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NORTHERN MASONIC JURISDICTION
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF ILLINOIS

at its

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-NINTH
ANNUAL MEETING

Held at the Holiday Inn City Centre
Peoria, Illinois

Saturday, June 28, 2008

LEE B. LOCKWOOD, 33°
Ill. ⚔. 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.:*

May 15, 2008

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-Ninth Convocation of the Illinois Council of Deliberation will be held in the City of Peoria, Illinois, Saturday, June 28, 2008, at 1:00 P.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 Bodies 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

SATURDAY, JUNE 28, 2008

- 8:30 A.M. Board of Directors of the Illinois Scholarship Fund
- 9:30 A.M. Valley Scholarship Chairmen Scholarship Award Meeting
- 11:30 A.M. Mens' and Ladies' Lunch
- 1:00 P.M. General Business Session
- Formal Opening
 - Reception of the Grand Master
 - Welcome by the Commander-in-Chief, Valley of Peoria
 - Announcement of the 2009 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
 - Acceptance of the Proceedings of the 2007 Annual Meeting
 - Committee Reports
 - Installation of Officers
- 1:30 P.M. 33° Candidates' Ladies Information Session
- 2:30 P.M. Joint Hospitality Room Opens
- 5:00 P.M. Social Hour for Banquet (Cash Bar)
- 6:00 P.M. Dinner
- Introduction of MSA Designees and Ladies
 - Presentation of Distinguished Service Award
 - Conferral of the MSA on 2008 Recipients
 - Guest Speaker: Emil Jones, Jr., 33° Prince Hall Affiliation
 - Announcement of the 2009 Nominees
 - Photo Session for 2008 Recipients
- 9:00 P.M. Joint Hospitality Room Open



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Northern Masonic Jurisdiction



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



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Active for Illinois



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Illinois Council of Deliberation

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Ill. . Phillip C. Kenney, MSA, 33°	Peoria	Active Emeritus
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Ill. . Kurt R. Grosse, 33°	Southern Illinois	Deputy's Representative
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ILLINOIS COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-NINTH SESSION

Saturday, June 28, 2008

1:00 p.m.

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

Good morning Brethren. Welcome to the One Hundred Thirty-Ninth Convocation of the Illinois Council of Deliberation held this twenty eighth day of June 2008 in the City of Peoria, 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.



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

*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, 32°, MSA, Prior:

Please rise. Heavenly Father, we invoke your blessing upon us at this time. Be with us at this Council of Deliberation Session. Bless us, bless what we do. Amen.

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

Please be seated. On the podium this morning are some of the men of the Scottish Rite of Illinois that I most depend on. They receive calls from me at all hours of the night. I am very honored to among their midst. Ill.:. James L. Tungate, 33°; Ill.:. John T. Phillips, 33°; Ill.:. Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°; over on this side, Ill.:. Phillip C. Kenney, MSA, 33°; Ill.:. Lawrence D. Inglis, 33°.

This is a very distinguished group we deal with. It is an honor to be serving with them. Missing today is Norman R. Buecker, MSA, 33° who you all know. This is the first time he has been missing from our session for, I don't since when. He has some illness along with his wife so it was decided that he will not make it today. Also missing is Ill. Robert W. LaSurs, 33° is not with us at this time. He will be facing some surgery in the near future. Let's keep both of these brothers in our prayers.

We are fortunate to have our Grand Master with us this morning. Illustrious brothers Tungate and Phillips, you will retire and attend to the introduction of our Grand Master.

(three gavels sounded)

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

Brethren, I have the honor of introducing Ill.: Daniel C. Yandel, 33°, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois. Join me in according him the Grand Honors of three time three, taking your cadence from the East.

Grand Honors were given

INTRODUCTIONS OF THE YORK RITE BODIES

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

We have several others to be introduced: Brother Bruce W. Rhinehart, Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Illinois. Brother Rhinehart, please introduce your officers which are present.

Brother Bruce W. Rhinehart, MEGHP, Grand Royal Arch Chapter:

I have with me today, Richard E. Yena, Right Excellent Deputy Grand High Priest; Ronald K. Blue, Right Excellent Grand Scribe; James W. Patton, Past Grand High Priest; John "Jack" B. Hall, he is presently Right Excellent Grand Treasurer and a Past Grand High Priest. That is my delegation today.

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

Is Brother Chester Owings present? Is there someone else present from the Grand Council line? Brother Wys, please introduce those present with you today.

Brother Earl F. Wys, Right Illustrious Principal Conductor of the Work for the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Illinois:

We have Mark H. Welch, Illustrious Grand Steward and I am the Right Illustrious Principal Conductor of the Work.

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

We have Sir Knight H. Wayne Hoffman, Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Illinois. Please introduce your other officers.

Sir Knight, H. Wayne Hoffman, Grand Commander:

Will the other Officers and Grand Past Commanders please stand. We have D. Marc Wilson, Eminent Grand Senior Warden; Robert K. Cronk, Eminent Grand Recorder and Past Grand Commander; Randy M. Zaerr, Eminent Grand Standard Bearer; Robert L. Cook, Eminent Grand Warden; J. Robert Stockner, Past Grand Commander; Robert E. Martin, Jr., Past Grand Commander; Stanley P. Boyd, Past Grand Commander; Pressly A. Laird, Past Grand Commander.

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

I have asked Wayne to respond on behalf of the York Rite.



*H. Wayne Hoffman,
32°, MSA
Grand Commander
Knights Templar*

Sir Knight, H. Wayne Hoffman, Grand Commander:

Most Worshipful Grand Master and distinguished East, I would like to thank you for your invitation to the York Rite attend this one hundred thirty ninth session of this Council of Deliberation. We are all Masons. We are all one, and will work together for the future of our fraternity.

WELCOME BY THE HOST VALLEY PEORIA

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

The host Valley for this year is Peoria. Please welcome the Commander-in-Chief of the Valley of Peoria, Brother Robert H. Orrill, MSA, 32°.

*Brother Robert H. Orrill, MSA, 32°, Commander-in-Chief,
Valley of Peoria:*

Good afternoon brethren. On behalf the Valley of Peoria and its officers, and all members, we would like to welcome you this Illinois Council of Deliberation. We are honored and privileged to be your host valley. We would like to do all we can to make this Council and fruitful and fun as possible. Would all the officers and volunteers please stand. Brethren, if you have any complaints, see them, not me. If you do have any problems, please see one of us and we do our best to take care of it. Again, we thank you all for visiting our Valley.

NECROLOGY

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

Each year, the Grand Architect of the Universe sees fits to call home a number of our brethren. I would like to have brother P. Alvin Laird, 32°, MSA, come to the podium and present the Necrology report.

Brother P. Alvin Laird, 32°, MSA, Prior:

Most Worshipful Grand Master, 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.

You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they find rest in you. Direct us in all our doings with your most gracious favor, and further us with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and finally by your mercy obtain everlasting life. Amen. Please be seated.

Faith, Hope and Love



*P. Alvin Laird, 32°, MSA
Prior*

Our task today is to remember and honor our departed brethren. We are concentrating on the concept of faith, hope and charity. The King James Version of the Bible translates I Corinthians, Chapter 13 using the word “charity” which means “love.” To emphasize the meaning “love,” I will use the New International Version which translates the key word as “love.” Those of you who know Masonic ritual will notice some differences in the N.I.V. translation.

“If I speak in the tongues of men and angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge and If have a faith that can move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and surrender my body to the flames, but have not love, I gain nothing. Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails.

But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when perfection comes, the imperfect disappears. When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put childish ways behind me. NOW—we see but a poor reflection—as in a mirror; THEN—we shall see face to face. NOW—I know in part; THEN—I shall know as I am known.

And now these three remain; faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

Faith, Hope and Charity/Love.

Faith is defined as the “the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.” Or “faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. This is what the ancients were commended for.” “Without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to Him must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who earnestly seek Him.

Abraham stepped out in faith, obeyed God and traveled where God directed him. Because he did this he became known as “the father of all who believe.” God made at least seven promises to Abraham. Because Abraham acted in faith, history tells us that all seven promises were kept by God. The Old Testament is filled with examples of God keeping His promises. One of God’s promises to Abraham was “all peoples on earth will be blest through you.” Jesus of Nazareth is a descendant of Abraham and is one through whom all peoples on earth will be blessed, if they accept him.

Abraham’s faith and the faith of others is proof of God’s existence and that He keeps His promises. God is faithful. Without faith, we have no hope.

Let us distinguish between the words “wish” and “hope.” When we make a wish, we are expressing an idle dream that something might happen with no expectation that it will actually happen. For example: I wish I might win the million dollar lottery. You know I am not going to win the the lottery because, first, I would have to buy a ticket and even If I do buy a ticket, everybody in the whole world would have to win before I would. It might be fun to fantasize about spending the lottery winnings, but it isn’t going to happen.

Job 15:7 says: “for there is hope of a tree if it be cut down, that it will sprout again and the tender branch thereof will not cease.” We know that cutting down a tree does not necessarily mean the death of the tree. Have any of you tried to get rid of an osage orange tree by cutting it down and leaving a stump? What happened? It grew back stronger than before. Coppice cutting is practiced in some countries. This is the cutting down trees for various purposes with the expectation that the stump will sprout new growth which can be cut later after the new growth has reached the desired size.

When as Scottish Rite Masons we say “Our hope is in God,” we are not saying we that we wish for something. We are saying that we expect something to happen with the certain knowledge that it will happen because we know that God keeps his promises. He kept His promises in the ancient times and He keeps His promises today.

We have considered faith and hope. Now we consider charity or love. Jesus said, “A new command I give you: Love one another.”

How do we display our faith? By loving one another. Also by loving those who are not lovable. Those who are disagreeable and downright impossible to get along with. That love is demonstrated by our actions. Love is not only an emotion or feeling, it is action. Brothers in the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite demonstrate their love for others in their community service, church worship and the assistance for those who need assistance.

How much are we expected to love one another? This love extends to the ultimate sacrifice. “Greater love hath no man that this—that a man lay down his life for his friends.”

There are many examples of those who have been wiling to die for others and those who have actually died for others. The Four Chaplains who gave their life jackets to sailors who had none and went down with the ship in World War II and exemplified in our Scottish Rite Degree work. Those fire fighters, who went into the towers in New York that were hit by the airplanes that were guided by

terrorists, went in knowing that they would not get out. I expect that they thought that going in would help save the lives of others. People they could not have known.

Remember the battle cry of Constans, who left his vigil to defend the people of the city from the attackers. "My hope is in God!" Our hope is in God. Because our hope is in God, we love Him and we love our fellow man. Because we love others, we help them.

Our departed brethren loved others and demonstrated that love through their support of their local community, churches, service organizations, agencies and Masonic bodies. As Scottish Rite Masons they also demonstrated that love through their support of the Scottish Rite Charities. Due to their foresight and sacrifices we are now issuing hundreds of scholarships each year, particularly in the health care fields where there is a severe shortage of workers especially in the nursing field.

Our departed brethren have heard the welcome words, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant." They have relied upon His infinite love, waited in patient hope for death to be swallowed up in victory and have been welcomed home to that house not made with hands eternal in the heavens, where no discordant voice shall arise and all the soul shall experience shall be perfect bliss and all it shall express shall be perfect praise and love divine ennoble every heart and hosannas exalted employ every tongue.

Brethren, please rise and reverently listen to the names of our departed brethren are read.

Valley Name	Date of Death	Member Name
Bloomington	July 4, 2007	D. Hodge Fuller, 33°
	June 20, 2007	Arthur F. Willan, MSA
Chicago	January 23, 2008	Martin J. Argall, MSA, 33°
	April 8, 2008	Albert B. Daily, Jr. MSA
	July 15, 2007	Ridell A. Kelsey, Jr., MSA, 33°
	September 28, 2006	Robert W. Kenaga, MSA
	March 6, 2008	Harry D. Strouse, 33°
Danville	January 2, 2008	Charles M. Beason, 33°
	April 14, 2008	John C. Bracewell, MSA
	June 25, 2007	James L. Norman, 33°
	January 29, 2008	Harold D. Oakley, MSA
	November 6, 2007	Homer T. Smith, Sr., MSA
	March 25, 2008	Robert C. Smith, 33°

Valley Name	Date of Death	Member Name
Freeport	January 24, 2008	Calvin J. Broughton, MSA
	May 13, 2007	Nick J. Feller, MSA
	March 21, 2008	William E. Hermsmeier, MSA
Moline	May 1, 2007	Roland Louis Kroeger, MSA
Peoria	January 7, 2008	Jerry R. Collins, MSA
Quincy	October 9, 2007	Robert J. Noll, MSA
Southern Illinois	January 14, 2008	Alvin H. Hensley, MSA
Springfield	November 16, 2007	E. Dale Crowcroft, 33°
	December 5, 2007	Walter E. Davison, MSA, 33°
	April 1, 2008	Thomas W. Vredenburg, MSA

Let us pray. O Lord: We lift up our departed brothers which you have made for yourself and now find rest in you. Be with us today. Make us instruments of your peace; where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy. We know that it is in giving that we are receive and it is in dying that we are born into eternal life. As our departed brothers gave—they received and in dying they have been born into eternal life. We give thanks and praises to you for the lives of our departed brothers.

And now, may the God of hope fill you with all the joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Please Be seated.

I wish to thank Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33° for the honor of serving the Illinois Council of Deliberation.

PLACE OF MEETING

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

As I look in the book, the next item of business is the announcement of the next Place of Meeting and we have a little problem. We did not have a problem until earlier today. We were destined for Rockford and now appears we may not be. So I will not be announcing a place of meeting at this time.

Let me ask a couple of questions. One of the things we have been doing the last couple of years is bouncing around the state to the different valleys which

are the hosts. We hope to go to their location or a location near them. That works to a point.

When we start looking at those Valleys in the far northern part of the state and far southern part of the state it makes a far distance to drive.

Do we prefer stay with traveling to the various valleys or, would you like us to go to some more centralized location, perhaps Bloomington, Peoria, or Springfield something in the center of the State? So, number 1, in favor of traveling around the state, or number 2, finding a centralized location.

Those in favor of number 1, a show of hands. Those in favor of number 2, a show of hands. *Editors note: Number 2 won by a large margin.*

INTRODUCTION OF THE STATE MASTER COUNCILOR

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

We are happy to have with us the State Master Councilor, Brother Kristopher Geiman, and I pleased to say that he is a first degree Mason. Last year we heard from Brother Eric Scanlan who was the first State Master Councilor to be a Scottish Rite Mason, so lets welcome Brother Geiman.

Brother Kristopher Geiman, 1°, State Master Councilor, Order of DeMolay:

My brothers it is a privilege and honor to be here today to speak to this distinguished body. It was only a few short months ago that it was possible for me to be called a brother. It was a great day the my father and brother were able to give my my first degree.

At this time, I would like to thank the Scottish Rite Valleys of Illinois, and Freemasons of Illinois for the hearty assistance that has been shown to Illinois DeMolay in the previous year and the years to come. To thank you for all those many things you do, I do not really know where to begin.

On behalf of the three Masonic youth organizations, DeMolay, Rainbow for Girls and Jobs Daughters, I thank you for them as well.

Our membership in these three organizations are of vital importance to our existence. It can only stand with the help of the new members that came the ones which previously came. Lately, our membership has been at a standstill. For a few years, some would say it has been declining.

I look at the many members of our organization that have given all that they have to give back to the Masonic fraternity in many ways. I would like recognize that some of your attendees used to be members of DeMolay. Without DeMolay, I would have not found an interest in Masonry, even though my father was a Mason. It was through DeMolay that I found the answers that brought me here today. I know that many of the younger members of DeMolay are looking forward to the day that they turn eighteen so that can join Freemasonry. So, I need to ask you one more thing. No matter where you are in the State of Illinois,

anywhere at all that there is not a DeMolay Chapter, feel free to talk to me this weekend about starting a DeMolay Chapter. If you can't do that, lets get the potential members in your area into an already existing DeMolay Chapter. Lets make DeMolay something great such as your organization. I thank you very much for your hospitality and look forward to working with you.

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

My report is printed in the Preliminary Reports, so am not going to read it to you. I will highlight a couple of items that are worthy of your special attention.

There are some folks in our headquarters in Chicago, like Greg Klemm, Lee Bradley, Milan Vydareny, Daryl Selock, and Ed Witas, who really, really do a lot. A lot of what they do is behind the scenes and you never see anything of it. They are the ones which arrange for the rooms, instruct the hotel how to set it up, how high the platform will be, all the details of the meal planning, and things like that. They do this not only for this organization but also for the Valley of Chicago and occasions where we need planning. There are all kinds of publications they put out, and we really owe them. Please show them your appreciation.

The Valley secretaries are another group of hard working individuals who do a lot of planning and pass along a lot of information to us as wells within the bodies within the various bodies. Lets appreciate them as well.

The third group I would like to talk about is the Deputy's Representatives. I would like those individuals to stand please. We have Ill. : Ronald E. Fullerlove, 33° of Moline; Ill. : Barry D. Weer, 33° of Bloomington; Ill. : Michael B. Myers, 33° of Quincy; and Ill. : Kurt R. Grosse, 33° of the Southern Illinois. You guys need to stay standing a second because we have another piece of business to take care of. As of this meeting, I am appointing Ill. : G. Nicholas Graff, MSA, 33° to be the Deputy's Representative for the Valley of Peoria. Nick will you come forward please.

A side bar to that is the most of you know that office in Chicago was broken into last weekend. The collar we had for Nick was taken by the burglar so Monday we were hurrying to get another chain collar in for this ceremony today. So you received a brand new one. The guy on the street got a brand new one too, but he doesn't know what he has.

I could talk quite a while on membership but, I am going to let Benny take care of that one. The 32° Masonic Learning Centers for Children within the Illinois Council of Deliberation are up and running. Danville is on line now processing children and full as are nearly all the centers. This charity we have been working on the last several years is successful. Thank you Danville for all the work in getting up and running.

RESPONSE OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL 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 Daniel C. Yandel, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Illinois :

Thank you very much. We have couple of appointed Grand Lodge Officers here: the Junior Grand Deacon, Brother Gregory L. Clark; our Senior Grand Deacon, Brother Tony Cracco; our Grand Secretary, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master, Brother Benny L. Grisham; our Grand Treasurer, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master David W. Miller; our Junior Grand Warden, Brother Barry D. Weer; our Senior Grand Warden, Brother Terry L. Seward; and our Deputy Grand Master, Richard L. Swaney; please welcome them.



*Brother Daniel C. Yandel,
Most Worshipful Grand Master*

It is a pleasure to be here to speak to this group, it means a lot and to enjoy the fellowship. The nice thing about being a Mason is that I am very happy to be part of an organization that I can walk around the State of Illinois and talk to 90% of the 70,000 Masons, or even better, in this room I can go down about 90% of the men sitting here today and feel very confident that I could walk up to each and everyone of you and whisper in your ear my most deepest, darkest secret that I have in life. I could go to 99% of you and say this is the one thing I would not anyone else to know, and know, in my heart I could trust you to keep that secret. I have that much faith in you. You might say, "Grand Master, that is a bold statement to make." It is a bold statement and let me justify it.

Each one of us here is part of the greatest fraternal organization in the world, we are Masons. We belong to an organization which is so charitable, so unbelievable in what we give away, what we do for kids, what we do for crippled people for what we do for anybody. We are a great organization. I can justify my statements that I would trust anyone of you with my deepest, darkest secret by the fact that over the last fifty years you have not told a sole about our organization. You have kept the secret too. What do we do about the brethren? I can say a bunch of things, like we need to get our light out from under the basket, shout it from the roof tops, tell the world, get your head out of the sand. Now the simple thing is to go out and talk about Masonry. I could go to each one of you in this room and say give me the name of someone who should be a Mason. Someone who would enjoy Masonry, someone who you know would make a good Mason, and get a lot out of it. I think you could all give me a name, someone from church, from work, from the coffee shop, the grain elevator, a neighbor, or a relative. I ask you to do one simple favor, go and tell one person about this great secret we've got. That secret you guys have been keeping now for a long time. Let's share the secret, lets tell them about our great work, tell them

out the degrees of the Scottish Rite. If you have a problem with that, I'm not going to tell you my secret. Brethren, my challenge to you go find someone and tell them this great secret we've been keeping so many years.

I thank you on behalf of my Grand Lodge Officers for all the hospitality, it has been great. I look forward to sharing the evening with you guys with meal and presentations tonight. I thank you all very very much for having me here.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

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

I'm going to move onto committee reports and the approval thereof. The first motion I would accept of for the approval of the minutes of the annual meeting.

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:

We are now going to move to committee reports. I plan to bundle these as we have done in the past couple of years. Does anyone have any issues with that? Please make your self know before we move on.

The first bundle is the Report of the Distinguished Service Award Committee' the Committee for Assignments for 2008-2009; 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 all preprinted in the Preliminary Reports.

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 31.

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

The second group will be the youth reports, the Report of Illinois DeMolay Representative; and the Report of the Illinois Masonic Youth Foundation Representative. I had reservations about not asking the youth representatives to speak, but on the other hand we had an outstanding representative here a minute ago. Unless someone has a problem with that, I will entertain a motion to accept as printed.

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 31.

**CREDENTIALS REPORT
AND
APPROVAL OF PREPRINTED
SECRETARY'S REPORT**

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

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

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

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Just a little background for our numbers and why that is unfortunate for our contract next year. Our banquet count for last year was 430. This year we anticipate a banquet count of 375 so we are down 55. Our lunch is down 92 and our breakfast is down 56. The more important one is that has to do with housing, we used 258 rooms last year, and this year we are only using 154 which is a problem. That being said, all of the Valleys are properly represented. I would also move adoption of the Secretary's Report on pages 6 and 7 of the Preliminary Proceedings.

Secoded and Passed.

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

The reports that I do not wish to be bundled have to do with money. You need to know what money was earned and where it went. Brother Selock is not here, Brother Stanley P. Boyd, 32° will you come up and give the Treasurers report.

**APPROVAL OF PREPRINTED
FINANCIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Brother Stanley P. Boyd, 32°, for Ill. : Marvin L. Selock, 33°:

Brethren, page nine has the statement of assets and we ended the year with assets of \$238,740.87 which represents an increase of fund assets of \$15,962.66. If there are no questions, I would move acceptance of the report as printed.

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

Are there any questions?

Secoded and Passed.

PREPRINTED TREASURERS REPORT

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, 2008.

Cash in Bank

Cornerstone Bank Non-Profit Now Checking Account #1576933		\$64,034.01
Less Outstanding Checks		
#1080	\$70.00	
#1106	60.36	
#1107	28.00	
#1108	1,915.00	
#1109	1,867.70	
#1110	114.87	
#1111	169.24	
#1112	78.72	
#1113	102.91	
#1114	409.67	
#1115	1,100.42	
#1116	1,242.00	
#1117	49.05	
#1118	3,096.50	
Total Outstanding checks	\$10,304.44	
Balance in Checking Account as of April 30, 2008		\$53,729.57
Investments		
Money Market Checking Cornerstone Bank,	yield 3.50%	\$21,555.97
Money Market Cornerstone Bank	yield 1.76%	113,454.93
CD FNB Pinkneyville, Due 9/30/09	yield 3.70%	50,000.00
Total Investments of April 30, 2008		<u>185,010.90</u>
Total Assets as April 30, 2008		\$238,740.47
Total Assets as of April 30, 2006		\$222,777.81
Increase (Decrease)		\$15,862.66

Respectfully submitted,

Marvin L. Selock, 33°, Treasurer

FINANCE COMMITTEE BUDGET REPORT

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

Finance Committee Report.

Brother Stanley P. Boyd, 32°, for Ill.: Marvin L. Selock, 33°:

Brethren, I refer you to page 13 of the Preliminary Proceedings. The annual budget for this fiscal year ending April 20, 2008 we had a total income of \$104,472.91 vs. expenses of \$92,789.65 which produced a net income of \$11,683.26. Looking forward to our next fiscal year, we estimate in income of \$85,500.00. We estimate total expenses of \$79,500.00 which would produce a net income of \$6,000. Are there any questions on this budget? Hearing none, I move acceptance of this report as preprinted.

Seconded and Passed.

PREPRINTED 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 \$6,000.

The amount of income from the per capita is based on \$3.00 times the Fourth Degree members on the 15th of June each year—the fiscal year just ended—which is billed in the following year. Estimated investment income is an estimate based upon the following year.

The actual net cost of last year's Annual Meeting was \$20,965.20, and is expected to be slightly lower this year. Other budgeted amounts have been increased and decreased based on last year's actual experience.

The combination of decreased anticipated income and the expected increased disbursements as caused a smaller surplus for fiscal year 2008-2009.

ANNUAL BUDGET Illinois Council of Deliberation May 1, 2008 to April 30, 2009

Ordinary Income/Expense	-----2007-2008-----		Budget
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>2009</u>
Income:			
Per Capita	\$ 63,750	\$62,670.00	†\$59,250
Investment Income	3,000	2,905.63	3,000
COD Reimbursements	8,500	8,270.50	8,250
Supreme Council Reimbursement	<u>18,000</u>	<u>30,626.78</u>	<u>15,000</u>
Total Income	\$ 93,250	104,472.91	85,500
Expense:			
COD Session Expense	\$30,000	29,235.70	28,000
Committee	2,000	120.00	2,000
Contributions	3,500	3,000.00	3,500
Miscellaneous (Membership Promotion)	1,000	10,000.00	10,000
Secretary's Office	7,500	5,010.17	7,500
Seminars	6,000	5,777.25	6,000
Travel and Entertainment	10,000	4,528.80	7,500
Supreme Council Session	<u>25,000</u>	<u>35,117.73</u>	<u>15,000</u>

Total Expense	\$85,000	\$92,789.65	79,500
Net Ordinary Income	<u>8,250</u>	<u>11,683.26</u>	<u>6,000</u>

†Based upon 19,750 members

Respectfully Submitted,

Frank J. Roth, 33°, Chairman
 Gregory R. Klemm, MSA, 33°
 Marvin L. Selock, 33°

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE

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

Auditing Committee, Stan Boyd.

Brother Stanley P. Boyd, 32°, Chairman Auditing Committee:

The Audit Committee met and examined the transactions of the General Fund of the Council of Deliberation for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2008 and find them all to be in order. We have examined the statement of assets arising from cash transactions. The report appears on pages 10 of the Preliminary Proceedings. If there are no questions, I move acceptance of this report as printed.

Seconded and Passed.

PREPRINTED REPORT OF THE AUDIT 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, 2008.

We have examined the accompanying state of assets arising from cash transactions of the Illinois Council of Deliberation of April 30, 2008 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, 2008 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, 33°

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MEMBERSHIP

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

The Membership Committee Report, Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, 33°.

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

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Illustrious Commander in Chief, Illustrious East, my brethren all:

I have been asked to give you membership report, I think everyone here knows our membership status. But there will be a report.

I might start with a little story, it really has nothing to do with membership. But, it does reflect how far we have come in some respects. Some of you might know that a couple of months ago our house was burglarized. Last week, about 11:30 at night, I went outside to get a package off the porch I noticed when I came home. There were no lights on and I'm standing there when a car pulls up across the street, then another and then a third. Three cars in our neighborhood which never be sitting there. I thought that was strange, but a young lady lives across the street and I thought maybe it was her boy friend. Pretty soon, a person darts towards one of the cars, opens the door and leans in. A second person cruise up and is leaning in the other side of the car. Now I'm starting the get the message, I'm just a little bit slow. Soon, the second person goes to the second car and gets into it. Now I know what's going on. I hollered over, "What's going on?" The engine starts on the car, on guy hops in the car, it starts spinning its wheels and I headed out to the street. The third person is running to catch the car and running along side it, and I'm chasing him. Of course, he was probably eighteen. The car never did stop to pick him up and he kept running. I could not run very far. When it was all over, I'm standing there thinking, I don't know what I would have done if I caught him. I never gave that a thought.

I will make a little presentation about the Membership Program we are operating here in Illinois. Once upon a time, some 40 years ago, these two large groups operated very successfully in our state. The Grand Lodge as a parent as a parent fraternity if you will, probably at that time had 150,000 members and had been in business for some 125 years and had seen its peak in membership some seven to ten years before. The Scottish Rite had no problem in attracting Masons who were proud to become part of history if you will, and they were justly proud to have the title of 32nd degree mason.

So there was no need to make any change.

Candidates at that time seemed to be always available and eager to join. Class sizes for these initiations were commonly in the range of 150 to 200 candidates



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

twice a year. Many of those who joined, never participated in the Valley activities and more importantly to our membership numbers, they never placed any demands on the Valleys to retain their membership. We all told ourselves there was no need to make a change and maybe that was true at that time.

During the next ten to twenty years, and even though all the class sizes started to decline, we told ourselves no problem. So there was no need to make any change.

During the next ten to twenty years we saw the class sizes for our valleys continuing to decline to an almost unbelievable low number at times. Many members came to question the value of membership and many of us decided we have a problem and began to look at the need to make a change.

And during the last five years we have decided that we have a problem, not only in attracting new members but in retaining some of those faithful members we have had for many years because we have not fulfilled our commitment to them, fraternity, brotherly love and fellowship.

Have we now decided that we have a problem and we need to make a change?

Brethren, we are making changes and we are making changes for the better.

Grand Lodge Membership Program

Last year in June, our Grand Master called a meeting of all the leaders of the various groups in Illinois to create a joint focus on membership for each of those groups. The membership presentations has been scattered throughout the state and are still ongoing. I am sure that our Grand Master feels that we are not doing enough yet, and that the program will expand. The fruition of the labors of the presenters has not yet been seen, but as with most programs it will take time for the planted seeds to grow.

Advertisement

The Grand Lodge officers, working with Brother Rick Kohn, have started an advertising program which consists of ten new billboards being placed around the state each month. The locations are scattered around the state in our major college cities. As a supplement to the billboard advertising program, newspaper ads have been placed in college newspapers with much the same theme as the billboards. This advertising program although not totally directed at college aged men, is renewing the recognition of the Masonic emblem in the minds of men of varied ages.

Website

Both the billboards and the newsletter advertising program direct a man to our new website and allows each man the opportunity get information about our fraternity and to ask for more membership information. The Grand Lodge currently receives between 30 and 40 requests a month for information about the fraternity.

Supreme Council

Our Supreme Council is working on several membership enhancement programs, hoping to help our Valleys create recognizable value in membership in

this fraternity. Recommendations like holding entertaining events for members on a monthly basis in lieu of business meetings that are not of interest to most members, having traveling degrees for the benefit of our membership, the creation of more Scottish rite clubs and possibly additional valleys are just a part of the many changes that are being implemented and considered.

As time and moves on and society changes, our valley operations must become flexible and be ready to meet the needs and expectations of our member's prospective members.

I would like to take just a little more of your time and share some additional information with you.

I would like to share with you, its a video we have been using at our membership presentations around the state. It is an amazing thing which demonstrates how old am I and how far away from reality am I now.

Video was shown

I move adoption of the Membership Report as given and preprinted in the Preliminary Proceedings.

Seconded and Passed.

PREPRINTED MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

The Illinois Council of Deliberation and most of its Valleys have again struggled with membership recruitment during the past year. I believe that most of the Valleys are making needed changes in their reunion schedules and Degree presentations to become more relevant for our current and future members. By having Degree presentations at locations other than at the Valley building and taking our degrees to our members instead of requiring them to come to us has begun to make a difference for our recruitment and retention efforts. The Valleys in Illinois are becoming leaders in innovative programs that provide interest for our members who have varied interests.

The Grand Lodge has continued to provide Masonic membership lists for our Valleys on request. The new members in our Grand Lodge since June 1, 2007, total 1200 which is a slight decrease from last year's total. The Valley's in Illinois initiated 365 new members compared to 313 for the same period last year, which is a 16% increase as compared to a 25% decrease in new Masons in our State.

Brethren, as I stated in my report last year, the membership losses we are incurring would require any business to drastically change their marketing and products lines. I think the message has been understood by our Valley Officers and the needed changes are being made. Although we do not have all of the options available to a business, we are able to make many changes to return us to the real business of Scottish Rite, the business of providing our members with opportunities of fraternity, networking and enjoyment of fellowship with their fellow man.

At last year's Grand Lodge meeting a compact was agreed upon by all of the appendant bodies in Illinois to jointly utilize a unified membership program. Although the program has had somewhat a slow start, it is a program that will work for all of the Masonic groups in Illinois to not only grow our membership, but to provide a meaningful reason for our members to continue to be a part of

Summary Statistics

Valley	Beginning		Total							Net Loss	% Loss
	Membership	Initiated	Additions	Deceased	Suspended	Demitted	Total Losses	Mem	Ending		
Chicago	4,462	164	208	168	175	30	373	4,297	165	37%	
Quincy	1,111	12	17	31	21	7	59	1,069	42	38%	
Freeport	2,026	26	34	72	87	9	168	1,892	134	66%	
Peoria	2,274	16	32	94	2	2	108	2,198	76	33%	
Darville	3,735	68	90	180	32	25	238	3,587	148	40%	
Southern Illinois	4,344	36	57	166	184	10	360	4,041	303	70%	
Springfield IL	2,225	16	39	86	83	4	173	2,091	134	60%	
Bloomington	1,674	17	20	71	25	11	107	1,587	87	52%	
Moline	1,193	8	14	40	0	5	58	1,149	44	37%	
ICOD Total	23,044	363	511	917	609	103	1,644	21,911	1,133	49%	
Grand Lodge of Illinois	71,236	1,200	2,784	2,368	549	1253	4,317	69,703	1,533	21%	
Percentage of GL	32.35%	30.20%	18.35%	38.72%	110.93%	8.22%	38.08%	31.43%	73.90%		

our organizations. On the 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, 33°
Membership Chairman

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 (2:15 p.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, 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.

On April 1, 2007 we opened the year with total assets of \$9,161,376. During the course of the year we received contributions \$48,201. We received dividends and interest on our investments of \$324,515. We had realized capital gains of where we sold some of investments of \$168,571. We had farm income, from a farm that was left to us in the Lexington area. We have that in cash rent and in the course of the year we realized \$9,989. Total income to the fund during the course of the year was \$551,277.



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

During the course of the year we distributed in scholarships, in our General and Lou Williams, Perkins, Kresin and Wilson scholarships \$419,575. A significant investment in the education of youth. We had expenses of investment fees to Harris fund managers we hired to assist with the investments of the Fund of \$57,862. We had administrative costs during the course of the year, primarily accounting and auditing of \$17,351. Total expenses were \$494,799. We had income greater than expenses. However during the course of the year, as many of you are aware it has been a relatively

volatile year in the stock market we have fair market value fluxuations of unre-
alized losses on investments of \$432,227. We actually had a net loss of \$375,829
ending the year on March 31, 2008 with a Fund value of \$8,785,527.

Our investment into the scholarships during the course of the year were that
we supported 346 students. The Chairman of the Scholarship Committee will
be reporting on that shortly and detail some of the scholarships.

I would like to indicate to you, that at today's Board of Directors' meeting, we
were able to establish distributions next year from the Fund of \$444,000 plus for
the year. Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, I move acceptance of the Treasurer's
Report.

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 and dis-
tinguished guests:

The official 2008 Council of Deliberation
Scholarship Committee met this morning at 6:45
am. Each of the nine Valleys was officially rep-
resented. In a little over an hour and one half this
morning, the Committee agreed on distribution of:

- 327 Illinois Masonic Scottish Rite Health Care Scholarship @ \$1,250
- 4 Williams Scholarships @ \$2,000
- 9 Robert B. Perkins Scholarships @ \$450
- 9 Sherwood Kresin Memorial Scholarships @ \$450

Brethren, that is a total of \$444,000.

In addition, our own Supreme Council sponsors Leon M. Abbott Scottish
Rite Scholarships of which Illinois gets three. Our Grand Lodge sponsors eight-
teen scholarships. We were told this morning the the Scottish Rite Council of
Deliberation will distribute more than \$499,000 in scholarships.

Respectfully Submitted

Eric L. Johnson, 33°, Chairman

Roger F. Aukerman, 32°, MSA
P. Alvin Laird, 32°
Lauren L. Crawford, 32°
Ronald V. Cronau, 33°

Craig E. Sullivan, Sr., 32°
Dale D. Downs, 32°, MSA
Robert L. Cook, 33°
Edward A. Rund, 32°, MSA



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

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 2008–2011 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 2008.

Ill.: Richard E. Hummel, MSA, 33°, Valley of Peoria, (1st term)
 Steven L. Skate, 32°, Valley of Springfield, (1st term)
 Lauren L. Crawford, 32°, MSA, Valley of Moline, (1st 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. (2:25 p.m.)

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS ILLINOIS COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION 2008–2009

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:

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 2008-2009, 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°	Freeport	Commander-in-Chief
Ill. : James L. Tungate, 33°	Danville	First Lieutenant Commander
Ill. : Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°	Springfield	Second Lieutenant Commander
Ill. : John T. Phillips, 33°	Chicago	Minister of State
Ill. : Norman R. Buecker, MSA, 33°	Springfield	Active Emeritus
Ill. : Robert W. LaSurs, 33°	Southern Illinois	Active Emeritus
Ill. : Phillip C. Kenney, MSA, 33°	Peoria	Active Emeritus
Ill. : Lawrence D. Inglis, 33°	Chicago	Active Emeritus
Ill. : Ronald E. Fullerlove, 33°	Moline	Deputy's Representative
Ill. : Kurt R. Grosse, 33°	Southern Illinois	Deputy's Representative
Ill. : Michael B. Myers, 33°	Quincy	Deputy's Representative
Ill. : Barry D. Weer, 33°	Bloomington	Deputy's Representative
Ill. : G. Nick Graff, MSA, 33°	Peoria	Deputy's Representative
Ill. : Billy M. Burden, 33°	Bloomington	Orator
Ill. : Ronald L. Dennis, 33°	Southern Illinois	Chancellor
Ill. : Marvin L. Selock, 33°	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. : Christopher H. Cronau, 33°	Freeport	Engineer & Architect
Ill. : Jay M. Hawkinson, MSA, 33°	Moline	Master of Ceremonies
Ill. : Michael D. Ewing, 33°	Quincy	Seneschal

Ill.: William D. Graber, MSA, 33° Standard Bearer
 Springfield
 Brother Robert H. Orrill, MSA, 32° Captain of The Guard
 Springfield
 Brother Rex W. Richards, 32° Sentinel
 Danville
 Ill.: Russell L. Schlosser, 33° Outer Guard
 Chicago

Respectfully Submitted

Robert E. Martin, Jr., 33°, Chairman

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

William L. Coe, 32°
J. Robert Stockner, 33°

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, I move election of the officers and acceptance of this report.

Seconded and Passed.

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

Ill.: Phillip C. Kenney, MSA, 33°, will do the installation.

Installation ceremony was performed.

RECESS



Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, Active; Ill.: James L. Tungate, 33°, Active; Ill.: Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Deputy for Illinois; Ill.: John T. Phillips, 33°; Lawrence D. Inglis, 33°, Active Emeritus being installed as Illinois Council of Deliberation Officers by Ill.: Phillip C. Kenney, MSA, 33°, Active Emeritus

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

Is there any further business to bring before the Illinois Council of Deliberation? If not, I declare this Illinois Council of Deliberation at recess until 6:00 p.m. tonight for the conferral of the Meritorious Service Award and other business.

Preprinted Reports

Approved as printed and not presented at the session

ADDRESS OF THE ILLUSTRIOUS COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

Internal Support

This is an interesting organization that we belong to. The state is large and precludes frequent travel to the far corners in part due to the cost of fuel, but



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

also because we are spread over many miles. The only way that we can keep any semblance of coordination is through electronic communication and the work of many really great people. Ill.∴ Gregory R. Klemm, MSA, 33°, Secretary of our Council of Deliberation, works wonders in arranging various functions, coordinating our communications, gathering information, and trying to keep me on track. In the Chicago office are several folks that readily assist, such as Brother. Daryl W. Selock, MSA, who recently setup the new ICOD web site; Ill.∴ Marvin L. Selock, 33°, who serves as our Treasurer; Ill.∴ Lee Bradley, 33°, who tries to keep Ill.∴ Gregory R. Klemm, MSA, 33°, organized and directed; and Milan Vydareny who covers many of the communications requirements. This year Brother Edward J. Witas, III, MSA, has also been involved, and although his work is mainly for the Valley of Chicago, as are the rest, he is most willing to lend a hand when things seem to be going astray. These people work behind the scenes, but we wouldn't be much of an organization without their efforts. We owe them much.

The Valley Secretaries are another group of hardworking individuals that slave to keep their respective Valleys functioning. They are the key coordinators within the Valley and a large responsibility rests on their shoulders.

Deputy's Representatives

We have a great group of Deputy's Representatives. We communicate frequently and they bring to their Valleys additional perspective on those things that are going on and those directions that we feel need to be pursued in the future. I encourage you to make use of this resource as we move forward. This group of dedicated Brothers is:

Ill.∴ Ronald E. Fullerlove, 33° - Moline

Ill.∴ Barry D. Weer, 33° - Bloomington

Ill.∴ Michael B. Myers, 33° - Quincy

Ill.∴ Kurt R. Grosse, 33° - Southern Illinois



2008-2009 Deputy's Representatives

This year we announce the addition of Ill. Nick Graff, MSA, 33°, in the Valley of Peoria. Brother Nick is the Chief of Police in Morton, and has held many Masonic positions in his very active career. I'm most grateful that he agreed to take this position. He now starts to train under Ill. Phil Kenney, MSA, 33°, one of our Past Deputies.

All of the Deputy's Representatives are appointed for the next year.

Necrology

We must again recognize the loss we all feel of Brethren called home by the Grand Architect of the Universe. Our Prior, P. Alvin Laird, 32°, MSA, will give tribute to our departed Brethren.

Membership

This year, as we close our Council of Deliberation year, we will have completed the third year of increasing the number of candidates initiated. Let me be sure you hear that: this is the third straight year that we have steadily increased the number of candidates initiated into the Scottish Rite in Illinois! Pat yourselves on the back!

Now before you get too excited and somebody gets hurt, I will point out that the increases noted above have been rather small and that this is also the third year that we have lost many more members for non-payment of dues than we have initiated. We bring them in, but can't interest them enough to stay with us.

During the last year or so, we've presented and encouraged the use of a process titled "It's About Membership!". Grand Lodge saw fit to embrace this process wholeheartedly. York Rite and Shrine have picked it up as a standard answer to the usual question "how do we increase membership?". Copies of the booklet are in all Scottish Rite Valleys. This booklet covers not only recruiting, but also incorporation of new members into the organization, enrichment of their experience once they have joined, and a way to get at the underlying reasons a person decides to drop out. So if you still have a question on how to approach membership issues, that's a great place to start. The challenge starts here: we have to recruit and keep members.

Last year, I strongly recommended that each Valley take the Fourth Degree "on the road". Set up a road show and go to several Lodge halls in your area. Present the Fourth at least, and another Degree if you can. It works. Those Valleys that got the message and spent some preparation time, got results. It takes a team effort with several members to make an appearance at a Lodge meeting, present who we are and what we do. Promise to return with a degree team if there

is interest, and make petitions available. It's a good idea to have the degree presentation already scheduled so Youth Organizations that you can indicate when you will be back.

32° Masonic Learning Centers for Children

Illinois now has all seven 32° Masonic Learning Centers for Children that was originally assigned, up and running. Over 131 children were served in the last semester. When we first started, we were concerned that not enough children needed this type of help. That question has been resoundingly answered. We could fill each Center many times over. Financial support has and continues to be an issue. We need to work to refill the coffers in Lexington that have supported this great work. Your assistance is really needed. Please help the Learning Center Boards as they go about their fund raising activities.

Youth Organizations

The Illinois Council of Deliberation supports the Rainbow for Girls, Jobs Daughters, and DeMolay. There is a report in these proceedings from the Illinois Masonic Youth Foundation that will give you much greater details. These organizations are so important to us. Please lend your support to them.

Conclusion

As I mentioned earlier in this report, we are challenged. Membership is vital. Keeping what we have and adding new members is the only way we can survive. Leadership under such circumstances is most important. So Let's get the fires burning and show what we can accomplish.

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	2008
Beginning Membership	28,105	26,599	26,154	24,652	23,044
Prior Year Adjustments	0	(65)	207		
Adjusted Beginning	28,105	26,534	26,361	24,642	23,044
Initiations	388	623	307	313	363
Affiliations	21	17	28	15	9
Restorations	88	1,041	135	158	123
Total Increases	497	1,681	470	486	511

Year	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Deaths	892	922	955	880	917
Suspensions	539	981	539	1,017	609
Demits	504	157	186	180	103
Discharges	66	0	15	6	14
Expulsions	2	1	2	1	1
Total Decreases	2,003	2,061	2,189	2,084	1,644
Net Change	(1,506)	(380)	(1,719)	(1,598)	(1,133)
Ending Membership	26,599	26,154	24,642	23,044	21,911

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 DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD COMMITTEE

Each year the Council of Deliberation presents an outstanding Scottish Rite Mason with the "Distinguished Service Award". Prior to the Council meeting, each Valley presents their selections and its recommendation to the Distinguished Service Award Committee for consideration.

The name nominated by each Valley must be accompanied by a complete history of Masonic, Civil, Community, Church, and other pertinent information.

The Valley recommendations are reviewed by the Distinguished Service Committee, and the finalist is announced and introduced at the Council of Deliberation Banquet.

After due deliberation, the Distinguished Service Committee awards the "Distinguished Service Award" for 2008 to: Illustrious Brother _____ of the Valley of _____.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald L. Anderson, 33°, Chairman
 Lee Bradley, 33° Norman R. Buecker, MSA, 33°
 C. Walden Crouch, 33° B. Stephen Daugherty, 33°
 William J. Farris, 32° James M. Lantz, 33°
 Robert W. LaSurs, 33° Joseph M. Lucas, 33°
 William H. McDaniels, 33°

Editors Note: As the 2008 recipient was not in attendance, the name was not announced. It will be announced at the 2009 Convocation.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES FOR 2008-2009

Appeals and Grievances

Henry C. Tonigan, III, 33°, Chicago; Chairman
Craig A. Kennedy, 32°, Springfield
Adam E. Young, 32° Bloomington

Audit

Stanley P. Boyd, 32°, Bloomington; Chairman
Christopher H. Cronau, 33°, Freeport
Bruce W. Rhinehart, 33°, Danville

Budget and Finance

Frank J. Roth, 33°, Chicago; Chairman
Gregory R. Klemm, MSA, 33°, Chicago
Marvin L. Selock, 33°, 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, MSA, 33°, 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
Gregory L. Clark, 33°, Bloomington
James M. Lantz, 33°, Quincy
Robert W. LaSurs, 33°, Southern Illinois
Joseph M. Lucas, 33°, Springfield
William H. McDaniels, 33°, Peoria
E. Robert Pape, III, 33°
John A. Reining, 33°, Freeport

General Council

Andrew S. Bender, 32°, Bloomington; Counsel
Danny J. Leifel, 33°, Bloomington; Assistant Counsel

Illinois Masonic Scottish Rite Fund

Roger A. Carson, 32°, Freeport
James W. Patton, 33°, Chicago
Lee R. Sauzek, 32°, MSA, Southern Illinois

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
Roger A. Carson, 32° Freeport
John D. Dorner, 32°, Bloomington
Andy Hassan, 32° Chicago
Dean Heitz, MSA, 33°, Quincy
William J. Hussey, Jr., 33°, Danville
Jeffrey C. Thomas, 33°, Southern Illinois
D. Marc Wilson, 32°, Springfield
Earl F. Wys, 33°; Peoria

Meritorious Service Award

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

Nomination of Officers

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

Public Relations

H. Jay Sade, MSA, 33°, Quincy; Chairman
Robert L. Blacketer, 32°, 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
Roger F. Aukerman, 32°, MSA, Bloomington
Robert L. Cook, 33°, Southern Illinois
Lauren L. Crawford, 32°, MSA, Moline
Ronald V. Cronau, 33°, Freeport
Dale D. Downs, 32°, MSA, Danville
Pressly A. Laird, 32°, MSA, Quincy
Edward A. Rund, 32°, MSA, Chicago
Craig E. Sullivan, Sr., 32°, Springfield

**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 seven 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 at the annual DeMolay Conclave July 13, 2008, at Eureka College in Eureka.

After reimbursement of \$4,153.38 for State Master Councilor travel expenses, our endowment fund of \$298,990.49, plus our non-endowed account value of \$1,118.56, bring our total net worth in the Illinois DeMolay Foundation thru June 30, 2007, to \$300,109.05.

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 ensure 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°

Charles E. Hileman, Jr., 33°

Kenneth W. Smith, MSA, 33°

Representatives of the Illinois Council of Deliberation

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ILLINOIS MASONIC YOUTH FOUNDATION

The Board of Directors held their annual meeting at Peoria, Illinois, with the following approvals:

Illinois DeMolay to receive \$5,000 dollars, Job's Daughters to receive \$2,000.00, and Rainbow Girls to receive \$2,000.00.

Illinois Freemasonry is very proud of its generous contributors who have been faithful throughout the years. A total of \$12,000.00 was received from Illinois Grand Lodge (\$3,000.00), Illinois Council of Deliberation (\$3,000.00), Illinois York Rite (\$3,000.00), and Illinois Shrine Centers (\$3,000.00). We hope our contributors will continue their commitments in the future, and we thank them so very much for their generosity.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie I. Casali, MSA, 33°

Representative of the Illinois Council of Deliberation

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 Saturday, June 28, 2008. 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 2008. 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 this this high honor. The recipients for 2008 are presented below.

Bloomington

Dennis Gale Garrigus

Chicago

Donald Robert Carruthers
Noel James Kalis
George Swan Nelson

Danville

John Martin "Jack" Dolan
David Terry Richardson

Freeport

William Edward Gambrel

Moline

Timothy Joe Vice

Peoria

Arthur Wayne Williams

Quincy

James Burton Otto

Southern Illinois

Adrian Edward Croissant, Jr.
†Alvin Hugh Hensley
Ronald Coy Jestes

Springfield

Bryan Keith Hutchcraft
G. Robert Turner

†Deceased

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 Saturday evening, our Illustrious Commander-In-Chief will announce the names of nominees to be honored in 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert H. Orrill, 32°, MSA
Chairman

REPORT OF THE HOSPITALER

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, 2007 through April 30, 2008.

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, 2007 was zero

Collection at the 2007 Council of Deliberation meeting amounted to \$1,645.25 and was dispersed to the Supreme Council Scottish Rite Charities Fund.

The Hospitaler Fund as of April 30, 2008 has a zero balance.

Respectfully submitted,

John W. Bracken, 33°, Hospitaler

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 "B's". 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 ones 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 you 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, 33°, Chairman, Public Relations

Valley of Freeport

The Valley of Freeport strives to support all of the Masonic bodies and to reach out to the community in support of community events.

Community Involvement

Our year began in May with the United States Air Force Band performing a concert in the auditorium. We next had the Tri County Christian School tour our temple with students asking many questions about masonry. Also in May we hosted Lincoln-Douglas Society with an Abe Lincoln performance. We hosted the Adpix Awards in late May; this is a ceremony honoring all students in the area who have achieved scholastic honors.

As we moved into June we began the Month with a children's theatre performance titled "Toad and Frog." This program benefited our Learning center. We were able to bring in 400 needy children to see this play.

At the end of June we sponsored a Baseball trip to Milwaukee WI. For anyone that was interested although it was a small turnout it was a very good day.

We host many community events through out the year some of which are, The Mayors Hunger Luncheon, Freeport Chamber of Commerce annual Dinner, Freeport Health Net Work dinner, Women of Excellence celebration, the Freeport Community Concert Band series. The Freeport Journal Standard Cooking Show and we have started hosting the High School testing for the ACT test.

One of our biggest events was hosting the Chicago Cubs Caravan. This event brought eight players and three coaches to the temple for a VIP reception and autograph session. There were over 700 people attending this function.

We also had the Ladies of the RED Hat Society tour the building and asking many questions about freemasonry.

Masonic events

Our Learning Center continues to grow with excitement and enthusiasm. Our Director and her staff are very dedicated to the Center. We have 28 children enrolled with 8 on a waiting list. We had a graduation program in September.

We first had a pizza party for the children and their families, we then went to the auditorium for a formal graduation ceremony. The excitement shown by the children was an indication of how well this program is received by the children and their families.

An exciting new club was formed in the Valley this past year, the "forty and under club", this is for members under the age of 40. They have met and formed their own officers and established some social functions which represent their age group. We are very excited about this new opportunity in our Valley.

The annual meeting of the Valley of Freeport was held on May 17 with the election of officers. The Freeport Council Princess of Jerusalem elected Matthew Gibbons Sovereign Prince and the Freeport Lodge of Perfection elected Ronald E. Asche and Thrice Potent Master.

Our fall reunion was held on Friday and Saturday November 3 and 4. Our very special guest on Friday was Most Worshipful Master Daniel C. Yandel. The class size was 18 and was named in Honor of Ill. ∴ Quentin Valkema 33°, Past Commander in Chief.

Our Scottish rite installation team has been busy with Symbolic Lodge installation of officers.

Our spring reunion was held on April 4 and 5 with 12 candidates. This class was named in honor of Ill. ∴ Ronald V. Cronau 33°.

Valley of Moline

We begin our summary with the end of our Fraternal Year. In the previous year an emphasis was placed in working with the DeMolay. This year an emphasis was placed on working with the Rainbow Assembly in Moline.

The last thing we do as a Fraternity each year in April/March is perform the Feast of the Paschal Lamb to remember our brethren who have relinquished the working tools of this life and reported to the Grand Master of Heaven.

The next event was the election and appointment of officers for the lesser three bodies as the Consistory officers serve two-year terms. They were installed later in May in an open installation where family and friends were again invited to attend after which refreshments were served to the attendees.

The summer months were our slower months, in June we encourage our brothers to be with their families as Dads, Grand dads, Uncles, and Husbands on Father's Day. August picks up the activities as the school year approaches. We participated at the annual auction for Arrowhead Ranch, a school for troubled kids. We sold pizzas as a part of their fund raiser. This year however; the auction was cut short due the extreme heat. We still managed to sell almost twenty pizzas before it was decided to end the day. We also hosted the ILCHIP program at this event.

The Valley played a role in the MDA telethon. Brother Arlo Sloan, MSA, was the liaison with the local telethon people. Our familiar Red Coats were worn to add to the recognition of our members and our Valley.

One of our biggest events of the year, the Annual Leadership night occurred at the end of September, hosted by Illustrious Brother Mark Hepner. This year,

a little twist was added. Rather than having our scholarship winners sit through a long evening after a Reunion, we decided to invite the young leaders of the future along with their parents. We, also, decided to invite the young students from our Learning Center. This was a way to not only demonstrate what we do for non-masons but also for Master Masons who are not members of the Valley; it also served as a way to honor all of these people in one night. We served several hundred meals and handed out many awards and scholarships.

In October we tried another attempt to break from tradition and held our fall Reunion earlier in the month. We were honored at the opening of our reunion by the attendance of the Grand Master of Illinois, Most Worshipful Brother Daniel C. Yandel. In keeping with the theme of the year, the Rainbow Girls assisted with the evening meal. After which a donation was given for their aid. In November, we held our annual vesper service; which had a Veterans theme. We held a 'Toys for Tots' drive for the Marines. Our Vesper speaker was a veteran of several tours of duties throughout the world including a recent tour in Iraq. He spoke about the positive things our troops are doing in the world. Once again, we had the assistance of the Rainbow Girls of the Moline Assembly for the meal.

In December, we had our annual Christmas party for children of all ages. St. Nick himself was again the hit of the party. He had the opportunity to interview many good little boys and girls. January brought our annual Spaghetti dinner. This year we did it as mutual fund raiser for the Rainbow girls and our Learning Center.

For the last activity of the winter, the Valley of Moline sent a delegation to the annual winter meetings and seminars/workshop. We held our Spring Reunion in mid March. Once again our opening ceremonies and degrees were attended by the Grand Master of Illinois, Most Worshipful Brother Daniel C. Yandel. The kitchen staff was again assisted by the Rainbow Girls of Moline while receiving a gift from the Valley for their help.

This brings us back to our celebration of the Feast of the Paschal Lamb. We honored all of our members who have entered into the Celestial Lodge above where the Grand Master of Heaven presides.

The final event of the year was the annual Western Pilgrimage of the Rainbow Grand Officers in April. Members of the Valley were escorted to the East as guests of the Worthy Grand Advisor. A donation was given on behalf of the Valley to the Grand Worthy Advisor.

Thus ends another year of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of the Valley of Moline.

Submitted by,

Eric M. Noyd, 32°
Past Sovereign Prince

Valley of Chicago

Thinking outside of the box. This is the motto that has been adopted by the leadership of the Valley of Chicago, and it continues as the basis for the long-term strategic plan that we have implemented in our full, ongoing, frontal attack in favor of the positive development of our Rite.

The efforts of the Valley of Chicago during the 2007-2008 Masonic year have been focused on four main areas of development, which are, in no particular order: (1) the conceptual design and development of our new home; (2) the requisite for effective communications; (3) the need for unique joining opportunities; and (4) the virtue of positive involvement in the design for membership retention.

The Conceptual Design and Development of our New Home

For some, a building is nothing more than a compilation of brick and mortar that is used as a shelter from nature's elements. To the members of the Valley of Chicago, a building is a grand monument that should be reflective of the purposes for which the structure was built.

The Directors of the Scottish Rite Cathedral Association of Chicago have been working diligently over the past year to conceptualize, design, and prepare to construct, the future home of the Valley of Chicago. The Cathedral Board has entered into a contract for the purchase of a 16.25 acre site in Bloomingdale, Illinois—which is located near the projected center of the Valley of Chicago's in-state membership base. We have also been working on the exterior design and interior layout of a 52,000 square foot facility, that when properly adorned, will serve as a stupendous monument of architecture and as a representation of establishment for all Masons in the State of Illinois.

Our new home's design boasts a contemporary design that will include a large foyer and entry space; a dining room; a members' lounge and game room; a traditional Masonic meeting place; a state-of-the-art performance theatre, equipped with the most current lighting, sound, and technological advancements; a library; a museum; and a 32^o Masonic Learning Center for Children.

The purpose of our new home is to offer a safe-haven for men to escape the trials and tribulations of human existence; to provide a gathering space for brothers to dwell together in unity; and to encourage the advancement of spiritual growth and human development. Much of our human and capital resources have been devoted to this project, and the skillful advancement of those resources will surely lead to the strength and establishment of the Valley of Chicago for generations to come.

The Requisite for Effective Communications

Communication is a key element in the vitality of any organization—especially organizations, such as ours, that require the unified efforts of its members to productively exist. The Valley of Chicago has worked very hard over the past year to increase the effectiveness of its communications with its members, its Masonic Brothers who have not yet sought membership into the Scottish Rite, and the community in general.

To keep its members informed of upcoming activities and happenings around the Rite, the Valley of Chicago produces a quarterly news journal that is forwarded to members and other interested parties. The journal includes advertisements for upcoming activities; written reviews and pictures of completed events; highlights of various members that recognize fraternal, social, and civic achievements; special interest stories on members' personal and family accomplishments; a tear-out calendar; and other interesting articles on Freemasonry. The Valley of Chicago's news magazine was recognized by the Supreme Council for being the Best Publication in its Class in 2007.

Because the news magazine is published only four times a year, the Valley of Chicago supplements its member communications with a weekly E-News publication, called Echoes from the Valley of Chicago. The Echoes publication highlights upcoming social events and activities, periodic contests, meeting schedules, interactive projects, and promotes various other special news items that are intended to keep the members in touch with the happenings of their Rite. There are currently 1,437 subscribers to the Echoes from the Valley of Chicago, and the subscribers' list continues to grow each week.

The resources that we have dedicated toward improving the effectiveness of our member communications has yielded positive returns in the form of increased participation at Valley activities and larger class sizes at our reunions.

The Valley has also developed and implemented the Ambassador's Program during the 2007 Masonic year. As a direct result of this program, members of the ninety plus Masonic Lodges in our territory, who are not yet Scottish Rite Masons, are receiving communications about the happenings of our Rite. These non-Scottish Rite members, because they are aware of our programs, are bringing their families, neighbors, and friends to Scottish Rite functions and social activities. And because these non-Scottish Rite Masons have been given an opportunity to experience some of the benefits of membership in the Scottish Rite, many of them have decided to petition our Rite for membership status in order to receive the full benefits of membership.

Further, recognizing that the future members of the Valley of Chicago can be found within the Masonic Lodge, we routinely publish Valley of Chicago event advertisements, special news items, and joining opportunities in the Masonic Temple Topics—a monthly newsletter that reaches nearly every member of the Blue Lodges located in the Northeast Area of the State.

We have also been working extremely hard over the course of last year to enhance positive Masonic awareness throughout our communities. In addition to raising nearly \$300,000 in support of our 32^o Masonic Learning Center for Children in the last year alone, we have also dedicated our efforts toward other community projects as well. This year, the Valley of Chicago has decided to join the fight against cancer by making the commitment to support the Windy City Classic Celebrity Golf Outing for Cancer Research. Funds raised as a result of this noble endeavor will be donated to the University of Chicago's Cancer Research Foundation and the Susan Warble Foundation.

Other causes that were supported by the Valley of Chicago during the 2007-2008 Masonic year include: the Annual Ride to the Rock, a two-day bicycling

event that raises money for vital research in the area of Multiple Sclerosis; a welcome home care package, containing entertainment gift cards, to American soldiers of the M Company, First Platoon, First Squad Marine Corps Unit, who recently returned home from service in Iraq; and the donation of a Nintendo Wii game system and \$6,000, for the benefit of the Children at Shriners Hospital in Chicago.

As a result of our commitment to increase the positive community awareness of our fraternity, many people who were not previously exposed to the kind and charitable nature of Freemasonry have been brought to light in that respect.

The Need for Unique Joining Opportunities

In April 2008, nearly 200 members of the Valley of Chicago, including nearly 100 candidates, boarded Amtrak's City of New Orleans passenger train for a unique weekend of brotherhood in the Big Easy. The Valley of Chicago, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, partnered with the Valley of New Orleans, Southern Jurisdiction, to present their Spring Reunion festivities.

Members of the Valley of Chicago made the 1700 mile voyage to New Orleans in style. The Valley of Chicago contracted four private rail cars, including a private dining car, to ensure that members were treated to the most comfortable travel accommodations available. The trip began with a bon voyage party in our own private dining car, where members were served a variety of choice beverages and specialty appetizers. The same degree of elegance continued throughout the journey. All meals during the voyage were served in the Valley's private dining car, including a prime rib dinner on the return trip to Chicago.

The idea of the joint reunion was first developed by Ill.∴ Gregory R. Klemm, 33°, and the idea quickly gained the support of the leaders of the Valley of Chicago; most especially our forward-thinking Active, Ill.∴ John T. Phillips, 33°. Ill.∴ Bro. Klemm and his staff, consisting of Ill.∴ Lee Bradley, 33°, Daryl W. Selock, MSA; Milan Vydareny; and Edward J. Witas, III, MSA; took charge of the logistical planning and oversaw even the minutest of details which were necessary to successfully complete the Reunion festivities.

While experiencing the mysteries of the Scottish Rite and sampling the New Orleans culture, members were given an opportunity to create friendships that will surely last a lifetime. As a result of the New Orleans reunion trip, the members of the Valley of Chicago are rejuvenated and looking forward to their future involvement in the Scottish Rite. At the completion of the Spring Reunion festivities, the overwhelming excitement of the members heightened as the announcement was made that the 2009 Spring Reunion of the Valley of Chicago would be held in Las Vegas, Nevada.

For those members who were unable to attend the weekend of brotherhood in New Orleans, a special one-day opportunity to join the Scottish Rite was hosted by the Valley of Chicago at the Libertyville Masonic Temple, located in Libertyville, Illinois. In addition to initiating nearly thirty candidates into the Valley that evening, by bringing the Scottish Rite Degrees to the local Lodges, our efforts helped to reinforce the cooperative relationship between the local Lodges and our Rite.

It is important to note that many of the Valley of Chicago's one hundred and sixty plus candidates last year first learned of the benefits of membership in the Scottish Rite from a letter that the Valley sent to newly raised Master Masons informing them of the many opportunities to participate in the extended Masonic community. Through our research, the Valley of Chicago has found that members who have been Master Masons for less than two years are more likely to accept an invitation to seek further light in the mysteries of the Scottish Rite. With these findings in mind, the Valley of Chicago continues to explore new and exiting ways to maximize the participation of our newly raised brothers.

The Virtue of Positive Involvement in the Design for Membership Retention

The Valley of Chicago recognizes that the key to retaining members is to provide them with a variety of benefits that give value to their membership in our Rite. We achieve this goal, in part, by taking the necessary care in developing our future home, by providing effective communications, and by encouraging members to participate in our unique reunions and joining opportunities. However, the Valley of Chicago works very hard to pride its members, their families and friends, with unique activities and social programs that only the Scottish Rite can offer.

In 2007, among the social events that were hosted by the Valley of Chicago include: Day at the Races; a Family Picnic; Family Night at the Rite; a children's holiday party; an adult holiday party; a Valentine's Day dinner and theatre program; and a Chicago Cub's baseball game. One of our most successful events continues to be the Annual Thanksgiving Celebration, where the Valley of Chicago hosts a dinner on Thanksgiving Day, inviting members and their loved ones to celebrate the spirit of the holiday with their Masonic family. The program was originally designed in 2004 for the purpose of bringing together members who did not have anyone to share the Thanksgiving holiday with. But participation in the program continues to grow each year, and it has quickly become one of the most successful programs in the Valley.

What is really encouraging is not just the diversity of the programs that are being offered by the Valley of Chicago, but the participation that our programs are attracting. Nearly every social activity that was hosted by the Valley of Chicago in 2007 was a sold-out event, with a waiting list in place. In many cases every who wished to attend the Valley's programs were accommodated, but the increased participation of our members has created concerns for our event planners, in that all of the events are adopted by our Valley must be able so sufficiently accommodate the demands of our energetic membership—if only we could all have more concerns such as these!

As we are already planning for next year, the Valley of Chicago's social calendar is full of exciting programs and events. Already in the works for 2008 is a Hawaiian Luau and Pig Roast; an outing at Arlington Park; a Scottish Rite Golf Outing; a Family Picnic; a Day at Medieval Times; Family Night at the Rite; a children's and adult holiday party; and much, much more.

As a direct result of the Valley of Chicago's social calendar, members of our Rite, as well as their families and friends, are truly excited about being part of

the Scottish Rite. Our membership recruitment efforts have benefited. Our membership retention and meeting attendance is higher than ever. And this is only the beginning.

There is much uncertainty in the air as the Valley of Chicago pushes forward into the uncertainties of the coming year. Much has yet to be determined when it comes to the on-going development of our new home. But much is clear, the ability of the leaders of the Valley of Chicago to think outside the box, and their willingness to do so, will ultimately lead to the Valley of Chicago's victory in the full, ongoing, frontal attack that has been launched in support of the positive development of our Rite.

Submitted by,
Edward J. Witas, III, MSA
Editor, Scottish Rite News

Valley of Peoria

No report was submitted

Valley of Danville

The Valley of Danville has been extremely busy in the area of Traveling Degrees, "Rite Stuff Rendezvous", ILCHIP, plays for the public and dinner plays and other fund raising events.

During the past year, the Valley has taken Scottish Rite Degrees to five different locations, from the Northern area to the Southern parts of the Valley; generally portraying two Lodge of Perfection Degrees and a Consistory degree. One of the most outstanding Traveling Degree events was an Outdoor Degree, the first to anyone's knowledge in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction. We were invited to a member's country property North of Newton, Illinois. The 4°, 7° and 24° were presented. The property had a pond and made a very impressive arrival of the Indians in a canoe. Two of the performers actually covered their bodies in red makeup and shaved their heads into Mohawks to make the Degree even more impressive to the 12 candidates and close to 150 members in attendance. The new Scottish Rite Masons were very moved by the Degree. After the degree presentations, they enjoyed a fabulous pulled pork BBQ dinner. Also, the Valley was the first to stage the new version of the 22° when it was performed at Champaign, West Union and Kankakee.

The Valley has had a huge success with our "Rite Stuff Rendezvous" where a group of dedicated members travel, entertain and inform Masons and non-Masons of the fun, enjoyment, and friendships developed from being a Scottish Rite Mason. We are realizing close to 100% success with those prospects in attendance petitioning either Scottish Rite or their local Lodge. Based on that success, we are anxiously looking forward to expanding this program with "Rite Stuff" Teams in different parts of the Valley.

Our Valley has been extremely involved with local lodges co-sponsoring the ILCHIP program. We have been co-sponsors of events at County Fairs, Grade

Schools and Lodges. As of this date, from these events, we have been a part of interviewing and registering 579 children. A very special thanks goes to our faithful members and their ladies for their dedication to this very important Grand Lodge program.

The Valley of Danville is blessed with a number of talented performers and the "Valley of Danville Players" presented several plays this past year. Not only at the Masonic Center in Danville, but also at several locations through out the Valley. On Veteran's Day, they presented a Patriotic Dinner Theater featuring two plays, "The Last Full Measure" and "Memorial." Both were very well received. The play, "December's Rose" was taken out to Lodges and used by those Lodges as a fund raiser. In December, the same play was presented for the Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, with dinner preceding, at the Danville Masonic Center and was well attended and well received.

The Valley held it's first Oktoberfest at the Gao Grotto in Danville. Brats, Hot dog's, Sauerkraut and Potato Salad were served. Added features were games, prizes, poker run, karaoke contest, a live Polka Band, and even a dunk tank.

In July, the Valley held the First Annual Scottish Rite Golf Classic, featuring a \$1,000,000.00 Hole-in-One Shootout. A total of 84 golfers played an 18-hole scramble, which featured four \$10,000.00 Hole-in-One holes and many other prizes and awards. All golfers, as well as, the general public, had a chance to qualify to shoot for the \$1 Million. A special hole was set up on the driving range and the closest to the pin, every two hours, won the right to shoot for the Million. This ran for 10 hours and five lucky golfers took their shot at the Grand Prize. This event netted the Valley right at \$5,000.00 and all had a super great time. The Second Annual Scottish Rite Classic (and \$1,000,000.000 Hole-in-One Shootout) will be held May 31, 2008 at Harrison Park Golf Course in Danville.

The Valley also sponsored a bus trip to Bloomington to witness *The American Passion Play*. Many had never seen the play before and those that have witnessed it in the past were again thrilled to see it.

In March 2008, the Board of Governors for the 32° Masonic Learning Center held an open house that was attended by over 200 people. Tours were also given of the Masonic Center and many people who had never been in the building before, were most impressed. The Learning Center is now up and running and have students waiting to be admitted.

The Valley of Danville is extremely proud to introduce a new author, Brother Todd E. Creason, 32°. His book, "Famous American Freemasons" was released in January and since that time the Valley has been actively promoting this outstanding book. The Valley ran a silent auction for a sealed and autographed book to the highest bidder. At the Spring Reunion the book was presented to Olive Branch Lodge No. 38, which had the high bid of \$500.00. The proceeds went to the Learning Center. This is a must-read book for all Masons and the sale of the book has been much more than Brother Creason had ever hoped for.

I would add that all events were advertised through newspapers in Champaign and Danville, as well as, five different radio stations. Also, several interviews were set up at radio stations and with WCIA television in Champaign.

New Officers have been elected and we are looking forward to conquering the challenges that the Valley is faced with. They are committed to taking the Valley Degrees to prospective members throughout eastern Illinois. Many changes are under consideration with the hopes that it will promote participation and build membership.

Fraternal regards,

Robert L. Blacketer, 32°, Chairman

Public Relation & Communications, Valley of Danville

Valley of Bloomington

While surveying the activities of the Valley of Bloomington this last year, there seemed to be a natural grouping of the Valley's involvements in several areas, each worthy of dedication of time and effort, and rewarding on a personal and organizational level. So rather than compile a list of all the chronological events, we will comment on the primary themes of the year's activities.

Fraternity and Brotherly Love

Certainly fraternalism is an important aspect of our work. Our Reunion activities were exceptional this year. Prior to each Reunion, a couple of the degrees were performed in Lodges in the outreaches of the Valley. In the fall, the 4th and 14th traveled to Marseilles and in the spring the 4th and 6th degrees were presented at Gibson City. While well received, lessons learned included ensuring better publicity and coordination to make these events more successful in the future.

The Fall Reunion was highlighted with our welcoming, under the theme of the Reunion Friends and Brothers, the Valley of Chicago for a joint Reunion Weekend. The former Scottish Rite Temple, now Bloomington Center for the Performing Arts, was a beehive of energy and enthusiasm as the members of both Valleys participated in the enjoyable business of conferring degrees and welcoming new members into our Rite. The opportunity to fellowship with our northern brethren was, indeed, exceptional.

The Spring Reunion commemorated the anniversary of the Valley's first class with the theme Rite at 100. The May Reunion was the 100th anniversary of Bloomington Lodge of Perfection beginning to operate under dispensation. The Lodge went on to receive its charter in December of 1908.

The Officers of the Chapter of Rose Croix conducted the Feast of the Paschal Lamb in March. As has been a longstanding tradition in the Valley, the ceremonies included participation by DeMolay Commandery No. 24, Knights Knights of Columbus. Together we commemorated the lives of our brethren and celebrated the divine gifts of life, brotherly love and rebirth.

Family

Numerous activities throughout the year provided opportunities for Scottish Rite families to enjoy events and fellowship together. The Council sponsored a

Family Fun Day at a local Fun Park which features miniature golf, go karts, rides and other games as well as food. The Rite participated in the McLean County Fair, held a Family Picnic at the Scottish Rite Recreation Area at Lake Bloomington, and hosted a Valentine's Dinner.

Certainly, *The American Passion Play* has become a "family" event. The 2008 season was the 85th consecutive year this production was produced in Bloomington. The number of three-generation Scottish Rite families that form the core of the cast and crews is a testament to the importance of our temporal and spiritual families.

Community Service

The Valley recognizes the need to raise awareness of the Masonic Fraternity in general and the Scottish Rite in particular. Throughout the year several of the lines and other volunteers supported Peace Meals distributions, Masonic Community Day activities, and numerous IL CHIP Masonic Lodge sponsored events. We rang the bells for Salvation Army, gave financial support to the Boys and Girls Club, recognized Illinois Scottish Rite Scholarship Award recipients, jointly sponsored a Blood Drive and sponsored the local DeMolay Chapter.

Scottish Rite Recreation Area

One of the unique assets of the Valley of Bloomington is the Scottish Rite Recreation Area at Lake Bloomington. For better than fifty years this facility has provided a healthy and wholesome environment for numerous events and activities. The RV Camping Grounds accommodates the Scottish Rite Campers Club. The Lodge and picnic pavilion host family reunions, and Lodge and Scottish Rite Picnics. The bunk house and pool support the Illinois Masonic Children's Homes summer camps, Rainbow for Girls State Leadership Camp and other scheduled events through the summer season.

A significant facility enhancement is underway with the construction of the new pool at the Scottish Rite Recreation Area (SRRA). This major investment in the Scottish Rite Facilities at Lake Bloomington is a continuation of the remodeling and refurbishment initiated several years ago to ensure that the SRRA will continue to serve the needs of the membership and affiliated Masonic organizations for many years to come.

We are particularly thankful for the generous contribution from the Illinois Masonic Children's Homes, which covered approximately one-half of the construction cost of the new swimming pool. The Children from the Homes have for some number of years enjoyed a week of summer camping fun at the Recreation Area. I know they will surely give the new pool a workout this summer when they again visit.

So it has been satisfying and productive year for the Valley of Bloomington. But not willing to be comfortable with the status quo, the Officers and Members of the Valley of Bloomington are hard at work planning for the year ahead, and the opportunity to write new chapters of fellowship, service, and fun!

Valley of Southern Illinois

The Valley of Southern Illinois has been extremely active in supporting community events and promoting Masonry throughout our area.

In June we hosted dance recitals for four local dance studios. This brought over 2500 people into our facility. The Valley once again hosted the Belleville Philharmonic Orchestra and The School of Ballet in a presentation of the Nutcracker. On Memorial Day weekend, we hosted the USAF Band of Mid-America for a concert open to the public, all of which allowed us to present Scottish Rite Masonry to the general public.

We continue to have Valley Fish Fry's open to the public. This involves members, wives, and friends to operate and serve to the public. Our Fry's are growing every month and are an additional income for the Valley.

Our Family Life committee started off the year with a Pot Luck dinner which hosted over 85 members and families. They also sponsored a bus trip to the Mundy Theater of St. Louis, and helped at three Child ID programs. In February and November the committee hosted holiday luncheons open to our members and general public.

Our 32° Masonic Learning Center for Children continues serving our local communities by providing information on dyslexia, and training of tutors. We presently are working with 30 children in our Center and six new tutor trainees. Since our opening in 2002, we have held 3259 tutoring sessions; served 55 children; trained sixteen tutors; certified seven tutors; 24 children have successfully completed the program.

Our annual Walk-A-Thon held in October was again a tremendous success with over 200 people participating and raising \$13,000 for the Center.

Valley officers attended the ICOD Leadership Conference and completed the strategic plan for 2007 – 2010.

Gary Alves, 33°
Executive Secretary

Valley of Quincy

No report was submitted

Valley of Springfield

The 2007-2008 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 planning to expand the facilities for our 32° Masonic Learning Center for Children.

On June 9, 2007 the Valley dedicated its 32° Masonic Learning Center for Children.

On August 7, 2007 the Valley held its annual Scholarship Presentation and Reception for all the scholarship recipients for the 2007-2008 year. Scholarships were presented to 62 well-deserving students.

2008-2010 REUNION DATES

Valley of Bloomington

2008	2009	2010
May 2-3 Nov. 14-15	April 24-25 Nov. 6-7	February 26-27 November 19-20

Valley of Chicago

2008	*2009	*2010
April 4-5 Nov. 7-8	April 10-11 Nov. 6-7	March 26-27 Nov 5-6

Valley of Danville

2008	2009	2010
April 4-5 Oct. 24-25	April 3-4 Oct. 23-24	March 19-20 October 29-30

Valley of Freeport

2008	2009	2010
April 4-5 Nov. 7-8	April 3-4 Nov. 6-7	April 2-3 November 5-6

Valley of Moline

2008	2009	2010
March 14-15 Oct. 17-18	March 20-21 Oct. 16-17	March 19-20 October 15-16

Valley of Peoria

2008	2009	2010
March 28-29 Nov. 7-8	March 6-7 Oct. 2-3	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 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

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-NINTH SESSION

Banquet

Saturday, June 28, 2008

6:00 p.m.

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

Please be seated so we can get started. Thank you. Illustrious Brother Jim Tungate will announce the names of MSA candidates, Janice and I will be on the floor to greet them as they come in the room.

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

It is my pleasure to announce our MSA candidates and their ladies for today.

Bloomington

Dennis Gale Garrigus

ChicagoNoel James Kalis
George Swan Nelson**Danville**John Martin "Jack" Dolan
David Terry Richardson**Freeport**

William Edward Gambrel

Moline

Timothy Joe Vice

Peoria

Arthur Wayne Williams

Quincy

James Burton Otto

Southern IllinoisAdrian Edward Croissant, Jr.
†Alvin Hugh Hensley
Ronald Coy Jestes**Springfield**Bryan Keith Hutchcraft
G. Robert Turner

†Deceased

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

Brother Laid will give the invocation.

Brother P. Alvin Laid, 32°, MSA, Prior:

Please remain seated. Lord Jesus, you are the host of this meal as you were the host that you gave for your disciples. We thank you for your grace, mercy and love and give us an ever lasting salvation. Thank you for the blessings and comforts we enjoy. Bless our service men and women and bring them home safely. Bless our country with a dedicated and honest government. We pray that you bless us, especially this Meritorious Service Awards class. May all of us apply the lessons taught in the Consistory degrees to our personal lives. Bless this food and give us the strength to do your will. Bless those who prepared this meal and served it. All this we ask in your holy name. Amen.

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

Enjoy your dinner.

Dinner was served

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

I know some of you are still finishing up your dinner. I have asked our Hospitaler and his committee to begin our annual basket collection. This year the collection will be going to one of our Supreme Council Charities. We have not determined which one yet, but we will be sure it gets to the right place.

While they are clearing the plates, let me cover a couple of points. We are going to move to the MSA presentation. On your program, there were a couple of other things we were going to do, unfortunately they fell through as the last minute. So, we will skip over those this year.

After we complete the MSA ceremony, there will be a photo opportunity for you of the MSA recipients. Illustrious Brother John Phillips will announce the MSA Designates for 2009.

Let me clear one more thing up. It has been pointed out to me that when we started tonight I missed having everyone stand and do the Pledge of Allegiance. My response from me is that I did not shut down the Illinois Council of Deliberation this afternoon, we went to recess, so we are still in session.

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, or 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. When I read your name, please stand and one of my committee will come and escort you to the stage.

Bloomington

Dennis Gale Garrigus

Chicago

Noel James Kalis
George Swan Nelson

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

Illustrious Sir, these are our recipients for the Meritorious Service Award.

Ill.: Phillip C. Kenney, MSA, 33°:

Thank you Brother Orrill and your committee. Let me make one remark up front. The name of Alvin Hugh Hensley was read and nominated a year ago. He has since passed away. Let me assure the Valley of Southern Illinois this his name accorded in the Valley records as having received the Meritorious Service Award. Along with the Illinois Council of Deliberation records and the Supreme Council records, and will reflect that he was an Meritorious Service Award recipient.

- 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°
- Robert W. LaSurs, MSA, 33°
- Lawrence D. Inglis, 33°

The Meritorious Service Award was presented to the Class of 2008.

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

On this happy note, we will close our Illinois Council of Deliberation for this year.

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

Having been entrusted with this, it is my honor to now announce the 2009 Nominees for the Meritorious Service Award.

2009 Nominees for Meritorius Service Award

Richard Morris Erickson, Valley of Bloomington
 Manual M. Roth, Valley of Chicago
 Michael J. Ryder, Valley of Danville
 Richard Carl Lyons, Valley of Freeport
 Lawrence Leonard "Eugene" Smith, Valley of Moline
 Donald F. Edwards, Valley of Peoria
 Frank Edward Baumgartner, Valley of Quincy
 Craig A. Kennedy, Valley of Springfield
 Jeffery Lee Edwards, Valley of Southern Illinois

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

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 the Illinois Council of Deliberation closed.

Fraternally yours,



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

Attest:



Gregory R. Klemm, MSA, 33°
Secretary

2008 MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS



Supplement 1

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

ILLINOIS MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS 2007-2008

	Bloomington	Chicago	Danville	Freeport	Moline	Peoria	Quincy	Southern Illinois	Springfield	Total Illinois
Beginning Membership	1674	4462	3735	2026	1193	2274	1111	4344	2225	23044
Initiations	17	164	68	26	8	16	12	36	16	363
Sum of Affiliations	1	4	2	1	2	1	3	2	2	18
Restorations	2	37	20	5	4	15	2	19	19	123
Death Restorations	0	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	7
Total Increase	20	208	90	34	14	32	17	57	39	511
Deceased	71	168	180	72	49	94	31	166	86	917
Suspended	25	175	32	87	0	2	21	184	83	609
Discharged	0	0	0	0	4	10	0	0	0	14
Expelled	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Demitted	11	30	25	9	5	2	7	10	4	103
Total Losses	107	373	238	168	58	108	59	360	173	1644
Net Change	-87	-165	-148	-134	-44	-76	-42	-303	-134	-1133
Ending Membership	1587	4297	3587	1892	1149	2198	1069	4041	2091	21911
Membership Change Percent	-5.2%	-3.7%	-4.0%	-6.6%	-3.7%	-3.3%	-3.8%	-7.0%	-6.0%	-4.9%
Beginning Senior Membership	59	450	237	167	120	114	57	347	224	1775
Senior Additions	6	50	24	0	1	3	11	28	18	141
Senior Losses	10	74	54	26	19	14	8	58	33	296
Ending Senior Membership	55	426	207	141	102	103	60	317	209	1620
Senior Membership Change	-4	-24	-30	-26	-18	-11	3	-30	-15	-155

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MOLINE

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Died May 1, 2007

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Nick J. Feller

Born March 30, 1922

Died May 13, 2007

BLOOMINGTON

Arthur F. Willan

Born November 19, 1922

Died June 20, 2007

DANVILLE

James L. Norman

Born May 14, 1929

Died June 25, 2007

BLOOMINGTON

D. Hodge Fuller

Born August 16, 1931

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Ridell A. Kelsey, Jr.

Born May 10, 1917

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Born May 23, 1923

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Homer T. Smith, Sr.

Born July 20, 1907

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Born July 23, 1933

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2000 Bruce Coleman Stark	2005 Thomas Andrew Nimrick
2001 John Thomas Barrett	2005 John Charles Piland
2002 Ronald Steven Bell	2005 Jeffrey Eugene Wheatley
2002 William Byron Black	2006 Richard L. Clark
2003 Jon Alan Cole	2006 Roger W. Dettro
2003 Jeffrey Vernon Stahl	2006 Brian L. Pettice
2003 William Jess Warmoth	2006 Bruce W. Rhinehart
2004 Albert William Swope	2007 Terry D. Cox
2005 Clark Erwin Erickson	2007 Paul F. Noerenberg
2005 Jerry Michael Haynes	2007 James D. Goodwine

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

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

1965 Roy Louis Wilimzig, Jr.	1989 Cecil August Griesbaum
1968 William Kent Stephens	1989 Richard Barnes Barnett
1969 James Fulton Robb	1990 Henry Garrett River, Jr.
1971 Everett Thomas McGinnis	1991 Charles Edwin Hileman, Jr.
1972 Clarence Austell Dempsey, Jr.	1991 David Lynn McCann
1976 E. Gene Ross	1991 Roderick Jay Patefield
1977 Thomas Joseph Barschak	1992 Gary George Harris
1979 Robert J. Kirkpatrick	1992 Wade Lee Hedger
1979 Robert William LaSurs, Active Emeritus	1993 Ferdinand Charles Goewert
1980 Hallie Fred Lewis	1993 Kurt Robert Grosse
1981 Gene Terry Morris	1993 Myrle James Heatherly, Sr.
1981 Donald Ralph Lienesch	1993 Robert Wilson Pyles
1981 John L. Hert, Jr.	1994 Michael Charles Farrara
1982 Joseph William Barnes, Jr.	1994 Steven Franklin Kibler
1982 Richard A. Martin	1995 Gary L. Alves
1982 Doyne Edmond Winterrowd	1996 Edward D. Allan
1983 Charles Gustav Kurrus, III	1996 Irvin C. Slate, Jr.
1984 Carroll Wayne Banks	1997 Robert L. Cook
1984 Vernon Lee Dennis	1997 Richard C. Townsend
1985 Ralph Herman Boesch	1997 Harold E. Tracy
1985 Kelly John Hogan	1998 Paul H. Booth
1986 William Charles Dallas	1998 Ferd C. Kaufman
1986 Ronald Wayne Miller	1999 Ralph A. Bauer
1987 Marshall Lee Hartmann	1999 Robert D. Field
1987 A. Thomas Walter	2000 John Naum Bellcoff
1987 William Raymond Witham	2000 Harry Lee Crisp II
1988 Harry Garreth Seper, Sr.	2000 Wayne George Forcade, MSA
1989 Donald Eugene Crisel	2000 Frank Edward Martinez, MSA

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS—Continued

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

2000 David Wayne Matzenbacher, MSA	2005 Paul Louis Kueker, MSA
2000 Gary Alan Popp	2005 John Robert Stephens, MSA
2001 B. Lee Reeves, MSA	2005 Jeffrey Carl Thomas
2002 Robert Jay Caraway	2006 Mack Marshall Farmer
2004 Thomas Aldredge Holbrook	2006 Robert Thomas Ferguson
2004 Raphael Jude LaPorte	2006 Louis Holcman, Jr.
2005 Robert Frederick Buck, MSA	2007 Brad Cole
2005 Doyle William Clubb, Sr., MSA	2007 Randall R. Milone
2005 Brian Kelly Cutler, MSA	2007 Vernon R. Landers
2005 Ronald Lee Dennis	2007 Richard L. Adams

SPRINGFIELD

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

1970 Samuel Shephard Blane	1994 Harris Hickock Hatcher
1970 Norman Ray Buecker, Active Emeritus	1994 Richard Henry Mills
1972 William Richard Schnirring	1995 Kevin W. Campbell
1973 James Oliver Orr, Jr.	1996 Phillip S. Pinney
1977 Charles Eldon Pence	1997 Keith W. Cravens
1978 Wayne Calhoun Temple	1998 Thomas J. Lucchesi
1980 David Harold Cramer	1998 David W. Miller
1980 Robert Warren Deffenbaugh	1998 William L. Neuman
1983 Benny Lamar Grisham	2000 Jeffery Duncan Derrick
1983 Robert Sinclair Savage	2001 Lee E. Morris
1984 Roger Owen Meredith	2002 James Joslyn Moses, Jr.
1987 Bruce Scott Melton	2003 Robert Paul Weichert
1988 Charles Harper Banning, Jr.	2004 Wilbert Wendell Martel
1989 Merle Lee Kirby	2005 Franklin Eugene Cline
1990 Robert Allan Stuart, Jr.	2005 William Dale Graber, MSA
1991 Floyd Eugene Pettit	2005 Joseph Willard Lucas
1991 Kenneth Lyle Shewmaker	2006 David Eric Purdy
1992 David Lee Snyder	2006 Steven Louis Walls
1993 Loren Irvin Barnes	2007 August A. Candioto, Jr.
1993 Robert Howard Scott	

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

1963 John Claire Martin	1990 Norman Ray Madison
1965 James Russell DePew	1990 David Edward Young
1967 John Dennis Trefzger	1991 Ronald Franklin Lowery
1968 Frederick Alonzo Dolan, Jr.	1993 Danny John Leifel
1969 Harold Floyd Gullett	1994 Thomas Roy Grubb
1970 Harry Earle Riddle, Jr.	1995 Ronald Keith Blue
1971 Orvid Vernel Lancaster	1996 Larry Edward LaBounty
1972 Howard Chris Ryan, Sr.	1999 Andy H. Reining
1976 Allen Gilbert Spencer	2000 Richard Dean Barclay
1977 William Talbert Bringham	2000 Michael Ray Fowler
1978 Winford Lee McElroy	2002 Kenneth Wayne Smith
1983 Barry Durrick Weer	2004 Jim L. Grimm
1985 Norman Lee Meade	2004 Albert William Swope
1986 Chester Walden Crouch	2005 Steven C. Nicholson
1986 Robert Henry Wright	2006 Billy M. Burden
1988 Gregory Lee Clark	2006 Robert Thomas Trefzger
1989 Robin Lee Carr	2007 George F. Perkins
1989 Douglas Eric Williams	

MOLINE

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

1969 Lyle Paul Hoogheem	1992 Harry Elam Hamilton, Jr.
1971 William David Barkman	1993 Albert Halick Fitch
1976 Homer Lee Zumwalt	1993 Merle Robert Moffitt
1977 Gary Curtis Mitchell	1993 Richard Norton Pierce
1978 Roland Everett Mose	1994 Keith Glenn Roesner
1979 Lawrence Marvin Weiss	1994 Johnny Arthur Wagner
1979 Charles Houston Willey	1995 William B. Endres
1980 Clinton Richard Wheeler	1996 Gregory G. Lindsay
1983 Kenneth Eugene Brandt	2000 Grady Matthew Birdsell
1984 Eric Reid Trimble	2000 Robert Lane Millikan
1986 Jay Mons Hawkinson	2002 Alden Parker Kipp
1987 Newel LaVern Robertson	2005 Arthur Eugene Hamman, Jr., MSA
1989 Clifford Ernest Shafer	2005 Daniel Carter Yandel
1989 William Henry Bruce	2006 Mark Robert Hepner
1990 Lloyd Thomas Balmer	2006 David Keith Poffenbarger
1991 Walter Monroe Pumfrey	2007 Arthur J. Hemm
1992 Donald Lyle Anderson	2007 George F. Perkins
1992 Ronald Eugene Fullerlove	

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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
2008.....	<i>to be announced at the 2009 Convocation</i>	

*Deceased

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MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

CHICAGO

1969 Elmer William Gielow	1993 Harold James Spelman
1972 William Joseph Bissen	1994 Moulton Babcock Goff, Jr.
1978 Stephen R. Greenberg	1997 Robert H. Siever
1979 Kenneth Peter Johnson	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.	2008 Noel J. Kalis
1991 Richard Thomas Carnall	2008 George S. Nelson
1992 Allen Robert Kohn	

QUINCY

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

1970 John Cornelius Irwin	1993 Jerry Lee Wells
1975 Henry Otto Wiegmann	1994 James Frederick Albsmeyer
1976 William Owen Mays	1995 Don Franklin Lair, Sr.
1978 Edgar Rimbey Johnson	1997 Truman Conner
1980 John Dunbar Watson	1998 Frank W. Turnbull
1983 Donald Arthur Brown	1999 William O. Mays, Jr.
1983 Larry John Lepper	2001 David M. Liesen
1985 Wilbur T. Hetzler	2002 Pressly A. Laird
1987 Terry Jay Coker	2003 Randy M. Zaerr
1988 David Freeman Higgins	2004 Denver L. Echternkamp
1989 Henry Jay Sade	2005 Russell A. Lawson
1990 William Albert Hageman	2006 Dean Heitz
1992 Charles William Duesdieker Jr.	2008 James B. Otto

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MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

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
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.
1994 James Omer Kenagy, Jr.	2008 William E. Gambrel

PEORIA

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

1960 Robert Frederick Voss	1989 Robert Alden Burhans, Jr.
1973 Phillip Charles Kenney	1991 Jay Phillip Parker
1974 Burton L. Hasselberg	1992 Paul Dean Thatcher, Sr.
1975 Stephen M. Burroughs	1993 Robert Hugh Orrill
1975 Charles Ray Smith	1994 Robert Erb Musser, Jr.
1978 Dean Herschel Fetters	1995 Richard Dale Bean
1978 James Fulker Wise	1997 Michael Craig Hinds
1979 Jerry Walters Winberry	2001 James D. Durham
1980 Lynn Norbert Banta	2002 Robert L. Cook
1980 Gary Homer Hamm	2002 Richard E. Hummel
1980 Louis Donald Shuford	2002 Marion J. Goeken
1980 Kenneth Drake Swords	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	2008 Arthur W. Williams
1988 Quentin Howard Willman	

DANVILLE

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

1972 Everett Russell Fuller	1997 Lowell Dee Hill
1976 Phillip Eugene Elder	1998 James Alden Evans
1980 John Leroy Clingan	1999 Gene L. Quick
1983 Eugene A. Marlatt	1999 Ralph D. Portlock
1985 Frank J. Chiaramello	2000 Sammie H. Robinson
1985 John Arthur Lamb	2000 Benny A. Stutesman
1986 Francis Wayne Bariether	2000 Ronald E. Stutesman
1987 Charles C. Cronkhite	2001 Jimmie D. Gilliland
1988 Raymond B. Smith	2001 Henry Walsh
1988 Robert Lee Stutesman	2002 Larry Gene Mason
1989 Russell LeRoy Burgin	2002 Seigel Howard Hall
1990 Harry Franklin Muller, Jr.	2002 Richard Carter Helck
1991 Donald Meddie Bertrand	2002 Paul Murrah
1991 Max Benjamin Pennington	2003 Phillip L. Green
1991 Jesse Grover Scott	2003 David L. Evans
1993 Theodore Russell Williams	2003 Richard E. Chapman
1993 Harold David Wheatley	2003 Daryl A. Grove
1994 Richard Allen Thompson	2004 Donald W. Davis
1995 David Dean Hesler	2004 Dale D. Downs
1997 Earl Roscoe Harrison	2004 Jesse R. Higginson

DANVILLE—Continued

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

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
2006 William A. Harrison	2008 John M. "Jack" Dolan
2006 Theo D. McConnell	2008 David T. Richardson
2006 Montell J. Smith	

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

1973 Thomas J. Barschak	1995 Robert T. Ferguson
1975 Hallie Fred Lewis	1995 David W. Matzenbacher
1977 Ronald Wayne Miller	1996 Robert F. Buck
1979 Harry Garreth Seper, Sr.	1996 Wayne G. Forcade
1980 Jack D. Scoville	1996 Robert B. LaSurs
1980 Richard C. Townsend	1997 Doyle W. Clubb, Sr.
1981 William Charles Dallas	1997 Stephen R. Taylor
1981 Leon Martin Welch	1997 Benjamin E. Ward
1982 Albert Thomas Walter	1998 Roy B. Patton
1983 Donald Eugene Crisel	1998 Robert G. Spencer
1984 Wade Lee Hedger	1998 James O. Thompson
1984 Mark Steven Szoke	1999 Franklin L. Porch
1984 William R. Witham	1999 B. Lee Reeves
1985 Charles E. Hileman, Jr.	1999 Carrol R. Sinks, Jr.
1986 James R. Turner	2000 Melvin L. Maricle
1987 Richard Barnes Barnett	2002 Louis Holcman
1987 Harold Bernard Mueller	2002 Brian K. Cutler
1988 Gary Joseph Buckrod	2002 Paul L. Kueker
1988 John William Craver	2003 John R. Stephens
1988 Ervin Odell Schultz	2003 Donald R. Phipps
1989 Cullen Clarence Clauser	2003 William Osborn
1989 William Edward Swyear	2004 Steven E. Kraus
1989 Eddie Eugene Turner	2004 Mark P. Maxwell
1990 Gerald Roy Armstrong	2004 Darrell E. Smith
1991 Russell Lee Hauser	2005 Walter R. Beatty
1992 Richard Leroy Adams	2005 Larry L. Johns
1992 Paul Howard Booth	2005 Kenneth W. Oakley
1992 Mack Marshall Farmer	2005 Melvis F. Stephens
1993 William Henry James	2006 John William McGee
1993 Frank Edward Martinez	2007 Robert Lee Carr, Jr.
1993 Charles T. Bordoli	2007 Carl Eugene Hall
1994 Enrico Tolentino Farinas, Jr.	2007 Kenneth Norman Overturf
1994 Sidney Irvin Strotheide	2007 Lee Roy Sauzek
1994 Robert Wayne Triplett	2008 Adrian E. Croissant, Jr.
1995 Robert E. Beard	2008 Ronald C. Jestes

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MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

1965	Norman Ray Buecker	1997	Larry Alson Hamlin
1977	Wayne Calhoun Temple	1998	Larry Walsh
1980	Benny Lamar Grisham	2000	Charles H. Siemer
1980	John Richard Swinburne	2000	Perrine E. Thompson
1981	Carlos Frank Baker	2001	Robert Kalb
1981	Leon Hacker	2002	Ronald G. Guppy, Sr.
1983	Donald Eugene Mohr	2002	Clifford C. Sullivan
1984	John Cameron Kinser	2003	James W. Boggs
1985	Merle Lee Kirby	2003	Robert A. Hough
1988	Bernard Neal Birk	2003	Frank M. Lane
1989	August A. Candioto, Jr.	2004	Franklin E. Cline
1990	Raymond Lowell Reed	2004	Benjamin Franklin Harmony
1991	Lon Douglas Burke	2004	John Thomas Hughes
1993	Jack Lee Thompson	2005	Eugene Gyure, Jr.
1994	William Dale Graber	2006	Gary Lee Williams
1994	Joseph George Hutter	2007	Kraig E. Sullivan, Sr.
1995	Edward Allen Jackson	2007	G. Robert Turner
1996	Floyd Richard Carlson	2008	Bryan K. Hutchcraft
1996	John Robert Funk	2008	G. Robert Turner
1997	Charles Melvin Adner		

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MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

1963	James Harold Gordon	1994	Darwin Dareyl Brown
1970	David Arthur Patterson	1995	Forrest Leland DeVore
1977	Viggo Jorgensen Frost	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
1993	John Albert Hulett	2008	Dennis G. Garrigus

MOLINE

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

1963 Lyle Paul Hoogheem	1997 Robert L. Millikan
1971 Roland Everett Mose	1998 Alden Kipp
1973 Gary Curtis Mitchell	1999 Samuel L. Brooks
1976 Lawrence Marvin Weiss	2000 Mark R. Hepner
1982 Jay Mons Hawkinson	2001 Arthur H. Hemm
1984 Albert Halick Fitch	2002 David Newton
1985 James Wayne Dellitt	2003 Donald R. Wood
1988 Merle Robert Moffitt	2004 Randy D. Fitch
1990 William Bervin Endres	2005 Lauren L. Crawford
1991 Gregory George Lindsay	2006 Arlo Ray Sloan
1991 Richard Norton Pierce	2007 Richard David Hacker
1995 Arthur E. Hamman, Jr.	2008 Timothy J. Vice
1996 Ernest S. Wedell, 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
Peoria.....	Stated.....	June 28, 2008

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

*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. McFatrigh
 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

*Living

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

Supplement No. 10

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) coordinate 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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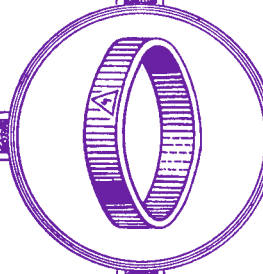
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Ill.°. Lawrence D. Inglis, 33°	Chicago	Active Emeritus
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Ill.°. Michael B. Myers, 33°	Quincy	Deputy's Representative
Ill.°. Barry D. Weer, 33°	Bloomington	Deputy's Representative
Ill.°. G. Nick Graff, MSA, 33°	Peoria	Deputy's Representative
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Bro. P. Alvin Laird, 32°, MSA	Quincy	Prior
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Ill.°. Christopher H. Cronau, 33°	Freeport	Engineer & Architect
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Ill.°. Michael D. Ewing, 33°	Quincy	Seneschal
Ill.°. William D. Graber, MSA, 33°	Springfield	Standard Bearer
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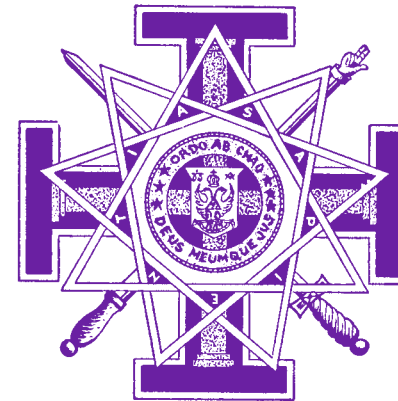
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