

BISHOP FALLON HIGH SCHOOL / HOLY ANGELS COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE
HALL of FAME NOMINATION FORM

I nominate James Lewis - 1975 for induction
into the Bishop Fallon High School/Holy Angels Collegiate Institute Hall of Fame

The nominee fits into one or more of the following categories:

☒ Distinguished Alumni ☐ Faculty Member ☐ Staff Member
☐ Sports Team ☐ Activity Group (Attach year and members if possible)

CANDIDATES INFORMATION: (Please print)

Name JAMES LEWIS

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School (Check one) ☒ BFHS ☐ HACI Class Year 1975

A WRITTEN BIOGRAPHY OF THE CANDIDATE MUST ACCOMPANY THIS FORM.
Information should include Education, Career, Outstanding Accomplishments,
Awards, and HACI or BFHS information such as awards, sports etc.
Nominations **WILL NOT** be considered without a complete Biography of the
Candidate.

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Date Submitted: 4/15/25

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with a complete, updated biography of the candidate no later than June 1st of
each year. Nominations are to be emailed to BishopFallon.org@gmail.com
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BFHS/HACI Alumni Association, Inc.
P.O. Box 25
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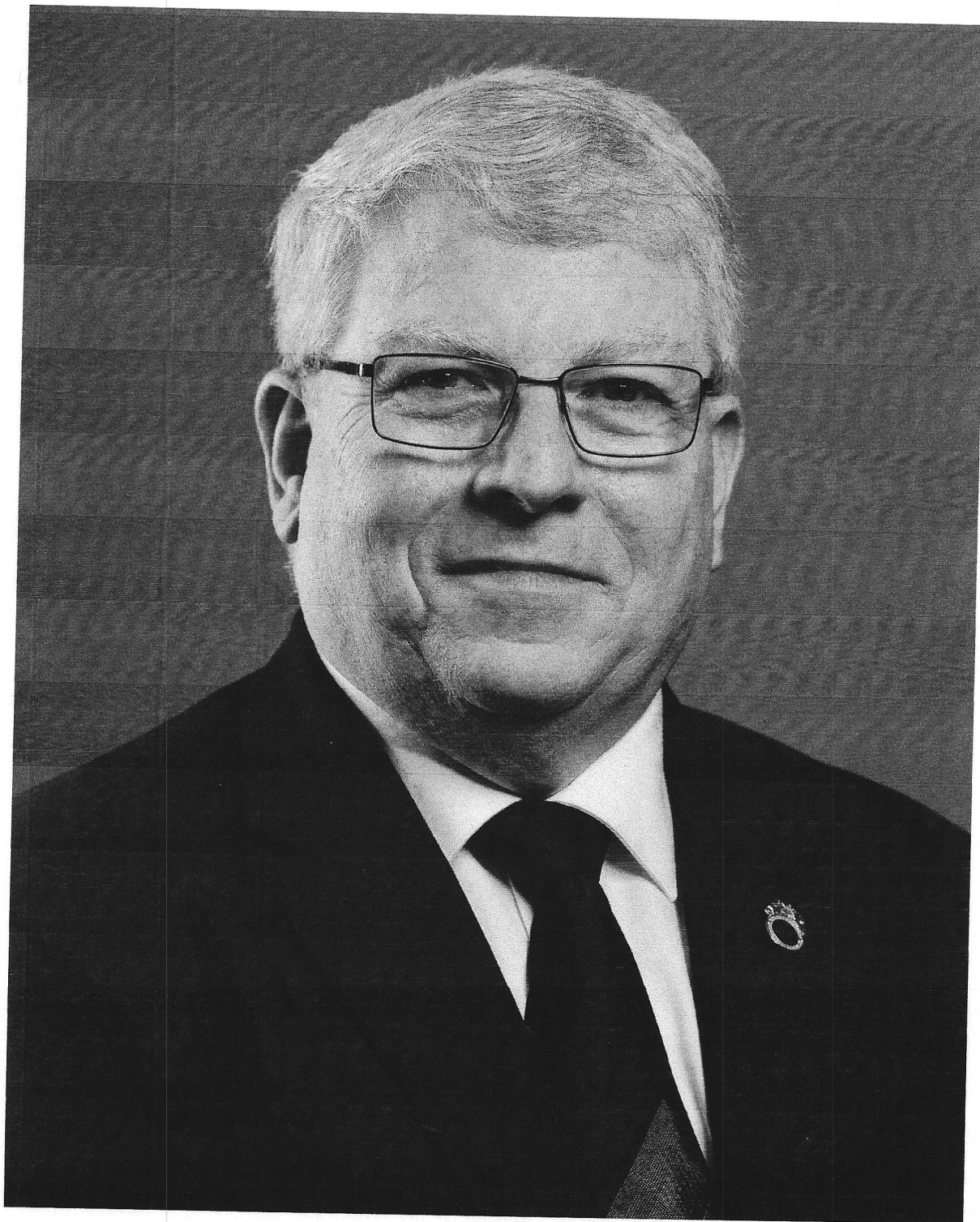
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James P. Louis

Vice President

Department Head — BLET Passenger Department

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James P. Louis is National Vice President of the 51,500-member Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen, a Division of the Rail Conference, International Brotherhood of Teamsters. He was most recently reelected by acclamation to his third term of office at the BLET's Fifth National Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada, on October 12, 2022, having won reelection by acclamation to his second term at the BLET's

Fourth National Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada, on October 3, 2018. He was elected by acclamation to his first term at the BLET's Third National Convention on October 1, 2014. Vice President Louis also serves as Head of the BLET's Passenger Department.

Brother Louis was elected Third Alternate National Vice President at the BLET's Second National Convention in 2010. Immediately prior to his 2014 election to the Advisory Board, Vice President Louis served as General Chairman of the Conrail SAA/CSXT Northern District General Committee of Adjustment in Buffalo, N.Y. He first began serving the GCA in 1997 when he was elected to the Alternate Secretary-Treasurer position. He was then elected Secretary-Treasurer in 2004, a position he was reelected to in 2007, and also began service as Alternate General Chairman prior to becoming General Chairman in 2009.

Vice President Louis's railroad career began when he hired out with Conrail as a trainman on August 6, 1976, in Buffalo, N.Y. In 1982, he began working in Conrail commuter service as a trainman/conductor in Hoboken, NJ. He earned promotion to locomotive engineer for Conrail on September 9, 1987, at Oak Point, N.Y.

Vice President Louis first joined the Brotherhood as a member of Division 752 in 1987. He transferred to Division 659 and soon became actively involved in serving the membership. He was elected Local Chairman and Secretary-Treasurer of Division 659 in 1989, positions he held continuously until 1997, when he transferred to Division 382. He also represented Division 659 as a delegate to the BLE International Convention in 1996. Vice President Louis transferred his BLET membership once again in 1998 and became a member of Division 421 in Buffalo, NY. In 2001, he was elected to the Local Committee of Adjustment for Division 421, and was elected to serve as Local Chairman in 2004 and again in 2007. In 2006, he again served as a Delegate representing Division 421 at the BLET's First National Convention in 2006.

In addition to his General Committee and Division offices, Vice President Louis has been heavily involved in the Brotherhood's legislative affairs since joining the union. He represented Division 659 on the New York

State Legislative Board from 1989 through 1997, and then represented Division 421 in that same capacity for several years. He was twice elected Treasurer of the New York State Legislative Board in 2004. He was promoted to serve as Chairman of the New York State Legislative Board in 2008 and held that office until 2010.

Vice President Louis has been active in the BLE/BLET's Eastern Union Meeting Association (EUMA), serving as Arrangements Chairman in 2004, and then as Vice Chairman of the EUMA Standing Committee from 2005 to 2014.

In 2001, Vice President Louis was elected Second Alternate to the former BLE Board of Appeals. In 2006, he served on the Eastern Steering Committee at the BLET's First National Convention in Las Vegas. In 2011, Brother Louis served as Eastern Representative on the National Wage/Rule Committee. In 2010 and again in 2014, Vice President Louis served as a member of the Arrangements Committee at the BLET Second National Convention and Third National Convention, respectively. And, beginning in 2013, Vice President Louis began serving as a member of the Rail Safety Advisory Committee (RSAC) as a member of the BLET's Crew Fatigue, Risk Management and Two-Person Crew Working Groups.

A fourth-generation railroader, Vice President Louis is proud of his strong union background. His great grandfather, Joseph, worked for 60 years on the Pennsylvania and the Wheeling & Lake Erie railroads. His grandfather, Fredrick, worked as a conductor. His father, Arthur, was a conductor with the New York Central from 1940 to 1968. His brother, Jerry, was a fireman with Penn Central/Conrail who served as a Local Chairman of the United Transportation Union from 1970 to 1979. His mother Leona, a union baker, taught Jim the values of unionism. As a young girl, she would toss loaves of bread to striking autoworkers in Flint, Michigan, at the risk of being chased by management guards.