

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING
VALLEY OF HARTFORD, A.A.S.R.
MAY 7, 2009

The 2009 Annual meeting of the Valley of Hartford, A.A.S.R., was called to order by all of the presiding officers of the four bodies that make up the Valley of Hartford, at 7:36 PM. There were 31 members of the Valley of Hartford in attendance. The following officers, each in turn, opened their respective body:

- Ill. William E. Bohman, 33°, Commander-in-Chief, Nathan Hale Consistory
- Ill. Richard R. Jones, Jr., 33°,
Most Wise Master, Cyrus Goodell Chapter of Rose Croix
- Bro. Perne Robert Maynard, Sovereign Prince,
Hartford Council Princes of Jerusalem
- Bro. Frank Dlugoleski, Thrice Potent Master, Charter Oak Lodge of Perfection;

C-in-C, Ill. Bro. William E. Bohman, 33°, presided over the meeting.

The opening prayer was then given by the C-in-C. This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

This was followed by the introduction of the Past Presiding Heads of the four bodies, M.S.A.'s, 33rds, and the Active members present. Ill. Brother A. Norman Johnson, 33°, Active Emeritus Member, was the only visiting dignitary present.

The Valley Secretary, David R. Blythe Sr., was then called upon for the reading of the minutes of the last Annual Meeting. A motion was made, and seconded, to suspend the reading of the minutes based on the fact that they would be available, following the meeting, at the officers table for review by anyone wanting to review them. The motion was approved as presented and the minutes were opened and placed on the table for review.

Under the Secretaries report it was reported that:

1. That as of April 30th, the total membership in the LOP was 1,141; in the POJ membership was 1,138; RC membership was 1,137; and in the Consistory it was 730.
2. It was reported that the membership report tonight reflected the period from May 1, 2008 to April 30, 2009. It was also announced that during that period we took in 12 new candidates (11 of which completed all degrees required); we added 2 plural members to the Consistory only; had 10 restorations and 0 affiliations; 5 brothers were reclassified as Senior Members; it was recorded there were 65 deaths; 8 dimitts, 14 suspensions for NPD and 5 discharges due to being dropped by their Blue Lodges. (Names in all of the above categories, including the membership totals, are attached the original copy of this report on file in the secretary's office).
3. The names of our deceased brethren were read, followed by a short prayer and a moment of silence.

4. It was then reported that we currently have 32 Brothers who are two years in arrears on their dues and are scheduled for review to determine if they should be dropped for NPD on, or before, June 15th if payment is not received. (A complete list of those scheduled to be dropped, as of that date, is attached and on file with this report in the secretary's office).

Treasurer, Ill. Brother Allan Acker, 33^o, was then called up for his reports. He then highlighted the Treasurers interim report for the Valley of Hartford, and the Scottish Rite Foundation, before handing them over to the secretary to be place on file. (Copies of the reports as of March 31, 2009, are attached). Bro Allan noted that the normal end of the year final reports will be turned over to the secretary, and put on file, after July 31st. A motion was made and seconded to accept the reports as presented. The motion was approved as presented.

Ill Bro. John Martin, 33^o, was not present to present a Trustee's report on the financial status, regarding investments, of Valley funds. As a result, Ill. Brother Allan Acker, 33^o, read his report (Copy of report is attached). A motion was then made and seconded. It was approved by a voice vote.

The current Chairman of the Executive Committee, and the heads of each of the four bodies that make up the Valley of Hartford, were then recognized to read their individual reports regarding their year as head of that body. Copies of each of these reports are attached to this report which is on file in the secretary's office.

The Secretary then read the names of the proposed Valley officers for the coming year. It was stated that ballots for the proposed slate of Officer's in the various bodies in the Valley of Hartford, for 2009-2010, were available for voting. However, before they could be passed out it was recommended that a voice vote be taken if there were no further nominations. Hearing no objections, the Secretary was then asked to cast one unanimous vote for the slate of officers except for the secretary, which was done by the Treasurer. The following officers were elected for the year 2009-2010.

- **Lodge of Perfection:** Thrice Potent Master, Bro. Eric Manner; Deputy Master, Bro. Jeffery Flynn; and as Senior Warden, Bro. Justin Duffy;
- **Prince of Jerusalem:** Sovereign Prince, Bro. Dale T. Cunningham; High Priest, Bro. Aaron Sussman, and as Senior Warden, Bro. Jonathan R. Beatty;
- **Rose Croix:** Most Wise Master, Bro. Theodore L. Hasty; Senior Warden, Bro. Richard F. Denno; and as Junior Warden, Bro. Guy O. Whelchel, III;
- **Nathan Hall Consistory:** Ill. Bro. William E. Bohman, 33^o, Commander-in-Chief; Ill. Bro. Francis G. Way, M.S.A., 33^o, First Lieut. Commander; and Newton Buckner III, Second Lieut. Commander; were re-elected to serve out the regularly scheduled second year of the term of office in this body.
- **Treasurer:** Allan Acker, 33^o
- **Secretary:** David R. Blythe, Sr.
- **Trustee thru 2013:** Ill. Bro. Kevin J. Hecht, 33^o
- **33^o, Representative to the Executive Committee:** Ill. Bro. Richard R. Jones, Jr., 33^o.

The newly elected heads of each of the bodies were then asked to announce the names of their appointed officers for 2009-2010.

Ill. Bro. William E. Bohman, 33^o, then announced that there would be a short Executive Committee meeting following the close of this meeting.

Ill. A. Norman Johnson, 33^o, Active Emeritus was then introduced and asked for his comments.

There being no further business to come before the membership, each current presiding officer in turn, closed his individual Body and the meeting was officially declared closed at 8:10 PM following a closing prayer by Ill. Bro. Francis G. Way, M.S.A., 33^o.

A short meeting of the Newly Elected Executive Committee followed at which time Bro. William E. Bohman, 33^o, was elected Chairman for the coming year and Bro. Eric W. Manner was elected Vice Chairman. No major business took place other than the mentioning that the July planning session would be on July 16th.

Attested,

David R. Blythe, Sr., 33^o
Secretary