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Brethren of our Valley,  
as 2015 draws to a close, I want to look back at some events and changes we experienced at our Scottish Rite. We just concluded our 255th Reunion where we initiated 7 excellent candidates. Thanks to a lot of hard work from our Members and our office staff, things went well. Our special thanks to all of the Degree teams from out of town for their dedication, leadership and support. Our candidates experienced a great introduction into Scottish Rite Masonry. We welcome those new members and encourage them to regularly attend our stated meetings and events.

As our Temple ages, ongoing maintenance is always a priority. A significant roof leak was identified and repaired. The men's restroom was remodeled and leaky pipe issues in the dining room were addressed. Planter bowls out front were replaced and painted, which significantly improved the appearance of the front entry. A spectator viewing area was constructed on the roof, creating a nice area for our Brothers, families and friends to enjoy the Chihuahua's baseball games.

We hosted the Komen Race for the Cure with the survivor's VIP area set up in our back parking lot. In addition, we supported the ballpark in several of their events. We continue to enjoy a good relationship with them and they have proven to be good neighbors.

Our Knights of Saint Andrew have contributed greatly to our accomplishments. They have helped host our events, continue to assist our Rainbow Girls and have traveled out of state to confer the 29th Degree in New Mexico.

Our Arm-In-Arm program was very active this year, hosting several events at the Temple as well as other venues around town and of course, the Deming duck race.

We hosted an event for the International Sergeant Majors academy from Fort Bliss. In addition, we loaned tables and chairs to them for some of their events on post.

We participated in the Celebrate the Craft webcast by producing a very good video describing our Temple, it's history, and summarizing our community involvement. It received national play during the event.

Your General Secretary, along with myself, continue to discharge our fiduciary duties to the Valley, which we take very seriously. From an operational standpoint, we should come in under budget again this year. Our investments are reviewed regularly and adjustments made accordingly and approved by our Finance committee. In addition, our Valley is in compliance with all statutes and ritual required by the SGIG and the Supreme Council.

It has been a busy and productive year for us, and we are positioned to face the challenges for the upcoming year.

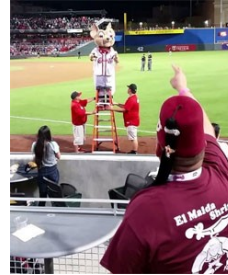
Sincerely and Fraternally,

Tom L. Higgins, 32° KCCH  
Personal Representative of the S.G.I.G



# Arm in Arm

## Masonic Night at the Ballpark



### Gifts and Bequests to the El Paso Scottish Rite Historical Library and Museum Foundation

The El Paso Scottish Rite Historical Library and Museum Foundation depends upon gifts from you and others like you to make it possible for the Foundation's mission to be accomplished. Your gift or bequest will allow our Foundation to maintain our historical Temple and provide the resources necessary for us to continue the Scottish Rite mission for generations to come. In making a gift to the Foundation, you will receive a receipt letter for tax purposes as the Foundation is approved as a IRS Code 501(c)(3) public charitable organization. Contributions to the Foundation are deductible to the full extent of the law for federal income tax purposes as well as for federal estate tax and state inheritance and gift tax purposes. Checks should be made payable to: "El Paso Scottish Rite Historical Library and Museum Foundation" or you may donate through our website: [www.elpasoscottishrite.org](http://www.elpasoscottishrite.org) Any and all gifts will be greatly appreciated!



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



George O. Asbury, 32°	08/12/2015
John R. Bryant, 32°	12/03/2011
Ernest R. Chapman, 32°	08/23/2015
Forest G. Dawson, 32°	09/29/2015
George L. Dennard, 32°	07/06/2015
William B. Duff, 32°	08/16/2012
William L. Epps, 32°	07/28/2015
John C. Haggin, 32°	10/16/2015
John A. Holland, 32°	10/03/2015
Aubrey R. Honea, 32°	09/02/2014
Sean T. Kelly, 32°	10/04/2014

William W. Littlefield, 33°	09/13/2015
Forrest "Frosty" G. Martin, 32°	09/15/2015
Edwin R. Mickle, 32°	06/13/2015
James R. Moore, 32°	06/13/2015
Thomas D. Murphy III, 32°	06/03/2015
Herbert L. Norman, 32°	02/02/2012
John H. Rankin, 32°	04/17/2015
Lawrence G. Rogers, 32°	10/22/2015
Samuel H. Stephens, 32°	03/13/2015
Michael N. Weddle, 32° KCCH	09/29/2015
John D. Zahn, 32°	02/15/2015

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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  
Valley of El Paso



# 255th El Paso Fall Reunion honoring Ill. Norman L. Miller, 33° and 50 Year Awards Ceremony



Stephen F. Cross, 33°  
and Tom L. Higgins, 32° KCCH  
during Social Hour



### Our newest Scottish Rite members:

Nathan A. Rivera, Rodrigo U. Ulloa, Mark D. Crockett,  
Dale R. Churchill III, Arlandojeff Brudent, James A. Beale,  
Fareed I. Khlayel



Brother Dan M. Horn, 32°  
and his family where unable to join  
us for our 50 year Awards Ceremony  
and instead were honored at the Fall  
Reunion in Baton Rouge, Louisiana



Brother John R. Lehman, 32° receiving his  
50 year Award - we also want to thank  
Brother Lehman and his wife for their very  
generous donation to our Temple.



## Silent Workers

as found in the El Paso Scottish Rite newsletter from February/March 1915

All honor to the Silent Workers whose names are never blazoned on our notices, whose voices are never heard in our ritualistic services, whose actions are never witnessed on the stage, where our dramas are portrayed or our degrees exemplified. Sometimes they are behind the curtain, setting scenes, shifting furniture, arranging paraphernalia, unknown to those who, in front, are intently watching the moving show. Sometimes they are clad in garb that conceals rather than reveals their identity, carrying spear, banner or ceremonial torch, marching in processions or standing in solemn worship. Others have gifts and graces which are spent in eloquent speech or in impressive action, in stirring song or inspiring prayer. Some have the power to organize, to administer, to plan and execute great and magnificent things. And to all these praise and honor is given, official rank and dignity. And rightly so. But what would all these avail without the silent, unseen workers, who, with equal loyalty and zeal, equal devotion to our principles, and equal response to our needs, has "found his work" and does it? Few of the brethren, who witness the Scottish Rite degrees conferred with magnificent display and solemnly impressive ceremonial, know aught of the many hours of study and rehearsals which have preceded the exemplification of a degree.

Thank you!

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 of the addressed Member:**

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 Phone number if our member  
 is in the hospital or Nursing home,  
 or is incapacitated in any way.

**Stated Meetings:**

14 December 2015  
 11 January 2016  
 08 February 2016  
 14 March 2016

Remembrance and Renewal 24 March 2016  
 El Paso Spring Reunion 02 April 2016  
 Convocation in San Antonio 08 - 09 April 2016  
 Churchwagon 23 April 2016

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

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