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Look toward your community in this the holiday time. Their need is great and your ability to help massive.



# From the East

W∴B∴ Christopher Wm. Scott, Worshipful Master

To: Wardens, Line Officers, Worshipful Brothers, Brethren and friends of Albert Pike Lodge.

Tidings from the East,

It saddens me that this is my last message to you as Master of the Lodge; the year truly did slip by quickly. In retrospect I am satisfied with our accomplishments in this the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year of Masonry in Colorado. However, time passed so quickly, I am disappointed to say I did not find the time to accomplish all of my goals. My hope though is that I leave the East with the Lodge more superior than when we began the year.

I am pleased to see our new members and Masons, honorable, upstanding men all, begin their journey in Masonry on the right foot. I am satisfied that they have been given the tools to succeed, shown the correct path to travel, and truly given an opportunity to succeed and grow. We've accomplished many activities in our community and have several more yet to participate in throughout the year. I'd like to personally thank all of the Brethren that have participated in and facilitated these activities, without you and your dedication to Albert Pike Lodge we couldn't have accomplished such great works. I urge you all to continue in the coming years to help the Lodge become a standing force for good in our community.

I thank you all for the overwhelming honor of electing me Worshipful Master of your Lodge. While the task was sometimes arduous I enjoyed every moment. I wish the incoming Master the best of luck in the challenges and responsibilities that await him. I am confident that the officers coming through the line are capable and prepared and I wholeheartedly look forward to the successful future of Albert Pike Lodge.

Looking forward to meeting you on the level, Sincerely & Fraternally,

W:B: Christopher Wm. Scott

Worshipful Master Albert Pike Lodge No 117

# **Tidbits & News**

### News

### Education

### .. Brotherly Love & Relief

Brethren are invited to come to our regular practice and education at 4:30pm on the second and fourth Wednesdays of every month. We will be meeting an hour and a half prior to dinner and staying late after stated meetings to practice the work. Some meetings may be omitted due to other activities so look to the <a href="Lodge Calendar">Lodge Calendar</a> for more up to date information.

### **Tidbits**

### .. Brotherly Love & Relief

We have received unfortunate notification that several Brethren have fallen seriously ill. Please keep your Brethren in your prayers and remember that a simple phone call can make a world of difference to a Brother in need.

Members recently received a report via email on several Brethren that have fallen ill. The report contains contact information for these Brethren. If you needed any more motivation I would suggest you read "Sick Joke" on page 5 below.

### .: Class Act

Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup> Albert Pike Lodge will be assisting Byrne Urban Scholars in setting up their Class Act event. We will be gathering in the lobby at the Ritz-Carlton, Denver at 12 noon. Friends and family are welcome to join you. For more information or to RSVP please contact Bro. Jay Allen (JSteward@AlbertPike117.com) (720) 933-1092. Thank you to Bro. Charles Rhoades for this opportunity to help out.

### .. Canned Food Drive

Albert Pike Lodge continues its Canned Food Drive through December. Please remember to bring non-perishable items to the next two meetings. For more information please contact Bro. Bill Busby (Tiler@AlbertPike117.com) (303) 929-3063.

### .. Thanksgiving Turkeys & Food Baskets for the Hungry

Monday, November 21st Albert Pike Lodge will be assisting the Volunteers of America once again with their turkey and food basket giveaway. Volunteers of America are quite appreciative of the work we've done for them in the past and we'd like another great year with a huge turnout to support this wonderful cause.

We will be meeting at eh same place as years past. The event will be held on Monday, November 21st at 8:30am. The doors will open at 9:00am and we'll be busy, busy, busy until about noon!

If you would like to join us as a volunteer you will need to RSVP to Bro. Dan McCune (SWarden@AlbertPike117.com) before November 10th and be at the location by about 8:30am on the 21st. Family and friends are invited and encouraged to participate! Information:

Volunteers of America 2877 Lawrence Street - Denver, CO 8:30—noon

SWarden@AlbertPike117.com (303) 513-8597

Family members and friends are invited to participate.

For more information please contact Bro. Dan McCune



### Poetry

Remember, you are a Mason.

-Author Unknown

When the pressures of recession Make us concentrate on greed, Take heed, a worthy Mason Cares about another's needs;

Don't let pressures of the moment Make your obligation sway, Stop and help a fallen brother Or another by the way;

What you give is like a bubble
Whenever you assist,
What it costs in time and trouble
Is, soon after, never missed;

Brother, bear that obligation You accepted on your knee, It's in direct relation To your own security;

Never hesitate, my brother Square your actions now and say, "I'll remember I'm a Mason, "And behave like that today;"

"With regard to human kindness And the 'Golden Rule', I pray, I'll remember I'm a Mason... And behave like that today."

# Wednesday Nov.9<sup>th</sup> 2011

1926<sup>th</sup> Stated Communication Proficiencies as Required Dinner at 6pm – Open at 7pm Business Meeting Close

### Wednesday Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> 2011

1927<sup>th</sup> Stated Communication 108<sup>th</sup> Annual Communication Dinner at 6pm – Open at 7pm Business Meeting Annual Communications Annual Memorial Close

# Saturday Jan. 7<sup>th</sup> 2011

109<sup>th</sup> Annual Installation of Officers Begins at 12 Noon Dessert and Coffee to Follow Friends and Family Welcome

### Wednesday Jan. 11<sup>th</sup> 2011

1928<sup>th</sup> Stated Communication Dinner at 6pm – Open at 7pm Proficiencies as Required Work as Required Business Meeting Close

# **Committees**

Grievances

Dan McCune

Randy Speer

**Finances** 

Jay Allen Richard Murray

Chris Rogers

**Illness & Visitation** 

All Lodge Members!

**Funeral** 

**Attendance** 

All Lodge Members!

**Masonic Education** 

Christopher Scott

Steven Leflar

Jay Allen

### Welfare & Charity

Christopher Scott
Dan McCune
Jay Allen

# Widows & Orphans

Dean McConnell Sam Wittner, P.M. James Oliver, P.M. Randy Speer

### **Scholarships**

Stephen Parce, P.M. Dave Parce, P.M.

### **Blood Bank**

Samuel Wittner, P.M.

Memorial Roll

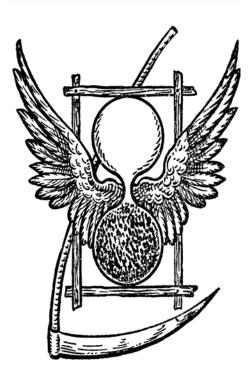
We are sad to report that we have one Brother who has passed to the Celestial Lodge above.

# W.B. Donald E. Mentzer

Past Master of Albert Pike Lodge No 117 1977 & 1993

Born: Sept. 17, 1932 Raised: March 25, 1971 Died: Oct. 6, 2011

May our prayers be with our Worshipful Brother and his family.



# **Directors of the Work**

Entered Apprentice Degree Fellow Craft Degree Master Mason Degree Chris Rogers Jay Allen Dan McCune

# **Posting Mentors**

**Entered Apprentice Degree** 

Steve Leflar Christopher Scott

**Fellow Craft Degree** 

Jay Allen Chris Rogers

Master Mason Degree

Bill Busby Virgil Martinez Randy Speer



# **Fee for Degrees**

EA: \$60 FC: \$20 MM: \$20 = \$100.00

### Yearly Dues

Albert Pike: \$17.00 2011 Per Capita Dues: \$42.00 Total: \$59.00



### Social Media & Internet

Like us on Facebook to stay up to date on everything happening with Albert Pike Lodge!



Follow us on Twitter to get daily/weekly updates on Lodge events and news!



Visit the Lodge Calendar as much as possible to find out times and dates of Lodge events.



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Webmaster

W. Bro. Christopher Scott

Social Media Coordinator Bro. Jay Allen



# **Past Masters 117**

Emerson R. Bails	1959	David R. McDaniel	1990
TBA	1960	David R. McDaniel	1991
TBA	1961	Fran Mance	1992
TBA	1962	Donald E. Mentzer	1993
TBA	1963	Robert R. Swope	1994
TBA	1964	John A. Myers	1995
James T. Bayer	1965	Stephen T. Parce	1996
TBA	1966	Curtis L. Sorensen	1997
TBA	1967	Douglas K. Parce	1998
TBA	1968	James W. Dusch	1999
TBA	1969	James M. Desmond	2000
TBA	1970	John A. Myers	2001
TBA	1971	Stephen T. Parce	2002
TBA	1972	James W. Oliver	2003
TBA	1973	Robert R. Swope	2004
TBA	1974	Edward F Charter	2005
TBA	1975	David Parce	2006
TBA	1976	Keene Daiss	2007
Donald E. Mentzer	1977	James Oliver	2008
Charles W. Johnson	1978	Herbert Akins	2009
Herbert E. Akins	1979	Robert R. Swope	2010
TBA	1980		
TBA	1981		
TBA	1982		
Fran Mance	1983		
Robert R Swope	1984		
Art Daniels	1985		
Samuel L. Wittner	1986		
Robert R Swope	1987		
James W. Oliver	1988		
James W. Oliver	1989		

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Donald R. Harlan	1971	James W. Dusch	1986
Robert P. Biddinger	1972	Donald L Carpenter	1987
Neal A. Griffin	1975	Joseph E. Martinez	1988
Richard L.	1977	Joseph E. Martinez	1989
Charmichel	1978	David A. Petticrew	1990
Donald W. Cox	1980	Darenn P. Greening	1991
F.A."Jim" Petticrew	1981	Kurt P. Larson	1982
Walter E. Covey	1984	Herbert A. Krug	1993
Karl F. Biemel Jr.	1985	Kurt P. Larson	1994
Herbert A. Krug			

# **Affiliated Past Masters**

Marshall H. Dean, P.G.M. William S. Wallace Stanley C. Warner Arthur H. Crow Ellis Latimer, P.G.M. 1962 Eric Lubeck Harper M. Orahood, P.G.M. William Fullerton Charles H. Jacobson Orin E. Milburn, Sec. Emeritus Gene Anderson Dean Corbin

# **Honorary Members**

\* Deceased

\*Clarence Bartholic, P.G.M. \*Albert E. Jameson, P.M., P.G.L. Walter E. Covey, P.M. R. Keith Milheim P.G.M. \*George L. Behen, P.M.

# **Past Grand Masters**

\*Glenn B. Van Fleet, P.G.M. (1958)

### Sick Joke

"Old Tiler Talks" By Carl Claudy (1879-1957)

"I never saw much point in this joke about 'sitting up with the sick,'" began the New Brother to the Old Tiler, "but since I joined the lodge I do. I used to think it was a pretty idea; that a lodge member should sit up with a sick brother seemed real brotherhood. Now I find we don't so I see the joke."

"Do you, now! How keen is your sense of humor?" answered the Old Tiler. "Who told you we didn't sit with our sick friends?"

"Why, no one. But if we did, I'd have heard of it, wouldn't I?"

"Depends on the length of your ears. Yesterday I tried to buy a hat. The salesman showed me one and said it was twenty-five dollars. I asked him where the holes were. What holes?' he asked. I told him I meant the holes for the ears of the jackass who would pay twenty-five dollars for that hat. If your ears are long enough, maybe you can hear about our sitting up with our sick friends. But I presume you are hard of hearing?

"In small towns a few decades ago, nurses were few. When a brother was sick we often sat with him, hand him water or medicine, doing what we could. In modern days there is less need for such help. But don't think we never do. Last month the Master called for volunteers to stay all night in a house where an old lady was dying. Our brother from that house was out of town. The old lady had a daughter and a nurse, but daughter was afraid to be alone. We had sixteen volunteers, and every night for a week two did their part. All they did was sit there and read, but who knows what comfort they were to that distracted daughter? The old lady finally died and in the day time. It looks as if what we did was wasted effort but the old lady might have died in the night. Our brethren were there to help if she did. The daughter knew her husband's brethren were within call so she slept secure in the protection Masonry threw about her.

"You say 'we don't sit up.' Don't confuse 'sitting up' with actually resting erect in a chair. No brother of this or any other good lodge is reported sick but he receives a call from Master, Wardens, chairman of the committee on the sick, or some brother. It makes no difference whether the brother is wealthy or poor; we see what we can do. Most members of the lodge are fairly prosperous citizens; able to look after themselves, but even so a sick member is human enough to value the interest the lodge takes. Knowing that his mighty brotherhood is anxious about him acts as a tonic. The sick man may be too ill to admit us to his bedside, but they tell him about it, and it heartens him.

"I was one visitor and a streetcar motorman was the other on duty last week. We visited an ill banker, president or director in half the companies in town. You never saw a man more pleased than Mr. Rich Man. He had us shown to his room and talked lodge and asked questions and wanted information about the fellows just as if lie was a poor man like the rest of us. He happens to be a real Mason as well as a

wealthy man. He wrote a letter to the Master and said our visit had done him more good than his doctor, and wouldn't he please send us or some other brethren again.

"I called on a sick brother too ill to see me. I saw his wife and his home and it was easy to see the brother needed help. He was too proud or his wife didn't know enough to ask for it. So I reported and we sent our own doctor and nurse and paid some bills and generally managed until the brother got well. He has paid back every cent, little by little, but he says he can never repay the kindness.

"Sitting up with a sick lodge member' may be a good alibi for the poker player; I don't know. I have read it in joke papers. But I never thought it funny, because I know how well Masonry does care for her sick, and how much it means to an ill man to have his brother take an interest in him. If you know any sick, tell us. If you hear of any, tell us. And if . . . Say, did you ever visit a sick brother?"

"I never had the chance," defended the New Brother.

"You mean you never made the chance!" countered the Old Tiler. "Will you go to the sick committee and ask for duty, or will I report your name for that duty to the Master? Or do you want to go on thinking it's a joke?"

"I got an earful, didn't I" responded the New Brother. "You tell me to whom to go!"