



Northern Masonic Jurisdiction
**SCOTTISH
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REPORTER

Valley of Eau Claire Spring 2021

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF'S CORNER

Hello Princes!!! Over the last 10 years I have always looked forward to gathering at our spring and fall reunions. The opportunity to see our Brothers, work with our Brothers and stressed with our Brothers trying to remember our lines for our degree work. We have been forced to avoid our reunions for the betterment of us all. As many of you are already aware the leadership team of the Valley of Eau Claire has cancelled the spring reunion.

This is unfortunate, but it is for the best as we would not be able to have a full experience reunion. My fondest memories of our reunions are putting on the degrees, our luncheons and most especially the banquet where we honor our newest Princes. These are special moments and the reason why we continue to attend reunions.

The bright side of our current situation is that we have several new candidates going through the virtual path. They have begun by watching the 4th degree and signing on The Thursday Night at the Rite nights getting exposure to the degrees put on by Supreme Council.

Our fall reunion will be a great event! We will be inviting all the virtual candidates who will be part of the fall class.

Please begin to think about the degrees you are part of, think about the degrees you are Directors for and connecting with your cast members. Once the degree list is finalized you will be notified and that would be a great time to connect by Zoom with your cast. Online degree practices would be a wonderful way to begin bringing your degree back to life.

I have always been actively involved in several degrees at our reunions for the last 10 years. It is difficult now as Commander-In-Chief not to continue our work, but soon, soon we will be back to work.

I hope all of you and your families are well. Remember, if there is anything I can do, or your Valley can do to assist, please don't hesitate to contact us.

My Hope is in God!!!



Kevin R Sorenson, CIC Valley of Eau Claire

2021 SPRING REUNION

It is with disappointment that we must announce the Cancellation of the 2021 Valley of Eau Claire Spring Reunion. Because of the State and Local Covid-19 restrictions, the Officers of the Valley felt it was in the best interest of the Fraternity that we will for-go the Spring Reunion and focus on a large and Festive Fall Reunion. The Fall Reunion is scheduled for October 2nd and October 23rd, 2021. We pledge to our membership that our Fall Reunion will be large, festive, and meaningful to our members.

Saturday, April 10, 2021

7:30 AM	Donuts and Coffee	Large Dining Room
8:00 AM	Class Registration	Office
9:00 AM	Ceremonial Opening - All Bodies	Class Room
9:30 AM	4th Degree: Builder	Upstairs Lounge
10:00 AM	Discussion of the 4th Degree - Open to all Brethren	Upstairs Lounge
10:30 AM	20th Degree: Master of the Temple	Auditorium
11:30 AM	Discussion of the 20th Degree - Open to all Brethren	Upstairs Lounge
11:45 AM	Lunch	Small Dining Room
12:45 PM	19th Degree: Brothers of the Trail	Auditorium
1:30 PM	Discussion of the 19th Degree - Open to all Brethren	Upstairs Lounge
2:00 PM	5th Degree: Perfect Master	Auditorium
2:30 PM	Discussion of the 5th Degree - Open to all Brethren	Upstairs Lounge
3:00 PM	18th Degree: Knight of the Rose Croix	Auditorium
3:45 PM	Discussion of the 18th Degree - Open to all Brethren	Upstairs Lounge
4:00 PM	Reception	Small Dining Room

Saturday, May 8, 2021

7:30 AM	Donuts and Coffee	Large Dining Room
8:15 AM	Class Assembly	Class Room
8:30 AM	23rd Degree: Knight of Valor	Auditorium
9:30 AM	Discussion of the 23rd Degree - Open to all Brethren	Class Room
10:00 AM	Class Picture	Auditorium
10:30 AM	13th Degree: Master of the Ninth Arch	Auditorium
11:00 AM	Discussion of the 13th Degree - Open to all Brethren	Class Room
11:15 AM	Lunch	Small Dining Room
12:15 PM	14th Degree: Grand Elect Mason	Auditorium
1:15 PM	Discussion of the 14th Degree - Open to all Brethren	Class Room
1:30 PM	Presentation by the Director of the Work	Class Room
2:00 PM	25th Degree: Master of Achievement	Auditorium
2:30 PM	Discussion of the 25th Degree - Open to all Brethren	Class Room
3:00 PM	32nd Degree: Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret	Auditorium
4:15 PM	Discussion of the 32nd Degree - Open to all Brethren	Class Room
4:30 PM	Reception	Small Dining Room
5:30 PM	Banquet	Large Dining Room

LEON M. ABBOTT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



Named after Leon M. Abbott, Sovereign Grand Commander from 1921 to 1932, the Abbott Scholarship Program provides financial support for the continuing undergraduate and graduate education of Scottish Rite Masons, young men and women from Scottish Rite families, and Masonic-related youth groups.

Eligibility: Those meeting any of the following criteria are eligible to apply for the 2021 Abbott Scholarship program for undergraduate studies:

- A Scottish Rite Mason of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction
- A student directly related (bloodline or by legal means) to a current or deceased Scottish Rite Mason in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction
- A member of a Masonic sponsored youth group within the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction
- A high school senior, currently accepted at an accredited trade school who has attained a minimum grade point average of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale
- A high school senior, or undergraduate, or graduate student currently enrolled at an accredited college or university
- Applications should be submitted to the Valley of the sponsoring Scottish Rite Mason

Go to: <https://scottishritenmj.org/abbott> and you have arrived at the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction website. You will see the Abbott Scholarship information and requirements. At the bottom of information click Forms to Download the application.

Applications can also be obtained at the Valley of Eau Claire's Scottish Rite Office, or an application can be sent to you electronically if you contact the Valley's Secretary via email.

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE VALLEY OF EAU CLAIRE'S SECRETARY BY MAY 1, 2021.

PICTURES OR ARTICLES FOR THE REPORTER

If you have any Scottish Rite related pictures or articles that you would like to have included in future Scottish Rite Reporters, please send that information to:

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If you send pictures, please include captions with them.

VALLEY OF EAU CLAIRE OFFICERS (2020 – 2021)



Lodge of Perfection

Thrice Potent Master
Deputy Master
Senior Warden
Junior Warden
Orator
Master of Ceremonies
Hospitaler
Captain of the Guard

Nicholas L. Koerner
Brian J. Dunham
Dustin Larson
Justin J. Konwinski
Glen D. Taylor
Donald R. Miller
John C. Accola
James W. Trowbridge



Princes of Jerusalem

Sovereign Prince
High Priest
Senior Warden
Junior Warden
Master of Ceremonies
Hospitaler
Master of Entrances

Tim Cree
Benjamin L. Cornell
Mark W. Klein
Christopher Cree
Joshua T. Sudbrink
Gerald L. Berg
Wayne A. Franson



Chapter of Rose Croix

Most Wise Master
Senior Warden
Junior Warden
Orator
Master of Ceremonies
Hospitaler
Captain of the Guard

Kevin J. Schumann
Ryan R. Wojciechowski
David Zuke
Alben J. Kramer
Lars A. Framness
Stephen J. Britton
Barry E. Diehl



Consistory

Commander in Chief
1st Lt. Commander
2nd Lt. Commander
Orator
Chancellor
Master of Ceremonies
Hospitaler
Engineer & Seneschal

Kevin R. Sorenson
Joseph O. Barlow
Michael A. Abernathy
David D. Larson
Danny L. Bourassa
Jacob W. Seever
David A. Imlah Jr.
Paul R. Lokken

Valley Officers – All Bodies

Treasurer
Secretary
Tiler
Trustee
Trustee
Trustee
Deputy for Wisconsin
Director of Development & Active for WI
Directors of the Work

Steven L. Lasure
Lyle N. Koerner Jr.
Paul H. Gilbertson
Dean F. Swett
Allen W. Mazuk
Don G. Olds
Jeffery L. Bryden
L Arby Humphrey
Rick L. Schnabel and Joseph O. Barlow

A NOTE FROM THE “DIRECTORS OF THE WORK”



We want to thank all of the Eau Claire Valley degree directors and cast members for your continual efforts and support of the craft. We extend our appreciation to all of you who remained in contact with us and were flexible throughout the COVID timeframe as schedules were constantly fluid, as we asked a lot from you, and then cancelled the Reunions over and over and over again - for the past three Reunions - after you had agreed to present your degree at one of those Reunions. We tip our hats to all of you!

We are still looking for Brothers who may be interested in becoming a Degree Director. The Valley of Eau Claire currently has 7 degrees that are not assigned to a director. If you would be interested in being a Degree Director, please contact the Directors of the Work. We are willing to train you and assist you along the way. In fact, we have been discussing a “director’s program” or workshop for all directors. We do not have all of the details outlined yet, but we want you to be aware that this is in the works for the future.

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