.

You can find Masons if you look at their car tags, jackets, or rings and see an emblem with a compass to make circles, a two-headed eagle with a 32, or an Aladdin's sword.

At Parades and football games they wear white aprons, carry swords, and have funny hats with white feathers, or a red fez with a tassel. They have flags and clowns, camels and horses, drums and horns, and they drive their little cars and motorcycles.

You can call them Scottish Rite, 32nd Degree, Commandery, or Shriners, but they all belong to the same worldwide club of Masons.

They put on dances, dinners, fish fries, barbecues, and corn roasts to raise money that they give to help our kids' groups, and for scholarships. They also raise money for crippled children's hospitals, and for medical research. Masons do all kinds of good things, and they never even get paid!

While all Job's Daughters have to be related to a Mason in some manner, the International Order of Rainbow for Girls and DeMolay International for boys do not have a Masonic relationship requirement to join their organizations.



## BETWEEN THE COLUMNS

By Mike Moore, 32° KCCH

*“the central point is a symbol of time, and the circle of eternity. The latter, like the universe, being unlimited in its extent; for time is but a point compared to eternity and equal distant from all parts...”* George Oliver

### **The New Year**

Yes, it is that time again! Time to think ahead; plan and make goals for the upcoming calendar change, 2013 is now done and gone as we look back, we notice a lot of events and activities that took place on its pages. I hope 2013 was a good year for you.

Time is a precious thing. It goes by so fast; try not to let it be controlled by outside forces, but used and made the best of each day. In Freemasonry, it is an often overlooked theme. The concept is mentioned early on, but never again; we have the monument of Father Time standing behind a beautiful virgin untying her braided hair – a cryptic idea that is only briefly explained. We first see this symbol in the *Monitor of 1817* by John Barney. Since that first showing, Masons through the generations have been taught not to waste each valuable slice of life.

But did you ever notice the other parts of this statue/symbol? There is an urn (usually representing H.B.'s death) found in it, a scythe (just like what we see with a modern grim reaper), an old man (sometimes with wings) and a hour glass. All alluding to the inevitable event we call death.

The untying of the braided hair by the older man standing behind her shows a slow and methodical approach, one with which patience and

perseverance are needed, even by the experienced adept. Brother Mackey wrote *“Time, therefore, is... the symbol of a well-directed perseverance in the performance of duty”*.

What is that duty? To live well, advance in all things and to search for the meaning of it all. Life is not to be only for pleasures, experiences or excitement; it has a purpose - for you individually and all things around you. Use this New Year to accomplish many good things. What will you do with the 365 days, 8760 hours and 525,600 minutes it has? The fraternity and the world in general could use its profitable use.

Take this time to set goals, have a positive outlook for the future and work towards a better use of time. Make the world better. Improve yourself over what you were last year. Encourage and help others. Do the GREAT WORK.

We can get wrapped up in the details, but time is what is going on now all around you, what has happened in the past and what you see and imagine the next moments will be like; all in one concept.

In his 5<sup>th</sup> degree writings, Brother Pike says: *“then we... deduct from the sum total of our years the hours that we needlessly passed in sleep; the working hours of each day, during which the surface of the mind's sluggish pool has not been stirred or ruffled by a single thought; the days that we have gladly gotten rid of, to attain some real or fancied object that lay beyond... the hours worse than wasted in follies and dissipation or misspent in useless and unprofitable studies... and I have to wonder what is left? Only those brief moments when events transpire to make us advance, to make us smile or to help others.*





**Rural Knights - by ≠ Charlie Johnson, 33°**

In 2007, under the guidance and suggestion of Illustrious Brother Bob Elsloo, a group of Masons formed Scottish Rite Outpost #1 of Northeast Colorado located in the Northeast quadrant of our great state. The original purpose of this Post was to be able to exemplify some of the degree work of the Scottish Rite in our rural 'neck of the woods'. By-Laws were written that were approved by the Sovereign Grand Inspector General and this new Masonic group began to meet on the second Monday of each month for breakfast at a restaurant near Atwood, Colorado.

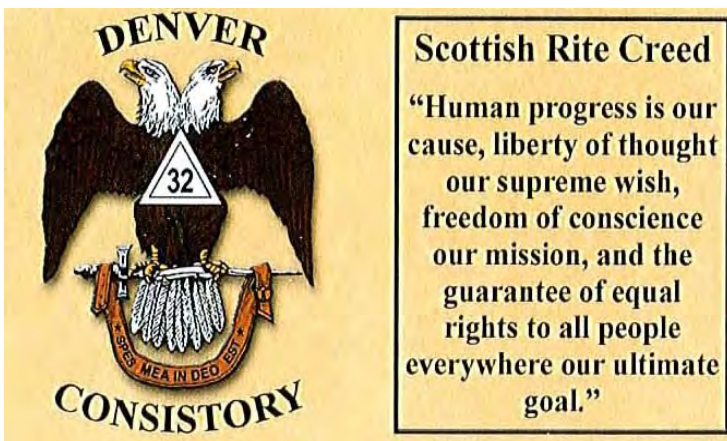
This is a unique story because the Scottish Rite Outpost #1 of Northeast Colorado meets in conjunction with the Northeast Colorado Shrine Club. Members belong to both organizations and this singular fact provides substance for the meetings and a chance to communicate with our Nobles and Brethren. We are fortunate to include in our membership, two past Grand Masters, one sitting Grand Master, two past Illustrious Grand Masters of Cryptic Masons, two past Grand High Priests as well as many other Grand Lodge, York Rite and Scottish Rite leaders. The rules for each group are written in similar fashion and the officers serve both organizations. This enables us to hear reports from the Grand Lodge, all the York Rite Bodies, the Denver Consistory of the Scottish Rite, and El Jebel Shrine.

Of course we're biased but we think we have interesting meetings and we also are able to combine resources to provide charitable donations to local needs. If Scottish Rite Masons in your community have a desire to meet on a regular basis, consider forming an Outpost. It is not intended to replace the connection with the Consistory but it will certainly enrich your view of our Craft.

We are looking for help in the following areas;

Coordinator for Sick and Distressed Brothers – We are looking for one or more men with extra time to gather information and visit our sick and distressed brothers. Sharing this information with the office would afford us the ability to have the answers when inquiries are made. Reports made during the meetings would be desired. Please apply to the Secretary.

Filing clerk – We are looking for volunteer help in our office to purge and file necessary paperwork. A few hours of work a week should get us caught up. Interested parties should apply to the Secretary.







## DENVER CONSISTORY KNIGHTS OF SAINT ANDREW UPDATE

Don't forget to make your reservations for the Burns Dinner on 25 January - it promises to be a very special evening. Part of the cost of the Scotch seminar will include a souvenir glass that was made for this event. The schedule for the dinner includes the 6pm Scotch seminar, 6:45 pm we will pipe in the Haggis. After the meal is over, there will be the traditional poems and toasts followed by a public Knighting ceremony.

A brief reminder: due to the current secretary receiving the KCCH honors, we are in need of a new secretary. Anyone interested in the job should contact Brother Shotts as soon as possible so he can give you the rundown on the duties.

While there are many details to be worked out, we are considering a special celebration for the 700th anniversary of the Battle of Bannockburn on June 21. Stay tuned for further information as we develop it.

Slàinte Mhath!



## Special Birthdays

### 100+ years old

Richard S. Brown

### 90 years old

Geroge R. Hagan  
Masami Kanda

### 80 years old

Stanley M. Cole  
George Brandt  
Charles R. Roberts  
Richard O. Taylor  
Robert H. Keel

### 70 years old

Robert F. Suggs  
Larry D. Moline  
William A. Stern  
Robert D. Mason  
Ronald W. Soule

### 60 years old

Raymond J. Grimes  
David L. Schachterle

### 50 years old

Robert E. Beaudin  
Morgan L. Emery

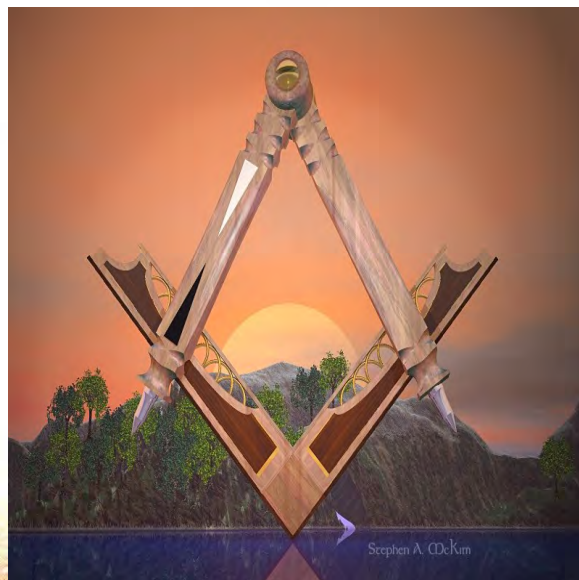
### 40 years old

Bobby Juchem



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Gerald Lester Cartwright, 32°	12/16/2013
James Ott Duggan, 32°	11/13/2013
Vernon Alvin Evans, 32°	11/11/2013
Paul Everett Fenske, 32°	12/03/2013
Joe Carol Haley, 32°	12/15/2013
Raymond G. Hanson, Jr., 32°	12/17/2013
Albert Louis Perry, 32°	11/25/2013
Leo Kay Scott, 32°	12/07/2013
John Edward Shinton, 32°	12/16/2013
Donald Wayne Truesdale, 32°	12/20/2013





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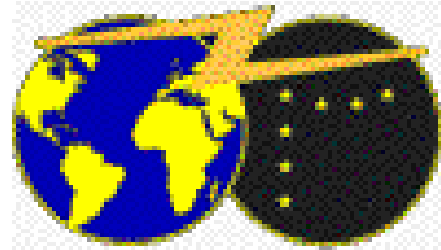
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# Youth Night



January 14, 2014

Dinner 6:30 PM - Education 8:15 PM

1614 Welton Street - Denver, CO 80202

Please join us in celebrating the youth of our Masonic Family. We will be having a wonderful night with the young men and women of Rainbow, DeMolay and Job's Daughters. Please enjoy dinner with them and get more information about organizations. We will learn about them and they will learn about us. Please bring anyone who would be interested in joining the Masonic family, especially a young person. Dinner is complimentary and parking will be reimbursed. RSVP David Schweitzer at 303 427 9047.

*Darin Roen—High Priest*

*Denver Chapter 2*



Denver Consistory Knights of St. Andrew

# BURNS' Night Supper

Celtic Entertainment & Poetry of the Bard

Saturday - January 25, 2014 6:45 p.m.



Dinner: \$35 cash/check or \$37 credit

Smoked Salmon Cheese Pate

Cock-a-Leekie Soup

Spice Beef Brisket

Chicken Tarragon in Cream Sauce

Kael Kenny Potatoes

Mixed Veg. in Whisky Cheese Sauce

Apple Oatmeal Pie

**And, of course**

**HAGGIS**



Optional Scotch Whisky Seminar

6:00 pm - Whisky College Year 2

Coastal Distilleries

\$15 cash/check or \$16 credit

Reservations: 303-861-4261

Cash/Check **ONLY** on night of event

Credit Card only by advance reservation