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Denver Consistory Marketplace

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

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Membership Statistics

October 2019: 1944

October 2020: 1674

Net: **270 LOSS**

Front Door Security System

A security system has been installed on the sliding door entrance to the building. The door is no longer left unlocked during business hours allowing anyone to enter the building unannounced and take the elevator to the third floor offices. The system was installed to provide much-needed protection for the office staff.

To gain admission, a visitor must push the intercom button on the outside of the door and request to be admitted. Denver Consistory members may be admitted by scanning their dues card in the card reader and are not required to push the intercom button and request admission.

HOWEVER ...

Your dues card **MUST** be scanned into the system before it will work as your key card. Come to the office and see Illustrious Brother Tom Thompson to get your dues card scanned.

PLANNING CALENDAR - **Subject to Change**

October

Fri, Oct 2	11:30 a.m. Consistory Lunch (Fried Chicken)
Mon, Oct 5	7:00 p.m. Virtual KSA Meeting
Fri, Oct 9	11:30 a.m. Consistory Lunch (Oriental Buffet)
Fri, Oct 16	11:30 a.m. Consistory Lunch (Fried Chicken)
Mon, Oct 19	6:00 p.m. Officers Meeting - Red Room 7:00 p.m. Stated Meeting— VIRTUAL MEETING (Feast of Tishri) - W.B. Van Troi Perozo, 32° Orations by Centennial Lodge of Perfection Orator, Rocky Mountain Chapter of Rose Croix Orator, and Minister of State of Denver Consistory
Tue, Oct 20	7:00 p.m. Virtual Master Craftsman Session
Fri, Oct 23	11:30 a.m. Consistory Lunch (Build Your Own Sandwich)
Fri, Oct 30	11:30 a.m. Consistory Lunch (Lasagna)

November

Mon, Nov 2	7:00 p.m. Virtual KSA Meeting
Fri, Nov 6	11:30 a.m. Consistory Lunch (Fried Chicken)
Sat, Nov 7	CANCELLED KSA Fall Cleanup
Fri, Nov 13	11:30 a.m. Consistory Lunch
Mon, Nov 16	6:00 p.m. Officers meeting - Red Room 7:00 p.m. Stated Meeting— VIRTUAL MEETING Entertainment: Veterans Recognition Program
Tue, Nov 17	7:00 p.m. Virtual Master Craftsman Session
Thu/Fri, Nov 26 & 27	CONSISTORY CLOSED for Thanksgiving Holiday
Sat, Nov 28	CANCELLED Consistory Decorating Party ALL members and wives are invited.

December

Fri, Dec 4	11:30 a.m. Consistory Lunch (Fried Chicken)
Sat, Dec 5	CANCELLED SR Foundation & Consistory Children's Christmas Party
Mon, Dec 7	7:00 p.m. KSA meeting
Fri, Dec 11	11:30 a.m. Consistory Lunch
Fri, Dec 18	11:30 a.m. Consistory Lunch (Fried Chicken)
Mon, Dec 21	6:00 p.m. Officers Meeting - Red Room 7:00 p.m. Stated Meeting - VIRTUAL MEETING Entertainment and Election of Officers
Tue, Dec 22	7:00 p.m. Virtual Master Craftsman Session
Fri, Dec 25	Consistory CLOSED for Christmas Holiday

EDITOR'S NESTLEBOARD



BY: **BILL HICKEY, 33°**
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Here we are, 3/4 of the way through the year, and 6 months of that time has been devoted to “safe at home” or “safer at home” without much end in sight. We continue to see examples of pretty inconsistent behavior especially when it comes to wearing masks and maintaining a respectful distance (I won’t call it “social distance” because it’s definitely NOT “social” when you’re that far apart) in order to limit the virus’ impact on our community and organizations. Students at CU Boulder ignored all the rules, recommendations, and common sense when they returned—partied hardy, and there was a huge spike in cases resulting in some pretty drastic limitations on their movements and activities until they can stabilize the situation on campus. They don’t think it’s “fair” but that shows you just how serious this thing called “life” really is. It’s constantly mutating and adapting to the environment, and as a result, scientists and medical professionals find themselves in a situation where they must adapt and change quickly—which results in them changing their assessments and recommendations all the time. That’s the nature of science folks— you learn from your mistakes and continue to adapt going forward. If you can’t understand that, then you likely don’t understand how serious something like this really is, how science really works, and you are what I’ll politely call an “ostrich.” Just remember, the ostrich with its head in the sand will not see the lion approaching for lunch. The predator will not change its behavior just because the prey is ignorant.

NO ONE likes what is happening, but as we learn more and more about COVID and its related viruses, we are finding out that life—as we KNEW it—has probably changed pretty much forever now. So, you’d better get used to those changes, because they’re not going away just because you don’t like them.

Many of our Brothers are part of what is called the “high risk” population that is most likely susceptible to the more virulent effects of the virus. They are, rightly so, probably avoiding public gatherings, dining out, and other social activities we all wish could return sooner rather than later. These are things they MUST do to remain as healthy as possible.

So, if you refuse to wear a mask in public, (or, to wear it properly) at least have the courtesy to respect those who are wearing a mask, AND ... more importantly, if you are not feeling well, just STAY HOME. It’s not that we don’t like you, we just don’t want to SHARE what you have. More important as we enter FLU season as well.



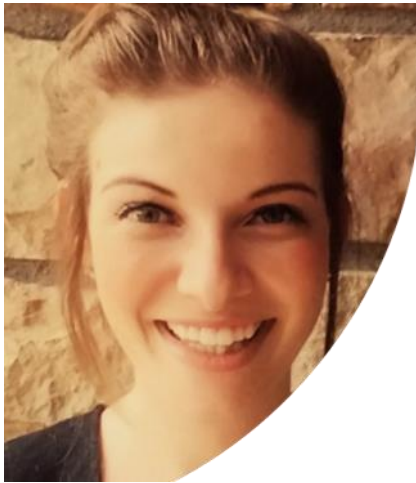
From the Secretary's Desk

[Matt Raia, 33°](#)



October, 2020

Scottish Rite Foundation Scholarships. During the September 21st Virtual Stated meeting, six graduate students were recognized as the 2020 recipients of the \$5,000 Dwight A. Hamilton Scottish Rite Foundation of Colorado Graduate Scholarship in Speech-Language Pathology.



Amanda Joyce Barkley - is a graduate student in the MA-SLP program at the University of Colorado, Boulder. She received her undergraduate degree in Speech Language Hearing Sciences (SLHS) with minors in Theater and in Linguistics from CU Boulder.



Jennifer Bjoin - is a second year graduate student studying Speech-Language Pathology at the University of Colorado, Boulder. She attended Drake University where she graduated Summa Cum Laude with departmental honors.



Celia Horowitz - is a second year Speech-Language Pathology graduate student at the University of Colorado, Boulder. Celia is originally from Brooklyn, NY and attended Tulane University, receiving a B.S. in Psychology.



Jessica O'Brian - is a second year graduate student in Speech-Language Pathology at the University of Northern Colorado. Currently, Jessie is the coordinator for the Greeley Treasure Chest Program.

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Laura Petty - is from Fort Collins, Colorado. She received a B.S. in Communication Sciences and Disorders and Psychology from Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois and is now a second year Speech-Language Pathology graduate student at the University of Colorado, Boulder.

Blair Whiteside - is a second year graduate student in Speech-Language Pathology at the University of Northern Colorado.

The September 21st meeting was live-streamed on ZOOM. Thank you to **Illustrious Brother Don Marshall, 33°** and the **“Men in Black”** for their work in making it possible for the meeting to be live-streamed. We plan to live-stream our stated meetings even after the COVID-19 restrictions have been lifted and there is no longer a restriction on the number of people who can meet indoors. By live-streaming our meetings, it enables our members who live out-of-state, are elderly, or cannot drive at night, and those who are not within convenient driving distance of the Consistory to participate in the meetings.

The **Fall Reunion has been CANCELLED due to COVID-19 restrictions.** Director General **Phil Hause, 32° KCCH** and Assistant Director General **Bobby Juchem, 33°** are developing a program of education and instruction for our candidates, entitled *“A Journey To The Scottish Rite.”* This program is designed to keep the candidates engaged and excited about becoming 32° Scottish Rite Masons. The program will be presented on-line and will educate the candidates on the lessons and teachings of the degrees. The course of instruction will conclude just prior to the Spring Reunion, resulting in each candidate having an understanding of the lessons of the degrees they will see exemplified during the Reunion.

Spring Reunion - The Spring Reunion will be May 12, 13, 14, 15, 2021. May 12th will be the tour of the Rite Care facility at Children’s Hospital, dinner, and the prologue to the Reunion. The candidates, their spouse, and the candidate’s first-line-signer and spouse are invited to attend. The degrees to be exemplified in the Spring Reunion will be the ones which have normally been exemplified in the Spring Reunion.

Get those petitions in NOW, don’t wait. The individuals who have already petitioned will be invited to participate in *“A Journey to the Scottish Rite.”*

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Traditional January Burns Supper CANCELLED - the annual Burns Supper scheduled for January 30, 2021 has been cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions. If large indoor gatherings will be allowed in the summer of 2021, the Knights of Saint Andrew plan to hold a Scottish-themed supper during the summer as a replacement for the Burns Supper.

2021 Dues Notices have been mailed by the Supreme Council. Please pay your 2021 dues promptly and not set aside the dues notice and forget about it and become delinquent. \$110 is a real bargain for membership in Denver Consistory. Just \$0.30 per day. WOW! That's less than a cup of coffee. Please do your part to help sustain the operation of Denver Consistory by promptly paying your dues.

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

A Monthly dues payment program is available. Are you tired of paying dues at the end of the year to all of the Masonic bodies where you are a member? You may pay your annual Denver Consistory dues in eleven easy monthly payments rather than in one lump sum, eliminating one more year-end bill to pay. By authorizing an automatic credit card payment each month, at the end of eleven months your dues for the ensuing year will be paid. Contact the office to set up a payment plan.

Automatic Dues Renewal Program - Supreme Council has implemented an auto-renewal program to pay annual dues. This is a completely voluntary program that gives our Members the option to have their dues automatically deducted using a credit or debit card through the online Membership Portal. The automatic dues payment will occur in AUGUST annually for those who sign up for the program, and the payment will be applied to the following dues year. Members who sign up for the program will receive an email reminder a few days prior to the charge to their card. This program will give Members the option to avoid the end-of-the-year Masonic dues "crunch" as well as help ensure Members are always in good standing.

Life Memberships are an ideal way to avoid paying future dues increases. A Life Membership guarantees that you will never be suspended for nonpayment 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 non-payment of dues because your Scottish Rite Membership is of no significance to the individual handling your finances. By purchasing a Life Membership, you leave a continuing legacy to Denver Consistory after your death.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP FEE STRUCTURE:

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

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

Younger than 62 years old - a single payment of \$2,500

Extended payment terms may be arranged. Contact the office for details.



A YEAR OF CHANGE

By Larry Tygart, 32° KCCH

Senior Warden, Centennial Lodge
of Perfection



The past year presented a wide variety of change, and according to interpretation, enlightenment. The change is obvious and vast. From the economic boon that the new year ushered in to the complete financial downfall for so many. A year that began with record-breaking high employment numbers fell to the lowest not seen since the Great Depression. From regular interpersonal relationships to solely electronic relationships. I do not know if this is a bump in the road for those in the electronic social media arena or not. But, for those of us who appreciate and look forward to the pressing of the flesh (handshakes for those not of my generation) and being able to look someone in the eyes, it was akin to solitary confinement (and actually was for a time). The manner we have for so long gathered and communicated has been thoroughly put to the test by our fragility to the COVID-19 virus.

All these things converged and a great riptide of social events ensued. Undercurrents that have been below the surface, that society had for so long navigated around, became unavoidable and none of us were immune to it. All of the stars aligned to set in motion historical events in our country.

We found that extremists, in all levels of society, took this opportunity to take advantage of millions of people made idle by the pandemic. The fear of illness, financial ruin, combined with long-suppressed angers gave opportunity for conversations of change ... and, unfortunately, a platform for violence and subversion.

During this time, I was party to a conversation and situation that I believed I was prepared for and knowledgeable enough to discuss. I was subjected to terminology and opinions that, quite frankly, I was ill-prepared to acknowledge, much less come to terms with. I was told that “folks like me,” have been painted (by some) to be racists and bigots by pure virtue of the circumstances in which I was born. That, by that decision of the Grand Architect, I am “privileged” and do not and have not known hardship, and have had my station in life referenced as an “entitlement.” Let’s not be swayed by the fact that my wife and I spent many years working multiple jobs, 12 to 16 hours a day, 7 days a week. This was viewed, not as a struggle to better our lives, but an entitlement afforded me by the oppressors of those “not like me.”

This led into a myriad of political minefields that I was not, and still am not, prepared to discuss or understand. I see myself as an accepting and caring individual of all peoples. If there are Brothers within the Fraternity that could confirm these purported wide brush strokes, I invite them to bring me into the light and change my ignorance to these issues. This

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group has attached the acronym “BIPOC” to themselves, and others I am sure, for the education and enlightenment of “folks like me.” [Editor note: for those who don’t know—and I did not—BIPOC = Black, Indigenous, and People Of Color]

So, this has brought me to this point. I will continue to draw upon my faith, my relationship with my wife, and the many lectures provided to me during my journey towards light. Remembering the context of the mob mentality and brutality of the despots, I am reminded of Tennyson:

THE CHARGE OF THE LIGHT BRIGADE

By Alfred, Lord Tennyson

Half a league, half a league,
Half a league onward,
All in the valley of Death
Rode the six hundred.
“Forward, the Light Brigade!
Charge for the guns!” he said.
Into the valley of Death
Rode the six hundred

“Forward, the Light Brigade!”
Was there a man dismayed?
Not though the soldier knew
Someone had blundered.
Theirs not to make reply,
Theirs not to reason why,
Theirs but to do and die.
Into the valley of Death
Rode the six hundred

Cannon to right of them,
Cannon to left of them,
Cannon in front of them
Volleyed and thundered;
Stormed at with shot and shell,
Boldly they rode and well,
Into the Jaws of Death,
Into the mouth of hell
Rode the six hundred.

Flashed all their sabres bare,
Flashed as they turned in air
Sabring the gunners there,
Charging an army, while
All the world wondered.
Plunged in the battery-smoke
Right through the line they broke;
Cossack and Russian
Reeled from the sabre stroke
Shattered and sundered.
Then they rode back, but not
Not the six hundred.

Cannon to right of them,
Cannon to left of them,
Cannon behind them
Volleyed and thundered;
Stormed at with shot and shell
While horse and hero fell.
They that had fought so well
Came through the jaws of Death,
Back from the mouth of hell,
All that was left of them,
Left of six hundred.

When can their glory fade?
O the wild charge they made!
All the world wondered.
Honour the charge they made!
Honour the Light Brigade,
Noble six hundred.

It's all about honor and doing things that take courage, and that all people make mistakes. There will always be casualties, in all decisions, whether intentional or collateral. The casualties may be physical, emotional, financial, and yes ... even historical. This is certainly a challenging time for America. Our country needs the good men of this Freaternity, to demonstrate what it stands for and inculcates for ALL of humanity, not just a select few, or a specific group. Our time is but an instant here in this life. I intend to spend that instant continuing my work towards making a difference in this world that I am blessed to live.

H.I.S.

WBro. Larry Tygart, 32° KCCH



Master Craftsman Virtual Sessions Continue to Evolve!

By: Bill Achbach, 32°



With our latest Zoom session on September 22, Denver Consistory has taken another step forward with our Virtual Master Craftsman program.

During the latest session, attendees began using Zoom's "Breakout Rooms" function to join with Brethren enrolled in the same Master Craftsman course. In taking this step, the program is moving toward more independent interaction among participants and a more customized environment for discussion of course topics and content. This most recent session was a learning experience, for both hosts and attendees, providing needed information for making future sessions run more smoothly. Although we are not entirely "there" yet, we are on the way to placing more control of the sessions in the hands of participants.

The overall purpose of Virtual Master Craftsman is to:

- √ Promote and assist Brethren with Master Craftsman enrollment and participation,
- √ Provide needed information and resources for enrollees,
- √ Offer opportunities for discussion of course topics and questions,
- √ Assist with problems and questions related to enrollment, course materials, etc., and
- √ Establish Master Craftsman as an integral part of Denver Consistory's education program.

The progress we have made, since the first Zoom session in July, does not mean that we are leaving behind a commitment to bring in new participants and to grow the project. New participants in the monthly Zoom sessions are always welcome, and information about Master Craftsman is "only a click away!" If you would like to register for the monthly sessions, follow this link, provide a little basic information, and receive log-in info for the sessions:

<https://denverconsistory.us9.list-manage.com/track/click?u=1e249a82561f2f957a6a38cca&id=fcbab81195&e=d4d9186693>

To receive any available information or have questions answered via email, contact Master Craftsman Coordinator Bill Achbach at wbapm32@gmail.com. I can provide:

- √ Program or course general information,
- √ Course syllabi,
- √ Answers about required course & text materials,
- √ Enrollment in our "Weekly Reminder" service, to help keep your studies on track,
- √ Information about taking Master Craftsman online,
- √ Using Master Craftsman I (Symbolic Lodge) in your Blue Lodge's education program,
- √ More...

"Keep on Crafting," Brethren!



EDUCATION PROGRAM: UNITED GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND - SOLOMON

<https://solomon.ugle.org.uk/>

1. "Starting Your Journey in Freemasonry" is a module available from the Front Page (before you login) and is "Guest Access." Guest Access means that users do not need an account to view this information. This module is intended for people who have shown an interest in joining Freemasonry and may want more information.

<https://solomon.ugle.org.uk/course/view.php?id=116/>

2. Likewise, "Getting Started with Solomon" is guest Access and available from the Front page. This module is intended for those who may not be able to access Solomon and gives hints and advice on how to set up an account and how to use it.

<https://solomon.ugle.org.uk/course/view.php?id=108>

3. We have added lots of new material to "Seek and Learn: first Degree." This includes materials in HTML 5.0 which makes it more interactive. These include quizzes and information about the degree.

<https://solomon.ugle.org.uk/course/view.php?id=79>

4. We have also introduced a new module called "Box Sets." these allow you to download different sets of related material without having to do so individually. For example, you can download all the sound files and listen to them at your own convenience.

<https://solomon.ugle.org.uk/course/view.php?id=122>

5. For modules that are NOT Guest Access, you will need to enroll. Don't forget to scroll down to the blue "Enrol me" button, as some people miss this essential step. The reason you need to enroll on modules is that Solomon is a system and not a website. Modularising the content means that a Brother will not accidentally discover information that will spoil a ceremony which may come later.

6. Finally, if you need technical assistance, email: help.solomon@ugle.org.uk

[American Brothers: Please note, British spelling sometimes differs substantially from ours.]

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



Illustrious Brother Bill Hickey, 33°

By: Danny Tomlinson, 32° KCCH
1st Lieutenant Commander,
Colorado Council of Kadosh



All of us that have spent any time at all at the Denver Consistory know Illustrious Brother Bill Hickey, 33°. Bill is there from early in the morning until late at night during each of our Reunions (you DO remember what a Reunion is—right?), he's in the Cathedral Room helping with sound checks before our stated meetings, he's there nearly every Friday for the lunches. Bill is one of those Brothers that is always there. And the best part—he's friendly, outgoing, and always has a minute or two to visit with the Brothers. Bill has a white goatee (don't all of the handsome Brothers have a white goatee?) and usually has a shirt that identifies him as a proud veteran of the United States Navy.

Brother Bill was born in Dallas, Texas and has an older sister, Dianne, (8 years his senior) that lives in Bolivar, Missouri. His younger sister Anne passed several years ago. Bill's father was a Mason and an engraver and manufacturing jeweler that learned his trade during the Great Depression. He was a true craftsman and made his own Masonic jewelry. He was a member of Bright Hope Lodge #557 in Fountain City, Tennessee, a suburb of Knoxville. He was also a Knight Templar in Coeur de Lion Commandery #9 also in Knoxville, and a member of the Dallas Texas Hella Shrine. Bill's mother was an LPN before the children were born and later was a full-time homemaker. When Bill was a young teenager, his dad suggested he should join a local DeMolay Chapter, but young Bill decided that he wasn't a joiner then, even though his first high school girlfriend was the Worthy Advisor of her local Rainbow Girls Assembly.

Although Bill was born in Dallas, the family moved several times during his youth, and he actually grew up in Tulsa, Oklahoma after living in Springfield, Illinois; Lexington, Kentucky, and Tampa, Florida. Bill and his late wife Carol have two daughters. The older, Jo, lives in Montana and is a pharmacist. Bill's younger daughter Jamie worked as an OB/GYN medical assistant and is now a full-time homemaker with two children. She and her husband Adam Lanning, who works for the City of Golden, have a daughter Payton (8 years old—who was named before we knew the Broncos were getting Peyton Manning) and a son Owen (5 years old). If you have attended one of our Robert Burns Dinners at the Consistory, you will remember seeing proud grandpa Bill with his two grandkids in their kilts and eating haggis.

Bill's late wife Carol Campbell Hickey was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis in 1985, while he was still stationed in the Washington, DC area. Following Bill's retirement from the navy in 1989, they moved the family to Boulder, Colorado in hopes that the milder weather (compared to DC) would help her situation. MS is a horrible disease, as many of you know from personal experience. There is no cure for MS and the cause is not known. Carol passed in 2003 from complications caused by her MS. As you might imagine, Bill kind of "slows down" and gets a little misty-eyed when he speaks of his lasting love for Carol and how much he misses her.

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When Bill was preparing to retire from the Navy, he and Carol talked about where they should live next. At the time, they had been living in Bowie, Maryland for about 10 years—just outside Washington, D.C. (Bill was what is commonly called a “DC Warrior” - moving around to various commands because of his specialty background and degree credentials. Carol said “any place WEST of the Mississippi River” would be fine. Bill pulled out a map of the United States, closed his eyes and put his finger down—on Boulder, Colorado. So, they moved there—why not? Bill went to work for Ball Aerospace in Boulder for about 4½ years designing classified payloads for small smart spacecraft. When that business dried up at Ball, he began working as a contractor at the Aerospace Data Facility on (then) Buckley Air National Guard Base. After about sixteen years at Buckley or his company office nearby, Bill retired again, this time for good.

During World War II, Bill’s dad worked at the Naval Observatory in Washington, D.C. repairing telescopes, periscopes, binoculars, and other military optical equipment. The Navy Commander that his dad worked for during the war impressed his dad so much that he encouraged Bill to apply for admission to the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland. Bill did apply and was appointed by then U. S. Senator Mike Monroney. Bill was sworn in as a navy Midshipman in June 1965, as a member of the Class of 1969. He went through “Plebe Summer,” arguably the toughest part of the Academy experience because of the instant and total immersion into military life. As the summer progressed, Bill realized that a kid from Oklahoma probably never saw much seawater, and his main desire was to study chemistry, and in those days not only was the Academy male-only, but they only offered one degree: a Bachelor of Science in Marine Engineering. So, he resigned at the end of Plebe Summer and returned to Tulsa.

Bill enrolled in the University of Tulsa where he met Carol—in a chemistry class! They were married while both were still in college. When he resigned from Annapolis, he “owed” the Navy six years of service, either on active duty or as a reservist. Many of us will remember our similar commitments. Bill joined a local reserve unit and began drilling as a radioman because he knew Morse code. The reserves sent Bill to San Diego for their two weeks of “boot camp” between semesters at TU (no “credit” for Plebe summer was given). While he was attending TU, Bill took an evening class in Differential Equations and a classmate friend was a Lieutenant in the Naval Security Group Reserve unit (he was the Commanding Officer). Bill tried to join that group, but had already been accepted for the Reserve Officer Candidate (ROC) Program, which meant he had to accept sea duty on commissioning (and the Naval Security Group was predominantly a specialized shore component of the Navy in those days). As it turns out, construction at OCS in Newport meant the 500 ROC students couldn’t be housed there for their first half of OCS (the ROC program split OCS into two summer sessions—the first between the junior and senior year, and the second after graduation). Bill received his commission as an Ensign in the U. S. Navy Reserves in October 1969—a month after the author of this spotlight was commissioned. 😊

After his commissioning, Bill was assigned to the USS Rankin (LKA-103), an amphibious cargo ship as the Electronics Officer. Following two years of sea duty, he was assigned to Newport, Rhode Island as the OIC (Officer-in-Charge) of the Communications Security Detachment at the Naval Communication Station. While at

Newport, he applied to become a cryptologist and was accepted on his first attempt. Shortly after that change of professional designator, he applied to augment into the regular navy and was subsequently sent to the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California for an MSEE degree. Following graduation in June 1976, Bill was assigned to the Naval Security Group Activity, Edzell, Scotland, as the Electronics Officer in charge of a high-frequency direction-finding array and 120 enlisted maintenance technicians. There were 22 officers, about 600 enlisted, and about 25 civilian contractors at the station, located on the east coast of Scotland about halfway between Aberdeen and Edinburgh. Bill and Carol, herself a true Scot and a member of the Campbell Clan, were happy to be in Scotland. However ... it turns out that Edzell is in the very heart of the McDonald Clan territory! (Not good for the Campbells) Oh well.

Bill and Carol lived in Scotland for three years to the day, and their oldest daughter Jo was born there 6 months before he was transferred back to the Washington, D.C. area. While in Scotland, Bill also began his Masonic journey. Bill had five Chief Petty Officers and one Master Chief Petty Officer that worked for him in Edzell. They would occasionally discuss going to Lodge or something similar and finally Bill asked them what the deal was and “how do you become a Mason?” He joined Lodge North Esk Marinus #1676 in Fettercairn (since closed with the base closure in the late 1990’s—which merged with St. Mark #1313). Being a visiting military member, he was given dispensation (normally a mandatory one year wait after becoming a Master Mason) to join the Royal Arch Chapter, Cryptic Council, and Royal Ark Mariner Lodge of Noah #7 which met in Lodge St. Ninian’s No. 66 in Brechin, Scotland. (St. Ninian’s Lodge was founded in 1714—but formally chartered by the Grand Lodge in 1756.) Visit the Lodge’s website for an interesting glimpse into Scottish Masonry, especially the Hairy Book). Brother Bill is a Life Member of all his Scottish Masonic bodies, an Honorary Member of Paul Revere Lodge #130 in Westminster, Colorado, and a Charter Life Member of Montana’s Mullan Pass Historic Lodge #1862, as well as a Life Member of the Denver Consistory.

Bill and Carol’s daughter Jamie became involved in Job’s Daughters as a teen and Bill naturally became involved also with the Job’s Daughters of Colorado. Daughter Jamie served as Honored Queen of Bethel #37 and was a Champion Ritualist for the part of the Second Messenger in Job’s Daughters. Bill was asked to become the Grand Chaplain of the Colorado Job’s Daughters Grand Line and later was the Associate Grand Guardian in 2005-2006.

It was during that time that Bill met Brother Randy Trullinger, 32^o KCCH, who was then the Associate Bethel Guardian of Bethel #37 in Eastlake, Colorado. In 2003, Brother Randy asked Bill to join the Denver Consistory. Brother Bill became a part of the cast of the 18th Degree, and later the 29th Degree. Bill admits that he has difficulty memorizing ritual or speaking parts, but reluctantly took a part in the 18th degree that “would only be two lines” as Randy told him. It turns out that the part was actually a two-page part and Bill was terrified. He simply couldn’t memorize it and perform adequately. But ... Illustrious Brother Jim Berardino, 33^o and Past Master of Mosaic Lodge #184 came to the rescue. Brother Jim is a Clinical Hypnotherapist and was able to help Bill memorize his part. A Mason helping his Brother!

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Sometime after joining the Consistory and later being coroneted a 33^o Scottish Rite Mason, Bill volunteered to help Ill. Brother Don Marshall with the A/V crew and Bill has been a part of that team since.

Bill joined the Denver-Fitzsimons Chapter #37 of the National Sojourners in January 2001. National Sojourners is an organization of Master Masons who are either on active duty or veterans of the United States Uniformed Services. He is currently the Secretary of the chapter, the National Webmaster, National IT Committee Chair, and Area Representative for Colorado, Montana, Utah, and Wyoming.

The most influential Masons in Bill's Masonic labors are, as you might expect, fellow Navy Veterans. They include:

- Master Chief Petty Officer George Thompson. Bill asked MCPO Thompson "how do I join the Masons?" Bill subsequently was initiated an Entered Apprentice on a Thursday night and on Friday morning, Master Chief Thompson (who was the Worshipful Senior Warden the night before) asked Bill his thoughts on the initiation and made plans for the two of them to visit a nearby Lodge the following Tuesday, giving Bill an opportunity to watch an initiation there, just a few days after his own initiation.
- Chief Warrant Officer Jim Hitchcock. CWO4 Hitchcock was the Right Worshipful Master of the Lodge for all three of Bills degrees.
- Petty Officer 1st Class Jim Epling. PO1 Epling was a fellow candidate with Bill as both were initiated, passed, and raised from the EA degree and continued through to the KT and KM degrees.
- Brother Randy Trullinger, 32^o KCCH, and Past Master of Arvada #141. Brother Randy encouraged Bill's involvement with the Job's Daughters Bethel as his daughter Jamie became actively involved. Randy was also Bill's first-line signer on his petition to join the Scottish Rite.

Bill's advice to all Masons: For the newly-made Master Mason—in your enthusiasm and exuberance for Masonry, resist the temptation to join every concordant body as soon as possible. Wait a year or so, then pick one or two or maybe three that you enjoy and can be an active contributor with. Don't forget, you have a family that will be with you only a few years—Masonry will be there when your children are grown and gone. For the more "mature" Brothers, remember we are the past and present of Masonry, not its future. The future belongs to the next generation. So, it is our job to mentor the newly made Masons and actively plan and advocate for the generational turnover that is essential to keep Masonry's light burning bright.

Be sure to look Ill. Brother Bill up when you're at the Consistory. He'll be happy to share a sea story or two with you!



Memorial Scroll

William Fredrick Allnutt, 32°	06/22/2020
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Jasper Freese, 32°	03/10/2020
Hollis Jasper Howerton, 32°	05/16/2020
Darth Daryl Hurlburt, 32°	09/01/2020
Clayton Loomis, 32°	05/16/2020
Paul Wesley Scott, 32°	07/02/2020
Robert Myrland Scott, 32°	05/02/2020
Lloyd Carl Wade, 32°	06/22/2020



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If you are interested in joining the Rose Croix Funeral Team and helping them, contact the office or [Joe Magoffin, 32° KCCH](#) for more information.



The Prelate's Pulpit

Rev. James H. Harris, 33°

Prelate for All Scottish Rite Bodies



I enjoyed our September Stated Meeting in which some of us were able to attend because we were officers. Bryant Harris of the Scottish Rite Foundation presented scholarship awards to students via zoom. Brothers Phil and Bobby presented some exciting news about a new program. Wayne Arner gave a positive treasurer's report. Other reports were given as needed. It was wonderful to look on the screen and see so many brothers in attendance via zoom. During these times, we are finding new ways to keep connected. As I sit on the floor with candles lit around the altar, I could not help but notice all the empty chairs surrounding the floor. Now, major league sports sell seats for fans to have a cardboard cutout of them placed in the seats. I thought, now THAT is a way for us to raise money! We could sell cutouts of our members. I tried to imagine a cutout of Jerry Fenimore, Mike Moore, Ron Birely, Bob Applegate, Jim Glasscock, Claud Dutro, Tom Thompson, Randy Penn and so many others. On second thought, that would NOT be the same as seeing real-life persons.

In these times, brothers, we adapt; we do things differently and we make the best of every day. I always try to remember every day is a gift from God, given to me to use as I will. I can waste it or use it for good. God only gives us so many days to live, so let us not waste our days. In these times, many persons are stressed, depressed, struggling, and need help. So, can we be rays of light, offer words of hope and give a Brother a helping hand? A Brother and I hugged each other Monday night. Yes, a no-no, but for me, it was much needed. Our Bishop has formed a task force of trained clergy and lay members to assist our clergy members who are down, not feeling well, or are depressed. We all need each other. Some of us are more durable than others. Some of us are fragile. One of my seminary professors once said, "Be nice to everyone, as you never know what they are going through. Your words may be the last words they hear."

In the words of the Psalmist, "I lift my eyes to the hills, from whence comes my help? My help comes from the Lord who made heaven and earth." Paul writes, "we are members, one of another." Remember the five points of fellowship? I would add one more: "Heart to Heart."

First Samuel tells us that God does not look at the outward appearances, but looks at the heart.

Love each other, care for each other, and be a Brother to all.

Peace, my Brothers.





SPECIAL BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

100 Years Young!

Henry Hassel Taylor

90 Years Young

Alvin Wayne Allen

Jerry Don Davis

Ronald Glenn Honn

Wallace Grant Hunt

Samuel Sidney Okner

Clarence Donald Shiverdecker

Russell Lee Wehner, Jr

80 Years Young

Manuel Philip Covarrubias

Ronald Lee Eason

Wayne Leroy Livermore

Charles Robert Travis

William John Van Vliet

70 Years Young

Thomas Trent Gerlach

Ernest Berry Jones

Warren Douglas Paul

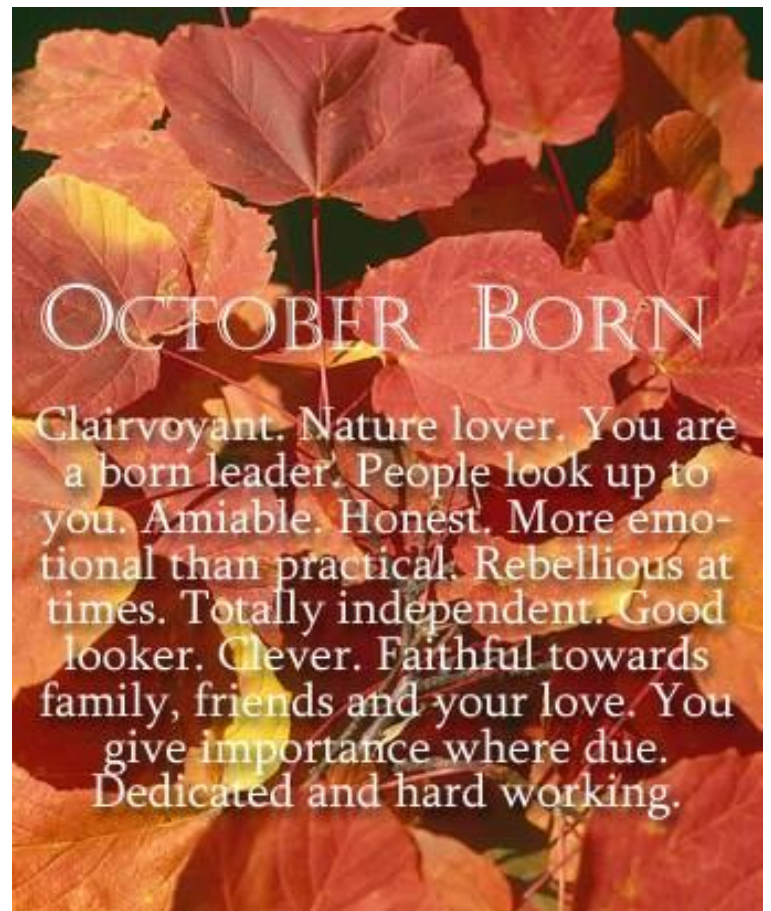
Grover Lee Sardeson

Our OCTOBER "Youngster"

Matthew Lee Shamburger (29)



October 13, 1775 (245 years old)



OCTOBER HAPPENINGS OF NOTE IN HISTORY

October 13, 1775 - The United States Navy was born after the Second Continental Congress authorized the acquisition of a fleet of ships.

October 13, 1792 - The cornerstone of the White House was laid by George Washington. The building, located at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, is three stories tall with over 100 rooms, and was designed by James Hoban. In November of 1800, President John Adams and his family moved in. The building was first known as the "Presidential Palace," but acquired the name "White House" about 10 years after its completion. It was burned by British troops in 1814, then reconstructed, refurbished and reoccupied in 1817.

October 14, 1947 - U.S. Air Force Captain Chuck Yeager became the first man to break the sound barrier, flying in a rocket-powered research aircraft (the X-1).

October 17, 1777 - During the American Revolutionary War, British General John Burgoyne and his entire army of 5,700 men surrendered to American General Horatio Gates after the Battle of Saratoga, the first big American victory.

October 21, 1967 - Thousands of anti-war protesters stormed the Pentagon during a rally against the Vietnam War in Washington, D.C. About 250 were arrested. No shots were fired, but demonstrators were struck with nightsticks and rifle butts.

October 22, 1962 - President John F. Kennedy appeared on television to inform Americans of the existence of Russian missiles in Cuba. The President demanded their removal and announced a naval "quarantine" of Cuba. Six days later, the Russians announced they would remove the weapons. In return, the U.S. later removed missiles from Turkey.

October 25, 1854 - During the Crimean War, the Charge of the Light Brigade occurred as Lord Cardigan led the British cavalry against the Russians at Balaclava. Of 673 British cavalrymen taking part in the charge, 272 were killed. The Charge was later immortalized in the poem by Alfred, Lord Tennyson.

October 27, 1787 - The first of 85 Federalist Papers appeared in print in a New York City newspaper. The essays argued for the adoption of the new U.S. Constitution. They were written by Alexander Hamilton, James Madison and John Jay.

October 28, 1886 - The Statue of Liberty was dedicated on Bedloe's Island in New York Harbor. The statue was a gift from the people of France commemorating the French-American alliance during the American Revolutionary War. Designed by Frederic Auguste Bartholdi, the entire structure stands 300 feet (92.9 meters) tall. The pedestal contains the words: "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free, the wretched refuse of your teeming shore. Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost to me, I lift my lamp beside the golden door!"

October 28, 1962 - The Cuban Missile Crisis ended with the announcement by Soviet Russia's leader Nikita Khrushchev that his Soviet government was halting construction of missile bases in Cuba and would remove the offensive missiles. President Kennedy immediately accepted the offer then lifted the U.S. naval blockade of Cuba.

Birthday - Dr. Jonas Salk (1914-1995) was born in New York City. In 1952, he developed a vaccine for the dreaded childhood disease Polio (poliomyelitis, also known as infantile paralysis). His vaccine reduced deaths from Polio in the U.S. by 95%.

October 31st - Halloween or All Hallows' Eve, an ancient celebration combining the Christian festival of All Saints with Pagan autumn festivals.

October 31, 1517 - Martin Luther nailed his [95 Theses](#) to the door of Wittenberg's palace church, denouncing the selling of papal indulgences and questioning various ecclesiastical practices. This marked the beginning of the Protestant Reformation in Germany.



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Rolls

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