



# The Rite Review



April 2026

A Scottish Rite Newsletter from the Valley of Winston-Salem

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## Upcoming Events

**April 9, 2026 — April Stated Meeting...** Our April stated meeting will be opened by the Chapter Rose Croix at 7:00 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. We will be observing the Mystic Banquet and the Ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal.

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](mailto: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 Jon Canupp's mother, Ray Ashby, Robert "Gordy" Peeler, Chad Graham, Will Fulbright's uncle, Rodney Bennett's wife, Tommy Allen Jr.'s mother, Tom Jolly's wife, Jerry Brown's wife, Hobert Miller, Kenny Small's mother, Kenny Allen's wife, Thomas Patterson, Sam Stroud, Robert Ellis, Jeffrey Jones, Louie Cox's wife, and Bobby Sparks in your thoughts and prayers.

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

## Spring Reunion Practice: Save the Date

Our Spring Reunion is fast approaching! A practice is scheduled for the Degree teams on April 19th. Please come out and get ready for our Reunion.

**Sunday, April 19, 2026**  
1:00 pm to 5:00 pm  
at the Masonic Center

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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...

[Winston-Salem Petition](#). If you are a top-line signer on three petitions, your membership dues will be waived for the year.

### 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. Will Fulbright at...

[willfulbright@gmail.com](mailto:willfulbright@gmail.com)

### Newsletter Information

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

[wssrnews@gmail.com](mailto:wssrnews@gmail.com)

Please send any proposed newsletter content to Bro. Chris Pearman at the email above or to Bro. Bob Blair at...  
[bobbblair62@gmail.com](mailto:bobbblair62@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](mailto:secretary@winstonsalemscottishrite.org)) at least one day before the Stated Meeting.

### Good Cheer Report



Congratulations to Brother Michael Brooks on renewing his membership in the Acacia Guild. Well-done Brother.

A big thank-you to Brother Matthew Peeler for doing a fantastic job of organizing and leading the Valentine’s Event in February. Well-done Brother.



Congratulations to Brother David Longworth who has been selected to represent our Valley and attend the Scottish Rite Fellows Event in August at the House of the Temple. Well-done Brother

### Blue Lodge News

Brother Chris Grubbs of Kernersville Masonic Lodge #669 recently transported a truck full of snacks and food to the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford. These food items were donated by Brother Grubbs and Brother David Grubbs, PM, a member of Salem Masonic Lodge No. 289.



### Family Picnic – Save the Date!

Come join us for a family picnic event to celebrate the 250th Anniversary of the United States!

**Sunday, June 28, 2026**  
at the Masonic Center  
more info to come.

### 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!



### Reunion Booklet Request

Past Reunion Booklets Needed! We are asking for copies of past Scottish Rite Reunion Booklets from our Valley to scan for our historical records. If you have any of these booklets, please send an email to [wssrnews@gmail.com](mailto:wssrnews@gmail.com). We will be glad to return these to you after scanning. Thank-you for helping preserve our Valley’s history!

### LOP Challenge Coin

In honor of the Lodge of Perfection’s 100-year anniversary, the Winston-Salem Valley is selling a 100th anniversary coin as seen below. The price will be 2 for \$20... purchase the 100th anniversary coin and get the 75th anniversary coin while they last.



### Hurricane Helene Relief

Donations to help those in Western, NC affected by Hurricane Helene can be made to the NC Masonic Foundation at: <https://mfnc.org/how-to-give/invitation-to-give/>

### Spring Reunion Schedule

**Friday, April 24, 2026**

5:00 p.m. — Registration and dinner  
 6:00 p.m. — 4th Degree conferral  
 6:50 p.m. — Break  
 7:00 p.m. — Commun. 5th — 9th Degrees  
 7:50 p.m. — Break  
 8:00 p.m. — Commun. 10th — 13th Degrees  
 9:00 p.m. — Meanings, Symbols and Dismissal

**Saturday, April 25, 2026**

8:00 a.m. — Breakfast  
 8:30 a.m. — 14th Degree conferral  
 9:30 a.m. — Commun. 15th — 17th Degrees  
 10:00 a.m. — 18th Degree conferral  
 11:00 a.m. — Break  
 11:10 a.m. — Commun. 19th & 20th Degrees  
 11:20 a.m. — Lunch and class photo  
 12:40 p.m. — Commun. 21st—25th Degrees  
 1:40 p.m. — Break  
 2:00 p.m. — Commun. 26th — 29th Degrees  
 2:40 p.m. — Class leadership discussion  
 2:50 p.m. — 30th Degree conferral  
 4:00 p.m. — Commun. 31st Degree  
 4:10 p.m. — 32nd Degree conferral  
 5:30 p.m. — Wrap-up and dismissal

### April Birthdays

**April 1st...** Horace Bondurant, Rixie Gordon, Donald Norman  
**April 4th...** Vance Carson, Alex Edmisten, Russell Killen, James Patton  
**April 5th...** Craig Steelman  
**April 6th...** John Brim, William Fulbright  
**April 7th...** Brandon Faircloth  
**April 8th...** Ben Griffiths  
**April 9th...** Rick Lee, Bobby Perdue  
**April 11th...** Chad Chadwick  
**April 12th...** Eugene Hunter  
**April 13th...** Geoffrey Donn, William Keller  
**April 14th...** Donnie Small, John Vasquez  
**April 15th...** Dean Gordon, David Jackson, Andy Thomas  
**April 17th...** Billy McIntosh, Joey Transou  
**April 18th...** Charles Childress, William Parrish  
**April 19th...** William Brown, Neal Holladay  
**April 20th...** Steven Groner  
**April 25th...** Jonathon Shuping  
**April 26th...** Todd Hurn  
**April 27th...** Ralph McHone, Joseph Reid  
**April 28th...** Tony Cook, Michael Fischer, Larry Stanley, Steve Tucker  
**April 30th...** Rickey Matthews

### Appendix Cancer Awareness Walk

Brother Bob Blair will be hosting his second annual Appendix Cancer Awareness Walk on the morning of June 13, 2026. Appendix cancer and PMP (Pseudomyxoma peritonei) are rare diseases, affecting approximately 2-9 people per million per year (0.0009% of the population). Please feel free to check out the two links below and either register to walk or donate to research for this very rare form of cancer. We are particularly hoping for sponsorships this year, so if you as an individual or as a company are interested in sponsoring the walk, please let me know ([bobblair62@gmail.com](mailto:bobblair62@gmail.com)); the foundation is a 501(c)3 charity, so all donations are tax deductible.



His personal fundraising page... <https://secure.acmp.org/fundraiser/6956714>

The official walk fundraising page... <https://secure.acmp.org/team/801975>



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# SPRING REUNION

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, APRIL 24 AND 25, 2026

Honoring Ill. Brother Richard J. Smith, Sr., 33°  
and Brother David L. Crook 32° K.C.C.H.

Access the online petition by pressing "Ctrl"  
and clicking on the link below, or copy and  
paste this address into your browser:

[Winston-Salem Petition for Membership \(With payment\)](#)

or scan 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](mailto:secretary@winstonsalemscottishrite.org)

4537 Country Club Road Winston-Salem, NC 27104

# Masonic Charity Golf Tournament

The Winston-Salem Scottish Rite will be holding it's fifteenth annual Masonic Charity Golf Tournament on Monday, June 8, 2026. This event will be held at an exciting new location, the Maple Chase Country Club. We have plenty of room for golfers, sponsors, and volunteers. Proceeds benefit the RiteCare Scottish Rite Childhood Language Program (SRCLP) of North Carolina. The link to register and donate is here: <https://events.golfstatus.com/event/Ringers-for-Rite-Care>



**MASONIC CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT**  
**"Ringers For RiteCare"**

**WINSTON-SALEM SCOTTISH RITE**

<https://events.golfstatus.com/event/Ringers-for-Rite-Care>

**Date: Monday, June 8, 2026**      **Time: Noon**  
**Location: Maple Chase Golf and Country Club**  
**5475 Germanton Road**  
**Winston-Salem, NC 27105**

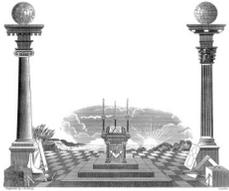
Use QR Code to Register

**Hole-in-One**

**PRIZES & AWARDS**

Questions: Contact Mick Gunter at 336-399-8806 or [mick@bspproperty.com](mailto:mick@bspproperty.com)  
 Sponsorship opportunities: Contact Scott Miller at 336-695-3792 or [sminutemen@proton.me](mailto:sminutemen@proton.me)





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## RiteCare Scottish Rite Childhood Language Programs of 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](http://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](http://www.winstonsalemscottishrite.org)

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

The Scottish Rite in North Carolina  
<https://www.ncscottishrite.org>

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

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

Scottish Rite, SJ Facebook Page  
[https://www.facebook.com/  
ScottishRiteFreemasonry](https://www.facebook.com/ScottishRiteFreemasonry)