



# Quill & Scroll

## Southern Colorado Consistory (SCC)



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**Ill Barry Nightingale, 33°**  
**Valley Personal Representative**

My Brothers,

As we near the end of this year, I pass along my thoughts to all of you.

Truly this is a time of Thanksgiving for all of us. We live in a land of great freedom, and general tolerance of each other's differences. As Scottish Rite Masons we are pledged to work to keep our nation in accordance with our obligations to support freedom in all of its forms.

We can be Thankful for each other and the support we share with our fellow Masons, and with our fellow citizens.

We can be Thankful for the opportunities to learn and grow as men as a result of our membership in the Scottish Rite.

For many of us, there are religious overtones to the end of each year, with multiple religious celebrations. BUT – for each and every one of us, this time of year should bring us to a time of reflection – thinking about the past, and deciding how we can improve ourselves and our community in the coming year.

As we renew ourselves and prepare for the coming New Year, you have an opportunity to assist in the leadership of our very own Consistory. We will be holding elections at our December meeting, to fill several leadership positions. Please consider making yourself a leader in the Consistory. We need new ideas and energy as much as we need experience. Even the newest Scottish Rite Masons can contribute to the leadership of the Consistory in one manner or another. Please let me know that you are willing to serve, and we can discuss how best to put your talents and energy to work for the benefit of all.

Happy Thanksgiving and best wishes for a wonderful Holiday Season.



**Blake Simmons, 32°**  
Wise Master  
Chapter Rose Croix

## **Christmas, a time for Charity**

In the Great light of Masonry , 1 Corinthians 13:13 it states “And now there remain faith, hope, and charity, these three: but the greatest of these is charity.”

### **The succeeding verses of Chapter 13 continue the focus on ‘charity’:**

And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity,  
I am nothing.

And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing.

Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up.”

*(All quotations are from the King James translation of the Bible.)*

The 18<sup>th</sup> degree focuses on Faith, Hope, and Charity as not only guiding lights to lead the way, but to teach us how to live in this world in preparation for our further life with deity.

As Scottish Rite Brothers, take time at this time of the year to consider what you can do to be charitable. Charity is not only about monetary donations, while they are important, but can be exhibited in other ways. Help a brother, neighbor, friend or even someone you do not know. Be more patient with others at this time of the year. Give of yourself, share your time, be kinder. Most importantly, just be the people we all wish to be and should be.

Brothers, recently our dear Brother Bill McKee traveled beyond this world to meet the Supreme Architect. As per his final request, the Rose Croix Memorial team consisting of Brother Jim Wiley - Wise Master, Brother Aaron Langevin – Senior Warden, and Brother Charles Lewis performed the Rose Croix Memorial service. As unusual, when I contacted them, their first response as usual was “of course, we are glad to serve.”

### **This is Charity in action, and the greatest of all the virtues.**

Have a Happy Holidays and I wish you all a Merry Christmas.



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Eaves Dropper  
Installation



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Dedication  
Apprentice



Fraternity  
Candidate  
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Hoodwink  
Geometry  
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# CALENDAR

## December 4, 2024

Meeting open

### Details

5:30 PM Punch Bowl

6:00 PM Dinner

Menu: Pollo Verde Casserole: Layers of chicken, tomatillo salsa, sour cream, corn tortillas, jack, cheddar, cilantro rice, chipotle frijoles, calabacitas. Appetizers and dessert. Coffee and tea included

Dinner cost \$20.00 (cash or check). To reserve your dinner, call the Consistory office at 719/471-7966 or email [sccdinnerreservation@gmail.com](mailto:sccdinnerreservation@gmail.com). NOTE: Reservations required before 2:00PM on Friday, November 29, 2024.

7:00 PM Stated Meeting

7:30 PM Installation of Officers

## January 1, 2025 ??

Meeting TBD

### Details

5:30 PM Punch Bowl

6:00 PM Dinner

Menu: TBD

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7:00 PM TBD

## February 5, 2025

Meeting open

### Details

5:30 PM Punch Bowl

6:00 PM Dinner

Menu: TBD

Dinner cost TBD (cash or check). To reserve your dinner, call the Consistory office at 719/471-7966 or email [sccdinnerreservation@gmail.com](mailto:sccdinnerreservation@gmail.com). NOTE: Reservations required.

7:00 PM TBD



## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS!

Scot Morris Autry

Ronald A Bowen

Daniel J Campbell, II

Daniel E Coburn

Nick G DeBono

William R Ferrier, Jr

Darrell T Fulkerson

Richard Brent Fyock

Mark Andrew Giffin

Carl G Hagans

Ricky J Haskell

Maurice Heikes

Kennard D Henry

Charles C Hillyer, III

Dean S Hopkins

Dwain P Jack

James G Johnson

William T Johnson, Jr

Michael A Kruse

Sam LeÃ³n

Christopher J Madril

Charles H Magness

John R McConnell

David H Mendenhall

James R Myrick, Jr

Charles Leo Phillips

Samuel J Pisciotta

Michael F. Reinking

James R. Rogers

Harold G Rominger

Earl H Sandman

John R Stulp

Henry H Taylor, Jr

Tam M Tran

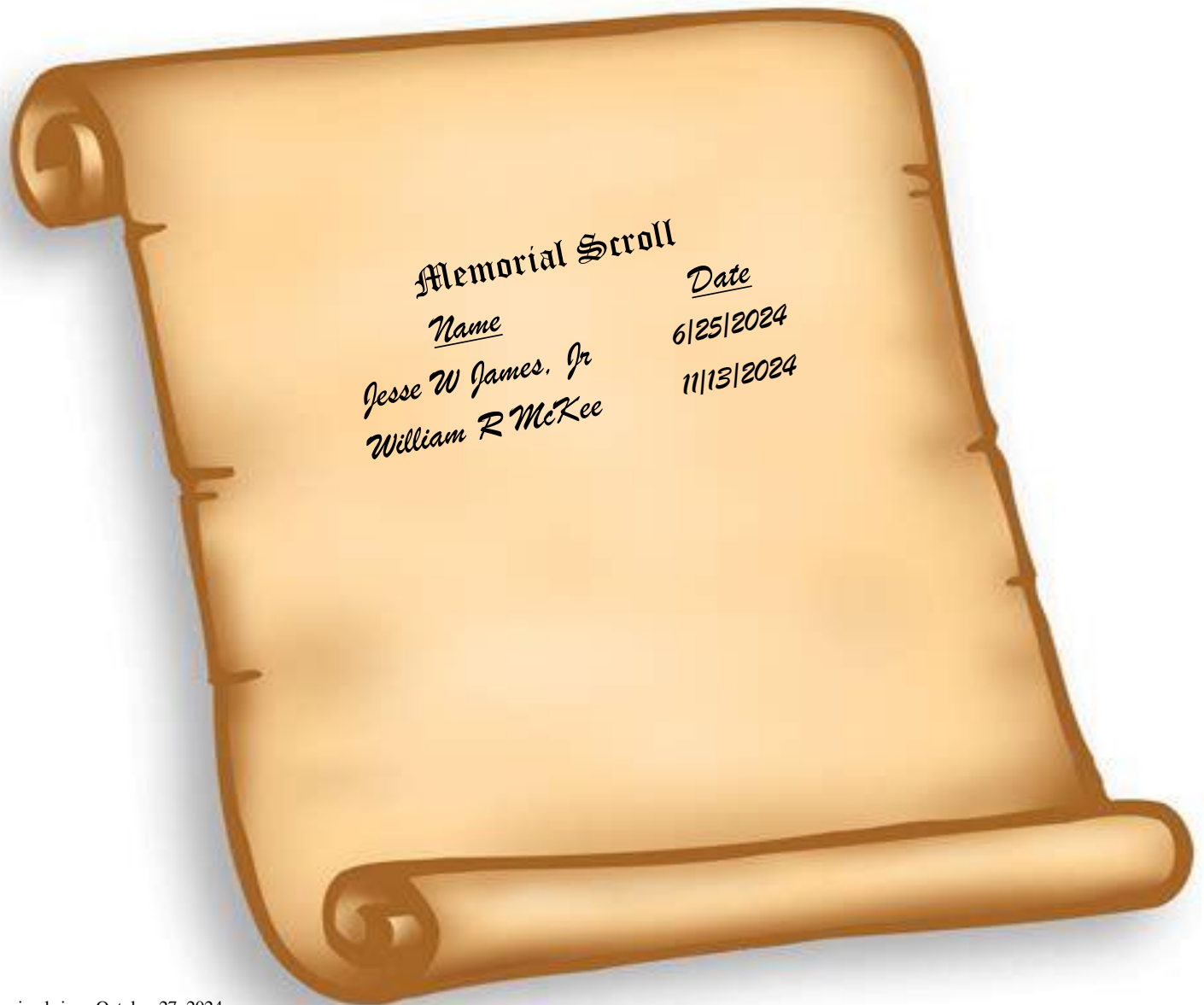
Robert G Trevorrow

Vernon R Turner

Larry W Ward

Ian Augustus Wood

James C W Wright



## Memorial Scroll

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>
Jesse W James, Jr	6/25/2024
William R McKee	11/13/2024

Notices received since October 27, 2024

### ROSE CROIX FUNERAL TEAM

All Scottish Rite Masons in good standing are entitled to have a Rose Croix Funeral service at the time of their passing. Members should advise their families of their wishes to have this beautiful service. It is a very dignified service intended to help bring comfort to the family. The current members of the Southern Colorado Consistory Rose Croix Funeral Team are: Wise Master, Jim Wiley 32°; Senior Wardens, Aaron Langevin 32° and Blake Simmons 32°; Junior Wardens, Edwin Alas 32° and Blake Simmons 32°. If you are interested in joining the Rose Croix Funeral Team and helping them, contact the office or Blake Simmons, 32° for more information.



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We *believe* in Fellowship  
We *encourage* in Personal Growth  
We *care* for our Members  
We strongly *support our charity* RiteCare  
(Speech and language therapy for children in need)

We *cherish* in our Historical Presence  
We *honor, respect and promote* Patriotism and support our Troops / Veterans

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