

# The Rite Light

ANCIENT ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY, N.M.J., U.S.A.  
VALLEY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK

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## Hooray to 1990!

**ANNUAL  
SPORTSMEN'S  
DINNER  
January 4**

**Bring a Prospective  
Scottish Riter with you.**



## Allegiance

The Bodies of the Scottish Rite sitting in the Valley of Albany, State of New York, acknowledge and yield Allegiance to the Supreme Council, 33° Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America whose Grand East is in Lexington, Massachusetts and whose Officers are:



III. Francis G. Paul, 33°  
Sovereign Grand Commander



III. Robert F. Case, 33°, Active  
Grand Secretary General

III. Robert B. Nienow, 33°  
Grand Lieutenant Commander

III. Carlton A. Winchester, 33°  
Deputy for New York

III. John W. McNaughton, 33°  
Grand Minister of State

III. Franklin G. Hinckley, 33°  
Grand Treasurer General

and whose other Active Members for the State of New York are

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III. Raymond C. Ellis, 33°

III. Ralph M. Tompkins, 33°

III. Alfred M. Kramer, 33°

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## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

### CASE SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED IN SCHENECTADY

The Valley of Schenectady has established a Scholarship Fund in the name of **Illustrious Robert Franklin Case, 33°** Active member of the Supreme Council and its **Grand Secretary General**.

Recognizing the paramount interest our Past Deputy has shown in Scottish Rite Scholarship assistance and in education in general, and following the suggestions of the Supreme Council to individual valleys to erect scholarships for the local area, the Scottish Rite Bodies in the Valley of Schenectady have set up this fund to honor Robert F. Case.

It is hoped that other Valleys will establish their own scholarship funds to supplement the Abbot Scholarship Awards each year.

### OUR DEPUTY, R. W. CARLTON A. WINCHESTER, 33° ACTIVE

On October 28, 1989, the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York announced that **Illustrious Carlton A. Winchester** was made a Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of West Virginia near the Grand Lodge of New York. This honor entitles him to be addressed now as the Right Worshipful Carlton A. Winchester.

## BULLETIN

*Money is like a New Year's resolution—easier made than kept.*

DHI TEAM EXPRESS, Northeast DHI Association, Ithaca, New York.

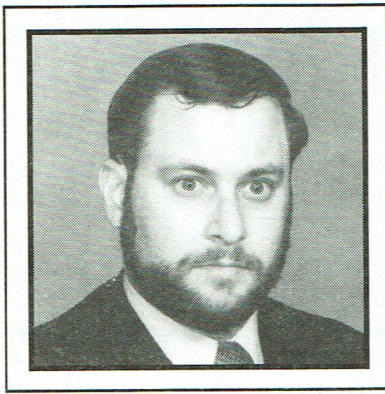


**The Scottish Rite Family Week Poster Contest is rapidly approaching a climax. The Posters are due to be displayed on the Concourse of Rockefeller Plaza January 16, 17, 18**

**and 19. The assistance of the art teacher at Hackett Junior High will help make this display most significant. Hopefully, we can enlist the help of one or more of our political dignitaries to make the public aware of the efforts of the Valley of Albany on behalf of the children.**

**Please make an effort to visit this display to demonstrate our interest in The Family. It is anticipated that this will become an annual event. We went from 14 posters to 57 posters this year so that shows we are gaining interest!**





## From The Sovereign Prince

The Princes of Jerusalem finally had their first meeting which was a great success. Eighty-five members and guests were present to listen to Bob Kovachick, meteorologist from TV Channel 13, who gave a most interesting and enlightening talk.

It gives a good impression when we invite an outsider to speak to one of our Masonic groups and we produce a large turnout. Ever try to run a program with only five or six people in attendance?

At our next communication in January, 1990, which is a closed meeting, we will have Aloysius Curran speaking about the Babylonian Captivity Era. This is the time period in history which the degrees for the Princes of Jerusalem cover (the 15th degree and 16th degree). It should be an interesting talk, after which we will have our usual refreshments at the Gateway Diner.

Don't forget about our Spring Reunion which will be held Saturday, April 21, 1990. There's still plenty of time to get your friends from Blue Lodge to join Scottish Rite. Don't wait until the last minute.

Also, we mustn't forget the food drive which Scottish Rite Masonry is promoting. Bring a few non-perishable items whenever you're at the temple; whether it's for a Scottish Rite meeting or some other reason. A collection box is located in the first floor lobby on your left, just after you've come up the stairs.

I would like to wish all the brethren; their families and friends a happy and healthy holiday season.

**Bruce Pavloff**  
Sovereign Prince

## DEGREE HELP NEEDED!

To all the Brothers who would like to take part in the spring Reunion on April 21, 1990.

Brethren who do not, at this time, have a part in the degree work for the Spring Reunion on April 21, 1990: Now is the time to call a Degree Director and ask for a part or a job on a degree team. We need brothers to be understudies for each character who will take part once every two years. Will you give that much time?

Now is the time for each of us who have speaking parts to check with the degree director, and make sure we know our parts.

On or before Feb. 1, 1990 the Degree Directors will be sending their cast of characters to Ill. Richard Barrell 33° to be printed in the March-April issue of the Rite Light.

The Degree Directors are as follows:

6° - Ill. Richard Welkley 33°  
Phone 518-235-3672

14° - Russell LaGrange MSA  
Phone 518-438-7128

16° - Lewis O. Slocum  
Phone 518-664-8314

17° - Harold Clark MSA  
Phone 518-784-5210

18° - Robert Parslow MSA  
Phone 518-237-5786

20° & 32° Ill. Richard Welkley 33°  
Phone 518-235-3672

Thank you brothers. If there is anything I can do to help any of you at any time, please let me know. Call 914-454-6585.

**Ill. Albert W. Mills 33°**  
Director of Degrees

## then and now ...

"I'm ashamed of you," the father said to his lazy son. "You don't even have a job. Why, when George Washington was your age he was working hard in the wilderness as a surveyor."

"Yes," said the boy, "and by the time he was your age, he was President of the United States."

NEWS AT NOON, Whirlpool Corp., Marion, Ohio.  
Brenda Gilliam, Editor.

## Congratulations! H. Joseph Heath To Receive the 33°



The Rite Light is pleased to announce that at its 177th Annual Meeting in Pittsburgh Pennsylvania, August 29th, the Supreme Council nominated and elected to receive Honorary Membership, H Joseph Heath, 32°. Conferral of the 33° will take place next September in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Brother Heath was born in Schenectady, New York on October 27, 1939 to Kathryn and Charles Heath.

Joe was educated in the Schenectady School system, graduating from Draper High School, and then later graduating from St. Lawrence University with a Bachelor of Science degree in chemistry in 1962.

He is married to the former Martha Joan Nuttall and they have two children, Daniel and Jamie.

The Heaths are communicants of the Presbyterian Church in Rouses Point. He has served as a Sunday School Teacher and Superintendent, and also an Elder.

Brother Heath's Masonic History began with him being raised in Champlain Lodge No 237 in Champlain, New York.

He served as Master of his lodge in 1973; District Deputy Grand Master—1978 to 1980; Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge—1982 to 1984; and is currently on the Board of Directors of the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory.

Brother Heath belongs to the Adirondack Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons, Cryrus Council of Cryptic Masons and is currently a member of the Valleys of Troy and Albany Scottish Rite Bodies.

We salute you, Brother Heath, on this milestone in your Masonic career. Best of luck and good health in the years ahead.



SCOTTISH RITE MASONS CARE-----SCOTTISH RITE MASONS CARE
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ATTENTION: ALL SCOTTISH RITE MASONS !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

\*\*\*\* NOW IS THE TIME TO STAND TALL & HELP YOUR FELLOW MAN

WE ARE NOW UNDERTAKING A CHARITY THAT IS DESIGNED TO HELP THOSE LESS FORTUNATE THAN OURSELVES & SHOW THAT SCOTTISH RITE MASONS DO CARE! TO RESTOCK THE SHELVES OF OUR REGIONAL FOOD BANK OF NORTHEASTERN NEW YORK, WE ARE ASKING THAT YOU DONATE AS LIBERALLY AS YOUR MEANS WILL ALLOW, FOR THIS MOST WORTHWHILE CAUSE. NOW, FOLLOWING THE WINTER HOLIDAYS & THE DEPLETION OF THE BANKS SUPPLIES, IS A MOST CRITICAL TIME!! GIVE YOURSELF A VERY WARM FEELING IN THE COLDEST OF TIMES. GIVE UNTIL YOU FEEL GENUINELY PROUD AS A SCOTTISH RITE MASON! GIVE UNTIL YOU FEEL GENUINELY PROUD TO STAND TALL AS A MAN! PLEASE GIVE UNTIL YOU FEEL GOOD!!!!

\*\*\*\* REMEMBER BROTHERS, THIS FOOD IS FOR LOCAL DISTRIBUTION, YOUR DONATION STAYS RIGHT HERE IN THE GREAT NORTHEAST. IT DOES NOT TRAVEL TO SOME FOREIGN LAND WITH A QUESTIONABLE DISTRIBUTION RATE. IT GOES TO YOUR FELLOW MAN RIGHT HERE!! \*\*\*\*\*

OUR COMMANDER IN CHIEF HAS MADE MADE ARRANGEMENTS THAT OUR DONATIONS WILL BE INCREASED BY 50% IN THE PURCHASING POWER OF THE FOODSTUFFS WHEN THE RESTOCKING TAKES PLACE. PLEASE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO STAND TALL & HELP THE LESS FORTUNATE RIGHT HERE AT HOME!!!

PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO                      A.A.S.R.  
MAIL TO:

FRED C. FREDRICKSON--CHAIRMAN  
P.O. BOX 325  
ALTAMONT, N.Y. 12009  
OR  
A.A.S.R.  
67 CORNING PLACE  
ALBANY, N.Y. 12207

\*\*\*\* BROTHERS, OUR GOAL IS HIGH ( \$ 7,500.00 ) BUT SO IS THE NEED! PLEASE SEND YOUR DONATIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE & AS LIBERALLY AS YOUR HEART ALLOWS. GIVE UNTIL YOU FEEL GOOD!!!!\*\*\*\*\*

### **National Clean-Off-Your Desk Day: January 15, 1990**

Start your new year with a clean slate—er, clean desk. Slip in early this third Monday of the month (or plan to dedicate your lunch hour) to getting the cobwebs out of your drawers and the clutter out of your elbowroom. Upgrade your work space and your work spirit with just a few minutes attention at this crucial starting point of the year.

### **National Handwriting Day: January 23, 1990**

John Hancock gave the inspiration for this day when he signed the Declaration of Independence with a signature of distinction—bold, proud, beautiful, and unforgettable. It is a complete statement about the man whose 252nd birthday we celebrate today. What does your signature—and penmanship—tell about you?



# Dates to Remember

## January

- January 3 Executive Board Meeting
- January 4 Sportsmen's Night - Lodge of Perfection  
Ladies and Guests invited.  
Richard A. Fuller, Chairman
- January 11 Council Meeting. Babylonian Captivity - 15° & 16°
- January 18 Chapter Meeting. Fred Hill - Guest Speaker.  
Crippled Children's Hospital.
- January 25 Consistory Meeting. Old Fashion Spaghetti Dinner.  
\$3.95 per person.

## February

- February 1 Lodge of Perfection. Grand Canyon slide show.
- February 7 Executive Board Meeting.

## GET A GOOD HEAD START ON YOUR WORK DAY

Most people waste valuable, productive time by revving up for the day's tasks after they arrive at work. A smart employee can get up to peak efficiency a lot sooner by following these simple steps:

- Use travel time to plan the day, draft letters, or mull over new ideas.

- Take home a letter or report that can be reviewed before leaving home in the morning or read on the way to work (not while driving, of course).

- Strike up conversations with people you meet on the bus to work. Talk away early morning foginess.

- Leave some unfinished (and interesting) work on your desk at the end of the day, so that you'll want to plunge into it when you arrive in the morning.

- If all else fails, bribe yourself with a reward at the end of the day for completing your work on time.

Courtesy of EMPLOYEES NEWS, Kentucky Utilities Company/Old Dominion Power Company, Lexington, Kentucky, Martha Baker, Editor.

January 4, 1990

## 4th Annual Venison Dinner

Yes! Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ plates  
of that delicious Venison Stew  
for: \_\_\_\_\_.

My telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_.

Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
to cover the cost @ \$3.50 each.

☐ Substitute chicken instead.

Return this coupon and your  
check payable to AASR to

R G Barrell  
AASR, Valley of Albany  
67 Corning Place  
Albany NY 12207

March 22, 1990

## Old Fashioned Spaghetti Dinner

Yes! Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ plates  
of that scrumptious Spaghetti Dinner  
for: \_\_\_\_\_.

My telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_.

Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
to cover the cost @ \$3.95 each.

Sorry, no substitutions.

Return this coupon and your  
check payable to AASR to

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67 Corning Place  
Albany NY 12207



## HEAVEN'S GROCERY STORE

*I was walking down life's highway a long time ago. One day I saw a sign that read, "Heaven's Grocery Store". As I got a little closer, the door came open wide, and when I came to myself, I was standing inside.*

*I saw a host of Angels. They were standing everywhere. One handed me a basket and said, "My Child, shop with care". Everything a Christian needed was in that grocery store. And all you couldn't carry, you could come back the next day for more. First, I got some Patience. Love was in the same row. Further down was Understanding. You need that everywhere you go. I got a box or two of Wisdom, a bag or two of Faith. I just couldn't miss the Holy Spirit for He was all over the place. I stopped to get some Strength and Courage to help run this race.*

*By then my basket was getting full, but I remembered I needed some Grace.*

*I didn't forget Salvation, for Salvation was free, so I tried to get enough of that to save both you and me. Then I started up to the counter to pay my grocery bill, for I thought I had everything to do my Master's will. As I went up the aisle, I saw Prayer, and I just had to put that in, for I knew when I stepped outside I would run right into sin.*

*Peace and Joy were plentiful, they were last on the shelf. Song and Praises were hanging near, so I just helped myself.*

*Then I said to the angel, "Now, how much do I owe?" He just smiled and said, "Just take them everywhere you go."*

*Again I smiled and said, "How much do I really owe?" He smiled again and said, "My Child, Jesus paid your bill a long time ago".*

## INTERNATIONAL PRINTING WEEK □

JANUARY 14-20, 1990

The focus is on printing each year during the second week of January—a period that contains the birth anniversary of Benjamin Franklin,

patron of North American printing. According to the International Association of Printing House Craftsmen, printing is the third largest industry in the U.S. Printing touches us at every turn of our lives—from the moment our baby footprints are inked and recorded on paper until the ink dries on the death certificate as we're laid to rest. As they say in the industry: "Printing is a lifetime experience!"

## SCOTTISH RITE SCHOLARSHIPS

APPLICATIONS  
DUE BY  
MARCH 10



1. APPLICATIONS FOR 1990 ARE NEW (copy enclosed). All applicants should use the new applications.
2. All applications are to be returned to the Valley for review. The Valley address appears in the "RETURN TO" box near the top of page one of the application.
3. The Valley Committee and/or the Valley leadership will rank the applications in order of preference and will forward them to the State Chairman for final decision.
4. Supreme Council scholarship payments are made payable to the college. Thus, the college name and address should be indicated on the application.
5. All supporting information such as school, community, and youth organization activities, scholastic achievements, grades and letters of recommendation should be included with the application.
6. The Masonic connection **must** be clearly defined. Eligibility requirements may necessitate the verification of membership status by the State Committee.





## APPLICATION FOR ABBOTT SCOTTISH RITE SCHOLARSHIP AID

(Application to be personally completed by applicant, submitted in duplicate and received by **MARIO** in Valley Secretary's office. Any applications received after that date cannot be considered for the ensuing academic year.)

(please type or print)

## RETURN TO:

Richard G Barrell, Secretary  
AASR, Valley of Albany  
67 Corning Place  
Albany NY 12207

**BY MARCH 10**

**NOTE:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ M ☐ F ☐ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
(first) (middle) (last) (month/day/year)

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
(street and number)

(city)

(state)

(zip code)

1. Father's name \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

2. Mother's name \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

3. Masonic Connection \_\_\_\_\_ Scottish Rite ☐ (Yes) Valley \_\_\_\_\_  
(father/grandfather)

Scottish Rite ☐ (No)

4a. To what youth organizations affiliated with Freemasonry do (have) you belong(ed)? (DeMolay/Rainbow/Job's Daughters, other)

4b. To what other non-school related groups do you belong? \_\_\_\_\_

4c. State briefly your extracurricular school related interests and activities \_\_\_\_\_

5a. Name of school to be attended \_\_\_\_\_

5b. Address of school \_\_\_\_\_

6a. Alternate school, if any \_\_\_\_\_

6b. Address of alternate school \_\_\_\_\_

7. Of what class will you be a member? \_\_\_\_\_  
(Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior)

8. What school (secondary, preparatory or university level) are you attending? (Please submit College Entrance Examination Board and/or Graduate Record Examination scores or other measurements. A transcript of academic record can be helpful.)

9. Please submit one letter of recommendation from a school instructor or counselor.

10. Present source of income for school? \_\_\_\_\_

11. Approximate total family income? \_\_\_\_\_

12. Indicate amount of aid anticipated from sources other than family \_\_\_\_\_  
(grant, loan, job, other scholarships)



13. Provide an estimate of your yearly financial needs:

Tuition	\$
Maintenance	
Other	_____
Total	\$

Vocation:

14a. For what career are you preparing? \_\_\_\_\_

14b. If undecided, indicate possible choices \_\_\_\_\_

15. Additional Information You Wish to Have Considered:

\_\_\_\_\_

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I believe the foregoing statements to be accurate.

\_\_\_\_\_

Date

\_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's signature

Abbott Scottish Rite Scholarship aid is a gift, not a loan, and can be based on academic achievement, participation in worthwhile activities, financial need, and self help. Checks will be issued by August 1st to successful applicants drawn payable to the college, university or other institution of higher learning and designated for the applicant's school account.

DEPUTY & COMMITTEE USE ONLY

Amount applied for \_\_\_\_\_ Amount granted \_\_\_\_\_

Payable to \_\_\_\_\_

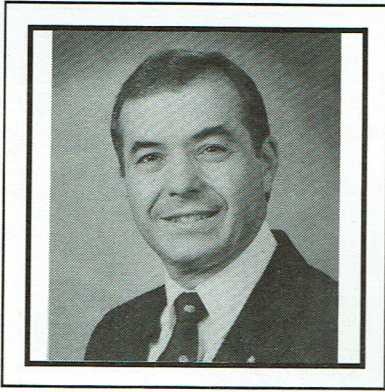
Check should be sent to ☐ Deputy ☐ State Selection Committee ☐ Valley Secretary

Approved by the Valley Committee \_\_\_\_\_ (Date)

Approved by the State Committee \_\_\_\_\_ (Date)

Approved by the Deputy \_\_\_\_\_ (Date)





## Notes From the Delta Bodies Executive Board

We had a successful Fall Reunion with 25 new members joining with Delta Bodies and Albany Sovereign Consistory. Grand Lecturer Calvin Bond announced at the Rensselaer/Schenectady Grand Lecturer's Convention on November 29, 1989 that membership is up in New York State, but deaths have not diminished. This is an upswing for our blue lodges and an important source for new Scottish Rite members. CAN DELTA BODIES BRING IN 50 (FIFTY) NEW MEMBERS IN THE SPRING REUNION(S)?

Family Life Dinner on November 17 was a fun and interesting night. 60+ attended and Richard Welkley gave a talk on "The Characteristics of a Healthy Family". The talk was intended to help Masons see that their interest in Healthy Families is well founded and to feel good about their own family good habits. As a part of Family Life Week weekend meals were prepared for Joseph's House by Chairman Newton Buckner, Bill Iacocca, Bill Assini, Joe Posefsky, and Dick Welkley, and delivered by Don Seyboth. About 25 people were fed two evening and two morning meals. We had so much fun we want to do it more often.

50 (FIFTY) NEW MEMBERS NEEDED THIS SPRING! To encourage this we are sponsoring a "New Member Night" on January 19 at the Troy Temple. Bring your candidate with his lady for an informative night and free meals for them. Reservations are to be made with Staff Willis, P.O. Box 1354 Troy 12181 by January 15.

DELTA BODIES REUNION - February 24, 1990. Conferral of 14°, 16°, 17°, and 18°. Can we have 25 candidates by this date?

ALBANY/TROY REUNION in Albany - April 21, 1990. Troy will exemplify the 6° (Manfred Stein, Director), 16° (Lew Slocum, Director), and 18° (Bob Parslow, Director). Troy will join Albany for the 20° and 32°. Can we have 25 more candidates for this reunion?

Do you remember getting your Supreme Council Blue Envelope around the holidays? Is it still sitting on your desk surrounded by good intentions? It's not too late to slip in that check and mail it back to the Supreme Council!

Are you interested in serving your Delta Bodies as an officer? And you have never been asked! We are looking for you and need you! Just offer by writing your intentions to Ill. Francis Miner, 33°, Chair of Nominations, 18 Prout Ave., Troy, N.Y. 12180

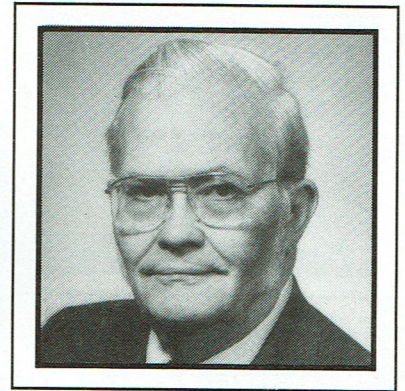
Are you interested in acting? Many of us are frustrated thespians! But the Scottish Rite degrees give us vent for these strong desires of acting. Offer by writing your intentions to Richard Welkley, 824 Sixth Ave., Troy, N.Y. 12182

Ill. Richard H. Welkley,  
Chairman Executive Board

## WINCHESTER, DATES, WILSON AND SCOBELL HONORED

In Rochester, October 29, 1989, a joint investiture of the Honorary Legion of Honor, Order of DeMolay, was made to our **Illustrious Deputy, Carlton A. Winchester, 33° Active, Illustrious Harold F. Dates, 33° Active, Douglas K. Wilson, 33°**, Secretary of the Council of Deliberation, and **James B. Scobell, 33°**, First Lieutenant Commander of the Rochester Consistory.

The Legion of Honor is awarded in recognition of outstanding adult leadership in some field of endeavor that serves God, country or humanity. The Honorary Legion of Honor is awarded to a Mason who has not been a DeMolay, for unusual and meritorious service in behalf of DeMolay, and is recognizable by the White Cordon.



## Thrice Potent Master's Message

Happy New Year Respectable Brethren.

I like to remind you to make a contribution to our food bank fund (Scottish Rite), so that we may doubly help those less fortunate. Double as the food bank can get twice as much for the food dollar as we could individually.

Brother Roger Apple addressed the Lodge on December 7th. His topic was the latest developments in the on-going investigation of the shroud of Turin. . . The latest in the scientific procedures used by the investigators were discussed and proved to be very interesting and informative.

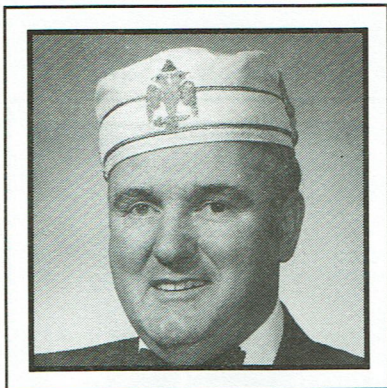
On January 4th, the Lodge will be feted by the Continuing Annual Sportsmen's Dinner under the Chairmanship of Brother Richard A. Fuller. We wish Richard good hunting and the rest of the Brothers "bon appetit."

We would like to remind all Scottish Rites to support their "Blue" Lodges, for without them we would cease to exist. Offer your assistance to the Masters of your Lodges. I know that many Lodges need Brothers to take part in Degree work, also to take a position in the "Line". It will give you much satisfaction to take an active role whenever you can.

Leslie W. Kerr  
Thrice Potent Master

Success doesn't depend on size,  
or a cow would catch a rabbit.  
GERMAN PROVERB





## From the Commander-In-Chief

My Brothers, I would like to take this opportunity to wish each and every one of you and your family a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year. As we start the year of 1990, we as Scottish Rite Masons are beginning an exciting year. I'm sure all of you are aware that the Valley of Albany will host the New York State Council of Deliberation at Lake Placid June 15-17. This should be a very exciting weekend. We, the Valley of Albany, plan to make this a most memorable occasion for the Council of Deliberation and we hope you can be with us at Lake Placid to participate in this very fine council meeting. As you know, this is the first time the Council has been at Lake Placid for many years and it should be fun.

I wish to thank all of you who have contributed to our food campaign and direct your attention to the full page within the Rite Light regarding the food drive. As you can see from the article, we had some mix up and were unable to bring the campaign to a conclusion in November, so arrangements were made with the food bank and it will be brought to a close after this issue has been circulated. My Brothers, if you have already made your contribution, thank you. If you have not, please send your cash contribution in now so we can refurbish these food banks. I need not tell you how important this food is to some people. Please, let's show the Capital District that Scottish Rite Masons care.

We are rapidly approaching our Spring Reunion and it is not too early to get petitions. When you get them, forward them to your Secretary so he can start the process necessary on all petitions. Remember, should you get two or more petitions during the year you will receive a paid up membership for

1990/1991. Congratulations to Brother Lou Silva who has already obtained 5 candidates and he anticipates an additional 3. Keep up the good work, Lou. We are looking forward to many other petitions from other Brothers. As you saw in the last Right Lite, Troy is trying to get 50 candidates for the Spring Reunion and we would like to see 50, so we can have a class of 100. This would be something extra special, because we haven't done it in many years.

For those of you who were unable to attend our Ladies night at the Century House on December 1, it was a nice time and very well attended. We missed those of you who were unable to be with us. Hope you can attend next year.

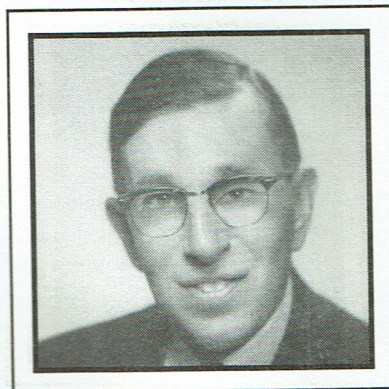
I want to congratulate our Ill. Brother Richard H. Welkley, 33° who has agreed to serve as degree director for the consistory 20th and 32nd degrees. Congratulations Richard. If any of us can be of assistance, just give a call.

I want to remind all of you who have not sent in your contribution to the blue envelope appeal. This money is put to good use by the Supreme Council for schizophrenia research and many other programs, especially the Scholarship Program. If any of you would like to apply for a scholarship, please contact the Secretary so he can see that the necessary forms are sent.

Congratulations to Brother James Fuller and Brother Richard Fuller, who put together a very successful family life week program with Hackett Jr. High School in Albany for the poster contest. Not only did they get a large increase in posters, they also were able to take advantage of the kindness of the Empire State Mall management. Scottish Rite Masons were able to show the world that Scottish Rite Masons care about the future. Fifty-eight posters were displayed in the mall, each saying "Scottish Rite Family Life." Congratulations, Jim and Dick for a very fine program and a job well done.

A reminder that on March 22, the Consistory will have it's meeting and dinner. This meeting will be for the purpose of honoring Prescott E. Nead, Jr. and will be held at 6:30. It will be an old fashioned spaghetti dinner. The cost is \$3.95 per person. Ladies and guests are invited. The program will start at approximately 8:15 pm. A few other dates for each of you to put on your calendar -

April 19 - Petitions due for reunion  
April 21 - Spring Reunion



## A Word From The Most Wise Master

I hope you all had a Happy Thanksgiving, "good food and fellowship". If you have not already done so, please send your contribution for those less fortunate than we are.

You may have enjoyed your turkey dinner, but think of those who have to depend on hand outs for their food.

Please take note that at our January 18th meeting we will have Fred B. Hill, Jr., who will bring us up to date on the progress at the Shrine Hospital in Springfield.

We are looking for candidates for the Spring Reunion, which is scheduled for April 21, 1990. Have a petition in your pocket at all times. Have you ever heard, "I am not a Mason because no one ever asked me to join". So ask your Brother and you will be surprised at the good response.

Well Ladies Nite is past and I am sure that all who attended with their gals enjoyed the food and good fellowship.

At our last meeting for the program we put on a sketch, which all seemed to enjoy.

What are your thoughts on this type of program?

Your comments would be appreciated. That's all for now.

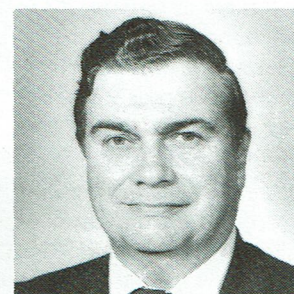
**Bertram E. Myers**  
Most Wise Master

## another sign of the times

Posted at a Community Senior Center:  
As you ripen to maturity, life holds many temptations ... Have you missed any?



A  
Comment  
From  
Your  
Secretary



## Motivational Techniques that Don't Work!

**Scare  
tactics may  
not always be  
the best method.**

by Dr. Robert Schrock

Temporibus autem quibusdum et auribus  
errandi sint et molestia non recusar  
delectus autem preferendis doloribus  
quid est cur verear ne ad eam non poss  
memoriter tum etiam erant. Nos amice  
cum conscientia factorum poenitentia  
pecunia modum est neque non imper  
nulla praevident. Improbis parum  
dodecenses videantur. Invenit igitur  
fidem. Neque hominum infantium aut inu  
conetudine notitiam si effecerit, et opes vel  
but tunc benevolentiam sibi conciliant  
cum omnino nulli sit causae peccandi qua  
expleant sine iulla iniuria autem inane su  
Concupis plusquam in ipsa iniuria detriment  
Itaque ne iniustitiam deum recti quis dixerit per se  
Nam diligere et carum esse iucundum est propter et  
non ob ea solum incommode quae egenium impro  
multum etiam magis quod cuius. Quae ad erat amico  
expetere quam nostras expetere quo loco videt

tuent tamen eum locum seque facili, ut mihi detur e  
dictum est, sic amicitiam neg posse a luptate dis  
amicis insidare et metus plena sit, rationis dispa monet  
confirmatur animus et a spe pariter luptam seiu

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I thoroughly agree  
with Dr. Schrock!

However, once in a  
while your Valley  
Secretary has to draw  
attention to those few  
Brothers who are late  
with their dues AND  
the seriousness of  
being **SUSPENDED**,  
especially if one is a  
member of the  
Shrine.

Suspension (horrible thought) in Scottish Rite means automatic suspension from the Shrine.

My short note and "Second Notice" just sent out obviously affected the sensitivities of some, which naturally was not the intent. Many thanks to those who were sorry they were late. But, most of all, thanks to all of you who sent me their dues, which were, after all, payable in advance.

Bottom line: If I've offended one Brother with these notices, then it "ain't no damn good." So, I'll hang up my whip and go back to the "think tank."

Richard G. Barrell  
Secretary



# LIVING AND LEARNING

by **Harold Blake Walker, 33°**

**A**FTER making a minor mistake, a rueful man remarked, "I live, but I don't learn." Many of us suffer from the same debility. We go on making the same mistakes over and over again. We spend more than we earn, even though we ought to know we will have to pay the piper. We fly off the handle with our children when we know from experience we ought to keep our poise. We tell falsehoods despite the fact we are aware that sooner or later they will trip us.

Life is for learning and we do not need to stay the way we are. A mistake, however trivial, is a means of growth. A thoughtful man remarked, "A wise man never makes the same mistake twice." So, if we are wise we learn from our errors and achieve maturity by way of knowledge that comes from living and learning. To live without learning is to bumble through the days without gaining either wisdom or insight.

A quarrelsome college professor who lost his position before he was protected by tenure remarked, "My life has been a succession of absurdities." In faculty meetings he always managed to irritate and anger his colleagues. He constantly criticized his superiors and never learned the art of open discussion without rancor. His life, therefore, seemed "a succession of absurdities."

Years ago in our Colorado mountain home we used oil lamps for light. It was fascinating to watch the miller moths flying into the flame. Singed once, they persisted until they were consumed by the flame. They never seemed to learn and they died of the folly of living without learning.

Recently, enamored of permissiveness, we mistakenly assumed we could live without discipline. We tried to make it easy for our children to get through grade school, high school and college without learning much on the way. Test scores suggest that education without rigorous discipline goes nowhere. We are well on the way to creating a generation of illiterates.

We should have learned from our own experience that easy access to

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degrees is profitless in the long run. What matters is what we know and how we use what we know. The young man who was graduated from his high school as valedictorian of his class discovered when he took college entrance examinations that he could not qualify for an accredited college. His teachers had made things too easy for him. We are beginning to be aware that education without discipline is beyond the realm of the possible.

In somewhat the same fashion we

made the mistake of thinking morals do not matter. With pornography rampant and the wholesale exploitation of sex, we have been behaving as if nothing in life were sacred and God had abdicated. We should have learned from history that there is nothing new under the sun. The ancients could have told us that the absence of ethical discipline adds up to ruin.

Some members of the United States Senate and House, who should have learned something from the past, have made a shambles of their careers on the assumption that ethical values are irrelevant. If they had learned anything from the panorama of history they would have avoided their pitiful mistakes.

Essentially, we learn in two ways: from our own experience or from the experience of the race. There are many things we do not need to learn the hard way through our own suffering, or through pain inflicted on others. Historians and philosophers, prophets and seers have charted the wisdom of the past for us and offered guide lines for us. By way of their wisdom we can avoid costly mistakes if we will.

The Ten Commandments and the Sermon on the Mount are valid for life, not because they were written or spoken by miracle or oracle, but rather because they represent the distilled wisdom of the ages. They suggest the ways of the wise and the spiritual and ethical discipline that enable us to grow in grace and knowledge, in competence and maturity of mind.

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