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Modified Ritual Instruction Program

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To: All DDGLs, DDGMs, & Lodge Secretaries

The Board of Custodians is implementing a program that will help lodges to maintain or improve the competency level of their respective ritual work while keeping Covid concerns in mind.

Not having a School of Instruction for the last two years has put many lodges behind in maintaining the quality of their ritual. The School of Instruction requirement has once more been waived due to the community spread of the Omicron Variant of the Covid-19 virus.

The Board of Custodians voted unanimously to approve a new program named the "Modified Ritual Instruction Program". This program will be a requirement for ALL lodges, each year, until the fraternity can once again hold the Schools of Instruction.

In order to create an atmosphere of fraternal fellowship, it will be permitted for up to three lodges to combine to complete the requirement. The DDGLs will be responsible for assigning the Instructors or Lecturers to conduct the program. The format will be similar to the requirements in a five-hour lecture service. The program will be tailored to the needs of each lodge.

Once the program requirement has been completed, please send a copy of the Form-38 to your DDGL and the Secretary of the BOC.

In the event of several lodges combining to meet the requirement, a Form-38 should be sent by each lodge individually.

This program will temporarily replace the required lecture service as well as the Schools of Instruction.

The Board of Custodians has tried to come up with an answer to help the lodges during these troubled times. We hope this program will be received in a positive and productive manner.

Tom Dolinger, Secretary

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