

# 4 COORDINATE BODY COMMUNICATOR



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## MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

By: William Carter, Membership Chairman

Brethren, these are exciting times in the Valley of Cleveland! Your Membership Committee has been hard at work on several initiatives to help enhance your experience in our Valley. One of the key opportunities is to have a platform and an approach that helps our Brothers stay informed about upcoming opportunities within the Valley, and we have some great news to share on that front.

First, if you haven't seen it lately, browse over to <https://aasrcleveland.org>. This is your Valley web site, and it has been refreshed with crisp and clean branding from our Supreme Council. This is your key resource for learning about our history, our leadership teams, opportunities for scholarship and charity, and accessing archives of our past newsletters – so much to see! It has also been designed to be “responsive”, meaning it will show up just as legible on your smartphone as it would on a large computer screen.



Second, we are fully utilizing a Google-based calendar for our coming events. This calendar can actually be integrated with your own, so that Valley events appear on your calendar as they are created! And all events have locations coded into the calendar, so that you can simply click and drive from your GPS-enabled smart phone. To integrate the Valley calendar, click on the blue “+” sign in the lower-right of the calendar listing.

Third, we have begun an Events page on our site where we will keep both future and past event fliers. You can access it by clicking “Events” at the top of the front page, or by browsing directly to <https://aasrcleveland.org/TellMeMore>. Why keep past event fliers? Because as you have opportunity to tell people about being a Scottish Rite Mason, they can take a look for themselves to see all the wonderful events to which they may avail themselves as a member of the Valley.

Finally, your Membership Committee is actively seeking Lodges to host “Rite On The Road” events. These are opportunities for Lodges to host Brethren to receive the degrees of the Scottish Rite! All of the work of degree presentation and equipment setup is covered by the Valley – the Lodge need only open its doors and offer a warm welcome to the attendees. And if you haven't seen the video degrees, you are in for a real treat! Interested in hosting an event? Just reach out to me at [wrcarter@freemason.com](mailto:wrcarter@freemason.com) and we will help facilitate the event.

My Brothers, the historic Valley of Cleveland has always been a Valley of Excellence in the hearts of its membership. We are simply making it faster and easier for our members to avail themselves of the many opportunities for growth and enjoyment that we offer. Come be a part of a vibrant Valley family, and continue your Scottish Rite journey!

**REMINDER THERE IS NO  
FOUR COORDINATE BODY  
MEETING IN JANUARY. OUR NEXT  
MEETING WILL BE  
MONDAY FEBRUARY 7, 2022 IN BEREA.**

# *Valley of Cleveland Merchandise Shop*



We are proud to be a part of the Valley of Cleveland AASR, and we want our members to feel that way too. With this high-quality merchandise, you will be able to show off the pride and true sense of brotherhood that this Valley has and gives to its members. We offer t-shirts, sweatshirts, polos, hoodies hats and more.

<https://ValleyofCleveland.myspreadshop.com>

HAPPY NEW YEAR  
2022

**THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR MEMBERS WHO GAVE TO THE BLUE ENVELOPE APPEAL. THERE IS STILL TIME TO GIVE. DONATIONS MAY BE MADE ONLINE [scottishritenmj.org](http://scottishritenmj.org). EVEN \$1.00 FROM EVERY MEMBER GOES A LONG WAY**



**SCOTTISH RITE**  
Northern Masonic Jurisdiction

**THE BLUE ENVELOPE**

# CLEVELAND CHILDREN'S DYSLEXIA CENTER NEWS FOR YOU!

## ANNUAL SOUPER BOWL PARTY – YOU ARE INVITED! (Mark your calendars NOW!)

The Annual 2021 “Souper Bowl Party” wasn't held last year due to the pandemic. By popular demand, we are once again planning for this enjoyable event! Every dollar earned is applied to the operating expenses for the year. Plan to join us on Saturday, February 5, 2022, at the Berea Masonic Building between 4:30 – 6:00pm to enjoy your choice of chili and/or soup in addition to hot dogs, desserts and beverages. All of this at a cost of \$10 per adult/ \$5 per children aged 6 – 12/ children 5 and under are free. There will be a 50/50 raffle included as part of the evening.

Tickets can be purchased from members of the Board of Governors, or any member of the Friends of the Learning Center. You can also reserve tickets by calling the Learning Center Office at 216-881-2234.

\*\*\* NOTE – If you want to enter a chili or soup, contact Nancy Helyes at: 440-826-1041 or Janice Goerss at: 440-347-0079. THANK YOU!

## HOW YOU CAN HELP YOUR CLEVELAND LEARNING CENTER

Consider joining the Friends of the Cleveland Learning Center! This group acts as an ad hoc committee for the Board of Governors. Membership involves an occasional meeting to help the Board of Governors with planning and executing fund raising events and projects. If interested, contact Creighton Bradler at: 440-526-8464 for those living on the West Side and Janice Goerss at: 440-347-0079 for those living on the East Side. ALL are WELCOME and our Learning Center will benefit from your participation in this capacity!



## **FIRST EVER DYSLEXIA CENTER CHARITY TEXAS HOLD'EM TOURNAMENT A SUCCESS. JOIN US FOR TOP GOLF MARCH 19.**



The first ever Charity Texas Hold'em Tournament was a success and most importantly was a lot of fun. We had 33 poker players join in on the action. The important part of the 33 players were that only 9 of them had previously contributed to the Dyslexia Center. We had two goals for this event: to attract new donors for the Dyslexia Center and to have fun. We certainly accomplished both. Congratulations to Sublime Prince Jason Kita who took home the top prize. We raised \$1,450 for the Center and had a great time doing it.

Join us for Top Golf (5820 Rockside Woods Blvd N, Independence, OH 44131) on Saturday March 19, 2022 from 10 AM-1:00 PM for food, drink, and golf. Cost is \$60 and this is yet another way the Board of Governors is trying to attract new donors and to have some great fun as we increase awareness of our tremendous charity! We will also have a 50/50 drawing and a few silent auction items.

**Saturday March 19 COST \$60 (3 Hours of Golf)  
Reservations due March 1, 2022 to Greg Kita  
glgkita@aol.com or 440-364-2278.**

**COME ON OUT AND PLAY SOME GOLF AND  
SUPPORT YOUR DYSLEXIA CENTER!!**



**TOPGOLF**

# VALLEY OF CLEVELAND SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The Valley of Cleveland Scholarship Committee is pleased to offer three scholarship program opportunities to the members of our Valley. The requirements and applications for each of those scholarships are listed below. The deadline to apply for these scholarships is **April 1, 2022**. All applications can be sent to the Valley of Cleveland Office or emailed to the Valley Secretary at the address listed on each application form.

**The Ross and Joyce Black Scholarship** was established to provide college or trade school scholarships to graduating High School Seniors whose father, step-father, grandfather or step-grandfather are members of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Valley of Cleveland, **or** who are a member of DeMolay, Rainbow or Jobs Daughters. It is non-renewable. Here is the link: <https://aasrcleveland.org/the-ross-joyce-black-scholarship/>

**The Leon M. Abbott Scholarship** is administered through the Supreme Council of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction. It 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. It is renewable. Here is the link: <https://scottishritenmj.org/abbott>

**The Donald R. James Medical Scholarship** provides scholarships to students who are pursuing a career in medicine, dentistry, or sports medicine, and who meet the specific criteria of the scholarship. It may be applied to **tuition only** and cannot exceed fifty percent of the amount of tuition. It cannot be used for books, room & board or other incidental expenses. It is a renewable scholarship. Here is the link: <https://aasrcleveland.org/the-donald-r-james-scholarship/>

The awarding or non-awarding of a scholarship and the amount of each of the scholarships is in the sole and absolute discretion of the Valley of Cleveland Scholarship Committee, whose decision is final. The deadline to apply for these scholarships is **April 1, 2022**.



**SAVE THE DATE TO  
JOIN ARIEL CHAPTER,  
ROSE CROIX  
FOR THE FEAST  
OF THE PASCHAL LAMB  
SUNDAY  
APRIL 10, 2022  
Berea Masonic  
Center**



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ANCIENT ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE  
VALLEY OF CLEVELAND

# CLEVELAND MONSTERS GAME

Family day with \$6 kids meal

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JANUARY 22, 2022 | 1 PM  
\$25 PER PERSON | SECTION 123  
CLEVELAND CHARGE ADD-ON TICKETS  
AVAILABLE FOR \$7  
FOR THE MARCH 20TH GAME

**LINK FOR HOCKEY TICKETS:**

**<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/valley-of-cleveland-monsters-hockey-game-tickets-226577628787>**

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