



PLANNING SUCCESSFUL MEETINGS, EVENTS, & PRESENTATIONS

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WHY I LEFT FREEMASONRY



“ I joined because of my Father and Grandfather were Freemasons, and went through the degrees and all the memory work. After I started going to business meetings it was much different than I expected, eating bologna sandwiches, simply paid bills, worked on fundraisers to help pay the bills or reporting on fundraisers and complaining about why no one showed up.

WHY I LEFT FREEMASONRY



“I joined because of the mystery, prestige, and finally education and self improvement.

“I came back because I met members that were focused on Education and teaching that made it much more interesting.”

—Justin X.

SUCCESSFUL MEETING PLANNING/SHARING



- 4 Types of Meetings
- Information Sharing – Communication
- Creative – Ideation / Brainstorming / Directional
- Project Mgmt. / Process / Decision Making
- Investigation / Problem Solving

SUCCESSFUL BUSINESS MEETINGS



- Prepare Agenda – Commitments
- Communicate with ALL Members
- What's for Dinner
- What's for Education
- Special Events
- Recognition



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COLUMBIA, S. C. BODIES

E-NEWS

Our Business Meeting will be held on Wednesday evening March 4, 2020 at 7:30 PM
At 7230 Garners Ferry Road in Columbia, SC.

The Steering Committee will meet at 6:00 PM in the Library

Dinner will be served at 6:45 PM

Dinner prepared by MW and Ill. Ronald Mitchum, PGM, 33° & Brother Ronnie Thompson,
32° KCCH

Barron Council Knights Kadosh will be responsible for after dinner cleanup.

KSA Meeting

The KSA will meet at 6:15PM

Masonic Education

23rd degree - Chief of the Tabernacle by Ill. Layne Waters, 33°

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 4, 2020-----Business Meeting

March 13 and 14, 2020-----Scottish Rite Leadership Conference in Charlotte, NC

March 29, 2020-----Massing of the Colors

April 1, 2020-----Business Meeting & Ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal

April 17 and 18, 2020-----BBQ Fundraiser for Rite Care Center

May 6, 2020-----Business Meeting

May 15, 16, 22, and 23, 2020-----Spring Reunion

June 3, 2020-----Business Meeting

SUCCESSFUL EVENTS



- **Planning Event /
Calendaring Well in
Advance**
- **Active Committee Tasked
– Free / Ticketed**
- **Guest Speakers Advanced
Confirmation**
- **Meal and Refreshments**
- **Communication Program**
- **Staging and Preparation**
- **Rehearsal**
- **Recognition**

IDEAS FOR MEMBER & PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT



- Degree Educational Session at Business Meetings
- Degree Conferral at Business Meetings
- Special Public Events (Tishri, Renewal & Remembrance, Installation
- Open House for Neighbors and Business
- Massing of Colors Events

IDEAS FOR MEMBER & PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT



- JROTC Recognition Meetings / Dinner
- Public Service Meetings – Police, Fire, Rescue.
- School Teachers Recognition Events
- Military Events (Task Force Marshall)
- Fraternity and Sorority Events



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