



THE SUPREME COUNCIL

(MOTHER COUNCIL OF THE WORLD)

ANCIENT & ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY, SOUTHERN JURISDICTION, USA

July 28th, 2026

Greetings, Brothers,

Elaine and I send our warmest greetings to you and your families as another summer seems to be flying by.

I wanted to share a few highlights from our recent Supreme Council Meeting and update you on some of the exciting things happening throughout our Scottish Rite.

The 225th Anniversary Celebration of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction, was a truly memorable experience. I hope you had the opportunity to watch it. If not, I encourage you to view the program online.

Our Membership Services team continues to expand our reach in remarkable ways. Our YouTube channel now receives approximately 1.8 million views annually and has grown to more than 66,000 subscribers. Likewise, our Facebook presence has surpassed 96,000 followers and has generated more than 1.4 million views since the beginning of this year.

The Master Craftsman Online College is also experiencing tremendous growth, with nearly 10,000 students enrolled. To date, 180 students have completed the entire five-course American Series and earned the special American 250 commemorative pin. Upcoming courses will explore *The Eleven Gentlemen of Charleston*, *Robert Burns*, and the 200th Anniversary of the Morgan Affair.

Serving as your Deputy has been both an honor and a pleasure. I have enjoyed attending events in each of our five Valleys and look forward to participating in many more in the months ahead.

As I travel throughout our Jurisdiction, I continue to see firsthand the dedication, enthusiasm, and fellowship of our members. The more I visit, the more convinced I become that Iowa Scottish Rite Masons are truly making a difference. We are moving forward together, and our future is bright.

Brothers, please know that I am always at your service.

Fraternally yours,

Timothy Felton, Deputy
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