

The Rite Review



October 2024 A Scottish Rite Newsletter from the Valley of Winston-Salem

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#### **Upcoming Events**

**October 10, 2024** — **October Stated Meeting...** Our October stated meeting will be opened by the Lodge of Perfection at 7:00 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. and will include an observance of the Feast of Tishri.

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 Gerrald Todd, George Beroth, Tommy Allen Jr. and his mother, Rodney Bennett's wife, Jon Canupp, Michael Fischer's mother, SGIG A. Gene Cobb and his wife, Jerry Brown's wife, Doug Mason, Paul Pearman, Hobert Miller, Kenny Small's mother, Alan Williard's father, Lonnie Ring, Thomas Patterson, Sam Stroud, Robert Ellis, Wayne O'Neal, Jeffrey Jones, Bobby Sparks, Ronald Fortner, Robert Fox, Ray Anderson, Richard Starnes in your thoughts and prayers.

**Worshipful Brother David Sherman Bassett, 32**°, aged 85, passed away on September 13, 2024. W. Bro. Dave was a Scottish Rite Mason for over 30 years; he received the Scottish Rite Degrees in Massachusetts in 1994. W. Bro. Dave was a 60+ year Mason and Past Master of Orient Masonic Lodge #195 in Norwood, MA. He was also a member of Kernersville Masonic Lodge #669 over 20 years where he served in several officer positions especially as Treasurer. He was elected a Life Member of Kernersville Masonic Lodge in 2021. Additionally, he was a member of Lexington-Memorial Masonic Lodge #473, where his son was also a member. W. Bro. Dave was also a proud member of the Oasis Shriners where he served for years as a Tripster in the Winston-Salem Shrine Club. He enjoyed golfing, water-skiing, and volunteered his time at Wake Forest Baptist Hospital. Please keep the Bassett family in your thoughts and prayers. https://www.hayworth-miller.com/obituaries/david-bassett

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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

#### <u>Masonic Education</u> <u>Materials</u>

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.

#### **September Stated in Boone**

Our September Stated Meeting at Snow Lodge #363 in Boone was another great success! Thank-you to Brother Kenneth "Kenny" Allen for organizing and coordinating the ASU clinic tours. Several brothers from our Valley and the Asheville Valley enjoyed a very informative and enlightening time. Everyone that attended dinner enjoyed warm fellowship and an excellent meal prepared by Illustrious Bill Carter and his wife; thank you, Brother Bill.















## **Good Cheer Report**

Congratulations to Brother Thomas Redmond on receiving his 25 — year Scottish Rite Service Award at our September Stated Meeting in Boone!







# 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 hardworking brothers!



# **Blue Lodge News**

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.



#### October 2024



The Supreme Council has an opening available for a full-time Donor Officer for the Mid-Atlantic Region, which includes the District of Columbia, Kentucky, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia. It is a rewarding job that requires organization and dedication to the Scottish Rite. Those interested should provide a statement of interest and a resume to Brother Phil Shortt at <u>pshortt@scottishrite.org</u>. If calling or texting is preferred, he can be reached at 240-608-7425.

Also, North Carolina needs a volunteer to connect and coordinate with the new Donor Officer. If you are interested in serving the Orient this way, please contact our General Secretary, Ill. Brother Michael Fischer.



 (18)
 Knight Rose Croix

 (17)
 Knight of the East and West

 (16)
 Prince of Jerusalem

 (15)
 Knight of the East of Sword or Eagle

#### **October Birthdays**

October 1st... James Proffit, Tex Spicer October 2nd... Floyd Sprinkle October 3rd... Frank Godbee October 4th... Gilmer Collette October 5th... William Shouse October 6th... Thornton Adams, Larry Dollar, John October 7th... Richard Inscore October 8th... George Hunt October 9th... Ronald Taylor October 10th... Travis Broughton, Jon Canupp October 11th... Roger Church October 13th... Ronnie Bailey, Craig Hamlin, Mike Kerhoulas, Wayne Pfaff, Bennie Robinson October 14th... Charles Frankhouser, Bobby Stewart October 15th... Harold Bass October 17th... Lon Weber October 18th... William Brock October 20th... Douglas Mason, Joshua-Guy Powell October 22nd... Alfred Arnder, Jonathan Black October 23rd... Rex Card, Richard Starnes October 24th... Chad Delp October 25th... Tom Davis October 27th... David Crook, David Walters October 28th... Kevin Henderson, Kermit Miller October 30th... Walter Reese October 31st... William Davidson, Timothy Hopper, Michael Russell

#### **Good Cheer Report**

Congratulations to Illustrious Brother George Kalamaras, 33° on celebrating six very successful years of service as our Valley's Personal Representative on October 5, 2024. Well done and great job, Brother! Thank you for all that you do for our Valley and the Scottish Rite!



#### **Fall Reunion Practice**

Our Fall Reunion is rapidly approaching! If you are a member of a degree team or wish to be, please come to our practice at the Masonic Center on October 20th.

2:00 p.m. — 4th Degree 3:00 p.m. — 14th Degree 4:00 p.m. — 18th Degree 5:00 p.m. — 30th Degree 6:00 p.m. — 32 Degree

Please come early in case practices proceed quickly.

#### Winston–Salem 2024 Fall Reunion

#### Friday, October 25, 2024

- 5:00 p.m. Registration and dinner
- 6:00 p.m. 4th Degree conferral
- 6:30 p.m. Break
- 6:40 p.m. Communicate 5th 9th Degrees
- 7:30 p.m. Break
- 7:40 p.m. Communicate 10th 13th Degrees
- 8:20 p.m. Breakdown of meanings and symbols

#### Saturday, October 26, 2024

- 8:00 a.m. Breakfast
- 8:30 a.m. 14th Degree conferral
- 9:20 a.m. Break
- 9:30 a.m. Communicate 15th 17th Degrees
- 10:00 a.m. 18th Degree conferral
- 11:00 a.m. Break
- 11:10 a.m. Communicate 19th 21st Degrees
- 11:40 a.m. Lunch and class photo
- 12:30 p.m. Communicate 22nd 25th Degrees
- 1:10 p.m. Break
- 1:20 p.m. Communicate 26th 29th Degrees
- 2:00 p.m. Class leadership discussion
- 2:10 p.m. 30th Degree conferral
- 3:30 p.m. Communicate 31st Degree
- 3:45 p.m. 32nd Degree conferral
- 5:00 p.m. Signs, symbols, wrap-up, and dismissal

#### **Winston-Salem On-Line Petition**



## 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!

# Winston-Salem Scottish Rite Fall Reunion of 2024



## Join the Winston-Salem Scottish Rite for more light in Masonry!

# Degrees 4-32 on Friday and Saturday, October 25 and 26, 2024 Initiation Fee is \$375.00

While there is no Masonic Degree more important than that of Master Mason, there is a long tradition—almost as old as Freemasonry—of "High Degrees" that expand upon and elaborate the teachings and lessons of the first Three Degrees. The Scottish Rite Degrees teach a series of moral lessons culminating in the 32°, Master of the Royal Secret. The Scottish Rite continues a Master Mason's education in many ways:

- 4°- 32° Degree work
- Speakers at meetings
- Masonic Book Club
- Leadership conferences
- Scottish Rite Journal
- Publishing Masonic books
- Scottish Rite Research Society
- Master Craftsman Program

Human progress is our cause, liberty of thought our supreme wish, freedom of conscience our mission, and guarantee of equal rights to all people our ultimate goal! -The Scottish Rite Creed

Access the online petition by pressing "Ctrl" and clicking on the link below, or copy and paste this address into your browser: <u>https://scottishrite.jotform.com</u> /212153454667962

You can also access the online petition by scanning this QR code:



For more information or questions, please contact the General Secretary, Brother Michael J. Fischer 33° at 336-723-1217, or by email at secretary@winstonsalemscottishrite.org



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## **Supporting RiteCare Clinics in North Carolina**



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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