



181st and 182nd

Convocation & Reunion

Saturday, April 1, 2023

Saturday, October 21, 2023

Cumberland Lodge of Perfection
Cumberland Chapter of Rose Croix
Cumberland Council of Kadosh
Cumberland Consistory

Cumberland Chapter of
Knights of Saint Andrew

ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED

SCOTTISH RITE

OF

FREEMASONRY

Valley of Cumberland
Orient of Maryland

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THE SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY

Valley of Cumberland ☛ Orient of Maryland

2023 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

All events at Cumberland Masonic Temple unless Indicated

- Jan 2 Installation of Officers at 7:30 pm
Jan 16 Lodge of Perfection at 7:30 pm
Jan 17 Buck-A-Cup Awards – Arby’s at 3:00 pm
Feb 4 Robert Burns Night at 5:00 pm
Feb 6 Degree Rehearsal 30th Degree at 6:30 pm
Feb 6 Lodge of Perfection at 7:30 pm
Feb 20 Council of Kadosh at 7:30 pm
Mar 20 Consistory at 7:30 pm
Mar 27 KSA Rehearsal at 6:00 pm
Apr 1 181st Spring Conferral & Reunion at 7:30 am
Apr 3 KSA Meeting at 7:30 pm
Apr 16 Kirkin’ of the Tartan – Detail TBA
Apr 17 Chapter of Rose Croix
Apr 23 Ceremony of Lights & Spring Capping at 4:00 pm
May 1 Lodge of Perfection @ Oakland Lodge at 7:30 pm
May 6 Western MD Masonic Ladies Night at 5:00 pm
May 12 A-Thing-A-Ma-Jig @ Mezzos at 6:00 pm
May 15 Lodge of Perfection at 7:30 pm
May 29 GL of MD Semi-Annual Communication
Jun 3 Garrett County Celtic Festival
Jun 3 GL of MD Family Picnic
Jun 5 Masonic Strawberry Night
Jun 19 Robert Burns Night Committee
Jun 25 St. John’s Day Service @ Christ Lutheran Church
Jul 22 Grandmaster’s Ball – GL of MD at 6:00 pm
Jul 29 SR Family Corn Roast @ Summerfield Lane
Aug 7 Degree Rehearsal 30th Degree at 6:30 pm
Aug 21 KSA Business Meeting & Rehearsal
Sep 5 Visitation to Meyersdale Lodge No. 554
Sep 16 Kid Walk/Kid Talk – Children’s League at 10:00 am
Sep 18 Degree Rehearsal 32nd Degree at 6:30 pm
Sep 18 Chapter of Rose Croix at 7:30 pm
Sep 24 Degree Rehearsal 14/30/32 at 1:00/2:00/3:00
Oct 2 Council of Kadosh
Oct 7 GL of MD Harvest Home Day
Oct 8 Degree Rehearsal 14/30/32 at 1:00/2:00/3:00
Oct 16 Degree Rehearsal 30th Degree at 6:30 pm
Oct 19 Orient of Maryland Honors Day
Oct 21 182nd Fall Conferral & Reunion at 7:30 am
Oct 30 KSA Meeting at 7:30 pm
Nov 4 8th Annual Masonic Bird Hunt, Addison, PA
Nov 6 Lodge of Perfection at 7:30 pm
Nov 12 Feast of Tishri & Fall Capping at 4:00 pm
Nov 20 Cumberland Scottish Rite Foundation Annual Meeting at 7:30 pm
Nov 27 KSA Annual Communication & Festival of St. Andrew at 5:30 pm
Dec 4 Lodge of Perfection/Election of Officers at 7:30 pm
Dec 5 Scottish Rite Social Club Holiday Party – Details TBA
Dec 18 Officer Orientation & Installation Rehearsal at 6:00 pm

JAN 7, 2024 – OPEN INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS AT 2:00 PM

ALLEGIANCE TO THE SUPREME COUNCIL

The Bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, sitting in the Valley of Cumberland, Orient of Maryland, acknowledge and yield allegiance to the Supreme Council (Mother Council of the world) of the Temple of Solomon, of the Thirty-Third and Last Degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America, whose See is at the Grand Orient of Charleston, in the State of South Carolina, now sitting in Washington, D.C.

Illustrious

JAMES D. COLE, 33°

Sovereign Grand Commander of the Supreme Council

Illustrious

WILLIAM G. SIZEMORE, 33°

Grand Executive Director of the Supreme Council

Illustrious

MARLIN L. MILLS, 33°

Sovereign Grand Inspector General in Maryland

CUMBERLAND SCOTTISH RITE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2023

Illustrious

JAMEY S. HILL, 33°

Personal Representative to the Valley of Cumberland

Illustrious

ROBIN L. SUMMERFIELD, 33°

Secretary-Registrar

Illustrious

JEROME F. ROBINETTE, 33°

Assistant Personal Representative

Brother

JAMES B. KALBFLESH, 32°

Treasurer

Venerable Master

Senior Warden

Junior Warden

Wise Master

Commander

Master of Kadosh (Designee)

Venerable Master (KSA)

Appointed

Appointed

Appointed

Bro. Mark E. Lathrop, 32°

Bro. Michael W. Kerns, 32°

Hon. James B. Summerfield, 32° KCCH

Ill. Robin L. Summerfield, 33°

Bro. Jason S. Snyder, 32°

Hon. Michael L. Kamauff, 32° KCCH

Bro. Michael W. Kerns, 32°

Bro. Richard E. Haines, 32°

Bro. Dylan M. Keister, 32°

Bro. Harry R. Ringler, 32°

SCOTTISH RITE OFFICERS FOR 2023

CUMBERLAND LODGE OF PERFECTION 4° – 14°

Venerable Master	Bro. Mark E. Lathrop, 32°
Senior Warden	Bro. Michael W. Kerns, 32°
Junior Warden	Hon. James B. Summerfield, 32° KCCH
Orator	Bro. Richard E. Haines, 32°
Master of Ceremonies	Bro. Dwight C. Metcalf, 32°

CUMBERLAND CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX 15° – 18°

Wise Master	Ill. Robin L. Summerfield, 33°
Senior Warden	Bro. Marc T. Valentine, 32°
Junior Warden	Hon. Samuel J. Lane, 32° KCCH
Orator	Hon. Brent A. Lewis, 32° KCCH
Master of Ceremonies	

CUMBERLAND COUNCIL OF KADOSH 19° – 30°

Commander	Bro. Jason S. Snyder, 32°
1st Lieutenant	Bro. Jason M. Bennett, 32°
2nd Lieutenant	Bro. Randolph C. Bennett, 32°
Chancellor	Bro. Christopher C. Lawson, 32°
Orator	

CUMBERLAND CONSISTORY 31° – 32°

Master of Kadosh	Hon. Michael L. Kamauff, 32° KCCH
Prior	Bro. Mark E. Lathrop, 32°
Preceptor	Bro. Michael W. Kerns, 32°
Chancellor	Hon. James B. Summerfield, 32° KCCH
Minister of State	Bro. Richard E. Haines, 32°

CUMBERLAND KNIGHTS OF ST. ANDREW

Venerable Master	Bro. Michael W. Kerns, 32°
Senior Warden	Bro. Mark E. Lathrop, 32°
Junior Warden	Bro. Brett T.J. Bean, 32°
Secretary/Treasurer	Hon. Samuel J. Lane, 32° KCCH
Senior Deacon	Bro. Dylan M. Keister, 32°
Junior Deacon	Bro. Randolph C. Bennett, 32°
Tyler/Marshal	Bro. Marc T. Valentine, 32°

CO-ORDINATE BODIES FOR 2023

Almoner	Hon. Mark L. Widmyer, 32° KCCH
Assistant Almoner	Hon. Michael L. Kamauff, 32° KCCH
Tyler	Bro. Jason M. Bennett, 32°
Director of Works	Bro. Mark E. Lathrop, 32°
Asst. Director of Works	Bro. Michael W. Kerns, 32°
Historian and Archivist	Ill. Robin L. Summerfield, 33°
Executive Board Members appointed by the Personal Representative	
	Bro. Richard E. Haines, 32°
	Bro. Dylan M. Keister, 32°
	Bro. Harry R. Ringler, 32°

TO OUR INITIATES

You are about to begin your pilgrimage through the Scottish Rite Degrees and it may become to you one of the greatest and most inspiring experiences of your life. This journey will offer new light and new discovery on our way to receiving the Thirty-Second Degree and becoming a Master of the Royal Secret.



If you bring a receptive mind and a sensitive heart to these Degrees, you will indeed be a wiser and better man. It is our hope and prayer that your experiences may be rich and significant.



CONVOCAATION SCHEDULE

SPRING REUNION - Saturday, April 1, 2023
FALL REUNION – Saturday, October 21, 2023

Masonic Temple, Cumberland

7:00 AM	Coffee and Donuts in the Social Hall
7:30 AM	Candidates Report for Registration
8:00 AM	Open Lodge for Members
8:20 AM	Introduction of Scottish Rite Degrees
8:30 AM	Conferral of 4° Secret Master
9:30 AM	Conferral of 14° Perfect Elu
10:30 AM	Conferral of 18° Knight Rose Croix
11:15 AM	Conferral of 30° Knight Kadosh
12:15 PM	Reunion Luncheon
1:15 PM	Conferral of 32° Master of the Royal Secret
2:30 pm	Dismissal (approximate)

ORGANIZATION

The Scottish Rite in the United States has two Supreme Councils: one which governs the Southern Jurisdiction and another governing the Northern Jurisdiction. The Southern Jurisdiction encompasses many territories outside the United States and all but 15 of the Continental United States. The 15 states are governed by the Northern Jurisdiction. Each state is designated as an “Orient” and is headed by a Sovereign Grand Inspector General (SGIG), or a Deputy of the Supreme Council. This official’s tenure is for an indefinite period.

Operating within an Orient are the bodies that carry out the activities of the Rite in a number of locations. The locations are designated “Valleys”, such as “Valley of Cumberland.”

The larger Valleys have four Bodies, the title of the presiding officers and the degrees under the auspices of each are:



LODGE OF PERFECTION – Venerable Master
4° - 14° The Ineffable Degrees

CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX – Wise Master
15° - 18° Historical and Religious Degrees

COUNCIL OF KADOSH – Commander
19° - 30° Philosophical and Chivalric Degrees

CONSISTORY – Master of Kadosh
31° & 32° Ceremonial and Official Degrees

The Orient of Maryland consists of six Valleys, each with its own officers. The Valley of Baltimore and the Valley of Cumberland have all four bodies. For those Valleys that do not have a Council of Kadosh and/or a Consistory, their membership are members of the Valley of Baltimore’s Council of Kadosh and/or Consistory.

PATENTS

Upon attainment of the 32°, you will become eligible for a Patent of Membership. This Patent is your identification and may be required in order to visit other Scottish Rite Bodies. The Secretary-Registrar will provide your Patent when it is available.

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THE PERFECT ELU

THE PERFECT ELU is a newsletter that is delivered to all members in good standing by U.S. Mail, electronically to those members who have provided an E-Mail address, and is also available to view and download from the Valley website. To receive the newsletter by E-Mail, sign up online at www.cumberlandscottishrite.org.

RITE NEWS OF MARYLAND

THE RITE NEWS OF MARYLAND is a quarterly magazine issued by the Orient of Maryland. It contains schedules and items of interest for members and friends.

THE SCOTTISH RITE JOURNAL™

THE SCOTTISH RITE JOURNAL magazine is the official publication of the Supreme Council. It is sent free of charge to all Brethren who have attained the 32°. You should receive your first copy approximately three months after receiving the 32°.

SCOTTISH RITE ON THE WEB

Keep up to date with the Supreme Council, the Orient of Maryland, and the Valley of Cumberland, make online reservations, explore educational opportunities, and purchase items from the Scottish Rite online at the following websites:

Supreme Council

www.scottishrite.org

Orient of Maryland

www.mdscottishrite.org

Valley of Cumberland

www.cumberlandscottishrite.org



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FREEMASON OF THE YEAR



Bro. Dwight C. Metcalf, 32°
2022 Freemason of the Year

FREEMASON OF THE TERTIA CENTURIA

Ill. Jerome F. Robinette, 33°

Awarded January 16, 2017

FREEMASON OF THE DECADE

Ill. Charles J. Hout, 33°

Awarded January 3, 2016

FREEMASON OF THE YEAR VALLEY OF CUMBERLAND

Hon. William R. Zimmer, 32° KCCH	2013
Ill. Kenneth R. Wilson, 33°	2014
Hon. Aaron V. Lea, 32° KCCH	2015
Hon. Curtis C. Haines, 32° KCCH	2017
Hon. Michael L. Kamauff, 32° KCCH	2017
Hon. Samuel J. Lane, 32° KCCH	2018
Hon. Richard R. Gornall, 32° KCCH	2019
Hon. James B. Summerfield, 32° KCCH	2020
Ill. James M. Snider 33°	2021
Bro. Dwight C. Metcalf, 32°	2022

CLASS DEDICATIONS

The 2023 Convocations of the Cumberland Scottish Rite are dedicated to the following Honourmen who have passed to the Celestial Lodge above in honor of their dedicated service to the Valley of Cumberland, Orient of Maryland.



Ill. James M. Snider, 33°



Ill. Aaron V. Lea, 33°



SIGN OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD AND PRAYER CAP

THE SCOTTISH RITE PRAYER CAP is considered a part of the uniform and is treated as such. Consequently, it must not be removed when the flag is passing, while saying the Pledge of Allegiance, or during prayer. On such occasions as the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance or the performance of the National Anthem, the cap remains on the head and the Scottish Rite Mason places his right hand on his heart.

DURING PRAYER, the cap remains in place, but the head is slightly bowed and the hands are placed in the "Sign of the Good Shepherd" with the left arm folded over the right with fingers outstretched and touching the shoulders comfortably. This dignified position reflects the compassionate spirit of the Scottish Rite in recalling the Good Shepherd as He carried a lamb over His neck, holding its feet with His crossed arms.

CUMBERLAND VALLEY SCOTTISH RITE DRESS CODE

The recommended dress code for all Scottish Rite members is Prayer Cap (Black, Red, White, or 50-Year) and tuxedo.

- Installation of Officers
- Ceremony of Lights
- Convocations and Reunions
- Feast of Tishri
- Capping and/or Appreciation Ceremonies

Prayer Caps are not worn for the following events:

- Scottish Rite Ladies Night – Tuxedo or Dinner Jacket
- Strawberry Night – Casual Dress
- Memorial Services or Funerals

Note: Prayer Caps may be worn for other special occasions at the order of the Venerable Master.

Knights of St. Andrew may wear Glengarry and Uniform Parade Dress for formal events and Glengarry and Sash for all other lodge and public events.

HISTORY OF THE SCOTTISH RITE

After the organization of the Grand Lodge of England in 1717, Masonry became very popular. It passed over the Channel to France in 1725 where many ritualists invented numerous "side degrees" subject to no governing body and hawked them about the country and through the continent.

In 1740, Chevalier Ramsey, a Scottish nobleman, gave some famous lectures in Paris and Bordeaux on the origin and objects of Masonry. He subdivided the "Three Degrees" and concocted degrees from the parts explained by his philosophic lectures. He established a Lodge which he called Harodim, but the French styled it Scotchman's Lodge Masonry, which in fact may have had something to do with this misnomer, Scottish Rite. Mackey says, no part of the Scottish Rite was originated in Scotland with the possible exception of the Royal Order of Scotland.

The Scottish Rite has its beginning in France. In 1754, the Chevalier de Bonneville established in the College of Clermont in Paris a chapter of twenty-five so-called High Degrees. This college was a sort of refuge for the Stuarts of Scotland, which in fact may have had some bearing on the name, Scottish Rite. The Body established by Bonneville, including the symbolic degrees, was called the Rite of Perfection. In 1758, these degrees were taken by Marquis de Lemais to Berlin, where they in the following year were placed under a body called the Council of the Emperors of the East and West, which was formed at Paris from the ruins of the Clermont Chapter.

In 1762, it is said that Fredrick the Great "formed and promulgated" what is known as the Constitutions of 1762. In 1786, a reorganization took place in which eight degrees were added to the twenty-five and the name changed to the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry. By three Constitutions, Fredrick resigned the authority of Grand Commander, which title he had held since the adoption of the Grand Constitutions in 1772, and deposited his Masonic Prerogatives with a council in each nation to be composed of Sovereign Grand Inspectors General of the Thirty-Third and last degree of Freemasonry.

Scottish Rite Masonry began in Cumberland on November 13, 1899, with the first meeting of Meredith Lodge of Perfection No. 3. On October 20, 1955, the Supreme Council changed Meredith Lodge, Kedron Chapter Knights Rose Croix, and Potomac Council Knights Kadosh to Cumberland Lodge of Perfection, Cumberland Chapter Knights Rose Croix, and Cumberland Council Knights Kadosh, respectively.



PHILANTHROPY

ALL MASONIC ORGANIZATIONS SUPPORT CHARITIES OF ONE KIND OR ANOTHER. THE SUPREME COUNCIL AND COMPONENTS OF THE SOUTHERN JURISDICTION SUPPORT CHARITIES THAT PRIMARILY BENEFIT THE COMMUNITY. THESE INCLUDE:



CLINICS. Individual Valleys support 180 RiteCare Clinics across the United States in the Southern Jurisdiction. The Cumberland Scottish Rite Foundation, Inc., supported by members and friends of the Order, makes possible the

operation of the Children's League RiteCare Scottish Rite Childhood Speech and Language Disorders Clinic. Clinics are located in Cumberland, Oakland, Petersburg, and Keyser.

SCHOLARSHIPS. The Leonard and Jane Schwab Scottish Rite Foundation Scholarship provides four \$500 scholarships each year to full-time students at Allegany College of Maryland with a family relationship to the Scottish Rite.

ALMONER'S FUND. This is another of the charitable functions of the Valley of Cumberland. The Almoner, an elected officer of the Valley, is responsible for the distribution of funds to the relief of Scottish Rite members and their families.

HOSPITALS, supported by the Orients in the Supreme Council, S.J. One is in the State of Georgia and the other is in the State of Texas. The hospitals were originally established exclusively for the treatment of children. These hospitals are associated with leading educational institutions in the South, which have always been at the leading edge of medical research. The Texas hospital's mission has been expanded into the diagnosis and treatment of childhood learning disorders. No one has ever been turned away from these hospitals because of their inability to pay.



THE LODGE OF PERFECTION DEGREES

The 4° – 14° are called the Ineffable Degrees because their principal purpose is the investigation and contemplation of the ineffable name of Deity. The word ineffable derives from the Latin “ineffabilis” meaning something which should not be spoken. As used in these degrees, it refers to the belief of Ancient Judaism that the name of God was not to be spoken. This concept forms a metaphor for the Scottish Rite teachings that all of the essential qualities of Deity are incapable of description in language.

4° SECRET MASTER

Team Captain

Hon. Gary Shriver, 32° KCCH
920-737-0087

14° PERFECT ELU

Team Captain

Ill. Jamey S. Hill, 33°
240-362-2705



THE CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX DEGREES

The Perfect Elu who seeks Rose Croix Knighthood must preach the Truth in the Desert of Human life; be Loyal in the Matters of God, Country, Family, and Obligation; Know that the True Light of Life only comes from Study and Discernment of the Great Teachings, Tenets and Belief of the Philosophies of the East and West, and True Belief that the Way to Life and the New Law of Life is pointed out by the Constellations Faith, Hope, and Charity.

18° KNIGHT ROSE CROIX

Team Captain

Ill. Theodore Raynovich, III, 33°
Telephone 301-387-4545



THE COUNCIL OF KADOSH DEGREES

The Rose Croix who seeks the stability of the Knight Kadosh must be Patient in his study of the Great Philosophies and Mysteries of the Past and Present; Endeavor to Understand True Civil and Religious Liberties Embodied in True Virtues of Chivalry; and be Conscious of the Obligations of a Soldier of Justice, Right, and Truth.

30° KNIGHT KADOSH

Team Captain

Bro. James B. Kalbflesh, 32°

Telephone 240-580-0908



THE CONSISTORY DEGREES

Tried and Tested by the Inspector Inquisitor and Found to be Worthy, and Having Studied the Camp Scene and Taken the Five Obligations of Service, the Master of the Royal Secret goes forth to Serve God, Country, and Man as the Priest and Apostle of the Holy Doctrine.

32° MASTER OF THE ROYAL SECRET

Team Captain

Hon. Samuel J. Lane, 32° KCCH

Telephone 240-580-0908

A complete listing of cast members for each Degree Conferral will be provided separately during each Conferral.

**CUMBERLAND SCOTTISH RITE BODIES
BLUE LODGE DIPLOMATS**

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

Samuel J. Lane
240-580-0908

FRIENDSHIP No. 84

Stephen K. Gaudette & Benjamin A. Zamostny

MOUNTAIN No. 99

Joseph W. Cushall & Phillip C. Lashbaugh

POTOMAC No. 100

Elmer W. Miles, Jr. & Robert W. Dawson, Jr.

HIRAM No. 103

Jonathan M. Dowden

QUEEN CITY No. 131

Samuel J. Lane & Dwight C. Metcalf

MEDAIRY No. 140

Edward L. Kave, Jr.

KEMP No. 154

Jamey S. Hill & Kenneth D. Shook

GEORGE'S CREEK VALLEY No. 161

William D. Hunt

JAMES W. BOWERS No. 173

R. Francis Shives

OAKLAND No. 192

Theodore Raynovich, III & Brent A. Lewis

EAST GATE No. 216

Christopher C. Lawson & Robin L. Summerfield

HAGERSTOWN No. 217

Kevin H. Willis

DIPLOMATS AT-LARGE

Jason R. Finch

Harry L. "Cork" Ringler

Marc T. Valentine

COUNTY COORDINATORS

Washington County Bro. James D. Carraway, 32°

Allegany County Ill. Robin L. Summerfield, 33°

Garrett County Hon. Brent A. Lewis, 32° KCCH

Each brother is an ambassador and diplomat!

**LIVING PAST
VENERABLE MASTERS**

**CUMBERLAND
LODGE OF PERFECTION**

Kenneth A. Robertson	1978
G. Frederick Widmyer	1981
Donald K. Hansel	1993
Robert E. Engelbach	1994
David L. Hall	1997
Paul G. Shircliff	2000
Lonnie R. Jackson	2005
John S. Spence	2007
C. Wayne Skidmore	2008
Jamey S. Hill	2009
Gerald L.G. Vannienwenhove	2010
Clint E. Snyder	2011
Kenneth R. Wilson	2012
Gary W. Freeman	2013
R. Francis Shives, III	2014
Charles W. Taylor, Jr.	2016
Robin L. Summerfield	2017
Samuel J. Lane	2018
Jason S. Landis	2019
James M. Snider	2020 & 2021
Michael W. Kamauff	2022

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES

Ill. Robert B. Young, 33°	1992-1993 Emeritus
Ill. Carleton A. Shore, 33°	1994-1996 Emeritus
Ill. Irvin W. Johnson, 33°	1997-1999 Emeritus
Ill. Paul G. Shircliff, 33°	2000-2016 Emeritus
Ill. Jamey S. Hill, 33°	2016 – Present



**LIVING INSPECTORS
GENERAL HONORARY
VALLEY OF CUMBERLAND**



NAME	CORONETED
G. Frederick Widmyer	1987
Jerome F. Robinette	1991
Kenneth A. Robertson	1993
Donald K. Hansel	1997
Paul G. Shircliff	1999
Jay W. Hodges	2003
Lonnie R. Jackson	2007
C. Wayne Skidmore	2009
M. Robert Wheatley	2009
Theodore Raynovich, III	2011
Jamey S. Hill	2013
R. Francis Shives, III	2013
Kenneth R. Wilson	2015
Elmer W. Miles, Jr.	2017
Robin L. Summerfield	2021

INSPECTOR GENERAL HONORARY

The Thirty-Third Degree is conferred by the Supreme Council upon members of the Rite in recognition of outstanding service to the Rite, or, in public life, to the principles taught in the Degrees. The Thirty-Third Degree cannot be asked for and, if asked for, must be



refused. At its biennial session, the Supreme Council elects recommended members of the Rite to receive the Thirty-Third Degree. The 33 Masons are titled Inspector General Honorary and are honorary members of the Supreme Council. The active members of the Supreme Council, not to exceed thirty-three, are chosen from among them.



**LIVING KNIGHTS COMMANDER
COURT OF HONOUR
VALLEY OF CUMBERLAND**



NAME	INVESTED
David B. Robinson	1993
Robert E. Engelbach	1995
Clyde E. Bantz	2003
Lewis M. Marks, II	2003
Roger P. Douglas	2005
John S. Spence	2005
Curtis C. Haines	2007
Carl F. Slemmer	2007
Charles T. Tressler	2007
Clint E. Snyder	2009
Gerald L.G. Vannienwenhove	2009
Mark L. Widmyer	2009
Richard R. Gornall	2011
Gary W. Freeman	2013
John M. Greer	2013
Billy J. Wrights	2013
Harold E. Harris	2015
Michael L. Kamauff	2015
William R. Zimmer	2015
Joseph W. Cushall	2017
Edward L. Kave, Jr.	2017
Joseph S. Kennedy	2017
Raymond W. Ryan, III	2017
Michael R. Wade	2017
Samuel J. Lane	2019
Brent A. Lewis	2021
Gary A. Shriver	2021
James B. Summerfield	2021

**KNIGHT COMMANDER
OF THE COURT OF HONOUR**

At its biennial session, certain 32° Masons who have been such at least four years, and who have rendered signal service to the Rite, are chosen to receive the Rank and Decoration of Knight Commander of the Court of Honour. The decoration is conferred in a very impressive ceremony of investiture. This is a rank and decoration, and not a degree. The members who hold it are designated 32° KCCH.



MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

D. Kenneth Harris	1998
R. Jeffrey Buser	2003
Charles R. Lanham	2003
C. Thomas Willison	2003
Jeffrey W. DeWitt	2005
Clifton J. Jenkins, Sr.	2005
Robert R. Bosley	2008
Gerald P. Chungo	2008
Ernest E. Combs, Sr.	2008
Charles R. DeVault	2008
Elbert W. Green, Jr.	2008
T. Eugene Holland	2008
Phillip C. Lashbaugh	2008
Jason J. Leith	2008
William F. Skinner	2008
George N. Taylor, Sr.	2008
W. Eric Wotring	2008
Ivan G. Steele	2010
John C. Dawson	2020
Robert W. Dawson, Jr.	2020
Darrin M. Hott	2020
Michael W. Kerns	2020
Mark E. Lathrop	2020
Jeffrey R. Leaf	2020
Carson D. Reinhart	2020

Note: Brethren who have received the Rank and Decoration of Knight Commander of the Court of Honour after receiving the MSA are not included in the listing above.



**KNIGHTS OF SAINT ANDREW
VALLEY OF CUMBERLAND**

Organized September 27, 2007

OFFICERS FOR 2023

Venerable Master	Michael W. Kerns, 32°
Knight Commander-EMER	Samuel J. Lane, 32° KCCH
Senior Warden	Mark E. Lathrop, 32°
Junior Warden	Brett T.J. Bean, 32°
Senior Deacon	Dylan M. Keister, 32°
Junior Deacon	Randolph C. Bennett, 32°
Chaplain-EMER	Joseph W. Cushall, 32° KCCH
Asst. Chaplain-EMER	Elmer W. Miles, Jr., 33°
Secretary-Treasurer	Samuel J. Lane, 32° KCCH
Project Manager	Dwight C. Metcalf, 32°
Tyler/Marshal	Marc T. Valentine, 32°
Expert-EMER	Mark C. Weatherholt, 32° KCCH

KNIGHTS CHEVALIER

Jamey S. Hill, 33°	2015
Michael L. Kamauff, 32° KCCH	2019

HONOR GUARD

Brett T.J. Bean	Dwight C. Metcalf
Joseph W. Cushall	Elmer W. Miles, Jr.
Robert A. Elliott	Harry L. Ringler, Jr.
Elbert W. Green, Jr.	Jerome F. Robinette
Jamey S. Hill	Raymond W. Ryan, III
Dylan M. Keister	Clint E. Snyder
Ghini Khalsa	James B. Summerfield
Michael L. Kamauff	Robin L. Summerfield
Edward L. Kave, Jr.	Marc T. Valentine
Jason S. Landis	Mark C. Weatherholt
Samuel J. Lane	Randolph C. Bennett
Mark E. Lathrop	Jason M. Bennett
Wayne C. Lockard	Richard E. Haines

CEREMONY OF LIGHTS

CHAPTERS OF ROSE CROIX traditionally observe this Ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal, including the Mystic Banquet, as a memorial service honoring the Knights of their Chapter who have passed on during the preceding year.



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.

THE FEAST OF TISHRI

THE FEAST OF TISHRI is the most symbolic of Scottish Rite Festivals. Through this celebration we reaffirm our dedication to human concord and the Brotherhood of all men in a world of peace. We resolve to build, as Solomon did, through harmony and cooperation ever seeking peace for all mankind. As the children of Israel were led through the wilderness, God decreed the celebration of a seven-day feast in the Jewish month of Tishri, during which they were to live in “sukkahs” (shelters or Booths).



This feast was to be celebrated annually to forever remind the Israelites that He had rescued them from Egypt. This “Feast of Tishri” (or “Feast of Succoth”) is thus a symbol of freedom. When King Solomon completed his Temple more than four centuries later, it was dedicated during the Feast of Tishri, and this association led to its adoption by Scottish Rite Masonry to symbolize our dedication to brotherly love and human accord in a peaceful world.

THE ALMONER’S FUND

At each meeting of the Scottish Rite Bodies, the basket of fraternal assistance is available so that Brethren may have an opportunity to participate in replenishing the Almoner’s Fund. This fund, which is disbursed under the direction of the Almoner, may be used for any worthy cause – clothing for a widow, food for the hungry, shoes for unfortunate children, medical care for the aged. This fund is maintained by voluntary contributions and has made many a heart grateful in time of need. Every worthy cause is considered.

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CUMBERLAND SCOTTISH RITE CHILDHOOD SPEECH AND LANGUAGE DISORDERS CLINIC

The Cumberland Scottish Rite Childhood Speech and Language Disorders Clinic was established to be the principal philanthropy of the Cumberland Scottish Rite. The speech clinic is managed by the Children's League. The Cumberland Scottish Rite constructed a speech laboratory at the Allegany County Health Department building.

Since the Clinic opened in 1997, the Cumberland Scottish Rite Foundation has contributed more than \$400,000 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 our community. Annual Scottish Rite fundraising activities in support of the clinic include Buck-A-Cup, the Thing-A-Ma-Jig Variety Show, Debbie Friend Memorial Golf Classic, Kid Walk/Kid Talk Walkathon, and the Knights of St. Andrew's Robert Burns Night.

The Clinic employs speech/language pathologists and therapists. Services are currently provided at the Children's League facility located in the Willowbrook Office Complex as well as Oakland, Keyser, and Petersburg. All services are free of charge to clients, regardless of income. Children aged birth to 21 in the tri-state area are eligible for services. The Board of Directors of the Children's League includes one ex-officio voting member appointed by the Cumberland Scottish Rite.

CUMBERLAND SCOTTISH RITE FOUNDATION, INC.

THE CUMBERLAND SCOTTISH RITE FOUNDATION, INC. was incorporated in September 1983 to make donations for charitable, religious, literary, educational, and scientific purposes. Through the Foundation, the Cumberland Scottish Rite carries out local philanthropic initiatives on behalf of our members.

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THE SCOTTISH RITE CREED

Human progress is our cause, liberty of thought our supreme wish, freedom of conscience our mission, and the guarantee of equal rights to all people everywhere our ultimate goal. —Scottish Rite Creed



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Pride of patriotism, love of flag and country, respect for law and order, loyalty to the principles of sovereignty of the people and of citizen control, civil and religious liberty, and free enterprise, as set forth in our Constitution and Bill of Rights.

An enlightened citizenry through the American public schools and for alien adults the inculcation of American principles.

The use of English as the principal language of instruction in the grammar grades of our public schools.

The complete separation of church and state, and opposition to any direct or indirect diversions of public funds to church-related schools or institutions.

THE MASONIC CREED

I, as a Free Mason, believe in the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man. I will do unto others as I would have them do unto me. I pledge my loyalty to the Government of the United States of America, a Government of the people, by the people, and for the people, and will not countenance disloyalty on the part of others.

Freemasonry is founded upon these principles and I will use my utmost effort to preserve them for posterity.

So Mote It Be