

4 COORDINATE BODY COMMUNICATOR



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WELCOME TO OUR NEW WAY TO INFORM OUR MEMBERS

At the last meeting of the Board of Trustees, the Presiding Officers of the 4 Coordinate Bodies were given permission to launch a newsletter each month to increase communication with our membership. Each of you is a vital part of the fellowship and success of our Rite. We hope the information in this newsletter every month will inundate you with news and information about what is happening in YOUR Valley!!!!

Inside our inaugural edition you will find information about:

- Your Valley Learning Center
- Report on our activity with the Valley of Akron
- An update from our Valley Treasurer
- Upcoming Degrees and much more

We want to work with you to continually strengthen our Valley. Thank you for your membership in the Valley of Cleveland. We hope to see you at one of our many events!!

Fraternally,

Arthur D. Dunger
Thrice Potent Master
Eliadah Lodge of Perfection

Robert C. Cygan
Sovereign Prince
Bahurim Council

Gregory M. Kita
Most Wise Master
Ariel Chapter

Timothy R. Forte
Commander in Chief
Lake Erie Consistory

*"The only
hope of a
better world
still abides
in the simple
command...
LOVE one
another."*

Junior Warden,

Feast of the

Paschal Lamb

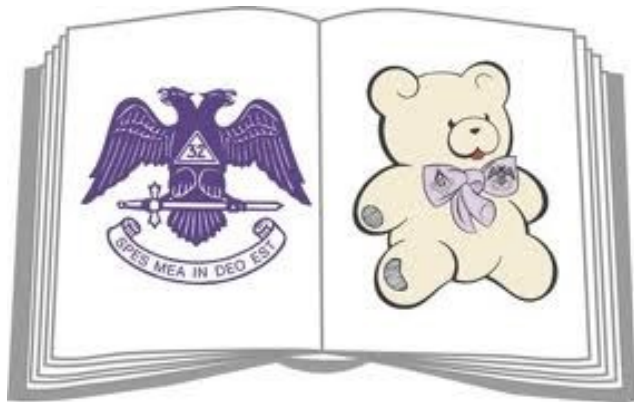
Excellent Ritual Continues In Our Valley

On Saturday, January 26, 2019 the Valley of Cleveland participated in the Six Valley Degree Day hosted by the Valley of Canton. Under the direction of Illustrious Brother Walter Klein, 33° and Brother Willie Stamper, the Valley of Cleveland conferred their degree, in typical Valley of Cleveland fashion... the ritual work was excellent!!! The degree was headlined by Illustrious Brother Roger Edgington, 33° and John Whitehouse, MSA. The cast was very large and filled with dedicated members of our Valley.

Thank you to everyone who work so hard to make this a huge success!!

NEWS FROM YOUR CLEVELAND MASONIC LEARNING CENTER

By: **Carol Perry, Director**



The Cleveland Children's Dyslexia Center, formally known as the 32° Masonic Learning Centers for Children, was established in 1993. Since that time, with the guidance and generous support of the Masonic family, a network of Learning Centers has been established throughout the Northern District.

The Learning Centers provide individualized tutoring for children who struggle with reading because of dyslexia. The children enrolled at the Center are typically exceptionally bright and creative, but dyslexia often interferes with the acquisition of language and reading skills.

The specialized instruction provided at the Centers, at no charge to the families served, helps children to stop guessing at words as they learn to decode text. Lessons start at the beginning with the alphabet and the corresponding sounds are learned. After the basic phonemes are mastered, simple syllables are introduced followed by increasingly more complex word patterns. Spelling rules are taught, as well as Greek and Latin morphology, which aides in vocabulary building.

During lessons concepts and skills are not just taught; they are practiced and reviewed until the child gain automaticity. Reading fluency with good reading comprehension is the goal. Children generally complete their tenure at the Learning Center within two years. Many children graduate the program with reading comprehension in the above average range, as measured with standardized testing.

Since the Cleveland Center opened its doors in 2000, hundreds of children have benefited from direct multisensory instruction. Reports of former students' successes include the following: Anthony, a premedical student at the University of Dayton; Dianne, majoring in chemistry at Cleveland State; Travis, a heating and cooling installation pro; Matthew, majoring in marine biology.

The young people who benefit from the Children's Dyslexia Center program will ultimately benefit their families and community. Thank you to all who have provided the gift of literacy. Your Learning Center is doing great work as behalf of the Valley of Cleveland. Thank you for your support of the Annual Walk, Souper Bowl Supper, and fundraisers throughout the year. Our Center is a success because of the generosity of the members of Valley of Cleveland and our Masonic Family!!!!

Help Us Reach A Class of 100 on May 4th

With the approval of holding our Spring Reunion on Saturday May 4, 2019 without a fee to our candidates, the Membership Committee and Board of Trustees are working hard to spread the word about joining the Valley of Cleveland on May 4th!! **We have set a goal of 100 NEW MEMBERS!!!!** Letters have gone out to each of the 43 lodges we serve. We are now scheduling a personal visit in each of the lodges.

Help us spread the message about increasing light in Masonry by joining May 4th as we celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Order of DeMolay. We are being very aggressive to take advantage of the opportunity to join the Scottish Rite Valley of Cleveland at no cost to the candidate. Please join us in spreading the word in your lodge and in your travels!!

Make sure to join us on Saturday May 4th for this exciting and special day in the Valley of Cleveland!



JOIN ARIEL CHAPTER, ROSE CROIX FOR THE
FEAST OF THE PASCHAL LAMB ON SUNDAY APRIL 14, 2019 at 3:00 PM
3615 Euclid Avenue in the DeMolay Room Refreshments to follow



Valley Goes To The Monsters

On Sunday January 6, 2019 the Valley of Cleveland had a joint event with the Valley of Akron. We headed to Quicken Loans Arena for the Cleveland Monster's Hockey Game. Over 70 members and families were in attendance.

Everyone in attendance was entered to win a Zamboni ride. The Junior Warden of Ariel Chapter was selected for the ride. Pictured to the right is Sublime Prince Bob Nilsen during his ride on the Zamboni!!!! The expression on his face tells you how successful the event was.

After the event several families continued the fellowship of the afternoon at the Chocolate Bar just a short walk from the Q.

Thank you to the Valley of Cleveland Activities Committee chaired by Sublime Prince Eddie Jones and to the Valley of Akron for a successful event!



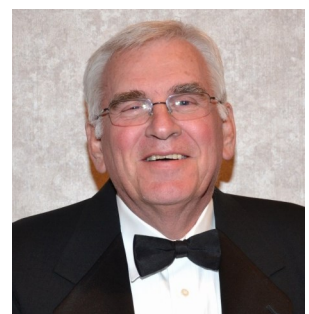
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Pictured above and on the left: Illustrious Brother Alan Jones is showing his grandson Zachary a rinkside view of the Sublime Prince Bob Nilsen's Zamboni ride while (to the right) Sublime Prince Bob Berteau is getting some wise counsel from our Secretary, Illustrious Brother Bob Homoly.

From The Treasurer's Desk

Happy New Year! The Valley continues to operate within its means and we are slightly ahead of budget for the first five months of the year. We still have approximately 325 members who have not yet paid their dues. Please double check to see that you are not on this list and remit your payment if you have failed to do so. If there is financial difficulty, please call the secretary to see if anything can be done. We took a hefty hit to our portfolio during December do to the volatility in the market place. I see no reason to knee jerk and sell off any of our positions. Based on my current forecast for the remainder of the year, I don't see any reasons to draw down on the portfolio. I am usually in the office on Mondays and Thursdays if you want to discuss the finances of the valley. Sublime Prince Tom Lindsey, Treasurer



Next Degree.....
Bahurim Council of
Princes of Jerusalem
15th Degree – Knight of the East
Monday February 4, 2019 7:00 PM
Robert C. Cygan 32°, Sovereign Prince Presiding

In the year B.C. 586, by order of Nebuchadnezzar, King of Babylon, thousands of the more prominent Jews were deported from Palestine and settled in colonies in various parts of Babylonia. Cyrus the Great, who conquered Babylonia in B.C. 538 and founded the Persian Empire, issued a decree permitting the captive people to return to their homeland and to rebuild their shrines. Darius I continued this generous policy and gave substantial aid to the returning exiles. Both Cyrus and Darius were disciples of Zoroaster. They believed in one God, who demands righteousness from his worshippers. These religious beliefs, similar in many respects to the faith of the Jews, motivated their considerate attitude toward the captive people.

Inspired by such leaders as Zerubbabel, Ezra and Nehemiah, groups of Jews endured the hardships of the long journey, and joined with their loyal brethren in Jerusalem to rebuild the Holy City and the Temple of their God. The second Temple was completed and dedicated in B.C. 516.

In the Allegories of the Fifteenth and Sixteenth Degrees, we are taught, by the example of Zerubbabel, the important lessons of loyalty to conviction, fidelity to duty and devotion to Truth.

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at you, you have
millions of brothers
to help you catch it.**



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