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

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A FEW WORDS FROM YOUR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE



The program that Kalman Tinka presented at last months dinner meeting was fantastic. I know everyone in the room could relate to his interesting story about Lewis and Clark. Thank you Kalman for a wonderful program. I think the dining room was filled-to-capacity and I know our officers are making a huge difference in our attendance. The celebration of the Feast of Tishri is alive and well in our Scottish rite. Thank you to all who put your efforts into making this dinner so special, especially Dave Schantz who is the Commander of the Council of Kadosh and as such it was his responsibility to organize the proceedings.

Great job Dave. Our venerable master was out of town so our Senior Warden Sean McDuffee made the whole evening interesting and showed us what a great leader he is.

What a success our shoe program has been. At our last shoe fitting the whole side of the room was filled with kids from 8:00AM to 11:00 AM. I have never seen that many needy children in my life. It was a success because of the DeMolay and the Job's Daughters helping fit shoes. The Jobies were also supported by several mothers. Without all the help from of these groups we would never be able to hold this kind of event. I also want to especially thank the Lakko family for all their help with every event we have, what a great family, your support for your son is so refreshing. If every family had the kind of support you give your son, the world would be a very different place.

The Pumpkins for Kids weekend went very well. We had a fun night on Friday with games for all the young children and plenty of pumpkins to go around, thank you to Brother Jason Smith for heading this event up every year. It would not be possible without your help on this event. The Banquet on Saturday evening went very well. The Shrine lower level was filled with people and there were all kinds of action items for sale. This is the language clinics fundraiser for the year and Janell Brown made it a success with all her work for the past year as fundraising chairman. Jered Scherer is the chairman of our language clinic and with his full out work on this event it came off without a hitch. I'm so proud of everyone who helped make our clinic fundraising a big success.

Bob Hanson

Personal Representative

Message from The Venerable Master



What an action-filled month this has been, both for my family and our Masonic family.

We were unable to attend the October stated meeting, but Bro. Sean McDuffee, our Senior Warden, did a great job filling in for me, and Bro. David Schantz, Commander of the Council of Kadosh, presided over the Feast of Tishri. Thank you to everyone who participated. By all reports, it was a great evening, and I am sorry to have missed it. Earlier that week, my wife Mary Beth, and daughter Emma, and I headed South to San Diego, California, to see our youngest son, Marco, graduate from US Marine Corps Recruit Training, which was, in itself, a well-orchestrated event. High in emotion for most parents, to see their offspring molded into his own person, filled with a sense of duty and commitment to his Country. It is in the hands of these young men and women

that we put the trust to keep us safe and preserve our way of life.

In the very end of October or Early November, our daughter Anna will be heading to Parris Island, South Carolina to become a Marine, as well. With this, I anticipate another emotional roller coaster.

While we were in San Diego, our youngest daughter, Emma, saw and swam in the Pacific Ocean for the first time in her life.

From this, we rushed home to prepare for the first Fall Shoe Fitting. With the help of several of the Brothers, the Demolay and Jobies, we gave out about 275 pairs of shoes in 3 1/2 hours. Thank you to everyone who came and helped!

That weekend was also the Pumpkin Patch Party for Kids, and the Pumpkins for Kids fundraising dinner for the Language Clinic. I would like to express a heartfelt Thank You, and admiration, for all who helped make these events successful. Good food, a great time, and well-organized. So many people participated in the events this weekend, and made everything possible. These fundraisers help provide economical support for approximately 45-50 children so they can receive the speech therapy they need. I haven't seen the final numbers yet from these events, but they will be available at the November meeting.

The following Monday, I visited with Lodges in our district to promote the Appendent Bodies, and on Tuesday, as WM of Star in the West #40, shared with the Lodge there.

The next morning, we headed to Boise for the North West York Rite Leadership Conference, since I am a Grand Lodge officer in Chapter, Council and Commandery. We had a good weekend of learning and fellowship with members from the Northwestern states. Then we headed home in time to participate in the Job's Daughter's meeting, where I am the Director of Masonic Relations.

For some of you that read this, you probably wonder if I ever work or see my family, and to be honest, I am a very lucky man. Without my wife by my side, to support and help where needed, and my kids, who help with various events, shoes fittings, serving food, etc, this would never have been possible to do, and still work. We are self employed, with a great connection to our customers, who are willing and able to work with us. I feel so blessed to be surrounded by such supportive people. All of this is to say, if you've been cautious of stepping in to help, because you don't think you have the time, you don't have to be as involved as this. Together, we all work toward the greater goal. If you can only help with a few things, help with those. Get involved. When many people do little things, together, they accomplish great things.

As I am writing this, we are preparing for the second Fall shoe fitting, which will be held this Saturday, October 27, from 8am-11:30am. We have purchased approximately 350 pairs of shoes to fill in what was given out at the last fitting. All brothers are welcome to attend. Please stop in and see what it's all about.

Until next time, Happy Halloween to all, and stay safe during hunting season, and be cautious on the wet and icy roads to come, so we may see one another during the next month.

Fraternally yours,

VM Ronny Aasterud 32° KCCH

THE RITE CORNER



“Spreading Masonry”
David L. Nielsen, S.G.I.G.

I recently attended the Montana Masonic Youth Convention in Great Falls on October 19th. The Convention is a combined event with the Montana DeMolays and Job’s Daughters. To me it seemed that the attendance was higher than in previous ones that I had attended. This is a good thing. One cannot help but to take in the energy that flows from these young adults as they combine impressive ceremonies with fun. The bonus to me for the visit was the announcement and ceremonial investiture on Brother Dan Massey with the collar signifying his recent election to the Supreme Council for DeMolay International. Brother Dan, of course, is an active member of Billings Valley and can be seen especially in helping serving dinners at Scottish Rite events. Congratulations to Dan are in order and please tell him so when you next see him.

Dan enjoys Scottish Rite Masonry but does not limit his Masonry to one organization. I have seen him at blue lodge events and working with DeMolay and Job’s Daughters. Dan is just one example of Scottish Rite brethren that I encounter at other Masonic events. This is the essence of Masonry, especially Scottish Rite Masonry. We need to be out, seen and active as Scottish Rite Masons in other Masonic and public venues. The power of Masonry is not just attending the meetings of one Masonic organization. It is in spreading the brotherly love and affection to brothers in the blue lodge, working with Masonic youth and in promoting our philanthropies such as the Language Clinics. I am proud to report that when I visit a Valley I see many brothers who are actively engaged in multi-Masonry. They enjoy the fuller enrichment of our fraternities.

On the other hand, I encounter brothers who are focused only one Masonic organization, if one, at best. This is unfortunate since they may be losing out on the full reward of the Masonic experience, and the other Masonic bodies from which they are absent are deprived of knowing them as brothers. I know this takes time to attend all the Masonic organizations to which we may belong but the more that we can take in, the more satisfying our total Masonic experience will be.

The other benefit I have found in attending meetings of DeMolay, Job’s Daughters and Rainbow for Girls, is the lessons they teach in their initiations and installations. The lessons are what we as Masons learn in our blue lodges and in Scottish Rite. Our Masonic lessons are not exclusive to blue lodge and Scottish Rite—they are shared in other Masonic organizations. When you visit, listen to the lessons that are expressed with different words but which are deeply Masonic. This is not surprising since the other Masonic bodies were created by Masons who wrote their rituals. You will gain more insight through this search for Masonic teachings found in the rituals of other Masonic bodies.

I have found that not all that I want to learn from Masonry can be found in any one single Masonic body. I have found different nuggets of Masonry in all the Masonic bodies that I encounter but my job is to absorb and synthesize them into meaning for me.

Though we might have different ranks and titles in Scottish Rite, remember that the highest degree is still that of a Master Mason. Remember to attend blue lodge as often as you can. You need them, and they need you.



The Clinic received \$750.00 from the Interstate Bank Charity Fund. Jered Scherer, Dave Armstrong, and Paul Fischer attended the ceremony. This donation is much appreciated by the Board .

SCOTTISH RITE LANGUAGE CLINIC

www.ritecarebillings.org

The Pumpkin Banquet on Oct 13 was well attended. There were 200 in attendance and I know everyone had a good time. Close to \$27,00.00 was received with more to come in and not all the expenses are accounted for.

A special thank you to Janelle Brown, our fund raiser for all the effort she put in and to all the volunteers who help. Also thank you to the businesses and individuals who donated items for the silent and live auctions and other items donated. A special thanks to Vicki Andre for putting the program together , Nick Tyler MC and Syl Schied as auctioneer. The Pumpkin Patch Party was well attended and appreciate all the efforts of Jason Smith, other volunteers and De Molay and Jo Daughters for helping.

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Jered H. Scherer
Chairman

365 club donations
For the month of October

Pete & Leslie Boothroyd
Bailee Velasquez
Nancy Rice
Therapy Connections
Kim Stein
LeRoy Summers
Vicki & John Andre
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TC & Jo Chatman
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Syl Schied

365 Club is available year round, if you were unable to attend the Banquet you may contribute anytime throughout the year



**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 November 16

Christmas is coming and so is
the cookie jar fundraiser

December 5th after the dinner



The fundraiser is another very sweet way to support our Speech and Language Clinic. To prepare, may I suggest two jars; one with cookies and another with money so you have a better chance to out bid your rival bidder. All in fun of course and all for the Clinic and the ones whom the clinic serves.



General Info

Officer list for 2018

LODGE OF PERFECTION

Elected

VM -----Ronny Aasterud, 32° KCCH
SW----- Sean McDuffee, 32° KCCH
JW-----Peter Boothroyd, 32°
Orator----- Dan Jobrack, 32°
Almoner ----- David Bergeson, 33°
Secretary -----TC Chatman, 32°
Treasurer----- David Armstrong, 33°

Appointed

Prelate -----Michael J. Welton, 32° KCCH
Master of Ceremonies- Chris Rubich, 32° KCCH
Expert -----Nate Frickel, 32°
Asst. Expert -----David Schantz, 32°
Captain of the Host- - John J. Hugdahl, 32°
Tyler -----David W. Curtis, 32°
Organist ----- John Baber, 32° KCCH

ROSE CROIX

Wise Master ----- Ron Swenson, 32°
SW -----Chris Rubich 32°, KCCH
JW -----Bobby W. Snider, 32°
Orator -----Dan Jobrack, 32°

COUNCIL OF KADOSH

Commander -----David Schantz, 32°
1st Lt Commander - - -John Hugdahl, 32°
2nd Lt Commander - - - David W. Curtis, 32°
Orator -----Nate Frickel, 32°

CONSISTORY

Master of Kadosh - - -Michael J. Welton, 32°, KCCH
Prior -----Dan Jobrack, 32°
Preceptor -----Chris Rubich, 32° KCCH
Minister of State - - -Wally Hall, 32°

Some 47 members still owe
for 2017. If you are one of
these: **Do something soon!!!**



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/>

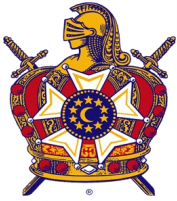
Click on Beartooth district
Scroll down to middle of page and click on "Scheduled Events
Calendar"

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

Thank you for your participation!
Fraternally yours,

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FR: Dean Alban, Supreme Council
PLEASE NOTE:
“ALL BROTHERS NOT
PAID UP-TO-DATE WILL
BE AUTOMATICALLY
REMOVED FROM
ACTIVE STATUS BE-
FORE THE PER CAPITA
ASSESSMENT IS
PROCESSED.”



Magic City Chapter



Happy Holidays!! That is probably a little premature, but since Halloween is the Massey Families' favorite Holiday and the rest will be on us before we know it, it seems fitting. The DeMolay year is continuing to move along, with October being the busiest month of the year. We just finished the 5th Annual Montana Masonic Youth Convention in Great Falls. Montana DeMolay and Job's Daughters met for their annual convention. This event just keeps getting bigger every year. Every Chapter and Bethel in Montana was represented, as were visitors from Alberta Canada. Brother Joe St. John for Ross C. Jensen Chapter in Bozeman was elected State Master Councilor for Montana DeMolay. Magic City Chapters own Brother Aaron Lakko was Elected Deputy State Master Councilor and Brother Wyatt Walker was appointed State Communications Director. The Montana Rainbow Girls also held their Fall Fling in Great Falls and attended some of the ceremonies and were present in force for the Grand Ball. It was truly great to see over a hundred Masonic Youth interacting and having a great time. The Legion of Honor was conferred upon Most Worshipful Grand Master of Montana Jeff Harada, Brother Michael Welton and Brother Darren Massey. Magic City Chapter Advisors, Dad Heath Lakko and Mom Jamie Lakko received the Cross of Honor for their tireless work with Magic City Chapter and the Montana State Chapter and Brother Danny Johnson, Past State Master Councilor, received his Majority in a tear jerker of a ceremony. Many competitions were held, and our membership really stepped up to compete at an extremely high level. It was a great and humbling experience that will keep our members talking and enthused through the next year.

Remember, we believe that everyone has untold potential; therefore, DeMolay provides opportunities to develop character and leadership skills through practice and example in a safe, empowering environment, where someone can both fail and succeed at the same time. 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 benefit too

Thanks,
Dan Massey



CONTRIBUTIONS

MANY THANKS TO THOSE WHO CONTRIBUTE TO SCOTTISH RITE PROGRAMS

Language Clinic Operating Fund

Jered Scherer family
In memory of Bonnie

Dr. Hurd

Donald E. Kimmel

Raymond A. Frank

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Joseph R. Moore

Raymond A. Frank

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Linda S. Egelhoff

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Raymond A. Frank

Donald E. Kimmel

MEAL MENU BY RED FEZ CATERING

MENU

Turkey Rice Soup
Relish Tray
Roast Turkey & Dressing
Mashed potato's and Gravy
Steamed Carrots & Squash
Rolls and Butter
Cranberry Sauce
Coffee or Hot Tea
Pumpkin Pie/Whipped Cream

Alternate Menu

Baked Cod



**Recruitment
Breakfast
2nd Saturday
7:30 AM**

**Western Emporium
On King Ave West**

Please join us!

Dinner Reservation
Required
259-6683

**By 10 AM MONDAY
before Dinner**

**You will be billed for
reservations made.**

THANK YOU

**Walk-ins accepted
only after all those
with reservations.**

Important notice Remember!

**If your dues card is
2017 you will be
dropped at the 1st
of the year. You can
pay your dues on
line or send to the
office**

Normal Attire



Formal Attire



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Commander

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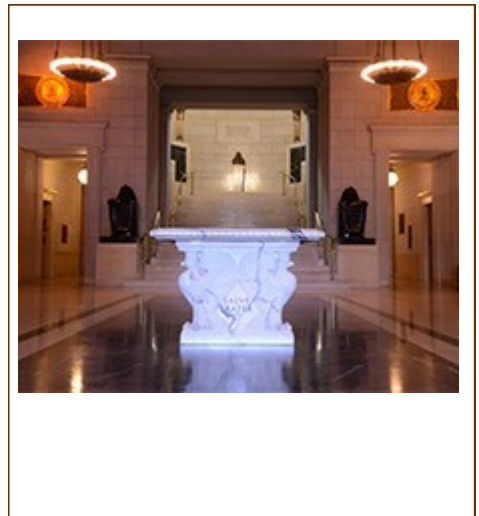
Consistory

Master of Kadosh

Michael Welton, 32° KCCH

NOVEMBER EVENTS AT THE RITE

- 06 Clinic Bd - Noon
- 07 Exec Meeting - 6:00PM
Dinner - 6:30 PM
Election of Officers
- 10 Breakfast 7:30 AM
- 16 KOSA 5:00 PM
- 30 Honourmens Lunch



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