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HILFIKER SHOW REALM OF THE EAGLES FEB. 3 AT AUDITORIUM THEATER



By the time this issue of Monroe Masonic News goes to press Brother Earl L. Hilfiker will be somewhere in the southwest working on a new film. Since we last heard from him he has made another 5,000 mile tour of speaking engagements, signed a television contract for world wide showing of some of the subjects we have seen on the screen of our Auditorium Theatre. He has done the final editing and Realm of the Eagles is ready for our show here on Saturday, February 3rd. Those who have been privileged to preview Realm of the Eagles tell us that it is one of the finest of all of Earl's film productions to date. For superb scenic splendor, unusual closeups and dramatic action of wildlife subjects this is a travel and adventure film that is of exceptional interest.

It is a matter of record that the Hilfiker Show, Quebec Wilderness Country on

February 3rd, drew the largest crowd that ever attended any travel and adventure show in Rochester and the only reason there were not more is because there were not enough seats to hold them. A large part of the success of this show is due to the planning and efforts of Union Star Lodge #320 of Honeoye Falls, New York which is sponsoring the event again this year.

REALM OF THE EAGLES is the title, The Auditorium Theatre, 875 Main Street East is the place, 8:15 P.M. February 3rd, the time. The donation again is \$1.50.

This is an event you will not want to miss. Brother Earl L. Hilfiker has a new show and his feature actors are the bald eagle, sandhill crane, trumpeter swan, antelope, elk, moose, big-horn sheep, mountain goat and especially bears, both black and grizzly. Bring your family and friends.

Annual Interlodge Fellowship Committee Awards Presented

The annual Fellowship Banquet was held on Nov. 17. This concluded the Inter-Lodge Fellowship Committee year. All the Fellowship Trophies and Grand Lodge awards were presented to the winners who were present. The most enthusiastic Trophy winner was 15 year old Ricky Dean, son of Chester Dean, winners of the Father-Child Division of the Trap and Skeet Shoot.

The disappointment of the evening, was the attendance of only four Senior Wardens. The Committee needs the support of each and every Senior Warden, when he becomes Master of his Lodge, The Committee hopes the new Masters will take time to add a note about the committee in their monthly news letters, and see that his new representatives are active in Committee work.

Remember we are your committee and we cannot serve you without your support!

I feel we have had an excellent year. We have been able to add two new activities to our growing list of Fellowship activities. (Camporee and Trap and Skeet Shoot). We also have received entries in the Photography and Fishing contest.

The following list of Chairman and Committeemen have worked hard and earnestly to make the Fellowship activities a success. I would like to extend my own personal gratitude.

Golf Tournament Chairman, Albert Abbazia, Committeeman, Don Roberts.



First place winners in Inter-Lodge Trap & Skeet Shoot - Father & Son Division - Left to Right: Chester Dean, Chairman Charles Jutsum, Ricky Dean.

Camporee Chairman, Delbert Lock; Committeemen, James Fordham and Howard Garbutt.

Trap & Skeet Shoot Chairman, Charles Jutsum; Committeemen, Don Roberts, Joe Mears, Bob Thompson, Bob Meire.

Bowling Chairman, Donald Everts; Committeeman, Vincent DeSessa.

Photography Chairman, David Dean.

Fishing Chairman, Howard Garbutt.

Publicity Chairman, Jim McGarigle.

Fraternally,

Howard Garbutt, Chairman Inter-Lodge Fellowship Committee, 1st and 2nd Monroe Districts.



Bro. James Craib receiving M.W. Clarence J. Henry perpetual Golf Tournament Trophy from Chairman Albert Abbazia.

MASONIC SERVICE BUREAU

Each of us in the Masonic Service Bureau extend to you and those you love a very happy, healthy, and prosperous New Year. We have been very blessed during the past year and we hope and pray those great blessings will continue.

We want to be of service and help anyone who comes to our door, and bring as much happiness to others as is possible. There are so many, especially our older citizens, who are alone, lonesome or neglected, and to those we have special feeling. There are the sick and afflicted in some way and they are most worthy and surely deserve our loving consideration.

Odell B. Kelly Exec Dir

Dear Brethren:

For most lodges, the current year will be history when this issue of the Monroe Masonic News goes to press. For your District Deputy Grand Masters the year is but half over. It has been an interesting and exciting first half in many ways. Without exception we have enjoyed the friendship, hospitality and courtesy of each lodge. We are grateful for the cooperation of all of the members which has made our work pleasant.

As this year goes into the records, I would like to give you my reaction to the fall schedule as it pertained to my activities. First of all, I broadened my acquaintanceship across Masonry. Masonry is people, and only through active participation at all levels can the full benefits of membership be enjoyed. Second, while Masonic programs among lodges followed a general pattern, some lodges appear to be able to make more of a given activity than others. This may be "esprit de corps", or more members with something in common other than Masonry or perhaps leaders with a new twist to old procedures. Third, attendance is still a problem reflecting not only the effects of competitive media, but the fact that Masonry doesn't seem to be as dominant a part of our lives as it once was. Fourth, the limited amount of lodge work I have seen is good, and in general, the officers are proud of their work and the memberships at large are proud of their officers. Fifth, the occasion of an Official Visit is not a drawing card, but by contrast, degree work is. This should tell us something of the type of meeting which might be more effective. And sixth, the overall Masonic Organization in Monroe County is tremendous. There are many resources available to cover every aspect of Masonic life. More thought should be given to supplementing our Masonic activities with and through these many resources.

Whatever my impressions, I am happy to have had the opportunity to work with the 1967 Masters and I wish them well in the next phase of their Masonic career whatever it might be. To the new "officers elect" go my hearty congratulations and best wishes. I am looking forward to working with the 1968 Masters and to re-visiting in an unofficial capacity, all of the lodges of the First Monroe District.

A Happy and Successful New Year to All.

Fraternally and sincerely,
Clinton S. Ballard, D.D.G.M., First Monroe District

CLINTON S. BALLARD
D.D.G.M.
1st MONROE DISTRICT



Dear Brethren:

With the coming year, each of the several Lodges in the two Monroe Districts will have elected and appointed new line officers for 1968, and some Lodges will have already installed these Officers. This is a very important time for a Lodge because the new Master and his officers are just beginning a new venture and are usually treading on unsteady ground for a short time. It is then that the new officers need the solid support of the entire membership of the Lodge. So Brethren, let us all actively support our Lodge. Attend Lodge meetings, stand behind the Master of your Lodge and support his programs, and show that Masonry in the two Monroe Districts is going forward. No Master can have a successful year without your active support. An active Lodge not only has a good Master but a good line of officers and enthusiastic members.

In planning Masonic activities, many Lodges and Concordant Bodies formulate their plans well in advance. Usually no problems are encountered because, by proper advance notices, the Brethren can plan on these events and work other activities in separately. Sometimes, however, several

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ROBERT P. ZABEL
D.D.G.M.
2nd MONROE DISTRICT



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LET'S GO VISITING

JANUARY 1968

- 2 - Yonnonadio - Installation of Officers.
- 2 - Charlotte - Installation of Officers.
- 2 - Clio - Installation of Officers.
- 2 - Penfield Union - Installation of Officers.
- 3 - Oatka-Fellowcraft Meeting.
- 4 - Genesee Falls - Installation of Officers.
- 5 - Monroe Commandery - Regular Conclave.
- 8 - Fairport - Installation of Officers.
- 8 - Rochester - Installation of Officers.
- 8 - Wakan - Installation of Officers.
- 9 - Flower City - Installation of Officers and Annual Banquet.
- 9 - F.L. Simes - Installation of Officers.
- 9 - Penfield Union - Fellowcraft Meeting.
- 9 - Fame - Installation of Officers.
- 10 - Germania - Installation of Officers.
- 10 - Ancient Craft - Installation of Officers.
- 10 - Oatka - Installation of Officers.
- 11 - James A. Hard Post - Regular Meeting.
- 12 - Cyrene Commandery - Annual Conclave.
- 13 - Masters & Wardens Association - Winter Party-Logans.
- 14 - James A. Hard Post-Canandiagua Hospital.
- 15 - Corinthian Temple - Installation of Officers.
- 15 - J.A. Robertson - Installation of Officers.
- 15 - Masonic Stamp Club-Regular Meeting.
- 16 - Yonnonadio - First Degree.
- 16 - Charlotte - First Degree.
- 16 - F.L. Simes - Fellowcraft Meeting.
- 18 - Germania - Fellowcraft Rehearsal.
- 18 - Genesee Falls - First Degree.

- 19 - Monroe Commandery-Public Installation of Officers.
- 21 - James A. Hard Post - Installation of Officers.
- 22 - Fairport - Regular Meeting.
- 22 - Rochester - Open Meeting.
- 23 - Yonnonadio - Fellowcraft Club Meeting - Election of Officers.
- 23 - F.L. Simes - Third Degree.
- 23 - Fame - First Degree.
- 24 - Germania - Business Meeting.
- 24 - Ancient Craft - New flag dedication by James A. Hard Post.
- 26 - Past Masters Supper Club - Installation of Officers.
- 26 - Cyrene Commandery-Public Installation of Officers.

FOURTH ANNUAL TRIP MADE TO MASONIC HOME AT UTICA ON DEC. 16, 1967

Another year and we have made our fourth annual pilgrimage to the Masonic Home at Utica and visited the nineteen brethren and ladies who are guests from Monroe County. They were so pleased to see someone from home and this is rapidly becoming a big event for them to look forward to each year. It is also a big source of happiness and satisfaction to those who make the trip. A bus load, forty one men and ladies, plus two others who drove, comprised the group this year under the chairmanship of R:W: Harry H. Kennedy. We visited each one there, taking at least one gift to each and when we departed to return home, we all felt a deep source of satisfaction in having spread a little sunshine into the lives of some of our senior members and ladies. Many, many thanks go to the lodges and individuals who contributed to this visitation and we hope that it will continue and more and more brethren and ladies will join it in the years to come.

Odell B. Kelly

D.D.G.M. ZABEL *Cont. from P. 1* large and important events may be scheduled on the same date, and the Brethren who could and would like to attend both events have to make a choice. Thus, neither event will be the success it should be.

It has been proposed that the Masonic Service Bureau act as a clearing house for activity dates. A Lodge or Concordant Body could contact the Bureau before making their plans to determine activities already scheduled. They then could select a date that might be more suitable to a majority of their members. A Lodge usually knows the interests of their active members. By considering these interest and programs already scheduled, the activity planned will be more successful. Of course, once the Lodge or Concordant Body has set its plans, these could be given to the Bureau to help other organizations. To be really successful, all organizations should follow this procedure. It is worth trying; the Masonic Service Bureau is very willing to cooperate. And now, in closing, I wish to extend the Best of Holiday Greetings to all and my sincere congratulations to all new Lodge officers.

Sincerely and fraternally,
 Robert P. Zabel, D.D.G.M.,
 Second Monroe District



A few of the Trophy winners receiving awards at 1967 Fellowship Banquet - Left to Right: J. Mears, H.D. Airy, G. Lind, J. Craib, A. Abbazia, R. Dean, C. Dean, T. Dunn and W. Ash.



Planning Winter Party - Left to Right: Wor. Bro. Dick McConnell, Wor. Bro. Wally Losinger, Wor. Bro. Bob Sell and Wor. Bro. Ray "M" Ring.

THE 1967 MASTERS AND WARDENS ASSOCIATION COMPLETE PLANS FOR THE ANNUAL WINTER PARTY JAN. 13, 1968

The Masters and Wardens Association Winter Party will be held on January 13th at Logan's on Scottsville Rd. W: Bro. Ray Ring, Chairman, reports that the plans are complete and a gala evening is in the making. Starting with a social hour at 6:30 the evening will feature a Roast Sirloin of Beef Dinner with all the trimmings at 7:30 to be followed by music for your dancing and listening pleasure from 9:00 to 12:00. The Junior Wardens elect will be introduced to the Master and Wardens Association by their Masters elect and the immediate Past Masters will say their farewells. Its tradition. Masters, Masters-Elect and Wardens this is the one party you won't want to miss.

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Dear Brother Herman

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

Q. I have been a Mason for a number of years. I am now a confirmed atheist. The Bible to me is a very ordinary book filled with simple-minded legends, and is not even great literature. Shakespeare ranks far higher in literary rank. Now, where do I stand with my Masonry?

A. As you well know, an applicant for the degrees of Masonry must affirm that he believes in a Supreme Being (and in the immortality of the soul). When you presented your petition, you believed in God, and therefore made no false statement on your petition. You then received the degrees, and became a member of your Lodge.

Once you have fulfilled the qualifications, physical and moral, and have become a Mason, you remain a Mason, and a member of your Lodge unless or until you are separated from membership by your resignation, i.e. by dimit, or by unaffiliation by your Lodge for non-payment of dues, or by expulsion by Grand Lodge following conviction at a Trial for commission of a Masonic offense.

The Handbook of Masonic Law lists the actions which constitute a Masonic offense. They all involve some overt action, or refraining from some action: Ex. Conviction in a civil court of a felony, adultery, habitual drunkenness, improper use of blackball larceny, refusal to ballot on a petition, etc. Ceasing to believe in a Supreme Being or in the immortality of the Soul, or in the validity of the golden ruse, or any other Masonic principle is a matter of one's conscience, and does not constitute a Masonic offense.

Your own conscience must, therefore, tell you whether, in the face of your present convictions, you can continue to be a member of a Masonic Lodge or other Masonic body whose fundamental principle is Belief in a Supreme Being, and which places the Bible upon its altar.

I shall not attempt to give you my basic reasons for believing in a Supreme Being. You have undoubtedly read and thought about them, and deny their validity.

I would, however challenge your derogatory comparison of the Bible with Shakespeare. I have a profound regard for the works of Shakespeare. They are great drama, great literature. But one characteristic permeates them. Except for hazy inferences, they lack morals. Iago ruins a beautiful love, and turns a fine person into a murderer who slays his own devoted wife. Macbeth murders his benefactor, and then slays two others to throw the blame on them. Romeo and Juliet, two fine young lovers, die. Julius Caesar is slaid and Brutus, who is inveigled into the conspiracy out of love of country, himself finally dies, etc. etc.

The Bible, first of all, does include, in my judgement, some of the world's greatest literature. Isaiah, Jeremiah, Micah, Job, the Psalms, Ecclesiastes, the Epistles, etc. etc. are great literature. But ever more important, they teach great moral lessons: Love thy neighbor as thyself. Love the foreigner (the non-jew) for ye were foreigners in the land of Egypt. Justice, justice shalt thou seek. Let justice roll down as the waters and righteousness as a mighty stream. What does the Lord require of thee but to do justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with Thy God. They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks, and there shall be no more wars. Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you. Do not condemn, and you shall not be condemned. Is not this the fast which I desire, that ye distribute thy bread to the hungry, and when thou seest the naked that thou clothe him, and that thou hide not thyself from thy fellow human being. I could cite hundreds more like these. What a fine world this would be if we all lived up to these great moral teachings contained in the Bible.

These teachings serve for me as the great goal, the great beacon toward which we strive. We move slowly toward that ultimate goal, sometimes even fall back, and have to start over again. But if each of us tried in our small way to move a little toward that goal of moral excellence depicted in the Bible, the sum total would bring us nearer to "peace on earth, good will to all men."



MRS. MYRTLE STOUT

Our ever popular and ever smiling "Myrtle", former "Shepherdess of the Lot" and friend of everybody who uses the Masonic Temple has received a well deserved promotion after long and faithful years of service. She was in charge of the parking

lot for about thirty years, starting in 1934, and for the last three years has been a member of the cleaning brigade in the Temple. She will now be in charge of that brigade and everyone can be guaranteed that everything will be spic and span under Myrtle's direction. Myrtle is now House-keeper of the Temple Civic Center.

She and "Moon" were married in 1924 and she has been his Shepherdess ever since. She is a member of Rochester Chapter #314, O.E.S. and Bethany White Shrine.

Myrtle, we all wish you well and many wishes for a happy and healthy new year to you and yours.

MASONIC STAMP CLUB

The next meeting of the Masonic Stamp Club of Rochester is set for the third Tuesday of January, at 8:00 P.M. in the Club's meeting rooms at the Masonic Temple. This is a change in the usual meeting night of the Club, so please mark your calendar. This will be January 15, 1968.

With a good turn-out in attendance, the highlight of the November meeting turned out to be our Benefit Auction. A good deal of material changed hands and the bidding was often lively and lengthy, stimulated perhaps by the knowledge that a percentage of the proceeds was intended for the Masonic Brotherhood Fund. The Club was able to forward a check in the amount of \$11.25 to the Masonic Brotherhood Fund.

Activities such as this tend to make the monthly meetings of the Masonic Stamp Club both lively and interesting. Add plenty of good "stampic" discussion to the genial good fellowship and you have what certainly amounts to a pleasant evening, well-spent.

This is your Club; open to membership of all Masons. Plan to get to the next meeting on January 15, 1968 at 8:00 P.M. Call the Secretary, A.O. Busch at 328-0304 for further information.

PAST MASTERS SUPPER CLUB INSTALLATION MEETING

The Past Masters Supper Club will meet for dinner at 6:30 P.M., January 26th, at the Moose Club, 441 East Avenue.

Following dinner, the newly elected officers will be installed: President, W:B: John A. Moll; Vice President, W:B: Harry C. Kittredge, Secretary-Treasurer, W:B: Lawrence A. Polley for the year 1968.

A very good speaker, Bro. Kenneth Courtney will talk on the mechanics and procedures of the Monroe County Legislature. Bro. Courtney is President of this organization.

All 1967 Masters are cordially invited, and reservations can be made by telephone to W:B: L.A. Polley, 671-1208.

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Brethren:
As 1967 draws to a close, so comes to an end an experience I shall always remember and treasure. It has been truly rewarding, and I am grateful to have had this opportunity. My predecessors tell me that it is not quite over. I will still be serving as trustee, and will assist the Worshipful Master as all Past Masters have done for me. I also feel I can say with confidence that your splendid help and cooperation will carry on for many years to come as it has in the past.

Our D.D.G.M. Robert P. Zabel accompanied by R:W: W. Gavitt were received on December 5. He delivered an excellent message and it was of great interest to the goodly number of brethren who attended. As these messages partially refer to recommendations of ways to improve masonry, you should be proud of the fact that very few of these concern Charlotte Lodge.

My congratulations go out to Bro. Marv Williams our Master Elect, and all our officers on their election and appointments. As one takes a long, thoughtful look at these men, you will rest assured that Charlotte Lodge is in good hands for many years to come. As for my feelings, it has been a pleasure to work with them, and no Master could ever be prouder of his officers' line.

In closing I remind you, support your Master, your Lodge, live according to its teachings, try to encourage others to understand our principles, attend your meetings, and compare the feeling that exists in a lodge room with the unrest of the world that surrounds it. You will find there is no comparison.

Fraternally,
Walter Greenfield, Master

TRESTLEBOARD

Jan. 2 - Installation of Officers.

Jan. 16 - First Degree - First Class.

Feb. 6 - Open

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

As of our closing date for news, the following was reported:

Bro. W.J. Strasser lost his father. Bro. F. Cornell is home. Bro. R. Bromstrup is in St. Mary's Hospital. Bro. J. Davenport is in the Pavilion Nursing Home.

Our Shut-ins include: Bro. R. Tullius is again in Strong Memorial Hospital. Bro. C. Sweet at 995 Ridge Rd. West, Webster. Bro. G. Allen at 99 Rand Street. Bro. E. Hillfinger at Chimney's Nursing Home.

LODGE NEWS

D.D.G.M. R:W: R.P. Zabel accompanied by R:W: W. Gavitt made his official visit to our lodge on December 5 with 60 members present. Bro. Zabel outlined the desires and programs of our

M:W: Grand Master.

IN MEMORIUM

Bro. Sydney F. Haywood, Raised July 7, 1944. He was called to the Supreme Architect on November 25, 1967 at Hollywood, Florida. A masonic service was conducted by Browler Memorial Lodge No. 24 at Hollywood.

Bro. Ross W. Wilmier, Raised March 18, 1958. He was called to the Supreme Architect on December 13, 1967. A masonic funeral service was conducted by the members of Charlotte Lodge.

ROCHESTER LODGE

No. 660

2nd and 4th Mondays

From the Master-Elect

It is with a feeling of deep humility and gratitude for the honor of being elected Master of our Lodge for 1968 that I look forward to next year. In recognition of the trust and faith of my brethren that I would preserve the traditions of our fraternity and our lodge, I promise brethren that I will not, in any way, demean the dignity of that position, that I will do everything possible to preserve the standards set by previous Masters of our Lodge and to make every effort to make our community a better place in which to live.
John Waldock

December 11, 1967 the annual meeting of Rochester Lodge #660 was held in the Lodge room in the Masonic Temple.

The elected Officers are: Worshipful Master, John H. Waldock; Senior Warden, Gordon C. Wilson; Junior Warden, Louis J. Fonte; Secretary, Wor. Bro. Kenneth Moore; Treasurer, Worshipful Bro. Dr. C. Dan Jamieson; Trustee, Worshipful Bro. Frank W. Fulreader.

The appointed Officers are: Senior Deacon, Donald Leisten; Junior Deacon, Merritt Sweet; Sr. Master of Cer., Willard Garrett; Jr. Master of Cer., George Doris; Steward, Richard Zorn; Steward, Gotthard Wicke; Marshall, Roy Campbell.

The annual reports of the Secretary-Treasurer, and Trustees were read, approved, and filed with the records.

The budget for 1967 was reviewed and with a plus balance for the year was considered to be a good indication of the effort made during the year by everyone concerned with arranging the finances of the lodge to prevent a deficit for the year.

TRESTLEBOARD

Jan. 8 - Installation of Officers.

Jan. 22 - Open Meeting.

Feb. 12 - First Degree.

Note: Any petitions to be presented must be brought in by the Jan. 22nd meeting.

Feb. 26 - Open meeting.

Mar. 11 - Second Degree.

Mar. 25 - Third Degree.

The degree will be conferred by the Shrine Degree Team.

After the wonderful reception by the brethren when the Shrine Degree Team conferred the degree last year, we decided to invite them again. There were about 125 present in the lodge room when the degree was conferred in 1967. We hope that we have even more this year. We are budgeting money for the lunch in anticipation of a festive fraternal evening.

GERMANIA LODGE

No. 722

2nd and 4th Wednesdays

Dear Brethren:

As I am writing this message I am recalling all the events that happened this past year. I thank you all for making it possible for me to fulfill an obligation that I did not think I could achieve a number of years ago.

It does not seem possible that a full year has gone by since my appointment into the office of Master of Germania Lodge. The knowledge and experience which I received cannot be duplicated. I thank the brethren and officers for their support in making this a successful year. Without your help it could not have been possible.

On January 10, Russell Lane is to be installed as new Master of Germania Lodge. Come out and give him your support. Fraternal yours,
Joseph Minas, Master

IN MEMORIUM

Bro. William L. Flad - Initiated November 1, 1916, Passed, November 22, 1916, Raised, December 6, 1916, Died, November 22, 1967.

Bro. Robert C. Bareis - Initiated January 22, 1947, Passed, February 12, 1947, Raised March 12, 1967, Died November 17, 1967.

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

Clarence Smith, home, 7 Herbert St.; Walter Lang, home, 345 Magnolia St.; James Kemp, home, 28 Carl St.; Lyell Adams, home, 64 Earl St.; James Pickworth, home, 185 Ripplewood Dr.; William Lauweret, home, Wisconsin St.; Karl Gail, home, 93 Roth St.; Clarence Willink, 53 Mervin Ave.; Julius Carper, 9125 Gibson St., Los Angeles, Calif.; Frank Flemming, 139 LaRose Ci Lamese, Calif.; Frank Walzer, 38 Loderdale Rd.

ODDS AND ENDS FROM THE SOUTH

W: Bro. Wayne Cowell and I thank all the brethren that contributed to the Children Christmas Party. It was successful, the children enjoyed themselves immensely.

On Jan. 10 Installation Night, there will be a dinner at 6:30 P.M. For reservations call Joseph Minas at 671-1917 or Russell Lane at 381-8549.

COMING EVENTS

Jan. 10 - Installation Night. Dinner at 6:30 P.M.

Jan. 18 - Fellowcraft Reheresal.

Jan. 24 - Business Meeting.

Feb. 14 - Business Meeting.

FAIRPORT LODGE

No. 476

2nd and 4th Mondays

The Officers and brothers of Fairport Lodge extend Season's Greetings to one and all, for a very, very Merry Christmas and a Happy and prosperous New Year.

The usual annual Poinsettias were distributed on December 17th to the shut-ins of our Lodge under the supervision of the Worshipful Master Robert Fell.

Newly elected Officers for 1968 will be installed on January 8th.

January 22nd, Fairport Lodge will be privileged to view a brand-new film on the Utica Home. Sr. Deacon Bro. Roger Scott has gone to great lengths to obtain this film that we may be one of the first to see it, so don't miss it.

We begin our Ritualistic work on February 8th when the Second Degree will be conferred on a class of four candidates. Fraternally,
Benjamin Whitenight
Master Elect.

CLIO LODGE

No. 779

1st and 3rd Tuesdays

Brethren:

By the time this issue reaches you, I will have been replaced by the incoming Master. I have felt great pride and enjoyment in serving you as Master this past year and my only hope is that perhaps I have made some small contribution toward the progress and growth of the Lodge. I have tried, to the best of my ability, to obtain some sort of concrete progress as far as our needs for a new Temple is concerned. The building committee has met with many obstacles in the course of the year, but I feel certain that with everyone's cooperation in the future, we will find ourselves in our own permanent quarters. I'm sure that my feelings are shared by all members.

And so I wish to express my great appreciation to all of you for your very fine assistance and patience in helping me to meet with and deal with the various problems that have come up during my reign of office. It has been a very appreciative and gratifying year. I know that you all will stand behind your new Master in all his trials and tribulations.

Also, I sincerely hope that you and your families had a very enjoyable and healthy holiday season.

Fraternally,
Leland B. Hendershot

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

W:B: Earle Maynard and Bro. Stuart Collamer.

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FLOWER CITY LODGE
No. 910
2nd Tuesday

TRESTLEBOARD

Dec. 31 - Annual Childrens Party.

Jan. 9 - Installation of 1968 Officers, preceded by Annual Banquet.

As usual our installation meeting will be preceded by our Annual Dinner, to be held in the Masonic Temple on Tuesday, January 9th. Tickets may be obtained from any of the officers, and members are requested to make early reservations. Sr. Warden Stanley M. Friedman will be installed as Master for the ensuing year. Lets have a large turnout and start Bro. Friedman out with our support and best wishes.

Following tradition, we are publishing our own Flower City News for the Installation Banquet which will contain the Masters Message and the schedule of coming events for the rest of the year.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Bro. & Mrs. Ezra Frankel upon their celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary.

To Bro. & Mrs. Abe Barnett, El Paso, Texas, upon the marriage of one granddaughter, and upon becoming Great Grandparents with the birth of a son to another granddaughter.

To Bro. & Mrs. Irving A. Brent on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Jeffery Todd.

To Bro. & Mrs. Louis Herzog on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Tama Lee.

To Bro. & Mrs. Julius H. Michaels on the engagement of their daughter, Jaon Helen, to Mr. Edward Alan After.

To Bro. & Mrs. Philip Newert on the engagement of their daughter, Adrienne, to Mr. Martin N. Levine, and to the grandparents Bro. & Mrs. Henry Neivert.

To Bro. & Mrs. Samuel Stiles who will celebrate their 49th Wedding Anniversary on January 12th.

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

We extend our sympathy to Wor. Albert E. Goldman upon the passing of his father.

Bro. David Rittenberg of Miami Beach, Fla. is ill and would appreciate hearing from you.

Wor. David Schoenberg, Bro. Myron Kolko and Bro. Lester Applebaum are on the recovery list and could also use some "good cheer."

At the present time the Lodge has 3 teams in the Masonic League which bowls at Clover Lanes on Wednesday nite. If you would like to be a regular or a sub contact R:W: Phil Averbach. Flower City #3 a team composed of Bros. Alan Libghid, Alan Weinberg, Philip Newert, Harvey Goldstein, and Wor. Manny Lazerson is at this writing in first place.

ANCIENT CRAFT LODGE
No. 943

2nd and 4th Wednesdays



Brethren:

My year as Master has been one which will always be remembered by me as a high point in my life. I wish to thank all who have served with me for all their assistance.

My congratulations to the new Officers and hope they have a fine and successful year.

The installation of the new Officers will be on January 10th. Try to make this meeting one of the most impressive meetings of the year.

To all the brothers I want to say Happy New Year and hope to see you in lodge supporting our new Master. Fraternally, Bernard L. Noll

COMING EVENTS

Jan. 10 - Installation of Officers.

Jan. 24 - New Flag Dedication under the direction of the James A. Hard Post #18, Masonic War Veterans.

PENFIELD UNION LODGE
No. 154

1st and 3rd Tuesdays

Brethren:

We all are looking forward to another successful year in our warm and friendly lodge. We have planned a number of interesting programs and we hope that all of our members will participate to the fullest.

The interest shown by all of us and the fair share of the work we do will assure us a healthy program this year. We need your help, your attendance and your abilities. Fraternally, John De Visser, Sr. Warden

Jan. 2 - Installation of Officers. Dinner 6:30 P.M. Meeting 8:00 P.M.

Jan. 9 - Fellowcraft, 8:00 P.M.

Jan. 16 - Business Meeting 8:00 P.M.

R:W: Clint Ballard, D.D. G.M. will present 50 year pins to Brothers John P. Hartfeld and Charles L. Harris.

The following Brothers will receive their 50 year pins in the fall: John Harold Kitchen, Lloyd V. Wood, Oliver Heiber, Lewis R. DeRitter, Sr., Paul Ruster.

Brotherhood Fund Chairman for 1968 is Brother Carl L. Fischer, Jr. Co-Chairmen are Howard V. Bonehill, Fred S. Radcliff.

Remember this date - March 16th, 1968. The Penfield Masonic Ball will be held on that date at the Green Lantern Inn, Fairport, N.Y. W: Ivan P. Forslin, Chairman.

CORINTHIAN TEMPLE LODGE
No. 805

1st and 3rd Mondays

FROM THE EAST

As we enter the new year, let every Brother rededicate himself to the service of the Craft and support Corinthian Temple Lodge and Ancient Craft Masonry. May we pause, reflect, gain from the past, to assist in the labor of the present, and look forward with confidence to the future.

Let's make 1968 another year of real progress for Corinthian Temple Lodge.

At our first Communication of the year, January 15, the newly-elected and appointed officers will be installed. A dinner will be served at 6:30 - make your reservations now with our Junior Warden, Dave Hoag. Plan now to attend the installation. This is an opportunity to again observe this beautiful ceremony and listen to our new Master's plans for the year.

My wish for him is that he receive the same fine support from his officers and Brethren as was given to me; and that he have a happy year with great accomplishments for Corinthian Temple Lodge.

I wish you a happy, blessed New Year. Fraternally, Frank F. Gordnier, Master

COMING EVENTS

Jan. 15 - Installation of Officers. Dinner 6:30 P.M. Feb. 5 - Open Meeting.

JOHN A. ROBERTSON LODGE
No. 1032

1st and 3rd Mondays

Brethren:

January 15th has been designated Installation Night, at which time the officers of the Lodge will be installed. Prior to the Installation Ceremonies, a Swiss Steak dinner will be served in the 3rd Floor Dining Room. Tickets for the dinner are priced at \$2.00 and may be obtained from any of the officers.

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

Bro. Jim Supler is recuperating from surgery.

Bros. Myron Estes and Gil Ralston are both at home following recent hospital visits.

Bro. Bruno Hermann has recovered from his operation.

The sympathy of the Lodge is extended to Bro. William Zwemer, whose wife passed away recently.

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YONNONDIO LODGE
No. 163
1st and 3rd Tuesdays



TRESTLEBOARD

Jan. 2 - Installation of Officers.
Jan. 9 - Officers Meeting.
Jan. 16 - First Degree, Master.
Jan. 23 - Fellowcraft Club Meeting.

COMING EVENTS

Jan. 2nd - Installation of Officers. Our first meeting for the new year will be the traditional installation of Officers meeting. The officers seem eager to begin a new season under the direction of our newly elected Worshipful Master Marshall E. Hughes. One objection of W: Bro. Hughes is the increase in attendance for 1968, so "Bring a Brother".

Jan. 16th - First Degree. The second meeting of January will be a First Degree. Worshipful Master Hughes will confer the Degree for our first class of candidates and the Officers will be exercising their respective duties at their new stations. Reflecting back to our Third Degree meeting last Dec. 5th., there were over eighty brothers in attendance. This expression of interest is an inspiration to the officers who respond with additional excellence in the discharge of their duties.

Jan. 23rd - Fellowcraft Club Meeting. The Fellowcraft meeting will be a dinner meeting and election of officers. Dinner will be at 6:30 P.M. For reservations call dinner Chairman Bro. Paul E. Thone, 334-4823, or any Lodge officer.

Note from W: Bro. William G. Buchanan. It has been a pleasure and a privilege to serve as Master of Yonnondio Lodge for the past year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Past Masters, Officers, and other members of the Lodge whose help and encouragement have contributed to make this a successful year. I urge you all to give your continued support and assistance to your new Master, W: Bro. Marshall E. Hughes, and his officers.

OATKA LODGE
No. 759
2nd and 4th Wednesdays

My Brethren:

It is hard to find words to express how I have felt being Master of Oatka Lodge. It is one of those fine remembrances in a man's life which he can never forget. I would like at this time to thank all the Officers and members for giving me the privilege of serving as Master. I'm really sorry to see it end, I have enjoyed every minute.

I would like to apologize to the members that I didn't get to visit during their sickness. Being Master holds many obligations, sometimes it is difficult to meet them all. With Sincere Thanks,
Gil Ralston

It is with great sorrow we announce the passing of Worshipful Brother Howard Davison. He passed away to the Supreme Architect of

the Universe on December 6, 1967.

Brother Robert Murphy was shot while deer hunting down near Penn Yan, Monday November 20, 1967. Bro. Bob is in Soldiers and Sailors Hospital in Penn Yan. We don't know to much about Bob's condition at this time, only that he will need two more operations and coming along fairly well. As soon as he can have visitors we'll go down to see him.

To the Brethren and their wives; On Saturday, January 20, 1968, we are going to have another Buffet dinner and Dance. We have a fine four piece orchestra for your dancing pleasure. Try to come, we guarantee a good time. There will be advanced ticket sale. Price will be \$3.00 per person. We also have refreshments to your liking.

Our annual Christmas Party on December 10th, went over very well. All who attended had a good time. I would like to thank all the brethrens wives for all the fine food they brought, it was very good.

On January 10, 1968 we have installation of officers. W: Bro. Walter Lindemuth will be installing officer. W: Bro. Harold Pearson will be installing Marshal.

TRESTLEBOARD

Jan. 3 - Fellowcraft.
Jan. 10 - Installation of Officers.

WAKAN LODGE
No. 1054
2nd and 4th Mondays

Dear Brethren:

At our next stated communication January 8th, will be preceded by a dinner and you will be contacted by one of our Officers. Let's have the sidelines full and support these Officers in 1968. R:W: Brother Robert Zabel will be installing Master with the able assistance of R:W: Brother Charlie Thompson as Marshall.

Under Sickness and Distress, our Tiler Bro. Fred Van Graefieland has had a relapse and is under doctors care. Fred, the Lodge wishes you a speedy recovery.

TRESTLEBOARD

Jan. 8 - Installation of Officers.
Jan. 22 - Open.
Feb. 12 - First Degree.
Feb. 26 - Open.

At our annual meeting on December 11th, the following brothers were elected Officers for the year 1968: Edmund K. Lange - Master Elect; Dr. Robert C. Pettit, Senior Warden; Joseph Dimino, Junior Warden; Herbert Lawrence, Senior Deacon; Glen Goodno, Junior Deacon; A. John Tijow, Secretary; W:B: Robert Orne, Treasurer; Henry Kascher, Sr. Master of Ceremonies; Leon Lawrence, Junior Master of Ceremonies; Robert Zollweg, Senior Steward; Derrick Heaton, Junior Steward; John Reis, Marshall; Fred Vangraefieland, Tiler; Charles Dunlap, Chaplan.

In closing, it is my wholehearted wish that the members of Wakan Lodge #1054 support our new Master for the year 1968, in the same manner that they supported me last year. Fraternaly yours,
Eugene Waddington, Master

SENECA LODGE
No. 920
3rd Tuesday



MASTER'S FINAL MESSAGE

Brethren:
As my term draws to a close, I must express my thanks to those Whose help, advice and friendly cheer Brought me safely through the year. And so I send my gratitude To Max Krause for his splendid food.

To the P.M.'s who were swell,
To All my officers as well. To Wor. Bro. Ted and Ward Who kept our records in accord. To honored and Honorable Bro. Norm And Wes for his consistent form.

To our Chaplains, Art and Fred, And Mr. Southern Comfort-Ed. To the three P.M.'s who sat As trustees, Harry, Bob and Pat.

To our drama coaches, Plass and Vick, And our editor, Bro. Dick. To Bob, who dunned for Brotherhood, And Earl, who always knocks on wood.

To Ray and Mac, my hat I tip For handling fellow-craft and ship.

To our organist, Bro. Bill, And to Steiny who checks the till.

To "Mr. Seneca", good old Bill, And faithful helper, Cecil Hill.

And last, but surely not the least, To Jim who steered me toward the East.

Thanks again to all of you. And now before I say adieu, The best of wishes to my pal, Your Grand New Master, Bro. Al.

Sincerely and fraternaly, Ellsworth Van Graefieland, Master

P.S. Holiday Greetings to all and a non-poetic but most sincere thank you for permitting me to serve as Seneca's 1967 Master.

BROTHERHOOD FUND

Last year Seneca Lodge regained its rightful position as number ONE in both Monroe Districts not only for dollar amount contributed, but also for percent of participation. Needless to say this is a spot we do not wish to relinquish. Our staying there depends entirely on you. Bro. Ray Whitley has accepted the Chairmanship this year, and it will make his job a lot easier if you mail in your contribution now.

SPECIAL NOTICE

All officers and appointed for 1968 are requested to keep Tuesday evening, Jan. 9th and Sunday afternoon, Jan. 21st, open.

FROM THE SECRETARY

It would be greatly appreciated if the Brothers of Seneca would make a new resolution in 1968 so that if they move or change address, they will notify the Secretary at once.

FRANK R. LAWRENCE
LODGE No. 797
2nd Monday

On Dec. 11, 1967 our annual meeting and election and installation of officers was held. Elections were chaired by R:W: Brother Charles Kirby, Investiture by R:W: Brother Fred J. Belluscio and Installation of Officers by W: Russell Chapman as Master and R:W: John Briggs as Marshall.

The following officers were elected, appointed and installed:

Frank L. Martin Jr., Master; Donald B. Scrivens, Sr. Warden; Adrian P. De Visser Jr. Warden; Brian V. Wood, Secretary; Carl L. Brown, Treasurer; James E. Vaisey, Sr. Deacon; Shah Hakim, Jr. Deacon; Al Downes, Sr. Master Cere.; William Mason, Jr. Master Cere.; James M. Craib, Steward; Richard L. Mitchell, Steward; Edward R. Rube, Marshall; Robert B. Rubel, Chaplain.

In 1968 we intend to continue our efforts on membership and ritual work. We are looking forward to another good year in these areas. Our Past Master will preside for our second degree on March 11.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to the Lodge for electing me to be Master for 1968. Fraternaly,
Frank L. Martin, Jr. Master

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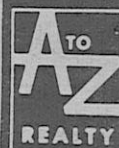
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**GENESEE FALLS LODGE
No. 507
1st and 3rd Thursdays**

FROM THE EAST:

On December 7th Communication was enriched by our annual Memorial Service conducted by the James A. Hard Post, No. 18 of the Masonic War Veterans under the leadership of Brother Lawrence Geith, Commander. Chaplain W: Bro. Elbert Seigfred paid tribute to the twenty-five members who were called home by the Supreme Architect of the Universe during 1967. Bro. Ray Neelin's singing of the Lord's Prayer made a very impressive Benediction to a most solemn and beautiful tribute to the memory of our departed Brothers. The Master, Wardens and Members of Genesee Falls Lodge are very grateful to James A. Hard Post for the perfect example of Masonry in action.

W: Brother George Wetzel was called to the East and presented with a beautifully bound compilation of all of the copies of the Monroe Masonic News including the first dummy format issue. He was cited for the contribution his "Brain child come true" has made to the Masonic Community in the two Monroe Districts.

The Fellowcraft Club elected Austin Garlic, President; Vernon Newell, Vice-President; Thomas McGregor, Secretary and Sol Stillman, Treasurer for the ensuing year. They will be installed on January 25th at a meeting to be held following a 6:30 P.M. Smorgasburg Dinner at the Dutch Mill. All Lodge members are cordially invited, please contact Ellsworth Beeley for reservations.

Our Annual Summons meeting, December 21st, featured the reading of Annual Reports and the Election of Officers for the ensuing year. For your information we list the following Brothers who were elected to serve you in 1968; Bro. William Wilson, Master; Bro. Harold VanLare, Senior Warden; William Zufall, Junior Warden; Bro. Gerald Wilson, Treasurer; Bro. Rev. William McKee, Secretary; Bro. Sydney Rosenberg, Temple Trustee. The appointed offices will be announced at a later date by W: Brother William Wilson who was invested with the secrets of the office of Master at a very impressive Investiture Service conducted by R:W: Herman Sarachan, December 29th, in Gothic Hall.

Far in advance of the requirements of his place in Lodge Brother Ronald Mertens has given faultlessly the Historical Lectures of the First and Third Degrees. In recognition and appreciation, of this fine example, of proficiency he was presented with a certificate of Merit Award by W: Bro. Raymond "M" Ring.

The Installation of Officers for 1968 will take place January 4th following the Installation Dinner, to be served at 6:30 P.M. in the Third Floor Dining Room, please make your reservations with Brother William Zufall.

The First Degree of Masonry will be conferred upon

our first class of candidates January 18th with Wor. Bro. Wilson in the East.

You have made this year of my life one which I will not soon forget. To the seventy or eighty members who gave me the privilege of sitting in Lodge with them and gave me support to all our undertakings, I give my sincere thanks; To the out of town members, with whom Lodge attendance was physically impossible, I offer my regrets; To the sick and distressed, my best wishes for speedy recoveries; To our members who have distinguished themselves in Concordant Bodies, my feeling of pride for their accomplishments; To the total membership whose Stewardship made possible the liberal Budget under which the Lodge operated this year, again, my thanks; But there are no proper words to pay tribute to the ladies who sat at home waiting while our meetings and programs were in progress. To them, the so called Masonic Widows, we give our deepest gratitude for their understanding hearts. God Bless them.

When I relinquish the Gavel at W: William Wilson's Installation I know that I will be passing it on into sure and strong hands, of one, who will lead Genesee Falls Lodge with wisdom and vision. I charge you to give him your fullest support.

Respectfully submitted,
Raymond "M" Ring, Master
1967

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

George Bemish, 243 Alexander St.; Albert Bird, 357 Hampton Blvd.; Raymond Brink, Brockport, N.Y.; Robert Flint, Hilton, N.Y.; Lawrence Conger, 121 Dalkeith Rd.; David Lankton, 2 Howard Rd., E. Bloomfield, N.Y.; Charles B. Mann, 29 So. Main St., Churchville, N.Y.; John Miller, 71 English Rd.; John E. Howard, 189 Rush-Mendon Rd., Honeoye Falls, N.Y.; Donald MacCowan, 118 Clifton St.; Clifford Neobrook, 132 Green Knolls Dr.; F. Leo Meagher, 138 Presque St.; Arthur Reggs, Los Angeles, Calif.; John W. Shafer, 35 Bobrich Dr.; Milton Wetzel, 983 Pine Tree Lane, Webster, N.Y.

CALLED HOME BY THE SUPREME ARCHITECT

William R. Stevens, raised May 15, 1952, called home November 10, 1967 at Geneva, New York.

Lewis P. Pheifer, raised November 17, 1949, called home December 2, 1967.

Charles E. Curtice, raised December 5, 1940, called home December 11, 1967.

**FRANK L. SIMES LODGE
No. 990
2nd and 4th Tuesdays**

Brethren:
The holidays are behind us and I hope you and yours found them fulfilling.

We are on the threshold of a new year with hope and anticipation of a future such as many of the past officers have experienced. Patience and support will be a factor that will be welcomed by your officers whom I'm sure will put forth every effort to bring you pleasure.

Brother Dick VanZandt, J:W: has arranged an in-

teresting program for Feb. 9th meeting. A lecture, with slides on the new Brookwood Atomic Energy plant in Williamson, N.Y., will follow an open Business Meeting. Your support is the only way to paving the way for this type of effort in the future.

It is with regret that I inform you of the passing of W:B: Clinton Asmuth, Nov. 13th, 1967 and W:B: Homer Cole. A memorial service for W:B: Cole was conferred at Hedges Memorial Chapel under the able direction of Brother VanZandt. Thanks to all in support of this impressive ceremony.

May the coming month bond us together in sincere friendship and brotherhood, for this is our goal, our purpose. Be my guest and meet your officers and brothers.

**PAST EVENTS
FELLOWCRAFT**

Nov. 20, 1967: Many thanks to all who attended the annual Fellowcraft affair at the Monroe County Home. Brothers Ken Spalty, Ed Willis, Ben Taylor and Joe Meredith should and have been thanked for their efforts. The patients really look forward to our visit.

Dec. 19th: A whole-hearted thank you to Mr. & Mrs. Harvey Anderson for their gracious hospitality for our Christmas season meeting at their home, where a new slate of officers was elected. I'm sure you will find a resurgence in the craft, for this year the Club will assist in an every member canvas Brotherhood Fund Campaign. Your enthusiastic support, Brethren, can only bring a smashing success to their efforts.

LODGE AFFAIRS

Nov. 26, 1967: The Past Master's of Frank L. Simes conferred the Second Degree upon five candidates, under the capable direction of W:B: George A. Stear in the East. My Brethren, the excellence of the conferral is a fine tribute of their support. Our hats off to you all. Many thanks to the officers and brethren's wives for the fine dinner preceding our special meeting.

Dec. 8, 1967: To the delight of the little people, Santa Claus and his elf helpers made a gala appearance - presents and treats - at our annual Christmas party. Joan Hills, Pat VanZandt & Company (big and little) are to be commended for the decorating and preparation of the Tureen supper. No matter the number in attendance, those there enjoyed the fellowship and the wide-eyed recipients of gifts.

JANUARY CALENDAR

Jan. 2 - Officers meeting.
Jan. 9 - Installation of Officers. Dinner 6:30 P.M. prepared by officers' wives.

Jan. 16 - Fellowcraft meeting. Place to be announced. A very enjoyable and worthwhile evening is being planned.

Jan. 23 - Third Degree Dinner at 6:30 P.M.

When sickness and distress arises, please call your Master and Officers of the Lodge. Awareness is the only way we can serve the craft.

Fraternally,
Richard M. Hills, Master

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WEBSTER LODGE No. 538 1st and 3rd Thursdays

Brethren:

It seems indeed strange to be writing this as your new Master. You know, eight years seems a long time when one views it from the beginning, however, upon looking back it was so very short. Well, lets take first things first. My wish is that each and every one of you had the very finest Christmas. The Christmas season is a hustle and bustle, a time to spend what we don't have, but with it all what time of the year is more rewarding for our toil? I would also, at this time, like to wish you all the happiness for the coming year, may our families live in peace and prosperity and may they have all that good.

On December 17th the Annual Childrens Christmas Party was held under the able hands of your new Sr. Warden, Bro. Jim Wilson. A goodly number turned out many happy children and proud parents enjoyed the magical entertainment. Santa passed out the gifts near the bright and shiney Christmas tree. The festivities ended with a lunch of brightly decorated cookies and ice cream. This was indeed an exciting event.

On Wednesday, Dec. 13th your Fellowcraft Club held its annual dinner. This was held at Mike Sals Webster House (Andy's Inn) and a delicious dinner was enjoyed by all. The officers elected at the last meeting are as follows: Tom McEwen, Pres.; Jim Hopper, Treas.; Harry Baker, Sec'ty. On Jan. 11th the first Fellowcraft meeting will be held at the Lodge. This will be the beginning of three tournaments sponsored by the Club. There will be Euchre, Pool, and Ping Pong and these officers are very excited about this. Brothers, here is your chance to enjoy some good fellowship and at the same time win something. Lets have a real crowd and let these officers know we're behind them. Call a friend and bring him along, lets get some life back in the Lodge! The Fellowcraft Winter Party in honor of our outgoing Master David Allen will be held Jan. 27th at Happy Acres Country Club and will feature Bob Brethren and his Orchestra. How about going with your best girl and thank Dave personally for a job well done. You know, Dave was instrumental in beginning the closer ties with our Catholic Brothers in the K of C which incidentally brings to mind an item of interest. The K of C Officers are planning a dance to be held at Holy Trinity for the combined membership of our two organizations, let's keep this in mind, for if the dinner and dance they had for their Past Grand Sword Bearer was any indication it will be one to attend. They were very gracious hosts to Bro. Dave and myself.

Your Master attended two very interesting dinner meetings in December. On Dec. 14th., the Past Masters Dinner at the Lodge to a very excellent meal served by Lurleen Rowell's Officers Club, Order of Eastern Star. Hats off to Chairman Wanda Williams for a very delicious

meal. Bro. Bob Torrens was host.

The second dinner was held at the Masonic Temple in the city. This was the Master Elect meeting or a meeting of all the incoming Masters in the First and Second Monroe Districts. Incidentally this was held on December 28th and was a meeting I shall long remember.

Ladies Nite this year will be held on March 2nd, Saturday, at Hospitality House, in the Washington Room. Keep this date open for this is always the greatest.

You will be represented this year to the Fellowship Committee by two able officers, Bros. Dave Painter and Ron Turney. More on this later.

In closing Brothers, the one thing that is most dear to my heart is you. How can we have anything but an interesting and very exciting year? With Clint Ballard as D.D.G.M., Tom McEwen, President of the Fellowcraft Club, Chuck White, Junior Warden and all the other enthusiastic officers of your Lodge. Truly we need your attendance at meetings. I know that many of you are living out of town, some are physically unable to attend, but how about it, I appeal to you, won't you try to make at least one meeting this year? I want to meet you and the officers will make you welcome. So you don't remember the password, or the ritual, or a "beef" you have to get off your chest, come, you have nothing to fear on any of these. We are your officers, come help us run your Lodge. Below is a poem which I think you will agree is a fine ending to my first letter to you.

"And now my brethren
What came you here to do?
When you joined our mystic circle,
Had you a purpose in your heart
To be of service to your fellow man,
And perform your allotted part?
Or come you out of curiosity
Or motives personal in view?
Tell me, Brother of the square.
What came you here to do?
Have you failed to grasp the meaning
Of the symbols of our chart?
Have you learned to subdue your passions
And make improvements in your art?
Do you always, always uphold the trusts
On which we firmly stand,
Teaching the Fatherhood of God
And the Brotherhood of Man?
Have you been willing to aid the Brother
When life searches for fierce and wild?
Have you offered cheer and comfort
To the Masons widow, wife and child?
If you have done so, my Brother,
You are a Mason good and true,
And can give a correct answer
"What came you here to do?"

(Reprint from "The Masonic News" (Ill.)

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

It is with great personal concern that I report that Brother Frank Marks has had a stroke and will be

confined to his home at 507 Salt Road for at least a month. Brothers, even though you may not know this Brother, pay him a call, he will appreciate it.

Brother Tom Gibson is home and very low in spirits. The Lodge felt that with Brother Tom's handicap he should be relieved of his dues responsibility. Lodge voted this be done.

CALLED HOME BY THE SUPREME ARCHITECT

Bro. Earl Wright, November 13, 1967; Bro. Josef Masser, November 26, 1967. Fraternaly yours,
James R. Fordham, Master

UNION STAR LODGE No. 320 1st Wednesday

Brethren:

This is my last message to you as Master of Union Star. It has been a very successful year and I would like to thank all the Brethren and Officers for their very fine support.

The election of Officers was held on Dec. 6. The following were elected for the year 1968: Richard F. Rosier, Master; Carlton J. Lester, Sr. Warden; Thomas O. Southern, Jr. Warden; William E. Clark, Secretary.

January 3rd Regular Communication. Installation of Officers. Dinner will be served to all present at 7:00 P.M. Please make every effort to attend and help make this a memorable evening for your newly installed Officers.

Our postage and stationary bill was quite large for this past year. In order to cut down on this expense we have decided to use the Masonic News for the purpose it was intended. The Lodge pays for the subscriptions to this fine paper, so in effect when we send out notices of every meeting it doubles our expense. In the future all notices of coming events will be published a month in advance. I advise that you clip these from the paper and keep for reference. Please acquire the habit of looking for your Lodge news in the Masonic News.

A very good idea, also, would be to attend Lodge as often as you can so that you may keep abreast of the important work being undertaken. In the coming months there will probably be many changes that I am sure will be of interest to you.

Looking forward to seeing all of you January 3rd. Fraternaly,
William E. Clark, Master

CLIO LODGE

No. 779
1st and 3rd Tuesdays

As your Master Elect for the year 1968, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you brothers for this great privilege and honor. For those of you who do not know me, my name is Dick L'Amoreaux.

I would appreciate hearing from anyone knowing of a brother in sickness or distress or for any other reason that I myself or the Lodge may be of help. Please call me at 225-0050 or 458-1000, Ext. 3120.

Installation of officers will be Jan. 2, 1968 at 8:00 P.M. Prior to this the investiture ceremony will be performed

by the Past Masters of Clio at 7:30. The following officers will be installed: Richard L'Amoreaux, Master; Vernon Flowerday, Sr. Warden; Harlan Morse, Jr. Warden; Dennison Wright, Secretary; Clifford Jackling, Treasurer; Chaplains, R:W: and Rev. I.V. Lloyd, W: Earle Maynard; Sr. Deacon, Harry Hopkins, Jr. Deacon, Donald Everts, Sr. Master of Cer.; Dave Partiss, Jr. Master of Cer.; Howard Garbutt, Steward; Robert Armistead, Steward; Kenneth Keeler, Marshall; Donald Hamilton, Tiler; William David.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

W: Bro. Earle Maynard, at home recovering. Can now have visitors.

Bro. Stuart Collamer, in serious condition at Strong Memorial Hospital.

Bro. David Dyson, at home recovering from a stroke.

Bro. William Taeyer at home recovering from a stroke.

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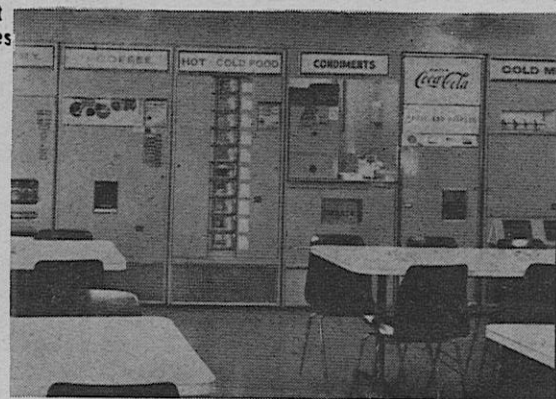
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No. 945

2nd and 4th Tuesdays

FROM THE EAST:

Brethren:

Let me start my first communication by saying "well done" to our outgoing Worshipful Master, Everitt White. He has had an outstanding year both in fields of Ritual, Fellowship and Lodge Administration. I believe this past year has been one of the most successful in our fifty years of existence.

It is with pride that I enter the new year as your Worshipful Master. Our first fifty years have been most satisfactory and commendable. We are now looking forward to our second fifty years which will present many new challenges to the craft. This will demand of all of us a great deal of devotion, time and effort. I promise you I will do my best in these respects in the ensuing year.

In behalf of the Officers of Fame Lodge, I extend to you our best wishes for a most happy and prosperous New Year. Fraternaly, Robert W. Avery Master-elect

SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR 1967:

The year 1967 might have seemed a dreary year to some members of Fame Lodge, but after reading through the minutes once again, I wonder where we found time to accomplish so much. We appear to have done more work, and in the meantime have eaten together much more than in former years. This accounts for the increase in attendance which has been quite noticeable in the second half of the year.

The Pancake suppers, so beautifully arranged by Bro. Charles Weeks proved that we can forget about calories for a while and concentrate on good fellowship. The practice of having a dinner at every degree resulted in some thirty or more members enjoying each others company on these occasions, and must have been quite encouraging to the Master. These were just experiments but they appear to have proved their worth, in spite of the fact that some are unable to attend at the early hour of 6:30 P.M.

Bro. John Ferraro worked hard on the Masonic Brotherhood Fund, and although Fame Lodge broke no records, we did make a very creditable showing. The Chairman of this Drive for 1968 is Bro. Robert Hebner, whose goal is 100% donors, large or small.

We were sorry to say so long to Bro. Charles Weeks, whose work in this Lodge room will forever remind us of him. Such things as the cupboards in the Ante room, the beautifully panelled Lodge Room, shelves and cupboards all over the place, even some electrical work, all bear the finger prints of Bro. Charles Weeks and he is sorely missed. The Lodge showed its appreciation by presenting Bro. Weeks with a suitably inscribed plaque before his departure to Canada to enjoy retirement.

The Officers chairs were reupholstered by Bro. Geo.

Case, who continues to donate time and effort to his Lodge. There is a new sign on the front of the building, illuminated at night, this being the work of Bro. Fred Barto for which we are most grateful.

W: Bro. Neil Vanderzell was Chairman of a Committee which cooperated with the Eastern Star in holding some card parties during the year. The result of this effort can be seen in the beautiful rug which covers the floor of this Lodge room.

A new ceiling was also installed during the year. These are some of the physical things which Fame Lodge and its members accomplished this year.

Other items of interest include the presentation of a Past Master's Apron to W: Bro. Clarence Ver Streate, and a Grand Lodge Apron to R:W: Bro. William C. Gavitt upon his appointment as Grand Master of Ceremony. We considered this a great honor to have one of our Past Masters receive recognition by the Grand Lodge.

Fame Lodge turned out in force for the Masonic Grand Ball last April having their own special tables reserved, and during all this, Bro. William Van De Walle took time off from his Lodge duties to celebrate his 25th Wedding Anniversary.

Your Secretary is most grateful for the donation of a new desk by Bro. Richard Szonn.

In the minutes, there is mention of a challenge received from Wakan Lodge to take part in a bowling match. I don't know if the results were disastrous for us or not, for nowhere can I find the result of this match.

Our By-Laws were amended, raising the yearly dues to \$16.00 and eliminating future life membership, something which was long overdue.

The big event, of course, was our Ladies Nite and celebration of our 50th Anniversary, held at the Wishing Well in October. The speaker of the evening M:W: Clarence J. Henry, Past Grand Master of New York, delighted everyone present. Each couple attending received a gift commemorating the occasion, and the evening was rounded out by entertainment and dancing. There were 148 in attendance, the food was exceptionally good and everyone had a most enjoyable evening, all arranged by Bro. John Ferraro and his Committee.

The D.D.G.M. visited us officially Nov. 14th bringing the message of the Grand Master. Of interest to your Secretary was the suggestion that future Masters start in line at the Deacons station thus becoming Master after 5 years instead of 10 years as is now the custom. The lower chairs would be filled by those who desire to take part in Lodge ritual, but who do not wish to progress to the responsibility of the Master's Chair.

To round out the year, the Masonic Fellowship Committee presented Trophies to two Fame Lodge members. Bro. Don Roberts received a trophy for efficiency in Bowling, and Bro. Robert Thompson was honored for Marksmanship in the Skeet Shooting. Both events are part of a large

program arranged for area Masons by the Fellowship Committee.

At the Grand Lecturers Convention, Fame took part in exemplifying the First Section of the First Degree, and received many compliments for their work.

As will be seen by the Treasurer's report, we are in a sound financial position. We lost 9 members during this year, two by demit, and gained two by restoration. We initiated 11 and raised 10 to the degree of Master Mason.

This concludes by 24th Report as Secretary of Fame Lodge, and I express my sincere thanks to all who came to my aid and helped me over a difficult period. Since I am now retired, Mrs. Walker and I expect to take off for Florida in a few weeks and probably stay over the worst months. I will endeavor to contact members of Fame who now live in the Southland, and give them greetings from their Brethren in the North. Once again, my sincere thanks to all who made my job so cheerful.

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

Our sympathies are extended to Bro. William Flad who father passed on.

Wor. Bro. Harold Chapin will be home shortly recovering from his stay in the hospital.

Wor. Bro. William Rogee is in Park Avenue Hospital recovering from his broken leg.

Bro. William Plews conducted the annual Memorial Service in December, and paid a final tribute to the following brothers who were summoned by the Supreme Architect during the year 1967: Brothers Everitt N. Hallauer, Nils Lund, R:W: Archie L. Bubier, Vernon Moore, Herbert E. Hanse, William Lynn, Sr., Walter Brockway, Harry C. Papka. "Alone but never lonely".

Our annual Christmas party co-hosted with Wakan Lodge was a very wonderful affair. The children were enthralled with their gifts from good old "St. Nick", who made his appearance in full dress. Thanks to John Zauner and Jim Hanlon for their splendid efforts in coordinating the affair.

Have you seen our sign since Fred Barto installed the spotlights. It shows up quite well. Thanks, Fred,

Bro. Jacques Herman has been installed as Branch Manager of Date Communications, New Jersey Branch. This is a wonderful move for Jacques and an unfortunate one for the Lodge. He must move to New Jersey, January 6th. We hate to see you go, Jacques, but all of our best wishes go with you.

JANUARY SCHEDULE

Jan. 2 - First Officers meeting.

Jan. 9 - Installation of Officers.

Jan. 23 - First Degree, Bro. John Ferraro will be in the East. This will be preceded by a supper put on by Culver Chapter at 6:30 P.M. Reservations may be made by calling Bro. Bob Hebner at 227-2343.

Jan. 31 - Donations will be accepted for the Brotherhood Fund.

Best wishes for a Good Year !!

Your Fraternal Reporter, Bob Hebner



Brother Bob Thompson of Fame Lodge with Trophy for Trap & Skeet Award.

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A very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone. The present year 1967 is fast coming to a close and 1968 is upon us. Have we as Sir Knights and Master Masons been the person we wish we had been in 1967 or has there been something lacking. Something we wish we had accomplished and had not. If so let's all hope in the new year 1968 we may be better Christians than in the one past. Let's try anyhow. It's worth every ounce of effort we can put forth.

Our Commandery year is fast closing and new Officers will be elected to take over responsible positions in our Commandery. The year past has been a memorable one. We finished 100 years as a Commandery and am now on the 2nd 100 years. Many thanks to all for what they did in 1967 and in the years past. May 1968 and the years ahead be filled with happiness and joy for all. Believe in God and all these things shall come to pass. Why not give it a try.

Coming events in January 1968: Our Annual Conclave, Jan. 12th at 8:00 P.M. is a must for every member. Reports of Officers, activities and committees will be given. The election of Officers for 1968 will take place. It is your duty if possible to attend. Everyone has a part to do and we need everyone of you to make it a success.

Public Installation of Cyrene Commandery #39 Officers will take place on Friday, January 26th, 1968 at 8:00 P.M. in Cathedral Hall, Masonic Temple, Rochester, N.Y. Everyone is invited to attend and bring your friends with you. Would like to meet them. This is one Installation that can be attended by non members as well as Commandery members. Will see you all there.

A list of the New Officers will be presented in the Feb. Issue and activities for the first part of the year.

Our Em. Commander H. William Earl has been sick but is much better now and he wishes to thank all for their thoughtfulness during his illness.

Many thanks goes to P.C. David M. Buckley for his gift to the Commandery of old pictures of Cyrene Commandery activities. They are deeply appreciated by all. Maybe some other members have things which would be of interest for the commandery and can be put in the archives for future reference. Let us know if you have. Will be glad to pick them up from you.

A reminder from our Recorder that dues are now due and payable as soon as possible. Thanks.

Believe that is all for now. See you at the Conclaves.

Fraternally yours,

Em. Commander, H. William Earl

Em. Sir Roy E. Huff, Reporter.

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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

The zone Festival, Saturday, November 25th was very successful. A good attendance of Sir Knights, a large class of candidates. I want to thank all of the Sir Knights that participated in the orders. Geneva Commandery #29 Order of Red Cross, Canandaigua Commandery #81 and Palmyra Commandery #41 combined in the order of Malta and Cyrene Commandery #39 and Monroe Commandery #12 combined in the order of the Temple. Many thanks to our able directors Em. S.K: Ward R. Turner and Em. S.K: Frederick A. Miller, Past Commanders who gave much of their time to make this a memorable nite for the fine Class of Candidates. I would like to commend the following Sir Knights for the outstanding job they did in the order of The Temple. From Monroe Commandery, our Prelate Em. S.K: William T. Plews, Grand Prelate Emeritus, as Prelate, our Senior Warden S.K: Leslie Brown, as Junior Warden, our Generalissimo S.K: Joel T. Johnson as Captain General, and our Sword Bearer S.K: Ivan H. Ball, Jr. as Warder. From

Cyrene Commandery Em. S.K: Roy Van Derlinder, Jr. P.C. as Commander. Also many thanks to the balance of the fine Temple cast and other orders. There is not enough space allotted to list all your names.

The Past Commanders' dinner was held Thursday, November 30th at the Treadway Inn. Our in-coming Commander gave us a preview of his plans for 1968. Also at this occasion your commander received a past commanders card and membership in the past Commander Association. That is after I paid one buck on the line. I am honored and proud to be one of this fine group. The Public Installation of Officers will be held on Friday, January 19, 1968.

Nice to hear Em. Sir Knights, Dr. Earle E. Maynard and Lawrence F. Johnson, past Commanders are recovering nicely from their serious illness. They are still at home and would most welcome short visits and cards.

Friday, January 5th will be our first conclave of the new year. A very important night. Election of officers and report of committees. Let have a large turn-out, your officers will sure appreciate it.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Jan. 5 - Monroe Election of Officers.
Jan. 17 - Palmyra Installation.
Jan. 19 - Monroe Installation.

Jan. 25 - Canandaigua Installation.

Jan. 26 - Cyrene Installation.

Wishing all the best of Holidays and a very Happy New Year.

May God be with you.
Sir Knight Walter B. Sanders
Commander
Em. Sir Knight Ward R. Turner, Reporter

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2nd Thursday



This is coming to you at the time of a joyous season and when many make new years resolutions soon to be broken. However, it might be well for us all to reflect on the past and plan for the future. We hope that your Masonic light will provide some time to spend with your Posts activities.

We again have a good slate of officers for 1968 and we should all pledge our support to their program. And for the Masters elect who may be reading this column, if we can assist in any way with some of your special programs, please get in touch with our adjutant. We are more than happy to assist you.

Our new slate of officers for the coming year will be: Commander, Walter Close; 1st Lt. Commander, Francis Flagg; 2nd Lt. Commander, Andy McLeod; 3rd Lt. Commander, Chaplain, Elbert Seigfred; Adjutant, Ray Ring and Finance Officer, Charles Simpson. The Installation Program will again be held at Charlotte Lodge on Sunday afternoon January 21st at 4:30 with a buffet dinner. There will be more information about this later. This will be open to the public and of course you are asked to bring your family.

At the time of this writing, our schedule for January is:

Jan. 11 - Post Meeting, 8:00 P.M.
Jan. 14 - Canandaigua Hospital, 1:30 P.M.
Jan. 21 - Installation of Officers, Charlotte Lodge, 4:30 P.M.

Commander Geith wishes to express his appreciation to those members who so faithfully participated in his 1967 program.

KANANDAQUA TRIANGLE

Nov. 18 - Kanandaqua Triangle #139, sponsored by the "Red Jacket Commandery" and Excelsior Chapter #164 of Royal Arch Masons was formally instituted in Canandaigua, N.Y. by our State Director Most Worthy Rose E. Scherer assisted by Deputy State Director Mrs. Irene Mann, Sr. Advisor Dorothy Bandemer, and Jr. Advisor Judith Oakley.

Mrs. Scherer appointed Mrs. Ronald Edwards as the new Jr. Deputy.

Charter members were initiated by Fidelity Triangle with Past Queen Linda Cranston presiding.

Beloved Queen Nancy Ban-



Most Worthy Rose E. Scherer and officers of Kanandaqua Triangle.

croft and her officers were installed by Jr. Deputy Mrs. Helen Paget, with honor guards formed by Fidelity Triangle and the Red Jacket Commandery. Installing Marshalls and Chaplain were Past Queens, Susan Alley, Barbara Cross, and Diane Paget.

New officers are: Chaplain, Carol Bacon; Marshall, Sharon Amesbury; Assistant Marshall, Sharon Tiffany; Flagbearer, Carol Buell; Std. Bearer, Martha Schloss; Historian, Cathy Warfel; Secretaries, Eileen Fiscus, Deborah Weiland, Nancy Amesbury, and Stephanie Warfel.

The Color Guard of the James A. Hard Post of the Masonic War Veterans, presented and retired the colors and presented a new Flag to the new Triangle.

Attendance of 267 included: R:W: Elizabeth Sanderson, D.D.G.M., R:W: Richard Steele, Dist. Lect., R:W: Maureen Killip, R:W: Odell Kelly, W:M: Jean Ogden, W:P: Robert Ogden and many others from Canandaigua, Rochester, Syracuse, Oneonta, Fairport, Hornell, Elmira, Buffalo and New York.

Many gifts to the new Triangle were received from individuals and groups.

Mrs. Hazel Coats the first Queen of Unity Triangle and the first Queen of any Triangle was a special guest.

A very special tribute goes to Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Edwards and Mrs. Betty Bancroft who did all of the work of organizing the new Triangle and arranging the ceremonies and reception. May God Bless You.

FIDELITY TRIANGLE

Nov. 8 - Triangle served the dinner for Corinthian Chapter O.E.S.

Nov. 25 - Past Beloved Queen, Barbara Cross and William Nurse were married



Fidelity Triangle new Members.

in a lovely ceremony in Summerville Presbyterian Church. Best wishes to the newlyweds.

Nov. 26 - Each Queen of Fidelity sets a certain Sunday as "Obligation Sunday". She and her officers and members and parents attend the Church of her choice. Beloved Queen Kathryn Slack and 30 girls and parents attended the Irondequoit United Church of Christ. Advance notice was in the Church Bulletin. The Rev. Harley Rosenberger welcomed the girls warmly, asking them to rise as he introduced them. He then gave a brief history of Triangle describing the points of the Triangle, the purpose of the group, and the charitable activities of Triangle.

Nov. 29 - Triangle served the dinner for Bethany White Shrine.

Dec. 1 - Triangle served the dinner for Warren C. Hubbard Lodge.

Dec. 2 - A Triangle rummage sale netted \$190.00.

Dec. 9 - New initiates were Judith Webster and Carolyn Vanderweel. This makes 30 new members in 1967.

Jan. 13 - Regular meeting 7:30 P.M. Swim Party 9:00 P.M. Perkins Swim Club, Penfield.

Jan. 27 - Regular meeting 8:00 P.M. Friendship night for Lilac Triangle.

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JANUARY 1968

- 2 - Nola Chapter - Installation of Officers.
- 3 - F.S. Stebbins Court - Regular Meeting.
- 4 - University Star - Installation of Officers.
- 6 - Amo - Serve Rochester Chapter's Installation.
- 8 - Jennie M. Lord Constellation - Installation of Officers.
- 11 - University Star - Regular Meeting.
- 13 - Fidelity Triangle - Regular Meeting.
- 15 - Amo - Installation of Officers.
- 17 - Royalty Club - Official Visit.
- 18 - Wyoming Valley Court - Regular Meeting.
- 19 - Temple Court - Regular Meeting.
- 22 - Flower City Link - Honor Grand Officer Diana Brienstock, D.D.
- 22 - A.M. Shipman Court - Regular Meeting.
- 27 - Fidelity Triangle - Regular Meeting.

UNIVERSITY STAR CHAPTER No. 797

Order of the Eastern Star

Dear Sisters & Brothers: An "old year" ends, a "new year" starts, may we wish you a prosperous and happy one. For all it will be busy if the past is any example.

Our installation will be on Thursday, January 4. We hope many of you can be with us.

On Thursday the 11th, Officers Club will be at my home and you are cordially invited to attend. If you plan to come, please call me at my home.

On the 18th we will have an early meeting, 7:30, in order to attend and serve for Paul Chapters' Official Visit.

Our aim this year is to have more members in attendance at meeting at the end than at the start. If you all come on the 4th -- we shall certainly have a challenge!
Sincerely & Fraternaly,
Virginia Shedden,
W:M: Elect.
R:W: Jack Williams, W:P: Elect.

BIRTHDAYS FOR JANUARY

Ruth Baist, 1st; Sylvia Wright, 1st.; Marion Donke, 2nd.; Victoria Brown, 3rd.; Joyce DeWolf, 4th.; Florence A. Mason, 4th.; Norma Conderman, 9th.; Paul Kopp, 16th; Sylvia Carroll, 18th; Elmer Carroll, 24; Ellen Hair, 25th; Philota Bridges, 27th; Ida Woerner, 27th.

AMO CHAPTER No. 547
Order of the Eastern Star

Dear Sisters and Brothers: This being the last time that I have the opportunity of writing to you as your Worthy Matron, I should like to thank each and everyone of you for giving me the privilege of serving you for this year past. It has been an adventure which I shall never forget and the friendship and spirit of cooperation which has been accorded me has been a great joy to me. Thank you all and especially my officers who have been outstandingly faithful.

For the benefit of those who may not have heard already, our bazaar was a most outstanding one and we have heard nothing but raves about the dinner and enthusiastic comments about our booths. Our thanks go out again to our chairman, W:S: Betty Cromwell, under whose leadership our Chapter took a large step forward. Hope you can be with us next year.

Events for January are:
Jan. 6 - We will serve Rochester Chapter's Installation.

Jan. 12 - We will serve Vidalia and Niner Chapter's Installation.

Jan. 15 - Amo Chapter Installation.

Feb. 5 - Official Visit. We should like to congratulate Sister Elsie Reed upon her election to serve the Chapter in 1968. We hope for her as wonderful a year as we had and all good wishes to her and to W:B: Bob Burnett our new Worthy Patron for 1968.

Sincerely & Fraternaly,
W: Genevieve Gamble, W:M: W: Paul Gamble, W:P:

NOLA CHAPTER No. 368
Order of the Eastern Star

Dear Sisters and Brothers: The Worthy Patron and I wish to say a sincere thank you to all the Officers and Committees of 1967 for their wonderful cooperation and assistance during the year. It has been a most rewarding year for us and we hope all the members have enjoyed it as much as we have.

Our many projects were very fruitful and I thank all who helped by contributing in any way. Our final project, the Afghan, which was knitted by the Worthy Matron's daughter, Sister Dorothy Wingate of Connecticut was awarded to Susan Riley of Churchville.

One project that was started this year, that we hope will be lasting, was a Memorial Fund. The monies from this fund are to be used to purchase an organ for the Chapter Rooms. Anyone wishing to establish a Memorial for a relative or loved one may contribute and have a page of our beautiful Memorial Book dedicated to them.

Installation of Officers for 1968 will be held on January 2nd. Long colored formals will be worn.

Our Official visit will be held April 2, 1968.

Thanks again for a wonderful year in 1967. Fraternaly,
W:S: Onnolee Daycock, W:M: W:B: Charles Daycock, W:P:

FLOWER CITY LINK No. 38
Order of the Golden Chain

Flower City Link's November projects, the Rummage Sale and the Auction and Bake Sale that followed the November meeting, brought the month to a happy and successful conclusion.

The first attendance prize was won by Hattie Komenski and the first "Member of the Month" award went most deservedly to Molly Kravitz and Gussie Solomon.

December has also been busy, starting with a Membership Tea on December 10 at the home of Associate Matron and Associate Patron Beverly and Jerome Benowitz. Several potential members present, expressed great interest, and we are looking forward to their joining us in the near future.

A Board meeting for the discussion of plans was held at the home of W. Matron Naomi Friedman on Dec. 18.

The December 25 meeting, changed to December 27th, featured a delicious Hanukah dinner catered by our "Members of the Month" Gussie and Molly, and their able committee, and was preceded by hors d'oeuvres and punch. It was a family party and celebrated the "Feast of Lights" with the special lighting of candles.

January also promises to be a busy month. On the calendar for the 8th is the annual party for paid up members, under chairmanship of Past Matron Ann Lazerson. Be sure your dues are paid so that you may enjoy the always pleasant evening with cards, refreshments, prizes and surprises.

For Jan. 15th, a Theatre Party will be held at the Monroe Theatre for the Monday evening performance of "Gone With the Wind." You will enjoy this new wide screen production, and the knowledge that the proceeds will be used for projects and equipment for the children's ward at the State Hospital and for the handicapped children at the new Al Sigl Center. Tickets may be obtained from the W. Matron by calling 442-2679, or the Secretary at 442-9318.

The regular meeting for January 22nd will honor the Grand Officer, Diana Brienstock, D.D., and will be preceded by a supper at 6:15.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Esther Levine on the loss of her husband.

May Happy Holidays be enjoyed by all, and may the New Year bring the blessings of good health to all and Peace throughout the world. Fraternaly,
Naomi Friedman, W: Matron
Eva R. Leve, Secretary

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ROYALTY CLUB OF ROCHESTER, NEW YORK

The Royalty Club, Order of the Amaranth, held their annual meeting and Christmas Party on December 2nd 1967. The following new Officers were elected:

H.L. Edna Miller, Queen; S.K. Roy Huff, King; H.L. Nina Eward, Queen Regent; S.K. Raymond Moses, Prince Regent; H.L. Gladys Helfer, First Lady; H.L. Shirley Huntley, Second Lady; H.L. Lauramae Fink, Secretary; S.K. J.E. Breckenridge, Treasurer.

The following activities are planned for the various Courts of the Royalty Club:

Wed., January 3, 1968, will be the regular meeting for Franklin S. Stebbins Court in Room "B". Wednesday, Jan. 17th, our District Leaders, H.L. Gladys Helfer and S.K. Donald Huntlye will officially visit this Court.

Wyoming Valley Court of Attica, regrets that so many Master Masons missed the Masonic Indian Night that they held in November. The Royal Matron and Royal Patron of this Court are members of the "Turtle Clan of the Seneca Indians" and a wonderful degree and evening was put on by the Indian Masons on November 18th. They hope that the next time several of our Masonic Brothers will be able to attend. Their next meeting will be advance night and will be held at the Masonic Temple, Main Street, Attica, N.Y. on Jan. 18, 1968.

Temple Court will have their regular meeting and a silent auction on Friday, Jan. 19, 1968 in Room "A", they will also have their annual Birthday party in January, place to be announced later, but reservations can be made anytime with H.L. Nina Eward, Royal Matron and Chairman of this Party. Their official visit will be February 16, 1968.

Genesee Valley Court will be entertaining our District leaders at their Jan. 24th meeting, which will be held in Room "B". Let us all attend and show our D.D.G. R.M. And A.G.L. we are supporting them.

Unity Court in Ontario, N.Y. will have their regular meeting, Monday, Jan. 15th, and in February they are planning a Dutch Mail party. Keep these dates open.

Anna M. Shipman Court will not have a meeting in December as it would fall on Christmas Day. They will have their next regular meeting on Jan. 22, 1968.

They will entertain the D.D. G.R.M. and A.G.L. on Feb. 26, 1968. This is the D.D. G.R.M.'s own Court. Many of you no doubt remember in 1958 when Shipman Court celebrated their 50th Anniversary by entertaining the entire membership of the Amaranth of the State of New York at a dinner in the Star Dining Room at the Masonic Temple. Plans are now being formulated to have a party to celebrate their 60th Anniversary on March 1, 1968. More about this later but keep the date in mind and plan to attend.

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

H.L. Hazel Moore and H.L. Grace Athay of Temple Court lost their Mother.

H.L. Lauretta Gommengenger of Genesee Valley

Court lost her Husband very suddenly.

H.L. Sophie Byrne of Genesee Valley Court was operated on Dec. 6th, but is home now.

S.K. Frank Bricka, Past A.G.L. and Deputy Grand Patron a member of Genesee Valley Court is ill.

S.K. Oel Kidder of Wyoming Valley Court has been in the hospital for an operation but is home now.

H.L. Evelyn Skotedis of Wyoming Valley Court is still on crutches but was able to be out to our December meeting, and we were all glad to see her.

Fraternaly,
Edna Miller, Queen

JENNIE M. LORD CONSTELLATION No. 5

Jennie M. Lord Constellation welcomes into its membership the following: Linda Briars, Catherine Confer, Petty DeBottis, Barbara Horn, Cynthia Milroy, Sharon Switzler, Jolene Preston and Mirla Schuetz. May each of you enjoy many years the new friendships you have made.

At the December meeting the following officers were elected for the next term: Exalted Star of Light and Love, Erlene Waltman; Star of Happiness, Linda Davidson; Star of Mercy, Linda Brethen; Star of Kindness, Jeanne Blossom; Star of Records, Judy Newman; Star of Treasurers, Sandra Spencer.

These officers will be installed on Saturday, January 6, 1968. This will be an open Installation to be held in Cathedral Hall. All are invited to attend.

Rochester Chapter Order of DeMolay honored the Jennie M. Lord Constellation at their December 11th meeting. A very interesting and enjoyable evening was had by all who attended. Many thanks to the DeMolay for a well planned evening. You sure know how to entertain your guests.

The Constellation is very busy making plans for the home coming of District Deputy Grand Exalted Star, Susan Gayle Wilson, to be held on February 3, 1968, and the official visit of Grand Exalted Star Marion C. Smith of Little Valley, New York, and her Staff of Grand Officers, which will be held on Saturday March 16, 1968. Both affairs will be held in Cathedral Hall, Masonic Temple.

A cordial invitation is extended to all Masonic and Eastern Stat members and Organizations to attend these affairs as well as any of our meetings. Your attendance will be greatly appreciated.

The entire membership of Jennie M. Lord Constellation wishes you and yours a very prosperous and Happy New Year.

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