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THE WICHITA SCOTTISH RITE DOUBLE EAGLE

“...RAIN, SLEET, SNOW, NOR ICE...”

Schedule of Events

Be sure to mark your calendar

May 2013

May	1	Community Daylight Lodge	10:00am
May	1	DeMolay	7:00pm
May	2	Bestor G. Brown Lodge #433	7:00pm
May	3	York Rite	6:30pm
May	4	Shrine Ladies Luncheon Midian Shrine Auditorium	11:30am
May	5	Lodge #99 ~ Study Club	2:00pm
May	6	Lodge #99	6:30pm
May	6	Practice for "...Rememberance..."	6:30pm
May	7	Coffee & Donuts	8:00am - 9:30am
May	7	"Ceremonial of Remembrance"	7:30pm
May	7	Dinner	6:30pm
		Family member of departed	no charge
		Members	\$12.50 per person
May	9	Bestor G. Brown Lodge #433	7:00pm
May	10	Beauceant Lunch in Annex Knight's Meeting Room	12noon
May	10	York Rite	6:30pm
May	11	Rainbow Girls Meeting	10:00am
May	12	Lodge #99 ~ Study Club	2:00pm
May	13	Lodge #99	6:30pm
May	14	Coffee & Donuts	8:00am - 9:30am
May	15	Community Daylight Lodge	10:00am
May	15	DeMolay	7:00pm
May	16	Knight's of St. Andrew Meeting	7:00pm
May	16	Bestor G. Brown Lodge #433	7:00pm
May	17	York Rite	6:30pm
May	19	Lodge #99 ~ Study Club	2:00pm
May	20	Lodge #99	6:30pm
May	21	Coffee & Donuts	8:00am - 9:30am
May	23	Bestor G. Brown Lodge #433	7:00pm
May	24	Beauceant Lunch in Annex Knight's Meeting Room	12noon
May	24	York Rite	6:30pm
May	25	Rainbow Girls Meeting	10:00am
May	26	Lodge #99 ~ Study Club	2:00pm
May	27	Lodge #99	6:30pm
May	28	Coffee & Donuts	8:00am - 9:30am
May	30	Free Lunch	11:30am - 1:00pm

TO THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF DEPARTED SCOTTISH RITE BRETHREN AND ALL SCOTTISH RITE MASONS

The Wichita Scottish Rite will be having a Remembrance and Renewal ceremony on Tuesday, May 7, 2013. We will be honoring those whose names were inscribed on the roll of our departed brethren in 2012 and 2013. We would be honored for you to attend. This is the first time we have performed this ceremony which is being held in lieu of our usual Extinguishing and Relighting of the Lights. We hope you will join us.

There will be a dinner beginning at 6:30pm with the Remembrance and Renewal ceremony to follow at 7:30pm. This will be an evening of fellowship and celebration of the lives that have brought us together. Please let us know you plan to attend by calling us to RSVP at (316) 263-4218. Cost for dinner is \$12.50 per person, immediate family of departed brethren will attend as our guest.

CELEBRATE

25 & 50 YEAR MEMBERS



We look forward to honoring those who have been members of our Wichita Scottish Rite for 25-50 years.

Mark your calendars for June 4th!

We will be dining together at 6:30pm in fellowship with our 25-50 year members. Everyone is welcome! 25-50 year members are our guests. Cost for dinner for all others is only \$15.00 and will be cooked by Chef LeRoy Roseberry, 32°.

Please join us!

Call the office at (316) 263-4218 to

RSVP.

Thank you!

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Oh, Supreme Architect of the Universe,

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT LISTENING?

After the earthquake there was a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire there was the sound of a gentle whisper. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And a voice said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" (1 Kings 19:12-13)

Listening for God is training in humility. Elijah knew that the sound of the gentle whisper was God's voice. He realized that God doesn't reveal himself only in powerful, miraculous ways. To look for God only in something big (rallies, churches, conferences, highly visible leaders) may be to miss him, because he is often found gently whispering in the quietness of a humbled heart. Are you listening for God? Step back from the noise and activity of your busy life, and listen humbly and quietly for his guidance. It may come when you least expect it.

My dear brothers and sisters, be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to get angry. Your anger can never make things right in God's sight (James 1: 19-27)

Spiritual listening allows us to learn from others. When we talk too much and listen too little, we communicate to others that we think our ideas are much more important than theirs. James wisely advises us to reverse this process. Put a mental stopwatch on your conversations, and keep track of how much you talk and how much you listen. When people talk with you, do they feel that their viewpoints and ideas have value? We can measure the effectiveness of our Bible study time by the effect it has on our behavior and attitudes.

Do you put into action what you have studied?

Yours in the Faith,

PAX
{Latin for Peace}

ALAN A. AAGAARD, 33°
ASSOCIATE CHAPLAIN

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JUNE'S CALENDAR
IS CONTINUED ON
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With whom do you stand Brethren? Are there faces lacking from this group which you knew in the past year? Have you laid a friend and Brother to rest?

The above are questions asked in the "Ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal" which is a remembrance of those Brothers who have passed from this life in the last year. We will be holding this ceremony at our May 7, 2013, Elmo Lodge meeting. We will have a dinner to which the families of our departed brothers will be invited with the "Ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal" following the dinner. This will be an open meeting to which your lady as well as guests are invited to attend. I encourage you to plan on attending this event both to honor those Brothers who have passed on in the last year and to show their families how much those men meant to us as friends and Brothers. We have lost many in the last twelve months, all will be missed but they will live on in our memories. Again quoting from the ritual: "Wherever they may be, the Knights Rose Croix form a great circle which encompasses the past as well as the present."

Even though these Brothers are gone from our sight they are still a part of us and a part of the fraternal chain that includes links which pass into eternity.

The Working Tools of an Entered Apprentice Mason

The **Common Gavel** is an instrument made use of by operative Masons to break off the rough and superfluous parts of stones, the better to fit them for the builder's use; but we, as Free and Accepted masons, are taught to make use of it for the more noble and glorious purpose of divesting our minds and consciences of all the vices and superfluities of life, thereby fitting ourselves as living stones, for that spiritual building, that house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.



This ceremony replaces the Maundy-Thursday/Easter services that we have done for so many years, but in many ways it is similar and expresses the same eternal hope that we hear about in the 18th degree. We have chosen to move to this new "Ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal" to more closely focus on our fraternity and those to whom we owe so much. This will be our first performance and I look forward to having you join us to honor our departed Brothers and their families as well as to give us your feedback on the ceremony.



Ill. R. Scott Kailer, 33°
Personal Representative in the
Valley of Wichita of the Sovereign
Grand Inspector General in Kansas
and
Assistant Personal Representative

On another note, after many years as our Membership Chairman, Bob Giesen, 33° has asked to step down from that position. He will continue to be involved in our membership activities and we owe Bob a big **THANK YOU** for all of the work he has put into developing our membership plan! David Ryan, 32° has accepted the position of Membership Chairman for the Wichita Scottish Rite. I am sure that David will do an outstanding job and we welcome him to this leadership position within the Scottish Rite. Remember, membership is not just a one man job, it takes all of us to bring in new men who we feel would be good Scottish Rite Masons, so don't be afraid to offer your help to David in recruiting new members.

New events are being planned, changes are coming that will allow us to better serve the public as well as our membership and we continue to reach out to the community as a part of our effort to become more known and involved in our local area. It is truly an exciting time and I am proud of the efforts being made by our staff and our members to make the Wichita Scottish Rite the premier Scottish Rite Center in Kansas and the place to be in Wichita Masonry!

Fraternally,
R. Scott Kailer, 33°
Personal Representative
Wichita Scottish Rite

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The bodies of the
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the Orient of Kansas,
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Supreme Council
of the Thirty-Third Degree
for the Southern Jurisdiction of the
United States of America
(Mother Supreme Council
of the World)

Whose See is at Charleston in the State
of South Carolina,
and the House of the Temple,
Washington, D.C.

of which
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and
Ill. Hugh W. Gill, 33°
Sovereign Grand Inspector General
in Kansas
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Life Membership

A member in good standing with Elmo Lodge of Perfection, whose dues are paid to date may purchase a LIFE MEMBERSHIP and thereby be relieved from further payment of dues, subject to the provisions set forth.

Fees for and Life Membership shall be:

18	but less than	50 years old	\$2,000
50	but less than	60 years old	\$1,500
60	but less than	70 years old	\$1,000
70	years old and above		\$500

Date _____

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City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Member ID Number _____

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"What we have done for ourselves alone dies with us;
what we have done for others and the world remains and is immortal." ~ Albert Pike

As you read this article our Spring Reunion of April 19th and 20th will be history. I want to thank everyone that participated and made the reunion a success. We had several “new” people participate in these degrees, and they did a great job. It’s important that we are able to have Brothers that are willing to learn parts and help with the reunion. It is great that we have a mixture of the experienced and veterans with the new. We were all new to the degree at one time in our Masonic careers.

time to remember our Brothers that have gone before us, and a time to renew our hope in Spring and that Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity will reign Supreme. This ceremony is open to the public, so bring your family and friends and join us on this solemn occasion.



Ill. Ron Van Etten, 33°
Director of the Work

The next reunion will be in October on the 11th and 12th. Please put this date on your calendars. Also, please try hard to get petitions for the Fall class. Our numbers were a little low in this last class, but we’re sure glad to have the new Scottish Rite Masons that joined us.

As always, I will put out the offer to anyone that wants to become involved in the degrees to let me know. Even if you are more interested in doing stage work or wardrobe, let me know and I will get you in touch with the right people.

Ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal

Please keep those petitions coming in!

I am looking forward to seeing you all again soon..

I would also like to invite everyone to a new event on May 7th. We will be doing the first “Ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal”. This Ceremony is, like the title infers, a

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

Masonry is useful to all men: to the learned, because it affords them the opportunity of exercising their talents upon subjects eminently worthy of their attention; to the illiterate, because it offers them important instruction; to the young, because it presents them with salutary precepts and good examples, and accustoms them to reflect on the proper mode of living; to the man of the world, who it furnishes with noble and useful recreation; to the traveler, whom it enables to find friends and brothers in countries where else he would be isolated and solitary; to the worthy man in misfortune, to whom it gives assistance; to the afflicted, on who it lavishes consolation; to the charitable man, whom it enables to do more good, by uniting with those who are charitable like himself; and to all who have souls capable of appreciating its importance, and of enjoying the charms of a friendship founded on the same principles of religion, morality, and philanthropy.

Albert Pike
Big Creek, Arkansas (1865)

“They Remain in our Hearts”

Departed Brethren
February 12, 2013 through April 5, 2013

Corn, Ralph W.-----32°	Edminster, Leichester H.-----32°	Patton, Carl D.-----33°
Davis, James A.-----32°	Maze, Robert E.-----32°	Russell, Harold E.-----KCCH
DeBerry, James B.-----32°	McQueen, David A.-----32°	Stinson, Kenneth G.-----KCCH
Dreyer, Calvin C.-----32°	Moseley, Oral D.-----32°	Woodson, Craig B.-----33°

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June 4	Elmo Lodge of Perfection 25 & 50 Year Celebration-----6:30pm
	Honoree & escort-----no charge
	Members-----\$15.00 per person
June 5	Community Daylight Lodge-----10:00am
June 6	Bestor G. Brown Lodge #433-----7:00pm
June 7	York Rite-----6:30pm
June 8	Rainbow Girls Meeting-----10:00am
June 8	AMD -- Classroom-----8:00am
June 9	Lodge #99 -- Study Club-----2:00pm
June 10	Lodge #99-----6:30pm
June 11	Coffee & Donuts-----8:00am - 9:30am
June 12	DeMolay-----7:00pm
June 13	Bestor G. Brown Lodge #433-----7:00pm
June 14	Beauceant Lunch in Annex Knight's Meeting Room-----12noon
June 14	York Rite-----6:30pm
June 16	Lodge #99 -- Study Club-----2:00pm
June 17	Lodge #99-----6:30pm
June 18	Coffee & Donuts-----8:00am - 9:30am
June 19	Community Daylight Lodge-----10:00am
June 20	Bestor G. Brown Lodge #433-----7:00pm
June 20	Knights of St. Andrew-----7:00pm
June 21	York Rite-----6:30pm
June 22	Rainbow Girls Meeting-----10:00am
June 23	Lodge #99 -- Study Club-----2:00pm
June 24	Lodge #99-----6:30pm
June 25	Coffee & Donuts-----8:00am - 9:30am
June 26	DeMolay-----7:00pm
June 27	Free Lunch-----11:30am - 1:00pm
June 27	Bestor G. Brown Lodge #433-----7:00pm
June 28	Beauceant Lunch in Annex Knight's Meeting Room-----12noon
June 28	York Rite-----6:30pm

July 2013

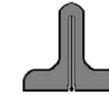
July 21	Ice Cream Social-----1:30pm
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The Working Tools of a Fellowcraft Mason

The **Plumb** is an instrument made use of by operative masons to raise perpendiculars.



The **Square** to square their work.



The **Level** to lay horizontals.

Text in the official Masonic Ritual goes on to say of these, “but we, as Free and Accepted Masons, are taught to make use of them for more noble and glorious purposes; the Plumb admonishes us to walk uprightly in our several stations before God and man, squaring our actions by the Square of Virtue, and remembering that we are traveling upon the Level of Time, to “that undiscovered country, from whose bourne no traveler returns.”

Nice Team Catch

Dr. Kathy Coufal, WSU College of Health Professions, and Jim Davenport, 33° catch pancakes at the Wichita Scottish Rite Chris Cakes Pancake Feed on April 2, 2013.



Jim Davenport of the Wichita Scottish Rite catches a flying pancake assisted by Kathy Coufal, chair of the department of Communication Sciences and Disorders from Chris Cakes at the annual WSR Pancake Feed.

Lynette Murphy, senior director of development, captured the moment as well as her own pancakes.

OUR MISSION:

The Wichita State University Foundation strives to enhance a community of learning excellence for our students and faculty through philanthropy and stewardship.





Diane Tinker-Hurst and Matt May work to vacuum out old feathers from seat cushions.

A special thanks to the Signature Theatre crew for re-cushioning several of the chairs in the building. Earlier this year Deb Campbell, director of Signature Theatre community acting troupe, spearheaded an effort to revitalize some of the old furniture in the building. Deb has lots of costume shop experience and is an excellent seamstress. She attacked this project with vigor and brought several helpers on board. THANK YOU Deb Campbell, Daniel & Jennie Hughes, Jacob Locke, Matt May, Coquette O'Rourke, Diane Tinker-Hurst, and others for all of your work towards continued efforts to revitalize the center!

...selected highlights in the month of May include:

Memorial Day or **Decoration Day** is observed, in most states of the United States, the last Monday in May. It is a legal holiday and is observed in memory of those who died while serving the United States in war. The graves of the war heroes are decorated with flowers. It was first observed in 1866.

Mother's Day was first observed in 1908. It was designated by Presidential proclamation, and was recognized officially by Congress and the President in 1914. It is celebrated in honor of Mothers on the second Sunday of May.

Armed Forces Day is celebrated the third Saturday of May. The United States honors the men and women of the military services. The Armed Forces Day Celebration

combined the Army, Navy, and the Air Force in 1950. Prior to that year, they had been held at separate times.

The Kentucky Derby takes place on the first Saturday in May at Churchill Downs, Louisville, Kentucky. It is the most famous horse race in the United States.

Many Mexican Americans celebrate what they call **Cinco De Mayo**, on May 5th. It is the anniversary of the Mexican victory over the French at Puebla in 1862. It is a national holiday in Mexico.

Donors for March and April, 2013

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FROM THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S DESK

Hello Brother Scottish Rite Masons:

It is always with great pleasure and Pride I say hello to my brother Scottish Rite Masons. We have been pretty busy down here with the activities that are going on. There are lodge meetings here 4 days a week plus 3 musical groups, and the Signature Theatre group.

Our Pancake feed was very successful again this year even if the weather was not really good.

The Red Cross Blood Drive on April 30 went well - thanks

Ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal

to all who donated!

I'm excited about what we have been getting done so come down and look around. The roof is progressing slowly as they can't work when the weather is wet or real windy. It is looking very good. Thanks to several active donors

we now have new carpet in the Egyptian room!
 We always have things to do so if you have any time to help us with projects PLEASE come down.

Fraternally submitted with Brotherly Love,
 Jim Davenport, 33°
 Executive Secretary
 Wichita Scottish Rite



Ill. Jim Davenport, 33°
 Executive Secretary

...selected highlights in the month of June include:

June, named after Juno, the goddess of marriage, is the sixth month of the year, and is one of the four months with a length of 30 days. Just like the month of May, no other month begins on the same day as June. This is also the month with the longest daylight hours of the year.

Flag Day is observed in the United States on June 14. It commemorates the day in 1777 when the Continental Congress adopted the Stars and Stripes as our flag. It then had only 13 stars, to match its 13 stripes.

It's not an official national holiday, but in Pennsylvania, it is a legal holiday. The President has proclaimed a public flag day observance every year. It was first observed to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the selection of the flag. President Harry S. Truman officially recognized June 14 as Flag Day by signing the National Flag Day Bill.

The Philippines' Independence Day is on June 12.

Sweden celebrates flag day, its national holiday, on June 6.

Finland's flag day is the Saturday closest to June 24

The **JUNE BUG** also known as June beetle, is the name for several large beetles seen in the United States during May and June. They are usually seen at night, when the light attracts them.

June bugs eat the young leaves of trees and plants. They deposit their eggs in the ground. The young larvae bury themselves in the soil in the autumn and stay there two years. They then come out in May or June as adult beetles.

Gems for June are the pearl, alexandrite, and moonstone.

The **rose** is the flower for the month of June.

Ice Cream Social July 21, 2013

...mark this date on your calendar...



If you can make a freezer of ice cream,
 Please call and let the office know.
 We will furnish the salt and ice.

BRING THE FAMILY
 ...plus...

The family movie "MAN'S FAVORITE SPORT"
 starting at 4:45pm