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There is a Zoom meeting on Tuesday, October 6th!

Meetings begin at 7:00pm.

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### The President's Message

The RMLA officers have decided to discount all registered members' dues to \$25.00 and each Associate member to \$50.00. This should help going into the next year, providing a lower cost due to business levels that have not recovered due to the virus we have been battling.

We also will need members stepping up to take on Board duties. Here is a list of Board positions that will need to be voted on in our January meeting: Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Sargent of Arms, and Director positions.

Here are the Officers of the Board this year and they will need to inform us if they want to continue into our 2021 year and we can vote accordingly. We have a lot of locksmith expertise on the Board. The Board is made up of volunteers who take time out from their work and families to be such a major part of the Rocky Mountain Locksmith Association. I am very humbled to work with these individuals with their excellent knowledge of locksmithing and teaching locksmiths: John Todd (Vice President), Dave Green (Secretary), Kent Smith (Treasurer), Josh Regan (Sargent of Arms), Barry Meyer (Director and Consultant), John Brown (Past President and Director), David Ayers (Education Director), and Chuck Haas (Education Lifetime Position).

The biggest accomplishment of the Board was to establish Zoom meetings this year for members and to make sure the Association was available for its members. This year is one in which we all had to find a way to maneuver to make money amongst several obstacles and business closures. I hope we can have in-person meetings sometime next year.

This is October but this is the time to start organizing for our 2021 year. We are members of a professional Locksmith Association. As we make plans for the 2021 Fiscal year, we want to meet your needs. With that being said, your input is important as we start putting together education for the 2021 year and lining up vendors for Plug a Product. We have available to us several individuals that have expertise that can help with products that you're struggling with. Maybe you want to do motorcycles or lock picking or safes? We want to be available to help in sharpening your skill set. This is the time of year that, with your individual input, we can manage what we can do for you. Does your company hire and train locksmiths? What better way for them to learn about locksmithing than from an Association that is here to help teach and inform them on what products are best to use and who to call if they need information when they're out on a call. I find the more you are introduced to the same products and tools, the better and faster job you can do in the field.

Thanks to all of you who make RMLA successful

Bill Rosell  
President

### Top News from the Board

- Please accept my apology for failing to get an invitation to each of the members and Board members for the September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020, Zoom meeting. As with most mistakes, we learned something. Instead of sending an invitation just prior to the first Tuesday of each month we are going to post it in the monthly newsletter. To come to the meetings, Google “Zoom Meetings” and follow the prompts. We suggest starting 15 minutes early in case you run into technical issues. The meetings begin at 7:00pm.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83694280430?pwd=V3NxNzFoaHB0SjFnNmFTZDNDK1J1UT09>

Meeting ID: 836 9428 0430

Passcode: 358956

- Congratulations to Mario Chang from Atlas Safe and Vault in Denver for becoming a “Certified Safe Tech”. All of your hard work has paid off!
- The RMLA Board had a special guest for their September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020, meeting. Rachel Shelton from American Income Life joined us to share some of the benefits of carrying their insurance. Look at “AIL Plus” for discounts on eyeglasses and hearing aids. They also offer a “will kit” for making funeral plans. At the very least, send in your information card for the cost free \$3,500 accidental death and dismemberment. It will help your family if the unexpected happens.
- David Ayers shared a timely tip this month. With the weather changing and mask mandates in place, fogged glasses are a problem for many of us. David suggested that anti fog solution is available from local motorcycle shops. Motorcyclists use it on their visors to stop fogging from occurring. Thanks for the tip David!
- Our upcoming October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020, membership meeting will be a business meeting. Kevin Dunn, of Elliott and Associates, will be sharing information on a lock product called Townsteel. Take some time to catch up with other locksmiths and learn something about Townsteel.

Business Meetings:  
January, April, July, and October

Educational Meetings:  
February, May, June, August, September, and November

Induction Meeting:  
March

Christmas Party:  
December

### Birthdays

Stephen Stratton, 10/2  
Bradford Lewis, 10/7  
Joshua Leach, 10/31



Got some “Sunshine” for the Rockey Press?  
Please send the editor an email at [rmlapress@gmail.com](mailto:rmlapress@gmail.com) by the 20th of the month.

“Sunshine” news can be about health, a compliment, a community honor, etc.

Why did the bullet end up losing his job?  
He got fired.

The first rule of the Alzheimer's club is...  
Wait, where are we again?

What's the difference between an oral thermometer and a rectal thermometer?  
The taste, mostly.

I want to thank President Rosell for his message in the September issue of the Rocky Press and especially for including the letters from the Denver Area Superintendents. These difficult and divisive times call for less judgement of those different from ourselves, and more tolerance, even understanding and compassion, especially for those who are struggling.

You are correct. Most of us have it pretty darn good. If we choose to work hard, and follow the rules, we can have a relatively easy path to success. That is not true for all people. Reading Rico's experience humbles me and makes me all the more aware how easy I have it.

Thank you,  
Bradford Lewis

I have just finished reading a book that I'd like to share with my fellow locksmiths. It's called Other People's Pets and it's written by a front range author named R L Maize (no connection to RL Security).

It's, in part, about a locksmith who unfortunately moonlights as a house burglar, and his daughter, who is studying to be a vet and has a special talent with animals. I found it to be very interesting and a quick-read and recommend it to anyone looking for something light to read.

Another great book about a locksmith is called Keys to the City by Joel Kostman. This book is all about stories told by a New York locksmith as he unlocks cars and houses, rekeys and performs other typical locksmith services. I think most of us can relate to his experiences with customers. He's a great writer and I wish he'd write a sequel so I could hear more of his stories.

Both books are available on Amazon or through your local bookstore (they appreciate the business).

Here are a couple reviews of "Other People's Pets":

<https://www.boulderweekly.com/entertainment/imperfect-characters/>

[https://www.washingtonpost.com/entertainment/books/in-rl-maizes-other-peoples-pets-an-aspiring-veterinarian-turns-to-a-life-of-crime/2020/07/29/bf09fa72-d1ca-11ea-8d32-1ebf4e9d8e0d\\_story.html](https://www.washingtonpost.com/entertainment/books/in-rl-maizes-other-peoples-pets-an-aspiring-veterinarian-turns-to-a-life-of-crime/2020/07/29/bf09fa72-d1ca-11ea-8d32-1ebf4e9d8e0d_story.html)

And one about "Keys to the City":

[https://www.goodreads.com/en/book/show/791909.Keys\\_to\\_the\\_City](https://www.goodreads.com/en/book/show/791909.Keys_to_the_City)

Book Recommendations from Bradford Lewis

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The Executive Board wants to do everything possible to make the RMLA a valuable tool for you. To do this, we need to know what you would like to see at education meetings or in *The Rockey Press*. Please take time to express your ideas and comments to us in writing, by phone, or in person.

**Rocky Mountain Locksmiths' Association Code of Ethics**

It is the duty of each member to perpetuate and advance the dignity of locksmiths and locksmith trade through the fairest possible dealings with all person, be they fellow locksmiths, clients, or other persons.

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**Membership Round-Up**

Whom will you sponsor this year as a member for the RMLA? Do you know a locksmith that is not a member, but should be or would like to be? Ask them to join the Rocky Mountain Locksmiths' Association. After all, we look forward to having other distinguished locksmiths among our ranks. We can all learn from those around us and new faces may mean new ideas.

**Committees**

**Not all committees are listed. For more information on RMLA committees, see the RMLA Membership Manual.**

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