

Jason Asplet - Marquette
 Koray Inal - Baraga
 Cody Riutta - Houghton
 Rich Martinchek - Sault Ste Marie
 Jamie Seagle - Gwinn
 Murray Morgan - Ironwood
 Tony Jones - Houghton

the Valley's Past Presiding Officer's Award and in 2005 was presented the Michigan Council of Deliberation's Meritorious Service Award (Ret Hat.) Noble Simons is also a member of Ahmed Shriners, and served as Potentate of Ahmed Shrine in 1992.

Brother Charles C. Simons, MSA



Our class is named in honor of Charles C. Simons.

Born May 27, 1933, in Ishpeming, Michigan. He joined Ishpeming Lodge No. 315 (Now Teal Lake No. 202) on October 17, 1974, became active in the Lodge and served as its Worshipful Master and several years the Treasurer. He received his Scottish Rite Degrees in May of 1976 and has been involved over the years taking part in several Degrees, especially the Rose Croix and Master Ad Vitam Degrees. He is a holder of

**Jake Hayrynen, 33°
 Deputy's Representative
 Valley of Marquette**



It was nice to see all the Brothers at our all U.P. Master Mason Degree on April 8, that was put on by the Valley of Marquette at the UP Masonic Center. It was a wonderful event, raising 6 new Master Masons from lodges all across the Upper Peninsula. Brothers from Copper Country, McMillan, Gladstone, Ironwood and Marquette Lodges were in attendance to receive their Mater Mason Degree. The Scottish Rite Degree Team also made up of Brothers from many Lodges in the Valley, put on inspiring work that surely left an impression on these newly made Master Masons. Thank you for all who participated and a special thank you to Ill. Bro. William E. Leveque, 33°/MSA and the Brothers of Grand Island Lodge for hosting a very fine Festive Board, Gordy Peterson and his outstanding kitchen crew and to Doug Wolf for being our Event Coordinator. It was a great day for Masonry in the Upper Peninsula. It also helped the Valley in achieving one of its 2017 goals of creating closer relationships with the Lodges across the UP.

As we talk about closer relationships with the Lodges across the UP, your Valley Officers and the District Ambassador Coordinators are working on a renewal of our Ambassador program. It has been about five years since the last renewal and about three years since our last Ambassador Orientation program. This is a very important program that directly affects our membership by bringing us closer to our source for future SR Members. Anyone interested in being a Scottish Rite Ambassador to their Lodge please let us know!

Our Brothers of the Rite Scottish Rite Club is really gaining momentum. We took it down to the Valley of Detroit last August initiating 18 brothers. We just recently put on The Dirge at the Valley of Grand Rapids in March where we initiated 20 new members.

