



VALLEY ECHOES



MARCH 2021

Announcing Join the Rite Nights

The Scottish Rite, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, is excited to officially announce “Join the Rite Nights” at Thursday Night at the Rite!

The 4° is a requisite for membership in the Scottish Rite, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction. To provide Master Masons the opportunity to witness the 4° from the safety and convenience of home, approved candidates will have the opportunity to take their first steps into Scottish Rite Freemasonry and witness the 4°: Builder at 7:30 PM ET online on any of the following dates:

March 4, March 18, April 15, and April 29

Consistory Golf

RICH VALLEY G.C. Mechanicsburg, PA

Second Thursday of the Month

April – October

8:30am Start Time

Cost \$38.00

Includes: 18 Holes, Cart, Prizes and Meal



Coming Events

MARCH 2021

12 Stated Meeting 7:00pm

APRIL 2021

9 Stated Meeting 7:00pm

17 BLOOD DRIVE 9:00—5:00

26 Executive Committee Meeting
7:00 pm

MAY 2021

8 Virtual Reunion 4°

14 Stated Meeting 7:00pm

22 Virtual Reunion 32°

22 Chicken Barbecue Smoker

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**VALLEY OF HARRISBURG SPRING REUNION
SATURDAY MAY 22, 2021**

Brethren the Valley of Harrisburg is pleased to announce that we will be holding a Spring Reunion. In conjunction with Supreme Council we are planning a Virtual Reunion where the 32° Degree, Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret, will be shown Virtually on the big screens in the Auditorium. We have numerous candidates waiting to see this degree and in accordance with COVID-19 protocols and safety measures we feel this is the best and safest way to present the degree. The Supreme Council will be showing the 4° Degree and several other degrees throughout March, April and May culminating with the Virtual 32° on May 22nd.

The Valley will also host a Chicken Barbecue under a large tent in the parking lot. There will be a live band, Bingo Games and for the Cigar Aficionados, an outdoor smoking area. Hiram and Solomon Cigars will once again be on site. This event is open to the members, their families and friends.



VALLEY OF HARRISBURG REUNION BARBECUE
Members, Family & Friends
Cigar Lodge No. 1

HIRAM & SOLOMON CIGARS

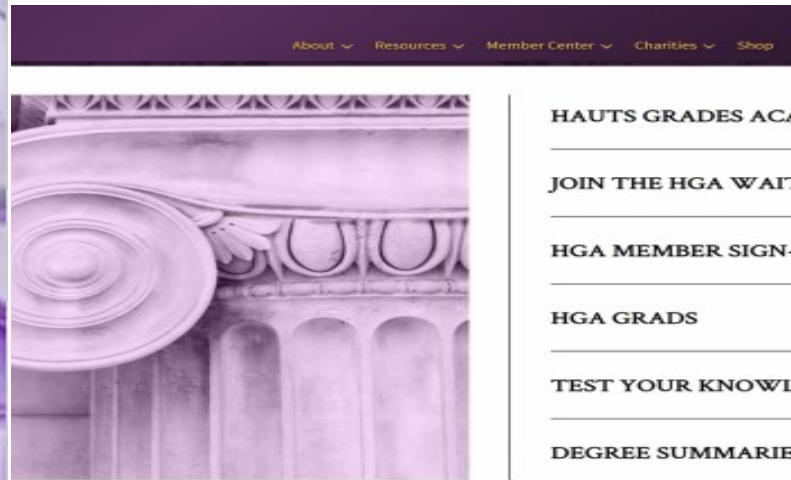
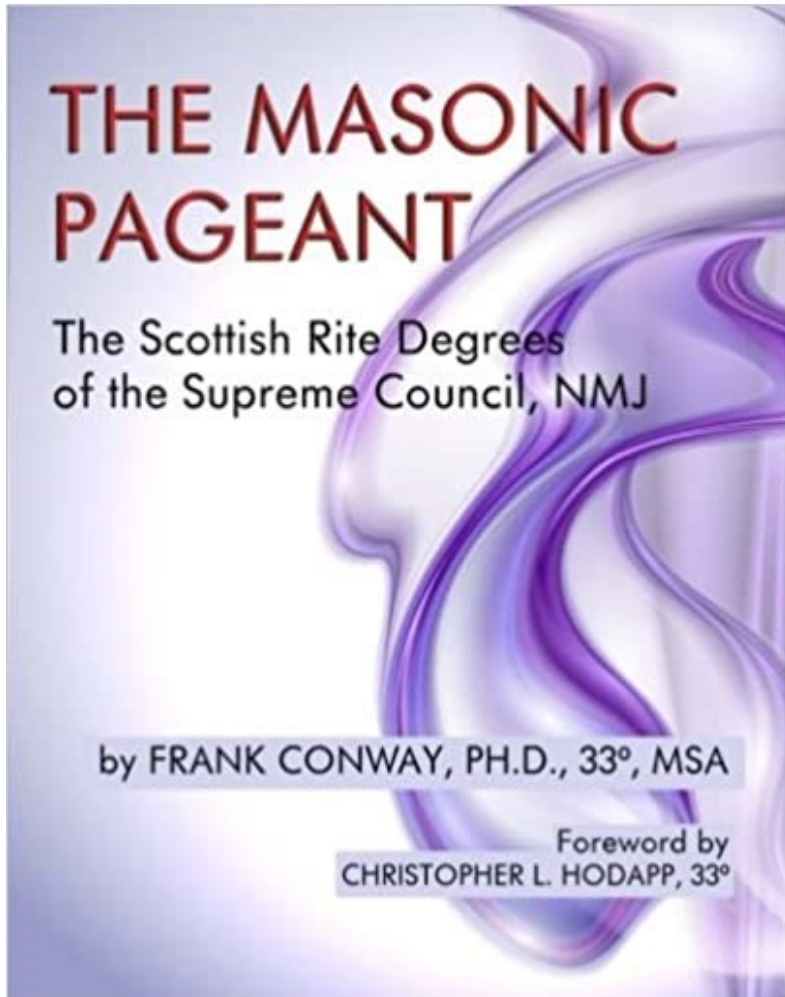
BYOB

Live Band - Large Tent - Cigar Area
Casual Dress

\$15.00 per person

TO RSVP CALL: 717-238-8867
email: john@valleyofharrisburg.org

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR HEADCOUNT



VALLEY OFFERS NEW MEMBERS A CHOICE

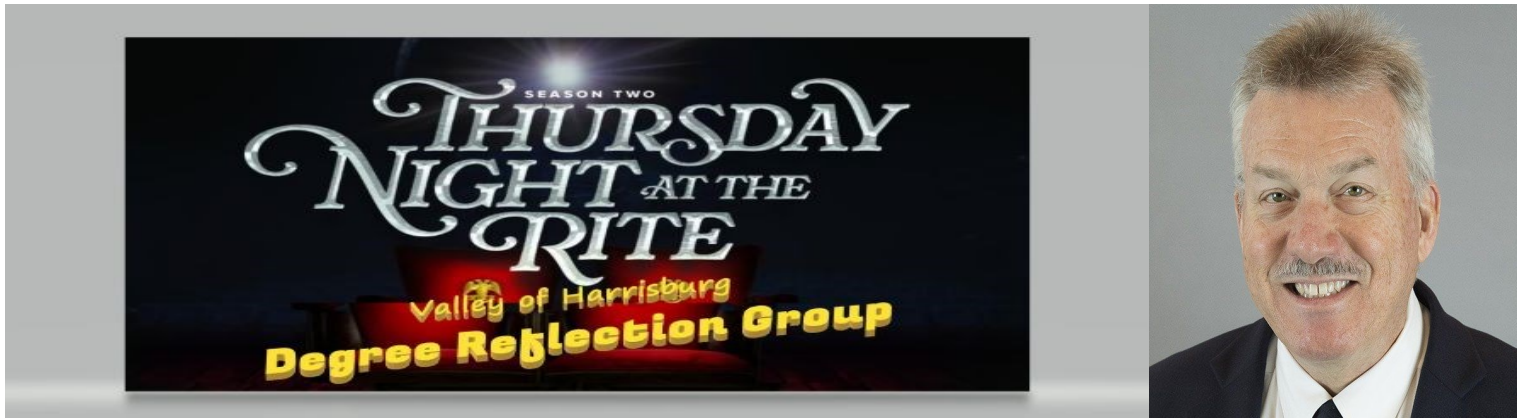
While it has been a long-standing tradition of the Valley of Harrisburg to give every new member a Bible with Masonic information included, and bearing the embossed emblem of the Scottish Rite, many members have commented over the years that they had received something similar when joining their Blue Lodge. **NOW, THE NEW MEMBERS ARE GIVEN A CHOICE!**

If they would like to have the Bible, it is available for them, as before. But if they already have a Bible, they can choose a copy of **THE MASONIC PAGEANT**, written by Frank Conroy, Ph.D., 33rd °, MSA. This 330 page volume is a magnificent study-guide to the Scottish Rite Degrees of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, and includes a summary and an evaluation of each Degree.

Written by Bro. Conroy independently, it received an unequivocal “thumbs-up” from the Sovereign Grand Commander, David A. Glattly, 33rd °, who said, "This is a must read for all Scottish Rite Masons as it is enjoyable and educational simultaneously. This work meets the vision of the NMJ, as it is inspirational, enjoyable and convenient to read at one's leisure."

Upon review of the volume, by several present and past officers of the Valley, and after his own consideration, Commander-in-Chief Phil Rickert decided that the new members deserved to have the choice of which book to take home at the end of the Reunion. Our newest members who have not yet received the 32nd Degree, because of the pandemic, will be able to pick up a copy on Saturday, May 22nd at the 32nd Degree Celebration being planned.

The book is available to anyone at a variety of book sellers on-line and sells for approximately \$30 or call the office and reserve a copy.



REFLECTING THE BEST OF YOU

THURSDAY NIGHT AT THE RITE, a series of bi-weekly degree videos, are hosted on alternating Thursday evenings. The schedule is available on the Supreme Council Website and in our Valley of Harrisburg Facebook Group. These video presentations offer us an opportunity to do something we cannot easily do at our reunions; and that is to reflect on what we have seen and heard.

The Valley of Harrisburg Reflection Team was formed in 2019 to create a method and opportunity to reflect following ONE degree during a Reunion. Being limited to just one degree, the intent was to show that the process of true reflection can help members learn so much more about the degrees and themselves, and that they can do it on their own, as well. Clearly the reflection periods have helped participants understand the degrees and how the core values of the Scottish Rite really relate to us in our daily lives. The team has led discussions of the 4th, 17th, 23rd, 24th and 27th degrees, and are preparing to lead reflection periods after EVERY video presented by the Supreme Council.

The purpose of reflection has been very carefully studied as a legitimate and important aid to learning and comprehension. For those who are interested in the science behind it, look up Fink's Taxonomy of Significant Learning. This was the subject of Bro. Michael Moran's research paper to graduate from the Hauts Grades Academy—the important educational program of the Scottish Rite.

Bro. Moran's paper is available on the Supreme Council website. He works with the Reflection Team to make sure that they are prepared with questions that will elicit responses showing growth, learning and understanding of the degrees. While the reflection periods are going on, Bro. Moran is tracking the responses and making sure that the team is leading a valuable reflection period. Following each reflection a two-minute survey is taken to gather data for Bro. Moran's follow up to his research paper—proof that his theories are workable and essential to quality understanding of the Scottish Rite Degrees.

We are thankful to Bro. Moran for his leadership, and for the other members of the Reflection Team who are facilitating the discussions. They are Mark Mattern, TPM, Charlie Goetz, Arthur Dinger, Richard Wenner, William Britton, Matthew Randolph and Tom Labagh.

Every member should engage in degree reflection—every candidate, every member, every officer, every 33rd Degree member--- **ALL SHOULD REFLECT ON THE DEGREES AND GROW THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF THE SCOTTISH RITE!**

ANCIENT ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY

2021 Abbott Scholarship Program

One of Freemasonry's fundamental principles is a belief in the importance of the educated mind. Freedom, understanding, and brotherhood are dependent upon our ability to reason effectively. That is why the Masonic fraternity, and Scottish Rite in particular, have long been committed to fostering the value of education. The Abbott Scholarships began with a portion of the legacy of the late Leon M. Abbott, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander from 1921-1932. Each year, more than 300 scholarships are awarded to eligible and deserving students attending accredited colleges, universities, and specialty schools.

The Abbott Scholarship Program provides financial support for the continuing undergraduate and graduate education of Scottish Rite Masons, young men and women from Scottish Rite families, and Masonic-related youth groups.

Eligibility Requirements

Those meeting any of the following criteria are eligible to apply for the 2021 Abbott Scholarship program:

- A Scottish Rite Mason of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction who is in good standing.
- A student related (by blood or legal means) to a current or deceased member of the Scottish Rite in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction.

A member of a Masonically sponsored youth group located within the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction (ex - DeMolay International, Job's Daughters, Order of Rainbow for Girls)

To be considered for an Abbott Scholarship, applicants must meet one of the following qualifications (please note that local Valleys may have more strict GPA requirements):

- A high school senior, currently accepted at an accredited trade school who has attained a minimum grade point average of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale.

A high school senior, undergraduate, or graduate student currently enrolled at an accredited college or university.

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE VALLEY OFFICE NO LATER THAN APRIL 15, 2021 TO BE CONSIDERED.

YOU MAY DOWNLOAD THE APPLICATION FROM THE NMJ WEBSITE AT; <https://scottishritenmj.org/abbott>

NECROLOGY

18235	LOUIS CHARLES SAGGERS	PALMYRA	11/19/2010
31660	RALPH IRVIN McLAUGHLIN	QUARRYVILLE	12/12/2010
25298	CLARENCE WILLIAM ZECHMAN	JONESTOWN	12/4/2015
22330	JOHN CLARKSON MANIFOLD	RED LION	1/11/2016
26244	KENNETH HERR LANTZ JR	LEMOYNE	2/27/2016
38496	CHAUNCEY RAY BLUBAUGH JR	YORK	3/3/2016
14074	HARRY IRVING OBERHOLTZER	SAINT JOHNS	5/9/2016
18884	WILLIAM GEORGE RENSHAW	PALMYRA	6/19/2016
26456	RICHARD VAUGHN EMERSON	GETTYSBURG	9/24/2016
25973	CARL DAVID LAWLEY	NEWTON	2/23/2017
26324	ELI STECK	MECHANICSBUR	8/13/2017
34148	MELVIN BERK	VENICE	12/9/2017
21605	WAYNE WILLIAM BAUGHMAN	EVERETT	5/10/2018
28276	EMORY MARTAIN PEPO	WRIGHTSVILLE	5/25/2018
31655	JOSEPH CHARLES MANZINGER	SEWICKLEY	6/18/2018
27566	ROBERT LEE SWIFT	ELIZABETHTOWN	6/19/2018
15115	EARL PHILLIP HERTING	ELIZABETHTOWN	7/8/2018
22537	HOWARD JOSEPH BEINHOWER	DOVER	8/19/2018
23441	WALTER DUNCAN BUREL	GETTYSBURG	10/1/2018
21641	PAUL ISAAC DETWILER JR	BEDFORD	10/11/2018
27118	GUY ARTHUR RAUPACH	GLENCOE	10/21/2018
18112	PHILIP LeROY GARRETT	Lehigh Valley	11/6/2018
17708	CHARLES GLENN FICKES	MIFFLINBURG	11/27/2018
29261	THERON WILLIAM KINTER	CAMP HILL	1/18/2019
31979	MARLIN ELWOOD KOPPENHAVER	SACRAMENTO	3/15/2019
34189	RICHARD LeROY HEIMBACH	SNELLVILLE	3/18/2019
24098	RICHARD LEE GRIMES	CORNWALL	4/6/2019
30732	RICHARD MEISENHOLDER POTTS	YORK	6/19/2019
16649	EDWARD CURTIN BITNER	ROCKAWAY	8/6/2019
38241	ROBERT HENREY DECK	HUMMELSTOWN	8/23/2019
38354	JAY WHITE McBRIDE	CARLISLE	9/10/2019
31555	RAYMOND HUMMEL CALDWELL	HARRISBURG	9/11/2019
24680	RICHARD EDWIN KAUFFMAN	HARRISBURG	9/12/2019
36833	RONALD HENRY BOWERSOX	SHREWSBURY	9/21/2019
30211	JUNIOR MIKE WAYBRIGHT	LEBANON	10/20/2019
28883	RONALD LEE BEAL	DILLSBURG	10/22/2019
42185	CARROLL EDWARD DITZLER	MOUNT GRETNA	11/9/2019
26266	KURT MOSES	HARRISBURG	11/9/2019
21854	JOHN FORREY GARBER JR	WILLOW STREET	12/2/2019
43861	JOHN JOSEPH BAKER	BENSALEM	12/31/2019
31077	ROBERT HOWARD WILLIS	NEW	1/3/2020
35215	KENNETH WILLIAM COOPER	EVERETT	1/6/2020
27423	GLENN EUGENE FLAHARTY	YORK	1/29/2020
27066	WILLIAM EDWARD MOYER	CARLISLE	2/7/2020
29883	ROGER EDWIN STABLEY	W MANCHESTER	2/17/2020
18480	STANLEY ROYER KETTERING	MC LEAN	3/7/2020
22982	EDGAR WILLIAM IRWIN	MEYERSDALE	3/19/2020
34629	MARLYN DEAN STAUFFER	CODORUS	3/20/2020
19561	ANDREW LEVENDIS	Kennett Square	4/6/2020
19251	ALBERT PRINCE SCHINK	SHIPPENSBURG	4/29/2020
15852	RICHARD IRA BACASTOW	STATE COLLEGE	4/29/2020
26779	RICHARD EDEN BOWMAN	ANNVILLE	5/9/2020
25464	KENNETH EUGENE LOUDY	MIDDLEBURG	5/20/2020
27182	AMMON LEVERE SHELLEY	RED LION	5/27/2020
19414	FRANKLIN IRA BACHMAN	JONESTOWN	5/28/2020
25157	ROBERT LEE GERLACH	ELIZABETHTOWN	5/31/2020
36050	WILLIAM HARRY TONKIN	STRASBURG	6/1/2020
38877	JAMES ROBERT PAVIOL	HOUSTON	6/2/2020
25569	RICHARD LUTHER WEIBLEY	HARRISBURG	6/16/2020

26069	DAVID NEFF WISE	SHIREMANSTOW	7/2/2020
26118	JOSEPH PROKOPCHAK	OCEAN VIEW	9/4/2020
27416	EDWARD THOMAS DURKIN	MECHANICSBUR	9/4/2020
22697	KENNETH JACOB LATSHAW	HANOVER	10/4/2020
33083	WILLIAM LARRY BORRELL	ELIZABETHTOWN	10/10/2020
30564	GORDON HOOVER CULLINGS	DILLSBURG	10/16/2020
35155	MAX WAYNE ANKNEY	SOMERSET	10/26/2020
34230	RICHARD LEROY PYLES	MOUNT UNION	10/26/2020
14402	WINFIELD ROSS BOYD JR	LEBANON	10/27/2020
27411	PAUL EDWARD DEITZEL JR	ETTERS	10/29/2020
39181	JAMES MITCHEL DELOZIER	CAMP HILL	11/9/2020
38324	HARRISON WILLIAM LaROSA	LEBANON	11/11/2020
35581	PURCELL HOMER BOHRER	GETTYSBURG	11/17/2020
25834	PAUL HAROLD GISH	ROCKFORD	11/19/2020
32242	CHARLES ADRIAN ASTFALK	MATTHEWS	11/22/2020
14149	WALTER JORDAN SENER	HUMMELSTOWN	11/27/2020
23381	RICHARD ELWOOD SHEESLEY	HARRISBURG	11/28/2020
32516	MARK LINDBERGH ARTZ	VALLEY VIEW	12/2/2020
38427	ARTHUR LEE SOWERS	ELIZABETHTOWN	12/5/2020
33948	ROBERT LEE KOSER	HARRISBURG	12/6/2020
19473	ELMER LEROY DUTTERA	YORK	12/6/2020
39165	WILLIAM OLIVER BRICKER	SHERMANS DALE	12/8/2020
42348	ROBERT BENJAMIN BROWN	LANCASTER	12/8/2020
32433	FRANCIS EDGAR STALEY	SMITHSBURG	12/8/2020
30091	LLOYD EUGENE LEHMAN	ELIZABETHVILLE	12/11/2020
25967	KENNETH RICHARD KRUMBINE	MIDDLETOWN	12/13/2020
30218	KENNETH EDWARD WHITE	SUNBURY	12/17/2020
30284	KENNETH EUGENE SHOCKEY	SOMERSET	12/18/2020
27502	GLENN JAY MOSTOLLER	HOOVERVILLE	12/20/2020
18950	JAMES IRVIN YETTER	MIFFLINTOWN	12/20/2020
29705	WILLIAM EDWIN BICKHART JR	MECHANICSBUR	12/20/2020
31932	WALLACE BRUCE GRISSINGER	MECHANICSBUR	12/21/2020
32836	DONALD EDWIN MILLER SR	COLUMBIA	12/21/2020
28563	RUSSELL MAYER SCHADE	VALLEY VIEW	12/21/2020
30000	DARWIN LEVERE DOLL	YORK	12/22/2020
36292	LARRY EDWARD FAUSON	CHAMBERSBURG	12/22/2020
40928	KERMIT BURDETTE HARRY JR	NEWPORT	12/25/2020
30784	PAUL RAYMOND SUMMERS	YORK	12/25/2020
34864	LEROY DONNARD FALS	WRIGHTSVILLE	12/26/2020
24689	HAROLD OLIVER KNAPP	YORK	12/27/2020
34248	EMMETT LEE SHULENBERGER	ELIZABETHTOWN	12/27/2020
36107	JOHN ROBERT FILSON	MECHANICSBUR	12/28/2020
35313	ROBERT LEON JONES	MECHANICSBUR	12/29/2020
34580	EARL EUGENE LINEBAUGH II	EAST BERLIN	1/6/2021
30710	RICHARD VERNON MILLER JR	BEL AIR	1/11/2021
40006	DANIEL WEBSTER McCLAIN	HARRISBURG	1/12/2021
35078	RONALD DEAN WALKER	PALMYRA	1/13/2021
43121	CHARLES NORTON MILLER	SPRING GROVE	1/14/2021
35977	RAYMOND ALLEN SMITH	MARIETTA	1/14/2021
39922	DAVID REESE FILSON JR	FELTON	1/15/2021
30181	JOHN SPENCER SMITH	CHAMBERSBURG	1/20/2021
45786	WILLIAM FRANCIS MCLAUGHLIN	Chambersburg	1/23/2021
36843	JOHN RIDGELY CARROLL JR	SHREWSBURY	1/23/2021
28928	EVANS NORMAN FISHEL	RED LION	1/29/2021
33200	HAROLD STANTON DAVIS JR	DILLSBURG	1/29/2021
29981	ERNEST ELWOOD CASSEL	ELIZABETHTOWN	2/2/2021
27207	OSCAR EARL SQUIRE	MECHANICSBUR	2/2/2021
39657	KEITH ROBERT SEWARD	ANNVILLE	2/6/2021
31860	AMMON JAMES BOMBERGER	MYERSTOWN	2/6/2021

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ALLEGIANCE

The Bodies of the Scottish Rite, sitting in the Valley of Harrisburg, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acknowledge and yield 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 in Lexington, Massachusetts, and whose

Officers are:

- III :. David A. Glattly, 33°
Sovereign Grand Commander
- III :. Robert J. Bateman, 33°
Deputy for Pennsylvania
- III:. Robert C. Snyder II, 33°
Deputy Representative for Harrisburg

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NOTICE OF STATED MEETINGS

Dear Brother:

Stated Meetings of the several Bodies of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry in the Valley of Harrisburg will be held in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, 2701 N. Third St., Harrisburg, PA.

FRIDAY, MARCH 12
FRIDAY, APRIL 09
AND
FRIDAY MAY 14
at 7:00 o'clock p.m.

Mark G. Mattern, 32°, Thrice Potent Master
Nathan C. Minnich, 32°, Sovereign Prince
Richard C. Bledsoe, Jr, 33°, Most Wise Master
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