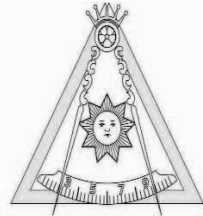


Valley of Pittsburgh Spring Class – April 8 and 9, 2011



Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry

Northern Masonic Jurisdiction - United States of America



To the Officers and Members of:

Gourgas Lodge of Perfection, 14°
 Pennsylvania Council of Princes of Jerusalem, 16°
 Pittsburgh Chapter of Rose Croix, 18°
 Pennsylvania Consistory, S. P. R. S., 32°

SITTING IN THE VALLEY OF PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

Date _____

3579 Masonic Way, Pittsburgh, PA 15237-2700 • 412-939-3579 • www.valleyofpittsburgh.org

I, the undersigned hereof, respectfully show that I am desirous of being admitted as a member of your honorable Bodies and request that I may be received among you, and that I will ever pray for the prosperity and glory of the Fraternity and the welfare of the Brethren. In making this application I promise on my word of honor that should I become a member of your honorable Bodies, I subscribe to the following Oath of Fealty:

I, the undersigned, do hereby promise on my word of honor, and swear true faith, allegiance, and fealty to the Supreme Council of Sovereign Grand Inspectors General of the Thirty-third and Last Degree of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America, sitting at its Grand East in the City of Lexington, Massachusetts, and will support and abide by its Constitutions, Orders and Decrees. That I will hold allegiance to the said Supreme Council and be loyal thereto, as the supreme authority of the Rite; will hold illegal and spurious every other Body that may be established within its jurisdiction, claiming to be a Supreme Council; and every other Body of said Rite within the same Jurisdiction that does not hold its powers from said Supreme Council and will hold no communication whatever in Scottish Rite Masonry with any member of the same nor allow him to visit any Body of the Rite of which I may be a member; and I will dispense justice to my brethren according to the laws of equity and honor.

And should I violate this, my solemn vow and pledge, I consent to be expelled from Scottish Rite Masonry, and all rights therein and in any Body of the Rite, and be denounced to every Body of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite in the world as a traitor and forsworn. And may God aid me to keep and perform the same. Amen.

When born _____ Place of birth _____ Residing at _____
Month, Day, Year (City, or Town, State or County) (Current Address)

Since _____ Home Telephone () _____ E-Mail Address _____
(Year) (Area Code, Number)

Immediately previous to above address, I resided at _____
(City, or Town, State, Zip Code)

Occupation _____ Employer _____
(Give Title or Name of position or state nature of duties) (If retired give former employer's name)

Business Address _____ Business Telephone () _____
(Area Code, Number)

I have _____ before petitioned for the degrees of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, and been rejected therein. I received the Degree of Master

Mason in _____ Lodge, No. _____, F. & A.M., located at _____ on _____

I am now a member of _____ Lodge, No. _____, F. & A.M., located at _____

APPLICANT'S NAME IN FULL - NO INITIALS - NO ABBREVIATIONS (If you have no middle name, enter, NMN)

(Print) _____
First Name Middle Name or Names Last Name

Mailing Address _____
Zip Code

(Sign) _____ (Date) _____

WE HEREBY CERTIFY THAT WE HAVE EXAMINED THE CURRENT SYMBOLIC LODGE DUES CARD OF THE ABOVE PETITIONER

Recommender Please Sign Name in Full Please print your name Supreme Council No. Lodge No. Phone No. (area code)

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Lodge of Perfection 14°80.00
 Council of Princes of Jerusalem, 16°30.00
 Chapter of Rose Croix, 18°30.00
 Consistory, S. P. R. S., 32°60.00
 Total Fee \$200.00

Make check payable to the order of:
GOURGAS LODGE OF PERFECTION
 ALL QUESTIONS MUST BE ANSWERED IN FULL

Method of Payment

Enclosed find: Check Cash Bank Card in the amount of \$100.00.

Visa MC AMEX Discover. No. _____ Exp. _____



SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY
GOURGAS LODGE OF PERFECTION
GREATER PITTSBURGH MASONIC CENTER
3579 MASONIC WAY
PITTSBURGH, PA 15237
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Schedule of Events for April to July 2011

April

- 01 Abbott Scholarship Applications Due
- 04 Executive Committee Meeting
- 07 Stated Meeting/Dinner/
Entertainment/Ladies Night
- 08/09 Spring Reunion
- 17 Story of Crucifixion at 3pm
Dinner at 5pm
- 30 Fellowship Breakfast \$6 GPMC 9am

May

- 02 Executive Committee Meeting
- 27 Celebration of Education
Recognition
- 28 Fellowship Breakfast \$6 GPMC 9am
- 31 Executive Committee Meeting

June

- 02 Stated Meeting/Dinner/
Entertainment/Ladies Night
Cahal Dunne
- 13 Charity Golf Tournament
Youghioghenny Country Club
- 18 Grand Lodge Quarterly - GPMC
- 24 Meeting in the Hills, Christner's Grove,
Dawson, PA
- 25 Pittsburgh Pirate vs Boston Red Sox
- 25 Fellowship Breakfast \$6 GPMC 9am

July

- TBA Executive Committee Meeting
- 09 Council of Deliberation, Seven Springs
- 29 Wild Things Baseball, Washington, PA
- 30 Fellowship Breakfast \$6 GPMC 9am

BULLETIN

OF THE SCOTTISH RITE BODIES IN THE VALLEY OF PITTSBURGH
DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA, N.M.J., U.S.A.
Stated Meetings: First Thursday of September, November, February, April, and June

STATED MEETING NOTICE OF THE FOUR COORDINATE BODIES

Officers of the Rose Croix will preside.

Dear Brother,

A Stated Meeting of the Four Coordinate Bodies of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry in the Valley of Pittsburgh, PA will be held at the Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center

THURSDAY, April 7, 2011 at 7:30 P.M.

Business will be transacted by the Lodge of Perfection, 14°; Council of Princes of Jerusalem, 16°; Chapter of Rose Croix, 18°; and Pennsylvania Consistory, 32°

By Order of: DAVID W. MORGANS, 32°, Thrice Potent Master
DAVID E. KEARNS, 32°, Sovereign Prince
JEFF A. BIDDLE., 32°, Most Wise Master
JOHN A. HABEL, JR., 33°, Commander-in-Chief

Attest: DONALD M. MURPHY, 33°, *Secretary*

By Order of: Mark Matyas, *Chairman*
The Reception Committee will serve at the stated meeting

By Order of : Vince Monardo, 32°. *Chairman*
The Safety Committee will serve at the stated meeting

By Order of : Kenneth J. Faub, R.N., 33°, *Chairman*
The Medical Committee will serve at the stated meeting

THIS WILL BE LADIES NIGHT

**ALL MEMBER AND THEIR LADIES ARE INVITED TO JOIN
THE OFFICERS FOR DINNER PRIOR TO THE MEETING AT \$10 PER PERSON
AND DESSERT FOLLOWING THE MEETING**

Dinner from 6:00 -7:00 p.m.

Entertainment at 7:00 p.m.

BILLY PRICE

Entertainment provided by the Valley of Pittsburgh

RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST

CALL 412-939-3579 by cut off date of Tuesday before meeting



Spes Mea In Deo Est

Valley of Pittsburgh

Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry
Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center



Golfing for Charity

An Open Letter to Valley Members from the Valley Golf Committee

March 2011

Wednesday, June 13, 2011
Youghioghenny Country Club
1901 Greenock Buena Vista Road
Elizabeth Township, PA 15135
Registration at noon and Dinner at 6 p.m.

Dear Valley Member:

We, the members of the Valley Golf Committee, are requesting your help to make the 2011 Valley of Pittsburgh Charity Golf Tournament a great success. Please join us in our charitable mission.

The yearly Golf event brings Brethren together for a fun-filled afternoon of fellowship and golf, while benefiting the Children enrolled in the **Pittsburgh Children's Dyslexia Center** (a 501 C (3) charity) operated by the Valley of Pittsburgh.

Last year, we netted over \$14,000 toward the annual fund-raising goal of \$75,000 to help fund the \$125,000 budget necessary to operate the Dyslexia Center for one year.

Please do your part in making personal contacts in securing Golf Event Sponsors and/or Dinner Program Ad sales with Lodges and members, as well as friends and family members. Event Sponsorships and Program Advertising details are listed in the March issue of the *Rite News*. Time is of the essence, as the June 13th Golf date at the Youghioghenny Country Club will be here very quickly.

Our goal is \$20,000 – this can be easily attained if each Lodge in our Valley area would support our cause with a \$100 contribution or the best they can contribute. Those contributions coupled with other fund-raising activities will help accomplish our goal.

Thank you for your dedicated efforts and Brotherly stewardship in support of the **Pittsburgh Children's Dyslexia Center** operated by you, the members of the Valley of Pittsburgh.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Dave

David W. Morgans, *Chairman*
Thrice Potent Master

Douglas L. Heinz
Jonathan D. Ballinger
Robert J. Lorenz, Jr.
Robert J. Slater, Jr.
Paul J. Roup
D. William Roberts
Donald M. Murphy

- Charity Golf for Dyslexia Reservation Form -

Enclosed is my check, payable to **Children's Dyslexia Center Golf Tournament** in the amount of \$_____ for: Golf, \$110 per golfer Dinner Only, \$30

Sponsorship \$_____ Donation \$_____

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Ph. () _____

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Ph. () _____

Mail reservations by **June 1, 2011**, with check, to Charity Golf Tournament, 3579 Masonic Way, Pittsburgh, PA 15237. **Questions? 412-939-3579.**

The Annual Valley of Pittsburgh
Baseball Outing at PNC Park
Saturday, June 25th at 7:05 pm

Infield box seats with tailgate party at 5:30 pm

FIREWORKS NIGHT!!!

Pirates vs Red Sox

DEADLINE IS
JUNE 3rd!!!!!!

Please include a stamped, self-addressed Long #10 envelope for return of game tickets and directions to the tailgate party. Tickets will be mailed 2nd week in June.

MAIL TO: AASR - GREATER PITTSBURGH MASONIC CENTER

3579 MASONIC WAY, PITTSBURGH, PA 15237-2700

OR CALL: 412-939-3579

Enclosed is my check in the amount of \$ _____ for _____ person (s) (\$27/person)

Print Name: _____ Phone: _____

TICKETS MUST BE PAID FOR IN ADVANCE!

NO MONEY! NO TICKET!

TICKETS PURCHASED ON FIRST COME BASIS
ONLY 41 TICKETS AVAILABLE!!!



An Evening of Fun Baseball

Friday, July 29th at 6:35 p.m.

CONSOL Energy Park, Washington, PA

Michigan Kalamazoo Kings vs Washington Wild Things

WASHINGTON



BASEBALL WITH A NEW ATTITUDE!

Your ticket includes a tailgate party in the pavilion at the far end of the parking lot from 5:30 p.m. 'til game time, a reserved seat and post-game fireworks display.

- Picnic Menu -

Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Crispy Potato Chips, and Soft Drinks

Send check payable to Lodge of Perfection, to A.A.S.R., 3579 Masonic Way, Pgh, PA 15237

Please enclose a stamped, self-addressed #10 long envelope for return of tickets & directions.

WILDTHINGS—Friday, July 29th

Enclosed is my check for \$ _____ for _____ tickets @ \$10 each

Name _____ Phone No. _____

THE FOLLOWING ADMENDMENT TO OUR RULES AND REGULATIONS WAS PROPOSED AT THE FEBRUARY 3, 2011 STATED MEETING. THE RESOLUTION WILL BE VOTED ON AT THE APRIL 7, 2011 STATED MEETING.

RESOLVE TO CHANGE SECTION 42 OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING:

DUES

Section 42. The annual dues, payable in advance on the first day of August of each year, shall be as follows:

(a) For those members who belong to Gourgas Lodge of Perfection, dues in the amount of Sixty five dollars (\$65.00) for the 2011-2012 year shall be payable in Gourgas Lodge of Perfection. For the 2012-2013 year the dues shall be seventy dollars (\$70.00). For the 2013-2014 year the dues shall be seventy five dollars (\$75.00). For the 2014-2015 year the dues shall be eighty dollars (\$80.00).

(b) For those who belong to a Lodge of Perfection in a Valley other than Pittsburgh, but have membership in Pennsylvania Council of Princes of Jerusalem, the Pittsburgh Chapter of Rose Croix and the Pennsylvania Consistory dues in the amount of forty one dollars (\$41.00) for the 2011-2012 year shall be payable to the Gourgas Lodge of Perfection. For the 2012-2013 year the dues shall be forth four dollars (\$44.00). For the 2013-2014 year the dues shall be forty seven dollars (\$47.00). For the year 2014-2015 the dues shall be forty nine dollars (\$49.00).

(c) For those who belong to a Lodge of Perfection and Council of Princes of Jerusalem in a Valley or Valleys other than Pittsburgh, but have membership in Pittsburgh Chapter of Rose Croix and Pennsylvania Consistory, dues in the amount of twenty eight dollars (\$28.00) for the 2011-2012 year shall be payable to the Gourgas Lodge of Perfection. For the 2012-2013 year the dues shall be thirty dollars (\$30.00). For the 2013-2014 year the dues shall be thirty two dollars (\$32.00). For the 2013-2014 year the dues shall be thirty five dollars (\$35.00)

(d) For those who belong to a Lodge of Perfection, Council of Princes of Jerusalem and Chapter of Rose Croix in a Valley or Valleys other than Pittsburgh, but have membership in Pennsylvania Consistory, dues in the amount of eighteen dollars (\$18.00) for the 2011-2012 year shall be payable to the Gourgas Lodge of Perfection. For the 2012-2013 year the dues shall be nineteen dollars (\$19.00). For the 2013-2014 year the dues shall be twenty one dollars (\$21.00). For the year 2014-2015 the dues shall be twenty three dollars (\$23.00).

May 27th Celebration of Education Recognition Dinner.

We will honor students who excel in school on two different levels. First, we will honor 7th and 8th grade students who chose to enter our 500 word essay contest on “What My Family Means to Me” and have demonstrated outstanding skills and commitment.

Secondly, we will give several Abbott and Valley Scholarships to individuals pursuing college degrees.

Eligibility for scholarships: A currently enrolled freshman, sophomore, junior or senior at an accredited college or university with a transcript of grades. A minimum grade point average of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale. (Freshman scholarships will be distributed after an acceptable GPA is submitted, following the first semester.) A child or grandchild of a member in good standing of the Valley of Pittsburgh. Membership in Masonry, a Masonic Youth group or a graduate of a 32nd degree Masonic Learning Center is not a requirement for receiving this award, but it is a significant advantage. Be sure this is noted, as this can be a deciding factor when candidates have similar needs and academic qualifications. **Call our office at 412-939-3579 for an application to be mailed to you no later than March 15th** OR, go to this link to print a copy of the application: <http://www.childrenslearningcenters.org/SCHOLARNEW.pdf> . **Cut-off date for applications to be received in the Valley office is APRIL 1st (no exception).**

STORY OF THE CRUCIFIXION



You are invited to attend the observance of the “Story of the Crucifixion” at the Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center on Palm Sunday, April 17th, at 3:00 p.m. The enactment will be sponsored by the present and past officers of Pittsburgh Chapter of Rose Croix with Jeff Biddle, 32°, Most Wise Master presiding. This presentation presents a very special opportunity to invite both family and friends to a inspirational production by the Valley degree workers. The observance will be at no cost and will be followed by a dinner that will be served after the performance at a cost of \$10/person. Reservations for dinner must be made with the receipt of a check prior to the performance. Deadline for reservations must be made by Thursday, April 14th in order to provide seating.

STORY OF THE CRUCIFIXION DINNER RESERVATION

April 17th at 3:00 pm

Make check payable to Gourgas Lodge of Perfection Tickets may be picked up at the door.

MAIL TO: AASR – GREATER PITTSBURGH MASONIC CENTER
3579 MASONIC WAY, PITTSBURGH, PA 15237-2700

OR CALL: 412-939-3579

Enclosed is my check in the amount of \$ _____ for _____ person (s) (\$10/person)

Print Name: _____ Phone _____

Where?: Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center.

When?: Fridays, from March 11th to April 22nd from 5 -7 p.m.

Why?: LENTEN FISH FRY Sponsored by the Islam Grotto

What?: baked or fried fish/chicken with macaroni and cheese, stewed tomatoes, coleslaw, and beverages.

Cost? \$8.50 per person. More questions? 724-375-9909 Rich Roelle.

FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST BUFFET

Join us on the last Saturday of each month from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

March 26, April 30, May 28, June 25, July 30 and August 27



A great morning of fellowship and an excellent breakfast served by the Ohio Valley Rainbow Girls and Steele Valley DeMolay. **The cost is \$6 a person** and is open to all members, families and friends. The Menu will Consist of: Toast, Coffee, Tea and Orange Juice, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon & Sausage , French Toast, Hash Brown Potatoes.



Friday, May 27th at 6 p.m. The Scottish Rite will Celebrate Education.

Join us as we honor these students. Dinner Reservations

DEADLINE IS MAY 20TH

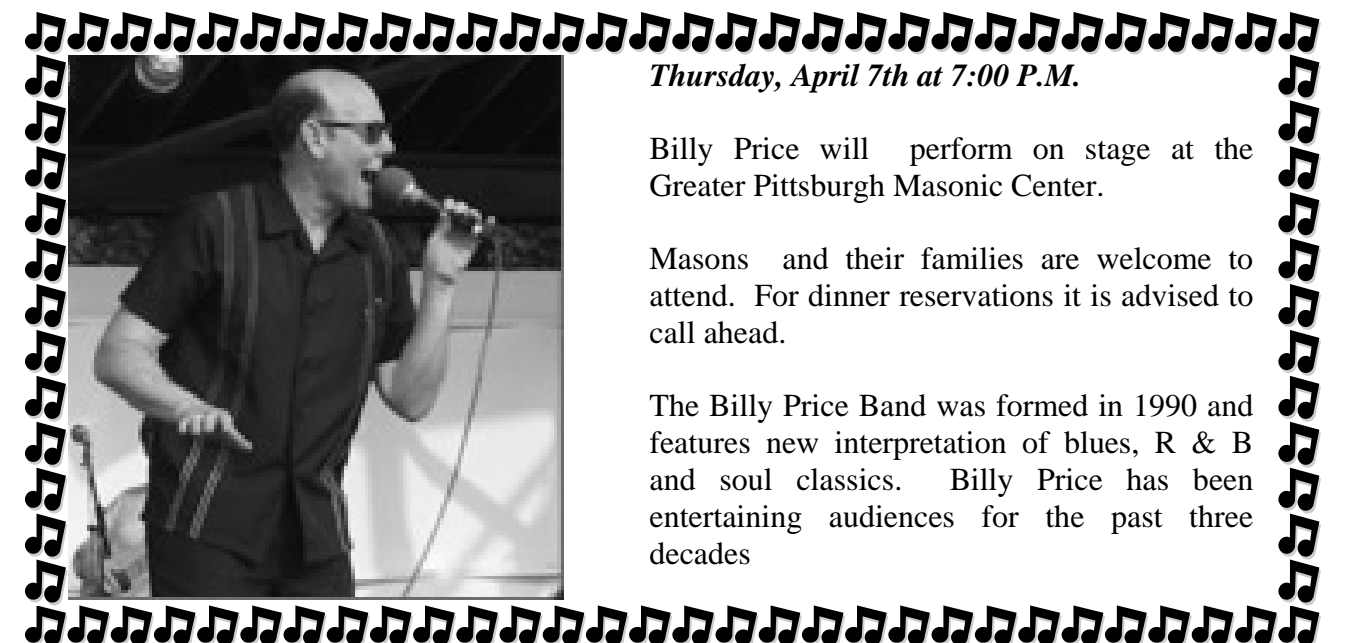
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OR CALL: 412-939-3579

Enclosed is my check in the amount of \$ _____ for _____ person (s) (\$25/person)

Print Name: _____ Phone _____



Thursday, April 7th at 7:00 P.M.

Billy Price will perform on stage at the Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center.

Masons and their families are welcome to attend. For dinner reservations it is advised to call ahead.

The Billy Price Band was formed in 1990 and features new interpretation of blues, R & B and soul classics. Billy Price has been entertaining audiences for the past three decades