From the Desk of the Grand Master

Greetings Brethren All,

Let us be thankful that the month of May brings with it an easing of some of the restrictions we have endured due to COVID-19. Let us also be wary of resuming a normal routine when the pandemic is very much ongoing. There are positive trends for which we all are grateful, but the number of cases and fatalities continues to grow across the jurisdiction. We need to continue to diligently practice social distancing and follow the guidelines set forth to wear masks, frequent hand washing, continue to stay at home and evaluate your activities based on whether they are necessary as opposed to desirable. To quote a Past Grand Master of this jurisdiction “There is no such thing as emergency Masonry”. I assure you no one is more anxious to resume the normal Masonic activities than I am. I continually monitor the data available regarding the virus from multiple sources and review information and directives from the White House task force, the governor of Colorado, and the Colorado Department of Health and Environment. Freemasons have weathered many storms, the craft has waxed and waned in popularity, nothing has or will ever supplant it in the hearts and lives of the true practitioner.

I am encouraged by the number of lodges making use of digital meeting spaces to conduct education and meet informally. Brothers are enjoying conversations and interacting despite the constraints we are under. Look around and find a meeting to join or start a conversation of your own. There are numerous topics suitable for a non-tiled setting but relevant to the craft. Test your knowledge, share your views, learn and teach a topic you find of interest.

May the Supreme Architect of the Universe guide and protect us, our families, and our nation as we strive to overcome the trials we face.

“A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity”. Proverbs 17:17, K.J.V.

Fraternally,

David L. Coberly
Grand Master of Masons in Colorado
Calendar of Grand Lodge Events

All events are subject to cancellation or change based on health agency recommendations and government restrictions due to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19).

Mon Jun 15, 2020

All day Blue Lodge Night at the Denver Consistory

Where: 1370 Grant St, Denver, CO 80203, USA
Description: More details to follow

Tue Jun 16, 2020

6:30pm OV @ Northglenn Lodge No. 194 & Boulder No. 14

Where: 2255 Lake Ave, Thornton, CO 80241, USA
Description: 6:30 pm Dinner 7:30 pm Open Communication RSVP to Jason Roberts Secretary of Northglenn Lodge by Tuesday, June 9th, 2020 @ northglenn194secretary@gmail.com or @ 303- 503-9571.

Wed Jun 17, 2020

6:30pm OV & Awards @ Idaho Springs Lodge No. 26

Where: 210 17th Ave, Idaho Springs, CO 80452, USA
Description: 6:30 pm Dinner 7:30 pm Lodge Meeting RSVP to Bill Skewes @ bill@skewes.com or @ 303-674-4141.
Effect of Pandemics on Freemasonry

Brethren, here are some articles that our Deputy Grand Master found regarding how the Spanish Flu affected Freemasonry.
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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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. Thank you.