



AASR VALLEY OF NEW CASTLE

# The Valley Clipper

APRIL 2023



## *New Castle Council Princes of Jerusalem Twentieth Annual Stag Steak Fry*

Open to all Masons and adult male guests  
Scottish Rite Cathedral New Castle  
110 E. Lincoln Ave, New Castle, PA 16101

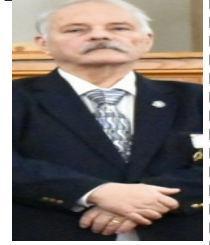
Thursday, August 10, 2023

Dinner at 6:30 pm

*Tickets Just \$25*

Tickets must be purchased in advance.  
**NO** tickets will be sold after Aug. 5 or at the door.

## **Thrice Potent Master - David R. Rivers, 32°**



Greetings Brethren,

As another year winds up at the Consistory, I would like to thank all the people who made my term as Thrice Potent Master a pleasant and productive one. THANK YOU!!

As the new Officers take their places, we still have much work ahead of us. While the Executive Board has made great strides over the last year in the effort to make the Scottish Rite Valley of New Castle more streamlined and fun, the addition of new activities has been successful.

Membership is still one of the biggest concerns for our Valley. There are many members in our Blue Lodges that would make good members of the Scottish Rite. Please, Brethren, let them know we are here, ready to welcome them into the next stage of their Masonic journey.

Once again, it has been my privilege to serve my brothers. Thank you all.

Fraternally,

**David R. Rivers, 32°**  
**Thrice Potent Master - New Castle Lodge of Perfection**

## **Most Wise Master - William E. Ingram, 32°, MSA**



Brethren,

As this Masonic year comes to a close, I would like to thank everyone who has helped me throughout this past year.

It has been my privilege and honor to serve as Most Wise Master for this past year.

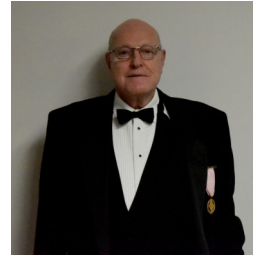
I would like to congratulate the newly elected Officers for their upcoming year. I wish you all well.

I hope to see you at the upcoming events. So, be sure to read your Clipper or visit the website, [www.scottishritenewcastlepa.com](http://www.scottishritenewcastlepa.com).

Fraternally,

**William E. Ingram, 32°, MSA**  
**Most Wise Master - New Castle Chapter of Rose Croix**

## **Sovereign Prince - Roger L. Sigworth, 32°**



Brethren,

Here it is the end of my term as Sovereign Prince. I will use the old saying “I don’t know where the time went”.

We had a successful Steak Fry this past year, and I want to thank all who helped with it.

Our Commander-in-Chief still has a busy schedule planned for the next year. Let’s support him and try to get some of the “inactive” members involved. If we can do this, it will help keep our fraternity growing. Also, let’s help Brian Butchart when he is elected for Office of Sovereign Prince for the next year.

Sincerely,

**Roger L. Sigworth, 32°**  
**Sovereign Prince - New Castle Council, Princes of Jerusalem**

## **Commander-In-Chief - Ill. Donald P. Paul, 33°, MSA**



Greetings Brethren,

With the New Year off to a great start, I’d like to first thank everyone for their help and support in making the Annual Pancake & Sausage Dinner a huge success, along with our first Family Bowling Event.

Our great Valley shines with all the support from its Officers and members. We have many more family and member activities planned for the year. Come out and enjoy the fellowship at a meeting or activity.

YOU make up the Greatest Fraternity in the world. Let’s keep our Valley moving forward together.

If you need help or assistance, please call me @ 724-290-7317 or the Secretary at 724-654-5800.

Sincerely and fraternally,

**Ill. Donald P. Paul, 33°, MSA**  
**Commander-in-Chief - New Castle Consistory - Valley of New Castle**

## Secretary—Ill. Randall L. Connell, 33°



Greeting Brethren,

The time has come for another Article for the Clipper Newsletter. I would like to express my thanks to all of the Brethren and their families that have supported the Valley Activities over the last year. The Commander-in-Chief has been working diligently to advance the reach of the Valley's Activities, both for the Members as well as the Member's families. There are activities planned for the Ladies during Stated Meeting Nights, when possible. There are Dinners planned for the Stated Meeting nights for both Members and their Families at a reasonable cost by RSVP. I am not going to list all of the past or future events, since they were already listed on the website and in the Clipper Newsletters.

I would also like to thank all of the members that have paid their dues and urge anyone who has not paid their dues to do so before May 30, 2023, to avoid suspension from the Valley. If you have a hardship or emergency and cannot pay your dues, please give us a call at the Office and we will work on an option for your situation. The new Scottish Rite Year starts on April 01, 2023, and we are planning to hit the ground running for the 2023-2024 Scottish Rite Year.

Please call the Office monthly or go to the website monthly to see what Events are scheduled for that month. Activities are listed under "Events" tab, Meetings are listed under the "Meetings" tab, and "33° Information" is listed under the 33° Information tab on the website at [www.scottishritenewcastlepa.com](http://www.scottishritenewcastlepa.com). I look forward to the many Social and Degree Presentation Events scheduled throughout the next Scottish Rite Year.

I was always told, 'You get out of Freemasonry what you put into Freemasonry, if you do not put anything into Freemasonry, then do not be surprised that you do not get anything from Freemasonry either'. The only real thing there is in Freemasonry is your time and your friendships, these require a little effort on your part, like planting & caring for a garden, then the law of reciprocity starts to take affect and there is no telling what might happen. If there is no effort put in, then there is usually no return either. Let us plant more seeds so we can have more growth; the future of Freemasonry is in your hands, survival or extinction, it is due to our own actions, so let's take some action!! Many hands make light work, and no hands means no work.

Welcome from the Valley of New Castle Brethren, and if you need anything please contact me at the Secretary's Office at 724-654-5800 or [secretary033@yahoo.com](mailto:secretary033@yahoo.com) or Cell at 724-822-4660 or [atak4k0282@gmail.com](mailto:atak4k0282@gmail.com).

Thank You All,

Ill. Randall L. Connell, 33°

Secretary  
Valley of New Castle

### 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:

Ill. Peter J. Samiec, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander  
Ill. Robert J. Bateman, 33°, Deputy for Pennsylvania

# **CHILDREN'S DYSLEXIA CENTER CONTRIBUTION OPERTUNITY**

**WHAT IS EITC** Educational Improvement Tax Credit ( EITC ) is a program that designates Pennsylvania tax credits awarded by the State to companies and business owners that made contributions to qualified Educational Improvement Organizations, such as the Children's Dyslexia Centers, that provide innovative education programs to students K – 3. The tax credit is equal to 75% of the donation for a one-year commitment of equal contributions ( up to \$750,000 per taxable year ). Existing federal charitable deductions also apply, so there may be no net cost to the donor.

**WHO CAN PARTICIPATE** Businesses authorized to do business in Pennsylvania who are subject to one or more of the following taxes:

- Personal Income Tax
- Capital Stock / Foreign Franchise Tax
- Corporate Net Income Tax
- Bank Shares Tax
- Title Insurance & Trust Company Shares Tax
- Insurance Premium Tax
- Mutual Thrift Tax
- Malt Beverage Tax
- Retaliatory Fees under section 212 of the Insurance Company Law of 1921

**HOW TO PARTICIPATE** It's a simple process to participate. Follow the instructions below or contact the Center for more information. Visit [www.esa.dced.state.pa.us](http://www.esa.dced.state.pa.us)

Submit your application electronically using the state's Single application for assistance. Deadlines:

May 17-Business applicants who have fulfilled their 2-year commitment and wish to reapply and renew their commitment.

May 17-Businesses who are in the middle of their 2-year commitment.

July 1- All other businesses including initial applications.

Upon approval, the company has 60 days to make a donation designated for Children's Dyslexia Centers, Inc.

Acknowledgement will be provided to the business, which then has 90 days to send proof of its donation to DCED. The tax credit is effective the first day of the taxable year in which the contribution is made.

**Children's Dyslexia Learning Center of Western Pennsylvania** 110 East Lincoln Ave, New Castle, Pa 16101

**A CHARITY OF SCOTTISH RITE FREEMASONRY** 724 – 654 - 5408

**Robyn L. Goodlin, Co-Director**

**Elise H. Orazen, Co-Director**

**VETERANS  
PLEASE READ THIS  
WE NEED YOUR HELP**

SUPREME COUNCIL WOULD LIKE TO HAVE ALL VETERANS REGISTER WITH THEIR VALLEY'S VETERAN'S COMMITTEE SO THAT WE KNOW WHO OUR VETERANS ARE. PLEASE FILL OUT THE FORM BELOW (IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY DONE SO) AND RETURN IT TO:

**Valley of New Castle**  
**110 E Lincoln Ave**  
**New Castle, PA 16101**  
**Attn: Valley Veteran Committee**

**Name in Full:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Branch of Service:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Served from/to:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Type of Discharge:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Which Conflict or Peace Time:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Distinguished Honors:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional Comments:**

**ORGAN BENEFIT DINNER**

**6:30 P.M. WEDNESDAY EVENING**

**APRIL 26, 2023**

**FANTASTIC PIPE ORGAN MUSIC , A SCRUMPTIOUS MEAL  
& ENJOYABLE COMPANY**

**ALL FOR A \$50 PER PERSON DONATION**

For Tickets & Additional Information go to :

<https://cathedraltickets.ludus.com/200435143>





# SCOTTISH RITE OF NEW CASTLE

## ALL YOU CAN EAT GROUP OUTING

Friday, June 2, 2023 • Gates: 6:00 PM • First Pitch: 7:05 PM

*Scottish Rite of New Castle will be attending Eastwood Field for an all you can eat experience! Check out what you can look forward to below!*



- ★ ALL YOU CAN EAT WRISTBANDS FOR EACH MEMBER OF YOUR GROUP TO PRESENT AT THE PICNIC GARDEN AT EASTWOOD FIELD
- ★ PREMIUM BOX SEAT TICKET VOUCHER FOR EACH MEMBER OF YOUR GROUP
- ★ \$5 LOADED VALUE ON EACH TICKET TO BE USED ON CONCESSIONS OR MERCHANDISE
- ★ 10% OFF ON SCRAPPERS MERCH
- ★ GROUP WELCOME ON THE PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM & VIDEO BOARD
- ★ ALL GUESTS ENTERED INTO NIGHTLY GROUP SWEEPSTAKES



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### ALL YOU CAN EAT MENU INCLUDES:

HOT DOGS, BURGERS, CHICKEN, FOUNTAIN DRINKS, CHIPS, COOKIES

SCOTTISH RITE OF NEW CASTLE MEMBERS  
AND THEIR FAMILIES PAY:

ALL MASONS  
AND THEIR FAMILIES PAY:

**\$15** PER PERSON  
PREMIUM BOX SEATS

**\$26** PER PERSON  
PREMIUM BOX SEATS

This event is open to  
all Masons  
and their families!

**Deadline to order is Friday, May 19.**

### SCOTTISH RITE OF NEW CASTLE GROUP OUTING

\_\_\_\_\_ ALL YOU CAN EAT PREMIUM BOX SEAT(S) AT \$15 PER SCOTTISH RITE OF NEW CASTLE MEMBERS  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ALL YOU CAN EAT PREMIUM BOX SEAT(S) AT \$26 PER NON-MEMBERS OF SCOTTISH RITE OF NEW CASTLE      TOTAL ENCLOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

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

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: MAHONING VALLEY SCRAPPERS OR CHARGE: MC VISA AMEX DISC

CARD NO. \_\_\_\_\_ EXP. DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ V# \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Return reservation form to Matt Thompson  
at 111 Eastwood Mall Blvd. Niles, OH 44446  
To order by phone, call 330.505.0000



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*In Memoriam*  
*Deaths since our last Clipper*



**III. George F. Morrow – 1-6-23**

Harold G. Allison – 1-4-23

Earl D. Cumberledge – 1-30-23

Howard J. Egger – 11-13-22

Arthur R. Harmon – 2-16-23

Benjamin W. Kossack, Jr. – 2-20-23

William C. Snowberger, Jr. 2-13-22

Theodore L. Withers – 12-12-22

Harrold C. Brenneman, III. – 12-29-22

Ronald Dloniak – 2-3-23

Edward E. Fisher – 12-19-22

Ronald H. Kaufman – 12-3-22

Benjamin C. Oakes – 1-12-23

Marvin A. Wadding – 2-2-23

Dennis S. Youshock – 1-10-23

Burton D. Brubaker, II. – 12-19-22

Gerald E. Eckenrode – 12-13-22

Peter J. Gregory – 1-17-23

John S. Kennedy – 11-2-22

C. Edwin Shields – 6-2-22

Chester H. Warburton – 12-25-22

Dear Brethren:

An all Bodies Joint Session Stated Meeting of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of the Valley of New Castle will be held in the East Lodge Room @ 7:30 PM on the dates listed below.

A dinner will be held before each meeting from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

**Dinner reservations must be made two weeks prior to the meeting. \$10 per person.**



**June 21, 2023**

**October 18, 2023**

**January 17, 2024**

**March 20, 2024**





# VALLEY OF NEW CASTLE SCOTTISH RITE

## 2nd Annual Cars at the Cathedral



CARS AND BIKES WELCOME | \$10 REGISTRATION FEE

SATURDAY  
JUNE 17TH, 2023  
EVENT STARTS AT 9 A.M

Valley of New Castle  
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# HAWAIIAN SHIRT DAY

MAY 13, 2023

12:00 NOON



Come to the "Venue on Main" in Butler, PA:  
152 North Main Street, Butler, PA 16001

Lunch & 4 Degree Presentations

**They will be as follows:**

04°, 15°, 26°, 29°

**THIS IS AN R.S.V.P. ONLY EVENT:**

**Limited to the FIRST 50 People Only.**

**724-654-5800 - secretary033@yahoo.com**

**Hope to see you all there.**

## **Sing Your Way Through the Degrees!**

*The Consistory Choir is back, and we need you!*



If you sing in a church choir, in a community choir, to the radio in the car, or even in the shower, the Consistory Choir would like you to join us!

*Fear not, there is no audition; we only ask that you can sing tunefully!*

Our Past Commander-in-Chief Ill. W. Thomas Marlowe, Jr., 33° says this about music, "The choir adds definition to our degrees, as music is a universal language, we all can relate to the stories and enlightenment of those degrees. Music gives these degrees depth and a broader perspective. If the fraternity is about an understanding and civility of our world, certainly music is one of the tenants of that understanding. The 'make a better man' that we like to promote is certainly enhanced by adding music to our understanding of life"

Join us in providing the vocal music that enhances the experience we give to the candidates.

Contact Choir Director Lee Pfeifer at [lpfeifer@zoominternet.com](mailto:lpfeifer@zoominternet.com) or 724-504-6623 for more info.



## ***Foxburg Boat Tour***

*On the Allegheny River*

**Saturday July 29, 2023**

**Tour Schedule:**

10:00AM to 11:00 AM      11:00AM - 12:00 PM  
2:00PM to 3:00PM      3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Hosted by the  
Valley of New Castle Scottish Rite

**724-654-5800**

**secretary033@yahoo.com**

***The 4 Boat Tours are One Hour Each as listed above.***

**TICKET COST: \$ 17.50 per person, per tour and are on a First Called First Served basis - Call the Number Above to Register. Deadline to Register is July 26, 2023 or Once the Boats are Full**

**Boat Holds 13 People per Tour plus the Crew**

**Parking in the Parking Lot off of Main Street - Foxburg, PA 16036**

There are many things to do in Foxburg, PA and all of the activities other than the Boat Tour are done at **Your Own Expense.**

**Options (Below).**

**Here are some of the attractions:**

*Allegheny Grille - Bar & Restaurant*

*Allegheny River Stone for the Arts*

*Bicycle Tours*

*Divani Chocolate*

*Foxburg Golf & Country Club*

*Foxburg Inn (Lodging)*

*Foxburg Pizza*

*Foxburg Wine Cellars*

*Segway Tours*



### ***Curious Corners of the Cathedral***



Under the stairway leading down to the A/C room is a trap door providing entrance to several passageways used as air tunnels. These corridors run in all directions under the floors and between the walls of all our dining areas and both lodge rooms. Drain and steam pipes, phone & electrical cords along with several other utilities utilize these ducts reaching all corners of your Scottish Rite Cathedral.



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### *Valley of New Castle Schedule of Events*

Apr 5	Executive Meeting	Scottish Rite Cathedral	7:00 pm
Apr 20	33° Spring Dinner	Scottish Rite Cathedral	6:00 pm
May 3	Executive Meeting	Scottish Rite Cathedral	7:00 pm
May 13	Hawaiian Shirt Day	Venue on Main, Butler, PA	12:00 pm
June 2	Scrapper Baseball Game	Niles Ohio	6:30 pm
June 7	Executive Meeting	Scottish Rite Cathedral	7:00 pm
June 17	Cars at the Cathedral	Scottish Rite Cathedral	9:00 am
June 21	Stated Meeting	Scottish Rite Cathedral	7:30 pm
July 29	Foxburg River Cruise	Foxburg Pennsylvania	10:00 am
Aug 2	Executive Meeting	Scottish Rite Cathedral	7:00 pm
Aug 10	Stag Steak Fry	Scottish Rite Cathedral	6:30 pm

We need your help with various committees to make the above listed events possible. Contact the Valley Office at 724-654-5800 or [secretary033@yahoo.com](mailto:secretary033@yahoo.com) if you would like to volunteer for a committee. Visit the valley website: [www.scottishritenewcastlepa.com](http://www.scottishritenewcastlepa.com) or more details and the most up-to-date schedule of events.

Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, one of the branches of Freemasonry continuing in the tradition of  
"Making Good Men Better."