

# 4 COORDINATE BODY COMMUNICATOR



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## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR LEARNING CENTER GRADUATES AND SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



On Wednesday June 26, 2019 the Valley of Cleveland packed the Allen Room with Members, family, and friends as we celebrated the accomplishments of 9 Learning Center Graduates. They are pictured with our Director, Carol Perry, on the left.

The evening began with Forest City Commandery presenting the American Flag. Forest City Commandery has been extremely generous to the Learning Center for many, many years. The Sir Knights were presented a Gold Tie in recognition of their generosity by Chairman of the Board of Governors, Bonnie Youngblood. The evening also included the Valley awarding over \$20,000 in college scholarships.

The recipients who were able to attend are pictured below. Our Sovereign Prince, Bud Cygan, had this report for the event: The graduation of OUR Learning Center saw 9 students that completed their courses and received their Graduation Certificates. The look on each child's face as their name is called and they receive their diploma, and the look of gratitude on the faces of their parents is something to behold. It makes you truly proud to be a Scottish Rite Mason in the Valley of Cleveland. After the graduation ceremonies were complete, everyone assembled in the dining hall on the second floor, where the Valley of Cleveland provided Pizza, Pop, Chips and a beautiful Graduation sheet cake. A truly fantastic and moving evening.



# OFFICER SPOTLIGHT



This month's Officer Spotlight takes us to Bahurim Council Princes of Jerusalem. Sublime Prince Franck Kakou is currently serving as High Priest.

He resides in Moreland Hills, Ohio with his wife Wendy. They have two children, Alexander and Margot. He is a graduate of The Culinary Institutes of Paris, France. After serving three years in the French Military as a paratrooper with three tours in foreign soil, he worked in several countries in Europe. In 1994 he immigrated to the United States and worked in Philadelphia and Minneapolis. They relocated to Cleveland in 1999 and he created two business in the beverage industry.

Sublime Prince Kakou was initiated an Entered Apprentice in "President de Montesqieu Lodge" in the Province of Paris in 1992 (This Lodge doesn't exist anymore). He was passed to the degree of Fellow Craft in Lyndhurst Lodge in St Paul, Minneapolis. After moving to Cleveland he finally found his real mother lodge, Forest City Lodge #388 in Lyndhurst, Ohio where he served as Worshipful Master 2008. Forest City Lodge won the Mark Twain Masonic Award in 2009 under his leadership. This award was a national competition by the MSA and no lodges in Ohio had ever participated. The award has since been discontinued.

He is a Past High Priest of Heights Chapter #206 (two terms) and is currently the Secretary. He is a member of Woodward Council #118, Recorder of Coeur de Lion Commandery #64, and a member of Al Koran Shriner. Franck was appointed by Most Excellent Companion Robert Dray, 33° as the Grand Representative for the Royal Arch in France in 2014 and appointed by Most Worshipful Brother Steven E. Cokonougher as the Grand representative for the Grand Lodge of Israel in 2015.

Sublime Prince Kakou joined the Valley of Cleveland in 2000 and was appointed to the line of Bahurim Council, Princes of Jerusalem in 2010 by John Sperber, 33°. He is dedicated to his family, enjoys sailing, skiing, and shooting.

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## VALLEY TO PORTRAY 26th DEGREE OCTOBER 7

The Lake Erie Consistory will be portraying the 26<sup>th</sup> Degree, "Friend and Brother Eternal", at the Four Coordinate Body Meeting on Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup> 2019. This degree takes place during the Civil War time period and revolves around the characters of Masonic Brothers and Friends Lewis Armistead and Winfield Scott Hancock. The Valley last presented this degree in October of 2011.

Following the Degree portrayal, a special presentation will be given by Sublime Prince Timothy Daley regarding the historical facts behind this degree, as well as other items of interest regarding Masonry and the Civil War. Tim is the Executive Director of the Soldiers and Sailors Monument in downtown Cleveland and has a wealth of knowledge when it comes to this topic.

We look forward to you joining us for dinner this evening at 5:30 in the Gold Room prior to the meeting and degree. Reservations at \$15.00 for the dinner can be made through the Valley Secretary by phone at (216) 432-2370 or via email: [secretary@aascrcleveland.org](mailto:secretary@aascrcleveland.org). If you are unable to attend the dinner, the meeting will begin promptly at 7:00 PM in the DeMolay Room. Be sure to bring your passport! Your attendance at this meeting and degree qualifies as an activity requirement for the "Black Cap" program of our Valley.



The Friend to Friend Masonic Memorial pictured here is located on the south side of the Gettysburg National Park in the National Cemetery Annex. It was dedicated on August 21, 1993 by the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania. The 26<sup>th</sup> Degree will further illustrate the background behind this monument.

# FAMILY LIFE SERVICE-SUNDAY OCTOBER 27, 2019



The Family Life Committee of the Lake Erie Consistory invites you and your family to our Annual Family Life Service and Observance on Sunday, October 27th 2019 at the Old Stone Church on the northeast corner of Public Square. The service will begin at 10:30 AM. Reverend Mark Guiliano of Old Stone Church is a member of our Valley and John W. Barkley Lodge #621, and Officers of the Valley will assist him during the service.

Parking for the Old Stone Church is available at the public lot on the northeast side of Superior Avenue and West 3rd Street. Parking is free when you have your parking stub validated by the Church.

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## HOSPITALER REPORT

**By: Darrell E. Reed, 32°**

Congratulations to the new members of Valley of Cleveland from the DeMolay Class. As Hospitaler, I have the opportunity to serve the Valley in looking after our members and helping fulfilling our masonic ideals of helping each other. Our committee has been involved in birthday calls and personal follow-up to our members after some of the devastating hurricanes in the south. We are always looking for members who wish to help with those needs.

However the Hospitaler's job is limited by information many times we do not find out about a member in illness or adversity until long after the event occurred. Letting the Valley know is greatly appreciated. When a member has needs, we have the opportunity to assist with directing resources through our Ohio Masonic Home resource center (<http://omhresourcecenter.org/>).

### **The Ohio Masonic Home Resource Center can quickly:**

- Support for widows/widowers
- Advocacy for clients going through the VA or Social Security systems
- Assistance with Medicare/Medicaid questions
- Linkage to local resources like home delivered meals, home health and transportation
- Education on issues like Caregiver Stress, Advanced Directives and Grief
- Coordination of existing services
- Linkage to fraternal assistance from Lodges and other masonic bodies
- Education on aging issues to help make informed choices
- Dedication to your continued independence
- Connection to home maintenance options
- Provide information on Ohio Masonic Home communities and services

Through the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction (<https://scottishritenmj.org/>) we have the opportunity to support the brother to brother card program sending get well, encouragement or congratulatory cards. Other needs can be met through the Supreme Council's Grand Almoners fund where we have the ability to directly respond with timely financial support which is coordinated through our Deputy's Representative.

I look forward to serving the needs of our Valley to improve the health and well being of our members through our masonic ideals. If you wish to serve on our committee or if you know of a member in need please do not hesitate to contact us either through the valley office or myself directly at (440) 463-5082 or [hospitaler@aastrcleveland.org](mailto:hospitaler@aastrcleveland.org).



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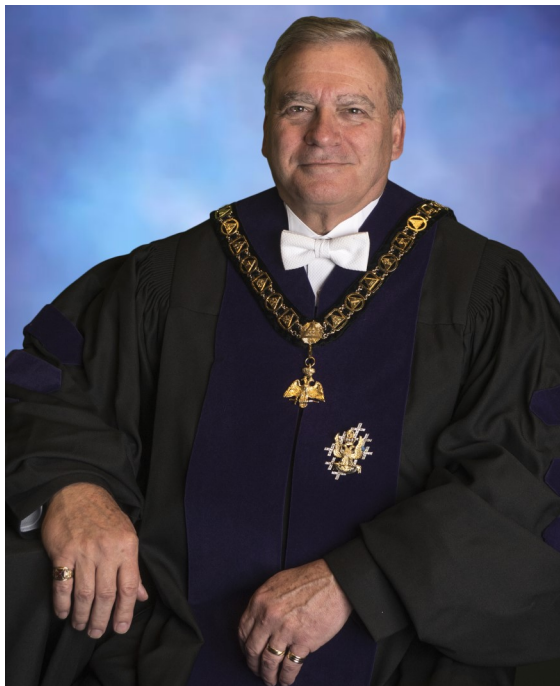
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# ANNUAL GOLF OUTING WITH AL KORAN SHRINE

On Saturday July 20, 2019 the Valley held another successful golf outing with Al Koran Shrine. Thanks to Sublime Prince Franck Kakou and the new Activities Committee Chairman Tom Klecan for their efforts to make the event a success. Enjoy some pictures from this year's outing.



## SAVE THE DATE MONDAY NOVEMBER 4, 2019 A VISIT FROM THE SOVERIGN GRAND COMMANDER

**Illustrious Brother David A. Glattly  
and his lady Monica**  
Watch for an email with more  
details and reservation information.  
This is an excellent opportunity to  
meet our SGC and participate in  
Scottish Rite Fellowship and Charity