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Valley of Moline

Fall 2016

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SCOTTISH RITE DAY NOVEMBER 12TH, 2016



The Valley of Moline, in conjunction with the Valleys of Peoria and Bloomington, will participate in the Scottish Rite Day on November 12, 2016, in Peoria. This one-day reunion will start at 12:30 p.m. with the 9th Degree presented by the Valley of Moline, followed by the 22nd Degree by the Valley of Bloomington and then the 32nd Degree by the Valley of Peoria. Doors will open at 10:00 a.m. and there is plenty of parking.

There will be a social hour from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. with the banquet starting at 5:30 p.m. The two-course meal will feature Bourbon Glazed Chicken, Ale Braised Short Ribs, Rosemary Baby Baked Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables, Tossed Salad with Ranch and Raspberry Vinaigrette Dressing, Dinner Rolls and Butter, Iced Tea, Water, Coffee, and a variety of desserts. Cost is only \$30 per person with reservations due in the office by Noon on November 7th. Payment is not required at the time of making your reservation. There will be a short program following the banquet. Dress for the men will be suit and tie, hat and jewels. For the ladies, appropriate dinner attire.

There will be a Ladies Program entitled Vino and Van Gogh during the afternoon at a cost of \$10 per lady that includes samples of vino and the program. Reservations for this event are also due by Noon on November 7th.

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Board Meetings: 2nd Monday at 6:30 PM
 Stated Meetings: 2nd Monday at 7:30 PM
 Annual Corporation Meeting:
 2nd Monday in May
 Office Hours:
 9:00 AM—Noon • Monday thru Friday

Summer is nearly over as we see many of the farmers working diligently on the fall harvest. I don't know a more dedicated group of individuals than the farm community. Each year they work their fields in hopes of having a bountiful harvest.

This is also the way the fall season is in the Valley of Moline as we see our Fall Reunion swiftly approaching. The Fraternal Relations Committee has been working hard to promote membership growth, a must for our Valley. This Committee promoted and organized one of the most successful events of the year, the Scottish Rite Picnic, September 7th. All in attendance experienced the finest in food, fellowship, and weather.

Brother Kent Trimble was our keynote speaker and did an excellent job relating to the theme, Scottish Rite and Families. Our Valley must meet many needs if we are to continue to be successful. No Valley need is greater than membership growth. Our Fraternal Relations Committee suggests that our Fall Class should be 30 or more to meet the needs of a successful reunion. Will our Fall Class be lean or will it be bountiful and exceed our goal of 30 new Scottish Rite Masons?

Will your name be on the Top Line of a candidate's petition? If it is, the Heads of the Bodies will be pleased to award you with a banquet ticket to our Reunion Banquet. If you are the Top Line Signer on the most petitions at the reunion, it will be my pleasure to present to you the Commander-in-Chief's Award.

Again, I will be contacting all Master Masons whose names and addresses are sent to me or to our Valley office to help promote membership growth. Let us work together to encourage Brother Master Masons along the path toward Scottish Rite to insure a successful Fall Reunion, October 24th, 25th and 26th.

In another area of this publication, you will find a petition for membership. If additional petitions are needed, they can be obtained by contacting our Valley office. Come on in and enjoy the fellowship and fun. We always look forward to seeing each of you.

L. Thomas Balmer, 33°
Commander-in-Chief



Illinois Scottish Rite Reunion Dates

Valley of Bloomington November 12, 2016 March 4, 2017 November 3-4, 2017	Valley of Freeport April 15, 2017 October 28, 2017	Valley of Quincy March 31 - April 1, 2017 November 3-4, 2017
Valley of Chicago November 5 & 12, 2016 April 6-9, 2017 November 3-4, 2017	Valley of Moline November 12, 2016 March 17-18, 2017 October 20-21, 2017	Valley of Southern Illinois April 29, 2017 October 21, 2017
Valley of Danville November, 18-19, 2016 April 7-8, 2017 November 10-11, 2017	Valley of Peoria November 12, 2016 November 3-4, 2017	Valley of Springfield March 4, 2017 October 14, 2017

The Valley of Moline offers two Scottish Rite Clubs for their members to join and share in good fellowship and food with locations throughout our area.

- Sauk Trail Scottish Rite Club meets third Monday in November at Sweet Peas in Geneseo - Social gathering at 6 pm followed by dinner and program at 6:30 pm.
- Horseshoe Bend Scottish Rite Club will meet the third Monday in January, 2017 Welcome Inn in Milan. Dinner at 6:30 pm off the menu followed by a program.

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Eternal Rest

Warren Williams

August 9, 2016

Thomas Scott Sr.

August 25, 2016

Kenneth Beaver

September 4, 2016

Dalton Thomas

September 20, 2016

Well Done, Good and
Faithful Servants!

Sam reached his 80th birthday and looked it. However, he didn't feel it. So he decided to retire with a new life style. He dyed his hair black, had silicone shots put into his cheeks, went to a gym, got mod clothes and he really looked 30 years younger. He bought himself a sports car, put the top down, and picked up a lovely young woman waiting for a bus.

Just as she got into the car, a bolt of lightning struck and killed him. He went to heaven and stood in front of God, exclaiming, "God, why me?" And God said, "I'm sorry, Sam, I didn't recognize you."

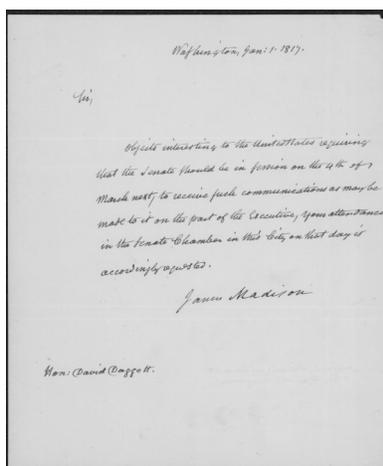
Digitized documents from the Scottish Rite Masonic Museum & Library are now online!

By Jeffrey Croteau, Director of Library & Archives, Scottish Rite Masonic Museum & Library, Lexington, MA

The Scottish Rite Masonic Museum & Library has recently launched the **Van Gorden-Williams Library & Archives Digital Collections** website (<http://digitalvgw.omeka.net>), which was created in order to provide Scottish Rite members access to some of the riches of the Library & Archives collection.

The site currently includes around 500 documents from the Library & Archives collection and continues to grow. Among the items that have been digitized so far are a large variety of Masonic certificates, a number of founding documents of the Scottish Rite, and a variety of other materials reflective of the depth and breadth of the Library & Archives collection.

One document that may be of interest to those who enjoy seeing where American political history and Scottish Rite history overlap, is the President James Madison (1751-1825) David Daggett's presence at a special 4, 1817. At this session, Vice President Monroe was sworn into office, just prior to his official inauguration ceremony from 1807 until 1817 and then Monroe from 1817 to 1825. Tompkins' cause of his Scottish Rite connection. Jurisdiction's first Sovereign Grand



document pictured here. In this letter, 1836) requests Connecticut Senator session of the Senate held on March 4, 1817, or to newly elected President James Monroe. Tompkins was governor of New York from 1807 until 1817 and then served as Vice President under Monroe from 1817 to 1825. Tompkins' name may also be familiar to you because he served as the Northern Masonic Commander from 1813 until 1825.

The Madison letter is among items collected by G. Edward Elwell, Jr., Autograph Collection (Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania) and a professional printer. The items in the Elwell Collection, which was generously donated to the Museum & Library by the Caldwell Consistory, span nearly 500 years of history (1489-1960), and each contains the signature of a well-known figure from American or European history.

digitized from the Library & Archives' collection which consists of documents 33° (1886-1969) a member of Cald-

The **Van Gorden-Williams Library & Archives Digital Collections** website is built on the Omeka platform, an open source web-publishing platform for the online display of library, museum, archives, and scholarly collections and exhibitions. The Digital Collections website gives users access to high resolution images of each document. Robust cataloging for each document insures that users searching for materials will find them.

We hope that you'll explore the **Van Gorden-Williams Library & Archives Digital Collections** website and take a look at the many wonderful documents that the Library & Archives preserves and makes accessible through the generosity of the Supreme Council, 33°, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, NMJ, USA, and its members. Let us know what you think. We are always happy to receive feedback from users.

The Van Gorden-Williams Library & Archives is located just off the main lobby of the Scottish Rite Masonic Museum & Library in Lexington, Massachusetts and is open to the public 10 am to 4 pm, Wednesday-Saturday. Reference assistance is provided in person, by phone, or by e-mail. You may contact us at 781-457-4109 or library@srmml.org.

Photo Caption:

Letter from President James Madison to Senator David Daggett, 1817 January 1, Collection of Scottish Rite Masonic Museum & Library, Lexington, Massachusetts, USM 009. Gift of Caldwell Consistory, Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania. [Available online at:

<http://digitalvgw.omeka.net/items/show/91>



Valley of Moline Annual Christmas Party Saturday, December 10, 2016



The Valley of Moline is once again gearing up to host its Annual Children's Christmas Party on Saturday, December 10, 2016. Festivities will start at 1:00 p.m. and go until 4:00 p.m. All children are invited along with their parents for an afternoon filled with entertainment, cookies, fruit punch, and grab bags. Of course complete without a visit from them will make an appearance children will be welcome to come to receive a goody bag from

Santa and Mrs. Claus are excited in the Quad Cities to come and children, the neighbor's children, the more the merrier. All are aged to spread the word about families.

Plans have been made to include an inflatable jump house along with some special entertainment for the whole family. This is an excellent opportunity to get right into the holiday spirit after Thanksgiving. See you there.



no Christmas Party would not be Santa and Mrs. Claus. Both of between 2:00 and 2:30 p.m. Children on stage and visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus.

tending an invitation to everyone celebrate in this event. Bring your children, children from across the area Masonic Bodies are encouraged this Party to their members and

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A handsome, new jewel, similar to the one pictured here, is being commissioned. The jewel will be available in November, 2016, to all who have been made a Scottish Rite Mason. Each candidate receiving the 32° in the fall of 216, will be presented this commemorative jewel free of charge, others may purchase this one-of-a-kind jewel for \$25

Candidates are needed to receive this new jewel. Ask a Lodge Brother who is not a member about joining Scottish Rite. Have them to join those that have recently petitioned. Some good events are planned for the Fall National Scottish Rite Reunion.



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KNIGHTS OF SAINT ANDREW VALLEY OF MOLINE

Very few Scottish rite masons are aware of the Knights of St. Andrew, who they are and what we do. In the valley of Moline, that may be due to the fact that we don't currently have our own chapter, yet, If there is enough interest in starting a chapter, we have the support of the bodies in Moline to begin this noble endeavor.

Mission To bring together 32° Scottish Rite Masons for the purpose of supporting the Valley of Moline in all the functions and activities of the Rite and to give focus to the moral applications of every Scottish Rite degree in order to put its members on the path to knowledge and leadership.

Requirements: You must be a 32° Mason to join. MSA and 33° members are not eligible to join. You must be a member in good standing in the Valley of Moline Scottish Rite. You must have a desire to serve without expectation of reward. You must be committed to promoting our Fraternity in the best possible light. You must be willing to improve yourself in the knowledge of the SR degrees.

What duties do the KStA perform?

- ◆ Greet members and candidates.
- ◆ Assist with registration of members and candidates.
- ◆ Welcome visitors and assist them as needed.
- ◆ Serve as guides for new candidates
- ◆ Provide escort service for dignitaries/ spouses.
- ◆ Assist with Scottish Rite membership development.
- ◆ Make presentations on the KStA and the Scottish Rite at local Lodges.
- ◆ Assist in various committees as requested.
- ◆ Assist the VOM bodies in setting up the meeting room.
- ◆ Assist the make-up and wardrobe personnel.
- ◆ Assist the stage crew.
- ◆ Assist the VOM bodies with degree work
- ◆ Exemplify the 29th Degree (Knight of St. Andrew).
- ◆ Perform Color/Honor Guard duties.
- ◆ Promote and/or participate in special events.
- ◆ Perform other duties as requested by the VOM presiding officers.

If you are interested in being a part of the Knights of St Andrew valley of Moline,
contact Jamie Emery
Jamie.Emery@CecoBuildings.net

Catch "The Rainbow"

The month of October for Moline assembly #22 has been busy. We started off by having two different scavenger hunts. The first hunt was a fun meeting involving only Moline assembly. The girls split up into two groups established by the worthy advisor Niesha Elsey. Both teams were very excited about the scavenger hunt making the event a lot of fun, due to the high energy from the girls. The hunt ended with a heated debate over which team was victorious but in true Rainbow fashion the girls agreed it was a tie and both teams enjoyed some victory cookies donated to us by Mrs. Betty House.

The second scavenger hunt was a district 9 costume scavenger hunt. Several girls from Faith assembly and Bushnell came out. Including Grand Worthy Associate Advisor Alyssa Smith and Grand Service Sky Lafary. The district wide scavenger hunt also included Templar Chapter, we were happily joined by Ben Dosh. This scavenger hunt was split up girls versus boys. In the end the girls won and everyone returned to Faiths' temple for chili made by Mrs. Jan Birdsell. While at the temple the girls also got a chance to scavenge through dresses donated by Eastern Star and brought by Mother Advisor Sandy Dosh of Faith Assembly.

So far this month Moline assembly has been involved in several service projects/fundraisers. We happily assisted in a pancake breakfast, held a taco lunch/ bake sale at hope church, and helped Mrs. Jayne Boore in serving and cleanup at her brother's wedding reception.

All in all it's been a pretty hectic but amazing month for Moline assembly #22, and next month is going to be even better. Starting on November 1st the girls will be collecting toys for Toys for Tots'. The fundraiser will go on until December 10. If you are interested in donating there will be a toy box at the Scottish Rite cathedral. Toys for Tots only accepts new unopened and unwrapped toys. All donations are welcomed and appreciated. The girls are also looking forward to performing, "15 Reasons Not To Be In A Play" for the Black Hawk Shrine Club on November 10th at 7pm.

In Rainbow Love and Service
Michelle Rangle

From The Secretary's Desk Ed Walker 33°



Hope everyone is making plans to attend the Scottish Rite Day activities at the Valley of Peoria on Saturday, November 12, 2016. The Valleys of Moline, Peoria, and Bloomington are teaming up for a day of degrees and fellowship. A schedule of activities are listed elsewhere in this issue.

Rentals and inquiries have picked up a bit with a lot of interest in weddings for 2017. The building just played host to the Quad City Ballet and the Moline Booster Club for their annual Halloween Bash. Our Annual Christmas Party is coming up on Saturday, December 10th. All area children are welcome to come and enjoy some fun and a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus.

If you know of a Brother who is ill, in the hospital or in a nursing home, please let me know so that they may be included in our sickness and distress list. Our members like to keep in touch with those in need of our thoughts and prayers.

New email address for the Valley is srite1@att.net.

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 knowledge, let
 others light their
 candles at it."
Thomas Fuller

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Learning Center News for October and November

We have started our tutoring sessions for the year of 2016/17. We have three new tutors and 25 children that we are helping.

We were unable to hold Bingo for two Saturdays due to computers being wiped out by a storm one week and the next week by a new program crashing the system. That has left us short of funds for the month of October.

Thank you all for supporting us with the fund-raiser dinner held last month. Keep an eye out for our trivia night with details to come.

Thank you for your support.