



GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL MASONS OF INDIANA



Joseph Villarreal

2024-2025 Indiana Grand Chapter Officers

Joseph Villarreal, Most Excellent Grand High Priest

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| Jason Miller, Grand King | Dion Diakis, Grand Master 3rd Veil |
| Tim Brinkmeyer, Grand Scribe | George McAfoos, Grand Master 2nd Veil |
| W. Kris Phillips, PGHP, Grand Secretary | Roy Wiseman, Grand Master 1st Veil |
| Marty Evens, PGHP, Grand Treasurer | Dennis Meyer, Grand Chaplain |
| Graig Huber, Grand Captain of the Host | Shamus Driver, Grand Lecturer |
| Sean W. Jones, Grand Principal Sojourner | Lawrence Williams, Grand Guard |
| Brian Lewis, Grand Royal Arch Captain | James Dove, Grand Marshal |



Grand Council Cryptic Masons of Indiana



James Davis

2024-2025 Indiana Grand Council Officers

James Davis, Most Illustrious Grand Master

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| Todd Carpenter, Right Ill. Deputy Grand Master | Dan Patterson, Illustrious Grand Chaplain |
| W. Keith Stiner, Right Ill. Grand Principle Conductor of Work | Ronald Ross, Illustrious Grand Sentinel |
| David Ulrich, PMIGM, Grand Recorder | Charles Bowling, Ill. Grand Lecturer |
| Max Maupin, PMIGM, Grand Treasurer | |
| Frank Capler, Right Ill. Grand Captain of the Guard | |
| Michael Doxide, Right Ill. Grand Conductor of Council | |
| Michael Bailey, Right Illustrious Grand Steward | |



Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Indiana



Randy Darling

2023-2024 Indiana Grand Commandery Officers

Randy J. Darling, Most Eminent Grand Commander

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| Joseph Sparks, Deputy Grand Commander | Mark Elder, Grand Standard Bearer |
| Dominic Hamblin, Grand Generalissimo | Jeff Prairie, Grand Sword Bearer |
| Jonathan McCracken, Grand Captain General | John Freeland, Grand Warder |
| Dathan Reed, Grand Senior Warden | vacant, Grand Sentinel |
| Scott Sacek, Grand Junior Warden | William Short, Grand Prelate |
| Edward Fodrea, MEPGC, Grand Recorder | Mike Robbins, Grand Inspector General |
| Robert Frazer, MEPGC, Grand Treasurer | Matthew McLaughlin, Grand Marshal, Aide |

York Rite Newsletter

January 2025

To be removed from this mailing list, send a reply with "Remove" in the subject line.

Sometimes being a brother is even better than being a superhero.

Upcoming Events

Don't forget to make your Reservations

- January 11**—Founders Day at the Indianapolis Scottish Rite. 9a opening remarks, 9:30 Grand Master's remarks, 11:15 Information and presentations, 12:45 Final comments and closing remarks, 1:00 lunch. Contact [Grand Lodge](#). Sir Knights wishing to assist with forming the lines, please contact [Jon McCracken](#).
- January 18**—Grand Commandery Winter meeting at Horizon Convention Center in Muncie. 10a Jurisprudence, 11a Elected Officers meeting, 11:30 lunch, 12:30 Winter meeting. Contact [Randy Darling](#).
- January 18**—Newby-Avery-Vaught Banquet at Horizon Convention Center in Muncie. 5p social hour, 6p banquet. Contact [Randy Darling](#).
- January 18**—Council Inspection-South, Arch 8 at Home McDaniel Council #108 in Huntingburg. 11a assemble. Contact [Joel Tennant](#).
- January 18**—Council Inspection-South, Arch 7 at Corydon Council #112. 6p assemble. Contact [Shawn Fields](#).
- January 21**—Jack Sandler 50 Year Award at Mooresville Lodge #78. 6p dinner, 7p presentation. Contact [Jack Sandler](#).
- January 22**—Grand Chapter Ritual Workshop—Veil 1, Mark Master and Past Master Degrees. New Albany Chapter #17. 6:30 open. Contact [Jacob Lamberson](#).
- January 25**—Council Inspection-Central, Arch 6 at Columbus Council #54. 11a assemble. Contact [Larry Gardner](#).
- January 25**—Council Inspection-Central, Arch 4 at Montgomery Council #34. 6p assemble. Contact [Steve Roberts](#).
- January 27**—Mark Master Degree at Green County Chapter #170. 6p dinner, 7p meeting. Contact [Keith Jones](#).
- January 27**—Mark Master Degree at Shelby Chapter #20. 6p dinner, 7p degree. Contact [Randy Ellington](#).
- February 1**—Council Inspection-Central, Arch 3 at Grant County Council #28. 11a assemble. Contact [Benton Davis](#).
- February 1**—Goose 'n Tater Degree at Greenfield Chapter #96. 12p lunch, 1p degree. Contact [Larry Gray](#).
- February 1**—Council Inspection-Central, Arch 5 at Noblesville Council #89. 6p assemble. Contact [Keith Stiner](#).
- February 2**—Water Buffalo Degree at Murpah Shrine Club. 12p degree. Contact [Derrick Schaible](#).
- February 5-9**—Masonic Week 2025 in Arlington Virginia at the Hyatt Regency Crystal City. Contact [Moises Gomez](#).
- February 8**—Indiana Templar Academy—Central at Frankfort Commandery #29. 10a coffee and donuts. Contact [Joe](#).
- February 8**—Council Inspection—North, Arch 1 at Valparaiso Council #86. 11a assemble. Contact [David Noble](#).
- February 15**—Council Inspection—North, Arch 2 at Huntington Council #51. 11a assemble. Contact [Ron Ross](#).

A special thank you to Carson Smith for providing up to date information for the upcoming events.

Mike & Mary Anderson
George & Ramphai Brutchen
Shelby & Ida Olvey
Ken Jr. & Katie Roy

Joseph & Tracy Sparks
John & Jane Stevens
Ken & Rita Ward





January Birthdays



Lady Barbara Atterson, wife of Lloyd Atterson, Sr.
Lady Tammy Bridegroom, wife of John Bridegroom
Lady Suanna Brown, CT, widow of Larry W. Brown
Lady Ramphai (Toon) Brutchen, wife of George Brutchen
Lady Margaret Cole, CT, widow of Paul A. Cole
Companion and Sir Knight Dale A. Foreman
Companion and Sir Knight Bruce J. Frazer
Companion and Sir Knight Robert J. Frazer
Companion and Sir Knight James H. Hodge
Companion and Sir Knight Earl Hopkins
Companion and Sir Knight Charles M. Huff
Lady Janice Humphrey, wife of Virgil G. Humphrey
Lady Jeanene Marie Jenkins, wife of David L. Jenkins
Lady Tammie Johnson wife of Thomas D. Johnson

Companion and Sir Knight Steven Keller
Companion and Sir Knight Ivan D. Lancaster
Lady Jennie Lutes, widow of Wilford Lutes
Lady Betty Metcalf, wife of Walter E. Metcalf
Companion and Sir Knight David L. Miller
Companion and Sir Knight Michael A. Moxley
Lady Shari Musgrave, widow of James B. Coleman
Lady Cat Ping, wife of Jeffery A. Ping
Companion and Sir Knight William J. Reagin
Lady Natalie Robinson, widow of Sam Robinson
Lady Gloriann Smith, wife of Norman D. Smith
Companion and Sir Knight Thomas N. Tuttle
Lady Marcia Ulrich, wife of David R. Ulrich

Past Master Degree

Congratulations to Worshipful Master, Eric Inbody!
Noblesville Lodge #57 held the Past Master Degree on December 4.



Noblesville Lodge #57 Facebook

Christkindlmarkt

On December 6, members of Carmel Lodge spent a chilly night hanging out with each other at the Christkindlmarkt while enjoying good company, blues music, and the cozy flavors of mulled wine and beverages.



Carmel Lodge #421 Facebook

Share with Us

Does your Lodge, Star, Chapter, Council or Commandery, etc. have an upcoming event that we can put on the calendar? Are having a fish fry or chili cookoff that you'd like to advertise? Did you just have a degree and you took pictures? Did someone in your lodge just get an Award of Gold? Let us celebrate with you! Send your pictures, upcoming events, flyers, birthdays, etc. to [Monica](#).



Past Master's Association

On December 7, Tippecanoe County Past Masters' Association held it's annual meeting and Past Master Degree.

Dave Hosler Facebook



50 Years!



Congratulations to Paul Daugherty who received was presented with a certificate and award in honor of 50 Years as a Past Master on December 9 at Hancock Lodge #101.

Paul Daugherty Facebook



Christmas Party



The Grand Commandery Christmas party was held at the Rainbow Girls Camp in Edinburg on December 8. The food was amazing, the Christmas ornaments were beautiful, and the fellowship was fabulous!

Pictures by Charity Brewer



Website Links

Click on the picture



New Master Masons

On December 7, Carmel Lodge was please to raise four new Master Masons. Through dedication, perseverance, and a commitment to the principles of Freemasonry, these brothers have successfully completed their journey to the third degree. Their hard work and unwavering focus has earned them this esteemed honor as they are welcomed into their new lodge.

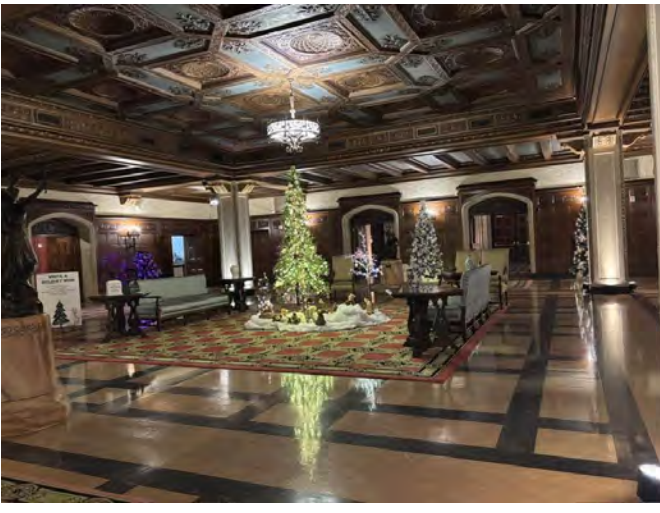
Carmel Lodge #421 Facebook



Christmas at the Scottish Rite

The Christmas trees at the Indianapolis Valley of Scottish Rite were just beautiful this year!

Ernst Buckingham Facebook



2025 Officers

Congratulations to the 2025 Oakland Lodge #140 Officers who were installed on December 7.

Oakland Lodge #140 Facebook



2025 Officers

Congratulations to the 2025 Officers of Kane Lodge #183 who were installed on December 7.

Kane Lodge #183 Facebook



Sportsman's Club



On December 8, Orak Shrine's Sportsman's Club Christmas Party was held at Galveston's in Michigan City.

Orak Shrine—Michigan City Facebook



2025 Officers

Congratulations to the 2025 Officers of Jubilee Lodge #746 who were installed on December 18.

Charity Brewer Facebook



2025 Officers

Congratulations to 2025 Officers of Terre Haute Lodge #19 who were installed on December 15.

Terre Haute Lodge #19 Facebook



Honoring their Ladies

Congratulations to Charity and Heather who honored at Jubilee Lodge on December 18. The members of the lodge are thankful to Charity and Heather for all they do to support them.

Charity Brewer Facebook



Illustrious Sir
JAMES ILES
& Lady Carol
OUTGOING POTENTATE'S PARTY

JANUARY 18, 2025



5:00PM - CASH BAR
6:00PM - DINNER
 • PORK AND CHICKEN K-BOB
 • GREEK POTATO & MIXED VEGETABLE
 • SALAD • DESERT

LADIES AND CHILDREN WELCOME
DRESS: BUSINESS CASUAL FEZ OPTIONAL

*One last chance to let him
 know how we really feel!*

BUFFET STYLE DINNER • \$40/PERSON • CASH BAR
KIDS 12 & UNDER • \$20.00 PER CHILD

RSVP for the OUTGOING POTENTATE'S DINNER by JANUARY 10th, 2025

Name: _____
 Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____
 Please Reserve: # _____ Dinners @ \$40/person Total: \$ _____
 Optional donation to the Outgoing Potentate's Gift: \$ _____
 Total check enclosed payable to: Orak Shrine: \$ _____
 Credit/Debit Card # _____ Exp. Date: _____

Reservations may be made by mailing a check to:
Orak Shrine/Outgoing, 3848 N. Frontage Rd., Michigan City, IN 46360
or online at www.orakshrine.org

Reservation and Payment must be received no later than JANUARY 10th, 2025

All proceeds benefit Orak Shrine and are not tax deductible



Christmas Party, Installation, and Awards



On December 11, Shelby County York Rite held their Christmas Party, Installation and presented several awards to

deserving members and their ladies. Congratulations to the newly installed 2025 Officers.



*8 Diamonds
 Photography*



Christmas Party

On December 15, Orak Shrine in Michigan City held their annual Christmas party complete with Santa and Mrs. Clause and presents for the kids.



*Orak Shrine—
 Michigan City
 Facebook*



Facebook Links



2025 Officers

Congratulations to the 2025 Officers of Grant County Commandery #21 who were installed on December 19.

Indiana Grand Commandery Facebook



2025 Officers

It is with great pleasure and pride that Carmel Lodge #421 announces the successful installation of their new officers for the upcoming year. Installation took place on December 19 where the officers-elect were officially installed in a beautiful and meaningful ceremony, reaffirming their commitment to the principles of Freemasonry and their dedication to the continued success and growth of their lodge.

Carmel Lodge #421 Facebook



Social Order of the Beauceant

On December 19, the ladies of the Beauceant had the honor of preparing the meal for Greenfield York Rite's Installation of Officers.

Social Order of the Beauceant #90 Facebook



Christmas Party

On December 17, Columbia City Masonic Lodge #189 had a great Christmas Party!

Columbia City Masonic Lodge #189 Facebook



Order of the Temple

On December 21, Greenfield Commandery had the privilege of conferring the Order of the Temple on two new Sir Knights. Congratulations to Sir Knight Richard Hix and Sir Knight Christopher Bentlage!

York Rite of Greenfield Indiana Facebook



Masonic Podcast



Have you listened yet? Visit That OTHER Masonic Podcast on [Google](#) or [Spotify](#).

Join the WMs/WPs Group of District #8 for

MURDER AT THE JUICE JOINT

A Night of Murder, Mystery, and the Mob
January 18th, 2025
Dinner at 5:00 pm

All Proceeds Benefit
Lobs for Liberty!
Silent Auction, Merchandise, Roses, Pictures, Prizes

Location: Terre Haute Temple
224 N 8th Street
Terre Haute, IN 47602

Include it in the RSVP if you desire to be a participant or observer. Also, any dietary restrictions. We aim to please!

\$30 per Guest
R.S.V.P by January 4th, 2025
Cheryl Phillips
2032 N 31st Street
Terre Haute, IN 47804
Ccopp15@gmail.com

Murder and Mayhem: who knows what will happen at the Juice Joint or when!

Social Order of the Beauceant

This amazing group of women really enjoys hanging out together! On December 30, the ladies of the Social Order of the Beauceant could be found at Shelby County York Rite preparing a meal before Baldwin Commandery’s Order of the Temple.

Social Order of the Beauceant Facebook



Christmas Party

On December 21, Jubilee Lodge celebrated Christmas together

Charity Brewer Facebook



Feast of St. Johns

Lynhurst Lodge held their annual Feast of St. Johns celebration on December 27.

Ernst Buckingham Facebook



Facebook Links



Feast of St. Johns

Ashley Lodge #614 hosted the annual Feast of St Johns celebration. Members from Angola, Forest, Northeaster, Concord, Fairmount, and Hicksville Lodges join in the celebration. David Fidler II, Grand Lodge Ritual Instructor, was the feature speaker for the evening.

Paul Friend Facebook



Brothers





Masonic Lodge Breakfast

SOUTHPORT LODGE #270 MASONIC BREAKFAST

COME JOIN US THE 3RD SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH FOR OUR ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST! Southport Lodge #270 will be hosting "All You Can Eat Breakfast" every third Saturday of the month! Southport Lodge #270 is conveniently located at 5678 S East Street, Indianapolis, IN 46227 just five minutes south of I-465 and the S East Street Exit.

Breakfast begins at 7:30am until 10:30am. Menu of food is shown on the right.

COST – PAYABLE CASH OR CREDIT

Adults are \$10.00 per adult
Children 6-12 are \$7.00 per child
Kids under 5 eat free!



BISCUITS & GRAY

EGGS TO ORDER

SAUSAGE

BACON

PANGAKES

COFFEE, ORANGE JUICE, MILK & CHOCOLATE MILK

INFORMATION

5678 S. EAST STREET
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46227

<http://www.southportmasoniclodge270.org/>

<https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=southport%20lodge%20no.%20270%20IN&no.20%20270%20IN&no.20%20270%20IN>

Fellow Craft Degree

On December 14, Stranger’s Rest Lodge #240 in Boonville had an awesome morning as Halex S. received the Fellow Craft Degree.

Doug Patmore Facebook



Stay Informed

Do you know members of your lodge who would like to receive the newsletter? Would your lady like to receive it? **Carson** can help you get on the distribution list. Click on his name to get send him an email to be added to the distribution list and stay informed.



JUBILEE’S COUNTRY BREAKFAST

1st Saturday Every Month!
7:00-10:00am

Fluffy Pancakes
Biscuits and Gravy
Scrambled Eggs
Sausage Links or Patties
Beverages





JUBILEE MASONIC LODGE #745 F & AM
39 South Front Street
Whiteland, Indiana 46184
www.jubilee745.org/

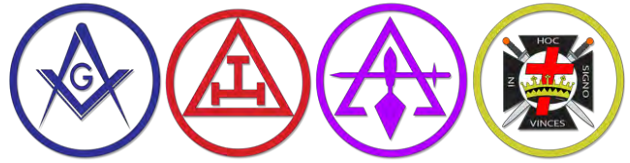



Feast of St. Johns

On December 27, there was a fantastic county wide Feast of St John hosted by Dayton Lodge. The speaker for the evening was Deputy Grand Master, Randy Seipel.

Dave Hosler Facebook



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2025 Officers

Congratulations to the 2025 Officers of Prather Lodge #717 who were installed on December 13.

Prather Lodge #717 Facebook



East Central Department Meeting

Saturday, March 8, 2025
East Central Department Conference
06:30 AM EST Registration
08:00 AM EST Sessions Begin
12:00 PM EST Lunch
1:00 PM EST Sessions Resume
6:00 PM EST Social
7:00 PM EST Banquet

Grand Wayne Convention Center
120 W. Jefferson Blvd.
Fort Wayne, IN 46802-3013

Hilton Fort Wayne at the Grand Wayne Convention Center
1020 Calhoun St.
Fort Wayne, IN 46802-3005

Contact
Jay Kennedy
734-755-4594 Cell
skipk@yahoo.com

Online registration <https://www.eventcreate.com/e/ecdc2025>



Masonic Week

February 5-9 at the Hyatt Regency Crystal City in Arlington, Virginia. Register [online](#).





The Grand Council of the United Kingdom

170th Annual Assembly

Presided over by Most Illustrious James Davis, Grand Master

APRIL 13TH & 14TH, • INDIANAPOLIS, IN
WYNHAM INDIANAPOLIS AIRPORT • 2544 EXECUTIVE DR., INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46241-5013

The Details:
SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2025
1:00 PM EDT Grand Officers Meeting
2:30 PM EDT Elected Grand Officers
6:30 PM EDT Casual Buffet Dinner


MONDAY, APRIL 14, 2025
06:30 AM EDT Breakfast
06:30 AM EDT Registration
08:30 AM EDT Session
08:30 AM EDT Opening
12:00 PM EDT Lunch
1:00 PM EDT Chair Degree
1:00 PM EDT Recorders
3:00 PM EDT Installation
6:00 PM EDT Social Hour
7:00 PM EDT Banquet

Lodging:
Book your hotel room for the event at special rates, available here on an exclusive basis. Please find your booking link below.
<https://book.passkey.com/e/50954859>



FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT DAVID ULRICH, GRAND RECORDER
260-437-1678 CELL • TRVLPLX@KCAACCESS.COM

PLEASE ANNOUNCE IN UPCOMING MEETINGS
MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!



State contacts to assist you:

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Ohio	Ken Crouch 419-460-0296	kencrouch85@yahoo.com
Michigan	Don Trumbull 734-929-6977	trumbulldonald@gmail.com

Tri-State York Rite Festival 2025
52nd Consecutive Year

Candidates welcome from Indiana, Ohio and Michigan

Start seeking petitions !!

Saturday, February 22, 2025 - Angola, IN Lodge
38 S. Public Square, Angola, IN 46703
Chapter and Council Degrees conferred

Saturday, March 1, 2025 - Jackson-Coolidge, MI Lodge
355 Napoleon Road, Michigan Center, MI (Near Jackson, MI)
Commandary Orders conferred

Degrees to start at 9:00 AM each Saturday.

Save the dates!! Help pass the word, copy, post and/or distribute this notice.

Honoring John Swick

On December 19, Clinton Chapter #82 honored Past Grand High Priest John Swick (2006) with dinner and a program.

Carson Smith



Indiana Templar Academy
2024-2025

Topics

2025-2026 Grand Commander's Plans - Sir Knight Joe Sparks, VEDGC
United States Flag protocol - Sir Knight Dominic Hamblin, GG
Different types of head covers - Sir Knight Dominic Hamblin, GG
Knight Templar Funeral Service - Sir Knight John Freeland, W



Central Location

February 8th, 2025
Frankfort Commandery No. 29
201 S Main St, Frankfort, IN 46041
Coffee & Doughnuts served at 10:00 am EST

Southern Location

March 15th, 2025
Bedford Commandery No. 42
917 15th St, Bedford, IN 47421
Coffee & Doughnuts served at 10:00 am EST



Northern Location

March 22nd, 2025
Warsaw Masonic Lodge No. 73
1620 W Center St, Warsaw, IN 46580
Coffee & Doughnuts served at 10:00 am EST

CARMEL LODGE
#421 F&AM
COMMUNITY
PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Join us for our monthly All-You-Can-Eat
Pancake Breakfast!

JAN 11
2025



\$7 ADULTS
\$3 KIDS

TICKET SALES BENEFIT:



Job's Daughters
BETHEL #68

SCAN ME!



Royal and Select Master Degrees

On December 11, Indianapolis Council #2 conferred the Royal and Select Master Degrees.

Photo by Bill Short



Freemasonry Squared



If you haven't been to lodge in a while,
Attend!

If you don't know anyone anymore,
Introduce yourself!
If there's a lot of younger guys at lodge now,
Impart some wisdom!
don't expect others to know how you feel.



Flashlight Tours
Of

Kokomo Masonic lodge
January 24nd and 25rd
Price: \$20 per person
****NEW**** V.I.P. Tour \$25 per person
Doors open at 7:00pm
Tour starts at 7:30 pm
Find out the history of the Lodge.
Enter at South door entrance.

316 N Washington St
Kokomo, Indiana 46901



2025 Officers

Congratulations to the 2025 Officers of Angola Masonic Lodge who have been installed into their stations.

Northeast Indiana Masonic News



Past Masters Degree

On December 14, DeKalb Masonic Lodge #214 hosted a Past Mastered Degree for three newly elected Worshipful Masters from Kendallville, DeKalb and Ashley Lodges

Northeast Indiana Masonic News



50 Years

Congratulations to Jerry Sonner who was recognized for his 50 years of service to Masonry. Jerry joined Angola Lodge in 1963, actively serving for several years before being elected and installed as the Worshipful Master of Angola Lodge #236 in 1975.

*Northeast
Indiana
Masonic
News*



Entered Apprentice

Congratulations to Ken Bates who received his Entered Apprentice Degree on December 12 at Angola Masonic Lodge.

Northeast Indiana Masonic News



2025 Officers

Congratulations to the 2025 Officers of Prather Commandery #62 who were installed on December 2.

Carson Smith



Christmas Party

On December 3, Angola Masonic Lodge held a Christmas party. Santa surprised the children with an early Christmas gift.

Northeast Indiana Masonic News

