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Calendar

- Lodge / Red Room**
- 04 Nov Heads of the Bodies**
- 06 Nov Council Feast/Open Event**
- 13 Nov 27°**
- Veterans Day / Blood Drive**
- 20 Nov 28°, 29°**
- MWB James Christensen, Grand Master**
- 27 Nov Dark Thanksgiving**
- 02 Dec Heads of the Bodies**
- 04 Dec 30°**
- Mural Lecture / Monte Miller**
- 11 Dec 31°**
- 18 Dec 32°**
- 06 Jan Heads of the Bodies**
- 08 Jan 4°, 5°, 6°**
- 15 Jan 7°, 8°, 9°**
- 17 Jan One Day to Masonry**
- 22 Jan 10°, 11°**
- Candidate Intro / Monte Miller**
- 29 Jan 12°, 13°**
- Minneapolis Valley / David Kampf**

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Minneapolis Valley Scottish Rite

Elevator Speech

The Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Minnesota wrote about Elevator Speech in relation to Masonry. An Elevator speech is a euphemism for a 30 to 60 second talk to someone who asks a question about a subject about of which you are knowledgeable. It could be something like "Hey, I notice you are wearing a Masonic Ring, what is the deal with that"? Your answer is to give him some meaningful information about Masonry, and if you feel he would benefit from and be a benefit to Masonry, to encourage him to seek further knowledge, hopefully with your assistance.

No one Elevator speech works for everyone; it must be in your words and be appropriate for that given person, at that place and at that time. In those 30 to 60 seconds you have the opportunity to change a man's life for the better. We have all probably been in that position, but have we thoughtfully considered what the right words are?

We are proposing a little contest; the payment will be the usual Scottish Rite compensation of a thank you and a pat on the back. For the best entry, we will also include a well done and a guaranteed first row seat to all Red Room Presentations for the rest of 2014.

To the question, "What is Scottish Rite Freemasonry about and why should I become interested in being involved". Send u your 30-60 second Elevator speech explaining Scottish Rite and explaining to him why it would be the right thing for him to explore.

Send all e-mails to office@scottish-rite-mpls.org. It will be beneficial to the Valley and beneficial to you to undergo this little exercise, and who knows; maybe beneficial to someone you have yet to meet who someday could be your Brother.

Ed Perlman, 33°



From the Desk of the Editor

Brethren of the Valley your articles for our publication are truly welcome and I wish to thank all of those who have submitted their articles. This publication is for your edification and to help each and every one of you stay up to date with what has happened and what is going to happen in your Valley. If you have something on your mind that you would like to see in our next copy of the sun please feel free to submit it for consideration.

David Shaffer 32° Editor

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DeMolay Legion of Honor

Gopher Preceptory of the DeMolay Legion of Honor will hold an Investiture on Sunday, November 9, 2014 at the Minneapolis Scottish Rite. The four designees scheduled to receive this honor are – Ralph Johansen, David Kampf, Carl Lidstrom and Jay Weinblatt. The presiding officer for the Investiture will be the SGIG, Jerry Oliver.

This event is open to anyone who wishes to attend. It will begin at 4:00 PM. A dinner will follow the ceremony. Reservations for the dinner are required. Please contact Michael Powles, Secretary/Treasurer of Gopher Preceptory, by November 5, 2014 for meal reservations. Michael may be reached at 763-208-0998 or mcpowles@comcast.net.

E-News

Do you receive the Scottish Rite E-News? If you would like to, please send an e-mail to minneapolisscottishritenews@gmail.com to request your subscription. Mark Anderson, 33° E-News update editor



Minneapolis Valley Scottish Rite

The Library Committee

We are continually receiving books and artifacts for our collection and would like to highlight one of our recent donations. An anonymous Brother donated close to 100 books recently, which included many newer books and many older archival materials. Amongst these are several Masonic Music manuals going back to the 1800's. The scope of the donation will help in research and preserving our history. We wish to thank all who have donated, and look forward to your donation too.



Peter Tomlinson 32° K.: C.: C.: H.:



Knights of Saint Andrew

Brethren of the Valley the Knights of Saint Andrew have been busy over the past couple of months helping with various projects around our Valley. By the time you will have read this we have had a Red Room Initiation of new Knights. It was well attended and well received. The new pocket badges and lapel pins will be available shortly. For those of you that have ordered the Knights of Saint Andrew Patents they are now available and orders may be placed for them. As Excellent Master I thank all of you for what you have done.

David C. Shaffer, 32°

Excellent Master



Chapter of the Rose Croix

Hello Knights and greetings to all the members of the Fall 2014 class from the Officers of the Minneapolis Chapter of the Rose Croix. I hope that you enjoyed the Degree of Knight Rose Croix as much as we did in conferring it for you. A special thanks goes out to our degree director, Terry Armstrong, 33°, for all that he does for us. I would like to invite you all to the Renewal and Remembrance Dinner that will be held on Saturday, March 14th, 2015. At this event, we welcome the Spring season and remember our departed brothers that have joined the celestial lodge above. We also invite their Spouses and family for a special dinner in honor of their loved ones. We will be presenting the 18th degree certificates and label pins to the members of the Fall 2014 and Spring 2015 classes. Please mark your calendars for this event. There will be some changes to the dinner that you will not want to miss. Until then, we will see you at the Rite

Jacob A. Geer, 32° K.: C.: C.: H.:

Wise Master



Ritual Corner

The degrees of the Fall class are proceeding with some excellent degree work by the Directors, Cast, and other Committees. I am always impressed by the hard work and dedication of our Scottish Rite Brethren, and urge you to come and watch the degrees with the candidates. The Lodge of Perfection and Rose Croix degrees have presented their lessons to our new Scottish Rite Brothers. Let us examine the Degree of the Year from last year, the 16th degree, Prince of Jerusalem. This degree tells a story of the people of Israel who have returned from captivity in Babylon, and are trying to rebuild the Temple of Solomon. The lesson of this degree is to remind us to build our inner temples in our heart by following Masonic truths. Two of these truths that are also duties of a Prince of Jerusalem are justice and equity. Albert Pike states, "The Princes of Jerusalem no longer sit as magistrates to judge between the people...Justice and Equity are still their characteristics. To reconcile disputes and heal dissensions, to restore amity and peace, to soothe dislikes and soften prejudices, are their peculiar duties; and they know that the peacemakers are blessed." (Morals & Dogma, p. 241) Join us to learn these and more lessons from the degrees. See you at the Rite.

Lee E. Kielblock, 32°, K.: C.: C.: H.:

Ritual Director, Minneapolis Valley





Rite Care Gala

From the Personal Representative

Masonry's Big Tents

A few years ago we started hearing about our Big Tent in Masonry when our Masonic leaders were talking about Membership. On November 15th, our Scottish Rite will again host a Big Tent Membership event, welcoming good men to Masonry and Masons to the Shrine. The Big Tent Masonic groups coming together in one gathering, encouraging men to join our Fraternity, explore their interests and meet new friends in all that Masonry has to offer.

Under our Big Tent of Scottish Rite Masonry in Minneapolis, we are blessed to have so many opportunities for Brethren to discover their passions, utilize their skills and get involved. Properties, lighting, wardrobe and sound committees that are supporting our ritual. Service to our Brethren in the dining room, our choir and candidate education team and many other committees.

And of course we have our ritual that we are so very proud of. Because so very few of the needs in our committees require that any single Brother be here every Thursday, it's easy get involved on your schedule. We aren't as much interested in your profession. We want you to find your passion.

What part of Scottish Rite Masonry can feed your passion?

Ask a Brother. Get involved.
Enjoy your Scottish Rite.

So May We Ever...

**David N. Kampf, 33°
Personal Representative**



Over 160 Masons, families and friends joined together in a show of support for Rite Care of Minneapolis-St. Paul on Friday October 3rd at our first annual fundraising Gala. The event at our Scottish Rite Valley helped raise funds to support our efforts to give a voice to children who have no voice of their own.

The evening was highlighted by a Tex-Mex BBQ prepared by our Chef Doley Daigle of Southern Style Catering and his family, a Rock and Roll Review hosted by Barry Zevan, the Weatherman and featuring Jim Stanley as Buddy Holly backed by Ben Manning and the Rite Care Crickets and a great silent auction. We don't have the figures back yet, but we are assured of having funds to take a fair number of children off the waiting list and into treatment.

The most important eight minutes of the evening was the unveiling of the new Rite Care Video featuring Charley Trombley and his journey through therapy. A path that took him from a lonely, bitter and friendless boy to a happy normal child facing a great future, thanks in great part to the effort of devoted parents, wonderful clinicians and the funding of our Rite Care. No one watching will ever forget the impact of this video.

Greg Vokovan, 33°



Sorry I requested photos of the Gala, but this is the only photo that was sent in. It is a good one of a swan eating snow ball in a snow storm.

