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We have been studying the cost of sending the newsletter to you throughout the year by mail. In a recent analysis, considering supplies, copying and sending a newsletter, the cost is more than \$1.50 per newsletter (\$1,400.00 per mailing) to produce and send; and that brethern is just black and white, adding colors just makes it worse!

Going forward, we will no longer mail copies of the newsletter to you, we are going completely digital!

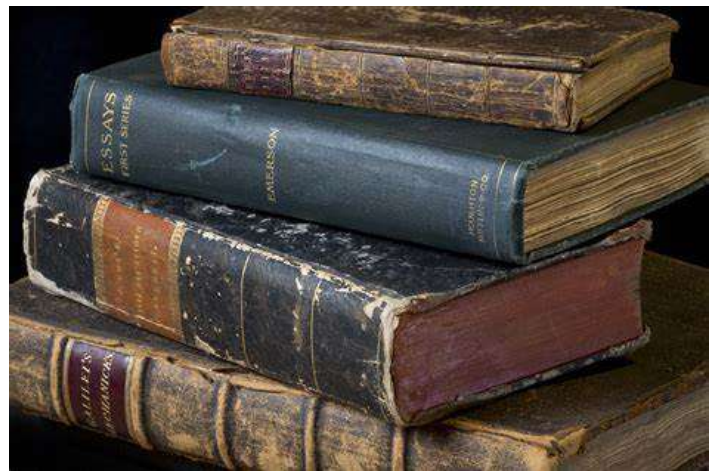
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What can you expect going forward? A full color newsletter emailed to you every two months starting with this issue. More news from around the valley, more frequent updates, and well you get the picture!

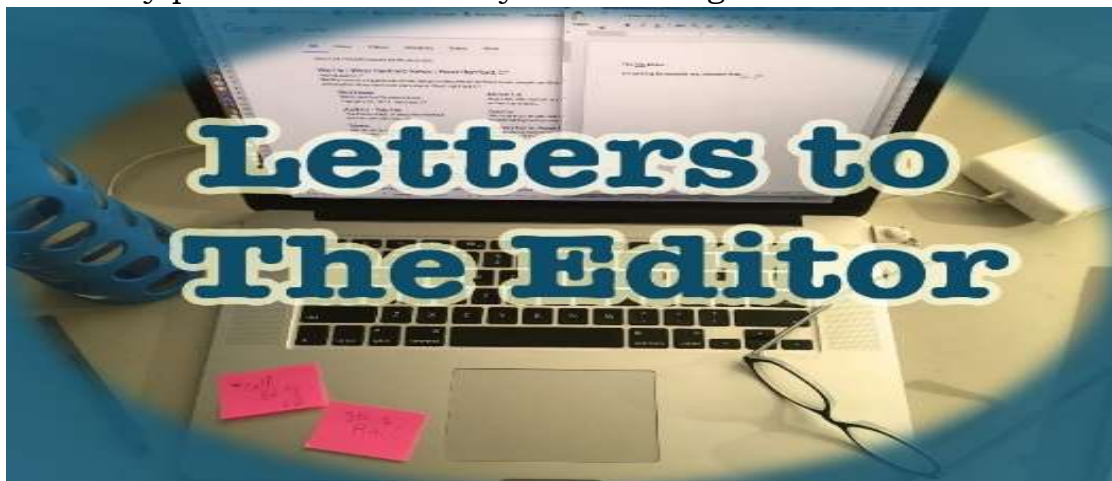
**CHATTANOOGA SCOTTISH  
RITE LIBRARY**

The Valley maintains a Library for use by members and the public, which contains volumes on all aspects of Masonry as well as a non-Masonic section covering history, science and general knowledge. Most books are available for check-out by members. Non-members may schedule check out or reading times though the office of the General Secretary.



**WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!**

Have something you would like added to the newsletter? Email us your event dates or newsworthy photos and we will try our best to get them into the next letter!



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How many times have you felt lost in the crowd? How many times have you thought that your opinion didn't matter? How many times did you reason that your presence didn't amount to a "hill of beans?" I'm sure that this has happened to you many times over. But this usually isn't true. History is full of examples in which a single vote decided a crucial issue. Oliver Cromwell won in 1645 by just one vote. But for a German would have become official language in 1845 Texas was elected by a single vote. The course of world history was forever altered in 1923 when, by a single vote, Adolf Hitler was elected head of the tiny Nazi party meeting in Munich. So never say that one vote doesn't count.

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## Spring Reunion 2022



One Hundred and Third Reunion Class – Max Howe 33° & Melvin Turner, 33° Memorial Class

Seated (l-f) John Lifsey, 33° Gen. Sec. Volney Farned, ° Past Wise Master; Tony Bennett, 32° KCCH, Asst. Per. Rep & Master of Kadosh; SGIG Joe Harrison, 33°, Charles Millirons, 33°, Personal Rep. Terry Plemons, 33°, Almoner; John C. Spencer, 33°, Wise Master. Second Row (standing l-r), Adam Handley, Tyson Asay, Tristen Leamon, Jeff Crowe.

The first class of 2022, also the first class since the pandemic changed everything, was a great success! Four new brothers were added to the Chattanooga Valley and we are excited to have them. Thanks to all the brethren who assisted in getting this accomplished! Exciting times in our valley are still ahead of us.



## STATED MEETINGS ARE BACK IN FULL SWING!

Come join us every second Thursday of the month for a meal, fellowship, and as always a meeting right after. You do need to make reservations by either calling the office at (423) 855-0175 or sending an email to [aasr@chattanoogascottishrite.org](mailto:aasr@chattanoogascottishrite.org). We start eating at 6:30pm EST. If you haven't been coming, now is your chance to return, you have been missed!



## Join Us on Facebook

Did you know we were on facebook? Follow our page for regular updates of events around Chattanooga and the great state of Tennessee, discussions on freemasonry, book reviews and suggestions, and a whole lot more! Don't miss a thing, like and subscribe today.

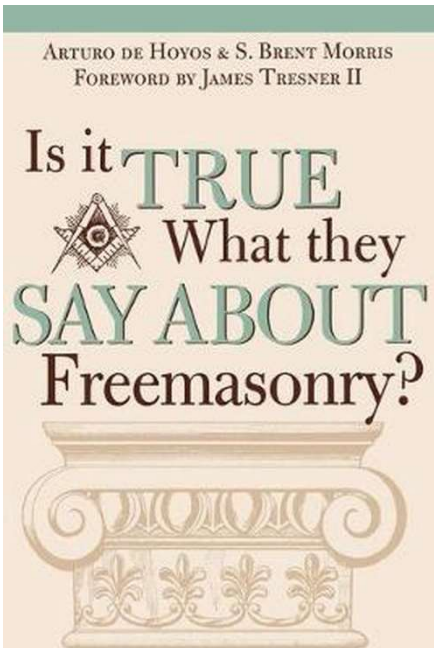
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## Old Fashioned Cookout

Instead of our regularly scheduled meeting on July 14<sup>th</sup>, we are going to host a summer BBQ! We are going to have food, fellowship, and music. Bring your families, invite some friends and lets have an awesome gathering! For more information, please call the office or send us an email.



## Suggested Reading: Is it True What they Say About Freemasonry?



For as long as there have been Freemasons, there has been a calculated effort to disparage and discredit them as well as their practices. But why does this incessant attack exist, and where does it originate from? In this insightful text, masons Arturo de Hoyos and S. Brent Morris explore the origins of the anti-Masonic mind-set and delve into the falsehoods on which critics have based these perennial sentiments. Confronting opponents one at a time, the authors methodically debunk the myths that have surrounded Freemasonry since its establishment, investigating the motives and misconceptions that drive these antagonists to spread deceit about Masonic traditions. With close readings and thorough research, they uncover a history of fallacies that have been handed down through the generations, and ultimately expose anti-Masonic prejudices that reach almost three hundred years into the past.

## IN REMEMBRANCE OF OUR DECEASED BROTHERS

*“What we do for ourselves dies with us. What we do for others and the world remains and is immortal.”*  
Albert Pike

*To date these are our deceased brothers since the last newsletter.*

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| James Richard Johnson 32°       | 03/20/2022 |
| Charlie Richardson 32°          | 04/03/2022 |
| James G. “Gabby” Williamson 32° | 04/18/2022 |





# Memorial Day

## In honor of American Service Men and Women

When the country is in need, it has always been the soldier:

It's the soldier, not the newspaper, which has given us the freedom of the press;

It's the soldier, not the poet, who has given us freedom of speech;

It's the soldier, not the campus organizer, who has given us freedom to demonstrate;

It's the soldier who salutes the flag, who serves under the flag;

It's the soldier whose coffin is draped with the flag, who allows the protestor to burn the flag;

And it is the soldier who is called upon to defend our American way of life.

## Upcoming Events

June 09, 2022	Stated meeting	6:30 pm
June 25, 2022	Order of Scotland	TBA
July 14, 2022	BBQ	6:30 pm
August 30, 2022	Scottish Rite Golf Tournament	12:00pm

## 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, which are:

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