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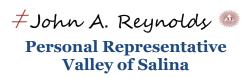
### **Message from the Personal Representative**

**Greetings Brothers!** 

It has been a very busy Spring. Remembrance and Renewal was a great success. We have two new brothers after the Spring Reunion. The Feast of the Consistory was something new and a great deal of fun. Thanks to the Flint Hills Scottish Rite Club for facilitating that event for the Master of Kadosh, John Spangler. The Celebrating the Craft event was also a first for the Valley of Salina. Fun was had by all.

We will be going dark over the summer. However, Wednesday morning coffee and donuts will continue. We will step out for the fall on August 26, for the Fall Reunion at the Lodge in Russell, Kansas. We have several candidates for the largest class in some time. That evening, we will celebrate the Feast of Tishri with a fine steak dinner. Be sure to check out the details later in this newsletter.

Have a wonderful summer!!!



### **Message from the Secretary**

# Website: valleyofsalina.org

Freemasonary is a compelling and conquering spiritual force, and the reasons are revealed in the Scottish Rite Degrees. Scottish Freemasonary is the foe of intolerance, fanaticism, and superstition. It battles every form of racial and sectarian prejudice and bigotry. It is a mighty exponent of freedom in thought, religion, and government. Thus, the Scottish Rite is a rite of instruction. It interprets the symbols and allegories of Masonry in the light of history and philosophy using the words of the supreme prophets of humanity, ceremonies of the great religions of the world, and significant episodes from history to point the moral and adorn the tale. The individual Mason is taught to put into practice in his personal life and through the lessons learned in the Blue lodge.

Valley of Salina will hold the Fall reunion in Russell, Ks for the first time August 26, 2017. It is what we call taking it on the road. This will be the first time for many of us. Come and support these fine Brothers.



### August 26, 2017

# Fall Reunion, Russell Lodge, Russell, Kansas

### **Schedule:**

8:00 – 9:00 Breakfast: Donation

8:45 Candidate report – Opening Remarks

Class Picture / Class Election

Scottish Rite Education

10:00 4<sup>th</sup> Degree

10:45 14th Degree

11:45 Lunch provided at Lodge Building for a cost.

Candidates lunch covered by Scottish Rite.

1:00 Scottish Rite Education

1:15 18<sup>th</sup> Degree

2:00 Scottish Rite Education

2:15 30<sup>th</sup> Degree

3:00 32<sup>nd</sup> Degree

7:00 Feast of Tishri Steak Dinner

# **\$25.00 per Person.**

### **Feast of Tishri**

The Russell Lodge will be hosting the Fall Reunion, and the Feast of Tishri will be held following the Reunion. If you have not been able to attend the Feast of Tishri before this is your chance.

The Feast of Tishri is a feast of thanksgiving. The Feast of Tishri is an essential part of the 14<sup>th</sup> Degree and eludes to the symbolic details of the Temple's position, design, construction, furnishing, and decoration as the metaphorical temple of Freemasonry built in the heart of every brother. We learn to recommit ourselves to build Freemasonry "in the hearts of men and among nations." The consecration of the Temple teaches the equality and unity of all members of the Rite. In the Feast of

Tishri, all Perfect Elus and those of higher degrees can join at the banquet and share the bond of fraternal unity. The law, legendry, peace, quality, unity, and fellowship of the Feast of Tishri combine to make this the Masonic Feast of Feasts.

Russell Lodge has a large dining room for this event and it would be great if we could fill it. This is your opportunity to get dressed up and attend an elegant evening and support your Scottish Rite at the same Time. They have planned a steak dinner, so we know that the food is going to be excellent. The theme and the decorations have always made for a very elegant evening. Cost for the evening will be \$25.00 per person. Guest are Welcome!

Reservation are a must, by Monday August 14<sup>th</sup> at Noon. Dress will be your Sunday Best (coat & tie), be sure to bring your Scottish Rite Cap.

### FLINT HILLS SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

Some enterprising Scottish Rite members in Manhattan opted to form a club for Scottish Rite activities. This is the first club in the Valley of Salina. Rex Boatman 33° will be the charter President of the club. The formal chartering took place at the Feast of Consistory in Manhattan on May 16.

Having a club will enable the crew over there to interact with the RiteCare clinic at K-State as well as local activities. This club will continue to be active in degree work at reunions.

Welcome.

# Valley Membership Achievement Project

By the time this is published the Spring Reunion will have come and gone. We are looking forward to an energized and well attended Reunion in Manhattan. Reunion is not just a time for conferral of Degrees but also a gathering of old friends and fellow Scottish Rite Brothers, a time when "Do you remember the time when......." Is heard frequently as old stories are recalled and related to the younger generation of Brother.

Brother Art Adams, in his letter printed below, recalls some of his Scottish Rite experiences of the past year. Brother Art became a Scottish Rite Mason last year. He has had more fraternal experience in that year than most of us have in the past 10 years. Here is what Brother Art had to say:

#### Dear Bother Rex:

As you know I joined the Scottish Rite about one year ago, when Manhattan hosted the one day initiation.

I have been a member of the York Rite Bodies since 1949. Brother Jim Winn and John Reynolds sold me on the Scottish Rite. I might say I have enjoyed it very much. Since I joined the Scottish Rite I have become a Life Member and have completed Quiz # 5 of the Master Craftsman #1 Program. I also attended the 2-day Scottish Rite Reunion at Wichita, Ks. I have attended several Scottish Rite meetings. I plan to attend the Scottish Rite Remembrance and Renewal Program March 21<sup>st</sup> in Salina. I Also plan to attend the Scottish Rite Feast of Consistory on May 16, 2017 in Manhattan.

Fraternally, Art Adams

This should be an inspiration to all Scottish Rite Masons, young and not so young.

The VMAP Committee will continue to function throughout 2017. Committee Members will be encouraged to interact with their local Blue Lodges in a manner that will display the principles and goals of Freemasonry and, of course, to promote membership in Scottish Rite Masonry. It is hoped that the committee will remain active during the summer months, remembering that the Fall Reunion is scheduled early this year, August 26, 2017.

Fraternally,
Rex Boatman, Chairman
Valley Achievement Project
Salina Valley
Orient of Kansas



### 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

Brandon Lee Rogers George John Thouvenelle 04/04/2017 03/10/2017

# Thank You, Note, ROTC Scottish Rite Award Army ROTC at KSU

Dear Scottish Rite Masons,

It is an honor to receive such a prestigious award that acknowledges the extracurricular activity and academic successes of a cadet. Receiving this award has provided me with extra motivation to continue my success and lead by example so my peers can do the same. This award represents all the hardworking cadets, who have put their time and effort into ROTC program to become outstanding future officers in the military.

Thankfully, CDT Joshua Robinson

# Run/Walk to Help Children Talk 2017



Overview of the participants for the event in the Methodist Church

The fifth annual Run/Walk to Help Children Talk endured Kansas spring weather to host a record number of participants for the 2017 event. Although rain and low temperatures lead to a last-minute move to the Hays Methodist Church, the Run/Walk boasted over 170 participants and an estimated \$2500 in earnings for children's scholarships and materials for the Herndon-Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic on Fort Hays State University campus.

Undergraduate and graduate students in the department of Communication Science and Disorders dedicated their time and talent to plan and host the event. The Delta Zeta Sorority braved the weather to maintain posts along the 5K rout, ensuring runners and walkers knew where to go. The Methodist Church youth group set up and tore down for the event, in addition to creating and maintaining a photo booth for participants. Many sponsors donated money or items to ensure the event was a success and that all participants were provided a delicious lunch after the Run/Walk.

The FHSU department of Communication Sciences and Disorders were thankful for the many Masons who arrived and sponsored the event. Despite the

cold weather, many made the trip from Salina to enjoy the company of students, faculty, and local community. In addition, the department and clinic are thankful for the financial and moral support from the Scottish Rite Masons.



Runner crossing the wet finish line.



Assistant Clinic Coordinator, Breanna Taylor and her daughter Magdalyn, Breanna is the lead contact for the Run/Walk

### KNIGHT OF THE DOUBLE EAGLE

I am pleased to announce a new program for the Orient of Kansas, Knight of the Double Eagle. The purpose of this program is to recognize member's contributions to the Craft. It is basically an accumulation of points, per set schedule, over a calendar year. While the program was finalized in March, we will start calculating points as of January 1, 2017.

The point system is as follows:

General Guidelines:

Points are accumulated on a continuing basis with a cutoff date of December 31 of each year. The awards will be presented at the Feast of Kadosh each January.

It is the responsibility of each participant to sign attendance sheets by printing in a legible manner, your name for each qualified event, at the time the event takes place. Names must be legible for points to be issued. All sign in sheets shall be submitted to the Executive Secretary of the Valley.

Organization leaders are responsible for reporting attendance to the Executive Secretary, at their respective meeting and special events. The Chairman of the Double Eagle Program will track points and post totals monthly.

### **Levels of Recognition:**

500 Points	Basic Medallion with
Black Ribbon	
1000 Points	Red Hanging Bar
1500 Points	White Hanging Bar
2000 Points	Blue Hanging Bar
3000 Points	Gold hanging Bar
5000 Points	Red Neck Ribbon
7500 Points	White Neck Ribbon
10,000 Points	Light Blue Neck Ribbon
15,000 Points	Red, White & Blue Tri-colored
	Neck Ribbon
20,000 Points	Gold Double Eagle Pin in a
	Tricolored Ribbon

### How Points are Awarded:

50 Points	Attend Meeting of Lodge of Perfection
50 Points	Attend Meeting of Lodge of Rose Croix
50 Points	Attend Meeting of Council of Kadosh
50 Points	Attend Meeting of Consistory
100 points	Perfect Attendance at all Stated Meetings &
Feasts	
50 Points	Attend Meeting of Feast of Tishri
50 Points	Attend Meeting of Remembrance &
Renewal	
50 Points	Attend Meeting of Feast of Kadosh
50 Points	Attend Meeting of Feast of Consistory
50 Points	Visit Reunion in another Valley
100 Points	Officer or Standing Committee Member

150 Points	Receive Honors Award (KCCH, 33° or				
Grand Cross)					
100 Points	Restore a member that has been				
suspended for NPD					
150 Points	Top line signer on petition form				
membership					
100 Points	Class Director, Degree				
Master or Degree Chairman					
50 Points	Tyler or Stage Crew				
75 Points	Degree – Speaking Part (memory)				
50 Points	Degree – Speaking Part (read)				
50 Points	Degree -Non-speaking Part				
25 Points	Degree/Ceremony Rehearsals				
50 Points	Present JROTC/ROTC Awards				
50 Points	Attend Honors Day				
50 Points	Attend Reunion per day				
100 Points	Completion of Master Craftsman I				
200 points	Completion of Master Craftsman II				
300 points	Completion of Master Craftsman III				
Discretionary Points may be awarded by the Personal					
Representative with the consent of the Executive					
Council of the Orient of Kansas.					

If you have any questions, please let us know.

### **Summons**

Scottish Rite Masons of the Orient of Kansas

### Deus Meumque Jus

To the Perfect Elus, Knights Rose Croix, Knights Kadosh, Master of the Royal Secret and Inspectors General Honorary of the Lodge of Perfection, Chapter of Rose Croix, Council of Kadosh, and Consistories in the Grand Orient of Kansas for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America:

Behold how good and how pleasant it is for Brethren to dwell together in Unity!

Let it be know and propagated throughout the Grand Orient of Kansas that I, Ill. Hugh W. Gill, III,33°, Sovereign Grand Inspector General of Kansas, exercising my prerogatives under the Statutes of the Supreme Council will convene a Court of Honor on Saturday, November 18, 2017, in the City of Wichita, State of Kansas, and hereby summon you to be present. The purpose of this Court of Honor is to renew our bonds of fraternal brotherhood, and to bestow the rank and decoration of Knight Commander of the Court of Honor upon those Master of the Royal Secret who have been so elected by the Supreme Council and to confer the

Thirty-Third and Last Degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite upon those Knights Commander of the Court of Honor who have Distinguished themselves by their service to humanity, their country, or Freemasonry.

Take due notice thereof and govern yourselves accordingly.

Hugh W. Gill, III

Sovereign Grand Inspector General
In Kansas

### **Knights of St. Andrew – Valley of Salina**

R:.W:. Robert McClarty

I am writing you in regards to the Knights of St. Andrew (KSA), Valley of Salina. As some of you may of thought or wondered..."What ever happened to the Knights of St. Andrew"? I am here to tell you that we are here, active and alive in the Valley of Salina. It has been a great start to 2017. Over the past few months we have been busy with new petitions, initiation, assisting with the Remembrance and Renewal Ceremony, and the Spring Reunion in Manhattan, and so much more. Special thanks to everyone who has been making so many exciting things happen. I look forward to even more great things over the next few months. Recently we have added six new Knights to the Valley, and it looks like we have additional petitions in the works and pending approval. As a 32°Scottish Rite Mason, we want you to come and be a part of what we having happeningcome and see what we have re-started.

Membership in KSA is offered to 32° Scottish Rite Masons, members of the Valley of Salina, in good standing. Those who have been honored with Knight Commander Court of Honor (32°KCCH) or Coroneted with the Inspector General Honorary (33°) are eligible for membership yet convey no rights or benefits other than to wear the badge of the order attesting to membership. Those who are have been honored with the 32° KCCH or coroneted with 33° who were members of the KSA while a 32° are emeritus members of the KSA.

If you were once a member and are interested in becoming active again, your past dues are waived; simply pay this year's annual dues (20.00) and come to the next meeting.

Scottish Rite Masonry is rewarding. It can be fun and exciting, and being a Knight of St. Andrew can be as fulfilling as you want it to be! We are beginning work on

offering the 29<sup>th</sup> Degree as an addition to the Reunion either later this fall or at the Spring Reunion, held in Russell on August 26<sup>th</sup>. We have been practicing our ritual and focusing on esoteric work while discussing both service projects and building our membership. We as Masons must continue to strive to improve ourselves in Masonry, while growing our Lodge, and honoring the Craft. As you know it is our obligation to be better daily.

For the Knights of St. Andrew to continue our recent successes, it takes active involvement, information, communication, and continued effort throughout our Valley. The Members of the Knights of St. Andrew and the Craft as a whole, must continue to make good things happen for our members and the Craft to thrive. I look forward to working with you on our ritual and providing esoteric work throughout our area. Come and add to the Knights of St. Andrew—it is good for you and good for Scottish Rite Masonry!

God Speed, Robert McClarty Venerable Master, Knights of St. Andrew

# LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Now is the time to consider purchasing a life membership in Scottish Rite. The current schedule is: 18 but less than 50 -\$2500.00

50 but less than 60 - \$1875.00

60 but less than 70 - \$1250.00

70 years old and above -625.00

We recently experienced a dues increase caused by increased per capita tax on every member. All Masonic organizations are experiencing this pressure. Our dues will remain steady through 2021. After that, who knows. It will take only a few years to recoup the expense.

As a group, we are aging. Those of us nearing retirement should think hard about a life membership as we stand to experience a steady increase in the coming years.

Please give us a call if you have more questions 785-827-9006.

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III∴ RONALD A. SEALE, 33°
is the Sovereign Grand Commander
III∴ HUGH W. GILL, III, 33°
S.G.I.G. of the Supreme Council in Orient of Kansas
III∴ JOHN A. REYNOLDS, 33°
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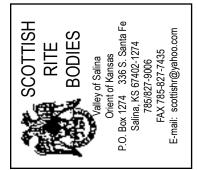
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# You are invited to attend Feast of Tishri

Saturday August 26, 2017 at 7:00 PM
Russell Lodge, 115 E. Wisconsin, Russell, KS
Steak Dinner with wine for the toasts
\$25.00 per person

Family and Friends are welcome!
RSVP to Office at 785-827-9006
by August 14th at noon.