### Calendar

Sept 3, 10, 17, 24 Weds Masonic Lunch (H)		
Sept 4, 11, 18, 25Thurs Masonic Lunch (L)		
Sept 7WalkRite for RiteCare (L)		
Sept 12-13 Orient of NE Scottish Rite and Gran		
Lodge of Nebraska Leadership Meeting in Hastings		
Sept 13WalkRite for RiteCare (H)		
Sept 17Scottish Rite Fall Outing (O)		
Sept 19-20KSA National Gathering (St. Louis, MO)		
Sept 26Feast of Tishri (L)		
Oct 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Weds Masonic Lunch (H)		
Oct 2, 9, 16, 23, 30Thurs Masonic Lunch (L)		
Oct 10-11 Hastings Fall Reunion (H)		
Oct 17 Friends of Scottish Rite Dinner & Auction (O)		
Oct 17 & 18Lincoln Fall Reunion (L)		
Nov 5, 12, 19, 26 Weds Masonic Lunch (H)		
Nov 6, 13, 20, 27Thurs Masonic Lunch (L)		
Nov 14 & 15 Alliance Fall Reunion (A)		
Nov 20, 21, & 22Omaha Fall Reunion & Banquet (O)		
Dec 3, 10, 17, 21, 31 Weds Masonic Lunch (H)		
Dec 4, 11, 18Thurs Masonic Lunch (L)		
Dec 12 Christmas party and dinner (L)		

#### **Lodge of Perfection meetings:**

Alliance, 4th Friday of each month Sept 26, Oct 24, Nov 28, Dec 26

Hastings, 1st Tuesday of each month Sept 2, Oct 7, Nov 4, Dec 2

Lincoln, 3rd Wednesday of each month Sept 17, Oct 22, Nov 19, Dec 17

Omaha, 3rd Monday of each month Sept 15, Oct 20, Nov 17, Dec 15

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## **Membership**

I recently had a conversation with a good friend about Freemasonry, particularly the Scottish Rite. His view was that the smaller number of members joining Masonry was indicative of an internal problem, perhaps our inability to express the value of Masonry to potential members or perhaps a mentality stuck in the old ways of doing things. "We need change," he said.

And in fairness, not too long ago, I would have agreed. My Lodge was firmly in the hands of the Old Guard, who happily did things the way they had been done for decades because "that's the way they had always been done." I would be the first to say "We need changes around here."

But upon reflection, the idea of change in this context presupposes the great hand of fate sweeping away the mentality of the Old Past Masters, followed by a bunch of notyet-experienced younger members taking over and shaking things up with new ideas and jettisoning tried-and-true methods that not only had worked for years but continue to work. Make that kind of change happen, and all will quickly be right and they'll be joining in droves. Lodges will be rockin' with new members and fun activities? Right?

# CHANGE is a lt is an attractive idea, par-**PROCESS** not an EVEN

It is an attracticularly if you are one of the newer members. But I don't agree with that. Change,

ticularly in Masonry, isn't done with a broom sweeping out the old, but in slow increments. (How goes the work on the Temple? Painfully and with constant interruptions, as a line goes in the 16th Degree.)

First off, our membership issues are as much an external problem as internal ones. Let's be blunt here: it is easier to go home after a long day of work, kick off your shoes, and spend time with your family and park yourself in front of the TV than to clean up, kiss your wife and kids good night, and head out to confer a degree or sit through a business meeting. That, in my opinion, is the bottom line of why guys don't join. It is simply easier not to be a Mason. This is a much-discussed topic, however, for another occasion.

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## Valley of Alliance

When a Lodge celebrates 125 years of operation, it is a reason to celebrate. Chartered in 1889, Alliance

Lodge #183 has met at different locations, though for nearly the past century, Lodge the met at has the Masonic building West 123 3rd Street in Alliance.



Officers and members of Alliance Lodge #183 with M.W. Joe McBride at the July cornerstone ceremony.

For whatever reason, the building now owned by the Valley of Alliance Scottish Rite - never had a proper cornerstone. To celebrate their 125th anniversary, the Lodge arranged for Grand Lodge to dedicate a cornerstone, which will be installed in the building foyer.

M.W. Joe D. McBride, Grand Master of Masons and the officers of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska came to Alliance on Sunday, July 27 for the ceremony. In addition to the Grand Lodge officers and members of Alliance #183, two Past

Grand Masters from Wyoming were in attendance as well as Charlie Haskell, Illustrious Potentate from Tehama Shrine.

The ceremony began with Gene Gatti, 32° KCCH, General Sec-

retary for the Scottish Rite and Secretary for the Lodge, requesting the cornerstone ceremony. The Grand Master spread the cement with participation from Gene Gatti, Charlie Haskell, and the visiting Past Grand Masters.

Grand Lodge officers tried the stone by the square, the level, and the plumb, declaring the Craftsman had done their duty. The stone was then annointed with corn, wine, and oil, and the Grand Master presented the working tools to an officer representing the Architect, saying "may the Lodge endure for many ages, a monument of the liberality and benevolence of its founders."



Gene Gatti assists the Grand Master by spreading the cement on the cornerstone.



Any Scottish Rite Mason who top line signs two or more petitions will have his 2015 dues waived.

#### Membership, continued

Second, Masonry *has* evolved and changed since I joined a mere 12 years ago. Lodges are doing more to be relevant to their members' lives and needs, as well as involve themselves in the community: involving new members with meaningful leadership experience, ChIP events, Kool-Aid Days in Hastings, Corned Beef and Cabbage Feed and the Robert Burns dinner in Lincoln, Lodges are marching in parades,

presenting scholarships, hosting golf benefits, hosting banquets and dances, wine tastings, and so much more. If you can't find something suited to your tastes between Blue Lodge, Shrine, Scottish Rite, York Rite and Eastern Star, then you aren't trying.

That's why saying "until there is change" is a false argument in Masonry. Things *are* changing, just

slowly, Lodge by Lodge, from one Master to the next, with slightly more steps forward than steps backward. The winds of change never blow, but are a light and steady breeze pushing Masonry forward.

"Winds of change" also presupposes that change is external.

Someone else does the changing or the times change, and men magically begin joining. The changes that are happening are done not because of outside societal changes, but specifically because YOU, the members, are getting involved in so many different ways.

Small change from a lot of people results in big organizational change.



So what is the takeaway? The takeaway is that change is not going to simply happen and all will be better in Masonry. It requires tending and involvement and participation, and happens maddeningly slowly. But it does happen, and for the better (and if not for the better, then get involved and make it better.)

In terms of membership, change is a participatory sport. You need to lend your voice, speak up in Lodge, and get involved. You need to keep promoting Masonry to current and potential Brethren and remind them that they have the ability to put their own stamp on Lodge and the Craft.

## Valley of Hastings



Brother W. Glen Jorgenson, 33°, who passed away on July 20th at age 70.

Glen served as longtime Recorder for Tehama Shrine, General Secretary for the Hastings Scottish Rite, Secretary for Hastings Lodge #50, and as Worshipful Master of the Lodge in 1989. Glen retired in 2013.

Glen had been active with the Boy Scouts since age 8. He was an Eagle Scout, and has been a member of the executive board for the Boy Scouts' Overland Trails Council. Glen was also active in the Hastings community as a member of the Lion's Club, the Jaycees, and the United Commercial Travelers. Glen was elected to receive the KCCH in 1999, and was coroneted an Inspector General Honorary 33° in 2001.

met at Dr. Ryan Crouch's cabin on fore our monthly meeting. We may

the Platte River. Fellowship, discussions of why we value Scottish Rite, great brats and beer made for a fun and satisfying evening. The good turnout included three potential candidates the Central Nebraska Valley's Scottish Rite Reunion this October 10th and



Scottish Rite Masons met at Dr. Ryan Crouch's Platte River cabin in June for an evening of fellowship

11th. Please reach out to Master Masons at your Blue Lodge or in York Rite and Shrine bodies and invite them to join us for further light in Masonry as Scottish Rite Masons.

We discussed and decided to start our Master Craftsman classes on the first

n June 17th, Scottish Rite Masons Tuesday of September, an hour be-

have as many as nine members studying together.

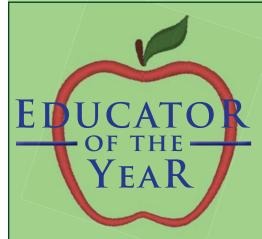
Ryan's cabin was a beautiful space to meet in as was the views from his front porch. Our next meeting we hope to meet at a gun range and do some shooting and eating!

Bob Scott, 32° bobscottster@gmail.com Venerable Master



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#### **Hastings Scottish Rite Presents Check to the**



Tastings High School science teacher, Mr. Jim Fieldler was presented a check for \$1,000 by Rev. Robert Scott, 32° Venerable Master of the Scottish Rite Hastings Valley on Friday, May 2nd, at the Hastings Public Schools Foundation Dinner held at Lochland Country Club.

The Hastings Valley of Scottish Rite established a trust fund over 20 years ago specifically for the purpose of generating \$1,000 a year to be presented to the on their lives. I am fortunate to live teacher named Educator of the year by in a community that supports educathe Hastings Public Schools. The mon-tion and works tirelessly to make it ies are given by the Scottish Rite to sup- better... I very much appreciate the port quality education in our Public recognition and monetary gift that I School System.

Mr. Fieldler was asked to use the gift in any way that will support and enhance the outstanding job of teaching that he is already doing in his classes. Jim Fielder mainly teaches physics and an honors physical science course. He has worked for Hastings Public Schools for 18 years. The person who nominated him was a former teacher of his and said, "He is a great role model, displays high moral character, and cares about his students."

In his thank you note to Robert Scott and the Scottish Valley of Hastings, Mr. Bob Scott, 32° presents a check to Hast-Fieldler stated. "As a teacher I am often rewarded in seeing my students excel. . . I hope that I have made a positive impact School

received from you. Thank you."



ings Educator of the Year Jim Fieldler, Science teacher from Hastings High

## Valley of Lincoln

# give to Lincoln Day a great success!

For the third year, the Valley of Lincoln Scottish Rite has participated in Give to Lincoln Day. Give to Lincoln Day was started in 2012 by the Lincoln Community Foundation as a way to encourage support for the Lincoln non-profit community. Participating non-profits could set up an online presence, and every donation received online during Give to Lincoln Day (or at the Lincoln Community Foundation offices) would be eligible for a prorated match of a \$300,000 donation, based on the total donations received by all participating organizations.

This year, Give to Lincoln Day was held on May 29th. This year, the Lincoln Scottish Rite Preservation Foundation raised \$1,166 online, and \$4,000 donated directly through the Lincoln Community Foundation. Based on the donations received, the Lincoln Scottish Rite Preservation Foundation received an additional matching donation of \$700. Since 2012, the Lincoln Scottish Rite's Foundation has received over \$11,200 from Give to Lincoln Day.

Though gifts will not be eligible for a matching gift, members can still make a tax-deductible donation to the Lincoln Scottish Rite Preservation Foundation at <a href="https://www.razoo.">www.razoo</a>.

com/scottishritelincoln. Donations support the Scottish Rite capital campaign and building renovations, the RiteCare Clinic at the Barkley Memorial Center, and the Lincoln Public School's Teacher of the Year award.

The Valley of Lincoln has a busy Fall calendar. Check out the upcoming events and plan to join us for some fantastic fellowship!



Sunday, September 7, 2014 10:30 a.m. walk, followed by lunch

10:30 a.m. walk, followed by lunch no cost to participate, but each donation of \$25 gets you a WalkRite t-shirt

# FALL REUNION

The Lincoln Scottish Rite needs Candidates for the Fall Reunion! As an incentive for signing new candidates for the Fall Reunion, your 2015 dues will be waived if you sign at least two petitions. Please help sign petitions by promoting the Scottish Rite Fall Reunion in your Blue Lodge, York Rite bodies, and Shrine clubs or units.







#### Save the Date

Join us on
Friday, December 12
for the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual
Scottish Rite steak and
lobster tail Christmas
dinner, followed by
great entertainment.
\$25/person

Lincoln Scottish Rite Christmas party

## Valley of Omaha

#### SCOTTISH RITE FOUNDATION OF OMAHA

# 7th ANNUAL RiteCare Classic



riday, June 20 was a blistering 92 degrees according to the thermometer. Fortunately a steady breeze kept 16 teams cool during the 17th annual Scottish Rite RiteCare Classic. The golf outing benefits the RiteCare Speech and Language Clinic at the UNMC Munroe-Meyer Institute. Golfers played 18 holes of golf at Shoreline Golf Club in Carter Lake, IA, followed by a great dinner prepared by the Culinary Masters at the Scottish Rite Masonic Center.

Title sponsors for the Golf Outing were RBC Wealth Management, the Garlock Foundation, and the UNMC Munroe-Meyer Institute. Numerous companies and individuals supported the Golf Outing as hole sponsors. Thanks to their generosity, as well as hole sponsors, donors, and players, the Golf Outing raised approximately \$7,500 for the RiteCare Speech and Language Clinics and the Scottish Rite Foundation of Omaha.

Golf committee Chair Buzz Garlock awarded prizes for top flights, putting contests, hole contests, as well as the raffle prizes. First place, first flight winners were Jim Turpen, Ross Turpen, Gib Willett, and Brian Lawson. First place, second flight winners were the Munroe-Meyer Institute team. First place, second flight winners were Rick Gilmore, Bob Gilmore, Tom Gilmore, and David Meinzer. Second place, second flight winners were Dan Wellendorf, Greg Swinarski, and Schadd Gray. In the next division, winners were Buzz and Becky Garlock and Terry and Linda Cadwell.

This year, Pacific Life donated beautiful golf shirts to players with the RiteCare Classic logo, and numerous area companies donated prizes for players.

The Culinary Masters prepared prime rib dinner, served with baked potatoes, fresh corn, and salad. After a great dinner, RiteCare Clinic director Carol Gaebler spoke about the clinic services, and the success of this year's services for Nebraska's children.

In past years, the golf outing was simply called the Scottish Rite Golf Outing. This year, the benefit was rebranded the RiteCare Classic, to both attract RiteCare

parents and families to play while reflecting that the money raised goes toward the RiteCare Clinics through the Scottish Rite Foundation of Omaha.

For a package on how to plan a golf outing to benefit your Valley's Foundation, e-mail Micah Evans at micah@SRNE.org or call Micah at (402) 342-1300.



Terry and Linda Cadwell and Buzz and Becky Garlock



Ernie Waters, Bryan Kaureman, Don Kavalec, and Gary Unger



Rick Gilmore, Tom Gilmore, Bob Gilmore, David Meinzer, and Carol Gaebler,

For more pictures from this year's RiteCare Classic Golf Outing, visit

www.ScottishRiteOmaha.org

#### Please thank our hole sponsors this year:

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Thank you for making the 2014 RiteCare Classic a success!

## Omaha Valley prepares to celebrate 100 years of Reunions in Our Historic Scottish Rite Cathedral

Tovember 19, 1914, the final day of the Fall Reunion was briskly cold, with temperatures hovering only a few degrees above zero. After two years of construction, the new Scottish Rite Cathedral at 20th and Douglas was dedicated, beginning with 175 Master Masons receiving the 32° Prince of the Royal Secret in the building. As part of the plan to fund the building construction with minimal indebtedness, the Dedication Class paid \$141.50 to petition (equivalent to \$3,366 in 2014 dollars). Numerous men of note joined the Dedication Class, including Nathan P. Dodge II of N.P. Dodge Real Estate and August Eggerss, President of Eggerss-O'Flyng Box Company, business executives and doctors. Not just the business community, the class included John Petrow, a Greek immigrant who owned a Fremont candy kitchen, and whose family restaurant still operates today.

Above pictures: Henry C. Alverson, 33° SGIG for Nebraska and Iowa (top) and Carl Herring, 33°, Secretary of the Scottish Rite bodies (bottom)

The class included Howard Hutton and William Kragstow, electricians, and Lloyd Denslow, a farmer of Hooper Lodge #72.

At the banquet afterward, Carl Herring, 33° spoke on "The Meaning of the Building." Beautiful surroundings, he pointed out, were essential to permit the fullest expression of the purpose and ideals of Masonry. Even as music was necessary to enable the complete symbolic expression of idealism, so the Cathedral was necessary to fully harmonize the work of the order.

So much demand to see the building necessitated having it open to the public the following Saturday, and visitors marveled at the silk stage curtain, and mahogany and Belgian beechwood furniture from Orchard & Wilhelm's.

The 100th anniversary of the Dedication Class represents the 261st Reunion and the Scottish Rite officers are pulling out all the stops to make this another one for the record books.

Please plan to join us for excellent degree work, the dedication of the Grand Cross room, and the banquet and concert afterward.

#### Plans for 2014 Reunion

Degrees of the Scottish Rite Dedicating Grand Cross room with Ill. Bob Davis, 33° G.C. Dedication of restored 1926 organ Catered banquet followed by Billy McGuigan concert in theater

# Special \$150 Centennial Reunion Petition fee includes:

- Centennial medallion
- Master Craftsman program
- 2015 dues
- 14° ring pyramid
- Reservations at the Banquet for candidate and a guest

Please promote membership to potential candidates



# RiteCare . . . making a difference

UNMC Munroe-Meyer Institute's RiteCare Clinic Welcomes New Clinician, Leslie VanWinkle, M.S.

My name is Leslie Van Winkle and I am the newest member of the RiteCare Clinic at the Munroe-Meyer Institute at UNMC.

I graduated in May with my Master's degree in speech pathology from the University of Iowa. I grew up in Treynor, Iowa (20 miles east of Omaha)

and went to the University of Nebraska at Kearney for my undergraduate work.

I am an avid college football fan (Go Big Red!) and enjoy going to coffee shops and spending time with my friends in my free time. I have always wanted to work with children and am so excited that I get to do so every day! I truly believe that I chose the best field to make



a difference in the lives of children and families!

I help facilitate each of the preschool groups at the RiteCare Clinic at the UNMC Munroe-Meyer Institute, as well as provide therapy for children on an individual basis. I am also one of the speech pathologists who evaluates children as a part of an inter-

disciplinary team known as the Autism Diagnostic Clinic.

I am truly astounded at the quality of services that are provided here at no cost to families, thanks to the incredible generosity of the Scottish Rite Masons. I am extremely blessed to be a member of this team and am proud to say I work at the RiteCare Clinic here at MMI!

Laura Moody, MS.Ed. writes from the RiteCare Clinic at the University of Nebraska at Kearney:

The UNK RiteCare Telepractice Clinic is proud to share that the very first telepractice client graduated from speech therapy in April 2014. She was a preschooler who was working on her "k" and "g" sounds. She began therapy with us in September 2012 by participating in our first telepractice session and continuing telepractice therapy ever since. We are so thankful to this little girl for all that she taught us about delivering speech therapy via telepractice. We are also excited that she graduated from speech therapy ready for Kindergarten and saying all of her sounds!







# TOY









by Deb Wilhelm, M.S. Hastings RiteCare Clinician

A couple months ago after Caleb's speech session, his mother Colleen, suggested we try a Toy Sale as a fundraiser for the clinic. A meeting time was set and Emily Johnson, Colleen, and I met downtown at a coffee shop to discuss the possibilities of this new venture. From this initial idea, the toy sale began to grow and blossom into a much bigger project.

A date was selected, items were collected and the organizing began. The clinic was able to collect some wonderful items from the parents and grandparents of RiteCare kids, as well as from Hastings' Masons and from the community. The Hastings Masonic Center ballroom transformed into a huge rummage and antique sale. On Saturday, June 28, the doors opened to the public at 8:00 a.m., and from that point, a constant flow of people wandered the ballroom searching for that perfect treasure or much needed piece of clothing.

We had an awesome variety of items including antiques, Lionel trains, household items, clothing, shoes, baby items, games and books. Through the enthusiasm and generosity of those who attended the fundraiser, approximately \$3,400 was raised for the RiteCare Clinic. The toy sale was a wonderful opportunity to provide information about the clinic and the awesome service it provides for the community and surrounding communities.

A special thank you goes out to Caleb's brother, Campbell, who set up the awesome Sponge Bob table selling ring pops and krabby paddies on a stick. With his charisma and salesman skills, he raised \$62.00 on his own.

A big thank you goes out to all the volunteer parents and members who took the time to help due to their love for the clinic and what it stands for!! THANK YOU!!!!

## Development

# Giving: Changing TRADITION

#### Micah I. Evans, 33°, Orient Development Director

Masonic fundraising today is an interesting challenge, almost unique to Masonry alone. We have two demographic groups that respond to our philanthropies quite differently.

On one hand, older members who have been longtime Masons tend to have more savings and a long commitment to Masonic philanthropies. They have seen first-hand the good done by the Shrine Hospitals, our Scottish Rite RiteCare Clinics, the Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children, or the Masonic Home in Plattsmouth and have been consistently generous. I can think of a few instances where a Brother has quietly helped the Lodge repair a roof or funded major renovations.

Younger members see philanthropy as an action verb, as something they can physically do to help the community. They want to get involved, and are not necessarily in a position to contribute to Masonic appeals, nor do they



necessarily see themselves battering cod for the fish fry or spending the morning shucking corn. As often as not, they have kids who go to swim practice instead, while older members both have the time and an emotional investment in their Lodge's traditions, like fish fries, the Lodge pancake breakfast or the spaghetti feed.

Older members, particularly in many Nebraska towns, remember a tradition where the community pitched in to support the Lodge, whereas younger members view philanthropy as something benefitting the entire community as opposed to the Lodge boiler fund.

Neither demographic is wrong, but it does be speak the need to be creative on how we raise funds from Masons - event-based or appeal-based - always respectful of a brother donor as a Mason first, a valuable member of the fraternity, not as a flapping wallet.

We have been fortunate to have many brethren ask about how they can include Masonry in their estate planning and many more support our fundraisers and appeals. For that, I am grateful. However you choose to support Scottish Rite and Masonic charities, thank you first for being a Mason, and thank you for helping us continue to serve our communities through our philanthropy.



# 101-Club Update

In July, I sent to Nebraska's Scottish Rite Masons the "101 Club" appeal, which supports the RiteCare Speech and Language clinics in Hastings, Kearney, Lincoln, Omaha, and Alliance through the Scottish Rite Foundation of Nebraska. I hope you had an opportunity to watch the new RiteCare video and learn about the kids we've helped. At present, we have raised over \$6,850 with donations still coming in, all of which go to the RiteCare Clinics around the state.

Each \$101 represents the RiteCare Clinic's true cost of one session of therapy, and it makes a big difference in our ability to continue serve Nebraska's children, particularly in



rural communities where children may not have easy access to speech therapists in their schools.

In 2014, the RiteCare budget is \$582,000, which covers the Kearney Clinic and Alliance satellite office, two clinicians in Hastings, one at the Barkley Memorial Center on the UNL East campus in Lincoln, and 4 full time clinicians in Omaha at the UNMC Munroe-Meyer Institute. This is a large budget, but I am proud to report that the costs per therapy session are dramatically less than charged by other clinics.

I hope you are as proud as I am to be a Scottish Rite Mason, because you are underwriting these services for children, and families receive no bills for therapy. For many families, particularly for those who could not afford speech therapy otherwise, whose insurance may not cover more than a few sessions of therapy, or those who could only get occasional services through other means, this is a significant benefit.

I am fortunate to meet many families whose children have worked with RiteCare clinicians, and they are truly grateful that their children can express themselves - or simply say "I love you." Thank you for supporting the 101-Club appeal. If you have not supported RiteCare, please consider a donation - any amount - to the Scottish Rite Foundation of Nebraska.

Micah I. Evans, 33° Orient of Nebraska Development Director micah@SRNE.org

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Your donations change the world. 33

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