

# August 2023

### **Master Calendar**

<del>1.6.23                                   </del>	KSA Meeting #1/ Ex. Bd
1.24.23	Degree Team Conferral of MM (See Jason)
2.3.23	Robert Burns Dinner / Meeting of 33rds
3.3.23	14th Degree
4.1.23	Gulfport Spring Reunion
4.7.23	-Cerm. of Rem. and Renewal
5.5.23	Black Hat Ceremony / KSA Meeting #2
6.2.23	Fst. of Consist / Ex. Bd
7.7.23	Gordian Knott Bus. Meeting / KSA Meeting #3
8.4.23	Fst. of Manifesto
8.21-23.23	Biennial Session – Washington DC
9.1.23	Guest Speaker / Proposition Night
9.8-9.23	Honors Weekend - Tupelo
10.6.23	Feast of Tishri / KSA Meeting #4
10.7.23	Gulfport Fall Reunion
11.3.23	Election / Black Hat / Annual Awards
12.1.23	Installation / Christmas

### At a Glance

Feast of Manifesto Ceremony & Education by Matthew Clark on Jean Lafitte

### **Lost in the Quarry**

We have not seen or heard from you and miss you! If you have any information about these Brethren, please contact the Secretary.

David Bassett	Victor Mann	
Ryan Boyd	Joe Parkman	
Wayde Byrd	Paul Jones	
Brian Childs	David Schwandt	
Mark Forte	Tim Schwandt	
Joseph Galey	David Earl Stewart	
Russell Hembree	Harold Whiteman	
Stacey Williams		

### **Sickness and Distress**

Bro. Freddie Zehner – arthritis and pain Bro. Michael Baker's wife - lung transplant Unspoken Bro. - undergoing cancer treatment Bro. Paul Williams – broken leg

Please contact Chaplain Gerald Griffin with any reports. 601-543-7219



### **Birthdays**

Larry Byrd	1-Aug
Joshua Clayton Csaszar	5-Aug
Loyd D Gamble	6-Aug
Charles Wayland Dickerson	7-Aug
James Michael Buckhaults	9-Aug
Lindsey R Sanderson	11-Aug
Gaberiel T Churchwell	12-Aug
Nicholas Zachary Verner	14-Aug
Christopher Paul Holzinger	16-Aug
Charles Kendall Evans	17-Aug
Roy Roland Gatlin	18-Aug
Robert Larry Grayson	19-Aug
Arthur Leon Patrick	19-Aug
John Davis Smith	20-Aug
ThomasPearson	22-Aug
James Derryle Smith	24-Aug
Cade Travis	27-Aug
C W Hicks	30-Aug
Robert C Cranford	30-Aug



### **Education Presentations**

January Lamar Sullivan
February Other Activities

March Substitute

April Christopher Rounsevell

May Lester Ivy
June Other

July Other

August Matthew Clark

September Arthur Patrick
October Mike McKenzie

November Gabe Churchwell

December Rex Hasty



### Message from the Venerable Master

Brethren.

August was named after a major figure of the ancient Roman World, Augustus Caesar (63 B.C.–A.D. 14). He was the first Roman emperor (though he never claimed the title) and grandnephew of the previous ruler Julius Caesar (who named July after himself). August is the 8th month of the year in today's Gregorian calendar, but it was the sixth month (Sextilus) of the year in Roman times. Augustus had the month of Sextilius renamed after himself in 8 B.C. This was the month of some of his greatest military victories. August being the month most students return to school, education is a great subject.

Every month, in our valley, a Brother steps up and volunteers to give an educational presentation on any subject they desire, most presentations deal with a subject of the craft. It has been said that in Freemasonry, an inquisitive mind is a necessary prerequisite to becoming a member. Therefore, the pursuit of education is of the utmost importance. This is not necessarily a formal education but lifelong learning for the purpose of serving humanity better. Each Mason is expected to be well versed in the Seven Liberal Arts and Sciences and to be able to discuss a myriad of subjects with toleration and open-mindedness. In Freemasonry there are many avenues to assist the desiring Brother to receive "more light." Some of the more notable are:

**Quatuor Coronati Correspondence Circle (QCCC)** 

The Scottish Rite Research Society

Mississippi Lodge of Research DCXL

The are several study courses offered to Freemasons. Our Scottish Rite offers the Master Craftsman Course. The York Rite offers the Templar Ritualist Course, The Commissioned Chaplains Course, and the History of Medieval Knight Course. Both the General Grand York Rite and the Mississippi Lodge of Research offer the Leadership Enhancement Course. The different Research Lodges offer publications for your enlightenment. These are but a few of the roads that lead to further Masonic knowledge. You will find many more if you search for them.

By researching Masonic education one finds answers to the questions of Masonic values, history, symbols and myths. The Brother learns leadership, self-improvement and community building. The many online educational resources help members learn more about Freemasonry and the daily business of leading a lodge.

Make sure you make plans to enjoy two upcoming holidays: August 4: National Chocolate Chip Cookie Day (Our valley meeting night- might be a great time to have some of the brothers offer to bring cookies! LOL) and August 6: National Wiggle Your Toes Day.

Congratulations to all the Honour Men from our Valley.

Keep up the great work Brethren, because of you our valley is making great strides! Thank you my Brothers for all you do!

S&F, Arthur Patrick Venerable Master

### **Educationally Speaking**



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# QUESTION

The two sphinxes on the front of the House of the Temple have names. What are they?

- A. Wisdom & Power
- B. Chaos & Order
- C. George & Ben

### EGYPT. THE CRADLE OF ANCIENT MASONRY

For he who understands the things proposed, obtains his end, and every artificer rules over his work-(meaning that knowledge and power are reciprocal; so that to improve in knowledge is to improve in the power of commanding nature by introducing new arts and producing works and effects.) Sphinx has no more than two kinds of riddles, one relating to the nature of things, the other to the nature of man, and correspondent to these, the prizes of the solution are two kinds of empire: the empire over nature and the empire over man. For the true and ultimate end of natural philosophy is dominion over natural things, natural bodies, remedies, machines and numberless other particulars, though the schools, contented with what spontaneously offers, and swollen with their own discourses, neglect, and in a manner despise, both things and works. But the riddle proposed to Ædipus, the solution whereof acquired him the Theban kingdom, regarded the nature of man; for he who has thoroughly looked into and examined human nature, may in a manner command his own fortune, and seems born to acquire dominion and rule. It is with the utmost elegance added in the fable, that when Sphinx was conquered, her carcass was laid upon an ass; for there is nothing so subtle and abstruse, but after being once made plain, intelligible and common, may be received by the slowest capacity. We must not omit that the Sphinx was conquered by a lame man, and impotent in his feet; for men usually make too much haste to the solution of Sphinx's riddles; whence it happens that she, prevailing, their minds are rather racked and torn by disputes than invested with command, by work and effects.

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# Albert Pike defines Freemason way of life with Ten Commandments of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry

By Annette Harvison with guidance by Gabriel T. Churchwell, III, K.C.C.H (33° Elect)

History is filled with stories that show the corrupt human mind, with numbers of immoral deeds against others noted in the pages of many books. Yet, also noted in the pages of many books are the acts of human kindness to those less fortunate than oneself, even those with questionable lifestyles. Throughout many world religions, one of the main recurring themes is one's moral obligation to humanity and to the world, without the need for recognition or reciprocation. Though many people associate Freemasonry with Christianity, the Fraternity acknowledges its lack of religious affiliation to any one religion, rather the organization is comprised of a brotherhood of like-minded individuals that share the common goal of lifting humanity through morality, spirituality, and intellectualism. Freemasons are found throughout the world, in many cultures and religions, though at its core, Freemasonry recognizes the Creator. Its establishment is so ancient that its origins and founders are lost to antiquity. Their traditions and rituals have been engrained in their theology for centuries, dating back to the Temple of Solomon, and even further to Adam. Hollywood has fanaticized the Freemason Fraternity for many years, with glamorous allusions to deep, dark secrets about treasures and of divine knowledge, yet at its core, the organization seeks to shine a light into the world through their acts of humanity, in their communities and countries, through spiritualism, morality, and intellectualism. The light in Freemasonry is defined as Virtue, Manliness, Intelligence, and Liberty.

Freemasons have worked to advance humanity toward the light through acts of morality, sharing knowledge and wisdom, and sharing the enlightenment of spirituality, regardless of status of those in need. Those in the Fraternity learn through constant studying of literature, philosophy, and practice. Freemasons are held to a higher standard and must act accordingly, not only in the brotherhood but also in their personal lives. The Scottish Rite Master Craftsman Philosophy, which is derived from works by Albert Pike, with annotations by Arturo de Hoyos, including Esoterika, Scottish Rite Ritual and Guide 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, and Morals and Dogma of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, describes the Freemason as "the Apostle, the Preacher, the Advocate of Truth alone." Truth, according to Masonic literature, is a "divine attribute and the foundation of every virtue; the manifestation of the Diety Himself; and without it as a basis, there can be neither public nor

private virtue." The discipline of a Freemason is gained through adherence to a strict temperament, learned through practice, with a "nobler and higher" purpose than the "mere act" of goodwill and charity, which are intended to help in the present as well as in the future.

The Freemason begins as an apprentice, learning the foundation of Freemasonry. With every degree, the Freemason must learn and grow in all three areas of service-morality, intellectualism, and spiritualism. At each promotion, the Freemason learns more about their purpose in the present, their place in the past and their future in the world. A Mason understands the duty he must perform and understands that the performance of his duty is Masonry.

The lessons in Masonry follow ancient rituals, which have been written and rewritten many times over throughout the centuries. Today, the main text used for rituals and rites comes from an American born man who researched the Fraternity and its theologies before extracting the most sacred pieces of rituals, symbols, and the meanings of both and turning it into the Morals and Dogma of the Freemasons. The author of these practices was Albert Pike, a dedicated and active Freemason, born December 29, 1809, in Massachusetts, which was a prospering state in a young new country. While the country was still cementing its footing in the world, Freemasons were busy going about their lives, keeping in practice the sacred rituals of their brotherhood to ensure their place in the country. Pike would become a pillar of the Fraternity, not just in the United States of America, but across the globe.

Although Pike was born in New England, he eventually made his way to Missouri then on to Arkansas. He began his journey with the Freemasons in1850 in the York Rite. By 1853, he had become a 32<sup>nd</sup> degree Mason in the Scottish Rite. In 1857, he had earned 33<sup>rd</sup> degree Mason. In 1859, he was named the Grand Commander of the Supreme Council in the Southern Jurisdiction, a position he held until his death in 1891. Pike was originally laid to rest in Oakhill Cemetery in Washington, D.C., but was eventually interred at the Masonic Temple on December 29, 1944.

In his lifetime, Pike was an explorer, lawyer, Native American (Indian) Agent, a Brigadier General with the Confederate States of America in the Civil War, an author, editor, historian, translator, publisher, philosopher, poet, and Scholar of Vedic literature. Pike also knew multiple languages. He was an educated man regarded in many areas, but likely his most important title was Master Builder of the Scottish Rite. His works in the Fraternity laid the

foundation for the rites and rituals of each degree that is still followed today and used not only in the United States but worldwide.

Pike began studying and transcribing the degrees of Freemasonry in 1854. His thirst for knowledge gave him a drive to learn all he could about the Fraternity and its ancient rituals and practices. He also had a desire to learn the meaning of each symbol, medallion, ancient words, and stones used in the ritual of each degree. His studies likely paved the way for his appointment to a committee in 1855 to take a deeper look at their then-current rituals, with the mission of making needed adjustments to their practices. Pike, it is said, was the sole member of the committee to make those revisions, and he did so in such a way that his work was responsible for the now-current ceremonies for promotions.

Freemasons of any degree are to hold themselves to a higher standard. Pike showed in his works numerous times the moral obligation a Mason has not only to himself but also to his community and his country. He had a moral obligation to meet the need where it was, regardless of race, social class, or even lifestyle. In his teachings, Pike noted that the Rites performed by Masons were instructions based on moral, religious, and philosophical teachings. His teachings showed the connection of morality, spirituality, and intellectuality, all of which work in conjunction with one another in the path to the light.

The repeated theme of morality, spirituality, and intellectualism allude to the three Pillars of Freemasonry-Wisdom, Strength, and Harmony, or Faith Hope and Charity, which Pike used interchangeably. Pike noted that morality cannot survive without spirituality and intellectuality. Pike also noted that Honor and Duty are the polestars of Freemasonry. He shared years of wisdom gained through the study of various religions and philosophers, cultures, and secrets of antiquity of the Masons, making sure his works reflected not just his own ideas, but also those truths passed down through the generations, and surviving an everchanging world.

In his works, Pike also wrote the Ten Commandments of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, a set of morals in which all Masons should strive to apply in their lives. The words do not allude to any religion, though the commandments acknowledge the Eternal Omnipotent Being. These commandments state how to live a moral life with the progress of mankind at the core of everything. Spirituality and intellectualism will grow with the practice of morality. The commandments teach self-discipline to avoid the lust of temptation and to honor and cherish familial and close relationships.

Freemasons believe now is the time to revive these commandments and shine a new light on their virtues. These commandments are at the core of the progress of humanity and act as a moral compass on the path to the light. Each Mason receives the Ten Commandments of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry with the first degree of their apprenticeship in the Fraternity. These commandments serve as the fundamental building blocks of the way of life of a Freemason.

The Ten Commandments of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry

Masonry has at its Decalogue, which is as a law to its Initiates. These are its Ten Commandments.

- I. God is the Eternal, Omnipotent Immutable Wisdom, Supreme Intelligence and Exhaustless Love. Thou shalt adore, revere, and love Him! Thou shalt honor Him by practicing the virtues!
- II. Thy religion shall be, to do good because it is a pleasure to thee, and not merely because it is a duty. That thou mayest become the friend of the Wiseman, thou shalt obey his precepts! Thy soul is immortal! Thou shalt do nothing to degrade it!
- III. Thou shall unceasingly war against vice! Thou shalt not do unto others that which thou wouldst not wish for them to do unto thee! Thou shalt be submissive to thy fortunes, and keep burning the light of wisdom!
- IV. Thou shalt honor thy parents! Thou shalt pay respect and homage to the aged! Thou shalt instruct the young! Thou shalt protect and defend infancy and innocence!
- V. Thou shalt cherish thy wife and thy children! Thou shalt love thy country, and obey its laws!
- VI. Thy friend shall be to thee a second self. Misfortune shall not estrange thee from him! Thou shalt do for his memory whatever thou wouldst do for him, were he living!
- VII. Thou shalt avoid and flee from insincere friendships! Thou shalt in everything refrain from excess! Thou shalt fear to be the cause of a stain on thy memory!
- VIII. Thou shalt allow no passions to become thy master! Thou shalt make the passions of others profitable lessons to thyself! Thou shalt be indulgent to error!
  - IX. Thou shalt hear much; Thou shalt speak little; Thou shalt act well! Thou shalt not forget injuries! Thou shalt render good for evil! Thou shalt not misuse either thy strength or thy superiority!
  - X. Thou shalt study to know men, that thereby thou mayest learn to know thyself! Thou shalt ever seek after virtue! Thou shalt be just! Thou shalt avoid illness of thought and deed!

But the greatest commandment of Masonry is this: "A new commandment I give unto you: that ye love one another! He that is in the light, and hateth his brother, remaineth still in the darkness."

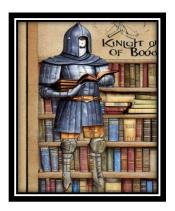
The duty of the Freemason is to shine the light to all those struggling in an ever-changing, technologically infused world, with wars, genocide, famine, extreme poverty, and deeply rooted immorality. A Freemason learns that his soul is immortal, made from the Creator, and upon his death, his soul will leave the human body, with his wisdom and the reflection of his morality and spirituality.



Photo: From left- Bro. Gabe Churchwell, 32°, KCCH, Hattiesburg Valley, presenting Corinth Valley Personal Rep. Dean Thompson, 33° and Venerable Master Keith Stevens with a copy of the Ten Commandments of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, with MS's SGIG, Billy W. Sloan, 33°



## **Knights of the Bookcase**



# **EGYPT** CRADLE OF ANCIENT MASONRY BY / NORMAN FREDERICK DE CLIFFORD COMPRISING A HISTORY OF EGYPT, WITH A COMPREHENSIVE AND AUTHENTIC ACCOUNT OF The Antiquity of Masonry RESULTING FROM MANY YEARS OF PERSONAL INVESTIGATION AND EXHAUSTIVE RESEARCH IN INDIA, PERSIA, SYRIA AND THE VALLEY OF THE NILE ILLUSTRATED. PHILADELPHIA THE LINCOLN PUBLISHING COMPANY 1902

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### CHAPTER XII.

SOLOMON-DEATH OF HIRAM-CROSS-SWASTICA.

EFORE proceeding with a treatment of the subjects embraced under the caption of this chapter, I desire to express astonishment at the apparent lack of interest taken in Masonic literature by many of the Brethren connected with our Fraternity. It is a lamentable fact that an immense number of brothers calling themselves Masons have no more idea of the esoteric teachings of our beloved Fraternity than the Neophyte who has not as yet received the light, being bewildered, as it were, by its refulgence. If you take the trouble to converse upon the teachings or symbology of the various degrees, you will find many sadly deficient upon the most simple subjects. Continue your investigations and you will find that seemingly they have no apparent interest in the actual knowledge needed to make them acquainted with the Ancient Landmarks of the Fraternity, or even to converse upon general topics of interest to the intellectual student, seeking more Light, more Truth; aye, more knowledge, not of Masonic interest only, but in the wonderful advance of Science, Philosophy, etc., as evidenced by researches in the realms of literature and the many remarkable discoveries made in the scientific world and utilized in this wonderful twentieth century.

The true Mason will never be satisfied with the simple ceremonies of the various degrees to which he has attained, but will search among the beautiful symbols permeating our beloved Fraternity to discover the sublimity and grandeur of the Truths underlying each and every one of them. Every word in these degrees is fraught with the deepest significance, and it is his bounden duty to endeavor to discover the hidden meaning of every symbol, as well as to understand the meaning of every word. If he is earnest in his endeavors, having passed through the profound and magnificent ceremonies pertaining to many of our Scottish Rite degrees, he will at length understand their seeming mysteries, and this

translated knowledge will make him a Mason in Truth and in Spirit, plainly pointing out his Path and Duty. The great majority of Masons do not give enough study to the preceding degree before entering upon the threshold of another, and do not seem to consider or realize that the various degrees are like the links in a chain, connecting one with the other, forming among themselves a grand whole, and, as I have said before, the complete understanding of one degree is a keynote of comprehension to the one above. Possibly you may be able to get a better idea of my meaning when I say that the whole of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite degrees are analogous to mathematics, because, in order to thoroughly understand the Science of Numbers and Arithmetic, we must begin at Addition, pass on to Subtraction, rise to Multiplication and then advance to Division, and so on, as without the knowledge of the one we could not possibly understand the true meaning of the other, and so it is with the beautiful Degrees of our Scottish Rite Bodies.

Hundreds of Masons do not care to study or learn the meaning of the beautiful symbols permeating our beloved Fraternity, but take the various degrees of our beloved Scottish Rite out of simple curiosity, while many others acquire them in the hope that it will aid them in their business affairs: Again, many are desirous of passing rapidly through the degrees and be received as a "Master of the Royal Secret," to be enabled to wear the jewel of that degree suspended from a watch chain, who yet know no more of the Royal Secret than a child unborn. Such Brothers are simply drones in the "Masonic Hive," and not true workers, otherwise they would endeavor to learn and acquire a knowledge of the profound Philosophies and Scientific problems which permeate our most illustrious Fraternity. But still there are a vast number of Brothers who are earnestly searching through the Symbology of the various degrees in our glorious Rite for the express purpose of understanding the grand Truths contained in its sublime Philosophies, and solving the problems of the Deity, Nature, the Immortality of the Soul and the development of the human intellect. Brothers who will ever be patient with the drones and sluggards and strive to help them along the path leading to greater exertions, and endeavor to implant within their hearts an earnest desire to know the Holy Doctrine and the Key to the Royal Secret. It is very difficult to solve some of the symbols of the ancient Mysteries and ancient

Masonry, and many of our modern writers give a wrong interpretation to them, often leading persons astray who are trying to understand them. The old secrets and symbols have been reveiled, or hidden, on purpose to conceal their real meaning from the Profane, and yet the earnest student who has obtained the key through profound study finds no difficulty in coming to an understanding of their sublime teachings. The word reveal is a very curious and misleading one, if taken in its general accepted sense, because the Latin word revelare, from which we derive the word reveal, or revealed, is just the opposite to the generally accepted meaning of it in English; for re-velare signifies to reveil, and not to reveal, i.e., from re again, or back, and velare to hide, or cover; to veil from the eyes of those who were unworthy. One of the First to reveal (reveil or hide) the symbology of the ancient Mysteries of India, so as to preserve and practice them in the valley of the Nile, was Hermes, and long centuries after him the Jewish Lawgiver Moses, who reveiled or hid away in the Wisdom of the Ancient Egyptians all the Egypto-Chaldean theological legends and allegories.

To bear me out in the above statement I will quote you from "Morals and Dogmas," page 104: "Masonry, like all the Religions, all the Mysteries, Hermeticism and Alchemy, conceals its secrets from all except the Adepts and Sages, or the Elect, and uses false explanations and misinterpretations of its symbols to mislead those who deserve to be misled; to conceal the Truth, which it calls Light, from them, and to draw them away from it. Truth is not for those who are unworthy or unable to receive it, or would prevent it. So God Himself incapacitates many men, by color blindness, to distinguish colors, and leads the masses away from the highest Truth, giving them the power to attain only so much of it as is profitable to them to know. Every age has had a religion suited to its capacity. The teachers even of Christianity, are in general, the most ignorant of the true meaning of that which they teach. There is no book of which so little is known as the Bible. To most who read it, it is as incomprehensible as the Sohar. So Masonry zealously conceals its secrets, and intentionally leads conceited interpreters astray. There is no sight under the sun more pitiful and ludicrous at once, than the Prestons and the Webbs, not to mention the later incarnations of Dullness and commonplace, undertaking to 'explain' the old symbols of Masonry, and added to and 'improving' them, or inventing new ones. To the circle, enclosing the central point, and itself traced between two parallel lines, a figure purely Kabalistic, these persons have added the superimposed Bible and even reared on that the ladder with three or nine rounds, and then given a vapid interpretation of the whole, so profoundly absurd as actually to excite admiration."

Brother J. D. Buck, in his very valuable little work, "Mystic Masonry" says, on page 253, that "The real secrets of Masonry lie concealed in its Symbols, and these, constituting as they do a Picture language, or Art Speech, are made to carry a complete philosophy of the existence and relations of Deity, Nature and Man. The average Mason, taking the symbols for the things symbolized and knowing nothing of the profound philosophy upon which they rest, is incredulous that it ever existed, and so he treads the 'burning sands' in search of a novel sensation, or a new joke. As mere pastimes these jovial entertainments are neither better nor worse than many others. They represent one extreme into which the Ancient Wisdom has degenerated. Let every intelligent Mason reflect on the sublimity and sanctity of the ceremonies in some of the Degrees, where the name of the Deity is invoked, where the highest moral precepts are inculcated, and where the purest and most exalted ethics are taught."

I have already spoken of Solomon's temple and alluded to the fact that a great many brethren actually believe Masonry to have originated with the building of that edifice by the Wise King of Israel, but, if they will only pause to consider this matter carefully, they will find that this, like many other things in Masonry, is purely Symbolical. For, as I have herein before stated, "Masonry is a peculiar system of Moralty, veiled in Allegory and Illustrated by Symbols," and this building of a temple by Sol-om-on is one of the most beautiful allegories in Masonry, full of profound symbology, as there is not a thing mentioned in relation to this temple that is not purely symbolical, which will probably account for the fact that to-day not a single vestige of it can be found among the squalid hovels in the ancient city of Jerusalem. The traditional history of this fabric, as well as many of the most magnificent temples of Egypt and Assyria have passed into the realm of fable.

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#### Links

GroupMe Group Texting:

https://groupme.com/join\_group/68986319/OI4jIKX2

Valley Facebook

https://www.facebook.com/groups/hattiesburgsr

Orient Facebook

https://www.facebook.com/groups/msscottishrite

**Orient Website** 

https://scottishritems.org/

Online Petition

https://scottishrite.jotform.com/212843415672961

### **Volunteer Help Wanted**

Social Media Manager / Content Creators
Articles for Communicator

### **Candidate Proposals**

SEC. 7. Any qualified person residing within the territorial jurisdiction of this Supreme Council may be **proposed** at any Stated Meeting of a Body under its jurisdiction by proposition in writing, signed by one member and seconded by another, also in writing. Such proposition may be made without the knowledge of the person proposed. A Body may, by its bylaws, require candidates to apply for Degrees by petition in writing.

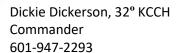
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### **Upcoming York Rite Activities**

- 2.11.23 Festival in Tupelo
- 2.18.23 Festival in Laurel (cancelled)
- 3.16.23 Grand Lodge
- 4.29.23 St. Jude RCC
- 5.19.23 Grand York Rite
- 6.10.23 SE YR Conference
- (postponed) Festival in Meridian
- 7.8.23 Knight Masons in Gulfport
- 7.15.23 YR College in Byram
- 7.23.23 St. Jude RCC
- 8.23.23 Festival in Gulfport
- 5.19.23 Grand York Rite
- 6.10.23 SE YR Conference
- 6.24.23 Festival in Meridian
- 7.8.23 Knight Masons in Gulfport
- 7.15.23 YR College in Byram & St. Leonard RCC
- 8.23.23 Festival in Gulfport
- 9.30.23 St. Jude RCC
- 12.2.23 St. Jude RCC
- 12.16.23 St. Leonard RCC

