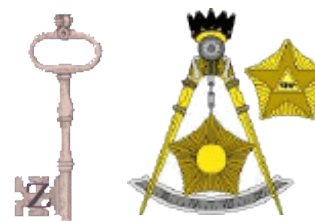


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“Well Done, Good and Faithful Brother”

Bro. Bruce H. Boyle	5/9/2020
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Bro. Louis B. Lamolinara	3/9/2020
Bro. Douglas W. Mayne	1/3/2020
Bro. James D. Redmond	5/7/2020

### The Scottish Rite Creed

Human progress is our cause, liberty of thought our supreme wish, freedom of conscience our mission and guarantee of equal rights to all people everywhere our ultimate goal.

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### Notes from the General Secretary Hon. James A. Salisbury, Jr.

As I sit here in my office at the Valley by myself, in a quiet building waiting for the mail to arrive, one has time to reflect. This virus has not been anything we have seen in our life time. It also makes you think about what is important. For myself, family is important, whether that be a blood relative or not. Each one of us will come to our own idea as to what is important to us. I sure do miss the Fellowship that we have as Masons. People talk about no more handshakes or hugs when people greet each other. To me that is part of who we are as Masons. I am sure looking forward to getting back to something close to normal, whatever that may be. I have had the opportunity to call and talk to a lot of our Brothers checking on them, and I encourage all of you to do the same. We are Brothers and Sisters and we must never forget that, it is part of our Obligation.

As I look at the calendar for the year and see all the things we were not able to do, BBQ sale, Meetings, Flag Day...then I look to July 2, 2020, and the Scottish Rite 4<sup>th</sup> of July Cook Out! Let's hope for good weather so we can cook outside and have burgers and dogs and Fellowship! Our August meeting will be the Ladies Program and we will have something special for them.

If you know of any member who needs assistance, please reach out to us. We are here to try and help where we can. You take care of yourselves and stay safe. ✖

### Pensacola Consistory Hon. Oscar Ferrell, Master of Kadosh

### Cancellation of Barbeque Fundraiser

It is with regret that the Valley of Pensacola had to cancel our Barbeque sales fundraiser for the year 2020. This was a corporate decision based on the Corona Virus and its impact on Valley operations.

The BBQ sales fundraiser has been very successful for many years supporting the Scottish Rite Foundation of Florida (Children's Speech and Hearing clinics). As you are aware, the BBQ sales project must be coordinated with several different suppliers as well as the volunteers to make it happen. The time constraints and current situation would make it virtually impossible to have a successful drive.

We need to emphasize and support all remaining fundraisers for the year. I look forward to the time we can continue our meetings at the Center. Be careful and stay safe. ✖

### Notes from the PR Ill. Kurt P. Larson, Personal Representative

Greetings. It feels like decades since we've seen each other. However, moving forward concerning COVID-19, we are searching for the best way to handle the situation. Original plans called "Safer at Home" encouraged people over 60 to stay in and only go out when necessary. It also limited the things we could do as a Fraternity. The new orders and recommendations from the CDC also restricts gatherings to 10 or fewer people. This made it difficult to meet with our members. While some of this hasn't changed, much has...Based on new information, the Pensacola Consistory will remain closed through June. The June Stated Meeting is canceled, lunches are canceled, and the Flag Day ceremonies are canceled.

Effective as soon as possible, the office will return to regular hours Monday-Thursday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm.

Due to the order restricting gatherings to fewer than 10 people and the uncertainty as to when this restriction will be lifted, we are playing much of this by ear. Hard decisions have had to be made, but I, in good conscience, could not live with the idea one of our members put down his earthly tools because we were egotistical to believe it can't happen to us. Even though we are not sick, we can be carriers that could impact the lives and families of our members. We're not spring chickens. After looking at the survey we sent out, our median age is getting younger but we are still above the 70 year mark.

We recognize that our members wish to return to a normal Scottish Rite schedule as soon as it is safe to do so. A phased in reopening plan consistent with CDC and state guidelines will be developed and implemented by the Executive Committee. Due to the fact that this is an evolving and ever-changing process, it is not possible at this time to provide an exact date when the Consistory will once again be open as normal. Just know we are thinking and praying for your well-being.

On a lighter note, the results of the Consistory-wide survey have produced some interesting discussion items. I had planned on delving into them in this newsletter article but the General Secretary says this will be a "light" edition. So hang in there. While we might not be meeting, we are thinking about you, praying for you and hoping you are strong, safe and well taken care of. Here's to the day, we can meet together again, on the level, in our hearts, minds and actions and in the same room. ✖



**Pensacola Rose Croix  
Hon. John Mick, Wise Master**

My Brothers,

As Spring has come and gone and Summer is upon us, seems like it will be awhile before we can again meet at our Valley. So stay SAFE and keep healthy. Look forward to seeing all of you soon. ✖

**Pensacola Council of Kadosh  
Hon. Joel Fairbanks, Commander**

**Is it Really Hurricane Season Again!**

Well, if this year has not been chaotic enough, today as I write this article, it is the 3<sup>rd</sup> of June and the third day into our Hurricane Season with a third tropical storm already in the Gulf of Mexico. I don't know about the rest of you, but I can't wait for 2020 to get behind us. With the Covid-19 lock down that has hampered our Valley's activities since the Spring Reunion, cancellation of Grand Lodge, and the 2020 campaign ads in full swing (not to mention all of the stories breaking on the nightly news), it's enough to make you want to hide under the covers. You could sit home and watch TV, but that has been anything but calming. So, I have secluded myself at home and escaped into books. Despite our modern technological wonders, there is still something familiar and comforting with curling up with a good book. I have been reading various Masonic journals that are still being written and sent out to our members, but I have also been reading a lot more history. From rereading "Born in Blood," which was the basis of Dan Brown's "DaVinci Code," to books about the black plague. Yeah, I know, light reading considering our current circumstances. But history has a lot to teach us about the resilience of the human spirit and the need to deepen our faith in Divinity. It reminds me of the passage, "This too shall pass," and I believe that we will be stronger once we get on the other side of these recent hardships and challenges.

No doubt many of you have also spent time reading as an escape as well as for pleasure and can attest to the importance of reading. I guess that this would be a good time to remind you all that the Pensacola Valley maintains an excellent library of Masonic books as well as a variety of other history books. The library is Your library and is still open and available to you during these times. Please call the Valley's secretary to verify the hours of operation and let them know that you'd like to come in, but feel free to come in and browse your library and check out a book. Also, since the next issue of the "Outlook" will probably come out after the September meeting, please remember that in September we will again host our annual Book Drive for the Valley's library. So if you come across a good Masonic book that you enjoyed, rather than sticking it on a shelf to collect dust, why not donate the book to the Valley's library so that others can also enjoy it. You can bring your book or donation to the September meeting or drop it off at the Valley's office at your con-

venience. It's because of your brothers who have previously donated books or funds for the library that the Valley is able to host such a diverse and excellent collection of books for all of us. Thank you all in advance for your donations and support of your Valley's library. ✖

**Scottish Rite Women's Assoc.  
Lois Thiergart, President**

Hello wonderful Scottish Rite Ladies! My hope is that you have stayed safe and healthy during this very scary virus. Otto and I are well, and we hope to see some of you at the July cook out at our Scottish Rite building.

In August, a program has been planned, by the men, but we will be at the head table. I would like for the ladies to do a raffle in August because it has been so long since we have had one. I will wear a mask!!

Stay safe, healthy, and happy. ✖

**A Note from our new Treasurer  
Hon. Bobby Kickliter**

Brothers,

Since taking over as Valley Treasurer, I've had a lot of learning to do regarding the details of the Valley's finances. I owe a debt of gratitude to Ill. Roger White, who has guided me through this transition process.

I've been studying the books for almost 6 months now and while everything is in good order, we do need to re-institute an old tradition that was alive and well when I first became a Scottish Rite Mason. There used to be several fundraisers that were conducted by the Lodge, Chapter, and Council bodies; namely, meals like Chili, Red Beans and Rice, and the like. I strongly urge our incoming officers for 2021 to re-institute such fundraisers in next year's calendar.

On a positive note, many of you have noticed that since the start of the quarantine efforts instituted by our government in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the stock market and various elements of our economic structure has taken a proverbial 'nose-dive.' I am happy to announce that our losses with regards to our investments, both in the perpetual membership and our operational investments, have only seen an approximate 8% total loss as opposed to the market standard of 12% from February 20 to today. We are recovering our losses quickly as well.

Thank you all and I look forward to serving you in the years to come. ✖



**Notes from Supreme Council regarding 2021 dues.**

New dues amount for Valley of Pensacola, per capita \$30, total 2021 dues—\$126.

**A few quick notes:**

**For Members:** new dues year cards i.e. **2021 Dues cards** will be mailed directly to the Members along with their 2021 August roll over dues notices.

Please update the address information at the Valley in Sentinel for any Member who reports he has not received his expected 2021 Dues notice and 2021 Dues card as of the end of September 2020.

We request that your Members contact the **Valley** directly to request any 2021 Dues cards deemed lost in transit. The Valley Secretary will then place a card reprint request and the reprinted card will be mailed to the Valley.

Additionally, we encourage Members to set up their online Scottish Rite Member account so they may log-in, update their personal info, and if they want, may pay dues this way from anywhere.

If your Members would like assistance in setting up their online login credentials for the **Scottish Rite Member portal**, please contact **Judy Fletcher** at the House of The Temple, [JFletcher@scottishrite.org](mailto:JFletcher@scottishrite.org)

Judy can be reached at (202) 777-3114. Judy can assist Members in inputting Valley payment(s) via the online portal.

Scottish Rite Website: <https://scottishrite.org/>

This link takes you directly to the Member Portal login page: <https://scottishrite.org/login/>

**Members** can also call the Pensacola Valley office, **850-494-0801**, for any assistance with the member portal or paying their dues by credit card. ✖

**Scottish Rite Family:** Since we were unable to have our 2020 BBQ Sandwich Fundraiser this year, which raises funds for our Speech and Hearing Clinic at Baptist Hospital, you can do your part when your 2021 Dues Notice arrives later in the Fall. Just enter a donation amount in the Childhood LangClinic box while paying your 2021 dues. We help a lot of children overcome speech and language problems through funding of our Scottish Rite clinic. ✖



**Masonic Corner**


**Resuming in July 2020**—Fellowship Breakfast, Ensley 278, biscuits & sausage gravy - every second Wednesday of the month, 7:30 a.m.

Please view the message from the Sovereign Grand Commander at [www.BEAFreemason.org](http://www.BEAFreemason.org).

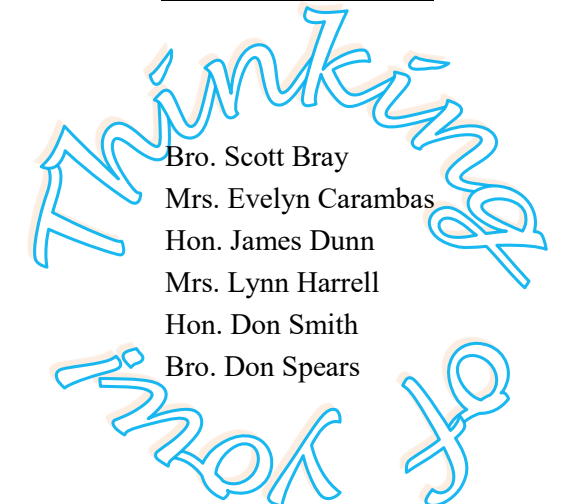


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**2020 Calendar of Events**

Date	Event	Time
Jul 2	Cook Out – Independence Day	5:00 PM
		
Aug 5	Education & Sandwich Supper	5:30 PM
Aug 6	Executive Meeting	4:30 PM
	KCCH Meeting – Conference Room	5:30 PM
	KSA Meeting – Library	5:45 PM
	Invocation followed by Dinner	6:15 PM
	Program – Scottish Rite Women's Assoc	
	KCCH Honor Guard	
	Host – Commander, Council of Kadosh	
Aug 27	Knights of Saint Andrew Meeting	6:00 PM
Sep 2	Education & Sandwich Supper	5:30 PM
Sep 3	Executive Meeting	4:30 PM
	KCCH Meeting – Conference Room	5:30 PM
	KSA Meeting – Library	5:45 PM
	Invocation followed by Dinner	6:15 PM
	Program – Masonic Youth / Ring & Patent	
	Honor 25 & 50 Year Members	
	KSA Honor Guard	
	Host – Master of Kadosh, Consistory	
	<b>Newsletter Articles Due</b>	
Sep 7	Office Closed	
Sep 15	Newsletter Production	9:00 AM
Sep 15	Fellowship Luncheon	12:00 PM

**CIRCLE OF CONCERN**



- Bro. Scott Bray
- Mrs. Evelyn Carambas
- Hon. James Dunn
- Mrs. Lynn Harrell
- Hon. Don Smith
- Bro. Don Spears

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