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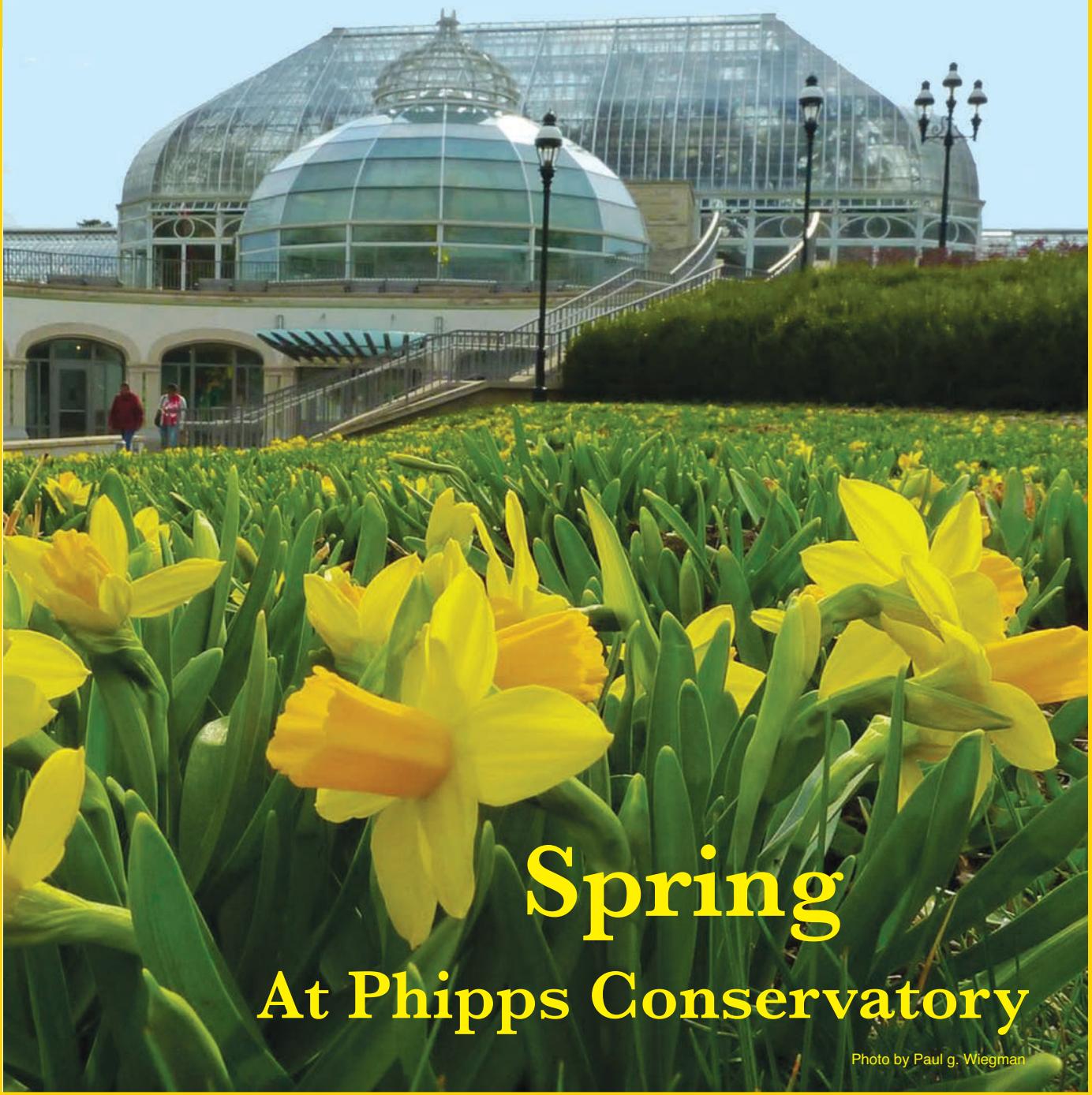
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Spring
At Phipps Conservatory

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Teaching children with dyslexia

The men and organizations pictured to the right are those who have made a \$10,000 or more commitment to support the Valley of Pittsburgh Children's Dyslexia Center Endowment Fund.

As Freemasons, we have always been benevolent and charitable. For Scottish Rite Masons, our Charity is to teach children with dyslexia how to read. It is important in giving them social confidence.

The teaching method is the Orton-Gillingham program. It is a one tutor – one student ratio. This method is very expensive but extremely effective. It costs approximately \$5,000 a year for each child. Our goal is to raise \$2,500,000 to endow the Children's Dyslexia Center for the future.

To make it easier to make this commitment, you can spread out your \$10,000 donation over a ten year period. Call Bro. Ray Dietz, 33°, at 412-369-9500 for information. The future of our children is our most important mission. I encourage each of you to have your picture on this page and be a BUILDER of this Masonic benevolence.

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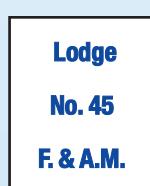
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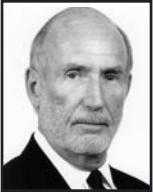
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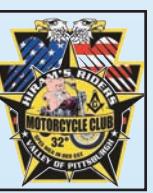
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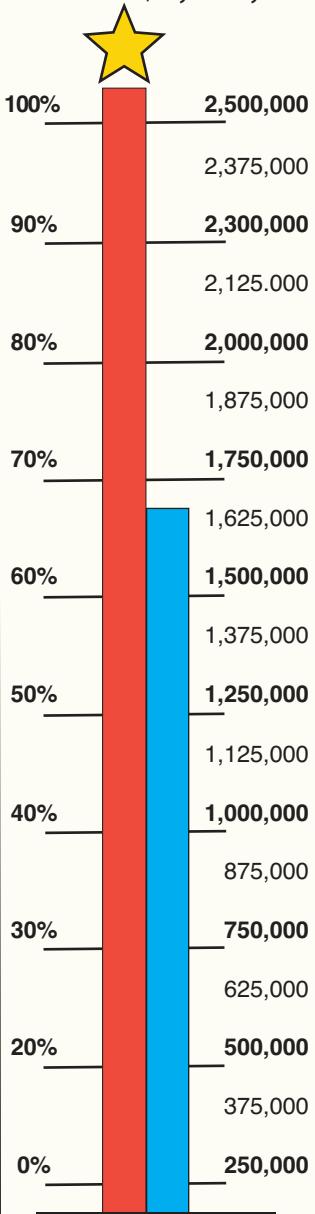
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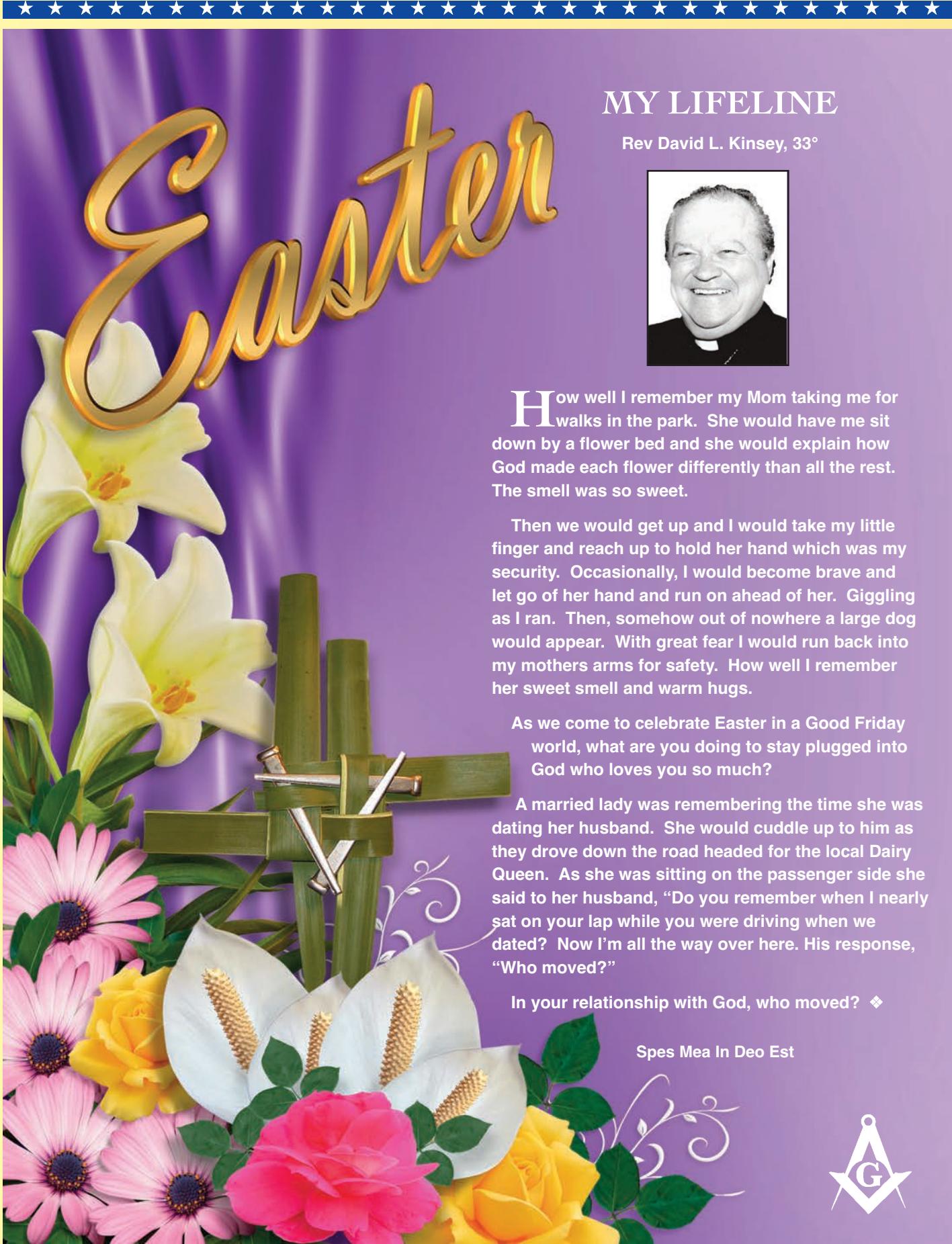
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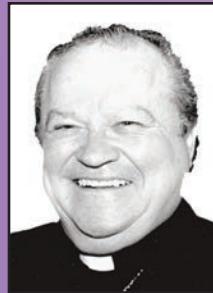
"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."

– Bro. Winston Churchill



MY LIFELINE

Rev David L. Kinsey, 33°



How well I remember my Mom taking me for walks in the park. She would have me sit down by a flower bed and she would explain how God made each flower differently than all the rest. The smell was so sweet.

Then we would get up and I would take my little finger and reach up to hold her hand which was my security. Occasionally, I would become brave and let go of her hand and run on ahead of her. Giggling as I ran. Then, somehow out of nowhere a large dog would appear. With great fear I would run back into my mothers arms for safety. How well I remember her sweet smell and warm hugs.

As we come to celebrate Easter in a Good Friday world, what are you doing to stay plugged into God who loves you so much?

A married lady was remembering the time she was dating her husband. She would cuddle up to him as they drove down the road headed for the local Dairy Queen. As she was sitting on the passenger side she said to her husband, “Do you remember when I nearly sat on your lap while you were driving when we dated? Now I’m all the way over here. His response, “Who moved?”

In your relationship with God, who moved? ♦

Spes Mea In Deo Est





Happy Easter



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Message from the Commander-in-Chief

Richard A. Rodibaugh, 33°
Commander-in-Chief



Every year, after a long winter, the earth turns to warmer temperatures and the Spring season. Flowers blossom, buds unfold to show their bright green leaves, and creatures come out of their hibernation. It is a time when the earth renews itself and inspires us with the beauty of God's creation. It is a time that offers our spirit a sense of renewal and new beginnings.

The same thing may apply to each one of us. For whatever reason, the warmer days and sunnier skies makes us feel a little better and gives us a more positive outlook to the future. Consider following nature's lead and use the changing season and nicer weather to encourage a little personal renewal of your own. Get out a little more, take a walk, call a brother or two that you haven't talked to in a while, volunteer to help out in your community. Make an effort to renew your connections and obligations to our Brethren. Albert Schweitzer reminds us, "Wherever you turn, you can find someone who needs you. Even if it is a little thing, do something for which there is no pay but the privilege of doing it."

Your Valley has planned many activities for you and your family to spend time together while sharing an evening with your Scottish Rite Brethren. Each stated meeting offers you a dinner and

quality entertainment in our auditorium. We have golf outings, baseball games, movie nights, holiday parties, and many other events for you to enjoy.

If you haven't visited your Valley lately for a meeting or activity please give us another try. When you do attend our Valley's activities, consider asking another Brother and his family to join you for the evening.

Take advantage of all the privileges that Scottish Rite Masonry provides for its members.

Freemasonry is definitely an activity that should be shared with others.

My Brethren, this can be your moment to plant the seeds that can reward you both personally and fraternally and bring you an enriching and fulfilling 2014.

Be blessed in all that you do. I hope to see you soon.

Fraternally and with
God's Bountiful Peace,

Rich

Rich Rodibaugh, 33°
Commander-in-Chief

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About the Cover...

PHIPPS CONSERVATORY A Pittsburgh Treasure

Phipps Conservatory features more than just flower shows. Discover one of Pittsburgh's best-kept foodie secrets as you indulge in some of the freshest local, sustainable and seasonal flavors around town prepared by chefs at Café Phipps — an award-winning 3-star Green Restaurant Certified® eatery focusing on "food that's good for the planet and for you."

Plus, admission to the Conservatory is included in the price!

Our family-friendly brunch is served in Special Events Hall against the breathtaking backdrop of Tropical Forest India.

Regular brunch costs \$30.95 for adults and \$14.95 for children five – 12. Easter Sunday and Mother's Day brunches are \$36.95 for adults and \$16.95 for children five – 12. Kids under four enter for free and members receive a 10-percent discount.

Cancellations must be made at least 48 hours prior to your sitting; all credit cards will be charged after 1:00 p.m. the Friday before your reservation date, and there are no refunds after that time. To

reserve or learn more, please call 412/651-5281. See Page 8 for Flower Show information ♦

Sunday:
Mar. 23, 30 Apr. 6, 13,
20 (Easter)
11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
1:15 - 2:45 p.m.
★ ★
May 11 (Mother's Day)
11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
1:30 - 3 p.m. 3:30 - 5 p.m.



In Memoriam

*May it be his portion to hear from Him
who sitteth as the Judge Supreme*



"Well Done, Good and Faithful Brother"

Since our last issue, the following brethren have been called home.



James M. Ecker, 33°



John E. Purcell, MSA, 33°



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Joseph Zywan



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Thursday, April 3, 2014

7:30 p.m.

STATED MEETING OF THE FOUR COORDINATE BODIES

A Stated Meeting of the Four Coordinate Bodies of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry in the Valley of Pittsburgh, PA will be held at the Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center on Thursday, April 3, 2014 at 7:30 p.m.

Business will be transacted in the Lodge of Perfection 14°; Council of Princes of Jerusalem 16°, Chapter of Rose Croix 18° and Consistory 32°. Officers of the Gourgas Lodge of Perfection will preside.

Richard A. Rodibaugh, 33°
Commander-in-Chief

Arthur F. McGuigan, 32°
Most Wise Master

Gerald A. Sutherland, 32°
Sovereign Prince

D. Todd Ballenger, 32°
Thrice Potent Master

ATTEST:

Donald M. Murphy, 33°
Secretary

4th Stated Meeting

of the 2013 - 2014
Scottish Rite Year

★ Ladies & Children Invited

★ Entertainment
following dinner

★ Enjoy a Fellowship Dinner
before the meeting!

\$10.00

Served from 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Please make Reservations
412-939-3579



The Modern Vitruvian

by P. J. Roup, 33°



Of Redwoods and Blue Lodges

"The redwoods, once seen, leave a mark or create a vision that stays with you always. No one has ever successfully painted or photographed a redwood tree. The feeling they produce is not transferable. From them comes silence and awe. It's not only their unbelievable stature, nor the color which seems to shift and vary under your eyes, no, they are not like any trees we know, they are ambassadors from another time."

— John Steinbeck, Travels with Charley: In Search of America

So what's the difference between a Freemason and a Giant Sequoia?

I hope you weren't waiting for a punch line; that wasn't a riddle. It turns out that the answer is, "A lot less than you might think."

In coastal California where the conditions are right, the Giant Sequoia tree can typically grow to be over 200 feet tall, with several having been documented at well over three hundred feet. Amazingly, a tree of this height typically would have a root system that does not penetrate much deeper than eight feet. So how does a tree that is more than a football field high manage to survive the strong coastal winds with such a shallow root system? They do something very interesting. Instead of a deep taproot anchoring them to the ground, they send shallow roots more than a hundred feet outward. In a redwood forest, the trees are closer together than that, so that when one examines closely, he will find the roots of several trees interlocked with one another. You see, they do not rely on their individuality, but their interconnectedness, to give them strength.

While Masonry is in many ways a truly individual journey, a Mason, just like the Sequoia, needs to rely on his Brothers for strength. That strength can come in many forms. Depending on where each man finds himself in his Masonic pilgrimage, it can be defined as the patience of a mentor with a frustrated student, the encouragement of a Master to his Officers, the Charity of the Lodge to a Brother in need, or the strong grip of a friend helping us back to our feet after we have stumbled.

You see, for Masonry to thrive, there must exist a *willingness* for one to receive support as well as the *ability* for another to give it. In practice, it requires you to be both penitent and confessor as the situation dictates. Too often, we feel as though we are the first, last and only man to be battling the demon before us. In truth, at any given Masonic function, there are probably several people who have strug-

gled with a similar situation, be it work, family, illness or anything else that could befall a man today. Being part of a strong community necessitates giving freely of your strengths to your Brothers and supplementing your weaknesses with their assistance thereby growing as a group.

Sequoias are often found growing in distinctly shaped groups; either in a line, or a circular pattern called a cathedral. The trees growing in a line come from a parent tree that has fallen down. Those branches that are pointing upward after the parent has fallen will actually begin to root and become trees in their own right, each one becoming separate and distinct from the original tree that fell. In the same way, we introduce good and upright men to Freemasonry with the hope that when we leave this earthly home, they will stay behind. And if their thoughts are focused heavenward (meaning we have taught them well), they too will grow to become the leaders of our Lodges and keep this great Fraternity alive.

The trees growing in a circular pattern, or cathedral, are trees that have sprung up from the roots of a fallen tree. Though the body of the parent tree is gone, the roots see to it that the community carries on by sending up saplings. As these saplings begin to root, they are able to weave themselves quickly into the already intricate root system of the parent plant, giving themselves immediate support to grow straight and true. Similarly, Masons, as we labor, provide support for future generations by leaving behind a strong foundation. If each of us is true to our calling, we will leave behind a strong foundation upon which each successive generation can build.

Another interesting adaptation of the Sequoia is its ability to take in water through its leaves. You see, these trees can grow nearly anywhere, but the area of coastal California where they thrive has a peculiar type of climate. In areas without regularly occurring fog, the tree's height is

limited to the distance it can push water vertically from the root system toward the upper leaves, but the near constant morning fogs of that region allow the upper leaves to supply their own water by pulling it from the heavy air, thereby allowing the trees there to grow to heights unattainable in any other place.

So it is with Masonry. It is possible to go through life without thinking about whence we came or whither we travel, and often that is exactly what we see in the world. However, the man who stops and ponders those questions, the man who realizes he comes from something greater than himself and has a duty to his Creator to be the best man he can be – that man begins to use the upper leaves of his intellect to not just survive but to thrive. Just like the roots supplying water, we bring some light and knowledge to our new members, but it is not until those men begin to use their own intellect, discerning life's important truths for themselves, that they truly grow to their fullest potential as men worthy of the name Freemason.

So Modern Vitruvian, is your root system spread out far enough? If not, strive to give more support to your Lodge and Valley. Have you done enough to introduce worthy men to this Fraternity? If not, resolve to, for we are never more than a generation from extinction. Make sure you are helping to build the strong foundation for the future – leaving behind a cathedral in which other worthy men can dwell. Lastly, remember always that we are here by the grace of the Great Architect of the Universe and to Him we will each someday return; that our time here is to be used shaping the ashlar of our lives. Each action we take either helps or hurts that process. Promise yourself that if you are the only Mason someone knows, that person will look up to you as he would a Sequoia – as a giant among men, towering over a forest of mediocrity below. ♦

King Solomon Lodge No. 346

invites you to the 17th

MEETING IN THE HILLS

Saturday, June 28, 2014

\$25.00

A delicious New York Strip Steak Dinner is served with all the fixin's at 5:00 p.m. A great evening of fellowship attended by over 500 masons. Call Rich Bigley, 33° at 724.331.2061 or 724.547.2367 for tickets and directions or email him at:

bigs@zoominternet.net



Children's Dyslexia Center Report

Richard A. Rodibaugh, 33°

Chairman

"Unless we think of others and do something for them, we miss one of the greatest sources of happiness."

— Ray Lyman Wilbur

The Valley of Pittsburgh provides a dyslexic child a chance for a fresh start at success both in life and in school. We transform a child dealing with hopelessness and low self-esteem to a young adult looking forward to a bright future full of dreams, rewards, and opportunity.

Who is responsible for the positive outcomes that we have at the Dyslexia Center? YOU ARE! Your continued and ongoing support and financial contributions to the Learning Center will give students a place to learn the strategies needed to overcome dyslexia. Highly specialized teachers will be able to have the resources needed to develop individual lessons specific to each student. Parents will be able to rely on someone who not only cares but also understands the problems that their child is facing. It is this kind of individual and child specific approach that leads to the student successes experienced every day at our Children's Dyslexia Center.

Thank you so much for your continued support! The generosity of the Brethren here at the Valley of Pittsburgh is inspiring. Even though membership in the Valley is declining, contributions to our Learning Center remain strong. Thank you. We will soon begin to shape the budget for the 2014-2015 school year, so please continue your efforts. Consider a contribution to the Learning Center. Join the Builder's Council. Contemplate honoring the Center with a bequest in your will.

The Valley of Pittsburgh Dyslexia Center makes a difference in children's lives every day.

Thank you, Brethren, for making that difference possible. ♦

Fraternally,

Rich

Richard A. Rodibaugh, 33°

Chairman

Board of Governors

Spring Flower Show at Phipps

March 22 – April 20, 2014

Take a toe-tapping journey through a musical world where melodies bloom like flowers. This year, the Spring Flower Show combines music and garden design for a sensational new exhibit filled with sights, sounds and scents that are sure to have you singing.

The 2014 Spring Flower Show at Phipps Conservatory, designed by Hays Landscape Architecture Studio, Ltd., runs from March 22 through April 20. Exhibit hours are 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. daily and until 10 p.m. on Fridays. Admission is \$15 for adults, \$14 for seniors and students, and \$11 for children (ages 2 – 18). Members and children under 2 enter for free.

From one room to the next, musical genres from swing and big band to blues and rock 'n roll will be showcased through whimsical sculptures made out of up-cycled instruments; surprising planters like an upright piano; and carefully orchestrated plantings designed to mimic the rise and fall of musical notes as they move up and

down the scale. Popular songs will also be piped through some of the rooms, adding to the multi-sensory experience.

The stars of the show, of course, will be the thousands of vibrant tulips, daffodils, hyacinths and other seasonal favorites, in addition to some new highlights, including several varieties of primula, foxtail lilies and Himalayan blue poppies. Arranged in spectacular groupings according to color and theme, each plant will be carefully placed to add scope to and enliven each scene, from blue and purple flowers representing the blues genre, to rainbow-hued blooms coming together to form the bars of a larger-than-life xylophone. ♦



Annual Flower Sale Benefits Children's Dyslexia Center

To order flowers, you can email (pghdyslexiacenter@comcast.net) or phone (412-931-3181) the Center to request an order form. We will try to accommodate special flower requests, if that flower is available from our vendor.

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| Wednesday, February 26 - | Last day to make special flower requests. |
| Monday, March 3 - | Order forms available. |
| Monday, March 31 - | Completed orders due to the Center. |
| Wednesday, April 30 - | Payment due (checks preferred) |
| Wednesday, May 7 - | Pick up flowers / Back patio of GPMC. |
| Thursday, May 8 - | Pick up flowers / Back patio of GPMC. |





Gourgas Lodge of Perfection

Message from the
Thrice Potent Master
D. Todd Ballenger, 32°

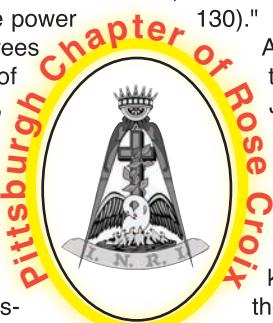
Greetings, fellow travelers. It is good to meet with you once again on our journey through the Scottish Rite bodies you will encounter here in the Valley of Pittsburgh and elsewhere in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction.

In our survey of the twenty-nine degrees comprising the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry (NMJ, USA), we have learned to value and respect the holy name of the Grand Architect in the Ineffable Degrees of the Lodge of Perfection. We have seen the importance of fidelity, duty to God, and the power of truth in the Historical Degrees presented in the Council of Princes of Jerusalem. Yet still, half our journey lies before us, and this month we will continue down the path through the Philosophical Degrees found in a Chapter of Rose Croix.

Here in the Valley of Pittsburgh, you will find the Chapter of Rose Croix to be very active. In March, they host the annual induction Class for Pennsylvania DeMolay, an event featuring some of the state's best younger ritualists in the performance of the initiation ceremonies for male Masonic youth. This is followed closely by a Palm Sunday tradition in the Valley - the production of "The Story of the Crucifixion." This poignant tale coincides with the Easter season and is a truly rewarding work, whether you are playing a role on stage, or watching from the audience. Also, the Rose Croix occasionally presents the Feast of the Paschal Lamb. This moving ceremonial reflects on the moral values taught in the Rose Croix degrees and also serves as a time of remembrance for those Brothers who have passed on to the Celestial Lodge.

The "Philosophical Degrees" of the Rose Croix appear in Scottish Rite ritual as the 17th Degree, "Knight of the East and West," and the 18th Degree, "Knight of the Rose Croix." The term "philosophical degree"

originated with Albert Pike in his seminal work, *Morals and Dogma*, where he points out many of the same "truths" appearing throughout the teachings of the world's oldest religions and philosophies. In his book *A Bridge to Light*, Rex R. Hutchens summarizes the consistent thread in these ancient doctrines that we try to pass on in Freemasonry: "They are very simple and sublime lessons. God is one, immutable, unchangeable, infinitely just and good; light will finally overcome darkness, good conquer evil, and truth be victor over error (p. 130)."



As currently practiced in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, the 17th Degree depicts the conflict between King Herod the Great and several factions of the Jewish people in his kingdom. The lesson of the degree is to stay focused on the search for Truth in all aspects of your life, and to avoid making the same mistakes that have occurred in the past.

The 18th Degree is profoundly more religious in its tenor, though it maintains its monotheistic universality in its approach. The primary messages of this degree are devotion to God, in whatever form or by whatever name He may appear, and tolerance. And in order to help us all carry out these endeavors, we as Scottish Rite Freemasons are taught to have faith in God, ourselves, and our neighbor; hope for a better life and lasting peace, and finally charity, which is sometimes translated as love - a love for not only those in need, but also in the deepest sense of a fraternal regard for our fellow man.

Keep these ideas in mind as we travel onward together, Brethren. Next time we will look closer at the workings of the Consistory, its officers, and the remaining degrees of the Rite. Until then, travel well! ♦



Hiram's Riders Elects Officers for 2014

At the January Meeting of Hiram's Riders Motorcycle Club, the following officers were elected for 2014.

President	Mark E. Bliler, 33°
1st Vice President	Rick V. Cross
2nd Vice President	Joshua L. Miller
Treasurer	William D. Johnston, 33°
Secretary	D. William Roberts, 33°
President, Club East ..	Richard J. Stemmler, 33°
President, Club West ..	Paul J. Kauffman

Hiram's Riders special events that all Masons and their friends are invited to participate in include:

Ride for Dyslexia	Sunday, Jun. 29
Brentwood 4th of July Parade	Friday, Jul. 4
Picnic with the Grand Master ..	Saturday, Aug. 2
Christmas Luncheon	Saturday, Dec. 20

Interested in becoming a member? Send email to: dwr47@verizon.net or 412-683-0359.

Watch the Race on the Giant 9' x 12' TV Screen

Sunday,
February 23
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From the Secretary's Desk

Donald M. Murphy, 33°, *Secretary*



ARE YOU DUES UP TO DATE?

The Scottish Rite 2013-2014 year is half complete. So far we seem to be having a good year. We are seeing more members at our activities and meetings. We are looking forward to our Spring Class. Excitement is building. Why then is there a black cloud hanging over the organization?

With only a few months to go before our June meeting we still have the potential of suspending several hundred members. This would be quite a blow to the organization. We lose many members to death each year but

to lose this many to suspension would definitely weaken the Valley.

Perhaps some members do not realize how the system works. In 2011 Supreme Council started a new dues card system. Each member was mailed a permanent plastic dues card.

This card becomes valid each year upon receipt of your annual dues. If you have misplaced that gray plastic card we can secure a new one to replace the original.

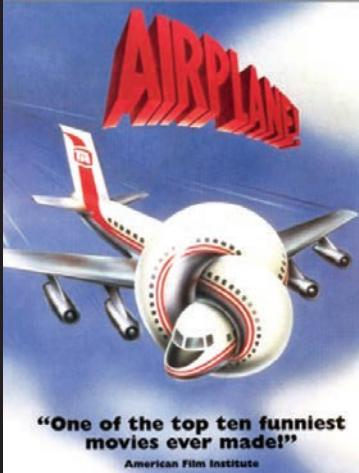
Each year we mail at least three notices to those members who have not yet paid. After three notices you become delinquent in your dues. Again, it is your responsibility to respond to these notices and make proper restitution for the statement. If at the June Stated Meeting you are two years behind in your dues the constitution requires that we suspend people who find themselves in that circumstance.

If you have any questions regarding your dues, please feel free to contact the Valley office at 412-939-3579.

We cherish your friendship and membership in the Scottish Rite, so if you happen to be in financial need, please call us so that we may be of assistance with your concerns. ♦

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Also help us keep food costs down by honoring your verbal reservations - we pay for the exact number of dinners we order from the caterer.

Suggestion . . .

Clip the Callendar of Events on page 27 and post it on your frig so you know what's happening.

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Princes of Jerusalem

*Message from the
Sovereign Prince*

Gerald A. Sutherland, 32°



Here we are in the dead of winter and also half way through the Scottish Rite year. By the time you receive this message, the ground hog may have already made his prediction for spring. This is a good time to reflect on what we plan to do, not only in Masonry, but in our personal lives.

For myself, I have had certain things in mind I wanted to accomplish in my personal life, and other facets including the Boy Scouts in which I have been much involved as well as many Masonic bodies in which I belong – especially at this time, the Scottish Rite.

Being Sovereign Prince, I have accepted the challenge for a major effort in the Valley. One was to participate as a mentor as I have advocated to you in my message in previous issues of the Rite News. In addition, I have strived to improve my ability in a leadership role also.

In this issue I am asking you to make an evaluation of your own progress in life – Masonic & non-Masonic. Are you on course of what you have expected of yourself? Now is a great time to reflect on your past and re-adjust your plan for the future. We can all be winners!

I am convinced that spring is just around the corner and we can look forward to many activities in the Valley – especially ones that we can involve our entire families. As you may know at this point, we plan to have a one-day class reunion in April – an especially good opportunity for our Masonic Brothers to join the Valley and become 32nd degree Masons. The next day, Palm Sunday, will be the annual Crucifixion play followed

by a dinner at a nominal fee. This is open to all our families and friends. What a way to begin our celebration of Holy Week! Put this on your calendar now. Many other activities will follow and I encourage you to get involved. As I told the candidates at our last reunion, "Scottish Rite is the 'best bang for your buck' in our fraternity".

During our lives we sometimes come across a public figure that strikes our fancy – someone we recognize and immediately adopt their ideals as a mentor to it. For me was one Norman Rockwell. He was a well known artist and illustrator who early in his career brought fame and fortune as the beloved interpreter of American Life. My first exposure to him was through his illustrations on the cover of Boys' Life magazine and of course the famous Saturday Evening Post.

Perhaps the key to his success as he demonstrated can be summarized in a single word EXPECTANCY! Those who contracted for his services of course had a certain expectation of him. But more important was that Norman Rockwell expected top performance of himself. He gave it expression by painting on his easel – in gold paint - he would put 100%. When asked what that meant, he answered: "It is what Norman expects of Norman!"

Expect a lot of yourself & others – and you'll get a lot. Expect little or nothing – and that too is what you'll get. And perhaps that's all that you'll deserve. Give this some thought, brethren! ♦

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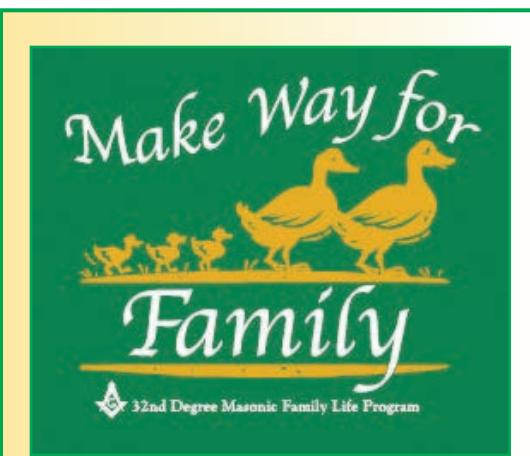
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Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center

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Celebration of Education Dinner

Friday, May 23 - 6:00 p.m.

Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center

\$25.00
per person

The annual Celebration of Education Dinner features the distribution of Abbott Scholarships to high school and college applicants from Scottish Rite families. Applications are available from the Valley office (412-939-3579) or on line at: www.scottishritenmj.org (click on philanthropy and scroll down to Abbott Scholarships and 'click here') Mail two copies to the Valley office at 3579 Masonic Way, Pittsburgh, PA 15237. Deadline for the submission of applications is April 1.

The Family Life Dinner also honors those 7th and 8th grade students that participated in the annual essay contest of

"What My Family Means to Me."

The four Valley presiding officers will also select four Masons (not necessarily members of the Valley) who will be recognized as the ideal Family Man – living by the principles taught in the Scottish Rite.

The evening of food, student recognitions, and family life, celebrates masonic values, and reinforces individual commitment to the family. ♦

Make check payable and mail to:
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Pittsburgh, PA 15237 (tickets held at door)

Samuel C. Williamson, 33° Plate Presentation



Hiram's Riders of the Valley of Pittsburgh will present Bro. Samuel C. Williamson, 33° with Plate No. 1 in the second in a series of Grand Master Collector Plates being produced as a tribute to the Grand Masters of Western Pennsylvania.

The presentation ceremony will take place at Valley Lodge No. 613 on Tuesday, May 20 at 7:30 p.m.

All Master Masons are invited to attend to honor Bro. Williamson for his outstanding and continuing service to freemasonry.

Also taking part in the presentation will be the District Deputy Grand Master of the 54th Masonic District, Bro. Paul J. Roup, 33°, as a part of his official visitation to the Lodge.

Price of the Collector Plates are \$35. and can be purchased that evening at the Lodge. The first plate in the series honored Bro. Thomas K. Sturgeon, 33° and his plate can also be purchased that evening. ♦

The Story of the Crucifixion

Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center
Palm Sunday, April 13, 2014
Curtain - 3:00 p.m.
Dinner following performance - \$10.00

The Story of the Crucifixion

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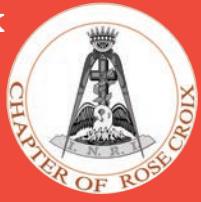
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Chapter of Rose Croix

Message from the Most Wise Master

Arthur F. McGuigan, 32°



Brethren, in this issue I hope to express some thoughts on the curious question of what it is like to be a Mason. The story below 'Circle Around the Fire', which I heard some years ago is a good example of expressing what we should feel when sitting around the altar of Freemasonry. Let this light be expanded into all our endeavors.

Circle Around the Fire

It is a tale of Brother Masons surrounding a campfire in the Old West discussing the Fraternity and its teachings. Finally one spoke up saying: "I know more about Masonry than some of the great philosophers." He asked everyone to stand up, and gather in a circle around the campfire.

He told everybody to hold hands with the man next to him.

"Now, what do you see?"

The faces of my Brothers through the flames.

"What do you feel in front of you?"
The warmth of the fire.

"What do you feel at your side?"
The warm hand of my Brother.

He directed them to drop their hands, and turn around.

"Now, what do you see?"
Only darkness.

"What do you feel now?"
A sense of being alone.

"What do you feel at your side?"
Nothing at all.

"What do you feel on your back-side?"
The warmth of the fire.

So it is with Masonry. You can feel the warmth, you can see the face of a Brother through the light of Masonry,

and you can always feel the warm hand of a Brother.

When you turn away from Masonry, and are out in the world, you see darkness, feel alone, and do not feel the warm hand of your Masonic Brother.

Masonry, the warmth and light it brings, is just a turn away.

Sometimes, as Masons, I feel we need to get out of our comfort zone. In fact our comfort zone should really be one that is constantly challenging us to be more "uncomfortable." We need to stop being willing to "practice" and we need to be willing to "get into the game." We've been doing a whole lot of talking about the things we ought to be doing as a Mason and as members of this Valley, but many of us have been "riding the bench" instead of "jumping into the game." And many of us who have been in the game have done nothing more than to "settle for singles" when we should have been trying to "hit home runs".

In fact, we talk about "going to Scottish Rite" as though the Valley only exists on stated meeting nights. We need to stop thinking that Scottish Rite is an activity that we "attend" and realize that "we are the Scottish Rite." It is a happening! It is a way of life!

Our way of life as Masons and members of the Valley reflect upon us and the entire Masonic fraternity as well as our community. I'm speaking of living our daily lives in a lifestyle that responds to the obligations we all took to make a difference in this world. We can only do this if "we get in the game" and make ourselves available for service.

The opportunities are there, we just need to try for the home runs rather than settle for the status quo. You only make a difference by daring to be "uncomfortable". Only you can place yourself into that zone and make a difference for yourself as well as the team.

Let's all "get into the game". ♦

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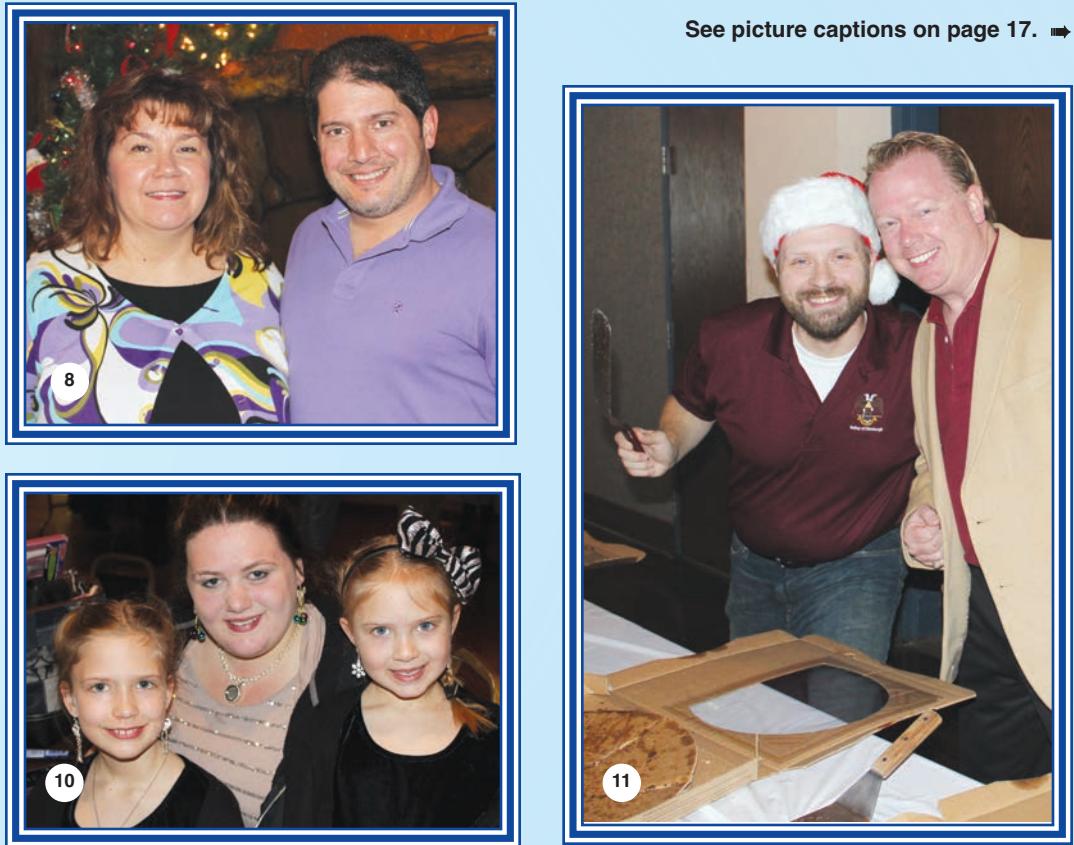
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Mail reservations by **June 2, 2014**, with check, to **Children's Dyslexic Center**, 3579 Masonic Way, Pittsburgh, PA 15237. Questions? 412-939-3579.





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The Iron Worker and King Solomon

by D. Todd Ballenger, 32°, Columnist

Worth (n.) – [ME < OE *weorth*, to honor] 1. Material value, esp. as expressed in terms of money or some other medium of exchange. 2. *That quality of a person or thing that lends importance, value, merit, etc., and that is measurable by the esteem in which the person or thing is held.* – Webster's New World Dictionary, 2nd College Edition, 1984.

It was a comfortable spring evening in Philadelphia, 1859, and they were gathered at the La Pierre House in honor of his friend Henry C. Carey, Esquire, who had asked him to speak on the growing tide of industry in the modern world. The gentleman rose from his place, paused to straighten his waistcoat, and approached the dais. As Joseph Harrison, Jr. strode across the room, he met the occasional gaze of a guest with eyes that beheld an air of confidence, but not arrogance.

Harrison cleared his throat, stroked his freshly trimmed goatee, and looked out over the room. He was greeted with the briefest hint of a smile from his friend, the guest of honor, which he returned with a slight nod.

"In attempting to say a few words on the Mechanical Arts, I am sure you will find the task in unworthy, if not in very prejudiced hands."

And Joseph Harrison, Jr. was very prejudiced indeed – not in thought or action toward his fellow man, but in his love of something much more ordinary. He was one of the very first American engineers and had spent much of his career building European railways and designing locomotive engines in America. His passion, though, was not merely for mechanical constructs or railroads. Harrison had a great appreciation and deep affection for something far simpler, but of much greater importance – iron. Joseph Harrison, Jr. knew its worth.

In this particular keynote address, one might have expected him to speak of the growth of industry in Philadelphia, the advancement of the railways, or his success

as an engineer both at home and abroad. But he didn't. Harrison instead spoke of Jehovah as the "first Great Mechanic." He spoke of Tubal Cain, a great "instructor of every artificer in brass and iron;" of Noah, Hiram of Tyre, and King Solomon himself, as well as "all those who so cunningly worked in iron, and in brass, in gold and in silver, and in cedar wood on the holiest and grandest of temples."

Yet for Joseph Harrison, all the artists and their craftwork paled in comparison to what he considered the "true precious metal: iron." And to illustrate this important



medium of mechanics, he did not refer to its many uses and benefits in construction, science, and art. No, Joseph Harrison, Jr. instead, told the story of a man.

* * *

Upon completion of the Temple at Jerusalem, King Solomon set aside a day for its consecration and invited all of the artisans who had worked on the Temple to the celebration. But as the horns sounded and the throne was unveiled, an Iron Worker was there seated in the place of honor to the right of the King's seat! A flash of fury spread through the gathered crowd as the Smith, bare-chested and covered in perspiration having come directly from his labors, sat upright with head held high despite the presence of the King. The guards moved immediately to remove the offensive trespasser when Solomon himself cried out: "HOLD! Friend, why are you here?"

The Iron Worker replied, "Great King, did you not declare this a day of consecration and celebration to be shared among the artisans and chief workers on the Temple? I came not unbidden."

Then the Chief of the Quarry said, "This man is not a stone mason. We do not know him." And the Chief Woodcutter in charge of shaping the great timbers for the roof said, "Neither is he known to us." Likewise, an artisan of gilt work spoke up saying, "I do not recognize him as a worker in refined metals, either."

But the Iron Worker was unmoved and said to the Chief of the Stone Masons, "Who made the instruments with which you carve?" And he answered, "The Blacksmith." Turning to the Chief Woodcutter, the Iron Worker asked,

"Who made the tools you used to cut the timber in Lebanon and shape them for use in the Temple?" And he answered, "The Blacksmith." And finally, turning to the artisan of gold and precious stones, the Iron Worker asked, "Who made the instruments that enabled you to create the beautiful gilt work adorning this magnificent Temple?" And he replied, "The Blacksmith."

Then the Iron Worker faced the wise Solomon saying, Behold, O King! I am the one they call the Blacksmith.' And King Solomon saw his worth and invited the Blacksmith to remain in the place of honor at the right hand of the King. And from then on, the Iron Workers were held in high esteem by all the artisans in the land.

* * *

Joseph Harrison, Jr. so loved this tale that he commissioned a painting depicting the story. The artist was Christian Schussele and the canvas was completed sometime between 1862 and 1863. It was later reproduced in 1889 as (fittingly enough) a steel engraving by an artist (and 33° Mason) named John Sartain and presently resides in the National Heritage Museum in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The print adorns the walls of literally thousands of Masonic Lodges across the country. The fact that Harrison himself cannot be positively identified as a member of the Fraternity is unimportant as



there can be no doubt that he saw the worth of the story. The tale clearly illustrates the wisdom in understanding the importance of the contributions of everyone, no matter how great or small, how decorated or lowly, and regardless of outward appearance. It teaches that we should leave our Masonic mark on everyone we meet and everything we do and be aware that others will leave their mark upon us as well. A good friend and Brother reminded me recently that we all have value, but to remember that much of that value comes from others. Just as the stone worker or woodcutter owes part of a debt to the blacksmith for making his work possible, so too, do we owe a debt to teachers, artists, philosophers, scientists, laborers, Masons, and non-masons alike for leading us to seek more light. For without the efforts of all, the Temple never will be completed.

So where does that leave us today? Have you done work worthy of the temple? Have you done enough to be considered in the ranks of the artisans? Of course you have! Your contributions, no matter how large or how small they may seem to you, how elaborate or simple they may appear to others, or how noticeably or without recognition they may pass, are not only important, but absolutely vital to the continued health and success of Freemasonry. This is the merit King Solomon saw in the Iron Worker. This is why you are here - why you deserve to be here.

And yes, I see your worth. ♦

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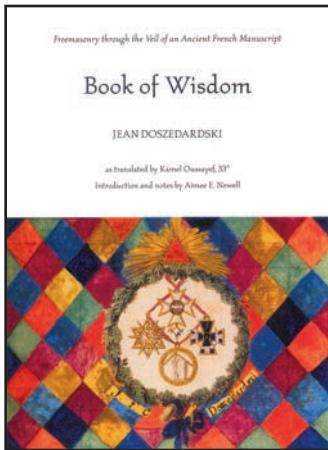
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Book of Wisdom

For more than four years Kamel Oussayef, 33°, has spent a few hours each Friday at the Van Gorden Williams Library & Archives, located at Supreme Council headquarters in Lexington, MA. His goal was to translate the *Book of Wisdom*, from its original French to English.

The volume contains the statutes and general regulations for Lodge le Choix des Hommes, located in Jacmel, San Domingo. The original work was written by Jean Doszedarski.

Bro. Oussayef began as a volunteer at the library in 2003 to inventory and briefly



describe hundreds of 18th and 19th century manuscripts. He refined his project to focus on the Doszedarski book for several reasons. First, it did not contain any "specific, secret, or esoteric Masonic topics." Secondly, "it has an aesthetic beauty about it." He says the handwriting is beautiful. As a bonus, it is easy to read. He, also, says it shows that Scottish Rite Freemasonry of that era and of today do not differ greatly. If a Mason of that time were to visit a lodge of today "he would be able to navigate his way . . . with little difficulty."

His labor of love has been rewarded as the Supreme Council, NMJ, has published the book in a 144-page cloth-bound volume with dust jacket.

Contained in the book are opposing pages of facsimiles of the original manuscript and the modern translations.

Also working on the project was Dr. Aimee E. Newell, director of collections at the Scottish Rite Masonic Museum & Library. Dr. Newell wrote the introduction and the notes.

The *Book of Wisdom* is now for sale at the Scottish Rite NMJ Shop, located at shop.ScottishRiteNMJ.org. ♦

Christmas Party Captions

Valley Christmas Party

Sat., Dec. 7, Shannopin Country Club

Princes of Jerusalem Kids Christmas Party

Sat., Dec. 14, GPMC

Hiram's Riders Christmas Party

Sat., Dec. 21, Grants Bar & Lounge

1. Mark & Patty Bliler, *Hiram's Riders Party*.
2. Vince Monardo & Mary Joy Carr, Valley Christmas Party.
3. Robert & Kevin Dering, Norm Flaherty, *Hiram's Riders Party*.
4. William & Maggie Johnston, *Valley Party*.
5. Taylor, Leo, Rick and Renee Cross, *Hiram's Riders Party*.
6. Dave & Sandy Kearns, *Valley Party*.
7. Jerry & Pat Sutherland, *Valley Party*.
8. Cindy & Paul Unglo, *Hiram's Riders Party*.
9. Josh & Kathy Miller, *Hiram's Riders Party*.
10. Riley Habel, Mary Habel & Mackenzie Habel, *Princes Kids Party*.
11. "Cab" Whitaker & Todd Ballenger, *Princes Kids Party*.
12. Jeff Wonderling, Sharon Wonderling, Sam Williamson, Jean Boyce, Irvin Boyce, Rodney Boyce, *Valley Party*.
13. Bill Roberts, Sharon Wonderling, *Valley Party*.
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Presentation of Bro. Robert W. Amend, 32° as District Deputy Grand Master of the 47th Masonic District

Bro. Robert W. Amend, the newly appointed District Deputy Grand Master of the 47th Masonic District, is a member of



Robert C. Amend, Senior Master of Ceremonies, with his father Robert W. Amend, DDGM, 47th District.

Lafayette Lodge No. 652 in Carnegie, PA. He has been a member for 45 years and a three-time Past Master. During Bro. Thomas K Sturgeon's, tenure as Grand Master of Masons in Pennsylvania, Bro. Amend served as an

Administrator of the Grand Lodge Pension Plan and a Trustee of the Consolidated Fund – positions he still holds. Bro. Amend is also a member of the Valley of Pittsburgh and a Syria Shriner.

In private life, he began his career as a District Manager for the Dana Corporation for 12 years, moved on as president and C.E.O. of Central Automotive Supply for 6 years, (a subsidiary of Alco Standard Corporation). He was a Regional V.P. for



Robert W. Amend, DDGM, Robert J. Bateman, Grand Master, Raymond Lengvarsky, Worshipful Master.



Outgoing DDGM James L. Robeck, Sr., invests Bro. Bob with the apron & collar.

Citigroup for 15 years; managing and installing pension programs for hospitals, local government and PA state government in Central and Northeast Pennsylvania.

In 2001, he, with a business partner, started Four Coins Financial Services, retiring in 2010. "Since then I have enjoyed playing golf and spending more time with my family."

Bro. Amend has been married to his wife Janice for 50 years.

His son Rob, has been a Mason for four years and serves as Senior Master of Ceremonies in Lafayette Lodge No. 652. ♦



Robert W. Amend, DDGM 47	Mark Haines, Grand Secretary	Thomas Gamon, Jr. Grand Warden	Raymond T. Dietz, Deputy Grand Master	Robert J. Bateman, Grand Master	W. Eugene Herritt, Sr. Grand Warden	Raymond Lengvarsky, Worshipful Master
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Robert T. Addleman, 33° Elected 114th Potentate of Syria Shriners

Bro. Robert T. Addleman, Jr., 33° was elected Potentate of Syria Shriners at the Annual Meeting on January 6, 2014.

Born and raised in Pittsburgh, Bro. Addleman is a graduate of Keystone Oaks High School. He was awarded a National Merit Scholarship to attend Michigan State University, where he graduated Magna Cum Laude with an B.A. in Communications. He continued his education in the Ph.D. program at the Department of Communication at Michigan State. While at Michigan State, he played in numerous university bands and ensembles, serving as trumpet section leader of the Spartan Marching Band, and earning a scholarship from the athletic department to play in a jazz band at basketball games and booster events during the campus heyday of Earvin "Magic" Johnson.

He was ordained an Elder of the Presbyterian Church (USA) in 1988. He served as Chair of Worship and Music at Sharon Community Presbyterian Church in Moon Township.

In 2010-2011, he served as Chaplain of the Mid-Atlantic Shrine Association. He continues to serve as an Associate Chaplain and member of the Necrology Committee. He has also participated as a lector and soloist at several ecumenical services at Imperial Sessions of Shriners International.

Bob was made a Mason in Pleasant Hills-Guthrie Lodge No. 759 (now No. 509) December 17, 1980. He served that Lodge as Worshipful Master in 1987.

In 1996, he was appointed as District Deputy Grand Master of the 57th Masonic District.

Bob is also active in the South Hills School of Instruction. In December, 2013, he concluded 11 years as Treasurer and continues to serve as an Instructor.

He joined the Valley of Pittsburgh, A.A.S.R., in April, 1983 and served as Thrice Potent Master of the Gourgas Lodge of Perfection in the 2006-2007



Scottish Rite year.

He has held many positions in the Valley and was coroneted a 33° Scottish Rite Mason in Providence, Rhode Island, in 2008.

In June 1983, he became a Shriner and immediately became involved in the Band, the Public Relations Committee, the Ritualistic Team, and South Hills Caravan No. 21.

In 2006, he joined the Chanters. In September of that year, he stepped in as acting Music Director of the group, upon the passing of Noble Douglas R. Ketterer. In 2007, he became Music Director of the Chanters and led the glee club to a first-place finish in competition at the MASA convention in Virginia Beach. It remains the only concert competition victory for the Chanters since 1988.

In 2007, Bob became part of a group of BAFFs (Born-again fundamentalist Freemasons) a Traditional Observance Lodge in the Pittsburgh area. He served as president of the Western Pennsylvania Traditional Observance Masonry Club, which later became Lodge Ad Lucem No. 812, which boasts the youngest average age of any Lodge in Pennsylvania. He served as its Warrant Worshipful Master, in 2007 and 2008, and has served as Secretary since 2009.

He is also a member of many Masonic organizations and clubs: Knights of Mecca, a Shrine club for Past Masters of Masonic Lodges, Royal Order of Jesters, O.L Verein Lodge, and St. Clair Chapter No. 300 to name a few.

Bro. Bob resides in Upper St. Clair, where he cares for his parents, Bro. Robert T. Addleman, Sr., and Lady Ginny. He is the father of Rob, 26, and Emily, 17.

Congratulations Bro. Bob on your many masonic achievements! ♦



Henry William Zipf



Congratulations!

Brother Henry William Zipf was made a Mason on September 8, 1944 - passed on October 17, 1944 and raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on November 14, 1944 in Geter C. Shidle Lodge No. 650 which later merged into Lodge 45 on December 27, 1983.

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Presentation of Bro. D. Todd Ballenger, 32° as District Deputy Grand Master of the 55th Masonic District

On January 9th, the Valley of Pittsburgh's own D. Todd Ballenger, 32°, *Thrice Potent Master*, was presented as the new District Deputy Grand Master for the 55th Masonic District.

The open Presentation, which took place in the York Rite room of the Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center, was hosted by Dallas Lodge, No. 231, Brother Kevin C. Tabor, WM.

Brother Tabor welcomed the Right Worshipful Grand Master, Brother Robert J. Bateman and



*D. Todd Ballenger
District Deputy Grand Master
55th Masonic District*

the other Grand Lodge Officers who accompanied him.

After Brother Ballenger assumed his Obligation at the altar, the ceremony continued with the investiture of the jewel and apron of the office.

"My support has always been and shall continue to be my family - my wife, Kari, and my children, Taylor and Ian," said Ballenger. "Without them, my house would falter, and I thank each of them for their love and support in all of my Fraternal endeavors, those both past and yet to come."

He charged the Brethren of the 55th District to try and live the moral lessons that Freema-

sonry teaches, saying, "To be respectful of one another, regardless of age or rank; to be receptive of another's ideas, even if they differ from your own; to be willing to lay aside petty differences in favor of harmony and peacefulness - these are tenets taught within the Lodge that are applicable at work as well as in the family."

The evening was capped off by a reception of light refreshments in the main ballroom.



Bro. Ballenger is a Property Valuation Analyst for Service Link, a Black Knight Financial Services company, which is the nation's leading provider of integrated data, servicing, and technology solutions to mortgage lenders, as well as the largest centralized provider of appraisal, title, and closing services to first mortgage and home equity lenders, mortgage servicers, and investors.

He resides in South Park Township with his wife, Kari, and their children, Taylor and Ian. Kari Ballenger is the Executive Director of the Metropolitan Pittsburgh Chapter of the Appraisal Institute and Taylor and Ian are both High Honor Roll students at South Park Middle School. ♦



Bro. Ballenger assumes his obligation at the altar of Freemasonry with the RW Grand Master, Bro. Robert J. Bateman.



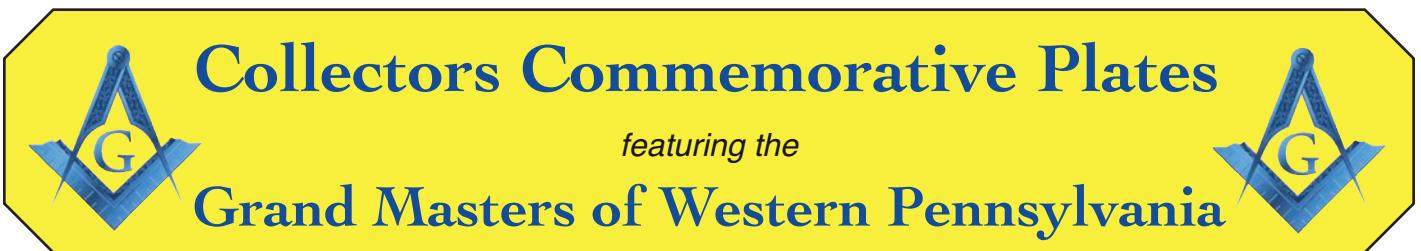
Past DDGM Jeff A. Biddle, invests Bro. Ballenger with the collar, apron, and jewel of the office.



D. Todd Ballenger, DDGM; Robert J. Bateman, RWGM; Kevin C. Tabor, WM



P.J. Roup, DDGM 54th District, D. Todd Ballenger, Samuel C. Williamson, R.W. Past Grand Master of Masons, Kevin C. Tabor, Worshipful Master of Dallas Lodge No. 231.



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David W. Morgans, 33°
Chairman
12, 2014 the Valley of Pittsburgh will be offering a one-day class. Please make sure that you let all of your Masonic friends know about this event. This is a great opportunity for the busy Mason to join.

In order to help get both the Mason and non-Mason interested in the Scottish Rite, the Valley will be having another movie night and chili cook-off. The event will be held on Friday March 21, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the Grotto Room of the Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center. Prizes will be given to the top three best tasting chili recipes

This spring the Valley of Pittsburgh has exciting news for all those Masons who have wanted to join the Scottish Rite but haven't been able to take two days to join. On Saturday April

as voted on by those in attendance. A chili cook-off and a movie! I know what you are thinking, "Surely, I must be kidding!" Well, I am not kidding and don't call me Shirley! We will be viewing the classic movie "Airplane" in all its Technicolor glory. Come out and watch it with us. It is free of price but the fellowship and laughter will be priceless. Bring your Masonic friends and your non-Masonic friends out to this great event and let them meet some of your brothers from the Valley. If they like what they see and want to be a part of our Rite, they will have plenty of time to fill out an application and join on April 12th.

Brethren, our Valley will continue to flourish if we continue to introduce and welcome new Brethren into the Scottish Rite. Each member of the Valley has a role to play in bringing new men into our fellowship. Let each one of us speak and act in such a way as to be good ambassadors for the Valley of Pittsburgh. ♦

Stay In the Lodge!!

So many times we hear the remark: "I want to demit from the Valley." Or worse "I'm not paying dues anymore, so what if I'm suspended!!" or "I cannot attend meetings. My business is such that I cannot be active. Why should I remain a member?"

Here are some good answers to those questions. First of all, being a member of the Valley is not only attending meetings. It provides an opportunity for you to meet new brethren – exchange ideas. Being a Mason is living a good life based on Masonic principles, and living up to the vows you took during the conferral of your degrees. It is believing in and practicing those beliefs that make you a Mason.

When you continue to pay your dues, you support a cause that you believe in. You help to continue a fraternity of free men who believe in moral character, love for country, and the practice of Masonic tenets in the life of man.

It is important to remember that you help build a heritage for those who come after you. Your annual dues are a small contribution to pay! ♦

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A Personal View of the Re-enactment of the Battle of Lake Erie



by Robert H. Stanley, 32°

Fifty years before Gettysburg, the victorious Battle of Lake Erie on September 10, 1813 changed the course of American History. Had the British been victors in the naval battle, they would have controlled Lake Erie, Lake Huron, Lake Michigan, Lake Superior, and the strongholds in the states we know today as Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, and Minnesota. Our country would have looked vastly different, but it was not to be. With Perry's Victory, the western expansion that one day would take Americans to the Pacific Ocean was about to start.

The re-enactment of the Battle of Lake Erie, on Labor Day, September 2, 2013, was the brainchild of Dave Zavagino, who was Chairman of the Perry Group's Bicentennial Committee. Working along with Dave, was the U. S. National Park Service, the Perry Group from Put-in-Bay, Ohio, and hundreds of local volunteers and businesses. It took over three years and tens of thousands of man hours to stage this, once in a lifetime, live historical presentation.

It also gave me the opportunity to be my Great-Great-Great Grandfather, Samuel McKinney, for one day on the Brig Niagara. Samuel McKinney was a private in the 14th Pennsylvania Militia from Centre County, who volunteered his service to fight the British in Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry's Lake Erie Squadron.

Throughout the Labor Day weekend, there were countless activities to become a part of. There was a re-enactment village with military demonstrations by the 2nd Kentucky Militia and tribal life of the Black Swamp Intertribal Re-enactors. The U.S. Navy Band performed on a daily basis. There was a parade of boats, tours of the U. S. Brig Niagara, or cruises on the Tall Ships - Windy from Chicago, IL, or Halie & Matthew from Eastport, ME. If you just wanted plain rest and relaxation, all you had to do was sit down on a bench

The Battle of Lake Erie, sometimes called the Battle of Put-in-Bay, was fought on 10 September 1813, in Lake Erie off the coast of Ohio during the War of 1812. Nine vessels of the United States Navy defeated and captured six vessels of the British Royal Navy. This ensured American control of the lake for the rest of the war, which in turn allowed the Americans to recover Detroit and win the Battle of the Thames to break the Indian confederation of Tecumseh. It was one of the biggest naval battles of the War of 1812.



and watch the world go by.

Using the passenger count on both the Jet Express and the Miller Boat Line, over 50,000 persons travelled from the north coast of Ohio to Put-in-Bay from Friday, August 30 to Monday, September 2. It was noted to be the largest crowd ever to be on South Bass Island.

On Sunday, September 1, the Ohio State Marching Band arrived on the island on Miller Boat Lines largest ferry boat. They came off the boat playing and marching through the Village of Put-in-Bay until they reached the plaza of the Perry's Victory and International Peace Memorial. That evening they performed an outdoor concert at the plaza with the finale being, of course, Tchaikovsky's 1812 Overture complete with cannon fire and followed by a forty-five minute fireworks extravaganza.

At dawn on Labor Day, we awoke to a gray chilly wind swept Lake Erie. Before we boarded the tall ships, all 557 re-enactors mustered one final time to go over the logistics of the day. Then, it was

off to the docks and get ready to sail. Along with the 17 tall ships, there were over 1,500 pleasure boats containing over 10,000 people that were on Lake Erie to watch the re-enactment. By the time we reached the actual battle site, which was located by a buoy not far from West Sister Island, the weather had changed. The clouds parted; the winds died down; and a beautiful warm sun shown on us. While looking up in the sky during the battle, we witnessed a World War II B-17 and a B-25 fly over.

As we did two hundred years ago, we fought the British and once again we were the victors and I stood on the deck of the Brig Niagara as my Great-Great-Great Grandfather did two hundred years previous.

A final thought. Because of our victory, it was the first time in British Naval History that an entire British Royal Navy Squadron was captured or sunk by the opposing Navy.

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Program Honors DeMolay Founder

On Saturday, March 8, following degree conferrals at the Rose Croix Class at 5:00 p.m., Pennsylvania DeMolay, with assistance from the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, the Valley of Pittsburgh, AASR, and the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, will be holding a special pilgrimage to the grave of "Dad" Ralph C. Minehart. Minehart, who is buried in the Union Dale Cemetery in the North Hills of Pittsburgh, is often remembered as "Uncle" Ralph and is the man primarily responsible for the Order of DeMolay coming to Western Pennsylvania.

It is thought that Brother Minehart became a Mason at the urging of his father-in-law, Robert Thomas Rodney, who was a prominent Pittsburgh business man and a Mason. Minehart was a leader of men.

An active member of the Masonic fraternity, Uncle Ralph was well liked by all who knew him and he received many honors and awards. He is often described as "kind-hearted and warm." His jovial nature is probably what led him in becoming involved in helping



DeMolay.

He first witnessed the conferring of the Degrees of DeMolay in New Jersey. He was so thoroughly inspired that he knew DeMolay had come to Pennsylvania.

Brother Minehart was appointed by the DeMolay Grand Council as Deputy for Pennsylvania, the equivalent to the current title of Executive Officer.

Eighty years after his death, members of Pennsylvania DeMolay and Masons representing the bodies "Uncle Ralph" was active with, will meet at his grave to perform a memorial service at sunset and lay a wreath commemorating his dedication to the organization.

All DeMolays and friends of the organization are invited to join PA DeMolay for this event. There is no charge and it is open to the public. ♦

The 2014 Pennsylvania DeMolay Rose Croix Class will be held on Saturday, March 8th, at the Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center. The class is sponsored

annually by the Pittsburgh Chapter of Rose Croix.

Ralph C. Minehart 33°, Valley of Pittsburgh, was the founder of DeMolay in Pennsylvania 90 years ago.

To celebrate, Pennsylvania DeMolay Chapters have been tasked with doing four activities throughout this year.

First, each Chapter has been asked to take 90 seconds out of each meeting to discuss the history of Pennsylvania DeMolay.

To aid this, PA DeMolay has put together a booklet of 90 second talks.

Second, to amass a total of 90 hours of community service.

Third, to donate a minimum of \$90 to the Children's Dyslexia Center.

The Children's Dyslexia Center is the State Charity for PA DeMolay.

Fourth, for each Chapter to help Pennsylvania DeMolay reach its goal of bringing in 90 new members by their 2014 State Convention.

The only reason Pennsylvania DeMolay is around today is because of those Masons who

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came before us. Now, it is our duty and privilege to honor those men by working hard to make Pennsylvania DeMolay the best jurisdiction in all of DeMolay. ♦

"It is not the HONOR that you take with you, but the HERITAGE you leave behind."

— Branch Rickey, 33°

Members Wanted

The Chapters in the area serviced by the Valley of Pittsburgh, and the Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center, are in need of your help to recruit new members. DeMolay is an organization for young men between the ages of 12 and 21 years who are of good moral character. There are DeMolay Chapters in Bellevue, South Hills, Verona, Washington and Greensburg – and each one of these chapters could use more young men to become members and more devoted adults (men and women) who are 21 years of age or older to become advisors.

For more information on DeMolay please visit the Pennsylvania DeMolay Webpage at <http://pademolay.org>.

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Dewayne E. Welling, 32° Receives Medal for Masonic Service

The Medal for Masonic Service is an award conferred by the Supreme Council or the Sovereign Grand Commander on a Master Mason who embodies the Tenants of the Masonic Fraternity: Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth through his selfless acts in society at large.

Dewayne E. Welling, 32°, a 66-year member of King Solomon's Lodge No. 346 in Connellsville was honored and presented with this outstanding award on Tuesday, January 7 by Bro. Thomas K. Sturgeon, Active for Pennsylvania for outstanding public service to humanity.

Bro. Welling was born November 5, 1922, in Connellsville. One of 13 children, he graduated from Connellsville High School, attended Penn State University and is married 62 years to Charlotte Sue Driscoll. He is Father of 7 Children, 14 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

He served in the United States Navy, 1942-1946. Appointed to the USMC Academy, commissioned as an Ensign,

Bro. Welling was raised to the degree of Master Mason on February 8, 1949. He is a member of both the Valley of Uniontown and the Valley of Pittsburgh, where he serves as a hospitaler aide, and the Syria Shrine.

He assisted with the United Nations Relief Aid, under the Marshall plan and received the National American Legion service award.

He has served the youth of Western Pennsylvania, continuously since 1946.

Scoutmaster, Troop 2, Connellsville, district program chairman, district commissioner, district merit badge counselor, Board of review for Eagle Scout's, district president, advisor to the National Scouting Honorary, the Order of the Arrow, Advisor to Area 3F, Awarded the Silver

Beaver, Scouting's highest National Award for exemplary service to the local Scouting program, National Distinguished Service Award from the Order of the Arrow in recognition of exceptional leadership in service to the youth of Western Pennsylvania (one of only 3 local individuals to receive this National Award in the 90 year history. He presently serves as a trustee for Troop 150, Confluence, Pennsylvania.

He was recognized by the Westmoreland/Fayette Council, Boy Scouts of America, by having a camping area named for him at the Eberly Scouting Reservation in Bakersville, Pennsylvania.

In 1987, moved to Addison, PA where he has served for 7 elected, four-year terms on the Borough Council, serving as president for the past 20 years. President and manager of the Addison Water Authority, founded Addison Community Park which he serves as the caretaker, cofounder of the Pennsylvania National Heritage Park, Coordinator of the National Pike yearly festival.

He belongs to the Elks, NRA, NRP Party, American Legion, Lions Club and is a member of the Wesley United Methodist Church.

Dwayne is a recipient of the Daniel Carter Beard Masonic Scouter Award, awarded by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, for his service to both the Boy Scouts and Freemasonry. In 2010, Bro. Thomas K. Sturgeon, then Grand Master of Masons in Pennsylvania, presented this Award to him. ♦



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Calendar of Masonic Events



February 2014

- 22 - Fellowship Breakfast, GPMC
- 23 - Daytona 500 Party, GPMC
- 25 - High 12 Luncheon - Masonic Village at Sewickley

March 2014

- 21 - Chili Cook-off & Movie Stag - GPMC
- 25 - High 12 Luncheon - Masonic Village at Sewickley
- 28 - Grotto Lenten Fish Dinner, GPMC
- 29 - Fellowship Breakfast, GPMC

April 2014

- 03 - VALLEY STATED MEETING
- 04 - Grotto Lenten Fish Dinner - GPMC
- 04, 05, 06 - Shrine Circus - Consol Energy Center
- 11 - Grotto Lenten Fish Dinner, GPMC
- 12 - One-Day Class, GPMC
- 13 - Story of the Crucifixion, GPMC
- 18 - Grotto Lenten Fish Dinner. GPMC
- 22 - Hlgh 12 Luncheon - Masonic Village at Sewickley
- 26 - Fellowship Breakfast, GPMC

May 2014

- 20 - Samuel C. Williamson Plate Presentation, Valley Lodge No. 613
- 23 - Celebration of Education, GPMC
- 27 - High 12 Luncheon - Masonic Village at Sewickley
- 31 - Fellowship Breakfast, GPMC

June 2014

- 05 - VALLEY STATED MEETING
- 07 - Charity Golf, Butler's Golf Course
- 14 - Shrine Gun Bash, Shrine Pavillion
- 24 - High 12 Luncheon - Masonic Village at Sewickley
- 27 - Pirate Baseball with New York Mets, PNC Park
- 28 - Meeting in the Hills, Dawson, PA
- 28 - Fellowship Breakfast, GPMC
- 29 - Hiram's Riders Ride for Dyslexia,

July 2014

- 04 - Brentwood 4th of July Parade
- 22 - High 12 Luncheon - Masonic Village at Sewickley
- 26 - Fellowship Breakfast, GPMC

August 2014

- 01 - Shrine/Scottish Rite Picnic, Kennywood Park
- 02 - Picnic with the Grand Master, Masonic Village at Sewickley
- 22 - Wild Things Baseball, Consol Park, Washington, PA
- 26 - High 12 Luncheon - Masonic Village at Sewickley
- 30 - Fellowship Breakfast, GPMC

September 2014

- 04 - VALLEY STATED MEETING
- 22 - High 12 Luncheon - Masonic Village at Sewickley
- 27 - Fellowship Breakfast, GPMC

October 2014

- 25 - Fellowship Breakfast, GPMC
- 28 - High 12 Luncheon - Masonic Village at Sewickley

November 2014

- 06 - VALLEY STATED MEETING
- 29 - Fellowship Breakfast, GPMC

December 2014

- 06 - Valley Christmas Luncheon, Shanoppin Country Club
- 13 - Valley Children's Christmas Party, GPMC
- 20 - Hiram's Riders Christmas Luncheon, Grants Bar

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