



# SCOTTISH RITE

VALLEY OF WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

4TH ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF OUTING—MAY 20, 2011 (EAGLE CREEK GOLF COURSE)

PHILADELPHIA TRIP—MAY 21, 2011

SUPREME COUNCIL SESSIONS—AUGUST 28-30, 2011 (CHICAGO, IL)

## LAST CHANCE—SEATING IS LIMITED EXTENDED CUT-OFF DATE IS MAY 11, 2011

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### SCOTTISH RITE DELAWARE CONSISTORY 2011 TRIP TO THE LIBERTY BELL AND THE FRANKLIN INSTITUTE MEMBERS, THEIR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Call your Secretary for reservations now – seating is limited!!



An ICE event –  
Inspiration, Convenience  
and Enjoyment

**Saturday, May 21, 2011**  
Buses leave from Union #7 and Nur Center

Stand by the Liberty Bell  
Lunch at Pat or Geno's Steaks  
(your only expense)

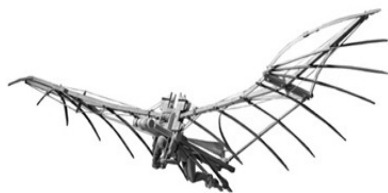


DEPARTS UNION #7 AT 9:00 AM  
DEPARTS NUR TEMPLE AT 9:30 AM  
DEPARTS PHILADELPHIA AT 4:30 PM



Tour the Franklin Institute  
See the Leonardo Da Vinci Exhibit

NOTE: THIS IS A WALKING TOUR



**MEET YOUR NEW SOVEREIGN PRINCE**

**Clarence A. Timmons**



Our new Sovereign Prince is Clarence A. Timmons.

On November 3, 1980, Sovereign Prince Timmons was entered into Jackson Lodge No. 19, in Delaware City. He was crafted in January and raised in February of the following year. Then in 1991, he became Tyler of the Lodge which he did until 1995 when he became the Senior Deacon. From there, he progressed one office upward each year until he served as Worshipful Master from June 1998 through June 1999. Like many Lodges, Jack-

son Lodge has had to fill gaps in their lines with Past Masters and Clarence, who is always willing to help out, served as Worshipful Master again for the terms 2001-2002 and 2006-2007.

During the Grand Lodge year of 1999—2000, he served on the Grand Staff as Senior Grand Steward under Most Worshipful William T. Wadkins, Jr. (one of our three candidates for the 33° in Chicago later this year).

Sovereign Prince Timmons began his Scottish Rite journey in the fall of 1981 when he was elected and received most of his degrees. He completed his 32nd Degree the following Spring of 1982. A half dozen years ago, he started in the Wilmington Council Princes of Jerusalem line until he reached the office of Sovereign Prince.

Our new Sovereign Prince is noted for his quiet and gentle firmness and most especially, for his cooking abilities. He helps cook or supervise most of the meals at Jackson Lodge No. 19 and particularly, the delicious menu of the “Road Kill Café”, the feast to honor each Grand Master.

**CHICAGO** will be the site of this year's annual meeting of the Scottish Rite Supreme Council for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction. Approximately 1,800 Thirty-third Degree Masons and their ladies from 15 north-eastern states are expected at the meeting on Aug. 28-30.

The 2011 Session will be highlighted by the conferral of the Thirty-third Degree upon 173 Scottish Rite Masons who were elected for this high honor at last year's meeting in Philadelphia. The Thirty-third Degree is awarded for outstanding achievement within the fraternity or for significant contributions to others, reflecting credit on Freemasonry. The impressive ceremony will take place on Tuesday, Aug. 30.

Introductory luncheons honoring the Thirty-third Degree candidates and their ladies are on the schedule for Sunday at noon. The Sheraton Chicago Ballroom will be the scene of the traditional Supreme Council Vesper Service during the afternoon.

The Executive Session, attended by the officers of the Supreme Council, will be held on Friday and Saturday, Aug. 26-27.

Sovereign Grand Commander John Wm. McNaughton will preside over a General Session of the Supreme Council on Monday, Aug. 29. In the course of this session, prominent leaders from other Masonic organizations in the United States and throughout the world are expected to be in attendance.

A number of other events have been scheduled, including a Monday luncheon in the River Exhibition Hall of the Sheraton Hotel for our registered guests. That evening, entertainment in the ballroom will feature “The Second City” improvisational troupe for members and their ladies. In addition to the major events sponsored by the Supreme Council, a Masonic Marketplace will allow vendors to offer Masonic-related items for sale.

The 2011 meeting will end with the announcement of the names of those elected to receive the Thirty-third Degree at Cleveland in August 2012. The 200th anniversary meeting is slated for Washington, DC, in 2013.



**MEET YOUR NEW COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF**

**Ill Carl H. Cox, 33°**



Directly from our new Commander-In-Chief

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My name is Carl H. Cox. I graduated from William Penn High School in 1957. I have been married to my wonderful wife, Sandy, for 54 years. I became a Mason in 1980 and have enjoyed being Worshipful Master of my Lodge, Christiana No. 35, on 3 separate occasions. I have enjoyed serving on three Grand Staffs, the last being Grand Marshal for Most Worshipful Glenn F. Davis, Sr., P.G.M. I have served as Thrice Potent Master of the

Wilmington Lodge of Perfection and was coroneted a 33rd Degree Mason on September 21, 2004. I am a member of the NUR Temple and the Ritual Unit.

Sandy and I have four children, two girls and two boys, nine grandchildren, 6 boys and 3 girls, and 1 great granddaughter (with another great grandchild on the way).

I can honestly say that I love everything about Masonry, from being Grand Instructor for Delaware to being the Chairman of the Hospitality Committee for the Consistory for the 33rd Degree.

Commander-In-Chief  
Ill Carl H. Cox, 33°

**MEET YOUR NEW THRICE POTENT MASTER**

**Bruce A. Beck**



Our new Thrice Potent Master (TPM), Bruce Beck, is a native of Cheltenham, PA who relocated to Dover, DE in 1997. He is the son of Beverly and Raymond Beck and he has one brother, Robert. His family has a long line of Masonic history. He married his bride Mindy in October 2004.

Upon graduating from Cheltenham High School, and graduating from Temple University, Bruce has worked in the financial sector for well over 25 years and is currently employed by Discover Financial Services.

In October 1994, on the way home, he was car jacked and shot 4 times. The doctors told his parents he had less than a 3% chance to live. If he would survive, he would not walk or have any use below his waist. Well four months and four operations later, much to their surprise, he beat their statistics!

Being given this second opportunity in life, Bruce said, “I refocused my commitment to not only helping my fellow man but for being there for them.” He has been very active in the community lending a helping hand at the Salvation Army, and various other charities.

Bruce became Worshipful Master of Union Lodge No. 7 in Dover in 2009 where he was responsible for starting and doing many beneficent things (scholarships, helping those in need). Bruce currently holds the position at NUR Shrine of High Priest and Prophet. Bruce, has been like a good neighbor, by being there not only for fellow Masons but for his family and community. Being given a second chance, his philosophy in life has exponentially expanded from him to everyone around him. With his tenacious work ethic and attitude, positive outlook, and the way he is always there for people, Bruce is very positive about the upcoming year as TPM. He said, “I am always eager for a challenge and relish challenges. I am looking forward to this upcoming year as TPM of the [Wilmington] Lodge of Perfection.”

## REMINDER 4TH ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF OUTING



Time is growing short for you to enter our 4th Annual Charity Golf Outing at the Eagle Creek Golf Course on the Dover Air Force Base. This year's charity golf outing will benefit the Dover AFG Service Combat Support & Community Service, the unit for Children's Activities and Families of our Military. Get your foursome together or just enter and we will pair you up. Forms were distributed in our last Scottish Rite News-

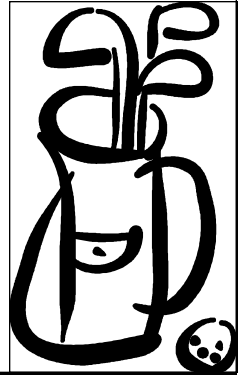
letter, but here is what is included:

- Greens fees
- Cart
- Score Sheets
- 1 Bucket of Range Balls
- \$7 Gift Certificate Package
- Dinner and Social



### PRIZES & OTHER GOODIES

- Best Ball Format
- Longest Drive Contest
- Closest—to—the—pin
- Mulligans \$5 (limit 4 per person)
- 50/50



### MEET YOUR NEW MOST WISE MASTER

John E. Bednash



Our next Most Wise Master is someone with whom all Masons in Delaware should be familiar. He is currently our Most Worshipful Grand Master, John E. Bednash, and because of that, he will not be officially installed until he goes out of office as Grand Master in October.

Most Wise Master Bednash graduated from Woodrow Wilson HS in Beckley, WV and received his B.A. from Wilmington University in Government. He is also a certified Secondary School Teacher.

He retired from the U.S. Army as a Chief Warrant Officer and from the U.S. Postal Service. He currently continues to serve as a Homebound Instructor for the Colonial School District. He and his lovely wife, Janice, will celebrate 56 years of marriage this coming September.

His illustrious Masonic career includes being a Life Member of Jackson Lodge No. 19, Delaware City, where he presided as Worshipful Master in 2005. He is a plural member with Armstrong Lodge No. 26, Newport. He has travelled through the Grand Lodge line first as Grand Tiler in 2006, then Junior Grand Warden in 2008, Senior Grand Warden in 2009, and Deputy Grand Master in 2010.

He also holds membership in Washington-Lafayette Chapter No. 1, R.A.M. where he is a Past High Priest. He is also a member of St. John's Commandery No. 1, K.T., Brandywine Forest No. 20, T.C.L. and NUR Shrine, A.A.O.N.M.S.

In Scottish Rite Masonry, MWM Bednash has progressed through the Council Princes of Jerusalem line until he arrived at Most Wise Master. Last August, he was elected to be coroneted a 33rd Degree Mason at the Annual Session of the Supreme Council on August 30, 2011 in Chicago, Ill.

### IN MEMORIAM

**Ill. . Harry A. Moore, 33°**

**April 27, 1931—April 12, 2011**

**Ill. . Brother Harry was born in Hempstead, NY. His Masonic career began on January 2, 1953 when he petitioned**

**Jefferson Lodge # 15**

**Elected February 20, 1953**

**Entered March 6, 1953**

**Crafted April 13, 1953**

**Raised May 15, 1953**

**Served the Jefferson Lodge as Worshipful Master in 1960**

**Served as Worthy Patron of Unity Chapter #16, OES and as Worthy Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of OES in 1974-1975. In 1989 he served as Potentate of NUR Shrine.**

**His Scottish Rite career began on:**

**January 1, 1954 4th & 14th Degrees**

**February 1, 1954 15th & 16th Degrees**

**March 1, 1954 17th & 18th Degrees**

**May 1, 1954 31st & 32nd Degrees**

**He served as Most Wise Master 1992-1993 and**

**Commander-in-Chief 1998-1999 and**

**received his 50 year pin on December 4, 2002.**

**Ill. . Brother Harry was Coroneted a 33° Scottish Rite Mason on August 31, 1993 in Boston, MA.**

**He served in the U.S. Coast Guard from 1950-1953 and he enjoyed a 40 year career as an outside salesman and estimator of plumbing, heating and air conditioning products to licensed contractors.**

**He is survived by his wife, Joan to whom he was married for 58 years. He is also survived by two sons, Harry Brent and wife Nancy and Mark and wife Barbara and four Grandchildren and two great-grandsons.**

**DEATHS REPORTED SINCE LAST BULLETIN**

05/23/1911	Charles K. Faries, SM	02/23/2010
03/29/1948	Wayne C. Williams	07/01/2010
09/05/1925	Norris L. Bunting, SM	03/07/2011
07/12/1920	Leon E. Grodkiewicz	03/11/2011
03/06/1932	Ralph T. Baker	03/13/2011
05/19/1942	Harold R. Jones, "S"	03/13/2011
12/23/1953	David E. Pletz	03/13/2011
08/15/1918	Rudolph B. Hastings	03/14/2011
11/24/1921	Robert B. Howard, Jr.	03/16/2011
12/30/1926	Howard E. Love	03/18/2011
04/07/1914	Harlan L. Buss, MSA	03/22/2011
06/14/1932	James D. Spicer	03/22/2011
07/29/1917	Howard N. Leverage, SM	03/22/2011
07/16/1925	Robert M. Couser, SM	04/08/2011
04/27/1931	Ill. Harry A. Moore, 33°, LM	04/12/2011
07/04/1918	Clarence J. Elliott	04/15/2011
07/09/1916	James F. Wood, Jr., LM	04/21/2011

*Little League is Good because it keeps Parents Off the Street and the Kids out of the House.*  
— Yogi Berra #3

**Information to the family:** Should the Scottish Rite Mason whose name appears on the mailing label be admitted into the Hospital, Nursing Home, or is incapacitated in any way, **Please notify the Secretary of the Scottish Rite.**  
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**MEET YOUR NEW VALLEY TREASURER**

**S. Curtis Cole**



Our Treasurer, S. Curtis (Curt) Cole, has had a very impressive Masonic career. He currently is serving as President of the Masonic Home Board as well as chairing the "Grand Lodge Day at the Masonic Home" Committee.

Curt has served as Master of Union Lodge No. 7 (Dover) in 2001 and as Junior Grand Warden in 2008. He continues to serve on a number of committees both within his Lodge and within the Grand Lodge of Delaware.

He has worked with our youth and served as Associate Bethel Guardian from 1986-1990.

As a Scottish Rite Mason, Curt received his degrees from the Valley of Wilmington in the first half of 1987 and became a charter member of the Valley of Lower Delaware in 2010. In 2008, he began his journey through the officer line of the Chapter of Rose Croix where he is to be installed as Junior Warden for 2011-2012.

Curt maintains active membership in the NUR Shrine where he is currently the Assistant Rabban as well as a member of several units and clubs. He also holds membership in the York Rite bodies, Brandywine Forest No. 20, T.C.L., the Bedford Club, the Royal Order of Jesters and the Order of Quetzalcoatl.

Curt has been married to Theresa (affectionately known as "Mrs. Cole") for 42 years and they have been blessed with two daughters Michele and Kirsten who are both married. Curt and Theresa have two grandchildren, Valerie and Mason.

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