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Valley of Tampa Orient of Florida



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Ill. John E Drewett, 33°

**Scottish Rite Fundraiser**  
**Adopt A Precinct**

How Does Adopt A Precinct Work?

The Scottish Rite provides individuals (there is no minimum or maximum number) from its membership to be poll workers on Election Day.

tion Day.

They train you and assign you to the Scottish Rite Masonic Center or a specific polling place. It's as simple as that!

**What Are The Benefits To Scottish Rite?**

This alliance is not only highly beneficial to the Supervisor of Elections Office, but to the Scottish Rite as well.

As organizations seek to fulfill their mission, adequate funding is more often than not a major obstacle. The Scottish Rite can secure much-needed funds by identifying individuals willing to serve as poll workers and who are willing to have their earnings go directly to the Scottish Rite.

**What Are The Qualifications To Be A Poll Worker?**

The Supervisor of Elections is committed to employing highly skilled, competent, and above all, customer service oriented individuals to fulfill its mission of conducting efficient, fair and secure elections for the voters of Hillsborough County.

All Poll workers must:

- Be a registered voter in Hillsborough County
- Read and write the English language
- Have access to e-mail and on-line training
- Be able to work a 14 hour day
- Be able to lift 15 to 30 pounds

**What Are The Training Requirements To Be A Poll Worker?**

All Poll Workers are required to attend training prior to the election. According to state statute, an individual cannot work an election unless they have been trained.

The Supervisor of Elections Office will provide training at the Scottish Rite Masonic Center or at locations throughout the county, prior to each election cycle. Training lasts from two to four hours, depending on the position being trained. Training is offered at various times and days of the week in order to accommodate poll workers' schedules.

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Personal Representative  
Ill. Russell B Glendinning, 33°



Notice of  
Dues Increase For 2014

At the April 2013 Executive Committee Meeting the Executive Committee voted to approve an increase to the annual dues starting in 2014.

The dues will increase from \$65.00 per member to \$90.00 per member. The breakdown is \$65.00 plus \$25.00 per capita for a total of \$90.00 per member.



Allegiance to the Supreme Council

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 House of the Temple of Solomon of the Thirty-third and last degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America, whose See is at the Grand Orient of Charleston, in the State of South Carolina, now sitting at Washington, D.C., of which

Brethren:

Summertime is here and that means one thing (two things if you include hurricanes but I digress). Summer means baseball and in the Valley of Tampa, that equates to Rays baseball.

Again this year, the Valley will be having a Night with the Rays as they take on the New York Yankees at Tropicana Field in St. Petersburg. This promises to be a well attended game and your Scottish Rite has secured a block of tickets. The price is \$28 per seat with the first pitch at 7:10 p.m. on Saturday, August 24, 2013. This is open to all Scottish Rite Masons, our Blue Lodge brothers, family and friends.

Did you know there are 4 rules in baseball. The first rule is no crying. If you want to know the other 3 rules, you need to be at the Trop. on August 24<sup>th</sup>.

Reservations must be made no later than Monday, July 8<sup>th</sup> by sending your check to Ken Warner, 32° KCCH or to the Valley Office. Checks should be made payable to Ken Warner who will be picking up the tickets at the Rays ticket office. For further information on this, please contact Brother Warner at 727-742-2678 or via email at [kwarnar@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:kwarnar@tampabay.rr.com).

In this issue of The Bulletin, we are pleased to recognize those Scottish Rite brothers who are currently serving the Grand Lodge of Florida in elected or appointed offices and committees. The Scottish Rite in general and the Valley of Tampa in particular has always been a big supporter of Craft Masonry and the

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

Ill. William B. Brunk, 33°  
is the Grand Secretary General and Sovereign  
Grand Inspector General in the Orient of  
North Carolina,  
and

Ill. Dale I Goehrig, 33°  
is the Grand Prior and Sovereign Grand  
Inspector General in the Orient of Florida,  
and

Ill. Russell B. Glendinning, 33°  
is the Personal Representative of the  
Sovereign Grand Inspector General in  
the Valley of Tampa.



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Support Your Blue Lodge

## Regular Monthly Meeting Dinner Menus

July 8, 2013

Turkey, Mashed Potatoes  
Green Bean Casserole, Cranberry Sauce  
Pumpkin Pie

August, 12, 2013

Green Salad, Baked Ham  
Mash Potatoes & Vegetables  
Apple Pie

September 9, 2013

Spaghetti & Meatballs, Garlic Bread, House Salad,  
Cake & Ice Cream

Please note that reservations are required to properly plan the requisite quantity of food.

To make reservations, please call the Tampa Scottish Rite Office at 813.886.0578 by the Friday preceding the regular monthly meeting. You may also log onto the Tampa Scottish Rite website ([srtampa.org](http://srtampa.org)) and click on "Make your dinner reservations" at the bottom of the Home Page.



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The Supervisor of Elections Office will work with the Scottish Rite to schedule training for each poll worker recruited.

### How Much Can Scottish Rite Earn?

Poll workers earn from \$140.00 - \$220.00, depending on the position. For example, 10 poll workers can earn the Scottish Rite a minimum of \$1400.00 for working just one election?

For more information or you want to sign up, please contact the General Secretary by e-mail ([generalsecretary@srtampa.org](mailto:generalsecretary@srtampa.org)) or by phone (813-886-0578).



## Tampa Scottish Rite History

Ill. C Donald Prosser, 33°

The year 1922 was a turning point in the life of the Valley of Tampa. We previously had been holding our meetings at the Peninsular Telephone Building. On April 25, 1921 a procession of the Brethren to our new home located at the corner of Lafayette St. and Marion was held. However the formal dedication of our NEW TEMPLE was held on May 8, 1922 under the direction of Ill. A. B. Steuart 33°, Master of Kadosh. Reverend Brother M.: W.: B.Y. Wilkie, PGM, gave the invocation. Ill.: Olin S. Wright 33°, SGIG, made the acceptance speech and accepted the keys to our New Temple. Following the dedication 131 Blue Lodge Brothers were conferred the 4° - 14°. Also receiving the 4° -14° were 6 Brothers from the Acme Lodge of Perfection in Plant City, 3 Brothers from Ocala and 1 Brother from Norfolk, Va. The Convocation continued on May 10, 11, and 12th with 142 new Masters of the Royal Secret consecrated.

Paul Revere Chapter of DeMolay, was given permission to hold their meetings in the Temple. A motion was made and passed to continue the practice of purchasing 1,500 cigars. With the expanded facilities the Valley now had a conference and smoking room for the Brethren's enjoyment and fellowship. On July 3, 1922 the Valley of Tampa authorized publishing the first monthly publication to all members. Ill.: Olin S. Wright 33°, SGIG, ordered that a By-Laws change be in concurrence with the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, that all Master Mason candidates must have been either raised at least 6 months or proficient in the Blue Lodge Catechisms of all 3 degrees. A Motion was then moved, seconded and passed.



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Grand Lodge of Florida and the list on page 6 is certainly indicative of that support. We wish these brothers well as they carry out the work of the Grand Lodge this year and we are always there to support them in their endeavors.

With summer time here, many of you will be travelling visiting family and friends. You can keep in touch with us through our web site ([www.srtampa.org](http://www.srtampa.org)) or check us out on Face Book at Tampa Scottish Rite.



Lake Region Scottish Rite Club  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, 6:30 PM  
 (dark June, July and August)  
 Lakeland Lodge No. 91  
 505 N Mass Avenue, Lakeland, FL

North Pinellas Scottish Rite Club  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 11:30 AM  
 Reservations preferred, phone 727.460.1824  
 Kally-K's Steakery Fishery  
 1600 Main Street, Dunedin, FL

Pinellas Scottish Rite Club  
 1<sup>st</sup> Friday, 11:00 AM  
 Perkins Family Restaurant  
 8841 Park Blvd. N., Largo, FL  
 Information and Reservations 727-577-5923

Sarasota Scottish Rite Club  
 1<sup>st</sup> Friday, 11:45 AM in odd numbered months  
 (dark July)  
 SAHIB Shrine  
 600 N. Beneva Road, Sarasota, FL  
 or  
 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday, 6:00 PM in even numbered months  
 (dark December)  
 Scottish Rite Club Building  
 240 S. Tuttle Avenue, Sarasota, FL

Sun City Center Scottish Rite Club  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday, 11:30 AM  
 (dark June, July, August & September)  
 Freedom Plaza Club  
 Sun City Center, FL

*Support your Scottish Rite Club!*



### Membership Committee

Petitions for New Members, Reinstatements, Dual Membership, etc., in the Valley of Tampa Scottish Rite is on the Valley of Tampa website (<http://srtampa.org>). navigate down the left column to "Become A Member" and click and follow the menu to the type of petition you need.

As an aside, we invite you to visit our website often.



### Prelate

Ill. Louis H Ortt, 33°



Many times it is the simple things we tend to overlook in which we may find greater truth, a healing experience, or something quite enchanting. Such was the case of Naaman presented in 2 Kings 5:1-14. Naaman, a commander of the army of the King of Syria, was a mighty man of valor, but was also a leper. On one of the raids a prisoner told him of a man in Israel who could cure him. His master sent him to Israel, where Elisha sent a messenger to him telling him to bathe seven times in the Jordan and he would be cured. Naaman may have felt this was too easy, too simple to cure his leprosy or that he was too great for such a simple healing and began to leave. His servants came to him and talked him into reconsidering. He then did what he had been instructed to do and his skin was restored like the flesh of a little child.

This is a lesson for all of us when we turn our backs on simplicity and miss God's grace. Let us maintain our Attentive Ear and look for the messages coming to us.

Let us not always look for the glitzy events, when a simple word of mouth, a pat on the back, or a smile is all that need to change the course of events. Let's not be like Naaman and shut out our Attentive Ear.



### Affiliations & Reinstatements

Welcome to those Master of the Royal Secret who has joined us by Affiliation and Reinstatement since publication of our last bulletin. Visit us as often as time permits. We offer good fellowship, new friends and an opportunity to work with us for the benefit of Freemasonry and Scottish Rite in particular.

Affiliation  
 Johnny C. Sandot, 32°

Reinstatement  
 Davelis C. Goutoufas, 32°



## Grand Lodge Appointments

The Valley of Tampa is proud of the following Brothers who have been elected or appointed to serve the Grand Lodge of Florida this year.

### Grand Lodge Officers

James W. Ford, 32° KCCH..... Deputy Grand Master  
 H. Michael McCool, 32° ..... Junior Grand Deacon  
 Joseph L. Meketsy, 32° ..... Senior Grand Steward  
 Gerald E. Goacher, 32° KCCH ..... Grand Tyler  
 David R. Meade, 32° KCCH..... Grand Musician

### District Deputies and Instructors

William B. Garrett, Jr., 32° ..... DDGM, 21<sup>st</sup> District  
 Robert J. Lambert, 32° ..... DDGM, 22<sup>nd</sup> District  
 William J. Doolin, 32° ..... DDGM, 24<sup>th</sup> District  
 Norman F. Cyphers, 32° ..... DDGM, 27<sup>th</sup> District  
 Richard T. Sikes, 32° ..... DI 20<sup>th</sup> District  
 Richard G. Hoover, 32° KCCH ..... DI 21<sup>st</sup> District  
 Norman F. Newcomb, 32° ..... DI 22<sup>nd</sup> District  
 Gregory L. Wynn, 32° ..... DI 23<sup>rd</sup> District  
 A. Gary Cavanaugh, 32° ..... DI 25<sup>th</sup> District

### Committeemen

#### *Endowment & Investment Committee*

David W. Jones, 32°  
 John W. Westerman, III 32°

#### *Masonic Home Board of Trustee*

Charles R. Jordan, 32°

#### *General Services Panel*

Thomas R. Quay, 32°  
 Robert G. Alderson, 32°

#### *Masonic Home Attorney*

Bruce Marger, 33°

#### *Let Your Pennies Make Good Cents*

Richard C. Hollie, Sr., 32° KCCH  
 Frank S. Albinson, 32°

#### *Wills and Gifts*

John W. Westerman, III 32°

#### *Grand Lodge Properties*

Reed G. Rue, 32

#### *Panel of Attorneys*

Bruce Marger, 33°  
 Jon B. Coats, Jr., 32°

### *Masonic Jurisprudence*

J. David Neveitt, 32°  
 Houston D. White, 32°  
 Richard G. Hoover, 32° KCCH

### *Foreign Relations*

J. Dick Martinez, 32° - Chairman  
 Joseph A. Gonzalez, 32°

### *Perpetual Membership*

David Lopez, 32° KCCH  
 Eric B. West, 32°

### *Membership Development*

Christopher H. Schlenker, 32°  
 W. Allen Sorbie, 32°

### *Committee On Work*

Fern E. Street, 32°  
 Casey A. Fletcher, 32°

### *Grand Master's Coordinating*

Kenneth D. Balsley, 33°

### *Masonic Leadership Training*

Joseph A. Gonzalez, 32°

### *Penal Affairs*

Raul Reyes, 33°

### *Public Education & Citizenship*

Matthew B. Winters, 32°  
 Lewis C. Sasser, Jr., 32°

### *Public Relations & Publicity*

Howard W. Knapp, 32°

### *Youth Activities*

L. Edward Villiaume, III, 32°

### *Grand Lodge Flagship Charity*

Thomas M. Edwards, II, 32°  
 John A. Baldwin, 32°  
 Henry J. Lamb, 32°

### *Child ID*

David J. Rasmus, 32°  
 James E. Rachel, 32°

### *Fraternal Administrative Endowment Fund*

David A. Henderson, 32°



**Director of Work**  
Ill. C. Donald Prosser, 33°

Summer has arrived and that is vacation time for many of our members. But it is not vacation time for recruiting new members for our Fall Reunion. It is a good time to return to regular attendance at your Blue Lodge and assist them in the Three Symbolic Degrees, work in the kitchen, and any and all assistance you can. While you are enjoying the fellowship with your Brethren, insure that your Lodge has appropriate displayed petitions, and the pamphlet "There Is More To Freemasonry Than Three Degrees". If any of our New Masters of the Royal Secret requested information or petition to join the Lighting and Sound Committee, Scottish Rite Guard, Music, or any committee and have not heard from that committee, please inform our General Secretary Ill. John Drewett and he will inform me and we will get you involved. I welcome all new Brothers and look forward to working with you.



**From A New Master of the Royal Secret**  
**279th Reunion, April 20 & 27, 2013**  
Submitted By Robert S. Schointuch,  
Past Master High Twelve Lodge No. 317

Brothers,

I recently found more light in Masonry by becoming a 32 degree Mason. I went through the "two day class" which included 29 degrees of Masonry. It was by far, one of the most interesting and enlightening masonic experiences I ever had. The degree work was fantastic, the Brothers who worked with all of us (25 in all), couldn't be more accommodating, and the interaction with Brother Masons throughout Florida was amazing. I found it extremely interesting to share in this enlightening information...there was also a plethora of additional reading material given to us to expand even further, our knowledge of masonry. I really look forward to attending the monthly meetings.

Interestingly, they constantly stressed that this is clearly an adjunct to the Blue Lodge NOT a replacement. Your Blue Lodge comes first and this is simply an expansion of that experience.

I would certainly recommend this experience for all Master Masons who desire more light in Masonry.



**Double Eagle Award Night at July Meeting**

We will be presenting Double Eagle Awards, including the Knighting of new Knights of the Double Eagle and presenting of Medallions, Bars & Ribbons.

We hope you will be in attendance for the presentation of these awards.



**Good for You**

The following Brothers recently received certificates and lapel pins:

**Fifty Year Certificates & Lapel Pins**

Richard A. Buell, 32°  
William H. Campbell, 32°  
Charles H. Jackson, 32°  
Raymond D. Rehrig, 32°  
Herman G. Roesch, 32°  
Harold F. Wilson, 32°

**Twenty-five Year Certificates & Lapel Pins**

Charles E. Black, 32°  
Ronald S. Kalisz, 33°

**Millionaire Certificates & Lapel Pins**

All R's Pest Management, Inc.  
Gary Cavanaugh, 32°  
Richard S. Cowan, 32°  
in Memory of Marilyn Cowan  
Kathleen Lodge No. 338  
Lake Region Scottish Rite Club  
Sun City Center Scottish Rite Club

**Billionaire Certificate & Lapel Pin**  
Knights of the Eagle Widows' Sons  
Masonic Motorcycle Riders

Congratulations to Brother John Wermann, 32° KCCH on his election to Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida.



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God Bless America

### 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, I hope to see my Pilot face to face when I have crossed the bar. - Tennyson



Benjamin R. Bell, 32°  
May 3, 2013

James B. Hayward, 32°  
May 5, 2013

Edward E. Sampson, 32°  
April 25, 2013

William H. Croft, 32°  
April 23, 2013

Robert A. May, 32°  
May 10, 2013

John C. Sanchez Jr., 32°  
April 13, 2013

Mebben M. Eudy Jr., 32°  
April 19, 2013

Charles L. Platt, 32° KCCH  
May 4, 2013

Thede Tooma, 33°  
April 29, 2013

Leland M. Hawes Jr., 32°  
May 18, 2013

Denis J. Quilligan, 32°  
March 29, 2013

Richard S. Willis, 32°  
April 19, 2013