

March 2007 Update:

Scottish Rite News for the Valley of Dallas

Our first evening Stated Meeting in February was a great success. There was almost double the usual attendance at the meeting. We had 17 Brethren present who had never been to a Stated Meeting before.

The Venerable Master, Brother Buck Howard, 32° presented a DVD of “The Ring Song” performed by Brother Howie Damron, 32°. The song along with the pictures accompanying it was very well received by those attending. “The Ring Song” was first presented to us at the Scottish Rite Leadership Conference in Houston last year.

Before closing the Stated Meeting, a synopsis of the 4th degree was presented utilizing a Power Point presentation narrated by Brother Mike King, 32° KCCH. This presentation was also well received. Dallas Scottish Rite is attempting to gain more participation by the Brethren by having a program of one form or another during each Stated Meeting. The program for March will be the presentation of a synopsis of the 5th Degree. April Stated Meeting promises to be an open meeting during which our Ladies are invited to sit in on a Prologue to the degrees of Freemasonry.

March 17 is the First day of the Spring Reunion honoring Brother James F. Chambers, Jr., 33°. The Second day of the Reunion is March 24 and the One day class is scheduled for April 7. Let’s all get busy bringing in petitions for this Reunion. Remember, Membership is the Key to our success as a Fraternity.

The Membership Banquet, held on February 23 was a great success even though we were a bit short on attendance. The Red Fez Membership Committee and the North Dallas Membership Committee tied for first place Committee for the second year in a row. Each of these committees had fourteen new members for 2006. First Place individual honors went to Don Whan, 33°, from Wichita Falls and Gene Conley, 32° KCCH, from the East Texas Area. These Brothers brought in eight new members each. Following closely on their tails was Kevin Clark, 32°, who brought in seven new members. Everyone keep up the good work. If we each would bring in one new member each year, we could quickly be back to the glory days of the '50s and '60s.

The Ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal is scheduled for March 22, 2007. Honorable Richard E. Davies, 32° KCCH, Wise Master of the Dallas Chapter of Rose Croix, has a great program set up for this event. The event is open to your Ladies and guests, although Reservations are Required.