



The Rite Review



July 2024

A Scottish Rite Newsletter from the Valley of Winston-Salem

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Upcoming Events

July 11, 2024 — July Stated Meeting... Our July stated meeting will be opened by the Chapter Rose Croix at 7:00 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. Masonic education will be a program on patriotism 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=NVBqL1NmUHg5NIBIVEYvUFhOYUJ4Zz09>.

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, Bob Blair, Rodney Bennett's wife, Dean Gordon's granddaughter, Glenn Chamberlin, Jerry Brown's wife, Chad Graham, Paul Pearman, Hobert Miller, Kenny Small's mother, Alan Williard's father, Lonnie Ring, Thomas Patterson, Sam Stroud, Robert Ellis, Wayne O'Neal, Bobby Sparks, Ronald Fortner, Robert Fox, Ray Anderson, Richard Starnes, Dan Cook, and Jon Canupp in your thoughts and prayers.

If you know of anyone who is sick or distressed, please feel free to contact General Secretary Michael Fischer.

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!



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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>

Almoner

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@winstonsalemscottishrite.org) at least one day before the Stated Meeting in order to assure that the presentation is ready for the meeting.

2024 Scottish Rite Masonic Charity Golf Tournament

The Winston-Salem Scottish Rite Valley recently held their 13th annual Masonic Charity Golf Tournament at the Oak Valley Golf Club. This event was a tremendous success. This event raised several thousand dollars for the NC Masonic Foundation, which funds the clinics at Appalachian State University, East Carolina University, and Western Carolina University. Brothers from across the Orient came together to support this most worthy cause. We also had 3 students and 3 additional volunteers from ASU help us all day. A big thank-you to brother Benton Williams for doing a fantastic job of organizing this special event.



SOARS 2024 Information

Friday August 16, 2024

- 1:00 p.m. Welcome
- 1:15 p.m. Keynote: Illustrious S. Brent Morris, 33° G.C.
- 2:00 p.m. Break
- 2:15 p.m. Membership Matters: Ill. Bob Weatherford, 33°
- 3:00 p.m. Break
- 3:15 p.m. Public Relations/Communications: Illustrious Craig Horton, 33° and Rita Daniels
- 3:45 p.m. The Pros and Cons of Artificial Intelligence (Butto, Daniels and Others)
- 4:15 p.m. Q &A with Orient Leaders and SGIG. Questions pre-selected from submissions to Secretary and forwarded to SGIG by July 1st
- 5:15 p.m. Town Hall with SGIG, time permitting.
- 6:00 p.m. A Special Ceremony of Investiture involving all PRs and Secretaries
- 6:30 p.m. Dinner on your own

Saturday August 17, 2024

- 8:30 a.m. Coffee
- 9:00 a.m. Panel Discussion with SGIG and Personal Representatives (Choose one)
Best Strategies? Engagement of New Members? Subordinate Lodges?

- 10:00 a.m. Presentation of the Grand Master/SGIG Train Trip 2024 and Plans for 2025
- 10:15 a.m. Panel Discussion with Grand Lodge Officers Past and Present. Questions pre-selected from submissions by July 1st.
How do you see the state of the fraternity and how can the Scottish Rite help?
- 11:15 a.m. Break
- 11:30 a.m. Rite Care, the NCSRMF, Development and Our Requirements for 501 C.3. (Shortt/Heilman/Cobb)
- 11:45 p.m. Rite Care Past, Present and Future
Alex Edmisten, 32° KCCH
- 12:30 p.m. Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. State of the Rite from SGIG
OWLS/Schedule/Calendar/Reporting/Edict 5 and 7/Wilkerson College
The Mentoring Program and Honors
Ritual Matters to Notice and the Masonic and Scottish Rite Funeral Rites
Recognition of Americanism Award
Recognition of Valley of the Year
"More New Things in 2024 toward "More Alive in 2025" Future Vision
- 3:00 p.m. Conclusion

SOARS 2024 Information (cont.)

Panel Discussions: Please submit questions for the three panels to General Secretary, Michael Fischer via email at secetrary@winstonsalemscottishrite.org by Friday June 28th.

Session 1: Question for Orient Leaders: Membership, Golf, Americanism, Public Relations, Communications, FaceBook, YouTube, Orient Degree Work, Development

Session 2: Question for Grand Line Officers: Related to Subordinate Lodges only.

Session 3: Question for the SGIG: SGIG reserves the right not to answer if it is "too personal."

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.

Hampton Inn by Hilton Hanes Mall

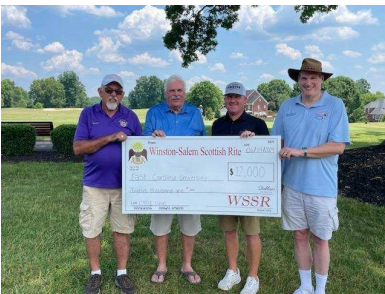
1990 Hampton Inn Court, Winston Salem, NC 27103
Book at [Hampton Inn by Hilton](#).

Courtyard by Marriott Winston Salem Hanes Mall

1600 Westbrook Plaza Drive, Winston Salem, NC 27103
Book at [Courtyard by Marriott](#).

Good Cheer!

At the conclusion of the Winston-Salem Scottish Rite Masonic Charity Golf Tournament, donations were presented to East Carolina University (\$12,000) and Appalachian State University (\$22,000) in support of their learning disability clinics.



July Birthdays

July 1st... Cliff Pranke, Curtis Webb

July 2nd... James Roe

July 4th... Lane Wagoner

July 5th... Rex Reid, Jody Stewart

July 6th... Terry Blevins, PJ Legnetti

July 7th... Tony Eller

July 8th... John Craven, Matthew Marsh, Dennis Sudderth

July 9th... David Bassett, Rahn Blackwell, Gene Cobb, Bill Coggin, Barry Norman, Richard Puckett, Gerald Whitlock

July 11th... Homer Dearmin, Skip Larson

July 13th... Russell Waddell

July 16th... Jon Garing, George Hunt, Lewis Ledford, Jack Weaver

July 17th... Alvin Trivette

July 18th... Larry Furr, David Simmons

July 19th... Joseph Jarvis, Delmer Moorefield, Marlin Wagner

July 20th... John Day, Zachary Rothrock, Jerry Smith

July 21st... Paul Peeples

July 23rd... Michael Roberts

July 24th... Phillip Carter, John Smith

July 25th... Thomas Cook

July 26th... Joshua Bailey, Alan Boone, David Draper, William Lennex, Thomas Patterson, Wesley Patterson

July 27th... Larry Slate

July 28th... Robert Fox

July 29th... Anthony Huffman

July 30th... Ronnie Boles, Brandon Miller

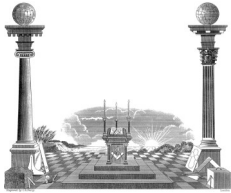
July 31st... Stephen Hux, Boyd Wilson



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.





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Supporting RiteCare Clinics in North Carolina



The Charles E. & Geneva S. Scott Scottish Rite Communications Disorders Clinic

Appalachian State University
400 University Hall Drive
Boone, NC 28608
Phone: (828)-262-2185

Pat A. Anderson Reading Clinic

Appalachian State University
305G Reich College of Education
151 College Street
Boone, NC 28608
Phone: (828)-262-2182

<https://rese.appstate.edu/reading-clinic>

East Carolina University Speech- Language and Hearing Clinic

East Fifth Street
Greenville, NC 27858-4353
Phone: (252)-328-6131
www.ecu.edu/cs-dhs/csd/clinic.cfm

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>

Websites of Interest

Winston-Salem Scottish Rite
www.winstonsalemscottishrite.org

Winston-Salem Masonic Center
<http://masoniccenterws.com>

WS Scottish Rite Facebook Page
[www.facebook.com/
groups/298141290271888/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/298141290271888/)

Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction
<http://scottishrite.org>

Freemason Network
www.freemasonnetwork.org/home

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