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Secretary's Corner

2023 is ending/2024 is beginning

Maybe it is time to review the status of your dues card. The process that has been used for the last several years should now be commonplace. If you paid the current year's dues before the middle of the year, you should have received your dues card for next year along with your dues notice. This cuts down on the costs of sending dues cards and dues notices. So here is the simple way to look at your dues card. If you do not have a 2024 dues card, that is probably because your 2023 dues had not been paid before the middle of 2023. We receive additional dues notices up to twice throughout the rest of the year. This should be sufficient notice for you to take action. If you do not have your 2024 dues card by now, then check to see if you think you paid your 2024 dues, then contact me (bcooksc@gmail.com) and I will do the research to see if we missed your check. Remember there are a few things you can do to avoid a missing check or forgetting to take care of your dues: there is a process for you to automatically get your dues paid via automatic payments or go online at the Scottish Rite web site and pay your dues with a credit card. Your status is updated on a daily basis so we should have records updated in near real time.

It is easier and quicker to get issues reviewed and resolved if you contact me with the email address I use for Scottish Rite communications. bcooksc@gmail.com.

2024 dues are due and we now have 104 members that are all paid up. And thanks to those that have also contributed to the Scottish Rite Foundation or made a donation to the Almoners fund. We still have a quarter of our members that have not paid their 2024 dues. If you are not sure where you stand, email me (bcooksc@gmail.com) and I will look up your record and give you an update.

The Spring Reunion will be upon us sooner than you think. If you are working with a Brother that has an interest in the Scottish Rite, please contact the office if you need any material or help with the petition. The online petition process is quick and easy. Check the link below.



Here is the link for the online petitions.
Make sure your candidates know this is available.

URL for the online petition: <https://scottishrite.jotform.com/213205802575956>



Br. Joe Surek 32, KCCH°

Wise Master
Chapter Rose Croix

Brethren,

It has been an honor and pleasure to serve you as Wise Master for our Southern Colorado Chapter of Rose Croix. As many of you know, work has taken me to the Western Slope, so it may be some time before I see you all again.

The greatest most recent highlight of my time in Southern Colorado Consistory, has been the opportunity to assist in making four new Masters of the Royal Secret at our recent reunion.

As I reflect on our new members and looking forward to their future journey, it is bittersweet for me, as I am passing (away across the mountains).

We all come into this fraternity for a time – and we never know how long that may be. We learn from those who have come before us, and we do our best to lead and direct its affairs for the future. If we are lucky, we get to take part in building the next generation, yet at some point, we all must depart.

Do as much as you can with the time you have.

I have learned so much from the brethren of Southern Colorado Consistory, and trust our paths will cross again.

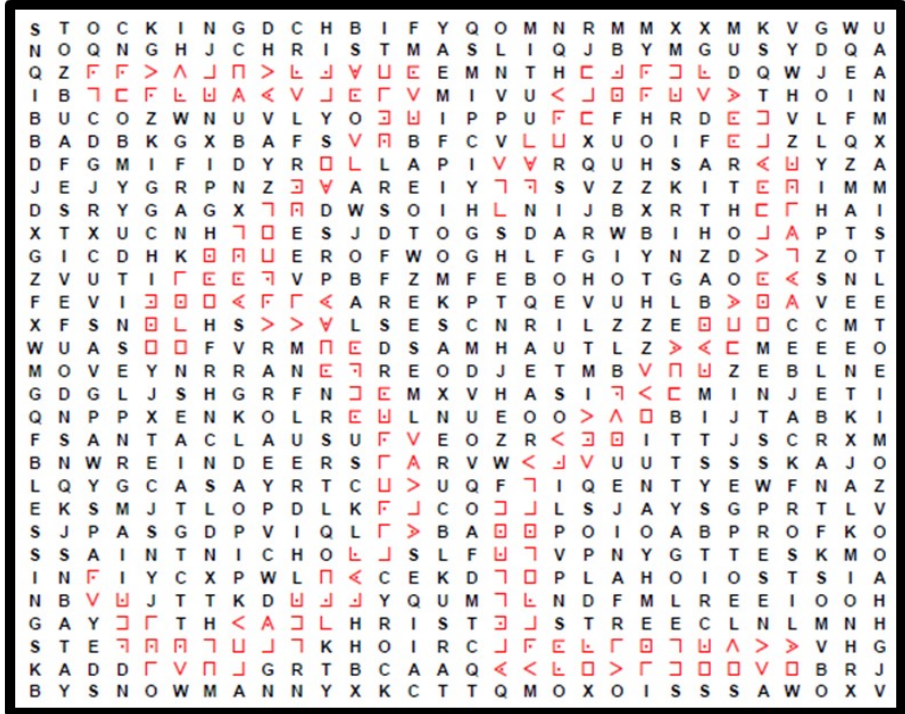
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- Atonement
- Blessings
- Celebrant
- Faith
- Feast of Trumpets
- Orthodox
- Passover
- Sanctuary



- Yom Kippur
- Christmas
- Festive
- Santa Claus
- Saint Nicholas
- Day of Atonement
- Kris Kringle
- Elves



- Snowman
- Christmas tree
- Jack Frost
- Sleigh bells

- Tinsel
- Kaddish
- Stocking
- Presents
- Fruitcake
- Chimney
- Spirit
- Scrooge



- Jolly
- Reindeer
- Caroling
- Mistletoe
- Frankincense
- Myrrh
- Nativity
- Yuletide



- Gingerbread house
- North Pole
- Chestnuts
- Angel

Fall Reunion



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Grand Lodge Members: <http://members.grandlodgeofcolorado.org/>
Promotion Of Masonry: www.beafreemason.org

CALENDAR

December 6, 2023

Open Meeting – Consistory in charge

Details

5:30 PM Punch Bowl

6:00 PM Dinner

Menu: Bolognese Lasagna, crisp tossed salad, vinaigrette dressing, and garlic butter baguettes.

Dessert tray – cookies!

Dinner cost is \$25.00/person (cash or check). To reserve your dinner(s) email sccdinnerreservation@gmail.com or call the Consistory office at 719-471-7966 and leave a message. Reservations required before 2:00PM on Saturday, December 2, 2023.

7:00 PM Meeting

Election (closed)

7:30 PM Installation of officers for 2024 (open)



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS!

Scot Morris Autry	Charles C Hillyer, III	Charles Leo Phillips
Ronald A Bowen	Dean S Hopkins	Samuel J Pisciotta
Daniel J Campbell, II	Dwain P Jack	Michael F. Reinking
Eugene R Canady, Jr	James G Johnson	Harold G Rominger
Daniel E Coburn	William T Johnson, Jr	Earl H Sandman
Nick G DeBono	Michael A Kruse	John R Stulp
Darrell T Fulkerson	Sam León	Henry H Taylor, Jr
Richard Brent Fyock	Christopher J Madril	Tam M Tran
Mark Andrew Giffin	Charles H Magness	Robert G Trevorrow
William D Greathouse	Michel-Paul Gerard Maurais	Vernon R Turner
Carl G Hagans	John R McConnell	Larry W Ward
Ricky J Haskell	David H Mendenhall	Ian Augustus Wood
Maurice Heikes	James R Myrick, Jr	James C W Wright
Kennard D Henry		



Notices received since November 30, 2023

ROSE CROIX FUNERAL TEAM

All Scottish Rite Masons in good standing are entitled to have a Rose Croix Funeral service at the time of their passing. Members should advise their families of their wishes to have this beautiful service. It is a very dignified service intended to help bring comfort to the family. The current members of the Southern Colorado Consistory Rose Croix Funeral Team are: Wise Master, Ronald Smith, 32° KCCH; Senior/Junior Warden, Charles Lewis, 32°; Junior Wardens, Blake Simmons, 32° and John Weed, 32°. If you are interested in joining the Rose Croix Funeral Team and helping them, contact the office or Blake Simmons, 32° for more information.



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We constantly work to *develop* meaningful Degrees and Programs
We endeavor to *create* opportunities for our Members
We *believe* in Fellowship
We *encourage* in Personal Growth
We *care* for our Members
We strongly *support our charity* RiteCare
(Speech and language therapy for children in need)

We *cherish* in our Historical Presence
We *honor, respect and promote* Patriotism and support our Troops / Veterans

All of this requires strong and dedicated members to accomplish our goals and tasks. And, unfortunately, ever increasing financial support. Please consider SCC in your estate planning. Planned gifts, also known as legacy gifts, are the result of financial planning often involving a future estate. These gifts include bequests in wills, trusts, life insurance, personal property, and annuities. Such gifts would allow SCC to continue Scottish Rite activities. Thank you in advance for any and all support!