Fort Wayne York Rite Bodies Chapter #19, Council #4 and Commandery #4 216 E Washington Street Fort Wayne, IN 46802

Meetings: 3rd Wednesday, 7:30pm 4th Floor Fort Wayne Masonic Temple

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For this month's submission, we thank Illustrious Master, Tyson Howenstine, Fort Wayne Council No. 4:.

David Pass, Excellent High Priest of Fort Wayne Chapter No. 19 opened the February stated meeting with excellent instruction to the officers by James B. Coleman, Grand King of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Indiana. Knight Templar Inspection is scheduled for October 25, 2014 with Full Ceremonial for Conferring the Mediterranean Pass and Order of Malta. Sir Knight William Pond, Eminent Commander, educated the Sir Knights on the many fine points regarding the restoration of the magnificent and historic 1853 Charter. He illustrated the process with excellent photographs showing the document during the restoration.

The Tri-State Festival was a resounding success with SK Kurt Begue EPC personally thanking the Companions of the Past Master degree team who traveled to Jackson, Michigan and did an exceptional job of conferring this degree. He stated, "It was truly a pleasure and honor to work with you guys on this degree. And in my personal opinion, I think that this particular degree was the best, most accurate Past Master degree that we have done in the five years that I have been with the cast." Also, a special thanks to David Ulrich who not only had a lion's share of the ritual work, but who brought all the: robes, costuming and props from Fort Wayne to Michigan. Cast: Right Worshipful Master - David Ulrich, SD - Steve Maxwell, KS - Kurt Begue, KH - James Coleman, Levi - Mike Doxsee, SG - Mark Goebel, WG - Brian Hills, NTG - John Tuttle, STG - Steve Maxwell

Preceding the March 19<sup>th</sup> stated meeting at 6:30 pm was supper which concluded with EC Pond's *pièce de résistance* famous flaming Bananas Foster. The meeting was highlighted by an educational talk by Sir Knight Paul Martin, Senior Warden, "Our Obligation as Men." Inspired by the book and movie, <u>Lone Survivor</u>, the title clearly references the "obligation" we Masons take as Entered Apprentices. Mediterranean Pass and Order of Malta cast were discussed and delegated. Uniform inspection, sword work and marching rounded out the night. April Knight Templar Easter Trip to Washington, DC and Grand Conclave in Indianapolis are on the horizon.

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