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From the Secretary's Desk

It's about 6:00 AM as I sit in my den beginning a new day and beginning a new Scottish Rite year...both look good as of this morning! I am anxious to get some things done today as well as anxious to get the 2018-19 Scottish Rite year underway. I believe we have some exciting times ahead of us...enthusiastic leaders and members...new projects to give the Valley some recognition...hopefully a roomful of new candidates in November...a renewed and closer working relationship with the Jaffa...and a renewed interest in Scottish Rite in general.

Now is the time to set aside a few dates throughout the year to attend either a meeting or a reunion of the Valley. Don't worry that you haven't been around in awhile...a lot of members are in the same boat! Just come out and enjoy the fellowship, see some brethren you maybe haven't seen in awhile, watch some great degree work (we're getting better each time we perform!), and the food is outstanding! We still meet on the 2nd Thursday of each month (September thru June) at 7:30 PM. We do have a homemade dinner available for \$5.00 beginning at 6:15 PM.

The Commander-in-Chief took on an awesome project last year by asking that each co-ordinate body in the Valley take on a "project" that either that body or the Valley and/or the community could/would be involved in. I have to admit, there were some skeptics who proclaimed that it would not be successful because "...we never did that before..." or "oh, that won't work...". But, it has started...the train is beginning to move down the newly-laid tracks and is picking up passengers as it goes. Look for related articles in this edition to find out what each body is doing to bring Scottish Rite Freemasonry to the forefront in the Valley of Altoona region.

Let's have a great year this year. Let's bring in a great class of Masons to join our ranks. Let's spread the word that Freemasonry is good and that we are proud to be a part of a wonderful organization!

More Lost Brethren

Brethren... Based on the last edition of the Trumpeteer (May/June) two things stood out: 1) I had 32 returned newsletters due to members being "temporarily away"; and 2) the following brethren had incorrect addresses with no forwarding address listed: H. George Russell, 706 N. Montgomery Street, Hollidaysburg; George Hunter Good, 303 E. Holmes Ave, 1st Floor, Altoona; James L. Griffith, PO Box 33, Lafayette, TN; Bryan Gail Freed, 201 Prescott Blvd, Youngsville LA; Joel Alex Zelenske, 592 Candlewyck Rd., Lancaster and George C. Thomas, 110 Ridge View Dr., Davenport, FL.. In an effort to keep the membership as informed as possible, we all need to do a better job of keeping the Valley informed. Each returned newsletter costs the Valley \$.48. Please let me know if you move. For those of you who go elsewhere during the winter, tell me when and where you are going and I can change your address and it will be forwarded to you. I don't want anyone to miss out!

Spring Reunion...

In my efforts to be current and to be certain that you were receiving our publication in a timely manner, I found that I was too good! You all received the May/June edition of the Trumpeteer before the Spring Reunion was completed! Well, as I write this apology to you all, it does give me a chance to reflect once more on what a successful reunion it was. The degrees were excellent! The 8° was great...we had a little help from our friends from Harrisburg, but our brethren did a more than commendable job...for conferring this degree for the first time ever! Congrats again! We also followed that up with the conferral of the 16°, a degree that we haven't done in a few years. And they did a great job as well. The other three degrees that were conferred "live" are not be missed in terms of congratulations.

All degree teams did a job that would be the envy of a lot of Valleys. I also think the attendance was up from attendance at the last couple of reunions; however, I must say that as I looked out over the auditorium (while I was reading a prologue for a couple of the degrees) that it must be somewhat discouraging to the brethren onstage to look out and see a nearly empty auditorium. Wouldn't it be a grand sight to see more of you in those seats? What does the Valley need to do to convince you to attend? Tell me... shoot me an email and give me some suggestions. Give me a call and tell me how to do it... Send me a letter and detail what needs to be done. We all have ideas...I know I don't have them all!! Let's see what we all can do to fill the auditorium and the stage! !

Abbott Scholars Announced...

The Leon Abbott Scholarship program concluded their review of applicants for 2018 and the Valley of Altoona was fortunate enough to have two recipients this year. Each recipient received a check in the amount of \$1,980.00 to be used as they see fit to continue their education. They include Mr. Dylan John and a member of our Valley, Bro. Tanner Huff, 32°. Mr. John's father, James, is a member of the Valley, having joined in the Fall of 2017. Bro. Huff was a graduate of the Altoona Learning Center and joined the Valley in the Fall of 2016. Congratulations to both! Both have been invited to the Fall Reunion banquet to be introduced to the Valley. Hopefully, they will have a few comments as well.

Correction...

In the May/June edition of the Trumpeteer, it was brought to my attention that the name of III. John R. Biddle, 33 was missed being congratulated as a 50-year member of the Valley of Altoona. Sorry, III. Bro. John!

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Elections...

In May of 2017, the Valley conducted the annual election of officers to lead the Valley through the 2018-2019 Scottish Rite year. Elected in the Lodge of Perfection were: Lawrence J. Bilotto, 32°, Thrice Potent Master; Christopher D. Pechtold, 32°, Deputy Master, Jordan W. Settle, 32° Senior Warden; and William P. Settle, 32°, Junior Warden. It should be noted that the Settles are a son and father act...for the first time ever, the son is leading the father! Officers who serve all bodies were also elected in the Lodge of Perfection. These included: Wayne M. Baggett, 32°, MSA, Treasurer; J. David Kline, 33°, Secretary; John R. Biddle, 33°, Trustee for a three-year term; Randy E. Smith, 33°, Member-At-Large for a two-year term. In the Council, Princes of Jerusalem Stanley E. Snyder, 32° was elected Sovereign Prince; K. Dwayne Kaufman, 32°, MSA was elected High Priest; Vernon A. Carey, 32° Senior Warden. In the Chapter of Rose Croix, the following officers were elected: Jack H. Speece, 33°, Most Wise Master, Leon Collins, 32°, MSA, Senior Warden, and Jason R. Nye, 32°, Junior Warden. The Consistory body officers were elected last year to serve a two-year term, thus, there were no elections held. Congratulations to all. The Valley wishes success to all and to all of their initiatives

Lodge of Perfection...Additional Focus on Patriotism!

The Lodge of Perfection, under the leadership of Bro. Larry Bilotto, 32° will stress patriotism as they will embark on a program entitled "Wreaths Across America." The Executive Board has approved and encouraged members of not only the Lodge of Perfection but also any and all members of the Valley in this endeavor. Although final plans are still being "tweaked," the plan is to take a bus (a charter) from the Jaffa to Fort Indiantown Gap just outside Harrisburg on Saturday, December 15th. Once there, they will participate with other groups in the laying of wreaths on every tombstone in the FIGMR Cemetery. Once completed, the Valley will cover the cost of a lunch at the Royal Oaks Country Club,

In addition to the satisfaction they will achieve, they will also get a T-Shirt and a baseball cap! The Valley will cover all the costs...all Bro. Bilotto is looking for are volunteers to sign up, dress warm, and make the trip to the Gap. He hopes to fill a bus of 50 for the trip. Sign up early so you don't miss out! Stay tuned, as additional details will be coming. What a great way to demonstrate our brotherhood and fellowship.

Officers Training Program...

By the time you read this, the 2018 edition of an Officers Training Program will have been held. Topics that were covered include: Comments by III. Jack Speece, 33° on the Nominating and Screening Committee; Bro. Jeremy Johnson, 32°, MSA, Director of Works discussed Reunion/Degree Planning, Degree Casts, the Book-End Concept and the Responsibility of Degree Masters; Bro. A. Brady Appleman, 32°, MSA discussed Officer Duties, Responsibilities, and Expectations of all officers. Additionally, new committees and assignments were reviewed by Bro. Appleman; Bro. K. Dwayne Kaufman, 32°, MSA led a brainstorming session on what we do with new members and how to get them involved in the Valley in order for the Valley to grow. Following the closing, lunch at Hoss's closed the day. I am sure the instruction was good, and the brotherhood was most beneficial.

Updated Website

Wow! You should take a look at the new website! Simply go to www.valleyofaltoona.org and one of the nicest, well-done websites I have seen in a long time will pop-up on your screen! Not to take anything away from our previous website and the work that was done there, but this is outstanding! A great deal of the credit goes to Bro. Jordan W. Settle, 32° who put it all together. He has been working on it and will continue to update it on a regular basis. If there is something you think should be on the website, the let either the Secretary or Bro. Settle know. There is some history, some links to other websites, officers names (as well as some pictures of them), current and upcoming events. A place for anyone to go to find out what is going on in the Valley. Check it out...you, too, will be amazed!

Valley of Altoona, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Officers - 2018 - 2019 Altoona Lodge of Perfection, 14°

Thrice Potent Master.....Lawrence Joseph Bilotto, 32°
Deputy Master.....Christopher Douglas Pechtold, 32°
Senior Warden.....Jordan William Settle, 32°
Junior Warden.....William Patrick Settle, 32°
Orator.....Phillip John Mentzer, 32°
Master of Ceremonies.....Ashley K. Sorge, 32°
Captain of the Guard.....Timothy J. Balconi, 32°

Altoona Council, Princes of Jerusalem, 16°

Sovereign Prince.....Stanley Eugene Snyder, 32°
High Priest.....Kenneth Dwayne Kauffman, 32°, MSA
Senior Warden.....Vernon Arthur Carey, 32°
Junior Warden.....John Paul Richards, 32°
Master of Ceremonies.....John Gilbert Myers, 33°
Master of Entrances.....Andrew J. Rand, 32°

Altoona Chapter of Rose Croix, 18°

Most Wise Master.....Jack Howard Speece, 33°
Senior Warden.....Leon Collins, 32°, MSA
Junior Warden.....Jason Russell Nye, 32°
Orator.....Gary Wayne Smith, 32°
Master of Ceremonies.....Richard Francis DeLozier, 32°
Captain of the Guard.....Arthur Stanton, 32°

Altoona Consistory, S.P.R.S., 32° (2016-2018)

Commander in Chief....Alan Brady Appleman, 32°, MSA
1st Lt. Commander.....David Alan Blackner, 32°
2nd Lt. Commander.....Alvin Edward Just, 33°
Orator.....Earl Joseph Hockenberry, 32°
Chancellor.....Evan Roscoe Waters, 33°
Master of Ceremonies.....Randolph J. Thompson, 32°
Engineer & Seneschal.....Joshua Matthew Kline, 32°
Standard Bearer.....David Eugene Dodson, 32°
Captain of the Guard.....Jeremy Ray Johnson, 32°, MSA

Officers, All Bodies

Treasurer.....Wayne M. Baggett, 32°, MSA
Secretary.....John David Kline, 33°
Tyler.....Members of the Knights of St. Andrew
Assistant Tyler.....Charles C. Campbell, 32°, MSA

Trustee - term ends 05/20.....James A. Yoder, 33°
Trustee - term ends 05/21.....John R. Biddle, 33°
Trustee - term ends 05/19.....Ronald R. Yoder, 33°

Member at Large - term ends 05/20...Randy E. Smith, 33°
Member at Large - term ends 05/21...Dean Alan Sipe, 32° MSA

Knights of St. Andrew

Venerable Master Kenneth..Dwayne Kaufman, 32°, MSA

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ALLEGIANCE

The Bodies of the Scottish Rite, sitting in the Valley of Altoona, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acknowledge and yield allegiance to the Supreme Council, Thirty-third Degree, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of

David A. Glatly, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander
 III, Thomas K. Sturgeon, 33° Deputy for Pennsylvania

ACTIVE MEMBERS OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL FOR PENNSYLVANIA

III, Thomas K. Sturgeon, 33°.....Pittsburgh
 II, George Nakonechny, 33°.....Perkasie
 III, Robert W. Barmen, 33°.....Clifton Heights
 III, Keith E. Parkinson, 33°.....Beaver

ACTIVE EMERITUS MEMBERS

Richard G. Hawk, 33°.....Elizabethtown
 III, C. Forrest Tisdler, 33°.....Elizabethtown
 III, Russell W. Baker, 33°.....Elizabethtown
 III, William L. McCarron, 33°.....Butler

The Council, Princes of Jerusalem, Bro Stany Snyder, 32°, Sovereign Prince, has undertaken a year long plan to provide aid and assistance to those less fortunate by promoting an ongoing food drive for the Altoona Food Pantry. Non-perishable foodstuffs can be brought to the Valley during both stated meeting nights as well as to the Fall Reunion. They will be held and then periodically delivered to the Food Pantry for distribution. All members are invited and encouraged to participate and help those in need. The body is working on some kind of a recognition program for those who donate. Details to follow!

Council, Princes of Jerusalem Unveils a Year-long Plan...

The editor of this publication is not normally one to highlight deaths, especially those who are not from our Valley, but this time he is making an exception. III Bro. Jeffrey W. Coy, 33° was an Active for our State. He was also a member of the Valley of Harrisburg. If you have ever attended a reunion in Harrisburg and heard the choir, it was being directed by Bro. Coy. Additionally, at the time of his death, he served our fraternity as the Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer. The most recent volume of the "Pennsylvania Freemason" has his picture on the cover and has a wonderful tribute to one of Pennsylvania's outstanding Freemasons. Take time to take a look at the August edition.

Passing of III Jeffrey W. Coy, 33° ...

The Reunion Coordinator, Bro. Earl Hockenberry, 32°, along with input from the Executive Board, have decided upon the degrees to be conferred at the Fall, 2018 Reunion. . Read more about III. Bro. Duncan elsewhere in this edition. There is also a Ladies program in the planning stages. Keep your ears open to find out the details...and bring your lady along!

2018 Fall Reunion - Schedule and Details...

Pennsylvania Council of Deliberation

The COD meets each year in July to conduct their annual business meeting. For the past two years we have met in the King of Prussia area. This is a meeting for all elected officers, past officers, MSA recipients, and Honorary Brethren. In addition to the business meeting, there are usually some interesting sessions scheduled for the brethren. This year, the Secretaries met and were witnesses to a very interesting program offered by Bro. George T. Taylor, IV, 32°, Associate Director of Membership & Valley Relations. He highlighted some of the new initiatives of the Supreme Council as it relates to membership and retention of members. The number of Scottish Rite members has dropped considerably over the last several years...as an organization, we need to do more to keep the world's oldest and finest fraternity afloat! The Directors of Work were also invited and spent an enjoyable afternoon under the direction of the Director of Work from the Valley of Pittsburgh, III. William Johnston, 33°. Several degrees were reviewed and much discussion on how to improve degree work in each and every Valley. The meeting also provided quality interaction among the Directors. It was very beneficial for our relatively new Director, Bro. Jeremy R. Johnson, 32°, MSA.

At the annual banquet, the 2018 MSA recipients received their jewel and their lapel pins.

From our Valley, this included Bro. Jeremy R. Johnson, 32°, MSA and Bro. N. Bruce Mentch, 32°, MSA. Additionally and finally, the two nominees from our Valley as recipients for 2019 were made known.

Congratulations to Bros. Christopher D. Pechtold, 32° of Warrior's Mark and Randolph J. Thompson, 32°, who makes his home in Everett. These brethren have been nominated for this prestigious award by the presiding officers of the Valley of Altoona. The Constitution of the Supreme Council provides that the Meritorious Service Award may be conferred upon members of the Scottish Rite, who, by reason of meritorious services of a Masonic character, are worthy of such recognition. The MSA can only be awarded by a state COD to a member in good standing for outstanding or significant services performed within the Scottish Rite. Recipients of the MSA are adorned with a Red Hat and an accompanying jewel.

Are your dues paid?...

Brethren all... to those of you who have already paid their 2018-2019 dues, thank you! It was nice to have the needed \$36,000+ to pay the per capita dues to Supreme Council and the Council of Deliberation. For those of you who have not yet paid, please be reminded that dues notices were sent out to you in late May or early June.

A second notice was mailed recently which, I must say, has generated a few more checks in the mail. Believe me, this all helps. However, let a couple of points be made: 1) each year we have a percentage of members who don't pay their dues...at all! Then after, 2 years of non-payment of dues, they are suspended. Please know that the \$36,000+ mentioned earlier is derived from the membership as of June 15th. So, not only do we not get a brother's dues, we also are charged the \$27.00 from Supreme Council and the \$3.20 from the Council of Deliberation each year. This has generated discussion by the members of the Executive Board. The Secretary was directed to investigate our by-laws regarding dues. What was found is that the Valley does not have to wait for two years before a brother is suspended for non-payment of dues. It can be as early as the January meeting following the issuance of dues notices. No decision has been made yet as to how the Valley will proceed, but it is worth keeping in mind. Please pay your dues! Second, and I have stated this many times: Supreme Council is making every effort to make it easy to pay your dues by paying them online. And your Secretary has been asking you NOT to pay your dues online! Each time dues are paid online 3.2% is deducted as a credit card fee. i.e. we lose \$2.08. Now, that does not seem to be a lot of money, but when a number of brethren do that, it adds up to a more significant number. So, take the time to send a check and avoid that deduction!

Consistory...Recruit, Recruit, Recruit...

As can be seen in the headline, the Consistory body of the Valley, under the leadership of our Commander-in-Chief, A. Brady Appleman, 32°, MSA, continues to focus on recruitment and maintenance of our membership. Additionally, Bro. Brady has assembled a cast for the old 26°, now referred to as the "Abe Lincoln Degree." He has taken the show on the road and plans for the Fall include performances at Woodbury Lodge on September 20th as well as three other performances scheduled. Although this effort does not involve all of the Consistory officers, it does emphasize the educational commitment and the recruitment effort. The more we share of ourselves, the more publicity we receive, and maybe we can spark some interest in finding out what Scottish Rite Freemasonry is all about. Remember, statistics show that nearly 75% of the Master Masons in Pennsylvania DO NOT belong to the Scottish Rite! We have a lot of work to do and this is one of the initiatives that may prove beneficial...if you haven't seen the play, watch for future performance dates and locations or simply ask the Commander-in-Chief at the next meeting!

Chapter of Rose Croix... Let's Help Those In Need

The Chapter of Rose Croix, initially spearheaded by Bro. James B. Walkingshaw, 32°, MSA, believes that education should be foremost in the minds of our members! To that end, the Chapter will be conducting fundraising efforts to support the Children's Learning Centers within the state. The Valley had a Dyslexia Learning Center for ten years before we had to close our doors due to a lack of funding support. Money was raised each year, but not enough to keep the Center open. Knowing what a difficult task fundraising can be, the officers have decided to lend a hand to the other centers across the state. If \$1,000 is not raised by year's end, the Valley has agreed to make up the difference between what we raised and the goal. They plan to support the cause in a variety of ways including solicitations at various locations and supporting several Walk-a-thons to create interest and help the community to focus on the educational needs of our children. Anyone interested in learning and doing more should contact our Most Wise Master, III. Jack H. Speece, 33°.

**Petition for Membership
ANCIENT ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY
Northern Masonic Jurisdiction-United States of America**

To the Officers and Members of Altoona Lodge of Perfection, 14, Altoona Council of Princes of Jerusalem, 16,
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SITTING IN THE VALLEY OF ALTOONA, PENNSYLVANIA

I, the undersigned hereof, humbly show that I am desirous of being admitted as a member of your honorable bodies, and request that I may be received among you, and I will ever pray for the prosperity and glory of the Fraternity and the welfare of the Brethren. In making this application I promise you on my word of honor that should I be elected and become a member of your honorable and Last Degree of the Ancient Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America, under whose authority the said body is now holden, and will support and abide by its Constitutions, Orders and Decrees; that I will hold allegiance and be loyal to the said Supreme Council as the Supreme Power of the said Rite within the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States; that I will hold as illegal and spurious every other body of whatever degree claiming to be of the said Rite, that may be established within its Jurisdiction, that is not holden mediately or immediately under its authority, and will hold no communication whatever in Scottish Rite Freemasonry with any member of the same nor allow him to visit any body of the said Rite of which I may be a member; and should I violate any part of this promise I consent to be expelled from Scottish Rite Freemasonry and to forfeit all my rights therein and in any body of the Rite, and be denounced to every body thereof in the world as a traitor and forsworn.

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Occupation: _____ E-Mail (PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY): _____

WE HEREBY CERTIFY THAT WE HAVE EXAMINED THE CURRENT SYMBOLIC LODGE DUES CARD OF THE ABOVE PETITIONER.

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Candidate's Telephone Number: _____ Cell: _____

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Received Degree of Master Mason in _____ Lodge No. _____, F.&A.M.

located at _____ on _____

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Fall Reunion -Friday, November 2, 2018

The Commander-in-Chief announced that this class will be named in honor of Ill. Duncan P. McIntyre, 33°

S c h e d u l e o f E v e n t s

6:00 PM Dinner In auditorium, with remarks and several presentations. The dinner will be coat and tie (tuxedos for officers) and "church dress" for the Ladies

7:00 PM Lodge of Perfection Opens Both the 4° and the 12° will be conferred via DVD in the AASR Lodge Room.

7:15 PM Ladies Program

9:15 pm Dismissal

Fall Reunion -Saturday, November 3, 2018

8:00 AM Coffee /Donuts Jaffa Shrine Center Dining Room Opens to all candidates and Members

8:30 AM Princes of Jerusalem Opens The 15° will then be conferred in the auditorium. The Chapter of Rose Croix will open, obligate the class and close before the Consistory body opens

10:20AM Consistory Body Opens The 22° will follow on stage. The class will witness the Introduction to the 32° via DVD in the Lodge Room followed followed by the on stage conferral of the 32°.

12:00 PM Lunch In conjunction with Jaffa

1:30 PM Closing of the Valley Activities Followed by the Jaffa Shrine Ceremonial

This all sounds like a BIG day for Freemasonry in Altoona. Why not make plans to attend and be a part of this. There will be no cost for the Friday evening banquet or the Saturday lunch! All you need to do is find a candidate or two to make the day an overwhelming success...so, get those petitions in to the Secretary!