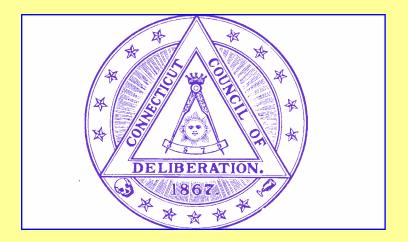
**PROCEEDINGS OF** 

## THE ONE HUNDRED TWENTY NINTH SESSION

# **Connecticut Council of Deliberation**



## MILFORD, CONNECTICUT

**JUNE 13, 2008** 

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OF THE

## CONNECTICUT COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION

The Supreme Council of Sovereign Grand Inspectors General of the Thirty-Third and Last Degree of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America.

#### **State of Connecticut**

ILL... JAMES R. SPENCER, JR., MSA, 33° 203 Miller Ave., Meriden, CT 06450 Deputy for Connecticut Commander-in-Chief

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ILL... CHARLES F. WARFIELD, 33° 11 St. John St, Unit E-11, North Haven, CT 06473 Treasurer

ILL... VERNON K. CLEAVES, 33° 31 Stillwood Road, Wallingford, CT 06492-4730 Secretary MILFORD, CONNECTICUT......JUNE 13, 2008

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## MEMBERS

ARTICLE 200 - The Active, Emeriti and Honorary Members of the Supreme Council accredited to each State; the Past First and Past Second Lieutenant Commanders of the Council of Deliberation; the Past Commanders-in-Chief of Consistories; the Past Most Wise Masters of Chapters of Rose Croix; the Past Sovereign Princes of Councils of Princes of Jerusalem; the Past Thrice Potent Masters of Lodges of Perfection; those members of Subordinate Bodies in the State who have received the Meritorious Service Award from the Council of Deliberation of such State, and the first three elected officers as well as the Treasurer and the Secretary of Subordinate Bodies, shall constitute a Council of Deliberation for that State of which the Deputy for that State shall be ex officio Illustrious Commander-in-Chief.

ARTICLE 329 - The first three officers as well as the Treasurer and the Secretary of each Subordinate Body shall be elected. All other officers shall be elected, or appointed by the presiding officer of the Body as the Rules and Regulations of the Body provide.

## PROXIES

ARTICLE 201 - Any Officer of a Subordinate Body of the Rite who is entitled to a seat in the Council of Deliberation for his State, but is unable to be present at any session of such Council, may appoint as his proxy, to act in his stead, any member of such Subordinate Body, provided, however, that such proxy shall not represent more than one member of such Council.

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## Connecticut Council of Deliberation Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite NORTHERN MASONIC JURISDICTION, U.S.A.

May 6, 2008

Dear Brother:

The One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Session of the Connecticut Council of Deliberation will be held at the Pyramid Shrine Center, 349 Wheelers Farms Road, Milford, CT 06460, on Friday June 13, 2008 for the transaction of business relating to the welfare of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Connecticut.

A cordial invitation is extended to you to be present

The Council will convene at 1:30 PM, with registration beginning at 12:30 PM, Eastern Daylight Savings Time.

The Valley of Bridgeport will host the Dinner for all members of the Council who **register in advance.** A self addressed return post card is included for your convenience, to be returned before **June 4, 2008**. There will be a Host Bar - 4:00 to 5:00 PM with a Cash Bar after 5:00 PM. Dinner is scheduled at 5:00 PM.

Dress for the day will be business attire with Scottish Rite Jewels, but **NO CAPS.** 

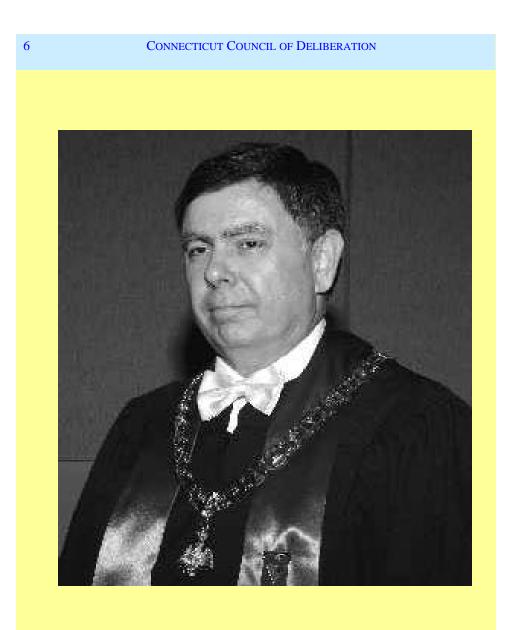
Be sure to send your reservation to Leo H. Lohrman, II, 33<sup>rd</sup>, P.O. Box 309, Stratford, CT 06615-0309, by June 4, 2008. Should you need to reach Brother Leo by phone, his number is 203-375-0471. His e-mail is: <u>lohrman\_leo h@sbcglobal.net</u>. The Pyramid Shrine is between I-95 and the Merritt Parkway on Wheelers Farms Road.

Fraternally

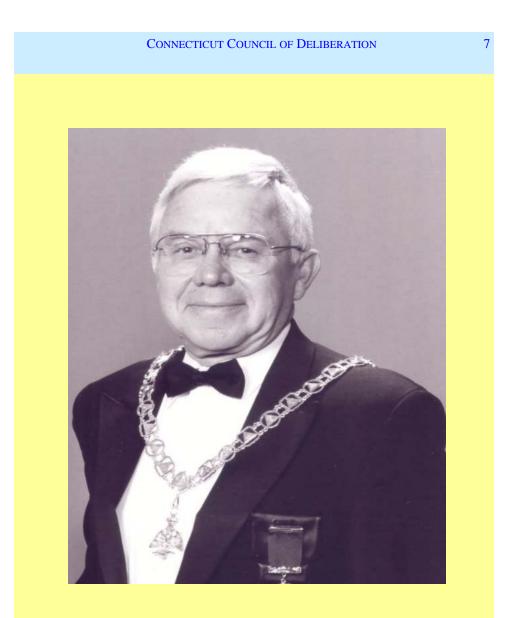
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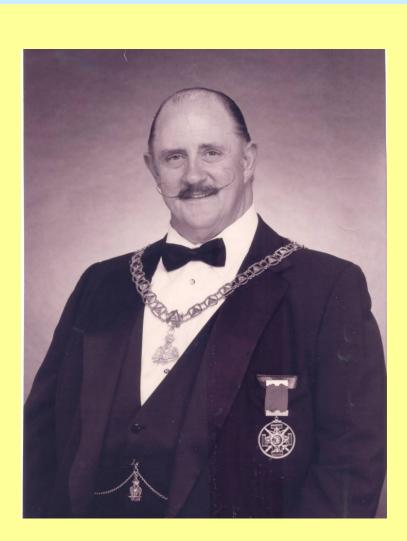
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ILL... JOHN W. McNAUGHTON, 33° Sovereign Grand Commander

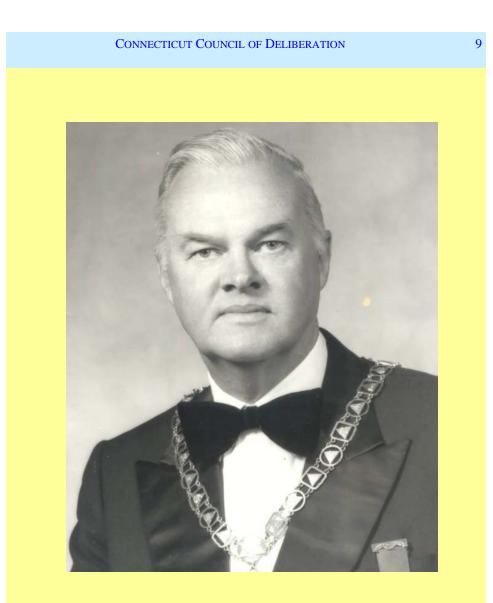


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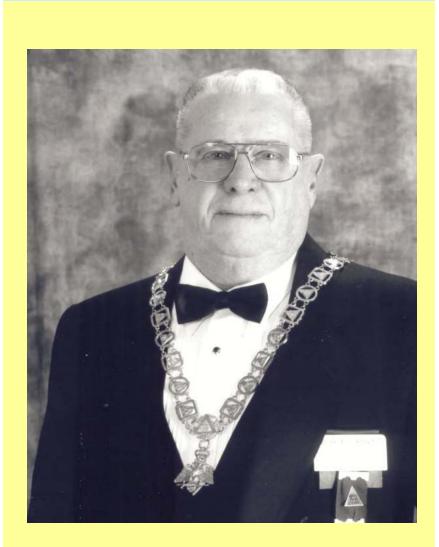


ILL.:. RICHARD V. TRAVIS, 33° Active for Connecticut Illustrious Commander-in-Chief Emeritus

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ILL... A. NORMAN JOHNSON, 33° Active Emeritus Illustrious Commander-in-Chief Emeritus



ILL. FREDERICK H. LORENSON, 33° Active Emeritus Illustrious Commander-in-Chief Emeritus

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## THE SUPREME COUNCIL OF SOVEREIGN GRAND INSPECTORS GENERAL OF THE THIRTY-THIRD AND LAST DEGREE OF THE ANCIENT ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY OF THE NORTHERN MASONIC JURISDICTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

## **Connecticut Council of Deliberation**

In accordance with the preceding notice issued by order of the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, the One Hundred and Twenty-Ninth Convocation of the Connecticut Council of Deliberation assembled at Milford, Connecticut at 1:30 p.m. on June 13, 2008.

The following Officers were present:

James R. Spencer, Jr., MSA, 33° Commander-in-Chief
Richard V. Travis, 33 <sup>°</sup> Commander-in-Chief Emeritus
A. Norman Johnson, 33 <sup>°</sup> Commander-in-Chief Emeritus
Fredrick H. Lorenson, 33°Commander-in-Chief Emeritus
Burton F. Turner,33 <sup>o</sup> 1st Lieutenant Commander
Charles C. Maxson,33 <sup>o</sup> 2nd Lieutenant Commander
Bruce R. Bellmore, 33 <sup>o</sup> Chancellor
Vernon K. Cleaves, 33 <sup>o</sup> Secretary
Louis Vander Eyk, 33 <sup>°</sup> Secretary Emeritus
Walter E. Kaechele, 33 <sup>o</sup> Prior
David L. Sharkis, 33 <sup>o</sup> Master of Ceremonies
Donald L. Smith, 33° Hospitaler
Jack J. S. Farkas, 33 <sup>o</sup> Standard Bearer
Jack H. Stevens, MSA, 33°Captain of the Guard
Gerald F. Thompson, MSA, , 33° Sentinel
Kenneth W. Hawkins, 33°Historian

The Session was declared open at 1:30 P.M. by the Commander-in-Chief. The Prior led the members in opening prayer. Following the Pledge of Allegiance to our Country's Flag, our distinguished guests were welcomed by the Commander-in-Chief and introduced to the membership, who in turn accorded each a hearty round of

applause.

#### **RECEPTION OF GUESTS**

Harry E. Needham, III, MSA, 32° DeMolay Executive Officer for Connecticut Escorted by Carleton V. Erickson

Potentate Samuel A. Frink Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, Sphinx Shrine Escorted by Illustrious Robert D. Sherrick, MSA, 33°

> Brother and Companion William K. Barr Most Excellent Grand High Priest Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Connecticut Escorted by Illustrious Jack H. Stevens, MSA, 33°

Brother and Companion Andrew G. Weimann, II Most Puissant Grand Master

Grand Council, Royal & Select Masters of Connecticut Escorted by Brother Jack H. Stevens, MSA, 33°

Brother and Sir Knight Robert J. DiPasquale Right Eminent Grand Commander

Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Connecticut Escorted by Illustrious Bruce R. Bellmore, MSA, 33°

#### Knight Companion and Illustrious Richard V. Travis, 33° Intendant General

Division of Connecticut, Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine and Appendant Orders for the United States, Mexico and the Philippines Escorted by Illustrious Leonard F. D'Amico, 33°

> Recognition of Illustrious Vernon K. Cleaves, 33° Puissant Sovereign Saint Andrews Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine

III. Edward E. Cherry, 33°, Overseer for the Orient of Connecticut Charles Paris, 32°, Past Commander-in-Chief, New Haven Consistory #7 United Supreme Council, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Prince Hall Affiliation, Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A. Escorted by Illustrious Richard V. Travis, 33°, Active

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Robert J. Stika Grand Lodge of Connecticut Escorted by Ill. Arthur H. Carlstrom, 33°, Deputy Grand Master

#### ALL WERE ESCORTED TO THE EAST FOR INTRODUCTION

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#### ALLOCUTION OF THE ILLUSTRIOUS COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

*The Connecticut Council of Deliberation now in session at Milford, Connecticut, June 13, 2008:* 

Sublime Princes:

I want to welcome all of you to this One Hundred Twenty-ninth Annual Session of the Connecticut Council of Deliberation. I'm so pleased that you decided to share this time together.

I also extend a warm welcome to all of the Distinguished Guests who were able to join us today, and thank you all for your presence. I'm very happy about the close fraternal relationship that is evident between the Appendant Bodies.

It's a special pleasure to welcome for the first time my good friend and Illustrious Brother, Edward E. Cherry, 33<sup>rd</sup>, Overseer for the Orient of Connecticut for the United Supreme Council, Prince Hall Affiliation, Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A., and I look forward to continuing with Illustrious Brother Cherry the close fraternal relationship developed by our respective predecessors, Illustrious Richard V. Travis, and Illustrious Alfred J. Lobo.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the Valley of Bridgeport for being our host today and for providing the location, social hour and dinner following our session.

#### **NECROLOGY**

Once again, the Grand Architect has seen fit to call some of His True and Faithful Brothers to join the Celestial Choir. However, we are comforted with the fond memories of special times enjoyed with each of them.

New members of the Lodge on High include these Honorary Members of the Supreme Council:

Illustrious Brother Ronald A. Mard, Sr., 33<sup>rd</sup>, from the Valley of Bridgeport. Illustrious Brother Mard served as T.P.M for 1985-86, was coronetted an Honorary Member in 1989 and served as Commander-in-Chief of Lafayette Consistory 1998-2000.

Illustrious Brother and Rabbi Isiah M. Grama, 33<sup>rd</sup>, from the Valley of Bridgeport. Illustrious Brother Grama served as T.P.M. from 1994-95 and was coronetted an Honorary Member in 1993.

Illustrious Brother Wesley H. Alexander, 33<sup>rd</sup> from the Valley of New Haven. Illustrious Brother Alexander served as M.W.M. in 1999, and was coronetted an Honorary Member in 2000.

Illustrious Brother & Past Most Worshipful Grand Master, Brother Richard Stanley Harrison, 33<sup>rd</sup>, from the Valley of Waterbury. **INDEX** 

He was Grand Master in 1975, elected Grand Secretary in 1981 and served until being elected Secretary Emeritus. He was coronetted an Honorary Member on September 28, 1983, and was a member of the Class from Connecticut which included Ill. Bro. Grant L. Brown and me.

Also joining the Celestial Lodges are the following holders of the Arthur M. Brown, 33<sup>rd</sup>, Meritorious Service Award:

Brother Edward S. Eby, M.S.A. a dual member of the Valley of Norwich and New Haven. Brother Eby served the Valley of Norwich as S.P. in 1999, 2004-05, and was an officer in the Chapter in New Haven, before his illness forced him to resign. He was Commander-in-Chief of Connecticut Consistory 2000-01.

Brother David W. Blakeslee, M.S.A. from the Valley of New Haven. Brother Blakeslee was awarded his jewel in 2004.

Brother Charles E. Robinson, M.S.A. from the Valley of Norwich. Brother Robinson received his award in 1990.

The Choir is completed by a total of 169 voices of Sublime Princes, Past Officers, M.S.A. holders, and Honorary Members.

These Brothers have heard from Him, who sitteth as Judge Supreme these welcome plaudits: "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

I now call upon our Prior, Illustrious Brother Walter Kaechele for a prayer.

#### **STATE OF THE RITE**

Scottish Rite is thriving in Connecticut! The trend of negative numbers has reversed itself and we now have more candidates than losses! Younger, interested candidates are joining and becoming officers in their respective Valleys! All officer lines are now filled with very qualified, knowledgeable officers! Harmony prevails resplendent in Connecticut Scottish Rite!!!

How I wish that the above was completely true! Scottish Rite **is** doing better in Connecticut, but not really as well as it would with a more concerted effort on **all** of our parts. Our membership, in some Valleys at least, is improving, but if we really work to reduce NPD's in addition to recruiting new members, the change to a positive number is much more achievable, and sooner. The candidates, at least this year are younger than in the recent past, which reflects a revival in interest in the "younger" generation, and bodes well for all Valleys benefitting from this. Also, the officer lines do appear to be using younger brothers to fill vacancies. A good number of them have more knowledge of our Rite than some of our old-timers, which is great.

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As to my last statement, harmony **does** prevail, and always has in Connecticut Scottish Rite.

Since my last statement is already in place let's focus our attention on the others and give them our priority. If we are proactive in personally contacting brothers who are in arrears in their  $1^{\text{st}}$  year they get behind in their dues, we have a much better chance of keeping him as a member. However, if we let him go for 2 years with no contact other than a reminder letter that he's behind in his dues we might as well save the postage, because we've already lost him. Brothers we need personal contact with each brother to help us resolve the issue of NPD's.

#### **CHILDRENS LEARNING CENTER**

Under the able guidance of the Center Director, Cheryl Sharkis, you will hear from her shortly as to the accomplishments this past year. You will also hear from the new Chairman of the Board of Governors, Brother Charles Yohe, of the plans the Board has for the future.

#### **CONCLUSION**

We in Connecticut are facing most of the same issues as experienced in most Valleys across our Northern Jurisdiction. However, we alone can make the necessary changes to insure the future of Scottish Rite in our state. I've been privileged to witness some of the finest degree work in my memory. The Valley of Norwich took the new 26<sup>th</sup> Degree, Friend and Brother Eternal to the Valley of Portland, Maine, and gave a very impressive performance. It's my hope that this inter-state exchange will continue in the future. Our degree work is generally very good, but we're about more than Ritual. We need to have meaningful programs in place to induce our members and their families to become active in social events as well as ceremonial work.

I'm happy to report that our website <u>www.ctscottishrite.org</u> is up and running. Each Valley has a web person who can enter events into their Valleys section as well as the main calendar. Please make him aware of events that need to be publicized. If it's kept current we can avoid potential conflicting dates, and all enjoy greater state-wide participation in our events.

Finally, I want to express my sincere gratitude for all of the expressions of sympathy I've received as a result of the loss of my wife Judy. You helped me make a very difficult period in my life a lot more bearable. Thanks you all! I also want to thank Illustrious Brothers Travis, Johnson, and Lorenson for their most valuable assistance and advice when requested. Connecticut is extremely lucky to have such a talent pool available to them.

Cordially and fraternally,

James R. Spencer, Jr., MSA, 33 *Commander-in-chief Deputy for Connecticut* This report was accepted and ordered printed in the Proceedings. **INDEX** 

#### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS AND NECROLOGY**

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren on the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Session at Milford, Connecticut on June 13, 2008:

Your Committee on Credentials and Necrology respectfully reports that all the present and registered Officers, Illustrious Brethren, Permanent Members and Representatives are entitled to seats in this Council of Deliberation. There are **79** members of this Council, or their proxies, that have registered. Each Scottish Rite Body in the State is represented by its Officers or their proxies.

There were **169** deaths of Scottish Rite Brethren during the year past including seven members of this council, to wit:

Wesley H. Alexander, 33° Rev. Isiah M. Grama, 33° R. Stanley Harrison, 33° Ronald A. Mard, Sr., 33° David W. Blakeslee , MSA, 32° Edward S. Eby, MSA, 32°, Past Officer Charles E. Robinson, MSA, 32°

Respectfully submitted, Burton F. Turner, 33° Louis Vander Eyk, 33° Vernon K. Cleaves, 33°, *Chairman* 

This report was accepted by the Commander-in-Chief and ordered printed in the Proceedings.

## **REPORT OF THE SECRETARY**

*To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren on the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Session in Milford, Connecticut on June 13 2008:* 

The proceedings of the 128th session have been printed and distributed to all of our members. Membership within the Council now stands at **257**. Membership in the Valleys now stands at **3670**, with **72** initiated, **0** affiliated, **17** restored; **169** deaths, **30** suspensions and **16** demits, which shows an overall loss of **130** during the year.

The per capita tax of approximately **\$14,557.00** will been received and paid to the Treasurer, Ill. Charles F. Warfield, 33°, after the June 15<sup>th</sup> report from Supreme Council is published.

Respectfully submitted, Vernon K. Cleaves, 33°, Secretary

This report was accepted by the Commander-in-Chief and ordered printed in the Proceedings.

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## **REPORT OF THE TREASURER** CONNECTICUT COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION **GENERAL FUND**

August 1, 2007 - July 31, 2008

Balance August 1, 2007 RECEIPTS	\$179,002.03
Supreme Council Receipts	\$21,750.00
AASR Investment Trust	4,080.48
Wachovia Bank Interest	4,080.48
Bank of America Interest	4/3.5/ 3.90
33° Dinner	
	3,826.00
Valley Contributions, Chapters, Rose Croix	1,338.05
Consistories	1,327.20
Councils, Princes of Jerusalem	
Lodges of Perfection	1,343.65
Decrease in Market Value of Investments	(8,100.10)
Valley Support for Weber Memorial	4,000.00
Annual Meeting Collection for Learning Center	
Total	\$31,781.60
Total Funds Available	\$210,783.63
EXPENSES	
Deputy Allowance	\$1,000.00
Active Allowance	1,000.00
Secretary Allowance	1,000.00
Treasurer Allowance	300.00
Masonic Charity Foundation	250.00
AASR Museum & Library	500.00
Printing, Postage & Supplies	446.02
Printing Programs	2,209.26
Masonic Service Awards	626.50
Annual Events Expenses	21,925.77
Endowment Fund	500.00
Scholarship Fund	100.00
DeMolay Youth Activities	250.00
Masonic Services Organization	100.00
George Washington National Masonic Memoria	al 100.00
33° Dinner	4,096.00
Office Expense	47700
Miscellaneous Expense	2,415.00
Support Payments for Weber Memorial	4,000.00
Contributions to Learning Center	400.10
Total	\$41,695.65
Balance, July 31, 2008	\$169,087.98
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LEARNING CENTER FUND		
Balance of August 1, 2007	\$ 3,556.00	
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Receipts - Wachovia Bank Interest	<u>\$165.79</u>	
Balance, July 31, 2008	\$3,721.79	
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August 1, 2007 - July 31, 2008		
Balance, August 1, 2007	\$4,961.00	
Receipts -		
Wachovia Bank Interest	\$ 249.15	
Miscellaneous	<u>1,600.00</u>	
Balance, July 31, 2008	\$6,810.00	
Respectfully Submitted:		
Charles F. Warfield, 33°, Treasurer		
Examined by: Allen E. Acker, 33°		

## ASSETS

## **GENERAL FUND**

Bank of America, Checking.	\$4,658.75
Bank of America, Money Market	1,302.94
Wachovia, Savings	1,803.68
Wachovia, Certificate of Deposit	16,817.68
Scottish Rite Cash Reserve Account	2,673.07
Scottish Rite Investment Trust (Market Value)	<u>141,831.86</u>
July 31, 2008 TOTAL	\$169,087.98

## **LEARNING CENTER FUND**

Wachovia, Savings		\$100.00
Wachovia, Certificate of Deposit		<u>3,621.79</u>
July 31, 2008	TOTAL	\$3,721.79

## HOSPITALER'S FUND

Wachovia, Savings		\$1,483.43
Wachovia, Certificate of Deposit		<u>5,326.72</u>
July 31, 2008	TOTAL	\$6,810.15

Respectfully submitted Charles F. Warfield, 33°, *Treasurer* 

Examined by Allen E. Acker, 33°

This report was regularly moved, seconded and voted in the affirmative and ordered printed in the Proceedings.

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## **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

*To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren on the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Session at Milford, Connecticut on June 13, 2008:* 

An examination of the books and accounts of the Secretary and Treasurer including the Hospitaler's Fund has been made and found correct in all details by the committee.

## PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2008-2009

## **ESTIMATED RECEIPTS**

Lodges of Perfection	\$3,500.00
Councils, Princes of Jerusalem	3,500.00
Chapters, Rose Croix	3,500.00
Consistories	3,500.00
AASR Investment Fund	<u>5,000.00</u>
TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS	\$19,000.00

## **ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES**

Entertainment Annual Session	\$1,000.00
	1,000.00
Deputy Allowance	
Active Allowance (3 actives)	1,000.00
Secretary Allowance	1,000.00
Treasurer Allowance	300.00
Printing	2,500.00
Web Site Maintenance	500.00
Postage	700.00
Audit	650.00
MSA Presentations	500.00
Sales Tax	25.00
Supreme Council Session	5,000.00
	2,000.00
DONATIONS	
MCF Endowment Fund	\$500.00
AASR Masonic Library and Museum	1,000.00
Grand Lodge Endowment Fund	1,000.00
George Washington Nat'l Museum	200.00
Scholarship Fund	200.00
DeMolay Youth Activities	500.00
Masonic Service Organization	200.00
Contingency Fund	1,225.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES	
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We recommend that the Treasurer of each Lodge of Perfection pay to the Treasurer of The Masonic Charity Foundation Endowment Fund the sum of two dollars (\$2.00) per capita for each person initiated in the Lodges of Perfection during the fiscal year 2007-2008, returns to be made no later than August 31, 2008; these amounts to be placed in the Endowment Fund.

We further recommend that each member of the Connecticut Council of Deliberation urge all members of the Masonic Brotherhood to consider gifts of individual donations by wills or codicil to present wills to increase the Endowment Fund of The Masonic Charity Foundation: thereby to perpetuate the great work of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.

We recommend that this budget be approved and adopted.

Respectfully submitted Charles F. Warfield, 33° Edward R. Ham, 33° Allan E. Acker, 33°, *Chairman* 

It was regularly moved, seconded and carried by unanimous vote that the Report of the Finance Committee by accepted and the budget adopted.

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## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren on the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Session at Milford, Connecticut on June 13, 2008:

The Committee for the Ill. Arthur M. Brown, 33°, Meritorious Service Award, recommends the following worthy Sublime Princes to receive this distinction at the Annual Meeting of the Council of Deliberation.

Valley of Norwich	Charles B. Clark	212361366
Valley of Bridgeport	Danny A. Camp	594001691
Valley of Hartford	Robert A. Simon	349183642
Valley of New Haven	Allen G. Meyerjack	720450305
Valley of Waterbury	William F. Manger	799103518

Each of these Sublime Princes has been nominated by the Presiding Officers of their respective Valleys for their outstanding service to the valley, masonry, and the Scottish Rite.

Respectfully submitted,

Franklin D. Bushwack, MSA (Valley of Norwich) Whitney P. McNulty, MSA (Valley of Bridgeport) Alfred J. Chapman, MSA (Valley of New Haven) Armand Broduer, MSA (Valley of Waterbury) Rudolph A, Gaydos, MSA (Valley of Hartford) Bruce R. Bellmore, MSA, 33°, Chairman

The Committee moves that this report be accepted and the recommendations be adopted.

The Nominees were assembled in the East and attended prayer led by the Prior, Ill... Burton F. Turner, 33°. They were invested with their jewels and received their Certificates from Ill... Richard V. Travis, 33°, Active. Also, they were presented their caps from members of their respective Valleys.

This report was accepted by the Commander-in-Chief and ordered printed in the Proceedings.

### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE NEXT PLACE OF MEETING**

*To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren on the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Session at Milford, Connecticut on June 13, 2008:* 

The Committee on Next Place of Meeting is pleased to report that the Valley of Hartford extends an invitation to the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren of the Council of Deliberation to meet in the Hartford area, tentatively at the Scottish Rite Cathedral, 207 Deming Street in Newington for the 130th Session to be held on Friday June 19, 2009.

Respectfully Submitted, Alexander Horochivsky, MSA, 33° Randy S. Stevens, 33° John F. Kessler, 33°, *Chairman* 

This report was accepted by the Commander-in-Chief and ordered printed in the Proceedings.

## FINAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren on the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Session at Milford, Connecticut on June 13, 2008:

Your Committee on Credentials report that the final registration of members at this Session totals **85**.

Respectfully submitted, Louis Vander Eyk, 33° Burton F. Turner, 33° Vernon K. Cleaves, 33°, *Chairman* 

This report was accepted by the Commander-in-Chief and ordered printed in the Proceedings.

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#### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RULES AND REGULATIONS**

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren on the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Session at Milford, Connecticut on June 13, 2008:

We pause in this report to Honor and Acknowledge Illustrious and Most Worshipful Brother R. Stanley Harrison who served with distinction as Chairman of this committee for many years. His counsel and advise will be sorely missed.

Aside from the action taken at the One Hundred and Twenty-Eighth Session held at Torrington, Connecticut, on June 15, 2007, in which two articles were amended, there has been no requests or recommendations to amend or change any of the By-Laws during this past year.

Therefore, no action is recommended or required by this committee at this One Hundred and Twenty-Ninth Annual Session.

In spite of our loss it has been an Honor and Privilege to serve on this committee during this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin J. Hecht, 33° Leonard F. D'Amico, 33°, Acting Chairman

#### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE**

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren on the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Session at Milford, Connecticut on June 13, 2008:

We have contacted the Secretaries of the five Valleys and all have reported that their insurance coverage is in force. I contacted Bill Holland at Supreme Council and was advised that all Valleys in Connecticut are insured under the Supreme Council Master Insurance Program. The Valley of Hartford has an additional policy which is a Directors & Officers Liability Policy written with Chubb/Executive Risk. It is the opinion of this committee that all Valleys are adequately covered.

We advise that all Valley keep their inventory up to date.

Respectively submitted, Arthur M. Pugh, 33° William F. Carpenter, 33° Charles C. Maxson, 33°, *Chairman* 

These two reports were accepted by the Commander-in-Chief and ordered printed in the Proceedings.

## **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS**

*To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren on the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Session at Milford, Connecticut on June 13, 2008:* 

Your Committee on Nominations offers the following slate of Officers to serve this Council of Deliberation for the year 2008-2009.

Charles C. Maxson, 33°	First Lieutenant Commander
Kevin J. Hecht, 33°	Second Lieutenant Commander
Walter E. Kaechele, 33°	Minister of State
David L. Sharkis, 33°	Chancellor
Charles F. Warfield, 33°	Treasurer
Vernon K. Cleaves, 33°	
Donald L. Smith, 33°	
Jack J. S. Farkas, MSA, 33°	
Jack H. Stevens, MSA, 33°	
Gerald F. Thompson, MSA, 33°	
Austin P. Clark, 33°	Standard Bearer
Elmer F. Manley, MSA, 33°	Captain of the Guard
Theodore J. Nelson, 33°	
Kenneth W. Hawkins, 33°	

Respectfully submitted, Elmer F. Manley, MSA, 33°, *Chairman* 

No further nominations forthcoming, it was regularly moved, seconded and carried that the Secretary was instructed to cast one ballot to elect the above slate. The nominees were assembled in the East, and were installed by the Commander-in-Chief.

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#### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SCHOLARSHIPS**

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren on the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Session at Milford, Connecticut on June 13, 2008:

This year, The Supreme Council, located in Lexington, Massachusetts has awarded \$14,500.00 to Connecticut for Abbott Scholarships. The State Scholarship Committee of the Connecticut Council of Deliberation has recommended 15 applicants to become 2008 Abbott Scholarship recipients. These recommendations were made to Illustrious James R. Spencer, 33°, Deputy of Connecticut and to the Supreme Council.

Leon M. Abbott Scholarships provide financial support for the continuing education of young men and women from Scottish Rite families and Masonic-related youth programs. Since 1951, more that \$3 million has been awarded to students from each state of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction.

- Eligibility: The following criteria are used to determine the eligibility of applicants for the program:
- A freshman, sophomore, junior, senior or graduate student attending an accredited college or university.
- A minimum grade point average of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale.
- A child or grandchild of a Scottish Rite Mason in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction.
- A member of a youth organization sponsored by the Masonic fraternity in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction.
- A graduate of one of the 32° Masonic Learning Centers of Children in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction.

The State Scholarship Committee received a total of 34 applications from all five Valleys in Connecticut. The 15 recipients of this year's scholarships demonstrated excellent scholarship and genuine financial need. Impressive letters of recommendations from teachers, professors and academic counselors supported all applications. Recipients also exhibited extensive volunteer community service, broad extracurricular activities, leadership and honors/awards in sports, music and drama. Some are holding part-time jobs during the school calendar year and full-time summer employment to help pay for college costs.

This year, all five Valleys in Connecticut have given their own College Scholarships to applicants. The Valley of Bridgeport has given two scholarships, the Valley of Hartford has given twelve scholarships, the Valley of New Haven has given three scholarships, the Valley of Norwich has given three scholarships and the Valley of Waterbury has given four scholarships.

## VALLEY OF BRIDGEPORT

- 1. Kelsey E. Ejzak, senior year, Springfield College, Springfield, MA
- 2. James M. Marino, junior year, Central Connecticut State University, New Britain, CT

#### VALLEY OF HARTFORD

- 1. Leighton C. Conley, sophomore year, University of Hartford, West Hartford, CT
- 2. Drew M. Blythe, sophomore year, Central Connecticut State University, New Britain, CT
- 3. Mallory M. Musante, junior year, Bryant University, Smithfield, RI
- 4. Erica L. Willoughby, senior year, University of Wyoming, Laramie, WY
- 5. Jessica S. Willoughby, 2<sup>nd</sup> year graduate student, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC

#### VALLEY OF NEW HAVEN

- 1. Jesse P. Bodin, junior year, Goucher College, Baltimore, MD
- 2. Kari E. Hulley, junior year, Boston College, Newton, MA

#### VALLEY OF NORWICH

- 1. Matthew A. Teperow, senior year, Plymouth State University, Plymouth, NH.
- 2. Randy B. Weiner, freshman year, Lasell College, Newton, MA

### VALLEY OF WATERBURY

- 1. Brittany N. Blanchette, freshman year, Naugatuck Valley Community Col lege, Waterbury, CT
- 2. Rebecca D. Harrison, sophomore year, Nova Scotia Agricultural College, Truro, Nova Scotia, Canada
- 3. Scott K. Maxwell, 3<sup>rd</sup> year law school, St. John's University, Queens, NY
- 4. Leisa L. Moskowitz, junior year, Central Connecticut State University

Respectively submitted, David R. Blythe Sr., 33° Vernon K. Cleaves, 33° Leo H. Lohrman II, 33° Robert J. Stika, MSA, 32° Thomas M. Maxwell II M.S.A., 33°, *Chairman* 

This report was accepted by the Commander-in-Chief and ordered printed in the Proceedings.

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## **REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP & RETENTION COMMITTEE FOR THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT**

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren on the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Session at Milford, Connecticut on June 13, 2008:

The Chairman of the State Membership and Retention Committee respectfully submits the following Report for the year 2007 – 2008

As each valley has submitted an individual report for publication, I would like to give a synopsis of their collective efforts.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

1. Ongoing dialogues with blue lodges in respective districts. Part of this dialogue involves visitation to lodge meetings and being the program for the evening. Helping our blue lodges any way we can in ways where we proactively offer, rather than wait to be asked.. Included in this help are financial assistance for such programs as Widow's night and financial assistance to the Connecticut CHIPS programs. One valley has set up a formal Blue Lodge Ambassador program which looks to target brothers in local lodges and provide information on a personal basis to perspective candidates.

2. Inclusion of non Scottish Rite Masons and non masons in Scottish Rite Family life events.

3. Open degree nights where potential prospects and their wives, significant others and their children are invited to witness a public degree and get information on the benefits of belonging to the Scottish Rite.

4. Sending complimentary copies of the valley newsletter to all Master Masons in a Valley's district.

5. Actively participating in Fair booths or in other fund raisers to raise money for Scottish Rite causes; publicly indicating where the money is going and providing literature on both the Scottish Rite and the Blue Lodge.

6. Encouraging our members to bring in new brothers by establishing or continue to support a black hat program which awards a black hat to any Sublime Prince who has brought in a certain number of candidates.

Each Valley has a different style of what they will do to encourage membership. Some of the above work for one valley but just don't give the same results for another. It would, however, be to our detriment if all methods used by all the valleys were not listed and available for a sister valley to use or try out. As an example, the Valley of Norwich has borrowed the Valley of Hartford's program for the establishment of a Worker's night dinner with an open installation of officers scheduled for June 23. We will happily let you know how it goes.

#### **RETENTION**

Last year I described that the biggest issue in becoming the best or achieving a goal was not the work getting there but the enormous work of staying there. It is truly a situation where the adages "use it or lose it" is the operative command. In the Scottish Rite we have the wonderful attainment of making new Sublime Princes but if they are not used, we do lose them and in our current situation, we cannot afford to lose anyone.

Each Valley is struggling with the loss of brothers to death, non payment of dues and request for demits. In all cases, efforts are made to personally contact NPD's and demit requestors to see what the reasoning is. All valleys have established a means of determining whether or not to remit dues on a brother's behalf. The supreme council has made it somewhat easier by their creation of a senior member program. This program stipulates that NO member over the age of 80 shall be suspended for non-payment of dues. The Valley must ensure that the member has been contacted and, in fact, has a need to be considered as requiring classification as a senior member.

Certainly the Senior member program can provide a stop gap measure to those valleys whose membership is dropping precariously close to the critical level of 500. However, none of us will live forever and summons by the Grand Architect of the Universe cannot be ignored. We need new blood and we need it now. Those brothers who have become Sublime Princes must be made to feel welcome and needed.

The synopsis of all Valley efforts to retain Sublime Princes is as follows:

1. Encouraging newly created Sublime Princes to join a cast or crew for a particular degree or to consider an appointment as an officer in our valley lines.

3. Holding special dinners for newly created Sublime Princes or inviting newly created Sublime Princes to Worker's night dinners.

4. Open Installation evenings with dinners for both the Sublime Prince and his guest.

5. Offering free dinners and social hours around the degrees

I am pleased to report that the charge I gave last year, to find new ways of actively engaging our newly created Sublime Princes, has been picked up by some of the Valleys.

Bridgeport created 11 new Sublime Princes. Of these brothers, 9 have started participating in some way within the Scottish Rite.

Hartford created 25 new Sublime Princes. Of these brothers, 12 have or will be participating in degrees.

Norwich created 20 new Sublime Princes and had 2 restorations. Of these 22 brothers, 16 were actively involved in something, be it rituals, stage help, officer lines or volunteering in our kitchen or our fair booth.

Waterbury created 10 new Sublime Princes. Of these brothers, 5 have expressed an interest in participating in some way within the Scottish Rite.

I have asked the valleys to start keeping track of these statistics as it is critical that we go on the offensive to ensure that any brother who may have the slightest interest is encouraged and utilized. This is the way brothers. It is the focus we need to keep in mind for growth. If we can generate the interest and the enthusiasm, growth will naturally follow. Many of the brothers we have put to work are bringing in additional brothers who have heard a positive message and want to experience it themselves. As I have said, this is the way to success. Please join me in making it stay that way.

> Respectfully submitted Howard D. Turner, MSA 33°, *Chairman* State Membership and Retention Committee.

This report was accepted by the Commander-in-Chief and ordered printed in the Proceedings.

## REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE VALLEY OF BRIDGEPORT

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren of the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Session at Milford, Connecticut on June 13, 2008:

The Officers of the Valley of Bridgeport remain determined to grow our membership however that goal was not accomplished this year. We brought in a total of 11 new members for the fall and spring classes but with 43 deaths and 4 being suspended for non payment of dues this left us with a net loss of 36. All Brothers that were dropped for non-payment were contacted before final action was taken.

We started the year with several of our brothers on our Membership Committee making presentations at six Blue Lodges in Fairfield County which was received very well by the brothers of these lodges and we gained five new members in our spring class of 08 and six in our fall class of 07.

We also have made three more presentations this past spring at three lodges with five petitions so far being handed out for the fall class of 2008.

Due to the success of these presentations we sent out a complimentary copy of the Valley's Echoes to all Master Mason's in Fairfield, Litchfield and New Haven Counties with a cordial invitation for them to join the Scottish Rite. There are plans to do this again with our next edition. Our Membership and retention committee will again be offering to present presentations at all the Blue Lodges within Fairfield County to the Masters of these Lodges as a way of strengthening our ties to the lodges and further boosting our membership.

Our retention committee has been contacting all delinquent members, some several times, to ascertain the condition of these brothers. We offer to remit the dues of those brothers in financial hardship. We also have been encouraging our members to contact brothers who we haven't seen in a while and offer to give them rides to our meetings.

In summary brothers the Blue Lodges in the State are bringing in lots of new members and as such it is up to <u>all</u> of <u>us</u> to offer Further Light in Masonry to these 34 young men and to sponsor them by bringing them into our belo9ved Scottish Rite.

Respectfully submitted, Jack J.S. Farkas, MSA, 33° Gary Sheppard, MSA. 32° Danny A. Camp, 32°, Chairman

## REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE VALLEY OF HARTFORD

*To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren of the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Session at Milford, Connecticut on June 13, 2008:* 

The past couple of years have seen your Membership Committee busily trying new approaches to what has become a bit of a problem-trying to get the attention of people who lead very busy lives. The way we have traditionally done this is to have the committee members call a list of Brethren in our Valley area and let them know who we are and where we are.

This has gotten progressively more difficult as more and more people do not answer their phones, but have their answering machines take the call so they can avoid telemarketers, telescammers, and other people out to relieve them of their hard earned money.

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We have decided to send out an introductory letter, which was nicely written by the Valley Secretary, David Blythe. Included with that letter was an excellent flyer from the Supreme Council, enhancing the information given in the letter. The third piece of correspondence was an application. Because of the weight of the flyer, the cost per piece of mail was \$.60 per piece. This is quite expensive compared to just the letter, but it has yielded us some results, and I recommend its continued usage if at all fiscally possible.

We also follow the letter with calls.

Another approach has been to have the Brethren of our Valley talk to men in their Blue Lodges. Since most of our Brethren are respected members of their Lodges, we are beginning to see results in this area.

The last reunion found that we had doubled our candidates over the reunion before. I look forward to doubling that number for the Spring 2006.

Fraternally, Richard A. Incorvati, 33, 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Commander, Chairman

This report was accepted by the Commander-in-Chief and ordered printed in the Proceedings.

## REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE VALLEY OF NEW HAVEN

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren of the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Session at Milford, Connecticut on June 13, 2008:

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

Membership development is critical to the future of the Valley of New Haven and the Masons of Connecticut. In order to maintain a sufficient membership level to maintain the current level of valley activity, the Valley of New Haven must add a minimum of forty Sublime Princes to its roles per year. Unfortunately, the Valley of New Haven only initiated seven Sublime Princes during the course of the Fall and Spring Classes, while losing thirty-five members to death, demits and non-payment of dues, which resulted in a net loss of twenty-eight Sublime Princes. During the past year, the Valley of New Haven held a Masonic Information Night to attract potential members, which succeeded in acquiring two Scottish Rite petitions and one Blue Lodge petition from a non-member.

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To counteract the growing problem of poor membership recruitment and development, the Valley of New Haven has dedicated itself reaching out to the blue lodges in our area and developing a program of assistance and amplification. It is sincerely hoped that Scottish Rite brothers apply the lessons they learn in the Rite to their lives and to their roles in their prospective Blue Lodges. Therefore, our events should be designed to amplify and assist the Blue Lodges. Scottish Rite events should focus on leadership, civic duty and intellectual reflection.

#### **RETENTION AND DEVELOPMENT**

In the past, the Scottish Rite was called "the college of Freemasonry," because there was an emphasis on Masonic Education. This focus on education went beyond degreework. Brothers would make it a point to study Masonic texts of the past and evaluate the Masonic thoughts of the present. The next generation of Masons is thirsty for knowledge and we hope that the Valley of New Haven can help quench this thirst.

Many new Masons are dismayed when they do not find an adequate amount of education, enlightenment or enthusiasm in Masonry. Many Blue Lodges have found it difficult to retain new members, because they do not supply their new members with the three E's, Enthusiasm, Education and Enlightenment. The Scottish Rite is ideally poised to supply this new generation of Masons with that which they seek.

#### **BLUE LODGE AMBASSADOR PROGRAM**

The Valley of New Haven is currently implementing a Blue Lodge Ambassador Program to establish a stronger link between the Rite and the local Blue Lodges. The main objective of the Scottish Rite Lodge Ambassador Program is to identify and select Scottish Rite members from each Blue Lodge in the geographic vicinity of the Valley of New Haven to actively represent the Scottish Rite by actively communicating and promoting the events and activities of the Valley.

Furthermore, the ambassadors will have the responsibility of recruiting new members, or identifying them to the committee as potential members for a fraternal dinner or other event. The Valley is currently implementing this program and recruiting ambassadors. The program should be fully developed by the Fall of 08'.

#### **PROPOSED EVENTS**

The membership development committee has proposed the following events for the ensuing year to help attract new members and invigorate existing Sublime Princes. Masonic Information Night – An informal meeting with dinner and refreshments open to masons and non-masons. Presentations will be made about the history and principles of Freemasonry and the Scottish Rite

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Blue Lodge Officer Appreciation Night – A formal dinner where the Masters and Wardens of all blue lodges in the area of the Valley of New Haven are invited to be honored.

Brothers Meeting Brothers Night – An informal meeting between Scottish Rite brothers and selected, local college fraternities. Many members of college fraternities miss the fellowship that they once had after graduating college. Freemasonry, as the world's oldest and largest fraternally order, is a natural fit for these young college graduates.

Masonic Book Club Night – Informal monthly meetings of Masons, where Masonic history and principles are discussed. Open to all Master Masons. Blue Lodge Ritual Competition – A one day event, where local blue lodge masons compete in a friendly manner on various aspects of the first three degrees of Masonry.

Respectfully Submitted, Charles H. Tirrell, Membership Chairman

This report was accepted by the Commander-in-Chief and ordered printed in the Proceedings.

## **REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP VALLEY OF NORWICH**

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren on the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Session at Milford, Connecticut on June 13, 2008:

The best memorial to a lost active Brother is the work we do to keep our Valley as positive contributing force within our fraternity and community. In addition to our continued work to meet the goals and objectives of the long-range plan, we are working to rekindle the fires in our inactive members.

The membership committee has been soliciting the new members to find out what their interests are. We have had a huge response from our new Sublime Princes. They have become active in the Valley by taking speaking parts, becoming Valley officers and working as stage hands in the degrees.

In many cases we are using them in more than one position. Even though we are continuingly losing Brothers to the Grand Architect of the Universe we are proud to have brought in 20 new members in the last year.

We are very proud to support the CTCHIP program by making an annual donation and supporting every event in the area. We also support the North Stonington fair by operating a food booth. Both CTCHIP and our participation in the North Stonington fair have brought us out to the community. We have seen a great interest in the Scottish Rite in recent months which we attribute to increased utilization or the newly made sublime princes in all of our Valley activities as well as the excitement shared by all the Valley brethren when discussing the Scottish Rite.

We have been blessed to have added 20 newly made Sublime Princes and 2 restored brothers in our Lodge of Perfection this year. This allowed our valley to completely offset deaths, suspensions and demits. We have also embarked on an aggressive campaign to utilize all newly created Sublime Princes in some fashion within the valley. Taking the first step rather than wait to be asked has paid huge dividends and has resulted in increased vibrancy and enthusiasm as well as increased class sizes.

We have continued to focus on our brothers who through hardship or age have been reluctant to continue in the Scottish Rite Valley of Norwich. Through attention to the unsaid messages sent by our brothers and dues abatements where indicated, we have again reduced the requests for demits and suspensions for non-payment of dues. Retention results from caring and communication and we are striving to improve both of these areas.

We have improved our communications by the utilization of e-mail for those that would prefer it. This increases the timeliness of the information being received by the brothers.

We are continuing to request the assistance of the members in the support of our scholarship programs, both local and Abbott.

All these activities, coupled with the Supreme Council programs of Children's Learning Centers, The Northern Light Magazine, Abbott Scholarships and the Museum of Our National Heritage, provide that extra reason to sustain membership and to think about the positive effects that paying dues provides.

Respectfully submitted, Carl E. B. Mitchell, 33° Jonathan E. Wilson, 32° Howard D. Turner, MSA, 33°, Chairman

This report was accepted by the Commander-in-Chief and ordered printed in the Proceedings.

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#### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS**

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren on the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Session in Milford, Connecticut on June 13, 2008:

That so much of the allocation as refers to the loss by death of Honorary Members of the Supreme Council, recipients of the Ill. Arthur M. Brown, 33° Meritorious Service Award, members of the Council of Deliberation by reason of their offices in Scottish Rite Bodies, and Sublime Princes of the State of Connecticut be referred to the Committee on Necrology.

That so much as refers to Dispensations be referred to the Committee on Dispensations.

That so much as refers to Membership, Degree Work, Service to the Craft, Work in the Valleys including Shrine-Blue Lodge Night, Masonic Community Service Outreach Programs and Scottish Rite-DeMolay Activities, be referred to the Committee on the State of the Rite.

That so much as refers to Appropriations be referred to the Committee on Finance.

That so much as refers to the Children's Learning Centers be referred to the Committee on Children's Learning Centers.

Respectfully submitted,

Bradley K. Cooney, 33° John F. Martin, 33° Walter E. Kaechele, 33°, *Chairman* 

This report was accepted by the Commander-in-Chief and ordered printed in the Proceedings.

## **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE RITE**

*To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren on the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Session at Milford, Connecticut on June 13, 2008:* 

A comprehensive impression of the State of the Rite can be obtained by reviewing the Allocution of the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, the Report of the Active, the reports of the various Council of Deliberation committees and those from each of the five valleys. The following information, gleaned from the Commanders-in-Chief of the several Valleys in Connecticut will serve as a summary of activities for the year just completed and will offer a glimpse into the state of the Rite in Connecticut.

#### **Supreme Council**

Illustrious brothers David R. Blythe Sr., Arthur H. Carlstrom, MSA, Richard R. Jones, Jr., and Stephen P. Schreck were coroneted Sovereign Grand Inspectors General at the Annual Session of the Supreme Council in August 2007 at Washington D.C.

The following Brothers have been elected to receive this degree at this year's annual session in Providence, R.I.: Paul D. Chello, Richard C. Memmott, Sr., Francis G. Way and Sidney W. Isenberg(who could not attend the 2007 Annual Session .

#### **Degree Work**

Collectively, the following degrees were exemplified within the Council's jurisdiction during the past year: 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 12, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 27, 30, 31, and 32 degrees. As in the recent past, the quality of Degree work has continued to improve. We are getting favorable reviews from the candidates. Most of our Valleys are experiencing an influx of new members who are enthusiastically taking part in our work. The Valleys continue to work together on occasion, while portraying most of the Degrees with their own casts. In November 2007, a joint Reunion was held at the apartments of the Valley of Hartford. Participants from all of the Valleys in Connecticut cooperatively performed the degrees for a class of enthusiastic new 32nd degree Masons. The Valley of Hartford's portrayal of the Feast of the Paschal Lamb, to which the public was invited, received positive feedback as well.

In May of this year, members of Connecticut Consistory were invited to travel to Portland, Maine, where they performed the new 26th degree, Friend and Brother Eternal, for Maine's Consistory Day. The cast, crew and their ladies were warmly received and enjoyed a most pleasant time communing with our Brothers from Maine. Connecticut Consistory continues to cultivate a warm working relationship with our Prince Hall counterparts. Accordingly, the Valley of Norwich has reached an agreement with the Prince Hall Orient of Connecticut to confer the degrees of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction on any and all Prince Hall candidates commencing with the degrees in September of 2008

#### **Valley Activities**

The Valley of Bridgeport donates its Stratford Theatre for use by the Town of Stratford for such agencies as the Stratford Community Services, Sterling House Community Center, Stratford Arts Commission and the Stratford Public School for youth activities. The Valley, in concert with the Valleys of New Haven and Waterbury, also continues to sponsor an Award's Program which recognizes individuals for volunteer community service and heroism which are drawn from the jurisdiction of Lafayette Consistory. The Valley of Bridgeport is the major sponsor of Character Education in the Stratford Public Schools; a cosponsor of the Masonic Run for Hope, Love and Charity "Turkey Trot" on Thanksgiving morning; and a major sponsor of the Winter Concert of the Greater Bridgeport Youth Symphony Orchestra. The Valley also participates in the Annual Stratford Day activities.

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The Valley of Hartford supports its youth with a scholarship program. It has just signed a lease agreement with Theatre Newington, and will allow this group to put on plays and musicals in their building. It also has a strong Family Life program. Family Life programs continue to improve with bus trips that include spouses and other non-Masons.

The Valley of New Haven continues to foster a strong Family Life Program which includes a picnic at Ashlar Village in July, a dinner theatre in September, and a bus excursion to Lexington, MA, including a tour of the museum and an excellent lunch. The Valley supports college students who have Masonic affiliations and are in need of financial assistance with scholarships. They also support the Children's Learning Center with financial contributions.

The Valley of Norwich has contributed substantially to the Preston Food Bank and St. Vincent DePaul Place in Norwich. The Valley also supports the 8th Masonic District's Widows Fund. Again this year, the Valley has funded local scholarships which, in addition to the Abbott Scholarships, are presented to college students who have a Masonic affiliation and are in need of financial assistance. The Valley also provides monetary support to CT CHIP as well as volunteers for CHIP events held within the 8th Masonic District. The Valley continues to garner public awareness by operating a food booth at the North Stonington Fair in July. Proceeds from this endeavor are donated to the Children's Learning Center in Waterbury.

The Family Life program includes attending a home game of the Connecticut Sun professional women's basketball team, a scholarship dinner for recipients, their families, Scottish Rite Masons and their families. This year's 'Player's Club' recognition dinner included spouses or significant others as well.

The Valley of Waterbury's Family Life Program included the Annual New Britain Rock Cats Picnic and Baseball Game in August and the Walk for Dyslexia for the Children's Learning Center in October. Many of the Valley members participate in local neighborhood associations. The Valley sponsors a CT CHIP at the Waterbury Masonic Temple on the day of the waLk.

### **Membership**

We are finally beginning to grow our membership, little by little. Our numbers are much better than they were just a decade ago. It is gratifying to see our work and planning begin to pay dividends in the form of new members. The increase will be steady as long we do not ignore our members. We must continue the practice of "setting the Craft to labor!" Practice has shown that there is no substitute for personal contact and attention to making our new members "part of the family."

#### **Conclusions**

Society has changed greatly in the last 15 years. No longer do you have to be a Scottish or York Rite member in order to be eligible to join the Shrine. People no longer have the time to devote countless hours to an after-work club or hobby. Young people very often do not live in the town in which they grew up. Because of all this, people **INDEX** 

Have become more isolated and lack face-to-face relationship that used to help fill and enlighten their lives. As Scottish Rite Masons, we can fill this void. As long as we do not change our basic standards and beliefs, we will always have a core set of values that the public will welcome. We must be actively engaged in some fashion in labor for the Rite. Only then will we truly have committed new brothers and the ability to grow and Continue. We also include spouses and families whenever we can. This is vitally important. We have much to offer. Let us keep moving forward.

Respectfully Submitted,

George A. W. Nousiainen, 33° Charles W. Yohe, 32° Richard A. Incorvati, 33°, *Chairman* 

This report was accepted by the Commander-in-Chief and ordered printed in the Proceedings.

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DISPENSATIONS AND CHARTERS

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren on the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Session at Milford, Connecticut on June 13, 2008

The committee submits the following report:

There was no business that came before the Committee in the preceding year and, therefore, the Committee has nothing to report.

Respectfully submitted, Austin P. Clark, 33° Theodore J. Nelson, 33° Kenneth B. Hawkins, Sr., 33°, *Chairman* 

This report was accepted by the Commander-in-Chief and ordered printed in the Proceedings.

### **REPORT OF THE TESTIMONIAL DINNER COMMITTEE**

*To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief Officers and Brethren on the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Session at Milford Connecticut on June 13, 2008* 

The dinner committee arranged an informal gathering for the Thirty-third members, their ladies, and members of the Class of 2008: Paul L. Chello, Sidney W. Isenberg, Richard C. Memmott, Sr., Francis G. Way and their ladies. This evening provided an opportunity for the thirty-third family to gather and enjoy each others' company. The dinner was held April 15, 2008 at the Gallery Restaurant, 141 New London .

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Turnpike in downtown Glastonbury, Connecticut. This restaurant has a fine reputation and offers an excellent menu.

On October 20, 2007 the committee arranged a testimonial to honor the Class of 2007, David R. Blythe Sr., Arthur H. Carlstrom, MSA, Richard R. Jones, Jr., Stephen P. Schreck, MSA and their ladies. This well attended formal dinner and reception was also held at The Gallery. Everyone seemed to enjoy the excellent food and fine service this restaurant provides.

Respectfully submitted,

Warren J. Blessing, 33° Fred B. Candee, 33° Clyde W. Kayser,II, MSA, 33° George A. W. Nousiainen, 33°, *Chairman* 

This report was accepted by the Commander-in-Chief and ordered printed in the Proceedings.

#### STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren on the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Session at Milford Connecticut on June 16, 2008

## Connecticut AASR Strategic Plan

Review and modification dated June 13, 2008

Comments from Strategic Planning Committee

My Brothers, before we discuss the changes to the Council Strategic Plan, I want to take a moment to review with you the mission of Scottish Rite Masonry, as identified by the Supreme Council. The mission is to:

• Improve the individual character, leadership, and spirit through attractive and relevant programs.

- Inspire men to support the principles of the Masonic organization.
- Promote family and community values.

• Strengthen and support Symbolic Masonry and the Masonic Way of Life through its worldwide brotherhood.

• Serve mankind through the impact of its extensive charitable outreach.

This mission statement underscores the core values of Scottish Rite Masonry. We are assembled here today because each of us has an interest in, a passion for, the mission of Scottish Rite Masonry and for the continuing success of our Masonic fraternity. Continuing success... that is the key, but how do we achieve this goal? You do it by planning. You identify your ultimate goal (the mission), then your incremental goals and finally the methods and actions necessary to achieve the goals. But as with all things in life nothing is static.

People and organizations change and that is why I am here before you. To review with you the changes needed to our roadmap for continued success.

Since 2004 the Connecticut Council has had in place a strategic plan to achieve the mission of Scottish Rite Masonry and the continued success of our Valleys. To achieve the mission, the Council adopted eight strategies or incremental goals along with objectives they identified as appropriate to achieve these strategies. The eight strategies are:

- Be proactive to attract, engage and retain Brethren
- Build closer working relationships with Grand Lodge, each Symbolic Lodge and other Masonic-based organizations
- Be an organization managed effectively
- Be led by men with leadership skills

• Be recognized as a fraternal organization committed to philanthropy and community service

- Be active in the community at large
- Be endorsed by the entire family
- Be financially strong to accomplish the long-range mission

This year the Supreme Council updated their strategic plan in January 2008 adding a ninth strategy or incremental goal and modifying various objectives to achieve these nine strategies. The newest strategy is "To achieve substantial long-term membership growth." In fact, the goal is of such importance that it was placed in the plan as the very first goal. Accordingly, the committee has modified the Council Strategic Plan to add the new strategy "To achieve substantial long-term membership growth" and to take into consideration other revised goals and objectives of the Supreme Council plan. In addition, the committee consulted with Ill. Brother James R. Spencer, Jr., 33°, reviewed the Allocution of Ill. Bro. James R. Spencer, Jr, 33°, and the reports submitted by the Active, the Membership & Retention Committee and the State of the Rite Committee at the 128<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council in order to identify issues or concerns specific to our efforts in Connecticut.

The Supreme Council and Connecticut Council strategic plans continue to focus on priorities of membership (not only by measurement in numbers but also to focus on retaining and engaging members), communication, cooperation, leadership, charitable endeavors and financial strength.

The following modifications are recommended to the Council's plan as previously adopted on June 15, 2007:

- To modify the mission of the Connecticut Scottish Rite to mirror the mission of the Supreme Council.
- Add to the new strategy "Achieve substantial long-term membership growth" the following objectives
  - To have fun and to care about each other.
  - Establish and implement a Membership Development Program to reverse the trend of membership decline throughout Connecticut.

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To add or modify objectives to the strategy – "Be proactive to attract, engage and retain Brethren"

- Modify the objective "Establish and communicate a wide spectrum of tangible benefits of membership" to read "Assess and communicate the spectrum of tangible benefits of membership."
- Add the objective "Implement a Supreme Council (or develop a) Membership Retention Program for use in the Valleys."
- Add the objective "Expand effective communications with particular focus on the Internet."
- Add the objective "Evaluate Valley activities for quality in their delivery and effectiveness in engaging the membership."
- Add the objective "Reinforce the caring, sharing and encouragement of each other, families and widows within the fraternity."
- Move the following objectives to the goal "Achieve substantial long-term membership growth"
  - Increase youth awareness and interest in the fraternity.
  - Cultivate target markets for prospective candidates (masons and non-masons).
  - Use a Supreme Council (or develop) program for the orientation and education of candidates and families.

To modify the existing objectives to the strategy - "Build closer working relationships with Grand Lodge for membership development, membership retention and mutual program development

- Modified objective "Identify areas of mutual interest for collaboration with the Grand Lodge, Supreme Councils, York Rite, Shrine and Prince Hall, then act on them." This change added the wording "collaboration" and "then act on them."
- Delete the objective "Identify joint strategies connecting 32° Masonry with Symbolic Lodges as centers of activity for both organizations."

To modify the strategy – "Be an organization managed effectively" to read "Be an effectively managed organization" and modified the following objectives

- "Implement and annually review the Connecticut strategic plan." This change eliminated the action of "design" and reference to the "long-range plan."
- Add the objective "Review the organization by-laws and operating structures of the Council and Valleys to provide a dynamic, effective and efficient organization."

To add an objective to the strategy - "Be led by men with leadership skills"

• Add the objective "Identify men with leadership skills and mentor them to and through leadership roles within the Council and Valleys."

To modify an existing objective to the strategy – "Be recognized as a fraternal organization committed to philanthropy and community service" **INDEX** 

• Add specific reference of the Supreme Council Charities to the objective "Support the Supreme Council Financial Development Program."

To modify the existing objective to the strategy - "Be <u>active</u> in the community at large"

• Modify the objective "Establish an ongoing image building program with community media, the internet and other publications to promote awareness of the philosophy and charitable outreach of the fraternity." The wording "of the philosophy and charitable outreach of the fraternity" was added.

To add an objective to the strategy - "Be endorsed by the entire family"

• Add a new objective "Develop programs of interest and volunteer opportunities targeting younger men giving due consideration to balancing work-familyfraternity time demands."

To modify the strategy, add and modify objectives to the goal - "Be financially strong to accomplish the long-range mission"

- Modify the strategy to read "Be financially strong to accomplish the mission of Scottish Rite Masonry"
- Delete the objective "Evaluate operations, organizational structure and financial viability of each Valley
- Add the objective "Develop annual budgets and financial reporting as an integrated component of Valley operations and the strategic planning process."
- Modify the object to "Evaluate benefits of collaboration..." to "Encourage collaboration among the Valleys regarding purchased goods and services to manage costs and financial gains."
- Add the objective "Maintain due diligence in the management of financial assets of each Valley."

#### Valley Strategic Planning

At the Valley level, we are pleased to report the five Valleys continue to monitor and modify their strategic plans as they deem appropriate for their respective Valleys. All of the Valleys continue to focus their efforts on membership development, retention and participation. To that end, the Valleys have focused efforts on reaching out to the lodges in their Valley to discuss Scottish Rite masonry, developing strategies to engage candidates and new members in Valley activities, maintaining quality of degree work while working to attain the goal of presenting all 29 degrees, improving member communications and developing family focused activities.

Each Valley reports the following efforts:

The Valley of Bridgeport is continuing to focus on the area of membership and improving member support of their Valley operations. They will have two events, one following each class of new candidates for Fall 2008 and Spring 2009 for candidate orientation and soliciting their new candidates to join in degree work and other Valley Activities. The Valley will be doing several events involving the officers and Valley workers to create a greater effort for their involvement and support. The Valley is exploring numerous ideas to improve individual officer involvement in Valley operations. **INDEX** 

Further, the officers are beginning a communications effort with the entire membership on being active in Valley activities and new membership solicitation.

The Valley of Hartford is continuing their efforts to engage new candidates in Valley activities with semi-annual candidate graduation dinners with spouses and Valley officers, presentation of a public degree during candidate information night and a variety of family activities open to masons and non-masons. These include the popular Rockcats baseball picnic and bus trips to such places as Salem Massachusetts last October. To increase attendance at degree nights the Valley has begun offering dinners prior to degrees. An officer training program has been developed and will be presented in July. The directors and wardroom staff have begun reviewing costumes for updating and appropriateness for degree portrayals. To improve member communication, the Valley publication *View of the Valley* has been significantly re-tooled and the Valley has expanded the use of email to alert brothers of coming activities at the Valley.

The Valley of New Haven is continuing to help upgrade the facilities at the New Haven Masonic Temple. The Valley will be funding a complete replacement of the stage curtains in the Valley apartments. They are moving forward with a revamped membership development program, including a Blue Lodge Ambassador program, a Blue Lodge Officer Appreciation night, Masonic Book Club and an "Oktoberfest in November" program for prospective members and brothers. They continue with a full Family Life Schedule including our winter and summer picnics and an upcoming Vaudeville Dinner Theater. Along with these and other programs, the Valley continues to strive for excellence in its regular Monday night dinner and degree reunions.

The Valley of Norwich, AASR has completed its first year of their newest Long Range Plan for 2007 - 2011. The Valley continues on target with the goals of their new five year plan. The Valley long range planning committee monitors the plan between Executive Council meetings and reports progresses to date, to the Executive Council. The brothers of the Valley all rallied behind their Commander-in-Chief during the fall class concluding in Newington with the other four Valleys in Connecticut. Their spring class of seven concluded in Preston and the following weekend 10 brothers, along with guests, headed up to Portland Maine to portray the newest version of the 26°. This year the Valley has included not only inviting the newest members to their Players Club Dinner but all of their spouses. Once there, the Valley will conduct a semi-public installation of the 2008-2009 valley officers.

The Valley of Waterbury is continuing to spread the word of Scottish Rite activities during informational presentations at lodges in their Valley, to promote the Learning Center located in Waterbury, continuation of Valley Life activities including continuation of the Rockcat's baseball outing, negotiating the renewal of sponsoring DeMolay and developing a Fellow Craft team to do degrees at the area lodges followed by a Power Point presentation on "What is Scottish Rite Masonry."

### **SUMMARY**

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#### **SUMMARY**

At the beginning of this report, I mentioned the Supreme Council set as a key strategy for the continued success of Scottish Rite Masonry, the goal of long-term membership growth. This goal requires us to be prepared to answer fundamental questions of, "Why should I become a Mason?", "What is the value to me and my family?" and ultimately, "Why should I become a Scottish Rite Mason?" Explaining the mission of Masonry and Scottish Rite Masonry is an important part of the discussion. Membership in any organization requires a buy-in of the core values of the organization by its members. But that is only part of the answer. When the Supreme Council identified the goal of long-term membership growth, the first objective became "To have fun and to care about each other." That is the other part of the answer. So, the next time you have the opportunity to talk about masonry, tell them about our values, share with them the deep sense of family and community you have found in the fraternity, and then tell them about the social, charitable and fraternal activities going on in lodge and the valley. Don't be modest or bashful; let them know about the fun you have and the enjoyment you get from being involved. If people perceive passion and excitement in an organization, they are much more likely to want to get involved and participate.

Finally, as mentioned in prior reports of this Committee, we recommend a continuing priority of efforts during the current year. These include working collaboratively with our Grand Lodge and local Blue Lodges to increase Masonry in Connecticut; assistance with Valley membership development; continued efforts to expand the public's awareness of Scottish Rite Masonry in Connecticut; continued improvements to the Council website for information regarding Scottish Rite activities throughout Connecticut; development of uniform leadership/officer training provided to all Valleys; and, support of the Scottish Rite Learning Center.

The Committee would like to thank our Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren on the Connecticut Council of Deliberation for giving us the opportunity to participate in this very important process.

Respectfully submitted, Charles B. Clark, 32° Brian Eckenrode, 32° Martin Ede, MSA, 32° Michael Fleishman, 32° Paul Iltchenko, 32° William F. Manger, 32° Eric Manner, 32° Thomas R. Sulier, MSA, , 32° Newton Buckner, III, 32°, *Chairman* 

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## <u>Strategic Plan for the State of Connecticut 32º Masons implementing</u> <u>the Mission Statement</u>

The mission of the Connecticut A.A.S.R. is to:

- Improve the individual character, leadership, and spirit through attractive and relevant programs.
- Inspire men to support the principles of the Masonic organization.
- Promote family and community values.
- Strengthen and support Symbolic Masonry and the Masonic Way of Life through its worldwide brotherhood.
- Serve mankind through the impact of its extensive charitable outreach.

### <u>Strategic Plan for the State of Connecticut 32° Masons implementing the Mission</u> <u>Statement</u>

1. Achieve substantial long-term membership growth

- To have fun and to care about each other.
- Establish and implement a Membership Development Program to reverse the trend of membership decline throughout Connecticut.
- Increase youth awareness and interest in the fraternity.
- Cultivate target markets for prospective candidates (masons and non-masons).
- Use a Supreme Council (or develop) program for the orientation and education of candidates and families.

2. Be proactive to attract, engage and retain Brethren

- Expand both image building and marketing plans to become well known and understood as a worldwide Masonic fraternity.
- Assess and communicate the spectrum of tangible benefits of membership.
- Increase participation and support of programs and activities by regular communication to members.
- Sponsor and coordinate programs of interest to members, families, and the community.
- Implement a Supreme Council (or develop a) Membership Retention Program for use in the Valleys.
- Expand effective communications with particular focus on the Internet.
- Evaluate Valley activities for quality in their delivery and effectiveness in engaging the membership.
- Reinforce the caring, sharing and encouragement of each other, families and widows within the fraternity.
- 3. Build closer working relationships with Grand Lodge, each Symbolic Lodge and other Masonic-based organizations
  - Build partnerships with the Grand Lodge for membership development, membership retention and mutual program development.
  - Establish and maintain dialogue/communication with the Grand Lodge, each

Symbolic Lodge and other appendant body officers regarding activities and long-term partnerships.

• Identify areas of mutual interest for collaboration with the Grand Lodge, Supreme Councils, York Rite, Shrine and Prince Hall, then act on them.

### 4. Be an effectively managed organization

- Implement and annually review the Connecticut strategic plan.
- Require each Valley to develop action plans in concert with Connecticut strategic plan.
- Review organization by-laws and operating structures of the Council and Valleys to provide a dynamic, effective and efficient organization.
- Facilitate an annual meeting of each Valley chair or executive committee designee to coordinate the activities of the five Valleys.
- Implement integrated information systems among Valleys, in coordination with the Supreme Council, to facilitate collaboration.
- Expand use of communications via the internet to facilitate dissemination of information.

5. Be led by men with leadership skills

- Promote leadership opportunities within the Valleys.
- Identify men with leadership skills and mentor them to and through leadership roles within the Council and Valleys.
- Develop and implement a leadership training program similar to Grand Lodge officer training programs.
- Engage new Scottish Rite masons in Valley committees and activities.
- 6. Be recognized as a fraternal organization committed to philanthropy and community service
  - Increase involvement of our members and others in *our* charitable outreach programs:
    - 32° Masonic Learning Centers
    - National Heritage Museum
    - Abbott Scholarships
    - Schizophrenia Research Fellowships
    - Work together with all Masonic bodies on charitable activities of mutual interest.
    - Support the Supreme Council *Financial Development Program and Supreme Council Charities.*

7. Be active in the community at large

- Network and participate in programs of mutual interest with selected national and community organizations to further enhance an awareness of our organization.
- Establish an ongoing image building program with community media, the internet and other publications to promote awareness of the philosophy and

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charitable outreach of the fraternity.

8. Be endorsed by the entire family

- Develop programs of interest and volunteer opportunities targeting younger men giving due consideration to balancing work-family-fraternity time demands.
- Provide continuous family focused programs so that a member's family will receive tangible and intangible benefits from a member's participation in our organization.

9. Be financially strong to accomplish the mission of Scottish Rite Masonry

- Encourage Valleys to develop annual budgets and financial reporting as an integrated component of Valley operations and the Strategic Planning Process.
- Develop financial plans for the long-term financial independence of 32° Masonry.
- Encourage collaboration among the Valleys regarding purchased goods and services to manage costs and financial gains.
- Maintain due diligence in the management of financial assets of each Valley.

Plan adopted June 11, 2004 Revised June 10, 2005 Revised June 9, 2006 Revised June 15, 2007 Revised June 13, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

Charles B. Clark, 32° Brian Eckenrode, 32° Martin Ede, M.S.A., 32° Michael Fleishman, 32° Paul Iltchenko, 32° William F. Manger, 32° Eric Manner, 32° Thomas R. Sulier, MSA, , 32° Newton Buckner, III, 32°, *Chairman* 

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## **REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE** 32° MASONIC LEARNING CENTER FOR CHILDREN

*To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren on the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Session at Milford, CT on June 13, 2008* 

#### Greetings from the Board of Governors.

My Brothers all, I stand before you today to thank you for your past support and to ask for your ongoing support of the 32<sup>nd</sup> degree Masonic Learning Center for Children. We have a small group of dedicated individuals who continue to meet on a monthly basis in support of this wonderful charitable endeavor of Connecticut Scottish Rite Masonry. Recently the Board has taken on a new look as a result of the addition of new members from throughout the state of Connecticut. Our needs are great, but I am confident that you, my Brothers, will answer the call.

We are still in need of Board members who have special talents in several areas, chiefly publicity, public relations and fund-raising. If any of you are so inclined – or if you know of someone else who has one of these special talents – please see me before you leave today or contact me so that we may initiate the appointment process.

The work done by the staff of the Masonic Learning Center for Children at Waterbury is truly amazing and life changing. This past year we have had two Celebrations of Achievement for students who have completed the program at the Learning Center. We continue to assist the maximum number of young people that can be accommodated by the existing center. If we wish to positively affect more young people in more areas of the state, then we must be willing to roll up our sleeves and do the work necessary to permanently endow the existing center, thus opening the way for establishing an additional center within the state.

As my predecessor has done, I too invite you to come and see for yourself, the great work that is being done in the name of Connecticut Scottish Rite Masonry. Attend one of the Celebrations of Achievement for the students or one of the Tutor Scholar graduations and I guarantee you will be moved. And when you speak with these young people and their parents, you will be very, very proud of the work that is being done – and I believe, you will want to support this effort with your own personal contribution.

You will be hearing more from your Board of Governors in the future as we develop a plan to raise the \$2.5 million dollars necessary to endow the Waterbury Center through a variety of fund-raising activities. I hope that you will participate in as many of the upcoming activities as your time and resources allow.

This report would not be complete without acknowledging the individuals who continue to give of their time and talents to make the Connecticut Learning Center an ongoing success. Ill. David Sharkis, 33° volunteers untold hours throughout the year to make sure the physical needs of the Learning Center facility are met and to keep the Center in excellent repair. A. J. Kayser and Cheryl Sharkis continue to go well beyond what they are paid to do and are excellent ambassadors for Scottish Rite Masonry! The tutors and tutor-scholars, who work one-on-one with each student, continue to make a

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difference in the lives of young people who are afflicted with dyslexia and are making this a better world – one student at a time!

The Valley of Waterbury is to be commended for its ongoing dedication and special support of the Learning Center. The Center would likely not be celebrating its seventh year of operation, were it not for the dedicated support of this Valley. Likewise, the financial support from the other Valleys in Connecticut is important and is hereby acknowledged.

So what can you do? Continue to support the Connecticut Learning Center for Children! Talk it up in your Blue Lodges. Talk it up in your Valleys. Enthusiastically support the Annual Dyslexia Awareness Walk that will be held on October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2008 in Waterbury both financially and with your physical participation. The walk is a total 5 kilometers – less than 3 miles! Come out and join the Board, staff and students on a wonderful, crisp, sunny day this October. Russ Griswold continues to chair this event and we thank him for his continued dedication and willingness to help in this way. If you have particular expertise in publicity, public relations or fundraising, please, please consider offering to join the Board. And certainly, contribute what you can financially to help us meet our goal of endowing the Center.

My Brothers, the need is urgent. As the number of Scottish Rite Masons in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction continues to decline, the 59 existing centers – each with a budget of \$125,000 per year – will deplete the Scottish Rite Charitable Endowment Fund at a greater rate each year. Maintaining our existing Center and achieving the dream of helping more families through the expansion of this program in Connecticut can only be accomplished through your generosity. Together my Brothers, we can assure the continued success of this most excellent charitable effort.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charles Yohe, Chairman

This report was accepted by the Commander-in-Chief and ordered printed in the Proceedings.

**REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE 32° MASONIC LEARNING CENTER FOR CHILDREN** 

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren on the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Session at Milford, CT on June 13, 2008

Good afternoon and greetings from all of us at the Valley of Waterbury 32° Masonic Learning Center for Children. I am Cheryl Sharkis, the Director and a Tutor at the Learning Center.

We are proud to report to you that the Learning Center continues to develop and progress forward. We have celebrated the achievements of 41 youngsters.

We are proud to report to you that the Learning Center continues to develop and progress forward. We have celebrated the achievements of 41 youngsters. Upon completion of their work at the Center, all have progressed at least 2 to 3 grade levels in their reading skills, with many surpassing this average. At present, we have experienced 7 Celebration of Achievement Ceremonies. Alumni continue to periodically stop by to share their achievements and upcoming plans.

The Learning Center staff currently includes 7 Initial Level Tutors, with four additional Scholars submitting paperwork for certification at the end of this July. One Tutor continues studying and working towards certification at the Advanced Level, while another Tutor and I have achieved Advanced Level Certification. I plan to complete my grad work this fall. Our next Tutor Training cycle is scheduled to begin September 26<sup>th</sup>. We are always on the lookout for a few good Tutor Scholars, so if you or someone you know is interested please contact the Learning Center.

The Learning Center is currently providing tutorial sessions to 27 youngsters. We anticipate the enrollment to increase to 28/29 in July. Once again, we are in the process of finalizing each youngster's annual progress assessment and we are thrilled to report that everyone is progressing and developing, with the gap between their grade levels and performance levels reducing significantly. There are approximately 15 youngsters remaining on the waitlist. If you know of a child that may benefit from participating in the Learning Center Program, please encourage their families to contact the Learning Center.

We are all very proud to be participating in such a positive and empowering youth program. Enabling these youngsters to better achieve their academic potential is magnificently rewarding and uplifting for all involved. Individual generosity and all the continued support from the supporting Masonic bodies perpetuate the rewards. Thanks to the Scottish Rite philanthropic endeavors, you are enabling these youngsters to hold their heads high with pride.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Sharkis, Director/Tutor The Valley of Waterbury 32° Masonic Learning Center for Children

This report was accepted by the Commander-in-Chief and ordered printed in the Proceedings.

### **REPORT OF THE WEB SITE COMMITTEE**

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren on the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Session in Milford, CT on June 13, 2008

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The Web Site for the Council of Deliberation is developed and maintained by Web Master Bruce R. Fairclough and can be seen at (<u>http://www.ctscottishrite.org</u>). We are in the process of updating the site materials for 2008-2009.

The site contains the following features:

- An "about us" page describing the Ct Council of Deliberation and what bodies we represent.
- Links to all the Supreme Council, CT Grand Lodge, and other Masonic organizations.
- A resource page with information about the Connecticut Council of Deliberation.
- Directory of all Valleys with locations and maps.
- Calendar of events, which allows multiple access, a representative from each Valley, has been assigned by the Deputy and is encouraged to sign in through the opportunity provided by the web master, this representative can keep current the alley events, degree dates, rehearsal dates etc.
- Officers for the current year, 2007 COD Proceedings and an informational slide show About Scottish Rite Masons.
- Other content pages as requested, photo's and events descriptions etc.

Fraternally submitted,

Valley Representatives: Charles R Harrell - Valley of Waterbury Charles B Clark - Valley of Norwich Whitney P McNulty, MSA - Valley of Bridgeport Frank Dlugoleski - Valley of Hartford Vernon K. Cleaves, 33° - Valley of New Haven Chairman

This report was accepted by the Commander-in-Chief and ordered printed in the Proceedings.

The Session was closed by the Commander-in-Chief at 4:05 PM.



### Ill.. Wesley Harlan Alexander, Sr, 33°

Born in Rockville Center, N.Y. on May 27, 1927 Died in Meriden, Connecticut October 27, 2007

Illustrious Wesley Harlan Alexander Sr., son of the late Arthur and Alva (Lyons) Alexander,

On March 20, 1949 he was married to the former Mattie Lee Blume. They had two sons, Wesley H. Alexander, Jr. of Beverly Hill, Florida and John M Alexander of Middlefield, Connecticut.

He had been a Cheshire residents for the past 50 years, moving here from Walling-

ford. He maintained a summer home on Mooselookmeguntic Lake in Oquossoc, Maine. He was a member o the First Congregational Church of Cheshire,

He was a graduate of Cheshire Academy, the Citadel Military College of South Caroline in 1951 with a B.S. degree and did Post Graduate work a the University of New Haven. Wes was a U.S. Navy veteran serving during World War II, a member of the Hamden Fish and Game Protective Association and the National Rifle Association. He was a retired industrial engineer, having worked for Scovill Mfg. Company and later for Armstrong Rubber Company.

Bother Alexander had been active for most of his life in Masonry. He was a member and Past Master of Compass Lodge No. 9 Wallingford; Past District Deputy, Masonic District 4 C of The Grand Lodge of Connecticut.

His membership in the York Rite Bodies of Connecticut include, Past Honorary Grand Commander Of The Grand Commandery Of Connecticut; Past Commander of New Haven Commandery No. 2 and St Elmo No. 9 Knights Templar; a Member of Connecticut Priory No.28, Knights of the York Cross of Honour; The York Rite College No.17 and is the Holder of the Order of the Purple Cross. He was a Past High Priest of Paulaski Chapter No.26; Past Trice Illustrious Master of Crawford Council No.19 and additional allied organizations of the York Rite.

He was a member of the Scottish Rite Bodies, Valley of New Haven, 32nd degree; the Lafayette Consistory, Valley of Bridgeport.

He was also a member of Sphinx Temple of the Shrine Newington, and The Highlanders Pipe Band. He was also a member of The Dusis Society of New Haven.

Illustrious Brother Alexander was coroneted a Sovereign Grand Inspector, 33° in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, on September 26, 2000.

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## Ill. R. Stanley Harrison, 33°

Born: Feburary 1, 1919 at North Branford, Connecticut Died: December 4, 2007 at Bristol Hospital, Bristol Connecticut.

Illustrious Brother R. Stanley Harrison, was the son of John R. and Anna J. (Harrison) Harrison.

On September 1, 1951 he was married to Marjorie R. (Hulbut) Harrison

Illustrious Brother Stan began his education in North Branford at the Beech Corner Elementary School, a one room eight class school. Upon moving to

Bantam, he transferred to the Bantam School System and graduated from Litchfield High School in 1937. He also attended Oberlin College.

Upon the death of his father, he took over operation of John R. Harrison and Sons Lumber Co. in Plainville. The lumber company provided all of the white oak timbers needed for the reconstruction of the steeple of the Old North Church in Boston, MA after the hurricane of 1955.

Brother Stanley was a member of St. Paul's Lodge AF & AM, No 11 of Litchfield since 1948, was Worshipful Master in 1953, affiliated as a Charter member in Wolcott Lodge No. 146 in 1978, was Secretary in 1977-78. He was a member of Darius Chapter No. 16 and Cyrus Chapter No. 45, Buel Council No. 20 and Clark Commandery No. 7 in the York Rite; Doric Lodge of Perfection, Ionic Council, Princes of Jerusalem, Corinthian Chapter of Rose Croix and Lafayette Consistory.

He was elected Most Worshipful Grand Master for the State of Connecticut in 1975. He was appointed Grand Secretary for the State of Connecticut from 1980 until 1995 when he retired as Grand Secretary Emeritus. He was also Secretary of the Masonic Charity Foundation and Secretary of the Board of Managers. Stan was awarded the Pierpont Edwards Medal in Bronze and in Silver and numerous other awards. He also was a member of Ephraim Kirby Chapter #75, Order of the Eastern Star, Litchfield. He was a member of Trinity Episcopal Church, Bristol. Sphinx Shrine, St. Andrews's Conclave Red Cross of Constantine.

Stanley was a veteran of World War II serving in the Army Corps of Engineers.

Illustrious Brother Harrison was coroneted a Sovereign Grand Inspector, 33° in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, on September 28, 1983.



Ill.. Isaiah Morris Grama, 33°

Born: May 7, 1943, in New York City, New York Died: October 9, 2007, Bridgeport, Connecticut

Illustrious Cantor Isaiah Morris Grama, was the son of Yeheyeh Grama and Esther (Momsur) Grama

Isaiah was a graduate of Lubavitcher Yeshiva (a Parochial High School) in Pennsylvania, in 1960 and Yeshiva University graduating in 1964 with honors and had earned two degrees.

Isaiah was first married in 1965 and to Fern Golub in 1975. He had two daughters Elana Lisa (first

marriage) and Joy Genessa (second marriage). He was Cantor at Congregation Rodeph Sholom in Bridgeport for the past 31 years.

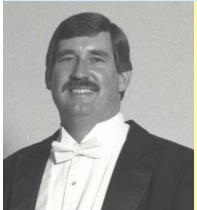
Brother Grama is blessed with an exceptional singing voice, that of a Heldon Tenor, which signifies a voice well suited to Wagnerian Operas. Our Brother, well known from his Concert and Operatic Performances, has sung before audiences from Florida to New York, appearing in the latter at New York City's Town Hall. He has performed with the Connecticut Grand Opera Company as a Guest Artist in Verdi's "Nabucco." He has also served in the Community under the auspices of the Greater Bridgeport Interfaith Group and other Religious, Civic, and Fraternal Organizations.

The Cantor sings in many voices and languages, finding every waking moment filled with opportunities for his labor of love. He officiates and assists in all of the Daily, Sabbath, and Holiday Rituals of the Synagogue. He assists in other Religious Activities, works with the adult and children Choirs, conducts special events such as Passover Seder Services and further assists by taking students on out-oftown trips, as well as taking part in Funeral Services and assisting in visitations to those confined at home or in the Hospital.

Brother Grama devotes his energy to the outstanding annual Cantors' concert for the benefit of the youth fund of the Rodeph Sholom Congregation. His endless spirit, enthusiasm, and desire bring him many honors and make him the recipient of many Awards and Plaques. We are thankful to the Good Lord for having placed Cantor Grama in our midst.

Brother Grama was Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on June 22, 1978, in Bridgeport by Temple Lodge, No. 127, A.F. & A.M. He was appointed as Chaplain in 1979 and has served his Lodge as Chaplain and Spiritual Leader for many years. He is a member of the Scottish Rite Bodies in the Valley of Bridgeport; Pyramid Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; Omar and Karyas Shrine Clubs; the Police Square Club; Monker Grotto; and the Garibaldi Masonic Club. Illustrious Brother Isaish was coroneted a Sovereign Grand Inspector, 33° in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite on August 31, 1993.

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# Ill... Ronald Andrew Mard, Sr., 33°

**Born: August 23, 1953, Bridgeport, Connecticut Died: August 1, 2007, Stratford, Connecticut** 

Illustrious Ronald A. Mard, Sr., age 53 of Stratford, was the son of Kenneth C. and Jean (Mott) Mard.

Ronald was a graduate of Bunnell High School, Bridgeport, CT, Class of 1973, and attended Sacred Heart University. He was married

to the former Christine M. Plankey on July 19, 1980. They had a son, Ronald A. Mard Jr.; a daughter, Aimee J. Mard, both of Oxford.

Illustrious Brother Ron was a lifelong area resident of Bridgeport, and was the vice-president of Superior Spring Manufacturing Inc. of Hamden.

Illustrious Brother Ron displayed a love for Masonry and was raised in Corinthian Lodge # 104, Fairfield on November 20, 1979. On May 5, 1980; he was knighted a 32° Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret in Lafayette Consistory, Valley of Bridgeport. Brother Ron's service in the Valley of Bridgeport started immediately joining the progressive office line of DeWitt Clinton Lodge of Perfection serving as Thrice Potent Master during the 1985-1986 term.

At the Supreme Council Session in 1989 in Pittsburgh, Ronald Andrew Mard was created a Sovereign Grand Inspector General, 33°.

For the first time in the 140 year history of Lafayette Consistory Illustrious Brother Ron, son of a former Commander-in-Chief, succeeded to the office being installed as the 40th Commander-in Chief for the 1998-2000 term.

Brother Ron also held membership in the York Rite, Stratford, Pyramid Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S. and the Royal Order of Jesters.

Our Illustrious Brother had a lifelong interest in horses, served as a Boy Scout Committeeman and was very active in the Hamden Fish and Game Club serving as a Director and several times was the club's Trap Champion.

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Kenneth E. Blake	$32^{\circ}$	Thrice Potent Master
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Daniel Galloza	32°	Master of Ceremonies
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## KING SOLOMON LODGE OF PERFECTION NORWICH Chartered May 28, 1864 Stated Communications: As Determined by

# Executive Council with the Annual in May

Jeffry L. Stober	32°	Thrice Potent Master
Warren Swaar	$32^{\circ}$	Deputy Master
Brian Eckenrode	$32^{\circ}$	Senior Warden
John Plante	32°	Junior Warden
Carl Heinrich	32°	Orator
Howard D. Turner, MSA	33°	Treasurer
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## **Stated Communications: As Determined by Executive Committee**

Frank Dlugoleski	$32^{\circ}$	Thrice Potent Master
Eric W. Manner	$32^{\circ}$	Deputy Master
Jeffery A. Flynn	$32^{\circ}$	Senior Warden
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Winfred G. Kroeze	$32^{\circ}$	Captain of the Guard
Steven Shoopak	$32^{\circ}$	Chaplain
Charles R. Hammond	$32^{\circ}$	Tyler

## E.G. STORER LODGE OF PERFECTION NEW HAVEN Chartered August 19, 1874

## Stated Communications: Second Monday: January, March, September and November Annual: Second Monday in May

Paul L. Chello	$32^{\circ}$	Thrice Potent Master
Sidney W. Isenberg	$32^{\circ}$	Deputy Master
Christopher J. Earle	$32^{\circ}$	Senior Warden
Charles H. Tirrell, MSA	$32^{\circ}$	Junior Warden
Martin Ede, MSA	$32^{\circ}$	Orator
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Vernon K. Cleaves	33°	Secretary
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Lewis P. Bither	$32^{\circ}$	Hospitaler
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Frank H. Lesco, MSA	$32^{\circ}$	Tyler

## DORIC LODGE OF PERFECTION WATERBURY Chartered September 23, 1897 Stated Communications: First Wednesday, February, October and November

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Joseph B. Cyr, MSA	33°	Thrice Potent Master
Charles D. O'Neil	32°	Deputy Master
Christopher P. Henry	32°	Senior Warden
Eric J. Malafronte	32°	Junior Warden
Paul B Iltchenko	32°	Orator
Herbert W. Mower, MSA	33°	Treasurer
Clyde W. Kayser, II, MSA	33°	Secretary
Thomas M. Maxwell, II, MSA	33°	Master of Ceremonies
Grey D. Zane, Sr., MSA	32°	Captain of the Guard
Louis Vander Eyk	33°	Hospitaler
Sheldon N. McKee	32°	Tyler

## WASHINGTON COUNCIL, PRINCES OF JERUSALEM BRIDGEPORT Chartered June 1, 1858

## Stated Assemblies: Third Monday, February, October, November at 7:30 P.M.

Danny A. Camp	32°	Sovereign Prince
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Gary D. Shepard, MSA	$32^{\circ}$	High Priest
Harvey J. Hartin	32°	Senior Warden
Kristopher Mancini	32°	Junior Warden
Edward R. Ham	33°	Treasurer
Leo H. Lohrman, II	33°	Secretary
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Donald H. King	32°	Hospitaler
Max Rosenberg	32°	Master of Entrances
Robert J. Cascone	$32^{\circ}$	Tyler

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### Stated Assemblies as determined by Executive Council

Jonathan E. Wilson	$32^{\circ}$	Sovereign Prince
Timothy P. Devine	$32^{\circ}$	High Priest
Robert J. Archambeault	$32^{\circ}$	Senior Warden
William H. Morse, Jr.	$32^{\circ}$	Junior Warden
Howard D. Turner, MSA	33°	Treasurer
Francis E. Rebmann	32°	Secretary
Steven Robarge	32°	Master of Ceremonies
Charles A. Duke, MSA	$32^{\circ}$	Hospitaler
Lewis E. Bradley	32°	Master of Entrances
Douglas Girard	32°	Tyler

## HARTFORD COUNCIL, PRINCES OF JERUSALEM HARTFORD Chartered August 16, 1876

## Stated Assemblies: As Determined by Executive Council

Perne "Robert" Maynard	32°	Sovereign Prince
Dale T. Cunningham	32°	High Priest
Aaron Sussman	32°	Senior Warden
Montgomery A. Fitzpatrick	32°	Junior Warden
Allan E. Acker	33°	Treasurer
David R. Blythe, Sr.	33°	Secretary
Jonathan R. Beatty	32°	Master of Ceremonies
Kevin J. Hecht	33°	Hospitaler
Melvin E. Johnson	32°	Master of Entrances
Charles D. Weiss, MSA	32°	Chaplain
J. Ross Arbuckle	$32^{\circ}$	Tyler

## ELM CITY COUNCIL, PRINCES OF JERUSALEM NEW HAVEN Chartered August 18, 1875

## Stated Assemblies: Second Monday in January, March September and November Annual: Second Monday in May

Bradley K. Cooney	33°	Sovereign Prince
Steven P. Schreck, MSA	33°	High Priest
Carl G. Ek	32°	Senior Warden
Elliott J. Wilcox	32°	Junior Warden
Charles F. Warfield	33°	Treasurer
Vernon K. Cleaves	33°	Secretary
Bruce R. Bellmore, MSA	33°	Master of Ceremonies
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Frank Heaven	32°	Master of Entrances
Frank H. Lesco, MSA	32°	Tyler

### IONIC COUNCIL, PRINCES OF JERUSALEM WATERBURY Chartered September 23, 1897

## Stated Assemblies: First Wednesday of February October and November Annual: First Wednesday in May

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32°	High
32°	Senic
32°	Junio
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32°	Mast
33°	Hosp
33°	Maste
32°	Tyler
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Sovereign Prince High Priest Senior Warden Junior Warden Treasurer Secretary Master of Ceremonies Hospitaler Master of Entrances Tyler

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## Stated Convocations: Third Monday, February, October and November, at 7:30 PM. Annual Convocation: Third Monday in May at 8:00 PM.

32°	Most Wise Master
32°	Senior Warden
32°	Junior Warden
33°	Orator
33°	Treasurer
33°	Secretary
32°	Master of Ceremonies
32°	Hospitaler
32°	Captain of the Guard
32°	Tyler
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## NORWICH CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX OF H.R.D.M. NORWICH Chartered May 28, 1864

### Stated Convocations: as Determined by Executive Council

David Costner	32°	Most Wise Master
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William L. Breed	32°	Senior Warden
Wallace DeSouza	32°	Junior Warden
Theodore J. Nelson, III	33°	Orator
Howard D. Turner, MSA	33°	Treasurer
Francis E. Rebmann	32°	Secretary
Edward M. Joynes	32°	Master of Ceremonies
Charles A. Duke, MSA	32°	Hospitaler
Victor A. Stancovski	32°	Captain of the Guard
Douglas Girard	32°	Tyler

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## CYRUS GOODELL CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX OF H.R.D.M. HARTFORD Chartered August 16, 1876

### Stated Convocations: As Determined by Executive Committee

Richard R. Jones, Jr.	33°	Most Wise Master
Theodore L. Hasty	32°	Senior Warden
Richard F. Denno	32°	Junior Warden
Guy O. Whelchell, III	32°	Orator
Allan E. Acker	33°	Treasurer
David R. Blythe, Sr.	33°	Secretary
Benjamin A. Isaacson	32°	Master of Ceremonies
Kevin J. Hecht	33°	Hospitaler
Michael L. Stephens	32°	Captain of the Guard
George L. Petrini	32°	Chaplain
Robert J. Milne	32°	Tyler

# NEW HAVEN CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX OF H.R.D.M. NEW HAVEN

## Chartered August 19, 1875

### Stated Convocations: Second Monday in January, March, September and November Annual: Second Monday in May

Allen G. Meyerjack, MSA	32°	Most Wise Master
Willis E. Copeland, Jr. MSA	32°	Senior Warden
Paul L. Chello	32°	Junior Warden
Bradley K. Cooney	33°	Orator
Charles F. Warfield	33°	Treasurer
Vernon K. Cleaves	33°	Secretary
Charles H. Tirrell, MSA	32°	Master of Ceremonies
Lewis P. Bither	32°	Hospitaler
Robert J. DiPasquale	32°	Captain of the Guard
Frank H. Lesco, MSA	32°	Tyler

## CORINTHIAN CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX OF H.R.D.M. WATERBURY Chartered September 23, 1897

## Stated Convocations: First Wednesday of February, October and November Annual: First Wednesday in May

Eric J. Malafronte	32°	Most Wise Master
Christopher P. Henry	32°	Senior Warden
Paul B. Iltchenko	32°	Junior Warden
Grey D. Zane, Sr., MSA	32°	Orator
Herbert W. Mower, MSA	33°	Treasurer
Clyde W. Kayser, II, MSA	33°	Secretary
Thomas M. Maxwell, II, MSA	33°	Master of Ceremonies
Louis Vander Eyk	33°	Hospitaler
Ormonde H. Osbon, Jr.	32°	Captain of the Guard
Sheldon N. Mckee	32°	Tyler

### LAFAYETTE CONSISTORY, S.P.R.S., 32° BRIDGEPORT Chartered June 1, 1858

## Stated Rendezvous: Third Monday of February, October and November at 7:30 P .M. Annual: Third Monday in May at 8:00 P .M.

Whitney P. McNulty, MSA	$32^{\circ}$	Commander-in-Chief
Donald L. Smith, MSA	33°	1st Lieut. Commander
Jack J. S. Farkas, MSA	33°	2nd Lieut. Commander
Bradley K. Cooney	33°	Orator
Austin P. Clark	33°	Chancellor
Edward R. Ham	33°	Treasurer
Leo H. Lohrman	33°	Secretary
David L. Sharkis	33°	Master of Ceremonies
Donald H. King	32°	Hospitaler
Paul L. Chello	32°	Engineer and Seneschal

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## CONNECTICUT CONSISTORY, S.P.R.S., 32° NORWICH Chartered May 28, 1864

## Stated Rendezvous: As Determined by Executive Council

Howard D. Turner, MSA	33°	Commander-in-Chief
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Charles B. Clark, MSA	$32^{\circ}$	1st Lieut. Commander
Richard Wingate, MSA	32°	2nd Lieut. Commander
Frank Rich, Jr.	$32^{\circ}$	Orator
Carl J. Mossberg, MSA	32°	Chancellor
Howard D. Turner, MSA	33°	Treasurer
Francis E. Rebmann	32°	Secretary
Winston S. Dean, MSA	32°	Master of Ceremonies
Charles A. Duke, MSA	32°	Hospitaler
Edward I. Childs	32°	Engineer and Seneschal
John Sasser, III	32°	Color Bearer
Matthew J. Wingate	32°	Standard Bearer
Ronald F. Maliano, Jr.	32°	Captain of the Guard
Douglas Girard	$32^{\circ}$	Sentinel

## NATHAN HALE CONSISTORY, S.P.R.S., 32° HARTFORD Chattered September 25, 1884

### Stated Rendezvous: As Determined by Executive Committee Annual at Call of Executive Council

William E. Bohman	33°	Commander-in-Chief
Francis G. Way, MSA	$32^{\circ}$	1st Lieut. Commander
Newton Buchner, III	32°	2nd Lieut. Commander
Walter Grube	32°	Orator
John F. Kessler	33°	Chancellor
Allan E. Acker	33°	Treasurer
David R. Blythe, Sr.	33°	Secretary
Gerald F. Thompson, MSA	33°	Master of Ceremonies
Kevin J. Hecht	33°	Hospitaler
Theodore L. Hasty.	33°	Engineer and Seneschal
Justin A. Duffy	32°	Color Bearer
Aaron "Ron" Sussman	32°	Standard Bearer
Melvin E. Johnson	32°	Captain of the Guard
Frederick W. Becher	32°	Sentinel

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Wallace Desousa	
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33° Received	Elected Active	<b>Elected Deputy</b>
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Frederick H. Lorenson		
Sept. 24, 1975	Oct. 1, 1981	Sept. 28, 1994
Richard V. Travis		
Sept. 24, 1986	Aug. 27, 1996	Sept. 23, 1997
Gail N. Smith		- The second
Sept. 25, 1985	Sept. 26, 2000	
James R. Spencer	Ţ.	
Sept. 28, 1983	Sept. 3, 2002	Aug. 29, 2006
David L. Sharkis	Ţ.	
Sept. 3, 2002		

### HONORARY MEMBERS OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL

Thomas E. McCay	Sept. 28, 1966
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James L. Whiting	Sept. 27, 1978
John E. Foster	
Calvin D. Larson	Sept. 26, 1979
Louis Vander Eyk	
William F. Carpenter	
Arthur J. McKinney	
Warren J. Blessing	Sept. 29, 1982
Leo H. Lohrman	
Grant L. Brown	Sept. 28, 1983
Allen E. Acker	
Raymond G. Canfield	
Austin P. Clark	Sept. 26, 1984
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	1972	Herbert W. Mower
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Elected Deputy	Died
May 19, 1865	June 13, 1903
Sept. 16, 1903	Nov. 12, 1918
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Dec. 03, 1940	June 12, 1949
June 13, 1949	Mar. 26, 1958
Mar. 27, 1958	May 11, 1981
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	Honorary	Active	Died
*George Whitefield Bentley	Jan. 28, 1863	Oct. 20, 1864	June 05, 1901
*William Riley Higby	Apr. 26, 1858	Oct. 20, 1864	Sept 04, 1902
*Charles William Carter	May 18, 1865	May 19, 1865	June 13, 1903
*Henry Odgen Canfeld	Sept. 17, 1901	Sept. 16, 1903	July 25, 1910
*Charles Learned Hubbard	Sept. 18, 1894	Sept. 16, 1903	Nov. 12, 1918
*Albert Seymour Comstock	Sept. 15, 1903	Sept. 18, 1919	Aug. 25, 1936
*Charles Melville Gerdenier	Sept. 20, 1904	Sept. 22, 1910	Dec. 03, 1940
*Carlton Hickox Stevens	Sept. 19, 1922	Sept. 25, 1941	Sept 28, 1943
*Arthur Morton Brown	Sept. 17, 1918	Jan. 07, 1937	June 12, 1949
*Chauncey Houston Clements	Sept. 29, 1943	Sept. 28, 1944	Mar. 26, 1958
*Irving Emerson Partridge	Sept. 26, 1945	Sept. 29, 1949	May 11, 1981
*Frederick William Hummel	Sept. 24, 1941	Sept. 24, 1958	Feb. 28, 1982
*Leon Alvah Bradbury	Sept. 25, 1968	Sept. 27, 1971	Dec. 06, 1984
*William Campbell	Sept. 27, 1967	Sept. 28, 1978	June 26, 1981
Arthur Norman Johnson	Sept. 30, 1970	Sept. 27, 1979	
Frederick Howard Lorenson	Sept. 24, 1975	Oct. 01, 1981	
Richard Vernon Travis	Sept. 24, 1986	Aug. 27, 1996	
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#### RULES AND REGULATIONS for the CONNECTICUT COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION ANCIENT ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONARY

#### ARTICLE I

#### Title and Allegiance

Sec. 1 - This Council shall be known as "Connecticut Council of Deliberation of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry".

Sec. 2 - It is formed under and hereby acknowledges and yields allegiance to the Supreme Council of Sovereign Grand Inspectors General of the Thirty-third and last degree of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasory for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America, having its Grand East in the City of Lexington, Massachusetts.

#### **ARTICLE II**

#### Meetings, Notices, Quorum

Sec. 1 - The Connecticut Council of Deliberation shall meet annually. The time and place of each Annual Meeting shall be determined by the Council, provided, however, that such time and place of meeting may be changed by the Deputy for any reason deemed by him to require such action.

Sec. 2 - A special meeting of this Council may be called by the Deputy for such time and place within this State as he shall determine, or by this Council at any annual meeting.

Sec. 3 - Written or printed notice of each annual or special meeting of this Council shall be given by the Secretary, to be served either personally or by mail, to each member at least Ten (10) days before said meeting. Such notice shall state the purpose thereof.

Sec. 4 - Accredited representatives of a majority of the Scottish Rite Bodies in this State shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

#### ARTICLE III

#### Members, Officers

Sec. 1 - The members of this Council of Deliberation shall be such as are prescribed by the Supreme Council.

Sec. 2a - The Council shall elect the following officers at each annual meeting to hold office for one year or until their successors shall be elected and installed:

First Lieutenant Commander Second Lieutenant Commander Minister of State Chancellor Prior Treasurer Secretary Master of Ceremonies Hospitaler INDEX

Seneschal Standard Bearer Guard Sentinel

Sec. 2b - The Commander in Chief shall appoint a member of this Council of Deliberation as Grand Historian who shall keep a record of all events of historical significance and report thereon to this Council annually.

Sec. 3 - In case of vacancy in any office, by death, removal from the jurisdiction or otherwise, or failure to elect officers in this Council, the Illustrious Commander in Chief may make appointments to be in force until the next annual meeting.

Sec. 4 - Each officer of this Council shall perform the duties customarily incident to his office in accordance with Masonic usage and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to him by resolution of this Council or by the Illustrious Commander in Chief.

Sec. 5 - The officers shall be installed at the annual meeting or as soon thereafter as practicable.

Sec. 6 - Scottish Rite Bodies in this State may elect members of the Rite in good standing in the Northern Jurisdiction as Honorary Members under such rules and regulations as their By-Laws may prescribe; provided, however, that no member of a Valley may be elected an Honorary member of the Valley in which he is a member.

Sec. 7 - Semi-Public Installation of the Officers of Scottish Rite Bodies in this State is permitted.

Sec. 8 - A personal contact shall be made with each resident Connecticut member of the Scottish Rite before he can be suspended or dropped from membership for non-payment of dues and assessments. The Thrice Potent Master of each Valley shall be responsible for the personal contact in his Valley, and a report shall be made available to the Secretary of the Valley, The Secretary shall retain the report for future reference and the records.

Sec. 9a - This Council of Deliberation authorizes the holding of dual memberships for members of the Scottish Rite in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction.

Sec. 9b - A member of the Rite holding membership in a Valley outside of this State may apply for dual membership in a Valley in this state provided dual membership is permitted in the state of his membership, or a waiver of jurisdiction is obtained.

Sec. 9c - A dual member shall be required to pay the customary dues of the bodies, which he joins, but no fee becoming a dual member shall be charged.

#### ARTICLE IV

#### Standing Committees

Sec. 1 - At the close of each annual meeting, the Illustrious Commander in Chief, or in his absence the presiding officer, shall appoint the following Standing Committees to Continue in office until a new Committee be appointed:

Committee on Business

Committee on Credentials

Committee on. Dispensations and Charters

Committee on Finance

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Committee on Meritorious Service Award

Committee on Necrology

Committee on Next Place of Meeting

Committee on Nominations

Committee on Rules and Regulations

Committee on State of the Rite

Committee on Insurance

Sec. 2 - The Committee on Business shall review the address of the Illustrious Commander in Chief and shall make recommendations regarding the apportionment and disposition of the several parts of the Address.

Sec. 3 - The Committee on Credentials shall pass on the qualifications of every person presenting himself for attendance at each annual or special meeting of this Council and to report thereon at such meeting.

Sec. 4 - The Committee on Dispensations and Charters shall investigate every application for a dispensation or charter and make a written recommendations thereon to this Council.

Sec. 5 - The Committee on Finance shall audit the books and accounts of the Secretary, Treasurer and Hospitaler and make a written report thereon at the annual meeting of this Council. It shall prepare and present a budget of estimated receipts and expenditures for the ensuing year.

Sec. 6 - The Committee on Meritorious Service Award shall consist of five members of the Supreme Council, one from each of the five Valleys in the State. It shall be the duty of this committee to receive and consider the nominations from the various Valleys and to make recommendations to this Council, at each annual meeting thereof, of members of the Rite in this state to receive the Meritorious Service Award.

Sec. 7 - The Committee on Necrology shall report at each meeting of this Council the names, degrees, titles and date of death, of all members of the Supreme Council in this State dying during the preceding year, together with similar data on such other outstanding Masonic leaders as it may deem proper.

Sec. 8 - The Committee on Next Place of Meeting shall recommend at each annual meeting of this Council a place for subsequent annual meeting or meetings of this Council.

Sec. 9 - The Committee on Nominations shall consist of the members of the Supreme Council accredited to this State. It shall be the duty of such Committee to nominate candidate for election to the offices of this Council at each meeting place.

Sec. 10 - The Committee on Rules and Regulations shall consider all matters pertaining to the laws, rules, regulations and jurisprudence referred to it by the Deputy or by this Council and shall make recommendations thereon.

Sec. 11 - The Committee on State of the Rite shall consider throughout the year all matters pertaining to the State of the Rite in this State, make recommendations to the Deputy from time to time, and it shall make a written report to this Council at each annual meeting.

Sec. 12 - The Committee on Insurance shall consist of three members who shall administer all insurance and related matters pertaining to the Scottish Rite Bodies in the State of Connecticut.

### ARTICLE V

#### Finances

Sec. I - The Secretary of each body of the Rite in this State shall, annually, at least seven days prior to the annual meeting forward to the Secretary of the Council of Deliberation a detailed statement of the proceeding year's work and a remittance of the per capita tax of one dollar (\$1.00) per each member (as amended 8/15/07) on it roll of membership as of May 31st.

Sec. 2 - This Council at any annual or special meeting may vote assessments on the Bodies of the Rite in this State as this Council shall deem proper, provided, however, that every such additional assessment shall be designated for some particular purpose and shall be used only for that purpose.

Sec. 3 - The fiscal year of this Council shall begin on the first day of August in each year and shall end on the 31st. day of July in the next succeeding year.

Sec. 4 - No money shall be drawn on the Treasurer except upon a warrant signed by the Secretary, countersigned by the Illustrious Commander in Chief, and issued in payment of an appropriation or in accordance with an order previously made by this Council.

Sec. 5 - The Secretary, Treasurer, and Hospitaler of this Council of Deliberation shall be bonded in such manner and in such amount as shall be determined by resolution of the Council, or in default of such determination then determined by the Deputy, the premium on such bonds to be paid by this Council.

#### ARTICLE VI

#### Jurisdiction of Valleys

Sec. 1 - Each Valley in this State shall have concurrent jurisdiction within the State of Connecticut.

### ARTICLE VII

#### Meritorious Service Award

Sec. 1a - An award to be known as the "Illustrious Arthur M. Brown, 33°,

Meritorious Service Award" is hereby established for the State of Connecticut. It shall be conferred upon Scottish Rite Masons who, by reason of meritorious services of a Masonic character, are worthy and should be so cited.

Sec. 1b - The Award shall consist of a jewel in memory of the late Deputy for this State, III. Arthur M. Brown,  $33^{\circ}$ .

Sec 1c - The recipients must have received the grade of Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret.

Sec. 1d -The award shall be limited to one member for each 1000 members per Valley, with no Valley entitled to less than one each year provided the Valley is in good standing. (N.B. Constitutional limitation not to exceed one per body in each Valley.) (Art. 901-d).

Sec. 2 - The following procedure shall be followed by this Council relative to selecting those who are to receive such awards and in presenting the awards to those selected. **INDEX** 

Sec. 2a - The presiding officers of the Bodies of the Rite in the State shall present recommendations in writing to the Council of Deliberation, nominating the member or members of their Bodies whom they feel should receive the award. No presiding officer is eligible to receive this award while he is involved in the nominating process.

Sec. 2b - Such nominations shall be referred to the Standing Committee on Meritorious Service Award at least one month prior to the annual meeting of this Council, except that by unanimous consent of this Council nominations may be referred to the Committee at the annual meting for consideration at that annual meeting.

Sec. 2c -The Committee on Meritorious Service Award shall consider the nominations referred to it from the various Valleys and shall make recommendations to this Council, at each annual meeting thereof, of members of the Rite in this State to receive the Meritorious Service Award.

Sec. 3 -The presentation of the award and insignia shall be made by the Deputy, or someone selected by him. Such presentation shall be made either in the Valley in which the recipient is a member or at a meeting of the Council of Deliberation, as the Deputy may determine.

Sec. 4 - The jewel shall consist of an ornamented gold bar, one and a half inches long, with the words "Connecticut Council of Deliberation" in gold letters set in red enamel. A second gold bar, one and a quarter inches long, is suspended from the first bar by five gold links. On this bar shall be the words "Ill. Arthur M. Brown, 33°, Meritorious Service Award" in gold letters set in red enamel. A double headed eagle, emblem of the Thirty-Second Degree is suspended from this second bar by three gold links. The figures "32" are of gold set in a triangle of black

enamel. The height of the jewel shall be two and three-quarters inches.

#### ARTICLE VIII

#### Amendments

Sec. I - By Amendment of Supreme Council Constitutions, etc. Upon amendment of the constitutions and Regulations of the Supreme Council of Sovereign Grand Inspectors General of the Thirty-third and last degree of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America, or upon the promulgation or any decree of said Supreme Council, inconsistent with any provision of these Rules and Regulations, then in every such event, and without any further act or deed whatsoever, these Rules and Regulations shall be deemed to be and shall be automatically amended in conformity therewith.

Sec. 2 - By Council of Deliberation, these Rules and Regulations may be amended at any annual meeting of this Council by a majority vote of the members present, provided the proposed amendment or amendments have been presented at the proceeding annual meeting, and due notice thereof shall have been given to the members and provided, further, that an amendment or amendments may be adopted at the annual meeting at which it is presented, by a two-thirds vote of the members present, thirty (30) days notice of the proposed amendment or amendments having been given to the members.

Sec. 3 - All By-Laws, Rules and Regulations previously adopted by this Council are hereby rescinded.

# **Connecticut Council of Deliberation**

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