Valley of New Bern Bagpipe



May News Letter

Well summer is almost here. It's hard to believe that the 2013 Biennial Session of the Supreme Council is only four months away. If you plan on attending please inform the Valley Secretary so that we can have have an accurate count on how many are attending.

Maundy Thursday



The Valley of New Bern held its Maundy Thursday

Upcoming Events LOP Meeting

May13, 7:30pm.

Join us for dinner at 6:30PM

CELEBRATE

CELEBRATE - A night of Entertainment, Laughter, and Learning May 18th, 6:00PM Safrit Dinning Hall

Supreme Council

August 23-24 Washington DC

Master Masons Reunion

November 1 - 2

33 & KCCH Conferral

23 November Marriot Center City Charlotte

Allegiance...

The several Bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, sitting in the Valley of New Bern, Orient of North Carolina, acknowledge and yield Allegiance to the Supreme Council of the Thirty-Third Degree, the Mother Supreme Council of the

Observance on April 8th.
The event was well attended and everyone had a enjoyable evening. As
Master of the Ritualistic
Team, I wish to thank all those who participated and made this event the success it was. No one needed prompted and I was told that this years was one of the best. Thanks guys for a superb job!!

World, whose see is at Charleston, in the State of South Carolina, of which Ronald A. Seale, 33°, is Grand Commander, 33°, William B. Brunk, 33°, is SGIG in North Carolina, and William L. Dill, 33°, is Chairman, Inspector General's Advisory Conference of the Scottish Rite Bodies in the Valley of New Bern, Orient of North Carolina.

Valley Web Site

Dale Davis has done an excellent job photographing those Court of Honor members who attended the reunion. Those pictures will begin appearing on the Court of Honor page the week of 13 May. I plan on posting a sample bio on the website for each member to complete. This task should be accomplished sometime next week. Brethren these bios are

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important to the Valley. Each member should have an up to date bio on file in the secretaries office. When it comes time to prepare reunion programs, special occasions, or when family members request Masonic biographical information, a current bio on file is the most effective tool for providing that information. The bio template will appear on the main page under the heading "Membership Forms" immediately following the "Membership Petition". It will be as simple as printing the bio, filling in the requested information, and mailing it to the Valley Secretary. Check it out next week:

scottishritenewbern.org

Advisory Conference Meeting

The Advisory Conference will meet in the meeting room across from the Valley Secretary's Office at 5PM on May 13th. Some of the agenda topics include: an update on the Building Management Committee, the current status of the kitchen renovations, and the planned "Family Day" activities for this summer. The Advisory Conference Meetings are open to all members of the Valley. There is plenty of room to sit on the sidelines and participate in the discussions, however only the Advisory Conference members may vote on the issues.

Lodge of Perfection Meeting

The Valley of New Bern, Lodge of Perfection will meet at 7:30PM on May 13th. Brethren this is

promising to be an interesting LOP Meeting. We will have the drawing for the 42" HDTV.

Strategic Planning Committee

The Strategic Planning Committee will begin meeting again Wednesday May 15th. There is still much to be done. If you have an interest in assuming a leadership position or have job skills that could benefit the Valley please contact the <u>Valley Secretary</u> and volunteer.

Master Mason's Reunion

The Master Mason's Reunion is scheduled for

November 1st & 2Brethren now to start working on candidates for the fall reunion. You presence is earnestly solicited. Set aside the time and mark your calendars. Come, reunite with your Brethren and renew the mystic tie that binds us together. The degrees are impressive however, the fellowship displayed and friendships established will make a more lasting impression on the candidates. Without you the reunion is not complete!

CELEBRATE - A night of Entertainment, Laughter, & Learning Brethern is is an annual event put on by the Supreme Council. It will be streamed live in the Safrit Dinning Hall. There will be light hors d'oeurves served. Come and enjoy this event put on by the Supreme Council in beautiful House of the Temple. Festivities start at 6PM, May 18th. This a floating event, come in, enjoy, and leave at your pleasure.

Degree Masters

Time to review the last reunion. Did you make any permanent changes. Do you need any replacements. Contact your team and get them committed for the November reunion. Let the <u>Director of the Work</u> know if you need to make any changes.

Rite Care

The annual fundraiser for <u>Rite Care</u> is here!!! Only a few days left to send in your money or ticket stubs. We still need help cooking and in the plate preparation area. This is our annual charity drive, volunteer and support this worthwhile cause. Call Steve Burgess at 670-5172 to volunteer to help.

2013 Dues

Just a reminder to those procastinators among us, that 2013 dues were due in January. There are over one hundred members who have not paid this year's dues. Check your dues card to make sure it says 2013. Our annual budget is based on all members being current in their dues.

Kitchen

The next time you in the Temple Building stop by and see the latest improvements in the Kitchen. It is getting a much needed face lift and will be better able to serve our needs in the future.

Editor

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