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VALLEY OF LAKE WORTH

SCOTTISH RITE

BULLETIN

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Meetings

4th Wednesday
Executive Board @ 6:30pm
Consistory @ 7:30pm
at
Harmonia Lodge No. 138
1896 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd, #200
West Palm Beach FL 33409



III. Red Skelton, 33°
As Freddie the Freeloader

Sovereign Grand Commander & Sovereign
Grand Inspector General at Large
III. James D. Cole, 33°

Deputy in Florida
III. Richard G. Hoover, 33°

Personal Representative to Deputy
III. Stanley L. Hudson, 33°

General Secretary
III. Roy D. Strohacker, 33°

Office Staff

III. Nat Smith, 33°
Administrative Assistant

Sue Downing
Office Manager

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FAMOUS QUOTE

“Live by this credo: Have a laugh at life and look around for happiness instead of sadness. Laughter has always brought me out of unhappy situations.”

“God’s children and their happiness are my reason for being.”

Ill. Red Skelton, 33°



SECRETARY’S QUIL

Our Degree Teams are set and the Masonic ball is rolling for October 25, 2020 our 197th Convocation. We will be doing the following required Degrees, 4°, 14°, 18°, 30°, and 32°. The other Degrees will be communicated off and on at our scheduled Consistory Meetings.

After some research and communications with the Scottish Rite of Canada we have voted Bro. Lorne Alter as a dual member of this Valley. Congratulations Bro. Lorne and sorry it took so long between Canada and the Southern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite.

We currently have two Brothers who have volunteered to help with looking for a Valley building. We need one more for this committee so if another Brother is interested please contact my office. At the present time we have Bro. Robert Eustice, Jr. and Hon. Robert Gibbons on the Committee.

Bro. Frank Kiefer donated his time to call all the Brothers in the Martin and Okeechobee Counties

regarding the past dues. We need volunteers for Palm Beach and Broward Counties.

We now have 10 Brothers due to be suspended in December. This means they have not paid dues for 2019 and 2020 yet we have been required to pay Per-Capita each year. The Per-Capita we paid out is \$540 and in dues income what we lost was \$1500. It looks like next year could be around 44 Brothers who will be suspended for nonpayment of 2020 and 2021 dues if the number does not change. That means we pay out \$2,552 in Per-Capita and lose \$6,478 for 2020 and \$6,600 for 2021 in dues income. We are withdrawing from our investments to cover overhead and cannot keep this up. I know we have limited activities due to Covid-19 but it will get better.

Ill. Roy D. Strohacker, 33°
General Secretary

PETITIONS VOTED AND APPROVED

Austin Drukker
Thomas Krumenacker
Rafael Salles
Geoffrey Savett
Abraham Velilla
Ian Horridge
Charles Jackson
Cabot Lord

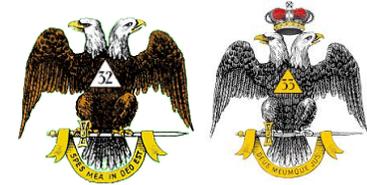
Anton Eastman (to finish Degrees)
Lorne Alter (Dual Membership)

PETITION FOR SECOND READING

David Ingram

FALL REUNION

The 197th Convocation is scheduled for October 25, 2020 to be held at Bykota Lodge No. 333, located at 421 Jennings Ave., Greenacres, FL 33463. It will most likely start at 8am but an e-mail will be sent out when all is finalized.



BULLETIN BOOSTERS

Ill. Nat Smith, 33°
Ill. Roy Strohacker, 33°
Ill. Roy Hernandez, Jr. 33°
Ill. Roy Hernandez, III, 33°
Hon. Robert Gibbons, KCCH, 32°
Hon. William Staats, KCCH, 32°
Hon. Paul Sosnick, KCCH, 32°
Ill. Lester Jones, 33°
Bro. Anton Eastman
Hon. Larry Choman
Hon. Michael Choman
Bro. J. Reeve Bright

Help with printing and mailing, become a Booster for \$10 or more.

IMPORTANT!!!!

WE NEED YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS

If you are not getting e-mails from the Valley you are missing a lot of important information on what is going on in your Valley. Please call the Valley and give Sue your information.



VALLEY DEATHS FOR 2020

The following Brothers have passed to the Celestial Home in 2020 (or reported in 2020):

- Arthur Ward, 33° 01/14/20
 - James M. Reasbeck, 01/22/19
 - Jack N. Stevens, 02/09/20
 - Richard Slaton, 02/22/20
 - Michael Homatas, 02/26/20
 - Richard A. Holt, 33°, 03/02/20
 - Cecil Conley, 03/04/20
 - John Naismith, 03/28/20
 - Buford Arbogast, 4/17/20
 - James Woody, 05/22/20
 - Charles Henderly, 7/25/20 +
 - Gerry Moore, 33°, 08/06/20 +
 - Donald Everett, 08/21/20 +
 - Jerry Tillman 8/23/20 +
 - William Edwards – Unknown ? +
- + Denotes newly added from last month

“We cherish his memory here,
 We commend his spirit to God, who gave it,
 We consign his body to the earth”.

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Good Advice to All Brothers

Forget the hasty, unkind words; Forget the slander you have heard; Forget the quarrel and the cause; Forget the whole affair because; Forgetting is the only way. Forget the storm of yesterday; Forget the knocker, and the squeak; Forget the bad day of the week. Forget you’re not a millionaire; Forget the grey streaks in your hair; Forget to even get the blues. But Don’t Forget to Pay your Dues! (only you can keep the Valley going)

QUIZ

- Q: In the 24° water reminds us of what?
 A: That none but the pure of heart can be admitted to the mysteries.
- Q: In the 25° explain the Lamp?
 A: It is a reminder that God is the source of light, which is truth. It is the light which lights everyone that comes into the world.

WORDS OF THOUGHT

What Degrees Represent

- Eighth Degree – Degree of the Intendant of the Building
 - Ninth Degree – Degree of the Elu of the Nine
 - Tenth Degree – Degree of the Elu of the Fifteen
 - Eleventh Degree – Degree of the Elu of the Twelve
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Ill. Gerry Moore, 33°

Past Personal Representative to the SGIG and
 Past General Secretary of the Valley of Lake Worth.

Passed Away on 08/06/20.
 Rest in Peace my Brother.





III. Red Skelton, 33°

He remembered back to his boyhood, when his teacher, Mr. Lasswell, felt his students had begun to recite the Pledge of Allegiance as if it were a daily drudgery. He decided to take a moment, and recite it to them, telling them the meaning of each word. Ever since the first broadcast, Red Skelton's words have remained a perennial favorite--especially around patriotic holidays.

It went like this:

I -- Me; an individual; a committee of one.

Pledge -- Dedicate all of my worldly goods to give without self-pity.

Allegiance -- My love and my devotion.

To the Flag -- Our standard. "Old Glory"; a symbol of courage. And wherever she waves, there is respect, because your loyalty has given her a dignity that shouts "Freedom is everybody's job."

of the United -- That means we have all come together.

States -- Individual communities that have united into 48 great states; 48 individual communities with pride and dignity and purpose; all divided by imaginary boundaries, yet united to a common cause, and that's love of country, of

America.

And to the Republic -- A Republic: a sovereign state in which power is invested into the representatives chosen by the people to govern; and the government is the people; and it's from the people to the leaders, not from the leaders to the people.

For which it stands, one nation -- Meaning "so blessed by God."

Indivisible -- Incapable of being divided.

With Liberty -- Which is freedom; the right of power for one to live his own life without fears, threats, or any sort of retaliation.

And Justice -- The principle and qualities of dealing fairly with others.

For All -- For All. That means, boys and girls, it's as much your country as it is mine.

Now let me hear you recite the Pledge of Allegiance:

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic, for which it stands; one nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all." Since I was a small boy, two states have been added to our country, and two words have been added to the Pledge of Allegiance: Under God. Wouldn't it be a pity if someone said, "That is a prayer" -- and that be eliminated from our schools, too?

III. Red Shelton's Masonic Record: Master Mason in Vincennes Lodge No. 1 in Indiana. Was both a Scottish Rite and York Rite Mason as well as a Shriner in Los Angeles, CA. He received his Honorary 33° in Scottish Rite on September 24, 1969.

III. Skelton always closed with: "Good night and may God Bless"

UPDATE ON WEBSITE

The website, lwscottishrite.com, is looking better. Sue and Hon. Sid Pentzke have corrected spelling and grammar and updated the Degree Directors and Valley Officers lists, and added the 2020 Bulletins up to August. We are looking for some pictures to add to the site, like awards and the time capsule opening. Please check your picture supply and see if you have anything. Send to the Valley and we will forward to have them added. The General Secretary is looking for some old photos he and his wife may have going back to the 1930s and 1940s.

2021 DUES NOTICE

We have been advised that Supreme Council will be mailing out 2021 dues notice soon which will include a 2021 Dues Card inside. This does not mean you are dues exempt for the year so please remit your dues as soon as you can. Your 2021 Dues Card is not valid until your dues are paid.

With the Coronavirus we have had no fund raisers at all and the Valley has no income besides dues. We were planning on a BBQ until Palm Beach County closed all of the pavilions in the parks. With God's help this virus will go away and we can start having gatherings and form some fundraisers.

VALLEY ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS

For those members of the Executive Board, we sent out a request asking to know who had completed the financial questionnaire that was sent to them. So far only three Brothers have responded. Please get this done and notify the Valley so we can set up an E-Board Meeting.

Brothers, if you are one of the Brothers who have not paid your dues and need some assistance please call the Office and we will find a way to help. We have a couple of avenues to help you.

Final note, our Past General Secretary III. Mike Cribbet, 33° had triple bypass surgery recently and is doing well. He has demitted to Alabama where he is now residing.

MAY GOD BLESS AND KEEP YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES SAFE AND HEALTHY AND IF THE VALLEY CAN HELP YOU, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE.

FRATERNAL RESPECT TO ALL