



Albert Pike Lodge No 117



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"The universal medicine for the Soul is the Supreme Reason and Absolute Justice; for the mind, mathematical and practical Truth; for the body, the Quintessence, a combination of light and gold." - Albert Pike

From the East W.:B.: Daniel R. McCune, Worshipful Master

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

Tidings from the East,

We are almost mid-way through this year and our Lodge is dark for the summer. This does not mean, however, a cessation of the work and activities at the Lodge. Earlier this month we initiated another candidate; my compliments to all that participated in the initiation, everyone performed their parts very well. As a result, the new Brother had a very meaningful experience. If you have not been to Lodge in a while and seen the recent quality of the degree work, I would highly encourage you to observe and experience this.

I regret to inform you that we did not receive enough volunteer support from our members to take advantage of the opportunity to work a booth at the Broncos' games to raise revenues for our Lodge. There is still be a limited opportunity which could still generate some funds for our Lodge so keep your eyes open for that and I encourage everyone to consider volunteering when asked. In light of our current revenues compared to our expenditures, I have appointed a committee to evaluate whether we need to raise dues to keep our Lodge financially healthy. I fully anticipate that we will experience some level of a dues increase based on the recommendations of that committee. If you have ever considered purchasing a perpetual membership, now would be a good time to do that before a dues increase raises the overall cost of a perpetual membership.

Don't forget to mark the upcoming Annual Masonic Picnic on your calendar. The Picnic will be held at Tony Grampsas Park on August 19th. The park is located at 44th Avenue & Salvia Street in Golden. I hope to see many of you there.

Please keep your eye on the trestleboard, Facebook page and for emails concerning upcoming Lodge events and degree work.

I hope you have a great summer.

Your humble servant,

W.:B.: Daniel R. McCune

Worshipful Master
Albert Pike Lodge No 117



News

∴ Dues

Several members still have yet to pay their dues for 2012. Brethren, please remember that the Lodge must pay your Per-Capita dues to the Grand Lodge regardless of whether you have remitted dues to us so paying on time is very important to the yearly budget. If you are financially unable to pay dues please contact the Secretary as we may be able to assist you!

∴ People's Fair

Thank you to all of the Brethren that came out to serve and support as the Lodge worked at the 2012 CHUN Peoples Fair to raise funds. Last year was quite lucrative for the Lodge and the feeling is that this year will be even better!



∴ Summer Break (Going Dark)

Summer break is here and Albert Pike Lodge will find itself dark from June through August. Many charitable events and gatherings are planned for the summer so be sure to visit our Facebook page regularly to stay up to date on all of the goings on!

If you find yourself craving that lodge experience during summer time remember that you can check the Grand Lodge website for a list of lodges that meet during the summer and do some sojourning! Most local lodges would be happy to have visitors.

∴ Masonic Family Picnic

Sunday August 19th Albert Pike Lodge will be relaxing and enjoying some great food and drink at the 2012 Masonic Family Picnic! This yearly event is a great opportunity for friends and family to gather and enjoy some great fellowship. The Lodge will pay for Members and immediate family if you RSVP to the Secretary before July 20th. Picnic will be held at Tony Grampas Memorial Park - 44th Ave & Salvia St, Golden CO
11:00am – 3:00pm
See Flyer below.

Don't Forget!

Masonic Picnic

Sunday, Aug. 19th

at 11PM

Have you paid your 2012 Dues?



Masonry might be many things to many men, but in the end it must be a transformative art designed and intended to enrich the lives of Masons. Freemasonry is not, by itself, a community service organization. It is an organization that improves, enriches, and enlightens its members; in doing so, it naturally enriches the community.

In order for Colorado Masonry to accomplish that goal, the Grand Lodge has committed its resources to the goals of a fulfilling Lodge experience and the personal educational and spiritual enrichment of our membership.

To that end, the Masonic Speakers Bureau continues as an asset to the members of Colorado Masonry.

Masons from the smallest to the largest of largest can no longer claim that resources or geographic location prohibit a quality Masonic experience and the best of Masonic educators and speakers. The Grand Lodge of Colorado has established a group of vetted speakers that can come to your Lodge. The Grand Lodge vets each speaker. Further, once a certified member of the Masonic Speakers Bureau, the vetted speaker can be requested through our Grand Lodge Website interface. The speaker will be notified and his travel expenses will be covered by the Grand Lodge so that smaller Lodges, struggling Lodges, or geographically isolated Lodges all have access to a large pool of quality speakers with little to no cost to them.

Grand Lodge Primer #1

Multiple Contributors and Authors

How many of us have had a Mason ask us a question for which we did not know the answer? How many men show up at the door of a Lodge today having read The Da Vinci Code and The Lost Symbol and seem to have learned more about Masonry from the internet than we have in our entire Masonic journey?

Several Masons have expressed a concern that, even when they try to find answers to some of the questions being asked, it is very difficult to sort out the true Masonic light from the half-truths and the uneducated guess.

In an effort to meet the needs of our members the Grand Lodge of Colorado has launched a set of Educational Primers. Each volume contains writings from grounded subject matter. There are excerpts and talking points to assist in generating quality Masonic discussion and education in your Lodge.

All the material contained in these primers has been reviewed for quality and usability.

Volume 1 consists of writings by:

Most Worshipful Brother Karl Hinkle
Grand Master of Masons in Colorado, 2012

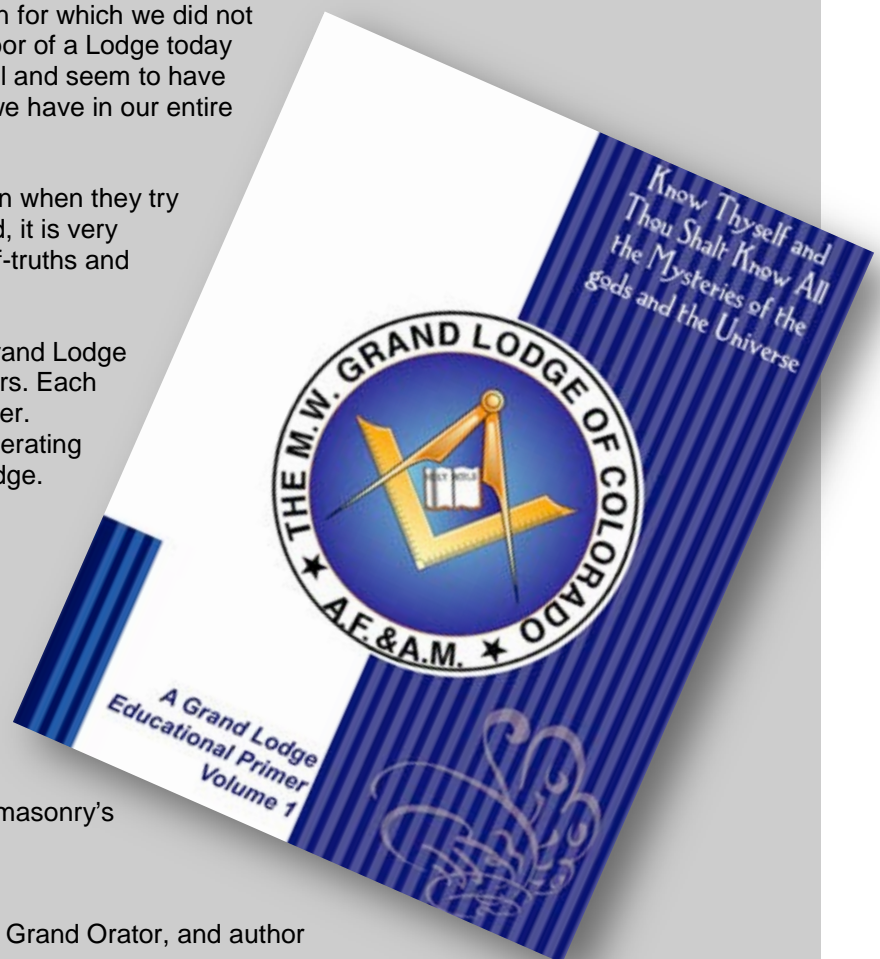
WB Robert Davis
Author of 'Understanding Manhood in America, Freemasonry's Enduring Path to the Mature Masculine'

WB Robert Herd
Publisher of Living Stones Magazine, 2012 Colorado Grand Orator, and author of 'The Initiatic Experience'

Michael Poll
The New York Times Bestselling writer and owner of Cornerstone Publishing, a Masonic author and historian, a Founding Fellow and President of The Masonic Society, a Fellow of the Philaethes Society, a Fellow of the Maine Lodge of Research and a contributor to Heredom, the publication of the Scottish Rite Research Society as well as many other Masonic and non-Masonic publications.

The topics include Rites of Passage, Initiation and Esotericism.

Each volume is sold separately and is available in either premium long lasting hardbound or paperback covers. The cost of Volume I is \$32.00 for the hardbound cover and \$20.00 for the paperback edition. Shipping is \$4.95 for each.



Hard Cover may be purchased here: https://www.paypal.com/us/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_flow&SESSION=oqI_9WLoGvrtDMkFpIMawbOu5s3WcQKsnn-t5g4mG7-fX-3Xuhta5tsN-6a&dispatch=50a222a57771920b6a3d7b606239e4d529b525e0b7e69bf0224adecfb0124e9b61f737ba21b081981856b91947e5c600b2b0863f9534cbec

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Wednesday July 12th 2012

No Meeting
Lodge is Dark

Wednesday July 26th 2012

No Meeting
Lodge is Dark

Wednesday Aug 9th 2012

No Meeting
Lodge is Dark

Sunday Aug 19th 2012

Shrine Masonic Picnic (RSVP)
Tony Grampsas Memorial Park
44th Ave & Salvia St
Golden CO
11:00am – 3:00pm

Wednesday Aug 23rd 2012

No Meeting
Lodge is Dark

Wednesday Sept 12th 2012

1938th Stated Communication
Dinner at 6pm – Open at 7pm
Business Meeting
Proficiencies EA
Close

Dinner & Opening times are subject to change. Please view the [Lodge Calendar](#) online for updated times.

Committees

Welfare & Charity

Dan McCune
Jay Allen
Chris Rogers

Grievances

Jay Allen
Randy Speer
Philipp Theune

Widows & Orphans

Dean McConnell
Sam Wittner, PM
James Oliver, PM
Richard Heath

Finances

Chris Rogers
Sam Wittner, PM
Philipp Theune

Illness & Visitation

All Lodge Members!

Scholarships

Stephen Parce, PM
Dave Parce, PM

Masonic Education

Christopher Scott, PM
Jay Allen

Memorial Roll

We are pleased to report that the lodge has not received notice of any Brothers who passed to the Celestial Lodge above.



Director of the Work

Jay Allen

Posting Mentors

Entered Apprentice Degree

Steve Leflar
Christopher Scott, PM

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

2012 Yearly Dues

Albert Pike:	\$17.00
2012 Per Capita Dues:	\$46.00
Total:	\$63.00



Social Media & Internet

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



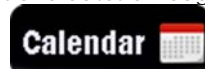
www.facebook.com/albertpike117

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



<http://twitter.com/#!/AlbertPike117>

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



<https://www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=p7e7mt0h51abi4lp5e1ndtms34@group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America/Denver&gsessionid=OK>

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Herbert E. Akins 1979	James W. Dusch 1999
Fran Mance 1983	James M. Desmond 2000
Robert R Swope 1984	John A. Myers 2001
Art Daniels 1985	Stephen T. Parce 2002
Samuel L. Wittner 1986	James W. Oliver 2003
Robert R Swope 1987	Robert R. Swope 2004
James W. Oliver 1988	Edward F Charter 2005
James W. Oliver 1989	David Parce 2006
David R. McDaniel 1990	Keene Daiss 2007
David R. McDaniel 1991	James Oliver 2008
Fran Mance 1992	Herbert Akins 2009
Robert R. Swope 1994	Robert R. Swope 2010
John A. Myers 1995	Christopher Wm. Scott 2011

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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.	Harper M. Orahood, P.G.M.
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Ellis Latimer, P.G.M. 1962	Gene Anderson
Eric Lubeck	Dean Corbin

Honorary Members

Walter E. Covey, P.M. R. Keith Milheim P.G.M.

Past Grand Masters

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

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Bro. Virgil Martinez

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W. Bro. Christopher Scott, PM

Social Media Coordinator

Bro. Jay Allen



The following was composed by Bro Robert McCorkle and posted by him to a popular Masonic Blog. We include it here in hopes to show everyone how our lodge's renewal and dedication to education can impact our newly initiated Brethren. We wholeheartedly thank Bro Robert for his insightful and kind words.

Learn About Freemasonry

by Robert J. McCorkle

(Albert Pike Lodge #117 AF&AM in Beautiful Denver, CO of the US of A)

I've just become a Mason, or as it is apparently said, "Freemason", and I'm excited to come forth seeking knowledge specifically found in the symbolism and minds of the Master Mason, especially that of the York Rite, as well as the fraternal trust of good men and the focus on becoming better men.

As for me specifically, a better man of God - though I fully understand Masonry is not a religion.

I have seen much ridicule, and though it's not a religion, the fact that the purpose of Masonry is to repurpose ourselves and our lives as better men for the day we go to heaven, I can see where it is easily skewed in many ways by those who have not sought its true meaning.

I fought with myself over the decision to even show interest in the craft since even my own religion has many suggesting against it - but as with anything in life, if you don't find out for yourself and attempt to find a true meaning, you may miss out on something that is truly wonderful and has been and will be a virtue of men for eons to come.

It can be said that you need nothing else other than the Bible, but if others seeking the craft were persuaded away by reasons for religion, I'd ask what is the need to learn to speak a language, or learn history, or understand the meaning and math behind triangles, or seek a meaning to life?

My point is, if you've come across this site seeking answers as I am seeking additional education in the basics of Masonry, then know that the journey of a Mason can be your own and additionally fulfill answers and eventually perceptions which you can learn and decide for yourself.

I'd suggest if you're seeking points of Masonry for reasons of faith, to ensure you have a solid understanding in your faith before seeking the fraternity so you aren't confused. If you have a solid understanding of your faith and want to add to it, I've found that education of Masonry can only add knowledge and provide an opportunity for me personally to gain my own perception and translation of many things in life, including my faith.

Eventually, I look forward to learning Greek and Hebrew so that I may take all these things and translate original texts for myself. In the mean time, I'm tasting a fire hose of knowledge as I'm learning the craft and am excited for my journey!

Lastly, I'd like to thank the gentlemen of my lodge for a truly fulfilling and humbling experience when I became a Mason. I know I made the right decision the day I was initiated. I'm proud to be a part of such a chivalric group of professional and trustworthy men that exist to leave a mark on the world as good men with the purpose in life of making other good men.

To those potential brothers looking, I'd suggest to find a good lodge that has a strong practice (you'll know) in Masonry that may provide you a fulfilling and educational experience as a Mason. If you're handed a manual and asked to come back when you're ready, I would ask that you come visit us at Albert Pike (lodge). Not to discredit any other lodge, but I shopped around myself, and I'm glad I did. There again, I found what was right for me and I encourage others to find what's right for them.

Colorado Masonic Family Picnic



Sunday, August 19

11:00 – 3:00

**Tony Grampas Memorial Park
44th Avenue & Salvía Street
Golden**

*Lunch Served at 11:30
UNTIL FOOD RUNS OUT*

Menu: hamburgers, hot dogs, baked beans, potato salad, corn on the cob, dessert, beer, pop, water and more!

Games and Prizes for Kids of All Ages!

Bring your own lawn chairs

TICKETS: Advanced Reservations: \$5.00 At the Picnic: \$7.00 (Children under 6 are free!)

- ~ Includes food and drink ~ ~ No tickets will be issued ~ ~ Check-in at the gate ~
- ~ Ticket holders will receive a hand stamp at the ticket table upon arrival at the Park ~
- There will be no comps for this event; all are expected to purchase tickets**

Colorado Masonic Family Picnic Reservations

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE AND MAIL TO:

**El Jebel Shrine
4625 West 50th Avenue
Denver, CO 80212**



Name _____ Phone _____

Number of Tickets: _____ @ \$5.00 # of children under 6 _____

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Colorado in association with East Denver Lodge No. 160 presents:

Date: September 22nd, 2012

Time: 6:30 pm - 10:30 pm

A Lodge of Instruction with Andrew Hammer, author of *Observing the Craft: The Pursuit of Excellence in Masonic Labour and Observance*.

W.B. Andrew Hammer, Past Master of one of the world's most historic Masonic lodges (Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22), is a renown author and lecturer. His celebrated book, *Observing the Craft: The Pursuit of Excellence in Masonic Labour and Observance* is a manifesto of sorts for the observant Mason, who seeks quality over quantity in every aspect of Masonry.

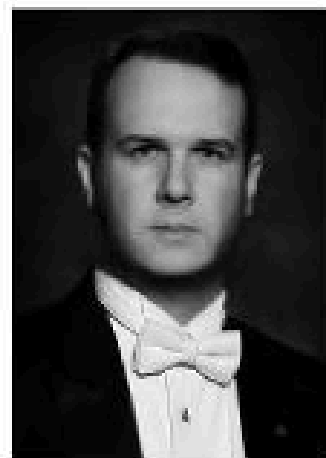
It is a stringent argument for the Symbolic (Blue) Lodge as the *ne plus ultra* of the Craft, asking that Masons put actions behind their statements that 'nothing is higher than the third degree.'

It is a book that calls for nothing but the utmost personal effort and commitment to be put into the operation of a Masonic Lodge, and the experience of a Masonic meeting, in search of the transformational experience which Masons define as 'making good men better'.

This event is part of our ongoing education & research series and is open to all Freemasons E.A. and higher. Tyled Lodge opens at 6:30 pm, with our customary Agape Feast and discussion to follow. Seating is limited.

Please email rsvp@eastdenver160.com with your name and the number in your party to assure a reservation. Open to Masons only.

Suggested donation 10 dollars.



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