



A-U-2 Review



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THE RHYTHM OF LIFE

BOB HARPER, WGP

SISTERS AND BROTHERS,

Well here we are at the shortest month of the year. Christmas, New Year and the national election are all in our rear view mirror. I am so looking forward to longer days, warmer weather, looking through

the seed catalogs and planning my garden. It's also the month to celebrate love with those we love and a time when we honor the birthdays of two of the greatest leaders our country has ever been blessed with.

Of all of the months of the year, February is a time to celebrate the lives of those past presidents who have lead us through war and peace, economic depression and prosperity, civil unrest and attacks on our home land both foreign and domestic. Through it all God has provided us with us great leaders when we needed them.



While 2020 will definitely be a year to remember, or maybe I should say forget and 2021 has not started out much better and while we continue to face challenges and disappointments, February also can bring us courage and hope.

Such courage and hope as exemplified in the life of President George Washington, who despite overwhelming odds, narrowly escaped the total destruction of the Continental Army in the 1776 during the New York Campaign. He was forced to cross the Delaware twice in the cold of winter; first on December 26, 1776 and then again on January

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DEAR SISTERS AND BROTHERS,

The holidays have come and gone and we are in the beginning of the year. A year, I hope, that will bring positive changes as we gain control over the virus. The vaccines are being administered, maybe not as quickly or with as large numbers we would like, but it's a start. As we progress through 2021, I hope we have a year with a lot less stress and anxiety and are able to resume a more normal life style on all fronts, and especially be able to safely resume meeting in person. Something I know we all miss.

It will be interesting to see how many of the changes the pandemic has brought about will remain in place, even when it will be safe for people to return to being together or in group. I'm sure employers and employees both have found pros and cons for working from home or going to the office. Even ordering groceries and having them delivered has become a regular routine for several people, not to mention the larger than normal number of orders Amazon and other retailers filled from on line shopping for the holidays. Local schools are working towards getting students back in the classroom for in person learning but a lot if the college students seem to like the virtual or on line programs. We'll just have to see how all this works out as time goes on.

Ah, but there is one constant for us and awaits our return and that is our beautiful order, and all our (cont' Page 2 Bob)



2nd of 1777. Through sheer will and determination, he kept his troops and army together despite lack of food, short supplies and the unwillingness of Congress to fund the campaign. He deftly put down a growing military rebellion. Despite all of this, he was able to put together the deceive York Town battle that began in September of 1781 and ended with the Franco-American victory on October 19, 1781. His faith and belief in his abilities and the ability of his men, to fight and die to establish the Republic, will live forever or so long as we remember the promise of America.

President Lincoln saw the country through the great Civil War and helped us live up to one of the key principles upon which our Country rests that all men are created equal and endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights among them; life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

This is our heritage and can shape our destiny if we show the courage, faith and common decency exemplified in the lives of these and other great men who have held the office of the Presidency of the United States.

This is why February teaches us to remember our past and celebrate those who have lead us with conviction, dedication and fidelity to our Constitution and the Bill of Rights, the foundation of this great experiment in self-governance and individual freedom.



These are the fundamental principles that have made us and will keep us the greatest nation on the face of the earth.

February is also a time of great hope, a time to plan, a time to accept the fact that while the weather may be cold, the ground frozen and the trees stripped of their leaves, it is not the end but merely a time to make ready for a beautiful reawakening of nature's beauty and bounty. That's one of the reasons why I enjoy looking at the colorful pages of



the seed catalogs. It helps me maintain my vision of what can be if we work hard, plan wisely and invest in the hope that our garden will once again spring forth with new life if we but have

faith to believe that even though there may be more snow and cold, spring is just around the corner.

As I stated in the beginning of this article, this is the time to have courage and be inspired by the dedication of great men and women and to realize that in God's good time, spring will come and to remember that we should not just sit idly by and wait for spring to arrive if we want to enjoy the beauty and bounty of the season. We must plan, work and not be discouraged if things don't always turn out the way we hope. Life is a marathon, not a sprint. We must always keep our eyes turned towards the horizon and our hearts full of hope and faith that we will come to that point between the earth and sky where all things are possible with God's help. For after all what is the horizon but the limit of our sight.

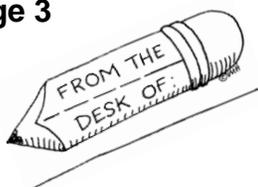
*Take Care, my friends,
Anna Peterson, WGM*

(cont' Bob)

devoted members who are anxious to return to actively participate in meetings. Be patient that day is coming. Follow the advice of the medical authorities, and stay the course, we'll get there. Sooner, I hope than Later.

Fraternally yours
Bob Harper, WGP





Our Chapter Reporters

COLORADO #2 – LEADVILLE

Robert Trezise, PP- Reporter

The annual wreath and garland fundraiser resulted in a profit of \$2155 for use in scholarships and chapter activities.

Attendance at meetings has decreased due to travel and bad weather. However, regular meetings are planned to occur unless further health restrictions follow. Members are getting their vaccinations since most are over 70.

The chapter is saddened to report the death of Brother Jared Miller. He was an accomplished banjo player and he performed with national musicians such as Frankie Yankovich and other musicians of the 1950's. He and Brother Bob Trezise played a piano/banjo duo for entertainment at official visits, Grand Chapter banquets and local programs. Services were held in Canon City December 30.

GARDEN CITY #3 – GREELEY

Cheryl Ann, WM, PGM - Reporter Protem

At our meetings in January, we held discussions about our upcoming Fundraisers. It was decided that since Weld County has been downgraded to orange, that we should go ahead and start up our fundraisers to get back into the swing of things again. Of course, ideas were presented as to how to best meet the covid guidelines. It was decided to strategically place tables in the Chapter room and dining room, plated plates will be served to individuals – no buffet, as in the past and other safety precautions will be implemented, to keep our members and guests as safe as possible, so they may enjoy their dining experience.

So with that said, our first Fundraiser will be the Valentine's Day Dinner to be held on February 6th. An invitation to the "Grand Opening" of the Garden City Restaurant can be found at the end of this Edition. We ask that you call as soon as possible to make your reservation, as seating is limited. You will be asked to select your entre' – stuffed ½ Cornish Game Hen or slow roasted Pot Roast and a time in which you would like to dine, that way we can space out the number of people attending to observe social distancing. Entre's are \$8.00 and

then once you arrive, you will receive a menu to add on Drinks, Appetizers and Desserts, if you so choose.

Our next fundraiser will be our Annual Smorgasbord to be held on March 6 and our first annual Playhouse Dinner Theater on April 10th. The very talented, but nervous cast have been practicing their lines and we are sure it will be a production of nothing but laughs, hysteria and confusion. Details of these fundraisers will be forthcoming. So keep a look out.

A petition for the degrees was presented and read. The initiation ceremony is planned for March 9th and we will have a dinner at 6:30 pm, prior to the meeting. The Candidate has been anxiously waiting for 6 months to become a member of our Order. Her Grandmother is equally excited.

At our second meeting in January, Sister Vic Czapenski gave a wonderful program about how the Masonic Youth organizations and Eastern Star began, when and by whom. Very well done.

We will ballot at our first meeting in February and at our second meeting, Sister Maude O'Connell will give a program presentation.

The Golden Chain of our Chapter has been broken, but our Heavenly Chain has been strengthened by the passing of our Sisters Lois Satterlee, 68 years; Dorothy Reichert, 68 years; and Cornelia (Corkie) Plymesser, 52 years. May God welcome these Sisters with open arms and may He bless their families with strength, faith, love and understanding.



COLLINS #26, FORT COLLINS
Sharon Holmes, WM Reporter
Lydia Shelley, PM Artist



**Happy February 15th
...the Glorious Day
when all the
Valentine's Day Candy
goes on Sale!**

Our Chapter has been plugging along trying to have meetings and conduct business with the Covid-19 restrictions. Restrictions were opening up in the Fall of 2020 just to be closed again. The Larimer County Health Department has stricter guidelines than some of the other Counties. We have had several Zoom Meetings following the guidelines of Marianne Shenefelt, Most Worthy Grand Matron. The Zoom meetings are a challenge for some of our Brothers and Sisters, so participation has been around 15 members. We dressed up in Halloween costumes for our October 27th Zoom meeting. We had a couple of Witches, a Minion, a Cowgirl, a Hippie, Santa Claus and the Pumpkin family. What fun.

The Fort Collins Masonic Temple is open again, so we will have a stated meeting there on Tuesday January 26 at 7:30 pm. There is no Ritual work involved on Zoom meetings so we will all be rusty and have to study up.

Our Chapter is saddened by the loss of several of our members over the past 2 months. Sister Nola Mason, Sister Janet Frazier, and our Brother Lee Blooding, PGP. We will be able to pay our respect by reading the Memorials, draping the Altar and the Charter at our meeting on January 26th. We Can Do It! We can make it thru these unprecedented times.

HAPPY
Valentine's Day



SILVER STAR #40, MONTROSE
Suzanne Teague, PM Reporter

Hello Sisters & Brothers!
Happy Valentine's Day! Happy Winter!
The snow is lightly falling here and will hopefully cover the dirty snow that is on the ground! We really need the moisture, so we are not complaining and it really is pretty! Kind of a Hallmark Movie Scene!

Without meetings, there is little to report. However, some of our members are reporting fun things! And we have had some serious illness.

Delphine Mead, our 99 year old member in Monte Vista reported that she received 87 Happy Birthday cards, 50 of which were from Eastern Star Members! She kept a list and was thrilled to be remembered! She is doing well and adjusting to her new surroundings.



Bob Corey celebrated his 96th birthday with family and many good wishes from all. He is quite the gentleman and such fun to visit with!

Darley Hoffman is recovering from a bad month of COVID. She was sick two weeks before Christmas but just thought it was a cold. She was taken by ambulance to the hospital on Christmas Day when a friend stopped by and saw how sick she was. She spent five days in the hospital and is now home with oxygen and a walker. She is beginning to find some strength but it will be some time before she is back to her old self.

Mary Melton's husband, Randy, had a stay in National Jewish Hospital in Denver for procedures on his lungs. Mary's back surgery is still waiting for Workman's Comp approval. Please keep them in your prayers.

WM Cindy and WP Len Wardlaw's son, Aaron had COVID and was very thankful not to have infected his family. He is getting better but still feels the effects of the nasty virus. He is a pilot so has chosen not to fly until he is 100%.

Lucky Cox is in Oklahoma City with her niece. She is also having some medical procedures, but is doing well. We miss her but talk to her often.

Bonnie Lamb is staying busy after her husband's death. He was a collector so she is having quite the time of weeding out! Her Corgi, Queenie is her constant companion. She really appreciated the Sympathy cards she received.



Lin Mussman travelled to the Eastern Slope to be with family and friends for her birthday. She said she had to come home to rest.

AGP Keith and Shelley Hoey travelled to Vernal, UT to watch Nate, their grandson, ride in the Lane Frost Challenge bull riding event. He was injured there eight years ago so was happy to come away with money this time! And his memory of riding! Shelley is working off and on to help out in the dental office but hopes to make it more *off* than *on*! Keith is still recovering from his back and shoulder procedures. He has not quite seen the improvement he had hoped for. Yet!

Suzanne Teague helped her grandson with "remote learning" last week and says "Teachers really are underpaid!" These third graders were like 'herding cats on steroids!' She did learn some things, so all was not lost!

We are tentatively planning an in-person meeting for February 4, 2021. However, COVID numbers are up in both Delta & Montrose Counties. So time will tell if we can meet. So many of our members are compromised. We may try a ZOOM meeting but as we said: many of our members are compromised! Maybe technically challenged is a better explanation!

We did send a donation to Shield 616 in honor of 16 Law Enforcement agencies in our area. Since we have affiliated with six other chapters, our field of service has greatly expanded. God Bless all of our Officers and keep them safe!

And now we close with love for you all for Valentine's Day and always.



Hello! It's nearly February and I would like to wish you all a Happy Hearts Day from your sisters and brothers in Grand Junction! We actually got to have a meeting on January 19. It was so good to see those of us who came out. (Still no hugs {pout}) Hopefully we will be able to continue the rest of the year.

We have one petition in and the examining committee will be meeting with her soon. So exciting!

WM Stephanie Thorpe has some fund-raising ideas the Chapter will be considering soon. Be prepared for information on at least one of these! No, I'm not telling....

Sweets for the Sweet on Valentine's Day: here's a recipe that will make your honey smile!

A SLICE OF HEAVEN CAKE!

- 1 package devil's food chocolate cake or German chocolate cake mix
- 1 14oz can sweetened condensed milk
- 1 jar caramel topping
- 1 8oz tub cool whip
- 4-5 snickers bar (my preference) OR you can use skor, heathbar, or mini reeses

Bake the cake according to directions in 9x13 inch pan. Cool for 5 minutes, using the handle of a wooden spoon poke holes into cake, then let cake cool for a bit about an 1/2 hour til warm. Slowly pour sweetened milk over cake, letting it soak into holes, then drizzle caramel over the cake.

Let cake cool completely (you may refrigerate it to cool faster just cover well). Top cake with cool whip, decorate with candy & drizzle with caramel!!

Just keep in mind that, without Valentine's Day, February would be, well.....January.

Take care of yourselves and your loved ones. Hope to see you all soon!

EXCELSIOR #66 - LAFAYETTE
Carol Danford, PM - Reporter

Excelsior #66 held our January Zoom meeting on Tuesday, the 12th. We had 23 people in attendance. Chapter business was discussed.

Our Chapter will be hosting the Golden Gleaners meeting on February 28th in Greeley at the Century Masonic Hall – home of Garden City #3, because space is so limited in Lafayette. An invitation is also included in this issue of the Review. It has all the details of the luncheon.

We are hoping to hold our February meeting in our own Chapter on the 9th at 7:30 pm. We will award 50 year pins to Lois Thompson and Carol Anderson. An email will be sent out later this month. WM Nancy has asked that we wear red for Valentine's Day. If we can resume normal meetings, we will have 4 or 5 Petitions to read and then schedule an Initiation!

WP, Arthur Light, has fallen several times and broke two ribs and went to the hospital. Rehab will be in his future. Our Conductress, Cynthia Gray, was walking her dog and got tangled up, fell and broke her left arm in 4 places above the elbow. She had surgery and is now home. Cards would help the healing process!

To all our Sisters and Brothers
Happy Valentine's Day!

MANZANITA #85 - LITTLETON
Larry Wullbrandt, PGP - Reporter

When I sat down at the computer to prepare this article, I recalled thinking that one month ago, I was looking forward to the new year. Who would or could have dreamed what bizarre happenings would occur during the first month of 2021? We need not

rehash what we've all observed, ad nauseum, on TV. It does make one question if a huge portion of the U.S. population has lost their collective minds.

Now we welcome February and the festival of Saint Valentine's day. For a good read of the history of the day go to:

<https://www.history.com/topics/valentines-day/history-of-valentines-day-2>

We've heard that Dark Chocolate & Red Wine pair well together, so now's the time to stock up on both. Doesn't everyone, well nearly everyone, like chocolate?? And add a smooth red wine to wash it down - aaah. While we can't party together, we can raise a glass in honor of



our Sisters & Brothers! As the scriptures say: Beloved, let us love one another!

Happy Valentine's Day!
Th-th-th-that's all folks, 'til next month.

HOPE #122 - BENNETT
Gaylene Alton, PM - Reporter

HOPE CHAPTER #122, IN BEAUTIFUL DOWNTOWN BENNETT, CO (Don always said that) I like it!

I am sitting here in the office of the house, it is quiet and only my little 3 legged dog Pistol Pete is here with me and we are trying to think of something to put in the 4 U 2 Review and my mind is blank. Our last meeting was March 10, 2020 and here another year is here, the only reason I remember the date is because it was my birthday. We had a couple small meetings after that in the dining room only and all went well. I can say I do miss having meetings and seeing everyone. I try to keep up with all from my little office and Pistol Pete and I try to get notes out everyone now and then hoping they will answer back.

About all I can tell you is what I have been up too, first this summer had to get my deck put back on my house, and then the hail hit and had to get new siding and did get my house painted and just got my roof done. That put a notion in my head to get the inside of the house painted and my grandson said he would do it. Well have mud room and Don's bathroom done, then the main bathroom and down

the hall into the piano room and then the living room. I am now going to wait until it gets warmer and do the kitchen, office and my bedroom. I have gotten new screen doors on the house with dead locks and that is about all. When Don was here I wanted to paint and he said I could as long as it was white! Well needless to say it is not white now and am sure he would like it. I think he just didn't want the mess, but the mess is all in the guest bedroom on the bed, on the floor, on the sides that never get walked on and if I need to get my grand officers dress we are going to have to do some rearranging.

Speaking of Grand Officers Dress, I am so anxious to get dressed up again (if I can, may have to add some inches to it), and see everyone again, seems like it has been years. Well I guess it has been a year and I sure do miss the hugs, hello's and just being together. Our Chapter Hope #122 has a good name and I use the word Hope a lot in my conversations with everyone and I do miss our Hope members and Hope we can get back together soon. I tried putting on make up the other day and my eye brows have changed, I could not find them so may never have them again. Who knows. Just Hope I can get into my dresses after a year at home and at the grocery store., you know that is all I get to go to. I find when I go to the grocery store I linger so long in the isles the store cops are watching me to see what I am up too. But I like visiting with the foods on the shelves and find myself wondering what that or this is and so I ask them, they just sit on the shelf and look at me, they don't know but Hope someone buys them so they can see a different sight as well. I do get bored but the grocery store lifts me up as I see things there I have never seen before and so many things that squirt out of those little plastic tubes. Imagine I will get in trouble if I keep squirting them around but it is so much fun to see how far they squirt. I also love to move peoples carts when they leave them at the end of an isle and go looking for something. I usually take my cart and bump them along a few rows down and let them wonder how it got so far away. That upsets me when they leave their carts and go looking for something, ya know that is why they have wheels so you can take them with you; so I take them with me whenever they are left alone, feel sorry for them.

Well I have said enough for this time and I better get back to my broken stove so I can heat some soup, My oven died and so get to go shopping for a new stove this next week. It was only 25 years old thought it should last longer but then I have replaced every appliance in the kitchen so guess it was

time. Washer and Dryer will probably be next but I can go awhile without washing cloths I guess, looking at me closet I could go years without washing. Oh, well such is life and hopefully it will go on for me a bit longer, I have a lot of stuff I need to do and my kids say I have a whole lot of stuff I need to get rid of. Who cares let them do it, will keep them busy and out of trouble. Ya all take care and Hope we get back together soon. Love and Hugs

HERITAGE #154 - DENVER

Karen Wilson - Reporter



Heritage chapter had a great time at our December zoom meeting. We wore our finest Christmas attire and swapped Secret Santa gifts. We tried guessing

who our secret Santa was and a few were successful.

We're also proud that we sold out of our Reindeer ornaments with the proceeds going to the WGM projects.

We also welcomed our soon to be new member Kendall Taylor. We elected her into our membership in September but then the dreaded black cloud of Covid struck and lockdown take 2 occurred. We are crossing our fingers that we will be able to initiate her on February 8th.

We have an exciting Zoom meeting planned for Monday January 28th. Don Snyder, PGP of California will be giving us a presentation on the Belmont-Perry House as well as entertain us with a song he recently recorded. Happy New Year to everyone.



SECRETARIES- TREASURERS of CO



Greetings,

My fellow Secretaries and Treasurers of Colorado. Whether you are currently serving or have done so in the past, the labors of these positions are essential to a smooth-running Chapter. As Ruth toiled in the fields of Boaz, we toil in the fields of our Chapters. A compliment to your zeal and dedication to the Order. I recently learned of a sister in another jurisdiction who has served as Secretary for 38 consecutive years and is still going strong. Anyone looking to break her record? Not me!

At Grand Chapter 2019, during the Sec.-Treas. luncheon, I was apparently engrossed in the discussion at the table and wasn't paying attention to the business of the day. When my name was called by the presiding officer, I replied, "Yes" and was informed I had been elected President of the club. I thought, Good Grief, what have you gotten yourself into now! Karen Higganbotham, Secretary (104) is also an officer.

2020 arrived and plans for Grand Chapter were moving forward. I was thinking of our luncheon and learned that the menu, time, location, etc., had all been determined. All that was needed from us was a theme and a few other details. Everything seemed in place when Grand Chapter was cancelled.

Now it's time to begin planning for Grand Chapter 2021. I expect last years plans for our luncheon will remain in place.

However, I've begun to question what the purpose of this club is. We don't have any interaction as a group other than the luncheon at Grand Chapter. The break-out sessions at Schools of Instruction may answer some questions but aren't a club function. In the past the Grand Secretary & Grand Treasurer held workshops occasionally, but they were in Denver and many potential participants were excluded due to travel distances.

My question is: As a club, shouldn't we have a purpose? And what should it be?

Many of you have been Secretary or Treasurer longer than I and I'd like to hear your ideas. Are you willing to invest some time & energy?

I have a ZOOM account and would be happy to host meetings. Or we can start with e-mail. My e-mail is:

lwullbrandt@q.com

Looking forward to your input,

Larry Wullbrandt, PGP

President - Secretaries-Treasurers of CO

Secretary - Manzanita Chapter #85

VALENTINE

*V: is for the VICTORY in
Jesus*

*A: is for AMAZING grace
how sweet the sound*

*L: is for His LOVE that
lifted me*

*E: is for ETERNAL Life
when found*

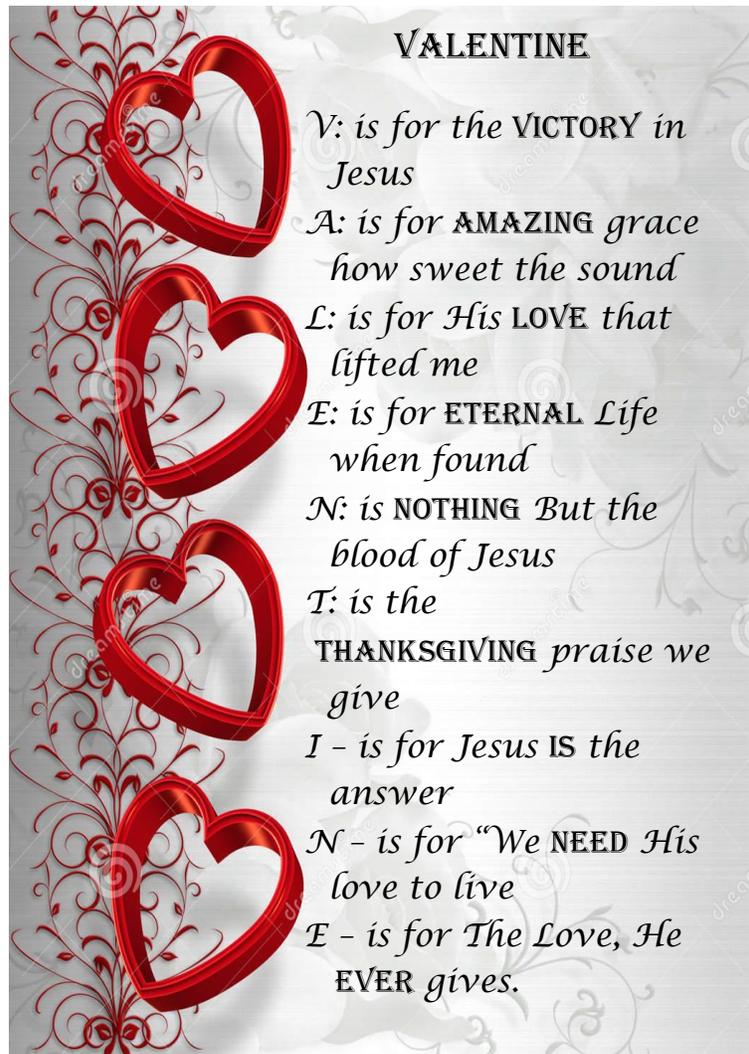
*N: is NOTHING But the
blood of Jesus*

*T: is the
THANKSGIVING praise we
give*

*I - is for Jesus IS the
answer*

*N - is for "We NEED His
love to live*

*E - is for The Love, He
EVER gives.*



This month, I asked that anyone submit articles of memories and events of your Chapter from years past - Sort of a "Blast

From the Past". On the few pages to follow, you will find some recollections of memories and events that happened in a couple of our Chapters in years past. I believe that it is our history that has brought us to where we are today. If you have memories of events of your Chapter and its members, please submit your article for future Publications. We would love to hear from you.

Pictures or newspaper articles would be great, as well. You can also remanence the memories of Sisters or Brothers who have joined our Heavenly Golden Chain. Write just about anything and anyone can submit an article. Thank you to Sister Pam and Brother Byron for starting us off.

Submitted by Sister Pam Jones, PM and Secretary - Excelsior #66

Excelsior Chapter #66 was Constituted on October 3, 1905 and celebrated their 100th Birthday by having an open house. We had tables with scrap books and welcomed our friends with wonderful food and fellowship. The theme for that year was "One Moment in Time". The Officers for that year were:

Worthy Matron Pam Jones, PM
 Assoc Matron Carol Danford, PM
 Secretary Margueritte Sommers, PM
 Conductress Peg Kinney
 Chaplain Pat Carlstrom, PM
 Organist Jeannine Shafer, PM
 Ruth Robin McCauley, PM
 Martha Jeri Dunn
 Warder Lois Thompson, PM

Worthy Patron Mike Jones, PP
 Assoc Patron Dean Mathena, PP
 Treasurer Nancy Koenig, PM
 Assoc Conductress. Janice Mechem
 Marshal Louise Mathena, PM
 Adah Nancy Roberts, PM
 Esther Katrina Walker
 Electa Anna Hebert
 Sentinel Charlie Sommers, PP



*We have come to the end of our one hundred years,
 And our hearts are thrilled with this thought.
 We lift a prayer to our God above
 For the joys that the years have brought.*

*Our hearts give thanks for the friends we've known
 Whose faces we now recall,
 And now at the end of one hundred years
 Oft wish we could greet them all.*

*Now these are the fruits of our one hundred years
 In our great fraternity,
 Many tasks well done, many joys well won,
 Lovely friendships and meetings gay.*

*The memories Excelsior brings to mind
 Are memories that never fade.
 We find at the end of our one hundred years
 The faces of friends we have made.*



Golden City Chapter #29 was issued a dispensation on February 22, 1896, officers from Radiant Chapter #12 and Golden Queen #4 conferred the degrees on 20 people. The Chapter was constituted in 1896. The charter was recalled in 1902, due to a lack of interest among the members. A number of people met on November 28, 1933 to consider starting up again and on November 1, 1933, about fifty interested prospects met in the Odd Fellows Hall, which could be rented for \$12.50 a month, heat and lights provided. A request for a dispensation was signed by 20 persons, and Mount Zion Chapter #133 was instituted on December 6, 1933 with 59 Charter members. The Chapter was constituted on October 19, 1934. It met in the Odd Fellows Hall at 1106 Washington Avenue from its instating until moving to the present Golden Masonic Temple at 400 Tenth Street in 1951.

The Chapter has a long history of support to Golden City Lodge #1. In 1936 they served a turkey dinner to the Lodge for 75 cents a plate (made a profit of \$135.75), and frequently serve the Lodge to this day. Donations have included a baby grand piano in 1955; new carpets (\$450 in 1956 and a new carpet in 2002); \$1,000 in 1959 and \$500 in 1961 for kitchen improvements; the painting of the mural in the fellowship hall; drapes (\$100) upstairs; clothes racks in

1962; drapes in the fellowship hall; a freezer and water cooler in 1964; an organ was donated in 1976; parking lot paving (\$500) in 1971; \$5000 in 2005 for the elevator, along with a new hot water heater and dishwasher; and the ice maker in 2008.

The Chapter has, through a series of affiliations, accepted members of Golden Queen Chapter #17 of Central City, Idaho Springs Chapter #51 of Idaho Springs, Georgetown Silver Star Chapter #42 of Georgetown, Friendship Chapter #137 of Arvada, Lakewood Chapter #139 of Lakewood, Evening Star Chapter Number #142 of Edgewater, Echo Chapter #147 of Evergreen, and Peace Chapter #151 of Wheat Ridge.

Many members of the Chapter have served as officers and appointments in the Colorado Grand Chapter including seven Worthy Grand Matrons; Charlotte Shaffer in 1972, Betty J. O'Belmito in 1977, Jeanne Champney in 1981, Eileen Norris in 1995, Georgie Bell Starks in 1986, Sherrie Dusch in 1998, and Cyndie House in 2014; and one Worthy Grand Patron; Byron G. Walker, in 2016. In March 2020, regular stated meetings were suspended due to the Corona Virus, and replaced with virtual communications that included no ritual work. Recently, meetings in person have been resumed.





“I CHOOSE”

Submitted by Krista Shaner, PM #145 - Grand Chaplain

Always remember to forget the troubles that pass your way;
BUT NEVER forget the blessings that come each day.

I CHOOSE LOVE

No occasion justifies hatred; no injustice warrants bitterness.
Today I will love God and what God loves.

I CHOOSE JOY

I will invite my God to be the God of circumstance. I will refuse the temptation to be cynical...
the tool of the lazy thinker. I will refuse to see people as anything less than human beings,
created by God. I will refuse to see any problem as anything less than an opportunity to see God.

I CHOOSE PEACE

I will live forgiven. I will forgive so that I may live.

I CHOOSE PATIENCE

I will overlook the inconveniences of the world. Instead of cursing the one who takes my place,
I'll invite Him to do so. Rather than complain that the wait is too long,
I will thank God for a moment to pray. Instead of clenching my fist at new assignments,
I will face them with joy and courage.

I CHOOSE KINDNESS

I will be kind to the poor, for they are alone. Kind to the rich, for they are afraid.
And kind to the unkind, for such is how God has treated me.

I CHOOSE GOODNESS

I will go without a dollar before I take a dishonest one.
I will be overlooked before I will boast. I will confess before I will accuse.

I CHOOSE FAITHFULNESS

Today I will keep my promises. My debtors will not regret their trust.
My associates will not question my word. My wife will not question my love.
And my children will never fear that their father will not come home.

I CHOOSE GENTLENESS

Nothing is won by force. I choose to be gentle. If I raise my voice, may it be only in praise.
If I clench my fist, may it be only in prayer. If I make a demand, may it be only of myself.

I CHOOSE SELF-CONTROL

I am a spiritual being. After this body is dead, my spirit will soar.
I refuse to let what will rot, rule the eternal. I choose self-control. I will be drunk only by joy.
I will be impassioned only by my faith. I will be influenced only by God.

I will be taught only by Christ.

Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.
To these I commit my day. If I succeed, I will give thanks. If I fail, I will seek His grace.
And then, when this day is done, I will place my head on my pillow and rest.

* When God Whispers Your Name *



Are you getting a Colorado Income Tax Refund?

Why not donate some of your refund to Colorado Rainbow Grand Assembly.

We would like to thank all who donated last year.

Beginning in 2020, you may donate all or part of your Colorado Income Tax refund to the eligible charity of your choice. And your choice can be Colorado IORG!!!!

Here is how you do it:

- Use the Colorado Tax form DR0104CH
- In-Line 19 (on back of form) enter an amount to donate
- Under Line 19 enter Registration Number: **20083005635**
- Next Line enter the Name of Organization: **International Order of the Rainbow Colorado Grand Assembly** *Note must be as listed no abbreviations.*

Submit the completed Colorado Tax form DR0104CH with your Colorado Tax form.

This information is also posted on our Public Facebook page "*Colorado IORG – International Order of the Rainbow for Girls*" and our web page www.iorgColorado.org so please share this with your friends!

Thanks

Jim Jarvis Jr., PGP

Colorado Rainbow

Grand Executive Committee Member



PLEASE JOIN US "IN PERSON" FOR THE
QUARTERLY MEETING OF
THE GOLDEN GLEANERS CLUB
HOSTED BY EXCELSIOR CHAPTER #66
ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH AT THE
GREELEY MASONIC HALL
2532 9TH AVENUE, GREELEY

***There will be a drawing for a gift card and one lucky person
will win just for attending!***

Line Officers will meet at 11:00 am, lunch will be at noon,
and the meeting will follow lunch.

We are planning to serve a Lasagna, salad, bread, dessert and beverage.

Cost of the lunch will be \$10

IF YOU DON'T FEEL COMFORTABLE BEING AROUND A GROUP OF PEOPLE

OR ARE NOT FEELING WELL PLEASE DO NOT REGISTER TO ATTEND!

**WE UNDERSTAND COMPLETELY! WE WILL BE FOLLOWING WELD
COUNTY GUIDELINES TO THE BEST OF OUR ABILITY AND ARE LIMITING
ATTENDANCE TO THE FIRST 35 RESERVATIONS.**

**PRIORITY WILL BE GIVEN TO MEMBERS OF
EXCELSIOR #66, COLLINS #26 AND GARDEN CITY #3**

**Please email or call Secretary Pam Jones
ASAP, BUT NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 6th**

to secure your spot (jonesrom2018@gmail.com Or 720-341-5113) .
Then you can mail your \$10 check (made payable to Excelsior #66 OES)
to: 117 Falcon Cr., Mead, CO 80542

WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!

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*Please join us for a
Valentine's Day Dinner
at the*

***Garden City
Restaurante'***

*on
Saturday
February 6, 2021
2532 9th Avenue - Greeley
(Century Masonic Hall)*

The Restaurante' will open
its doors at
5:00 pm
And serve until
7:00 pm

Reservations are **highly recommended**
to secure your table, as seating is limited

**Please call CherylAnn
970-396-3364
to make your reservation
Deadline: February 4th**

Entre' Choices:
 $\frac{1}{2}$ Cornish Game Hen
Slow Roasted Pot Roast
(You will choose your complete Meal from our Menu)