

Scottish Rite News

Winter-2018

Valley of Erie, Pennsylvania

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*John H. Daneri, 33^o, MSA
Commander In Chief*

Greetings Brethren, it is a pleasure to serve the Valley of Erie as Commander In Chief of Erie Consistory. If you didn't make it to our Christmas party, you missed a good one!



We are looking forward to an enjoyable year of fraternity and brotherhood in 2018 kicking off with Stated Meetings on February 6th and March 6th and a Membership Dinner on April 3rd leading up to our Spring Reunion April 20-21.

**SPRING 2018 REUNION
FRI & SAT APRIL 20-21**

*"Be there or be Square
...and Compass!"*



*Come on out to a
meeting or a dinner.
Spend a little time
renewing old
friendships and making
new brothers for life!*



MEMBERSHIP DINNER

The Valley Membership Committee is sponsoring a Membership Dinner on **Tuesday April 3rd at 6 PM.** The event will begin with wine and appetizers followed by a full course buffet in McClure Hall and an informative program. Please invite a friend who is a mason to attend as your guest! Invitations are available in the office.

Valley of Erie Scottish Rite

*Presque Isle Lodge of
Perfection 4 – 14^o*

*Erie Council Princes of
Jerusalem, 15 - 18^o*

*Erie Chapter of Rose
Croix, 17 - 18^o*

Erie Consistory, 19 – 32^o

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Upcoming Events

Tuesday February 6, 2018

STATED MEETING 7:30 PM
Exec Meeting 6:00 PM
Lodge of Perfection Presiding

Tuesday, March 6, 2018

STATED MEETING 7:30 PM
Exec Meeting 6:00 PM
Princes of Jerusalem Presiding

Monday April 2, 2018

Scholarship Applications Due

Tuesday, April 3, 2018

MEMBERSHIP DINNER 6 PM
Members & Invited Guests

Friday, April 20, 2018

SPRING REUNION 7:00 PM
Degrees 4(v), 6, 14

Saturday, April 21, 2018

SPRING REUNION 8:30 AM
Degrees 20, 23, 32



Time to fill out Scholarship Applications!

The Scholarship Foundation of Erie Scottish Rite announces that Applications and instructions may be requested by sending an email to: eriescottishrite@gmail.com or call the office at 814-835-0432.

Erie Scottish Rite Masons in good standing may sponsor up to three applications for Erie or Crawford county students pursuing either undergraduate or graduate degrees for the 2018-19 year.

Applications must be received no later than April 2, 2018 with all required documents completed. Scholarships are granted in June.

New Membership Team with BIG Plans!

Officers Richard Fitzsimmons, Bernard Hanmore, and Russell McKinsey have been hard at work planning new initiatives for membership retention, recruiting and enhancement.

In the fall the executive board awarded Life Memberships for all members over the age of 90. They have also planned a Membership Dinner Tuesday April 3, 2018. Making membership more Inspirational, Convenient, and Enjoyable is the goal this year.

Hospitaller and “Elves” Spread Holiday Cheer and Benevolence

More than 175 tins of cookies were delivered to local Erie and Crawford county members over age 80 during the holidays...even with all the snow!

Many thanks to all the officers and “elves” for brightening the days of so many members.

Hospitaller S. James Schmittle began a popular new greeting card program for members who need a little encouragement.

Benevolence assistance was quietly awarded from the Grand Almoner and from the Erie Hospitaller Fund to members of our Valley this holiday season.

Please let the office know if a member or widow of a member is in need of a card or visit. If we don't know, we can't help!

Lots to Celebrate!



Presque Isle Lodge of Perfection celebrated its 130th Birthday in November!

In April we will celebrate the
100th Birthdays of
Erie Princes of Jerusalem
and
Erie Chapter of Rose Croix

**Looking for a Party Venue?
Book your next event at
Scottish Rite – 835-0432**



**Paul J. Gornall, 32^o, MSA
Valley Treasurer**

Paul Gornall, Valley Treasurer, sends his sincere thanks to those who faithfully pay your dues and make donations to our Valley funds. About 80% of the dues are in so far. Second dues billings are on their way for those who need a reminder.



Spring Reunion to focus on Six Core Values

You are not just a man, you are a MASON. That means you believe in noble ideals. The Core Values of the Scottish Rite are portrayed in the degrees of Freemasonry.

Justice, Integrity, Reverence for God, Devotion to Country, Toleration, and Service to Humanity are the six core values of the Scottish Rite.

Come and join your brethren on Friday and Saturday April 20-21 as we welcome new members and renew old friendships as we exemplify our core values.

HELP WANTED:

- Stage Crew for Reunion
- Robing Room Assistant
- Cast Members for 23rd Degree (“Four Chaplains”)
- Call Office 835-0432