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OFFICIAL PUPLICATION SCOTTISH RITE BODIES

June 2015

VALLEY OF SALINA ORIENT OF KANSAS

Calendar of Events:

6-14 Flag Day

6-20 Book Club 8:00 AM 3rd Saturday of the month, contact Donley Jones for more details 785-823-7518.

7-4 4th of July

7-18 Book Club 8:00 AM 3rd Saturday of the month, contact Donley Jones for more details 785-823-7518.

7-25 Shrine Bowl in Hays, KS

8-15 Book Club 8:00 AM 3rd Saturday of the month, contact Donley Jones for more details 785-823-7518.

8-30 Reunion Practice Contact James Winn for more information.

Dates to Remember

Fall Reunion followed by the Feast of Tishri September 12, 2015



Message from the Personal Representative Donald F. Hamilton, 33°



Dear Brothers, Guests, Friends, and all others: Summer is here and with it comes reporting, planning, arranging, preparing and everything that has to do with getting through the year.

Fall Reunion: is September 12th. James Winn's article has many of the details; however we need Members, twenty (20) is a good number to initiate this fall. Let's get going on finding them!

<u>The Feast of Tishri</u> a celebration of Thanksgiving, is an open expression giving thanks for all we have as Scottish Rite Masons. Plan to attend this portion of our Reunion ceremony. Reservations are mandatory and a nominal fee will be charged for dinner. You will be impressed and pleasantly surprised.

<u>JROTC and ROTC Awards:</u> yes we support High School (JROTC) and college (ROTC) Reserve Officer Training Corp for Kansas Schools. Kansas State has both Army and Air Force units.

Executive Secretary needed for the Valley of Salina. If anyone is interested in becoming Executive Secretary for the Valley of Salina they should contact Don Hamilton Personal Rep. for the Valley.

Qualifications: Member of Scottish Rite, experience with organizational work, "Idea Person", enjoy working with people, supervision experience, etc.

Website: valleyofsalina.org
Please retain this Newsletter in its entirety, for the period covered.

Greetings Brothers:

March 17, 2015 Scottish Rite held their Remembrance & Renewal. Members taking part were: Timothy A. Fowler, 32°, as the Wise Master, Palmer D. Price, 32° KCCH, as Orator, Donald F. Hamilton, 33°, as Secretary, Steven K. Miles, 32° KCCH, Senior Warden, David Greiser, 32°, as the Junior Warden, Thomas D. Walsmith, 32°, as the Almoner, Herb Summers, 32° Master of Ceremonies, Robert D. McClarty, 32°, Communion, James R. Winn, 32° KCCH, Guardian of the Temple, Kenneth R. Leander, 33°, Communion, James R. Winn, 32° KCCH, Director of the Work, Karl F. Ryan, 33°, Stage Director, Stage Crew: Frank Owsley, 32° KCCH, Brett A. Weis, 32°, and Rodney L. Denholm, 32°. Every one of these good Brothers did a very fine job. Our Fall Reunion will be September 12, 2015. We will have a one day practice sometime in August. If there are any changes I will notify the cast and stage crew. Here are a few suggestions for reaching out to possible candidates, no memorization, tell them there is much to learn, but nothing to memorize. No passwords, their dues card is their password to be welcome in all Valleys throughout the world. Part time participation-Many Masons hesitate to join the rite for fear they not have the time to participate. Remind these brothers that with our Fall & Spring Classes, it is possible to participate without committing oneself to a long series of meetings. Since we did not have a Spring Reunion let's try and do what we can to have candidates for the fall class. Have a great summer and stay safe.

Ilas Quotation: When the average person stands up to speak, his mind sets down.

James R. Winn, 32° KCCH

Director of the Work

JROTC and ROTC Awards

In the past several years we have not presented ROTC Awards at Kansas State University, but thanks to Donald F. Hamilton, 33°, our Interim Secretary and Personal Rep. There were two given at KSU this year.

Rodney W. Kalivoda, 32° KCCH from Manhattan, took time from his schedule to represent the Valley of Salina at these programs and presented the Certificates and medals to the deserving Cadets.

Receiving the awards were: Aaron Seaman – Army ROTC Jacob Masters – Air Force ROTC

Rodney also made a trip to Junction City to present a JROTC Award (consisting of a certificate and medal) to Cadet Beowuls Mitchell of the Junction City High School JROTC Program.

The Valley of Salina provided a certificate and medal to Saint John's Military School, in Salina, Kansas. Saint John's made the presentation to Cadet Alexander Weber.

We want to thank Rodney for representing the Valley of Salina, and Masonry to the young men and ladies of these outstanding programs.

In Memorandum

"As one by one, the autumn leaves fade in the forest deep,

So one by one, in each of you must come the touch of sleep;

As one by one, the rose burst into the morning light, So one by one, your soul shall wake again beyond the night."

Douglas H. Gomel	05/08/2015	
Robert C. Neuenschwander	02/25/2009	
George S. Parks	01/29/2013	
Henry C. Regehr	08/10/2013	
Lowell E. Shottenkirk	04/29/2015	
John L. Swarts, III	03/23/2015	
Wilmer "Fritz" Waymaster	04/12/2015	

November 23, 1942 - May 8, 2015



We want to acknowledge the loss of an outstanding Mason in the Salina area. Douglas was a member of Salina Lodge 60, a 32° KCCH member of Scottish Rite Valley of Salina, Isis Shine of Salina and Harmony Chapter 2, of the Order of the Eastern Star, in Salina.

Doug is best known for his work for the Blue Lodge doing Masonic Funerals. He will be hard to replace.

We extend our sincere appreciation to Brother, Doug for his generosity of time and meaningful words of comfort when they were expressed to those of us in a time of need.

Feast of Tishri

Do you remember the Feast of Tishri last year? Did you attend and have a good time in fellowship with your Brothers? We need you to spread the word that we are going to have a Feast of Tishri following the Fall Reunion on September 12, 2015. In order to make this successful we will need your help. We need to have candidates for the Fall Reunion.

It is not just the job of the Director of Work or the Secretary to find new candidates. It is the members job to scoop out good people that would contribute to Scottish Rite and help us to do the work of good and compassionate Masons to make our communities a better place to live.

Do you know someone that fits this description? If so, approach them and see if they have ever considered joining the Scottish Rite. If each of you use the summer, while we are dark, to find a candidate we will have a class that we all can be proud of, and a reason to celebrate our achievement.

Lost Members: Can you help us find where they went?

I have 8 members that we have lost contact with because their mail is being returned. Could you please help us find where they have gone?

Name Last known Town & State

Richard R. Kimball Mankato, KS

W. Marcus Mackey Owens Cross Rd., AL

Randall W. Mai Webb City, MO

Bradley O. Bartlett Lawrence, KS

Rodney R. Ratts Junction City, KS

Dale E. Reich Aurora, CO

Wendell R. Robinson Lucas, KS

David E. Ware Osawatomie, KS

If you have information on any of these members will you please call us at 785-827-9006, we are in the office 8:30 PM to Noon, Monday thru Friday.

Any help you can give us is appreciated.

Help us keep the cost of the Ilas Informer at a minimum.

One of the hardest decisions you'll ever face in life is, choosing to walk away or try harder.

3rd Annual Run/Walk to Help Children Talk

+ Post-Race Celebration

Participants and volunteers enjoyed a pulled pork lunch with chips and cookies, along with root beer fresh from the Hays, Kansas local brewery.









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Participants in the Run/Walk event

35:

Number of volunteers for the Run/Walk

\$2,071.50:

Proceeds that will go towards scholarships and clinic materials.

The Fort Hays State University Herndon Clinic and National Student Speech Language Hearing Association hosted the third Annual Run/Walk to Help Children Talk. The event was held at Municipal Park in Hays, KS on April 25th, 2015.

This year, the committee planned a "Post Race Celebration," to not only celebrate and thank participants, but also encourage non-runners and walkers to come join the event. The community embraced the event and local businesses donated all items needed to host a delicious post-race pulled pork lunch! In addition, generous sponsor donations covered the cost of the race, allowing all \$2,071.50 of registration fees, to go towards children scholarships and materials for the Herndon Clinic.

Several of the Scottish Rite Masons traveled to attend and support the successful event. Assistant Clinic Coordinator, Breanna Taylor, reported "We are so thankful to the Scottish Rite Masons for their ongoing support...faculty, students, and clients of the clinic were so happy to see so many of the Masons travel to Hays to join the event!"

The FHSU Herndon Clinic and student organization are so thankful for the sponsors, volunteers, and registrants contributed their time, money, and support and look forward to another successful event in 2016!



Every week, two kind, sweet and energetic young sisters named Kierdyn and Tehlyn travel 82 miles to the Herndon Clinic.

Staff, supervisors, and clinicians were first introduced to Tehlyn when she was evaluated in November 2013 at the age of four for concerns regarding delayed speech and possible stuttering. Her family had a hard time understanding her at times and was concerned because she sometimes repeated sounds and syllables. A speech-language evaluation indicated a speech and language delay, characterized by word finding difficulties, reduced length of utterance, difficulty framing responses to questions, and poor conversational intelligibility. Additionally, she presented with possible borderline stuttering at the time. At the time of the evaluation at the Herndon Clinic, Tehlyn was receiving speech-language services at her school; however, her mother chose to receive additional services for Tehlyn at the Herndon Clinic beginning in the spring 2014 semester because "the time allowed in school wasn't enough." Initial goals targeted narrative skills and enhancing Tehlyn's knowledge of prepositions.

Tehlyn has continued to receive services focusing on her use of fluency-enhancing strategies and use of story grammar elements while telling stories. Tehlyn's spring 2015 clinician, Katie Svoboda, a senior majoring in speech-language pathology, had a great experience working with Tehlyn. "The most enjoyable part about working with Tehlyn was that she was fun to interact with and easily motivated. As long as we were doing something that involved princesses she was excited and ready for our sessions," Katie stated. Katie also indicated that it was exciting to begin learning a research-based intervention program called Supporting Knowledge in Language and Literacy or the SKILL Program.

Tehlyn is not the only child in the family receiving services at the Herndon Clinic. When Tehlyn's mother learned about the summer groups being offered during the summer 2014 semester, she chose to enroll not only Tehlyn, but also Tehlyn's three year old sister, Kierdyn, who was having difficulties with speech and language. Kierdyn's goals initially targeted accurately using personal pronouns to respond to questions. Kierdyn continued services at the clinic during the school year and clinicians began targeting Kierdyn's intelligibility by increasing her ability to produce /s/ blends (e.g. words beginning with st, sn, sp). Andrea Burcham, also a senior, provided the services for Kierdyn during the spring 2015 semester. As a new clinician, she learned a lot, stating, "I learned how to teach a child to pronounce words correctly, and how to constructively correct them when a word is said incorrectly. I also learned how to better relate to children and keep them engaged in the session by providing fun activities." This experience confirmed for Andrea that "speech-language pathology is truly the career for her."

Tehlyn and Kierdyn's mother said, "The Herndon Clinic has helped a lot. Tehlyn used to stutter really badly and was behind in speech. Her peers couldn't understand her. Both girls are more able to use complete sentences and the services have helped them all around." Their mother went on to state that there are many things she has tried to do at home to help her girls, but the "one on one time at the Herndon Clinic has really helped." "Without the help of the Scottish Rite I wouldn't be able to bring them and get the extra help they need.



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