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Calendar / Red Room

05 Sept. Heads of the Bodies / Stated Meeting
07 Sept. 10°, 11°
14 Sept. 12°, 13°
21 Sept. 14°
23 Sept. Feast of Tishri – Open event
28 Sept. 15°, 16° / KSA Meeting

03 Oct. Heads of the Bodies / Stated Meeting
05 Oct. 17°, 18°
07 Oct. RiteCare Gala
12 Oct. 19°, 20°
19 Oct. 21°, 22°
26 Oct. 23°, 24° / KSA Meeting

02 Nov. 25°, 26°
07 Nov. Heads of the Bodies / Stated Meeting
09 Nov. Council Feast – Open Event
16 Nov. 27° / KSA Meeting
23 Nov. Dark / Thanksgiving
30 Nov. 28°, 29°

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Minneapolis Valley Scottish Rite

Scottish Rite Lighting Committee

“Providing further light in Masonry since the invention of candles.” Okay, that may be going a bit too far. But we can say the lighting committee has been around a long time working with costuming, makeup, properties, directors, and actors of the Minneapolis Valley from the beginning and later with the sound crew.

The lighting committee has the fun of lighting the action of the degrees, creating a mood for scenes, spotlighting orators and key players, and providing special effects such as talking skeletons and “dead guys” (sages). To accomplish these feats of daring, we run a programmable lighting control board, man spotlights, play slight-of-hand with slides in the stereopticon, and provide the “gong” work in the 31°.

A newer lighting board allows programming of lighting cues for most of the degrees even though we manually control the first eight degrees as a refresher course at the beginning of each degree cycle. We follow the lighting cues on cue cards and scripts.

We continue to add scripts as changes are made by directors. We will be updating our programming and cue cards over the next year to tighten up the timing and lighting effects for the action. A mixture of equipment from the 1930's to the new control board keeps us on our toes as we look to continually improve matching the lighting effects with the action on the floor.

The lighting committee is looking for new members to join us to continue the excellence in this important area of production. If you have technical or programming experience, that would be a plus but is certainly not needed to learn and enjoy lighting the degree work. How many of you have watched the degree work from the balcony? We think they're the best seats in the house! Many times we are able to eat together at the earlier workers dinner then spend time visiting with a lot of good discussions and laughter.

We welcome you to join a happy committee in the Happy Valley!

In Light and Brotherhood,

Terry Christiansen

Lighting Committee Chairman

From the Desk of the Editor

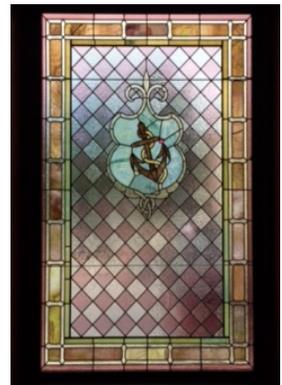
If you have anything to say about your Rite, the upcoming degrees or any events that you feel the brothers should know about please let me know. This is your Newsletter so speak up. Any event that would be of interest please submit it to me at dshaffer@USA.com

David C. Shaffer, 32° K.: C.: C.: H.:
Editor of the Sun



There have been several inquiries in regard to the stained glass window depicting a fouled anchor that is installed in the upper lounge wall facing Franklin Avenue. This new beautiful window is the result of restoring two stained glass windows that had been removed from the original 1894 church now known as the "Red Room".

In the early 1970's the Red Room was refurbished and restored. At that time the original windows were removed, the wall was closed off with brick and the frame and stained glass were salvaged and stored thanks to the foresight of Brother William Jones, 32° KCCH – who is something just short of a "hoarder" (of good stuff). Many of the windows' panes were broken, but the expert artisans at the Gaytee-Palmer Glass restoration company were able to create one large window thereby preserving a piece of the building's history –and Our History as stewards of this fine old building.



The new window means that our members and visitors to our Scottish Rite Masonic Center and the public can enjoy it from the outside as they walk by on Franklin Avenue. A plaque will be mounted next to the window that will define the history of the "fouled anchor".



Minneapolis Valley Scottish Rite

Greetings from the Chapter of Rose Croix

The spiritual quarter of the Scottish Rite is the Chapter of Rose Croix. We will be here to lift the spirits of our members through the uncertain waters. This past year we have seen some successes in the community that have been unprecedented in over a hundred years for Our Temple. We are looking to strengthen those bonds every day for the next hundred years. We are reviving some old traditions including the Mystic Banquet to accompany the next Remembrance and Renewal next spring.

My overall philosophy as Wise Master is to advance Scottish Rite Masonry in new ways, as much as I can inspire to do so. These proposed advances in SR Masonry will not be purely technological; in fact most of the new approaches include a new commitment to the tenets of Scottish Rite Masonry. For Example; education with moderated discussions, supporting our RiteCare (especially the upcoming Fall Gala), and joining in the many events we are executing with the greatest of care. For the 21st Century aspect, we look to have some great conversations about social media, Fraternal phone applications (Apps), websites and even podcasts along with many other topics.

We are looking to the future, and also celebrating the past more than ever. Our Senior Warden in the Rose Croix, Terrance Schaffer 32°, is hosting, as the sitting Master of Anoka Lodge #30 A.F. & A.M., a celebration for the Tercentennial of the formation of the Grand Lodge of England on June 24th. Be sure to contact your home Lodge and join in the fun at Anoka. You are always welcome at your Scottish Rite.

Nick Settich, 32° K.: C.: C.: H.: Elect



Ritual Corner Greetings Brethren

Are you ready to begin? The Fall cycle of degrees starts on Thursday, August 24th with the degrees of the Lodge of Perfection. These ineffable degrees lead us on a journey that culminates with the discovery of the lost word. During this journey, we learn many lessons that apply to our everyday lives. Let us examine the lessons of the 11°, Elu of the Twelve or Prince Ameth.

The 11° has as symbols a flaming heart and a two-edged sword. It teaches us to be earnest, true, and reliable, and to be the champion of the people. This degree also teaches us that indispensable to true liberty is a free court and justice system where all can be treated and judged equally by a jury of peers. As Prince Ameth, or the Prince of Truth, we must be true to all men. Albert Pike writes, "Truth, a Mason is early told, is a Divine attribute and the foundation of every virtue; and frankness, reliability, sincerity, straight-forwardness, plain-dealing, are but different modes in which Truth develops itself". (Morals and Dogma, pg. 184)

Come and join us to watch, listen, and learn the lessons of the Elu degrees, and all the degrees during the Fall class. The lessons of the degrees will help us all in our journey toward Masonic Light. See you at the Rite!

Fraternally,
Lee E. Kielblock, 32°, K.: C.: C.: H.:
Ritual Director,



Note

Brothers of The Minneapolis Scottish Rite. The Editor of the Sun now for several years could use some help. He is having trouble getting thing to place in the Sun and doing the job of editing. It would be nice if someone would help Him.

Anonymous





BBQ Night at The Rite

A tremendous crowd of over 180 turned out for the August Membership Event at the Minneapolis Scottish Rite. Eighty-three Scottish Rite Brothers were on hand to welcome over 90 Blue Lodge Brothers and men interested in learning more about Masonry, many accompanied by wives and children.

The evening began with a Ribs & Chicken BBQ prepared by SGIG Jerry Oliver and his team. Proof that the food was great was demonstrated by people coming back for seconds and thirds until the food was gone.

Dinner was followed by tours of the building conducted by members of the Knights of St. Andrew. This tour of our incredible home, which is on the National Register, was to learn more about our Craft from representatives of the Grand Lodge, RiteCare, Minnesota Masonic Charities and many other aspects of Masonry that show the depths of our commitment to our Brothers and the Community at large.

It should be noted that a large number of petitions have been received not only by the Valley, but also by the Grand Lodge.

A good time was had by all.

Author - Unknown

Feast of Tishri

The Feast of Tishri (or Feast of Succoth) is thus a symbol of Freedom. The Feast of Tishri was utilized in dedicating the newly completed King Solomon's Temple, 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. Association of the Feast of Tishri with the dedication of the Temple of Solomon led to its third name – "The Feast of the Tabernacle". The Feast of Tishri thus epitomized the character, principles and purposes of Scottish Rite Masonry, all being consistent with the dictates of the God who spake it into existence.

This festival was instituted by Moses to commemorate the years that the Israelites wandered in the desert after their Exodus departure from Egypt. It is celebrated still today by living outdoors in booths or tents through the festive period. It is thus a festival of cultural and historical meaning. This celebration is sometime in September –October.

We at the Scottish Rite celebrate this event the Saturday following the 14^o of the Lodge of Perfection or "Perfect Elu". During this celebration, the new members are presented with their 14^o ring.

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