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Scottish Rite Masons go Over the Edge for Charity

On Tuesday June 27, 2023, members of the Valley of Concord Scottish Rite Freemasons joined together to go 'Over the Edge' with the United Way for the Children's Dyslexia Center of Nashua. The team of six included Kenneth A Clay Jr, Deputy for NH, Scott R Borthwick, Deputy Grand Master of NH Freemasons, Wilmer J Nemchick, Thrice Potent Master of the Valley of Concord, Lisa Proulx, Administrator for Scottish Rite, Teressa Corson and Tracey Callahan – all of whom had been fundraising for months and collectively raised over \$20,000 for the Dyslexia Center.

After suiting up, an elevator ride, walking up the stairs to the roof, and a brief training session, they stood there on the roof of the Brady Sullivan building in Manchester, waiting for their chance to go 'Over the Edge.' A mere 8 hours prior it was pouring down rain and they were unsure as to whether they would be able to make their descent, but the sun was starting to shine, and they sat on the edge of the roof of a 24-story building. In the distance they could hear people cheering them on, as they began their descent into a thrilling experience with a rush of adrenaline.

Wil Nemchick reflected "Once safely on the ground, as we waited for the rest of our team to make their descent, we had a few moments to relax and contemplate the reason why we were here today, and that reason is charity. Charity at its core translates to love. It is a compassion for others that extends to all humanity. Our team helped those in need by raising over \$20,000 for the Children's Dyslexia Center. Thank you to everyone who helped us help others by contributing to this wonderful charity."

Scottish Rite Freemasonry is inspiration for its members and their families, through its 29 degrees, it expands upon the fundamental principles of Freemasonry, exploring Masonic teachings more deeply. We challenge men by advancing the philosophy of Freemasonry and providing an environment of personal and spiritual growth throughout their journey. For more than 25 years, Scottish Rite Freemasonry of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction has partnered with local communities to assist children in regaining confidence and their self-esteem through proven methods of reading instruction, tutoring, and dyslexia remediation.

More information on Scottish Rite – scottishritenmj.org

More information on Children's Dyslexia Center - childrensdyslexiacenters.org

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