



Valley Notice

Notice & Newsletter
Valley of Reading, Pennsylvania



JULY 2021

Happy Summer! Many have taken note that Spring has come and gone...with no dues notice from Scottish Rite! This is not a mistake; Supreme Council has shifted the timing of dues mail to late summer. This is a permanent shift, as we understand.



The dues year will now run from August 1st to July 31st.



10 Brethren were created Sublime Princes of the Royal Secret, 32° Scottish Rite Masons on May 15, 2021.

Joining the Class and Marshalls in this photo are Robert J. Hoyes, 33°, Kevin S. Barnhardt, 33° and Jeffrey S. Moyer, 33°

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Welcome Spring Reunion Class of 2021

Bill Acker III	Lodge No. 383
Raymond Bracken	Lodge No. 558
Stephen E Hammond	Lodge No. 138
John P. Hohing	Lodge No. 545
David W. Keel	Lodge No. 435
Christopher M. Lally	Lodge No. 446
Wayne A. Lester	Lodge No. 545
Daniel Maher	Lodge No. 405
Leonard G. Shirk	Lodge No. 75
Wayne A. Worthington	Lodge No. 545

Notes From

The Commander-in-Chief
Robert J. Hoyes, 33°



Brethren, welcome back!

With some restrictions being suspended and business opening up, we get the feeling things are returning to normal. The pandemic has shown us just how precious our freedom can be. The simple task of going out to dinner became a chore that usually ended at the fast-food drive thru. Our gatherings were postponed, as well as our rentals of the facilities becoming almost nonexistent. Fortunately, our Commander in Chief, Brother Harry Hackman 33°, addressed and solved every problem as it arose. Harry did a terrific job and should be commended. As for "getting back to normal" the pandemic has shown us other ways of resolving problems within these restrictions. The future normal may not be the past normal, but we can adapt!

Brethren, enjoy your summer.

Sincerely, Bob



Thrice Potent Master's Corner
Gary S. Pletcher, 32°



Brethren,

I would like to start off by thanking the outgoing officers for their efforts during a very trying year. I would also like to congratulate the incoming officers. I am looking forward to resuming normal activities as we move forward.

Let's start by having a great turnout for the fall reunion. Also, please try to attend the county club functions and Holiday Happenings in December.

Fraternally,
Gary S. Pletcher, 32°
Thrice Potent Master

Valley Notice is a publication of the four bodies of the Valley of Reading, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction and is the official notice of meetings, events and activities of the Valley.

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Please provide all Valley Notice submissions in .doc/.docx format to allow for editing.

Sovereign Prince Speaks
Scott J. Helm, 32°



Greeting Brother Princes

Thank you for the bottom of my heart for allowing me to lead you Sovereign Princes. I take this office humbly and honored. I hope to make each and every one of the Past Sovereign Princes proud. I know we have a tough road ahead of us to bring back the Brothers from these dark times and fill the stage and audience once again. We will do it. As I sat up on stage for the last time as high priest, I was both excited to take the next step in my masonic journey, yet saddened by the attendance to witness the installation of officers. I want to fix this. Please assist me in this goal. If you know a brother who loves the valley as much as I do, but does not attend, call him, and invite him to the next event. Offer him a ride. If he lives far from you, reach out to someone near him and I am sure they would love to assist with picking them up. Both cast and crew work tirelessly to hone in their part, and sometimes multiple parts, to give a great performance. It's frustrating to only perform for a few in the audience.

Congratulations to the newly past officers of the Valley. With your leadership and guidance this past year, you continued to make the Valley of Reading, an example of Scottish Rite masonry. Yes, it was a tough year, with your great leadership skills you lead us with confidence, and we made it out on the other end unscathed.

I know the officers I have; I am in good hands as well as the future of this line. I am honored to call each my brother. The Past Sovereign Princes and Members of the valley, I know I can count on you for anything I may need during my tenure. I know your council will assist me throughout this year.

Thank you once again for the honor and privilege.

Fraternally,
Scott J Helm
Sovereign Prince

Most Wise Master's Moment
Robert F. Trimble, 33°



Brethren,

I would like to express my sincere thanks and appreciation for the honor bestowed upon me by being installed as your Most Wise Master. Many great PMWM's have preceded me and I will do my best to uphold the integrity and honor as a Knight of the Rose Croix. Congratulations to our newly installed Officers Brothers Harvey A. Willard Jr.32° Sr. Warden and Harry J. Smith 32° Jr. Warden. Also, to my appointed Officers: I look forward to a successful year, which we cannot have without the strength and support of each other.

My congratulations to Bro. Seth C. Anthony 32° PMWM on a job well done having to lead us through one of the most difficult times that we have seen in many years. Our first virtual "Feast of the Paschal Lamb" was an outstanding success under his leadership, guidance, and assistance from many Brethren.

Philippians 4.13 states, "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." Brethren, God doesn't give us more than we can handle. We are tested each and every day! Just look at the obstacles we have overcome in the past year: all of our activities went from in person to virtual, functions had to be canceled, etc. but we are back and stronger than ever!! We had a virtual/live Spring Reunion last month when 10 Brethren became Scottish Rite Masons. Brethren, keep your eyes on our Creator, each other and the future. All of us are a team working together toward keeping Scottish Rite Masonry alive and prospering in the Valley of Reading. TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE THIS HAPPEN!

T.T.G.O.T.G.A.O.T.U.

Robert F. Trimble 33°
Most Wise Master

IN MEMORIAM

**The Valley of Reading remembers with respect
the following Brethren whose deaths have been
reported since the last publication of the Valley
Notice.**

William S. Groff, Jr.
Lodge No. 665
January 1, 2014

Ernest L. Steudler, Jr.
Lodge No. 476
February 14, 2017

Clair B. Brooks
Lodge No. 665
June 27, 2017

Charles M. Shirk
Lodge No. 405
November 21, 2019

Tomio M. Garry
Lodge No. 43
April 28, 2020

Glenn D. Beamesderfer
Lodge No. 586
May 21, 2020

Charles H. Rathey
Lodge No. 43
September 5, 2020

Russell E. Dewald
Lodge No. 138
October 8, 2020

Roy J. Mowrer
Lodge No. 417
October 16, 2020

Charles D. Kulp
Lodge No. 446
December 7, 2020

Harvey S. Moser
Lodge No. 741
January 7, 2021

Stanley B. Landis
Lodge No. 310
January 29, 2021

Carl H. Tim
Lodge No. 741
February 11, 2021

Richard H. Lawrence
Lodge No. 446
February 28, 2021

Frederick J. Klotzbach, Sr
Lodge No. 585
April 17, 2021

Eugene Pretnicki
Lodge No. 254
April 17, 2021

Pierre H. Rausch
Lodge No. 125
April 21, 2021

William Tobias
Lodge No. 405
April 21, 2021



The list of 50 year members printed in the May Valley Notice was 2020's list!

**Below please find recognition for 2021
CONGRATULATIONS to all of the following
brethren. Certificates and pins will be received
by mail.**

Harry D Barr

Martin W Bashoff

Howard W Bedell

Walter H Borland

Robert C Christman

Donavon L Cobb

Leroy D Cressy

William J Davies

Charles W Dickinson

Jack W Evans Jr.

John S Ferenz

Donald B Fink

Larry T Gallagher

Robert R Heimbach

Irvin D Herring

John R Hirst Jr.

Gordon N Howresko

Stephen A Kazimer

Clair D Kramer

Daniel P Maihl

Clyde R Mayes

Ralph H Meitzler

Harry C Meitzler

Richard J Mertz

Robert A Moyer

Howard J Moyer

Joseph M Moyer

Dr. Robert Jason Peterson

Fairbanks Phipps Jr.

John S Rohrer

Irvin Saltzman

Richard J Schreck

John J Seitzinger

Daniel E Semar

Daniel W Springer

Richard K Walter

Thomas R Werner

C Dennis Zimmerman

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“ALL ABOARD”, the MODEL RAILROADING CLUB invites you to come on board and enjoy membership in our Club. Membership is open to ANYONE with an interest in toy & model trains, mason or not!

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On Tuesday May 25, 2021, the Scottish Rite Ladies Auxiliary held its first meeting since January, 2020.

Other than enjoying the long- awaited company of one another, highlights from the business meeting included reports from Pat Huck, Treasurer, Cheryl Weiser, Corresponding Secretary, and Barb Wells, Membership Chair. Although many of us spent the last months wondering when we might be together again, these

ladies were busy handling the responsibilities of each of their positions.

We wish to thank them for continuing to take care of business during this unusual time.

Additionally, Helen Hummel has also been busy getting ready for our fashion show scheduled for next April. Reserve the date of April 23rd on your 2022 calendar. She reported that fashions will be provided by Ruthie's Tee Company of Bird-in-Hand and Ronks, both locations in Lancaster County.

As in the past, door prizes will be a big part of this day, and since we've not been able to support the Dyslexia Center in 2020 or 2021, we hope you have saved all the things you wanted to donate during those years and will add some other items as well so we might have a successful show and be able once again to contribute enough to help one or more students with tuition for studies at the center.

Because we have missed so many of our meeting during the last year and a half, many board members have chosen to remain in their current capacities. Pat Huck, though, will not be continuing with us and Lynda Hackman will be filling the Treasurer's seat for the upcoming term. Thank you to both ladies.

We look forward to meeting once again in October and being able to enjoy one of the programs Sue Moyer had scheduled for at an earlier date that had to be put on hold during the pandemic.

A fall newsletter will be coming to keep you updated on our meetings as well as other activities at the Valley of Reading. Additional updates are sent periodically by e-mail, so if you are not currently on the auxiliary list, please send an e-mail to berky250@aol.com with your request to be included.

Have a safe, healthy and enjoyable summer with loved ones and friends.

Janice Kaucher, Ladies Auxiliary President

Golden Eagles



For those that have not ventured out yet; first and foremost, I hope all are well and I look forward to greeting you soon.

OPEN INVITATION to join the Golden Eagles group on the third Wednesday of each month, for a great meal (\$8.00- NO TAX, NO GRATUITY, AND NO WASHING DISHES OR CLEANUP). Please give Brother Don Loos a call at 610-678-1063 to make reservations. The club is open to All Masons, Non-Masons, wives, men and women.

We have two trips scheduled: Dec 8th, 2021 to Hunterdon Hills Playhouse Christmas Show and April 26, 2022 to Sight & Sound's new production of "David" More trips will be forthcoming as things open up. Reservation form for the Christmas show can be found on the following page. Any questions, give me a call. Until will meet again, be safe and well.

COMING UP

July 21 Menu: Baked stuffed chicken, buttered noodles, broccoli Normandy, dessert
PROGRAM – Acacia Florist – Designing in Season

August 18 – Picnic Time – Hamburger bar-b-que in roll, mac & cheese and baked lima beans
PROGRAM – Bill Moyer, professional pianist w/ show tunes

September 15– Menu: Bar-b-que pork spare ribs, mashed potatoes and buttered beets
PROGRAM– Red Creek Wildlife Center – Peggy will give a LIVE presentation including a vulture, owl and other raptors! Who knows what will fly in the building!
MARK YOUR CALENDAR.

Sincerely

Carey Kaucher 😊

Golden Eagles, President, Home - 610-670-9827;
Cell - 610-451-6084; e-mail - cnjk1992@aol.com



Valley of Reading, Scottish Rite GOLDEN EAGLES Club



Menu Choices

Yankee Pot Roast
Lemon Pepper Cod
Chicken Madeira
Fried Jumbo Shrimp
Roast Turkey
w/stuffing
Lasagna Roulette
sides, coffee, tea
and dessert
tax and gratuity
included

A Playhouse Christmas



Hunterdon Hills Playhouse

**45 tickets
first come
first served**

**Wednesday, December 8, 2021
Depart Scottish Rite at 9:00am
Dinner and show at 12 Noon**

**Cost - \$98.00 per person Deposit \$50.00 per person
Balance due by November 17th, 2021**

Checks made payable to "AASR Golden Eagles"

→ Mail to Carey Kaucher, 1108 Dogwood Dr, West Lawn, PA 19609

Reservation form for Hunterdon Hills Playhouse

Name _____ Phone No. _____

No. of Seats reserved _____ Payment in Full for each seat X \$98.00 _____

Deposit for each seat X \$50.00 _____

Name #1 _____ Name #2 _____

Name #3 _____ Name #4 _____

→ BALANCE DUE BY November 17, 2021 ←



AASR - Valley of Reading, PA Merchandise Order Form



Name: _____ Date: _____

E-Mail Address: _____ Telephone: _____

ADD \$7.00 for Personalization on opposite of item from AASR LOGO.

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Line 2 _____

Circle choice 32 degree 33 degree **Circle size** Small Med Lg X-Lg

CIRCLE YOUR CHOICE!

2XL 3XL 4XL

POLO - 65% Cotton 35% Poly Short Sleeve-K500 _____ K500P-with pocket _____ \$25.00 ea _____
Long Sleeve - K500LS _____ K500LS/WPocket _____ \$28.00 ea _____

Add \$2. for 2XL, \$3. for 3XL, \$4. for 4XL Tall 3.00 XXL \$3.00 additional size cost _____

Circle color choice and size personalization cost _____

Black Royal Blue Kelly Green Stone White TOTAL _____

POLO- 100% Poly double knit short sleeve K540 _____ K540P/with pocket _____ \$25.00 ea _____
moisture wicking material Long sleeve #K540LS (pocket not available) _____ \$28.00 ea _____

Add \$2. for 2xl - \$3. for 3-xl, \$4. for 4xl, XL tall \$3.00 XXL tall \$3. additional size cost _____

Circle color choice and size personalization cost _____

Color Black Royal Blue Dark Green Maroon White TOTAL \$ _____

Button-down Collar - Easy Care Shirt 55/45 cotton poly Short Sleeve S508 _____ \$30.00 ea _____
Long Sleeve S608 _____ \$32.00 ea _____

Add \$2. for 2xl - \$3. for 3-xl, \$4. for 4xl, XL tall \$3.00 XXL tall \$3. additional size cost _____

Circle size and color personalization cost _____

Black Light Blue Court Green Stone White TOTAL \$ _____

Denim Shirt - Blue long sleeve, 100% cotton S600 _____ \$36.00 each

Circle size

Add \$2. for 2XL, \$3. for 3XL, \$4. for 4XL, Tall \$3. XXL \$3. additional size cost _____
personalization cost _____

Competitor Jacket - light weight, Teklon nylon outer shell is water and wind resistant 3 season jacket.

ONLY COLOR IS TRUE BLACK JP-54 _____ \$50.00 ea _____

Add \$2. for 2XL, \$3. for 3XL, \$4. for 4XL Tall XL-\$3. Tal XXL \$3. additional size cost _____
personalization cost _____

TOTAL \$ _____

Baseball Cap - Chino Twill - Scottish Rite logo on front, AASR on side brim and Valley of Reading on back
Style i1023 Cost - \$20.00 ea. Quantity _____ TOTAL \$ _____

**Make checks payable to "Scottish Rite Volunteer Committee". Mail order form and check
to: Scottish Rite Cathedral, P.O.Box 6013, Reading, PA 19610 Attn:SRVC**

Save
the
date!

October 21, 2021

Our favorite is back!

The John Gay, Jr., Memorial Sports Banquet

At Revere Tavern in Paradise, PA

Speaker will be Philly Phanatic Dave Raymond

Tickets are \$35

Dinner at 7pm

For tickets or info on ad placement contact:

Paul Swank

610-384-7591

pasnuf@aol.com

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Deadline is Oct 5 for ADS



Scottish Rite Valley of Reading

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Soda



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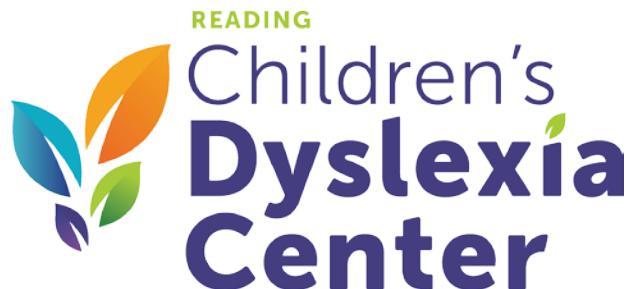


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