



Valley of Springfield

# SCOTTISH RITE

## ***NOTICE! NOTICE! NOTICE!***

*is hereby given of a*

### ***Most Important Stated Meeting & a Special Meeting of the Springfield Masonic Center, Inc.***

These meetings will take place at the Springfield Masonic Center at 1020 Rickard Road, Springfield on Tuesday, August 2, 2005. **Beginning at 6:00 PM, the monthly meeting of the Board of Director's will take place. At 6:15 PM, the special meeting of the Springfield Masonic Center, Inc. will begin. Following the special meeting of the Springfield Masonic Center, Inc., the August stated meeting of the Valley of Springfield, AASR, will begin.**

The issues to be discussed and voted upon at the stated meeting of the Valley of Springfield, AASR, are, but not limited to:

- 1) **NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION** – A special election will take place on Tuesday, August 2, 2005 at the Springfield Masonic Center for the purpose of electing a Junior Warden to the Chapter of Rose Croix, Valley of Springfield. This notice is given in accordance with article 338 of the Constitution dated 1992. This action is the result of the resignation of **Robert E. Garrett** as Most Wise Master of the Chapter of Rose Croix. Brother Garrett will be pursuing a desire to become a lay minister in his church and feels his training schedule will not allow him to give the position of Most Wise Master what it demands. We wish Brother Garrett all the luck and good fortune with his new endeavor and sincerely thank him for many dedicated years he has provided to the Valley.
- 2) Should the Valley of Springfield, AASR grant permission to the Springfield Masonic Center, Inc. to put on a building addition which will house our newest charitable endeavor and should the Valley provide a portion of the funding to pay for the addition?

The issues to be discussed and voted upon at the special meeting of the Springfield Masonic Center, Inc. are as follows:

- 1) **By-Laws change as follows (changes in italic):** Article IV – Section 2. At the ~~annual~~ *first regular* meeting of the Board of Directors *following the annual meeting*, the Directors shall organize by electing a Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer to serve for the ensuing year ~~beginning August 1.~~ In the event of an office vacancy, the Board of Directors shall immediately elect a successor for the unexpired term. *Until successors are elected, all currently elected officers shall remain in their respective offices.*
- 2) Should the Springfield Masonic Center, Inc proceed with and complete a plan for a building addition to the Springfield Masonic Center, to provide space for a charitable endeavor sponsored by the Valley of Springfield.

The valley is faced with the resolution of these very important issues. Your opinions and vote are important to the leadership of the valley and your participation will be greatly appreciated. Please attend these meetings and help mold the future of the Valley of Springfield, AASR.

**2005 COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION**

The annual meeting of the Council of Deliberation was held in Moline on Friday and Saturday, the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> of June. This year, **Eugene Gyure, Jr., MSA**, was presented with his red cap and jewel, symbolic of being awarded the Meritorious Service Award for 2005. Gene is a past Thrice Potent Master of the Sangamo Lodge of Perfection and has served the valley for many years serving in degrees and on the stage crew. He currently serves as the chairman of the reunion committee. He is very deserving of this high honor and we thank him for his many years of past, present and future service to the valley. Following the banquet and presentation of the MSA awards for the 2005 class, the MSA award winners for 2006 were announced. For the Valley of Springfield, **Gerry L. Williams** will receive the MSA Award for 2006. Gerry is also a past Thrice Potent Master and has performed in many degrees over the years. Please join me in congratulating both Gerry and Gene and thank them for their outstanding contributions to the valley.

**UPCOMING VALLEY EVENTS**

- The annual Valley of Springfield Golf Outing has been scheduled for Sunday, September 25, 2005 at the Crane Creek Golf Course in Kilbourne, IL. This outing is open to non-members of the valley as well as members. Tee off time will be 11:00 AM and the cost will be \$50.00 per golfer. A dinner following the tournament will be served however the menu has yet to be decided. Please contact the valley office to register for the outing.
- The Valley of Springfield Fall Reunion will be Friday and Saturday, October 14 & 15. The degrees to be presented are the 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> & 32<sup>nd</sup>. The valley is always looking for a few good men....actually a lot of good men. A lot of help is always needed to put on these reunions and any will be appreciated. If you can help in any capacity, please call the valley office. We need degree workers, stage hands, greeters, etc., etc. Most importantly, by the way, your candidates. Sign them up now for the adventure of a lifetime!

**WE HAD FUN, GOOD FOOD & FELLOWSHIP**

And if you weren't there, you missed it. Of course I'm talking about the annual Scottish Rite Family Picnic held June 11<sup>th</sup> at the Masonic Center. Compliments of the Chapter of Rose Croix, a whole lot of good fun and good food was served up. Some folks tried swinging a golf club, some folks played volley ball or tossed washers. Some folks just sat around and talked. But what ever their choice, they all enjoyed a pleasant afternoon. And the food was good! Hamilton's Catering served BBQ ribs and chicken that were just outstanding. Having become somewhat of a tradition at this event, the Trivia Contest brought the picnic to a close. The defending 2-time champion was finally dethroned as the Queen of Worthless Knowledge & Insignificant Fact. Vicki Walls, lady of our Executive Secretary, **Steve Walls**, was soundly beaten by Kirk & Lisa Eberding, who received 2 tickets to the Muni Opera. Cheer up Vicki; at least I didn't make you sing this year. Officers of Rose Croix – Good Job! Thank you for a job well done. I am already working on next year's questions so remember, "A crocodile cannot stick out his tongue"!

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**SCHOLARSHIP RECEPTION AUGUST 2<sup>ND</sup>**

Forty-nine deserving students will be presented with scholarships for the upcoming academic year. Presentation of the scholarships will take place at a reception commencing 7:30 PM on Tuesday, August 2, 2005 at the Springfield Masonic Center. Refreshments will be served by the Springfield Assembly of Rainbow Girls immediately following the presentations. Please join us in congratulating these, the future leaders of our country. The recipients & their hometown are listed below.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>HOME TOWN</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>HOME TOWN</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>HOME TOWN</u>
<b><u>ABBOTT SCHOLARSHIP</u></b>		<b><u>WILLIAMS SCHOLARSHIP</u></b>		<b><u>PERKINS SCHOLARSHIP</u></b>	
Christopher Howse	Assumption	Molly McLay	Sherman	Phillip Botrell	Mt. Auburn
Michelle Lauchner	Springfield	<b><u>GRAND LODGE SCHOLARSHIP</u></b>		<b><u>HARRY F. WILSON SCHOLARSHIP</u></b>	
Angela Osborne	Decatur	Tara Hamlin	Springfield	Jill Starkey	Springfield
Ashley Walker	Rochester	Emily Nelms	Mason City		
<b><u>SHERWOOD and EVELYN KRESIN SCHOLARSHIP</u></b>					
Lindsay Ruddock	Taylorville				
<b><u>HEALTH SCHOLARSHIPS</u></b>					
Kristina Allen	Taylorville	Bradley Eller	Earlville	Rachel Redenius	Sherman
Laura Baker	Lincoln	Nicole Ginos	Coffeen	Scott Resetar	Taylorville
Lyndsi Baker	Sherman	Jennifer Jensen	Taylorville	Natalie Schick	Clinton
Lyndi Beeman	Springfield	Nicole Larson	Sherman	Danielle Schnitz	Pana
Lindsay Bell	Beardstown	Amanda Lindsay	Athens	Yoli Six	Franklin
Robert Blackwell	Decatur	Kelsy Mason	Jacksonville	Lindsey Skelton	Lincoln
Nicole Buckles	Loami	Megan Nolan	Taylorville	Amanda Solliday	Taylorville
Natasha Burgener	Divernon	Noor Obaisi	Lincoln	Kathleen	Springfield
Megan Calandro	Taylorville	Katherine Oglesby	Mt. Pulaski	Sonneborn	Springfield
Kendra Chapman-Small	Springfield	Amy Patterson	Dawson	Aimee Spurgeon	Taylorville
Melissa Christen	Cantrall	Mary Ann Pedigo	Galesburg	Kristin Stevens	Rockford
Andrea Cross	Emden	Christine Peltier	Havana	Julie Vorst	Springfield
Jessica Dobece	Pleasant Plains	Samantha Perkins	Kincaid	Andrew Whitehead	Carlinville
				Abby Williams	Pana

**SMC, INC. WISH LIST**

The Springfield Masonic Center, Inc. Board has agreed to publish every so often a "WISH LIST" of items that we would like to see included in the Springfield Masonic Center. This also gives a unique opportunity to anyone or group that might like to make a donation for someone or in someone's memory for a complete project.

If you are interested in participating in this program, please contact the Scottish Rite Office for instructions.

Current Wish List Items: (costs approximate)

Ceiling Fans – Lodge Room	\$ 3000.00
Further Lighting – Lodge Room	\$ 3500.00
Sofa Tables for Hall and Lobby each (3 requested)	\$100-150
Refrigerator for Pantry	\$ 750.00
Alarm Systems upgrade	\$ 2500.00
Parking Lot Overlay	\$ 30,000.00

**22° PRACTICE**

For all those interested in the only "SINGING" degree done in Scottish Rite, the Valley of Springfield will be portraying the 22<sup>nd</sup> Degree this fall at our Reunion. Cast members from previous years are being contacted, as well as new talent being recruited. If you are interested, please contact **Brother Bill Graber, MSA**, Director at 529-1743 or call the Scottish Rite Office at 793-7728 and leave a message for Bill.

This is a unique degree, that doesn't require operatic ability. We are looking for anyone who can carry a tune, regardless of the size of the bucket; or anyone who thinks their shower is Carnegie Hall! This will be a fun endeavor as well as another step for those needing their "Master Overseer" medallion.

We also need an accompanist or a piano player who is a member of the Valley! Call now to help out with this degree.

**VALLEY CALENDAR**

<b><u>JULY</u></b>		<b><u>OCTOBER (CON'T)</u></b>	
19	SMC, Inc.	7:00 PM	14 Fall Reunion
<b><u>AUGUST</u></b>			15 Fall Reunion Continues
2	Board of Directors	6:45 PM	18 SMC, Inc.
	Stated Meeting	7:30 PM	
	Scholarship Recipient Reception		<b><u>NOVEMBER</u></b>
16	SMC, Inc.	7:00 PM	1 Board of Directors
28	Supreme Council (Grand Rapids)		Stated Meeting
29	Supreme Council Continues		15 SMC, Inc.
30	Supreme Council Continues		24 Thanksgiving
<b><u>SEPTEMBER</u></b>			<b><u>DECEMBER</u></b>
5	Labor Day		6 Board of Directors
6	Board of Directors	6:45 PM	Stated Meeting
	Stated Meeting	7:30 PM	20 SMC, Inc.
20	SMC, Inc.	7:00 PM	25 Merry Christmas
25	Golf Outing <i>(see article)</i>		31 New Year's Eve
<b><u>OCTOBER</u></b>			<i>Please celebrate responsibly!</i>
4	Board of Directors	6:45 PM	<b><u>JANUARY 2006</u></b>
	Stated Meeting	7:30 PM	3 Board of Directors
7	Grand Lodge		Stated Meeting
8	Grand Lodge Continues		17 SMC, Inc.



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