



**“Everyone must take time to sit and watch the leaves turn”
 - Elizabeth Lawrence**

Schedule of Events

Be sure to mark your calendar

SEPTEMBER

- Sept. 2-3 Signature Theater Show-----7:00pm
- Sept. 3 Lodge #99-----6:30pm
- Sept. 4 Coffee and Donuts-----8:00am - 9:30am
- Sept. 4 Elmo Lodge of Perfection
 RSVP by calling----- (316) 263-4218
 Dinner-----6:30pm
 Meeting-----7:15pm
 Ladies Meeting-----7:15pm
 “Learning to make hors d’ouvrs”
- Sept. 4 Champagne & Chocolate Meeting----5:30pm
- Sept. 5 Community Daylight Lodge-----10:00am
- Sept. 5 DeMolay-----7:00pm
- Sept. 6 Bestor G. Brown Lodge #433-----7:00pm
- Sept. 7 York Rite-----7:00pm
- Sept. 8 Rainbow Girls-----10:00am
- Sept. 9 Knights of St. Andrew - Practice-----2:00pm
- Sept. 10 Lodge #99-----6:30pm
- Sept. 11 Coffee and Donuts-----8:00am - 9:30am
- Sept. 13 Bestor G. Brown Lodge #433-----7:00pm
- Sept. 14 Beauceant Meeting-----12:00pm
- Sept. 14 York Rite-----7:00pm
- Sept. 16 Knights of St. Andrew - Practice-----2:00pm
- Sept. 17 Lodge #99-----6:30pm
- Sept. 18 Coffee and Donuts-----8:00am - 9:30am
- Sept. 18 Champagne & Chocolate Meeting----5:30pm
- Sept. 19 Community Daylight Lodge-----10:00am
- Sept. 19 DeMolay-----7:00pm
- Sept. 20 Bestor G. Brown Lodge #433-----7:00pm
- Sept. 20 Knights of St. Andrew-----7:00pm
- Sept. 21 Beauceant Meeting-----12:00pm
- Sept. 21 York Rite-----7:00pm
- Sept. 22 Rainbow Girls-----10:00am
- Sept. 23 Knights of St. Andrew
 Installation Luncheon-----1:30pm
- Sept. 24 Lodge #99-----6:30pm
- Sept. 25 Coffee & Donuts-----8:00am - 9:30am

Champagne & Chocolate Fantasy
Friday October 5, 2012
 Doors Open: 6:00 pm
 Wichita Scottish Rite Center
 332 East First St.

DIAMONDS & DENIM

Benefit in support of RiteCare™ at the
 Wichita State University College of Health
 Professions, Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic

Hors d’oeuvres with the finest in
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 Live & Silent Auction

**Tickets \$40 per person
 or 2 for \$75**
 Reservations must be received by
 Friday, September 28.
 For reservations or more information call:
(316) 263-4218

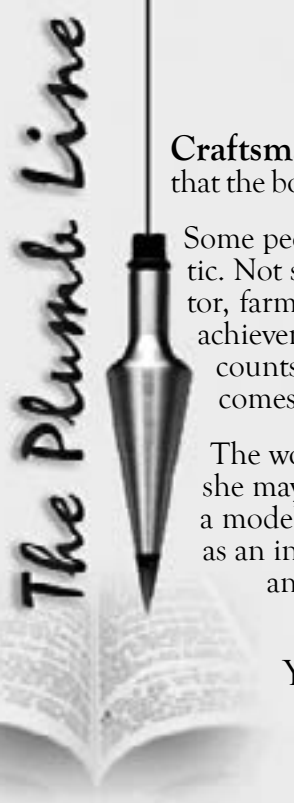
Mark your calendars
 for the next Scottish Rite Class!
Friday & Saturday, October 12 & 13, 2012

Invite your friends and brother Master Masons
 to seek “further light” in Masonry by becoming a
 Scottish Rite Mason!
 Call (316) 263-4218
 for more information or if you need a petition!

Oh, Supreme Architect of the Universe,
What does the Bible say about special human skills?

{Human Craftsmanship}

*“Reward her for all she has done. Let her deeds publicly declare her praise.”
 (Proverbs 33:31)*



Craftsmanship is a many-sided gift for both sexes. Proverbs has a lot to say about women. How fitting that the book ends with a picture of a woman of strong character, great wisdom, many skills, and great compassion.

Some people have the mistaken idea that the ideal woman in the Bible is retiring, servile, and entirely domestic. Not so! This woman is an excellent wife and mother. She is also a manufacturer, importer, manager, realtor, farmer, seamstress, upholsterer, and merchant. Her strength and dignity do not come from her amazing achievements, however. They are the result of her reverence for God. In our society where physical appearance counts for so much, it may surprise us to realize that her appearance is never mentioned. Her attractiveness comes entirely from her character.

The woman described in this chapter has outstanding abilities. Her family’s social position is high. In fact, she may not be one woman at all -- she may be a composite portrait of ideal womanhood. Do not see her as a model to imitate in every detail; your days are not long enough to do everything she does! See her instead as an inspiration to be all you can be. We can’t be just like her, but we can learn from her industry, integrity, and resourcefulness.

Yours in the Faith,



ALAN A. AAGAARD, 33°
 ASSOCIATE CHAPLAIN

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Well here we are at the Fall of the year again, it seems that the years are passing much faster than they did in the past! As I told you in my last communication, the Center may have been dark during the summer months but we certainly have not be inactive!

Work continues on the exterior of the building, slowed somewhat by the excessive heat we have had this summer but we are still making good progress and it is already beginning to look much more impressive with clean stone work and refurbished windows. During this work we have been given the opportunity to prove to all of the concerned city, state and federal agencies that we are following the proscribed guidelines for historic preservation, city licensing and permit requirements and federal safety requirements. We have had visits from all of those agencies during the work and all have gone away assured that we are doing all of the things that we should be doing an doing it safely. Visits from the City of Wichita, OSHA and the Historical Preservation office can be stressful to say the least but I am proud to say that our people and the contractor handled them all very professionally and with positive results. It makes the statement that we have been, are and will continue to take good care of our grand building so that it can continue as one of the premier sites in Wichita.

We have also added some new tenants during the summer months, the York Rite Bodies and Beauceant have both moved into the Center and we are extremely happy to have them as tenants and partners in Masonry. The York Rite bodies will hold their first class at the Center this Fall and we are looking forward to that event.

Our first Masonic Blood Drive at the Center was held on August 7, we had 26 who signed up to give blood which I think was very good for our first time. We hope to do another blood drive next year as we reach out to our community and try to become a more active participant in our community. Thanks to all of those who signed up to give blood and those who helped out to make this a successful effort.

Our second annual Poker Run was a great success with about \$1,300 being collected for our Rite Care Clinic. We had much better participation this year as a result of the efforts of our Executive Secretary, Jim Davenport assisted by David Ryan, Mike Ward, Brian Byrd, and others who helped to promote the Ride for the Rite within Wichita and the surrounding areas and see that it was well organized and run. We hope that next year will be even better.

We have our Fall Reunion/Class coming up on October 12 and 13, we hope to have at least as many candidates as we had in the Spring class which was 21. We are planning on having a banquet following the October class so get your candidates lined up and get their petitions to us as soon as possible. I know that many of the blue lodges are busy doing degree work right now and that gives us a good pool of possible candidates to draw from but we need to talk to them about Scottish Rite Masonry. There will be a couple of Masonic Information Nights before the class so check the calendar for dates or contact the office or Midian Shrine for details. These events are a good way to get new candidates to Masonry or men who have completed their blue lodge work introduced to the Scottish Rite.

We have many activities going on at the Center and with all of our new residents that will only increase. The Center looks better than it has in years and is running more efficiently thanks to the efforts of our maintenance staff and Executive Secretary, we encourage you to stop by and take a look for yourselves, I think you will be very impressed with what has been accomplished. We will be glad to show you around and visit with you about all projects that we have in work now and our plans to continue to make the Wichita Scottish Rite Center a premier facility in Wichita.

Remember, this is YOUR Scottish Rite, you are not only a member but you have an interest in this great building we have and a responsibility to the Fraternity to see that it continues to grow and stay strong. We need you to be involved to whatever level you can be, it takes all of us, not just a few of us!



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The bodies of the
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Scottish Rite of Freemasonry,
sitting in the Orient of Kansas,
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of the Thirty-Third Degree
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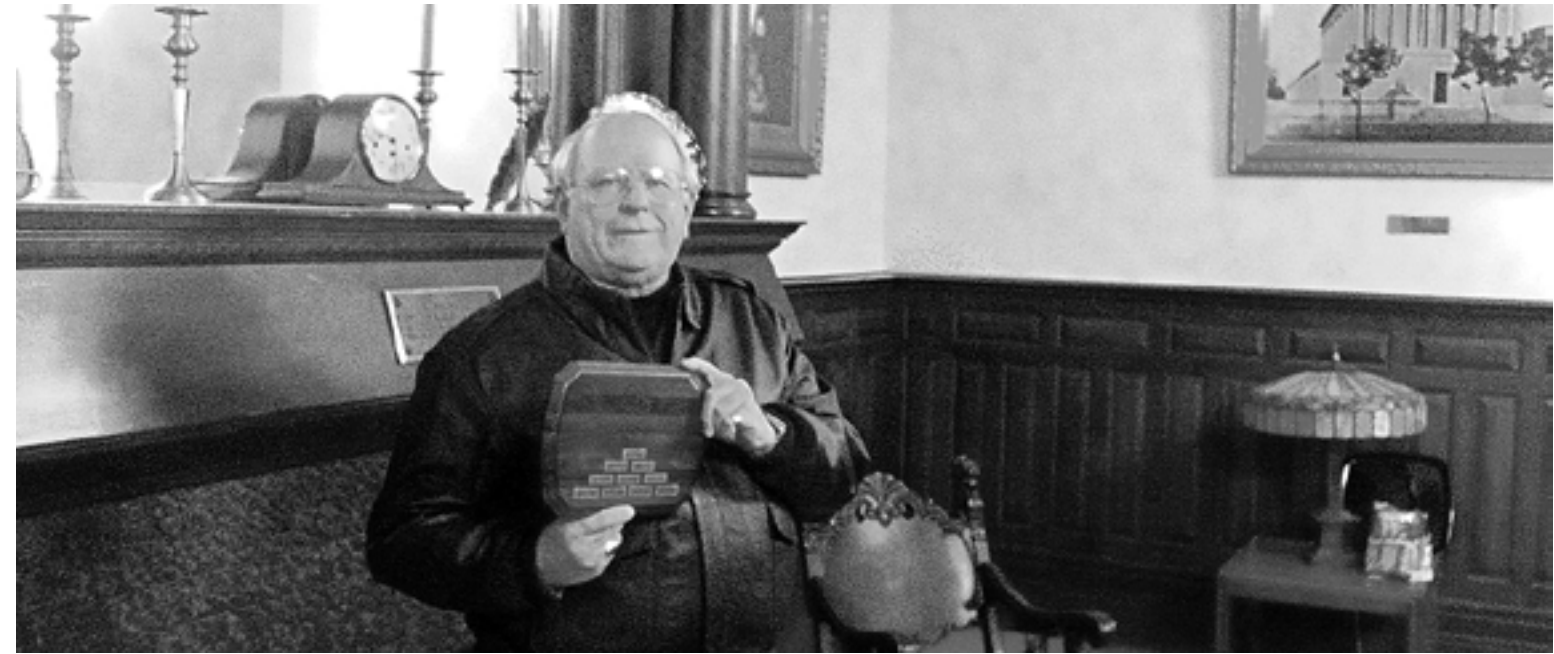
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Fraternally
Scott Kailer, 33°
Personal Representative
Wichita Scottish Rite

Join the Benjamin Franklin Club!!!

"It is a grand mistake to think of being great without goodness and I pronounce it as certain that there was never a truly great man that was not at the same time truly virtuous." ~Benjamin Franklin



The great thing is that ANYONE can join! Show your support of the Wichita Scottish Rite legacy by making a donation. Each \$100 dollars you donate earns you a new tab on your plaque. A plaque is full when you reach \$1000 dollars! You can space your donations out over months or years – just do what works for YOU!!! Sign up by stopping by or if you live far away, you can send in for a plaque by detaching and filling out below:



YES! I would like to become a member of the Ben Franklin Club:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Beginning Donation Amount (please check one):

\$100

\$500

\$1000



Brother Scottish Rite Masons:

Although Elmo has been dark during July and August, we have been very busy. We've had good attendance for coffee and donuts on Tuesday mornings, and at the free lunch the 4th Thursday of each month. I was very pleased with the turn out for the "Poker Run" this year, David Ryan, Mike Ward, and Brian Byrd did an excellent job in setting it up and getting the information out to the people who attend the poker runs.

We hosted a Blood Drive on Tuesday, August 7, from 3:00p.m. to 7:00p.m. our goal was to have at least 30 people donate, but we had 26. The Red Cross was pleased we had that many for our first blood drive. Special thanks to those who helped to make it a success.

I want to say THANKS to Dorothy, Lisa, Tony, and Leroy for the great job they do here at the Scottish Rite Center! They do the work and I get credit for how nice it is looking and how pleasant they are to work with.

With your help and support we can continue to be proud of the most beautiful building in Wichita.

*Fraternally submitted with Brotherly Love,
Jim Davenport, 33°
Executive Secretary*

Donors for July and August, 2012

To the Wichita Scottish Rite Trust,
Kansas Scottish Rite Foundation, Almoners, Rite Care Clinic of Wichita State University,
and to the Legacy III Funds

John Alford
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"They Remain In Our Hearts"

Departed Brethren
June 6, 2012 through August 10, 2012

Arnett, Jr., Herman E. 32°	Kolarik, Max 32°	Redman, David A. 32°
Bush, Frank H. 32°	Martens, Henry J. 32°	Richards, Chester R. 32°
Hembree, Warren M. 32°	Mauldin, Woodrow L. 32°	Stafford, Jack D. 32°
Loring, Bert D. 32°	Merz, Leon M. 32°	Thornton, Verne 32° KCCH

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- Sept. 27 Free Lunch-----11:30am - 1:00pm
- Sept. 27 Bestor G. Brown Lodge #433-----7:00pm
- Sept. 28 York Rite-----6:30pm

OCTOBER 2012

- Oct. 1 Lodge #99-----6:30pm
- Oct. 2 Coffee and Donuts-----8:00am - 9:30am
- Oct. 2 Elmo Lodge of Perfection-----7:00pm
- Oct. 3 Community Daylight Lodge-----10:00am
- Oct. 3 DeMolay-----7:00pm
- Oct. 4 Bestor G. Brown Lodge #433-----7:00pm
- Oct. 5 York Rite-----7:00pm
- Oct. 5 Champagne & Chocolate Fund Raiser
for our "Rite Care™ Speech, Language,
and Hearing Clinic at WSU"
----- Doors Open at 6:00pm
- Oct. 6 Rainbow Girls-----10:00am
- Oct. 8 Lodge #99-----6:30pm
- Oct. 9 Coffee and Donuts-----8:00am - 9:30am
- Oct. 10 Daughters of Nile-----5:30pm
- Oct. 11 Bestor G. Brown Lodge #433-----7:00pm
- Oct. 12 York Rite-----7:00pm
- Oct. 12 Beauceant-----12:00pm
- Oct. 15 Lodge #99-----6:30pm
- Oct. 16 Coffee and Donuts-----8:00am - 9:30am
- Oct. 17 Community Daylight Lodge-----10:00am
- Oct. 17 DeMolay-----7:00pm
- Oct. 18 Bestor G. Brown Lodge #433-----7:00pm
- Oct. 18 Knights of St. Andrew-----7:00pm
- Oct. 19 York Rite-----7:00pm
- Oct. 22 Lodge #99-----6:30pm
- Oct. 24 Coffee and Donuts-----8:00am - 9:30am
- Oct. 25 Free Lunch-----11:30am - 1:00pm
- Oct. 25 Bestor G. Brown Lodge #433-----7:00pm
- Oct. 26 York Rite-----6:30pm
- Oct. 26 Beauceant-----12:00pm
- Oct. 27 York Rite Class-----8:00am
- Oct. 29 Unity Council-----7:00pm
- Oct. 30 Coffee and Donuts-----8:00am - 9:30am
- Oct. 31 Halloween-----brings Trick or Treaters to your door



SAVE THE DATE!
Sunday, November 18th
Wine Tasting @ The Scottish Rite



Look for details in our next newsletter!

KNIGHTS OF ST. ANDREW WORK DAYS

During the month of June the Knights had planned 2 workdays. The purpose was to help with exterior painting that needed to be done.

Even though we were rained out on Saturday the 16th I wanted to thank Jim Davenport 33°, Executive Secretary; Scott Kailer 33°, Personal Representative, and Kevin Coons 32° Venerable Master for the Knights of St. Andrew, for their showing up to work. Sausage & biscuits, and coffee were served.

On June 23rd the pancake breakfast was postponed due to the small turnout. Kevin Coons assisted me with painting the parking lot fence on the north side of the building.

I want to thank all of the above who made an effort to turn out we still made at least a small dent in the projects that need to be worked on. Because we voted to go dark during July & August, our next Knights of St. Andrew Meeting will be September 20th @ 7:00pm

*Tony Nelzen 32° KCCH
Secretary/Treasurer-Knights of St Andrew*

THE RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE HELD ON AUGUST 7, 2012, WAS A SUCCESS!

A special thanks to Retta Bass, Lloyd Geist, Sue Sheets, Mike Snively, Floyd Walpole, Bill Webber, Rainbow Girls, and other volunteers who helped make this event go so smoothly. A special thanks to Leroy and Mary Roseberry, who catered the event. A big thank you also goes out the Scottish Rite Staff. Thanks to all who helped us get the word out by making calls and sharing the event via social media like Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram - this event wouldn't have been near as successful without these means of publicity. Each and every day someone, somewhere needs blood. The blood drive resulted in 26 presenting blood donors, and the Red Cross



was able to collect 19 pints of life-saving blood. Because each donation could help up to three patients, these pints of blood could actually help up to 57 lives!

The 2013 Dues Notices

...will soon be coming to a mailbox near you, so be on the lookout! Your membership helps your Wichita Scottish Rite continue the philanthropy it is so well known for! We are also doing an amazing and cost effective job of maintaining our historic building. Your dues help all of those causes and more! **THANK YOU** for being a member!

Orient Information Technology (IT) Summit

On Saturday October 27, 2012, there will be an Orient-wide IT summit held at the Valley of Topeka. The purpose of this summit will be to develop a plan for the use of any and all communication channels to communicate with the membership. The meeting will begin at 9:30am at the Topeka Scottish Rite building.

Things to be discussed are: eMail, FaceBook, Twitter, newsletters, the Orient website, or any other means of communication that it would make sense for the Valleys to use in order to keep the membership informed and up to date. This summit is open to any member who would like to attend and/or has expertise in any of the IT disciplines.

If you are interested in attending, please contact the office at (316) 263-4218 and let us know that you would like to attend. An agenda and further information will be distributed as it is developed.

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF THE WORK



Dear Scottish Rite Brothers:

The Summer months are passing quickly and I hope everyone is having a good Summer despite the heat. Our Fall Reunion will be here before we know it, and it will be our last opportunity to welcome new members in 2012. The reunion dates are October 12th & 13th. We will confer the 4th and 14th Degrees on Friday evening and the remainder of the degrees on Saturday.

Also, on the schedule for the Fall Reunion will be the 29th Degree portrayed by the members of the Knights of Andrew. They have been working hard on this degree so please come out and watch them do the work.

At our Spring Reunion, we were fortunate to have a good-sized class, and our hopes are high that we will again have a good number of candidates taking this class. I know the area Blue Lodges are really busy and working hard to have a lot of new Master Masons ready to join the Scottish Rite.

As always, I want to invite anyone interested in doing degree work to let me know. I am always looking for more people to learn parts. We can always use help working on the stage, working in wardrobe, and other duties as well. I have had a new volunteer to help with checking in the actors for the various degrees, but could use one more. So, if you are interested please let me know.

Please talk to your family, friends, and Masonic Brothers about joining the Scottish Rite. We would love to have a large class this Fall.

I am looking forward to seeing you all again soon.

*Fraternally,
Ron Van Etten, 33°
Director of Work*

I want to give a public thank you

to two guys that have put a lot of work in the physical part of the Scottish Rite. **Chet Hockett 33° & Ross Smith 33°** have put in a lot of sweat-equity in the auditorium of our Scottish Rite over a LOT of years and June 28th was no exception. Chet & Ross spent the day working on wiring and lighting on the stage.

Clay Thomas 32° also spent the day not only helping those two but also replacing lighting in two of the light fixtures in the Crystal Room. The Crystal Room presented a challenge. Clay said the first fixture took half of a day the other took only an hour. He is planning to spend some more time helping to change the fluorescent lighting in the building over to the more efficient T8 lamps. His efforts are greatly appreciated.

I know my name shows up a lot in the Double Eagle (more than I think it should) and I appreciate it. However, this organization and building represent a team effort. No one person can make this organization work. It takes all of the membership participating in some manner and form of support. I think we are beginning to see more and more of this taking place and I think those members who helped start the Scottish Rite in Wichita would be proud of what we are doing.

*Fraternally,
Tony Nelzen-32° KCCH
Maintenance*