



# SCOTTISH RITE REPORTER

VALLEY OF EAU CLAIRE ▲ WISCONSIN ▲ OCTOBER – 2010

## Valley Calendar

### October

- 1-3 Wisconsin Council of Deliberation  
La Crosse All Officers should attend  
23 Fall Reunion Begins

### November

- 6 Fall Reunion Concludes  
Ladies Program – 8:30 a.m.  
15 Executive Committee – 6:30 p.m.  
Regular Meeting – 7 p.m.

### December

- 20 Executive Committee – 6:30 p.m.  
Regular Meeting – 7 p.m.

### January – 2011

- 15 Annual General Meeting: Officer's  
Training, Directors Meeting,  
Meeting of all Bodies  
15 Officer's & Ladies Dinner

### February

- 21 Executive Committee – 6:30 p.m.  
Regular Meeting – 7 p.m.

### March

- 21 Executive Committee – 6:30 p.m.  
Regular Meeting – 7 p.m.

### April

- 2 Spring Reunion Begins  
9 Spring Reunion Concludes  
18 Executive Committee – 6:30 p.m.  
Regular Meeting – 7 p.m.

## From Our Files

**50 Years Ago:** Oct. 1960: Announced that noted Rabbi, Wm. Rosenblum, 33° of NY, NY to be banquet speaker.

**40 Years Ago:** Oct. 1970: Voigt P., Gillett, Jr. 32°, CIC, urges members to attend Blue Lodges and obtain petitions.

**30 Years Ago:** Oct. 1980: Douglas Lundholm, 32°, TPM pointed out that the deadline for petitions is only 3 days before the reunion.

**20 Years Ago:** Oct. 1990: Ill. James G. Plahmer, 33°, CIC announced a plan to reorganize the Valley.

**10 Years Ago:** Oct. 2000: Announced that J. Kevin Johnson and William Cigan elected to receive the 33°.

This is the time to get  
Petitions into the Office

There will be no Nov. Reporter  
Use this issue for Banquet Reservations

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## Don Olds & Les Paulson Elected To Receive 33° In Chicago In 2011



The Supreme Council Annual Session held in late August, 2010 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania elected two Valley members, Donald G. Olds, 32° and Lester C. Paulson, 32° to be coroneted 33° as honorary members of the Supreme Council in August, 2011, in Chicago, Illinois.

**Don G. Olds, 32°**, right in the photo was born in 1942 in Neenah and graduated from Mosinee High School in 1960, and then he earned an Associate Degree in Residential Design from Wausau Vocational Technical School. Don married his high school sweetheart, Anita LaMere, and moved to Eau Claire in 1962 after being hired by H.H. Kleiner Lumber Company. He worked there

for 32 years and then went to work for Crane Lumber Company of Chippewa Falls in 1994 where he remained until his retirement in 2007.

He became a Master Mason in 1994 in Sanctuary Lodge, #347 serving two terms as Master. He was in the Spring Class of the Valley of Eau Claire in 1995. Don has served five years as a Trustee of the Masonic Board of Trustees, LTD. He enjoys coordinating Wednesday Noon Soup with William Arnsdorf, 33° and helping with the Eau Claire Masonic Angel Fund

Don and Anita have two daughters and four grandchildren, Becky, Molly, David, Joe, Ted and Tom. Don enjoys golf, wood working, helping at the Lodge and watching the Green Bay Packers.

**Lester C. Paulson, 32°**, left in the photo, was born during a blizzard in North Dakota on October 29, 1951 when his father drove his mother to the hospital in his Standard Oil bulk delivery truck. Les's mother still lives in North Dakota. He graduated from LaMoure High School in 1969 and obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in Pharmacy in 1973 from North Dakota State University.

Les is married to Carol, who many have come to call "Brother" Carol for all the time she donates to the Eau Claire Masonic Temple. Les has two children; Leslie, who lives in Sterling, Virginia with her family, husband Steve and son Calvin, age 12; and Cole who lives in Oakland, California.

Les was raised a Master Mason in Eau Claire Lodge, #112 in 1978, and was Master in 1982. He is a dual member with Chippewa Falls Lodge, #176, most recently serving as current Master. He was dubbed a Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret in the Spring Class of 1979. In the Scottish Rite, Les has worked in the choir, wardrobe, directed the old 19°, is one of the chaplains in the 23°, and has occupied most parts in the 31° including Prince Commander and Constans. A life member of the Mehara Shrine Club, Les walked the hot sands to the Shrine in June of 1979. He is a York Rite and Red Cross of Constantine member. Les serves as a Trustee for the Valley of Eau Claire and is President of the Masonic Board of Trustees, LTD which manages the Eau Claire Masonic Temple.



**COMMANDER  
IN CHIEF'S  
CORNER**



**Thanks For  
the Memories**

**Greetings  
Brethren,**

Thanks for the memories. My time as Commander In Chief has come to its end and I say thank you for the time I was allowed to serve this Valley. As every past CIC has hoped, I hope too, that I leave the Valley in as

good, if not better shape than when I began my term. I was truly blessed with a corps of officers that were dedicated to the Valley and served well. Many friendships were made in my years of traveling for meetings and reunions. I cherish each and every one of them. Special thanks to Sterling, Jim and Paul, who helped make my life a whole lot easier. To all you Brethren, thank you for having faith in me.

Congratulations to the incoming officers. Remember that you will be installed on November 6<sup>th</sup>, please make every effort to be in attendance. These officers will need our continued support to keep this Valley growing and prospering. Remember, this is your Valley, not just those that are in the offices. Everyone's input is needed to make this Valley thrive.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our Fall Reunion, Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> and Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>. This is the first time with our new format. The Ladies Program on Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> looks very interesting and note the information in the Reporter, so I hope Ladies register early.

The Learning Center is progressing very well. Some remodeling is already underway. Stop down and see what is happening. Randy and his committee have worked very hard to get this task accomplished. Financial support of our Learning Center is encouraged.

Once again, thank you for the honor and privilege to have served this Valley as Commander In Chief.

**Fraternally,  
Ken Pelo, 32°  
Commander in Chief**

***Dues Are Now Due***

Thank you, to the many, many of you have been so prompt in paying your dues for the new dues year (August 1, 2010 through July 31, 2011) since the dues cards were mailed in July, 2010. If you received your membership card, it means you paid *last* year, and your dues are now due. If you received a dues noticed without a membership card, it means you are not current with one or more past years. Please bring yourself current. 2<sup>nd</sup> notice statements will go out soon. If your payment & the 2<sup>nd</sup> notice cross in the mail, please disregard the 2<sup>nd</sup> notice.

**Roger A. Bischoff, 32°, Valley Treasurer**

**Fall Reunion  
Schedule**

All degrees are in the auditorium except those shown in *italics* which are in the large lodge room

**Saturday – October 23, 2010**

- 7:30 AM Coffee & Donuts
- 8:00 AM Class Registration
- 9:00 AM Ceremonial Opening - All Bodies
- 10:00 AM **4<sup>th</sup> Degree: Master Traveler**
- 10:30 AM Communicate 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Degrees
- 10:45 AM **12<sup>th</sup> Degree: Master of Mercy**
- 11:20 AM Communicate 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 13th Degrees
- 11:30 AM **Lunch**
- 12:15 PM **14<sup>th</sup> Degree: Grand Elect Mason**
- 1:10 PM Break
- 1:15 PM **15<sup>th</sup> Degree: Knight of the East**
- 2:15 PM Communicate 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> Degrees
- 2:30 PM **18<sup>th</sup> Degree: Knight of the Rose Croix**
- 3:15 PM Communicate 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> Degrees
- 3:30 PM **25<sup>th</sup> Degree: Master of Achievement**

**Saturday – November 6, 2010**

- 8:00 AM Donuts & Coffee
- 8:30 AM **Ladies Program**
- 8:55 AM Class Assembly
- 9:00 AM Presentation by the Active Member of The Supreme Council & Director of the Work
- 9:35 AM Class Picture
- 10:00 AM **24<sup>th</sup> Degree: Brother of the Forest**
- 10:45 AM Break
- 10:55 AM **30<sup>th</sup> Degree: Grand Inspector**
- 11:45 AM Lunch
- 12:30 PM **Installation of Officers**
- 1:15 PM Break
- 1:15 PM The Life of Mary Todd Lincoln Ladies Program
- 2:00 PM **31<sup>st</sup> Degree: Knight Aspirant**
- 2:40 PM Communicate 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> Degrees
- 2:55 PM **32<sup>nd</sup> Degree: Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret**
- 4:00 PM **Reception** Cocktails & Hors d' Oeuvres
- 5:00 PM **Banquet - CATERED BY SWEETWATERS**  
*New Menu including Prime Rib*

## Ladies Program

November 6, 2010 – 8:30 a.m.

Breakfast, Leinenkugel Brewery Tour,  
Lunch & Mary Todd Lincoln Program



The Ladies will gather at the Eau Claire Masonic Temple at 8:30 a.m. The program will start with breakfast at the Grand Avenue Café followed by a tour of the Leinenkugel Brewing Company in Chippewa Falls with an opportunity to browse the gift shop. Following Lunch, the Ladies Program continues at 1:25 p.m.

with a story high-lighting “The Life of Mary Todd Lincoln” to be presented upstairs in the small lodge room by Lew Mallow, which is an illustrated story consisting of historical photos and interesting narrative.

Reservations are necessary. Please reserve your place in this fun day by calling 715.832.7759 by November 1<sup>st</sup>

## Abbott Scholarships Announced



Four area students in the Valleys of Eau Claire and LaCrosse received the Abbott Scholarship for 2010. Support for this growing scholarship program comes from the Supreme Council Education and Charity Fund established through the generous legacy of former

Sovereign Grand Commander Leon M. Abbott and is strengthened each year through the “Blue envelope” appeal. This year’s recipients

include Shelby M. O’Reilly, shown above, a graduate of Memorial High School and is attending UW-Milwaukee. She is the daughter of Greg and Mary O’Reilly of Eau Claire. Katelynn J. Hill is a graduate of Onalaska High School and is attending the University of Minnesota. She is the daughter of Rodney and Diane Hill of Onalaska. Lindsey Levassieur, shown right is a graduate of Memorial



High School, is attending UW-Milwaukee and is the granddaughter of Marv and Lois Missman. Frances R. Jordahl, shown left, is a graduate of Eleva-Strum High School and is attending UW-Eau Claire. She is the daughter of James and Patrice Trowbridge of Eleva. Abbott Scholarships are given to the children of Scottish Rite Families and to graduates of our 32° Learning Centers for

children. A total of 352 students in the Northern Jurisdiction received the scholarships last year and in the 2010-11 academic year \$450,000 in scholarships were awarded.



# REUNION RECEPTION & BANQUET

NOVEMBER 6, 2010

## RECEPTION

OF NEW MEMBERS & LADIES

COCKTAILS & HORS D’OEUVRES

Small Dining Room – November 6, 2010 – 4:00 P.M.

The reception is held in honor of new members – the candidates of the Fall Class & their Ladies. The reception features cocktails, beer, wine, soda & hors d’oeuvres. All Scottish Rite members and their ladies are invited to welcome the members of the Fall Class of 2010.

## BANQUET

IN HONOR OF THE CLASS

Main Ballroom - November 6, 2010 – 5 P.M.

HISTORIC EAU CLAIRE TEMPLE OF FREEMASONRY

CATERED BY SWEETWATERS

CHICKEN CORDON BLEU - \$17 OR BEEF PRIME RIB - \$22

The Banquet honoring our new members and their Ladies will start promptly at 5:00 P.M. in the Historic Eau Claire Temple of Freemasonry Main Ballroom. For over a quarter century Sweetwaters Restaurant has provided fine dining in the Eau Claire area and will be catering the Fall Banquet.

The sit-down dinner will feature a choice of Chicken Cordon Bleu @ \$17 pp. or Prime Rib of Beef @\$22 pp. together with a fresh tossed salad served on chilled plates with Sweetwaters house dressing, garlic smashed potatoes topped with either cheese sauce or rich mushroom gravy, steamed mixed vegetables, warm bakery fresh rolls & butter, coffee and sherbet. Prices include tax and tip.

**Tickets must be purchased by Monday, November 1, 2010.**  
**No Tickets Will Be Sold At The Door.**

## Fall 2010 Reunion Banquet Ticket Order

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

# \_\_\_\_\_ Chicken Entrée # \_\_\_\_\_ Prime Rib Entrée

Send with \$17 per Chicken Entrée and \$22 per Prime Rib Entrée to: Eau Claire Consistory, P.O. Box 345, Eau Claire, WI 54702 so to be received on or before November 1, 2010.

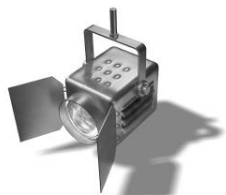


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## SPOTLIGHT ON DEGREE PRACTICES



### Attention All Casts You Are Needed On The Set!

A 30 to 60 minute degree presentation takes many hours of preparation – the quiet hours of memory work and a number of practices. The Work is worthwhile and results in a truly memorable experience for all. It is fun too. It is very important for cast members to be at the degree practices whether your part is large or small. **Please make every effort to be at your degree practices – your cast is counting on you.**

### Degree Practice Schedule

4°	October 17 @ 7pm Eau Claire Temple	24°	(Colonial Section) Oct 7, 21 & 28 Eau Claire Temple	30°	October 18 @ 6:30 pm November 1 @ 6:30 pm Eau Claire Temple
12°	October 14 @ 7 p.m. Wisconsin Rapids Lodge		(Indian Section) Oct. 17 <sup>th</sup> @ 3:30 p.m. Wausau Masonic Center	32°	November 6 @ 2 pm Large Lodge Room Eau Claire Temple
14°	October 11 @ 7:00 pm October 18 @ 7:30 pm Eau Claire Temple	25°	October 1 @ 6:30 pm @ Acacia- Itasca Lodge	Choir	October 23 @ Noon Auditorium Temple
15°	October 13 @ 7 pm Menomonie Lodge		October 16 @ 6:30 pm @ Acacia Itasca Lodge		