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2011 - 2012 Officers

The following members have been nominated by the Officer Selection Committee to fill the elected and appointed Offices and will be officially seated on Tuesday, May 3, 2011.

TO SERVE PRESQUE ISLE LODGE OF PERFECTION, 14°

- * Bro. Herbert W. Armes, 32° Thrice Potent Master
- * Bro. David L. Adiutori, 32° Deputy Master
- * Bro. Michael L. DeDad, 32° Senior Warden
- * Bro. Robert R. Schofield, 32° Junior Warden
- Bro. Robert A. Oakley, 32° Orator
- Bro. Norman A. Schlosser, 32° Master of Ceremonies
- Bro. Gary A. Vrenna, 32° Captain of the Guard

TO SERVE ERIE COUNCIL, PRINCES OF JERUSALEM, 16°

- * Bro. Bradley C. Eaton, 32°, MSA Sovereign Prince
- * Bro. Thomas D. Watson, 32° High Priest
- * Bro. Travis A. Lynn, 32° Senior Warden
- * Bro. John D. Karr, 32° Junior Warden
- Bro. Frank A. Semelka, 32° Master of Ceremonies
- Bro. Larry K. Higgins, II, 32° Master of Entrance

TO SERVE ERIE CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX, 18°

- * Bro. David J. Lasher, 32° Most Wise Master
- * Bro. Harold G. Fried, 32° Senior Warden
- * Bro. Gerald J. Longo, 32° Junior Warden
- Bro. Eric G. Olsen, 32° Orator
- Bro. Peter M. Kraus, 32° Master of Ceremonies
- Bro. Steven M. Smith, 32° Captain of the Guard

TO SERVE ERIE CONSISTORY, 32°

- * Bro. Paul J. Gornall, 32° Commander-in-Chief
- * Bro. Russell K. McKinsey, 32°, MSA 1st Lieutenant Commander
- * Bro. Frank P. Ferraro, 32° 2nd Lieutenant Commander
- * Ill. Jesse J. Ferraro, 33°, MSA Trustee (Term 5/13)
- * Ill. Richard N. Fitzsimmons, 33° Trustee (Term 5/13)
- * Ill. Eric M. Marshall, 33°, MSA Trustee (Term 5/13)
- * Ill. William R. Cunningham, 33°, MSA Trustee (Term 5/13)
- Bro. Lyell P. Cook, 32° Orator
- Bro. Robert D. Gornall, Jr., 32°, MSA Chancellor
- Bro. John H. Daneri, 32°, MSA Master of Ceremonies
- Bro. James M. Bowers, 32° Engineer & Seneschal
- Bro. Roger A. Kuntz, 32° Captain of the Guard

TO SERVE ALL BODIES

- * Bro. Richard B. Elberfeld, Jr., 32° Secretary
- * Ill. Bro. Michael A. Koncewicz, 33°, MSA Treasurer
- Bro. Michael J. Latzer, 32° Hospitaler
- Bro. Alfred J. Johnson, 32°, MSA Tyler

* Elected Positions

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Since our last issue, these beloved Brethren have been called Home.

Bro. Clyde A. Wilkinson, 32°

Initiated A. .A. .S. .R April 26, 1955
Died October 23, 2009
A Member of Lawrence Lodge
No. 708 F. & A.M.
Erie, Pa.

Bro. Joseph R. Bricker, 32°

Initiated A. .A. .S. .R April 24, 1976
Died February 14, 2011
A Member of
Tyrian-Commonwealth Lodge
No. 362 F. & A.M.
Erie, Pa.

Bro. John H. Lester, 32°

Initiated A. .A. .S. .R October 23, 1976
Died February 26, 2011
A Member of Perry Keystone Lodge
No. 392 F. & A.M.
Erie, Pa.

Bro. William B. Tucker, 32°

Initiated A. .A. .S. .R April 26, 1985
Died March 12, 2011
A Member of Western Star Lodge
No. 304 F. & A.M.
Albion, Pa.

Bro. Thomas C. Campbell, 32°

Initiated A. .A. .S. .R October 28, 1972
Died March 22, 2011
A Member of
Tyrian-Commonwealth Lodge
No. 362 F. & A.M.
Erie, Pa.

Bro. George Sevok, 32°

Initiated A. .A. .S. .R October 29, 1962
Died April 3, 2011
A Member of
Tyrian-Commonwealth Lodge
No. 362 F. & A.M.
Erie, Pa.

Bro. Robert W. Wallace, 32°

Initiated A. .A. .S. .R April 29, 1946
Died April 5, 2011
A Member of Lawrence Lodge
No. 708 F. & A.M.
Erie, Pa.

Bro. Edward P. Hilliker, 32°

Initiated A. .A. .S. .R April 25, 1970
Died April 14, 2011
A Member of North East Lodge
No. 399 F. & A.M.
North East, Pa.

Bro. James W. Sonney, 32°

Initiated A. .A. .S. .R April 23, 1956
Died April 18, 2011
A Member of Lawrence Lodge
No. 708 F. & A.M.
Erie, Pa.

“SPES MEA IN DEO EST” My hope is in God.

ALLEGIANCE

The Bodies of the Scottish Rite, sitting in the Valley of Erie, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acknowledge and yield allegiance to the Supreme Council, Thirty-third Degree, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America, whose Grand East is Lexington, Massachusetts, and whose Officers are:

Ill. John William McNaughton, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander
Ill. William L. McCarrier, 33°, Deputy for Pennsylvania

“Scottish Rite Masonry...the fraternity of choice.”

III. Bro. Richard Fitzsimmons Awarded Medal for Masonic Service Dinner on April 12th

About one hundred Masonic Brethren and their ladies attended a Masonic Service Medal presentation and dinner on April 12, 2011, in honor of Ill. Bro. Richard N. Fitzsimmons, 33°, District Deputy of the 24th Masonic District. Ill. Bro. Fitzsimmons was recognized for his years of dedicated service to the craft by awarding him the Scottish Rite Medal for Masonic Service. The Medal for Masonic Service is awarded to a Brother Mason who fully embodies the tenets of the Masonic fraternity. The awards presentation was made by Ill. Bro. P. Michael Nielsen, 33°, Active Member of Supreme Council of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, from Jamestown, New York.

Five other Brethren were recognized for their tireless service to the Valley of Erie and the principles of freemasonry. They are:

Bro. Alfred J. Johnson, 32°, MSA, Tyler and Robing Room 2004-2011

Bro. Richard A. Davis, 32°, MSA, Hospitaler 2006-2011

Ill. R. Perrin Baker, 33°, MSA, Trustee 2003-2011

Ill. Merle E. Wood, 33°, MSA, Trustee 2007-2011

Ill. Eric M. Marshall, 33°, MSA, Secretary 1998-2011

A hearty congratulations is wished to each of these dedicated Masons!



Ill. P. Michael Nielsen, 33°, Ill. Richard N. Fitzsimmons, 33°, Ill. Eric M. Marshall, 33°, MSA



Scholarship Foundation Awards Night June 7, 2011 at 7:30 PM



We are honored to have Erie County District Attorney John "Jack" Daneri, 32° as our speaker for Scholarship Night on Tuesday, June 7th at the Scottish Rite Building, 4701 Old Zuck Road. The Supreme Council Abbott Scholarship Award and the Valley of Erie Scholarship Foundation Awards will be presented. Students, parents, families, friends and members are cordially invited to attend. Refreshments and photographs will follow the awards ceremony.



Take Me Out to the Ball Game!



Reserve your tickets now for "Masonic Family and Friends Night" at Jerry Uht Park on Friday, July 15, 2011, at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$13 per person which includes a picnic outing and a reserved seat on the third base side. Root for the Seawolves with other Masons and their families! Make checks payable to "Valley of Erie" and drop off or mail to the Scottish Rite Office, PO Box 9007, Erie, PA 16505. Your tickets will be mailed to you. Deadline for payment is July 5th.

Masonic Family Waldameer Picnic - Sunday, August 7, 2011

Mark your calendars for the All-Masonic Family Waldameer Picnic coming up on Sunday, August 7th! This is without a doubt the biggest Masonic event held in Erie each year, with a picnic lunch from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. provided courtesy of our own Zem Zem and Scottish Rite Picnic Committee. More information will be in the next Scottish Rite News.

Annual "Drive for Dyslexia" Golf Tournament - Sunday, August 14, 2011

The Scottish Rite "Drive for Dyslexia" Charity Golf Tournament will be on Sunday, August 14, 2011, at Culbertson Hills Golf Course in Edinboro, PA. We are seeking companies and individuals to provide financial sponsorships and prizes. Charitable contributions made for this event will benefit the Compass Reading Center, the premier tutoring center in Erie for helping children overcome dyslexia. Please consider sponsoring and/or participating in this four person scramble with shotgun start at 9:00 a.m. Contact the Scottish Rite Office 835-0432 or Chairman Russell K. McKinsey, 32°, MSA, Potentate of Zem Zem Shrine if you wish to participate. More information will be in the next Scottish Rite News.



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What's Coming "Rite" Up?

- May 3 **Valley of Erie Scottish Rite Stated Meeting & Installation**, 7:30 p.m. at the Scottish Rite Bldg. Executive Board at 6:00 p.m.
- May 4 **DDGM Official Visit to Lake Erie Lodge No. 347 at Girard, PA**
- May 5 **DDGM Official Visit to Eureka Lodge No. 266 at Union City, PA**
- May 8 **Mother's Day!**
- May 30 **Memorial Day**
- June 7 **Valley of Erie Scholarship Foundation Awards Night**, 7:30 p.m. @ McClure Hall, Scottish Rite Building
- June 9 **DDGM Official Visit to Tyrian-Commonwealth Lodge no. 362 at Erie, PA**
- June 14 **DDGM Official Visit to Oasis Lodge No. 416 at Edinboro, PA and Flag Day!**
- June 19 **Father's Day!**
- June 25 **24th Masonic District All American Soap Box Derby**
- July 4 **Happy Fourth of July!**
- July 15 **2nd Annual "Masonic Fraternity Day at Jerry Uht Ballpark"**, Game time 7:05 p.m., \$13.00, Buffet at 6:00 p.m.
- Aug. 7 **All Masonic Family Picnic at Waldameer Park**
- Aug. 14 **Valley of Erie Scottish Rite Charity Golf** at Culbertson Hills Golf Course, Edinboro. Sponsorships/Donations tax deductible.
- Oct. 29 **Masonic One Day Class** at the Masonic Shrine, Erie, PA

STATED MEETINGS OF PRESQUE ISLE LODGE OF PERFECTION, 14° ERIE COUNCIL, PRINCES OF JERUSALEM, 16° ERIE CHAPTER ROSE CROIX, 18° ERIE CONSISTORY, 32°

will be held in joint session in McClure Hall,
Valley of Erie Scottish Rite Building
Tuesday, May 3, 2011 at 7:00 o'clock and 30 minutes p.m.

In addition to whatever business may come before them, there will be an installation of Officers in the Presque Isle Lodge of Perfection, 14°, Erie Council Princes of Jerusalem, 16°, Erie Chapter Rose Croix, 18°, and Erie Consistory, 32°, to serve these bodies for the 2011-12 Scottish Rite Year.

By Order of:

George A. Hulsinger, 32°, Thrice Potent Master
James M. Bowers, 32°, Sovereign Prince
John C. Churchill, 32°, MSA, Most Wise Master
David J. Roberts, Sr., 32°, MSA, Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

Ill. Eric M. Marshall, 33°, MSA, Secretary

Installation of Officers at approximately 8:15 p.m.
Refreshments following the Installation