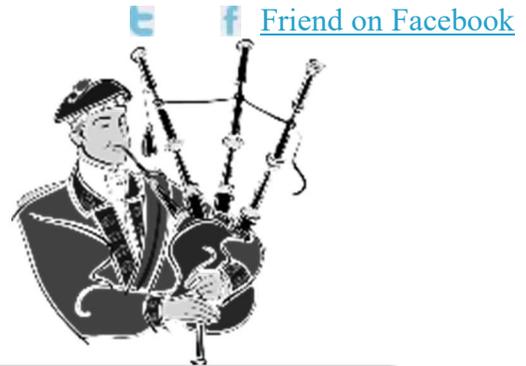


# Valley of New Bern Bagpipe



## Feast of Kadosh & Ring Ceremony

### **Upcoming Events**

#### **LOP Meeting**

February 13, 7:30PM

March 13, 7:30PM.

April 10, 7:30PM

Join us for dinner at 6:30PM

#### **Spring Reunion**

March 24 & 25

#### **Ceremony of Remembrance and**

#### **Renewal**

April 10, 2017

## *Allegiance . . .*

The several Bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, sitting in the Valley of New Bern, Orient of North Carolina, acknowledge and yield Allegiance to the Supreme Council of the Thirty-Third Degree, the Mother Supreme Council of the World, whose see is at Charleston, in the State of South Carolina, of which Ronald A. Seale, 33°, is Grand Commander, 33°, William B. Brunk, 33°, is SGIG in North Carolina, and William L. Dill, 33°, is Chairman, Inspector

General's Advisory Conference  
of the Scottish Rite Bodies in the  
Valley of New Bern, Orient of  
North Carolina.



Brethren, The Valley of New Bern celebrated the Feast of Kadosh on Monday evening, January 21st, at 7:00 PM. The program for the evening

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was our first semi-annual Ring and Patent Ceremony. All of our candidates from the Fall Reunion were present and formally presented their 14th Degree Ring and Scottish Rite Patent. After the Ring Ceremony, the members and guests retired to the Fellowship Hall and participated in the Feast of Kadosh. It was an impressive evening and the Valley received many favorable comments from both members and guests.

The next scheduled Ring Ceremony will be after the Spring Reunion during the Feast of the Consistory tentatively scheduled for Saturday, June 3, 2017. Please mark your calendars and attend this impressive ceremony for our newly elected brethren.

## LOP Meeting

Our regularly scheduled Lodge of Perfection Meeting is: Monday, February 13th, @7:30PM with the meal beginning @6:30PM. The meal will be prepared by the Chapter of Rose Croix. We will be presenting the 6th Degree, Confidential Secretary, for the evening's program. The officers of the Lodge of Perfection will do the formal opening. Now would be an excellent time to refresh your memory on the Confidential Secretary degree.

## Spring Reunion

The Spring Reunion is scheduled for March 24 & 25, 2017. Now is the time to remind and line up your candidates. Degree Masters please contact your cast members and let the Director of the Work know if there are any scheduling problems. We would love to see the Fall Reunion Class back with their Mentors so that they can get a better appreciation of the degrees they went through in the fall.

## Silent Auction

As you know, we are a few weekends away from our 2017 Spring Reunion. It is the weekend of March 24th and 25th, at The York Rite Building on Glenburnie Boulevard in New Bern.

We are planning on doing a “silent auction” just as we have in the past, to help with our general operating expenses.

I am sending you this email soliciting items for the auction. We’d like for the items to have a value of about \$50. You can donate these items as individuals or as Scottish Rite Clubs.

Also, we are going to go back to auctioning baked goods. So if you would like to do that, then bring freshly baked items such as cookies, cakes, pies, etc.... Any baked goods brought on Friday will be auctioned on Friday, and any baked goods brought on Saturday will be auctioned on Saturday.

We’d like to have the items here no later than the first thing Friday morning of March 24. It would be nice if you could get them here earlier so we could have the table set up when everybody arrives on Friday morning. You could send them by someone coming this way or mail them to the Temple if you live far away and don’t have anyone coming this way. As an alternative, I will make myself available to pick up the items, if needed. Regardless, if you could contact me with what you’re bringing, I can have the sheet for bidding set up when you get here with the item(s). Thanks for your support. I’m looking forward to the Spring Reunion and seeing you again.

Fraternally,

Jay Collins, 32 KCCH  
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**Reminder!**

Brethren, the old building has been transferred and moving day is quickly arriving. We need to dispose of the contents of the building in an expeditious manner. There are many items that may be of sentimental or historical value to members of the Valley. If you are particularly interested in any of the items in the building, the Valley would like to make them available to members prior to general sale. Please call the Valley Secretary (252-638-4031) with your requests or offers.

## Ambassador Program

The Valley Membership Retention Team is in dire need of Ambassadors. The Scottish Rite Ambassador serves a liaison between the Scottish Rite and our Masonic Lodges and Scottish Rite Districts. The work is easy, rewarding, and helps both the Scottish Rite and our Masonic Lodges. If you have a couple of minutes a month that you can devote for Masonic purposes please contact our Ambassador Director , Brother Aaron Morris (252-772-5578) for details. Your efforts will be greatly appreciated.

## Rite Care Fundraiser

The date has been set for our annual Rite Care Chicken Dinner Fund Raiser. Please mark Friday, May 12, for participation in our annual fund raiser. We will be cooking chicken plates as usual, at a cost of \$7.00/plate. Plates will be sold from 11AM to 2PM. We will deliver in the New Bern area and a dine-in option will be available at the York Rite Temple.

Brethren, ten (10) tickets will be mailed out to each member at the beginning of March. This is our only fund raiser for Rite Care. These funds go directly to support our Rite Care Clinic at East Carolina University. Rite Care treats speech and language disorders in the children of Eastern North Carolina. We are very lucky to have such an excellent facility in our geographical area. It has made a significant impact in the lives of Children in Eastern North Carolina. Selling or purchasing ten tickets is not too much to ask to support and maintain such a worthwhile

program.

Each year the task of figuring out how many chickens to prepare becomes increasingly difficult. If you are just sending a donation please mark your letter as such and if you are picking up plates let us know that also.

Preparing too many plates is wasteful and decreases the funds available to our children.

## *Editor*

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