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to begin receiving up-to-date announcements!  
Thank you!

### Schedule of Events

Be sure to mark your calendar

#### May

May 6 Coffee & Donuts 8:00am - 9:30am  
Ceremony of "Remembrance and Renewal"  
Dinner 6:30pm  
Ceremony 7:30pm  
Cost is \$15.00 per person  
Please RSVP to (316) 263-4218

May 13 Coffee & Donuts 8:00am - 9:30am  
May 20 Coffee & Donuts 8:00am - 9:30am  
May 26 Memorial Day Holiday Office will be closed  
May 27 Coffee & Donuts 8:00am - 9:30am  
May 29 Free Lunch 11:30am - 1:00pm

#### June

June 3 Coffee & Donuts 8:00am - 9:30am  
25, 50, & 60 Year Honor Ceremony  
Dinner 6:30pm  
Ceremony 7:30pm  
Cost is \$15 per person  
Please RSVP to (316) 263-4218

June 10 Coffee & Donuts 8:00am - 9:30am  
June 14 SGIG Orient Planning Meeting  
June 17 Coffee & Donuts 8:00am - 9:30am  
June 24 Coffee & Donuts 8:00am - 9:30am  
June 26 Free Lunch 11:30am - 1:00pm  
June 30 Masonic Unity Council 7:00pm

### 25, 50, & 60 Year Honor Ceremony

Mark your calendars

It'll be June 3, 2014. The evening will consist of both a Dinner and the Ceremonies.  
Dinner begins at 6:30pm (at a cost of \$15 per person), so please RSVP to  
(316) 263-4218. This will be a combined evening with both our  
Blue Lodges and our Wichita Scottish Rite.

### WICHITA SCOTTISH RITE MEMBER ACTIVITIES SURVEY

There are many areas at the Wichita Scottish Rite that offer opportunities for our members to volunteer their time and talent to for both the benefit of the Scottish Rite and themselves. There is always something that needs to be done at the Center and we rely heavily on our membership to help fill the needs of this active and friendly organization. By being active and taking a part in your Scottish Rite it will make it a more meaningful experience for you and it will benefit the Scottish Rite as well, it is a "win" for both you and the Fraternity!

Mark the areas that you would be interested in taking a part in and a member of the committee will contact you to give you further information on how you can help. You can pick more than one!

#### Director of Work:

Director of Work Staff: \_\_\_ Sign-in Desk for Degrees \_\_\_ Asst. to the Director of Work  
\_\_\_ Degree Actor (Speaking/Non-Speaking part) \_\_\_ Prompter

Class Director: \_\_\_ Asst. Class Director

Stage Director: \_\_\_ Stage Crew Member

Rituals Director: \_\_\_ Lights and Sound Technician \_\_\_ Helper

Wardrobe Director: \_\_\_ Wardrobe Staff \_\_\_ Make-up Asst.

Almoner/Chaplain: \_\_\_ Visitation with members in distress

Membership/Public Relations: \_\_\_ Committee member \_\_\_ Blue Lodge Ambassador

Americanism: \_\_\_ JR ROTC Presentations \_\_\_ Asst. w/Patriotic Functions

Masonic Education: \_\_\_ Committee member

#### Other Areas:

Rental Program: \_\_\_ Event Tiler \_\_\_ Tiler Captain \_\_\_ Asst. Rental Coordinator

Music: \_\_\_ Degree Chorus \_\_\_ Organist

Building Maintenance: \_\_\_ Electrician \_\_\_ Carpenter \_\_\_ Plumber

\_\_\_ Custodial \_\_\_ Gen Maint.

Office: \_\_\_ General Office work \_\_\_ Class Registration \_\_\_ Chain Gang

This is an excellent way to become familiar with the Wichita Scottish Rite and to enjoy the fellowship of your brothers.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_  
eMail: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_  
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Our **SGIG, Ill Hugh W. Gill, III, 33°** is holding a planning meeting to talk about what the Scottish Rite should look like in the future. The meeting will be held at the Wichita Scottish Rite Center on Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup> with the goal of developing a vision, and steps to implement that vision, which will make the Scottish Rite relevant and attractive to new members as well as current members. The meeting is **open to all Scottish Rite members in the Orient of Kansas**, come with your ideas for the future, an open mind and a willingness to accept new ideas.

A detailed schedule will be provided prior to the meeting date, but plan on all day Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup> with the possibility of continuing on Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup> if it is needed or those in attendance desire to do so. If you have any thoughts or ideas that you would like to share with **Ill Hugh** prior to the meeting, feel free to eMail him at: **[hugh@WichitaScottishRite.org](mailto:hugh@WichitaScottishRite.org)**

This is your chance to provide input into the future of the Scottish Rite in Kansas and to help shape the Fraternity for those men who will come after us.

**S.:G.:I.:G**  
**ORIENT PLANNING MEETING**



FROM THE **PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE**

In order to reduce the cost of printing and mailing the Double Eagle, we have made a few changes to the format starting with this issue. We have reduced the number of pages from 8 to 4 and reformatted things a little. Based on your response to the changes, we will probably make additional changes with future issues, so please let us know what you think of the changes and if you have any additional changes you would like to see. Please keep in mind that our goal is to reduce the cost and still provide you with the information you need on the activities and happenings at the Center.

Also, we plan to begin eMailing the link to the newsletter on our website (www.WichitaScottishRite.org) to those who have given us their eMail address. The newsletter is currently on the website so if you have lost your copy or

just want to check something out, go to the website and you can access the current newsletter or past newsletters, you will find it under News.

If you have not already done so or if your eMail address has changed, please send an eMail to:

[lisa@WichitaScottishRite.org](mailto:lisa@WichitaScottishRite.org)

and she will get your eMail added to our files.

We hope that you like the revised Double Eagle.



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

Fraternally,

R. Scott Kailer, 33°  
Personal Representative

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FROM THE **EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S DESK**

Bad NEWS! We had a water line main for the fire sprinkler system break and flood the annex basement.

Good NEWS! Insurance will cover the majority of the expense to fix water line and clean, paint, some new



ceiling tile, and we will stain and seal the basement floor.

I want to thank the volunteers that are helping with cleaning, repairing, and floor tiling. They make a big difference in the appearance in the building.

Come down and see what is happening at YOUR Scottish Rite Building!



Ill. Jim Davenport, 33°  
Executive Secretary

Look closely and notice the "high-water" mark on the door

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

FROM THE **DIRECTOR OF THE WORK**

As you read this article our Spring Reunion 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 are Masonic careers.

Just a reminder to make sure everyone has it on their calendars. The Fall Reunion is scheduled for October 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. We'd sure like to have a big class this fall. So, get out there and work on getting those petitions.

I would also like to invite everyone to the "Ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal". It will be May 6<sup>th</sup>. This

Ceremony is, like the title infers, a 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.

Please keep those petitions coming in!

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



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

Fraternally,

Ron Van Etten, 33°  
Director of the Work

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Oh, Supreme Architect of the Universe,  
what does the Bible teach us of Wisdom?

"Oh, how I love your law! I think about it all day long. Your commands make me wiser than my enemies, for your commands are my constant guide" (Psalm 119:97-112)

We become wise by studying and applying God's Word.

God's Word makes us wise ~ wiser than our enemies and wiser than any teachers who ignore it. True wisdom goes beyond amassing knowledge; it is *applying* knowledge in a life-changing way. Intelligent or experienced people are not necessarily wise. Wisdom comes from applying God's Word to our life.

The wisdom God offers in his Word is practical and must be applied to life.

To walk safely in the woods at night, we need a light so we don't trip over tree roots or fall into holes. In this life, we walk through a dark forest of evil. But the Bible can be our light to show us the way ahead so we won't stumble as we walk. It reveals the entangling roots of false values and philosophies. Study the Bible, so you will be able to see your way clearly enough to stay on the right path.

Yours in the Faith,

**PAX**  
{Latin for Peace}

ALAN A. AAGAARD, 33°  
ASSOCIATE CHAPLAIN

"They Remain in our Hearts"

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