# Chattanooga Scottish Rite News

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# **APRIL-MAY-JUNE 2014**

#### **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 Free Masonry of the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America, of which

Ronald A. Seale, 33°

Is Sovereign Grand Commander

William B. Brunk 33°

Is Grand Secretary General

Joseph C. Harrison, Jr., 33°

Is Deputy in Tennessee

William Gene Sizemore, 33°

Is Grand Executive Director

Joel L. Bremer, 33°

Is Personal Representative of the SGIG

Terry L. Plemons, 33°

Is Assistant Personal Representative of the SGIG

# **ADVISORY CONFERENCE**

Chairman/Past Venerable MasterJoel L. Bremer, 33°	
Venerable Master	Dennis L. Phillips, 33°
Wise Master	Johnny E. Thompson. 33°
Commander	Robert E. Hall, 33°
Master of Kadosh	William E. Fulks, 33°
Secretary	Bobby G. Green, 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°

# **CLUBS AND SOCIETIES**

# CHATTANOOGA

Lee Melton, 32°, President
Volney Farned, 32° KCCH, Secretary
Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday
Dinner – 6:30 PM EDT.....Scottish Rite Center

#### **BRADLEY COUNTY**

Van Swearingen, 32° KCCH, President
William J. Herron, 32°, Secretary/Treasurer
Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 6:30 PM EDT...Angela's Restaurant

## FRANKLIN COUNTY

### **GRUNDY COUNTY**

Jim Parrott, 32°, President
Bill Hargis, 33°, Secretary
Meeting 4<sup>th</sup> Monday, 6:30 PM CDT
Sewanee Lodge Hall #405.....Tracy City, TN

### **MCMINN COUNTY**

# W. A. PRICE - MARION COUNTY

Dennis Phillips, 33°, President
Kermit Grisson, 32° KCCH, Secretary/Treasurer
Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday 6:30 PM CDT
Western Sizzlin Steakhouse......Jasper, TN

#### **RHEA COUNTY**

Gary Whittaker, 32°, President
Clyde Caldwell, 32° KCCH, Secretary/Treasurer
Meeting 4<sup>th</sup> Monday, 6:30 PM EDT
Dayton Masonic Lodge......Dayton, TN

# **SEQUATCHIE COUNTY**

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

#### WARREN COUNTY

David Pendergraph, 32°, President
Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday 6:30 PM CDT
VFW Club......McMinnville, TN

### WHITE COUNTY

Fred Stouky, 32°, President
Robert Hall, 33°, Secretary
Meeting 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 6:00 PM CDT
Casa Luna Restaurant......Sparta, TN

# **Message from Past Wise Master**

I would like to thank the members of the Valley for allowing me to serve as Wise Master for the past four years. It is an honor that I will never forget, and as I reflect on the past four years I think about the many brothers that we have lost during this time. Good men have been lost due to the bitter cup of death that we all eventually must partake. However we have also lost men due to suspensions and demits. The Scottish Rite offers many great and important lessons and fellowship, but to secure these unique benefits one has to visit his Valley, join in his local club or somehow stay connected. At some point in your Masonic career, you felt that the Scottish Rite offered something that you wanted to experience or learn. A two-day reunion will not provide all that you seek nor will the information you gleaned from that two-day experience last you a lifetime. A reunion is like planting a seed, this seed must be cultivated to grow and to reap benefits. I sincerely encourage you to cultivate your personal Masonic seed by attending a club meeting, a shoe distribution, a reunion, or society meeting. There will be something that will grab your attention. If you seek additional Masonic light, the Scottish Rite offers a comprehensive Masonic education program called the Master Craftsman program. You can call the Valley Secretary to order this program. We also have a nice website that you can keep current on events which occur in our Valley as well as a Facebook account. I look forward to seeing you in the future years.

Robert G. Officer, 33°



Personal Rep Joel Bremer, 33°(left), looks on as Bobby Green, 33°, presents John Blanton, 32°, with his patent during the hat and ring ceremony. Brother Blanton was a member of the 2013 Fall Reunion.

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# In Remembrance of Our Brothers

Gilbert Eugene Bollinger, 32°
Paul Willard Allen, 32°
James Wallace West, Jr., 32°
David Carah Shelton, 32°
Lionel Joe Turner, 32°
Charles Edward Lerch, 32°
Walter Eugene Trewhitt, 32°



Gerald Zigner, 32°, a member of the 2013 Fall Reunion, was presented his patent, hat, and ring at the March 13, 2014, meeting.



Karen Perry puts a 14th Degree ring on her husband Bruce Perry, 32° during the hat and ring ceremony March 13th.



Three new members from the 2013 Fall Reunion were recognized at the Grundy County Scottish Rite Club meeting held on January 27, 2014. Dennis Phillips, 33°, Venerable Master (pictured left), presented Josh Brown, 32°, Shane Payne, 32°, and Kevin Sweeton, 32°, with their patents, hats, and rings.



George Crownover, 32°, and Chad Davis, 32°, who received their Scottish Rite Degrees at the 2013 Fall Reunion were presented their patents, hats, and rings at Rhea County Scottish Rite Club meeting in February.

# **Dates to Remember**

April 10, 2014	Advisory Conference 5:00 pm Maundy Thursday6:30 pm
April 25-26, 2014	Spring Reunion
May 8, 2014	. Advisory Conference 5:00 pm Society Mtg & Meal 6:30 pm LOP Mtg 7:30 pm
June 12, 2014	Advisory Conference 5:00 pm Society Mtg & Meal 6:30 pm LOP Mtg 7:30 pm



Bobby Green, 33° - General Secretary for Chattanooga Scottish Rite (right), presents Donald Coleman, 32° (left), with his pin and certificate for completing the Master Craftsman Program.

# Don't forget to make your reservations for Maundy Thursday April 10, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. EDT

Remember the Spring Reunion will be held on Thursday and Friday, April 25-26, 2014. There's still time to get your petitions in!