



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 www.SouthDenver93.org



Greetings from the East...

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

CALENDAR – April 2015

April 1 – Lodge Visit To:

Idaho Springs #26
210 17th Avenue, Idaho Spring
Dinner: 6:30 pm
Lodge: 7:30 pm

April 7 – Stated Communication

Dinner 6:30 – Beef Stroganoff
Ladies and Guests Invited
Lodge opens 7:15
“Math, Nature, and Masonry, Part 2”
Presented by Brother Michael Madura
Ladies Program at 7:15 – Jennifer Olson
“The Art of Personal Presence”

April 14 – Officers Practice – 6:00 pm

All Masons welcome

April 21 – Stated Communication

Dinner 6:30 – Chicken Parmesan
Lodge opens 7:15
Balloting on Bylaws amendments
“What Makes the Individual:
Nature or Nurture?”
followed by roundtable discussion

April 28 – Fellowship Night

Time and place to be announced
All Masons welcome

To the Brethren of South Denver,

It is the human condition of man to want more, to acquire more, and to be the possessor and master of the material things that surround him. This is not a bad condition of man that we all share, for it is the drive that allows us to support ourselves, our families, and provide for the relief of others. But at some point in our lives, we start to appreciate the finer points of life and the things we choose to do and possess, where quality is as just as important as quantity.

It is interesting that the words “quality” and “quantity” sound so similar to our ears, and differ in spelling by only a few letters, yet their meanings are so divergent to a thinking mind. We make conscious and unconscious decisions every day between picking quality versus quantity, be it what we eat, or how we spend time with our loved ones. How we make these decisions of quality versus quantity is a major factor that defines us as individuals.

When it comes to Masonry and our Lodges, do we make any “quality versus quantity” tradeoffs? Of course we do. We say that we “guard well the West Gate” and only accept good men into the Fraternity, yet the pressing and ever present question that dogs Masonic conversations in Lodge and Grand Lodge is “how do we get more Masons?”. It looks like we want to have our cake and eat it too, having quality and quantity. But does it always work out well that way? Are we making Masons, or just more members of the Lodge? The future of Masonry hangs in the balance.

Every Lodge works diligently to put together the best program each year for its members, filled with dinners, speakers, commemorations, picnics, ball games, parades, youth groups, and activities to get those valuable points to receive Honor Lodge recognition. Sometimes we become obsessed with doing just too much, and worrying about entertaining our members with quantity of activities. Maybe we should judge ourselves on the number of individual moments in Lodge when a Brother silently says to himself “Aha! I think I get it, this is meaningful to me.” How many quality moments do we really have in Lodge? How many quality moments have you had?

Quantity is easy to measure and count, but quality is a measure more judged by a thinking mind, such is the mind of a Mason. Be sure to spend your Masonic time wisely, be it in Lodge, over a cup of coffee with a Brother, or those supporting moments with a Brother who is having challenges in his life. We can all use a little quality time.

Fraternally yours,

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

Officers for 2015

Curtis A. Lipkie	Worshipful Master
S. Todd Warburton	Senior Warden
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Message from the West...

April’s a win-win-win kind of month. April 22 is Earth Day. What started as a national protest in the United States in 1970 has become a global tradition and an international celebration of nature and our need to protect it. The idea for Earth Day came from former Wisconsin senator Gaylord Nelson, who was inspired by the anti-Vietnam War “teach-in” demonstrations that brought awareness to the American public. He wanted to create a similar level of awareness for the plight of our planet and the reckless pollution and environmental misuse by nations and corporations.

It took Nelson less than a year to organize the first Earth Day, which was observed by an astounding 20 million people in rallies held across the U.S. It had an immediate impact. By the end of 1970, the U.S. saw some of its first major political efforts in ecology, including the founding of the Environmental Protection Agency.

More importantly, the Earth Day movement would spread around the world. By 2014, over one billion people in more than 180 countries celebrated Earth Day through rallies, concerts, symposiums and even online gatherings on Facebook and other social media sites. Join in the celebration by attending an Earth Day event, planting a tree, collecting recyclables, or going for a walk and enjoying the beauty of nature that surrounds us all.

As you may know, I’m a bit of a sports enthusiast. That’s why I love April. It’s got two of my favorite big events in sports. At the beginning of the month there’s The Masters Golf Tournament (4/10-4/13). And if that weren’t enough, the regular season for Major League Baseball gets going in April, too. If you plan to play a little bit yourself, I hope the April showers don’t get in the way as you hit the links or diamond.

Happy Earth Day and Happy April!

Fraternally yours,
Todd Warburton, Senior Warden

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From whence he came...

...your Junior Warden

I was born in 1984 in Torrance, California. My father was a Captain in the Air Force, and my mother was a mainframe programmer for the Northrop Grumman corporation. During my formative years my dad transitioned from military service into defense contracting in the exciting field of aerospace. From a very young age, I was captivated by the final frontier of space and the amazing engineering and technical achievements that man had attained. My mother and father's full time jobs led to the lasting and positive impact that my maternal grandparents had on my upbringing. My mother's parents were from Argentina and immigrated when my mom was 6 years old.

During my youth I partook in soccer, baseball, Boy Scouts, and judo. In high school I was an active member of the Academic Decathlon team where I won multiple medals and commendations and developed a love for a variety of academic subjects and disciplines. I attended the University of Colorado at Boulder. I majored in Economics with a minor in Business Administration. I completed my Masters degree in Economics from the University of Colorado at Denver.

I have a career as a healthcare analyst with a specialization in data management and analysis. Prior to my current employment, I was employed by Denver Public Schools as a financial analyst. I also have worked in banking as an analyst and in sales. I look keenly to the future as our nation and our healthcare industries continue to grapple with the challenges and opportunities of caring for and improving the health of our citizens.

I met my girlfriend and the love of my life, Mallory Abramson, 2 years ago, and my only regret is not having done so sooner. We live together in Englewood, CO and both enjoy our lives in this wonderful state to the fullest. We are the proud owners of our 2 dogs, Ripkin and Spicoli. We are excited about our futures, and are eager to grow together as a family.

I became a Mason in 2012, and masonry is a new adventure in my life and I have more to learn and experience. It has been an incredibly enriching experience and I am eager to engage more with the fraternity and to grow as a man and a Mason.

Fraternally yours,
Andrew Schnackenberg, Junior Warden

Greetings from the South...

Brethren, as April approaches, and winter becomes spring, we witness growth and life in nature. We are experiencing warmer weather, and reengaging some of those activities that we set aside during the colder months. One of the questions I wanted to engage the brethren in as we enter the Spring season, is whether you keep a garden at home, and what you are growing or plan to grow in this year's season. When I was growing up I always helped my grandfather with his garden and enjoyed the delicious fruits of those labors with family and friends. I believe that we would be very pleased to discover the variety of wonderful fruits, vegetables, herbs, etc that the members of our lodge and our lodge family are growing. Taking this train of thought full circle to the role of the Junior Warden, I would be curious to know if there is enough interest from the brothers to create a lodge meal consisting of some of the items we're growing in our gardens. Perhaps we can arrange for a small farmer's market to share our garden's creations as well.

Fraternally yours,
Andrew Schnackenberg, Junior Warden

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
Thomas M. Laughlin	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
Ben Williams

% 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

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