

ILLINOIS COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION

Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry
Northern Masonic Jurisdiction
United States of America

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To the Officers and Members of the
Illinois Council of Deliberation, A.:A.:S.:R.:

Dear Brethren:

In accordance with the provisions of Article 200 to 209 inclusive of the *Constitutions of the Supreme Council*, you are notified that the One Hundred Forty-Eighth Convocation of the Illinois Council of Deliberation will be held at the Wyndham Springfield City Centre Hotel, Springfield, Illinois, Saturday June 24, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. for the transaction of business concerning the welfare of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry in the State of Illinois.

MEMBERS

Article 200 of the *Constitutions of the Supreme Council* defines those who are entitled to seats in the Council of Deliberation as follows:

“The Active, Active Emeriti, and Honorary Members of the Council accredited to each State; the Past First and Past Second Lieutenant Commanders of the Council of Deliberation; the Past Commanders-in-Chief of Consistories; the Past Most Wise Masters of Chapters of Rose Croix; the Past Sovereign Princes of Councils of Princes of Jerusalem; the Past Thrice Potent Masters of Lodges of Perfection; those members of Subordinate Bodies in the State who have received the Meritorious Service Award from the Council of Deliberation of such State; and the first three elected officers together with such other officers as are duly elected by a Subordinate Body and designated to be a member of the Council of Deliberation, as well as the Treasurer and the Secretary of Subordinate Bodies, shall constitute a Council of Deliberation for the that State of which the Deputy for that State shall be ex-officio Illustrious Commander -in-Chief.”

PROXIES

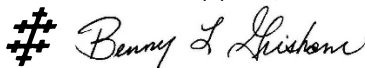
Article 201 of the *Constitutions of the Supreme Council* defines the use of proxies as follows:

“Any Officer of a Subordinate Body of the Rite who is entitled to a seat in the Council of Deliberation from his State, but is unable to be present at any session of such Council, may appoint as his proxy to act in his stead any member of such Subordinate Body, provided, however, that such proxy shall not represent more than one member of such Council.”

Presiding Officers are expected to attend in person. Any Officer who is unable to attend may give a written authority to another member to act. The person so appointed must present his authority, in writing, to the Secretary of the Council, signed by the Officer whom he represents.

The wearing of caps and jewels of office, both past and present, is requested.

Fraternally yours,

# Benny L. Grisham

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Attest

# Barry D. Weer

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Secretary

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, June 23, 2017

Unless otherwise indicated, all event rooms are located on the hotel's Mezzanine Level

<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Tentative tee times start at 7:30 a.m.	ICOD Golf Outing 7172 Piper Glen Drive, Springfield, Illinois	Piper Glen Golf Course
2:30-4:00 p.m.	Active, Emeriti and Deputy's Representatives Meeting	Conference Center Room 2
4:00-5:00 p.m.	Grand Lodge Officers join Meeting	Conference Center Room 2
3:00-5:00 p.m.	Valley Secretaries Meeting	Conference Center Room 1
6:00-6:45 p.m.	Reception for Distinguished Guests 1601 Illini Road, Springfield IL 62704	Illini Country Club
6:45-9:00 p.m.	Distinguished Guests Dinner 1601 Illini Road, Springfield IL 62704	Illini Country Club

Saturday, June 24, 2017

<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
8:30-10:00 a.m.	Illinois Scottish Rite Scholarship Fund Board of Directors Meeting	Conference Center Room 2
10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon	Leadership / Membership Seminar Valley Elected Officers and interested members	Prairie Ballroom
11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.	Ladies Luncheon and Program	Plaza Room III
12:00 noon-1:00 p.m.	Men's Luncheon	Capital and Illinois Ballrooms
1:00-4:00 p.m.	Illinois Council of Deliberation General Business Session	Prairie Ballroom
Session conclusion till 5:30 p.m.	Illinois Council of Deliberation Hospitality Room	Rendezvous Room
6:00-6:45 p.m.	Social Hour (no-host bar)	Grand Ballroom
6:45 p.m.	Illinois Council of Deliberation Grand Banquet and Meritorious Service Award Conferral	Grand Ballroom
Banquet conclusion till 11:00 p.m.	Illinois Council of Deliberation Hospitality Room	Rendezvous Room