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Cumberland Knights of St. Andrew Raise \$5,000 for RiteCare

During the Robert Burns Supper on February 3rd, the Cumberland Knights of St. Andrew presented a check for \$5,000 to the Children's League on behalf of the Cumberland Scottish Rite Foundation. The funds were raised through program advertising for the annual event honoring the Immortal Memory of the revered Scottish Poet.



Pictured L to R: Mike Wade, Michael Kamauff, Angela Mandell, Joe Cushall, Jim Bosley, Cathy Growden, Ray Ryan, Jerry Robinette, and Sam Lane.

The Cumberland Scottish Rite Foundation celebrated its 20th year of partnership with the Children's League in 2017, supporting 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.



Join us for the **16th Annual "A-Thing-A-Ma-Jig"** showcasing local talent in support of the RiteCare Early Childhood Language Disorders Clinic at the Children's League.

Allegany College of Maryland Admission:
Dr. Robert Zimmer Theater \$10.00 - Adults
Friday, April 20, 2018 - 7:15 P.M. \$5.00 - Children 12 and Under

Purchase tickets online at www.cumberlandscottishrite.org
or contact Jerry Robinette at 301-729-6778.

Ceremony of Lights

Sunday, March 4, 2018

4:00 pm - Ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal
Dinner to follow Ceremony

Chapters of Rose Croix traditionally observe this Ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal, including the Mystic Banquet, as a memorial service honoring the Brethren who have passed since the last Ceremony of Lights.

This observance strengthens the ties of brotherly love, past and present. We meet together to break the bread of fraternity, to reconcile ourselves with those we may have offended, and to drink the wine of refreshment and renewal. Thus, we celebrate the lives of our departed Brethren and promise to abide by the New Law, the Law of Love, with our present Brethren and all mankind.

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301-729-6778

Unless noted; ALL brethren named in *The Perfect Elu* are 32° Scottish Rite Masons.

Valley of Cumberland Schedule of Events for 2018

March 4, 2018	Ceremony of Lights	4:00 p.m.
March 5, 2018	Lodge of Perfection	7:30 p.m.
March 10, 2018	Friend to Friend – Oakland	6:00 p.m.
March 11, 2018	Daughters of the Nile Installation, Altoona	6:00 p.m.
March 18, 2018	Designer Bag Bingo, Masonic Temple	1:30 p.m.
March 19, 2018	Lodge of Perfection	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 TBA	Degree Rehearsal 14,30,32	1:00/2:00/3:00 p.m.
April 2, 2018	Lodge of Perfection Oakland	7:30 p.m.
April 14, 2018	Friend to Friend, Williamsport	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 17 th Reunion & Conferral	7:30 a.m. Registration
April 30, 2018	KSA Initiation – 5 th Monday	7:30 p.m.
May 5, 2018	Masonic Ladies Night @ Ali Ghan Shrine	5:00 p.m.
May 7, 2018	Lodge of Perfection	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.
June 2, 2018	Celtic Festival, Friendsville	TBA
June 4, 2018	SR Strawberry Night	6:30 p.m.
June 9, 2018	Heritage Days Open House	8:00 a.m.
June 18, 2018	KSA (Burns Kick Off)	7:30 p.m.
June 23, 2018	S.R. Family Picnic	2:00 p.m. TBA

June 28, 2018	SRC Washington County	7:00 p.m.
August 6, 2018	Red Cap/ Black Cap Soiree, Churchhill Pub	6:00 p.m.
August 12, 2018	KSA Corn Roast	1:00 – 6:00 p.m.
August 21, 2018	S.R. Retirement Picnic	6:30 p.m.
September 15, 2018	Kid Walk-Kid Talk Children's League	10:00 a.m.
September 16, 2018	Degree Rehearsal – 14, 30, 32	1:00/2:00/3:00 p.m.
September 17, 2018	Lodge of Perfection	7:30 p.m.
September 23, 2018	Degree Rehearsal – 30, 32	2:00/3:00 p.m.
September 27, 2018	SRC Washington County	7:00 p.m.
September 28, 2018	Friend to Friend/Oakland, MD	6:00 p.m.
October 1, 2018	Council of Kadosh	7:30 p.m.
October 5, 2018	Friend to Friend/A.G. Shrine	6:00 p.m.
October 14, 2018	Degree Rehearsal – 14, 30, 32	1:00 / 2:00 / 3:00 p.m.
October 19, 2018	Friend to Friend, Williamsport	6:00 p.m.
October 21, 2018	Degree Rehearsal – 30, 32	2:00 / 3:00 p.m.
October 27, 2018	SR 17 th Reunion & Conferral	7:30 a.m. Registration
November 5, 2018	Lodge of Perfection- Nominations	7:30 p.m.
November 10, 2018	Hagerstown Ladies Night Out	TBA
November 16, 2018	Grand Lodge Banquet	5:00 p.m.
November 17, 2018	Grand Lodge Communication	9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
November 18, 2018	Fall Capping/Feast of Tishri	4:00 p.m.
November 19, 2018	KSA Annual Communication	7:30 p.m.
December 3, 2018	Lodge of Perfection /Election/Foundation Mtg	7:30 p.m.
December 7, 2018	S.R. Egg Nog Christmas Party, FOE #2883	6:30 p.m.
December 17, 2018	Installation Rehearsal (Casual Dress)	7:30 p.m.
January 6, 2019	2019 Installation of Officers	2:00 p.m.

Samuel J. Lane, 32° , Venerable Master, Cumberland Lodge of Perfection



Greetings from the Lodge of Perfection. The year is well under way. The Burns Supper is behind us and the Thing-A-Ma-Jig is coming on fast. I'd like to slow down a little bit and take a brief moment to discuss what's important. As a Scottish Rite Mason and the Venerable Master of the Lodge of Perfection it is of the utmost importance to me that we maintain the integrity of our ancient traditions and local customs. We must never forget who we are, where we came from, or what we stand for- we must maintain our identity as Scottish Rite Masons. However, we are men of enlightenment, and as such, we understand that life is about change. We must also understand the undeniable fact that we are all measured by how we adapt to that change. In order to remain relevant and continue our role as a guiding force in masonry we too must change. I know that there are many of you out there at this very moment getting your pitch forks from the barn, lighting your torches and heading toward my door-but before it gets that far- realize I'm not talking about change to our founding principles, rituals, or that which distinguishes us or sets us apart from other organizations Masonic or otherwise. The change I'm speaking of comes in the way in how we promote and educate ourselves to include our Brothers who may not be in the Rite- but none the less Masons.

In the coming months we will have our traditional celebrations. You may notice that our social events, ladies night, strawberry night, Christmas Party, and the like, are co-sponsored by the blue lodges and other a pendant bodies like Ali Ghan Shrine. This is new, but what better way to spread the light of masonry and the glory of the Rite than by getting together and celebrating who we are. Whether you be Scottish Rite, York Rite, Tall Cedar, Shriner, or blue lodge we are one, we are Masons-and the Rite will lead the way.

As Masons we must always take the opportunity to educate ourselves. At every meeting we will take the time to feed our minds on topics of Masonic significance; items germane to our ritual; or perhaps a topic that one of our Brothers has specialized knowledge in. The point is this; change comes to us all, whether we want it to or not, whether we are ready for it or not, but we have an unprecedented opportunity to embrace change, to make a real difference and to lead our beloved Rite into the next 100 years.

Socrates said about change "The secret of change is to focus all of your energy not on fighting the old, but on building the new".

This is our Scottish Rite and I look forward to working with you to strengthen who we are while embracing change to glorify the Supreme Architect of the Universe and our beloved Rite.

Fraternally yours,
Sam Lane, Venerable Master



Spring 2018 Masonic Friend to Friend Events

Invite a friend to attend one of these evenings of fun and fellowship with the Cumberland Scottish Rite! We will be providing information for non-Masons interested in Masonry and to Masons about the Scottish Rite. These events are free and casual.

Saturday, March 10th from 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Garrett County: American Legion

423 Memorial Drive, Oakland

Friday, March 23rd from 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Allegheny County: Ali Ghan Shrine Center

Director's Staff Building

Saturday, April 14th from 6:30 - 9:00 pm

Washington County: Third Base Tavern

35 Conococheague Street, Williamsport

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



The Knights of St. Andrew are to be congratulated on the excellent manner in which the Burns Supper came together this year. The Frostburg Gang made it possible for a record donation of \$5000 to be given by the Knights of St. Andrew to the Rite Care Speech Clinic at the League for Children. A special note of Thanks goes to John Balch of Pharmicare, and his marketing director. The Scottish Folksinger, Carl Peterson, delighted the audience as a highlight of the evening, while several of the Toasts were especially funny and well delivered.

MWGM Kostas Vourvolas spoke in his native Greek language during his initial greeting to us, which is what Burn's poetry sounded like to the uninitiated in attendance according to Grand Master Gus. The Grand Master further remarked that our fraternity has performed our charitable work for decades in silence, to our detriment. Concluding that we should seize the opportunity for membership recruitment by exclaiming our charitable works as "evidence of Freemasonry's role as the common good" in today's world.

On an unrelated subject, the Consistory recently requested a report from the Supreme Council on their projected membership figures for the Valley of Cumberland in fiscal year 2022. There is a debate among ourselves regarding our ability to maintain our current tenancy of present buildings all across the State of Maryland. Masonic jurisdictions that work together at the leadership level to promote combined Masonic events, sharing common tenancy, do better financially and fraternally than jurisdictions that insist on the status quo, thereby ignoring present membership trends.

There is also some discussion on building business offices at the Greene St. Masonic Temple for both the Scottish Rite and the Blue Lodges there. Estimates have been forwarded to the appropriate bodies and further details will be announced as information becomes available.

Brethren, it is my opinion that we should continue the present trend of working together with the other bodies to improve every members Masonic experience. Our valley membership achievement plan can carry us only so far into the future. Without solid cooperation by the fraternity, toward the fraternity itself, the way we operate will be compromised.

Salvae Frater,
III. Jamey S. Hill,
Personal Representative

Clyde Bantz Named Fall 2017 Ritualistic Champion

Congratulations to Clyde E. Bantz, 32° KCCH on being named Ritualistic Champion for the Fall 2017 Class. Bro. Bantz has long distinguished himself as a ritualist, most memorably in the role of Prelate in the 14th Degree.



Bro. Bantz's name will be the first to appear on a new Scottish Rite Ritualistic Champion plaque to be displayed in the Cumberland Masonic Temple. We look forward to recognizing one individual at each Reunion for their achievement in ritual work.





sunday, march 18th

cumberland masonic temple

doors open at 1:00 pm—bingo starts at 2:00 pm

admission \$20

purse bingo, 50/50, gaming, and raffles



designer
Bag BINGO

benefiting the Children's League RiteCare childhood speech and language disorders clinic



Cumberland Lodge of Perfection for 2018

L to R: Ill. Elmer W. "Bud" Miles, Jr., 33°, Treasurer; James M. Snider, 32° KCCH, Orator; Jason S. Landis, 32°, Sr. Warden; Samuel J. Lane, 32°, Venerable Master; Raymond W. Ryan, III, 32° KCCH, Jr. Warden; Thomas L. Paxton, 32°, Master of Ceremonies, and Ill. Jerome F. Robinette, 33°, Secretary-Registrar



Cumberland Chapter of Rose Croix for 2018

L to R: Mark E. Lathrop, 32°, Sr. Warden; Raymond W. Ryan, III, 32° KCCH, Master of Ceremonies; James Z. Bosley, 32°, Wise Master; SGIG Marlin L. Mills, 33°; and Daniel C. Stitt, 32°, Orator. Not pictured: Nicholas A. Cathell, 32°, Jr. Warden



Cumberland Council of Kadosh for 2018

L to R: Paul W. Borrer, 32°, 1st Lt. Commander; Michael W. Kamauff, 32° KCCH, Orator; Michael R. Wade, 32° KCCH, Commander; SGIG Marlin L. Mills 33°; Michael W. Kerns, 32°, Chancellor; and David J. Curry, 32°, 2nd Lt. Commander



Cumberland Consistory for 2018

L to R: Charles W. Taylor, Jr, 32° KCCH, Chancellor; Robin L. Summerfield, 32° KCCH, Minister of State; SGIG Marlin L. Mills, 33°; Edward L. Kave, Jr, 32° KCCH, Master of Kadosh; Elmer W. Miles, Jr. 33°, Preceptor; and Curtis C. Haines, 32° KCCH, Prior



Knights of St. Andrew for Year 2018

Row 1: Daniel C. Stitt, Jr. Warden; Jason S. Landis, Venerable Master; Samuel J. Lane, Sr. Warden. **Row 2:** Michael L. Kamauff, James Z. Bosley; Ill. Jamey S. Hill, Personal Rep.; Ill. Elmer W. Miles, Jr.; SGIG Marlin L. Mills; Edward L. Kave; Michael R. Wade; Raymond W. Ryan, III; Charles W. Taylor, Jr.



Honorary Past Venerable Master

Personal Representative Jamey S. Hill, 33°, presents Ill. Aaron V. Lea, 33°, with a jewel recognizing him as an Honorary Past Venerable Master of the Cumberland Lodge of Perfection.



2017 Freemasons of the Year
Hon. Curtis C. Haines, 32° KCCH, and
Hon. Michael Kamauff, 32° KCCH

L to R: Robin L. Summerfield, 32° KCCH, Venerable Master; Honorees Haines and Kamauff; and Jamey S. Hill, 33°, Personal Representative



Membership Awards

Membership Chairman G. Timothy Schupfer, 32° KCCH presents Ill. Charles J. Hout, 33°, (at left) with a RiteCare jacket in recognition of his more than 25 Top Line Petitions and a Membership Prism to David A. Cope, 32° (at right). Zachary S. Kennedy, 32°, (not pictured) also earned a Membership Prism.

Ill. Aaron V. Lea, 33°, Recognized by Hiram Lodge No. 103



Ill. Aaron V. Lea, 33°, was recently honored by Hiram Lodge No. 103 with a framed portrait to be displayed in the Lodge. Brother Lea is the second member of Hiram Lodge elected to receive the title of 33° Inspector General Honorary. Brother Lea shares this distinction with MWPGM A. Wayne Reed, who was a member and Past Master of Hiram Lodge. Brother Lea has served his blue lodge and the Scottish Rite with distinction for more than 45 years.

Several brethren of the Scottish Rite who attended the presentation at Hiram Lodge to celebrate this great achievement with Bro. Lea are pictured at left with WM Tim Kady, Bro. Lea, and his wife Laura.

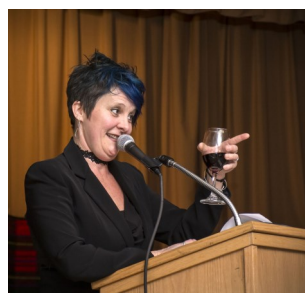
Members Honored for Their Years of Service

Six members of the Valley of Cumberland were presented with service awards for years of service to the Scottish Rite during the Combined Installation and Capping Ceremony in January. Together, these brethren have contributed 425 years to the Valley of Cumberland and the Scottish Rite. Each brother was presented with a pin denoting his years of service and a certificate.

Pictured L to R: Edward L. Root, 40 years; SGIG Marlin L. Mills; Robert R. Bosley, 50 years; Ernest E. Combs, Sr., 50 years; William L. Kerns; 50 years; Ill. Aaron V. Lea, 45 years; Frederick L. McKenzie, 40 years; Ill. Jamey S. Hill, Personal Representative.



Burns Supper Highlights



Jason S. Landis, 32°, Venerable Master, Cumberland Knights of St. Andrew

The Cumberland Knights of Saint Andrew have begun their labors welcoming in the New Officers for 2018 and finishing out the 2017 year with the Burns Supper. It is my pleasure to be the Venerable Master for the upcoming year and it is my hope that we can grow by finding more Black Cap Scottish Rite Masons who wish to expand their knowledge and leadership within Masonry. Additionally, in the coming year it is our goal to reach out not only to our charitable organizations but to the other bodies within Masonry as well.

It is our desire to lead by example and in doing so bring the individual bodies of the Masonic Community together. We have all been so busy pursuing our own agendas that we may have lost sight of our beginnings, and the foundation that we are ALL family.

For those who like being the face of the Scottish Rite, being involved with parades, open houses, and attending events where your presence has been requested, do not hesitate to fill out the application or speak with any KSA member. We would love to have you join us. You will find that the members of the Knights of Saint Andrew are typically some of the most active and involved in Masonry in the Valley of Cumberland. Not to mention certainly the best dressed at any event.



Sir Jason Landis, 32°
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 _____

What is an Endowed Life Membership?



As a Maryland Scottish Rite member you can become a **LIFE MEMBER** for a one time payment of **\$800**, once your dues are current.

If you would like to participate in this program, submit a notice to the secretary and he will process the paperwork to have you enrolled in the Endowed Life Membership program. These collected fees go into a separate investment account and will then continue to grow and help support the Scottish Rite in the years to come.

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



This issue of The Perfect Elu may look different from our previous issues. Many special efforts of our Executive Staff members have contributed to the layout of numerous articles and pictures about your Scottish Rite and some of the new ideas that are presently being implemented for the betterment of our fine fraternity.

I hope that every member appreciates the efforts of the small number of individuals that seem to be doing most of the work to keep our Scottish Rite on its feet and running in the right direction. As our membership continues to decline each year, the amount of tasks that are necessary to maintain a successful organization are still the same. The same "handful of devoted members" are regular attendees at our Scottish Rite meetings and if it was not for their devotion to the Rite, we would not be able to do all of the things we are doing throughout the year. We only meet several nights a month (first and third Mondays) and we need more members to "come out and see what is happening in their Scottish Rite" and give us their input. We have many good officers throughout our bodies and they could use your input to determine what the average Scottish Rite member expects from the Rite. We all have obligations and we respect your personal obligations, but some of our members have nothing to do and could give several hours a month to come out and take part in our Scottish Rite activities. We would like to see you there.

Members should be aware of their dues status and try to keep them from falling in arrears. If you do not have a current membership card, that means that we have lost your financial assistance in supporting our Scottish Rite Foundation, our local scholarship program and support of our FREE Rite Care facility managed and operated by the Children's League in Cumberland. We have recently expanded their services to include the Oakland area with the assistance of the Oakland Lodge located there. Several dozen children are now being treated for speech problems as a result of our expanded coverage to that area. Your continued financial support is appreciated and I am sure that the families being helped thank you also. Please give the above information some attention, we need your support.

Fraternally, Jerry Robinette, Secretary

The Cumberland Scottish Rite, Ali Ghan Shriners, and Blue Lodges of Western Maryland cordially invite you to join us in honoring our special ladies during

Masonic Ladies Night

at Ali Ghan Shrine Club, Cumberland

Saturday, May 5, 2018 @ 5:00pm

Featuring the Music of Queen City Funk & Soul

Tickets \$25/person

HOSTED BY THE FOLLOWING



Potomac Lodge No. 100



Queen City Lodge No. 131



East Gate Lodge No. 216



Friendship Lodge No. 84

Tickets available online at www.cumberlandsctishrite.org
or by returning the reservation form on page 12

SCOTTISH RITE RETIREMENT CLUB: Having fun doing good!

Several new brothers have discovered the unique Tuesday morning club that meets in the basement of the Cumberland Masonic Temple. Members of the Scottish Rite Retirement Club gather between 8:30 am and 9:00 am, hold a very short business meeting, and collect the \$1.00 per week dues.

When the business is all taken care of, we get out our pool sticks and exercise our hidden talents on the pool table. Needless to say, we always have coffee and



donuts to keep a smile on our faces when we lose at pool. 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 ????

ONE DAY SPRING CLASS—SATURDAY April 28, 2018 Our 171st Convocation: Dedicated to Ill. Howard V. Brode, 33°

- 7:30 am** Candidates Report for Registration - Light refreshments provided
- 8:30 am** Open Lodge for Members - Short Business Session as Needed
- 8:45 am** **4th Degree** Presented by our Degree Team and Members
- 9:30 am** **14th Degree** Presented by our Degree Team and Members
- 10:45 am** **18th Degree** Presented by our Degree Team and Members
- 11:30 am** **30th Degree** Presented and Class Picture Taken
- 12:45 pm** Our 171st Reunion Luncheon will be prepared and served by the Princess Restaurant (This Luncheon is for Class and ALL Scottish Rite Members. No charge for the luncheon, but reservations are required by members.)
- 2:00 pm** **32nd Degree** Presented - Approximate dismissal: 4:00 pm.



(Reservation form for Reunion Dinner is on Page 12 of this publication.)

IF IT HAS BEEN SEVERAL YEARS SINCE YOU HAVE ATTENDED A CONVOCATION AND REUNION DINNER - WE WOULD BE GLAD TO SEE YOU AT THIS REUNION IN OUR NEWLY RENNOVATED MASONIC TEMPLE, YOUR FELLOW RITE MEMBERS WILL BE THERE !!!!



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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 \$25**)

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 _____

171st REUNION LUNCHEON Saturday, April 28, 2018

Name: _____ Guest: _____ Telephone: _____

No Charge for this Meal, But Reservations Are Requested

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

*Clip and Mail this form***Ceremony of Lights/Memorial Service & Dinner Reservation Form****Sunday, March 4, 2018 at the Masonic Temple 4:00 pm****Reservations are a must!** Please make the following reservations: \$15.00 per person

Name: _____ Guest: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____

No reservations accepted without payments: Total enclosed: \$ _____

Reservation Deadline: February 28, 2018

Make check payable to: Cumberland Scottish Rite

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

*Clip and Mail this form***CAPPING CEREMONY Sunday, May 20, 2018****at 2:00 pm in the Masonic Temple**Please make the following reservations at **\$15.00 per person.** Reservations are due by May 16, 2018

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

*Clip and Mail this form***WESTERN MARYLAND MASONIC LADIES NIGHT - SATURDAY, MAY 5, 2018****Ali Ghan Shrine Center****Social Hour 5:00 pm Dinner 6:00 pm**Please make the following reservations at \$25.00 per person: **Deadline is April 30, 2018**I am enclosing \$ _____ for my reservations. Make check payable to **Cumberland Scottish Rite.**

My Entrée selections are _____ 6 oz Filet Steak and / or _____ Crab Cakes

Name: _____ Guest: _____ Widows: NO CHARGE

Telephone _____ No reserved seating - Please plan accordingly.

Payment must be made with reservations and will not be accepted by telephone.

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