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## A MESSAGE FROM Ill. Marlin L. Mills, 33°

### S.G.I.G.'S MESSAGE

I hope each of you have had a very nice summer. By the time you receive this, the summer of 2012 will be history and we will be resuming our labors. Summer was very busy in Maryland. Every Valley had activities that kept them working. Cumberland Knights of Saint Andrew had several engagements as they continued to be the premier unit for the Scottish Rite. The Frederick First Thursday Club continues to amaze with outstanding attendance for their breakfast meetings. Salisbury is working on their degrees and the possibility of a new Consistory may be closer than ever before. A new Mid-Shore Scottish Rite club is off to a good start and their summer picnic was well attended. The food was great. Why not join and enjoy the fellowship? Baltimore never knew summer was here except for the temperature. They had some sort of activity every single day. The entire outside of the Temple has been washed down and every single mortar joint has been ground out and repointed. They have repaired several broken pipes in the rear parking lot and repaved and restriped the entire area. Painting has taken place everywhere: in the ladies room, hallways, stairwells, library and clinic. You will be amazed at the work that has taken place. Be sure to check out the progress photographs on your next visit.

The Speech and Language pathologists were invited to attend the Rite Care Conference in Dallas, Texas, and give a presentation on the use of the Apple iPad and the children it has benefited (see related article).

Members of the Baltimore Scottish Rite and those of the York Rite bodies have worked long and hard to present a joint York Rite/Scottish Rite degree reunion and their efforts are about to come to fruition. This is a first in almost 50 years. It is history in the making. As of this writing, we



have almost 50 candidates. I want to personally say thank you to each person who had anything to do with this collective effort. I also want to congratulate and thank each of the candidates. I sincerely hope that you will explore each of these great organizations and attend their meetings and activities as often as you can. Find something you like and get involved if you have the time. Family first always, but if you do have the time, become active in the Scottish Rite. You and your family will be glad you did. Excitement about the fall reunion aside, it is easy to say learning is the most important part of the class, but the variety of the degrees, the unique insight into new and old ideas and the constant desire for more knowledge should never leave you nor should the desire to constantly improve oneself. I hope this 2012 fall reunion will combine the best of both bodies as we share ideas into new ways of doing things for our members. I can feel the excitement already as we get closer and make our plans for 2013.

Here's to an outstanding reunion and to each of you! Thanks for belonging to the Rite. May our Supreme Architect continue to bless all of us and the United States of America.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

✚ Ill. Marlin L. Mills, 33°  
Sovereign Grand Inspector General  
in Maryland

## "A Second Chance"

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



I WAS RAISED IN 1946 and during the several years that followed, I was able to be very active in various amounts of degree work within the Masonic Fraternity. I, as did a number of my fellow sojourners, believed that the lessons taught by the degree work would make better men of us. I still hold that basic idea. However, during the latter years, our membership has been decreasing. Although it is up to each MASON to use his own mind and to study to improve himself in Masonry, there must be something that many of us did not do quite as well as we should to allow this dramatic drop in membership. Many times it appeared as though we were operating degree factories, rather than teaching brotherhood. I received my Scottish Rite degrees in 1973 in a class of over 700 members. It is amazing to note how many of those brothers have been very active Masons. I would suspect about the same percentage as any other class. I have participated in several

York Rite Classes of more than 100 brothers. Yes, it has been expedience in getting the job accomplished, but has it really given us a chance to practice brotherhood. In some of those early years, there were several brothers available for many parts. I do remember that I learned the Orators part in the 14th degree and did not actually confer it for ten years.

However, having said all this, I believe that with the influx in membership, we have been given a "SECOND CHANCE." We often refer to the Masonic Fraternity. Many times we only treat our organization as an association and not as a "FRATERNITY." Fraternity means BROTHERHOOD. We must start to promote Brotherly Love if we hope to retain all of the members that we hope to gain. Each new member must have a place in our fraternal society. He must have that something that keeps him wanting to associate with his fellow Masons. If a lodge raises thirty new men in a year, they must find thirty ways to keep those brothers happy in the lodge. They cannot all become Master, so there must be other ways to keep them busy. The Scottish Rite, The York Rite, The Shrine, The Eastern Star, and the Youth Groups all offer something to keep our brothers interested. As I have said before, only in Maryland do we have the great cooperation and assistance among the various different Masonic groups. We need to

help one another and remember, it never hurts to shake hands and say hello. It is amazing how much enjoyment you can get from a little bit of small talk, or how a small conversation today can grow into a wonderful friendship tomorrow. I hope to be able to greet each of you at our Scottish Rite meetings. It will be great if you help me to be a better member of our fraternity by grabbing my hand and saying why don't you practice what you preach. Let's make this fall class one of the happiest that we have ever seen. Please join the SGIG, The Grand Master, The York Rite Presiding Officers and ME in making this a great fall. I am counting on your help and know that we will be the most enthusiastic group of Masons in the whole world.

Yes Brothers, we have been given a second chance to improve our Fraternal Relations with our new members. Thanks to the efforts of our Grand Lodge, The Joint Scottish/York Rite Class, and the ability to try one more time to be good brothers. How will you handle this "SECOND CHANCE"? Let us make each Masonic meeting place in the jurisdiction of Maryland a true Temple of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.

## Masonic Tradition

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



THE SCOTTISH RITE WAS ORGANIZED ON THE CONTINENT OF EUROPE in about 1762. Masonic tradition maintains that Lodges of the Rite transmitted from France to the West Indies to the American mainland. The first Supreme Council opened in Charlestown, South Carolina on May 31,

1801 and later relocated to Washington, D.C., in a building we refer to as the House of the Temple. The membership of the Scottish Rite is composed of Master Masons to whom the symbolic degrees have brought inspiration, energy and a love for the principles of freemasonry that caused them to seek new and larger areas of service and greater knowledge of that primary truth which Masonry has given the world. The Scottish Rite degrees are usually one act plays staged with costume, scenery, special effects and full rigging of any production. Theater is the oldest means of teaching. Freemasonry borrows the techniques of theater to make

its lessons more impressive and to aid the candidate in forming the beginning of what is hoped will be a long pattern of study and thought. Most of the degrees are set in ancient Israel because it is from the legends surrounding King Solomon's temple that Masonry takes many of its practices and lessons. Ancient Egypt and Medieval Europe also serve as degree settings. The Scottish Rite Centers for Childhood Language Disorders is the principle charity supported by the Scottish Rite and currently supports 168 of these clinics. Two of these clinics are in Maryland, one in Baltimore and the other in Cumberland.



## Joint Scottish Rite - York Rite Fall Class of 2012

Honoring — MWPGM Stephen J. Ponzillo, Jr., 33°, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, Most Illustrious Past Grand Master of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters and Right Eminent Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar in Maryland.



## Meredith Chapter of Rose Croix

By: Hon. Dennis Hamlet, 32°— KCCH



WITH THE UPCOMING MEMORIAL SERVICE at 2 P.M. on Sunday, October 28th, we now pause to reflect on two of the Masonic symbols as illuminated by Rex R. Hutchins in his book, "A Bridge to Light."

The first is the red rose. In Masonry, his simple flower symbolizes immortality. According to Manley P. Hall, in his writings, "The Adepts," 1791 proved to be a sad year for the world of music and high culture of the period. A relatively young man died, and was buried in the black dress of the Masonic Brotherhood. Since the estate left to his widow and children consisted of only 60 florins (\$1,200 in today's dollars), his

Masonic Lodge published his last cantata to benefit his family. A heavy thunderstorm disrupted the funeral, so there is no record of the location of his grave. It is believed that he was buried in a pauper's field. Yet today, more than 200 years later, the music of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart reverberates from concert halls throughout the world.

The second is the cross. According to Dr. Hutchins, this is the statement of infinity—"a universe without bounds, time extending without limit before and behind us." This profound concept is perhaps what captured the imagination of another Mason of yesteryear. According to Manley P. Hall, a Lodge of Sorrow was held in this man's memory, in November of the year 1778. His heart, which was removed at the time of his embalming, was preserved in a silver case. Seventy years after his death, his sarcophagus in the Pantheon was opened, so that his heart could

be placed with the rest of his remains. Surprisingly enough, it was found empty. Nevertheless, the writings of Francois-Marie Arouet (better known to us as Voltaire), on freedom of religion, freedom of expression, free trade and separation of church and state, have opened for humankind infinite possibilities for creative thought and action.

Thus we, as Masons, have embraced two very simple symbols—the red rose and the cross, and allowed them to take on meaning far beyond what we as mere mortals might initially perceive. In Masonic literature (what Manley P. Hall describes as "...the esoteric teachings of the Mysteries"), they symbolize something much more profound: immortality and infinity.

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## Albert Pike Lodge of Perfection

By: Bro. Rob Maxson, 32°



OVER THE PAST SEVERAL MONTHS, I have been delving in to Morals and Dogma in an effort to better understand our Rite, our Degrees and to hopefully glean some kernel of philosophical knowledge I can apply to my own life as I struggle to improve myself in Masonry. The more I read about our Advanced Degrees, the more I see how the symbolic nature of the Perfect degrees is little more than an expansion of the basic life lessons learned in our first introduction to the Lodge.

I seem to keep coming back to a lesson of the Fellowcraft degree. While still on the portico we learned that as symbolic Masons are to keep a tongue of good report, a lesson to which was eluded as the fifth point, a degree later. Pike said, "Step by step men must advance toward Perfection; and each Masonic Degree is meant to be one of those steps. Each is a development of a particular duty; and in the present you are taught...to be to your brethren an example of virtue..." (M&D Pg 137-138). I have taken this lesson to mean the same as my mother use to say (and many of your mothers probably said, too), if you have nothing nice to say, don't say anything. We are Masons, but we are also men. Although we strive towards virtuous Perfection, no Brother among us has yet been perfected. Within our own Lodge, our own Rite, our

own Brotherhood, some of us do engage in petty piques and quarrels, quarrels often preceded by a simple verbal slight. Brothers, ours is a fraternity built on a rock and within the walls of our Temples and without, we are one unbroken band. I implore every brother Mason, before you allow some ill-tempered scorn to fall from your lips or you engage in some petty scuttlebutt, pause a moment and reflect on the lessons of Freemasonry. And if perchance, in a moment of human fault another speaks evil of the good name of a Brother, whisper good council (when the brother is ready to receive it), and in the moment take no umbrage. If need be, actively engage the motto inscribed on our Coat of Arms, "Audi, Vide, Tace" By the way, that means "hear, see, be silent."

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## Maryland Council of Kadosh

By: Hon. Thomas A. Marraffa, Jr., 32°— KCCH



**FALL IS HERE.** We have started to gear up for our joint Degree work with our Companions from the York Rite. This will be one of the busiest fall classes ever. We will be offering a parallel path to Further Light in Masonry.

This said, now would be a great opportunity for the new members who would like to participate as Cast or Crew. There are many parts to fill so please join in and help. If we all

took a small part and learned it well. The better job we could present to the class.

If any of new men want to join in and help with Camp Guard there is still time before the fall Reunion class on November 3rd. It is a small but important part to perform.

Contact the Scottish Rite Office @ 410.243.3200 or myself. We want to make this Fall Joint Reunion a big success.

### FALL REHEARSAL DATES 2012

4th Degree – Monday, September 24th

11th Degree – Monday, October 1st

Feast of Tishri – Monday, October 8th

14th Degree – Tuesday, October 9th

18th Degree – Thursday, October 11th

20th Degree – Tuesday, October 23rd

21st Degree – Thursday, October 25th

30th Degree – Monday, October 29th

32nd + Camp Guard – Tuesday, October 30th

Cast – Rehearsals begin promptly at 7pm, please report to the Director of Work's office and sign in prior to this time.

Support Staff – Please report by 6:30pm.



**Sunday, October 14th, 2012  
2:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.**

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## Brockman Fellowship Awards for 2012

By: Tom Vance, 33°, Chairman – Scottish Rite Educational Committee



colleges and universities who are preparing 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 Center for Speech and Language Disorders. This Fellowship has been awarded to more than 75 students since it was established in 1982.

ON MAY 17, 2012 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 in Maryland

This year, the committee interviewed eight candidates from Loyola University, University of Maryland and Towson University. Awards totaling \$18,000 were made to Randi Pomycala and Heidi Schullenbarger from Loyola University, Sarah Catley, Jessica

Aaron and Elisa Pitchon from Towson University and Sarah Zsak from University of Maryland. The committee is pleased to announce The Brockman fellows for 2012.

This year's committee included Ill. Marlin L. Mills, 33°, Sovereign Grand Inspector General, Ill. John T. Vance, III, 33°, Committee Chair, Ill. E. Ray Leppo, Jr., 33°, Ill. Hans R. Wilhelmsen, 33°, Ill. S. Brent Morris, 33°, G.C., Ill. Charles W. Ridgeway, 33°, Ill. Frederick A. Spicer, 33°, Hon. Charles F. Reid, III, 32°, KCCH, and Ms. Christine Wandishin, Hilgenberg Childhood Center Director.



Heidi Schullenbarger



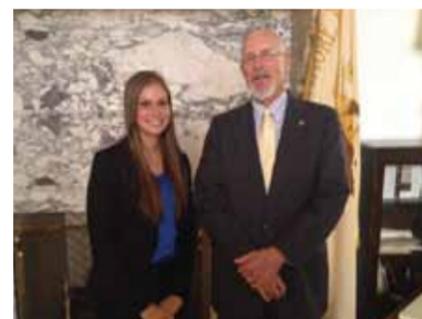
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Elisa Pitchon

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE BROCKMAN FELLOWSHIP AWARD WINNERS FOR 2012.

## Cumberland Scottish Rite

September 2012

MEMBERS OF THE KCCH of Cumberland and their ladies met recently for an afternoon luncheon. The meeting was a reorganization program aimed at reestablishing the mentoring program for those Masons who will be joining the Valley of Cumberland Scottish Rite in the future. Venerable Master Kenneth Wilson, 32° KCCH,

presented his own personal experiences with mentors when he joined his local Lodge and how it lead him to joining and participating in other Masonic programs. He made handouts for those attending and told of his communication with top executives throughout the United States in the mentoring field. The group will continue to

meet and study the mentoring concept and start using it with the next Scottish Rite Class. The Valley of Cumberland will hold its One Day Class on October 20, 2012, at the Masonic Temple in Cumberland. The candidates will report at 7:30 AM and the program will begin at 9:00AM to 4:00PM.



Pictured L to R: Back Row: (all are 32°, KCCH) Curt Haines, Bud Miles, Ken Wilson, Mark Weatherholt, Aaron Lea, Jamey Hill, and Clint Snyder. Front Row: (all are 33°) Paul Shircliff, Personal Representative, Charles Hout, Assisstant Personal Representative, and Jerome Robinette, Secretary/ Registrar.

## Valley of Frederick

By: Ill. William Eisentrout, 33°— Personal Representative of the Valley of Frederick



can to assist them in becoming involved in the Scottish Rite.

Our Feast of Tishri is coming up in October, please make a special effort to attend. By now the membership of the Valley of Frederick has received our newsletter "The Rite Moment." Enjoy it and mark the dates for the fall on your calendars.

The first Thursday of the month, we have a breakfast at Barbara Fritchie's Restaurant that is going well with great speakers and good fellowship. All Masons are invited to this breakfast; it is a perfect meeting to bring

someone interested in joining the Scottish Rite.

Let us continue to visit, aid and assist our Brothers who need our help. Your attendance is appreciated at all our meetings. Please make every effort to attend.



## A Point Within a Circle

By: Charles Matulewicz, 32°



**I LOVE THESE SCOTTISH RITE DEGREES**, particularly when they give us pause and bring our minds back to the lessons that we have learned in our Blue Lodge. Consider the charge of the Twelfth degree when it refers to the North Star:

“The North Star, always fixed and immovable for us, represents the point in the center of the circle, or the Deity in the center of the universe.”

To me this evokes thoughts of the Circumpunct from our first degree. The lecture where we tie the point within the circle to ourselves and the circle as that boundary line beyond which our passions and passions should not extend. I think of the Holy Saints John as the perpendicular lines bordering this moral framework. Our Sts. John are in this case not only the summer and Winter Solstices of the year but also the prophetic precursor of Jesus for the Christians, in the case of the Baptist but also the Author of Revelation in the part

of Evangelist. Beginning and endings, precursors and authors of the Christian epoch, there is a great deal going on with this symbol that appears in every regular and well-governed lodge. But this, like all symbols in our system, was selected to imprint on the mind wise and serious truths; what does this one teach us?

There are some Masonic authors that use the circumpunct as an astrological key to explain the passage of the astrological cycle, I don't deny that cultures of the past have used this symbol in this way... but rather than unseen esoteric knowledge passing through our ritual with us unaware, I believe that this is an esoteric symbol selected to teach a specific lesson.

In our twelfth degree we have a point within a circle representing the representing the Supreme Architects eternal and infinite nature. The point being our Creator eternal in his nature, and the circle which surrounds him being of infinite circumference knowing no boundaries in space and time.

When I take both of the lessons together I take heart that the Creator, is the eternal point from which all creation emanates infinitely throughout space and time. This gives me hope in the rational laws of the universe and the unfathomable continuity of time that links me to all that have come before

and all that will be coming after. This brings me solace in these uncertain times. But it also evokes something from my Blue Lodge, our lessons from the Saints John. I believe that using the lessons of the North Star from the Rite I can frame my reaction to events within my life into the grand scheme of the universe... and by using the lessons of the circumpunct I can weigh my reaction. By considering this boundary line, which it represents, I can temper my reaction by remembering that there is a line beyond which a gentleman should never suffer his ire or anger to take him beyond. So this single point in a degree gives me a framework to understand that the events of the day are, in the big picture, not so very important and evokes a lesson from the Blue Lodge that gives me a tool to temper my reaction to my fellow man. Each one of our degrees at the Rite is a veil of allegory, which we must make a conscious effort to internalize and consider. Come out to the Rite, read some Masonic history, and go to your Blue Lodge, Brothers have been working to spread light to us from time immemorial it is up to us to gather these tools up and use them to build our Moral and Masonic edifice. See you in the Classroom Brothers.

## Arundel Scottish Rite Club

By: Hon. Malcolm E. Carrick, 32°—KCCH



**OUR CLUB IS ENJOYING MEMBERSHIP GROWTH** since being chartered this past April. As reported before, the first meeting was well attended and the officers were elected and installed.

The second meeting was held August 19th at Odenton Lodge, with a great turn out of Scottish Rite brethren and their ladies. A delicious dinner was served by the members of Odenton Chapter #29 - Order of the

Eastern Star. The entertainment for the evening was Ed Lanehart, singer and entertainer.

Our next meeting will be held on Sunday, November 18th, 2012, dinner will be served at 5pm. Entertainment will be Mike Surratt, keyboardist. Football fans need not worry; the game with the Steelers is at 8:20pm in Pittsburg. There will be plenty of time to get home.

We will be meeting at the Odenton Masonic Lodge for the foreseeable future, so give a call (410-833-8811) or make a reservation to attend. All Scottish Rite Masons, wives/significant others and friends are welcome.

P.S. We wish our best to Hon. Bud Ramsey, 32°, KCCH, President of the Conowingo Scottish Rite Club. Our prayers are with him during this traumatic time.

## BROTHERS CALLED FROM LABOR TO ETERNAL REST

As of February 2, 2012

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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.D.\*, 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 on 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 10th, 7pm  
Cost: \$20.00 per person, free for children under 12  
Please RSVP to the Office by  
October 3rd, 2012 | 410-243-3200

## A MESSAGE TO ALL SCOTTISH RITE MASONS

We are happy to announce that most, if not all, of the emergency repairs to the exterior of the Scottish Rite Temple, are just about complete. The summer months have been kind to us and the contractor doing the work on the exterior of the Temple was able to work rapidly using a very large crew of workers. Some days the scaffolding looked like an ant colony with its busy workers at various levels making the much needed repairs. That's the good news.

When we began this project we knew that it would cost a considerable sum of money to make the necessary repairs to the exterior of the Temple. At that time there was not half enough in the Scottish Rite Holding Company's repair and renovation account. However, the condition of the exterior of the Temple was such that the Holding Company voted to

proceed with the renovations needed and to engage in a fundraising project to pay for the rest of the repairs.

In the meantime, the funds needed to pay the contractor would be borrowed from the investments of the Scottish Rite. This would save us a lot of interest money and would allow us to literally pay the contractor as each phase of the repairs was completed. By working out this arrangement with the contractor, we were able to negotiate the best price for the repairs and also immediately begin the repairs during the last few weeks in May.

Now that the work is close to completion, we must concentrate on raising the money to replace what we have used from the investment account. This will be done through the Fundraising Campaign, which officially

began on September 1st. It is hoped that every Scottish Rite Mason who receives this message will respond to this urgent need. Thanks to all who have already made donations.

We are planning a number of fellowship fundraising endeavors to help with the expenses. However, we are counting on our membership to contribute heavily towards this Emergency Repair Fund. Your individual contribution will be greatly appreciated and will be helpful in defraying cost of the emergency repairs. Please note that all contributions are now 100% tax deductible due to our 501(c3) classification.

You are invited to be a part of the future of Scottish Rite Masonry in Maryland by helping to preserve the Scottish Rite Temple for future generations. Thank you for your consideration and support!

 Ill. E. Ray Leppo, Jr., 33°  
Personal Rep. of The S.:G.:I.:G.  
In the Valley of Baltimore



 Leslie J. Metcalf, Sr.  
Insp.: Genl.: Hon.:  


## SCOTTISH RITE WOMAN'S CLUB

By: Sharon Johnston, Treasurer

After what seemed like an endless HOT summer, we look forward to fall with its many changes and cooler weather. It is with sadness that I have to report the passing of one of our Charter Members, Ruth V. Hall, wife of the late Herbert F. Hull, Jr, 33°. Ruth was an active member who was Membership Chairman at one time and was instrumental in bringing in several of our present members. The Hilgenberg Scottish Rite Childhood Speech and Language Center and the Woman's Club will miss Ruth and all the work that she did; our deepest sympathy to her son and family.

The Scottish Rite Woman's Club is looking forward to the annual Bull and Oyster on Sunday, October 14th where we will be having a Cake Walk and selling our new Cook Book with recipes for the upcoming holidays. Again, if you are not a member, you are missing out on the wonderful work we do for the Clinic. Membership Chairperson is Mary Lou Hooper, 410-879-1888.

"A Smile Is Contagious; Be A Carrier."

## Tens for the Temple

By: Leslie G. Metcalf, Sr. 33°



**YOUR HELP IS NEEDED FOR THE EMERGENCY REPAIRS OF THE SCOTTISH RITE TEMPLE AT 3800 NORTH CHARLES STREET IN BALTIMORE CITY.** We need to raise the necessary funds to make the temple water proof thus preserving the building for future generation of Scottish Rite Masons!

Your personal assistance is needed if we are to be successful with this fundraising effort!

"TENS FOR THE TEMPLE" is just one phase of the major fundraising program which is going to be held by the Scottish Rite beginning September 1, 2012 and lasting until August 31, 2013. In the State of Maryland we have approximately 4,850 members. If each member were to donate one hundred dollars (\$100.00) to this emergency fund, we could easily raise \$485,000. This is how easy it really is.

If each Scottish Rite Mason were to put a \$10 bill aside each month for ten months that would equal \$100. This would not be a burden on anyone

and would be a way in which every Scottish Rite Mason could participate in this emergency fundraising effort. If you have a limited income, this could be a way in which you can participate in this program.

However, if you are able to make a substantial donation now, it would be greatly appreciated and would help us pay the contractors as the work on the temple progresses and is completed.

During the next year we will be having many fundraising events in order to obtain the funds needed for the repair of the exterior of the Temple. It is hoped that every Scottish Rite Mason in Maryland will respond to this need and thus share the burden of preserving our Temple. Please remember that we will not be using the services of any fundraising organization but will be doing all of the work ourselves to raise the funds needed for this emergency program.

**IF WE ALL WORK TOGETHER, WE CAN ACHIEVE OUR GOAL TO RAISE THE NEEDED FUNDS FOR THE PRESERVATION OF OUR SCOTTISH RITE TEMPLE.**

By the time you receive this communication, most if not all of the work on the exterior of the Temple will have been completed. All that we have to do is pay the contractor for a job well done.



## A Word from Dr. Albert G. Mackey, 33°

By: Albert G. Mackey, 33°

March 12, 1807 – June 20, 1881



### THE RITE OF INVESTITURE

The rite of investiture, called, in the colloquially technical language of the order, the ceremony of clothing, brings us at once to the consideration of that well-known symbol of Freemasonry, the LAMB-SKIN APRON. This rite of investiture, or the placing upon the aspirant some garment, as an indication of his appropriate preparation for the ceremonies in which he was about to engage, prevailed in all the ancient initiations. A few of them only it will be requisite to consider. Thus in the Levitical economy of the Israelites the priests always wore the abnet, or linen apron, or girdle, as a part of the investiture of the priesthood. This, with the other garments, was to be worn, as the text expresses it, "for glory and for beauty," or, as it has been explained by a learned commentator, "as emblematical of that holiness and purity

which ever characterize the divine nature, and the worship which is worthy of him." In the Persian Mysteries of Mithras, the candidate, having first received light, was invested with a girdle, a crown or mitre, a purple tunic, and, lastly, a white apron. In the initiations practiced in Hindostan, in the ceremony of investiture was substituted the sash, or sacred zennaar, consisting of a cord, composed of ninethreads twisted into a knot at the end, and hanging from the left shoulder to the right hip. This was, perhaps, the type of the masonic scarf, which is, or ought to be, always worn in the same position. The Jewish sect of the Essenes, who approached nearer than any other secret institution of antiquity to Freemasonry in their organization, always invested their novices with a white robe. And, lastly, in the Scandinavian rites, where the military genius of the people had introduced a warlike species of initiation, instead of the apron we find the candidate receiving a white shield, which was, however, always presented with the accompaniment of some symbolic instruction, not very dissimilar to that which is connected with the masonic apron. In all these modes of investiture, no matter what was the material or the form, the symbolic signification intended to be conveyed was

that of purity. And hence, in Freemasonry, the same symbolism is communicated by the apron, which, because it is the first gift which the aspirant receives,—the first symbol in which he is instructed,—has been called the "badge of a mason." And most appropriately has it been so called; for, whatever may be the future advancement of the candidate in the "Royal Art," into whatever deeper arcana his devotion to the mystic institution or his thirst for knowledge may carry him, with the apron—his first investiture—he never parts. Changing, perhaps, its form and its decorations, and conveying at each step some new and beautiful allusion, its substance is still there, and it continues to claim the honorable title by which it was first made known to him on the night of his initiation. The apron derives its significance, as the symbol of purity, from two sources—from its color and from its material. In each of these points of view it is, then, to be considered, before its symbolism can be properly appreciated.

## Air Force Brass Band Photos



## ANOTHER OF THE OLD CHARGES

The Cooke Manuscript 1450

**THANKED BE GOD**, our glorious Father, the founder and creator of heaven and earth, and of all things that therein are, for that he has vouchsafed, of his glorious Godhead, to make so many things of manifold virtue for the use of mankind. For he made all things to be subject and obedient to man. All things eatable of a wholesome nature he ordained for man's sustenance. And moreover, he hath given to man wit and the knowledge of divers things and handicrafts, by the which we may labour in this world, in order to therewith get our livelihood and fashion many objects, pleasant in the sight of God, to our own ease and profit. To rehearse all these matters here were too long in the writing or telling, I will therefore refrain ; but I will nevertheless, tell you some; for instance, how and in what manner the Science of Geometry was first invented, and who were the founders both thereof and of several other crafts, as is declared in the Bible, and other histories. How, and in what manner this worthy Science of Geometry took its rise, I will tell you, as I said before. You must know that there are seven liberal sciences, from which seven all other sciences and crafts in the world sprung ; but especially is Geometry the first cause of all the other sciences, whatsoever

they be.

These seven sciences are as follows:

The first, which is called the foundation of all science, is grammar, which teacheth to write and speak correctly.

The second is rhetoric, which teaches us to speak elegantly.

The third is dialectic, which teaches us to discern the true from the false, and it is usually called art or sophistry (logic).

The fourth is arithmetic, which instructs us in the science of numbers, to reckon, and to make accounts.

The fifth is Geometry, which teaches us all about mensuration, measures and weights, of all kinds of handicrafts.

The sixth is music, and that teaches the art of singing by notation for the voice, on the organ, trumpet, and harp, and of all things pertaining thereto.

The seventh is astronomy, which teaches us the course of the sun and of the moon and of the other stars and planets of heaven.

Our intent is to treat chiefly of the first foundation of Geometry and who were the founders thereof.

As I said before, there are seven liberal sciences, that is

to say, seven sciences or crafts that are free in themselves, the which seven exist only through Geometry. And Geometry may be described as earth-mensuration, for Geometry is derived from geo, which is in Greek "earth," and metrona or a measure. Thus is the word Geometry compounded and signifies the measure of the earth.

Marvel not because I said that all sciences exist only through the science of Geometry. For there is no art or handicraft wrought by man's hands that is not wrought by Geometry which is a chief factor (notabulle cause) thereof. For if a man work with his hands he employs some sort of tool, and there is no instrument of any material in this world which is not formed of some sort of earth (ore) and to earth it will return. And there is no instrument or tool to work with that has not some proportion, more or less. And proportion is measure, and the instrument or tool is earth. And Geometry is earthmensuration therefore I affirm that all men live by Geometry. For all men here to this world live by the labour of their hands.

Many more proofs could I give you that Geometry is the science by which all reasoning men live, but I refrain at this time because the writing of it were a long process.

## Chesapeake Consistory

By: Hon. Ken Taylor, 32°— KCCH



**GREETINGS, MY BRETHREN!**

At this writing, summer is coming to a close and we are busily preparing for the

upcoming combined York & Scottish Rite class this fall. This promises to be an interesting, challenging and historic event. There are many other events planned at the temple this year. Please check the schedule and try to attend whenever possible. The Rite needs your support to continue the success we have enjoyed to this point.

This issue should be arriving to you right around the time of our country's national election day. In my last article, I mentioned how beneficial it would be to our country's leaders if they had been exposed to Scottish Rite Freemasonry. But now let me emphasize my brethren,

that you have had the benefit of seeing and learning the lessons and principles of the Scottish Rite degrees. No matter what your political inclination may be, it is important that you remember those important tenets taught in our degrees and consider them when making your voting decision. And, by all means, please take the time to exercise your right to vote. It is a precious gift that we should hold dear in our hearts.

In closing, it has been my distinct honor and pleasure to serve as the Master of Kadosh this year and I promise my support to the futures leaders of this great Rite!

## Scottish Rite Photos



## Maryland DeMolay

Dad Carl A. Michel, Jr.

**HAPPY SUMMER FROM MARYLAND DEMOLAY!** As we write this article, all Maryland DeMolays are preparing for their Annual trek to Salisbury University for Conclave. During Conclave we hold sporting events, off campus activities like Laser Tag and our Annual meeting to elect our new officers for the year. This is also our member's time to shine as many yearly awards are presented from Ritual to participation. The young men who will lead Maryland DeMolay for the upcoming year are Joseph Speck, State Master Councilor, Sepp Duncan-Panzer, Elected State Officer and Mathew Linder, Elected State Officer. These leaders have sent in their letters of intent and are ready to lead us into 2013 and beyond.

We are very excited by the work coming out of our newest Chapters in Dundalk, Savage and Bowie. If you are on Facebook, keep an eye out for updates on the activities from these Chapters. Savage Chapter just posted pictures of a lodge service project to remove graffiti from the Solomon's Lodge building.

These stories are picked up by "Proud DeMolay," a DeMolay Facebook user who spreads the good works of all DeMolays around the world. Speaking of new Chapters, we are in constant conversations with lodges that are looking into

sponsoring a DeMolay Chapter in their own facility. We are currently in preliminary talks with the Carroll County and Hagerstown area. Both of these areas once had strong and proud Chapters and we are optimistic that there will once again be DeMolay available to the young men of these areas.

A DeMolay Chapter can be a wonderful area to engage your newest members to keep them active within the lodge. As your lodges grow, the challenge will be to keep the members active and engaged and we can help! Younger men are some of our best Advisors and by them connecting with DeMolay members, they show these members how important being a Mason could be to them as they progress into manhood. We look forward to discussing these possibilities with your lodge and can come to your lodge with a program explaining DeMolay and its advantages. Thank you for your support of DeMolay!



## Elu of the Twelve – 11th Degree

By: Charles Matulewicz, 32°



**PRO PATRIA ET POPULO;** or for Country and People, we hear this in the eleventh degree but what does it mean. Simply stated the Monitor has us seeing that it is a solemn pledge on the part of the Elu's to let harm befall either through fear or fault of our own. This tells us something of the efforts of the leadership of the Fraternity, and indeed something about ourselves.

This pledge was taken by the Elu's to protect Israel from the ignorance, ambition, and fanaticism that we have seen embodied by the three ruffians who slew our Grand Master. These twelve Elu's were made Governors of Israel and were deemed Princes Ameth (or Princes of Truth) and given special charge to collect the revenues of the realm. This has a striking lesson for those of us who are working to become Master's in the Blue Lodge, hold office in our Grand Lodge, or in one of our collateral bodies. The Elu's are spreading light,

they are not like Diogenes and his lamp, looking cynically for the last honest man, but rather are laboring in the quarries to make this fraternity better than it was when they found it.

This degree teaches the leadership to guard the fraternity and not let any of the faults found embodied in the ruffians to infringe on our lodges; harmony is after all the strength and support of all institutions. The leader must look to lead by example, letting not fanaticism, ambition, or ignorance overpower the work of the brethren, the murderers of Hiram are within each of us and it is through our allegorical system of morality that we can suppress these flaws within each man and evoke the best that is to be offered. We have often heard that Masonry makes good men better, I fully believe that, and I fully believe that leaderships that focus on working for the good of the Country and the People will leave the fraternity better than it was when they found it. The fraternity is more than a civic organization or a social club; much, much more. The leadership needs to remain focused on the ritual as a conveyance of noble truths... our ritual and its lessons are the working tools of a speculative Mason yet our Leadership must focus on the good of the Country and the People, not just the fraternity

today but into perpetuity.

The Elu's are collectors of revenue, but our leadership has an inverse relationship to the brethren. Our leaders, starting with the Senior Warden of the blue lodge pay the craft their wages. I interpret this as providing these symbolic tools and moral applications thereof. The leadership is responsible Pro Patria et Populo to pass down this moral framework passed down through antiquity. But like all good leaders ours are elected and rule by the consent of the governed, this being true we, as Masons, have an equal responsibility to drink deeply from these wages collected on our behalf. Our Fraternity takes good men and makes them better by providing the tools of self-improvement; it is up to us to put them into use in our lives and see that they do not take on the rust of indifference. Visit your Rite and your Blue Lodge, I challenge you to, during a brief intermission between the first and second sections of any of the three blue lodge degrees, to voice an application of the degrees lesson that you have taken in your own life. Spread some light of your own; remember (Pro Patraia et Populo) it is for not only the members but also the fraternity as a whole. See you in the classroom.



WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD to another year of good food, good fellowship, and good fun as we plan to serve you fresh and tasty food each Thursday at Noon at the Scottish Rite Temple. Your presence will be greatly appreciated at this weekly event.

Please remember that you are encouraged to bring your family and friends to this weekly event. We can use this luncheon to introduce non-members to our organization while they are enjoying a great meal.

Please note the exciting and tasty menu of foods that we are preparing for you on Thursdays. We are again serving the foods which you have indicated you like the most; we hope you will like the menu we have prepared for this luncheon season.

When you arrive for the luncheon, you will be greeted by our jovial leader Brother Charles Winebrenner who will gladly receive your money. Again this year, we are trying to hold the cost of the luncheon to \$5.00. However, there will be a container at the reception table for any extra donations you wish to make towards the cost of the lunch and the supplies we use each week.

Our goal is to provide you with the best lunch that we can for the most reasonable price. All of our kitchen staff are volunteers who work for the good of our Scottish Rite fellowship. You can help us in our weekly planning by making reservations ahead of time. You can also help by occasionally making a special donation towards the cost of the lunch.

We look forward to seeing you every Thursday and we hope that the revised menu meets with your approval.

## Greetings from the Kitchen Staff of the Thursday Rite Cheer Club

By: Ill. Leslie G. Metcalf, Sr., 33°

September 20	SALAD PLATTER Chicken salad and tuna salad Macaroni salad with shrimp Cole slaw
September 27	ITALIAN SPECIAL Spaghetti and meatballs Shrimp marinara Salad
October 4	TENDER EYE-ROUND ROAST BEEF Mashed potatoes and gravy Green beans with special seasoning
October 11	OCTOBER FEST #1 Three types of German sausages German potato salad Sauerkraut
October 18	OCTOBERFEST#2 Sour beef Mashed potatoes Red cabbage
October 25	BONELESS PORK LOIN Oven baked potatoes Seasoned collard greens
November 1	HOME MADE MEATLOAF Mashed potatoes Green beans
November 8	SEAFOOD NEWBURG OVER RICE PILAF Glazed, carrots Baked apples
November 15	TURKEY DINNER
November 29	ITALIAN SPECIAL
December 6	BAKED CHICKEN Mashed potatoes and gravy Special green bean dish
December 13	OVEN BAKED PORK CHOPS Parsley potatoes Minted peas
December 27	No Lunch Due to Holidays

## Annual Scottish Rite Christmas Program

**“The Sweet Magic of Christmas”**

**Sunday, December 16th, 2012  
2:00 PM until 5:00 PM**

**Assorted Chocolate Stations featuring:  
Chocolate Fountains with Dark Chocolate,  
Milk Chocolate and  
White Chocolate for Dipping  
Marshmallows and Fruits  
Cookie Assortment,  
Chocolate Covered Strawberries  
and Cherries,  
Chocolate Cookies and Chocolate Cakes  
Assortment of Sandwiches, Cheese and  
Vegetable Trays  
Wine, Sodas, Tea and Coffee**

**Family and Friends are invited**

## Recent Charitable Contributions

### RECENT CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS

As of August 15, 2012

Mildred Womer  
Jesse and Hertha Adams Charitable Trust  
Ian J. Colbert

### RECENT TEMPLE CONTRIBUTIONS

As of August 15, 2012

Able Hands Mobile Message, Inc.  
Russell & June Allen  
Charles B. Burdette  
Robert E. Bell, Sr.  
Matko L. Chullin III  
Donald H. Cilento  
George W. Cook  
Raymond F. Cook  
Vernon & Agnes Denison  
Charles S. Eddleman  
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### RECENT IN HONOR OF CONTRIBUTIONS

As of August 15, 2012

Matko L. Chullin III in Honor of the  
Scottish Rite Ladies  
Frederick & Dottie Reitz in Honor of  
Potentate F. Carl Weiss

### RECENT IN MEMORY OF CONTRIBUTIONS

As of August 15, 2012

Frank & Suzanne Eskandari in Memory of  
James Russell Viers, 32°.  
Pete & Deneene Florino in Memory of  
James Russell Viers, 32°.  
James and Jeanne Galbreath in memory of  
Mrs. Christine Bay, wife of Ill. D.  
Wilson Bay, 33°.  
Charles and Nancy George in Memory of  
James Russell Viers, 32°.  
Marvin Holas in Memory of James  
Russell Viers, 32°.  
Harry & Anna Koerner in memory of  
Mrs. Christine Bay, wife of Ill. D.  
Wilson Bay, 33°  
Earle G. Maseth in memory of Dr. Den-  
nis Wayne Hetzner, Ph.D.  
Stephen & Linda McNeeley in Memory of  
James Russell Viers, 32°.  
Harlod & Helen Saxton in memory of  
Oscar Summers  
Michael Tobis in Memory of James Rus-  
sell Viers, 32°.  
Dr. Hans & Leah Wilhlemsen in memory of  
Mrs. Rose Clark, wife of Ill. William  
M. Clark, Jr., 33°, PGM.  
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John & Karen Schoelkopf in Memory of  
James Russell Viers, 32°.  
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James Russell Viers, 32°.  
Lillian C. Yellalonis & Joan Gibb in  
Memory of James Russell Viers, 32°.  
Plaza Auto Auction in Memory of James  
Russell Viers, 32°.  
Mary F. Rosendale in Memory of James  
Russell Viers, 32°.  
Terry Szabo in Memory of James Russell  
Viers, 32°.  
Wayne C. & Jane Mason in Memory of  
Mr. & Mrs. John A. Baker  
Vernon & Meg Smith in Memory of  
James Russell Viers, 32°.  
Denton & Jean Harold in Memory of  
James Russell Viers, 32°.

Mr. & Mrs. Arnold Reed in Memory of  
James Russell Viers, 32°.  
Terri Robel in Memory of James Russell  
Viers, 32°.  
John J. Boyd in Memory of James  
Russell Viers, 32°.  
Dr. Hans R. and Leah Wilhelmsen in  
Memory of Ruth Hull.  
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas W. Hopple in  
Memory of Ill. Marvin A. Comer, 33°.  
Howard & Norma Namuth in Memory of  
Ruth Hull.  
Milton & Betty Heim in Memory of Ruth  
Hull.  
Scottish Rite Woman's Club in Memory  
of Ruth Hull  
Wilbur & Evelyn Jensen in Memory of Ill.  
Marvin A. Comer, 33°  
E. Ray Leppo in Memory of Ill. Marvin A.  
Comer, 33°  
E. Ray Leppo in Memory of Ruth Hull  
J. Fred & Ruth Hobine in Memory of  
Ruth Hull  
William J. & Marie E. Butt in Memory of  
Ruth Hull  
Irene E. Klausmier in Memory of Ruth Hull  
Evelyn L Comer in Memory of her hus-  
band, Ill. Marvin A. Comer, 33°  
Estella C. Rye in Memory of Ruth Hull  
Morris & Sharon Bohlayer in Memory of  
Ill. Marvin A. Comer, 33°  
Dan & Claudia Sansbury in Memory of  
James R. Viers, 32°  
Harold & Helen Saxton in Memory of  
Margaret Miller  
Frederick & Dottie Reitz in Memory of  
Ill. Marvin A. Comer, 33°  
Frederick J. Reitz, Jr. in Memory of  
Joyce M. Pescetto  
Marlin & Brenda Mills in Memory of Ill.  
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James R. Viers, 32°  
Marlin & Brenda Mills in Memory of  
Ruth Hull.  
Marlin & Brenda Mills in Memory of Ann  
Ransay

## Family Day Picnic Photos



## The Clinic Corner

By: Christine, M.S., CCC-SLP, Speech-Language Pathologist  
Hilgenberg Scottish Rite Childhood Speech and Language Center

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS** from the Scottish Rite Clinic! Eleni, Lisa, Jamie and I have been busy here in the clinic this fall. We have been completing screenings at the surrounding private schools and are in full swing at the Cathedral School three mornings a week. We are also providing therapy Monday-Thursday until 6:30 every evening. Please stop down during our regular office hours to visit. We also welcome any new clients and families that may need evaluation or speech-language therapy.

The RiteCare conference for speech-language pathologists and administrators in Dallas, Texas was a huge success! We gained valuable treating and treatment techniques to use with our speech, language and literacy clients at the clinic. Our group presentation entitled "The iPad and You" taught other Scottish Rite speech-language pathologists around the country the many uses and benefits the iPad can have in the field of communication sciences. We really enjoyed the opportunity to share our experiences and information about the iPad. We are excited to continue to use them as innovative and motivating tools to help teach our children at the clinic.

Brockman Fellow and graduate student Sarah Catley has been working at the clinic under our supervision since September. Sarah has done an excellent job working with the children and families of our clinic. She has advanced proficiency in Spanish which has added to the therapy we can provide. Sarah will be completing her placement in the beginning of December and we will greatly miss her. Good luck Sarah!



We will have our annual Scottish Rite Holiday Clinic Party in the mid-December. This party will be made possible by the efforts of Mr. Ray Lunn and the financial support of the Chesapeake Scottish Rite Club. The children love participating in various holiday crafts and games at the party each year. They also look forward to the clowns, balloon animals, and Santa. Some of the kids have been talking about this event all year!

Finally, we'd like to thank the Scottish Rite Women's Club for their continued financial support. We used some of their funding to repaint and decorate the clinic. Please come down to see how wonderful it looks! Thank you all for your continued dedication and support and best wishes for the New Year ahead.



## 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:

Maryland Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation  
3800 North Charles Street  
Baltimore, MD 21218

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

- \$100—**Million Dollar Club Membership**—Certificate issued
- \$1000—**Gold Club Membership**—Name to be engraved on plaque at Temple
- Other amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_



*All Gifts are tax deductible and can be made in installments.*

**My donation is a**

- General Donation
- In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_
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- Commemorating (indicate special occasion) \_\_\_\_\_

The Maryland Scottish Rite Foundation, Inc. will acknowledge all gifts to the bereaved family or the person honored.

The amount of the gift will not be disclosed. A separate letter will be sent to you acknowledging your tax-deductible gift.

**Enclosed is my/our contribution of \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

*Please acknowledge to:*

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_ Apt.# \_\_\_\_\_

City & State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_



## Upcoming Events at Valley of Baltimore 2012

Wednesday, September 5th	6:30pm – Lodge of Perfection & Chapter of Rose Croix Dinner – \$15.00 – Open to All
Wednesday, September 12th	6:30pm – Council of Kadosh & Chesapeake Consistory Dinner – \$15.00 – Open to All
Wednesday, September 19th	6:30pm – Class Orientation – Candidates & Family
Wednesday, September 26th	6:30pm – Confer 4th Degree & Mark Master
Wednesday, October 3rd	6:30pm – Confer 11th Degree & Past Master
Wednesday, October 10th	6:30pm – Feast of Tishri – Lodge of Perfection* Ceremony @7pm – Dinner – \$20.00
Saturday, October 13th	8:00am – Confer 14th Degree, Most Excellent Master Degree & Royal Arch
Sunday, October 14th	2:00pm – Bull Roast at Scottish Rite
Wednesday, October 17th	6:30pm – Confer 18th & Royal Master
Wednesday, October 24th	6:30pm – Confer Select Master & Order of the Red Cross
Sunday, October 28th	2pm Memorial Service – Open to All
Wednesday, October 31st	6:30pm – Confer 20th Degree & 21st Degree
Saturday, November 3rd	8am – Reunion Day – 30th & 32nd Degree, Malta & Order of the Temple
Sunday, November 4th	2pm – Ring Ceremony/Knighting – Refreshments
Sunday, December 16th	2pm – Christmas Party – Wine & Chocolate
Saturday, March 16th	8am--Spring One-Day Class

\*The Feast of Tishri is an open Ceremony with dinner before at a cost of \$20.00. Please RSVP to the Office if attending.



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SOUTHERN JURISDICTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
ORIENT OF MARYLAND

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Date \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_

To the Officers and Members of:

ALBERT PIKE LODGE OF PERFECTION  
MEREDITH CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX

MARYLAND COUNCIL OF KADOSH  
CHESAPEAKE CONSISTORY

FIRST NAME	MIDDLE NAME	LAST NAME
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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.)

I am a Master Mason in good standing in \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge No. \_\_\_\_\_

Location \_\_\_\_\_ Under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of \_\_\_\_\_

Date Raised \_\_\_\_\_ If raised in a Maryland Lodge, have you passed exam in 3rd degree Catechism? \_\_\_\_\_

Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street Address) (City or Town) (State) (ZIP Code)

Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street Address) (City or Town) (State) (ZIP Code)

And I have resided at my current residence preceding date of this petition for \_\_\_\_\_ months/years.

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
(City or Town) (State)

My Occupation, position, or trade is that of \_\_\_\_\_  
(State fully nature of your duties. If retired, please indicate your former duties and employers.)

Employed by \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Firm or Gov't Agency) (Address) (Telephone Number)

Wife's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Recommended by two members in good standing in the Maryland Scottish Rite Bodies,

(1) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Printed name of Recommender) (Phone Number) (Signature) (Scottish Rite ID Number)

(2) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Printed name of Recommender) (Phone Number) (Signature) (Scottish Rite ID Number)

- The Supreme Council requires the acceptance of the following fundamental principles: The inculcation of patriotism, respect for law and order, underlying loyalty to the principles 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. Do you approve wholeheartedly of these principles? (Yes or No) \_\_\_\_\_
- Have you ever been held or expressed opinions contrary to the foregoing or been affiliated with and organization which has? (Yes or No) \_\_\_\_\_: If your answer is in the affirmative, give particulars: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Applicant in Full)

### INITIATION FEE: \$250.00

INITIATION FEE INCLUDES:  
14° Trilite Ring (May be upgraded to 10K Gold for additional fee),  
32° Patent, Bridge to Light Book, Albert Pike Morals & Dogma Book

This fee may be paid by Credit Card.  
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AT LEAST \$100.00 MUST ACCOMPANY THIS PETITION.

HAT SIZE \_\_\_\_\_ RING SIZE \_\_\_\_\_



## GRAND LODGE — SCOTTISH RITE CARIBBEAN CRUISE February 23, 2013

Join the Deputy Grand Master Gerald Piepiora and Sovereign Grand Inspector General Marlin L. Mills with the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation for our fundraising cruise.

Cruise on one of Celebrity's newest and most beautiful vessels  
for 14 Nights, sailing from Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

DAY	PORT	ARRIVE	DEPART
2/23	Ft. Lauderdale, FL	---	4:30pm
2/24	At Sea	---	---
2/25	At Sea	--	--
2/26	St. Thomas	9am	6pm
2/27	St. Maarten	8pm	5pm
2/28	Antigua	8am	5pm
3/01	St. Lucia	9am	6pm
3/02	Barbados	8am	5pm
3/03	Grenada	8am	5pm
3/04	At Sea	--	---
3/05	Aruba	8am	10pm
3/06	Curacao	8am	5pm
3/07	At Sea	--	---
3/08	At Sea	--	---
3/09	Ft. Lauderdale	7am	---

For more information and specific rates, please contact Judy Warsaw  
at Cruises Plus (410) 494-1414 or (800) 395-9550.

