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Summer is finally upon us. Tucson broke the 100 degree mark, Grand Lodge is over, we had our first potluck dinner of the year and, maybe or maybe not, someone won the 50-50 drawing. What a great start to the second half of the year! Now we have to work harder to make the second half of the year top the first.

Our Spring Reunion was extremely successful. The Degrees went off without a hitch, from start to finish. It was one of the best Reunions we've had in a long time. All the Departments came together, the sidelines were filled with members who watched the Degrees, the lunches were great, our new Masters of the Royal Secret were made to feel welcome and were all offered jobs within the Scottish Rite. I am very proud of everyone who participated in the Reunion. We are coming together for the good of Masonry; we are really becoming a team.

The potluck dinners will continue on the fourth Thursday in July and August. Watch your email for additional information.

With all the activities at the Cathedral, we are in need of **HELP**. The Special Events, Tuesday Crew and the Rummage Room are all real assets to us. Let's all pitch in and help. Call the office and volunteer.

One of my biggest concerns right now is the number of Brethren who have not renewed their membership. Fifteen percent (15%) of our members have not paid their 2013 dues. Please, check your dues card and if it does not have 2013 printed on it, pick up the telephone and give us a call. The Tucson office accepts all major credit cards and bank debit cards. If you need assistance in paying, let us know. We will help any Brother in need.

Recruitment and retention are core issues for success in our Fraternity. The future of Scottish Rite Masonry in the Tucson Valley is in our hands—let's be part of a great future. Each and every one of us must do our part to ensure the health of Masonry.

Finally, I challenge you to reflect on what part you are contributing for the future of Masonry.

**Do not wait until tomorrow,
Start now,
Start today!**

*Illustrious J. Michael Atchley, 33°, G.:C.:
Personal Representative, Valley of Tucson*

Seek not to follow in the footsteps of men of old; seek what they sought.

Matsuo Basho, Poet (1664-1694)

The Spring Reunion of 2013 is "in the books". I must thank everyone who played a part in making it such a great success. To those who traveled from out of town, your dedication is exemplary, and to Illustrious George Steiner, 33°, who jumped in at the last minute to help out. It is good to see you back, George. A big thanks to the Brethren who approached me offering to assist where needed. The sidelines improved tremendously as well. One person who needs recognition is Brother Andy Smith, 32°, K.:C.:C.:H.:., our wonderful organist. Brother Andy contributes many hours behind the scenes assisting in the restoration of this fine instrument which we are so proud of. **Way to go Andy!**

Mark your calendars for the Fall Reunion - November 1st and 2nd.

We are on a roll. Let's keep the momentum going by attending the potlucks through the summer months. This is a great opportunity to bring potential candidates to the Cathedral for a tour, a great meal and fellowship. We look forward to seeing you there!

*Bro.: James E. Wolfe, 32°, K.:C.:C.:H.:
Director of the Work*

HAPPY 4th OF JULY

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Valley of Tucson ~ Orient of Arizona

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Summer Potluck Dinners at the

Scottish Rite Cathedral Fun for the entire family!

During the months of June, July and August we do not hold Stated Meetings. We do, however, gather for potluck dinners and lots of family fun and fellowship.

Table games, card games and lots of good ole' fashion conversation are on the agenda, not to mention food, food and more food.

For the July 25th dinner, if your last name begins with the letter A through H, please bring a vegetable dish; I through O, please bring a dessert; and P through Z, please bring a salad. Scottish Rite will furnish the main dish, ice tea, sodas and coffee.

For the August 22nd dinner, let's have an *"all salad buffet"*. *Everyone bring a salad.* Scottish Rite will provide all the items for an ice cream dessert bar. (*Hot fudge sundae, banana split, shakes, and more!*)

These potluck dinners are open to the public—a perfect time to bring a prospective member and his family.

The very best part—

dress code is shorts and flip-flops!

Any questions—don't hesitate to pick up the telephone and call the office—520-622-8364.

50-50 Drawing



The 50-50 drawing, which is a fundraiser for the Cathedral, continues to grow.

In the ten months the drawing has been in effect, it has grown to **\$5,120.00**, with no winner yet. The elusive *"8 of Hearts"* is worth one-half the value of the pot.

Come to our Stated Meetings and take a chance—you just may be the big winner!

Do we have your current email address?

If not, please send a quick note to:

patchley@TucsonScottishRite.org.



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MASTER CRAFTSMAN CLASSES

Brethren, remember when you went through the reunion and watched all those degrees? When a Brother stood in front of the class and briefly told you about some degrees which you would not be seeing that weekend? Did you remember all of what you saw and heard after the weekend was over and you proudly went home with your Prayer Cap, a new Master of the Royal Secret? Had a sense there was more to learn? Well wonder no more!

Illustrious Brother J. Michael, Atchley, 33°, G.C.C., Personal Representative for the Valley of Tucson has asked me to lead the Master Craftsman Course. I am very excited and honored to be a part of this class! This course is based on *The Scottish Rite Ritual, Monitor and Guide*, written Illustrious Brother Arturo de Hoyos, 33°, G.C.C. and *The Bridge To Light*, written by Illustrious Brother Rex R. Hutchens, 33°, G.C.C. Both of these Brothers are very gifted and knowledgeable Masonic authors and well known for their contributions to the Craft.

The course consists of six lessons designed to guide you through the hidden mysteries of the Scottish Rite as well as provide you with some of the history of Scottish Rite. Each lesson must be completed, submitted to Supreme Council and graded before you can proceed to the next one. Of course, this doesn't prevent you from reading the material on your own.

The Master Craftsman course materials are part of the Reunion fees. If

you haven't received your material, contact the Scottish Rite office at 520-622-8364. This course is open to all Master Masons, however, if you have not yet received the Degrees of the Scottish Rite, you will need to purchase the course materials from the Tucson Scottish Rite office.

Mark your calendars for the first Monday of each month. Our first class will be held July 1st at 7:00pm in the Library at the Cathedral. The format of this course will be discussed along with questions and answers. Be sure to read the first lesson material and be prepared to participate in the group.

I am looking forward to our first meeting! Remember:

**The first Monday of each month
7:00pm**

in the Scottish Rite Library

*Bro.: Ronald W. Richards, 32°
Master Craftsman Class Instructor*



Death is something, which at some level, every rational person fears. We try to rationalize the fear, to explain it away but there are still times when we are scared nearly senseless by the thought of dying. Some of us ultimately come to the realization that the only reason to fear death is we fear not dying for something—but not having lived a life that is worthwhile.

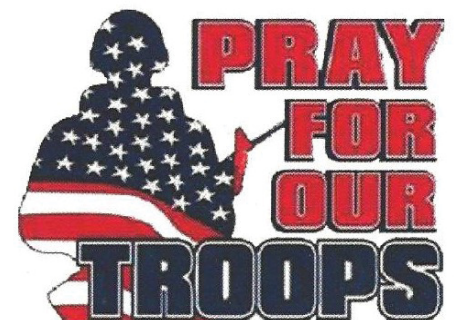
It's at this point which many of us turn from this internal fear and struggle and finally discover that knowing your neighbor and making true friends is beneficial...nay, it is vital. Only a life with real value will counter the dread feelings and it's here which the principles of Freemasonry come to the fore but, I would claim that Freemasonry must

give a benefit to membership which goes beyond Brotherhood and Fraternity. I would argue that Freemasonry's unique gift is focusing on really getting to know your Brother.

Your Brothers have to become not just those jolly fellows you see once or twice a month at meetings but someone you know intimately...even more intimately, in many cases, than his family knows him. Become his confidant, his companion, his Brother. It gives both of you something you cannot find in any other way. It gives you both that which is beyond self...something and someone to live for. Men of such character will naturally gravitate to Lodge. Other men will naturally gravitate to men of such character and will want to join with them. We will all be living lives of real value...and we certainly won't be worrying about declining Membership in Masonry.

*Bro.: Gilbert A. Schlierer, 32°
Membership Director*

Did You Know... Taps, the hauntingly beautiful Bugle call, which signals the end of day as well as the end of life for American Servicemen, was composed by our Masonic Brother General Daniel Butterfield of Civil War fame. It has become one of, if not the most recognized musical composition known worldwide. He was a member of Metropolitan Lodge #273, New York City, New York.



Welcome! New Masters of the Royal Secret



Welcome to our newest members from our Spring Reunion - they are: Donald F. Brodeur (Marion McDaniel #56); Richard A. Connors (Builders #60); Peter H. Giese (King Solomon #5); Mark J. Gilliland (Tucson #4); Robert G. Kille (Adobe #41); Keith J. Krasny (Aaron #49); George D. Workman (Yuma #17); Jon M. Schmidt (Tucson #4); Andrew Schot (Builders #60); Shayn A. Sukta (Marion McDaniel #56); Rufus Tamayo (Epes Randolph #32); Mikel K. White (Yuma #17); Jason R. Williams (Builders #60); Thomas A. Leslie, Jr. (Eloy #46); Sean D. Litsky (Adobe #41); Carsten Loelke (Scottsdale #43); Robert P. Owens (Epes Randolph #32); Gustavo A. Portillo (Epes Randolph #32); Christopher N. Rose (Flagstaff #7)



Junior Reserve Officers Training Cadet (JROTC)

Each year, the Tucson Scottish Rite awards scholarships to deserving JROTC Cadets. These Cadets are at the High School level and volunteer for the program. The Cadets when asked about the program, their comments are: it's challenging, a learning experience which instills strong leadership skills and a deep sense of camaraderie.

During a recent Change of Command Ceremony and Awards, the message came through loud and clear when many, if not all, Cadets were presented an award for excellence in all phases of leader-



ship, physical fitness and probably most important, the ability to perform when under pressure.

The ceremony opened with the presentation of colors by the JROTC Color Guard along with the National Anthem sung by a Cadet. This was a very moving experience for all in attendance.

The photographs on the right, show Ill. Bro. Andrew M. Anderson, Jr., 33°, making presentations this past May to C/1Lt. Cody Norris of Tombstone High School and Cadet Nathaniel Luick of Buena High School in Sierra Vista.

Congratulations to all the members who participate in the JROTC program.



Baseball Game

A passerby stopped to watch a baseball game taking place at the local park.

"Who's playing?" he asked another observer.

"The Masons against the Knights of Columbus," he responded.

"What's the score?"

"I don't know. It's a secret."



C/1Lt. Cody Norris



Cadet Nathaniel Luick

Scottish Rite Calendar of Events

July 25, 2013

(Pot Luck Dinner / Game Night)

August 22, 2013

(Pot Luck Dinner / Ice Cream Social)

August 24—28, 2013

(2013 Biennial Session, Washington, D.C.)

September 26, 2013—Stated Meeting

(Past Venerable Masters' Night)

October 5, 2013

*(Knights Commander Court of Honour Investiture,
Luncheon and
Thirty-Third Degree Conferral)*

October 13, 2013—Honours Brunch

(Tanque Verde Guest Ranch)

October 24, 2013—Stated Meeting

(Feast of Tishri)

November 1-2, 2013—*(Tucson Fall Reunion)*

November 14, 2013—Stated Meeting

December 12, 2013—*(Holiday Celebration)*

December 23, 2013 through

January 3, 2014, the

**Scottish Rite Office will be closed
except for Special Events.**

Special Event Bookings

July 6, 2013—Masonic Special Event

July 12, 2013—Wedding Rehearsal

July 13, 2013—Wedding & Reception

July 19, 2013—Quinceanera Rehearsal

July 20, 2013—Quinceanera

July 31, 2013—Corporate Event

August 23, 2013—Wedding Rehearsal

August 24, 2013—Wedding & Reception

September 7, 2013—Masonic Special Event

September 19—22, 2013—Waypoint Theatre

September 27, 2013—Wedding Rehearsal

September 28, 2013—Wedding & Reception

October 2, 2013—Corporate Event

October 5, 2013—Masonic Special Event

October 11, 2013—Wedding Rehearsal

October 12, 2013—Wedding & Reception

October 19, 2013—Quinceanera

October 26, 2013—Corporate Event

November 9, 2013—Masonic Special Event

November 10, 2013—Corporate Event

November 16, 2013—Corporate Event

December 3, 2013—Corporate Event

December 7, 2013—Masonic Special Event

December 7, 2013—Corporate Event

December 10, 2013—Corporate Event

December 12-15, 2013—Waypoint Theatre

December 14, 2013—Corporate Event

December 20, 2013—Wedding Rehearsal

December 21, 2013—Wedding & Reception

December 27, 2013—Wedding Rehearsal

December 28, 2013—Wedding & Reception

December 31, 2013—Private Party



Memorial Gifts

In Memory of

Robert D. Wainwright

By Illustrious Brother Robert E. Garn, 33°

In Memory of

Ann Schauer

**By Illustrious Brother George E. Steiner, 33°
and his lovely wife, Alice.**

Candidate must have current Blue Lodge card in possession at time of registration.

Amount Received: _____

Date Paid: _____



Member No.: _____

Date Elected: _____

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Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America Valley of Tucson ~ Orient of Arizona

To The Officers and Members Of:

Tucson Lodge of Perfection	(4° to 14°)	Includes 14° Ring & a Copy of "A Bridge to Light"	FEES \$ 70.00	DUES \$ 50.00
Tucson Chapter of Rose Croix	(15° to 18°)		45.00	15.00
Tucson Council of Kadosh	(19° to 30°)		45.00	15.00
Tucson Consistory	(31° to 32°)	Includes 32° Patent & a 32° Cap	45.00	15.00

TOTAL: \$ 205.00 \$ 95.00 = **\$300.00**

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PRINT NAME IN FULL - DO NOT USE INITIALS

I, the undersigned, _____ am a Master Mason
in good standing in _____ Lodge No. _____, F.&A.M., located in
_____, under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of _____.

I have resided in the State of Arizona since _____. I have never* previously applied for any of the Scottish Rite Degrees. I now respectfully petition the degrees from the 4° to 32° 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.

** If applicant has previously applied for any of the Degrees, he will strike out the word "never" and in writing, explain fully, time, place, and to whom such application was made.*

I was born on _____, _____, City & State _____

My occupation is: _____

in connection with or service of: _____
(If retired, state occupation before retirement)

Home Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____ Phone: _____

Email address: _____ Name of Spouse: _____

Hat Size: _____ Ring Size: _____

The Supreme Council requires acceptance as fundamental principles, the following:

- "The inculcation of patriotism, respect for law and order, undying 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 ____ No

Have you ever held or expressed opinions contrary to the foregoing or been affiliated with any organization which has? If you answer this question in the affirmative, give particulars. ____ Yes ____ No

Signature: _____

Recommenders Please Print and Sign your Name

Print Name Here Degree _____

Print Name Here Degree _____

Signature

Signature

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Waypoint Theatre
Company
is MOVING
to the historic
Scottish Rite Cathedral!

We look forward to seeing you at their FIRST production at our beautiful, historic Cathedral in September, *Myrtle - a musical melodrama based on the book of Esther*.

Showtimes and ticket information will be available soon.