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MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF

Brethren,

I would like to thank you for the opportunity to serve The Valley of Scranton as the incoming Commander in Chief. I look forward to service our valley and will do my best to follow in Brother Louis Naro's footsteps.

I hope each and every member will make a personal commitment to attend our meetings and bring a friend.

Remember brethren, you only get out what you put in. Our valley is on its way back to being one of the better valleys in Pennsylvania once again.

With all of our help we can achieve this goal.

Thank you,
Robert J. Walker 32° MSA-CLD

Planning Committee Message

Brethren and Ladies,

If you are reading this message, congratulations you did not throw it away. I am writing this to ask for your help, The Valley of Scranton has come a long way in the past few years, but we still have a long way to go. There are many ways you can help. Participation is the most important. On that note you can participate in many different ways, everyone has a TALENT, what is yours?

Just like Blue Lodge we need officers to run the business of the Valley, actors to perform the degrees, stage crew to execute the degrees, make-up artists and robing room attendants to prepare the actors, Marshalls to guide the candidates, reception committee to greet all members attending the reunions, meetings and functions throughout the year. We also need people to plan these functions, as well as kitchen help to keep us all well fed.

These functions and activities start at the Planning Committee and Executive Board meetings, held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM in the second floor Library at the Masonic Temple. These are non-formal attire meetings, in which all members are welcome to attend and participate. The regular meeting is formal attire and is held on the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:30 PM on the third floor followed by lite refreshments, with the Ladies Auxiliary on the second floor. That's right; your ladies are also welcome to attend.

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Valley Officers 2016-2018

Lodge of Perfection, 14°

Thrice Potent Master
Donald Royce, 32°

Deputy Master
David Sykes, 32°

Senior Warden
Dale Rodgers, 32°

Junior Warden
Gerald B. Cobb, 32°

Keystone Council Princes of Jerusalem, 16°

Sovereign Prince
William Palumbo, 32°

Senior Warden
Manuel Vasquez, 32°

Junior Warden
Thomas Dunleavy, 32°

Keystone Chapter of Rose Croix, 18°

Most Wise Master
Brian Petula, 32°

Senior Warden
W. Scott Muller, 32°

Junior Warden
William Bookwalter, 32°

Orator
Robert Hoffman, 32° MSA

Keystone Consistory, 32°

Commander-in-Chief
Robert Walker, 32° CLD, MSA

First Lt. Commander
Michael P. Hughes, 32° MSA

Second Lt. Commander
Bernard Golebeski, 32° MSA

Treasurer
John Deprimo, 32° CLD, MSA

Secretary
Willard Ziesmer Jr., 32°

A WORD FROM OUR SECRETARY

Well, another year has passed. I would like to offer my congratulations to all of the out-going officers for a job well done, and best of luck to our new officers for the next two years.

Members, please remember that without your support we could fail as a Valley, so please come out and support these officers at our monthly meetings.

Your support is needed!

Please also join me in welcoming all of our new members into the Valley of Scranton from the Spring Reunion of 2016:

Chavez A. Lill
Glen S. Shifler
Thomas J. Dunleavy
Jeffery A. Tigerd
Thomas J. Drennan
Michael A. Olek Jr.
Christopher S Homer
Robert C. Moore
Darwin L. Shoener Jr.
John J. Kreig III
Gary E. St Fleur
Joseph K. Parker
Enrico J. Galantini
Michael S. Shepard
John A. Acculto

Fraternally,

Willard R. Ziesemer 32°

Please Send Us your EMAIL!!!

In an effort to keep costs down we would like to email you this Courier. Web editions are also available through our website at www.valleyofscranton.org.

We will still send a paper copy to anyone who does not have an email on file, or who prefers to receive the printed newsletter.

To have your Courier delivered as soon as it is created, please email Ill. Brother Lou Naro at lounaro@comcast.net and you will be added to the email list for any Courier correspondence.

Sincerely,

William J. Palumbo 32°

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Scranton PA 18503

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Monday Wednesday Thursday – 10:00 AM to 4:30 PM

Tuesday – 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Friday – 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM

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Message from the Past Commander in Chief

Brethren,

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as your Commander in Chief for the last two years.

I can only hope that you got as much out of the Valley during my term as I did. It was a rough but enjoyable two years for me, and I would like to thank everyone who assisted me during my term.

We as a Valley worked hard to move forward, and get ourselves out of some difficult situations. It is because of every member in the Valley that we are in the good shape we are in now. We made many sacrifices to get here and I think the sacrifices were all worth it.

I am very confident that the new Commander in Chief and the other officers will continue to work hard and move our Valley forward.

I will end this last message by telling everyone that I will continue to do whatever I have to do to help the Valley and I am always available to any member who would like to contact me. My number is 570-466-5584 and email is lounaro@comcast.net.

Thank you again for everything you have done for me and I look forward to many years of progress and enjoyment in the Valley of Scranton.

Thank you,

Louis Naro 33° Past C/C

Cheer List and Planning Committee News

Planning Committee Message

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Besides the meeting we have other family oriented functions such as the Christmas party for members and families, especially the children. We also have the Annual Family Picnic and our Annual Golf Tournament.

This year's Family Picnic is to be held at How-Kola campground in Falls on July 30th 2016, starting at 1:00 PM, the cost is \$12.00 for adults, \$8.00 for children age 6 to 12, free for children under 6. This includes lunch and dinner with refreshments.

The Golf Tournament will be held August 19th, 2016 at Sugarloaf Golf Course and is \$70.00 per golfer, \$25.00 per non-golfer. Please see the attached fliers for more information.

For those members who cannot attend these functions for whatever reason, you can still help and participate by purchasing tickets for our raffles held each June and December.

These fundraisers are absolutely essential along with the dues to keep our Valley solvent and progressing forward.

If you cannot come to the meetings due to illness or living out of town, but have concerns or ideas you can contact me:

Luke T. Schofield
1101 Prescott Ave
Dunmore, PA 18510
Home: 570-342-4955
Cell: 570-335-6409
E-Mail: ambsdr339@aol.com

Fraternally Yours,
Luke T. Schofield 33° MSA-CFD
Planning Committee Chairman

Trivia

Who was the first native born American to be made a Freemason?

Jonathon Belcher was born in Boston in 1681 and graduated from Harvard in 1699. During a visit to England he received his Masonic Degrees in 1704. He went on to become the Governor of Massachusetts and New Hampshire for over 10 years.

Cheer List

Valley of Scranton Hospitalitor Information

Ill. Bro. Fred Katula 33°
fredddgm@aol.com
570-677-2372

Skip Lindenmuth
Jerry Calderone
James Westrack
Hal Shaver
William Albright
Ray Pilch

Brethren,

If anyone knows of anybody that is sick, in the hospital or just needs to show we care and are thinking of them please call or email me their names. I will get a card or gift or phone call to them.

This as a very important project we need to keep up to date. We do not want to forget about our sick or confined brothers and I need your help in finding out who these members are. Also if you know of any Wives or Widows of our members please let me know.

If I missed anyone in this Courier give me a call or email and I will make sure it is taken care of for the next Courier.

Thank you,
Fred Katula 33°
Hospitalitor

Ladies Auxiliary News

Please enjoy the summer and we will see you at the events and our next meeting in September 2016.

The membership in the Auxiliary is dwindling. A lot of the older members cannot make it out to the meetings and your wives are not joining.

Brethren, please speak with your ladies and try to get them to join the Auxiliary, if they join they are sure to enjoy it.



***VALLEY OF SCRANTON ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE
FAMILY PICNIC***

July 30th 2016

How Kola Campgrounds

2236 Falls Road

Dalton PA 18414

Google Maps and GPS will locate as How Kola Camp

Dear Brethren,

Please join us for a family picnic at How Kola Campground.

Lunch will be served at 1:00 PM.

Dinner will be served at 4:00 PM.

Price:

Adults \$12.00

Children 12 and Under: \$5.00

Children 6 and Under: Free

Reservations by MAIL ONLY should be received by July 25th 2016

There will be no tickets sold the day of the picnic.

Questions: Please Call Lou Naro at 570-466-5584

Or

Email lounaro@comcast.net

All reservations should be sent to:

Keystone Planning Committee

c/o Lou Naro

1101 Luke St

Dunmore, PA 18510



Name: _____

Adults: _____ AMOUNT _____

Children Under 12: _____ AMOUNT _____

Children Under 6: _____

TOTAL _____

\$70 per Golfer

Includes:

Green Fees

Cart

Hot Dog on Turn

Pig Roast Dinner

Beverages

PRIZES

Friday 8/19/2016

***Captain & Crew Shot Gun Start
10 am***

SUGARLOAF GOLF COURSE

Contact: Chris Edwards 570-840-8184

With any questions

***Additional Info: \$25 for non-Golfer
Valleyofscranton.org***

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NAME: _____	AMOUNT _____
	TOTAL _____

***Mail Check to
Lou Naro 1101 Luke Ave Dunmore Pa 18510***

Welcome Spring Reunion Class of 2016



Please welcome our newest brethren from our Spring Reunion Class of 2016.

Chavez A. Lill, Glen S. Shifler, Thomas J. Dunleavy,
Jeffery A. Tigerd, Thomas J. Drennan, Michael A. Olek Jr.,
Christopher S Homer, Robert C. Moore, Darwin L. Shoener Jr.,
John J. Kreig III, Gary E. St Fleur, Joseph K. Parker,
Enrico J. Galantini, Michael S. Shepard, John A. Acculto

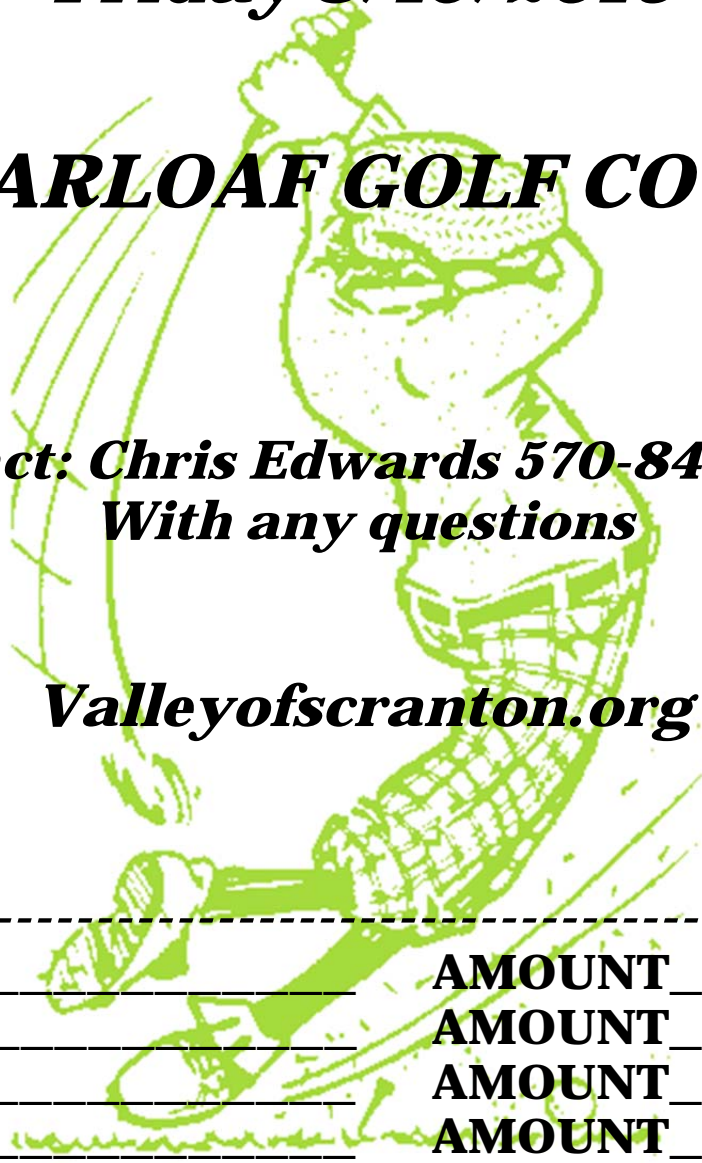
\$25 per Sponsor

Friday 8/19/2016

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With any questions***

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Sponsor:

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