



July 16, 2025

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Brethren:

I am pleased to cordially invite all Scottish Rite Masons, their ladies and guests to the Orient of Mississippi Honour's Coronation and Investiture Ceremony, October 3 – 4, 2025, at the Cadence Bank Convention Center in Tupelo, Mississippi.

The Conferral of the Thirty-third Degree, Inspector General Honorary, will be open to 33° Scottish Rite Masons and 33° Elects only. However, the KCCH Investiture is open to the public, and all are invited to observe. All registered attendees are invited to the Luncheon and Honour's Banquet being held Saturday. Due to limited capacity, ALL events require advance reservations. Therefore, early registration is strongly encouraged.

The ladies are invited to participate in a continental breakfast and activity in the hotel conference room Saturday morning. The Mushroom Degree (*a ladies degree-only*) will be offered at 8:00 am for all current Mushroom's and any lady interested in becoming a member. The fee is \$10, which pays for the pin representing membership in this special group. The breakfast and activity will immediately follow.

Candidates and Degree Teams (except KCCH Degree Team) are required to wear a Black Tuxedo, white shirt, black tie, vest or cummerbund, during the Ceremonies. Tuxedos are required for ALL Scottish Rite Masons at the Banquet. Tuxedo or dark suit is acceptable for guests/others at the Banquet. Ladies should wear proper attire to complement their escort for the Luncheon, Investiture and Banquet.

Please find enclosed lodging information, a schedule of events and registration form. Each person must listed on a registration form and submitted to the Valley Secretary by **Friday, August 29, 2025**, along with payment. This will allow for timely planning in order to reduce waste and unforeseen costs.

Additionally, if you are available to arrive by 1:00 pm on Friday, October 3, 2025, to assist with setting up the Lodge Room in the Cadence Bank Center, please let Ill. Bill Sloan, SGIG (228.261.6109) or me (662.231.9625) know of your intentions to insure there is enough help.

We look forward to a great time of fellowship as we celebrate the newly elected 33° IGH and 32° KCCH Honourmen of Mississippi.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

*C. Dean Thompson, Jr. 33°*

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Personal Representative  
Valley of Corinth

## **LODGING**

### **HILTON GARDEN INN**

363 E. Main Street  
Tupelo, MS 38804  
662.718.5500

Special Room Rate: \$129.00  
(plus tax and fees)

Reference: Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite

The special rate is available for Friday and Saturday nights. If you desire to stay additional nights, please discuss directly with the hotel while making your reservation.

Free, onsite parking.

Cancellations must be made at least 48 hours prior to arrival date.

**The Room Block Deadline: August 31, 2025**

#### **POINTS OF INTEREST:**

- *It is suggested to call the hotel direct and confirm that the representative you are speaking with is located at the hotel.*
- *Reservations made through an 800# or online will not have the ability to see our room block.*
- *Reservations made through Expedia, Travelocity or other travel sites are not owned by the hotel. Therefore, if there is an issue with your reservation, the hotel will refer you back to the company in which your reservation was made.*

## **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

### **Friday, October 3, 2025**

1:00 pm	<b>Lodge Set-up</b> <b>**Volunteers Needed**</b>	<b>Cadence Bank Center</b> <b><i>Meet in hotel lobby @ 1 pm</i></b>
3:30 pm	Registration Opens	Hilton Garden Inn Walnut Room
3:30 – 5:30 pm	Meet and Greet	Hilton Garden Inn Walnut Room
5:00 pm	KCCH Team Practice	Magnolia/Oak Room - Cadence
6:30 pm	33° IGH Team Practice	Magnolia/Oak Room - Cadence
Evening	Dinner on your own	

### **Saturday, October 4, 2025**

8:00 am	Registration Opens	Cadence Bank Center Corridor
8:30 am	33° IGH Candidates Meet	Magnolia/Oak Room - Cadence
	33° IGH Team Assembles	Magnolia/Oak Room
9:15 – 11:00 am	33° Coronation Degree ( <i>Closed</i> )	Magnolia/Oak Room
11:00 am	Professional Pictures to be Taken	Magnolia/Oak Room
11:45 am	Luncheon Doors to Open ( <i>Ticket Required</i> )	Sweetgum Room - Cadence
1:00 pm	32° KCCH Degree Candidates Meet	Magnolia/Oak Room - Cadence
	32° KCCH Degree Team Assembles	Magnolia/Oak Room
1:30 – 3:00 pm	32° KCCH Investiture ( <i>Open</i> ) ( <i>Pictures to follow</i> )	Magnolia/Oak Room
4:45 – 5:30 pm	Social & Pictures	Cadence Bank Center Corridor
5:30 – 7:30 pm	Honour's Banquet ( <i>Ticket Required</i> )	Sweetgum Room - Cadence

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## **LADIES SCHEDULE**

### **Saturday, October 4, 2025**

8:00 am	Royal Order of Mushroom Degree	Hilton Garden Inn Walnut Room
8:30 – apx 11:00 am	Breakfast and Activity	Hilton Garden Inn Walnut Room