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Office of the Grand Master

Team to Team

“Tell Each Available Mason To Teach Each Available Mason”

Office of the Grand Master

First allow me the opportunity to thank the entire jurisdiction for the vote of confidence by electing me to the most important position of your Most Worshipful Grand Master.

It is indeed an honor and pleasure for me to accept this position and to say to you, thank you. It is my desire that with the help of the Almighty I will do the best job that I am capable of doing.

However, I can not do it by myself. Your assistance will be requested and appreciated.

I have chosen as a theme, Team to Team, (Tell each available Mason to teach each available Mason). Communication is the key.

If everyone is apprised of what is going on and are being kept informed, things will be accomplished with little or no confusion.

A well informed person is a knowledgeable person. Rumors and Gossip can destroy any good foundation.

To prevent rumors this administration has decided to publish a monthly Newsletter.

The News Editor is *PM Russel Smith and his staff consists of PM Wayne Scott, PM Shadrack Thomas, PM Jerry Bowen and Bro. Bruce Anderson.*

These Brothers will keep you informed of all happenings within the jurisdiction and elsewhere concerning Masonry and things of interest.

We have also turned the Information Officer position into the capable hands of *PM Jay Douglas Vaughn-Harris.*

If you or your organization are sponsoring an event or would like to place information that would be of interest to our organization please feel free to contact *PM Vaughn-Harris at 303-320-0075.*

In the past I have been informed that the jurisdiction needs a way to prevent Lodges, Chapters and other Masonic bodies from having events on the same day.

We have put in place an Administrative Assistance to maintain a Calendar of Events. *PM Nathan Matthews* has accepted this responsibility.

He has been given permission to place the calendar in Rocky Mountain Lodge #1. When you decide on a date to have a function please call *PM Matthews at 303-329-8948* to verify that the date is open and he can place your function on the calendar.

Hopefully this will elevate some of the scheduling problems we have had in the past. Please remember that we have numerous organizations within our Masonic family and sometimes double scheduling just can not be prevented, especially during the summer months.

Thank you for your assistance with the fund raiser that *PM Van Harvey* and his Ways and Means staff put on during the holiday season. With your help the committee was able to raise \$1,416.30 after paying the bills for supplies and mailings.

It was noticed that some Lodges did not put forth the effort that was hoped that they would bring our total profit up to the expected amount.

Office of the Grand Master (continued)

The following is a list of the lodges and the amount turned in.

#1	\$110
#2	230
#4	\$150
#5	\$0
#6	\$25 Donation
#7	\$220
#12	0
#20	0
#26	\$1,050
#27	\$1,035



I want to thank all that took part and ask that you continue to support the efforts of this administration.

Our next fund raiser is the Bus Trip to New Mexico for Four Corners. The bus will be leaving on March 25, 2010 from Denver. The next stop will be at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Colorado Springs and on to Pueblo. The bus will return to Colorado on Sunday March 28, 2010. More information will be coming out soon.

My first Visitation will be held in Utah from January 28 until January 30.

While in Utah the Staff and I will visit the Grand Lodge of Utah (AF&AM) annual session and our two Lodges, High Marine #12 and Mount Ogden #20.

We are looking forward to the trip and the visit with our brothers in the Utah area. We have been told that **DDGM Cooper** will have some surprises in store for us.

Every year the Grand Lodge awards scholarships to deserving students.

The amount given has always been questioned by our members. The Grand Lodge Officers, elected and appointed have been divided into 3 sections with the task of raising funds to add to the scholarship funds.

We are hoping that these funds raised will allow each recipient to receive a few dollars more. Southern Colorado chair person is **DGM Art De Los Reyes**, Northern Colorado & Wyoming chair person is **RWJGW Charlie Flowers** and **DDGM Cooper** is the chair person for Utah.

Please give these Brothers your full support for a worthwhile cause.

On a sad note, the jurisdiction lost one of our beloved members during this period, **MWPGM Walter R. Roberts** was involved in an auto accident. He will be missed by all.

PMWGM Roberts was a caring humble man that was God fearing. Western Star #6 has lost a very good member, one who participated in all aspects of Masonry. The Grand Lodge sends our prayers to his family.

On November 6, 2009 our Grand Lodge was invited by Highland Lodge (AF&AM) to attend the annual visitation of their Grand Master.

I am happy to say that we attended a wonderful dinner and open meeting with our spouses and had a wonderful time.

Our attendees included 4 Most Worshipful Past Grand Masters, **MWPGM's Gray, Sauls, Osborne and Blue**. Elected officers present were **DGM De Los Reyes, SGW Jackson, GL Moore and I**.

There were representatives from Lodges #1, #4, #7, #26 and #27. The total number that accompanied me was 36 which included some wives and significant others.

Once again I would like to thank you for your vote of confidence and ask that you assist me in helping to make the Jurisdiction one of the best throughout Masonry.

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Office of the Grand Deputy Grand Master Arturo De Los Reyes

Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master Arturo V. De Los Reyes was born November 15, 1952 to the marriage of the late Martin De Los Reyes and the late Flossie Bradford. He graduated from Phineas Banning High School in Wilmington, California. After high school, he served in the U.S. Army for 24 years and retired as a First Sergeant. RW Deputy Grand Master De Los Reyes was raised as a Master Mason in Willie H. Dixon Military Lodge #143 in September 1982 in Wiesbaden, Germany.

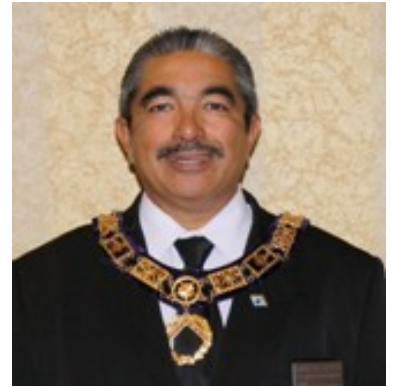
In 1994 he was awarded the Degree of Craftsman from Master Silver Smith, Robert Zachary Jr., of Gallop, New Mexico. He earned an Associates Degree in General Education from Troy State University and a Bachelor Degree in Applied Management from National American University. RW Deputy Grand Master De Los Reyes is considered a worker bee and has continued to be active in the Prince Hall Masonic Fraternity. He served as the Worshipful Master of Mountain Post

Military Lodge #26 during the year 2003. He is charter member and Past Excellent High Priest of Randall A. Baker Chapter #2 Holy Royal Arch Masons, a member of Pikes Peak Consistory #81 AASR, and charter member of Prince of Peace Commandery #2 K.T. He served as the Illustrious Potentate of Kadesia Temple #135 during the year 2001 and as Imperial Deputy of the Oasis of Colorado Springs AEAONMS 2004-2008.

He currently holds the office of Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter, Holy Royal Arch Masons of Colorado and Jurisdictions and as the Very Eminent Grand Recorder of Colorado Grand Commandery Knights Templar. In 1986, he received the Honorary Past Eminent Commander's Degree from Casa Del Sol Grand Commandery of New Mexico. In 1996, he received the "Legion of Honor" award from the Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He earned the coveted "Noble of the year Award" from Kadesia Temple #135 during the

years 2000 and 2002. Mountain Post Military Lodge #26 awarded the "Lodge of the Year" in 2003 under his leadership as Worshipful Master. He was recognized as the Sir Knight of the Year for the year 2003-2004 from the Colorado Grand Commandery Knights Templars. In 2005, he was coronate as a Grand Inspector General, 33rd Degree, in the Northern Jurisdiction of the AASR. In 2005, he received an award for Outstanding Service as Imperial Deputy of the Oasis of Colorado Springs from Imperial Potentate Dr. Ralph Slaughter AEAONMS. In 2006, he was promoted to the Honorary Rank of Past Eminent Grand Commander of the Colorado Grand Commandery Knights Templars PHA.

RW Deputy Grand Master Arturo V. De Los Reyes has been blessed in marriage to Rose A. Almeyda-De Los Reyes for 32 Years. They are the proud parents of 4 children and 9 grandchildren.



Office of the Grand Senior Warden Terence Jackson

In our first edition of this news letter I would like to thank the Brethren for electing me as your RWSG-W and I look forward to serving our great fraternity.

In February 1978 Terence joined the United States Army served at Fort Lee Virginia, Nellingen Germany, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, Fort Polk, Louisiana, Grafenwoher, Germany and Fort Carson, Colorado.

In September 1998, after serving over 20 wonderful years he retired from the Army at the rank of First Sergeant.

Terence started his Masonic travels in 1991 at John H. Sewell Military Lodge #23 in Grafenwoher Germany, he was exalted in Wallace W. Washington Chapter #46, elevated in John L. Grant Consistory #364, dubbed in Anthony E. Bowens Commandery U.D., and created in Thebes Temple

#208. Terence has continued to be actively involved in the Masonic Fraternity; he is a Past Potentate of Kadesia Temple #135, now serving as the Imperial Deputy of the Oasis of Colorado Springs, Past Most Excellent Grand High Priest & Past Most Eminent Grand Commander of Colorado and Its Jurisdiction, PHA, Terence received his 33rd and last degree in ancient craft Masonry in 2001.



Office of the Grand Junior Warden Charlie Flowers

Charlie L. Flowers - raised to the sublime degree of a master mason in England 1969 under the jurisdiction of Maryland.

Past Master 1980 under the jurisdiction of Washington.

Elevated to the 32nd degree 1976.

Received the 33rd and last degree 1980.

Since becoming a member of Colorado and its jurisdiction, I have served as chairman of Jurisprudence Committee, appointed as Senior Deacon, elected as Grand Lecturer and currently Junior Grand Warden.



Grand Lodge Awards

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Master Mason of the Quarter—Bro. Tom Lewis
Past Master of the Quarter—PM Nathan Mathews
Worshipful Master of the Quarter—WM Vance Garner
Most Worshipful Past Grand Master of the Quarter -
MWPGM Terrence Neal and MWPGM Raymond Black
Grand Lodge Appointed Officer of the Quarter—PM Calvin Thornton
Grand Lodge Elected Officer of the Quarter—Keith Weston

Bro. Tom Lewis has worked on two special projects to include pins and shirts for the Grand Lodge.

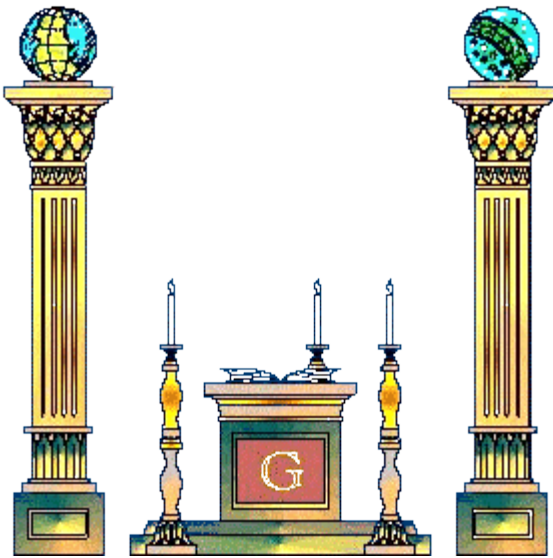
PM Nathan Mathews for his work with the Calendar of Events

Worshipful Master Garner for his outstanding efforts on both the St. Johns and Prince Hall Celebrations.

MWPGM's Neal and Black for the hard work on the Zenith Lodge Project.

PM Calvin Thornton for his outstanding efforts and support to the Grand Master during the busy month of October when the Grand Master had four official events to attend.

RW Grand Secretary Keith Weston for his outstanding work on the 2009 proceedings.



Office of the Grand Worthy Matron Annette Harris



Annette S. Harris was born December 14 in Chicago, Illinois. Graduated from School DuSable High School in Chicago, Illinois.

Married William B. S. Harris (Deceased) June 14, 1959. Two sons, William B. S. Harris, Jr., and Dwayne C. Harris, two grandsons, Aaron and Miles Harris and one granddaughter, Danielle Clark.

Employment - Chicago Public School Administration Secretary. Moved to Denver where I continued employment at Lowry Air Force Accounting and Finance Center. Remained at Lowry from 1973-1998.

Community - The Retired Enlisted Association (TREA) Chapter 3 Auxil-

iary serving now as President. Bingo Games Manager. Feeding Program for the homeless.

Fraternal - Joined King David Eastern Star Chapter #90 (Chicago, Illinois) in 1961. Demitted to Queen of the South Chapter #11 in 1975, served as Worthy Matron. Joined Aswan Court #152, Daughters of Isis in 1971 in Frankfort, Germany. Demitted to Syrian Court #40 in 1976, served as Illustrious Commandress in 1995. Joined Mountain and Plains Assembly #49, Order of the Golden Circle and served as State Grand Loyal Lady Ruler.

Charter member of Josephine F. Brown Court #21, Missouri Jurisdiction in 1981 which is now #1 Colorado

Jurisdiction. Served as Most Ancient Matron and received Honorary Past Most Ancient Grand Matron while in the Missouri Jurisdiction in 2001. Elected as Grand Worthy Matron of Columbine Grand Chapter in 2008.

Religion - A dedicated member of Jordan AME Church. Serving on the Senior Usher Board, Lay Organization, and Class Leader.