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ANCIENT ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE
NORTHERN MASONIC JURISDICTION
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF ILLINOIS

at its

ONE HUNDRED FORTY-THIRD
ANNUAL MEETING

Held at the Scottish Rite Cathedral
Valley of Chicago

Bloomington, Illinois
Saturday, June 30, 2012

BENNY L. GRISHAM, MSA, 33°
Ill. ∴ Commander-in-Chief and Deputy for Illinois

GREGORY R. KLEMM, MSA, 33°
Secretary

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NORTHERN MASONIC JURISDICTION, U.S.A.

Office of the Deputy
383 East Lake Street
Bloomington, Illinois 60108-1191

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

May 14, 2012

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

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 Forty-Third Convocation of the Illinois Council of Deliberation will be held in the City of Bloomington, Illinois, Saturday, June 30, 2012, 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,

 *Benny L. Leisner*, MSA, 33°

*Illustrious Commander-in-Chief
Deputy for Illinois*

Attest:

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

Agenda

SATURDAY, JUNE 30, 2012

- 8:30 A.M. Actives and Deputy Reps. Meeting
- 10:00 A.M. Ladies Shopping Excursion
- 10:00 A.M. Membership Committee Meeting with Actives and Reps.
- 10:45 A.m. Illinois Scholarship Fund Finance Committee Meeting
- 11:15 A.M. Board of Directors of the Illinois Scholarship Fund Annual Meeting
- 11:30 A.M.. Mens' and Ladies' Lunch
- 1:00 P.M. General Business Session
- Formal Opening
 - Reception and Remarks of Distinguished Guests
 - Welcome by the Commander-in-Chief, Valley of Chicago
 - Announcement of the 2013 Council of Deliberation
 - Address of the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief
 - Membership Presentation
 - Acceptance of the Proceedings of the 2011 Annual Meeting
 - Committee Reports
 - Annual Meeting of the Illinois Scottish Rite Scholarship Fund
 - Installation of Officers
- 2:00 P.M. 33° Candidates' Ladies Information Session
- 3:30 P.M. Adjournment of the Council of Deliberation
- 3:30 P.M. Joint Hospitality Room Opens
- 5:00 P.M. Social Hour for Banquet (Cash Bar)
- 6:00 P.M. Banquet
- Introduction of MSA Designees and Ladies
 - Presentation of Distinguished Service Award
 - Conferral of the MSA on 2012 Recipients
 - Announcement of the 2013 Nominees
 - Photo Session for 2012 Recipients
- 9:00 P.M. Joint Hospitality Room Open



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



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



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



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



Ill.: RICHARD L. SWANEY, 33°
Active for Illinois



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



Ill.: ROBERT W. LASURS, 33°
Active Emeriti for Illinois



Ill.: PHILLIP C. KENNEY, MSA, 33°
Active Emeriti for Illinois



Ill.: LAWRENCE D. INGLIS, 33°
Honorary Sovereign
Grand Commander
and Active Emeriti for Illinois



Ill.: LEE B. LOCKWOOD, 33°
Active Emeriti for Illinois

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ILLINOIS COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION

ONE HUNDRED FORTY-THIRD SESSION

Saturday, June 30, 2012

1:00 p.m.

FORMAL OPENING

Ill. : Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:



*Ill. : Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°
Commander in Chief, Illinois
Council of Deliberation*

Good Afternoon Brethren. I welcome each of you to this our 143rd Illinois Council of Deliberation. We certainly are blessed today to be meeting in this beautiful building the Valley of Chicago has erected. For you that did not make it up to the dedication, I hope that you have opportunity to tour a little bit. If not, them maybe after the session you will have the opportunity. If you will please rise and join me the pledge of allegiance to our flag. (*Pledge was given*) To order brethren. 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 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, and by virtue of the authority on my conferred, I declare this Illinois Council of Deliberation open for business.

Thank you brethren. At this time I will call on brother Ill. : P. Alvin Laird, 33°, our Prior to give us an opening prayer.

Ill. : P. Alvin Laird, MSA, 33°, Prior:



*Ill. : P. Alvin Laird, MSA, 33°
Prior*

Please pray silently as I pray aloud. Supreme Architect of the Universe, we would reverently invoke your blessing on this Council of Deliberation. We pray that at what we do here will be acceptable in your eyes. We pray that as we come to inquire of the lord that you will listen to us and guide and direct in the path that you would have us go. We give thanks to those who founded and built this fraternity. We pray that those who inherited it will continue to build on the labor previously done. We give thanks to those who are here and ask your blessings upon them, especially this class of Meritorious Service Award recipients. Be with us as we build around the tenets of brotherly love, relief and truth. To the honor and glory of your holy name. Amen.

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

Thank you Illustrious Brother Laid. Brethren, please be seated.

INTRODUCTION OF EAST

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

It is my extreme pleasure to be able to present to you our Active and Active Emeriti members of our Supreme Council. First, we have Illustrious Brother Phillip C. Kenney, MSA, 33°, Active Emeriti and Past Deputy for Illinois; Illustrious Brother Lawrence D. Inglis, 33°, Active Emeriti, Past Deputy for Illinois and Honorary Past Sovereign Grand Commander; Illustrious Brother Lee B. Lockwood, 33°, Active Emeriti and Past Deputy for Illinois. To you brethren, we are certainly glad you could be with us today and appreciate your council and assistance in the past year. Two of your Active Emeriti members, Brother Norman R. Buecker, MSA, 33° and Robert W. LaSurs, 33° are unable to be here. In Norman's case, LaDean does not travel well, but both are doing well, but with her not traveling Norm does not risk taking her on long trips. Norm himself is doing quite well. He has a few health issues but nothing major. Norm has as sharp as wit as ever for those who have known Norm a long time. Brother LaSurs on the other hand has his own set of health issues. He has been a brittle diabetic for several years. That catches up with everyone in time as they have had to battle that. Audrey has also had some health problems with her back. We wish both of them well. We ask that all of you keep them in your prayers. They have been two very active members of our Supreme Council and our Illinois Council of Deliberation.

With us also, I know these brethren really don't need an introduction, but they are entitled to it we and are going to take the opportunity to do that. We have Illustrious Brother James L. Tungate, 33°, Active Member for our Supreme Council and Grand Secretary General. Illustrious Brother John T. Phillips, 33°, Active Member for our Supreme Council and Illustrious Brother Richard L. Swaney, 33°, Active Member of our Supreme Council. As you can imagine, in any officers' meeting we don't always agree. But, we certainly are able to discuss any point we are talking about and are able to come up with a proper answer and agreeable to answer to all of us. I thank you for your efforts for our Supreme Council and this Illinois Council of Deliberation. Seated on stage, I had hoped he would not be seated on stage, but he is the boss and we can not control him is Illustrious Brother John William McNaughton, Sovereign Grand Commander.

Commander it is certainly is our pleasure and honor to have you here with us once again. I hope you have enjoyed yourself thus far. I don't think any of us can appreciate the amount of travel that the Sovereign Grand Commander has to do. He goes from Lexington to Ft. Wayne, to Evansville, to here and leaves for Charleston tomorrow. It is just travel, travel, travel. It has to be wearing on you. At Supreme Council he has all of us to take care of him. Once he gets done traveling he gets to sit on his can.

I also want to introduce our Deputy Representatives. Each of you, please stand, I can see you are in no particular order which is probably bad for me. I'll

call your name and then stand. Illustrious Brother Loren I. Barnes, 33°, Valley of Springfield; Loren, please turn around. A number of these brethren have not had to deal with you and sometime they will. You will certainly remember that face. We have Illustrious Brother Gregory L. Clark, 33°, with the Grand Lodge as Junior Grand Warden, for the Valley of Bloomington; Illustrious Brother G. Nick Graff, MSA, 33°, Valley of Peoria; Illustrious Brother Kurt R. Grosse, 33°, Valley of Southern Illinois; Illustrious Brother Jeffrey W. Miller, 33°, Valley of Freeport; Illustrious Brother Robert L. Millikan, MSA, 33°, Valley of Moline; and last but not least is Illustrious Brother Michael B. Myers, 33°, Valley of Quincy. Let us give these brethren a big hand. Sometimes in their own Valley they are not the most popular person there. I assure you, that within our Council of Deliberation they are all very popular for their efforts. They are very devoted workers to our Scottish Rite and to our Council of Deliberation. Personally, I thank all of you for being my Representatives during the past year and look forward to working with you in the next year.

I want to do one thing before we move on with introductions. It has taken me a year to get collars for two of these brothers. For you two brothers who have not been "collared," I am going to collar you if you want. Please come up on stage. (*Collars were presented by Ill.: John W. McNaughton and Ill.: Benny L. Grisham*).

INTRODUCTION OF THE DeMOLAY REPRESENTATIVE

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

We will proceed with introductions. I know sometimes we go overboard with introductions. But I have to tell you that we have active Masons that work very hard in their jurisdiction and I think that at any of these annual meetings they deserve to be recognized. We will not let all of them speak. We will let only a few speak as they are long talkers. Illustrious Brother Swaney, if you will conduct Brother Mark Rasushenberger and Brother Joey Minor to the east.

Brethren, it is my pleasure to introduce Brother Mark L. Raushenberger, 32°, Executive Officer, DeMolay for Illinois and Brother Joey Minor, I say brother, while he is the State Master Councilor, he is also a brother Mason. He was able to join early in life due to Grand Lodge legislation. It is my pleasure to introduce both of you and a pleasure to have you both here. Joey I will ask you to give some remarks, no long speeches.

Brother Joey Minor, 32°, State Master Councilor, DeMolay for Illinois:

Good afternoon brothers. Since I have been growing up through DeMolay since I was twelve, I have heard two things from our organizations. From DeMolay, I have heard that we take young men and turn them into leaders. I find that to be very true. The one I have heard from Masonry is that you take good men and make them into better men. This year we have had about eight DeMolays start their journey into Masonry. That is really fantastic and I could not be more proud of them. I am glad that we



*Brother Joey Minor, State
Master Councilor, DeMolay-IL*

can come together as organizations and not only make the community better but improve their lives with with the way of DeMolay. I want to thank everyone here for their continued support of DeMolay. I can not say thank you enough. We have seen such an improvement this year, all because of the support you give. Thank you very much.

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

Brethren, he did a good job. I'm not saying he did not do a good job, but he did not have any warning, and usually I give him some warning that he was going to speak. I appreciate your being here. He is about to go out of office. He is going to be very happy in about a month.

INTRODUCTION OF THE YORK RITE

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

We have a couple of the presiding officers of the York Rite bodies. We have Dale P. Cyrier, Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter for the State of Illinois. It is a pleasure to have you with us. If you have any of your officers here today to rise, brethren thank you for being here. We also have with us, Sir Knight D. Marc Wilson, Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Illinois. I might add the Marc is a member of my Valley. It is a pleasure to have you here Marc. Please recognize any officers you might have here today and ask them to stand. Let's give these brethren a hand for being here today.

RESPONSE FROM THE YORK RITE

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

Dale if you would have a seat, Sir Knight Wilson would you please say a few words.

Sir Knight D. Marc Wilson, Right Eminent Grand Commander:

It is pleasure to be here. I have been coming a lot of years. I will have to say that I come to Chicago often, but I seldom wear a tie in Bloomingdale, I did not know that everyone in Chicago wore a tie. I promise heartily to wear one this evening. I will echo what everyone else has said, we have had a great year. No year goes by without a few blimps but we got those ironed out. Those of you that know me, know that I retired from the Army. You can not do it alone in the Army and you can not do it alone here. You have to have good staff, good people and I have been blessed with having that. Thank you Commander-in-Chief.



*D. Marc Wilson, R.E.
Grand Commander*

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

I will also echo some of his statment. In Illinois, we are very blessed. Its not a total agreement, but I do not know of any Valley which has a problem working with any of the bodies of the York Rite or getting cooperation. A lot of states have trouble working with the Shrine. In Illinois, I think every Valley has a good working relationship with the Shrine.

INTRODUCTION OF THE PRINCE HALL AFFILIATION

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

We have our Deputy for Prince Hall Affiliation here. Brethren, it is my honor and pleasure to present to you Illustrious Brother Melvin Frierson, 33°, Deputy for Illinois, Prince Hall Affiliation. I have been to many of the Prince Hall Council of Deliberations. I think Melvin has been able to attend all of our since he has been Deputy. Again, we have a wonderful working relationship. Melvin, I do appreciate your coming and being with us today. I am going to call on you in a few minutes for a few words. While we have Charley up here, we will take care of that part.

At this time, Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C, stepped out from the podium to present an honorary Distinguished Service Award to Illustrious Brother Charles Carter, 33°, PHA. The presentation was not picked up on the sound system.



Presentation of an honorary ICOD Distiguhed Service awarded from Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33° to Ill.: Charles Carter, 33°, PHA

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

Brethren, I know that sometimes these stretch out. I feel that the guests that we introduce are important and we should introduce them. So I see some more Active Members of Prince Hall? Would all the Prince Hall Scottish Rite members please stand. Brethren, we welcome you and certainly thank you for taking your time to be here with us today and to be a part of our Council of Deliberation. Please stay on your feet Ernest. We got to play golf with a couple of the guys yesterday. We did not actually play with them, they kept hitting into us for some reason.

I left standing S.P. Earnest Young III, 32°, Commander-in-Chief of Western Consistory #28, Valley of Chicago, PHA. Ernest it is a pleasure having you here and your taking time to be with us today. Let's give him a big hand brethren.

It is now my pleasure to introduce Brother Millard V. Driskell, Deputy Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, State of Illinois and its Jurisdiction. Millard is also Minister of State for the Illinois Council of Deliberation, PHA. Millard it is a pleasure to have you here today. Millard played golf with us yesterday. We have had a lot of great dealings together and will have many more in the future as Grand Lodge and Scottish Rite Council of Deliberation officers. I meant to have you stay in the East, but there are not enough seats. I will call on you later to speak. Thank you again for being here. Let's give him a big welcome. He will become Grand Master of Prince Hall in little over a two months. All our grand officers look forward to working with him in the future.

INTRODUCTION OF THE OFFICERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF ILLINOIS, A.F. & A.M.

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

It is now my pleasure and honor to present to you the grand officers of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois. Brethren, if you will just line up the best way. It is now my honor and pleasure to present to you, Illustrious Brother Noel C. Dicks, 33°, Past Grand Master; Illustrious Brother David W. Miller, 33°, Past Grand Master; Illustrious Brother Franklin E. Cline, 33°, Grand Secretary; Illustrious Brother Gregory L. Clark, my Deputy's Representative for Bloomington and also our Junior Grand Warden; Illustrious Brother Tony R. Cracco, 33°, Senior Grand Warden; and Illustrious Brother Barry D. Weer, 33°, Deputy Grand Master. Lets give these brethren a big hand. Thank you brethren, please have a seat. This is a great bunch of guys for me to work with. It is also a very active group, not only in Grand Lodge, but also in Scottish Rite. Four Past Commander-in-Chiefs, everyone of them has been a presiding officer and very active in Scottish Rite. Thank you fore being here.

INTRODUCTION OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

Illustrious Brother Swaney, if you will present our Most Worshipful Grand Master.

(Three gavels were sounded)

Brethren, it is my honor to introduce to you, Brother Terry L. Seward, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois. Join me in according him the Grand Honors taking your time from the east. Together brethren.

(Grand Honors were given)

Illustrious Brother Seward, we welcome you. I never want to shut off recognition of someone. If they want to applaud, then let them applaud. Please be seated brethren. Terry, we are so glad you could be with us today. The Grand Master is going to be in the traveling mode for next week or so, as he always is. I do have a couple of stories to tell, but I am going to ask you to say a few words in a few minutes. Please have a seat next to our Illustrious Sovereign Grand Commander.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

The first order of business is the approve the 2011 Proceedings. Brethren, we can either have Brother Klemm read those to you, they have been pre-issued. So everyone should have had a chance to review them.

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

Illustrious Deputy, I move acceptance of the Proceedings of the last session of the Illinois Council of Deliberation be adopted as distributed.

Seconded and Passed.

RESPONSE OF THE ILLUSTRIOUS DEPUTY OF ILLINOIS PRINCE HALL AFFILIATION

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

Illustrious Brother Frierson, it is again my pleasure to welcome you to our Illinois Council of Deliberation and allow the opportunity to say a few words to our group here.

Ill.: Melvin Frierson, 33°, Deputy for Illinois, Prince Hall Affiliation:

I will keep it short. I have been accused of being kind of long winded when I'm here. I am going to fool some of you and keep it short.



*Ill.: Melvin Frierson, MSA, 33°, Deputy,
Illinois Council of Deliberation, PHA.*

Sovereign Grand Commander McNaughton, to the Illustrious Deputy, to the Grand Master and all of you, I bring you greetings from our Sovereign Grand Inspector General Solomon Wallace, 33°, who presides for the United Supreme Council, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Prince Hall Affiliation, Northern Jurisdiction, United States of America, Incorporated. I bring you greetings from the Illinois Council of Deliberation of Prince Hall Masons. I would like to introduce the delegation. Some of them are Sovereigns and Active members of the United Supreme Council. I will start with

Sovereign Grand Inspector General Homer Walton; Sovereign Grand Inspector General Charles Stewart, Sovereign Grand Inspector General Depressie Drew; you have already met the Commander-in-Chief of Western Consistory, No. 28; Sovereign Grand Inspector General Magnus Bernie; Sovereign Grand Inspector General Lafayette Gadlin, Sovereign Grand Inspector General Chuck Hartie; Sovereign Grand Inspector General Milton Jackson; and you have already met our Deputy Grand Master, Sovereign Grand Inspector General Millard V. Driskell. We wanted to be here this year if for nothing else to see your beautiful building. We heard a lot about it and wanted to come see it. We wanted to bring some color in here. Now, with that being said, I am going to take my seat. Prior to doing that, Illustrious Deputy will you come forward. We authorized this year a history book. A book of our history along with the Deputies from Illinois who have served from 1913 to 2008, the year I became Deputy. Your Deputy has been such an inspiration to us and mentor, that a soon as it comes off the press we should present him with one of these history books. They are on sale if any of you brethren are interested. See brother Drew back there, he is in the regalia business and will sell you one of these books. I think they are \$15.95 or \$14.95 or something like that. This particular one is inscribed with how we truly feel. I inscribed this one myself and this is my true feelings for the particular gentleman. It says, "To Sovereign Grand Inspector General Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, Deputy for Illinois, you have proven to be a friend and brother to all mankind. A man, whom we as Prince Hall Scottish Rite Masons hold in high esteem and adoration for your unwavering recognition of Prince Hall Freemasonry." I signed it: Sovereign Grand Inspector General Melvin Frierson, MSA, 33°, Deputy for Illinois, PHA. Illustrious Deputy, we want to present you with this. You are the first person to get one.

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

Melvin, thank you very much. Brother Milt Jackson celebrated his sixtieth birthday a couple of days ago. We certainly want to wish you a happy birthday. We look forward to continue to work with you as well, Milt.

WELCOME BY THE HOST VALLEY CHICAGO

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

At this time I will call on Illustrious Brother Daryl W. Selock, MSA, 33°, Commander-in-Chief of the Valley of Chicago. Illustrious Brother, first off, we want to thank you for hosting this Illinois Council of Deliberation in this beautiful building and for all the efforts that you and the staff of the Valley of Chicago have done to host this event. I offer you the opportunity to welcome the brethren.

Ill.: Daryl W. Selock, MSA, 33°, C-in-C of the Valley of Chicago:

Good afternoon. On behalf of the roughly 4,000 members of the Valley, I welcome you to Bloomingdale, Illinois the new headquarters for the Valley of Chicago. We are very proud of this facility. A lot of work has gone into the design



Ill.: Daryl W. Selock, MSA, 33°, C-n-C for the Valley of Chicago.

and construction the new building. We hope that you have an opportunity to look around and view many of the art and artifacts that we have throughout the building. Please visit our library and museum. If there is anything our officers can do to may your stay more enjoyable, please, see them, they will be more than happy to accommodate.

I would like to congratulate all the recipients of the Meritorious Service Award, who will receive that this evening. Again, welcome to the Valley of Chicago and enjoy your stay.

ADDRESS OF THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

Next on my agenda is the Report of the Deputy. It is preprinted, but I'm afraid that some of you couldn't read so I'd like to read it to you. No, it is not necessary. I do however, have a few comments about my report.

First off, this building that the Valley of Chicago has constructed which is hosting us today. We sincerely thank the Valley of Chicago. To their committee that put the design of this building together, this is one of the gem stones of the Supreme Council as far as buildings. We have buildings that are one hundred years old that are really magnificent buildings. This being the newest building in our Supreme Council is a tribute to the Valley of Chicago and the efforts of those who were involved in creating the funds and wisely using the funds to build this building We do thank the Valley of Chicago for that.



*Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°,
Commander in Chief, Illinois
Council of Deliberation*

In early March, the Illinois Council of Deliberation had our training session and our leadership session. I want to publically acknowledge the two brethren that led the major part of the seminar. That was Mike Shirely and Mike Swaney. For those of you that could not be at that session, they did a wonderful job providing some leadership training for some 120 of our officers. I want to publically acknowledge them for that. Also, Illustrious Brother Dale Kemp, 33°, Deputy for Indiana came over and made a presentation to our group. I certainly thank Dale for that.

To each of you officers for the Illinois Valleys, I want to sincerely thank you for all of your efforts for your Valley, for Scottish Rite and the Illinois Council of Deliberation. It is awful easy for anyone to look out over an operation of a Valley, and say that is pretty cut and dried, but it always involves a lot more than anyone can see from the outside. I thank you from the Illinois Council of Deliberation for all your efforts and everything you have done to support your Valley and continue to do to support your Valley.

Last year we presented, the Illinois Scottish Rite Scholarship Fund present- ed \$375,000 worth of scholarships to students in the State of Illinois. Three hun- dred seventy five thousand dollars. That is a lot of scholarships. It is sort of like the Grand Lodge, we are able to do quite a lot of things with a chunk of money. We have done very little recently to create that money. We have to look back at those past generations of Masons who have been so generous to our charity funds. Think about it, if we set a goal to go out and raise \$375,000 to give away tomorrow, how difficult that would be. We certainly can not forget our generous brothers and the things they have done. We have one benefactor to the fund this year. As far as I have been able to find out, he has not been active in any part of the fraternity and he left us some \$800,000 for our scholarship fund. Someone, one of us, certainly has made an impression on him on how good a fraternity we are. My question to you is, are we making the same impression on someone? We have to think about that, and about our actions all the time. We sit in a meet- ing, and maybe sit next to somebody and say a few words to him. Do we really make him feel like the most important person in that group. In that Scottish Rite, in that lodge or whatever it is. If we are not, then we are not doing the job we should be doing. I assure you, that every member we have is the most impor- tant person at that time. If we don't make him feel that way and I'm not looking for his money, he is not going to have a warm attitude towards this fraternity.

NECROLOGY

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

At this time I will call on Illustrious Brother Al Laird, MSA, 33° for the Necrology. Brethren as stated in our funeral ritual, at the moment we are born, we also begin to die. This year again, we have lost many, many of our good brethren and brother Laird will give us the report.

Ill.: P. Alvin Laird, MSA, 33°, Prior:

Most Worshipful Grand Master; Illustrious Sovereign Grand Commander, Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Illustrious Active Members of the Supreme Council, Officers, visiting delegation of the Prince Hall Affiliation, and members of the Illinois Council of Deliberation:

It is an honor to serve the Illinois Council of Deliberation and I am grateful for that honor. Brethren, our task at this time is to praise God and witness to our faith as we celebrate the lives of those whom we will name later. We acknowl- edge our human loss and grief. May God grant us grace that we in pain, we may find comfort; in sorrow, hope; in death, resurrection. Please rise, as you are able for prayer.

Merciful heavenly father, we praise you for those who have finished their course in faith, having put down their working tools, now rest from their labor.

We praise you for our twenty named brothers whom you have graciously wel- comed into your presence. To them, grant your peace. Let perpetual light shine upon them. May your presence lead us through our year and bring us with them

to that house not made with hands, but eternal in heavens. We pray in your holy name. Amen. Please be seated

There is some disagreement about the authorship of the book of Psalms and the book of Ecclesiastes. For our purposes, we will attribute them to King Solomon. The first verse of the 23rd Psalm says: "Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for you are with me, thy rod and staff, they comfort me." The shepherds' rod was a club or a whip he used to beat predators and protect the sheep from harm. The staff was a long pole with a hook on the end that we all know as a shepherds' crook that the shepherd used in guiding the sheep back on the path the other sheep were following to good grass and water. That great light in Masonry acts as a shepherds' crook or staff to guide and direct us on our path into eternal bliss. In verse five it says: "You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies." The enemies are Satan and his followers. If we follow God, he will grant us immeasurable eternal blessings while Satan and his followers stand by impotent. We have God's rod to protect us from our satanic enemies and God's staff to guide on our way. We can say, you can kill my body, but what more can you do to me? My soul belongs to God. Our Hope is in God.

The entire twelfth chapter in the Book of Ecclesiastes is to be read during the Feast of Succoth. I am sure that you will be disappointed that I will ready only verses one, two and four of Chapter three. "For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter unto heaven; a time to be born, and a time to die; a time



Ill. : P. Alvin Laird, MSA, 33° gives the prayer for deceased Brethren.

to plant and a time to uproot; a time to weep and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance." It is time for us to reverently remember our departed brethren and honor them. Each of us will face the time to die as did our departed brethren. We are confident that they are laughing and dancing in heaven right now. May we go forth joyously into the new life you have prepared for us with eager anticipation of that which awaits us.

Please rise as you are able, for the reading of the names of our recently departed brethren.

Valley Name	Date of Death	Member Name
Bloomington	October 20, 2011	Viggo Jorgensen Frost, MSA
	October 27, 2011	David Arthur Patterson, MSA
Chicago	December 20, 2011	Severo Kintana Guerrero, Jr., MSA
	October 7, 2011	Earl Raymond Nelson, MSA
	May 11, 2011	Floyd James Snyder, 33°
	March 5, 2011	Harold James Spelman, MSA
Freeport	August 20, 2011	Robert Clifton Bast, MSA, 33°
	February 9, 2012	John Henry Harris, MSA
	March 21, 2012	Thomas Edward Wingert, 33°

Valley Name	Date of Death	Member Name
Moline	March 17, 2012	Charles Huston Willey, 33°
Peoria	August 6, 2011 January 24, 2012	Marion Jacob Goeken, MSA Charles Ray Smith, MSA
Quincy	September 24, 2011 October 3, 2011 January, 25, 2012	Wilbur T. Hetzler, MSA, 33° Donald Ray Moore, MSA John Cornelius Irwin, MSA, 33°
Southern Illinois	November 4, 2011 September 30, 2011 March 8, 2012 January 20, 2012	Marshall Lee Hartmann, 33° Ronald Wayne Miller, MSA, 33° Richard Compton Townsend, MSA, 33° William Raymond Witham, MSA, 33°
Springfield	March 21, 2012	Roger Owen Meridith, 33°

Gracious heavenly father, into your hands we commend your servants. We beseech you to acknowledge those sheep of your own flock, those lambs of your own field. Receive each and everyone of them into your arms of mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints of life. Amen. Please be seated.

Again, let me express my gratitude of the honor of being allowed to do this duty.

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

Thank you Illustrious Brother Laird, we appreciate you efforts as well.

ADDRESS OF THE SOVEREIGN GRAND COMMANDER

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

At this time I will call upon the Sovereign Grand Commander to share with us. Illustrious Brother McNaughton if you will come over to the podium. It is my pleasure to have you here again. I turn this meeting over to you.

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

Grand Master, Deputy, Active Members, brethren all, it is certainly a pleasure to be with you this afternoon. I, like a few other people here today, I am a

little disorganized. I had an unfortunate experience on our travels to the Council of Deliberation. I was at the hospital visiting with a Masonic brother in Indiana. As I knelt on the floor with him, he passed away in my arms. I still have not gotten over that experience. He wrote me a note, please excuse me, I need a



moment, it says, "Please get up, your kneeling on my oxygen hose."

Those of you that have been around Supreme Council probably should know better than to fall for a serious story from yours truly. All I can tell you is that it kind of goes with the ICE concept of trying to have a good Masonic experience as we go forward.

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

I am tickled to be together with everybody today. Certainly, in this magnificent edifice that you have erected in the Valley of Chicago. You should all be very proud of your dedication and your service to the rest of the members by putting this together. To the Valley of Chicago you are to be commended for that. Certainly to all rest of the Freemasons of the great State of Illinois, you need to know if you are not already aware of it, and I always like to say this is that your Grand Lodge quite literally, stands heads above many of the rest of Grand Lodges throughout the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction and probably the rest of the United States. This is not a canned speech that I make at every kind of gathering like this. Why do I say that? Because, your Grand Lodge has not forgotten one of its primary purposes, which is to care for and look out for the members of the craft in the great State of Illinois. They have done a marvelous job. They need our support and congratulations. When you see them, know that they are there for you when times are difficult. When you need someone looking out for you, your Grand Lodge will be there supporting that. Certainly the Grand Master, the Past Grand Masters and Benny Grisham had done a marvelous job in that respect. Our hats are off to all of them. Thank you brethren.

I had really planned on one of those Hellfire and brimstone type of sermons today, but as warm as it is I think we will just cut it down to one more piece of recognition.

We are going to spend just a few moments talking about the Illinois Masonic Health Foundation. Is the representative here from there? Chuck Gambill, Chuck are you here? Chuck, please come up here for a minute. Charles, I lied again. Lord, I apologize for that. I really did not want to talk about the Illinois Masonic Health Foundation, although, that is part of what this young man represents. I just wanted to spend a moment this afternoon talking about magnificent Freemason you have been to the State of Illinois and how you have presented the organization and its ideals. Certainly, all that you have done for our Scottish Rite and the Supreme Council and the examples that you have set for the rest of us to live up to. That having been said, it is my singular privilege and honor this afternoon to make a special presentation to Chuck. Agreeable to Article 902 of our Constitutions, which simply mentions the award of the Medal for Distinguished Service to this worthy brother. Brethren, Ill.: Charles F. Gambill, 33°, recipient of the Sovereign Grand Commander's Medal for Distinguished Service.



Ill.: John William McNaughton, 33° Sovereign Grand Commander presenting the Sovereign Grand Commander's Medal for Distinguished Service to Ill.: Charles F. Gambill, 33°

Charles, I'll put that back in the box for you. I'm going to leave it right here so you can step up the microphone and share a few words with us.

Ill.: Charles F. Gambill, 33°, Recipient of the Sovereign Grand Commanders Medal for Distinguished Service:

Thank you, and you can understand that I am totally flabbergasted. Believe me, that I had no idea that something like this was in my future. But, I can truly tell you that I am thankful. I want to tell you where our foundation had its birth. When the Illinois Masonic Hospital was part of the acquisition of the Advocate Health Care System, which is a leading health care system in this country, part of that was that there was an endowment fund for the hospital of fifty million dollars. Advocate created an additional fifty million dollars to add to the endowment and established the Illinois Masonic Health Foundation. I might say that over the years we have supported through the income of that foundation a variety of Masonic entities. Close to twenty five Masonic various entities we have supported in funds. That kind of record I am very proud of. The other thing is that we have supported the Scottish Rite to the tune of about a million dollars to add to the ability to be able to create and maintain the Scottish Rite and the foundation. I would like to thank all of you that are here right now. I'd like to ask anybody that if we have any of our Masonic Family Health Directors here? *(they stood in the audience)* They are people that work very closely with the foundation. Again, I would like to thank you. This medal will be a part of me, but is also a part of everybody in our Scottish Rite. Thank you again.



Ill.: Charles F. Gambill, 33°, recipient of the SGC's Medal for Distinguished Service

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

Thank you Chuck for your kindness, your generosity, your dedication to the fraternity and to your country and community as well. It is most appreciated and we thank the Illinois Masonic Health Foundation for all that you have done for each other and the world at large.

Again brethren, it is good to be with you this afternoon, I wish you all well, and I look forward to being with you the rest of the day, thank you.

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

Again, Illustrious Commander, we thank you for being here and taking the time to with us today at our Illinois Council of Deliberation.

PRESENTATION ON VIDEO DEGREES

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

At this time, I am going to call upon Illustrious Brother James L. Tungate, 33°, and we will have a presentation on the video degrees that he has been heavily involved in producing. Jim really deserves accolades from all of us and Supreme Council for his efforts. He produced the 4°, directed I guess, I'm not into all these technical terms. Now, he has done two other degrees in video. It takes a lot of time and coordination with the filming crew and the actors and everything. We have a short preview of the degrees and some pictures which Jim will explain. Again Jim, we thank you for all your efforts. We know you spent a lot of time with it.

Ill.: James L. Tungate, 33°, Grand Secretary General:

What I have the privilege of showing you are something called captures. That is for the 22° and 24°. We have taken pieces of the actual video to show you a little bit of what went on. You will remember that the 22° is called Prince of Libanus and is about woodsmen. *(photo is displayed)* These are the woods where this was filmed on location and the woodsmen that are there. *(more photos are displayed)*. This is not the musical version which would be great relief to most of you. You don't want these guys singing. This is a great degree because it emphasizes the value of hard work and Masonic life. You will be surprised to hear that the members of this crew, almost all of them are under the age of thirty, asked me as we were producing this, if this was a new concept. They thought it was subversive that we were emphasizing hard work as a Masonic value. I can assure you that it is not a new idea. Let's take a look at the promo. The promo will be on our website and social media.



*Ill.: James L. Tungate, 33°,
Grand Secretary General*

(Promo for the 22° is shown)

Ill.: James L. Tungate, 33°, Grand Secretary General:

Please hold your applause to the end. Let me now show you some of the captures which come from the 24°. You will remember that the 24° is divided into three pieces that starts in the lodge room in Connecticut where a brother is being voted on to join who is an American indian. This was filmed on location in a colonial lodge room in Cincinnati. This is was filmed on a farm. I want you to look closely and see if you can see any of water moccasins in that pond. We had quite a time between the snakes, the ticks and some of the other hazards which

were there. This part of the capture of scene 2 and we begin with the indians on location. There is Andy Bender for those of you from the Valley of Bloomington, is Andy here? Stand up Andy. Let's give Andy a round of applause. He did a great job in this. There he is after being captured by the indians. He was allowed to sit at their camp fire and learn of their ways and learn of their beliefs in a Supreme Being. That is one of the main parts of this that the American indians believed in a Supreme Being and were therefore not disqualified from becoming Masons. I will comment that this actor happens to be the number one disc jockey in Cincinnati. WOLF, believe it or not. He is quite an actor. That is the Brother of the Forest and will now take a look at the promo.

(Promo for the 24° is shown)

Ill.: James L. Tungate, 33°, Grand Secretary General:

Maybe we can have the Sovereign Grand Commander come over and say a few words about the videos. The concept is that as he will tell you that no one is forced to use videos as no one is forced to use the 4°. This is another tool which is going to be available and I think you are going to be very happy with how these look.

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

Thanks Jim. One of the concepts that we developed along the rough and rugged road of evolution of the Scottish Rite as it exists in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction is how do we convey the message of those two particular degrees which are seldom portrayed. Our membership issues, and contraction of players it is becoming more difficult throughout the jurisdiction to witness some of these degrees. Jim and I for the last two or three years have been talking about this, what we could do to enable everybody to remember the lessons of what these degrees contain. As a result, we have come up with this. I say we, but my part in this was figuring out how were going to pay for it. Jim does all the work. Once we get these things done, you will find out, particularly younger people will enjoy very much watching these lessons. As Jim stated, please understand, that if your Valley has the horsepower to do this work there is no mandate that you must watch one of those. I don't want anyone to take that the wrong way. It is another tool we have in putting on the lessons of the Scottish Rite in a very interesting sort of way. The 24° in particular, I would urge everyone to watch that particular degree. We can do some things through the medium of modern video that you won't see portrayed in the degree itself. It has to do with some of the more notable American Indian chiefs leaders who happen to belong to the Masonic fraternity. In that degree, you will see the compass and square proudly displayed in some of the history in who some of the players were and their length of service to the fraternity. It is very educational and we think very additional and goes back to fact that once a Freemason, always a Freemason. I think you will find both of them very interesting. Again it is an opportunity to use the lessons of those degrees as you see fit. You don't have to use it, but I think you will find it a very inspiring type of experience for all the members of your Valley. We look forward to distribution throughout the jurisdiction and a positive message and feedback from the membership. Thank you brethren.

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

Thank you Commander. Jim, thank you again for the presentation and giving us a little insight. I think that is the first time that those promos have been shown to any group. We are very fortunate to see those and they look like they are very well done degrees.

APPROVAL OF PREPRINTED COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

Preprinted reports.

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

I move that the reports in the Preliminary Reports in the packet be accepted as written.

Seconded and Passed.

Editor's Note, these reports are printed in full starting on page 38.

PLACE OF MEETING IN 2013

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

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, I would like to announce that next year's meeting of the Illinois Council of Deliberation will be held in the City of Bloomington, Illinois on Saturday, June 29, 2013.

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

Very good, and our host Valley will be?

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

Valley of Bloomington

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

I remind all the brethren, that while I am thinking of it that session is one that the Valley of Bloomington has changed their reunion date to accommodate us and some special degrees because of our two hundredth anniversary. Every Valley leader needs to be thinking about assisting in that. We have not worked out all the details yet. We do plan on meeting at the Bloomington Center for the Performing Arts, the big stage which used to be the Valley of Bloomington. We can either put on degrees from other Valleys in Bloomington, or we can do combined degrees. A committee has been formed, but no decision has been made of what exactly we are going to do. As I said, that will be the two hundredth anniversary of our Supreme Council. We want that to be a big celebration.

BRIEF HISTORY OF PRINCE HALL FREEMASONRY

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

Illustrious Brother Driskell if I can call on you. I have asked Brother Driskell to give us a little history on Prince Hall Masonry. I'm not sure how coordinated we are going to be on the slides. He has been gracious enough to create a little Power Point presentation and give a little history on Prince Hall. Prince Hall has been around in Illinois since I think 1867 if I got the year right. Almost as long as A.F. & A.M. as when we were first established in 1820 with the present Grand Lodge being established in 1840. So, we don't have that many years on Prince Hall. They have as much history as we do and it is a proud history they have. I'll try to run the slides from over at the table.

Ill.: Millard V. Driskell, 33°, Deputy Grand Master, MWPHGL of IL:

Good afternoon. My name is Right Worshipful Millard V. Driskell, I am the Deputy Grand Master. First of all, to the Grand Master, Sovereign Grand Commander, to the Deputy, and to my Deputy, Melvin Friersen; good afternoon. I would like to bring you greetings and solicitations from the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, State of Illinois, where the Honorable Otis W. Cromartie, Sr. who presides as Grand Master.



*Ill.: Millard V. Driskell, 33°,
Deputy Grand Master, PHA*

I have put together a small Power Point Presentation. I am not going to read everything for you. These are historical documented facts regarding Prince Hall. A lot of the information has been missing. At our last reunion, for Prince Hall at African Lodge No. 459, in Cambridge, Massachusetts, they have just unearthed the first ritual that Prince Hall used. So, along with our Constitution and Charter from England, we do have authenticated documents from that.

WHO WAS PRINCE HALL? Prince Hall was a man of color. We have to remember what time we are dealing with in the 1700's and slavery was a big issue. We have a lot of Masonic historians which still to this date do not know the exact date, place and time of the birth of Prince Hall. There are things we do know. At one time, there were twenty Prince Halls on the east coast. Many early accounts are uncorroborated accounts of his life as a free man. He was a patriot. He fought at Bunker Hill which we call Breed's Hill. He was an abolitionist. He worked for the Organization for Free African Society to free slaves. He was an educator. He turned his own home into one of the first schools for black children. He was also the first African American Freemason.

MASONIC ORIGINS: On March 6, 1775, Prince Hall was made a Master Mason in Irish Constitution Military Lodge 441 along with 14 other free African Americans. After being denied recognition by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, these fifteen African Americans sought a documented means to practice Freemasonry under their own volition in America. On March 2, 1784

they applied for and obtained a warrant of charter. On September 20, 1784 the charter was granted for African Lodge 459 of Boston. On April 29, 1787 the charter was delivered to Prince Hall by Captain James Scott who was the son-in-law of James Hancock. On May 6, 1787, African Lodge 459 was organized. January 27, 1791, Prince Hall was made a Provincial Grand Master by His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

AFRICAN LODGE CHARTER: This is African Lodge's charter was partially burned. A brother went into the building on fire, risking his own life to bring out the only charter.

TRADITIONAL SEPARATION: The racial climate during the era was one of extreme flux due to the status of the American state of slavery. Slavery in Massachusetts had not been abolished until 1783; New Hampshire, 1783; Rhode Island and Connecticut gradual in 1784. The Fugitive Slaves Act in 1793 validated the assertion at the national level that slaves were property and guaranteed the slave owner the right to recovery. Slavery had not yet become a business. At this particular time in American history, slavery was more for comfort. New York and New Jersey had not started to abolish slavery until 1799 and 1803. Within this climate, racial tension remained at an all time high. Sentiments relative to African Americans carried into the mainstream of the Masonic Grand Lodge. If you can remember Albert Pike was one of the first Masonic historians who made that statement and yet he was one of the first one to take *Morals and Dogma* to a Scottish Rite Prince Hall Lodge. This led to a tradition of separation. Predominately African American Jurisdiction in North America and within this climate that Prince Hall Freemasonry extended itself.

EARLY EXPANSION: Absalom Jones was the first black Methodist Preacher, Richard Allen founded the African American Episcopal Church. These brothers were mentors from Prince Hall. They were ministers and rode up and down the east coast. They would have church and immediately after have their Masonic meetings. This is how word got from Connecticut to Pennsylvania all the way to Florida. These ministers spread the word of God with one hand the Freemasonry with the other hand. Brother Jones and Allen received their degrees in Boston. They established a branch of African Lodge 459 in Philadelphia, the home base of the Free African Society. A third branch of African Lodge was established on Providence, Rhode Island. With each branch established a separate lodge in a distinct vicinity a foundation was erected for the formation of African Grand Lodge.

AFRICAN GRAND LODGE: The death of Prince Hall on December 4, 1807 left a void in the African Masonic ranks. It was aptly filled by his successor Grand Master Nero Prince. African American Russian Prince Jew organized the three lodges, Boston, Philadelphia and Rhode Island into the Grand Lodge in 1808. By the hands of his successor Grand Master George Middleton, African Grand Lodge, later Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Massachusetts was sound as an independent Grand Lodge and renumbered its three lodges. African Lodge 459 of Boston was number one, African Lodge 459 of Philadelphia was African Lodge number two, and African Lodge 459 of Providence became Hiram Lodge number three.

DEMISE OF AMITY: The War of 1812 between America and England caused much strife in the ranks again. The subsequent merger of the Ancient and Premier Grand Lodges into the United Grand Lodge of England in 1813

also resulted in the loss of amity between England and several American Lodges. An attempt to restore amity fell short. The Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Massachusetts formally declared its independence in 1827. Despite the separation, Prince Hall Freemason continued to expand across America. Establishing lodges in the following areas by 1845. Additional lodges in Massachusetts and New York in 1812, District of Columbia and Maryland in 1825, Delaware in 1838, New Jersey, 1845. The formation of Grand Lodges for each state prompted the Masonic leadership to consider steps to insure amity between Prince Hall and the Masonic Jurisdiction.

NATIONAL BONDS: This goes through and tells different things like that following the pathway of expansion of the African Methodist Church, the underground railroad. Lodges were established in the Pennsylvania jurisdiction and in the State of Ohio. The State of Ohio becomes very important. By 1855 lodges had been established in Illinois, Louisiana, Mississippi, Florida and several other states laying the foundation for a strong national presence of Prince Hall Freemasonry in America.

ILLINOIS GRAND LODGE: The mother of Prince Hall Freemasonry in Illinois is the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Ohio who formed the following lodges in this state. This is where it becomes very personal for us. North Star Lodge No. 12 was formed in Chicago in 1851 and warranted in 1852; Griffin T. Watson Lodge No. 16 was formed in Alton and was warranted in 1856. Central Lodge No. 19 in Springfield and was warranted in 1857. A Masonic convention was held in Chicago on February 15, 1867 to form a Grand Lodge. MW Brother John Jones the Grand Master of Ohio petitioned the national Grand Lodge on their behalf. With affirmation received by Grand Master Jones, the first session was held in Springfield on May 6, 1867. Following the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, Ohio, Illinois withdrew from the National Grand Lodge in 1877 to stand as an independent Grand Lodge.

INCORPORATIONS/ADOPTIONS: These are different dates, incorporation time line, changing the name, incorporating, being reincorporated. Now on the right you see the timeline of the Grand concordant bodies. The Prince Hall Grand Chapter Holy Royal Arch Masons, 1880; Grand Commandery, 1882; The Grand Court of Jerico, 1882; The Eureka Grand Chapter, 1891; The Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, 1893; The Daughter of Isis, 1910; the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, 1913; Prince Hall Grand Guild, 1919; Illinois State Grand Assembly, 1973; Prince Hall Grand Council, Royal and Select, 1984; Levite H. Morris Ladies of the Circle of Perfection, 1992; John W. Thompson Priory, 1997; and KYCH, 2007.

BONDS OF RENEWAL: This goes back to the expansion and amity, however it has been a priority to the Prince Hall Grand Lodge to restore Masonic Prince Hall relationship with the mother Grand Lodge of all Freemasonry. As such, in 1988 the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Massachusetts sought to repair the bonds with the United Grand Lodge of England which had been broken in the early 1880s by seeking a restoration of amity with the mother Grand Lodge.

The first attempt was in 1988. The second attempt was in 1992. The third attempt was January 18, 1993. We have something at the bottom, I hope it is on the next slide. Due to recognition of Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Massachusetts,

the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Illinois obtained amity with the United Grand Lodge of England in 1996. Its lineage could be traced to the mother Prince Hall Grand Lodge, African Prince Hall Grand Lodge 459, 1784; African Grand Lodge formed in 1808, Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania in 1815, Grand Lodge of Ohio in 1847 and the Grand Lodge of Illinois in 1867. A result of the restoration of amity with the mother Grand Lodge of Freemasonry provided the basis upon mutual recognition between the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, State of Illinois and the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, State of Illinois could be forged in 1998. It is upon this covenant that relationships between the concordant bodies of both Grand Lodges in Illinois continue to exist.

QUESTIONS: May we have the lights please. I may have gone through that a little quickly, but I did not want to take up a lot of time. The Deputy was kind enough to give me a few minutes to present to you some of the Prince Hall Masonic history. So, if you do have any questions, I will make myself available after the meeting is over. No questions, very good.

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

Illustrious Brother Driskell, we thank you for sharing that information. Many times we have organizations we know nothing about. I thought it was a good time to have that presentation.

ANNUAL MEETING ILLINOIS SCOTTISH RITE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

At this time I am going to recess the Illinois Council of Deliberation and call into session the Annual Meeting of the Illinois Scottish Rite Scholarship Fund Corporation. On the schedule, I believe the first of business is report of our Treasurer Charlie Smith. Charlie is not here with us as he had a family event to attend, so Illustrious Barry D. Weer, 33° will give the report.

Treasurer Report, ISRSF

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

Thank you Illustrious Commander-in-Chief. I am happy to report for Brother Smith. We began the year with assets in the fund of \$8,459,708 dollars. During the year we received contributions from various split institution trusts and general contributions of approximately \$54,000 dollars and one legacy gift from Brother Richard Smith's estate in the amount of \$861,759 dollars. Total contributions to the fund during the course of the year was \$915,876 dollars.

During the course of the year, we receive investment income, earnings, dividends and interest of \$215,000 plus. Capital Gains, these are real life gains from sales of investments \$331,000 plus. We have another one of the legacy gifts



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

which has been provided to the fund a number of years ago in which we operate 69 acres of farm land. I believe it is in Livingston County and received income from the farm of \$15,384 dollars. The total investment earnings during the course of the year of approximately \$562,000 dollars. Total income amounting to \$1,478,087.

Unfortunately, at the end of the year on March 31st, we had to make a fair market adjustment a negative \$83,134 dollars in the fund.

Certainly during the course of the year as you are aware it has been a very difficult investment environment. We are quite frankly quite pleased with our investment advisors that we have been able to show realized gains, interest and dividends and minimize the fair market adjustment.

During the course of the year, this is a little less than the \$375,000 the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief mentioned because during the course of the year sometimes scholarships are not fulfilled or there are graduations that occur so the full amount of monies are not necessary. So, we spent, \$356,750 dollars in investing in the lives of a number of individuals as they conducted the post secondary education.

During the course of the year we paid out fees to our investment fund managers of \$60,185 dollars and we had administrative or general expenses to the fund of only \$17,082 dollars. I think this is another credit to the wise activities of your Board of Directors in the prudent administration of the fund during the course of the year. Total expenses including the scholarships is \$434,000 dollars. A net profit for the year of \$960,936 dollars. We ended the year with \$9,420,645 dollars.

My brethren, during the course of the years since 2003 since brother Smith has been involved, you the Scottish Rite Masons of Illinois have provided \$3,365,942 dollars in actual awards of scholarships in the State of Illinois. I think you are to be congratulated.

This concludes my presentation. Illustrious Commander-in-Chief I move acceptance of the report.

Seconded and Passed.

REPORT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP CHAIRMAN

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

I thanked the Investment Committee earlier, again, I thank you for your efforts and wise investments that have been made on our behalf. I'm assuming that we are the only Council of Deliberation with that kind of endowment fund for Scottish Rite Scholarships in the Northern Jurisdiction.

Ill.: Roger F. Aukerman, MSA, 33°, Chairman, Scholarship Committee:

As members of Illinois Council of Deliberation you may want to know the facts. This year, on page 19 of the Preliminary Proceedings I have included the

facts. If fact it is the worksheet we use in our annual meeting to determine the distribution of our scholarships. I have included it here for your awareness. So you may know what is happening behind the scenes with the scholarships.

Ok, transitioning from facts to people, I have two illustrations to share. One is about the brotherhood within this committee and the second is an example of making a difference in the life of one family.



Ill.: Roger F. Aukerman, MSA, 33°, Scholarship Committee Report

Since becoming involved with this committee, I've noticed one valley that consistently was being granted only a few Health Care scholarships. While we average almost 40 per valley, this one valley has been receiving as few as 10. What's the problem some may ask; if that chairman doesn't work hard to collect applications, that leaves more for the other 8 valleys to gobble up. This year Valley chairman Timothy Vice, MSA of Moline stepped up his activities with the high schools. This in turn created a problem; other valleys were not looking for a decrease in available scholarships. Approaching this from the perspective of being part of a brotherhood, Valley chairmen came away with fewer scholarships this year and celebrated the hard work and success of one of our own. ... Masonic Principles in Action.

A committee member shared this second illustration. A phone call was received from a scholarship recipient. She called to share her story. By being awarded a Healthcare scholarship, she would be able to go to school in a nursing program. She paused and then went on to explain the day this chairman called her with the news of being a scholarship recipient, she had been struggling with the decision of going to college. Before receiving the call, both she and her husband had been on their knees in prayer about how they could make this happen. You see; her husband had lost his job and they were at the point where they had to make a decision as to whether they could afford to have her go to college instead of getting another job to help support the family.

I think you can see where this going, but there is more. Her husband became the "stay at home" dad and she went on to earn her Associates degree in Nursing. The hospital where she was working part time called her in and "had something to tell her." Being a prized student and worker, the hospital offered to pay for her next two years of college. She has since received her RN Bachelor's degree!

As this was shared with me, this Valley chairman pointed out it was not "I", but "we", the Scottish Rite Masons that helped this person in need make a dream attainable. ... So Mote It Be.

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

Secoded and Passed.

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

Roger, on behalf of the Illinois Council of Deliberation, I thank you and all the Scholarship Committee Chairmen for their efforts. We sit back in the Valleys

and see the celebration. We have the presentation ceremony for the students to receive the certificate. That takes us about an hour or whatever, and have no idea the amount of time that is put forth. I know that in my Valley that they looked at some 120 applications. Not just one person looked at them, but three of four people looked at them and judged them. A lot of effort goes in and we thank you.

NOMINATION OF DIRECTORS, ISRSF

Ill.:. Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

Illustrious Brother Robert E. Martin, Jr. 33° please approach the east.

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

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and brothers, 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, 2012–2015.

Ill.:. Thomas T. Johnson, 33°, Valley of Quincy, (1st term)

James W. Both, 32°, Valley of Danville, (2nd term)

Ill.:. Danny J. Leifel, 33°, Valley of Bloomington, (1st term)

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

Seconded and Passed.

Ill.:. Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

Thank you Bob, I will just mention to you those retiring from the Board this year, Ill.:. Jay Sade, MSA, 33° from the Valley of Quincy; and Ill.:. Stanley P. Boyd, 33° from the Valley of Bloomington both having served two terms on the board. Ill.:. Richard A. Yena, 33°, from the Valley of Chicago has retired from the A. Colville Wilson Scholarship Committee after many years of service.

RECONVENING OF THE ILLINOIS COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION

Ill.:. Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

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.

COMMENTS ON MEMBERSHIP

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

I have a couple of slides I would like to share with you. I have to move over the other table, but I will talk about them first.

The first will reflect the number of new members each Valley has taken in. I think it is good information for all of us to look at. I will do that one first.

Based Upon Annual Returns of 1998-2011

No	Valley Name	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	% change over previous year	2010 Membership	2011 Membership	2010 % change in Membership
Illinois																			
0094	Plainfield	27	30	43	56	10	58	12	35	17	23	19	16	8	6	-49.50%	1,422	1,372	-3.54%
0210	Chicago	101	140	180	291	77	143	320	88	63	108	144	120	174	115	22.41%	1,107	1,078	-2.59%
0290	Lansing	200	93	140	36	43	155	90	40	34	52	68	42	21	67	21.37%	3,252	3,085	-5.07%
0330	Freeport	29	26	11	31	21	33	94	10	29	30	76	32	29	29	96.00%	1,614	1,533	-5.02%
0338	Madison	17	26	22	14	19	33	15	10	9	8	8	26	10	11	10.00%	999	950	-4.80%
0354	Peoria	33	50	23	27	8	64	31	14	15	12	10	17	27	41	91.85%	1,875	1,791	-4.48%
0325	Quincy	28	16	32	22	6	31	25	8	30	12	12	20	19	15	31.08%	969	918	-5.17%
0252	Southem Illinois	102	75	91	26	42	114	100	20	01	30	37	20	94	85	9.57%	5,178	5,408	4.02%
0390	Springfield IL	90	51	50	15	91	119	99	23	31	15	16	57	10	47	17.30%	1,809	1,813	0.22%
Totals		754	510	630	212	320	790	810	232	300	309	309	300	450	400	0.00%	10,544	10,020	-4.95%

It is our history of new candidates or new members that we have taken into our various Valleys. If you look at the bottom you can see a couple of peaks. I see 810 in 1998 and 754 in 1998. The ones which are more relevant to us today are the last three years. Lee made them balance it during his final two years, 456 and 456. He said he did not want it any different than that. That is what he did. I told them we might want to adjust it a bit, so we lost two. You can see how consistent we have been. I'm certainly not saying that is good. You can see a 232, 312, we had a lot of years which were worse. Look across at your own Valley and see what you have done.

Any of us that have ever worked on a membership committee know there is nothing easy about working membership in our Scottish Rite or in our lodges. It is the same game wherever you are at. First off, you have to have a value product. We are working on that. I do know, that we are not there yet. We don't have the product that is valued by prospective members. We are working on that. We are working on that in Grand Lodge quite frankly. We have the same problem. Until we all get it together and we show that we are the fraternity that we started out to be, and desire to be, we have an uphill battle with membership.

This particular slide is one that if you really look at it and analyze it, it scares you for our future. Over if the far right hand column, is the percentage of loss in the last ten years. There are actually eleven years worth of figures up there. From this leadership group, we need to know what we have done, What has been our history and where we are headed. Each of the Valley lines you can see their annual percentage losses and their annual number loss. The frightening number is the number in the right hand column. You see the Valley of Chicago has done better than any of us. They have only lost, and say only as it is a huge number, the have lost 1,411 members which is 25% of their members in ten years. That seems frightening enough, if you look at the Valley of Freeport with 45% loss in ten years time. I'm not picking on Freeport; Peoria is 46%; my Valley, the Valley of Springfield is 39%; its not pretty. Its a common average of

about 40% if you take the Valley of Chicago and the Valley of Quincy out of this. That is our task to improve. If we have done that in ten years what are we going to do in ten more? What are we doing to retain those members that we have walking out the door? We have to come up with attractive programs, interesting programs. I have to tell you it is not all degrees, it is programs which people are interested in participating in. I just wanted to share those numbers with you. Membership Chairmen, if you would like that spread sheet, I can send it to you so you can look at it in more detail. The facts are there and we can not ignore them.

One more thing, I know from two or three years ago when I tried to show you a video with sound and it did not work, you must think I am challenged. I am, in more ways than one. We could not get the sound system to pick up off the computer. I do want to show you one more Power Point presentation which was developed as an incentive for our 200th anniversary. I am assuming that many of you have already seen it. I want to be sure that everybody sees it. We will play that now. I will probably have to put the microphone down on the computer. The sound may not be very good.

(Power Point presentation was played)

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

May we have the lights please. I hope that everyone has seen that before. I hope we show it to our members every time we have a different function going on in our Valley. There are incentives there for our members to go out to bring the brother Mason they have known forever into the Scottish Rite. I feel that the Supreme Council Membership Committee has done their share to create the incentives. The Sovereign Grand Commander has been gracious enough to allow us spend a little money to create those incentives. It is now up to our membership and us to get members and help celebrate our 200th anniversary.

When we were working on these incentives, it was unbelievable some of the conversations that we had at our membership meetings. We got the incentives down to where they were reasonable and still a good incentive. I can't participate, but I would like to go to Alaska again for fourteen days. Especially if someone else is paying for it. It was really a cheap trip Commander, we got a "buy" on it. So brethren, I hope you are sharing that presentation with your membership.

RESPONSE OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

I will now call on the Most Worshipful Grand Master to share a few words with us. Again, it is our pleasure to have you here today. I present you the gavel of the Illinois Council of Deliberation.

Ill.: Terry L. Seward, 33°, Most Worshipful Grand Master of A.F. & A.M. of the State of Illinois:

Illustrious Sovereign Grand Commander, Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, and most importantly, brethren all, I would like to start by having everyone that is a Grand Lodge officer or an appointed Grand Lodge officer to stand. Now, I would all those who are a committee member to stand. Now, I would anyone who is a past Grand Lodge officer or appointed Grand Lodge officer to stand. Any past committee members to stand. Now any Master Masons stand. The point is that we are all part of our Grand Lodge. Go ahead and have a seat brethren.

There were three members of the Grand Lodge that were not introduced with their titles. Most Worshipful Brother Benny L. Grisham who we all know as a Past Grand Master and one of the pillars of our fraternity. We have Most Worshipful Brother Larry Ingles who is also a Past Grand Master. Last, but not least, we have Most Worshipful Brother Richard Swaney a Past Grand Master. I wanted to recognize them as Past Grand Masters. Each and everyone of them had some influence on myself and have had a lot of influence in our Grand Lodge and I appreciate that.



*Ill.: Terry L. Seward, 33°,
Most Worshipful Grand Master*

The point of the exercise of standing is that we are all Master Masons to begin with. Illustrious Commander-in-Chief mentioned in his report that we have talked a number of times. It is my firm belief that it is important for your and our Grand Lodge to assist the other bodies in Masonry. I firmly believe that if every man that joined the fraternity finds something that he likes about the fraternity or we do not get to keep them. If that something that he likes is being a Shriner I am absolutely tickled to death. If that something he likes is being a Royal Arch Mason I am absolutely tickled to death. If he is York Rite Mason I am absolutely tickled to death. If he is a Scottish Rite Mason I am absolutely tickled to death. My point is with that is that it does not matter if a man joins just to be a Shriner. We still have another Mason. So, to go along with the incentives, I would encourage each and every Scottish Rite Mason to go out and get a new Master Mason so that they can be a Scottish Rite Mason. It is fine with me. I am sure that it is fine with all our Grand Lodge officers. We want to support all the Masonic bodies we have, because if we lose even one, we lose a choice for a Mason to find something that he enjoys. Then we have the possibility of losing him, or not getting him in the first place. So, please, please take advantage of this opportunity as Scottish Rite Masons and put your name in the hat for the trip to Alaska. I fully intend to do that. Sovereign Grand Commander told me that I could, but it might be a little stinky if I were to win that.

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, I thank you for the invitation to be here. I have worked with Ben, Brother Grisham for a long time now. I think he is part of the reason I started down this journey. I will tell you that this man that you now have as Deputy is really someone we can all appreciate. Sometimes his ideas make me stop and want to think a while.

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

and then...

Ill.: Terry L. Seward, 33°, Most Worshipful Grand Master of A.F. & A.M. of the State of Illinois:

and then, part of the time I agree with him. Usually we end up thinking down the same path. Sometimes it takes me a little longer than him. I have grown to really appreciate Brother Grisham and his counsel and wisdom. We are very lucky to have him in this State of Illinois. Thank you brethren, thank you very much.

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

Most Worshipful I certainly thank you for those kind words. I shoot a lot of ideas out there, some of them I know are wild things. I sometimes think we need to look at wild things. We might say that won't work but maybe we could get close to doing that or something else.

I have a few words to say about the Most Worshipful Grand Master. As a Past Grand Master, and I think there are six of us in here, we all know what a cushy job that really is. He goes to the office about ten, puts his feet up, waits for his secretary or assistant to bring him some coffee. He does that after he has had about twelve hours sleep because he does not have any long nights. I'm wondering what he should be thinking about since he does not have to do anything. His assistant John is sitting over there, right John, it is just the way it goes. Then at 11:30, he goes and has his lunch, comes back about 2:00 or 2:30, again feet up, maybe naps a little bit, then at 4:00, he is ready to go home. He typically does not drive anywhere, a limo picks him up and hauls him around. He gets to take those cushy naps during the day when he not thinking about anything, most of the time. As I said, there are six of us here that can testify that we have all had that job. Even when he goes some place to visit, which is seldom, he has a limo driver to take him so he can sleep in both directions. Its a good job. If you ever get the chance you should take it and find out what it REALLY is.

I have had the pleasure to work with Most Worshipful Seward for I guess twenty or twenty five years. He attended the Ben Patton School in Springfield, Grand Lecturer's School, I had the pleasure of working with him there. He always remembers the bad stuff, I don't know why people always remember the bad things. He tells this story that I stepped in front of him and stopped him from walking when he was Sr. Deacon one time and looked him in the eye and said, "what the Hell do you think your doing?" He remembers that, I never remember anything like that.

It has been a pleasure. Again, thank you for taking the time to be here Grand Master.

**NOMINATION OF OFFICERS
ILLINOIS COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION
2012-2013**

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, 2nd Lt. Commander, Acting C-in-C:

Nominating Committee, again, Illustrious Brother Martin. We getting towards the end brethren.

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



*Ill.: Robert E. Martin, 33°,
Nominating Committee Report*

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 2012-2013, Illinois Council of Deliberation. As your name is call, please come to the east and line up for installation

- Ill .: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33° Commander-in-Chief
Springfield
- Ill .: James L. Tungate, 33° First Lieutenant Commander
Danville
- Ill .: John T. Phillips, 33° Second Lieutenant Commander
Chicago
- Ill .: Richard L. Swaney, 33° Minister of State
Southern Illinois
- Ill .: Norman R. Buecker, MSA, 33° Active Emeritus
Springfield
- Ill .: Robert W. LaSurs, MSA, 33° Active Emeritus
Southern Illinois
- Ill .: Phillip C. Kenney, MSA, 33° Active Emeritus
Peoria
- Ill .: Lawrence D. Inglis, 33° Active Emeritus
Chicago
- Ill .: Lee B. Lockwood, 33° Active Emeritus
Freeport
- Ill .: Loren I. Barnes, 33° Deputy Representative
Springfield
- Ill .: Gregory L. Clark, 33° Deputy Representative
Bloomington
- Ill .: G. Nick Graff, MSA, 33° Deputy Representative
Peoria
- Ill .: Kurt R. Grosse, 33° Deputy Representative
Southern Illinois
- Ill .: Jeffrey W. Miller, 33° Deputy Representative
Freeport
- Ill .: Robert L. Millikan, MSA, 33° Deputy Representative
Moline

Ill. ∴ Michael B. Myers, 33°	Deputy Representative
	Quincy
Ill. ∴ Robert T. Trefzger, 33°	Orator
	Bloomington
Ill. ∴ Randall R. Milone, 33°	Chancellor
	Southern Illinois
Ill. ∴ Marvin L. Selock, 33°	Treasurer
	Chicago
Ill. ∴ Gregory R. Klemm, MSA, 33°	Secretary
	Chicago
Ill. ∴ Pressly A. Laird, MSA, 33°	Prior
	Quincy
Ill. ∴ John W. Bracken, 33°	Hospitaler
	Freeport
Ill. ∴ Roger A. Carson, 33°	Engineer & Architect
	Freeport
Ill. ∴ Richard D. Hacker, MSA, 33°	Master of Ceremonies
	Moline
Ill. ∴ Brian L. Petice, 33°	Seneschal
	Danville
Ill. ∴ David E. Purdy, 33°	Standard Bearer
	Springfield
Ill. ∴ Earl F. Wys, 33°	Captain of The Guard
	Peoria
Ill. ∴ Steven F. Schott, 33°	Sentinel
	Quincy
Ill. ∴ Daryl W. Selock, MSA, 33°	Outer Guard
	Chicago

Respectfully Submitted

Robert E. Martin, Jr., 33°, Chairman

Roger F. Aukerman, MSA, 33° D. Michael Bradenburg, 33°
 Ahmad M "Andy" Hassan, 33° Richard A. Mendenhall, 33°

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, the members of the Nominating Committee present the Officers of the Illinois Council of Deliberation for the ensuing Scottish Rite Year. I move acceptance of this report.

Seconded and Passed.

Ill. ∴ Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

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

Installation ceremony was performed.

RECESS

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

Again, I thank you for all the work that you do, for your Valley, for the Council of Deliberation and for our Supreme Council.

If there is anything at all that I can do to assist you or any suggestions that you have about any of our operations, we are certainly open to suggestions and will listen. We will not necessarily implement all suggestions, but are certainly open to suggestions and will consider them. Brethren, I sincerely thank you for all your efforts.

Is there any further to bring before this Council of Deliberation? If not, I will ask our Grand Prior to give us a prayer please.

Ill.: P. Alvin Laird, MSA, 33°, Prior:

Please rise. May the road rise to meet you. May the wind be always at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face. May the rain fall soft upon your field. May you be in heaven an hour before the devil knows your dead. Amen.

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

Please be seated brethren. Again to our distinguished guests who have taken the time to be here with us, thank you. We hope to see you at our next one as well. To the Valley of Chicago we thank you for being our host. To our officers who have attended, thank you for taking the time to be here at this Council of Deliberation. Please take any information back and share with your brethren or other officers who are not here. If there is any information that we can furnish you that we have not, do not hesitate to ask. Again, if you will rise, we will close.

To order brethren: 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 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, and by virtue of the authority upon me conferred, I declare this Illinois Council of Deliberation one hundred forty-third convocation closed. (3:35 pm)

Thank you brethren again, hospitality will open at what time Greg?

Ill.: Gregory R. Klemm, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

The longer we wait, the more we will save on expenses.

Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, C-in-C:

Please be thrifty brethren. Thank you again.

Preprinted Reports

Approved as printed and not presented or not presented in full at the session

ADDRESS OF THE ILLUSTRIOUS COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

My Brethren, I welcome you to this 143rd Convocation of the Illinois Council of Deliberation. It is such a pleasure to see such a crowd on such a beautiful day and in so beautiful a facility as the new Valley of Chicago Scottish Rite Cathedral. I thank each of you for your attendance and for your service to our great fraternity. As each of you are fully aware, our Scottish Rite is in the midst of change. We are making necessary changes to be relevant to our Masonic fraternity, to society and more importantly to our membership. During the past year we here in Illinois have seen firsthand the change in attitude, if you will, of our Supreme Council. We of course still comply with the by-laws and constitution, but we are allowed to make choices and changes in many things that we do. We can modify the structure of our Valley management or we can keep it as it has been for several years that choice is left to our individual Valleys. We can confer degrees as we choose, not degrees which have been repeated and repeated over the years, but degrees which are more relevant to men of this era. Our degrees, either with a cast or in some cases by prerecorded videos with very talented actors from our fraternity, can be presented in Valleys remote areas as a convenience to our members and candidates.

It is the sincere intent of our Supreme Council that our Valleys not only work with and support our Craft Lodges but that Scottish Rite will provide Masonic enlightenment and exemplify to all the brotherhood and fraternalism among our members. As I stated above, we in Illinois, have been able to experience true brotherhood by the Supreme Council Almoners fund grants to the Masons in Southern Illinois during their time of need last spring. Grants were given to all Masons who had been flooded out of their homes, regardless of their membership in Scottish Rite. Our Supreme Council is providing much needed personal contact with our membership through the Birthday and Holiday card programs.

All in all our Supreme Council is striving to become a more member friendly fraternity, a fraternity that sincerely cares for its membership. You and I though, as leaders in our state, are necessarily a vital part of the process of creating a member valued organization. We have to adapt ourselves to this member friendly fraternity and show to the world what Scottish Rite was really meant to be, a true brotherhood, the fraternity that will become the fraternity of choice.

For me this is an interesting time in the life of our Scottish Rite, and a time that I have an opportunity to be a part of a change that will revitalize Scottish Rite and possibly the whole Masonic Fraternity. Are you ready and willing to be a part of the change?

Valley Officers

To each of the officers in the Illinois Valleys, I offer my sincere thanks for all of your expertise, time and efforts you provide to your Valley and the Scottish

Rite in Illinois. I know much of your effort goes unheralded, but it is appreciated by all of the Illinois Leadership. I beg your continued support of the Rite and of your Valley programs. We need everyone in our Valleys working toward common programs and goals. We are only at the beginning of a major turn to make Scottish Rite the Fraternity of Choice.

Necrology

Since June 15, 2011, 773 of our brothers were summoned by the Grand Architect of the Universe to their eternal refreshment in the paradise of God. 11 of those brethren were Honorary Members of our Supreme Council and 10 were Meritorious Service Award recipients.

Membership

During the past fiscal year, our 9 Illinois valleys initiated 512 new members. Although the number of new members has not shown any significant increase over the past year, there is an increase and a slight gain over the past year. We still fail to compensate for the loss of the 773 deaths of our brothers.

Most Valleys in Illinois are trying but struggling to implement an effective ambassador program. I am sure each one of them will say it is difficult to recruit the ambassadors. Ambassadors are an essential part of the every Valley's membership program. In many of the areas in our state that are remote from the Valley location we have been successful in recruiting new members by utilizing ICE and remote degrees, however many officers feel this is a burden on the Valleys.

Every Valley in Illinois has a membership chairman, who devotes many hours to the membership efforts in his Valley. I sincerely thank the membership Chairmen and their Valley teams for their devoted efforts in our behalf. I firmly believe that our Valley leadership, working with the membership Chairmen and their teams will turn the tide during the next year and bring us an even larger number of new members during the next year.

Brother H. Dale Rose, 32°, Membership Chairman for our Council, was recognized for first line signing sixteen petitions. He was presented the Illinois Eagle Award a certificate recognizing his efforts in signing the most petitions in the state.

Dyslexia Centers

The seven Dyslexia Centers in Illinois continue to provide a needed service to their communities. Valley officers working with their boards of directors have been able to supplement the funding needed for their operations. I commend the Boards of Directors and Valley Officers for their creativity and their continued efforts for the support and operation of these centers.

Illinois Scottish Rite Scholarship's

Due to the economics of the past four years and our steadfast practice of basing our scholarship grants on the performance of the past thirteen quarters, we

have granted \$375,000 for student scholarships this ensuing year. By continuing our fund performance based grants practice, the Illinois Scholarship Fund remains a stable fund. In addition to the scholarships granted from our fund, we granted \$32,800 in Abbott scholarships, \$27,000 in Grand Lodge scholarships, and \$6,000 in Wilson scholarships. A great deal of appreciation and thanks goes to our Investment Committee and our Fund Manager for prudent investments of the fund. Our Scholarship Committee continues to be tireless workers in the review/selection process of granting the scholarships. During the past year, we were most fortunate to have a benefactor who left us a portion of his estate valued at over \$1,000,000. We will be forever grateful to this Brother and all those who make donations of any size to our scholarship funds for their support of excellence through education.

Training Seminar

The Illinois Council of Deliberation held its annual officers training seminar on March 10, 2012 in Normal Illinois. 115 Valley officers attended the seminar, which was focused on membership recruitment & retention, leadership and ICE. Ill.: Gail Kemp, 33°, Deputy for Indiana, presented an exceptional program with the "Pickle" video aimed at membership enhancement. Illinois presenters, Michael Swaney and Michael Shirley, presented an excellent, informative leadership program based on the premise of the "Golden Circle." The attendees left the seminar with a renewed idea of providing our membership effective, relevant programs that fit their needs and expectations.

Valleys

During the past year I have had the opportunity to visit each of the nine Valleys in our state. During these visits I have been privileged to view many degrees conferred by some of the most talented ritualists in our fraternity. I have also learned that the focus of many of our Valleys is still on the perfection of degrees and ritual as their priority and secondly on the fraternal aspects of the Valley. Although changing this thought process is evolving in our Valleys, we still have much to do to become a true fraternity of choice. On the positive side of that issue, I would be remiss if I did not address the activities that are geared to ICE programs in many of the Valleys. Several Illinois Valleys have made great strides to make the needed changes to provide programs that are interesting for the membership.

Valley of Chicago

On March 17, 2012 the Valley of Chicago hosted a spectacular event at their new home at the corner of Lake Street and Medinah Road in Bloomingdale Illinois. The day's festivities included an open house with tours of the new building. Most Worshipful Grand Master Terry Seward and the Grand Lodge Officers conducted the ceremonies of the craft and dedicated the new building in accordance with the ancient forms and customs of the Fraternity. Sovereign Grand Commander Ill.: John William McNaughton, 33°, Ill.: David Bedwell, 33°, Deputy for Michigan and the Active members along with several Active Emeriti members of Illinois were in attendance. The Valley of Chicago has

erected a beautiful modern cathedral for the use of their members. The building is inspiring, truly a blend of modern architecture with meaningful historic pieces from the Valley's past incorporated seamlessly into the design. It stands as a beautiful and positive symbol of Masonry as a whole in the greater Chicago area.

Prince Hall

We continue to have an excellent fraternal relationship with our Prince Hall brethren here in Illinois. I am privileged to be an Honorary Past Grand Master of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge and as such I have attended many of their functions over the past fifteen years. It was again my pleasure to attend the Prince Hall Council of Deliberation in October and their Deputy will in turn attend our Council of Deliberation in June.

Grand Lodge Relations

We continue to work with the Grand Lodge officers and have an excellent fraternal and personal relationship with them here in Illinois. The Grand Officers have agreed to allow the Illinois Council of Deliberation to have a full page in the Illinois Freemason, the Grand Lodge newsletter, during the next one and one half years. This will allow us to fully advertise our 200th anniversary to the 65,000 Illinois Masons. Grand Master Seward and I have ongoing discussions about membership meetings and programs that will strengthen Scottish Rite and Freemasonry in Illinois.

Sovereign Grand Commander

I certainly would be remiss if I did not personally thank Sovereign Grand Commander Ill.: John William McNaughton, 33°, for all of his understanding and support of our Great State during the past year. It is my sincere belief that under his leadership, Scottish Rite is beginning to make the changes that are so essential to our survival and growth, changes that will make us the "Fraternity of Choice" in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction.

Supreme Council Almoners Fund

During the past year, nineteen of our Masonic Brethren in Southern Illinois and one Masonic Lodge had the misfortune of having their homes inundated by the over-flowing waters of the Mississippi and Wabash rivers. One cannot imagine the chaos this cause in one life unless you are directly affected. With the aid of our Sovereign Grand Commander and Ill.: Brother Russell Baker, 33°, Grand Almoner, I was privileged to make a visit to the area and present the affected Brethren with financial assistance from our Almoners fund. This assistance along with financial assistance from the Grand Lodge of Illinois certainly did not provide for the replacement of these Brother's total losses, but the funds were deeply appreciated by the Brethren and their families and as one can imagine, helped them through one of the most difficult times of their lives. These Brethren and their families indicated they cannot put into words their heartfelt thanks

for the assistance from our Scottish Rite. They indicated when they needed sincerity, compassion, and kindness the most we as their Brothers were there for them.

Illinois Council of Deliberation

I sincerely thank Ill. Brother Gregory R. Klemm, MSA, 33°, for his efforts on behalf of our Council of Deliberation. Greg and his great staff provide our Council with support and expertise that is unmatched in our jurisdiction. If there is a need they will find a way to make it happen and I want to thank each of the staff for their commitment to our craft. I certainly would be remiss if I did not also thank the Officers and members of the Valley of Chicago for all that they provide in support of our Council.

Illinois Leadership

I sincerely thank each of the Active and Emeriti members in Illinois for their continued support and counsel. We are very fortunate to have this core of leadership with their diverse skills and qualities to help lead and direct our Valleys. I have no doubt that Illinois will be one state where Scottish Rite will make the transition from "Good to Great".

Deputy Representatives

Illinois is blessed to have the following Brethren as Deputy Representatives who are sincere and provide Fraternal guidance to those Valleys where they are assigned. They provide an effective communication link between me and the members of the nine Valleys. Words are not sufficient to thank each of them for the efforts and time they devote to their positions in their respective Valleys.

Illustrious Brother Kurt Grosse, 33°
Illustrious Brother Michael Myers, 33°
Illustrious Brother Loren Barnes, 33°
Illustrious Brother Gregory Clark, 33°
Illustrious Brother Jeffrey Miller, 33°
Illustrious Brother Robert Millikan, 33°
Illustrious Brother G. Nickolas Graff, 33°

Respectfully submitted,

Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, Deputy for Illinois

SECRETARY'S REPORT

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 645.

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 on pages 79 & 80. I call your attention to the summary below:

Summary Statistics

Year	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Beginning Membership	23,044	21,912	20,829	19,808	19,082
Prior Year Adjustments				6	0
Adjusted Beginning	23,044	21,912	20,829	19,802	19,082
Initiations	363	307	494	410	511
Affiliations	9	16	15	10	14
Restorations	123	259	128	112	139
Total Increases	511	582	637	532	664
Year	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Deaths	917	861	1,000	773	773
Suspensions	609	683	558	398	389
Demits	103	114	95	77	113
Discharges	14	6	4	4	4
Expulsions	1	1	1	0	2
Total Decreases	1,644	1,665	1,658	1,252	1,281
Net Change	(1,133)	(1,083)	(1,021)	(720)	(617)
Ending Membership	21,911	20,829	19,808	19,082	18,465

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. : Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, for the opportunity to serve the Council in this role.

Editor's Note: Please see Supplement One for the ICOD composite membership statistics for all nine Valleys which begin on page 79.

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

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

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

Following is the report of the Treasurer as of April 30, 2012.

Cash in Bank

Non-Profit Now		
Checking Account #15583244		\$21,994.92
Less Outstanding Checks		
#2270	\$295.80	
#2272	416.04	
#2273	300.00	
#2274	2,450.52	
Total Outstanding checks		\$3,462.36
Balance in Checking Account as of April 30, 2012		\$18,532.56

Investments

Preferred Money Market Checking		
Cornerstone Nat'l. Bank,	yield 0.15%	\$13,350.28
SEI US Government Money Market Fund	Yield 0.02%	14,558.21
CD Cornerstone Nat'l Bank Due 8/19/13	yield 1.75%	50,000.00
CD Doral Bk Catano Puerto Rico Due 5/7/12	yield 1.60%	35,004.55
CD FirstBank Puerto Rico Due 11/23/12	yield 1.20%	50,208.50
CD FirstBank Puerto Rico Due 12/17/12	yield 1.65%	15,113.40
American Express due 6/3/13	yield 1.05%	25,111.50
GE Capital Financial due 11/27/13	yield 1.15%	25,142.50
GE Money Bank due 9/30/14	yield 1.40%	10,051.30
GE Capital Financial due 12/2/14	yield 1.55%	50,345.50
Total Investments of April 30, 2012		\$ 288,885.74
Total Assets as April 30, 2012		\$307,418.30
Total Assets as of April 30, 2011		\$299,238.22
Increase (Decrease)		\$8,180.08

Respectfully submitted,

Marvin L. Selock, 33°, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee of the Illinois Council of Deliberation has examined the transactions of the General Fund of the Council of Deliberation, and hereby files its report for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2012.

We have examined the accompanying statement of assets arising from cash transactions of the Illinois Council of Deliberation of April 30, 2012 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.

The account records are maintained on a cash basis of accounting. 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, 2012 and the results of the cash transactions for the year ended.

Respectfully submitted,

Stanley P. Boyd, 33°, Chairman
Donald E. Kimes, MSA, 33°
Craig C. Stimpert, 32°

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 2012 to: Illustrious Brother _____, of the Valley of _____.

Respectfully Submitted

Donald L. Anderson, 33°, Chairman
Stanley L. Davidson, 33° Burton L. Hasselbert, MSA, 33°
Karl P. Kalis, 32° Robert W. LaSurs, 33°
Joseph M. Lucas, 33° Brian L. Pettice, 33°
John A. Reining, 33°

Note: The recipient of the Distinguished Service Award will be announced at the banquet on Saturday evening, June 30, 2012. See page 73.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES FOR 2012-2013

Appeals and Grievances

Robert B. Powers, 33°, Springfield; Chairman
Wineil Brown, 33°
Patrick E. Schlehuber, 32° Bloomington

Audit

Stanley P. Boyd, 33°, Bloomington; Chairman
Donald E. Kimes, MSA, 33°, Freeport
Craig C. Stimpert, 32°, Chicago

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
Edward E. Derry, MSA, 33°, Peoria
Arthur J. Hemm, MSA, 33°, Moline
John E. Larsen, 33°, Danville
Paul E. Mealiff, 33° Quincy
Steven L. Walls, 33°, Springfield
Barry D. Weer, 33°, Bloomington
Dean G. White, 33°, Freeport

Deceased Members

Pressly Alvin Laird, MSA, 33°, Quincy; Chairman

Distinguished Service Award

Donald L. Anderson, 33°, Moline; Chairman
Stanley L. Davidson, 33°, Quincy
Burton L. Hasselberg, MSA, 33°, Peoria
Dale P. Cyrier, 32°, Chicago
Joseph M. Lucas, 33°, Springfield
Bruce W. Rhinehart, 33°, Danville
John A. Reining, 33°, Freeport
Barry D. Weer, 33°, Bloomington

General Council

Scott R. Ripley, 32°, Danville; Counsel
Danny J. Leifel, 33°, Bloomington; Assistant Counsel

Introduction of Distinguished Guests

Brady M. Birdsell, 33°, Moline; Chairman
V. Ray Landers 33°, Southern Illinois
Steven L. Scaife, 32°, Springfield

Jurisprudence Rules and Regulations

Irvin C. Slate, Jr., 33°, Southern Illinois; Chairman
Scott Sexton, 32°, Peoria
Edward J. Witas, III, 32°, MSA, Chicago

Membership

H. Dale Rose, Jr., 32°, Southern Illinois; Chairman
Ronald E. Asche, 33°, Freeport
Loren L. Crasford, 32°, Moline
Michael E. Donaker, 33°, Springfield
John D. Dorner, 32°, Bloomington
Fred J. Esken, 32°, Peoria
Sean P. McBride, 32°, Danville
Michael B. Myers, 33°, Quincy
Paul A. Scheeler, 32°, Chicago

Meritorious Service Award

Daryl W. Selock, MSA, 33°, Chicago; Chairman
Dale F. Arbour, 32°, MSA, Bloomington
Wilbur J. Baumann, 32°, MSA, Springfield
Frank E. Baumgartner, 32°, MSA, Quincy
Robert F. Buck, MSA, 33° Southern Illinois
H. Wayne Hoffman, 32° MSA, Peoria
Walter M. Hoffman, 32°, MSA, Freeport
David L. Newton, MSA, 33° Moline
Richard A. Thompson, 32°, MSA, Danville

Nomination of Officers

Robert E. Martin, Jr., 33°, Freeport; Chairman
Andrew S. Bender, 32°, Bloomington
James E. McKinnon, 32°, Chicago
Richard A. Mendenhall, 32°, Springfield
Brian L. Pettice, 33°, Danville

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

Scholarship

Roger F. Aukerman, MSA, 33°, Bloomington; Chairman
 Dennis R. Bussian, 32°, Freeport
 Robert L. Cook, 33°, Southern Illinois
 Thomas T. Johnson, 33°, Quincy
 Henry D. Lawrence, 32°, Peoria
 Rex W. Richards, 33°, Danville
 Kraig E. Sullivan, Sr., MSA, 33°, Springfield
 Timothy J. Vice, 32°, MSA, Moline
 Lance J. Welter, 32°, Chicago

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 \$100.00.

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 previous year.

The actual net cost of last year's Annual Meeting was \$26,238.37. Other budgeted amounts have been increased and decreased based on last year's actual experience.

ANNUAL BUDGET
 Illinois Council of Deliberation
 May 1, 2012 to April 30, 2013

Ordinary Income/Expense	-----2011-2012-----		Budget
Income:	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>2012-13</u>
Per Capita	\$ 53,250	\$53,316.00	†\$52,050
Investment Income	4,400	3,786.87	3,900
COD Reimbursements	10,000	8,766.12	7,500
Supreme Council Reimbursement	<u>15,040</u>	<u>15,168.73</u>	<u>7,500</u>
Total Income	\$ 82,690	81,037.72	70,950
Expense:			
COD Session Expense	\$27,000	26,238.37	20,750
Committee	1,500	0.00	1,500
Contributions	4,500	3,000.00	3,200
Miscellaneous	5,000	791.14	4,400
Secretary's Office	7,500	7,376.55	7,500
Seminars	9,500	10,926.00	11,000
Travel and Entertainment	7,500	4,400.58	7,500
Supreme Council Session	<u>20,000</u>	<u>20,125.00</u>	<u>15,000</u>
Total Expenses	\$82,500	\$72,857.64	\$70,850
Income Over Expenses	<u>\$190</u>	<u>\$8,180.08</u>	<u>\$100</u>

†Based upon 17,350 paid members

Respectfully Submitted,

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

ILLINOIS DEMOLAY FOUNDATION REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

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 life time 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-nine 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 York Rite Conclave on July 28, 2012.

Our total net worth in the Illinois DeMolay Foundation through June 30, 2012 was \$213,169.91.

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

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

The Board of Directors held their annual meeting at Springfield, Illinois, on July 30, 2011. At this meeting the Board elected to distributed funds as follows:

Illinois DeMolay to receive \$4,000.00 dollars, Job's Daughters to receive \$3,500.00, and Rainbow Girls to receive \$3,500.00.

The Board then voted to dissolve the Foundation and distribute the remaining funds based upon per capita figures obtained from each youth group for the year ending December 31, 2011. The final distribution of funds was as follows:

Illinois DeMolay to receive an additional \$3,9401.02 dollars, Job's Daughters to receive an additional \$901.71, and Rainbow Girls to receive an additional \$2,162.83.

The funds of the Foundation being distributed, the Foundation has now been dissolved.

Respectfully submitted,
Johnathan E. Barnes, 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 conferral of the Meritorious Service Award for the class of 2012 will be done as part of the Illinois Council of Deliberations banquet. Following introductions and escort, the red cap and jewel will be presented to the recipient with the dignity and decorum befitting this high honor.

To become a member of this class, the presiding officers of each Valley's four bodies met to select the individuals. After submitting the names each nomination was reviewed, investigated, and approved.

At the conclusion of the evening our Illustrious Commander-in-Chief will announce the names of the nominees to be honored in 2013.

This committee will work to keep and maintain the high standards of those taking part in this in years past. It is our hope the recipients and guests will cherish their memories.

2012 Meritorious Service Award Recipients

Bloomington

Russell Allen McCulley

Chicago

Donald Edward Esser

Danville

Ronald W. Vallangeon

Freeport

Don Robert Kubik

Moline

Michael Ray Bertelsen

Peoria

Fred Junior Allen
Dempsey Woodrow Cochran

Quincy

*Donald Ray Moore
Lawrence Nicholas Weisinger

Southern Illinois

Gregory Wililam Giedman

Springfield

Enrique J. Unanue

*Deceased

Respectfully submitted,

Richard E. Hummel, MSA, 33°
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, 2011 through April 30, 2012.

Following the procedure adopted some years back, the contributions collected at the Council of Deliberation Banquet are used for a specific purpose which is announced prior to the collection, and disbursed promptly thereafter.

The collection at the 2011 Banquet amounted to \$1,700.00, and was sent to the Illinois Grand Lodge to be used in the relief of Brethren affected by flooding in the southern part of the state.

The Hospitaler Fund carries a balance of zero as of April 30, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

John W. Bracken, 33°,
Hospitaler

REPORT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP CHAIRMAN

The funds are allocated at the previous ICOD. The counts are determined one day in May. That leaves 363 days of opportunity to make a difference in lives of others. Application presentation and ease of completing may be someone's first exposure to the Masonic community. The Valley receptions transform names into faces. School year contacts with struggling students place Masonic principles into action. Two questions of the many questions I continually ask myself is when a recipient is no longer in our program, how will they remember our Fraternity? What kind of experience did we deliver? We have Faith our recipients will be successful. We provide Charity to ease financial burdens. We instill Hope that others may see a brighter future.

This year the Grand Lodge of Illinois increased their support of scholarships. Each Valley moved from 2 Grand Lodge scholarships to 3. One more in each Valley may not appear to be a big change. However, if you ask the individual that receives it you may hear a different opinion. The Grand Lodge is making a difference. Thank You.

Supreme Council oversees the Abbott scholarships. Two significant changes occurred this year. First, the amount we administer this year has been reduced from \$62,000 to \$38,500. Second, grandsons and granddaughters of Scottish members have been excluded. While we could spend time questioning these decisions, I'm looking at how we can adjust to them. The first item is a communication thing. The second item may be viewed as an opportunity to have our sons and son-in-laws share the bonds of brotherhood if not already doing so.

The spreadsheet attachment is not something I had initially thought about sharing. What it is, is a worksheet used during the distribution meeting. It was created for selfish reasons; I needed a way to minimize mistakes. I'm sharing it here to be informative. You see the counts and dollars. Use this information to know what is available to your family. Use this information to start a conversation with a friend, neighbor, or coworker that has college age kids. Use this information as pride to be a Scottish Rite Mason.

Counts for 2012-13 scholarships selections:

- 343 Health Care Fields
- 9 Robert B Perkins
- 9 Sherwood & Evelyn Kresin Memorial
- 3 A. Colville Wilson
- 4 Louis L. Williams
- 33 Leon M. Abbott (Supreme Council)
- 27 Illinois Grand Lodge

The graph on the next page displays the number of Illinois AASR recipients and combined amounts. The last funding data point is a projection.

May 12, 2012

Illinois AASR & Grand Lodge Scholarships

First Last	Valley	Health 2011-12 Renewed	Health 2011-12 Granted	Health New 2012-13	Abbott 2011	Grand Lodge 2012	Perkins 2011	Kresin 2012	Williams 2012	2012				
Roger Aukerman	Bloomington	45	34	10	44	2	2	3	1	1	1	1	2	2
Lance Welter	Chicago	31	26	4	30	6	5	3	1	1	1	1	1	1
Rex Richards	Danville	22	10	11	21	6	5	3	1	1	1	1	1	1
Ronald Cronau	Freeport	33	26	5	31	3	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Timothy Vice	Moline	14	7	18	25	2	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	1
Henry Lawrence	Peoria	53	33	15	48	3	4	3	2	3	1	1	1	1
Tom Johnson	Quincy	54	40	13	53	2	3	3	2	3	1	1	1	1
Robert Cook	So. Illinois	33	25	10	35	6	6	3	2	3	1	1	1	1
Kraig Sullivan	Springfield	58	48	8	56	3	3	4	3	3	1	1	1	1
		343	249	94	343	33	33	27	18	27	9	9	9	4

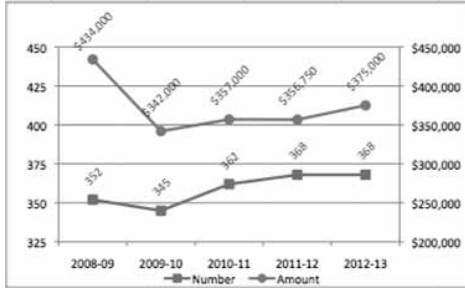
Richard Yena	Chairman Wilson Scholarship	3 approved for 2011-12. 3 approved for 2012-13.
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Amount awarded with each Grand Lodge scholarship is \$1,000.

* NOTE: Valleys with an extra recipient understand this is a one year only commitment.

Illinois has been allocated \$36,200 for Abbott Scholarships.
31 to be awarded at \$1,157. - 2 for Valley of Blooming to be awarded at \$1,166.50.

Amount	Count	Divide	Round D.	Remainder
2010 \$ 44,500	33	\$ 1,348.48	\$ 1,348	\$ 16
2011 \$ 62,000	33	\$ 1,878.79	\$ 1,878	\$ 26
2012 \$ 38,200	33	\$ 1,157.58	\$ 1,157	\$ 19



2012	
343	\$ 1,000 \$ 343,000
9	\$ 1,000 \$ 9,000
9	\$ 1,000 \$ 9,000
4	\$ 2,000 \$ 8,000
3	\$ 2,000 \$ 6,000
\$ 375,000	

2011	
343	\$ 1,000 \$ 343,000
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This committee is a good one. I thank each team member and the many people behind the scenes for making this scholarship program the success it is.

Respectfully Submitted

Roger F. Aukerman, MSA, 33°, Chairman

COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES

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

Respectfully Submitted

Robert B. Powers, 33°, Chairman
 Scott R. Schuett, 32° Adam E. Young, 32°

COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Irvin C. Slate, Jr., 33°, Chairman
 Earl F. Wys, 33°

INTRODUCTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS REPORT

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

Respectfully submitted,

Enrique Unanue, 32°, Chairman
 V. Ray Landers, 33° Arlo Ray Sloan, MSA, 33°

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RELATIONS

I regret to inform you that as Chairman of the Public Relations Committee, I took "NO ACTION" this year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dale F. Arbour, 32°, MSA, Chairman

VALLEY YEAR IN REVIEW REPORTS

Valley of Bloomington

At the beginning of this program year, our Valley made an extensive list of goals to pursue over the next two years. After the first year, we have made significant progress on many items. Here are a few examples of achievements from each of several goal areas:

Meeting Optimization and Efficiency

- a. Used consent agendas whenever practical and possible.
- b. Spent more time in stated meetings on presentations by outside groups and degree portrayals. (For example, we had presentations by Habitat for Humanity and Midwest Food Bank; and the new 19th degree was also performed during a stated meeting.)

Office Improvements

- a. Added more information to our membership records, including cell numbers and email addresses.
- b. Implemented additional automation of our financial records.

Leadership Growth

- a. Improved officer line commitments, attendance at Valley events and participation in leadership training.
- b. Adjusted our Valley program to better align with Supreme Council and Illinois Council of Deliberation models using information from membership seminars and 33° point award systems.

Improved Communications

- a. Entirely rebuilt our Valley website and improved its usability and maintainability (www.aasrbloomington.org or www.valleyofbloomington.org).
- b. Created a special monthly emailing to officers about upcoming events on the Valley calendar, and added degree rehearsal and other key information to the website.

Valley Membership and Growth

- a. Made formal visits to Mazon, Normal, Wade Barney, and DeWitt Lodges to confer Scottish Rite Degrees on several candidates.
- b. Held two successful reunions and significantly increased the total number of candidates from the recent past.

Preserve and Celebrate Our History

- a. Updated photographs of our 33° degree recipients for our display case, and made electronic copies of all 33° photos accessible from our website.
- b. Displayed items from our history during reunions

Our year also saw our Valley honor Ill.: Bro. David E. Young, 33° as our Executive Secretary Emeritus upon his retirement from the position of Valley Secretary—a capacity in which he served us in exemplary fashion for 24 years. Also, Ill.: Bro. Gregory L. Clark, 33° was named as the new Deputy Representative for our Valley.

Valley members Ken Pfeifer and Ben North received their 33rd degrees in Chicago, and Bill Tanner received the MSA award in Normal. We were also thrilled to hear the names called of our brethren to be specially recognized in the coming months—John Dorner to receive his 33rd degree in Cleveland, and Russ McCulley to receive his MSA in Chicago.

Our year also included potlucks, camp outs, family picnics, swim parties, a scholarship reception, peace meal deliveries, work at the McLean County Food Bank, Line Dinners, Valentine and reunion banquets, a chili cook-off, constitution trail and campground cleanups, ringing bells for Salvation Army, the Feast of the Pascal Lamb ceremony, and birthday auctions that netted significant contributions for Salvation Army, Midwest Food Bank, Home Sweet Home Mission, and the Peace Meal Sr. Nutrition Program. And we were able to accomplish all this, and more, while maintaining and deepening our Masonic and family relationships.

We also worked diligently, again this year, on reviewing expenses and careful budgeting. The result of these efforts, combined with the fine efforts of our past Valley leadership, continue to keep our Valley on a solid financial footing going forward.

I am so proud of the continued outstanding efforts of our officers and members within the Scottish Rite Valley of Bloomington, and I am very honored and humbled to serve it.

Fraternally Submitted,

Robert T. Trefzger, 33° Commander-in-Chief
Bloomington Consistory, AASR NMJ

Valley of Chicago

What an exciting year for the Valley of Chicago!

On Saturday, March 17, 2012, the Scottish Rite Valley of Chicago celebrated the Grand Opening and Dedication of its new home in Bloomingdale, Illinois. Not since 1900, when the Valley of Chicago first relocated to the Cathedral on North Dearborn Street in Chicago, has our Valley celebrated the dedication of a new Masonic landmark to call its home.

The 60,000 square foot edifice known as the Scottish Rite Cathedral located at the northwest corner of Lake Street and Medinah Road, has been especially designed with the needs of our enthusiastic membership in mind. Housed within the spaces are a library and museum; a members' lounge and game room; a Masonic Lodge room; a formal dining room; and a state of the art performance theater, with seating for nearly 300—all joined together by an awe-inspiring space known as the Grand Hall.

The Valley was honored by the opportunity to host so many of its members and guests at the grand opening and new building dedication ceremonies—most especially, our Sovereign Grand Commander, Ill.: John William McNaughton, 33°. Illustrious Brother McNaughton's leadership and guidance throughout the relocation of our Valley from Chicago's Gold Coast to Bloomingdale has proven to be invaluable and we are so very grateful for his support.

While our beautiful cathedral provides much opportunity for our Valley, we recognize that it is our members—and not the structure in which we meet—that provides the source of our Valley's strength. The committees of our Rite are active and working. From our recently chartered Knights of St. Andrew, to the rest of our committees, everyone is doing their part in making sure that our members and visitors who encounter the Valley of Chicago experience the warmth of friendship and brotherly love that has characterized our great fraternity since inception.

Our challenge now is to build upon the momentum that our members have created and to continue to grow the Valley of Chicago—and the Valley of Chicago is certainly growing. For the first time in memorable history, including adjustments for deaths and suspensions, we experienced a positive gain in our Valley's membership for the ICOD year. This, we feel, is a true testament to the Valley of Chicago's strength.

Held in April, the Inaugural Reunion of the newly dedicated Scottish Rite Cathedral was named after our Sovereign Grand Commander, Ill.: John William McNaughton, 33°. In honor of our Sovereign Grand Commander's presence, the Thirty-third Degree members of the Valley of Chicago formed an honor guard welcoming Illustrious Brother McNaughton to the East. Escorting him were the other Active and Emeritus members of the Supreme Council who were present that day, including Ill.: Lawrence D. Inglis, 33°, Honorary Past Sovereign Grand Commander; Ill.: Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, Deputy for Illinois; Ill.: John T. Phillips, 33°, and Ill.: Richard L. Swaney, 33°, Actives for Illinois.

Over the course of our two-day reunion event, the Valley of Chicago conferred a total of eleven different Degrees and welcomed 130 new members into our Consistory. In addition to the 4th Degree—Master Traveler and the 31st Degree—Knight Aspirant, several less frequently conferred degrees were also performed, including the 14th Degree—Grand Elect Mason; 15th Degree—Knight of the East; 16th Degree—Prince of Jerusalem; 18th Degree—Knight of the Rose Croix of Heredom; 22nd Degree—Prince of Libanus; 27th Degree—Knight of Jerusalem; 28th Degree—Knight of the Sun; 29th Degree—Knight of Saint Andrew; and in its full form ceremonial, the 32nd Degree—Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret. Special recognition is in order for Men in

Brotherhood Lodge, No. 1178, for their conferral of the 22nd Degree; Oriental Lodge, No. 33, for their conferral of the 27th Degree; and the Valley of Chicago's own Knights of St. Andrew for their work in conferring the 29th Degree.

The degree conferrals would not have been possible without the dedication of so many of our members—way too many to individually name but all of whom deserve our recognition and thanks. We are especially thankful for the hard work of our technical crews and committees: music, wardrobe, makeup, sound, lighting, and stage crews, and for the organization and direction of our Technical Director, Ill.: Michael J. Molloy, 33° and Donald R. Carruthers, MSA, our Director of Work. We also recognize Ill.: Noel J. Kalis, MSA, 33°, for his efforts during the move-in and setup processes, as chairmen of our House Committee. The work of our committee chairmen and their staff has been second to none.

Our social events calendar this past year featured many well-attended programs and events geared toward a variety of interests. Featured among the more popular events is our annual Arlington Park Day at the Races and Family Thanksgiving Day Dinner program. We also hosted for the first time a Cigar Night at a local club, as well as a Guys Night at the Rite—featuring a casual evening of dinner and drinks in the lounge, pool in the game room, a movie in the theatre and cigars on the patio. These events provided our members with unique opportunities to enjoy each other's company and to get to know one another in a more relaxed—take your tie off—environment.

All in all, the past year has been a resounding success for the Valley of Chicago. Our leadership has provided us with the necessary tools for success. With our Active Member, Ill.: John T. Phillips, 33°, and our Active Emeritus, Ill.: Lawrence D. Inglis, 33°, Honorary Sovereign Grand Commander; and Ill.: Gregory R. Klemm, MSA, 33°, Executive Secretary and Chief Operating Officer and President Ill.: William E. Tienken, 33°, and the rest of our Cathedral Board of Directors, past and present—we are in very good hands.

We are proud of the opportunity to host the 2012 annual session of the Illinois Council of Deliberation, and we hope that everyone who attends enjoys themselves and the opportunity to be together.

Valley of Danville

We are fresh off another exciting year of Scottish Rite Masonry in the Valley of Danville, which included several fraternal and family activities for the benefit of our members.

The Valley held its 5th Annual Scottish Rite Golf Classic on Saturday June 18th, 2011 at Turtle Run Golf Course in Danville. This event has become one of the Valley's main fundraisers to benefit the operation of the Valley, as well as portion to benefit the Children's Dyslexia Center of East Central Illinois, which is located in the Danville Masonic Center.

On August 10th history was made in the Valley of Danville, when for the first time in our 100 year history, a Stated Meeting was held away from our headquarters, as Robinson Lodge #250 hosted the Valley's August 2011 meeting. The

Brethren of the Crawford County area served up a grill cooked meal prior to the meeting. Roughly 50 members were in attendance, many of which had never attended a Valley Board meeting before.

The Valley held its 5th Annual Outdoor Degree presentation on Saturday August 20th on the property of Brother Rick Casteel near Newton. The 4th Degree DVD, 7th and 21st Degrees were presented to 6 candidates and a large crowd of Brethren. The event began in the late afternoon hours and concluded with the 21st Degree being presented at twilight. Between the 7th and 21st Degrees, all in attendance enjoyed Brother Casteel's World Famous Pulled Pork Barbeque. Following the Degree work, several of the Brethren stayed for fellowship and karaoke provided by one of the members.

The Danville Lodge of Perfection held its Annual Feast of Tishri on September 21. The event was open to members, as well as their family and friends. A catered meal was served, followed by a short presentation on the history of the Feast of Tishri and a magic show.

A Degree Day was held at the Kankakee Masonic Temple on September 24 with presentations of the 4th Degree DVD and the 28th Degree. The Valley initiated one new candidate and welcomed several members for a morning of fellowship.

The Valley held its Oktoberfest on October 1 at the Danville Masonic Center. The event was open to the public and featured a variety of German style food and imported beers. Several bands were featured throughout the afternoon and evening from a variety of music styles, including Country and Classic Rock.

The Valley held its 2011 Fall Reunion on November 4th and 5th. The Class was named after Illustrious Joseph W. Etheridge, 33° Past Sovereign Prince of the Walter A. Stevens, Council Princes of Jerusalem and Past Commander-in-Chief of the Danville Consistory. 25 Class members witnessed a live presentation of the 4th Degree, along with the 14th, 15th, 18th, 19th and 32nd Degrees. On Friday evening following the 14th Degree, the Valley and the Children's Dyslexia Center of East Central Illinois presented Las Vegas performer Tony Pace. The show was open to members and the public alike and admission was free to all the candidates and their ladies.

The Danville Lodge of Perfection presented its 4th Annual Christmas Play on December 3rd with matinee and evening performances of "A Child Shall Lead Them", which is an original play written by Illustrious Robert L. Blacketer, 33° Past Thrice Potent Master of the Danville Lodge of Perfection and was dedicated to the memory of his late Father, who was a minister in Danville. Donations were collected and later distributed for the Masonic Service Association of North America for programs at the Veteran's Affairs Illiana Medical Center in Danville.

The Valley presented the Masonic play, "December's Rose" on January 14 for an audience of 50 people at Olive Branch Lodge #38 as a fundraiser for the Coins for Children program. The Valley has offered this play for several years to Lodges as a service for fundraising and fraternal activities.

Newton Lodge #216 hosted the Valley for a "Rite Stuff" Rendezvous on January 26th. The event was attended by approximately 60 guests, including Scottish Rite members, non-Scottish Rite Master Masons, non-Masons and their ladies. The attendees enjoyed a delicious meal prepared by the Brethren

on Newton Lodge #216, followed by a slide show presentation on Ancient Craft and Scottish Rite Masonry along with several speakers describing their experiences in Masonry and what the fraternity means to them personally. Following the event, a total of three non Masons filled out petitions to various Lodges in the area.

A "Valley of Danville Night" was held at the Danville Dasher's Hockey game on January 27th. Valley members and their ladies met at the Deluxe Restaurant before the game and enjoyed a fun filled evening of fellowship.

St. Joseph Lodge #970 played host to a Scottish Rite Degree Day on February 7. The Valley welcomed seven new candidates and a lodge room full of members who witnessed the 4th Degree DVD followed by the 28th Degree. After the degree work was completed, the group retired to El Toro Mexican Restaurant across the street from the Lodge, which is owned by a local Mason for refreshment and fellowship.

A "Rite Stuff" Rendezvous was held at Villa Grove—Camargo Lodge #885 on February 20. Following light refreshments, several members and non-members along with their ladies enjoyed the presentation. Since the event was held on President's Day, a special guest speaker was invited to the event. Brother George Washington, as presented by Illustrious Robert L. Blacketer, 33° shared his life experiences from his childhood, to the American Revolution and his membership in the Masonic fraternity. Following the event, 2 petitions were filled out and submitted to the Lodge from non-member guest at the event.

The Valley held its 2nd Annual Cash Bash fundraiser on February 25th with proceeds benefiting Valley building maintenance and operating expenses.

A Degree Night was held at Robinson Lodge #250 on March 2 with Dinner prepared and served by Brethren from Newton and Robinson Lodges. The Valley presented the 4th Degree DVD and the 14th Degree to three candidates and a room full of members.

The March Stated Meeting was held at the Champaign Masonic Center on March 14 with approximately 40 members in attendance. In conjunction with the meeting, three new candidates witnessed a presentation of the 4th Degree DVD followed by an historical play based on the 1884 ritual of the 16th Degree.

A Degree Night was also held at Watseka Lodge #446 on March 16 with Dinner catered by VIPS Restaurant followed by the 4th Degree DVD and the 14th Degree. The Valley initiated 2 new candidates and welcomed several members to the event.

The 2012 Spring Reunion was held on March 30 and 31 and featured presentations of the 4th, 14th, 16th, 18th, 25th, 27th and 32nd Degrees. A total of 24 candidates became 32nd Degree Masons. The Class was named in honor of Illustrious Harold R. Greer, 33rd Degree, Past Sovereign Prince of the Walter A. Stevens Council Princes of Jerusalem. The Valley was pleased to welcome Illustrious James L. Tungate, 33° Grand Secretary General and Active for Illinois and Illustrious Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, Deputy for Illinois to the Spring Reunion, as well as Companion Dale P. Cyrier, Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Illinois, his Right Excellent Deputy Grand High Priest, Companion Robert H. Wright, and the President of the Midwest Grotto Association, Harlan A. Martin to the Reunion.

The George E. Burow Chapter of Rose Croix presented their Annual Feast of the Paschal Lamb on April 1. Members from several of our departed member's families were in attendance and joined the officers and members for lunch after the ceremony.

The Annual Installation of Officers Ceremony was held on Saturday, May 12 at the Danville Masonic Center. The newly elected officers of the four coordinate bodies were duly installed into office and the retiring Presiding Officers were each presented with their past officer jewels and honored for their service to the Valley.

A Degree Day was held at Flat Rock Lodge #348 on May 19th with presentations of the 4th Degree DVD, 7th and 28th Degrees. The Valley welcomed three new candidates and several members to the event, who enjoyed a cook-out style lunch that was prepared by the Brethren of Flat Rock Lodge.

Some of the other highlights of the past year included several presentations by the Valley's Ancient Craft Degree Team in various Symbolic Lodges throughout the Valley, including Western Star, Sidney, Olive Branch and an Outdoor Third Degree presentation in Palestine.

The Valley also began studying the preservation of the Danville Masonic Center with the formation of a new Building Committee, chaired by Brother Michael Puhr, who along with his Committee has been aggressively pursuing the needs of building with the assistance of professional architects.

Plans are already underway for several events over the course of the 2011-2012 Scottish Rite year, including Degree Days, fraternal and family activities, and the formation of special interest clubs for the enjoyment of the membership.

The Danville Consistory will proudly celebrate its 100 year Anniversary during the Fall Reunion scheduled for November 9 and 10 and will welcome our Most Worshipful Grand Master of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois, Terry L. Seward as the Class Honoree for the 2013 Spring Reunion scheduled for April 12 and 13. Along with the Supreme Council kicking off its official celebration period for its 200 year Anniversary on August 5, this is sure to be an historic and fun filled year for Scottish Rite Masonry in the Valley of Danville!

Valley of Freeport

The Valley of Freeport continues its long tradition to support all Masonic bodies and to support community events.

Community Events

Many of our Community Events are quickly becoming traditions that area residents look forward to. The Annual Adpix Awards was once again host in our auditorium in May. These honor high school students for work done in the performing arts. We also host the local Forrester High School Band as they perform a concert in our Auditorium in May.

Other community events that are annual favorites include the Mayor's Hunger luncheon, Freeport Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner, Service Club Christmas Luncheon, and the Freeport Community Concert Series. We also host many local high school proms.

The 10th Annual Freeport Scottish Rite Golf Outing was held in June and raised money for both the Shrine Children's Hospital in Chicago and the Children's Learning Center. Over the year's this event has raised over \$13,500.00 for these two organizations.

Over the course of the past year, the Masonic Temple has promoted several concerts. In October 2011 Three Dog Night played to a sold out auditorium. Paul Revere & the Raiders brought their Christmas to us December 2011 and Lorrie Morgan & Pam Tillis were here in April 2012. Additionally, we hosted a MMA, (Mixed Martial Arts) event in February. These events are tagged as fundraisers for the maintenance and restoration of our beautiful building.

We also continue to see a trend of other organizations renting our facilities to bring entertainment options to our area. In 2012, we began offering both tickets selling and ushering services to these organizations. This benefits both the customer and patrons attending events at our facility.

We also offered three bus trips to our members and public. During the summer of 2011 we once again offered a bus trip to see a baseball game in Milwaukee. Newly offered in September 2011 was a bus trip to the Fireside Dinner Theatre to see the musical, Seven Brides for Seven Brothers. This trip was enjoyed so much that another trip was offered in March 2012 to see 9 to 5-The Musical.

Masonic Events

The Freeport Masonic Temple hosted the state meeting of the HI-12 once again in August 2011. This event was hosted in our Crystal Room and catered by our in-house caterer.

Our Fall Reunion was held November 11th and 12th. This year we were graced by members of the Rockford Chapter of Demolay presenting the Demolay Degree. We had three candidates at this reunion and closed with the ever-popular "Afterglow". This is an informal gathering time for all members of Scottish Rite, held at the end of the first night of a reunion. Appetizers and beverages are served, and Brothers can play pool, play cards, or simply chat with new and old friends. It is particularly helpful to new candidates to get to know other Scottish Rite members.

The Feast of the Paschal Lamb was presented this year on April 1st. The Valley of Freeport presents this memorial to members that have passed every two years. This service is open to the public and widows are formally invited.

On April 13th and 14th, the Valley of Freeport held its Spring 2012 Reunion and welcomed 14 candidates into the Scottish Rite. The Valley of Freeport offered the re-written 19^o degree at this reunion. Once again, all enjoyed the traditional Afterglow.

The Valley of Freeport was also the site for the Town Hall Meeting with Most Worshipful Grand Master, Terry L. Seward. Grand Master's Class held on Friday, May 25th.

As always, membership growth and retention is a concern in the Valley of Freeport. A Membership and Retention Committee was formed about two years ago. This year we have seen an increase in the number of members that have paid back dues and now maintain a current dues balance.

We also began to recognize the Worshipful Masters of Lodges within our Valley as they are installed. They are presented with a certificate at, or shortly after their initiation. This program seems to be well received and we plan to continue to honor new Masters as they are installed.

Learning Center

Our Learning Center is now in its eighth year of operation. Tutoring is offered to students suffering from dyslexia three days per school year.

Valley of Moline

Our year begins in May with the election and appointment of officers.

June 13th the 4th degree was presented following the business of our regular stated meeting. 2 new candidates were initiated.

June 25th several of our members and their wives attended the banquet at the Illinois Council of Deliberation. Brother Aubrey Covault and Brother Marvin Whittaker received the MSA award and Brother Michael Bertelsen was announced as next year's recipient. Brother Mark Hepner, MSA 33° received the 2011 Distinguished Award.

August the 8th the 19th degree was presented following the business of our regular stated meeting.

Also in August Brother Arlo Sloan and Brother Edward Walker received the 33 degree at the Supreme Council session in Chicago. Brother Lauren Crawford was elected the receive 33 degree in Cleveland, Ohio.

September 10th members along with family and friends attended a picnic at Loud Thunder Park in Andalusia. The 22nd degree was presented for members only during the afternoon in a tyled and secluded area of the park.

The Fall Reunion was held Saturday, October 15th. The 4th, 15th, 17th and 32nd degrees were presented. The ladies were invited in the afternoon to see The Ceremony of Lights and a DeMolay degree presented by the local DeMolay Chapter and the Flag Folding Ceremony by the Rainbow Girls.

A large crowd attended our wiener roast/hay-rack ride on October 29th at Snow Star Ski Resort southwest of Andalusia.

December brought about the Annual Christmas Party. Young and old were entertained by clowns, bouncing room, face painting, a magic show, and a visit from Santa.

February 11th a dinner was held honoring leaders of local lodges and organizations.

The Spring Reunion was held March 16th and 17th. The 4th, 14th, 6th 16th, 18th, 31st and 32nd degrees were presented.

Our year's activities came to its end at the April Stated Meeting, followed by a public observance of the Feast of the Paschal Lamb.

Valley of Peoria

The Valley of Peoria has seen another year pass and as in previous years we have seen some successes and failures. One of the ways we work to keep members involved is by having at least one member event every month. This document will outline some of those events and things that have worked and things we think we could improve on. Stated meetings aren't just meetings. We try to make sure to have food and beverages before or after every meeting. The body in charge of the meeting is also in charge of the food that month. While some bodies provide the basics of snacks and soda; others have gone all out with full fledge meals. The idea seems to work and we generally have nice turnouts for meetings and the fellowship that goes along with food and drink is great.

Another interesting trick that has seemed to work well is leveraging call-em-all and sending out a stated meeting attendance email. We have leveraged the call-em-all option the last several years with decent success. On the other side is an attendance email. In recent years if a body wasn't in charge the number of officers and appointed officers who came to stated meetings wasn't always the best. After a meeting we now send out an email to all officers showing the attendance of the various bodies and for some reason it seems to help in getting officers to meetings. It also helps that the email generally takes a positive tone and never points fingers.

Another thing we have done during stated meetings is to do some individual degree work. While we took advantage of the Supreme Council's DVD for the fourth degree, members seemed to really enjoy the live degree work. The 19th degree worked perfectly for an after business meeting degree as it has fewer actors and could be done in the dining area.

We are fighting hard to increase membership but it is always an uphill battle. Reunions are seeing limited participation but good degree work from those involved. We continue to do after glows following our reunions and generally have a nice turnout. We have tried to include a wives event during the reunion day but have not had many participants. There are some good ideas that are working through the new officers on membership and we look forward to improvement in this area.

Like lots of Valleys our building is an issue. Manpower and dollars seem to be in short supply and we need to better communicate with our Foundation on leveraging some of those dollars. At the same time the basic maintenance projects can be a challenge. For example, just finding a plumber or roofing company willing to work on some of the big projects members can't do themselves has been a challenge.

One thing that has been somewhat successful has been our rental program. We have seen the building used for numerous weddings and receptions. A lack of air conditioning has somewhat limited the quantity of events in the summer but spring and fall keep things busy in the building.

Our Learning Center is one of the jewels of the Valley. It can always use more dollars but the Learning Center board works hard on fundraisers. A walk-a-thon has seen a steady increase in dollars but not so many walkers. Their spaghetti dinner always seems to be popular as well.

We have a number of regular events that do well but at the same time seem to be seeing a decline in participation. For example we canceled this year's Family Life program since we had seen fewer and fewer masonic families invited to the event participate. On the other end of the spectrum we continue to see good attendance for things like our Easter Egg hunt which draws lots of masonic families. It's always great to see the cathedral filled with the sound of young voices!

We have also worked to revive a couple of our old standby events to get more participation. Our Brat Fest was renamed a few years ago to Family Fest to emphasize in a blunt way that it was a family event. We continue to offer not only good food and family friendly music but also make sure to have a bouncy house for the kids as well as a number of family games and of course the dunk tank.

Another event that has really surprised us the last several years is our fish fry. It used to be a stag event but we converted it to a family event the previous year. In 2011 we had a very nice turnout. In 2012 we had a HUGE turnout. So large that it rivaled our Family Fest and we had to make an emergency call to get more fish! We charged \$5 per person for an all you can eat dinner and still made money on the event.

The Valley continued its tradition of doing the Feast of the Paschal Lamb. It helps that the members who do the degree are experienced pros (translated-We're all old and have done it a lot!).

Our Masters and Wardens night continues to see good participation. It does help that the Grand Master of the State of Illinois is a member of our Valley but even before Grand Master Terry Seward took office we had good turn-outs.

Congratulations to our 33rd nominees Scott Sexton and Henry Lawrence who will receive their degree in Cleveland. We had a very good time in Chicago last summer watching Mike Connors, Bill Shaner & Darrel Vierling receive their 33rd degrees. Several of our members assisted the Valley of Chicago with their hosting duties for the Supreme Council session.

At this ICOD meeting our deserving brothers Woody Cochran and Fred Allen will be recognized with the Meritorious Service Award. Last June we had an above "normal" time in Normal watching John Levingston receive his red hat in an impressive ceremony conducted by our Illustrious Brother and friend Phil Kenney, MSA, 33°.

Here's to even greater successes in 2012 and beyond!

Valley of Quincy

At the 2011 Illinois Council of Deliberation Annual Meeting, John T. Dozier received the MSA Award, and it was announced that Lawrence N. Weisinger will receive the MSA in 2012. Donald R. Moore was also named to receive the MSA this year, but passed away in October.

There were 70 in attendance at our Scholarship Luncheon held on July 23, 2011, in the Quincy Masonic Temple dining room. Committee Chairman, Thomas Johnson, welcomed everyone and asked the 21 students to introduce their parents, family members, and teachers. After the luncheon, students talked to each other about the colleges they would be attending.

On August 30, William O. Mays Jr, MSA, and Thomas T. Johnson were coroneted 33rd Degree Scottish Rite Masons, at the Supreme Council Annual Meeting, in Chicago. We learned that Frank E. Baumgartner, MSA, would receive the honorary 33rd Degree on August 28, 2012, in Cleveland, Ohio.

There were 10 new members in the Donald Ray Moore, MSA Memorial class at our Fall Reunion on November 5, 2011, where they observed 7 degrees and became 32° Freemasons.

In addition to membership, a primary goal for our Valley is to help our members and their families become more involved with the fraternity. Several years ago, some of the Scottish Rite officers organized a pool tournament for members and prospective members at the Quincy Masonic Temple. That evolved into our Family Fun Day, held in mid-February, to help combat "cabin fever." In addition to playing pool, this activity now includes Euchre and Pitch card games, along with board games of Checkers, Yahtzee, and Dominoes. The free lunch of pizza and soft drinks was 2011, where they observed 7 degrees and became 32° Freemasons.

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This will be the 3rd year for our Valley Family Picnic which is held in early June. It is free to our members and their families along with prospective members and their families. The picnic location is moved to a different area each year to help our members get acquainted with the size of our Valley. It was held in Quincy, then Carthage, and will be in Griggsville this year.

Other family activities planned for this summer include: attending a Quincy Gems Baseball Game, on June 22; the musical "Oklahoma" at the Quincy Community Theatre, on July 26; and taking a Riverboat Dinner Cruise at Hannibal, MO, on August 17. Group rates for our Valley help reduce the cost for attending.

Marvin T. Johnson, 33°, continues to coordinate events with the Illinois Grand Lodge ILCHIP Program in the Western Area, and many members of our Valley assist with the events.

Reflecting on this past year, the Valley of Quincy is making progress by incorporating Inspiration, Convenience, and Enjoyment into our programs.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

Paul E. Mealiff, 33°
Executive Secretary

Valley of Southern Illinois

Membership

This past year, Scottish Rite has focused on membership. While we are still experiencing a decline in overall membership our numbers are looking better with a 15% increase on initiations, a 22% decrease in suspensions. Deaths however have remained constant, which reflects our aging membership.

Our Ambassador program has proven to be very beneficial for both membership and greater communication with the Lodges within our area.

New Active

This year a new Active representative to Supreme Council was named for our Valley. Illustrious Richard L. Swaney, 33°, Past Grand Master for the state of Illinois. We look forward to working with him to improve the Valley.

Children's Dyslexia Center

Our Learning Center continues to help children with dyslexia. We are celebrating the 10th Anniversary of our Center. Since opening we have had 11,624 tutoring sessions helping children from Southern Illinois overcome dyslexia. We are excited this coming year as we have a class of eight scholars, all experienced special education teachers. This will allow the Center to serve even more children. We are especially thankful to all of the supporters of the Center for their continued and generous support,

Community Events

As in years past, the Valley has participated in many community and family events. We have hosted events for the local parks and recreation fundraiser, the FASTT autistic fundraiser, the Belleville Philharmonic production of the Nutcracker, USAF Band of Mid America Christmas Concerts, as well as participating in other local events.

We host a luncheon on Valentine's Day and Thanksgiving for our members and ladies that is always well attended.

Reunions & Outstates

Through the efforts of our membership committee, officers, and members the Valley had very successful Spring and Fall Reunions. We will have initiated 100 new members. The new requirements of the "Book-End" degree presentation allows us to portray additional core degrees that may not have been previously possible. We are actively pursuing degree presentations throughout Southern Illinois.

Status of Building

Even with all the positive things taking place at the Valley, our building continues to require significant effort to maintain. Our leadership has recognized this fact and determined that the best approach is to try and sell the property. While this has been a difficult decision for the membership, it is the correct approach to ensure the future for the Valley of Southern Illinois.

Fraternally Submitted,

Gary L. Alves, 33°
Executive Secretary

Valley of Springfield

The 2011-2012 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.

On August 2, 2011 the Valley held our annual Scholarship Presentation and Reception for all the scholarship recipients for the 2011-2012 year. Scholarships were presented to 64 well-deserving students.

On September 27, 2011 the Valley hosted our annual Warden's Night, which provides Lodge Wardens the opportunity to hear the Illinois Grand Master present his plans for the upcoming year and to promote Scottish Rite membership.

On October 19, 2011 the Valley held our Fall Reunion.

On November 1, 2011 the Valley held its annual Veteran's Day Program.

On December 6, 2011 the Valley held its annual Adult Christmas Party.

On December 10, 2011 the Valley held the annual Breakfast with Santa, sponsored by the Chapter of Rose Croix.

On February 26, 2012 the Valley and Ansar Shrine sponsored the Joe DeFrates Memorial Chili Cook Off with proceeds going to the Children's Dyslexia Center of Springfield and Shrine Hospitals.

On March 24, 2012 the Valley held our Spring Reunion.

On April 4, 2012 the Valley honored our members who were called to eternal refreshment in the Paradise of God during the preceding year as conducted by the Chapter of Rose Croix presentation of the Feast of the Paschal Lamb.

The Valley of Springfield will continue to promote Scottish Rite Masonry and to promote membership involvement. Hopefully we will increase our support to the Masonic Charities and especially to the Children's Dyslexic Centers for Children.

2012-2015 REUNION DATES

Valley of Bloomington

2012	2013	2014	2015
November 2-3	June 28-29 November 1-2	March 7-8 November 7-8	March 6-7 November 6-7

Valley of Chicago

2012	2013	2014	2015
November 1-3	April 4-6 November 1-2	April 3-5 November 6-7	April 9 & 11 November 5-7

Valley of Danville

2012	2013	2014	2015
October 26-27	April 12-13 November 8-9	April 11-12 November 14-15	March 27-28 November 20-21

Valley of Freeport

2012	2013	2014	2015
November 9-10	April 12-13 November 8-9	April 5 November 8	April 4 November 7

Valley of Moline

2012	2013	2014	2015
October 19-20	March 15-16 October 18-19	March 14-15 October 17-18	March 20-21 October 16-17

Valley of Peoria

2012	2013	2014	2015
November 9-10	April 5-6 November 1-2		

Valley of Quincy

2012	2013	2014	2015
November 2-3	March 15-16 November 8-9	April 4-5 November 7-8	

Valley of Southern Illinois

2012	2013	2014	2015
October 27	April 27 October 26	April 26 October 25	

Valley of Springfield

2012	2013	2014	2015
October 13	March 16 October 12	March 15 October 18	

ONE HUNDRED FORTY THIRD SESSION

Banquet

Saturday, June 30, 2012

6:00 p.m.

*Editor's Note: No recording was made of the banquet session.
Following is list of the known activities that evening.*

**INTRODUCTION OF
MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS**

Bloomington

Russell Allen McCulley

Chicago

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Danville

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Freeport

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Moline

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Springfield

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Dinner was served

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Ill.∴ Donald L. Anderson, 33°, Chairman, DSA Committee:

To the Officers and Members of the Illinois Council of Deliberation, Ladies and Distinguished Guests.

The Distinguished Service Award Committee received several well-qualified nominations for this year's Citation. The committee members ranked the candidates, and then I, as Chairman, compiled the results to obtain which nominee would receive the Award.

The Brothers, and the Valleys which they represent, appointed to the Award's Committee are as follows:

Stanley L. Davidson, 33°, Quincy
Burton L. Hasselburg, 33°, Peoria
Karl P. Kalis, 32°, Chicago
Robert W. LaSurs, MSA, 33°, Southern Illinois
Joseph M. Lucas, 33°, Springfield
Brian L. Pettice, 33°, Danville
John A. Reining, 33°, Freeport
Barry D. Weer, 33°, Bloomington
and myself, Donald L. Anderson, 33°, Moline

Let us also honor those Brothers who are members of the Council of Deliberation and have received the Distinguished Service Award in previous years. Those of you in attendance, please stand when your name is called:

Charles F. Gambill, 33°
William E. Foose, 33°
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Marshall L. Hartman, 33°
Gregory L. Clark, 33°
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Barry D. Weer, 33°
Mark R. Hepner, 33°

Illustrious Brother Gregory L. Clark, 33°, please escort the Brother who is to receive the Distinguished Service Award for 2012 to the dais.

The Distinguished Service Award for the year 2011 is granted to

Illustrious Brother Robert K. Cronk, 33°
From the Valley of Freeport

Brother Cronk was born June 20, 1940 in Earlham, Iowa. Moving to Shirland, Illinois at a young age, he attended school and graduated from Hononegah High School in Rockton, Illinois. His education was completed at Rock Valley College, the University of Illinois, and Northwestern University. He served four years in the United States Air Force, after which he joined the Rockford Police Department, retiring as a Senior Detective after thirty years of service.

Brother Cronk was united in marriage to Karol Sornsins. He is the father of three children, Barbara, Robert, and James and two step-children, Kayelynn and Erica.

Brother Cronk began his Masonic career with the Star in the East Lodge #166 in Rockford, serving twice as Master. He is a dual member of E.F.W. Ellis Lodge #633, presently serving as Junior Warden. He has served the Grand Lodge of Illinois as District Deputy Grand Master and also as Area Deputy Grand Master.

Robert is a past Sovereign Prince of the Freeport Council of Princes of Jerusalem and is a past Commander-in-Chief of Freeport Consistory. He is active in degree work as an actor and as a director. Brother Cronk was created a Sovereign Grand Inspector General, Thirty-third Degree Honorary Member of the Supreme Council in 2004.

Bob was exalted in Winnebago Chapter #24 in Rockford and has served the Chapter as Excellent High Priest, receiving the Order of High Priesthood. He has been District Deputy Grand High Priest for the Grand Chapter of Illinois.

He was greeted in Rockford Council #30, twice serving the Council as Thrice Illustrious Master. Bob received the Super Excellent Masters Degree in Chicago, and has been greeted by the Council of Past Thrice Illustrious Masters.

Brother Cronk was knighted in Crusader Commandery #17 in Rockford. He is a plural member of Austin Commandery #84 in Glen View; also Blaney Commandery #5 in Tremont; and St. George Commandery #76 in Lima, Ohio. He was elected to the Grand Commandery line of Illinois and served as the Right Eminent Grand Commander in 1996. He currently serves the Grand Commandery as Grand Recorder. Bob received the Knight Commander of the Temple Award in 1997. During 2001 to 2003 he served the Grand Encampment of the United States of America as the Grand Banner Bearer. He is presently the East Central Department Commander of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States, holding jurisdiction over six states.

Other Masonic affiliations and service include: Tabala Shrine, served as President of the Past Masters Club and currently as secretary; Past Sovereign of Holy Trinity Conclave Red Cross of Constantine; Illinois Priory #11 Knights York Cross of Honor; Past Governor of Blackhawk York Rite College #88, receiving the Purple Cross in 1992; Past Excellent Chief of Tracy O'Galoway Council #40 Knight Masons; Frank S. Land Council Order of DeMolay, receiving the Honorary Legion of Honor in 1995; current Preceptor of Simon Peter Tabernacle XXII Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests, received the Grand Cross in 2000; College of Rites of the United States of America, presented the Grand Cross in 1999; Chartering Sovereign Master of Ulysses S. Grant Council #370 Allied Masonic Degrees, receiving the Red Branch of Erie in 1998; Order of the Secret Monitor; Order of Cork; Order of Bath; Illinois College of Societas Rosicruiana Cibitibus Foederatis, received in the Grand Council as an 8th Grade in 2000; Past Worthy Patron of Sterling Chapter #354, Order of Eastern Star.

Brother Cronk is a sixty year member of Shirland United Methodist Church, Shirland, Illinois. Other memberships include: Walter Graham American Legion Post #332, Rockton; Illinois Police Benevolent and Protective Association Unit #6; Rockford Retired Police Officers Association; Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie #392, Rockford, and Freeport Aerie #629; and B.P.O. Elks Lodge #617, Freeport.

Bob, it is my pleasure to greet you upon receiving the Distinguished Service Award for the Illinois Council of Deliberation.

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, please present Brother Robert K. Cronk a plaque and the Distinguished Service Award Medal as recognition of his outstanding achievement.



Ill. Benny L. Grisham, MSA, 33°, Deputy for Illinois presenting the Distinguished Service Award to Ill. Robert K. Cronk, 33°

CONFERRAL OF THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

Ill. Richard E. Hummel, MSA, 33°, Chairman, MSA Committee:

The recipients for the Meritorious Service Award are:

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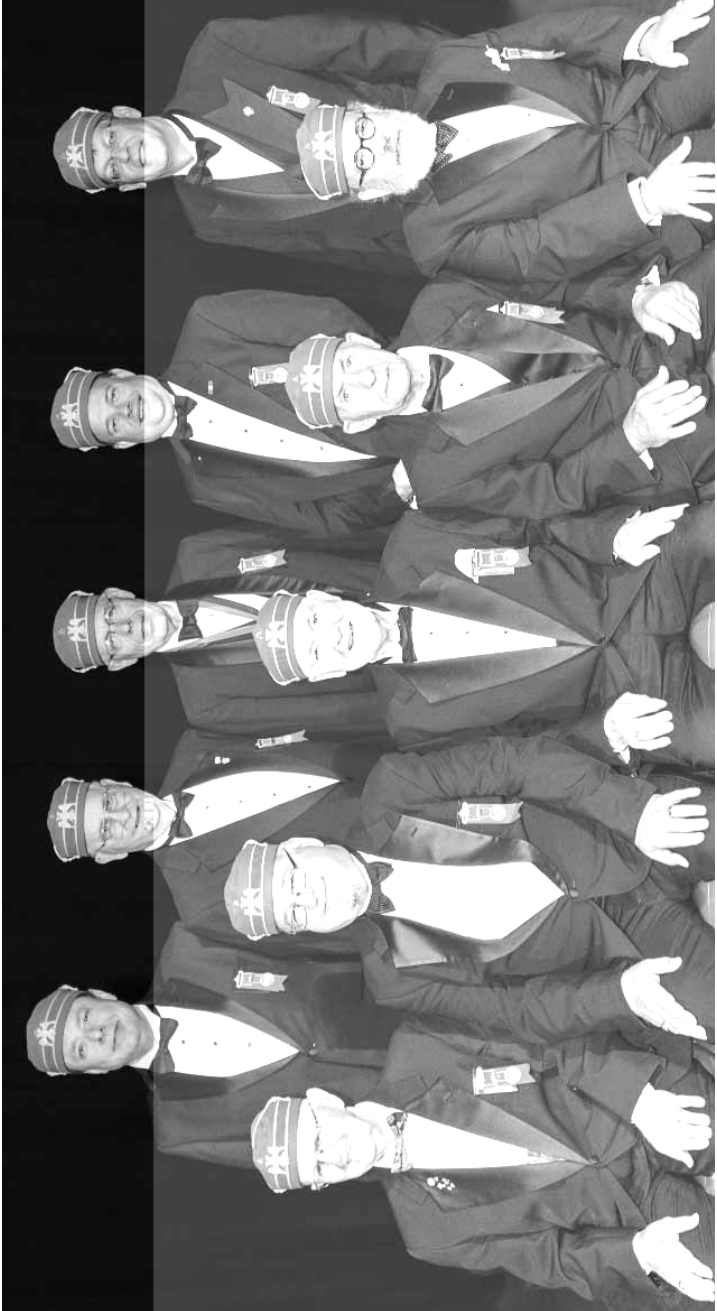
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The Meritorious Service Award was presented to the Class of 2012.


2012 MERITORIUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS



**2012 Nominees for Meritorious Service Award
to be awarded in 2013**


Barry Gene Carney, Valley of Bloomington
Bradley L. Baker, Valley of Chicago
Lance J. Welter, Valley of Chicago
Stephen Ross Cox, Valley of Danville
Michael T. Siedschlag, Valley of Freeport
Gregory Scott Washabaugh, Valley of Moline
Robert Francis Spencer, Valley of Peoria
Robert Cleveland Bedell, Valley of Quincy
Ray C. Shortridge, Valley of Quincy
Michael James Fitzpatrick, Valley of Southern Illinois
Scott R. Schuett, Valley of Springfield

Fraternally yours,

 *Benny L. Grisham*, MSA, 33°

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Illustrious Commander-in-Chief
Deputy for Illinois

Attest:

 *Gregory R. Klemm*, MSA, 33°

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Secretary


ILLINOIS MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS 2011–2012

	Beginning Membership	Initiations	Sum of Affi
Bloomington	1373	24	1397
Chicago	4051	245	4296
Danville	3128	53	3181
Freeport	1590	18	1608
Moline	975	10	985
Peoria	1784	21	1805
Quincy	965	13	978
Southern Illinois	3410	95	3505
Springfield	1806	32	1838
Total Illinois	19082	511	19593

SUMMARY STATISTICS OF MEMBERSHIP DATA

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Chicago	5484	5206	5133	5076	4492	4400	4266	4174	4160	4051	4073
gain	697	278	73	57	584	92	134	92	14	109	22
% gain	11.3	5.1	1.4	1.1	11.5	2.0	3.0	2.2	0.3	2.6	.5
Quincy	1273	1243	1197	1187	1147	1087	1049	1037	981	965	924
loss	59	30	46	10	40	60	38	12	56	16	41
% loss	4.4	2.4	3.7	0.8	3.4	5.2	3.5	1.1	5.4	1.6	4.2
Freeport	2584	2462	2313	2209	2091	1925	1828	1781	1680	1590	1469
loss	133	122	149	104	118	166	97	47	101	90	121
% loss	4.9	4.7	6.1	4.5	5.3	7.9	5.0	2.6	5.7	5.4	7.6
Peoria	3056	2887	2686	2629	2374	2252	2082	2030	1842	1784	1723
loss	255	169	201	57	255	122	170	52	188	58	61
% loss	7.7	5.5	7.0	2.1	9.7	5.1	7.5	2.5	9.3	3.1	3.4
Danville	4798	4779	4762	4215	3932	3673	3479	3437	3292	3128	2989
loss	163	19	17	547	283	259	194	42	145	164	139
% loss	3.3	0.4	0.4	11.5	6.7	6.6	5.3	1.2	4.2	5.0	4.4
Springfield	2842	2573	2491	2432	2272	2152	1981	1968	1870	1806	1764
loss	135	269	82	59	160	120	171	13	98	64	42
% loss	4.5	9.5	3.2	2.4	6.6	5.3	7.9	0.7	5.0	3.4	2.3
Southern IL	5627	5140	4941	4932	4512	4288	4010	3775	3512	3410	3266
loss	141	487	199	9	420	224	278	235	263	102	144
% loss	2.4	8.7	3.9	0.2	8.5	5.0	6.5	5.9	7.0	2.9	4.2
Bloomington	2061	1986	1903	1830	1766	1656	1580	1515	1445	1373	1336
loss	147	75	83	73	64	110	76	65	70	72	37
% loss	6.7	3.6	4.2	3.8	3.5	6.2	4.6	4.1	4.6	5.0	2.7
Moline	1522	1458	1378	1351	1275	1184	1122	1112	1026	975	921
loss	81	64	80	27	76	91	62	10	86	51	54
% loss	5.1	4.2	5.5	2.0	5.6	7.1	5.2	0.9	7.7	5.0	5.5
Totals	29247	27734	26804	25861	23861	22617	21397	20829	19808	19082	18465
% Loss	-5.8	-5.2	-3.4	-3.5	-7.7	-5.2	-5.4	-2.7	-4.9	-3.7	-3.2
% GL Mem	36.1	36.0	35.5	34.9	32.8	31.7	30.7	30.4	29.0	28.3	
Grand Lodge	80936	77072	75526	74206	72793	71241	69703	68562	68308	67457	
% loss	-5.6	-4.8	-2.0	-1.7	-1.9	-2.1	-2.2	-1.6	-0.4	-1.2	
Loss	-4776	-3864	-1546	-1320	-1413	-1552	-1538	-1141	-254	-851	

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In Memoriam

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F. James Snyder
Born February 16, 1928 Died May 11, 2011

PEORIA
Marion J. Goeken
Born November 19, 1921 Died August 6, 2011

FREEPORT
Robert C. Bast
Born August 16, 1922 Died August 20, 2011



QUINCY
Wilbur T. Hetzler
Born September 17, 1925 Died September 24, 2011

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS
Ronald W. Miller
Born April 10, 1941 Died September 30, 2011

QUINCY
Donald R. Moore
Born April 9, 1927 Died October 3, 2011

CHICAGO
Earl R. Nelson
Born September 30, 1931 Died October 7, 2011

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**In
Memoriam**

BLOOMINGTON
Viggo J. Frost
Born April 26, 1919 Died October 20, 2011

BLOOMINGTON
David A. Patterson
Born October 12, 1931 Died October 27, 2011

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS
Marshall L. Hartmann
Born June 21, 1929 Died November 4, 2011



CHICAGO
Severo K. Guerrero, Jr.
Born August 30, 1924 Died December 20, 2011

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS
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Born December 26, 1926 Died January 20, 2012

PEORIA
Charles R. Smith
Born December 31, 1923 Died January 24, 1931

QUINCY
John C. Irwin
Born June 17, 1922 Died January 25, 2012

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In Memoriam

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Born September 26, 1919 Died February 9, 2012

CHICAGO
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Born August 12, 1923 Died March 5, 2012

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS
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MOLINE
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Born November 30, 1921 Died March 17, 2012

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1972 Allen Morley Hicks	2000 Robert Alex Rylowicz
1973 Edward Adam Millar	2000 Richard Ralph Salsbury
1977 Elmer William Gielow, Jr., MSA	2001 Lee Albert Daniels
1977 Lawrence Dexter Inglis, Active	2001 Richard Lewis Swaney
1980 Sheridan Ostrander	2002 John Michael Cozzie
1981 Burt Allan Polk	2002 Richard Randall Gordon
1982 Bruce Desmond Hudson	2002 Michael John Molloy
1982 Kenneth Peter Johnson, MSA	2004 John Michael Lucas
1984 Richard Jay Elrod	2004 Paul Dunn Lynch, Jr.
1985 Charles Franklin Gambill	2004 Macario J. Ramos, Jr.
1986 Edward Earle Hall	2004 Martin Patrick Starr
1987 Robert Michael Lang	2005 William Charles Aylesworth, MSA
1988 Dale Raymond Bennett, MSA	2005 Dwaine Andrew Churma
1988 George Jovanovich, MSA	2005 Wallace Burton Dunn
1988 Charles Richard Neumann	2005 David Paul Miller
1990 Edward Henry Rensi	2005 John Thomas Phillips, Active
1991 Stephen Robert Greenberg, MSA	2005 Richard J Stephenson
1991 James Brooks Stoner	2005 William Edgar Tienken
1992 Charles Martin Larson	2005 Cary Mitchell Willis
1992 Thomas Willard O'Connor	2006 Gerald Dean Carlton, MSA
1992 James Peyton Philip, Jr.	2006 Russell L. Schlosser
1992 James Orville Potter	2006 Roy L. Stastny, MSA
1992 Harry Albert Volkman	2007 Anthony R. Cracco
1993 Edwin Feldman	2007 Marvin L. Selock
1993 Stewart Beryl Smith	2007 J. Robert Stockner
1993 Charles Henry Sullins	2008 Richard T. Carnall, MSA
1994 James Edward Durbin, MSA	2008 Robert O. Kuehn
1994 James William Patton	2009 Robert B. DeMent, Jr.
1995 Gregory R. Klemm, MSA	2009 Daryl W. Selock, MSA
1995 Allen R. Kohn, MSA	2010 Carl H. Anderson, MSA
1996 Richard A. Yena	2010 Johnathan E. Barnes
1997 Lee Bradley	2010 Noel J. Kalis, MSA
1997 Hugh A. Cole, MSA	2011 John Thomas Edward Dowling
1997 Frank J. Roth	2011 Ahmad Maaz Hassan
1998 Ronald S. Bowker	2011 Donald Henry Helmig, MSA
1998 Wallace J. Buya	2011 Frank Paul Lasick, Jr., MSA
1998 Henry C. Tonigan, III	2011 James Howard Oehler, MSA
1999 Robert A. Alley	2011 Walter William Pierce
2000 Claude Jefferson Bird	2011 John D. Revere, MSA
2000 Royale Lee Epperson II	2011 William John Smith, MSA

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

1967	George P. Burmeyer	1996	Michael D. Ewing
1978	William Edward Foose	1999	Leonhard E. Wild, Jr.
1981	Henry Otto Wiegmann	2000	James Frederick Albsmeyer
1982	Roy Marlin Gates	2000	Richard Eugene Northern
1986	James Maurice Lantz	2002	Melvin John Niekamp
1989	Lorenz John Lepper	2005	Marvin Tjark Johnson
1991	Larry William Gorrel	2005	Don Franklin Lair, Sr.
1991	Michael Brent Myers	2006	Steven F. Schott
1992	Paul Ernest Mealiff	2007	Dean M. Heitz
1992	John Robert Loudon, Jr.	2008	Stanley L. Davidson
1992	Henry Jay Sade	2010	Pressly Alvin Laird
1993	Samuel Boyd Smith, Sr.	2011	Thomas Tjark Johnson
1994	Terry J. Vance	2011	William Owen Mays, Jr., MSA
1995	Terry J. Coker		

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

1965	Rodney Derby Hewins	1998	Lee B. Lockwood, Active
1974	Allen Yunpui Pang	2000	Wilbur Neil Brown
1975	Stanley Lewis Meyers	2000	Herbert Hoover Frank
1975	John Albert Reining	2001	Jeffrey Whitten Miller
1978	Loren Eugene Gambrel	2002	Joel Duane Scheider
1982	Stanley Ernest Smith	2004	Robert K. Cronk
1984	Nord Lee Swanstrom	2005	Christopher Hans Cronau
1984	Quentin Eugene Valkema	2005	Robert Earl Martin, Jr.
1985	Harold E. Witte, Past Active	2005	Dean Gerald White
1986	William Eugene Wenger	2006	Gregory A. Dunham
1987	Arnold Meyers, Jr.	2007	Mark D. Lower
1988	Mark Burton McLeRoy	2008	Manfred L. Lindow
1991	Arthur Alexander Babbitt	2010	Donald Edwin Kimes
1991	Ronald Vernon Cronau	2010	Robert B. Wells
1994	John William Bracken	2011	Ronald Eugene Asche
1995	James A. Datt	2011	Roger Allen Carson
1996	Glen D. Ballinger		

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1964 Robert Frederick Voss	1994 Lawrence Wayne Blue, II
1976 Phillip C. Kenney, Active Emeritus	1995 Kenneth Jack Newell
1977 Stephen Michael Burroughs	1996 Robert Frederick Lindberg
1977 Dick Jerome Carroll	2000 James Aloysius Maloof
1979 Ira Leon Galloway	2000 Medley Arden Tornow
1979 Gary Deane Hermann	2000 Jeffrey Wayne Winberry
1980 Burton Lavern Hasselberg	2001 Michael Patrick McCuskey
1982 Jerry Walters Winberry	2002 Eric LaVerne Johnson
1983 Lynn Norbert Banta	2004 John Lorenz Becker
1984 James Killian Hender	2005 Earl Floyd Wys
1985 William Gregory Light	2006 Gary Nicholas Graff
1985 William Henry McDaniels	2006 Richard E. Hummel
1988 James Fulker Wise	2006 John W. Sutherland
1990 John Benjamin Hall	2007 Michael C. Hinds
1991 Leslie Irving Casali	2008 Robert H. Orrill
1991 Thomas Clyde Duncan	2010 Edward E. Derry
1992 James Dee Heiple	2010 Terry L. Seward
1992 Quentin Howard Willman	2011 Michael Dee Connors
1992 Thomas Lee Yingling	2011 William John Shaner
1993 Louis Donald Shuford	2011 Darrell Truman Vierling

DANVILLE

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1971 William Howard Jump	1989 Adrian Lyle Lipscomb
1973 Joseph Wesley Ethridge, Jr.	1990 John Ernest Larsen
1975 Harold Ray Greer	1990 Oscar Otto Martin
1977 Herman Dale Brown	1991 Noel Charles Dicks
1978 Robert Thomas Byrket	1991 Robert Edwin Ford
1980 George Logan Randall	1991 George Robert Stahl
1981 J. Garrie Burr	1991 Gary Keith Stewart
1981 Alva Haden Montgomery, Jr.	1993 Bryan Stephen Daugherty
1981 Harry Clifford Kuchenbrod	1994 Clay Alfred Niehaus
1983 William Eugene Barnes	1994 John Allen Mauck
1983 Walter Ernest Thiede	1995 John William Deck
1983 Kenneth Glenn Easton	1997 Jimmey Lee Kaiser
1967 Robert Charles Smith	1997 Frank Russell Young
1984 Robert Leslie Hible	1998 Mark D. Paunicka
1985 Harold Eugene Easton	1999 Joseph W. Eaton
1985 Stephen Richard Gorman	1999 Terry L. Hackett
1985 William Jackson Jones	1999 Thomas A. Sheppard
1986 Ervin Robert Pape, III	1999 Robert L. Stutesman
1986 George Robert Weller	1999 James L. Tungate, Active
1987 George M. Tinchler	2000 Stephen Robert Faulkner
1989 John Leroy Clingan	2000 James Russell Salrin
1989 David Lawrence Copas	2000 Bruce Coleman Stark
1989 Robert Earl Jones	2001 John Thomas Barrett

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2002 William Byron Black	2006 Brian L. Pettice
2003 Jon Alan Cole	2006 Bruce W. Rhinehart
2003 Jeffrey Vernon Stahl	2007 Terry D. Cox
2003 William Jess Warmoth	2007 Paul F. Noerenberg
2004 Albert William Swope	2007 James D. Goodwine
2005 Clark Erwin Erickson	2008 Rex William Richards, Jr.
2005 Jerry Michael Haynes	2009 Robert L. Blacketer
2005 William Jene Hussey, Jr.	2009 Robert M. Hopkins
2005 Thomas Andrew Nimrick	2010 Jerry H. Askren
2005 John Charles Piland	2011 Darrell Michael Brandenburg
2005 Jeffrey Eugene Wheatley	2011 Todd Edwin Creason
2006 Richard L. Clark	2011 Larry Scott Niccum

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1968 William Kent Stephens	1994 Michael Charles Farrara
1972 Clarence Austell Dempsey, Jr.	1994 Steven Franklin Kibler
1976 E. Gene Ross	1995 Gary L. Alves
1977 Thomas Joseph Barschak	1996 Edward D. Allan
1979 Robert J. Kirkpatrick	1996 Irvin C. Slate, Jr.
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1980 Hallie Fred Lewis	1998 Ferd C. Kaufman
1981 Gene Terry Morris	1999 Ralph A. Bauer
1981 Donald Ralph Lienesch	1999 Robert D. Field
1982 Joseph William Barnes, Jr.	2000 John Naum Bellcoff
1982 Richard A. Martin	2000 Harry Lee Crisp II
1982 Doyne Edmond Winterrowd	2000 Wayne George Forcade, MSA
1983 Charles Gustav Kurrus, III	2000 Frank Edward Martinez, MSA
1984 Vernon Lee Dennis	2000 David Wayne Matzenbacher, MSA
1985 Kelly John Hogan	2000 Gary Alan Popp
1986 William Charles Dallas	2001 B. Lee Reeves, MSA
1987 A. Thomas Walter	2002 Robert Jay Caraway
1989 Donald Eugene Crisel	2004 Thomas Aldredge Holbrook
1989 Richard Barnes Barnett	2004 Raphael Jude LaPorte
1990 Henry Garrett River, Jr.	2005 Robert Frederick Buck, MSA
1991 Charles Edwin Hileman, Jr.	2005 Doyle William Clubb, Sr., MSA
1991 David Lynn McCann	2005 Brian Kelly Cutler, MSA
1991 Roderick Jay Patefield	2005 Ronald Lee Dennis
1992 Gary George Harris	2005 Paul Louis Kueker, MSA
1993 Ferdinand Charles Goewert	2005 John Robert Stephens, MSA
1993 Kurt Robert Grosse	2005 Jeffrey Carl Thomas
1993 Myrle James Heatherly, Sr.	2006 Mack Marshall Farmer

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2007 Randall R. Milone	2011 Joseph Anthony Diliberto
2007 Vernon R. Landers	2011 Donald Lee Leibenguth
2007 Richard L. Adams	2011 Kenneth Norman Overturf, MSA

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1970 Norman Ray Buecker, Active Emeritus	1998 Thomas J. Lucchesi
1972 William Richard Schnirring	1998 David W. Miller
1973 James Oliver Orr, Jr.	1998 William L. Neuman
1978 Wayne Calhoun Temple	2000 Jeffery Duncan Derrick
1980 David Harold Cramer	2001 Lee E. Morris
1980 Robert Warren Deffenbaugh	2002 James Joslyn Moses, Jr.
1983 Benny Lamar Grisham, Active	2003 Robert Paul Weichert
1983 Robert Sinclair Savage	2004 Wilbert Wendell Martel
1987 Bruce Scott Melton	2005 Franklin Eugene Cline
1988 Charles Harper Banning, Jr.	2005 William Dale Graber
1989 Merle Lee Kirby	2005 Joseph Willard Lucas
1990 Robert Allan Stuart, Jr.	2006 David Eric Purdy
1991 Floyd Eugene Pettit	2006 Steven Louis Walls
1991 Kenneth Lyle Shewmaker	2007 August A. Candioto, Jr.
1992 David Lee Snyder	2008 Robert Brent Powers
1993 Loren Irvin Barnes	2010 Danny R. Coker
1993 Robert Howard Scott	2010 Kenneth L. Morey
1994 Harris Hickock Hatcher	2010 Gerry L. Williams
1994 Richard Henry Mills	2011 Michael Eugene Donaker, Sr.
1995 Kevin W. Campbell	2011 Eugene Gyure Jr., MSA
1996 Phillip S. Pinney	2011 Craig Eugene Sullivan Sr., MSA

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1969 Harold Floyd Gullett	1996 Larry Edward LaBounty
1971 Orvid Vernel Lancaster	1999 Andy Howard 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 Lloyd Grimm
1985 Norman Lee Meade	2004 Albert William Swope
1986 Chester Walden Crouch	2005 Steven Craig Nicholson
1986 Robert Henry Wright	2006 Billy M. Burden
1988 Gregory Lee Clark	2006 Robert Thomas Trefzger
1989 Robin Lee Carr	2007 George Frederick Perkins
1989 Douglas Eric Williams	2008 Stanley Phillip Boyd
1990 Norman Ray Madison	2010 Roger Fred Aukerman
1990 David Edward Young	2011 Bernard M. North
1991 Ronald Franklin Lowery	2011 Kenneth Russell Pfeifer

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1978 Roland Everett Mose	2000 Grady Matthew Birdsell
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1989 William Henry Bruce	2006 Mark Robert Hepner, MSA
1990 Lloyd Thomas Balmer	2006 David Keith Poffenbarger
1992 Donald Lyle Anderson	2007 Arthur J. Hemm, MSA
1992 Ronald Eugene Fullerlove	2007 George F. Perkins
1992 Harry Elam Hamilton, Jr.	2008 David L. Newton, MSA
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1994 Johnny Arthur Wagner	

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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
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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
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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.....	Danny J. Leifel, 33°	Valley of Bloomington
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2012.....	Robert K. Cronk, 33°	Valley of Freeport

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1978 Stephen R. Greenberg	2002 Alan P. Taylor
1979 Kenneth Peter Johnson	2003 Anthony R. Oliver
1981 Dale Raymond Bennett	2003 Edward A. Rund
1981 Gerald Dean Carlton	2003 Martin G. Vilimek
1981 George Jovanovich	2004 Marion E. Bell
1983 Homer Allison Guy	2004 Read L. Rogers
1984 Eugene C. Thornton	2004 Loren S. Wright
1985 James Edward Durbin	2005 Ponciano S. Cochon, Sr.
1985 Russell Otto Hoepfner	2005 Jay Faermark
1986 Hugh Audas Cole	2005 John D. Revere
1988 Carl Henry Anderson	2006 Daryl W. Selock
1988 Donald Henry Helmig	2006 William J. Smith
1988 James Kimura	2006 Edward C. Steffy
1989 Warren Lee Jinks	2006 Edward J. Witas, III
1989 Chester Peck Smith	2007 Arthur R De Baere
1990 Randall William Becker	2007 Frank P. Lasick, Jr.
1990 Gregory Robert Klemm	2007 James H. Oehler
1990 Robert G. Proudfoot	2007 Frank S. Winans
1990 Raymond H. Rickhoff	2008 Noel J. Kalis
1991 Richard Thomas Carnall	2008 George S. Nelson
1992 Allen Robert Kohn	2009 Donald R. Carruthers
1997 Robert H. Siever	2009 Manuel M. Roth
1998 John J. Faklis	2010 Charles George Smith
1998 Roy L. Stastny	2010 Delbert Erle Yarnell
2001 Sam V. Loiacono	2011 Gonzalo J. Meza
2002 William C. Aylesworth	2012 Donald Edward B. Esser
2002 Richard S. Cackovic	

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1983 Donald Arthur Brown	2002 Pressly A. Laird
1983 Larry John Lepper	2003 Randy M. Zaerr
1987 Terry Jay Coker	2004 Denver L. Echternkamp
1989 Henry Jay Sade	2005 Russell A. Lawson
1992 Charles William Duesdieker Jr.	2006 Dean Heitz
1993 Jerry Lee Wells	2008 James B. Otto
1994 James Frederick Albsmeyer	2009 Frank E. Baumgartner
1995 Don Franklin Lair, Sr.	2010 Charles Edward Mullens
1997 Truman J. Conner	2011 John Terry Dozier
1998 Frank W. Turnbull	2012 Lawrence Nicholas Weisinger
1999 William O. Mays, Jr.	

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MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

1974 Vernon M. Prestegaard	2002 Daniel R. Hartman
1975 Ross E. Niebergall	2002 Darrell K. Stephens
1981 Homer Leroy Snyder	2003 Charles A. Brown
1985 Irvin Richard Cuthbertson	2004 Frederick E. Schubert
1986 Karl Leon Trester	2005 Elbert D. Barrett
1991 William James Tate, Sr.	2005 John J. Kempel
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
1995 Henry Nathaniel Wilson	2009 Richard C. Lyons
1996 Earl Victor Fulling	2010 Keith Donovan Oehmke
1996 Donald Edwin Kimes	2011 Frank L. Rutter, Jr.
1999 Craig R. Sand	2012 Don Robert Kubik

PEORIA

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

1960 Robert Frederick Voss	1992 Paul Dean Thatcher, Sr.
1973 Phillip Charles Kenney	1993 Robert Hugh Orrill
1974 Burton L. Hasselberg	1997 Michael Craig Hinds
1975 Stephen M. Burroughs	2001 James D. Durham
1978 James Fulker Wise	2002 Robert L. Cook
1979 Jerry Walters Winberry	2002 Richard E. Hummel
1980 Lynn Norbert Banta	2003 Edward E. Derry
1980 Gary Homer Hamm	2004 Lawrence R. Eskridge
1980 Louis Donald Shuford	2005 Edward A. Gienow
1980 Kenneth Drake Swords	2005 G. Nick Graff
1981 Thomas Clyde Duncan	2005 John W. Sutherland
1981 William Gregory Light	2006 David Luther McKinney
1982 Tom Velon	2007 Howard Wayne Hoffman
1983 John Lorenz Becker	2009 Donald F. Edwards
1983 Raymond C. Eyster, Jr.	2010 Bradley William Poff
1984 Donald Bruce Naderhoff	2011 John rollie Levingston
1987 Leslie Irving Casali	2012 Fred Junior Allen
1988 Quentin Howard Willmam	2012 Dempsey Woodrow Cochran
1991 Jay Phillip Parker	

DANVILLE

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

1972 Everett Russell Fuller	2001 Jimmie D. Gilliland
1976 Phillip Eugene Elder	2001 Henry Walsh
1980 John Leroy Clingan	2002 Larry Gene Mason
1986 Francis Wayne Bariether	2002 Seigel Howard Hall
1988 Raymond B. Smith	2002 Richard Carter Helck
1988 Robert Lee Stutesman	2002 Paul Murrah
1989 Russell LeRoy Burgin	2003 Phillip L. Green
1990 Harry Franklin Muller, Jr.	2003 David L. Evans
1991 Donald Meddie Bertrand	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
1997 Lowell Dee Hill	2005 John T. Orme
1998 James Alden Evans	2005 James E. Pierce
1999 Gene L. Quick	2006 Kevin J. Brown
1999 Ralph D. Portlock	2006 William A. Harrison
2000 Sammie H. Robinson	2006 Montell J. Smith
2000 Benny A. Stutesman	2007 Ronald R. Boswell
2000 Ronald E. Stutesman	2007 Ronald R. Colwell

DANVILLE—Continued

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

2007 Mitchell L. Duszynski	2009 Michael J. Ryder
2007 J. Stratton Watson	2010 Daniel Henry Schlorff
2008 John M. "Jack" Dolan	2011 Cecil R. Rabourn
2008 David T. Richardson	2012 Ronald W. Vallangeon

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

1973 Thomas J. Barschak	1997 Benjamin E. Ward
1975 Hallie Fred Lewis	1998 Roy B. Patton
1980 Jack D. Scoville	1998 Robert G. Spencer
1981 William Charles Dallas	1998 James O. Thompson
1981 Leon Martin Welch	1999 Franklin L. Porch
1982 Albert Thomas Walter	1999 B. Lee Reeves
1983 Donald Eugene Crisel	1999 Carrol R. Sinks, Jr.
1984 Mark Steven Szoke	2002 Louis Holcman
1985 Charles E. Hileman, Jr.	2002 Brian K. Cutler
1986 James R. Turner	2002 Paul L. Kueker
1987 Richard Barnes Barnett	2003 John R. Stephens
1988 Gary Joseph Buckrod	2003 Donald R. Phipps
1988 John William Craver	2003 William Osborn
1988 Ervin Odell Schultz	2004 Steven E. Kraus
1989 Cullen Clarence Clauser	2004 Mark P. Maxwell
1989 Eddie Eugene Turner	2004 Darrell E. Smith
1990 Gerald Roy Armstrong	2005 Walter R. Beatty
1991 Russell Lee Hauser	2005 Larry L. Johns
1992 Richard Leroy Adams	2005 Kenneth W. Oakley
1992 Mack Marshall Farmer	2005 Melvis F. Stephens
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 Robert Wayne Triplett	2007 Lee Roy Sauzek
1995 Robert T. Ferguson	2008 Adrian E. Croissant, Jr.
1995 David W. Matzenbacher	2008 Ronald C. Jestes
1996 Robert F. Buck	2009 Jeffrey L. Edwards
1996 Wayne G. Forcade	2010 James Milton Doan
1996 Robert B. LaSurs	2011 William C. Brown
1997 Doyle W. Clubb, Sr.	2012 Gregory William Giedeman
1997 Stephen R. Taylor	

SPRINGFIELD

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

1965	Norman Ray Buecker	1998	Larry Walsh
1977	Wayne Calhoun Temple	2000	Charles H. Siemer
1980	Benny Lamar Grisham	2000	Perrine E. Thompson
1980	John Richard Swinburne	2001	Robert Kalb
1981	Carlos Frank Baker	2002	Ronald G. Guppy, Sr.
1981	Leon Hacker	2003	Robert A. Hough
1983	Donald Eugene Mohr	2003	Frank M. Lane
1984	John Cameron Kinser	2004	Franklin E. Cline
1985	Merle Lee Kirby	2004	Benjamin Franklin Harmony
1988	Bernard Neal Birk	2004	John Thomas Hughes
1989	August A. Candioto, Jr.	2005	Eugene Gyure, Jr.
1990	Raymond Lowell Reed	2006	Gary Lee Williams
1991	Lon Douglas Burke	2007	Kraig E. Sullivan, Sr.
1993	Jack Lee Thompson	2007	G. Robert Turner
1994	William Dale Graber	2008	Bryan K. Hutchcraft
1995	Edward Allen Jackson	2008	G. Robert Turner
1996	Floyd Richard Carlson	2009	Craig A. Kennedy
1996	John Robert Funk	2010	Wilbur Judson Baumann
1997	Charles Melvin Adner	2012	Enrique J. Unanue
1997	Larry Alson Hamlin		

BLOOMINGTON

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

1981	Ivan Ernest Scott	2000	Marion Merle Murray
1982	Robert Eugene Jones	2001	Alan Joseph Leicht
1983	Ronald Franklin Lowery	2002	Roger Fred Aukerman
1983	Kenneth Wayne Smith	2002	Robert Glenn Leggett, Jr.
1984	Earnest Gene Vittitoe	2003	James Clifton Cloyd
1985	John Eugene Fry	2004	Paul Eugene Clark
1986	Danny Hirst Raber	2005	Richard Lee Carman
1989	James Oscar Sharp	2006	Ross Allen Funk
1991	Charles Hans Casperson	2007	Donald Gene Anderson
1992	Donald Eugene Mayol	2008	Dennis Dale Garrigus
1993	John Albert Hulett	2009	Richard Morris Erickson
1994	Darwin Dareyl Brown	2010	Dale Frederick Arbour
1995	Forrest Leland DeVore	2011	Bill Earl Tanner
1996	Donald Ray Gottselig	2012	Russell Allen McCulley
1998	Edwin B. Smiley		

MOLINE

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (LIVING)

1971 Roland Everett Mose	2000 Mark R. Hepner
1973 Gary Curtis Mitchell	2001 Arthur H. Hemm
1976 Lawrence Marvin Weiss	2002 David Newton
1982 Jay Mons Hawkinson	2003 Donald R. Wood
1984 Albert Halick Fitch	2004 Randy D. Fitch
1985 James Wayne Dellitt	2005 Lauren L. Crawford
1990 William Bervin Endres	2006 Arlo Ray Sloan
1991 Gregory George Lindsay	2007 Richard David Hacker
1991 Richard Norton Pierce	2008 Timothy J. Vice
1995 Arthur E. Hamman, Jr.	2009 Lawrence L. Smith
1996 Ernest S. Wedell, Jr.	2011 Marvin Ray Whittaker
1997 Robert L. Millikan	2011 Aubrey Covault, Jr.
1998 Alden Kipp	2012 Michael Ray Bertelsen
1999 Samuel L. Brooks	

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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
Bloomington	Stated	June 27, 2009
Normal (Southern Illinois).....	Stated	June 26, 2010
Normal (Quincy)	Stated	June 25, 2011
Bloomington (Chicago).....	Stated	June 30, 2012

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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
Ill. : Melvin Freirson, 33°	Deputy for Illinois, PHA	2009

*Deceased

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ACTIVE MEMBERS OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL FROM ILLINOIS

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

- Louis Ernest Hey—September 25, 1951-1962Springfield
- Fred Louis Wham—September 23, 1952-1967Southern Illinois
- Louis Lenway Williams—September 23, 1958-1973Bloomington
Deputy 1963-1971
Emeritus 1973-1990
- *Myron Kendall Lingle—September 24, 1963-1975Springfield
Deputy 1971-1974
- George Edward Burow—September 29, 1966-1984Danville
Deputy 1974-1981
- James Daniel Green—September 23, 1969-1976Chicago
Emeritus 1976-1985
- Arlo Ezekiel Bane—September 23, 1975-1981Bloomington
Emeritus
- Robert Bridges Perkins—September 23, 1975-1987Southern. Illinois
Deputy 1981-1986
Emeritus 1986-1987
- Robert Lee Giesel—September 30, 1976-1999Chicago
Deputy 1986-1992
Emeritus 1992-1999
- *Norman R. Buecker—September 29, 1981-Springfield
Deputy 1992-
- Phillip C. Kenney—September 26, 1985-Peoria
- Robert W. LaSurs—September 25, 1986-Southern Illinois
- Harold E. Witte—September 30, 1992-1995Freeport
Past Active 1995-
- *Lawrence D. Inglis—October 1, 1995Chicago
- Lee B. Lockwood—September 25, 2001Freeport
- James L. Tungate—September 25, 2001Danville
- *Benny L. Grisham—August 29, 2005Springfield
- John T. Phillips—August 29, 2006Chicago
- *Richard L. Swaney—August 28, 2011Chicago

*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
 * Richard L. Swaney

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

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RULES AND REGULATIONS of the Illinois Council of Deliberation

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

ARTICLE I

Title and Membership

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

ARTICLE II

Meetings

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

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

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

ARTICLE III **Officers of the Council**

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

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

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

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

ARTICLE IV **Jurisdiction and Powers**

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

ARTICLE V **Revenue**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

ARTICLE VI

Jurisdiction—Degrees and Members

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

ARTICLE VII

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

ARTICLE VIII

Discipline

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

ARTICLE IX

Committees

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

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

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

Commander-in-Chief (Deputy); and to make recommendations in respect thereto; and to report at each Annual Meeting of the Council. Its chairman and at least two (2) of its other members shall be learned and experienced in the law.

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

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

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

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

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

ARTICLE X

Meritorious Service Award

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

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

ARTICLE XI

Petitions for Degrees and Membership

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

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

ARTICLE XII

Amendments

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

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

ARTICLE XIII

Honorary Members

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

ARTICLE XIV
Subordinate Bodies

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

Supplement No. 11

RESTATED BY-LAWS
OF THE
ILLINOIS SCOTTISH RITE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

ARTICLE I
Purposes

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

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

ARTICLE II
Offices

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

ARTICLE III
Members

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

ARTICLE IV
Board of Directors

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

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

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

- 4.6 **MANNER OF ACTING.** The act of a majority of the Directors present at a meeting, at which a quorum is present, shall be the act of the Board of Directors, except where otherwise provided by law or these by-laws.
- 4.7 **VACANCIES.** Any vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors or any directorship to be filled by reason of an increase in the number of Directors, shall be filled by the Board of Directors. A Director elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired term of his predecessor in office.
- 4.8 **COMPENSATION.** No member of the Board of Directors shall receive any compensation at any time for his services in acting as such Director. No expense of any nature shall be paid to any Director for travel or otherwise, unless expressly authorized at a meeting of the Board of Directors.
- 4.9 **ACTION WITHOUT A MEETING.** Unless specifically prohibited by the Articles of Incorporation of 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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