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NEW RULES FOR MEMBERSHIP AWARD JEWELS

The Membership Jewel will be awarded to those members who are top or second line signers and sign at least five (5) petitions for new members. The petitions will not count until the new member becomes a 4° Scottish Rite Mason. The addition of the second line signer becomes effective as of May 15, 2008. The rule for the top line signer shall continue to run in perpetuity from the date of original establishment of the Membership Jewel.

The top line signer only, for Restoration Petitions of members who were suspended, shall also apply towards the numbers for the Membership Jewel. The addition of the top line signer for Restoration Petitions becomes effective as of May 15, 2008 and shall run in perpetuity thereafter.

The Membership Jewel will have the number five (5) attached to the bottom of the jewel. After five petitions the number
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MEMBERSHIP DRIVE WITH NEW AWARDS FOR TOP LINE

PETITION SIGNERS

Those members who are top line signers of four (4) new petitions for membership in any one (1) year, from annual meeting to annual meeting, can have their membership dues remitted for one (1) year. Also, those members who are top line signers of seven (7) new petitions for membership in any one (1) year, from Annual Meeting to Annual Meeting, can have their membership dues remitted for two (2) years. The above financial awards do not run in perpetuity.

Further, those members who are top line signers of fifteen (15) new petitions for membership will become an endowed member and their dues will be remitted for life in the Valley of Akron. The fifteen (15) new petitions must be accumulative in a consecutive three year period, from Annual Meeting to Annual Meeting.

Each new membership petition can only be counted once for a Membership Financial Award. The Annual Meeting of the Valley of Akron is on the third Thursday in May of each year. Credit for the new membership petitions will become effective upon the completion of the 4° by the candidate. The Membership Financial Awards Program becomes effective as of May 15, 2008.

For additional information, please telephone George A. Seabeck, 33°, Valley Secretary at (330.666.8443).

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Membership Chairman

DEGREES FOR NEW MEMBERS WITH SPECIAL FEES

This year, we will start a class for new members on Thursday, November 20, 2008 with the 4°. All candidates must witness the 4°, before receiving any additional degrees. For all new members who wish to receive additional degrees, this is a great opportunity to do so, by joining with us on November 20. All candidates will officially be part of the 2009 Spring Reunion Class, from Thursday, April 16 through Saturday, April 18, 2009, named in honor of Ill John William McNaughton, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander, who will be with us on Friday and Saturday. All Candidates must return in April and receive the required degrees to become a 32° Scottish Rite Mason.

All candidates who receive the 4° on November 20, will have the opportunity to witness the 26° on December 18, 17° on January 15, 2009 and the 20° on February 19, 2009. All candidates will come back and participate in the 2009 Spring Reunion and 50th Anniversary Program.

**Also, there will be an additional opportunity to bring in the new member and that will be on January 31, 2009 at the Five Valley Degree day, hosted by the Valley of Canton. The Valley of Canton will be portraying the 4° and the Valley of Akron will be portraying the 30°. The other Valleys will be portraying the 5°, 19°, 20° and 27°. Again, all candidates will come back and participate in the 2009 Spring Reunion and 50th Anniversary Program. On February 19, you will again have an
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