Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Colorado P.H.A.



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GRAND MASTER'S REMARKS

"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and Lean not unto thine own understanding."

Proverbs 3 VS 5

Greetings,

Now that January is over, we are ready to get on with the rest of the year. Thank you to Centennial Lodge #4 for hosting the installation of officers for the Denver lodges. Congratulations to all the elected and appointed officers; I look forward to working with you this year. We also celebrated St. John the Evangelist Day, and our speaker for this event was our very own PM Edward Dow who gave a very moving sermon on St. John. I also like to thank the Sisters of the Order of the Eastern Star for their support and attendance. A Town Hall meeting for Southern Colorado was held January 17th, thanks to all who came out to share their thoughts and provided feedback. Western Star Lodge #6 hosted their annual Martin Luther King Jr. Banquet Sunday, January 18th, it was an excellent affair with over 250 attendees, the guest speaker Ms. Polly B. Baca a former State Senator who shared her story of growing up Hispanic in Colorado and the marches she participated in along with Dr. King; thank you to the Denver delegation who attended along with my wife and I; MWPGM Claude Gray Sr., PGWM Annette Harris, PM Roderick Williams, PM Shonetta Cooper, WM Valerie Nesbitt, Sister Robin Bruce and Ms. Audrey McCray. Great job to DDGM Watson, WM King and the committee. MWPGM De Los Reyes and I attended the 154th Grand Lodge Session of Colorado A.F. & A.M. In Pueblo, Congratulations to MWGM Dexter Koons and his officers for 2015, the session was harmonious and fun.





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FROM THE DESK OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER TERENCE JACKSON (CONT.)

We had the honor to attend a reception for Rev Cornell W. Brooks President & CEO of the NAACP in Colorado Springs Jan 23rd, this is the second time in history the leader of the NAACP has visited Colorado Springs...it was a wonderful reception, he discussed unity after the recent bombing at the local NAACP Branch Headquarters in Colorado Spring.

Sunday I had the pleasure to hear his sermon "What to do when you are doing without" 2nd Kings 4, vs 1-7. His message had four points 1) doubting you faith 2) take it to the Lord 3) Take stock 4) take to your closet. We held our annual Worshipful Masters, Wardens, Secretary and Treasurer workshop in Aurora January 24th, the attendance was great and the presentations were informative, while Brotherly Love and Comradery prevailed.

Thank you to the Master Masons in attendance; I hope the information was useful. We will post the training and lectures on our website. January 29 & 30th I attended 143rd Grand Lodge Session of Utah F. & A.M. In Salt Lake City, congratulations to MWGM Gerald J. Everett and his officers for 2015, this also was a harmonious session and I appreciated the opportunity to address the craft and other distinguish guest on the topic of "Commitment".

Thank you to GWM Freddie Cooper & DDGM Ulysses Cooper, WM Ben Fulton & Candace, PM Linda Haywood-Green, WM Harry Lee & Wendy for attending the banquet and their hospitality. I had the opportunity to visit MWPGM Blue while in Phoenix, he is now participating in physical therapy, please keep him and his family in prayer during this recovery.

February is Black History Month; please take the time to participate in your Lodge/Chapter activities or in your community. Reminder, if you would like to submit articles, pictures or information for the newsletter they are due to me the 20th of each month.

Thank you

Terence Jackson

Most Worshipful Grand Master

FROM THE DESK OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER TERENCE JACKSON (CONT.)

TO: All Elected and Appointed Grand Lodge Officers, Most Worshipful Past Grand Masters

Worshipful Masters, Concordant Bodies of Masonry Owning Allegiance to the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, F&AM, Colorado and its Jurisdiction, Inc.

GREETINGS: DIRECTIVE NO. 2014-11: MID-YEAR CONFRENCE

In accordance with my authority as the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Colorado, Wyoming and Utah I, Most Worshipful Grand Master Terence Jackson do hereby

Summon all Elected and Appointed Grand Lodge Officers, Worshipful Masters, and Wardens to assemble at The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local Union NO. 113, 2150 Naegele Road, Colorado Springs, CO 80904 at 10:00 a.m. on February 21, 2015. All MWPGM'S, PGM'S, PM'S and Brethren are invited and highly encouraged to attend.

Dress - Business Suit

The purpose of this Mid-Year Conference is to receive information from the standing committees, reports referred from the 138th Grand Lodge Session and information from Grand Lodge Staff. Pre-Registration \$20.00 - After February 8, 2015 at the door registration \$30.00. Lunch is included in registration. Any Master Mason may attend this conference; this directive is to be read at all lodge meetings leading up to February 21, 2015.

The Right Worshipful Senior Grand Warden Keith L. Weston is the point of contact for this conference kweston172@aol.com or (303) 257-2542. Please communicate the names of your members that will be attending the Mid-Year Conference. Should you have any questions pertaining to the conference, contact the R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

Take due notice and govern yourselves accordingly!

Fraternally,

Terence Jackson Most Worshipful Grand Master

Gregory Wilson Sr. Right Worshipful Grand Secretary

FROM THE DESK OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER TERENCE JACKSON (CONT.)

NAME:

Mid-Year Conference IBOEW - Local # 113 2150 Naegele Road Colorado Springs, CO 80904 Date: February 21, 2015, time 10:00AM Registration \$20.00 - deadline 8 February After 8 February, registration - \$30.00 Dress: Business Casual

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Did You Know?

- 1. Your shoes are the first thing people subconsciously notice about you. Wear nice shoes.
- 2. If you sit for more than 11 hours a day, there's a 50% chance you'll die within the next 3 years
- 3. There are at least 6 people in the world who look exactly like you. There's a 9% chance that you'll meet one of them in your lifetime.
- 4. Sleeping without a pillow reduces back pain and keeps your spine stronger.
- 5. A person's height is determined by their father, and their weight is determined by their mother.
- 6. If a part of your body "falls asleep", you can almost always "wake it up" by shaking your head.
- 7. There are three things the human brain cannot resist noticing -food, attractive people and danger
- 8. Right-handed people tend to chew food on their right side
- 9. Putting dry tea bags in gym bags or smelly shoes will absorb the unpleasant odor.
- 10. According to Albert Einstein, if honey bees were to disappear from earth, humans would be dead within 4 years.
- 11. There are so many kinds of apples, that if you ate a new one every day, it would take over 20 years to try them all.
- 12. You can survive without eating for weeks, but you will only live 11 days without sleeping.
- 13. People who laugh a lot are healthier than those who don't.
- 14. Laziness and inactivity kills just as many people as smoking.
- 15. A human brain has a capacity to store 5 times as much information as Wikipedia
- 16. Our brain uses the same amount of power as a 10-watt light bulb!!
- 17. Our body gives enough heat in 30 mins to boil 1.5 liters of water!!
- 18. The Ovum egg is the largest cell and the sperm is the smallest cell !!
- 19. Stomach acid (conc. HCl) is strong enough to dissolve razor blades!!
- 20. Take a 10-30 minute walk every day & while you walk, SMILE. It is the ultimate antidepressant.
- 21. Sit in silence for at least 10 minutes each day.
- 22. When you wake up in the morning, pray to ask God's guidance for your purpose, today.
- 23. Eat more foods that grow on trees and plants and eat less food that is manufactured in plants.
- 24. Drink green tea and plenty of water. Eat blueberries, broccoli, and almonds.
- 25. Try to make at least three people smile each day.
- 26. Don't waste your precious energy on gossip, energy vampires, issues of the past, negative thoughts or things you cannot control. Instead invest your energy in the positive present moment.
- 27. Eat breakfast like a king, lunch like a prince and dinner like a college kid with a maxed out charge card.
- 28. Life isn't fair, but it's still good.
- 29. Life is too short to waste time hating anyone. Forgive them for everything!

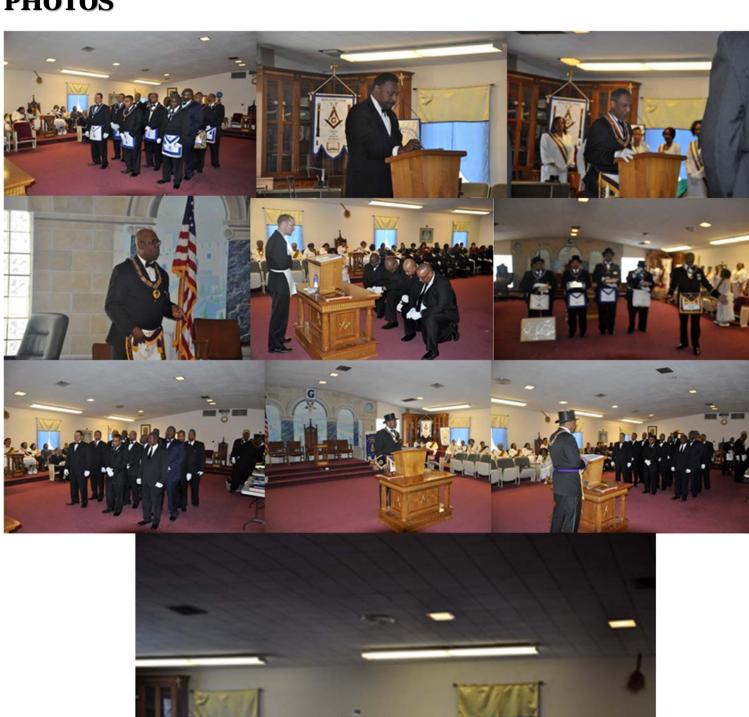
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- 30. Don't take yourself so seriously. No one else does.
- 31. You don't have to win every argument. Agree to disagree.
- 32. Make peace with your past so it won't spoil the present.
- 33. Don't compare your life to others. You have no idea what their journey is all about.
- 34. No one is in charge of your happiness except you.
- 35. Frame every so-called disaster with these words: 'In five years, will this matter?'
- 36. Help the needy, Be generous! Be a 'Giver' not a 'Taker'
- 37. What other people think of you is none of your business.
- 38. Time heals everything.
- 39. However good or bad a situation is, it will change.
- 40. Your job won't take care of you when you are sick. Your friends will. Stay in touch.
- 41. Envy is a waste of time. You already have all you need.
- 42. Each night before you go to bed, pray to God and be thankful for what you'll accomplish, today!
- 43. Remember that you are too blessed to be stressed.

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MWPHGL CALENDAR

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February 21, 2015	GL Mid-Year Conference	IBEW Local Union NO. 113, 2150 Naegele Road, Colorado Springs, CO	GL suit/ Business Dress
		80904 at 10:00 a.m.	
February 28, 2015	Queen of the South #11 Black History		
February 26, 2015	Masonic Family App. ESMC AF&AM	2445 S. Quebec, Denver	Business
March 2, 2015	Grand Master Visit RML #1	Denver	Masonic Dress
March 5-7, 2015	Phylaxis Society Convention	Ontario, California	Masonic
March 7, 2015	African American Youth Leadership Conference	Colorado College, CO Sprgs	Casual
March 7, 2015	Town Hall Meeting 1 -3pm.	Denver, TBA	GL Business Suit
March 9, 2015	Grand Master Visit Centennial #4	Denver	Masonic Dress
March 21, 2015	Grand Master Visit #2	Pueblo	Masonic Dress
March 26-29, 2015	4 Corners Conference	Las Vegas, Nevada	GL Business Suit
April 1, 2015	Executive Staff Meeting	TBD	Casual
April 4, 2015	Grand Master Class	513 N. Prospect St. COS 80903	Masonic Dress
April 4, 2015	Grand Master's Testimonial	Hotel Elegante, 2886 South Circle Drive, Col- orado Springs 80906	Business Dress
April 2, 2015	Grand Master Visit DCJ #27	Aurora	Masonic Dress
April 7, 2015	Grand Master Visit Pikes Peak# 5	513 N. Prospect St. COS 80903	Masonic Dress
April 11, 2015	Trustee Meeting	4200 East Colfax Avenue, Denver	Casual
April 23, 2015	Colorado Prince Hall Foundation Luncheon	Cheyenne Mountain Resort 3225 Broadmoor Valley Road Colorado Springs, CO 80906	Business Casual
April 16- 18, 2015	AEAONMS Gala Days	Hotel Elegante, 2886 South Circle Drive, Colorado Springs	Shrine Business
April 25, 2015	HRAM Grand Convocation/York Rite Ball	Denver, TBA	HRAM /KT Formal Dress
April 26, 2015	Zerubbabel Day , HRAM	Jurisdiction	HRAM Dress
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SICK AND DISTRESS

- Brother Leonard Dixon of Lone Star #1/Rocky Mountain Lodge #1 fell and hurt his knee. The doctors are not sure but it sounds as if he will have to have surgery. We ask that you keep him in prayer. Cards can be sent to: 3110 St. Paul St., Denver, CO 80205
- ◆ Greetings, WM Ellen Byrd is confined to CRMC Doctors are presently running tests to determine the illness. Will update as info becomes available. Please keep Sister Byrd in your prayers.
- ◆ Jerry Fisher, who is dealing with an internal illness, has been moved from St. Joseph hospital to Life Care Center of Aurora which is located at 14101 East Evans Ave., Aurora Co, 80012. Please keep the Fisher family in your prayers.
- ◆ PM Martha Leonard-McClendon had surgery once again for her foot on Monday and spent several days in the hospital. She is now at home but is in the resting phase, so Bro. McClendon has asked not to make phone calls this week. She needs time to rest and get her strength back. I will keep everyone updated as he keeps me updated. Please keep her and her family in your prayers. Thanks.
- ♦ We are asking for prayers for Noble Henry and Dt. Roberta Goodson for their son who is very ill.
- Sister Evelyn Gwyn has been released from Memorial Hospital and now located at Sunny Vista Health Care Facility, 2400 E. Cache Le Poudre St, Colorado Springs, CO 80909. She is in room 320, phone: <u>719-304-3320</u> and will be there for approximately 4 to 6 weeks. She sends her thanks for the many prayers.

SICK AND DISTRESS

- ◆ Brother Michael Washington passed Sunday Jan 11, 2015. Services will be held Jan 14, 2015. Please keep the Washington family in prayer.
- ◆ PM Charles Livingston passed Friday, Jan. 16, 2015. Services were held Jan 24, 2015. Please keep the Livingston family in prayer.
- ♦ Dt. Lillie Faye McDowell had a niece who passed away on Jan 13.
- It is with great sadness I inform you Brother John Williams Mountain Post Military
 Lodge #26 lost his nephew in Denver today. More information will follow.

COLUMBINE GRAND CHAPTER CALENDAR

Chapter	Date/Time	Purpose	City
32nd Session of The Phyllis Chapter	March 4-7, 2015	Annual Session	Ontario, CA
42nd Session of the Phylaxis Society			
Four Corners	March 25, 2015	Annual Session	Las Vegas, NV
Arizona Grand Chapter Session	May 1-3, 2015	Grand Session	Tucson, AZ
Conference of Grand Worthy Matrons and Grand Worthy Pa- trons	May 13-17, 2015	Annual Conference	Atlanta, GA
Lone Star #1	May 20 21	Vicitation/	Donvon
Evergreen #3	May 30, 31	Visitation/	Denver
Queen of the South		Queen Esther Day	
#11			
Electa #16			
Nevada Grand Chapter Session	June 4, 2015	Grand Session	Las Vegas, NV
Magnolia #14	June 13, 2015	Visitation	TBA
Star of Pueblo			
#5			
New Mexico Grand Session	June 20, 2015	Grand Session	New Mexico
Wyoming #6	July 11, 2015	Visitation	Cheyenne, WY
Queen Esther #2	June 27, 2015	Visitation	TBA
Queen of the West			
#17			
St. John the Baptist Day	June 28, 2015	Celebration Service	ТВА
139TH Grand Lodge 93rd Grand Chapter	August 9-11, 2015	Grand Session	Denver, CO
Imperial Session	August 14-20, 2015	Annual Imperial Ses- sion	Cincinnati, OH

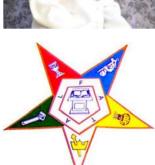
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From the Desk of the Grand Worthy Matron Freddie

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It's not what you look at that matters, it's what you see. Henry David Thoreau





Greetings:

Now that the long awaited days of the Christmas have passed, and the New Year is upon us, we can get back to business as usual. As usual? Should we? If we made a Year's Resolution, it should not be business as usual; but rather, we should determine to set and achieve new goals and get back on the right track. According to Audrey Hepburn, "Nothing is impossible, the word itself says, I'm possible!" What a clever way to dissect that word. There is a religious song to that effect: "All things are possible, if you only believe." Therefore, not following through is not an option, if we expects to reach a desired goal or realize a resolution. With faith, commitment, and determination, we can set and achieve new goals or resolutions. One resolution I am encouraging members of each Chapter to commit to is that of READING and ADHERING to local Chapter and Grand Chapter Bylaws. Later this month, I will send a letter requiring each Worthy Matron to direct the Chapter secretary to send a copy of their Chapter's Bylaws to me. Remember, in my first message you, I urged you to assist me with keeping the integrity of the Order of the Eastern Star intact by being true to its precepts, values and Landmarks. To do that, we cannot arbitrarily decide what to follow, what to change, or what to overlook to suit our individual desires.

It was Mary McLeod Bethune who said "Faith is the first factor in a life devoted to service. Without it, nothing is possible. With it, nothing is impossible. We can keep the OES intact!

ELECTION RESULTS

Congratulations to the following Sisters for accepting the position of Worthy Matron in their Chapter: Lone Star #1 -PM Yasmaine Ford; Queen Esther #2 -- WM Linda Green Haywood; Evergreen #3 --WM Shawn Robinson; Wyoming #6 -- WM Ellen Byrd; Queen of the South #11; --WM Earline Hardy; Magnolia #14 -- WM Carol Y.C. Foster; and Electa #16 -- WM Valerie Nesbitt. I look forward to the good work each of you dedicated Sisters will perform because I believe each of you live a life devoted to service and that you will insist on maintaining the integrity of the OES.

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. CELEBRATIONS

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January has been a busy month of celebrations in Utah. Several members of Queen of the West #17--Sister Patricia Boykin, Sister Bernadette Kemp, Sister Willa Kemp, Sister Edith Heath; Sister Georgia Turner and I-- participated with or served as co-organizers of several Martin Luther King, Jr. functions that included speeches, essays, and video productions by students from kindergarten through 12th grades. Those events were sponsored by the Davis School District (DSD), Utah State Office of Education (USOE), and Hill Air Force Base (HAFB). The events were hosted at the DSD and HAFB sites.

REMINDER TO ALL SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS:

Charity Day collections begin February 12 and end July 24 of each year. Although this freewill offering opportunity will permit each Chapter to use their collections for charitable purposes, the amount collected must be reported during the Grand Chapter Session.

