The Most Excellent Grand Chapter
Of Royal Arch Masons
Of Colorado

PROCEEDINGS
Of the
143rd ANNUAL CONVOCATION

Alfred C. Ulibarri
Most Excellent Grand High Priest
September 8, 2017
OFFICERS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER
OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF COLORADO
2016-2017

ELECTIVE OFFICERS

M:∴ E:∴ Alfred C. Ulibarri (42) .......................................................... Grand High Priest

1756 Kittredge Ct. Aurora, CO 80011

R:∴ E:∴ Donald E. Nichols (39).............................................................. Grand King

5123 Yates Pl. Broomfield, CO 80020

R:∴ E:∴ Karl J. Hinkle (6)................................................................. Grand Scribe

12569 Rockbridge Cir. Colorado Springs, CO 80921

R:∴ E:∴ Steven L. Hubbard (8)......................................................... Grand Treasurer

13142 St. Paul Dr. Thornton, CO 80241

R:∴ E:∴ Robert W. Gregory (11)....................................................... Grand Secretary

3213 Lochwood Dr. Ft. Collins, CO 80525

APPOINTED OFFICERS

E:∴ Joe E. Kier (22)............................................................................ Grand Chaplain

9247 W. Arizona Ave. Lakewood, CO 80232
E.: Michael L. McMillan (3).......................... Grand Lecturer
   56 Amhurst Ave. Pueblo, CO 81005

E.: Mark Martin (15).......................... Grand Captain of The Host
   11065 N. State Hwy 135, Almont, CO 81210

E.: Darin Roen (2).......................... Grand Principal Sojourner
   11453 Marlborough Dr. Parker, CO 80138

E.: Barry Nightingale (6).......................... Grand Royal Arch Captain
   8315 Laurelwood Ln. Colorado Springs, CO 80919

E.: Nicholas A. Newby (29).......................... Grand Master Third Veil
   2477 S. High St. Denver, CO 80210

E.: Robert D. Elsloo (47).......................... Grand Master Second Veil
   517 Broadway St. Sterling, CO 80751

E.: Rick Haskell (6).......................... Grand Master First Veil
   7285 Sagebrush Dr. Parker, CO 80003

E.: Ronald Domenick (42).......................... Grand Sentinel
   5131 Raleigh St. Denver, CO 80212

E.: Robert C. Trezise (10).......................... Grand Musician
   P. O. Box 134, Red Cliff, CO 81649
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The 143rd Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Colorado was held on Saturday September 8, 2017 at the Doubletree Stapleton North Hotel, 4040 Quebec Street, Denver, Colorado. The Companions of Triad Chapter #42 Royal Arch Masons opened the Grand Chapter on the Royal Arch Degree at 8:00 am in regular form and received Most Excellent Companion Alfred C. Ulibarri, Most Excellent Grand High Priest, who was escorted to the East, given Grand Honors and invited to preside. The remaining Grand Chapter Officers were then received and as they were introduced took their respective stations and places.
Donald E. Nichols ................................................................. R.E. Grand King

Karl J. Hinkle................................................................. R.E. Grand Scribe

Steven L. Hubbard................................................................. R.E. Grand Treasurer

Robert W. Gregory............................................................. R.E. Grand Secretary

Joe E. Kier........................................................................ Ex. Grand Chaplain

Michael L. McMillan............................................................. Ex. Grand Lecturer

Mark Martin........................................................................ Ex. Grand Captain of Host

Darin Roen........................................................................ Ex. Grand Principal Sojourner

Barry Nightingale................................................................ Ex. Grand Royal Arch Captain

Nicholas A. Newby............................................................. Ex. Grand Master Third Veil

Robert D. Elsloo............................................................ Ex. Grand Master Second Veil

Rick Haskell...................................................................... Ex. Grand Master First Veil

Ronald Domenick................................................................. Ex. Grand Sentinel

Robert C. Trezise ............................................................... EX. Grand Musician

The Grand High Priest thanked the Companions of Triad Chapter No. 42 for a fine opening and after introductions excused them to sit on the sidelines. He then closed Triad Chapter No. 42 in ample form and opened the 143rd Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Colorado.

INTRODUCTION OF YORK RITE PRESIDING OFFICERS
The following Companions were escorted into the Chapter Room and introduced.


ROLL CALL OF GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS

A roll call of the Grand Chapter Officers followed with the following responding:

Most Excellent Grand High Priest .........................................................Alfred C. Ulibari
Right Excellent Grand King .................................................................Donald E. Nichols
Right Excellent Grand Scribe ..............................................................Karl J. Hinkle
Right Excellent Grand Treasurer ..........................................................Steven L. Hubbard
Right Excellent Grand Secretary .........................................................Robert W. Gregory
Excellent Grand Chaplain .................................................................Joe E. Kier
Excellent Grand Lecturer .................................................................Michael L. McMillan
Excellent Grand Captain of the Host ..................................................Mark Martin
Excellent Grand Principal Sojourner ..................................................Darin Roen
Excellent Grand Royal Arch Captain ..................................................Barry Nightingale
Excellent Grand Master of the Third Veil ..........................................Nicholas A. Newby
Excellent Grand Master of the Second Veil……………………………………Robert D. Elsloo
Excellent Grand Master of the First Veil……………………………………….Rick Haskell
Excellent Grand Sentinel …………………………………………………………..Ronald Domenick
Excellent Grand Musician……………………………………………………….. Robert C. Trezise

PRELIMINARY REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Your Committee on Credentials reports that there are more than nine (9) Chartered Chapters in this jurisdiction represented at this One Hundred and Forty First Annual Convocation as required by Section 9 of the Constitution and Laws of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Colorado. Thereby permitting the Grand Chapter of Colorado to conduct its official business.

I move the acceptance of this report.

Respectively Submitted,

/S/ Mike Brewer, Chairman

Mike Brewer

THE REPORT WAS RECEIVED AND ACCEPTED
ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Most Excellent Grand High Priest Ulibarri declared the ballot open for the election of officers of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Colorado for the 2017-2018 year. The ballot will be open until 12:00 Noon.

INTRODUCTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

The following Companions were escorted into the Chapter Room and introduced.

MI Roy A. Snyder, Immediate Past Grand Master of Cryptic Masons, Colorado
MI Ralph E. Newby, MIGM, Colorado
RE Robert D. Elsloo, Grand Commander, Colorado
ME William Hardy, Grand High Priest, Prince Hall
Randy Downey, Grand High Priest, California
Ben Williams, General Grand Chapter Ambassador
ME Joe Kier, General Grand Chapter Trustee
ME Brad Huffman, PGHP, Montana and Deputy Grand High Priest, NW Region
ME James H. Hodge, General Grand Chapter High Priest
Gene Hatfield, Grand COH, Iowa
E Dennis Taylor, Grand Chaplain, Kansas
E Reed Fanning, Grand Master 3rd Veil, Utah
E James L. York, Grand Master 2nd Veil, Kansas
INTRODUCTION OF LIVING PAST GRAND HIGH PRIESTS OF COLORADO

IN ATTENDANCE

The Most Excellent Past Grand High Priests of Colorado were escorted into the Chapter Room and introduced to those in attendance:

Most Excellent Companion Harry A. Peterson----------------------------------------------1976-1977
Most Excellent Companion Michael E. Hessel----------------------------------------------1997-1998
Most Excellent Companion Dale Young-----------------------------------------------------2002-2003
Most Excellent Companion David L. Salberg-----------------------------------------------2004-2005
Most Excellent Companion Joe Kier----------------------------------------------------------2008-2009
Most Excellent Companion Ricky Benish-----------------------------------------------2010-2011
Most Excellent Companion Ronald D. Garrett-----------------------------------------------2011-2012
ROLL CALL OF LIVING RECIPIENTS OF
THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL

The Most Excellent Grand High Priest called upon the Grand Secretary for a roll call of the
Living Recipients of the Distinguished Service Medal.

Frank A. Cancino---------------------------------------------------------------1979
Antonio G. Quintana----------------------------------------------------------1984
Marion L. Hall---------------------------------------------------------------1987
Ralph E. Lacy---------------------------------------------------------------1991
R. Roger Stene--------------------------------------------------------------1995
Lance E. Barron--------------------------------------------------------------1998
Leon E. Sonksen--------------------------------------------------------------1999
Jack Herald---------------------------------------------------------------2005
Robert F. Hamill-------------------------------------------------------------2008
Donald T. Harris-------------------------------------------------------------2009
Harry Peterson-------------------------------------------------------------2011
R. Bruce Koons-------------------------------------------------------------2013
ROLL CALL OF CONSTITUENT HIGH PRIESTS

Central City Chapter No.1-----------------------------Joe Kier
Denver Chapter No. 2--------------------------------Jared Minter
Pueblo Chapter No.3--------------------------------William Goodman
Georgetown Chapter No.4-----------------------------Roy A. Snyder
Golden Chapter No. 5--------------------------------Lee Miller
Colorado Springs Chapter No. 6--------------------Rick Haskell
Keystone Chapter No. 8----------------------------Alan DeGeorge
Leadville Chapter No. 10--------------------------Joseph Edwards
Cache La Pouder Chapter No. 11--------------------Paul Stutzman
South Pueblo Chapter No. 12-----------------------Dexter Koons
Greeley Chapter No. 13----------------------------Aaron Heizer
Freemont County No. 14-----------------------------Lyle Wilkes
San Juan Chapter No. 15-----------------------------------------------Peter DuMont
Salida Chapter No. 17-----------------------------------------------Kevin Hintz
Trinidad Chapter No. 23---------------------------------------------Robert Steele
Grand Junction Chapter No. 24---------------------------------------Ronald Franklin
Akron Chapter No. 26-----------------------------------------------Terrell Sumner
Colorado Chapter No. 29--------------------------------------------Bruce Lawlor
Oriental Chapter No. 32---------------------------------------------Les Weisenhorn
Delta Chapter No. 38-----------------------------------------------Chad Rilling
Highlands Chapter No. 39--------------------------------------------Wade Hampton
Triad chapter No. 42-----------------------------------------------Jason Spigner
Sterling Chapter No. 47---------------------------------------------Cecil Souders
Henry Teller Chapter No. 57------------------------------------------Melvin Boll

ROLL CALL OF CONSTITUENT SECRETARIES

Central City Chapter No. 1..........................................................Stephen P. Davis
Denver Chapter No. 2..............................................................Ronald Birely
Pueblo Chapter No. 3...............................................................Ralph Newby
Georgetown Chapter No. 4......................................................Stephen P. Davis
Golden Chapter No. 5.............................................................Randy Penn
Colorado Springs Chapter No. 6..............................................David L. Reynolds
Keystone Chapter No. 8..........................................................Aaron Heizer
Leadville Chapter No. 10.......................................................Robert Tresize
Cache La Poudre Chapter No. 11………………………………………..Robert W. Gregory
South Pueblo Chapter No. 12.....................................................Ralph Newby
Greeley Chapter No. 13...............................................................Alan DeGeorge
Freemont County Chapter No. 14.............................................Dwight Wilson
San Juan Chapter No. 15.............................................................David Wilson
Salida Chapter No. 17.................................................................Ronald D. Garrett
Trinidad Chapter No. 23..............................................................John S. Albert
Grand Junction Chapter No. 24...............................................James E. Erickson
Akron Chapter No. 26...............................................................Charles G. Johnson
Colorado Chapter No. 29........................................................Grover L. Sardeson
Orient Chapter No. 32...............................................................Garth L. Nieschburg
Delta Chapter No. 38...............................................................Jeffrey Cyriacks
Highlands Chapter No. 39..........................................................John Francis
Triad Chapter No. 42.................................................................Ronald Birely
Sterling Chapter No. 47...............................................................Harry A. Peterson
Henry Taylor Chapter 57...........................................................James W. Glasscock

REPORT OF THE GRAND REPRESENTATIVE CHAIRMAN
GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASON'S OF COLORADO
SEPTEMBER 8, 2017
To the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Colorado:

The office of the Grand Representative Chairman reports that he has made the following changes to the Grand Representative list as we have experienced many resignations and new assignments:

We have openings to fill for Grand Representatives to the following:


The Foreign Jurisdictions of Argentina, Estonia, Greece, Japan, Switzerland, Togo, Africa,

And Venezuela.

Also, the country of Monaco has been eliminated as they no longer have any Masonic Bodies

Respectfully and Fraternally Submitted:

/s/ Donald E. Weiser

Grand Representative Chairman
ROLL CALL OF THE GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

A roll call of the Grand Representatives followed:

Grant Sanders (2)...........................................................................Alabama
Richard N. Brown, MEPGHP (2&39).................................................. Alaska
Michael L. McMillan (12)................................................................. Arizona
Richard P. Mitchell (23).................................................................. Arkansas
Burney W. Brandel (42).................................................................. California
Alan DeGeorge (8).................................................................Connecticut
Aaron Heizer (13).......................................................................... Delaware
Michael E. Hessel MEPGHP (42)....................................................District of Columbia
Robert W. Gregory (11).................................................................. Florida
H. Jack Ward (16)............................................................................ Georgia
Bruce E. Lawrence (2).................................................................Hawaii
Alan DeGeorge (8)............................................................................ Idaho
Jerry R. Rice (5).............................................................................. Illinois
Ronald D. Garrett, MEPGHP (17)...................................................... Indiana
Leon E. Sonksen, MEPGHP (3).......................................................... Iowa
Jason Spigner (42).......................................................................... Kansas
Dexter D. Koons (12)......................................................................Kentucky
Calvin O. Lapuyade (5)..................................................................... Louisiana
Peter D. DuMont, MEPGHP (15)...................................................... Maine
David L. Reynolds (6) .................................................................................. Maryland
Cecil Souders (47) .................................................................................... Massachusetts
Jack D. White (8) .................................................................................... Michigan
Harry A. Peterson, MEPGHP (47) ............................................................. Minnesota
Richard S. Carnett (24) ........................................................................ Mississippi
Joe W. Summers (5) ................................................................................. Missouri
M. Scott Wilson, MEPGHP (38) ................................................................. Montana
Alan DeGeorge (8) .................................................................................. Nebraska
Aaron Heizer (13) .................................................................................... Nevada
Vacant .................................................................................................. New Hampshire
Dexter D. Koons (12) ................................................................................ New Jersey
Wesley L. Campbell (5) ............................................................................ New Mexico
George S. Cann (6) .................................................................................. New York
Dean S. Hopkins (6) ................................................................................ North Carolina
Burney W. Brandel (42) ......................................................................... North Dakota
Dwight W. Wilson (4) .............................................................................. Ohio
Michael L. McMillan (3) ...................................................................... Oklahoma
George A. McCollum, Jr. (10) ................................................................. Oregon
Leon E. Sonksen, MEPGHP (3) ................................................................. Pennsylvania
Burney W. Brandel (42) ......................................................................... Rhode Island
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Richard P. Mitchell (23).....................................................Arkansas
Burney W. Brandel (42).....................................................California
Alan DeGeorge (8)............................................................Connecticut
Aaron Heizer (13)............................................................Delaware
Michael E. Hessel MEPGHP (42).........................................District of Columbia
Robert W. Gregory (11).....................................................Florida
H. Jack Ward (16)..............................................................Georgia
Bruce E. Lawrence (2).......................................................Hawaii
Alan DeGeorge (8)............................................................Idaho
Jerry R. Rice (5)...............................................................Illinois
Ronald D. Garrett, MEPGHP (17)........................................Indiana
Leon E. Sonksen, MEPGHP (3)...........................................Iowa
Jason Spigner (42).............................................................Kansas
Dexter D. Koons (12)...........................................................Kentucky
Calvin O. Lapuyade (5)......................................................Louisiana
Peter D. DuMont, MEPGHP (15).........................................Maine
David L. Reynolds (6)........................................................Maryland
Cecil Souders (47) .............................................................................................. Massachusetts
Jack D. White (8) .............................................................................................. Michigan
Harry A. Peterson, MEPGHP (47) .................................................................... Minnesota
Richard S. Carnett (24) .................................................................................. Mississippi
Joe W. Summers (5) .......................................................................................... Missouri
M. Scott Wilson, MEPGHP (38) ........................................................................ Montana
Alan DeGeorge (8) ............................................................................................ Nebraska
Aaron Heizer (13) ............................................................................................ Nevada
Vacant ................................................................................................................ New Hampshire
Dexter D. Koons (12) ........................................................................................ New Jersey
Wesley L. Campbell (5) .................................................................................... New Mexico
George S. Cann (6) ............................................................................................ New York
Dean S. Hopkins (6) ........................................................................................ North Carolina
Burney W. Brandel (42) .................................................................................. North Dakota
Dwight W. Wilson (4) ........................................................................................ Ohio
Michael L. McMillan (3) ................................................................................ Oklahoma
George A. McCollum, Jr. (10) .......................................................................... Oregon
Leon E. Sonksen, MEPGHP (3) .......................................................................... Pennsylvania
Burney W. Brandel (42) .................................................................................. Rhode Island
Ross A. Allen (38) ............................................................................................ South Carolina
Wilson C. Moulton (6) .................................................................................... South Dakota
Mark W. Ralston ................................................................................................ Tennessee
Gilbert C. Carlton (29) ..................................................................................... Texas
James F. Norris (5) ........................................................................................................ Utah
Jon A. Wilkinson, MEPGHP (11) ................................................................................ Vermont
Michael L. McMillan (12) ........................................................................................ Virginia
Greg Harris ( ) ......................................................................................................... Washington
Bruce J. Lawlor (29&8) .......................................................................................... West Virginia
Vacant .................................................................................................................. Wisconsin
Jon A. Wilkinson, MEPGHP (11) ............................................................................ Wyoming

CANADIAN PROVINCES

M. Scott Wilson, MEGHP (11) ............................................................................... Alberta
James E. Erickson, MEPGHP (38) ........................................................................ British Columbia & Yukon
Jerry N. White, Jr. (3) ............................................................................................ Ontario
Charles M. Baum (8) ............................................................................................. Manitoba
Rodney W. Johnson, MEPGHP (16) ........................................................................ New Brunswick
Michael Joines (14) ............................................................................................... Newfoundland & Labrador
Jerry N. White, Jr. (3) ............................................................................................. Nova Scotia
Peter D. DuMont, MEPGHP (15) ............................................................................ Quebec
George S. Cann (6) ................................................................................................ Saskatchewan

FOREIGN JURISDICTIONS

Vacant ................................................................................................................ Argentina
Steve L. Mudd (8) ................................................................................................ Austria
Michael D. Rowen (42) ........................................................................................ Belgium
Dexter D. Koons (12).................................................................Brazil
Robert W. Gregory (11).........................................................Cypress
Vacant..............................................................................Estonia
Ronald D. Garrett, MEPGHP (17)........................................Finland
Thomas G. Frerichs (42).......................................................France
John Davis (5)......................................................................Greece
Gregory M. Allen (38)...........................................................India
Wesley L. Campbell (5)........................................................Ireland
Leon E. Sonksen, MEPGHP (3)..............................................Israel
Robert W. Gregory (11)........................................................Italy
Greg Harris (8).....................................................................Japan
Michael P. Rowan (42).......................................................Mexico US
Michael P. Rowan (42)........................................................Mexico GC
Robert D. Elsloo (5).............................................................Netherlands
Larry E. George (8)...............................................................New South Wales & Australian Cap. Territory
M. Scott Wilson, MEGHP (38)...............................................New Zealand
Gerald R. (Jerry) Dodd (57)....................................................Panama
Kevin Hintz (17)..................................................................Paraguay
Richard P. Mitchell (57).......................................................Portugal
Charles M. Baum (8)...........................................................Queensland
Lyle A. Wilkes (39).................................................................Republic of Philippines
Roy A. Snyder (42)...............................................................Romania
Joe E. Kier, MEPGHP (42).....................................................Scotland
Most Excellent Companion Al Ulibarri congratulated them for their hard work.

BALLOT

The allotted time for balloting having expired, MEGHP Ulibarri declared the ballot closed. He asked the tellers to have a report after the lunch break.
Alfred C. Ulibarri
Most Excellent Grand High Priest
2016-2017

Report of Tellers Committee

The following Companions have been elected as officers of The Grand Chapter of Royal
Most Excellent Grand High Priest Elect Ulibarri made the following appointments to the officer Line of The Grand Chapter of royal Arch Masons of Colorado for 2017-2018:

Ricky L. Benish (19)…………………………………………………………Grand Chaplain
Michael L. McMillan (3).…………………………………………………….Grand Lecturer
Barry Nightingale (6)………………………………………………...Grand Captain of the Host
Nicholas A. Newby (29)…………………………………………………Grand Principal Sojourner
Robert D. Elsloo (47)…………………………………………………….Grand Royal Arch Captain
Rick Haskell (6)…………………………………………………………Grand Master 3rd Veil
Chad Rilling (38)…………………………………………………………Grand Master 2nd Veil
Kevin D. Hintz (17)…………………………………………………………Grand Master 1st Veil
Robert C. Trezise (10) ………………………………………………………Grand Musician

**APPROVAL OF PREPRINTED REPORTS**

Most Excellent Grand High Priest Ulibarri called for a motion to approve the preprinted.

Motion passed.

**CORRESPONDANCE COMMITTEE**

No Report

**AMERICAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

No Actions Taken
MEMBERSHIP RETENTION COMMITTEE

Companions,

The Membership Retention Committee was committed in 2017 to creating and promoting new methods of recruitment throughout Capitular Masonry. To this end, the members of the committee spent time promoting membership efforts within Chapters as part of the Grand Chapter’s Official visits throughout the state.

In addition to discussing localized membership growth and retention efforts. The Chairman of the committee worked with Colorado Chapter #29 to create the Colorado Chapter #29 York Rite Chapter Program. The purpose of this program is to isolate the 4 Capitular degrees into short descriptions to be performed by members of a chapter when visiting a local Blue Lodge. The program is modeled after the Montana Program that encapsulates all York Rite degrees and presents them in an extensive and informative program. Colorado Chapter #29 along with the Membership Retention Committee performed this program for Liberty Lodge #134. Colorado Chapter #29 is committed to continuing this program and will be performing it at lodges throughout the downtown Denver area.

The Membership Retention Committee as attached this program and encourages chapters throughout the state to take up this initiative and perform the short parts at Blue Lodge meetings in order to develop interest in the York Rite and specifically in Capitular Masonry. Please contact the Committee, or Colorado Chapter #29 for details and instruction on the performance of this program. A copy of the program is attached.

Fraternally,
COLORADO CHAPTER #29 YORK RITE CHAPTER PROGRAM

MASTER OF CEREMONIES:

GOOD EVENING BROTHERS: We have come here tonight to give a short program about Chapter Masonry within the York Rite. The Chapter of Royal Arch Masons is the second body of York Rite in our Jurisdiction, with the Symbolic Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons being the first. The Council of Cryptic Masons and the Commandery of Knights Templar follow the Chapter. Again, since Symbolic Lodge is the first body of the York Rite, all Masons are already York Rite Masons. Those of you that have not joined the Chapter, Council and Commandery have not completed your York Rite journey and are not currently in possession of many more valuable lessons and secrets. Parts of the story that you have learned through your Blue lodge that may seem incomplete are filled in throughout the several York Rite degrees.

(Public Presentation Non-Masons) Those of you that are not yet Masons will be introduced to a small part of the mysteries and lessons that are taught within our Fraternity, and we hope you will enjoy this look in, and are happy to answer questions and introduce you to more of our Craft if you are interested.

Tonight, we will present some of the characters and degrees you will see in the Chapter.

The Chapter consists of four degrees. Through these degrees we see the Building, Completion, Dedication, and Destruction of the Temple. We are given lessons regarding our character as Masons and our duties to God and to Man. Throughout we are reminded of the importance of that guiding light, the Holy Bible, and the necessity to continue to prepare ourselves for usefulness, and towards being accepted into the Holy of Holies above.

COMPANION; WHO IS REPRESENTING ONE OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE WORK OF KING SOLOMON'S TEMPLE, WILL INTRODUCE YOU TO THE First DEGREE of Mark Master.

MASTER OVERSEER: (SLEEVES ROLLED UP, HOLDING A SQUARE)

GOOD EVENING BROTHERS. Welcome to the Temple, please be careful, we're not yet finished with the building. I'm a Master Overseer, given that title and duties by King Solomon. King Solomon has put in place a number of checks to ensure that every piece of work is in fact good work, and that those completing the work are paid accordingly. King Solomon has selected certain fellowcrafts who have distinguished themselves by their industry, skill, and fidelity and made them Mark Masters. These Mark Masters complete nearly every piece of work for the
Temple. It's my job then to inspect the work, to be sure it will fit the builders use. If their work is approved, they can receive wages. Recently, we have had a number of grumblings within the Temple. We had an imposter attempt to draw wages, which were not due to him. We even lost a very valuable piece of work upon which the completion of the Temple depended! Most recently, we had a dispute among the workmen over their wages. Luckily for us, we have had King Solomon to guide us safely, and he has reminded us of our duties, to each other, and to our Creator, reminding us, "The Stone which the builders rejected is become the head stone of the corner."

MASTER OF CEREMONIES: THE SECOND OF THE CHAPTER DEGREES IS THE PAST MASTER DEGREE.

COMPANION: WILL INTRODUCE YOU TO THIS DEGREE.

PAST MASTER: (SUIT OR SPORT COAT, TOP HAT, CARRYING A GAVEL)

GOOD EVENING, BROTHERS and Guests. In the degree of Past Master, we leave the time of King Solomon and return to the present day. Originally, when the Royal Arch was controlled by the Symbolic lodges, the Royal Arch degree was restricted to only Past Masters. This was done because it was thought that the degree was too important to confer upon all Master Masons. This restriction, although still observed today, greatly limited the reach of the important lessons taught in the Royal Arch Degree. Our tradition in the United States is to confer this degree of Virtual Past Master. By doing so we are able to impart upon you lessons known only to Past Masters, in order to prepare you to be invested with the sublime instruction of the Royal Arch. Our lessons touch on duties own to your lodge, should you be called to preside, and the duties the lodge owes to the chair. We also find additional inducement to remain faithful to our God, always remembering to meditate on that Great Light of Masonry.

MASTER OF CEREMONIES: THIS BRINGS US TO THE DEGREE OF MOST EXCELLENT

ROLL CALL OF THE GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

A roll call of the Grand Representatives followed:

Grant Sanders (2)........................................................................................................Alabama

Richard N. Brown, MEPGHP (2&39)................................................................................. Alaska
Michael L. McMillan (12)........................................................................... Arizona
Richard P. Mitchell (23)................................................................................ Arkansas
Burney W. Brandel (42).................................................................................. California
Alan DeGeorge (8)......................................................................................... Connecticut
Aaron Heizer (13).......................................................................................... Delaware
Michael E. Hessel MEPGHP (42)................................................................. District of Columbia
Robert W. Gregory (11).................................................................................. Florida
H. Jack Ward (16)............................................................................................ Georgia
Bruce E. Lawrence (2)..................................................................................... Hawaii
Alan DeGeorge (8)........................................................................................... Idaho
Jerry R. Rice (5).............................................................................................. Illinois
Ronald D. Garrett, MEPGHP (17)................................................................. Indiana
Leon E. Sonksen, MEPGHP (3).......................................................................... Iowa
Jason Spigner (42)........................................................................................... Kansas
Dexter D. Koons (12)....................................................................................... Kentucky
Calvin O. Lapuyade (5).................................................................................. Louisiana
Peter D. DuMont, MEPGHP (15)................................................................. Maine
David L. Reynolds (6)..................................................................................... Maryland
Cecil Souders (47).......................................................................................... Massachusetts
Jack D. White (8)............................................................................................ Michigan
Harry A. Peterson, MEPGHP (47)................................................................. Minnesota
Richard S. Carnett (24).................................................................................. Mississippi
Joe W. Summers (5)........................................................................................ Missouri
M. Scott Wilson, MEPGHP (38) ................................................................. Montana
Alan DeGeorge (8) ............................................................................ Nebraska
Aaron Heizer (13) ............................................................................. Nevada
Vacant ......................................................................................... New Hampshire
Dexter D. Koons (12) ........................................................................ New Jersey
Wesley L. Campbell (5) ..................................................................... New Mexico
George S. Cann (6) .......................................................................... New York
Dean S. Hopkins (6) ......................................................................... North Carolina
Burney W. Brandel (42) ................................................................. North Dakota
Dwight W. Wilson (4) ........................................................................ Ohio
Michael L. McMillan (3) ................................................................. Oklahoma
George A. McCollum, Jr. (10) ........................................................... Oregon
Leon E. Sonksen, MEPGHP (3) ........................................................ Pennsylvania
Burney W. Brandel (42) ................................................................. Rhode Island
Ross A. Allen (38) ........................................................................ South Carolina
Wilson C. Moulton (6) ..................................................................... South Dakota
Mark W. Ralston ........................................................................... Tennessee
Gilbert C. Carlton (29) ..................................................................... Texas
James F. Norris (5) .......................................................................... Utah
Jon A. Wilkinson, MEPGHP (11) ..................................................... Vermont
Michael L. McMillan (12) .............................................................. Virginia
Greg Harris () ............................................................................. Washington
Bruce J. Lawlor (29&8) ................................................................. West Virginia
Vacant ......................................................................................... Wisconsin
Jon A. Wilkinson, MEPGHP (11)............................................................. Wyoming

CANADIAN PROVINCES

M. Scott Wilson, MEGHP (11)............................................................... Alberta
James E. Erickson, MEPGHP (38).........................................................British Columbia & Yukon
Jerry N. White, Jr. (3)........................................................................... Ontario
Charles M. Baum (8)........................................................................... Manitoba
Rodney W. Johnson, MEPGHP (16)..................................................... New Brunswick
Michael Joines (14)........................................................................... Newfoundland & Labrador
Jerry N. White, Jr. (3)......................................................................... Nova Scotia
Peter D. DuMont, MEPGHP (15)........................................................ Quebec
George S. Cann (6)........................................................................... Saskatchewan

FOREIGN JURISDICTIONS

Vacant............................................................................................. Argentina
Steve L. Mudd (8)........................................................................... Austria
Michael D. Rowen (42)........................................................................ Belgium
Dexter D. Koons (12)........................................................................ Brazil
Robert W. Gregory (11).................................................................... Cyprus
Vacant............................................................................................. Estonia
Ronald D. Garrett, MEPGHP (17)...................................................... Finland
Thomas G. Frerichs (42).................................................................... France
John Davis (5) ............................................................... Greece
Gregory M. Allen (38) .................................................... India
Wesley L. Campbell (5) ................................................... Ireland
Leon E. Sonksen, MEPGHP (3) ........................................... Israel
Robert W. Gregory (11) .................................................. Italy
Greg Harris (8) ............................................................... Japan
Michael P. Rowan (42) .................................................... Mexico US
Michael P. Rowan (42) .................................................... Mexico GC
Robert D. Elsloo (5) ......................................................... Netherlands
Larry E. George (8) ....................................................... New South Wales & Australian Cap. Territory
M. Scott Wilson, MEPGHP (38) ....................................... New Zealand
Gerald R. (Jerry) Dodd (57) ............................................. Panama
Kevin Hintz (17) ........................................................... Paraguay
Richard P. Mitchell (57) ................................................ Portugal
Charles M. Baum (8) ....................................................... Queensland
Lyle A. Wilkes (39) ........................................................ Republic of Philippines
Roy A. Snyder (42) ........................................................ Romania
Joe E. Kier, MEPGHP (42) ............................................... Scotland
Michael L. McMillan (12) .............................................. South Australia
Michael D. Rowen (31) ................................................... Spain
Wayne G. Arner (42) ..................................................... Switzerland
Vacant ........................................................................ Togo, Africa
Vacant ........................................................................ Venezuela
James E. Erickson, MEPGHP (38) ................................................................. Victoria

Larry Childs (2) .................................................................................. Western Australia

Most Excellent Companion Al Ulibarri congratulated them for their hard work.

**BALLOT**

The allotted time for balloting having expired, MEGHP Ulibarri declared the ballot closed. He asked the tellers to have a report after the lunch break.
Alfred C. Ulibarri  
Most Excellent Grand High Priest  
2016-2017

Report of Tellers Committee

The following Companions have been elected as officers of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Colorado for 2017-2018
Most Excellent Grand High Priest Elect Ulibarri made the following appointments to the officer Line of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Colorado for 2017-2018

Ricky L. Benish (19) ......................................................... Grand Chaplain
Michael L. McMillan (3) ....................................................... Grand Lecturer
Barry Nightingale (6) ....................................................... Grand Captain of the Host
Nicholas A. Newby (29) ..................................................... Grand Principal Sojourner
Robert D. Elsloo (47) ......................................................... Grand Royal Arch Captain
Rick Haskell (6) ............................................................. Grand Master 3rd Veil
Chad Rilling (38) ............................................................. Grand Master 2nd Veil
Kevin D. Hintz (17) .......................................................... Grand Master 1st Veil
 ................................................................. Grand Sentinel
Robert C. Trezise (10) ......................................................... Grand Musician

APPROVAL OF PREPRINTED REPORTS

Most Excellent Grand High Priest Ulibarri called for a motion to approve the preprinted.

Motion passed.

CORRESPONDANCE COMMITTEE

No Report

AMERICAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

No Actions Taken
MEMBERSHIP RETENTION COMMITTEE

Companions,

The Membership Retention Committee was committed in 2017 to creating and promoting new methods of recruitment throughout Capitular Masonry. To this end, the members of the committee spent time promoting membership efforts within Chapters as part of the Grand Chapter’s Official visits throughout the state.

In addition to discussing localized membership growth and retention efforts. The Chairman of the committee worked with Colorado Chapter #29 to create the Colorado Chapter #29 York Rite Chapter Program. The purpose of this program is to isolate the 4 Capitular degrees into short descriptions to be performed by members of a chapter when visiting a local Blue Lodge. The program is modeled after the Montana Program that encapsulates all York Rite degrees and presents them in an extensive and informative program. Colorado Chapter #29 along with the Membership Retention Committee performed this program for Liberty Lodge #134. Colorado Chapter #29 is committed to continuing this program and will be performing it at lodges throughout the downtown Denver area.

The Membership Retention Committee as attached this program and encourages chapters throughout the state to take up this initiative and perform the short parts at Blue Lodge meetings in order to develop interest in the York Rite and specifically in Capitular Masonry. Please contact the Committee, or Colorado Chapter #29 for details and instruction on the performance of this program. A copy of the program is attached.

Fraternally,
Nicholas A Newby, Chairman
Grand Master of the 3rd Veil
Membership Retention Committee
GOOD EVENING BROTHERS: We have come here tonight to give a short program about Chapter Masonry within the York Rite. The Chapter of Royal Arch Masons is the second body of York Rite in our Jurisdiction, with the Symbolic Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons being the first. The Council of Cryptic Masons and the Commandery of Knights Templar follow the Chapter. Again, since Symbolic Lodge is the first body of the York Rite, all Masons are already York Rite Masons. Those of you that have not joined the Chapter, Council and Commandery have not completed your York Rite journey and are not currently in possession of many more valuable lessons and secrets. Parts of the story that you have learned through your Blue lodge that may seem incomplete are filled in throughout the several York Rite degrees.

(Public Presentation Non-Masons) Those of you that are not yet Masons will be introduced to a small part of the mysteries and lessons that are taught within our Fraternity, and we hope you will enjoy this look in, and are happy to answer questions and introduce you to more of our Craft if you are interested.

Tonight, we will present some of the characters and degrees you will see in the Chapter.

The Chapter consists of four degrees. Through these degrees we see the Building, Completion, Dedication, and Destruction of the Temple. We are given lessons regarding our character as Masons and our duties to God and to Man. Throughout we are reminded of the importance of that guiding light, the Holy Bible, and the necessity to continue to prepare ourselves for usefulness, and towards being accepted into the Holy of Holies above.

COMPANION; WHO IS REPRESENTING ONE OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE WORK OF KING SOLOMON'S TEMPLE, WILL INTRODUCE YOU TO THE First DEGREE of Mark Master.

MASTER OVERSEER: (SLEEVES ROLLED UP, HOLDING A SQUARE)

GOOD EVENING BROTHERS. Welcome to the Temple, please be careful, we're not yet finished with the building. I'm a Master Overseer, given that title and duties by King Solomon. King Solomon has put in place a number of checks to ensure that every piece of work is in fact good work, and that those completing the work are paid accordingly. King Solomon has selected certain fellowcrafts who have distinguished themselves by their industry, skill, and fidelity and made them Mark Masters. These Mark Masters complete nearly every piece of work for the Temple. It's my job then to inspect the work, to be sure it will fit the builders use. If their work is
approved, they can receive wages. Recently, we have had a number of grumblings within the Temple. We had an imposter attempt to draw wages, which were not due to him. We even lost a very valuable piece of work upon which the completion of the Temple depended! Most recently, we had a dispute among the workmen over their wages. Luckily for us, we have had King Solomon to guide us safely, and he has reminded us of our duties, to each other, and to our Creator, reminding us, “The Stone which the builders rejected is become the head stone of the corner.”

MASTER OF CEREMONIES: THE SECOND OF THE CHAPTER DEGREES IS THE PAST MASTER DEGREE.

COMPANION: WILL INTRODUCE YOU TO THIS DEGREE.

PAST MASTER: (SUIT OR SPORT COAT, TOP HAT, CARRYING A GAVEL)

GOOD EVENING, BROTHERS and Guests. In the degree of Past Master, we leave the time of King Solomon and return to the present day. Originally, when the Royal Arch was controlled by the Symbolic lodges, the Royal Arch degree was restricted to only Past Masters. This was done because it was thought that the degree was too important to confer upon all Master Masons. This restriction, although still observed today, greatly limited the reach of the important lessons taught in the Royal Arch Degree. Our tradition in the United States is to confer this degree of Virtual Past Master. By doing so we are able to impart upon you lessons known only to Past Masters, in order to prepare you to be invested with the sublime instruction of the Royal Arch. Our lessons touch on duties own to your lodge, should you be called to preside, and the duties the lodge owes to the chair. We also find additional inducement to remain faithful to our God, always remembering to meditate on that Great Light of Masonry.

MASTER OF CEREMONIES: THIS BRINGS US TO THE DEGREE OF MOST EXCELLENT MASTER. COMPANION WILL BE EXPLAINING THIS DEGREE

HIGH PRIEST: (DRESSED IN HIGH PRIEST ROBES, INCLUDING MITER AND BREASTPLATE)

GOOD EVENING, BROTHERS and guests. We have returned to the time of King Solomon. I am the High Priest of the Jewish People. The Temple is now completed and the craftsmen who have labored long and hard will be rewarded for their zeal and fidelity and will be made Most Excellent Masters. It is time to join in the ceremony of Consecration and Dedication of the Temple! We will lay the final stone commemorating the end of our labors. During the ceremony we will adorn the Sanctum Santorum with many holy vessels and valuable implements. With the Holy of Holies properly furnished and the Temple Dedicate, we will welcome the glory of the Lord into the Lord's House, (Kneeling) "For He is good: for His mercy endureth forever! For He is good: for His mercy endureth forever!"
MASTER OF CEREMONIES:

THE LAST OF THE CHAPTER DEGREES IS THE MOST SUBLIME DEGREE OF ROYAL ARCH MASON. THE COMPANION WILL BE EXPLAINING THIS DEGREE

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MASTER OF CEREMONIES:

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MASTER OF CEREMONIES:


HERE TO DESCRIBE THIS DEGREE IS COMPANION

PRINCIPAL SOJOURNER: (SOJOURNER ROBES WITH STAFF)

BROTHERS, it has been 470 years since King Solomon's Temple was completed and dedicated, but the temple now lies in ruins. The Jewish Nation has been carried away captive by the Chaldeans, leaving our Temple and our city in rubble due to our disobedience of God's Commands. Finally, by proclamation of Cyrus King of Persia we have been released and will journey, over rough and rugged roads, to the scene of our former glory! We will be able to
engage in the great work of rebuilding the House of the Lord. As we assist in rebuilding the Temple on the site of the original Temple we will discover great secrets that have laid buried in darkness, the greatest of which being the "Long lost Master's Word". And upon bringing them to light we will be reminded of the existence and power of God and will be exalted to the august degree of Royal Arch Mason.

MASTER OF CEREMONIES:

My Brothers, this concludes the presentation of the degrees of the Chapter of Royal Arch Masons. A Chapter is led by 3 principal officers representing Joshua, Zerubbabel, and Haggai who led the building of the 2nd temple. The Chapter degrees are presented in a number of different ways including 2 different festivals, one in Akron, Colorado in June, and the other at the Four Corners in October. The degrees are also presented throughout the year by individuals Chapters. Any member of a Blue Lodge can petition a Chapter to continue their York Rite journey and learn many more lessons upon which to build the Masonic Temple of your life. I hope these depictions of the degrees have peaked your interest enough to encourage your curiosity to want to grow even more.

COMMITTEE ON DISPENSATIONS AND CHARTERS

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2016-2017

To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Colorado:

Your Committee on Dispensations and Charters would like to report that there have been no Chapters under dispensation, and therefore no work, records or proceedings of the same to be reviewed.
A petition for the consolidation of Hiram Chapter #7 and Keystone Chapter #8 have been submitted to your committee during the capitular year 2016-2017. This committee recommends that this consolidation be approved.

The Committee would like to express its gratitude to the Most Excellent Grand High Priest for this opportunity to serve.

Respectfully and Fraternally,

/S/ Stephen P. Davis, PHP, Chairman

The petition for consolidation was accepted by GHP Ulibarri and approved by the Grand Chapter.

CORRESPONDENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

2016 – 2017
TO: The Grand High Priest, Officers and Members

FROM: Bob Applegate, Chairman

SUBJECT: Correspondence Committee Report

The correspondence committee had no activity either to or from the Grand Chapter for this Masonic year. Thus we have nothing to report.

Respectively submitted,

Robert Applegate, Chairman

Report of the Capitular Information Committee
Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Colorado


The Capitular Information Committee is charged with the preparation of the Colorado Section of the Royal Arch Mason Magazine, an eight page insert distributed to all Royal Arch Masons under the jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Colorado.

In the present Fraternal Year, four issues were prepared and distributed to Colorado Royal Arch Masons, in the Fall 2016, Winter 2016, Spring 2017, and Summer 2017 issues of the Royal Arch Mason Magazine.

We hope you continue to enjoy the Colorado Section of the Royal Arch Mason Magazine, and we continue to solicit and encourage articles, photos, and announcements from our Companions. The deadline for materials is February 20, May 20th, August 20, and November 20 for the Spring, Summer, Fall, and Winter issues respectively.

Respectfully submitted,

The Capitular Information Committee

Ben Williams, Committee Chair

M. Scott Wilson, MEPGHP

Jered Minter
THE GRAND COUNCIL of Colorado hosted several workshops on ritual proficiency, as well as several York Rite recruitment presentations for our Blue Lodges.

This year, Colorado Cryptic Masonry has welcomed quite a few new Companions making it more important than ever to display a level of competence in those beliefs we profess as honor and integrity.

Aside from the occasional, and expected, punctuation and spelling errors in the ritual, we find the ritual in excellent form and complete in reference to explanation of all signs, grips, and words. However, for the benefit of the future survival of our Order, the “short form” usage the ritual should be abandoned and officers should be encouraged to stop “reading “any ritual. The applicable adage here is, “if something is worth doing, do it well”. This we not only owe to our new initiates, but to ourselves as well.

Degree work for our new Companions is the “first impression” they receive of what Cryptic Masonry represents as well as a true and lasting indicator of our commitment to the Craft, and, accordingly each of us should accelerate that level of accountability beyond volunteerism and convenience to an active level of conviction in the craft we profess to be “a way of life”.

Rocco Eastridge, IGL
Four Corners Committee

2016-2017

The Four Corners Festival will be held on October 7, 2017 in Grand Junction. Details are on our web site.

/S/ M. Scott Wilson, MEGHP

Chairman