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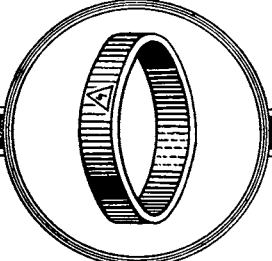
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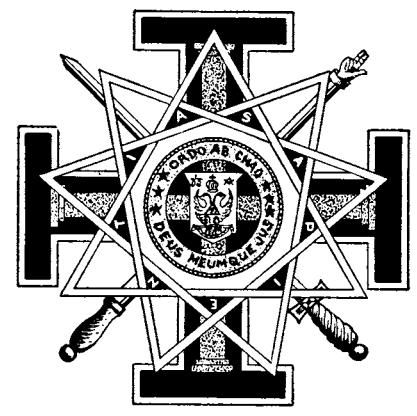
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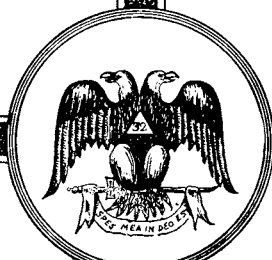
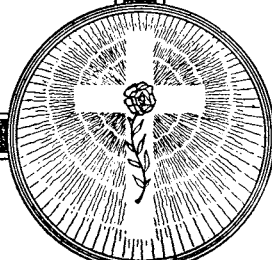


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NORTHERN MASONIC JURISDICTION
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF ILLINOIS

at its

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHTH
ANNUAL MEETING

Held at the Hotel Abraham Lincoln
Springfield, Illinois
Friday and Saturday, June 8 and 9, 2007

LEE B. LOCKWOOD, 33°
Ill. S. Commander-in-Chief and Deputy for Illinois

GREGORY R. KLEMM, MSA, 33°
Secretary

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*To the Officers and Members of the
Illinois Council of Deliberation, A.:A.:S.:R.:*

April 15, 2007

Dear Brethren:

In accordance with the provisions of Articles 200 to 209 inclusive of the Constitutions of the Supreme Council, you are notified that the One Hundred Thirty-Eighth Convocation of the Illinois Council of Deliberation will be held in the City of Springfield, Illinois, Friday, June 8, 2007 at 6:30 P.M., and Saturday, June 9 2007, at 8:30 A.M. for the transaction of business concerning the welfare of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry in the State of Illinois.

MEMBERS

Article 200 of the Constitutions of the Supreme Council defines those who are entitled to seats in the Council of Deliberation as follows:

“The Active, Emeriti, and Honorary Members of the Supreme Council accredited to each State; The Past First and Past Second Lieutenant Commanders of the Council of Deliberation; the Past Commanders-in-Chief of Consistories; the Past Most Wise Masters of Chapters of Rose Croix; the Past Sovereign Princes of Councils of Jerusalem; the Past Thrice Potent Masters of Lodges of Perfection; those members of Subordinate Bodes in the State who have received the Meritorious Service Award from the Council of Deliberation of such State, and the first three elected officers together with such other officers as are duly elected by a Subordinate Body and designated to be a members of the Council of Deliberation, as well as s the Treasurer and the Secretary of Subordinate Bodies, shall constitute a Council of Deliberation for that State of which the Deputy for that State shall be ex-officio Illustrious Commander-in-Chief.”

PROXIES

Article 201 of the Constitutions of the Supreme Council defines the use of proxies as follows:

“Any officer of a Subordinate Body of the rite who is entitled to a seat in the Council of Deliberation from his State, but is unable to be present at any session of such Council, may appoint as his proxy to act in his stead any member of such Subordinate Body, provided, however, that such proxy shall not represent more than one member of such Council.”

Presiding Officers are expected to attend in person. Any officer who is unable to attend may give a written authority to another member to act. The person so appointed must present his authority, in writing, to the Secretary of the Council, signed by the officer whom he represents.


The wearing of caps and jewels of office, both past and present, is requested.

Fraternally yours,

 **#** *L. W. Cochran, 33°*

*Illustrious Commander-in-Chief
Deputy for Illinois*

Attest:

 **#** *Gregory R. Klemm* , **MSA, 33°**
Secretary

Agenda

FRIDAY JUNE 8, 2007
(Central Daylight Savings Time)

- 9:00 A.M. Board of Directors of the Illinois Scottish Rite Scholarship Fund.
Governors Bond Room
- 1:00 P.M. JOINT HOSPITALITY ROOM - OPENS—*Freeport Room*
- 1:00 P.M. Valley Secretaries Meeting—*Executive Board Room*
- 1:00 P.M. ICOD Executive Committee Meeting—*Governor's Cabinet Room*
- 2:30 P.M. Valley Scholarship Chairmen Scholarship Award Meeting.
Governor Altgeld Room
- 3:00 P.M. ICOD Executive Committee & Secretary Joint Meeting
Governor Yates Room
- 5:30 P.M. Social Hour for Banquet—(Cash Bar)—*Lower Level, Convention Center*
- 6:30 P.M. Banquet—*Convention Center, Lower Level*
- Introduction of MSA Designees and Ladies
 - Presentation of Distinguished Service Award
 - Conferral of the MSA on 2007 Recipients
 - Announcement of the 2008 Nominees
 - Photo Session for the 2007 Recipients
- 9:00 P.M. JOINT HOSPITALITY ROOM REOPENS—*Freeport Room*

SATURDAY, JUNE 9, 2007

- 7:00 A.M. Mens' and Ladies Breakfast—*Salon C & D*
- 9:00 A.M. Business Session—*Salon A & B*
- Formal Opening
 - Reception of the Grand Master
 - Welcome by the Commander-in-Chief, Valley of Quincy
 - Announcement of the 2008 Council of Deliberation
 - Introduction of the State Master Councilor, Order of DeMolay
 - Introduction of Distinguished Guests
 - Response by the Grand Master of Illinois
 - Address of the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief
 - Response by the Sovereign Grand Commander
 - Acceptance of the Proceedings of the 2006 Annual Meeting
- 10:00 A.M. Committee Reports by Chairmen—*Salon A & B*
- 10:00 A.M. Ladies' Program—"Your Inner Artist": Learn rubber stamp imprinting
by Debra Burgin—*Freeport Room*
- 10:45 A.M. Recess of the Illinois Council of Deliberation
- Illinois State Scholarship Fund Meeting—*Salon A & B*
- 11:15 A.M. Reconvening of the Illinois Council of Deliberation
- Installation of Officers—*Salon A & B*
- 11:45 A.M. Adjournment of the Illinois Council of Deliberation
- 12:00 NOON Lunch—*Salon C & D*



Ill.: JOHN W. McNAUGHTON, 33°
Sovereign Grand Commander
Northern Masonic Jurisdiction



Ill.: LEE B. LOCKWOOD, 33°
Grand Sword Bearer
Supreme Council, NMJ
Deputy for Illinois



Ill.: JAMES L. TUNGATE, 33°
Grand Treasurer General
Supreme Council, NMJ
Active for Illinois



Ill.: BENNY L. GRISHAM, MSA, 33°
Active for Illinois



Ill.: JOHN T. PHILLIPS, 33°
Active for Illinois



Ill.: NORMAN R. BUECKER, MSA, 33°
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Ill.: ROBERT W. LASURS, 33°
Active Emeriti for Illinois



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ILLINOIS COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHTH SESSION

Friday, June 8, 2007

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

Our heavenly father who has bound us together bless we beseech thee this Council of Deliberation. We give thanks for the noble traditions of continuing inspiration of our ideals for its service to mankind. Grant us insight and courage and sound judgement. Save us from the tyranny of the non-essential, from undue concern for what is trivial and from the deadening pressure of the routine. Keep us loyal to the principles and ideals of the Scottish Rite and grant with patience we may labor from peace in the world and brotherhood among all men. Amen. Please join me in the pledge of allegiance to our flag.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was then given.

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

Ill.: James L. Tungate, 33° will you please come to the podium and introduce the MSA designates.

Ill.: James L. Tungate, 33°, Active for Illinois:

Good evening. I have the pleasure of announcing the MSA candidates for this evening.

Bloomington

Donald Gene Anderson

Chicago

Arthur R. De Baere
Frank P. Lasick, Jr.
James H. Oehler
Frank S. Winans

Danville

Ronald R. Boswell
Ronald R. Colwell
Mitchell L. Duszynski
J. Stratton Watson

Freeport

Donald H. Bolen
Bertil Person, Jr.

Moline

Richard David Hacker

Peoria

Gordon Ray Babcock
Howard Wayne Hoffman

Quincy

Gerald K. Cookson
(Deceased)

Southern Illinois

Robert Lee Carr, Jr.
Carl Eugene Hall
Kenneth Norman Overturf
Lee Roy Sauzek

Springfield

Kraig E. Sullivan, Sr.

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

Please place your meal ticket on your bread plate, after that, enjoy your meal.

DINNER

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

I would like to begin the program for after dinner. I have a note here for the ladies program tomorrow morning. The cost for supplies for this interactive presentation will be \$5.00, even money is appreciated. Boy do we have a deal for you, its going to be \$2.50 instead of the \$5.00 and will be in the Freeport Room.

When I originally ended up in this position, they told me I had to do something spectacular the first time I spoke before you all. So you would remember who I was, to make a name for myself, here is the deal, there are not going to be any introductions tonight. If you really have your heard set on introductions, you can come to the general session tomorrow. I will note that the Sovereign Grand Commander is in the audience. The next item on our agenda tonight is the presentation of the Distinguished Service Award. I would call Ill.: Homer L. Zumwalt to the stage. I would also note that this is Homer's swan song. He has decided to retire as the Chair of this particular committee. Homer, I tried to find out how long you have been doing this, frankly I couldn't find any records. How many years have you been doing this?

Ill.: Homer L. Zumwalt, 33°, Chairman, DSA Committee:

Its either 9 or 11 years.

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

I don't how you did that, 9 or 11, whatever. The Chair starting this next year will be Ill.: Donald L. Anderson, 33°, a past recipient of this award. So, with all that, Homer.

Ill.: Homer L. Zumwalt, 33°, Chairman, DSA Committee:

Thank you Commander-in-Chief. I believe I need a little assistance. I would ask Ill.: Donald L. Anderson, 33° to come up and help me bringing this person to the podium.

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief and Deputy for Illinois, Officers and members of the Illinois Council of Deliberation, ladies and distinguished guests, the Distinguished Service Award Committee received nominations from eight Valleys this year for this Distinguished Service Award. All were excellent selections, too bad we can not give more than one. Committee members rated the selections 1, 2, 3, 4 and on down the line. When we add up the ratings that determines the selection of the individual. The selection this year is Ill.: John A. Reining, 33°.

Brother Reining was born in Akron, Ohio on February 24, 1925. He attended the Freeport Public Schools and the University of Illinois. He married Anneta Minor in March 1960. They have two sons who are very active in the

branches of Masonry. He is an active member of Grace Episcopal Church. He is a member of the Elks Lodge, where he is a Past Excellent Ruler. He is a twenty five year veteran of the Freeport Rotary Club, a member of the Freeport Chamber of Commerce, where he served on many committees. He was involved in many community improvement projects. He is a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion.

His profession is aviation. He managed and operated the Freeport, Illinois Municipal Airport for twenty seven years, with satellite operations in Dekalb, Illinois and Monroe, Wisconsin and operated one of only two flight schools in Illinois with examining authority. The other being the University of Illinois. He is still involved in aviation as a FAA designated pilot examiner and safety counselor. He has given over six thousand examinations for pilot certificates.

Brother Reining was raised a Master Mason in Excelsior Lodge No. 97, Freeport on February 14, 1961 and is a Past Master. He also became a member of A. W. Rawson Lodge No. 145 in Pecatonica, Illinois in 1969 and is also a Past Master of that lodge. He has been active in degree work for both of these lodges. He also performs the Masonic Funeral Service.

In York Rite he is a member of the Freeport Chapter No. 23, being Past High Priest and a District Deputy High Priest. He is a member of Freeport Council No. 39, having been Thrice Illustrious Master twice and Past Grand Organist of the Grand Council. He is a member of Freeport Commandery No. 7, and been Eminent Commander six times and is presently Commander. He is a recipient of the York Rite Knight Cross of Honor and Knight Commander of the Temple Award. He is also Grand Organist and Soloist for the Wisconsin Grand Commandery and Grand Council.

John has been a member of the Valley of Freeport Scottish Rite since 1961. He is a Past Thrice Potent Master of the Lodge of Perfection, Past Commander-in-Chief of Freeport Consistory. He was Executive and Corporate Secretary for thirteen years. He is present editor of the Valley newspaper and has received several awards from the Supreme Council for the Valley of that size.

Brother Reining is an active member of Tebala Shrine and played in the Shrine band for many years. He is St. Elmo Chapter No. 460, Order of the Eastern Star and has served five times as Worthy Patron. He is also a member of the White Shrine of Jerusalem and has served as Watchful Shepherd two times and is presently organist for that organization. He is a member of Amarath in Beloit, Wisconsin, having served



Ill.∴ John A. Reining, 33°, 2007 Distinguished Service Award Recipient with Ill.∴ Homer L. Zumwalt, 33°

as Royal Patron two times and is Past Grand Royal Patron of Wisconsin. Brother Reining has served on the board for the Order of Rainbow for Girls, and the Order of DeMolay for Boys. He has received the Honorary Legion of Honor.

Other organizations which Brother Reining belongs to: he is a member of the York Cross of Honor; Holy Trinity Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine where he is a Past Sovereign and Past Recorder. He is a member of St. Francis Council No. 23, Knight Masons and is a dual member Tracy O'Gallery Council where he is Past Excellent Chief. He is member of Black Hawk York Rite College and currently Governor; Allied Masonic Degrees, US Grand Council; and a member of the Royal Order for Scotland.

Brother Reining continues to offer his talents to Freemasonry in these organizations. We congratulate Brother Reining on being this year's committee selection for the Distinguished Service Award for 2007. I don't know how he does all this but that is his life. Congratulations.

Ill.∴ John A. Reining, 33°, 2007 Recipient, Distinguished Service Award:

How do I even start this thing? Brethren, ladies, guests, I don't even know what I am doing up here. I look out on you brethren, I say now what I have said on many occasions, there are never enough award to award all you brethren. So many have done so much work. I trying to think back to when this award first started, the first recipient as I remember was Ill.∴ Paul R. Stephens, 33°. Any of you who knew Paul R. Stephens knew that he stood ten feet tall in this Illinois Masonry. The next year it was Ill.∴ Harry H. Hoyman, 33° from the Valley of Freeport. I feel really humble to stand here and get the same award as those brethren, because they both stood so tall. For you brethren who voted for me, I thank you very much. Oh, ya, I still get that drink for you. I feel so humble, I'm not going to just stand here and talk, belabor this thing and run it into the ground. It is really wonderful to get something like this. Thank you all so much.



*Ill.∴ John A. Reining, 33°, 2007
Distinguished Service Award Recipient*

Ill.∴ Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

If we could just get him active in something, we might give him an award.

HOSPITALER OFFERING

Ill.∴ Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

In the past it has been our custom to take a Hospitaler collection on this evening. A year or two ago, we got rid of the Hospitaler Fund and distributed it to our Learning Centers, so I can't call it the Hospitaler's Fund, but the Hospitaler is going to handle it. He is going to take up a collection tonight. What we have decided to do is contribute that money in the Sovereign Grand Commander's name to the charities of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction. Please be generous in your consideration. John, if want to start passing things out.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE 2008 MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD DESIGNEES

Ill.:. Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

Would Ill.:. Brother John T. Phillips, 33° come to the podium and announce the designates for the 2008 Meritorious Service Award which Ill.:. Brother Phillip C. Kenney, MSA, 33° prepares for the 2007 conferral.

Ill.:. John T. Phillips, 33°, Active for Illinois:

It is my pleasure this evening to announce the wonderful choices made by the Executive Committees of the Valleys for the Meritorious Service Award for conferral on June 28, 2008 in Peoria, Illinois.

Bloomington

Dennis Dale Garrigus

Chicago

Donald R. Carruthers
Noel J. Kallis

Danville

John M. "Jack" Dolan
David T. Richardson

Freeport

William E. Gambrel

Moline

Timothy J. Vice

Peoria

Arthur Wayne Williams

Quincy

James Burton Otto

Southern Illinois

Adrian E. Croissant, Jr.
Alvin Hugh Hensely
Ronald Coy Jestes

Springfield

Bryan K. Hutchcraft

CONFERRAL OF THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

Ill.:. Phillip C. Kenney, MSA, 33°:

In the year of 1937 when the Supreme Council of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America through its Committee on Constitution and Laws and the Committee on Rituals and Ritualistic Matters, recommended that each state in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction grant an award for distinguished service of a Masonic character, which should be conferred upon such members, who by reason of such distinguished service were deemed worthy of such recognition. This recommendation was adopted in Supreme Council. Beginning in 1939 the nomination of candidates for the Meritorious Service Award has been made by the unanimous agreement of the Presiding Officers from each valley. Those nominees who are elected can receive the award in their respective Scottish Rite Valley, but as we do it here in Illinois, in the Council of Deliberation. I am going to call on Brother Robert H. Orrill, 32°, MSA, Chairman of this Committee to come to the podium and again announce those names and with the assistance of your Committee, present on stage, those brothers, who have been elected to receive the Meritorious Service Award.

Brother Robert H. Orrill, 32°, MSA, Committee Chairman

Thank you Illustrious Sir. It is indeed my personal and fraternal honor to present the Meritorious Service Award class for this year.

Bloomington

Donald Gene Anderson

Chicago

Arthur R. De Baere

Frank P. Lasick, Jr.

James H. Oehler

Frank S. Winans

Danville

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Robert Lee Carr, Jr.

Carl Eugene Hall

Kenneth Norman Overturf

Lee Roy Sauzek

Springfield

Craig E. Sullivan, Sr.

*G. Robert Turner

*Not present, will receive the award at the 2008 conferral.

Illustrious Sir, these are the recipients of the Meritorious Service Award for the year 2007.

Ill.: Phillip C. Kenney, MSA, 33°,:

Let me first tell you that in regards to our departed brother, the records for the Valley of Quincy, the records of our Council of Deliberation in Illinois, and the Supreme Council of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite will reflect his name as having received the Meritorious Service Award.

Deputy Lee B. Lockwood, 33°
 Presiding Officer of Ceremony Phillip C. Kenney, MSA, 33°
 Chaplain James L. Tungate, 33°
 Presentation of Jewels and Caps Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°
 John T. Phillips, 33°
 Norman R. Buecker, MSA, 33°
 Robert W. LaSurs, MSA, 33°
 Lawrence D. Inglis, 33°

The Meritorious Service Award was presented to the Class of 2007.



2007 MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS

CLOSING REMARKS

Ill.∴ Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

The first count on the offering this evening is \$1,645.25. There will be a photo session for our MSA recipients right here as soon as we close down. We are about to do that.

The Illinois Council of Deliberation is will convene tomorrow at 9:00 a.m.

Saturday Business Session June 9, 2007

FORMAL OPENING

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

Good morning Brethren. Welcome to the One Hundred Thirty Eighth Session of the Illinois Council of Deliberation held this ninth day of June in the City of Springfield, Illinois. Please rise and come to order under the sign of fidelity. To the Glory of the Grand Architect of the Universe and in the name and under the auspices of the Supreme Council of Sovereign Grand Commanders General of the thirty third and last degree of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America and by virtue of the authority upon me conferred, I declare this session of the Illinois Council of Deliberation open for business. Please join me in the pledge of allegiance to our flag.

Pledge is given

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

In Masonic circles no great or important undertaking is begun without first invoking the blessing of deity. Brother P. Alvin Laird would you come forward and lead our devotion.

Brother P. Alvin Laird, Prior:

Let us pray. Grand Architect of the Universe, in whose appointment our life stands, and committed our work to us, we commit our care to you. We implore your blessing upon the Council of Deliberation and the business to be conducted here. We are thankful that as brothers we participate in part of the work that was given to mankind. We thank you that we are your children and that you have assured us that while we are intent upon your will, you will heed our wants. Fill us with that compassion for others troubles that comes from forgetfulness of our own with the charity of those who know their own unworthiness and with the glad hope of the children of eternity. To you, the beginning and the end, Lord of the living, refuge of the dying, be thanks and praise forever. Amen.

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

We are very lucky to have with us this morning, two outstanding Masons. We will hear from both of them before we are done. We need to go through the receptions however. Illustrious brothers Tungate and Phillips you will retire and present the Sovereign Grand Commander to the East.

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

Brethren, I have the honor of introducing, Illustrious .°. Brother John William McNaughton, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Northern Masonic

Jurisdiction. Please join me in according him the honors of one and four taking your cadence from me.

Honors were given

Ill.∴ Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

Illustrious Brothers Tungate and Phillips, you will retire and present the Most Worshipful Grand Master to the East. You might as well stay standing as you will just have to get right back up.

Brethren, I have the honor of introducing Ill.∴ Brother Noel C. Dicks, 33°, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois. Join with me in according him the Grand Honors of three times three taking your cadence from the East. Together Brethren

Grand Honors were given

Ill.∴ Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

We will hear from both of the gentleman before this morning is over. I have decided to stall off on the feature of today and let them wait for a moment or two.

INTRODUCTIONS OF THE YORK RITE BODIES

Ill.∴ Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

We have several other distinguished Masons with us this morning. Brother Don L. Sale, Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Illinois would you introduce your line of officers here this morning.

Brother Donald L. Sale, Most Excellent Grand High Priest:

I have with us this morning Brother Bruce W. Rhinehart, Right Excellent Deputy Grand High Priest; Brother Richard E. Yena, Right Excellent Grand King; Brother Edward E. Derry, Right Excellent Grand Secretary and Past Grand High Priest; Brother John B. Hall, Right Excellent Grand Treasurer and Past Grand High Priest.

Ill.∴ Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

Companion Richard T. Carnall, Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of Illinois; I believe you have some officers present this morning.

Companion Richard T. Carnall, Most Illustrious Grand Master:

I do, would the Grand officers please rise. Companion Dick J. Carroll, Illustrious Grand Recorder and Past Illustrious Grand Master; Companion James W. Patton, Illustrious Grand Chaplain; Companion Earl F. Wys, Illustrious Grand Conductor of the Council; Companion Arthur W. Williams,

Illustrious Grand Sentinel and Companion Ronald E. Fullerlove, Illustrious Grand Treasurer and Past Illustrious Grand Master and Illustrious Grand Recorder Emeritus.

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

Sir Knight William H. Brown, Grand Commander of the Grand Commander of Knights Templar of the State of Illinois. I believe you have some officers here today as well.

Sir Knight, William H. Brown, Grand Commander:

Yes sir, we certainly do. Will the officers please rise. I would like to present, Howard Wayne Hoffman, Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander; Sir Knight Robert K. Cronk, Eminent Grand Recorder and Past Grand Commander; Sir Knight Joseph W. Lucas, Eminent Grand Captain General; and Sir Knight Charles E. Hileman, Jr., Eminent Grand Senior Warden. As you can see, they are all very involved.

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

Sir Knight Brown, would you care to respond?

Sir Knight, William H. Brown, Grand Commander:

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Illustrious Sovereign Grand Commander, and distinguished East, looking out on this sea of faces, it would appear that everyone here is distinguished one way or another. The most distinguishing feature of all is the fact that you are Scottish Rite Masons. This is something to proud of. Certainly when I say that York Rite is proud of you. You can understand, we look at your successes, your struggles, and we hope we can be as successful. You have had a marvelous year. We look forward to a new year even better. I am proud to be a Scottish Rite Mason. Brethren, best wishes for a new year.

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

We have one or two others in the audience I am going to hold off introducing, the State Master Councilor is here and I have some special words to say about him. His Executive Officer Brian W. Golwitzer is out there. We will talk about those in a minute.

WELCOME BY THE HOST VALLEY QUINCY

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

Host Valley for this year is Quincy. Please welcome the Commander-in-Chief of the Valley of Quincy, Ill.: Michael D. Ewing, 33°.

Ill.: Michael D. Ewing, 33°, Commander-in-Chief, Valley of Quincy:

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Most Worshipful Grand Master, Illustrious Sovereign Grand Commander, I would like to thank you for allowing Quincy to host this year. We have had a lot of good hours in the last three days. I would like to thank our Commander-in-Chief for allowing us to come and welcoming us in such a nice way. He has made us most welcome. I would like to thank the Illustrious Actives and Active Emeritus for making us feel welcome as well. This is very new to me, I just became the Commander-in-Chief of Quincy last month. As my first official duty, I would like to welcome you all. I hope you all enjoyed the hospitality room. I would like to thank the Ill.: Steven L. Walls, 33°, the Secretary for the Valley of Springfield, who, without his help, none of us would have had anything to eat or drink last night. He did us a tremendous favor and I want to thank him personally. Thank you Illustrious Sir.

PLACE OF MEETING

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

The 2008 Illinois Council of Deliberation will be held in Peoria (next year) on June 28, 2008. We are going to try a little different format next year to see if that will work for us.

We will try to collapse it down to one day. We will have committee meetings in the morning and the General Session on Saturday afternoon. The banquet and MSA presentation will follow on Saturday evening.

We can make all of that happen. The concern is, that having the banquet and MSA presentation with nothing following the next day. Everyone is going to bail out and head for home, which means our bill at the hotel will be considerably smaller than it is now. This would mean that the hotel will not "comp" us anything and it will ultimately end up being more expensive to the Illinois Council of Deliberation. So you understand all of the rigmarole that gets tied up in trying to change the format of these things without losing our bank roll at the same time. One of the things we have talked about, but have not made a decision on where we might go for a vespers service on Sunday morning. Which we hope would encourage you and your spouses to hang around on Saturday night. If you want to give me some feedback on that later on, I'm sure you will have access to me and tell me about it. We would like to try the new format out next year in Peoria at the Holiday Inn City Centre, on June 28, 2008.

INTRODUCTION OF THE STATE MASTER COUNCILOR

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

For the first time as far as we can find, the State Master Councilor, the Order of DeMolay is a Scottish Rite Mason. So I would like Brother Eric Scanlan, 32° to come the podium and give us his words.

Brother Eric Scanlan, 32°, State Master Councilor, Order of DeMolay:

Before I begin, I would like to thank Dad Kenney who has been at our Conclave for the past several years in Eureka, Illinois. This is the first year he will not be able to make it. I would like to thank him for his service and to let you know that your per diem check is in the mail.

I am going to start off with a little bit of a story. A grandfather from the Cherokee nation was talking with his grandson. A fight is going inside of me he told the boy. It is a terrible fight between two wolves. One wolf is evil and ugly. He is anger, war, greed, guilt, selfishness, and arrogance. The other wolf is beautiful and good. He is friendly, joyful, kindness, generosity, servitude, and fairness. This same fight is going on inside each of you and every other human in the world. The grandson paused for a long time and finally asked, "grandfather, which wolf will win?" The elder Cherokee replied, "the wolf I feed."

I tell you this story to prove a point. That is what we are doing in DeMolay. We are trying to show young men to be feeding the good wolf. They should be following the good examples. Millions of young men have passed through the ranks of DeMolay. We hope that for the most part that have come out better for it. DeMolay is full of young men who are not only respectable young gentlemen, but they are also deciding to do something not too many have decided to do, they are trying to make themselves better. They are trying to make themselves better people through DeMolay.

I would like to invite everyone to my Conclave, the Illinois DeMolay Conclave which will be July 13, 14 and 15th on the campus of Eureka College as it has been for the past few years.

I wish you a good rest of the weekend and better end of the year.



*Brian Golwitzer, 32°, Executive Officer for Illinois DeMolay, and
Eric Scanlan, 32°, State Master Councilor*

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

Brian Golwitzer, you need to stand up and take a bow too, he is the Executive Officer for Illinois DeMolay.

RESPONSE OF THE GRAND MASTER

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

Most Worshipful Grand Master I would appreciate it if you would grace us with your remarks. You also have a line of officers accompanying you here today.

Brother Noel C. Dicks, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Illinois :

Thank you very much Lee. I certainly do appreciate this opportunity to address this dedicated group of Masons, who just happen to be Scottish Rite Masons. But, very dedicated at our level as well.

I sincerely thank you Brother Lockwood for the hospitality accorded to me, my officers and our wives. A strong example of the compatible relationship that exists between our two organizations. We are particularly impressed with the fellowship of the ladies and brethren and the sincerity of the presentation of the Meritorious Service Award ceremony last evening.

I offer my personal congratulations the MSA class of 2007, as well as the nominees for next year. I sincerely thank each of you and your wives for your dedication to our fraternal activities.

As Lee said, we do have some other Grand Lodge officers with us today. Just to show the unique fraternal chain which binds Scottish Rite to the Grand Lodge, I would like all the District Deputies and Committeemen who are serving me as Grand Master to please stand. A pretty good part of your membership Lee.

We also have with us this morning, several appointed line officers. I would ask them to stand too. The too serve me as Grand Master but they also serve the fraternity throughout the State of Illinois.

Our chain between the two organizations are strengthened by the fact we have several Past Grand Masters serving on the Council. We have with us today, Brother Norman R. Buecker, Brother Lawrence D. Inglis, Brother Benny L. Grisham, and Brother David W. Miller, the Past Grand Masters which also serve this portion of the fraternity.

We have all of the elected Grand Lodge Officers with us to support us, to support me in my travels in my communications with the various of the fraternity as well as the general public. We have two appointed officers which are sitting in on our Grand Lodge Board of Directors' meetings. I would like to introduce them at this time, we have Brother Anthony R. Cracco, Junior Grand Deacon,



Most Worshipful Brother Noel C. Dicks and Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°. Deputy for Illinois

and Brother Barry D. Weer, Senior Grand Deacon. Barry's Lodge has voted and made the nomination that they will submit Barry's name in October for the position of Junior Grand Warden. We look forward to that. Thank you Brethren.

My fellow elected officers, those who make the decisions which govern Freemasonry in Illinois, Brother Benny L. Grisham, who is also serving as an Active for Illinois, is a Past Grand Master is currently our R. W. Grand Secretary. Brother David W. Miller, current R.W. Grand Treasurer and a Past Grand Master; Brother Terry L. Seward, R.W. Junior Grand Warden; Brother Richard L. Swaney, R. W. Senior Grand Warden; and Brother Daniel C. Yandel, R. W. Deputy Grand Master for the State of Illinois, It is a joint effort of Masons and you will agree that Masonry in Illinois is in good hands.

Sovereign Grand Commander, Illustrious Deputy, distinguished East, and my fellow brethren; the topic I wish to address today is the Masonic Image or, who are the Masons and what do they do? I wish to call your attention to what I consider an important factor regarding the lack of a material growth in our fraternity over the past several years. It is no secret the membership and participation in the Masonic fraternity has been declining for approximately fifty years. Many Masons simply turn their heads and comment, well, its not our fault as Masons, all fraternal organizations are facing the same problems. That is just the complacent attitude of the current generation. Well, that may be true, but as interested members and leaders of our fraternity, our approach should be of a more positive nature. We must challenge ourselves to look for an opportunity to modify, correct, or even eliminate that attitude. As our committees of our various Masonic bodies address the issue of membership, they are all constantly seeking an answer to the same question. Why aren't our friends and relatives becoming Masons? Obviously, there not one simple answer. But, I ask you to briefly explore one possibility. That I think my shed a glimmer of light on part of the problem. Over the past fifty years of membership decline, Masons, little by little have become less visible in the daily life of our communities. Our Masonic image has faded. Yes, in the public's eye, we have lost a large measure of our fraternal significance. When you tell someone you are a Mason, how often have you been asked, "who are the Masons and what do they do." In other words, not only we do we have a loss in membership but more importantly there is a loss or lack of Masonic identity in our communities. The majority of our members apparently take the fraternities identity for granted, and have thus allowed the general public to forget how important the teachings of Freemasonry are to the fabric of society. The following statement is part of our declarations of principles. "Through the improvement and strengthening of the character of the individual man, Masonry seeks to improve the community." We must remember that what we do, for each other, our lodges and ourselves, reflects on the quality of life of our families in our communities. Masonry has much more to offer its membership than the opportunity to wear a lapel pin or ring indicating the fact that they are a Mason. We are a fraternity, a union of brotherhood. We must respect that bonding of Freemasonry. Masonry can not be and must not be kept inside the individual. It is a philosophy to be shared with others, through our experiences in lodge activizes. Experiences which will in turn overflow into and become a significant part of our personal and professional lives. Meaningful projects and programs place Masonic values into action should be the rule not the exception.

As we plan together, we must determine how a particular program, a meeting or event will improve and demonstrate our experiences with being a Mason as well as how it will be perceived by the public. We need to constantly invigorate our personal approach to Masonic involvement. Make it an experience which is rewarding, enriching and relevant. Not only to us, but that one that will reach out to others as an enticement to join our fraternity in order to become involved. Now is the time. The future of our fraternity rest on your shoulders, on my shoulders, on our shoulders, yes, our shoulders. Not just mine as Grand Master, Brother Deputy as Deputy for Illinois or Brother McNaughton as Sovereign Grand Commander, the man you see in the mirror is the man of the hour. He is the one responsible for the growth and revitalization of our fraternity. We are currently the custodians of Masonry's rich and valuable heritage teachings and are thus challenged to preserve them that they may be available to future generations. As we offer to share our love of Masonry with others, no we must never, no never compromise the basic teachings and philosophies of the fraternity. Regardless of the success of our current fraternal activities, we must continue our efforts. Even though we might be on the right track, we will be run over if we just sit still. We must go forward and continually strive for future growth. We must look for every opportunity to promote our fraternity to our members, as well as non members. We must give our current members a valid reason to maintain their membership, thus avoiding demits or suspensions for non payment of dues, two major reasons for our loss of membership. This may be by word of mouth, or the use of advertisements, and especially press releases of our fraternal and charitable activities in the community. According to an ancient Chinese proverb, Confucius says, "he who catches big fish, does not take alley on way home." As Masons, we too need to brag a little. We must continually beat our own drum. To remind a general public of the accomplishments of our fraternity and the sincerity and compassion with which we do these charitable deeds and works for society. As we strive together for this common goal, sharing fraternal love with others, we must never lose sight of the fact that the actions of each of us is someone's impression of the fraternity. Let us accept the challenge as individuals to subdue our passions, and improve ourselves in Masonry. It should become a personal goal, to once again to restore a positive Masonic identity to our communities. I feel that such an image will also have the potential of creating a desire for others to become involved and perhaps even seek membership in our fraternity. In addition, we must personally invite men of good moral character to join with us in our challenge to make good men better men. Thus will our fraternity be restored to the prominent role in society that it deserves. It will no longer necessary for the public to ask, just who are the Masons and what do the do? They will know. Thank you.

Thank you brethren, please be seated. Brother Lockwood, I once again thank you for the opportunity to address this august group and hope I challenged them a bit that the road ahead may be rough, but we can smooth it, we can repave it, but above all, we must restore our image of the fraternity. We will continually brag of our charities, but we must never forget the sincerity of brotherhood and fraternalism we have in our hearts for the fraternity. Thank you very much.

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

Grand Master, we accept your challenge. It is interesting that is some of the same conversation we had with various groups yesterday, changing the paradigm of our meetings, not only this meeting, stated meetings, and lodge meetings, and the rest of them so we get back to where its fun to go and not just a race to get through the minutes.

ADDRESS OF THE ILLUSTRIOUS COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

The next item of business just happens to be the Address of the Commander-in-Chief. If I can find him, we'll get started on that one.

My remarks are all published in what you have, I am going to highlight one or two items, maybe several items in here. I apologize for sounding a bit "preachy" but on the other hand, I'm not sure I do. What I need to do is get your attention. The Grand Master alluded to it, we need to get your attention focused on some things that need to get done. However, in my opening paragraph in the address you will find there, I found out that we are really endowed with Grand Master who has apparently been with us longer than anyone else, since 1892. Okay, flying fingers on the keyboard. Larry, you have served us in a number of capacities, but not since 1892.



Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief, Illinois Council of Deliberation and Deputy for Illinois

Changes during the Last year

Changes During the Last Year The last year has again been witness to a number of changes. Our Illustrious Deputy Lawrence D. Inglis, 33° moved to Emeritus status and I was elected to succeed him. Ill. Inglis served this Council of Deliberation for many years. Prior to that he spent a number of years as a Grand Lodge officer, serving as Grand Master in 1992. In 2005, as Grand Lieutenant Commander of our Supreme Council, he conducted the numerous meetings involved with Supreme Council and made trips to Lexington to help with administration during the illness of Ill.: Walter E. Webber, 33°, then our Sovereign Grand Commander. His dedication, knowledge and commitment, while still available to us, will be missed in an active status. With the retirement of Ill.: Inglis, we found the opportunity to call another fine talent to Active status: Ill.: John T. Phillips, 33°. Brother John finds himself in position to continue serving the fraternity in the exemplary way of his past. We all look forward to his excellent leadership in the future.

With the retirement of Ill.: Inglis, his staff of Deputy's Representatives retired. I subsequently reappointed them before they realized they were out of

a job. We currently have four Deputy's Representatives and as I call you name, please stand: Ill.: Ronald E. Fullerlove, 33° for Moline; Ill.: Kurt R. Grosse, 33° for Southern Illinois; Ill.: Michael B. Myers, 33° for Quincy; and Ill.: Barry D. Weer, 33° for Bloomington. Please join me in recognizing these fine brethren for their dedication to the craft. They are all reappointed for the succeeding year.

New Deputies frequently change the location of the headquarters of the Council of Deliberation, moving it to their home Valley. I chose to leave it in Chicago for a number of reasons, but most particularly, because the Valley of Chicago had Greg Klemm. Ill.: Greg Klemm, MSA, 33° is one of the great workers in this organization, and I fail to find adequate words to express my appreciation and amazement at the work that emanates from his office. Much appreciation must also be expressed for Ill.: Lee Bradley, 33°, working from the same office. The two of them accomplish much and frequently go unnoticed and unrecognized. Along with Milan Vydareny and several others in the Chicago office, this Council of Deliberation has benefited much. We all thank you.

Necrology

The Grand Architect of the Universe has seen fit to call home a number of our brethren in the last year. Our Prior, Brother P. Alvin Laird, 32° will now give tribute to our departed brethren. 32° Masonic Learning Centers for Children After a slow start in this state, Illinois has made significant progress in bringing Learning Centers on-line. Chicago, Freeport, Moline, Peoria, Southern Illinois and Springfield have a total of 108 children in programs. Danville is entering its construction phase and hopes to be in operation in 2008. Additional children will be served this summer as another round of tutor training gets started. Throughout the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, since it's beginning, this program has served over 5000 children, trained over 900 tutors, and currently operates 58 centers. This year 1570 children are enrolled, working with 555 certified tutors.

Youth Organizations

The Illinois Council of Deliberation continues to support the Rainbow for Girls, Jobs Daughters, and DeMolay. Elsewhere in these proceedings is a report on the Illinois Masonic Youth Foundation. In addition to the financial help we are able to provide, please support these organizations with your attendance and private contributions. They form a portion of the future of our great fraternity.

Membership

The most pressing issue facing Illinois Masonry is membership. When ever we start to discuss membership, everyone mentally shifts to thinking about recruiting. But we lose more members through suspension than through death. So as the discussion of membership unfolds, please keep in mind that our rate of acquiring new members offsets only a fraction of our losses from non-payment of dues. Yet we allow members to drop from this organization without so much as a phone call, proclaiming that they've received six notices and three letters informing them that they have not paid their dues and are in danger of suspension. We don't really know why they are leaving. We assume they are no longer interested if, in fact, they were ever interested.

So how do we insure that new members are integrated into our organization? No doubt every Valley, toward the close of it reunion, speaks specifically to new members about stepping forward to take part in those things that interest them—that they will receive from the organization proportional to what they give. Most of the time, nobody volunteers and we bemoan the fact that we can't get people to fill our casts and work on our committees. But if we wait for people to volunteer, we'll wait a long time. Let's move to something else: set up a team, perhaps officers, that spend a few minutes in one-on-one conversation with each new member. Show the new member where we need help and ask him which one he would be willing to cover for the next reunion.

Recruiting new members should be relatively easy. Grand Lodge will provide a list of new Blue Lodge members. Each Valley needs to have a "Friend's Night" or similar, and invite the new Blue Lodge members to attend where you can explain what Scottish Rite is and how we do it. But here again, a letter won't get the results. Start with a letter of invitation, but follow it with a phone call. Until you make one-on-one contact, the individual feels he is being treated as "one of the herd".

Taking the new Fourth Degree "on the road" is absolutely vital. We have to take the "product" to the "customer" until he's interested enough to come to us. Valleys that have used the Fourth Degree as a recruiting tool find great acceptance and have yielded startling results—up to half of a class has been recruited from taking the Fourth Degree out into the Valley. So each Valley needs to plan to take the Fourth out into their Valley at least twice before their next reunion.

Degree Presentation

The visual portion of our "product" is, and always has been, meaningful portrayal of our degrees. We cannot allow the quality of degree presentations to degrade. We have great talent in the Valleys, and newer members bring perspective that we cannot do without.

The Ritual Committee has spent considerable time and effort to reduce the minimum cast size and to reduce the run times. Yet we find numerous situations where parts are being read and que cards are taped to the portions of wardrobe that members think are not obvious. Unfortunately, it is obvious. The result is that the overall performance is less than you have already demonstrated you can produce. Participation in a cast, by definition, requires some memorization. So let's see if we can tune things up to the level we know we have the capability to produce. At a time when we're pushing membership recruiting and retention is not the time to degrade our valued performance.

Conclusion

Challenges are just opportunities in disguise. In a volunteer organization we have to balance the needs of the organization against the resources (time and commitment of our members) available. At critical times such as this, we need to be careful of the loads we ask members to carry. But we also need to aggressively assess the resources we have. Our members will respond if they feel the need is legitimate. And all that requires a level of leadership that you have proven you have.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

I'm going to move onto committee reports. I plan to bundle some of these reports together as we have done in the past years. I skipped over something. I need a motion to accept the *Proceedings of the 2006 Annual Meeting*. This the bound book. If you have not seen it, there are some copies here.

*Motion to approve the Proceedings came from the floor.
Seconded and Passed.*

APPROVAL OF PREPRINTED COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

I am going to bundle the committed reports. The first bundle is the Report of the Distinguished Service Award Committee; the Committee Assignments for 2007-2008; the Honorary Membership Committee; the Hospitaler Report; the Meritorious Service Award Committee; Appeals and Grievances Report; Introduction of Distinguished Guests Report; Jurisprudence Report; and the Public Relations Report.

These reports were all preprinted in the Preliminary Reports and you have all undoubtedly have read them.

*Motion to approve the Reports as printed came from the floor.
Seconded and Passed.*

Editor's Note, these reports are printed in full starting on page 46

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

The second group of reports I actually split out were the report from the Illinois DeMolay Foundation Representative and the Report of the Illinois Masonic Youth Foundation Representative. I split those out only because those are the reports specific to the youth organizations that get our support through Grand Lodge. If anybody has any questions or comments on those reports, I want to bring those to the floor so you could comment. Any discussion about the two youth representative reports? They are published in the Preliminary Reports. Hearing no discussion, I will entertain an motion to accept those reports.

*Motion to approve the Reports as printed came from the floor.
Seconded and Passed.*

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CREDENTIALS REPORT

Ill. : Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

Credentials Report, Ill. : Gregory R. Klemm, 33°.

Ill. : Gregory R. Klemm, MSA, 33°, Secretary, IL COD:

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, we have 242 registered members of the Illinois Council of Deliberation. Our banquet and attendance this year were up 36 over last year.

Ill. : Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

Do we know what the total was last night? I hate to ask how many meals we paid for, lets just talk about the how many were here.

Ill. : Gregory R. Klemm, MSA, 33°, Secretary, IL COD:

There were 430 total in attendance last night. Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, I move acceptance of this report.

Secoded and Passed.

APPROVAL OF PREPRINTED FINANCIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ill. : Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

The fourth block of reports were our financial reports, the Treasurer's Report, the Finance Committee's report, and the Audit Committee. As it turns out, none of the Chairs of those committees are present this morning. I don't know if that is a harbinger of things I should look into. When the finance guys don't come in, you begin to wonder. Those reports are printed in your Preliminary Program booklet. Does anyone have any questions, particular those we might be able to answer?

Ill. : Gregory R. Klemm, MSA, 33°, Secretary, IL COD:

Commander-in-Chief, I would like to comment on that the Chairman of the Audit Committee has just had eye surgery. So that is why Stan Boyd could not be here.

Ill. : Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

Sounds like an alibi to me, I don't know. If there are no questions or comments on those reports, hearing none, I would entertain a motion to accept these reports.

Motion to approve the Reports as printed came from the floor.

Secoded and Passed.

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APPROVAL OF PREPRINTED SECRETARY'S COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

Brother Secretary, do you have a report that you would like to give at this state of the game? No, the Secretary does not want to give a report at this time.

Ill.: Gregory R. Klemm, MSA, 33°, Secretary, IL COD:

The Secretary's Report is printed in the Preliminary Program and I move acceptance of that report.

Seconded and Passed.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MEMBERSHIP

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

The Membership Committee Report, I would like to ask Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, 33° has a few words and then Ill.: Russell L. Schlosser, 33°, is going to have a few more words.

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, Active for Illinois:

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Illustrious Sovereign Grand Commander, distinguished East, and my brethren all, if you will turn to page 9 of the Preliminary Reports, you will see the Report of the Membership Committee. I am not going to read that.

I will call your attention to a couple of items in that report. First, the Grand Lodge actually raised almost 1,500 men, it was 1,499 during the fiscal year, or since May 31 of last year. The number continued to rise after I had written this report. Some twenty years or so ago, when Illustrious Brother Ingles, Buecker and I worked on membership for Scottish Rite we always heard this story. If the Grand Lodge would just let us use the list of members we



*Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°,
Active for Illinois*

would have all kinds of new members in the the Scottish Rite. The Grand Lodge has been allowing the use of that list, and furnishing it to the Secretaries of the Valleys, now for some three years, pretty liberally furnishing that list. But, it did not solve our problems for some reason. I know that every Secretary has requested the list. I would encourage you to use that list, and not by just mailing. Again, we are a fraternity, if all we can do is mail, well we can mail order just

about anything. The non members can mail order just about anything. We are a fraternity and we need to emphasize that, and utilize that, which means personal contact. If you haven't gotten a recent list, I would the Secretary of the Valley to request it and use it. We have also share our entire membership data base with Illinois Council of Deliberation subsequently with Supreme Council. Supreme Council compared the list and now have furnished a list with every non Scottish Rite Mason in Illinois. That will be distributed to the Valleys very quickly. At first, we were going to wait until the new membership program was issued to the Valleys, and had men trained to work the membership program, but we are now going to send the list out. Again, I would urge you not to do the mail order stuff. We need personal contact and be a fraternity like we really are.

My report if you read it is somewhat dismal. We did have lackluster results in membership last year. As a Council of Deliberation we took in about 315 members. In my mind and of course I have been around forever, in my mind that is really a bad number. We can not blame anyone but ourselves. We are not doing something right. We can't continue to do what we are doing. We have to make some real changes. There is a message there. If we can't even get new Masons to be interested in Scottish Rite then we have not got the right product. We need to change something. That will be emphasized later I'm sure in additional remarks. Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, I move acceptance of this report and submission into the Proceedings.

Seconded and Passed.

Editor's Note, this report is printed in full starting on page 76

BRIEF OUTLINE OF THE NEW MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM

Ill. : Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, Active for Illinois:

It is now my pleasure to present to you someone who is not known by this group at all. A complete stranger that knows nothing about membership. He is a little shy, you may have to nudge him along as he gets into his report. His name is Ill. : Russell L. Schlosser, 33°, Russ would you please stand. Russ is going to present a brief outline of the new membership program that we are piloting here in Illinois. Russ is Chairman of the training committee. He is going to train some of our members around the state to work this program. Russ, if you are not too shy, please proceed.

Ill. : Russell L. Schlosser, 33°, Chairman Membership Training:

Sovereign Grand Commander, Commander-in-Chief, Most Worshipful Grand Master, distinguished East forgive me for turning my back on you. We have a new training program that is going to be involved around generation of the membership idea. Like every true Masonic program it is full of ceremonies, cloaked in allegory. So I have a small story to explain the allegory it is cloaked in. We need this story so that I can turn on some of my equipment and garner some time. This story actually takes place at one of the major universities. This could be any university, but this just happens to take place at an university within the Big Ten. It could be at any university, it could be at the University of Indiana. It

could have been the University of Illinois. It just happens to be at the university that will be next year's national champion in football, the University of Michigan. Its a fact. There are three religious leaders. There is a protestant minister, a Catholic Priest and there is a Jewish Rabbi. They were having a gathering of students who were having some depressing times because of studies and things like that. Of course they tried to lead the discussion into the fact that religious understanding will lead you to a better understanding of the devout idea of education. Unfortunately, the students led the discussion to the subject of just who is the hardest group to minister to? The students came up with the idea that the



Russell L. Schlosser, 33rd, Chairman of Membership Training

wolverine would be the most difficult group to minister to. The ministers now had the problem of living up to their own idea. So it was agreed that during the week the ministers would go into the woods and find a wolverine or a group of wolverines to minister to. They would preach the word of God and would find out if it is more difficult to teach wolverines or students. So the students regathered after a week and slowly, slowly, walks in Father O'Malley. He has himself bandaged up and he has a severe limp. See said the students, we told you the wolverines were tough. Father O'Malley said, "Oh, you can not even believe tough. I started talking about the word of the Lord, while trying to pull him out of his hole. I had to actually reach in and physically pull him out. He fought me all the way, like you do many times. Then we got down to the point where I was trying to explain to him how the love of Christ could come into his life, and again he fought me courageously. So, I had to take out my holy water sprinkle it on his head. As soon as the water touched him the love of Christ came into his life. He sat down and I found him much easier to minister to than students." With crutches, in walks Reverend O'Connor. The students ask, was it really that bad?" Reverend O'Connor said, "us protestants don't sprinkle, we immerse. I had to wrestle that wolverine down the side of the hill and have him dunked into that creek. But, as soon as he was dunked in the creek, the love of Christ came into his life, he opened up his heart and it was filled up with the word of the Lord." At that particular moment, Rabbi Schwartz was rolled into the room in a wheel chair. His right leg was out stiff. His left shoulder was in a cast. The students said, "My God, was it that bad?" Rabbi Schwartz said, "Ach, now it was really that easy. When I looked down into that hole and I explained to him how Noah built the Ark and saved his relatives. He came out with the knowledge in the eyes. I told him the story of how Joseph was sold into slavery by his brothers and tears appeared in his eyes. He then rejoiced that he found out that the twelve tribes were allowed to come into Egypt and to save themselves from famine. We were perfect, right up to the circumcision."

When I was told there was a new training program and we had the opportunity to sit down and actually see this program. By the way, I am using the new

Powerpoint 2007, I would highly recommend, don't. There was a time when Microsoft was in my life twice a month, now its not, don't buy it. If you are wondering about that new Vista, I can assure you, Mac is better. But, there is no bitterness in my life.

As a trainer I sit down and looked at the introduction, the transition from one subject to another, take a look at the objectives, take a look at what we actually are trying to achieve, I don't really take a look at "content" as much as the "flow" of information which worked out real well. Then I started looking at the content that was presented to us. I don't exactly know how to explain my reaction to the content, but it was something like this: what?

You'll be glad to know that I have spent a lot more time looking at the content and his has changed a bit. This is interactive, so I need you to write down a few things for me. So take out your pens, get yourself a blank piece of paper. This is the group participation part, so work with me for God's sake. This is supposed to be a BRIEF presentation, so work on me with this. Write down these three numbers: 100, 49, & 15. Write down those numbers, we will be needing them throughout this short, brief presentation, 100 what's the other number,? 49, and what's the next number? 15. Here is the answer to every question I will ask you. Write this down, No. That's N, O, no. Are you ready? This is the group participation part. What's the first number? (100) Do you want to know how many possible new members the Grand Lodge has? (100 million) There are 100 million adult men between the ages of 18 and almost dead that could be Masons. Do we want all these men to become Masons? (No) We don't need all those people. We just need what? (a few, more, than we have) By the way, how many Mason are in the State of Illinois that don't belong to the appendant organizations like the Scottish Rite? (49,000) Forty nine thousand Master Masons in the State of Illinois that don't belong to any appendant organization. Do we want all of them to join our organization? (No) We only need a few more. Fifteen hundred (1,500) new Master Masons were raised last year. The have just learned the joy of the first three degrees. Do we want them to immediately to join the appendant bodies? No, doe we hope that they will? Yes, but do we really need the all? No, just a few more. We are going to do a paradigm shift. No, were not going to do a paradigm shift, because that's an old word. We are going to do a rethinking, no we're not because that's a new word. We are going to use a new word on you called SILO. I have no idea what it means. When I heard that I said, "what the Hell is a SILO?" Well, I'm thinking in the middle of Illinois, so, I have to have a SILO. It sort of creates a mental image. I'm familiar with allegories, I familiar with ceremonies, what the Hell is a SILO? There is new philosophy in business, that indicates that SILOs for those of you that are not database orientated SILO's are just a storage area for a lot of information. For those of you who are data based orientated, I find that based upon generation gaps and like that, that you have no imagination. You don't have any idea of what is illegal, you just store stuff. How many of you are involved in data base or have someone related that is? I apologize. Now that you have been identified, you have to admit they are rather limited in their insight. SILOs allow for us to take a look at the different parts of our organizations that we have funneled our resources to. In our Masonic organizations, we call that a committee structure. So we take these committees, we assign the specific objectives, we give them a certain amount of resources and they are designed to achieve that particular goal. If they achieve

their goal, the organization hums and progresses. If it all worked that way. We rename the committees and call the SILOs with certain allocated resources. Business has a tendency, like us, to move towards catastrophe to really reallocate resources. Such as, large companies look at what we've got, we have small profits so we have to reallocate our resources by removing people. Having been one of those people, screw you! but a catastrophe has to take place for that reallocation of resources in order to achieve company goals. So, if take this illustration and allusion to our fraternity, what's our catastrophe? Membership. It is not that we dissolve SILOs. You can't just delete them. But we reallocate resources towards the catastrophe. So we have to take a look at the different SILOs and say, here is your job, take the resources allocated to you and point it towards our goal. The idea here is not to remove the reception committee. The idea is that your resources, your manpower and all of your energy needs to be focused on membership. Not the gaining of membership, not the retention of membership, but the fulfillment of our membership. It is not your job as the budget committee to budget the money but to allocate those resources toward the catastrophe. Not to solve the catastrophe but to allocate resources towards that. So when we take a look at these different areas, it is not designed for us to design a program that our catastrophe is now under control. Our job is to reallocate the resources of our SILOs to function within that idea. Do we need all the Masons in Illinois to join the appendant organizations for our problems to go away? No. If would be nice if a few more of them joined. But that is not their problem its ours. It would be nice if out of the one hundred million men out there that they would open their hearts based upon the glory of the Lord and find us. They won't, we don't need them to, we just need a few more. Its not their problem, its ours. Wouldn't it be nice if the fifteen hundred new Master Masons said, "this is so beautiful, I want more!" That they want more and want to seek out more. That would be nice if that happened. Will that happen? No.. Do we need it to happen? No, we just need a few more, its our problem not theirs. So when we identify this, lets open our SILOs and say what kind of resources can we allocate? What do we have to do? We outline this in a couple of different ways.

I would like to call your attention to the upper left hand corner of the slid. You will notice that there are four logos up there. Why, because this is a presentation glorified by ceremonies and cloaked in allegory and can apply to all of them. But specifically to the one your associated with more that anything else. Take a look at whatever logo up there and say, this looks impressive that I am going to take those resources and move it. I tell you, whatever one gets strong, we all get strong. If all our resources are focused towards the Blue Lodge, then guess what, we are going to get strong. If all of our resources are focused to our individual needs then it all has to come back to the beginning. It is one of those profound things that you wake up and say, boy I am glad I have been told this after forty years.

We are going to look at acquiring new members. Why, because you can not give up. You can't simply say the problem is not retention so we have to give up the recruitment because we still have to bring them in.

By the way, you are really good at this. I don't care what anybody says. We are really good at this. When we take a look at what we do, in the Blue Lodge, in the Scottish Rite, the York Rite and Shrine, we are really good in convincing people

to join. We have been. We should not be ashamed of it. We should be very proud of it. We continue to do this. However, we need to allocate some resources to some other area. So, those of us that have been convinced that we get people in and then pat them on the back and say excuse me while I go get some more. We are very good at it. We are going to have to stick around a little bit longer and say, did you really, really, really like it? Then we have to take a look at the people which have been trying to assimilate. We have activities, so we have to have all this other stuff. Do we have to keep all of the members? No.

We are going to talk to you in the section about generations. We have been talking about this for a long time. The Baby Boomers, the new millennium, the acquisition groups, and everything like that. We are really good at this. We can identify this. I am still looking for the God Damn generation I belong to. I don't fit the mold. According to me, I'm not supposed to be here. Because there is nothing you've got that I want to have. I'm in that generation that basically says that if it does not come out of a microwave, I not going to eat it. I'm too young to be part of the Baby Boomers which says, I've been around for a very long time. My parents gave me more than my dad had. I'm to old to be part of the generation which says mine, mine, mine, mine, mine, mine. I don't know where I belong. Thank God you let me stay here. Its your fault.

By the way, are we going to end suspensions, are they going to go away? No, they are not. Why, these people who are joining are just not going to stick around. Its the way they are. The say, what do you have? I like what you have. They come in, the see what you have. Then they say, its been nice, see ya later. That is the way they work. I call it the Phantom of the Opera problem.

I don't know if any of you have had the opportunity to go to the Phantom of the Opera or come to the big City of Chicago and go to one of those big plays. It is a wonderful event. You spend about \$300 to buy the tickets to these things. You ask yourself why, because everyone is going. Of course, you have to take someone with you. Because I don't have a wife and you have to take someone with me and I explain to them that I just spent \$300. They say, I have to have a new dress, a new bag and new shoes and now you have another \$400 wrapped up in an outfit. You can't just take them to the show, you take them to dinner. Since you spent all this money you take them to a place that's nice. Now, you have another 120 bucks wrapped up in dinner. You live in Chicago so its another 30 bucks to park your car. Then you go and watch the play and its phenomenal. It is phenomenal. You stand after the thing is over and applaud for thirty minutes, they come out for two calls. It is wonderful. You walk away feeling fulfilled. Then a year from now they send you a bill. You were here a year ago, we've sent you a renewal fee. You look at the bill and say, "are you nuts? That was a year ago, I've not been back, I'm not going to pay it. It was a nice show when I saw it, but I'm not going to pay it." I call it the Phantom of the Opera. Its the generation which comes in and takes a look at your three or four years and quits. Are they bad? No, they are normal. I'm not, they're normal. Do they stay forever, no. But we could keep them for a couple more years. By allocating some resources to investigate what we need to do in our SILO to provide them some connectivity. Will we bring in five and kick out three? Probably. They are going to say, I haven't been there for a year! I'm not going to pay the bill. But, we could lengthen the process. Then we will be in a different position.

We are also going to take a look at enrichment. Where do we allocate resources to keep them entertained. The new generation, this new generation, watch out for them. They want to take over. They want to come to the meetings. They want to ask questions. They are expecting answers. Be careful of them. Watch out! If you let them into the leadership, they will take over. Watchout! I've got my eye on you. I know you want it. You've got your eye on our money, if we have any.

If they left us, does it mean they don't like us? Just because I went to the Phantom of the Opera and I enjoyed myself, does that mean I won't go to Le'Miserables? Does it mean I won't go back to the theater? Will they come back to us? When we give them something they want to see. Does that make them bad? Does that make them the lost son which come back? Are you familiar with the story? Of the Father, that lost a son who wanted all of his money now. Then he squandered it. His other brother stayed on the farm. When the other son found out that the people that work at his father's feet live better than I am living. It would be better for me go back and work at my father's feet than to live and starve with nothing. He comes back and his father says, kill the calf, bring out the festivities, my son has returned. Wouldn't it be nice if we did the same thing. Will they come back? Yea, why not let them back? Don't give it to them. We don't have to give them amnesty. All we have to do, do what we do best and enrich peoples lives. There is nothing wrong with us. We are doing the right thing. We are not the goofy ones that believe wearing these hats and these jewels and making our lives better by sharing with our fellow man, charity, brotherhood, tolerance, rejoicing in their prosperity, and trying to ease their welfare. You are good, you're real good. All we have to do is tell our friends that they will be welcome at our table.

That's the sum of our presentation, that should takes us about four hours. You're done. Contact the Secretary's office to schedule us to talk to your group. Any group. You put them in front of us, and we will do our best. However, there is a problem with training. A big problem with training. You send us a dud. The only thing we are going to send back to you is a trained dud. There has to be a strong commitment here. You don't have to change the world. You have to reallocate resources to provide an enrichment that you already have. Its up to you. I do the best I can. When did I become the Chairman of the Trainers? Later? Commander-in-Chief, thank you very much.

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

What can I say after that? You would not believe the conversation when Ben calls and says he wants to put Russ on to do this. Never mind, we won't go there. Thank you Russ, I really do mean that, thank you.

NECROLOGY

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

Brother Laird, I think we need a Necrology at this point.

Brother P. Alvin Laird, 32°, Prior:

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Illustrious Sovereign Grand Commander, Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Illustrious Active Members of the Supreme Council and Members of the Illinois Council of Deliberation

Would those who are able, please rise. Let us pray.

Oh God, you have ordered this wonderful world and know all things in earth and in heaven. Give us such faith that by day and by night, at all times and in all places, we may without fear commit ourselves and those dead to us to your never failing love, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Brethren, in this brief time, set aside during the Annual Session, we are gathered here to give thanks to God, praise God and to witness to our faith as we celebrate the lives of our brethren who have gone before us. Let us cultivate assiduously the noble tenets that they professed—brotherly love, relief and truth and rededicate ourselves to those virtues, as we hear their names read.

Valley Name	Date of Death	Member Name
Valley of Bloomington	November 2, 2006 December 21, 2006	William R. Barndard, MSA William C. Roseboom, 33°
Valley of Chicago	March 26, 2007 April 29, 2006 July 12, 2006	Warren S. Lindvig, MSA George C. F. Niemann, MSA Emory D. O'Bryan, MSA
Valley of Danville	March 18, 2007 February 28, 2007 October 20, 2006 December 18, 2006 July 19, 2006	William B. Barnes, 33° Sammy J. Bundy, MSA Gayle H. Cravens, MSA Fred L. Hubbard, 33° James R. Lewis, MSA
Valley of Freeport	October 17, 2006 February 22, 2007 June 16, 2006	Thomas J. Andersen, 33° John w. Mathews, 33° Robert L. Pinnow, 33°
Valley of Moline	None	
Valley of Peoria	December 29, 2006 February 7, 2007	John R. Reeves, MSA M. Richard Weiman, MSA
Valley of Quincy	June 16, 2006	David W. Montgomery, 33°
Valley of So. Illinois	November 11, 2006 June 29, 2006	William R. Popkess, 33° Paul S. Rongey, Sr., MSA
Valley of Springfield	April 7, 2007	Rolland F. Tipsword, MSA, 33°

Each person here has special memories of one or more of these brethren. I have special memories of Dave Montgomery. He was very active in many aspects of Scottish Rite Masonry. He was well known for his original approach to Consistory degree work. His "ad libs" seemed to be the result of sudden impulse. He once admitted that it took a long time to create them. Dave was very active in community life including the Vermont Street Methodist Church. Keep the lives of our brethren fresh and green in your memory.

While the number of those we honor today is not as large as one might expect, (and we are grateful for that) we still mourn the loss of our brethren, not because we fear for their future, but because we will miss them. We will miss their contributions to our lives that mean so much to us. We should not selfishly cling to them, but celebrate their passage into greater glory.

While we may not have known every brother honored here, each one is remembered and honored by those who knew him. Their labors of duty and love in this mortal world are ended and they now see clearly their path to the ineffable light of God's presence.

Masonry teaches that we steadily climb onward and upward toward broader horizons, loftier planes of thought and nobler conceptions of Deity. The deity that breathed into man his immortal and eternal soul has drawn the souls of our brethren to Himself.

Let us remember that our labor of duty and love will soon be ended. As the lightning writes its fiery path across the dark clouds of heaven, so does the Glory of God shine through the clouds of mortality which surround us. The Glory of God lights our path of service to our brethren and lights our path through an unknown future life on earth to a known future life in eternity with God. Our departed brethren have simply proceeded us on this path.

Masons, particularly Scottish Rite Masons are guided by the virtues of brotherly love, relief and truth. Motivated by brotherly love Scottish Rite Masons have joined together to amplify their efforts to relieve the plight in the their less fortunate neighbors and themselves.

There is no way that I can improve on the Word of God, so I will depend on the Scriptures to answer questions we may have about who may live with God in His eternal sanctuary. Hear the Word of God as recorded in Psalm 15 of the Holy Scriptures.

"Lord, who may dwell in your sanctuary? Who may live on your holy hill?

He whose walk is blameless and who does what is righteous, who speaks the truth from his heart and has no slander on his tongue, who does his neighbor no wrong and casts no slur on his fellow-man, who despises a vile man but honors those who fear the Lord, who keeps his oath when it hurts, who lends his money without usury and does not accept a bribe against the innocent. He who does these things will be never shaken.

The Word of God recorded in Ecclesiastes Chapter three tells us that there is a time for everything. Now, it is time for us to say “Good by and God Bless you” to these brethren whose lives we celebrate today.

Gather together unto Him those who have made a covenant with Him by sacrifice and offer unto Him a tribute of praise with a perfect heart. Let us pray.

Grand Architect of the Universe, our Creator and Redeemer: We have been promised that where two or more are gathered in thy name, there you will be also, and if two of us agree about anything we ask for, you will do it.

Be with us today. We implore your blessings on ourselves and our departed brothers. Welcome them into your loving arms and into eternal paradise. Uphold us now as we entrust them to your boundless love and eternal care. Assure us that not even death can separate us from your infinite mercy

Grant us grace, that in pain we may find comfort, in sorrow—hope, in death—eternal life.

You have shared with us the lives of our brothers. Before they were ours, they were yours. We give you thanks for all that they have given to us to make us what we are. Now we offer them back into your arms. Draw those of us who remain in this life closer to one another, and give us to know that peace and joy which is eternal life. Amen

Now to the One who is able to keep you from falling and to make you stand without blemish in the presence of God's Glory with rejoicing be glory, majesty, power and authority before all time and now and forever. Amen

Please be seated.

ANNUAL MEETING ILLINOIS SCOTTISH RITE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Ill. : Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

At this time I am going to recess the Illinois Council of Deliberation (10:30 a. m.) and call into session the Annual Meeting of the Illinois Scottish Rite Scholarship Fund Corporation.

Treasurer Report, ISRSF

The first order of business will be a report of our Treasurer Brother Smith, who is unable to be with us this morning. Ill. : Barry D. Weer, 33°, has the information and will present it.

Ill. : Barry D. Weer, 33°, Secretary, ISRSF:

Thank you Illustrious Commander-in-Chief. I am delighted to have the opportunity to share the Report of the Scottish Rite Scholarship Fund with you this morning.

We started the year with \$8,698,295, during the course of the year we received contributions and income from external trusts \$48,669. Dividends and interest amounted to \$269,905. Realized Capital Gains amounted were a little bit more that \$211,000, The adjustment for the Fair Market Value on the equities contained within the various portfolios for the year amounted to \$396,161. We received income from the farm property which was held as an asset of the Fund of \$9,750. For a total income of in the course of the year \$936,128.



*Ill.°, Barry D. Weer, 33°
Secretary, ISRSF*

Our primary expenditure is the support of the various scholarships that are distributed and awarded by the various committees in the Valleys within the state. This year's total scholarship awards amounted to \$404,979. During the course of the year we had other expenditures, primarily investment fees to the various fund managers of \$52,542 and administrative expenses which amounted to \$15, 525.

I think it would be appropriate for me to underline that is an extremely low amount of administrative costs to run an operation such as ours. It is only possible by the fact the vast amount of the work is done as a continuing contribution of the dedication and devotion of members of our Rite who give freely of our time to see that our operation are done in an extremely efficient manner.

The primary expenditures under administrative costs were auditors for \$1,820 and accounting fees of \$6,000. Total expenditures for the year including the awards for scholarship grants \$473,046.

The excess of income over expenses was \$463,000 giving us a final Fund value at the close of our fiscal year, March 31, 2007 of \$9,161,376.

I would like to point out to you just a couple of figures with a little bit of a longer time frame so you can understand where the Fund has come from. At the close of our fiscal year in 2004, bottom of the market trough, the value of the assets in the Fund were \$8,026,000. In 2005/2006/2007 we have invested in the future well being in the youth of our state for their education \$1,131,000 in direct grants and awards. Also, in that period of time, total assets because of our investment gains and other contributions to the Fund have increased by \$1,135,000. I think that all of us as Scottish Rite Masons can be proud of.

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, I move acceptance of the Treasurer's Report in recognition additionally that the fully audit reports will be laid upon records of the Illinois Council of Deliberation.

Seconded and Passed.

REPORT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP CHAIRMAN

Ill.∴ Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

The next order of business is the report of the Council of Deliberation Scholarship Committee Chair, *Ill.∴ Eric L. Johnson, 33°.*

Ill.∴ Eric L. Johnson, 33°, Chairman, Scholarship Committee:

Illustrious Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief, Most Worshipful Grand Master, Sovereign Grand Commander, and distinguished guests:



*Ill.∴ Eric L. Johnson, 33°,
Chairman, Scholarship Committee*

I extend greetings on behalf of the nine Valley Scholarship Chairmen and their committees and share their appreciation for the funds appropriated for the various Scottish Rite Scholarships.

We have maintained regular contacts and liaisons within our nine Valley Chairmen throughout the year as we administered the scholarship program and prepared for annual meeting held yesterday. *Ill.∴ Ronald K. Blue, 33°* of the brochure committee chaired by *Ill.∴ Jim L. Grimm, 33°*, Valley of Bloomington, presented a draft of the scholarship brochure describing the scholarships sponsored by and administered by the Illinois Scottish Rite Scholarship program. The members of the investment committee critiqued the draft and offered suggestions that were followed up by further refinement by the Valley Chairmen during our afternoon meeting. The brochure will be ready for distribution and use early this fall as we launch the 2008 scholarship program.

The Valley Chairmen were pleased with the appropriation of approximately \$434,500 for the 2008 scholarship program providing:

- 325 Illinois Masonic Scottish Rite Health Care Scholarships
- 4 Williams Scholarships
- 9 Robert B. Perkins Scholarships
- 9 Sherwood Kresin Memorial Scholarships

The Scholarship committee acknowledged the sponsorship of eighteen scholarships distributed two to each Valley by the Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Illinois. Our own Supreme Council's Charities sponsors thirty-three Leon M. Abbott Scottish Rite Scholarships with appropriations of two scholarships for awarding by the Valleys of Bloomington, Moline, and Quincy; three scholarships for awarding by Valleys of Freeport, Peoria, Springfield and six scholarships each for awards by the Valleys of Chicago, Danville and Southern Illinois. These Abbott award allocations were based on Valley memberships.

The afternoon meeting of the Valley chairmen offered the members the opportunity to share possible solutions of common and unique situations the

chairmen encounter as they administer the scholarship programs. The meeting concluded with the chairmen expressing their appreciation of Ill.: Charles Smith, 32°, Treasurer and his secretary Michele as they work with each of the Valley Chairmen in distributing the scholarship payments on behalf of the recipients to colleges and universities throughout Illinois and surrounding states.

Respectfully Submitted

Eric L. Johnson, 33°, Chairman

Jim L. Grimm, 33°

Pressly A. Laird, 32°

Lauren L. Crawford, 32°

Ronald V. Cronau, 33°

Kraig E. Sullivan, Sr., 32°

Dale D. Downs, 32°, MSA

Robert L. Cook, 33°

Edward A. Rund, 32°, MSA

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, I move acceptance of this report.

Seconded and Passed.

NOMINATION OF DIRECTORS, ISRSF

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

The final item of business for this Corporation is the nomination and election of Directors for the 2007–2010 terms. I call on Ill.: Robert E. Martin, Jr., 33°, on behalf of the Nomination Committee.

Ill.: Robert E. Martin, Jr., 33°, Chairman of Nominating Committee:

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, officers and brethren all, the Nominating Committee would propose the following names for election to the Board of Directors of the Illinois Scottish Rite Scholarship Fund for a three year term, Class of 2007.

Ill.: James W. Patton, 33°, Valley of Chicago, (1st term)

Lee R. Sauzek, 32°, MSA, Valley of Southern Illinois, (1st term)

Roger A. Carson, 32°, Valley of Freeport, (2nd term)

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, I move the election of these Directors as proposed.

Seconded and Passed.

RECONVENING OF THE ILLINOIS COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

Brethren, is there any further business to bring before the Illinois Scottish Rite Scholarship Fund Corporation meeting? If not, I hereby adjourn the Annual Meeting of the Illinois Scottish Rite Scholarship Fund Corporation and reconvene the Illinois Council of Deliberation. (10:40 a.m.)

RESPONSE OF THE SOVEREIGN GRAND COMMANDER

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

I have purposely kept our Sovereign Grand Commander's remarks till late in the meeting. Most generally, you guys will stay around for that. Sovereign Grand Commander, thank you so much for coming and visiting the Illinois Council of Deliberation and we would be pleased to have your remarks.

Ill.: John William McNaughton 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander:

Good morning all. Most Worshipful Grand Master, Illustrious Deputy, Illustrious Actives, Officers, and members all, if you can bear with me a minute. I am not use to the winters out in Lexington and they have had some terrible weather and I picked up a bad case of pneumonia in January. I had to go to the hospital to be treated for that. When I was there, they have a new procedure, they put you under, as I started to come out from that anesthetic, I noticed the room was real dark. Finally one of the nurses came around and I asked her, "why is it so dark in here?" She looked at me and said, "Mr. McNaughton, there is a huge warehouse fire across the street and we did not want you to wake up and peek out the window and think the procedure had not been successful."



*Ill.: John William McNaughton 33°,
Sovereign Grand Commander*

It is certainly good to be with you here at this Illinois Council of Deliberation today. Lets spend a little time together to talk about the future if you will. Obviously the Council of Deliberation in Illinois is the governing body for Scottish Rite Freemasonry in the State of Illinois. But is also provides us with a forum to spend a little bit of time to think about, who we are, where we come from, and certainly, and most importantly where we are going to go in the future.

Before I start talking about the future, I wanted to spend a minute or two, I feel bad about this, its the nature of the beast, and talk about one of everybod-

ies favorite subjects, membership development. Does anybody here today have a petition for the Scottish Rite degrees? One, maybe two. Two petitions, for the Scottish Rite membership development effort. Well, maybe that's not exactly a fair question to ask, but you need to think about that. I did here recently. One day in the office when there was not anything going on, I called a couple of staff members together and I said, "I have a great idea." They said, "what's that? You never have had a great idea before." I said, " We need to come up with a pocket petition so that when we are out and about in our Valleys we can pull this petition out make a request for a sale." They said, "You know what, that's not a bad idea, lets put something like that together." As so the rest of that day I felt kind of big headed, and though that was a great idea. Within a couple of days, Ill. : Dick Curtis, 33°, some of you might know him. He was the editor of the *Northern Light* for many years, and a brilliant man, and an outstanding Mason. Dick came in and started talking about a new DVD video of Scottish Rite awareness. Dick said, "Commander we have not done one of these in years. Do you think it would be appropriate if we came up with a new format on this?" I said, "Dick, you do what you think is right, I am sure it will be a good idea." Dick worked on this DVD format and he came up with some very interesting concepts on this presentation. In one of them was an "opportunity to print an application for membership." I said, "Really, that is what you do today." He said, "that will be a good thing for everybody." So I said, "Well, I guess we have to give the people what they want. In a manner of day, after that conversation, he went to a focus group in Boston with some younger folks. One of the very first questions they asked was, "where can we get an application for membership to the Scottish Rite, off the web?" He came back and told me about this and of course I was flummoxed. These paper applications for old timers like me and most of you in this room. So if you have some idea of trying to start on a paper application and then you see the evolution of what the world has brought and made possible. Those are some of the issues which have perplexed me considerably over the last twelve months in Lexington.

So that you know, the DVD will be finished and will be available in the Valley offices shortly, along with a supply of these "pocket petitions." I think you will find all those interesting and worthwhile in terms of, it is difficult to talk about membership development when we don't have the proper tools to even get started. There is far more to the process than that. Today, we heard some thoughts and ideas where we can make some effective changes, in looking at the future.

One of the few pleasures I have in Lexington, when I have the time is to be able to spend some time in a worthwhile book. Sometimes that is difficult because sometimes you don't know until you get to the end of the book whether it was a worthwhile project or not. One of the fellows in the office recently said to me, "you need to read the book: *From Good to Great*." So he had a copy there and I said, "when I get a minute I will take a look at it."

The premise of the book was kind of a research effort by some interested young folks that wanted to try and figure out why some publically traded companies were wildly successful and the other was at best good or a has been, and also-ran. I would like to share with you this morning a passage from the book that has been most helpful to me as I look at our organization, where I see a vision of going from "good to great" in our organization. I think it is most telling

in sharing this particular passage. This is passage from those research folks who looked at these publically traded companies.:

When we began the research project, we expected to find the first step in taking a company from good to great would be to set a new direction, a new vision and strategy for the company and then to get people committed and aligned behind the new direction. We found something quite the contrary. The executives which ignited the transformation from good to great did not first figure out where to drive the bus and get people to take it there. No, first, they got the right people on the bus and of course, the wrong people off the bus and then figured where to drive it.

The said in essence, look, I don't know where we should take this bus, but I know this much, if we get the right people on the bus, the right people in the right seats, and the wrong people off the bus, then we will figure out how to take it someplace great.

My very dear brethren, that is the challenge to each of us. Have you spent any time lately asking yourself some important questions about the craft? Does anyone really want to come to your next meeting? Have you thought about the future? Has anybody given any thought to what this fraternity might look like when Shrine pulls away from the Masonic fraternity completely? Have you thought about any of these issues? I think you need to. Spend some time in that direction this week and in the future because the old ways will not server the fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons. With your help and the blessings of almighty God, on our general craft, we will succeed as we have in the past. We will have a vision for greatness. Thank you.

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Ill. : Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

Thank you Sovereign Grand Commander. Thank you Grand Master also, because you were both inspirational speakers this morning. I really do appreciate having both of them on the podium at the same time.

I have a presentation to make. This is to certify that the Illinois Council of Deliberation hereby confers Honorary Membership on John William McNaughton, 33°, in recognition of his outstanding and devoted service to Freemasonry and the exemplification in his daily life of the high ideals to which the fraternity is dedicated and particularly for his invaluable contributions to the work of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America.



Ill. : John W. McNaughton, 33° receiving Honorary Membership to the IL COD from Ill. : Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief.

**NOMINATION OF OFFICERS
ILLINOIS COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION
2007-2008**

Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

For those of you who have been keeping score find that we are now down to one last committee report to handle. The Nomination of officers for the next year. I would like Ill.: Robert E. Martin, 33°, to come to the podium and give his report. As your name is read, please line up across the front. We will be taking care of the installation immediately following.

Ill.: Robert E. Martin, Jr., 33°, Chairman of Nominating Committee:



*Ill.: Robert E. Martin, Jr., 33°
Nominating Chairman*

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Distinguished East, Officers and members all, on behalf of the Nominating Committee, it is my pleasure to announce the nominations for officers elected and appointed to serve the 2007-2008, Illinois Council of Deliberation. As I read your names, please come forward and line up in front of the podium.

- Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33° Commander-in-Chief
Freeport
- Ill.: James L. Tungate, 33° First Lieutenant Commander
Danville
- Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33° Second Lieutenant Commander
Springfield
- Ill.: John T. Phillips, 33° Minister of State
Chicago
- Ill.: Norman R. Buecker, MSA, 33° Active Emeritus
Springfield
- Ill.: Robert W. LaSurs, 33° Active Emeritus
Southern Illinois
- Ill.: Phillip C. Kenney, MSA, 33° Active Emeritus
Peoria
- Ill.: Lawrence D. Inglis, 33° Active Emeritus
Chicago
- Ill.: Ronald E. Fullerlove, 33° Deputy's Representative
Moline
- Ill.: Kurt R. Grosse, 33° Deputy's Representative
Southern Illinois
- Ill.: Michael B. Myers, 33° Deputy's Representative
Quincy
- Ill.: Barry D. Weer, 33° Deputy's Representative
Bloomington
- Ill.: Wallace B. Dunn, 33° Orator
Chicago

Ill.∴ Michael D. Ewing, 33°	Quincy	Chancellor
Brother Marvin L. Selock, 32°	Chicago	Treasurer
Ill.∴ Gregory R. Klemm, MSA, 33°	Chicago	Secretary
Bro. P. Alvin Laird, 32°, MSA	Quincy	Prior
Ill.∴ John W. Bracken, 33°	Freeport	Hospitaler
Ill.∴ Robert K Cronk, 33°	Freeport	Engineer & Architect
Ill.∴ Michael D. Hinds, MSA, 33°	Peoria	Master of Ceremonies
Ill.∴ Richard L. Clark, 33°	Danville	Seneschal
Ill.∴ Ronald L. Dennis, 33°	Southern Illinois	Standard Bearer
Ill.∴ Loren I. Barnes, 33°	Springfield	Captain of The Guard
Ill.∴ Billy M. Burden, 33°	Bloomington	Sentinel
Ill.∴ Jay M. Hawkinson, MSA, 33°	Moline	Outer Guard

Respectfully Submitted

Robert E. Martin, Jr., 33°, Chairman

Billy M. Burden, 33°
Rex W. Richards, 32°

William L. Coe, 32°
J. Robert Stockner, 32°

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, I move acceptance of this report.

Seconded and Passed.

Ill.∴ Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

Ill.∴ Norman R. Buecker, MSA, 33°, will do the installation.

Installation ceremony was performed.



Ill.∴ Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Ill.∴ James L. Tungate, 33°, Ill.∴ Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, and Ill.∴ John T. Phillips, 33° being installed as officers of the Illinois Council of Deliberation for the 2007-2008 year

CLOSING

Ill. : Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

Is there any further business to bring before the Illinois Council of Deliberation? If not, I will proceed to close.

To order brethren on the sign of fidelity. To the Glory of the Grand Architect of the Universe and in the name and under the auspices of the Supreme Council of Sovereign Grand Commanders General of the thirty third and last degree of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America and by virtue of the authority upon me conferred, I declare this session of the Illinois Council of Deliberation closed. Brother Laird.

Brother P. Alvin Laid, Prior:

May we bless the leaders installed. May we respect the life all God has made. May our spirits be strengthened by using only what we need. May we use our strength to help those who need us. May the road rise to meet you. May the wind always be at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face. May the rains fall soft upon your fields. Until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of his hand. Amen.

Ill. : Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Commander-in-Chief:

Lunch will be served right behind you. We are done. (11:03 a.m.)



Debra Burgin presenter for the Ladies' Program with Janice Lockwood

Preprinted Reports

Approved as printed and not presented at the session

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Ill.: Gregory R. Klemm, MSA, 33° *Secretary:*

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief and Brethren:

Your Secretary reports that the number entitled to vote in the Illinois Council of Deliberation consisting of those who have attained the Thirty-Third degree, Past Presiding Officers, Elected Officers, Treasurers and Secretaries of the Coordinate Bodies, and holders of the Meritorious Service Award, is 770.

A full report of the membership of the Valleys under this Council, along with a comparative table for the current and preceding years, is published below. I call your attention to the summary below:

Summary Statistics

Year	2004	2005	2006	2007
Beginning Membership	28,105	26,599	26,154	24,652
Prior Year Adjustments	0	(65)	207	
Adjusted Beginning	28,105	26,534	26,361	24,642
Initiations	388	623	307	313
Affiliations	21	17	28	15
Restorations	88	1,041	135	158
Total Increases	497	1,681	470	486
Deaths	892	922	955	880
Suspensions	539	981	539	1,017
Demits	504	157	186	180
Discharges	66	0	15	6
Expulsions	2	1	2	1
Total Decreases	2,003	2,061	2,189	2,084
Net Change	(1,506)	(380)	(1,719)	(1,5,98)
Ending Membership	26,599	26,154	24,642	23,044

I especially want to thank the Valley Secretaries for their support, cooperation and patience. The use of electronic communication is almost universal. I also want to thank Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33° for the opportunity to serve the Council in this role.

Note: Please see supplement one for the ICOD composite membership statistics for all nine Valleys.

Respectfully Submitted
 Gregory R. Klemm, MSA, 33°
 Secretary, Illinois Council of Deliberation.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Illustrious Active Members of the Supreme Council and Members of the Illinois Council of Deliberation:

Following is the report of the Treasurer as of April 30, 2007.

Cash in Bank

Cornerstone Bank Non-Profit Now Checking Account #1576933		\$45,788.70
Less Outstanding Checks		
#1067	\$2,075.00	
#1068	17.23	
#1070	175.00	
#1071	284.30	
#1072	281.20	
#1073	199.03	
#1074	294.55	
#1075	416.08	
Total Outstanding checks		\$3,742.39
Balance in Checking Account as of April 30, 2007		\$42,046.31

Investments

Money Market Checking Cornerstone Bank,	yield 3.50%	\$20,943.52
Money Market Cornerstone Bank	yield 5.02%	79,787.98
CD FNB Pinkneyville, Due 9/30/09	yield 3.70%	50,000.00
CD FNB Pinkneyville, Due 10/23/07	yield 3.00%	30,000.00
Total Investments of April 30, 2007		<u>180,731.50</u>
Total Assets as April 30, 2007		\$222,777.81
Total Assets as of April 30, 2006		\$200,684.46
Increase (Decrease)		\$22,093.35

Respectfully submitted,

Cary M. Willis, 33°, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee of the Illinois Council of Deliberation has examined the transactions of the General Fund of the Council of Deliberation, and hereby files its report for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2007.

We have examined the accompanying state of assets arising from cash transactions of the Illinois Council of Deliberation of April 30, 2007 and related statements of income and expenses and changes in assets for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly include tests of accuracy of the records and such other tests as we considered necessary.

Accordingly, income at the time of collections and expenses at the time of disbursement, since the accrued basis of accounting is not used. Liabilities are not recorded until paid. We know of no significant liabilities outstanding as of April 30, 2007 and the results of the cash transactions for the year ended.

Respectfully submitted,

Stanley P. Boyd, 32°, Chairman

Christopher H. Cronau, 33° Bruce W. Rhinehart, 32°

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES FOR 2006-2007

Appeals and Grievances

Henry C. Tonigan, III, 33°, Chicago; Chairman

Jay A. Keeran, 32°, Bloomington

Craig A. Kennedy, 32°, Springfield

Audit

Stanley P. Boyd, 32°, Bloomington; Chairman

Christopher H. Cronau, 33°, Freeport

Bruce W. Rhinehart, 32°, Danville

Budget and Finance

Frank J. Roth, 33°, Chicago; Chairman

Gregory R. Klemm, MSA, 33°, Chicago

Marvin L. Selock, 32°, Chicago

Credentials

Gregory R. Klemm, MSA, 33°, Chicago; Chairman

Gary L. Alves, 33°, Southern Illinois

Dick J. Carroll, 33°, Peoria

Jon A. Cole, 33°, Danville

Arthur J. Hemm, 32°, MSA, Moline

Steven L. Walls, 33°, Springfield

Dean G. White, 33°, Freeport

Henry O. Wiegmann, MSA, 33°, Quincy

David E. Young, 33°, Bloomington

Deceased Members

Pressly A. Laird, 32°, MSA; Quincy; Chairman

Distinguished Service Award

Donald L. Anderson, 33°, Moline; Chairman

Lee Bradley, 33°, Chicago

Norman R. Buecker, MSA, 33°, Springfield

C. Waldon Crouch, 33°, Bloomington

B. Stephen Daugherty, 33°, Danville

William J. Farris, 32°, Freeport

James M. Lantz, 33°, Quincy

Robert W. LaSurs, 33°, Southern Illinois

Joseph M. Lucas, 33°, Springfield

William H. McDaniels, 33°, Peoria

General Council

Andrew S. Bender, 32°, Bloomington; Counsel

Danny J. Leifel, 33°, Bloomington; Assistant Counsel

Illinois Masonic Scottish Rite Fund

Ralph A. Bauer, 33°, Southern Illinois

Roger A. Carson, 32°, Freeport

Henry C. Tonigan, III, 33°, Chicago

Introduction of Distinguished Guests

Thomas J. Lucchesi, 33°, Springfield; Chairman

V. Ray Landers 32°, Southern Illinois

Arlo Ray Sloan, 32°, Moline

Jurisprudence Rules and Regulations

Irvin C. Slate, Jr., 33°, Southern Illinois; Chairman

Medley A. Tornow, 33°, Peoria

Membership

Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, Springfield; Chairman

Grady Birdsell, 33°, Moline

John D. Dorner, 32°, Bloomington

Mathew Gibbons, 32° Freeport

Dean Heitz, 32°, Quincy

Robert P. Mitchell, 32°, Danville

Gary A. Popp, 33°, Southern Illinois

Russell L. Schlosser, 33°, Chicago

Randy Vawter, 32°; Peoria

Marc Wilson, 33°, Springfield

Meritorious Service Award

Robert H. Orrill, 32°, MSA, Peoria; Chairman
James B. Albsmeyer, MSA, 33° Quincy
William D. Graber, MSA, 33°, Springfield
G. Nick Graff, MSA, 33°, Peoria
R. Bruce LaSurs, 32°, Southern Illinois
Frederick E. Schubert, 32°, MSA, Freeport
Kenneth W. Smith, MSA, 33°, Bloomington
Roy L. Stastny, MSA, 33°, Chicago
Richard A. Thompson, 32°, MSA, Danville
Donald R. Wood, 32°, MSA, Moline

Nomination of Officers

Robert. E. Martin, Jr., 33°, Freeport; Chairman
Billy M. Burden, 33°, Bloomington
William L. Coe, Jr., 32°, Springfield
Rex W. Richards, 32°, Danville
J. Robert Stockner, 32°, Chicago

Public Relations

H. Jay Sade, MSA, 33°, Quincy; Chairman
Brian L. Pettice, 33°, Danville
Robert H. Wright, 33°, Bloomington

Representatives to the DeMolay Foundation

Gary D. Hermann, 33°, Peoria; Representative
Charles E. Hileman, Jr., MSA, 33°, Southern Illinois
Kenneth W. Smith, MSA, 33°, Bloomington

Representatives to Illinois Masonic Youth Foundation

Leslie I. Casali, MSA, 33°, Peoria; Representative

Scholarship

Eric L. Johnson, 33°, Peoria; Chairman
Lauren Leroy Crawford, 32°, Moline
Robert L. Cook, 33°, Southern Illinois
Ronald V. Cronau, 33°, Freeport
Dale D. Downs, 32°, MSA, Danville
Jim L. Grimm, 33°, Bloomington
P. Alvin Laird, 32°, MSA, Quincy
Edward A. Rund, 32°, MSA, Chicago
Kraig E. Sullivan, Sr., 32°, Springfield

FINANCE COMMITTEE BUDGET REPORT

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Members of the Illinois Council of Deliberation:

The Finance Committee proposes the following budget for the fiscal year for your consideration. The budget anticipates an excess of income over disbursements of \$8,250.

ANNUAL BUDGET Illinois Council of Deliberation May 1, 2007 to April 30, 2008

Ordinary Income/Expense	-----2006-2007-----		Budget
Income:	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>2008</u>
Per Capita	\$ 67,500	\$65,817.00	†\$63,750
Investment Income	3,000	4,787.98	3,000
COD Reimbursements	10,000	8,421.25	8,500
Supreme Council Reimbursement	<u>8,000</u>	<u>19,800.00</u>	<u>18,000</u>
Total Income	\$ 88,500	98,826.23	93,250
Expense:			
COD Session Expense	\$35,000	29,693.997	30,000
Committee	2,000	7,235.77	2,000
Contributions	3,500	4,550.00	3,500
Miscellaneous	1,000	0.00	1,000
Secretary's Office	7,500	2,650.00	7,500
Seminars	6,000	4,051.88	6,000
Travel and Entertainment	10,000	5,466.37	10,000
Supreme Council Session	<u>10,000</u>	<u>21,938.28</u>	<u>25,000</u>
Total Disbursements	\$75,000	\$75,586.27	85,000
Net Ordinary Income	<u>13,500</u>	<u>23,240.06</u>	<u>8,250</u>

†Based upon 21,250 members

The amount of income from per capita is based on \$3.00 times the Fourteenth Degree members on the 30th of April each year—the fiscal year just ended—which is billed in the following year. Estimated investment income is an estimate based on the previous year.

The actual net cost of last year's Annual Meeting was \$21,938.28 and is expected to be higher for this year. Other budgeted amounts have been increased and decreased based on last year's actual experience.

The combination of decreased anticipated income and expected increased disbursements has caused a smaller surplus for fiscal year 2007-2008.

Respectfully Submitted,

Frank J. Roth, 33°, Chairman
Gregory R. Klemm, MSA, 33°
Cary M. Wills, 33°

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

The purpose of the Honorary Committee for the Illinois Council of Deliberation (ICOD) is to consider, recommend, and/or approve individuals who have rendered extraordinary service to this Council and/or to the Scottish Rite as a whole. These are individuals who are not or can not become members of the ICOD by virtue of their office or Masonic title.

This year, each Valley was contacted in writing to ascertain if they had anyone who they wished to nominate for honorary membership. There were no nominations from the Valleys.

However, one name was suggest by the appropriate officials. He is Illustrious Brother John William McNaughton, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction. In recognition of his service to Scottish Rite Masonry, this committee endorses this nomination and recommends that this Illustrious Brother be elected an Honorary Member of the Illinois Council of Deliberation.

Upon reviewing the credentials and consulting with Illustrious Brother Lockwood, this committee approves the naming of John William McNaughton as an Honorary Member of the Illinois Council of Deliberation.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark R. Hepner, MSA, 33°, Chairman

REPORT OF THE HOSPITALER

May 1, 2007

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Members of the Illinois Council of Deliberation.

This report covers the financial activity of the Hospitaler Fund for the period of May 1, 2006 through April 30, 2007.

At the direction of the Illinois Council of Deliberation Executive Committee, several changes have been made in the activities of the Hospitaler Fund.

Contributions collected at the Illinois Council of Deliberation will be used for a specific purpose that will be announced before collection and will be disbursed promptly.

The fund balance as of May 1, 2005 was zero

Collection at the 2006 Council of Deliberation meeting amounted to \$1250.00 and was dispersed to the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Illinois to be used to support the ILCHIP program.

The Hospitaler Fund as of April 30, 2007 has a zero balance.

Respectfully submitted,

John W. Bracken, 33°, Hospitaler

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON
REPORT OF THE
ILLINOIS DEMOLAY FOUNDATION, INC.**

Illustrious Commander-In-Chief, Officers and members of the Illinois DeMolay Foundations, Inc., and Brethren of the Illinois Council of Deliberation:

The Illinois Order of DeMolay is composed of several hundred young men between the ages of 12 and 21 years old enrolled in various chapters throughout the State of Illinois, assisted and fostered by Master Masons. Through programs in citizenship, morality, physical education, sportsmanship and others, these young men meet in brotherhood, similar to the ideals we practice as Masons.

One of the least heralded virtues of this group is the fact that over 50%, of these young leaders become Master Masons at some point in their lifetimes and continue to impress their leadership in lodges and the appendant bodies of Masonry throughout our nation. To many, this organization is regarded as the training ground for future Masons.

DeMolay "Alumni" continue to distinguish themselves in all walks of life, including local, state, and federal offices.

The Illinois DeMolay Foundation was created twenty-five years ago to raise sufficient funding to support the many programs of the Illinois Order of DeMolay. We are composed of a twenty-one man board consisting of three representatives of the Grand Lodge, Scottish Rite, York Rite, one representative from each of the five Shrine Temples in Illinois, and seven representatives from the Illinois Order of DeMolay.

We meet in conjunction with major DeMolay/Masonic activities within Illinois. Our annual meeting will take place on July 15, 2007, in Eureka, Illinois, in conjunction with the annual Illinois DeMolay Conclave.

After reimbursement of \$4,253.38 for State Master Councilor travel expenses, the total net worth of the Illinois DeMolay Foundation thru June 30, 2006 was \$257,033.23.

Donations in excess of \$250.00 are deposited in the endowment fund of which only its income is used. We feel that by raising our endowment fund to a level of \$500,000.00, we will insure that DeMolay can be sufficiently funded into the future.

Our Masonic Family needs all of our help. What better way to promote our great Fraternity! Your assistance will be greatly appreciated. These programs are financed by Masonic contributions. We Need Your Help.

Remember, "Their Future is Our Future."

Respectfully Submitted,
Gary D. Hermann, 33°,
Director, Illinois DeMolay Foundation, Inc
Representing the Scottish Rite, ICOD

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ILLINOIS MASONIC YOUTH FOUNDATION

Illinois Masonic Youth Foundation
August 5, 2006

Illustrious Commander-In-Chief, Illustrious Active Members of the Supreme Council, Distinguished Guests, Officers and Members of the Illinois Council of Deliberation:

The Illinois Masonic Youth Foundation Board of Directors held their annual meeting in Eureka, Illinois with the following approvals:

Illinois DeMolay to receive \$7,000, Job's Daughters to receive \$2,500, and Rainbow for Girls to receive \$2,500.

Illinois Freemasonry is very proud of it's generous contributors who have been faithful throughout the years. A total of \$12,000 was received from the Grand Lodge of Illinois (\$3,000), Illinois Council of Deliberation (\$3,000), Illinois Grand York Rite Bodies (\$3,000), and Illinois Shrine Centers (\$3,000). We hope our contributors will continue their commitments in the future.

We are seeing more and more younger faces among our "blue lodge" initiates and these new members will tell others their own age about the Fraternity, Brethren it is happening.

Respect fully Submitted,

Leslie I. Casali, MSA, 33°

REPORT OF THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD COMMITTEE

To the Illustrious Commander-In-Chief, Officers and members of the Illinois Council of Deliberation, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry:

The annual banquet of the Illinois Council of Deliberation will be held on Friday, June 8, 2007. It is always well attended and enjoyed by the members, their ladies, and other distinguished guests. The highlight of the evening is the conferral of the Meritorious Service Award upon the class of 2007. The Illinois Council of Deliberation always conducts the ceremony in a very impressive manner. The caps and jewels are then presented to the recipients with the dignity and decorum as benefits ts this high honor. The recipients for 2007 are presented below.

Bloomington

Donald Gene Anderson

ChicagoArthur R. De Baere
Frank P. Lasick, Jr.
James H. Oehler
Frank S. Winans**Danville**Ronald R. Boswell
Ronald R. Colwell
Mitchell L. Duszynski
J. Stratton Watson**Freeport**Donald H. Bolen
Bertil Person, Jr.**Moline**

Richard David Hacker

PeoriaGordon Ray Babcock
Howard Wayne Hoffman**Quincy**Gerald K. Cookson
(Deceased)**Southern Illinois**Robert Lee Carr, Jr.
Carl Eugene Hall
Kenneth Norman Overturf
Lee Roy Sauzek**Springfield**Kraig E. Sullivan, Sr.
*G. Robert Turner

*Not present, will receive the award at the 2008 conferral.

As per the by-laws of this Council, the presiding officers of each of the Bodies of the Scottish Rite Valleys in the State of Illinois met and submitted the names and qualifications of the Brothers whom they recommend to be considered for the M.S.A. in 2008. These nominations were reviewed, investigated, and approved. At the conclusion of the ceremony Friday evening, our Illustrious Commander-In-Chief will announce the names of nominees to be honored in 2008. The Meritorious Service Award Will be conferred upon these deserving Scottish Rite Masons listed below on Saturday, June 28, 2008 at the Holiday Inn Center in Peoria, Illinois.

Bloomington

Dennis Dale Garrigus

ChicagoDonald R. Carruthers
Noel J. Kalis**Danville**John M. "Jack" Dolan
David T. Richardson**Freeport**

William E. Gambrel

Moline

Timothy J. Vice

Peoria

Arthur Wayne Williams

Quincy

James Burton Otto

Southern IllinoisAdrian E. Croissant, Jr.
Alvin Hugh Hensely
Ronald Coy Jestes**Springfield**

Bryan K. Hutchcraft

The Meritorious Service Award will be conferred upon these deserving Scottish Rite Masons on Friday, June 8, 2007 at the Hotel Abraham Lincoln in Springfield , Illinois.

Respectfully Submitted,
Robert H. Orrill, MSA, Chairman

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RELATIONS

As Public Relations Chairman, you have a roll that offers challenges and rewards to be found in no other assignment.

Your acceptance of this means you have real enthusiasm for the Valley's programs. Those who selected you believe you will tell the Valley's story well. They also consider you reliable and capable of working well with others. Your job will be to present the news of the Valley to the public. All the information you give should be accurate, complete, brief and timely.

You already have or will soon develop a talent for discriminating between routine Valley affairs and newsworthy events. Both are your concern.

Routine meetings call for routine publicity.

Unusual events and special projects merit publicity in depth. They require a great deal more work on your part, but both are worth it. Big events usually warrant special news features.

As Public Relations chairman you will make new, stimulating contacts. You will also find satisfaction in performing an important service for your Valley, for Scottish Rite and Masonry.

Here are twelve basics that I feel are necessary to good Public Relation. I call them the twelve "Bs". Be the only contact person to the news media. Be quick to establish personal contact with the right person at all news media outlets in your area. Be sure to write down all information. Train your memory, but don't trust it. Be prompt in meeting dead lines. Be legible, type your releases. Be accurate, double check names, dates and places. Be honest and impartial, give credit where due. Be brief, airtime is costly as well as newspaper space. Be brave. Don't be afraid to suggest something new if you believe you have a workable idea. Media people welcome original ideas. Be business-like. Never pressure friendship or business connections. Be appreciative of all space and time given you. Don't forget, this is free. Be professional. Members of the press are always invited guest. Never ask them to pay, in fact, give them a special place at your event. Doing the smallest thing may be the trigger that gets you the coverage you want.

One of your biggest jobs is to decide what is news. Broadcasters and newspapers used to carry item after item of what was called "chicken dinner news" but in today's world, world news has crowded it off the news desk into the waste can. You must decide how you can make your event or project interesting to others and not just a news item to your members who most likely already know the facts. Say to your valley, "Give me something to publicize". When members are made aware of the need to do newsworthy things they are apt to develop programs and projects that have good news value. If you're not sure what you have, contact your contacts and ask them what they think.

It is said that an amateur thinks of his story while the professional thinks of his audience. You must think like a professional, which I hope you are, and decide what audience you want to reach. Do you want to build membership? Do you need public support? Would you like to draw area people to you for a fund-raiser? Once you have decided on the audience you want to reach, gear your releases to these groups by using special departments of the newspaper and different Programs on TV and Radio.

In preparing your story remember Name, Phone and Who, What, When, Where and Why. You may want to add a sixth, How.

It is important to get all these points in the first sentence or two. These first sentences are called the lead. A good lead captures the attention of the audience and makes them want to learn more. A poor lead will most likely cause them to turn their attention to something else. Remember, in today's world, time is on every one's mind and the littlest thing will cause them to move on.

In writing your release, type it and double space starting 1/3 the way down the first page. This is to give the editor space to write the header and make notes. If you want, it is OK to use all caps. Do not type on both sides of the page, which should be the standard 8 1/2 x 11 with 1 1/2-inch margins on both the left and right. If you have names or words that a person might have trouble pronouncing, include the correct pronunciation. If the release is more than one page, write "MORE" at the bottom.

Does it matter where your article appears? It surely does! Decisions of placement must be left up to the editor. You may ask for a certain place, but remember, it is his decision to place where he wants.

Lets talk about pictures. Most newspapers will print a picture. This may be one that you take or they may come to your event and take the picture. Television is different. A still picture in most cases makes a poor show on air. You must ask if they would come out and cover your story. If your story is newsworthy, they will be there.

Millions of dollars of airtime is given by the broadcast industry every year for public service announcements. To merit a share of this crowded airtime, your news must appeal to a widespread audience.

Broadcast time is limited by the clock. Newspapers can expand their page numbers to conform to the needs of the day. But radio and television stations are limited the hours of the day. In broadcasting, seconds are important and they use them to their best interest. Thus, competition for air time is intense.

When doing interviews, make sure the person you chose to do it is well informed and has the answers to all the basic questions. There is nothing worse than an interview where the person being interviewed does not know the answers. In most cases, the interviewer will cut short the interview.

Don't forget, you cannot control the news and your story. There are often reasons beyond the editor or program director's control. Big news at press or air-time can upset the best laid plans. Just keep your fingers crossed that a great national or local tragedy or triumph won't push your story aside.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jay Sade, MSA, 33rd, Chairman, Public Relations

Valley of Freeport

The Valley of Freeport is very proud of the continued growth of our learning center which is in the third year of operation. We have 25 students in the program with eight on a waiting list.

We have eight tutors certified in Orton-Gillingham and five in training.

Our facilities are used regularly by the Freeport Chamber of Commerce, YWCA Voices Program, The Mayors Hunger Luncheon in support of the Freeport Church Cooperative, Martin Luther King Boys and Girls Club celebrating black history month, the Freeport Community Concert organization, Miss Freeport Pageant., Forreton High School Band has used our Auditorium for its spring concert the past two years. We continue to reach out to the community in an effort to get more community events at the Temple.

Our fall reunion was held in October with a small class of seven, but the degree presentation was in keeping with our high standards. Following the closing of the Reunion members and their ladies were treated to a wonderful dinner in our ballroom. We used this occasion to recognize our newest Honorary Members of the Supreme Council 33^o presenting them with their White Caps.

The Valley hosted an ILCHIP program at the temple on December 28th with 80 children and parents attending.

The 27th degree was presented on November 29th preceded by a dinner in the ballroom. On February 12 we performed the "Last Full Measure" which was open to the public. We had a very nice dinner before the performance. The attendance was about 100 people. This was the former 26th degree which has been retired.

The Valley Installation team had another busy year with Blue Lodge installations. We present the Master of the lodge with an engraved trowel for his lodge year.

The Valley is continuing to be active in our community in an effort to promote Masonry for the local blue lodges and in turn for Scottish Rite.

Valley of Moline

As per tradition, the Valley of Moline's activities very much surround and involve the Family Life Events. An emphasis has been made this year to involve the Youth Organizations of the Masonic Family, especially the DeMolay who are or will be prime candidates to join our fraternity.

The first event of notice took place a week after what is known as Holy Week. We honored and remembered 47 of our brethren, who entered the True Lodge of Perfection above, where the Supreme Architect of the Universe presides. We refer, to this celebration of the immortality of the Freemason's Spirit as the Feast of the Paschal Lamb. After which, the Rock Island Chapter of DeMolay served refreshments.

The next event took place in May. The Valley of Moline held its first open installation of officers in many years. All four bodies of the Valley had their officers installed by Illustrious Brother Lee Lockwood, Active for Illinois as the Installing Officer. Many family and friends were in attendance. We also invited

the Master Councilor of the Rock Island Chapter of DeMolay and his officers to give the Flower Talk in honor of the wives and mothers in attendance.

In July, the Valley hosted the DeMolays to a game of miniature golf. In August, one of the corner stones of the program came about. The Valley, for the 11th year, participated in the Roundup at Arrowhead Ranch. This is a privately funded home for troubled youth who are on their last chance to reform before becoming outright prisoners for crimes committed. We participated as fundraisers for the ranch, raising nearly \$700 for the Ranch.

We also provided services through a new Illinois Grand Lodge Program known as the ILCHIP program. This is a child identification program with the purpose of providing parents a means of providing an accurate variety of materials to give to authorities in the event their child goes missing. The packet given to the parents includes a DNA sample, fingerprints, a picture and video of the child. This is designed to plug right into the Amber Alert System. We have played a prominent part in aiding lodges in the area by providing the packets given to the parents. All this is done at no cost to the parents. Local area newspapers provided coverage on this activity at the Roundup.

In September, we held our 5th annual Leadership Night hosted by Illustrious Brother Mark Hepner, Past Thrice Potent Master. Our local lodges and affiliates decided to honor 19 brother masons for their leadership and hard work. A dinner was held to honor the brothers, which preceded the awards ceremony. Also in September, the Valley once again participated in the MDA telethon led by Brother Arlo Sloan, MSA. We, again, drew attention to ourselves by wearing the red coats while taking pledges. This manner of dress consistently receives compliments and increases the number of incoming pledges.

In October, we tried a new event in the Valley. A trivia night was held. During a trivia night, the participants are asked 10 questions from 10 different categories. This provides for an evening of fun and fellowship. The proceeds are given to Moline's 32° Masonic Learning Center. During the course of two of these events, we have raised \$800 for the Learning Center.

In November, we held our annual Toys for Tots Dinner and Vesper Service. This year's speaker happened to be a mother of a Marine, which completed the theme for the evening. In December, we held our annual Christmas party for children. All children from 1 to 100 enjoyed games, entertainment, face painting and St. Nick himself being the highlight of the afternoon.

In January, we held our annual Spaghetti Dinner. We served over one hundred people in an effort to raise money for the Family Life program at Moline.

The big event of the year was a Dinner Dance gala held to raise money for Masonic charities. Illustrious Brother Ron Fullerlove, Commander-in-Chief of the Valley of Moline hosted the event. Over \$2000 dollars was raised for the Moline Learning Center; other monies were raised for the ILCHIP program and the Illinois Masonic Bowl.

Valley of Chicago

While some will say that the Valley of Chicago has experienced more change during the course of the past year than in any previous year in memorable history, at least one thing has remained the same: the commitment of the Valley of Chicago to the advancement of fraternalism and the dedication of its members toward strengthening the bonds of brotherly love, relief, and truth.

With little doubt, the sale of the Scottish Rite Cathedral on North Dearborn Street in Chicago, the Valley's home for over 105 years, has surely impacted the members of the Valley. As with any sentimental value one projects onto an object of their affection, coping with the sale has surely been difficult for many. The transition process, however, has proven to be quite therapeutic. During the time leading up to the sale, and in days past, members have come together in a spirit of reflection to relive and celebrate the many memories surrounding the Cathedral that they have made and shared with each other throughout the years. If nothing else, the sale of the Dearborn property has taught us that the spirit of Freemasonry does not live within the brick and mortar that binds the structure, but rather it lives within the hearts and souls of the structure's inhabitants.

The focus of the Valley of Chicago over the past year, as in all years, has been to strengthen the bonds of fraternalism, to promote the importance of family in the equation for a stable existence, to acknowledge the importance of charity amongst men, to recognize those worthy of our emulation, and to support the future leaders of our civic and social institutions. What follows is a summary of the activities undertaken by the members of the Valley of Chicago over the 2006-2007 Masonic year in an effort to achieve our planned ambitions.

- A public installation of the members elected and appointed to govern the Scottish Rite Valley of Chicago was held on July 20, 2006, at the Scottish Rite Cathedral on North Dearborn Street. While the Valley of Chicago offers numerous social opportunities throughout the year for all to attend, because of the nature of our organization, opportunities for families to share in the ritualistic experience of our fraternity are limited. The public installation is an opportunity for families to share in the ritualistic work of their loved one's craft and, as a direct result, families receive insight into, and a greater understanding of, their loved one's commitment to our beloved society. Among those installed were Ill. Roy L. Stastny, M.S.A., 33^o, as Thrice Potent Master of Van Rensselaer Lodge of Perfection; Ill. Michael J. Molloy, 33^o, as Sovereign Prince of Chicago Council Princes of Jerusalem; J. Robert Stockner, 32^o, as Most Wise Master of Gourgas Chapter of Rose Croix; and Ill. Wallace B. Dunn, 33^o, as Commander-in-Chief of Oriental Consistory.
- On August 3, 2006, the Valley hosted the Annual Scholarship Ceremony and Learning Center Graduation. Recipients of the Scottish Rite Scholarships, their families and guests, as well as the members of the Valley of Chicago, were invited to celebrate the educational achievements of our future leaders. This is also the evening when the Valley hosted the annual graduation of the students and tutors of the Valley of Chicago's 32^o Masonic Learning Center for Children. The members of the Valley have traditionally placed a strong importance on supporting the youth of our society, and this program continues to be an opportunity for our members to celebrate their dedication to the education and development of tomorrow's leaders.

- On August 6, 2006, the Family Life Committee, through the efforts of Bro. Paul Scheeler, 32^o, sponsored the Masonic Memorial Observance at Rosehill Cemetery in Chicago. This program provided members and their families with an opportunity to reflect on the influence the Masonic fraternity, and Scottish Rite in particular, has had on Chicago's urban development. Many of the monuments at Rosehill display symbols of the craft, and mark the resting place of some of Chicago's early social and civic leaders, including Charles Robert Starkweather, organizer of the Valley of Chicago, and the first Deputy for the State of Illinois. At the conclusion of the event, attendees had an even greater sense of pride for the fraternity and the historical significance of Scottish Rite in Chicago.
- The Valley's Annual Golf Outing and Banquet was held on August 12, 2006, at Bloomingdale Golf Course. In addition to being a fun time for all, event chairman John D. Revere, 32^o, M.S.A., would agree that this event continues to act as a membership tool for the Valley. Members commonly invite friends, neighbors, and family to join in the Masonic fellowship that we, as Scottish Rite Masons, share at the golf outing. It is clear that this fellowship is contagious, as many good men have decided to join our fraternity based solely on their experience of the camaraderie that we share at this event.
- Each year, the Valley of Chicago hosts DeMolay Honors Night where members of the various Masonic youth groups and their families are encouraged to celebrate the good work that has been performed by our youth in the preceding year. This ceremony is also the evening when the Legion of Honor is awarded to the members of our organization who have given a piece of themselves for the betterment of our youth. DeMolay Honors Night provides Senior DeMolays with an opportunity to reunite with old friends but, more importantly, it is an opportunity for the Scottish Rite Masons of the Valley of Chicago to show the members of our youth groups that we appreciate their efforts and support their endeavors.
- The Valley of Chicago was fortunate this past year to have hosted the Annual Supreme Council Session for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite. Under the direction of the General Chairman, Illustrious Gregory R. Klemm, M.S.A., 33^o, esteemed members of our fraternity from across the country were welcomed with open arms by the members of the Valley of Chicago. Not only were our visitors given the chance to take in the historical significance and grandeur of Chicago, they were given an opportunity to experience good Midwestern hospitality. Also at the Supreme Council Session, Illustrious Lawrence D. Inglis, 33^o, stepped down as Active for the Valley of Chicago and as Deputy for Illinois; and Illustrious John T. Phillips, 33^o, was named as the new Active for the Valley.
- On September 7, 2006, the Valley of Chicago hosted its Annual Family Night at the Rite. This program serves as an opportunity for members of the Valley, their friends and families, to reunite in a spirit of friendship and to celebrate their relation with one another. The leaders of the Valley of Chicago have worked hard to make Scottish Rite a family organization—an organization that places a high degree of importance on strengthening family relationships. Each year this event is an opportunity for the members to share their Scottish

Rite experience with their families and, in return, it gives families a greater appreciation for Scottish Rite.

- The officers and members of the Valley of Chicago take great pride in the exemplification of our Degrees. It has been said by many that Scottish Rite is a moral improvement center, and the Degrees of the Scottish Rite provide an opportunity for the members to contemplate their own existence. The members of the Valley who participate in the presentation of our Degrees work hard to ensure that the messages sought to be conveyed are properly communicated. On September 16, 2006, Emmy award winning director for CBS and member of the Valley of Chicago, Bro. Don Carruthers, 32°, hosted a seminar for Degree directors and participants. As a result of this seminar, members were given the tools necessary to assist in improving the Degree performances.
- On September 30, 2006, the Valley of Chicago hosted the annual Walk-a-Thon for Dyslexia. The purpose of the program is to raise both awareness and much-needed funds to assist the efforts of the Scottish Rite and the 32° Masonic Children's Learning Center in fighting the effects of dyslexia. Assisting a child with dyslexia to overcome their disease is a life-changing event not only for the child and their family but also for those who help. The Valley of Chicago raised \$14,750.00 in the 2006 Walk-a-thon for Dyslexia.
- In anticipation of the Spring and Fall Reunions, the Valley of Chicago again sponsored the Heritage Dinner Program. Members of the Valley are encouraged to invite men, who are potential candidates for either the Scottish Rite or the Masonic Lodge, to attend one of several dinners hosted throughout the Chicago area. These dinners provide an opportunity for potential candidates to experience the fellowship that Scottish Rite Masons share and to learn a little about the focus of our fraternity. Because potential candidates for the Ancient Craft Lodges are encouraged to attend, this program not only works to strengthen the Scottish Rite, but it also supports the local Masonic Lodges in their membership efforts as well. Quality men have decided to become a part of our fraternity as a result of their positive experience at the Heritage Dinner Program.
- The leadership of the Scottish Rite takes great pride in their efforts to strengthen the Masonic community as a whole by encouraging the appendant bodies to participate in Scottish Rite programs and activities. On October 19, 2006, the Scottish Rite members of El Jaala Grotto exemplified the 19th Degree—Grand Pontiff. The Grotto's performance was part of a program adopted by the Oriental Consistory to encourage active participation in the conferral of Scottish Rite Degrees. Many of the Scottish Rite Masons who assisted in conferring the 19th Degree had never before participated in a Scottish Rite Degree presentation. However, several members enjoyed the experience so much that they were excited to participate in the conferral of Degrees at our Fall Reunion.
- The final Reunion of the Valley of Chicago to take place in the Scottish Rite Cathedral on North Dearborn Street was held on November 2 and 4, 2006. The Valley of Chicago welcomed eighty-two new members in its Fall Class. For the veteran members, this Reunion was a bitter-sweet experience: bitter because it was the last Reunion to be held in the Scottish Rite Cathedral in

Chicago; sweet because members enjoyed the opportunity to share their favorite memories and experiences surrounding the building and the souls that have occupied it throughout the years. The Family Life Committee sponsored the third annual Family Life Thanksgiving Feast on Thanksgiving Day. The original purpose of the Thanksgiving Feast was to provide a venue for widowers, and other members of the Masonic fraternity who do not have family in the area, to share in the Thanksgiving holiday with their Masonic family. But many members have decided to participate in the program along with their families. There were nearly eighty attendees at the 2006 Thanksgiving Feast, doubling the participation from the previous year. Chairman Edward J. Witas, III, 32°, M.S.A., looks forward to increased participation at the 2007 Thanksgiving Feast.

- In December 2006, the Elected and Appointed Officers Committee sponsored the Valley's Annual Holiday Party, which was held in the Oasis Restaurant at the Medinah Shrine Center. Over 150 members, their friends and families, joined together to celebrate the love and affection that we have shared over the past year. The invited entertainment for the evening was a well-known comic who has performed on the national level, including a guest spot on the David Letterman Show. Event Chairman Karl P. Kalis, 32°, commented that this event was a wonderful and care-free way to close a very exciting year. On March 8, 2007, the Valley of Chicago, with the assistance of Event Chairman Andy Hassan, 32°, hosted the 36th Annual Wardens Night Dinner. The purpose of the program is to support area Ancient Craft Lodges and to encourage them to participate in Grand Lodge Programs. The invited speaker at the program was Daniel C. Yandel, 33°, Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois. This program continues as a testament to the Valley of Chicago's dedication to the assistance and strengthening the Masonic community in general, and the local Lodges in particular.
- On March 22, 2007, the Gourgas Chapter of Rose Croix hosted the Feast of the Paschal Lamb, the Annual Maundy Memorial Service honoring our Brothers who have been called to eternal refreshment in the previous year. Illustrious Sheridan Ostrander, 33°, the guest speaker for the evening, reflected on the uncertainties of human life, the absolute certainties of death, and the vanity of earthly ambition. The program is not only an opportunity for our members to remember the souls of our departed Brethren, but it is a way for us to show the families of our deceased Brothers our appreciation for sharing their loved ones with us.
- Bro. Richard Kohn, 32°, Chairman of the Valley of Chicago's Public Relations Committee, secured an opportunity for the Scottish Rite Organization to be interviewed in two Comcast Newsmakers segments, a program that airs on CNN Headline News. Illustrious James L. Tungate, 33°, spoke on the good work of the 32° Masonic Children's Learning Centers, and Bro. Edward J. Witas, III, 32°, M.S.A., talked about the value of membership in the Scottish Rite Bodies. The segments, which taped in March, will air in June and July of this year, and will reach a viewing audience of nearly five million people in the Chicago region.

- On April 5, 2007, members of the Valley of Chicago and their guests did their part in advocating the vital and fundamental role that a father or father figure has in the life of a child. For many years the Valley of Chicago has supported the Illinois Fatherhood Initiative, an organization that rewards individuals for being a good father or father figure in the life of a child. Members help by reading through thousands of essays that are submitted by children from all across Illinois, who write about why their father or father figure should be recognized. Essays selected by the members are set aside as finalists in the essay competition. The Valley of Chicago has supported the Illinois Fatherhood Initiative for many years, and looks forward to continuing its support in the future.
- On April 13 and 14, 2007, the Valley of Chicago took its Spring Reunion on the road to participate in fellowship with the Scottish Rite Masons of the Valley of Freeport. The Valley of Chicago provided round trip bus transportation, housing, and meals for the candidates and their top line sponsors, as well as for the officers and cast members. The members of the Valley of Chicago were honored to assist in the Degree presentations by conferring the 15th and 31st Degrees at the Freeport Reunion. This Reunion was a very special opportunity to share in Masonic fellowship with Scottish Rite Masons outside of our Valley. The reception and hospitality extended to the members of our Valley and our candidates by the Valley of Freeport was a true demonstration of brotherly love.
- Plans for the coming year have already been made for the Valley to continue to strengthen the foundation of the Masonic community and to work diligently in order to promote an environment of brotherly love, relief, and truth. The previous year has been quite an eventful one for the members of the Valley of Chicago. But when it is all said and done, the Valley has emerged even stronger and more vibrant because of the dedication of its members to the advancement of those celebrated principles of truth and love.

Valley of Southern Illinois

The 2006–2007 year rapidly comes to a close and the Valley of Southern Illinois is proud of our activities that have promoted Scottish Rite Masonry to the public in our area.

First and foremost in our activities was the 100th Anniversary Celebration of the St. Clair Lodge of Perfection. This was a very memorable event that was well attended by members, official guests, and the public. Our keynote speaker was Illustrious Norman L. Christensen, 33°, Grand Minister of State NMJ, Deputy for Wisconsin. The weekend long celebration also included the 1st Annual Gala Benefit for our 32° Masonic Learning Center for Children. Not only was the past history of the Valley recognized, but also the present activities and the future of Scottish Rite Masonry in Southern Illinois.

The Valley continues to promote public awareness by hosting numerous events throughout the year that are open to the public. This year was no exception, with our June Dance recitals presented by local dance studios, the memorial Day concert with the USAF Band of Mid America, the Belleville Philharmonic Orchestra and the Belleville School of Ballet presentation of “The

Nutcracker”, our 100th year Anniversary Celebration, and the Christmas Holiday concerts again with the Band of Mid America.

We continue to have large crowds attend the Valley Fish Fry on the third Friday of the month, and every Friday during the Lenten season. This year saw record crowd attendance. Not only is this a major fund raiser for the Valley, but also a way to invite the public into our building and promote the fraternity.

Some of the activities held throughout the year were:

- **Community Parks & Recreation Department Benefit.** This yearly event is a fund raiser for the development of a ballpark in the community. It features Mr. Whitey Herzog and other players from the St. Louis Cardinals baseball team.
- **Family Life Child-ID program.** We continue to support the child id program and have held the program at local shopping malls, Shrine Children's Christmas party, and in conjunction with the local Shrine Circus.
- **32° Masonic Learning Centers for Children.** Our Learning Center continues to be a major activity within our Valley. We have 28 children currently enrolled as well as six tutor trainees. We held a Crazy Bowl fund raiser in March that was a complete sell-out. In May, we held our Achievement Night recognizing all of the students and tutors. A Gala Benefit was held in July, and our annual Walk-A-Thon was conducted in October.
- **Belleville Philharmonic Orchestra Children's Concert.** We hosted a special children's concert with the orchestra, featuring local radio personality John Carney as the guest storyteller.
- **Feast of the Pascal Lamb Observance.** The annual observance was held in March, remembering those brothers that were lost during the past year. Many family members attended.
- **Community Blood Drive.** We sponsored two blood drives during the year to support the local hospitals.
- **Marine Band of San Diego Concert.** This year we were fortunate to host a concert for the public featuring the US Marine Band of San Diego. The concert was enjoyed by over 800 people.
- **Spring Reunion.** Our Spring Reunion was held on April 21 & 22. This reunion honored Ill. Robert F. Buck, MSA, 33°.
- **Family Life Dinners.** Our Family Life Committee hosted both a Valentine's Day Luncheon and a Thanksgiving Luncheon for members and guests. Both were well attended. The Family Life Picnic was held in September at a local park and was well attended by members and guests.
- **ICOD.** The Valley was well represented at the Illinois Council of Deliberation, and our members well attended the workshops and seminars conducted by the Council. Golf Tournament. The Annual Scottish Rite Open was held in June with over 70 golfers participating.
- **Fall Reunion.** The Fall reunion was held on October 13 & 14 honoring Ill. Doyle “Doc” Clubb. The class was large and the work was well rehearsed.
- **Christmas USAF Band Concert.** Our yearly Christmas concert with the USAF Band of Mid America was again a sold out performance for all shows.

The public appreciated the concerts and helped the family life committee by donating canned and boxed goods that supported five area food banks.

- **Children's Christmas Party.** Our Children's Christmas party was held December 10 with lots of toys, games, food and a visit from Santa. Again this year, families of service men and women were our special invited guests.

While we continually offer many ways to allow the members and the public to participate in the many activities of the Valley, our Leadership works to strengthen the Fraternity through a strong membership program, visible community involvement, scholarship awards program, and our Masonic Learning Center for Children.

Valley of Danville

Building on initiatives begun and successes achieved in the last couple of years, the Valley shifted its focus on member activities and involvement into high gear in 2006- 2007. During the course of the year the Valley joined with lodges in our area to bring events to the various regions of our Valley. This approach proved extremely successful in building teamwork between the Valley and our lodges, as well as in developing a pool of enthusiastic, excited, and active members.

The activities began in August as the Valley partnered with Newton Lodge to bring the play December's Rose to the Southern area of the Valley. The members of the lodge provided a hearty dinner and hosted the event, the proceeds of which went to the remodeling fund of the Valley's 32° Degree Masonic Learning Center For Children, and the Valley of Danville Players performed December's Rose for the first time in five or six years.

August also marked the beginning of the second year of the Valley's Lodge Visitation program. In this program, a Valley officer visits each lodge in our area at least annually to educate their members about what Scottish Rite Masons are, to inform them of what services we offer to the lodge, and to thank them for their support. The visits are made in the Fall and the Spring. We particularly honor the Worshipful Master by presenting him with a certificate of appreciation for his service. Thus far in the program we have visited over 90 lodges, strengthening our relationships with these lodges and building bonds of friendship with our brethren.

In September the Lodge of Perfection held the annual Feast of Tishri. It was a very special presentation this year as we celebrated the 100th anniversary of the Charter of the Danville Lodge of Perfection. In honor of the celebration, attendees were treated to the same meal that candidates and members dined on at the very first reunion held under the new Charter. The original program flyer was reproduced and brief bios of the officers of 100 years ago were put together and read by the officers of today. It proved to be a very educational and enjoyable evening for all.

September also brought the inauguration of the Valley of Danville's Traveling Degrees. The 4th and 6th degree were portrayed in Casey Lodge to seven new candidates, each of whom has since received the 32nd degree and actively participated in subsequent Valley events.

The Traveling Degrees continued in October as the 4th and 6th degrees were again portrayed, this time in Wilmington Lodge. Though not as many candidates were in attendance at this portrayal, the program succeeded in planting the seeds of enthusiasm in our Northern area and in encouraging our members there to take active roles in our Valley.

The Fall Reunion held in late October honored our living members who have top-lined 50 or more petitions. It also continued the Valley's tradition of being among the first to produce new or rewritten degrees, as we portrayed the new 26th degree. This degree about plausible events in the lives of real Masons during the Civil War, touched the hearts of all those in attendance.

In November the Valley's Family Life team continued our tradition of serving Thanksgiving Dinner to the residents of Mason Point, formerly the Illinois Masonic Home, at Sullivan.

The Valley teamed with Catlin Lodge in December to provide an entertainment opportunity in the community and to support a worthy cause. The lodge hosted a soup supper on St. Johns Day and the Valley once again portrayed December's Rose. The event drew an audience composed of Masons and non-Masons alike and raised money to support the lodge's ILCHIP programs. Many members took part in the event and awareness was raised in the community about the Masonic Fraternity.

With the coming of the New Year came the opportunity to try out a new initiative, as members of the Valley held the first Rite Stuff Rendezvous in Newton in January. This program developed by members of the Valley is designed to show non-Masons what Freemasonry has to offer them and what we at the Valley of Danville have to offer to the Master Mason and his family. The program offers a relaxed environment with two or three brethren addressing the group about what the Fraternity means to them followed by a power point presentation put together by the Valley Executive Secretary. Wives are invited to attend and good fellowship is the order of the day.

With January also came the first of the year's degree productions as the Valley held a soup supper at the Temple followed by a performance of the 6th degree. Our efforts to include new members paid off as the majority of the cast of this production had been 32nd degree Masons for a year or less.

The month of February was very busy beginning with a Rite Stuff Rendezvous hosted by Peotone Lodge in Manteno. The activities continued in Danville as Valentine's Day was celebrated with a rib-eye dinner followed by the comedies *An Imperfect Proposal* and *TV Brides*. Towards the end of the month the Valley continued the Traveling Degrees. The 4th and 20th Degrees were portrayed in Kankakee to an audience that included seven candidates. Just as significant as the presence of the candidates was the geographical composition of the cast of the 4th degree, as nearly all cast members were from the northern area of the Valley.

March continued the busy times, opening with the ICOD directors' seminar and the Valley's Liverpool Legends Concert on the same first Saturday. The seminar was well attended and imparted instruction that will enable us to improve our degrees. The Liverpool Legends, the premier Beatles tribute band, once again packed the house and our members came together as a team to pro-

vide an excellent evening's entertainment for our community and raise a little money for Valley operations.

In mid-March the Valley hit the road again. First bringing the Traveling Degrees to Lawrenceville, where the lodge was able to raise some funds with a pancake and sausage breakfast and the Valley was able to gain eight candidates as well as the goodwill of brethren from all over that area. Next the Valley packed up and headed to Moline to portray the new 26th degree to a joint reunion of the Valley of Moline and the Valley of Peoria. Judging by the comments of those in the audience, an excellent degree was portrayed. As for the Danville members, we enjoyed all of the fellowship of our brethren and appreciated Moline's hospitality.

Another Rite Stuff Rendezvous was held in March, this time in Charleston. Among those in attendance were four Eastern Illinois University students, as the Valley was able to assist the lodge in its efforts to reach out to the college students living in its area.

The end of March brought our Spring Reunion named in honor of Past Commander-in-Chief of the Valley of Danville and our Most Worshipful Grand Master Noel C. Dicks. Excitement was high at the reunion as the Valley again produced excellent degrees, but especially because the cast of the 4th degree was composed almost entirely of members who have been Scottish Rite Masons for two years or less with six cast members being members of the class who had received the 4th degree at one of the Traveling Degree presentations.

In early April, the George E. Burow Chapter of Rose Croix observed the Feast of the Paschal Lamb, our moving tribute to our brethren who passed to their eternal reward during the preceding year. The Feast was once again touching and well appreciated as evidenced by the comments and cards of the family members of our deceased brethren.

The events we have planned for this year will continue into May and June as we have scheduled performances of the plays *Memorial* and *The Last Full Measure* in several locations throughout the Valley.

As we pause to reflect on the accomplishments of the past year, we can be proud of the efforts we have made in increasing the reach and breadth of our fraternal activities, but we should also be proud of the efforts we have made in the management and stewardship of the Valley. For while our list of fraternal successes is long, we have also made substantial strides in making our management structure function properly and effectively. Our staff of volunteers, who perform the thankless work of our Board committees, is growing. Our members' enthusiasm is extending to these areas and we are gaining new perspectives, fresh ideas, and renewed energy. Excitement is also building as the Valley's Learning Center moves closer to reality. We hope to open in the Fall.

As we look forward to the coming year, we hope to build on the momentum we have developed this year. We believe we are heading in the right direction and we hope to meet the challenges that lie ahead with ever increasing excitement and enthusiasm.

Valley of Bloomington

As we pass the torch to a new Commander-in-Chief, I would like to take the opportunity to reflect on this past year.

Every year brings its joys and sorrows and this year is no different. We began the year after last year's elections with the family picnic at the Scottish Rite Recreation Area. The Lodge of Perfection under the committee leadership of Theron Noth did a wonderful job of continuing to make this one of the traditions in our Valley. Hopefully, this will continue in the next several years and as new members join our Valley we will see this picnic grow. We also attended the Illinois Council of Deliberation where Ross Funk was awarded the MSA and Donald Anderson was chosen as the award winner for 2007.

July was scheduled to be a very busy month for the Valley, but the next scheduled event which was to be the Family Putt Putt day at Grady's Recreation Center was postponed until May of 2007. The Valley did participate in the first of its three scheduled ILCHIP programs with Normal Lodge No. 673. This event registered over 150 young children and provided members of the Valley with a chance to talk to many non-members.

The Valley has for many years sponsored an informational booth at the McLean County Fair and in 2006, the booth saw a major overhaul in its appearance and focus. Several movies on Masonry were shown and one movie, National Treasure, was on continuous loop. This movie brought many non-Masons into the booth and gave those manning the booth an excellent opportunity to talk to these men about Masonry. Also, in July the Lodge of Perfection again sponsored the Constitution Trail Clean-up. This clean-up allows our Valley to show the community our dedication to keeping the trail a treasure to our fellow citizens. August was Supreme Council in Chicago. It was wonderful to join Bob Trefzger and Billy Burden in watching them receive their 33rd Degree. It was a great week in Chicago and it ended with hearing the name of George Perkins as our selection for 2007.

September began with the annual Heartwalk, sponsored by the Zerrubabel Council Line. Every year, our Valley helps to raise money to combat heart disease and again spread the word of Masonry within the Central Illinois Community. Money raised is for the most part spent locally in helping heart patients live normal lives.

The Consistory line had a wonderful event which was to be used as a fund raiser in October. A Mariachi Band from Chicago spent a Saturday evening entertaining those who came out to witness this great band. My only wish was that there would have been more in attendance.

November was our first reunion in the newly remodeled Center for the Performing Arts. This building was once the Scottish Rite Temple and if you have not yet visited the facility and seen how the City of Bloomington has made this one of the show pieces of the Midwest you are missing a wonderful opportunity. Under the direction of Greg Clark and his committee, we had a great Reunion. November also found the Rose Croix Line sponsoring the Peace Meals. For many years the Valley had sponsored two routes on the Meals on Wheels Program through Bro-Menn Hospital. When that program was stopped, the Peace Meal contacted the Valley and we accepted the responsibility of one route. We have again agreed to that same route this year. If you are called on to

help, don't hesitate to spend the time, it is well worth your time to see how seniors appreciate the time we spend in delivering meals to them. The Valley showed the scholarship award winners our appreciation for their work in school by having them come to an Awards Dinner. Our thanks to Bloomington Mayor Steve Stockton for coming to present the Scholarship Certificates to the over 50 recipients.

An annual event sponsored by the Lodge of Perfection is the bell ringing for the Salvation Army. Every year dedicated members of the Valley volunteer their time to help raise money for underprivileged children to make sure they have a Christmas to remember. We will be doing this again this year and when called on to help, don't hesitate to answer the call.

The Council cooperates every year with Normal Lodge No. 673 in sponsoring the annual blood drive. This year it may have been very cold out in January, but it was warm inside the lodge as more than 20 people came through to donate to the Red Cross.

The Valentine's Dinner is held every February around Valentine's Day and each year the crowd grows. This is a chance to tell your spouse how much she means to you and support the efforts of the Valley to support our Family Life Program. This program will be continued next year and I encourage all to make reservations and attend.

March of this year we held a mid-term Reunion and had great success. We have heard from many that the dates we had planned for our fall and spring Reunions were not convenient, and so we scheduled this mid-term reunion as a way to accommodate these brethren. It was a great success and we should look at other ways to make membership opportunities available to any who want to join our fraternity. Our second ILCHIP program was sponsored by the Rose Croix Line at the Children's Discovery Museum and it's great to see the number of parents who bring their children to one of these events.

April gives the Valley a chance to show the public one of our finest outreach programs. The Feast of the Paschal Lamb affords us a chance to join with Masons and non-Masons in a program to honor those who have passed away during the previous year. The DeMolay Commandery, Knights of Columbus, and the Rose Croix line come together every year to present this ceremony and this year was no exception. Please consider this part of your Easter celebration and make sure you are supporting it every year.

We have spent money fixing up our camp at Lake Bloomington by remodeling the building and are now in the process of replacing the swimming pool. This is possible because of a grant from the Grand Lodge to help in supporting the summer activities of the Children's Homes at LaGrange and Murphysboro. Thanks also to a gift from Viggo Frost, we have new playground equipment at the camp. And of course, a great deal of thanks goes to the Hulett's for all the work that both John and Doris do to keep the camp in great shape.

Over the past two years, Bill Burden, 33° has been the driving force in shaping the programs of the Valley and has provided every member with an opportunity to participate in the many events we have to offer. With the help of his committee we have one of the most active Valleys in the state.

When I started my term we held our first Reunion in over 75 years in the Bloomington Lodge Temple as the Center for the Performing Arts was being renovated. Our Director of Work George Perkins, our great stage crew, and the wardrobe area planned and executed the difficult task of putting on two reunions without the benefit of all the equipment we have in the former Consistory Building. Then our first Reunion back in our former home was a wonderful event. Our newsletter continues to win awards from the Supreme Council and we need to thank Dale Arbour for all the hard work he does.

I do want to take this opportunity to thank the other heads of the coordinate bodies for all the work they do in helping make the Valley run as a team. The following men spent their time and energies in leading their lines in providing members of the Valley with opportunities to participate: Steve Barr and Jay Keeran as Thrice Potent Masters, Richard Miller, Jr and Mike Bergelin as Sovereign Princes, Bill Tanner and Charles Ross, Jr as Most Wise Masters. These and the rest of the Board of Trustees spend many hours in the administration of the Valley and deserve your thanks for all they do.

The office staff of Nellie Nall and our Executive Secretary Dave Young, 33° has always been a great source of help to me when I needed it. The Valley would not be able to run as efficiently as it does without their help. So I give them a great deal of thanks for all they have done. Jim Grimm, 33° has been a great mentor to me over the years and I would like to thank him for all he has done for the Valley and especially his work on the Scholarship Committee. We have one of the best representations in the state with our award recipients and a lot of this is due to the work Jim and Nellie do with the scholarships.

I know there are a many other people I should thank, and the list could stretch forever, but I do thank everyone who helped this past two years in making this a very memorable year.

I am concerned about the amount of participation in our Valley. Officers need to be more dedicated to making everything successful by attending and supporting stated meetings and events. And, the more members we get to an event the better that event will be. The program committee spends lots of time trying to provide opportunities for all members, but if they don't take advantage of these programs, we fail in our duties to help Scottish Rite Masonry grow.

Lastly, I want to thank my wife, Janet, for all of her support. She works hard to keep the Learning Center that is supported by our Valley well supplied and also works with the ISU personnel in providing whatever is needed for the center. No one can advance far in Masonry without the support of their family and Janet has always been there when she was needed. Thank you, Janet.

I end my term on a high note. I am still excited about the direction we are heading as a Valley and hope that as Barry Weer, 33° assumes the office you will all support him as well as you have supported me.

Ron Blue, 33°
Commander-in-Chief

Valley of Peoria

Events and happenings for the Valley of Peoria from April 1, 2006 through March 31, 2007.

The Valley's stated meeting is scheduled for the fourth Monday monthly and there are three Scottish Rite Clubs and a men's club within the Valley of Peoria. The Scottish Rite Clubs are open to all members along with their ladies and meet on a regular basis for dinner and entertainment. The men's club meets at noon on the 4th Wednesday and four times a year the ladies are invited for special programs. The Valley has a MSA Club and a 33° Club that meets regularly. Both clubs identify worthy goals, projects or concerns to pursue during the year.

The highlight for April was the Chapter of Rose Croix presentation of the Feast of the Paschal Lamb on April 9. This annual event is well attended and a most fitting tribute in remembrance of those of our brethren who passed to the Grand Lodge on High this past year. As has been a tradition, roses were presented to the widows and ladies. Refreshments followed in the Newman Banquet Hall following the Ceremony.

As we approached Easter, everyone started thinking in terms of our annual Easter Egg Hunt scheduled at a local public park for Saturday, April 15. Well over 200 youngsters from age three through nine years of age competed in finding their share of carefully hidden Easter eggs. Then it was off to the Valley of Peoria Cathedral for the annual program featuring the Mohammed Shrine Clowns, Funmakers, the El Bon Clowns and Abbas Grotto Clowns. All enjoyed the Gordon Snow Magic Show and the real highlight was a visit with our own real Easter Bunny.

Valley officers and members gathered on April 24 for a dinner followed by the stated meeting and then all retired to the auditorium for a presentation of the 29th degree.

The Valley sponsored its annual Appreciation Dinner on May 1. This dinner recognizes the contribution of time and labor of all workers, committee members, and past and present officers

The Valley of Peoria 32° Masonic Learning Center scheduled an Open house for members and the public on May 6, 2006. Over 200 gathered to meet the new director, tour the facilities and to learn about the center and its mission.

Open Installation of Officers was held on June 11 at the Cathedral. The officers of all four bodies were formally installed. Guests included families and Masonic dignitaries. Ill. Brother Phillip C. Kenney, MSA, 33°, Active Emeritus was the installing officer. Following the installation all attended a reception with refreshments in the Newman Banquet Hall. There were well over 120 officers, guests and families members in attendance.

Another highlight for the month of June as well as for the year was the Valley of Peoria reception for recipients of scholarships. The Scholarship Committee, composed of six Valley of Peoria members, reviews the applications and selects the recipients. The 225 in attendance at the reception included recipients, their families, college and high school counselors, as well as many Valley of Peoria members. The Valley awarded \$78,882 in scholarships with none of the awards

being less than \$1,000. This event gets good news coverage not only in Peoria but in the outlying areas as well.

Cooling weather and falling leaves found the Valley of Peoria looking forward to the annual Bratfest scheduled for September 10. This event, attended by over 400 members and guests, is an outdoor event in the Ault Park in East Peoria. The bratfest has always been a successful money maker for the Valley as well as an excellent public relations event. Door prizes were given hourly and musical entertainment continued throughout the afternoon. The event gets good coverage in area newspapers, our own Scottish Rite News and through a mailing to all members.

On Sunday, November 19, the annual Family Life Week program was held at the Scottish Rite Cathedral with approximately 90 in attendance. A local TV personality, Bob Larson, was again the Master of Ceremonies and addressed the audience regarding family life. Brother Larry Eskridge, MSA read a proclamation from Illinois Governor Blagojevich and announced the proclamations from 21 local civic leaders. Sixteen Blue Lodge "Families of the Year" were presented with framed certificates by the presiding officers. Ms. Jean Coggins and her son, Richard, were recognized as our community Family of the Year. Jean and Richard received the Duane and Poly Heward Volunteer Leadership Award from the Counseling and Family Services. Our own Learning Center Director made a presentation regarding our newly established Learning Center. The recognition program was followed by entertainment provided by the "Pride of Peoria" barbershop quartet and the enjoyable afternoon culminated with refreshments and fellowship in the Newman Banquet Hall. This event receives excellent news coverage in the area.

Another major activity for the Valley of Peoria is our participating in the Annual Santa Parade held on November 24. This was the 119th annual Santa Parade, the longest running holiday parade in the United States. Children and counselors from the Counseling and Family Services and Masonic families rode on a float. Our participants were treated to hot chocolate before the parade and candy after the parade. The parade receives excellent news coverage and the commentator, Bob Larson, prominently mentioned the work of the Scottish Rite and Counseling and Family Services as they were featured on the TV coverage.

The 11th Annual Fish Fry and Card Party was hosted in our own Newman Banquet Hall in the Cathedral on January 26. The meal of fish, coleslaw, potato salad and baked beans was enjoyed by members as well as invited guests. Following the meal, most adjourned to the euchre tournament with a few bridge and rummy games for those interested. Well over 70 were in attendance for this event and the 12th Annual Fish Fry and Euchre Tournament has been scheduled for next year. Members feel this is an excellent activity for us to establish contacts with potential members.

The annual President's Day found us hosting the *Abe Lincoln Play*, formerly the 26th for a nice size crowd. Over 70 joined us for a meal prior to the dramatic presentation. This is another annual event for the Valley of Peoria and members as well as participants look forward to the event.

Chefs and promoters got together on March 11, for our first annual Corned Beef and Cabbage dinner. All you can eat dinners were served from about 2pm

through supper time. Many joined us straight from church and stayed most of the afternoon visiting. Members deemed the event very satisfactory and we're looking forward to next year's dinner.

March was Reunion time with the Valley of Peoria joining with the Valley of Moline on March 17 and March 24. Peoria hosted the degrees on the 17 and Moline on the 24th.

The Valley of Peoria sponsored the Shotgun Red Stage Show as entertainment for members and the general public alike on Saturday, March 31. The production was well received and members and visitors alike were enthusiastic about further programs the Valley might sponsor.

Valley of Springfield

The 2006–2007 Masonic year proved to be a challenging year for the Valley of Springfield. We tried some new programs and got rid of some outdated programs. Our most challenging accomplishment this year was opening our 32° Masonic Learning Center for Children. In October, the Planning Committee transitioned to the Board of Governors and Rhiannon Robinson was hired as Director of our Learning Center. The Learning Center opened in December of 2006.

On April 5, 2006 the Valley honored the memory of members who were called to eternal refreshment in the Paradise of God during the preceding year as conducted by Paschal Lamb.

On July 15, 2006 the Valley held its annual Family Picnic, sponsored by the Chapter of Rose Croix.

On August 1, 2006 the Valley held its annual Scholarship Presentation and Reception for all the scholarship recipients for the 2006-2007 year. Scholarships were presented to 57 well-deserving students.

On August 20, 2006 the annual Golf Outing for the Valley of Springfield was held at Edgewood Golf Course in Auburn, Illinois.

On September 26, 2006 the Valley hosted its first annual Warden's Night, which provides Lodge Wardens the opportunity to hear the Illinois Grand Master present his plans for the upcoming year and to promote Scottish Rite membership.

On October 13-14, 2006 the Valley held its Fall Reunion. On October 28, 2006 the Valley sponsored the Pana Child and Safety Fair. Approximately 80 children were processed through the Grand Lodge ILCHIP Program.

On October 30, 2006 the Chapter of Rose Croix hosted a Pizza Party for all cast members and families and new members and families.

On November 19, 2006 the Valley sponsored its annual Child Health and Safety Fair at St. Johns Hospital. Approximately 100 children were processed through the Grand Lodge ILCHIP Program.

On February 11, 2007 the Consistory sponsored the Valley's annual Valentine's Day Brunch.

On March 9–10, 2007 the Valley held its Spring Reunion.

On March 18, 2007 the Chapter of Rose Croix hosted a Pizza Party for cast members and families and new members and families.

The Valley of Springfield will continue to promote Scottish Rite Masonry and to promote membership involvement. Hopefully we will increase our support to the Masonic Charities and especially to the 32^o Masonic Learning Centers for Children.

COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES

Ill.: Henry C. Tonigan, III, 33^o, Chairman:

Please be advised that there will be “No report” for this year's meeting, as there was no business conducted.

Respectfully Submitted

Henry C. Tonigan, III, 33^o, Chairman

INTRODUCTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS REPORT

To the best of my knowledge, there is no new news to report regarding the committee on the Introduction of Distinguished Guests.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas J. Lucchesi, 33^o, Chairman

COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

The Jurisprudence Committee reports that no matters were referred to the Committee for its attention or action. The Committee reports that no action was taken by the Committee.

Respectfully Submitted,

Irvin C. Slate, Jr., 33^o, Chairman
Medley A. Tornow, 33^o

COMMITTEE ON MEMBERSHIP

The membership report for the Illinois Council of Deliberation is herewith presented for this annual meeting. To say that membership recruitment in Illinois has been anything but a lackluster would certainly be a stretch after reviewing the membership totals for the year. Despite the assistance of the Grand Lodge of providing a Masonic membership list for our valleys, we seem to be unable to establish an effective membership recruitment effort. The new members in our Grand Lodge since May 1, 2006 total 1423 while the valley's in Illinois were able to garner 313 new members. To date the Grand Lodge

incurred a total loss of 2517 members while during the same time period our valleys lost 1598 members, a number equal to 63% of the Grand Lodge loss. The Grand Lodge lost 3.4% of its total membership during the year, while the Illinois Council of Deliberation loss 6.4% of its membership.

Brethren, these would be alarming loss numbers to any business, requiring them to make marketing and product changes and they would have the opportunity to do so. We do not have all of those options open to us for change. We cannot market to any other group, for our fraternity; the Grand Lodge of Illinois is our market area, our product, a great fraternity with its degrees and significant moral lessons cannot be changed to meet the market demand. Although it has been said many times in the past, I will say it again, we must place a new emphasis on marketing membership in the Scottish Rite. We have shown through the years that each of our Valleys has the staff and a good plan to present quality degrees, but we do not utilize our staff and planning for membership recruitment. We must devote as much effort to membership recruitment as we do to degree presentation. The challenge is there and for the Scottish Rite Mason the time is now.

Below (next page) is a chart with the membership numbers for each Valley for the past year with the major addition and loss categories shown.

Respectfully Submitted,

Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, Chairman

Valley Name	Beginning members	Initiation	Total Additions for the year	Deceased	Suspended	Dimitted	Losses for the year	Ending members	Total Loss for the year	% Loss
Chicago	4496	108	182	152	32	32	216	4462	34	0.756
Quincy	1160	12	18	41	12	12	67	1111	49	4.224
Freeport	2163	30	40	76	81	20	177	2026	137	6.334
Peoria	2453	17	26	114	64	24	205	2274	179	7.297
Danville	4099	63	89	163	260	29	453	3735	364	8.880
Southern Illinois	4816	38	63	146	364	24	535	4344	472	9.801
Springfield IL	2386	15	27	62	112	14	188	2225	161	6.748
Bloomington	1767	22	31	75	35	14	124	1674	93	5.263
Moline	1302	8	10	51	57	11	119	1193	109	8.372
ICOD Total	24642	313	486	880	1017	180	2084	23044	1598	6.485
Grand Lodge of Illinois	73948	1423	3891	2218	814	1207	6408	71431	2517	3.404
ICOD % of Grand Lodge Members	33.32	22.00	12.49	39.68	124.94	14.91	32.52	32.26	63.49	

Fraternally yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, starting with a large, stylized cross symbol. The signature reads "Lee B. Lockwood, 33°".

Lee B. Lockwood, 33°
Illustrious Commander-in-Chief
Deputy for Illinois

Attest:

A handwritten signature in black ink, starting with a large, stylized cross symbol. The signature reads "Gregory R. Klemm, MSA, 33°".

Gregory R. Klemm, MSA, 33°
Secretary

2008-2010 REUNION DATES

Valley of Bloomington

2008

May 2-3
Nov. 14-15

2009

April 24-25
Nov. 6-7

2010

February 27-27
November 19-20

Valley of Chicago

2008

April 4-5
Nov. 7-8

*2009

April 10-11
Nov. 6-7

*2010

March 26-27
Nov 5-6

Valley of Danville

2008

April 4-5
Oct. 24-25

2009

April 3-4
Oct. 23-24

2010

March 19-20
October 29-30

Valley of Freeport

2008

April 4-5
Nov. 7-8

2009

April 3-4
Nov. 6-7

2010

April 2-3
November 5-6

Valley of Moline

2008

March 14-15
Oct. 17-18

2009

March 20-21
Oct. 16-17

2010

March 19-20
October 15-16

Valley of Peoria

2008

March 28-29
Nov. 7-8

2009

March 6-7
Oct. 2-3

2010

March 5-6
November 5-6

*Chicago's 2009 & 2010 dates are tentative

Valley of Quincy**2008**

April 4-5
Nov. 7-8

2009

March 27-28
Nov. 6-7

2010

March 19-20
November 5-6

Valley of Southern Illinois**2008**

April 11-12
Oct. 24-25

2009

May 8-9
Oct. 23-24

2010

April 23-24
October 22-23

Valley of Springfield**2008**

March 7-8
Oct. 17-18

2009

March 6-7
Oct. 16-17

2010

March 5-6
October 15-16

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 14° Membership Statistics (As of April 30th of given year)

ILLINOIS MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS 2007-2008

Beginning Membership	Bloomington	Chicago	Danville	Freeport	Moline	Peoria	Quincy	Southern Illinois	Springfield	Total Illinois
Affiliations	1,767	4,496	4,099	2,163	1,302	2,453	1,160	4,816	2,386	24,642
Sum of Affiliations	22	108	63	30	8	17	12	38	15	313
Restorations	0	0	2	1	1	3	3	3	2	15
Death Restorations	9	73	23	9	1	6	3	22	10	156
	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Total Increase	31	182	89	40	10	26	18	63	27	486
Deceased	75	152	163	76	51	114	41	146	62	880
Suspended	35	32	260	81	57	64	12	364	112	1,017
Discharged	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	1	0	6
Expelled	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Demitted	14	32	29	20	11	24	12	24	14	180
Total Losses	124	216	453	177	119	205	67	535	188	2,084
Net Change	(93)	(34)	(364)	(137)	(109)	(179)	(49)	(472)	(161)	(1,598)
Ending Membership	1,674	4,462	3,735	2,026	1,193	2,274	1,111	4,344	2,225	23,044
Membership Change Percent	-5.26%	-0.76%	-8.88%	-6.33%	-8.37%	-7.30%	-4.22%	-9.80%	-6.75%	-6.48%
Beginning Senior Membership	43	489	197	191	139	133	65	365	217	1,839
Senior Additions	25	22	101	1	1	4	4	21	29	208
Senior Losses	9	61	61	26	20	23	12	39	22	273
Ending Senior Membership	59	450	237	166	120	114	57	347	224	1,774
Senior Membership Change	16	(39)	40	(25)	(19)	(19)	(8)	(18)	7	(65)

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In Memoriam

CHICAGO

George C. F. Niemann

Born November 27, 1917

Died April 29, 2006

QUINCY

David W. Montgomery

Born September 23, 1924

Died June 16, 2006

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

Paul S. Rongey, Sr.

Born November 24, 1928

Died June 29, 2006

CHICAGO

Emory D. O'Bryan

Born July 21, 1925

Died July 12, 2006

DANVILLE

James R. Lewis

Born March 10, 1916

Died July 19, 2006

FREEPORT

Thomas J. Andersen

Born August 18, 1941

October 17, 2006

DANVILLE

Gayle H. Cravens

Born June 3, 1928

Died October 20, 2006

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In Memoriam

BLOOMINGTON

William R. Barnard

Born January 31, 1926

Died November 2, 2006

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

William R. Popkess

Born September 8, 1929

Died November 11, 2006

DANVILLE

Fred L. Hubbard

Born April 14, 1940

Died December 18, 2006

BLOOMINGTON

William C. Roseboom

Born June 17, 1910

Died December 21, 2006

PEORIA

John R. Reeves

Born January 14, 1940

Died December 29, 2006

PEORIA

M. Richard Wieman

Born August 12, 1922

Died February 7, 2007


FREEPORT

John W. Mathews

Born December 17, 1924

Died February 22, 2007

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**In
Memoriam**

DANVILLE
Sammy J. Bundy
Born November 3, 1947 Died February 28, 2007

DANVILLE
William B. Barnes
Born August 18, 1924 March 18, 2007

CHICAGO
Warren S. Lindvig
Born November 1, 1928 March 26, 2007

SPRINGFIELD
Rolland F. Tipword
Born August 19, 1925 April 5, 2007

FREEPORT
Robert L. Pinnow
Born February 28, 1918 Died June 16, 2007

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MOLINE

HONORARY MEMBERS OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL, 33° (LIVING)

1969 Lyle Paul Hoogheem	1992 Ronald Eugene Fullerlove
1971 William David Barkman	1992 Harry Elam Hamilton, Jr.
1976 Homer Lee Zumwalt	1993 Albert Halick Fitch
1977 Gary Curtis Mitchell	1993 Merle Robert Moffitt
1978 Roland Everett Mose	1993 Richard Norton Pierce
1979 Lawrence Marvin Weiss	1994 Keith Glenn Roesner
1979 Charles Houston Willey	1994 Johnny Arthur Wagner
1980 Clinton Richard Wheeler	1995 William B. Endres
1983 Kenneth Eugene Brandt	1996 Gregory G. Lindsay
1984 Eric Reid Trimble	2000 Grady Matthew Birdsell
1986 Jay Mons Hawkinson	2000 Robert Lane Millikan
1987 Newel LaVern Robertson	2002 Alden Parker Kipp
1989 Clifford Ernest Shafer	2005 Arthur Eugene Hamman, Jr., MSA
1989 William Henry Bruce	2005 Daniel Carter Yandel
1990 Lloyd Thomas Balmer	2006 Mark Robert Hepner
1991 Walter Monroe Pumfrey	2006 David Keith Poffenbarger
1992 Donald Lyle Anderson	

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CITATION FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

1965.....	*Harold Augustus Sofield, 33°	Valley of Chicago
1966.....	*Harlan A. English, 33°	Valley of Danville
1967.....	*Alphonse Cerza, 33°	Valley of Chicago
1968.....	*Harold D. Ross, 33°	Valley of Freeport
1969.....	*Delyte W. Morris, 33°	Valley of So. Illinois
1970.....	*Robert C. Underwood, 33°	Valley of Bloomington
1971.....	*Louis L. Williams, 33°	Valley of Bloomington
1982.....	*Paul R. Stephens, 33°	Valley of Quincy
1983.....	*Harry H. Hoyman, 33°	Valley of Freeport
1984.....	*Robert A. Stuart, 33°	Valley of Springfield
1985.....	*Caswell Jones Crebs, 32°	Valley of Danville
1986.....	*Walter Cheadle Kennedy, 33°	Valley of Peoria
1987.....	*George Henry Johnson, 33°	Valley of Quincy
1988.....	*John Tullis Neeley, 33°	Valley of Quincy
1989.....	*Frank D. Hartenstein, 33°	Valley of Bloomington
1990.....	*Harold G. Baker, 33°	Valley of So. Illinois
1991.....	Charles Huston Willey, 33°	Valley of Moline
1992.....	Charles Franklin Gambill, 33°	Valley of Chicago
1993.....	Homer L. Zumwalt, 33°	Valley of Moline
1994.....	William E. Foose, 33°	Valley of Quincy
1995.....	William B. Barnes, 33°	Valley of Danville
1996.....	*Charles W. Hartman, Jr., MSA, 33°	Valley of Springfield
1997.....	E. Gene Ross, 33°	Valley of So. Illinois
1998.....	Eldon R. Atwood, 33°	Valley of Quincy
1999.....	Marshall L. Hartman, 33°	Valley of So. Illinois
2000.....	Gregory L. Clark, 33°	Valley of Bloomington
2001.....	Robert W. LaSurs, 33°	Valley of Southern Illinois
2002.....	Gary D. Hermann, 33°	Valley of Peoria
2003.....	William H. McDaniels, 33°	Valley of Peoria
2004.....	C. Walden Crouch, 33°	Valley of Bloomington
2005.....	Donald L. Anderson, 33°	Valley of Moline
2006.....	Norman R. Buecker, 33°	Valley of Springfield
2007.....	John A. Reining, 33°	Valley of Freeport

*Deceased

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MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

CHICAGO

1962	Ridell A. Kelsey, Jr.	1991	Richard Thomas Carnall
1969	Elmer William Gielow	1992	Allen Robert Kohn
1972	William Joseph Bissen	1993	Albert Bernice Daily, Jr.
1978	Stephen R. Greenberg	1993	Harold James Spelman
1979	Martin James Argall	1994	Moulton Babcock Goff, Jr.
1979	Kenneth Peter Johnson	1997	Robert H. Stever
1980	Robert Warren Kenaga	1998	John J. Faklis
1981	Dale Raymond Bennett	1998	Roy L. Stastny
1981	Gerald Dean Carlton	2000	James W. Reder, Sr.
1981	Frank Albert Edelman	2001	Sam V. Loiacono
1981	George Jovanovich	2002	William C. Aylesworth
1982	John Chancellor Gray	2002	Richard S. Cackovic
1983	Homer Allison Guy	2002	David F. Sedivy
1983	Steve Michael Klos	2002	Alan P. Taylor
1984	Eugene C. Thornton	2003	Anthony R. Oliver
1985	James Edward Durbin	2003	Edward A. Rund
1985	Severo Kintana Guerrero	2003	Martin G. Vilimek
1985	Russell Otto Hoepfner	2004	Marion E. Bell
1986	Hugh Audas Cole	2004	Read L. Rogers
1988	Carl Henry Anderson	2004	Loren S. Wright
1988	Donald Henry Helmig	2005	Ponciano S. Cochon, Sr.
1988	James Kimura	2005	Jay Faermark
1988	Norman Otto Marose, Sr.	2005	John D. Revere
1989	Warren Lee Jinks	2006	Daryl W. Selock
1989	Mohsen G. Modaresi	2006	William J. Smith
1989	Chester Peck Smith	2006	Edward C. Steffy
1990	Randall William Becker	2006	Edward J. Witas, III
1990	Gregory Robert Klemm	2007	Arthur R. De Baere
1990	Earl Raymond Nelson	2007	Frank P. Lasick, Jr.
1990	Robert G. Proudfoot	2007	James H. Oehler
1990	Raymond H. Rickhoff	2007	Frank S. Winans
1991	Harry Richard Brahmstadt, Jr.		

QUINCY

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

1970 John Cornelius Irwin	1992 Charles William Duesdieker Jr.
1975 Henry Otto Wiegmann	1993 Jerry Lee Wells
1976 William Owen Mays	1994 James Frederick Albsmeyer
1978 Edgar Rimbey Johnson	1995 Don Franklin Lair, Sr.
1980 John Dunbar Watson	1997 Truman Conner
1983 Donald Arthur Brown	1998 Frank W. Turnbull
1983 Larry John Lepper	1999 William O. Mays, Jr.
1985 Wilbur T. Hetzler	2001 David M. Liesen
1987 Terry Jay Coker	2002 Pressly A. Laird
1988 David Freeman Higgins	2003 Randy M. Zaerr
1989 Henry Jay Sade	2004 Denver L. Echternkamp
1990 William Albert Hageman	2005 Russell A. Lawson
1991 Robert John Noll	2006 Dean Heitz

FREEPORT

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

1968 Calvin Joe Broughton	1994 James Omer Kenagy, Jr.
1970 Willard F. Diestelmeier	1995 Donald Wayne Jones
1971 Robert Edward Davis	1995 Henry Nathaniel Wilson
1974 Vernon M. Prestegaard	1996 Earl Victor Fulling
1975 Ross E. Niebergall	1996 Donald Edwin Kimes
1977 Nick John Feller	1998 William E. Hermsmeier
1978 Robert Clifton Bast	1999 Craig R. Sand
1981 Homer Leroy Snyder	2002 Daniel R. Hartman
1982 John Henry Harris	2002 Darrell K. Stephens
1983 Virgil Lloyd Bowers	2003 Charles A. Brown
1985 Donald Allan Burkholder	2004 Frederick E. Schubert
1985 Irvin Richard Cuthbertson	2005 Elbert D. Barrett
1986 Karl Leon Trester	2005 John J. Kempel
1991 William James Tate, Sr.	2006 William E. Olmstead, Jr.
1992 Charles Cloyd Beard	2007 Donald H. Bolen
1993 Walter Montgomery Hoffman	2007 Bertil Person, Jr.

PEORIA

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

1960 Robert Frederick Voss	1988 Quentin Howard Willmam
1973 Phillip Charles Kenney	1989 Robert Alden Burhans, Jr.
1974 Burton L. Hasselberg	1991 Jay Phillip Parker
1975 Stephen M. Burroughs	1992 Paul Dean Thatcher, Sr.
1975 Charles Ray Smith	1993 Robert Hugh Orrill
1978 Dean Herschel Fetters	1994 Robert Erb Musser, Jr.
1978 James Fulker Wise	1995 Richard Dale Bean
1979 Jerry Walters Winberry	1997 Michael Craig Hinds
1980 Lynn Norbert Banta	2001 James D. Durham
1980 Gary Homer Hamm	2002 Robert L. Cook
1980 Louis Donald Shuford	2002 Richard E. Hummel
1980 Kenneth Drake Swords	2002 Marion J. Goeken
1981 Jerry Ray Collins	2003 Edward E. Derry
1981 Thomas Clyde Duncan	2004 Lawrence R. Eskridge
1981 William Gregory Light	2005 Edward A. Gienow
1982 Tom Velon	2005 G. Nick Graff
1983 John Lorenz Becker	2005 John W. Sutherland
1983 Raymond C. Eyster, Jr.	2006 David Luther McKinney
1984 Robert E. Musser, Sr.	2007 Gordon Ray Babcock
1984 Donald Bruce Naderhoff	2007 Howard Wayne Hoffman
1987 Leslie Irving Casali	

DANVILLE

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

1972 Everett Russell Fuller	1994 John Calvin Bracewell
1976 Phillip Eugene Elder	1995 David Dean Hesler
1980 John Leroy Clingan	1997 Earl Roscoe Harrison
1980 Harold Dean Oakley	1997 Lowell Dee Hill
1983 Eugene A. Marlatt	1998 James Alden Evans
1984 Homer T. Smith, Sr.	1999 Gene L. Quick
1985 Frank J. Chiaramello	1999 Ralph D. Portlock
1985 John Arthur Lamb	2000 Sammie H. Robinson
1986 Francis Wayne Bariether	2000 Benny A. Stutesman
1987 Charles C. Cronkhite	2000 Ronald E. Stutesman
1988 Raymond B. Smith	2001 Jimmie D. Gilliland
1988 Robert Lee Stutesman	2001 Henry Walsh
1989 Russell LeRoy Burgin	2002 Larry Gene Mason
1990 Harry Franklin Muller, Jr.	2002 Seigel Howard Hall
1991 Donald Meddie Bertrand	2002 Richard Carter Helck
1991 Max Benjamin Pennington	2002 Paul Murrh
1991 Jesse Grover Scott	2003 Phillip L. Green
1993 Theodore Russell Williams	2003 David L. Evans
1993 Harold David Wheatley	2003 Richard E. Chapman
1994 Richard Allen Thompson	2003 Daryl A. Grove

DANVILLE—Continued

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

2004 Donald W. Davis	2006 William A. Harrison
2004 Dale D. Downs	2006 Theo D. McConnell
2004 Jesse R. Higginson	2006 Montell J. Smith
2005 Robert E. Carter	2007 Ronald R. Boswell
2005 John T. Orme	2007 Ronald R. Colwell
2005 James E. Pierce	2007 Mitchell L. Duszynski
2006 Kevin J. Brown	2007 J. Stratton Watson

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

1973 Thomas J. Barschak	1995 Robert E. Beard
1975 Hallie Fred Lewis	1995 Robert T. Ferguson
1977 Ronald Wayne Miller	1995 David W. Matzenbacher
1979 Harry Garreth Seper, Sr.	1996 Robert F. Buck
1980 Jack D. Scoville	1996 Wayne G. Forcade
1980 Richard C. Townsend	1996 Robert B. LaSurs
1981 William Charles Dallas	1997 Doyle W. Clubb, Sr.
1981 Leon Martin Welch	1997 Stephen R. Taylor
1982 Albert Thomas Walter	1997 Benjamin E. Ward
1983 Donald Eugene Crisel	1998 Roy B. Patton
1984 Wade Lee Hedger	1998 Robert G. Spencer
1984 Mark Steven Szoke	1998 James O. Thompson
1984 William R. Witham	1999 Franklin L. Porch
1985 Charles E. Hileman, Jr.	1999 B. Lee Reeves
1986 James R. Turner	1999 Carrol R. Sinks, Jr.
1987 Richard Barnes Barnett	2000 Melvin L. Maricle
1987 Harold Bernard Mueller	2002 Louis Holcman
1988 Gary Joseph Buckrod	2002 Brian K. Cutler
1988 John William Craver	2002 Paul L. Kueker
1988 Ervin Odell Schultz	2003 John R. Stephens
1989 Cullen Clarence Clauser	2003 Donald R. Phipps
1989 William Edward Swyear	2003 William Osborn
1989 Eddie Eugene Turner	2004 Steven E. Kraus
1990 Gerald Roy Armstrong	2004 Mark P. Maxwell
1991 Russell Lee Hauser	2004 Darrell E. Smith
1992 Richard Leroy Adams	2005 Walter R. Beatty
1992 Paul Howard Booth	2005 Larry L. Johns
1992 Mack Marshall Farmer	2005 Kenneth W. Oakley
1993 William Henry James	2005 Melvis F. Stephens
1993 Frank Edward Martinez	2006 John William McGee
1993 Charles T. Bordoli	2007 Robert Lee Carr, Jr.
1994 Enrico Tolentino Farinas, Jr.	2007 Carl Eugene Hall
1994 Sidney Irvin Strotheide	2007 Kenneth Norman Overturf
1994 Robert Wayne Triplett	2007 Lee Roy Sauzek

SPRINGFIELD

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

1965	Norman Ray Buecker	1996	John Robert Funk
1977	Wayne Calhoun Temple	1997	Charles Melvin Adner
1978	Thomas W Vredenburgh	1997	Larry Alson Hamlin
1980	Benny Lamar Grisham	1998	Larry Walsh
1980	John Richard Swinburne	2000	Charles H. Siemer
1981	Carlos Frank Baker	2000	Perrine E. Thompson
1981	Leon Hacker	2001	Robert Kalb
1983	Donald Eugene Mohr	2002	Ronald G. Guppy, Sr.
1984	John Cameron Kinser	2002	Clifford C. Sullivan
1985	Merle Lee Kirby	2003	James W. Boggs
1988	Bernard Neal Birk	2003	Robert A. Hough
1989	August A. Candioto, Jr.	2003	Frank M. Lane
1990	Raymond Lowell Reed	2004	Franklin E. Cline
1991	Lon Douglas Burke	2004	Benjamin Franklin Harmony
1993	Jack Lee Thompson	2004	John Thomas Hughes
1994	William Dale Graber	2005	Eugene Gyure, Jr.
1994	Joseph George Hutter	2006	Gary Lee Williams
1995	Walter E. Davison	2007	Kraig E. Sullivan, Sr.
1995	Edward Allen Jackson	2007	G. Robert Turner
1996	Floyd Richard Carlson		

BLOOMINGTON

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

1963	James Harold Gordon	1993	John Albert Hulett
1970	David Arthur Patterson	1994	Darwin Dareyl Brown
1977	Viggo Jorgensen Frost	1995	Forrest Leland DeVore
1978	Arthur Floyd Willan	1996	Donald Ray Gottselig
1981	Ivan Ernest Scott	1997	Kenneth Mitchell Aucutt
1982	Robert Eugene Jones	1998	Edwin B. Smiley
1983	Ronald Franklin Lowery	2000	M. Merle Murray
1983	Kenneth Wayne Smith	2001	Alan J. Leicht
1984	Earnest Gene Vittitoe	2002	Roger F. Aukerman
1985	John Eugene Fry	2002	Robert G. Leggett, Jr.
1986	Danny Hirst Raber	2003	James C. Cloyd
1988	Albert Earle Geske	2004	Paul E. Clark
1989	James Oscar Sharp	2005	Richard L. Carman
1991	Charles Hans Casperson	2006	Ross Allen Funk
1992	Donald Eugene Mayol	2007	Donald Gene Anderson

MOLINE

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

1963	Lyle Paul Hoogheem	1996	Ernest S. Wedell, Jr.
1971	Roland Everett Mose	1997	Robert L. Millikan
1973	Gary Curtis Mitchell	1998	Alden Kipp
1976	Lawrence Marvin Weiss	1999	Samuel L. Brooks
1982	Jay Mons Hawkinson	2000	Mark R. Hepner
1984	Albert Halick Fitch	2001	Arthur H. Hemm
1985	James Wayne Dellitt	2002	David Newton
1988	Merle Robert Moffitt	2003	Donald R. Wood
1990	William Bervin Endres	2004	Randy D. Fitch
1991	Gregory George Lindsay	2005	Lauren L. Crawford
1991	Richard Norton Pierce	2006	Arlo Ray Sloan
1993	Roland Louis Kroeger	2007	Richard David Hacker
1995	Arthur E. Hamman, Jr.		

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COUNCILS OF DELIBERATION

The date and place of all Meetings of the Illinois Council of Deliberation from 1869 through 1965 appear on pages 316 and 317 of *A History of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Illinois*, © 1966, Illinois Council of Deliberation. Meetings since 1965 have been held as follows:

Danville.....	Stated.....	June 3-4, 1966
Chicago.....	Stated.....	June 9-10, 1967
Freeport.....	Stated.....	June 7-8, 1968
Moline.....	Stated.....	June 6-7, 1969
Springfield.....	Stated.....	June 12-13, 1970
Peoria.....	Stated.....	June 11-12, 1971
Bloomington.....	Stated.....	June 2-3, 1972
Quincy.....	Stated.....	June 1-2, 1973
Southern Illinois.....	Stated.....	May 31 - June 1, 1974
Danville.....	Stated.....	June 6-7, 1975
Chicago.....	Stated.....	June 4-5, 1976
Rockford (Freeport).....	Stated.....	June 3-4, 1977
Moline.....	Stated.....	June 2-3, 1978
Springfield.....	Stated.....	June 1-2, 1979
Peoria.....	Stated.....	June 6-7, 1980
Bloomington.....	Stated.....	June 5-6, 1981
Springfield (Quincy).....	Stated.....	June 4-5, 1982
Springfield (So. Illinois).....	Stated.....	June 3-4, 1983
Springfield (Danville).....	Stated.....	June 1-2, 1984
Springfield (Chicago).....	Stated.....	June 7-8, 1985
Springfield (Freeport).....	Stated.....	June 6-7, 1986
Springfield (Moline).....	Stated.....	June 5-6, 1987
Springfield (Springfield).....	Stated.....	June 3-4, 1988
Moline.....	Stated.....	June 2-3, 1989
Bloomington.....	Stated.....	June 1-2, 1990
Peoria.....	Stated.....	June 7-8, 1991
St. Louis (So. Illinois).....	Stated.....	June 5-6, 1992
Rockford.....	Stated.....	June 4-5, 1993
Champaign (Danville).....	Stated.....	June 3-4, 1994
Arlington Heights (Chicago).....	Stated.....	June 2-3, 1995
Moline.....	Stated.....	June 14-15, 1996
Springfield.....	Stated.....	June 13-14, 1997
Springfield (Quincy).....	Stated.....	June 12-13, 1998
Decatur(Bloomington).....	Stated.....	June 11-12, 1999
Decatur (So. Illinois).....	Stated.....	June 9-10, 2000
Peoria.....	Stated.....	June 15-16, 2001
Peoria (Freeport).....	Stated.....	June 14-15, 2002
Springfield (Danville).....	Stated.....	June 6-7, 2003
Schaumburg (Chicago).....	Stated.....	June 4-5, 2004
Moline.....	Stated.....	June 3-4, 2005
Springfield.....	Stated.....	June 2-3, 2006
Springfield.....	Stated.....	June 8-9, 2007

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HONORARY MEMBERS OF THE ILLINOIS COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION

* Ill. : W. Henry Roberts, 33°	Valley of Indianapolis, Indiana	1967
* Ill. : Byard L. Smith, 33°	Valley of Fort Wayne, Indiana	1967
* Ill. : Albert P. Ruèrat, 33°	Valley of Providence, Rhode Island	1968
* Ill. : James O. Lunsford, 33°	Valley of Detroit, Michigan	1968
* Ill. : Albert N. Helper, 33°	Valley of South Bend, Indiana	1969
* Ill. : Henry C. Shull, 33°	Valley of Sioux City, Iowa	1969
* Ill. : Donald L. Witter, 33°	Sov. Gr. Comm. of Canada	1970
* Ill. : W. Wallace Kent, 33°	Valley of Grand Rapids, Michigan	1972
* Ill. : John A. Lloyd, 33°	Valley of Cincinnati, Ohio	1973
* Ill. : Stanley F. Maxwell, 33°	Valley of Boston, Massachusetts	1974
* Ill. : W. Orville Kimmel, 33°	Valley of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania	1975
* Ill. : Franklin G. Hinckley, 33°	Valley of Portland, Maine	1975
Ill. : Sidney R. Baxter, 33°	Valley of Detroit, Michigan	1975
* Ill. : Giovanni Pica, 33°	Sov. Gr. Comm. of Italy	1975
Ill. : Manlio Cecovini, 33°	Lt. Gr. Comm. Italy	1975
Ill. : Alberto Mansur, 33°	Sov. Gr. Comm. of Brazil, S. A.	1975
* Ill. : Jose Fernandes Campos, 33°	Lt. Gr. Comm. of Brazil, S. A.	1975
Ill. : Geraldo de Souza, 33°	Gr. Minister of State, Brazil, S. A.	1975
Ill. : Kurt Max Hauser, 33°	Active Member of Brazil, S. A.	1975
* Ill. : George F. Peabody, 33°	Valley of Bangor, Maine	1976
* Ill. : Forrest A. Wakeman, 33°	Valley of Indianapolis	1977
* Ill. : Floyd W. McBurney, 33°	Valley of Madison, Wisconsin	1977
* Ill. : William W. Brubaker, 33°	Orient of Iowa (Davenport)	1977
* Ill. : Raymond C. Ellis, 33°	Valley of New York City	1978
* Ill. : Walter C. Ploeser, 33°	Orient of Missouri (St. Louis)	1980
Ill. : Robert L. Miller, 33°	Valley of South Bend, Indiana	1981
Ill. : Robert B. Nienow, 33°	Valley of Milwaukee, Wisconsin	1982
* Ill. : Francis G. Paul, 33°	Valley of Binghamton, New York	1983
* Ill. : Carl C. Worfel, 33°	Valley of Grand Rapids, Michigan	1984
Ill. : John W. McNaughton, 33°	Valley of Fort Wayne, Indiana	1986
Ill. : Dale O. Babbitt, 33°	Valley of Eau Claire, Wisconsin	1986
Ill. : Denman G. Kramer, 33°	Valley of Madison, Wisconsin	1986
Ill. : Charles F. Greevy, 33°	Valley of Williamsport, Pennsylvania	1987
Ill. : James S. DeMond, 33°	Valley of Southern New Jersey	1988
Ill. : Arthur H. Sharp, 33°	Valley of Boston, Massachusetts	1991
Ill. : Harry S. Barrows, 33°	Orient of Iowa (Des Moines)	1992
* Bro. James T. Miller, 32°	Valley of Chicago	1992
Ill. : Earl K. Dille, 33°	Valley of St. Louis	1994
Ill. : Robert O. Ralston, 33°	Valley of Cincinnati, Ohio	1997
Ill. : John E. Moyers, 33°	Orient of Kentucky, S.M.J.	1998
Ill. : Brian L. Abrams, Sr., 33°	Orient of Illinois, P.H.A.	2000
Ill. : Norman L. Christensen, 33°	Active for Wisconsin	2002
Ill. : William Fox, Jr., 33°	Active for Indiana	2003
Ill. : Richard B. Burgess, 33°	Asst. to Sov. Grand Commander	2005
Ill. : Robert G. Elrod, 33°	Deputy for Indiana	2006
Ill. : Erwin W. O'Dell, MSA, 33°	Deputy for Michigan	2006
Ill. : JOHN W. McNAUGHTON, 33°	Sovereign Grand Commander	2007

*Deceased

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ACTIVE MEMBERS OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL FROM ILLINOIS

Charles Robert Starkweather—May 15, 1857-1867.....	Chicago
Deputy 1863-1865	
Hosmer Allen Johnson—May 16, 1861-1891.....	Chicago
Deputy 1867 & 1872-1881	
Robert Harris FossMay—1865-1907.....	Chicago
Walter Augustus Stevens—December 14, 1866-1907.....	Chicago
Deputy 1867-1869	
Vincent Lombard Hurlbut—June 25, 1868-1896.....	Chicago
Deputy 1869-1872	
*John Corson Smith—September 27, 1883-1920.....	Freeport
Deputy 1883-1900	
Gilbert Wordsworth Barnard—September 15, 1891-1908.....	Chicago
*James Andrew Hawley—September 21, 1893-1898.....	Chicago
Amos Pettibone—September 15, 1896-1926.....	Chicago
Deputy 1900-1911	
Sylvester Omer Spring—September 19, 1899-1936.....	Peoria
Deputy 1914-1932	
James Burton McFatrigh—September 16, 1908-1914.....	Chicago
Deputy 1911-1914	
*LeRoy Albert Goddard—September 20, 1910-1932.....	Chicago
Emeritus 1932-1936	
*Delmar Duane Darrah—September 19, 1911-1945.....	Bloomington
Deputy 1932-1945	
Charles Hadley Spilman—September 18, 1917-1940.....	Southern Illinois
†*Louis Lincoln Emmerson—September 19, 1928-1941.....	Springfield
Carl Annis Miller—September 24, 1940-1970.....	Chicago
Deputy 1947-1963	
Charles Oliver DeMoure—September 25, 1940-1956.....	Peoria
Carey B. Hall—September 24, 1940-1951.....	Danville
Emeritus 1951-1960	
Aubrey Prosser—September 28, 1943-1947.....	Chicago
Deputy 1945-1947	

- Louis Ernest Hey—September 25, 1951-1962Springfield
- Fred Louis Wham—September 23, 1952-1967Southern Illinois
- Louis Lenway Williams—September 23, 1958-1973Bloomington
Deputy 1963-1971
Emeritus 1973-1990
- *Myron Kendall Lingle—September 24, 1963-1975Springfield
Deputy 1971-1974
- George Edward Burow—September 29, 1966-1984Danville
Deputy 1974-1981
- James Daniel Green—September 23, 1969-1976Chicago
Emeritus 1976-1985
- Arlo Ezekiel Bane—September 23, 1975-1981Bloomington
Emeritus
- Robert Bridges Perkins—September 23, 1975-1987Southern. Illinois
Deputy 1981-1986
Emeritus 1986-1987
- Robert Lee Giesel—September 30, 1976-Chicago
Deputy 1986-1992
Emeritus 1992-1999
- *Norman R. Buecker—September 29, 1981-Springfield
Deputy 1992-
- Phillip C. Kenney—September 26, 1985-Peoria
- Robert W. LaSurs—September 25, 1986-Southern Illinois
- Harold E. Witte—September 30, 1992-1995Freeport
Past Active 1995-
- *Lawrence D. Inglis—October 1, 1995Chicago
- Lee B. Lockwood—September 25, 2001Freeport
- James L. Tungate—September 25, 2001Danville
- *Benny L. Grisham—August 29, 2005Springfield
- John T. Phillips—August 29, 2006Chicago

*Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Illinois

†Governor of the State of Illinois

N.B. Henry Harrison Pond was appointed Special Deputy 1882-1883

ACTIVE MEMBERS FROM ILLINOIS BY VALLEY

VALLEY OF CHICAGO

Gilbert W. Barnard
 Robert H. Foss
 Robert L. Giesel
 LeRoy A. Goddard
 James D. Green
 James A. Hawley
 Vincent L. Hurlburt
 * Lawrence D. Inglis
 Hosmer A. Johnson
 James B. McFatrach
 Carl A. Miller
 Amos Pettibone
 Aubrey Prosser
 Charles R. Starkweather
 Walter A. Stevens
 * John T. Phillips

VALLEY OF FREEPORT

John C. Smith
 * Harold E. Witte
 * Lee B. Lockwood

VALLEY OF PEORIA

Charles O. DeMoure
 * Phillip C. Kenney
 Sylvester O. Spring

VALLEY OF DANVILLE

George E. Burow
 Carey B Hall
 * James L. Tungate

VALLEY OF SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

* Robert W. LaSurs
 Robert B. Perkins
 Charles H. Spilman
 Fred L. Wham

VALLEY OF SPRINGFIELD

* Norman R. Buecker
 Louis L. Emmerson
 Louis E. Hey
 Myron K. Lingle
 * Benny L. Grisham

VALLEY OF BLOOMINGTON

Arlo E. Bane
 Delmar D. Darrah
 Louis L. Williams

*Living

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RULES AND REGULATIONS
of the
Illinois Council of Deliberation

of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Free Masonry, as amended and adopted June 6, 1964 and as further amended in 1967, 1968, 1970, 1972, 1973, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1984, 1986, 1990 1992, 2001 and 2006.

ARTICLE I
Title and Membership

1. This Council shall be known as the Illinois Council of Deliberation of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry.
2. It is formed under, recognizes the authority of, and acknowledges and yields allegiance to the Supreme Council of Sovereign Grand Inspectors-General of the Thirty-third and last degree of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America, having its Grand Orient at the City of Lexington, State of Massachusetts.
3. It shall be composed of the Active, Active Emeriti, and Honorary Members of the Supreme Council accredited to each State; the Past First and Past Second Lieutenant Commanders of the Council of Deliberation; the Past Commanders-in-Chief of Consistories; the Past Most Wise Masters of Chapters of Rose Croix; the Past Sovereign Princes of Councils of Princes of Jerusalem; the Past Thrice Potent Masters of Lodges of Perfection; those members of Subordinate Bodies in the State who have received the Meritorious Service Award from the Council of Deliberation of such State, the first four elected Officers of Lodges of Perfection, the first four elected Officers of Councils of Princes of Jerusalem, the first three elected Officers of Chapters of Rose Croix, the first three elected Officers of Consistory, as well as the Treasurer and Secretary of Subordinate Bodies, shall constitute a Council of Deliberation for the State of which the Deputy for that State shall be ex officio Illustrious Commander-in-Chief.
4. Any Officer of a Subordinate Body of the Rite entitled to a seat in this Council who may be unable to be present at any meeting of this Council, may appoint any member of the body of which he is such officer, his proxy, to act in his stead at such meeting, provided that no such proxy shall represent more than one member of the Council, and provided that such appointment shall be in writing and shall bear the official seal of said subordinate body.

ARTICLE II
Meetings

1. This council shall meet annually. A special meeting of this Council may be called by the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, if in his judgement such meeting is necessary

and required for the welfare of the Council; or by this Council at any meeting. The Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, with the advice of the Executive Committee, shall determine and fix the place and dates of all meetings, and in connection therewith shall designate the host Valley which shall be responsible for correlating all plans and details of the annual meeting with the designated host city.

2. Written or printed notice of each annual or special meeting of this Council shall be given by the Secretary either in person or by mail to each member, not less than ten days prior to the date of such meeting. Such notice shall set forth the time and place of said meeting, and as to special meetings shall set forth the purpose thereof. If mailed the said notice shall be enclosed in a postpaid envelope addressed to each member at his address and same shall then appear upon the records of this Council.
3. It shall be the duty of the first four officers of Lodgers and Councils and the first three officers of Chapters and Consistories, unless excused by the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, to attend the meetings of this Council and to assist in promoting the general welfare of the Rite.
4. Accredited representatives of a majority of the Scottish Rite Bodies in the State shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
5. The order of business at the annual meetings of this Council shall be fixed by the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, and in addition to the reception of distinguished visitors, the address of the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, the reports of committees, the election of and installment of officers, shall consist of such other items as may be placed thereon by the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief.
6. The Secretary of the Council shall send a copy of the printed Proceedings of all annual meetings, upon written request, to each member of the Council, and in addition thereto, to each Active and Active Emeritus Member of the Supreme Council.

ARTICLE III **Officers of the Council**

1. At its annual meeting the Council shall elect the following officers to hold office until their successors shall be elected and installed:

First Lieutenant Commander
Second Lieutenant Commander
Minister of State
Chancellor
Prior
Treasurer
Secretary
Master of Ceremonies
Hospitaler
Seneschal
Standard Bearer
Guard
Sentinel

The Deputy may appoint such additional officers for the administration of the Council as he shall deem necessary.

2. No person shall be eligible to hold any office in this Council unless he be a member thereof.
3. In the event of vacancy in any office, caused by removal from the State, absence, resignation, death, or inability to act, the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief may make appointments to fill such vacancy or vacancies, to be in force until the next annual election.
4. The Illustrious Commander-in-Chief shall preside at all meetings of this Council. If the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief shall not be present at any meeting of this Council the First Lieutenant Commander, or in his absence, the Second Lieutenant Commander or in the absence of all of them, such member as the Council shall elect, shall preside.

ARTICLE IV Jurisdiction and Powers

1. The Council has in its State, legislative and judicial power, not reserved to the Supreme Council and not inconsistent with its Constitution and Regulations and subject to the rights of appeal therein provided.
2. The Council may open on the Fourteenth, Sixteenth, Eighteenth, or Thirty-second Degree for the transaction of business relating to the bodies or brethren of those degrees respectively.

ARTICLE V Revenue

1. The Illustrious Commander-in-Chief and the Finance Committee shall recommend to this Council a sum to be levied as an assessment on each of the Valleys of the Rite within this State, pro-rated on a uniform per capita basis in such an amount and at such times as may be necessary to defray the expenses and for the proper support of this Council; no such levy shall be made, however, until such time as the Council in annual or special meeting shall have approved the recommendation and voted the amount of such assessment. Any assessment so approved by this Council shall be paid by the respective bodies within ten days following receipt of written notice thereof.
2. No subordinate body shall be entitled to representation or a vote in this Council unless and until it shall have complied with the provisions of this Article.
3. The minimum annual dues in each Valley in the State of Illinois shall not be less, in the aggregate, than thirty dollars (\$30) per year for membership in all four (4) co-ordinate bodies of the Rite in that Valley.
 - a. Any Valley may exempt from such dues or any part thereof, (1) any class or classes of out-of-state residents whose permanent residence is at least 500-miles from the Valley headquarters, or (2) any member meeting the qualifications and requirements as set forth in Article 315 of the 1971 Constitution of the Supreme Council, or (3) any member who has paid dues to such Valley for thirty-five consecutive years and reached sixty-five years of age or older.

- b. Unless the By-Laws of any Valley are hereafter amended to provide otherwise, the annual dues of each Valley shall be pro-rated among the four (4) co-ordinate bodies of such Valley in equal shares, share and share alike.
- c. If the annual dues in any Valley equal or exceed twenty dollars (\$20), the annual dues shall include any and all Special Supreme Council Assessments including those assessed against Life Members and others properly exempted from the payment of annual dues, unless that Valley determines, by the majority vote of members of its Lodge of Perfection present at any stated meeting or present at any special meeting called for that purpose, that the annual dues of that Valley shall not include such Supreme Council Assessments.
- d. If the annual dues in any Valley are less than twenty dollars (\$20), the annual dues shall not include any special Supreme Council Assessments unless that Valley determines, by the majority of vote of members of its Lodge of Perfection present at any stated meeting or present at any special meeting called for that purpose, that the annual dues of that Valley shall include such Supreme Council Assessments.

4. The *minimum* fees for conferring the degree of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite in Illinois shall be:

In a Lodge of Perfection.....	\$25.00
In a Council of Princes of Jerusalem	25.00
In a Chapter of Rose Croix.....	25.00
In a Consistory	25.00

Be it further resolved that this Resolution shall become effective June 6, 1992.

- 5. No concessions of any kind shall be made by any body of the Rite in favor of any candidate.
- 6. All monies belonging to this Council shall be deposited promptly on the receipt thereof in one or more financial institutions in the State of Illinois, deposits in which are insured by an agency of the United States government, to be designated by the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief; and such monies shall be subject to withdrawal only on checks signed by any two (2) of the following, namely:-the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, the Illustrious First Lieutenant Commander, the Treasurer, the Secretary of this Council, and the Chairman of the Committee on Finance.
- 7. All monies belonging to the Hospitaler Fund shall be deposited in an account in the name of this Council in one or more financial institutions in the State of Illinois, deposits in which are insured by an agency of the United States government, to be designated by the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief; and shall be subject to withdrawal only on checks signed by the Hospitaler; provided, however, that in the event of his illness, absence, unavailability, or for any other reason, the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief or Treasurer shall have power to sign checks on such account.
- 8. All securities representing investments of this Council shall be deposited in a safety deposit box in any bank in the State of Illinois, in the name of this Council, and shall be under the control of the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, the Treasurer, Secretary, and the Chairman of the Committee on Finance. Access to such safety

deposit box may be had by any one of the four (4) foregoing officers of this Council, with the further provision that for convenience the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief may designate any other member of this Council to have access to such safety deposit box in the name of any one of the foregoing officers.

9. Every officer and employee of this Council shall commence on the first day of May of each year, and shall end on the 30th day of April in the next succeeding year.
10. The fiscal year of the Council shall commence on the first day of May each year, and shall end on the 30th day of April in the next succeeding year.
11. Each Valley and its fiscal agent, if any, shall prepare, adopt and operate under a budget governing its annual receipts and disbursements. As required by Art.320 of the Constitutions of 1971, as amended, it shall cause an annual audit to be made. In addition to all other matters, such audit shall compare the actual receipts and disbursements with the budgeted receipts and disbursements. As required by said Art. 320, a copy of such annual audit report shall be submitted to the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief of this Council.

ARTICLE VI

Jurisdiction—Degrees and Members

1. All bodies of the Rite in the State of Illinois shall have concurrent jurisdiction over all territory within the State.
2. The several Valleys of the Rite in the State of Illinois have jurisdiction over all their members, unaffiliated Masons of the Rite within their territorial jurisdiction, and sojourners, for offenses committed within the jurisdiction of such Valleys.

ARTICLE VII

1. When waiver of jurisdiction is requested from any Valley in another State correspondence relating to the same shall be transmitted through the Deputy of this State.

ARTICLE VIII

Discipline

1. In all cases against members of the Rite, the procedure shall be according to the Constitution and Code of Trials of the Supreme Council.
2. When a member of a Subordinate Body shall owe two years' dues, such Body shall take appropriate action within the year next ensuing. Such action shall be remission of dues or suspension for nonpayment thereof. It shall be within the power of the Council of Deliberation or the Subordinate Body itself to shorten this term.

ARTICLE IX

Committees

At such time as he shall deem necessary, or desirable, the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief shall appoint the following Standing Committees, to consist of such number of

members as he shall deem necessary, or desirable, and each to continue in office until a new committee, or an individual member thereof, shall be appointed:

- (1) Executive Committee;
 - (2) Committee on Credentials;
 - (3) Committee on Finance;
 - (4) Committee on Audit;
 - (5) Committee on State of the Rite;
 - (6) Committee on Deceased Members;
 - (7) Committee on Jurisprudence, Rules & Regulations;
 - (8) Committee on Appeals and Grievances;
 - (9) Committee on Reception and Introduction of Distinguished Visitors;
 - (10) Committee on Nomination of Officers;
 - (11) Committee on Meritorious Service Award;
 - (12) Committee on Public Relations;
 - (13) Committee on Citation for Distinguished Service;
 - (14) Committee on Membership;
1. Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall consist of the Active Members of the Supreme Council, resident in Illinois, and the Deputies Representatives.
 2. Committee on Credentials. It shall be the duty of such Committee to pass on the qualifications of every person presenting himself for attendance at each annual or special meeting of this Council and to report thereon at such meeting.
 3. Committee on Finance. It shall be the duty of such Committee to supervise the finances of, and all monies, securities and properties belonging to this Council. It shall also recommend all assessments to be levied on the respective Valleys for the support of this Council.
 4. Committee on Audit. The Committee on Audit shall consist of three members of this Council. It shall be the duty of this Committee to audit the reports of the Secretary and Treasurer, and to audit the expense accounts of all officers of this Council.
 5. Committee on State of the Rite. It shall be the duty of this Committee to study the statistical reports and programs of the several Valleys in this District, and to make such recommendations to this Council concerning the affairs and welfare of the Rite as the Committee may determine.
 6. Committee on Deceased Members. It shall be the duty of this Committee to report at each annual meeting of this Council the names, addresses, degrees, titles held, and dates of death and other pertinent biographical information of all members of the Supreme Council in this State who have died during the preceding fiscal year, together with similar data on such other outstanding Masonic leaders as it may deem proper.
 7. Committee on Jurisprudence, Rules and Regulations. It shall be the duty of the Committee to study the Rules and Regulations of this Council; to recommend such amendments thereto as the Committee may, from time to time, deem necessary and advisable; to report to this Council in respect to any such amendment proposed by any other member of this Council; to consider all matters pertaining to the laws and jurisprudence of the Council referred to it by the Council and the Illustrious

- Commander-in-Chief (Deputy); and to make recommendations in respect thereto; and to report at each Annual Meeting of the Council. Its chairman and at least two (2) of its other members shall be learned and experienced in the law.
8. Committee on Appeals and Grievances. It shall be the duty of this Committee to consider all appeals from any ruling of the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, which may be made by any members of this Council or any member of the Rite in this State; to consider all grievances which may come to the Committee's attention; and to report thereon with its recommendations to this Council at its annual meeting or at any special meeting called for such purpose.
 9. Committee on Reception and Introduction of Distinguished Visitors. It shall be the duty of this Committee to attend to the convenience and comfort of all special guests attending the annual meeting of this Council, and to introduce them into the Council at the instance and upon the invitation of the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief.
 10. Committee on Nomination of Officers. The Committee on Nomination of Officers shall consist of five members of this Council. It shall be the duty of such Committee to nominate candidates for election to the offices of this Council at each annual meeting.
 11. Committee on Meritorious Service Award. The committee on Meritorious Service Award shall consist of seven members of this Council. It shall be the duty of this Committee to secure recommendations from the various Valleys in this State on or before April 1 each year and at the annual meeting each year the Committee shall recommend the nominees to receive the Meritorious Service Award.
 12. Committee on Public Relations. It shall be the duty of this Committee to study the public relations program of the Scottish Rite of this State; to make such suggestions to the individual Valleys that may be of assistance and to co-ordinate and promote proper publicity and public relations for the Rite in Illinois, and to increase and promote a high standard of excellence in the membership publications of each Valley by reviewing such publications regularly and making appropriate recommendations to each Valley from time to time as suggested improvement.
 13. Committee on Citation for Distinguished Service.
 - (a) Annually, this Council shall cite and present the Distinguished Service Citation to a worthy and well known Scottish Rite Mason who has distinguished himself in the field of religion, government, public welfare and service, business enterprise or professional endeavor. The Scottish Rite Mason to be so honored shall be nominated by a Committee consisting of those members of the Council who have received the citation in the preceding five (5) years, together with such additional members appointed by the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief so that the Committee consists of at least nine (9) members of this Council and each of the nine (9) Valleys is represented on the Committee. The Illustrious Commander-in-Chief shall appoint the Chairman, and nomination shall be subject to the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief's approval.
 - (b) In consultation with the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, the Committee Chairman shall select the form of the tangible award, be it a medal, medallion, plaque or framed certificate or scroll and the language to appear thereon. After they reach agreement, it shall be the responsibility of the Council Secretary to

purchase and acquire the same at the Council's expense and to have it available at the upcoming Council meeting.

- (c) The annual award shall be presented to the nominee at and during the annual meeting of the Council at a point in the program to be designated by the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief. The Committee Chairman shall present the nominee to the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief making appropriate remarks as to the nominee's qualifications. Thereupon, the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief shall present the tangible award for, in the name of, and on behalf of this Council.
 - (d) In consultation with the Committee Chairman and the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Secretary of the nominee's Valley shall prepare and send to the Illinois Valleys a press release announcing the citation and award, the name and qualifications of the recipient and enclosing, if possible, a picture of the recipient.
14. Committee on Membership. The Committee on Membership shall consist of nine members of this Council. It shall be the duty of this Committee to assist the several Valleys in the development and implementation of programs to increase their number of new members and to retain their old members.

The committee shall meet at least as often as semi-annually, one of said semi-annual meetings being held during the Annual Meeting of this Council.

The nine members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief so as to include one member from each Valley, each to serve for a period of three years. The original appointments shall be made in staggered terms of three members for one year, three members for two years, and three members for three years, so that hereafter the terms of three members shall expire each year.

ARTICLE X **Meritorious Service Award**

1. The Meritorious Service Award shall be given by this Council of Deliberation in Accordance with the provision of the Supreme Council as set forth in Chapter IX, Article 902 of the constitution thereof, and as here after amended. The number of nominees from each Valley in this State shall be based upon the official membership figures of the Lodge of Perfection used in the last Annual Report of the Supreme Council and upon which the per capita for the Lodge was computed. On or before February 1st of each year, the Illustrious Deputy shall set the number that may be nominated that year and shall notify each Valley.
2. All nominations for the Meritorious Service Award shall be made, on a form to be approved by the Commander-in-Chief of the Illinois Council of Deliberation, to the Chairman of the Committee on Meritorious Service Award, on or before April 1st of each year. The Committee on Meritorious Service Award shall thereupon report to the annual meeting of the Illinois Council of Deliberation the names of such candidates with the recommendation of the Committee concerning their election. The Committee on Meritorious Service Award may waive irregularities in the form of nomination with the consent of the Commander-in-Chief of the Council of Deliberation.

3. Nominations will be made by the unanimous agreement of the Presiding Officers of each Valley. They may nominate less than the number allowable.
4. The official jewel of the Meritorious Service Award of the Illinois Council of Deliberation shall be described as follows: The jewel is to consist of two bars and a pendant made of 1/20-12K yellow gold. The top bar is to have a ribbon and a pin bar that will read "Illinois Council of Deliberation" in gold letters on a red background. The second bar is to read "Meritorious Service Award" in gold letters on a red enamel background. The pendant is to be the official Scottish Rite double eagle within a wreath. The eagle and the wreath are to be gold with a black enamel triangle on the breast of the eagle with gold numerals "32". The base of the triangle is to be down. From the top ribbon bar there will be a double folded grosgrain red ribbon to serve as a background for the entire jewel. The name and date of the recipient is to be engraved on the reverse of the lower bar.
5. The official jewel as above designated and the official cap as provided for in paragraph 3 Article 1219 of the Constitution of the Supreme Council, shall be provided by the home Valley of the recipient and given to all candidates at the time of the conferral of the Award.

ARTICLE XI

Petitions for Degrees and Membership

1. Every petitioner for the degrees or for membership must be a Master Mason in good standing, and affiliated in a regular lodge of Symbolic Masons and must have an established place of residence for a period of at least six months next preceding his petitioning for the degrees of the Rite and must have resided in the State six months.
2. Any petitioner for the degrees failing to present himself within a period of two years following his election shall forfeit his right to receive the degrees and must present a new and original petition. No body of the Rite shall hold jurisdiction over a candidate residing in concurrent territory beyond the period of two years following his election.
3. Each petition for degrees in a Lodge of Perfection shall be accompanied by the full fee therefore as established in compliance with the provisions contained in these Rules and Regulations.
4. Publishing the name or names of petitioners for degrees in Valley publications or notices, shall not be required in this jurisdiction, unless otherwise ordered by the Deputy of the Supreme Council for Illinois.
5. Dual or plural membership in a Subordinate Body shall be permitted in the jurisdiction of this Council of Deliberation, subject to and in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Constitutions and Regulations of the Supreme Council.

A member of the Scottish Rite to whom a dual or plural membership is granted by any Subordinate Body, shall be subject to and comply with the provisions of the Constitutions and Regulations of the Supreme Council; the Rules and Regulations of the Illinois Council of Deliberation; and shall be amenable to the Rules and Regulations of the Subordinate Body in which he holds a dual or plural membership.

ARTICLE XII

Amendments

These Rules and Regulations may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual meeting of this Council; or by vote of two-thirds of the members present at any special meeting of this Council.

1. Except as hereinafter provided, no amendment to these Rules and Regulations shall be considered by the Council at its annual meeting unless the proposed amendment shall have been first submitted in writing to the Secretary of the Illinois Council of Deliberation not less than sixty days prior to the opening day of the annual meeting of the Council at which it is to be considered.
2. The Secretary of the Council upon receipt of such proposed amendment or amendments shall thereupon and not less than 45 days prior to the opening day of the annual meeting of the Council cause a copy of said proposed amendment or amendments to be mailed to the Chairman of the Committee on Rules and Regulations of the Illinois Council of Deliberation and to the Secretary of each Valley within the Jurisdiction of Illinois.
3. Each such proposed amendment shall be considered by the Rules and Regulations Committee, which Committee shall report thereon at the annual meeting of the Council with or without recommendation.
4. A proposed amendment may be modified by the Council at its annual meeting, but such modification shall be germane to the subject matter of the proposed amendment and may not go beyond the scope of the proposal submitted.
5. The foregoing procedure for the proposal of amendments to these Rules and Regulations shall not preclude the consideration of an amendment thereto at an annual meeting of the Council without prior notice, provided the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief shall have first approved such consideration.
6. No proposed amendment to these Rules and Regulations may be considered at a special meeting of the Council unless written notice setting forth the language of the proposed amendment in full shall have been given in writing to the Secretary of each of the Valleys within the Jurisdiction of Illinois and to the Chairman of the Rules and Regulations Committee not less than ten days prior to the special meeting. Any notice posted in the United State Mail not less than ten days prior to the special meeting shall be deemed sufficient notice for such purpose.

ARTICLE XIII

Honorary Members

This Council of Deliberation may, at any Annual Meeting thereof, elect distinguished Scottish Rite Masons of this and other States and Jurisdictions to Honorary Membership herein.

ARTICLE XIV
Subordinate Bodies

1. No person shall be eligible for election to any office in any Body in any Valley if he then holds elected office in another Body in that Valley, however,
 - a. A person who is Treasurer of any Body may be elected as the Treasurer of any other Body or Bodies in that Valley; and
 - b. A person who is the Secretary of any Body may be elected as the Secretary of any other Body or Bodies in that Valley.
2. The Presiding Officer of any Body may postpone any stated meeting (except the annual meeting) for not more than 21 calendar days so as to avoid a conflict with a meeting of the Grand Lodge, this Council or the Supreme Council or a legal holiday by first obtaining the advance written dispensation of the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief (Deputy) and by giving written notice of such postponement to all members at least 10 calendar days in advance of the original date.

Supplement No. 11

RESTATED BY-LAWS
OF THE
ILLINOIS SCOTTISH RITE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

ARTICLE I Purposes

- 1.1 The purposes of the Corporation as stated in its Certificate of Incorporation are:

To receive gifts, bequests and devises of money or property to be used exclusively for charitable purposes: to receive, hold, invest, sell and disburse such funds and properties for exclusively charitable purposes; to engage in charitable enterprises of all kinds and natures; to grant scholarships to worthy persons for education in all fields; to provide funds for research, and for the promotion of charitable enterprises; to engage in various charitable, benevolent, educational, civic, patriotic, scientific and religious enterprises for the promotion of charitable, social and religious ends, and to provide monies under conditions where the purpose is completely charitable in nature.
- 1.2 No part of the activities of this Corporation shall be carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a Corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or for the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or (b) by the Corporation contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).
- 1.3 In the event the existence of the Illinois Scottish Rite Scholarship Fund shall be terminated for any reason, any assets remaining after satisfaction of any contractual or other liabilities shall be distributed to some other organization in the State of Illinois area which itself is formed for the same purposes as the Illinois Scottish Rite Scholarship Fund and which is a qualified donor as described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or corresponding provision of subsequent Revenue Acts to be used for exclusively public purposes.

ARTICLE II Offices

- 2.1 The Corporation shall have and continuously maintain in this state a registered office and a registered agent whose office is identical with such registered office, and may have other offices within or without the State of Illinois as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine.

ARTICLE III**Members**

- 3.1 The members of this Corporation shall be co- extensive with the members of the Illinois Council of Deliberation.
- 3.2 The members of the Illinois Council of Deliberation shall have only the right to vote for the election of directors of the Corporation.
- 3.3 The Annual Meeting of the members shall be considered to be the Annual Meeting of the Illinois Council of Deliberation, to be held when and where in accordance with the rules of said Council of Deliberation.

ARTICLE IV**Board of Directors**

- 4.1 GENERAL POWERS. The affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by its Board of Directors.
- 4.2 NUMBER, TENURE AND QUALIFICATIONS. This Corporation shall be governed by a Board of Directors consisting of (i) by virtue of their offices, the Active and at his request an Active Emeritus Members of the Supreme Council, A.A.S.R., N.M.J., U.S.A., resident in the State of Illinois plus (ii) one member of each of the several Scottish Rite Valleys located in the State of Illinois. The Directors representing the Valleys shall be elected by the members of the Illinois Council of Deliberation, A.A.S.R., at the Annual Meeting thereof after nomination by the Committee on Nomination of Officers. The terms of said elected Directors shall be for three (3) years with three to be elected each year, except that in the year 1968 five Directors shall be elected. The five so elected, together with the four present Directors whose terms have not expired in 1968, shall determine their initial term of office from 1968 by lot— three for 1 year, three for 2 years and three for 3 years. No elected Director may serve more than two (2) consecutive three (3) year terms.
- 4.3 PLACE OF MEETINGS. Meetings of the Board of Directors of the Illinois Scottish Rite Scholarship Fund shall be held at the following places:
 - a. The Annual Meeting shall be held at the same place inside or outside the State of Illinois as that year's Illinois Council of Deliberation annual meeting; and
 - b. Any other Meeting shall be held at such place in the State of Illinois or in any other state contiguous to the State of Illinois as is designated in the call of such meeting.

The place of meeting shall be stated in the notice of said meeting.
- 4.4 NOTICE. Notice of any meeting of the Board of Directors shall be given to the members thereof in such manner and form as shall be prescribed by the President. Failure to receive notice shall not invalidate the action of the Board of Directors taken in any special meeting thereof, provided a quorum is present.
- 4.5 QUORUM. A majority of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of any meeting of the Board. If such members are not physically present at such meeting, their consent thereto and their approval of any

action thereat may be evidenced by their signing a waiver of notice of such meeting, and by signing the minutes covering any action taken in any meeting thereof.

- 4.6 **MANNER OF ACTING.** The act of a majority of the Directors present at a meeting, at which a quorum is present, shall be the act of the Board of Directors, except where otherwise provided by law or these by-laws.
- 4.7 **VACANCIES.** Any vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors or any directorship to be filled by reason of an increase in the number of Directors, shall be filled by the Board of Directors. A Director elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired term of his predecessor in office.
- 4.8 **COMPENSATION.** No member of the Board of Directors shall receive any compensation at any time for his services in acting as such Director. No expense of any nature shall be paid to any Director for travel or otherwise, unless expressly authorized at a meeting of the Board of Directors.
- 4.9 **ACTION WITHOUT A MEETING.** Unless specifically prohibited by the Articles of Incorporation or by-laws, any action required to be taken at a meeting of the Board of Directors, or any other action which may be taken at a meeting of the Board of Directors, or of any committee thereof may be taken without a meeting if a consent in writing, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by all the Directors entitled to vote with respect to the subject matter thereof, or by all the members of such committee, as the case may be. Any such consent, signed by all the Directors or all the members of the committee shall have the same effect as a unanimous vote, and may be stated as such in any document filed with the Secretary of State or with anyone else.

ARTICLE V

Officers

- 5.1 **OFFICERS.** The officers of the Corporation shall be President, one or more Vice Presidents (the number thereby to be determined by the Board of Directors), a Treasurer, a Secretary and such other officers as may be elected in accordance with the provisions of this Article. The Board of Directors may elect or appoint such other officers, including one or more Assistant Secretaries and one or more Assistant Treasurers, as it shall deem desirable, such officers to have the authority and perform the duties prescribed, from time to time, by the Board of Directors. Any two or more offices may be held by the same person, except the offices of President and Secretary.
- 5.2 **ELECTION AND TERM OF OFFICE.** The Illustrious Commander-in-Chief of the Illinois Council of Deliberation shall be, by virtue of his office, the President of this Corporation. The other officers of the Corporation shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors at the regular Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors. If the election of officers shall not be held at such meeting, such election shall be held as soon thereafter as conveniently may be. Vacancies may be filled or new offices created and filled at any meeting of the Board of Directors. Each officer shall hold office until his successor shall have been duly elected and shall have qualified.
- 5.3 **REMOVAL.** Any officer, except the President or any agent elected or appointed by the Board of Directors, may be removed by the Board of Directors whenever in its

judgement the best interests of the Corporation would be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the person so removed.

- 5.4 VACANCIES. A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification or otherwise, may be filled by the Board of Directors for the unexpired portion of the term.
- 5.5 PRESIDENT. The President shall be the principal executive officer of the Corporation and shall in general supervise and control all of the business and affairs of the Corporation. He may sign, with the Secretary or any other proper officer of the Corporation authorized by the Board of Directors, any deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or any other instruments which the Board of Directors have authorized to be executed, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors or by these by-laws or by statute to some other officer or agent of the Corporation; and in general shall perform all duties incident to the office of President and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time.
- 5.6 VICE-PRESIDENT. In the absence of the President or in the event of his inability or refusal to act, the Vice-President (or in the event there be more than one Vice-President, the Vice-Presidents, in order designated, or in the absence of any designation, then in the order of their election) shall perform the duties of the President, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the President. Any Vice-President shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the President or by the Board of Directors.
- 5.7 TREASURER. If required by the Board of Directors, the Treasurer shall give a bond for the faithful discharge of his duties in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the Board of Directors shall determine. He shall have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the Corporation, receive and give receipts for monies due and payable to the Corporation from any source whatsoever, and deposit all such monies in the name of the Corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as shall be selected in accordance with provisions of Article VIII of these by-laws; and in general perform all duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the President or by the Board of Directors. The Treasurer shall invest and reinvest the funds, assets and property of this Corporation upon the advice and consent of the Investment Committee.
- 5.8 SECRETARY. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the meetings of the members of the Board of Directors in one or more books provided for that purpose; see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these by-laws or as required by law; be custodian of the corporate records and of the Seal of the Corporation and see that the Seal of the Corporation is affixed to all documents, the execution of which on behalf of the Corporation under its seal is duly authorized in accordance with the provisions of these by-laws; keep a register of the post office address of each member which shall be furnished to the Secretary by such member; and in general perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the President or by the Board of Directors.

- 5.9 ASSISTANT TREASURERS AND ASSISTANT SECRETARIES. If required by the Board of Directors, the Assistant Treasurers shall give bonds for the faithful discharge of their duties in such sums and with such sureties as the Board of Directors shall determine. The Assistant Treasurers and Assistant Secretaries, in general shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to them by the Treasurer or the Secretary or by the President or the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VI

Committees

- 6.1 COMMITTEES OF DIRECTORS. The Board of Directors, by resolution adopted by a majority of the directors in office, may designate one or more committees, each of which shall consist of two or more directors, which committees, to the extent provided in said resolution, shall have and exercise the authority of the Board of Directors in the management of the Corporation; but the designation of such committees and the delegation thereto of authority shall not operate to relieve the Board of Directors, or any individual director, of any responsibility imposed upon him by law.
- 6.2 OTHER COMMITTEES. Other committees not having and exercising the authority of the Board of Directors in the management of the Corporation may be designated by a resolution adopted by a majority of the directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present. Except as otherwise provided in such resolution, members of each such committee shall be members of the Corporation, and the President of the Corporation shall appoint the members thereof. Any member thereof may be removed by the person or persons authorized to appoint such member whenever in their judgement the best interests of the Corporation shall be served by such removal.
- 6.3 TERM OF OFFICE. Each member of a committee shall continue as such until the next Annual Meeting of the members of the Corporation and until his successor is appointed, unless the committee shall be sooner terminated, or unless such member be removed from such committee, or unless such member shall cease to qualify as a member thereof.
- 6.4 CHAIRMAN. One member of each committee shall be appointed chairman.
- 6.5 VACANCIES. Vacancies in the membership of any committee may be filled by appointments made in the same manner as provided in the case of the original appointments.
- 6.6 QUORUM. Unless otherwise provided in the resolution of the Board of Directors designating a committee, a majority of the whole committee shall constitute a quorum and the act of a majority of the members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the committee.

ARTICLE VII

Contracts, Checks, Deposits and Funds

- 7.1 CONTRACTS. The Board of Directors may authorize any officer or officers, agent or agents of the Corporation, in addition to the officers so authorized by these by-

laws, to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation and such authority may be general or confined to specific interests.

- 7.2 CHECKS, DRAFTS ETC. All checks, drafts or other orders for the payment of money, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the Corporation, shall be signed by such officer or officers, agent or agents of the Corporation and in such manner as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the Board of Directors. In the absence of such determination by the Board of Directors, such instruments shall be signed by the Treasurer or an assistant Treasurer and countersigned by the President or a Vice-President of the Corporation.
- 7.3 DEPOSITS. All funds of the Corporation shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as the Board of Directors may select.
- 7.4 GIFTS. The Board of Directors may accept on behalf of the Corporation any contribution, gift, bequest or devise for the general purposes or for any special purpose of the Corporation.

ARTICLE VIII **Books and Records**

- 8.1 The Corporation shall keep correct and complete books and records of account and shall also keep minutes of the proceedings of its members, Board of Directors and committees having any of the authority of the Board of Directors, and shall keep at the registered or principal office a record giving the names and address of the members entitled to vote. All books and records of the Corporation may be inspected by any member, or his agent or attorney for any proper purpose at any reasonable time.

ARTICLE IX **Fiscal Year**

- 9.1 The fiscal year of the Corporation shall begin on the first day of April and end on the last day of March in each year.

ARTICLE IX **Seal**

- 10.1 The Board of Directors shall provide a Corporate Seal which shall be in the form of a circle and shall have inscribed thereon the name of the Corporation and the words, "Corporate Seal, Illinois."

ARTICLE XI **Waiver of Notice**

- 11.1 Whenever any notice whatever is required to be given under the provisions of the General Not-For-Profit Corporation Act of Illinois or under the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation or by the by-laws of the Corporation, a waiver thereof in writing signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice.

ARTICLE XII
Amendments to By-Laws

- 12.1 These by-laws may be altered, amended or repealed and new by-laws may be adopted by a majority of the directors present at any regular meeting or at any special meeting, provided that at least two (2) days written notice is given of intention to alter, amend or repeal or to adopt new by-laws at such meeting and provided further, that such notice shall not be required if waived in writing by all directors entitled to vote at such meeting, whether or not they be present at such meeting.

ARTICLE XIII
Indemnifications

- 13.1 To the extent permitted by Section 24a of the Illinois 'General Not for Profit Corporation Act', as amended by Public Act 81-413 effective January 1, 1980, (Illinois Revised Statutes 1981, ch.32, *163a 23.1), this Corporation shall indemnify each officer, director and employee of this Corporation as his heirs, legatees, devisee and personal representatives and hold them, and each of them, harmless in any action or proceeding filed or prosecuted against him by reason of his actions or failures to act as an officer, director or employee.

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