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Welcome To Our New Brothers

The Brethren seen above were Created Sublime Princes of the Royal Secret, 32°, Scottish Rite Masons on November 19, 2011. Seated with Samuel P. Wandzilak, 32°, Thrice Potent Master; David G. Wells, 32°, Sovereign Prince; Ill. William J. Oehme, 33°, Most Wise Master; Ill. Herbert K. Swisher, 33°, Commander-in-Chief; and the Class Marshals; is Sir Knight John K. March, Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandary of Knights Templar in Pennsylvania.

The Newly Created Sublime Princes are:

- Alan B. Coho  West Chester, PA  West Chester Lodge No. 322
- William S. Fames  Ephrata, PA  Ephrata Lodge No.665
- Lewis G. Hall, Jr. Honey Brook, PA  Howell Lodge No. 405
- Timothy C. Honey Narvon, PA  Lodge No. 62
- Ronald H. Lambert, Jr. Spring City, PA  Stichter Lodge No. 254
- Michael B. Markoski Atglen, PA  Christiana Lodge No. 417
- John J. McGrath, III Reinholds, PA  Stichter Lodge No. 254
- Michael A. Moyer Reinholds, PA  Christiana Lodge No. 417
- John R. O’Neill, Jr. Phoenixville, PA  Lodge No. 62
- C. Scott Overdorf Lancaster, PA  Ephrata Lodge No. 665
- John H. Rose Blandon, PA  Thomson Lodge No. 340
- Carter E. Stein Temple, PA  Lodge No. 43
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Happy New Year!

As I start this column, I am thinking about all of the great memories I have of our Fall Reunion. It was a tremendous and fulfilling day. I appreciate all of the support that everyone gave to me and to the Valley of Reading. It was fun to have Sir Knight John K. March, a recipient of the Scottish Rite Masonic Service Award and the Right Eminent Grand Commander of Knights Templar as our Honored Guest. His presentation was inspiring and if you missed it, you missed a very special message.

I am also thinking about the holiday season. I hope that it has been a wonderful, safe, and healthy time for all.

A new calendar year is upon us filled with several challenges and certainly many opportunities to improve our organization. The officers of the Valley of Reading are working hard to promote Scottish Rite Masonry, and your support of their efforts is appreciated.

Within these pages you will see an advertisement for the Feast of Tishri that is being planned for an evening in October. What in the world is that you may ask? It will be an event that you will not want to miss. It will be an evening of excellent food, fellowship, ceremony, and a message from a very special guest. It will be an experience that will summon the memory of the fraternal finery of bygone days and inspire us to rededicate ourselves to our Fraternity. Watch for the details in future Valley Notices and make plans to join us for a premier fraternal experience.

I hope to see you on the stage.

Brethren,

I'm going to share a story with you that I personally refer to on a regular basis that helps me stay focused on the things that I feel are important. The story has to do with understanding the frequently confused usage of time and priorities, and I am sure many of you have already read or heard of it. How often has someone said to you, "I just didn't have time to get to that" [whatever 'that' happens to be]. Each day has the same amount of time, 24 hours. Therefore, what they really told you was that something else took priority over your request.

ROCKS, PEBBLES and SAND

A philosophy professor stood before his class with some items in front of him. When class began, he wordlessly picked up a large empty mayonnaise jar and proceeded to fill it with rocks about two inches in diameter. He then asked the students if the jar was full. They agreed that it was.

The professor then picked up a box of pebbles, poured them into the jar and lightly shook it. The pebbles, of course, rolled into the open areas between the rocks. The students laughed. He asked his students again if the jar was full. They agreed that it was.

The professor then picked up a box of sand and poured it into the jar. Of course, the sand filled up everything else.

"Now," said the professor, "I want you to recognize that this is your life. The rocks are the important things—your family, your partner, your health, your children—anything that is so important to you that if it were lost, you would be nearly destroyed. The pebbles are the other things in life that matter, but on a smaller scale. The pebbles represent things like your job, your kids, your car. The sand is everything else—the small stuff.

"If you put the sand or the pebbles into the jar first, there is no room for the rocks. The same goes for your life. If you spend all your energy and time on the small stuff, material things, you will never have room for the things that are truly most important. Pay attention to the things that are critical in your life. Play with your children—anything that is so important to you that if it were lost, you would be nearly destroyed. The pebbles are the other things in life that matter, but on a smaller scale. The pebbles represent things like your job, your kids, your car. The sand is everything else—the small stuff.

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Wise words. In your own life, be sure to take care of the rocks first—the things that really matter. Remember, the rest is only pebbles and sand.

Brethren, I encourage you to keep our Fraternity a Rock in your Life and make it a Priority.
Sovereign Prince Speaks

David G. Wells

My personal thanks to everyone who helped to make the 2011 Scottish Rite Family Life Weekends another great success! We could not have done it without the help of many individuals from all areas of the Valley of Reading including clubs, auxiliary organizations, youth organizations, and others. The list goes on and on. Thanks to all of you! Especially in these difficult economic times, opening our doors to offer a quality holiday experience to the public at no-charge is something of which we can all be proud. I would genuinely like to recognize everyone individually here, but space and time do not permit. So, to everyone who helped, I’d like to offer a sincere, “Well done!”

And now it’s January, the start of a new year and also the time for making resolutions. Why not make a resolution to get more out of your Masonic memberships by getting more involved. Make it a point to dust off that membership card and get to at least one more Masonic meeting, or event, in 2012 than you did last year. This could be the one New Year’s resolution that you can actually complete!

January is also marked by short days, cold weather, and maybe even snow and ice. And, to make matters worse, it’s a long time until the next holiday break! That’s enough to dampen anyone’s spirits. So, while we batten down our hatches and wait for the groundhog to show himself and hope that furry little guy signals an early spring, look through the calendar of Scottish Rite events in this issue. There really is something there for everyone. There’s sure to be at least one event that piques your interest. Mark those events on your 2012 planning calendar now and make your resolution to join us at least once this year.

Most Wise Master’s Moment

Ill. William J. Oehme, 33°

Happy New Year everyone! It’s hard to believe we’re in the year 2012. I trust everyone had an enjoyable holiday season. I would like to once again congratulate the members of the Fall Class of 2011. We welcome you to our Valley. Please take the time to thoroughly read our Valley Notice and take advantage of the many events and opportunities listed within.

Once again the Council of Princes of Jerusalem did an excellent job with the Family Life program. It takes a lot of hard work and dedication to set up the various displays on two consecutive weekends, especially during the busy month of December. This event could not happen if it were not for the many people who give of their time to help make it a success. Thanks go out to all those members who participated and helped out.

Sunday, March 18th, 2012. Put that date on your calendars. It is the date for the Feast of the Paschal Lamb. Francis Marion, Highly Chapter Knights of Rose Croix, assisted by the Knights Templar and Knights of Columbus will observe the beautiful and symbolic celebration of the Feast of the Paschal Lamb as a memorial service to honor our Brethren from the Valley of Reading who have passed through the West Gate of the Temple to their eternal reward during the preceding year. This inspirational service is our way of showing respect to family and friends and to commemorate the lives of our departed Brothers. This program is open to the public and is a great way to let our families and friends see our good works. The officers of the Chapter of Rose Croix will soon begin rehearsing diligently for this program.

Don’t forget the January Stated Meeting on January 24th.

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### AASR VALLEY OF READING 2012 CALENDAR

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R. E. Grand Commander J.K. March Greets 13 Who Receive Scottish Rite Degrees At Reunion

Sir Knight John K. March, the Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandary of Knights Templar of Pennsylvania was the Honored Guest and principal speaker for the 2011 Fall Reunion of the Valley of Reading on Saturday, Nov. 19 when 13 Masons received requisite Scottish Rite degrees.

Sir Knight March was raised a Master Mason in Williamson Lodge No.399, Downingtown in 1985 and served as Worshipful Master in 1990 He is a Past High Priest of Coatesville Royal Arch Chapter No. 267 and a Past Thrice Potent Master of Goodwin Council No. 19, Royal and Select Masters. His position and achievements in Commandary are many and extensive since he was created a member of the Valiant and Magnanimous Order of the Temple in Centennial Commandary No. 55 stationed in Coatesville, where he also is a Past Commander. He served as Division 9 Commander; in the Grand line of the Grand Commandary and now is Right Eminent Grand Commander. In Scottish Rite, Brother March was created a Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret, 32º, in Reading Consistory in 1986 and is the 2010 recipient of the Scottish Rite Medal for Masonic service. John rides a Harley-Davison motorcycle and is a charter member of Hiram’s Scottish Riders Motorcycle Club.

Sir Knight March is a resident of Downingtown and graduate of Bishop Shanahan Roman Catholic High School in West Chester. He is a veteran, having served in the U. S. Marine Corps from 1964 through 1967. He is currently employed as an emergency gas and electric technician with PECO Energy.

Members of the Fall Reunion Class

The 13 Brothers who received degrees during the Fall Reunion of the Valley of Reading are (listed in alphabetical order): Alan Bruce Coho, 60, West Chester, store operations, of West Chester Lodge No. 322; William Stratten Farnes, 41, Ephrata, driver, of Ephrata Lodge No. 665; Lewis Guy Hall, Jr., 21, Honey Brook, student, of Howell Lodge No. 405, Honey Brook; Timothy Charles Honey, 44, Narvon, President of Honey Co., of Lodge No. 62, West Reading; Ronald Harvey Lambert, 43, Spring City, truck driver, of Stichter Lodge No.254, Pottstown; Michael Bernard Markoski, 58, Pottstown, Executive Chef, of Stichter Lodge No.254, Pottstown; John James McGrath, 3rd, 69, Atglen, school bus driver, of Christiana Lodge No. 417; Michael Anthony Moyer, 39, Reinholds, sales representative, of Lodge No. 62, West Reading; John Robert O’Neill, Jr., 39, Reinholds, veterinarian, of Ephrata Lodge No. 665; Carl Scott Overdorf, 71, Phoenixville, retired, of Thompson Lodge No. 340, Paoli; John Hardy Rose, 68, Lancaster, retired, of Lodge 43, Lancaster; Carter Edward Stein, 19, Blandon, student, Huguenot Lodge No. 377, Kutztown; and Karl Dieter Wolter, 36, Temple, Horticulture Manager, Teutonia Lodge No. 367, West Reading.

A Big “Thank You” Due To Ontelaunee Club

The Ontelaunee Club of the Valley of Reading recently donated a new chest Freezer for the Cathedral kitchen and a new commercial grade printer for the Scottish Rite Office computer system. Their fundraising efforts are much appreciated and go a long way in saving the Valley money.
Fashions in Bloom

Saturday, April 14, 2012
Doors Open at 11:00 a.m.
Lunch - 12:00 Noon
($20.00 per person)

Scottish Rite Cathedral
310 S. Seventh Street
West Reading, PA

Fashion Show - Luncheon - Door Prizes
Fashions By Boscov’s

For Tickets Contact:
Elsie Lange 610-286-9306
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T.T.G.O.T.G.A.O.T.U.
A Stated meeting of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Bodies of Freemasonry sitting in the Valley of Reading, Pennsylvania will be held in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, 310 S. Seventh Avenue, West Reading, Pa., on the 29th day of the Hebrew month Tevet 5772 corresponding to:

Tuesday, January 24, 2012
7:00 o’clock p.m.
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ATTEST: Christopher H. Tecklenburg, 33°, MSA Secretary

Ontelaunee Club
His & Her Clambake & Fish Fry
Look for full details in the March issue of Valley Notice.
any questions, call or e-mail Irv Herring at 610-562-7300 or idherring@msn.com
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Proposed By-Laws Change at the January Meeting

Proposed changes to the By-laws of the Valley of Reading will be acted upon at the January 24 Stated Meeting. The proposed changes were receive in writing and presented at the October 25, 2011 Stated Meeting and laid over for action at this month’s meeting. The proposal was made to amend the by-laws, with the approval of the Executive Committee.

A motion was properly made and seconded to amend the Rules and Regulations of the Valley of Reading, State of Pennsylvania, of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry:

Under Dues, Section 33
Delete the figure $18.00 following Lodge of Perfection, $14.00 following Council Princes of Jerusalem, $14.00 following Chapter of Rose Croix, and $14.00 following Consistory, and replace with $20.50, $16.50, $16.50, and $16.50, so that Section 33 shall read:

Section 33. The annual dues payable in advance on the first day of June of each year shall be as follows:

Lodge of Perfection   $20.50
Council Princes of Jerusalem                $16.50
Chapter Rose Croix   $16.50
Consistory    $16.50

Total:  $70.00

Section 33a remains unchanged. Supreme Council dues and Pennsylvania Council of Deliberation dues, if any, will be billed and collected simultaneously with the dues of the four coordinate bodies.

The motion was presented by Illustrious Brother Robert W. Fries, 33°, and seconded by Brother Samuel P. Wandzilak, 32°, both members of the budget Committee.

Reading Consistory
Sublime Princes of the Royal Secret, 32°

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A Members Only, Black Tie, Dinner inclusive to all Master Masons

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COMBINED COUNTY CLUBS
LADIES COMEDY NIGHT MARCH 3rd

MASONIC SCHOLARSHIPS

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Go to Quick Links > Click on Member Downloads
Go to Forms > Click on Abbott Scholarship Form

Masonic Scholarship Resource Guide
www.pegrandlodge.org/pyf/scholar/index.html
Click on Masonic Scholarship Resource Guide
Brethren,

Here's your chance to show your lady the appreciation she so well deserves. Let's band together with brothers, neighbors and friends. Great entertainment will follow the scrumptious sit down dinner right here at the Scottish Rite Cathedral. Reservations are a must through the valley and full tables of 8 can be reserved.

**Pete Geist** is a 12-year-old trapped in the body of a 36-year-old man. If Geist were an accountant that might be a problem, but for Geist, a professional comedian, it's a good thing. Geist has been performing his one-man show for 17 years and has been featured at the International Children's Festival in Virginia, the National Theatre's Family Series in Washington, DC, and the Goodwill Games in New York, among other venues throughout the United States, Canada and Europe. As an accomplished physical comedian, he will transform your stage into a whirlwind of energy as he combines his unique blend of new vaudevillian skills and tons of zany audience participation. Geist's brand of physical comedy is an exciting, unique theatrical presentation and a one-of-a-kind phenomenon. Audiences have never seen anything quite like him! Sit back, hold onto your seats and experience his multi-talented, one-man detour to hilarity. Visit him at [http://www.visualcomedian.com/](http://www.visualcomedian.com/)

Ticket prices for the SHOW ONLY $10.00 ..... Combo includes DINNER and SHOW $30.00

Seating limited to the first 600

**COMBINED COUNTY CLUB’S LADIES NIGHT ORDER FORM**

For reservations by mail, complete the order form below and send with check and stamped self addressed envelope to: Scottish Rite Office PO BOX 6013 Reading PA 19610

Reservation deadline is Friday 2/24.2012

Enclosed is my check in the amount of $___________ for the Combined Ladies Night.

# _____ Tickets for Dinner and Show at $30.00 each  
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Mail to: Mrs. Carol Brandt, 437 Ford Drive, Elizabethtown, PA 17022

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If you have any questions, please contact: Marion I. Miller, 2042 Old Route 100,
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Abbott Scholarship Requirements Revised

Eligibility for the Leon S. Abbott Scholarship Program has been revised to include only the children of Scottish Rite members. Grandchildren of members are no longer eligible. Those meeting any of the following criteria are eligible to apply for the 2012 Abbott Scholarship program:

- A Scottish Rite Mason of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction.
- A child of a Scottish Rite Mason of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, who is a high school senior or currently enrolled at an accredited college or university, who has attained a minimum grade point average of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale.
- A member of DeMolay, Rainbow or Jobs Daughters in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction who is a high school senior or currently enrolled at an accredited college or university, who has attained a minimum grade point average of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale.

County Clubs Corner

By Carl F. Berger

Each issue the message goes out about your county clubs importance and the importance of being active either by taking an office or merely attending. This writing will be brief due to the fact our job as a Scottish Rite Mason to your county club’s number one purpose is to promote and seek membership. We often joke or comment about the Knife and Fork degree but how often is membership mentioned part of our duty. Yes, we gather for great social times but are we sharing that experience with a Blue Lodge member for the purpose of providing him and his family the lessons and privileges in the Fraternity of choice.

I Am The Guy

- I am the guy who asked to join your organization.
- I am the guy who paid his dues to join.
- I am the guy who stood up in front of you and promised to be faithful and loyal to the Fraternity.
- I am the guy who came to your meeting and no one paid any attention to.
- I tried several times to be friends but they all had their own buddies to talk to and sit next to.
- I sat down several times alone but no one paid any attention to me.
- I hoped very much that someone would have asked me to take part in a fundraising project, activity, or something.
- No one saw my efforts when I volunteered.
- I missed a few meetings after joining because I was sick and could not be there.
- No one asked me at the next meeting where I had been.
- I felt it did not matter very much to others whether I was there or not. The next meeting I decided to stay home and watch TV.
- The following meeting I attended but no one asked me where I was at the last meeting.
- You might say I am a good guy, a good family man, who holds a good job, loves his community and his country.
- You know who else I am? I am the guy who never came back.
- It amuses me how the heads of the organization and the members discuss why the organization is losing members.
- It amuses me to think that they spend so much time looking for new members. When I was there all the time.

Let’s do our part- CALL SOMEONE

March 3, 2012 – A Date Which Will Live...
In Hilarity!

Combined County Clubs Ladies Night
Saturday, March 3

It’s Up to You & Me

Why you ask? Good question. Here’s a tidbit to swallow. In 2006, the Valley of Reading boasted 4,456 members. Today, our membership has declined to only 3,496. Do the math and ask why such a drastic decline in just five years. Could it be that we, as members are inactive in attending the reunions, stated meetings, Valley and or county club functions. Attend a few gatherings it becomes quite easy to discuss the pleasures and rewards of Scottish Rite to others.

Let’s band together and make a difference in 2012. Bring a worthy Brother on board and attend at least two functions of your choosing per quarter. See what a difference we can make.
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