

The Rite Review



June 2024

A Scottish Rite Newsletter from the Valley of Winston-Salem

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Upcoming Events

June 13, 2024 — June Stated Meeting... Our June stated meeting will be opened by the Council of Kadosh at 7:00 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. Masonic education will provided by the Valley's education team.

For those unable to attend, please join us on our Cloud HD Video Meeting: https:// scottishrite.zoom.us/j/5827061238?wd=NVBqL1NmUHg5NlBlVEYvUFhOYUJ4Zz09.

Miscellaneous News & Notes

Dress Code... All members attending Stated Meetings, Reunions, and other events are requested to wear slacks and a sport coat at a minimum. Ties are optional.

Master Craftsman... Please contact Illustrious Brother Chris Pearman (336-601-5444, cpearman19@gmail.com) if you have any questions about the Master Craftsman program or need any assistance.

Ride Sharing... If you need a ride to and from our Scottish Rite stated meetings, please contact our General Secretary, Ill. Bro. Michael Fischer (336-723-1217).

Families are Welcome... Please remember that families and friends are welcome to join us for the meal before each stated meeting.

Sick & Distressed

Please keep Brothers Gerrald Todd, Tommy Allen Jr. and his mother, Rodney Bennett's wife, Dean Gordon's granddaughter, Glenn Chamberlin, Jerry Brown's wife, Chad Graham, Paul Pearman, Hobert Miller, Kenny Small's mother, William McKinney Jr., Alan Williard's father, Lonnie Ring, Thomas Patterson, Sam Stroud, Robert Ellis, Wayne O'Neal, Bobby Sparks, Ronald Fortner, Robert Fox, Ray Anderson, and Richard Starnes in your thoughts and prayers.

Brother Burl Wilson Staley, 32°, passed away on April 19, 2024 at age 97. He was our 4th oldest living member when he passed. He is survived by his wife of 75 years, Lois, and 6 of their children. He was a proud veteran of the United States Navy serving in World War II in Guam. He received the American Theatre, Asiatic-Pacific and World War II Victory Medals. He retired at age 76 after a long career as a truck driver. He and his wife, Lois, started Staley and Staley Trucking in 1972. They traveled the country together for 50 plus years, making many friends along the way. He will always be known as Polar Bear, his CB radio "handle". He was a 26-year member of the Winston-Salem Scottish Rite and Mt. Pleasant Masonic Lodge #573 and a Shriner.

<u>General Secretary</u> Michael J. Fischer, 33° 336-723-1217

secretary@ winstonsalemscottishrite.org

Stated Meetings Every 2nd Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Dinner to be served at 6:00 p.m.

Joining the Scottish Rite If interested, you can find the online petition at...

https://sms.scottishrite.org/ WinstonSalemPetition

<u>Almoner</u>

The Almoner's Fund is for any distressed, worthy brother in dire financial straits. There is a strict code of confidentiality to this procedure. Please contact the Almoner, Bro. David Crook, at...

Crook_dl@yahoo.com 336-978-6493

Newsletter Information

To be added or removed from our email list, please contact Bro. Chris Pearman at... wssrnews@gmail.com

Please send any proposed newsletter content to Bro. Chris Pearman at the email above or to Bro. Bob Blair at... bobblair62@gmail.com

Masonic Education Materials

Education Presenters... please submit your presentation materials that will need to be projected (PowerPoint slides, videos, etc.) to Brother Michael Fischer (secretary@winstonsalemscot tishrite.org) at least one day before the Stated Meeting in order to assure that the presentation is ready for the meeting.

Sick & Distressed (cont.)

Brother Edwin Wayne Long, 32°, passed away on April 20, 2024 at age 82. Brother Edwin was a 56-year member of the Winston-Salem Scottish Rite and Liberty Lodge #45. He graduated from No. 3 Township High School where he was a class officer, president of the student council, voted most popular boy in the senior class, cocaptain of the basketball team, and received the Babe Ruth Award for baseball. After graduating from Clemson, he joined the National Guard, and had 6 months of active duty. Holly Farms Poultry Industry, now Tyson Foods, hired him and he worked for them 26 years. He was also a Shriner.

Brother Richard Jackson Smith, Sr., 33°. The Winston-Salem Scottish Rite remembers and honors Worshipful and Illustrious Brother Richard Jackson Smith, Sr., 33°. He laid down his working tools on Saturday, April 27, 2024, at WhiteStone, a Masonic and Eastern Star Community in Greensboro; he was 77 years old. Illustrious Brother Rick was a 36-year member of the Winston-Salem Scottish Rite. He received his Knight Commander Court of Honor on December 5, 2009 and was coroneted an Inspector General Honorary (33°) on November 20, 2021. He was a valued member of the Advisory Conference and chaired the Americanism Committee for many years. He was an educational leader in the Valley, mentoring several brothers in the Master Craftsman program. He also chaired and served in the robing



room at Reunions for many years as well as assisting in several Degrees. Worshipful Brother Rick had a long and distinguished Masonic Career. Some highlights include: raised in Pilot Mountain Lodge #493 in 1986 where he was Master in 1990, Worshipful Master of Wilkerson College Lodge #760 in 2018, a charter member of Lux Liber-tas Lodge #772 in 2017, where he was currently serving as Senior Deacon, DDGM of the 25th Masonic District from 2002-2005, Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina in 2014, a member of Royal White Hart Lodge #002, and an honorary member of Renfro Lodge #691. Worshipful and Illustrious Brother Smith is fondly honored and remembered. Please keep the Smith family in your thoughts and prayers. https://www.moodyfuneralservices.com/obituaries/dr-richard-smith-sr.

Bring A Friend Event 2024

Our Bring A Friend event was a resounding success and everyone that attended had a great time! If you didn't make it to this year's event, make sure to put next year's event on your calendar and come enjoy the fellowship!



JROTC Awards

Brother Dean Gordon recently presented Scottish Rite JROTC awards to Cadet Austin Riggins at Surry Central High School and Cadet Owen Hughes at East Surry High School.





Cadet Austin Riggins at Surry Central High School

Cadet Owen Hughes at East Surry High School

SOARS 2024

SOARS will take place on August 16 & 17, 2024. Rooms will be available at the Hampton Inn by Hilton and Courtyard by Marriott. Both are only a 5 - 7 minute drive from the Masonic Center. Hotel info is below:

Hampton Inn by Hilton Hanes Mall

1990 Hampton Inn Court Winston Salem, NC 27103 Book at https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/ deeplink/? ctyhocn=INTSTHX&groupCode=CHHSRM&arrivaldate=2 024-08-16&departuredate=2024-08-17&cid=OM,WW,HILTONLINK,EN,DirectLink&fromId=HI LTONLINKDIRECT

Courtyard by Marriott Winston Salem Hanes Mall

1600 Westbrook Plaza Drive Winston Salem, NC 27103 Book at https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/ reservation-link.mi? id=1706078862562&key=GRP&app=resvlink

Unused rooms will release on August 1, 2024

June Birthdays

June 1st... David Grubbs, Jim McGrew June 2nd... Ray Anderson June 3rd... Bob Blair June 5th... Preston Askew Iune 6th... Allan Williard June 8th... Sam Caudill, Ernest Cowan, Jeff Jones, Randall Kepley June 9th... Harold Morefield, Martin Trexler June 10th... Zack Blackmon, Jerry Hughes June 11th... Darrell Keller, David Potter June 12th... Jerry Anderson, Bill Medlin, Dallas Robbins June 13th... Douglas O'Kelley, Perry Peterson June 14th... Kirby Matthews June 15th... Bill Carter, Gaither Keener June 16th... Glenn Chamberlin, Thomas Redmond June 17th... William Brown June 19th... Michael Goode June 21st... Rodney Bennett June 22nd... Mark Edwards, Keith Rash June 23rd... Jimmie Goodnight June 25th... Bob Clendenin, William McComb June 26th... Elbert Johnson, Clyde Ramsey June 28th... James Davis June 29th... Kenneth Pruitt June 30th... Gerald Pardue

KSA — Shirts for Sale!

The Winston-Salem Valley Knights of Saint Andrew have shirts for sale, courtesy of Brother Todd Hildebran. The shirts are black, long-sleeved button up shirts. There are 3 styles: 32nd Degree, 32nd Degree KCCH, and 33rd Degree. All have the Winston-Salem Valley name and the Scottish Rite double-headed eagle.



The 32nd KCCH and 33rd shirts also have the degree insignia on the cuff. Shirts cost \$50 each and come in sizes Medium to 3XL.

Please contact Bob Blair (bobblair62@gmail.com or 336-407-7965) or any KSA member if interested!

Good Cheer!

Brothers Derek Frosh and William Merriman recently joined the Winston-Salem Scottish Rite Valley at our Spring Reunion. Welcome brothers. Additionally, Ill. Brother Lon Weber was recent-



ly honored at our Spring Reunion for all that he has done for the Scottish Rite and all of Freemasonry. Thank you brothers!

Good job to Brother Todd Hildebran for doing another fantastic job as Director of the Work for our Valley. Brother Todd's continued hard work and dedication helped make our recent Spring Reunion another great success. Thanks brother.





Good job to Brother Joe Slade for his diligence and hard work on updating and organizing the By-Laws for our Valley. Thanks brother.

Good job to Brother Kenneth Small and his family for recently planting the first memorial tree at the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford.





Good job to Brother Michael Brooks for recently continuing his support as a member of the Acacia Guild.

Scottish Rite Service Awards

Brethren... if you are a recipient of any Scottish Rite Service Award, the Valley is requesting that you wear your medals to our Stated Meetings, Reunions, and other Scottish Rite events. As a Valley, we would like the opportunity to honor our hard-working brothers!



Blue Lodge News

The 26th Masonic District's Travelling Gavel was recently collected by members of Old Town #751 from Kernersville #669. If you're in the 26th Masonic District get your lodge together and go grab get it for your lodge.



The 26th Masonic District is also collecting donations

for the Second Harvest Food Bank of Northwest North Carolina. Collection boxes are at all of the Lodges in the 26th District. Please consider donating to help this very worthy cause.



Festive Board

The Festive Board has been resumed! After all stated meetings the Festive Board meets at Don Zapata's restaurant. Their address there is 137 Jonestown Road, Winston-Salem, NC 27104. All are welcome!





Winston-Salem Scottish Rite Masonic Charity Golf Tournament Friday June 14, 2024

Schedule

Driving Range Open
Tournament Final Instructions
Shotgun Start
Award-winning Lunch

RegistrationIncludes TournamentContests

1.	Green Fees	Top Team Score
2.	Cart Rental	2nd Place Team Score
3.	Golfer's Goody Bag	3rd Place Team Score
4.	Range balls	Longest Drive
5.	Lunch	Closest to the Pin
6.	Water/Soda During Play	Straightest Drive

Appalachian STATE UNIVERSITY CECU Vestern Colina

Fundraiser

The Scottish Rite of Freemasonry supports speech, reading, and language disorder clinics at Appalachian State University, Western Carolina University, and East Carolina University. The tournament proceeds go to these clinics so children who might have remainde devactionally behind for a lifetime can now talk, read, and lead productive lives.

Attire & Fees

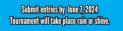
Dak Valley Golf Club requires proper golf attire, which includes collared shirts and long pants or Bermuda shorts (No tank tops or jeans). Fee includes 18 holes of golf, two mulligans, cart, lunch, and great prizes.

Scoring

This is a shotgun tournament. Each foursome will compete in a Captain's Choice format where each team selects the best shot from the tee through the last putt.

Foursomes

If you are unable to bring a foursome, we will assign you to one. Space is limited to 24 teams. Golfers will be accepted on a first paid and received basis.



Visit our website at: http://www.winstonsalemscottishrite.org/



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Western Carolina University Speech and Hearing Clinic Western Carolina Univ.; College of Health & Human Sciences; Speech & Hearing Clinic 3971 Little Savannah Road Cullowhee, NC 28723 Phone: 828-227-7251 https://www.wcu.edu/learn/departments-schools-colleges/HHS/ csd/speech-and-hearing-clinic.aspx

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Winston-Salem Masonic Center http://masoniccenterws.com WS Scottish Rite Facebook Page www.facebook.com/ groups/298141290271888/

Websites of Interest

Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction http://scottishrite.org Freemason Network www.freemasonnetwork.org/home

> North Carolina RiteCare http://www.ncritecare.org