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Valley of Orlando Officers for 2010



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Venerable Master - Steven P. Boring, 32° KCCH

Double Eagle Awards & 14th Degree Ring Ceremony, Friday, February 26th.

"THE ROAD TO VICTORY" A WWII Military Display Event.

Saturday March 27th, 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM (Party at 8:00 PM) & Sunday, 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

From the desk of the Personal Representative

Let Adversity Change our Outlook on Masonry and Scottish Rite!

.We've all heard the saying, "Bad things happen to good people". I know, it's not fair, but it's true. We've all seen it happen to ourselves or to others, to friends, neighbors and perfect strangers. If life is a journey, then we all at some point we must pass through the valley of the shadow of death. It's not a choice, it's a fate!

I'd like to share with you ten principles I recently found labeled "The Laws of Adversity". In Many ways I feel Masonry and Scottish Rite are mirrored in these laws and properly identified, we can make them a positive force in our organization.

I hope that adversity doesn't strike you this week, but if it does I hope that someday you'll be able to look back and say that it was the best thing that every could have happened.

Law #1: Adversity is not optional; bad things do happen to good people. "The ability to forgive and the ability to love are the weapons God has given us to live fully, bravely, and meaningfully in this less-than-perfect world."

Law #2: You might not be able to choose whether or not you pass through the valley of the shadow of death, but you do and can choose whether or not to take up permanent residence down there in the darkness.

Law #3: We learn and grow more from our setbacks than we do from our successes. Adversity prepares you for bigger challenges and accomplishments in the future.

Law #4: Surviving adversity is a great way to build self-confidence, and to give you a more positive perspective on future adversity (if we survived that we can survive anything!).

Law #5: Adversity helps prevent hubris, arrogance, and complacency.

Law #6: When things aren't working, it forces you to look at more creative solutions. There is opportunity hidden in every single adversity if you have the strength and courage to search for it and to pursue it when you've found it.

Law #7: What you've fought to gain you'll fight to keep and vice versa – easy come, easy go – but what you had to fight to gain you will fight doubly hard to retain.

Law #8: Without the valleys, you won't appreciate the mountains.

Law #9: Adversity keeps teaching – it provides great stories for the grandchildren! Your setbacks can, if you're committed to learning from them and teaching about them, be the source of great learning for others.

Law #10: Adversity is a quiet teacher; you have to probe carefully for its lessons.

Let's sit back a few months and think about how these 10 laws can shape Scottish Rite and offer us ideas to improve ourselves and the betterment of our organization. I look forward to hearing your thoughts!

Fraternally,

Ill. Zeb E Blanton, Jr., 33°

Personal Representative of the S.G.I.G.
Valley of Orlando

Calendar of Events - What's Happening Around Here?

Jan 1st - Office Closed New Years Day.

Jan 22rd - Stated Meeting, Officers wear white jackets.
6:30 PM

Feb 26th - Monthly Dinner & Double Eagle Awards, Ring Ceremony for Knights of St. Andrew.
6:30 PM

Mar 26th - Monthly Dinner & Ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal. 6:30 PM

Mar 27th/28th - Military Vehicle Show and Battle Reenactment. 10:00 AM

Apr 17th/18th - Spring Reunion

Apr 23rd - Monthly Dinner and Radio Show, 6:30 PM

Be diligent to BRING A MASTER MASON TO SCOTTISH RITE.

It is time to start planning for our Spring Reunion. One way to get in the spirit of seeking new members is to attend our Orlando Scottish Rite Masonic Center monthly meetings as well as one of our Scottish Rite Clubs and your Lodge.

THE FELLOWSHIP IS OUTSTANDING. Be diligent to BRING A MASTER MASON TO SCOTTISH RITE. It's easy to download a

petition from our web site, SRORLANDO.ORG. Remember that all Scottish Rite members are members of the Membership Committee. Personal contact is one of our best ways to recruit new members.

Ill. Robert W. Moyer, 33° General Chairman,
Membership Committee

Scottish Rite Foundation of Florida, USA, Inc.

ENTERTAINMENT AVAILABLE: Are you having an event in your lodge or club and would like to schedule the Scottish Rite Players to perform the (Rose Upon the Altar) play. We will do this play in order to be used as a fund raiser, with a portion of, or all of the proceeds going to the Scottish Rite Foundation of Florida Inc., whatever your desires would be. If interested please contact the following:

Rose Upon the Altar: Ill. Chuck Hayes, 33°: 321-267-8875 and Ill. Ron Trinkle, 33° 321-288-2703.

As your trustee to the Scottish Rite Foundation of Florida, I would like to thank all of you this past year for your many generous

donations, which was culminated at the recent Coronation in Tampa. In November from the KCCH Investiture, the 33rd Coronation and the Golf tournament, we received over \$60 thousand dollars!!!!!!!

Thanks to all of you who helped so generously with your time and contributions this past year! Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Fraternally,
Ill. Ron Trinkle, 33°
Orlando Scottish Rite Trustee

Here is my charitable donation to the **SCOTTISH RITE FOUNDATION OF FLORIDA, INC.**

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This is another great avenue made available to the members. You can contact the office by phone at 407-657-4550, e-mail at osrb@juno.com or mail the form to P.O. Box 5736, Winter Park, FL. 32793-5736.

KCCH Court of Honor

My Brothers,

I am humbled to be allowed to serve as Commander for 2010. This is an honor that I will cherish. The Lt. Commander is Ralph Valido, Secretary is Ellis Hormats and the Chaplain is Jim Nash. I look forward to working with all of you. We have many opportunities this year to promote Scottish Rite Masonry, and I hope that everyone will stand up and take the challenge. Our main push this year, as always, will be membership. If we don't eat, we die. If we don't get new members, we die! I'm not ready for that. Are You?

I would like to welcome the new members of the KCCH Club. Their talents are extraordinary.

Our first meeting will be Jan 22, 2010 at 5:30 P.M. Please plan to attend.

Fraternally,

Randy Ziegler, 32° KCCH, Commander KCCH Court of Honor.



2010 KCCH Club Officers
Commander - Randy L. Ziegler, 32° , KCCH

“THE ROAD TO VICTORY” A WWII Military Display Event

My Brothers,

We have another opportunity to support our Valley while enjoying a fun filled weekend with history and family. Our second annual “Road to Victory” event is scheduled for March 27th and 28th 2010. We have joined with several groups throughout Central Florida, as we did last year to provide a weekend filled with patriotism, historical significance and brotherly fellowship with other members of the human family.

Together with the Orlando Scottish Rite Masonic Center and the Central Florida World War II Museum, we will be providing a seldom seen event which will play host to past and current military vehicles from some of the conflicts of our American history. This open event for all, will present several World War II battle reenactments for the guests as well as several living history encampments, American and German, to provide a real time feel of what our soldiers went through during the time of War. Weapons fire demonstrations and interaction with the re-enactors will provide the backdrop for a fun filled weekend.

Local emergency vehicles will be available for display including fire, police, and S.W.A.T.. And rounding out our activities, our Child Identification program will round out public safety booths. Organizations that are scheduled to participating are the Veterans of Foreign Wars, The American Legion, The Vietnam War Museum, Military recruiters, Boy and Girl Scouts.

We will be hosting a USO themed gathering on the evening of Saturday March 27th, 2010. It is a great opportunity to come together and meet other like-minded individuals that share in similar concerns. It is the Scottish Rite of Orlando's way in thanking those who participated during this event and to thank our members. Our USO dance/gathering is free to all. As with last year, we will have a kissing booth available for those who wish to donate to the Valley of Orlando. Food will be available for our guest and members.

Our camps open on March 27th at 10:00 am till 5:00 pm with party to follow at 8:00pm. Sunday the 28th, 10:00 am till 1:00pm. Admission is free with a \$5.00 parking fee for non-participants of this event.

Any additional questions can be directed to Brother Aldis Grauds either by telephone 321-239-2467 cell, or by email to grauds@hotmail.com

Fraternally yours in service,

Aldis E. Grauds 32° KCCH

Public Relations Chairman, Orlando Scottish Rite and Zone 5 Public Relations Committeeman

Ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal

The Orlando Scottish Rite Bodies will host the annual Ceremony of Remembrance on Friday, March 26th in the Scottish Rite Auditorium. The Ceremony of Remembrance combines the traditional Scottish Rite ceremonies of the Extinguishing and Relighting of the Lights. This ceremony is open to ALL Masons and their families, as well as non-Masons. The Ceremony signifies the “Extinguishing of the Seven Symbolic Lights,” and commemorates the freedom from bondage of the people enslaved by the evils of persecution, hatred, intolerance, tyranny and despotism. The Ceremony of “Relighting the Lights” symbolizes the restoration of the Light of God's Love, the hope of immortality and the Triumph of Truth and Justice over the evils of malice, intolerance and ignorance. Without the benefits of restored Light, mankind would group in despair. The Ceremony Remembrance and Renewal serves as a time to remember our departed brethren.

**Orlando Scottish Rite's Spring Reunion is scheduled for
April 17 & 18. Get your petitions in now.**

Knights of Saint Andrews

Dear Brothers,

As you no a new and exciting year is upon us and I would like to thank my brothers for electing me as there Venerable Master. I look forward to representing the Knights of Saint Andrew were ever and when ever possible. Competent leadership is only achieved with commitment and obligation of membership. I feel we have those components and the Knights of Saint Andrew will grow through our positive actions. I would also like to thank my brother elected officers and the officers who have stepped forward to serve. To our White Hat advisor, Illustrious George Van Pelt and our Red Hat advisor, R. W. Steven Boring. We thank you and look forward to your mentorship and experience through the year.

Our first meeting will be on January 22 at 5:45 P.M. During this meeting we would like to compile a list of those who have not been knighted discuss up and coming events of the year. On February 26 our Knighting and Ring ceremony will take place. June 12 is the date set for our annual Flag Retirement Program. This program is one of honor and dignity that always needs to be

perpetuated by the members of our valley.

As the Masters before me, I look for guidance and help of all to make this a successful year. We hope to establish an open line of communication to all Saint Andrew members via e-mail and phone calls so as to keep our attendance increasingly strong. With everything in store this year we will seek new friendships, to assist our White and Red hats when called upon to sustain a unified valley. Through all we endeavor there will be further light in masonry. Be strong be as one.

Fraternally yours,

Dominick Tesoriere, 32°
Knights of Saint Andrew
Venerable Master 2009



2010 Knights of Saint Andrews Officers
Venerable Master - Dominick Tesoriere, 32°

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Scottish Rite Clubs – Valley of Orlando

Central Brevard Scottish Rite Club meets 3rd Thursday each month at Brevard Lodge #113 at 7:00 p.m. Covered dish dinner.

Deltona Scottish Rite Club meets 3rd Monday each month at Landmark Lodge #383 at 7:00 p.m. Covered dish dinner.

Halifax Scottish Rite Club meets 1st Monday each month at Woody's B-B-Q located at the corner of Nova Rd. and LPGA Blvd. at 6:00 PM.

Lake Scottish Rite Club meets 1st Wednesday each month at Tavares Lodge #234 at 7:00 PM. Reservations required. Contact the Ill. Hank Link, 33°, phone: 352-383-3078.

New Smyrna Beach Scottish Rite Club meets the 1st Tuesday of each month at the New Smyrna Beach Shrine Club 7:00 P.M. for covered dish dinner.

Osceola Scottish Rite Club meets 2nd Friday each month at St. Cloud Lodge #221 at 7:30 p.m. Spaghetti Dinner.

Sanford Scottish Rite Club meets 2nd Wednesday each month at I-Hop Orlando Ave (US 17-92) south of the 417 at 6:00 p.m. Dinner meeting .

South Brevard Scottish Rite Club meets 4th Thursday each month at Melbourne Lodge #143 at 6:30 p.m. Covered dish dinner.

Titusville Scottish Rite Club meets 2nd Tuesday each month at Indian River Lodge #90 at 6:30 p.m. Covered dish dinner.