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Youth Appreciation Night



At the regular meeting of the Valley of Tampa Consistory in September, Ill. Russell B. Glendinning 33° Personal Representative of the SGIG welcomed members of the Masonic Youth Groups. Representatives of the DeMolay Chapters, Job's Daughters and Rainbow Assemblies made presentations about their respective goals and accomplishments this year.. Following their remarks, Ill Edward L. Jordan 33°, Master of Kadosh presented each of the organizations with a substantial “donation” from the Valley of Tampa.

Representatives from Paul Revere and St. Petersburg DeMolay Chapters; the Bethel No. 9 and Bethel No. 13 Job's Daughters; and St. Petersburg No 5, Bradenton No. 20, Brandon No. 23, Winter Haven No. 35, Largo No. 86, Temple Terrace No. 129 and Haines City No. 146 Rainbow Assemblies; were present for dinner and the ceremonies.

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FROM THE
GENERAL SECRETARY



Paul N. Bardua, 32° KCCH

Welcome, all newly Consecrated Masters of the Royal Secret. You have entered the College of Freemasonry and have begun a life long study of the Scottish Rite's gift to its distinguished members, the esteemed Higher Degrees of Masonry.

By challenging yourself to the great resources of ancient wisdoms, timeless religious and philosophic traditions, and the intellectual writings now available to you through such sources as the Scottish Rite Research Society and the Grand College of Rites, you have an infinite access to the deeper mysteries, revelations, and insights of profound Masonic thought.

Read the books and information given to you and for a more complete collection visit the online book selection at the gift shop on the Supreme Council's Website.

Your deepening interests in the value of the Scottish Rite Degrees will be rewarded through personal study and sincere effort. Given the necessary inquiry, you will discover the priceless treasures that occupy the minds of Masonic scholars and Scottish Rite historians, and archivists.

Unlike the witty quote by Albert Einstein, "If we knew what we were doing, it wouldn't be called Research",

ALLEGIANCE:

The Bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, sitting in the Valley of Tampa, Orient of Florida acknowledge and yield allegiance to the SUPREME COUNCIL (Mother Council of the World) of Inspectors General, Knights of Solomon of the Thirty-third and last degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the jurisdiction of the United States of America, whose seat is at the Grand Orient of Charleston, in the State of South Carolina, now sitting at Washington, D.C. of which,

Ill. Ronald A. Seale, 33° is Sovereign Grand Commander

Ill. John E. Moyers, 33°

is Grand Secretary General

Ill. Robert L. Goldsmith, 33°

is Grand Prior of the Supreme

Council and Sovereign Grand

Inspector General in the Orient of Florida and

Ill. Russell B. Glendinning, 33°

is Personal Representative of the Sovereign Grand Inspector General in the Valley of Tampa



you will learn that the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry is the greatest source for your desired Masonic education. The first purpose of the Scottish Rite is to educate, to teach. And this is the answer to the question asked by the public, "What do you do?" Principally, we are a school and the first thing that we do is to teach our members to apply themselves to learn the true value of their membership and understand the meaning of the lessons that they have received.

Congratulations Brothers, as you advance further in your personal quest to educate yourself about the incredible value of your cherished membership in the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry as Thirty-Second Degree Masons and knowing what that means to you.



PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Ill. Russell B.
Glendinning, 33°

The end of another year is not far away. As we come to the end of 2007, let us look back and see what we have accomplished. Your Valley has completed another successful and busy year. We have not met all of our goals, but you have been working hard to see that the Valley continues to shine in our communities.

By the time you receive this issue of the *Scottish Rite Bulletin*, we will have completed the Ill. Jack Townsend, 33° Fall Reunion. At the time of this writing, this Reunion will see 38 new Masters of the Royal Secret, bringing our total new members for the year at 59. Several brethren have worked very hard to obtain these 38 petitions and I want to thank them for their continued efforts on behalf of the Valley of Tampa and Scottish Rite Freemasonry.

Now is the time to start working on our Spring 2008 Reunion. Remember, that in 2008, any brother who is the First Line signer on 5 petitions for the Degrees will have their 2009 dues remitted by the Valley. Let's not wait until the last minute to get those petitions in. Talk with your Blue Lodge brethren and encourage them to continue their knowledge by applying for admission to the College of Freemasonry.

In just a couple of months, the 4 bodies will have new leadership. Brethren, I encourage you to let the officers know of the type of activities that you would like to see being sponsored by the Tampa Valley. Just because we have never held a certain event, doesn't mean that we can't at least look into it. Our membership is changing and we need to change with it.

The 33rd Degree Coronation is just around the corner (November 17, 2007). There are some seats still available for the banquet that evening with our Sovereign Grand Commander, Ill. Ronald A. Seale, as the featured speaker. This banquet is open to all Scottish Rite brethren and their families. Please



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Scottish Rite Masonic Center Monthly Dinner Menus

November 12, 2007

Green Salad

Turkey, mash potatoes, stuffing, green beans casse-
role, and Cranberries sauce

Cake

December 10, 2007

Green Salad

Baked Ham with Pineapples and cherries, mash po-
tatoes with gravy and corn

Cake

NOTIFY THE SCOTTISH RITE...

the Shrine... the Blue Lodge... tell your loved ones; your wife, daughter, son or any close relative of your affiliation within the Masonic Fraternity.

Yes my Brother, in the event of your death, tell them to notify the Secretary of the above and any other Masonic Body in which you hold membership.

There are a number of cases each year where we are not notified of the death of a Brother, and we send an embarrassing dues notice to his loved ones.

*OF ALL THE THINGS WHICH WISDOM PROVIDES TO MAKE
LIFE ENTIRELY HAPPY, MUCH THE GREATEST IS THE POSSES-
SION OF FRIENDSHIP.*

Epicurius



contact the Tampa Office for reservations.

In closing, brethren, I would like to wish for all of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy Hanukkah season. I hope that you will be able to spend some time with family and friends and to celebrate what this time of the year means for you.



“THE LIGHT- HOUSE”

Ill. M. Dean Lovett 33°
PRELATE

“THE LIGHTHOUSE”

The lighthouse in our nation is a great symbol of our history. It has been a life saver for many lost ships and their crews in times of dangerous storms. The bright light searched and moved its beams of light into the water. Then it focused upon its target and brought the ship to safety.

Still today in our modern day the lighthouse still stands upon a rock with the light piercing into the dark night looking for a lost ship.

Many people in our country and world look upon the Lighthouse also as a symbol of their houses of worship – Churches, Temples or Mosque. To them the lighthouse draws them to spiritual enlightenment ... and comfort in time of trouble.

There is an old gospel song, it describes the Spiritual Lighthouse.

*“If it wasn't for the Lighthouse, where would my
ship (soul) be?”*

Then the word of God speaks to us; we quote...

*“Let your Light shine before men that they may see your good
works and glorify your Father in Heaven”.*

Let us all strive to become a Lighthouse...
and let our Light shine to all people.

Prelate
Illustrious M. Dean Lovett 33°

Remember the musical "Music Man"?

He was an instrument salesman in a town with no musicians. In order to be successful (sell instruments) he had to first create excitement about something people would be involved in. So he started excitement about being in a band to people who didn't play instruments. Sounds nuts but that is what is needed. Change the approach if it isn't working and sell the idea another way.

VALLEY OF TAMPA HISTORICAL EVENTS

BY

ILL. C. DONALD PROSSER, 33°

In the year 1918 America entered World War I and due to the number of candidates joining the Armed Forces to serve, the S.G.I.G. Ill. Olin S. Wright 33° allowed all Valleys in Florida to communicate all degrees for those Masonic Brothers. The Valley of Tampa thus received 125 new Masters of the Royal Secret in 1918. The Valley of Tampa approved purchase of its first permanent location at the corner of Lafayette and Marion Streets for the price of \$16,500.00.

The year 1919 saw many changes in the Valley of Tampa. On April 7, 1919 organization of the Scottish Rite Guard was approved. One June 2, 1919 a motion was made and approved to have the elections for all bodies held only once a year. The KCCH investiture was held in Tampa for the first time with Ill. Olin S. Wright 33° SGIG presiding.

A special Convocation was held on September 8, 1919 to communicate the Degrees of all four Scottish Rite Bodies on 49 Brethren, who had previously been unable to complete their degrees. The Class was named in honor of our deceased Tyler Ill. Brother A. W. Windhorst 33°, past Tyler of Hillsborough Lodge, and who A. W. Windhorst Lodge No. 185 F.& A. M. is named in honor of.

Among the purchases approved during the year was \$99.50 for the purchase of Tampa's famous cigars to be placed in the Library and Smoking Room for the members pleasure.

The Valley ended the year with the addition of 117 new Masters of the Royal Secret.

***“The ultimate measure of a man is not
where he stands in moments of comfort, but
where he stands at times of challenge and
controversy.”***

Martin Luther King, Jr.



**GIL WEISMAN 32°, P.D.D.G.M DISTRICT 22
VENERABLE MASTER, KNIGHTS OF ST. ANDREW**

Brother Knights:

Since Monday, November 12, 2007 (Elections) will be my last official meeting as Venerable Master KSA, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who supported our efforts in 2007 - to grow and be a viable part of our beloved Valley of Tampa Scottish Rite.

In the past few months we have been fortunate to be able to add a few more Masters of the Royal Secret to our ever-increasing rolls, Brothers looking for further Light. As you may know, we meet every other month, one hour before the start of the regular stated Scottish Rite meeting, and there are no dues or fees of any kind.

If you are a 32nd Degree Mason and would like to join us, or be considered for a chair for the ensuing year, please come to our November 12 meeting, 6:30 PM. Also, next Spring the KSA will be exemplifying the 29th Degree, and we could sure use a few Brothers for both speaking and non-speaking parts.

The Feast of St. Andrew Dinner will be held on Saturday, December 1st, at Sam Seltzer's Steakhouse (wives included), 4744 N. Dale Mabry Hwy. (across from Tampa Stadium). We will gather at 6:30 PM. If you would like to join us, or have any questions, please let me know via email or phone (813-926-8499 or 813-401-0678) so that we may get a headcount for reservations.

The Knights of St. Andrew has been honored by having been asked to handle registration for the 33rd Degree Investiture at the Scottish Rite on Saturday, November 17, 2007. We will have Brothers stationed at the Doubletree Hotel, 4500 W. Cypress St., Friday, November 16 (2-5 PM & 6-9:30 PM), at the Scottish Rite on Saturday, November 17 (10 AM- 1:15 PM) and back at the Doubletree Hotel 4-6 PM.

Most of our volunteers have already come forward, but we still need 2-3 Brothers for the 4-6 PM shift at the Doubletree Hotel on November 17. Can we count you among the fine Knights willing to devote just a few hours to Scottish Rite?

Getting back to election of Officers on November 12th - So that you know who served you in 2007, and who may serve you in 2008, here is the list of current officers and their station:

Venerable Master - Gil Weisman
Senior Warden - Stan Rakita
Junior Warden - Rich Leger
Sec'ty, Treas. - Coleman Hill
Senior Deacon - John Wehrmann
Junior Deacon - James Robertson
Chaplain - Don Jordan
Marshal - Ken Scott
Sentinel - James Bustin

My Brothers, we need your participation to grow and succeed in all that we do. Please consider being part of the Knights of St. Andrew's success - remember,

*"The Destiny of Freemasonry is in
the Hearts of Masons."*



FROM THE GENERAL SECRETARY

We extend a hearty welcome and a warm hand of fellowship to those Master of the Royal Secret who has joined us by Affiliation and Reinstatement since publication of our last bulletin. Scottish Rite Freemasonry welcomes all its members and visitors within its portal - visit us as often as time permits, we guarantee good fellowship, new friends and an opportunity to work with us for the benefit of Freemasonry and Scottish Rite in particular.

AFFILIATION

Ronald L. Enger, 32°

Herbert J Mueller, 32°

REINSTATEMENT

Francis H. Gaylor, 32°

VALLEY OF TAMPA HOSTS THE ORIENT OF FLORIDA'S VERY FIRST ALL FLORIDA TABLEAU THIRTY-THIRD MASONIC DEGREE CORONATION

GREETINGS

By the authority of Illustrious Robert L. Goldsmith, 33°, Sovereign Grand Inspector General of Florida of the Supreme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of the Southern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America, The Supreme Council will be opened at 1:15 p.m., Saturday, November 17, 2007 for the Coronation Ceremony of the Thirty-third Degree, upon those designates from the Orient of Florida, who were elected by The Supreme Council in biennial session June 7, 2007 in Washington, D.C.

Thirty- third Degree Masons are invited and urged to attend the Coronation Ceremony

CORONATION PROGRAM FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2007

REGISTRATION

3:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. – DoubleTree Hotel Lobby –
Pick up registration packets for all registrants.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2007

10:00 a.m. Busses leave for Tampa Masonic Center. Registration continues at Tampa Masonic Center
11:30 a.m. Lunch provided by Valley of Tampa at Tampa Masonic Center
12:45 p.m. 33rd Degree Designates assemble in Lodge Room under Direction of Ill. James Kirby, 33° & Ill. Rusty Glendinning, 33°
1:15 p.m. Opening of Supreme Council
1:45 p.m. Conferral of 33rd Degree
3:45 p.m. Presentation of 33rd Degree Caps by Valley Group Photograph
Individual Valley Photograph
4:15 p.m. Busses leave for DoubleTree Hotel
7:00 p.m. **Formal** Banquet – Ballroom of DoubleTree Hotel

BANQUET PROGRAM SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2007

Master of Ceremonies – Ill. Russell B. Glendinning, 33°,
Personal Representative, Valley of Tampa
Invocation – Ill. M. Dean Lovett, 33°, Prelate – Valley of Tampa
Pledge of Allegiance –
Dinner
Introduction of Head Table
Candidate's Comments – Ill. Charles Cumpstone, 33°
Comments of Sovereign Grand Inspector General – Ill. Robert L. Goldsmith, 33°
Speaker – Ill. Ronald A. Seale, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, United States of America, Southern Masonic Jurisdiction
Benediction – Ill. M. Dean Lovett, 33°

DESIGNATES THIRTY-THIRD DEGREE INSPECTORS GENERAL HONORARY

Valley of Fort Myers

Harry Bartley Evers
Bryant Gideon Parsons, Jr.
Douglas Leslie Rankin

Valley of Jacksonville

Richard Ivy Lanier
Hugh Fenton Moore
Jack Maurice Newport
Robert Adair Niles
Robert Fitzsimmons Scott
John Robert Stokes
Kermit Kramer Walker
David Allen Yarborough

Valley of Key West

Joseph James Vetrick

Valley of Lake Worth

Ronald Wendell Bartholf, Jr.
Roy Cesar Hernandez, III
James Lawrence Keller, Jr.
Thomas Rolon Pledger
Robert Goodhue Stearns

Valley of Miami

Richard Edward Friberg
Stanley Thomas Mykytka
Robert Dudley Rose
John Raymond Williams, Jr.

Valley of Ocala

Edward Larue Brickle
Mark LeBaron Grant, Jr.
Daniel Louis Racz

Valley of Orlando

Raymond Lee Bray
John Noble Dickinson
Albert Isaacs
Chester Arthur King
Carl Ray
George Linz Salis

Valley of Panama City

Alfred Daniel Thomas
Marion Lindburg Whitehurst

Valley of Pensacola

Jon Allan Davies
Meek Calhoun Kiker, Jr.
James Earl Martin
Robert Duane McGuire

Valley of Tallahassee

James Edward Fell
Claude William Tooke

Valley of Tampa

Richard Scott Agster
Paul Nicholas Bardua
Edmond Louis Bidoul, Jr.
Charles Gordon Cumpstone, Jr.
Walter W. Fishback
Harry Bennett Forehand, Jr.
Barry Dwight Hart
Lewis Karl Molnar
Stephen Dale Piner
David Lee Preshur

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

On behalf of the Coronation Committee, I would like to take this opportunity to thank some of the brethren who have played a vital part in making this weekend a success. Plans for the Coronation started in January of this year with Ill. James Kirby, 33° and Ill. Charles Mead, 33° meeting with the Tableau. A lot of work has been accomplished in a short period of time.

A special Thanks are in order for Trish Warhul, Administrative Assistant in the Valley of Tampa and Brother Paul Bardua (33° Elect), General Secretary in the Valley of Tampa. Through their work and efforts, the paperwork for this event went very smoothly. Also, Ill. Vernon Clark, 33° for his work on the Men's Lunch and the Knights of St. Andrew and the KCCH Organization for this help this weekend.

Russell B. Glendinning, 33°
Personal Representative, Valley of Tampa

Veterans Day Proclamation

Veterans Day 2007 Proclamation

WHEREAS: the 11th day of November 1918, marked the cessation of the most destructive sanguinary, and far reaching war in human annals and the resumption by the people of the United States of peaceful relations with other nations ; and

WHEREAS: the Congress passed a concurrent resolution on June 4, 1926 (44 Stat.1982), Calling for the observance of November 11th with appropriate ceremonies and later provided in an act approved May 13, 1938 (52 Stat.351), that the eleventh of November should be a legal holiday and should be known as Armistice Day; and

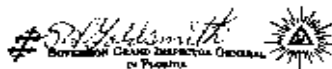
WHEREAS: in order to expand the significance of all commemoration and in order that a grateful Nation might pay appropriate homage to the veterans of all its wars who have contributed so much to the preservation of this Nation, the Congress by an act approved June 1, 1954 (69 Stat 168), changed the name of this holiday to Veterans Day.

WHEREAS: the numbers of Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A. Orient of Florida, must never forget the veterans who set an example of courage and devotion to a country that has inspired generations of Americans to serve in the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

NOW, THEREFORE, I do proclaim that all Scottish Rite Valleys in the Orient of Florida acknowledge the courage and sacrifice of our veterans through appropriate ceremonies and private prayers.

Be it further proclaimed that we encourage and invite all citizens to join in observance of VETERANS DAY on November 11, 2007.

Dated at Jacksonville Florida this 11 day of September, 2007.



Signature of the Grand Inspector General of Florida, Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.

TOMB OF THE UNKNOWNNS

Official, national ceremonies for Veterans Day center around the *Tomb of the Unknownns*. To honor these men, symbolic of all Americans who gave their lives in all wars, an Army honor guard, the 3d U.S. Infantry (The Old Guard), keeps day and night vigil.

At 11 a.m. on November 11, a combined color guard representing all military services executes "Present Arms" at the tomb. The nation's tribute to its war dead is symbolized by the laying of a presidential wreath and the playing of "Taps".

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GOD BLESS AMERICA

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HAVE A BLESSED THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY SEASON

IN MEMORIAM

“Sunset and evening star, and one clear call for me, and may there be no moaning of the bar, when I put out to sea, but such a tide as moving seems asleep, too full for sound and foam, when that which drew from out the boundless deep turns again home. Twilight and evening bell, and after that the dark! and may there be no sadness of farewell, when I embark; for tho’ from out our bourne of Time and Place the flood may bear me far, hope to see my Pilot face to face when I have crossed the bar.



Floyd K. Alderman, 32°
August 19, 2007

Joseph C. Day, 32°
July 17, 2007

Allen R. Jantzen, 32°
October 19, 2006

Edwin J. Paquette, 32°
September 20, 2007

Ernest G. Anderson, 32°
August 17, 2007

William Dombey, 32°
August 28, 2007

Jack H. Jeffers, 32°
September 16, 2007

Milan F. Peterman, 32°
May 26, 2007

L. Greer Bishop, 32°
May 26, 2007

Clarence H. Downs, 32°
August 15, 2006

Charles W. Kearney, Sr., 32°
August 11, 2007

Frank R. Bochat, 32°
May 8, 2006

James G. Georg, 32°
September 6, 2007

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May 20, 2007

Arthur F. Crenshaw, 32°
January 25, 2007

Donald L. Hissong, 32°
September 29, 2007

Donald L. Meek, 32°
June 15, 2006