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Calendar of Event

03-07 Spring Reunion

Canceled – No Candidates
Awards Presentation 1:30 PM
Third Floor Lobby.

03-17 Remembrance and Renewal
7:00 PM 3rd Floor / pie and coffee
Following the ceremony.

03-21 Book Club 8:00 AM
3rd Saturday of the month
Contact Donley Jones for more
Information 785-823-7518

03-28 Last Saturday Breakfast
8:00 AM Masonic Center in
Salina, 5th floor, Cost Donation

04-05 Easter Sunday

04-18 Book Club 8:00 AM
3rd Saturday of the month
Contact Donley Jones for more
Information.

04-25 Run/Walk So Kids Can Talk
Hays, Kansas.

04-25 Last Saturday Breakfast
8:00 AM Masonic Center in
Salina, 5th floor, Cost Donation

05-16 Book Club 8:00 AM
3rd Saturday of the month
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05-19 Stated Meeting
7:00 PM Masonic Center, Patrol
Room

05-30 Last Saturday Breakfast
8:00 AM Masonic Center in
Salina, 5th floor, Cost Donation

Message from the Personal Representative

Donald F. Hamilton, 33^o

Dear Members and Families and Friends of Scottish Rite:

Most of us are anxiously waiting for spring to be in full bloom: pretty flowers, green grass, leaves on the trees etc. Our Fall Reunion was capped with the “Feast of Tishri” celebration which was enjoyed by everyone and has been requested again this coming fall.

I call your attention to #1 Remembrance and Renewal Ceremony, details inside this newsletter. Plan to attend and participate in the ceremony. #2 Awards Ceremony- if timely. #3 “Run/Walk So Children Can Talk” event. #4 Articles from our Rite Care Centers appear in this newsletter. The Herndon Clinic at Ft. Hays is getting prepared for their fund raising activity this spring. Full details are presented so everyone can participate. Your contributions go to help offset certain costs – not offered by other sources. Event details in Rite Care section.

Finally, I am happy to announce that Herbert J. Summers, Jr., 32^o will become our representative to the Masonic Center Associates, Inc. board of directors beginning April 1, 2015.

Introducing Herbert J. Summers, Jr., 32^o, is a member of Salina Lodge #60 AF&AM, Valley of Salina Scottish Rite, Isis Temple and 2nd Lt Commander for Legion of Honor. Former member of the Salina Police Department from 1969-1979. Herb worked for Imperial Security Services, Inc. from 2002 until the present. We welcome Herb and Donelda, his wife, to our Scottish Rite family.



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entirety, for the period covered.**

Masonic Education

How to Study: By George Fillmore Swain

Education is an opportunity, nothing more. It will not guarantee success, or happiness, or contentment, or riches. Everything depends upon what development is produced by it and use is made of it. Properly employed, however and combined with high character with a due respect for the right of others, and with simple and practicable but high ideals, it should help a man very greatly in making himself of service in the world and so making his life really successful in the highest sense. What the student gets out of his education depends largely upon what he puts into it. Masonic education is but an opportunity for a good man to become better, it is not itself a guarantee, and similarly, when properly employed it should help him to enjoy a better life and contribute to a better society. Simple receiving the degree is not enough. As Masons, we are possessed of high character, a respect for others, and high ideals. As you learn and grow in the Scottish Rite, remember always to apply that knowledge to something in your life or in the real world, always striving to become better than yourself. In this way, you may look back, near the end of your days, and know that you have been of service to the world, and that you have made your life really successful in the highest sense.

Quotation for Ilas Informer:

It is wonderful to find an unexpected friend.
It is more wonderful to be one.

February 8, 2015 we had our Spring practice for the March 7th Reunion (which has been canceled). We had some new Brothers who filled in for the original cast members and they did very good for the first time. We broke for lunch and continued with the degrees. All degrees will be held on the third floor or where the stage is located from now on. Due to a lack of people in the stage crew it is more feasible to hold the degrees in these locations. Karl Ryan, 33^o Stage Director has reworked the time element for each degree. Karl does a great job to make sure that the Reunion is done in a timely manner. I am asking for Brothers who have the time twice a year and who are able to help with the stage crew. We need your help! All props are located now in the prop room on the stage. Support your Scottish Rite, you will be glad you did.
James R. Winn, 32^o KCCH, Director of the Work

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.”

Gayland L. Cauthon	10/30/2012
Jack E. Lungstrum	12/03/2014
Richard L. Mettlen	12/06/2014
Edwin W. Olson	09/29/2012
Donald L. Theel	11/24/2014
Robert W. Burns	02/02/2015



Herbert J. Summers, Jr., 32^o

Herb has accepted the position as the Scottish Rite representative on the Masonic Center Board of Directors, Inc. He will begin his term in April.

Masonic Education Courtesy of Chad Jones, 32°

What do the rough sands of the sea, the pinnacles of the temple, and the four winds of heaven have in common?

They are all unsanctified places. Having your body buried in one of these places meant in the past in Jewish and Christian traditions that you were denied entrance into the Celestial Lodge above.

In our Jewish and Christian history, the body was to be buried whole, not cremated. Cremation was used for those who were cast out of church, such as suicides, criminals, and non-believers.

Until the 19th and 20th century how you were buried were very important.

Blessed land, land that was sanctified by a priest, church land, and cemeteries. With the church being the most coveted place to be buried. The East side being coveted for burial as well. Cathedrals being the seat of the Bishop were seen as a holier place than a simple church, or cemetery as it was the seat of the Bishop. This is the final resting place of the famous, nobility, the wealthy, poets, and authors.

The land on the south, west and east would be used for burial. The north side was considered a place of darkness for burial.

Graves were dug running east to west. The head laid to the west looking upon the east. In Jewish tradition this was to imitate the Tabernacle or Temple. In Christian religion it is believed that the resurrection would come from the East.

It is also important for burial grounds to be a place that is high and dry to preserve the dignity of the bodies.

In the middle ages guilds took it upon themselves to see that members received the burial that they deserved. Often guilds used what is called a confraternity or group of laymen who with the blessing of the church preformed funerals and took care of the poor.

In early America, one thing that drew men to groups like Odd Fellows and the Freemasons was the opportunity for a decent burial. Today our Masonic

Memorial services are the tradition started by the guilds.

Awards Presentation 1:30 PM March 7, 2015

There has been a change of plans for the Awards Presentation, because there will be no Reunion the time of the presentations has changed to earlier in the day.

We will be presenting 65 year, 60 year, 50 year, 25 year and 10 year awards on March 7, 2015, at 1:30 PM on the third floor. R.S.V.P. are encouraged, 785-827-9006. This will give everyone a chance to see improvements that have been made to the building.

Members receiving 65 year certificates and pins are: Robert R. Bacon and Richard W. Smith.

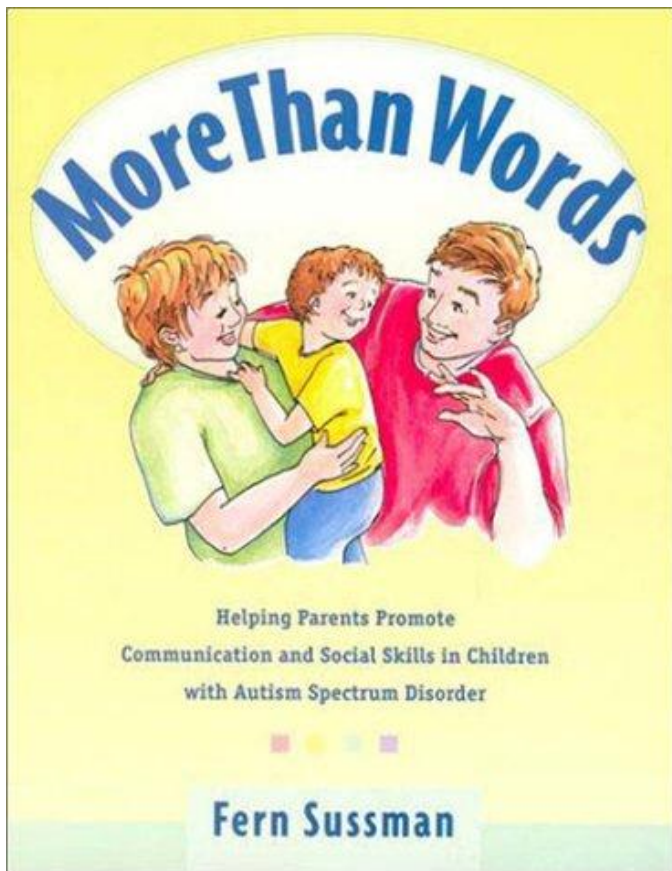
Members receiving 60 year certificates and pins are: Paul W. Herpich, Kenneth C. Stephenson and Charles E. Werhan.

Members receiving 50 year Caps and Pins are: Robert R. Best, Robert D. Bostater, Cardenas Gilberto, M. Francis Cooper, Donald F. Hamilton, John N. Sears, Marvin S. Steinert and Ronald D. Walters.

Members receiving 25 year certificates and pins are: Derald M. Blake, William D. Brooks, Wayne L. Carpenter, John L. Collins, Lloyd A. Davidson, Larry D. Doner, Gary W. Gallant, Joseph A. Hoffman, Arlen A. Johnson, Galen E. Johnson, Gregory K. Johnson, Ronald M. Kendrick, Donald K. Lieb, James D. Lindblad, Seth S. Lohofen, Geary W. Mosburg, Mark A. Naes, Carl Nichols, Robert M. Pickrell, Bruce L. Schultz, Jon Starns, Thomas F. Stevens, Ross E. Stover, Martin Wunderle, George J. Zakostelsky and James W. Ziegelmeier.

Members receiving 10 year certificates and pins are: Henry P. Burmeister, Nolan G. Sump, Stephen E. Dumler, Jay D. Keeler, Mervin E. Buchenau and Kaan A. Lu.

This is a total of 1,420 years of service in Scottish Rite. If you know any of these Members congratulate them for a job well done.



This semester, the Herndon Clinic at Fort Hays State University is offering the Hanen More Than Words Program to provide parents of young children with Autism Spectrum Disorder or social communication difficulties with practical tools to help their children communicate.

This program offers a unique therapy format which includes: a pre-program consultation, eight, three hour informative and personal classes for small groups of parents, and three one-hour individual consultations to support parent's implementation of strategies. In addition to parent training, students from the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders have volunteered free childcare to parents, when they attend the three hour parent training sessions, allowing parents uninterrupted time to learn effective strategies to utilize within their home environment. One parent reports "I just wanted to learn how to play with my child in the right way to help him develop," sometimes that wasn't possible when she had to care for her other small children during the time her son was receiving individual services last semester.

In addition to providing a wonderful opportunity for local parents, two graduate students have the opportunity to act as supporting clinicians for the program. They are learning valuable parent training

techniques to support parents in developing skills they can use in their natural, day-to-day life with their children. According to the Hanen website, there are no other reported language pathologists in the state of Kansas with a Hanen More Than Words certified provider, allowing a unique experience for these graduate clinicians. Graduate clinician, Blake Roth, reports "having the chance to provide service to not only the child, but the parents as well, and to improve that child's communication abilities and the parents' understanding is a very rewarding experience."

Due to the number of hours required planning and implementing this program, most program or providers charge, between \$1500-\$2500 to participate in this program. Thanks to the generous support from the Scottish Rite Masons, families at the Herndon Clinic can attend this extensive, evidenced-based program for \$350. To compare, an out-of-pocket cost for 60 minutes of speech therapy is \$100; this program provides 23 hours of intervention services, which would total \$2300 if a parent were required to pay out of pocket!

The Herndon Clinic is proud to offer this beneficial program to parents in the community and thanks the Scottish Rite Masons for providing the financial support to make it possible!

The Third annual Run/Walk to Help Children Talk

The third annual Run/Walk to Help Children Talk will be held April 25, 2015 to raise money for Fort Hays State University Herndon Clinic. Proceeds go to clinic materials and client scholarships for services. This year, a committee has been formed to plan and organize a "Post Race Celebration" with food and entertainment for all participants and Run/Walk donors.

The committee hopes planning a Post- Race Celebration will provide a family friendly atmosphere to celebrate participants and community support of the Herndon Clinic. In addition, providing a celebration will allow non-runners/walkers to participate in the in the event, predictably increasing overall attendance and donations.

The Run/Walk is booked for April 25th, however, the Post Race Celebration will not be confirmed until funds can be raised to support costs of event. The Run/Walk Committee has developed a sponsorship plan to help raise money for estimated costs of Run/Walk and Post Race Celebration (e.g. t-shirt, lunch, chairs, etc.)

Sponsorship levels include:

Bronze Level (\$50 – 100): 1 free entry (including t-shirt and lunch), recognition on social media (e.g. website, Facebook), and recognition at the event.

Silver Level (\$100.00-200.00): 2 free entries (including t-shirts and lunch), recognition on social media (e.g. website, Facebook), recognition at event, and name on Run/Walk t-shirt.

Gold Level (\$200+): 2 free entries (including t-shirt and lunch), recognition on social media (e.g. website, Facebook), recognition at event, name on Run/Walk t-shirt, name on plaque in Herndon Clinic for 1 year.

Students and faculty at FHSU are hopeful they can raise money for the new addition to the Run/Walk To Help Children Talk 2015 and consequently increase community participation and monies raised for children at the Herndon Clinic! For information regarding donations, sponsorship, or registration please contact Breanna Taylor at 785-628-5260 or btaylor@fhsu.edu. Brochures and registration will be available by the end of February.

Information on this event will be available in the Scottish Rite Office at 785-827-9006.



Students and staff at the 2014 Run/Walk



Manhattan Scottish Rite Members hosted Staff and Grad Students from KSU Speech and Hearing Center



Director Robert Garcia, Staff and Graduate Students enjoyed a Chili Supper held on January 25, 2015, at the Lafayette Lodge #16 dining facility. This event was sponsored by Scottish Rite Masons. This was a great “get acquainted” event and warm friendships were established by the end of the evening.

The KSU Speech and Hearing Center was designated a “RiteCare” Clinic in August of 2014 on the KSU Campus with a dedication ceremony held at that time. This is the fifth “RiteCare” Clinic to be so designated in the State of Kansas, and the second in the Valley of Salina.

Scottish Rite Masons hope to continue to be involved in the Manhattan and KSU Communities in supporting “RiteCare” services to children and adults of the area.

Submitted by Rex R. Boatman, 33°

**“Positive thinkers
get positive results
because they
are not afraid
of problems.”**

Remembrance and Renewal

Remembrance and Renewal will be observed on March 17, 2015 at 7:00 PM. The ceremony will be held in the 3rd floor auditorium. Pie and coffee to follow in the dining room.

We honor our deceased Brothers since our program a year ago. A red rose will be presented to the widows.

This program is open to the public, so invite your friends and neighbors, especially family members. The cost for this event is by donation, with proceeds going to our Almoners fund. We would like to know how much pie to get so phone calls or emails with the number would help us plan accordingly. Please attend.

Remembrance and Renewal cast members report to the auditorium at 6:00 PM. Stage crew, sound director, curtain operators, ushers etc. also report at 6:00 PM

Scottish Rite Social

John A. Reynolds, 32° KCCH

It has been discussed that we should have a social event outside of the building and normal Scottish Rite Activities. This has been a popular topic at the business meetings. Therefore, I am asking for some feedback on the idea. The initial social would probably take place in Salina at a local brewery. We could have food and craft beer while we socialize. I would hope to move this around the Valley, i.e. Manhattan, Hays, etc.

Think this over and let us know at the office (scottishr@yahoo.com or 785-827-9006) or to me at john@rlopalaw.net I look forward to hearing from you all.

Jesus and the Easter Bunny

By Dr. Ralph F. Wilson

Ask your average heathen youngster what Easter is all about and he'll tell you about the Easter bunny, and finding Easter baskets filled with that annoying grass that seems to stick to household furnishings long after Easter is past. And those pastel foil-covered football things that are a sorry excuse for real chocolate. And, of course, there are Easter eggs to dye and jelly beans – you've got to have jelly beans. Black beans are best.

“And mommy, that's what Easter is.”

“Oh, Jason, how cute.”

How sad! Most children today don't know about what Easter really means.

Why don't you tell the story of Jesus to your children or grandchildren this Easter? Tell them about the man who is God's Son, who came to show people the love God has for them. Tell them how evil people murdered him by nailing him to a cross. Tell them how Jesus was buried in a rock-hewn tomb. Let them hear how the Roman soldiers were powerless the morning of that third day when the stone rolled away and Jesus walked forth alive.

Tell your children that because Jesus, even though people may die, they will not stay dead. That they can live forever with Jesus, and even their bodies will be raised from the dead just like Jesus' body was.

Now I'm sure that Jesus loves bunnies – he made them. And probably chocolate, too. But don't you think he gets a little impatient with parents and grandparents who exalt a rabbit over the Savior? And his own special Day, too?

How about it? Will you tell them the real story this year? Maybe even take them to church where they'll hear the story told by experienced Sunday school teachers? Sure buy some jelly beans and a wad of that clingy grass for their baskets. But don't suppress the real, fascinating truth of Jesus' triumph over death.

After all, those same children are trying day by day to make sense of the death and life they see around them. They have real hopes and real fears and a destiny unfolding. They deserve a real “Jesus Easter” this year.

Date: April 25th, 2015

Location: Municipal Park

Same Day Registration: 10:30am

Race: 11:00am

***Celebration:** 11:30-1:00pm

Registration includes: Race entry, t-shirt, and tickets for post-race celebration

Early Registration Cost By April 17th

\$15.00 | FHSU Student

\$20.00 | Adult

\$10.00 | Child

On-Site Registration: Add \$5.00

Registration: Forms available at the Herndon Clinic at FHSU

* Post race celebration and meal contingent on funds raised.



YOUR SUPPORT WILL:

Provide client scholarships to children in need of speech/language services and provide needed clinic materials to Herndon Clinic.

SPONSOR TODAY!

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- recognition at the event

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- recognition at event
- name on Run/Walk t-shirt

Gold Level

(\$200+):

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- recognition on social media
- recognition at event,
- name on Run/Walk t-shirt
- name display in Herndon Clinic

For more information on sponsorship, please contact Breanna Taylor at 785-628-5260 or brtaylor2@fhsu.edu

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