



Chattanooga Scottish Rite News

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• Please contact the Scottish Rite if you have had a change in address, email, phone number or know of a death or illness of a member. To reduce costs, future newsletters will be sent by email.

Please note: If you have not paid your Past Dues. Dues for 2020 are now due. Please remit \$100 for your 2020 dues payment as soon as possible.

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:

ADVISORY CONFERENCE

James D. Cole, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander;
William Gene Sizemore, II, 33°, Grand Executive Director;
Joseph C. Harrison, 33°, SGIG in Tennessee;
Hoyt O. Samples, 33°, SGIG Emeritus in Tennessee;
Charles T. Millirons, 33°, Personal Representative of the SGIG;
Terry L. Plemons, 33°, Assistant Personal Rep. of the SGIG

Venerable Master.... Richard R. Petty, Jr., 32° KCCH
Wise Master.....Volney Farned, 32° KCCH
Commander.....Richard M. Smith, 33°
Master of Kadosh..... Steven A. Reno, 33°
General Secretary.....John R. Lifsey, 33°
Treasurer.....Johnny E. Thompson, 33°
Past Venerable Master..... Dennis Phillips, 33°
Almoner..... B. Don Aldridge, 33°



IN REMEMBRANCE OF OUR DECEASED BROTHERS

Larry Ray Wagner, 32° 9/26/2018 Charter Member
James Henry Ratcliffe, 32° 9/7/2018
Jonathan C. Clark, 32° Mar 2, 2018
Harold Ray "Creepy" Cox, 33° 2/5/2019
David Abraham Nunley, 32° 3/1/19
Richard Edmond Allison, 32° 5/28/2017
Jonathan C. Clark, 32° Mar 2, 2018
Harold Ray "Creepy" Cox, 33° 2/5/2019
David Abraham Nunley, 32° 3/1/18
Richard Edmond Allison, 32° 5/28/2017
Max Howe, 33°
Bernard Lee Lipps, 32° (Charter Member)
Paul Craddock, 32° 7/29/2018
Melvin Turner, 33° 5/6/2019



2019 Scottish Rite Foundation Golf Tournament

2020 Dues of \$100 are now DUE.

Notices are included with the newsletter. Life members and 50 years members already have permanent dues cards.



KCCH Investiture – Sat. Sept. 14, 2019 Dinner - \$20.00 Per person. The Valley of Chattanooga will have its biennial KCCH Investiture to honor our newly elected Knights Commander of the Court of Honour. They include: Stephen Anthony (Tony) Bennett, Ringgold, GA, David Leon Hewitt, Baxter, TN, Roy Darrell Rich, Sparta, TN, Randy Lee Robinson, McDonald, TN, and Gary Alan Thomas, Ooltewah. This unique ceremony is open to Non-Scottish Rite Masons, and is only seen every two years. Make plans to attend NOW.

We will also honor our two new Thirty-Third Degree Elects: Richard Petty, Jr., and Volney Farned at this banquet. The thirty third degree conferral is in Nashville, Sat. Dec. 7th, 2019, and is open to all Inspectors General Honorary – 33°. Contact the Scottish Rite Office for registration information, and details.



Upcoming Events

Fall Reunion Nov. 1-2, 2019 FRIDAY & SATURDAY.

50th Anniversary Celebration – Sat. October 19th, 2019 6:30 p.m. Walden Club – RESERVATIONS REQUIRED – Black Tie (tuxedo preferred) w/Scottish Rite Cap – Tickets \$25.00/per person- Call Office for details and reservations

KCCH Investiture – Sat. September 14th, 2019 – Reservations Required
 Mercy Shoe Fund Shoe Distribution – Sunday, September 29th, 2019 12:30 p.m.

You are Cordially Invited

50th Anniversary Celebration

Chattanooga Scottish Rite

Saturday, October 19th, 2019

Reception 6:30 p.m.

Dinner 7:30 p.m.

The Walden Club

Keynote Speaker: Sean Greystone, 33°. G. S. C.:

Building Superintendent

The Supreme Council

Tickets \$25.00 per Person

Entrée Selections: Steak, Chicken, Fish, Vegetarian

RESERVATIONS Required

The Knights of St Andrew (KSA) is the “Black Hat Club” for the Scottish Rite. If you are new to the Scottish Rite or are looking for a place to be more active we would love to have you visit us. There is no charge to be a member. We have a number of exciting events throughout the year and are always looking for additional help. We currently have an Annual Golf Tournament and Poker Tournament scheduled. We are looking to do more. Please plan on joining us at our next meeting and become involved.

The main duties of the Knights of St. Andrew were and are, to assist, as needed, during a reunion and be available to the Valley’s General Secretary for any assigned duties. Please help do your part!

Nathan Frazier 32°
 Knight Master

Chattanooga Scottish Rite Mercy Shoe Fund

Shoe distributions are scheduled for Sunday, September 29th, and Sunday, December 1st, 2019. Shoes have already been ordered, and your tax deductible contributions will help fund this most worthwhile project. Last year over 1,000 pairs of shoes were distributed to area school children. This year, we have added another county, with the possibility of another county in North Georgia. You contributions are needed now to support this project.





Master Craftsman Program

A Master Craftsman study group meets monthly at the Scottish Rite Building prior to the dinner meeting at 6:30 p.m. There are approximately 40 brethren who are in various stages of completion of the Master Craftsman study program. This is a great way to enhance your Masonic education – Blue Lodge, History, Philosophy, and Scottish Rite. You may enroll online at the Supreme Council website, www.scottishrite.org, or contact the Chattanooga Scottish Rite office for more information.

Scottish Rite Library - With the leadership of our librarian, Bro. Doug Terry, 32° KCCH, our library is shaping up. We have begun cataloging all of our materials. Through donations of private collections, and cash contributions, additional books for our collection. The most recent acquisitions have been a complete set of the Masonic Service Association Short Talk Bulletins (dating back to 1927), and a complete set of Mackey's Masonic Encyclopedias. The materials in our library will be available to all members and non-Scottish Rite members for research. If you are interested in donating books to the library or would like to help fund the purchase of additional books for the library, please contact the Office (423) 855-0175 or by email: aasr@chattanooga-scottishrite.org. **Your contributions will help enhance our library.**

The Grand Honors: Three times Three

In ancient times the Entered Apprentice degree was alone prevalent amongst the generality of our lodges; for no Brother could be passed and raised, except in the Grand Lodge, and few availed themselves of that privilege. Hence they had only one sign, one token and one word, and these three constituted the honors. But the members of the Grand Lodge has three signs, three tokens and three words, and therefore, three times three were appropriately termed the Grand Honors.

DUES NOTICES – 2020

The dues notices for 2020 are included with this newsletter. Please pay your dues promptly, and remember of give us any address, telephone, or email changes. Paying your dues in a timely manner avoids embarrassment and greatly assists the office staff. Check your dues card NOW to insure that you are current. Life Members and 50 Year Members have a permanent dues card.

WHY DO THE STAIRS IN THE FELLOWCRAFT DEGREE WIND?

In Kings I, 6-8 appears: "The Door for the middle chamber was in the right side of the house; and they went up with winding stairs into the middle chamber, and our of the middle into the third." The Fellowcraft climbs the winding stairs to reach the middle chamber, where are paid the wages he has earned, in corn, wine and oil. Symbologists find an especial significance in the "winding" of the stairs, denoting the necessity for a courageous ascent. Stairs which wind do no disclose what is ahead as does a straight stair. He who climbs a winding stair in confidence does so because he is a man grown, no weakling, but one able to face even an unknown future with courage.

The Fellow craft degree as a whole is a symbol of manhood, so it is appropriate in its teachings that the winding stairs denote courage. The Entered Apprentice Degree as a whole, denotes youth, and the Master Mason Degree, is a symbol of age.

WORKERS NEEDED – The Fall Reunion will be held on Friday & Saturday, November 1-2, 2019. The following degrees will be conferred: 4th, 6th, 14th, 18th, 27th, 30th, 31st, and 32nd. In addition to several parts in the various degrees, all of our committees: Wardrobe, Stage Crew, Registration, Class Coordinators, Ring, Hats, Master Craftsman, Library, all need workers. Make Plans now to attend the reunion and see degrees which you haven't seen before, and find the spot where you would like to work and contribute. All that is required is your current Scottish Rite Dues Card.