



The Rite Word

From the Venerable Master

A sense of *Community* is something that every person desires and is the underpinning link in the chain of society. Everyone wants to belong and to feel like their presence adds value. Everyone wants to be part of a greater whole. This concept is deep rooted in not only our country, but throughout the world in all human associations and religions. When one looks with a keener eye, we find a deeper love of and appreciation for *Community* as expressed through God and Country.



Community is observed through the eyes of the Jewish faith under the Shavuot. The religious observance consists of the grain harvest, and the giving of the Torah. Shavuot is one of three ancient pilgrimage festivals, and focuses on the synagogue, *community*, and its ritual. The *Community* gathers at the synagogue for special readings including medieval poems and the book of Ruth. The book of Ruth is important as its setting takes place during the time of the barley harvest, and the assumption by Ruth of Naomi's religion was symbolic of the Israelites' accepting the Torah at Sinai. This also includes the period of time when King David died according to rabbinical tradition, which we find during this season, in the end readings of Ruth. A strong sense of *Community* is observed during the all-night study sessions of *Tikkun Leil Shavuot*. During Shavuot both *Hallel*, the Psalms of Praise (Psalms 113-118), this is observed along with *Yikor*, it being a memorial service. Through the *community* of Shavuot, historic consciousness is found. One can observe that it takes the form of a covenant between God above and Israel at

Mt. Sinai below and is an emblematic marriage between God and the *community* of Israel, in hope and celebration of the springtime of their relationship.

The Star Spangled Banner, Stars and Stripes, and of course Old Glory are but a few names that the flag of our country goes by. This month we have the opportunity to pay our respects to our flag, the symbolic emblem of our nation. June 14th was chosen by Bernard Cigrand in 1885 to hold a 'Flag Birthday' or 'Flag day.' He arranged to hold this observance for his students in Fredonia, Wisconsin. In 1889, George Balch of New York did the same for his pupils. Two years later the New York school board formally adopted this observance. Many important groups and individuals supported this tradition, and it grew. On June 14, 1894, over 300,000 school children observed Flag day. This was not to be only for the children; in 1914, Franklin K. Lane spoke about what the flag symbolically spoke to him that morning, "I am what you make me; nothing more. I swing before your eyes as a bright gleam of color, a symbol of yourself." The celebration became an official holiday when Woodrow Wilson made the official proclamation in 1916. On August 3, 1949, our Brother and President Harry Truman signed an act of Congress designating June 14th of every year as National Flag Day, and since that day, we have the opportunity to honor the flag of our great country every year. We have a *community* of children, teachers, and leaders to thank for this, and of course a little help from a Brother. Take a moment and listen to our brother Red Skelton's rendition of the Flag salute online. What a wonderful sense of *Community*, Country, and God!

Make your RSVP for the Grand Masters Reception by June 10, No reservation means you will not be seated.

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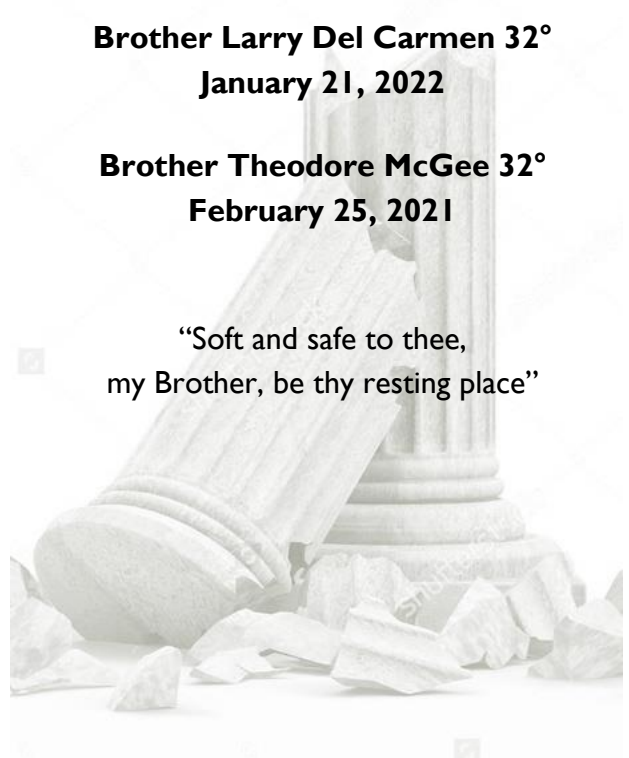
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January 21, 2022

Brother Theodore McGee 32°
February 25, 2021

"Soft and safe to thee,
my Brother, be thy resting place"



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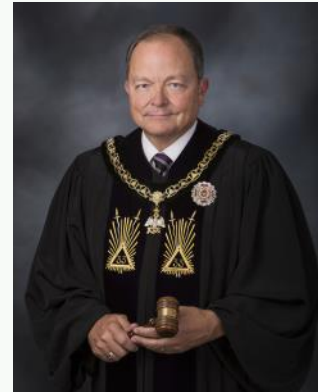
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Supreme Council A.A.S.R.
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Sovereign Grand Inspector
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Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite
Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.

The Bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, sitting in the Valley of San Jose, in the Orient of California, acknowledge and yield all allegiance to the Supreme Council (Mother Council of the World) of the Inspectors General, Knights Commander of the House of the Temple of Solomon of the Thirty Third Degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of freemasonry for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America.

*The Personal Representative
and
The Venerable Master
of the
Scottish Rite Valley of San Jose*

Invite all

Scottish Rite Freemasons and all other Brother
Freemasons to

**A Night of Scottish Rite Instruction and
Agape Dinner**

Tuesday, June 21, 2022

6:30 PM to 9:00PM

Honorable Jordan Yelinek 32° KCCH

Scottish Rite Valley of San Francisco

Will present his paper

**Our Ritual as a Sacred Text
Schedule of Events**

6:30 PM - Social Gathering

7:00 PM - Speaker

7:30 PM - Festive Agape/Dinner

Cost \$25.00

**Requested dress is white tie & tails, tux or
dark suit & tie with SR Cap**

NOTE:

Reservations are required

**Please call the SJ Scottish Rite @ 408-978-7483
or visit the office to make your reservations**

**Payment must accompany reservation. Reserva-
tions not cancelled by June 17 must be honored.**

Cash, personal check or credit card

From the Commander of Kadosh

**21st degree - Noachite, or Prus-
sian Knight:**

The lesson from this degree is to learn that arrogance; defamation, and cowardice are unworthy attributes of a mason and that humility, modesty, and courtesy are the true virtues of men and Masons. The apron is yellow and contains an arm holding a sword, a winged figure holding a key in the left hand, with the right forefinger on the lips (the "Egyptian figure of Silence"). The jewel is a point-up triangle, with an arrow, pointing downward, an arm holding a sword, and the motto "Fiat Justitia, Ruat Caelum." (Let justice be done though the heavens fall)



Jack Harris



III. Chuck Cowden and Hon. Art Pasquinelli and Brandon Duanas present the JROTC award

From the Master of Kadosh

Nike Missile Site SF-88L

Golden Gate National Recreation Area

Address: Fort Barry, Field Rd, Mill Valley, CA

Directions: In the Marin Headlands just north of the Golden Gate Bridge. Take Alexander Avenue (first) exit, turn right, then first left to tunnel. Go through tunnel and stay on Bunker Road for approximately 2.5 miles. At fork in the road, stay to left on Field Road. Site SF-88L will be the first right beyond the Visitor Center parking lot.

Hours: Tours Sat 12:45, 1:30, 2:15 pm. Longer summer hrs. Closed in bad weather. (Call to verify) Local health policies may affect hours and access.

Phone: 415-331-1540

Admission: Free

Date: Saturday June 25.

We will meet at 10:30 at the Scottish Rite Center for possible Car pooling.

There is no food service anywhere close so we suggest you bring a lunch.

The site is about 80% mobility accessible because the silo is underground for hardening, but if the lift is working they can raise the missile above ground as shown in the picture below. Then all we will miss is the control room and the storage bay.

To give the site an approximate head count, please notify me if you plan to go and the number of people in your party. Johnp4609@yahoo.com or 408-489-8128



From the Chief Knight

29th Degree – Scottish Knight of Saint Andrew

The main theme of the 29th Degree focuses on the fictionalized events, which take place after the capture of the chivalric Knights of the Alliance.

The Sultan Beyazid, received at his temporary court, which set in the interior of the Cathedral of St. Andrew, several chivalric Knights who belong to the Order of St. Andrew.

The Sultan Quoting from the prophet Mohammed, “Thou shalt not degrade noble enemies!”, immediately unchains the Knights and provides a respectful opportunity to eventually set them free.

While the incidents that portrayed in this degree are not historical in fact, the lesson taught is Toleration – which is one of the great tenets of Freemasonry. This degree is unique in the sense that it is the only Scottish Rite degree where religious tolerance, particularly between Christianity and Islam, the second largest monotheistic religion in the world, is emphasized.



John P. King

David M. King

33rd Degree—Inspector General Honorary

Achieving the 33rd Degree, Inspector General Honorary (IGH), is an honor bestowed on a just handful of Scottish Rite Masons. Originally, there were only nine members of the Supreme Council. And they were the only 33rd Degree members in the Scottish Rite. Over the years the number of Sovereign Inspectors General (SGIG) in the Supreme Council was periodically expanded.

In 1857, the Supreme Council chose to expand the number of Scottish Rite Brothers who could receive the 33rd Degree. The SGIGs became Inspectors General Active (IGA), and the additional 33rd Degree members were called Inspectors General Honorary (IGH). Today, there are 33 SGIGs or "Active 33rds" in the Supreme Council.

What do you learn in the 33rd Degree?

Like all Masonic degrees, the 33rd conveys a lot of information and emphasizes moral rectitude and service. If you have taken the time to study the rituals and lectures of the preceding Scottish Rite degrees, you will recognize a summary and application of their lessons in the 33rd.

Despite some people's colorful imaginations, the 33rd degree is not convey secrets about space aliens, the national treasure, or magical powers. But it does provide what Tantric Buddhists call "abhisheka" or an "empowerment".

A Buddhist empowerment is the transfer of power during a ceremony to give recipients the authorization to hear, study, and practice the teachings of the "Vajrayana" (meaning the diamond or lightning path). "Vajra" is a term used to signify the absolutely real and indestructible in a human being—as opposed to the fictions an individual entertains about himself and his nature—and "yana", the spiritual pursuit of the ultimately valuable and indestructible.

The 33rd Degree presents an aspect of humanity of which many of us are not fully aware. This perspective enables us to better understand and deal with the realities of the human experience and human society in which we, as Scottish Rite Masons, are to serve and help improve.

The 33rd Degree is about empowering the recipients' vision to more effectively and efficiently contribute to the world around them. It is essential to understand our role as leaders, how to go about leading, and how to interpret the results of our efforts.

Good leadership does not always give rise to success. Leadership has nothing to do with scoring points, getting your ticket punched, climbing the ladder, gathering honors, or accumulating wealth. True leadership is taught or exemplified in many Masonic degrees. If you pay attention and apply what you learn, it will greatly benefit your efforts.

It is all about work, effort, and caring about your neighbor as you do yourself. Your reward may be as subtle as restoring a smile to the faced of a troubled individual.

You must accept the concept that Truth and Justice will ultimately prevail. Then you make it your mission in life to do all you can so it actually happens. You are not defeated until you choose to quit.

You may feel exhaustion, frustration, ridicule, and even trauma along the way. There is nothing wrong with stepping back for a while to heal or rest. Then you rise up and resume the struggle.

Nomination to the 33rd Degree

Every two years, the Supreme Council informs each Scottish Rite Valley of the number of nominations for the 33rd Degree that Valley is allowed to make. The current IGHs and the Personal Representative hold a meeting to discuss possible nominees.

The last figure this author heard was that no more than two percent (2%) of a Valley's total membership may be 33rd Degree Masons. If your Valley has a lot of members, it may be allowed to nominate two or maybe three Scottish Rite Brothers for the 33rd Degree. On the other hand, if your members are few, your Valley may not have any openings in a nomination cycle.

It is easy to identify prospective nominees. They are the guys you always see at meetings, community service activities, conferring or communicating degrees, and other Scottish Rite functions. And they are active in their Blue Lodges, as well. For the 33rd Degree, candidates must have been 32nd Degree Knights Commander of the Court of Honor (KCCH) for at least 45 months.

At its biennial session (every two years) the Supreme Council elects members of the Rite, nominated by their respective Valleys, to receive the 33rd Degree. Each nominee must be unanimously approved by the members of the Supreme Council. Why require a unanimous vote? Because the 33rd Degree Brothers become honorary members of the Supreme Council, just like applicants for Masonry go on to become members of a Masonic Lodge.

What does a 33rd Degree Mason do?

As an Inspector General Honorary, you are entitled to sit in the Supreme Council in its biennial session. You can propose measures and statutes, move amendments and substitutes, and join in the discussion of questions arising upon propositions and amendments you have offered.

You may be assigned as a Deputy of the Supreme Council for a State or Territory, with all the powers of the Active members. This arrangement is necessary since there are only 33 Active members but there are more than 33 states and territories in the Southern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite.

33rd Degree Jewel

A description of the 33rd Degree jewel is found in the Grand Constitutions of 1786. You can find that description on the Supreme Council website. Here is a revision of the description expressed in the words of a 21st-century person:

At the bottom is a dark red Teutonic cross. The arms of the cross are formed by four tau (T-shaped) crosses. Atop the cross is a golden cross formed by two pillars. Each of the outside arms of the tau crosses is superimposed with five tiny equilateral crosses.

Atop the Teutonic cross assembly, from the lower right to the upper left rests a sword. From the lower left to upper right rests the Hand of Justice at the end of a long rod. On top of them is a nine-pointed star formed by three interlaced golden triangles. These collectively make up what are called the Grand Decorations of the Order.

Imposed at the center of the Grand Decorations is the Shield of the Order. It consists of an azure (sky blue) shield, with a double-headed eagle. At the eagle's right is a balance. At its left are the Masonic Square and Compasses.

Around the shield runs a band with the Latin inscription, *ORDO AB CHAO*, which means "Order from Chaos". The inscription is enclosed by two circles, formed by two serpents, each biting his own tail. Such a serpent is commonly known as the Ouroboros.

The golden interlaced triangles form nine small triangles around the band that surrounds the shield. Each contains one of the letters S, A, P, I, E, N, T, I, and A. They spell the word "Sapientia", Latin for "Wisdom".

The Grand Constitutions of 1786 were ostensibly ratified by Frederick II (Frederick the Great), King of Prussia. However, the earliest known copy dates to about 1802. It bears the handwriting of The Reverend Frederick Dalcho, who was made a Deputy Inspector General of the Order of the Royal Secret in 1801. The title "The Reverend" means Dalcho was a Christian minister by profession and is not related to the Scottish Rite.

33rd Degree Cap

The cap for an Inspector General Honorary is white with a white band edged in gold. It displays the symbol of 33rd Degree, a two-bar Latin cross with the upright bar slanted 20 degrees to the right. The transverse bars are horizontal. The lower bar is slightly longer than the upper.

Sovereign Grand Inspectors General, or "Active Thirty-thirds", wear purple caps. The two-bar cross is enhanced with crosslets (little crosses at the end of each arm). The band around the cap is a deeper shade of purple and embroidered with golden olive leaves.

33rd Degree Ring

The ring of the 33rd Degree is made of gold in a triple-ring design. On the outside is an equilateral triangular enclosing the numerals 33. On the inside, the ring is engraved with the motto "Deus Meunque Jus" together with your name and the date on which you received the Degree. A 33rd Degree brother may wear his ring on any finger of either hand.

Several vendors offer 33rd Degree rings. Not all of them follow the official design. With the price of gold skyrocketing over the last several decades, 33rd Degree rings are also available in silver, and more recently, in stainless steel with gold plating.

33rd Degree Motto

The motto of the 33rd Degree is the Latin phrase "Deus Meunque Jus" which in English means "God and my right." Some sources say it was the old war-cry of the Knights Templar. Other sources say the war-cry of the Knights Templar was "Beau-Séant!". That was also the name given to the black-over-white flag the Templars took into battle. Beau séant is French for "well seated".

The French translation of Deus Meunque Jus is "Dieu et mon Droit", which is the motto of the British Monarch (King or Queen, whichever is ruling) and appears on the Monarch's coat of arms.

33rd Degree Honorific

When somebody mentions the name of a 33rd Degree Scottish Rite Mason, they add the honorific or title of "Illustrious". For example, "The Illustrious Harry S Truman", who in fact was a 33rd Degree as well as Past Grand Master of Missouri.

The term "Illustrious" is also used in the Cryptic Council of the York Rite, whose presiding officer is the Illustrious Master. Merriam-Webster defines illustrious as "notably or brilliantly outstanding because of dignity or achievements or actions". That is a big responsibility to live up to.

33rd Degree Signature Block

All Scottish Rite Masons are entitled to use a special signature block. An Inspector General Honorary places a double cross before his name. After his name he adds a rayed triangle with its apex upward, enclosing the numerals "33". These are printed in crimson ink, as described in the Statutes of the Supreme Council.

For more information on Scottish Rite signature blocks, see pages 219 and 220 of Mark A. Tabbert's book, "Vested in Glory". The book is out-of-print but you can find a copy at a used book store, in-person or online. Or look in the San Jose Scottish Rite library.

33rd Degree, Grand Cross

Once you received your 33rd Degree, have you reached the ultimate? Not exactly. There is one more honor, the 33rd Degree, Grand Cross (abbreviated 33°, GC). The Grand Cross is reserved for those Scottish Rite Masons who have made not just outstanding but exceptional and substantial contributions to the Rite.

A Grand Cross recipient wears a white cap with a blue band edged in gold. It displays a replica of the Grand Cross jewel, which is a golden Teutonic cross. The arms of the cross are formed by four tau (T-shaped) crosses. Atop the cross is a golden cross formed by two pillars. Beneath the cross is a gold wreath.

Atop the Teutonic cross assembly is a blue circle surround-

ed by a gold border. Inside the circle are written the words GR CROSS and COURT OF HONOR. At the center is a white circle embroidered with a crimson rose and green leaves at its center.

According to the Supreme Council website, the Grand Cross is conferred on about a dozen 33rd Degree Masons every other year. Two 33°, GCs were in attendance at the 33rd Degree conferral at the Oakland Scottish Rite Center on September 11 of last year. That gives you an idea how rare they are.

Conclusion and Question

The large majority of Scottish Rite Masons will never receive the 33rd Degree. So why even have such a degree? Like the Knight Commander Court of Honor we discussed last month, the 33rd Degree is not about prestige or superiority. It comes as reward for outstanding service in the past. The reward itself is even more outstanding service in the future.

Why are some Brothers' outstanding services recognized and rewarded, while the outstanding services of others are not? That would be a fair question if you were thinking in human terms. Instead, think of it in Divine or eternal terms. Like the Law of Karma, the good (as well as evil) you have done follows you into your next existence, where and whatever it may be.



Master Craftsman Program

How many of you have worked on the various Master Craftsman programs? We call ourselves the “College of Freemasonry”. Shouldn’t that mean that we are actually striving to learn something?

The first two programs are now available in an online format, so no more mailing tests back and waiting for the next one.

We are once again talking about holding a group to work on them, so stay tuned for more information.

<https://scottishrite.org/scottish-rite-master-craftsman-program/>

Dress Code

Brethren,

Unfortunately it has become necessary to put this into writing.

Proper dress for Stated meetings is at a minimum coat and tie. This doesn’t mean jeans with a sports coat, or a polo shirt.

Unless we have a special event scheduled, the months of June, July, and Aug are Business Casual, which means a minimum of dockers/slacks and a polo shirt. NO JEANS, no matter how nice they are.

Yes we want you to come, yes we understand that many of you come directly from work. But, also yes you can throw appropriate clothes in a bag and bring it with you to change.

This is not new, if anything it is actually very relaxed from times past. It is about showing respect for the organization.

Please it is simple, just do it.

Hat Boxes

We have available hat boxes, where you can store your hat here and can simply pull it out to wear when you are here. They are lockable and you will get a key, then you don’t have to risk sitting it on the top of your car and driving over it when you forget about it :) as one of our 33rds did a couple of months ago.

Just see the secretary and he would be happy to help get one secured for you.

Wesley is a sweet and funny 5-year-old boy. He has a pet cat and one little brother. He enjoys playing and going to school. His favorite color is pink. Wesley is a lot of fun to work with and tries his best each week. Wesley's preschool teacher referred him to the Scottish Rite Clinic.



Prior to initiating speech therapy, Wesley's mom stated, "Most adults and other kids had difficulty understanding him and he would get upset or have a tantrum about it." Treatment has focused on activities that target Wesley's speech sounds to help make his speech easier to understand. Wesley enjoys games, hidden pictures and likes to have movement breaks to wiggle!

Often kids have errors in their speech sounds which follow certain patterns. During Wesley's treatment, we are targeting his specific error patterns and focusing on sounds such as /s/ blends, /l/ and /r/ and initial and final consonants in words.

Since initiating treatment Wesley's mom shared, "He has significantly improved. I find less people having difficulty understanding him, the teachers at his school have seen improvement. He still has some specific words that he struggles with but he understands better now that if he practices, he will get it. We have seen less frustration in him over his speech and we don't need him to repeat himself as much, as we understand him the first time."

During Wesley's time receiving therapy his mom stated, "I find he has improved his attitude about receiving speech classes now that he is actually seeing improvements. It makes him happy that he isn't afraid to speak and we aren't having the frustration as much anymore."

Wesley and his family have been a joy to work with and we look forward to continued progress thanks to the San Jose Scottish Rite.



July Stated Meeting

At the dinner in July our Clinicians will be there to give us a presentation on what they do to help the kids. We had to re-schedule the May Presentation do to illness.

Most of us know that we have the clinic, but have no understanding of what goes on. So please plan on joining us to hear directly from our clinicians and ask them any questions you might have.

Stated Meeting Menu

Tuesday

June 14th 2022

(Vegetarian Entrée by REQUEST ONLY call the office, by June 10th)

Call the Office at 408-978-7483 & make your reservations!

Greek Salad
Tomato Bisque
Shrimp Cocktail
Tri-Tip with Mashed Potatoes
Strawberries w/ Grand Mariner Whip Cream
Plated meal Cost is \$25 per Person

Annual Dinner Ticket Books

You can now buy an Annual Dinner Ticket Book, which gives you 11 Stated Meeting Dinners and 1 Grand Masters Banquet. For a cost of \$150. This saves you \$40 off of the annual price or over 21%. There is no time limit to use them,

RSVPs

We need for you to RSVP to our events. It is entirely impossible to know how much food to prepare and how many tables to set unless we know how many people are going to be in attendance.

It isn't hard, sign up on the sheet, call the office, email etc. Whatever is easiest for you to do, but do it.

We don't want to get to a point that we have to deny folks from joining us without reservations. But if we have to we will.

From the Secretary

We are down to only 34 members that have not paid their 2022 dues. If you are one of them, please take care of it now.

Also, in the next month or so, you can expect to see the 2023 billing come out. For those of you that are current, it will include your new dues card, if you don't get a dues card with it, and you are not a life member, then you still owe for this year.

Our June Stated Meeting is the Grand Master's reception and festive board. Make your reservation if you want to be there, if you don't have a reservation, you will not be seated, we can't plan this type of event on a guess of how many will be there.

We are looking for members to join our ritual teams. We have big and small parts and we also need some folks to learn some of the bigger parts as understudies. If you are interested, please let me know and I will put you in contact with the right person.

We also have need of a couple of members who are interested in learning to use our A/V set up, both sound and lighting, If you are interested in that, then please talk to Hon. Jeff Toone.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Guss Toone".

III. Hal Leister 33° Reunion Class

Fall Dates TBD



ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY,
SOUTHERN JURISDICTION, U. S. A.

Petition for Degrees

(Full) Name: _____
FIRST NAME MIDDLE NAME LAST NAME DATE

Street Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Work Phone: (____) _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____

Month, Day, and Year of Birth: _____

City, State, Country of Birth: _____

Are you a US Citizen? YES NO If "No", where are you a citizen? _____

E-Mail Address: _____ Wife/Partner's Name: _____

Years as M.M.: ____ Blue Lodge Name _____ No. _____

Lodge City and State: _____

Date and Place Raised: _____

Occupation: _____ Employer Name: _____

Have you ever previously petitioned for any Scottish Rite Degrees? YES NO

Hat Size: ____ (example: "7 1/8")

"I, the above named and below signed, confirm a belief in a Supreme Being, the inculcation of patriotism, respect for law and order, and an undying loyalty to the principles of civil and religious liberty, and the forbearance of a state sponsored religion, principles embodied by the Founding Fathers of the United States of America. I respectfully petition to receive the 4th through 32nd Degrees of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite. I am currently a Master Mason in good standing."

_____		Spring	Fall
<i>Candidate's Signature</i>	Degree Fee	\$200	\$200
_____	Annual Dues	\$90	\$0 (For Current Year)
1st Sponsor PRINTED NAME	Total Due:	\$290	\$200

<i>1st Sponsor Signature</i>			

2nd Sponsor PRINTED NAME			

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Future Scottish Rite and Masonic Events

Tuesday June 14th ~ Scottish Rite Stated Meeting 6:00 pm

Grand Master's Reception and Festive Board

Lodge of Perfection Opens

Tuxedo no Colors

Tuesday June 21st ~ Night of Instruction /Festive Board 6:30 pm

White Tie Preferred

Tuesday July 12th ~ Scottish Rite Stated Meeting 6:00 pm

Annual BBQ Meal

Chapter Rose Croix Opens

Business Casual

Sunday July 12th ~ Social BBQ 12:00 pm

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Tuesday August 9th ~ Scottish Rite Stated Meeting 6:00 pm

Council Opens

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