

# **Northeast Colorado Lodges Officer Installation**

**Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Colorado**



**December 9, 2008  
Sterling, CO**

## **Installing Officers**

**Most Worshipful Brother Edward I. Zorn**  
Past Grand Master of Masons of Colorado

**Worshipful Brother Dana A. Speaks**  
Junior Grand Deacon

**Worshipful Brother Dick Harden**  
Past Master

**Worshipful Brother Thor Bauer**  
Past Master

**STERLING LODGE #54**  
**Chartered in October 1883**

Worshipful Master	Russell "Russ" Silvey
Senior Warden	Greg Brubacher
Junior Warden	Cecil Souders, PM
Treasurer	Harry Peterson, PM
Secretary	James "Jim" Rusk, PM
Senior Deacon	James "Jim" Stewart
Junior Deacon	Michael "Mike" Tait
Marshall	Earl Craddock
Chaplain	Robert "Bob" Elsloo, PM
Senior Steward	Gerald "Jerry" Wardrip, PM
Junior Steward	Dale Blake
Tyler	Scott Deines

**AKRON LODGE #74**  
**Chartered in September 1889**

Worshipful Master	Michael Anderson, PM
Senior Warden	Wayne King
Junior Warden	Ricky L. "Rick" Benish, PM
Treasurer	David W. King, PM
Secretary	Charles G. Johnson, SGW
Senior Deacon	Gerald Thorndyke, PM
Junior Deacon	Jere Goodman, PM
Senior Steward	Quentin Vance
Junior Steward	Robert Goodman, PM
Tyler	Gerald O. Sievers, PM

**HOLYOKE LODGE #81**  
**Chartered in September 1890**

Worshipful Master	Larry Sommerset
Senior Warden	Harold Blecha
Junior Warden	Doyle Orcutt
Treasurer	Bud Brewer
Secretary	Howard Meakins
Tyler	Bill Engelker

**BRUSH LODGE #123**  
**Chartered in September 1906**

Worshipful Master	Richard Hudson, PM
Senior Warden	John Morris, PM
Junior Warden	Brent Mahagen
Treasurer	Robert Pennington, PM
Secretary	Bob Bever, PM
Senior Deacon	Ernie Naranjo
Junior Deacon	James Morris
Marshall	Frank Marquardt, PM
Chaplain	Harold Peterson
Senior Steward	Eldwin Brito
Junior Steward	Leo August
Tyler	Larry Bodaness, PM

## **HISTORY OF NORTHEAST COLORADO MASONIC LODGES**

### **STERLING LODGE # 54**

Sterling #54 was the first of Northeast Lodges to be granted a dispensation in the spring of 1883. The first meeting was held upstairs in the only two story building located on Main Street. In 1891, they moved to a new location known as Central Hall. In 1977 they moved to their present facility on Springdale Road. The Brethren of #54 commemorated their 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2008.

### **AKRON LODGE #74**

Akron Lodge #74 was formed in the summer of 1888. The Lodge has survived two catastrophic fires which destroyed the furniture but spared the minute books. The current building was erected in 1951 and shares the facility with Chapter #26 of Royal Arch Masons.

### **HOLYOKE LODGE #81**

Early in the spring of 1890 application was made for dispensation to form a Lodge at Holyoke, and at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge that September, charter was granted. The first communication of Holyoke Lodge No. 81 was held October 3, 1890. In February of 1911 the Lodge suffered a fire and many of the early records were destroyed. In 1951, construction on the current building began, the cornerstone being laid on February 9, 1952. In September, 1952, Holyoke Lodge met in its new Temple. The lodge hall was dedicated April 11, 1953 by the Grand Lodge of Colorado.

### **BRUSH LODGE #123**

Brush Lodge #123 was conceived in the spring of 1906 when a group of Master Masons residing in the community made efforts to seek a dispensation. The Brethren of #123 commemorated their 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2006.