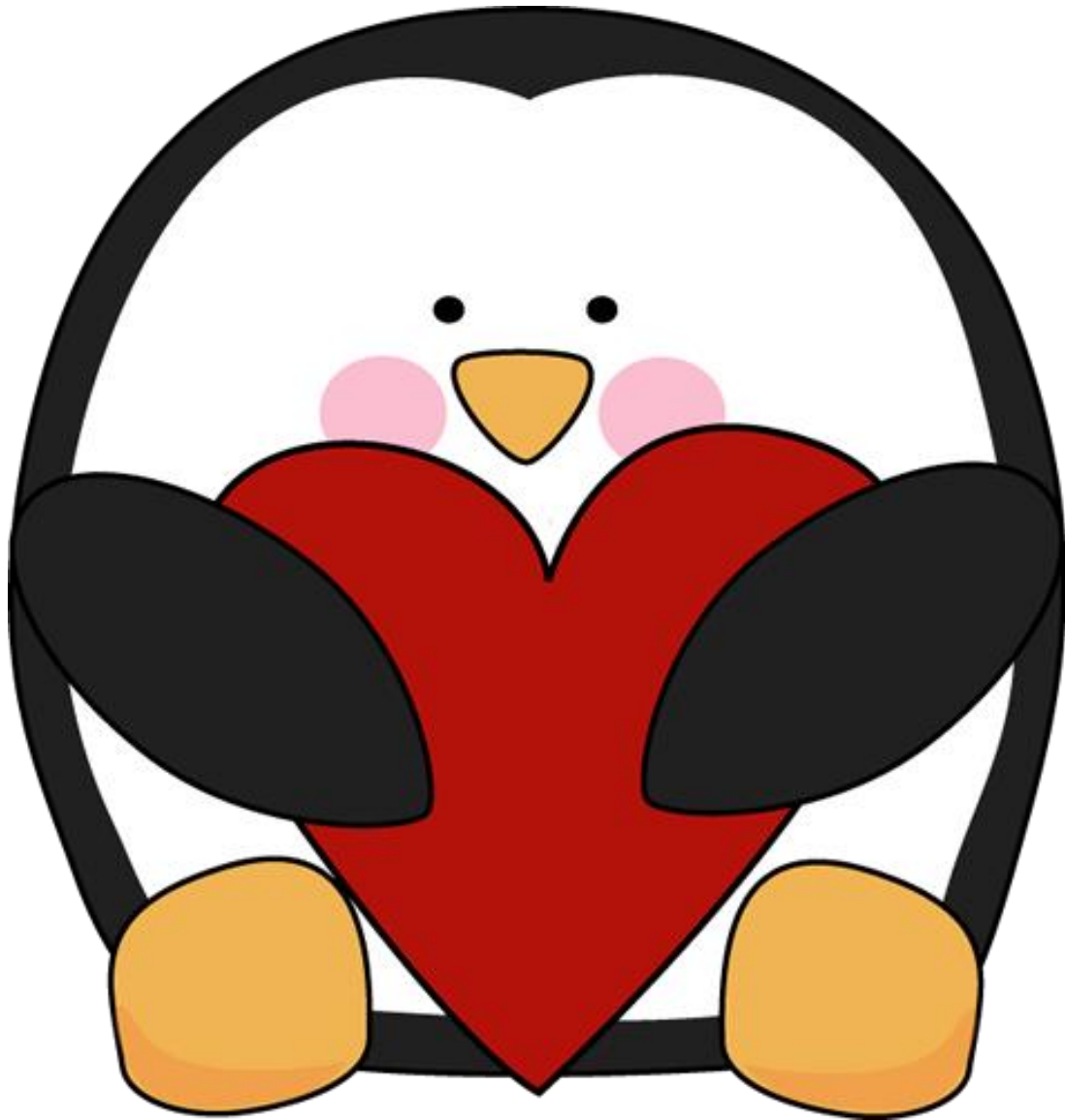




Denver's RiteWorks

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Denver Consistory Marketplace

<https://centennial-lodge-of-perfection.square.site/>

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

January 2020: 1690

January 2021: 1628

Net: **62 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**

Due to the rise in COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations, and the reduction in the number of persons who can meet indoors in the Denver City/County area, **the Friday lunches are cancelled until further notice.**

No meetings will be allowed in the building until further notice.

February 2021 **Subject to Change as necessary**

Mon, Feb 1	7:00 p.m. KSA Virtual Meeting
Mon, Feb 15	7:00 p.m. Stated Virtual Meeting (Feast of Kadosh) Entertainment (President's Day, Valentine's Day) Almoner & Life Member Reports to CLOP 18° Prolog and Discussion

March 2021 **Subject to Change as necessary**

Mon, Mar 1	7:00 p.m. KSA Meeting (likely Virtual)
Wed, Mar 10	7:00 p.m. Virtual Degree Council Meeting
Mon, Mar 15	7:00 p.m. Virtual Stated Meeting Masonic Education - 14° Prolog & Discussion

April 2021 **Subject to Change as necessary**

Fri, Apr 2	11:30 a.m. Consistory Lunch (Fried Chicken)
Mon, Apr 5	7:00 p.m. KSA Meeting
Fri, Apr 9	11:30 a.m. Consistory Lunch
Fri, Apr 16	11:30 a.m. Consistory Lunch
Mon, Apr 19	Stated Meeting - Parking Garage Available (tent.) 5:30 p.m. Red Room Business Meeting 6:00 p.m. Dinner 7:00 p.m. Awards & Announcements Celebration of Remembrance and Renewal
Fri, Apr 23	11:30 a.m. Consistory Lunch
Fri, Apr 30	11:30 a.m. Consistory Lunch

EDITOR'S NESTLEBOARD



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THE "SYSTEM ENGINEER'S DIET" SYNDROME

I always like to tell this story, which has a significant moral (at the very end).

We all know that it takes 1 calorie to heat 1 gram of water 1 degree Celsius. (FACT)

Translated into meaningful terms, this means that if you eat a very cold dessert (generally consisting of water in large part), the natural processes which raise the consumed dessert to body temperature during the digestive cycle literally sucks the calories out of the only available source, your body fat. (DON'T WE WISH?)

For example, a dessert served and eaten near 0°C (32°F) will, in a short time, be raised to the normal body temperature of 37°C (98.6°F). For each gram of dessert eaten, that process takes approximately 37 calories as stated above. The average dessert portion is 6 oz, or ~168 grams. Therefore, by operation of thermodynamic law, 6,216 calories (1 cal/g/deg x 37 deg x 168 gms) are extracted from body fat as the dessert's temperature is raised.

Allowing for the 1,200 latent calories in the dessert, the net caloric loss is approximately 5,000 calories. Obviously, the more cold dessert you eat, the better off you are and the faster you will lose weight, IF that is your goal.

This process works equally well when drinking very cold beer in frosted glasses. Each ounce of beer contains 16 latent calories, but extracts 1,036 calories (6,216 cal per 6 oz portion) in the temperature normalizing process. Thus, the net caloric loss per ounce of beer is 1,020 calories!

It doesn't take a rocket scientist to calculate that 12,240 calories (12 oz x 1,020 cal/oz) are extracted from the body in the process of drinking a can of beer.

Frozen desserts, e.g., ice cream, are even more beneficial, since it takes 83 cal/gm to melt them (i.e., raise them to 0°C) and an additional 37 cal/gm to further raise them to body temperature. The results here are really remarkable, and it beats running - hands down!

Unfortunately, for those who eat pizza as an excuse to drink beer, pizza (loaded with latent calories and served ABOVE body temperature) induces the opposite effect. But, thankfully, as the astute reader should have already reasoned, the obvious solution is to drink a lot of beer with pizza and follow up immediately with large bowls of ice cream.

We should all be thin very soon if we adhere religiously to this pizza, beer, and ice cream diet.

UNFORTUNATELY, like life, sometimes simple explanations are just plain WRONG!

Bill



From the Secretary's Desk

[Matt Raia, 33°](#)



February 2021

January 18th Stated Meeting - Our January Virtual Stated Meeting consisted of the public installation of officers, conducted by **Illustrious and Most Worshipful Brother Karl Hinkle, 33°**, Deputy of the Supreme Council, followed by our regular business meeting and the annual reports of the Centennial Lodge of Perfection, the Scottish Rite Masonic Center, The Scottish Rite Cathedral Association, and Scottish Rite Properties. We had 89 members log on to view the meeting and enjoy the social time prior to and after the meeting.

Spring Reunion Update - due to the uncertainty surrounding the COVID-19 vaccination process as well as when restrictions will be lifted on indoor group gatherings, the spring Reunion scheduled for May has been canceled. Degree rehearsals would be required to start in late March, and under current conditions that would not be possible.

Denver Consistory Reopening Celebration Reunion

Will be held October 14-16, 2021 as part of the *Denver Consistory Reopening Celebration*. By late August or early September, COVID-19 vaccinations should be completed and meeting restrictions lifted, allowing degree rehearsals to take place and the Reunion to be held. **WE NEED CANDIDATES!** Let's have a big class for the Reopening Celebration Reunion. Since this year is 2021, it would be great if we had 21 members in the class. We currently have eight candidates who are completing the "*Journey to the Scottish Rite*" candidate education program and are anxious to take part in the October Reunion. A new session of the "*Journey to the Scottish Rite*" will start in May and will conclude prior to the October Reunion. Get your petitions in right away so your candidate may participate in the upcoming J2SR. It is not a requirement that they participate in the J2SR as they will still be allowed to participate in the Reunion, but by participating in the J2SR they will have a greater understanding of the Scottish Rite Degrees and the Reunion experience will be much more informative and rewarding.

COMING EVENTS

Monday, February 15th Virtual Stated Meeting - the Colorado Council of Kadosh will conduct the Feast of Kadosh, and we will hear the annual report of the Almoner and the Life Memorial Membership Fund. Masonic Education on the 18° will be given by **Brother Bill Achbach, 32°**, Director of Education.

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Virtual Degree Council Meeting - Wednesday, March 10th at 7:00 p.m. All Degree Directors and reunion committee chairmen are asked to attend the meeting. The Director General, **Brother Phil Hause, 32° KCCH**, will present the "plan" for the October Reunion.

Monday, March 15th Virtual Stated Meeting - The March meeting is when we normally have the Past Presiding Officer Recognition program and *Sports Team Shirt Night*. We do not yet know if/or how we will conduct a virtual past presiding officer recognition program. But, we will have our *Sport Team Shirt night!*



Easy Ways to Donate to the SRMC Endowment

Fund: WRITE A CHECK!

By: Wayne Arner, 33°

Three years ago, we established the SRMC Endowment Fund. We took on this task in an effort to ensure that we can operate forever into the future. Our goal is to raise a \$4 million corpus. Once achieved, only the interest will be used to support the SRMC. Yes, this should have been done a hundred years ago. Better late than never. And, I am proud to say that members and organizations have stepped up and contributed. We have raised over \$189,000 to date!

Starting with this article, we will publish a series of articles on giving. From simple giving techniques to more complicated planned giving techniques.

We are lucky that the SRMC has members and friends who are generous. One of our friends is Clarence Davan. You might remember Clarence. He talked with us about being a "care giver." Clarence's wife, Martha, had Alzheimer's and Clarence cared for her until the very end.

Clarence has a storied past. He earned a PhD in International Economics from Purdue University. He reached the rank of One-Star Admiral in the Navy. He held a seat on the Chicago Board of Trade. And, he endowed TWO scholarships in the Economics Department of Purdue University. Clarence called us one day and asked if he could make a donation. It was JUST THAT SIMPLE.

I JUST WROTE A CHECK: By Clarence Davan

I wrote a check recently to the SRMC Endowment Fund. I did it for three reasons: ONE: I want my money to go to a good cause. (Like you, I do not want it squandered.) TWO: I wanted to start 2021 off right. THREE: my late wife, Martha, and I were married for 60 years. I wanted to do something thoughtful in her name.



From the Centennial Lodge of Perfection

By Daniel K. Conway, 32° KCCH
Venerable Master, Centennial Lodge of Perfection
Denver Consistory Class Director
Denver Consistory Webmaster



JOURNEY TO THE SCOTTISH RITE

The tumultuous social and political events of the past year, and a crippling global pandemic have left an indelible mark on our lives. Propagated by ignorance and sensationalism, our society is shrouded more than ever with divisiveness and uncertainty. From everyday rituals like shaking hands, to significant milestones like graduations and weddings, there are very few aspects of our lives that have not been impacted. Most profound of all is the devastating loss of livelihood and life itself.

Our beloved fraternity has not been spared the ill effects of these hardships either. The traditional Masonic experience has unquestionably been diminished—for both our current and prospective members. Lodge meetings, conferrals of degrees, installations, ceremonials, social events, and community programs have all been altered, postponed, or cancelled. The Scottish Rite, too, has experienced impacts, perhaps most notably the cancellation of the 2020 Spring and Fall reunions and now the Spring 2021 reunion as well.

However, throughout its long and storied history, we have seen Freemasonry rewritten and reinvented to adapt to the changing times. Freemasonry will endure, as the resilient institution moves forward. The challenges we face today are merely opportunities to innovate and evolve. Seizing upon this opportunity, a new program was launched last October to engage our prospective members and help our current members rediscover what the Scottish Rite has to offer. This program is called ***“Journey to the Scottish Rite”*** or ***“J2SR”*** for short.

The objectives of this fraternity can only be achieved when its members have a thorough understanding of the extent and depth of its precepts. While the Reunion confers the degrees, and the Master Craftsman program supports continuing education, a critical introductory process for prospective members has been missing. As such, the primary objective of J2SR is to present an introductory and preparatory program that engages, educates, and inspires candidates ***prior to*** the Reunion so they will be better enabled to comprehend the varied and significant volume of lessons and concepts presented throughout the Scottish Rite degrees. To achieve this objective, the J2SR program outlines three goals. The first is to establish a common language. Each of the four bodies of the Scottish Rite draws its history from the past and we must begin to explore the legends that are their foundations. Second, is to establish context: nothing in this world is as it appears, and this program explores the meaning of each of our symbols and the precepts they encapsulate. Third, is to discuss how to apply these teachings in our daily lives. As the lessons take hold in our hearts and minds, then and only then can they be made manifest through our daily interactions.

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The J2SR program is carried out over the course of 10 online group sessions, typically lasting between 60 and 90 minutes each, in which the candidates are presented lessons on each degree by Scottish Rite Masons who have been selected for their expertise, experience, and passion for that particular degree. These group sessions do not present the degrees themselves—no ritual is performed or revealed—rather a synopsis of the symbols, core concepts, and historical context of each degree is provided. Each session is then capped off with an open dialogue between the candidates and current members to share their thoughts and impressions. To further enhance this experience, a current member of the Consistory is assigned to serve as a guide for the candidate throughout the program. These guides participate side-by-side with the candidates to provide a personal one-on-one approach to support and reinforce the program objectives, and to provide a familiar face to help the candidate navigate their new membership experience.

The J2SR program is also designed to leverage different approaches to learning. By utilizing slide shows and reading assignments, the visual learning style is addressed; verbal narrative and group discussions resonate with the auditory learner; and journaling assignments and knowledge checks are designed to foster tactile and experiential learning. In the end, the *Journey to the Scottish Rite* aspires to prepare the candidate in such a way that the Reunion will become a **transformational** experience, not just a transactional one.

Because we were afforded very little time to develop this program prior to launch, it has been necessary to embrace a “build as we go” mentality. Along the way we have learned a great deal, and solicited feedback from our participants during this alpha-phase of the program. We were, of course, hopeful the program would be received favorably, but the responses have FAR exceeded our expectations. The candidates have been very appreciative of the work done by the Consistory to present this program and have regularly expressed how impressed they are with the lessons inculcated in the degrees; particularly how relevant they are in their personal lives. Even though primarily oriented toward enhancing the Scottish Rite experience for our candidates, the most surprising response has been from our current members who have also participated. In fact, the two most frequent comments we have received from them are, “I wish this program were in place when I first joined the Consistory” and “I have learned more in this program than I have in years as an active member.”

As this program continues to develop, the vision is that it will eventually become the “new norm” for introducing our new members to the Rite. The inaugural run of the J2SR program will conclude in February, but the next round will start up again in May. If you know of any Master Masons who wish to join the Denver Consistory, NOW has never been a better time to bring them onboard. If you have not had the opportunity to participate yourself, we highly encourage you to join us on Saturday mornings for an enlightening and invigorating experience as we ***“Journey to the Scottish Rite.”***





Breaking News with Master Craftsman

RETURN TO “NORMAL”? WHAT WILL THAT LOOK LIKE?



By: Bill Achbach, 32°

*“Here’s to the New Year. May she be a damn sight better than the old one, and may we all be home before she’s over!” (Harry Morgan as COL Sherman T. Potter, CBS: M*A*S*H - “A War for All Seasons” (1980)*

There’s much about 2020 which I delight in bidding a hopeful and not-so-fond farewell, as it fades into the rearview mirror: not only COVID, but civil unrest, incivility in many forms, and the list goes on. And, yes, I’d change the same piece of COL Potter’s toast as all of you probably would, even while praising the general sentiment: “...may we all be back in Lodge ...!”

It WILL happen! It will probably take longer than most desire. But 2021 will see a return to some (much? ... certainly not all!) of the old, the comfortable and the familiar. We WILL “get there,” but the harsh reality, even as the pace picks up, is that it still won’t be rapid and probably not complete, even in this calendar year.

So then, what will “normal” look like? How much of masks, ZOOM, “virtual this” and “virtual that,” “social distancing,” “curbside pick-up” and all the rest will persist or even become part of a “new normal” ... and for how long?

I’ve no clue! Just give me the vaccine, and I’ll take the rest as it comes! Amen?

But, I do know this: 2020 gave me a renewed appreciation for our Fraternity and all that it does to enrich my life. If I resolve anything in that regard, it’s to be more appreciative of the Craft and all that I have because of it, and that’s where I’ll finally get to the point (and the “pitch”) of this little oration!

There’s an old gospel song that proclaims, “You can’t stand on the promises, if you don’t know what they are!” The lecture would then say, “Which we may apply thusly.”

A deep appreciation of something generally goes hand-in-hand with knowing a good bit about it. I can’t begin to tell you how many times, in 2020, I found myself feeling so fortunate for a few minutes I could take to read, reflect upon, and appreciate guidance or wise words from the Craft. Readings from **365 Level Steps** by Jonti Marks were a daily help; the engagement and optimism of working on our **Journey to the Scottish Rite** helped; seeing the faces and hearing the voices of my Brothers on those Zoom calls helped; **AND** Master Craftsman study helped.

We tell new Brothers, in Lodge as well as in Consistory, “You’ll get out of it what you put in.” Personally, I feel that I get much more than I put in, but maybe that’s just me. The point is that “as you put in more, you’ll understand more and appreciate more.” So, if your

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appreciation and gratitude for Masonry and for Scottish Rite have been at all heightened in past months, consider “kicking it up a notch” with enrollment in a Master Craftsman course. One thing that I can guarantee you is that you’ll see certain aspects of masonry differently. You’ll probably be a more appreciative and grateful mason and have more to offer your Lodge and your Brethren too.

Our monthly Virtual Master Craftsman session in January included a visit from Brother Stuart Pool, 32°, who manages the Master Craftsman program for the Supreme Council, SMJ. His candid sharing of some of the challenges of 2020 and prospects for addressing solutions in 2021 and beyond (as things at The House of the Temple get more back to “normal”) are really what prompted the tone of this piece. From “why do we say that” and “why do we do that,” to “how can I tie it all together,” to “how can I do a better job of putting the ideas into effect in my life,” you can find perspective and meaning in the three courses that make up the Master Craftsman Program.

- **Course #1: *The Symbolic Lodge*** is made up of seven lessons and will familiarize Brethren with aspects of the development of Blue Lodge Masonry and explore some of its symbolism. You’ll discover that the “High Degrees” began to develop soon after formation of the Premier Grand Lodge (1717). The test for this study is Albert Pike’s book, ***Esoterika: The Symbolism of the Blue Degrees of Freemasonry***, which will be used to demonstrate a rational and philosophical interpretation for much of what is found in Craft Masonry. The course is available for online enrollment. Note also: ***The Symbolic Lodge*** course is available to **ALL MASTER MASONS**, so tell your Lodge and your Worshipful Master!
- **Course #2: *Scottish Rite Ritual and History*** consists of six lessons, utilizing the ***Scottish Rite Ritual Monitor & Guide (3rd Ed.)*** by Arturo de Hoyos, 33° GC, and ***A Bridge to Light (4th Ed.)*** by Rex Hutchens, 33° GC, as its textbooks. This course is also available for online enrollment.
- **Course #3: *Scottish Rite Philosophy*** is the thirty-three-lesson capstone of the program. It uses Albert Pike’s ***Morals and Dogma, Annotated Edition***, by Arturo de Hoyos, 33° GC, and returns to the ritual of the Scottish Rite to re-explore it on a deeper level. The course looks for the moral lesson imparted in each degree and then applies that lesson to one’s everyday life. The course’s lessons are grouped into 10 sections.

Let me know if you’d like more information ... but here’s easy-access to some regardless:

Want to see a syllabus for one of the courses?

<https://scottishrite.org/scottish-rite-master-craftsman-program/syllabus-symbolic-lodge/>
<https://scottishrite.org/scottish-rite-master-craftsman-program/syllabus-history-ritual/>
<https://scottishrite.org/scottish-rite-master-craftsman-program/syllabus-philosophy/>

Ready to enroll? <https://www.scottishritestore.org/master-craftsman-program.html>

Return to “normal? What will THAT look like?” - continued from previous page

Have questions about a course you already have (e.g., “It’s years old: may I still work on it?”)
Call/text or email me: 303-775-5727 or wbapm32@gmail.com

Want to convert a paper & pencil Course #1 or #2 to online enrollment?

Course #1: <https://survey.zohopublic.com/zs/OuCNMO>

Course #2: <https://survey.zohopublic.com/zs/FTCCY5>

Want to attend one of our Virtual master Craftsman sessions? (next one is February 16th at 7PM)

Register here:

<https://scottishrite.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYpc-qsrDsvHNIgS7BTgiv2QbK1rmZwKdtP>

I hope to see you soon Brethren, and, as always ...

Keep on Crafting, Brethren! *Bill*

Masonic Book Club



**** The pre-order window for *The Perfect Ceremonies of Craft Masonry and the Holy Royal Arch* has closed. If you pre-ordered this Masonic Book Club title, it should begin shipping on or about March 29, 2021. ****








The **Masonic Book Club (MBC)** was formed in 1970 by two Illinois Masons, Alphonse Cerza and Louis Williams. The MBC primarily reprinted out-of-print Masonic books with a scholarly introduction; occasionally they would print original texts. (See “Past Publications” tab.) After some 40 years of service to the Craft, the directors in 2010 decided to dissolve the MBC. The club originally was limited to 333 members, but the number eventually expanded to nearly 2,000, with 1,083 members when it dissolved in 2010.

In 2017 MW Barry Weer, 33°, the last president of the MBC, transferred the MBC name and assets to the Supreme Council, 33°, SJ USA. The revived Masonic Book Club has the goals of publishing classic Masonic books and of supporting Scottish Rite SJ USA Philanthropies. Membership is open to anyone 18 years or older who is interested in the history of Freemasonry and allows you to purchase MBC editions at a pre-publication discount.

The new MBC will have a different business model than the old. Most significantly, **there will be no dues**; being a member entitles you to purchase books at a pre-publication discount. Check out the FAQ section below for more details. For specific questions, write to mbc@scottishrite.org.

Scottish Rite Fund Raising Auction

The following examples of items that have already been identified for donation for the on-line auction. What do you have that can be donated for the Scottish Rite Fund Raising Auction? Please contact Tom Lincoln, 32° KCCH at tolin68@gmail.com We plan on an on-line auction sometime late Spring or early Summer this year.

Picture	Description	Estimated Value
	<p>1930's Coca Cola Cooler - This cooler was filled with ice to keep the beverages cold. It is of museum quality and it has been displayed an Adams County Museum. Note, underneath the cooler was where they stored Coke products before sale.</p>	<p>\$1,500.00</p>
	<p>"Gone With The Wind" Dollhouse. This house comes completely furnished with furniture, lighting, and Scarlett O'Hara and others figures.</p>	<p>\$1,000.00</p>
	<p>Sterling Silver Butterfly broach, with sleeping beauty stones in the body.</p>	<p>\$55.00</p>
	<p>Antique (Circ 1900's) Indian had carved Teak wooden printing stamp used for textile printing. This stamp has been modified for use as a jewelry box. Note the beautiful teak interior.</p>	<p>\$85.00</p>
	<p>Black Serpentine Frog Fetish with back pack. Artist: Chose Weeohkee, Zuni Tribe</p>	<p>\$63.00</p>
	<p>Dell computer monitor</p>	<p>\$100.00</p>
	<p>Chris Cummings "Evening Roundup" Framed – Cowboy.</p>	<p>\$250.00</p>

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



Illustrious Brother Paul R. Whannel, 33°

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



Greetings Brothers! I hope that everyone is safe and well and that we are moving closer to being able to meet in person.

Our Member Spotlight this month features a self-described “behind the scenes guy.” A Brother that is always there to help get things done, but doesn’t seek the spotlight. Ill. Brother Paul Whannel exemplifies all that is good about Masonry. Many of you know Paul from his service on the Costumes Committee with Doc Powell, or on the Properties Committee with Walt Martin. Or, more recently as a member of the Executive Committee of the Consistory.

Paul has been a Mason for 57 years. He was raised a Master Mason in Martin Lodge #624 in Waterloo, Iowa when he was 22 years old. He has been a member of Denver Consistory since 1973.

Paul was born in Waterloo, Iowa. He was a “blue baby,” meaning his blood wasn’t receiving adequate oxygen. His parents drove him 60 miles to Cedar Rapids where he had a complete transfusion as a newborn. When Paul was about 2½ years old, he contracted polio and spent about six weeks in an iron lung before recovering.

When World War II started, Paul’s father was transferred to Panama and the family moved there for about four months. At that time, Paul’s father joined the U.S. Navy and Paul, his mother, and older sister moved back to Waterloo, where Paul graduated high school in 1958. After the war ended, Paul’s father remained in the Navy Reserves while working for a cement company in Waterloo, making sewer pipe. His dad received two patents for innovations that he created in the making of the pipes. His dad also stayed in the Reserves, ultimately retiring as a Rear Admiral.

Upon graduation from high school, Paul attended Cornell College for one year before transferring to the University of Northern Iowa in Waterloo. He graduated from Northern Iowa with a degree in physics and mathematics. While working at IBM he received a BS degree in Mechanical Engineering and later an MBA in Accounting/Management from Colorado State University in Fort Collins.

Paul’s family belonged to the Methodist Church in Waterloo and his grandfather was the minister of the church. Paul met his wife, Judy, at the church and they recently celebrated 60 years of marriage on January 22. Congratulations! They were married by his grandfather, who was a Mason and who sparked Paul’s interest in Masonry. In the 1960’s, there was a lot of concern about Masonry and the Protestant Church and Masonry wasn’t discussed very much. His great-great-grandfather was also a Mason in the 1860’s. His (Paul’s great-great grandfather’s) diamond Masonic ring was presented to Paul by his father when Paul was raised a Master Mason at Martin Lodge #624 in Waterloo and he still wears it every day. Ask him to show you the ring when you see him at the Consistory. Paul’s dad was a Mason and a

Shriner, and his parents were active in the Waterloo Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star. Paul has also been active in the York Rite, serving as Secretary of the three Lafayette Bodies for three years.

Paul and Judy moved to Minneapolis about six months after Paul joined Martin Lodge #624. He was working for the Geophysics Company, building weather blimps. Later, when the company decided to move its headquarters to Boston, Paul and Judy decided not to make the move. Judy's brother-in-law was attending the University of Colorado Law School in Boulder, so they decided to move to Boulder with no job, but with optimism that something was there for them. Paul heard about a new IBM plant going in at Niwot and applied for a job and hired on in 1966. Paul worked for IBM until he retired in 1994. He and Judy still live in the home in North Boulder that they bought in 1966. Judy began volunteering in the library of an elementary school in Boulder soon after they moved there and upon the retirement of the school librarian, she was hired as the full-time librarian. She retired in 1994 when Paul retired. In the late 1970's and 80's, Paul served on the Board of Directors of the Boulder Little Britches Rodeo and the Boulder PowWow Rodeo.

Their son lives in Littleton with his wife. He recently retired at 54 years old, as did Paul, and is enjoying golf, bicycling and reading. They have a son at Colorado State University in Fort Collins and a daughter who is a graduate of CSU. Paul and Judy's daughter is a CPA with her own accounting practice in Denver.

After moving to Boulder from Minneapolis, Paul joined Boulder Lodge #45. He was the Worshipful Master of Boulder #45 in 1978. He and Judy were active in the Eastern Star and their son was in DeMolay and their daughter was in Rainbow Girls. He also was active in El Jebel Shrine and served in the Divan from 1988-2005. This is about the same time that Paul became very active with the Scottish Rite. He worked in four different degrees over the years. He spent several years organizing the Consistory Library and all the old photos. Using his engineering background, he was able to take all the degree scripts and convert them to hard copy. Thanks, Brother Paul!

When I asked Paul who some of the most important Masons in his life were, he first named his maternal grandfather, the Methodist minister that piqued Paul's interest in Masonry. He also mentioned the deep appreciation he has for the many years that he has worked with Doc Powell at the Shrine and at the Consistory. Paul also named Ron Birely as a special friend and mentor.

Paul's advice to all his Brother is this: FAMILY COMES FIRST. Always think of your family. As you proceed in your Masonic journey, try different things—then pick your favorite—then don't be afraid to let someone else come in with new and fresh ideas. And, don't try to do too much—remember your family!

As mentioned earlier, Paul has recently "retired" from the Executive Committee of the Consistory. He has been extremely busy of the past year or so in updating records and working on membership retention. He has identified 37 Brothers that have passed and that we weren't aware of their passing, added email addresses for 128 Brothers, and identified 87 Brothers that don't have emails. In total, he has made more than 250 calls to Brothers during the pandemic lockdown. He has updated the Sentinel database on these Brothers and has included

obituaries and other important information. We appreciate your hard work, Brother Paul!

It's a real pleasure and an honor to work with Brother Paul and I urge each of you to make an effort to get acquainted with him. A hard-working and dedicated Mason!



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YOU KNOW YOU WORK FOR THE GOVERNMENT WHEN ...

- The “process” becomes more important than the product.
- You don't see anything wrong with attending a meeting on a subject you know nothing about.
- You feel you contributed to the meeting just by being there.
- You stop raising issues/problems because you know you will be the one tasked with answering them.
- You fly across the country to attend a conference with 100+ people to discuss the fact that the project does not have enough money.
- You understand the rationalization of an acronym comprised of acronyms.
- You can name the project leader of more than 10 projects, including your own, but still can't explain in the simplest terms what they do.
- You've sat at the same desk for 3 years, done the same thing for 3 years, but have had 3 different business cards.

Memorial Scroll

Milton Brandwein, 33°	12/17/2020
Orville Glen Bussell, 32°	11/23/2020
Ernest Gordon Clore, 32° KCCH	11/23/2020
Hugh Clifford Cumming, 32°	04/16/2020
Charles Leonard Fletcher, 32°	11/20/2020
Robert Lee Gieck, 32°	07/13/2006
Donald W. Lewin, 32°	11/11/1945
Leland Ray McCollum, 32°	11/04/2020
Donald Leroy Parker, 32°	11/22/2020
Olan Gerald Pryor, 32°	01/11/2021
William Erben Shellhart, 32°	03/01/2020
Jack Nathan Simmons, 32°	12/26/2020
B. Stanley Taff, 32°	10/24/2020
Arnold VanZandt, 32°	11/11/2020



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



The Prelate's Pulpit

Rev. James H. Harris, 33°

Prelate for All Scottish Rite Bodies



Many thanks to Ron Birely and Matt Raia for restructuring the installation service for our stated meeting. Congratulations to our elected and appointed officers and committee members for this year. I am looking forward to a good year. In February, we celebrate Presidents' Day, the beginning of lent, and Valentine's Day. It is also a month in which the Earth transitions into Spring, a season of renewal as the Earth awakens. New life springs forth. Valentine was a Christian in the early church who refused to renounce his Christian faith before Claudius the roman Emperor and pray to the roman Gods. Before he was put to death, he gave the guard a note to give to his blind daughter. The note was signed, "From your Valentine." His daughter's sight was restored.

I have been thinking about what makes a Mason. I decided it is his character. Brother Albert Mackey writes, "A Mason is a man whose conduct should be squared by strict rectitude and justice toward his fellow creatures; his demeanor should be marked by the level of courtesy and kindness; while uprightness of heart and integrity of action, symbolized by the plumb, should be his distinguishing characteristic, and this guided by the moveable jewels of Masonry, he may descend the vale of life with joy, in the hope of being accepted by the most high, as a successful candidate for admission into the Grand lodge above."

Brother Edwin Markham writes, "We have committed the Golden Rule to memory; let us now commit it to life." From the Masonic dictionary we read, "The real Mason is distinguished from the rest of mankind by the uniform rectitude of his conduct. He restrains his passions, he venerates the good men of all religions and disturbs not their religion. He is honest upon principle. Masons don't all think the same, don't all talk the same, don't act the same, and do not make one idea their focus. However, Masons believe in a Supreme Creator. Masons strive to do no harm, always do good, love people, and stay close to the GAOTU.

As we enter a new year, let us think about our character. Are we proud to be who we are? Are changes needed? When I was ordained, I was asked the question, "Will you strive toward Christian Perfection?"

I answered "yes." I am still striving.

Blessings,
Rev. Jim Harris, 33°



SPECIAL BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

105 Years Young!

George M. Gilmore, 32°

90 Years Young

Andre Lee Grable, 32°

Harry Cash Johns, 32°

Herman Aaron Ratner, 32°

Ray Lyman Speaker, 32°

80 Years Young

David Mitchell Brooks, 32°

Wayne Lavern Cling II, 32°

Larry Eugene Erickson, 32°

John Andrew Hall, 32°

Albert Leo Harrington, Jr., 32°

Robert Victor Hoblit, 32°

Bruce Fessenden Miller, 32°

70 Years Young

Fred Runyan III, 32° KCCH

Daryl Dean Samp, 32°

Bruce Wayne Squires, 32°

Douglas R. Turner, 32°

60 Years Young

Victor Lynn Walker, 32°

Our FEBRUARY “Youngster”

Corey David-Thomas Clerkin, 32° (26)

BASIC PRECEPTS OF SCIENCE

1. Murphy's SECOND law: left to themselves, things always go from bad to worse.
2. Murphy's THIRD law: Nature always sides with the hidden flaw.
3. Patrick's Theorem: If the experiment works, you must be using the wrong equipment.
4. Skinner's Constant (also known as Finnegan's Finagling Factor): That quantity which, when multiplied times, divided by, added to, or subtracted from - your answer - gives you the answer you SHOULD have gotten.
5. Horner's Five Thumb Postulate: Experience varies directly with equipment ruined.
6. Flagle's Law of the Perversity of Inanimate Objects: Any inanimate object, regardless of its composition or configuration, may be expected to perform - at any time - in a totally unexpected manner for reasons that are entirely obscure or else completely mysterious.
7. Allen's Axiom: When all else fails, read the instructions.
8. The Spare Parts Principle: The accessibility, during recovery, of small parts which fall from the work bench, varies directly with the size of the part - and inversely with its importance to the completion of the work underway.
9. The Compensation Corollary: The experiment may be considered a success if no more than 50% of the observed measurements must be discarded to obtain a correspondence with theory.
10. Gumperson' Law: The probability of a given event occurring is inversely proportional to its desirability.
11. The Ordering Principle: Those supplies necessary for yesterday's experiment must be ordered no later than tomorrow noon.
12. The ULTIMATE PRINCIPLE: By definition, when you are investigating the unknown - you do not know what you will find.

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