112 Brethren were created Sublime Princes of the Royal Secret, 32° Scottish Rite Masons on October 29, 2016. Joining the Class and the Marshalls in this photo are: Carey M. Kaucher, 32°, Sovereign Prince; Jeffrey S. Moyer, 32°, Most Wise Master; Kevin S. Barnhardt, 33°, 1st Lieutenant Commander; Irwin A. Kohler, 33°, Commander-in-Chief; Harry E. Hackman, Jr., 33°, 2nd Lieutenant Commander; and Kenneth R. Good, 32°,
Happy New Year from the Lodge of Perfection!

What a busy three months it has been at the Valley, culminating with the Holiday Happenings! I hope as many as possible were able to get there one of the days of this event. 2016 is in the books and now we can focus on 2017. Much has been said in print, social media, and on television concerning the election of a new president. As much as America now needs to be united, we, as a Fraternity, need to be united and supportive not only in the Valley of Reading but, also in the individual Blue Lodges. Just because we disagree with something or someone, is not a good reason for us to not attend Valley meetings or Blue Lodge meetings. Divided we are weak. United we will be strong!

Let us not forget our Brethren who are unable to get around and are unable to attend meetings. They may long to be able to be with their Brothers and enjoy the fellowship that comes with being in the Fraternity, something we may take for granted because we can attend the meetings without depending on another person to get us there. Remember, we need to be charitable to our Brethren in thought and in deed!

As always, the Valley can use your help in some way, whether it is at the reunions or at other times when there is activity at the Cathedral. If you are not sure you can help, ask another Brother who belongs to the Valley or ask the Commander-in-Chief who can probably put you in touch with the correct person.

Let us live, act, and speak in such a way that all may know the high ideals for which we stand!

Sincerely and fraternally,
Kenneth R. Good

Thrice Potent Master

“‘It’s not about where you go or what you do; it’s who’s beside you that counts!’
Does that sound familiar?

The holidays are over, the decorations are all packed away, the snow may be building up in the driveway, but the memories will forever live in our hearts. I’m forever remembering times of long ago, to simpler times, when the hustle and bustle was so very different. This year was no exception, as we rushed from one thing to another. I am left wondering, however, if the hustle and bustle was really that different all those years ago, or if I was simply too young to notice.

Looking back, 2016 was an interesting year. If you’re like me and Cheryl, we are always looking back and reflecting on how things have unfolded. In the past, Cheryl would always try to get the grandkids and family together to bake cookies, but now they are grown up and making their own journey. But whenever we do spend time together, they seem to patch up the little places in my heart that I didn’t even know were broken. They remind me of the mystery that we are all a part of: that never ending circle we call life, which is anchored in the past but is lived out in our present. So, who is beside you to make those lasting memories? ...do you smell those cookies baking?

I’m hoping you were able to make one or more of the Holiday Happenings events. We had brunch with Santa, live Nativity, train displays, Legos, TubaChristmas, the Reading Choral Society, the Ringgold Band and oh those cookies! Thanks to the Ladies Auxiliary. Although this event is a duty and a responsibility of The Council of the Princes of Jerusalem, the SRVC (Scottish Rite Volunteer Committee) is a viable part of this event. This committee meets the first Sunday of every month at 2pm in the Candidates’ Room. It is just that, a volunteer committee, but I ENCOURAGE everyone, even the line officers of the four bodies of the Valley of Reading, to participate. It is a way of learning the overall operations of our Valley. Come join us!

I look forward to greeting each of you at our January Stated Meeting. Be sure to mark your calendars for the Feast of the Paschal Lamb being held on Sunday, March 26, 2017 and our upcoming Ladies Night on March 11, 2017. All events are listed in the Valley Notice.

From me and mine to you and yours.
Blessings for a safe, happy, and healthy New Year!

Sincerely and Fraternally,
Irwin A. Kohler, 33°, C-in-C

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IN MEMORIAM

The Valley of Reading remembers with respect the Following Brethren whose deaths have been reported since the last publication of the Valley Notice.

Ralph J. Homsher  W. Lamar Eberly
February 12, 2016  June 23, 2016
Lodge No. 417  Lodge No. 665

William W. Royer  Ronald M. Tour
August 23, 2016  October 10, 2016
Lodge No. 665  Lodge No. 156

Bruce R. Young  Robert C. Fisher
October 25, 2016  November 13, 2016
Lodge No. 660  Lodge No. 377

Edward H. Doerrman
November 29, 2016
Lodge No. 435

T.T.G.O.T.G.A.O.T.U.
To The Glory Of The Grand Architect Of The Universe

A Stated Meeting of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Bodies of Freemasonry sitting in the Valley of Reading, Pennsylvania will be held in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, 430 S. Seventh Avenue, West Reading, PA, on the 26th day of the Hebrew month Tevet, 5777, corresponding to:

Tuesday, January 24, 2017
7:00 o’clock p.m.

Business will be transacted in Reading Lodge of Perfection, 14°, C. Gilbert Steffe Council, 16°, Princes of Jerusalem; Francis Marion Highley Chapter, 18°, Knight of the Rose Croix; and Reading Consistory, 32° Sublime Princes of the Royal Secret. A cordial and fraternal invitation is extended to all members of the Rite duly accredited.

By order of:
Kenneth R. Good, 32°  Jeffrey S. Moyer, 32°
Thrice Potent Master  Most Wise Master
Carey M. Kaucher, 32°  Irwin A. Kohler, 33°
Sovereign Prince  Commander-in-Chief

ATTEST: James R. Shaw, 33°, Secretary

DINNER BEFORE THE MEETING
6:00 TO 6:45 P.M.
$8.00 per person

Valley of Reading To Host Pennsylvania DeMolay Initiation

The State Officers of the associated Chapters of DeMolay International in Pennsylvania will confer both degrees of the Order of DeMolay at the Scottish Rite Cathedral in West Reading on Saturday, February 11, 2017. Referred to as DeMolay’s Patriot’s Day Class, Chapters from Eastern Pennsylvania will bring new members to the Scottish Rite Cathedral to witness the degrees. Patriot’s Day is a DeMolay Obligatory Observance set aside to remember and honor those who have made our country the land of the free and the home of the brave. Scottish Rite members are invited and encouraged to witness the two degrees of DeMolay.
The Officers and Members of the Valley of Reading would like to welcome the new members from the One Day Masonic Journey, October 29, 2016

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**Hiram’s Scottish Riders**

Winter Dinner Dance

Saturday, February 25, 2017

Proceeds Benefit the Children’s Dyslexia Center of Reading

6:00pm - 10:00pm

“We can’t ride but we can still throw a party”

Buffet Style Dinner / BYOB


Lots of Door Prizes, Raffle Items and Giveaways

Tickets: $15 per person / $25 couple

For tickets and reservations contact Rick Iacovino 484-614-0882 or email ra@iacos.com

Tickets also available at the door

casual dress code

**GARIBALDI LODGE No. 542**

**Bus Trip**

Witness the Entered Apprentice Degree in Italian

Friday, May 5, 2017 3:00 PM at the Grand Lodge of the State of New York

$65.00 per person; includes transportation and box dinner

Bus will leave from the Scottish Rite Cathedral, 430 S. Seventh Ave, West Reading, PA 19611 at 7:00pm, returning at 2:00am

For tickets contact Rick Iacovino 484-614-0882 or nicosmoe@yahoo.com

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**The Pagoda Club of the Valley of Reading Invites you to a Charitable Event**

**An Evening with the Czar’s Court**

as performed by Kremlin Penza, Noble Order of Muscovites

Learn more at [http://kremlinpenza.wordpress.com](http://kremlinpenza.wordpress.com)

The Noble Order of Muscovites is an informal fraternal group for men and women. Why would you want to become a member?

- There’s no annual dues!
- There’s no meetings to attend!
- The silly hat is optional!

This event is open to both men and women, so bring your lady!

All proceeds benefit the Reading 32° Masonic Learning Center

Join us on Saturday, April 29, 2017 at 6:30 PM at the Cathedral in West Reading for a delicious meal of Chicken Pot Pie and fixings.

Cost is only $40 and includes the meal and lifetime membership in the Noble Order of Muscovites.

Reservations may be made through the Scottish Rite Office.

Deadline for Reservations is April 22, 2017.

Make checks payable to the "Pagoda Club AASR"
COUNTY CLUB LADIES NIGHT

BIG DADDY GRAHAM

COMEDY

When: Saturday evening, March 11, 2017
Where: Scottish Rite Cathedral, Valley of Reading
Time: Social hour 6pm, Dinner served 7pm,
Entertainment immediately following dinner
Meal: Family Style
Cost: $35 per person / $65 per couple
Seventh Annual

Ill. Lynn G. Brandt, 33°
Memorial Golf Outing

Modified Shotgun Start at 1:30 pm on Friday May 12, 2017

Manor Golf Club
153 Bran Road, Sinking Spring, PA 19608
Phone: (610) 678-9597
http://www.themanorgolfclub.com

Better-Ball Scramble Format
COST: $75.00 PER PERSON

PRIZES!  FOOD!  REFRESHMENTS!

----(Complete)-----(Clip)-----(Return with Check)-----
PAYABLE TO "AASR ACTIVITIES" AND SEND TO:
Thomas C. Keen
362 N. Sunrise Lane
BOYERTOWN, PA 19512-7411

Attached is a check for ______ Golfers at $75.00 per person = ______
GOLFER'S NAMES(your name first) ADDRESSES(optional for future mailings)

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INDIVIDUALS, BUSINESSES OR CORPORATIONS INTERESTED IN SPONSORING A HOLE,
PLEASE CONTACT TOM KEEN, 484-524-5972 OR Don Loos, 610-678-1063,
FOR MORE INFORMATION.
HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL and I hope you made your New Year resolutions, which most of us manage to dump by February 1st. The Holidays are all about friends and family. At the GOLDEN EAGLES meetings we are all about friends and family, ALL YEAR LONG. If you haven’t made attending a meeting a resolution, it is too late to make that happen. OUR NEXT MEETING IS JANUARY 18TH AT 12 NOON, MARK IT ON YOUR CALENDAR AND CALL DON & BARB LOOS AT 610-916-1063 TO MAKE RESERVATIONS. Cost of meal is $8.00 (NO TAX, NO GRATUITY)

Our goal is to double our attendance at meetings. Try it and find out. Anybody and everybody, male, female is invited to our meetings. Again, dress is casual, no ritual just good food by Dori Martin Catering, good program, SHORT meetings; but most of all – GREAT PEOPLE GATHERING TOGETHER!

**January 18, 2017**

**Program**

Ringer Center for Higher Learning – Robert Lee

**Meal**

Shepherd's Pie and the Fixins’

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**February 15, 2017**

**Program**

Love Songs by Steve Walker

**Meal**

Hot Turkey Sandwich with Mashed Potatoes
The Ladies Auxiliary Presents
Saturday, April 1, 2017
Doors Open at 11:00 am
Lunch 12:00 pm
Fashions In Bloom
Fashion Show – Luncheon – Door Prizes

Aug. 12  Chester County Club Chicken BBQ 6:30 p.m.
Aug. 16  Golden Eagles 12 p.m.
Aug. 20  Hiram’s Scottish Rites Meeting 11 a.m.
Aug. 24-30  Supreme Council, Rochester, NY 11 a.m.
Sept. 3  Scottish Rite Volunteer Committee 2 p.m.
Sept. 5  Valley of Reading Train Club 1 p.m.
Sept. 17  Hiram’s Scottish Rites Meeting 11 a.m.
Sept. 20  Golden Eagles 12 p.m.
Sept. 25  Otteloune Club Pancake & Sausage Stag
         Virginia City Hotel 6 p.m.
Oct. 1  Scottish Rite Volunteer Committee 2 p.m.
Oct. 2  Valley of Reading Train Club 1 p.m.
Oct. 3  Lancaster County Club Fall Dinner 6:30 p.m.
Oct. 4  Maple Smorgasbord, East Earl 6 p.m.
Oct. 5  Black Tie Dinner 6:30 p.m.
Oct. 11  Schuylkill County Club Pre-Reunion Social (Stag) 6:30 p.m.
Oct. 15  Hiram’s Scottish Rites Meeting 12 p.m.
Oct. 18  Executive Committee Meeting 7 p.m.
Oct. 19  Golden Eagles 12 p.m.
Oct. 21  Pagoda Club 7 p.m.
Oct. 24  STATED MEETING 7 p.m.

Nov. 1  Chester County Club Fall Ladies Night
       Collingdale Moore 6 p.m.
Nov. 2  Valley of Reading Train Club 1 p.m.
Nov. 5  Scottish Rite Volunteer Committee 2 p.m.
Nov. 10 Golden Eagles 12 p.m.
Nov. 18  SCOTTISH RITE REUNION 11 a.m.
Nov. 19  Hiram’s Scottish Rites Meeting 11 a.m.
Dec. 2  Breakfast with Santa 11 a.m.
Dec. 2-3  Holiday Happenings 5-8 p.m.
Dec. 3  Scottish Rite Volunteer Committee 2 p.m.
Dec. 5  Valley of Reading Train Club 1 p.m.
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