

PROCEEDINGS OF
ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHTH SESSION

OF THE

Connecticut Council of Deliberation



TORRINGTON, CONNECTICUT

SEPTEMBER 22, 2017

Connecticut Council of Deliberation

OFFICERS FOR 2016-2017

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Anthony S. Angelica, 32°	Secretary
Vernon K. Cleaves, 33°	Secretary Emeritus
Richard V. Travis, 33°	Secretary Emeritus
Gerald F. Thompson, MSA, 33°	Prior
Joseph B. Cyr, MSA, 33°	Master of Ceremonies
Ernest A. DuBois, MSA, 33°	Hospitaler
Richard E. Frazier, MSA, 33°	Seneschal
Kenneth B. Hawkins, 33°	Standard Bearer
Earl S. Evans, MSA, 33°	Captain of the Guard
Melvin E. Johnson, 33°	Sentinel
William L. Breed, MSA, 33°	Historian

The next Council of Deliberation Annual Session will be hosted by the
VALLEY OF BRIDGEPORT in SEPTEMBER, 2018

UPCOMING HOST VALLEY and YEAR

2019 – HARTFORD	2020 – NORWICH	2021 – NEW HAVEN
2022 – WATERBURY	2023 – BRIDGEPORT	2024 – HARTFORD

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PROCEEDINGS

of the One Hundred Thirty-Eighth Session of the CONNECTICUT COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION

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

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

ILL.: BRUCE T. WORK, 33°

45 Phelpscroft Road, Simsbury, CT 06070-2025

Deputy for Connecticut

Commander-in-Chief

ILL.: KEVIN J. HECHT, 33°

85 Hartford Avenue, Old Saybrook, CT. 06475

Active for Connecticut

ILL.: RICHARD V. TRAVIS, 33°

41 Ashlar Village, Wallingford, CT 06492-3071

Active Emeritus; Commander-in-Chief Emeritus

ILL.: A. NORMAN JOHNSON, 33°

5124 Ashlar Village, Wallingford, CT 06492

Active Emeritus; Commander-in-Chief Emeritus

ILL.: JAMES R. SPENCER, Jr. MSA, 33°

1 Ashlar Village, Wallingford, CT 06492

Active Emeritus; Commander-in-Chief Emeritus

ILL.: GAIL N. SMITH, 33°

1 Dover Lane, Columbia, CT 06237

Active Emeritus

ILL.: DAVID L. SHARKIS, 33°

26 Reid Street, Waterbury, CT 06704-2938

Active Emeritus; Commander-in-Chief Emeritus

ILL.: RICHARD R. JONES, JR., 33°

1 Granby Farms Road, Granby, CT 06035

Treasurer

ILL.: CHARLES F. WARFIELD, 33°

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Assistant Treasurer

ANTHONY S. ANGELICA, 32°

123 West Street, APT 414, Cromwell, CT 06416-2465

Secretary

ILL.: VERNON K. CLEAVES, 33°

31 Stillwood Road, Wallingford, CT 06492-4730

Secretary Emeritus

MEMBERS

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

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

PROXIES

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

LETTER OF INVITATION
CONNECTICUT COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION,
A.A.S.R., N.M.J., USA

Date: Friday, September 22nd, 2017

Place: Chatterley's, 371 Pinewoods Road, Torrington, CT 06790, (860) 489-5446

Time: 1:00pm Registration, 2:00pm-4:30pm COD Meeting, 4:30pm-6:30pm
Open Bar, 5:30pm Dinner

Illustrious and Dear Brethren,

The Scottish Rite Valley of Waterbury is pleased to announce the preparations for the Connecticut Scottish Rite Council of Deliberation for 2017. This event will begin with registration at 1:00pm on Friday, September 22nd at Chatterley's (371 Pinewoods Road, Torrington, CT 06790). The meeting will formally commence at 2:00pm.

Following the meeting, a Social Hour will begin at 4:30pm with an open bar (for 2 hours) and an Imported Cheese and Seasonal Fruit display. Dinner will be served at 5:30pm and will consist of Classic Caesar Salad, Sterling Silver New York Strip Steak w/ Roasted Garlic-Gorgonzola Butter and Frizzled Onions (a starch, vegetable, and rolls included), and Vanilla Cheesecake w/ strawberry for dessert.

Dress for the day will be business attire with Scottish Rite jewels, but NO CAPS. All RSVPs must be received by Wednesday, September 13th. We look forward to a splendid meeting and dinner!

Be sure to send your RSVP to Charles D. O'Neill, by mail: 23 Forty Acre Mountain Road, Danbury, CT 06811-3306 or by email: cdoneill@snet.net.

Cordially and Fraternally,
The Valley of Waterbury Executive Committee

On Behalf of:
Bruce T. Work, 33°
Commander-in-Chief/Deputy for CT

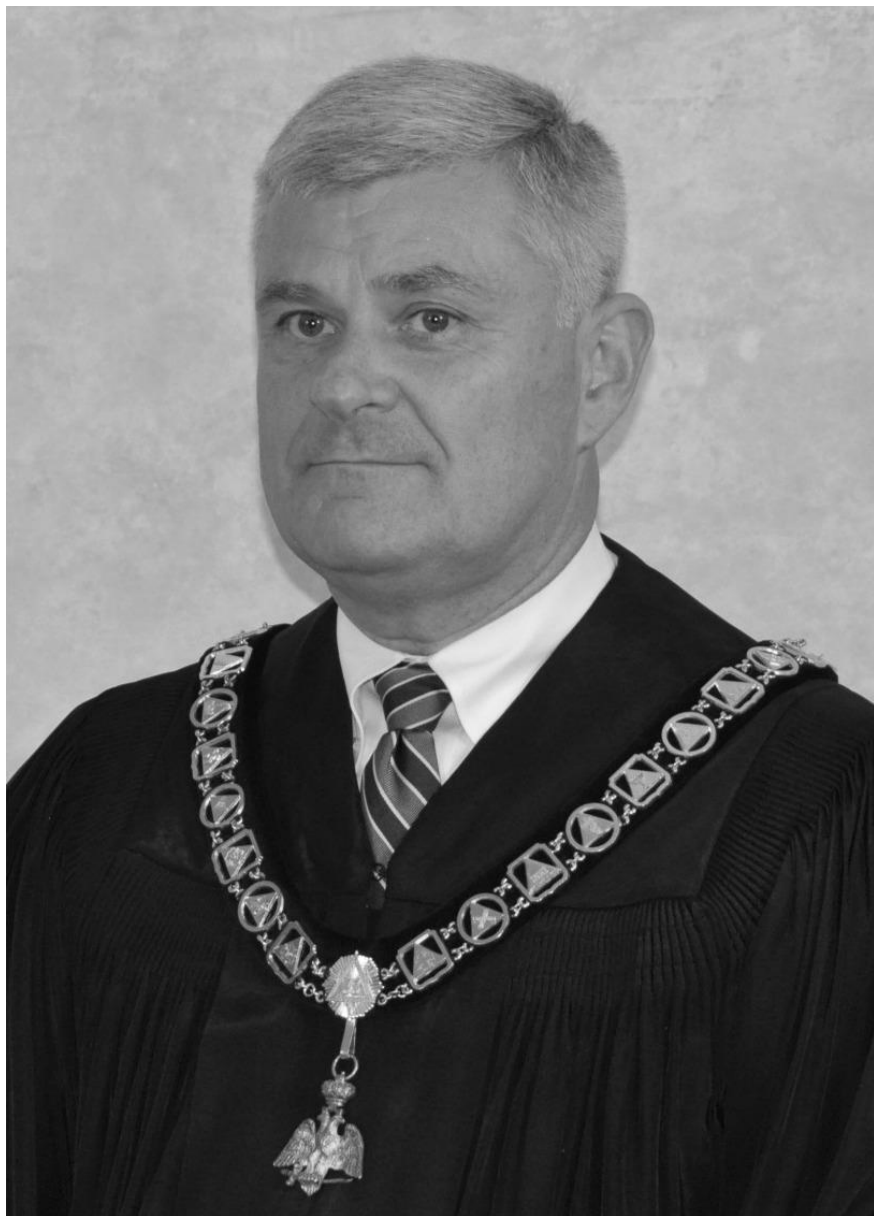
Attest:
Anthony Angelica, 32°
Secretary, CT C.O.D.



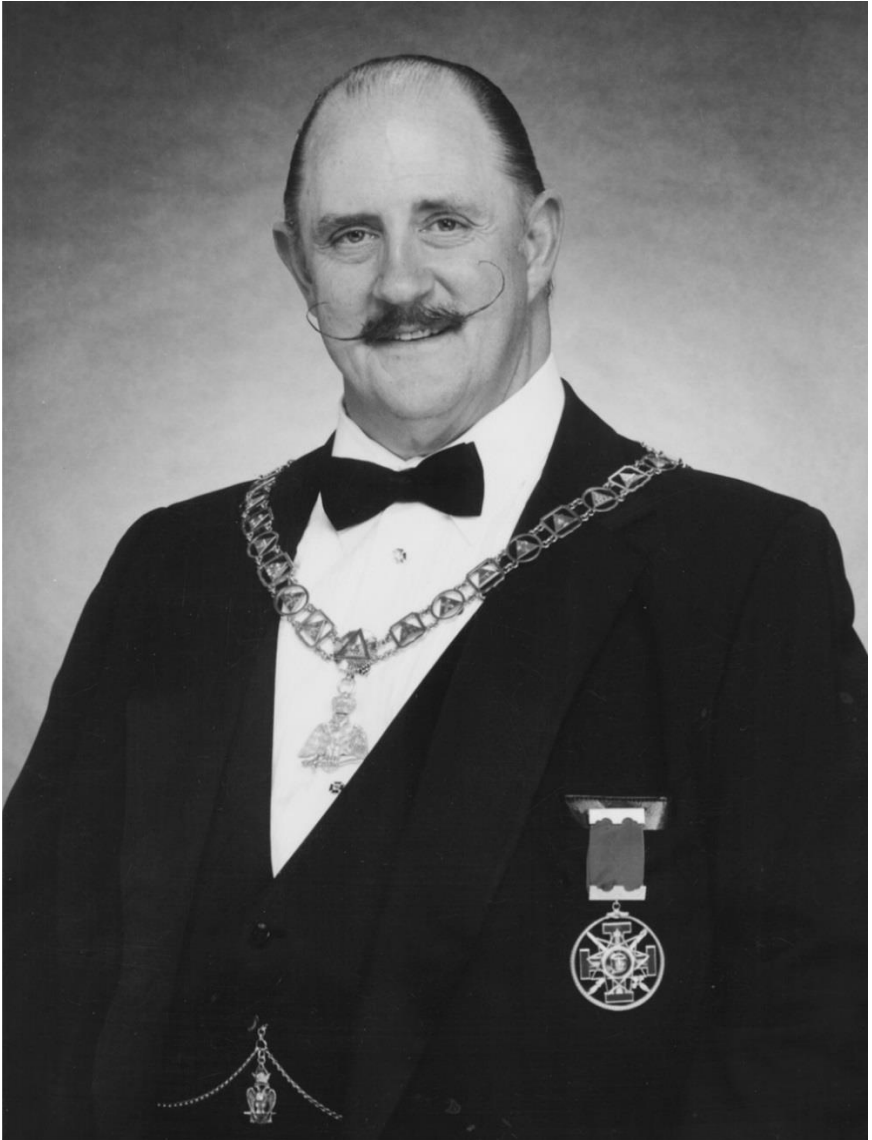
**ILL.: DAVID A. GLATTLY, 33°
Sovereign Grand Commander**



ILL.: BRUCE T. WORK, 33rd
Deputy for Connecticut
Illustrious Commander-in-Chief



ILL.: KEVIN J. HECHT, 33°
Active for Connecticut
Illustrious First Lieutenant Commander



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



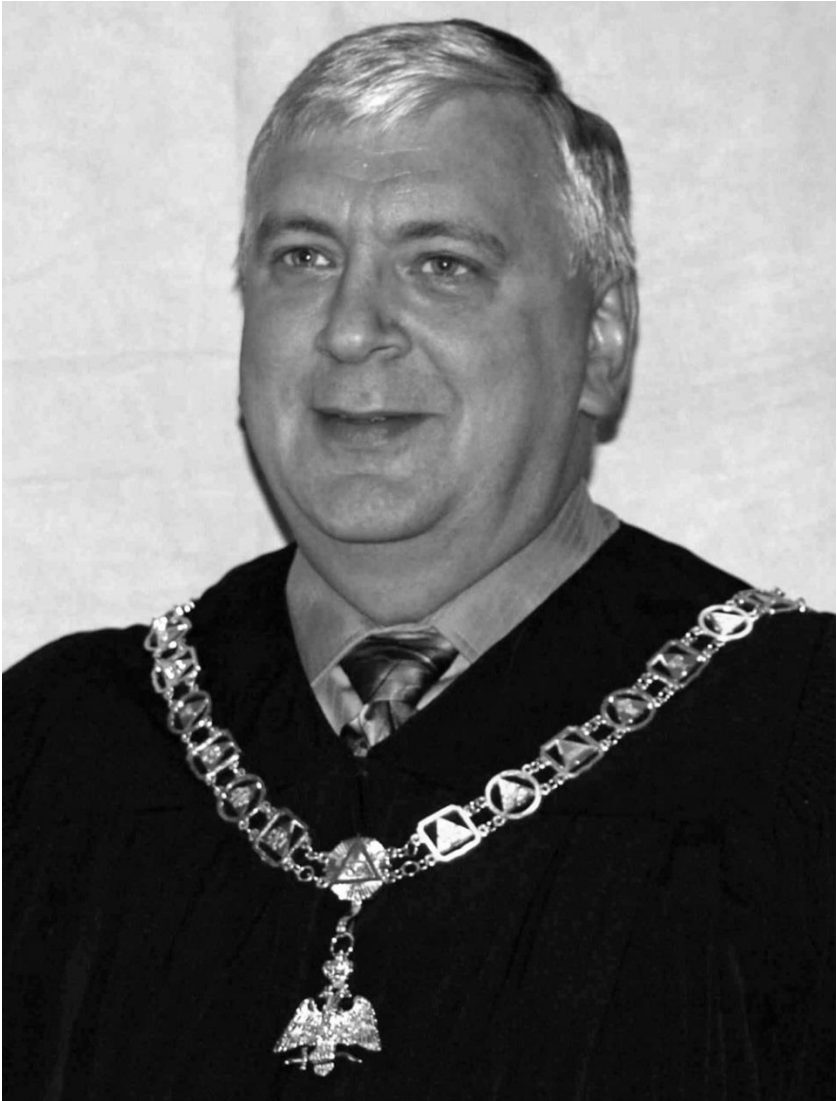
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**ILL.: GAIL N. SMITH, 33°
Active Emeritus
Illustrious First Lieutenant Commander Emeritus**



ILL.: DAVID L. SHARKIS, 33°
Active Emeritus
Illustrious Commander-in-Chief Emeritus

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

CONNECTICUT COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION

In accordance with the preceding notice issued by order of the
 Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, the One Hundred and Thirty-Eighth
 Convocation of the Connecticut Council of Deliberation assembled at
 Torrington, Connecticut at 2:00pm on September 22, 2017.

The following officers were present:

Bruce T. Work, 33°	Commander-In-Chief
A. Norman Johnson, 33°	Commander-In-Chief Emeritus
Richard V. Travis, 33°	Commander-In-Chief Emeritus
James R. Spencer, Jr., MSA, 33°	Commander-In-Chief Emeritus
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SESSION OPENING

The session was declared open at 2:00pm by Ill. Bruce T. Work, 33°, Commander-in-Chief. Ill. Joseph R. Krusienksi, 33° led the members in opening prayer.

RECEPTION OF GUESTS

The following distinguished guests were welcomed by the Commander-in-Chief and introduced to the membership, who in turn accorded each with a hearty round of applause. Grand honors were awarded to Ill. Theodore J. Nelson, Ill, 33°.

Ill. Brother and Companion **MARTIN EDE, M.S.A., 33°**

Most Excellent Grand High Priest

Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Connecticut

Escorted by Ill. Jack H. Stevens, 33°

Ill. Brother and Knight Companion **KEVIN J. HECHT, 33°**

Active Member of this Supreme Council and Intendent General
Division of Connecticut, Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine
and Appendant Orders for the United States, Mexico and the Philippines.

Escorted by Ill. Richard V. Travis, 33°, Active Emeritus

Ill. Brother and Knight Companion **RICHARD V. TRAVIS, 33°**

Active Member of this Supreme Council and Grand Trustee,
Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine
and Appendant Orders for the United States, Mexico and the Philippines.

Escorted by Ill. David L. Sharkis, 33°, Active Emeritus

S.G.I.G. **EDWARD E. CHERRY, Sr., 33°**

Deputy for the Orient of Connecticut

United Supreme Council, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry
Prince Hall Affiliation, Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.

Accompanied by Ill. Brother **CHARLES PARIS, 33°, Emeritus**

Escorted by Ill. James R. Spencer, Jr., M.S.A., 33°, Active Emeritus.

Ill. and Most Worshipful Brother **THEODORE J. NELSON, 33°**

Most Worshipful Grand Master

Grand Lodge of Connecticut

Escorted by Ill. Kevin J. Hecht, 33°, Active for Connecticut

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. Bruce T. Work, 33° led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance to our country's flag.

PRELIMINARY AND FINAL REPORT OF CREDENTIALS

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers, and Brethren of the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in session at New Haven, Connecticut on September 22, 2017:

This Committee on Credentials respectfully reports that of all the Officers, Illustrious Brethren, Permanent Members, and Representatives who are entitled to seats in this Council of Deliberation, there are **72** Preliminary and **76** Final members who are registered and present.

Respectfully submitted,
Tony Angelica
Secretary, Council of Deliberation

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE CHILDREN'S DYSLEXIA CENTER OF CONNECTICUT A Scottish Rite Charity

To the Illustrious Commander in Chief, Officers, and Brethren of the Council of Deliberations, in Annual Session, at Torrington, Connecticut on September 22nd, 2017:

CONNECTICUT COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION

Good afternoon and greetings from all of us at the Children's Dyslexia Center of Connecticut. I am Cheryl Sharkis and I have had the honor and privilege of being the Director, Trainer, and a Tutor at the Center for the past 16 years.

We are proud to report to you that the Children's Dyslexia Center continues to develop and progress forward. We have celebrated the achievements of 131 youngsters. Upon completion of their work at the Center, all have progressed at least 2 to 3 grade levels in their reading skills, with many surpassing this average. The most current ceremony was May 17th, with 8 youngsters completing their work at the Center. At present, we have experienced 14 Celebration of Achievement Ceremonies. Alumni continue to periodically stop by to share their achievements, upcoming plans, volunteer, and participate in Center presentations. We are thrilled and moved that they are willing to take time out of their busy schedules to remember their Tutors, give back, and help the next one in line. There is no feeling better than knowing that you have made a positive difference in a person's life!

The Center Staff currently includes 7 Initial Level Tutors, 2 Advanced Level Tutors, and 1 Supervisor. In total, the Center's Scholar training program has certified 38 Tutors. Our next Scholar training cycle is scheduled to begin September 22nd and there are 3 scholars scheduled to begin their training.

The Center is currently providing tutorial sessions to 23 youngsters. Once again, we have finalized each youngster's annual progress assessment and we are thrilled to report that everyone is progressing and developing, with the gap between their grade levels and performance levels reducing significantly. There are approximately 40 youngsters remaining on the waitlist. If you know of a child that may benefit from participating in the Children's Dyslexia Center Program, please encourage their families to contact the Center.

We are all very proud to be participating in such a positive and empowering youth program. Enabling these youngsters to better achieve their academic potential is magnificently rewarding and uplifting for all involved. Individual generosity, the annual RUN, Dyslexia Awareness WALK (Oct. 1st), the Wine and Beer Tasting/Auction, the Turkey Trot (Nov. 23rd) and all the continued support from the supporting Masonic bodies perpetuates the rewards.

Thanks to the Scottish Rite philanthropic endeavors, you are enabling these youngsters to live as Charlie Brown's "I'm on my Way" lyrics invoke, "You might work but I work harder
You might fight but I fight smarter Might not be on top of the world but hey I'm on my way...."

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl A. Sharkis, Director/Trainer/Tutor
Children's Dyslexia Center of Connecticut
(Presented by David L. Sharkis, 33°)

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE CHILDREN'S DYSLEXIA CENTER OF CT.

To the Illustrious Commander in Chief, officers and brethren of the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in session at Torrington, Connecticut on September 22, 2017.

Brothers, good afternoon and greetings from the board of governors.

Will the members of the Board of Governors who are present please stand and be recognized. My brothers these dedicated volunteers continue to work to support the life changing tutoring

provided by the dedicated team of tutors at the Children's Dyslexia Center of Connecticut. Please join me in offering your appreciation for their time and efforts.

My Brothers, I am pleased to report that your Children's Dyslexia Center of Connecticut continues to operate efficiently and successfully due to the efforts of Center Director, Cheryl Sharkis, her dedicated staff, Illustrious Brother David Sharkis, and all of our Valleys, who provide the bulk of the financial support that keep our Center's doors open.

Your Board of Governors gratefully acknowledges the excellent financial support that comes from the constituent Valleys in Connecticut. In addition to the generous support we receive from the Valleys of Connecticut we are the beneficiaries of numerous fundraisers, the Turkey Trot, the 5K Run/Walk, the Wine and Beer Tasting, the clam fritter booth at the North Stonington Fair and the Annual Walk for Dyslexia Awareness.

My Brothers, these fundraisers involve a substantial commitment of time and effort by numerous Brothers in all of the Valleys in Connecticut. The next one is the Walk for Dyslexia at the center in Waterbury. It will be held on Sunday, October 1st, Registration starts at 12noon and the Walk will step off at 1:00 PM. Please come out with your entire family and support our kids and the good work being done by Russ Griswold, Paul Ilchenko and the brothers at the Valley of Waterbury.

This report would not be complete without acknowledging the individuals who continue to give of their time and talents to make the Children's Dyslexia Center of Connecticut an ongoing success. Illustrious Brother David Sharkis, 33rd degree who volunteers untold hours to keep the center clean and in good repair. A.J. Kayser and Cheryl Sharkis who go well beyond what they are paid to do, and the tutors and tutor-scholars who work one on one

with each student continue to make an incalculable difference in the lives of young people who are afflicted with dyslexia.

Finally, my Brothers, thank you, for all your efforts on our behalf, your support of our center is vital! Talk it up in your blue lodges and in your Valleys. Your enthusiasm is contagious.

Respectfully submitted,
William E. Bohman, 33°, Chairman

SUPREME COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Supreme Council Highlights - 2017 Session Rochester, New York

Our Sovereign Grand Commander retired at the conclusion of the Annual session in Rochester, N.Y., on August 29th, 2017.

Illustrious Brother David A. Glattly, 33⁰ was elected Sovereign Grand Commander, and was installed in the public business session, Monday morning. This is available on the Supreme Council Northern Masonic Jurisdiction website for viewing.

Executive Session

Classification Change in the Active Emeritus membership:

III. Brother Richard V. Travis, 33° retired as an Active member and has joined the ranks of the Active Emeritus members, due to the Constitutional age requirement. Please make the appropriate notes in all of your programs, listings, booklets, etc.

Membership

Report of the Grand Secretary General on Active Members:

- June 16, 2016 121,093
- June 15, 2017 115,188

Net Loss is 5,905, which is down from 7,919 of a year ago, but still down.

Ritual

There has been no changes to our rituals this year. The 15th and 23rd have been recorded and will be distributed sometime this fall on an updated "big stick".

Strategic Planning Committee

The Supreme Council Strategic Plan is a "Fluid Plan", meaning it's not one that is meant to be printed every other year and set on a bookshelf to gather dust. As new ideas are developed they are shared with the membership.

The next program we are developing is a recorded series of "Valley Showcases" for successful Valleys for degree presentations, ladies nights, Family Life programs, etc., and this will be available on the website - members section after it is developed. Awards would be presented at the Bi-Annual session of the Supreme Council starting in 2019. Watch for further information and requests for your successes.

Annual Meetings

- 2018 - Executive Session Only - Lexington, Mass.
- 2019 - August 25-27, Milwaukee, WI
- 2020 - Executive Session Only - Lexington, Mass.
- 2021 - August 26 - 31, Cleveland, OH

Children's Learning Center

Jobs of the Director are supervision, observations, reporting, tutoring, etc. Jobs of the Board of Governors are creative fund raising ideas, not adding burden to the center director, tutors, and/or staff, and to provide a 10 year plan of action for the center's survival and continuance. I realize the Boards of Governor's work tirelessly throughout the year, and they need

relief. Brothers, this Board is not a closed entity, and your assistance would not only be welcome but encouraged. Please see Ill. Brother William E. Bohman, 33⁰ for more information.

Seminars

A combined Secretary's/Treasurer's seminar is being planned for June of 2018 in Lexington, Massachusetts. More details will be forthcoming and notice of actual dates will be sent out in plenty of time for all to make plans to attend.

Grand Almoner's Fund

A total of \$ 1,650,705 was spent for the benevolence of 121 members of our Fraternity as well as the relief for storm distressed Brothers in Texas, this past year. You should all be proud of our continued support of our Brothers.

Nominations

This year, Connecticut nominated two Brothers to receive their 33rd Degree, and with the unanimous favorable ballot, Brothers Dennis O. Cyr, M.S.A., from the Valley of Waterbury, and Brother David B. Urban, M.S.A. from the Valley of Bridgeport will receive their 33rd Degree in Milwaukee, WI, in 2019. Please congratulate them when you see them.

The Path Forward Program

Rollout after November 27, 2017. Strategic Marketing for Member Service and Membership Growth! It was rolled out to all 15 Grand Masters of the NMJ who were present. "Not Just A Man. A Mason." will be the tagline. Square & Compasses will appear on all materials.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bruce T. Work, 33°
Deputy for Connecticut

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

To the Illustrious Commander in Chief, officers and brethren of the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in session at Torrington, Connecticut on September 22, 2017.

The proceedings of the 137th session of this Council of Deliberation have been printed and distributed to all of our members. The proceedings of today's 138th session of this Council of Deliberation will be printed and distributed to all of our members within the next 2 months.

We started the past year with 270 Members within this Council of deliberation, and experienced a loss of 12 members throughout the year. Membership within this Council of deliberation now stands at 258.

Membership within the five Connecticut Valley's now stands at 2,305 for the Lodges of Perfection, Councils, Princes of Jerusalem, and Chapters, Rose Croix. The Membership within the five Connecticut Valley's now stands at 2,283 for the Consistories, S.P.R.S.

Although this means there are 22 Scottish Rite Brothers that still do not belong to a Consistory, this has improved greatly as last year we had 98. This will continue to be addressed and corrected as we continue moving forward with our efforts.

The breakdown of the State-wide membership is as follows:

- Valley of Bridgeport Initiated 29 members, Affiliated 1 member, Restored 8 members, Discharged 7 members, Demitted 2 members, and Reported 25 Deaths for a total year end gain of 4. The only Valley to see growth this past year. Congratulations.

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- Valley of Waterbury Initiated 12 members, Restored 3 members, Suspended 6 members, Discharged 2 members, Demitted 1 member, and Reported 15 Deaths for a total year end loss of 9.
- The Valley of Norwich Initiated 14 members, Discharged 2 members, Demitted 7 members, and Reported 19 Deaths for a total year end loss of 14.
- The Valley of New Haven Initiated 14 members, Restored 8 members, Suspended 3 members, Discharged 13 members, Demitted 3 members, and Reported 20 Deaths for a total year end loss of 17.
- The Valley of Hartford Initiated 16 members, Affiliated 1 member, Restored 4 members, Suspended 15 members, Discharged 3 members, Demitted 4 members, and Reported 48 Deaths for a total year end loss of 49.

Collectively, we experienced 85 Initiated, 2 Affiliated, 23 Restored, 24 Suspended, 27 Discharged, and 17 Demitted members this past year. We have also reported a total of 127 Deaths. Together, this represents an overall loss of 85 members from the previous year. Although this overall loss is down from last year's 161 member loss, it is still a loss.

The per capita tax of \$9,198 has been received by our Treasurer. Thank you for your prompt payments.

All the data used for this report comes directly from Supreme Council's MDS Database (a graph of which is shown next page).

Respectfully Submitted,
Anthony S. Angelica
Secretary
Council of Deliberation

CONNECTICUT COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION

Body	Members 6/16/2016	Initiated	Affiliated	Restored	Deaths	Suspended	Discharged	Demitted	Members 6/15/2017	Gain/Loss	Per Capita Tax Received
Lodges Of Perfection											
DeWitt Clinton	480	29	1	8	25	0	7	2	484	4	\$484.00
King Solomon	383	14	0	0	19	0	2	7	369	-14	\$369.00
Charter Oak	814	16	1	4	48	15	3	4	765	-49	\$765.00
E. G. Storer	453	14	0	8	20	3	13	3	436	-17	\$436.00
Doric	260	12	0	3	15	6	2	1	251	-9	\$251.00
TOTALS	2,390	85	2	23	127	24	27	17	2,305	-85	\$2,305.00
Councils, Princes of Jerusalem											
Washington	480	29	1	8	25	0	7	2	484	4	\$484.00
Van Rensselaer	383	14	0	0	19	0	2	7	369	-14	\$369.00
Hartford	814	16	1	4	48	15	3	4	765	-49	\$765.00
Elm City	453	14	0	8	20	3	13	3	436	-17	\$436.00
Ionic	260	12	0	3	15	6	2	1	251	-9	\$251.00
TOTALS	2,390	85	2	23	127	24	27	17	2,305	-85	\$2,305.00
Chapters, Rose Croix											
Pequonock	480	29	1	8	25	0	7	2	484	4	\$484.00
Norwich	383	14	0	0	19	0	2	7	369	-14	\$369.00
Cyrus Goodell	814	16	1	4	48	15	3	4	765	-49	\$765.00
New Haven	453	14	0	8	20	3	13	3	436	-17	\$436.00
Corinthian	260	12	0	3	15	6	2	1	251	-9	\$251.00
TOTALS	2,390	85	2	23	127	24	27	17	2,305	-85	\$2,305.00
Consistories, S.P.R.S.											
Lafayette	1,172	55	0	18	60	5	21	5	1,154	-18	\$1,154.00
Connecticut	582	14	0	3	37	3	6	8	545	-37	\$545.00
Nathan Hale	609	16	2	3	30	12	0	4	584	-25	\$584.00
TOTALS	2,363	85	2	24	127	20	27	17	2,283	-80	\$2,283.00

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, officers, and brethren of the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in session at New Haven, Connecticut on September 22, 2017:

The Wells Fargo Assets were found to be set up incorrectly many years ago. To gain access to the funds it was necessary to close the accounts and reopen new accounts. This was accomplished by opening two new savings accounts one with Simsbury Bank and one with Wells Fargo. At the time it was decided that there was no longer a need to keep the Learning Center assets so they were turned over to the Learning Center. The Hospitaler's Fund was transferred into the general fund.

Bank of America began charging a monthly service fee on our accounts and would not waive it per bank policy. Both accounts were closed and the funds were transferred to two (2) non-profit/no fee Simsbury Bank accounts, one Checking and one Savings. Below are the details:

General Fund

Balance as of August 1, 2016		\$217,649.80
RECEIPTS		
Supreme Council Receipts	\$0.00	
AASR Investment Trust Interest	\$3,063.73	
Bank Interest	\$16.61	
Pre-Paid Dinners	\$8,000.00	
Valley Contributions:		
Bridgeport	\$5,218.00	
Hartford	\$5,930.00	
New Haven	\$2,667.00	
Waterbury	\$780.00	
Norwich	\$1,731.00	

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Transfer of Hospitaler's Fund to General Fund	\$7,281.12	
Market Value of Investments Gain/(Loss)	\$22,142.05	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$56,829.51	
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE		\$274,479.31
EXPENSES		
Deputy Honorarium	\$1,000.00	
Active Honorarium	\$500.00	
Active Emeriti Honorarium	\$750.00	
Secretary Honorarium	\$1,000.00	
Treasurer Honorarium	\$500.00	
Printing, Postage & Supplies	\$2,191.09	
Web Site Maintenance & License	\$1,000.00	
Audit Fees	\$0.00	
MSA Awards and Jewels	\$760.00	
Supreme Council or C.O.D. Session	\$10,276.91	
Office Expense	\$0.00	
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$1,277.50	
33rd Dinner Expense	\$3,464.00	
Donations:		
Masonic Charity Foundation Endowment Fund	\$0.00	
AASR Masonic Museum & Library Fund	\$0.00	
Grand Lodge of CT Almoner's Fund	\$0.00	
DeMolay Youth Activities	\$0.00	
George Washington National Memorial	\$0.00	
32nd Degree Learning Center Support	\$4,025.44	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$26,744.94	
BALANCE AVAILABLE JULY 31, 2017		\$247,734.37

ADDITIONAL MONIES ON HAND**Learning Center Fund**

Balance as of August 1, 2016		\$4, 022.83
RECEIPTS		
Wells Fargo Bank Interest	\$2.61	
Withdraw check sent to Learning Center	(\$4,025.44)	
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE JULY 31, 2017		\$0.00

Hospitaler's Fund

Balance as of August 1, 2016		\$7,277.66
RECEIPTS		
Wells Fargo Bank Interest	\$3.46	
Withdraw transferred to Bank of America Checking	(\$5,794.00)	
Withdraw transferred to Wells Fargo Savings	(\$1,487.12)	
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE JULY 31, 2017		\$0.00

ASSETS**General Fund**

Bank of America Checking (Transferred to New SB Savings)	\$0.00
Bank of America Money Market (Transf. to New SB Savings)	\$0.00
Wells Fargo Savings (Transferred to New WF Savings)	\$0.00
Wells Fargo certificate of Deposit (Transf. to New WF Savings)	\$0.00
(New) Simsbury Bank Checking	\$4,732.58

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(New) Simsbury Bank Savings	\$12,645.95
(New) Wells Fargo Savings	\$20,510.78
BNY Mellon Investment Account (Market Value)	\$209,845.06
JULY 31, 2017 BALANCE	\$247,734.37

Learning Center

Wells Fargo Checking (Closed)	\$0.00
Wells Fargo certificate of Deposit (Closed)	\$0.00
JULY 31, 2017 BALANCE	\$0.00

Hospitaler's Fund

Wells Fargo Savings (Closed)	\$0.00
Wells Fargo Certificate of Deposit (Closed)	\$0.00
JULY 31, 2017 BALANCE	\$0.00

TOTAL ASSETS ON HAND JULY 31, 2017	\$247,734.37
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I would like to thank Illustrious Brother Chuck Warfield for his help in the year long process of clearing up the issues with Wells Fargo Bank. I would also like to thank the brethren for their continued support and for giving me the opportunity to serve as Treasurer of the Council of Deliberation for the past year.

Respectfully Submitted,
Richard R. Jones, Jr., 33°
Treasurer

Report was received by unanimous ballot and ordered printed in the proceedings.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

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

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Lodges of Perfection	\$3,000.00
Councils, Princes of Jerusalem	\$3,000.00
Chapters, Rose Croix	\$3,000.00
Consistories	\$3,000.00
AASR Investment Fund	\$5,000.00
Transfer from Investments	\$9,550.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS	\$26,550.00

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES

Deputy Allowance	\$1,000.00
Active Allowance (1 active)	\$500.00
Active Emeritus (5 emeriti)	\$1,250.00
Secretary Allowance	\$1,500.00
Treasurer Allowance	\$500.00
Printing	\$2,000.00
Website Maintenance	\$1,000.00
Postage	\$500.00
Audit	\$800.00
33 rd Awards	\$600.00
MSA Awards	\$400.00
T-shirts for Dyslexia Walk	\$1,300.00
33 rd Dinners - Candidates	\$1,000.00
Supreme Council Session	\$12,000.00
Accounting software update	\$150.00
DONATIONS	
Grand Lodge of CT Almoner's Fund	\$1,000.00
MCF Endowment Fund	\$500.00

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A.A.S.R. Library & Museum Anniversary Fund	\$500.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 25.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES	\$26,550.00

We recommend that the Treasurer be authorized after the 31st day of July to expend funds at the same rate as in this budget, until the next fiscal year budget shall have been approved.

We recommend that the Treasurer of each Lodge of Perfection pay to the Grand Lodge of CT Almoner's Fund and the Scottish Rite Almoner's Fund the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) each per capita for each person initiated in the Lodges of Perfection during the fiscal year 2016-17, returns to be made no later than August 31, 2017.

We further recommend that each member of the Connecticut Council of Deliberation urge all members of the Masonic brotherhood to consider gifts of individual donations by wills or codicils to present wills to the Grand Lodge Almoner's Fund and/or the Scottish Rite Almoner's Fund to perpetuate the great work of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.

We move that this report be accepted and the budget and the recommendations made be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Jones, 33°

Edward Ham, 33°

Charles McCollum, MSA 33°, Chairman

Report was received by unanimous ballot and ordered printed in the proceedings.

REMARKS FROM MARTIN EDE, 33°

III. Martin Ede, 33°, Most Excellent Grand High Priest
Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Connecticut, addressed the
Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers, and Brethren of the
Connecticut Council of Deliberation in session at New Haven,
Connecticut on September 22, 2017 with kind heartfelt remarks.

Report of the Committee on Insurance

Attached for the files is a Coverage Summary from Auburn
Insurance. This for the Valley of Hartford, but most of the
coverages are not specific to that Valley.

Our policies were renewed in August of this year and expire
8/1/2018. Auburn Insurance handles the coverage and according
to them the program has remained essentially unchanged for this
year with only minor adjustments.

Workers Compensation remains at \$1,000,000; Paraphernalia
remains at \$71,000, the Crime Coverage showed and increase in
the "On Premises" coverage to \$2,500,000 from \$1M other
coverages remained unchanged, Auto is unchanged at \$1M, we
added an additional Crime Policy for \$25,000, our General Liability
Coverages were increased, the Aggregate per location went from
\$2M to \$3M and the medical expense limit was increased from
\$5,000 to \$20,000, we added data processing coverage of \$1,000
with a \$5,000 deductible, the building value was increased by
about \$167,000 to \$3,462,028 and the Umbrella Coverage
remains at \$20M.

III. Brother Jeffery Hodgdon 33° at the Supreme Council Office at
(781) 465-3325 can respond to specific questions as can the
people at Auburn Insurance.

Submitted by:

Melvin E. Johnson

On behalf of the Committee:

Melvin E. Johnson 33° Chairman

Gordon C. Willoughby, 33°

Arthur M. Pugh 33°

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE RITE

To: The Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren of the Connecticut Council of Deliberation, Torrington, CT, on September 22, 2017,

As Chairman of the Committee I am pleased to present the following:

SUPREME COUNCIL: At the Supreme Council Session held on August 27th – 29th 2017 in Rochester, NY brothers David Urban from the Valley of Bridgeport and brother Dennis Cyr of Waterbury were nominated to receive the 33rd degree in 2019 in Milwaukee, WI. Congratulations to these two deserving brothers.

CONSISTORY DAY NOVEMBER 2, 2016: The Supreme Council of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite for both the Northern and Southern Jurisdictions declared November 2, 2016 “Consistory Day” across their entire jurisdictions. A gala event for Connecticut was planned and a combined cast from all three Consistories portrayed the 32nd degree in flawless perfection. A tremendous amount of work and effort went in to making the day and event an enormous success. As our Deputy has often expressed, we in Connecticut are fortunate as our Valleys are close enough in physical location to be able to have combined degrees and social events in which the entire State can participate. An issue to be

addressed in any such combined events will be the funding by the various bodies.

OUR SCOTTISH RITE HOMES: Each Valley is fortunate to have adequate funding and endowments in order to maintain and operate our Valley buildings. It is in these buildings and homes that we are able to portray our degrees, do the work of our Valleys and offer the social programs to our members and general public. Many of these bequeaths came to the Valleys long ago in times of different tax structures by generous benefactors. The Committee feels that attention should be given to the Valley's various building corporations so as to ensure the long-term health and existence of our Scottish Rite homes.

WATERBURY DYSLEXIA CENTER: Our Rite and this State should be justifiably proud of the work and the achievement that our Waterbury center have attained. Each Valley or Consistory operates a fund-raising program to fund their share for the school's benefit. These are to be commended and the Committee would offer this challenge to find more ways to raise the general public's awareness of our fraternity and ways to raise the support for our Learning Center in Waterbury.

VALLEY ACTIVITIES: All Valleys are to be commended for the numerous and diverse quality of the social programs and Family Life events they offer to our members. Many of these programs are very good vehicles for raising the level of awareness of the general public of our existence. Family picnics have been very popular and the challenge faced by all is the balance of cost versus what we charge our members to attend.

MEMBERSHIP: The Secretary of the Council's report has reported the raw statistics, so I will not re-hash them. It is the Committee's feeling that live degree work helps attract new, active members. The Committee is grateful for the number of degrees available on DVD's, but feel that these could be used as filler between live

degree presentations, or as a “catch-up” i.e. the 4th degree, Many Valleys have Blue Lodge Degree Teams that offer a Blue Lodge a chance to have one of the three degrees done by a visiting degree team. While this is an excellent way to market Scottish Rite to the only audience we have to attain new members, the Committee would not like to see these degree teams become the only way a Blue Lodge portrays their degrees. Retention is also a very important component of membership. Valleys have created telephoning and outreach committees, but the Committee feels more needs to be done in this area.

HOSPITALER / ALMONER FUNDS: Associated with the retention effort, many Valleys have acknowledged that and the importance of an active and caring Hospitaler or Almoners fund. The need is there and is great. The Committee would like all Valleys to examine their Hospitaler programs and look for ways to increase the funding and outreach for our brothers.

BEQUEATHS & FUNDING: No good “sales meeting” of a gathering of likeminded individuals would be complete without asking for the order. Tax laws have changed and contributions to our organization are not tax deductible, but as our members age, there might be many who have recognized the value and enjoyment they have received from their membership in our fraternity, and if asked they might be happy to bequeath or donate to help secure our future.

CONCLUSION: As have been expressed in the past at these Council of Deliberation Sessions, these standing committees are populated by the officers of the various Valleys as they work their way through the various stations of their respective bodies, moving from Committee to Committee. It is the State of the Rite Committee’s suggestion, that the Council of Deliberation create a more permanent type of structure on the various Committees and have members serve for a longer term than one year.

Respectfully Submitted,
Committee on the State of the Rite,
Austin P. Clark, 33°, Chairman
Richard A. Miller, 32°, Co-chairman
Frank Dlugoleski, MSA 32°, Co-Chairman
Eric P. Meyer, 32°
Charles H. Tirrell, MSA, 33°
Jason A. Fletcher, 32°
Dennis O. Cyr, MSA, 32°

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC PLANNING

Council of Deliberation September 22, 2017
Strategic Planning Committee Report

Good Afternoon Brothers,

The Chairman of the Strategic Planning Committee respectfully submits the following report for the upcoming year.

VALLEY OF NORWICH

Oct. 7, 4th, 5th & 14th degrees
Nov. 11 15th & 18th degrees
Dec. 9 30th & 32nd degrees
Feb. 10 4th & 14th degrees
Mar. 2 16th degree in banquet format
Mar. 24 18th & 31st degrees
May 5 32nd degree

The completion of these degrees will mark the end of a six-year cycle in which all 29 degrees were portrayed at least once by this Valley, either singly or in conjunction with another Valley.

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Planned Events in 2017-18 are:

Annual Players Club Banquet, College Scholarship Awards,
Annual North Stonington Fair Booth to benefit the Dyslexia
Learning Center

VALLEY OF HARTFORD

9/28 4th & 8th Degrees

10/12 12th & 15th Degrees

11/2 18th Degree

11/16 32nd Degree

2/8 The Portrayal of a Historical Play, 4th & 14th Degrees on DVD

2/22 16th Degree w/ceremonial opening 19th degree on DVD

3/8 18th Degree

3/22 The Feast of the Pascal Lamb

4/21 31st & 32nd Degrees

Upcoming Events:

Bus Trip to the Hudson Valley, Annual Meeting, Annual Workers
Night, Installation of Officers, Annual Scottish Rite Picnic &
Awarding of Scholarships, Annual 5k Race Supporting the
Children's Learning Center of Waterbury.

VALLEY OF WATERBURY

9/22 Hosting COD Annual Meeting

9/27 4th Degree video if needed Portrayal of the 6th Degree

10/25 4th Degree video if needed Portrayal of the 10th Degree

11/15 14th Degree

Upcoming Events

Ladies Appreciation Dinner, Installation of Officers, Annual
Dyslexia Walk.

VALLEY OF NEW HAVEN

10/16 5th Degree

11/6 28th Degree

11/13 Stated Meeting

Upcoming Events:

9/18 Candidate Information Night

10/30 Masonic Education Program

VALLEY OF BRIDGEPORT

Mon 09.25.2017 18th Degree

Sat 10.14.2017 15th & 16th Degrees

Mon 10.23.2017 12th Degree (Live) & 29th Degree (Blu-Ray)

Mon 11.13.2017 27th Degree

Mon 12.04.2017 32nd Degree

Upcoming Events:

Sat 11.04.2017 Connecticut Children's Dyslexia Center Fundraiser
Wine and Beer Tasting and Auction

Sat 11.11.2017 Dinner and Show at Westchester Broadway
Theatre "Annie Get Your Gun", Elmsford, NY

Thur 11.23.2017 16th Annual Turkey Trot Dave Urban's Annual
Fundraiser for Local Charities and Children's Dyslexia Center

Sat 12.09.2017 Day Trip to Boston, Boston Pops Holiday Concert,
Symphony Hall, Shopping at Quincy Market after Concert

The majority of our Valley's current strategic planning efforts are membership-oriented, with focuses on Communications, Degree Planning, Post-Degree Fellowship, Fellowship Events & Family Events, Blue Lodge Support, Membership Recruitment, and Membership Retention.

Each of our members get something different out of the Scottish Rite, which is why all of these things combined contribute to our membership retention and membership recruitment. Some Brothers are inspired to fill-out their Passport as quickly as they can. Some Brothers enjoy the fellowship they get after the Degrees. Other Brothers like being able to bring their family to some of our events. While we all get something different out of it, having a well-rounded experience in the Rite give our members

a reason to bring in candidates. This is why the Valley of Bridgeport keeps a member-oriented approach to our planning efforts.

CONCLUSION

The strategic planning committee is committed to continue the planning of degrees which will minimize their duplication throughout our valleys. We applaud the efforts of those valleys who have planned and executed programs, trips and family fun outside the realm of our degrees. We would ask the valleys who have not been as successful to rekindle some new enthusiasm for families as well as fraternal programing. I believe reaching out to other Connecticut valleys for assistance would be met with willing hands. We've seen many young faces among our newest 32° masons. Those masons are a large part of our futures continued growth. There are numerous avenues in freemasonry they can take. Let's do our part to assure they would stay involved in the A.A.S.R. along with their families.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joseph B. Cyr 33°, Chairman

ALLOCUTION OF THE ILLUSTIOUS COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

To the 138th Connecticut Council of Deliberation now in session in Torrington, Connecticut on September 22, 2017:

Sublime Princes;

I am pleased to submit my Annual Report as Deputy for the State of Connecticut, for the year ended June 30, 2017.

NECROLOGY -

This year, The Grand Architect of the Universe has seen fit to call to the Celestial Lodge above, four of our distinguished Brothers:

Robert E. Eno, 32°, M.S.A., Passed Away December 15, 2016

A member of the Valley of Hartford

Franklin D. Bushwack, 32°, M.S.A., Passed Away January 29, 2017

A member of the Valley of Norwich

John J. Sexton, 32°, M.S.A., Passed Away February 12, 2017

A member of the Valley of Waterbury

Clifford E. Brautigam, 32°, M.S.A., Passed Away March 18, 2017

A member of the Valley of Norwich

In addition, we had 127 Brothers who passed to the Celestial Lodge above.

Well done good and faithful servants, you have entered into that house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens and we are grateful for your service to Freemasonry. Amen

COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION -

The 137th session of the Connecticut Council of Deliberation was held on Saturday, September 17th, 2016 in New Haven, Connecticut, with the Valley of New Haven acting as hosts. Of the 270 members of this Council, there were 78 Brothers present including the Officers, Distinguished Brothers, and Permanent Members, along with 5 Invited guests from appendant bodies and our Most Worshipful Grand Master, Ill. Brother Gail N. Smith, 33°.

In addition to these Brothers, we were pleased to welcome Ill. Brother John William McNaughton, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, United States of America. After the required reports, nominations and ballots were concluded, we retired to the dining room, to join with our ladies, where we enjoyed fellowship and a complete prime rib dinner. After dinner, Ill. Brother Kevin J. Hecht, 33° performed the Meritorious Service Award ceremony for five Brothers nominated

by their peers. Following this ceremony, Sovereign Grand Commander McNaughton was called upon for remarks, which included the presentation of the Supreme Council Medal of Honor to Ill. James R. Spencer, Jr., 33°, for distinguished service to Freemasonry.

CHILDREN'S DYSLEXIA CENTER -

My Brothers, you have heard the reports of our Center Director as well as our Chairman of the Board of Governors. Our Board of Governors Chairman, Ill. William E. Bohman, 33° along with our center Director, Mrs. Cheryl Sharkis, continue to manage our financial responsibilities as well as our day to day operations, in a professional and dignified manner. We are indebted to Valley fundraising along with the Supreme Council contribution, which continue to assist this center with meeting its financial obligations and providing support to our student enrollment.

I would be remiss if I didn't recognize the special financial support from the Valley of Bridgeport, which helps keep our maintenance budget alive and well. In addition, our Active Emeritus, Ill. Brother David L. Sharkis, 33°, spends untold hours behind the scenes keeping the center clean, maintained, and up to the standards, developed by our local board as well as the Supreme Council. Even during some personal adversity, David has been true to his responsibilities and our hats are off to you!!

STATE OF THE RITE - Degree Work

All five valleys have not only provided their candidates with the required number of degrees, but have gone above and beyond through the use of both live and recorded degree portrayals. This has allowed several Brothers to fill their Masonic passports, as well as visitations from several Brothers outside Connecticut, to achieve their Masonic passport completion.

Joint degree presentations between Valley's have proven successful this year and I applaud the efforts of our Directors in

continuing this practice. The phrase "many hands make light work" comes to mind in the portrayal of our lessons, as well as the increased size of audience and candidate participation.

Degree presentations are continuing to be disrupted by cellular telephones ringing not only in the audience, but with some cast members. I cannot stress enough that we need to remind our Brothers as we open our degrees, to turn off or place on vibrate our cell phones. It is the Director's responsibility to remind the cast members of this cell phone requirement, as well.

Heads of Bodies - Opening and Closing:

Brothers, we have a tremendous amount of ritual talent throughout our State who can, and do, perform several different ritual parts in several different degrees. However, we have several Heads of Bodies among these ritual talents, who have not learned the official opening and closing declaration of their body. We in the Scottish Rite do not declare we are open on any particular degree, rather we open or close by "declaring the works of _____ body open or closed", as the case may be. Please take notice and govern yourselves accordingly.

ANNUAL MEETING -

The 2017 Annual Session was held in Rochester, New York on August 27th and 29th.

Along with Brother Charles A. Duke, 32°, M.S.A., we were pleased to have Brother Charles D. O'Neill, M.S.A, 32°, Brother Raymond Dolyak, M.S.A., 32°, and the Very Reverend Joseph R. Krusienki, 32°, all receive their Thirty Third Degree. These Brothers have toiled long and hard in the quarries of Freemasonry, and we are proud to reward their service and participation. As you move into a new role, that of leader and mentor, ever remember, we are all Master Masons and are all Brothers, first and foremost. A summary of this Annual session appears elsewhere in these proceedings.

GRAND LODGE -

Fraternalism within our Grand Lodge continues strong throughout Connecticut, with all of the Grand Lodge officers, continuing to work for, and within the Scottish Rite. I, along with all of our Active and Emeriti members, represented Connecticut Scottish Rite at this year's Annual session, and I was privileged to be able to introduce "Carnac, the Magnificent" at the Sunday evening banquet. The five Valleys of Connecticut Scottish Rite hosted the Grand Lodge hospitality room again this year, and my heartfelt thanks go out to Illustrious Brother Jack Farkas, M.S.A., 33°, for coordinating this effort. Illustrious Brother Farkas and his team were gracious hosts, and in addition, they provided several informational posters, brochures and FAQ's for non-members to take advantage of. Well done Brothers!

AWARDS -

This year Connecticut received \$ 10,500.00 in Abbott Scholarship monies, which will allow for 10 - \$ 1,000.00 scholarships and 1 - \$ 500.00 scholarship which will be matched by the awarding Valley for a net \$ 1,000.00 scholarship. Ill. Brother Jack J.S. Farkas, M.S.A., 33°, Scholarship Committee Chairman, works tirelessly on this project to recognize our youth in their continued educational careers. These awards were presented at various family picnic activities within our five Valleys. My Brothers, the 2018 Scholarship applications will need to be filled out on the Supreme Council website or they unfortunately will not be considered for award. We are an electronic world and we need to accept this.

I would be remiss if I didn't recognize the efforts of the Hartford Chapter #56 of the National Sojourners Association for their participation and presentation of all of the State JROTC and ROTC awards throughout the year. I sincerely appreciate your time away from your daily activities to make these presentations, as my job in Lexington precluded me from attending most of these ceremonies in our State.

Our Connecticut Valley Officers have again nominated well deserving Brothers to receive the Frederick H. Lorensen, 33°, Meritorious Service Award at our Council of Deliberation at this annual session. My Brothers, your continued service to our Fraternity is appreciated and recognized, and I would remind you this award is presented by your peers and is not meant to be a graduation, but a baptism for continued service to the Rite.

APPRECIATION -

I am indebted to our Active and Emeritus members, for their depth of knowledge and understanding of Scottish Rite Masonry. I have benefitted greatly from their wise council and willingness to step forward when requested. I can assure you, these Brothers all work hard, not for recognition, but for the good of Scottish Rite and Connecticut Masonry.

To all of our Valley's throughout the State, I appreciate your hospitality and courtesies extended to me and my wife Ann, when we have visited your several functions. We consider all of you our friends and family.

The Northern Jurisdiction has profited greatly by the leadership and inspiration of our Sovereign Grand Commander, Ill. John William McNaughton, 33°, and I can assure you, he is leaving our Scottish Rite in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, well positioned for future generations. We thank him for his service and wish him all the best in his retirement.

It's been my sincere pleasure serving you Brothers as Deputy for Connecticut, this year.

Fraternally and sincerely,
Bruce T. Work, 33°
Deputy for Connecticut

REMARKS FROM THE DEPUTY FOR THE ORIENT OF CT, A.A.S.R., PRINCE HALL AFFILIATION

Ill. Edward E. Cherry, 33°, Deputy for the Orient of Connecticut United Supreme Council, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Prince Hall Affiliation, Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A, addressed the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers, and Brethren of the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in session at New Haven, Connecticut on September 22, 2017 with kind heartfelt remarks.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, officers, and Brethren of the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in session at Torrington, Connecticut on September 22, 2017:

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

Valley of Bridgeport
Valley of Hartford

Valley of Norwich
Valley of New Haven
Valley of Waterbury

Guy O. Whelchel, III
Todd M. Gianetti
David S. LaFargue
John E. Stogden
No nominee
No nominee

Each of these Sublime Princes has been nominated by the presiding officers of their respective Valleys for their outstanding service to the Valley, Masonry, and the Scottish Rite

Respectfully submitted,

The Thrice Potent Masters
The Sovereign Princes
The Most Wise Masters
and the Commanders-in-Chief of the Valleys,
Eric W. Manner, 33°, Chairman

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

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD CEREMONY

(This ceremony and presentation was performed directly after the reading of the Meritorious Service Report during the C.O.D. session.)

Illustrious Brother Kevin J. Hecht, 33°, performed the ceremony while last year's recipients, Brothers Frederick J. Taft, M.S.A., 32° and Michael C. Jachimczyk, M.S.A., 32°, MSA, presented the medals and caps to Brother Guy O. Whelchel, III, MSA, and Brother David S. LaFargue, 32°, MSA.

Brother Todd M. Gianetti, 32°, MSA, and Brother John E. Stogden, 32°, MSA, not being present, will be presented the award at a future date at their respective Valley.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers, and Brethren of the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in session at New Haven, Connecticut on September 22, 2017.

CONNECTICUT COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION

Your Committee on Nominations offers the following slate of Officers to serve this Council of Deliberation for the year 2017 – 2018 as follows:

Commander-In-Chief	Bruce T. Work, 33 ⁰
Commander-In-Chief Emeritus	A. Norman Johnson, 33 ⁰
Commander-In-Chief Emeritus	Richard V. Travis, 33 ⁰
Commander-In-Chief Emeritus	James R. Spencer, Jr., MSA, 33 ⁰
Commander-In-Chief Emeritus	David L. Sharkis, 33 ⁰
First Lieutenant Commander	Kevin J. Hecht, 33 ⁰
First Lieut. Commander Emeritus	Gail N. Smith, 33 ⁰
Second Lieutenant Commander	Russell W. Griswold, MSA, 33 ⁰
Minister of State	Robert A. Simon, MSA, 33 ⁰
Chancellor	Joseph B. Cyr, MSA, 33 ⁰
Treasurer	Richard R. Jones, Jr., 33 ⁰
Treasurer Emeritus	Charles F. Warfield, 33 ⁰
Secretary	Anthony S. Angelica, 32 ⁰
Secretary Emeritus	Vernon K. Cleaves, 33 ⁰
Secretary Emeritus	Richard V. Travis, 33 ⁰
Prior	Very Rev. Joseph Krusinski, 33 ⁰
Master of Ceremonies	Ernest A. Dubois, MSA, 33 ⁰
Hospitaler	Richard E. Frazier, MSA, 33 ⁰
Seneschal	Kenneth B. Hawkins, 33 ⁰
Standard Bearer	Earl S. Evans, 33 ⁰
Captain of the Guard	Melvin E. Johnson, 33 ⁰
Sentinel	Raymond Dolyak, MSA, 33 ⁰
Historian	C. A. Duke, MSA, 33 ⁰

Fraternally,

THEODORE J. NELSON, III, 33⁰, Chairman

Report was received by unanimous ballot and ordered printed in the proceedings.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE NEXT PLACE OF MEETING

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, officers, and brethren of the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in session in Torrington, Connecticut on September 22, 2017:

It is with pleasure that you're Committee on the next place of meeting reports the meeting place will be hosted by the Valley of Bridgeport in 2018. More details will follow in the near future.

Your committee recommends the adoption of this report.

Respectfully submitted,
Martin Ede, MSA. 33°, Chairman
Shane Dufresne, 32°, Member
Jack J. S. Farkas, 33°, Spokesman

REMARKS OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER OF CONNECTICUT

Ill. and Most Worshipful Grand Master **THEODORE J. NELSON, III, 33°** addressed the room, giving warm heartfelt remarks to the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers, AND Brethren, of this Connecticut Council of Deliberation, and shared his thoughts on being a fraternity working together for the benefit of each other and growth to the fraternity.

CLOSING REMARKS AND BENEDICTION

The Illustrious Commander-in-Chief gave closing remarks, who then extended an invitation to the banquet for food and fellowship. The final Benediction and Grace was given by Ill. Bruce Bellmore, 33°. This event was well received and enjoyed by all.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RULES AND REGULATIONS

To the Illustrious Deputy, Dignitaries, and Brothers assembled at New Haven, CT on this 22nd day of September, 2017:

The Committee on Rules and Regulations did not receive any proposed changes to our Rules and Regulations for review, and therefore has no more than this fact to report.

Respectfully submitted,
Bradley K. Cooney, 33°, Chairman

REPORT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE 2017 SCOTTISH RITE SCHOLARSHIPS

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren of the Connecticut Council of Deliberation Meeting on September 22, 2017 the 138th COD session meeting in Torrington, CT:

This year, The Supreme Council, located in Lexington, Massachusetts has awarded \$10,500.00 to Connecticut for Abbott Scholarships. The State Scholarship Committee of the Connecticut Council of Deliberation has recommended 11 applicants to become 2017 Abbott Scholarship recipients. Following tradition, these recommendations were made to

Illustrious Bruce T. Work, 33rd, Deputy of Connecticut and to the Supreme Council.

Named for Leon M. Abbott, Sovereign Grand Commander from 1921 to 1932, the Scholarship Program provides financial support for the continuing education of young men and women from Scottish Rite families and Masonic-related youth groups. Since 1951, more than \$3 million has been awarded to students from each state of the Northern Jurisdiction.

Eligibility: Those meeting any of the following criteria are eligible to apply for the 2017 Abbott Scholarship program:

- A Scottish Rite Mason of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction.
- A child of a Scottish Rite Mason of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, who is a high school senior or currently enrolled at an accredited college or university, who has attained a minimum grade point average of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale.
- A member of DeMolay, Rainbow or Jobs Daughters in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, or a student from the Dyslexia Learning Center who is a high school senior or currently enrolled at an accredited college or university, who has attained a minimum grade point average of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale.

The State Scholarship Committee received a total of 29 applications from the five Valleys in Connecticut for the Abbott Scholarships. The 11 recipients of this year's scholarships demonstrated excellent scholarship and genuine financial need. Impressive letters of recommendations from teachers, professors and academic counselors supported all applications. Recipients also exhibited extensive volunteer community service, broad extracurricular activities, leadership and honors/awards in sports, music and drama. Some are holding part-time jobs during the

school calendar year and full-time summer employment to help pay for college costs.

This year, the Five Valleys in Connecticut have given their own College Scholarships. The Valley of Bridgeport has given 10 Valley scholarships, and 5 additional \$1,000 matching scholarships to the Abbott Scholarship recipients in Lafayette Consistory for a total of 15 Scholarships. The Valley of Hartford had 28 applications, and presented twenty 28 scholarships along with 3 Abbott Scholarships. The Valley of New Haven has given 5 scholarships along with one Abbott Scholarship, the Valley of Norwich has given 5 scholarships along with 3 Abbott Scholarships. The Valley of Waterbury presented 2 Valley Scholarships this year along with two Abbott Scholarships. Collectively, our five Valleys have awarded a total of fifty five (55) scholarships along with the eleven Abbott Scholarships this year for a total of 66 Scholarships.

The eleven recipients of the 2017 Abbott Scholarships are as follows:

1. Brigitte A. Curcio, University of Tennessee at Martin, Martin, TN \$1000
2. Seymour Mammadov, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT \$1000
3. Abigail M. Forsyth, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT \$1000
4. Christine S. Ward, University of South Carolina, SC \$1000
5. Leeanne X. Ward, James Madison University, VA \$1000
6. Jeff E. Morgan Jr., Southern Ct State University, CT \$1000
7. Sarena J. Stogden, University of Connecticut, CT \$1000
8. Cathryn M. Wilson, Eastern Connecticut State University, Willimantic, CT \$1000
9. Alyna J. Stober, University of Maine \$500
10. Stephanie C. Nevins, Northeastern University Bouve College of Health, MA \$1000
11. Dustin A. Lee, Norwich University, Northfield, VT

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The Scholarship Committee would like to thank our Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, the Council of Deliberation and our Scottish Rite Brethren for the privilege of serving in this capacity. We earnestly applaud our Valleys for providing their own scholarship programs. Assisting our youth in achieving their life goals by pursuing higher education is commendable and for this as Scottish Rite Masons, we all should all be very proud.

Thank you, my brothers.

Respectively submitted,

Les B. King, 32°

David R. Blythe Sr., 33°

Charles D. O'Neill, MSA, 33°

Vernon K. Cleaves, 33°

Jack J.S. Farkas, MSA, 33°, Chairman

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DISPENSATIONS AND CHARTERS

To the illustrious Commander in Chief, officers and brethren of the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in session at Torrington, Connecticut on September 22, 2017,

The committee submits the following report:

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

Respectfully submitted,

Austin P. Clark, 33°

Theodore J. Nelson, 33°

Kenneth B. Hawkins, Sr., 33°, Chairman

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren of the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Session at Torrington, Connecticut on September 22, 2017:

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

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

That so much as refers to Membership, Degree Work, Service to the Craft, Work in the Valleys including, but not limited to, such activities as Masonic Community Service Outreach Programs and Scottish Rite-DeMolay Activities be referred to the Committee on the State of the Rite.

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

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

Respectfully submitted,
Newton Buckner III, 33°
Jeffrey A. Flynn, 33°
John F. Martin, Jr., MSA, 33°, Chairman

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

To the Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Brethren on the Connecticut Council of Deliberation in Sessions at New Haven, Connecticut on September 22, 2017:

The Chairman of the State Membership and Retention Committee respectfully submits the following report for the year 2016-2017:

The State Membership and Retention Committee was unfortunately unable to meet in person over the past year, but was able to communicate electronically via email. Based on our discussions we would like to reiterate many of our past recommendations here.

The State Membership and Retention Committee recognizes that there are two primary concerns facing our committee that require our strict attention and focus; recruitment and retention. Successful recruitment and retention both necessitate that our Rite develop an environment that is simultaneously inspirational, convenient and enjoyable for both potential members and existing members.

As this committee has little power to compel individual valleys to adopt a uniform program for membership and retention, our committee has focused on collecting information regarding the best practices currently being adopted within the state, developing consistent resources and materials to assist valleys in adopting these best practices, and communicating this information to the respective valleys for adoption.

Our committee respectfully submits the following recommendations to ensure positive results in the areas of recruitment and retention. We advise each valley to accept the

recommendations that will work best for them and to adapt this material to meet their specific needs.

Inspirational Fellowship

The majority of Master Masons who join the Scottish Rite are seeking further light in Freemasonry. Light in Freemasonry is only transferred from brother to brother. For the rite to succeed in this goal, it requires inspirational fellowship, where brothers mutual labor together to expand their horizons and seek enlightenment. In accordance with this, we recommend the following programs to support inspirational fellowship.

- Form a valley welcome team. A small group of brothers should focus on ensuring that all members of the Rite attending a reunion feel welcomed and informed. These brothers should focus on meeting, greeting, and introducing brothers to other brothers who have similar interests. As a new member sitting by yourself, while other brothers form smaller cliques, is very unfriendly and will ensure lack of attendance in the future. A welcome team can help penetrate these cliques and make a new or returning member feel very comfortable.

- Form a valley retention team. A small group of brothers should focus on reaching out and contacting brethren who have not recently participated in our labors. By calling a brother or stopping by his house, he'll feel welcomed by the Rite and will be more likely to engage in our labors. In addition, this team should reach out and contact brethren who are in danger of being dropped for non-payment of dues. Reducing our number of NPD brethren should be made a top priority.

- Start a book club and/or study group. The Scottish Rite has long been considered the University of Freemasonry. By holding frequent discussions about our philosophy, history and ritual, we have the opportunity to live up to this name and fulfill an element of our brethren's search for enlightenment.

- Hold open discussions after degrees. Our rituals are filled with deeper meaning, expandable topics, and complex

history that can not always be explained in the short time during the degree. Many valleys have adopted discussion groups held after the degree in a more informal setting. This allows new brothers to ask questions about what they experienced and for more veteran brothers to give more instruction relative to the deeper meanings of our degrees.

- Build a structured leadership training program. The traditional means of training the leaders of our Rite has become difficult to maintain over the past few years. Learning solely mouth to ear is difficult given our competing priorities and reduced membership. This committee recommend creating a structured leadership training program to help build the leaders of tomorrow. This program could (and should) be conducted in coordination with several valleys and should focus on the five leadership competencies outlined by our Active Members of the Supreme Council; integrity, initiative, accountability, compassion, and altruism.

- Develop an active lodge ambassador program. Brothers who are active both in the Rite and in their local lodges should be selected to serve as lodge ambassadors. These brothers should receive regular instruction from the valley leadership regarding the information to communicate to their local lodges. This knowledge will help bridge the gap between our valleys and our lodges. These brothers should regularly invite both masons and non-masons to valley events and to encourage them to learn more about the Rite.

Convenient Communication

Unless our brethren, both new and experienced, are aware of our valleys programs and opportunities, it is impossible for them to engage in our labors. Unfortunately, the communication landscape is now much broader than in years past. Some brothers communicate primarily through electronic means now, while others still strictly use traditional means. Although it may be tempting to only focus on the latest innovative technologies in communication, we must adopt a multi-faceted approach the

meets the needs of all our members. We can not allow the prospects of the future come at the expense of the past. In accordance with this, we recommend the following programs to support convenient communication.

- Continue high-quality traditional postal bulletins. Having a physical copy that lists the most important details of our valleys, its programs and calendar is immensely valuable. Many of our valleys produce high quality publications that supply all our brethren with information, while at the same time can be used as a recruitment tool highlighting the benefits of the valley. We recommend that the distribution of these publications be opened beyond the members of our valleys and include all Grand Lodge and local lodge leadership.

- Circulate colorful and informative event fliers. Social events can be supported by the circulation of colorful and informative event fliers. These fliers can be mailed to all members, as well as given to members during reunions. This gives our members a physical handout that can be later given to potential members or returning members. In addition, degrees should be accompanied by degree programs and identify all members of the class and valley officers. This will give our new members material that can help them connect member faces with their names, and make them feel more comfortable.

- Conduct a consistent and frequent email notification program. Email is now used by the majority of our members and should be universally adopted as a means to communicate to our brethren on a frequent timely basis. The use of email services such as "Constant Contact" makes managing and deriving value from email-based communication easy and at a low cost. Several valleys have already adopted using email as a way to consistently keep their membership up to date through announcements, notifications, and the sharing of documentary resources.

- Adopt a strong social media presence. The rapid growth of social media makes it an undeniable resource for Scottish Rite membership recruitment and retention. By adopting a strong

social media presence, valleys can reach out to a wide range of potential new members, as well as communicate on a consistent basis with existing members. Although there are many options within the social media landscape, this committee only recommends the use of Facebook pages (not profiles) for valley communication. Many of the other options in the social media landscape are not as widely used or do not have the value needed for a strong social media presence within and without the Masonic fraternity.

Enjoyable Events

The heart and soul of Freemasonry is fraternalism. It depends on brethren gathering together and sharing one another's company. This is the most important aspect of our fraternity, the Scottish Rite, and our membership. The value proposition of our fraternity should be focused on the enjoyable events that we hold together from adult-oriented social events to family life events to our degree work. In accordance with this, we recommend the following programs to support enjoyable events.

- Create a program of diverse social events. Several valleys have shown that their membership growth and retention is intimately tied to the diversity and quality of their social events. By giving our brethren a wide range of options regarding meeting and interacting with their fellow members we ensure a strong, close-knit fellowship. Valleys should not be afraid to hold events that are focused on adult activities that do not include the entire family. Diversity in event scheduling is about balance and ensuring that there are events that will appeal to a wide range of members. Here are some examples of outstanding events that have been held during the past year that was enjoyed by our brothers, their spouses, and their friends:

- Chartered boat fishing trip
- Scotch and cigar nights, Winery bus tours
- Museum and special location Trips
- Trips Outside of the State to see other degrees

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- Sporting events (i.e. Baseball games)
- Athletic events (i.e. Road Races, Charity Walks)
- Picnics and family outings, Clambakes

• Vary the location, time or venue of degree work. Holding reunions in the same place, at the same time and in the same format for long periods of time can make members feel bored and drive them away. This committee recommends that valley make use of unique locations and places to help "spice" up the experience of our reunions. In addition, the standard day and time may be difficult for some brethren to attend, so holding degrees on different days or time may encourage some unseen brothers to return to our labors.

• Hold more large-scale degree conferrals. By conferring degrees with a large cast in the presence of hundreds of Scottish Rite Masons, it inspires awe in our new brethren and energized our existing membership. More degrees, especially the 32nd degree, should be conferred in conjunction with multiple valleys, if not the entire state. We are happy to see that Connecticut took full advantage of the 2016 Scottish Rite Day on November 12.

In closing, the Scottish Rite in Connecticut has done a tremendous job in making its programs and reunions be more inspirational, convenient and enjoyable. We would like to commend the efforts of our brethren across the state, who have tirelessly dedicated themselves to make the Scottish Rite experience be a fantastic journey towards further light in Masonry. Although much change has been implemented to transform our Rite into a more enlightening and pleasant experience, more work is on our horizon. Our fraternity is one that all our members should find value in. We hope that the efforts of this committee will help to further this goal.

Fraternally submitted,
Charles H. Tirrell, MSA 33°, Chairman
State Membership and Retention Committee

2016-2017 C.O.D. COMMITTEES

BUSINESS COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN	John F. Martin, Jr., M.S.A., 33°
MEMBER	Newton Buckner, III, 33°
MEMBER	Jeffrey A. Flynn, 33°

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN	Anthony S. Angelica, 32°
MEMBER	Burton F. Turner, 33°
MEMBER	Howard D. Turner, M.S.A., 33°

DISPENSATIONS CHARTERS COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN	Kenneth B. Hawkins, 33°
MEMBER	Theodore J. Nelson, III, 33°
MEMBER	Austin P. Clark, 33°

FINANCE COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN	Anthony F. Keegan, 33°
MEMBER	Richard R. Jones, Jr., 33°
MEMBER	Edward R. Ham, 33°

INSURANCE COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN	Melvin E. Johnson, 33°
MEMBER	Arthur M. Pugh, 33°
MEMBER	Gordon C. Willoughby, 33°

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN	Eric W. Manner, 33°
MEMBER	All Presiding Officers of All Valley's

NEXT PLACE OF MEETING COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN	Jack J.S. Farkas, M.S.A., 33°
MEMBER	John F. Kessler, 33°
MEMBER	Howard D. Turner, M.S.A., 33°

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NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN Theodore J. Nelson, III, 33°
MEMBER All Honorary Members

RULES & REGULATIONS COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN Bradley K. Cooney, 33°
MEMBER Earl S. Evans, M.S.A., 33°
MEMBER Gary G. Arseneau, 33°

STATE OF THE RITE COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN 3 - Commanders-in-Chief (Norwich Presents)
MEMBER Executive Committee Chairman – All Valleys

HISTORIAN COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN C.A. Duke, M.S.A., 33

MEMBERSHIP & RETENTION COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN Charles H. Tirrell, M.S.A., 33°
MEMBER Whitney P. McNulty, M.S.A., 33°
MEMBER Joseph B. Cyr, M.S.A., 33°
MEMBER Arnold Grot, M.S.A., 32°

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN Jack J.S. Farkas, M.S.A., 33°
MEMBER All Valley Secretary's

STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN 3 - First Lieut. Commanders (Norwich Presents)
MEMBER Executive Committee Vice-Chairmen - All Valley's

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

CO-CHAIRMAN David L. Sharkis, 33°
MEMBER Frank G. Way, M.S.A., 33°, Webmaster
MEMBER All Valley Secretary's

Alternate Year COD Planning COMMITTEE

CO-CHAIRMAN Jack J. S. Farkas, M.S.A., 33°
MEMBER Richard R. Jones, Jr., 33°
MEMBER All Valley Secretary's

HONORARY MEMBERS OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL

Robert C Stalhammer	9/28/1977
William F Carpenter	9/24/1980
Arthur J McKinney	9/30/1981
Leo H Lohrman	9/29/1982
Austin P Clark	9/26/1984
Leonard F D'Amico	8/31/1987
George A Nousiainen	8/31/1987
Carleton V Erickson	9/27/1988
Thomas M Maxwell II	9/27/1988
Vernon K Cleaves	8/29/1989
Robert E Strom	9/29/1992
Matthew F Griffin	8/31/1993
Richard A Incorvati Sr.	8/31/1993
Charles F Warfield	8/31/1993
Edward R Ham	9/27/1994
Robert D Sherrick	9/27/1994
Clyde W Kayser II	8/27/1996
Raymond G Schuster	8/27/1996
Russell F Haugh Jr.	9/23/1997
Fred B Candee Jr.	9/29/1998
Burton F Turner	9/29/1998
Charles B Fowler Jr.	9/28/1999
Walter E Kaechele	9/28/1999
Charles C Maxson	9/28/1999
Arthur M Pugh Sr.	9/28/1999

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William E Bohman	9/26/2000
Howard Wm Orr	9/26/2000
Barry M Spero	9/26/2000
Randy S Stevens	9/26/2000
John M Van Kirk	9/26/2000
Bradley K Cooney	9/25/2001
John F Martin Jr.	9/25/2001
Bruce R Bellmore	9/3/2002
Theodore J Nelson III	9/3/2002
Kenneth B Hawkins Sr.	9/23/2003
Anthony F Keegan	9/23/2003
Donald L Smith	9/23/2003
Alfred C Adinolfi	9/21/2004
Dr. Herbert W Mower	9/21/2004
Gerald F Thompson	9/21/2004
Charles A Buck Jr.	8/30/2005
Jack J S Farkas	8/30/2005
John F Kessler	8/30/2005
Gustaf R Bodin	8/29/2006
Joseph B Cyr	8/29/2006
Jack H Stevens	8/29/2006
Howard D Turner	8/29/2006
David R Blythe Sr.	8/27/2007
Arthur H Carlstrom	8/27/2007
Richard R Jones Jr.	8/27/2007
Steven P Schreck	8/27/2007
Paul L Chello	8/26/2008
Sidney W Isenberg	8/26/2008

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Richard C Memmott Sr.	8/26/2008
Francis G Way	8/26/2008
Eric W Manner	8/25/2009
Ralph W Rose	8/25/2009
Charles W Yohe	8/25/2009
Newton Buckner III	8/31/2010
Martin Ede	8/31/2010
Russell W Griswold	8/31/2010
Whitney P McNulty	8/31/2010
Carl J Mossberg	8/31/2010
Kenneth A Barrett	8/30/2011
Jeffery A Flynn	8/30/2011
Carl Anderson	8/28/2012
William L Breed	8/28/2012
Ernest A Dubois	8/28/2012
Richard E Frazier	8/28/2012
Craig T McClellan	8/28/2012
Robert A Simon	8/28/2012
Gary W Arseneau	8/20/2013
Earl S Evans	8/20/2013
Roger W Read	8/20/2013
Charles H Tirrell	8/20/2013
Vincent A Cowie	9/1/2015
Melvin E Johnson	9/1/2015
Charles A McCollum	9/1/2015
George G Talisse	9/1/2015
Gordon C Willoughby Jr.	9/1/2015
Raymond J Dolyak	8/29/2017

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Charles A Duke	8/29/2017
Very Rev. Joseph R Krusienski	8/29/2017
Charles D O'Neill	8/29/2017

RECIPIENTS OF THE ILL. ARTHUR M. BROWN, 33°, MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

Robert C. Stalhammer	1971	Willis E. Copeland, Jr.	1994
Arthur J. McKinney	1980	John F. Martin, Jr.	1994
James R. Spencer, Jr.	1980	Donald L. Smith	1994
Richard E. Frazier	1983	Bruce R. Bellmore	1995
Troy S. Adcox	1985	Clyde W. Kayser, II	1995
Thomas M. Maxwell, II	1985	Bradford H. Ross	1996
Paul D. Lodola	1986	Donald S. Sabo	1996
Carl L. Edgerton	1988	Steven P. Schreck	1996
Morton N. Katz	1988	Richard A. Eppler	1997
William L. Milton	1988	Thomas R. Sulier	1997
Allen N. Morander	1989	Alfred J. Chapman	1998
Donald E. Robinson	1989	Rudolph A. Gaydos, Jr.	1998
George E. Long	1990	Peter M. Gray	1999
Kenneth E. Fears	1991	Samuel A. Frink	2000
Herbert W. Mower	1991	Grey D. Zane, Sr.	2000
Irving Lieff	1992	Joseph B. Cyr	2001
Charles H. Reeve	1992	Bruce M. Hanson	2001
Russell F. Haugh, Jr	1993	Roger W. Read	2001
Robert D. Sherrick	1993	Adam J. Karovsky, Jr.	2002
John W. Taylor, Jr.	1993	Frank H. Lesco	2002

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Howard D. Turner	2002	Charles D. Weiss	2008
Jack J. S. Farkas	2003	Danny A. Camp	2008
Gerald F. Thompson	2003	William F. Manger	2008
Arthur H. Carlstrom	2004	Allen G. Meyerjack	2008
Ernest A. Dubois	2004	Robert A. Simon	2008
Whitney P. McNulty	2004	Charles B. Clark	2008
Daniel George	2004	William L. Breed	2009
Ralph W. Rose	2005	Earl S. Evans	2009
Jack H. Stevens	2005	Charles A. McCollum	2009
David B. Urban	2005	David M. Costner	2010
Franklin J. Davis	2005	Rev. Craig T. McClellan	2010
Raymond Dolyak	2006	Elliott J. Wilcox	2010
Martin Ede	2006	Lewis O. House, IV	2011
Harry E. Needham, III	2006	Nicola M. Iannone	2011
Francis G. Way	2006	Charles D. O'Neil	2011
Richard A. Wingate	2006	Robert J. Cascone	2012
Russell W. Griswold	2007	Dennis O. Cyr	2012
Carl J. Mossberg	2007	Frank Dlugoleski	2012
Gary D. Shepard	2007	Jon M. Fischer	2012
Charles H. Tirrell	2007	John Sasser, III	2012

RECIPIENTS OF THE ILL. FREDERICK H. LORENSON, 33°, MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

Dale T. Cunningham	2013	Jeff L. Stober	2013
Harvey Hartin	2013	Steven H. Allinson	2014
David M. Robinson	2013	Edward I. Childs	2014

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Daniel Galozza	2014	Michael C. Jachimczyk	2016
Walter Grube	2014	Les B. King	2016
Paul B. Iltchenko	2014	Frederick J. Taft	2016
John Amarilios	2015	Kirk C. Trofatter, Jr	2016
Orville Campbell, Jr.	2015	Todd M Gianetti	2017
Robert J. Furce	2015	David S LaFargue	2017
Arnold Grot	2015	John E. Stogden	2017
James Kleinkauf	2015	Guy O Whelchel III	2017
Thomas E. Beck	2016		

DEPUTIES OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL FOR THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

<i>(* Denotes Deceased)</i>	Elected Deputy	Died
*Charles William Carter	May 19, 1865	June 13, 1903
*Charles Learned Hubbard	Sept. 16, 1903	Nov. 12, 1918
*Charles Melville Gerdenier	Feb. 07, 1918	Dec. 03, 1940
*Arthur Morton Brown	Dec. 03, 1940	June 12, 1949
*Chauncey Houston Clements	June 13, 1949	Mar. 26, 1958
*Irving Emerson Partridge	Mar. 27, 1958	May 11, 1981
*Leon Alvah Bradbury	Sept. 25, 1975	Dec. 06, 1984
*William Campbell	Sept. 28, 1978	June 26, 1981
Arthur Norman Johnson	July 01, 1981	
*Frederick Howard Lorenson	Sept. 28, 1994	Aug. 26, 2010
Richard Vernon Travis	Sept. 23, 1997	
James Ralph Spencer, Jr.	Aug. 29, 2006	
David Louis Sharkis	Aug. 30, 2011	
Bruce Tyler Work	Aug. 23, 2014	

ACTIVE MEMBERS OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL FOR THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

<i>(* Denotes Deceased)</i>	Honorary	Active	Died
*George Whitefield Bentley	Jan. 28, 1863	Oct. 20, 1864	June 05, 1901
*William Riley Higby	Apr. 26, 1858	Oct. 20, 1864	Sept. 04, 1902
*Charles William Carter	May 18, 1865	May 19, 1865	June 13, 1903
*Henry Odgen Canfield	Sept. 17, 1901	Sept. 16, 1903	July 25, 1910
*Charles Learned Hubbard	Sept. 18, 1894	Sept. 16, 1903	Nov. 12, 1918
*Albert Seymour Comstock	Sept. 15, 1903	Sept. 18, 1919	Aug. 25, 1936
* Charles Melville Gerdenier	Sept. 20, 1904	Sept. 22, 1910	Dec. 03, 1940
*Carlton Hickox Stevens	Sept. 19, 1922	Sept. 25, 1941	Sept. 28, 1943
*Arthur Morton Brown	Sept. 17, 1918	Jan. 07, 1937	June 12, 1949
*Chauncey Houston Clements	Sept. 29, 1943	Sept. 28, 1944	Sept. 28, 1944
* Irving Emerson Partridge	Sept. 26, 1945	Sept. 29, 1949	May 11, 1981
*Frederick William Hummel	Sept. 24, 1941	Sept. 24, 1958	Feb. 28, 1982
*Leon Alvah Bradbury	Sept. 25, 1968	Sept. 27, 1971	Dec. 06, 1984
*William Campbell	Sept. 27, 1967	Sept. 28, 1978	June 26, 1981
Arthur Norman Johnson	Sept. 30, 1970	Sept. 27, 1979	
*Frederick Howard Lorensen	Sept. 24, 1975	Oct. 01, 1981	Aug. 26, 2010
Richard Vernon Travis	Sept. 24, 1986	Aug. 27, 1996	
Gail Nelson Smith	Sept. 25, 1985	Sept. 26, 2000	
James Ralph Spencer, Jr.	Sept. 28, 1983	Sept. 03, 2002	
David Louis Sharkis	Sept. 03, 2002	Sept. 26, 2008	
Bruce Tyler Work	Aug. 25, 1990	Aug. 29, 2011	
Kevin Joseph Hecht	Sept. 29, 1998	Aug. 23, 2014	

RULES AND REGULATIONS

FOR THE CONNECTICUT COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION ANCIENT ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY

ARTICLE I

Title and Allegiance

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

Sec. 2 It is formed under and hereby acknowledges and yields allegiance to the Supreme Council of Sovereign Grand Inspectors General of the Thirty-third and last degree of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the

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Northern Jurisdiction of the United States of America, having its Grand East in the city of Lexington, Massachusetts.

ARTICLE II

Meetings, Notices, Quorum

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

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

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

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

ARTICLE III

Members, Officers

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

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

- First Lieutenant Commander
- Second Lieutenant Commander
- Minister of State
- Chancellor
- Prior
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Hospitaler
- Master of Ceremonies
- Seneschal
- Standard bearer
- Guard
- Sentinel

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

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

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

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

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

Sec. 7 Semi-public installation of the officers of Scottish Rite Bodies in this State is permitted.

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

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

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

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

ARTICLE IV

Standing Committees

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

Committee on Business

Committee on Credentials

Committee on Dispensations and Charters

Committee on Finance

Committee on Meritorious Service Award

Committee on Necrology

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Committee on Next Place of Meeting

Committee on Nominations

Committee on Rules and Regulations

Committee on State of the Rite

Committee on Insurance

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

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

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

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

Sec. 6 The Committee on Meritorious Service Award shall consist of the Presiding Officers of the Bodies of the Rite in the State, who shall present recommendations in writing through the Chairman of the Committee, to the Commander-in-Chief prior to each Council of Deliberation annual meeting.

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

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

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

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

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

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

ARTICLE V

Finances

Sec. 1 The Secretary of each Body of the Rite in this State shall, annually, at least 7 days prior to the annual meeting forward to the Secretary of the Council of Deliberation a detailed statement of the proceeding year's work and a remittance of the per capita tax of one dollar (\$1.00) (as amended 8/15/2007) per each member on its roll of membership as of May 31.

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

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

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

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

ARTICLE VI

Jurisdiction of Valleys

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

ARTICLE VII

Meritorious Service Award

Sec. 1a An award be known as the "Arthur M. Brown, 33°, Meritorious Service Award" is hereby renamed for the State of Connecticut to be known as the "Frederick H. Lorenson, 33°, Meritorious Service Award". It shall be conferred upon Scottish Rite Masons who, by reason of meritorious services of a masonic character, are worthy and should be so cited.

Sec. 1b The award shall consist of a jewel in memory of the late Deputy for this State, Ill. Frederick H. Lorenson, 33°.

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

Sec. 1d The awards in any one year shall not exceed the number of Valleys in the State, and nominations hereafter shall be so limited that no Valley shall have more than two holders of such award per seventy-five (75) members in its

Lodge of Perfection; provided, however, that if in any one year a Valley would be prevented by such limitation from having a member eligible to receive the award, the Presiding Officers of such Valley may present one nomination to the Council of Deliberation which may confer the award on the member so nominated, even though it exceeds the above limitation. Such number of awards may be reduced by the Council of Deliberation, but may not be increased. (N.B. Not to exceed Constitutional limitation on nominations in each valley.) [ART. 905(d)]

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

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

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

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

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

Sec. 4 The jewel shall consist of an ornamented gold bar, one and a half inches long, with the words "Connecticut Council of Deliberation" in gold letters set in red enamel. A second gold bar, one and a quarter inches long, is suspended from the first bar by 5 gold links. On this bar shall be the words "Frederick H. Lorenson, 33°, Meritorious Service Award" in gold letters set in red enamel. A double headed eagle, emblem of the Thirty-Second Degree, is suspended from this second bar by three gold links. The figures "32" are of gold set in a triangle of black enamel. The height of the jewel shall be two and three-quarters inches.

ARTICLE VIII

Amendments

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Sec. 1 By Amendment of the Supreme Council Constitutions, etc. Upon amendment of the constitutions and regulations of the Supreme Council of Sovereign Grand Inspectors General of the Thirty-third and last degree of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America, or upon the promulgation or any decree of said Supreme Council, inconsistent with any provision of these Rules and Regulations, then in every such event, and without any further act or deed whatsoever, these Rules and Regulations shall be deemed to be and shall be automatically amended in conformity therewith.

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

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

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