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Minneapolis Valley Scottish Rite Temple, 2011 Dupont Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55405

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Big News

After many months of debate, legal assistance, architecture & engineering revision, and various other hurdles, we won our permit to install an elevator at the Scottish Rite Temple without any encumbrances or revisions to the parking lot properties. The costs, though significant, have resulted in a quality project.

Unfortunately, during those delays we were unwilling to campaign for financial support of this often started, never realized, project. We understood why many members' wanted to see if it was another false start – or really going to happen this time. The work did get started and is well on its way to completion; even though unknown conditions put us behind our projected schedule.

The Valley is pleased to report that our elevator assembly is in Shindler Co.'s Eagan warehouse. Now that the building is water-tight and the stairs and floor are being formed, the elevator car can be installed. Shindler has informed us that it will take about two weeks for installation. Once the elevator equipment is in, low (alarm) and high voltage electrical will be integrated and interior finishing completed.

One nice fact to report; the City building inspector just did a progress review. He said that the project is progressing as required, and then complemented us on work completed. We will be riding up and down this year, and look forward to the renewed fellowship of Brothers who have been unable to attend due to the stairs.

Now; here's the challenge. Procedural issues and unknown structural conditions inherent in updating a historic building didn't maintain/build momentum toward a fundraising kick-off day. With no formal drive, members seem reluctant to give their pledges. We've gone to the "inside" well about as much as we should, and now ask our members to take a look in the mirror and see if there is not a way to make another (or

maybe your first) contribution to this most important and useful addition to our fraternity.

Remember, all contributions are tax deductible 501(c) (3) and should be mailed to the Minneapolis Scottish Rite att. M. Wiley Smith 2011 Dupont Avenue South 55405. Checks should be made out to the Scottish Rite Building and Museum Foundation. Or, of course, the very best way to do this is to drop the contribution off at the office on your next visit while saying hello to your Brothers and friends.

Important **Parking lot Changes**

Please be aware that shortly after the completion of our elevator project, the entrance to our parking lot will change back to a previous flow pattern. It is expected that most members will come into the Temple building through the new parking lot entrance; which will take you to any floor you care to go. We will enter the lot along Hennepin Avenue, and exit only on Dupont Avenue. This "one way" parking flow should be safer for members and guests. Please see our Valley Secretary, Mark Campbell, if you do not have a parking pass.

James O. Burlingame
Valley Rep



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Must be the water!

Almost two years ago, the Dining Room committee celebrated the 100th birthday of their committee member Don Fanning. Don has managed to maintain a regular presence and weekly service to the valley.

Now there is another one! Bro. Earl Amundson 32° KCCH served on the Dining room committee of the Minneapolis Valley for 40 years. He only stopped when he could no longer drive. Bro Earl will be celebrating his 100th Birthday on November 23, 2012.

Bro Earl joined the Minneapolis Valley in February 1966. He almost immediately joined the Dining Room crew and his service was rewarded in October 1987 when he was invested with the rank and decoration of Knight Commander of the Court of Honor.

Congratulations Earl, our newest Centenarian! Quite an accomplishment!

Knight of St. Andrew

The KSA is a service oriented group of 32nd degree Scottish Rite Masons who support the activities and charities of the Minneapolis Valley. They will be seen in action on all occasions one the Valley has an event and meeting regularly on the third Tuesday of each month at 5:00pm for dinner and discussions of their plans for the coming month.

Master Craftsmen Club

Many Valley members are participating in the master craftsman education program, which is roundtable discussion under leadership of Bill Neher. Meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month. For materials and interest in joining contact Bill Neher at 612 – 760 – 3661.

From the Editor

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Rite for the trust placed in me to achieve the reintroduction of the Sun.

I would also like to thank those that sent an article to be published here. At this time and in the future we will need each and every one of the brother to think about placing an interesting piece.

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Calendar

Lodge

Red Room

November 01 25th-26th Degree

Veterans Day

November 06 Lodge Stated

General Election

November 08 Council Feast

November 15 27th Degree

Jobs Daughters

November 22 Thanksgiving

November 29 28th- 29th Degree

Shrine Hospital Representative (TBA)

December 04 Lodge Stated

December 06 30rd Degree

**Mural Lecture: (Candidates Room)
Monte Miller**

December 08 Joint Ceremonial and 3rd Degree

December 13 31st Degree

No Presentation

December 20 32st Degree

No Presentation

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