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

The office is experiencing a LOT of undeliverable emails. If you have not received communications from us within the past month, please call the office to verify your address. OR ... stop by the office during the reunion to update your contact information.

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OUR KEY TO NEW MEMBERS



PLANNING CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 2017

Fri, November 3	11:30 a.m.	Consistory Lunch (Fried Chicken)
Sat, November 4	9:00-11:00 a.m.	KSA Cleanup Day in preparation for Reunion
Mon, November 6	6:30 p.m.	KSA Meeting in Consistory Lodge Room
Wed, November 8	6:30 p.m.	Fall Reunion (51st consecutive) Children's Hospital Colorado (Invitation only)
Thu, November 9	7:00 a.m.	Fall Reunion (51st consecutive) Parking Garage Available Lunch: Mac & Cheese and Hot Dogs
Fri, November 10	7:00 a.m.	Fall Reunion (51st consecutive) Parking Garage Available Lunch: Stromboli
	6:00 p.m.	Banquet (25 & 50 year awards) (Beef Tenderloin)
	7:00 p.m.	Open Program After Dinner (Music portion of 22 nd degree)
Sat, November 11	7:00 a.m.	Fall Reunion (51st consecutive) Parking Garage Available Lunch: Chicken Alfredo
Fri, November 17	11:30 a.m.	Consistory Lunch (Bangers and Mash)
Sat, November 18	9:00 a.m.	Consistory Decorating Party—All members, officers, and wives invited
Mon, November 20		Stated Meeting Parking Garage Available
	5:30 p.m.	Red Room Business Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	Dinner (Beef Stroganoff; Chocolate cake)
	7:00 p.m.	Entertainment - Veterans Recognition Program
	7:30 p.m.	Split Meeting - Consistory Line Ritual Opening/Closing
Thu-Fri November 23-24:		Consistory CLOSED for Thanksgiving Holiday (NO LUNCH)

DECEMBER 2017

Fri, December 1	11:30 a.m.	Consistory Lunch (Fried Chicken)
Sat, December 2	10:00 a.m.	SR Foundation/Consistory Children's Christmas party Parking Garage Available
Mon, December 4	6:30 p.m.	KSA Meeting in Consistory Lodge Room
Fri, December 8	11:30 a.m.	Consistory Lunch
Fri, December 15	11:30 a.m.	Consistory Lunch
Mon, December 18		Stated Meeting Parking Garage Available Rose Croix Line Ritualistic Opening/Closing
	5:30 p.m.	Red Room Business Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	Dinner (TBD)
	7:00 p.m.	Entertainment
	7:30 p.m.	Split meeting - Annual Election of Officers
Fri, December 22		NO LUNCH
Mon, December 25		Consistory CLOSED for Christmas Holiday

JANUARY 2018

Mon, January 1, 2018		Consistory CLOSED for New Year's Holiday
Fri, January 5	11:30 a.m.	Consistory Lunch (Fried Chicken)
Sat, January 6	8:00 a.m.	Consistory UN-Decorating party (All officers, members, wives, guests invited)
Fri, January 12	11:30 a.m.	Consistory Lunch (TBD)
Sat, January 13	8:00 a.m.	Officers' Breakfast and Installation Practice
Mon, January 14		Stated Meeting Parking Garage Available
	5:30 p.m.	Red Room Business Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	Dinner (TBD)
	7:00 p.m.	Awards and Announcements, Installation of Officers, and Annual Meetings Of Corporations
Sat, January 20	6:45 p.m.	KSA Burns Supper
Fri, January 26		Consistory CLOSED for Grand Lodge Communication



EDITOR'S CORNER

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COMMITMENT

If you hadn't already noticed, this issue of RiteWorks is a bit larger than usual (more pages). That's because we had a lot of folks putting stuff in, and a lot of pictures. I couldn't use them all, as that would have been out-of-sight for size and distribution. But, we did get a lot of good items for this month. Please keep information and photos coming—it makes my job “interesting” trying to figure out how to fit everything into the space we have.

The word “Commitment” is often bandied about rather casually. When I first became involved with Colorado Job's Daughters, and later the Denver Consistory, a story told to the girls in Bethel 37 by then Associate Grand Guardian Randy Trullinger, 32° KCCH, went something like this:

Old MacDonald had a farm. In fact, he had worked that farm for 25 years. All the animals got together in the barn one night and talked about how well Farmer MacDonald had cared for them. They all felt it was only right that they should somehow repay him and show him how grateful they were for his care all those years.

So, they all decided that perhaps what they could do for the Farmer, since he was up so early every morning, was to make him a good hearty breakfast to help him get started.

The Chicken said that she could lay some eggs and contribute that to the breakfast.

The Cow said that she could provide the milk, butter, and cheese for the breakfast.

But, then, the conversation stopped, and all the animals looked over at the pig. The pig said “HOLD ON A MINUTE. You all are talking about CONTRIBUTIONS ... But you're asking me for a COMMITMENT! (Bacon)

When WE make a commitment (regardless of what it is, or to whom we make it), we are offering our most precious gift - OUR TIME - which we can not replace. So, there are TWO things we need to focus on when we talk about “commitment” in our lives.

- (1) If WE make a commitment to do something, we need to make SURE that (a) we are ABLE to do it, (b) we are WILLING to do it, and (c) we ACTUALLY DO IT as we said we would.
- (2) if we find that we have OVERCOMMITTED ourselves, we are obligated to tell those impacted, as soon as possible, that we can't fulfill what we agreed to do for them. That lets them plan and search for an alternative because now we're no longer available to help them.

And, this brings me to one of the most important lessons we all need to learn in life: The Grand Word—NO. Said firmly, but politely and nicely, it lets people know you can't or won't do something—instead of giving them false hope and assurances that you will, when you won't. COMMITMENT isn't just a word, it's a PROMISE.



From the Secretary's Desk

[Matt Raia, 33°](#)

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September 30th was the Honors Conferral at Denver Consistory for the 2017 Honormen. Congratulations to our Brothers receiving Honors (see photos elsewhere in this issue).

October 1st was the reception in honor of **Audrey Ford's** retirement. Thank you to all who attended and thank you to all who contributed to her retirement gift. Your thoughtfulness is appreciated. (see photos elsewhere in this issue).

Thank you to the following Brothers who participated in the Calling Committee on October 4th. Your assistance is really appreciated. The Brothers you called really enjoyed receiving the phone calls you made. **Gene Hardy, 32° KCCH; Danny Tomlinson, 32°; Bill Skewes, 32° KCCH; Ron Birely, 33°; Al Ulibarri, 33°; Joseph Cominiello, 32°; Jered Minter, 32° KCCH; Joe Magoffin, 32° KCCH; Joe Mitchell, 32°; Dick Mitchell, 33°, and Bobby Juchem, 32° KCCH.**

Our October 16th Stated meeting was a busy meeting—with awards, presentations, Feast of Tishri celebration, Ritualistic Open/Close by the Centennial Lodge of Perfection, Masonic education by **Brother Bryant Harris, 32° KCCH**, and an oration by **Brother Dan Conway, 32° KCCH**, Orator of the Centennial Lodge of Perfection. Wow, what a great night!



The Ladies meeting (while we had our Stated Meeting) project was **Rock Painting**. The ladies had a lot of fun showing off their artistic talents.



Patents and Photos were presented to the Spring Reunion class members.



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Passport awards were presented to those who completed their Reunion Passports. Congratulations! A special Passport Award will be presented next year for those who complete a second passport.



Master Craftsman Program Certificates were presented to **Brother John Davis, 32°**, and **Brother Hunter McCallum, 32°**. A Master Craftsman Symbolic Lodge certificate was presented to **Brother Gene Hardy, 32° KCCH**. Congratulations Brothers!

Life Membership Certificates were presented to **Brother Gene Hardy, 32° KCCH**; **Brother Bill Skewes, 32° KCCH**; **Brother David Vaughn, 32°**; and **Brother Danny Will, 32° KCCH**. Thank you Brethren for supporting Denver Consistory by purchasing a Life Membership. By doing so, you leave a legacy for the benefit of Denver Consistory.



Double Eagle Jewels, pins, and ribbons were presented to those who earned the required points to qualify for the awards. Points are awarded for attending meetings, volunteering, participating in a degree, working on a committee, etc. By being involved and participating, points are earned toward the recognition awards. A **BIG** thank you to all who work so hard for Denver Consistory.

Life Memberships are an ideal way to avoid paying future dues increases. A Life Membership guarantees that you will never be suspended for non-payment of dues should your future financial situation change. It also ensures that should you no longer be able to take care of your finances, you will not be suspended for nonpayment of dues because your Scottish Rite membership is of little or no significance to the individual handling your finances. By purchasing a life members, you leave a continuing legacy to Denver Consistory.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP FEE SCHEDULE

75 years old and older—a single payment of \$1,000

62-74 years old—a single payment of \$1,500

Younger than 62—a single payment of \$2,500

2018 Dues Notices have recently been mailed by the Supreme Council. For only **\$.30/day**, \$9.16/month, \$110/year, you can maintain your membership in the Denver Consistory. One cup of coffee is more than \$.30! Isn't your Scottish Rite membership worth more to you than the price of a single cup of coffee?

When paying your dues **please consider making a tax-deductible donation to your Scottish Rite Masonic Center.** Your contributions help us maintain and improve our historic building.

KSA Fall Consistory Cleanup - ***The time has been changed!*** The cleanup will be held Nov. 4th from 9:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m. NOT 1:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m. as originally planned. Please stop by and help us put a shine on the building in preparation for the Fall Reunion.

The **Fall Reunion** is fast approaching. It will be **November 9-11, 2017.** Get your petitions turned in. We would like to have at least 25 candidates in the Fall Reunion class to celebrate our 25th Anniversary. (See flyer and Reunion schedule in this issue.) At the Friday Night Banquet, we will present 25 & 50 year Membership Awards. The Denver Consistory Choir will provide entertainment after the banquet.

November 18th will be the **Christmas Decorating Party.** All are invited to attend and help decorate the building for Christmas. It is always fun putting up the decorations and reminiscing about Christmases past, and remembering when ...

November 20th will be our Stated Meeting. We will have our annual **Veteran's Recognition Program**, and Ritual Opening and Closing by the Denver Consistory Line.

DID YOU KNOW ... Transportation can be arranged for those who need a ride to our stated meetings, the Reunion, 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. You do not need to stay home because you do not have transportation to the Consistory.

October 21st was the **El Jebel Shrine/Denver Consistory Joint Oktoberfest** held at the Denver Consistory. German beer and entertainment by the El Jebel Shrine German Band was enjoyed by everyone in attendance. Those of you who did not attend missed a great party. Having fun, sharing Brotherhood, and enjoying being with our friends is what makes it great to be a member of Denver Consistory. Thank you to **Illustrious Sir Rich Silver, 32° KCCH**, Potentate of El Jebel Shrine, for planning this joint event with Denver Consistory. Thank you to the team from El Jebel Shrine and Denver Consistory that made it happen.

November 20th Ladies Meeting - Our ladies will work on Thanksgiving cards for presentation to the Eastern Star Masonic Retirement Community. **Bobbi Paul**, wife of Brother **David Paul, 32°**, will demonstrate simple jewelry cleaning techniques.

Master Craftsman Program Study Group - There has been interest expressed in once again forming a Denver consistory Master Craftsman Program Study Group. When the Master Craftsman Program first began, a study group was formed at Denver Consistory. Over a period of time, participation dwindled and the group disbanded. If you are interested in participating in a this study group, please send an email to **Brother Bill Achbach** at wbapm32@gmail.com.

2016 VMAP Award - Denver Consistory has been recognized by the Supreme Council for successfully completing the 2016 VMAP Program. Thank you to those who worked on the program and made this recognition possible. The recognition letter was received after our June Stated Meeting. I set the letter and award aside to announce at our September meeting and overlooked it when I was preparing the agenda for the meeting. I apologize for the oversight.

COLORADO ROCKIES EXPERIENCE

Thank you to the Brothers—and their family members—who worked Colorado Rockies games during the 2017 season and earned money for the Scottish Rite Masonic center: **Dick Williams, Randy Penn, Phil Hause, Andrew Schnackenberg, and Bruce Miller**. A special “thank you” to **Brother Dick Williams** who worked 58 games!



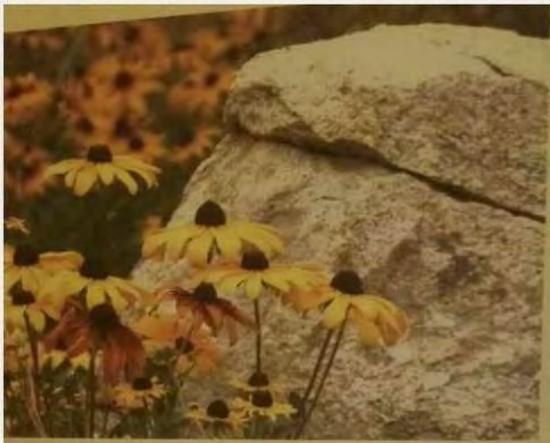
Explains the Great Masonic Secret

OKTOBERFEST 2017



**WHAT YOU
MISSED LAST
MONTH AT
THE
CONSISTORY**





AUDREY,
A
MONSTROUS
CONGRATULATIONS
on your
RETIREMENT!



51st Reunion
Fall 2017 - November 8-11, 2017

Wednesday November 8, 2017

6:30pm Children's Hospital
Candidates & Invited Guests Only
Welcome - Rite Care Presentation
Prolog to the Reunion

Thursday November 9, 2017

6:30am Registration
7:30am Welcome/Class Instruction
8:00am Exemplify 4°
8:40am Communicate 5°
8:48am Communicate 6°
8:56am Communicate 7°
9:04am Communicate 8°
9:12am Exemplify 9° & 10°
9:50am Break
10:05am Class Instruction
10:25am Exemplify 11°
10:45am Class Instruction
11:00am Communicate 12°
11:05am Exemplify 13°
11:35 am Lunch
12:35pm Exemplify 14°
1:30pm Secretary's Presentation
1:30pm Lecture for Members
1:55pm Committee Presentations/Tour
2:05pm Lecture for Members
2:25pm Break
2:35pm Exemplify 15°
3:40pm Break
3:55pm Class Instruction
4:00pm Exemplify 16°
4:45pm Adjourn

Friday November 10, 2017

8:00am Class Convenes/Instruction
8:30am Communicate 17°
8:40am Class Instruction
9:00am Exemplify 18° First & Second Section
9:35am Class instruction
9:45am Exemplify 18° Third Section
10:20am Class instruction
10:30am Knights of St. Andrew
10:40am Communicate 19°
10:48am Exemplify 20° First Section
11:10am Class Instruction
11:20am Break

11:35am Exemplify 20° Second Section
12:05pm MW Grand Master Address
12:20pm Lunch
1:05pm Prolog to 21°
1:10pm Exemplify 21°
1:45pm Communicate 22°
1:55pm Class Instruction
2:05pm Break
2:20pm Exemplify 23°
2:45pm Class Instruction
3:10pm Exemplify 24°
3:45pm Communicate 25°
3:52pm Communicate 26°
3:59pm Communicate 27°
4:07pm Communicate 28°
4:15pm Exemplify 29°
4:55pm Break
6:00pm Banquet 25 & 50 Year Awards
7:00pm Exemplify 22°
7:45pm Adjourn

Saturday November 11, 2017

8:15am Class Convenes/Instruction
8:30am Photography Committee
8:40pm El Jebel Shrine Presentation
8:50am Class Address by SGIG
Class Photos & Break
10:00am Class Instruction
10:10am Exemplify 30° 1st Apartment
10:28am Exemplify 30° 2nd Apartment
10:43am Exemplify 30° 3rd Apartment
10:58am Break
11:15am Class Instruction
11:30am Exemplify 30° 4th Apartment
11:55am Lunch
12:55am Communicate 31°
1:10pm Class Instruction
1:15pm Exemplify 32° First Section
2:03pm Class Instruction
2:13pm Break
2:30pm Exemplify 32° Second Section
3:27pm Closing Ceremony
3:45pm Adjourn





The 33° Grand Cross of the Court of Honor (GCCH, or GC) is conferred by the Supreme Council upon 33° Masons for signal services and unusual merit. This rank and designation is NOT a degree, and members who hold it are designated 33° GCCH or 33° GC. Their cap is WHITE with a band of blue velvet with a Teutonic Cross in the center of the front.

Congratulations to Illustrious Brother Jerry Fenimore, 33° GC on his newly conferred designation as a member of the Grand Cross of the Court of Honor. Well done, Brother Jerry.



The human heart knows things the mind cannot understand and feels things the eyes cannot see. - Anonymous (Smart person, that “Anonymous”)

Hold fast to your memories,
To all of the cherished moments of the past,
To the blessings and the laughter,
The joys and the celebrations,
The sorrow and the tears.

They all add up to a treasure
Of fond yesterdays
That you shared and spent together,
And they keep the one you loved
Close to you in spirit and thought.

The special moments
And memories in your life
Will never change.
They will always be in your heart,
Today, and forevermore.

- Linda E. Knight



Help Wanted



The Denver Consistory Audio-Visual team, known as “The Men In Black”, is currently looking for a few good men. NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY – WE WILL TRAIN YOU.

Sound, lights & video are heavily used in our reunions to enhance the presentations of the degree work.

Lights add drama and feel to the presentations. Lighting can set the mood, indicate the time of day, or direct the audience’s attention toward (or away from) action on the floor or stage. Lighting can also provide special effects to “wake up” a scene.

Sound provides microphone support for the actors and choirs, ensuring everyone can hear all of the important lessons being taught by the allegorical stories and lectures. Sound also provides music and sound effects critical to the storytelling.

Video provides an “electronic Trestleboard” through which the lecturers can communicate their important truths, as well as enhancements to the mythological storytelling.

The Men in Black also support the numerous rental activities by other Masonic bodies and outside groups that use the cathedral, providing technical support, lights, sound and video to meetings, weddings, concerts, funerals and performing groups in the auditorium.

All and all, we manage to keep busy.

But, we are currently in need of more help!

It takes many hands to quickly outfit an entire cast with microphones and keep those microphones in good working order, set lights, set up and take down equipment. Skilled operators are needed for both the sound and light boards, as well as computer savvy operators for sound effects and video/PowerPoint presentations.

You do not need any experience to join this crew. We can train you from scratch, or maybe you can teach us a thing or two! All it takes is an interest and some free time to give to the Consistory.

Working A-V is a rewarding experience. You can contribute to the valuable lessons being taught without having to memorize lines! Since we work “live” in the auditorium during the degrees, you get to participate in and learn from every degree being presented, enhancing your own Masonic experience as well as that of the class!

If any of this sounds interesting or rewarding to you, please contact me as soon as possible and we’ll get you started!

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Happy “Birthday” Freemasonry! - June 24, 2017 Marked the Traditional Tercentenary of Modern Freemasonry

By Benjamin F. Williams, 32° KCCH
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[Editor’s Note: This is the second part of a two-part article.
Part 1 appeared in October’s RiteWorks .]

Yet evidence of so-called speculative, or rather “gentleman’s” Masonry, is yet older still. On December 28, 1598, William Schaw, Master of Works (and General Warden of the Master Stonemasons) under King James VI of Scotland (who later became King James I of England under the Union of the Crowns in 1603) published what are now known as the “First Schaw Statutes.” the preamble of this document claims legitimacy from a gathering of all Master Masons at a convention of the Craft. These early bylaws, if you will, prove a democratic system of self-governance was in effect at that time and that business of the Lodge was not entirely committed to stonework.

In his Second Schaw Statutes, issued a year later, signed on December 28, 1599, Schaw enjoins the apprentices of the Craft to “tak tryall of the art of memorie,” perhaps, some suggest, a reference to esoteric philosophies promulgated by the likes of Giordano Bruno, who met the flames of the Inquisition on February 17, 1600. Among the charges of heresy made against Bruno were possession of certain esoteric books, a belief that the Earth turned upon its own axis and revolved around the sun, and that there were innumerable worlds surrounding uncountable stars.

It bears mentioning, perhaps, that “operative” Masons were also “speculative” Masons—at least to some degree. Our Senior Deacon says as much in the opening preamble to the stair lecture (“We work in speculative Freemasonry, but our ancient brethren wrought in both operative and speculative, they worked at the building of King Solomon’s Temple and many other sacred and Masonic edifices.”)

Sometime in the latter 17th century, or perhaps earlier, speculative Freemasons just ceased also to be Operative Freemasons. This is important to consider, because there is a misplaced perception in the modern day—some presentist misconstruction—that our “operative” forebears were some brutish peasants eking out an existence against the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune, to borrow a phrase. In those early days of human industry, however, the art of building was somewhat akin to magic and required a special understanding.

Remember, the main patron of the Craft was necessarily the Church - and the cathedrals of the high middle ages (which took generations to build) were wrought in the microcosm of the starry spheres, aligned East and West, to record the passage of the year in the calendar by directing the alignment of the Sun as it turned through the corners of the year. This was no idel practice, but a type of mastery of time and space and that special knowledge that Masons tendered even when illiterate. Just as the Tabernacle was erected for the indwelling of Deity, the appearance of the Shekinah above the Mercy Seat of the ark, so were these stone representations of the universe symbolic residences for the Divine intelligences and the communion with Deity.

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Therefore, allusions to the scientific and mysterious underpinnings of the Craft, as well as her well-appointed symbolism, readily trace back to the high middle ages. Was such medieval Masonry the Freemasonry with which we are familiar today? Likely no. But the symbolic motifs, the syncretized philosophies, the adoption of the "Mysteries," if you will, with which Speculative Freemasons became undoubtedly familiar, are yet much older still.

Perhaps the most famous document of this time period with material familiar to Masons (if not, in fact, indicative of Masons *per se*) is the Regius Manuscript of the latter 14th Century (somewhere between 1350 and 1450, probably c. 1390). For those of you unfamiliar with this document, it records a poem regarding King Athelstan, a holy king who, by use of Euclid's Art (geometry) had joined England into a land of justice and probity. Geometry, for them, was not just a science of shape but rather a system of proofs for determining a Divine order. But there is nothing specifically Masonic outside the assemblage of a moral philosophy - perhaps universal - in the Brotherhood of Man.

Perhaps a better example can be found about a century earlier than this, c. 1260. Etienne Bolieu, the Provost of the Corporations of Paris, published under direction of King Louis the IX, "The Code of the Usages and Customs of the Masons, the Stone Masons, the Plasterers, and the Mortarers," being a compilation of the corporate ordinances in use in medieval Paris at that time. Among other entries of interest to the student of modern Freemasonry is Title 48, which reads:

"Anyone may be a Mason at Paris, provided that he understands the mystery, and That he works according to the ancient usages and customs of the mystery ... "

The most important word in that sentences is, of course, "Anyone." Anyone may be a Mason at Paris, if he demonstrates merit enough to be admitted to the labors of the Craft.

Unfortunately, I must dismiss as hearsay, although curious, a personal anecdote shared with me by a Past General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons International, and his lovely wife, that there is in possession of the 11th Earl of Elgin, Lord Bruce, in Scotland, a Charter for a royal Arch Lodge dating to the mid-15th Century.

Regardless of how far you wish to look back, the date of June 24, 1717, whether or not the actual "founding" of modern Craft Masonry as we know it, nonetheless remains a date of significance for all modern Brethren of the Craft. Like everything we Masons promulgate, this 1717 date is largely symbolic. But, we all know the power of symbols.

So, each Saint John the Baptist's Day, we tip our hats to those men of the Enlightenment who passed on this system of morality into the new age - an age they very much established, an age where Freemasonry remains as relevant and as necessary as ever.



FUN FACTS ABOUT NOVEMBER

In Anglo-Saxon times, November was known as “Blotmonað” (blood month or sacrifice month). Although the word “November” dates back to Old English times, the first known use of “Novemberish” was by Robert Burns in 1793.

The TOPAZ is one of the birthstones for November. Topaz is found in many colors, but it is the orange-yellow topaz that is the traditional birthstone for November. Citrine is also a November birthstone. Citrine is actually a quartz crystal and is yellow to orange in color. It is often mistaken for the orange-yellow topaz which is the more expensive of the two stones. The symbolic meaning of the birthstone is “FIDELITY.”

The flower for the month of November is the chrysanthemum. The word comes from the Greek words “chrys” meaning Golden (the original color of the flower) and “anthemum” meaning Flower. The symbolism of the chrysanthemum are OPTIMISM and JOY.

November is:

Sweet Potato Awareness Month
 Stuffing Month
 Georgia Pecan Month
 Fun with Fondue Month
 Raisin Bread Month
 Peanut Butter Lover’s Month

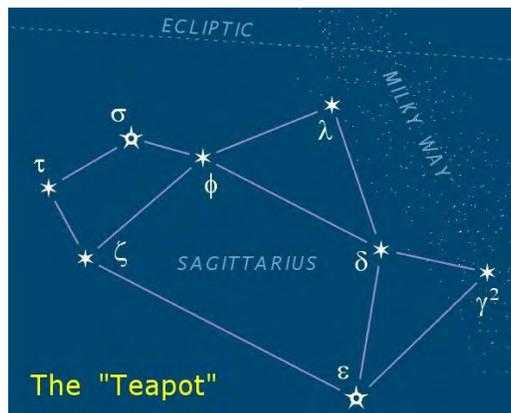
American Diabetes Month
 Lung Cancer Awareness Month
 NO SHAVE NOVEMBER (need an excuse?)
 Model Railroad Month
 Homeless Youth Awareness Month
 Adoption Awareness Month

(Is it MY imagination, or is NOVEMBER really just a big FOOD month?)



Scorpio

Oct 23 - Nov 21



Sagittarius

Nov 22 - Dec 21



Topaz



Citrine



Chrysanthemum



The world is too complex today, too much is going on, too many crimes, too much violence, too much excitement. Try as you will, you get behind in the race in spite of yourself. It is an incessant strain to keep pace, and still you lose ground. Science empties its discoveries on you so fast that you stagger beneath them in hopeless bewilderment. The political world is news seen so rapidly you're out of breath trying to keep current with who's in and who's out. Everything is high pressure. Human nature can't endure much more.— **Atlantic Journal Editorial dated ... JUNE 16, 1833**

A DAY in the Life of American Children/Teens

3 will die from child abuse

9 are murdered

13 die from gun violence

27 die in poverty

110 teens attempt suicide-8 will succeed

202 are arrested for drug offenses

340 are arrested for drinking/driving drunk

1115 have abortions

1340 give birth

40 under 18 give birth to their THIRD child!

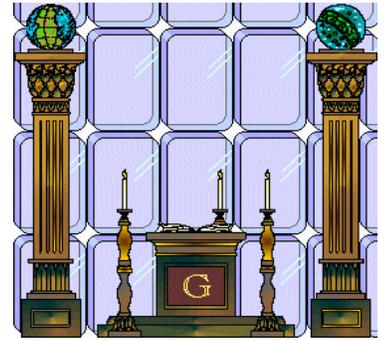
2255 drop out of school

100,000 are homeless



THE PRELATE'S PULPIT

Rev. Jim Harris, 33°



In Proverbs 18:10 we read, “The name of the Lord is a strong tower the righteous run into and are safe.” The writer’s point is that God’s name, which stands for His character, person, and everything that He is, provides true protection for His people.”

There are physical places that provide safety in moments of a storm. A sturdy roof overhead gives protection in the midst of a storm. A hospital offers medical care and a home gives us protection from the physical elements. A home also gives us a place to come and relax, to rest, and to take care of ourselves.

A Masonic Lodge is also a place where we can come and should feel safe. We are among our Brothers, in a place for us to enjoy a meal, a meeting, to learn, to worship, and even to grow. It is a place where we know that people will treat us nicely, encourage us, never embarrass us, respect us, and be nice to us.

In the center of the lodge room (our Cathedral Room) is an altar. Upon that altar are the Three Great Lights of Masonry: The Volume of the Sacred Law (Holy Bible for us), the Square, and the Compasses. Three candles are placed around it. It is a place where we kneel to pray and take our obligations. It symbolizes the presence of the Holy One.

My Brothers, let us remember that we Masons are to live by our vows, values, and the teachings of our Craft. Masons do not use those “four letter words,” do not take the name of the Lord in vain, and do not speak badly of each other.

We live the Masonic way inside AND outside the Lodge. How will people remember you? How will people view you? And, are you a good Mason - and representative of the Craft to the outside world?

PEACE! Remember, be positive and be a light and example to those around you.

What **ARE** You
Thankful
for?





DENVER CONSISTORY KNIGHTS OF SAINT ANDREW

Timothy N. Lambert, 32° KCCH
Venerable Master 2017-2018



Brethren, as the Venerable Master of the Knights of Saint Andrew for the Denver Consistory, I am overwhelmed by the Honor bestowed upon me and two of my brother Knights: Past Venerable Master Larry Tygart and Past Secretary Joe Cox, for being selected to receive the Knight Commander of the Court of Honor (Red Hat). And, to all the other newly selected KCCH and 33° Inspectors General Honorary, my heart-felt congratulations. As I'm sure all these Brothers will agree, it was quite a surprise. As a recipient of this honor, I realize this will be my last year in office for the Knights, and therefore have a great incentive to make this year's Burns Dinner a smashing success. It will be hard enough to equal the festivities from the past couple of years, much less out-do them. I'm shooting for a "slightly" better event, if that's even possible.

I've recruited a larger pipe band, and in honor of our Personal Representative to the SGIG—Doc Powell—the band is actually an IRISH band. Sorry to the purely Scottish fans in the room, but I think you will thoroughly enjoy them. They have quickly become one of Colorado's top competitive bagpipe bands. Several members are Masons and are excited to be performing at our annual celebration. I'm also told our resident Scot, GORDON BELL, will again regale us with his glorious "Address to the Haggis," and our own Scottish Rite Pipemajor Alex McIntosh, 33° will pipe in the Haggis.

Don't miss the Scotch Tasting College. It is very popular and you'll likely need to reserve a spot early, so get on the phone with the consistory office and get your reservations for both the Whisky College and the Burns Dinner on the books. See you on that special Saturday evening, January 20, 2018. More details will follow.

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