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## Message to the Craft

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My Scottish Rite Brothers:

Just a little over seven (7) months ago we moved into our new premises at 9525-H East 51st Street here in Tulsa. During that time we have established our business offices and RiteCare Clinic operations. We have also completed installation of a stage with new sound, lighting and imaging equipment in our auditorium. We now have the most modern degree technology of any Valley in the entire Southern Jurisdiction.

We are looking forward to our Spring Reunion to be held on April 19 & 20. A schedule of events is included in this Newsletter. Our members who work in the Control Booth have spent countless hours getting used to the equipment. Degree teams have attended numerous practice sessions getting acclimated to the new setting.

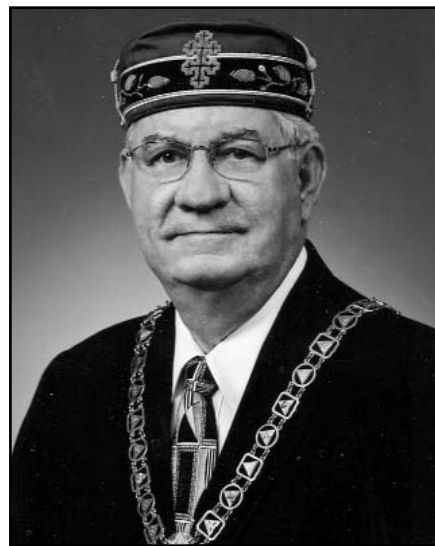
We are excited about this "new beginning" for the Tulsa Scottish Rite. You can feel the enthusiasm when you attend LOP meetings, Scottish Rite Society events and degree practice sessions.

If you have not visited our new facility I hope that you will do so soon. We are open five (5) days a week during normal business hours. You do not need an appointment to come and take a tour of the premises.

At 8:00 A.M. on April 19 we will have the Opening Ceremony for our Spring Reunion. I would like to see the auditorium filled for this event. This would be a wonderful opportunity for you to come for the Opening Ceremony, shake hands with our candidates, visit with your Scottish Rite Brothers and see a Scottish Rite degree in a brand new setting. I think you will be impressed.

I hope to see you on April 19th.

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Joseph C. Jennings, Jr., 33°  
Sovereign Grand Inspector General  
in Oklahoma

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## Are You A Perpetual Member?

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## Win a \$500 Gift Certificate

There will be a drawing for a \$500 gift certificate from Bill's Sporting Goods at the Sunday April 20<sup>th</sup> noon meal during the Spring reunion. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5 and are available now at the Valley office. They will also be available for purchase during the reunion.

## Valley of Tulsa Celebrates 50 Years

In 1958, approximately 4,000 Scottish Rite Masons petitioned for and were granted Letters Temporary by the Supreme Council. These Letters Temporary empowered the Tulsa Scottish Rite to confer the degrees of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite. There were reunions in May, October, and December of that year, with 918 men becoming Masters of the Royal Secret.

At its biennial session in 1959, the Supreme Council issued Charters to the Tulsa Lodge of Perfection, Tulsa Chapter of Rose Croix, Tulsa Council of Kadosh, and Tulsa Consistory; the Valley of Tulsa was official!!

We are thankful for those Scottish Rite Masons who joined the Valley of Tulsa and those who became Scottish Rite Masons in 1958; they laid the foundation that we are still building on today!!

In 1977, the Tulsa Scottish Rite Charitable and Educational Foundation opened the Childhood Language Disorders Clinic, which is now known as the Tulsa Rite Care Clinic. Since you made it possible for the Clinic to offer professional speech-language therapy to that first client, your Clinic has treated over 3,200 children. And, of course, we never have had a cash register in our Clinic...because your support has made it possible to offer this treatment at no charge to the client family!

As we move forward into our second 50 years, we invite you to visit our new facility! You are always welcome during normal business hours. But this year, we particularly encourage you to visit, even for only a short while, during one of our 2008 two-day reunions, scheduled for April 19 and 20 and October 25 and 26.

## Knights of St. Andrew Update

The Knights of St. Andrew will be very visible at the upcoming Spring Golden Anniversary Reunion.

The Knights will have a large part in the opening ceremonies; they will post the colors and escort the Sovereign Grand Inspector General and Grand Master to the podium for remarks.

Additionally, at 7:00 PM on Saturday, April 19, they will host a dinner and 14th degree ring presentation for candidates and wives. The dinner is free for candidates and wives.

Member meal tickets are \$10 per person and will be available during the day on Saturday from members of the Knights of St. Andrew.

## Upcoming Events of Interest

June 12 . . . . .Tulsa County Scottish Rite Society  
Flag Day

August 14 . . . . .Tulsa County Scottish Rite Society  
Appreciation Dinner

October 4/5 . . . . .Guthrie Scottish Rite Fall Reunion

October 16 . . . . .Tulsa County Scottish Rite Society  
Feast of Tishri

October 18/19 . . . . .McAlester Scottish Rite Fall Reunion

October 25/26 . . . . .Tulsa Scottish Rite Fall Reunion

November 7-9 . . . . .Grand School - Guthrie

November 10 . . . . .Grand Lodge - Guthrie

# 2008 Tulsa Scottish Rite Officers Installed

The 2008 Officers of the Tulsa Scottish Rite Bodies were elected and appointed at the January 2007 meeting and installed at the February meeting. The Master of the Scottish Rite Bodies represent you, the Craft, as members of the S.:G.:I.:G.:’s Advisory Conference, and as Trustees of the Charitable and Educational Foundation. Congratulations to the Four Masters, and to the other elected and appointed officers for 2008. Your dedication and service are appreciated.



Raymond O. McLain, 32°, KCCH  
Venerable Master  
Lodge of Perfection



Bret J. Jennings, 32°, KCCH  
Wise Master  
Chapter of Rose Croix



Dustin P. Dye, 32°  
Commander  
Council of Kadosh



Gary D. Barber, 33°  
Master of Kadosh  
Consistory

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Treasurer . . . . .Russell E. Donathan, 32°  
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Expert . . . . .Stuart S. Lough, 32°  
Assistant Expert . . . . .Michael D. Maxey, 32°  
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Tiler . . . . .David Ray Blades, 32°

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**Scottish Rite Masons**  
*Helping Children Communicate*

**2008 Membership Dues Notices have been mailed.  
Please remit promptly.**

# Tulsa Scottish Rite Charitable and Educational Foundation Contributions

(October 1, 2007 – February 29, 2008)

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# Tulsa Scottish Rite Spring Reunion Schedule

Saturday, April 19, 2008		
6:30 - 7:30 AM	Breakfast / Candidate Registration	
7:30	SET FOR OPENING CEREMONIES	
7:45	Class Assembly and Roll Call	Classroom
8:00	Opening Ceremonies Open Tulsa Lodge of Perfection by Venerable Master	
9:10	Introduction to Scottish Rite Degrees Robert G. Davis, 33°, G.:C.:	Classroom
	BREAK	
9:50	4th Degree ** – <u>Secret Master</u> – Exemplified James E. Carroll, 32°, KCCH, Director	
	Clinic Presentation by Adrienne Rogers, M.A., C.C.C.	Classroom
	BREAK	
10:50	5th Degree – <u>Perfect Master</u> – Exemplified Gary L. Johnson, 32°, KCCH, Director	
	SET FOR LUNCH	
	LUNCH	
12:45 PM	RESET FOR DEGREES	
1:00	6th Degree – <u>Confidential Secretary</u> – Exemplified Michael M. McConnell, 32°, Director	
	7th Degree – Communicated	Classroom
	BREAK	
1:45	8th Degree ** – <u>Intendant of the Building</u> – Exemplified David W. Allen, 32°, KCCH, Director	
	9th, 10th, 11th Degrees – Communicated	Classroom
	BREAK	
2:40	12th Degree – <u>Master Architect</u> – Exemplified David A. Carpenter, 32°, KCCH, Director	
	13th Degree – Communicated	Classroom
	BREAK	
3:25	14th Degree – <u>Perfect Elu</u> – Exemplified Dr. Richard Polk, 32°, KCCH, Director	
7:00	Knights of St. Andrew – 14th Degree Ring Presentation and Banquet - Candidate and Guest	

Sunday, April 20, 2008		
6:30 - 7:30 AM	Breakfast	
7:30	SET FOR DEGREE WORK	
7:45	Class Assembly and Roll Call Open Chapter of Rose Croix - Wise Master 15th, 16th, 17th Degrees - Communicated	Classroom
8:00	18th Degree – <u>Knight Rose Croix</u> – Exemplified John W. Vaughan, Jr., 33°, Director Open Council of Kadosh - Commander	
	19th - 21st, Degrees - Communicated	Classroom
	BREAK	
9:30	22nd Degree – <u>Knight of the Royal Axe</u> <u>or Prince of Lebanon</u> – Exemplified John F. Nein, 32°, Director	
	23rd, 24th, 25th Degrees – Communicated	Classroom
	BREAK	
10:45	26th Degree ** – <u>Prince of Mercy</u> – Exemplified Ronald L. Shoaf, 32°, KCCH, Director	
	27th, 28th, 29th Degrees – Communicated Class Officer Election	Classroom
	SET FOR LUNCH	
	LUNCH	
12:45 PM	RESET FOR DEGREES	
	York Rite & Shrine Presentations	Classroom
1:30	Class Photograph	
2:00	30th Degree – <u>Knight Kadosh</u> – Exemplified Gary D. Barber, 33°, KCCH, Director	
	Open Consistory – Master of Kadosh	
	31st Degree – Communicated	Classroom
3:00	Ladies Tea	
3:30	32nd Degree – <u>Master of the Royal Secret</u> – Exemplified Russell E. Donathan, 32°, Director	
	Conclusion of Work	
	<b>** PASSPORT DEGREES</b>	

# Sophi Learns To Talk!

By: Adrienne Rogers, M.A., C.C.C.

Sophi began coming to the Clinic for weekly therapy sessions with Kathleen Plumb in the spring of 2006. Sophi had just turned three and was not talking much. When she did talk, only her family could understand her. She communicated using some single words, a few two-word phrases and many excellent, complicated gestures. Everyone who knew Sophi could see how smart she was! Her gestures showed she understood everything, and she had other better-than-average talents like drawing, writing letters and numbers, working puzzles, listening and following directions.

Sophi worked hard to learn new words, pronounce difficult speech sounds, speak in longer, more complicated sentences and ask questions. Progress was slow at first then accelerated rapidly. Though Sophi struggled to learn speech, she enjoyed her speech therapy lessons. She once requested a substitute clinician when Ms. Kathleen had a week-long vacation planned.

In a little more than a year, Sophi's sentences grew from the single-word level to an average sentence length of more than seven words. Her longest utterances were 15 words long! Now, Sophi's sentences are almost always understood. Testing shows normal expressive language and articulation skills for her age with above-average language comprehension. Sophi has graduated, and we miss her!



## Scottish Rite Masons Helping Children Communicate Speech • Language • Literacy

### YOUR Tulsa Scottish Rite Needs YOU!

The Tulsa Scottish Rite is NOT the building we meet in, but rather is the Brethren who belong and support its programs, activities, and philanthropies... that's you and me! Of course, no one person can do it all, but if we each do a little, together we can accomplish great things.

We need your assistance in several areas:

#### Reunion Logistics

Due to the fact that we must serve meals in the auditorium area, we will need assistance in setting for meals and resetting for degree work.

#### Membership

We need a Lodge Ambassador for each Lodge within the Tulsa Valley's Jurisdiction. If you are interested in being the Ambassador to your Lodge, please contact Br. David Blades, Membership Chairman. He can be reached by telephone at (918) 627-2505 or by email at [drblades@cox.net](mailto:drblades@cox.net).

#### Degree Teams

Our Director of Work would very much like to be able to exemplify all degrees of Scottish Rite Masonry. To do this, we need directors and degree teams for the 9th, 10th, 11th, 15th, 20th, and 21st degrees. If you would like to accept the challenge of assisting Br. Ted Renfro with this, please contact him at 455-4093 or by email at [ted\\_deb@cox.net](mailto:ted_deb@cox.net).

# CONGRATULATIONS TO TULSA VALLEY 2007 HONOR MEN



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## 33° Inspector General Honorary

*Front row, left to right:*

Robert L. Fuller, James L. Gray, Joseph C. Jennings, Jr., S.:G.:I.:G.: in Oklahoma, Donald P. Taylor, Patrick D. Couch

*Second row, left to right:*

Jon A. Ferris, John D. Miller, Jr., William M. Miller, Jr., James E. Smyrl, Gary D. Barber, George E. Fletcher, William C. Brisbois

Not pictured: Ted L. Renfro



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## Knights Commander of the Court of Honour

*Front row, left to right:*

Kenneth L. Lewis, Gary G. Hix, David R. Ward, Joseph C. Jennings, Jr., S.:G.:I.:G.: in Oklahoma, Larry L. Bailey, Andrew B. Palmer, James K. Culbert

*Second row, left to right:*

James W. Wills, Thomas E. Michael, Robert R. Rolseth, Dan W. Shea, Gary F. Haney, Richard L. Hannah

(Not pictured: Rex L. Eutsler, Robert E. Goode)

## Tulsa Scottish Rite Member Recognized For Professional Excellence

Dr. Ronald Foore, 32°, KCCH, has been designated as a National Board Certified Teacher (N.B.C.T.) as granted by The National Board for Professional Teaching Standards, an official agency of the United States Government. Only slightly more than 1% of the 3.1 million teachers in the United States have qualified for this distinction. To qualify as N.B.C.T., a teacher must meet rigorous and stringent qualifications including evidence of positively impacting the lives of students and the profession of teaching, passing written competency exams, and being actively involved in community leadership. This is the highest honor granted to a teacher in the United States of America.

Dr. Foore has been a teacher for thirty-five years and currently is a Department Chair within the International Baccalaureate Program at Booker T. Washington High School in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He is the founding President of The Oklahoma Educators Hall Of Fame, Past President of the Oklahoma Council for The Social Studies, Past President of Phi Delta Kappa and National Professional Organizations. Additionally, he has authored textbooks currently being used in High Schools all over America, and has spoken at many state, regional, and national conferences and workshops.

Dr. Foore is a Perpetual Member of The Tulsa Scottish Rite, Past Master of Delta Masonic Lodge #425 in Tulsa. He has been Chair of both The Oklahoma Grand Lodge Committee on Public Schools and Lodge Education Committee. He is a member of the Order of the Amaranth, the Royal Order of Scotland, and is a Senior DeMolay having earned The Order of DeMolay Legion of

Honor and is a Past Master Teacher Councilor (winning the Meritorious Service Award). While active in The Order of DeMolay, he was elected as a District Master Councilor, and over the years he has participated in many Scottish Rite Degree presentations and was awarded the Tulsa Scottish Rite Award of Excellence, as well as serving for several years as the Tulsa Scottish Rite Scholarship Committee Chair. He is one of only a handful of Oklahomans to be awarded The National Scottish Rite Doctoral Scholarship, granted to assist him in pursuing his Doctorate.

Dr. Foore is a member of the Tulsa Say No to Hate Coalition, sponsored by the Tulsa Metropolitan Ministries, and has served on the Board of Directors of the Tulsa Global Alliance and the Tulsa Chautauqua. He has served on the Board of Directors of a United Way Agency (Twelve and Twelve Agency) and is an Adult Sunday School Teacher at the Owasso First United Methodist Church. Dr. Foore has served as a Committeeman for the National Council for the Social Studies, the National Education Association, and is a member of the American Psychology Association.



Dr. Ronald Foore, 32°, KCCH

**Plan to Join Us for the Tulsa Scottish  
Rite Two-Day Spring Reunion  
Saturday, April 19 and Sunday, April 20  
(Refer to the Schedules on Page 5 of this Issue)**

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