



R.W. Kenneth L. Myers
**District Deputy
 Grand Master**
 For The...
**Second Monroe
 District**

One of the most recent community service projects emerging from our meetings is the financing of trips home for patients of Monroe Community Hospital. It was discovered that approximately forty patients of the hospital would be able to spend Christmas Day at home if the transportation costs could be arranged. The costs are approximately \$60 per person for transportation home and back to the hospital and is not covered in the budget of the hospital. Masons and Masonic bodies are already answering the call to help these poor unfortunates. In addition to the tremendous opportunity for community service, it certainly will NOT hurt our image!

I would also like to bring to your attention to the revitalization of the DeMolay Chapter. It appears to be getting off to a good start and is now ready to accept candidates between the ages of 13 and 21. Further information will be found elsewhere in this paper.

Some time ago it was brought to my attention that many members think of the ritual as troublesome to learn, out of date as far as form and wording, etc. This somewhat surprised me. I have always thought of the ritual as a work of art. It is loaded with unique phrases and word arrangements. Over the years I have been pleasantly surprised when I would be listening to a public speaker and realize that he must be a Brother because of some of his phraseology. To me, accuracy is also important because the whole meaning can be altered by changing or omitting a few simple words. After thirty-three years there are parts of the ritual, especially the Middle Chamber Lecture, that still thrill me when properly done. I hope that the ritual contests will help promote this feeling.

As most of you know by now, we Grand Lodge officers have been attending meetings in both Districts whenever possible. It makes for a full calendar but it is really an invigorating opportunity to visit with brethren we would not normally meet. It is also meant to show that ALL of us are ready and willing to be of service in either District.

It is my sincere wish that you all have HAPPY HOLIDAYS! I do not like Winter but this is such a festive time of year!

Fraternally,



Steward
 R.W. Robert M. Dibble

Today as I write this, I have just returned from attending the "Back to Basics" workshop, presented by the Grand Lodge Committee on Lodge Service. This workshop presentation was one of the best I have seen in a long time. All of the speakers should be commended for a job well done. I would definitely recommend that if this program is presented again, all Brothers should make every effort to attend. The very able speakers were: Ted Honea on "Research Techniques", Dick Eades on "Masonic Sources and Resources", Jim Rice on "Writing the First Paper" and Grant Romer on "Presenting an Oral Program". Programs of this type contribute greatly to our Masonic education.

I would again remind all of you that this is the time of year that we should all get out and visit our Brothers

who are shut-ins. Everyone knows that they look forward to these visits. Along the same line, I will again mention the upcoming bus trip to the Masonic Home on December 17th with R.W. Harry Kennedy. I think that there may still be room for more of you Brothers who would like to go. Give Harry a call at 586-1873. Back to Masonic education, The Masonic Orientation Seminar on November 29th to be held in Doric Hall at the Masonic Temple as has been mentioned, is for all new and not so new Masons, and it would please us to see a large turnout to compliment the speakers. I am sorry to say that it became necessary to cancel the Officers Training Seminar on December 3rd because of a conflict. This Seminar will be rescheduled after the first of the year. Remember we Grand Lodge Officers are here to help in any way we can, so give us a call when you would like our help. Two hours and we will finish the night by 9:00 P.M.

The greeting party for the new Jr. Wardens is scheduled for December 10, at Webster Temple. More information can be obtained from your Lodge present Jr. Warden or you can call Bob Dibble who is advisor of the group for more information.

I hope you all have a good Thanksgiving, and remember if you need help and any of the Grand Lodge Officers can assist you, don't hesitate to call.

**LET'S GO
 VISITING**



**Grand Director
 of Ceremonies**
 R.W. William A. Baldwin


**Greeting Party
 For Jr. Wardens
 December 10th**

The Holiday season is just around the corner. Brothers, it should be our first priority to remember the ones of our craft that are not able to get out to the meetings or attend any of the other social functions. Each Lodge should take the time to pay a visit or at least call these brothers. No matter how large the number, if the Lodge works together the task would take no time at all. It is a great feeling to talk to people who's heart are still with the craft but are unable to attend. Some of the stories you hear and questions asked makes the day one that will stay in your mind for a long time.

The year is coming to a fast end. It won't be long before election and installation of the new Master and the other officers of the Lodges. To the Past Master who may have the privilege of the sidelines, enjoy it, but stay an active part of the Lodge. Your knowledge and wisdom will help support the new officers throughout the year.

The Grand Lecturers Convention and the Western Region Seminar are over. They were both well attended by the Lodges in the Districts. The Lodges that took part in the Grand Lecturers Convention did a fine job. The Master and brothers should be commended on the fine work they performed.

The Bureau of Masonic Education is sponsoring a Masonic Orientation Program. It is scheduled for Tuesday, November 29, at 7:00 P.M. It is a set of brief mini-lectures open to all Masons who have a desire to learn. Masters; we encourage you to bring any new brother, even if they have not completed their degrees. The program will be held to



R.W. David C. Clarke
**District Deputy
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How Great The Challenge?

The common phrase "to challenge" must have been used over and over again in conversation with your colleagues or work supervisors. Have you ever stopped and thought just how many varied meanings this phrase really has? Well, I have! I have found it to be a mind-boggling phrase that provokes many interesting discussions. This month's article is designed to provoke conversation among brothers and to present you with a challenge.

For the purpose of this challenge, let's use only one of the many variations - to challenge is to dare, to defy the odds, to try the impossible. Now that a mind set has been formed try and list the thirteen greatest challenges to face man throughout history. I did and here are my selections: (challenges have been listed by category to help identify the achievement gained from the challenge and to provoke controversy)

Medicine

- 1) Jonas Salk's challenge to discover a vaccine to prevent the dreaded poliomyelitis for short, "polio";
- 2) Dr. Adrian Krantowitz desire to challenge the heart and design a device known as the "pacemaker" to create the normal heart impulse;

Athletics

- 3) Roger Bannister, an English distance runner, attempts to become the first sub 4 minute miler in history;
- 4) Jackie Robinson's struggle to earn a living playing major league baseball and break the color barrier;

Engineering

- 5) The French engineer Ferdinand de Lesseps' feats in engineering through all the problems associated with digging the Suez Canal;
- 6) Wilbur and Orville Wright attempts to be first in sustained flight at Kitty Hawk;

Space

- 7) Neil Armstrong's long years of training to become the first man to take "the first step for mankind" on the moon;
- 8) The Russian cosmonaut Major Yuri Gagarin's desire to pave the way to be first into space and leave the earth's environment;

Military

- 9) General Vasili Churkov of the Russian Army staff, brilliant defense of Stalingrad against the massed German armies of the Third Reich;
- 10) The defeat and downfall of Emperor Napoleon Bonaparte the I victorious armies by the Duke of Wellington at the Battle of Waterloo;

General

- 11) The German printer Guttenberg overcoming problems in developing a printing press that would save countless hours of hand copying;
- 12) Harry Truman bid to be elected President when the media has already elected by print Thomas E. Dewey in the 1948 elections.

I am sure that I have already provoked many mind arguments with my selections. You must agree that all the aforementioned were great challenges, but you are ready to prove to me that you have selected different examples of far greater accomplishments. So be it, but I am sure that you will agree with me that there is no greater challenge than to continue to improve Masonry's image! You already know what has been said over and over again about the reasons for our craft's flickering light in the world. There really is no need to list them again. It is easy for us to say I can't do anything about it anyway and just sit back and grow wider in the bottom half of the torso! We can take the challenge and do something about it!

Start by -

- 1) attending Lodge and support our Masters and brothers who are responding to the challenge;
- 2) not grumbling about the craft and it's problems, but look for ways to improve its image like "nudging" your friends with a petition who you know will make good Masons;
- 3) volunteering your time and effort to your Lodge for its projects in the community. Insist that your Lodge plan a project and carry it through to its completion. Make suggestions, use your own expertise for its success.
- 4) Become active and proficient in the work that you do. Do it in Grand style!
- 5) Picking up the gauntlet and be an upright Mason - show the World that we are alive and well!
- 6) "Joining together in a determined effort to make a strong, healthy and positively tolerant Fraternity with which others will want to be associated!" (Grand Master's Message of October 1988)

How great is the challenge? Does the thirteenth challenge have your name emblazoned upon it?

Fraternally,

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 Brotherhood
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Travels With

R.W. Ronald D. Mertens

Junior Grand Warden



Let me begin this month's column with an addendum to last month's article. When Barbara and I were at West Point on September 24, we were privileged to have lunch in the Hollender Athletic Center. This building houses the basketball and hockey facilities as well as several other athletic programs. The facility was formally dedicated the week after our visit. Those of you familiar with the 1950's and 1960's of the Rochester area, will remember that Don Hollender was a graduate of Aquinas Institute, where he played several sports, and then went on to star in football at West Point. The former Aquinas Stadium was re-named Hollender Stadium in his memory. Don Hollender was killed in action in Vietnam, but it is comfortable to know that his name will live for generations at West Point. The month of October was probably the busiest and most hectic of my life. However, it was also the most enjoyable, educational and filled with many lasting memories and experiences. It all began on Tuesday, October 4, when R:W: Larry Geith, R:W: Bill Zufall and I traveled to Waymart Lodge No. 542, Waymart, PA, for the conferral of a third degree. This is the Lodge that Barbara's uncle and his six sons belong to. The six boys all took their third degree on the same day in 1982, and four of them now serve as Master, Senior Warden, Junior Warden and Junior Deacon. We experienced an excellent evening of ritual, friendship and brotherhood. The ritual and degree conferral were quite different from what we are accustomed to seeing. The following morning we drove to Long Island, specifically the College Point area in Queens, for the Apron Presentation to R:W: Diedrich Schmidt, Deputy Grand Marshal, by Pythagoras Lodge No. 86 of the Ninth Manhattan District. We then drove home, arriving at 5 A.M. Thursday morning. I am truly indebted to these two friends and brothers for accompanying me on this journey. Friday, October 7 found Barbara and me in Albany for the Grand Master's Ball at the Empire Plaza Convention Center. We had a marvelous evening and it was great to see many others from the Monroe Districts-R:W: Dave and Gail Clarke, R:W: Bill and Sharon Baldwin, R:W: Bob and Esther Dibble, R:W: Arnie and Dottie Frear, R:E: Horace and Hazel Denton and W: Steve Whittaker. The Hudson-Champlain Region Leadership Seminar was held on Saturday the 8th, during which time Barbara visited some clothing stores in Albany, and on Saturday night we attended the 7th Annual Awards Night of Ancient Temple Lodge No.

14, at which time the Lodge gave out checks totaling \$26,000 to various Masonic and non-Masonic charities. Monday evening of October 10 and part of the day October 11 found Barbara and me in Niagara Falls for the Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. It was my pleasure and privilege to represent our Grand Master and Grand Lodge at this gathering, and it is a memory I shall long cherish. We made many new friends as well as meeting several others whom we had not seen for some time. On Wednesday, October 12, I attended the Apron Presentation for the Junior Grand Deacon, R:W: Gary Henningsen, at Aurora Grata-Day Star Lodge No. 756 in the Third Kings, District-that's Brooklyn to us upstaters! It was a very memorable evening and very moving to see Gary's three sons, each a Lodge officer, present him with the jewel of his office. Friday, October 14, W: Steve Whittaker traveled with me to Utica for the Annual Meeting of the DeMolay Foundation and the Apron Presentation for the Senior Grand Warden, R:W: Sheldon K. Blank. We had an enjoyable evening and the Monroe Districts were again well represented with the presence of W: Gary Burke, R:W: James Gisleon, W: Ron and Elaine Berite, R:E: Horace Denton, R:W: Hal and Kay Miller, R:W: Ken Myers, R:W: David Clarke, R:W: Bob Dibble and R:W: Bill Baldwin. The Mid-State Seminar was held the next day at the Masonic Home after which I made a fast trip home to spend some time with my family. The next morning R:W: Bob Dibble and I traveled to Warrensburg, NY for the re-dedication of the Warrensburg Lodge No. 425 Masonic Temple. You may recall that Warrensburg Lodge was destroyed by fire in January, 1987 but through the hard work of the members of the Lodge, as well as assistance from other Lodges and individuals throughout the State, a new building has been erected. Over 250 were in attendance for the ceremony on the 16th, and I thank R:W: Dibble for being with me and making a long trip more enjoyable. On Tuesday, October 18, R:W: Maurice Solomon and I attended Gasport Lodge No. 787 for the visit of Niagara Lodge No. 2, G.R.C. We had an enjoyable evening of fellowship and friendship once we learned that Gasport Lodge does not meet in Gasport but rather in Johnson Creek at the Hartland Masonic Temple which actually has an address in Middleport! Somehow we did get there and back. On Saturday, October 22, Barbara and I were the guests of the 1963 Masters of the Steuben District on the occasion of their

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twenty-fifth anniversary. We had an enjoyable evening at the Tally-Ho Restaurant in Kanona. It was also very fitting for us to be with them because our 25th Anniversary was just three days earlier. We thank R:W: Dan Troy, DDGM, for his hospitality. Monday, October 24 found me back in the Ninth Manhattan for the Apron Presentation to R:W: Gerd Walter, Deputy Grand Standard Bearer, by Schiller Lodge No. 304. I must admit this was the first time I attended a Lodge where the ritual was done in German. Later the same week, on Thursday the 27th, W: Tom Heller, DSA, traveled with me to St. George's Lodge No. 6 in Schenectady for the Apron Presentation to R:W: Michael Brockbank, Grand Standard Bearer. The officers of St. George's Lodge all dress in white tie and tails and meet in one of the most impressive Lodge rooms I have ever seen. A special thanks to W: Tom Heller for being with me. The month of October finished on a low and high note. The Western Region Leadership Seminar in Buffalo on the 29th was well attended, although not particularly by the Monroe Districts. Many officers missed an opportunity for needed training and information. Following the seminar R:W: Bob Dibble and I attended the 125th Anniversary celebration of Akron Lodge No. 527 and then chauffeured seven members of the Grand Line to Rochester so they could be with us for the Inter-Faith Service and Breakfast on the 30th. This event was a very successful ending to a very wonderful month. In addition to all these travels I did find time for activities in the Monroe Districts too-such as the Masonic Service Bureau, High Twelve Club, a visit to Valley Lodge no. 109, the Scottish Rite Ladies Night, the O.E.S. District banquet, my own Lodge and

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

Our 2nd Degree on Oct. 17 went very well. The Caldren put on a delicious beef stroganoff dinner while Brother Chris Starr played his guitar and sang for our listening pleasure. Chris has always been an eager volunteer to entertain at any occasion. We are very fortunate to have such talent in our Lodge. S.W. Rich Gundry performed his usual superb job in the East and was supported by the many Brothers of the Lodge, who also did an excellent job. Bro. Ken Duttlinger gave the charge for the first time and it was great. Ken will also be representing John A. Robertson in the State wide ritual contest which will be getting underway soon. Let's all give Ken our support and encouragement to go the distance.

Bro. Norm Gauch, Chairman of the Brotherhood Fund is requesting your prompt response in getting those donations to him. To date fifteen Brothers have contributed. Norm has always been a excellent supporter and fine Chairman of this committee. Let's all get behind him and make this year the best ever for our Lodge, and be the first with 100% participation.

At our Nov. 7, meeting, two 50 year of Masonry Awards were presented. One to Bro. to Maurice Clark by R.W. Ken Myers, District Deputy Grand Master of the Second Monroe District. I was very proud to be part of that memorable occasion. And many thanks to R:W: Ken Myers for taking the time from his busy schedule to be a part of the ceremony. The second 50 year award was presented Saturday to Phillip Gordon who is in St. John's Nursing Home. We also had a cruise ship presentation by Ralph Parmalee, owner of All Season Travel. Brother Ralph gave us insight as to what goes on behind the scenes that make up a successful cruise vacation.

Phil & Maurice were not the only ones that had a 50 year celebration. W. Ed Walker and R.W. Conrad O. May (a resident of Clearwater, FL) celebrated their 50th High School Reunion Wed. at West High School. Out of 368 in the class, 105 graduates plus their wives attended.

Our annual meeting will be the Grand Lecturers Convention where the work was done exceptionally well by all involved. The month of November will be less hectic and shall find me at home more often, as you shall read in next month's column.

be held on Dec. 19th, a summons letter will be sent out by our Secretary, W. Ed Walker.

Under sickness and distress, Bro. George Pasch Sr. passed away October 31st. He will be sorely missed by his family and fraternity Brothers. A friend of our Lodge, George Hepworth, also passed away in October and a Masonic service was given with R.W. Paul Robertson presenting the service. Bro. Al Cranston is home recuperating after a bout with hepatitis, Bro. Willis Seville is home but remains ill and very weak, Bro. John Lont has been having a series of problems and will require knee surgery and Bro. George Steeles wife, Lyla, is in the hospital. I encourage all our members to send their blessings and get well cards.

The remainder of the year will be busy for everyone and it is nice to see so many Brothers turn out for our meeting. It's always good to see Bro. Newell Farris, who drives in from Honeoye Falls every 1st and 3rd Monday. He will be 90 years young on December 13th.

A special thank you to Bro. Ed Freda of Northfield Lodge for providing the organ music at our last meeting.

Happy Birthday wishes to the December Brothers

- Francis X. Montbach
- James N. Gilzow
- James J. Passarella
- John H. Auer Jr.
- Gordon W. Watts
- Clifford N. Hayner
- Newell A. Ferris (90 yrs)
- Richard G. Gundry
- Donald F. Kohler
- Kenneth Pierce
- Edwin J. Smith
- Kenneth W. Thomason
- Elwin A. Smith
- Fraternally,
- W: Frank D. Newman
- Master

Trestleboard December 5 Will be our 3rd Degree Presentation

December 19 Annual Meeting Election of Officers

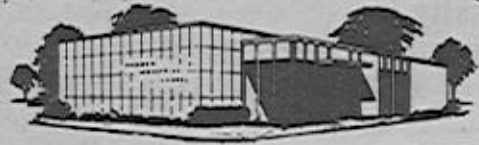
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VALLEY LODGE

No. 109

1st and 3rd Mondays

Dear Brothers,
It is hard to believe that my year as Master is almost finished. It has been a learning experience to say the least. I want to thank those few Faithful Brothers that have made it to most of the Lodge Meetings. I truly appreciate the support you have given me this year.

I want to take this opportunity to Thank all of the Brothers that worked on the second degree. It was beautifully done. I would like to give an EXTRA TIP OF MY HAT to R.W. Gerald Glasser for the excellent job he did on the Middle Chamber Lecture. It was a job to have him as a participant. By the time your December issue of the Monroe Masonic News reaches you, we may have raised our new Brother with the help of the Shrine Degree Team. If you receive this on time, why not JOIN US AS TRUE MASONS SHOULD TO SHOW HIM YOUR SUPPORT!!!

We had a good turn out for the Dinner Theatre at the Deerfield Country Club. We found out "Who Murdered Marcia". Many Thanks to the team of Belt and Belt, (Howard and Tom) for running this activity for us. A good time was had by all. Our Annual Holiday Party was on November 21st this year. We honored our Ladies, as they were our Guests. Entertainment for them by State Trooper William J. Bonanni and R.J., of the K9 Unit. It was very informative and enjoyable. We were also privileged to have our annual visit from Santa. This is the first time we had

our Party as a Bi-Lodge event, it was good to have John A. Robertson Lodge join us. We enjoyed a delightful Roast Beef Dinner provided by the Lalla Rookh Caldron.

If you were unable to join us for the Holiday Party you are unaware of the Special Honor bestowed on one of our Brothers. Watch the January Issue to see who we Honored. Also on December 1, 1988, Br. Richard DeCrocce received one of the Annual Symbolic Awards from the Rochester Scottish Rite. This is given to Brothers who have not been Masters, but have aided the Fraternity throughout all phases of Masonry.

As we enter the Holiday Season, I would like to take time to say that you are all in our Thoughts, Prayers, and Hearts during these special days. I would like to wish you a Happy Chanukah, Merry Christmas, and a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous 1989.

Fraternally,
W: Gary T. Caswell

Master
Trestleboard
December 5
Dinner, reservations,
call Jr. Warden, Court
Young by 12/1/88 at
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6:30 PM
Third Degree, by
Shrine Degree Team.
COME AND SUPPORT
OUR BROTHER AS HE
IS RAISED

7:30 PM
December 19
Dinner, reservations,
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6:30 PM
Elections and
Installation of
the 1989 Line. COME
AND SEE YOUR 1989
LINE
7:30 PM

PENFIELD UNION LODGE

No. 154

1st and 3rd Tuesdays

Brotherhood Contributions Running Slow

Brethren:

An excellent dinner at the Manhattan Restaurant preceded our meeting on Nov. 1, 1988-Thanks due R:W: Wayne Slack.

Our Official Visit will be December 6, 1988 and dinner at the Manhattan will precede the meeting-dinner will be at 6:00 p.m., let's all meet there! Please try to attend this meeting, let's show what Penfield can do.

Attendance continues to

be our major problem-come to Lodge and bring a Brother.

Thanks are due Wor. Horn Vane and Wor. Don Calkins for the repairing of the Lodge roof-no more leaks?

We all hope R:W: Ralph Kellogg is enjoying the Florida sun, wear a hat Ralph. Brother Rich Pohland is working overtime on obtaining his MBA at the U of R-hurry Rich, we need you back in the fold. We're all glad to have R:W: Bruce Brainerd back from his tour of the southwest. We all wish Wor. George Schiltz a speedy recovery and yes do we miss you!!

The contribution to the Brotherhood are running late, let's all donate so the fine work can continue.

Remember, Lodge meetings on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, Lodge opens at 7:30 p.m.-come, participate and enjoy the fellowship.

Fraternally,
Al Clark

Trestleboard
Dec 6
Official Visit
Dec 20
Election of Officers

Jan 3
Installation

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ANCIENT CRAFT LODGE NO. 943



1st and 3rd Wednesdays

Brethren-

My swan song has arrived. When I became Master of our Lodge 2 years ago it looked like I was going to be the final Master of Ancient Craft. I had made three goals for myself and the Lodge. First, that I would not have the dishonorable glory of being the last Master, 2nd-to get us relocated in order to have a chance at rebuilding ourselves and 3rd-to create a harmony that would enable us to mesh as a team and offer something to future brethren. This was accomplished by eliminating policies and cliques in the Lodge and by instituting one of our most important Masonic rituals that all Mason- regardless of their title meet on the level. By doing this every Brother has a full working knowledge of what is happening and going to happen considering the future of our Lodge. In Masonry there is No room for behind the scenes activity where only one or two of the Brothers know what is going on. We must act as one and when this is done Freemasonry will flourish as it is in our Lodge.

My first goal has been accomplished. I can proudly state that there will be many more installed Masters of Ancient Craft #943.

My second goal is well on its way towards fulfillment. In my first year as Master we raised 1 new Brother. After moving, things began to snowball. We raised 5 new Brothers and acquired 3 by dual membership in the Spring. In June we ran our annual Brother bring a friend night to attract new members.

Out of that program we are now in the process of conferring degrees on seven new Brothers. But, my Brethren, it doesn't end there-we already have the start of a Spring class for 1989. We cannot sit on our heels-we must keep on our course of total and active participation of rebuilding Masonry to the glory and esteem of old.

My third goal is also on its way towards fulfillment. However, this goal can never be attained by any Master alone. This goal is an ongoing goal that must be carried out year after year. I have full confidence in the Brothers working their way to Master, that this goal is extremely close to their hearts as it has been to mine.

I wish to thank everyone for their loyalty

NORTHFIELD LODGE No. 426

1st and 3rd Thursdays

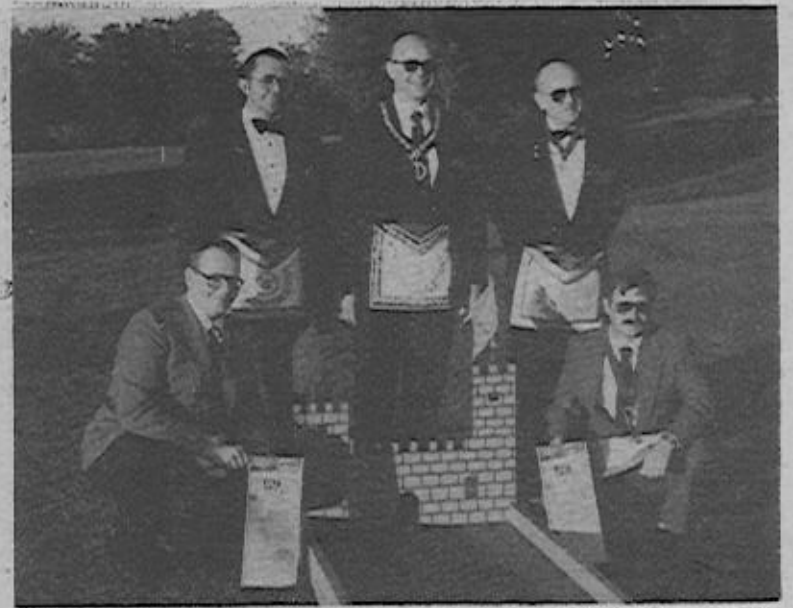
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On Oct. 25, 1988 our Br. Burr W. Mantle left our earthly family at the age of 82 years. A Masonic service was held for him in the Village of Victor along with many members of Milnor Lodge #139.

Our Junior Warden Protém, W. Robert Ledsome and the members of his degree team did an excellent presentation of the 2nd Degree. Nov. 3rd meeting. Everyone enjoyed

Golf Course Dedicated



At The Dedication Of The Miniature Golf Course At The Convalescent Hospital, Scottsville NY, Sept. 28, 1988

Back Row: Left to Right R.W. Bill Baldwin, R.W. Ron Mertens, R.W. Dave Clarke

Front Row: Left to Right W. Robert S. Lauth, Bro. Paul Rogers

and support. Without this help nothing could have been accomplished. Our team effort has worked miracles.

A special thanks to R.W. Leon Perkins-truly one of the best advisors and friends to have listened to my ideas and problems over the last 2 years. He is a cornerstone of my Mastership that I could not have survived without. There are many others that could be listed here-but other Lodges must have room for their articles. So to everyone-thank you for your total support and loyalty and may it be transferred to every Master following me.

We have begun our annual community service projects with the construction of the miniature golf course at Convalescent Hospital In Scottsville. Brother Art Mason-J.W.-is now looking into next year's project.

Another worthwhile project is the Masonic Leadership Course. At the present time we have 6 Brothers that have either completed it or are working on it. I have also established a supplement fund in our budget to help defray the cost of the course if a Brother is unable to pay for it in full. I know of no other Lodge that does this and I urge all Lodges to consider doing this to insure that as many Brethren as possible take this course.

The 1st Monroe Masonic Districts Annual Euchre Tournament was held on Oct. 28th, 1988. With a fourth place finish by Bro. Ray Lauth and myself along with 1st place being taken by Webster Lodge, the 1st Monroe District won the tournament. At the

Interfaith breakfast on Oct. 30th, 1988, R.W. Ken Meyers, 2nd Monroe DDGM presented the trophy to our own R.W. Dave Clark, 1st Monroe DDGM.

Coming this month are five important dates. First on Dec. 1st-Bro. Ray Lauth will receive the Scottish Rite Symbolic Award in Cathedral Hall at 8 p.m. Lets have a good turnout. On Dec. 2nd we'll have our Annual Past Masters Dinner at the Sea Breeze Inn at 7 p.m. On Dec. 7th-it'll be our Annual Election of Officers preceded by a dinner. On December 21st we will put on the 3rd Degree assisted by the Past Masters of Charlotte-Corithian 1088. We will have a dinner. On December 29th will be the Annual Investiture Service preceded by a dinner.

In summation, I wish to thank once again everyone that has made my tenure as Master a tremendous success. Without the cooperation and teamwork given to me-we still would be treading water-may every other Masonic Lodge learn from our endeavors-starting with the January Newsletter-Sr. Warden Richard Friedman-Master/Elect will be submitting future article. Also- even though I'm done as Master-don't think that you'll see me disappear. I intend to remain just as active as now.

Fraternally,
W.M. Robert S. Lauth

Trestleboard
Dec 7
Annual Election of Officers/Dinner

Dec 21
3rd Degree/Dinner

the dinner face furnished by: Linda Zahn and company. We were again honored by the presence of D.D.G.M. R:W: David C. Clarke, 1st Monroe District and the Grand Director of Ceremonies R:W: William A. Baldwin.

The holiday season is upon us and the year is ending in a flurry of activity. Our 3rd Degree on Dec. 1 begins the final month with the Master in the East. The annual Christmas Party is to be held on Sat. Dec. 10 when members of the Lodge will distribute Poinsettias to the Lodge widows. The Fellowship Club will be in charge of this party. On Dec. 15 the Annual Meeting will be held. The letters of summons along with membership dues have been

mailed. All able members should attend to help select their officers of choice.

Fraternally,
John Williams
Master

Trestleboard

December 1
3rd Degree
7:30
Dinner
6:30

December 10
Christmas Party
8:00

December 15
Annual Meeting
7:30

December 17
Utica Trip

HENRIETTA LODGE
No. 526
1863 1988
2nd and 4th Tuesdays

We Had A Very Successful Year So Many People Contributed In No Small Way

As this is my last article as Master of Henrietta Lodge, I would like to thank all my officers and fellow Lodge Brothers who have aided and assisted me throughout the year. We have had a very successful year as a Lodge and I am proud of our accomplishments. Needless to say, not all my goals were fulfilled and there were many tasks left undone. Nevertheless, I am happy with the results and I hope that you also consider it a good year as you, the members, are the yardstick by which the Master is measured. I also wish to thank Alta Doty and all the members of Henrietta Chapter #475 of the Order of the Eastern Star for all their support especially the serving of those delicious corned beef dinners prior to a couple of our meetings.

A Special "Thank You" goes out to Roger McCaughey for AARP "Safe Driver Training Sessions" which were conducted at the Temple this year. Roger conducted 6 classes through the Spring and Summer with 126 attendees. Masons comprised 10% of this total. Although this percentage was lower than expected, there was some Masonic

representation and we sincerely hope the percentage will be higher next year. Roger's better half, Rose, also deserves some special recognition for her participation and help on the Holiday Season Greeting in front of the Temple. Rose's busy schedule coupled with the lateness of the request by the Fellowcraft Club caused her some anxious moments. The results are outstanding and it reflects her artistic professionalism. Thanks a whole bunch Rose, I wish it could be more.

It is my sad duty to inform you that Brother William R. Simpson was called to that celestial Lodge above on October 29, 1988. Although Bill had demitted from the Lodge just a year or so because of health reasons, he was still considered a Brother by many of the membership. Full Masonic rites were extended to his family for which they were very appreciative. They were most impressed with the new Grand Lodge Funeral Service which is indeed a very beautiful ceremony. We all wish the best to Brother Bill's family and may God be with them in their time of sorrow.

Our Ladies Night held on November 5th at the Green Hills Country Club in Mendon was once again a huge success. The fellowship between Honeoye Falls Union Star Lodge #320, and Lima's Union Lodge #45, was for the third year in a row very enjoyable. All in attendance were well fed, happy with the music, and the dancing was great to the sounds of "Loose Change". Unfortunately Avon Lodge did not join with us this year as they did last year. It

was their loss as the remainder of us had a "G-R-E-A-T" time.

A Second Degree was held on November 8th at Henrietta. Two candidates were present, both from Fairport Lodge #476. The degree was performed to the usual great standards of the Lodge and the new Fellowcraft were very favorably impressed. A special "Thank You" goes out to Mike Zona of Northfield Lodge #426 for the excellent work in the Middle Chamber Lecture and to W: Bob Ledson, also from Northfield Lodge, for his participation for part of the Masters responsibility. Also thank you to the other members of the degree team for their fine work. The degree was preceded by a wonderful "corned beef" dinner served by the Henrietta Chapter #476 of the O.E.S. Thanks to the STAR for their putting on such a delicious meal.

Congratulations to those Brothers of Henrietta Lodge who celebrate their natural Birthday during the month of DECEMBER: This includes Brothers: Richard A. Ash; Charles K. Burgess; Carl L. French; William K. Goss; Jack M. Neu; Norman E. Hurwitz; and Edward L. Shields. Belated Birthday Congratulations goes out to Br. John Bell whose Birthday was October 1. My apologies John for the oversight but we hope you had a "HAPPY BIRTHDAY" and many many more.

Congratulations also to those of you who also celebrate your Masonic Birthday, the date of your raising, for the month of DECEMBER. This includes Brothers: Harry M. Newton; Allen S. Pixley; and Harry J. Holcombe.

The Henrietta Fellowcraft Club sponsored a Ham Dinner on November 19th as one of its fund raising activities. The dinner was well attended and as per usual, all diners left with a full stomach and a feeling of a "good buy" for their money. Thanks to all those who participated with the dinner, it takes cooperation among the brothers to complete such a task and you did good!

Sunday morning November 27, saw a nice contingency of Henrietta Lodge Brothers and their spouses attend the Two M's Restaurant on Jefferson Road prior to their attending the Church Services at Christ View United Methodist Church on Pinnacle Road. This has been an Annual event for the past several years and I hope it will continue. Unfortunately I was not able to attend because of being out of State with my family in Pennsylvania. We all hope to achieve better attendance by our Brothers for this event but, for those who did attend the pilgrimage and service was inspiring.

November 28, it was my pleasure to participate in the Third Degree conferred by Fairport Lodge #476. It was most rewarding to me to raise a good friend and Brother to the sublime degree of Master Mason. Thank you Dave Mawhiney for the privilege of this opportunity to raise a friend.

W: Harold Gruschow and I attended Cromwell Lodge #572 located in Orbisonia, Pennsylvania on November 29th. This was indeed a pleasure for me as this was my Fathers' Lodge where he, John Milsom Diehl, presided as Master in 1949. It was a double pleasure for me as a Master to visit and present some of my

father's Masonic possessions to the Lodge to be deposited in the archives in remembrance of him. My Masonic, as well as blood Brothers, Charles M. Diehl of Round Hill Lodge #533 (located in Endicott, N.Y.) and Ned W. Diehl of Perseverance Lodge #21 (located in Harrisburg, PA) joined with me to present a small donation to Cromwell My Brothers, this has been a year of Public Awareness for Henrietta Lodge and we would like to continue with a project to help the needy in the Henrietta area. I am making a final plea that each Brother who attends or visits our Lodge to bring a Donation of Food items or make a Money donation to purchase food for the Henrietta Food Cupboard. These items will be donated in time for the Food Cupboard to distribute during the Holiday Season ahead. Please bring your donations or send them to the Lodge and help once again to those less fortunate than us, especially our neighbors and friends in Henrietta.

Happy Holidays and Seasons Greetings to all of you from the Officers and members of Henrietta Lodge #526. Have a safe happy holiday and best wishes for a **HEALTHY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.** Make some new year resolutions to Attend Lodge more frequently, Bring a Brother to Lodge with you, More participations of the Crafts' activities, and Bring in more petitions to strengthen our fraternity membership. Lodge to purchase some needed item also in memory of our Father and Brother J. Milsom Diehl. I was so pleased to be able to do this during my term of Master at Henrietta Lodge. Thank you Henrietta Lodge for letting me serve as your Master and the opportune time to visit my Fathers Lodge.

A final "Thank You" goes out to Paul Rogers as Editor of the Monroe Masonic News for printing all my articles in their entirety. I thought it was important enough to write the articles and I am glad he thought they were also important enough to print.

Best Wishes are extended to the all 1989 Masters for a successful year especially Ron Morthorst my Senior Warden and right hand man this past year. It's a lot of

Tartan Square Club
Annual Ladies Night

Saturday, December 23, 1988

Golden Ponds Party House
Long Pond Rd.

Dinner-7:30 p.m.---Dancing 8:30-11:30 p.m.

Open Bar 6:30-7:30 ----- 8:30-11:30 p.m.

All Friends of The Tartan Club Are Cordially Invited

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Masonic Coordinating Committee
1988 - 1989

A few additional events have been added to this month's listing. Please submit any dates for events to R.W. John Dense at 288-2990.

- Dec. 1 Scottish Rite Awards Night
- Dec. 3 Interlodge Fellowship - Festival of Lights Trip Officers Training Seminar
- Dec. 9 Purple Club - Regular Meeting
- Dec. 10 Genesee York Rite College
- Dec. 17 Visit to the Masonic Home in Utica
- Dec. 20 Seneca Lodge Installation - Grand Master in Attendance
- Dec. 28 Joint Investiture
- Jan. 7, 1989 Monroe Districts Joint Installation
- Jan. 21, 1989 Cryptic Festival
- Jan. 28, 1989 Masters and Wardens - Genesee Falls
- Jan. 30, 1989-Feb. 11, 1989 2nd Annual Have A Heart Campaign
- Feb. 4, 1989 Masters and Wardens Winter Party
- Feb. 11, 1989 Countywide Cryptic Event
- Feb. 25, 1989 Widows Luncheon at Logan's
- Feb. 25, 1989 Masters and Wardens - Charlotte-Corinthian
- Mar. 16, 1989 Feast of the Paschal Lamb
- Mar. 18, 1989 Masters and Wardens - Ancient Craft
- Mar. 31, 1989 Purple Club - Regular Meeting
- Apr. 6, 7, 8, 1989 Rochester Consistory Reunion
- Apr. 15, 1989 Reception for Grand High Priest - Royal Arch Masons
- Apr. 22, 1989 Rochester Consistory Reunion Banquet
- Apr. 22, 1989 Masters and Wardens - Clio Met Square Club Ladies Night
- Apr. 29, 1989 125th Anniversary of Webster Lodge
- Apr. 30, 1989 200th Anniversary of George Washington's Inauguration
- May 2-3, 1989 Grand Lodge Convention - NYC
- May 13, 1989 Grand Ball
- May 20, 1989 Lodge # 797 - 100th Anniversary and 75th Anniversary of Visitation of St. Andrew's Lodge No. 16, GRC - Grand Master in Attendance, Woodcliff Lodge
- May 20, 1989 Masters and Wardens - Churchville
- June 9, 1989 Purple Club - Annual Meeting
- June 23-25, 1989 St. John's Weekend - Utica
- Sept. 20, 1989 George Peter Speaks at Ancient Craft Lodge
- Sept. 23, 1989 Masters and Wardens - Henrietta
- Oct. 28, 1989 Masters and Wardens - Seneca
- Nov. 18, 1989 Masters and Wardens - Webster

Fraternally,
R.W. John Dense
288-2990

GERMANIA LODGE
No. 722
2nd and 4th Wednesdays

David N. Foster
Nominated For
A.A.S.R. Award

I would like to thank all the brethren that took part in the Grand Lecturer's Convention on Wednesday, October 26, 1988. We had 7 men involved and everyone did a super job. Again congratulations to all and thank you for your efforts. In my last column I neglected to mention that we had our Official Visit on September 28, 1988. R.W. Kenneth L. Meyers District Deputy Grand Master of the 2nd Monroe District was accompanied by R.W. David C. Clarke District Deputy Grand Master of the 1st Monroe District, R.W. William A. Baldwin Grand Director of Ceremonies and R.W. Robert M. Dibble, Grand Steward. Their message was inspiring and all present enjoyed the meeting immensely. We also
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Work but rewarding and you all know, "You get out of it what ever you put into it", so work hard and long my Brothers.

Fraternally,
Ted L. Diehl
Master

Trestleboard
Dec 6
Fellowcraft Club

Dec 13
Annual Communication-Election & Installation of Officers

Dec 20
Fellowcraft Club

Jan 3
Fellowcraft Club

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**SENECA
LODGE
No. 797
3rd
Tuesday**



**Master's
Message**

Dear Brethren:

The 1988 Seneca Steak Roast was a great success with nearly seventy brothers, ladies and guests in attendance. We all enjoyed an evening of fellowship, bridge and euchre, along with excellent food. It was a pleasure to see a number of prospective Masons in attendance with the various brothers of Seneca. I would like to thank Wor. Bob Green and the other officers with their ladies who assisted him in making this traditional affair such an enjoyable one.

At the October meeting, it was Seneca's privilege to host Rt. Wor. David Clarke, D.D.G.M. of the 1st Monroe District and the other Grand Lodge staff officers for their annual visit. It is always a pleasure to have the Grand Master's representative in Lodge, to observe our work and obtain their direction for the coming year.

For those of you who were not at the October meeting, the motion for the Lodge to move from the Temple Civic Center to another facility at the end of the year was defeated by the members present. The officers and trustees of the Lodge will closely monitor the status of the T.C.C. and keep you advised as to the direction Seneca should be taking. On a personal note, I would like to thank Bro. Rich Townsend for taking over in the East on short notice, and the outstanding job he did at that meeting.

Congratulations are in order to Wor. Bob Green, our Representative to the T.C.C.'s Board of Trustees, as he has been elected Treasurer of the group.

Sickness and Distress

Bro. Robert Schoonmaker was bereaved by the death of his wife, Mary Gene, on October 6 after a long illness. Our sympathies go to Bro. Bob and his family. Alice Hastings, widow of our late Bro. Clark Hastings, died on October 13, only five weeks after the passing of her husband.

As this is written, Bro. John Stamp is seriously ill in Rochester General Hospital. He fell at home and broke his leg, and then had to undergo a gall bladder operation. He is not up to receiving visitors just yet.

Bro. Bill Babcock is still at

Westgate Nursing Home, where he continues to receive physiotherapy treatments. Bro. Charlie Kohlmetz is now at home after a stay in Geneva Hospital. He is taking it easy to avoid stress, which may arise from his diabetes and angina condition.

Wor. Jim Cooper recently had a hernia operation, but recovered rapidly. He and Fran are now on an overseas trip to Australian and New Zealand.

We have just learned that Bro. William Rogers, who lives in Hemet, CA, suffered a stroke in February 1987 and is unable to work any longer.

It is unfortunate that we were unaware of Bro. Bill's illness before now and would like to emphasize to everyone that we are anxious to keep up to date on the health and well-being of all our members. This applies particularly to those who live away from Rochester. All it takes is a note from you or a member of your family to pass along your current news. Even if you are in the best of health, we'd like to hear from you and pass along your comments to the other brethren.

Reminder

Turnout for our Lodge dinners has been good this year and those who come are quite complimentary about the quality and variety of the cuisine. Don't forget, if you are not on the "permanent" reservation list to call the Junior Warden, Bro. Jack VanElzakker at, 223-4364 (Home) or 461-8060 (Office) by the Sunday afternoon before the meeting to make reservations or cancellations.

From the West

The plans for our Annual Meeting in December seemed to be well in hand for a memorable communication. However, due to circumstances beyond the control of all parties concerned, the agenda for December 20th has been changed.

Unfortunately, the M. Wor. Grand Master will not be able to be with us as we had expected. But the good news is that he will be here on January 14, 1989 for a Public Installation in Seneca Lodge, with a reception following immediately afterward in Doric Hall.

Getting back to December 20, annual reports will be presented and the election of 1989 officers will take place. The newly elected Master will be invested with the Secrets of the Chair by the Seneca Past Masters, as is the tradition of our Lodge. More information will be forthcoming in the next Trestleboard to keep you

posted.

Fraternally,
Richard S. Townsend
Senior Warden
The Secretary's Corner

Congratulations to Wor. Jim Scobell who was recently elected to receive the 33rd Degree of the Scottish Rite. He will be coroneted at next year's annual meeting of their Supreme Council. Another Senecan who has been honored by the Scottish Rite is Rt. Wor. Fred Seuffert who received the Deputy's Award at the annual meeting of the New Council of Deliberation. It is given to "an outstanding Scottish Rite Mason, and in recognition of dedication, achievements and service to the Rite.

Congratulations also to Bro. Oluf Nielsen who lives in Ocala, FL, and was elected as the first President of Pine Run High Twelve Club No. 665 in that city. The club was chartered in June with 25 members. High Twelve is a country-wide organization of Master Masons and has a special interest in Masonic youth. Its motto is "To reflect upon truth, to talk little, to hear much". Rt. Wor. Roy Dement is Secretary of the Rochester Club No. 619. It meets at the Maplewood Inn every other month for lunch.

We would also like to congratulate Rt. Wor. Bob Simpson, Past Master of St. Andrew's Lodge No. 16 G.R.C., Toronto, and well known to Seneca brethren, on his election as D.D.G.M. of Toronto District No. 3. The new District Secretary is another P.M. of St. Andrew's Wor. Bruce Carson.

As mentioned under Sickness and Distress, Wor. Jim and Fran Cooper are off on a five week trip to Australia. It's now spring down there so they will miss the first snowfall of our season.

Bro. Howard "Stick" Stickney, our erstwhile Tiler has retired after many years in sales for Moore Business Forms.

Bro. Bob VanDuyne, after retirement from Eastman Kodak, became Executive of one of its subsidiaries, Visicon Laboratories, in Oak Ridge, TN. Bro. Bob has now moved to Williamsburg, VA, but I have no word on whether he's still active with Visicon.

Another recent retiree is Bro. Del Fix who has left his post as Research Scientist at Eastman Kodak to the younger generation.

Wor. Art Schuster Sr. sent me an article from the Brighton Post on Clement Lanni, a past member of Seneca Lodge who died in 1963. Bro. Lanni was a local sports star in his younger days and was involved in the Rochester political scene in the 1910-20 era, as well as publisher of an Italian language newspaper. His son, Bro. Dan Lanni, was also a member of Seneca Lodge until his death in 1981.

Did you notice Bro. Ed Kidd's name in the NAMEDROPPING Column of the D&C a few weeks ago? A man who makes it his hobby

to find the biggest old grand-daddy tree in the state heard about a pignut tree on the former J. Howard Kidd estate, which is now part of the Penfield YMCA property on Bay Road. The tree has a magnificent golden crown spread of 62 feet, stands 73 feet tall and has a trunk 18 feet in diameter. Howard Kidd, Bro. Ed's father, was a 54-year member of F.R. Lawrence and Seneca Lodges until his death in 1981. We have had several comments from brethren in the Fairport area about late delivery of their Trestleboards. They are usually delivered to the main Post Office on Jefferson Road for distribution in the bulk mail system during the first week of the month. For some reason, the Fairport Branch is tardy in its delivery of this mail to recipients in its zone. If you are getting your Trestleboard only by the second or third week, why not complain to the Fairport Branch Manager? I hope it will have some effect.

BULLETIN

Seneca Lodge has made its decision to remain as an owner body in the Temple Civic Center at least until the status of the T.C.C. is resolved.

Last month's Trestleboard outlined the background of Seneca Lodge's deliberations over the past many months, and the current Temple financial situation. A motion for Seneca to vacate the building at the end of 1988 was brought to the brethren at the October Communication, and after an additional opportunity to discuss the issue, was voted on.

The motion, which required a two-thirds vote for approval, was defeated, so Seneca Lodge will remain an owner body of the T.C.C.

An apparent factor in the vote was a pending purchase offer for the Temple from a New York group for a reported \$600,000. All the conditions in the offer were not acceptable to the T.C.C. Board and a counter offer has been forwarded to them. At the moment, no agreement has been reached and the Temple financial condition remains precarious.

After outstanding debts are paid off, it is unclear whether the excess funds would be distributed to the owner bodies or held in escrow for future use, such as building a new Temple.

So that's where we stand for now. We'll keep you posted on further developments as they arise. Wor. Bob Green, our representative to the T.C.C., has been named Treasurer of the Board, so we will have a direct feedback on the continuing situation.

Trestleboard
Dec 3
Audit Meeting

Dec 10
Breakfast with Santa
at Northfield Lodge,
Pittsford
8 am-Noon

Dec 20
Annual Meeting

**FRANK L SIMES
LODGE**

**990
2nd
Tuesday**



It is with mixed emotions that I write this, my last article as Master. In one respect I'm thankful that the year is drawing to an end, yet I can't believe it's over so soon.

To the members, THANK YOU for allowing me to lead this great Lodge this year, and to the officers, my sincere appreciation for your support. Without the support of officers and members alike, a Lodge can do nothing. We have accomplished many things this year. Thank you all for a wonderful year. I only hope that you can say the same about it.

We tried many new things this year with the hope that the variety appealed to the different likes of our members. Some of the programs were aimed at education, some just for fun. The social activities were enjoyed by all who were able to attend. The phone committee tried to reach out to members that we haven't seen for some time and say "We Do CARE about YOU!". The discussions over the fate of the building have been long and sometimes heated. Unfortunately, I don't think it's over yet. We need to draw together in one direction, combine all our energies into a common goal. Together we succeed, divided we fail.

During November, we had our annual Memorial Service remembering those Brothers that were called by the Supreme Architect of the Universe during 1988. Brothers Percy Hofer, Bernard Lind, John Simpson and Howard Yahn were remembered. The Lodge will miss these men and extends to their families our deepest sympathy. On November 22nd we were able to confer the First Degree on several new Brothers. Watch for further details or, better yet, come out to Lodge and meet your new Brothers. December 3rd is our annual Widow and Shut In Visitations. This is always enjoyable for those of us that visit.

In closing I would like to wish all the Brothers and their families a very happy Holiday Season and a prosperous new year.

Fraternally,
Gary L. Burke
Master

Trestleboard
December 13
Annual Communication-
(Tux). RSVP to Bob Stear
223-5915 or W: Dick
Snyder 586-4624 by
December 6th
Dinner at 6:30
ELECTION OF
OFFICERS and Roll
Call Night along
with voting on
the sale of the Temple

December 20
Fellowcraft Christmas
Party at W: Glenn
Stahls'

January 7
Public Installation Of
Officers-Joint
Installation of all
Lodges in Monroe
Districts

January 10
Lodge private
Installation of Officers

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Ladies Organization News

Fidelity Triangle



Christel Lathers Is Installed As Beloved Queen

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all from all the Officers in the Triangle.

Saturday, November 12th 1988 was the Installation of Christel

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

To Read All Reports On December 6th

Dear Members,
The Annual meeting will be Dec. 6th. All reports will be read at this meeting.

It was nice hearing from Sisters Ethel Hall and Florence Jenkins. Our college member S. Tracy Mulaney also wrote us a newsy letter about her activities.

We thank all who visited us and helped at R:W: Bill Baxter's reception. It was nice to meet our new Grand officers and will be looking forward to seeing more of them this New Year. It was good to have so many from other districts, especially our friends from Erie.

The Chapter has put a

**CHARLOTTE-CORINTHIAN
LODGE No. 1088
1st and 3rd Tuesday**

W. Don Freeman Had A Very Successful Year

Greetings Brethren:
The last letter I got ahead of myself and said that was my last letter, well I was wrong, I apologize.

For another year we have retained both banners, the School of Ritual and the Grand Lecturers Convention banner, thanks to the brethren, who turned out to help the Lodge keep the banners. We also kept the plaque for having the most members and their ladies attending the annual Masonic Breakfast, October 30. It is now being inscribed with the Lodge name and soon will again be hanging in the ante room next to the outer door.

On December 20, the Lodge will have its annual meeting and reading of reports and election of officers. On December 28, is the joint investiture service at

Lathers as Beloved Queen, for the next term. Many thanks to all the Sir Knights who formed a receiving line for her. We will be selling Claxton Fruit Cakes for the Holiday season.

The Bi-Annual Convention at Lockport was a tremendous success. All the girls did a fabulous job. It was marvelous. At the Convention, Mrs. Leven announced that Lisa Montante of Lockport would be the new State Representative of Triangles. She was Installed at the Convention by Mrs. Leven, State Director.

There will be a Triangle meeting on December 10th 1988 at 8 PM here in the Masonic Temple, Rochester, NY. Time will be 8 PM. Come on out.

Fraternally,
Elaine K. Bertie
Jr. Deputy
Roy E. Huff
Reporter

beautiful new rug in our lounge. The Lodge has it all painted, so we are looking all fresh and new. I hope all our members will be able to get up to the rooms and see our new look.

We have been so busy with our reception for R:W: Bill's reception that we have as yet to make plans for a Christmas party, so this will be announced soon.

The Chapter will put on a reception for W: Pat Lather's daughter Crystal who is in the Tringles. This affair will be in the Rochester Temple. We will also need help and donations. If you can help out call W: Carol Wynings or W: Anita Drake.

Christmas brings out the child in all of us. May you know its wonder, feel its warmth, and share its Love. Our thoughts of you are warm and special.

"Gentle Christmas Blessings"

Fraternally,
W. Avis Theis
Corres.

the Masonic Temple, 875 E. Main St. and on January 3, 1989 is the installation of officers.

On December 21, W. Bro. Joseph Privitera was asked by Ancient Craft Lodge to portray the 2nd section of the 3rd degree. He will need brothers to take an active part. Any brother wishing to participate contact Joe either at our Lodge Meeting December 6, or by calling his home 392-5583.

In closing I will at this time thank my officers and brethren, who have supported me all year, and many thanks to the trustees who have made our Lodge 2nd to none in appearance. The Master elect and his officers for 1989 I wish you all a very prosperous and happy year.

Fraternally,
Donald E. Freeman

1988 is almost finished, another successful year for Charlotte-Corinthian Lodge with eleven new Masons, a very great Table Lodge, we retained both banners, a well attended Lodge picnic, and Tri-Lodge steak roast. The kids (of every age) are looking forward to the

Lodge Christmas party.

Looking forward to 1989 the new Master and officers are working hard preparing for a good busy year. As ever we are looking for new members, retaining all members and hopefully, seeing more of you at Lodge functions. If any of you brothers have any ideas for more attendance and better participation, please share them with the rest of us.

There is planned a special public installation to be held at the downtown Temple on January 7, 1989 at 7:30 p.m. See you there.

It is time to congratulate W: Don Freeman for a very successful year as Master and wish him well in the future.

For all brothers we are asking for your support in as many functions as you can in 1989. Enthusiasm is contagious, so let's have a Lodge epidemic.

Looking forward to serving you and the Lodge as Master for 1989.

Fraternally,
W: Don Carlile
Senior Warden

Past Masters News

The Past Masters of Charlotte Corinthian Lodge put on the Second Degree on October 18, 1988. Wor. Keith Stambach was in the East, with Wor. Jim Smith as Sr. Warden, Rt. Wor. Bert Steene as Jr. Warden, myself as Sr. Deacon, Wor. Don Freeman as Jr. Deacon, Rt. Wor. Tom Pagila and Wor. Stan Allen as Masters of Ceremony, Wor. Don Fox and Wor. Floyd Bedoar as Stewards and Rt. Wor. Duane Manchester as Marshal. Rt. Wor. Jim Gieson did the Working tools, Rt. Wor. Bert Steene did the Middle Chamber lecture and Wor. Jim Branigan was at the organ. Everybody did a great job. Other Past Masters present were Rt. Worshipful Gordy Davidson and Worshipfuls Matt Barry and George Bundoc. All Past Masters present were introduced along with the Lodge and year they were Master.

The Past Masters Installing team will be installing the new officers of the Lodge in their respective Stations and Places on Jan 3, 1989. Rt. Wor. Bert Steene is making all the arrangements.

Wor. Merle Evoy was in Rochester General Hospital with breathing problems and is now home and doing fine.

Fraternally,
Wor. Joe Privitera
Secretary, Past
Master

Trustees Up-Date

I am glad to report to the membership that the shed has been completed. New tar paper, 1/2" plywood, Fiberglass shingles, vinyl siding and molding, aluminum fascia and soffit and an insulated metal door was installed. We now have a weather proof shed which should help the dining room in the Winter.

On November 5, 1988, Saturday, the following Brothers: Dick Felgner, Ron Langworthy, Keith Stambach, Ron Whitney, Joe Privitera, Don Freeman, Harry Lake and Bert Steene, did a herculean job by moving two wardrobe cabinets from the 6th floor in the downtown Temple to our building, on the second floor in the storeroom. Special thanks to Bro. Whitney for the use of his flat bed trailer and to Bro. Langworthy for the use of his son's Bronco to pull it. Breakfast and lunch were provided to these dedicated

volunteers.

For your information, these cabinets were purchased by the old Corinthian Temple Lodge from the Masonic Temple Assn. Inc. in 1930 for \$98.50. The cost of the cabinet that the officers use was \$57.42. These items are a very essential addition to our properties.

The final project for this year will be the installation of the flood light at the rear of the building so that the Eastern Star Chapter will be able to see how to get in and out of the shed door from the dining room and also for easy exit from the fire escape at the rear of the Lodge room. At the same time we will be putting in Lexan lenses into the parking lot lights for protection and clarity from the existing glass and wire mesh enclosure.

In the Spring, the Lodge voted to have the driveway resurfaced and a walkway installed from the end of the driveway up to the back door. Along with this, be prepared to volunteer your services in 1990 for a work party that will coat it to protect from gas and oil leakage from cars.

Your Trustees are very satisfied with the support you have given us in the

FAIRPORT LODGE No. 476 2nd and 4th Mondays

Incredible though it may be, 1988 is a lameduck year. The Holiday Season is upon us and 1989 waits impatiently in the wings. It is my wish that the Holidays bring you all happiness and 1989 is the onset of a bright future.

Our only task on the trestleboard for December is the Annual Summoned Communication. The meeting will be held on December 12 and the key points for the evening will be elections of the 1989 officers, budget, and annual reports. I will expect to see all the Brothers of Fairport #476 in attendance.

December 1 is also a special date for Brother Easton T. "Kel" Kelsey who will be receiving the Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Service Award. That evening's festivities will begin at 8:00 p.m. in Cathedral Hall of the Masonic Temple downtown. MW: Roswell T. Swits, Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York will be presenting the awards. I would love to see a big turn out from Fairport.

November was a busy month. The evening of the 14th saw Bro. Wayne Beckwith assume the East for our annual move-up night. A good job was done by all who were occupying the various chairs for the first time.

November 28 was a Third Degree night preceded by another of the now famous dinners put on by the Fairport Chapter #444 O.E.S. My waistline cannot afford many more meals like that one.

Yours truly was in the East for the degree. I'd like to thank the Fairport degree team for their fine effort. They worked hard through three rehearsals and I believe it showed. Thank you, Brothers.

As I expect this will be my last article for the Monroe Masonic News, at least as Master of Fairport Lodge, I'd like to take this

opportunity to make a few comments. First under old business, I have been haunted by the specter of an oversight for nearly a year. In my rush to put the 1988 Program to bed, I neglected to list Bro. "Buzz" Goodrich under Distinguished Brethren. Bro. "Buzz" is a D.S.A. recipient and more than deserves the honor of being recognized as such. Bro. "Buzz" please accept my apologies for this omission.

Second, overall, I believe 1988 was a good year for Fairport #476. Financially, we were more than able to keep the wolves from our door, thanks to the hard work of many of the Brothers.

While we did not achieve all the goals set forth for this year, thanks to the hard work of many of the Brothers, we did exceed other goals. As a result, the Lodge prospered and as Master I enjoyed a fine year.

This is not to say the Trestleboard is barren. There are many tasks left to attack and much work in progress. The 1989 Brotherhood Fund and L.E.A.F. drives are in full swing. There are many potential candidates unpetitioned. And, there is a new Master with new goals and directions on the horizon.

My Brothers, I stand and applaud you for your fine effort this year. At the same time, I put mouth to ear and say: Have fun, but get the work done.

Fraternally,
David H. Mawhiney
Master

Trestleboard
December 12
Annual Meeting

Dec 6
Open meeting

Dec 11
Christmas Party

Dec 20
Annual Meeting

Dec 21
2nd section of 3rd degree
Ancient Craft Lodge

Dec 28
Joint Investiture
875 E. Main St.

Jan 3
Installation of Officers

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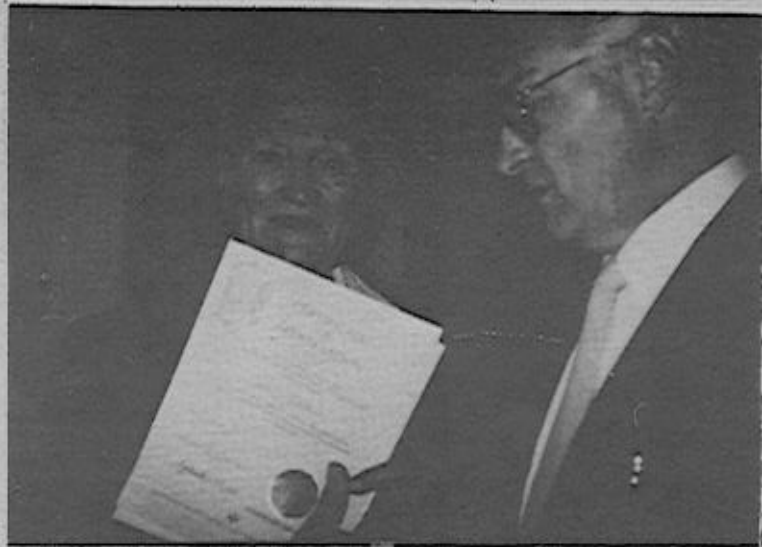
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Brother and Ill. Red Skelton receives certificate of Honorary Member of the Metropolitan Rochester Police and Fire Square Club.

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SQUARE CLUB

Brethren:
 By now, you all have received your dues notices. They have been sent out early so as not to conflict with the holidays, so if you have not yet returned the form along with your dues, please do so as soon as possible. The only reminders will be in this column, as I am trying to save the Club money for postage, as much as possible.
 Here's wishing you all a Happy Thanksgiving, a Merry Christmas, and a Joyous New Year from the officers of the Metro Club. Flashback: Now for the big surprise I promised you in our November column. As you can see by the picture, our Club's wish has come true. Last year at our November 1987 elections, I proposed to try to contact Red Skelton, in order to make him an Honorary Member of the Club. It was brought to a vote, and passed, by those members who attended. As luck

would have it, the timing was perfect, as unbeknownst to us, he would be coming to town for a performance in September. Having been lifelong fans of his, my wife Barbara and I attended the show, and hoping to seize the opportunity to see him, I spoke to the promoter, who said we could come backstage after the performance, which we did. We were able to meet Red Skelton and present him with a certificate and card of Honorary Membership from the Club. Had he known this before the show, I could have come onstage to make the presentation. He thanked me, and was very appreciative, and said that he didn't have time to visit a Lodge while in town. I am sure you Masons out there are aware that he is a 33 degree Mason, and I do believe from some investigation, that he was given the Humanitarian award by the Grand Lodge of the State of New York, a while back.
 I was an exciting occasion and a very great pleasure and honor for me to be able to represent our Club, and make the presentation in person.

Footnote: Because of lack of reservations, the election has been rescheduled to February 1, 1989, same place, same time. A letter will be sent out again, please put this on your calendar.
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WAKAN-HUBBARD LODGE
 No. 1054
 2nd and 4th Mondays

Four Citizens Will Receive DeWitt Clinton Award

Brethren:
 Wakan-Hubbard Lodge will have a special program on December 9th for the purpose of presenting the DeWitt Clinton Award to 4 outstanding citizens for their charitable efforts in support of the Muscular Dystrophy Foundation. Miss Jean Brill, Miss Sharon Norris and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Klos will be honored at that time and the meeting will be open to the public. This group has been responsible for raising in excess of \$13,000 over the past three years which they presented at the Jerry Lewis Telethon.

On Sunday, December 11th, we will have our annual Children's Christmas program, and all are invited. Bring your children, grandchildren or neighbors' children—the more the merrier.

You will be receiving a Summons Letter for the annual meeting of the Lodge if you have not already done so. This is a very important meeting and I would urge you to make every effort to attend.

My thanks to everyone for their assistance and cooperation in making 1988 an excellent year for me as Master of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge. It has been most interesting and rewarding and a great learning experience for me.

Best wishes for a happy holiday season.

Fraternally,
 W: Charles C. Spiegel
 Master

News and Views

Brethren:
 I have been receiving quite a lot of flack following the Seminar in Buffalo last month. For some reason, the brothers who traveled with me did not appreciate my guided tour of downtown Buffalo as well as most of the suburbs. My only defense is that none of the other many navigators aboard were of any great help.

Our Brother Roy Connolly, D.S.A., has spent a number of days in Rochester General Hospital, and by the time this is in print should be at either Rochester Community Hospital or St. John's Home for therapy. Please send cards.

W: Merle Evoy is having continued problems and is in Rochester General at this writing.

Both W: Robert Lauzon and his wife are under the weather at home.

Brother Charles Kohlmetz has been in the hospital for an angiogram.

W: Bill Buckman and his brother W: Ray Buckman are both seriously ill at their respective homes in Florida.

W: Charles Tijou is again experiencing considerable problems with his eyes. His vision has deteriorated further.

Brothers Richard Brockman and Tom Hueston presented the Whys and

OATKA LODGE
 No. 759
 2nd and 4th Wednesdays

Glen A. Scheerens To Receive The A.A.S.R. Award

Brethren,
 A wonderful and enjoyable evening of fellowship was had by all Wednesday November 9, 1988. A delegation from the "Monroe Districts" made their official visit to our Lodge. They were as follows: R.W. Kenneth L. Meyers, D.D.G.M. of 2nd Monroe, R.W. David C. Clark, D.D.G.M. of 1st Monroe, also Grand Lodge Staff Officers: R.W. Robert M. Dibble, Grand Steward, also R.W. William Baldwin, Grand Director of Ceremonies. There also was R.W. James H. Gisleson, Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Turkey and R.W. Francis E. Oberer, Grand Director of Ceremonies from the Livingston District. The message from the Most Worshipful Roswell T. Swits was given by R.W. Kenneth L. Meyers. Other subjects that were touched upon by the Right Worshipfuls were the Laboratory Endowment Fund, better known as "L.E.A.F.", the Officers Correspondence Course, also a message on DeMolay. Brother William R. Lindsay spoke on the Brotherhood Fund.

Congratulations to Brother Robert L. Salzer, he was presented with a lapel pin and a certificate from R.W. Kenneth L. Meyers for the fifty years of membership in OATKA LODGE 759. Good "Luck" and good "Health" Bob, to you and your wife, come join us at Lodge when you can.

Ladies Night was a success although only 18 couples were present. Every one enjoyed the dinner prepared by the Sisters of the Eastern Star, thanks once again the Star. Music by Sunset Sounds (D.J.) was excellent. The Ancient Accepted

Wherefores at Canandaigua Lodge No. 294 last month.

Our sincere congratulations to Brother Jim Radcliffe on his 80th birthday and to W: Charles Farrell on his 88th. Wow!

We would like to express our sincere thanks to the Scottish Rite Players for their presentation of the play "Treason Against the Crown" at our meeting on the 14th of November.

Our annual visit to Coronation Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Weston, Ontario, Canada, was its usual tremendous success. A particular surprise awaited our Brethren at the unexpected appearance of W: Larry Biekirch, who flew in from Atlanta for the occasion. It should be noted that W: Bill Bennett, the Master of Coronation Lodge, was fully aware that Larry was coming but didn't breath a word. Our sincere thanks to all the brethren of Coronation Lodge for their many courtesies.

Fraternally,
 R:W: A. John Tijou

Trestleboard
 Dec 9
 DeWitt Clinton Award (open to all)

Dec 11
 Children's Christmas Party

Dec 12
 Annual Meeting

Scottish Rite, Valley of Rochester, N.Y. will present their 3rd annual Symbolic Lodge Service Award night which will be held on December 1st, 1988, at the Masonic Temple, 875 E. Main Street, Rochester, N.Y. The nominee from our OATKA LODGE 759 will be our Senior Warden, Glen A. Scheerens. The certificate of Award will be presented by the Most Worshipful and Illustrious Roswell T. Swits, 33 Degree, Grand Master of Masons of the State of New York. Family and Lodge members are urged to attend. Once again I would like to thank all of the Right Worshipfuls from the "Monroe Districts" and the Right Worshipful from the Livingston District for visiting our Lodge.
 A SPECIAL THANKS to my Brother, Donald P. Scheerens, for his efforts in bringing the members of his Lodge, R.W.'s Worshipfuls and Brothers to our Lodge, from Dansville Lodge 478, Dansville, N.Y. That's about all for now. Fraternally,
 Wilford D. Scheerens
 Master

YONNONDIO LODGE
 No. 163
 1st and 3rd Tuesdays

Brethren,
 Our Official Visit by R:W: David Clark District Deputy of the First Monroe District went well. Only one of our Honoree's was able to attend. Brother George Goetzman was welcomed in the East and Presented his 25 year certificate and pin by R:W: David Clark who also gave us the Grand Masters message. At the December 6, 1988 meeting the Senior Warden, Daniel Emerson, will give us insight on his plans for 1989.

December 13, 1988 will be the Past Masters' dinner at Monroe Golf Club. Past Masters: Please try your best to make it for the dinner and meeting.

On December 20, 1988 we will have our Annual Communication at 7:30 pm at 17 Church Street, Pittsford, NY.

If you are in arrears with your dues and there is a definite problem, please call me at 624-4568 or the Secretary at 334-6419 to discuss it. With our merger coming up we have many exciting possibilities and we want you to be part of them.

Valley 109 has officially withdrawn from the four Lodge merger negotiations. We wish them luck with their endeavors and they have likewise wished the remaining 3 Lodges the same in the continuance of their negotiations to complete the merger between Genesee Falls #507, Zetland #951, and Yonnonديو #163.

My brothers, it has truly been my pleasure to be Master of this historic Lodge in 1988. I look forward to working in the merged Lodge with great expectations. Thank you again for the honor.

Fraternally,
 Frank Kelsey
 Master

Trestleboard
 December 6
 Regular Meeting

December 13
 Past Masters Dinner

December 20
 Annual Communication



On October 9, 1988, the Committee above in the left picture, visited the Veterans Hospital for their monthly visitation. Both District Deputies were there. R:W: David Clarke from the First Monroe and R:W: Kenneth Meyers. Also with us were ladies from the Nile. On December 5, 1988, a group will be at the Hospital for gift wrapping which will start at 9:00 AM at Building #5. These gifts will be distributed on December 18, 1988 from Building #5 at 12:30 PM. Come join in the gift giving and light up the day for a veteran. The more in attendance, the better the patients feel. It is open to all and everyone. A little time that day from you will make you feel better and appreciate all that you have. Remember - "These are the people who helped keep your liberty".

The picture on the right shows those who attended last year's gift giving.

Since 1946 till 1987, the Hospital Visitation Program has contributed \$9,456,046. Without that financial help from the Masonic Service Association none of the visitations that take place at the hospitals would happen.

Our activity schedule for 1989 is as follows:

- Jan 8
 - Feb 12
National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans
 - Mar 12
 - Apr 9
 - Oct 8
 - Nov 12
 - Dec 17
Patient Holiday Party
@ 1:30 PM
- All of the visitations start at 1:30 PM.
Fraternally,
Thomas M. Paglia
Grand Lodge Veterans Representative

FAME LODGE
No. 945
2nd and 4th Tuesdays

Reflections On The Past Year

Brethren and Friends:
The 1988 Master's year is rapidly drawing to a close. The Winter holiday season is almost upon us. Even now caravans of sun-bird Masons can be spotted wending their ways South on I-95. Before the rush to Florida, or wassail bowls takes place, a few moments reflection on the past year are surely in order.

Within Fame Lodge business went on much as usual. An open-installation in January was followed with a reception laden with good things to eat and drink (or possibly to over-eat and drink). The work and support of the Past Masters- but especially R.W. John Dense and Bert Bushnell (DSA)-provided the line officers with not only assistance but also direction and a sense of continuity. Visits to

shut-ins and ailing Brothers were made around Valentine's Day.

The August breakfast-on-the-park was again headed by brunch Master Bob Hebner. This year's edition was especially well-attended following W. Bob's announcement that scientists had proven that food eaten out-of-doors or standing-up is never fattening.

The return of Lodge work in the Fall saw Fame

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HESPERUS
Lodge 837
Bergen, N.Y.
First & Third Thursday

Kenneth J. Barons Presented With A Fifty Year Pin

Dear Brethren:
On Monday October 31, a Euchre tournament was



held at Churchville, with ten brothers from our Lodge in attendance. This enabled us to have 5 actively playing teams. We didn't do too badly, we came in 2nd!

At our regular meeting on November 3rd, W. Kenneth J. Barons was presented with a 50 year pin and certificate from Grand Lodge. Presenting the pin and certificate was R.W. Holden Miller, who tried to describe to us what things were like 50 years ago when W. Ken was raised. Among the things that were discussed were how the town looked at that time, how the Lodge attendance was considerably larger and what some of the everyday commodities such as milk, eggs, etc. cost. Times sure have changed!

Insomuch as this article was submitted for the December issue, we are unable to give any details on our Annual 10-10 Party on Saturday November 26th. However, details of the party will be published in the January issue. I only hope that all can attend and have an enjoyable evening.

Greetings from our Senior Warden, Bro. Van Hulbert. As 1988 draws to a close, the Lodge continues to need your support. Thanksgiving and Christmas are busy times for everyone. These holidays are also ideal times for Masons to fulfill their obligation to Masonry. We need your fellowship most of all but we also need your help. We have a big event coming up, the distribution of Christmas baskets to the elderly and the needy. Your help and involvement will enable the Lodge to complete its mission in the Community. We look forward to seeing you at the next Lodge meeting.

Trestleboard

- Dec 1
Open House
8:20 P.M.
- Dec 15
Oyster Stew Night
Election of Officers
- Jan 5
Installation of Officers
by the Purple Apron Club
of the Genesee-Wyoming
District. Also DINNER!
- Jan 19
Annual STINK-NITE,
featuring our favorite
delicacies. A night you
- Jan 30
Euchre Tournament
at Etolian
7:30 P.M.

UNION STAR LODGE
No. 320
2nd Monday

Harvey Closs, A Million Thanks

Brethren:

I would like to thank all the Brethren that attended our November meeting for our Official Visit. Our Senior Warden, Joe Cotteleer gave us a fine dinner. I would like to thank the Brethren that participated in the Lodge clean up.

I would personally like to thank all the Officers and Brethren who assisted me during 1988. It was a pleasure serving the Lodge as Master again. In 1989 I will be serving the Lodge as the Brotherhood Fund Chairman and Brother Joe has asked me to be Tyler.

December 13 will be our Annual Election. Please make every effort to attend.

Brethren, we are in the process of changing the corporate status of Union Star Temple Association from a C-Corporation to a Not for Profit Corporation. I expect to have a list of current stockholders within the next month. Any Senior Brethren that will help to purge the stockholders list in order to find the addresses of these people would be greatly appreciated. Please call my office at 624-3840 and I will provide you with a list in order for us to contact these people.

It is hard to recognize or to praise any single individual because you may

forget some of the people that have assisted in helping out Union Star Lodge and Union Star Temple Association, but I feel Grand Honors are in order for one particular individual that has worked many hours and many years so that Union Star Lodge could enjoy the Masonic Temple that we have today. That Brother is Worshipful Harvey Closs, who has done so much for our Lodge and the Craft. If you should see Harvey riding his bicycle or in the coffee shop, just say "Thank You." And the Brethren that are not here locally, you may feel like sending Harvey a card of Thanks.


Fraternally,
W. Paul Spillane

Trestleboard
December 13
Annual Election
7:30 p.m.

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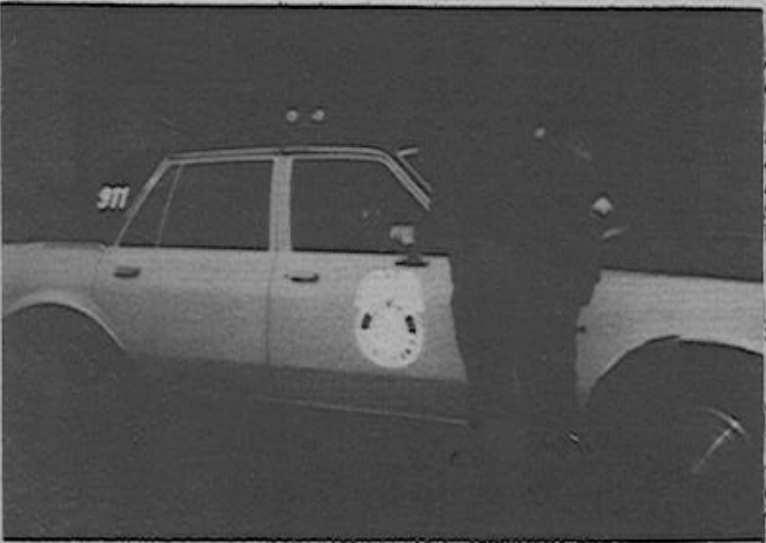
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Awarded Silver Medal



Rochester Police Officer, George DeWitt, from Genesee Falls Lodge #507, won a "Silver Medal" in the individual riot skeet shoot at the International Police Olympics held in Las Vegas, August 21- 28, 1988. He has teamed up with (4) other officers to win a gold medal in the team skeet event. Officer DeWitt was one of 290 New York State Police Officers who competed against 4,055 police officers from all over the United States and Canada. Officer George DeWitt can be proud and stand tall as one of the finest police officers in the Rochester Police Department. Genesee Falls Lodge should be proud of officer DeWitt.

GENESEE FALLS LODGE No. 507 2nd Thursday

Brethren,
This is my last article as your W. Master and I would like to thank the Brethren of Genesee Falls Lodge for the honor and the privilege of being your Master for the second time. To my 1988 Officers: Thank you for all your help during this year.

Thursday November 10th was our Lodge Official Visit of our District Deputy, R.W. Kenneth L. Myers and the staff Officers. Also this year the two District Deputies and their Staff Officers are traveling together. To the Brethren that were honored for Twenty Five years or more of service to the Craft, I would like to congratulate each of you and hope that we will see you at Lodge in the future.

During the coming year I will be your Lodge Chairman for the 1988-1989 Masonic Brotherhood Fund. This year the Most Worshipful Grand Master Robert T. Swits is asking us to support the L.E.A.F. program, which stands for the Laboratory Endowment & Action Fund for the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory. Due to the cutback in Federal and private funding, they are having problems in making up the difference. As the M.W. Grand Master has said, we need the support of all the New York State Masons. Let's all work together and make our contributions to the Brotherhood Fund and support this very important project.

Thursday December 1st will be the Scottish Rite Awards night and this will be the night that R.W. Lawrence F. Geith and W. Harold Metzler will receive

the Meritorious Service Award and their Red Hats from Rochester Consistory. Also on this night one of our Lodge Brothers, Simon Parrinello, will receive an award. Thursday December 8th will be our annual meeting and election of Officers for 1989. I would like to congratulate Brother Terry Wihlen on being elected Master of Genesee Falls Lodge for 1989.

In closing, I would like to ask the Lodge Brothers to please let our Secretary Lawrence F. Geith, 483 Glide Street, Rochester, New York 14606 know your change of address if you should move. This will be very helpful in keeping our Lodge records up to date. Also I would like to wish all the Brethren and their families a Happy Holiday Season.

Fraternally,
W. Jay Riggs
Master

Trestleboard
Dec 1
Rochester Consistory
Awards Night

Dec 8
Annual Meeting &
Election of Officers

FAME LODGE No. 945 2nd and 4th Tuesdays

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Lodge officer's taking part in a School of Instruction Program. I can honestly say that our officers knew their parts—both vocals and footwork, and performed almost flawlessly.

The Lodge's memorial service was held on November 22. W. Bob Heber conducted the solemn proceedings.

One of the real highlights of the year took place outside the Lodge, with the Have-A-Heart/Buy-A-Heart campaign by the Masters and Wardens Group. The money raised was used to give a good start to the Ronald McDonald House now under construction in Rochester. This sort of high visibility activity is both worthwhile and fun.

Don't forget the Brotherhood Fund. Drive carefully.

Fraternally,
Michael Bell

MONROE LODGE No. 173 Charter Granted 1850

W. Walter Johnson Is Honored With A.A.S.R. Award

As the pace of activity increases around the world at this time of the year, so has the scope of involvement in Masonic and community activities increased for the brothers of Monroe Lodge #173.

The B.A.C.A. (Brockport Against Chemical Abuse) Organization held a breakfast meeting on Oct. 7, 1988, in order to recognize and solicit the continued support of the many local organizations that have helped in the past to provide this important service to our youth. Bro. Neil Laundry represented Monroe #173 at this function and reported back to the Lodge his observation that the program is well-conceived, well-founded, and well-worthy of our continued support.

The brothers of Monroe provided the fixin's, preparation, and servers for the Birthday Banquet Celebration of our Sisters at Mary Jane Holmes Chapter O.E.S. The Nov. 5th meal was delicious and the preparation and service impeccable (Well, pretty darn good, anyway). Congratulations to the kitchen staff of W. Mel Doverspike, Stan Hare, Bill Gilliam, W. Jay McCullough, Zack Lee, W. George Brege, and Neil Laundry.

Our Nov. 8th meeting represented "Move-Up" Night with Bro. Bill Gilliam in the East, Bro. Zack Lee in the West and Bro. Greg Haight in the South. The Sr. and Jr. Deacons' chairs were filled by Bros. Neil Laundry and Jim McNeese. The seats of the Secretary, Treasurer, Chaplain and Steward continued to find R:W: Robert Rudman, W. Jay McCullough, W. Mel Doverspike and W. Walt Johnson in attendance.

The brothers attended to the announcement of Bro. Fred Markham's passing on Oct. 11, 1988. Bro. Markham's departure was noted in due form and with the knowledge that we shall all meet again in love and joy in that Lodge on High.

The Companions of Leroy Chapter #29, Royal Arch Masons, provided a colorful and informative presentation on the York Rite Path. Our thanks go out to them for both the clarity of their floor work and the sharing of the excellent video on the history of Royal Arch Masonry.

In other noteworthy business, we find that Bro. Robert Patton will be participating in the Fall Consistory class of the Scottish Rite Reunion. Congratulations, Bob, on another step forward in your Masonic life and education. Bro. Neil Laundry will also be participating in the reunion as part of the ritual team for the 15th degree.

W. Walter Johnson will be honored on Dec. 3rd with the presentation of the Scottish Rite Award for Service to their Lodge. The brothers of Monroe Lodge #173 extend their warmest thanks to Walt for his outstanding personal and fraternal efforts in support of and service to his Lodge and brother Masons.

By the time this is posted, the Lodge will have

ETOLIAN LODGE No. 479 2nd and 4th Mondays

Brothers:

The month of November has been a busy one for a number of brothers making an advance through the concordant bodies. This advance has seen Bros. Rick Codori, Karl Reich, Rick Rollo, Garnet Rollo, enter the Holy Royal Arch. A further advance was also made W: Bro. Norm Rollo. Bros. Rick Rollo, Garnet Rollo, Karl Reich to the Order of the Knights of Templar. These Degrees should be seen by all Masons and would be remembered by all.

A special thanks to Clio Lodge for the conferring of the Fellowcraft Degree on one our candidates along with a "Job Well Done" on the beautiful Ritual work. Yes...Masonry is really working in "North Spencerport". A special "THANKS" to Bro. Don Stevens also from Clio for S.t.r.e.t.c.h.i.n.g his cabletow in filling in as organist thanks to him we have harmony in Lodge.

The fourth Degree was accented on "Yours Truly" Eastern Star Style on Master Mason Night attended by fifteen Brothers a good time was had by all in a Republican manner.

Greetings are in order to our new Brothers Ray Manderville, Ray Nettles, Marc Robinson, John Schaffer, how about dropping by and meeting them.

D.D.G.M. David Clark, S.M.C. Bill Baldwin, Chrm LEAF Comm Herb Spencer, Brotherhood Chrm. Don Walser Honored us with their annual visit on the 17th of November I hope they enjoyed their evening as we enjoyed having them.

December proves to be a busy month also starting with an award from the Rochester Consistory to W. Bro. James Powell for his work in the Craft. Congratulations Jimmy...

Election of Officers will be on Dec. 12th lets all try

CUSTODIANS CORNER

By R. W. Maurice Solomon
Custodians of the Work

Question:

Must a Degree be conferred in full at a single communication?

Answer:

Paragraph 636 (B on Page 165 of the Handbook of Masonic Law states: "As a matter of policy and practice and in the absence of an emergency, such as a blackout, fire or illness, a degree should be conferred completely at a single communication". This was a ruling by Grand Master Froessel in 1945, and approved by Grand Lodge

held its annual Corned Beef and Cabbage Fund Raiser on Nov. 12, 1988. R:W: Bob Rudman will already have been up bright-eyed (If not bushy-tailed), chef's hat and all, to get the stoves fired up and the cabbage cooking. Thanks go out to Mel Doverspike, Jerry Werner, and their crew of Lee McCullough and Laundry for their scrubbing and slicing and dicing the preceding evening. Special thanks go to our O.E.S. Sisters from Mary Jane Holmes Chapter for their much appreciated help in serving.

to attend these same Officers will be installed with a Public Installation on Jan. 7th. Time...2 PM. Bring family and friends all welcome. A Regular Communication will take place Jan 9th at 7:30.

The annual Xmas Party starts with a Tureen Dinner 6:30pm bring the family and a gift for the small ones to be handed out by "SANTA".

The New Master wishes the 1989 Officers to meet together Dec. 21st at 7:30 pm. Business and refreshments will be the order for the evening. How about a 100% turnout and show the Worshipful Master that you are ready to support him I'm sure he will do HIS best for you and continue to stimulate the Lodge with new ideas.

At this time I would like to thank all the Brothers for their fine Support in what I found to be not only a busy year but also a constructive one as well, we accomplished more than what I could have dreamed. These accomplishments could never be made without the cooperation and hard work of many Brothers.

I will not try and name all who participated for the list would be endless. A word of thanks to the Wives of these Brothers is in order as they must be blessed with patience.

My biggest project in the New Year will be "Getting to Know" my very understanding "Wife" again without her help many things would have been left undone... "Dolores THANKS AGAIN".

May the Great Architect of Universe watch over you during the Holidays that you may with us in 1989.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
Fraternally,
Norman B. Rollo
Master Etolian
Lodge

Trestleboard
December 19
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that year. It was also the subject of a similar answer by the then Grand Lecturer, R:W: James Higgins, in his column in the Empire State Mason of December, 1981, Page 29.

An Update.

In my column of April, 1988, I responded to a question pertaining to the position of the Bible and square and compasses at an Open Installation. In May, at its Annual Communication, the Grand Lodge of New York, on the recommendation of the Custodians of the Work, approved an amendment, namely, that while the Bible should still be opened at any random place, the Square and Compasses should be placed ON TOP OF the Bible in the Master Mason Mode.

With all of these things going on, how can one help but look forward to the excitement of the upcoming months; The election of officers in December; The installation in January; The honoring of old traditions and the creation of new traditions for the years to come. It is with enthusiasm and love that the Brothers of Monroe Lodge #173 send our fraternal greetings and best wishes for the upcoming year to all Masons across the County, State, Nation, and the World.

Fraternally,
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It is hard to believe, but another year has almost ended. We have some fine activities planned for the coming year to encourage further participation among our Sir Knights.

During the month of December we have some events which need all of you Sir Knights' participation and interest. Our Inspections are coming up shortly and we will be using our newly revised tactics.

Our annual Christmas Toast will be held December 9th with Cyrene Commandery as host. Do plan on attending this festive and blessed event.

On December 16th our ladies will be with us at our Christmas Dinner. There will be entertainment for the ladies while we have the meeting. A social hour will follow. Other Toast Nights coming up are Red Jacket 81 in Canandaigua on December 14th and Zenobia on December 21st in Palmyra.

I urge our new Sir Knights, who were installed November 5th to participate in all of the above conclaves and our Zone 11 functions as well so that they will be able to enlighten others as to what Knights Templar is all about.

Our annual Awards Night, held on November 12th, had a small but very enthusiastic group of Sir Knights and their ladies, along with our guests. The dinner was great and the entertainment, provided by the Triggers Square Dance Club was fantastic. And a live caller guided many of you through some fancy maneuvers! What a wonderful evening it was -- sorry that some of you missed it.

We have in Monroe Commandery a man who comes along rarely -- a man of loyal dedication and many years of devoted service. Ralph Biggar is the recipient of the title of Most Sovereign Past Grand Commander, Order of Judas Maccabeus Premier Assembly.

There are only two men in the world who have earned this title. Our congratulations go out to you, Ralph. On January 6th, 1989 we will be holding our annual meeting, so please set this date aside. It is an important one.

We seem to be behind in our birthdays but I will try to keep up from now on. The birthdays for November and December are:

- Richard DeCroe
- Lloyd Jamison
- Leonard Johnson
- Raymond Morgan
- Richard Muirhead
- Gordon Nichols
- Lawrence Sterling
- Lesslie Walker
- Raymond Beardsley
- Harry Benham Sr.
- Charles Bouras
- Lowell Cuthbert
- Harold Goodwin
- Frank Horton
- Frederick Hull
- David Long
- William Monor Jr.
- Richard Sidman
- Frederick Stahl
- Clarence Tegart
- John Thompson
- Darwin Turner

We wish you all a Happy Birthday and may God bless all of you.

Under sickness, our Past Commander, John Foch, is not doing too well and would appreciate hearing from all of you. Sir Knight Bob Phelps has improved and send his regards to all who have inquired. He also would enjoy hearing from you.

I hope your Thanksgiving was blessed for you and all families. We have much to be truly grateful for. Christmas and New Years are just around the corner and again we celebrate His birth with great joyousness. And may the coming year bring nothing but world peace and happiness to all of us.

That's about all for now. Keep your dues coming in to our Grand Generalissimo Robert Cook, 65 Dunbarton Drive, Rochester, New York 14618.

Remember, 'There is no job finished until the paperwork is done!'. Have a nice holiday and may God bless and be with all of you until our next meeting.

Fraternally,
 Robert B. Deckard
 Eminent Commander

yesterday that I was installed as High Priest of the Hamilton Chapter. Yes, one year goes by very quickly.

I would like to thank all the members and Officers of the Hamilton Chapter who supported and encouraged me in this past year. I hope this support continues on and on. Together much can be accomplished.

Our membership has increased in this past year, our Ladies Day on the Spirit of Rochester was a very successful endeavor, and certainly our trip to Canada was also very successful.

I know that my year has been a very enjoyable one and hope that your year past was the same.

I would like each member to realize that you are the important part of this chapter. The High Priest can put together the best programs, but without you it will fail.

Our incoming High Priest has many good programs planned for 1989. Please come out and support your officers with your presence.

Again, I would like to say thank you for your support and encouragement.

Fraternally,
 H.P. Jerry Jones

DORIC COUNCIL No. 19



So far this year, in this column, we've reviewed the goals, aims and purposes of several of Doric Councils' Super Committees. In September, we reviewed first, the broad concept of "Being Personally Identified As A Cryptic Mason." This, of course, must underly all we do because of our council's mission of EXPOSURE in the Masonic Community. October, the work of the Past Master's Apron Committee, chaired by Companion Ron Bertie was revealed. November listed the charge given to The New Member's Followup Committee, chaired by Companion Larry Dunn. That issue of the news also touched upon the upcoming February Countywide Cryptic Event which is being planned by the council at large. The entire concept was very warmly received at our last assembly and work is now going forth to reach the members of the other Masonic bodies under the very effective leadership of Companion Roger McCaughey.

One final committee to be discussed is the exciting Long Range Planning Committee, chaired by Companion Ted Honea with R. I. Stanley Peterson and Companion Arnold Palmer. You may ask - why a Long Range Planning Committee? All the Grand Bodies do this now, and because of this fact, they have gained a continuity of purposeful action from year to year (building upon what works and dropping what doesn't work). This is the talk of the state! Leaders are to be followed. Our Grand Bodies are our leaders. We can follow their lead. I'm not suggesting that we take anything away from their missions -- but, we could benefit from a continuity from year to year at our level too. Our three innovative and very Masonic thinkers on this committee have been working as a team and have already presented a tentative report at our September meeting. Their plans will be fully presented -- as our entire night's program -- at our February Assembly. They have given us insight into their thoughts with five concepts.

1. A Super Excellent Degree Team
2. Improved attendance suggestions
3. Membership building ideas
4. Public Relations
5. Need for an amendment to our bylaws to keep a long range planning committee going from year to year. (this article is being rewritten for presentation at our December meeting).

What all is planned for December?

First of all, any one of these committees is liable to be sharing some of their progress with us. It is exciting to go to council and be pleasantly surprised with the wonder of the activity from these active committees between assemblies in their reports. This proves that TRULY INVOLVED MASONS CAN DO ANYTHING!

Secondly, our A.G.L. of the 8th Cryptic District, V.I. William Whittaker, will make his annual visit. These nights with emphasis on improving ritual are always one of the highlights of any Masonic year and one

IONIC CHAPTER
No. 210
ROYAL ARCH MASONS
 4th Tuesday

Well, another Holiday season is upon us and I would like to take this opportunity to wish all a Merry Christmas and a Happy Chanukah, as well as the warmest of good wishes in the coming year from Ionic Chapter #210.

"You Are Hereby Summoned To Attend The Annual Regular Meeting of Ionic Chapter #210, R.A.M. on December 13, 1988 For The Purpose Of Election Of Officers, Reports Of Committees And Such Other Business As May Regularly Come Before The Chapter. This is a SUMMONED MEETING. Donald J. Brugger, High Priest".

I hope this communication finds you in good health, and I look forward to seeing you at our annual meeting on December 13th.

It has been an honor to serve as your High Priest in 1988. Because of our reduced numbers and unexpected changes in the line, it may be necessary for me to serve as your High Priest again in

of the more truly satisfying aspects of our labors.

Earlier in December (December 7) your officers will meet to work on our budget for next year and to shore up some of the loose ends for our countywide cryptic event. For now, good luck in your personal contacts with potential candidates. You know what we're all about but do your close friends in Royal Arch, know what we have to offer?? This mission belongs to all of us. The mission of giving what we have to the Masonic Community. This task we all share together. Good luck and please remember to "Be Personally Identified as a Cryptic Mason." You have that Honor.

Fraternally,
 Illustrious
 Donald W. Wright

1989. This, of course, will be decided by the Companions at the Annual Meeting.

The Annual meeting will also be the occasion of the Official Visit of the District Deputy Grand High Priest, Donald Wright. I am sure we will all want to be there to give him a warm Ionic welcome.

As has been custom in the past few years, arrangements have been made for a dinner prior to the meeting. All are invited to attend. Financial responsibility, of course, will be yours. The dinner will be at Sir Richards Pub located at 1750 Monroe Ave. Selections will be from the menu. We will be seated for dinner promptly at 5:45 PM. If you plan to attend please call me prior to December 7th, 1988. My home phone number is 458-6125, work number, 722-4498. If I am not available please leave a message on the service at my work number. Thanks.

Companion Charles A. Tijou has been having trouble with his eyes. We hope that he will come along well again. R.E. John H. Waldock is back with us and we are all glad that he is much better. Hope he can keep it that way. Cards or a call would be appreciated. No deaths to report at this time.

The dues have been coming in well, but those who have not as yet paid--please, we can sure use it in the Chapter.

Once again our Annual Meeting is the 13th of December and tux for the Officers is required. Don't forget, if you are coming to

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ANNUAL SUMMONS

In compliance with Section 33 of the Constitution of the Grand Chapter of the State of New York, Royal Arch Masons, you are hereby summoned to attend the Annual Stated Convocation of Hamilton Chapter No. 62, Royal Arch Masons to be held in Cathedral Hall, Masonic Temple 875 Main Street East, Rochester, New York on Thursday evening, December 8th, 1988 at 7:30 P.M., at which time the officers will be elected for the ensuing year, and such business transacted as may properly come before the meeting.

Fraternally,
 Ex. Gerald R. Jones Sr.
 High Priest
 Attest: R.Ex. Richard J. Oliver
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At a Commandery Pilgrimage on November 5th, 1988, under the direction of Companion Knight Horace C. Porter, OPC, 38 members of the College took part in the conferring of the Order of the Temple on 14 new Sir Knights.

The Order was proceeded by a very nice luncheon hosted by the ladies of the Schicker Club (Cyrene Commandery), at which time two outstanding York Rite Mason Awards were presented.

It was the special privilege of your Pre-Eminent Governor, to make this presentations to two of our Companion Knights, with their ladies present: Horace C. Porter, OPC, and C. Raymond Hager, OPC. The Recipients are two men who have made an outstanding contribution to York Rite Masonry. Pictures were taken at that time and will be presented later in the News. Our next College meeting will be at the Fairport Masonic Temple, 87 South Main Street, Fairport, NY at 3 PM on Dec. 10th, 1988 and tux is required for the Officers. This is the time names of new members for our reception at the March 11th, 1989 meeting should be proposed. Following the meeting a buffet dinner with the ladies is planned at the Village Landing Restaurant, a short distance from the Temple. By this time all of you should have received information thru the mail and returned the reservations required.

We are all glad that John H. Waldock is able to be with us again after his trip to the Hospital and glad to see him in such fine shape. Merry Christmas & Happy New Year to all.

Fraternally,
William E. Jones
Pre-Em. Gov.
Roy E. Huff
Em. Secretary

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Our Em. Commander, Lawrence Dunn and his lovely wife, Carmine, wish all of you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

S.K.C. Raymond Hager was elected and installed as V.E. Deputy Grand Commander at the Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of NY State held in Niagara Falls on Sept. 16th, 17th and 18th. Also Installed was S.K. Ronald J. Bertie as Em. Grand Swordbearer. Congratulations to both. V.E.C. Raymond Hager is also in charge of the School of Instruction of the Grand Commandery, State of New York for 1988-89. He has had at least 10 Instructions so far.

The Pilgrimage for the Commanderies was held on Nov. 5th and Cyrene Knighted 3 new members; S.K. Chris Starr, S.K. Ted Honea and S.K. Arnold Palmer. Thanks for being with us and I am sure that each will be an asset to our Commandery. At our conclave on the 11th of Nov. each was present and welcomed as new members.

Each year Cyrene Commandery and Monroe Commandery take turns being the host Commandery for the Christmas Toast. This year it will be held on Dec. 9th in Cathedral Hall, Masonic Temple, Rochester, NY at 8 PM. There will be a party afterwards in the 3rd floor dining room. The Sir Knights and their families and friends are invited to attend. It is very impressive to see and take part in the Christmas Toast and we are looking forward to it.

We will have a special summoned meeting on Friday, December 16th, 1988 at 7 PM. You will be receiving a letter informing you about it. This pertains to the future of the Temple.

On January 13th, 1989 we will have our annual meeting. Please be present as it is important that you hear what has been going on. Each of us should be very interested in what is happening. Come on out.

Some have not paid their dues as yet but time is still on your side, let's do it now. Thanks. We have no new sickness or deaths to report at this time. S.K. John Waldock is much better now and back with us.

Believe that is all for now except this: "May the Blessings of Heaven rest upon you and yours". Have fun till we meet again.

Fraternally,
Lawrence W. Sunn
Em. Commander
Roy E. Huff
Reporter

Order Of Judas Maccabeus

Merry Christmas, Happy Chanukah and the warmest of very good wishes to all in the Coming New Year.

The Order of Judas Maccabeus Assemblage No. 1 had a Festival on November 20th, 1988. The meeting was held at the Rochester Masonic Temple in Cathedral Hall at 2 PM. The Order of David was put on in full form. The degree director was R.S. John Tijou, Grand Lecturer, Order of Judas Maccabeus. There was a lunch after the meeting. We are planning a post-Holiday party which will be held in the early part of the New Year. We continue to be the fastest growing Masonic Body in the North Eastern United States.

The Grand Line Jewels were presented to the following:
M.S. Ralph Biggar, Past Grand Commander
R.S. John Tijou, Grand Lecturer
R.S. Ronald Bertie, Grand Capt. of the Guard

The following are the Officers of Assemblage #1; Sovereign Prince Commander, Ronald J. Bertie
Valient Prince Chancellor, John Tijou
Valient Prince Orator, Wayne Slack
Valient Prince Prelate, Arnold Palmer
Valient Prince Treasurer, Stanley V. Peterson
Valient Prince Recorder, Frederick S. Holderle
Valient Capt. of Guard, Cyrus Kloner
Valient Prince Marshall, Hartley Schut
Valient Prince Warder, Lawrence Dunn
Valient Prince Sentinel, Harold Bollotin
Valient Prince Reporter, Roy E. Huff

The Order of Judas Maccabeus is a York Rite Body within the Masonic Community. Members of the Order are called Valient Princes. Local bodies are termed Assemblages, whose principal officers are; Commander, Chancellor and Orator. Five or more Royal Arch Masons may form an Assemblage with the approval from the Grand Sovereign Prince Commander. The Order is non-sectarian and it confers two degrees, The Order of David and the Order of Judas Maccabeus. There is an Auxiliary Ladies organization that is associated with Assemblage #1.

Fraternally,
R.S. Ronald J. Bertie
Commander
V.P. Roy E. Huff
Reporter

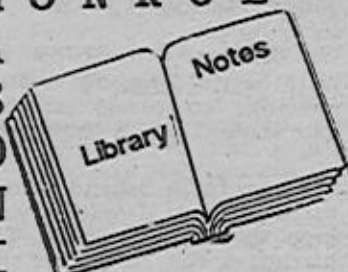
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Fraternally,
Donald J. Brugger
E.H.P.
P.H.P. Roy E. Huff
Reporter

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MONROE ASSEMBLY



By Sion M. (Ted) Honea

A few people are beginning to ask about the library and how to get to it. This interest is extremely gratifying, but unfortunately I am able to give only a somewhat discouraging answer to this point. In the first of these columns I noted that the collection has been moved into storage for the purpose of reorganization. During this reorganization it will be virtually inaccessible. I do not anticipate that the library will reopen until the Fall of 1989, and then only for limited hours. Nevertheless, I have been able to respond in some way to every request made so far. Do not hesitate to contact me if you have a need.

The reorganization I mentioned is extensive and time-consuming, but we have already made good progress. On behalf of the Service Bureau Brother Grant Romer of Valley Lodge undertook the job of transferring some delicate and valuable items to the Scottish Rite Museum of our National Heritage. This excellent museum will be able to care for, store, and display them properly.

A portion of the library's older reference volumes have been donated to the Grand Lodge Library and the new library at Utica. Since the Monroe Library is conceived as a practical circulating library, these more specific reference works were of limited use. In the Grand Lodge and Utica Libraries they will form a part of much more extensive reference collections in which they can be truly useful. In exchange we will receive items that are of far greater value to us.

The sale of duplicates brought in enough money to purchase about twenty new books, most of which have already arrived. These new books will help fill the gap in current literature that exists in the library. This purchase and the addition of some gifts of new books are greatly enhancing the potential of the collection for your use. As I began in the last column, I will continue to give notes on new acquisitions. This column presents three new purchases.
Books On Lodge Administration
Macoy's **Worshipful Master's Assistant**, Allen Roberts.

This is a standard handbook for the WM. It

**EAST ROCHESTER LODGE
No. 1020
2nd and 4th Tuesdays**

Brethren:
The first degree on November 8th was a rousing success. Gordon Neil presided in the East and most of the officers' chairs were filled by Senior Wardens from the Masters and Wardens Association. We were also honored by the presence of the District Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Dave Clarke. We started the evening with a beef stew dinner cooked by Flora Arthur and served by

contains a wealth of information for the conduct of a Lodge. Some of its information includes officers' duties, information on special ceremonies, Masonic jurisprudence, parliamentary procedure, typical committees and duties. The book is updated by Allen Roberts, who is a leading authority on Lodge administration and is the author of the following two books.

Key To Freemasonry's Growth, Allen Roberts.

This is a nuts and bolts book written in a very agreeable style on the subject of Lodge administration, organization, planning, and leadership as well as other topics. The central issue in this book as in all of Roberts' extensive writings on Lodge administration is leadership, how to develop it and make it effective. The book utilizes concepts and procedures that are widespread in professional management today. Modern management theory is, in fact, the source of the author's approach.

The Search for Leadership, Allen Roberts.

If the previous book was the nuts and bolts, this book is the philosophy of Lodge administration. Once again the key issue is leadership. Roberts points out that it is poor or ineffective leadership that causes the great majority of Masonry's current problems. The book is a collection of essays, speeches, and articles by Roberts. Most are on the issue of administration and leadership, but there are a few on other subjects.

The works of Allen Roberts have been very influential in our own Grand Jurisdiction. Many of his ideas have been incorporated in the Committee on Lodge Service's Leadership Correspondence Course. As mentioned above, Roberts' theories are derived from procedures of modern management. For this reason the study of them, or enrollment in the Correspondence Course can have a direct impact on a Brother's professional career. I personally can attest to this. At work I frequently draw on the experience and knowledge I have gained from the Correspondence Course.

These books are a valuable resource to Monroe County Masonry. It is the intent of the Monroe Masonic Service Bureau to serve you and to promote Freemasonry in the county. As part of the Service Bureau the library is trying to achieve the same goals. If you would like to use the library's resources, give me a call.

Fraternally,
Ted Honea
Librarian
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ladies of Lea Court Chapter, to whom we are deeply grateful. The meal was delicious. The evening was especially memorable for me because I believe it was the largest crowd I have ever opened Lodge for. It is quite a thrill to have all stations and places filled and to have ten or more sideliners. Don't forget the annual meeting on December 13.

Fraternally,
Pat McNenny
Master

Trestleboard
Dec 13
Annual Meeting

CHURCHVILLE LODGE
No. 667
2nd and 4th Wednesdays
December 4th,

Annual Communion Service
Breakfast To Follow At Our Lodge
9:00 A.M.

As the days grow shorter, so in turn, do the days left on what merely a year ago seemed to be unattainable wish list of Masonic events, meetings, special programs, more meetings, training programs, schools, more meetings, visitations, social activities, more meetings and just plain old fashioned fraternal fun. As I reflect back on this past year, I can hardly comprehend the number of hours Diane and I have spent living Masonry, yet I can honestly say that I do not begrudge a single minute spent learning the true perspective of those tenants of friendship, morality and brotherly love which are the trademarks of this great Fraternity.

As promised in my last article what follows are the details, as they exist to date, for our annual communion service and breakfast. The date and times for this event are Sunday, December 4, service to commence at 8:00 a.m. and breakfast to follow at the Lodge at 9:00 a.m. The location of the service is still a little "loosey goosey" based on the need to assure that we maintain the proper rotation amongst our local clergy. It is anticipated that the service will take place at the Union Cong. United Church of Christ on Main Street, however at the time of this writing I have not obtained official confirmation. I will communicate this info. via the call list, but, if or any reason you do not get contacted, please contact me at 359-6617 (work) or 293-3246 (home) and I will provide the required information. It is an extra special treat this year to have R.W. Bill Zufall consent to be our breakfast speaker. Bill is renowned for his outstanding speaking abilities and his unique visions of many of the more obscure perspectives of Freemasonry. Bro. Bill has assured me that this will be a "debut" talk since his archives were lost with his apron case a year ago. Brethren, please remember the time and effort that the clergy and speaker have committed to enable us to participate in this meaningful experience and make a special effort to not only attend, but to bring a friend, or neighbor to share with us.

On November 9th, I had the pleasure of presenting the DeWitt Clinton Award for Community Service to the United Troubadours for the hundreds of hours each member has donated in the past decade in order to bring the joy of music to those members of the community residing in skilled care facilities, senior citizens homes and community hospitals. This was a highlight of my tenure and represented the first time that Churchville Lodge has presented this award, which is the highest award given to a non-Masonic body in this Grand Lodges jurisdiction. A special touch was the attendance and comments of our Junior

CRAFTSMAN LODGE
No. 969
F.&A.M.
1st and 3rd Mondays

Merger Plans Are Progressing

Brethren:
This is my last letter as Master. Next year, Dave King has agreed to take over

Grand Warden, R.W. Ron Mertens who helped communicate to the craft, as well as the award recipients, the true meaning and sincere respect that accompany this prestigious honor. The evening included a dinner for the members and families of the Troubadours and our families, the presentation of the Grand Lodge "slide-show" in order to provide insight to the Troubadours and our families relative to the history and practices of the Fraternity, and a special impromptu concert by the Troubadours which was enjoyed by all in attendance. A very special thanks to Diane, Mom and Gramma for all their help in making the dinner such a big success. Also a big thanks to Leslie Kyper, for that delicious pan of lasagna, and to all those who helped see to the satisfaction of our Guests.

Just a reminder to all of the lovely ladies of our departed brethren (I hate the word widow) we look forward to our annual visitation and will be contacting you in the near future to see if we can work into your busy schedules for the benefit of stopping in to see how you're doing and to give you the details of this years luncheon.

Under sickness, I am sorry to have to report that Bro. Floyd Gridley has once again suffered from chest pains and at the time of this writing is at the Albion Hospital. I offer my prayers to Floyd and his family and hope that the problem is not a serious one and that we'll see Floyd's smiling face back in the northeast corner before the year's over.

I would like to thank this opportunity to thank all of the membership for letting me borrow the Lodge for these past twelve months, and I now eagerly anticipate assuming my role as an "enlightened" Past Master. To thank everyone for everything they have done would take up this entire paper, so just let me say THANK YOU and hope that each of you can truly feel just a piece of the heartfelt gratitude that you so richly deserve.

That's all for now folks. You know how the old saying goes (well, OK, I just made it up). When Dinner awaits and the deadline draws near, You just gotta say I'm out'a here.

Have a Happy and Healthy Holiday Season.

Fraternally,
Steven C. Daycock
Master
Churchville Lodge
#667

Trestleboard
Dec 4
Annual Communion Service
8:00 a.m.
Breakfast
9:00 a.m.

Dec 14
Election of Officers
7:30

as Master until the merger with Webster Lodge is a reality. While three times is more than enough, I want to thank everyone for their support. These are difficult times and we must all pitch in and help when asked. It is also important for the members to come out to Lodge and show that you care.

Coming up in December will be a second degree and the annual meeting with installation of officers. In January will be a third degree. In February, the widows' luncheon is planned, at which Mrs. Doud and Mrs. Coon will receive their widows' pin.

I understand that Webster Lodge is progressing with their end of the merger plans. This union should be most beneficial for both Lodges. We bring a respectable regular turnout and a good financial condition, while Webster has the facilities and a solid line. Let us all work together that we might become one. As in any marriage, each must give thoughtful consideration for the concerns and values of the other. This union can create one of the best and strongest Lodges in the two Districts, if we only work at it.

Brethren, look well to the East and give Dave King your support and your prayers.

Fraternally,
Vernon Goodrich
Master

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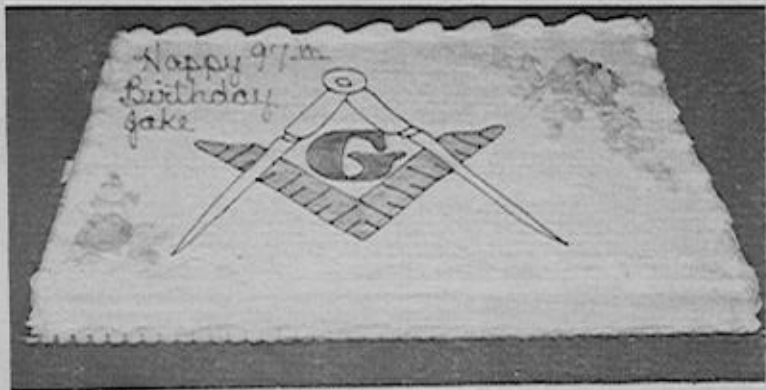
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Brother Jake Cutting Cakes Presented By his family and Lodge.



Brother Jake's Lodge

Brother Jake, Officers and members of Germania Lodge 722

Grotto Attended



Bro. Jake, Grotto Secretary, Ernest Wilson and Past Monarch William Hartwig, Jr.

Grand Lodge Officers Honor Brother Jake



Brother Jake and R.W. Ronald D. Mertens, Grand Junior Warden.



Left to Right...R.W. David C. Clarke, District Deputy Grand Master for the 1st Monroe District. R.W. Kenneth L. Myers, District Deputy Grand Master for the 2nd. Monroe District and Recorder of Damascus Shrine Temple, Edwin Dudley.

Scottish Rite Honors Brother Jake.



Left to Right...William Hartwig, Jr., Lawrence Geith, 32MSA, Thomas Paglia, Thrice Potent Master, Ill. Myron Doo, 33 Degree, Commander in Chief of the Valley of Rochester, N.Y., Matthew L. Gingold, 32 MSA and Harold Bolotin.

The Scottish Rite will Honor Bro. Jake by naming The 1988 Fall Re-Union and the 1989 Spring Re-Union in his name...The Jacob H. Vogel, 32 Degree MSA Class.

FLOWER CITY LODGE
No. 910
2nd Tuesday

Happy Holidays!

Greetings Brethren:

Our November meeting was the Second Degree. I wish to thank all line officers and members of Flower City for their support.

In October we paid a visit to Renovation Lodge in Albion, NY where we assisted in the raising of a Brother. We conferred the second section of the Third Degree in full costume. Much hard work was put into this effort and it paid off handsomely. Many thanks and compliments were received following the work.

I would like to give a "tip of the hat from the East" to: R.W. Bro. Phil Averbach and W. Bro. Gordon Dodge for their efforts in organizing and the cast of thousands for helping them help another Lodge in need.

This article will be my last as Master for Flower City. Looking back over the past months I find my feelings mixed. Mixed between highs and lows. The high were VERY high and the lows shallow.

High points must include the Lodges participation in Have a Heart - Buy a Heart '88 with the Masters and Wardens. We all helped raise over \$20,000 for the new house. The program on Stonehenge with W. Bro. Russell Herner also served to increase our participation in the Masonic Community and also to reach out into the community and discuss the role of Freemasonry in the past and present.

Low points include the struggle for solvency regarding the Downtown Temple and poor Lodge attendance.

Our next Regular Communication will be held on Tuesday, December 13, 1988, at 7:30 p.m. Annual Communication AND Official Visit.

Fraternally,

John T. Keller
Master

Trestleboard
Dec 13
Regular Meeting Annual
Communication & Official
Visit

Jan 10
Annual Installation of
Officers

Feb 1-13
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A big thank you to Webster Lodge for hosting the November meeting of Masters & Wardens. It was a pleasure to help them with our attendance at their fund raising dinner.

As we approach the end of another year, and as the current Masters prepare to turn over the administration and operation of their Lodges to new Masters, this Association prepares for the same "Changing of the Guard". We look with confidence to the new officers about to take charge. They have exhibited to the Craft their ability and willingness to lead the Monroe Districts to yet higher plateaus. We wish them success and pledge to them our support.

This administration wishes to thank all those who assisted in making 1988 the success that it has been. To single out any individual would be an injustice. So many did so much, and you know who you are, THANK YOU! Our hope has been that we have been able to create a better image for the Masters and Wardens Association both within the Craft and in the community.

If you will look in the main lobby of the downtown Temple you can see the poster that the Ronald McDonald House presented to us at the ground breaking ceremony.

Along with that is the certificate from Grand Lodge for that project. Enjoy them and be proud of what you accomplished!

NEXT MEETING - January 28th at the Downtown Temple. RSVP to Terry Wihlen at 461-1368 by Jan. 19th.

Fraternally,

GERMANIA LODGE No. 722

2nd and 4th Wednesdays

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had Masters and Past Masters of several other Lodges present. It was a very enjoyable evening and we wish to thank everyone for coming. I also neglected to comment in our last issue on the very nice party arranged by W. Harold Bollotin for Worshipful Brother Jake Vogel. Jake celebrated his 97th birthday and a very nice party was given him at the Penfield Nursing Home where he is in residence. Many came to celebrate with Jake and his family and a plaque was presented to him by Germania Lodge #722 for his many years of dedicated service. He was Master of Germania Lodge #722 in 1936. Happy Birthday Jake and our best wishes for many many more. The 3rd annual Symbolic Lodge Service Award Night will be held on December 1, 1988 at the Masonic Temple at 8 P.M. W. David N. Foster is our nominee from Germania Lodge #722. He has worked diligently for us and certainly is deserving of this award. Please come one and all to this night and honor Dave with a real big turnout. The year is quickly coming to an end and I would like to remind the brethren that the 1988/89

Brotherhood Fund Campaign has begun. The goals this year are especially ambitious considering the L.E.A.F. program. The work done at the Medical Research Centers benefits not only our Masonic family but all mankind. The brethren of Germania Lodge have always been very generous and I implore you to dig just a little deeper this year and contribute as generously as your circumstances will allow. I applaud you for your participation and ask those of you who have not participated in the past to please consider joining your brothers in this extremely worthy cause. I would also like to again remind the brethren who have not paid their dues to do so before year end. Please send them to our Secretary, John H. Foster, 97 Owassa Drive, Rochester, N.Y. 14622-1865. Hope to see you all in Lodge.

Fraternally,
Oscar H. Reber
Master

Trestleboard

Dec 1
Scottish Rite 3rd Annual Symbolic Lodge Service Awards Night

Dec 4
Finance Committee Meeting John Foster's house at 2:00 P.M.

Dec 14
Annual Reports-Election of Officers-Christmas Party with the Ladies

Dec 17
Deliver Christmas Baskets

Jan 11
Regular Meeting-Installation of Officers

ROCHESTER LODGE No. 660 2nd Monday

We Will NOT Meet During Jan. & Feb.

December 12th is the Lodge Summoned Meeting. The Election of the Officers for 1989 will take place, plus the installation of Officers. We hope to have a large attendance. I want to remind every member we do not meet during January and February. The next meeting will be March 13, 1989.

Bro. Harold Stafford has moved to the Masonic Home in Utica. He has been waiting for quite a while and I know he will be happy there.

Congratulations to the following brothers who celebrate their Birthday in December: Henry Darwent 12/2; Charles Adams 12/3; Rt Wor. Donald Leisten 12/6; our Master Wor. Robert Borden, Jr. 12/8; Donald Woodruff 12/9; John Robinson 12/10; Alfred Hogg 12/11; Earl Pearce 12/15; Harvey Feldman 12/17; Martin Feinberg 12/17; Theodore Hamilton 12/19; Max Barwald 12/24; Kenneth Dunning 12/24; Emanuel (Mike) Poulis who will be 94 years old 12/27; Leroy Wilson 12/27 and Ralph Rowlingson 12/31.

I wish all of our members a Merry Christmas or a Happy Hanukkah and all the best for 1989.

Fraternally,
George M. Adams
Secretary

WEBSTER LODGE

No. 538

1st and 3rd Thursdays

The Ladies Added A Touch Of Perfection

Brethren, The Second Degree was conferred on four Brothers on the 3rd of November. Everything went off nice and smoothly, even though there were last minute reassignments due to absences and business demands. Matter of fact, the highlight of the evening was the question and answers lecture at the end. I was delighted with the excellent performance by Ron Hollander on the answers and Mark Fenton on the questions. What else can you expect! Ron had a three day notice and Mark had at least ten minutes notice. Also, my thanks to all the Brothers and visitors that were on the side lines. A full house is always impressive. If you missed that degree, I hope you didn't miss the third on the 17th of November with our Senior Warden in the East. It is my sad duty to inform you of the passing of our Brother Bill Pellett who was called by the Supreme Architect of the Universe on October 14, 1988.

W: Ken Hutchinson is coming along nicely after his surgery and Bro. Tom Welch has the blood clots in his leg under control. I talked with Bro. Ken Watson who has been having problems, and he was glad to hear from someone from the Lodge. Why not give the Brothers a call and wish them a speedy recovery and let them know that you're thinking of them even though they can't make it to Lodge. Our Winter party steak roast and euchre tournament on the 5th of November was a thoroughly enjoyable evening! The salad bar was delightful, the steaks were cooked to perfection and the euchre bell was ringing all night long. My special thanks to the ladies of the kitchen: Dottie Chilton, Karen Chilton, Shirley Chilton and Noreen Murphy. It was the touch of perfection that the ladies added that made the steak roast and salad bar a gourmet's delight.

Our Junior Warden who happened to be on the winning team at the Interlodge euchre tournament plus a few other recent wins exercised the bragging rights as if there was no end in sight for his winning! First problem: he happened to exercise these rights on Willy Fuchs! Second problem: he forgot that he was in what is also known as THE TOURNAMENT. If you see Willy, you'll know what he's smiling about. If you see Bruce, you'll know why he's avoiding Willy. The big, big bragging rights go to Willy Fuchs and Charlie Braun, second place to (check this out! And

he was on the winning team at the Interlodge tournament) W: Bill Kuehne and Dorthy Schultz, third place to R:W: Vern Goodrich and W: Dave King and Fourth Place to Wayne Engbrecht and who ever he was carrying that evening.

What do you think of the paved lot on the west side of the Lodge? Nice isn't it? Willy couldn't wait, he jumped the gun and had it done rather than suffer through another Winter of pot holes and a hazardous condition in general. It was a hazard for the ladies of the Eastern Star, the older Brothers of both Lodges, the Royal Arch and actually every user of our facility. It was a must, it had to be done, and now we have to get together and pay for it. Any and all contributions to this much needed improvement would be greatly appreciated. In line with our supporting these capital improvements, Vance Collom reports that our Endowment Fund is moving along. If you want more info call him at 223-3113. Better yet send him and your Lodge your vote of confidence!

We have many things coming up this next month so take out your calendars and start marking down these dates: Webster Lodge's Christmas Party on the 4th of December at 2-5:00 PM. Please call Dick Patterson at 671-6943, reservations are not required but he has to know how many children are coming! Webster Fellowcraft Club Annual Dinner meeting on the 10th of December. Please call W: Bill Kuehne at 671-8774 or Wes Beard at 524-3815 for dinner reservations. Webster Lodge's Annual meeting on the 15th of December. Please call Bruce Chilton at 342-0562 for dinner reservations.

Fraternally,
Stoian Ellia
Master

Trestleboard
December 1
Official Visit-Formal
7:30 PM

December 7
Fellowcraft Annual Meeting
7:30 PM
Dinner
6:30 PM

December 4
Christmas Party
2:00-5:00 PM

December 15
Annual Meeting-Formal
7:30 PM
Dinner
6:30 PM

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Interlodge Euchre Tournament

1st Monroe Defeats 2nd Monroe

The results of 1988 Interlodge Euchre Tournament held on October 28, 1988 showed the 1st Monroe easily defeating the 2nd Monroe District. An Euchre Bell plaque was presented to D.D.G.M. Dave Clarke from D.D.G.M. Ken Myers at the Interfaith Breakfast. The plaque will be placed on the wall of the downtown Temple lobby. Proceeds went to the Masonic Service Bureau and the Brotherhood Fund. Individual winners were:

1st Place: Bruce Chilton & Bill Kuehne
Webster Lodge

2nd Place: Vern Goodrich & Glen Ide
Craftsman Lodge

3rd Place: Hal Miller & Fritz Friedrich
Seneca Lodge

4th Place: Bob Lauth & Ray Lauth
Ancient Craft Lodge

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Awards Night at Scottish Rite Germania, Genesee Falls Northfield-3rd Degree & Dinner Webster-Official Visit Hesperus-Open House	2	3 Seneca-Audit Meeting
4 Germania-Finance Committee at John Foster's home. Churchville-Communion Service & Breakfast Webster-Christmas Party Hanukkah	5 Valley-Dinner & 3rd Degree John Robertson-3rd Degree	6 Penfield-Official Visit Henrietta-Fellowcraft Charlotte-Corinthian-Open Meeting Yonnonadio-Meeting	7 Webster-Fellowcraft Meeting & Dinner Pearl Harbor Day	8	9 Wakan-Hubbard-Clinton Award (open to all) Cyrene Commandry Christmas Toast	10 Seneca-Breakfast @ Norfield York Rite College-Meeting @ Fairport Fidelity Triangle-Meeting Northfield Christmas Party
11 Wakan-Hubbard-Children Christmas Party Charlotte-Corinthian-Christmas Party	12 Wakan Hubbard-Annual Meeting Ancient Craft-Election Fairport Annual Meeting	13 Frank Simes-Communication Dinner (Tux) Henrietta-Annual Election & Installation Ionic Chapter-Annual Meeting Flower City-Reg.Meeting Official Visit East Rochester-Annual Meeting Yonnonadio-Past Masters Dinner	14 Germania-Annual Reports, Election, Christmas Party with Ladies	15 Hesperus-Election & Oyster Stew Night Northfield-Annual Meeting Webster-Annual Meeting & Formal Dinner	16 Cyrene Commandry-Special Meeting	17 Utica Trip Northfield
18	19 Valley Dinner & Election & Installation John Robertson-Election of Officers Etolian-Christmas Party	20 Frank Simes-Christmas Party Yonnonadio-Annual Communication Seneca-Annual Meeting Penfield-Election Henrietta-Fellowcraft Charlotte-Corinthian-Annual Meeting	21 Ancient Craft-3rd Degree & Dinner Charlotte-Corinthian-2nd Sec. 3rd Degree at Ancient Craft Etolian-Officers Meeting	22	23	24
25 Christmas	26	27	28 Joint Investiture Charlotte-Corinthian	29	30	31

SHRINE LUNCHEON CLUB



Meets Every Monday
12:00 Noon
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December Chairman - James R. Spencer

Dec 5
Chief Rabban - Arthur L. Hill
Looking Ahead to Damascus Shrine 1989

Dec 12
Robert Pettit - Executive Dir Service Bureau
Paul Rogers - Editor Monroe Masonic News
Election of Officers for 1989

Dec 19
Winter Party
Lake Shore Country Club

Dec 26
No Meeting

The Annual Christmas Luncheon of the Shrine Lunch Club will be held December 19, 1988 at 12:00 noon at the Lake Shore Country Club, 1165 Greenleaf Rd.

There are three choices for lunch at \$9.00 each, this includes tax and gratuity.

Make checks payable to the Shrine Lunch Club and mail,

them to Arthur Maupin, 10 Ross St., Rochester, NY 14615. For telephone reservations you may call Jim Spencer 227-2419.

Reservations deadline is December 12, 1988 and all reservations made shall be considered paid for. All officers have tickets.

Please make _____ reservations for the Annual Shrine Club Christmas luncheon on Monday December 19, 1988 at the Lake Shore Country Club, 12:00 noon.

- _____ Boneless Chicken Breast Cordon Bleu
- _____ Roast Sirloin of Beef
- _____ Broiled Fillet of Sole

My check of \$ _____ is enclosed. _____ Signature

1st Monroe District The Masonic Brotherhood Fund

"And now abideth Faith, Hope, Charity, these three: But the greatest of these is Charity." 1 Corinthians 13:13

In last month's article I discussed our Medical Research Laboratory, this month I'd like to highlight our Masonic Home. In our Grand Master's message he

stated, "I encourage all Master Masons within the State to visit both the Masonic Hall in New York City and the Home at Utica whenever possible. As our Laboratory fights to find ways to lengthen life, the Home is there to receive and care for those who indeed live longer."

The movement to provide a Home for aged Masons and their families originated in 1842 when a one dollar donation was made to establish a fund for this purpose. In 1889, the Grand Lodge had accumulated enough funds to warrant the starting of the project and to that end a

committee was appointed. This site comprises approximately 340 acres of ground. The first building to be erected was the Administration Building. The cornerstone was laid May 21, 1891, and the building was dedicated April 5, 1892. The first guest was admitted May 1, 1893. At dedication, then Grand Master, MW: John W. Vrooman, said, "Let us rise with each other to make it a Home. With all the endearments surrounding the sacred retreat."

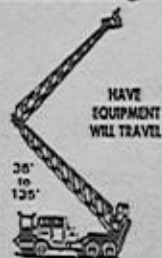
Today there are more than fifteen buildings to house the sick and infirm, the married couples, widows, and widowers; house the maintenance shop, provide religious services, etc. In 1965 the original administration building was demolished and a new Administration Building erected in its place and dedicated in 1966. This Home and its buildings exemplify Masonry's greatest tenet, Charity. They give to every Mason the honor and opportunity to be his brother's keeper.

As we approach the Holiday season let us remember our Brethren. Do you recall, that in 1842 a one dollar donation started our Home? Let's all do what we can to see that our Home continues to serve our Brethren that need its services and facilities. Together, we can! Happy Holidays!

Fraternally,
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