

PROCEEDINGS

of the

VERMONT COUNCIL of DELIBERATION



ANCIENT ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE OF
FREEMASONRY

June 14, 2008

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

2008

To Active, Emeritus and Honorary Members of the Supreme Council accredited to the State of Vermont; Past First and Past Second Lieutenant Commanders of the Council of Deliberation; Past Commanders-in-Chief of Consistory; Past Most Wise Masters of Chapters of Rose Croix; Past Sovereign Princes of Councils of Princes of Jerusalem; Past Thrice Potent Masters of Lodges of Perfection; those members of Subordinate Bodies in the State who have received the Meritorious Service Award from the Council of Deliberation of Vermont, the first three elected officers together with such other officers as are duly elected by a Subordinate Body and designated to be a member of the Council of Deliberation; Treasurer and Secretary of Subordinate Bodies; all of the above shall constitute the Vermont Council of Deliberation of which the Deputy for the State of Vermont shall be ex-officio Illustrious Commander-in-Chief.

The One Hundred Thirty-Fourth Annual Assembly of the Vermont Council of Deliberation will be held at the Montpelier Masonic Center, 288 Gallison Hill Road, Montpelier, Vermont on Saturday, June 14, 2008, beginning at 10:00 A.M.

The heads of the several bodies of the Rite will cause their subordinate officers to be duly notified to be present in person or by proxy, as provided by Articles 200 (1986), 201 and 202 of the Constitutions of the Supreme Council of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite for the Northern Jurisdiction of the United States of America.

Dated at Burlington, Vermont, May 10, 2008

Courteously and fraternally,

Robert A. Powlus, 33°
Ill . Secretary

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
VERMONT
COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY



AT THE MONTPELIER MASONIC CENTER
MONTPELIER, VERMONT

SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 2008

SCOTTISH RITE CALENDAR

The Scottish Rite Calendar dates from the Year of the World, "Anno Mundi." A.M. 55, which is considered the year of origin and fixes a starting point at 3760 B.C. in the generally accepted calendar.

3760 plus 2008 A.D. is 5768 A.M.



Ill. John W. McNaughton, 33^o
Sovereign Grand Commander



Ill. Frederick E. Jackson, 33°
Deputy for Vermont



Ill. Eric Ginette, 33°
Active for Vermont



Ill. Richard E. Hildebrand, 33°
Active Emeritus for Vermont



Ill. Peter G. Huntsman, 33°
Active Emeritus for Vermont

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2007 – 2008
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Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry
for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of
The United States of America

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Secretary	Ill. Robert A. Powlus, 33°
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Guard	Ill. Palmer E. Martin, 33°
Sentinel	Bro. Ronald Green, MSA

PART I

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL
MEETING

OF THE

VERMONT COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION

HELD AT

MONTPELIER, VERMONT, JUNE 14, 2008

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The One Hundred Thirty-Fourth Annual Assembly of the Vermont Council of Deliberation was convened, according to notice duly issued, at the Montpelier Masonic Center, Montpelier, Vermont on Saturday, June 14, 2008, at 10:00 A.M. for the transaction of business concerning the general welfare of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite in the State of Vermont. The Council of Deliberation was opened by Ill . Frederick E. Jackson, 33°, Deputy for Vermont and Commander of the Vermont Council of Deliberation. The Commander requested Johan Nortz lead the Council in prayer. The Commander then directed the Master of Ceremonies to parade the flag of our country before the Altar and then invited all present to join with him in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States after which the National Anthem was sung by all present.

The Commander welcomed all in attendance, and then introduced and received the following visiting Masonic dignitaries:

Ill. John W. McNaughton, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander

Calvin K. Keyler, 33°, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons of Vermont

Companion David H. Bartlett, Excellent Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Vermont

Companion Russell J. Slora, Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Vermont

Sir Knight Donald C. Murray, Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Vermont

Joan O. Black, Worthy Grand Matron, Order of Eastern Star State of Vermont

Donald I. Chamberlin, Worthy Grand Patron, Order of Eastern Star of Vermont

Dale F. Pushee, Executive Officer, DeMolay of Vermont

The Commander then called on the Secretary for the roll call of officers.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

The roll of officers was called and it was determined that a quorum was present. Ill. Frederick P. Swanson, 33°, Minister of State; Bro. Charles H. Shadel, Chancellor; Ill. Robert A. Lemnah, 33°, Treasurer; and Bro. A. Stephen Farrington, Guard, were not in attendance.

MINUTES OF PRECEDING ANNUAL SESSION

It was moved by the secretary, seconded and approved that the minutes of the One Hundred and Thirty-Third Annual Assembly be accepted as printed and distributed in the Annual Proceedings.

ALLOCUTION OF THE COMMANDER – IN – CHIEF

Ill.: Frederick E. Jackson, 33°

To the Vermont Council of Deliberation now in session:

To the officers and members of the Vermont Council of Deliberation, Distinguished Guests, Brother Masons, and all,

Good morning Brethren and guests. I have today the sincere pleasure and special privilege of welcoming each of you to this, our one hundred and thirty fourth Annual Assembly of the Vermont Council of Deliberation, held this fourteenth day of June in the city of Montpelier Vermont.

It is indeed a special day for us as we are honored by the presence of Ill.: John William McNaughton, 33°, our Sovereign Grand Commander and his lady Judy, and Ill.: Calvin K Kyler, 33° and his lady Joanne, who will join us for lunch. Please extend a hearty Vermont welcome to these distinguished Masons. We are also honored to have with us Ill.: Peter G. Huntsman, 33° and Ill.: Richard E. Hildebrand, 33°, Active Emeriti members of Supreme Council, who have made the effort to join us today. We thank them for their past and present service to our Fraternity and are pleased to acknowledge their continued support.

NECROLOGY

I will now call upon Ill.: Bro. Charles C. Luciano, 33°, Chairperson of the Necrology Committee who will present the Necrology Report for the year ending April 30th, 2008.

SUPREME COUNCIL

The 195th Annual Meeting of the Supreme Council, 33°, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, U.S.A., was held in Washington DC, jointly with the Southern Jurisdiction, on August 23 – 28, 2007 with Sovereign Grand Commander,

Ill.: John William McNaughton, 33°, presiding. This being the first time ever that the two Jurisdictions meet jointly everything went off without a hitch. Our hosts really laid out the red carpet for us. For me the highlight of the week was witnessing the conferral of the Southern Jurisdiction 33°, visiting The House of The Temple and the Gala Banquet. I mention the banquet for two reasons; 3500 people served a four course meal in one hour and five minutes and keynote speaker, John H. Glenn, Jr., 33°, former Astronaut and Senator from Ohio address. The assistant banquet manager informed me it was the largest group they had ever served at one time.

As you have just heard from the Necrology report, our Supreme Council has experienced one passing during the year. Ill. Donald F. Culton, 33° Active Emeritus Member for the state of Rhode Island.

At last years meeting, Ill. Verdon Skipper, 33°, an active Member for New Jersey requested early retirement and was granted Active Emeritus status.

There were four new officers for Supreme Council elected at the Annual Meeting. Ill. Robert F. Ogg Jr., 33° is the new Deputy for Rhode Island, Ill. Michael A. DeWolf, 33°, of Wisconsin became Grand Keeper of the Archives; Ill. Robert E. Godbout Jr., 33° of Massachusetts, Grand Master General of Ceremonies, and Ill. David P. Spencer, 33°, of New York the Grand Standard Bearer.

Five new Active Members were elected to the governing board of the Supreme Council. Ill. M. Ray Bickford, 33°, of Bangor ME, Ill. Jeffrey W. Coy, 33°, of Shippensburg, PA, Ill. David R. Bedwell, 33°, of Superior Township MI, Ill. C. Keith Hoskins, 33°, of Angola, IN, Ill. William R. Powers Jr., 33° of Cincinnati, OH.

At this session we were pleased to see four of our very worthy Brothers among the class of 174, Ill.: Donald G. Duquette, Ill.: Calvin K. Keyler, Ill.: Michael A. Lunn and Ill.: Winfred G. Pike coronated a 33° Mason making them Honorary Members of Supreme Council and full members of this Council. We congratulate these brothers for their outstanding service and contribution to the Fraternity, and to Scottish Rite in particular. I also thank those who were able to attend and share this special experience with our honorees.

A total of 104, 32° Masons were elected to receive the 33° in Providence RI. this August. We are very pleased to have Brother Ronald J. Place in the class.

32° MASONIC LEARNING CENTER FOR CHILDREN

Our Center continues to be a visible asset to Vermont masonry. We are indebted to our Center director, Carlene Badeau, and the Board of Governors who give their time and talent in seeing that the center stays within the Supreme Council's guide lines. Our funding, as in previous years, continues to be the lowest contributor to the Learning Center endowment fund, the Sponsor a Child program and to the Builders

Council. We have total contribution so far in 2008 of \$10278. Our approved budget is \$105,048. Vermont has contributed \$5000 this year to the Support a child program. I do want to thank the Order of Eastern Star for their continued support.

I will now call upon. ILL. Mike Lunn, Chairman of the Board of Governors, for his report on the Learning Center.

Valley of Montpelier

This Valley's Membership Committee has been hard at work this year and the results has been rewarding. They have had twenty plus candidates at every degree presentation. This along with some excellent degree work and meals has shown a steady increase in attendance.

Their officers are active, reports are timely and they do an excellent job of promoting Scottish Rite in the area. I congratulate them on their achievements and could not ask for more. Keep up the good work.

Valley of Burlington

The Valley of Burlington continues to struggle due to lack of dedicated leadership. A large number of the line officers are not attending Administrative Council meetings. Consequently organizing, planning and administration are left to a dedicated few. The Council has also made some changes in key positions with positive results. The membership and membership retention committees have been active with varying results. Degree presentations have improved during the year. The Valley continues to hold monthly activities with a varying amount of support from its membership. Upon review of the Valley by laws it was determined that they were not in compliance with the Supreme Council Constitution. The Chairman of the Administrative Council appointed a committee to review the discrepancies, and at my request, include recommendation for a new organizational structure. The committee's recommendations having been warned and approved for adoption I look forward to a more efficient operation within the Valley and throughout the State. I do commend those Valley officers and members for their efforts through the year and encourage them to continue with the new organization.

Valley of Rutland

We have to be impressed with the continued progress in this Valley. The recruitment of candidates, expansion of degree work and general administration responsibilities has significantly improved during the year. Most meetings are now opened in ritualistic form preceded by a meal resulting in improved attendance. Their attempt to exemplify new degrees and involve new members has resulted in some nice work. The new secretary has been a key figure in keeping reports, records, plans, schedules and other administrative duties updated and in order.

There are some really dedicated members that are determined to see the Valley succeed. I am confident that with the present slate of officers this Valley will continue to grow and prosper.

Valley of Brattleboro

This Valley has shown no signs of turning itself around during the year. Only a minimal number of meetings were held due to calculations for various reasons, weather, conflicts, quorum, etc. The Annual meeting held in April consisted of only five members, all officers. They have not had a candidate in three years which resulted in no degrees or activities. Some of the problem lies with personalities within the Valley that

also exist in other Masonic Bodies in the area. There is no active committee structure in place to address membership and activities. They are in desperate financial condition with no plan for recovery and have asked the building association to reduce their rent. They were able to do that last year but with the rising cost of building operation I am not sure that will suffice. Due to lack of officers, we have requested that the Valley concentrate on Lodge degrees and membership recruitment, specifically staffing the 4°. With help from Rutland it should be doable. I applaud those few Brothers who are trying to keep this a violable Valley. However we are approaching a time when action will need to be taken.

VERMONT - 32° MASONRY

The Valley's of Burlington and Montpelier continue to present some of the best degree work in the State. They are both on a plan to present all the degrees within a six year period. It is also pleasing to see Rutland expanding their degrees after a long absence. I am pleased that our Valley's are now doing formal opening / closing ceremonies as was requested. This makes for a much more impressive event.

In order that candidates have an opportunity to experience as many degrees as possible, the Valley's are coordinating their schedules. With the current upsurge in the number of candidates seeking admission, it is imperative that we accommodate their schedules. To do this will require more frequent degree presentations. It is my hope that the 4th degree be exemplified three times per year in different regions of our State. That each Valley conduct degree work every other month with the exception of July and August. I realize this is an ambitious program but if we are to grow the Rite we need to step up to the task.

I was pleased that Consistory is continuing their exchange visitations with Sigma Consistory and in hopes to renew with Montreal. I have spoken with the Deputy for Quebec and he is in favor of continuing the relationship. Moving the Consistory around the state will give each Valley the opportunity to host the session and spur attendance. It was pleasing to see 38 new Sublime Princes of The Royal Secret initiated at our reunion. This was double the class of last year. Keep up the good work and double that next year. Not only did we have a good class the side lines were full of Brothers. There were people on the sidelines that I hadn't seen in some time.

ILL.: Brother Eric Ginette put together a wonderful membership recruiting program to be used by our entire membership. He has held training sessions in Montpelier and Rutland and is willing to go throughout the State in support of the membership committees. This year's class is a testimony that the program is effective and I urge everyone to use it. Brethren, the opportunity is there, we are still seeing resurgence in Blue Lodge activity, let us take advantage of it.

The Council of Deliberation again presented a certificate for membership into Scottish Rite to the Grand Lodge "Young Master Mason of the Year". This year's recipient is Brother Sean Selby of Island Pond #44. Scottish Rite congratulates this fine outstanding mason. Upon presentation of this certificate to a Valley Secretary his initiation fees to join the Valley will be paid in full or if he is already a member it will cover an equivalent number of years dues payment.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Each Valley has updated their Strategic plan and asked to pick at least two items to concentrate their efforts on.. This plan should provide for the future as well as the present. I charge each Valley Administrative Council to implement their plan and report to the Deputy on a quarterly basis. Brethren, there is much more to planning than planning degree presentations and rehearsals. I expect every officer to have a copy of their Valley plan. It is imperative that the first objective of the plan must be Membership and Retention.

FAMILY LIFE PROGRAMS

Most Valleys' have held Family Life events. I have attended many of these and always look forward to the fellowship and camaraderie which they bring. If Masonry is going to grow, I challenge the membership to pitch in and support this effort. It is an excellent opportunity to introduce non members to our fellowship. As we are a small state let us support each other, renewing old acquaintances, as well as making new ones.

ABBOTT SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS

Vermont's share of the Abbott Scholarship grants for 200 was \$3500. It will be my pleasure to introduce some of these recipients at our luncheon that follows. These scholarships are made available mainly through our support of the Blue Envelop appeal and the invested funds at Supreme Council. I will now call upon ILL.: Brother Roland J. Smith, 33° for the committee report.

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARDS

I will now call upon ILL.: Brother Earl Washburn, 33° who will give the Meritorious Service Awards Report for 2008.

SCOTTISH RITE WEB SITE

I want to thank ILL.: Brothers Rayfield and Steele for their efforts in getting this site up and enhanced. It is something that Vermont Scottish Rite can be proud off. You all need to know the web addresses: www.scottishritevt.org and please refer to it often for updated information. I have requested that each Valley have a communications person for two purposes. First, to keep the Valley activities and news items current on the web. Second, to get correspondence and news items into their local news papers.

CONCLUSIONS

For the first time ever a mid winter Council of Deliberation meeting was held for the purpose of getting the committees operational. I feel we accomplished the mission with a goodly number of members present and contributing to their committees. Many ideas reviewed and adopted for the betterment of the organization. I would recommend the continuance of this meeting with the possibility of choosing a week night instead of taking away family on a Saturday.

I thank ILL.: Brother Eric and Lisa Ginette for their help and support this past year making arrangements, putting together presentations and visiting Valley's around the state. Thanks are also in order for all Brothers' who have taken leadership and support rolls in our Valley's. It is your dedication that is vital to the success of the organization. We have two wonderful programs that have been put together in support of your efforts. The officer training program is now mandatory for all officers. The membership recruiting program we now works, I urge everyone to familiarize themselves and put it to work. We have had some outstanding Family Life programs; we held a successful walkathon in conjunction with the entire NMJ, earning \$2367 for our Learning Center, requiring the work of several brothers. I am asking that each Valley continue this effort. Ritual presentation has improved but we are not quite there yet. This is the area that is our best recruiting tool. We need to strive to put on the most impressive degrees that we are capable of performing. And most of all lets have FUN doing Scottish Rite activities.

I thank each of you for your attendance this morning and at our events this past year.

Fraternally submitted,

Frederick E. Jackson, 33°
Commander-in-Chief

REMARKS OF GRAND MASTER CALVIN K. KEYLER

Good morning my brothers, Good morning Commander in Chief. It is a pleasure to be back here with you again and to tell you we appreciate so much of your participating in Freemasonry. This last week we concluded our Grand Lodge communications and it was a great success because so many people did a great job as a team and I see in this room many people who participated in assisting us in being a success, including brother Fred who is our Chairman of Arrangements. As most of you know, Fred has tried to step down, but we just won't let him do it, because he's so good at it. It's these kind of details that make a meeting like that really come to life. Doug Hildebrand over here, is our man on recording and set up and everything else. Wherever you look there are brothers in this room, who did their job and made the Grand Master look good. I appreciate you asking my predecessor, my junior Past Grand Master Jack Campbell to introduce me this morning. It is always nice. I just like to call him Junior Past Grand Master, because he always makes me call him Senior. Earlier I alluded to the fact that we are striving to be a family of Freemasons here. It is not something new. We have always been a family, but we really haven't worked together as a group and I think we are headed toward that direction and it is probably so because at the corner of all the groups is Freemason are heading into some pretty successful times right now. Due to some of Jack's leadership and the reorganization of our committees, we are servicing lodges much more than we used to, and we are starting to get a lot of young new enthusiastic candidates which is always nice to hear and eventually these brothers will be available to join your organization. One of the things that I've always been impressed with about the Scottish Rite, and this is not just Vermont, but nationally, is the way they have maintained their presence as Freemasons. They have supported Masonry in a big way by offering assistance and help to grand lodges across the country in terms of public relations, programs, membership programs and other support things that they have done. Just last year at the massive meeting in Washington D.C., between the Southern and Northern Jurisdictions. It was quite Brother Jim was able to address, I believe it was, 47 Grand Masters that were in attendance there and that was one of the all time highs. I thank you all for being a part of a great organization. And I look forward to us all working together in the future. Now I don't usually come to these things without a little something for the group, so I have a check here for you, make sure it gets to the right place, its from the Grand Lodge. Thank you my brethren, we look forward to serving our craft in the future years. Thank you very much.

THE COMMANDER RECOGNIZED:

Bruce E. Pomeroy, Past Grand Master of Vermont
 John R. Campbell, Past Grand Master of Vermont
 Thomas Johnston IV, Deputy Grand Master of Vermont
 Roger L. Crouse, Grand Junior Warden of Vermont

NECROLOGY REPORT

To the Vermont Council Of Deliberation now in session:

During the last year, (5) members of Vermont Consistory including (3) honorary members of Supreme Council have been called home. Let us take a moment to ponder the memory of some of these Brothers.

*** Ill. Brother Welland C. Horn, 33°, passed on July 19, 2007. Bro. Horn was born on Feb. 6, 1915 in Forest Dale, Vermont. He graduated from Brandon, High School in 1933 and UMASS in 1937. In 1938 he married Ester McKerryher, with whom he operated a vacation resort on lake Dunmore from 1950 to 1968. In the local community, Brother Horn was a member of Grace Episcopal Church in Forest Dale serving on the church Vestry and also as Lay Leader. He was also a member and past president of the Brandon Rotary Club. Brother Horn began his Masonic life in 1938 when he was raised in St. Paul's Lodge No. 25 in Brandon Vermont. He served as Master of the Lodge from 1963-1965, was appointed D.D.G.M. for District No 3 in 1967, and was elected Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Vermont in 1979. Bro. Horn was a member of AASR, Valley of Rutland and served as head of all three Valley Bodies. He was also a member of Vermont Consistory and was coroneted a Sovereign Grand Inspector General, 33°, and honorary member of the Supreme Council on Sept. 30, 1970. He was also a member of the York Rite Bodies as well as a long time member and Past Potentate of Cairo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

***Ill. Brother Walter E. Greenleaf passed on Feb. 19, 2008. He was born on July 14, 1916 in WEST Dummerston, Vermont, graduating from a one-room school house in 1930. He married Vivian Dunn in Keokuk, Iowa in 1946, who passed away in 1985. In 1987, Bro. Greenleaf married Bernice Walker, who predeceased him in 1999. Bro. Greenleaf served in the Army Signal Corps in WWII. Later, he worked for the Dunham Shoe Co. in Brattleboro, retiring in 1980 after 33 years. Locally Bro. Greenleaf was a former trustee of the First Baptist Church of Brattleboro and also a member of Christ Church of Guilford. He was a member of the Elks as well as a past president of the Guilford Fair. Bro. Greenleaf began his Masonic career in Brattleboro Lodge, No 102 where he was raised to the sublime Degree of a Master Mason on March 19, 1957, later serving as Master of the Lodge. He was Appointed as DDGM for District No. 8 in 1975. He was a member of AASR, Valley of Brattleboro, serving as head of all three bodies. He was also a member of Vermont Consistory and received the Meritorious Service Award on June 1, 1970. He was coroneted a Sovereign Grand Inspector General, 33°, and Honorary Member of the Supreme Council on Sept. 26, 1984. Bro. Greenleaf was also am member of Cairo Temple, AAONMS.

***ILL. Brother Hugh M. Marvin, 33°, passed on March 3, 2008. He was born in Montpelier, Vermont on October 19, 1912. He graduated from Montpelier H.S. in 1930. Following Graduation Bro. Marvin ran the family farm. In 1940 he joined Green Mountain Power Corp. retiring after 37 years in 1977.

In 1951, Bro. Marvin married Louisa Albertini in the Trinity Methodist Church in Montpelier. He was very active in the local community serving in a variety of positions in South Burlington. He was also a member of the So. Burlington Kiwanis Club and a long time member of the First United Methodist Church in Burlington where he served in a number of capacities. In addition to his civic activities, Bro. Marvin enjoyed fly fishing, gardening, skiing and refinishing furniture. He was also an accomplished violinist and was an original member of the Vermont State Symphony, playing from 1936-1957. Brother Marvin began his Masonic career in Aurora Lodge in Montpelier where he was raised on March 14, 1950. Later he became a member of Washington Lodge No. 3 in Burlington where he subsequently became Master. He was also a member of the Shrine. Bro. Marvin was a member of AASR, valley of Montpelier and Vermont Consistory, serving as Secretary for the Valley of Burlington as well as the Vermont Council of Deliberation. He was coroneted a sovereign Grand Inspector General, 33°, and Honorary Member of the Supreme Council on Sept. 28, 1983.

Please rise and join in a moment of silent meditation as we reflect on the memory of all our departed Brothers.

Fraternally Submitted,

Charles A. Luciano, 33°

David E. Cumming, 33°

Joseph Jacobs, 33°

Report accepted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONDITION OF THE RITE

To the Vermont Council of Deliberation now in session:

Illustrious Deputy, Active Emeriti, and Brethren of this Council:

We stand here this morning at an important moment in the history of our Rite in Vermont. On every hand we see years of decline giving way to a new spirit of innovation and growth. While it is true that many problems remain and our advancement has not been dramatic, yet there is enough movement in a positive direction so that the outlines of a brighter future have become discernable. Let's take a look at our Valley's work in this past year.

The Valley of Burlington has gone through some historic changes this year in response to a dramatic decline in membership. Haswell Lodge of Perfection dropped from 1,254 members in 1982, the high point of growth, to about 400 members today. Most notably, the VT Consistory has been redefined as a Body of this Valley. This has considerably streamlined the Valley's management, with duplicate

Administrative Councils and financial structures eliminated. It will also give greater cohesion to the Valley, with all the Officers meeting together as one Executive Board for the first time in 23 years. Additionally, with the Consistory no longer charged with overseeing the other Vermont Valleys it will be better able to focus on building up its own activities. We saw evidence of this already when the 19th degree was performed in Montpelier in March, giving this year's candidate class a first taste of the work of this Body. Illus. Brother Jack Campbell and his committee for Valley reorganization are to be warmly commended for many hours of hard work in creating the new Valley by-laws. And I commend the Officers also, who display a renewed sense of commitment and dedication to the task of returning the Valley to better days. A new streamlined Officer structure should further lubricate the Valley's work as they launch a new year with a full schedule of degree work, family life activities, and publishing their fine newsletter. I am very optimistic about the year to come in Burlington.

The Valley of Brattleboro is our weakest Valley and did not succeed in staging a come back last year. Their choice of TPM was an unhappy one, as this Brother did not accomplish anything. As a consequence, no new members were brought in, nor was any real effort made to develop a membership committee. I asked them to cease work in their Bodies except for the Lodge of Perfection, and to focus on two goals: the creation of casts for the 4th and the 14th degrees, and to put together a viable membership committee. Realizing the feebleness of their situation, Brother Nathaniel Seeley has been chosen as TPM and given the task of realizing these goals. This Valley still has a fairly large membership, and is situated at the bottom of the Connecticut River Valley, one of the most populous areas of our State. I see no reason, given some hard work by their Officers, they cannot grow and prosper in the coming year.

The Valley of Montpelier has continued to lead the State in new growth in membership. This year for the first time in many years the over all number of members in this Valley has not declined. This is an important milestone. They have also shown continued advancement in the quality of their degree work under the able leadership of Ill. Brother "Rick" Rayfield, their Degree Director. This has translated out into packed sidelines for their meetings, with 60 or 70 Brothers being seated regularly. Their March meeting in combination with the VT Consistory had just over 100 in attendance, and was the second largest Masonic meeting of any kind in the State last year, the District meeting for District 5 alone surpassing it, to the best of my knowledge.

This Valley has been greatly aided by its influx of new members who have quickly been put to work in degree parts, as stage workers and as members of their Administrative Council. I see that over one half of their Officer line consists of young men who have been members less than three years. The resultant changes have left my head spinning as creativity is uncorked on every side. They also have a solid cadre of experienced and dedicated men. Besides Rick as I mentioned before, special notice must be given to Bob Herdling and his staging crew, Doug White as Treasurer and Publicist and a few other jobs, and Donald Duquette, secretary extraordinaire.

The Valley of Rutland, although one of our smallest Valleys, illustrates what a handful of dedicated Brothers can accomplish. They created a nice group of new candidates this year, one more than last year, and so sustained a pattern of growth. The inner core consists of enthusiastic and dedicated officers who put in a lot of time to make this growth possible. They created an excellent 16th degree team and traveled to Montpelier in February to share their work. They are now putting an 18th degree team together. If they can work together with the Brattleboro Lodge of Perfection, this will give us a complete slate of required degrees available in the southern part of our State for the first time in many, many years.

Another noteworthy accomplishment of this Valley was the beginning of a newsletter being mailed to their membership. Hooray! They have also begun a Family Life program under Bill Anderson, and plan a trip to the National Heritage Museum this July 27th. Let Bill know if you want to go along- or better yet, perhaps the other Valleys would like to join Bill's effort. In short, this is a small group with a lot of creativity and dedication that are making things happen.

In conclusion I would like to extend a huge Thank You to all our Officers and leaders for the hard work they have been doing to turn the rudder and bring the ship of Scottish Rite about in Vermont. It may not be clear from where you sit, but a State wide and year long look, as I have tried to present here, clearly shows progress being made on many fronts. It all adds up to a more hopeful picture than we have seen for many years. We are here this morning at an important moment in our history because we can either build upon the solid advancements we have made, or sink back into apathy and indifference. Attitude is the critical difference between these two. The gains we have made are a good beginning, but our task is large. Let us go onward with courage and conviction, and listen to an even rosier report on this day next June. And once again- Thank You to all those who labor on the decks of this great ship.

Fraternally and respectfully submitted for the committee, Eric Ginette, 33°

Eric Ginette
Frederick Jackson
Richard Hildebrand

Report Accepted.

REPORT OF THE CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE SCOTTISH RITE REORGANIZATION

This committee was appointed by the Valley of Burlington Administrative Council through its chairman, Ronald Place, and by the Vermont Consistory through its Commander in Chief, Leonard M Branch. The impetus for the creation of the committee was based on a directive from the Supreme Council and the Deputy for Vermont, Frederick E. Jackson, reasserting that the Vermont Consistory is a part of the Valley of Burlington and as such must fall under that Valley's governing committee. The current bylaws of the Valley of Burlington do not make those

provisions. Further, there exists a separate Executive Council, which is acting as the governing body of the Consistory contrary to the Constitutions of the Supreme Council, NMJ. This committee was tasked with addressing the issue of the Valley organization as it relates to the Consistory and the governing bodies thereof and to make recommendations to bring the Rules, Regulations and By-Laws of the Valley into compliance with the Constitutions of the Supreme Council. After an thorough review of the governing documents of the Supreme Council, the Vermont Council of Deliberation (COD), the Valley of Burlington and the Vermont Consistory by the committee, it was deemed appropriate that the Valley by-laws be updated to reflect inclusion of the Vermont Consistory within the governing jurisdiction of the Valley; that the Executive Council be abolished, and that the COD Constitutions be updated to reflect management of those issues previously assumed to be in the jurisdiction of the Executive Council. It was also felt the COD must take a more active and hands-on role in the policy making and coordination of Scottish Rite programs and activities in the State under the general direction of the Deputy for Vermont. Further, at the direction of the Deputy and with the authority of the Supreme Council, we looked at the possibility of providing for a more compact and streamlined organization of the Valley Body Officer corps and the Executive Board in an attempt to have a more dynamic and committed leadership. Accordingly, the committee has prepared recommended changes to the Vermont COD Constitutions and the Valley of Burlington Rules Regulations and By-Laws. A marked up copy of both the COD Constitutions and Valley By-Laws are available for review. Also available is a "clear" copy of both documents reflecting them as they will appear upon being approved. Attached to this report is a document which represents a summary of the changes to both documents.

The committee respectfully recommends that these changes be adopted and the provisions there-in provided be implemented as soon as practical. We further recommend that the Consistory Executive Council be disbanded forthwith. We advise a review of the all Valley's By-Laws to assure compliance with any adopted changes to the COD Constitution. We encourage the Council, with the consent of the Deputy, to mirror the Valley of Burlington officer corps reorganization in other valleys in the state. We stand ready to respond to any questions and or suggestions concerning this report and to assist in its implementation.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

John R. Campbell Jr, Chairman For the Committee: Roger L Crouse, James E. Selleck, Frederick Rayfield, Robert A. Lemnah, Robert M. Gockel

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDED CHANGES:

Rules, Regulations and By-Laws of the Valley of Burlington, AASR Mar 7, 2008
General:

- The document is re-titled to mirror the titles of superior documents
- Several articles are reformatted and content relocated for clarity

- Vermont Consistory is added as a Body of the Valley and all articles reflect its inclusion, officers, representation, etc.
- References to Consistory Executive Council are removed
- The name of the governing committee is changed to “Executive Board”
- The officers and the committees are more specifically delineated and their duties elaborated
- Provided for the election of only the two senior officers in each body and the appointment of other officers only as needed for ceremonial, ritualistic or drama purposes

These changes are reflected throughout. More specifically the following are noted:

Art 1: Names

- Vermont Consistory added as a Valley body

Art 2 Authority and Allegiance: No substantive change

Art 3 Declaration of Principles: No substantive change

Art 4: Government: No substantive change

Art 5: Officers of the Bodies

- Identifies “elected” officers for all four Bodies
- Identifies the officers who serve all four Bodies
- Identifies “appointed” officers for all four Bodies
- Provides for the election of only the top two officers in each Body
- Provides for Appointed Officers to be appointed for ceremonial, ritual, and degree purposes only. Appointments to be made by the drama/casting committee and approved by the Presiding Officer
- Provides for the (optional) appointment of an Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer.

- Specifies that all elected and appointed officers shall receive training

- Specifies the duties of the Presiding Officer, Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer

- Provides for recommending of MSA Nominees

Art 6: Body Meetings: No substantive change

Art 7: Executive Board (formerly entitled Administrative Council)

- Members-At-Large must be members of the Valley of Burlington and hold the 32nd degree
- Drama director deleted as ex-officio member of the Executive Board
- Added chair of Trustees to Executive Board
- Executive Board action on degrees and degree dates is changed from “decide” to “approve”
- Executive Board to report issues of state-wide relevance to the Council of Deliberation (as opposed to the Executive Council of Vermont Consistory)
- The Executive Board shall provide for a mandatory officer training program.
- Provided that the Deputy/Active ex-officio member and the Advisor be non-voting members
- A quorum for meetings is changed from “four” to a “majority of the voting members”

Art 8: Valley Committees

- New article specifying committees (some previously specified in other articles)
- Delineated duties of the committees (some previously noted elsewhere)
- Provides for mandatory fiscal audits and verification of necessary tax filings
- Lodge Ambassador program reassigned to the COD – implemented by the membership committees

Art 9: Trustees:

- Commander in Chief added to Trustees, increasing the total number of Trustees from 6 to 7

Art 10: Fees: No substantive change

Art 11: Dues:

- Dues Exemption is modified from “attained 50 years of service will be exempted from the payment of dues” to add “with the exception of assessments.”

- The Senior Member paragraph is modified to simply state that a member who has attained the age of 80 is eligible for the over 80 Senior Membership program

Art 12: Candidates – Petitions:

- Objection to a petitioner must be acted upon at a meeting within 60 days

Art 13: Amendments and Appeal:

- Provides for Deputy approval before amendment becomes effective
- Repeals Rules and Regulations of the Vermont Consistory

Summary of recommended changes:

Constitution of the Vermont Council of Deliberation, AASR Mar 7, 2008

General:

- Several articles are reformatted and renumbered
- Constitutions divided into Part 1 and Part 2
- Authority for and references to the Consistory Executive Council is removed throughout
- “Administrative Council” is re-designated as “Executive Board” and references changed throughout
- Committees are established and defined (to reassign and effect responsibilities previously held by the Executive Council and to re-enforce the responsibilities of the COD)

Article 1: Name and Authority: No substantive changes

Article 2: Membership: Changes membership on the Council to include only the two top officers of each subordinate Body

Article 3: Meetings: Notice requirements for meetings of the Council added

Article 4: Officers: No substantive changes

Article 5: Committees:

- This article is strengthened with the intent that the Council would be the regulatory and policy making body of the Scottish Rite in Vermont and making it responsible for the continued development and growth of the Rite. It is, and should be, responsible for the direction, coordination and support of the several Valleys within the state
- The list of committees is expanded to include Membership, Membership Retention and Inter-Valley Coordination. Membership and membership retention are a concern for all Valleys in Vermont, thus emphasis at the Council level is imperative. One of the purposes of the Executive Council was to ensure inter-valley coordination,

including coordination of Valley calendars and degrees. With the removal of the Executive Council, this work is assigned to the COD and expanded to include any events, initiatives and, with the approval of the Deputy, activities involving other Valleys outside of Vermont

- The minimum duties of the committees are specified
 - Provisions made for a mandatory fiscal audit and tax filing verification
- Article 6 thru 7: No substantive changes
 Article 8: Executive Board: (formerly entitled Administrative Council)
- Defines powers
 - Changes “three body valleys” to “multiple body valleys”
 - Added authority for the Executive Board to increase its membership within its by-laws.
 - Added Treasurer to the Board in one body valleys
 - Provided for three Members-at-Large on Board, each limited to a maximum of two 3- year terms
 - Board action on degrees and degree dates is changed from “decide” to “approve”. Requirement to notify COD (for coordination purposes) is added
 - Provided that an appointed Advisor be non-voting
- Article 9: Subordinate Body Officers: Allows, with permission of the deputy for the election of only the two top officers in the Bodies with others being elected or appointed as shall be provided in the Valley By-Laws.
 Article 10 Scottish Rite Clubs: Renumbered from a subsection of Art 8
 Article 11 Revenues: Renumbered from 9: No substantive changes
 Article 12 Reports: Renumbered from 10: Deleted requirement to provide Election Certificate (now done through MDS)
 Article 13 Residence: Renumbered from 11: No substantive changes
 Article 14; Membership Committees: Renumbered from 12
- Requires a retention committee in the Valleys
- Article 15: Meeting Notices: Renumbered from 13
 Article 16: Amendments:
- Provides for Deputy approval before amendment becomes effective
 - Repeals previous Constitutions

Committee recommended to adopt the constitutional changes. Voted and accepted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Report No. 1 – Audit, Records and Investments

To the Vermont Council of Deliberation now in session:

Your Finance Committee has recorded its approval of your Treasurer and the records of your Secretary. Your Finance Committee has recorded its approval of the Treasurer’s work by attesting his annual report in these proceedings. Securities held and invested funds have been accounted for and recorded.

Your Committee finds the Secretary’s records are kept in accurate and workmanlike manner.

We recommend that the accounts of the Treasurer and the records of the Secretary for the year May 1, 2006 – April 30, 2007 (May 1, 2007 – April 30, 2008 [JE Sec.}) be accepted and approved and the Treasurer continue to review the investments, with approval of the Finance Committee of any changes.

Fraternally Submitted,

Michael A. Lunn, 33° *Chairman*
 Robert A. Lemnah, 33° MSA
 Charles A. Luciano, 33°
 Donald Duquette 33°

I move the acceptance of this report.

Report No. 2 – Donations

To the Vermont Council of Deliberation, now in session:

Your Finance Committee recommends the following donations from the Hospitaler's Fund:

1	To the Masonic Visitor at the Veterans Administration Hospital, White River Junction	\$150.00
2	To the Masonic Visitor at the Fletcher Allen Health Care, Burlington	\$100.00
3	To the Masonic Visitor at the Veterans Home, Bennington	\$50.00.

Fraternally Submitted,

Michael A. Lunn, 33° *Chairman*
 Robert A. Lemnah, 33° MSA
 Charles A. Luciano, 33°
 Donald Duquette 33°

Report approved.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Report No. 3 – Budget and Per Capita Tax

To the Vermont Council of Deliberation, now in session:

Your Finance Committee presents the following Budget for the Year ending April 30, 2009:

INCOME

Receipts, Dues & Fees	253.00	
Receipts, Per Capita Tax	2,930.20	
Interest - VCOD Savings	50.00	
Miscellaneous Donations	100.00	
Dinner Tickets Sold Annual Meeting	500.00	
Banquet Tickets Sold 33° Vermont Banquet	900.00	
Proceedings Income	10.00	
Hospitalers Collection Year Total	70.00	
Total Receipts	<u>4,813.20</u>	
Transfer from Investments	3,471.80	
Total Income	<u><u>\$8,285.00</u></u>	

EXPENSES

Deputy Expense	450.00
Active Expense	400.00
Secretary Expense	325.00
Treasurer Honorarium	100.00
Sentinel Honorarium	10.00
Annual Assembly (net)	500.00
Proceedings	-
Postage:	100.00
Printing:	100.00
Newsletter	100.00
Supreme Council - Learning	125.00
Abbott Educ. & Charity	100.00
Order of DeMolay/Rainbow	200.00
Awards	400.00
Awards Banquet Cost	900.00
Office Expense	150.00
Promoting of Masonic Activities	300.00
Vermont Dinner @ Supreme Council	550.00
Memorial Flowers	100.00
Facilities Use (Burlington & Montpelier)	150.00
CLC Student Award	100.00
Miscellaneous	100.00
Hospitalers Expense	300.00
Learning Center -WF (Maintenance Assistance)	100.00
Young Mason of the Year Award	125.00
Supreme Council - Weber Memorial	2,500.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	<u><u>\$8,285.00</u></u>
NET (INCOME - EXPENSES)	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>

Your Finance Committee recommends that the per capita tax remain \$0.70. (This was increased to \$1.25. [JE Sec.])

Fraternally Submitted,

Michael A. Lunn, 33° *Chairman*
Robert A. Lemnah, 33° MSA
Charles A. Luciano, 33°
Donald Duquette 33°

Report approved.

**VERMONT COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION
TREASURER'S REPORT**

Balance Sheet

As of April 30, 2008

ASSETS

Current Assets

 Checking/Savings

100	V.C.O.D. Checking Account	100.00	
	V.C.O.D. Savings	2522.00	
	V.C.O.D. Memorial Funds	<u>1839.27</u>	
	Cash		4461.27
102	Invested Funds on April 30, 2007		<u>63,162.22</u>
TOTAL ASSETS			<u><u>67,623.49</u></u>

INVESTED OPERATING FUNDS

	April 2007	April 2006
Balance of Fund, May 1		
Small & Mid Cap	11,861.88	9,754.33
Main Street	12,479.84	10,941.62
Global Opportunities	14,081.32	13,776.32
Capital Income	10,980.62	11,641.17
Champion	<u>10,980.46</u>	<u>10,023.02</u>
	60,384.12	56,136.46

INCOME AND EXPENSE ACCOUNTS

Year ending April 30, 2008

INCOME		Actual 2008
201-00	Receipts, Dues & Fees	3058.40
202-00	Receipts, Per Capita Tax	
204-00	Income – Invested Funds	-
204-CD	Interest - VCOD Savings	64.36
204-RP	Interest – Parker Memorial	16.00
204-WF	Interest - Wildblood Memorial	-
205-01	Miscellaneous Donations	73.00
306-01	Dinner Tickets Sold Annual Meeting	346.00
306-02	Banquet Tickets Sold 33° Vt Banquet	1,096.00
306-03	Award Banquet Sold	-
306-04	Proceedings Income	5.00
405-HF	Hospitalers Collection Year Total	70.00
501-PF	Learning Center Receipts – Parker Memorial	1,000.00
501-WF	Learning Center Receipts – Wildblood Memorial	100.00
	Total Receipts	5,828.76
	Deposit from Invested Funds	
TOTAL INCOME		<u><u>5,828.76</u></u>

EXPENSES

301-00	Deputy Expense	450.00
302-00	Active Expense	400.00
303-00	Secretary Expense	325.00
304-00	Treasurer Honorarium	100.00
305-00	Sentinel Honorarium	10.00
306-00	Annual Assembly (net)	82.08
307-00	Proceedings	-
	Postage:	
	Printing:	
307-10	Newsletter	-
308-00	Supreme Council - Learning	125.00
309-00	Abbott Educ. & Charity	100.00
310-00	Order of DeMolay/Rainbow	200.00
311-00	Awards	156.41
311-01	Awards Banquet Cost	792.00
311-02	Awards Banquet Guest	-
312-00	Office Expense	18.86
313-00	Promoting of Masonic Activities	-
314-00	Vermont Dinner @ Supreme Council	1,725.00
315-00	Memorial Flowers	-
316-00	Facilities Use (Burlington & Montpelier)	150.00
319-01	CLC Student Award	0.00

320-00	Miscellaneous	28.00
801-HF	Hospitalers Expense	300.00
801-WF	Learning Center -WF (Maintenance Assistance)	67.12
319-00	Young Mason of the Year Award	0.00
	TOTAL EXPENSE	5,029.47
	NET (INCOME - EXPENSES)	799.29

Budgeted 2009

INCOME		Budgeted 2009
201-00	Receipts, Dues & Fees	-
202-00	Receipts, Per Capita Tax	3,117.80
204-00	Income – Invested Funds	
204-CD	Interest - VCOD Savings	
204-RP	Interest – Parker Memorial	
204-WF	Interest - Wildblood Memorial	
205-01	Miscellaneous Donations	
306-01	Dinner Tickets Sold Annual Meeting	
306-02	Banquet Tickets Sold 33° Vt Banquet	
306-03	Award Banquet Sold	
306-04	Proceedings Income	
405-HF	Hospitalers Collection Year Total	
501-PF	Learning Center Receipts – Parker Memorial	
501-WF	Learning Center Receipts – Wildblood Memorial	
	Total Receipts	3,117.80
	Deposit from Invested Funds	
TOTAL INCOME		<u><u>3,117.80</u></u>

EXPENSES

301-00	Deputy Expense	450.00
302-00	Active Expense	400.00
303-00	Secretary Expense	325.00
304-00	Treasurer Honorarium	100.00
305-00	Sentinel Honorarium	10.00
306-00	Annual Assembly (net)	500.00
307-00	Proceedings	300.00
	Postage:	
	Printing:	
307-10	Newsletter	100.00
308-00	Supreme Council - Learning	125.00
309-00	Abbott Educ. & Charity	100.00
310-00	Order of DeMolay/Rainbow	200.00
311-00	Awards	400.00
311-01	Awards Banquet Cost	792.00

311-02	Awards Banquet Guest	-
312-00	Office Expense	150.00
313-00	Promoting of Masonic Activities	300.00
314-00	Vermont Dinner @ Supreme Council	550.00
315-00	Memorial Flowers	100.00
316-00	Facilities Use (Burlington & Montpelier)	150.00
319-01	CLC Student Award	100.00
320-00	Miscellaneous	100.00
801-HF	Hospitalers Expense	300.00
801-WF	Learning Center -WF (Maintenance Assistance)	
319-00	Young Mason of the Year Award	125.00
	TOTAL EXPENSE	4,735.00
	NET (INCOME - EXPENSES)	(1,617.20)

Respectfully submitted,
 Robert A. Lemnah, 33°
Treasurer

Report accepted.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

To the Vermont Council of Deliberation now in session:

I received thank you's from the following who received donations from the Council:

- Both Masonic Youth groups: DeMolay and Rainbow,
- John Kennedy, Jr., Masonic Visitor, Bennington Veteran's Hospital,
- Merlin Doyle, Masonic Visitor, White River Junction Veteran's Hospital,
- Thomas Bailey, Masonic Visitor, Fletcher Allen Health Care, Burlington and the Director of Scottish Rite Charities

Again this year the distribution of the Annual Meeting Proceedings was done by way of CD's, PDF files sent by email, and hard copies.

An email address to the Secretary will get any of you a pdf file of the Proceedings.

This year the Council held a Mid-Year Winter Workshop meeting, February 09, 2008, at the Green Mountain Masonic Center in Williston. The following committees held meetings in the morning session: Membership, Finance, Secretary's, Directors of Work, Publications and Nominations. Following lunch, the Commander-in-Chief, Brother Frederick Jackson, 33°, opened the Council meeting with twenty-six Scottish Rite members in attendance. Committee reports were then presented. Following the committee reports, the Commander-in-Chief presented information relating to Scottish Rite in Vermont. The various Reports will be presented later and published in the Proceedings..

Now, on to the area of interest to us all – Membership. The membership statistics for the past year, as of April 30, 2008 are as follows:

Vermont Consistory (inits: 55).....	968 a net loss of 18 (1.8 %)
Four Chapters of Rose Croix(inits:59).....	1,048 a net loss of 12 (1.1 %)
Four Councils, Prince of Jerusalem (in: 58).....	1,064 a net loss of 14 (1.2 %)
Four Lodges of Perfection (inits: 52).....	1,096 a net loss of 21 (1.9 %)

The previous year's were 4 - 6 %. Typical of what we have been running for a number of years. This past year, our losses, were 1 - 2 %. This is the smallest membership decrease we have had in many a year!
Let me repeat that - This past year, our losses were 1 - 2 %. The smallest loss we have had in many a year.

159 of our Consistory members have been in Scottish Rite for less than ten years and we brought in 1/3 of them just this past year!

Congratulations to all who made this membership turn-around possible!

Let's keep up the good work and initiate even more this year.

Of interest, and possibly concern, we have 128 Lodge of Perfection members that are on the road to Consistory. It's a long time before our next Consistory class is held. Let's see that these members continue on the Consistory road and do not lose their interest and "fall between the cracks." We need them as 32rd degree Scottish Rite Masons. Getting them into Consistory would increase today's Consistory membership numbers by 13 %

I don't want to bore you with statistics, but now a quick look at the ages of our members. Something to ponder:

Only 6 % (56) of our members are less than 40 years old

Three quarters are 60 years old or older!

And slightly over one-half of our membership is 70 or older!

Let's all get out and sell Freemasonry and Scottish Rite and make the 55 member Consistory class we just had the beginning of the turn-around in Vermont Scottish Rite. We can do it!

Fraternally submitted,

Robert A. Powlus, 33°
Secretary

SECRETARY COMMITTEE REPORT

To the Vermont Council of Deliberation now in session:

Some of the discussion and observations from our February 9th meeting;

MDS System

- Lexington should not process a pending posting without getting the Valley Secretary authorization.
- Valley Secretaries need system authorization to change degree dates and other information.

Due to previous system conversions, lot of incorrect information is currently in the database. Much time over an extended period is needed to correct these errors.

- The Secretaries are waiting for the March meeting in Lexington to find out about the system changes (One Secretary was unable to attend).
- All Valley Secretaries are using MDS to track donations as well as dues received from our members.

Drama Degrees

- Someone other than the Valley Secretary needs to manage this (in the afternoon meeting, Fred gave permission to the Secretaries to make copies of the drama disk for the drama directors, who will manage this, but the Secretary needs to record who he gives the disk copy to).
- With the Valley assuming a large increase in printing and mailing, Supreme Council really needs to consider allowing electronic distribution like they are doing with much of their business communications.

All Secretaries are recording minutes for Administrative Council meetings as well as stated meetings.

The Secretaries thought the Lexington Training had very little benefit, since most was geared to large Valley operations. They get more assistance from each other within Vermont. They thought the February meeting was worth their time, but suggest that future meetings might be held on a week night rather than taking a Saturday away from the family, but the one not present disagreed with this suggestion due to his work hours.

As Chairman, I want to thank all of the Secretaries in their hard and dedicated work they do for our order and their willingness to help each other.

Submitted by,

James E. Selleck
Robert M. Gockel
Donald G. Duquette
James J. Hubert
Johann J. Nortz

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

To the Vermont Council of Deliberation now in session:

1: After careful deliberation and conference with those Brothers whose name we herein recommend to office, the committee proposes the following slate of officers to serve this Council for the ensuing year:

Commander in Chief	Ill: Frederick E. Jackson, 33°
Commander in Chief Emeritus	Ill: Peter G. Huntsman, 33°
Commander in Chief Emeritus	Ill: Richard E. Hildebrand, 33°
1 st Lt Commander	Ill: Eric Ginette, 33°
2nd Lt Commander	Bro Charles H Shadel, 32°, MSA (Burlington)
Minister of State	Bro Johan J Nortz, 32°, MSA (Brattleboro)
Chancellor	Bro Ronald Place, 32°, MSA (Burlington)
Prior	Ill: Roland J Smith, 33°, MSA (Burlington)
Treasurer	Ill: Robert Lemnah, 33°, MSA
Secretary	Bro John Eckrote, 32°, (Montpelier)
Secretary Emeritus	Ill: Robert A Powlus, 33°
Master of Ceremonies	Ill: Roger L Crouse, 33° (Burlington)
Seneschal	Ill: Palmer Martin, 33° (Montpelier)
Standard Bearer	Bro Ronald Greene, 32° (Montpelier)
Guard	Bro Thomas Johnston IV, 32° (Rutland)
Sentinel	Bro Nathaniel Seely, 32° (Brattleboro)

2: The committee recommends that Illustrious Robert A. Powlus, 33° be elected to Emeritus status in recognition of his long, outstanding and dedicated service as our Secretary.

Fraternally Submitted;

The Committee

John R Campbell Jr, 33° Chair
William Anderson, 32°
Leonard M Branch, 33°
Donald Duquette, 33°
A. Stephen Farrington, 32°
Paul White, 33°

There being no other nominations, the report of the nominating committee was accepted and the Secretary directed to cast one ballot for the slate of officers.

REPORT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

To the Vermont Council of Deliberation now in session:

This year Vermont was allotted only \$3500.00 from the Abbott Scottish Rite Scholarship Fund for your committee to allocate.
The committee voted to award three Scholarships as follows:

Caitlin G. Loretan, University of Vermont, Burlington, Vt.-\$1250.00 (2nd. year)

Brett A. Smith, Champlain College, Burlington, Vt.-\$1000.00 (2nd. year)

Nikiah L. Vincent, College of St. Joseph, Rutland, Vt.-\$1250.00 (Senior)

There were six applications submitted of which one was not complete.
A new rule is that a student must have completed their first year of collage to apply.
This Committee wants to remind applicants to read and follow the instructions thoroughly.

This committee is restricted as to the minimal amount of each scholarship to be awarded.

One thousand dollars is the low limit.

Any member that knows of a student that plans on applying for the Abbott Scholarship next year, should make them aware of this and tell them to apply early and have their application in at least two weeks before the first of April.

A note of interest: On the form it asks for affiliation: Father, Grandfather. Most every student has to use Grandfather.

Respectfully Submitted
Roland Smith MSA 33rd Chairman
Frederick Rayfield MSA 33rd
Willis J. Morse, 33rd
Eric Steele, 33rd
Deputy & Active

The above noted scholarship checks were presented at the luncheon following the Annual Meeting

RETIRING SECRETARY RECOGNIZED

Ill. Brother Robert A. Powlus, 33°, was recognized by the Ill. Commander in Chief for his fifteen years of service as secretary to our Council, and presented a certificate of faithful service to mark his retirement at this meeting. Upon motion from the floor it was voted that Ill. Brother Powlus would remain among the ranks of our officers with the honorary title of "Secretary Emeritus."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

To the Vermont Council of Deliberation now in session:

Number of Valleys in Vermont	4
Number of Valleys represented at the meeting	4
Total number of Voting Members present (Attendance)	33
Due to members holding several positions, represented were:	
Active Members	5
Honorary 33° Members	17
Meritorious Service Award Members	12
Council of Deliberation Officers	10
Past Council of Deliberation Officers	6
Consistory Officers	1
Past Consistory Officers	6
Subordinate Valley Officers	11
Past Subordinate Valley Officers	23
Non-Voting Members Present	6
Total number of Brothers present	40

Respectfully Submitted,

Wendell H. Chaffee, 33° *Chairman*
Raymond E. Chapin, 33°
Francis J. McCaffrey, MSA
James E. Selleck, 33°
Palmer Martin, 33°

Report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

To the Vermont Council of Deliberation now in session:

When I was made an Active member of the Supreme Council, I began an attempt to bring the principles I had developed as membership chairman in my home Valley to each of the Valleys in our State. When I was made membership chairman, I was the only new member to have joined for several years. Classes of one or two were the norm. I reasoned that our "life blood" if you will was the Blue Lodges of our Valley, and began to visit and speak to them about the Scottish Rite. Within a couple of years, candidate class size reached a dozen. So I thought I could teach through a series of seminars the things I had learned, and every Valley would have big candidate classes. It has not been as easy as I envisioned.

I held my first seminar in Montpelier in March 07. Some members of Burlington attended, and John Parenteau was among them. I loaned John some literature about the Rite, shared my "talking points" with him, and wished him luck. I developed and widely distributed these talking points because I realized no one had a good answer to the question "why join the Rite?" I built up Montpelier's membership committee from one to four. I also created this membership committee of the Council of Deliberation, and we met at the February "Workshop" meeting of this Body. In January I tried to present a seminar to Brattleboro Valley. Only a few brothers attended, and of these only one, Robert Fagge, expressed any interest in trying out my idea of actually visiting Blue Lodges. However, as far as I know nothing ever came of this. A similar seminar in Rutland was attended only by one member of that Valley.

I sense Rutland feels they need no advice, and in truth they are doing pretty well, having had eight new members last year and nine this year. Win Pike and the officers there are very active Masons and are doing a lot to build that Valley up. Brattleboro brought in one member last year and none this year. Burlington hit the dozen mark this year, an increase of 5 over last year. Imagine what might happen if they had two brothers on their membership committee! Montpelier lead the State again with 17 new 32° Masons, an increase of two over last year. They also did a few associated things that helped, like using heavy parchment paper to print their petitions on, which gives them a lot more class. Brother Lee Martenson has been the driving force behind the Montpelier group, and they visited something like seven of their Blue Lodges in the last year. I rebuilt the petitions of each Valley in the State, updating them in conjunction with Robert Gockel. I also had these petitions uploaded to the Grand Lodge website.

What I'm trying to express is that there are lots and lots of Blue Lodge Masons out there who not only would benefit from Scottish Rite membership, but are ready to join. But by and large, no one is asking them. We could easily triple our candidate classes. All it takes is a little effort. All of our problems would disappear if we would stop worrying about them and go recruit new members.

Here are a couple of recommendations from the committee. The Council of Deliberation of Maine has begun a program where each month members of their Valleys target a few Blue Lodges to attend. A communication goes out to the Valley members to all converge on that Lodge on such and such an evening. Brothers, believe me this can have a huge impact on this Lodge. It is good to give a talk about our Rite at such a meeting, with the Master's approval. But it is also good to listen to the Brothers, learn what they are doing, how they are doing it. The secret of a viable Valley is a strong interface with the Blue Lodges within that Valley. If you expect them to help Scottish Rite, well, how then is Scottish Rite helping them? Having a couple of membership committee guys faced with the challenge of visiting strange Lodges and speaking to them is daunting. I find it to be fun, but I discover most look upon it with dread. However, with a few other Valley brothers there, it will not be so difficult to do.

It is also very helpful to tie in Valley activities with your local Blue Lodges. Ideally, Family Life events should be planned together with area Blue Lodges. I realize there is reluctance on the part of the Lodges to work with another "strange" group. But this is just what we need to overcome. It is vital that we build the realization we are all members of one Brotherhood.

In closing I will remind you of my key talking point. The Scottish Rite completes what the Blue Lodge begins. At the end of the Third Degree the Temple remains unfinished. What clearer symbol could there be that the brother's Masonic education is not yet done? Our degree system imparts the real meaning of Masonry, and without it no one's Masonic knowledge is complete. So look upon it as bringing to Master Masons the Light they so vitally need. Such a great product just sells itself.

Eric Ginette
John Parenteau
Steven Engel
Winfred Pike
Nathaniel Seeley

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DISPENSATIONS AND CHARTERS

To the Vermont Council of Deliberation now in session:

There was no business referred to this committee during the past year.

Respectfully submitted:

Theodore G. Corsones, 33°
James E. Selleck, 33°
Palmer E. Martin, 33°, Chairman

June 14, 2008

DIRECTORS WORK COMMITTEE

To the Vermont Council of Deliberation now in session:

This was a first of a kind meeting for this committee and there was much discussion on a lot of items. This committee was charged to discuss emerging new techniques of presentation, problems, and recommendations to improve our meetings and degree work.

The first comment from the directors was how could they get more control of the CDs to keep up with each degree? The Deputy was present and told the directors the Secretaries could burn a CD of the degrees for each director.

It was felt more planning and coordination with all of the Valleys, so that more of the none required degrees could be performed. What or how can we improve or do the degrees differently? Some of this has to do with the facilities, props and costumes.

It was highly recommended to open each stated meeting/degree and do the usual items, such as saluting the Flag and Fraternal collection also the prolog. Have the Actives do their comments after the degree. Keep cast members out of the room where Candidates are so they get full effect of the degree. After the degree have cast congratulate candidates and be seated on side line to listen to commercials and the Actives comments.

There was discussion on casting and rehearsals, a suggestion get Body Heads involved to help the directors get cast members to rehearsal. Let them know how important the rehearsals are for Scottish Rite.

This committee or the Directors get together at least once a year to coordinate degrees for the year in all Valleys. Make sure they don't conflict with one or the other. Get the degrees and dates put on Calenders of Grand Lodge, Green Mountain Freemason, Scottish Rite Web Site and news letters. Use our Web Site for more information to help the Make up Crew, Costumes and Stage Crews. When this Committee meets to plan degrees try to have dates of the other fraternal organizations so there are no conflicts.

Suggest working under studies into the degrees for replacements.

The Deputy asked to have a play or degree for the Council of Deliberation in June as the Sovereign Grand Commander will be attending. This was his request at this meeting unless there were changes later.

Roland Smith Chairman
Directors from each Valley

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE 32° MASONIC LEARNING
CENTER FOR CHILDREN
Report No. 1**

To the Vermont Council of Deliberation now in session:

The Burlington, VT - 32° Masonic Learning Center for Children has been in operation for 5 years. Our learning center is located in the Green Mountain Masonic Center in Williston, VT.

In Oct 2007 we held our fourth annual "Waterfront Walk To Help Children with Dyslexia" held on the Burlington Waterfront. This event was not successful, attendance continues to decline and we have decided not to hold an event this fall.

We are reorganizing the Board of Governors to make it more efficient and act more like a board. As most of the individuals on the board of governors have been on the board since the beginning we are actively looking for individuals that would like to help the learning center. We have added a few more board members to help in this cause. Due to personal obligations I will be stepping down as Chairperson of the Board of Governors as soon as a replacement can be found. I will remain active on the board as much as possible in a supporting roll. We are looking for all valleys to help with running our Learning Center.

We are looking to more actively promote the learning center to get the word out of our progress. We are actively looking for additional children for our tutoring program and more interested adults to fill our tutoring positions.

I would like to thank each of you and your valleys for making our learning center successful. Thank you very much.

Fraternally Submitted,

Michael A. Lunn, 33° *Chairman Learning Center Board of Governors*

I move the acceptance of this report.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AWARDS FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE

To the Vermont Council of Deliberation now in session:

There was only one nomination made to our committee for the year 2008. At this time your committee has decided to defer this nomination for one year and it will be submitted for the 2009 annual report. Our decision is based on the number of MSA's awarded over the past few years. It is a prestigious award and we do not intend to dilute that aspect. The nominee is well worthy and does merit our attention for next year.

Fraternally submitted

Earl J. Washburn 33
 Robert H. Steele 33
 Paul H. White 33
 Roger M. Davis 32
 Kenneth J. Miller 32

IN LOVING MEMORY OF THE
 SCOTTISH RITE MASONS
 WHO HAVE BEEN CALLED BY THE
 GRAND ARCHITECT OF THE UNIVERSE
 SINCE WE LAST MET IN 2007

The Council of Deliberation officers for the year 2008-2009 were installed by Ill. Frederick E. Jackson, 33^o, Commander-In-Chief and Deputy for Vermont.

There being no further business, the 2008 Session of the Vermont Council of Deliberation was closed by the Commander-In-Chief.

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a full and complete record of the Proceedings and all business transacted at the One Hundred Thirty-Fourth Annual Assembly of the Vermont Council of Deliberation, A.A.S.R. held at the Montpelier Masonic Center, Montpelier, Vermont on the 14th day of June, A.D. 2008 and printed under my direction.

Witness my hand this 18th Day of February, 2009.

John W. Eckrote, 32^o, *Secretary*

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ACTIVE MEMBERS OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL

	Received 33°	Active Member
Frederick E. Jackson, 33°	Sept. 27, 1988	Sept. 03, 2002
Eric Ginette, 33°	Aug. 30, 2005	Aug. 28, 2006

PART II

ACTIVE EMERITUS MEMBERS OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL

	Received 33°	Active Member	Emeritus Member
Peter G. Huntsman, 33°	Sept. 28, 1977	Oct. 01, 1981	Sept. 03, 2002
Richard E. Hildebrand, 33°	Sept. 28, 1999	Sept. 26, 2000	Aug. 28, 2006

INFORMATION CONCERNING**THE SUPREME COUNCIL OF****SOVEREIGN GRAND INSPECTORS GENERAL, 33°****And****THE ANCIENT ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE****IN THE STATE OF VERMONT****HONORARY MEMBERS OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL (Living)**(By seniority of membership, with date of coronation)
Date of Receiving the 33rd Degree

Peter G. Huntsman	33°	Sept. 28, 1977
Richard Elliot Fletcher	33°	Sept. 24, 1980
Edward Richardson Eurich	33°	Sept. 29, 1982
Wendell Harris Chaffee	33°	Sept. 25, 1985
Frederick Earle Jackson	33°	Sept. 27, 1988
Robert Addison Powlus	33°	Sept. 27, 1988
Joseph Jacobs	33°	Aug. 30, 1989
William Louis Meyer	33°	Aug. 30, 1989
Charles Anthony Luciano	33°	Sept. 24, 1991
Raymond Edwin Chapin	33°	Aug. 31, 1993
Brian Lawrence Carley	33°	Sept. 27, 1994
John Raymond Campbell	33°	Oct. 3, 1995
Roderick Joseph Maclay	33°	Oct. 3, 1995
Gaius Harvey Blackmer	33°	Aug. 27, 1996
James Earl Selleck	33°	Aug. 27, 1996
Frederick Parish Swanson	33°	Aug. 27, 1996

HONORARY MEMBERS OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL (Living)

(By seniority of membership, with date of coronation)

Date of Receiving the 33rd Degree
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David Rudolph Coates	33°	Sept. 23, 1997
David Earl Cumming	33°	Sept. 23, 1997
Palmer Elso Martin	33°	Sept. 29, 1998
Alexis Jean Parent	33°	Sept. 29, 1998
Richard E. Hildebrand	33°	Sept. 28, 1999
Willis James Morse	33°	Sept. 28, 1999
Earl Joseph Washburn	33°	Sept. 26, 2000
Paul Hastings White	33°	Sept. 26, 2000
George W. Livendale	33°	Sept. 25, 2001
Donald Coolidge Brown	33°	Sept. 03, 2002
Theodore C. Corsones	33°	Sept. 03, 2002
Roland Joseph Smith	33°	Sept. 03, 2002
Roger Leslie Crouse	33°	Sept. 23, 2003
Cedric Lane Smith	33°	Sept. 23, 2003
Robert A. Lemnah	33°	Sept. 21, 2004
Bruce E. Pomeroy	33°	Sept. 21, 2004
Leonard M. Branch	33°	Aug. 30, 2005
Eric Ginette	33°	Aug. 30, 2005
Brent N. Martin	33°	Aug. 30, 2005
Frederick J. Rayfield	33°	Aug. 29, 2006
Eric C. Steele	33°	Aug. 29, 2006
Michael A. Lunn	33°	Aug. 27, 2007
Winford G. Pike	33°	Aug. 27, 2007
Donald C. Duquette	33°	Aug. 27, 2007
Calvin K. Keyler	33°	Aug. 27, 2007

MERITORIOUS SERVICEAWARD RECIPIENTS (Living)

(Showing Valley membership and date of election)

Peter G. Huntsman	33°	Montpelier	June 09, 1969
Edward W. Perkins	32°	Windsor	June 01, 1973
Richard E. Fletcher	33°	Burlington	June 09, 1975
John W. Stanley	32°	St. Johnsbury	June 08, 1981
Alexis J. Parent	33°	Burlington	June 08, 1981
Merrill A. Sheltra	32°	Brattleboro	June 13, 1983
Charles H. Shadel	32°	Burlington	June 11, 1984
Richard O. Berry	32°	Rutland	June 10, 1985
Robert J. Willson	32°	St. Johnsbury	June 09, 1986
John R. Campbell Jr.	33°	Burlington	June 08, 1987
David I. Allen	32°	Brattleboro	June 08, 1987
Raymond E. Chapin	33°	Montpelier	June 13, 1988

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(Showing Valley membership and date of election)

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Cedric L. Marshall	32°	Burlington	June 13, 1988
Thomas C. Bailey	32°	Burlington	June 11, 1990
David E. Cumming	33°	Montpelier	June 11, 1990
Roger M. Davis	32°	Brattleboro	June 11, 1990
James C. Adams JR.	32°	Brattleboro	June 10, 1991
Paul K. Southouse	32°	St. Johnsbury	June 08, 1992
Paul H. White	33°	Montpelier	June 08, 1992
Willis J. Morse	33°	Montpelier	June 13, 1994
Kenneth F. Carpenter	32°	Brattleboro	June 01, 1996
Earl J. Miller	32°	Rutland	June 01, 1996
Roland J. Smith	33°	Burlington	June 01, 1996
Paul E. Bacon	32°	Brattleboro	June 21, 1997
G. William Livendale	33°	Montpelier	June 21, 1997
E. Irving Stevens	32°	Bennington	June 21, 1997
Robert G. Coonan	32°	Brattleboro	June 20, 1998
Brent N. Martin	32°	Montpelier	June 20, 1998
Donald C. Brown	33°	Montpelier	June 19, 1999
John R. Conant	32°	Rutland	June 24, 2000
Robert A. Lemnah	32°	Burlington	June 24, 2000
Gary W. Younger	32°	Brattleboro	June 24, 2000
Guy H. Winch	32°	Burlington	Aug. 25, 2001
Richard K. Backus	32°	Montpelier	June 24, 2002
Francis J. McCaffrey	32°	Burlington	June 24, 2002
Kenneth J. Miller	32°	Rutland	June 20, 2003
Johann J. Nortz	32°	Brattleboro	June 20, 2003
Frederick Rayfield	32°	Montpelier	June 20, 2003
Gerald H. Shepard Sr.	32°	Burlington	June 20, 2003
Ronald J. Place	32°	Burlington	June 19, 2004
John T. Colby	32°	Montpelier	June 18, 2005
Robert D. Herdling	32°	Montpelier	June 18, 2005
Floyd G. Jacobs	32°	Burlington	June 18, 2005
Robert H. Steele	32°	Burlington	June 18, 2005
Eugene C. Corliss	32°	Montpelier	June 17, 2006
Russell A. Goslant	32°	Montpelier	June 17, 2006
James W. Parker	32°	Burlington	June 17, 2006
Douglas F. Hildebrand	32°	Burlington	June 16, 2007
Donald T. Webster	32°	Rutland	June 16, 2007

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VALLEY OF MONTPELIER
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VALLEY OF RUTLAND

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Thomas Johnson IV (802) 293-5386 Thrice Potent Master
533 Staples R
Danby, VT 05739

Robert Senn (802) 537-2983 Deputy Master
4076 Rt. 144
Benson, VT 05774-9645

Donald T. Webster (802) 468-3068 Senior Warden
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Castleton, VT 05735

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444 Ghost Hollow Rd P.O. Box 116 Fair Haven, VT 05743		

**ACTIVE MEMBERS OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL, 33°
For the District of Vermont, since the Union of 1867.**

1. George Otis Tyler, 33°

Born at Lowell, MA., September 19, 1837.
Died at Somerville, MA, October 11, 1911.
Honorary member, November 13, 1873.
Active member, August 19, 1875.
Deputy, 1875-1891.

2. Franklyn Haven Bascom, 33°

Born at Shoreham, VT, April 1, 1847.
Died at Montpelier, VT, Nov. 17, 1890.
Honorary member, September 24, 1884.
Active member, September 24, 1884.

3. Marsh Olin Perkins, 33°

Born at Rutland, VT, February 7, 1849.
Died at Windsor, VT, February 10, 1916.
Honorary member, September 23, 1884.
Active member, September 15, 1891.
Deputy, 1892-1916.

4. Henry Lincoln Ballou, 33°

Born at Wallingford, VT, Sept. 22, 1865.
Died at Boston, MA, March 4, 1945.
Honorary member, September 20, 1910.
Active member, September 17, 1914.
Deputy, 1916-1945.

5. Henry Herbert Ross, 33°

Born at Rutland, VT, May 2, 1851.
Died at Rutland, VT, August 8, 1933.
Honorary member, September 15, 1903.
Active member, September 21, 1916.

6. Aaron Hinman Grout, 33°

Born at Rock Island, IL, January 18, 1879.
Died at Burlington, VT, Dec. 29, 1966.
Honorary member, September 20, 1927.
Active member, September 24, 1942.
Deputy for Vermont, 1945-60; 1963-64.
Emeritus, Sept. 30, 1964.

7. James Harold Stacey, 33°

Born at Tolland, CT Feb 28, 1898.
Died at Hanover, NH May 5 1963.
Honorary member, Sept. 29, 1943.
Active member, Sept. 28, 1945.
Deputy, 1960-1963.

8. Waldron Charles Biggs, 33°

Born at Waverly, IA, Mar 31, 1906.
Died at Berlin, NH, July 13, 1988.
Honorary member, Sept. 29, 1954.
Active member, Sept. 26, 1963.
Deputy, Sept. 30, 1964.
Emeritus, Sept. 27, 1978.

9. Neal Louis Cobb, 33°

Born at Putney, VT, Dec. 11, 1904.
Died at Springfield, VT, Mar. 3, 1997.
Honorary member, Sept. 25, 1963.
Active member, October 1, 1964.
Deputy, Sept. 29, 1975.
Emeritus, Oct. 1, 1981.

10. Richard Waldo Parker, 33°

Born at Haverhill, MA, Aug. 22, 1930.
Died at Burlington, VT, May 3, 2004.
Honorary member, Sept. 28, 1977.
Active member, September 28, 1978.
Deputy, September 25, 1980.
Emeritus, Sept. 25, 2001

11. Peter Goodwin Huntsman, 33°

Born at Montpelier, VT, Oct. 5, 1929.
Honorary member, Sept. 28, 1977.
Active member, October 1, 1981.
Deputy, September 26, 2000.
Emeritus, Sept. 3, 2002

12. Richard Edward Hildebrand, 33°

Born at Nescopeck, PA June 6, 1937.
Honorary member, Sept. 28, 1999.
Active member, September 26, 2000.
Deputy, Sept. 3, 2002

13. Frederick Earle Jackson, 33°

Born at Colebrook, NH, June 24, 1934.
Honorary member, Sept. 27, 1988.
Active member, Sept. 3, 2002.

14. Eric Ginette, 33°

Born at Rochester, NY, August 27, 1946
Honorary member, August 30, 2005
Active member, August 29, 2006

HONORARY MEMBERS OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL

(Deceased)

	Received Degree	Date of Death
Phineas Dodge Ballou	June 17, 1870	Jan. 17, 1877
George Otis Tyler	Nov. 13, 1873	Oct. 11, 1911
Levi Underwood	Sept. 19, 1877	Mar. 11, 1902
Milton Kendall Paine	Sept. 19, 1877	Oct. 17, 1896
George Henry Bigelow	Sept. 16, 1879	Mar. 27, 1888
Franklin Haven Bascom	Sept. 19, 1882	Nov. 17, 1890
Frederick Fayette Fletcher	Sept. 23, 1884	Feb. 13, 1890
William Brinsmaid	Sept. 23, 1884	Nov. 27, 1889
Marsh Olin Perkins	Sept. 23, 1884	Feb. 10, 1916
Charles Henry Heaton	Sept. 15, 1885	Mar. 9, 1933
Miron Wilson Johnson	Sept. 15, 1885	Feb. 12, 1889
Howard Fremont Hill	Sept. 15, 1885	Oct. 15, 1924
Charles Jewett Jones	Sept. 20, 1887	Apr. 23, 1889
Frederick Shubael Fisher	Sept. 20, 1887	Mar. 13, 1901
Albro F. Nichols	Sept. 18, 1888	Jan. 15, 1930
Warren Giles Reynolds	Sept. 18, 1888	Oct. 13, 1908
George Harris Kinsley	Sept. 18, 1888	Feb. 6, 1920
John Henry Jackson	Sept. 18, 1888	Sept. 13, 1907
Silas William Cummings	Sept. 17, 1889	Feb. 15, 1916
Sayles Nichols	Sept. 15, 1891	Dec. 29, 1913
Alfred Allen Hall	Sept. 15, 1891	Jan. 21, 1912
George Washington Wing	Sept. 15, 1891	Feb. 25, 1925
Charles Warren Whitcomb	Sept. 20, 1892	Feb. 4, 1929
Robert John Wright	Sept. 19, 1893	Sept. 28, 1907
Daniel Norris Nicholson	Sept. 18, 1894	Apr. 27, 1930
Charles Arba Calderwood	Sept. 18, 1894	June 25, 1916
Jesse Eugene Thompson	Sept. 18, 1894	Nov. 12, 1922
William Henry Hunt	Sept. 18, 1894	Apr. 09, 1895
John Harris Whipple	Sept. 17, 1895	Mar. 20, 1922
Elihu Barber Taft	Sept. 17, 1895	Jan. 13, 1929
Dan Peaslee Webster	Sept. 21, 1897	Mar. 13, 1904
Kittredge Haskins	Sept. 19, 1899	Aug. 6, 1916
Daniel Payson	Sept. 18, 1900	Feb. 9, 1922
Henry Stockwell Root	Sept. 17, 1901	Sept. 13, 1930
Charles Henry Sterns	Sept. 17, 1901	Oct. 12, 1936
Daniel Sylvester Danforth	Sept. 18, 1901	Dec. 7, 1910
Evert Chamberlain Benton	Sept. 16, 1902	Feb. 4, 1924
Hamilton Sullivan Peck	Sept. 15, 1903	Oct. 12, 1933
Henry Herbert Ross	Sept. 15, 1903	Aug. 8, 1933

George Filmore Flanders	Sept. 20, 1904	Oct. 24, 1906
Walter Eugene Ranger	Sept. 20, 1904	Nov. 4, 1941
Olin Weston Daley	Sept. 20, 1904	Oct. 16, 1938
Chilo Lee Soule	Sept. 18, 1906	Feb. 12, 1909
Issac Davis Bailey	Sept. 18, 1906	Dec. 29, 1919
Henry Lincoln Ballou	Sept. 20, 1910	Mar. 4, 1945
Lee Stephen Tillotson	Sept. 19, 1911	July 17, 1957
Edward Louis Bates	Sept. 19, 1911	Sept. 24, 1929
David Adams Elliot	Sept. 19, 1911	Jan. 9, 1935
George Frank Root	Sept. 19, 1911	Mar. 1, 1950
Roy Gesner Tyler	Oct. 1, 1912	Jan. 7, 1927
Fred Herbert Babbitt	Sept. 16, 1913	July 29, 1931
Silas Holyoke Danforth	Sept. 15, 1914	Mar. 19, 1921
Herbert Bates Small	Sept. 15, 1914	July 9, 1953
William Henry Vinton	Sept. 21, 1915	Oct. 22, 1915
Charles Hial Darling	Sept. 21, 1915	Oct. 31, 1944
Frank Jason Martin	Sept. 17, 1918	Apr. 1, 1926
Frank LeBaron Clark	Sept. 17, 1918	Apr. 2, 1920
Charles Howland Jones	Sept. 16, 1919	May. 10, 1955
Lewellyn James Egelston	Sept. 21, 1920	Sept. 6, 1943
Peter George Godfrey	Sept. 20, 1921	Jan. 18, 1952
Christie Burnham Crowell	Sept. 20, 1921	Nov. 1, 1960
Ferris Robert Vaughn	Sept. 20, 1921	Oct. 31, 1928
Major Carl Houghton	Sept. 19, 1922	Aug. 26, 1946
William Henry Herrick	Sept. 19, 1922	Mar. 9, 1931
Howard Henry Shufelt	Sept. 16, 1924	Mar. 11, 1939
Charles Henry Stone	Sept. 16, 1924	Mar. 23, 1943
William John Ballou	Sept. 20, 1927	Mar. 4, 1943
George Irwin Whitney	Sept. 20, 1927	Dec. 5, 1942
Aaron Hinman Grout	Sept. 20, 1927	Dec. 29, 1966
Clarence Durrell Simonds	Sept. 20, 1927	May 11, 1955
Edward Wilber Crannell	Sept. 20, 1927	Sept. 21, 1931
Fred Atherton Field, Jr.	Sept. 16, 1930	June 27, 1936
Charles Frank Dalton	Sept. 16, 1930	Nov. 16, 1957
Zeno Sterry Waterman	Sept. 15, 1931	Mar. 19, 1944
Frank Lane Small	Sept. 15, 1931	Jan. 15, 1944
Archie Sherman Harriman	Sept. 21, 1932	Jan. 8, 1941
Guy Winfred Bailey	Sept. 27, 1933	Oct. 22, 1940
William Henry Collins	Sept. 27, 1933	Jan. 15, 1938
George Meriam Clay	Sept. 27, 1933	June 11, 1936
Fred Williams Whitcomb	Sept. 28, 1938	Jan. 1, 1963
Milton Stacey Czatt	Sept. 27, 1939	Mar. 9, 1979
William Henry Nichols	Sept. 27, 1939	Sept. 25, 1947
John E. Traill	Sept. 27, 1939	Mar. 11, 1970

Harison Aldrich Cooke	Sept. 27, 1939	Apr. 6, 1954	Neal Louis Cobb	Sept. 25, 1963	Mar. 3, 1997
Asa Schoonmaker Bloomer	Sept. 25, 1940	Feb. 21, 1963	Dale Thomas Harris	Sept. 25, 1963	Feb. 2, 1992
John Raymond Temple	Sept. 25, 1940	July 26, 1964	Hilliard Blake Bell	Sept. 30, 1964	Jan. 9, 1973
Ernest William Savage	Sept. 24, 1941	Jan. 19, 1957	Arthur Dale Bishop	Sept. 29, 1965	May.28, 1970
Arthur Garfield Bigelow	Sept. 23, 1942	Mar.28, 1958	Alan Godfrey Kirkness	Sept. 29, 1965	May.28, 1966
John Spargo	Sept. 23, 1942	Aug.17, 1966	Charles Arthur Baker	Sept. 28, 1966	Sept.18, 1975
James Harold Stacey	Sept. 29, 1943	May. 5, 1963	Floyd Melvin Lawton	Sept. 27, 1967	Aug.14, 1975
Perley Conant Voter	Sept. 29, 1943	June 12, 1953	Parker Burnham Blake	Sept. 25, 1968	Aug.26, 1981
Warren Robinson Austin	Sept. 27, 1944	Dec.25, 1962	Robert Gale Spaulding	Sept. 25, 1968	Aug.14, 1991
Elbert Sidney Brigham	Sept. 27, 1944	July 5, 1962	Frederick Clinton Laite	Sept. 24, 1969	Sept.25, 1979
Eleazer Johnson Dole	Sept. 27, 1945	Feb. 22, 1954	Edward Henry Sargent	Sept. 30, 1970	Nov.27, 1978
Charles Bayley Adams	Sept. 27, 1945	Feb. 6, 1961	Welland Symonds Horn	Sept. 30, 1970	July 19, 2007
Orville Niles Kew	Sept. 25, 1946	Oct. 6, 1958	Roger Craig Chapman	Sept. 29, 1971	Aug.16, 1993
Harley Marsh Watkins	Sept. 25, 1946	Sept. 2, 1992	Ralph Ellsworth Berry	Sept. 27, 1972	Jan. 21, 1990
Cady Lewis Earle	Sept. 24, 1947	Nov. 5, 1952	Clayton Eugene Brown	Sept. 27, 1972	Jan. 1, 1984
Arthur Harrison Sprague	Sept. 29, 1948	Mar. 8, 1971	Arthur Edward Gibson	Sept. 26, 1973	Sept.30, 1987
Samuel Howard Blackmer	Sept. 28, 1949	Dec.25, 1951	Carlos Grandy Otis	Sept. 25, 1974	Nov.23, 1994
Charles Lynn Hudgins	Sept. 28, 1949	Feb. 18, 1954	Peter Val Preda	Sept. 25, 1974	Aug 14, 1995
Harry Bigelow Springfield	Sept. 27, 1950	Mar.21, 1957	Cecil Rupert Brown	Sept. 24, 1975	July 1, 1983
Harold Edgar Brand	Sept. 26, 1951	Dec.18, 1974	George Edward Cummings	Sept. 29, 1976	July 31, 1982
Robert Clyde Spaulding	Sept. 24, 1952	Apr. 5, 1953	Hilton Elisha Gale	Sept. 29, 1976	May23, 1978
Dayton Burleigh Smalley, Jr.	Sept. 23, 1953	June 18, 1975	Willard Boyce Farnham	Sept. 28, 1977	April 1, 2000
Jesse Elijah Squires	Sept. 23, 1953	Mar.25, 1992	Richard Waldo Parker	Sept. 28, 1977	May 3, 2004
Waldron Charles Biggs	Sept. 29, 1954	July 13, 1988	Ernest Robert MacDonald, Jr.	Sept. 27, 1978	May26, 2003
Frederick Wells Fletcher	Sept. 29, 1954	Oct. 17, 1966	John Gilmore Patterson	Sept. 27, 1978	Oct. 17, 1991
Forest Ray Adams	Sept. 28, 1955	Jan. 25, 1972	Warren Wesley Pond	Sept. 26, 1979	July 6, 1989
Alexander Martinus Huntsma	Sept. 28, 1955	Mar.16, 1971	Wesley William Daum	Sept. 24 1980	Jan. 14, 2006
Sterry Robinson Waterman	Sept. 26, 1956	Feb. 6, 1984	Angus Alexander Murray	Sept. 24, 1980	Aug.20, 1990
Alton Grover Wheeler	Sept. 25, 1957	Mar.29, 1984	Robert Atwood Farrington	Sept. 30, 1981	Sept 19, 2005
Nelson Strong Hill	Sept. 25, 1957	Jan. 4, 1984	Oscar Donato Garcia	Sept. 29, 1982	Dec.12, 1988
Ernest Nason Harmon	Sept. 25, 1957	Nov.13, 1979	Hugh Morton Marvin	Sept. 28, 1983	Mar. 3, 2008
James Bowman Campbell	Sept. 24, 1958	Mar. 7, 1967	Leslie Francis Lowell	Sept. 26, 1984	Jan. 16, 1987
Earl Smith Wright	Sept. 24, 1958	Oct. 31, 1980	Walter Evertt Greenleaf	Sept. 26, 1984	Feb 19, 2008
Harold Arthur Thompson	Sept. 24, 1958	Apr. 4, 1967	Edward James Wildblood, Jr.	Sept. 25, 1985	Apr. 3, 2002
Frank McCreary Brownell	Sept. 23, 1959	Nov. 7, 1987	Edward Frederick Merrill	Sept. 24, 1986	Mar.19, 2002
Arthur Edward Dietrich	Sept. 23, 1959	Jul. 27, 1976	Norman Tinkle	Sept. 24, 1986	Nov. 1, 2000
Deane Chandler Davis	Sept. 28, 1960	Dec. 8, 1990	Donald Stephen Robertson, 33°	Sept. 30, 1987	Sept 14, 2006
William Whiley Putnam	Sept. 28, 1960	Apr. 5, 1980	Raymond Forrest Sutton	Sept. 25, 1990	Mar.17, 1997
Julius Charles Thomas	Sept. 28, 1960	Apr. 17, 1961	Douglas William Bailey	Sept. 25, 1990	May 24, 1994
Ernest William Gibson	Sept. 27, 1961	Nov. 4, 1969	Richard Conway Curtiss	Sept. 24, 1991	Sept 1, 2006
Newell Dean Rowe	Sept. 27, 1961	Aug. 6, 1987	John Thomas McDevitt	Sept. 29, 1992	Dec. 1, 1998
Clayton Bliss Stewart	Sept. 26, 1962	Aug.28, 1963	David Guy Cunningham, Sr.	Aug. 31, 1993	Mar. 5, 2006
James Wesley Murdoch, Sr.	Sept. 26, 1962	June 2, 1984	Donald William Gerrish	Sept. 27, 1994	Aug.12, 2001
Robert Henri Blanchaud	Sept. 26, 1962	Oct. 19, 1988	Raymond Arthur Wilson	Sept. 28, 1999	Sept. 7, 2002
			Reginald Maurice Cram	Sept. 26, 2000	Aug. 6, 2004

MERITORIOUS SERVICEAWARD RECIPIENTS
(Deceased)

(Showing Valley membership and date of election)

R. Clyde Spaulding, 33°	Rutland	June 11, 1945	Charles A. Baker, 33°	Burlington	June 11, 1959
Arthur D. Butterfield, 32°	Burlington	June 11, 1945	Morris Leventhal, 32°	Montpelier	June 11, 1959
Norman M. Graham, 32°	Bennington	June 11, 1945	Howard R. Remick, 32°	St. Johnsbury	June 13, 1960
A. Gordon Tittlemore, 32°	Burlington	June 10, 1946	Clarence A. Millard, 32°	Rutland	June 11, 1961
Leslie Crane, 32°	Rutland	June 10, 1946	Clayton E. Brown, 33°	Burlington	June 11, 1961
Auston L. Veasley, 32°	Windsor	June 10, 1946	Mario C. Barberi, 32°	Montpelier	June 11, 1961
Jesse E. Squires, 33°	Burlington	June 09, 1947	Lloyd Ellison, 32°	Brattleboro	June 11, 1961
Leon W. Eldred, 32°	Bennington	June 09, 1947	John G. Hutton, 32°	Bennington	June 11, 1962
Richard J. Fitzgerald, 32°	Montpelier	June 07, 1948	William A. Kelly, 32°	Burlington	June 11, 1962
Alexander M. Huntsman, 33°	Montpelier	June 07, 1948	Arnold D. Whitcomb, 32°	Windsor	June 11, 1962
William W. Putnam, 33°	Burlington	June 07, 1948	Elbert T. Kimball, 32°	Montpelier	June 10, 1963
Robert H. Blanchard, 33°	Rutland	June 30, 1949	John G. Patterson, 33°	Burlington	June 10, 1963
Robert Frost, 32°	Montpelier	June 13, 1949	Parker B. Blake, 33°	Bellows Falls	June 08, 1964
Thure A. A. Hertzberg, 32°	Brattleboro	June 12, 1950	Carol J. Cummings, 32°	Bennington	June 08, 1964
Walter E. Lewis, 32°	Burlington	June 12, 1950	John W. Adams, 32°	Burlington	June 07, 1965
Philip O. Vercoe, 32°	Montpelier	June 11, 1951	R. Gale Spaulding, 33°	Rutland	June 07, 1965
David O. Crichton, 32°	Bennington	June 11, 1951	Howard C. Newcombe, 32°	Montpelier	June 13, 1966
Ralph C. Thomas, 33°	Burlington	June 11, 1951	Roger C. Chapman, 33°	Brattleboro	June 12, 1967
John P. Scott, 32°	Brattleboro	June 09, 1952	William C. Lang, 32°	St. Johnsbury	June 12, 1967
Clayton B. Stewart, 33°	Montpelier	June 09, 1952	Hilton E. Gale, 33°	Burlington	June 10, 1968
Frederick C. Laite, 33°	Burlington	June 09, 1952	Arthur E. Gibson, 33°	Windsor	June 10, 1968
Loren R. Pierce, 32°	Windsor	June 08, 1953	Robert B. McKenzie, 32°	Rutland	June 09, 1969
James B. Campbell, 33°	St. Johnsbury	June 08, 1953	Walter E. Greenleaf	Brattleboro	June 01, 1970
Nelson S. Hill, 33°	Burlington	June 08, 1953	William A. Colman, 32°	Burlington	June 08, 1970
Thomas A. Steward, 32°	Rutland	June 07, 1954	Merritt E. Dartt, 32°	Burlington	June 12, 1972
Edward H. Sargent, 33°	Montpelier	June 07, 1954	James E. Kidder, 32°	Windsor	June 12, 1972
Allan G. Kirkness, 33°	Burlington	June 07, 1954	Harold W. Davis, 32°	Montpelier	June 12, 1972
Americo Giudici, 32°	Montpelier	June 13, 1955	Raymond M. Hadlock, 32°	Brattleboro	June 12, 1972
Harold C. Bowdle, 32°	Bennington	June 13, 1955	George J. Covalt, 32°	Rutland	June 11, 1973
Hilliard B. Bell, 33°	Burlington	June 13, 1955	Donald S. Robertson, 32°	Brattleboro	June 11, 1973
Neal A. Murphy, 32°	Windsor	June 11, 1956	Willard B. Farnham, 33°	Burlington	June 10, 1974
J. Herbert Meyer, 32°	Brattleboro	June 11, 1956	Robert A. Farrington, 33°	Montpelier	June 10, 1974
Robert R. Edson, 32°	Montpelier	June 11, 1956	Howard A. Morse, 32°	St. Johnsbury	June 10, 1974
Harold T. LaClair, 32°	Burlington	June 10, 1957	William Beck, 32°	Rutland	June 09, 1975
Francis V. LaVene, 32°	Rutland	June 10, 1957	Malcolm B. Maher, 32°	Brattleboro	June 09, 1975
Arthur W. Hewitt, 32°	Montpelier	June 10, 1957	Angus Smith, 32°	Windsor	June 09, 1975
Dale T. Harris, 33°	Brattleboro	June 09, 1958	Karl A. Grupe, 32°	Montpelier	June 07, 1976
Floyd M. Lawton, 33°	St. Johnsbury	June 09, 1958	Carlo J. Calacci, 32°	St. Johnsbury	June 13, 1977
Harold B. Phelps, 32°	Montpelier	June 09, 1958	Leslie F. Lowell, 33°	Burlington	June 13, 1977
			Warren W. Pond, 33°	Brattleboro	June 13, 1977
			Donald C. Bristol, 32°	Windsor	June 12, 1978
			Oscar D. Garcia, 33°	Rutland	June 12, 1978
			Edward F. Merrill, 33°	Burlington	June 11, 1979
			Norman Tinkle, 33°	Brattleboro	June 11, 1979

Joseph T. Maclay, 32°	Bennington	June 09, 1980
Merle E. Miller, 32°	Windsor	June 09, 1980
Gerald L. Roberts, 32°	Montpelier	June 09, 1980
Gustave B. Westerlund, 32°	Brattleboro	June 08, 1981
Merton C. Kittredge, 32°	St. Johnsbury	June 07, 1982
Rodney R. Van Ornum, 32°	Burlington	June 07, 1982
Harold E. Gordon, 32°	Bennington	June 13, 1983
T. Tod P. Barrie, 32°	Montpelier	June 13, 1983
Ernest H. Behrens, 32°	Brattleboro	June 10, 1985
Francis T. Newton, 32°	Brattleboro	June 13, 1988
Herbert G. Russell, 32°	Rutland	June 12, 1989
Donald W. Gerrish, 33°	Burlington	June 11, 1990
George W. Curry, 32°	Burlington	June 10, 1990
John A. Chapin, JR., 32°	Montpelier	June 10, 1991
John P. Goss, 32°	Montpelier	June 08, 1992
Edward E. Rood III, 32°	Bennington	June 07, 1993
Robert K. Baker, 32°	Burlington	June 07, 1993
Raymond A. Wilson, 33°	Brattleboro	June 13, 1994
William G. Camp, 32°	Montpelier	May 20, 1995
Donald Brayman, 32°	St. Johnsbury	June 20, 1998
Hiram G. Pierce, 32°	Burlington	June 19, 1999
Lawrence H. Carley	Brattleboro	Aug. 25, 2001

VERMONT COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION

COMMITTEES FOR 2008-2009

(First name listed is the chairman)

Deputy and Active for Vermont are ex-official members of all committees.

Condition of the Rite:

ILL Frederick E. Jackson, 33°; ILL Eric Ginette, 33°; ILL Richard E. Hildebrand, 33°.

Constitution & Laws:

ILL Theodore G. Corsones, 33°; ILL David E. Cumming, MSA, 33°; ILL James E. Selleck, 33°; ILL Hugh M. Marvin, 33°, Emeritus.

Credentials:

ILL James E. Selleck, 33°; ILL Palmer E. Martin, 33°; ILL Willis J. Morse, MSA, 33°; ILL Roland J. Smith, MSA, 33°.

Dispensations & Charters:

ILL Palmer E. Martin, 33°; ILL Theodore C. Corsones, 33°; ILL James E. Selleck, 33°.

Finance:

Bro. Michael A. Lunn, 33°; ILL Robert C. Lemnah, MSA, 33°; ILL Charles A. Luciano, 33°; Bro. Donald G. Duquette, 33°.

Meritorious Service Awards:

ILL Earl J. Washburn, MSA, 33°; Bro. Robert H. Steele, MSA, 32°; ILL Paul H. White, MSA, 33°; Bro. Roger M. Davis, MSA, 32°; Bro. Kenneth J. Miller, MSA, 32°.

Membership:

ILL Eric Ginette, 33°; Bro. John S. Parenteau, 32°; Bro. C. Lee Martenson, 32°; Bro. Winfred G. Pike, 33°; Bro. Nathaniel K. Seeley, 32°.

Necrology:

ILL Charles A. Luciano, 33°; ILL David E. Cumming, MSA, 33°; ILL Joseph Jacobs, 33°.

Nominating:

ILL John R. Campbell, Jr. MSA, 33°; ILL Paul H. White, MSA, 33°; Bro. Donald G. Duquette, 33°; ILL Leonard M. Branch, 33°; Bro. William P. Anderson, 32°.

Membership Retention:

The members will be the chairmen of the Valley's Retention committees by default. Since most have not yet chosen a chairman for the year to come, a listing of members is premature at this time.

Inter-Valley Coordination:

The members will be the chairmen of the Valley's Administrative Councils by default. Since most have not yet chosen a chairman for the year to come, a listing of members is premature at this time.

Directors of Work:

ILL Roland J. Smith, MSA, 33°; ILL Eric C. Steele, 33°; ILL Frederick J. Rayfield, MSA, 33°; Bro. Winfred G. Pike, 33°; Bro. Nathaniel Seeley, 32°.

Publications:

ILL. Robert A. Powlus, 33°; ILL Robert C. Lemnah, MSA, 33°; Bro. Douglas P. White 32°; Bro. Johann J. Nortz, MSA, 32°.

Scholarship Awards: (Vote not required at the Council of Deliberation Annual)

ILL Roland J. Smith, MSA, 33°; ILL Frederick J. Rayfield, MSA, 33°; ILL Eric Steele, 33°; Deputy and Active of State.

Secretaries:

ILL James E. Selleck, 33°; Bro. John W. Eckrote, 32°; Bro. Robert M. Gockel, 32°; Bro. Donald G. Duquette, 33°; Bro. James J. Humbert, 32°; Bro. Johann J. Nortz, 32°.

Special Committee on Meetings- Annual & Special:

ILL. Frederick E. Jackson, 33°, Deputy for VT; ILL Eric Ginette, 33°, Active for VT; ILL Cedric L. Smith, 33°, Grand Secretary of Grand Lodge of VT.

Eric Ginette
Active member VT

**COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION
OFFICERS for 2008-2009**

Commander in Chief Ill: Frederick E. Jackson, 33° 17 Pennington Drive, Burlington, VT 05401	862-3441
Commander in Chief Emeritus Ill: Peter G. Huntsman, 33° 18 Fuller Street, Montpelier, VT 05602	223-2896
Commander in Chief Emeritus Ill: Richard E. Hildebrand, 33° 10 Cushing Drive, Essex Junction, VT 05452-4419	482-3622
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