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OFFICIAL PUPLICATION SCOTTISH RITE BODIES

June 2014

VALLEY OF SALINA ORIENT OF KANSAS

#### Calendar of Event

6/13-15/14 Meeting in Wichita See article on this page.

6/15/14 FATHERS DAY

6/21/14 Book Club:

3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month 8:00

8:00AM at Bayard's, 540 S.

Broadway

7/4/14 FORTH OF JULY

7/19/14 Book Club:

3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month 8:00 AM at Bayard's, 540 S.

Broadway

8/8/14 Grand Lodge is having a

Chance to Advance Wichita Scottish Rite Center Wichita, Kansas. For more information contact your Blue Lodge.

8/16/14 Book Club:

3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month 8:00 AM at Bayard's, 540 S. Broadway

Dates to remember:

October 18, 2014

**Fall Reunion** 

We did not have a Spring Reunion because we had no candidates. Do you have a candidate lined up for the Fall Reunion?

We cannot grow without New Members!

Last Saturday Breakfast will be going dark for June, July & Aug.



## **IMOPORTANT**

#### Be sure to read and consider attending.

I hope you have read my earlier invitation and are making plans to be in Wichita on June 14<sup>th</sup> to brainstorm ideals for the future direction of our Scottish Rite in Kansas. All Brethren are encouraged to be with us and share your suggestions of how the Scottish Rite may become more engaged with and attractive to you and the generation of today.

With this in mind, I wanted to update you on evolving plans for the weekend:

Friday June 13 – Wichita SR Center (Free parking available in lot north of Center) 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm Social Gathering (wives are encouraged to attend)

Hors d'oeuvres

Cash Bar

Saturday June 14 – Wichita SR Center (Free parking available in lot north of the Center)

8:00 am - 8:30 am
Coffee and donuts - Annex, 1<sup>st</sup> floor
Class Room - 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor
Lunch - Provided by SGIG
Resume Labor - Class Room
S:00
Recap of the day (Recess until Sunday if we so choose.)
Dinner - River City Brewery, Old Town

Sunday June 15 – Wichita SR Center

**TBD** 

It's not too late to join us on the journey. Email me: hugh@wichitascottishrite.org

Best regards, Hugh W. Gill, III Sovereign Grand Inspector General

Website: valleyofsalina.org Please retain this Newsletter in its entirety, for the period covered.

# MESSAGE FROM THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: Donald F. Hamilton, 33°



"What Do We Do Now?" "Where do we go from here?" are two of the questions regarding the future of the Masonic Temple and Masonry at this time. We have many solutions to choose from to get the best answer and most enthusiasm from our members to declare accomplishment.

First, we must unite and get organized to begin our journey. Second, we must list our resources, evaluate them and choose the best available. Third, we must list our pitfalls, anything that will stand in our way or impede accomplishment. Fourth, we must list those things we want to do or accomplish. Fifth, we must evaluate all the above and determine what fits together, what can be done to accomplish our goals and who will be willing to be leaders, captains, workers, etc. in the process.

Sure in the early days of the existence of the Masonic Temple, the Isis Shrine and Scottish Rite have jointly been the two groups to keep the building going. Now, the only surviving member of that two, is Scottish Rite.

The future of Scottish Rite is to develop "Plan B". This plan is to give guidance to our organization from this day forward. It will include scenarios for remaining at our current location, re-locating with all bodies or with only Scottish Rite, etc. We need to keep in mind that Masonry must survive. Historically, we are the foundation of our country and we still have a lot to do for mankind. In conclusion, each member is being asked to participate in this program. Take it upon yourself to become active. Talk to other Scottish Rite members, develop a program for your location, contact our office for help or guidance. Remember each of us works for the Good of The Order.

At the Stated meeting on May 20<sup>th</sup>, we had a challenge, probably #1. Brother Mike Terry issued a challenge to all the Brothers at the meeting to get one new member's petition signed and delivered to Don Hamilton by Sept 16<sup>th</sup>. Oh! We had 21 members present.

Don

# MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF THE WORK James R. Winn, 32° KCCH

#### Greetings Brothers:

I trust that everyone will have a wonderful summer and be rested up for the Fall Reunion. Right now our mission should be focused on membership. Nation wide membership fell from more than four million in 1963 to about 1.6 million in 2005. The average age was 62 years old. Membership right now is lower than it was when I became a Scottish Rite Mason in 1969. In today's world of electronics, young people are not interested in joining any groups or fraternities. Why is that? Could it be as Masons we are not stressing the real meaning of belonging and sharing information that sets the pace for succeeding in today's world? If we as Scottish Rite Masons are going to survive, we need to find a way to do it and fast, because time is running out for us older Masons and younger membership has to be the answer. We can promote our Fraternity by being involved in community service and let the public know that Masonry still exists. How we did things "back then" is not working. We will have to change and move towards modern times. When we joined the Blue Lodge secrecy was drilled into our heads. We do recognize one another and that should never change. If we get any new members we must keep them interested and give them a task to be accomplished.

I want to remind all cast members to bring your scripts for your parts to the practices. Karl Ryan, 33°, Stage Director, can always use people to help with the props. If you are interested contact myself or Nadine Gable at 785-827-9006

Practice will be October 5, 2014.

Coffee 8:30 - 9:00 AM

9:30 AM 32<sup>nd</sup> Degree on the third floor
10:00 AM 4<sup>th</sup> Degree in the Blue Lodge Room
11:00 AM 14<sup>th</sup> Degree in the York Rite Room
12:00 Noon 18<sup>th</sup> degree on the third floor
1:00 PM 31<sup>st</sup> Degree on the third floor
2:00 PM 30<sup>th</sup> Degree 3<sup>rd</sup> Apt. Blue Lodge Room
2:30 PM 30<sup>th</sup> Degree 4<sup>th</sup> Apt. Blue Lodge Room
This will be a long day, but well worth it I feel.
Fall Reunion will be October 18, 2014.

We have received word from the Valley of Northeast Kansas that :.Ill. William (Bill) V. Denton, 33°, Personal Representative, Emeritus passed away on May 14, 2014. Bill was involved in many Masonic, as well as, civic organizations. He will be missed by the Brothers of Scottish Rite. Please join me in sending our thoughts and prayers to those close to him.

Ill:. Donald F. Hamilton, 33° Personal Representative Valley of Salina

## In Memorandum

"As one by one, the autumn leaves fade in the forest deep,

So one by one, in each of you must come the touch of sleep;

As one by one, the rose burst into the morning light, So one by one, your soul shall wake again beyond the night."

Floyd Orville Britting	09/18/2013
William Milton Cox	01/27/2014
Roland Gene Craig	03/22/2014
Jack Edwin Frey	04/10/2013
Herbert Eugene Johnson	05/19/2014

# Congratulation! To Jeffery Larson, 32°

Supreme Council in Washington D.C. held a talent contest among the Brothers, and the winners got to perform at the Celebrating the Craft Webcast on May 17, 2014

Congratulations to Jeffery Larson, 32°. He had the privilege to travel to Washington D.C. and play his guitar and sign two songs during the webcast. If you saw the webcast you know that he did an excellent job. Jeffery belongs to Lafayette Lodge in Manhattan, Kansas and Scottish Rite, Valley of Salina. He continues to serve in the U.S. Army where he now is stationed in Washington State. We wish you the best in all of your future endeavors.



Donald F. Hamilton, 33°, Personal Rep., presents Chad E. Jones, 32° his certificate and pin for completing the Master Craftsman I, Masonic Education Class.

Brother Jones is one of our newer members. He was a part of the Fall 2013 Class. He and his family recently moved back to Kansas and now live in Lindsborg, Kansas. He currently serves as a member of the Valley of Salina Scottish Rite Education Committee.

The Master Craftsman course is offered through the Supreme Council, in Washington D.C. via the internet. More information about these correspondence courses can be found at: scottishrite.org.

# Herndon Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic Fort Hays State University Hays, Kansas



The Fort Hays State University Rite Care Clinic would like you to meet a little boy whose name is Leevi. Leevi came to our clinic for the first time in October 2013. His parents were told by his preschool to look into speech therapy for their son. They mentioned that some friends had taken their child to our clinic and had "great things to say." Leevi was evaluated and showed a delay in articulation (primarily sound substitutions). He was a delightful little boy who had so much to say, but was hard to understand, especially to those who were not familiar with him

Leevi began services in February 2014. He worked diligently twice a week for 30 minutes the whole semester. His Dad observed every session and helped Leevi practice "his sounds" at home. Blake, his student clinician, challenged Leevi each day and Leevi mastered almost every task presented to him! Leevi met his goals and was DISMISSED from services in May....what a success story!!

Blake, his student clinician, was THRILLED to work with Leevi. Blake learned that working with both a child and their parent, can make a BIG difference. As Blake chose goals each day, he also shared home practice ideas with Leevi's Dad. "This was one of the BEST learning experiences I have

had! It was so rewarding to see Leevi progress in his speech development right before my eyes!"

Leevi's parents are forever grateful to the Kansas Scottish Rite Foundation for providing a scholarship for their son. Without this support, they would not have been able to get the services Leevi needed at this critical time in his development. They too could see and hear Leevi's speech becoming easier to understand over the course of the semester. As parents, they want to say "THANK YOU" to the Scottish Rite for their generosity and support!



The 4<sup>th</sup> of July is
Our Independence
Day.
We are fortunate,
Let Us Protect and
Preserve it.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Run/Walk to Help Children Talk At Ft Hays State University

On Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, the second annual Run/Walk to Help Children Talk was hosted by students of the national Student Speech-Language-Hearing Association at Fort Hays State University and faculty and staff of the Geneva Herndon Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic. This event was hosted in conjunction with the Scottish Rite Masons from the Valley of Salina, Orient of Kansas. Proceeds from the event will support student scholarships and clinic materials. There were 60 participants who ran and walked the 5K course around the Fort Hays State University campus. Prizes were awarded for the top three females and male runners as well as the top five walkers. These individuals are as follows: Female Runners 1) Nicole O'Dwyer, 2) Ashley O'Dwyer, and 3) Molly McCartney; Male Runners 1) Michael Brandel, 2) William Poland, and 3) Blake Roth; and walkers 1) Julia Kent, 2) Stephen Mizell, 3) Ron Kent, 4) Jacque Jacobs, and 5) Andrea Wichers. Approximately 20 students majoring in speechlanguage pathology volunteered their time and talents for the event. Following the Run/Walk, a lunch for Scottish Rite visitors was held. Those present for the event were Don and Beverly Hamilton, Jim and Carol Winn, Nadine Gable, all from Salina, Doug Gomel, Beverly, Brad Boyer, Hays, and Henry and Carolyn Burmeister, Holyrood.

It was a privilege and an honor for the Members of the Valley of Salina, Orient of Kansas to sit down with the Students and Staff of the Herndon Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic and discuss ways in which they think that we can help them in their endeavor to help as many children as possible.





Winners of the Run/Walk to help children Talk 2014





Students and Staff of Ft Hays State University that worked hard to put on the Run/Walk to help Children talk.

Congratulation to all who helped organize a successful event this year.



Scottish Rite Members and their wives, who attended the Run/Walk to help Children Talk: Bev Hamilton, Nadine Gable, Carolyn Burmeister, Henry Burmeister, Carol Winn, Brad Boyer, Donald Hamilton, James Winn and Douglas Gomel



Marla S. Stabb, (center) Coordinator of the Herndon Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic. Marla will be retiring at the end of the school year. She will be missed by the staff of the Scottish Rite Office here in Salina. To the left of Marla is Dr. Jayne Brandel, Chair of the Communications Disorders Department at FHSU, whom we look forward to working with.

# Announcing Kansas State University Speech and Hearing Center Our Newest RiteCare Clinic in Kansas

Ill:. Hugh W. Gill, III, 33°, Sovereign Grand Inspector General of the Orient of Kansas heralded on April 7, 2014.

"With great pride I am pleased to announce the Speech and Hearing Center at Kansas State University has been officially designated a RiteCare Clinic and newest member of our Supreme Council family of clinics dedicated to improving speech, language, and learning challenges faced by children of Kansas. Please join with me in congratulating and welcoming the faculty and students of Kansas State into our Kansas RiteCare circle of Clinics".



## **JROTC Awards Presented**

The Valley of Salina presented two JROTC Certificates and medals to deserving Cadets at two different High Schools in our Valley.

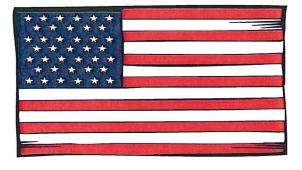
Cadet Tervor Dailey of Junction City High School on May 1, 2014. Fred Freeby took the time to make the presentation as the Representative of the Valley of Salina.

Cadet Brandon Swain of St. Johns Military School in Salina on May 8, 2014. St. Johns Military School presented the award as part of their own Awards Program.

Approved by the Assistant Secretary of Defense, the award consists of a medal, ribbon, and certificate. The medal depicts the heraldic logo of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, and by the words "JROTC Education and Americanism" calls attention to two of the major focal points of the Scottish Rite.

- 1. The cadet must have contributed the most among cadets on campus to encourage and demonstrate Americanism by deed or conduct during participation in extracurricular activities or community projects
- 2. He/She must have demonstrated academic excellence by being in the top 25% of the Academic class.
- 3. Have Demonstrated outstanding leadership by exhibiting qualities of dependability, good character, self discipline, good citizenship and patriotism.
- 4. Have not previously received this award.

In this day and age, its a privilege for the Scottish Rite, Valley of Salina, Orient of Kansas to recognize two outstanding young men on their achievements.



#### Remembrance and Renewal Ceremonies

Remembrance and Renewal Ceremonies were held at the Historical Masonic Center in Salina, Kansas on Tuesday March 18, 2014. We opened this event to the public, so more people in the community could have a peek in to what Scottish Rite is about, and a chance to see parts of the building.

Donald F. Hamilton, 33° Personal Rep./Secretary for the Valley of Salina presented the wives or daughters of deceased members with a long stem red rose in memory of their loved one. He invited everyone to meet in the dining room on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor for coffee, pie and conversation.

We would like to thank the cast, crew and volunteers that helped to make this event memorable for everyone that attended: James Kerby, Palmer Price, Donald Hamilton, Steve Miles, Paul Livengood, Doug Kempton, Don Robinett, John Reynolds, Fred Corn, Sharon Gawith, Karl Ryan, Frank Owsley, Brett Weis, Bob Harris, Gerald Karnes, Larry Anderson, Robert McClarty, Rodney Denholm, Bev Hamilton and Carol Winn. We would be unable to make events like this a success without the members that step up to make things happen. Volunteers are the best!

## Help Keep Our Records Current

Every year when the billing for your dues is sent to you, there is a form where you can update any information that has changed. Please take the time to fill it out, if there are changes.

Have you changed jobs? Have you retired? Have you moved? Have you changed telephone companies? Do you have a cell phone? Are you still married? Has your wife died? Do you have an e-mail address? The answers to these questions effect the way we communicate with you, or we don't communicate with you because we don't have current information.

Please help us keep your information current, so that in a 100 years when your great, great, great grandchildren call and want know about you, we will have accurate information to give them.

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#### **Scottish Rite Bulletin**

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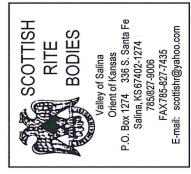
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raised a Master Mason (date)	
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I Support "The inculcation of Patriotism, respect for Law and Order and undying Loyalty to the Principals of civil and religious Liberty and the entire separation of Church and State as set forth in the Constitution of the United States of America."  I have never held or express opinions contrary to the foregoing affiliation with any organization which has. The statements in this Petition are on my honor as a Mason.	
Signed	
Recommended By	
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#### Fraternal Greetings,

It was a pleasure to have had the opportunity to speak with you about The Scottish Rite. It is our sincere hope that as a result of our conversation you will be motivated to look further into what our organization has to offer you.

Should you wish more information, please contact the Scottish Rite office at your convenience. We would be pleased to share further with you the rich heritage which defines our Masonic fraternity.

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