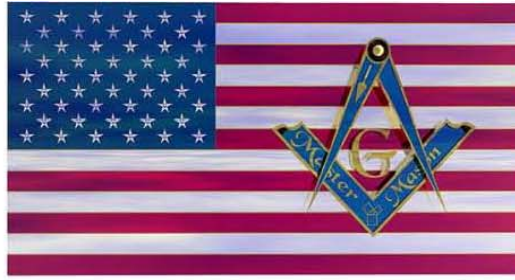




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AASR, VALLEY OF NEW CASTLE

# THE VALLEY CLIPPER



## Legion of Honor/Valley of New Castle Family Christmas Party

SATURDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 11, 2010  
DINNER: 5:00 PM - SANTA - COUNTRY STORE

NEW CASTLE SCOTTISH RITE CATHEDRAL - NEW CASTLE, PA

The Legion of Honor and the Valley of New Castle are teaming up again this year, in the true spirit of Brotherhood, to bring you a wonderful Family Christmas Party!

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR THIS EVENT, AS SEATING WILL BE ASSIGNED. IF YOU HAVE A GROUP OF FRIENDS THAT YOU WISH TO BE SEATED WITH, PLEASE MAKE THAT KNOWN WHEN YOU MAKE YOU RESERVATIONS. ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY DECEMBER 3, 2010.

### Reservations for Christmas Party

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2010

Number of Adults: (13 and over are considered Adults)

Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_ ... @ \$15/MEAL = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Children 12 and under: \_\_\_\_\_ ... @ \$10/MEAL = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL NUMBER ATTENDING \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

PRINT YOUR NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Please list name and age of each child 12 and under to receive gift!!

Boys Name	Age	Girls Name	Age
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
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Make Check Payable to: Legion of Honor

Mail to: AASR, Valley of New Castle, 110 East Lincoln Avenue, New Castle, PA 16101

Attn: Christmas Party



The Valley of New Castle is now on Facebook. Just log in to your account and search for "Valley of New Castle" to join the Group.

#### ALLEGIANCE

The Body of the Scottish Rite, sitting in the Valley of New Castle, State of Pennsylvania, acknowledges and yields allegiance to the Supreme Council, Thirty-Third Degree, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America, whose Grand East is Lexington, Massachusetts, and whose Officers are:

III. John William McNaughton, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander

III. William L. McCarrier, 33°, Deputy for Pennsylvania

## Lodge of Perfection

If you missed the Valley's Oktoberfest, on the 23rd of October, you missed a great night of food, fellowship, and entertainment.

I wish to thank all of the Brethren that made this such a wonderful event. Lou Hill and all of his kitchen staff and the Officers of the Lodge of Perfection worked hard to organize a full evening of events and entertainment. A special thanks to our Brethren from Oil City's Scottish Rite Clown Club for entertaining the kids young and old.

After dinner and music, provided by Burke's Bavarian Brass Band, we started drawing tickets for door prizes and began the quite nice Country Store!

A 50/50 was enjoyed by many folk, \$160 was raised for the Valley of New Castle's Learning Center, and \$160 for the wardrobe fund. Door prizes included 2, crisp \$50 bills, a beautiful mum donated by Feola's Greenhouse, 3 wooden carvings donated by Mark Cox, a \$25 gift card donated by Bicycle and More, the "Sweet Deal", a \$10 gift card from Jameson's Candy and a \$5 gift card from Bruster's Ice-Cream, and finally, two beautiful hams.

Mark your calendar now for October 23, 2011, for next year's Oktoberfest!

Kevin A. Griffin, 32°, Thrice Potent Master



## Princes of Jerusalem

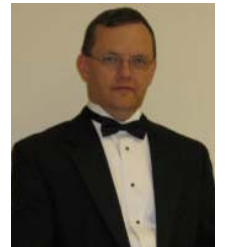
On behalf of New Castle Council Princes of Jerusalem, our officers welcome each and every new member to the Scottish Rite. Your acceptance and membership is more than the privilege; it is an honor which has been presented to you. It now becomes your decision how this bestowment may be best utilized.

We encourage you to take an active role in Masonry from your Blue Lodge through Scottish Rite. From the ceremonies for installations of officers comes the phrase "the usefulness of Scottish Rite Masonry chiefly depends", its usefulness depends upon you and your involvement. During your one-day class you may have been overwhelmed with vast amounts of information, and may have many questions. You are encouraged to ask and to become involved, whether it is as a line officer, cast member, stage or wardrobe; the list goes on and on.

Your one-day journey is to be a "life time of inspiration for daily living". This journey will require your commitment, dedication, and involvement. We look forward to seeing you at our meetings.

Again, welcome to the world's greatest fraternity!

Mark A. Lewis, 33°, MSA, Sovereign Prince



## Rose Croix

Halloween has come and gone, the ghosts, ghouls and witches have disappeared. The beauty of the autumn season has come and gone and we now will pass into the next season. The officers and members of the New Castle Chapter of Rose Croix would like to take this opportunity to wish each and every member of the Valley of New Castle and their families a very joyous holiday season.

Remember to thank our veterans and give thanks at Thanksgiving and every day, remember why the Christmas season is celebrated and may everyone have a safe and prosperous 2011.

Please remember to support the Valley of New Castle and all the various functions that the Valley of New Castle plans for our members and their families. Each and everyone one of our members help to make us a stronger organization so please support our Valley of New Castle Consistory, AASR in any way that you can.

Keith E. Parkinson, 32°, Most Wise Master



## Consistory

### CONGRATULATIONS NEW SCOTTISH RITE MEMBERS

The one day class is over and we have 116 new members between the Valley of New Castle and the Valley of Oil City.....WHAT A GREAT DAY.

It was such a pleasure to have met so many fine new Brother Scottish Rite Masons in one day that I am still smiling and looking forward to getting to know all of you better. In my few minutes to address you in the opening and closing of the Scottish Rite degrees I tried to impress upon you the fact that we as a group are more FAMILY oriented. We want you and your family to become active in the Scottish Rite.

Please as you read this copy of the Clipper look closely at the upcoming events and come join us for one of our Holiday events or our Sausage and Pancake dinner.

WELCOME NEW BROTHERS.

Jeffrey J. Heasley, 33°  
Commander-in-Chief



## *Your Cathedral Foundation News*

Congratulations to Blue Lodge and Scottish Rite Masons on a successful One-Day Masonic Journey held on October 30<sup>th</sup> at our Cathedral. All parking areas adjacent to the Cathedral were full at 8:30 AM that day, with the only parking available two blocks away. Construction on our new parking lot on Lincoln Ave. started November 2<sup>nd</sup> and will be completed in November.

The entire re-roofing project is now complete. Hand railing on the west side walkway to the kitchen entrance will be installed in November. The sound system for the stage degree work was upgraded by the Valley of New Castle and was a welcomed improvement. The new men's restroom and lounge area at the lower level of the Cathedral are a work in progress.

The 2010 tax year is nearing an end, and now is the time to donate to this year's fund raising if you have not donated. Funds are needed to continue improvements.

The next Pittsburgh Symphony concert is the Holiday Pops on December 10<sup>th</sup>, followed by the classical concert Sunday, April 10, 2011 at 2 PM. Tickets can be purchased at [www.pittsburghsymphony.org](http://www.pittsburghsymphony.org), or by calling 800-743-8560. Pre-Symphony dinner reservations can be made by phoning 724-654-6683, option 3, then option 2, or by e-mailing [info@cathedralnewcastle.com](mailto:info@cathedralnewcastle.com). We need the subscription support of as many members as possible to assure the PSO continues performing at the Scottish Rite Cathedral. You can also be a donor of the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra series at the Scottish Rite Cathedral by gifting to the ANNUAL FUND by phoning 412-392-3310.

Your attendance at these events helps fund improvements to your building. The Cathedral Foundation Board of Directors thanks you and appreciates your support.



Jim Kunselman, President Cathedral Foundation

### *Volunteers Needed*

Now is the time to get involved in the Scottish Rite Degrees. There are openings for acting parts in the several degrees. You may volunteer for either speaking parts or non-speaking parts. For those who don't care for the stage there is a need for people to work in the makeup room. In addition, for those that are musically inclined there are openings in the choir. Any interested party may contact the Scottish Rite office at 724-654-5800 or email [secretary@valleyofnc.org](mailto:secretary@valleyofnc.org)

Please circle the number of those committees that interest you, and where you are willing to devote some of your time and talent. Return your completed form to the Valley Secretary.

- 1.) CAST (Speaking Part): Characters in Scottish Rite ritual have lines ranging from one to 200.  
*Take a small part and work your way up!*
- 2.) CAST (Non-Speaking Part): Some degrees have parts such as guards, lodge members, etc.  
*You can dress the part and be on the floor without uttering a word. A great way to overcome "stage fright".*
- 3.) RECEPTION/REGISTRATION: Welcome the candidates and their ladies, and collect monies for degree fees.
- 4.) STAGE CREW: Assemble scenes for the degrees, adjust lighting and sound.
- 5.) STEWARDS: Handle sales and distribution of dinner tickets.  
*You must be able to arrive early for dinner functions.*
- 6.) WARDROBE/MAKE-UP: Assist cast members with costumes, beards, wigs and headdresses.
- 7.) CHOIR: Many degrees have choral interludes to add to the beauty of the work.  
*If you can sing, play piano, play organ, or direct, this is the job for you!*
- 8.) MEMBERSHIP: Serve as a Scottish Rite Ambassador to your Lodge. Involves speaking to Blue Lodge Masons about Scottish Rite and the Valley. *You must regularly attend your Blue Lodge.*
- 9.) ACTIVITIES PROGRAM: Assist in planning family activities, such as picnics and other group outings.
- 10.) VALLEY CLIPPER: Editing, article submission.
- 11.) PHOTOGRAPHY: For Valley Clipper, web site, and archival purposes.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

*The Valley always has openings for volunteers. Experience, is helpful, but not necessary!*



# ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKES & SAUSAGE

Buttermilk Pancakes, Buckwheat Cakes,  
Whole Hog Sausage, Drinks

**Saturday, January 15, 2011**

**3-7 pm**

**New Castle Scottish Rite Cathedral**

*Proceeds benefit the New Castle  
32° Masonic Learning Center for Children*

**ADULTS \$5 CHILDREN UNDER 12 \$3**

Questions? Call 724-654-5800

Or Visit: [www.valleyofnc.org](http://www.valleyofnc.org)

Tickets Available In Advance

By Mailing A Self-Addressed  
Stamped Envelope With Your  
Check Payable To: *A.A.S.R.*

To:

Valley of New Castle  
110 East Lincoln Avenue  
New Castle, PA 16101  
Attn: Pancake Dinner



*The New Castle Legion of Honor wants you!*

If you are an honorably discharged Veteran we would like to encourage you to join the New Castle Legion of Honor. Membership is JUST \$9 per year! Events schedule for 2010-2011 include: Christmas Party - December 11, 2010; Strawberry Social - June 4, 2011; Family Picnic - August 13, 2011; Corn Roast - September 10, 2011. For more information about these events or joining, please contact the Valley of New Castle office at 724-654-5800.

## *From the Kitchen*

After reading this issue of *The Clipper*, don't throw it away without first showing it to your wife. This article has something she will want to read. Those of you who attended the dinner before the Sept. 15 stated meeting apparently liked your meals very much. For those who missed it (shame on you), it consisted of ham loaf with pineapple-mango topping, candied sweet potatoes flavored with ground orange peel, and pasta and lettuce salads. Dessert was peach melba ice cream sundaes.

Most of the time, Lou Hill and I get comments like, "Good meal," but almost never anything more. This meal must have been special because several people came to the serving table and asked where the ham loaf was bought, and many also wanted the recipe for the topping.

Lou told them he got the ham loaf from Gateway Farm Freezer Beef on Mount Jackson Road, down toward Enon Valley. And it was great. I normally don't care for ham loaf because some are salty, but this one I really liked.

As a tip on cooking, I put these in the oven at 250 degrees for about 4 hours, although the cooking time doesn't have to be that long. It should be a long enough time to heat the meat through without drying it out. During the last hour of cooking, I put a ladle of the topping on each ham loaf to allow that to flavor the meat a bit.

But Lou couldn't provide the recipe for the topping because it was my concoction and I left the building before dinner. As tasty as it turned out, I have to tell you that I didn't work from a recipe. I created a recipe as the ham loaves were cooking, using foods and seasonings that I know go well with ham. I didn't know how well people liked the topping until the next day, when Lou told me people asked for the recipe. And then about a week later, a couple stopped me in Giant Eagle and asked for the recipe.

I have to give my wife, Ada Mae, credit for getting me started because she told me she likes a topping that has brown sugar and pineapple in it. By the time I had to get the dinner started, I already had a recipe in my head.

A quick note about two ingredients: They were leftovers that I wanted to use up. The I Can't Believe It's Not Butter was what remained after the Legion of Honor corn roast in September. I prefer it for some cooking because it tastes like butter used to taste. For some reason, butter ain't what it used to be, but you could still use it in this recipe.

The dried mango is what I happened to have at home and wanted to use up. I usually get mine at Sam's Club, but have seen it occasionally at Giant Eagle and other supermarkets.

Following are 2 recipes. The first is EXACTLY as I made it for the dinner, and it served 60. But don't think you have no use for a recipe that makes so much. Pass this along to your lodge, church or other organization that raises funds by holding dinners. The second recipe is the scaled-down version for home use and should serve up to 4 people. Any leftovers can be frozen.

### **MIKE'S HAMLOAF TOPPING** (The version for a crowd)

- 1 large can (about 30 ounces or so) pineapple ice cream topping
- 1 pound I Can't Believe It's Not Butter
- 1 pound light brown sugar
- 4 cans crushed pineapple in juice
- 2 large cans unsweetened pineapple juice
- 1 package dried mango (about 1 pound), sliced into 1/4-inch-wide pieces
- Sprinkle of pumpkin pie spice (about 1/4 teaspoon)
- Good pinch ground cloves (about 1/8 teaspoon)

In a large pan (I used a big roasting pan) over medium heat, melt butter and brown sugar. Add ice cream topping, crushed pineapple with juices and dried mango. Heat through. When mixture starts bubbling, add 2 large cans pineapple juice, pumpkin pie spice and cloves. Stir well. Reduce heat and simmer for an hour or more, stirring occasionally. Serve warm. Serves 60 people or more.

#### **NOTES:**

- I don't think pineapple ice cream topping is a necessity, but I did want it for the thickening agent in it that would keep the ham loaf topping from being too thin. As it turned out, the sauce reduced during the long cooking and was thick enough.
- Although this was created for ham loaf, it would also work well with ham, other pork, chicken some vegetables (think stir fry).

### **MIKE'S HAMLOAF TOPPING** (Home version)

- 1 stick butter or about 6 to 8 ounces I Can't Believe It's Not Butter
- 1 cup packed light brown sugar
- 2 cans crushed pineapple in juice
- 1 large can or 2 pop-can size cans unsweetened pineapple juice
- 1 cup dried mango, sliced into 1/4-inch-wide pieces
- Good sprinkle of pumpkin pie spice (just over 1/8 teaspoon)

Good pinch ground cloves (not too much because this is a strong-flavored spice. A little goes a long way, especially when cooked low and slow.) In a Dutch oven or wide skillet with deep sides, over medium heat, melt butter and brown sugar. Add crushed pineapple with juices and dried mango. Heat through. When mixture starts bubbling, add pineapple juice from can(s), pumpkin pie spice and cloves. Stir well. Reduce heat and simmer for an hour or more, stirring occasionally. Mixture will thicken slightly as it reduces. Serve warm. Serves up to 4 people.

## 2010 Steelers Quilt Raffle

The Valley of New Castle is once again, raffling off another Steelers quilt. This quilt is beautiful and hand-made by the Amish. All proceeds directly benefit the Valley of New Castle 32° Masonic Learning Center for Children with Dyslexia. This year's quilt has the following signatures: Dennis Dixon, Stefan Townsend, Charlie Batch, Deshea Townsend, Anthony Madison, Bryan Hinkel, Nick Eason, Andy Russell, Craig Bingham, Robin Cole, Ed Nelson, Gerry Mullins, John Brown, Rand Grossman, Steely McBeam, Pat Rooney's daughter, 2002 Hall of Famer Jim Kelley.

Tickets are \$5 each. The winning ticket number will be based on the Pennsylvania Lottery 3 digit evening drawing on February 6, Superbowl Sunday, 2011. Tickets can be purchased at any Valley of New Castle event or by Mailing A Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope With Your Check Payable To: AASR.



To:

Valley of New Castle  
110 East Lincoln Avenue  
New Castle, PA 16101  
Attn: Steelers Quilt

## 2010 WALK/RUN for Dyslexia



## 2010 Oktoberfest



## Hiram's Scottish Riders Motorcycle Club Valley of New Castle

Special Thank you to Brother Tim for putting this great trip together! Our 516 round mile trip took us from the New



Castle Scottish Rite Cathedral through some very scenic routes. After a few quick rest stops, we drove to the Kinzua Bridge. Then on to the ABC Motel where we had a very nice lunch. After a short rest, we continued to our destination, the Pennsylvania Grand Canyon. What a site that was! We then



stopped by the Valley of Coudersport to try out their rocking chairs. After making our way back to the motel, we drove into town, where Tim ate the biggest burger most of us had ever

seen!

(YES, HE FINISHED THE WHOLE THING).



After a nice breakfast the next morning, we continued our voyage into Bradford, PA to visit the Zippo and Case Museum. Then on to Salamanca, NY to visit the Casino and stuff ourselves at the buffet. Finally, we began our journey home along the Western side of the Kinzua Reservoir. It was a beautiful trip! Just ask any of the 14 guys and ladies that went along!

Jeffrey J. Heasley,  
President, New Castle HSRMC

## Congratulations to This Year's 33° Recipients

At the Supreme Council Sessions in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania our Brothers, Arthur L. Eshbaugh, Glenn L. Farren, James M. Kunselman, and Coy R. Price were awarded the honorary 33° this year. Achieving the 33° is an honor that can be bestowed upon a Scottish Rite Mason. It is not campaigned for. It is granted solely by the Supreme Council.

Congratulations also to Basil D. Huffman, William K. Martin, and Keith E. Parkinson. They have been elected to receive the 33° in 2011 at Chicago, Illinois.

The Supreme Council awards the 33° as a way of honoring outstanding and selfless work performed in the Rite or in public life. At its annual session the Supreme Council elects members of the Rite to receive the degree. Members unanimously so elected become Honorary Members of the Supreme Council.



**We are looking for your pictures and stories to publish in the Valley of New Castle Clipper and to post on the Valley web site: [valleyofnc.org](http://valleyofnc.org)**

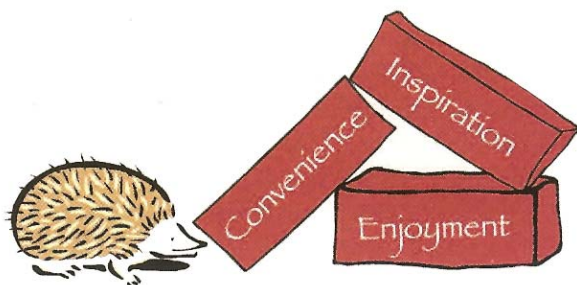
Please send your articles, pictures, and ideas to the Valley office before January 14. Email: [webmaster@valleyofnc.org](mailto:webmaster@valleyofnc.org) or mail to: AASR, Valley of New Castle, 110 E. Lincoln Ave., New Castle, PA 16101-2492

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### *Valley of New Castle 2010-11 Schedule of Events*

November 17	Stated Meeting - <i>Lodge of Perfection</i>	NC Scottish Rite Cathedral	7:30 pm
December 10	Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra	NC Scottish Rite Cathedral	8 pm
December 11	Christmas Party w/Legion of Honor - <i>Rose Croix</i>	NC Scottish Rite Cathedral	5 pm
December 17	B. E. Taylor Christmas Concert	NC Scottish Rite Cathedral	7:30 pm
January 15	Annual Pancake Dinner	NC Scottish Rite Cathedral	3-7 pm
March 11	Annual Stag Fish Fry - <i>Guest Speaker Brent Morris</i>	NC Scottish Rite Cathedral	TBA
March 16	Stated Meeting - Election & Installation of Officers	NC Scottish Rite Cathedral	7:30 pm
April 3	Lou Rotunno Rigatoni Rally	NC Scottish Rite Cathedral	12-30-5:30pm
April 10	Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra	NC Scottish Rite Cathedral	2 pm
July 9-10	PA Council of Deliberation	Seven Springs, PA	

We need your help with various committees to make the above listed events possible. Contact the Valley office at 724-654-5800 or [secretary@valleyofnc.org](mailto:secretary@valleyofnc.org) if you would like to volunteer for a committee. Visit the Valley website at [www.valleyofnc.org](http://www.valleyofnc.org) for more details and the most up-to-date schedule of events.

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