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Schedule

Please visit our website for any changes made after time of publication. As well as rehearsal dates.

www.valleyofhartford.org/calendar.html

Thursday, February 7th, 2013
Valley of Hartford Open House, 7:30 PM.

Thursday, February 21st, 2013
Portrayal of the 4th Degree, *Master Traveler.*
Portrayal of the 14th Degree, *Grand Elect Mason.*

Thursday, March 7th, 2013
Portrayal of the 10th Degree, *Master Elect.*
Portrayal of the 16th Degree, *Prince of Jerusalem.*

Saturday, March 23rd, 2013
Portrayal of the 17th Degree, *Knight of East and West.*
Portrayal of the 18th Degree, *Knight of Rose Croix.*

Registration begins at 8am, Degrees start promptly at 9am. Luncheon to follow Degree work.

Saturday, April 27th, 2013
Valley of Hartford Consistory Day
Portrayal of the 25th Degree, *Master of Achievement.*
New 32nd Degree, *Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret.*

Registration begins at 8am, Degrees start promptly at 9am. Luncheon to follow Degree work.

Thursday, May 1st, 2013
ANNUAL MEETING and Election of Officers.

Thursday, May 9th, 2013
Annual Worker's Night Banquet and Installation of Officers for 2013-2014. By Invitation.

Saturday, May 11th , 2013
Family Life Bus Trip: "*Friesians of Majesty*"

Thursday, July 18th , 2013
2013-2014 Officer's Summer Planning Meeting. By Invitation.

Saturday, July 27th, 2013
5th Annual Road Race for Dyslexia. Valley of Hartford.

Special Note Concerning Applications

As of July 1st , 2012, the Application Fee for membership in the Scottish Rite, Valley of Hartford, has been raised to $150.00. Please obtain the new petition forms from the Valley secretary. A minimum fee of $45.00 should accompany the petition, the check made out to "Valley Of Hartford, A.A.S.R."

Last Date for Petitions, for the 2013 Spring Class is February 21.

Winter Office Hours

The office will be open from 9:00 AM to Noon. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Please **call** beforehand to make sure the office is open.

The Valley of Hartford Office will be closed on:

Friday, March 29, 2013

NOTICE OF CORRECTION:
2012-2013 Calendar of Events and Directory

Page 14 – The e-mail address and phone number as show is incorrect for Earl S. Evans, M.S.A. The correct e-mail address is: earlevans@earthlink.net and phone number: home (860) 665-7566 and cell (860) 951-2464.

Degree Schedule In Depth

Charter Oak Lodge of Perfection

Thursday, February 21st

4th Degree, *Master Traveler* and the 14th Degree, *Grand Elect Mason.*

Hartford Council Princes of Jerusalem

Thursday, March 7th

10th Degree, *Master Elect* and the 16th Degree, *Prince of Jerusalem.*

Evening's Schedule

6:10 to 7:00 PM …All You Can Eat Buffet Dinner at the **Sphinx Shrine Dinning Room.**
7:00 to 7:30 PM ….Candidate sign in and Passport stamping.
7:30 PM …. Portrayal of the Degrees.
½ hr Social Hour following Degrees.

Dinner Reservations are require, see the sign up forms on page 19.

Cyrus Goodell Chapter of Rose Croix of H.R.D.M.

Saturday, March 23, 2013

17th Degree *Knight of the East and West*

18th Degree *Knight of Rose Croix*

Day's Schedule

8:00 to 9:00 AM ..... Registration, Passport stamping and pick up of meal tickets.
9:00 AM ….Portrayal of the 17th Degree.
10:15 AM ...Portrayal of the 18th Degree.
½ hr Social Hour following Degrees.
Luncheon to be served approximately at noon at the **Sphinx Shrine Dinning Room.**
Cash Bar. Free drink ticket supplied with luncheon purchase.

Luncheon Reservations are require, see the sign up forms on page 19.

Nathan Hale Consistory, S.P.R.S, 32°

Saturday, April 27th

25th Degree, *Master of Achievement.*

32nd Degree, *Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret.*

Day's Schedule

8:00 00 AM .... Registration, Passport stamping and pick up of meal tickets.
9:00 AM ….Portrayal of the 25th Degree.
10:15 AM ...Portrayal of the 32nd Degree.
Luncheon to be served approximately at noon at the **Sphinx Shrine Dinning Room.**

Luncheon Reservations are require, the sign up form will appear in the next Issue of the View.

Valley of Hartford Secretaries Desk

David Blythe 33°, Valley Secretary

View of the Valley, Reservation Forms, Calendar: All On-Line

Copies of *View of the Valley* (in PDF format), petitions and reservation forms, as well as a calendar of Valley events, are all available on the Valley's website http://www.valleyofhartford.org Please bookmark this site, as it is the most up-to-date reference of Valley events available. A common calendar of all Scottish Rite events in CT is available at http://www.ctcouncilofdeliberation.org/calendar.html

Valley of Hartford Necrology

Since the last publication of the *View of the Valley*, we have been notified of the following deaths. We mourn the passing of our fellow brethren who have been called to the eternal Paradise of the Grand Architect. (*50 year members designated by **italics**)*

Death Notifications between September 1, 2012 and November 30, 2012

	Home Blue Lodge	Passed On:
Maurice H. Bither	Euclid Lodge #109	09/27/2012
William E. Bloethe	Unity Lodge #148	09/06/2012
Albert E. Corning	Unity Lodge #148	08/14/2012
Robert M. Cromwell	Valley Lodge #36	09/26/2012
Samuel John Dorr	Corinthian Lodge #103	07/27/2012
Thomas S. George	Wyllys-St. John's #4	10/21/2012
Russell F. Haugh Sr.	Friendship Lodge #145	11/17/2012
Granville V. Henthorne	Warren Lodge #51	10/10/2012
Simon S. Jaffee	Sequin-Level Lodge #140	11/25/2011
Peter P. Keithan	Washington Lodge #81	07/08/2012
Carl D. McKelvie	Hospitality Lodge #128	03/13/2012
Richard T. Pietras	Friendship Tuscan Lodge #145	07/11/2012
Richard D. Ranney	Orient Lodge #62	11/08/2012
Charles R. Smith	Friendship Lodge #145	10/09/2012
Francis H. Stiles	Washington Lodge #70	07/08/2012
Malcolm Usher	Estuary Lodge #43	05/13/2012
Richard E. Uziemblo	Hartford Evergreen Lodge #88	07/18/2012
Charles G. Wood	Silas Deane Lodge #147	07/17/2012

Inclement Weather Announcements

Until April 1, 2013, please use the following guidelines with regards to the normal Valley of Hartford Office Hours and events.

- Any time that the Newington School System is closed, the office will be closed. For a delayed school opening we will either be closed or have a late opening also. Please always call ahead when in doubt.

- A Constant Contact email will be updated around 4:00 PM for events scheduled on dates Newington Schools are canceled or if it is snowing as of 3:00 PM. The email will determine if the event for that evening has been canceled and reschedule. This will not cover rehearsals.

- In the event that we need to cancel an activity the Valley Secretary will have the cancellation posted on the following News outlets when possible:

  ABC (WTNH – TV8)
  CBS (WFSB – TV3)
  FOX (WTIC – TV6)
  NBC (WVIT – TV4)

- If you are uncertain of a cancellation and cannot use the above methods please call Bro. David R. Blythe Sr., the Valley Secretary, directly at (203) 265-1801.

2013 DUES NOTIFICATION INFORMATION

The 2013 membership dues bills for the Valley of Hartford were mailed out in October and are now due. If you have not received your membership dues bill as of yet, please notify the Valley Office. If you are having financial trouble making payment please contact the Hospitaler Chairman, Ill. Bro Kevin J. Hecht, 33^0, at (203) 272-7200, or via mail him at: kjh@kjhecht.com. The Valley of Hartford Special Fund may be able to help. All discussions will be kept strictly *CONFIDENTIAL*.

HOW TO PAY YOUR DUES ONLINE

To access the Scottish Rite Supreme Council Credit Card payment procedure visit ***www.ScottishRiteNMJ.org*** and follow these instructions:

- Click on "Member's Center" located on the top right corner of the page;
- Click on "Pay Your Dues Online".
- *First-time visitors must register as a new user.*
- Once registered, login to pay your dues. You may also donate to Valley charities!

Note: Please be sure to have your membership number (located on your dues card and billing notice) and credit card ready.

It's That Easy!

ATTENTION – Members in the Military

If you are a member of any of the branches of the U.S. Military, and are on active duty overseas, please notify the Valley Office of your current status and length of duty overseas. The Supreme Council (NMJ) now has a program in place that might qualify you exempt from your current dues obligation and upcoming dues billing while you are deployed overseas. Please contact the Valley Office at sect@snet.net if this is the case or you are requesting further information.

"THE HOSPITALER"

You may ask, "What is a Hospitaler"? A Brother Hospitaler of St. John of God was a member of the Roman Catholic religious institute founded in 1540 at Granada , Spain. They were devoted especially to the care of the sick and needy. In the Valley of Hartford , although not affiliated with the religious order, the Hospitaler's responsibilities are no different. He stands ready, willing and able to provide assistance to any Valley of Hartford Brother who is sick or is otherwise in need of assistance. If you are, or know of, a Valley of Hartford Brother who is sick or otherwise is in need of assistance, you may request assistance from the Hospitaler for the Valley of Hartford , Kevin J. Hecht, via e-mail at kjh@kjhecht.com or phone at either (203) 272-7200 (office) or (860) 628-7319 (home).

Fraternally, Kevin

All requests for assistance are strictly confidential

2013 Leon M. Abbott And Valley of Hartford Scholarships

Valley of Hartford 2013 College Scholarship applications are now available at the Valley of Hartford office or the Valley website at: www.valleyofhartford.org. Abbott Scholarship applications can be obtained at the the Valley of Hartford Office or by visiting the Supreme Council's website at: **www.supremecouncil.org**. To qualify for a Scholarship you must meet one of the following requirements.

Scholarship Eligibility Requirements:

- A Scottish Rite Mason of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction currently enrolled in an accredited college or university maintaining a GPA of at least 2.75 on a 4.0 scale. *Fulfills requirements of both Scholarships.*
- **Abbott Scholarship:** A child of a Scottish Rite Mason of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, or a member of DeMolay, Rainbow or Job's Daughters, who is currently enrolled in an accredited college or university maintaining a GPA of at least 2.75 on a 4.0 scale.
- **Valley of Hartford Scholarship**: A child or grandchild of a Scottish Rite Mason of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, or a graduate of the Connecticut Dyslexia Center, or a member of DeMolay, Rainbow or Job's Daughters, who is a high school senior or is currently enrolled in an accredited college or university maintaining a GPA of at least 2.75 on a 4.0 scale. **Note:** High School Seniors awarded a Scholarship will not receive and funds till the 2nd half of their Freshman year once an official college transcript is received by the Valley.

Note: Scottish Rite Mason MUST be in good standing at the time of application.

All applications, along with the required supporting documents, are due by April 1, 2013.

When submitting an application the following items that need to be furnished in order to be considered:

- Completely filled in application, signed, and submitted in duplicate.
- One, or more, letters of recommendation from teachers, professors, or academic councilors.
- A current full copy of the applicant's FASA Report, not just a FASA cover page.
- An Official Academic Transcript from your school. Transcripts can be attached to application in a sealed envelope, or can be mailed to the Valley of Hartford office.
- All of the above items need to be submitted, and in the office of the Valley of Hartford, by no-later-than April 1, 2013.

Whether it be an Abbott Scholarship or Valley Scholarship, the Scholarships are awarded based on: excellent academic performance and genuine financial need. Further pluses to applications include: impressive letters of recommendation, involvement in volunteer community service, broad extracurricular activities, leadership, honors and awards in sports, music, and drama.

Valley of Hartford Scholarships are awarded to those students who were not awarded an Abbott Scholarship, or any high school graduate who will be entering an accredited College or University for the first time. Provided they meet all the requirement had they been eligible an Abbott Scholarship. This past year, the Valley of Hartford awarded 19 scholarships to those who applied, in addition to the 3 Abbott Scholarships winners from the Valley of Hartford. The number of Abbott Scholarships awarded by the Supreme Council is based on the income received through the Annual Blue Envelope Appeal from the Supreme Council. In addition to funding the scholarship program, it also supports our Dyslexia Learning Centers and the Scottish Rite American Heritage Museum in Lexington.

If you have any questions, please contact the Valley Secretary at 860-666-0712 or via email at sect@snet.net.

2013 Annual Worker's Night Dinner

The Valley of Hartford Workers Night Dinner and Installation of Officers for the year 2013-2014 will take place on Thursday, May 9, 2013. At the beautiful Wethersfield Country Club, 76 Country Club Road, Wethersfield. This event is by invitation only.

To be eligible to receive an invitation, the following conditions apply:

- A Brother must be current with his dues, having paid his 2013 dues by April 1, 2013.

  – AND --

- Has been elected or appointed as an Officer in the Lodge, Council, Chapter or Consistory for 2012-2013 and has been active in that body. **-- OR --**
- Has taken an active part in a degree during the calendar year 2012 as an on-stage cast member, a backstage or tech support staff member, or as a specially invited guest performer, performing special service to the Valley of Hartford. **-- OR --**
- Has been elected or appointed as an Officer in the Lodge, Council, Chapter or Consistory for 2013-2014 and must attend to be installed.

Valley of Hartford's Newest Sublime Princes. The Fall 2012 Class Honoring Bro. Daniel George, MSA

The Valley of Hartford would like to extend a congratulations to these Brothers whom have completed their core Degrees and now stand amongst you as Sublime Princes. Well done Brothers!

Brother	Home Town	Blue Lodge
Brian J. Beck	Enfield, CT	Columbia Lodge #25
Paul D. Catanzaro	New Britain, CT	Unity Lodge #148
Sean Cavanaugh	Clinton, CT	Jeptha Lodge #95
Keith P. Clinton	Wallingford, CT	Meridian Lodge #77
Shawn C. Coulter	New Britain, CT	Unity Lodge #148
John Dezzutti	Lakeside, CT	St. Paul's Lodge #11
David C. Lockard	Glastonbury, CT	Columbia Lodge #25
Ulises Jose Toledano	East Hartford, CT	Columbia Lodge #25
Thomas S. Zalonski	Middletown, CT	St. John's Lodge #2

Valley Help Wanted

My Brothers, the Valley of Hartford is currently looking for help performing several duties about the Valley. At this time the Valley is looking for **Assistant Secretaries** and **Assistant Treasurers**. These Brothers will assist the current staff in the everyday functions of the Valley. Making sure that all reports and filings are done on time as well as making sure the Valley's bills are paid. These positions require a few hours a week commitment primarily during the morning or early afternoon hours.

The lighting and sound team are once again looking for help with running the booth during Degrees. Those with technical backgrounds or a strong desire to learn are encouraged to come help out.

As always, there are acting parts, both large and small in all our Degree Portrayals this year. Put your excellent ritual to good use!

If at all interested in helping out with any of the above please contact the Valley Secretary.

Valley of Hartford Family Life Program News

Jeff Flynn 33°, Family Life Chairman

You're Family Life Chairman, Ill. Jeffery A. Flynn, 33^0, and his Committee, have been working hard on putting together an outstanding array of programs for 200th Anniversary year of the Scottish Rite, NMJ. The Family Life events that have been confirmed as of now are:

Saturday, May 11, 2013	Friesians of Majesty Bus Trip. See flier next page.
July Date to be announced.	Our Annual Rock Cats Baseball Game & Picnic.
Saturday, July 22, 2013	5th Annual 5K Race/Walk to Benefit Children with Dyslexia. **Please find the Sponsorship and Registration forms on pages 15 and 16.**
Saturday, October 12, 2013	The "Turkey Train", Winnipesaukee Railroad Bus Trip during the Fall Foliage Season. Watch future Issues of the View for more details.

Other events that are in the works: Goodspeed Opera House Shows, UCONN sporting Events, and a Boar's Head Feast at the Williams Inn during the Holiday Season. These are just a few of the events that the Committee is working on.

It is never too early to find Sponsors or offer to volunteer for the Annual Road Race, please contact Jeff Flynn at jedge60@yahoo.com for further details.

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Valley of Hartford, A.A.S.R.
Friesians of Majesty Trip – Registration Form
Saturday, May 11, 2013

Valley of Hartford Member: _____

Tel: ( ) _____ E-mail Address: _____

Number in party: ___ @ $67.0/person Amount enclosed: _____

Meal Choices: ____ Roast Turkey ____ Roast Sirloin of Beef
____ Baked Atlantic Haddock ____ Grilled Vegetable Lasagna

Names in party: _____ _____

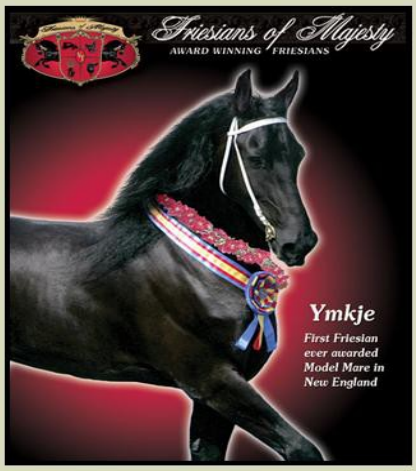
_____ _____

Make Checks Payable to: **Friendship Tours**
Mail to: **Friendship Tours** 533 Cottage Grove Road, Bloomfield, CT 06002

Deadline date is APRIL 30, 2013.

Reservations accepted on a first come first served basis. Once bus is full, names will be put on a waiting list, and if there is enough interest every effort will be made to obtain a 2nd bus provided Chandler's Restaurant and the Friesians can accommodate us.

The Valley of Hartford A.A.S.R presents the:



Friesians of Majesty

- **Visit a Gorgeous Horse Farm in Vermont**
- **Arena Musical Dance Performance by the Elegant Friesians**
- **Lunch at Chandler's Restaurant at Yankee Candle**

Saturday, May 11, 2013

- **The Friesians of Majesty in Townshend, Vermont is the only Friesian farm in North America devoted exclusively to a majestic breed of jet-black horses from the Netherlands.**
- **Tour the European style stables and meet these gentle and friendly horses. Enjoy a choreographed Musical Show performed in an impressive arena. Enjoy a relaxing carriage ride as two of these magnificent horses escort you in a manner reminiscent of times long past.**
- **Enjoy a classic New England lunch at award winning Chandler's Tavern, located at Yankee Candle in Deerfield, Massachusetts.**
- **Menu: warm rolls, New England Clam Chowder, *choice of*: Roast Turkey Dinner, Roast Sirloin of Beef with shallots or port, Baked Atlantic Haddock or Grilled Vegetable Lasagna, Warm Apple Crisp for Dessert.**

- **Time before lunch to shop at Yankee Candle.**
- **A tour director will be with you all day and all gratuities are included.**

- **Departs: 10:00am, Scottish Rite, Deming Rd., Newington**
- **Return ETA: 6:30pm, Newington**

COST: $67.per person based on 40-52

For Information or reservations please contact:

Friendship Tours 860-243-1630

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THE SHIP SHOP
533 Cottage Grove Rd, Bloomfield, CT 06002
860-243-1630 • 860-243-1630

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Valley of Hartford's Fall 2012 Class Honoring Bro. Daniel George, MSA

Congratulations! Pictured are: Paul D. Catanzaro, Sean Cavanaugh, Keith P. Clinton, Shawn C. Coulter, John Dezzutti, David C. Lockard, Ulises Jose Toledano and Thomas S. Zalonski.

Valley of Hartford Consistory Day
November 17, 2012

The day begins with Commander-in-Chief Bud Buckner welcoming our Illustrious Brothers of the 33º.

And after a morning of great Degrees ends with a packed house for fantastic luncheon.

More photos on page 17.

Valley of Hartford Featured Articles

AJ Jenuska III, 32° Editor

Friend to Friend, Brother to Brother.

You may have well recognized the center photo on the cover. The photo is that of the "Friend to Friend Masonic Memorial" at Gettysburg. The monument was dedicated August 21st, 1993 by the Grand Lodge of Penbsylvania. Depicted in this sculpture is Union Captain Henry Bingham, a Mason and staff assistant to General Hancock, himself wounded, rendering aid to the fallen Confederate General. Armistead is shown handing his watch and personal effects to be taken to his friend, Union General Hancock. Union General Winfield Scott Hancock and Confederate General Lewis Addison Armistead were personal friends and members of the Masonic Fraternity.

Although they had served and fought side by side in the United States army prior to the Civil War, Armistead refused to raise his sword against his fellow Southerners and joined the Confederate Army in 1861. Both Hancock and Armistead fought heroically in the previous twenty-seven months of the war. They were destined to meet at Gettysburg. During Pickett's Charge, Armistead led his men gallantly, penetrating Hancock's line. Ironically, when Armistead was mortally wounded, Hancock was also wounded.

Hancock survived the war and died in 1886. Armistead died at Gettysburg July 5, 1863. Captain Bingham attained the rank of General and later served 32 years in the United States House of Representatives. He was known as the "Father of the House."

The monument was presented by the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania and dedicated as a memorial to the Freemasons of the Union and the Confederacy. Their unique bonds of friendship enabled them to remain a brotherhood undivided, even as they fought in a divided nation, faithfully supporting thee respective governments under which they fought.(1)

At a time when our Country finds itself on the edge of uncertainty, when the very basics of food and shelter become an everyday concern for so many. A time when our politics have this Nation split so far apart and agreement within government seems a distant dream. It is in these trying times that give rise to the greatest moments of simple compassion, dignity and Brotherly Love. The need for Brotherhood so great. For our 200th Year Celebration I could not think of a better way to begin then reminding ourselves that we are all still Brothers.

This year we renew our Fraternal Bonds between us. Let us also renew our commitment to our fellow man. Let us honor all those Brothers that came before and left mark upon mark upon the Tree of Brotherly Love and showed us what Freemasonry was all about. This is our year, to write our own moment, to show the Nation and the World that the ideals of Freemasonry and the Scottish Rite stand for more then just ritual and philanthropy. Let them see though our actions that Brotherly Love will win the day, every day. Let us be those men, as the events of this monument depict, who despite disagreements of extreme measure, embraced each other and called themselves Brothers.

(1) Source: Plaque at the Friend to Friend Masonic Memorial at Gettysburg.

Scottish Rite dedicates $2million to relief of Brothers affected by Hurricane Sandy

John William McNaughton, Sovereign Grand Commander announced that the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction that,

"*…the Supreme Council's Almoner's Fund made a commitment to our Brethren in both New Jersey and New York. To each of those jurisdictions, we pledged $1,000,000 for the purpose of assisting in their efforts to start the rebuilding process."*

This news is a real boost to efforts to help Masons in need in these areas. Our fraternity was on the ground in both states shortly after the super-storm hit, working alongside Masonic Lodges that were organizing food and clothing to those whose homes were destroyed. In the first few days of the disaster, the Scottish Rite distributed more that $200,000 in debit cards to Brothers – financial relief at a time when many banks were closed and ATM machines were empty.

Ill. Brother David A. Glattly, Deputy for New Jersey, has been spearheading the effort in the Garden State. He has visited and directly helped many of his fellow Masons. For men whose home has been ravaged this can me quite emotional. Brother Glattly describes the experience:

"The response by our Masonic Brothers is heartwarming when we offer them financial assistance. It is difficult for a Mason, familiar with giving charity, to instead accept it. We have often shared tears and hugs with our Brothers. These are special moments."

While the storm occurred October 28, the work to rebuild continues. If you want to help, you can donate to the Scottish Rite Benevolent Foundation Almoners Fund by going to http://www.scottishritenmj.org/ and access "Donate Now" under Almoner's Fund.

Ill. David A. Glattly provides a Brother hit by Hurricane Sandy much needed financial support.

Outside Durand Lodge in Point Pleasant, NJ. Masons are hard at work helping hurricane victims.

The new Scottish Rite NMJ Shop is now online.

Check out the store at the North Masonic Jurisdiction website: **http://www.scottishritenmj.org/.** You'll find the link on the bottom of the "Quick Links" box on the left-hand side of the page. Now that the store is up and running the number of available products will grow, so keep checking back. Besides being able to purchase the 200th Anniversary Jewel you may also purchase 200th Anniversary Christmas Ornaments, great for next years tree!

"We will strive to be a fraternity that fulfills our Masonic obligations to care for our members"
A.A.S.R., N.M.J., U.S.A.
Celebrating 200 years, 1813-2013.

SPONSORSHIP FORM

SCOTTISH RITE FREEMASONS

5K RUN / WALK

To Benefit Children With Dyslexia

Saturday, July 27, 2013

9:00 AM • 207 Deming St., Newington, CT

Your tax deductible donation to the Children's Dyslexia Center-CT helps kids with Dyslexia overcome this disability at no cost to their families.

Tear Here and Return Bottom Portion

Level of Sponsorship

☐ **Platinum ($3,000)** (Limited Exclusively to One Sponsor)

☐ **Bronze ($300)** ☐ **Silver ($600)** ☐ **Gold ($1,000)**

☐ **Other _____**

Name of Institution_____

Contact Person_____

Address_____

City_____ **State**_____ **Zip**_____

Phone_____ **Email**_____

Please make Checks Payable to Children's Dyslexia Center-CT.
All Sponsorship Donations must be received by April 30, 2013 along with company logo.
Sponsorship Donations received earlier will get priority ranking within their level.
Please mail to Children's Dyslexia Center-CT, P.O. Box 310198, Newington, CT 06131-0198
Personal Donations also gratefully accepted.

All Bronze, Silver and Gold Sponsorships include the following:
• Name/Logo on T-Shirt
• Name/Logo on Fliers
• Name/Logo on Weekly Advertising

Any questions, Please Call Jeff Flynn, Family Life Chairman, at 860-304-6348
or email ***jedge60@yahoo.com***

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REGISTRATION FORM

SCOTTISH RITE FREEMASONS

5K RUN / WALK

To Benefit Children With Dyslexia

Saturday, July 27, 2013

9:00 AM • 207 Deming St., Newington, CT

Your tax deductible donation to the Children's Dyslexia Center-CT
Helps kids with Dyslexia overcome this disability at no cost to their families.

BibTAG Chronotrack Timing, Platt System / USATF Certified #CT10014JHP

Online Registration At www.active.com

Registration Starts at 7:30 AM

T-Shirts For The First 200 Pre-Registrations. Trophies for the 1st & 2nd Place Runners will be given out in each division plus overall Male and Female trophies.

DJ Music Provided Before and After Race

Pre-Register by 7/20 $15 - Day of Race $20

A full gamut of ups and downs on moderate to challenging hills on a scenic route with plenty of water stations. Course is mile marked: **Start** in Parking Lot at 207 Deming St. Right out of Parking Lot onto Deming St., Left on Candlewyck, Left on Lamp Lighter Lane, Right on Stage Coach Lane to Little Brook Drive, Right on Trout Brook Cir. and loop back onto Little Brook, Right on Little Brook which turns into Culver St. Right on Apple Hill, Right on Courtland Way, Right on Culver St., Right on Deming St., Left at 207 Deming St. (FINISH)

☐ **5K Run** ***Please Check 1*** ☐ **5K Walk**

Last Name_____

First Name_____

Street_____

City_____

State____ **Zip**_____ **Age:**_____ **Male** ☐ **Female** ☐

Phone_____ **Email**_____

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14-19
20-29
30-39
40-49
50-59
60-69
70-79
80+

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★ PARKING ★

Parking Is ONLY Available at LA-Z-BOY Furniture Galleries, 3050 Berlin Turnpike, Newington. A 1-Minute Walk, Follow Signs. Enter By Way of the Sphinx Shriners. Parking is at your own risk.

Any questions, Please Call Jeff Flynn, Family Life Chairman, at 860-304-6348
or email ***jedge60@yahoo.com***

In consideration of your acceptance of this entry, I, the undersigned entrant, intending to be legally bound hereby for myself, my heirs, my executors and administrators, waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against race organizers, host town, sponsors, supporters, or any of their agents, successors or assigns for any and all accidents, illnesses or injuries suffered or sustained by me either during or as a result of the race, I attest and verify that I am sufficiently in good physical health to participate in the event; that I am sufficiently trained for this event and its completion; and that my physical health has been verified by a licensed medical doctor.

_____ _____

Runner's Signature (Parent or Guardian must sign if Runner is under 18) Date

NOTE: Parent/Guardian (NAME: _____) agrees to accompany any entrant under 15 years of age to said event

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Sovereign Prince Melvin E. Johnson explains the allegory of an upcoming Degree as one of our Brothers decides it is time for a cat nap. Way to captivate the audience Mel!

Members of Nathan Hale Consistory line up for a group photo as the usually not so shy Frank Dlugoleski plays peek-a-boo with the cameraman... very cute Frank.

Cast members prepare for their parts in the upcoming portrayal of the 32nd Degree. Who IS that Brother on the left without a mustache!?!

Dinner Reservation Forms

Make checks payable to: **Valley of Hartford**
Mail to: **Valley of Hartford, P.O. Box 3190198, Newington, CT 06131-0198**

2013 Spring Degree Nights Dinner Reservations

All You Can Eat Buffet, Starting at 6:10pm in the Sphinx Shrine Dinning Room

Price of Buffet …….....$ **12.00** per person.
Price for Both Nights …….....$ **20.00** per person.
Advanced Reservations required by **NO LATER THAN** 12 Noon on the Monday prior to each degree night.

Name: _____ **Amount Enclosed: _____**

E-Mail Address: _____ **Phone: ( ) _____**

( ) Thursday, February 21st, prior to the Portrayal of the 4^0 & 14^0 Degrees.

( ) Thursday, March 7th, prior to the portrayal of the 10^0 and 16^0 Degrees.

( ) Special: Both Meals

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A ROSE CROIX PORTRAYAL DAY

17th and 18th Degree: Saturday, March 23, 2013

Luncheon Registration Form

Advanced Reservations required by **NO LATER THAN Tuesday, March 19, 2013**
Price of Luncheon …….....$ **12.00** per person.
Price of Luncheon without Advanced Payment ….....$ **15.00** per person.

Name: _____ **Amount Enclosed: _____**

E-Mail Address: _____ **Phone: ( ) _____**

Meal Choice: ( ) Sirloin of Beef ( ) Chicken Marsala
Free drink ticket supplied with meal.
Meal includes: Salad, Pasta, Potato, Vegetable, Coffee or Tea, and Desert

Limited number of walk-in allowed at a cost of $ **20.00** per person.

Help Keep Our Membership Records Up-To-Date

We need your assistance to keep our membership records up to date. Please notify the Valley Secretary of any address, email address or phone number changes. If you know of the passing of a Scottish Rite brother, please pass that information along to the Secretary as well. (This can also be done on-line by clicking on "Contact Us" in the navigation bar at www.valleyofhartford.org).

Personal Info Change (please print):

Name:_____

Old Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

New Address:_____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: ( ) _____ Email: _____

Passing of a Brother: (please print):

Name:_____ Date of death: _____

Address:_____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Please Mail To: Valley of Hartford, PO Box 310198, Newington, CT 06131-0198

A Final Word from the Editor.....

Brethren, Family and Friends....

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a great time over the Holidays and was able to enjoy some times with Friends and Family and with your Brethren. I was able to spend time at various celebrations and this past month and each one was a blast. I can honestly say, that when Masons gather they bring about a unique atmosphere that always brings smiles of happiness and joy to those around them.

2013 is our 200th Anniversary here at the Scottish Rite. A time of renew and a time of change. Speaking of change I'm sure you've all noticed the cover. A special thanks to Shawn Coulter for putting the time and effort into it. We plan on revamping the whole newsletter and this is just a start. We are always looking for feedback so feel free to email or yell comments.

Being that it's our 200th Anniversary I am proposing a contest of sorts. Our next issue will be dedicated to our celebration. With that in mind I want to publish the top two submissions by Brothers who can best sum up what the Scottish Rite means for them. We are looking for "real" instance of the Scottish Rite in action. Maybe a particular Degree helped you through a tough situation. Maybe a good Brother helped you meet your wife. Or someone that truly inspired you. We want to hear it! The deadline is March 10th and submission can be emailed to ajjenuska@gmail.com or mailed to the office and Dave will get them to us.

I don't think I could end this issue without mention of the Tragedy at Sandy Hook. And I will keep it at that, a mention. Words can never come close to describing the events of that day. The out-pouring of compassion and kindness that followed can at least inspire us to be thankful for every moment we have on this sometimes crazy world. We must keep ourselves vigilant and just against the forces of evil. All with the hope that comes with our Trust in God. May the Supreme Architect bless you all. Till next we meet Brethren.

AJ Jenuska III 32° **Editor**

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Or
Play a Knight in the distant past with a red feather on your helmet?

If you do we have the Job for you!
Join the Valley of Hartford Production Team.
We make Degrees come alive! Be a part of history!
Email the Secretary for details today!