



South Denver #93 Trestleboard



Stated communications the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month September–May
Dinners at 6:30 pm - \$10

Lodge opens at 7:15 pm

CALENDAR – January 2015

Jan. 6th - Stated Communication

Dinner 6:30–Tempura battered lemon chicken
Ladies and Guests Invited
Lodge opens 7:15 – Roundtable Discussion:
“How Do We Handle Adversity?”

Jan. 13th – Officers Practice – 6:00 pm

Temple Board Association – 6:30 pm

Jan. 20th – Stated Communication

Dinner 6:30 – Texas red chili with fixin’s
Lodge opens 7:15 – “The Socratic Method”
Followed by a Socratic Circle Roundtable

Jan. 27th – Officers Practice – 6:00 pm

Greetings from the West and the South

January marks the unofficial beginning of the new term and we have lots of great things happening. Many of us will be traveling to Pueblo for the Grand Lodge Annual Meeting on January 23-24. If you are interest in attending, please let me know as we are trying to coordinate rooms for Friday night. I look forward to a great year filled with great programs. If there is anything you would like to see at your lodge this year don't hesitate to make recommendations directly to me or our Worshipful Master.

Fraternally,
Todd Warburton, Senior Warden

I am proud and honored to have been elected as your Junior Warden for the 2015 calendar year. January 6th is our kick-off dinner of tempura battered chicken topped with a lemon citron sauce. On January 20th, Texas red chili with all the fixin's will delight our tables!

Andrew Schnackenberg, Junior Warden

Officers for 2015

Curtis A. Lipkie	Worshipful Master
S. Todd Warburton	Senior Warden
Andrew Schnackenberg	Junior Warden
John A. Warren, PM	Treasurer
Bryan P. Schultz, PM	Secretary
Paul R. Harrison	Senior Deacon
Michael C. Madura	Junior Deacon
Clinton Keithline, PM	Chaplain
William F. Milnor	Tiler

Greetings from the East...

"To whom so much is given, much is expected."

To the Brethren of South Denver,

It is with humble honor that I inform you of my recent installation as Worshipful Master of your Lodge. I will do my best to work for the betterment of the Lodge, its members, and the fraternity of Freemasonry.

My goals for this Masonic year are two fold: Make new Masons, and satisfy the needs of our brethren to be better men. The quality of the men coming into the fraternity, and their thirst for the search of light and meaning through Masonry, gives me great hope for the future of the brotherhood, and society in general. That eagerness of our new brethren to find something special in our Lodge is a major motivation for the program I have laid out for the year. But catering to the needs of new energetic Masons does not conflict with our existing brethren's desires to get more out of Masonry. In fact, they merge into one harmonious program to help all the Masons in our Lodge along the path to being satisfied and better men.

My plan includes the continued excellence in the ritual work of the Lodge, enlightening and insightful Masonic education, leadership development, and personal growth as husbands, fathers, and citizens. Your participation is earnestly solicited. If you cannot make it to Lodge for personal reasons, we will reach out to you. The work of the Lodge may be physically centered at our beautiful Temple, but the work of the Lodge is truly centered on you, wherever that may be.

In putting together my plan for the year, I am reminded of the those often heard words "you have a rough and rugged road to travel". But I am not traveling alone. The Lodge has been in good and steady hands over the recent years, and I hope to build upon the work of previous Worshipful Masters. The Trestleboard of our work requires many good men of the craft, and this Lodge has those men. And together, we will all be better men, have pleasure, and profit thereby.

Fraternally yours,

Curtis A. Lipkie, Worshipful Master
South Denver Lodge #93

Trestleboard changes are coming...

The reverse side of our Trestleboard traditionally contains the list of living active Past Masters of South Denver #93 and the standing committees of the Lodge for the current Masonic year. This Trestleboard contains the Past Masters list and the new committee members for the Masonic year 2015. For the remainder of this year, future Trestleboards will not list the committee members, since they normally do not change during the year. Therefore, save this edition of the Trestleboard so will you have a copy of the committee members for reference. Future Trestleboards will use this valuable space to provide additional information, such as biographical information of your Lodge officers.

The electronic world is changing us too...

The Lodge will be expending a significant effort in expanding its electronic communications capabilities with email, internet web site, and social media during the upcoming year. Currently, our email capabilities are mature and we can get information rapidly to you with a push of the button. But to make that rapid communication happen, we need your email address. We very much want to keep in touch with you. In particular, we are making the Trestleboard available electronically, and email is the method we use to make it available to you. Email us or call us at the address below and we will get you on our email list. Several brethren have even opted out of getting a paper copy of the Trestleboard, since they get the electronic copy up to 2 weeks earlier, and the Lodge can save money on printing and postage. You can even sign up for the electronic copy of the Trestleboard, and still receive the paper copy in the mail if you wish. The Lodge and its Worshipful Master are here to serve you.

Fellowship Nights have not gone away...

For those of you who have enjoyed the Fellowship Nights championed by Worshipful Brother Scott Olson last year, you might be disheartened at not seeing a Fellowship night scheduled in January. Do not despair! They have not gone away, just sidelined while the new officer line prepares for a busy Masonic year. We even have plans to expand Fellowship Nights to Fellowship Day activities during the year. Stay tuned, as we may even have a Fellowship activity slip into January's schedule. Another reason to send us your email address, so we can communicate with you in this fast paced world.

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LIVING & ACTIVE PAST MASTERS

Edward Singleton	1964 & 1988
Floyd C. Simmons	1966
David M. Naiman	1968 & 1989
Donald F. Schultz	1969
Wayne G. Arner	1974
Harold E. Naiman	1975
Clinton E. Bromley	1976
Michael E. Hessel	1978 & 1984
Gerald A. Ford	1979 + %
John H. Buchanan	1980 ^ *
Raymond G. Hanson Jr.	1984
Stephen J. Kaplan	1986
David J. Thomas	1990
Gary Wm. Noth	1992
James C. Emas	1992
Gary Hanneman	1993
Ronald L. Bush	1994
David Wilkerson	1996
Phillip Coomber	1997 * §
Ronald R. Kammerzell	1998
John Warren	1998 *
Bryan P. Schultz	2000 & 2004
Burney Brandel	2002
Clinton Keithline	2003
Jaime Gatseos	2005
Alfred Ulibarri	2006
Christopher Staton	2007
Mark Ellsworth (Honorary)	2007
Christopher Ross	2009
Daniel A. Rivers	2010
Matthew Simmons	2011
L. Bryant Harris	2012
Joseph L. Mitchell	2013
Scott Olson	2014

AFFILIATED:

Charles F. Fraley

% Past Grand Master of Masons

+ Past Grand Secretary

^ Past Grand Lecture

* Past Grand Orator

§ Honorary Member

Dispensation Granted: February 9, 1893

Charter Granted: September 20, 1893

WELFARE COMMITTEE

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Andrew Schnackenberg, JW
John A. Warren, PM, Treasurer
Bryan P. Shultz, PM, Secretary

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Matthew Simmons, PM

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Andrew Schnackenberg, JW

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Brethren,

I'd like to take this opportunity, my last opportunity, to address you all from the East. I do apologize, I got a little long-winded with this, Brethren, so bear with me and get comfortable.

It hit hard sitting down to write these words. A whole year came flooding back. And while I'll be the first to admit that I didn't get to all the things I set out to accomplish this year, I try not to dwell on that too much. I look back and see all the good things that happened, and there were some *great* things! Not all of them I can take full credit for but all moments I will cherish because they happened during my year.

My main goal, of which I am most proud, was Education. And with the tremendous assistance of my Senior Warden and my Wife, I have brought education to all of us as well as to our Ladies. We've had Brothers here to present from the Grand Lodge Speaker's Bureau as well as members of our own lodge who've stepped up and shared their insights and expertise. We've had numerous, fascinating discussions on many topics. Every meeting has been educational and enjoyable. I'm *immensely* proud of that! And thrilled to know that it will continue.

My other main goal this year was Communication. The near-weekly email communications have made a huge impact, from the numerous supportive responses from Brothers I see here regularly (for which I am truly appreciative) yet also to Brothers I've never met. Brothers who've moved away but still take the time to reach out and let me know how much they enjoy hearing about what's going on in lodge. I only wish we had more of our Brother's email addresses. To which end, we've started what has turned out to be the long and tedious process of updating our records and modernizing our database to improve that communication. Now, I realize that I've only chipped away a small piece of that rough stone but the process *has* begun. I will continue to lend my support to this process as a Past Master because I feel it is one of the crucial elements to the survival of this lodge. I also take personal pleasure and pride in updating and redesigning the Trestleboard into a more readable and email-friendly format, again to very supportive response.

We've initiated 3 new Brothers into the lodge this year. Brothers James Rangel, Parrish Salyers and Philip Schaberl; one of which, Brother James, has already been passed to the degree of Fellow Craft. Further, it's been my extreme pleasure and honor to raise to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason, my great friend, Brother Michael Madura, whom I brought into lodge and this coming year will join the officer line as Junior Deacon.

I've been saddened and honored to have given 2 Masonic Funeral Services this year. Although one wasn't actually a member of this lodge, he was still a Brother, just one of a very similar name. Finding this out moments before the service was about to begin, we of course performed the service, the family was none the wiser and we were able to Masonically send the Brother peacefully to his final resting place.

The other service was for a Past Master of our lodge, WB Gerry Baker, whom I had never met but about which I got the chance to hear many an interesting tale.

Regardless of whether we were able to give the Memorial Service or not to all the Brothers who passed this year, they will all be missed.

On a lighter note, we held several events during the year including the Past Master's dinner where previously missing libations were enjoyed. We marched in the St. Patrick's Day Parade, held a summer family picnic where food was enjoyed and games were played by all. Well, except for a certain 57-year member who shall remain nameless and wouldn't join in any of our games. We mixed up a bit of tradition with our Tailgate Steak

Dinner for our return from darkness in September and also had a delightful Wives and Widows Tea. We had many wonderful and engaging Fellowship Nights, from book night at a diner to our own tour through a local Denver brewery. We also have our upcoming Children's Hospital visit to deliver toys and supplies and have supported quarterly Bethel Pancake breakfasts to coincide with some of these events. We also invited youth members of the DeMolay and Job's Daughters to offer fantastic presentations at our meetings for our education.

All in all, Brethren, I think this has been an exciting year for South Denver and as I said, I can't take full credit for all of it, but I am damn proud it happened during my year.

With that, it comes down to acknowledging everyone who helped make this year such a success. First, to my family. My father who instilled in me what it is to be a good man even though he never was a Mason. My wife, Jennifer, through whose patience and understanding and coordination of many frenzied child exchanges, I have been able to devote more time to the lodge and get here on time. And my children, who have been mostly patient and supportive of Papa going off to another lodge meeting/practice/finance committee meeting/templeboard meeting, etc. I look forward to taking more time to spend with them in the coming year.

Then, to the Past Masters. Particularly, to WB Matte Simmons, who brought me into lodge and helped set me on the path to where I am standing today. Yet, also to all the Past Masters, too numerous to name, whose whispered counsel was indeed always timely and wise. To the immediate Past Masters who I watched sit here in the East as I came up the line and from whom I learned so much.

To my officers, who may have been small in number but were grand in their support. They continue the proud tradition of excellence in ritual and work in this lodge. And I think I must have had just about the best Senior Warden I could possibly have ever had in Brother Curt Lipkie. He was way better than I was as Senior Warden. Always there to help and frequently on top of things I hadn't even thought to ask for yet. My Junior Warden, Brother Todd Warburton did an outstanding job with the refreshments, going above and beyond especially with the Past Master's dinner and being the Tailgate Grill Master. Brother Andrew Shnackenberg, who has been thrust so far forward in line from becoming a Master Mason straight to Senior Deacon, has handled himself with maturity and determination. To my Junior Deacon, WB Bryant Harris, who stepped into what was supposed to be a temporary seat and ended up staying there all year. My Tiler, Brother Bill Milnor, who has continued to run this lodge and all its parts with efficiency and grace and was always there with a supportive word. WB Rusty Keithline, our Chaplain and WB John Warren, our Treasurer, your continuance in these roles is a testament to your dedication and the respect you hold in this lodge. To MWB Gerry Ford, who started this year as my Secretary and from whom I've learned so much, and to WB Bryan Schultz, who graciously and effectively stepped in to fill those big shoes.

And finally, to our newest Masons. Brothers who've joined this lodge (a couple who just walked in off the street and sat down to dinner with us). They have joined this lodge with a fervency and zeal to seek out light. These guys have it. I hear it in their conversations and I see it in their eyes. Their new energy will carry this lodge forward in the coming years.

I look forward to taking my place on the sidelines and watching this lodge move forward and continue on.

Thank you, all.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott E Olson,
Worshipful Master 2014
South Denver 93