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## In Memoria

## **Deceased**

	Bro. Willie C. Davis	09/19/11	Bro. Bobby R. May	04/23/1
	Bro. John A. Liollio	10/20/11	Bro. James C. Bragan	05/14/1
٠	Bro. Gilbert L. Kimmons	02/22/12	Hon. Charles H. Cobb	05/24/1
	Bro. Kenneth H. Vardeman	03/13/12	Bro. Frontis W. Sherrill Jr.	05/28/1
	Bro. William H. Johnson		Bro. Olen G. Giles	06/03/1
	Bro. Robert J. Hooper	03/25/12	Ill. Harry W. Seibert	06/06/1
	Bro. Jent P. Mitchell Jr.	03/30/12	Bro. Richard A. Davis	06/08/1
	Bro. James O. Weeks	04/06/12	Bro. Leonard E. Clark	06/11/1
	Bro. Richard L. Comstock	04/09/12	Bro. Joe W. Stanton Sr.	06/18/1

#### Sickness and Distressed

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Mrs. Pat Kennedy			
Mrs. Christina Kickliter			
Mrs. Zelda Kuchenbrod			
Mrs. Boots Martin			
Ill. Lyle Peterson			
Bro. Richard Robb			
Mrs. Joyce Smith			
Hon. William Sutton			
Bro. Henry White			
Bro. Billy & Charlene Williams			

Please remember our Brothers during their sickness and distress. Privacy issues prevent us from printing addresses and telephone numbers here.

Please contact the General Secretary's office for more information.

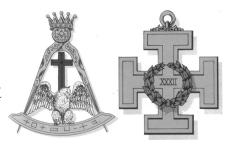


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## PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE'S RAMBLINGS

Ill. Harry C. Kuchenbrod

This is an article I never thought I would write.

I always thought that I would retire and Ill. Harry W. Seibert would assist my replacement in accomplishing his duties as the Personal Representative in the Valley of Pensacola. Instead, the office staff and I have been trying to figure out the myriad duties Ill. Seibert performed for this Valley.

Harry William Seibert, 33°, I.G.H., (Harry "S") was appointed to the position of General Secretary on May 5, 2003, by the late Robert L. Goldsmith, 33°, Sovereign Grand Inspector General in Florida. I came on board in June of that year. Little did we know what lay ahead in the next nine years?

We attended our first Council of 400 meeting in August of 2003 with Ill. James Holland, the Personal Representative. Upon our return to Pensacola, Ill. Holland instructed us to set up a telephone tree and the Double Eagle award program. A member of the Valley donated the funds to purchase the telephone tree and Harry "S" proceeded to install it and get it up and running. Getting the Double Eagle program up and running was a labor intensive process but Harry "S" persisted and as a result, the Double Eagle program is the most successful program we have in the Valley. The Pensacola Chapter of Knights of St. Andrew received their charter in December, 2003 when Inspector Goldsmith made his annual visit to our Valley.

In 2004, we attended our first Supreme Council Leadership Conference. We were introduced to "Sentinel" and informed that the Supreme Council had adopted this database system to track and maintain the membership program. The Executive Committee agreed to purchase "Sentinel" and Harry "S" installed it on our office computer. We were one of the first Valley's in Florida to be operating with "Sentinel."

One of the highlights of the 2006 Council of 400 meeting was the presentation of the Legion of Merit medal to Ill. Harry W. Seibert by Ill. Robert L. Goldsmith.

Harry "S" was deeply involved, along with Ill. Gene Booker, in the reclamation project of the Scottish Rite Masonic Center located on Wright St. in downtown Pensacola. After exhausting the Pensacola Scottish Rite Building Association's treasury as well as several grants from the State of Florida, the Executive Committee determined that we could no longer maintain that historic edifice and we should look for a new home for the Valley. In 2008, Harry "S" convinced the Building Association to purchase the York Rite Building on Airport Blvd.; and in March of 2010, Ronald A. Seale, our Sovereign Grand Commander, came to Pensacola to dedicate the newly remodeled Pensacola Masonic Center.

In between the selling of the Scottish Rite Masonic Center and the purchase of the York Rite building, Harry "S" designed and set up our first Valley web site.

Anyone who knew Ill. Harry W. Seibert also knew that he loved Freemasonry. He was an active Blue Lodge Mason: he was the Worshipful Master of Pensacola Lodge #42 in 1984, and the District Deputy Grand Master of District 1 South of the Grand Lodge of Florida in 1985. He was also active in the York Rite Bodies of Pensacola, and a member of Zelica Grotto and Hadji Shrine.

We will miss him, but we will remember him as we continue to utilize all the programs he provided for us during his tenure as our General Secretary.

## FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

Ill. Kurt P. Larson, General Secretary - Pro Tem

On June 15th at the annual BBQ Sandwich sale, the Valley has proven without a doubt AGAIN, that eating a jumbo BBQ sandwich, a pickle, and a bag of chips improves speech. Well, maybe not directly, but indirectly by helping to fund the Scottish Rite Childhood Language program at Baptist Speech Clinic. This year despite everything working against us, we sold over 900 sandwiches, of which over 350 were delivered. Of course, this was not done without the many volunteers - over 80 people worked Thursday and Friday to make this happen. We witnessed one of the most efficient operations since we established the sandwich sale 13 years ago. Thanks go out to all the volunteers to whom the simple "Thank You" doesn't convey nearly enough of our gratitude for what you have done. While the checks and receipts are still coming in, it is looking like we will be able to present a nice check to the Scottish Rite Foundation of Florida.

As I sit here in this office writing the Secretary's article, I am reminded of the personality of the man I am filling in for. Dynamic, hard-working, energetic, and a host of other adjectives too many to list. Illustrious Harry Seibert will continue to be a legend, and I hope I can do as well. He had a way about him and a certain way of getting things accomplished. He was the epitome of a Navy Chief. Yet, as I was reminded during the BBQ sale, you'll have to stumble through for a while as you work out a routine and learn the "quirks" of the office and organization. So here it is, I have a lot of learning to do, and with your help, I too can help make Scottish Rite better for now and in the future

Officially, as you read this, we are half way through the dues cycle. 143 members of our Valley have not yet paid their 2012 dues. Please, look at the dues card you are currently carrying. If it does not have **2012** on it please send in your \$75.00, or go online at **www.pensacolascottishrite.org** to pay your dues so we can get you back up to date. The Scottish Rite is known throughout the world as *THE* premier Fraternity and those who hold membership are an elite group. Won't you stay with us. It will cost the Valley over \$60.00 if we have to send a reminder to these 143 brethren who are currently in arrears.

Be sure to look at the calendar of events elsewhere in this issue of the Outlook. Plan to attend our upcoming Scottish Rite events. Please don't hesitate to give us your feedback here in the office. I've got a lot to learn and with your help we will continue to do great things.

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#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS** 5:00 PM Executive/Directors Committee Meeting Education & Sandwich Supper 5:30 PM Jul 5 Picnic Social 6:15 PM No Stated Communication Host — Wise Master, Chapter of Rose Croix Jul 17 Surviving Spouse Luncheon 12:00 PM NECSR Club Meeting, Fran's Diner, Molino 6:00 PM CSR Club Meeting, Ryan's, Crestview 6:00 PM Executive/Directors Committee Meeting 5:00 PM Aug 1 Education & Sandwich Supper 5:30 PM KCCH Meeting –Conference Room 5:45 PM KSA Meeting – Library 5:30 PM 6:15 PM Program - Scottish Rite Women's Association Stated Communication Host - Commander, Council of Kadosh Aug 16 NECSR Club Meeting, Fran's Diner, Molino 6:00 PM Aug 21 Monthly Fellowship Luncheon 12:00 PM Aug 23 CSR Club Meeting, Ryan's, Crestview 6:00 PM Executive/Directors Committee Meeting 5:00 PM Education & Sandwich Supper 5:00 PM KCCH Meeting – Conference Room 5:45 PM Sep 6 KSA Meeting – Library 5:30 PM 6:15 PM Program – Masonic Youth/Ring & Patent Honor 25 & 50 Year Members No Stated Communication Host – Master of Kadosh, Consistory Sep 18 Monthly Fellowship Luncheon 12:00 PM Sep 20 NECSR Club Meeting, Fran's Diner, Molino 6:00 PM Sep 27 CSR Club Meeting, Ryan's, Crestview 6:00 PM

## **SURVIVING SPOUSES LUNCHEON**

The Valley of Pensacola will host its annual Surviving Spouse's Luncheon in the dining room of the Pensacola Masonic Center, 189 W. Airport Blvd., Pensacola, FL at Noon on July 17, 2012.

As always, our kitchen crew will prepare a fine lunch and we will have an appropriate program for the occasion.

Please mark your calendar and plan to be with us at Noon on July 17, 2012. Please call the Scottish Rite office (850-494-0801) by the close of business, July 13, 2012, so we will know how many lunches to prepare.

We look forward to seeing you on July 17th.

## **CONGRATULATIONS**

Certificate of Achievement to Michael Phillips on completion of the Master Craftsman program.

## **DID YOU NOTICE?**

Have you noticed the email addresses on the last page of *The Outlook*? If you haven't—take a look. Hon. Phillip Davies has our new website up and running (www.pensacolascottishrite.org). And with it comes a change in the email addresses. While the old ones work for now, over time we will be phasing out to the new addresses which should remain as long as we have the website—no matter which internet service provider we use.

## SCOTTISH RITE WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Ingrid Crooke, President

It is with a heavy heart that I am writing this quarterly input for *The Outlook*. The Pensacola Masonic Center will not be the same without Ill. Harry Seibert, long-time General Secretary. Our sympathy goes to his family; and the loss of Hon. Charlie Cobb will not go unnoticed in the dining room either.

We have donated some belated "Easter" type baskets to the Baptist Hospital Children's Speech Clinic. These were thankfully accepted and used as reward treats for the children. We also have donated 15 new kitchen towels to our kitchen as the beginning of replacements for worn out towels. The ladies have gracefully helped with the preparation and sale of BBQ sandwiches at this year's annual fundraiser of the Consistory. We were happy to serve refreshments for another KSA knighting ceremony and to accommodate those who attended the Flag Day ceremony. I learned something though about shopping for baked goods in Pensacola. If you want icing on your cake, you have to be very specific about the color of the icing when you place the order, especially the color blue or it will be automatically navy blue. Those of you attending the Flag Day Ceremony on June 14<sup>th</sup>, do you remember what color of blue icing was on the cupcakes?

Ladies, if you missed the June stated meeting, you missed getting a copy of the drafted By-Laws for the Women's Association. I have asked all members to please make comments; and we will vote on these at our next stated meeting on August 2, 2012. Call me if there are any questions unanswered (492-5272) or send me an email (ingridj@cox.net) and I will reply promptly.

What a nice surprise I found in a Sunday edition of the Pensacola News Journal recently. "Away from the Bay" there were pictures of our own Karen Mick and husband John (Venerable Master of the KSA) during their trip to Arizona. One of the captions read, and I am quoting from the PNJ, "while there, John also visited the Masonic Lodge in Tucson where John Wayne was raised as a Master Mason." It is significant to me that a Pensacola Mason is mentioned in the local newspaper; but also to know that Karen and John really enjoyed their trip.

Finally but not forgotten, the Women's Association is pleased to have as its faithful visitor Mrs. Vera Costello who just received the Volunteer of the Year award at Baptist Hospital. Congratulations, Vera, 500 volunteer hours or more each year for 14 years – truly a fact to be recognized. Vera comes to our dinners with Ill. John Rogers.

## FROM THE COMMANDER KCCH

Hon. Jim Gillis

Planning for our Annual KCCH Dinner has commenced. It is amazing how quickly this event rolls around. Everyone attending last year seemed to have enjoyed the meal and fellowship. Reservations have been procured at Hall's Seafood on Saturday, September 08, 2012 at 6:00 PM. All Knights Commander Court of Honor & Inspector General Honorary members, along with their wives, are invited to attend this fun and enjoyable event. If you are planning to attend — please give Ms. Diane a call at the Valley office for RSVPs. The restaurant folks seem to appreciate if we let them know how many are planning to order from the menu. I hope everyone will be able to attend and have a great time with their Scottish Rite family.

## FROM THE DIRECTOR OF MEMBERSHIP

Ill. Edwin Stewart, Jr.

This year has started out on a sad note. Our Spring Reunion was a great reunion with new degrees and new players. Sadly our one candidate had to be the Exemplar in all the degrees. Then we lost Hon. Charlie Cobb in a tragic auto crash. His funeral was held while many of us were at Grand Lodge. Now we have lost Ill. Harry Seibert to cancer. We will miss Harry and Charlie and think of them every time we attend functions at the Pensacola Masonic Center.

This reminds us of the importance for encouraging Master Masons to join the Scottish Rite and become active, before it's too late. Now is time to get ready for the Fall Reunion (October 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>). Look at the brothers not only in your Lodge but in all the Lodges you visit. Carry a petition with you when you are out of the house and keep your eyes open for Good Masons.

When you attend meetings at the Shrine, Grotto or York Rite, look for working Brothers. They are showing a desire to be part of the Fraternity and desire to be associated with Good Men. If you know a Brother who has dropped out, urge him to reinstate. He only needs to pay his dues for the current year and the Per Capita Tax for the year he was suspended for NPD. We need to keep growing in order to survive. YOU are our eyes when you are away from the Scottish Rite. A good class in the fall will cap off a year that has started out with such sorrow and loss.

## FROM THE VENERABLE MASTER OF KADOSH

Ill. Jon A. Davies

My Brothers, I believe that the 2012 BBQ fundraiser was a great success. With Ill. Fred Hurd, Jr. being absent with his surgery, we may not have a complete accounting for a couple of weeks. As far as I can see, we may have missed our total goal by less than \$400.00.

I would like to personally thank my Chairmen for their due diligence in their assigned tasks: Brother Cris Villanueva and his staff in the kitchen had plenty of hot Beef BBQ and never ran low or out the first time; Illustrious Johnny Gaither for arranging all of the required volunteers for envelope stuffing, flyer handouts, BBQ preparation day, BBQ sale day, clean up after the sale, and the order processing, and expediting of meals; Honorable Jimmie Lindt for being in charge of the drivers for scheduled deliveries; Illustrious Kurt Larson, for being the dining room chairman, and keeping things running smoothly, and on time during the actual sale; Honorable Bennie Bernal and Brother Bobby Kickliter for being the order runners during the sale; and Mrs. Ann Weekly along with Mrs. Sarah L. Davies for handling the money and orders that were coming in the day of the sale.

A special thank you goes to **Illustrious Edwin Stewart, Jr.** for being my right hand man in just about all endeavors pertaining to the sale! He received pricing, counts of inventory required, made list after list, and was a most wonderful and dedicated brother for me and the BBQ sale. Also, Edwin's wife, Bobbie, helped with advance orders for the school district employees and the Fred Levin Law Firm.

And last but not least, thank you to our faithful and dedicated Office Secretary, **Diane Palermo** for her untiring assistance, the entire Kadosh Line who all contributed to the sale in one way or another, and every brother or sister who helped as a volunteer or sent in orders and contributions.

## SCOTTISH RITE FOUNDATION OF FLORIDA, INC. 10 STARS PROGRAM MILLIONAIRES/BILLIONAIRES

Ill. J.D. Epperson

Well my brothers and Sisters, it seems that Summer arrived early again this year. I hope you are all bearing the heat well. Hopefully also our special activities including our Spring Reunion along with the annual BBQ sale went well. Mostly though, my concerns have to do with our support for **The Scottish Rite Foundation of Florida** and its ability to continue support of the **Speech Therapy Clinic** at Baptist Hospital. Our personal support of the entitled activities as shown above, have continued to decline. My friends, we as **Scottish Rite Masons have an obligation to support the Foundation** in the effort to help those children with learning disabilities.

My friends, we must make a better effort in funding the **Foundation** so those children with learning problems can get assistance. Without assistance, these children will most likely never have good paying jobs or will be on public assistance, or both. The titled programs are a way we can help. For further information visit or call the office at 494-0801. Someone there can be of assistance to you.

The names below contributed more than \$2280 since our last report.

Ed Castleberry
Jerry Garner
James Gillis
John Epperson
Jimmy Lindt
Robert McGuire
Harold Moore
Crestview Scottish Rite Club
Bingo Paradise
Dino Alhambra
John Epperson
Louis Leitenberger
Louis Maygarden
James Reed
Roger White

#### Feast of Tishri

Bro. Bobby Kickliter, KSA

The month of October is an important month of celebration for the Lodge of Perfection. In accordance with Scottish Rite observances of the building of the Temple of Solomon, we learn, through legend, that Solomon decreed a great festival to commemorate the completion of the Temple. Even though it was completed in the first month of the Sacred Year, Solomon waited an additional six months when he knew he would find the greatest attendance of Jews in Jerusalem. This seventh month marked the time of the Festival of Sukkoth or the Festival of Tabernacles which began on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the seventh month and lasted for seven days. This is in accordance with a directive from God (Deut 16:13) to commemorate and remember that period of time after the great Exodus during which the Jews wandered the wilderness and lived in huts or temporary structures, or Sukkoth.

This same Feast of Tabernacles was celebrated by the Pilgrims of New England, which evolved to the American celebration of the Day of Thanksgiving. Scottish Rite Masonry observes this day in remembrance of all of the mercies and bounties that the Supreme Architect has blessed us with. It is a time of rejoicing, and yet a time for humble adoration of Him, without Whom there would be none.

And so! my Brothers! Come and celebrate with us at our regular stated meeting date, October 4, 2012. We look to have a fine meal, fine fellowship, and a ceremony of observance put on by our Tenebrae Team and guest speaker.

