

**Great Smokies Assembly  
of York Rite Masons**

Maggie Valley, North Carolina  
July 12, 13, 14, 2026

**REGISTRATION FORM**

Please complete this form and return it with your check no later than June 30, 2025. Make checks payable to "SUMMER ASSEMBLY" and mail to: **Allen Surratt - Grand Secretary**  
**6328 Surratt Country. Rd., Denton, NC 27239**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Guest's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fee (Men Only).....\$25.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Banquet/Show Tickets

Adults.....\$ 70.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Children under 12.....\$ 25.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount of Check.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Although Summer Assembly Registration does not officially begin until Sunday, July 14, many individuals begin arriving on Friday or Saturday. Come enjoy the hospitality of the Maggie Valley community and get ready to witness a most rewarding experience.

**JOIN US JULY 12, 13, 14, 2026**



**A NORTH CAROLINA  
MASONIC SHRINE**

The Masonic Shrine, or Marker, is located at an altitude of 4,522 feet at Black Camp Gap in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, 17 miles from Waynesville, Haywood County, North Carolina. It can be reached by way of Highway U.S. 19 by turning on the Blue Ridge Parkway at Soco Gap and going to Wolf Laurel Gap, then following Heintooga Road. The Parkway passes within a few yards of the marker which is accessible over a paved path from the parking area.

**Summer Assembly Committee**

*David Cashion – Chairman  
Berry Rigdon, Russell Bridges,  
Brian Rau, Gene Canter,  
Michael Smith, Ted Inman,  
Jim Burrows  
Hugh K. Terrell, Emeritus  
Allen Surratt, Grand Sec. - Rec.*

**THE  
GREAT SMOKIES  
SUMMER ASSEMBLY  
OF  
YORK RITE MASONS**



**1822-2026**

**THE 204<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY  
OF  
YORK RITE MASONRY  
IN  
NORTH CAROLINA**

*2026 – The 89<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the  
Great Smokies Summer Assembly of  
York Rite Masons*

**MAGGIE VALLEY, NORTH CAROLINA  
July 12, 13, 14, 2026**

*Summer Assembly always starts the  
Second Sunday in July*

**Theme  
Back to Basics:  
Ritual, Traditions & Officer Participation**

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**GREAT SMOKIES ASSEMBLY OF  
YORK RITE MASONS**  
Maggie Valley, North Carolina  
July 12, 13, 14, 2026

**PROGRAM**

**SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2026**

10:30 AM: You are welcome to attend  
the Church Service at the First Baptist  
Church of Maggie Valley.

3:00 - 5:00 PM - Registration and Cookout  
**Maggie Valley Community Pavilion**  
3987 Soco Road, Maggie Valley, NC

**MONDAY, JULY 13, 2026**  
**Waynesville Lodge No. 259**  
435 East Marshall Street  
Waynesville, NC 28786

9:00 AM – Summer Assembly convenes.

**Moderator: Russell E. Bridges, PMIGM**

**Introductions: David Cashion, PMIGM**

**Welcome**

**Steven M. Norris, Most Worshipful Grand  
Master of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina,  
A.F. & A.M**

15-minute recess

**Mark A. Bradley, Most Worshipful Grand Master  
of the Grand Lodge of Georgia - Free & Accepted  
Masons**

**A. Gene Cobb, Past Grand Master  
Grand Lodge of North Carolina, A.F. & A.M.  
SGIG for North Carolina & the II. Grand  
Chaplin Supreme Grand Council of the  
Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite, S. J.**

**12:00 NOON - LUNCH ON YOUR OWN**

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3:00 PM - Masonic Marker Address

**Dr. E. Oscar Alleyne, PM**  
**Wappingers Lodge No. 671, Past  
Junior Grand Warden, Grand Lodge  
of New York F. & A. M., Senior  
Grand Warden, Grand Council  
Allied Masonic Degrees, USA**

**7:00 PM - BANQUET & ENTERTAINMENT**

The Banquet Dinner & Entertainment  
will be at **Maggie Valley Club & Resort**,  
1819 Country Club Drive, Maggie Valley,  
NC 27851.

**TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2026**

9:00 AM - Summer Assembly Reconvenes

**H. Bart Henderson, Past Deputy Grand  
Master Grand Lodge of Texas, A.F. &  
A.M., Most Eminent Grand Master  
General, Convent General Knights of  
the York Cross of Honour**

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.

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**NOON - ADJOURN SUMMER ASSEMBLY**



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**AREA MOTELS**

Please make your reservations as soon as possible, but  
no later than May 1, 2026.

Blue Mountain Inn: 828-926-3385  
Comfort Inn: 828-926-9106  
Maggie Valley Country Club: 800-438-3861  
A Holiday Motel: 828-926-1186  
Quality Inn: 828-926-8554  
Best Western: 828-926-3962  
Cardinal Inn: 828-926-0422  
Jonathan Creek Inn & Villas 828-926-1232  
Ramada Limited 828-926-7800  
Stoney Creek Lodge 828-926-1996  
Meadowlark Motel 828-926-1717

**FAMILY OUTING**

A "Putt-Putt" Contest will be held at Fantasy Golf next  
to the Castlewood Motel in Maggie Valley on Saturday,  
July 11th starting at 10:00 AM. The registration fee is  
\$5.00 per person (open to adults and children) and  
there will be trophies.

Contact Robin Hargett to attend the **HART Theater  
(TBD)** on Saturday evening, July 11th. Please contact  
Robin at [robinhargett@gmail.com](mailto:robinhargett@gmail.com) or (704) 242-0885 for  
ticket prices. **Make Payable to & mail payment to  
Robin Hargett, 825 Holshouser Rd., Rockwell, NC  
28138**

**Conferral: Knight Masons Degrees by  
North Carolina York Rite Colleges**

**Waynesville Lodge No. 259**  
435 East Marshall Street  
Waynesville, NC 28786  
at 2:00 PM Saturday, July 12, 2025

*DRESS BUSINESS CASUAL*

**Whitewater Rafting Trip**  
Sunday morning July 12<sup>th</sup>  
Contact Mark Alexander for details.  
336 - 984 - 9980,  
[cenobite13@hotmail.com](mailto:cenobite13@hotmail.com)

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