Greetings Brethren All,

Have you heard or said the phrase “I think I’ll call it a day”? I’m fairly certain you have heard that or “Let’s call it a night” or, perhaps more pertinent, “There being no further labor to come before this lodge…” How about “Man, I can’t wait for this day to end!” Man rather arbitrarily assigns twenty-four hours to the period of planetary rotation, or a day. As Masons we speak of dividing our time for purposes of service, our profession, and rest and refreshment. In all this we apply somewhat imprecise measures of days, weeks, months, and years, with, of course, leap year. So, milliseconds, seconds, minutes, hours, days, weeks, months and years: to what end? There are certain natural occurrences that mark the passage of time: beginning morning nautical twilight, sunrise, sunset, civil twilight, nautical twilight, astronomical twilight, the equinoxes and other arcane events. There is one fact enjoined upon all of us by nature’s law: we can neither extend or reduce the time allotted to us, we cannot make time pass slower or more quickly, nor can we grant time to another, nor receive time as a gift from another. As children we may have wanted to hasten the arrival of a holiday, or a birthday that granted us a privilege, such as driving or dating. Perhaps we wanted to reach a milestone and finish our education. Each day we are granted is ours to use for the purpose, task, or recreation we choose, purposeful, indolent, frivolous, ineffectual, or exemplary. I challenge you to live purposefully, with a charitable heart and love for your brothers, exercising patience and temperance in your judgements, and honoring the spirit and purpose of our craft and practicing its virtues: Live an Exemplary Life.

Fraternally,

David L. Coberly
Grand Master of Masons in Colorado

Ecclesiastes Chapter 3, Versus 1 – 8 What Time Is It?

1 To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven:
2 A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted;
3 A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up;
4 A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance;
5 A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;
6 A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away;
7 A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;
8 A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace.
Calendar of Grand Lodge Events

Scheduled events are subject to change or cancellation and attendance may be limited due to ongoing public health orders. Please check with the host lodge to confirm events and availability.

Thu Jul 9, 2020

6pm Awards @ Montezuma Lodge No. 145

Video call: https://meet.google.com/hpt-qsxx-aks

Where: Dolores Community Center, 400 Riverside Ave, Dolores, CO 81323, USA

Riverside Ave., Dolores CO 81323 The event will be outdoors, bring your own folding chair please. Any questions please contact Roger Lawrence Secretary @ rjl@fone.net or 970-560-5070.

Sun Aug 9, 2020

12pm Awards Brunch @ Columbine Lodge No. 147

Where: 225 Acoma St, Denver, CO 80223, USA Description: Details to follow.

Sat Aug 15, 2020

All day Colorado Outdoor Lodge (COOL)

Where: TNT Ranch, 11157 Gypsum Creek Rd, Gypsum, CO 81637

Description: More details follow.

Thu Aug 20, 2020

12pm Cornerstone Meeker School

Where: 550 School St, Meeker, CO 81641, USA
A Few of President Abraham Lincoln’s Principles of Leadership

Though not a brother because he declined to become a Mason out of an abundance of caution lest he be perceived to use the Craft to advance is political ambition it was his intent to join the fraternity after leaving office. Sadly, it was not to be due to his untimely death. I have no trouble categorizing President Lincoln among those I refer to as Masons without aprons.

- Give your subordinates a fair chance with equal freedom and opportunity for success.
- When you make it to the top turn and reach down for the person behind you.
- You must set, and respond to, fundamental goals that move your followers.
- You must be consistently fair and decent, in both the business and the personal side of life.
- Stand with anybody who stands right. Stand with him while he is right and part with him when he goes wrong.
- Never add the weight of your character to a charge against a person without knowing it to be true.
- It is your duty to advance the aims of the organization and also to help those who serve it.
- If you once forfeit the confidence of your fellow citizens, you can never regain their respect or esteem.

“Education is that whole system of human training within and without the school house walls, which molds and develops men.”

Brother W.E.B. DuBois

“A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty.”

Brother Winston Churchill
If your lodge is having special events or activities please send the information to the Grand Master (grandmaster@coloradofreemasons.org) and the Grand Secretary (grandsecretary@coloradofreemasons.org) so that it can be included in the next edition of the newsletter.

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TIME TO RIDE

1ST ANNUAL IRON HORSE RIDE
SUPPORTS KIOWA MASONIC LODGE 116
SATURDAY AUG 15, 2020

START LOCATION
Newcomb House
10965 S. Pikes Peak Dr
Parker, CO 80138

END LOCATION
Kiowa Lodge 116
304 Pawnee Street
Kiowa, CO 80117

THE ROUTE

ALL RIDERS WELCOME!
SIGN-UP AT NEWCOMB HOUSE: 9AM
KICKSTANDS UP: 10AM
LUNCH & HANGOUT: 12PM on

$35 DONATION PER BIKE
$5 FOR 2ND RIDER
PROCEEDS SUPPORT KIOWA LODGE 116
MORE INFO AND OPTIONAL RSVP VISIT:
Facebook.com/Kiowa116

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE RIDE AT THE KIOWA LODGE!
BURGERS/BRATS/CHIPS/SODA  FREE SWAG  MUSIC AND CORNHOLE  TOUR THE MASONIC LODGE
COLORADO MASONS - SPREAD THE WORD ON YOUR SOCIAL MEDIA, AND WITH YOUR FRIENDS AND ACQUAINTANCES ABOUT A NEW WEBSITE ABOUT

Your Grand Lodge Office has been operating remotely in accordance with the directives of the governor’s office and Colorado Department of Health and Environment. Beginning on or about May first the office will begin a phased approach to normal operations with staff alternating times in the office and working remotely at other times to maintain separation and social distancing. Please respect the health and safety of the office staff by not visiting the office in person at this time.