



Scottish Rite Bulletin

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"THE VALLEY OF TERRE HAUTE"

JANUARY 2006

"THE ROBE"

WE ARE PLANNING A PERFORMANCE OF THE "ROBE" IF YOU OR SOMEONE IN YOUR FAMILY ARE INTERESTED IN A PART WHETHER IT BE A SPEAKING OR NON-SPEAKING PART, COME TO OUR ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING ON:

**JAN. 29TH, SUNDAY - 2:30 P.M
AT THE SCOTTISH RITE**

REMINDER 2006 DUES

The statement for those owing current dues include your card. Please remove your card and mail your check to the office. The statement also gives you the opportunity to contribute to the roof project and or scholarship program. Dues are 65.00, which includes 8.50 Supreme Council assessment and 2.00 for the Ind. Council of Deliberation assessment.

MEMBERSHIP CORNER

2005 has come and gone, January is here and another winter to endure. I have been thinking about Membership and decided to submit some suggestions and views about Membership. I think Membership is crucial to not only the Rite but to Freemasonry in general. I don't agree with the practice (past or present) of some Lodges who raise a candidate with the true grip with one hand and have a petition in the other. I realize that this is an exaggeration but not by much. I think you do more for Membership in the Rite by talking about the Rite every chance you get. You get Members by announcing in your Lodge's stated meeting about upcoming events, or by just talking to Brothers before the Meeting. If you speak of positive experiences you have had in this Valley, people will hear it, and may decide to become part of it. I don't believe arm twisting is required or in the best interest of this organization. Scottish Rite Freemasonry is an enjoyable time, every time I come through its doors, I have a good time. If you "talk the talk" you may be surprised with the results. Newly raised Masons are easier than Brethren who are long established in the Fraternity. I was one of those "long established" Masons who never understood the benefits of the AASR and it took me 15 years to join the Rite. In closing let me say that if you keep talking, keep communicating, some day you will see the results of that small seed you planted in the past. Thank you for reading this, support your home Lodge, and support the Rite.

Chuck Reed
Membership Chairman.
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ATTENDANCE

Sunday Nov.13, 3 p.m. Scottish Rite Cathedral, Sinfonetta, great musical entertainment. Were you there???

Sunday Nov.19, 3 p.m. Scottish Rite Cathedral, Brazil Band, great musical entertainment. Were you there??

These programs are free to you as a member of our great brotherhood, our attendance was sadly LACKING!!!

Fri. and Sat. Oct 28 & 29, Nov. 4 & 5, Scottish Rite Cathedral, Great theatrical entertainment performed by your brothers for you and a group of new members. My brothers our attendance is sadly lacking at these events!!!

Our new brothers would like to be greeted by a large membership, brothers we owe this to our brotherhood!!!!

We had 2 great convocation weekends, the work was excellent, our casts played their hearts out to a crowd of maybe 20 people max. at any one time. This type of attendance is not fair to our brotherhood. The members of the various casts make many trips to the cathedral for practices, our officers are there both weekends of the convocation and several nights before for practice. The valley would love to have more men to take part in the various degrees.

But more than that, (I know I am speaking for all of your officers), we would just like for you to come and watch, support the Valley by your attendance.

The Valley of Terre Haute is the greatest Valley anywhere !!!!! PLEASE BREATHERN COME AND SEE US,

SUPPORT YOUR VALLEY AND ENJOY YOUR VALLEY.
Don Weilhamer

CROSSROADS OF AMERICA YOUTH ORCHESTRA

SPRING CONCERTS

MARCH 19 - 7:30 p.m.

MAY 21 - 7:30 p.m.

FREE TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE
SCOTTISH RITE

MARK YOUR CALANDERS

February Play re-scheduled For **May**
Fest of the Pascal Lamb April 9, 3:00 p.m.
Spring Convocation April 21, 22, 28, 29

MASONRY A WAY OF LIFE

Brother, don't just "take" the "degrees" Study them! Learn them! If you don't, you are cheating yourself! You are paying for them. Learn well their lessons! You will then appreciate their truth, beauty, and deep significance. You'll be a better man, a happier man, and more useful citizen. The "Craftsman" who "gauges" his life in accordance with Masonic Law will be a better son, a more understanding husband and father, a more loyal friend, and he will know the real joy of living. Masonry is not just a ritual, a club, a lodge— its a way of life, a plan for living.

Masonic Beacon

ATTEND YOUR LODGE

Your Symbolic Lodge and its officers need your support. Your attendance at Lodge meetings can give a tremendous "lift" to Masonry throughout our jurisdiction. The quality of Lodge work rises and falls with the attendance at its meetings. Good attendance produces good work.

The Scottish Rite, as well as the York Rite and the Shrine, are all dependent on the Symbolic Lodge for new members. As the Symbolic Lodge membership declines, so will the membership in these other Bodies decline.

Most important, the work of our Lodges in building character can prosper and develop only through the medium of an interested, revitalized membership.

HAVE YOU ATTENDED LODGE LATELY

THE TONGUE

The tongue is a very useful organ; without it we could not speak. This valuable organ helps us in the selection of food we eat and is generally a fine and indispensable servant. But in wagging spitefully or irresponsibly it is a sure breeder of trouble, both for the offender and the victim.

The Mason has heard much about the tongue of "good report" and that is the only kind of tongue any Mason should have. The author of Proverbs wrote long ago, "The tongue of the wise useth knowledge aright; but the mouth of fools poureth out foolishness"

WAGES OF A MASON

Masonic labor is purely a labor of love. He who seeks to draw Masonic wages in gold and silver will be disappointed. The wages of a Mason are earned and paid for in their dealings with one another. Sympathy begets sympathy, Kind-ness begets kindness, helpfulness begets helpfulness—and these are the wages of a MASON.

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Hospitailer's Report

Brothers on the sick list:

Clifford Eley Lyle Myers Les Boling, 33°

Necrology:

Bob Beaver I. Wis Haworth Raymond Crichfield
John Hawkins William Daniel

Please Remember these families in your prayers.

All I Really Need To Know I Learned In Kindergarten

Most of what I really need to know about how to live and what to do an how to be I learned in kindergarten. Wisdom was not at the top of the graduate-school mountain, but there in the sandpile at Sunday School.

These are the things I learned:

Share everything.

Play fair.

Don't hit people.

Put things back where you found them.

Clean up your own mess.

Don't take thing that aren't yours.

Say you're sorry when you hurt somebody.

Wash your hands before you eat.

Flush.

Warm cookies and cold milk are good for you.

Live a balanced life - learn some and think some and draw and paint and sing and dance and play and work every day some.

Take a nap every afternoon.

When you go out into the world, watch out for traffic, hold hands, and stick together.

Be aware of wonder.

Submitted by: Dave Sowers

WINTER OFFICE HOURS
8:30 - 4:00 Monday - Thursday
Out to Lunch 12:00 - 1:00