

Scottish Rite of Freemasonry  
Valley of Pensacola

September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017

*Lodge Room*

Master of Kadosh Bobby Kickliter, 32° KCCH, welcomed all and thanked them for attending. The KSA Color Guard presented colors and lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of our Country. Hon. James Gazaway gave the invocation. Hon. Kickliter introduced the Pensacola Consistory line officers.

*Dinner served in the Dining Room*

*After Dinner*

Bro. Alex Carambas, and the culinary staff were recognized for serving a delicious dinner.

The Rainbow Girls were recognized for their service to the Scottish Rite.

The members were directed to the Lodge Room for a Stated Communication. Ladies adjourned to the conference room for the SRWA meeting.

*Lodge Room*

Master of Kadosh, Bobby Kickliter, 32°, KCCH opened the Pensacola Consistory with the following officers present:

Prior – Cris L. Villanueva, 32°, KCCH  
Preceptor – Joel K. Fairbanks, 32°, KSA  
Chancellor – Thornton L. Rogers, 33°  
Minister of State – Carl G. Kirtley, 32°, KCCH  
Prelate – Kenneth K. Eichorn, 32°, KCCH  
Master of Ceremonies – Jerry A. Sumlin, 32°, KSA  
Expert – Gene P. Bodkin, 32°, KSA  
Assistant Expert – William R. Jacobs, 33°  
Captain of the Guard – James A. Salisbury, 32°, KCCH  
Tyler – Kurt P. Larson, 33°

Hon. Kickliter called upon **Master of Ceremonies** to invite the Brethren who have had a Birthday since last we met to rise and be recognized. Several rose to the occasion.

Hon. Kickliter called upon **Master of Ceremonies**, to read the names of Brethren who have passed since last we met. A moment of silence was called by the Master of Kadosh for our deceased Brethren as well as our troops in harm's way.

Hon. Kickliter called upon **Master of Ceremonies**, to invite all visiting Brethren from other Valleys and Orients to rise and give their name and Valley/Orient affiliation. David Babarisi, Ben Guillard of Pamana City and one other whose name could not be heard were visiting.

Hon. Kickliter waived the reading of the minutes of the last Stated Communication as well as the reading of the minutes of the Executive Committee held March 2, 2017. He then informed the craft that the Executive Committee Meeting Minutes will be posted on the valley web site ([pensacolascottishrite.org](http://pensacolascottishrite.org)) in the future as well as providing hard copies to anyone requesting the same at a future date.

Hon. Kickliter, called for applications for membership. We have one for membership – Jonah DC Greigo.

Hon. Kickliter then called for communications to be known to the Brethren. A letter from the SGIG and Grand Master of Masons in Florida regarding Masonic Communications with Cuban members were read. (See Attached)

## Standing Committee Reports

Bro. Kevin Riley gave a report that we have raised the funds for the speaker system in the dining room. Bro. Riley will give status report at the next stated meeting with details for installation.

Hon. James Salisbury then gave the **Sickness & Distress report** (copy attached).

Hon. Kickliter called on Bro. Salisbury for a **Membership report**. We have many new master masons in the area. Help us guide them to an outstanding Masonic experience. Remember we are the University of Freemasonry. If you want to know more about Masonry – this is the place.

Hon. Kickliter called on Bro. Joel Fairbanks to give the **VMAP report**. The VMAP program is going well. We would like to have our report ready by October. We have some minor details to complete but we would like this in the hands of the SGIG at his visit.

Hon. Kickliter asked for input on what the membership wanted to see out of their Valley. Ideas included:

- Camera and Televisions in the Dining Room so that everyone could see the speaker and/or PowerPoints or video presentations. This would be a great opportunity if we wanted to have a Valley function for Super Bowl.
- Improve the theatrical quality of the Lodge Room by adding LED lighting for the degrees. Ill. Larson also recommended that we think not only “wash lights” but LED spots to create the illusion of night Lodges, burning desert sands, etc.
- Sponsoring or helping out at a 5K run.
- Putting together a commercially produced PSA or commercial.
- Have a “tri-Valley” or regional reunion. Put on all 29 degrees.
- Sponsor the Orient of Louisiana’s first three degree teams for a presentation in our area.
- Having a booth at the Pensacola Interstate Fair.
- Continuing Bellringers for the Salvation Army.
- Showing up to support the “Sea No Limits” Fishing Rodeo for kids with disabilities.
- Working the Polls during elections.

Hon. Kickliter then called for Old or **Unfinished Business**.

- Gene Bodkin reported he is still collecting cans for the Almoners Fund.

Hon. Kickliter then called for **New Business**.

- At the Council of 400 meeting in July – the Valley learned:
  - That the Valley of Lake Worth is dealing with mold and a roof that needs replacement. The expected costs is over \$100,000. The Valley of Pensacola has contributed to this replacement.
  - The Valley of Orlando has sold its building for asking price and will be moving to Winter Park Lodge in September.
  - The question was asked who will be replacing Ill. Goehrig at the end of his term in 2018. He said that you need to ask the Sovereign Grand Commander and all the rest is rumor.
- At the Biennial Session of the Supreme Council:
  - Ill. Ronald A. Seale will not be seeking re-election in 2019. This will be his last term.
  - Two retirements were announced effective December 31, 2017. They are the SGIG in Minnesota and the SGIG in Florida.
  - Several rule changes are in the works including those regarding suspensions, re-instatements, and affiliations.
- Ill. Jimmy Lindt informed those present if they hadn’t been to the Education and Sandwich Supper they are missing an outstanding program. James Gazaway, Bobby Kickliter and before them Kurt Larson have done an outstanding job of presenting the inner workings of the craft. These meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month at 5:30 PM.

- Hon. Cris Villanueva indicated he would like to reinstitute the Chili Fundraiser. All present indicated they would support such an effort.
- Hon. Lloyd Magruder said that he would do the Red Beans and Rice if he had some help. This too people said they would participate in.
- The question was asked if we should have the Red and Black Auction. It was decided that this was a good event and should be held every three to five years.

Hon. Kickliter called upon the Personal Representative for any comments. The Personal Representative told us we had plenty of room and lots of chairs in the Lodge Room. Come join us for an excellent reunion.

Hon. Kickliter called upon Bro. Jerry Sumlin, Venerable Master of the Pensacola Lodge of Perfection, Bro. Alan Cox, Wise Master, Pensacola Chapter of Rose Croix, and Hon. James Gazaway, Commander, Pensacola Council of Kadosh for any comments they felt necessary. All thanked the Brothers for their help in making this Valley so successful.

Hon. Kickliter called upon the Prior and Preceptor for comments proper to be made. He then opened the floor to any member present.

Hon. Kickliter called upon the Preceptor to announce the box of Fraternal Assistance would be passed and to contribute generously to those who have less than we enjoy today.

After closing remarks from the East, the Consistory was closed at 8:10 P.M. Peace and harmony prevailed.



Kurt P. Larson, 33°  
General Secretary  
Valley of Pensacola



James A. Durham, Jr., 33°, PGM  
Personal Representative  
Valley of Pensacola