# RITEWORKS

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#### **PLANNING CALENDAR**

#### NOVEMBER

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Wednesday NOV 12	6:30 pm	Fall Reunion (at Children's Hospital Colorado - BY INVITATION ONLY)
Thursday NOV 13	7:30 am	Fall Reunion (45th Consecutive) Parking Garage Available
Friday NOV 14	9:00 am	Fall Reunion Parking Garage Available
	7:00 pm	Germania Lodge #46 New Orleans - Special EA Degree Presentation
Saturday NOV 15	8:00 am	Fall Reunion Parking Garage Available
Monday NOV 17		STATED MEETING - Parking Garage Available
	5:30 pm	Red Room Business Meeting
	6:00 pm	Veteran's Recognition Program, followed by dinner
		Turkey with all the trimmings and Pumpkin Pie
	7:00 pm	Split Meeting - Exemplify 32° for Reunion Class
		Entertainment for the Ladies
Saturday NOV 22	8:30 am	Consistory Decorating Party - ALL MEMBERS, OFFICERS, Families invited
Thursday NOV 27		Consistory CLOSED for Thanksgiving Holiday
Friday NOV 28		Consistory CLOSED for Thanksgiving Holiday
		DECEMBER
Saturday DEC 06	10:00 am	SR Foundation & Consistory Children's Christmas Party
		Parking Garage Available
Monday DEC 15		Stated Meeting - Parking Garage Available
	5:30 pm	Red Room Business Meeting
	6:00 pm	Dinner - Prime Rib with Boston Cream Pie
	7:00 pm	Entertainment
	7:30 pm	Split Meeting - Annual Election of Officers
Wednesday DEC 24		Consistory CLOSED at NOON for Christmas Holiday
Thursday DEC 25		Consistory CLOSED for Christmas Holiday
Friday DEC 26		Consistory CLOSED for Christmas Holiday
Wednesday DEC 31		Consistory CLOSED at NOON for New Year's Holiday
		JANUARY 2015
Thursday JAN 01		Consistory CLOSED for New Year's Holiday
Friday JAN 02		Consistory CLOSED for New Year's Holiday
Saturday JAN 10	8:00 am	Consistory UN-Decorating Party - all members, officers, family welcome
Saturday JAN 17	8:00 am	Officers' Breakfast and Installation Practice
Monday JAN 19		Stated Meeting - Parking Garage Available
	5:30 pm	Red Room Business Meeting
	6:00 pm	Dinner - TBA
	7:00 pm	Annual Meetings of Corporations and Installation of Officers for 2015



#### **REMINDER:** Denver Consistory is a NO SMOKING facility.

This includes regular tobacco products as well as e-cigarettes and other forms of smoking. There is an area for smokers just outside the glass doors near the street.



#### EDITOR'S SOAPBOAX

By Bill Hickey, 32° KCCH



One of the "perks" of being an editor (so I'm told) is that you occasionally get to stand on the proverbial "soapbox" to try to make a few points.

- 1. By the time MOST of you read this issue of RITEWORKS, the 2014 elections will be in the books, and the results will be history. If you did not vote, shame on you. Millions of men and women throughout history sacrificed their lives and fortunes for you to have the privilege, duty, and ability to cast a ballot to determine the course of your country, state, and local governments. By not voting (for whatever reasons), you have effectively said those sacrifices were insignificant...AND...you have only given a poor example for the next generation to follow.
- 2. EDUCATION: we TALK a good game on that we say we want more education in our Masonic travels and heaven knows the Denver Consistory is providing NUMEROUS opportunities for you to get more education. From the "Let There Be Light" programs each month, to the KSA's new degree educational series, and other opportunities, there really is NO EXCUSE for you to say there isn't more "education" available. SO ... WHY aren't more of you showing up?
- 3. This month is Veterans Day November 11th originally called "Armistice Day" to commemorate the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month when the Armistice to end WWI (the "War to end all Wars) was signed. Take a few moments on that day to remember the members of your family, the craft, and your friends that have answered the call to service of the country over the years and if they're still around THANK THEM FOR THEIR SERVICE. Many of our brothers served in Viet Nam and returned home to a hostile welcome. We lost many of our potential brothers in the craft from that generation simply because of the "welcome" they got when they returned.
- 4. INTERNET OK, if you're reading the RITEWORKS, chances are 99.99% that you are on the internet and use it routinely. There are all sorts of "bad guys" out there, intent on bilking you out of your hard earned money, and figuring out ways to make life "interesting" for you on the net. Be sure you use a current antivirus program (and KEEP IT UPDATED), make sure your FIREWALL is turned on and working properly. If you have a POP-UP blocker, make sure you have it set the way you want. AND, do NOT figure "if one program doing that work is good, two or more doing it is better" because programs that do the same thing often conflict with each other and actually cause your computer to crash.
- 5. <a href="http://www.youtube.com/v/6TPgJSZf5Vw">http://www.youtube.com/v/6TPgJSZf5Vw</a>? (a New "Patriotic" Song)



## From the Secretary's Desk ...

"This Internet thing is really just a FAD ....

It'll never amount to much."



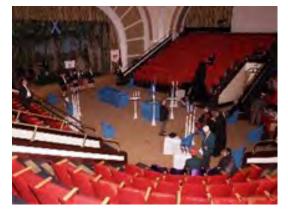
Bill Klatil, 33°

<u>October's stated meeting</u> included our annual Feast of Tishri observance. A fine lecture was delivered by Illustrious Brother John Trainor. Our webmaster, Dan Conway, 32°, gave an overview of our new and improved website. He highlighted the calendar, menu (dinner) tab, forms, committee contacts, masonic books and many other helpful insights. The website is found at <a href="https://www.denverconsistory.org">www.denverconsistory.org</a>. If you have a question, this tool probably contains the answer. If it doesn't, please contact the office at 303-861-4261. We are happy to answer all of your questions.





<u>Our "Let There be Light" program</u> on October 25 was well attended. In addition to a group of participants, Illustrious Brothers Brent Morris, GC, the SGIG, and the Personal Representative were there. The four topics presented gave us incite to the world in general. We had an extra added bonus by a card trick performed by our visitor, Illustrious Brother Morris.



Reunion petitions stand at 16. We have one more special meeting on Monday November 10<sup>th</sup> to read any last minute submissions. We are trying to reach 20 in this class. The Degree Casts practices are in full swing. If you would like to preview any of the degrees, the practice schedules are posted on our website under the calendar tab. This is also a great way, if you are so inclined, to show the directors of your interest to participate in the several degrees. We are always looking for help especially if you have a flair to perform.

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## From the Secretary's Desk ... (continued)

**November Stated Meeting** - Our next stated meeting, Monday, November 17, will be the presentation of the 32<sup>nd</sup> degree. We encourage all members to come but especially those who have not witnessed this degree in a while. After the degree we will invite the ladies and guests to re-enter the auditorium for a capping ceremony. Come show your support for our newest Masters of the Royal Secret.



<u>The Consistory Decoration Day</u> is set for Saturday, November 22 at 8:30 am. This is always a good time to renew friendships and begin to participate in the Holiday Season. Please put it on your calendar to join us in this fun activity.



<u>Friday night Reunion event</u> will be the Scottish Rite First Degree exemplified by Germania Lodge #46 of New Orleans. The program begins at 7:00 pm. All Masons are encouraged to attend this once in a generation Colorado performance. Parking is available in the parking structure just to the South of the Consistory. Dinner at 6:00 pm is available by reservation for \$15.00.

#### THE 45<sup>TH</sup> FALL REUNION, NOVEMBER 13, 14, 15 and 17.

**Friday night, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm**. - Scottish Rite Blue Lodge First Degree by Germania Lodge of New Orleans. **Dinner at 6:00 pm available.** Make reservations with the office. **All Masons Welcome!** 

Saturday, November 15 at 10:50 am - DeMolay presenting the DeMolay Degree.

Monday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, our stated meeting -The 32° exemplified.

Do you know an interested Mason that could benefit by the degrees of the Scottish Rite?

**Saturday, November 22 at 8:30 am** – Consistory decorating party.



## Colorado Council of Kadosh ORATION October 20, 2014

COUNCIL OF

Darren Klinefelter, 32° - Orator

KADOSH 19° — 30°

Good evening, Brethren. I come to you as an officer in the Colorado Council of Kadosh line, so I thought that maybe I should focus my oration on membership. Membership in the Valleys and Orients of the Scottish Rite seems to be a hot topic right now, so this oration may be germane to the overall discussion at hand.

Recently, I attended a weekend workshop at the House of the Temple in Washington, DC that was focused on membership. There were many great ideas that came out of that weekend, but also some discouraging observations. Something that I noticed during our workshop was how the Valley of Denver compared to other Valleys in the Southern Jurisdiction. I am quite proud to say that we perform extremely well in comparison to many of the Valleys in the Scottish Rite, which is a wonderful thing.

For example, many Valleys have initiated goals to increase the number of required degrees that they present during a reunion. Here in the Valley of Denver, we exemplify EVERY mandatory degree at each and every reunion. Of this we should be proud.

Many more Valleys have initiated goals to increase the number of overall Degrees that they perform during their reunions. Here in the Valley of Denver, we exemplify EVERY degree each year. If you participate in two reunions in one year's time, you will see each and every Degree of the Scottish Rite, and you will see them performed very well. In our Valley, the dedication and commitment to the Degrees of the Scottish Rite is almost unparalleled within the Southern Jurisdiction.

All of these attributes are wonderful, and you should be proud of our Consistory here in Denver, but it belies a discouraging fact. While we excel in much of what we do here, we are in the same predicament that all of the Valleys of the Scottish Rite are in regarding their membership numbers. Many of the goals that the Supreme Council suggests that each Valley attain are already being met by this excellent Consistory. We are doing much of the things that other Valleys are striving to accomplish, yet our membership isn't where we would like it to be. What else do we need to do? What else can we do?

We have offered surveys out to the Brethren via email campaigns, but the response to those surveys has been dismal. Our percentage of responses is in the single digits. I realize that I am preaching to the choir here, as those percentages are likely representative of the men sitting in this cathedral right now. You've done your job, spent a few moments to give us valuable feedback, and for that we are grateful. But there must be a way to get our Brethren engaged.

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#### Colorado Council of Kadosh - Oration

I often follow up with new members of the Rite to inquire if they will be attending the next meeting, or if not, why is that the case? I encourage each of you to do the same. Obviously, if you are a mentor, you're doing this already, but you need not be a mentor to make a Brother feel welcome. In fact, if you aren't his mentor, it's even more likely to make an impact. Invite him down to our monthly communication. Offer to carpool with him. Sit with him at dinner and introduce him to the Brethren in the room and during the meeting. Explain to him how our meetings are executed, how the officers are aligned on the floor, and answer any questions that he may have. All of these things will make him feel more a part of this great fraternity more quickly, and it will get him more active.

I heard something a few years ago from a Brother that got me thinking. He said that he didn't want to make an effort to get more active, since the red and white hats were taking care of everything, as they were so active there really wasn't anything for him to do. I thought on that for a moment, then responded that he was right, but he was also wrong. Yes, the red hats and white hats ARE, indeed, the most active in the Consistory. But those same Brothers were also incredibly active when they were black hats. That is likely a major contributing factor to why they are wearing the hats that they are today! Even though our KCCHs and 33rds are very active, there is ALWAYS room for a 32nd to get involved. There is nothing to stop you from participating in the myriad of activities that go on in our Consistory each and every week. Are you a 32nd Degree Scottish Rite Mason who is itching to do more? Consider the Knights of Saint Andrew. (full disclosure on the shameless plug for the KSA: I am the Venerable Master of that Chapter, but I'd still love to have you). The Knights are all black hats in their active membership, and they always have something going on, so jump in. Ask a Brother in a kilt how you can help!

Brethren, the point that I'm trying to make here is that we have quite a few members on the rolls already, but not all of them are active. Yes, we need to get petitions into our body, but we have deaths happening with frightening regularity, enough so that the petitions aren't going to replace them Brother for Brother. We need to get the Brothers that we have now more active. THAT is where our Strength lies. We are our future. If you are a Scottish Rite Mason, ask yourself why you aren't here each third Monday of the Month. Is something keeping you away? Let us know what that is, and we'll see if we can change it. You owe it to us to be here. We owe it to you to make it worth your while. Let's see if we can meet in the middle, and make this thing work.

Thank you.

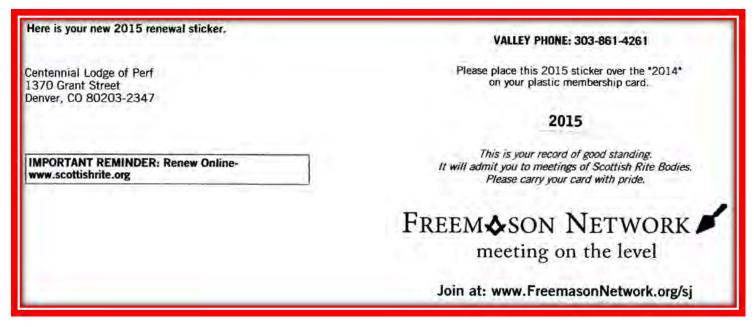




## **Scottish Rite Degree Education**

The Knights of Saint Andrew have begun a series of presentations on the various degrees in the Scottish Rite. The first presentation was by Brother Aaron Klinefelter, 32° KCCH, on the 24° at the KSA October meeting. The second was by Brother Grover Sardeson, 33° on the 28° in their November meeting. For the December Meeting, Brother Tim Hogan, 32° KCCH will discuss the 27th degree. Future degree presentations will be announced in the RiteWorks and at regular Consistory and KSA Stated Meetings. Brothers need not be members of the KSA, only a Scottish Rite Mason to attend. Please join us for these evenings of education and learn a bit more about the Degrees that comprise your Scottish Rite.

2015 Scottish Rite dues notices will be in the mail soon. As you know, the Scottish Rite issued permanent dues cards beginning last year. When you pay your dues this year, you'll receive a card like the one shown here. It has a date sticker attached that you will need to peel off and place on your dues card over the 2014 date. Please do not ignore this important card! Affix the year sticker to your DENVER SCOTTISH RITE plastic dues card.





# BETWEEN THE COLUMNS

Michael D. Moore, 32° KCCH



## What is Enlightenment?

"...the Supreme Being is a centre of light whose rays or emanations pervade the universe; for that is the light for which all Masonic journeys are a search, and of which the sun and moon in our lodges only emblems...

Brother Albert Pike. (17<sup>th</sup> degree *Morals and Dogma*)

I find it so interesting that the one topic we are told and instructed to search after repeatedly cannot be readily found in any of the major Masonic reference books by title. That topic is "enlightenment." Enlightenment (the word) will not be seen in Coil's *Masonic Encyclopedia*, Albert Mackey writes very little on the topic in his *Encyclopedia of Freemasonry* (under light), nothing on it in his lexicon, Robert Macoy says nothing of it in his *Masonic Dictionary*, and neither does George Oliver. Enlightenment will not even be seen in *Morals and Dogma's* index!

Why is that? It might be that the search for truth (enlightenment) is a easy word to pronounce, hard to quote and even harder to define. We seek light, further light and more light when asked what we desire as candidates in the Blue Lodge degrees and it is a major theme in our Scottish Rite degrees. It is more than just knowledge; enlightenment is also an applied concept.

Equivalent to the Latin word," *Illuminatus*", enlightenment means rescued from darkness or received intellectual light. It might be that since we can't start this search with our regular references, we may have to look for other words that mean the same thing or use the middle letters of the word as a starting point (light). The worship of light is found in all ages and religions and has a direct connection with enlightenment.

Light is the opposite of darkness – some churches declare all have sin (darkness) in them and must be brought to the truth (light) to inherit future rewards and eternal life. In the Blue lodge, the candidate is made "dark" by a blindfold which symbolizes the spiritual and intellectual darkness he has in him. This journey from darkness to light can be seen in the ancient places of baptism where the initiate went down into the water which was in a cave-like structure and when they came out and up into the light, they were cleansed and a new creature. A new white garment was given them and sometimes a new name.

God revealed himself to Moses in a burning bush – a fire or light that did not consume. This maybe is where the two concepts of truth and light merged for the first time in our history, for He spoke His name when Moses asked who he was to say instructed him. We still seek

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to find that truth today. Because of that event, Moses was told that the area around that unconsumed bush was Holy ground, to remove his sandals. The concept is not a far leap of logic. We claim God is light (truth), that Jesus said "I am that light" and that Light is an emanation of God.



The light theme continues for us when we use candles in the lodge as symbols of divine truth and surround the Volume of Sacred Law with them. Light and truth merge into a central symbol. Modern lights may illuminate the room, but during obligations it is only candles that surround the altar, when the electric lights are turned down. We use stars, comets and suns as symbols; all having to do with light in various forms. Even the Moon which reflects the Sun's light fits in here. We are "brought to light" or enlightened when presented with truth, and encouraged to actively seek for it in our lives. It should be the main concept we teach our new members and be the core of all we do.

Since truth is a hard concept to understand, I can understand why the word enlightenment can be that way and is not explicitly found in any Masonic dictionary or encyclopedia. The writers of those books must have had a hard time with the concept too, and anything they put down on the pages did not meet with their view as to what it would or should mean. Yet I won't let that be a quick escape for them or us. While an enlightened man cannot be easily defined, we know him to be compassionate, intelligent, reserved, logical, and balanced. The final speech given to our new members in the 32<sup>nd</sup> degree mentions light and enlightenment as one when the instructor says to the candidates- *the inner light leads us on*.

Want to be enlightened? No one can directly point the specific path for you to follow or the sequence of events that need to happen for you to achieve this, but we know where to start. Look to the lessons in our degrees and pick up where they leave off. Apply all you learn as you go and keep your heart and mind open. The task is not impossible, for if we look all around us we meet brothers who are well on their own path and seeking light along with us.



# THE PRELATE'S PULPIT

Rev. Jim Harris, 32° KCCH



November is a month when ski areas open, we think of Thanksgiving, and yes, we can expect snowfall. For the Denver Consistory, it is a time for us to think about our fall reunion on November 12-15. The Reunion is a time for Scottish Rite Masons from all over to come together to see and to take part in the degrees given to a "class" of candidates.

Reunions are mentioned in the Bible as in Isaiah 60 when the people are returning after a time of separation. During our reunion, an army of men will work in committees behind the scenes as another group of costumed men put on the degrees for our candidates.

It is important for members of the Consistory to watch these degrees and refresh memories of the time when they too were candidates. It is a time for us to reconnect with our brothers, eat meals and watch these magnificent degrees. The Bible calls us to be members one of another, to love each other, and to care for each other. Let's fill the Cathedral Room and enjoy this reunion.

#### A Toast to Veterans

Crystal is the goblet, clear, like the vision of our mission. Red is the wine, dark, to remind us of those who have gone before us.

Strong is the hand that holds it, yet tender, when the time is nigh.

Tall is the Warrior, whatever stature they may be.

We stand together brothers, comrades, and mates.

We pause to respect the departed, and reflect on the life they chose to follow.

We lift these glasses high in honor, tribute and glory to all who may be called American Armed Forces Veterans



### Is This All That I Am About?

By John Warren, 33°

"If you limit your actions in life to things that nobody can possibly find fault with, you will not do much." Charles Lutwidge Dodgson

Prior to the start of October's "Let There Be Light" program, several Brothers - including Ill. Bro. Brent Morris, 33° GC from Supreme Council, who was in Denver to speak later in the day at both Research Lodge and Union Lodge #7 - were at a table having a conversation. The topic was declining membership/retention.

One group member opined that one problem was how the Honormen (White/Red Caps) were selected, a sore subject to me and many others as well. Another described his feelings about how policy might be changed because one person complained about something, and still another commented that a Professional Baseball player might ask himself "Is this all that I am good for?" - and so it went until the "Let there Be Light" program began.

That last comment is what caught my ear. I asked myself right then "Is Masonry all I am good for?" and voiced that comment to the group. Of course, there was no answer. Twelve hours later, there is still no answer. There are so many questions to answer with so little time to do so.

The first question must be: "What induced me to become a Mason?" Even though there is/was a long history of Masonry on my mother's side of the family with uncles, grandfathers, great-grandfathers and Eastern Star members in the Fraternity, I just did not think much about it. Early in 1991 at work, I overheard some co-workers talking about Masons and asked them about it. That speeding train took me to October, 1991 and being declared a proficient Master Mason. In early 1992, I became a Scottish Rite Mason as well as joining many other Masonic Groups.

I had become a member of the Fraternity, or a unique "band of Brothers," if you will, and that is why I became a Mason.

The next question must be: "Why have I stayed?" I have stayed a Mason because of all the opportunities to learn, to excel, to teach, to expand my horizons, etc. Memorizing anything had been nearly impossible prior to my initiation as an EA. I've got to say that using only "B" books and one letter keys to learn proficiencies changed that idea. Today, here I am doing degree work in Lodge and the Consistory. Someone else must decide how effective I am at doing that.

The final question must be, then: "Is Masonry all that I am about?" This is the easiest to answer... NO? I walk in to my kid's house and the eight and five year old boys stop what they are doing and give me a hug. The three year old girl takes my hand and asks me to play with her. This is huge!!!

I belong to some other non-Masonic groups where I am in a similar "Band of Brothers" that tolerate my foibles in much the same way the Fraternity does. This too, is HUGE!!! Do I live and breathe Masonry? Yes! Is Masonry the only thing in my life? No!

It says in the Rose Croix Funeral Service, in part, that: "Heavy are the griefs of our personal mortal life. Health decays in to sickness and hope into disappointment." And so it is in life itself.

"The third-rate mind is only happy when it is thinking with the majority. The second-rate mind is only happy when it is thinking with the minority. The first-rate mind is only happy when it is thinking." A. A. Milne



# DENVER CONSISTORY KNIGHTS OF ST. ANDREW



Darren Klinefelter, 32° Venerable Master (2014-15)

Greetings from the Denver Consistory Knights of Saint Andrew. We have a few things to report from the KSA. First, in striving to offer Masonic Education to all of the Scottish Rite Masons, the Knights of Saint Andrew have initiated a Degree Education Series that we will offer during our Chapter Meetings, which are the first Monday of the month, at 6:30 in the Lodge room of the Scottish Rite Cathedral. During each brief lecture, a Scottish Rite Brother, usually a degree director, will present the morals and lessons of a Scottish Rite Degree to all in attendance. Membership in the Knights of Saint Andrew is **NOT** a prerequisite since this is a service that the Knights of Saint Andrew is offering to the Scottish Rite membership as a whole. I hear quite frequently that the Brethren want more Masonic Education, so the Knights have heard you and are creating the venue for you to receive it.

Our October presenter was Aaron Klostermeyer, 32° KCCH, who gave an excellent presentation of the 24th Degree. As director of that degree, Aaron has great knowledge of its lessons and symbols, and he conveyed that information beautifully to all of the Brethren present. This was truly one of the best presentations that I have witnessed for any degree, so I'm sorry if you missed it. For November, our presentation was provided by Ill. Bro. Grover Sardeson, 33°, on the 28th Degree. The additional information about this degree provided in this session gave everyone a new appreciation for the layers upon layers of lessons contained within it. These were just the first two in a series being sponsored by the Knights of Saint Andrew at their monthly stated meetings. All Scottish Rite Masons are invited to attend.

Our most recent semi-annual, pre-reunion Cathedral Clean up day took place on November 1st, at 8am. The Knights of Saint Andrew hold these clean-up sessions just prior to each reunion to make sure the Cathedral looks its best for our new members as they are exposed to our degrees for the first time. Please plan to donate a few hours of your time to help keep our Cathedral looking beautiful in a future cleanup. You need not be a Knight of Saint Andrew to participate. And, the more help we have, the less time and effort is involved by each person.

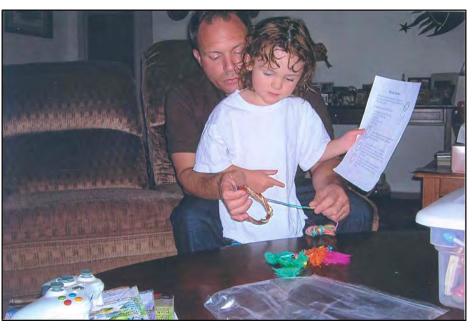
It's also not too early to begin thinking about the annual fundraiser of the Knights of Saint Andrew, which is our Robert Burns Supper on the final Saturday, January 31st (weekend *after* Grand Lodge). As always, we will offer authentic Scottish fare for supper (the Haggis is not the only offering...), with a bit of Celtic-themed entertainment and poetry to accompany the meal. The supper will be preceded by The Whisky College Year 3: The Royals. We've heard requests from the Brethren in years past that they would like more in-depth information and discussion during the Whisky College, so we will accommodate you. The cost of the Supper this year is \$35, which includes wine and fare, and the Whisky College Seminar supplement, if you choose, will be \$15, which includes a souvenir whisky glass. Please join us for an excellent fundraiser to benefit our historic Scottish Rite Cathedral here in Denver, as well as RiteCare. I hope to see you often!



# Treasure Chest Program Early Language and Learning Support for Families

by

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



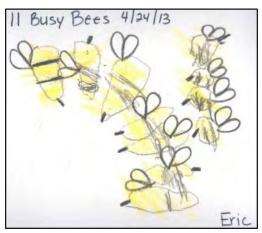
The Treasure Chest Program is a take-home program for toddlers and preschool children. Families receive theme-based reading and learning materials each month for in-home use under the instruction and guidance of our partners.

These partners include The Piñon Project (an early childhood resource center in Cortez) and Head Start (Grand Junction).

Each Treasure Chest (typically a plastic storage box) is filled with books and fun educational activities to increase parent-child interaction and enhance early literacy development and school readiness.

When the materials are returned (typically on a monthly rotation cycle), the boxes and materials are cleaned and made ready for another child and family.





Artwork by Kiana (left) and Eric (right)

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#### **Treasure Chest Program - Continued from previous page**

Since we started the Treasure Chest Program in 2000, more than 2,150 children and their families have participated.

The following parental statements are typical of parental opinion about this program's value to their child ~ and their family.

"It helped us be able to get together as a family."

"It helped my daughter and me bond. We learned from one another through teaching each other and how to work together."

"The program has significantly improved my son's speech and language skills."

"When my older son went on to kindergarten, he was one of the only kids that were ahead.

Head Start and Treasure Chest Program helped my family so much."

Treasure Chest has been very successful on the Western Slope. We strongly support such an activity targeted at low income communities and are interested in expansion to other parts of Colorado. You'll be hearing more about this in our upcoming Promise to Care Campaign.





Denver Consistory's 9Health Fair will be held on Saturday, April 25, 2015 from 7am to noon. Please make a note of the date. We'll be putting out a call for volunteers in the near future in anticipation of yet another successful health fair.

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David Allen Fenton, 32°	10/10/2014
George Eugene Hock, 32°	09/28/2014
Dale Carney Hopper, 32°	04/21/2014
Harry Thomas McClain, Jr., 32°	10/18/2 <mark>014</mark>
Donald S. McReynolds, 32°	10/26/2014
Kenneth Ray Nelson, 32°	10/24/2014
Robert Edwin Stout, 32°	09/15/2014
Richard Anthony Tajbl, 32°	08/18/2014
Frank Henry Weick, 32° KCCH	10/14 <mark>/2014</mark>

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: John Buchanan, 33° Chairman, Jerry Fenimore, 33°, Gerald Ford, 33°, Jack Harlan, 33°, M. Edward Johnson, 33°, Richard Mitchell, 33°, Matthew Raia, 33°, Roy Snyder, 32° KCCH, John Warren, 33°, Richard Wenzel, 32°

If you are interested in joining the Rose Croix Funeral Team and helping them, contact the office or John Buchanan, 33° for more information.

# NOVEMBER Special Birthdays

Forgot to include this one last month ...

#### 90 Years Young

Robert B. Ellis **Jack Stubbs** George D. Wagner Jack E. Mitchell

#### **80 Years Young**

Harrison F. Hayes Kenneth Wood Donald M. Wollenzien

#### **70 Years Young**

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# Knights of St. Andrew Valley of Denver Orient of Colorado



Scottish Rite Degree Education - A presentation by Tim Hogan, 32° KCCH, on the 27th Degree will be presented during the Knights' of Saint Andrew monthly Chapter meeting on Monday, December 1st at 6:30 pm. This is the 3nd presentation in the Degree Educational Series sponsored by the Knights of Saint Andrew for the benefit of the Denver Consistory. Brothers need not be members of the KSA, only a Scottish Rite Mason to attend. Please join us for an evening of education and learn a bit more about the Degrees that comprise your Scottish Rite.

S&F,
Darren Klinefelter, 32°, Venerable Master
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Friday, November 14, 2014 at 7:00 pm

The Scottish Rite First Degree is coming to the Denver Consistory. The teachings are the same as in our jurisdiction but the presentation is completely different! Experience how it is done in Louisiana.

"Suffice it to say that the continuation of these various Rituals in Louisiana is unique, and Masons from other Jurisdictions who have witnessed the Degrees here had naught but praise for their beauty, eloquence and profoundness of meaning."





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and Whisky College

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Hearing Impaired Kids Endowment Fund Supported by Job's Daughters International

Dear Colorado Masonic Family and Friends,

As members of the Masonic Family, we know that philanthropy has a very important place in your hearts and in your work. Through this letter we hope to inform you of what one branch of the Masonic Family, Job's Daughters International, is doing to promote the spirit of charity.

In 1985 Job's Daughters International created a charitable organization called H.I.K.E., which stands for Hearing Impaired Kids Endowment. The HIKE Fund raises money for underprivileged children in need of hearing aids and other listening devices. During the 2013-2014 year, HIKE and the Job's Daughters of the world raised just over \$122,000 and gave out over \$81,000 in grants! This year The HIKE Fund is turning 30 and we want to make it the best anniversary yet!

We, the Colorado Daughter HIKE Coordinators, have set a fundraising goal this year of \$5000. This will double what Colorado raised last year. This year, we are asking that every lodge, chapter, assembly, court, etc. of the Colorado Masonic Family make a donation to The HIKE Fund. If possible, we would like all Colorado Masonic Family donations be made by January 1, 2015, before our other fundraising events take place in spring 2015. We have no doubt that with your help we will be able to exceed our goal and help even more children this next year!

The HIKE Fund, is a 501(c)3 organization. Therefore, all donations are tax deductible. Please consider helping out The HIKE Fund and Colorado Job's Daughters this year with a donation and help a child hear the wonderful sounds of this beautiful world! Thank you for your time and support. If you have any questions, please contact the Colorado HIKE Coordinator, Stefanie McDaniel at (970) 495-9976 or psmcdaniel03@q.com.

Sincerely,

The Colorado Daughter HIKE Coordinators Kailey, Molly and Chloe

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