

## WHY JOIN SCOTTISH RITE

- Learn more about Masonry
- Obtain a better understanding of the Symbolic Lodge teachings
- To become a 32° Mason
- Continue the search for more “Light”
- Become more involved in the fraternity
- Meet Masons from other Lodges

## THE SCOTTISH RITE

- Is the University of Free Masonry
- Clarifies the lessons learned in Symbolic Lodge
- Teaches
  - ◊ Pride of Patriotism
  - ◊ Love of the Flag and Country
  - ◊ Respect for Law and Order
  - ◊ Civil and Religious Liberty
- Esteem for the Constitution and Bill of Rights
- Favors an enlightened citizenry through support of the public schools
- Teaches Tolerance
- Believes in the separation of church and state

## SCOTTISH RITE PHILOSOPHY

- Improvement of self through ancient teachings
  - ◊ The laws of Moses
  - ◊ The wisdom of King Solomon
  - ◊ The axioms of Plato, Pythagoras & Socrates
  - ◊ The law of love taught by Jesus of Nazareth

## DRAMA and PAGEANTRY

This is theater. Degree and lessons are performed in lavish costumes reflecting the area being portrayed. Music, light, and sound add to the dramatic effect.

## WAYS TO BE INVOLVED

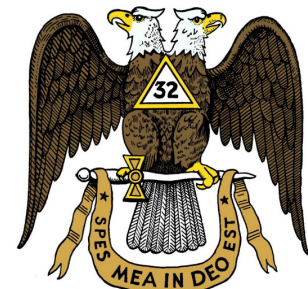
Actor	Stage
Makeup	Band
Costumes	Kitchen
Lighting	Charitable Committee
Sound	Educational Committee
Chorus	Workshop
Props	Building Committee

## PETITION FOR DEGREES

in the  
Des Moines Bodies  
of the  
**Ancient and Accepted**  
**Scottish Rite of Freemasonry**

SCOTTISH RITE  
MASONIC CENTER

519 Park Street  
Des Moines, Iowa 50309-1613



"1987 Tax Act Disclosure Requirement: Membership dues and initiation fees are not deductible as charitable contributions."

**Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Southern Jurisdiction  
of the United States of America, Valley of Des Moines, Orient of Iowa**

To the officers and members of:

Des Moines Lodge of Perfection 4° to 14° \$80.00  
Des Moines Chapter Knights Rose Croix 15° to 18° \$40.00  
Des Moines Council Knights Kadosh 19° to 30° \$40.00  
Des Moines Consistory 31° to 32° \$40.00  
Dues for 2009 \$100.00  
**TOTAL \$300.00**

I do hereby respectfully petition for the degrees, from the 4th to 32nd inclusive, and I promise always to bear true faith and allegiance to the Supreme Council of the Thirty-third Degree for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States.

I have been a resident in the State of Iowa for \_\_\_\_\_ years.

I have never petitioned, nor been rejected in any Scottish Rite Body (if otherwise, state fully when and to what Scottish Rite Body)

I was proclaimed proficient in the third degree on or about \_\_\_\_\_ . (Date)

I am a Master Mason in good standing in \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge, No. \_\_\_\_\_ A.F.&A.M.,

Located at \_\_\_\_\_.

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ (Month/Day/Year) Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Feet \_\_\_\_\_ Inches

Birthplace \_\_\_\_\_ Color of eyes \_\_\_\_\_, Color of hair \_\_\_\_\_

*Town County State*

Wife's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Your Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

*(State fully your occupation, trade or nature of your duties)*

Firm or Company \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Residence Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

*City, State, County, Zip*

The Supreme Council requires acceptance of the following fundamental principles: The inculcation of patriotism, respect for law and order, undying loyalty to the principles of civil and religious liberty, and the entire separation of church and state as set forth in the Constitution of the United States of America.

Do you approve wholeheartedly of these principles? \_\_\_\_\_ . (Yes or No)

Have you ever held or expressed opinions contrary to the foregoing or been affiliated with any organization which has \_\_\_\_\_ . (Yes or No)  
If you answer this last question in the affirmative, give particulars.

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*The total fees and dues for the Spring of 2008 of \$300.00 includes a Class Picture, 14° ring in Lucite Pyramid and patent for the 32° . A minimum of \$155.00 must accompany this Petition and covers the degrees from the 4th to the 14th inclusive. If candidate will be under 31 years of age by completion of the 32°, the fees and dues for 2008 is only \$250.00.*

**Sign name in full below.** Do not use INITIALS Date \_\_\_\_\_ Fee Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

**First Name Middle Name Surname**

*(Also print or type your name here)*

**DO NOT USE  
THIS SPACE**

Recommended by: 1. \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate Reunion Class Desired: \_\_\_\_\_