

The Perfect Elu

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Valley of Cumberland Orient of Maryland



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Join the Cumberland Knights of St. Andrew for our annual Burns Supper celebrating the life and poetry of Bro. Robert "Rabbie" Burns.

The Cumberland Knights of St. Andrew will host their annual Burns Supper on Saturday, February 3, 2018, at the Ali Ghan Shrine Center in Cumberland.

This festive celebration will include a traditional Scottish meal and piping in the haggis, readings of Burns' poetry, and a toast to the immortal memory of Scotland's beloved son. Musical entertainment will be provided by Scottish Folksinger Carl Peterson, who has become the most successful and busiest Scottish singer in North America, performing at numerous festivals and concerts and producing nearly thirty recordings.

Proceeds from the Burns Supper support the work of the Scottish Rite Speech and Language Disorders Clinic at the Children's League. The Knights extend a warm welcome to our brethren from across the Orient of Maryland to join us for this evening of fun and fellowship for a great cause. The Scottish Fare menu is listed below —

Appetizer: Haggis Phyllo, Scottish Egg/mustard sauce—**Soup:** Seafood Bisque in Bread Bowl — **Vegetables:** Rumble de Thumps (parsnips, turnips & potatoes combo) Glazed Carrots — **Entrées:** Cornish Hen on stuffing OR Shepherds Pie — **Dessert:** Scottish Bread Pudding with Praline Drizzle — Auld Man's Milk (egg nog), coffee, tea

Cash bar: Water of Life, Beer & mixed drinks

Reservations are due by January 26, 2018 *clip & mail*

Please make the following reservations at \$30.00 per person

Name _____ Guest _____ Telephone _____

Address _____

If Attending - will you be representing a CLAN? Yes ____ / No ____

Clan Name: _____ Tartan: _____

Entrée Choice: Cornish Hen on stuffing (# ____) OR Shepherds Pie (# ____)

Email: _____

Total Enclosed: \$ _____ Seating preference _____

Return this form to the address below with a check payable to:
Cumberland Scottish Rite 73 LaVale Blvd., LaVale, MD 21502-7418

Tickets may also be purchased online at:
www.cumberlandscottishrite.org

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Do you have a Scottish
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For That New Member
When He Asks You ????

PLEASE NOTE:
**All No Shows with
Event Reservations
Will Be Expected To
Pay The Amount
When Billed Later To
Cover The Meal Cost.**

Editors Note:
Unless noted, all brethren
named in *The Perfect Elu* are
32° Scottish Rite Masons.

CUMBERLAND SCOTTISH RITE'S NEWEST HONOR MEN



Ill. Aaron V. Lea, 33°
Rawlings, Maryland



Ill. Elmer W. Miles, Jr., 33°
Cumberland, Maryland



Hon. Joseph W. Cushall
32° KCCH
Frostburg, Maryland



Hon. Edward L. Kave, Jr.
32° KCCH
Hagerstown, Maryland



Hon. Joseph S. Kennedy
32° KCCH
Oakland, Maryland

These ten members of the Cumberland Scottish Rite Bodies were awarded respective honors by the Supreme Council, S.J. U.S.A. and were honored and received their caps during the Honors Day ceremony, held in the Baltimore Scottish Rite Temple on Saturday, October 10th, 2017. Members and guests from Cumberland Scottish Rite attended ceremonies held that day and were present for the festive banquet held following the ceremonies. Music and dancing was held after the banquet. It was a very enjoyable day and our Cumberland people enjoyed the opportunity to share fellowship on the bus trip. Members in Frederick and Hagerstown shared the special day with the Cumberland attendees and those being honored expressed their thanks to each person attending their "special day". Again, congratulations to our honorees for their dedication to the Cumberland Scottish Rite Bodies and being recognized by the Supreme Council this year.



Hon. Scott R. Paddack
32° KCCH
Hagerstown, Maryland



Hon. Raymond W. Ryan, III
32° KCCH
Cumberland, Maryland



Hon. G. Timothy Schupfer
32° KCCH
Cumberland, Maryland



Hon. Robin L. Summerfield
32° KCCH
Rawlings, Maryland



Hon. Michael R. Wade
32° KCCH
Frostburg, Maryland

DeMolay Happenings



We can always use young Men between the ages of 12-21 years of age. Cumberland Chapter will grow as I am sure there are Young Men waiting to be asked to join. Scottish Rite has been the sponsor of DeMolay for ninety five years and some of our older Scottish Rite members can still remember all of the wonderful years they were active with the DeMolay. If you have a son or grandson, why not sit down and talk with him about those enjoyable years you had prior to becoming the proud Mason that you are today. Think how proud you would be if he became a member of the DeMolay in your footsteps, he may even desire to continue to become a Scottish Rite Mason. The Cumberland Chapter of DeMolay #21009, holds meetings on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month at the Masonic Temple on Greene Street at 7:30 pm. The lifetime fee to join is \$35.00.

Ill. Charles J. Hout, 33°, DeMolay Advisor/Treasurer

Valley of Cumberland Schedule of Events for 2018*Clip and save*

Date	Activity	Comment
January 7, 2018	St. John's Day @ Emmanuel Church on Washington Street	Meet @ Masonic Temple 9:00 Attend Church @ 10.00
January 7, 2018	Open Installation of Officers	2:00 p.m.
January 15, 2018	LOP – 7 th Degree if possible	7:30 p.m.
January 25, 2018	SRC Washington County	7:00 p.m.
January 29, 2018	KSA Initiation	7:30 p.m.
January 30. 2018	Buck-A-Cup Awards	Arby's 3:00 p.m.
February 3, 2018	Robert Burns Supper	Shrine 5:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
February 5, 2018	LOP/Foundation	7:30 p.m.
February 19, 2018	Rose Croix	7:30 p.m.
February 22, 2018	SRC Washington County	7:00 p.m.
March 4, 2018	Ceremony of Lights	4:00 p.m.
March 5, 2018	LOP	7:30 p.m.
March 10, 2018	Friend to Friend – Oakland	6:00 p.m.
March 11, 2018	DON Altoona Installation	6:00 p.m.
March 18, 2018	Designer Purse Bingo	1:30 p.m. Masonic Temple
March 19, 2018	LOP	7:30 p.m.
March 22, 2018	SRC Washington County	7:00 p.m.
March 23, 2018	Friend to Friend @ AG Shrine	6:30 p.m.
March 25, 2018 or (T.B.A.)	Degree Rehearsal 14,30,32	Re Temple Installation
April 2, 2018	LOP Oakland	7:30 p.m.
April 14, 2018	Friend to Friend , Wmsport	6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p. m.
April 16, 2018	Consistory	7:30 p.m.
April 19, 2018	Thing-A-Ma-Jig Rehearsal	ACM 6:00 p.m.
April 20, 2018	Thing-A-Ma-Jig	ACM 7:15 p.m.
April 22, 2018	Degree Rehearsal 30, 32	2:00/3:00 p.m.
April 26, 2018	SRC Washington County	7:00 p.m.
April 27, 2018	Reunion set up	10:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.
April 28, 2018	SR 171 st Conferral / Reunion	7:30 a.m. Registration
April 30, 2018	KSA Initiation – 5 th Monday	7:30 p.m.
May 5, 2018	S.R. Ladies Night @ Shrine	5:00 p.m.
May 6, 2018	Ladies Luncheon	1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
May 7, 2018	LOP	7:30 p.m.
May 12, 2018	Grand Lodge Semi Annual	10:00 a.m.
May 20, 2018	Spring Capping	2:00 p.m.
May 21, 2018	KSA	7:30 p.m.
May 24, 2018	SRC Washington County	7:00 p.m.

III. Jamey S. Hill, 33 ° Personal Representative's Message



Oftentimes the brethren will ask to have a meeting to critique the conferral, offering memorization as a cure all to our Reunion. How many of us ask the candidates what they think? I was recently asked by a new officer, "what do you want me to do"? I explained that I needed him to assert himself into the Scottish Rite equation, concluding that our Scottish Rite, like the Blue Lodge, "is nothing but hard work." Memorizing ritual and lectures is staggering mental work that must be accomplished. I can only ask our new officers to adopt a fun new activity that we can do with our local Blue Lodges as binding participants because our Blue Lodge prosperity is paramount to the future success of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry. One such event, our Christmas Party on December 15th, was co-sponsored by Queen City Lodge No. 131, Georges Creek Valley Lodge No. 161, and Kemp Lodge No. 154. (Look for an article in the next edition of the *Perfect Elu*.) Partnering with our Blue lodges on these short, uncomplicated, fun events is a natural opportunity to collaborate that we too often miss. Why is that? Our executive administration is committed to forging stronger relationships among the Blue Lodges, appendant, and Co-ordinate bodies by taking advantage of these opportunities for the good of the order.

Why must we seem so separated when the very same brethren participating in Blue Lodge are those leading in the balance of Freemasonry? Collectively we have a mutual responsibility to teach Freemasonry to our initiates, so, why do we teach it as if they are drinking the knowledge from a fire hose? The Blue Lodges take months to teach three degrees while we confer five in a one-day class. Given our changing lifestyles, there's no denying that the one-day class is an essential feature of the 21st Century Scottish Rite. But perhaps we should explore the possibility of conferring one or more of the degrees prior to the one-day class. Traditions are deeply valued and important in all aspects of Freemasonry. As unpopular as it is, CHANGE has its place in Masonry too! If you ask an initiate he would most likely tell you "he was overwhelmed by the conferral." Sometimes, many of us seem to forget why we at the Scottish Rite stage a reunion conferral. In fact it is murmured in certain circles that we should do this only once per year. I have learned, by way of my Blue Lodge, that participating and lecturing in those degrees, the work is as much for the brethren putting on the work as it is for the initiates. We have some excellent ritualists at the Scottish Rite putting on some of the most clever allegorical work as a continuation of our Blue Lodge roots. These same ritualists are to be celebrated as many of our new initiates are responding to these very individuals who are acting as unwitting mentors, just doing what they love. Does anyone really believe that more meetings are needed in order to determine what direction we are to proceed?

Teddy Roosevelt once said: "In any moment of decision, the best thing you can do is the right thing. The worst thing you can do is nothing."

Looking forward to working with you at the Installation and Capping Ceremony,

III. Jamey S. Hill 33°, Personal Representative

First Annual Masonic Bird Hunt

The Cumberland Scottish Rite held the First Annual Masonic Bird Hunt at Quail Hollow Farm in Berkeley Springs, West Virginia on Saturday, November 11, 2017. Chip Zimmer and his team are already making plans for the Second Annual Masonic Bird Hunt in 2018 to support our Rite Care Clinics in Cumberland and Oakland. Details coming soon.

Pictured (L to R): Joe Cushall, Chip Zimmer, David Gornall, Karl Prodoehl, Jamey Hill and Rick Gornall.



Robin L. Summerfield 32° KCCH Venerable Master and Asst. Personal Representative



As you have seen in this and other recent editions of the Perfect Elu, 2017 was a very active and productive year for the Cumberland Scottish Rite. I want to express my sincere appreciation to the members of the Executive Board, the line officers of the several bodies, and our outstanding Committee Chairs for their generous support during my term as Venerable Master. I would especially like to thank Director of Works Michael Kamauff and his team for their consistent "can do" attitude whenever the truly hard work needs to be done. It has been a great honor and pleasure to serve at the side of so many good men dedicated to our craft and supporting our Community.

During the past year, we have spread the cement of brotherly love of within our Valley through time-honored traditions like Strawberry Night and Ladies Night, and we have hosted special events and established new traditions like bird hunts, Friend to Friend nights, and holiday parties. We have increased our fundraising activity and enhanced our positive impact on the larger community by working in collaboration with the Children's League and our Blue Lodge partners to expand Rite Care services to Garrett County. And, together, we have renewed our most sacred traditions by giving recognition to those who have contributed their time and energy to Masonry and honoring our brethren who have passed to the Celestial Lodge above through funeral rites as well as the Ceremony of Lights and the Feast of Tishri.

I look forward with much enthusiasm to supporting the continued progress we are certain to share under the leadership of Venerable Master Samuel Lane in the year ahead. The officers of our Lodge of Perfection, and each of the bodies, represent the best and brightest our Rite has to offer; they are a diverse group of men with a wide range of Masonic, professional, and volunteer experience and skills. Some of these leaders bring years of experience in the craft while others bring new energy and creativity. Together, these men represent a bright future for the Scottish Rite in Western Maryland. We owe them our appreciation and our steadfast support for their efforts to spread the light of Freemasonry throughout our Valley.

Fraternally,
Robin Summerfield, Venerable Master

Cumberland Feast of Tishri by Commander Mark C. Weatherholt, 32° KCCH



The 2017 Feast of Tishri hosted by the Cumberland Council of Kadosh featured an inspiring and educational presentation by Rabbi Randall Schoch, W. Asst. Grand Chaplain, Grand Lodge of Maryland. Brethren and guests shared a delicious Thanksgiving dinner and the Eight Toasts of Obligation. In appreciation of our rich bounty during the past year, the Council collected donations of pet food for the Allegany County Animal Shelter during the Feast.

Fraternally,
Commander Mark Weatherholt, 32° KCCH

Pictured (L to R): Officers of the Cumberland Council of Kadosh and special guests. (Seated) Ill. Jamey S. Hill, 33°, Personal Representative; Ill. Elmer W. "Bud" Miles, Jr., 33°, Treasurer; Ill. Charles J. Hout, 33°; Jerome F. Robinette, 33°, Secretary; (Standing) Hon. Robin L. Summerfield, 32° KCCH, Venerable Master, Cumberland Lodge of Perfection; Hon. Michael L. Kamauff, 32° KCCH; Samuel S. Lane, 32°; Hon. James M. Snider, 32° KCCH; Michael Kerns, 32°, Orator; Rabbi Randall Schoch; Hon. Mark C. Weatherholt, 32° KCCH, Commander; Paul W. Borrer, 32°, 2nd Lieutenant; Hon. Raymond W. Ryan, Ill, 32° KCCH; and Hon. Charles W. "Buck" Taylor, 32° KCCH.

From Your Secretary III. Jerome F. Robinette, 33°



By the time you receive this publication, you should have received your 2018 dues notice from the Supreme Council stating your current dues status for membership. The dues for 2018 are the same as the past several years and if your **stated amount** dues is not what your records indicate, please contact me so we can establish the proper amount due to keep your dues current. Membership retention is of vital interest at this time.

Numerous projects have been worked on since our summer recess and you need to see what they are and how you can become part of their continuing progress. Our beautiful lodge hall has had a beautiful "facelift" and our brick project on the Greene Street side of the temple is up to date. The brick project will be an ongoing project and if you would like to have your own engraved brick to be placed in the sidewalk with the nearly 100 other bricks, please pick up a form in the dining hall or contact me to receive the proper form so that your personalized brick is engraved per your specifications.

I would like to offer my personal congratulations to our ten new honor men. They received special honors on HONORS DAY in the Baltimore Scottish Rite Temple on Saturday, October 14th. The Rite chartered a large bus to provide transportation for these honorees and guests attending that special day. Everyone enjoyed the event and those who were "first attendees" were very impressed with the beautiful Baltimore Scottish Rite Temple and the very warm welcome they received during the day.

As no news to each of you, our world is going through some drastic changes and each and everyone of us are being challenged everyday. The costs of everything is escalating, memberships in our schools, churches and nearly all fraternal organizations are on a decline, including all branches of Masonry. These changes did not JUST HAPPENING, these changes have been happening for a long time and we can only hope that the decline in Masonry can be slowed down by making all of us aware of the problem and WORK TOGETHER, get out again and start to attend the newest things that are being provided by our Masonic leaders. It will not happen overnight, but we need to start now and if we all work together, we may see some change and you will feel proud to have been part of it. Give it some thought !!!!

I hope you carefully look over the Scottish Rite schedule for January thru May 2018 located on page three of this issue and post it for your reference through the year. This schedule did not just happen, but was created by careful study of dates not conflicting with other Masonic and special calendar events. The calendar for the remainder of the year will be included in the next edition of the *Perfect Elu*.

We just completed our Fall Convocation and initiated six new candidates who are anxious to seek further light in Masonry. Our newest Scottish Rite members are: Samuel Cope, of Oldtown, MD; John Dawson, of Oldtown, MD; Robert Dawson, of Oldtown, MD; Brett Densock, of Cumberland, MD; Johnny Leighty, of Cumberland, MD and Frederick Williams, of Accokeek, MD. If you were not in attendance for our Fall Class and you happen to know any of our newest members, be sure to give them a call and offer your personal congratulations as new members, they would be pleased to hear from you. If you were a "top line signer" on the petition of one of our newest members and not present for his initiation ceremony or capping, he may be wondering where you were. You should be his mentor and help him to come and see ALL THAT SCOTTISH RITE HAS TO OFFER. We need you BOTH to take advantage of all the wonderful things happening in Scottish Rite in our Valley. Make this new season the one that you have been thinking about for several years.... Come out and join us, we would be glad to welcome you.!!

Washington County Scottish Rite Club by Gerard T. Kendle, 32°

Brothers! All I can say is WOW! The Hagerstown Scottish Rite Ladies night was a big success. This year we enjoyed a dinner and a show at Antietam Recreation near Williamsport. We enjoyed a dinner of smoked brisket and seasoned chicken tenderloin (not Chicken nuggets), vegetable, Hot Cider and Hot Chocolate, wagon rides, petting zoo and a wonderful performance called "The Christmas Experience. Hats off to the committee who pulled this fantastic night off. I am sure we will assist planning again with the Antietam Recreation again next year.

The W. Co. Scottish Rite Club meets at Hempen Hill BBQ in Hagerstown, on the 4th Wednesday of each month beginning at 6:30 pm. We do not discuss any ritual so spouses are more than welcome to attend. We have some great fellowship, great food, and a lot of laughs.

Membership dues are just \$15.00 a year. If you want to be active in the Scottish Rite but are unable to make it to Cumberland, we are here in your own back yard so come join us. If you need further information, please feel free to reach out to Club President Gerard Kendle, 32° at gkendle@hotmail.com (301-991-1473) or to Secretary Hon. Scott Paddack, 32° KCCH at crazyscott59@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you at our next meeting!

G. Timothy Schupfer, 32° KCCH Wise Master of Cumberland Chapter of Rose Croix

As 2017 comes to a close, I would like to thank the Officers of Rose Croix who have contributed to the success of the events we held this year, along with assisting in all aspects of Scottish Rite. Everyone has done an awesome job when called upon and look forward to everyone taking a step up the ladder to keep the line moving and keeping the success going that we have experienced over the past years. It was an honor & privilege to serve as *Wise Master* and I appreciate everything that was done during the year. All pitched in and went above the call of duty, which I am sure will continue, as the new Officers move up. If there is anything that I can do to help the Officers in 2018, please do not hesitate to call. I wish all the best and look forward to attending the events this New Year. Enjoy the Holidays and will see you for **Installation of Officers on Jan. 7th**,.....and what a **SPECIAL DAY** that will be.

Tim Schupfer, Wise Master

**Raymond W. Ryan, III, 32° KCCH Venerable Master, Knights of Andrew**

The Cumberland Knights of St. Andrew have had a productive summer! I want to thank the KSA Degree Team for conducting an excellent initiation ceremony for our newest Knights, James Drawbaugh, Jason Landis and Daniel Stitt. The KSA is currently accepting petitions for membership and we look forward to welcoming more new Knights at our next Initiation Ceremony on Monday, April 30, 2018. A petition is included in this edition of the Perfect Elu and any KSA member can answer questions you may have about membership. The Knights are now busy making plans for the 2018 Burns Supper. I hope you and your lady will plan to join us for this time of fun and fellowship in support of the Rite Care Clinic at the Children's League. Stay tuned for upcoming opportunities to advertise in the Program book and purchase tickets.

Beauseant! Beauseant! Beauseant!
Raymond W. Ryan, III Venerable Master

Knights of Saint Andrew Application**A. & A. S. R. VALLEY OF CUMBERLAND, ORIENT OF MARYLAND**

Complete application, enclose check for \$100.00. and mail to: Knights of St. Andrew — Cumberland Scottish Rite

(Note: There are **NO** annual dues)

c/o Michael W. McKay, 407 Washington St., Cumberland, MD 21502

Cell: 301-697-2622

Name: _____

Address: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____ email: _____

Occupation: _____ Employer: _____

I am a 32° Mason in the Valley of _____ Consistory Orient of _____

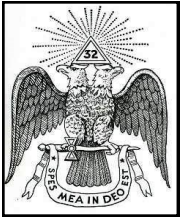
I certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

For official use only:

Date application received: _____ Amount Received: \$ _____ Ck # _____ Cash _____

Date Knighted: _____ Date of Ballot _____



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To the Officers and Members of:

**CUMBERLAND LODGE OF PERFECTION (4° Thru 14°)
CUMBERLAND CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX (15° Thru 18°)**

**CUMBERLAND COUNCIL OF KADOSH (19° Thru 30°)
CUMBERLAND CONSISTORY (31° AND 32°)**

I have never applied for any of the Scottish Rite Degrees, and I now respectfully petition to receive the degrees, from the fourth to the thirty-second inclusive, promising always to bear true faith and allegiance to the Supreme Council of the Thirty-Third Degree of the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America.

(Note: If applicant has previously applied for any of the degrees, explain fully as to date, place and to what bodies such application was made.)

APPLICANT'S FULL NAME (Please Print) _____

I am a Master Mason in good standing in _____ **Lodge No.** _____

Location _____ **Under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of** _____

Date Raised _____ **If raised in a Maryland Lodge, have you passed exam in 3rd degree Catechism?** _____

Residence _____

Mail Address _____

And I have resided at my current residence preceding date of this petition for _____ **months/years.**

Telephone Number _____ **Cell Number** _____ **Email Address** _____

Date of Birth _____ **Place of Birth** _____

My Occupation, position, or trade is that of _____

Employed by (or RETIRED From) _____ **Shirt size (circle one) S M L XL XXL**

Recommended by two members in good standing in the Maryland Scottish Rite Bodies,

(1) _____
Printed Name Signature Date

(2) _____
Printed Name Signature Date

The Supreme Council requires the acceptance of the following fundamental principles:

1. The inculcation of patriotism, respect for law and order, underlying loyalty to the principles of civil and religious liberty, and the entire separation of church and state as set forth in the Constitution of the United States of America. Do you approve wholeheartedly of these principles?

(Yes or No) _____

2. Have you ever been held or expressed opinions contrary to the foregoing or been affiliated with an organization which has?

(Yes or No) _____: If your answer is in the affirmative, give particulars: _____

I certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signed _____ **DATE** _____

INITIATION FEE: \$250.00 INCLUDES: 32° Patent, 32° Prayer Cap and Case & Copy of Bridge to Light Book

\$25.00 DISCOUNT on the purchase price of a traditional 14th degree Scottish Rite Ring. (redeemable at Aaron's Jewelers, in LaVale, MD)

Free Scottish Rite Polo shirt (**value \$30**) and Scottish Rite car emblem

Two Complimentary Dinners at the Capping Ceremony (**value \$30**)

One free admission to the 2018 Cumberland Scottish Rite Ladies Night (**value \$30**)

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Date Petition received _____

CAP SIZE _____ (Size taken at initiation)

Amount received \$ _____

RING SIZE _____ (Size taken at initiation)

Check No. _____ Cash \$ _____

LADIES NAME _____

Ballot Date of Petition _____

Member Notification Date _____

Scottish Rite Diplomats - G. Timothy Schupfer, 32° KCCH Chairman 301-697-9760

<u>Lodge</u>	<u>Diplomat</u>	<u>Phone</u>
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Friendship # 84	Ill. Harvey L. Hogamier, 33°	301-573-5868
Mountain #99	Joseph W. Cushall, 32° KCCH	301-689-2465
Mountain # 99	Phillip C. Lashbaugh	301-697-6901
Potomac #100	G. Timothy Schupfer 32° KCCH	301-697-9760
Potomac #100	Elmer W. "Bud" Miles, Jr. 33°	301-697-1128
Hiram # 103	Aaron V. Lea, 33°	301-786-4474
Queen City # 131	John S. Spence 32° KCCH	301-777-9313
Queen City # 131	Kenneth R. Wilson, 33°	301-689-3049
Medairy # 140	Derek T. Artz, II	301-331-1842
Medairy # 140	Edward L. Kave, Jr., 32° KCCH	301-331-7633
Kemp # 154	Ill. C. Wayne Skidmore, 33°	301-264-4728
Kemp # 154	Ill. Jamey S. Hill, 33°	301-729-8704
George's Creek Valley # 161	Charles R. DeVault	301-463-5817
George's Creek Valley #161	James Z. Bosley	301-689-2196
James W. Bowers # 173	Robert E. "BJ" Reiff, Jr.	301-302-6550
James W. Bowers # 173	Ill. R. Francis Shives, III, 33°	301-678-6938
Oakland #192	Ill. Theodore Raynovich III, 33°	301-387-4545
East Gate # 216	Billy Joe Wrights, 32° KCCH	301-722-9672
East Gate # 216	Robert H. Shaffer, 32°	301-268-3313
Hagerstown # 217	Ill. Frederick E. Reel, 33°	301-791-6117
Diplomat at Large	William R. "Chip" Zimmer, 32° KCCH	301-733-7277

THESE ARE THE APPOINTED DIPLOMATS -- BUT IN REALITY — WE ARE ALL DIPLOMATS !!

Combined Installation and Capping Ceremony

Sunday, January 7, 2018 at 2:00 pm in the Masonic Temple.

Please make the following reservations at **\$15.00 per person**. Reservation Deadline: December 30, 2017

Name: _____ Guest: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____ **Make check payable to: Cumberland Scottish Rite**

Mail to: Masonic Temple, Tom Paxton, 15 Greene Street, Cumberland, MD 21502 Phone: 301-876-0806

OR Jerry Robinette, 73 LaVale Blvd, LaVale, MD 21502-7418 Phone: 301-729-6778

171st REUNION LUNCHEON

Clip and Mail this form

Saturday, April 28, 2018 at 1:45 pm at the Masonic Temple.

Deadline is April 21, 2018. **No cost for the luncheon, but reservations are a must**

Name of Member: _____

Address: _____

NO CHARGE for lunch

Mail to: Masonic Temple, Tom Paxton, 15 Greene Street, Cumberland, MD 21502 Phone: 301-876-0806

Online Reservations: www.CumberlandScottishRite.org

Rite Care Services Expand to Garrett County

The Cumberland Scottish Rite and our Rite Care partner the Children's League recently held a ribbon cutting announcing the expansion of Rite Care speech and language services for children birth to age 21 to a new location in Oakland, Maryland. Elected officials representing the Maryland Senate and House of Delegates, Garrett County Board of Commissioners, and the Town of Oakland and representatives of various Masonic organizations were in attendance to celebrate the clinic's grand opening.

Services will be offered at the Paul B. Naylor Masonic Hall, 3 South First Street in Oakland. This new location will make Rite Care services available to children in the westernmost part of the state and surrounding counties in West Virginia and Pennsylvania.

Cathy Growden, Executive Director of The Children's League stated, "The Children's League is excited to expand speech and language services in Garrett County. This is made possible through the cooperation and generosity of the Oakland Masonic Lodge. We are happy the Debra E. Friend, PhD CCC/CLP will be providing speech assessments and therapy services. Debra is a resident of Oakland, MD and she comes with over 38 years of experience as a speech language pathologist".

The Cumberland Scottish Rite is grateful for the generosity of Worshipful Master Scott Collins and the members of Oakland Lodge No. 192 of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons (AF&AM), which played a critical role in the success of the Clinic's expansion. We are pleased that this partnership between the Children's League, the Cumberland Scottish Rite, and the Oakland Masonic Lodge will ensure that Garrett County children have access to free professional speech therapy near to where they live, learn, and play.

During the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, the newly formed Cumberland Scottish Rite Foundation Ladies Auxiliary presented a donation of \$2000 and the Oakland Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star presented a donation of \$50 to the Children's League to assist with initial setup and operation of the Oakland clinic.

Since the Cumberland Rite Care Clinic opened in 1997, the Cumberland Scottish Rite Foundation has contributed more than \$265,000 to support free diagnostic evaluation and treatment of speech and language disorders to equip children in our community with the ability and skills to lead productive lives. This clinic has directly benefited and improved the lives of more than 1500 children in Western Maryland and the surrounding region.



Ribbon Cutting of the New Rite Care Clinic At Oakland Lodge No. 192. We Already Have Many Clients Using Our New Clinic Location



L to R: Jerome F. Robinette, Secretary Cumberland Scottish Rite Foundation; John Balch, Board Chairperson, The Children's League; Cathy Growden, Executive Director, The Children's League; Andra Sharpless, Worthy Matron of Oakland Eastern Star; and Jamey S. Hill, the Personal Representative, for the Valley of Cumberland Scottish Rite Freemasons.

Scottish Rite Retirement Club ! The Scottish Rite Retirement Club meets between 8:30 am and 9:00 am for business and fellowship. The Retirement Club undertakes some small projects to improve the basement area and sometimes throughout the building. In addition, when our treasury "gets plump", we usually decide on a nice location to have a "dinner with our ladies". If this sounds interesting to you and you have never been in our basement area, be sure to give these guys a free Tuesday and I'm sure you will enjoy their fellowship that they share with one another. On days that school is closed because of bad weather, we do not meet. Otherwise, the basement is always open for your visit and an enjoyable Tuesday morning. Why not give it a try ???

Departed Brethren—Cumberland Scottish Rite Bodies —Year 2017

Name	Misc.	City and State	Date of Death
Ayers, John W.	50 yr	Barton, MD	February 2, 2017
Baker, Junior W.	39+ yr	Keyser, WV	November 28, 2017
Berry, David Dick	29 yr	Liatta, SC	May 17, 2017
Brode, Howard V. 33°	49+ yr	Cumberland, MD	April 8, 2017
Brown, Charles E. 33°	40+ yr	Ellicott City, MD	April 5, 2017
Buser, Ralph Merle Buser, Jr.	25+ yr	Cumberland, MD	November 28, 2017
Bryant, Thomas A. 33°	39+ yr	Cumberland, MD	May 23, 2017
Clark, Yancey L.	58+ yr	Danville, KY	August 26, 2016
Diehl, Kyle R.	48+ yr	Cumberland, MD	September 25, 2017
Gambini, Jack G.	30+ yr	New Creek, WV	January 11, 2017
Haines, Jack E.	27+ yr	Hagerstown, MD	September 16, 2017
Hiett, Kenneth P.	28+ yr	Hagerstown, MD	July 16, 2017
Hinkle, John Ray	60+yr	Salem, VA	March 29, 2017
Horn, C. Fletcher		Charlotte, NC	February 22, 2016 (reported late)
Huber, John N.	30+ yr	Levels, WV	September 1, 2017
Hutcheson, Robert M.	45+ yr	Cumberland, MD	May 17, 2017
Kahl, John R.	25+ yr	Accident, MD	November 14, 2017
Lecron, Cyrus L.		Waynesboro, PA	February 12, 2017
Mallow, Harry A.	40+ yr	Cumberland, MD	August 20, 2017
Martin, Charles L.	38+ yr	Hagerstown, MD	January 3, 2017 (reported Late)
Miller, Vernon H.		Maysville, WV	February 7, 2017
O'Very, Alvin T.		Cumberland, MD	October 3, 2017
Roane, Thomas W.	25+ yr	Hagerstown, MD	September 2, 2017
Sigler, Charles H.		Frostburg, MD	January 21, 2016 (reported late)
Thomas, Robert B.	64+ yr	Cumberland, MD	September 19, 2017
Workmeister, John F.	50+ yr	Cumberland, MD	January 4, 2017

Passed within the Unseen Temple they have not died. They have but quietly passed from mortal contact with those who held their hand in Fraternal Love; they have but changed from shadows to the LIGHT. To Them, as it will be to all, the grave was but a portal to a fuller life — the entrance to the Divine Chapter where, with HIM, who is symbolized be the Rose Cross, there is joy and peace forever: So Mote It Be.



Row 1 (L-R) **Frederick Wallace Williams**, 32°, of Accokeek, MD; **Robert William Dawson, Jr.**, 32°, of Oldtown, MD; **John Cecil Dawson, 32°**, of Oldtown, MD; **Samuel Josiah Cope**, 32° of Oldtown, MD; **Brett Joe Densock**, 32°, of Cumberland, MD; **Johnny Lee Leighty**, 32°, of Cumberland, MD. **Row 2:** Hon. Robin Summerfield, 32°K&CCH, Assistant Personal Representative; Ill. Aaron V. Lea, 33°, Marshall of K.S.A.; Ill. Jerome F. Robinette, 33°, Secretary—Valley of Cumberland; Ill. Charles J. Hout, 33°, Class Director; Hon. Michael L. Kamauff, 32°K&CCH, Director of Works; Ill. Jamey S. Hill, 33°, Personal Representative to S.G.I.G. in Maryland. **Row 3:** Samuel J. Lane, 32°, Sr. Warden of Lodge of Perfection; Ill. Paul G. Shircliff, 33°, Personal Representative Emeritus; Hon. Joseph W. Cushall, 32°K&CCH, Captain of the Guard; Hon. Billy Joe Wrights, 32°K&CCH, Assistant Director of Works; Ill. Lonnie R. Jackson, 33°, Emeritus Class Director.