



Scottish Rite Masons Northeast Kansas Orient of Kansas



Double Eagle Info-Gram 1 November 2018

Group Master Craftsman Course Study Club will continue on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, same time and place. No enrollment will be required; if you wish to attend, just show up and participate. Ill. ∴ Bob Anver, 33°, will initiate the study sessions assisted by whomever else wants to instruct/monitor the sessions. Forward inquiries to Ill. ∴ Bob. P.S. Progress is being made in lessons completed.

Dinner Meeting, Wednesday, 7-Nov-18, 6:30 p.m. A special guest speaker has been requested. We believe you will enjoy his presentation.

Executive Board/Advisory Meeting, Wednesday, 21-Nov-18 7:00 p.m., Donald E. Matteson, 32°, KCCH, Commander Northeast Kansas Council of Knights Kadosh will preside in the conference area before the business meeting. Knights of Saint Andrew meeting in dining area before the business meeting. {A reminder—all heads of bodies and KSA are to attend all executive board and finance meetings.} There will be a free will donation meal for all attendees; however, you must notify the office for reservations to ensure sufficient meals will be available.

Spread the Word: There was only one reunion opportunity to become a Kansas Scottish Rite Mason in 2018 held October 26-28—Kansas Orient Fall Reunion hosted by NEKS Valley in Prairie Village, Kansas geographical area. **You would have been amazed at the activities and events planned for the Kansas Orient Fall Reunion. This was one reunion you did not want to miss!! All candidates, initiates, and current members were absolutely surprised and impressed with the program.** The attendees were very impressive and came from many Masonic organizations and locations within our Orient. What do we need our current members to do now? Sponsor as many candidates as possible, not only for our Valley but other Valleys as appropriate.

*We Made Our Orient (Northeast Kansas) Scottish Rite Valley Reunion One
Which Will Be Remembered for many years to come.*

Every member should identify at least one (or more) candidates, obtain/sign/present his petition to allow voting prior to our future scheduled reunions. This would alleviate the problem of cost and time and improve our Valley. Also, current members should/may volunteer to take a role in whichever degree you are needed or prefer; then, attend rehearsals and study your part to make it meaningful to all candidates.

Please make our newest members, Bro. Conner Gunion and Bro. Gary Benefield welcome to our valley and mentor them in any information about which they may inquire. Also, please extend your gratitude to the members who transported the degree paraphernalia to and from the hotel in Overland Park. They included Brothers Bill Leonard, Blair Pederson, Don Matteson, Marvin Hammontree, Brian Kremer, and Dennis Taylor.

VMAP 2018 (Valley Membership Achievement Program) We have received the workbook for the 2018 VMAP program. We are prepared to complete the requirements in advance as we do not think there will be many differences than those in the past. The first item of business was recruiting/selecting chairmen for the various areas has been completed; however, if you wish to volunteer for assistance, please make your desires known. Bro. Joe Johnson has already pledged to provide his excellent guidance as Chairman again next year. But he will need all of our cooperation and leadership to accomplish the goals set by Supreme Council. VMAP chairmen need to provide Bro. Johnson with current updates on their progress at least monthly. Also, request assistance as needed from other members on an ad hoc basis. The first draft is due to Ill. ∴ Hugh W. Gill III, 33°, SGIG, by 31-Dec-18. Please note: documentation of activities and events is critical.

*Let's Continue to make NEKS Scottish Rite Valley Great Again in 2018;
then, prepare to do the same in 2019.*

Sincerely & Fraternaly,

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