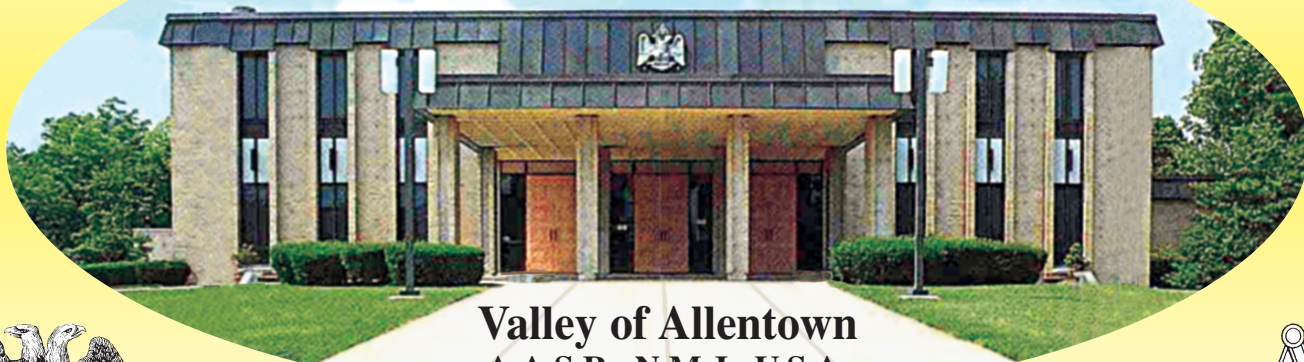


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S.G.I.G. George M. Calloway, 33° Deputy of the Orient of Pennsylvania, Prince Hall Affiliation FALL CLASS HONOREE

The presiding officers of the Valley of Allentown have chosen S.G.I.G. George M. Calloway, 33°, as our Fall 2012 Class Honoree. In June, 2010, Illustrious Calloway was appointed to the position of Illustrious Deputy of the Orient of Pennsylvania by Sovereign Grand Commander Solomon Wallace of the United Supreme Council, Prince Hall Affiliation, Northern Jurisdiction.

He was raised a Master Mason in 1956 at Lincoln Star Prince Hall Lodge No. 71, located in McDonald, Pa. He is a Past Master in Golden Star Prince Hall Lodge No. 143 in Pittsburgh, PA. He was Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania in 1981/83. Illustrious Calloway



was created a Grand Inspector General in May 1977, in the United Supreme Council, Prince Hall Affiliation, Northern Jurisdiction. In May, 1991, he was created a Sovereign Grand Inspector General, Active Member.

Illustrious Calloway in a speech recently delivered to a group of Masons made the following comment. "When I was raised a Master Mason in 1956, I had no knowledge that I had joined a Masonic Caste system. I had no idea that there were "Black Masons" and "White Masons". It hit me hard when I realized that a "white friend and employee of mine", who happened to be a Mason, could not attend meetings together. I decided to seek answers as to why. I soon found out

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ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS 2012-2013

MUHLENBERG LODGE OF PERFECTION, 14°

David M. Howells Jr., 32°Thrice Potent Master
 Ronald C. Dickert, 32°Deputy Master
 Richard D. Hess, 32°Senior Warden
 Robert H. Hoffman III, 32°Junior Warden
 Timothy J. Hodgdon, 32°Orator
 David W. Evans, 32°Master of Ceremonies
 Dennis L. Robinson, 33°Hospitaler
 Dale H. Ott, 32°Captain of the Guard
 Mark F. Traupman, 32°Tyler for all four Bodies

LAFAYETTE COUNCIL PRINCES OF JERUSALEM, 16°

James A. Roach Jr., 32°Sovereign Prince
 Mark D. Gall, 32°High Priest
 Thomas J. Hodgdon, 32°Senior Warden
 Lloyd L. Roberts, 32°Junior Warden
 George Skaff, 32°Master of Ceremonies
 Kirk E. Muller, 32°Hospitaler
 Robert J. Egner, 32°Master of Entrances

BETHLEHEM CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX, 18°

Gerard F. Palagonia, 32°Most Wise Master
 Robert P. Johnston II, 32°Senior Warden
 Jeffrey A. Moser, 32°, M.S.A.Junior Warden
 Robert W. Bunch Jr., 32°Orator
 Laszlo Toth, 32°Master of Ceremonies
 Bryan K. Fritz, 32°Hospitaler
 Gerard A. Machado, 32°Captain of the Guard

LEHIGH CONSISTORY, S.P.R.S., 32°

Raymond B. Greer, 33°Commander-In-Chief
 Ronald J. Norcross, 33°First Lieutenant Commander
 Stephen Gardner, 33°Second Lieutenant
 William M. Glose III, 33°Treasurer for all four Bodies
 Larry G. Newhard, 33°Secretary for all four Bodies
 Ronald J. Dotsey, 32°Orator
 Guy R. Bieber, 33°Chancellor
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S.G.I.G. George M. Calloway, 33°

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that the word “Segregation” was alive and well in the fraternity espousing the “Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man”.

When Illustrious Calloway became the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons for the Prince Hall Jurisdiction of PA, he was even more concerned about the fact that they as Master Masons were considered as “Irregular” in the view of some so called Regular Masons and he decided to try to do something about it. He contacted Illustrious Samuel Williamson, 33°, who was the then Grand Master of the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. The two men met and found that they both shared the same concern about recognition within the two grand lodges. They both agreed, however, that at that time they could do nothing about the situation. However, they were able to combine the two youth groups, the Order of DeMolay and the Knights of Pythagoras, to meet together annually at Elizabethtown and that arrangement has been going on for 30 years.

On January 23, 1995, a Resolution was presented by the Supreme Council of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite for the Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America and the United Supreme Council, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Prince Hall Affiliation, Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A. Inc. The resolution was approved and signed by Illustrious Robert O. Ralston, 33° and Illustrious Samuel Brogdon Jr., 33° who were at the time the Sovereign Grand Commanders of the two Supreme Councils. The resolution stated that “Upon approval of this Resolution by both Supreme Councils, the Supreme Councils will communicate and accord visitation rights to each other to the extent that the two Supreme Councils, now and from time to time hereafter, agree to exchange fraternal recognition and rights of visitation in their respective jurisdictions.” Shortly thereafter, on August 31, 1995, Committees from the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of PA, and the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, met and both groups expressed a desire to be recognized as regular by each other. It was agreed that action should be taken by Prince Hall Grand Lodge to seek recognition from the Grand Lodge of England, and then, subsequently, recognition from each other. Illustrious Calloway wrote a letter of request to the Grand

Lodge of England, and on June 11, 1997, the Grand Lodge of England acknowledged the letter and did “Approve the recognition of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania”. Thus the dream that RWGM Williamson and MWGM Calloway had in 1982, became a reality.

Illustrious Calloway is a graduate of the Western PA Institute of Technology with an Associates Degree in Machine Design. He is also a graduate, with an MBA from the University of Pittsburgh. He began his career as a Machine Designer for the Steel City Electric Company (later taken over by the Midland Ross Corporation). He worked his way up to Plant Manager and at retirement he was Divisional Manager of three manufacturing plants. After retirement, he had been employed as Office Manager, US Census Bureau, Dept. of Commerce, Pittsburgh. He is the father of two daughters, Glenda S. Ellison and Valda R. Braziel.

S.G.I.G George M. Calloway, 33°, along with other distinguished guests, will be present at our Fall Reunion on October 27, 2012. Greet them with the handshake of Brotherly Love and thank George for making HIS and OUR dream a reality.



Valley Upcoming Events...

October 2012:

- SATURDAY 6thBucks Region - Oktoberfest - 7pm
 SUNDAY 7thAnnual 33rd Dinner, Scottish Rite Center - 3pm
 TUESDAY 9thValley Stated Meeting, Moulson Room - 7:30pm
 All members invited
 SUNDAY 14th5K Walk Event for Dyslexia - Registration 1pm
 MONDAY 15thDoylestown Lodge Annual Golf Outing
 Shotgun start 9am
 TUESDAY 23rdExecutive Committee Meeting - 7:30pm
 SATURDAY 27thFall Reunion - Class Honoree -
 S.G.I.G. George M. Calloway, 33°
 SUNDAY 28th2nd Annual Musical Concert,
 Cathedral Auditorium - 3pm

November 2012:

- THURSDAY 15thNewsletter article deadline - Winter issue
 TUESDAY 27thExecutive Committee Meeting - 7:30pm

December 2012:

- SATURDAY 8th5th Annual Saturday with Santa,
 Moulson Room - 9am
 SATURDAY 8thChristmas Gift Basket delivery
 SATURDAY 8thSovereign Princes - Officers Dinner,
 Scottish Rite Center
 MONDAY 31stWinter “Messenger” mailing

Three from Valley Receive 33°

A week long meeting of the Supreme Council for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction concluded on August 28th, 2012 in Cleveland, Ohio, with the conferral of the 33rd Degree upon members of the Scottish Rite who were selected for outstanding service to Scottish Rite Masonry and humanity. Among the class were three from the Valley of Allentown.



III. Kraig D. Hess, 33°, was installed Thrice Potent Master of Muhlenberg Lodge of Perfection in 2010. He became a Master Mason of Slatington Lodge No. 440 in June, 1987, and was elected its Worshipful Master in 2002. He is a graduate of the Pennsylvania State University

where he received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering. He has been employed as a Project Engineer and Maintenance Coordinator for approximately 20 years in metals recycling and the cement industries. He is currently a self employed General Contractor. Brother Hess is a member and Past MEHP of Slatington Royal Arch Chapter where he has also served as Treasurer and Secretary. He served the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania as District Deputy Grand High Priest from 1999 to 2004. He is a Past TIM of Allen Council No. 23, R&SMM and a Past Eminent Commander of Packer Commandery No. 23. He is also a member of Penn Priory No. 6, Knights of the York Cross of Honor; Mary Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine; and General John J. Sullivan Council No. 84, Allied Masonic Degrees. He is also a member of Rajah Shrine. He and his wife, Janelle, are the parents of Connor 12, and Mackenzie 8.



III. George B. Hixon, 33°, was installed Most Wise Master of Bethlehem Chapter of Rose Croix in 2010. Brother Hixon is a member of Bethlehem Lodge No. 283 and he served as Worshipful Master in 2005, 2008, and 2009. He is also a dual member of Lehigh Valley Day Lodge No. 813.

He has been a member of the Valley of Allentown since Spring, 2002. He has served on the Safety Committee and has appeared in the 4th, 12th, 15th, 17th, 20th, 29th and 32nd Degrees. He is a member of Ezra R.A.C. No. 216 where he served as High Priest 2006-2010. He is a member of Bethlehem Council No. 36 where he served as T.I.M. in 2009. He is currently Eminent Commander of Allen-Beauceant

Commandery No. 20. Brother George is a member of Allied Masonic Degrees, Valley Council No. 352; Mary Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine; Knight Masons, Northeast Council No. 74; William Allen York Rite College No. 176; Rajah Shine; Lehigh Valley High Twelve Club No. 493 of which he is currently serving as President; and the Royal Order of Scotland. He is a Life Member of the National and State Society, Sons of the American Revolution, Valley Forge Chapter. He is married to the former Leslie M. Buchanan, and they reside in Plainfield Township. Brother George is a member of Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church in Bethlehem.



III. Bruce L. Castor Jr., 33° is a member of Charity Lodge No.190 in Jeffersonville, and the Valley of Allentown, since 1992. His Lodge has honored him with the "Outstanding Service to Community Award" and the Perkiomen Valley High Twelve Club presented him with a

Certificate of Appreciation. Brother Castor is well known throughout Montgomery County and the State of Pennsylvania for the quarter century of public service and leadership he has given to his community. A life-long resident of Montgomery County, Brother Castor is a graduate of Lafayette College with an A.B. in Government and Law. He then received his J.D. from the Washington and Lee University School of Law in Lexington, VA. He has received advanced education from the National College of District Attorneys and at the FBI National Academy in Quantico, VA. He has been a prosecutor since 1986 and was elected District Attorney of Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, on November 2, 1999. During his career, he has prosecuted primarily homicide cases. He has received recognition for his efforts by the state legislature on two occasions, as well as by Governors Ridge and Casey. He frequently lectures on topics related to criminal investigation and prosecution. He is a member of the bar of the United States Supreme Court, the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, and the Federal District Court. He is currently a Trustee of the Norristown State Hospital. His list of honors and awards from law enforcement, governmental, and civic organizations is too long to be included in this article. He is married to Elizabeth Pierce Castor and they have two children, Bruce L. III and Alexandria E. They are members of Abington Presbyterian Church.





Commander-In-Chief's Message

Dear Brethren,

When last I wrote, spring was fast upon us. Our Spring Reunion was around the corner. Now, as the summer daylight hours continue to shorten, we anticipate the beauty of autumn and moderated temperatures. Mother Nature prepares for changes in seasons; so, too, the Valley of Allentown. All newly elected officers were installed in May. A successful Annual Valley Picnic reminded us the end of summer neared. As plans for the Fall Reunion are finalized and published, details for the Spring Reunion in May 2013 move forward.

Our one day Reunion is Saturday, October 27th. It promises to be a memorable, if not historic, day. Details are included in this edition of The Messenger. Our class honoree, selected by the four presiding officers, is S.G.I.G. George M. Calloway, 33°. Illustrious Calloway has an impressive Masonic resume. By some, Illustrious Brothers, Illustrious Calloway is remembered as the Most Worshipful Grand Master for the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge Free and Accepted Masons of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. He and Illustrious Samuel Williamson, 33°, Right Worshipful Grand Master of our Grand Lodge, gave birth to the exchange of recognition between the two Grand Lodges. Valley officers know him as Deputy of the Orient of Pennsylvania. Illustrious Calloway is the Prince Hall counter part of our own Deputy for Pennsylvania, Illustrious Russell Baker, 33°.

Illustrious Calloway anticipates at least two of his Scottish Rite brothers will attend the Fall Reunion. They are S. G. I. G. Dr. Solomon Wallace, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander and Brother Dr. Murphy J. Keller, 33°, Most Worshipful Grand Master. Their attendance will represent an additional honor for our Valley.

Have you heard? It is official. It has begun. "What has begun", you ask? A sixteen month celebration of the two hundredth anniversary of the founding of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish

Rite, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction has started! On August 5, 1813, our Scottish Rite jurisdiction came to be. Birthed by the Mother Supreme Council, now the Southern Jurisdiction, then situated in Charleston, S.C., the Rite enters its third century. Check out the information in this edition for news from Lexington. Visit <http://www.scottishritenmj.org> to see what the Supreme Council has planned, including membership incentives.

What about the Valley of Allentown; what are we planning for the bicentennial? Six years ago planning for the anniversary began. We could not think of a more notable occasion to mark this historic event than to invite the Sovereign Grand Commanders of both jurisdictions to a Scottish Rite Reunion at the Valley of Allentown. Invitations were extended and accepted. Illustrious John W. McNaughton, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander, will welcome to the Valley the class honoree, Illustrious Ronald A. Seale, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander for the Southern Jurisdiction. We also anticipate brothers from the Southern Jurisdiction will present one of their degrees. Now is the time to mark your May 2013 calendar.

In the last issue of The Messenger, I sought reactions from all brothers regarding the value of their membership. I welcome your response to the following:

- Why are you a Scottish Rite Mason?
- What special memory do you have of your membership?
- Why do you OR don't you attend reunions?
- What one suggestion do you have that would make your participation more frequent or enjoyable?

Your responses are welcome at CmndrinChief_VoA@hotmail.com.

Reunions are a time of celebration - our unity as Masonic brothers; degrees that are lessons that form the values of the fraternity. Join me on October 27th to celebrate fraternity and Scottish Rite Masonry.

Fraternally,
Raymond B. Greer, 33°
Commander-in-Chief
Lehigh Consistory



Fall Reunion 2012

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2012

- 7:30 A.M. - CLASS ORIENTATION
- 8:00 A.M. - OPEN MUHLENBERG LODGE OF PERFECTION, 14°
DAVID M. HOWELLS, JR., 32°, THrice POTENT MASTER
- 8:15 A.M. - PREFACE TO THE INEFFABLE DEGREES
- 8:30 A.M. - PRESENTATION OF THE 4° DEGREE CAPTAIN -
ILL. TODD R. BARINGER, 33°
- 9:00 A.M. - RECESS
- 9:15 A.M. - PRESENTATION OF THE 11° DEGREE CAPTAIN -
ILL. TODD R. BARINGER, 33°
- 10:30 A.M. - RECESS
- 10:45 A.M. - PRESENTATION OF THE 14° -
PRESENTED BY MUHLENBERG LODGE OF PERFECTION PAST THrice POTENT MASTERS DEGREE CAPTAIN -
ILL. TODD R. BARINGER, 33°
- 11:45 A.M. - CLOSE MUHLENBERG LODGE OF PERFECTION, 14°
- 11:50 A.M. - RECESS, CLASS PHOTO
- 12:00 P.M. - LUNCH
- 1:00 P.M. - OPEN LAFAYETTE COUNCIL, PRINCES OF JERUSALEM, 16°
JAMES A. ROACH JR., 32°, SOVEREIGN PRINCE
- 1:15 P.M. - COMMUNICATION OF THE 15°
JAMES A. ROACH, JR, 32°, SOVEREIGN PRINCE
- 1:45 P.M. - CLOSE LAFAYETTE COUNCIL, PRINCES OF JERUSALEM, 16°
- 1:55 P.M. - RECEPTION OF CLASS HONOREE AND HONORED GUESTS
- 2:55 P.M. - OPEN BETHLEHEM CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX, 18°
GERARD F. PALAGONIA, 32°, MOST WISE MASTER
- 3:20 P.M. - RECESS
- 3:35 P.M. - PRESENTATION OF THE 18° -
PRESENTED BY BETHLEHEM CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX OFFICERS DEGREE CAPTAIN -
ILL. GEORGE B. HIXON, 33°
- 4:20 P.M. - CLOSE BETHLEHEM CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX, 18°
- 4:30 P.M. - RECESS
- 4:45 P.M. - OPEN LEHIGH CONSISTORY, S.P.R.S., 32°
ILL. RAYMOND B. GREER, 33°, COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF
- 5:00 P.M. - PRESENT CLASS OFFICERS
- 5:15 P.M. - PRESENTATION OF THE 32° DEGREE CAPTAIN -
ILL. RAYMOND B. GREER, 33°, COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF
- 5:45 P.M. - CLOSE LEHIGH CONSISTORY, S.P.R.S., 32°



200 YEARS OF BROTHERHOOD

Scottish Rite Freemasonry *Come Into the Light*

In 2013, we will be celebrating the 200 years as the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the U.S.A. Many programs and activities are being planned.

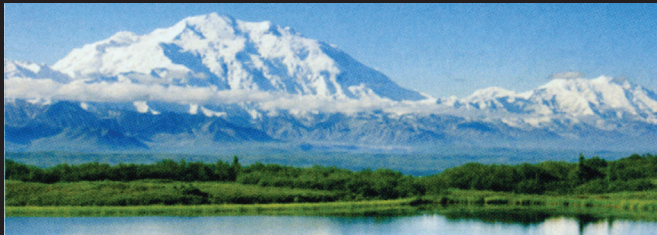
Each candidate that you sponsor as a first line signer and who joins the Valley of Allentown in the calendar year 2012 or 2013 will result in you becoming eligible for two membership incentive programs.



Membership incentive runs from Jan. 1, 2012 - Dec. 31, 2013

Valley Incentive

The Scottish Rite member with the greatest number of first line signer credits at the end of the two year period reflecting all new candidates who completed the 32° within the two year period in every Valley will receive a **\$500 gift card**. The Scottish Rite member with the second greatest first line signer credits for those completing the 32° for the same period will receive a **\$100 gift card**.



Jurisdiction-wide Incentive

For all Valley members who are 1st line signers for the two year period. This incentive encourages every Scottish Rite Member to find a candidate to sponsor. All first line signers for new initiates completing the 32° during the two year period are eligible for a single

random drawing with a first prize being a Holland America **14-day land/cruise tour to Alaska** for two, a \$7,500 value. Second prize is **\$2,500** and third prize is **\$500**.

There will be a special Anniversary edition of *The Messenger* produced for the 2013 Spring issue and a committee is diligently working on a special Spring 2013 Reunion celebrating 200 years as a fraternity.

For new initiates, there will be a special 200th Anniversary pocket jewel to be given to candidates receiving the 32° in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction during the incentive period.

Already a member? Extra pocket jewels are available to any member at a cost of \$25 each. Order yours at: ScottishRiteNMJ.org.

Membership incentive winners will be notified in February 2014 and published in *The Messenger*.



NEW CONSTITUTIONS PROPOSED FOR THE SUPREME COUNCIL

by C. DeForrest Trexler, 33°



At the recent Annual Meeting of the Supreme Council, held at Cleveland, Ohio, a new revision of the Supreme Council Constitutions, called the "2013 Constitutions of the Supreme Council" was proposed for adoption next year. The occasion, of course, will be the 200th anniversary of the constitution of the Supreme Council for the Northern Jurisdiction, USA.

By tradition, the fundamental rules governing the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry may be traced to Europe with the Secret Constitutions of 1761 and the Grand Constitutions of 1786. For practical purposes, however, the Constitutions adopted at the Union of 1867 are considered to be the founding document of the present Supreme Council for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction (NMJ). These Constitutions have been revised eight times over the years, most recently in 1992, the latter being the current basic law of the NMJ. The 1992 Constitutions, as their predecessors, have been amended frequently since their adoption.

The revision will include numerous changes from the current Constitutions, although most will be of a stylistic or conforming nature, rather than changes of substance. The latter changes, although relatively few in number, will have significant effects.

GENERAL SESSION AND 33° DEGREE CONFERRAL EVERY OTHER YEAR

Commencing after 2013, there will be a General Session of the Supreme Council Annual Meeting and a Conferral of the 33° only every second year. This means that Honorary Members will be invited to attend the Annual Meeting only every other year and nominations

for the 33° will be made every other year, rather than annually. The Active Membership of the Supreme Council will continue to meet annually. Escalating costs are the primary reason for this change. However, it also will conform to the practice long followed by the Supreme Council for the Southern Jurisdiction.

In conjunction with this change, the triennial election of Supreme Council officers will be altered to a biennial election after 2017. The term limit on the service of state Deputies, currently nine years, will be modified to conform to the biennial election.

The limit on the service of the Sovereign Grand Commander, presently set at three 3-year terms, will be extended to five 2-year terms, commencing in 2017.

CANDIDATE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

The so-called "book-end" concept will be codified, requiring candidates for the 32° to receive the 4°, a minimum of three other degrees, at the discretion of the Valley, each of which exemplifies a Core Value of the Scottish Rite, and the 32°, all in full form and in that sequence.

The Meritorious Service Award will be limited to a maximum of two recipients per Valley each year.

Expense allowances for Active Emeriti Members will be phased out over time.

Liberalization of the amendment process will facilitate action on amendments to the Constitutions at the same Annual Meeting in which they are proposed.



VALLEY CHOIR HITS A HOME RUN

Our Annual Baseball Outing at Coca Cola Field in Allentown! It was quite special this year, with Illustrious Harry J. Beers, 33°, Past C-I-C, throwing out the ceremonial first pitch, and our Valley Choir

singing the National Anthem. I must tip my hat to our Choir Director, Ken Schneider, who did an outstanding job pulling together 19 men, some already members of our choir, and some choir wannabes (myself included) into a

group that did themselves proud on the field, with only one hour of practice. Please, let me share something that says it all. I went to a concession stand to get myself a cold beverage. When I paid for

it, the young lady looked at my T-shirt (we had special ones made for those who sang) and asked, if I had sung the National Anthem that night. I replied that I had and she said, "you guys were really good". In all,

we had our largest baseball group outing ever – 114 Valley members and their friends and family who enjoyed a great evening. Every year we have this kind of activity and more, so I invite you to join in the activities of the Valley, and



see what you have been missing. See you at our Fall Reunion. It could be your chance to experience some fun and fellowship.

Douglas E. Robinson, 33°, Past C-I-C



After our choir's rendition of the National Anthem during "Scottish Rite Masons" night at the Iron Pigs, the "Valley of Allentown" choir is ready to climb back into our balcony to again offer our vocal addition to the Fall Reunion on October 27. Why not join us? This is a one-day reunion with a smaller responsibility for our choir. There will be one rehearsal on Tuesday, October 23 at 7:30 on the balcony. If you've wondered what singing in our choir would be like THIS is the opportunity for you! Call Ken Schneider (610) 845-0708 or the Valley of Allentown office (610) 433-3232. Our seasoned veterans would love to have you join our ranks!!

Ken Schneider, Music Director - Valley of Allentown

Two from Valley of Allentown Receive Meritorious Service Award

The Pennsylvania Council of Deliberation's Annual Meeting was held on July 13th and 14th, 2012 at the Hershey Convention Center in Hershey, Pennsylvania. The General Meeting of the Council convened at 1:00 P.M. on the 14th, the Deputy for Pennsylvania, Illustrious Russell W. Baker, 33°, presiding. The Right Worshipful Grand Master, Illustrious Jay W. Smith, 33°, was the honored guest and addressed the brethren and ladies during the evening banquet. The M.S.A. awards were presented to the recipients during the banquet ceremony including, from the Valley of Allentown, Brother Johnathan R. Tobias, 32°, and Brother Leroy E. Leibenguth, 32°. After making the presentation of this year's M.S.A. Awards, the Deputy announced the names of next year's recipients which included, from the Valley of Allentown, Brother Glenn J. Hacker, 32°, a long time member of our choir, and Brother Wilbur H. Gildner, 32° who has served for many years at our Reunions as a Tyler. Following the evening ceremony, the brethren, guests and ladies, joined in fellowship at the various Valley hospitality suites.



FOUR WERE NOMINATED TO RECEIVE THE 33°...

Four brethren from the Valley of Allentown were nominated to receive the 33° next year in Washington, D.C. Congratulations to these worthy brethren:

David M. Howells, Jr.
Dwight D. Kondravy
Aaron R. White
George W. Young

VALLEY OF ALLENTOWN PICNIC 2012



AS YOU CAN SEE, A GREAT TIME WAS HAD BY ALL! THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO MADE THIS YEAR'S PICNIC ANOTHER OVERWHELMING SUCCESS!

SPECIAL THANKS TO DNC CATERING, EMMANUS BOROUGH, THE VALLEY OF ALLENTOWN OFFICERS, AND THE PICNIC COMMITTEE.

Children's Dyslexia Center of Allentown

Join the TEAM

Walk for Dyslexia and Afterwards
Enjoy a Sundae Sunday!



You will give the gift of reading to a child with dyslexia in the Lehigh Valley through your financial support.



When: Sunday, October 14, 2012

Where: Children's Dyslexia Center of Allentown
1544 Hamilton St., Allentown, PA

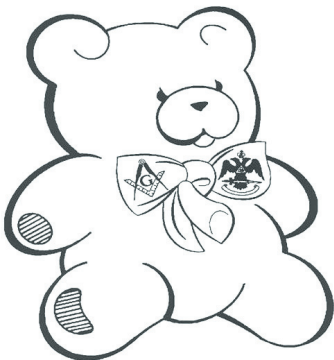
Course: 5K or 3.1 miles

Time: 1:00 p.m. Walk Registration
1:30 p.m. Walk Begins
2:30 p.m. Ice Cream Sundae Social
For more information please call or email: George Young
610-837-5177 or young.g@rcn.com

Sponsor Opportunities

- The Cover Story - \$5,000
(Entitles you to be a Child Sponsor)
- The Inside Cover - \$2,500
- The Story - \$1,000
- The End - \$500
- ABC Friend - \$250

CHILDREN'S DYSLEXIA CENTER OF ALLENTOWN 2nd ANNUAL MUSICAL CONCERT



FEATURING:
CONCERT BAND AND STRING BAND
OCTOBER 28, 2012 • 3:00 - 5:00 PM
SCOTTISH RITE CATHEDRAL AUDITORIUM
1533 HAMILTON ST., ALLENTOWN, PA 18102
610-433-3232

----- COUPON - TICKETS -----

TICKET PRICE: \$10.00

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE: LEHIGH CONSISTORY

No. of Tickets: _____ Total Cost: _____

**PLEASE JOIN US
FOR A
GREAT AFTERNOON
OF ENTERTAINMENT**

Fifth Annual Saturday with Santa & Mrs. Claus

December 8th, 9:00 am to 12:00 noon

The Fifth Annual Saturday with Santa will be held on December 8th at 9:00 am in the Moulson Room of the Scottish Rite Cathedral.

Members are encouraged to bring their young loved ones for a fun-filled morning featuring a variety of Christmas crafts, magic tricks for your entertainment, and a visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus.

Breakfast and light refreshments will be available throughout the event.

Brother Robert T. Hahn, M.S.A., as in past years, will be taking complimentary pictures of the children with Santa and Mrs. Claus. Additional copies of

photos will be available for purchase.

The Officers, Past Most Wise Masters of Bethlehem Chapter, Rose Croix along with their wives, truly enjoy organizing and attending this event.

Our Christmas party with Santa and Mrs. Claus gets better every year. Don't miss out on a good time.

We look forward to sharing the holiday spirit with you and your family.

Please use the form below to make a reservation. There is only capacity for 75 children, so please reserve early to avoid disappointment.



Fraternally yours,
Gerard F. Palagonia, 32°
Most Wise Master

Saturday with Santa Booking Form

Your Name

Phone No.

Children's Names

Please mail your completed form to Valley of Allentown, 1533 West Hamilton Street, Allentown, PA 18102 by Friday, November 30th.

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James Edward Conner

Harrison Thomas Stoudt

Harold Harrison Gordon

Ervin Ehresmann

Joseph Charles Marshall

Richard Blaine Goodman

Joseph Edward Denion

Dennis Kurt Szabo

Fred Morris Derby

Robert Reed Fast

Timothy Jack Eisner

Charles Lamar Rush

William Leroy Teel Jr.

Keith Alan Lain

Robert Carl Schenkel

Robert Charles Swartz

Robert Paul Hank

Clayton Osville Gilbert

George Byron Hackett

John Carl Schauers

Larry Lee Delabar

Leroy Conrad Cyphers

Howard Eugene Vaughan

George Franklin Gehman

Berlin Franklin Miller

James Leroy Haines Sr.