

Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry

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JULY 5TH, 2018-----TRESTLEBOARD #146
NO DINNER OR MEETING---LOP IS DARK THIS MONTH



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING: *The Executive committee will meet on Thursday, JULY 26th, 2018 at 6:30 pm at the Scottish Rite Center. Hope to see all the members in attendance. If you cannot attend please give the Secretary a call. (Greg Oblak; 706-829-1665)*

YOUR HIGHER DUTY: (Taken from the book, "ABC's of Freemasonry, published in



1915): Do not imagine that your full Masonic duty ends with attending lodge and paying your dues. There are many little duties imposed upon you as a Mason and concerning which you can inform yourself by rehearsing your obligations. But there are other ways that you can distinguish yourself as a Mason. It is your fraternal duty to visit the sick. In the early period of the fraternity it was the custom of Masons to nurse the sick and Masons would take turns in going to the home of an afflicted brother and look after him. But in this day of hospitals and trained nurses that service is not now required. It is expected, however, that Masons will call upon their brethren who are sick and look after their welfare. Do not wait for the Master to call you up and tell you to go and see a sick brother, but whenever you hear of one who is confined to his bed it is your duty to call and see him. Again do not fail to attend the funerals of your deceased brethren. **This is a sacred**





Masonic duty and in this busy age Masons are too fast forgetting it. If there is a time on earth when a Mason's family needs the warmth and sympathy of the fraternity it is in the trying hour when the head of the family has been called to his final rest. It is true that it requires some sacrifice from your business to attend a funeral but there will come a time, and the wisest knows not how soon, when your Masonic brethren may be called upon to assemble about your body. The example you have set in attending Masonic funerals will have a strong influence upon others. **To visit the sick and bury the dead are sacred Masonic duties.** It takes very little time to perform them, but the acts in themselves will distinguish any brother and mark him as a Mason in heart and worthy of our highest esteem. So mote it be.

UNITY and LOVE, combined with HUMILITY, are the safeguard of a Lodge; and if any one opposes them, account him as an ENEMY. (Rev. George Oliver, Book of the Lodge 1849)

AWARDS NIGHT: The Valley of Augusta Scottish Rite will hold their awards night on Thursday, August 2nd, 2018. Dinner will begin at 7:00 P.M. with the ceremonies beginning at 8:00 P.M. Spouses, family and friends are invited. Our Spring Reunion members will receive their the Rings, Caps, Patents, Dues Cards, Photo CD etc. We will also present Double Eagle Awards, The Ralph Studdard Scottish Rite Mason of the Year Award, 50 year awards, Master Craftsman Awards, Scholarships to our recipients this year and other miscellaneous awards. Please come out and enjoy the fellowship and congratulate those brothers receiving these awards.



Great Truths that Little Children Have Learned: 1. No matter how hard you try, you can't baptize cats.

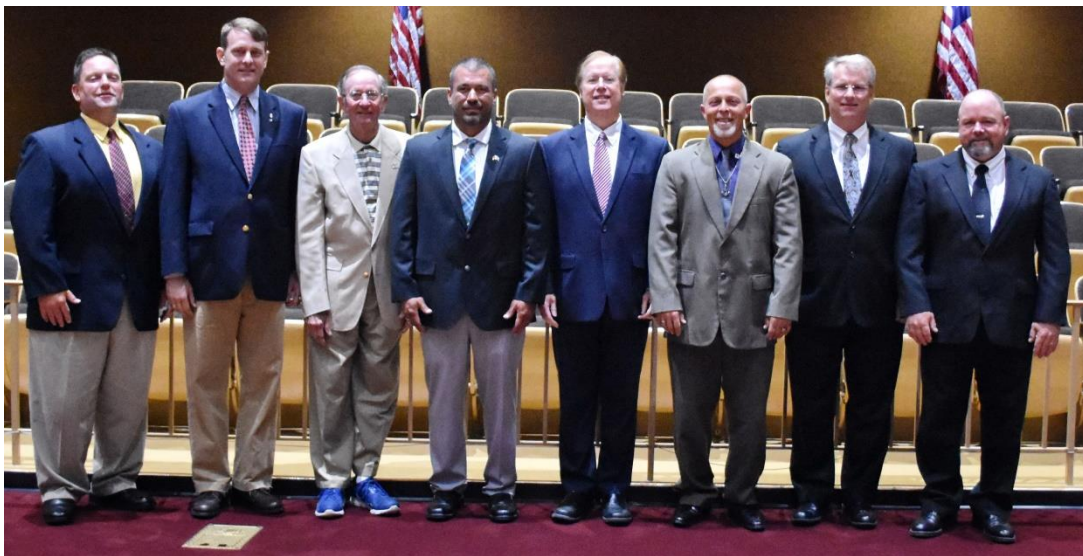


2. When your mom is mad at your dad, don't let her brush your hair. 3. If your sister hits you, don't hit her back, they always catch the second person. 4. Never ask your 3 year old brother to hold a tomato. 5. You can't trust dogs to watch your food. 6. Never hold a dust buster and a cat at the same time. 7. You can't hide a piece of broccoli in a glass of milk. 8. Don't sneeze when someone is cutting your hair. 9.

Don't wear polka-dot underwear under white shorts. 10. The best place to be when you are sad is Grandma's lap. **Great Truths that Adults have Learned:** 1. Raising teenagers is like nailing Jell-O to a tree. 2. Wrinkles don't hurt. 3. Families are like fudge...mostly sweet with a few nuts. 4. Today's mighty oak is just yesterday's nut that held its ground. 5. Laughing is good exercise. It's like jogging on the inside. 6. Middle age is when you choose your cereal for the fiber, not the toy. **Great Truths About Growing Old:** 1. Growing old is mandatory; growing up is optional. 2. Forget the health food. I need all the preservatives I can get. 3. When you fall down, you wonder what else you can do while you're down there. 4. You're getting old when you get the same sensation from a rocking chair that you once got from a roller coaster. 5. It's frustrating when you know all the answers but nobody bothers to ask you the questions. 6. Time may be a great healer, but it's a lousy beautician. 7. Wisdom comes with age, but sometimes age comes alone. **The Four Stages of Life:** 1. You believe in Santa Claus. 2. You don't believe in Santa Claus. 3. You are Santa Claus. 4. You look like Santa Claus.

DUES REMINDER: 2018 Dues (\$75 per year) were payable by December 31, 2017. The Supreme Council will be sending the dues cards for 2019 in the next month or so to each of the valleys. The 2019 dues are payable by December 31, 2018. Many of you have not paid your 2017 & 2018 dues as of this date and will be subject to suspension on December 31, 2018. If you are having financial trouble please contact the office.

PAY YOUR MEMBERSHIP DUES



2018 Spring Reunion (The James L. Huggins Class)

Congratulations are in order for are newest Scottish Rite Masons;
**Donald Brigdon, Wesley Broome, Curtis Edwards, Christopher Knox, Bradley Owens, David
 Owens, James Pope and Joey Reece.**

THE SCOTTISH RITE CREED

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



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