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## **Worshipful Master Recognition Night**

by Stephen B. Jacobson, 32°, KCCH

An open meeting will be held at the Tampa Scottish Rite Masonic Center Monday, September 8, at 7:00 p.m.

The Symbolic Degrees of Blue Lodge Masonry are the foundations and cornerstone on which all Appendant bodies, clubs and Masonic organizations are based. In recognition of the outstanding work done by the particular lodges, the Scottish Rite Valley of Tampa, is sponsoring a **Worshipful Master "Recognition Night."** All sitting Worshipful Masters will be individually recognized. All officers and members of the Worshipful Master's Lodge will also be recognized.

This will be an open meeting. Bring friends, family and Brothers of your Lodge to support these Worshipful Masters. This recognition will begin at 7:00 p.m.

As usual, our monthly dinner will be served beginning at 5:45 p.m. The cost of the dinner is \$9 per person.

**Please allow us to accommodate you, your guests and members of your lodge, by making reservations no later than September 4 by calling Trish at the Scottish Rite office, (813) 886-0578.**

My Brothers, with your help, we will make this a memorable evening for **Your Worshipful Master.** 🐾

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## Personal Representative

by Ill.: Russell B. Glendinning, 33°

Brethren: Even with the dog days of summer, things are still humming at your Scottish Rite. We are half way through hurricane season and things in the tropics have been pretty smooth so far, but we are only half way through the time of the year when devastating storms can hit the state of Florida. That being said, we are mov-

ing forward.

Our September 8 meeting will be an open meeting as we continue our tradition of recognizing those members of DeMolay, Rainbow and Job's Daughters who meet within the Valley of Tampa. If you are a Senior DeMolay, Majority Rainbow or Majority Job's Daughter, please wear any honors or awards that you have received from these organizations (PMC, PWA, PBHQ jewel, DeMolay Legion of Honor, Cross of Honor, Chevalier or Rainbow Grand Cross of Color). For close to 100 years, the Masonic fraternity has supported and sponsored these three outstanding organizations and each of them has produced proven "winners" in their respective fields of endeavor. The Valley of Tampa continues that support and I encourage all members of the Scottish Rite, the Masonic fraternity and the human race to be with us that evening to show our future leaders that we continue to support them.

Also on the 8th we will again recognize the Worshipful Masters of the 66 Blue Lodges in our area. This program has been very well received in the past and promises to be just as successful this year. Our Worshipful Masters are hardworking brethren who toil in the quarries every day of Freemasonry. We in the Scottish Rite own them a debt of gratitude for their labors. We will have with us that evening to recognize our Worshipful Masters, M.: W.: James W. Ford, 32° KCCH, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Florida along with R.: W.: Rick Hoover, 33°, Junior Grand Warden.

At our October 13 meeting, we will receive Ill.: Dale I. Goehrig 33°, Sovereign Grand Inspector General of the Supreme Council in the Orient of Florida as he makes his official visit to the Valley of Tampa. Please mark your calendar to be with us that evening. It is also an open meeting so our ladies are invited to be with us that evening.

As you will read in this issue of The Bulletin, our Fall Reunion will be October 25 and November 1. This Reunion is in memory of Ill.: Walter Winchester, 33°. Ill.: Winchester was involved in all branches of Freemasonry and always willing to do what was necessary to get the job done. Petitions need to be turned into the General Secretary no later than October 16. This Reunion is a great way to show our love and respect for the work that Ill.: Winchester did for the Scottish Rite and Freemasonry.

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## General Secretary

by Ill. John E. Drewett, 33°

### Masonic Center available for rental

The Scottish Rite Masonic Center offers you a perfect environment for your special event. The Scottish Rite Masonic

Center has multiple rooms available for rent. A handicap accessible building, centrally located. The Scottish Rite Masonic Center has ample parking, and sits on beautiful grounds.

### The Grand Ballroom

The Grand Ballroom is 5,800 square feet with 16-foot ceilings. It can accommodate up to 400 people in a banquet set up (tables only) or 380 with room for a dance floor. We have 40, 72-inch round banquet tables that are included with the rental, as well as 400 banquet chairs.

Linens are available in the catering packages and can be upgraded at a minimal cost. We also have cocktail tables and 8-foot banquet tables available. All catering is done onsite through L&L Events.

### Theater

The theater has built in seating for 700, also has an orchestra pit which could accommodate additional seating for up to 100 based on preferred set up. The theater is great for large ceremonies, productions, trainings or business presentations, just to name a few. Spotlights, full sound, front and rear projection are all available on site as well as additional audio-visual options.

For more detailed information as well as pricing, please contact Ill. John E. Drewett, 33° at the office at (813) 886-0578. 🐾

## E-Mail Addresses

Please make sure that the General Secretary's office has your most current e-mail address. Send updates to [generalsecretary@srtampa.org](mailto:generalsecretary@srtampa.org) 🐾

## 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 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.

### Affiliations

Richard L. Coyne, 32°

William C. Klinke, 32°

## Scottish Rite Calendar

Have you checked out the Scottish Rite calendar on the Website: <http://tampascottishrite.org/w/calendar/>? We have listed all of the known events that will be taking place at your Scottish Rite in 2014 along with the meeting dates, times and places of our Scottish Rite Clubs. As new events are planned, the calendar will be updated to keep you informed so you may want to check back often. 🐾

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Brethren, I would ask that you please look at your Scottish Rite dues card. Is it current? Does it say your dues are paid in full until December 31, 2014? If it doesn't, I would ask that you please send your check for \$90.00 to the General Secretary now. One of our biggest challenges it seems is trying not to suspend our members for non-payment of dues. If there is a situation that is preventing you from paying your dues, PLEASE contact our General Secretary and discuss your situation with him. I promise you that your Scottish Rite will do everything within our power to assist you.

In closing, you can see there is activity at your Scottish Rite and I hope you will be able to be a part of it. Please don't forget our Scottish Rite Clubs. They are providing programs to those in their areas that perhaps are not able to attend the Consistory meetings. 🐾

## Scottish Rite Clubs

### Lake Region Scottish Rite Education Sessions

September 18, 2014

Tuscan Lodge No. 6, 6:30 p.m.  
8th Degree, Intendant of the Building

November 20, 2014

Tuscan Lodge No. 6, 6:30 p.m.  
15th Degree, Knight of the East

April 16, 2015 TBD

May 21, 2015 TBD

### North Pinellas Scottish Rite Club

2nd Tuesday, 11:30 a.m.

Reservations preferred, phone (727) 460-1824

Kally-K's Steakery Fishery  
1600 Main Street, Dunedin, FL

### Pinellas Scottish Rite Club

1st Friday, 11:00 a.m.

Perkins Family Restaurant

8841 Park Blvd., N, Largo, FL

Information & Reservations (727) 577-5923

### Sarasota Scottish Rite Club

2nd Friday, 11:30 a.m.

(dark July)

Sahib Shrine

600 N. Beneva Road, Sarasota, FL

or

1st Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. in even numbered months

(dark December)

Scottish Rite Club Building

240 S. Tuttle Avenue, Sarasota, FL

### Sun City Center Scottish Rite Club

3rd Monday, 11:30 a.m.

(dark June, July, August and September)

Freedom Plaza Club

Sun City Center, FL

*Support your Scottish Rite Club*

## Good for You - Sept. & Oct.

The following Brothers recently received the following awards:

### Master Craftsman Certificate & Lapel Pin

Robert J. Davis Jr., 32°

### Twenty- Five Year Certificates & Lapel Pins

Luther C. Black, 32°

Richard E. Hugel, 32°

Richard J. Whalen, Sr., 33°

### Perpetual Certificate

Coleman L. Hill, 33°

### Billionaire Certificate & Lapel Pin

Knights of the Eagle, Widows' Sons

Masonic Motorcycle Riders

### Millionaire Certificates & Lapel Pins

Nitram Lodge No. 188 F. & A. M.

Pinellas Scottish Rite Club

Sarasota Scottish Rite Club

## Coming Masonic Events

Please note ALL Scottish Rite Masons may attend the Executive Committee Meetings. The Executive Committee Meetings start at 4:30 p.m., Dinner time is 5:45 p.m. and regular meetings at 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Visit the Valley of Tampa Website for the latest information on meetings and events.

### September 8, 2014:

Executive Committee Meeting

Dinner and Open Meeting

Worshipful Master & Masonic Youth

Appreciation Night

Chicken Fricassee with Yellow Rice, Fried

Plantains, House Salad, Dinner Rolls, Flan, Cup

Cakes, Coffee, Tea, Lemonade

### October 13, 2014:

Executive Committee Meeting

Dinner and Open Meeting

Ill. : Dale I. Goehrig, 33°, Sovereign Grand

Inspector General in Florida will make his

Official Visit

Roast Beef & Roasted Potatoes, Green Beans,

House Salad, Dinner Rolls, Ice Cream, Coffee,

Tea, Lemonade. 🍷

## Deadline for Nov./Dec. Bulletin

October 6 - Contributor deadline

October 15 - Office contributor deadline

October 17 - Transmit print file to our printer

## III.: Walter Winchester, 33° Reunion Schedule

### Saturday, October 25, 2014

- 6:30 a.m. Class Registration – Lobby
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- 7:00 a.m. Class Assembly  
Opening Ceremony – Lodge Room
- 8:00 a.m. 4° Secret Master – Conferred
- 9:00 a.m. 5° Perfect Master – Conferred
- 10:00 a.m. 6° Intimate Secretary – Conferred
- 10:45 a.m. BREAK
- 10:55 a.m. 7° Provost Judge – Conferred
- 11:35 a.m. 8°-11° – Communicated – Lodge Room
- 12:00 a.m. LUNCH
- 12:45 p.m. Class Photo – Valley Officers – 33°  
Brethren -Lodge Room
- 1:00 p.m. 12° Master Architect – Conferred
- 1:50 p.m. 13° – Communicated – Lodge Room
- 2:00 p.m. 14° Perfect Elu – Conferred
- 3:40 p.m. BREAK
- 3:50 p.m. 15° Knight of the East – Conferred
- 5:00 p.m. 16° – Communicated – Lodge Room
- 5:10 p.m. 17° Knight of the East & West –  
Conferred
- 6:25 p.m. Close First Day 281st Reunion

### Saturday, November 1, 2014

- 7:00 a.m. Class Registration – Front Lobby
- 7:30 a.m. Class Assembly – Election of Class  
Orator – Lodge Room
- 8:00 a.m. 18° Knight Rose Croix – Conferred
- 9:30 a.m. 19°- 20° – Communicated – Lodge Room
- 9:45 a.m. 21° Noachite or Prussian Knight  
Conferred
- 10:50 a.m. BREAK
- 11:00 a.m. 22° Prince of Libanus – Conferred
- 12:00 p.m. LUNCH
- 12:45 p.m. 23°- 29° – Communicated - Lodge Room
- 1:15 p.m. 30° Knight Kadosh – Conferred
- 2:30 p.m. BREAK
- 2:40 p.m. 31° – Communicated – Lodge Room
- 2:50 p.m. 32° Master of the Royal Secret –  
Conferred
- 4:15 p.m. BREAK
- 4:30 p.m. Consecration Ceremony – Lodge Room
- 5:00 p.m. Closing Ceremony – Lodge Room 🐼

## Sovereign Grand Commander Northern Jurisdiction

by Ill.: John Wm.  
McNaughton, 33°

### Value Proposition Part 2



If you recall, in the February 2014 issue of *The Northern Light*, my editorial focused on the value proposition of the Scottish Rite (reprinted in the March - April 2014 issue of our *Bulletin*.) Recently, I had a conversation on this same topic with a Past Grand Master from one of the largest states in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction.

His message was both timely and unforgettable. He indicated that only 18 percent of candidates in his state returned to their lodges after they joined the craft, and worse, only eight percent ever became active in their lodges. His thoughts were no less critical when he noted, "What a waste of time and potential resources." This is not exactly a ringing endorsement of the management of Freemasonry in that state. Perhaps he is not alone.

Think about that for a moment. Eighty-two percent of these Freemasons regularly pay their dues, but don't attend meetings. In a rational world, reasonable leaders would recognize this trend and devote their attention and resources toward finding a solution to this unhealthy situation. It is quite probable that a newly identified disease, known in medical circles as irrational groupthink, has infected many of our current Masonic leaders. They routinely ignore the average member as they blindly continue down a road of self-destruction. From all outward appearances, many of those leaders look at the membership as a row of corn to be harvested to support an ever growing list of their favorite secular world charities. When our Masonic leaders fail to understand why members vote with their feet and do not attend meetings, the very future of the craft is in doubt.

Could this be the reason Masonic membership has decreased in the United States every year since 1959?

Probably.

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As to our value proposition, your Scottish Rite is adding to it by sponsoring a new Individual Retirement Account (IRA) benefit. Through Alerus Financial, you will be able to participate in this unique retirement program which features high quality and ultra-low cost mutual funds. Both you and your spouse will be able to participate in this offering. You can get details on page 25 of this publication.

The leaders of the Scottish Rite in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction hope the latest addition to our value proposition will assist you in planning for a better future and a prosperous retirement. The next time you visit your Scottish Rite Valley, we hope you notice our Vision Statement:



You, the member, are the most important part of the Scottish Rite.

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## Scottish Rite Foundation of Florida

What a great opportunity to put into action the word of our Florida Scottish Rite slogan: "Total Involvement Everyone." Join with us and extend a helping hand. Your tax deductible contributions will brighten the future of a child at a time when it is needed the most. Remember your gift keeps on giving forever.

Each Scottish Rite Valley has a member represented on the Foundation Board of Trustees. If you desire more information, your General Secretary will be delighted to put you in touch with your Trustee. Thank you for sharing the gift of voice.

If you would like to help, you can make a tax deductible contribution to "The Scottish Rite Foundation of Florida, U.S.A., Inc." by mailing your donations to: Scottish Rite Masonic Center, 5500 Memorial Highway, Tampa, FL 33634-7336. You can also make a tax deductible contribution securely over the Web: [www.scottishritefoundationofflorida.org](http://www.scottishritefoundationofflorida.org). 🐾



## Director of Work

by Ill. C. Donald Prosser, 33°

Dear Brethren, I have furnished the Fall Reunion Schedule to all concerned, beginning on Saturday October 25 for the first day and concluding on Saturday November 1, 2014. I have reworked the degrees

to keep each day ending around 5:30 p.m. I request that all Degree Masters report the members of their cast to Ill. Rusty Glendinning 33°, Ill. John Drewett 33°, and me. If there are no changes in the cast, I still request a notice to all concerned "No changes to cast." For those Degrees that want to use our Temple for practice sessions (only two are allowed), send the request to me, as I keep the requests and therefore can notify the lighting, costumes, floor equipment and sound committees of the "approved dates" you plan to practice. On the day of your conferral, you are to have each member of your cast with a mike, on the floor before the degree to check each mike, this is very important. It is the responsibility only of the Degree Master to check the proper floor set up. I ask that you inform the rest of the cast to check their mikes and then go back into the anti-room until the degree goes on the floor to confer the degree. Degree Master must turn in the name or names of the temporary candidate or candidates to the Class Director staff prior to the degree conferral. Please have a prompter for your degree to assist your cast. If there are any questions or if you need assistance please send me an email, or call me. 🐾

## Valley of Tampa History

by Ill. C. Donald Prosser, 33°

Continuing the year 1915, a committee was formed to look for a site for a permanent home with it as our own building. The committee reported two sites had been recommended, the first at Lafayette Street and Jefferson at a cost of \$12,500 and the second site located at Madison and Marion Streets. at a cost of \$40,000. During the meeting held on December 6, 1915, it was announced that the Sover-

eign Grand Commander Ill. George F. Moore 33°, had re-appointed Ill. Olin S. Wright 33°, as Deputy of the Supreme Council for Florida. Brothers J. L. Young and Brother A. S. Scheider honorary 33° at the Annual Session in 1915.

Elections for the year 1916 were held on January 3, 1916 as follows: Consistory – George P. Sullivan, 33°, Master of Kadosh; Council of Kadosh – Wilmot Fitts, 33°, Commander; Chapter Rose Croix – E. J. Keefe, 32° KCCH, Wise Master; Lodge of Perfection – Franklin Heinrich, 32° KCCH, Venerable Master. Installation Ceremonies were conducted on January 31, 1916 by Ill. Olin S. Wright, 33°, Deputy as the Installing Officer.

Immediately after the Ceremonies, a motion was moved and passed to change all meetings to be held on Monday nights, on a weekly basis. The Spring Convocation was concluded with 42 new Masters of the Royal Secret, with Ill. Olin S. Wright, 33°, Deputy, consecrating the Class. On June 5, 1916 Brother E. J. Keefe, 32° KCCH, was elected Wise Master of the Chapter of Rose Croix, and on July 3, 1916 elected Commander of the Council of Kadosh. The Report of the Finance Committee showed total assets of \$ 28,593.94 and liabilities of \$1,049.75.

The Fall Convocation began on October 17, 1916 and concluded on 35 candidates received the 19° through 30° with the degrees beginning at 9:00 a.m. and concluding at 11:00 p.m. The Convocation concluded on October 20, with 35 new Masters of the Royal Secret consecrated by Ill. Olin S. Wright, 33°, Deputy. 🐾

## Announcement

The Valley of Tampa's Knights of St. Andrew will hold their annual BBQ on Saturday, November 22, at the Zenda Grotto, 4450 W Ohio Ave., Tampa, FL 33614. The BBQ will be held from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The cost is \$10 per person.

The Knights of St. Andrew invites all members of the Valley of Tampa, their families and friends. All proceeds will go to the Valley of Tampa Scottish Rite Almoner's Fund. Come and enjoy an afternoon of delicious food and fellowship!

For more information, you may contact Brother Del Tanner at his email: [tanner5613@verizon.net](mailto:tanner5613@verizon.net). 🐾

## Prelate

by Ill.: Lou Ortt, 33°



As I began thinking about the reunion coming up October 25 and November 1, I thought that we are conveying an awful lot of information in a short period of time. Is it too much? Is it too intensive? It was then I remembered that a good teacher is one who, possessing some element of truth, has the ability to convey it to the student. The teacher is in the business of gift giving, offering without ties or strings attached a truth that is his to pass on. The extraordinary thing about such a teacher is that he will then allow the student the freedom to do with the gift whatever he wants. It is not data to be retrieved from a computer or to be regurgitated to the teacher to obtain a passing grade. The true teacher sits back and watches in awe as the student uses the truth as he wants, sometimes producing out of his head an idea that has never occurred to the teacher. Now, there is rejoicing because the truth is now the students and the seed is planted and the growing process is taking place.

As I read through the works of many prophets throughout the Volume of Sacred Law, I see their purpose was to plant within the hearer the seed that might work and grow, thereby increasing his faith and belief. Isn't this what we are doing during our reunion? We are planting lots of seeds dealing with all sorts of subjects: tolerance, obedience, fidelity, honesty, benevolence, friendship, charity, patriotism, compassion. etc.

There is no yoke being placed round the neck of the candidate saying, "This is what must be and this is how you will do it." Rather we are saying, "These are the attributes of a good Mason, now it is up to you how you use them in your daily life to become a better man and Mason." 🐾

## Scottish Knights of St. Andrew Meeting Dates

November 10, 2014

December 8, 2014

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## 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



Robert G. Alderson, 32°  
July 13, 2014

Richard R. Hines, 32°  
March 1, 2014

Jack H. Morrell, 32°  
June 18, 2014

Donaldson E. Bartoe, 32°  
July 9, 2014

Robert B. Histed, Sr., 32°  
June 6, 2014

Richard L. Nealis, 32°  
May 10, 2014

Arnold M. Evans, 32°  
June 25, 2014

Thomas L. Isaacs, 32°  
July 11, 2014

Dale L. Pope, 32°  
June 19, 2014

Paul Haimovitz, 32°  
July 11, 2014

Robert J. Liekefet, 32° KCCH  
July 23, 2014

Lester E. Schreiber, 32°  
July 7, 2014

Thomas D. Hart, Jr., 32°  
March 23, 2014

Robert L. Loomis, 32°  
April 21, 2014

Ralph W. Starr Jr., 32°  
June 22, 2014

Pierce J. Harvey Jr., 32°  
August 6, 2014

Otha G. Morgan, 32°  
July 11, 2014

Malcolm J. Strickland, 32°  
August 3, 2014