

# J. B. Covert Has Seven New Members Thru GM1DC

On April 5th, 2014 7 new members joined J. B. Covert through the Grand Master's One Day Class, which was hosted by J. B. Covert Lodge and visited by both a past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ohio, MWB James E. Olmstead and the current Grand Master of Masons in Ohio MWB Norman J. Mick. Of our newest members 4 have family members with Masonic ties and 3 of those 4 have family members already in J. B. Covert .

These seven new brothers included *Bryan Olmstead* who is the youngest grandson of MWB Olmstead and youngest of the new members at 19 years old. He is a student at The Ohio State University. Bryan's older brother Taylor is a member of both J. B. Covert and Paramuthia Lodge in Athens where he attends Ohio University and their father Dave Olmstead is currently serving J. B. Covert as Chairman of the Board of Trustees and Senior Steward.

Our Inspection Candidate for 2014 was also a college student and the son of Worshipful Brother Dale Olson. *Alan Olson* is completing his studies at West Liberty University in Wheeling West Virginia and was able to return for the GM1DC to complete his degrees. After spending the bulk of his college on the Dean's list Alan will graduate on May 10th. Alan's future plans include a career in broadcasting although his immediate future may include graduate school.



Pictured Above Back Row L to R: Bryan Olmstead, Andrew Schrieber, Jerry Vinson, Roy Elliott

Pictured Above Front Row L to R: Alan Olson, John Rowe, Alex Cordes

The family legacy was strong in this class as well as *Alex Cordes* who is currently serving in the U. S. Coast Guard joined our Lodge specifically because his father Robert Cordes who demitted from Batavia Lodge to be a part of J. B. Covert last month was already a member. Alex is wrapping up things in the Coast Guard and will be living with his parents Rob and Sandy in Amelia again shortly as he starts college on the G. I. Bill.

John Rowe, an executive with IBM, joined our Lodge through his connection with both Rob and Alex Cordes, as well as his connection with Dave Olmstead and his two sons Taylor and Bryan who are both J. B. Covert members. The Olmstead's, Cordes', and Bro. Rowe served together in the same Boy Scout Troop in Amelia that supports our annual flag retirement. John and his wife Kim live in Batavia Township.

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# Master's Message

I have been asked to keep my comments brief. I just want to say thank you to all of the brothers who have worked so tirelessly on behalf of the lodge. The GM1DC was an unqualified success. The lighting replacement project was completed in a very efficient manner with great results and the theft of our air conditioner was mitigated by the quickless and the sake of the project was an expectation of the project wa



and the theft of our air conditioner was mitigated by the quick action of some very dedicated brothers.

Moving forward I would like to focus on degree work for our incoming candidate. So far this year we have raised seven new Master Masons at the GM1DC, had one brother demit into our lodge and we currently have two more petitions in the works. I would like to finish up the degree work for these two new members as soon as possible.

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#### **New Members Continued**

Roy Elliott was introduced to Masonry through many of his business contacts with his business Arrow Crane Rental, but it was his frequent interactions with J. B. Covert member (and another example of a family legacy of Masonry) Walt Disney of Disney's Tree Service that caused him to knock on the door of J. B. Covert. Roy owns Arrow Crane Rental in Blue Ash and has helped Walt with technical tree removal for years. Roy and his wife Lesley live in Sycamore Township.

Andrew Schreiber came to J. B. Covert after introducing Bro. Dave Olmstead to one of his clients and as Bro. Olmstead noticed the other person's Masonic Bible on his desk the conversation turned to Masonry. At the end of the conversation Bro. Olmstead was informed that Andy had made inquiry about Masonry, but since the person he asked was a part of a Lodge far away from Andy's house he had suggested that he try to locate someone from J. B. Covert. The irony is that Bro. Olmstead had served Andy's businesses Spade Tactical and The Paint Shop Plus as a marketing consultant for years, as well as having served Andy's mother's business in the same capacity. Andy, his wife Janet, and their children live in Union Township.

Jerry Vinson returned to live in Loveland after retiring from GM Parts Division in Reno Nevada. These days Jerry can be found working part time at a local golf course, because it allows him to play the game he truly loves for free. Jerry also enjoys a family legacy of Masonry as his dad Jack Vinson was active in Norwood and in the Shrine. Jerry tells of the years of seeing his dad volunteer at Shriner's Hospital and at the Scottish Rite, but also how the demands of 4 kids, work, and then taking care of aging parents made finding time for Masonry difficult for him personally. Through his friendship with WB Gary Morgan, Jerry realized in 2013 that the time had come to enjoy the same experiences that his father had enjoyed.

## He Rests From His Labors

#### **Raymond Scott**

**Born** January 4, 1927 **Raised** March 8, 1988 **Died** February 11, 2014



#### **James Applegate**

**Born** October 25, 1928 **Raised** March 13, 1962 **Died** March 11, 2014

#### Charles Dallmann

Born February 20, 1922 Raised November 4, 1949

**Died** April 11, 2014



### We Filled The Boot!

This will fund a Scout's summer Boy Scout Camp, and will be presented at our June Flag Retirement Ceremony.



# **Birthdays For May**

William Bath, Robert Bayless, Charlie Behymer, Charles Collins Jr, Kelly Duncan, Jack Gray, Leonard Grigsby, Victor Haddad, George Henry, Willard Keller, Joseph McCullough, Robert McGee, David Palmer, Alex Wakefield, Paul Wheeler.



### Lighting installation completed



After generous donations of \$1150.00 and rebates, the net cost to JBC is just \$1079.00. **Thank** 

you donors and workers!



### **Upcoming Events**

- May 2 Grand Master's Reception
  6:00 pm- Clermont County Fairgrounds
  Contact WB Olson for tickets Cost \$25
- May 6 Ladies Night Dinner POSTPONED due to Grand Master's Reception on May 2nd
- May 18 6th District Family Picnic 1 pm - 4 pm Sycamore Park Batavia
- May 20 J. B. Covert Stated Meeting 6:30 pm Social 7:00 pm work
- May 31 Live Music & Vino @ Harmony Hill 6:00 pm Fellowship Event
- June 14 Flag Retirement & Awards Ceremony 10:30 am - 12:30 pm Lunch Provided Open to the public
- June 17 J. B. Covert Stated Meeting 6:30 pm Social 7:00 pm work
- July 26 6th District Masonic Relief Fund Benefit
  Concert @ Amelia Lodge Noon-8pm
  \$15 per person \$25 per couple &
  it includes a meal! Butch Determan's Bands
  will be performing!

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