



**Hosted by:**  
**The Grand York Rite Bodies of North Carolina**  
**The Scottish Rite Orient of North Carolina**

Come join us for a relaxing week of Masonic fellowship in the beautiful Smoky Mountains of North Carolina. The first half of the week consists of the 85<sup>th</sup> Annual Summer Assembly, hosted by the Grand York Rite of North Carolina, followed by the Scottish Rite Summer Orient Advisory Retreat (SOAR) courtesy of the Scottish Rite Orient of North Carolina. There are many events planned which are open to the public, as well as tiled events for their respective Grand Bodies.

**85<sup>th</sup> York Rite Summer Assembly**

*Schedule of events*

**Saturday, July 9**

**10:00 AM** – Putt-Putt Contest at [Fantasy Golf](#) next to the Castlewood Motel in Maggie Valley, open to adults and children. Registration fee: \$5 per person – *win a trophy!*

**2:00 PM** – Super Excellent Master Degree, at [Waynesville Lodge # 259](#), dress is business casual.

**Sunday, July 10**

**10:30 AM** – Church Service, [First Baptist Church of Maggie Valley](#)

**3:00 PM – 5:00 PM** – Summer Assembly Registration & Cookout, [Maggie Valley Community Pavilion](#). Registration required for attendees, please go to the Summer Assembly website at <https://mwsite.org/sites/ncgssa>. Registration is \$20 (men only) and attendees to both the Summer Assembly and the Banquet Monday night must complete their [registration](#) with payment by June 20 to the Grand Secretary.

**Monday, July 11**

**9:00 AM** – Summer Assembly convenes at the [Haywood Community College Student Center Auditorium](#), Clyde, NC.

Moderator: Russell E. Bridges, PMIGM

Introductions: David Cashion, PMIGM

Kevan Frazier, Deputy Grand Master  
Grand Lodge of North Carolina, A.F. & A.M

Ill. James D. Cole, SGC  
Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction

Aaron M. Shoemaker, Sovereign Grand Master  
Of the Allied Masonic Degrees of the USA

**12:00 PM** – Summer Assembly adjourns for lunch and travel to the Masonic Marker.

**Summer Orient Advisory Retreat (SOAR)**

*Schedule of events*

**Thursday, July 14**

**5:00 PM** – Visit the [NC RiteCare Clinic at Western Carolina University College of Health & Human Sciences Speech & Hearing Clinic](#) and have dinner at the University in Cullowhee, NC.

**Friday, July 15**

**4:30 PM** – BBQ Dinner at [Junaluskee Lodge # 145](#) in Franklin.

**6:00 PM** – VIP Reception with the Letters from Home Singers at the [Smoky Mountain Theatre for the Performing Arts](#) in Franklin. VIP Tickets on sale now (\$100.00 single, \$150.00 couple) from [Dan Killian](#) at (347) 454-4879. Get a chance to mingle with the performers.

**7:00 PM** – Letters from Home Singers tribute to our US Armed Forces at the [Theatre](#).

**Sponsorships** for this performance as well as the performance coming up in New Bern will be accepted through July 1<sup>st</sup>:

\$3,000.00 – featured on the Play Bill and a full-page ad in the Program at the respective venue (artwork provided by sponsor)

\$2,000.00 – featured on the Play Bill and a ½-page ad in the Program at the respective venue (artwork provided by sponsor)

\$1,000.00 – featured on the Play Bill and a ¼-page ad in the Program at the respective venue (artwork provided by sponsor)

\$500.00 – a ⅛-page ad in the Program at the respective venue (artwork provided by sponsor)

\$250.00 – a line ad in the Program at the respective venue

\$100.00 – a line ad in the Program at the respective venue

**3:00 PM** – Masonic Marker Address, at the Masonic Marker at Black Camp Gap. Access to the marker is from the Blue Ridge Parkway, exiting at Wolf Laurel Gap onto Heintooga Road, then onto the parking area at [Black Camp Gap](#).

**7:00 PM** – Banquet & Entertainment at the [Maggie Valley Club and Resort](#), \$55 per adult, \$12 for children under 12.

**Tuesday, July 12**

**9:00 AM** – Summer Assembly reconvenes.

Dr. Robert J. F. Elsner, PGC of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of South Carolina

Remarks by North Carolina Grand Presiding Officers

AIMS AND CONCERNS OF:

General Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, International

General Grand Council, Cryptic Masons, International

Grand Encampment, Knights Templar, of the U.S.A.

**12:00 PM** – Summer Assembly adjourns.

Please go to the NC RiteCare Performance Sponsorship website at:

<https://www.ncritecare.org/letters-from-home-in-the-smoky-mountains> for more details.

Tickets are available at the Smoky Mountain Theatre Box Office at <https://smokymountainarts.com/pec-events/letter-from-home/1657911600> or call (866) 273-4615.

**Saturday, July 16**

**8:00 AM** –SOAR begins with Breakfast at [Junaluskee Lodge # 145](#).

Admission to the SOAR conference is reserved for Scottish Rite Members in good standing only. For out-of-state visitors wishing to attend, please contact:

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**AREA LODGING**

Please make your reservations as soon as possible, space is limited. July is an extremely popular month in the mountains.

**Maggie Valley Area Lodging**

Blue Mountain Inn: 828-926-3385

Comfort Inn: 828-926-9106

Maggie Valley Country Club: 800-438-3861

Smoky Falls Lodge: 828-926-7440

Stoney Creek Lodge 828-926-1996

A Holiday Motel: 828-926-1186

Quality Inn: 828-926-8554

Best Western: 828-926-3962

Meadowlark Motel 828-926-171

Cardinal Inn: 828-926-0422

Jonathan Creek Inn & Villas 828-926-1232

Ramada Limited 828-926-7800

**Franklin Area Lodging**

The Hampton Inn (828) 369-0600

Comfort Inn (828)369-9200

Microtel Inn and Suites by Wyndham (828) 349-9000

Fairfield Hotel (828) 497-0400 near the Casino in Cherokee

Discover Franklin link for additional area lodging  
<https://discoverfranklinnc.com/hotels-motels/>



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