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Ill. Paul J. Lenz PCIC Class



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John Nebelsiek 32°, Scott Carstens 32°, Robert Haavind 32° Class Orator, Paul J. Lenz 33° PCIC for whom the class is named, Cory Lemons 32° Class President, Gerald McDonald 32° Class VP, Troy Peters 32°, Jacob Schultz 32°, David Vogel 32° Class VP

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Sterling Standiford 33° PCIC, Todd Wohler 33°, Terry Loper 32° MSA, Andrew Cowling 32°, James Carlson 32°, Randy Ellifson 33° Commander in Chief, John Eldred 32°, Kevin Sorenson 32°, David Larson 32°, James Trowbridge 33° Valley Secretary, Kenneth Pelo 33° PCIC

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Welcome To The Spring Ill. Paul J. Lenz, 33° PCIC Class

The Candidates from all over the Valley of Eau Claire came together on their Masonic Journey over two Saturdays to be part of the Spring Reunion. The class' diverse backgrounds are evident in that many of the new 32° Masons are eager to take up the work expressing interest in being in casts, crews and assisting in reunion hospitality. Their interests will be highlighted in the next issue

During the course of the two Saturday Reunion, over 200 Brothers, wives and friends came together to participate in or witness the degree presentations, or partake of the Reunion hospitality.

In his remarks to the class, Ill. Paul J. Lenz, 33° explained that he is "cipherlexic" in that it is nearly impossible for him to read the Blue Lodge cipher and had it not been for the early opportunity to participate provided by the Scottish Rite he would have likely faded away from Masonry very early on. He encouraged class members to find their own path to participation be it Blue Lodge, Scottish Rite, York Rite or Shrine – but find a place or places to be a part of this great family of fraternities.



Commander In Chief's Corner



Seasons Change But Brotherhood Is Universal

With the cold Wisconsin winter behind us and summer in full swing, most of us go from not having a lot to do, to having almost too much to do!

From home projects, vacations, gardening and a hundred other items we seem to keep ourselves

pretty busy. On the other hand, our Masonic life does quiet down a little bit. With lodges going dark and not a whole lot going on with the Scottish Rite, we get to tend to matters in our personal lives a little more.

With this little bit of quiet time, let's not forget who we are and what we stand for in our Masonic lives. Let's always remember to conduct ourselves as a Mason and Scottish Rite Mason should. You never know when you might run into a brother somewhere.

A few years ago, while on a trip to Mexico, we were sitting at a bar in our resort late in the afternoon enjoying a pre-dinner cocktail with the warm breeze blowing in off the Caribbean. A couple came and sat beside us to have a drink and some conversation. They seemed very excited about their vacation. After a bit the gentleman looked over in my direction and noticed that I was wearing a Masonic ring. Though his English was as poor as my Spanish, he said that he too was a Mason. His wife's English was fairly good, so we were able to carry on a conversation and visited for a long time.

I learned that the couple was from Bogota, Columbia, and that he was a captain on the police force in Bogota. They would make a trip to Mexico every year because they not only loved Mexico, it was a time when he could, as he put it, "sleep with both eyes closed". There was a lot of unrest in Columbia at the time. We had such a good visit with them that afternoon that my wife and I were invited to be their guests in Bogota whenever we wanted.

So you see, you never know when or where you will meet another brother, or where they may be from and what kind of adventure that could lead to. We always want to conduct ourselves in a way that we can be proud of, and that will make our brothers want to approach us and be proud of us too!

Enjoy your summer, and I'll see you in October.

Fraternally,

Randy Ellifson, 33°

Commander in Chief

Abbott Scholarships Awarded

Four Abbott Scholarships were awarded by the Supreme Council of Scottish Rite of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction for the Valley of Eau Claire in the amount of \$1000 each. These are awarded to applicants who are children of Scottish Rite Masons.



Br. Jim Carlson with recipient Emily Kittel



Br. Dave Jacobson with recipient Mallory Custer



Br. Bill Swannack, Tom Oakland & Mr. & Mrs. Jon Oakland



Br. Jim Trowbridge with recipient Frances Jordahl

Fall Reunion Schedule

Saturday – October 4, 2014

7:30 AM	Coffee & Donuts.....	Large Dining Room
8:00 AM	Class Registration.....	Office
9:00 AM	Ceremonial Opening All Bodies.....	Classroom
9:45 AM	4th Degree: Master Traveler	Auditorium
10:15 AM	Communicate 5 th , 6 th , 7 th , and 8 th Degrees.....	Classroom
10:45 AM	13th Degree: Master of the Ninth Arch	Lg Lodge Room
11:30 AM	Communicate 9 th and 10 th Degrees.....	Classroom
11:45 PM	Lunch.....	Small Dining Room
12:45 PM	Communicate 11 th and 12 th Degrees.....	Classroom
1:00 PM	14th Degree: Grand Elect Mason	Auditorium
2:00 PM	Communicate 16 th , 17 th , and 18 th Degrees.....	Classroom
2:30 PM	15th Degree: Knight of the East	Auditorium
3:05 PM	Reception.....	Small Dining Room

Saturday – October 25, 2014

8:00 AM	Coffee & Donuts.....	Large Dining Room
8:15 AM	Class Assembly.....	Classroom
8:30 AM	Presentation by Director of the Work & Active.....	Classroom
9:30 AM	25th Degree: Master of Achievement	Auditorium
10:05 AM	Communicate 19 th , 20 th , 21 st , and 22 nd Degrees.....	Classroom
10:30 AM	Class Picture.....	Large Lodge Room
11:00 AM	28th Degree: Master of Achievement	Auditorium
11:45 PM	Lunch.....	Small Dining Room
12:45 PM	Communicate 23 rd , 24 th , and 26 th Degrees.....	Classroom
1:00 PM	31st Degree: Knight Aspirant	Auditorium
1:50 PM	Communicate 27 th , 29 th , and 30 th Degrees.....	Classroom
2:00 PM	32nd Degree: Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret	Auditorium
2:40 PM	Break	
3:15 PM	Installation of Officers.....	Auditorium
4:00 PM	Reception.....	Small Dining Room
5:30 PM	Banquet.....	Large Dining Room

Office Volunteer Help Needed

Mick Lovvik, 32°, organizes volunteers to answer phones and make birthday calls one day per month. Please call Mick at 715-834-1877 to volunteer. You will be glad you did!

A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Brian Trowbridge To Be New Editor

I have been the Reporter Editor since 2007. This will be my last issue of the Reporter. I thank everyone who has provided me with information and photos over the years. It is time for this editor to hand over the Scottish Rite Reporter to someone younger with more energy and fresh new ideas. Our fraternity only remains strong when someone who has held a position for a long time gets out of the way for the next generation. The Valley's new Editor of the Scottish Rite Reporter is Brian Trowbridge. Let us all wish him well in this new endeavor. **Paul Lenz, Past Editor**

Save The Date

The Wisconsin Council of Deliberation Will Be In Madison On November 8, 2014

Valley Of Eau Claire Schedule

September – 2014

Note Due To Golf Outing The
September Meeting Is The 2nd Monday
on Sept. 8th

- 8 Regular Meeting 7 p.m.
Election Of Officers
- 15 Dyslexia Golf Outing

October – 2014

- 4 Fall Reunion-Eau Claire
- 17 Stepping Up For Dyslexia
- 20 Regular Meeting 7 p.m.
- 25 Fall Reunion-Eau Claire
Installation of Officers
Fall Dinner Banquet

November – 2014

- 8 WI Council Of Deliberation-Madison
- 17 Regular Meeting 7 p.m.

December – 2014

- 16 Regular Meeting 7 p.m.
- 31 Silver Moon New Year's Eve Ball
Benefit For Dyslexia Center

January – 2014

- 10 General Valley Meeting
Officer Orientation
Officer's & Ladies Party

February – 2014

- 16 Regular Meeting 7 p.m.

March – 2014

- 16 Regular Meeting 7 p.m.

April – 2014

- 11 Spring Reunion
- 20 Regular Meeting 7 p.m.
- 25 Spring Reunion & Ladies Program

From Our Files

50 Years Ago: June 1964: Past CIC, Ill. Herbert Grewe, 33° elected Consistory Trustee.

40 Years Ago: August-Sept. 1974: Ill. Dale O. Babbitt, 33°, Commander In Chief announces in his first CIC Corner article that the Valley membership is at 3200..

30 Years Ago: September 1984. Valley Secretary Ralph T. Hauert dies in office.

20 Years Ago: July 1994: Fall Class Named for Ill. Douglas Smith, 33°

10 Years Ago: September 2004: Ill. Rick Schnabel, 33°, CIC, indicates in his column that the four important words in his life are to smile, relax and have fun!

ABOUT ASSESSMENTS WITH THE DUES NOTICE

Please pay the \$27.50 assessment listed in your dues notice. This is not for the Valley. It is the assessment for your membership due the Supreme Council in Lexington!



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SPOTLIGHT ON THE VALLEY OF EAU CLAIRE
Upper Wisconsin Teddy Bear Golf Outing & Banquet
To Benefit Children With Dyslexia
Monday, September 15, 2014



Come and Join In a fun-filled day on the links, 18-hole scramble, Mulligans galore! Enjoyment Guaranteed. Registration Deadline September 1st

Location: Wild Ridge Golf Course 3467 Kane Rd, Eau Claire

8:00 a.m. Registration, Bloody Mary Bar & Putting Contest
10:30 a.m. Golf \$90 per golfer (includes cart, golf, lunch, beverages and banquet)

4:15 p.m. Golf Ball Drop \$10/ticket – ½ the Pot

5:00 p.m. Banquet, Raffles & Silent Auction

Hole Sponsorship – Each Includes a 18"X24" Sign

Teddy Bear Tribute - \$100

Corner Stone - \$300

Perfect Ashler (includes one person golf entry) - \$500

Keystone or Corporate (includes 4 person golf entry) - \$1000

HOLE SPONSORSHIPS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE!

Registration Deadline: September 1, 2014

Send Registration Form To: Sterling Standiford, 1711 Badger Ave, Eau Claire, WI 54701, #715.577.5751 (standsr@sbcglobal.net)

Registration Form

Cash, Check, Major Credit Card Accepted	Quantity	Cost	Total
Golf: Shotgun Start @10:30 a.m.		\$90	
Banquet Only		\$35	
Golf Ball Drop ½ the Pot		\$10	
Hole Sponsorship			
Teddy Bear Tribute		\$100	
Corner Stone		\$300	
Perfect Ashler		\$500	
Keystone or Corporate		\$1000	
I am not able to attend, please accept my donation to help children with Dyslexia			
Name:		Exp	
Total Check or Card #			
Golfer Name	Phone #	Email address	