

We now have 64 members and 11 signed up to go through in our future ceremonies. We are also in discussions with the Valley of Traverse City to pick out a date to bring the Dirge down to their Valley. Bay City has also expressed an interest. It has been a very successful and fun first year for our new club.

Our next BOR Event in Marquette is coming up on May 19 at the UP Masonic Center. For those interested in taking part and becoming a BROTHER OF THE RITE you will need to email jakehayrynen@jmlongyear.com to get a copy of the list of Scottish Rite names for you to choose from as your BOR name and to reserve it for you.

You will need to order your shirt as soon as possible to be sure to have it for the ceremony! It Takes time to get the shirts and then have them embroidered!

This fun event will begin at 7:00 pm EST and we will go out to celebrate afterwards. This is the night before our Spring Reunion so it will be convenient for those coming to the reunion.

We look forward to seeing the members of BOR at our third UP event and to help the new candidates "Experience the Dirge."

2017 Planner:

Monday, May 15, 2017: Valley of Marquette Monthly Communication 7:30pm at the U.P. Masonic Center, Marquette. Attend via conference call. Please note an Officer Meeting will take place proceeding this meeting at 6:30pm.

Friday, May 19, 2017: Brothers of the Rite-Marquette

Saturday, May 20, 2017: Spring Reunion-Marquette
For more information visit: <http://marquettescottishrite.org/reunions.htm>

June 10, 2017: Council of Deliberation-Alma.

July 8, 2017: Kayak/Canoe & BBQ Picnic. (Note date change.)

August 5, 2017: Twin Sault Car Show and Soo Locks Boat Tour sponsored by Soo County Zone 4.

Saturday, October 14, 2017: Fall Reunion

Saturday, May 19, 2018: Spring Reunion

Saturday, October 13, 2018: Fall Reunion

Scholarship Recipients:

\$ 1,000 Abbott Scholarship

- Sarah Freerking - Menominee (Jobs Daughter)
Entering MTU for Wildlife Biology

\$ 1,000 Michigan Scottish Rite Scholarship

- Emily Faccin - Crystal Falls (Jobs Daughter)
Entering MSU for Human Biology then to Ferris for Optometry

- Dominique Berg - Kentwood
Entering NMU School of Nursing

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There is this lodge located in the backwoods of a small southern town where the brethren are faithful masons but lack knowledge of receiving brothers from other jurisdictions. During one of the meetings, the JD informs the WM that there was an alarm at the door where upon the WM replied, "Attend the alarm and report your findings." The JD opens the door and sees to his amazement, a brother impeccably dressed with an elaborate apron and jewels about his chest. The Tyler being somewhat slow to answer for the visiting brother, the visitor states; My name is John Smith, PM of my lodge, Past District Deputy of my district, Past Grand Master of my Grand Lodge, Past Sovereign Grand Commander of the Scottish Rite, York Rite Legion of Honor, Past Imperial Potentate of the Shrine of North America, who humbly requests an audience with the WM. The JD upon hearing these words from the visiting brother and the elaborate apron and jewels upon his chest, immediately closes the door, returns to his post and informs the WM: "Worshipful Master, The Grand Architect of the Universe is at the door"!!!

The temple board consisting of several old and frugal Master Masons were meeting to discuss the replacement of the lodge hall. After months of meetings, they finally declared that they had worked out the way to build a new lodge hall without spending any more money than needed. They stipulated three conditions that would be a cost savings. No. 1 - They would build the new lodge hall on the site of the current lodge hall. No. 2 - They would use as much of the materials from the original lodge hall in construction of the new lodge hall and No. 3 - They would continue to use the old lodge hall until the new one was built.