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For The Valley of Billings, Orient of Montana - serving Eastern Montana Scottish Rite Members

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To The Celestial Lodge:

LEON PERRY HOUGLUM 1933—2019

A FEW WORDS FROM YOUR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE



We are getting close to having our new entry completed. I believe that the sheet-rockers will be here next week to get started on that. The outside is coming along nicely and should be done in a few weeks. Frank Dengel is one of our newer members. Frank owns Town and Country Electric and is

doing all the wiring of the building and is one of the best contractors that we have worked with. It is always nice when a Brother comes out to help and you can trust him to do his best.

Bob Snow is having knee surgery the last part of June. I think all the steps here at the Scottish rite had something to do with wearing out his knee. I hope all goes well for Bob, he has been a huge asset to our organization. Another caterer will be doing our July meeting so maybe we can wear out their knees also.

I would also like to plead with everyone for their E-mail address. If you are getting the Billboard by USPO, we do not have your E-mail. If you still want a print edition that is fine, but we need the E-mail for sending out special programs and advising you on any changes. Please send your E-mail to:

secretary@billingsscottishrite.com. If you still want a printed copy, please state that in the E-mail. I hope to see all of you at our July Meeting, especially the new members who will be getting their caps and rings and patents.

Bob Hanson,

Personal Representative

Message from The Venerable Master



Greetings

For those of you that haven't had a chance to swing by and see the progress on our addition to the building, I'd like to report that it is coming along nicely. There is quite a difference between seeing it on a set of prints and seeing it person.

We will not open a LOP on July 3rd but will have a Cap and Ring ceremony for our four new 32° Scottish Rite Mason's. This will be a great time to introduce yourself to them. Ravens Catering will be providing dinner while Brother Bob Snow is mending his new knee. I have had Ravens meals before and they are wonderful. Please see the menu below. The dress code is casual. Please make sure to turn in your reservations with our Secretary or Brother Bill Murphy before July 1st.

There are many Masonic events that are coming up in the next few months. The Grand Lodge of Montana will be holding its 153^{rd} Annual Communication here in Billings June $27^{th} - 29^{th}$. For most of us, this is a great opportunity for us to attend without having to travel far.

As far as the Scottish Rite is concerned, again, on July 3rd we have our Cap and Ring ceremony as stated above. August 3rd, we have our annual summer picnic at the Scottish Rite building. Bob Snow will be grilling for that. August 7th we will have our stated meeting. August 24th we will finish our gun raffle at the Shrine Auditorium. And on September 7th we have our 100 Year Anniversary celebration. It is a busy and exciting time. I look forward to seeing you soon.

Fraternally Sean McDuffee

THE RITE CORNER



David L. Nielsen, S.G.I.G.

June in Montana is Masonic month and usually includes the York Rite Session, Rainbow Grand Assembly, Grand Chapter of Eastern Star and concluding with Grand Lodge of Montana. Recently I attended the opening session of the Order of

Eastern Star in Missoula to bring them greetings from the Orient of Montana, Scottish Rite. Then I will do the same at Grand Assembly of Order of Rainbows for Girls, and then Grand Lodge. Every time I bring greetings on behalf of Scottish Rite I am reminded of the common values and goals of all the organizations in our Masonic family.

As I travel to these events, I reflect on what these Masonic affiliated groups provide to their members and to the good of society. They are good organizations wherein good people can meet to do good. Ideally when a person joins the organization, they become bonded as close friends—brother or sisters. I think the power of the organizations is to not only help build a larger network of friends but having the opportunity to get to know better those with whom we might know just casually.

All the Masonic organizations have charitable causes that provide needed services to members of society. More than that, the other bodies contribute to and work together with the other bodies. I heard of a case in Billings years ago where a child could not speak and form words. The initial medical diagnosis was that the child was incurably mentally impaired. Despite the initial belief that the child had mental deficiencies, the child was brought to the Billings Scottish Rite Language Clinic for speech therapy to try to improve the child's speech as best as possible. After working with the therapists, it was discovered that the child also had a physical defect in the mouth that was significantly impairing the speech. The child was referred to the Shriners who sent the child to their hospital for corrective surgery to the mouth. After corrective surgery in the mouth and with the concurrent speech therapy, it was discovered that the child did not in fact have mental impairment. The inability to speak was a combination of a physical defect in the mouth and lack of speech learning. When the Masonic bodies combine their talents and charities, there is no limit on what we can accomplish.

The Supreme Council for Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction, will meet in August in Washington D.C. for its regular Biennial Session. That means we will be selecting Scottish Rite members to receive the KCCH and the 33rd Degree this fall. The details for these conferrals will be forthcoming

Have a relaxed and enjoyable summer



SCOTTISH RITE LANGUAGE CLINIC

www.ritecarebillings.org

The Speech and Language Clinic is providing sponsorships for 39 youngsters at the moment with two applications pending. One of the rewards of being involved is to see the children discharged from regular treatment to continue their progress at home and in school.

Trudie Biggers, our team member who is working on securing grants for the clinic scored a big win recently. The Bair Family Foundation of Martinsdale, Montana generously made a grant of \$7,500.00. to help further the work of our Clinic. Such amounts in additional to other more modest gifts assure that the clinic and the help it offers will continue. Thank You to the Bair Foundation and all others who find a place in their budgets for the Scottish Rite Speech and Language Clinic.

Our fund-raising is not totally assured at this point. Please contact me at Smith Mortuary or call the Scottish Rite Office at 259-6683 with all helpful ideas.

Respectfully submitted Jered H. Scherer

"Koffee Klatch"
Every Thursday
7:30 AM to 9 AM

Just \$1.00

Money goes to

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Knights of St. Andrew
Study Group—
Third Friday of Each Month at
5:00 PM

The next meeting of the Knights of St Andrews Study Group is scheduled for July 19, 2019

General Info

BILLINGS VALLEY SCOTTISH RITE 2019 OFFICERS LODGE OF PERFECTION

Elected

VM Sean McDuffee 32°, KCCH SW Pete Boothroyd 32°

JW Dan Jobrack, 32°
Orator Mark T. Olson, 32°
Almoner David Bergeson, 33°
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Treasurer David Armstrong, 33°

Appointed

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Orator Adam Johnson 32°

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Tom Hornung, 32°, KCCH

CONSISTORY

Master of KadoshDave Schantz, 32°PriorGordon Lockwood, 33°PreceptorGerald (Jerry) Shay, 33°Minister of StateDale Vietmeier, 33°

If you are one of the 49 members who has not ponied up your 2019 SR dues, please call the office 406-259-683



Beartooth District Calendar

As a continuing reminder, this calendar was created as a planning tool to avoid scheduling

conflicts when setting event dates. This works best if you let us know of any events you would like to include.

Corrections are also welcome.

Please go to: http:// www.montanafreemasons.org/

Click on Beartooth district
Scroll down to middle of page and click on
"Scheduled Events Calendar"

Please check for entries that may be of specific interest to you!

Thank you for your participation! Fraternally yours,

David Schantz -

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Pete Boothroyd -

petervincentboothroyd@gmail.com

Getting there!





Magic City Chapter - Order of DeMolay

By the time this is being read, DeMolay International will be holding its 99th Annual DeMolay International Supreme Council and the 52nd Annual DeMolay International Congress in Kansas City Missouri and celebrating our Centennial. The State of Montana is being represented by our State Master Councilor Joe St. John from Bozeman and Deputy State Master Councilor Aarron Lakko from Billings, additionally, Montana DeMolay Executive Officer Sam Whitehead, State Chapter Dad JD Olsen and I will be tagging along. This is the annual business meeting for DeMolay International, legislation will be discussed and voted on and new leaders will be elected for both the Supreme Council and the Congress. Additionally, they have built leadership tracks for the DeMolay members to go through this year. One track is focused on improving your local chapter and the second track is focused on College Prep and Life Skills. I guarantee Montana DeMolay will be represented well.

Magic City Chapter has been continuing its journey through 2019. June is a busy month in the Masonic Community. While we have had several small outings with the chapter, our biggest effort was when several of us drove to Missoula to represent Montana DeMolay at Grand Chapter for Montana Eastern Star. Missoula students were still in school, so we covered it for them. Our boys helped bring greetings and carried the DeMolay flag for the informal opening. Magic City Chapter has also been selected to Represent Montana DeMolay at Montana Grand Lodge this year, as most of the State Officers will be at DeMolay International Congress.

Finally, as we have just passed Father's Day, I thought I would talk a little about the unbelievable influence DeMolay DAD's have on the membership. They help provide the wealth of knowledge to draw from in order to learn life skills. Each DAD is someone who holds you when you cry, scolds you when you break the rules, shines with pride when you succeed, and has faith in you even when you fail. This is the reason DeMolay continues to exist to this day.

Please be on the lookout for good young men to get involved in this wonderful organization, we are looking for sons, grandsons, nephews, and friends ages 12-21. Help us grow, you will grow too.

Thanks, Dan Massey



CONTRIBUTIONS

MANY THANKS TO THOSE WHO CONTRIBUTE TO SCOTTISH RITE PROGRAMS

Language Clinic Operating

PAT & JACK REHBERG In Memory of EARL BLEY

NEWCOMERS CLUB OF BILLINGS

Transportation Van

MEAL MENU BY RED FEZ CATERING

DINNER MENU

Chicken enchilada
Tex-Mex corn
Southwest beans
with lettuce, Tomatoes,,
Sour cream and tortilla
chips for toppings
Mexican spiced brownie
for dessert
Lemonade and iced tea
and water to drink
Buffet style
\$15.00 a plate



Recruitment Breakfast 2nd Saturday 7:30 AM

Western Emporium 3141 King Ave W, Billings, MT 59102

Please join us!

Dinner Reservations Required

259-6683

By 10 AM MONDAY before Wednesday Dinner

THANK YOU

Casual Attire



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On
Our meeting night

Billings Scottish Rite Bodies

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Dave Schantz, 32°

JULY EVENTS AT THE RITE

02 Clinic Board, 12:00

Dos Machos

03 Executive meeting 6:00 Lodge meeting and dinner 6:30 Scottish Rite Temple

13 Breakfast 7:30 AM
Western Emporium
3141 King Ave W, Billings, MT

19 Knights of St Andrew 5 PM Scottish Rite Temple



We need to maintain a collection of Funds and Stubs

Please put all sold ticket stubs and money into an envelope.

<u>Place envelope in the Office</u> Mail Slot <u>or hand to Michael</u> at the Monthly meeting. **His our Tyler.**

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