



ALLEGIANCE

The several Bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, sitting in the Valley of Chattanooga, Orient of Tennessee, acknowledge and yield Allegiance to The Supreme Council (Mother Council of the World) of the Inspectors General Knights Commanders of the House of the Temple of Solomon of the Thirty-Third Degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America, of which Ronald A. Seale, 33°, is Sovereign Grand Commander William Gene Sizemore, II, 33°, is Grand Executive Director Joseph C. Harrison, 33°, is SGIG in Tennessee Joel L. Bremer, 33°, is Personal Representative of the SGIG Terry L. Plemons, 33°, is Assistant Personal Rep. of the SGIG

ADVISORY CONFERENCE

Venerable Master.....Dennis Phillips, 33°
Wise Master.....Johnny E. Thompson, 33°
Commander.....Robert E. Hall, 33°
Master of Kadosh.....
Secretary.....William E. Barber, 33°
Treasurer.....Charles T. Millirons, Jr., 33°
Past Wise Master.....Bobby G. Officer, 33°
Past Commander.....Terry L. Plemons, 33°
Past Master of Kadosh.....Roy W. Browning, 33°
Almoner.....B. Don Aldridge, 33°

Dates to Remember

Oct 2, 2016.....Shoe Distribution.....Noon
Oct 13, 2016.....Advisory Conference 5:00 PM
Society Mtg & Meal 6:30 PM
LOP Mtg 7:30 PM
Oct 21-22, 2016.....Fall Reunion
Nov 10, 2016.....Advisory Conference 5:00 PM
Society Mtg & Meal 6:30 PM
LOP Mtg 7:30 PM
Nov 24, 2016.....Office Closed for Thanksgiving
Dec 8, 2016.....Advisory Conference 5:00 PM
Society Mtg & Meal 6:30 PM
LOP Mtg 7:30 PM
Dec 11, 2016.....Shoe Distribution
Dec 21 thru Dec 26, 2016.....Office Closed for Christmas



In Remembrance of our Deceased Brothers

- William E. Fulks, 33°
Joe Kenneth Wallace, 32°
Robert Elbert Cooper, 33°
Jack Michael Keefe, °
Billie Bruce Guthrie, 32°
Joseph Rodger Owens, 32°
Bobby Joe Skinner, 32°

CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

CHATTANOOGA

Jim Arnhart, 32° KCCH, President
Volney Farned, 32° KCCH, Secretary
Meeting 2nd Thursday
Dinner – 6:30 PM EDT.....Scottish Rite Center

BRADLEY COUNTY

Van Swearingen, 32° KCCH, President
William J. Herron, 32°, Secretary/Treasurer
Meets Quarterly (March-June-Sept-Dec)
2nd Tuesday, 6:30 PM EDT.....Old Fort Restaurant

GRUNDY COUNTY

Jim Parrott, 32°, President
Bill Hargis, 33°, Secretary
Meeting 4th Monday, 6:30 PM CDT

MCMINN COUNTY

W. A. PRICE – MARION COUNTY

Dennis Phillips, 33°, President
Kermit Grissom, 32° KCCH, Secretary/Treasurer
Meeting 3rd Tuesday, 6:30 PM CDT
Sequatchie Valley Shrine Club.....Jasper, TN

RHEA COUNTY

Gary Whittaker, 32° KCCH, President
Jason Lankford, 32°, Secretary/Treasurer
Meeting 4th Monday, 6:30 PM EDT

SEQUATCHIE COUNTY

Troy Ballard, 32° KCCH, President
Meeting 1st Thursday 6:00 PM
The Cookie Jar.....Dunlap, TN

WARREN COUNTY

WHITE COUNTY

Lee Melton, 32° KCCH, President
Robert Hall, 33°, Secretary
Meeting 4th Tuesday 6:00 PM CDT
Casa Luna Restaurant.....Sparta, TN



Brother John Frank Thompson, 33°, was raised a Master Mason in 1950 and is a member of Marion Lodge #515 for more than 65 years. He served as Master in 1954 and again in 1967.

He was a charter member of the Chattanooga Scottish Rite Bodies in 1969, elected KCCH in 1973 and Inspector General Honorary 33° in 1977. He is a Past President of W. A. Price Scottish Rite Club in Marion County. John served on the Advisory Board as Commander of Kadosh for four years and was Venerable Master from 1990-1993. He served as Personal Representative of the SGIG from January, 1992 until April, 2002.

He is a former Finance Commissioner and Mayor of the City of South Pittsburg and retired from Sequatchee Valley Electric Cooperative.

John is a member of Holly Avenue United Methodist Church in South Pittsburg and has served on numerous committees. He was Past Chairman of Trustees, Chairman of Administrative Board, and served on the Pastor Parrish Relations Board. He and his wife Margie have 2 children and 6 grandchildren.

We salute you, John, for your dedication and service to the Scottish Rite and Freemasonry!

Gold Ring Sale!

The Chattanooga Scottish Rite Bodies has 35 member rings that we want to sell before year-end. These are 14° rings, 10-K gold with sizes ranging from 7 through 9 ½, and we will sell them for \$100 each. If you are interested, stop by during office hours 9 am – 4 pm Monday through Thursday. This sale will be good through November, 2016.



Brother Rual Johnson from Etowah, TN, was presented with his 50-year certificate, hat and pin at the Feast of Tishri held at the Scottish Rite Center on September 8, 2016. Congratulations, Brother Johnson on achieving this milestone in masonry!

From the General Secretary's Desk

A reminder to all Brothers – we need petitions as soon as possible for the Fall Reunion which is scheduled for October 21-22, 2016. Your help and cooperation are appreciated!

The Feast of Tishri was again superb in presentation and I want to thank Jim Arnhart, 32° KCCH, for a job “*well done.*”

As we are in the last quarter of 2016, I would like to remind all members that 2017 dues (\$100) are now due. Notices have been sent out and we are looking forward to a great response from members. Also, if you have not yet paid your 2016 dues, please do so as we want to retain a strong membership as we go forward.

To All Our Members: If you have moved or plan to move, please let the Scottish Rite office know so we can avoid unnecessary postage costs. Your help in this matter is greatly appreciated!



Illustrious Hoyt Samples, 33° - SGIG (Emeritus) in TN, donated his robe and hat he wore during his tenure as Sovereign Grand Inspector General of The Supreme Council in Tennessee. Through the efforts of Jim Arnhart, 32° KCCH, Keith Taylor, 32°, and others, a beautiful wooden and glass cabinet was given to the Scottish Rite to hold these items. Many thanks to all those involved in this project. Pictured (l-r) are Joel Bremer, 33°, Hoyt Samples, 33°, and Jim Arnhart, 32° KCCH.

Brother Gary Thomas, 32°, presented a toast during the Feast of Tishri program held on September 8, 2016. More than 80 people attended this event which included remembering our brothers who died during this past year. A delicious meal was prepared by Mountain Oaks Catering and served by Knights of Saint Andrew.





Brother Alvin Y. Bell, 33°, (pictured left) received his 50-year certificate from Harrison Lodge #114. On the right presenting the award is Brother James Grubb, Worshipful Master of the Lodge.

*A Christmas Prayer
By Robert Louis Stevenson*

Loving Father,
Help us remember the birth of Jesus,
That we may share in the song of the angels,
The gladness of the shepherds,
And the worship of the Wise men.

Close the door of hate,
And open the door of Love all over the world.
Let kindness come with every gift,
And good desires with every greeting.
Deliver us from evil by the blessing which
Christ brings, and teach us to be merry
With clear hearts.

May the Christmas morning
Make us happy to be Thy children,
And the Christmas evening bring us to our beds
With grateful thoughts,
Forgiving and forgiven.
For Jesus' Sake. AMEN.

The Advisory Conference, Heads of all Bodies, and your office staff wish for you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

Thanks for making 2016 a great year. We are looking forward to serving you in the coming year of 2017.

Joel L. Bremer, 33° - Personal
Representative of the SGIG in TN
William E. Barber, 33° - General Secretary