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Sunday, Oct. 9

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BULL ROAST**

Sunday, Oct. 23

WINE TASTING

Saturday, Nov. 5



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A MESSAGE FROM

Ill. Marlin L. Mills, 33°



WHERE DID THE SUMMER GO? It seems just a short time ago that I was wishing everyone a wonderful summer vacation and now we are back in full swing again. I hope you enjoyed your summer and made memories with family and friends.

Now it is time to make new memories. In a few days, our new 33rd degree and KCCH recipients will enjoy an unforgettable day as the degrees are conferred upon them, followed by a gala banquet.

I would be remiss if I did not take this opportunity to congratulate each of them on this great honor. It is an honor that they earned for their work, dedication and donations of time and energy to the Scottish Rite, community and the fraternity.

HONORS SHOULD NEVER BE GIVEN—ALWAYS EARNED.

They also receive this honor because of the future contributions that they will continue to make. As with any promotion, responsibility and expectations increase, and I have no doubt that each man will rise to the occasion.

I also must express my sincerest appreciation to our Grand Commander Ronald A. Seale, Admiral Eugene Sizemore and the Supreme Council, not only for approving our nominations but also for allowing Maryland to confer the 33rd degree. Ill. Brother Walter Downs provided advice, moral support, and scripts. Without his extensive support and knowledge, our Honors Day would surely be incomplete. These great men are what leaders are made of and what makes the Scottish Rite so attractive to all.

Some leaders may be born, but education and training hone the edge. Why not ask someone you know if he has what it takes to help lead our Scottish Rite?

Speaking of leaders, our last few classes are showing signs of very promising leadership. I have no doubt that there are men in your lodges who can fill some of those positions in our fall class. This class will offer new degrees that many of you will want to observe.

In closing, may I ask our Supreme Architect to bless those who are leading our men and women around the world and those at home who protect us and the United States of America.

God Bless each of you and your families and I look forward to being with you again very soon.

Food for thought:

Late President John F. Kennedy once said “Leadership and learning are indispensable to each other.”

Sincerely and Fraternaly,



Ill. Marlin L. Mills, 33°



**Deputy of the Supreme Council
in Maryland**



News from the Personal Representative

By: Ill. E. Ray Leppo, Jr., 33°—Personal Representative



THE 2011 FALL SCHEDULE for the Ill. Herbert F. Hull, Jr., 33° Class is as follows:

SEPTEMBER

Wednesday, September 7
Albert Pike Lodge of Perfection
Dinner-Buffer Style, 6:45pm
Meeting, 7:30pm
Speaker, 8pm

Wednesday, September 14
Meredith Chapter of Rose Croix
Dinner-Buffer Style, 6:45pm
Meeting, 7:30pm
Speaker, 8pm

Saturday, September 17
Orient Honors Day
33° & KCCH Conferrals
2pm

Wednesday, September 21
Maryland Council of Kadosh
Dinner-Buffer Style, 6:45pm
Meeting, 7:30pm
Speaker, 8pm

Wednesday, September 28
Chesapeake Consistory
Dinner-Buffer Style, 6:45pm
Meeting, 7:30pm
Speaker, 8pm

OCTOBER

Wednesday, October 5
Class Orientation
7pm

Sunday, October 9
Basket Bingo
12:45pm

Wednesday, October 12
Feast of Tishri
7pm

Wednesday, October 19
4° & 5° Conferral
Albert Pike Lodge of Perfection
7pm

Sunday, October 23
Annual Scottish Rite Bull and Oyster Roast
2pm–6pm

Wednesday, October 26
11° & 13° Conferral
Albert Pike Lodge of Perfection
7pm

Sunday, October 30
Scottish Rite Memorial Service
3pm

NOVEMBER

Wednesday, November 2
14° Conferral
Albert Pike Lodge of Perfection
7pm

Sunday, November 6
Ring Ceremony & Awards
2pm

Wednesday, November 9
18° & 20° Conferral
Rose Croix
7pm

Saturday, November 12
Reunion Day
21°, 30° & 32° Conferral
7pm

DECEMBER

Sunday, December 11
Scottish Rite Christmas Program
2pm

Scottish Rite Creed

The Scottish Rite Creed of Freemasonry is as follows:

Human progress is our cause, liberty of thought our supreme wish, freedom of conscience our mission, and the guarantee of equal rights to all people everywhere our ultimate goal.

The Meredith Chapter of Rose Croix

By: Ill. Charles L. Carmichael, 33°—Wise Master



I BRING YOU FRATERNAL GREETINGS from the members of the Meredith Chapter of Rose Croix. I hope all of you had a most enjoyable summer and are now ready to pick up your working tools as we renew the labors of the chapter.

The fall schedule for the Valley of Baltimore is filled with activities for all Scottish Rite Masons.

We have a full Fall Class schedule with the conferring of 9 degrees culminating with our Class Reunion. The Feast of Tishri, as well as other social events, afford opportunities for families and friends to gather together and enjoy our special fraternity. And our regular Lodge meetings are preceded by dinners and followed by speakers, which are open to everyone who wishes to participate and enjoy the fellowship.

While we have become accustomed to all of these events over the years, this fall takes on a special

meaning to all of us in the form of Honors Day. Honors Day, which we observe every two years, is a time when we celebrate those brothers who have been recognized and elected by the Supreme Council to the rank and decoration of Knight Commander of the Court of Honour, or 33° Inspector General Honorary. They have been recognized for their dedication and hard work to the Rite. Although they are being recognized for their past contributions, there is also an expectation for even greater achievement in the future, for the benefit of the fraternity in general and our Scottish Rite in particular.

This time of celebration should also serve for all Scottish Rite Masons as a time of reflection; a time to examine our own involvement and contribution, regardless of individual honors bestowed, and to rededicate ourselves to the principles and causes of Scottish Rite Masonry. We hope you and your families will take advantage and participate in what will be a most memorable season in the Valley of Baltimore.

On behalf of the members of the Meredith Chapter of Rose Croix, we congratulate our honor men and look forward to being with you as we renew the labors of the Chapter.

ALBERT PIKE LODGE OF PERFECTION

By: Ill. Morris L. Bohlayer, 33°—Venerable Master



I hope everyone made it through the hot and humid weather this summer and is ready to get back to work.

The Fall Lodge of Perfection meeting will be September 7, followed by dinner at 6:30pm. Please call the office one week before to make reservations.

Orientation for the Fall Class honoring Ill. Herbert Hull, Jr., 33° will be October 5. The Lodge of Perfection will confer the 4th & 5th degrees on October 19, the 13th degree on October 26 and the 14th degree on November 2. The 14th degree Ring Ceremony will be on November 6.

The Feast of Tishri will be on October 12 and will be done in period costumes. Please mark your calendar.

Don't forget the Bull Roast on October 23, and I hope to see you on September 7.



Chesapeake Consistory

By: Hon. Raymond F. Lunn, 32°, KCCH—Master of Kadosh



As I am writing this, the Orioles are getting ready for the All Star break and I'm hoping the Ravens Season starts on time. I am also hoping everyone had a great 4th of July and that everyone is having a safe and fun summer.

I congratulate all the newly-elected KCCH and 33rd degree men. I understand all the hard work each and every one of you put into earning your honors. I know that all the Degree Masters are hard at work getting everything ready for the next class.

I look forward to seeing and greeting all of you this fall.

Maryland Council of Kadosh

By: Hon. James C. Davis, II, 32°, KCCH



WELCOME BACK from what I hope was a wonderful summer for everyone. It's now time for us to resume our labors and get busy working toward our Fall Reunion.

We will begin our Fall Schedule with our Lodge Meetings and dinners. Our Maryland Council of Kadosh meeting will be on

Wednesday, September 21st, beginning with dinner at 6:45pm. Our meeting will be at 7:30, with a speaker following at 8pm. Please join us and enjoy a nice evening out at the Scottish Rite.

It is also time to start getting those petitions in for our Fall Class. We had 100 new members join in our Spring Class and it would be wonderful to duplicate that in the fall. There are many Brothers being raised out there in Lodges. Don't be afraid to approach them about continuing their journey in Masonry by joining the Scottish Rite.

In closing, I look forward to seeing each of you at our various Scottish Rite functions this fall.

Scottish Rite Masons Honor Departed Brother **HON. JOHN W. KINNIER, 32°, KCCH**

On June 6, 2011, members of the Scottish Rite traveled to Arlington, Virginia to honor our departed brother, the Hon. John W. Kinnier, 32°, KCCH. Bro. Kinnier was a retired Captain in the United States Navy and was buried with full military honors.



Scottish Rite—Valley of Cumberland

By: Ill. P. Gary Shircliff, 33°—Personal Representative of the Valley of Cumberland



THE CORNERSTONE at the Masonic Temple was dedicated by Gen. Thomas J. Shyroch, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Maryland on June 6, 1911. The Cumberland Masonic Temple 100-Year Cornerstone Rededication Ceremony took place on June 12, 2011. Approximately 100 Masons took part in the program, which began with church service at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, followed by a parade of Masons in their group affiliation attire, and ended with the acting Grand Master of Masons in

Maryland, Gerald E. Piepiora, performing the cornerstone rededication in front of the Masonic Temple. The pictures show the Knights of St. Andrew of Cumberland who participated with their new flags and banners. Other units participating were Knight Templars of the York Rite, members of the Ali Ghan Divan and honor guard and members, two Masonic Union re-enactor soldiers, two past Masters from England who were visiting Cumberland, Blue Lodge officers and members, and the Grand Lodge of

Maryland Line Officers. Many wives attending are members of the Order of Eastern Star and Daughters of the Nile. Also present were members of the DeMolay and Rainbow Girls.

This program was held in conjunction with the annual Cumberland Heritage Day celebration. The Grand Line also rededicated the cornerstone of the Cumberland City Hall later in the afternoon. Cumberland City Hall cornerstone was dedicated on June 6, 1911 by officers and members of Ohr Lodge #131.



The Cumberland Scottish Rite held their Ladies Night on Saturday, May 7, 2011 at the Ali Ghan Shrine Center. Clint Snyder, 32°, KCCH, Venerable Master and his committee provided the ladies with an elegant evening of fine dining, entertainment, and a gift.

Dignitaries attending were (L to R): Paul G. Shircliff, 33°, Personal Representative of Cumberland Consistory; Marlin L. Mills, 33°, Deputy of the Supreme Council in Orient of Maryland; Bennie G. Owens, 33°, Orient Personal Representative in Maryland; Dr. Hans R. Wilhelmsen, 33°, Emeritus Sovereign Grand Inspector General in Maryland; Fred A. Spicer, 33°, Secretary/Registrar of Orient of Maryland. Also attending but not in picture were Gerald E. Piepiora, 32°, KCCH, Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master and his wife Denise.



The Valley of Southern Maryland

By: Ill. Kenneth Hopkins Sebra, 33°



THE VALLEY OF SOUTHERN MARYLAND is preparing for the Fall of 2011. Our Director of Work, Tom Barnhart, is busy polishing up some rough edges and getting us ready to meet our Fall Class. Parts are being assigned, props are being inspected and improvements in presentation are being discussed. Our digital projector has been a major asset, however we do not feel that we are using it to its full potential.

When a candidate receives his Scottish Rite Degrees, it's like opening a door and peering into a room for the first time. There is so much to see. I know I was overwhelmed. There is so much to learn.

It is so important for new and old members to attend Scottish Rite meetings, to walk around the room and get a better understanding of everything in the room. There are many things you may not have been able to see by just looking through the door.

Then there is the Master Craftsman Program, which allows you to pick up items and examine them. There may be some hidden meaning that is not obvious at first glance. The Master Craftsman Program requires some work but it is well worth it.

Next, there is the Scottish Rite Research Society, which allows you to study the history of Masonry and the Scottish Rite. You will gain a deeper understanding of the origin and history of the Scottish Rite.

There are two histories to Freemasonry. One is the organizational history and the other is the philosophical. The organizational history extends back a few hundred years, while the philosophical history extends back thousands of years. It is important to know both and further study will take you there.

Walk through that door that has been opened for you. Don't just look in, come in and walk around. You'll be glad you did.

Harvest Homecoming

News from the Harvest Homecoming Committee

ON BEHALF OF OUR MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER, Stephen J. Ponzillo, III, the Maryland Masonic Homes and the Grand Lodge of Maryland invite you to join us for the Annual "Corn Husking" Breakfast on the grounds of Grand Lodge in Cockeysville on Saturday, October 1, 2011.

Sausage, pancakes, coffee, and pumpkin pie will be served—all you can eat all morning! The museum will be open, classic cars and motorcycles will be on display, and the resident's bazaar always has very nice items to offer. You will also be able to purchase a box of sausage to take home or to your

lodge. Extra sausage has been ordered. The breakfast is open to every Mason in Maryland and any male guest 12 years or older. This is a great way to introduce someone to our Masonic family.

DeMolay will have a booth and will provide information and answer questions about this organization for young men. There will also be an actual corn husking contest this year! Every lodge may submit a team and prizes will be awarded by the Grand Master.

There will be lots to do and even more to eat! Bring a Brother, friend or neighbor and share the morning with your brothers.

REMEMBER: PARKING CHANGE!

There is no longer parking in the usual location (McCormick Lot) and no buses will run. All parking has moved up the hill to 303 International Circle. This is across the street from Gate Two (Walk-in Entrance). There is no parking on Grand Lodge property (without a Grand Lodge permit). Please tell everyone. There are hundreds of spaces just across the street. No waiting for buses. Walk in and out whenever you want.

We look forward to seeing you on Saturday, October 1, 2011.

The Higher Degrees of Masonry— En français s'il vous plaît?

By: Charles Matulewicz, 32°



IN WORKING TO COMPLETE the first section of the Master Craftsman program, one of the facts that I found most surprising was that the Scottish Rite is an amalgamation of many degrees that existed separately, and these were later brought together in a coherent form. I was further surprised that the degrees that we now know have evolved over time, originating in pre-revolution France. What was it about 18th-century France that made it the crucible of the high degrees that would become our Scottish Rite? Remember, my Brethren, that 18th-century France was the

land of Voltaire and Rousseau, of bloody revolutions and the formulation of philosophies on the rights of man and the social contract. Strangely, this was also a period in which the hierarchy of station and class was very much alive and well. Perhaps it was this yearning for equality that made men seek out the gentle craft, but the hierarchy of society that kept them seeking further degrees? Who wouldn't want to be a Knight, Prince, or Grand Inspector? But there must have been more than honors that appealed to men in royalist France.

Remember that freedom of speech was not guaranteed, and with these new ideas in the air, men were attracted to places like the Jacobin Club, where politics and the new science and philosophy were spoken of freely by men of all stations. Freedom of speech and thought would have been appealing to the French; so too would the fraternity and fellowship that the craft provides. What is it about the Macons Ecosaise (Scottish Masons) that appealed to the French? I believe the appeal was the same as the ideals incorporated into the motto of modern France: Liberty, Equality, and Brotherhood. After all, these are the same ideals that appeal to men today, Oui?

Looking to the past does not make our fraternity moribund, my Brothers. All you have to do is look around our Scottish Rite and our Fraternity to see the beginnings of a Renaissance. The Master Craftsman program has helped me understand where we came from, our philosophy, and the symbolism of our degrees. But it is the Brethren who have made me want to seek out my place to contribute. We have an unprecedented opportunity to have a positive impact on the Fraternity and leave it a better place than we found it. Visit your Blue Lodge, visit the Rite, and I hope to see you in the classroom.

BROTHERS CALLED FROM LABOR TO ETERNAL REST

As of July 5, 2011

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 Willis E. Boswell
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 Arden L. Brock
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 Walter J. Elseroad
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 James L. Fischer
 William O. Fox
 Maxwell V. Frye, Jr.
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 James W. Zollickoffer



The Valley of Frederick

By: William Eisentrout, 33°—Personal Representative



NOW AS THE SUMMER SEASON FADES AWAY, we are about to shift into high gear on our fall projects. We will have a busy four-month schedule ahead, starting with a Lodge of Perfection meeting on September 15. Our new Director of Work will be setting dates for the degrees, utilizing several of our new members in the cast.

The Orient of Maryland, on September 17, will be holding Honors Day for the new 33° conferral and KCCH investiture, capping ceremony and Honors Day Banquet. I would like to congratulate all of the Brothers in the Orient of Maryland for their honors, a most rewarding and deserving achievement. Also, we have three 50-year members I would like to congratulate on their membership and involvement with us.

October will be a busy month, so our dates for various degrees may be on Saturdays. The Feast of Tishri Banquet is on October 20, Lodge of Perfection open meeting, reservation required, more details to follow.

As we had a very good spring class, let us once again try to obtain new members of Scottish Rite and request that our members attend our meetings. This is the best way we can advance Scottish Rite Masonry. Let us give the fall class a great effort. Saturday, November 12 is Reunion Day in Baltimore.

Yes, we cannot forget our ill and shut-in members; they need our support and it is our duty to assist in any way we can. Please let us know of your status if you are in this group.

The first Thursday of every month is our breakfast at the Barbara Fritchie Restaurant. It is a great morning, with wonderful guest speakers and very good fellowship. Come and enjoy. Bring a masonry friend or an inquiring friend.

Education Committee News Release

By: Ill. Tom Vance, 33°—Chairman of the Education Committee



ON MAY 12, 2011, the Scottish Rite Education Committee met to interview candidates for the John W. Brockman Fellowship. The purpose of this Fellowship is to identify and provide monetary awards to graduate students at Maryland colleges and universities who are studying to become speech and

language therapists. All award recipients are required to serve one semester of their supervised clinical practice in our own Hilgenberg Childhood Speech and Language Center. This Fellowship has been awarded to more than 75 students since it was established in 1982.

This year, the committee interviewed six candidates from Loyola University and Towson University. Awards totaling \$15,000 were granted to Meghan Madura and Stephanie Sadaphal from Loyola University. Melissa Sechler and Julia Miller from Towson University were also selected as Brockman Fellows for 2011.

This year's committee included Ill. Marlin L. Mills, 33°, Deputy of the Supreme Council in Maryland; Ill. John T. Vance, III, 33°, Committee Chair; Ill. E. Ray Leppo, Jr., 33°; Ill. Charles W. Ridgeway, 33°; Ill. Frederick A. Spicer, 33°; Bro. Charles F. Reid, III, 32°; Mrs. Olga Polites, Director of Clinical Services, Hearing and Speech Agency of Maryland; and Ms. Christine Wandishin, Hilgenberg Childhood Center Director.

Congratulations to the 2011 Brockman Fellowship award winners!

THE MASTER MASON FRIEND WHO:

1. Is interested in learning of the philosophies of the world, both of this and other ages;
2. Would like to join with other earnest men in an absorbing study of present-day problems;
3. Would appreciate turning, for just a little while, from the constant struggles of day-to-day existence to commune with the noblest intellects of all time,
4. Enjoys viewing worthwhile drama, well presented;
5. Finds the hearty fellowship and goodwill of other men inspiring and enjoyable;
6. Is willing to enter into true fraternity with other men when he finds them worthy; and
7. Has caught the gleam of Masonic inspiration from his Blue Lodge work and is ready to seek the truth further still

SHOULD PETITION FOR OUR FALL CLASS

A petition is on Page 21 of this magazine or visit www.mdscottishrite.org to download a petition.



Could your child have a speech or language problem?

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In October, the Hilgenberg Scottish Rite Childhood Speech and Language Center will offer comprehensive speech and language evaluations to residents of Frederick County between the ages of 18 months and 18 years.

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- Have difficulty following directions?
- Get stuck on certain words (stuttering)?
- Have trouble formulating sentences and using age-appropriate grammar?



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A Busy Fall Season

By: Ill. Bennie G. Owens, 33°—Orient Personal Representative



YES, BRETHREN, IT WILL BE A BUSY FALL SEASON for our Scottish Rite. On September 17 we will confer the Knight Commander of the Court of Honour and the 33rd Degree on some very deserving candidates. The KCCH conferral in the afternoon will be a public ceremony that the families may observe. It will be a very spectacular day for the Orient of Maryland, concluding with dinner and entertainment.

Please take part in those programs that are available to you.

A full schedule of degree work will start on Wednesday, September 19 and conclude with the Reunion Day on November 12. And don't forget the Bull and Oyster Roast on October 23. If we add all of the programs for September, October and November with Grand Lodge, Ladies organizations, York Rite and Youth Groups, we will be quite busy.

My brethren, remember that it is very simple to plan this vast amount of work. However, planning is only the start. Now is when the MEMBERSHIP counts. Every member of our fraternity must put his best foot forward to make these

plans a successful reality. We must have attendance at all of the social and public events. We must have sideliners at all of the degree work. We must show our new members that we are interested in them and also in our Scottish Rite ritual work. We expect our performers to do their usual excellent job, but we must not forget that to properly sell our fraternity, we must support their efforts with our presence and our appreciation. We have five active Valleys in the Orient of Maryland and I expect to see as many as possible in all five valleys. Yes, from Salisbury to Cumberland and everywhere in between. I hope that your motto for the rest of the year is "Yes, I Will Be There." What a wonderful way to enjoy our Masonry.

Upcoming **Events** at Valley of Baltimore Fall 2011

Wed, Sept 7th	Lodge of Perfection Dinner—Open*
Wed, Sept 14th	Chapter of Rose Croix Dinner—Open*
Sat, Sept 17th	Honors Day (see details below)
Wed, Sept 21st	Council of Kadosh Dinner—Open*
Wed, Sept 28th	Chesapeake Consistory Dinner—Open*
Wed, Oct 5th	Fall Class Orientation—6:30pm Refreshments to follow
Sun, Oct 9th	Basket Bingo—See Page 14
Wed, Oct 12th	Feast of Tishri—Lodge of Perfection**
Wed, Oct 19th	Lodge of Perfection—6:30pm Confer 4th & 5th Degrees—7pm
Sun, Oct 23rd	Annual Bull Roast—2 to 6pm
Wed, Oct 26th	Lodge of Perfection—6:30pm Confer 11th & 13th Degrees—7pm

Sun, Oct 30th	Memorial Service—Rose Croix—3pm
Wed, Nov 2nd	Lodge of Perfection—6:30pm Confer 14th Degree—7pm
Sat, Nov 5th	Wine Tasting
Sun, Nov 6th	Ring Ceremony—Lodge of Perfection Candidates Assemble at 1:30pm, Ceremony at 2pm
Wed, Nov 9th	Lodge of Perfection—6:30pm Confer 18th & 20th Degrees—7pm
Sat, Nov 12th	Reunion Day Confer 21st, 30th & 32nd Degrees Coffee & Donuts in Banquet Hall—7am Opening Ceremony—8am
Sun, Dec 11th	Annual Christmas Program, Free Admission Light Refreshments to follow

* Open dinners begin at 6:30pm and are open to all at a cost of \$15.00. Please RSVP to the office one week before.

** Feast of Tishri is an open ceremony with dinner at a cost of \$20.00. Please RSVP to the office if you are attending.

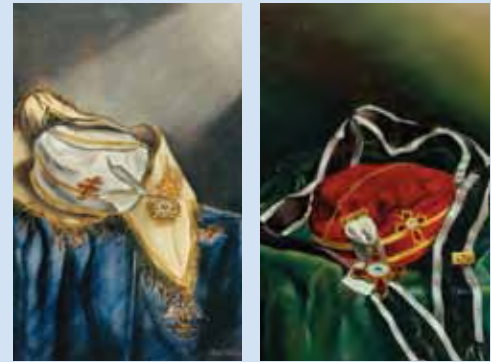


ROSE CROIX MEMORIAL CEREMONY

for our Departed Brethren

Ceremony will be held on Sunday, October 30th, 2011 beginning at 3pm.

Refreshments will be provided in the Banquet Hall immediately following the ceremony.



HELP WANTED

The Scottish Rite Valley of Baltimore is busy—very busy—and needs a little help.

We continue to add degrees to our spring and fall classes, offering our membership "Further Light in Masonry." With these additions, we need to extend our support staff:

WARDROBE ROOM

LIGHTING

SOUND WORK

STAGE WORK—PROPERTY ROOM

SINGERS

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WHAT IS THE FEAST OF TISHRI?

Deut. 16:13—Thou shalt observe the feast of tabernacles after thou hast gathered in thy corn and wine.

The Feast of Tabernacles also commemorates the ceremonies of the completion and dedication of King Solomon's Temple, which began in the year 2992 A.L.*, and finished in a little more than seven years. Six months after its completion, in the month of Tishri—the seventh month of the Jewish calendar—the Temple was dedicated with reverential ceremonies to the one Living and True God. That these ceremonies would reach the highest religious significance, King Solomon postponed the dedication until the Feast of Tabernacles, the 15th day of Tishri, a day he well knew would bring every zealous Israelite to Jerusalem.

The Supreme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States has proclaimed the Feast

of Tabernacles as the Feast Day of the Lodge of Perfection.

As did the Israelites of old and the New England Pilgrims, Scottish Rite Freemasons gather to acknowledge the mercies which God has poured upon them with lavish hand. It is a time of rejoicing, yet a time to pay humble adoration to the Great Architect of the Universe, without whom there would be no harvest.

**Anno Lucius—Freemasonry adds 4,000 years to our current calendar year (example: 2011 becomes 6011 A.L.).*

After the Ceremony, refreshments will be served in the Banquet Hall and each attendee will receive a bag of fresh fruit.

Date: October 12th, 7pm

Cost: \$20.00 per person, free for children under 12

Please RSVP to the Office by

October 3rd, 2011 | 410-243-3200



**Sunday, October 23rd, 2011
2:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.**

**Scottish Rite Masonic Center
3800 North Charles Street
Baltimore, MD 21218**

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Sunday, October 9, 2011

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**Doors open at 12:45 PM
Early Bird Game at 1:45 PM**

Food, raffles, 50-50!

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**PLEASE RETURN THIS PORTION WITH YOUR CHECK
Make Checks Payable to: Scottish Rite Building Fund**

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In the Pipeline

UNLESS YOU LIVE UNDER THE INFAMOUS ROCK, you have heard about the several hundred men in the “pipeline” to become new Master Masons in Maryland. What a wonderful problem it has created! With so many new members, so many new brothers, every lodge seems to be growing. Not so long ago, we were worrying about how to keep lodges active without new members.

Now, we ask ourselves, “How do we keep these new men as active Masons? How do we keep them from getting bored and dropping out?” The backbone of our entire Fraternity is the Blue Lodge. Everything starts and revolves around the Blue Lodge. Think about it: without a current Blue Lodge dues card, you can’t participate in any lodge or collateral body. This is where the collateral bodies can help. They can provide many avenues to pique the interest of men who may tire of sitting on

the sidelines. The Scottish Rite, York Rite, Shrine and Tall Cedars all have much to offer these members.

The Scottish Rite, often called “The University of Freemasonry,” takes the degrees of Masonry and expands the foundation laid out in the first three degrees. For those seeking a better understanding of what the symbolism and the philosophies of the degrees represent, the Master Craftsman Program is an excellent source. This in-depth program was developed by the Supreme Council and can be taken as a self-study program or in a group session. Exams are taken, graded and returned to the participant, and upon completion, a certificate and pin are presented during a ceremony at the Scottish Rite. This program has become so popular and has so many successful completions that an all-new Master Craftsman II course is now available.

If written study is not your preferred way of understanding or participating, there are dozens of other ways you can get involved. Every collateral body offers so much for anyone who seeks further light.

There are 29 degrees with hundreds of parts, both speaking and non-speaking, including robing, stage lights, sound, property, ushers, greeters and the Knights of St. Andrew. This is an elite group of men who serve as color guard, honor guard, and escorts and are “out front” most of the time. The Scottish Rite is a family organization where everyone is welcome and several clubs are available to all.

The “back bone” of our Fraternity has many limbs for your use. Make use of them, exercise them, and the entire organization will become a stronger, healthier body.



MUSIC TRIVIA: Name that Song

Be the first to call the Scottish Rite Office (410-243-3200) with the NAME, ARTIST AND YEAR of the following song and win lunch for 2 with the Rite Cheer Club on Thursday.

*I know a man as rich as a king
Still he won't give his brother a thing
If he gets to Heaven someday, I guess
He'll be surprised when he only gets*

*A rusty old halo, a skinny white cloud
Second-hand wings full of patches
And a robe so woolly, it scratches*

*While you're on Earth you should
Shine like a star and brighten
Up the corner wherever you are
Doing each day the best you can do
That way you're sure they'll never hand you*

*A rusty old halo, a skinny white cloud
Second-hand wings full of patches
And a robe so woolly, it scratches.*



Honors Day Schedule

September 17, 2011

10am	Ladies Program begins (Bus leaves) Trip to Ladew Topiary Gardens Tour of the gardens & house Lunch included \$35 per lady, space is limited RSVP to office: 410-243-3200
10:45–11:45am	Light refreshments served in Banquet Hall
11:45am	33° cast and supporting staff report to Director of Work Office and sign in.
12–12:45pm	Registration of 33° candidates
1pm–2:30pm	Conferral of the 33° <i>(Admission is for 33° Scottish Rite Masons only, must present dues card at the door to enter. Dress is tuxedo and white 33° cap.)</i>
2pm	Ladies Program ends (Bus returns)
2:15pm	32°, KCCH Investiture cast report to Director of Work Office and sign in.
2:30–3:15pm	Registration of 32°, KCCH Candidates Set stage and floor for KCCH Investiture

3:30–4:45pm	Open conferral of the Investiture of the 32°, KCCH Capping Ceremony to follow
5:15–6:15pm	Recess/Pictures
6–7pm	Social Hour—Hors d’oeuvres
7–8:30pm	Honors Banquet, reservation required* \$75.00 per person <i>Please RSVP to Office at 410-243-3200 by September 7th</i> MENU <i>Shrimp Bisque in French Bread Bowl</i> <i>Spinach Salad—Spring</i> <i>4 oz. Filet Mignon & 6 oz. Filet of Halibut seared in an Asian Glaze</i> <i>Dessert</i> <i>Cash Bar</i>
8pm–11pm	Music and Dancing

*1 Honors Banquet ticket included in Registration fee of new Honormen. No tickets sold or money taken at door.



Inspector General Honorary, 33°



ALL SCOTTISH RITE JURISDICTIONS nominate a select few members to receive the 33rd Degree, Inspector General Honorary, in recognition of outstanding service to the Rite, or in public life, to the principles taught in the degrees. In the Southern Jurisdiction, the Supreme Council chooses 33rd Degree mem-

bers from among those who have previously received the rank and decoration of Knight Commander Court of Honour. The KCCH is bestowed in a Ceremonial of Investiture in recognition of outstanding service to the Rite, or in public life, to the principles taught in the degrees.

33°, INSPECTOR GENERAL HONORARY—2011 HONOREES

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Knight Commander of the Court of Honour, KCCH



THE SCOTTISH RITE CONFERS a number of honors upon members who have contributed extraordinary service to the Rite, to Masonry in general, and to the world at large. The first of these is the Rank and Decoration of a Knight Commander of the Court of Honour (KCCH), which may be conferred af-

ter a minimum of 46 months of membership (usually much longer) and is strictly limited in numbers. A KCCH may, after 46 months at that rank (but usually longer), receive the 33rd Degree, Inspector General Honorary. This award is even more limited in numbers than the KCCH.

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The Clinic Corner

By: Lisa McGrain, M.S., CCC-SLP

Speech-Language Pathologist, Hilgenberg Scottish Rite Childhood Speech and Language Center

HELLO AGAIN from the Scottish Rite Childhood Speech and Language Center! I hope everyone had an enjoyable and relaxing summer. It's that time of year again and the therapists and staff at the clinic are getting back into the school routine.

We just re-established our contract with The Cathedral School of Mary Our Queen and will be providing services to the students three days per week throughout the 2011–2012 school year. In addition, speech and language screenings are scheduled and will be completed in the upcoming months. We offer our services to the private schools in our surrounding neighborhood. Teachers and parents can make a request for screenings based on any speech or language concerns they may have regarding their children. Many of these children who are eligible begin therapy at the Scottish Rite clinic.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to the newest member of the Scottish Rite Clinic family—Melissa Sechler. Melissa is a graduate student at Towson University and she is also a Brockman Fellowship recipient. Melissa began interning with us in the fall and will continue to work with the clients and families at the clinic throughout the semester. She has been a wonderful addition to our center and we thank her for all of her hard work and creative therapy ideas!

As always, the Scottish Rite Woman's Club has been extremely generous and continues to give us the opportunity to purchase new items for the children and updated technology to help the staff run our center smoothly and efficiently. This year, they graciously provided us with many new toys and workbooks to



use with the children at our center. We also may use their donation to attend a speech-language pathology convention sponsored by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association in San Diego, California in November. We thank them for their continued support of our profession!

In an effort to promote our clinic in the surrounding community and inform the public of the services we provide, we recently placed advertisements for our center in the *Frederick News-Post*. In response to these ads, we have scheduled three comprehensive language evaluations! If you know of anyone who may benefit from a speech or language assessment, please contact us at 410-243-3800 for more information. Feel free to stop by and visit us in the clinic at any time!





Support your Scottish Rite Speech & Language Center

The Maryland Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation is a tax exempt 501(c)(3) charitable organization whose sole function is to support the Hilgenberg RiteCare Childhood Speech & Language Center.

The average cost to tutor a child for one year is approximately \$5,000. Typically, children require an average of two years of tutoring. Your tax-exempt contribution can make a real difference in these children's lives.

For more information, please contact the Scottish Rite Office at 410-243-3200.

Or send a check directly, payable to:

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I wish to help a language-disabled child with this enclosed tax-deductible contribution to the **Maryland Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation, Inc. (MSRCF, INC.)**

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I have never applied for any of the Scottish Rite Degrees, and I now respectfully petition to receive the degrees, from the fourth to the thirty-second inclusive, promising always to bear true faith and allegiance to the Supreme Council of the Thirty-Third Degree of the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America. (Note: If applicant has previously applied for any of the degrees, explain fully as to date, place and to what bodies such application was made.)

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SCOTTISH RITE CARIBBEAN CRUISE February 22, 2012

Join the Deputy to the Supreme Council Marlin L. Mills & Lady Brenda with the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation for our fundraising cruise.

Cruise on the brand new Celebrity Silhouette "The Largest Ship Afloat"
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DAY	PORT	ARRIVE	DEPART
Wednesday, Feb 22	Cape Liberty, New Jersey	---	5pm
Thursday, Feb 23	At Sea	---	---
Friday, Feb 24	At Sea	--	--
Saturday, Feb 25	Labadee, Haiti	9am	4pm
Sunday, Feb 26	San Juan, Puerto Rico	2pm	10pm
Monday, Feb 27	Philipsburg, St. Maarten	9am	6pm
Tuesday, Feb 28	St. Johns, Antigua	8am	5pm
Wednesday, Feb 29	St. Croix, US Virgin Islands	8am	5pm
Thursday, Mar 1	Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas	8am	5pm
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