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Fidelity Triangle Donates Checks at Installation

The girls earned the money for these gifts by holding car washes and charity bazaars, waiting on table, collecting old newspapers, and selling candy, cookies, fruitcakes and calendars. The retiring Queen presents the gifts from the money earned during her term.



W: William Zufall accepts checks for \$136.00 for the Masonic Service Bureau and \$50.00 for the Monroe Masonic News, from Beloved Queen Patti Hutchinson.



R:W: Harry Kennedy accepts check for \$200.00 for the Masonic Brotherhood Fund, from Beloved Queen Patti Hutchinson.

Brethren:

I am making two last pleas to the Craft. One is for the Masonic Brotherhood Fund; from the last Grand Lodge report we are still \$360,000 short of our goal. The other is for the Junior Wardens to mark the date of October 23rd on their calendars for Masonic Home Day in Utica and for the Senior Wardens to mark the date of November 20th for the Western Region Seminar. Please Brethren, keep these dates open for these events.

Through the courtesy of the Livingston Masonic Association and Avon Spring Lodge No. 570, Avon, I am printing this poem that appeared in the last issue of The Living Stone.

Fraternally,
W. Kenneth Dickinson, D.D.G.M., 1st Monroe District

DO YOU JUST BELONG??

ARE YOU AN ACTIVE MEMBER,
THE KIND THAT WOULD BE MISSED?
OR ARE YOU JUST CONTENTED
THAT YOUR NAME IS ON THE LIST?

DO YOU ATTEND THE MEETINGS
AND MINGLE WITH THE CROWD?
OR DO YOU STAY AT HOME
AND CRAB BOTH LONG AND LOUD?

DO YOU TAKE AN ACTIVE PART
TO HELP THE WORK ALONG?
OR ARE YOU SATISFIED TO BE
THE KIND TO "JUST BELONG?"

DO YOU EVER GO TO VISIT
A MEMBER WHO IS SICK?
OR LEAVE THE WORK FOR JUST A FEW
AND TALK ABOUT THE CLIQUE?

THERE IS QUITE A PROGRAM SCHEDULED
THAT MEANS SUCCESS, IF DONE.
AND IT CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED
WITH THE HELP OF EVERYONE.

SO ATTEND THE MEETINGS REGULARLY
AND HELP WITH HAND AND HEART.
DON'T BE JUST A MEMBER,
BUT TAKE AN ACTIVE PART.

THINK THIS OVER, BROTHER,
ARE WE RIGHT OR WRONG?
ARE YOU AN ACTIVE MEMBER????
OR . . . DO YOU "JUST BELONG."

KEN
DICKINSON
D.D.G.M.
1ST MONROE
DISTRICT



Wakan Lodge is to Celebrate 50 Years CHARTERED IN 1926

Wakan Lodge was chartered in 1926 on May 6th. The present Master, W: Frank P. Denton, officers and brethren, will celebrate this anniversary on May 29th with a dinner dance at the Thunder Ridge Country Club, Rush, N.Y., starting at 6:30 p.m.

Wakan Lodge cordially extends an invitation to all members of the craft, their ladies and guests to join us on this festive occasion. Reservations may be obtained by calling W: Frank Denton at 467-4619 or W:

John Rees at 288-5461.

At 11 a.m. on May 29th a nine hole golf tournament will commence, for player reservations call W: Frank Denton before May 22nd. Tennis courts and swimming pool will also be available for those who are interested.

Come one - come all and join with us in making our Lodge motto a reality . . . FRIENDSHIP.

MASONIC SERVICE BUREAU

I hope many of you are planning to watch the Channel 21 auction from May 9 to May 15. I will try to get in a plug for the Service Bureau when I am an auctioneer on Sunday evening, May 9, between 9 p.m. and midnight.

Sympathy is expressed to R:W: Norman H. Selke on the recent unfortunate loss of his charming wife, Janet. We are, however, pleased to report that Mrs. Selke very graciously remembered the Masonic Service Bureau with a generous bequest in her will. This seems a good opportunity to remind all our readers that if you are over 21 you should have a will, whether or not you have a sizeable estate. A will is the only way you can be assured that whatever property or assets you may own will be distributed according to your wishes, if any unfortunate or unexpected tragedy should befall you. Remember also to review your will periodically, so that it can be updated when you marry, have children, accumulate assets, etc., and of course, when you draw up your will, or review it for possible change, we sincerely hope that you will consider the Masonic Service Bureau as a worthwhile recipient of a living memorial. Naturally, we will be happy to give either you or your attorney advice on the proper wording of such a bequest.

Don't forget the Salvation Army picnic on August 14. This is our only major Bureau activity during the summer months, and we need volunteers. Please call and let us know that you can help. Fraternally,
William R. Zufall,
Executive Director

MAY 4th-6th
195th Annual
Grand Lodge
Communication

Brethren:

The Grand Ball was a pleasant success again this year. The food, entertainment and music were all good. I personally enjoyed greeting many of you that I met for the first time during the past year. I feel that this should be the social event of the Masonic year in our two districts and hope that you will continue to support it. Remember, Masonry should not be confined to our lodge rooms - it has its lighter as well as its more serious occasions. A tip of my tricorn to the members of the committee and their helpers for a job well done.

I am sorry that I was unable to attend the respective Demolay and Triangle Girl Installations this month. Unfortunately, I had a family emergency on the Demolay night and a conflict with the Grand Ball on the Triangle Girls' night. I do want the young ladies and men to know that I am very interested in their groups. The second night again points up the unfortunate situation where different bodies schedule events which conflict with each other. I will suggest to the Masters and Wardens Association that they appoint a committee to investigate possible ways of maintaining a master calendar for all of our organizations.

It is very encouraging to see the special events which our lodges are having. The public installations and family nights are doing much to promote our Craft in our communities and among our young people. Many people did not know where the local Masonic Temple was or what a lodge room looked like. Others did not appreciate the part our Fraternity played in our country's history until they attended a bicentennial open meeting. This is the way of the future. Have pride in Masonry - and promote it.

Fraternally,
Robert W. Avery, D.D.G.M., Second Monroe District

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LET'S GO VISITING

- 3 - John Robertson - Move-Up Night.
- 3 - Corinthian Temple - Regular Meeting.
- 3 - Valley - 3rd degree - '74 Masters.
- 4 - Yonnonidio - 2nd degree.
- 4 - Clio - Move-Up Night.
- 4 - Charlotte - Move-Up Night.
- 4 - Penfield Union - 3rd degree.
- 5 - Union Star - Regular Meeting
- 6 - Northfield - Move-Up Night.
- 6 - Webster - 2nd degree.
- 7 - W. C. Hubbard - Pancake Supper, 6:30.
- 7 - Monroe Commandery - Annual Meeting.
- 10 - Rochester - 3rd degree.
- 10 - Valley - Strawberry Festival.
- 10 Etolian - Move-Up Night.
- 10 - F. R. Lawrence - 50 year Awards.
- 11 - E. Rochester - 3rd degree.
- 11 - Flower City - 3rd degree.
- 11 - F. L. Simes - Open Meeting - Pot Luck Dinner, 6:45.
- 11 - Fame - Business Meeting - dinner with wives - 6:30.
- 11 - Orpheus - Business Meeting.
- 11 - Henrietta - Dedicated Services Award presentation.
- 12 - James A. Hard Post - Regular Meeting.
- 12 - Oatka - 1st degree.
- 12 - Churchville - Dedicated Service Award and 50 year pin presentation.
- 12 - Germania - Rededication Service.
- 13 - Genesee Falls - Regular Meeting. G.L. report.
- 13 - Zetland - G.L. report.
- 14 - Cyrene Commandery - Open Installation of Officers.
- 15 - Hamilton Chapter - 27th Capitular District visit.
- 17 - John Robertson - G.L. Report.
- 17 - Valley - Black and White Elephant Sale.
- 18 - Yonnonidio - Distinguished Service Award presentation.
- 18 - Clio - 2nd degree.
- 18 - Charlotte - 3rd degree.
- 20 - Northfield - 3rd degree, dinner 6:30.
- 20 - Webster - 3rd degree, dinner 6:30.
- 21 - School of Instruction - 3rd degree.
- 21 - W. C. Hubbard - Awards Night.
- 24 - Etolian - 3rd degree, dinner 6:30.
- 25 - E. Rochester - Regular Meeting.
- 25 - F. L. Simes - Special Communication, 3rd degree.
- 25 - Orpheus - 3rd degree.
- 25 - Henrietta - Open Meeting.
- 25 - Ionic Chapter - D.D.H.P. Official visit.
- 26 - Union Star - Special communication - 3rd degree.
- 26 - Oatka - 2nd degree.

SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION

The final session of the School of Instruction for this half of the year will meet on Friday, May 21, at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Temple in Rochester.

This session of the School will be on topics pertaining to the Third Degree and is therefore open only to Master Masons. We particularly hope that the many newly raised Master Masons in the area will be with us for this meeting, as well as many other Brethren.

Attendance this year has been considerably higher than in recent past years and we hope that this trend will continue. Notices will be sent to the Lodges early in May regarding the speakers for this session and we hope to see you on the 21st.

Ron Mertens,
Executive Secretary



Terence Cardinal Cooke, the first Roman Catholic prelate of that rank to address a major assembly of Masons, said on March 28th that his appearance before some 3,000 members of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons was a "joyful event" on the "road of friendship" between the Roman Catholic Church and the Masonic fraternity.

The Cardinal was the principal speaker at the 31st annual "dedication breakfast" of New York State Masons in the New York Hilton Hotel.

In his formal talk, Cardinal Cooke "lamented" past estrangements between "your ancestors" and "some clerics."

"Whatever happened in the past," he said, "should not stand between us and the future."

The Cardinal was referring to a series of papal condemnations of the Masonic order that began in 1738 when Pope Clement XII labeled Masons both atheistic and anti-Catholic.

It was not until 1968 that the Vatican discarded the ancient decrees under which Roman Catholics were excommunicated for becoming Masons, although the fraternal order never prohibited Catholics from applying for membership.

A move to re-evaluate the church's position on Freemasonry began during the Second Vatican council, which ended in 1965.

Today, many Roman Catholics are affiliated with the Masonic fraternity.

Before breakfast at the hotel, the Masons attended early services at St. Bartholomew's Episcopal church, Park Avenue and 50th Street, the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church at 55th Street and the Conservative Synagogue, Second Avenue and 55th Street.

After worship, the three congregations joined in a procession to the New York Hilton.

New York Times - Monday, March 29, 1976.

PAST MASTER'S SUPPER CLUB

The regular meeting of the Past Masters Supper Club will be held at the Moose Club on East Ave., on May 28th. Cocktail hour from 6 to 7 with dinner promptly at 7 p.m.

A short business meeting will follow dinner after which our speaker will be Mr. Terry Hanson, Public Relations for the Rochester Lancers soccer team.

All Past Masters are cordially invited. For reservations please call me at 865-7666.

Fraternally,
Jack S. Thibaut, President

A BICENTENNIAL NOTE

St. John's Lodge in Boston and St. John's in Philadelphia claim to be the oldest Masonic Lodges in the U.S. Another claim to antiquity is made by Solomon's Lodge No. 1 of Savannah, Ga., which asserts an uninterrupted record of meetings, without change of name, from Feb. 10, 1734 - a history of 238 years. Charleston, South Carolina, was founded in 1735.

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- 26 - Churchville - 3rd degree, dinner 6:30.
- 26 - Germania - Modesta Lodge will visit.
- 27 - Genesee Falls - Move-Up Night.
- 28 - Past Masters' Supper Club - Regular Meeting.
- 29 - Wapan - 50th Anniversary Celebration.

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

by Rev. William H. McKee

A WAY OF LIFE

Recently the newspapers reported that the annual slaughter of many thousands of baby seals, for the fur only, was going forward as usual in northeastern Canada. Many conservation groups which are trying to prevent the loss of many endangered species of wildlife, have been trying to do something in this matter but have been brushed aside by the claim that it created employment (as does murder for hire, gambling, and many other very profitable destructive ways of earning a living). A rather interesting fact emerged—the men who killed and braved severe weather were receiving \$1.00 per hide which will be sold on the fur markets at only a hundred times as much.

The excuse "A Way of Life", has been pushed forward as an explanation far too long to explain all sorts and manners of evil wrongdoing. There may be some who reside in far off places who know no better, but in civilized North America that cannot be accepted. We have already lost a vast reservoir of food through indiscriminate, unlimited fishing of many varieties with the result that a way of life that had been more honestly carried on, is disappearing in parts of our East Coast and other places.

A small group of men seeking the truth and a way of life, long ago were asked, "Will a man gain anything if he wins the whole world but is himself defeated and lost?" We need to consider where we are going and the price exacted for the way of life we are pursuing.

We need the way of life, of love, and service in God's kingdom, expressed and exemplified by service and our commitment to the universal Creator of all mankind and our widespread unlimited sharing in the brotherhood of man. Pause and consider carefully where your way of life is—does it meet the age long test of plumbline, level and square?

If not, hasten to change the direction, the way of life, you are traveling NOW!

MASONIC BROTHERHOOD FUND Progress Report

BROTHER MAKE YOUR DONATION Drive Ends May 31, 1976

Contributions from June 10, 1975 to APRIL 15, 1976

FIRST MONROE	No.	Amount
109 Valley	106	1177.50
154 Penfield Union	56	544.00
163 Yonnonidio	90	879.13
173 Monroe	67	459.50
476 Fairport	73	536.00
479 Etolian	104	854.75
538 Webster	133	1905.15
779 Clio	76	793.50
910 Flower City	121	1800.00
920 Seneca	144	1756.00
943 Ancient Craft	24	265.00
964 W.C. Hubbard	75	786.00
990 F.L. Simes	70	823.50
1020 E. Rochester	56	402.00
1082 Orpheus	27	316.00

TOTAL 1222 13,298.03

MISCELLANEOUS

Fidelity Triangle No. 4	2	200.00
Jenny M. Lord Const. No. 5	1	12.50
1976 Masters	1	10.00

SECOND MONROE

320 Union Star	22	182.50
426 Northfield	112	468.60
507 Genesee Falls	164	1149.00
526 Henrietta	42	399.00
660 Rochester	58	646.16
667 Churchville	54	312.75
722 Germania	41	295.00
759 Oatka	36	327.00
797 F.R. Lawrence	38	514.00
805 Corinthian Temple	80	737.00
945 Fame	95	846.00
951 Zetland	59	598.00
969 Craftsman	116	1270.66
1032 J.A. Robertson	96	1867.86
1054 Wakan	73	1953.00
1088 Charlotte	182	1633.00

TOTAL 1268 \$13,199.53

MISCELLANEOUS

Fidelity Triangle No. 4	2	200.00
Jenny M. Lord Const. No. 5	1	12.50
1976 Masters	1	10.00

Family Style

ROAST BEEF DINNER

Livonia Lodge No. 778
Livonia, N.Y.

SUNDAY, JUNE 6
Noon til 3 P.M.

Adults \$3.00 — Children 1.50



Dear Brother Herman

Rt. Wor. Herman Sarachan will answer questions on Masonic ritual, symbolism, history and law. Address your questions to **BROTHER HERMAN**, % Masonic Service Bureau, 875 Main Street East, Rochester, New York 14605.

We relinquish our column this month to reproduce from the current issue of Ark Lodge News (Geneva), edited by Dr. and Rt. Wor. John H. Stelter, a Summary of the discussions at their Officers Leadership Conference.

1. More Light in Freemasonry? Who Needs It?

Those of us who aren't proud to be called a Freemason . . . Those of us who cannot reply with a simple answer to a simple question about our fraternity.

When is a lodge in trouble because of poor leadership? When attendance is poor; has a yearly net loss in membership; demit requests are many; suspensions are often; degree work is shoddy; lodge programs are poor or nonexistent; communication by mail is lacking; the community has bypassed the lodge. And, in addition, Grand Lodge directives are neglected; district conferences are poorly attended. In short, the lodge has made members of a sort - hardly Master Masons upon whom rests the future of the fraternity.

2. What Would Be A Quick Plan of Action to Correct Weaknesses?

Correct the attitude of **OVER-CONTENTMENT** by officers and Past Masters. It leads to stagnation - apathy - a rut in the lodge work. Recall the mission of Freemasonry is **TO MAKE GOOD MEN BETTER MEN** . . . a real challenge!

Every problem has within it the seeds of solution. Don't do a piecemeal job. Take a hard look at the situation and expect to **CHANGE** the old way of doing business. Get the best available men to talk things over (**No "Yes" Men**) and go into action. Begin with the petitioner.

Explain to the petitioner what Freemasonry is and is not. Bring his wife into the discussion. The Master should appoint a **MENTOR** (a coach) **EARLY** to guide the candidate thru the degrees, and to continue with him during his first year in the fraternity.

Next, improve the ritual because first impressions are vital with the new members. Strive for a meaningful portrayal of the degrees. It is the lodges responsibility. Develop a team of dedicated, proficient brothers and stress practice for excellence. It will pay off, but keep at it. So let your start be with the petitioner and the ritual . . . but get started without delay. Your lodge may be weaker than you think!



GROTTO

During the winter months we realize that all organizations suffer through lack of attendance at meetings and various functions. Now that the bad weather is gone we hope to see some of the "old familiar faces" at our meetings.

Many important affairs are coming up - the most prominent being our "Spring Ceremonial" on May 19. Our Case, under the direction of George Knieram has been practising and promises us a good show. He has advised us that the Cast is all set but that he could use a few good stagehands. How about it?

The chairman of the Membership Committee, George Dodge, is still working in Europe, but all officers have petitions and the Grotto would be very happy to process them in time for the ceremonial.

Dan Geska, our Captain of the Guard, and Prophet Gary Hargrave are still working on the "walkers" for the Palsied children. They advise us that there is plenty of material handy but they need someone who can do welding to help them out. Can you qualify and give them a hand?

We also understand that our Hospitaleer, Henry Boheen, has been under the weather. Our Grotto can be very proud of "Hank" for all the calls he has made on our sick and shut-ins. Why don't you give him a hand. Make a call or send a card, it sure makes a fellow feel better.

At the last meeting of the Board of Governors, Earl French, P.M., read the annual report of the Temple Civic Center. Brethren, we all wonder where our money goes - and this report explains everything. I'm sure any brother could see this report at the Temple office - It is very enlightening.

Have you ever considered starting in line in the Grotto? We encourage inquiries as to the duties of a line officer. The same goes for the Board. Brethren, it is an education in itself and shows what makes our Grotto run. Why don't you take this into consideration and make your wishes known at the proper time.

COMING EVENTS

- A to Z Ceremonial, May 8 - Binghamton.
- Lalla Rookh Ceremonial, May 19 - Masonic Temple.
- Annual Lalla Rookh Picnic, June 16 - Powder Mill Park.

Just because our Grand Lodge helps our indigent Brethren quietly, don't make the mistake of believing that no one is being helped. **Help to help** our Brethren in need in an unobtrusive dignified manner, give to the Brotherhood Fund **NOW!** Send your contribution **TODAY** to your Lodge Chairman.

LODGE news and views

GENESEE FALLS LODGE

No. 507

2nd and 4th Thursdays

Brethren:

The last few months have been extremely busy ones and loaded with a variety of Masonic activities. Now, as we approach the warmer weather and the coming summer months, the schedule of events will begin to be somewhat less crowded. However, there are still a few programs that are deserving of your attention.

During the first week of May, I will be attending the Grand Lodge Communication as your representative. On Thursday, May 13, I will deliver my report of my activities in New York and the information gathered at Grand Lodge. In addition to this report, I would also like to set aside a portion of the meeting to re-evaluate our own Lodge's situation, particularly in respect to what our status now is as compared to what it was last fall. I hope you will make an effort to attend this meeting not only to find out what is going on in Grand Lodge, but also to find out what is happening in your own lodge.

As things appear right now, our second meeting in May will be a move-up night for our officers and will place the program for the evening in the hands of our Sr. Warden, Wor. Harold Metzler. We hope to have a movie on a Masonic subject available for showing at that time and again hope you will join with us. The date is May 27.

The officers and members who have been attending our meetings have grown accustomed to our new surroundings on the Third Floor, and it seems to be favorable to all concerned. The change in meeting night has not resulted in any new faces appearing at our meetings and leads me to wonder about the reason that brought about the suggestion. Hopefully, the better weather will bring some of you out to our meetings.

I want to thank the Brethren who supported our endeavor to retain the School of Ritual banner. Although we lost out to a superior effort on the part of Etolian Lodge, I was extremely proud of our showing. The final attendance count for the three sessions was Etolian 46, Genesee Falls 43. Close, but not quite enough. Again, a special thanks to the dedicated Brethren who tried.

CALLED HOME BY THE SUPREME ARCHITECT

The sympathy of the Lodge is extended to the families and friends of the following Brethren who have gone on to their final resting place: John W. Coyle, George F. Parks, L. Cecil Horning, Harold E. MacCowan and Leo E. Huntsman.

TRESTLEBOARD

- Thurs., May 13 - Regular meeting - Grand Lodge Report.
 - Fri., May 21 - School of Instruction.
 - Thurs., May 27 - Regular meeting - Move-up night - Movie.
- Ron Mertens, Master

VALLEY LODGE

No. 109

1st and 3rd Mondays

Greetings!

We are now at the height of our Spring season and you have been missing a great calendar of events in lodge!

For example on April 5, Bro. Babcock was advanced to a Fellowcraft through a moving degree directed by acting Master Jim Barrett. All brothers performed beautifully with a high degree of perfection.

If this was not enough, ten Calley couples dined and danced to the tunes of the "JV's" at the Masonic Grand Ball on Saturday, April 10th. I am not prejudice towards many things, but I must say Valley couples were above reproach on the dance floor. Get out to these social functions, brothers, you are missing a great deal of brotherhood.

Fellowcraft offer a travel film and speaker this month. If you haven't joined this worthwhile club, I am sure Bro. Ralph Leffler will gladly make you a member in good standing. They are offering a good program this year and attendance already has picked up. Join them!

April 19 was move up night in Valley as the Master "golfed" his south for the Easter Vacation.

Senior Warden Jim Barrett assumed the duties in the East and conducted a very stirring night of brotherhood. The feature of the evening was an interesting talk by a member of the Rochester Landmark Society. The remarks brought back thoughts of days long gone-by. I hope in the future we will have the pleasure of your attendance in lodge.

Some lodge ramblings are beginning to trickle into our members ears. A beautiful letter from our Br. Ralph Smithers was read at one of our lodge meetings. Bro. Ralph lives in Waterport, New York, but wishes he were closer to his Bros. in Rochester. A very amusing letter indeed, Bro. Ralph. Listen for a knock on your door! Keep the news coming!

A thought for each and every member - To prosper when we think in terms of our Fraternity, we mean those non-financial rewards that we derive from our Masonic activity. This work may be as a member of a Committee, or time spent helping educate a Brother seeking Masonic understanding or as a De Molay Dad or Advisor or any of the ways in which we contribute to the present and future Craft. What are you doing to prosper? Do it today! How about Breakfast in a park! More to follow! Fraternally, David Clarke, Master

TRESTLE BOARD

- May 3 - Third Degree - 1974 Past Master Club in the East.
- May ? - Breakfast in the Park - flyer to follow (date to be determined).
- May 10 - Strawberry Festival.
- May 17 - "Black and White" Elephant Sale - Bring the ladies for the sale - Yes and fancy dessert.
- May 21 - School of Instruc-

ZETLAND

LODGE

NO. 951

2nd & 4th

Thursdays



Brethren:

Time does fly, when you read this one third of this year will be history and we will have conferred the third degree on four new brothers in the lodge. So why not make it a point to come out to the meetings and greet and welcome them.

We had a fair turnout for our tureen dinner preceeding our last meeting, after which we were entertained by the Bushnell's Basin Delegation which I believe everyone enjoyed, as I have received many favorable comments in regard to their entertainment and the evening as a whole. The dinner and entertainment held jointly with Genesee Falls Lodge who shared the expenses of the evening. There was approximately 125 in attendance.

When you receive this news, I shall be in New York attending Grand Lodge representing Zetland Lodge and I consider it both an honor and a privilege to be able to represent Zetland Lodge for the third time at a Grand Lodge session. I wish to thank each and every member for this opportunity.

Our next meeting will be on May 13th, at which time I shall give my report of this year's Grand Lodge session. We are planning to have an interesting speaker also for your enjoyment. So come on out and be informed first hand.

Our Brotherhood Fund chairman reports that he has received contributions from approximately 25% of our membership so far this year, which is a little better than the total last year. It is not too late to send in your donation to the chairman. Let's have 100% this year. Your donation does not have to be large. A large number of small gifts sure adds up to one large amount. If you have not sent in your small donation, if possible why not do it today.

There are only three more meetings left before summer recess. Then we will have our stag Fellowcraft steak roast on June 12th and our family picnic July 17th. You will receive more information about these events later so be sure to mark your calendar now.

Happy birthday to all our brothers who have birthdays this month. Just a reminder to all, Mothers' Day is May 9th. Let's not forget Mother.

Hope to see you in lodge soon.

Ernest E. Wilson, Master

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June 7 - Old Timers Night Awards - Most informal dresser - Most flashy!

IN MEMORIUM

It is my sad duty to report the passing of the following Valley Lodge members:
 Bro. Spiro Livadis
 Bro. George Cooper
 Bro. Charles Setzer
 Valley Lodge will sorely miss our departed brothers - Rest in Peace.

CHURCHVILLE LODGE
No. 667
2nd and 4th Wednesdays



W. B. James Brodie
Receives Service Award

A dinner meeting will be held May 12 at 6:30 p.m. to honor W. B. James Brodie who has been a faithful member of Churchville Lodge No. 667 since 1924. He received his 50-year pin on April 2, 1974. He was treasurer of the Lodge from 1926 thru 1956, at which time, he was elected Junior Warden and served twice as Master in 1958 and 1961. We particularly invite the W. Brethren who served as Master with him to attend along with all the rest of the brethren to honor such a loyal and dedicated Mason as W. B. Jim.

Dinner reservation by May 7 to W. Master William Baxter, 225-5284, or Jr. Warden Leo Pancoast, 293-1686, W Earl Steffen, 392-8224.

Greetings from all and to all. By now, many of the brothers are aware that one of Churchville's finest has been recognized and will be a recipient of Dedicated Service Award

We will also honor another faithful workman that night. Br. Steward Dick will receive his 50 year pin. Just think brothers, Br. Stew was a faithful member before most of us thought of Masonry and many of us were born. Thanks Br. Stew from the Fraternity for the years of Service.

There will be a dinner at 6:30 p.m. preceding the meeting, put on by Nola Chapter 368 O.E.S. For those that haven't attended one of their meals, they are the greatest.

For reservations call the Junior Warden, Br. Leo Pancoast at 293-1686 or Master William Baxter at 225-5284.

On April 14th we were treated to a Bicentennial message by W. Br. Bill Zufall who told of the contribution of Masons during the forming of our Republic. Our thanks to Br. Zufall.

UP COMING EVENTS
May 3-8 - Master in N.Y.
May 12 - Dedicated Service



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No. 910
2nd Tuesday

TRESTLEBOARD

Saturday, May 1 - Ladies' Night, Midvale Golf Club.

Tuesday, May 11 - Third Degree, by W. Sanford Hoffman, W.M.

Tuesday, May 18 - Fellowcraft Club.

LADIES' NIGHT

Our Ladies' Night is being held on Saturday, May 1, and a good number of reservations have been received. Although the deadline has passed as this issue is being read, you can still go by calling W. Sandy Hoffman at 271-7834.

Those who attended our April meeting saw a well conAferred Second Degree, with W. Gerald Glaser, J.W., in the East, and Bro. Harvey Nusbaum, S.D., both doing a very commendable job, the latter with a fine rendition of the Middle Chamber Lecture. Too bad our attendance is still not what it ought to be.

Bro. David Berger was honored the same evening with the presentation of the Distinguished Service Award by the District Deputy Grand Master, for long and conspicuous service to the Lodge.

Our Third Degree on May 11 will be conferred by the Worshipful Master, W. Sanford Hoffman, with the second section by the Fellowcraft Degree Team. There will be a dinner preceeding the meeting; details will be in the mail.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

We mourn the passing of Bro. Hyman Kolko, and extend our sympathy to his family.

We extend our sympathy to Bro. Jack Elias in the passing of his wife, and to Bro. Abe Baker on the death of his sister.

Wm. R. Dunsky, Hospitaler.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Bro. A. David Berger, on being awarded the distinguished Service Award by Grand Lodge for meritorious service to the Lodge.

To Bro. Lawrence Schulman, on being elected Western District Council Commander of the Jewish War Veterans.

Maurice Solomon,
Past Master



Award and 50 year pin presentation preceeded by dinner at 6:30 p.m.

May 19 - Practise for Past Master dramatization 2nd Section of 3rd degree.

May 22 - Practise for 3rd segree, 1 p.m. Saturday.

May 26 - 3rd degree. Supper at 6:30 p.m.

Brothers all - the last item in upcoming events is the culmination of this years Brotherhood Fund Drive. It's your last chance to come forward and be counted. Let us all stand tall.

Fraternally,
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No. 990
2nd Tuesday

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Please contact us if you know of any member who may be ill, shut-in or in need of our aid or sympathy. We also would like to know of other bits of information or honors bestowed upon our members. We want to hear from your and your family.

MASTERS MESSAGE

Dear Brethren:

The Second Degree was held on April 13th and a fine job was done by our Senior Warden Bro. Anderson in the East and all our Officers in their respective stations. I would like to thank Bro. Robert Van Den Bergh, Senior deacon from Seneca Lodge No. 920 for the excellent presentation of the Middle Chamber Lecture. The Third Degree will be held on May 25th at 7:30 p.m. Your officers and I hope to see you all in Lodge for this Degree.

Taking note of Lodge Members who are active in other Masonic bodies is Bro. C. (Ben) Daly who is captain of the Damascus Color Guard.

Our Pot Luck Dinner will be held on May 17th in the Third Floor Dining Room of the Temple. Please phone in your reservation so we may plan our meal.

Brethren, the Brotherhood Fund Drive is fast drawing to a close. For those Brothers who have as yet not given, please send your contributions to Senior Deacon Glenn Stahl. We should all extend ourselves to assist the Grand Master on reaching his goal of \$1,000.

On June 6th we will hold our Family picnic at South Lodge, Powder Mill Park. More information will be coming to you soon.

May is a month of particular significance to New York State Masons for it is May that Grand Lodge meets. Masters of Lodges are eagerly looking forward to this annual communication. For the most of us it will be the first opportunity to observe the workings of that grand body of competent jurisdiction which charter our Lodges. This year the communication will be from May 3 through May 5. I will attend and report what transpired at our next regular communication.

Hoping that all the Brothers and their families had a fine Easter.

See you in Lodge.

Fraternally,
W. Henry A. Masecar,
Master

FELLOWCRAFT CLUB

Our next meeting will be held May 18th at W. Bernie Lind's home, 487 E. Manitou Road, Hilton. I would like to thank Phil Goodwin for allowing us to use his home for our March meeting. There were quite a few members

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FAME LODGE
No. 945
2nd and 4th Tuesdays

Brethren:

Spring cleaning is under way at Lodge! On March 23rd, Etolian Lodge's famous "Old Bessie" was filled to capacity with an enthusiastic band of brethren who very graciously accepted the "Traveling Gavel" for their evening's effort. Did I detect a small grin on W: Chuck Dinger and W: Will Goodrich's faces? One week later W: Verne Halter's bandits joined the clean up and the "Traveling Spade" is now in possession of Charlotte 1088. Thank you for a delightful evening of fellowship, fine food and euvre, but wait till next time! There was a bright spot in the midst of all the darkness. It was nice to welcome several new faces and some old faces back to the fellowship of the Lodge.

Along the cleanup vein! Lodge dues and the Brotherhood Fund. If these two items are outstanding, please let our Secretary or our Brotherhood Chairman hear from you.

Attendance at our Regular and Special Communications and social functions has been outstanding and most gratifying. I thank you one and all.

The month of May promises to be another busy one at



there considering the bad weather.

Anyone needing a ride please call Joe Bishop, 1-315-524-7084, Glenn Bishop, 288-7364 or Ron McAuley, 334-2969.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

We are very sorry to hear Bro. Charlie Schrader's wife has been ill. Hope this communication finds her in good health and spirits.

Also Bro. Dave Long was in the Genesee Hospital for a short stay. Hope everything is well now, Dave.

I understand Bro. Robert Walker is out of the Hospital and back to work part time.

Bro. Elbie Coxs is coming along fine and is checking on every one at the coke plant.

TRESTLEBOARD

May 4th - Officers meeting and rehearsal for Third Degree. 7:30 p.m., Temple.

May 11th - Pot Luck Dinner, 6:45 p.m., 3rd Floor Dining Room. Lodge open 6:00 p.m. (Tux).

May 18th - Fellowcraft - W. Bernie Linds, 484 E. Manitou Road.

May 25th - Third Degree, 7:30 p.m. (Tux). Special Communication.

June 1st - Officers meeting 7:30 p.m. sharp at Temple.

June 6th - Family Picnic, South Lodge, Powder Mill Park.

FAME Lodge. May 8th is the Mills Brothers Show at the Town & Country; May 11th will be a tureen dinner with the wives and the Tartan Square Club will exemplify portions of the three degrees as they are done in Scotland. May 25th will be MOVE-UP NIGHT!

Brethren, our telephone committee is doing an outstanding job in keeping the membership up on our many functions. If you are not reached for your reservation, please call our Junior Warden, Stu Woodard, at 352-4937 and he will be happy to take your reservation. Double check with Bro. Stu and make sure we have the correct telephone number.

May 2nd thru May 8th I will be in New York City attending the 195th Annual Communication of Grand Lodge. In the event of an emergency, call our Senior Warden Bill Bailey at 338-1510.

TIP-OF-THE-TRICORN

To our Senior Warden Bill Bailey and Junior Warden Stu Woodard on the great job they did on the Grand Ball and combined Ladies' Night.

The Shrine Past Master's Degree team and our own R:W: William Gavitt for an outstanding presentation of the 3rd degree of Masonry.

W: George Wildridge and brethren of Sackets Harbor Lodge No. 135 for an enjoyable evening during a recent visit to that Lodge and privilege of presenting a 30 year pin to W: John Huttemann on behalf of his Lodge.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

W: Eugene Hicks is recovering from a small injury incurred at home.

TRESTLEBOARD

May 8 - Mills Brothers Show at Town & Country. Show time 11:30 p.m. Attitude Adjustment at the Master's home—8-10 p.m.

May 11 - Lodge opens at 6:00 p.m. Tureen Dinner with wives at 6:30. Business meeting and visit from the Tartan Squares.

May 25 - MOVE-UP Night. On the verge of boarding Slick Six Zero Charlie and heading to the BIG APPLE.

Fraternally,
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**CHARLOTTE LODGE
No. 1088
1st and 3rd Tuesdays**

Dear Brethren:

When you read this I will be in New York representing you at Grand Lodge, another of the highlights of my year as master.

I sincerely hope that by that time Charlotte Lodge will have an outstanding record to report on the Brotherhood Fund. My thanks to all of the brothers who have contributed so generously and an invitation to those who haven't, won't you do so soon. Even \$1 will put your name on the contributor's list. If each lodge had to pay for the maintenance of it's deserving elderly at a private facility, it wouldn't be as good as our home in Utica and would cost YOU a considerable sum of money each year. Why not count your Blessings for our Home and give just a small part of the amount you save to the **Brotherhood Fund Today**. Give until it feels good! Remember, this is the last month of the Brotherhood Fund, please don't miss it. Send your check to lodge or to the Brotherhood Chairman: Stanley Nesbitt, 151 Dorsey Rd., Rochester, N.Y. 14616.

Charlotte Lodge now proudly holds the Gold Spade. After a tough Euchre Tournament with Fame Lodge we emerged bruised but victorious and ready to go again. Our J. W. Bob Forest once again did an outstanding job of replenishing our strength with a terrific lunch.

Brethren, you have a standing invitation to visit other lodges with me whenever you can. To date I have visited 14, sometimes alone, and hope to get to the rest of them soon. If you would like to go visiting, contact me. Transportation can be provided if necessary.

Our suggestion box has received only 2 suggestions so far, it is there for your benefit, please use it for suggestions, comments or whatever.

May 22nd will be our Ladies' Night, check the Trestleboard.

May 25th - Officers meeting at the Lodge.

Fraternally,
Wor. Verne E. Halter,
Master

**SECRETARY'S
NOTEBOOK**

A Happy Birthday to all of the Brothers of Charlotte Lodge who are celebrating a birthday in May. May it be a most pleasant day for you. Charlotte Lodge has had it's share of sickness lately. Bro. Robert Doane, 185 Kartes Dr., Rochester 14616, had a serious operation and is now recuperating. Bro. Conrad May and his wife, 53 Centennial St., Rochester 14611, have both been quite ill. Bro. Herbert Bengé, Sr., 349 Hampton Blvd., Rochester 14612 had pneumonia. Bro. Willis Browne and his wife, 2547 Mt. Read Blvd., Rochester 14615, our Organist, was in Lodge on

April 6, and played for us. We were most happy to see him out again after his long illness. Dave is recuperating wonderfully.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

Brother Roland Vink, 72 Britton Road, Rochester 14612, passed away on April 12. The Brethren of Charlotte Lodge along with his Family will mourn his passing. A Masonic Funeral Service was conducted April 14.

Our Second Class of Candidates is the smallest in a good many years. Brothers Richard W. Flemming and Fred M. Langer. They will receive the Third Degree on May 18. We still have openings for the Fall Class starting on September 21. There are quite a few petitions that have been requested. Won't you get them to me for processing. Of if you need a petition, see me in Lodge or call me at 663-0060 and I'll be glad to give you one.

There are some of you who have not taken care of their 1975 dues. Are you one of those few? Won't you take care of this matter? Of course there are also those who have neglected their 1976 dues. You can see me in Lodge or mail them to me at 118 Centerwood Dr., Rochester 14616. The Spring Family Picnic, Inter-Lodge Golf Tournament, The Golf Party Charlotte vs Yonnonidio all are coming in June. Watch for the dates.

A Lodge member or one of his Family who is ill is always of concern to the Lodge. But we need to know. Please keep us informed. Call me at any time at 663-0060. Or our Worshipful Master at 663-8589.

Fraternally,
Everett W. Van Putte, Sec.

TRESTLEBOARD

May 4 - Open Meeting (Move-Up Night). Lodge Euchre Tournament. Officer and member will be partners playing against another officer and member. Prizes will be given. Reservations are necessary; call Bob Forest, Junior Warden, at 467-1699.

May 18 - Third Degree, second class - 1974 Past Masters. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. - Baked stuffed pork chop (\$3.50). Reservations a must—let your Junior Warden or one of the Stewards know if you will attend.

May 22 - Annual Ladies' Night at Mac's Sirloin House, 3855 Dewey Ave. (across from Northgate Plaza). Dinner, entertainment and dancing. Roast Sirloin of Beef \$9.50; Boneless Stuffed Breast of Chicken \$7.50 (tax and gratuity included). Social hour from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.; Dinner at 7:00 p.m. Reservations are limited, and the deadline is May 14th. Buy your tickets early from any Lodge Officer.

May 25 - Officers Meeting at the Lodge, 7:30 p.m. Robert N. Forest, Junior Warden

**PENFIELD UNION LODGE
No. 154
1st and 3rd Tuesdays**

Dear Brethren,

I would like to thank all the members who attended our second degree on April 6th. It was well done by our Junior Warden who is spending more time learning other parts. I hear a well versed Brother has taken him under his wing, and knowing this teacher the student should go far.

The Fellowcraft Club has been fixing and painting the Hallway and Stairs, while they wait for the Electrician and Plumber to reroute some pipes and wires that seem to be in the way. When this project is finished we will have a larger and better arranged kitchen. The Junior Warden was a cook in the Army, maybe we will have better refreshments soon.

As the Brotherhood Fund ends in May, it is our obligation to support the home and aid our Brethren who live there. Give now - Today!

To those Brothers who have been away from Lodge for some time, our side lines become space and our new members would like to see and meet the members. In fact ALL of us would like to see YOU!

The Master has been to Thompson Hospital in Canandaigua, to see Brother Arthur Neilson. Brothers Fred Radclif and George Schultz are back in service after having surgery, they look great.

On May 4th the Junior Warden will be in New York attending Grand Lodge in place of the Master. The Master will be doing the first part of the Third Degree on this date.

Brothers Paul Thut, Forrest Rothfuss and Fred Rissinger, the Class of 1926, were presented 50 year Pins and Certificates by Right Worshipful Ralph Kellogg. See you in Lodge - Nuf said. Clarence Woodley, Master

**F. R. LAWRENCE LODGE
No. 797
2nd Monday**

Brethren:

After a period of too long an absence, we are glad to be back in the Monroe Masonic News!

At our March Communication, we happily raised our two newest brothers, Lynn E. Reynolds and Wynn C. Paterson, with the able and much appreciated assistance of certain of our Past Masters performing the Second Section. It was good to have so many of them among us!

Please note especially on your calendar our next communication on Monday, May 10, beginning at 7:30 p.m., which we have set aside to honor certain brothers who have attained 50 years membership in our Lodge. They are Brothers John H. Kitchen, Fred E. McKelvey, Edward N. Pearson, R. Franklin Pigott, and W. Stuart Symington, III. Although Brothers Pigott and Pearson are out of State and will not be able to attend, we hope to have the presence of the other three brothers (including Bro. Symington who will travel from Washington, D.C., schedule permitting) as well as you!

Concerning the Brotherhood Fund: As of March 31, 38 of our 148 members have contributed \$514.00 to the campaign which ends May 31. If you are among the 75% who have not yet done so, please send your contribution now to Bro. Paul H. Rubel, 7842 Main Street, Fishers, New York 14453.

Please mark your calendar, too, for Thursday, April 29, when we will hold another Stag Sausage Roast at North Lodge in Ellison Park, beginning at 5:00 p.m., with dinner at 7:00 p.m. Please call in reservations to Bro. Beckwith at 377-2799, or Bro. Rampello at 334-9327, or me at 546-8990.

Hope to see you in Lodge!
Fraternally,
Jonathan H. Trost, Master

**HENRIETTA LODGE No. 526
1863 1973
2nd and 4th Tuesdays**

Brethren:

On Tuesday, April 13, Henrietta Lodge had the honor of conferring the Third Degree on a class of three candidates. I publically want to thank the Past Masters, the Fellowcraft Club and the Brethren of the Lodge for their help in making this work so rewarding.

Mark your calendars for May 11. This is the night our Past Master W: Lloyd Weston will receive the Dedicated Service Award from our District Deputy R:W: Robert Avery. W: Lloyd Weston has made a lot of friends since coming to Henrietta Lodge and I would like to see each and every one of them present on this night as a show of loyalty to so faithful a brother.

Saturday, May 22nd, will also be a big night at the Lodge. Many brothers in the other lodges have been asking when we will have another HAM DINNER. Brothers this is the night and we will begin serving at 5:30 p.m. Donation \$3.00 adults, \$1.75 for children under 12.

It is a real pleasure to announce that W: Harold Gruschow will be filling the station of Senior Warden for the remainder of the year. W: Harold is one of the many Past Masters who have come forth when there is a need in the Lodge and volunteered his services. Many thanks Harold.

The Brotherhood Fund Drive is fast coming to a close. Have you sent in your donation yet? The need is great and the donaters are few. Have you been counted?

On March 21 our Past Master W: Merton Drum suffered a heart attack and went to intensive care at Genesess Hospital. He is now recuperating at his home and can have visitors. The only thing we have to do is make sure he don't try to get back in the saddle too fast. This will be a problem for him.

A happy anniversary to Bro. and Mrs. Robert Norget on May 13. This is their 37th year together and we in the Lodge wish them many more in years to come.

TRESTLEBOARD

May 4 - Fellowcraft Meeting; Trustee Meeting.
May 11 - Dedicated Service Award.
May 18 - Work Night.
May 22 - Ham Dinner.
May 25 - Open Meeting.

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JOHN A. ROBERTSON
LODGE No. 1032
1st and 3rd Mondays

Brethren:
One thing I vowed not to do this year was rehash old news. I intended to keep this column newsworthy and informative. However, I would be remiss if I didn't summarize the super evening spent April 3rd with the Boys from Syracuse. Following a delicious dinner, we raised Brother Richard Redder, Brother Maurice "Gene" Anthony, and Brother Arthur Gundry in due form. Onondaga Lodge's Fellowship Club did an outstanding job with the second section. We will be hard pressed to equal their performance when we return the visit on December 4. Please mark your calendar now so you save the date. I will be contacting all members of the degree team in the near future to confirm parts and reservations. We feel at least one rehearsal of this section must be held prior to our visit, and will probably schedule two. One will be held fairly early in the fall to permit time to adjust parts, if necessary. The second will probably be held the week before our visit. Please let me know NOW if you have a part and know you will be available to go with us on the fourth. Bus transportation will be available if a large enough attendance warrants it. Plans are to leave Rochester at 4:00 p.m., returning early in the morning. Other points are being considered, such as taking wives and making it a gala social event, so if you have any ideas or suggestions let me know.

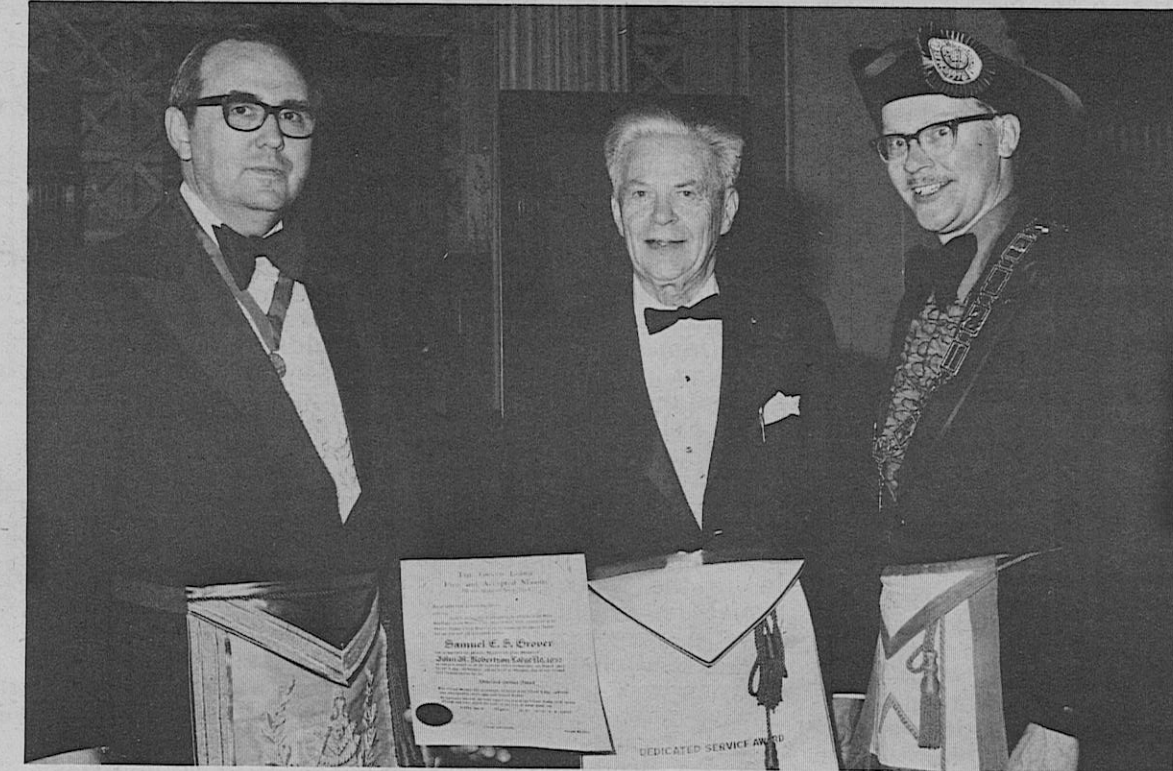
Birthdays greetings this month to go: 1 - Edward O'Neill, George Pasch, Frank Wollschleger; 4 - Edward Start, George Wilkinson; 5 - John Miner; 7 - Samuel Lloyd; 9 - Gordon Rodemerk; 11 - Bert Scarlett; 13 - Henry Scott; 14 - Charles Nulton; 16 - Raymond Pinder; 19 - Andrew Kanaby, Roland MacGregor, Paul Robertson; 21 - Samuel Grover, Terry Ramsey; 22 - Ernest Allan; 23 - James Baird; 24 - George Willis; 25 - Carl Shaw; and 31 - Albert Chapman. All the Brethren wish each of you a happy day.

I would like to congratulate Brother John Josephson on his achieving 40 years with Eastman Kodak Company. The sympathy of the Lodge was extended to Brother Walter H. Swail on the passing of his mother. In a letter from his wife, we learned that Brother Luther Oeschger has been in the Geneva General Nursing Home since January. We hope this column finds him in good spirits and showing improvement. Worshipful Brother Malcolm Nulton and his family spent the Easter holidays in Florida, while Worshipful Brother Tom Davis and his wife, Sally, spent some time in Myrtle Beach. We hope all enjoyed their rest and recreation.

TRESTLEBOARD

May 3 - Move-Up Night. W.B. Ed Walker in the East.
May 17 - Grand Lodge Report.

W.B. Ed Walker will preside at our May 3 meeting while I attend the Grand Lodge sessions in New York City. All other officers will be given the chance to advance themselves for their future office. My report on the



Brother Samuel Grover, center, receives the Dedicated Service Award certificate from Right Worshipful Robert W. Avery, District Deputy Grand Master, Second Monroe District, as Worshipful Brother Skip Waterstreet, Master of John A. Robertson Lodge watches the presentation. Brother Sam is already wearing Apron, presented at the Ladies Night in Lodge meeting two weeks ago.

UNION STAR LODGE
No. 320
1st Wednesday

Brethren:
For you brothers who did not make the 1st or 2nd degrees, I hope that you can make the 3rd. The second section will be put on by Olive Branch Lodge No. 39 from LeRoy, N.Y. This is one of the oldest lodges in New York State. What a fantastic job they do. I cannot just say enough, so how about your support on the sidelines. The 3rd degree will be May 26th.

I want to thank all the officers and the brethren who had a part in the 1st and 2nd degrees. If only we could get more members on the sidelines to see how much interest and effort is being done at Union Star Lodge.

Again a few words on the brotherhood fund. There are still a lot of members who have not contributed as of yet. I sincerely hope that contributions will pour in this month, to help make Union Star Lodge look a little better with the rest of the Lodges in Monroe County, and to make each and every one of us feel that in our hearts we are doing our part or obligation.

By the time you get your Monroe Masonic News I should be in New York attending Grand Lodge. I want to remind the officers that May 5th will be move up night.

If any brother knows of another brother who is sick, in the hospital, or has just returned home, and is recuperating, please contact W. Ken Buckland or myself so we can send them a card to let them know that they are in our thoughts and prayers.

LET'S GO VISITING
May 5th - Union Star Regular Meeting.
May 26th - Special Communications - 3rd Degree.
Fraternally,
Jack McGirr, Master.

happenings at Grand Lodge will be given at our May 17th communication.

We have scheduled a Past Masters Night at the Maplewood Inn on Friday, June 4. Everyone is invited to attend this event to honor the men who have served the Lodge in the past. Further information will be sent out in a flyer. Please mark your calendar now and plan on attending.

OATKA LODGE
No. 759
2nd & 4th Wednesday

Brethren:
This past month has been very active for many of our members. The 1st Degree on March 24th was well attended and J.W. Wayne Abbott did a commendable job in the East, as did all who participated in the work.

Due to a project which the Oakta Chapter 320 OES has taken on for this month, our Annual Smorgasbord, usually held in May, will be postponed until October of this year.

Plans are being made at this time for our Chicken Barbeque. This will be held during the Scottsville Flag Day Celebration, which is the weekend of June 12-13-14. Details will be forthcoming.

As of this writing, the renovation of some of the rooms of our temple is about completed for this year - lack of funds being the reason, not lack of enthusiasm.

FELLOWCRAFT

Those who were not able to attend our April 7th meeting missed a very enjoyable evening, including a pancake and sausage supper, and a special initiation degree. This event will be repeated at a later date.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

We extend our sincere sympathy to Brother Leon Harvey and his family on the passing of his father, Brother Kenneth Harvey, who was a member of Owego Lodge No. 153.

TRESTLEBOARD

May 5th - Fellowcraft.
May 12th - 1st Degree J.W. Wayne Abbott
May 26th - 2nd Degree S.W. Phil Hise
Fraternally yours,
Robert Moore, Master

DUES SCOREBOARD

1976 dues - 42 outstanding
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Please remit to our Secretary, Merl Nulton, so you can obtain your current dues card. Fraternally,
Skip Waterstreet, Master

SUPPORT THE BROTHERHOOD FUND CAMPAIGN

ROCHESTER LODGE
No. 660
2nd and 4th Mondays

Dear Brethren,
On Monday, April 5, during our Fellowship meeting, Rochester Lodge moved from Gothic Hall to Doric Hall on the third floor. Unless otherwise stated, future Lodge meetings will take place in DORIC HALL.

I wish to thank the Brethren of Rochester Lodge and the members of the Fellowship club for moving the Lodge property.

On March 22, W. Bro. Bill Zufall, Executive Director of the Masonic Service Bureau, gave an excellent and informative talk about the Bureau's activities and the manner in which the individual Brother may become involved. The Master wishes to thank W. Bro. Bill Zufall again on behalf of the Brethren of Rochester Lodge.

On March 27, Bro. Harold W. Hoffman was presented his Fifty Year pin by R.W. Robert W. Avery, D.D.G.M. of the 2nd Monroe District. The following day Bro. Alexander Parsky was presented his Fifty Year pin by the W. Master assisted by Senior Warden Leo French. Bro. Hoffman and Bro. Parsky can both be proud of reaching this great Masonic Milestone. I know that I speak for all the members of Rochester Lodge in extending congratulations to Bro. Parsky and Bro. Hoffman.

The Lodge will have a Third Degree on the night of May 10. The '72 Masters, with the assistance of W. Bro. Merritt E. Sweet, will confer the Degree on the Candidate. Also, on May 24 we shall have a Ladies' Night and Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Please place your reservations early with Junior Warden Alberto Echevarria.

Some Masonic Facts: The following military men were Masons: John Joseph Pershing, Douglas McArthur, George Marshall, Henry Arnold and Omar Bradley.

TRESTLEBOARD

May 3 - Fellowcraft.
May 10 - Third Degree conferred by the '72 Masters.
May 24 - Ladies' Night and Dinner.
Fraternally,

Edward Garrett, Master

NORTHFIELD LODGE
No. 426
1st & 3rd Thursdays



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Brethren:
I would like to thank everyone who attended the Masonic Grand Ball at the Mapledale Party House on April 10. I am proud to report that we had twenty-six in attendance. Your great support for this very enjoyable evening was most appreciated. The entire evening was a great success enjoyed by all those in attendance.

May 6 will be set aside for "Move-Up Night." Brother William Frost, Senior Warden will be in the East. A Spaghetti dinner with a wine tasting party will begin at 6:30 p.m. Your reservations should be made with our Senior Warden, William Frost at 244-0136. Deadline for reservations is Monday, May 3rd.

Saturday, May 15 is a date you will want to keep open and set aside for Ladies' Night to be held at Monroe Golf Club - social hour 6:30 p.m., dinner 7:30 p.m. Menu will be choice of Prime Ribs of beef at \$9.25 per and Seafood Platter at \$8.50 per person. After dinner we will enjoy dancing to Len Hawley's Orchestra. Reservations should be made with our Junior Warden Raymond beardsley at 586-3675. Deadline for these reservations is Monday, May 10.

This is your last chance to donate to a most worthwhile cause - The Brotherhood Fund. We are approaching our goal but we need your donation to meet it. May 30 is the deadline so let's get those donations to our hard working Chairman Bro. Bud Pierce. Let's put Northfield over the TOP!

At the writing of this article my wife Jody and I are getting ready to go to New York for the Grand Lodge Sessions. I am looking forward to a very informative and busy time. My report on the Grand Lodge proceedings will be given on May 20. See you in Lodge. Glenn A. Hedges, Master

DATES TO REMEMBER

May 6 - Move-Up Night. Sr. Warden in East.
May 15 - Ladies' Night - Monroe Golf Club.
May 20 - 3rd Degree by Glenn Hedges, Master. Dinner 6:30 p.m.
May 21 - School of Instruction. 3rd Degree 7:30 p.m.

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2nd & 4th Tuesday

MASTER'S MESSAGE

I wish again to thank all brethren who attended the Kodak Night. As you read this I will be well on my way to New York City for Grand Lodge. Please give your support to our Senior and Junior Wardens on May 4 for the Second Degree. I know they will do a good job.

I am sure the Fellowcraft will be ready to travel to East Rochester May 11. Come on out, brethren, and support the Fellowcraft Club.

I know all of you will want to be at Lodge on May 18 to help honor a fine man and Masonic brother, Tiler Don Ballou as he receives the Distinguished Service Award. I had hoped to keep this a surprise, but the press has a way of getting the news. Congratulations, Don!

June 1st the Third Degree will be conferred on our second class. It would be nice to see as many brothers as were present on Kodak Night. On June 11, the officers and Fellowcraft Club are again on the road; this time west to Etolian Lodge in Spencerport to confer a complete Third Degree. Your support would sure be welcome. And I know W. E. Hoak has some great plans for our golf day with Charlotte Lodge. We took the "pot" last year. I know if we try hard we can hang on to both handles for another year.

It seems a long way off, but keep Saturday evening, October 16, open. It is our Annual Ladies' Night. Junior Warden Larry Canfield is in charge and tickets are available. More to follow about this.

Brethren, it is very enjoyable to serve as Master of one of the oldest and respected Lodges in Monroe County and New York State. The officers are all doing a fine job, and we look forward to seeing more and more of you out to meetings.

Fraternally,
Don Carlile, Master

SECRETARY'S CORNER



Action - Charity - Energy - Sincerity - ACES, the winner. If you enjoy the selecting of words to build ACES as I do, try it, you'll like it.

Masonically, the letters ACES, have untold meaning in converting our masonic thoughts to messages conveyed through words.

Action - is to move, do something, be active in the affairs of your Lodge.

Charity - to give of time and money, Brotherhood Fund for our elderly in the Masonic Home at Utica, Service Bureau, for their fine masonic work, other masonic charities that rely on contributions for their charitable work.

Energy - that which is required to move, to visit a shut-in or elderly brother, your roster lists over sixty brothers raised prior to 1925, over fifty years, masons and members of your Lodge.

Sincerity - true, frank and upright, the teachings of masonry, which we all hold dear, to be concerned and sincere to our fellow masons. It is not hard to put these

Brethren,
Ever get the feeling that time is getting away from you? Well, it is! Here Spring is half over already and, we'll wager, that only a handful of us have even started all those things we were going to accomplish come Spring. There's a message in all this: Don't put off doing the things that count, things you may regret having left undone later, when it is too late. The Brotherhood Fund, for example. The current campaign ends May 31, 1976. Don't let the opportunity slip by to help those more unfortunate than you, to do what we all obligated ourselves to do.

Webster's second class of candidates is on its way with the First Degree on April 1st. The Second Degree will be coming up on May 6, come on out and support the officers who will be working that night. If for no other reason, come and help SW Bob Wyble who will be in the East that night. Your correspondent will be at Grand Lodge and Bob will get his chance to do his stuff.

By the time you read this, we will have been over to Fame Lodge and won back our Traveling Spade and maybe the Traveling Throne—at least we will have found out what Tom Hutteman has been up to!

If you were wondering whether you really saw a "For Sale" sign on Webster's Temple, you can stop. There really is one there. We have had an encouraging amount of activity so far, but as yet no real news to report. Let's keep our fingers crossed that some good solution to our financial dilemma shows up without our having to give up our Temple.

CALLED HOME BY THE SUPREME MASTER

Wor. Bro. Luther Curtice transferred to the Supreme Lodge on March 16, 1976, after 61 years in Webster Lodge. We will miss Luke in our Lodge, he was a very faithful member, on the sidelines whenever he could get there, a Mason worthy of emulation.

TRESTLEBOARD

May 6 - Second Degree.
May 20 - Third Degree (Dinner at 6:30 p.m.)
June 3 - Move Up Night - Hot Dog Roast.
June 13 - Red, White, Blue Picnic.
See you in Lodge, Brethren.
Fraternally,
Horace F. Denton, Master.



ideas to work, let's try to be better men and masons. Your Secretary will provide you with addresses for any project you choose, the Lodge meeting place, a sick or shut-in brother, or where to send your contribution.

Be sincere, try a little harder, Masonry will pay off in a better feeling and you will be the winner with ACES.
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Dear Brethren:
A We had our Second Degree on April 13, with our J. W. David Williams in the East. Four brothers were passed. The officers did a fine job with their work.

Brethren, keep in mind May 11 which will be our Third Degree. A 6:30 p.m. dinner, with Swiss Steak, will be served by Eastern Star Women, following the dinner our officers will put on the first section and Yonnondio Lodge No. 163 will put the second in ancient costume under the direction of W. Don Carlile. This section will be very interesting, as very few Lodges do this dramatization any more.

March 23 we had a Tureen dinner with our ladies. The barber shop Quartet that was scheduled for the entertainment called at the last minute, telling me they were unable to come. Thanks to Bro. Herbert Warner's wife Jean, who came to my rescue and put on a demonstration of Artex products, which was very well received by the ladies.

Brotherhood report is 63 contributors, a total of \$469.00. We still have a long way to go and only a month to do it. Please, brethren, send in your contributions to Bro. William Carpenter, 28 Carthage Dr., Rochester 14621.

Let's not forget to keep in mind our annual Family Picnic on August 14. Last year we had a great turn out and had lots of fun. Let's make this year better.

By the time you receive your Masonic News we will have had our Neighbor Night. I will inform all the brethren that were unable to come, the highlights in our next issue of the News.

As we are receiving more light at the end of each day and the weather is getting warmer, it won't be long before we will be seeing our long missed brethren from Florida.

Our Rotary dinners are going very well, with a lot of cooperation from the brethren. If any brother would like to volunteer his services, call any one of the lodge officers.

The Lodge would like to thank the Beloved Tureen and her members of Lilac Triangle for the \$37.00 that was presented to the Lodge at her installation.

We had two candidates to start a new class June 8.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS
The Lodge extends its sincere sympathy to the family of Bro. John Tougher who was called by our great Architect of the Universe.

We also extend our sympathy to Bro. Irvin McChesney on the loss of his dear wife.

Bro. Paul Hegeman is recuperating at home. Hope to see you at Lodge soon.

TRESTLEBOARD
May 11 - Third Degree.
May 25 - Regular Meeting.
June 8 - First Degree.
Fraternally,
Merle H. Rogers, Master

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ETOLIAN LODGE No. 479
2nd and 4th Mondays

Dear Brethren:
April 2nd was a (BANNER NITE) for Etolian Lodge, we earned the banner for the best attendance at the three sessions of the School of Ritual.

There is no way possible to give the Past Masters, Officers and Brothers enough praise and thanks for attending these three sessions. I am very proud to be the Master of a truly great lodge who has the cooperation and the willingness of the Brothers to participate in these events.

And while they came in second best I would like to congratulate W. Bro. Ron Mertens and the Brothers of Genesee Falls Lodge No. 507 for the great effort they put forth. On March 20th we traveled to Yonondio Lodge No. 163 for the purpose of witnessing the 3rd Degree and from what I saw there you are in for a very enjoyable night on June 14th. My congratulations to W. Bro. Don Carlile and the Fellowcraft team for a (VERY GOOD) Degree. On March 22nd the 2nd Degree was conferred on three Brothers and again on the 12th of April the 2nd Degree was conferred on four Brothers by our S. W. Dale Rankin. Congratulations are in order for Bro. Dale and the Brothers who took part for two jobs well done. Also Bro. Alvin Ingram did a fine job as S. Deacon on the Middle Chamber. On March 23rd we traveled to Fame Lodge No. 945 via the Goodridge Masonic Bus to witness the conferring of the 2nd Degree by Jr. Warden who done a wonderful job. I was escorted to the East for the purpose of being presented the traveling Gavel by W. B. Tom Huttemann and I must say it was one of the best wrestling matches I was ever in. On March 29th the great Euchre Tournament was held with Churchville, Hilton, Brockport and Spencerport participating and while we ran out of food and refreshment Churchville managed to cop the plaque and in as much as W. B. Bill Baxter thought that by bringing a large group to the tournament they ought to get the Traveling Gavel we informed him otherwise they will have to earn it. My congratulations to Churchville. April 3rd was another very successful Ladies' Nite where we broke bread with Clio Lodge No. 779 and I am sure that everyone had a very enjoyable time. My thanks to our Sr. Master of Ceremony, Bro. Carl Diehl who gave of his time and effort to make it such, my thanks also to Bro. Rudy Youngman of Etolian and Bro. Dave Uptan from Clio Lodge and W. Bro. Wallace Lessord for getting the flowers for the occasion. To all who missed the Grand Ball on April 10th you missed a very good repast and some very good entertainment. W. Bro. Glen Hedges of Northfield Lodge No. 426 is to be complimented on a very fine job.

While our Brotherhood Fund is going very well I am sure that the Brothers who have forgotten to send in their contributions did not do so on purpose, it was just an oversight. (Remember those who are less fortunate than we.) Our Brotherhood Chairman, Bro. Don Walzerstill lives at 675 Ogden-Parma Townline Rd., Spencerport,

SENECA LODGE No. 920
3rd Tuesday



MASTER'S MESSAGE

Brethren:
May will be an exciting month for Seneca Lodge, especially for me for I shall represent Seneca at the 195th Annual Communication of Grand Lodge in New York the first week in May. The high light of the meeting will be the election and installation of a new Grand Master. Many of you probably know that I am handling the arrangements for the First and Second Monroe Districts and we expect to relax and enjoy ourselves during the time when Grand Lodge is not in session. At this writing sixty-two people - Masters, Grand Lodge Representatives and their wives - will be going down on A.A. Flight No 450, which will depart Rochester at 9:20 a.m. on Monday, May 3rd. We will be joined in New York by others from the Monroe Districts and will make the Hotel Gotham at Fifth Avenue and 55th Street our headquarters.

On May 18th, the Third Degree will be conferred on a class of eight. Bro. Loren R. snodgrass, Senior Warden, will be in the East and Wor. Bro. Harold R. Miller will direct the second section of the degree. There will be no finer work done in New York this year. I urge you to attend. Lodge opens at 5:30 p.m., dinner by reservation is at 6:30 p.m. The business meeting is at 7:30 p.m.

The Monroe Golf Club will be the scene on May 22, 1976, of this year's Seneca Lodge Ladies' Night. We expect a large attendance, including several of our Brothers and their Ladies from St. Andrews, which is a tribute to Bro. James B. Scobell's skill in party management. The social hour begins at 6:30 p.m. The price is \$25 per couple. Call Bro. Scobell at 271-8080 for reservations.

While May will be busy and exciting, we are eagerly awaiting the visit of the Grand Master on Sunday, June 27, 1976. The full schedule will be published in the June issue of the Monroe Masonic News.
Fraternally,
W: J. Rayford Whitley

ORPHEUS LODGE No. 1082
2nd and 4th Tuesdays

Brethren:
As the season is coming to the end before the summer recess, I am almost out of words, we have about 5 more meetings. What do we have to do to get you to come to the meetings?

On the 27th of April we will be putting on a 2nd Degree for the 5 newly entered apprentices, whom W. Bill Helminski sat in the East to put on the First Degree, and did a beautiful job as well as the officers and brethren that attended. I was hoping that the turnout would have been better.

I would like to thank W. Bill Helminski for a job well done and for the officers and brethren.

The 2nd Degree will be put on by W. Solomon Greenstein in the East and by our regular officers, and believe me Brethren, I would like to see the Lodge room filled up, because we can use all the help we can get and show our newly brothers what kind of Lodge they are getting into.

On the 25th of May we will be putting on the 3rd Degree by our Past Master W. Bill D'Workin and the Officers.

I would like to have the 3rd Degrees put on by the members of Orpheus Lodge, but if we can't get our brethren to come to rehearsal or Lodge meetings, as we need a lot of assistants for the 2nd part of the 3rd Degree, I will have to call in for the Degree Team.

Our Senior Deacon Dave Beswick has been doing all he can to prepare for the 3rd Degree, but without the help of the rest of the brothers he is at a standstill against the wall.

Don't forget about the 27th April 2nd Degree, 25th May, the 3rd Degree, and believe me, we can use all the support from our brothers, it won't be a lodge without them, and not only for the degrees but business meetings as well. Hoping to see you all at Lodge meeting.

TRESTLEBOARD
27 April - 2nd Degree.
11 May - Business meeting.
25 May - 3rd Degree.

Fraternally,
Solomon S. Greenstein,
Master



N.Y. 14559, so let's get in there and give. On May 4th thru May 6th my wife and I will be sojourners to the Big City of N.Y. for the 195th Annual Communication. I certainly hope the sight of all the Masters in the 1st and 2nd Monroe Districts wearing the so-called tablecloths, will not be too much of a shock to the big city.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS
Bro. Floyd Holmes is at home recovering from an operation.

TRESTLEBOARD
May 10 - Move up night (all officers). Sr. Warden in the East.

May 24 - Breakfast at Spencerport Temple.

May 24 - M.M. Degree (Master with the assistance of the Past Masters. 1st section 5:30 p.m.; Dinner 6:30 p.m.; Second Section 8:00 p.m. Fraternally yours,
Chalmers L. Dinger, Master.

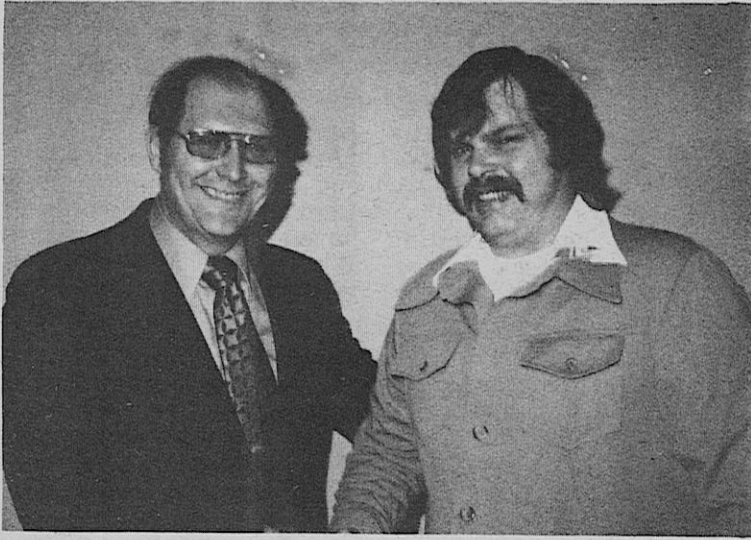
SECRETARY'S CORNER
A visit to a sick Bro. means a

lot. I visited Bro. A. Whittman Crittenden in St. Mary's Hospital - he is quite alone in the world and would appreciate you caring and sharing of your time. W. Bro. Wm. Mason's wife was also in St. Mary's and was happy when I called - she is home now. Bro. Elliott and Bro. Zorn are still plagued with back problems.

Our P.M., W. Bro. Will Goodridge is very busy in his role as R.W. Dist. G.L. of the O.E.S. It was my pleasure to attend several of his Official visits with him. If you look at your Trestleboard you will find we are two-thirds through with 1st half and only 5 meetings to go - then our picnic.

After 13 years as President of the Temple association, W. B. Wallace Lessord asked to be relieved of the Post - W. Bro. James Powell was elected to succeed him. W. Bro. Kune was elected Secretary and W. Bro. Peckham, Treasurer.

W. Wallace Lessort, Asst. Secy.



Michael A. Rapson, Master, Warren C. Hubbard No. 964 and Donald L. Nesbitt, newly raised Brother.

W.C. HUBBARD LODGE
No. 964

1st and 3rd Fridays

Dear Brethren:

On April 2, Warren C. Hubbard Lodge had the privilege to have the Past Masters Degree team of the Damascus Temple conferred the Third degree on Bro. Donald L. Nesbitt.

It was the first time for me to have seen the degree team in action, and any of you who have missed the opportunity, it was your loss.

We were also very fortunate to have our own W. Bro. William C. Buckman in the East who did an absolutely flawless job as did all the members of the degree team.

I wish to thank the Damascus Temple and The Potentate Bro. Arnold W. Frear for making such a wonderful and dedicated group of men available to all the blue lodge.

About the time this article is off the presses, I will be in New York City attending the Grand Lodge Sessions. This trip will be one of the highlights of my year as Master of our Lodge. I am looking forward to being your representative at these communications. I plan to attend all the meetings and will have a message from our Grand Master upon my return.

While I am in New York City, our Sr. Warden Bro. Robert Helmes will be in the East for our annual "Move-Up Night". Plan to come out and support your officers.

I am pleased to say that the "Brotherhood Fund" Drive is progressing nicely under the able guidance of our chairman Bro. Robert Helmes. If you haven't as yet made your contribution, won't you please drop it in the mail today. Bro. Helmes address is 62 Beverly Hght., Rochester, N.Y. 14616.

There will also be a pancake supper on May 7, Social Hour 5 p.m. to 6:30, supper at 6:30. Please support the lodge on move-up night. Please have your reservation in by April 30, by calling W. Bro. Wally Losinger at 865-4616.

On May 14, an Euchre tournament (Fellowcraft night) will be held at the Fellowcraft rooms in the basement of the Temple, to see if the team of Smith & Losinger can be beaten, all who wish to try are welcome.

A dinner will proceed our May 21 meeting in honor of W:Bro. Henry (Hank) F. Leiske, 50 year award. Bro. Bayliss (Red) W. Bartlett, Dedicated Service award. And RW: Bro. Stanley V. Peterson, Outstanding York Rite Mason of 1976, come and congratulate our Brothers.

Under Sickness and Distress Bro. Howard H. Leipham was in Highland

GERMANIA LODGE
No. 722

2nd and 4th Wednesdays

From the East

On May 12 at our regular meeting, we will have a re-dedication service. It is hoped that many of our Germania Brethren will be able to come.

On May 26 our Brethren from Modestia Lodge in Buffalo will be making their annual visit to Germania Lodge. Please plan to come and welcome old friends and make new ones. W.M. Ehman from Modestia has already contacted me and they are looking forward to the visit. Friends from other Buffalo lodges are planning to accompany them, so lets have a big turnout to welcome them.

It has been necessary to move our Third Degree to June 9, when the Shrine Degree team will put on the degree.

Please save your newspapers for our Junior Warden, John Arnold. His project for raising money for the lodge is most worthwhile.

Time is running out on the Brotherhood Fund. If you have not yet made your contribution please send it to John Lynch, or better yet, come to lodge and give it to him.

CORN AND SAUSAGE ROAST

The Germania Fellowcraft Club 14th Annual Corn and Sausage Roast, August 14th.

Place: Powder Mill Park, Powder Horn Cabin.

Time: 12 noon - till ?

Price: \$3.50 per person.

Ladies are invited.

All you can eat when you want as often as you want. Come early and enjoy the fun.

For reservations call:

Norm Hegadorn 637-6912

Frank Arnold 458-4810

John Arnold 377-3030



Hospital for surgery, Bro. Carl A. Jensen was in Northside for tests. Bro. Stephen R. Jay was also in Northside Hospital with a little bout with sugar. I bet Stephen will watch his Diet now. Mrs. Gerald F. Miller was in the hospital and is home now.

Called Home By the Supreme Architect.

Bro. Ora William Allan on March 26, 1976. A masonic Service was held on Sunday, March 29, 1976.

Happy Birthday to all who have birthdays in May.

If you know of any Bro. in distress please call me, Michael A. Rapson at 293-2053 anytime.

Fraternally,
Michael A. Rapson, Master

CLIO LODGE

No. 779

1st & 3rd Tuesdays

Dear Brethren:

At this time I would like to thank Bro. Dave Upham, Senior Deacon Clio Lodge, and Bro. Dale Rankin, Junior Warden of Etolian Lodge, for arranging our Ladies' Night Party. I also would like to thank all the Brothers and their wives who attended. A good time was had by all.

W. Bro. Dave Partiss our Brotherhood Chairman, informed me that we are well over \$800 dollars. The Brotherhood fund campaign closes May 31st. I ask you Brothers who have yet to contribute, to do so now. Lets get 100% behind such a worthy cause.

The March 29th Euchre Tournament was a big success for Churchville Lodge, they walked away with first place. Clio finished second. A lot of Brothers showed up to play, and a good time was had by all.

I would like to thank Bro. Floyd Seely for the wonderful time our group had playing Euchre at Kendall Lodge.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

W. Bro. Gifford Jackling has been reported sick in Florida where he resides.

Bro. Stan White is recovering from his stay in the hospital. Bro. Stan is home and would appreciate visitors.

We at Lodge extend our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

The Lodge extends its sympathies to the family of Bro. Robert Cain, who passed away April 3, 1976, at Pompano Beach, Florida.

TRESTLEBOARD

May 4 - Move up night. Bro. Jim Cochran will sit in the East.

May 16 - Practice for Second Degree.

May 18 - Second Degree, put on by Bro. Jim Wells.

If you know of any Brother in sickness or distress please call Bro. Edward Linaker or the Worshipful Master at 227-2847.

Fraternally,
W. Jim Fallon, Master

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WAKAN LODGE

No. 1054

2nd and 4th Mondays

Brethren:

The Third Degree was conferred on the first half of our spring class at our meeting on April 12th. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Officers who took part and also the Past Masters for their work in presenting the second section in such a business like manner.

Welcome Brothers Louis Robert, James Fischette, John Ayers and John Beck as fully fledged members of the craft.

Please remember our 50th anniversary celebration at Thunder Ridge Country Club on May 29th - further information will be found elsewhere in this issue.

My thanks to Brothers Don Brugger and his wife Jean for the work and effort that they put in to so ably present Wakan Lodge's Ladies' Night, the turn out was great and all who attended had a fine evening of fun and fellowship.

Remember to bring your dues up to date, we have quite a few of our members in arrears and our Secretary would like to receive these as soon as possible.

The Brotherhood fund is lagging - we need your help - those who have not contributed please make an extra effort and dig into your pockets for this very important charity.

There are quite a few brothers who haven't met me yet, how about coming out to lodge and making me do my duty.

Fraternally Yours,
Frank P. Denton, Master

NEWS AND VIEWS

Who said we got lost last month, not true - there was a slight slip in the calendar and no one told your writer... sorry.

Called home by the Supreme Architect Brother Walter teasdale, Edward Delmar and Mahlon Baker. The sympathy of the Lodge is extended to the bereaved families.

Did you know that Brothers Vern Bisop, Fred Kittle-

berger, Frank Denton, Don Grundke, Harold Curchin and Jack Scholfield and wives went to Syracuse for the Masonic bowling tournament. They didn't hit many pins but we understand that they won the first prize for hitting the night spots. We have been trying to get hold of W: Glenn Goodno, in fact several times. Once he was in florida and then in Myrtle beach - boy, the golfing must have been something special.

Our sincere congratulations to Brother Len Walkowicz on his recent marriage. Gee we missed you in Lodge Len, but I guess you had a real good excuse this time.

W: Bob Pettit was away on a short trip to see his daughter in Texas. The few days in the sun must have been fine but the first thing Bob did when he got back was to catch one of our Rochester colds.

Nice to have a new neighbor in our part of town, Brother Walt Pristaj and his wife Marlene are the proud owners of a new home, to them, on Culver Road. Don't say anything, Walt, I can throw a rock and hit the house from here.

R.W. Charles Thompson and his wife Helen are in California for a visit with their daughter. Charles retired last month from Kodak after forty years. Congratulations. The smoke is still coming out of the stack, Charlie.

Congratulations to Brother James Fischette who has just completed his apprenticeship with the Electrical Union. I understand you can change a fuse now Jim.

Nice to see the Worshipful Master, W: Sandy Hoffman, W: Sy Kopemen and R.W. Phil Averbach from Flower City Lodge on the side lines at our Third Degree meeting. May our inter lodge friendship long prosper.

I am still in need of news of the Brothers and families. Call 288-7697

W: A. John Tijou,

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No. 805
1st and 3rd
Mondays**



Dear Brethren:

As I greet you now four months have passed and we still need officers. There must be some one of you who would like to go in line. It is an honor to be an officer and a wonderful experience. We need you to keep our Lodge going. Please let me know if you are interested.

We still do not have any petitions. If you have a friend who is interested in Masonry, **Get him a petition.**

On March 15th our Lodge won the Euchre tournament with Henrietta. We will have a return match at their Lodge in the Fall.

I will be in New York the first week in May. The Sr. Warden will be in the East May 3rd. Come out and support him.

May 22nd we will have a bowling party with the ladies at the Lyons Den. Please make your reservations early. June 12th will be our family picnic at Webster Park. There will be no Lodge meetings June, July or August.

With much sadness we extend our sympathies to the family of our Sr. Deacon Charles E. Lynch Jr. who was called home by the Supreme Architect of the Universe March 18th.

I would like to thank the Rochester Consistory for a plaque and pen set presented to me.

At this time I send warm greetings to all the sick and shut-ins, hoping they will be on the road to recovery and back in Lodge soon.
Stanley C. Allen, Master.

FROM THE SOUTH

Reporting on a very successful Ladies' Night for both Corinthian Lodge 805 and John Robertson Lodge, April 19, 1976. A delicious dinner followed by "Old Time Movies," projected by our Lodge Photographer Bro. James Allen, then an informal instruction tour of a Masonic Lodge by the ladies with their escorts; good fellowship was enjoyed by all.

PENDING IMPORTANT EVENTS

May 22, 1976 - Bowling and dinner, Lyons Den, call Al Falk for reservations.

June 12, 1976 - Family Picnic, Park View Lodge, Webster Park.

More information in June Masonic News

Fall Ladies' Night looks like September 17, 1976. "Lodge on the Green" in conjunction with John Robertson Lodge, more later, but menu, orchestra are being finalized.
Fraternally yours,
George Shayler, Jr. Warden

SECRETARY'S CORNER

My sincere congratulations go to Wor. Warren M. Trimble, Jr. for being chosen to receive the Distinguished Service Award. I can think of no one else who deserves it more. He has been very active in lodge activities and held many elective offices. Being Secretary of the lodge and once Editor of the Corinthian are positions that take more time than many men would want to spend. His apron presentation will be held after the Summer recess and this is an evening that you would



**NOLA CHAPTER
NO. 368
Order of the Eastern Star**

Dear Members,

Spring is here and I hope all the sickness went away with winter.

We were saddened in March by the death of Sister Mabel Steedman. She was a member of Nola 52 years.

Our get well wishes to Sister Grace Brodie.

I want to thank the March Comm. The food was so good and the weather so bad.

The "Next to New Sale" will be May 14th, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. and May 15th, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at the Chapter rooms. I want to thank Sisters Mary Shakeshaft and Leone Miller for taking charge of this.

It has been reported to me that our members who live out of town have enjoyed reading about their Chapter and friends in this paper. To our out-of-town members we send our greetings. Do come "home" and visit us. We would enjoy it so much.

Mother's night will be May 4th meeting and Official Visit May 18th.

I hope you and yours enjoyed a Holy Easter Season.

Most of all the beautiful things in life come by twos, and threes, by dozens and hundreds. Plenty of roses, stars, sunsets, rainbows, brothers and cousins, but only one Mother in the whole world. Happy Mother's Day. Fraternally,
Susan Skelton, W.M.



not want to miss.

Birthday Congratulations go to Brothers: Glenn Merritt 5/1; Robert Spaulding 5/2; James Graham, Elmer Keller 5/3; Clarence Avery, Earl Waltman 5/4; Lawrence Wilfreth (85) 5/6; Wor. Bernard Bonnington (Master 1971) 5/10; Norman Brown, Donald Gehm, Ernest Hillman 5/12; Robert Benson, Jr., Cornelius Butler (84) 5/14; Edward Hogle 5/15; Benjamin Silver 5/17; Donald Miller, Wor. Elbert Seigfred (Master 1951) (84) 5/18; Harvey Van Allen 5/20; William Cook 5/21; Earnest Maurer 5/22; Henry Langknecht, Jr. 5/24; Frank Phillips 5/25; Paul Cady 5/26; Edward Capauldy 5/27; Alfred D'Annunzio 5/28; John Parker 5/29; and Wor. James Gisleson (Master 1960).

WHAT SAYING IS THIS?

A short vocal utterance directed toward the individual possessing a high degree of judgment and knowledge meets adequately all needs of the occasion. Answer to last months saying: Variety is the spice of life.

DUES BOX SCORE

1975-1976 15; 1976 51
Fraternally,
Bertram M. Steene,
Secretary



Fidelity Triangle New Line Officers: Guardian, Eileen Dimino, Junior Lady, Diane Reitz, Beloved Queen, Mary Kay Jackson, Senior Lady, Karen Midgley, Chaplain, Wendy Rhodes.



Fidelity Triangle New Members initiated March 27, 1976: Jennie Sturgis, Eileen Sturgis, Carol Mewhirter, Cheryl Weston, Gail Weston and retiring Beloved Queen, Patti Hutchinson.

FIDELITY TRIANGLE

April 10 - The new Beloved Queen, Mary Kay Jackson, and her staff of officers, were installed by Jr. Deputy Mrs. Helen Paget, in Cathedral Hall.

The installing Marshalls were Carol Jackson and retiring Queen Pattie Hutchinson. The installing Chaplain was past Queen Debra Crandall.

The organist was Daddy Martin Reitz. Guest organist was David Cordy and the Soloist was W: June Gudel.

The color guard of the James A. Hard Post of the Masonic War Veterans, presented and retired the flag.

Fifteen members of the Shrine, formed a special honor guard for the new Beloved Queen.

Special Guests included - R:W: Harry Kennedy, Regional Vice Chairman of Brotherhood Fund; W: William Zufall, Executive Director of Masonic Service Bureau; Mr. Schmeiser, Captain of Legion of Honor; W: Karen Leipold, Senior Advisor; Debbie Leipold, Jr. Advisor; R:W: Patricia Slack, O.E.S. Grand Representative to South Dakota; W: Ramona and W: Joseph Dimino, Matron and Patron of Irondequoit Chapter; Mrs. Gurney, Jr. Deputy of Lilac Triangle; Heidi Pulver, Queen of Lilac Triangle; W: Thelma Seuffert, Matron of Sunshine Chapter; Edward Doud, Master Councilor of Rochester DeMolay; and Larry Beikirk, Deputy Regional Master Councilor.

A reception, social hour and refreshments followed the ceremonies.

TERM PLANS

May 4 - Fidelity will present Mother's Day Degree for Webster Chapter.

May 7 - Fidelity will present Mother's Day Degree for Sunshine Chapter.

May 8 - Regular meeting and Mother's Day Degree.

May 22 - Triangle District Convention at Fidelity.

May 24 - Fidelity will present degree for Wakan Lodge.

May 30 - Roller skate party at Olympic Bowl, 5 to 7 p.m.



New Officers of Lilac Triangle No. 121



Patty McCullough, Chaplain; Kathy Doyle, Junior Lady; Heidi Pulver, Beloved Queen; Linda Gurney, Senior Lady; Laurie Arthur, Guardian.

LILAC TRIANGLE

Since this is our Bicentennial year, Mr. Glen Hedges, Master of Northfield Lodge, was pleasantly surprised on March 18th to see the girls do their version of a Bicentennial program. Everyone, including his daughter Denise, kept the secret.

Saturday evening, March 20th, 38 champion bowlers showed up at Clover Lanes. Next stop? Definitely Bowling for Dollars. Instead of going home and soaking tired muscles, everyone went to Pizza Kitchens. The waitress was shocked when we all walked in.

Sunday morning we all got up, dressed in white gowns, and attended the worship service at East Rochester Presbyterian Church. Following the service the girls performed their Bicentennial Degree.

March 29th found everyone at the Rochester Friendly home to present the Bicentennial Degree. The residents were very pleased and warmly thanked the girls for their table favors at Christmas time.

Saturday, April 3rd was Lilac Triangles big spring event. Mrs. Elsie Gurney, Junior Deputy, installed Miss Heidi Pulver, Beloved Queen. Also installed were Heidi's staff of officers. When Beloved Queen Heidi opened her gift from the Senior Lady Linda Gurney, she found a large Snoopy Dog. At this time Junior Past Beloved Queen Susan Gurney asked all line officers to open the packages by their chains. Wow! Each girl had her own little snoopy puppy.

Sunday, April 11th, a group drove to the Veteran's Hospital to help the Masons make a happy day for the men. This is the last Sunday we will be going until October but, as usual, we will go down one Tuesday night a month during the summer.

**JENNIE M. LORD
CONSTELLATION No. 5**

On February 7, the Jennie M. Lord Constellation got under way with a youth Expo at the Dome Arena. We had girls there raising money for Exalted Star Elaine Beardsleys' project which is the "Monroe Commandry Eye Foundation." On February 20, we had a bowling party followed by a get-together at the home of our Exalted Star. Later in the month on february 28, we were honored by an official visit of our grand Exalted Star, Miss Sandy Hazelwood, and her staff of Grand Officers.

On March 19, we served dinner for the Monroe Commandry at the Masonic Temple. Then on March 20, we honored our District Grand Officers by having a homecoming at the Charlotte Temple. The girls honored were Brenda Miller, District Deputy Grand Exalted Star; Wendy Bock, Grand Advisory Board Member; Debbie Patrick, Grand Star of Devotion; Sue Barrett, Grand Star of Mercy; Ruth Gleason, Grand Star of Faith; Della Ludwig, Grand Star of Sincerity, and our newest member of the Grand Constellation, Diane DaRue, Grand Star of Service.

On April 3 we will be putting on a dinner for the New York Rite College. The following week on April 10, we will be having initiation of new members. April 24, we are having a car wash (more details later). Coming up is the Grand Matrons' visit, in which we will be in charge of checking wraps. In the near future we are planning a garage sale to raise money for our Exalted Star's project.

April 29 through May 2, is our annual convention at Watson Homestead. Respectfully submitted,
Wendy Bock,
Corresponding Secretary.

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**CYRENE
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No. 39
KNIGHTS
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One of our most important events of each year is our Official Inspection. This year we were pleased to have as our Inspecting Officer, S.K. Alexander Polio, Grand Sword Bearer, Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of New York State. The results of his reports have been received and there is no way that I can express how pleased I was with them. We received a rating of 108.8 for the night and 115.4 for the years rating. All the Officers of Cyrene Commandery did a terrific job. Their support during the year, their enthusiasm, have made my year as Commander a lot easier and a very enjoyable one. Thanks.

The ladies of the Schicker Club also should be congratulated for the covered dish and Ham Dinner that they provided for us. They entertained the wife of our Inspecting Officer and she was impressed with the egg coloring demonstration. Our Inspecting Officer also gave them high praises for their assistance in helping our Commandery during the year.

Ed Summerville has been out sick but was at our Official Visit and is feeling much better. Hope to see more of him. David Buckley is home from the Hospital and is feeling much better. Keep it up. We also lost one of our members to the Supreme Architect of us all. S.K. Luther S. Curtice, created a Knight of the Temple on March 23, 1917, and passed away on March 16th, 1976. We will miss him very much and sympathy and cards was extended and sent to his family.

Congratulations to our Sword Bearer, Stanley Peterson on his new assignment as Assistant Grand Lecturer for the Royal Arch Masons, 27th District; also on his receiving the York Rite Mason Award of the year. To our Sentinel, Donald S. Ballou, congratulations on his receiving the Dedicated Service Sward by Yonnonadio Lodge No. 163.

Easter Sunday being the 18th of April this year, Howard Hornik and his wife and a few other Sir Knights attended the Annual Sunrise Service at Washington D.C. and a very good time was had by all. It was an Inspiring Day to see all Sir Knights marching in to the Big Arlington Amphitheater for the Service. The band Music was again provided for us by the United States Marine Corp. Thanks to all for attending.

Once again our Recorder is willing and able to receive

**HAMILTON CHAPTER NO. 62
ROYAL ARCH
MASON'S**



**2nd and 4th
Thursdays**

Chartered in 1819

It may be spring, the flowers are coming out. Seeds are sprouting in the basement and plants are growing, getting ready to be planted in the garden as soon as it is warm enough out doors and our work goes right on. May has its highlights for your attention. Then, by the end of the month, we can look forward to our spring picnic and summers' rest from our labors.

Your particular attention is directed to our May 15th meetings. This has developed into a 27th Capitular District Visit by the Grand Captain of the Host, R. Ex. Arthur D. Radlein. We are the Host Chapter and should be prepared for a large turnout.

In other parts of this paper you will read about the honors received by our R. Ex. Companion and we add our congratulations. This companion well deserves these honors. Three more citations will be delivered to other companions during the next few weeks.

Our congratulations to those of our companions who have been sick. We are glad that they have recovered so well. All of them we know of are now out and have become active in our functions again. We hope that R. Ex. William Plew enjoys his new apartment. Be patient, Bill, it takes time to become used to a small place after years of living in larger quarters.

Bob Cook is now working on our picnic, June 10th. It will again be at Powder Mill Park. In the June news, the full details of this event will be published. Contact him and tell him how many are coming and ask him what to bring.



dues that you send to him. Make him happy. Thanks.

Coming up in May: The 14th is our Installation of our 1976 and 1977 Officers and it will be a Public Installation. Let's bring our friends to this big Installation so they may see how nice it is and what we do. There will be no Conclave on the 28th of May but we will have a picnic sometime in June to be announced later. No Conclaves in June this year.

In the fall, September 17th, 18th, and 19th, Grand Commandery Conclave to be held in Syracuse, N.Y. Let you know about it later. On September 28th there will be a Zone Officers Meeting in Palmyra, N.Y.

Believe that is all for now but more later. Have a happy. Fraternally yours, Howard Hornik, Em. Commander. R. E. Huff, Reporter, P.C.

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**WEBSTER CHAPTER
No. 296
Royal Arch Masons**

Dear Companions:

A group of Companions and their families enjoyed a fine pot luck dinner, on the 13th of April. A special thanks to Scribe E. Don Evans and his wife for their many labors to make this affair a success.

On April 27, Webster Chapter was the host Chapter for the Grand Lecturer's Convention. A goodly number of companions of the 27th Capitular District were on hand. R.E. William Carr gave us the do's and don'ts of the Royal Arch Degree. I wish to thank V.E. Stan Pederson for his many arrangements he made and R.E. William Carr for his long trip and the many fine tips on our ritual work.

In the month of May we will have two regular meetings, both in Webster. Let's try to get as many members out as possible. I am sure there are many members who would come out, if only some companion would offer them a ride to and from our meetings.

June 8 will be our official visit by District Deputy, R.E. Hal Miller. Let's plan a large turnout for Hal that night.

Save the afternoon of Sunday, June 13, for the big Bicentennial, Red, White & Blue picnic, more details later.

Fraternally yours,
Jerry Pulver, High Priest.

**GENESEE YORK RITE
College No. 25**

The afternoon and evening of Saturday, April 3, proved to be an outstanding event, representing a first in the history of Genesee College No. 25; the visit of the Sovereign Grand Governor of the York Rite College of North America, Charles F. Davis, who traveled from his home in Wilmette, Illinois to be with us on this special occasion. Also participating in this festive affair were many Companion Knights from the Central City College in Syracuse.

Highlight of the afternoon meeting was the conferral of the York Rite Degree in full form on four exemplary York Rite Masons who had been invited to join the College; Emmet D'Arcy, Frederick Holderle, Gordon Nichols and Stanley Peterson. The sections of the degree were put on by members of both Genesee and Central City Colleges, with the very impressive middle section being performed in complete regalia by our visitors from Syracuse. Preeminent Governor Ralph Biggar officiated in the East and performed his usual outstanding ritual work. Following the degree, the Colleges were privileged to hear an inspiring address from the Sovereign Grand Governor.

At the conclusion of the meeting all joined the ladies in ballroom B for a libation hour and a sumptuous banquet prepared and served by the girls of the Jennie M. Lord Constellation No. 5. Immediately after dinner the York Rite Man-of-The-Year award with a distinguished plaque was presented to recently initiated Companion Knight Stanley Peterson. Culminating the days festivities was another stirring address from Sovereign Grand Governor, Charles F. Davis.

Raymond R. Beardsley, Primate

**MONROE
COMMANDERY
No. 12
KNIGHTS
TEMPLAR**



**Instituted and
Chartered - June 8, 1827
1st and 3rd Fridays**

**SUMMONS
YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL CONCLAVE OF MONROE COMMANDERY NO. 12 TO BE HELD FRIDAY, MAY 7th, 1976, AT 8 P.M. IN CATHEDRAL HALL, MASONIC TEMPLE, ROCHESTER, N.Y. THE PURPOSE OF THIS CONCLAVE IS THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1976 and 1977.**

S. K. Walter G. Fotch, Recorder.

Sir Knights:

As this will be my last writing for my term of office, I should summarize briefly.

Our Installation will be an everlasting memory in my life as it will in my wife's, as will the Grand Conclave in Lake Placid.

We had the honor of serving as honor guard for one of our Sir Knight's wedding, as well as the privilege of same for a Constellation Girl's Installation.

It was our pleasure to formulate a York Rite program for 6 Blue Lodges, which we enjoyed doing very much for the purpose of informing them as to our tenets and teachings.

Our Past Commanders Night, Christmas Toast with dinner and a sing-along with our ladies, and our annual Memorial Service were well attended and enjoyed by all, in harmony.

I feel we had a very successful inspection by the Grand Generalissimo, and we knighted 17 new Sir Knights this term.

We put three new Sir Knights in line, and three other new Sir Knights in active participation of the work. We can only hope to keep them and more new Sir Knights in active parts, learn the work and maintain interest in the York Rite - perhaps even to relieve some of the old timers of the long responsibilities of the labor of Degree work, etc.

My term of office as Commander will be something I will remember for the rest of my life. I have learned so very much about Commandery, it's Orders and Ritual, and felt the love and friendship of the membership. You never seem to accomplish everything you had hoped to and you have a chance to see, from the East, where improvement and changes for the betterment of the Commandery could help feed the hungry, clothe the naked and bind up the wounds of the afflicted. I appreciate, and thank, Monroe Commandery members for the opportunity to serve them, and for the honor of being elected Commander of this great fraternity of Christian Faith, where the greatest jewel in the asylum is the Holy Bible.

On April 4th we went to church together with our ladies at the Church of the Masters, after which we were served a delicious dinner at the Church - 33 dinners were served.

On May 2nd there will be a Church service for Zone 11 at Palmyra at the Zion

**IONIC CHAPTER
No. 210
Royal Arch Masons**

2nd and 4th Tuesdays

Companions:

During the past month of April, Ionic Chapter had the esteem honor of having two of its companions a recipient of an outstanding award for their work in Masonry. First there was E: Companion Don Ballou, who was awarded the "Dedicated Service Award" by the Grand Lodge for his many years of devoted service to Yonnonadio Lodge No. 163 (and many other Masonic Bodies). Congratulations Don. Next we have V.E. Companion Stan Peterson who was presented the "Outstanding York Rite Mason for 1975" award. I was very happy and proud to have been present at the presentation of the award to Stan. The award was presented on April 3rd by Charles F. Davis, Governor General, York Rite Sovereign College of North America. Congratulations Stan.

On April 27th, Ionic Chapter traveled to Webster Chapter No. 296 for the 27th Capitular District Convention (RAM). The Grand Lecturer, M.E. William Carr was their to direct the work. Ionic Chapter provided the "Principal Sojourner" (Dean Airy), "First Veil" (Chuck Dinger), "Second Veil" (Mike Oyer), and "Explanation of the Key" (Bill Angold).

There will not be a meeting on May 11th.

Our May 25th meeting will have the D.D.H.P. making his official visit to Ionic. The Chapter will open at 8:00 p.m. sharp. Let's all come out and give out D.D.H.P. a big and warm welcome.

Plans are being formulated for a family picnic to be held during the summer. Details will be forth coming.

Fraternally yours,
Jim Nersinger, High Priest

Episcopal Church. Preceding will be a breakfast at 9 a.m. with service at 10 a.m., without swords.

May 7th will be Election of Officers, with a public installation May 21st. Come out and let's all get behind the incoming Commander and give him our full support.

Our Prelate, Wm. T. Plews has been in the Hospital, but is home now. Contact him and let him know you are thinking of him and wishing him the best. It was reported that Larry Johnson has been in the Hospital in Florida with back trouble.

Greet each other warmly in the Lord and may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. May God's love and the Holy Spirit's friendship be yours.

Fraternally,
Mel Simmons, Commander

RECORDER'S NOTES

This has been a fine year in Monroe Commandery, but a difficult one for me due to my eye problems. I would like to thank all the members who have been so understanding and patient, and I thank each one who has helped to make my burden a little easier to bear. I am grateful to our Eminent Commander for his patience and friendship. I especially wish to thank Em. Sir Knight Ward R. Turner who has been a fine friend, and my "righthand" man during this year.

Fraternally,
Walter G. Fotch
Recorder & Editor

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2nd Thursday



It was nice to learn that two of our brothers who were on the sick list are now out and about. Past Commander Gordon Struck attended our April meeting and Brother Roger Scott is able to be out again. Past Commander "Bud" Meech is scheduled for surgery at about the time you receive this news. We wish him the best.

Commander Bob Emmons will be attending the State Convention on May 6th, 7th and 8th. Be sure that you attend the May meeting to be held on Wednesday the 12th at East Rochester Lodge. He'll have much to tell us.

Wor. Bro. Elbert Seigfried, who now resides in Seneca Falls, and who was our Chaplain for so many years, sent a cheery note with his dues. It is nice to know that he seemingly is enjoying good health.

Because so many of our white jackets are getting old and yellow, and are now expensive to replace, we are looking into the purchase of white shirts. commander Bob Emmons will have more about these when he returns from the convention.

Remember, our next Post meeting will be on Wednesday, the 12th at East Rochester Lodge. Our June meeting will be held at Bob Emmons house at 14 Crest Rd., East Rochester. This will be on the 10th. Put both dates on your calendar.

Don't forget Memorial Day, May 31st. Although we will not be in any parades, we should take time out to remember those veterans who have gone before us.

BICENTENNIAL NOTE
 There are two records of forts built during the war of 1812-15 by Masons, one near Brooklyn named Fort Masonic (1812) and the other at Fox Point, Rhode Island, named Fort Hiram (1814).

GOOD SECRETARY IS KEYSTONE OF MASONIC LODGE

In addition to the regular routine work of observing all things proper to be written, receiving all monies due the Lodge, turning them over to the treasurer, taking his receipt therefor, the Secretary of a Masonic Lodge is the key man in the operation of that body.

The Master serves for a year, but has little time in which to acquaint himself with the business of the Craft, set the Craft at work and give them proper instruction, so it is the Secretary, whose knowledge of the Lodge, its members, the community and all the interplay of activity in every phase, that makes him so important.

Certainly, he should know about the records, the finances and the routine work of the Lodge, the ceremonies and public relations of the Lodge, and above all, the personal relationships which make the activity of the Lodge so very important.

Personal relations are the essence of Freemasonry. Without an adequate understanding of the people who make up the Lodge, their likes and dislikes, and their ability to perform the functions of the Lodge, it would be impossible to carry on.

The Secretary is the go-between in keeping the members of the Lodge informed about what's happening. He coordinates every action, at the request of the Master, and keeps a finger on every part of the vast network of action that can either make the Lodge vital, helpful and very much a part of the community, or a lone island of isolation which has no good reason for existence. The Secretary is the keystone of the Masonic Lodge and as such, owes it to himself, his Lodge and his brethren, to be very sure that all he does is progressive.

The Freemason (Missouri)

ASTRONOMY & MASONRY

By Richard F. Williams, 32°

Richard F. Williams, 32°, a native of Syracuse, N.Y., is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers and an employee of the State of New York. He finds the study of Astronomy a stimulating avocation, assisted in writing the Astronomy Merit Badge book for the Boy Scouts of America, and attended the International Conference of Geodesy and Planetary Mechanics in 1969, sponsored by the National Science Foundation at M.I.T. in Cambridge, Mass. He is a member of both Scottish and York Rite, has had papers published in noted journals, and is a former tenor soloist of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, in Syracuse.

Masons long have been taught to be lovers of the liberal arts and sciences, which include astronomy. The covering of a Lodge is the starry-decked heaven and many Ancient Craft Lodges depict some of the stars and constellations in their various appointments.

Sirius, the brightest star of the heavens, dominates the night sky. It is southeast of the constellation of Orion and is immediately noticeable to most observers for its sparkling white brilliance. The ancients often referred to it as the "Blazing Star" and its rising marked the overflow of the Nile River in Egypt.

In winter the small group known as the Pleiades are directly overhead. Lodge appointments formerly included these seven stars (often termed six as one is hidden at times) and they are referred to in the Bible. (Amos 5:8—"Seek Him that maketh the seven stars (Pleiades) and Orion, and turneth the show of death into the morning.")

As Sirius dominates the southern winter sky, in the same manner it dominated the East in the Lodge.

IMPORTANT TASK

We should also remember that Freemasonry originally was not designed to confer degrees. This function was incidental to its main objective, which was to enable men to meet together in friendship and brotherly love and not be troubled by the world around them. This still should be the main objective of every Masonic leader and his most important task should be the building of a chain of friendship which will make of his brethren a temple of living stones, among whom no contention should ever exist. Only the individual Mason can make this come to pass but he must have an inspired leadership in order to do so. — (Virginia Masonic World)

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