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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 2017, or 2018 Dues, a notice is included with this newsletter. Dues for 2019 are now payable. Please remit \$100 for your 2019 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:

Ronald A. Seale, 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

ADVISORY CONFERENCE

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°



FALL REUNION SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, NOV 2, 2018

8:00 – 8:30 a.m. Registration
 8:30 – 9:00 a.m. Class Assembly
 9:00 – 9:15 a.m. Opening
 9:15 – 9:45 a.m. 4° Secret Master
 9:45 – 10:15 a.m. Communicate 5°- 6°
 10:15 – 10:40 a.m. Break
 10:40 – 11:10 a.m. 7° Provost & Judge
 11:10 – 11:40 a.m. 8th -13th Degrees Communicated
 11:40 – 12 30 p.m. Lunch
 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. 14° Perfect Elu
 1:30 – 2:00 p.m. 15° thru 17° Communicated
 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. 18° Knight Rose Croix–1st Sect
 3:00 – 3:30 p.m. Break
 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. 18° Knight Rose Croix–2nd Sect
 4:30 – 5:15 p.m. Communicate 19° thru 29°
 5:15 Adjourn

SATURDAY, NOV 3, 2018

7:30 – 8:00 a.m. Registration
 8:00 – 8:45 a.m. 27° Knight Commander of the Temple
 8:45 – 9:00 a.m. 28° Communicated
 9:00 – 9:30 a.m. Class Photograph
 9:30 – 10:15 am 29°- Knight of St. Andrew
 10:15 – 10:30 a.m. Break
 10:30 – 11:45 a.m. 30° Knight Kadosh 1st & 2nd Apartments
 11:45 – 12:30 p.m. Lunch
 12:30 – 1:00 p.m. 30°- 3rd Apartment
 1:00 – 1:15 p.m. Break
 1:15 – 1:45 p.m. 30° - 4th Apartment
 1:45 – 2:15 p.m. Break
 2:15 – 3:15 p.m. 31° Inspector Inquisitor
 3:15 – 3:30 p.m. Break
 3:30 – 4:15 p.m. 32° Master of Royal Sct.
 4:15 – 5:00 p.m. Closing Ceremonies

2019 DUES STATEMENT ENCLOSED

IF YOU HAVE ALREADY PAID, OR ARE A FIFTY YEAR OR LIFE MEMBER, PLEASE DISREGARD

IN REMEMBRANCE OF OUR DECEASED BROTHERS

BILLIE JOE COOK, 33°
BRO. ROBERT MURRAY SUMMITT, 32° KCCH
JAMES DAVID BYRD, 32° KCCH
EMIL T. 'BUD' SCHAEERER, 32° KCCH
JAMES M. BRANUM, 32°
JAMES W. BOOK, 32°



Scottish Rite Golf Tournament – Success!!

The Chattanooga Scottish Rite Foundation Annual Golf Tournament was held on August 25, 2018 to benefit the Foundation and was a success thanks to the hard work of Tony Bennett, Nathan Frazier, and our dedicated members. We would like to thank all for their help with hole sponsorships, prizes, trophies and participation. Each of the holes was sponsored, and we had a full slate of teams registered for the tournament.

Team Captains included: John Chancey, Dusty Nelson, Bruce Bancroft, Hoyt Samples, Steve Reno, Nathan Frazier, Roy Chesnut, Keith Taylor, and Tony Bennett. The following members, lodges, businesses and community partners were sponsors: Georgia Farm Bureau Insurance, S&M Building Supply, Mountain View Ford, Samples, Jennings, Clem & Fields, East Ridge Masonic Lodge #755, REW Materials, Healthcare Billing Services, Paul E. Smith, David & Heather Olds, Carrabba's Italian Grill, Chattanooga Lodge #199, Chattanooga Masonic Temple Board, Temple Lodge #430, Lync America, Tranco Logistics, Warren Dropkin -Wells Fargo, Metro Boiler, Joe C. Harrison, and George Gray - Allstate Insurance. Several others including Dixie Trophy, Carrabba's Italian Grill, Black Creek Golf Course, and Windstone Golf Club were vital in the success of this outing.

Master Craftsman Study Group

Several brethren have shown interest in forming a Master Craftsman Study Group to further their Masonic education through the Master Craftsman Program. It will be open to all – those who are enrolled in Master Craftsman and those that are interested. The tentative plan is to meet at the Scottish Rite Building one night a month (probably a Wednesday or prior to the stated meetings on Thursday night). The mutual exchange of ideas and interests in Masonic knowledge is the ultimate goal.

If you are interested, please contact the Scottish Rite office, with your name, address, telephone number, and email address.





Third Degree Team

There is renewed interest in the Scottish Rite Blue Lodge Third Degree team. This team will confer the Master Mason Degree in lodges in our Valley. The initial plans are limited to one conferral per month (usually a Friday or Saturday night) and some travel will be involved. Carpooling will be encouraged. The degrees will be conferred in full form with complete regalia and costumes. For those that are interested, please contact the Scottish Rite Office with your name, address, telephone number, and email address. Also, please indicate what part(s) you would be most interested in for the first and second sections of the Third Degree.

Upcoming Events

September 30, 2018 SHOE DISTRIBUTION 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

October 11, 2018

Advisory Conference & Foundation Meeting	5:30 pm
Society Meeting	5:30 pm
Dinner	6:30 pm

Reunion – Nov 2nd -3rd

Nov 8th – Stated Meeting
Nov 22nd – Office Closed for Thanksgiving

December 2nd Shoe Distribution

December 13th – Stated Meeting
Dec. 24th – 25th – Office Closed for Christmas

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IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY PAID YOUR 2019 DUES, PLEASE REMIT YOUR DUES WITH THIS FORM.
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If you are a Lifetime or a 50 Year Member, you are NOT obligated to pay dues.



2019 Dues Notice

Member Dues for 2019 are \$100.00 and payable with this notice.

- 2019 Dues... (\$100.00) \$ _____
- Contribution to Almoner's Fund \$ _____
- Total Dues Enclosed \$ _____

(Print Full Name)

(Signature)

(Address)

(Phone)

Email Address: _____

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Bro. J.C. Bledsoe, 32° Receives 50 Year Awards
Bro. J. C. Bledsoe, 32° of Etowah Lodge #753 is shown receiving his 50-year Cap, Patent, and Lapel pin by Bro. Steve Wilson, Master of Etowah Lodge and Bro. Chester Brannon, Secretary. Our congratulations to Bro. Bledsoe on achieving this milestone in his Masonic Career.

Communications Note---- Much of the communication to and from the Scottish Rite office is done electronically via email. A large number of our brethren receive their correspondence, newsletters, dues statements, and special announcements by email. For the Scottish Rite, this is the quickest, most efficient, cost-effective method of communication, and we prefer it over

regular mail. If you have not done so, please consider sending us your email address and request your correspondence be sent electronically. Check your 'spam' filters to make sure that our messages are getting through. This will save all of us time and money, while allowing for more efficient communication to the membership.



Bro. James Marshall Phillips, 32° Receives 50 Year Awards

Bro. James Marshall Phillips of Hixson, is shown receiving his 50-year cap, lapel pin, and patent by Ill. Hoyt O. Samples, Jr., 33° SGIG Emeritus. Bro. Marshall joined the Scottish Rite in Burbank, California in 1968 and later transferred to Chattanooga. Two of his classmates in that Scottish Rite Class were Alan Hale, Jr., 32°, better known as

the "skipper" in Gilligan's Island, and Marion Mitchell Morris, 32°, known to most of us as "The Duke" - John Wayne. Our congratulations to Bro. Phillips on achieving this honor in the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Looking for something to do part-time? The Scottish Rite offers many excellent opportunities. They include:

Degree Work (both speaking and non-speaking), Stage Crew, Blue Lodge Ambassadors, Reunion Set-up, Electricians, Carpenters, Lighting, Extension and Membership, Blue Lodge **Third Degree Team**, Master Craftsman Study program.

LIBRARIAN – to catalog and help maintain our collection of books, **50th Anniversary Committee** (next year will be a very big year for us), and countless other opportunities.

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY – will train.

Please contact the Scottish Rite office for more information on any of these excellent opportunities. The "pay" is rewarding; the experience - incalculable and the opportunities - unlimited.

Please consider making your contribution to the Scottish Rite – Valley of Chattanooga **NOW. Contact us for more details.**

ATTEND YOUR BLUE LODGE

It needs you to help maintain and increase its strength through your attendance and your service. When you became a member, you increased its strength by one member, but what have you done for it lately? The Blue Lodge is the foundation of all of Freemasonry. If the base erodes and breaks down, ALL of Freemasonry will fall down. Don't let this happen! Do something about it! If your health and circumstances permit, do it now!



REINSTATEMENTS

While most of us are conscious of the continual need for new petitioners for our degrees, some overlook that there are many former members of the Scottish Rite in our Valley who could be reinstated or induced to affiliate with our bodies if they were solicited.

These men are an important avenue of additional strength for our Rite and we should not overlook any opportunity to induce them to petition.

As each of you go about your day, keep this thought in mind. It will help our Valley if you put in a good word for our fraternity whenever the occasion presents itself.

HOW CAN I HELP?

Make sure your contact information is correct. Your email address allows us to save \$\$\$money\$\$\$\$. Previous versions can still be found online (along with other info)

**Give your Master Mason
friend a Scottish Rite
petition TODAY!**