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17 October 2026

Agenda

1. Opening
2. Roll Call of Officers
3. Reading of Previous Minutes – PM Demetrius Lamb
4. Sickness & Distress – From the Floor
5. Correspondence & Bills – PM Demetrius Lamb
6. Treasurer's Report – PM Aller Delarosa
7. Reading of Petitions & Balloting – PM Demetrius Lamb
 - Brother Kenneth Lewis: Petition for Affiliation
 - Brother Philip Littlejohn: Petition for Affiliation
8. Committee Reports - **None**
9. Old Business
 - Masonica 2026
 - Fall Festival
 - St. John the Evangelist Day Venue
 - Thanksgiving Basket Giveaway
 - Sock, Glove, & Food Drive
10. New Business
 - End of Year Reports
 - Audit
 - Thanksgiving & Christmas Community Service at Springs Rescue Mission
 - Christmas Raffle
 - Lodge Holiday Party
 - Master Mason Proficiency – Class "Iron 2 Brotherhood"

11. Lecture – The Lesser Lights – Rule & Govern: Balance of Authority & Influence
12. Visiting & Departing Brothers
13. Good of the Order
14. Receipts of the Day & Disbursements
15. Edict of the Day
 - Edict No. 17, Section 217. Lodge Work, Section 217.01
16. Closing

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August 15, 2026

TO: All Elected and Appointed Grand Lodge Officers, Most Worshipful Past Grand Masters, Worshipful Masters, Grand Worthy Matron and Grand Worthy Patron, Columbine Grand Chapter Order of the Eastern Star PHA Concordant and Appendant Bodies of Masonry Owing Allegiance to the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, F&AM, Colorado and its Jurisdiction, Inc.

GREETINGS: Proclamation No. 2026/27 - 002: Saint John the Evangelist Day

In accordance with the established customs and traditions, know ye, that I, Jeffery O. Alexander, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Prince Hall Masons in the State of Colorado and Its Jurisdiction, do hereby proclaim the 27th day of December 2026, Saint John the Evangelist Day and direct all lodges to celebrate on or near the above date in a church, lodge, or other suitable public place.

All Lodges will notify their Sister Chapters, Order of the Eastern Star of the time and place of the local ceremonies that you choose to celebrate.

The enclosed proclamation shall be read at all lodge communications leading up to this date and during the ceremony to commemorate Saint John the Evangelist.

Given under my hand and seal of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, of Colorado and Its Jurisdiction, affixed hereto, on this 15th day of August in the year of our Lord Anno Lucis 6026, Anno Domini 2026

Fraternally

Jeffery O. Alexander
Most Worshipful Grand Master
MWPHGL of Colorado



Attest:

Michael L. Cousar
Right Worshipful Grand Secretary
MWPHGL of Colorado

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“Saint John the Evangelist”

Whereas, in agreement with established Masonic customs and traditions, all lodges under the direction of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of Colorado and its Jurisdiction, Inc., honor and pay tribute to Saint John the Evangelist, and;

Whereas, John, the Evangelist and Apostle of Jesus was born in Bethsaida, in Galilee, a son of Zebedee and Salome, the fisherman who became the beloved disciple, and;

Whereas, John the Apostle of Love, the man whom Jesus loved and who distinguished himself by his gentleness and humility, and;

Whereas, John wrote the Gospel and the three epistles bearing his name, and the Book of Revelation, and;

Whereas, John the Evangelist is one of Freemasonry's Patron Saints, and;

Therefore, be it resolved, that Prince Hall Masons in the States of Colorado, Wyoming, and Utah celebrate our Patron, Saint John the Evangelist, I now Proclaim, Sunday the 27th day of December 2026, Saint John the Evangelist Day.



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NOVEMBER 28, 2026

7PM-11PM

EMBASSY SUITES

4444 N HAVANA
AURORA CO 80239

6TH ANNUAL

BLACK PARTY

ALL BLACK ATTIRE REQUESTED

\$45

PER PERSON

\$70

A COUPLE

\$350

A TABLE OF 10

A BLOCK OF ROOMS HAS BEEN SET
FOR A DISCOUNTED RATE OF \$130
UNTIL NOVEMBER 14

QUESTIONS



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SCAN TO PURCHASE TICKETS

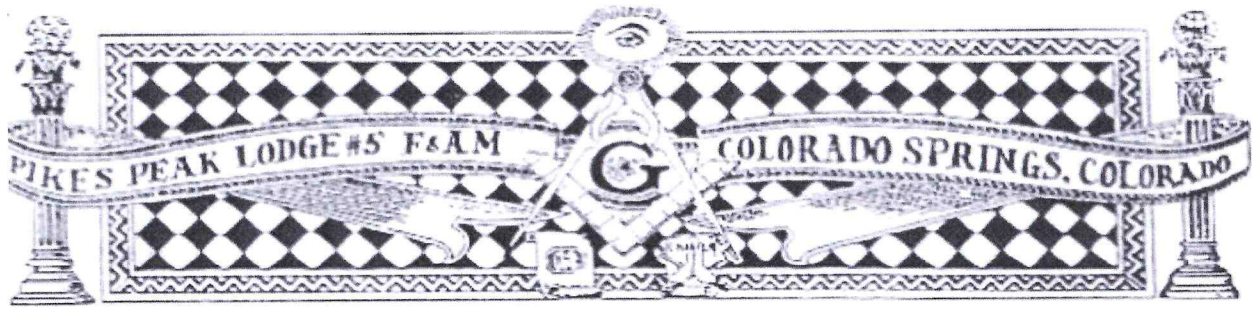


POWERED BY ZEFFY

SOCIAL HOUR 6:30-7

DOORS OPEN AT 7

POWERED BY DJ KIMANI



Oct 10, 2026

To: Worshipful Master, Wardens, Officers, Past Masters, and Brethren
From: PM Aller Delarosa, Treasurer
Subject: Treasurer Report for September 2026

Greetings,

I humbly submit the treasury report of Pike's Peak Lodge #5 for 1-30 September 2026. Below is the summary of bank accounts with Security Services Federal Credit Union. Attachment 1 is the detailed transactions for each account, and attachment 2 is the gen. fund checking account bank statement.

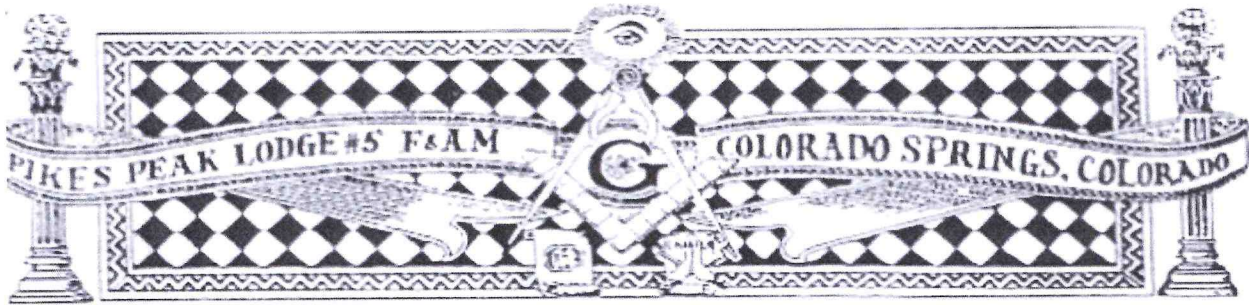
Account Name	Account Number	Current Balance	Available Funds
Business Savings	71000 (Gen Fund)	\$532.61	\$532.61
Business Savings	72000 (Bldg. Fund)	\$305.40	\$305.40
Business Savings	91000 (Raffle)	\$5.00	\$5.00
Non-Profit Business Checking	71071 (Gen. fund)	\$2,707.80	\$2,707.80
Non-Profit Business Checking	72071 (Bldg. Fund)	\$1,664.27	\$1,664.27
Non-Profit Business Checking	91071 (Raffle)	\$1,301.22	\$1,301.22
ENDING BALANCE 30 Sep 2026		\$6,516.30	\$6,516.30
Total Income		\$2,707.83	
Total Disbursements		\$1,695.20	Net: \$1,012.63

Fraternally Submitted,


PM Aller Delarosa, Treasurer
Pike's Peak Lodge #5

Attachments:

1. Detailed breakdown of each bank accounts
2. Bank Statement, Account #71071



PIKES PEAK LODGE No. 5 F&AM

Treasurer Report 1-30 September 2026

Attachment 1: Bank accounts breakdown

Business Savings (Gen Funds) - Account 71000

Beginning Balance as of 31 Aug 2026 **\$532.59**

DATE	DESCRIPTION	MEMO	AMOUNT
30 Sep 26	IOD Interest Paid		\$0.02
ENDING BALANCE 30 Sep 2026			\$532.61

Business Savings (Bldg. Funds) -Account 72000

Beginning Balance as of 31 Aug 2026 **\$305.39**

DATE	DESCRIPTION	MEMO	AMOUNT
30 Sep 26	Interest Paid		\$0.01
ENDING BALANCE 30 Sep 2026			\$305.40

Business Savings (Raffle Funds) -Account 91000

Beginning Balance as of 31 Aug 2026 **\$5.00**

DATE	DESCRIPTION	MEMO	AMOUNT
	<i>NO TRANSACTIONS</i>		
ENDING BALANCE 30 Sep 2026			\$5.00

Business Checking (Gen Funds) -Account 71071

Beginning Balance as of 31 Aug 2026

\$1,542.50

DATE	DESCRIPTION	MEMO	AMOUNT
19 Sep 26	Income	Includes \$1,400.00 AFA fund raising, \$5.00 WAA, and \$305.00 collection for Bro Daniels	\$2,860.50
1-30 Sep 26	Lodge Operations	Auto Pay	-\$795.65
	Grand Lodge Taxes		-\$0.00
	Official Expenses	None	-\$0.00
19 Sep 26	Social Events	Bro Rodriguez-reimbursement -GM visit	-\$294.55
19 Sep 26	Charity	Bro. Demetrius Daniels	-\$305.00
19 Sep 26	A/C Repair	Cash withdrawal via ATM	-300.00
ENDING BALANCE 30 Sep 2026			\$2,707.80

Legend**Income** – Dues, rent, etc. received via checks, cash, or money transfer apps**Lodge Operations** – Utilities, trash, internet, insurance, website/email maintenance fees, etc.**Grand Lodge Taxes** – Quarterly**Official Expense** – Officers travel, registration, lodging, or other expense directed by Worshipful Master**Social Events** – Masonic celebration, and any other events directed by the Worshipful Master**Charity** – Monetary Contribution to charitable institution, masonic family or member**Business Checking (Bldg. Funds) -Account 72071**

Beginning Balance as of 31 Aug 2026

\$1,664.27

DATE	DESCRIPTION	MEMO	AMOUNT
	<i>No Transaction</i>		\$
			\$
ENDING BALANCE 30 Sep 2026			\$1,664.27

Business Checking (Raffle Funds) -Account 91071

Beginning Balance as of 31 Aug 2026

\$1,301.22

DATE	DESCRIPTION	MEMO	Amount
	<i>No Transaction</i>		\$
			\$
ENDING BALANCE 30 Sep 2026			\$1,301.22



Account Details

Your Current Balance includes deposits made on the previous business day and any amounts on hold. Checking Account transactions are available online for at least 60 days. To view transactions beyond 60 days, go to **View Statements**. To view check images, click on Check number links.

[Back to Account Summary](#)

Account Snapshot

		Account:
NON PROFIT BUSINESS CHECKING ***71071		▼
		Options:
I'd like to...		▼
NON PROFIT BUSINESS CHECKING 5498071071		—
Dividends Paid Current Year:	\$0.00	
Dividends Paid Prior Year:	\$0.00	
Current Balance:	\$2,707.80	
Amount on Hold:	\$0.00	
Available Balance:	\$2,707.80	

Transactions

Search:

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Transaction Type:

All▼

Date Range:

09/01/2026

to

09/30/2026

Filter

Date	Description	Amount	Balance
09/23	Colo Spgs Utilit	-\$283.15	\$2,707.80
09/22	CHECK 2145 INCLEARING CK	-\$305.00	\$2,990.95
09/22	CHECK 2146 INCLEARING CK	-\$294.55	\$3,295.95
09/22	DEPOSIT	\$2,860.50	\$3,590.50
09/19	09/19 POWERS & BARNES 58	-\$300.00	\$730.00
09/15	QUANTUM FIBER	-\$50.00	\$1,030.00
09/10	STATE FARM RO 27	-\$333.50	\$1,080.00
09/09	LumenCenturyLink	-\$65.00	\$1,413.50
09/02	WASTE CONNECTION	-\$64.00	\$1,478.50

View Statements to view transactions beyond 60 days.



The Lesser Lights - Rule & Govern: Balance of Authority & Influence

Among the many titles available to a Mason, few are as sought after as the position of Worshipful Master. The East represents more than a position of prestige; it symbolizes the culmination of preparation, discipline, service, & leadership. Every Worshipful Master is entrusted with the responsibility to “rule & govern his lodge with equal regularity” - a phrase repeated within our ritual that many brethren hear it without fully understanding its meaning. Yet within that phrase lies one of the most profound lessons in Masonic leadership. To rule & govern is not just presiding over meetings, enforcing bylaws, or directing the affairs of a Lodge. It is to understand the delicate balance between authority & influence, power & wisdom, command & example. A successful Master is neither a tyrant who demands obedience nor a passive figure who avoids difficult decisions. He is a leader who understands when to exercise authority & when to inspire others through character, example, & counsel.

As we examine the concepts of ruling & governing, it is impossible to ignore a major symbol found every Lodge, the Lesser Lights. Traditionally represented by three burning tapers situated about the altar, the Lesser Lights symbolize the Sun, Moon, & Master of the Lodge. At first, you may question why would the “Master of the Lodge” be placed alongside the Sun & Moon? Also, why are these symbols referred to as “lesser” lights when they are essential to the operation of the lodge? While there are multiple ways to answer this, I would like to focus on one specifically which reveals one of the deepest lessons in Masonic leadership. The Great Lights; the Volume of Sacred Law, Square, & Compasses represent eternal truth, divine law, & moral conduct. They derive their authority from God & from absolute principles that transcend the individual Mason. The Lesser Lights, however, do not create truth; they illuminate it. Just as the Sun & Moon shed light upon the earth, the Master of the Lodge sheds light upon the teachings & principles already contained within the Great Lights. The Master, represented as the third Lesser Light, stands between these two principles. His duty is not to imitate the Sun or the Moon, but to harmonize them. To understand this balance, we must first examine the meanings of the words themselves.

Rule can be defined as exercising ultimate authority or power over a people, organization, or domain. Masonically, this is illustrated by the sun, which our ritual identifies as the great luminary that rules the day. The sun occupies the center of our solar system & exerts an influence over every planet within it. It provides light, heat, energy, & life itself. The changing seasons, the growth of crops, even the air we breathe are all dependent upon the sun’s continual presence. Without its light, life as we know it would not exist. Because of this role, the sun serves as a fitting symbol for authority. In the Lodge, this is reflected in the three principal officers. The Worshipful Master in the East, represents the rising sun; the Senior Warden in the West, represents the setting sun, & the Junior Warden in the South, represents the sun at meridian height. Therefore, the Worshipful

Master occupies a position similar to the sun. He provides direction, illumination, & purpose. He establishes the vision of the Lodge, maintains order, & ensures the work proceeds according to ancient landmarks & established principles. Biblically, the sun is used as a symbol of authority & dominion. In Genesis 1:16, it states that God creates “the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night.” Also, in Joseph’s dream in Genesis 37, the sun represents his father Jacob, the patriarchal authority of the family. Throughout scripture, the imagery of the sun points toward kingship, governance, & divine authority. Esoterically, the sun represents the active, creative principle. Ancient civilizations associated it with kings, priests, and divine rulers. In Egyptian symbolism, the solar deity Ra governed the cosmic order. In Hermetic traditions, the sun symbolized illumination, consciousness, & mastery over the lower nature. Thus, when a Master is called to rule, he is symbolically called to serve as a source of light, wisdom, & direction for those under his care. However, authority alone is insufficient.

Govern can be defined as guiding, directing, influencing, & regulating conduct through wisdom & example. Governance concerns not just controlling actions but shaping character. Masonry associates governance with the moon, which governs the night. Unlike the sun, the moon produces no light of its own. Instead, it reflects the light of the sun. Despite its secondary role, its influence upon the earth is indisputable. The moon regulates tides, affects natural cycles, & provides illumination during darkness. While the sun commands attention through its power, the moon exerts influence through its presence. This distinction is noteworthy. The moon teaches that true leadership is not always expressed through command. It is demonstrated through reflection, guidance, & influence. The greatest leaders do not simply tell others what to do; they inspire others to become better versions of themselves. This principle appears throughout Scripture. Moses ruled Israel, but he governed through instruction, patience, & example. King Solomon possessed authority, yet his greatness stemmed from wisdom rather than force. Even Christ governed through teaching, parables, & personal example rather than force. The Quran also emphasizes leadership through justice & wisdom. In Surah An-Nahl 16:125, believers are instructed to invite others with wisdom & beautiful preaching. Leadership is presented not merely as authority but as the ability to guide hearts and minds toward righteousness.

Esoterically, the moon represents intuition, reflection, receptivity, & the subconscious mind. Just as the moon reflects the sun’s light, a leader reflects higher principles into practical action. Governance therefore requires emotional intelligence, self-control, discernment, & the ability to understand the needs of others. A Lodge governed solely through authority may function, but it will seldom thrive. Members may obey, yet they will not be inspired. Governance transforms mere participation into genuine engagement. The sun & moon provide one of nature’s greatest lessons in balance. While they perform different functions, they work together to sustain life & maintain order. Neither is sufficient by itself. Together they create harmony. Likewise, a Worshipful Master must balance ruling & governing. Too much governance without authority can create confusion & indecision. A leader who constantly seeks consensus yet never makes decisions may be perceived as ineffective. Contrarily, too much ruling without governance creates resentment & division. Members may comply outwardly while becoming disengaged inwardly. The Lodge may operate efficiently, but its spirit & harmony will suffer. This balance is what is meant by the phrase “with equal regularity.” The word equal implies fairness, proportion, & balance. Regularity implies consistency, order, & predictability. Just as the 24-inch gauge teaches the proper division of time, the concept of ruling & governing teaches the proper division of leadership.

History offers numerous examples of rulers who understood this balance. The Roman emperor & Marcus Aurelius exercised massive authority, yet he is remembered for his wisdom, humility, & service. His influence extended far beyond his throne because he governed through virtue. Likewise, King Solomon ruled one of the most prosperous kingdoms in biblical history. Yet his fame rested not upon military power but upon wisdom, judgment, & understanding. Mufasa from The Lion King serves as an example of balanced leadership. He possessed unquestioned authority, yet he governed through instruction, love, & personal example. His son Simba respected him not because he feared him, but because he admired him. By contrast, Scar in The Lion King & Commodus in the movie Gladiator sought control without wisdom. Their leadership relied upon fear, manipulation, & self-interest. While they gained power, they ultimately lost legitimacy because they failed to govern hearts & minds. History demonstrates that authority may secure obedience, but only character secures loyalty.

The lessons of ruling & governing extend far beyond the Lodge. A successful employer must balance policies with mentorship. A parent must balance discipline with compassion. A coach must balance expectations with encouragement. A pastor must balance conviction with grace. The most effective leaders in government, business, education, & community organizations understand that leadership is not measured by how many people follow orders, but by how many people are inspired to improve themselves. Within Masonry, this principle is important. Lodges do not thrive because of titles or authority. They thrive because leaders cultivate trust, encourage participation, develop future leaders, & create an atmosphere where every brother feels valued. The Worshipful Master who learns to both rule & govern leaves behind more than just meetings. He leaves behind stronger Masons, stronger officers, & a stronger Lodge.

In closing, the phrase “rule & govern with equal regularity” contains one of the greatest leadership lessons found in Masonry. Every brother who aspires to attain leadership should therefore ask himself several questions:

- Do my brothers respect me, or just obey me?
- Do I seek wisdom from experienced brothers & Past Masters?
- Do I listen before I decide?
- Do I inspire participation, or simply demand it?
- Am I building consensus while maintaining direction?
- Am I creating future leaders, or merely maintaining control?

The answers to these questions reveal more than one’s ability to preside over a Lodge. They reveal whether one has learned the deeper Masonic lesson embodied in the sun & moon themselves; that the greatest leaders are those who possess the strength to rule, the wisdom to govern, & the humility to balance both with equal regularity.

Fraternally Submitted,

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