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## OCTOBER 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2017: TRESTLEBOARD (#137) DINNER AND FEAST OF TISHRI CEREMONY AND GUEST SPEAKER

Meeting  
Reminder!

**OCTOBER LOP MEETING:** The October LOP meeting dinner will begin at 7:00 PM with the program beginning at 8:00 PM. Our guest speaker this month is Illustrious Brother Eric Milks from our Valley. Brother Eric was initiated into Masonry on April 8, Passed on May 13, and raised a Master Mason on June 6, 1975. He is a member of George Walton Lodge #699 and Past Master as well as the editor of the George Walton newsletter and a member of Webb Lodge #166. He is a 33° Scottish Rite Mason and Past Venerable Master of the LOP, Past Commander of the Augusta Council of Kadosh and Past Master of Kadosh in the Augusta Consistory. Eric is also a member and Past Master of the Augusta Lodge of Research #6 and a member of both the Scottish Rite Research Society and of the Philalethes Society. He will be presenting an overview of 7 Jewish Feasts, and will elaborate on the nature, spiritual significance, Christian Significance of those feasts. It should be a very educational experience.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING:** Our next executive committee meeting will be held at the Valley of Augusta Scottish Rite on Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017, 6:30 PM.



**Kadosh (Bro. Stone)y**

How often we hear the word Kadosh spoken or see it in print and really do not know the origin or meaning. For instance, the Scottish Rite Council of Kadosh. What images or understanding does that bring to mind? For me it represents the 19<sup>th</sup> through the 30<sup>th</sup> degrees with the 30<sup>th</sup> being the Knight Kadosh. The degrees are really very



interesting as they deal with traits, ideals, honor, conscience, etc. of a knight. OK, but we have really not seen what Kadosh really means or where it came from yet. At a Jewish school of instruction the teacher one day had the class meet in the kitchen. An odd place to meet for sure but that was where the lesson was to begin. The teacher

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picked up a common cooking pot and turned it over and there inscribed were the words *Kadosh L'YHUV*, the meaning of which are "Holy to the Lord", the same words inscribed on the golden crown of the Jewish high priest. A student immediately remarked that he considered that sacrilegious! The teacher pointed out that at the end of Hebrew Scriptures is a vision of what life will be like in the days when the kingdom of God is on earth. It is written, "In that day 'Holy to the Lord' shall be engraved on the bells of the horses...Every pot in Jerusalem and Judah will be holy to the Lord of Hosts. The teacher said, "Do you realize how radical this is?" The holy vessels could only be found inside the Temple; outside the Temple was the mundane or unholy. But in the Kingdom of God the sacred words on the high priest's crown will be written on the bells of horses. The sacred glory of the Temple will be in every kitchen and on every cooking pot. Everything will be filled with God's holiness and overflowing with His glory. Therein is the secret of living a heavenly life. Every part of your life should be holy to God; your daily job should be performed as a ministry and your home lived in as if you were in the Temple. When you take out the garbage, do it as if you were a priest performing the sacred ministry in the holy place. And when you go to bed, sleep as if you are in heaven's throne room, surrounded by the presence of God. Bring every part of your life into the presence, holiness, and glory of God and you will live even now in the glory of the kingdom. And even your cooking pots will become holy to the Lord. Isn't knighthood all about living a godly life? Now the term Kadosh for the 19<sup>th</sup> through the 30<sup>th</sup> degrees should make a little more sense.

**SCOTTISH RITE FOUNDATION OF GEORGIA RAFFLE:** The first Scottish Rite Foundation of Georgia Raffle has been completed as of September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017. All raffle tickets will be gathered from all 6 valleys in the state in the next few weeks and the winners will be drawn at our November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 Lodge of Perfection meeting. If you were one of the lucky ones who bought a ticket your odds of winning have increased substantially. We hoped to sell 1000, \$100 tickets but sold only around 400. First prize is \$10,000.00, Second Prize is \$3000.00 and Third Prize is \$2000.00. I will publish an exact amount that we raised for our Scholarship and Rite Care programs as soon as I receive all of the tickets from across the state. I want to thank all of those individuals who supported this raffle and our kids.



**HUMOR ALWAYS MAKES US FEEL BETTER :** *I am a big college football fan and I hope you are also. Here are a few humorous quotes I thought that you might enjoy;* "Gentlemen, it is better to have died a small boy than to fumble the football" - John Heisman *"It isn't necessary to see a good tackle, you can hear it!"* - Knute Rockne / Notre Dame *"At Georgia Southern, we don't cheat. That costs money, and we don't have any."* - Erik Russell / Georgia Southern *"The man who complains about the way the ball bounces is likely to be the one who dropped it."* - Lou Holtz / Arkansas - Notre Dame *"When you win, nothing hurts."* - Joe Namath / Alabama *"I've found that prayers work best when you have big players."* - Knute Rockne / Notre Dame *"Always remember Goliath was a 40-point favorite over David."* - Shug Jordan / Auburn



**MORE HUMOR FOR ALL YOU GOLFERS OUT THERE:** 24 Laws Of Golf LAW

1: No matter how bad your last shot was, you should have Inner Peace knowing that a crappier one is yet to come. This law does not expire on the 18th hole, since it has the supernatural tendency to extend over the course of a tournament, a summer and,



eventually, a lifetime. LAW 2: Your best round of golf will be followed almost immediately by your worst round ever. The probability of the latter increases with the number of people you tell about the former. LAW 3: Brand new golf balls are water-magnetic. Though this cannot be proved in the lab, it is a known fact that the more expensive the golf ball, the greater its attraction to water. Expensive clubs have been known to be partly made with this most unusual natural alloy. LAW 4: Golf balls never bounce off of trees back into play. If one does, the tree is breaking a law of the universe and should be cut down. LAW 5 The higher a golfer's handicap, the more qualified he deems



himself as an instructor. LAW 6 A golfer hitting into your group will always be bigger than anyone in your group. Likewise, a group you accidentally hit into will consist of a football player, a professional wrestler, a convicted murderer and an IRS agent -- or some similar combination. LAW 7: All 3-woods are demon-possessed. Your Mother in Law does not come close. LAW 8: Golf balls from the same "sleeve" tend to follow one another, particularly out of bounds or into the water. See LAW 3. LAW 9 The last three holes of a round will automatically adjust your score to what it really should be. LAW

10 Golf should be given up at least twice per month. LAW 11: All vows taken on a golf course shall be valid only until the sunset. LAW 12: Since bad shots come in groups of three, your fourth consecutive bad shot is really the beginning of the next group of three. LAW 13: If it isn't broke, try changing your grip. LAW 14: It's surprisingly easy to hole a 50-foot putt when you're lying. LAW 15: Counting on your opponent to inform you when he breaks a rule is like expecting him to make fun of his own haircut. LAW 16 Nonchalant putts count the same as chalang putts. LAW 17 It's not a gimme if you're still 4 feet away. LAW 18: The shortest distance between any two points on a golf course is a straight line that passes directly through the center of a very large tree. LAW 19: You can hit a 2-acre fairway 10% of the time, and a 2-inch branch 90% of the time. LAW 20: Every Time a golfer makes a birdie, he must subsequently make a double or triple bogey to restore the fundamental equilibrium of the universe. LAW 21: If you want to hit a 7-iron as far as Tiger Woods does, simply try to use it to lay up just short of a water hazard. LAW 22: There are two things you can learn by stopping your back swing at the top and checking the position of your hands: how many hands you have, and which one is wearing the glove. LAW 23: A ball you can see in the rough from 50 yards away is not yours. LAW 24: Don't buy a putter until you've had a chance to throw it.



**MASONIC SUNDAY:** : All Masons and their wives are invited to attend Masonic Sunday at Salem United Methodist Church in Thomson, GA, located on the corner of Salem Road and George McDuffie Road on **October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017**, beginning at 11:00 A.M. Guest Speaker will be Grand Master Gary Leazer. A Meal will be provided for all Masons and their wives following the service at the Activities Building adjacent to the church. Please call Kenny May (706-595-3841) for additional details.

**THANKS:** I want to thank the following Scottish Rite Members for their help in pressure washing the sidewalks prior to the KCCH Investiture; Brother Billy Childress, John Cobb, Michael Childress, Jared Fischer and friend Grady. Thanks to all in helping making our facility look great.



**A FEW RITE CARE CLINIC FACTS:** This is the 9<sup>th</sup> year we have had our Rite Care Clinic on Central Avenue in Augusta. Total monies disbursed: \$139,651.00, 316 children and family's lives impacted, 1,912 total sessions (107 evaluations and 1,805 therapy sessions) We are proud to be able to continue to contribute and support this facility and all the good work it does for the children in our area.

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