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Fall 2009 Reunion October 3-4, 2009

The 182nd Reunion of the Miami Scottish Rite Bodies will be held at the Miami Scottish Rite Masonic Center on October 3 and 4, 2009 in honor of Ill. Rex David "Dave" Thomas, 33°, Grand Cross and Ill. Clyde Russell Hoyt, 33°

Ill. Dave Thomas, 33°, Grand Cross

Ill. Dave Thomas, 33° Grand Cross was born July 2, 1932 in Atlantic City, New Jersey. He was the founder of Wendy's International, a restaurant chain. He served as Chairman for the Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption and was on the Board of Trustees for too many foundations and Universities to list in this periodical. A list of his achievements and awards would fill several pages. He was made a Mason in Sol De Bayless Lodge No. 359 located at Fort Wayne, Indiana. He was consecrated a Master of the Royal Secret on November 16, 1961 by the Valley of Fort Wayne, Indiana. He was Invested with the Knight Commander Court of Honor on October 18, 1993, Coronated with Thirty-third Degree on November 25, 1995 and awarded the Grand Cross on October 3, 1997. He passed away January 8, 2002.

Ill. Clyde Russell Hoyt, 33°

Ill. Clyde Russell Hoyt, 33°, was born on July 28, 1920 at East Saint Louis, Illinois. He was a member of Biscayne Bay Lodge No. 124, Miami, Florida. He worked as a comptroller for Spitzer Motors of Miami, Inc. He was Invested with the Knight Commander Court of Honor on December 4, 1971 and Coronated with the Thirty-third Degree on October 5, 1981. He served the Valley of Miami faithfully for many years. He passed away on February 24, 2002



SCHEDULE OF DEGREES

FALL REUNION

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2009

6:00 AM	Registration/Breakfast
7:00 AM	Class Assembly
7:30 AM	Opening Ceremony
8:00 AM	4th Degree
8:45 AM	Classroom
9:20 AM	Coffee Break
9:35 AM	8th Degree
10:25 AM	Classroom
11:30 AM	Lunch
12:20 PM	14th Degree
1:30 PM	Classroom
2:00 PM	18th Degree (1st Section)
3:00 PM	Coffee Break
3:30 PM	18th Degree (2nd Section)
4:30 PM	Out

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2009

7:30 AM	Class Assembly/Breakfast
8:00 AM	19th Degree
8:40 AM	Classroom
9:15 AM	Coffee Break
9:35 AM	Classroom
10:10 AM	Class Photo
10:30 AM	26th Degree
11:30 AM	Lunch
12:20 PM	Classroom
1:00 PM	29th Degree
2:00 PM	Coffee Break
2:30 PM	30th Degree
3:30 PM	Classroom
4:00 PM	32nd Degree
5:30 PM	Out



September Calendar

- 4 Fri—Degree Masters Meeting and Dinner 6:30 PM
- 9 Wed—Executive Board Meeting 6:30 PM. Knights of St. Andrew at 7:30 PM, Dinner at 6:30 PM.
- 16 Wed—Regular Monthly Meeting. 7:30 PM, —Open Meeting —All Welcome— KCCH Dinner 6:30 PM, Reservation required—\$10.00.

October Calendar

- 3-4 Sat/Sun—Fall Reunion
- 14 Wed—Executive Board Meeting 6:30 PM. Knights of St. Andrew at 7:30 PM— Dinner at 6:30 PM.
- 21 Wed—Regular Monthly Meeting. 7:30 PM, —Open Meeting —All Welcome— KCCH Dinner 6:30 PM, Reservation required—\$10.00.

November Calendar

- 7 Sat—KCCH Investiture in Orlando
- 11 Wed—Executive Board Meeting 6:30 PM. Knights of St. Andrew at 7:30 PM— Dinner at 6:30 PM.
- 14 Sat—Coronation Ceremony in Tampa
- 18 Wed—Regular Monthly Meeting. 7:30 PM—Open Meeting —All Welcome— KCCH Dinner 6:30 PM, Reservation required—\$10.00.

Sick Call ...



At our next meeting, be sure to pick up a list of brothers who are on the published "sick list" and remember these brothers with cards or phone calls to help speed their recovery. Report sickness to: Brothers Harry Futch (954-433-7481) or the Scottish Rite office (305-374-4700) in South Dade County.

In Memoriam

Russell Faust, 32°
George Mitch, 32°

Miami Scottish Rite Picnic September 20, 2009

The Annual Scottish Rite Family Picnic is scheduled for Sunday, September 20, 2009 at the Oasis Room of Mahi Shrine located at 1480 NW North River Dr. Miami, Florida from noon to 4:00 PM

Cost for the event is \$10.00 per adult and children under 12 are free.

There will be plenty to eat and entertainment for the children. Bring your family and enjoy an afternoon of fellowship.

Dues Notices are Coming!

You will be receiving your 2010 dues notice in the mail very soon. **Please fill out the information portion of the notice and return it even if you are a life or perpetual member.** I am in the process of updating our database with information about each member. I need current telephone numbers, updated addresses, current Blue Lodge information, email addresses, etc. Your 2010 dues card will be mailed upon receipt of the information card with the desired information. Thanks for your cooperation in this matter.

When you return your dues notice remember that all donations to the Miami Scottish Rite Center Preservation Fund are tax exempt as are donations to the Scottish Rite Foundation.
Patrick C. Palmer, 33°, General Secretary

From the Master of Kadosh

Brethren,

Thank you for your continued support of our Valley in 2009. I am astounded at the attendance that we had for our summer meetings. It is always expected that June, July and August bring fewer people to our sidelines. What a wonderful turnaround we have seen as crowds of 90+ have shown up for our meetings. For those who have made a special effort to come out I really want to thank you. I also thank our regulars, the brothers that can be counted on month in and month out.

We have a busy schedule in the coming months with our Family Picnic, Fall Reunion and Christmas Nostalgia Show. Please check the calendar and mark down the dates of these events. Unfortunately we have to postpone our auction due to lack of interest. We will try to regroup and see if we can reschedule after the holidays. As always, I continue to ask what kind of programs you would like to see your Valley put on. Please let your officers know.

Your Executive Board is working on plans to create a new entrance to our building. Walking through our kitchen to get to the dining and meeting rooms has gone on much too long. Since we do not use the front entrance, it time that we create a proper lobby for ingress and egress. This project will include using a portion of the current dressing room to create a lobby and sign in area. The door will be on the side of the building and a ramp will be installed to provide access for those who can't use the stairs. We will also be updating our restrooms to accommodate wheelchairs. What a welcome and much needed addition this will be to our building.

Remember if you would like to donate to our Building Fund your contribution is now tax deductible. Our Long Range Planning Committee is creating an Endowment Fund Campaign with the hopes of earning your support for our historic building. There is much updating that needs to be done, most of it behind the scenes. The cost of doing business keeps rising and we are going to seek out some generous benefactors to help us maintain our facility. If you are in a position to help, please consider doing so. You will not only be helping your Valley but you will be realizing a significant tax deduction. Please contact our Secretary to discuss the possibilities.

I know we sound repetitive, but please try and get a new member for our Fall Reunion. Membership is paramount to our continued success and should be our highest priority. Talk to the members of your lodge. Find out who is not a member of the Scottish Rite and try and earn their interest. If you need a petition, please contact the office.

Thanks again for your support and I hope to see you at our next event.
John W. Borsa Jr. 32° KCCH, Master of Kadosh