

THE STORY OF THE CRUCIFIXION

Has been cancelled for Palm Sunday, March 28, 2021

Due to gathering size restrictions.

With much anticipation, we will have the Story of the Crucifixion

Palm Sunday, April 10, 2022

Spring Reunion

Save the date **April 17, 2021** for the Spring Class Reunion. The Class Honoree will be RWGM Thomas Gamon IV. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 restrictions, only candidates and officers are invited to attend. Valley members may view the Class virtually by contacting the office by Tuesday, April 13th.

Petitions for the Spring Reunion can be found on our website: valleyofpittsburgh.org then click on “**How to join**”; or, sent by mail when you call the office (412-939-3579).

Reservations are required!

Contact Valley Secretary: secretary@valleyofpittsburgh.org

We have received a dispensation to offer candidates \$0 for initiation fees. This is a great time to invite a Masonic friend to join the Scottish Rite.

BLOOD DRIVE

Saturday, May 1 to Monday, May 31, 2021

Brethren,

As Masons we are charged with making a positive and charitable impression on our families, our communities, and our Brethren. Here is a perfect opportunity to achieve those goals. For the entire month of May, you can donate blood at any Vitalant Collection Center, or Vitalant Blood Drive and use code **C2210052**. By using that code, the Children's Dyslexia will receive \$10.00 for every unit collected from the Masonic Blood and Organ Donor Program. Just think about all the people you influence. Three people in need are helped for every unit received, \$10.00 is sent to the Children's Dyslexia Center, and by your participation you have set an example for your family, your community and your Brethren.

Sign up for the virtual blood drive to get your emailed invitation to schedule your appointment.

https://learn.vitalant.org/LP=148?drive_code=C2210052&division=NORTHEAST%26%region=PIT

When your email arrives, click “Schedule Now” to book your appointment at any convenient blood donation location. At the time of donation use same email. This is important because it helps Vitalant connect your donation to our organizations’ virtual blood drive.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

William B. Bittinger, PM, Regional Coordinator

Masonic Blood and Organ Donor Program



Charity Golf Outing Children’s Dyslexia Center

Butler Golf Course, Lakeside Course—Elizabeth, PA

Open to men, women, members and non-members

\$100/person Registration 7-8 a.m. Tee-off 8:00 a.m.

Includes snack at turn, lunch along with skilled prizes. Contact Office to Register.

Saturday, June 19th Tee-off at 8 a.m.

Schedule of Events for April thru June 2021

March

28 Palm Sunday

April

01 Stated Meeting

01 Abbott Scholarships are due

04 Easter

10 COD Officers Seminar

17 Spring Class

May

1-31 Blood Drive

June

12 Golf Outing

Abbott Scholarships are available on the web-

site: <https://scottishritenmj.org/abbott>

All forms MUST be in the Valley office no later than Thursday, April 1, 2021. Mail to:

David Morgans, Secretary, Valley of Pittsburgh, 3579 Masonic Way, Pittsburgh, PA 15237.

NO FAXES will be accepted.



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BULLETIN

OF THE SCOTTISH RITE BODIES IN THE VALLEY OF PITTSBURGH
DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA, N.M.J., U.S.A.

Stated Meetings: First Thursday of September, November, February, April, and June

STATED MEETING NOTICE OF THE FOUR COORDINATE BODIES
Officers of the Lodge of Perfection will preside.

Dear Brother,

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 virtually through the ZOOM meeting platform.

Thursday, April 1st at 7:00 P.M.

Business will be transacted by the Lodge of Perfection, 14°; Council of Princes of Jerusalem, 16°; Chapter of Rose Croix, 18°; and Pennsylvania Consistory, 32°

By Order of: DAVID L. MOORE, 33°, Thrice Potent Master
MITCHELL D. GOLDSTEIN, 32°, Sovereign Prince
KRIS M. DOUGLAS, 32°, Most Wise Master
RODNEY E. BOYCE, 33°, Commander-in-Chief
Attest: DAVID W. MORGANS, 33°, *Secretary*
By Order of: Richard P. Kocian, 33°, MSA, *Chairman*
The Reception Committee will serve at the stated meeting
By Order of: Vince G. Monardo, 33°, MSA, *Chairman*
The Safety Committee will serve at the stated meeting
By Order of: Glenn D. Miller, II, 33°, *Chairman*
The Medical Committee will serve at the stated meeting

7:00 p.m. Stated Meeting

Due to the gathering restrictions currently in place as a result of COVID-19 and our concern for the well-being of our membership, the March Stated Meeting will be a virtual meeting.

To request your login credentials, please call the office at 412-939-3579 or email your request to secretary@valleyofpittsburgh.org by no later than Tuesday March 6th.

Officers of 2020-2021 Preside: April LoP, June PAC

The Valley of Pittsburgh would like to extend its heartfelt congratulations to **Illustrious Paul J. Roup, 33°**, Active Member of the Supreme Council for being the designee as the next Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden for the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. Brother Roup has served the Valley of Pittsburgh as the Thrice Potent Master of the Gourgas Lodge of Perfection and as Treasurer. He is the Editor for our RiteNow magazine, the Northern Light magazine, and is our Active.



Brother Roup has performed parts in many of our degrees, sang in the choir, and is a founding member of Ghost Light Productions, the Valley's theater company. He has also supported, planned, and worked at many of our Valley events. Brother Roup is a Past Master of Plum Creek Lodge #799 and Past District Deputy Grand Master of the 54th Masonic District. He is also a member of Syria Shrine, the Royal Order of Jesters and the recipient of the DeMolay Legion of Honor, Honorary Member.

Illustrious Brother Roup has served the Fraternity in general and our Valley in particular very well over the years. We wish him well as he embarks on a new journey in the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and look forward to the positive impact his leadership skills will bring to Freemasonry.

GREAT CHALLENGE OPPORTUNITY FOR HELPING A STUDENT



Brethren, one of the Valley's current officers has issued a challenge to any individual or group. This Officer has personally donated \$2,500.00 to Co-Sponsor a student at the Children's Dyslexia Center in Pittsburgh and is challenging members or groups to match his donation and become a Co-Sponsor, too. Dyslexia is not curable, but it can be overcome successfully. This miracle is happening daily at our Children's Dyslexia Centers. Every year, it costs approximately \$5,000 to tutor one child at our Children's Dyslexia Center, but the results are priceless. Students see their reading and spelling skills greatly improve, but more importantly, their attitudes change, and their self-esteem grows.

Not everyone is able to commit \$5,000 to be a Sponsor or \$2,500 to become a Co-Sponsor. If you are, great! There are students who would appreciate your support. If not, please consider talking with your friends or groups to which you may belong to answer the challenge that has been issued to **Co-Sponsor a student**. To become a Co-Sponsor with our Valley officer, please contact the office for more details or send a check made out to **CDC-Pittsburgh with Co-Sponsor Challenge** in the memo line to the Valley of Pittsburgh 3579 Masonic Way Pittsburgh, PA 15237.