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Valley of Moline

Winter 2017

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Greetings from Your Commander-in-Chief

ARLO SLOAN M.S.A. 33 °

The Spring Reunion for the Valley of Moline will be held on
Saturday, March 18, 2017.

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Doors open at 8:00 a.m. - coffee and donuts served in the dinette

8:30 a.m. 4th Degree (presented on video for candidates) Board Room

9:30 a.m. 14th Degree - Grand Elect Mason

11:00 a.m. 16th Degree - Prince of Jerusalem

Noon - Lunch in dining room

1:30 p.m. Templar Chapter DeMolay Degree

3:00 p.m. 32nd Degree - Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret

4:30 p.m. Feast of the Paschal Lamb - Friends and Family are invited to this
performance and to the banquet

5:30 p.m. Banquet in dining room

Reservations needed for lunch and banquet due in the office no later than
3/10/2017

Friday lunch by donation.

Saturday Banquet Price TBD.

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FEAST OF THE PASCHAL LAMB
SOLEMN CEREMONIAL

The Feast of the Paschal Lamb will be presented by the Moline Chapter of Rose Croix on Saturday, March 18, 2017, as the closing performance of our Spring 2017 Reunion. The portrayal will commence at 4:30 p.m. and is open to all members and the public.

The Feast of the Paschal Lamb is neither the Feast of the Passover nor the institution of the Sacrament of Holy Communion, although it commemorates both of these hold days. The Jewish Feast of the Passover honors the escape of the Hebrews from Egypt when God, smiting the firstborn of the Egyptians, passed over the homes of the Israelites. Thus the blood of the paschal lamb, which had been used to mark the houses of the Israelites, has symbolized redemption.

For observance of this Feast, Jesus gathered His disciples in the night in which He was betrayed. In their midst He instituted the sacrament which Christians celebrate as the Last Supper. Moline Chapter of Rose Croix will observe this beautiful and symbolic celebration of the Feast of the Paschal Lamb as a memorial service honoring our brethren who have passed to their eternal reward during the preceding year. In spirit we seem to sense their presence at this Mystic Banquet as we seek to strengthen the ties of brotherly love which bind our hearts in holy remembrance. We humbly remember the brethren who have passed in the last year.

Family members will be invited as guests of the Valley of Moline to both the performance and the banquet that follows.



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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

Illinois Scottish Rite Reunion Dates

Valley of Bloomington 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 April 6-9, 2017 November 3-4, 2017	Valley of Moline March 18, 2017 October 20-21, 2017	Valley of Southern Illinois April 29, 2017 October 21, 2017
Valley of Danville April 7-8, 2017 November 10-11, 2017	Valley of Peoria November 3-4, 2017	Valley of Springfield April 1, 2017 October 14, 2017

Deadline for the Spring issue of the Cathedral Chimes will be March 15, 2017. Articles are due that day or the issue will be sent without your article.

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 the third Monday in April 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 May at the Welcome Inn in Milan. Dinner at 6:30 pm off the menu followed by a program.

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David Richard Pierce
March 20, 2016

Leon Thomas Chaskes
March 29, 2016

Gerald H. Stewart
August 23, 2016

Robert D. Willits
September 13, 2016

Doran D. Wara
September 29, 2016

Kenneth A. Powell
October 25, 2016

Chester Colclasure
October 27, 2016

James Robertson
January 12, 2017

Stephen J. Holub
January 22, 2017

Well Done, Good and Faithful Servants!

Attainment of the third Masonic degree, that of Master Mason, represents the attainment of the highest rank in all of Masonry. Any Master Mason stands as an equal before every other Master Mason, regardless of position, class or other degrees.



SCOTTISH RITE DEGREES
AND THEIR CORE VALUES

4° Master Traveler	Reverence for God, Integrity, Justice, Toleration, Devotion to Country, Service to Humanity
5° Perfect Master	Reverence for God, Integrity, Justice
6° Master of the Brazen Serpent	Reverence for God
7° Provost and Judge	Integrity, Justice
8° Intendent of the Building	N/A
9° Master of the Temple	Reverence for God, Service to Humanity
10° Master Elect	N/A
11° Sublime Master Elected	Integrity
12° Master of Mercy	Integrity, Justice
13° Master of the Ninth Arch	N/A
14° Grand Elect Mason	Reverence for God
15° Knight of the East	Integrity
16° Prince of Jerusalem	Reverence for God
17° Knight of the East and West	N/A
18° Knight of the Rose Croix	Reverence for God, Toleration
19° Brothers of the Trail	Reverence for God, Integrity
20° Master of Vitam	Integrity, Devotion to Country
21° Patriarch Noachite	Justice
22° Prince of Libanus	Service to Humanity
23° Knight of Valor	Reverence for God, Toleration, Devotion to Country, Service to Humanity
24° Brother of the Forest	Toleration
25° Master of Achievement	Devotion to Country, Service to Humanity
26° Friend and Brother Eternal	Integrity, Devotion to Country
27° Knight of Jerusalem	Justice, Toleration
28° Knight of the Sun	N/A
29° Knight of St. Andrew	Integrity
30° Grand Inspector	N/A
31° My Brother's Keeper	Reverence for God, Integrity, Devotion to Country, Service to Humanity
32° Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret	Devotion to Country, Service to Humanity

CATHEDRAL HERITAGE FUND "520 CLUB"

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As a further provision, after the death of such will continue to be paid to the Scottish Rite General Fund (Operating Fund) in perpetuity. The principal amount remains in our permanent endowment fund.

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2nd Installment \$175.00

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**MOLINE CHAPTER ROSE CROIX
DAVID ROBISON, MOST WISE MASTER**

The Valley of Moline held their annual Children's Christmas Party on Saturday, December 10, 2016. Festivities lasted from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Sponsored by the Moline Chapter of Rose Croix, David Robison, Most Wise Master, the event featured a wide assortment of activities to keep those in attendance happily occupied.

Bill Endres, MSA, 33°, arranged for all the entertainment for the kids. Two jump houses were available for the kids to work off all that stored up energy, face-painting was a big hit, and a magician was present to entertain the audience.

Prior to the appearance of the day's special guest, a jolly old fellow name Santa, Mrs. Claus, better known as Kathy Good, supervised the refreshments with the help of Moline Assembly No. 22, Rainbow for Girls. Using her many elf-like talents, Mrs. Claus baked around 14 dozen cookies, made many gallons of punch, and filled 50 grab-bags with assorted goodies for Mrs. Claus to hand out to the children.

After several hours of play in the jump houses and the performance by the magician, the children really were ready for Santa Claus to make his appearance and started chanting for him. It only took a little encouragement for Santa and Mrs. Claus to appear. With much excitement and shouts of joy, the children lined up to have their turn with Santa, sitting on his lap and happily explaining all the gifts that they wanted for Christmas.

Special thanks go out to Brother Lyle Watters - Santa Claus, Kathy Good - Mrs. Claus, Bill Endres, Moline Assembly Rainbow for Girls, and all who were in attendance. A great time was had by all and plans are already under way for the 2017 party.



A handsome, new jewel, similar to the one pictured here, is being commissioned. The jewel is now available. Each candidate receiving the 32° 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.

Please update your contact information!!! The Valley of Moline is attempting to update contact information on all members of the Valley. Updates will be used to renew our fraternal bonds, to stay in touch with brothers we may not have had the opportunity to see for a while, and to stay informed on the health and welfare of our brothers. Please email the office at srite1@att.net to update your contact information.

From The Secretary's Desk

Ed Walker 33°



A new year is upon us and plans are well underway for our Spring 2017 Reunion. A schedule of degrees that will be presented along with the Feast of the Paschal Lamb and banquet is on the front page of this Chimes. If asked to take a part in one of the degrees, do not say no. The Director of Works and each degree captain need your active participation to make this and every reunion a success. Not in the acting mood, then offer you help with stage work or help in the kitchen. Which brings me to my request for a brother or two willing to take over kitchen duties for the Valley. Responsibilities are not many and cooking is not required unless you have a culinary talent. Ordering reunion supplies and food, lining up help from our youth groups or from Eastern Star is about all that is required. If interested, let the office know.

The Dyslexic Reading Solutions for Children of the Quad Cities is a vital part of our Valley and has been extremely successful in helping children suffering from dyslexia to learn to read and eventually graduate from high school. So many past students have done so with honors. The Center's biggest support is their weekly bingo at the Rock Island Lions Club every Saturday evening. They could really use some extra help once a month for a few hours from the membership. We have a lot of fun interacting with the players and in knowing that we are helping those children to have a better future. Contact the Center at 309-797-2617 for more information.

As we enter this new year and prepare for the Spring Reunion, we must ask ourselves what are we doing wrong, what is not being offered to the membership that will enable them to become more active. Attendance at our stated meetings has been dismal, both in officer and member attendance. What can we do as a Valley to attract our members back and to bring in new members? Once a member, what can be done to keep them as active participants? If you have a crystal ball that has all the answers, please share with one of the line officers or the office. We all realize that family comes first, but schedules can be arranged that would allow you to attend a stated meeting.

Are we as a Valley conducting business just like many of our Blue Lodges - "we have always done it this way for so long" or "we have never done it that way before and I'm sure it won't work." Us old-timers know what is best, so just sit on the sidelines and keep quiet. Does that sound familiar? Sure it does. We need you to make your voice heard on what you would like to see happen - new thoughts, new ideas.

Many of you have most likely heard that Moline Lodge No. 1014 has been having a very hard time attracting members to meetings and degree work, which means all of the chairs cannot be filled at election time. This has happened for the last two years and the members decided that this could not continue. A vote of the membership was taken at January's stated meeting to merge with Doric Lodge No. 319 which meets the first Tuesday of each month here in the Cathedral. They will vote on the merger at their February stated meeting, and, if approved, all paperwork will be sent in to the Grand Lodge for approval and actual merging of members and all that goes along with that. Many, many years ago, Moline Lodge No. 1014 was part of Doric Lodge No. 319; so it is more of a homecoming than a true merger.

Our two youth groups, Templar Chapter DeMolay, and Moline Assembly, Rainbow for Girls, continue to prosper and do great things. DeMolay has been very successful in ritual competition around the state and Rainbow has several Grand Officers. They are our future and our support in their endeavors is always appreciated.

Moline Chapter of Eastern Star recently held their installation of officers for the coming year and has all stations filled. They are in the planning stages for their Official Visit by the Grand Family on Monday, April 3rd, and members are always willing to help out with reunion activities when asked.

The Rock Island York Rite Bodies seem to be growing member by member and are actively participating in state-wide activities. Congratulations to all of their officers and much success in the coming year.

Building rentals are varied and keep the building going but many more are needed. Calendar is filling up for 2017 with some requests for 2018 already. Onward and upward in 2017!

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Dyslexic Reading Solutions for Children

Dyslexia Learning Center Update... The Children's Learning Center sponsors a weekly Saturday night Bingo at the Rock Island Lion's Club. Game packets and computers go on sale starting at 5 p.m. with an Early Bird game at 6:15 p.m.. Two sessions of 10 games each starts at 6:30 p.m. with two Speedo games thrown in and an assortment of Raffle tickets sold up to half-time. Two snack bars are available with a great selection of food and soft drinks.

We do need more volunteers to help out one session every three weeks with selling ticket and game cards. The pay is great - satisfaction in helping children.