



May 2015

Stated Meetings 3rd Tuesday 7 pm
848 Clough Pike

jbcovertlodge.com

Kyle Adkins Memorial Scholarships Presented

On April 28th J. B. Covert Lodge made a life changing impact on 2 area high school seniors with presentation of the Kyle Adkins Memorial Scholarships.

The committee, Chaired by SW Jack Lennon, prepared an extensive application process which was sent to Goshen, Amelia, and Glen Este High Schools. These are the 3 schools that WB Kyle Adkins taught at in his shortened teaching career.

WB Adkins taught math and was an Assistant Band Director in each of these schools, so the committee

required that the recipients be an active band member to qualify for the scholarship.

Mr. Jacob Moore from Goshen High School will be pursuing a degree in music education at Miami University in the fall.

Ms. Morgan Lang will be pursuing a degree in education with a specialty in



Pictured L to R- Daniel Campbell, KAMS Recipient Jacob Moore, Jack Lennon, Paul Wheeler

English at Wright State University in the fall.

Kyle Adkins Memorial Scholarships Future Funding

A total of \$1,500 was disbursed in the scholarships, which was less than originally received through donations at the time of WB Adkins death.

In order for the K.A.M.S. to continue and not be a financial strain on the Lodge fundraisers will be required. The first of these is a

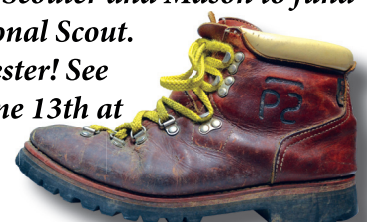
“crowd-funding” drive which was launched simultaneously with the first presentation. Go to: www.gofundme.com/kyleadkins to learn more and support the fund.

We’ve Almost Filled The Boot! Donate Today!

As part of our planning for the 2015 Flag Retirement and Awards Ceremony, which will be held on June 13th at 10:30 am, a motion was passed to make an annual donation to a Boy Scout Troop who agrees to assist us in retiring the flags. This donation was set at \$250, which is the cost of sending one Scout to a week

of Boy Scout Summer Camp. A well used hiking boot was placed in the dining room for donations for the 2015 Campership and if you would like send a donation to the Secretary, just mark it as **Fill The Boot! A special donation was received from Bro. Lester Miley who has paid for an additional Scout to attend camp this**

summer. Bro Miley received his 50 year pin at the 2014 ceremony and made a personal commitment as a long-time Scouter and Mason to fund an additional Scout. Thanks Lester! See you on June 13th at 10:30 am!



2015 Officers

Worshipful Master
Daniel O. Campbell
513-675-1795

worshipful@jbcovertlodge.com

Senior Warden
M. Jack Lennon
513-600-8813
srwarden@jbcovertlodge.com

Junior Warden
Carl White
937-725-7335
jrwarden@jbcovertlodge.com

Treasurer
R. Paul Wheeler
513-732-3322

Secretary
T. David Miller
513-752-4601
secretary@jbcovertlodge.com

Senior Deacon
David Olmstead

Junior Deacon
Bruce Ehas

Chaplain
Brian Carlson, PM

Tyler
Otis Davis

Senior Steward
John Rowe

Junior Steward
Rich Wright

Musician
Alfred R. Determan

Message from the East

Greetings Brethren,

In the April 2015 issue of Knight Templar, Sir Knight John L. Palmer published an article entitled "Masonic Philosophical Differences in the 21st Century." The article itself discusses how various "groups" have attempted to deal with the issue of declining membership. I became fascinated by Brother Palmer's insights into the current make up of Masonic Lodges and the diverse philosophical ideals therein. Brother Palmer divides modern masons into three distinct categories:



1. **Traditionalists (Palmer uses the less descriptive title status quos)**
 - a. Low Dues
 - b. Great Emphasis on Ritual
 - c. Casual Dress
 - d. The issue of declining membership is cyclical
2. **Neo-Moderns**
 - a. Marginally Higher Dues
 - b. Lower Memory Requirements Overall
 - c. Casual Dress
 - d. Recruitment/One Day Class proponents
3. **Neo-Antients**
 - a. Much Higher Dues Structure
 - b. Emphasis on Philosophy/Ritual
 - c. Formal Dress
 - d. Emphasis on the "intiatic experience"

It is my guess that one of the three brief summaries (of the far more complex philosophical outlooks) resonated with you more than the others. It seems as though there is a debate on what the future of Freemasonry should look like and which, if any, of the above strategies should be emphasized.

In contrast to this argument, I think that we must realize that Freemasonry must be large enough and multifaceted enough to allow for all of the above perspectives to coexist. It is our challenge, as a 21st Century lodge, to provide our members with the Masonic experience that is best for them. It takes good men with various talents, skill sets, and perspectives to make Masonry, or any other worthwhile endeavor, work. J. B. Covert's active, diverse membership will continue to propel us into the future.

May God bless all of you!

Fraternally,

Daniel O. Campbell
Worshipful Master
513-675-1795

worshipful@jbcovertlodge.com

He Rests From His Labors

Russell Wuerdeman
Born January 2, 1936
Raised April 7, 1987
Died April 16, 2015
Master of J. B. Covert 1995



Donations To The Lodge

Our thanks to the following members and friends who have donated to the Lodge & special funds: Donald George, Paul Wheeler.

Birthdays For May

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



Music & Vino @ Harmony Hill

Harmony Hill Vineyards Bethel
2534 Swings Corner Point Isabel Rd
May 23rd 6 pm to 9 pm



Bring yourself, your significant other, dinner, and a lawn chair and join us for a nice night of live music and good wine at Harmony Hill Winery.

Learn more at hhwines.com


May 23rd featured artist:

Bill Bynum and Company

With songs both traditional and original, and a sound that's at once as comfortable as old jeans and as fresh as a new blade of grass, Bill Bynum & Co. is a band that's easy to love and hard to quit.

Upcoming Events

- May 1 Grand Master's Reception
- May 5 **Ladies Night Dinner**
See Article on website
- May 12 **Entered Apprentice Degree**
6:00 pm Social 7:00 pm work
- May 19 **J. B. Covert Stated Meeting**
6:00 pm social 7:00 pm work
- May 23 **Music & Vino @ Harmony Hill**
See Article in this newsletter or website
- Jun 9 **Master Mason Degree**
6:00 pm Social 7:00 pm work
- Jun 13 **Flag Retirement & Awards Luncheon**
10:30 am Open to Family and Friends
- Jun 16 **J. B. Covert Stated Meeting**
6:00 pm social 7:00 pm work

You can add the Lodge's Calendar to your Outlook or phone by clicking on this button  Google Calendar on the calendar page of the website.

www.jbcovertlodge.com/calendar

Calendar

3

TUESDAY

**4th Annual
Flag Retirement &
Awards Luncheon
June 13th
10:30 AM-1:00 PM**



Celebrate Patriotism & Masonic/Community Service at the

**Annual Flag Retirement
& Awards Luncheon
at J.B. Covert Masonic Lodge
848 Clough Pike, Cincinnati, OH 45245**

**June 13th, 10:30 AM
Lunch will be provided
(Donations Accepted)**

Family • Friends • Community
Welcome to Attend



J. B. Covert Lodge # 437 F. & A. M.
T. David Miller, Secretary
4842 Pathfinder Way
Milford, OH 45150

NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION
US POSTAGE
PAID
PERMIT NO. 1368
Cincinnati, OH

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED



**This Newsletter
Is paid for by
these sponsors
please patronize
them and say
thank you!**

**Check them out
on our website
as well!**

jbcovertlodge.com

**Look under the
"About" tab**

**Behind
Scenes
Productions**
Marketing • Advertising
Event Services

Dave Olmstead
513-617-0906 V dave@behindscenesproductions.com
513-947-1479 F PO Box 501, Amelia, OH 45102

**Your business could reach
our valuable audience as
well. Call Dave @
617-0906 to learn how!**

JAS
Collision, LLC
1680 Old State Road
Willamsburg, Ohio 45176
jascollision@fuse.net

513-724-3485 Fax: 513-724-3486

Office 513/753-6333
Fax 513/752-7803

NEFF
Landscape & Garden Center

**Your business could reach
our valuable audience as
well. Call Dave @
617-0906 to learn how!**

**Markus
Jewelers**

**Mark Ogier,
Goldsmith/Owner**
2022 Eight Mile Road
513-474-4950
Tues & Thurs 10am-6pm
Wed & Fri 10am-7pm
Sat 10am-5pm
Closed Sunday & Monday

MarkusJewelers.com
Special Discounts on all styles of Masonic Jewelry