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

My Brothers,

As we approach the Fall Reunion, I want to let you know that we will have a larger class than expected, and I thank all of you that have worked to identify and inform qualified Masons on the value of Scottish rite membership. PLEASE come and join the discussions in the Classroom throughout the Reunion, as well as attend the exemplified degrees. Each and every time I see a degree, I learn something more than I had previously gained from the experience.

I also want to ask for the help of every Brother of our Consistory. We want to be able to reach out to every Lodge in our area, and offer them the opportunity to enrich their Lodge educational program, with presentations by our Scottish Rite brethren. The presentations are absolutely NOT a recruiting effort, and can be focused on topics that meet the goals and intent of the Master of each Lodge. But, we need your help. We want to be an addition to the Lodge capabilities, and not an intrusion on their existing Lodge education. We therefore seek invitations from Lodges to work with them to develop a plan, including topics and scheduling.

Please approach the Master of your Lodge, let him know that the Scottish Rite is ready to assist them. Let the entire Lodge know the value of our Masonic education. Then let us know that we have a Lodge interested in our support, and our Education program can do the rest.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you at the Fall Reunion!!!



Russ Rogers, 32°
Venerable Master
Lodge of Perfection

Brethren,

As we move deeper into Fall, we enter a natural season of transition; one that mirrors the changes within our Valley. With elections approaching, it's a timely moment to reflect on what it means to serve and to be involved in the Scottish Rite. Leadership in our Rite isn't about titles. It's about showing up, contributing, and helping the work move forward.

Whether you're taking on a new role, providing education at a meeting, helping with the Reunion, or supporting from the sidelines, your effort matters. The strength of our fraternity depends on Brothers willing to step forward and help carry the load. Don't wait to be asked. There's often more work than time to ask for help. Initiative is one of the most valuable forms of service and leadership.

But leadership isn't just about the present. It's also about preparing for the future. The lessons we've learned, the challenges we've faced, and the successes we've built all become part of the foundation for those who follow. When we share what we know, when we mentor and encourage, we ensure that the next generation of Brothers is set up for success; and that the fraternity is set up to thrive beyond ourselves. The real harvest of our labor isn't just in what we accomplish today, it's in how we empower others to succeed, creating lasting strength and unity within our Rite.

“What we have done for ourselves alone dies with us; what we have done for others and the world remains and is immortal.”

— Albert Pike



Blake Simmons, 32° KCCH
Wise Master
Chapter of Rose Croix

Brethren, at this time of the year, we prepare for the Holidays, and take time to be thankful for all the Blessings we have in our lives. Masonry is here to help us all be better Men, Brothers, Husbands, Fathers, Sons, and friends to all those people who are so special in our lives. What a great thing it is in our lives to learn how to navigate this life with Honor, Morality, Virtue, Respect, and Charity toward mankind. I recently visited my daughter and son-in-law and new grandson in Washington DC.

Along with the wonderful celebration we shared with the new addition to our family, my wife and I had the opportunity to visit the Scottish Rite House of the Temple. While this was certainly an inspiring experience, we both had some special time to reflect upon our lives and the part that Masonry, and especially Scottish Rite Masonry has played and continues to play in it. To say that it has changed our lives does not describe it. It has made me a better, more dedicated, and more intelligent man.

I began my path in masonry to gain enlightenment and have gained so much more. I tell you this, because it is here for all of us if we choose to embrace the lessons we learn. I wish the best for you all this Month of Thanksgiving, and that you are all Blessed with all that life has to offer.

Finally, as Masons, we all are living examples of fine men. Show the world so all can see.



Jerry Byassee, 32°
Master of Kadosh
Consistory

With the coming of the reunion let us remember what a Scottish Rite reunion is! As described in the Scottish Rite Handbook.

A Scottish Rite reunion is exactly what the term implies. It is a reuniting of the membership after a period of separation. It is a homecoming of the brethren in a continuing fellowship of the Fraternity. The days of the Reunion are rich in comradeship among those of like mind and purpose. We recognize stability and strength, and feel proud to be part of a program of such magnitude and worth. Within this fellowship, the horizons of our own lives are lifted. The Reunion is a time of renewing our interest and devotion to the programs and purposes of the Scottish Rite. Reunions are a time of sharing the significance and sacred principles of the Scottish Rite Degrees together.

Not only do we celebrate as a Fraternity, but we are also bringing in the next generation of Scottish Rite Masons. It is a passing of the torch. It is a creation of a new perception of the Fraternity. It is our future. Without the ability to hold a reunion, our Fraternity as we know it would cease to exist. As a member, you need to understand the importance of the reunion and support its mission by your attendance and involvement. Is it the most part of being a member? Yes and no. Yes, because your participation sets the tone for our new members and those who are presenting our ritual. No, because membership alone will not keep our Fraternity a thriving organization. We need to balance it with leadership development, philanthropy, fellowship and good management techniques for which you as a leader will be responsible. Remember, the purpose of a reunion is not solely for making new Masters of the Royal Secret. It is also used to re-teach the lessons of the degrees to our existing members.



Craig Fabec, 33°
Director General

Brothers,

Our Reunion is one of the most exciting times of the year for our Valley — a celebration of brotherhood, learning, and the rich traditions of our craft. Whether you are a new member or a seasoned Brother, there are many ways to take part and make the experience more meaningful.

Please look at the schedule attached to this newsletter and plan on attending some of our exemplified and communicated degrees!

We will need help at all levels during this reunion, and do not be afraid to jump in! Our brothers working in the various departments will not have an issue showing you what to do! Don't be worried if you have never helped before, even the smallest involvement can do wonders!

Our reunion will be November 6, 7, and 8 ending with a banquet for the new members. Please consider attending the banquet, your presence makes it special.

We will have a regular meeting Weds November 5th, as we prepare for the next three days, and discuss any additional assistance needed.

I look forward to seeing everyone during this great time!

Saturday, November 8th, 2025

Southern Colorado Consistory Scottish Rite Reunion

8:00AM	Communicate 27°	Classroom
8:30AM	Communicate 28°	Classroom
9:00AM	Communicate 29°	Classroom
9:30AM	BREAK	Murray Hall
9:45AM	Exemplify 30°	American/ Egyptian
10:45AM	Communicate 31°	Classroom
11:15AM	LUNCH BREAK	Murray Hall
12:30PM	Elections/Photos	
1:30PM	Exemplify 32°	American Room
2:45PM	Depart	



**In Memory of
TBD**

**November 6th – 8th
2025**

Valley of Colorado Springs – Pueblo
Orient of Colorado

1150 Panorama Drive
Colorado Springs, CO
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Thursday, November 6th, 2025

Friday, November 7th, 2025

7:30AM	Reunion Prolog/Agenda	Classroom
8:15AM	Symbolism of the Scottish Rite	Classroom
8:50AM	Exemplify 4°	Egyptian Room
9:50AM	Communicate 5°	Classroom
10:15AM	Communicate 6°	Classroom
10:45AM	Break	Murry Hall
11:00AM	Communicate 7°	Classroom
11:25AM	Communicate 8°	Classroom
12:00PM	LUNCH BREAK	Classroom
1:00PM	Communicate 9°	Classroom
1:25PM	Communicate 10°	Classroom
1:50PM	Communicate 11°	Classroom
2:15PM	BREAK	Murray Hall
2:30PM	Communicate 12°	Classroom
2:55PM	Communicate 13°	Classroom
3:30PM	Exemplify 14°	American Room
4:45PM	WRAP UP	

7:30AM	Q&A/18° Attestation	Classroom
8:00AM	Communicate 15°	Classroom
8:15AM	Communicate 16°	Classroom
8:30AM	Communicate 17°	Classroom
8:45AM	BREAK	Murray Hall
9:00AM	Exemplify 18°	American/Egyptian
10:45AM	Communicate 19°	Classroom
11:15AM	LUNCH BREAK	Murray Hall
12:15PM	Exemplify 20°	American Room
2:00PM	Grand Master visit	Classroom
2:20PM	BREAK	Murray Hall
2:30PM	Communicate 21°	Classroom
3:00PM	Communicate 22°	Classroom
3:30PM	Communicate 23°	Classroom
4:00PM	BREAK	Murray Hall
4:15PM	Communicate 24°	Classroom
4:45PM	Communicate 25°	Classroom
5:15PM	Communicate 26°	Classroom
5:45PM	WRAP UP	

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CALENDAR

November 5, 2025

Meeting closed

Details

7:00 PM Short meeting before reunion starting November 6

November 6-8

Fall Reunion

December 3, 2025

Meeting closed for elections/open for installation

Details

7:00 PM Officer election

7:30 PM Installation



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS!

Edwin Javier Alas

Paul L Bailey

David R Burrous

Leslie V Cahill, II

Norman C Churchill

Darren Wayne Culpepper

Henry B Eastland

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Stephen M Munsinger

Marvin K Narragon

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Matthew David Thomas

Raymond R Tiner

John L Weed

Laurence M Weed

James B. Wiley



Memorial Scroll

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>
Kennard D Henry	5/11/2022
Robert C Miller	4/29/2025
David K Ashley	9/30/2025

Notices received since September 26, 2025

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, Aaron Langevin 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 constantly work to *develop* meaningful Degrees and Programs
We endeavor to *create* opportunities for our Members
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

All of this requires strong and dedicated members to accomplish our goals and tasks. And, unfortunately, ever increasing financial support. Please consider SCC in your estate planning. Planned gifts, also known as legacy gifts, are the result of financial planning often involving a future estate. These gifts include bequests in wills, trusts, life insurance, personal property, and annuities. Such gifts would allow SCC to continue Scottish Rite activities. Thank you in advance for any and all support!