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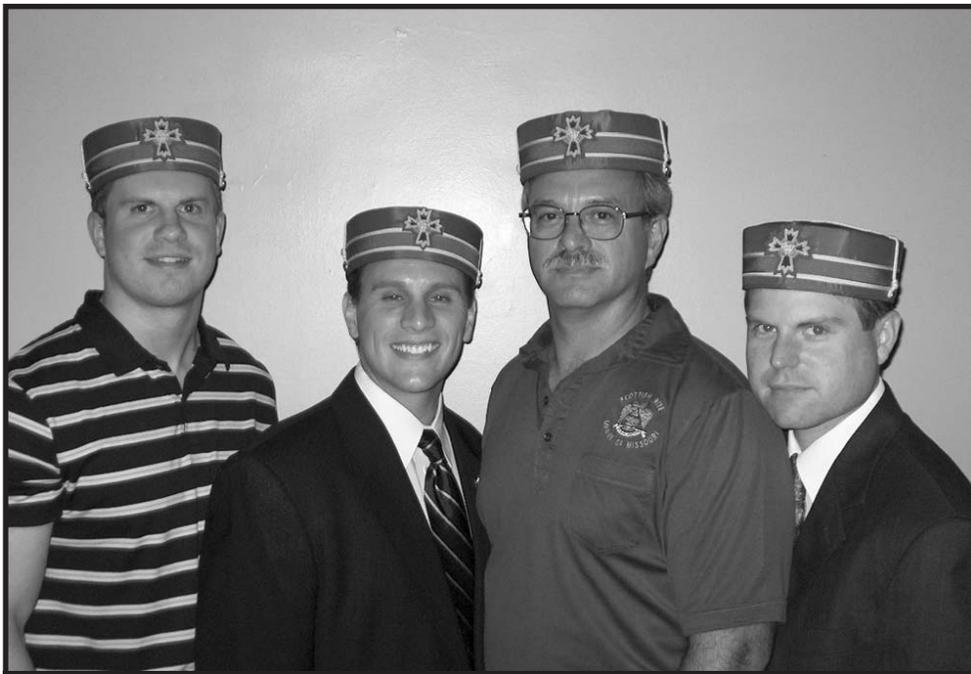
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NEW OFFICERS ELECTED REUNION OCTOBER 29th & 30th



Pictured l- r: Jones, Moreland, Oloteo and Wangelin.

During the September 23, 2004 Four Bodies meeting the following officers were elected and appointed for the 2004-2005 year:

In the Lodge of Michael F. Jones 32° KCCH as Perfection Venerable Master, John C. Caraker 32° KCCH as Senior Warden, Phillip G. Elam 32° KCCH as Junior Warden, Richard A. Roesch 32° as Orator and Michael Marino 32° as Tiler.

For the Chapter Rose Croix K. Trent Moreland 32° KCCH as Wise Master, Robert C. Dorr 32° KCCH as Senior Warden, Daniel L. Stolts 32° as Junior Warden, Martin E. Cates 32° as Orator and Jason Johnston 32 as Standard Bearer.

For the Council of Kadosh Rick A. Oloteo 32° KCCH as Commander, Marc S. Gaby 32° KCCH as 1st Lieutenant Commander, R. Michael Bickel 32° KCCH as 2nd Lieutenant Commander, Henry M. DeWoskin 32° as Chancellor, Steven S. Rothman 32° as Orator and Scott Schultz 32 as Sentinel.

For the St. Louis Consistory Timothy J. Wangelin 32° KCCH as Master of Kadosh, Jeffrey N. Davis 32° as Prior, John Broyles 32° as Preceptor, Harold J. Richardson 32° KCCH as Chancellor, David R. Patrick 32° KCCH as Minister of State and Kurt Witzel 32° as Captain of the Guard.

Best wishes for a successful year!

MARK YOUR CALENDER

Lodge of Perfection
at Cape Girardeau, MO
October 2, 2004

Feast of Tishri
October 14, 2004

KSA Initiation
October 15, 2004

State Wide Reunion
(Joplin, MO)
October 22 - 23, 2004

Fall Reunion
October 29 - 30, 2004

DeMolay Legion of Honor
November 12, 2004

Kid Talk Celebration
November 13, 2004

Installation of Officers
November 18, 2004

Holiday Party
December 10, 2004

St. Louis Brass Band Concert
January 30, 2004

Spring Reunion
March 11 - 12, 2005

Pool & Dart
League Coming Soon!

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What is Leadership? An Editorial

A leader is defined in Webster's New World Dictionary "as a person of thing that leads; directing, commanding, or guiding head, as of a group or activity". Leadership is defined as "the ability to lead".

In the corporate world a leader is responsible for working through others to plan, implement the plans, develop personnel, market a firm's product or service, and make a profit to the satisfaction of the Board of Directors and the Shareowners. He cannot do it all himself and must trust in others to implement their responsibilities. He must trust in his subordinates to do their work and if they are capable he must not undermine their authority by bypassing them in the performance of their responsibilities.

The Scottish Rite has a hierarchy structure that assigns responsibility to members; The Sovereign Grand Inspector General for the management of the Orient, the Personal Representative and Assistant Personal Representative for the operation of the Valley, , the Executive Secretary and his staff for the operation of the office, the Membership Chairman for securing new members, the Editors and Staff of the Rite Way for dissimulation of information, the Coordinator of the Work for the performance and government of the ritual, the Directors of Work of each body for the staffing and portrayal of the ritual for the respective degrees, and the Chairmen of the Various ...

... Committees who support the degrees in the areas of sound, music, property, stage and lighting, reception of candidates and members, makeup and wardrobe. All of these people are essential to the successful portrayal of the work and the fulfillment of the goals of the organization.

The primary responsibility for each of these functions should be empowered to the individuals assigned and no undermining of their positions should take place which will result in loss of respect for them by the members of the Scottish Rite. A leader cannot know everything and should rely of his lieutenants for the day to day operations

The most important lesson that we can learn as leaders is that "No man is an island, no man can stand alone". We must rely on others for the abilities, expertise and dedication. In the end if we practice good leadership principles the organization wins; if we do not, it will lose.

The Editor

The views expressed in **The Rite Way** do not necessarily reflect those of the Supreme Council 33°. The Missouri Orient, the St. Louis Valley or their Officers.

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✍ It's that time of the year again...time to pay your 2005 dues. If you haven't paid for 2003 or 2004, don't become suspended. Remember you can avoid paying annual dues by becoming an life time paid member, the office can help you.

I would invite all our members to visit to recent improvements to our great Cathedral. Your assistance by way of a contribution to the Preservation Association (A 501c3 non-profit) would be appreciated.

On a personal note, Brethren, as many of you know, I have recently remarried and this has brought on additional responsibilities. The properties in Fayette, Missouri and in St. Louis have required more of my time than I had anticipated.

For the past twelve years it has been my pleasure to have served in many administrative positions, including the office of Executive Secretary. Together we have accomplished many notable achievements.

Beverly and I will be traveling a great deal in the future and just enjoying our retirements. I wish my successor the very best and trust that you will support him as you have supported me.

Gil

On The Retirement of Gilbert L. Mattli, 33°

Gilbert Mattli has announced his impending retirement from the position of Executive Secretary of the Valley of Saint Louis, effective December 31, 2004.

Gil has been a hard worker in the vineyards of Freemasonry for over 20 years, serving as Worshipful Master of his lodge in 1984, District Deputy Grand Master in 1986, and in various appendant bodies since then; High Priest of Saint Louis, Missouri Chapter No. 1, Royal Arch Masons, with membership in Hiram Council, Cryptic Masons, as well as Ivanhoe Commandery.

For the Scottish Rite, Gilbert went through the Consistory line, serving as Master of Kadosh and the very challenging job for the Valley of Saint Louis of directing the Scottish Rite parking facility. He served as President of the KCCH Association, and he has been Executive Secretary of the valley since September of 1995.

Gilbert's heart is very devoted to the Masonic fraternity, and I, personally, as Sovereign Grand Inspector General of the Orient of Missouri, fervently hope that he will continue to apply his talents to the benefit of the Valley of Saint Louis. I join with my Personal Representative for this valley, Albert G. Tindall, 33°, in wishing Brother Mattli the very best in his retirement.

Thanks, Gil, for all you have done and will continue to do for our beloved fraternity.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Earl K. Dille, 33°

Sovereign Grand Inspector General

The Sentinel Program

The Supreme Council has gone high tech with a new organizational tool called The Sentinel. It is an on-line database program which will help our Valley in the management of our records and activities.

You will be asked this year to help us update our records and history when you send in your dues. We hope every member will help us to help you by filling out the questionnaire even if you think we should already have the correct information about you.

The Sentinel Program will track each members Scottish Rite history to include clubs, committees, cast and offices held, dues payments, suspensions, reinstatements, and well as lodge and contact information.

Our society is becoming more "High-tech" and the Scottish Rite is going to have to stay up with that technology. As we are able to add information into the system it will help us become more efficient and serve our membership better.

We will also be looking for additional help with the data entry and reporting. If you like to work with computers and have some additional time on you hands and a high speed internet connection please contact Mike Brooks at (314) 966-4129 to volunteer

Please take a few extra minutes this year when you send in your dues to help fill in some blanks. Thanks

Promoting The Concept of Friendship

The considerable impact that Masonry makes to flood the lives of its members with genuine and lasting friendships should be promoted as one of the most important, if not THE most important, reasons to join our fraternity.

Brethren, as we grow older, what do we miss the most? Generally, it usually isn't a continuation of our regular occupations. If we made our living as a surgeon we don't miss removing one more appendix. If we made our living as an attorney we don't miss winning one more court case. If we made our living as an insurance agent we don't miss writing one more insurance policy. If we made our living as a mechanic we don't miss repairing one more engine.

What we miss most is the close pal from the old neighborhood, the one with whom we rode tricycles, fished, and played little league baseball...

We miss the 1st grade teacher who taught us to read, who kept us in from recess to apply poison ivy ointment the doctor sent us...we left her classroom loving her for it.

We miss the 7th grade journalism teacher that sat us down and said he would hang us from "the highest yard arm in the gymnasium" if our writing didn't improve because our first attempt at an editorial was beyond bad...he cared enough to threaten us, and we never turned in another bad editorial.

We miss the college professor who encouraged us when we needed it most, who taught us to think positive.

We miss the college room mate and close friend we don't see much of any more because he, his wife, and his children live so far away. We miss the son, grandson, or nephew serving our country overseas, who doesn't get home very often.

Masonry has to do with self-improvement, philanthropies, and a host of other worthwhile things, but above all else, it's about friendships. It's about human connections.

It's about the very things that people, by their own admission, miss most as they grow older.

Membership in Masonry provides men (and their ladies) with a venue in which they can, on a regular basis, strengthen existing friendships and form new ones, while at the same time be part of something bigger than self and, in the process, help to make the world a better place.

This, brethren, should be THE CORE IDEA for promoting our fraternity to the outside world. The reasons for this are simple. This is what gets men to join the Lodge and the Scottish Rite...This is what gets them to attend meetings and reunions... This is what keeps them paying their dues... This is what keeps them from getting suspended or requesting a demit.

Think about it, brethren. We join, attend, and stay in our fraternity for many reasons, but above all else it's about our friendships, those priceless treasures that can't be measured in terms of dollars and cents.

Steven C. Monrotus, 33°
Master of Kadosh

REUNION

Illustrious Brother Robert D. Titus, 33° was born September 13, 1932 Medcalf, IL. His family moved to Doniphan Missouri where he attended high school until he moved to St. Louis to find work as a young man.

In St. Louis he met the former Doris Williams, whom after dating for three months, proposed and married in 1954.

They began a family of five children, David, Debby, Patti, Jim and Rob. They also have nine grand children and one great grand child on.

Bob also started a very long career at MacDonald Douglas. Bob worked way beyond normal career as a machinist until he health forced his overdue retirement in 1994. He loved Golf and woodworking

Bob was raised a Master Mason in Wentzville Lodge in 1967 and served as Worshipful Master of his Lodge. He was a dual member of Bridgeton Lodge where he had remained an active. His grand son Shawn is also a member of Bridgeton Lodge. Bob was also a member of the Moolah Shrine in the Guides unit.

Bob was a loyal member of the Scottish Rite. He served as Commander of the Council of Kadosh and worked on the Commissary Committee. Well known for arriving very early for meetings to make sure the coffee was ready and that everyone was actually served that cup personally if needed.

He received the Knight Commander Court of Honour on October 17, 1983 and was Coroneted a Thirty Third Degree on November 18, 1995.

Bob was called to the Grand Lodge on High on July 30, 2004 just shy of the age of seventy-two.

Illustrious Robert Titus 33^o and Illustrious Lynn Thompson 33^o Reunion

Illustrious Brother Lynn Thompson was born on March t, 1923 in Holcomb, Mo. He attended grade school in Holcomb and continued his education at Kewanee High School where he attended with his future wife Betty. He was an all star basketball player at Kewanee and starred in 2 state tournaments. He attended Southeast Missouri Teachers College for two years.

Lynn and Betty spent 27 years of their lives farming their land in Lilburn, MO. In or about 1969 he and Betty gave up farming and purchased The Townhouse Best Western Hotel in Cape Girardeau, Mo and Holiday Inn properties in Murray and Mayfield, Kentucky. He served as Regional Governor of the Best Western Hotel Association. After they remodeled the Hotel in Murray, Kentucky, Lynn donate the Beds, Mattresses, Pillows and Linens to the Scottish Rite for a Dormitory for use by candidates during reunions. He also donated a computer used in one of his properties to the Scottish Rite Clinic.

Lynn served the Scottish Rite as Venerable Master of the Lodge of Perfection in 1989 and continued his support for many years after leaving office. He received the Knight Commander Court of Honour on October 17, 1977 and was Coroneted a Thirty Third Degree on November 30, 1985. He was a 52 Year Member of St. Marks' Lodge NO. 93 in Cape Girardeau, Mo. He served the order of DeMolay as a Chapter Dad for many years.

Lynn served his church as a Sunday school teacher for the youth and adult groups for over 25 years. He was ordained a deacon in the First Baptist Church in 1969.

Friday, October 29, 2004

5:00 p.m.	Registration of Candidates
6:00 p.m.	Dinner
6:45 7:45 p.m.	4 th Degree (<i>New Version</i>)
7:45 8:00 p.m.	Break
8:00 8:40 p.m.	8 th Degree
8:40 - 8:55 p.m.	Break
8:55 - 9:25 p.m.	12 th Degree
9:25 - 9:40 p.m.	Break
9:40 - 10:40 p.m.	14 th Degree (<i>New Version</i>)

Saturday, October 30, 2004

7:00 a.m.	Coffee and donuts
8:00 - 9:00 a.m.	15 th Degree
9:00 - 9:15 a.m.	Break
9:15 - 11:00 a.m.	18th Degree (<i>New Version</i>)
11:00 a.m.	Class picture in auditorium.
11:30 - 12 :30 p.m.	Lunch
12:30 - 1:15 p.m.	19th Degree
1:15 - 1:30 p.m.	Break
1:30 - 2:30 p.m.	30 th degree (<i>4th Apartment</i>)
2:30 - 2:45 p.m.	Break
2:45 - 3:45 p.m.	31 st Degree (<i>2nd Apartment</i>)
3:45 - 4:00 p.m.	Break
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.	32 nd Degree (<i>2nd Apartment</i>)

He was a member of the Board for the Aged in Ironton, Mo. Throughout his life he was a generous person always extending a helping hand to those in need.

He and his wife retired to a duplex they purchased in Saxony Village in Cape Girardeau, Mo. They were

Married for 62 years and had 5 daughters. They included in their family 11 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren

Lynn was called to the Grand Lodge on High on April 30, 2004 at the age of eighty one. The Scottish Rite lost one of its finest supporters and benefactors.

Dave Wright Membership Chair

Bud Tindall has announced Dave Wright as Membership Chairman. Dave will launching some very aggressive membership programs. If you would like to assist in working on this important committee contact Dave at (314) 220-1001

Dave is a Past Master of and currently Secretary of Mizpah Mt. Moriah Lodge #40, member of Naphtali Lodge #25, member of Clayton Lodge #601, Officer in the Consistory, on the Development Board for The Scottish Rite Clinic, one of the founding Officers for The Knights of St. Andrew, member of The Scottish Rite Ambassadors Club, Vice President of Moolah Shrine Past Masters Committee, member of York Rite, member of The Square Club, a Past President of a Rotary Club, and is on the Traffic Commission Board for The City of Ferguson.

He and his family own several companies; Shopping Center Services Inc.; Four Rivers Real Estate LLC; Four Rivers Property Management; Four Rivers Salt and Supply; partners in Commercial Door and Services Inc.

He and his wife Susannah have been married for 26 years. They have two children; Chaunessy 24 years old and Christopher 22 years old.



Dave Wright

NEMO Honors Mobile Kid Talk

NEMO Scottish Rite Club honor members of the Clinic with dinner, flowers, certificates and a cash presentation during their July meeting in Elsberry, MO.

Mrs. Darcy Cheek talked about the work of the Mobile Kid Talk program and how it has "Worked wonders" with her son Ethan. Mr. & Mrs. Cheek "Were so thrilled when we began understanding the majority of his speech".



1st row: Margaret Gruzardo, Laura Rossman & Carrie Fonti. 2nd row: John Wetzal, Francis "Pete" Johnson & Don Bower

Scottish Rite Brass entertain the NEMO Scottish Rite Club during their September Meeting. Special guest **Steve Lilley** on Cornet.

Steve is a local resident of Elsberry, MO and well known in traditional jazz circles across the country.



Scottish Rite Library

The St. Louis Scottish Rite Library committee would like to thank the following individuals for their recent contributions:

**Charles Iselin
Gil Mattli
Gary Larrabee**

Looking Ahead at Reunions

Following are the degrees to be conferred over the next 2 years:

Spring, 2005

4th Degree - Secret Master
5th Degree - Perfect Master
7th Degree - Provost & Judge
14th Degree - Perfect Elu
17th Degree - Knight of the East & West
18th Degree - Knight Rose Croix
29th Degree - Scottish Knight of St. Andrew
30th Degree - Knight Kadosh
32nd Degree - Master of the Royal Secret (Full Version)

Fall, 2005

4th Degree - Secret Master
9th Degree - Elu of the Nine
10th Degree - Elu of the Fifteen
11th Degree - Elu of the Twelve
14th Degree - Perfect Elu
16th Degree - Prince of Jerusalem
18th Degree - Knight Rose Croix
22nd Degree - Knight of the Royal Ax
30th Degree - Knight Kadosh
32nd Degree - Master of the Royal Secret (Full Version)

Spring, 2006

4th Degree - Secret Master
14th Degree - Perfect Elu
15th Degree - Knight of the East, Sword & Eagle
18th Degree - Knight Rose Croix
27th Degree - Prince of the Sun or Prince Adept
28th Degree - Knight Commander of the Temple
30th Degree - Knight Kadosh
31st Degree - Inquisitor Egyptian Master
32nd Degree - Master of the Royal Secret

Robert Hardester
Coordinator of Work

Tech Year Ahead

You know you are living in the year 2004 when:

1. Your reason for not staying in touch with some family and friends is that they do not have e-mail.
2. You have a list of 15 phone numbers to reach your family of three.
3. Your grandmother asks you to send her a JPEG file of your newborn so she can create a screen saver.
4. You pull up in your own driveway and use your cell phone to see if anyone is home.
5. Every commercial on television has a web site address at the bottom of the screen.
6. You buy a computer and 3 months later, it is out of date and sells for half the price (or less) than you paid for it.
7. Leaving the house without your cell phone, which you did not have the first 20 or 30 years of your life, is now a cause for panic and you turn around to go get it.
8. Using real money, instead of a credit or debit card, to make a purchase would be a hassle and take planning.
9. You just tried to enter your password on the microwave.
10. You consider second-day air delivery painfully slow.
11. Your dining room table is now your flat filing cabinet.
12. Your idea of being organized is multiple-colored Post-it notes.
13. You hear most of your jokes via e-mail instead of in person.
14. You get an extra phone line so you can get phone calls.
15. You disconnect from the Internet and you get an awful feeling as if you just pulled the plug on a loved one.
16. You get up in the morning and go online before getting your coffee.
17. You wake up at 2 AM to go to the bathroom and check your e-mail on your way back to bed.
18. You start tilting your head sideways to smile. :)
19. You are reading this -- and nodding and laughing.
20. Even worse, you know exactly who you are going to forward this to!

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In The Scottish Rite Dining Room

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*Ladies bring your favorite holiday desert
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