

February 2024





Worshipful Master Message

Brethren,

As we step into the month of February, let us pause to contemplate the rich tapestry of history and traditions that envelop this time. For millennia, this month has been celebrated with enthusiasm, symbolizing a period of purification, fertility, and the fortification of community bonds.

As Freemasons, we can glean inspiration from the enduring principles embedded in ancient traditions and weave them into our own Masonic journey. February has long been synonymous with cleansing and renewal; a moment for individuals to seek self-improvement and overcome obstacles in their lives.

Within and without the sacred walls of our Lodge, let us reflect on the symbolic cleansing of our hearts and minds. Engaging in our rituals, let the ancient principles associated with this month inspire us to purify our intentions, discarding any negativity or discord that may impede our collective progress.

Furthermore, February underscores the significance of fertility and growth. In the realm of Freemasonry, this translates to cultivating our inner virtues and perpetually expanding our Masonic knowledge. Let us strive to nurture the seeds of wisdom, charity, and brotherly love within our hearts, ensuring they flourish and bear fruit for the betterment of ourselves and our fraternity.

The emphasis on strengthening community bonds during February echoes the core essence of Freemasonry. As we convene in our lodge, let us fortify the ties that bind us as brothers. May our interactions be characterized by mutual respect, support, and an unwavering commitment to the shared values that define our noble craft.

Let February be a poignant reminder of the timeless principles guiding our Masonic journey. May we discover inspiration in the traditions of old as we collectively aspire for self-improvement, growth, and the fortification of our Masonic brotherhood.

Fraternally,

Bro. Benjamin Miller

Worshipful Master 2024

Golden City Lodge #1



From Desk of the Secretary

Brethren,

We have now added Zelle as a payment method. Zelle allows you to send money to individuals and groups that have accounts at participating banks. Typically, there is no cost to transfer money. You can use this for dues payments. To send money for dues payments, send Zelle payments to:

secretary@goldencitylodge1.org.

Visit: <https://www.zellepay.com/> for more information.

To recap: we take cash, checks, Zelle, Paypal, and Zettle.



“Pizza and Pool” every 1st and 3rd Wednesdays!



POOL & PIZZA
FIRST AND THIRD
WEDNESDAY
6:00P - 8:00P
GOLDEN CITY LODGE
400 10TH ST
GOLDEN, CO



Where a bunch of brothers, prospects, family, and friends can eat pizza and listen to music, watch videos...



visit with members of old looking to restart their Masonic journey...

maybe to try to “focus” to get some “work” done.



And of course, shoot a game or two of pool.



Masonic Education

By Grand Lodge of the Philippines

<https://grandlodge.ph/resources/masonic-education>

Freemasonry is serious labor.

Our rituals and ceremonies are based on operative masonry, using its tools and implements to impart lessons and values towards creating the better man. Operative Masons were the builders of old who worked with stone. They were architect, builder, craftsman, designer, and engineer all in one, armed only with a set of compasses, a set square, a staff, or a rope, and an understanding of geometry. With these tools, they built wondrous Gothic cathedrals that have inspired people for generations.

On the other hand, speculative Freemasonry can be defined as the application of Operative Freemasonry's principles for moral and intellectual development. Essentially, while Operative Masons use their rules, tools, and science to build literal, physical structures, Speculative Masons work see these craftsmen rules and tools as metaphors for building up their character as men.

Both forms of Masonry require hard work and perseverance. While the operative form requires the use of physical, strength, and skill to create magnificent structures and edifices, the speculative version of the Craft need to rely on the proficient knowledge and application of masonic laws and principles, a keen sense of perception and observation, experience, and an uncanny level of prudence to determine if a candidate for the degrees of Freemasonry is well worthy and qualified to be granted entry into our fraternity as well as the effective use of time, mentoring, and the proficiency conferral of the degrees to produce worthy members who would contribute towards the honor and prestige of the Craft.

In the latter, the burden of labor to create such good and worthy members does not fall only on the Master of the lodge and its officers, but the efforts of the lodge as a whole - to ensure that the candidate who is projected to become a member, will learn the proper culture and disposition to walk uprightly, act squarely, and remain "on the level" in his dealings with his fellowmen. Such labor cannot be rushed nor be shortened and thereby, lodges are enjoined to follow the prescribed process "as all fellows have gone, who have gone this way before"

The Volume of Sacred Law likewise states:

"And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up."

Such sacred passages enjoin us to remain steadfast in our mission, in our course, in our objective in becoming better men as the aim of Freemasonry dictates. It likewise provides a promise of corresponding wages that comes at the end of a day's labor.

Brethren, together let us labor truthfully in creating masterpieces of masons in our respective lodges while avoiding the ills of "shortcuts" and non-compliance in the conferral of degrees.

In properly raising master masons, we remain true in our creed of making good men better and in building temples inside the hearts of men.



Mount Zion #133 Pancake Breakfast & Movie!

4th Sunday, every Month, 8am – 11am & 11:30am – 1:30pm



all the Pancakes you can eat!

With potatoes, eggs, sausage, coffee, tea, cocoa, milk & orange juice

Donations:

Adults & Children over 12yrs - \$8.00 ea.

Children 8-12yrs - \$5.00 ea.

Children 5yrs & under – Free!



Golden Masonic Center

400 10th Street

Golden, Colorado, 80401



Order of the Eastern Star

Now with the exciting addition of a Sight & Sound after Breakfast Movie!

Contacts

303-279-9902	To contact Golden City Lodge #1 AF&AM, Mt Zion Chapter #133 OES, Friendship Court #7 Amaranth, Bethel #43 Job's Daughters, Columbine Assembly #96 Rainbow for Girls
303-961-6455 (Lee Miller) 303-466-8521 (Randy Penn)	For York Rite Bodies at Golden: Golden Chapter #5 RAM, Jefferson Council #24 R&SM, Jefferson Highlands Commandery #30
303-861-4261	Denver Consistory
866-289-6797	Scottish Rite Child Language Disorders Foundation
303-455-3570	El Jebel Shriners
800-237-5055	Shriners Hospital / Burn Center
303-756-9489	Rober Russell Eastern Star Masonic Center and Village
860-402-4372 (Jason Evarts) 720-786-3929 (David Barnes)	Chapter Advisor Golden DeMolay Chapter Scribe Golden DeMolay

Youth Groups

Brethren, these groups are “Masonic” Youth Groups, and as such have the requirement that Master Masons are present. Please support the future of Masonry by making time to attend their meetings.

Bethel #43 Job’s Daughters

- 2nd and 4th Mondays, 6:45pm
(Girls, 11-18 / Jobie-to-Bee 8-10)

Columbine Assembly #96

Rainbow for Girls

- 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 7pm
(Girls, 10-18 / Pledges 8-9)

Golden Chapter Order of DeMolay

- 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 7pm
(Boys, 12-21 / Squires 9-11)

Youth Group Continued...

Upcoming Meeting & Activities (Rainbow)

February

- 1 **Rainbow Meeting** (arrive at 6:30)
- 5 **Golden Lodge Dinner** (arrive at 4:30)
- 10 Ritual Tournament 9:30am in Colorado Springs
- 15 **Rainbow Meeting upstairs** -Valentine colors Night (arrive at 6:30 starts at 7:00)
- 18 GWA Science Milk Workshop in Golden (see attachment)
- 22 Advisory Board Meeting & **Youth Protection Zoom** 6:30pm
- 23 Bowling Bee Night 6-9 pm
- 25 **OES Breakfast in Golden** (Service Breakfast 8-11 am) –Hope Leader
- 29 **Youth Protection Zoom** 6:30pm

Upcoming Meeting & Activities (Job's)

February

- 12 **Installation of Officers** (arrive at 6:00)
- 26 **Job's Meeting** (arrive at 6:00)

Upcoming Meeting & Activities (DeMolay)

February

- 6 **DeMolay Meeting** (arrive at 6:30)
- 10 Ritual Tournament 9:30am in Colorado Springs
- 20 **DeMolay Meeting** (arrive at 6:30)

Calendar

Monday, February 5th

- Dinner at 6pm (Rainbow Serving)
- Regular Meeting at 7pm
- 2024 Budget Review

Wednesday, February 7th

- Pizza, Pool, and Darts

Monday, February 19th

- Normal Meeting at 7pm


Wednesday, February 21st

- Pizza, Pool, and Darts

2024 Officer Line



Worshipful Master	Benjamin Miller 720.688.4163 sundula@gmail.com
Senior Warden	Nick Puma
Junior Warden	Aaron Combe
Treasurer	Richard Wenzel
Secretary	Ryan Puckett, 720.212.1751, rpucket310@gmail.com
Senior Deacon	Devon Campbell
Junior Deacon	Bill Ott
Senior Steward	Tom McKean
Junior Steward	David Buckingham
Chaplain	Mike Current
Marshal	Tom Zumalt
Tiler	Craig Petty



Director of the Work TBD

District Lecturer Michael Tims

Committees

Welfare

Benjamin Miller (Chairman)

Tom Zumalt, Devon Campbell

Finance

Aaron Combe (Chairman)

Richard Wenzell, Ryan Puckett

Grievance

Nick Puma (Chairman)

Aaron Combe, Bill Ott

Posting

Devon Campbell (Chairman)

Tom McKean, Andrew Smith

Memorials

Bill Ott (Chairman)

Tom Zumalt, Andrew Smith

Investments

Mike Current (Chairman)

Tom McKean, Rick Wenzel

Scholarship

Tom McKean (Chairman)

Andrew Smith, Mike Current

Technology

Benjamin Miller (Chairman)

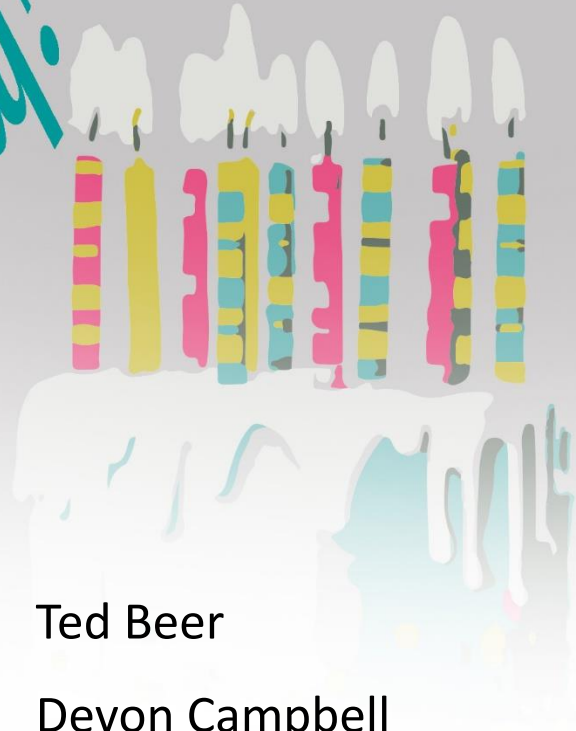
Tom Zumalt, Ryan Puckett

Education

Benjamin Miller (Chairman)

Nick Puma, Aaron Combe

Happy Birthday!



Brother

Ted Beer

Brother

Devon Campbell

Brother

Bryce Cole

Brother

Sebastian Dominguez

Brother

James Higley

Worshipful Brother

Jeffrey Lockwood

Worshipful Brother

Charles Noah

Brother

Mark Powell

Brother

Levi Wait

Worshipful Brother

Byron Walker

Brother

Victor Walker

Brother

Robert Williams

Living Past Masters

Merritt Smith	1967	Steven Walker	2014
Arthur Toney	1974	Kevin Alcox	2015
James Arbuckle	1980	Ryan Puckett	2017
Michael Mills	1984	Tom Zumalt	2018
Timothy Johansson	1985	Wyatt Page	2020
Craig Petty	1997	Drew Albrecht	2021
Byron Walker	2002	Thomas McKean	2022
Richard Wenzel	2005, 2010	Andrew Smith	2023
Chris Westerhoff	2013		

Miscellaneous

Fees for Degrees is \$150

2024 Annual Dues and Per Capita

- \$228 – Regular Members
 - (\$125 + \$103)
- \$203 – 65+ years of age with 25+ years as a Master Mason
 - (\$100 + \$103)

Items for Sale

Contact the secretary to purchase. Especially for shirts to make sure we have in your size.

Golden Lodge T Shirt	\$20
Golden Lodge Polo Shirt	\$20
Golden Lodge Challenge Coin	\$10
Clear Text Key (must be master mason)	\$35