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COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION



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SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY

Via ZOOM Meeting

2020

SUPREME COUNCIL
OF THE ANCIENT ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE
FOR THE NORTHERN MASONIC JURISDICTION
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

NEW HAMPSHIRE
COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION

97th CONVOCATION HELD ONLINE
VIA ZOOM MEETING, JUNE 6, 2020



And Winter Workshop Held At
Concord, NH, February 8, 2020

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III.: David A. Glattly, 33°

Elected August 26, 2017

Sovereign Grand Commander

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



III.: Mark C. Roth, 33°

Deputy for New Hampshire

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Ill.: Richard W. Elliot, 33°
Active Member, Past Deputy
and Grand Minister of State



Ill.: Kenneth A. Clay, Jr., 33°
Active Member



Ill.: Robert E. Hansen, 33°
Active Emeritus Member
Past Deputy and Holder of
Supreme Council Medal of Honor

New Hampshire Deputy's Representatives



III.: Alan D. Lugg, 33°
Valley of Concord



III.: William E. Larson, 33°
Valley of Keene



III.: Ronald N Crane, 33°
Valley of Lancaster-Littleton



III.: Karl H. Bickford, III, 33°, M.S.A.
Valley of Nashua

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- III.: Richard W. Elliot, 33° First Lieutenant Commander
- III.: Roger W. Gaskill, 33°, M.S.A. Second Lieutenant Commander
- III.: Robert W. Heald, 33°, M.S.A. Minister of State
- III.: Jeremy J. Sawyer, 33° Chancellor
- III.: Kenneth A. Clay, Jr., 33° Prior
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- III.: Robert M. Porter, 33° Secretary
- III.: Roger W. Gaskill, 33°, M.S.A. Secretary, Emeritus
- III.: John F. Gordon, 33° Master of Ceremonies
- III.: James M. Triacca, 33°, M.S.A. Hospitaler
- III.: Richard F. Doble, 33°, M.S.A. Seneschal
- III.: Dennis A. Sheridan, 33°, M.S.A. Standard Bearer
- III.: Robert G. Bianchi, 33° Captain of the Guard
- III.: Ronald N. Crane, 33° Sentinel
- III.: Robert D. Coppo, 33°, M.S.A. Organist

ACTIVE MEMBERS OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL

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| III.: Mark Clayton Roth, 33°
(Active Member: August 30, 2005; Deputy: August 20, 2013) | Concord | Sept. 29, 1998 |
| III.: Richard Wayne Elliot, 33°
(Active Member: September 21, 2003 and August 20, 2013; Deputy: August 30, 2005;
Grand Marshal General: August 25, 2009—August 30, 2011; Grand Treasurer General:
August 30, 2011—August 24, 2018; Grand Minister of State: August 24, 2018—Present) | Portsmouth—Dover | Sept. 26, 2000 |
| III.: Robert Edward Hansen, 33°
(Active Member: September 1, 1993; Deputy: September 28, 1999; Active Emeritus
Member: August 30, 2005) | Concord | Sept. 28, 1983 |

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HONORARY MEMBERS OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL, 33°

	<i>Valley of</i>	<i>Received 33°</i>
III.: Davis Peabody Thurber, 33°	Nashua	Sept. 27, 1972
III.: Roger Warren Gaskill, 33°, M.S.A.	Nashua	Sept. 26, 1973
III.: George Dixon Van Dyke, 33°, M.S.A.	Nashua	Sept. 28, 1977
III.: David James Bailey, Jr., 33°, M.S.A.	Keene	Sept. 25, 1985
III.: John Fitz Gordon, 33°	Portsmouth-Dover	Sept. 30, 1987
III.: Louis Leroy Dow, 33°, M.S.A.	Portsmouth-Dover	Sept. 25, 1990
III.: George Edward McAvoy, 33°	Lancaster-Littleton	Sept. 24, 1991
III.: Richard Frank Doble, 33°, M.S.A.	Keene	Sept. 29, 1992
III.: Lennox Bursley Henderson, II, 33°	Portsmouth-Dover	Aug. 31, 1993
III.: Thomas James Desalvo, 33°, M.S.A.	Concord	Sept. 27, 1994
III.: Clement Wayne Libby, Jr., 33°, M.S.A.	Nashua	Sept. 27, 1994
III.: Eric Eneberg Anderson, 33°, M.S.A.	Keene	Sept. 27, 1994
III.: Dennis Allan Sheridan, 33°, M.S.A.	Lancaster-Littleton	Oct. 03, 1995
III.: Robert DeYoung Steel, 33°	Lancaster-Littleton	Sept. 29, 1998
III.: Richard Edson Melvin, 33°, M.S.A.	Concord	Sept. 28, 1999
III.: Roger Joseph Pellerin, 33°, M.S.A.	Nashua	Sept. 28, 1999
III.: Aldine Jack Tillotson, 33°, M.S.A.	Lancaster-Littleton	Sept. 26, 2000
III.: Jeremy Jason Sawyer, 33°	Portsmouth-Dover	Sept. 25, 2001
III.: Stephen Allen Whitney, 33°	Lancaster-Littleton	Sept. 25, 2001
III.: Roger Melvin Clark, 33°	Portsmouth-Dover	Sept. 03, 2002
III.: Herbert James Howard, 33°	Keene	Sept. 03, 2002
III.: Sumner Goldman, 33°, M.S.A.	Concord	Sept. 23, 2003
III.: George Kendall Bemis, Jr., 33°	Keene	Sept. 21, 2004
III.: Brian James Smith, 33°	Nashua	Aug. 30, 2005
III.: Robert Glenn Bianchi, 33°	Nashua	Aug. 29, 2006
III.: Robert Campbell Lethbridge, 33°, MSA	Concord	Aug. 29, 2006
III.: Walter William (Joe) Lovell, 33°, M.S.A.	Portsmouth-Dover	Aug. 29, 2006
III.: Brent William Washburn, 33°	Concord	Aug. 28, 2007
III.: Ronald Jeffrey Brown, 33°	Portsmouth-Dover	Aug. 28, 2007
III.: Ronald Edgar Metcalf, 33°, M.S.A.	Portsmouth-Dover	Aug. 28, 2007
III.: Edward Norval Lewis, 33°, M.S.A.	Concord	Aug. 26, 2008
III.: Panos Alexander Pitsas, 33°, M.S.A.	Keene	Aug. 26, 2008
III.: Robert Wayne Lawrie, 33°, M.S.A.	Concord	Aug. 25, 2009
III.: Thomas Stewart Lowe, 33°	Nashua	Aug. 25, 2009
III.: Mark Adrian Weir, 33°, M.S.A.	Portsmouth-Dover	Aug. 25, 2009
III.: Robert Daniel Coppo, 33°, M.S.A.	Keene	Aug. 31, 2010
III.: Stephen Karl Bahsler, 33°, M.S.A.	Nashua	Aug. 31, 2010
III.: Roger Frederick Retzke, 33°	Portsmouth-Dover	Aug. 31, 2010
III.: Kenneth Ansel Clay, Jr., 33°	Concord	Aug. 31, 2010

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	<i>Valley of</i>	<i>Received 33°</i>
III.: Stewart Lee Aronson, 33°	Portsmouth-Dover	Aug. 30, 2011
III.: Karl Hudson Bickford, III, 33°, M.S.A.	Nashua	Aug. 30, 2011
III.: Paul Michael Leary, 33°	Concord	Aug. 30, 2011
III.: Gary Edward Roy, 33°, M.S.A.	Concord	Aug. 30, 2011
III.: Treffley Ernie Sage, 33°, M.S.A.	Nashua	Aug. 30, 2011
III.: Ronald Nelson Crane, 33°	Lancaster-Littleton	Aug. 28, 2012
III.: Robert Graham Hatfield, 33°	Concord	Aug. 28, 2012
III.: Alan Douglas Lugg, 33°	Concord	Aug. 28, 2012
III.: Nicholas Corey Martel, 33°	Keene	Aug. 28, 2012
III.: Roger Alfred Becker, 33°, M.S.A.	Concord	Aug. 20, 2013
III.: William Edward Larson, 33°	Keene	Aug. 20, 2013
III.: John Everett Lobdell, 33°	Portsmouth-Dover	Aug. 20, 2013
III.: Robert Macdonald Porter, 33°	Nashua	Aug. 20, 2013
III.: Jeffrey Lloyd Brown, 33°, M.S.A.	Portsmouth-Dover	Aug. 25, 2015
III.: Wayne Irvin Elliot, 33°, M.S.A.	Portsmouth-Dover	Aug. 25, 2015
III.: Larry David Gullett, 33°	Nashua	Aug. 25, 2015
III.: Dennis Webster, 33°, M.S.A.	Nashua	Aug. 25, 2015
III.: Wendell Lear Woodward, 33°	Lancaster-Littleton	Aug. 25, 2015
III.: Russell Sheldon Bell, 33°	Concord	Aug. 29, 2017
III.: David Scott Collins, 33°	Lancaster-Littleton	Aug. 29, 2017
III.: Donald Leopold Mendzela, 33°	Nashua	Aug. 29, 2017
III.: Jerome Thomas Becker, 33°, M.S.A.	Nashua	Aug. 27, 2019
III.: Jeffrey Maxie Brown, 33°	Portsmouth-Dover	Aug. 27, 2019
III.: Troy Anthony Patoine, 33°	Concord	Aug. 27, 2019
III.: James Martin Triacca, 33°, M.S.A.	Concord	Aug. 27, 2019

HONORARY MEMBERS OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL, 33° In New Hampshire from other states in the Northern Jurisdiction

	<i>Valley of</i>	<i>Received 33°</i>
III.: Allan M. Zecchini, 33°	Nashua	Aug. 30, 2005

HONORARY MEMBERS OF THE SOUTHERN JURISDICTION SUPREME COUNCIL, 33°

	<i>Valley of</i>	<i>Received 33°</i>
III.: Andrew F. Hirst, 33°	Portsmouth-Dover	Oct. 5, 2007

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Past Officers in New Hampshire

PAST COMMANDERS-IN-CHIEF OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CONSISTORY

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| III.: George D. Van Dyke, 33°, M.S.A. | III.: G. Kendall Bemis, Jr., 33° |
| III.: Robert E. Hansen, 33° | III.: Robert G. Bianchi, 33° |
| III.: Richard F. Doble, 33°, M.S.A. | III.: C. Wayne Libby, Jr., 33°, M.S.A. |
| III.: Eric E. Anderson, 33°, M.S.A. | III.: Kenneth A. Clay, Jr., 33° |
| III.: Lennox B. Henderson, II, 33° | III.: Brian J. Smith, 33° |
| III.: Richard W. Elliot, 33° | III.: William E. Larson, 33° |
| III.: John F. Gordon, 33° | |

PAST MOST WISE MASTERS OF ST. GEORGE CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX OF NASHUA

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| III.: Davis P. Thurber, 33° | Bro. Donald L. Mendzela, 32° |
| III.: George D. Van Dyke, 33°, M.S.A. | III.: Stephen K. Bahsler, 33°, M.S.A. |
| III.: Eric E. Anderson, 33°, M.S.A. | III.: Brian J. Smith, 33° |
| III.: Karl H. Bickford, III, 33°, M.S.A. | III.: Robert G. Bianchi, 33° |
| III.: C. Wayne Libby, Jr., 33°, M.S.A. | Bro. Jerome T. Becker, 32°, M.S.A. |
| III.: Thomas S. Lowe, 33° | III.: Robert M. Porter, 33° |

PAST MOST WISE MASTERS OF NEW HAMPSHIRE CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX OF PORTSMOUTH-DOVER

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| III.: Ronald E. Metcalf, 33°, M.S.A. | Bro. Peter N. Vatisstas, 32° |
| III.: Richard W. Elliot, 33° | III.: Roger F. Retzke, 33° |
| III.: John F. Gordon, 33° | III.: Ronald J. Brown, 33° |
| III.: Roger M. Clark, 33° | III.: Stewart L. Aronson, 33° |
| III.: Jeremy J. Sawyer, 33° | III.: John E. Lobdell, 33° |
| Bro. James E. Ryan, 32°, M.S.A. | Bro. Jonathan A. Austin, 32° |
| Bro. Richard W. Ingram, 32° | |

PAST MOST WISE MASTERS OF ACACIA CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX OF CONCORD

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| III.: Robert C. Lethbridge, 33°, M.S.A. | III.: Gary E. Roy, 33°, M.S.A. |
| III.: Robert E. Hansen, 33° | III.: Alan D. Lugg, 33° |
| III.: Thomas J. Desalvo, 33°, M.S.A. | Bro. James M. Triacca, 32°, M.S.A. |
| Bro. Russell S. Bell, 32°, M.S.A. | Bro. Kenneth E. Davis, Jr., 32°, M.S.A. |
| III.: Mark C. Roth, 33° | Bro. Scott R. Borthwick, 32° |
| Bro. Gerald C. McHugh, Sr., 32° | Bro. Allen S. Wright, 32° |
| III.: Brent W. Washburn, 33° | Bro. Donald w. Milbrand Jr., 32° |
| Bro. Robert S. Hansen, 32° | |

PAST MOST WISE MASTERS OF LITTLETON CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX OF LANCASTER-LITTLETON

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| III.: George E. McAvoy, 33° | Bro. David S. Collins, 32°, M.S.A. |
| III.: Dennis A. Sheridan, 33°, M.S.A. | Bro. John A. Loven, 32° |
| III.: Stephen A. Whitney, 33° | Bro. David A. Rich, 32° |
| III.: Robert D. Steel, 33° | Bro. Mark H. Blodgett, 32° |
| Bro. Dale R. Cormier, 32° | |
| III.: Ronald N. Crane, 33° | |

PAST SOVEREIGN PRINCES OF
JOHN CHRISTIE COUNCIL, PRINCES OF JERUSALEM OF PORTSMOUTH-DOVER

III.: John F. Gordon, 33°	Bro. Paul S. Cuetara, 32°
Bro. Paul G. Brown, 32°	Bro. Ralph R. Currier, Jr., 32°, M.S.A.
Bro. Richard W. Ingram, 32°	Bro. Paul M. Kelley, 32°
III.: Ronald J. Brown, 33°	Bro. Jeffrey M. Brown, 32°
III.: Roger M. Clark, 33°	III.: Bro., Jeffrey L. Brown, 33° M.S.A.
III.: Walter W. Lovell, 33°, M.S.A.	
Bro. Richard H. Dewing, 32°	

PAST SOVEREIGN PRINCES OF
ORIENTAL COUNCIL, PRINCES OF JERUSALEM OF NASHUA

III.: Roger W. Gaskill, 33°, M.S.A.	III.: Larry D. Gullett, 33°
Bro. Herbert H. Hutchinson, 32°	Bro. Guy R. Martineau, 32°
III.: Karl H. Bickford, III, 33°, M.S.A.	III.: Robert M. Porter, 33°
Bro. Donald L. Mendzela, 32°	Bro. William W. Arvidson, 32°, M.S.A.
Bro. Thomas E. Brison, 32°	III.: Dennis Webster, 33°, M.S.A.
III.: C. Wayne Libby, Jr., 33°, M.S.A.	Bro. David W. Smith, 32°
III.: Stephen K. Bahsler, 33°, M.S.A.	III.: Jerome T. Becker, 33°, M.S.A.,

PAST SOVEREIGN PRINCES OF
ARIAL COUNCIL, PRINCES OF JERUSALEM OF CONCORD

III.: Thomas J. Desalvo, 33°, M.S.A.	III.: Robert C. Lethbridge, 33°, M.S.A.
III.: Robert W. Lawrie, 33°, M.S.A.	III.: Gary E. Roy, 33°, M.S.A.
III.: Sumner Goldman, 33°, M.S.A.	Bro. Michael F. Ripberger, 32°, M.S.A.
Bro. Arnold B. Dunn, Jr., 32°	Bro. Karl R. Olson, 32°
Bro. Allen S. Wright, 32°	III.: Alan D. Lugg, 33°
Bro. James M. Triacca, 32°, M.S.A.	

PAST SOVEREIGN PRINCES OF
WASHINGTON COUNCIL, PRINCES OF JERUSALEM OF LANCASTER-LITTLETON

III.: George E. McAvoy, 33°	Bro. David E. Lewis, 32°, M.S.A.
III.: Stephen A. Whitney, 33°	Bro. Mark H. Blodgett, 32°
III.: Dennis A. Sheridan, 33°, M.S.A.	Bro. Timothy D. LaPointe, 32°
III.: Robert D. Steel, 33°	Bro. David A. Rich, 32°
III.: Ronald N. Crane, 33°	

PAST SOVEREIGN PRINCES OF
KEENE COUNCIL, PRINCES OF JERUSALEM OF KEENE

III.: David J. Bailey, Jr., 33°, M.S.A.	III.: G. Kendall Bemis, Jr., 33°
III.: Richard F. Doble, 33°, M.S.A.	Bro. David Kinson, 32°
III.: Herbert J. Howard, 33°	III.: William E. Larson, 33°
III.: Eric E. Anderson, 33°, M.S.A.	Bro. Thomas L. Rittenhouse, 32°
Bro. Mark F. Busch, 32°	Bro. Roger E. Martin, 32°
Bro. John M. Bys, 32°, M.S.A.	
III.: Nicholas C. Martel, 33°	

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PAST THRICE POTENT MASTERS INEFFABLE LODGE OF PERFECTION OF PORTSMOUTH-DONVER

Ill.: John F. Gordon, 33°	.Bro. Mark A. Patschke, 32°
Bro. John H. Sanders, Jr., 32°	Bro. Joseph L. Kenick, Jr., 32°
Ill.: Lennox B. Henderson, II, 33°	Ill.: Jeffrey L. Brown, 33°, M.S.A.
Ill.: Roger M. Clark, 33°	Bro. Paul G. Brown, 32°
Ill.: Andrew F. Hirst, 33°, S.M.J.	Bro. Paul T. Sullivan, 32°
Bro. Brian R. Sanderson, 32°	Bro. Jeffrey M. Brown, 32°
Ill.: Walter W. Lovell, 33°, M.S.A.	Ill.: , Jeffrey L. Brown, 33°, M.S.A.
Bro. Donald R. Willoughby, 32°, M.S.A	Bro. Kaleb R. Brown, 32°

PAST THRICE POTENT MASTERS AARON P. HUGHES LODGE OF PERFECTION OF NASHUA

Bro. Willard R. Lemaire, 32°	Bro. Robert S. Bean, III, 32°, M.S.A.
Ill.: Stephen K. Bahsler, 33°, M.S.A.	Bro. John W. Jackson, 32°
Ill.: C. Wayne Libby, Jr., 33°, M.S.A.	Bro. Richard J. Thompson, 32°, M.S.A.
Bro. Gerald L. Valcourt, Jr., 32°	Bro. Pascal H. Corbinand, 32°
Ill.: Brian J. Smith, 33°	Bro. Roland N. Petersen, 32°, M.S.A.
Ill.: Robert G. Bianchi, 33°	

PAST THRICE POTENT MASTERS ALPHA LODGE OF PERFECTION OF CONCORD

Ill.: Robert E. Hansen, 33°	Ill.: Gary E. Roy, 33°, M.S.A.
Ill.: Robert C. Lethbridge, 33°, M.S.A.	Ill.: Alan D. Lugg, 33°
Ill.: Mark C. Roth, 33°	Bro. James M. Triacca, 32°, M.S.A.
Ill.: Brent W. Washburn, 33°	Bro. Kenneth E. Davis, Jr., 32°, M.S.A.
Ill.: Thomas J. Desalvo, 33°, M.S.A.	Bro. Scott R. Borthwick, 32°
Bro. Russell S. Bell, 32°, M.S.A.	Bro. Allen S. Wright, 32°
Bro. Robert S. Hansen, 32°	Bro. Troy A. Patoine, 32°

PAST THRICE POTENT MASTERS NORTH STAR LODGE OF PERFECTION OF LANCASTER-LITTLETON

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Ill.: Aldine J. Tillotson, 33°, M.S.A.	Ill.: Ronald N. Crane, 33°
Ill.: Dennis A. Sheridan, 33°, M.S.A.	Bro. David S. Collins, 32°, M.S.A.
Ill.: George E. McAvoy, 33°	Bro. David A. Rich, 32°, M.S.A.
Ill.: Stephen A. Whitney, 33°	Bro. John A. Loven 32°
Ill.: Robert D. Steel, 33°	

PAST THRICE POTENT MASTERS KEENE LODGE OF PERFECTION OF KEENE

Ill.: David J. Bailey, Jr., 33°, M.S.A.	Ill.: G. Kendall Bemis, Jr., 33°
Ill.: Richard F. Doble, 33°, M.S.A.	Bro. Jeffrey M. Lessels, 32°
Ill.: Herbert J. Howard, 33°	Bro. John F. Bemis, 32°
Ill.: Eric E. Anderson, 33°, M.S.A.	Ill.: William E. Larson, 33°
Ill.: Philip H. White, 33°	Ill.: Nicholas C. Martel, 33°
Ill.: Panos A. Pitsas, 33°, M.S.A.	Bro. John M. Bys, 32°, M.S.A.

PRESIDING OFFICERS

New Hampshire Consistory, S.:P.:R.:S.: 32°, Nashua

III.: Jeffrey L. Brown, 33°, M.S.A., Commander-in-Chief	Hooksett
III.: Gary E. Roy, 33°, M.S.A., First Lieutenant Commander	Boscawen
III.: Donald Mendzela, 33°, Second Lieutenant Commander	Manchester

St. George Chapter of Rose Croix, Nashua

Bro. Robert S. Bean, III, 32°, Most Wise Master	Pelham
Bro. David W. Smith, 32°, Senior Warden	Weare
Bro. Roland Petersen, 32° M.S.A., Junior Warden	Nashua

New Hampshire Chapter of Rose Croix, Portsmouth-Dover

Bro. Kaleb R. Brown, 32°, Most Wise Master	Seabrook
Vacant, Senior Warden	
Vacant, Junior Warden	

Acacia Chapter of Rose Croix, Concord

Bro. Larry A. Sprague, 32°, Most Wise Master	Woodstock, VT
Bro. Mark D. Ciarametaro, 32°, Senior Warden	Boscawen
Bro. Gary A. Ward, Junior Warden	Plainfield

Littleton Chapter of Rose Croix, Littleton

Bro. David A. Rich, 32°, Most Wise Master	Berlin
Bro. Lance E. Miller, 32°, Senior Warden	Brunswick VT
Bro. John A. Loven, 32°, Junior Warden	Gorham

John Christie Council, Princes of Jerusalem, Portsmouth-Dover

Bro. John Bartoszak, Sovereign Prince	Rochester
Vacant, High Priest	
Vacant, Senior Warden	

Oriental Council, Princes of Jerusalem, Nashua

Bro. Paul G. Bielawski, 32°, Sovereign Prince	Hudson
Bro. Michael J. Tebbetts, 32°, High Priest	Nashua
Bro. Richard J. Thompson, 32°, M.S.A., Senior Warden	Nashua

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Ariel Council, Princes of Jerusalem, Concord

Bro. Scott R. Borthwick, 32°, Sovereign Prince	Canaan
Bro. Larry A. Sprague, 32°, High Priest	Woodstock VT
Bro. Michael Cramer, 32° Senior Warden	George Mills

Washington Council, Princes of Jerusalem, Littleton

Bro. John A. Loven, 32°, Sovereign Prince	Gorham
III.: David S. Collins 33°, M.S.A., High Priest	Concord
Bro. Lance E. Miller, 32°, Senior Warden	Brunswick, VT

Keene Council, Princes of Jerusalem, Keene

Bro. Fred W. Yates, 32°, Sovereign Prince	Westminster, VT
Bro. David P Galluccio, 32°, High Priest	Keene
Bro. Michael D. Huse, 32°, Senior Warden	Claremont

Ineffable Lodge of Perfection, Portsmouth

Bro. Jonathan A. Austin, 32°, Thrice Potent Master	Berwick, ME
Vacant, Deputy Master	
Vacant, Senior Warden	

Aaron P. Hughes Lodge of Perfection, Nashua

Bro. Adam J. Freiband, 32°, Thrice Potent Master	Chelmsford, MA
III.: Jerome T. Becker, 33°, M.S.A., Deputy Master	Candia
Bro. David W. Smith, 32°, M.S.A., Senior Warden	Weare

Alpha Lodge of Perfection, Concord

Bro. James M. Triacca, 32°, M.S.A., Thrice Potent Master	Concord
Bro. Dennis A. Tuttle, Jr., 32°, Deputy Master	Northwood
Bro. Troy A. Patoine, 32°, Senior Warden	Concord

North Star Lodge of Perfection, Lancaster

Bro. Mark H. Blodgett, 32°, , Thrice Potent Master	Bethlehem
Bro. Lance E. Miller, 32°, Deputy Master	Brunswick, VT
Bro. John A. Loven, 32°, Senior Warden	Gorham

Keene Lodge of Perfection, Keene

Bro. Thomas L. Rittenhouse, 32°, Thrice Potent Master	Jaffrey
Bro. Fred W. Yates, 32°, Deputy Master	Westminster, VT
Bro. David P Galluccio, 32°, Senior Warden	Keene

New Hampshire Council of Deliberation
Winter Workshop
Concord, NH
Saturday, February 8, 2020

The New Hampshire Council of Deliberation Winter Workshop was convened, according to notice duly issued, at the Masonic Temple, 53 Iron Works Rd, Concord, New Hampshire, on

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2020
at 9:00 o'clock, am

for the purpose of training and development of the officers and members of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite in the State of New Hampshire. Illustrious Mark C. Roth, 33°, Deputy for New Hampshire, and Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, presided.

There were 60 people in attendance; 40 members of NH Council of Deliberation, 2 additional Scottish Rite Masons from New Hampshire, 1 from Pennsylvania, Ill.: William G. Basso, II, 33°, Active for Vermont, Brother Kenneth E. Curtis, 32°, Deputy's Representative for Rutland, VT, 12 of their ladies attending the ladies' program arranged by Karla Roth, Janice Severance, the presenter of the ladies' program, and Sunny Mulligan Shea and Bryan J. Townsend, II, from the New Hampshire Department of Justice as the guest speakers.

Following registration, the brethren gathered in the Lodge room, while the ladies joined Janice Severance, a Certified Personal Image and Color Consultant who spoke about the "four seasons of color" as it related to their current hair, skin, and eye coloring.

A list of Scottish Rite members in attendance is on page 20.

Introductions

Ill.: Mark C. Roth, 33°, introduced M.:W.: and Ill.: Kenneth A.

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Clay, Jr., Grand Master of the State of New Hampshire.

Sickness and Distress

The Deputy asked for news of Brethren who were sick or in distress. Cards were made available for those present to sign and be mailed.

Guest Speakers

Ill.: Bro. Roth introduced Sunny Mulligan Shea, Victim Witness Advocate, and Bryan J. Townsend, II, Assistant Attorney General, of the Elder Abuse and Exploitation Unit at the New Hampshire Department of Justice,

Ms. Shea gave an informative presentation on the current trends in scams, particularly those that have targeted the elderly, what to be aware of, as well as how to protect oneself, and who to contact if victimized.

The presentation was followed with a vigorous question-and-answer period, with additional examples of what members had experienced, and advice from both Ms. Shea and Mr. Townsend.

Following the presentation, Ill.: Bro. Roth thanked both speakers for taking time to share information with the New Hampshire Council of Deliberation.

Multi-Generations Video

Ill.: Bro. Elliot introduced a motivational video of John Dorsey, who gave an enthusiastic and engaging presentation on the differences in how to communicate and engage members of each generation.

Supreme Council Resources

Ill.: Brothers Elliot and Clay gave a presentation on resources available through the Supreme Council website. By logging into the *Member Center*, members have access to a number of items, including having a card sent to another brother (get-well,

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congratulations, or for encouragement), access to the Hauts Grades Academy, blog posts, and of special note for Valley officers, material on best practices, and the Supreme Council *Leadership Resource Center*. Ill.: Bro. Clay continued the presentation discussing the importance of communication.

Visitors

Ill.: Bro. Roth welcomed Ill.: Bro. William G. Basso, II, Active Member for Vermont, inviting him to speak and to introduce Bro. Kenneth E. Curtis, Deputy's Representative for Rutland, VT.

Scholarships

Ill.: Karl H. Bickford, III, Chairman of the Scholarship Committee, announced that Supreme Council had set aside \$8,800 for Abbott Scholarships again this year. The deadline for submitting scholarship applications to each Valley Secretary is April 1.

MSA Nominations

The Deputy called on Ill.: Richard W. Elliot, Active for NH, who announced that the MSA nomination packets are available. He then distributed them to the Valleys and the Commander-in-Chief. Nominations are due no later than April 15.

NH COD Annual Meeting

The Deputy reminded all that this year's Annual meeting of New Hampshire Council of Deliberation this year will be on Saturday, June 6 at the Masonic Temple in Nashua.

Closing Remarks

Ill.: Bro. Roth then called upon M.:W.: and Ill.: Bro. Kenneth A. Clay, Jr., Grand Master of Masons in NH for his closing remarks. After he had spoken, there being no other business, a closing prayer and grace was given by the Prior, Ill.: Bro. Kenneth A. Clay, Jr.

The workshop was then closed at 12:10 p.m. Following the

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workshop, a pot roast dinner was served by the Rainbow Girls, who also supplied food for the ladies' program.

Additional details about the Council of Deliberation workshop may be found in the report of the Education and Leadership Development Committee on pages 71-73 of these proceedings.

BRETHREN IN ATTENDANCE

Verne S Anderson Jr.	Louis L Dow Sr.	John H Moore
Jonathan A Austin	Richard W Elliot	Wilmer J Nemchick
William G Basso II	John F Gordon	James S O'Donnell
Robert S Bean III	Larry D Gullett	Troy A Patoine
Jerome T Becker	Robert E Hansen	Panos A Pitsas
Karl H Bickford III	David K Horne	Robert M Porter
Jeffrey L Brown	Robert C Lethbridge	Roger F Retzke
Kaleb R Brown	Edward N Lewis	Mark C Roth
Ronald J Brown	C Wayne Libby Jr.	Gary E Roy
William D Brown	Walter W Lovell	David W Smith
William P Carter	Thomas S Lowe	Larry A Sprague
Kenneth A Clay Jr.	Alan D Lugg	Michael J Tebbetts
David Scott Collins	Roderick M MacDonald	Richard J Thompson
Kenneth E Curtis	Richard E Melvin	James M Triacca
Richard F Doble	Donald L Mendzela	Dennis Webster

New Hampshire Council of Deliberation

97th Annual Convocation

Via Zoom meeting

Saturday, June 6, 2020

The NINETY-SEVENTH CONVOCATION of New Hampshire Council of Deliberation was convened, according to notice duly issued, via a Zoom Meeting, on

SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2020

at 10:00 o'clock, am

for the transaction of business concerning the welfare of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite in the State of New Hampshire. Illustrious Mark C. Roth, 33°, Deputy for New Hampshire, and Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, presided.

The Council was called to order and opened in ample form by the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, with the following divine blessing invoked by the Prior, Ill.: Brother Kenneth A. Clay, Jr., 33°.

Invocation

“Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, who hast bound us together in fellowship and service, bless us we beseech Thee, this Council of Deliberation.

“We give Thee thanks for the noble traditions of our worldwide Fraternity, for the continuing inspirations of its ideals and for its service to mankind. Grant us insight, courage and sound judgment. Save us from the tyranny of the nonessential, from

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undue concern with what is trivial, and from the deadening pressure of routine.

“Keep us loyal to the principles and ideals of the Scottish Rite, and grant that with patience we may labor for peace in the world, and for brotherhood among all men.

“Amen.”

Following the Opening, the Pledge of Allegiance was given.

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

After which the Commander-in-Chief asked for any reports of sickness or distress. The following brethren were brought to the attention of those present:

MEMBERSHIP AND ATTENDEES

The Deputy then called upon the Secretary for his report of the membership.

The Secretary reported that the following was the current breakdown of members eligible to vote at the Convocation:

NEW HAMPSHIRE COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

MEMBERSHIP - JUNE 6, 2020

Those who have attained the 33rd Degree	67
Past Commanders-in-Chief (not previously counted)	0
Past Most Wise Masters of Rose Croix, Past Sovereign Princes of Jerusalem, Past Thrice Potent Masters of Perfection (not previously counted)	52
Recipients of the Meritorious Service Award (not previously counted)	11
Representatives of Subordinate Bodies (not previously counted)	12
Treasurers of Subordinate Bodies (not previously counted)	2
Secretaries of Subordinate Bodies (not previously counted)	1
Committee Chairmen (not previously counted)	1
Committee Members (not previously counted)	1
Total Membership	147

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The Deputy then asked the Credentials Committee for their report. The Committee reported that a majority of the bodies were represented, meeting the requirements to conduct business. There were present:

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief:

Your Committee on Credentials presents the following report:

Those who have attained the 33rd Degree	38
Past Commanders-in-Chief (not previously counted)	0
Past Most Wise Masters of Rose Croix, Past Sovereign Princes of Jerusalem, Past Thrice Potent Masters of Perfection (not previously counted)	10
Recipients of the Meritorious Service Award (not previously counted)	1
Representatives of Subordinate Bodies (not previously counted)	9
Treasurers of Subordinate Bodies (not previously counted)	0
Secretaries of Subordinate Bodies (not previously counted)	1
Committee Chairman (not previously counted)	0
Members (not previously counted)	1
Total Membership Present	60

Thirteen of the fifteen Scottish Rite bodies in the state are represented.

Jeffrey L. Brown, 33°, M.S.A., Chairman

Jeffrey M. Brown, 33°

C. Wayne Libby, Jr., 33°, M.S.A.

Robert M. Porter, 33°

James M. Triacca, 33°, M.S.A.

BRETHREN IN ATTENDANCE

2020 Attendance

Verne S. Anderson Jr., 32°, MSA
Stewart L. Aronson, 33°
John Bartoszak, 32°
Robert S. Bean, III, 32°, MSA
Jerome T. Becker, 33°, MSA
Roger Becker., 33°, MSA
Karl H. Bickford III, 33°, MSA
Paul G. Bielawski 32°
James F. Blake, Jr.,32°
Mark H. Blodgett 32°
Scott R. Borthwick, 32°
Jeffrey L. Brown, 33°, MSA
Jeffrey M. Brown, 33°
Robert D. Coppo 33°
Ronald N. Crane, 33°
Kenneth E. Davis 32°, MSA
Richard F. Doble, 33°, MSA
Richard W. Elliot, 33°
Adam J. Freiband 32°
John F. Gordon, 33°
Larry D. Gullett, 33°
Robert E. Hansen 33°
Lennox B. Henderson II, 33°
William E. Larson, 33°
Robert C. Lethbridge, 33°, MSA
Edward N. Lewis ,33°, MSA
C. Wayne Libby Jr., 33°, MSA
John E. Lobdell, 33°
Walter W. "Joe" Lovell, 33°, MSA
John A. Loven, 32°
Thomas S. Lowe, 33°
Alan D. Lugg, 33°
Nicholas C. Martel, 33°
Gerald C. McHugh, Sr. ,32°
Donald L. Mendzela, 33°

Lance E. Miller, 32°
James S. O'Donnell, 32°
Troy A .Patoine, 33°
Roland N. Petersen, 32°, MSA
Panos A Pitsas, 33°, MSA
Robert M. Porter, 33°
Roger F. Retzke, 33°
David A. Rich, 32° MSA
Mark C. Roth, 33°
Gary E. Roy, 33°, MSA
Jeremy J. Sawyer, 33°
Dennis A. Sheridan, 33°, MSA
Brian J. Smith, 33°
David W. Smith, 32°, MSA
Larry A. Sprague, 32°
Michael J. Tebbetts, 32°
Richard J. Thompson, 32°, MSA
James M. Triacca, 33° MSA
Dennis A. Tuttle, Jr. ,32°
Gary A. Ward, 32°
Dennis Webster, 33°, MSA
Fred W. Yates, 32°

DIGNITARIES

(in NH Council of Deliberation)

Kenneth A. Clay Jr., 33°
M.: W.: Grand Master
Grand Lodge, F&AM
David S. Collins, 33°, MSA
R.: E.: Grand Commander
Grand Commandery, KT
Paul M. Leary, 33°
Executive Officer
NH DeMolay

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DIGNITARIES

(in Scottish Rite)

Patrick J. O'Sullivan

M.:E.: Grand High Priest

Grand Chapter of NH, RAM

M.:I.: Grand Master

Grand Council, Cryptic Masons of NH

David R. Walters

Worthy Grand Patron

Grand Chapter of NH, OES

OTHER DIGNITARIES

Joan L. Smith

Worthy Grand Matron

Grand Chapter of NH, OES

Supreme Inspector

NH Rainbow, IORG

Stacy M. Desrosiers

State Grand Deputy

NH Rainbow, IORG

Nykola Isaia

Grand Worthy Advisor

NH Rainbow, IORG

J.A. Corwin Stauff

State Senior Councilor

NH DeMolay

RECEPTION OF GRAND MASTER AND PAST GRAND MASTERS

The Commander-in-Chief asked the Master of Ceremonies to virtually escort the Grand Master, as well as all Past Grand Masters of New Hampshire outside the meeting room for them to be received. He then called upon the First Lieutenant Commander to assist in the reception.

Accordingly, the Commander-in-Chief received the Grand Master Illustrious Kenneth A. Clay, Jr., 33°, Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Mason of the State of New Hampshire, accompanied by:

M.:W.: and Ill.: Jeremy J. Sawyer, 33°, PGM (2000, 2001)

M.:W.: and Ill.: C. Wayne Libby, Jr., 33°, PGM (2009, 2010)

M.:W.: and Ill.: Paul M. Leary, 33°, PGM (2011, 2012)

M.:W.: and Ill.: Stewart L. Aronson, 33°, PGM (2013, 2014)

M.:W.: and Ill.: John F. Gordon, 33°, PGM (2015, 2016)

M.:W.: and Ill.: John E. Lobdell, 33°, PGM (2017, 2018)

Commander-in-Chief Roth invited the Grand Master to speak, following which, M.:W.: and Ill.: Brother Clay thanked the Commander-in-Chief saying he would hold his remarks until the end of the Convocation.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS CONVOCATION

The Secretary was called upon for the reading of the records of the last communication. The Secretary then said, "I move that we dispense with the reading of the minutes as they have been published and distributed to the members of this Council of Deliberation; and that the minutes, as well as all reports previously distributed or presented at this Council of Deliberation, be included in the proceedings for this meeting without need of individual motions." The Commander-in-Chief called for a vote, and declared it as affirmative.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, and Members of New Hampshire Council of Deliberation:

The books of the Treasurer have been not been audited. Unfortunately, due to COVID 19, the books of the Treasurer have been not been audited. However, the Secretary and Treasurer's books do match. A detail audit will be completed in the near future.

In February the decision was made to move \$22,000 from our checking account to Edward Jones Financial Services. While we have seen a decrease in our investments due to this pandemic, we have the utmost confidence that the market will rebound in the future.

Based on the April 30, 2020 census our projected Per Capita Income will drop by approximately \$280.00 this year versus last year's actual. This negligible decrease will not have an adverse effect on the projected budget.

It is considered that this funding level should be adequate for the foreseeable future, to enable the COD to expand the level and amount of training and programs for the Officers and membership.

The following budget is proposed for the June 1, 2020 to May 31, 2021 fiscal year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Larry D. Gullett, 33°, Chairman

Ronald N. Crane, 33°

Keith A. Mansfield, 32°

Walter W. Lovell, 33°, M.S.A.

Robert A. LaBelle, 32°

James M. Triacca, 33°, M.S.A.

New Hampshire Council of Deliberation
June 1, 2020 to May 31, 2021 Budget

INCOME

Testimonial Income	\$ 3,300.00
Per Capita Income	<u>8,720.00</u>
Total Income	<u>\$12,020.00</u>

EXPENSES

Testimonial Expense (meals and flowers)	\$ 4,000.00
Annual Convocation Meal	000.00
Workshop Meal	700.00
Donations, Fraternal	1,000.00
Children's Dyslexia Centers	1,000.00
Meritorious Service Awards	500.00
Printing, Postage and Supplies	600.00
Program & Training Expenses-COD & Workshop	3,720.00
Secretary Stipend	<u>500.00</u>
Total Expenses	<u>\$12,020.00</u>

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REPORT OF THE TREASURER

NEW HAMPSHIRE COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION

REPORT OF THE TREASURER, FY 2019-2020

FOR THE PERIOD June 1, 2019 – May 31, 2020

Cash on hand June 1, 2019

TD Bank, Checking Account \$24,177.00

		Budgeted	Actual
INCOME	Testimonial	\$4,000.00	\$3,654.59
	Valley Dues	\$9,600.00	\$9,370.00
	Sale of Rep Jewel	\$0.00	\$37.00
	Sale of MSA Ladies Pins	\$0.00	\$68.00
	Void check #104 (not cashed)	\$0.00	\$500.00
	Interest Earned	\$400.00	\$0.00
	Total Income	\$13,600.00	\$13,629.59

Sub-Total \$37,806.65

EXPENSES	Testimonial	\$4,000.00	\$4,143.43
	Annual Meal	\$700.00	\$900.00
	Workshop lunch/breakfast	\$700.00	\$1,149.22
	Donations Youth	\$1,000.00	\$1,080.00
	Children's Dyslexia Centers	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
	MSA	\$500.00	\$573.98
	Printing and Postage	\$1,000.00	\$11.00
	Program Expenses	\$4,200.00	\$559.90
	Secretary Stipend	\$500.00	\$500.00
	Edward Jones Acct.	\$0.00	\$22,000.00
	Donations other than Youth	\$0.00	\$000.00
	Total Expenses	\$13,600.00	\$31,917.53

Cash on hand on May 31, 2020

TB Bank Checking Account \$5,889.12

James M. Triacca, 33°, MSA, Treasurer

REPORT OF EDWARD JONES
INVESTMENT ACCOUNT

JUNE 1, 2019 through MAY 2, 2020

Account Balance June 1, 2019	\$17,946.87
Addition to Account	<u>\$22,000.00</u>
Account Balance May 2, 2020	\$37,790.11
Account Decline	\$2,156.76

Respectfully submitted,
James M. Triacca, 33rd, MSA,
Treasurer

REPORT OF THE HOSPITALER

May 1, 2019 through April 30, 2020

Account Balance May 1, 2019	\$5,219.14
Interest for the year	<u>\$2.61</u>
Total on Hand	<u><u>\$5,221.75</u></u>

Disbursements: None	
Balance May 1, 2019	<u><u>\$5,221.75</u></u>

Respectfully submitted,
James M. Triacca, 33rd, MSA,
Hospitaler

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD COMMITTEE

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers, Members, and Guests of the New Hampshire Council of Deliberation:

If one were to look up the word meritorious in the dictionary, it is defined with a few simple words – deserving of reward or praise, admirable. More simply put – having merit. If you were to go a bit further you would find words like exemplary, righteous, honorable, exceptional, good and right. Without hesitation, we could associate these qualities with every man who has chosen to kneel at the altar, assume the obligations of a Freemason, and live daily by those same commitments. With this presumption, this committee would easily have no problem recognizing that every brother who is recommended for the Meritorious Service Award would be qualified to receive such an honor. This year is no different. As Chairman, I commend the committee for their valuable discussion and attentive consideration relative to every recommendation. At the same time, the committee thanks those presiding officers, and most like valley secretaries, who took the time to gather the information necessary to appropriately recommend a brother for this honor. Recognition is key in so many ways to the success of an organization and the related value of the members.

There is a Lodge in Pennsylvania that states on its' website that the members of that lodge have been meeting for over 239 years. "Indeed, our lodge is older than the Constitution of the United States." Over the years, many great leaders have been associated with Perseverance Lodge # 21 in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Worshipful Brother William Henry Egle served as Master of Perseverance Lodge in 1866 and is the author of the book entitled History of Perseverance Lodge: No. 21, F. & A.M., Pennsylvania at Harrisburg. At the beginning of Chapter XII, he

describes an event which took place in 1861 - "On the 1st of February, 1861, an invitation was received from the joint committee of the Senate and House of Representatives of Pennsylvania, requesting Lodge No. 21 to take part in the ceremonies to be observed in raising the Union Flag on the dome of the Capitol, on the 22nd of February. That day was a memorable occasion at Harrisburg. The President-elect, Abraham Lincoln came to the city, and the events of that day gave the alarm to the people that a great civil strife was impending." This country has changed greatly since that point in time and so has Perseverance Lodge most likely. Born 100 years after the event just described, a 37 year old man walked into Perseverance Lodge to become a part of something which so many before him had chosen, and on June 10th, 1998 he was raised a Master Mason. On April 29th, 2000 this same brother affiliated with a both a lodge and a Scottish Rite Valley here in New Hampshire.

He served as Worshipful Master of Perseverance Lodge No. 21 in 2003, and has also served as Worshipful Master of his affiliated lodge here in New Hampshire during the years 2011-2012. In Scottish Rite he has served his Valley here in New Hampshire in the Rose Croix line, and was Most Wise Master in 2017-2018. Over the years he has been very active taking part in Scottish Rite degree work, having participated in over 25 degree reunions in his Valley alone. On September 19th, 2012, he was recognized for his work in Masonry by his Lodge and the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, receiving the Major General John Sullivan Award in Bronze.

In the community, he has served on his local Board of Selectman for 10 years and as Chairman of the same in 2017 and 2018. He and his wife still belong to Triangle Spring Lutheran Church in Pennsylvania, returning when possible to share in worship. Today, this committee is pleased to recommend

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Brother Donald Wayne Milbrand, Jr. of Union Lodge #79 in Bristol, NH, and the Valley of Concord for the Meritorious Service Award.

On Friday November 10th, 1967 we were listening to top ten songs by Lulu, Marvin Gaye, Bobby Vinton and The Association. Lyndon B. Johnson was President and Pope St Paul VI was leading the Catholic Church. The cover of Life Magazine featured the Leningrad Music Hall Girls. This same day was also the beginning of life's journey for one of your brothers. I am sure on that day, he had no idea what opportunities he would have to help others when their problems overwhelmed, to support others in their community efforts, to mentor others as a leader and a coach, to listen to others when they had questions or concerns about life or to serve others simply because it brought joy. Some years later, his friends witnessed him raised as a Master Mason on March 12th, 2003, and receive the 32nd degree in Scottish Rite on November 8th of that same year.

Early the following year he continued his Masonic journey to take in York Rite. Since those initial days his fraternal voyage has provided us with the benefit of his leadership skills as he served as Master of his Lodge for a period of four years, as Sovereign Prince in the Princes of Jerusalem in Scottish Rite, as Dad Advisor in the local assembly of Rainbow, and as Mr. NH Rainbow, New Hampshire Grand Assembly, IORG. He has served in various capacities as an officer in York Rite, and is a member of Bektash Shriners, Anniversary Lodge of Research and the Eastern Star. He serves our Grand Lodge as the Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Iran in Exile in New Hampshire.

Over the years he has blessed us with his talents, participating in countless Scottish Rite degrees from the 4th to the 32nd, as well as public presentations such as December's Rose.

This brother instituted an annual deep sea fishing trip for his lodge and sought to expand his fraternal bonds by traveling to

jurisdictions outside of New Hampshire, including Kentucky and Nova Scotia.

Beyond the fraternal organization, this brother has organized fund raisers for families and individuals in the local community during times of disaster or tragedy. He has served his local community by coaching youth athletic teams and as chairman of various associated committees.

In May of 2011, he received the Major General John Sullivan Award in Bronze from the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire. Today, the members of this committee are pleased to recommend Brother Guy Robert Martineau, a member of Rising Sun Lodge #39 and the Valley of Nashua, for election to receive the Meritorious Service Award.

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, the members of this committee thank you for the opportunity to serve this Council of Deliberation. We also thank the presiding officers for recommending those who they believe are worthy of reward, regardless of whether or not they have been recognized here today.

On behalf of the Meritorious Service Award Committee, I move the approval of this report and for inclusion of the same in today's proceedings, and by such approval the election of Brother Donald Wayne Milbrand, Jr., and Brother Guy Robert Martineau to receive the Meritorious Service Award from the New Hampshire Council of Deliberation.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard W. Elliot, 33°, Chairman

Stewart L. Aronson, 33°

Ronald N. Crane, 33°

Gary E. Roy, 33°, M.S.A.

Dennis Webster, 33°, M.S.A.

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Following the report, the Commander-in-Chief asked for a motion to accept this report and its recommendations. On a motion duly made and seconded, the report was unanimously approved.

The Commander-in-Chief congratulated the new Meritorious Service Award recipients, and that each would be recognized with the Meritorious Service Award Ceremony, including the MSA Jewel presentation at the Testimonial on November 1, 2020 at the Bektash Shrine Center.

He concluded by thanking the Committee for the serious and important work they do in facing the difficult task of making these recommendations.

APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS

The Commander-in-Chief stated, "Upon the death of Ill.: Robert W. Heald, 33°, MSA, I hereby appoint Ill.: Richard F. Doble, 33°, MSA, as Minister of State. Because of the vacancy in the office of Seneschal created by the appointment of Ill.: Richard F. Doble, 33°, MSA, as Minister of State, I hereby appoint Ill.: John F. Gordon, 33°, as Seneschal. Because of the vacancy in the office of Master of Ceremonies created by the appointment of Ill.: John F. Gordon, 33°, as Seneschal, I hereby appoint Ill.: John E. Lobdell, 33°, as Master of Ceremonies.

"These officers will be installed today and serve until the next elections in 2022 or other appointments made."

APPOINTMENT OF THE DEPUTY'S REPRESENTATIVES

The Commander-in-Chief stated, "The Constitutions of the Supreme Council, Article 122, section 10 states, 'The Deputy may appoint a Deputy's Representative in each Valley of the State to serve for a term of one year and to be reappointed at the discretion of the Deputy.'"

Appointed as Deputy Representatives for next year are:

Valley of Concord:	Bro. Mark Ciarametaro 32°, MSA
Valley of Keene:	Ill.: William E. Larson, 33°
Valley of Lancaster-Littleton:	Ill.: Ronald N. Crane, 33°
Valley of Nashua:	Ill.: Karl H. Bickford, III, 33°, MSA

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The Commander-in-Chief continued, "Brethren, give your attention and be witnesses to the engagements your Officers are about to assume. Each officer will say "I", pronounce his name in full, and remain silent until I bid you speak.

"I ____ do hereby swear true allegiance and fealty to 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, sitting at its Grand East in the town of Lexington, Massachusetts, of which the Illustrious David A. Glattly, 33°, is Sovereign Grand Commander, and will support its Constitutions, Statutes, Orders, and Decrees.

"I will seek diligently to acquire due knowledge of the rituals, usages and administrative procedures of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite in this Jurisdiction, and to perform the duties of my office.

"I will strive earnestly to promote the welfare of my Brethren and of our Rite, and to maintain peace and harmony in a spirit of courtesy and fraternal cooperation.

"The Officers will repeat after me.

"And may God aid me to keep and perform this my solemn vow of office. Amen."

The Commander-in-Chief then said, "The Officers and members of this Council of Deliberation should realize that the Officers are charged with many duties and responsibilities. They look to the members of this Council for loyal cooperation and will welcome your constructive suggestions. The primary duty is to assist in maintaining the honor, dignity, and efficiency of the Rite.

"You have not advanced to your present rank in the Rite without full knowledge of the duties and responsibilities of your office. The honor, reputation, and usefulness of Scottish Rite Masonry will chiefly depend upon the mode and manner in which you discharge your duties.

"You will now assume your office."

SUPREME COUNCIL
of the
ANCIENT ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE
OF FREEMASONRY
for the
NORTHERN MASONIC JURISDICTION OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NEW HAMPSHIRE COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION

OFFICERS 2020– 2022

- III.: Mark C. Roth, 33° Commander-in-Chief (Ex-Officio)
- III.: Robert E. Hansen, 33° Commander-in-Chief, Emeritus
- III.: Richard W. Elliot, 33° First Lieutenant Commander
- III.: Roger W. Gaskill, 33°, M.S.A. Second Lieutenant Commander
- III.: Richard F. Doble, 33°, M.S.A. Minister of State
- III.: Jeremy J. Sawyer, 33° Chancellor
- III.: Kenneth A. Clay, Jr., 33° Prior
- III.: James M. Triacca, 33°, M.S.A.Treasurer
- III.: Robert M. Porter, 33° Secretary
- III.: Roger W. Gaskill, 33°, M.S.A. Secretary, Emeritus
- III.: John E. Lobdell 33° Master of Ceremonies
- III.: James M. Triacca, 33°, M.S.A. Hospitaler
- III.: John F. Gordon, 33°, Seneschal
- III.: Dennis A. Sheridan, 33°, M.S.A. Standard Bearer
- III.: Robert G. Bianchi, 33° Captain of the Guard
- III.: Ronald N. Crane, 33° Sentinel
- III.: Robert D. Coppo, 33°, M.S.A. Organist

Allocution of the Commander-in-Chief

The Commander-in-Chief then asked Illustrious Brother Richard W. Elliot, First Lieutenant Commander, to preside over this Council as he gave the Allocution.

New Hampshire Council of Deliberation
Zoom Meeting – June 6, 2020
Allocution of the Commander-in-Chief

Members of this Council of Deliberation and Scottish Rite Brethren:

It is indeed a pleasure to have this time with you this morning at the 97th Annual Convocation of the New Hampshire Council of Deliberation.

We are very honored that Most Worshipful and Ill.: Kenneth A. Clay, Jr., 33°, Grand Master of Masons in New Hampshire is with us this morning.

Thank you for signing into our online Council of Deliberation. Of course, this is a new and different way to meet which we have all become accustomed to over the last few months. The historic pandemic Coronavirus COVID-19 created many changes in all our lives. I appreciate your strength, support, and flexibility.

I hope you have had an opportunity to read the reports distributed on our web site. Thank you to all the Committee Chairmen and our Secretary for making these available. If there are any outstanding, we will get those added as soon as possible.

NECROLOGY

It is my sad duty to report to you those of the Supreme Council who have passed to the Celestial Lodge:

Ill.: Eric Ginette, 33°

Active Emeritus Member of Supreme Council for Vermont
Died on Tuesday, December 31, 2019.

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Ill.: John Sharp Wright, 33°

Past Active Member of Supreme Council for Ohio.

Died March 3, 2020

Anyone who had the opportunity to visit or work with the Sovereign Grand Commander or Illustrious William Holland most likely knew Pam. She greeted everyone with a smile, was always ready to help you in any manner she could, and, in her last days of work sat right outside the office of the Sovereign Grand Commander as his personal executive secretary.

Pamela J. Rogers, wife of John M. Rogers, passed away on July 29, 2019 at the age of 67 years after a long battle with cancer.

Please give your attention to Ill.: Robert M. Porter, 33° for the report of the Committee on Necrology.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF NECROLOGY

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Members of New Hampshire Council of Deliberation

IN MEMORIAM

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Illustrious Floyd T. Smith, 33°

Date of 33° - September 24, 1980

Past Sovereign Prince of Ariel Council, Princes of Jerusalem of Concord

Past Most Wise Master of Acacia Chapter of Rose Croix of Concord

Born: August 24, 1925

Died: May 15, 2019

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Illustrious John C. Marden, 33°

Date of 33° - September 26, 1984

Past Commander-in-Chief of New Hampshire Consistory of Nashua

Born: July 13, 1937

Died: September 15, 2019

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Illustrious Douglas L. Robertson Sr., 33°

Date of 33° - October 3, 1995

Born: May 27, 1923

Died: November 7, 2019

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Illustrious Dwight V. Meader, 33°
Date of 33° - September 25, 2001

Born: February 12, 1924

Died: November 21, 2019

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Brother A. Richard Marple, 32°

Past Thrice Potent Master of Ineffable Lodge of Perfection of Portsmouth-Dover

Born: March 4, 1931

Died: December 13, 2019

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Brother William H. Thomas, II, 32°

Past Sovereign Prince of John Christie Council, Princes of Jerusalem of Portsmouth-Dover

Born: September 28, 1931

Died: December 24, 2019

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Illustrious Robert W. Heald, 33°, M.S.A.

Date of 33° - September 29, 1982

Received the Meritorious Service Award June 15, 1996

Past Thrice Potent Master of Keene Lodge of Perfection of Keene

Past Sovereign Prince of Keene Council, Princes of Jerusalem of Keene

Born: January 5, 1929

Died: December 21, 2019

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Brother Allan E. Mayranen, 32°

Received the Meritorious Service Award June 4, 2016

Born: January 24, 1937

Died: January 13, 2020

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Respectfully submitted,

Robert M. Porter, 33°, Chairman

Jeffrey M. Brown, 33°

Edward N. Lewis, 33°, M.S.A.

Nicholas C. Martel, 33°

Dennis A. Sheridan, 33°, M.S.A.

PRAYER

The Commander-in-Chief then called on Ill.: Kenneth A. Clay, Jr.,
Prior, to give the following prayer:

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We are grateful for the dedication and love of fraternity that these Brothers demonstrated, each in his own way. No matter your spiritual affirmations, we cannot deny that, by their actions, they leave with us a lasting impression. We remember them and honor them by living our lives in a manner that continues in the tradition of devotion and service.

A Review of the Scottish Rite Year in NH Since June 1, 2019

Since June 1, 2019, the date of our last Annual Convocation much has happened. Indulge me as I review:

In Scottish Rite, we rely on our Degrees for education, Brotherhood, and reinforcement of our Core Values. Last summer, we rested for a Fall season local Lodge support, degrees, Lodges of Instruction, and Brotherhood. As we began the Fall season, we joined with the whole NH Masonic Family for a beautiful afternoon of R & R - Refreshment and Renewal at sponsored by the NH Masonic Unity Committee at Newfound Lake.

The Valley of Lancaster-Littleton hosted the Feast of Tishri.

The Valley of Nashua premiered the new Fourth Degree – “BUILDER” in October, inviting other Valleys to attend.

The highlight of the Fall Season over the past few years has been the Joint Valley Degree Day in Portsmouth. In 2019 the following degrees were conferred:

4th Degree, “BUILDER”, by the Valley of Nashua

5th Degree, ‘PERFECT MASTER”, by the Valley of Portsmouth-Dover

11th Degree, “SUBLIME MASTER ELECTED” by the Valley of Nashua

13th Degree, “MASTER OF THE NINTH ARCH” by the Valley of Concord

The New Hampshire Council of Deliberation Testimonial was held on November 3, 2019 at the Bektash Shrine Temple, Concord, NH.

The Ceremony for the Meritorious Service Award was presented in recognition of their election by this body of Brother Karl Richard Olson, 32°, Valley of Concord, and Brother David William Smith, 32°, Valley of Nashua. The MSA Ceremony was followed by a Fall Harvest Buffet catered by Hart Turkey Farm and the introduction, presentation of jewels and speeches by those who received the thirty-third Degree in August in Milwaukee, WI.

These degrees in the Fall of 2019 initiated new members into Scottish Rite in New Hampshire. The expectation was that they would be followed by additional candidates in 2020 in each of the Valleys and that New Hampshire Consistory would meet in April to confer the 32nd Degree. The Valley of Concord met early in March to confer the 4th and 17th degrees. Because of the pandemic which resulted in Emergency Orders by Governor Chris Sununu, Grand Lodge of New Hampshire directives, and my own directive regarding Scottish Rite in person meetings, further degrees were cancelled.

The cancellation of degrees and in person meetings, however, could not stop Scottish Rite in New Hampshire. Telephone calls, Brother to Brother, continue to be a strength of the Fraternity. Online Video Conferencing is now the norm.

Along with many of our Brothers, I find that video conferencing provides an opportunity to see and visit with our Brothers. No agenda is necessary at all video conferencing. Connecting with each other is reason enough to sign on.

We all look forward to replacing video conferencing with in-person meetings. While I think that time will come soon, as of this writing, we in New Hampshire do not know when that will be. However, we are confident that we will resume meetings, degrees, and living our Core Values in our communities.

On January 25th, Scottish Rite along with other Masonic bodies in New Hampshire sponsored the "MASONIC FAMILY LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE" under the leadership of the New Hampshire

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Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star Youth Committee. The day long leadership conference featured presenters from around the country including Darien A. Koons from Supreme Council who led a session on Marketing our Organizations. Other topics included generations, growth mindset, membership mindset, building a success storyboard. The conference was well received and well attended.

The New Hampshire Council of Deliberation met in a workshop format on February 8, 2020. The program included the announcements of Meritorious Service Award and Scholarship requirements and deadlines. In addition, emphasis was placed on the Blue Envelope Appeal, Veteran recognition, Valley Talking Point Handbook.

The new Valley Officer Training PowerPoint was presented by Illustrious Brothers Clay, Roth, and Elliot. This Valley Officer PowerPoint is designed to assist Valleys in preparing its members for the duties of their office. It emphasizes the, mission, vision, core values and the concepts of communications, servant-based leadership, and knowledge.

While the Brethren participated in the Workshop, their ladies enjoyed a Ladies Coffee Klatch. Janice Severance, Certified Personal Image and Color Consultant presented a program on wearing colors that complement and help look and feel one's personal best.

For the last portion of the Workshop, ladies joined with the men to hear a presentation by the State of New Hampshire Department of Justice on "Victim and Elder Abuse – Scams and how Con Artists Think"

Supreme Council met in Milwaukee, WI

The Supreme Council met in its Annual Executive Session at the Hilton Milwaukee City Center, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on August 23 and 24, 2019. The usual business was conducted, reports

heard, and elections held. I am happy to report to you that two elections were held with significant impact involving New Hampshire Scottish Rite Masons. First, the election candidates for the Thirty-Third Degree to be conferred in Cleveland on August 31, 2021. Congratulations to:

Brother Scott R. Borthwick, 32°, Valley of Concord

Brother Daniel R. Hotchkiss, 32°, Valley of Concord

Brother Roland N. Peterson, 32°, M.S.A. Valley of Nashua

Brother David A. Rich, 32°, M.S.A. Valley of Lancaster-Littleton

The second significant election was Ill.: Brother Kenneth A. Clay, Jr, 33°, to Supreme Council as Active Member for New Hampshire. As you know, Ill.: Brother Clay is currently serving our Grand Lodge as its Most Worshipful Grand Master. He serves now on the Supreme Council Masonic Education and Program Development Committee (Leadership) and the DeMolay and Youth Committee.

Fifty-two New Hampshire Masons and Ladies traveled to Milwaukee for the General Session and Conferral of the 33^d Degree. The following New Hampshire Brethren were coroneted Thirty-Third Degree, Scottish Rite Masons, Honorary Members of Supreme Council:

Ill.: Brother Jerome T. Becker, 33°, Valley of Nashua

Ill.: Brother Jeffrey M. Brown, 33°, Valley of Portsmouth-Dover

Ill.: Brother Troy A. Patoine, 33°, Valley of Concord

Ill.: Brother James M. Triacca, 33°, Valley of Concord

As previously stated, the newly coroneted Honorary Members were feted at the New Hampshire Council of Deliberation Testimonial November 3, 2019.

Supreme Council

Supreme Council as a Fraternal and Administrative organization is moving to meet the needs of the Scottish Rite and its members,

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both collectively and individually. As leaders in NH you may be more in tune with what is happening in Lexington than most Scottish Rite Masons. You may be aware of some of the additions to staff and the movement of staff as some retire and others needs are identified. III\William E. Holland, 33°, long time administrator at headquarters retired in May. Brother Michael C. Russell, 32°, is the new Executive Director of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, NMJ, USA. Sovereign Grand Commander Glattly, along with Brothers Russell, Dill, and Linda Patch continue to make strides in the Path Forward. Watch for the "Journey On" campaign which will begin to provide opportunity for Master Masons to continue their Masonic careers in Scottish Rite. The new look of the Northern Light with PJ Roup as editor presents an appealing message to our members. For those of you who are sons or parent of Scottish Rite Masons, I encourage you to submit your Legacy Story. November will celebrate legacies of the Scottish Rite. You can be a part of it – just enter your story on the Scottish Rite NMJ web site.

Much of what is happening now is a result of listening to you, our members. Such was the case in the very beginning of the Path Forward initiative. Based on data, Not Just a Man was created. Your Supreme Council is listening to you and looking at data.

The Supreme Council is listening to you...to us! Here is a great example: Dues Process Standardization whereby members in Valley like Concord, Keene, L-L, and P-D will no longer have to put up with two (possibly three) dues bills. No longer will dues bill mailings be made at different and confusing times. Hopefully, we will no longer hear that a Brother pays dues for one body but neglects another because he thinks he already paid his Scottish Rite dues. This process is a result of listening to the voice of the members.

Survey data suggests that men are looking at Freemasonry through internet browsing. In order to "control the narrative" to present an accurate and up to date message, the Scottish Rite Northern Masonic Jurisdiction is joined by the Southern Jurisdiction and the Shrine International to create the web site "Beafr Freemason.org". A man looking for a fraternal experience can learn about Freemasonry, what it is, who we are, and what

we believe. He can begin an application for membership which will be referred to the Grand Lodge where he resides. Through a series of workflow operations contact will be made and the procedure takes on a regular, local process.

The Supreme Council is continuously moving forward to build the Masonic Fraternity and Scottish Rite.

Scottish Rite Charities

Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth. These are tenets of our profession. The Scottish Rite exemplifies its Core Value of Service to Humanity through individual love of Brother. In a larger sense, the charities of the Scottish Rite allow us to magnify the impact we make. Together we can assist in the pursuit of higher education. The Abbott Scholarships and, here in NH, the NH Consistory Bryant Scholarships, the Portsmouth-Dover Ray Chase Scholarship, and the Concord Scholarship all provide needed assistance in an ever-increasing world of academia.

The Scottish Rite Museum and Library is not only of use to our Fraternity but also to the world as it brings our heritage to light.

The Grand Almoner's Fund has helped hundreds of our Brethren facing life's greatest challenges. The Diamond level gift of \$100,000 from New Hampshire Consistory to the Grand Almoner's Fund is appreciated beyond words. It was my pleasure to accompany Illustrious Brothers Brown, Roy, Gordon, Mendzela, Hansen, Elliot, and Clay on Giving Tuesday in Lexington to present the \$100,000 gift from you, the Scottish Rite Masons of New Hampshire.

The Children's Dyslexia Centers in Nashua and Rochester, known the Seacoast Center continue to do the most incredible work with children who cannot read because their brain processes symbols in a different way. The lives of children, their families, and society are saved and enriched by what this flagship charity does. At last weeks graduation at the Seacoast, graduates read Dr. Seuss to us and you would never know they there was ever a

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problem. Let me share a few pages from the electronic scrap book compiled at the Nashua Center.

Dear Masons and CDC staff,

Thank you for letting me have tutoring with Miss Amy. It has helped me in school. I feel like I can read better and know how to do it. My favorite part of tutoring is at the end when we read. My tutor and everyone is so so nice!

Dear Masons,

Thank you so much for this amazing opportunity to learn at your center and help me with my dyslexia. I am so blessed to have been in this program for the last 2 years. I thank God everyday for this gift.

Thank you again,
Logan

Dear Masons,

I am very grateful for you donating money to the center so I can learn how to read. Recently I read "The Genius Files" and it had tons of adventures and mysteries. Every chapter ends in a cliffhanger.

Sincerely,
Kate

I know these are a bit out of context for you, but it gives you a glimpse of why Scottish Rite Brothers across the NMJ and especially here in NH have contributed so selflessly to this program. Again, thank you to NH Consistory for its support for both centers. We could not do it without you!

State of the Rite in New Hampshire

At the time of this writing it is somewhat difficult to judge the State of the Rite in New Hampshire. Prior to the pandemic COVID-19 which curtailed in person events including any meetings and degrees, Valleys made an effort to carry on with greater success through reunions with other Valleys. Nashua joined with Valleys in Northern Massachusetts, and the Joint Valley Reunion in November with most of the NH Valleys participating in some manner. Even the Spring Consistory reunion included Valleys and members from around the State. The effect that the pandemic has on live in person Scottish Rite is yet to be seen.

The COVID-19 Coronavirus pandemic dominated the spring months. From March through June, events have been cancelled or postponed to a later time when it becomes feasible to hold the event. Social distancing entered our vocabulary. We look forward to a time when we can once again greet each other with a handshake and follow our usual Masonic practices. We will comply with Governmental mandates and follow Grand Lodge of New Hampshire directives. The Grand Master's re-opening guidelines will be followed as they apply to Scottish Rite. Beyond that it will be the best judgement of our members to resume in person meetings and rituals.

One aspect of Scottish Rite life that has had a tremendous impact is the Scottish Rite Thursday Night at the Rite series of degrees. Limited to those members who have registered in the Member Center, the video series results in Brothers returning to the Rite after falling aside, discussion groups around the jurisdiction enabling Brothers to chat and visit with each other while internalizing the Core Values and messages of the degrees.

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The Thursday Night at the Rite acts as an avenue to connect Brothers who would otherwise be separated from each other. It has been extremely valuable to NH Scottish Rite Freemasons.

Video conferencing using Zoom has become a standard Monday night event. 6:30 p.m. Monday night will find many NH Scottish Rite Freemasons online to "Check In", to share stories, report Brothers in sickness or distress or simply see each other. How are you doing? Is everybody OK? How is so and so?

How or when will this all end? It appears that the State of NH will allow churches to return in a limited manner. Freemasonry is closely aligned with churches so that may provide an opportunity to return to meeting in a limited manner. As previously stated, we will follow the guidelines of the Grand Lodge of NH.

It is my hope that Valley Officers and Executive Committee have been meeting via Zoom or other Video conferencing media in order to plan their re-entry. Illustrious Brothers Elliot, Clay and Hansen stand ready to assist you in any way possible.

I encourage all Valleys, their officers, and Executive Committees to continue to support each other, enjoy Family Life events, celebrate your veterans, and support the youth of your Lodges or Districts. DeMolay needs qualified leadership. Rainbow needs support. Remember that the youth today are the leaders tomorrow.

Gratitude

I especially want to thank New Hampshire Consistory for its leadership of Scottish Rite and all of Freemasonry in New Hampshire. You are the only Scottish Rite Body that includes all Scottish Rite members from NH. You have taken us through changes that otherwise would have led to a weakened fraternity. But not so because of NH Consistory.

In the past year, NH Consistory has seen the retirement of its longtime Executive Secretary, Ill.:. C. Wayne Libby Jr., 33°. After a consideration of the duties of the Executive Secretary, Ill.:. Brother

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Robert M. Porter, 33°, Valley of Nashua was hired to assume the duties of Executive Secretary. The Valley of Nashua elected James F. Blake, Jr. to the position of Secretary of the Valley. Thank you to Ill.: Brother Jeffrey L. Brown, 33°, Commander-in-Chief for his leadership through this transition. Also, from Supreme Council, thank you to NH Consistory for the gift to the Grand Almoner's Fund which will make such a big difference in the lives of our members in need.

Thank you to my peers,

Ill.: Brother Robert E. Hansen, 33°, Active Emeritus Member of Supreme Council and recipient of the Supreme Council Medal of Honor.

Ill.: Brother Kenneth A. Clay, Jr, 33°, Active Member of Supreme Council and Most Worshipful Grand Master

Ill.: Brother Richard W. Elliot, 33°, Active Member of Supreme Council and Grand Minister of State

All of you have supported our Scottish Rite and Freemasonry and I know you will continue to serve.

Finally, my Brothers, I thank each and every one of you for your understanding and support during this time of challenge. Your dedication and flexibility is indeed appreciated.

In conclusion, I say thank you and look forward to a year in which we practice the tenets of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACTIVITIES AND TESTIMONIALS

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief and Members of New Hampshire Council of Deliberation:

On Sunday, November 3, 2019, over 130 Brethren, ladies and other guests gathered at the Bektash Shrine Center in Concord in a mid-day celebration honoring our MSA recipients and our newly coroneted 33° recipients.

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Those honored with the Meritorious Service Award were elected on June 1, 2019 at the 96th New Hampshire Council of Deliberation Annual Meeting in Portsmouth:

Brother Karl R. Olson, 32°, MSA

Brother David W. Smith, 32°, MSA

The 33° members honored on August 27, 2019 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin:

Ill.: Jerome T. Becker, 33°, MSA

Ill.: Jeffrey M. Brown, 33°

Ill.: Troy A. Patoine, 33°

Ill.: James M. Triacca, 33°, MSA

A social period began at 1 P.M., followed by a delicious buffet dinner of Ham, Roast Beef and Turkey with all the fixings, catered by Hart's Turkey Farm. Prior to the meal, Ill ∴ Brother Mark C. Roth, 33°, and Ill ∴ Brother Richard W. Elliot, 33°, performed the Meritorious Service Award Ceremony and presented Certificates and pins to the new recipients with brief comments from each honoree.

Following the meal, Ill ∴ Brother Karl H. Bickford, Ill, 33°, M.S.A., introduced Ill ∴ Brother Jerome T. Becker, 33°, M.S.A., Honorary Member of Supreme Council, while Ill ∴ Brother Donald A. Crete, 32°, presented Brother Becker with his 33rd Degree Jewel for the Valley of Nashua. Ill ∴ Brother Jeffrey L. Brown, 33°, M.S.A., then introduced Ill ∴ Brother Jeffrey M. Brown, 33°, Honorary Member of Supreme Council, and Brother Roger F. Retzke, 33°, presented Brother Brown with his 33rd Degree Jewel for the Valley of Portsmouth-Dover. Ill ∴ Brother David S. Collins, 33°, M.S.A., then introduced Ill ∴ Brother Troy A. Patoine, 33°, Honorary Member of Supreme Council, and Brother Alan D. Lugg, 33°, presented Brother Patoine with his 33rd Degree Jewel for the Valley of Concord. Lastly, Ill ∴ Brother Gary E. Roy, 33°, M.S.A., introduced Ill ∴ Brother James M. Triacca, M.S.A., 33°, Honorary Member of

Supreme Council, and Ill.∴ Brother Sumner Goldman, M.S.A., 33°, presented Brother Triacca with his 33rd Degree Jewel for the Valley of Concord.

Other Honored guests in attendance at the November event: Ill.: Brother Mark C. Roth, 33°, Active Member of Supreme Council and Deputy for New Hampshire and Mrs. Karla Roth; Ill.: Brother Richard W. Elliot, 33°, Active Member of Supreme Council, Grand Treasurer General, and Past Deputy for New Hampshire and Mrs. Kathy Elliot; Ill.: Brother Robert E. Hansen, 33°, Active Emeritus Member of the Supreme Council and Past Deputy for New Hampshire and Mrs. Jean Hansen; Ill.: Brother Kenneth A. Clay, Jr., 33°, Active Member of the Supreme Council and Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire and Mrs. Tammy Clay; Ill.: Brother John E. Lobdell, 33°, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire and Mrs. Cindy Lobdell; and Ill.: Brother William E. Larson, 33°, Commander in Chief of New Hampshire Consistory.

As chairman of the Committee and event, I would gratefully acknowledge the assistance of Ill.: Brother Mark C. Roth, 33° and Ill.: Brother Robert Porter, 33°. I most especially, gratefully thank my wife, Kristin, for the continued success of this event.

The 2020 MSA Award Ceremony will again be held at the Bektash Shrine Center in Concord, NH on Sunday, November 1, 2020.

For the Committee,

Thomas S. Lowe, 33°, Chairman

Jeffrey L. Brown, 33°, M.S.A.

Gary E. Roy, 33°, M.S.A.

Robert C. Lethbridge, 33°, M.S.A.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SUPREME COUNCIL CHARITIES

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief and Members of New Hampshire Council of Deliberation:

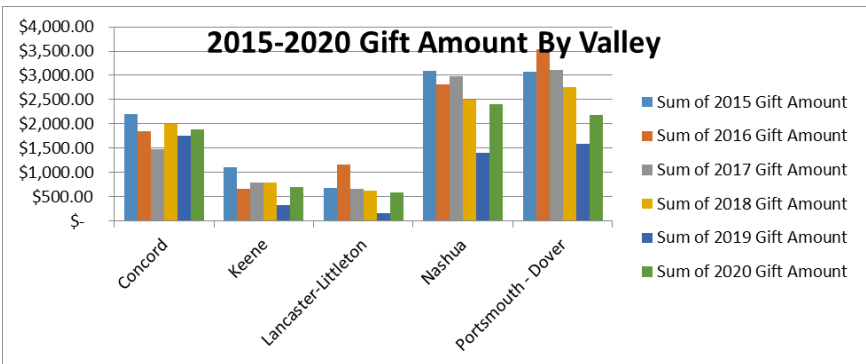
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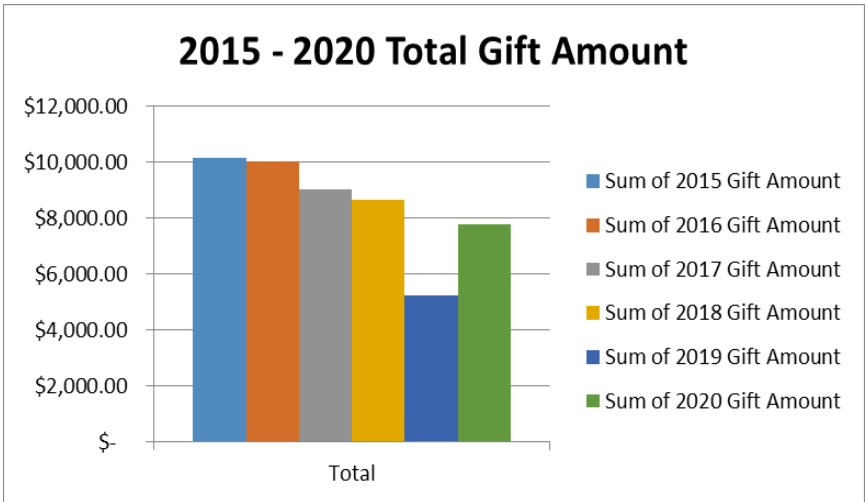
The Committee on Supreme Council Charities presents its report for 2020. This year we again report statistics illustrating the importance of the Blue Envelope Appeal.

The Supreme Council Blue Envelope Appeal is one of the essential tools used to support Supreme Council Charities. The annual mail appeal is the main solicitation for Supreme Council "Blue Envelope Appeal". Below is a summary of contributions made to the Blue Envelope by New Hampshire Scottish Rite Masons.

The 2019-2020 contributions reported by Supreme Council were as follows:

Valley	Gift Amount	No. of Donors	Number of Members	% of Donors vs. Members
Concord	\$1,883.00	39	279	14.00%
Keene	\$703.00	13	102	12.70%
Lancaster-Littleton	\$587.00	17	118	14.40%
Nashua	\$2,406.00	44	315	14.00%
Portsmouth - Dover	\$2,188.00	47	411	11.40%
Grand Total	\$7,767.00	160	1225	13.30%





Note that the amount of Abbott Scholarship money awarded from Supreme Council is based on the number of contributors and the amount contributed. More importantly when one contributes to the Blue Envelope Appeal the **donor can specify** how the contribution is to be used, whether it applies to the Almoner's Fund, Membership Campaign, Children's Dyslexia Center, or to the Abbott Scholarship Fund.

Do not wait for the Blue Envelope to arrive in the mail! Contributions can be made to the Valley Secretary by mail, at any Scottish Rite event, or by using the Supreme Council website, <https://scottishritenmj.org/donate>. Let us all get motivated by reversing the trend in the above graphs.

The promotion of this fund and the resulting care provided to your Brothers has been a testament to the tenet of "Brotherly Love". If you have not contributed in the past please consider a donation this year. Every dollar counts!

For those who have been contributing thank you!!

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Respectfully submitted,

Peter D. Crouch, 32°, Chairman

John M. Bys, 32°

Timothy D. LaPointe, 32°

Roland N. Petersen, 32°, M.S.A.

Mark A. Weir, 33°, M.S.A.

REPORT OF THE YOUTH COMMITTEE

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief and Members of New Hampshire Council of Deliberation:

We have looked at the children and we stand impressed. With a constant barrage of negative press, reports on Social Media, and copious amounts of hearsay notwithstanding, the world is not going the wrong way. Our children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and those youth who we interact with in our Masonic Youth groups show us that the talking heads of media are wrong and that we will be in the good hands of these “young'uns” as they transition their lives into adulthood.

This sounds like a bold boast, maybe too over-the-top, but armed with examples, I think we can all see what the future holds. The future holds the discoveries of a Doctor of Microbiology, who worked through her Rainbow years participating with us in Scottish Rite flag presentations, Grand Lodge Rainbow Drills, and leadership positions in her local Assembly and New Hampshire Grand Assembly. A young lady who received scholarship from Scottish Rite Council of Deliberations to pursue Undergraduate, Graduate, and Doctoral degrees and now putting her skills to work in society.

It shows in the work of a Senior DeMolay, researching new material science in conjunction with research universities, discovering principles which we will reap the benefits in the near and far future.

It shows in the family lives of men and women who are true to the principles they learned under our mentorship and have now gone on to raise families of their own. Families who we don't hear about on the news because good news doesn't sell.

It also shows in the works of current Rainbow and DeMolay who give back to their communities with help, aid, and good-will. The hard work that our Masonic Youth Groups engage in, from their early teens to their early twenties, in the foundation of their future lives, living the principles which we could hope al the world would live.

Rainbow is slowly growing in New Hampshire. This is a continuing, positive state. DeMolay is holding its own and reorganizing to better support the young men in our state. What we tend to forget is that Youth is NOT forever. The young men and women in our Youth organizations are only there for ten years. For them to survive, they must constantly be refilling their ranks.

What do they need from us? I make this statement in every Youth Report I have ever helped on. They need us. They need our guidance. They need our participation. They need our physical support. For some of us, myself included as a Grandfather of a 10 year-old, they need us to introduce more Masonic related and non-Masonic related youth to their programs. We help whenever we issue a kind word. Whenever we attend one of their meetings. Whenever we encourage them in the ritual and performance. We help when we are there physically, showing them that we really do believe that, with them the would will truly be a better place for all.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian J. Smith, 33°, Chairman

Jerome T. Becker M.S.A.

Jeffrey L. Brown 33° M.S.A.

C. Wayne Libby, Jr. 33° M.S.A.

Karl R. Olson

David A. Rich, M.S.A.

RECEPTION OF VISITING DIGNITARIES

The Commander-in-Chief welcomed the visiting dignitaries, and then called upon Joan L. Smith, Supreme Inspector in NH, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls for her remarks.

REMARKS OF THE SUPREME INSPECTOR

Illustrious Brother Roth, distinguished guests, and most of all friends, Good Morning:

It is a great pleasure to bring fraternal greetings to you from Supreme Assembly, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, and all the young ladies of the Grand Assembly of NH. As my Grand Worthy Advisor, Miss Nykola Isaia, is here this morning, I am pleased to have her bring you additional greetings.

Our organizations have certainly learned a lot this past few months about perseverance under adversity and acceptance of change. The world has become a different place with the advent of the COVID 19 pandemic. Our 7 assemblies have had to change to Virtual Meetings, and the girls have had to adjust to no Grand Assembly 2020 celebration this July. These past few months our girls have shown such resilience and acceptance to the new pattern of thinking. I am so proud of our girls and their innovative abilities to keep their membership connected and motivated during this time of separation and social isolation. Our Garden of Friendship Supreme Assembly 2020 sessions in Nevada have just been cancelled for this July as well. Sadly we will miss seeing all our young ladies perform on the Grand and Supreme floors, but I know they would have made New Hampshire very proud indeed!

I would like to personally thank the membership of Scottish Rite for all the financial support over the years as this has helped us to support many of our programs and events for our Rainbow Girls. Much of your contributions are directly geared to our Leadership

Education. Every time you see one of our young ladies turning into a true leader in her assembly or on the Grand level, you can take pride in knowing that YOU made that happen!

I invite you all to watch for our Virtual Grand Assembly Spirit Week for 2020, which will be intermittently played on Facebook and You-tube the week of June 29th through July 3rd. We will be celebrating our girls' achievements for this past year as we head toward the second year of our Monsters University theme. Do watch next spring for a new invitation to the 79th annual NH Grand Assembly session this July 2nd -4th , 2021, at the Nashua Courtyard Marriott. And as always feel free to join in on any activity or event at any one of our 7 Assemblies throughout the coming year.

Thank you again for the privilege to speak to you today.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Joan L Smith
Supreme Inspector in NH
Supreme Confidential Observer – Supreme Assembly

REMARKS OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Thank you for calling on the Grand Chapter of New Hampshire, Order of the Eastern Star today.

Family. I have been involved in the New Hampshire fraternal Family for a very long time, and I know so many of you in so many different capacities. It may have been though Rainbow-watching your daughters or granddaughters grow into wonderful young ladies, or perhaps we were Advisors together. Maybe I have served you suppers at many a Masonic function, or perhaps just enjoyed pleasantries of a Unity party or picnic. It could have been the numerous FezTival trees we would help each other at, maybe we served on a masonic committee together, or it could be any one of the Installation of Officers of any of our bodies that would happen. Maybe we would see

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each other at a Scottish Rite Reunion, or Family outing, or the Feast of the Paschal lamb, or the MSA or 33rd events. Could it have been that I would run into you at Legion of Honor, or maybe the Commandery Christmas Observance when we could finally sit and catch up on things. We would check on how family was doing- wives, daughters, sons, grandparents, grandchildren, and even our pets. There were joyous events, and yes, even times of sorrow that we would share with each other. We would support each other. Because we are family!

Through my 40+ years of Eastern Star membership I have enjoyed the camaraderie with our fraternal family as we share in our dedication to the principles of charity, truth, and loving kindness. We are not so different as groups of dedicated volunteers. Working together in the spirit of teamwork is a characteristic which I always strive to sustain and encourage with my Sisters and Brothers. Our 19 Chapters throughout the state are always willing and able to work with their fraternal family on any event planned. We were especially delighted with the Teamwork effort that evolved in the planning for the first ever Masonic Family Leadership Conference this past January 2020, and I wish to thank Illust. Brothers Mark Roth and Jeffrey Brown for your help, guidance, and input, and all of Scottish Rite for your support on the huge endeavor. How appropriate it was that the major focus on the event was Communications and thinking innovatively 'outside the box' , and then a mere 6 weeks later much of that education was put to action when COVID 19 made it necessary for us all to think differently on how we communicate and stay connected as fraternal bodies.

As with many of our bodies, NH Grand Chapter and its subordinate chapters have been holding Zoom meetings to stay connected, but has had to postpone their Grand Chapter 2020 sessions until August of 2021. Because we have not been able to finish our visits required since March, our Grand Officers will stay in place as we finish off many of our unfinished duties and events.

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Our main focus as you can imagine is to keep our membership healthy and safe since many are in the high risk category. We worry about the social isolation that comes with this social distancing, and the effect it will have on our bodies for the future. Because of this I encourage all of you to stay connected, just as a family should, and let us nurture our basic principles that will keep our family strong and vibrant.

Thank you again for the privilege to speak to you today.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Joan L Smith, Worthy Grand Matron
New Hampshire Order of the Eastern Star

REMARKS OF THE GRAND HIGH PRIEST and GRAND MASTER

Patrick J. O'Sullivan, Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Grand Royal Arch Chapter of NH and Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of NH

MWGM, Illustrious Brethren and Brethren All, good morning

To the Commander-In-Chief, Members of the Council of Deliberation, Brethren all, good morning: I bring you my warm and capitular greetings on behalf of the companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons for the State of NH and of the companions of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons for the State of NH.

It brings me immense joy to stand here today with not only my masonic brethren, but my fellow members of the Scottish Rite and for the first time in my official capacity for the York Rite. As my mother valley is in Oklahoma, I don't often have the chance to partake in activities and I am more than pleased to have the chance to stand here before you this morning.

I will keep this brief, as I know you all want to get to the business of the day. I want you to know that your brethren of the York Rite stand with you and are as willing to help in any way we can. Our mission is much the same and has some of the same foundational roots. Never has there been a more important time

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for us to share our teachings with society than today. Remember we have all been admonished to stand and act as just & up right masons. I could go on, but I said I would keep this brief and I will. I wish you all a successful session and extend my personal congratulations on the completion of another year.

Be well and may the GAOTU watch over you and your work for the forthcoming year.

ONE BIG THANK YOU!

Thank you so much for supporting the Dyslexia Center because they have been helping me cope with my disability. I am so thankful for the amazing volunteers that are dedicated to making me more successful.

I will be a freshman in high school the next school year. I have been getting extra help with reading since I began my schooling through private school, public school and tutoring centers. I have a full-time classroom aid at my school and am pulled out for specialized language and math due to my Dyslexia. The only class I have ever felt 'normal' in is art. Here I don't have to work ten times as hard to achieve the same as the other kids. While I have some incredible teachers at my school who would love to see me succeed, I was so excited to learn about the existence of the Dyslexia Center. Instead of general 'cookie cutter' help with reading, there were individuals out there that really understand my struggles and could help me progress further. I am thankful there is a place where there are other kids like me, where I don't feel so alone in my struggles.

When I was younger, I would come home and cry because I thought I was dumb since I couldn't read like the other kids. Over the last few years I have come to realize that I am just wired differently and that parts of Dyslexia gives you a gift 'normal' people do not have. My tutoring at the Dyslexia Center has helped build this new found confidence.

Aside from reading, spelling has been a huge issue for me. To give you an idea of how big of an issue it is, much of the time I am so far off that spell-check cannot figure out what I am trying to write. My Dyslexia Center tutor has been helping me a lot with spelling. I know it may not seem like a big deal to most, but I am excited I can now spell the word "sentence" without the help of spell-check. It is all of these little things that add up to one big THANK YOU!

Alexis

REMARKS OF THE RIGHT EMINENT GRAND COMMANDER

III.: David S. Collins, Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of NH

The Right Eminent Grand Commander spoke of his love for both the Rites in New Hampshire, his enthusiasm for the development of their members, and the continued strengthening of all of Freemasonry.

REMARKS OF EXECUTIVE OFFICIER OF DEMOLAY

REMARKS ON BEHALF OF STATE MASTER COUNCILOR

Remarks of Corwyn Stauff

Good Morning! I bring the warm and fraternal greetings of New Hampshire DeMolay, and of State Master Councilor Billy Cook. It has been a difficult time for DeMolay, but that has not stopped us from meeting and having fun as brothers. We have been hosting movie nights on our Discord Server, playing Kahoot and other browser based games over zoom, and spending quality time together on our Minecraft Server. The state council has also been attending as many meetings as we can to show our support on the chapter level. I'd like to thank you for your financial support, during these troubled times especially. Thank you.

Invitation for the 2021 NH Council of Deliberation Annual Convocation

The Commander-in-Chief thanked everyone for attending the COD via a zoom meeting for the Annual Convocation this year. He then asked, "Is there a Valley that would like to extend an invitation for the 2021 Annual Convocation to be held on June 12, 2021?"

Brother Adam J. Freiband extended an invitation on behalf of the Valley of Nashua to host the Ninety-eight Annual Convocation of New Hampshire Council of Deliberation on that date in Nashua, NH.

The Commander-in-Chief asked the Council of Deliberation to vote to validate the Valley of Nashua's invitation. Following a unanimous vote in the affirmative validating the offer, the Commander-in-Chief accepted the invitation from the Valley of Nashua.

REPORT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief and Members of the New Hampshire Council of Deliberation:

The Supreme Council provided \$8,800.00 to the New Hampshire Council of Deliberation this year to be awarded as Abbott Scottish Rite Scholarships.

The Supreme Council has granted \$8,800.00 in Leon M. Abbott Scholarships to be awarded by New Hampshire Council of Deliberation to deserving students this year. By the same token New Hampshire Consistory has voted to grant \$16,000.00 in William E. Bryant Scholarships.

Due to the Covid 19, pandemic the Supreme Council changed the deadline for the submission of scholarship applications to them to August 1, 2020. Since both

scholarships are handled by the Council of Deliberation Committee on Scholarships, it was decided to move the deadline for applications to be submitted to Valley Secretaries to July 1, 2020.

Therefore, the scholarship committee will not have met to decide who the recipients will be as of the annual meeting of New Hampshire Council of Deliberation. The committee will meet in mid-July in order to determine which applicants will receive s c h o l a r s h i p s .

As you know it has been our practice to make the awards during our Annual meeting, however, this will have to be done at a later date.

Due to the retirement of two of our members, we are pleased to welcome Ill. Br. Troy A. Patoine, representing the Valley of Concord and Br. Mark H. Blodgett representing the Valley of Lancaster-Littleton to the committee.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ill.: Karl H. Bickford, Ill, 33°, M.S.A. Chairman

Ill.: Panos A. Pitsas, 33°, M.S.A.

Ill.: Walter W. Lovell 33°, M.S.A.

Bro. Mark E. Blodgett 32°

Ill.: Troy A.Patoine, 33°

CLOSING REMARKS

The Commander-in-Chief then said, "Brethren, I am about to ask for closing remarks by our Active Emeritus Member and Active Member of Supreme Council. Before I do, is there any other business to come before this Council? There being none, Illustrious Brother Roth called upon the Active Emeritus for his comments.

REMARKS OF THE ACTIVE EMERITUS

Illustrious Robert E. Hansen, 33° Active Emeritus Member of Supreme Council and recipient of the Supreme Council Medal of Honor, thanked the Commander-in-Chief for calling upon him, expressed how pleased he was with the meeting and then he congratulated both the MSA recipients and those awarded scholarships. He congratulated the Commander-in-Chief for his Allocution, and thanked him for the traveling he was able to do with Illustrious Brother Roth.

Following his remarks, the Commander-in-Chief called upon the Active for any comments he might have.

REMARKS OF THE ACTIVE

Illustrious Richard W. Elliot, 33°, Active Member of Supreme Council and Grand Treasurer General of Supreme Council thanked the Commander-in-Chief for the opportunity to speak, and echoed the sentiments of Illustrious Brother Hansen on the fine meeting this morning. He thanked all present for coming and participating in the day's events.

The Active also commended the Commander-in-Chief on his Allocution, then congratulated both the Meritorious Service Award recipients and the scholarship recipients. He concluded by thanking Illustrious Brother Roth for his commitment to Scottish Rite, and his representation on our Supreme Council.

Following his remarks, the Commander-in-Chief called on the First Lieutenant Commander to escort the Grand Master to the East, and said, "Brethren, it gives me great pleasure to introduce to you the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of NH, Illustrious Brother Kenneth A. Clay, Jr. 33°, our Grand Master.

GRAND MASTER'S REMARKS

Most Worshipful and Ill.: Kenneth A. Clay, Jr., 33°, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New Hampshire thanked the Commander-in-Chief, saying how wonderful it was to be here. He stated it had been a terrific

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Annual meeting, and that Ill.: Brother Roth had given a wonderful Allocution.

He addressed the scholarship recipients, telling them that they had no idea how much it meant to the Council that they took time today to come and to receive their scholarships. By doing so, they encouraged all of us to continue to help young people.

Most Worshipful and Ill.: Brother Clay concluded his remarks by stating that life is an educational process, and congratulated all the recipients.

CLOSING

The Commander-in-Chief then called upon Illustrious Brother Kenneth A. Clay, Jr., 33°, Prior, to give a closing prayer and a blessing for the luncheon.

BENEDICTION

“Grant us Thy blessing and Thy benediction, O God our Father, as we close our labors. What we have done amiss, and not pleasant in thy sight, grant us mercy and set our paths true. What we have done in harmony with Thy will and purpose, bless us and prosper us. We are in Thy hands and our hearts are at peace”.

“Let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us; and establish Thou the work of our hands upon us; yea the work of our hands establish thou it. Thank you for the young men and women receiving these scholarships today, grant them success. Thank you for Mark Roth, Richard Elliot, for their leadership of this COD., and all those who contribute to our success”.

“Amen”

Following the benediction, Illustrious Brother Clay gave the blessing.

There being no further business, the Council was closed by proclamation.

A true record,

Attest:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert M. Porter", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Robert M. Porter, 33°
Secretary

REPORTS

The following pages contain the remainder of the Committee reports of the Council of Deliberation and those of the Deputy's Representatives. These reports were previously submitted, received, and distributed to the members for review prior to the Annual Convocation.

On a motion, which was duly made and seconded, and is previously recorded in these proceedings, all of the reports were voted on and approved as submitted.

The following reports are on the succeeding pages:

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Reports for the Committees on:

- Constitutions and Laws
- Education and Leadership Development
- Media and Publicity
- Membership Development

DEPUTY'S REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS

Reports for the Valleys of:

- Concord
- Keene
- Lancaster-Littleton
- Nashua

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONS AND LAWS

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief and Members of New Hampshire Council of Deliberation:

As there have been no questions or issues referred to this Committee up to this time, the members of the Committee on Constitution and Laws have nothing to report.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Wayne Libby Jr., 33^o, M.S.A., Chairman

Eric E. Anderson, 33^o, M.S.A.

Jeffery M. Brown, 33^o

John A. Loven, 32^o

Michael F. Ripberger, 32^o, M.S

EDUCATION & LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief and Members of New Hampshire Council of Deliberation:

Thankfully, our COD Workshop was well attended, as it was before the hurdles of social distancing and isolation. Under the leadership of our Deputy we had a very interesting and informative interactive meeting. The distinguished Ill. Mark C. Roth invited guest to provide information on the number and evolving scams which are a burden and disgrace on taking advantage of the vulnerable.

Presenting first were: Assistant Attorney General BRYAN TOWNSEND, JD a lifelong resident of New Hampshire. He earned his BA from the University of New Hampshire in Durham and his JD from University of New Hampshire School of Law in Concord. He is the Prosecutor with the Elder Abuse and Exploitation Unit at the Attorney General's Office. In this role he works closely with law enforcement and the Bureau of Elderly and Adult Services (BEAS) to investigate and prosecute cases of elder abuse and

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exploitation across the State. Bryan also presents on Elder Abuse and Exploitation throughout the State and teaches at the Police Standards and Training. Prior to taking the position as head of the Elder Abuse and Exploitation Unit, Attorney Townsend was a prosecutor for the Medicaid Fraud Unit at the Attorney General's Office. Prior to joining the Attorney General's Office he was a Judicial Clerk for the Honorable Carol Ann Conboy and spent three years in private practice.

SUNNY MULLIGAN, JD is the Victim Witness Advocate for the Elder Abuse and Exploitation Unit at the Attorney General's Office. She earned her BA from Notre Dame College in Manchester, NH and her JD from New Hampshire School of Law, formerly Franklin Pierce Law Center. Her prior experience includes fourteen years in a small law firm predominantly representing children and as a Guardian ad Litem for victims of sexual assault. She taught at the UNH School of Law for 9 years and was a Victim Witness Advocate for Hillsborough County Attorney's Office for two years prior to coming to the Attorney General's Office in 2016. Assistant Attorney General Bryan Townsend and Sunny present on Elder Abuse and Exploitation throughout NH as well as teaching at Police Standards and Training.

They gave a very informative talk and scams and ran through some of the most common ones which are: IRS scam (owing money), Grandparent Scam (call from grand kids saying they are in trouble), Microsoft scam (computer virus), Romance scam (Need help to so I can come see you), Words with Friends scam (befriending you to gather data on you), Social Security scam (problem with your number and need to verify your number and information), Publishers clearing house scam (need to prepay taxes), Jamaica Lottery scam (pay lawyer fees to transfer winnings), and a myriad of others.

Everyone is at risk as over 37 billion scams had taken place, and the problem has become so bad that the CDC as declared scams as a risk.

Illustrious Richard W. Elliot showed a video by Jason Dorsey which sometimes humorously described the studies between the different generations in their outlook and perceived work ethics. The #1 trend being that entitlement is a learned behavior, and a new group of "Mega-Millennials" which are the true group of

"Me"-llennials. The video went in depth with what to expect from each generational group and the quirks related to each.

Illustrious Richard W. Elliot, and Illustrious Kenneth A. Clay, Jr split a Powerpoint presentation targeted for the Valley officers. It outlined some of the resources available to the officers such as: Brother to Brother, Hauts Grades Academy, The Northern Light, Scottish Rite Blog. The knowledge that the officers should be familiar with such as the valley structure, officer duties and responsibilities, Valley training, valley calendar of events, local charitable endeavors, and the resources available, to them listed above. Illustrious Brother Clay gave a very strong message on communication and its importance.

Other items addressed by Ill. Brother Roth were: welcoming the brothers from VT. The 32 NMJ valley talking points PDF which was now available. ROTC, the Leadership member resource center.

Illustrious Karl Bickford talked on the scholarships.

Ill Brother Elliot talked on the MSA deadline extension and guidelines.

"Thursday night at the Rite" has also been a huge success and conduit for members to stay active and engaged in the degrees.

With the inspirations of this past COD workshop, and with the leadership of the Valley officers, I am confident we can make strides for our fraternity in the areas of Growth, and Innovation. Remembering that even though at times we can not be "together" we should always have in our thoughts our members. The belief and comfort of the brotherly love we all feel for our members under the Scottish Rite Banner is what makes our fraternity a beacon of hope and comfort.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gary E. Roy, 33°, MSA, Chairman

Larry D. Gullett, 33°

William E. Larson, 33°

James S. O'Donnell, 33°

Dennis A. Sheridan, 33°, MSA

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REPORT OF THE MEDIA & PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief and Members of New Hampshire Council of Deliberation:

With the exception of Valley newsletters, communication and publicity for Scottish Rite statewide is almost exclusively through electronic media

This committee thanks those who've provided content and ideas over the past year. Our greatest need is content from our members for the New Hampshire Scottish Rite website, the Valley newsletters, Facebook pages, and blogs.

Social Media

All five Valleys have a Facebook page and a WordPress page for posting news and information. Valleys can link the two, so that one post goes to both places. There continue to be two Scottish Rite Twitter accounts, NH32nd Mason and Valley of Nashua. Valleys can also post to these. Some Valleys have been actively posting to Facebook, while other Valleys have as little as three posts in the last year.

With brand standards for Scottish Rite set by the Supreme Council, our online presence is benefiting with double-headed eagles and a Scottish Rite logo that have been standardized.

BeAFreemason.org

Supreme Council, in conjunction with the Southern Jurisdiction and Shriners unveiled a new website, www.BeAFreemason.org, to be a central point of online information about Freemasonry, and how to join. This follows Supreme Council's "Not Just A Man, A Mason." marketing campaign that was made available at no charge for Grand Lodges and local Masonic Lodges to use. Material is available at www.notjustaman.org, and has been used by Valleys and individual members on Facebook pages, Twitter accounts, and on websites.

Email Campaigns

New Hampshire Consistory invested in software for keeping in contact with its members. It can create a series of emails, called campaigns, to send to members. The campaign

sends an email to members informing them of an event, letting them reply with the click of a button about attending, and if a member takes no action, it can send a follow-up reminder. Although there have been some challenges in implementing these campaigns, responses have improved over the year.

This software also has an online "store front". Consistory can now list events, such as the trip to the Scottish Rite Museum or Thirty-third Testimonial, and let members make a reservation for it online. Members may pay for it by credit card or mail in a check to confirm the reservation. This has proven successful in most instances.

Website

The state website, nhscottishrite.org, has been in use for a little over a year. The format is cleaner and less cluttered-looking than the former site. The website saw "Unique Visits" increase 20% from last year. That's an increase of 2,354 unique visits to 14,206, or almost 1,200/month. The current website had only been active for about three months last year, replacing the old website for the state.

Much of this increase is due to using the website in our email announcements to members. This includes each member who uses the one button click to RSVP his regrets for a meeting. His reply is recorded, and he's brought to a "Thank You" page on the website. Other new pages that have seen traffic to the website include the Consistory Reunion, the June trip to the Scottish Rite Museum, and the Council of Deliberation Proceedings.

Web pages visited

In the last year, the website received just over 4,500 unique visits. For each of those visits, an average of 2.2 pages were looked at. Recent site activity shows the 5 most visited pages are:

1. Home page 2. Thank you page 3. Scholarships 4. Valley of Concord 5. Masonic links

This is about one-third the number of last year's visits to the website – a significant drop. It's even more significant, because visits to the Thank you page are from members that respond to RSVP requests, saying they won't be attending an event.

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In conclusion, we continue to ask all Committees, Valley Officers, and Valley Membership Committee members to assist us by providing photos of Scottish Rite events, as well as press releases for distribution to newspapers and other media outlets. We invite all to share observations and suggestions for bettering all our communication with members and with the public.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert M. Porter, 33°, Chairman

Jeffrey L. Brown, 33°, M.S.A.

Edward N. Lewis, 33°, M.S.A.

Nicholas C. Martel, 33°

Dennis A. Sheridan, 33°, M.S.A.

REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief and Members of New Hampshire Council of Deliberation:

It should come as no surprise that the Scottish Rite in New Hampshire is losing members. Our membership to day is 1,134, down from last year's 1,202. The additions and losses for the year are as follows:

Membership as of June 2019	1,202
<i>Additions</i>	
Candidates	12
Affiliations	3
Restorations	7
TOTAL ADDITIONS	22
<i>Losses</i>	
Deaths	57
Demits	8
Suspensions	8
Discharges	17
TOTAL LOSSES	90
 Membership as of June 2020	 1,134

We lost more than three times the number of Masons who joined the Scottish Rite in New Hampshire. This is the trend we have to reverse.

The Membership Development Committee has prepared an Action Plan; a guide to help valleys develop their own membership programs and to help valleys work together for the benefit of all.

The Membership Development Committee requests the Valleys, starting in the Fall of 2020, review the Action Plan, discuss it at a Stated Meeting and adopt it as a program for the Valley. The Valley's representative on the Membership Development Committee will be at that Stated Meeting and the Chairman of the Membership Development Committee will also attend that meeting if desired.

If we all work together, we can reverse the membership trend and see the Scottish Rite in New Hampshire grow and prosper in the 21st Century.

Submitted,

Richard J. Thompson, Chairman
Alan D. Lugg
William E. Larson
Ronald N. Crane
Karl H. Bickford, III
James S. O'Donnell

Action Plan for 2020-2021

"You never change anything by fighting the existing reality. To change something, build a new model that makes the existing model obsolete." — Buckminster Fuller

INTRODUCTION

In his book *Bowling Alone*, Harvard University Sociology Professor Robert Putnam points out the heyday for organizations in the United States, including the Masonic Fraternity, ran from the end of World War I through the mid-1970s, with the exception of the years of the Great Depression. During this time, civic and

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fraternal groups saw a tremendous increase in membership and we also saw the creation of countless new groups.

For example, the Charity League of Dallas met every Friday morning for 57 years to sew, knit and visit. The last meeting for this group was on April 30, 1999. By then the average age for group members was in their 80s and they had not had a new member join in two years.

Just three days after the Charity League closed its doors, the Vassar Alumnae of Washington, D. C. closed its 51st and last annual book sale, which the group ran to fund its scholarship program. A co-chair for the sale, Alix Myerson, said the volunteers who ran the program "are in their 60s, 70s and 80s. They're dying and they're not replaceable."

The Masonic Fraternity as a whole and the Scottish Rite in particular saw the same heyday as other groups. The Scottish Rite had an added reason for a tremendous increase in membership. At the time of the heyday, Shriners had to be either York or Scottish Rite members. The Scottish Rite had a great many "passthrough" members as Masons joined to get to the Shrine. But as the number of men joining Masonic lodges started to decline, as well as the memberships in other Masonic groups, the Shrine dropped the York or Scottish Rite requirement.

Putnam indicated there were a number of reasons civic and fraternal groups saw a decline in membership starting in the 1970s, but there was one reason in particular that outweighs the others. He said there is a generation that is greatly underrepresented in our membership --the Baby Boomers --the 76 million people born between 1946 and 1964.

The Boomers had a tremendous impact on society simply by their number. Thanks to the Boomers, we saw the birth of organized activities for children and the expansion of social services, such as education. School departments had to make room for this influx of students, starting in the 1950s. School

construction on a massive scale was the result.

The sheer number of Boomers should have meant a continuation of the good times for civic and social groups, but one thing got in the way - the counterculture of the 1960s.

What was happening in the world at the time you come of age has a tremendous effect on your attitudes and beliefs. Generally, you come of age when you reach age 18. For example, even into your elderly years, the music you prefer is the music that was popular when you were in your middle and late teens.

The counterculture of the 60s ran from about 1963 to about 1972. If you look at the ages of our members, you will see there is a dearth of members who were born between 1946 and 1954. Interestingly, 1946 was the year the birth rate had a sharp increase and 1957 was the peak birth year for the United States.

The counterculture rejected the world of the 1950s. The mantra for those who came of age during those years was, "Do your own thing!" Joining a Masonic lodge was not "your own thing." Joining lodges was the thing your fathers and grandfathers did.

There is nothing we can do to change any of this. We provide this information to explain in part how we got where we are today and to lay the groundwork for where we are going tomorrow.

VALLEY MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Each valley should appoint a Membership Committee Chairman who will implement and develop membership programs. It is imperative that the Valley Membership Chairman not be the Valley Representative to the COD Membership Development Committee. In order to build a sound membership program, we have to get more members involved in membership recruitment, not fewer.

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With the assistance of the COD Membership Representative and the Valley Executive Committee, the Valley Membership Chairman recruits a Membership Committee. It is suggested that the committee be composed of two or three veteran and very active members of the valley and as many new members of the Scottish Rite as possible. Those who have been members a short time may be best equipped to recruit new members.

The Valley Membership Committee will be charged with implementing this Action Plan as well as developing other plans. New programs developed by a Valley Committee should be brought to the COD Membership Development Committee so they can be communicated to the other valleys.

NH SCOTTISH RITE MEMBERSHIP PLANNING COMMITTEE

The COD Membership Development Committee recommends the formation of a Membership Planning Committee made up of the five Valley Membership Chairman and two members of the COD Membership Development Committee.

The purpose of this committee will be to ensure the plans of one valley do not interfere with the plans of another, provide assistance to a valley in its membership efforts and to plan statewide and multi-valley membership programs.

THE NEXT STEP

The COD Membership Development Committee requests that each valley discuss and vote to adopt this plan. It will be more successful if the valleys feel an ownership for what we are doing.

The plan can be discussed at valley executive committee meetings and/or stated meetings, a vote on accepting the plan should be held at a stated meeting.

The valley's representative to the COD Membership Development Committee will be available for discussions and votes. In addition, the Chairman of the COD Membership Development Committee will attend discussions and votes if invited.

THE ACTION PLAN

The Action Plan is divided into four sections - Recruit, Retain, Reinvigorate and Masonic Service - the watchwords for the Membership Development Committee and the framework for the committee's efforts.

The plan, however, presents the sections in what the committee considers to be a more logical order - Reinvigorate, Retain, Masonic Service, and Recruit. Each of these subsections is presented in an outline form.

Section 1 – Reinvigorate

The first hurdle we have to clear is bringing inactive members back into the active ranks. And for reinvigoration, the first priority will be members who have recently joined the Scottish Rite and have missed reunions and other activities for only a year or so. Also, in this first priority group are long-term members who were active for quite some time but have been absent for just one or two years since then.

When trying to attract members to return to the active ranks, we will have better luck with members who have been inactive for just a year or two. Older members who have been inactive for five, ten or more years may be too entrenched at being elsewhere.

The reinvigoration plan is as follows:

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1. Call a Brother/Bring a Brother¹

a. Call a Brother

- i. Valley active members contact local brothers they know on the inactive list
- ii. Since inactive members know the brothers calling, there are no cold calls
- iii. Calls should begin as wellness checks
- iv. The brother making the call can then turn the conversation to membership
 1. Why did our brother choose to be inactive in the Scottish Rite?
 2. How did we fail him?
 3. What did he expect from his membership?
- v. For those who have been inactive for years, cold calls may be the only option

b. Bring a Brother

- i. The longer a brother is away, the more difficult returning can be
 1. Active membership may have changed completely
 2. A particular brother's friends may no longer be active
- ii. The offer of a ride to a reunion allows the brother to reinsert himself slowly
 1. Starts by meeting just one brother – the driver
 2. An active member can help an inactive member reintegrate

2. Valley Officers

a. All officers in the valley should attend all reunions

- i. Get to know the active members
- ii. Creates an opportunity to plan the year as presiding officer

b. When you accept an office, you cease to be a volunteer

- i. Officers are expected to attend all reunions and stated meetings
 1. There are illnesses that prevent an officer from attending gatherings periodically
 2. There are unavoidable conflicts
 3. Officers should avoid attending meetings when sick
 4. Officers should be aware of the Scottish Rite schedule to help avoid conflicts
 - a. Stated meetings are generally on a set schedule
 - b. It will be harder to avoid conflicts with reunions
- ii. Being appointed/elected to an office is both an honor and a responsibility
 1. Half of being an effective leader is being visible

¹ Call a Brother/Bring a Brother is a program developed by Wor. O. David LaPlante when he was Master of Merrimack Valley Daylight Lodge in Tewksbury, MA. Through this program the lodge increased its monthly attendance from 13-15 members to 20-25. Daylight Lodge has a total membership of 50, so the increase was from 26-30 percent of total membership to 40-50 percent.

2. While serving, an officer is expected to be readying himself to preside
 - c. Officers appointed and elected are expected to be present at the annual installation
3. NH Valley reunions
 - a. Try to avoid having valley reunions on the same day as other valleys
 - b. If possible, try to avoid presenting the same degree at the same time as other valleys
 - c. May require establishing a NH Scottish Rite Planning Meeting
 - i. Possibly after the COD Workshop or Annual Meeting
 - ii. Could require a change in the way valleys plan
4. Valley Visiting Program
 - a. Visiting valleys can help fill seats at reunions
 - b. Valley membership chairman and COD MDC representative should:
 - i. Recruit drivers to transport members to NH valleys
 1. Drivers should fill their cars
 2. One-on-One contact is the best
 3. It is harder to say no to a brother standing in front of you
 4. When one car fills, it's time to recruit another driver
 - c. Visiting other valleys can have positive effects
 - i. Expands our friendships
 - ii. Seeing how another valley presents a degree can provide ideas for changing home valley's degrees
 - iii. The more you visit, the more brothers will visit you
5. Social Activities
 - a. We have to provide something beyond degrees
 - i. Family activities
 1. Get a brother's family excited about Scottish Rite
 2. Can help recruit members for all Masonic bodies
 - ii. Can also sponsor member-only activities
 1. Present a different look for a degree outside the candidate degrees
 2. Provide opportunities to hear what members want from the Scottish Rite
6. Degrees
 - a. Degrees are the main attraction for a valley
 - i. They have to be done well
 - ii. They have to be as professional as possible
 - b. Valleys should form a Casting Committee
 - i. Build a stable of actors for the valley's degrees
 - ii. Recruit both long-term and new members
 - iii. Casts the degrees after discussion with the director

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1. Directors should focus on the message of the degree
 2. Directors look for ways to stage the degree with the room in mind
 - a. Because we have "always" done it one way doesn't mean we always have to do it that way
 - b. Changing the look of the degree mixes it up for the audience
 - c. With a different look a different part of the degree may be emphasized.
 - d. May have to restage a degree to better fit the room and fit the activities planned for the day
 - iv. We should move actors around
 1. We don't want people entrenched in a part
 - a. Some actors get discouraged with small parts all the time
 - b. Can cause some to lose interest in degrees
 2. Actor could be the lead character one month and a walk-on the next
 - c. Valleys should find acting coaches
 - i. Members who are good at performing in a part
 - ii. Able to help an actor to learn his lines and better play the part
7. Reunions
- a. Use a combination of lived and filmed degrees
 - i. Limit live degrees to one per reunion
 1. Smaller membership dictates limited cast opportunities
 2. Degrees presented must be impressive
 - ii. Spread out the candidate experience
 1. Separate reunions for each body
 2. Can have four live degrees for candidates
 - b. Institute set dates for valley stated meetings and reunions
 - i. Creates the habit of attending Scottish Rite meetings
 - ii. Valley bodies could take turns running a meeting

Section 2 – Retain

Retention programs include everything in Reinvigoration. What we do to get inactive members into the active ranks will also help us to retain new members. There are, however, a few things we can do unique to candidates. The Retention programs unique to new members are:

1. Big Brother Program
 - a. Each candidate gets a Big Brother the night (or day) of his 4th Degree
 - i. Stays with him throughout the event
 - ii. Introduces him to everyone at the degree
 - iii. Makes sure the candidate is comfortable being at the degree

- b. The Big Brother stays with the candidate through his 32nd Degree
- 2. Give them jobs
 - a. Immediately after receiving his degrees the candidate is enthusiastic about the Scottish Rite
 - b. The presiding officers for the valley ask each candidate directly
 - i. Following the degrees for the highest degree in the valley
 - ii. It is hard to say no to a presiding officer
 - iii. Possible jobs include:
 - 1. Assist with reunion registration
 - 2. Greeter
 - 3. Cast member, if interested
 - 4. Stage crew
- 3. Name Badges
 - a. Helpful for candidates
 - i. Takes the pressure off remembering all those names
 - ii. Also helps longer term members
 - b. Each Valley could have own color
 - i. Help foster a valley identity
 - ii. Help foster valley pride
 - c. Can employ a sixth color for Deputy and Active members

Section 3 – Masonic Service

Masonic Service is the bridge that connects Reinvigoration and Retention with Recruitment. Since we draw our members from the Blue Lodges, we must maintain a close, working relationship with our Blue Lodges. The healthier our Blue Lodges are, the healthier the Scottish Rite will be. Masonic Service projects can include:

- 1. Open Houses
 - a. Send Scottish Rite members to every lodge in the valley's area (if possible)
 - i. There to aid and assist the Blue Lodges
 - 1. Wear Square and Compasses emblems
 - a. We are primarily Master Masons
 - b. Our first and most important allegiance is to the lodge
 - ii. Freemasonry is diverse
 - 1. Has groups beyond the Blue Lodge
 - 2. Reinforces the family aspects of the Fraternity
 - 3. Has groups for all interests
 - b. Remember we are there to inform possible Blue Lodge members
 - i. The stronger the Blue Lodges are, the stronger we are
 - ii. Our recruitment starts after the Master Mason Degree

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2. Offer assistance to the lodges
 - a. Publish a list of Scottish Rite members who can fill in for a Blue Lodge officer on a moment's notice.
 - i. Include parts members can do and contact information
 - ii. Include requirements by the member
 1. Distance can travel
 2. Days generally available
 3. Times of the year not available
 - b. Provide after-meeting programs for the lodges
 - i. Speakers on Masonic and non-Masonic topics
 - ii. Public Scottish Rite plays
 - iii. Masonic plays
 - c. Create an all-star Master Mason degree team
 - i. Not a substitute for the officers doing their work
 - ii. Something to attract members back to the lodges
 - iii. If close relative of Scottish Rite member is being raised
3. Sponsor large-scale events lodges can adopt
4. Sponsor more localized activities
 - a. Superbowl parties
 - b. Independence Day picnics
 - c. Deep sea fishing trips
 - d. Anything we can imagine
5. Sponsor a program for Scottish and York Rite members

Section 4 – Recruit

Through recruitment we enlarge and strengthen the Scottish Rite. Valleys that will be successful in recruiting new members are those who get everyone thinking about recruitment and actively looking for Master Masons who would add to the Rite

1. Valley appoints a Membership Committee
 - a. Recruited by the Valley Membership Committee Chairman and the Valley Representative to the COD Membership Development Committee
 - b. Assists the Membership Committee Chairman plan and run membership programs
 - c. Carries the Scottish Rite message into the Blue Lodges
 - i. Gets a copy of the Scottish Rite talking points
 - ii. Announces Scottish Rite events
2. Every active member of the Valley is a Scottish Rite recruiter
 - a. Take opportunities to talk about what the Scottish Rite is doing
 - b. Directly approach a Mason
 - i. Don't ask—tell ("I think you would be a great Scottish Rite Mason!")

1. Explain the core values our degrees illustrate
 2. Talk about our dyslexia centers and other charities
 3. Emphasize the friendships we form
- ii. Hand him an application
 - iii. Know the amount in dues (sure to be a question)
 - iv. Emphasize the theater style of degrees
3. Recruiting²
- a. Masons are attracted to the Scottish Rite for the same reasons men are attracted to Freemasonry – the tenets
 - i. Truth—Some are interested in the lessons we teach and the symbols that remind us of what we are doing
 - ii. Relief—Some are attracted by our charitable efforts and how we reach into the Fraternity and the community to lend assistance
 - iii. Brotherly Love—Some join us for the camaraderie we find at our meetings, reunions, rehearsals and every time two Scottish Rite Masons are together
 - b. What we are offering—a way to continue a Masonic journey, a way to reach further into the community at large to assist those who need us most and the opportunity to build friendships that will last a lifetime

CONCLUSION

This Action Plan emphasizes the need to revitalize our valleys. To do this, we have to attract our inactive members to return to the active ranks. It will be easier to retain new members and even attract new members if our valleys are exciting places to be.

As far as recruitment is concerned, the plan calls for a soft sell. We don't want to twist arms. Instead we want to explain what we get from membership in the Scottish Rite.

Our real message is we are offering an opportunity to meet Masons from across the state. Our product is really simple. We are selling friendships that last a lifetime.

²This section is inspired by a talk given at a New Hampshire Council of Deliberation workshop by Ill.:. Bro. Mark C. Roth when he was the Active for New Hampshire.

DEPUTY'S REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

DEPUTY REPRESENTATIVE REPORT - VALLEY OF CONCORD

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief and Members of New Hampshire Council of Deliberation:

I stated last year that our Valley has as yet not been able to find a brother to take on the roll as Membership Chairman and we still can't find anyone to take on the job. This is a concern which we are not able to solve. On the bright side we did get 7 new members this year which is a lot better than last year and they all seem to be very eager to take part in the Valley. Some have already taken parts in our degrees even though they have not yet become 32 degree Masons. We also held a WebEx meeting with new candidates and Valley officers to explain to them how our Valley works and answer their questions. This was very successful.

Our Executive Committee has come up with a plan to take the new 4 degree on the road to different Lodges and do the degree for a new candidate so he won't have to wait for a reunion. We are also making plans to move our reunions to different parts of the Valley to encourage Brethren who do not like to travel long distances to come to a reunion near them.

I reported last year that we are changing the way we do rehearsals by doing less of them and rehearsing the degree 2 or 3 times in one night therefore reducing the number of nights out. This has worked well and we will continue to do this. The members of the cast are now helping to setup and take down the stage for the degrees therefore requiring less stage crew and training cast members how to do setup. This is working very well. It also promotes good fellowship among the cast and stage crew.

We held our Third Annual Picnic on June 9 and went to the NH Fisher Cats Game on July 27 all who attended had fun. Because

of low attendance at both events for the last 2 years the Executive Committee decided not do them this year. We are looking into some new actives to try out.

We did several degrees this year starting with the 13th degree in Portsmouth on November 2. On March 7 the Valley did the new 4th degree along with the 15th degree and did the 17th degree by video.

At the Testimonial Dinner this year on November 3. Brother Karl Olson received the MSA award and Ill Brothers James Triacca and Troy Patoine received their 33rd degree medals .On November 11 the Valley held a Veteran Awards Program where we presented 18 Military Veterans with the Sammy Lee Davis Award for their military service.

Our annual Thanksgiving Turkey Dinner was held on Sunday November 17 with 85 Brothers and their Family members attending in which everyone had a great time. On November 29 the Valley for the 6 year served Hot Chocolate at the Concord Christmas Tree Lighting in front of the State House. This year we served 10 gallons of Hot Chocolate which was down from last year but the temperature we very cold and the number of people attending was down.

I also had the pleasure of presenting the Deputy Representatives Award to one of our newer brothers Shane Csiki who has become one of our most active members and has taken parts in all our degrees and is a member of the Executive Committee and the Captain of the Guard for Acacia Chapter of Rose Croix Line. Congratulations Shane a well deserved Honor.

I stated last year that we had started to add younger and newer members to our Executive Committee to get new and fresh ideas for the Valley this is starting to pay off as we are seeing the younger members coming up with new and different way to do things. All this will not change overnight but I can see some steps

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going in the right direction. I see the Valley in a lot better position than last year at this time.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ill.:. Alan D. Lugg, 33°

Deputy's Representative, Valley of Concord

DEPUTY REPRESENTATIVE REPORT - VALLEY OF KEENE

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief and Members of New Hampshire Council of Deliberation

The Valley of Keene had a tough year. Several of our key leaders experienced the trials of life this year.

The Valley of Keene lost one its most distinguished members, Illustrious Brother Robert Warren Heald, 33°, MSA, Past Presiding Officer, Past Deputy Representative. We will certainly miss the input of this very active Mason, who participated in the leadership of the Valley of Keene until the end of his days.

Like most Valley's, Keene is experiencing lack of numbers, which impacts the leadership positions. We have formulated the leadership lines, in conjunction with Supreme Council allowances, to coordinate our two bodies leadership lines by alternating presiding officers and their corresponding lines in alternating election cycles. We began this style a number of years ago and it worked pretty well until the calamities of life claimed the time of an incoming presiding officer to attend to family – as was his correct priority. At the same time our line has been affected by many of our leaders taking very active roles in their Blue Lodges. A number of our leaders have, or are currently serving as Master of their Lodge, either for the first time or another tour to give leadership experience to the Blue Lodges. Others have shown such promise as leaders that the Grand Lodge has called upon them to fulfill District office duties. We can never begrudge the Scottish Rite Mason who answers the call to the Blue Lodge,

without it, Scottish Rite will not be. This confluence of factors is nothing new in Masonry and certainly not unique to the Valley of Keene, however, the impact is felt forcefully in a small valley.

The Valley of Keene has been very fortunate to experience active participation among members in our degree rehearsals and reunions over the years. As my Masonic duties allow me to travel to other Valley's the falling numbers is not a problem unique to Keene. The leadership has met and planned a number of events over the past two years, particularly, and has canceled due to lack of reservations for participation.

In January, the Valley leaders met with the Active Membership for New Hampshire and discussed a number of social functions that other Masonic Districts and Valleys are finding success with; like dinner at a local establishment, pay your own way, invite your family members for a time of fellowship. We also discussed with the Active membership, as we have discussed at the Valley level, to not be concerned about the numbers of participants but rather holding the event, a success in itself.

As the breath of Spring hopes came upon us, so did COVID 19, the worldwide flu pandemic that over a two-month period; shuttered most businesses, caused 30% unemployment, nearly 100,000 deaths in the US, at this writing, and untold fallout yet to be seen. This impacted Freemasonry greatly, as meetings, gatherings and buildings have been ordered closed by government authority. Following guidelines and acting in, what we hope is in the best interest of the health as safety of our members, the leadership at all levels has canceled our meetings. Freemasonry in general will work diligently to "open up" our Lodges and Valley's as we "open up our country again". With great adversity comes great opportunity. With this pandemic having taken away human contact and interaction we have an opportunity to meet over the summer to put our leadership together and start planning for the fall season. I believe we have an opportunity to begin our social programming to reunite the

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brethren and in the age of "social distancing" and limited numbers, I believe Rite on the Road, where the Valley can take degrees by video or live portrayal to the District Lodges for presentation to an audience that may not otherwise travel to the Valley reunion. A combination of local social events and local degree programming has a chance to reinvigorate, ignite and engage our audiences.

It has been a challenging year, no doubt, but I am confident that a phoenix will rise from the ashes of the pandemic and those seven deadly words "We've never done it this way before" will be spoken regularly as we answer the call to something we've never seen before and overcome it.

One hundred years ago, Scottish Rite was a much smaller organization, the country was returning from war and the Spanish Flu was rampant world-wide, but over the decade following these horrifying events, Scottish Rite adopted stage performance utilizing the latest technology and built beautiful cathedrals that were a beacon for men who were looking to improve their world by improving themselves. So too in Freemasonry, and in the Valley of Keene, do we have the opportunity to re-tune and reinvent. The Scottish Rite, NMJ, is a very nimble organization and we are fortunate to be involved with an organization that embraces change. In the Valley of Keene, as we "open up", things may not look the same anymore, but the underlying principles will bolster our group and we will press forward in a new way.

Thank you to our Illustrious Deputy, Mark C. Roth, 33° for your continued confidence in me as your representative and for all the assistance and counsel you provide.

Fraternally,

William E. Larson 33°
Deputy's Representative, Valley of Keene

DEPUTY REPRESENTATIVE REPORT
VALLEY OF LANCASTER-LITTLETON

It has been my privilege and pleasure to serve the Valley of Lancaster-Littleton as the Deputy's Representative for Ill. Mark C. Roth, 33° for the State of New Hampshire for the eighth time this year.

I was unable to personally attend the Joint Valley Degree on Saturday, November 2, 2019 due to a work commitment; several of our members did attend and enjoyed the work immensely.

On Sunday, November 3, 2019 the Valley members attended the MSA Testimonial held at the Bektash Shrine Center. There we had the privilege of welcoming the newly made recipients of the MSA. We also had the distinct pleasure of witnessing the public announcement that Bro. David A. Rich, MSA had been nominated to receive and be coroneted a 33° Degree Mason at the Supreme Council Annual Meeting in Cleveland Ohio in August, 2021. Our little Valley is very excited about his nomination and cannot wait to welcome him into the circle of 33° Degree Masons.

During the month of February, 2020 the Valley of Lancaster-Littleton was busy holding rehearsals for the presentation of the 18th Degree in April.

As we all know, on March 16, 2020 our Masonry and Scottish Rite Masonry changed as we knew it for the foreseeable future due to the Edict issued by our Grand Master and also further instruction from our Ill. Deputy Brother Mark C. Roth.

I cannot speak for others, but this sudden shut down of our meeting obligations was a shock to my system when I suddenly had no place to be.

Well Brethren, as we all know Masonry found a way to change that and suddenly our evenings were full of "Zoom" and "Go To" meetings and Thursday Nite at the Rite. I know the Valley of Lancaster-Littleton members have very much enjoyed the virtual meetings with our Ill. Deputy on Mondays. I was happy to find that there were eight Valley members present on one Monday evening session.

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I also hear that the Valley members very much enjoy the presentations of "Thursday Nite at the Rite" as often as they are able to attend.

On May 15, 2020 the Valley Annual Meeting was held online via Zoom. Elections were held with the following brothers re-elected and installed as Presiding Officers for the 2020-2021 year:

Brother Mark H. Blodgett, 32° —Thrice Potent Master

Brother John Loven, 32° —Most Wise Master

Brother David Rich MSA, 32° —Sovereign Prince

The tentative Valley calendar for 2020-2021 was presented and approved, all subject to change at the direction of our Grand Master, State Government and Health Department Officials.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend a hearty welcome on behalf of the entire Valley to our newest Active Member of the Supreme Council, Ill. Bro. Kenneth A. Clay, 33°. We all look forward to working with you in the years to come.

On behalf of the entire Valley of Lancaster-Littleton I would like to once again extend heartfelt thanks for the support and guidance given to us this year by Ill. Brother Mark C. Roth, 33° Active Member of the Supreme Council, Deputy for the State of New Hampshire, Ill. Brother Richard W. Elliot 33°, Grand Minister of State and Ill. Brother Robert E. Hanson, 33° Active Emeritus of the Supreme Council AASR. Under your guidance we have been able to face the unique challenges put in front of us this year, we have had our faith renewed in the power of Masonry to make us better men, and to paraphrase our Sovereign Grand Commander's message on my birthday card, we are assured that whatever life throws at us, we have millions of brothers to help us catch it.

As always, the Valley of Lancaster-Littleton continues to be "The Little Valley that Could".

Respectfully Submitted,

Ill. Ronald N. Crane 33°

Deputy's Representative, Valley of Lancaster-Littleton

DEPUTY REPRESENTATIVE REPORT - VALLEY OF NASHUA

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief and members of the New Hampshire Council of Deliberation:

This is my report of the Valley of Nashua for the 2019-2020 year. It has again been my honor to serve as your Deputy's Representative for this past year. Although the year started out in a fairly in normal fashion the national events that came to pass, as you know had a significant effect on not only our Valley, but Freemasonry in general.

At the very outset I was so pleased to hear that our Thrice Potent Master Br. Roland N. Petersen, M.S.A was elected in Milwaukee, Wisconsin at the Supreme Council's annual session to receive the 33°. I have known Br. Petersen and have worked with him in the Valley for many years. I can think of no-one more deserving of this high honor.

Our fall activities included a presentation of the 4° directed by Br. Adam J. Freiband on October 22, 2019. We tried a little different format by holding our Kickoff Dinner preceding the degree and an afterglow in the banquet hall following the ceremonies. This was a success and we may well try this again when degree work resumes. (It should be noted that our Illustrious Deputy participated in all of the 4° presentations this season.) As it turned out this performance would serve as a real dress rehearsal for the Joint Valley reunion in November.

The Joint Valley Reunion was held in Portsmouth on Saturday, November, 2nd.

The Valley of Nashua's Aaron P. Hughes Lodge of Perfection, as previously stated presented the 4° while other members of the Lodge performed the 11° under the direction of Ill. Br. Jerome T. Becker, 33°, M.S.A. and Br. Richard J. Thompson, M.S.A.

On the very next day at the Council of Deliberation's annual awards banquet I was pleased to introduce my friend and Brother Ill. Jerome T. Becker, 33°, M.S.A. who received his 33° in

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Milwaukee, Wisconsin this past summer.

I was also able to congratulate Br. David W. Smith on receiving his M.S.A. award this year.

The winter/spring season began with a Kick Off dinner on January 8, 2020 in preparation for an encore performance of the 4°, as well as, the 16° and 18°.

On February 4th the 4°, was presented again under the direction of Br. Adam J. Freiband and the 16° directed by Ill. Br. Jerome T. Becker, 33°, M.S.A. and Ill. Br. Larry D. Gullett, 33° were also portrayed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ill.: Karl H. Bickford, Ill, 33°, M.S.A.

Deputy's Representative, Valley of Nashua

Scottish Rite in New Hampshire

INITIATES IN LODGES OF PERFECTION

	<i>2016-2017</i>	<i>2017-2018</i>	<i>2018-2019</i>	<i>2019-2020</i>
Concord	6	3	1	
Keene	1	0	1	
Lancaster-Littleton	0	2	2	
Nashua	3	3	5	
Portsmouth-Dover	4	2	5	
Totals	14	10	14	

MEMBERSHIP IN LODGES OF PERFECTION

	<i>2016-2017</i>	<i>2017-2018</i>	<i>2018-2019</i>	<i>2019-2020</i>
Concord	318	304	279	
Keene	126	110	102	
Lancaster-Littleton	126	122	118	
Nashua	369	353	315	
Portsmouth-Dover	455	431	411	
Totals	1,394	1,320	1,225	

MEMBERSHIP IN COUNCILS OF PRINCES OF JERUSALEM

	<i>2016-2017</i>	<i>2017-2018</i>	<i>2018-2019</i>	<i>2019-2020</i>
Concord	318	304	279	
Keene	126	110	102	
Lancaster-Littleton	126	122	118	
Nashua	369	353	315	
Portsmouth-Dover	455	431	411	
Totals	1,394	1,320	1,225	

MEMBERSHIP IN CHAPTERS OF ROSE CROIX

	<i>2016-2017</i>	<i>2017-2018</i>	<i>2018-2019</i>	<i>2019-2020</i>
Concord	321	308	280	
Lancaster-Littleton	126	122	118	
Nashua	490	457	413	
Portsmouth-Dover	455	431	411	
Totals	1,392	1,318	1,222	

MEMBERSHIP IN CONSISTORY

	<i>2016-2017</i>	<i>2017-2018</i>	<i>2018-2019</i>	<i>2019-2020</i>
Nashua	1,362	1,291	1,201	

LIVING RECIPIENTS OF THE
MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

<i>Name and Valley</i>	<i>Date award voted</i>
John Everett Bigelow, 32°, Lancaster-Littleton	June 7, 1969
Robert Smith Gowitzke, 32°, Lancaster-Littleton	June 5, 1976
David James Bailey, Jr., 33°, Keene	June 6, 1981
Louis Leroy Dow, Sr., 33°, Portsmouth-Dover	June 2, 1984
John Monroe Walker, 32°, Concord	June 6, 1987
Mark Augustus Marden, 32°, Nashua	June 3, 1989
Eric Eneberg Anderson, 33°, Keene	June 3, 1989
Thomas James Desalvo, 33°, Concord	June 2, 1990
Richard Frank Doble, 33°, Keene	June 1, 1991
Clement Wayne Libby, Jr., 33°, Nashua	June 5, 1993
John Hayes Sanders, Jr., 32°, Portsmouth-Dover	June 3, 1995
Robert Daniel Coppo, 33°, Keene	June 1, 1996
Roger Warren Gaskill, 33°, Nashua	June 7, 1997
Edward Norval Lewis, 33°, Concord	June 7, 1997
Aldine Jack Tillotson, 33°, Lancaster-Littleton	June 7, 1997
Richard Edson Melvin, 33°, Concord	June 6, 1998
Sumner Goldman, 33°, Concord	June 5, 1999
Martin Wendell Curtis, 32°, Portsmouth-Dover	June 3, 2000
George Dixon Van Dyke, 33°, Nashua	June 3, 2000
Russell Sheldon Bell, 32°, Concord	June 2, 2001
Mervyn Charles Frink, 32°, Keene	June 2, 2001
Robert Wayne Lawrie, 33°, Concord	June 1, 2002
Ronald Edgar Metcalf, 33°, Portsmouth-Dover	June 1, 2002
Walter William Lovell, 33°, Portsmouth-Dover	June 5, 2004
Dennis Allan Sheridan, 33°, Lancaster-Littleton	June 5, 2004
Treffley Ernie Sage, 33°, Nashua	June 4, 2005
Robert Campbell Lethbridge, 33°, Concord	June 4, 2005
Wayne Irvin Elliot, 32°, Portsmouth-Dover	June 3, 2006
David Edward Lewis, 32°, Lancaster-Littleton	June 3, 2006
Panos Alexander Pitsas, 33°, Keene	June 3, 2006
Roger Joseph Pellerin, 33°, Nashua	June 2, 2007
Mark Adrian Weir, 33°, Portsmouth-Dover	June 2, 2007
Stephen Karl Bahsler, 33°, Nashua	June 7, 2008

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LIVING RECIPIENTS OF THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD (Continued)

<i>Name and Valley</i>	<i>Date award voted</i>
Ronald Freddy Scovil, 32°, Concord	June 7, 2008
Donald Ralph Willoughby, 32°, Portsmouth-Dover	June 7, 2008
Karl Hudson Bickford, III, 33°, Nashua	June 5, 2010
Gary Edward Roy, 33°, Concord	June 5, 2010
James Edward Ryan, 32°, Portsmouth-Dover	June 5, 2010
Verne Sawyer Anderson, Jr., 32°, Portsmouth-Dover	June 4, 2011
Roger Alfred Becker, 33°, Concord	June 4, 2011
Dennis Webster, 33°, Nashua	June 4, 2011
Thomas Gardner LaBerge, 32°, Portsmouth-Dover	June 2, 2012
James Martin Triacca, 32°, Concord	June 2, 2012
Ralph Raymond Currier Jr., 32°, Portsmouth-Dover	June 1, 2013
Jeffrey Lloyd Brown, 33°, Portsmouth-Dover	June 7, 2014
David Scott Collins, 32°, Lancaster-Littleton	June 7, 2014
Kenneth Edgar Davis, Jr., 32°, Concord	June 7, 2014
James Wendell Greene, 32°, Nashua	June 7, 2014
William Warren Arvidson, 32°, Nashua	June 6, 2015
John Michael Bys, 32°, Keene	June 6, 2015
Jerome Thomas Becker, 32°, Nashua	June 4, 2016
Michael Francis Ripberger, 32°, Concord	June 4, 2016
Mark David Ciarametaro, 32°, Concord	June 10, 2017
Roland Norman Petersen, 32°, Nashua	June 10, 2017
Richard John Thompson, 32°, Nashua	June 10, 2017
Robert Stanley Bean, III, 32°, Nashua	June 2, 2018
Jeffrey Chaplin Grant, 32°, Portsmouth-Dover	June 2, 2018
David Alan Rich, 32°, Lancaster-Littleton	June 2, 2018
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Activities and Testimonials:

- Hosts the annual Testimonial for new 33rd Honorary Members of SC and Recipients of the Meritorious Service Award including the selection of the facility, caterer, social hour; sell tickets and collect money from sales of tickets; flower arrangements and/or center pieces; and provide for a Master of Ceremonies
 - The event will include a social/cocktail hour before dinner
 - Dinner
 - Ceremony to present the MSA to recipients elected by the NH Council of Deliberation at its Annual Meeting
 - Introduction of new 33rds Honorary Members of Supreme Council
 - Presentation of 33rd jewels
 - Brief comments by new 33rds
- Consults with the Deputy about special requests or arrangements
- Writes a report for the annual meeting of the Council of Deliberation to be included in the Proceedings

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Constitutions and Laws

- Required by the Constitution of New Hampshire Council of Deliberation
- Reviews the Constitution of NH Council of Deliberation to determine the need for any Amendments.
- Introduces amendment(s) as may be required
- Interprets the NH Council of Deliberation Constitution as it applies to AASR in NH
- Writes a report for the annual meeting of the Council of Deliberation to be included in the Proceedings

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Credentials:

- Required by the Constitution of New Hampshire Council of Deliberation
- Registers Council of Deliberation attendees at the annual meeting and workshop
 - Valley Officers
 - 33rds
 - MSAs
 - Officers of NH Council of Deliberation
 - Past Presiding Officers
- Reports the number of attendees at the annual meeting in categories of eligibility
- Writes a report for the annual meeting of the Council of Deliberation to be included in the Proceedings

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Education and Leadership Development

- Provides educational opportunities for the members of the NH Council of Deliberation
- Provides leadership development opportunities for the members of the NH Council of Deliberation
- Consults with the Commander-in-Chief (Deputy for NH) to develop and promote appropriate opportunities consistent with the programs and objects of Supreme Council
- Participates in the annual Council of Deliberation workshop
- Writes a report for the annual meeting of the Council of Deliberation to be included in the Proceedings

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Finance

- Required by the Constitution of New Hampshire Council of Deliberation
- Prepares the budget of NH Council of Deliberation
- Examines expenses of the Council of Deliberation of past years
- Anticipates expenses of the upcoming fiscal year
- Consults with the Commander-in-Chief (Deputy for NH) regarding any planned expenses within the next year or 3 to 5 years
- Considers membership trends and impact on NH Council of Deliberation functions
- Considers economic conditions and impact on NH Council of Deliberation
- Calculates the per member cost to the Valleys to support NH Council of Deliberation
- Audits the books of the NH Council of Deliberation Treasurer
- Writes a report for the annual meeting of the Council of Deliberation to be included in the Proceedings

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Media and Publicity

- Establishes and promotes the efficient use of appropriate electronic media directed to public and fraternal audiences.
 - Develops standards for content management
 - Maintains content to insure current and accurate information
- Develops and/or distributes other communications such as press releases as may be required, for example, election of 33rd, MSA, Scholarship recipients.
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Membership Development

- Required by the Constitution of New Hampshire Council of Deliberation
Develops and Promotes membership programs
- Growth
- Retention
- Suggests Membership Education programs
- Writes a report for the annual meeting of the Council of Deliberation to be included in the Proceedings

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Meritorious Service

- Required by the Constitution of New Hampshire Council of Deliberation
- Communicates with Valley Presiding Officers and NH Consistory Commander-in- Chief to obtain recommendations for the Meritorious Service Award (MSA)
- Describes the MSA itself, its purpose, and qualifications for Presiding Officers and Commander-in-Chief to use in their consideration of Valley members
- States clearly that those members who have received the 33rd degree are not eligible for nomination for the MSA
- Establishes a deadline for recommendation submittal
Reviews all recommendations
- Nominates not more than three (3) of those recommended to NH Council of Deliberation for election.
- Writes a report for the annual meeting of the Council of Deliberation to be included in the Proceedings

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Necrology

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Nomination

- Required by the Constitution of New Hampshire Council of Deliberation
- Considers members of the NH Council of Deliberation for office in NH COD
- Consults with the Commander-in-Chief (Deputy for NH) regarding nominations
- Nominates officers of NH Council of Deliberation
Writes a report for the annual meeting of the Council of Deliberation to be included in the Proceedings

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Scholarship

- Promotes the Abbott Scholarships of the Supreme Council
- Promotes the William E. Bryant Scholarship sponsored by NH Consistory
- Receives scholarship applications and reviews according to established guidelines
- Scores/rates applications and awards scholarship
- Obtains matching scholarship awards from NH Consistory
- Writes a report for the annual meeting of the Council of Deliberation to be included in the Proceedings

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Youth

- Required by the Constitution of New Hampshire Council of Deliberation
- Provide positive support for DeMolay for Boys and Rainbow for Girls
- Writes a report for the annual meeting of the Council of Deliberation to be included in the Proceedings

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Supreme Council Charities

- Promotes the charities of the Supreme Council
 - Almoner's Fund
 - Scottish Rite Masonic Museum & Library
 - Abbott Scholarships
- Promotes the "Blue Envelope" Appeal available at every opportunity
- Writes a report for the annual meeting of the Council of Deliberation to be included in the Proceedings. The report should include the:
 - Number of NH Scottish Rite Masons contributing
 - Total amount contributed

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