



The Rite Review



February 2025

A Scottish Rite Newsletter from the Valley of Winston-Salem

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Upcoming Events

February 13, 2025 — February Stated Meeting... Our February stated meeting will be opened by the Consistory at 7:00 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. Masonic education will be provided by the education committee.

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) 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 Joe Edmunds, Gerrald Todd, George Beroth, Tommy Allen Jr. and his mother, Rodney Bennett's wife, Rick Lewis, Dan Cook, David Crook's son, Michael Fischer's mother, Jerry Brown's wife, Doug Mason, Hobert Miller, Brian "Shea" Goins' wife, Kenny Small's mother, Kenny Allen's wife, Alan Williard's father, Lonnie Ring, Thomas Patterson, William Lennox's wife, Sam Stroud, Robert Ellis, Wayne O'Neal, Todd Kepley, Jeffrey Jones, Bobby Sparks, Ronald Fortner, Robert Fox, Ray Anderson, and Richard Starnes in your thoughts and prayers.

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

General Secretary

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336-723-1217

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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.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Brother Bob Blair for over 8 years of exceptional service as the Secretary/Treasurer of the Winston-Salem Chapter of the Knights of Saint Andrew! The KSA Officers recently recognized and awarded Brother Blair a Secretary Emeritus of the Knights of Saint Andrew. Well done and thank-you brother!



Blue Lodge News

Kernersville Masonic Lodge No. 669 recently collected a lot of toys during their Toy Drive Fundraiser Event for the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford. Several Brothers from Kernersville Lodge transported these items to the Home.



Congratulations to Brother David Draper on being elected as the Worshipful Master of Enterprise Masonic Lodge No. 752.



Good Cheer Report

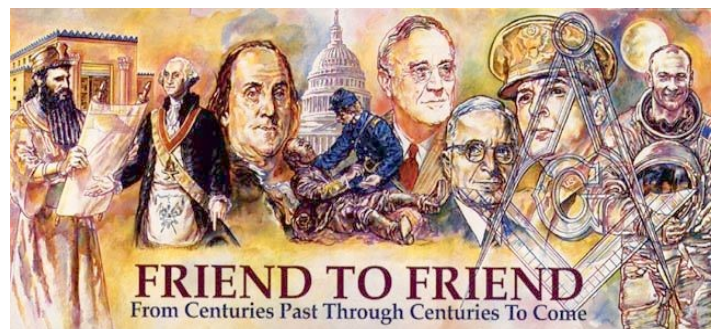
Congratulations to Brothers Joey Transou and Cliff Pranke on receiving the Lifetime Meritorious Award. Thank-you for all you have done, and continue to do for our Valley.



Congratulations to Brother Todd Hildebran on renewing his membership in the Acacia Guild. Well done Brother.



Congratulations to Brother Horace Holland on receiving his 25-year Scottish Rite service award. Well done, Brother!



Scottish Rite Spring Reunion

Save the Date!

Our Spring Reunion will be here sooner than we know. Keep April 25th and 26th open on your calendar!

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!

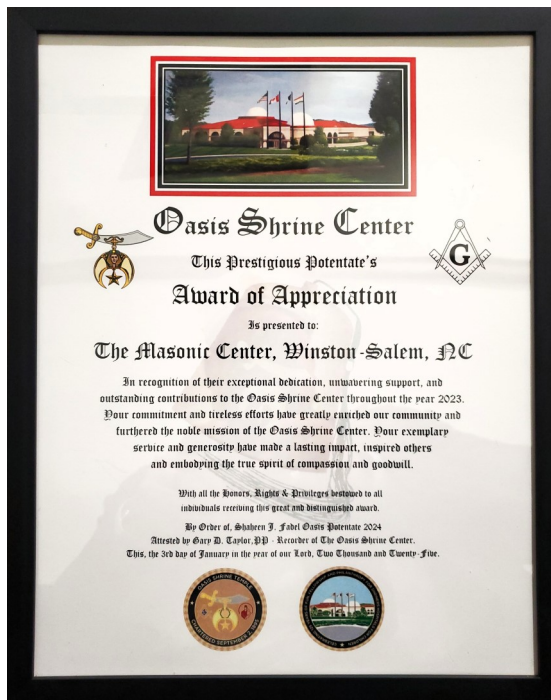


Hurricane Helene Relief

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/>

More Good Cheer

The Masonic Center of Winston-Salem received the prestigious Potentate's Award of Appreciation from the Oasis Shrine for their outstanding efforts!



February Birthdays

- February 1st ... Sean Tolbert
- February 2nd... Robert Absher, Henry Allen, Matthew Smith
- February 3rd... Todd Hildebran, Matthew Martin, George Wilcox
- February 4th... Ernest Golding
- February 5th... Robert McKinney, Charles Smith
- February 6th... Stephen Carter, Rayford Myers
- February 7th... Jerry Hooker
- February 9th... Ed Vogler
- February 10th... Carl Lambert, Dale Rose
- February 12th... Michael Neaves, Vilas Payne
- February 13th... Freddy Gibson, Kevin Weyer
- February 17th... Jim Earnhardt, Mark Stewart
- February 18th... James Fonshill
- February 20th... Bryan Lee
- February 21st... Isaiah Reed
- February 22nd... Wayne Arrowood, Daniel Miller, Mark Williams
- February 23rd... Charles Fry
- February 25th... James Oliver
- February 26th... Thornton Beroth, Von McKnight
- February 27th... William Adams, Joe Gibson
- February 28th... Brent Higgins

KSA News

The following have been elected officers of the Winston-Salem Valley Knights of Saint Andrew:

- Knight Master — Kenny Allen
- Senior Warden — Thomas Sadler
- Junior Warden — Paul Woodruff
- Senior Deacon — Matthew Peeler
- Junior Deacon — Phil Cameron
- Chaplain — Derek Frosh
- Sentinel — Rex Card
- Secretary/Treasurer — Todd Kepley

Congratulations, Brothers!

Valentine's Dinner & Dance



Presented by the Winston-Salem Scottish Rite

Valentine's Party



Semi-Formal Attire - Order Tickets at Eventbrite.com

Eventbrite.com Web Link

Access Eventbrite by pressing "Ctrl" and clicking on the link above

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The Masonic Center of Winston-Salem
4537 Country Club Road
Winston-Salem, NC 27104

5:45

P.M.

Contact Brother Paul Woodruff with Questions:
336-793-7757 pwoodruff42@ymail.com

Washington, D.C. Train Trip

Masonic Historical Sites in Washington, DC

North Carolina Grand Master and Sovereign Grand Inspector General's Invitation to the Annual Train Trip to Washington DC

The Grand Master of North Carolina, MW Robert Rideout, 32° KCCH, and Sovereign Grand Inspector General, Illustrious A. Gene Cobb, Jr., 33°, invite you to join them on an unforgettable Masonic journey to Washington D.C. from March 10-12, 2025. Discover the roots of our brotherhood at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial, explore the architectural marvel of the House of the Temple, and participate in exclusive ceremonies. This trip offers not just a tour, but an immersive experience into Masonic history and tradition. Secure your place for this unique fellowship opportunity today.

The George Washington National Masonic Memorial

On February 22, 1910, Virginia's Grand Master, Joseph W. Eggleston, convened Grand Masters from across the U.S. at Alexandria-Washington Lodge to establish The George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, aimed at creating a tribute to George Washington, the Mason. The Memorial, conceived as a symbolic lighthouse, was approved a decade later, situated on a hill in Alexandria familiar to Washington himself.

The House of the Temple

The House of the Temple, constructed as a grand and enduring home for the Scottish Rite, was commissioned not for immediate use but as a lasting symbol for future generations. It stands as a testament to the ambition and pride of Scottish Rite Masons worldwide, located in the capital of the United States, designed to be a magnificent structure worthy of its surroundings and its purpose.

How to Begin Your Journey
Master Masons and Masters of the Royal Secret and family are welcome!

Scan and Complete Form.

Trip is self-funded.



Day 1 - March 10

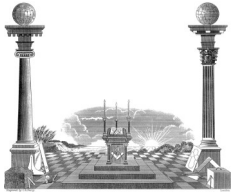
4:00 p.m.	Scheduled Arrival in Alexandria
5:00 p.m.	Check in to Hilton
6:00 p.m.	Dinner to be determined*
Evening	Free time*.
Dress Code:	Comfortable for travel.
Lunch:	Dining Car or bring your own.*
Dinner:	Local restaurant.

Day 2 - March 11

8:30 a.m.	Begin walk to GWNMM.
9:00 a.m.	GWNMM* \$20.00
Noon	Metro into D.C. and Lunch* Metro Rate *
2:00 p.m.	House of the Temple
6:00 p.m.	Dinner at the Valley of Washington, Orient District of Columbia*
7:00 p.m.	Ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal
Evening	Return to Alexandria*
Dress Code:	Coat and tie and comfortable walking shoes. Scottish Rite Caps for the evening ceremony. Aprons are not required.

Day 3 - March 12

Breakfast:	On your own but be ready to go at 8:30 a.m.*
10:00 a.m.	Walk to Train Station
10:48 a.m.	Scheduled Departure return to North Carolina



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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>