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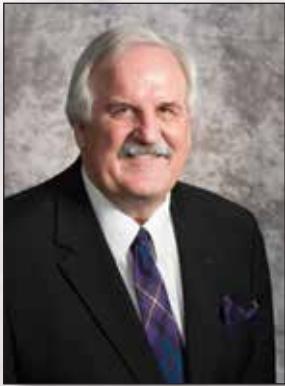


**CATHEDRAL RESTORATION
WORK CONTINUES**

From the Northeast Corner

New Reservations System & Parking

Scottish Rite Brethren, I'm sure you are as happy as I am to see winter exit and spring arrive. As we enter this new season of change and renewal, now is an appropriate time to bring you up to date on changes happening here at the Valley of Indianapolis.



We are now using Eventbrite to handle registration for all Valley events. By going online to www.eventbrite.com, typing "Scottish Rite" in the event section, and "Indianapolis" in the middle section labeled "in," you can now register for all Valley events whether they are free or require the purchase of a ticket. Eventbrite is now the sole method for event registrations or ticket sales. The Scottish Rite office is no longer handling that task. Using Eventbrite provides the Valley with accurate counts and allows us to control expenses, especially when food is involved. Eventbrite is very easy to use, but if you have questions about how to use it, you may contact the office at (317) 262-3100.

We are pleased to see the revitalization of downtown Indianapolis continue. The area in which the Cathedral is located is experiencing unprecedented growth with construction of new residences, office buildings, restaurants, and other businesses. The state of Indiana is even renovating a long-dormant American Legion building on the mall across Meridian Street. As a result of all this growth, the demand for parking spaces is at an all-time high in downtown Indianapolis, especially around the Cathedral. The Valley owns two parking lots adjacent to the Cathedral—one on the west side of the building and one on the north side. To ensure that we protect our parking lot properties as a source of revenue from non-members, we have installed a new parking system in our west lot. If you visit the Cathedral between the hours of 6 am and 6 pm, park in the visitor spaces painted with red lines. When you leave the Cathedral, you will be given a code to exit the gate that will raise the gate and allow you to leave without charge. If you do not have a code when you exit, you will be required to pay \$10 with a credit or debit card before you will be permitted to exit the lot. This policy will be the same for members and non-members. With rising property taxes on our lots, it is necessary that we have this policy to help offset costs.

In the past, the Valley has staged spring and fall convocations. The Executive Committee has made the decision to stage one convocation per year in the fall, beginning with the 2019-

2020 year. Small class sizes, scheduling, expense, degree presentations after stated meetings, and the ability for us to now present the 4th Degree before every stated meeting for those who wish to join the Scottish Rite led to this decision. This new policy will make it much more convenient for new candidates while allowing the Valley greater flexibility and cost savings.

Thank you for your continued membership and dedication to the Scottish Rite Valley of Indianapolis. We value your membership, presence, and involvement!

Rodney A Mann

Executive Director

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Toward Perfection

by Cullen H McCarty

Thrice Potent Master, Adoniram Lodge of Perfection,

As I enter the last quarter of my term as Thrice Potent Master of the Adoniram Lodge of Perfection, I look back with satisfaction in helping to lay the foundation of a new era for our Valley.

The officer corps among the four bodies are united in working toward a better experience for us all and continuing the excellent degree work we are known for. But a critical part of that experience is how leadership interacts with the brethren and how we can improve communication.

The four men presiding over the lines represent a section of the Scottish Rite Degrees and oversee the fraternity. We are Scottish Rite brothers working to make this a great Valley. Nothing more.

A large part of that work is understanding that we as a fraternity need to change. To that end, the Executive Committee has chartered our various committees. The charters give structure to these committees and give purpose to the officers

leading them. We have ample opportunities for brothers to serve and provide value for membership.



Thrice Potent Master Cullen McCarty presented a life membership certificate to Brother Robert Plank at the October Stated Meeting. To obtain your life membership, contact Executive Director Rodney Mann, 33° at 317-262-3100.

In a world where the technology built to connect us is being used to disconnect us, we still have the original “social network”, the Masonic fraternity. The brotherhood one can experience in Scottish Rite is unlike any other outside of Symbolic Lodge. The bonds that are made will last a lifetime.

The Supreme Council has created a great resource to help identify the needs of our fraternity. ‘The Path Forward’ can be found at Supreme Council’s website, scottishritenmj.org

So in order for us to bring members into our Valley, we need to keep

focused on brotherhood by living up to our vision statement: We will strive to be a fraternity that fulfills our Masonic obligation to care for our members.

Council of Deliberation
Fri, June 28 - Sat June 29
Terre Haute, Indiana

Trustees Turn Their Attention To Our Magnificent Ballroom

by Jerry B Collins, Trustee

During the past four years, we have been blessed with a great stock market and some bequests that have enabled the Trustees of the Indianapolis Valley to identify maintenance and renovation projects to stay ahead of Father Time as the Cathedral approaches the century mark.



Flaking paint caused the woodwork to look water-stained.

One of these just-completed projects is in the Ballroom. All the casual observer had to do was look up and could easily see what looked like peeling paint or bad water stains on the woodwork and ceiling of this magnificent room. We obtained several estimates/quotes on what carpenters and painters thought might be the cost without doing an in-depth close-up inspection 80 feet in the air. The best estimate was in the \$200,000 area. WOW!

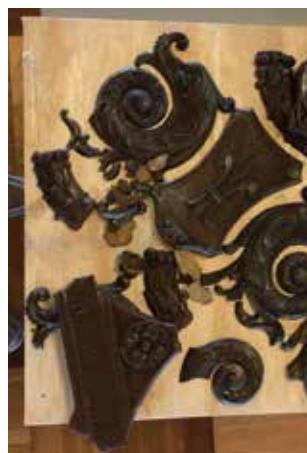
You may recall that when we changed catering companies last year, we spruced up the Double Eagle Cafe with new televisions and fresh paint. The painter, Russ Linehan, did such a great job we decided to freshen up the whole mezzanine and then Rodney Mann, 33° -- our Executive Director -- asked him to take a look at the Ballroom.

Russ took a close look at our water-stained wood by skinning up a long ladder with the agility of a 20-year-old and was intrigued with the beauty of the original artisans and the challenge of doing some restoration work on such a work of art.



Original rubber molds were found in the archives and helped restore the intricate missing pieces.

The Trustees authorized Russ to begin work on the lower part of the Ballroom from the Mezzanine floor on down by cleaning, sanding, applying a primer base, and finally refinishing these areas. To our amazement, the intricate carved medallions, shields, and symbols were actually molded plaster of paris. Curiosity got the better of Rodney and he found the original



Restored moldings.

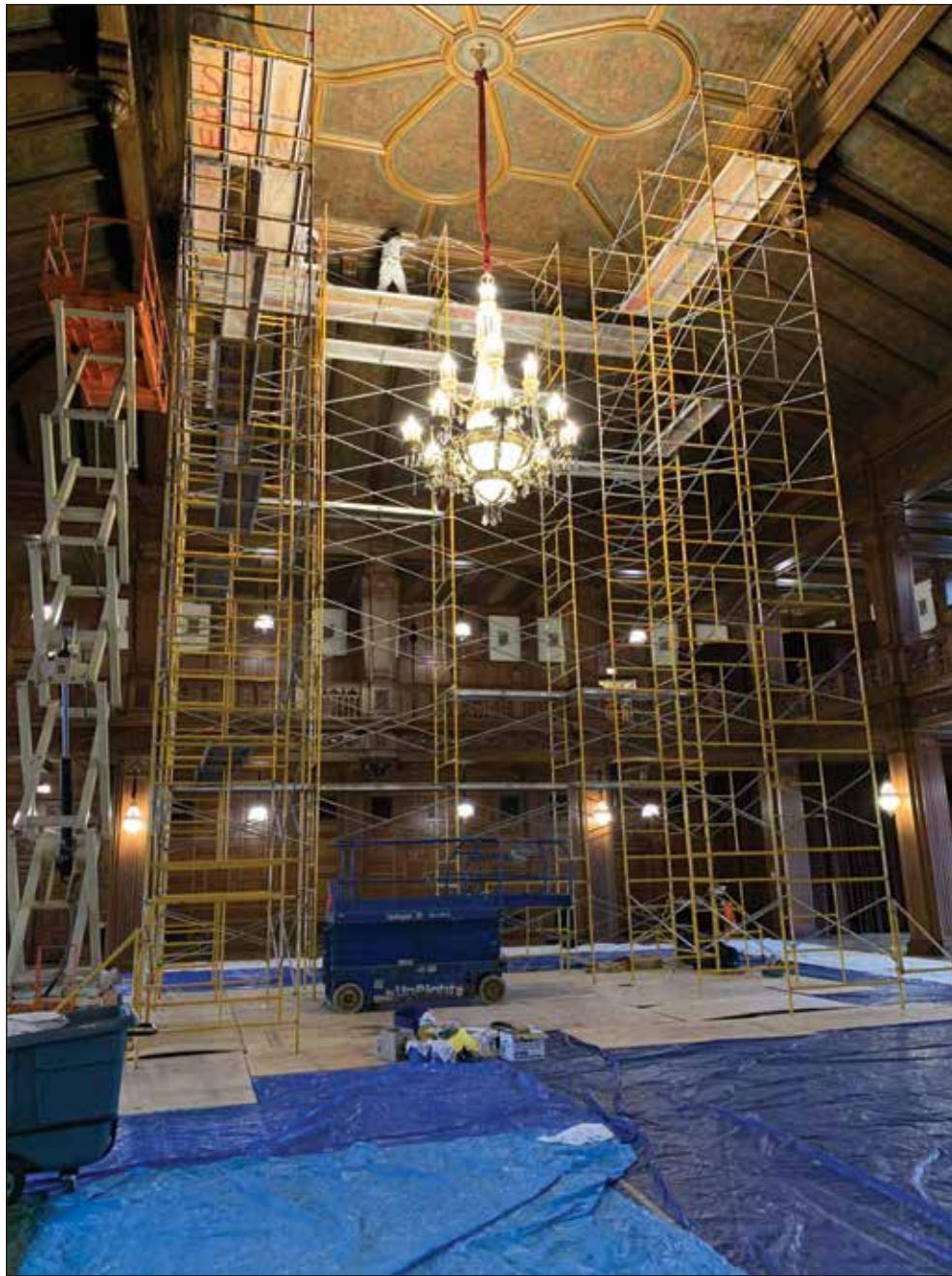


rubber molds and Russ was in heaven! He went to work and we were so impressed with his quality and the phenomenal price that we authorized the whole room to be restored.

Scaffolding was erected since February and March are traditionally every slow times to rent out that particular room. What Russ's crew discovered was that many of the acoustical ceiling tiles were hanging on by a thread and many came off just be being touched. Every tile has been touched and refastened with four screws and silicon around each tile.

We also determined that what was thought to be white residual water damage was actually paint flaking off. Apparently paint keep finishes moistures and when the paint dries out, that protection is gone.

Anyway, the project is finished at a cost of \$90,000 and a huge savings. When you get a chance to be in the building next time, look up and see our beautiful Ballroom.



Scaffolding was in place for nearly two months as the crew labored daily with respirators to protect themselves from decades of dried paint flakes. Thick plywood was covered by blue tarps to protect the recently refinished floor.

New Cathedral Parking System

by Jerry B Collins, Trustee

Indianapolis has been steadily building more offices, stores, and housing downtown as many millenials seek to live in the city and forego things that many of us would consider invaluable necessities like cars and suburban housing. As a result, several recent projects within four blocks of the Cathedral have slowly been impacting our parking facilities on the west and north lots to the point that members are having a difficult time — on occasion — finding a spot to park when visiting the Valley.

The Valley Trustees thought it prudent to look into alternatives to our present system that would provide more space for our members and invited guests.

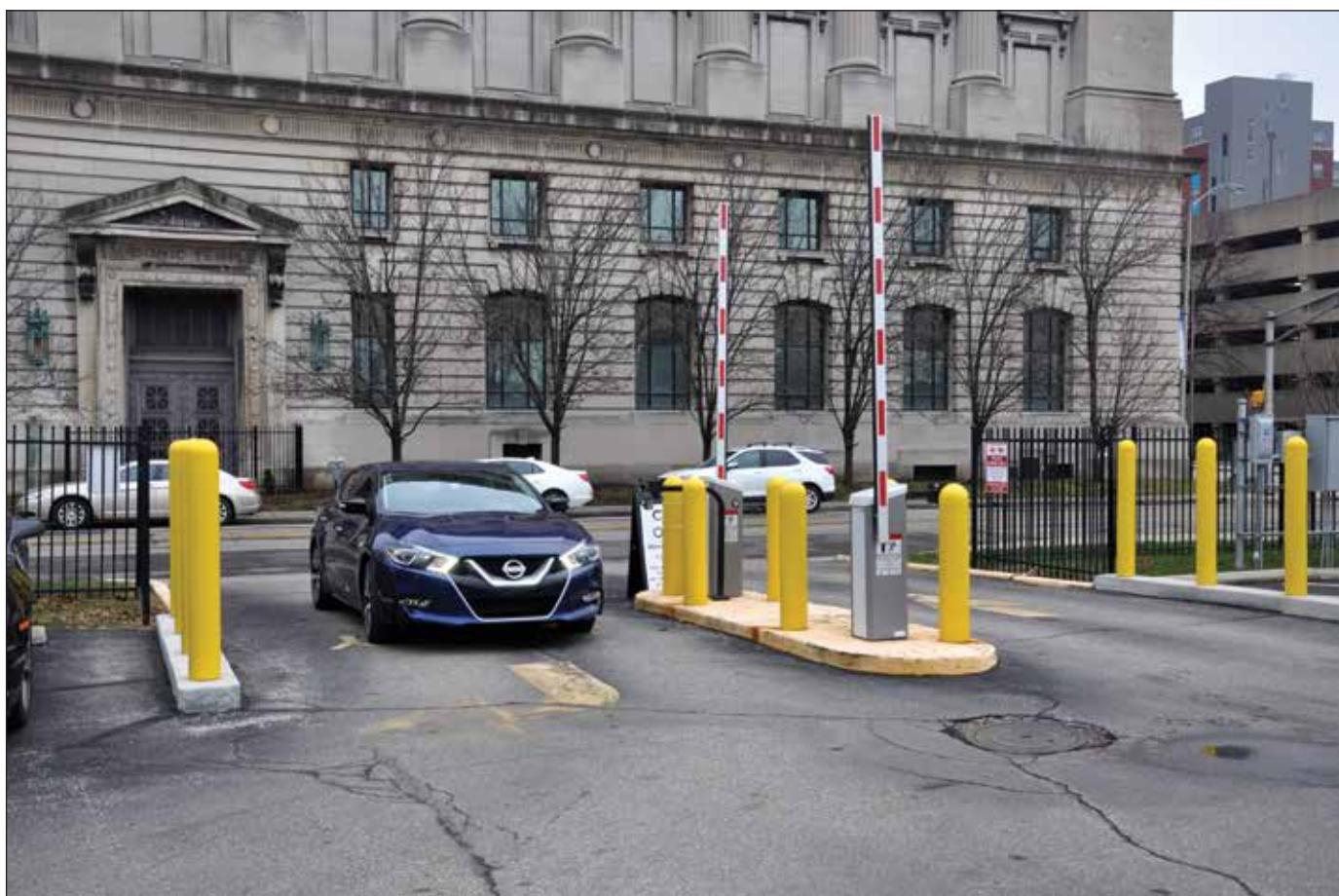
Beginning on Monday, April 29, a new parking lot system will go into effect. All parkers will still face the silver mushroom to enter the lot but the change comes when attempting to exit the lot. The gate arms will always remain in a closed or down

position until either a correct numerical code is entered on the keypad or a credit card is presented to collect a \$10 fee.

If you are visiting the Valley for lunch or a planned event, just ask the security guard for the weekly code and you can exit the lot without charge -- this is the same procedure as in the past. If a non-member wants to use our lot to go shopping, sightseeing, or visiting a local theatre — no problem, they can still use the lot but will have to pay a \$10 fee to do so.

All fees collected will be used to maintain the lot and pay for the cost of the new system. This new system will also lower our liability and hopefully free up spaces for our members.

When visiting the Valley during the day, please park in the red lined spaces -- after 6pm the whole lot is open. There will be a button to call our on-duty maintenance department if you accidentally get "locked-in" after hours without the code.



*The new parking system and software's cost of \$20,000 will be offset by local non-members who wish to use our lot.
Be sure to get the weekly code from the security desk before leaving the building.*



Scottish Rite's KENTUCKY BOURBON TRAIL TOUR

Join your Indianapolis Valley brethren Saturday, April 27, 2019 as we board a motor coach and head to Bluegrass Country for the first-ever Scottish Rite *Kentucky Bourbon Trail Tour*! It'll be a spring time day of great fun, delicious food, interesting stories, and, of course, several bourbon tastings along this memorable journey.

Joining us in Kentucky will be Jim Patton, a Kentucky native familiar with the distilleries and bourbon-making history. Jim will serve as our local host and guide during our time in Kentucky. He'll share stories of prominent Kentucky bourbon families as well as demonstrate how to make his version of a well-known drink closely associated with the Kentucky Derby – the famous Mint Julep. Yes, a Mint Julep will be served during the ride through the hills of Kentucky to make the tour even more pleasant!



Visits to two world-famous distilleries are included in your *Kentucky Bourbon Trail Tour*. Our first stop will be the venerable Jim Beam Distillery in Clermont, KY for a tour and bourbon tasting. Now in its seventh generation of ownership by the Beam family, the distillery was founded in 1795 by Jacob Beam. The distillery also produces such well-known bourbons as Knob Creek, Booker's, and Basil Hayden. Next we'll board the coach and enjoy a catered lunch with other Mint Julep fans on the ride.

Arriving at Maker's Mark Distillery in Loretto, the distillery known for its round wattle stoppers and high quality bourbon. The 1-hour tour includes a wonderful bourbon tasting.

After the Maker's Mark tour we'll head back north, cross the Ohio, and stop at the Providence Community Center in New Albany for a down-home dinner prepared by Lisa Stark, mother of Deputy Thrice Potent Master Luke Stark. At dinner we'll also be auctioning a few "bourbon souvenirs" to benefit the Scottish Rite Cathedral Foundation before heading home to Indianapolis.



Cost is \$125 and includes transportation, tours, tastings, lunch, and dinner. Must be 21+ to attend.

This event will SELL OUT! For Details and Registration visit www.eventbrite.com

Altemont Lodge 26, New Hampshire

**By Ymelda Rivera Laxton, Assistant Curator
Scottish Rite Masonic Museum & Library**

In 2001, the Scottish Rite Masonic Museum & Library purchased this impressive assemblage of tintypes and ambrotypes of members of an unidentified Mason lodge from a Massachusetts antiques dealer. Each of the photographs is displayed in its own individual frame within the larger frame that measures 21 ¾ by 38 ¼ inches. The names and ages of the men pictured are written on the reverse of almost every photograph in the frame. Many of the men's cheeks were tinted pink—as was commonly found in photographs of this era. At the center of the collection of images is a photograph of a Bible topped with the Masonic square and compasses. According to the seller, the framed portraits dated from the 1860s and likely originated from a New Hampshire Lodge. In the past year, research volunteer Robert Brown uncovered the story behind this photograph.

To initially identify where the photographed men were from, Bob checked the names on the back of the photographs against US Federal Census data from 1860-1880. The search revealed that 52 of the 56 men photographed lived near Peterborough, NH, around the time the portraits were taken. The ages noted on the photographs, when compared to the ages of the men as recorded in the census helped to date the images to between 1860 and 1863.

One Masonic Lodge met in Peterborough in the 1860s—Altemont Lodge 26. Eleven of the names on the back of the photographs matched up with the names of members of Altemont Lodge noted in the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, suggesting that the collection of photographs portrayed members of that Lodge. Chartered in Dublin, NH, in 1815, the Lodge moved to Peterborough in 1827. The Lodge did not meet from 1833 to 1840, but revived in 1848. By the early 1860s the Lodge appeared to be doing well. In minutes preserved at the Peterborough Library, the Lodge secretary recorded “remarks from several Brothers in regard to having our miniatures taken and placed in the Lodge Room,” in March of 1861. At the next meeting, mem-

bers agreed to pay for a “Miniature Frame” out of Lodge funds and approved a motion that “every Master Mason in regular standing in town”—be they a member of Altemont Lodge or not—“be invited to deposit their Ambrotypes with those of the Brothers of the Lodge.” The frame cost the lodge \$7. Members paid for their own photographs displayed within the frame. To have their portraits taken, Lodge members may have worked with George H Scripture, a Peterborough photographer. Raised in Souhegan Lodge in Masonville, New Hampshire, Scripture’s own portrait appears in the frame. He joined Altemont Lodge in 1865.



Photographs of 64 Members of Altemont Lodge No. 26, 1861-1863. Peterborough, New Hampshire. Museum Purchase, 2001.063. Photograph by David Bobl.

Though we do not know what prompted the brethren of Altemont Lodge to assemble their portraits, they doubtless displayed their collected portraits with pride when they moved into a new meeting room in the new Peterborough Town Hall in 1864. Their preserved photographs help tell the story of their Lodge and are an unusual example of a Masonic portrait.

To view the photograph in detail visit our flickr page at: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/digitalsrmml/albums/72157655910817021>.

Many thanks to research volunteer Robert Brown, David Simpson, and Bob Coppo of Altemont Lodge, Peterborough Public Library and the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire for their help with this project.

Think Before You Speak

by Steven J Sonafrank, Most Wise Master

A friend of mine recently posted the following statement on social media: "Why call it hatred when it is just something I don't agree with? I don't hate it. I don't hate you for feeling differently. I just don't agree. I am educated and I have read up on it. Please don't label my opinion."



Now I have no idea to what my friend was referring, but her posting gave me pause and caused me to reflect on one of the lessons taught in the Eighteenth Degree, which is respect for the honest convictions of others. I understand my friend's frustration. In this era of instant communication, it is now easy for us to expose ourselves to ridicule and contempt by simply expressing an opinion on social media. We are now able to criticize while tucked safely behind a computer screen or smartphone from the comfort of our own homes.

In my observations on social media, I've concluded that many people will support a person's right of expression as long as

they agree with what is being said. Any difference of opinion will indeed be labeled as hatred or intolerance. It seems a differing opinion authorizes character assassination. Character assassination is defined as a deliberate and sustained process that destroys the credibility and reputation of a person, institution, organization, social group, or nation.

Online ridicule hurts, but hearing gossip, misinformation, lies, and rumors about oneself in person hurts even worse. Gossip is the cousin of character assassination. If someone is gossiping to you about someone, do you ever wonder what that person gossiping to you may be saying about you behind your own back? Such behavior is toxic and can lead to hurt feelings, broken friendships, and lack of trust.

James 1:26 says, "If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless."

As Scottish Rite Masons, let us strive to respect the honest convictions of others and bridle our tongues. It's easier said than done, but we owe it to ourselves and to each other to foster brotherly love. We may disagree with each other, but we can still be friends and brothers. Remember the Golden Rule on social media and in person!



Deputy Grand Master Kenneth Roy, Jr was our guest speaker at the March Stated Meeting and Table Lodge. More than 110 Scottish Rite Brothers enjoyed a wonderful buffet followed by our speaker and the traditional toasts.

Coming "Rite" Up - 2019 Events

Board Game Nights

Join us for Board Game Night on **Friday, April 19 and Friday, May 17 at 6 pm** for an evening of single or family entertainment at the Rite. Brother Luke Stark will be hosting the



evening playing Euro-style board games such as Settlers of Catan, Ticket to Ride, Seven Wonders, Lemming Mafia, and others. Eurogames are specifically designed to be played with 2–6 people and

are enjoyable for adults as well as children and are easy to learn but difficult to master. Go to <http://aasr-indy-game.com> for reservations. \$5 per adult gets you admission with pizza and soda.

Holiday Concert



On **Sunday, March 3**, at 3 pm, the Scottish Rite Orchestra, Chorus, and Organist will present a concert for your holiday entertainment. Tickets are FREE for all members and their guests. No food service prior to this event.

Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre

Our Murder Mystery Dinner Theater is happening again on **Saturday, May 11**, at 6:30 pm. This is one of the most enjoyable experiences you will have, so be sure to mark it on your calendar and bring your friends for great food, fellowship, and to help solve who did the deed and why.

Feeling lucky? You came to the right place – the Pocono Royale Casino, the first gambling casino in the Poconos! Owner Rick lost his first casino in a nasty divorce settlement, but he's back in the action again with a brand new joint. Now the money's rolling in and so are the senior citizens. So what if they gamble away their Social Security checks? It's a free country, right?



That depends on who you talk to. The Native Americans thought it was a free country before the white men came and took it all away. Now Chief Wooden Nickel and Princess Wanna Wampum are back to reclaim what's rightfully theirs. When

Saturday, April 13 Convocation

honoring Illustrious James H Acton, 33°, and Illustrious Dwight A Boyd, 33° Class

Adoniram Lodge of Perfection Degrees

7:30-8:30 am	Candidate Check-in
8:30 am	4° Master Traveler
	14° Grand Elect Mason
	8° Intendant of the Building

Indianapolis Chapter of Rose Croix Degree

18° Knight of the Rose Croix

Indiana Consistory Degrees

20° Master Ad Vitam

The 32nd Degree will be conferred in an all-state degree next November.

Volunteer to help the Make-up and Chorus departments!

Lola, Rick's gold-digging ex-wife appears, it's obvious she has more on her mind than a family reunion.

Luckily, Rick has a sharp lawyer who's taking care of business — but whose business? And what's with those elderly Portabella sisters? They're supposed to be playing the slot machines, but they're watching male strippers and sticking their noses into everyone's business.

Tonight you'll also meet a Choc Chaser on a losing streak and Rick's daughter, Candy, who wants to be a showgirl but has two left feet.

Will the Native Americans take over the casino? Will the Choc Chaser win back his farm? Will the Portabella sisters find their missing g-string? Will Candy ever learn to dance? Will the lawyer decide how to play his cards? Will Lola and Rick get back together for richer or poorer? And will Rick ever be cured of his Bogart complex?

Stick around and keep your eyes and ears open. Because at the end of the night, someone will cash in his or her chips for the last time — and it's up to you to solve the murder!

"Dealt a Deadly Hand" will be directed by Illustrious High Burns, 33°, and it all starts at 6:30 pm in the south lounge of the Cathedral. Tickets are \$50 per person — call the office for reservations @ 317-262-3100.



Ellettsville Lodge 245 supplied the cast to put on the 10th Degree last October at our monthly Stated Meeting.

Easter Cathedral Hour

For more than 60 years, the Indianapolis Chapter of Rose Croix has honored members of the Valley of Indianapolis who have gone to their eternal rest during the preceding 12 months through its annual observance of the Easter Cathedral Hour and more recently, with the Feast of the Paschal Lamb.

The Indianapolis Chapter of Rose Croix will officiate this hour on **Sunday, April 14, at 3 pm** in the auditorium. This ceremony features dramatic tableaus surrounding the Easter season as well as an Easter message and is open to members and their guests without charge.



Bill's Membership Corner

Membership Committee Gets Fresh Look

Communications with our District Chairmen continue to be somewhat of a challenge. We are continuing to focus on Lodge Ambassadors. There is not a lot of change to report from District Chairmen this month.



Bill Ludlow

District 1

Chairman
Tom Davis is continuing to work with Roy Marr as his replacement. Roy has recently retired and hopes to be more active. We know of at least two candidates for the Spring Convocation.



District 2 Nick Gray reports that he is continuing to focus on Lodge Ambassadors.

District 3 Chairman is Steve Taylor. Steve has been very busy since before the Fall Convocation and is looking to participate more in finding Lodge Ambassadors. Mike Neeley will work with Montgomery County Lodges. Steve Taylor and Bill Ludlow will visit Zionsville and make a Scottish Rite Presentation for their Masonic Education night. They will invite all of the Boone County Lodges to this event. It appears that Boone County will have Lodge ambassadors in place by Spring Convocation. Mark Bartolovich is working toward the 10 member mark.

District 4 Chairman is David Clingan. Bob Heuchan is back and working with lodges in that area. We need to focus more in this district. Bob reports of at least one candidate we know of for the Spring Convocation. Ed Christy has volunteered to be Lodge Ambassador for Pleasant 134.

District 5 Chairman is Tracy Cooksey. We have a new member from Stanford 173 who will be our Ambassador at that lodge. We are finding that prospective members do not want to drive to Indianapolis for activities. We are discussing what kind of activities/degrees we can have in Monroe County in the form of a local club or guild.

District 6 Chairman is Dirk Rader. Brett Smith and Ohmer Miller are traveling quite a bit and are serving as and are looking for Lodge Ambassadors.

District 7 Chairman is Rob Wade. Rob is looking for Lodge Ambassadors. Ohmer Miller is traveling in this district as well.

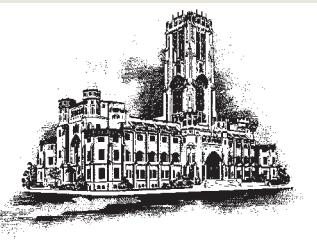
Rick Purcell has provided the following 2018-2019 information which was in last month's report:

1. 24 new Scottish Rite Freemasons from the 2018 Fall Convocation.
2. Eight new petitions since the 2018 Fall Convocation.
3. From the 2018 Fall Convocation seven new Patron Knights (blue) – one member moved up to red.
4. Three or more petitions signed since May 2018 by two Scottish Rite Freemasons - Rodney Mann and Steve Sonafrank.
5. We have four new members who witnessed the 4th degree video from the Grand Masters March 2, 2019, one-day-class at the Cathedral.
6. We have six new members who witnessed the 4th degree video before the March Table Lodge.

The current membership awards program was communicated to all of the committee. We have generated a newsletter that appears to have been met with acceptance and we will continue to publish it monthly.

My current recommendations are still the same as they were in January 2019 and that would be to continue our focus on Lodge Ambassadors and to adjust and bring District Chairmen on line as needed. My focus will be supporting and communicating with the Membership Recruitment Team and to encourage development of the Lodge Ambassadors in order to meet or beat our lodge/district recruitment goals for the Spring Convocation. Our 'boots on the ground' has to be in the form of Lodge Ambassadors.

Our members are very busy with activities outside of Masonry and finding the time to recruit can prove to be challenging. If we can find and develop lodge ambassadors who attend their lodge on a regular basis and can spread our Scottish Rite word, then our numbers should begin to trend upward.



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To the Officers and Members of The Scottish Rite, Valley of Indianapolis:

Date _____

I, _____, respectfully show that I am desirous of being admitted as a member of your honorable body, and humbly request that I may be received among you.
Please Print Full Name

QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP

All applicants must be: (1) A resident of Indiana for one year (2) A Master Mason in good standing in a Symbolic Lodge recognized by the Grand Lodge Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Indiana (3) Recommended by one (1) members of the Valley of Indianapolis.

When born _____ Place of Birth _____
Month, Day, Year _____ City _____ State _____

Resides at _____
Street _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____

I have resided in the State of Indiana _____ Year(s), and in this County _____ Months / Years (Circle One)

Occupation _____ Firm Name _____

I am now a member of _____ Lodge No. _____ F. & A.M. located at _____
Please attach a copy of your current lodge dues City, State

The Rules and Regulations provide A petition for the degrees shall be signed by the applicant's own hand, and by one member of The Scottish Rite, Valley of Indianapolis, who shall certify to his personal acquaintance with the petitioner and his qualifications for membership.

Recommended by: (Please PRINT or TYPE)

_____ Rite No. _____

Resident of _____ County _____

Payment: \$150.00 - Fee must accompany petition

() Check () Cash () Credit

Name on Card _____

Exp _____ Sec. Code _____

Card # _____

I am "Bringing a Buddy", to join with me!

Name: _____

Candidate Information

Signed: _____
First _____ Middle _____ Last _____
Initials are NOT sufficient

MAILING ADDRESS

Preferred Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____

E-mail address: _____

Spouse's Name: _____

Were you a DeMolay? _____ If yes, where _____

"Valley Visa"

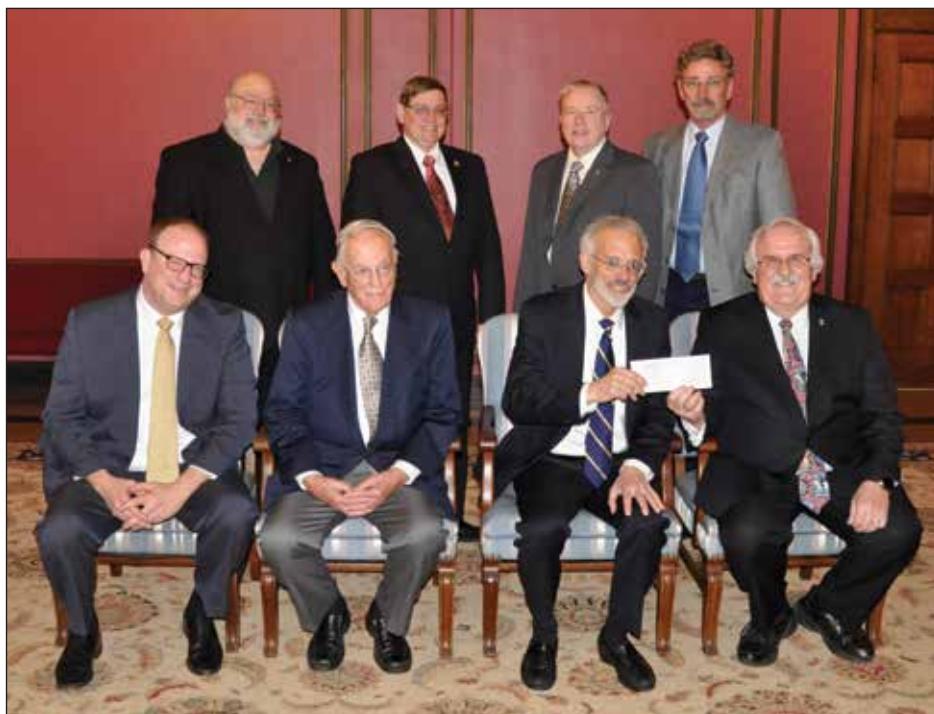
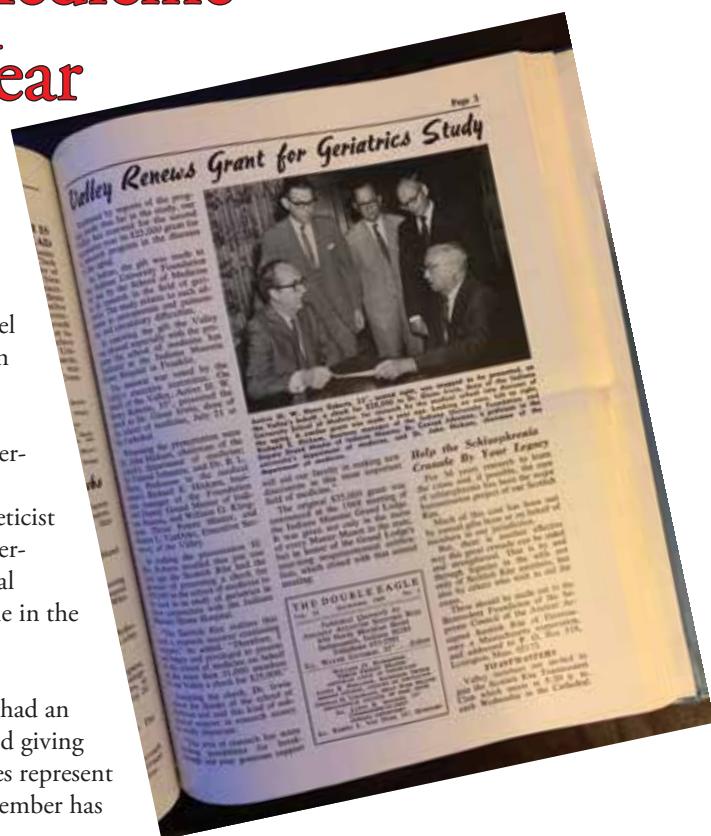
Upon receipt of petition and payment of \$150.00, petitioner will receive a temporary Membership Card or "Valley Visa" entitling said petitioner to all the rights and privileges of membership except attending tiled meetings of the Valley.

Valley Gifts School of Medicine for 51st Consecutive Year

The Indianapolis Valley is the longest consecutive donor to the Indiana University School of Medicine and continued a tradition that was begun in 1968. For 51 years, the Valley has taken a portion of the earnings from a restricted endowment that has gifted more than \$2.8 million during the past half-century. This year's gift of \$100,000 was presented at the annual luncheon attended by Doctor and Brother Michael Econs who leads a team of very dedicated people who are razor-focused on the study of osteoporosis and osteopetrosis.

Brother Michael J Econs was just appointed one of ten Indiana University faculty members as distinguished professor, the university's highest academic rank for scholars and researchers. Brother Mike is a leading geneticist in metabolic bone diseases whose research focuses on rare and poorly understood disorders, such as X-linked hypophosphatemic rickets and autosomal dominant hypophosphatemic rickets. His research has played a critical role in the discovery of the genes responsible for both of these disorders.

Econs' work has led to new diagnostic and therapeutic tools that has had an impact on patients' lives, restoring height in children, healing fractures and giving them the likelihood of avoiding many orthopedic surgeries. His discoveries represent the first time in the history of the IU School of Medicine that a faculty member has driven the science from concept through an FDA-approved therapy.



Executive Director Ill Rodney A Mann, 33° presents a \$100,000 check to Brother Mike Econs at a luncheon held at the Valley. Seated next to Econs is Dr C Conrad Johnston, Jr, 33° who led the research when the first donation was made in 1968. Trustees Ill Jerry B Maple, 33°, Ill Jerry B Collins, 33°, Ill Gary E Brinley, 33°, and Ill Nathan C Brindle, 33°, were joined by Treasurer Don R Reynolds.

2019 ALL INDIANA FREEMASON AND SHRINE GOLF OUTING

Country Club of Indianapolis

2801 Country Club Rd
Indianapolis, IN 46234

Thursday, June 6, 2019



Indiana Masonic Home
Foundation

Registration 11:00am
Shotgun Start 12:00pm
Reception/Dinner 5:00pm



Shriners Hospitals
for Children®

SPONSORSHIP LEVELS:

EVENT SPONSOR - \$5000

8 golfers, name on program, website, banner and logo on souvenir for golfers

DINNER SPONSOR - \$3000

4 golfers, name on program, website and signage at dinner, hole sign

RECEPTION SPONSOR - \$1500

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Clemens Presents Overview That Cites 20% Have Dyslexia

by Jim Keating, Chair Board of Governors

The Board of Governors of the Children's Dyslexia Center of Indianapolis met March 11 for its monthly meeting. At this event there was a special presentation given by board member

Cheryl Clemens. In addition to the board, a number of guests also attended and it was an opportunity for everyone to learn more about the way our Scottish Rite charity provides such important service to children all throughout our community.



**Cheryl Clemens
Board of Governors**

children who struggle with reading difficulties. She was a strong advocate for legislation, passed last year, which will give support to educators working with students who suffer with dyslexia. In that regard she worked with the Indiana Legislature but has also been an advocate in Washington, DC urging Congress to do more.

In her talk, Clemens cited the fact that dyslexia has an impact on many people. Up to 20 percent of the entire American population suffers from dyslexia, but it is not always accompanied by painful or otherwise obvious symptoms. For children, the diagnosis of dyslexia frequently comes far too late and then it is difficult for students to overcome the problem. Sadly, the result of this is that young people fail in school simply because they do not have the reading skills needed for success.

Research shows there are misconceptions about dyslexia. For example, dyslexia is NOT any of the following:

1. a vision problem
2. a developmental disability
3. a degenerative disease
4. a lack of motivation or effort

Yet each of these misconceptions is exactly what most people associate with students who do poorly in school. Too often, when the first three issues are explored without finding a problem, then it is common for people to blame the student. Students are profoundly frustrated when they hear people say, "Try harder! You are just being lazy!" Even worse, there are times when other students taunt poor readers calling them dumb and insulting them in other ways. Imagine how hard it is for the children who hear this.

Cheryl pointed out that early intervention is critical. The data shows that about 90 percent of students with dyslexia will be fine, if they receive intervention and learn reading strategies by the first grade. However, only a few years later, by age 9 or 10, about 75 percent of students who did not receive help at the early age will be left to struggle for life. Think of that.

It is also a fact that reading problems are widespread, possibly more widespread than people think. By the fourth grade over half of all students lack proficiency reading; and this is a problem affecting private, public, parochial, and charter

schools. No schools are immune! Of course, we want to help but the later we begin, the harder the task will be. It is surely obvious it is better for the child and less costly for the schools to do early intervention.

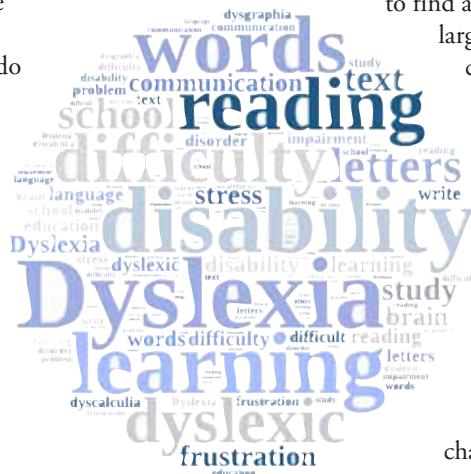


One possible explanation for poor results in reading is that we don't teach it well or even in the right ways. We cannot just assume that students who are exposed to books will automatically become skilled readers. Some might; many others cannot make sense of the marks on the page. This may be due to their inability to make phonetic sense of the letters they see. In technical terms this means they lack "phonemic awareness." (A phoneme is a small segment of sound and groups of phonemes make up words. The student who cannot "see" phonemes cannot make sense of words.) Therefore, reading

instruction must be done in a way that helps students develop this critical phonetic awareness.

Unfortunately many schools do very little to address dyslexia and some even deny the condition exists. It is bad enough that schools do so little, but what little they do is often the wrong thing. That is, the way reading is presented to students really matters. That's the reason programs such as ours at the Scottish Rite are so important. We take an approach that is best described as "multi-sensory instruction." This means we teach reading using visual approaches, of course, but also auditory and kinesthetic methods. The result is that our students learn to see, hear, and even feel the letters that make phonemes in the English language.

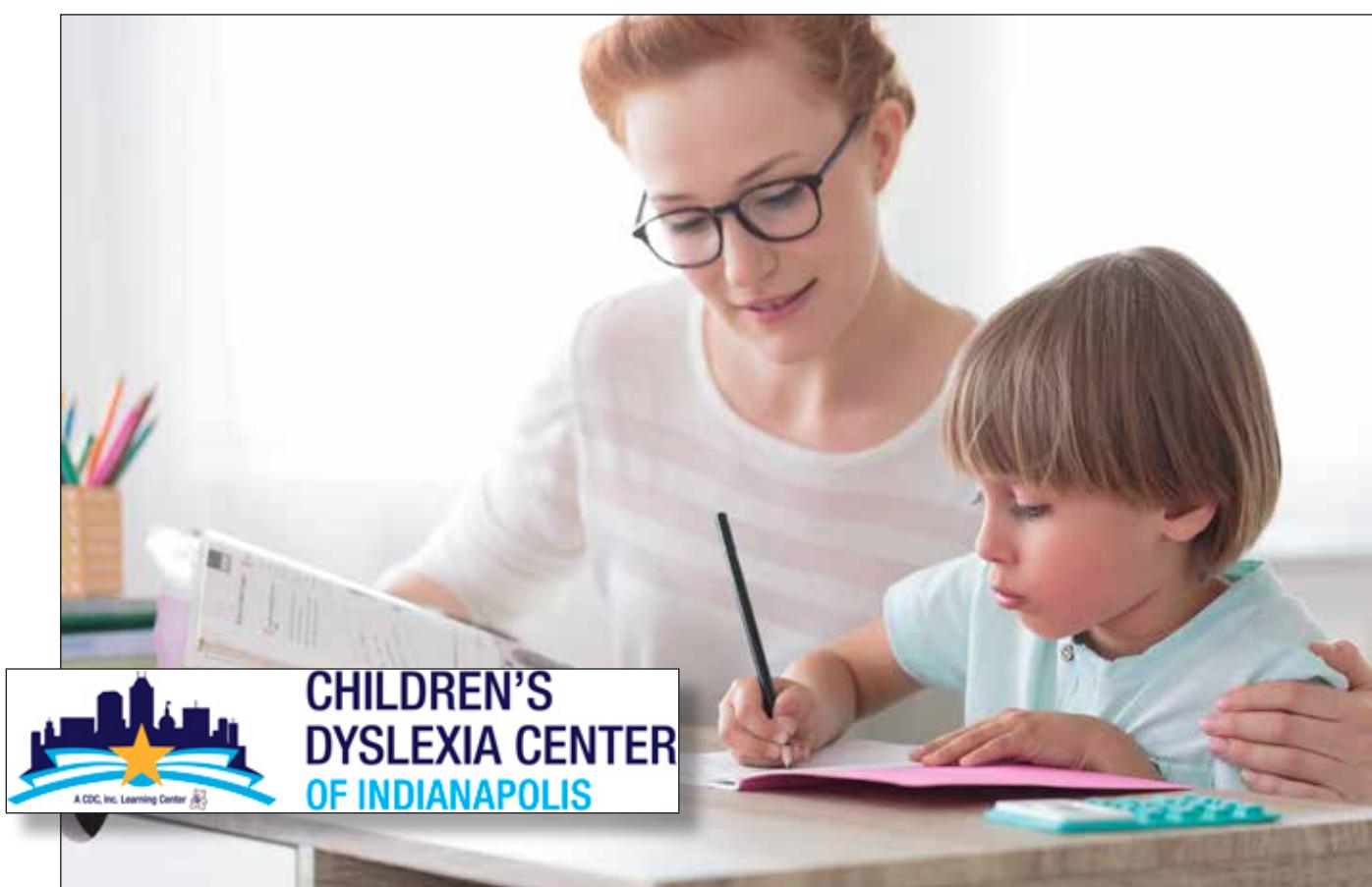
The Scottish Rite has taken the lead in helping lawmakers understand the nature of dyslexia and the ways it can be overcome. Cheryl Clemens pointed out that at present there are 107



members of Congress, from both parties, working in a dyslexia caucus. For example, lawmakers at the federal and state levels are discussing how schools can provide better accommodations for the needs of dyslexic students. It is remarkable and hopeful to find an issue, such as this one, that can unite such a large number of people across the aisle! This is cause for hope.

There is a growing awareness of dyslexia and we can be proud that the Northern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite has, for years, taken the lead in providing services to children in our communities. The Children's Dyslexia Centers are open to all children suffering from this condition and without regard for their race, religion, school district, or Masonic affiliation. And most important of all, the service is provided without charge to the children or their families.

We are right to be proud of our Children's Dyslexia Center in Indianapolis, its staff, and the Director, Julie Bohannon. And we are proud to make a difference in the lives of so many young people. For twenty years we have been doing this work....a Masonic service in the best sense.



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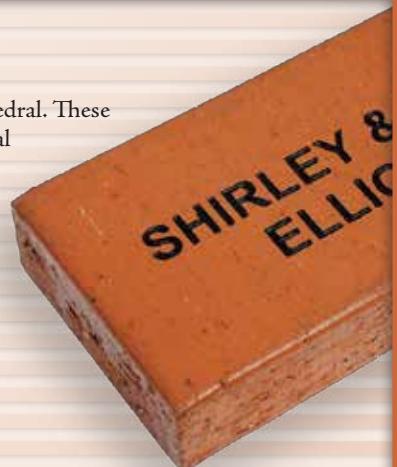
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Members of the Indianapolis Valley were treated to a presentation of the DeMolay Degree by members of Speedway Chapter. The kids ranged from 12-16 years old. It must have been a little intimidating to have the curtain go up and perform in front of 100+ Masons at a Stated Meeting, but they did a great job! Left to right - gray robes: Owen Vermeulen & Raymond Hackney, Jr. Black robes: Joshua Hackney, Griffin Vermeulen, & Ryan Andrews. Back row: Joshua Mackey, Jerry Alderman - adviser, Ean Figueiredo, Patrick Elmore - Chapter Dad, Mathew Bryant - Adviser, Devon Alderman, Eric Vermeulen - Chairman, & Ill Thomas A Fallis, 33° - Indiana Executive Officer.