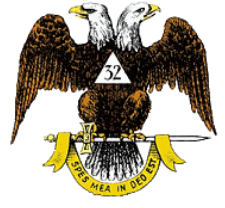




The Rite Review



September 2024

A Scottish Rite Newsletter from the Valley of Winston-Salem

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Upcoming Events

September 12, 2024 — September Stated Meeting... Our September stated meeting will be held at Snow Lodge #363 in Boone, NC and 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 be about our RiteCare Programs. Illustrious Brother Bill Carter and his wife will again be preparing a large, delicious country feast for all to enjoy. **See page 2 for more details.**

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.

Brother Rufus Edgar Richey, 32°, age 86, of Thomasville passed away on June 8, 2024. Brother Eddie was a 40-year member of the Winston-Salem Scottish Rite. He was a member of Thomasville Lodge #214. Eddie retired from Duke Power after a 34-year career. He was a lifelong horseman and enjoyed trail riding with friends and family. He served on several mission trips, including trips to Kenya, South Africa, and India. Please keep the Richey family in your thoughts and prayers.

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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

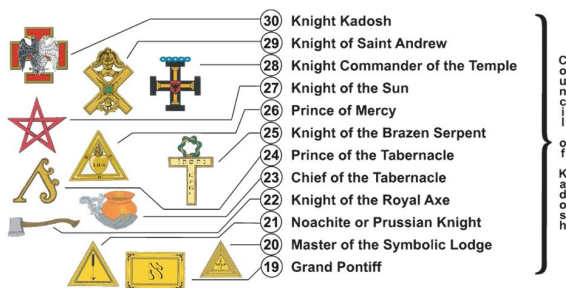
(secretary@winstonsalemscottishrite.org) at least one day before the Stated Meeting in order to assure that the presentation is ready for the meeting.

Sick & Distressed (cont.)

Brother Furman Edward Mason, 32°, age 87, of Clemmons, North Carolina passed away on July 30, 2024. He was the brother of Doug Mason, 32° KCCH. He was a 58-year Mason and member of Clemmons Lodge #755 when he passed away. He received his 50-year service award in October 2015. Brother Furman was also a military veteran. Please keep the Mason family in your thoughts and prayers.

Brother Chester Arzell Montgomery, 32°, age 91, passed away at SECU Hospice Care Center of Yadkin on July 30, 2024. Worshipful Brother Chester was a 22-year member of the Winston-Salem Scottish Rite. He was a 41-year Mason with memberships at Walnut Cove #629 and King #722 when he passed away. He was Master of Walnut Cove in 1990. He was retired from RJ Reynolds Tobacco with 37 years of service and served his country proudly in the United States Air Force. He served on the planning board for the Town of Walnut Cove and being involved with the Parks and Recreation Dept. Please keep the Montgomery family in your thoughts and prayers.

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



September Stated in Boone!

Our September Stated meeting will be held at Snow Masonic Lodge #363 in Boone and will be a joint meeting with the Asheville Scottish Rite Valley. Before the meeting, there will be tours at the Scottish Rite Communications Clinics at Appalachian State University at the following times:

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| 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. | Clinic tour, presentations, and updates at ASU at the University Hall Clinics. |
| 5:00 - 5:30 p.m. | Depart and travel to Snow Masonic Lodge #363. |
| 6:00 p.m. | Dinner at Snow Masonic Lodge #363. |
| 7:00 p.m. | Stated Communication at Snow Masonic Lodge #363. Presentation on Appalachian State Growing Well Program by Dr. Gail Donaldson and Gavin Colquitt. |

The address for the ASU clinic: 330 University Hall Drive, Boone, NC 28607

The address for Snow Masonic Lodge #363: 240 Temple Dr. Boone, NC 28607

Zoom will not be available at this meeting. Ill. Brother Bill Carter and his wife will again be preparing a large, delicious country feast for all to enjoy. Come join us for a great evening of fellowship in Boone.

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:
<https://scottishrite.ioform.com/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@winstonsalemsscottishrite.org

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

Worshipful Brother Joey Transou was recently honored by Kernersville Lodge #669 with an honorary membership.



September Birthdays

September 3rd... Jerry Campbell, George Kalamaras, Dennis Smith

September 4th... Henry Crouse

September 6th... Matthew Peeler

September 7th... Brian Nichols

September 10th... Barney Barnhardt, Frank Collins, Kevin Saturnino

September 11th... Calvin McClamrock

September 12th... Michael Brooks, Kent Brown, Norman Locke

September 14th... Lynn Castle, Louis Dumas

September 15th... Howard Colvard

September 17th... Ramiro Villalobos

September 19th... Robert Ellis, Doug Norris, Ron Vogler

September 21st... Lee Potter

September 22nd... Jimmy Thompson, Ricky Williams

September 23rd... Dale Leonard

September 24th... Sam Carson, Heriberto Fernandez

September 26th... Jason Anderson

September 27th... Terrence Brown

September 29th... Jerry Durmire, Robert Kepley

September 30th... Ronald Bumgarner

Supreme Council Openings

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 Short at pshortt@scottishrite.org. 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.

Good Cheer Report

Gene Cobb and his wife are improving and doing well after their recent automobile accident.

Michael Fischer's mother is improving and doing well after her recent surgery.

Amy-Jo Fischer is Worthy Grand Matron of OES this year.

Our Valley's Knights of Saint Andrew Chapter will be initiating 3 new Knights in the near future.

Grand Lodge Annual Communication

The Grand Lodge Annual Communication will be held on September 27 and September 28th on the ground floor of the Benton Convention Center in Winston-Salem. The Scottish Rite will have a table of information for Master Masons interested in learning more about the Scottish Rite. Winston-Salem is responsible for manning this table on Thursday, September 26th from 9:00 a.m. — Noon. If you are attending the Annual Communication and would be willing to help man the table, please contact our General Secretary, Illustrious Brother Michael Fischer.

Summer Orient Advisory Retreat (SOAR)

The Winston-Salem Valley hosted the 2024 Summer Orient Advisory Retreat, which was highlighted by some excellent speakers as well a panel of North Carolina Grand Line Officers and a panel of Orient Personal Representatives. The meeting was a wonderful success. A few pictures from the event are shown below.



Orient — Wide Scottish Rite Golf Tournament

Register Today!

To prepay using credit cards, please call (704) 365-3579.
Credit cards will also be accepted at the course.

Golfer/Sponsor 1: Amount enclosed _____

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I want to participate at the indicated
sponsorship level:

☐ **Team Sponsor:** \$500 contribution includes golf for 4 and
signage at a hole

☐ **Business and Valley Hole Sponsor:** \$200 contribution
includes signage at a hole, no golf

☐ **Individual Hole Sponsor:** \$100 contribution includes
signage at a hole, no golf

☐ **\$100 Individual Golfer:** Includes 18 holes of golf, range
balls and lunch



The Emerald Golf Club
5000 Clubhouse Dr, New Bern, NC 28562
(252) 633-4440



Important addresses

The Emerald Golf Club:
5000 Clubhouse Dr, New Bern, NC

The Candlewood Estates:
3465 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Bly New Bern,
North Carolina 28562

New Bern York Rite Temple:
2100 S Glenburnie Rd, New Bern, NC 28562

ECU RiteCare:
1310 Health Sciences Bldg.,
Greenville, NC 27858-4353

Come out to support RiteCare and have an
amazing time on the course



2024
Whitehurst & Sons Fence Company/
NC Rite Care Golf Tournament

Saturday, October 5, 2024
The Emerald Golf Club



Play Golf for the Kids!

Your support for this event directly benefits the NC SR Masonic Foundation's RiteCare clinics for Communication Disorders



No rain dates are scheduled

The NC Scottish Rite Masonic Foundation is an IRS-determined 501 (3)(c) corporation, and your donations, less the cost of goods and services received, are tax deductible to the full extent of the law.



2024
Whitehurst & Sons Fence Company/
NC Rite Care Golf Tournament
Schedule

Friday night:

2:30pm

Tour of the ECU RiteCare clinic

6:30pm

Wine & cheese social at
New Bern York Rite Temple

Saturday:

11:00 am

Lunch at the
York Rite Temple (NewBern)

2024 NC Scottish Rite Masonic Foundation Golf Tournament

The North Carolina Scottish Rite Masonic Foundation's golf tournament at The Emerald Golf Club is scheduled for Saturday, October 5, 2024. Played with a "scramble" format (captain's choice) it will provide an opportunity for players to enjoy a round of golf with friends, win prizes, and promote the main charitable endeavor of the Scottish Rite.

NC RiteCare Charity



RiteCare provides early intervention, diagnostic, and

Payment Options

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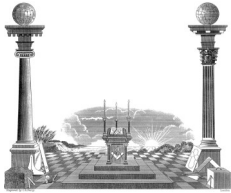
PO Box 19908

Charlotte, NC 28219-0908

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please call (704) 365-3579.
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Registration form on reverse side.





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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>