



Congratulations – New 33rds



Supreme Council 2023



SCOTTISH RITE SCHEDULE 2023-2024

	DATE	EVENT	TIME	MEAL	LOCATION for 2023-24
September	9/11/2023	VOLD Meeting	7:00 PM	YES	Endeavor Lodge, Milton
	9/21/2023	Executive Council Mtg	5:30 PM	YES	James St. Tavern, Newport
	9/21/2023	Business meeting / Memorial Service	7:30 PM	NO	Newport
October	10/10/2023	Installation of Grand Master	7:00 PM	NO	Semi-annual (Sands in Rehoboth)
	10/19/2023	Business meeting	6:00 PM	YES	Porky Olivers
	10/21/2023	REUNION #1 (4th, 10th, & 14th degrees)	9:00 AM	LUNCH	818 N. Market Street
	10/22-27/2023	Committee Week	----	----	Lexington, MA
November	11/01-30/2023	SCOTTISH RITE MONTH	----	----	----
	11/1/2023	Veterans Day Event	6:00 PM	YES	Jefferson
	11/3/2023	Flags Distribution	8:00 AM	NO	Veterans Cemetery (Bear, DE)
	11/6/2023	VOLD Meeting	7:00 PM	YES	Endeavor Lodge, Milton
	11/18/2023	REUNION #2 ()	9:00 AM	LUNCH	818 N. Market Street
	TBD	Mixer #1 - VOLD	6:00 PM	YES	La Casa Pasta, Newark
	11/28/2023	GIVING TUESDAY	ALL DAY	NO	WEB - On-line
December	12/3/2023	33rd & MSA Holiday Party	1:30 PM	BUFFET	Exec Banquet & Conference Cntr
January	1/8/2024	VOLD Meeting	7:00 PM	YES	Endeavor Lodge, Milton
	1/25/2024	Executive Council Meeting	6:00 PM	YES	McGlynn's in Dover
	1/25/2024	Business meeting	7:30 PM	NO	Union #7 in Dover
	1/27/2024	REUNION #3 ()	9:00 AM	LUNCH	818 N. Market Street
	2/1/2024	Reception for the Grand Master	5:30 PM	YES	Felton Fire Hall
February	2/24/2024	REUNION #4 ()	9:00 AM	LUNCH	818 N. Market Street
	3/4/2024	VOLD Meeting	7:00 PM	YES	Endeavor Lodge, Milton
March	3/9/2024	Feast of Pascal Lamb	11:30 AM	LUNCH	Union #7 Dover
	TBD	Mixer #2 - VOW	6:00 PM	NO	Mulligan's Point Country Club
	3/15/2024	Brotherhood Night	5:30 PM	YES	Nur Shrine Center
	4/18/2024	Annual Business meeting	7:30 PM	NO	Newport
April	4/21-26/2024	Committee Week	----	YES	Lexington, MA
	4/27/2024	REUNION #5 () and Gala	9:00 AM	YES	Modern Maturity Center
	5/6/2024	VOLD Meeting	7:00 PM	YES	Endeavor Lodge, Milton
May	5/11/2024	VOLD Reunion	8:00 AM	BRKFST	Temple Lodge, Milford
	5/11/2024	Worker's Dinner	2:00 PM	YES	Clayton Fire Hall
	5/17/2024	Charity Golf Outing	11:00 AM	YES	Odessa National Golf Course
	5/18/2024	Council of Deliberation	10:00 AM	LUNCH	Clayton Fire Hall
August	8/19-23/2024	Supreme Council Executive Sessions	----	YES	Lexington, MA

Remember to bring your Membership Card to all events as we will be scanning them into Journey 365 to help build your portfolio and that of our Valleys.

Scottish Rite Executive Cmty. Mtg.



WHEN: Thursday, September 21, 2023
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

WHERE: James St. Tavern; 2 W. Market St.; Newport, DE 19804

WHO: Heads of All Bodies

DRESS: Jacket & Tie



Scottish Rite Business Meeting

WHEN: Thursday, September 21, 2023
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

WHERE: Newport Masonic Temple; 108 E. Market St.; Newport, DE 19804

WHO: Top 3 officers of All Bodies Req, All members welcomed.

DRESS: Jacket & Tie / Cap & Jewel



Top 3 officers in each body . . .

Valley of Wilmington

Lodge of Perfection

- Thrice Potent Master David J. Walters II, 33^o, HGA, MSA
- Deputy Master Scott Christensen, 32^o, MSA
- Senior Warden Greg Correll, 32^o, MSA

Council of Princes of Jerusalem

- Sovereign Prince Stefan F. Darczuk, 32^o, MSA
- High Priest James Alexander, 32^o
- Senior Warden Mark K. Button, 33^o, MSA

Chapter of Rose Croix

- Most Wise Master Gerald C. Brennan, 32^o
- Senior Warden David J. Walters II, 33^o, HGA, MSA
- Junior Warden Robert R. Dion, 32^o, MSA

Consistory

- Commander in Chief William J. Shaw, 33^o, MSA
- 1st Lieutenant Commander Gregory P. Correll, MSA
- 2nd Lieutenant Commander John Eberly, 33^o

Knights of St. Andrews

- Chief Harry L. (Bud) Skinner, 32^o, MSA
- Chieftain Michael Swain, 32^o
- Headsman James Seager, 32^o

Valley Officers

- Secretary James M. Brady, 33^o, MSA, SRMOY
- Treasurer Cesar E. Aniceto, 33^o
- Tiler Stefan F. Darczuk, 32^o, MSA

Valley of Lower Delaware

Lodge of Perfection

- Thrice Potent Master John Badeen, 33^o, MSA
- Deputy Master Eric Evans, 32^o
- Senior Warden Roger Willey, 33^o

Council of Princes of Jerusalem

- Sovereign Prince Carl Wenke, 32^o,
- High Priest Joseph R. Rogers, 32^o
- Senior Warden Gerald Cowan, 32^o, MSA

Chapter of Rose Croix

- Most Wise Master Randy Parsons, 32^o
- Senior Warden James Coulbourne, 32^o, MSA
- Junior Warden Roland Cohee, Jr., 32^o

Knights of St. Andrews

- Chief Gregory M. Vernicek, 32^o, MSA
- Chieftain Roland Cohee, Jr., 32^o
- Headsman Roland Cohee, Sr., 32^o

Valley Officers

- Secretary Jack McDuff, 32^o, MSA
- Treasurer Pat Shearon, 32^o, MSA
- Tiler Earl Sennett, 32^o

Be Part of our Dramatics Group

👤 Director of Work	Bro. Tom Buchanan
👤 Director of Reunions	Bro. Mark Button
👤 Asst. Director of Reunions	Bro. Greg Correll
👤 Staging & Props	Ill. Bro. Jack Foreaker
👤 Costumes	Ill. Bro. Art Loveless
👤 Sound & Lighting	Ill Bros. Dale & Brian Irwin



One of the truly unique opportunities offered by the Scottish Rite is the experience of performing on stage to teach our core values: Reverence for God, Integrity, Devotion to Country, Justice, Tolerance, and Service to Humanity. There are many levels through which one can participate. Of course, there is the obvious role of learning a part and performing it on stage. These come in all sizes from a few lines to major roles. There are also those supporting roles which require no lines to memorize, only positioning and interacting on stage. Then there are those behind the scenes roles such as props, lighting, sound, and stage managing. Whichever level might interest you, know that all roles are important and come together at every Reunion to make Scottish Rite Masonry a truly memorable experience.

Contact [Bro. Tom Buchanan](#) let him know your interest in joining in on the fun. Whether it is a non-speaking part, a few lines, a major roll, or behind the scenes, it is as they say, “there are no minor rolls in theater”. This is one of those “Growth opportunities that masonry is all about. Come on out and elevate yourself and make new friends.

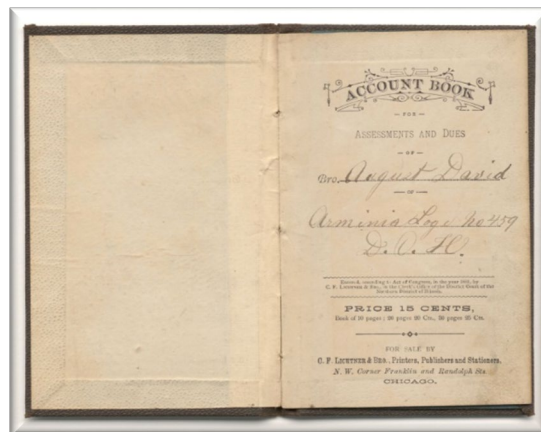
October Reunion

We kick off the 2023-24 Scottish Rite Reunion Series with our first reunion on October 21, 2023. The VOLD will be exemplifying the 14th degree - *Grand Elect Mason* on stage. We will also be viewing the 4th degree – *The Builder* and the 10th degree – *Master Elect* via DVD. We will also be introducing a new educational exchange after the degrees to highlight the lessons and applications to our lives. Mark your calendars and join us on October 21st.



“Let's be really foolish!”

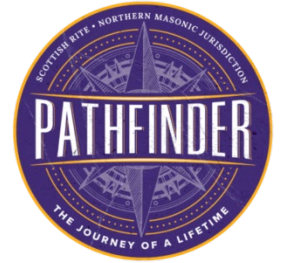
The German Order of Harugari, a German Mutual Aid Society in Early America



The Scottish Rite Masonic Museum & Library recently purchased a collection of fraternal records related to the German Order of Harugari’s Arminia Loge, No. 459. The records, dating from 1882 to 1893, give a brief glimpse into the vibrancy of German culture and brotherhood in Chicago through the lens of August David, the lodge’s Financial Secretary. When twenty-seven-year-old August David immigrated to the United States in 1872, he sought community, advice, and fellowship with other German Americans. The German Order of Harugari, or Deutscher Orden der Harugari, was a German mutual aid society that sought to help German immigrants and to preserve German culture and language.

Read more about this Collection from Arminia Lodge No. 459 on the Scottish Rite Masonic Museum and Library’s Blog off their website, click on the following link to learn more . . . [SRM&L Blog Link](#)

Pathfinder



Have you started your “Journey On” with Pathfinder yet? It is never too late to get started.

Bro. Greg Vernicek kicked off the Pathfinder Club on July 10th, 2023, at Temple #9 in Milford. A dozen brothers attended and got their journeys started. A second meeting took place on August 21st, 2023, at Temple #9 with pizza and lots of informational exchanged that helped to move these brothers’ journeys onward. We will be highlighting Pathfinder mile markers at every reunion and business meeting this year. Be sure to attend and “Journey On”.





Meet Your New Sovereign Grand Commander

Ill. Bro. Walter F. Wheeler

At the Annual Meeting in Louisville, Kentucky, the Supreme Council of Scottish Rite, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction installed Ill. Bro. Walter F. Wheeler as Sovereign Grand Commander. This change in leadership comes on the heels of Sovereign Grand Commander Peter J. Samiec, 33°, stepping down, having committed to a two-year tenure at the Annual Meeting in 2021.

Commander Wheeler most recently served as Director of Charities at Supreme Council, Deputy for the state of Michigan and Active Member for Supreme Council, as well as Grand Treasurer General for Supreme Council.

Commander Wheeler began his journey as a member of Grand Rapids Chapter, Order of DeMolay in 1970. He served as Master Councilor in 1973 and District Master Councilor of District #4 in 1974. He is a holder of the degree of Chevalier, as well as the DeMolay Legion of Honor. In 2012 he was inducted into the Michigan DeMolay Hall of Fame. He is an Active member of the DeMolay International Supreme Council. He is also a recipient of the Grand Cross of Honor from International Order of Rainbow for Girls and the Grand Triangle of Honor from Job's Daughters International.

Commander Wheeler was raised a Master Mason in Grand River Lodge #34 (now Grand Rapids Lodge #34) in 1977 and served as Worshipful Master in 1985. He served the Grand Lodge of Michigan as Grand Master from 2006-2007 and Grand Treasurer from 2007-2010. He holds Honorary Membership in 25 Michigan Lodges. He is an Honorary Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey. Commander Wheeler served as the Executive Director/CEO for the Michigan Masonic Charitable Foundation from 2009-2020.

He has been a Scottish Rite Mason since 1980 and is a member of the Valley of Michigan. He was coroneted a Sovereign Grand Inspector General, 33°, Honorary member of the Supreme Council in 1997 in Grand Rapids. Commander Wheeler was made an Active Member of the Supreme Council in Boston in 2009.

Learn more about Commander Wheeler and our newest leadership at our [blog](#).

Out and About



