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Message from the Master of Kadosh



A word to our new Candidates,

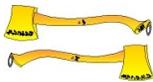
Summer had come and gone, and so has our annual Fall Reunion where we once again got to see old faces we missed and got to meet the future of our great Fraternity. I know that our degrees teams have been putting in time throughout the year preparing to put on their degrees in fine fashion for our candidates. This reunion marked my sixth year as part of the Scottish Rite and in reflecting back on the past years, I must say to our candidates that their initiation into the Scottish Rite only marks the beginning in which multiple doors will be opened to them.

Such opportunities as participating in degrees, leading degrees, taking on new offices, and taking on the challenge of the Master Craftsman program will be made available to you. Having such opportunities is exciting, but remember you now have all the time in the world to experience everything the Scottish Rite has to offer. Do not burn yourself out by trying to participate in everything at once. Take time to see where your interests lie and once you find your niche take that step to participate in it. For example, if you become interested in either participating in a degree or even leading a degree as a Degree Master, I encourage you to go for it. Remember, the Scottish Rite is here to further your knowledge in our grand fraternity and there is no better way than expanding your knowledge than by jumping in and participating. Who knows, you may identify something which other Brothers have never seen, heard or known of in the past. The Scottish Rite is all about learning and teaching from day one.

With all this being said, I look forward to seeing you all at our upcoming Scottish Rite Spring Reunion. I also look forward to how your active participation will forever impact our beloved fraternity.

Fraternally,

Ismael B. Segovia, 32° KCCH
El Paso Scottish Rite
Consistory - Master of Kadosh





**257th Reunion honoring
Ill. William W. Littlefield, 33°
November 15, 1920 - September 13, 2015**



Our newest Scottish Rite Masons:



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Schenectady, NY



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Honorable
Tom L. Higgins, 32° KCCH
Personal Representative of the S.G.I.G.
And
Chairman of the Executive Committee
In the Valley of el Paso

ALLEGIANCE

The Bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry sitting in the Valley of El Paso, Orient of Texas, acknowledge and yield allegiance to the Supreme Council (Mother Council of the World) of the Inspectors General, Knights Commander of the House 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 South Carolina, now sitting at Washington, D.C. of which

ILL. RONALD A. SEALE, 33°
is Sovereign Grand Commander

ILL. M. Douglas Adkins, 33°
is Sovereign Grand Inspector General in Texas,
and

Hon. Tom L. Higgins, 32° KCCH
is Personal Representative of SGIG
And Chairman of the Executive Committee

Two Sphinxes have guarded the El Paso Scottish Rite for 50 years!



Dedicated on **October 20, 1966** - just prior to the 130th Reunion Banquet, a simple but very impressive ceremony of dedication of the new sphinxes was held in front of the Temple (some 400 people were in attendance).

The sphinxes were cast by the Federal-Seaboard Terra Cotta Co. Of Perth Amboy, N.J. It took the firm eight months to make them. Photos were obtained of the Washington sphinxes and working drawings and artist's drawings were made from them. After they were approved by the El Paso Scottish Rite Benevolent Association, a mold was made. Terra cotta was placed in the mold and allowed to dry for three weeks. After the mold was removed, the sphinxes were placed in a kiln which was heated slowly then cooled slowly, a process which took several more weeks.



The sphinxes earned a face lift in the mid-1990s. Joe Oswald, a local sculptor and stone carving repairer removed almost 30 years of dirt, grime and graffiti from the terra cotta statues. He filled in the cracks and even replaced a nose that fell victim to a rock. After an acid bath a protective

coating was painted on to protect against weathering, thus restoring these statues to their original beauty.

The laying of the Corner stone October 21, 1921



With more than 1,000 people gathered the Scottish Rite Cathedral was formally dedicated by the Grand Lodge of Texas, Andrew L. Randell, Grand Master officiating.

Drawn up in front of the structure was the patrol of El Maida Shrine, to the right were the Knights Templar. The Masonic Band occupied chairs directly in front of the building. Officers of the Texas Grand Lodge formed a semi-circle on the platform around the corner stone.



Mr. Randell's tribute to Masonry was eloquent. He offered a prayer to the health of the workmen employed on the structure as he sprinkled corn upon the stone. Next come the wine, which, as he explained, symbolized plenty in Masonry. He asked that the people of this state be showered with plenty and that the blessings of the Bounteous Giver of all

things attend their philanthropic undertakings.

He next poured oil from a silver vessel upon the stone, saying, "May the Supreme Ruler of the World preserve the people in peace, and vouchsafe to them the enjoyment of every blessing."

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Ill. Frank C. Rockabrand, 33°
02/13/1941 - 08/18/2016
 El Paso Scottish Rite General Secretary
 1995 - 2007

50 Year Awards



Bill B. Auburg, 32° KCCH,
 receiving his 50 Year Award
 Bill joined the El Paso Scottish Rite during the 130th Reunion, honoring John Dalrymple, 33°



Our most sincere sympathies and condolences to all the families of our members who have passed on to a better life

Joseph N. Atkins, 32° KCCH	02/25/1928 - 07/21/2016
Vanual L. Culp, 32°	11/04/1929 - 07/09/2016
Charles E. Currey, 32°	02/08/1929 - 05/08/2016
Robert E. Des Jardins, 32°	02/20/1945 - 05/12/2016
Howard W. Hammonds, 32°	09/12/1921 - 05/12/2016
Charles S. Jones, 32°	07/23/1932 - 02/03/2016
William R. Knight, 33°	10/30/1917 - 06/20/2016
James A. Litchford, 32°	11/22/1924 - 12/10/2015
Felix M. McDaniel, 32°	03/07/1929 - 05/17/2016
Clifford W. McDonald, 32°	01/23/1933 - 10/20/2016
Ira S. Pennell, 32°	03/05/1941 - 08/06/2016
Frank C. Rockabrand, 33°	02/13/1941 - 08/18/2016
Eugene E. Smith, 32°	12/04/1927 - 03/25/2015
Alvin L. Soukup, 32°	12/22/1927 - 03/19/2016
Bobby Joe, Srader, 32°	09/02/1942 - 08/16/2016
Kenneth H. Stamps, 32°	07/05/1923 - 07/04/2016
Marion B. Van Cleave, 32°	11/26/1927 - 07/10/2016
John A. Walton, 32°	06/29/1929 - 10/24/2016
Clancy D. Worthan, 32°	07/24/1944 - 03/18/2016

Unable to attend, but also receiving their 50 Year Award this year:

- Damon Barnes, 32°
- Harry B. Berman, 32°
- Frederick J. Eley, 32°
- Donald F. Ferris, 32°
- Richard T. Flood, 32°
- David L. Foster, 14°
- Theodore M. Kerr, 32°
- Leonard F. Mitchell, III, 32° KCCH
- Lloyd D. Muir, 33°
- Harold F. Rawlins, 32°

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of the addressed Member:**

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or is incapacitated in any way.

13 February 2017
09 January 2017
12 December 2016
14 November 2016

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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