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## Charlotte Lodge 1088 Wins D.D.G.M. Trophy Fidelity Triangle Third Consecutive Year Donates Checks at Installation Now Owns Trophy

The girls of Fidelity Triangle earned the money for these gifts by holding rummage sales, charity bazaars, waiting on table, doing hat checking, collecting old newspapers, and selling candy, cookies, and fruitcakes.

The retiring Queen presents the checks from the money that is earned during her term.



Junior Deputy Karen Leipold, receives check for \$50.00 for Statewide Triangle Emergency Relief Fund from Beloved Queen Renea Seeber.



Wor. William Zufall receives check for \$50.00 for Monroe Masonic News and check for \$125.00 to buy a wheelchair for the Masonic Service Bureau from Beloved Queen Renea Seeber.



R.W. Myron Dox, D.D.G.M. and Wor. Robert Jackson, Brotherhood Fund Chairman, receive check for \$200.00 for Brotherhood Fund from Beloved Queen Renea Seeber.



W. Gordon Davidson and R.W. John T. Skalny

A total of 452 points for attendance at the District Deputy's Official Visit on December 4th, 1973 was more than enough to win for the third consecutive time the trophy by Charlotte Lodge No. 1088 of the Second Monroe District.

The trophy is now in permanent possession of Charlotte Lodge. It was presented by John T. Skalny, D.D.G.M. of the Second Monroe District.

We want to congratulate the Worshipful Master and the Officers for the fine turnout. A desk set trophy will be awarded to the Master, Gordon Davidson.

The runner-up this year was Craftsman Lodge #969.

### WEBSTER R.A.M. SCORES A FIRST

Webster Chapter #296 Royal Arch Masons, will host the first Open Installation of Officers of a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in the Rochester area.

On January 8, 1974 at 8:00 PM, the public is invited to attend the Installation of Officers of Webster Chapter. The Installation will take place in the Masonic Temple, 97 South Avenue, Webster, New York. This open ceremony will afford all who attend an excellent opportunity to learn somewhat of Royal Arch Masonry.

The Officers to be Installed include: High Priest, George Gerken; King, James Hughes; Scribe, Jerome Pulver; Secretary, Howard Hornik; Treasurer, Donald Evans.

The Installation Team will be headed by Right Worshipful Frank W. Allen, Grand Treasurer of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons for the State of New York.

Following the installation ceremony there will be a Reception in the Lodge Dining Hall. If you decide to attend in a group please contact Howard Hornik at 872-3716 and inform him of how many are coming so that we might have sufficient chairs around the tables.

Webster Chapter cordially and fraternally invites all Brothers, friends, and their ladies to attend the Installation and Reception.

### R.:W.:Fred J. Wolfe, Grand Representative

M:W: Lloyd S. Cochran has announced the appointment of R:W: Fred J. Wolfe as the Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Florida near the Grand Lodge of New York. R:W: Bro. Wolfe was raised in Penfield Union No. 154 in 1942. He was Worshipful Master in 1949, the 100th Anniversary of Penfield Lodge. His appointment coincides with the 125th Anniversary of the Lodge in 1974. An excellent ritualist, he has served his Lodge in many capacities including that of Trustee. He was elected Treasurer in 1964, the office he now holds. He and his wife Eleanor have two children and reside at 1946 Five Mile Line Road in Penfield.

The presentation of his commission as Grand Representative will be made by R:W: Myron L. Dox at the Installation of Officers of Penfield Union Lodge on January 15, 1974.



### BROTHERHOOD FUND

Let's all Give More in '74

Your Lodge Chairmen have now received their kits from Grand Lodge and will be contacting each of you in the near future for your contribution to the Masonic Brotherhood Fund. Some of you may also be contacted to give of your time in this great undertaking. Please help as much as you can.

The Masonic Brotherhood Fund supports our beautiful Masonic Home in Utica, the Masonic Medical Research Foundation, the Masonic Youth Program and the Military and Veterans Hospital Program. These are all activities of which we as Masons can be extremely proud.

Your support is urgently needed to continue and expand these worthwhile programs. Expenses over the past few years have exceeded income, causing us to use some of the principle from our endowment funds just to meet current expenses. This cannot continue forever. That's why our slogan this year should be "LET'S ALL GIVE MORE IN '74."

We realize, that for some of you on a limited income, this may be difficult. But remember, every dollar counts. Give what you can, but give something. We'd like to see every brother in Monroe County on the honor roll this year.

Look into your heart and pocket, Brethren, and let's make this the best campaign ever.

Fraternally,  
Bob Jackson,  
Fred Stahl,  
Chairmen, Monroe Districts

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## LET'S GO VISITING

JANUARY 1974

- 3 - Webster Lodge - Installation of Officers.
- 3 - Genesee Falls - Installation of Officers 7:30 P.M.
- 4 - Monroe Commandery - Regular Conclave.
- 4 - W.C. Hubbard - Euchre Tournament.
- 7 - Corinthian - Installation of Officers 7:30 P.M.
- 7 - J.A. Robertson - Installation of Officers.
- 8 - Fame - Installation of Officers.
- 8 - Webster Chapter - Installation of Officers.
- 8 - Flower City - Installation of Officers preceded by Banquet 6 P.M.
- 8 - East Rochester - Installation of Officers - Dinner 6:30 P.M.
- 8 - Orpheus - Installation of Officers.
- 9 - Ancient Craft - Installation of Officers - Dinner.
- 9 - Churchville - Installation of Officers.
- 10 - J.A. Hard Post - Post meeting 7:30 P.M.
- 10 - Zetland - Open meeting.
- 10 - Hamilton Chapter - Installation of Officers.
- 11 - Cyrene - Annual Conclave.
- 12 - Masters & Wardens Winter Party at Logans.
- 13 - J.A. Hard Post - V.A. Hospital at Canandaigua, 1:30 P.M.
- 14 - Wakan - Installation of Officers.
- 14 - Fairport - Installation of Officers - Dinner 6:30 P.M.
- 14 - Rochester - Installation of Officers.
- 15 - Charlotte - Installation of Officers.
- 15 - Germania Lodge of Perfection - 15 Degree.
- 15 - Penfield - Installation of Officers.

### MASTER'S & WARDEN'S ASSOCIATION WINTER BALL

JANUARY 12, 1974

LOGAN'S PARTY HOUSE

Be sure to turn in your reservations for the Masters & Wardens' Winter Party to either Wor. Ken Buckland, 6923 Egan Rd., Honeoye Falls, N.Y. 14472 telephone 624-1308 or Wor. Gordon Davidson, 61 Tartarian Circle, Rochester, N.Y. 14612 telephone 225-4782.

My Dear Brethren:

My first thought is to wish you all a happy and prosperous new year. Second to thank you one and all in both districts for your support and kindness shown at my official and non-officials visits during the first six months of my term as D.D.G.M. I am looking forward to the remainder of my term with optimism that you will try to support your new officers with the enthusiasm that used to prevail.

In many of my official visits I was present when the Master read the names of the brethren who were eligible to receive their 25 year certificate, and most of you will agree the list was not a short one. Without our support and renewed interest to help the lodges, what will be the size of the list to be read in 1999. I'm sure with our co-operation to the new officers and their program we can help to make that list a sizeable one.

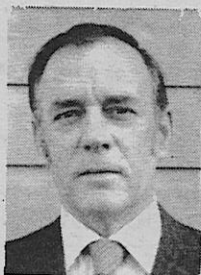
The pilgrimage to the Masonic Home at Utica, N.Y. on December 15th was a delightful journey. Our two special buses and service was without a flaw, everybody was happy and social, a fine spirit of brotherhood prevailed. The tour of the home and facilities was enjoyed by all, especially the guests, who were delighted to see Santa and his helpers. Christmas carols were sung by the group as they walked through the halls to visit the guests from the two Monroe Districts. Each one was so pleased and happy to see someone from home.

To all the new Masters and Masters elect I want to congratulate you on your new position of honor and distinction and wish you and your officers a most successful year.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Myron L. Dox, D.D.G.M., First Monroe District

MYRON L.  
DOX  
D.D.G.M.  
1st MONROE  
DISTRICT



Dear Brethren:

There is a deep feeling of satisfaction knowing that all the outgoing Masters have tried to make their Masonic year a good year. Also, they tried their utmost to make all our Official Visits memorable and full of enthusiasm. We extend to all a real heartfelt "Thank You."

To the newly installed Masters we extend best wishes for a very fruitful year. We are confident that your designed programs will generate enthusiasm and good attendance during the ensuing year.

Congratulations are in order to Charlotte Lodge No. 1088 for having the best attendance during our Official Visits in both Monroe Districts.

May we urge each and every Master to work diligently with your Lodge Brotherhood Chairman on this year's Brotherhood Fund Drive. This is one area where the support of all Masonic brethren is particularly requested. On December 15, 1973, seventy-four members of our Craft and their wives, visited and brought good cheer and well wishes to the guests at the Utica Home. It was most inspiring to see the smiles on their faces and twinkles in their eyes as Santa wished them all a Very Merry Christmas. This is Masonry in action.

We shall again visit the various Lodges on an unofficial basis. We plan to make a colored slide presentation of Utica Home. R.W. Frank Fulreader has taken some wonderful shots and he wants to share his enthusiasm with all the brethren. "Know Your Product" is part of our battle to get more Masonic brethren inspired.

Goss Bless you all in the coming year and may it be one of Joy and Success for all of us.

Fraternally,

John T. Skalny, D.D.G.M., Second Monroe District

JOHN T.  
SKALNY  
D.D.G.M.  
2nd  
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# The Master's Prayer



**LORD, THOU KNOWEST BETTER** than I know myself that I am growing older and will some day be old. Keep me from the fatal habit of thinking I must say something on every subject and on every occasion. Release me from craving to straighten out everybody's affairs. Make me thoughtful but not moody, helpful but not bossy. With my vast store of wisdom, it seems a pity not to use it all, but Thou knowest, Lord, that I want a few friends at the end.

**KEEP MY MIND** free from the recital of endless details; give me wings to get to the point. Seal my lips on my aches and pains. They are increasing and love of rehearsing them is becoming sweeter as the years go by. I dare not ask for grace enough to enjoy the tales of others' pains but help me to endure them with patience.

**I DARE NOT ASK** for improved memory but for a growing humility and a lessening cocksureness when my memory seems to clash with the memories of others. Teach me the glorious lesson that occasionally I may be mistaken.

**KEEP ME** reasonably sweet; I do not want to be a Saint — some of them are so hard to live with — but a sour old person is one of the crowning works of the devil. Give me the ability to see good things in unexpected places and talents in unexpected people. And give me, Lord, the grace to tell them so. **AMEN.**

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# CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

by Rev. William H. McKee

## A NEW PAGE

We have just completed another year. December is the month in which we observe Hanukah and the birth of Christ, both joyous occasions brightened by age old traditions of the lighting of candles gradually increasing the number until the accepted number has been reached. Both occasions accorded man new light and new beginnings were heralded.

In the realm of nature the run reached the time when we received the least light as winter officially begins; the sun is now returning in our direction bringing longer days and more sunshine.

Around the world in every land New Year is an occasion for rejoicing-a time to look back at the year ending that we may plan to avoid the mistakes of 1973 as well as plan for a year richer in worship and service for our Creator, as well as a greater sharing in brotherhood in 1974.

As we all know there are many different days in other lands observed as New Years. Recently I noted in a New Years feature story, that one of the Oriental countries which observes and dedicates each year to some animal or bird was opening the "Year of the Rat." I sincerely hope that the term "rat" has a different meaning in that country-that the year of the rat is not a disastrous one.

Many years ago Kathleen Wheeler wrote a short poem "A New Leaf" of which the closing verse reads

I went to the Throne with a quivering soul,  
The old year was done.  
"Dear Father, hast Thou a new leaf for me?  
I have spoiled this one."  
He took the old leaf, stained and blotted,  
And gave me a new one all unspotted,  
And into my sad heart smiled,  
"Do better, now my child."

To all members of the Temple, the Church, our Fraternity, 1974 is given as a new leaf all unspotted. May every one of us do better in the service of our heavenly Father as we move among all who are the children of the Kingdom here on earth.

We have a new day given us every morning in that coming year for worship of our Creator, to share with all of His creation, and live as children of Light.

"Do better, now my child."



## Dear Brother Herman

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

**Q.** The Senior Warden of our Lodge has suffered a severe illness, which will confine him for several months. Could he be installed by proxy, or in a ceremony at the hospital or his home.

**A.** The Master cannot be installed by proxy (all other officers may be installed by proxy). Installation ceremony must be in a tiled lodge, and cannot be in a hospital or home.

You may elect the Senior Warden as Master, and let the present Master continue to serve until the Master-elect is ready for installation. At that time request from the Grand Master dispensation to hold installation at that time.

Another method would be to elect the Junior Warden as Master, and elect and install the brother in question a year later.

A less desirable method would be to elect a Past Master to serve as Master, and elect the brother the following year. This would hold back the entire line a full year.

# Masonic Service Bureau

I would like to thank everyone who volunteered their time and energy to work on our various projects in December. The Christmas trip to Utica was an outstanding success, and I was only hoarse for three days after the song-fest on the way home! Your many efforts to brighten Christmas for the patients at Canandaigua were very much appreciated, as were the Christmas baskets for needy families made possible by your many contributions of food and money, as well as your assistance in distributing them. We continue to request your support for the monthly ward parties at Canandaigua, where by spending just a few hours on the second Sunday of each month you can help relieve the tedium of day-to-day hospital living. Why not join us on Sunday, January 13?

By the time this is published, the Joint Investiture Service for the new Masters

will be completed, and several of the Lodges will have already installed their officers for -974. The rest will be installed during the coming two weeks. We offer our sincere congratulations to these men as to the newly elected and installed Worthy Matrons, Royal Matrons, Queens, Commanders, Monarchs, Potentates, and all the other titles with which we honor the chosen leaders of the various branches of our fraternal life. We wish them all the very best of luck and success in the year ahead, and we hope that every member will support them in their various activities and programs.

To each and every one we extend wishes for a very Happy New Year, and hope you all remember our slogan in the Masonic Service Bureau - Let's Do More in '74! William R. Zufall, Executive Director

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## THE ROCHESTER MASONIC STAMP CLUB

The Masonic Stamp Club of Rochester has received word from the Masonic Home at Utica that the Stamp Club at the Home along with the Utica Stamp Club sponsored a show which was held at the Home.

According to the Masonic Home Spotlight, a paper published at the home, 150 were in attendance. A speaker from Sydney, N.Y., was the major attraction. Although the speaker was late in arriving and the lights went out for a short while it did not shatter in any way the fun and mood of the day.

Also present at the affair were 16 young people from the Jewish Community Center who were interested in

starting a stamp club. Tentative plans were discussed on coordinating a future meeting on "How to Collect Stamps."

What also made the day complete for the Club members at the Home was the fact that Mr. Jim Winham, a Club member, won 2nd prize for Masonry on Stamps.

The reason the Rochester Masonic Stamp Club is so proud of the achievement is the fact that we in Rochester have sent thousands of stamps to the club at the Masonic Home and the Shriners Crippled Children's Hospital in Massachusetts. If you have any used stamps on hand why don't you leave them at the Temple and the Stamp Club will see that they are shipped to the recipients. We have been fortunate in enlisting the help of a courier who travels to Utica frequently so don't hesitate to assist us in such a worthy cause.

Sincerely,  
Stuart T. Boyce



# LODGE *news and views*

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No. 964

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### MASTER'S MESSAGE

Brethren,

It is with a great deal of humility and a sense of responsibility that I address you as Master of Warren C. Hubbard Lodge #964. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the confidence placed in electing me your Master for the ensuing year of 1974.

It is a great honor and with pleasure I accept this office and promise I will do my utmost to fulfill your trust.

I pledge to each of you, I will endeavor to maintain the high standards set by my predecessors and that with your aid and assistance I will try to make your meetings interesting. There are many functions planned for the coming months. Our Jr. Warden has a very active social calendar planned for you. Your presence is vital if it is to be a success. All the activities and planning are to no avail if the Brothers of this Lodge are not here to participate and enjoy them. So keep a sharp eye to the South.

I am looking forward to meeting each and everyone of you. If transportation is a problem or if you have any message to communicate to Lodge feel free to call me at 594-8098. I will make every effort possible to arrange transportation for you or convey your message in Lodge.

In closing, I wish everyone a healthy, happy and prosperous New Year. Fraternally yours,  
Salvatore Spano

Since the last issue of the Ashlar there has been a change of location for the annual Steak Dinner. The new location is the Lyons Den, 4232 Ridge Road West between Elmgrove Road and Manitou Road. The price of the dinner will be \$7.50 which includes tax, tip, and Fellowcraft Club dues for the year of 1974.

The date of this occasion is Friday evening, January 11, 1974 at 6:30 p.m. Please call Bro. Charlie Farish at 247-6577 or Bro. Ray Jay at 663-5677 for reservations. We would like to have all reservations in by January 4th with the money if possible.

At this affair we are going to present a program for the year which we feel is outstanding. Hope to see and hear from as many brothers as possible. Hope you are able to attend.

Fraternally,  
Charles R. Farish

**SENECA LODGE**

No. 920

3rd Tuesday

### MASTER'S MESSAGE

Brethren:

Here is hoping that the year 1974 will bring to all of you the best of health, happiness and success.

I would like to express my deepest gratitude to all the brothers for the privilege of serving as Master of Seneca Lodge for 1974. Following in the footsteps of Wor. Bro. Bill Russell, offers a challenge to me that I cannot see how I can equal. Wor. Bro. Bill had an excellent year, and his leadership, enthusiasm, dedication and perfection was of the very best.

I would like to thank Wor. Bros. Harry Kittredge for serving as Installing Master and Wor. Bro. Robert McCarty as Installing Marshal. They did a very excellent and capable job. Also my thanks to R. Wor. Bro. Norman Selke for a great performance as the Master for the Investiture Service.

In 1974 over and above a full program of activities, I am going to make a supreme effort to achieve two goals.

First-to increase Lodge attendance and participation.

Second-to greatly increase our contribution in both numbers and total to the Brotherhood Fund.

To start to increase Lodge attendance starting with our Jan. meeting certain years will be honored each month. Brothers who have either been raised in Seneca, or affiliated with Seneca during these years will be honored. At our dinner a roll call will be made, and the Brothers present will be escorted into Lodge in a body, and given proper honors. Four different brothers each month will be in charge to call or contact each brother and do whatever they can to get as many there as possible. A scoreboard will be kept for each month, and a prize will be awarded for the members of the winning month at the December meeting in 1974. If we all get in the spirit of this contest we can not only have a lot of fun, but get to see many of our Brothers we have missed in Lodge.

To increase participation in the Brotherhood Fund, our Chairman Bro. Dod Rowe is planning interesting mailing pieces to spell out the great need for all Masons to give to this fund as generously as he can. Also a personal call program will be put in operation. You all will be hearing much more from me concerning this matter, as I am completely convinced of the need for greater participation to this fund as Masons.

Our Fellowcraft Club under the able direction of Bro. Ward Wright, Bro. Dan Johnston and Bro. Dan Gebel, are planning a full schedule of fun activities starting in Feb. with the winter party at Cecil Hills on Saturday Feb.



**GERMANIA LODGE**

No. 722

2nd and 4th Wednesdays

Dear Brethren:

This will be my last message to you. I want to thank each and everyone of you for the privilege of serving you as master. Special thanks to my officers and the brethren who helped me. I would like to wish all of you a Happy & Prosperous New Year.

Our annual meeting and election of officers was held on Dec. 12th and the following were elected to serve for the ensuing year.

W: Master- Norman Hegadorn; Sr. Warden-Frank Arnold; Jr. Warden- Charles Pflaum; Treas.-Donald Freeman; Sec.-Harold Weimer. Trustee 3 yrs.-Don Krech; Trustee 2 yrs. Willard Neidermaier; Rep. to Temple Board-Don Walzer.

Our Annual Xmas party was held Dec. 8th in the Masonic ballroom. We had another fine party for the children and a fine attendance. I want to thank all of those for their donations for the party.

On Jan. 9th we will have the Installation of Officers. This is a very special night for the new master and his officers. Please make a special effort to attend and give your support to the new master.

Fraternally,  
W.M. Wayne Cowell

### SICKNESS & DISTRESS

W. Hurzrock, Baird Nursing Home; Karl Gail, Pavilion Nursing Home; Russ Haney, home; Wm. S. Staudenmaier, Brightonian Nursing Home.

2 or 9th, and a Masonic Theatre Night at the Community Players on Sunday Feb. 24th.

Also the January meeting will be our annual Ladies Night at Lodge, and the entertainment is being planned by our Jr. Warden Bro. Ray Whitely. Knowing Ray the way I do all I can say is don't miss this meeting.

I would also like to welcome our new Marshal Bro. Ed Miller and wish him well in his journey through the line.

In closing may I say that with such dedicated Past Masters, such enthusiastic line officers, and such loyal and helpful Brothers of Seneca how can I help but have a good year. God Bless you all.

Fraternally,  
Hal R. Miller, Master

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### FROM THE EAST

I am writing at the close of my year as Master to thank all who helped me in carrying out the programs for 1973. I extend a special word of thanks to our Wardens, Secretary, Treasurer, Trustees and the officers of the line. Our committees have served loyally and responsibly, and I have found them most helpful and encouraging. I should also like to mention Bro. Nick Vlahos, tiler and Bro. Stanley Cooley, organist, without whom we could not have functioned normally.

As these final days of 1973 come, I urge you to support our incoming Master, Bro. Edward Shaw. From all the plans I hear, I know he is going to bring you the very best for Corinthian Temple Lodge in 1974.

Fraternally yours,  
Blair P. Cossman, Master

### FROM THE WEST

I greet you this month as Master-elect of Corinthian Temple No. 805 for the ensuing year of 1974. Installation will take place Monday evening, January 7th, 1974, in Doric Hall, with the Lodge opening at 7:30 p.m. It seems such a short time ago that I was made a Master Mason and suddenly it is time to be seated in the East. Following the Installation, refreshments and a lunch will be served in the third floor dining room. A schedule of meetings for the year will be available at this meeting make sure you have a copy.

I look forward to a very successful year for the Lodge and with your help in attending all stated communication, I am sure it will be.

Monday, January 21st, 1974, representatives of the New York State Police will be seated with us as Master Masons and give an interesting talk at the conclusion of the Lodge meeting. Plans are being made for a Gala Ladies Night to be held in May at the Party House. The Family picnic is again in June. Preparations are being formulated to honor our Patriarch's.

May I urge you to be most generous in your contributions to the BROTHERHOOD FUND so that our elders residing at the Masonic Home may have the joy of leading a full life by adding years to Life.

In closing may I wish you and your family a Happy Holiday Season and a New Year of good tidings.

Fraternally,  
Edward R. Shaw,  
Senior Warden

### SECRETARY'S CORNER

I would like to take this opportunity to wish each and every member of the Lodge a Happy and Prosperous New Year. Let's all make a resolution to come out to Lodge this year to support the officers.

January Birthdays for our members are as follows: Arthur Argyries, Harold Arlidge, Sr., C. Coleman Austin, William Borate, Howard

**HENRIETTA LODGE No. 526**

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**2nd and 4th Tuesdays**

Brethren:

As Master Elect of Henrietta Lodge, I hope that you and your family have had a joyous holiday season and wish you all a happy and prosperous New Year.

I wish to thank the brethren of Henrietta Lodge for electing me as Master for 1974. My congratulations to our Master, W: Bro. Martin Reitz upon the completion of a very good year.

W: Bro. Robert Sanford was the recipient of the Master Mason of the Year Award for 1973. A plaque was presented to W: Bro. Sanford at our Annual Communication in December.

My congratulations to Bros. Melvin Simmons and Lawrence Miller as our newly elected Sr. and Jr. Wardens. Bro. Stephen Coats has been elected President, W: Bro. Harold Gruschow, Vice President and W: Bro. Frank Cromarty, Secretary/Treasurer of the Fellowcraft Club. W: Bro. Martin Reitz, W: Bro. Robert Sanford and Bro. William Simpson are our newly elected trustees.

Sickness & Distress should be made known to the Master or Wardens.

Dues for 1974 are now past due. Support your Lodge by paying your dues promptly or better yet, come to Lodge on the 2nd or 4th Tuesday and talk with R:W: Joe Raab and/or W: Bro. Roy Lloyd and enjoy an evening of fellowship with us.

Fraternally,  
John L. Armendinger  
Master Elect

Briggs, Kenneth Butters, Elmer Carroll, David Cordy, Stuart Evans (Master 1946), Walter Falen, Carl Hjertstrom, Stanley Hoke, Edward Huck, David Hunt, Karl Jansan, Donald Judd, Charles Karlik, Paul Kopp (Master 1965), Irvin Kressman, Earl LaForce, Edward Lamb (Master 1927), William Lewis, Charles Lynch, Jr., Alois Mauser, Bernard Meyer, Paul Missal, George Reiner, Thomas Robertson, Leonard Schmeer, Sr., Norman Shapiro, Walter Shields, Leonard Teeman III, Robert Van As, Roger Van Wuyckhuysen and Raymond White.

It was my unpleasant task to unaffiliate 5 Brothers for non-payment of dues last year. I don't like to keep harping on this subject but it is necessary to keep the Brothers aware of the problems that we are faced with. If dues are paid on time and are not let go for a few years, it doesn't come to the choice of paying a few years or just forgetting about all the years of membership and letting them go down the proverbial drain by unaffiliation. Please give this a great deal of thought.

My first year as your Secretary is over and it definitely has been an education on the workings behind the scenes of the lodge. There is a lot of detail to look after and with the passing of time I feel confident that I will be able to serve you better with innovations from time to time.

Fraternally,  
Bertram M. Steene,  
Secretary

**UNION STAR LODGE No. 320**

**1st Wednesday**

Brethren:

A new year is upon us and also a new Master. I hope you all had a very Merry Christmas and I wish you all a happy and prosperous New Year.

I would like to thank you all for electing me as Master for the ensuing year. I appreciate the honor to serve and lead Union Star Lodge this coming year.

I would like to congratulate Wor. Bro. Ken Buckland for the unusually fine job he has done this past year as Master of Union Star Lodge and I hope I can somewhat approach the fine way he has led our Lodge.

As a start I would appreciate any suggestions from all the Brothers as to anything you would like to see accomplished this coming year. Write to me at 3 BLEACKER RD., Rochester, 14609 or call me at 467-1789 and give me your wishes as to what you would prefer to see done in our lodge this year Ladies Nite, Family Picnic, Golf, Bowling, Cards, etc.

I also would like to ask for your attendance this year at lodge. I would sure like to see some of the Brothers that I have never seen in Lodge to make a special effort to attend at least one or two meetings or degrees this coming year. If you come you might find you will enjoy it and become active again.

Speaking of attendance our Annual Installation of Officers will be done at our Jan. 2nd meeting. There will be a dinner served at 7:00 preceding the ceremonies. I know Bro. Boyd Gray have one of his always fine dinners. Call him for reservations at 624-3499.

I would like to thank Bro. Charles Scott for his many faithful years as Tiler of Union Star Lodge. Twenty-three years to be exact if I am not mistaken. He has done a wonderful job and has earned a just retirement.

My wife Edith and I would like to thank the Past Masters for our enjoyable dinner and their hospitality when we were invited to their annual meeting in November.

Don't forget the Brotherhood Fund this year. Mail your contributions to a very worthy cause to Chairman Bro. Raymond Sipple.

Fraternally,  
Harris Nesbitt,  
Incoming Master

Brethren:

I was extremely pleased to see many of you out at our Annual Communication and dinner. Union Star Lodge extended its congratulations to many of its Brothers that evening. Bro. Harry Eberly was present to receive his 50 year pin and greatly deserved. Brothers Royal Amann and Gaylord Osborn were also recipients of 50 years of service to the craft but were unable to be present for the presentation by R:W: Harley Rittenhouse. W: Bro. Art Ruby (Master 1948) presented 25 year certificates to the Brothers raised during his year as Master. They were R: W: Ralph Gray, W: G. Walter Simcox, and Roy Saxman. Congratulations 50 & 25 year Brothers.

Congratulations to our newly elected officers, who will be installed as such on January 2, 1974. They are:

Master - Bro. Harris Nesbitt; Sr. Warden - Bro. Ray Sipple; Jr. Warden - Bro. Jack McGirr; Treasurer - W: Bro. Dick Arnold; Secretary - W: Bro. Carlton Lester; Trustee - R: W: Ralph Gray.

Congratulations also go to our present and newly appointed line officers. We are extremely fortunate to have these dedicated Brothers as officers of Union Star Lodge and we should all do our most in supporting them. Let's all try harder in '74.

This is my last communication to you in the Masonic News and it is extremely hard to sum up my year as Master in words that would express my true feelings and gratitude to Union Star for giving me the opportunity to serve as Master. I sincerely thank all my officers and committees for their support, and to all the brothers for their support.

Last and most of all I sincerely thank my father, Bro. Merwin Buckland, for his presenting me to the Greatest Fraternity of all Brotherhood, Masonry.

Sincerely and fraternally,  
Kenneth E. Buckland,  
Master, 1973

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**EAST ROCHESTER LODGE**

**No. 1020**

**2nd & 4th Tuesday**

Brethren:

Your lodge have given me the honor of nominating me as your master for this coming year. I want to express my appreciation for having this honor bestowed upon me. I pledge to invest my very best effort in your behalf during this term of office.

Your Senior Warden Elect Tom Formicola, Junior Warden Elect Merle Rogers and I will be planning a hopefully exciting and full schedule of events for your entertainment through the year. We will be asking for your support, participation and help.

The Lodge will be having a dinner meeting for Installation Night, January 8th, 1974 at 6:30 P.M. Dinner reservations should be called in to either Brother Tom Formicola at 586-2286 or Brother Bob Emmons at 586-0737 by January 2nd, 1974. The ladies of the East Rochester Order of the Eastern Star, Chapter #539 will be putting on the delicious dinner. With the holiday season past, it will be a great way to start the New Year with a renewed fellowship with your brothers on this important night. Lodge will open at 8 o'clock this evening.

Our class of Candidates should be ready to be passed to Fellowcraft by the 22nd of January. Brother Tom Formicola will be in the East for this important event. Really plan on coming out for this.

Brother Gordon Hoag, your Brotherhood Chairman and Lodge Secretary for 1974, reports he has received his kit from Grand Lodge with all the necessary material to execute his campaign. We pride ourselves, in these enlightened days, that we subscribe to the principle that the elderly MUST be properly cared for during their twilight years. The question is HOW MUCH ARE WE WILLING TO PAY IN SUPPORT OF THAT PRINCIPLE? You can answer that question by giving your contribution NOW to the Brotherhood Fund. If you wish you can designate the Home, the Laboratory or any allocation listed. The important thing is to GIVE and put your money where your principles are! Send your contribution to Brother Gordon L. Hoag, 6 Fiora Drive, East Rochester, N.Y. 14445. Of course, it's tax deductible.

Brother Carl F. Holzworth, our latest recipient of the Fifty Year Membership Award pin, has suffered a slight stroke. He is home and would probably appreciate cards and calls from all his brothers.

Praying everyone has had a very happy holiday, let's give the Lodge its full share of our efforts and support.

Fraternally,  
Robert Emmons,  
Master Elect

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Bro. Norman Nogaj presents the Grand Lodge Fellowship Bowling Trophy to Charlotte Lodge. Rt. Wor. John Skalny, D.D.G.M., received the trophy on behalf of the Lodge while making one of his many visitations to the Lodges in the Second Monroe District.

### CHARLOTTE LODGE No. 1088 1st and 3rd Tuesdays

#### MASTERS MESSAGE

Brethren,

I wish to thank all who were in attendance at Lodge on The Official visit of the DDGM. We have won the Trophy for the third time and it is now ours to keep. Rt. Wor. John Skalny will make the official presentation on our first meeting on Jan. 15th the same nite as the installation of officers for 1974. It would be most pleasing if we have a large attendance for this also.

Congratulations are in order to Bro. Norman Nogaj and all the members of his Bowling team for having won the N.Y. State Masonic Bowling Tournament.

Brethren it has been a pleasure to serve as Master of Charlotte Lodge. I wish to thank all who have made this year such a memorable experience. I have always considered myself fortunate to be a member of Charlotte and am proud of its many accomplishments. To the Officers of 1974 I wish you continued success and to all a Happy and prosperous New Year.

Gordon G. Davidson,  
Master, 1973

The Charlotte team won first place in the 1973 "New York State Masonic Bowling Tournament" held in Albany, N.Y. Their scores of 2808 Scratch and 3129 with handicap won first place in both categories. Team members were Norman Nogaj, Walter Pagel, George Bailey, Howard Schroth and Edward Grantman.

The 50th Golden Anniversary of the tournament will be held in the spring in Utica, N.Y. in 1974.

#### SECRETARY'S NOTEBOOK

A Happy New Year to all my Brethren. The New Year is the time for resolutions, lets schedule on our new calendars the First and Third Tuesdays to attend Lodge. We averaged 50 present per communication in 1973. Surely we can do better than that.

Our Worshipful Master Robert Thrash has a most

interesting year planned for 1974. Come out and enjoy the fellowship that prevails in our meetings.

The Fellow Craft Team needs members. They need you. Watch for their meeting dates. You'll be made most welcome.

If you were in Lodge on December 4th you heard R. W. Frank Fulreader speak on the need for stamps for the Shrine Crippled Childrens Hospital in Springfield, Mass. and at the Masonic Home in Utica. Bring your stamps to Lodge with you and put them in the envelope on my desk. I'll see that they are delivered to the Stamp Club Offices.

A class of Five candidates are scheduled to receive their First Degree on January 29. We'd like to see you in Lodge. Your officers need your support.

Lets also resolve to get our dues paid. Some of you have not paid for 1973. A check to me will be most appreciated.  
Fraternally,  
Everett W. Van Putte,  
Secretary

#### FROM THE SOUTH

Jan. 15-Installation of Officers. This is an important night in our Lodge. It is also a good way to show your newly installed officers that they have your support for the year 1974.

Jan. 19-Open Installation-Family and Friends.

On Saturday evening at 7:00 p.m. W. Bro. Robert Thrash is having an open installation at Charlotte Lodge. Bro. Bob is a dedicated and hard working officer who is very deserving of this honor. There is nothing that Bro. Bob would appreciate more than to have the Lodge filled to capacity. Everyone is invited. I hope to see all of you for this memorable event.

Jan. 29-1st Degree; 1st Class.

W. Bro. Bob Thrash will be in the East.

Feb. 5-Open meeting with entertainment.

I would like to thank everyone for their support during the past year. May each and everyone of you have a happy and prosperous New Year.

Fraternally,  
Leonard Mack,  
Jr. Warden

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

Dear Brothers:

This is my first attempt at writing the masters message for our Monroe Masonic News and I sincerely hope that you will enjoy reading this one and those that follow each month.

As you know I am writing this as your Senior Warden with hopeful expectation of being elected as your Master at the next meeting. I hope that the year 1974 will be a happy and prosperous year both in our own families and our Masonic family. I hope that we can have a great year together and I am sure that this will be possible if we all work together in brotherly love.

I would like to take this opportunity to invite each and everyone of you to the Installation of Officers on Jan. 3, 1974 at 7:30 p.m. which will be preceded by a dinner at 6:30 in the 3rd floor dining room.

My thanks and deepest appreciation to all of you my brothers for making Worshipful Brother George Schneider's year as master a successful one. Without all of your support I'm sure it would have been very difficult.

It was real nice to see so many Past Masters at the meeting of Dec. 6th. I would also like to thank the members of the James A. Hard Post #18, Masonic War Veterans for the very nice memorial service they put on at the same meeting.

If I am elected as Master, I am looking forward to being able to do a good job in the East and I am sure this can be done if we all work together and stretch forth a hand to help a brother.

If any Brother knows of a Brother in sickness or distress or in need of our aid or sympathy I would be very happy if they would call me at 328-5580.

Sincerely & fraternally,  
Lawrence F. Geith,  
Sr. Warden

#### TRESTLEBOARD

Jan. 3-Installation 7:30 - Dinner 6:30.

Jan. 17-Regular Meeting 7:30 - Yearly Plans.

Jan. 24-Fellowcraft Club 7:00 - Georges Restaurant, Hudson Ave.

Feb. 7-First Degree 7:30 - Master in the East.

Feb. 21-Regular Meeting 7:30 - Cards & Movies

#### CALLED HOME BY THE SUPREME ARCHITECT

Bro. Harvey P. Rahn,  
Raised Oct. 14, 1943

Called Home Nov. 18, 1973

Bro. Carl E. Hauser  
Raised Dec. 3, 1925

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

As Master Elect, I will wish you all had a Happy Holiday with the best wishes for a happy & healthy New Year 1974.

Our annual meeting produced the election of line officers for 1974 as follows: Master, William K. Gersley; Senior Warden, Lloyd E. Walker; Junior Warden, Charles N. Waterstreet; Secretary, Wor. Bro. Merl W. Nulton; Treasurer, Wor. Bro. Thomas L. Davis, and Trustee, Wor. Bro. Duncan MacPherson.

A word of welcome to Terry Lee Ramsey to our Lodge, he being raised to Master Mason on the 3rd of December, 1073. His father, Bro. Robert Ramsey, came in from Illinois to assist in the raising ceremony of the sublime degree. Bro. Lloyd Walker, as always, did a noble job executing the third degree with the able assistance of the officers & brethren.

John A. Robertson Lodge will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary of existence in 1974 and plans are being formulated to honor this occasion. An evening dinner dance with entertainment will be the highlight for this occasion. I do hope you will plan now to be in attendance to help make a desired success. Committees are being formed and if there are any brethren who are willing and able to assist this program, kindly present your desires as we will need some assistance to make this a total success.

The average Master Mason they tell me, is about 39 around the chest, 40 around the waist, 96 around the golf course and a general nuisance around the house. Every first and third Mondays of each month, John A. Robertson Lodge has their meetings, so this is a place where we need a little of your nuisance. Our after meeting sessions of fellowship is growing more intimate with a lunch and your favorite refreshment to keep the ball rolling, so in 1974 make a better endeavor to join us. Your officers are eager to have more on the side lines to make their efforts worth their while.

Fraternally,  
William K. Gersley,  
Master Elect

Bro. Myron Estes and his wife Ernestine are spending the Christmas Holidays with their daughter Nancy in Florida.

Our Worshipful Duncan MacPherson has just returned from his vacation in the sunny South.

The response to our billing for 1974 Dues has been most gratifying, however, we still

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

Brethren,

As you read this 1973 is history, a year which saw many changes in the status of the world. We in Masonry are fortunate that things are not so chaotic in the Craft. This is the time when Masters who are soon to be has been start to think of all the things that they could have done. It is said that morning quarterbacks win all their games. All I can say is that I received all the support that I asked. The line officers, the sideliners responded with a willingness which is, I feel, unique to the Masonic Fraternity.

The election of officers was held on Dec. 18th, which was a week after the deadline for material for the paper. I feel certain that it will be safe to say that Bro. Wayne Slack was elected Master of Penfield Lodge for 1974. The installation of officers will be on Jan. 15, a dinner will precede the meeting. As you have read elsewhere in the paper R. W. Fred Wolfe has been appointed Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Florida near the Grand Lodge of New York. The presentation of his commission will be made by R. W. Myron L. Dox, DDGM at the installation. If you plan to attend the dinner please make reservations with the Master or Wardens.

We are indebted to Bro. Don Morgan for his work with the DeMolay. The Genesee Chapter will be meeting at the lodge rooms on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month, why not come over and see their work?

My Brothers, I am saddened to report the death of two of our members. Wor. Bro. Ivan Forslin and Bro. Leonard Faust were called by the Supreme Architect to the Eternal Lodge.

May I, once again, express my appreciation for the opportunity of serving as Master of Penfield Union Lodge. I know the newly elected line of officers will receive the same support that I did. Thank you.

Fraternally,  
Bruce Brainerd, Master

have a number of 1973 cards. Please check and see if you have yours.

Jan. 7, 1974 will be the Installation of our newly elected officers for the ensuing year, please make an effort to attend, our officers need your support. There will be a dinner at 6:30 PM please make reservations with Charles Waterstreet, phone 381-8020 or Merl Nulton, phone 436-3311.

Bro. Charles Webster is at home recuperating from a recent stay in the hospital.

R. W. Nathan Morrell is back in circulation after his recent stay in the hospital.

Bro. Malcolm Nulton will be layed up for some time with an injury to his right arm, he had an accident with a storm door.

#### IN MEMORIAM

Bro. James Braneski passed away Oct. 9, 1973 at his home in Florida.

Bro. Ralph Matthew passed away Dec. 8, 1973 at his home in Waterloo, N.Y.

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**YONNONDIO LODGE**  
No. 163  
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### MASTER'S MESSAGE

Brethren,  
I look forward with anticipation and a great amount of awe to the coming year. I will try my best to serve the Lodge and its members to the best of my ability.  
I also wish to thank all of you for the trust you have placed in me.  
If you have any ideas, information, or talents which you think may help attendance or the workings of the Lodge, please feel free to tell them to me personally at a Lodge meeting or call me at home (244-2037) to discuss them.  
If you have any candidates for membership, please submit them in the prescribed manner.  
Feb. 1, 1974, is the "kick-off" date for the concentrated drive for the Brotherhood Fund. However, if you would like to make a contribution at this time, our Brotherhood Chairman is Larry Wiler, 23 Peck Road, Hilton, N.Y. 14468, phone 225-3034. He will be glad to give you a receipt for it.  
Tues. Jan. 15, 1974, will be Installation of Officers. Please plan to attend and support the officers of your Lodge and share in the programs to be offered.  
Sat. Jan. 19, 1974, 7:30 p.m. will be a public Installation of Officers in Gothic Hall, with a reception following in the third floor dining room. Please plan to attend with your families and friends and help to make Masonry something that people will be interested in and want to know more about.  
Fraternally,  
Frank Kelsey,  
Senior Warden

### FELLOWCRAFT CLUB NEWS

The first meeting of the new year will be a dinner meeting with election of officers Jan. 22, at Barnard Exempt. Dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. with cocktails at 6:00.  
Your Officer Nominating Committee, consisting of Frank Kelsey, Bob Galloway, Ray Cooper, and Carl Utrup, has nominated the following: President, William McVay; Vice president, Don Hage; Sec.-Treasurer, Bob Couse. Additional nominations will be accepted at the dinner meeting. Let's have a good turnout.  
At this time I would like to thank everyone for their support and help throughout the past year.  
Fraternally,  
Ed Barry, President

### FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

As we enter the year of 1974, I would be remiss if I did not express my appreciation for the confidence placed in me by electing me Secretary of Yonondio Lodge for the ensuing year. It is my promise to serve the Lodge and Brothers to the best of my ability.  
As we close the books on 1973, we find several Brothers who have neglected to pay their dues for two years, therefore, according to our

**ZETLAND LODGE**  
NO. 951  
2nd & 4th  
Thursdays



### FROM THE EAST

Brethren,  
I am hopeful that you all had a wonderful holiday.  
With the support of each Brother, 1974 will be a successful year. As you know, a lodge runs only as well as the support it receives from its members. The reputation Zetland Lodge has had and will always have, we should have no problem. I am therefore looking forward to and being Master for 1974.

### TRESTLEBOARD

Jan. 10 - Open Meeting; 24 - Open Meeting.

### BIRTHDAYS

Jan. 2 - Gunnar Johnson, Gilbert Hess; 4 - John Jack; 5 - Geo. Herbert, Harold Williamson; 7 - Henry Arva; 10 - Wm. Lindsay, Henry Sill; 11 - Milo Thomas; 13 - Walter Fellock, Cliff Sams; 14 - Frank Knowles; 15 - Herman Thomas; 18 - Howard Wilson; 19 - Ernest Wilson; 20 - Dwight Vandevate, Don Lewis, Wm. Nicastle; 21 - Julius Joss; 23 - Wm. Sanders; 24 - Carleton Ditzel; 29 - John O'wellen.

### SICKNESS & DISTRESS

I would like to extend the sympathy of the Lodge to Deacon Patterson in the passing of his mother.  
Also a Happy recovery to Nick Varlan and best wishes on his retirement.  
Best wishes and a speedy recovery to Ken Myers on his operation.

By-Laws, they must be dropped from membership. If for any reason you are one, contact your Secretary for valuable information.  
The newly-elected Master and Officers, have worked diligently and sincerely to arrange for the Brothers, interesting meetings and social events, your support is earnestly solicited and your attendance will bring success for their programs.  
An item of utmost importance is new members, a petition will be mailed to you or you may pick one up at the Secretary's desk. Today the question is, "why aren't you a Mason?" Let us work together to build Yonondio Lodge No. 163, F.&A.M.  
R: W: Barton S. Horner  
Secretary

### TRESTLEBOARD

Jan. 1, 1974 - No meeting (Holiday).  
Jan. 15, 1974 - Installation of Officers.  
Jan. 19, 1974 - Public Installation of Officers (Sat. night, 7:30 p.m.).  
Jan. 22, 1974 - Fellowcraft Dinner Meeting, Barnard Exempt.  
Feb. 5, 1974 - Past Masters and Candidates Night.

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**ROCHESTER LODGE**  
No. 660  
2nd and 4th Mondays

Brethren,  
As my year as Master of Rochester Lodge comes to an end, I cannot but reminisce about the events that took place during the past year. It was an experience that was richly rewarding and an education in itself.  
I would like to express my gratitude to ALL the Brothers for the splendid cooperation and assistance that I received. Not once did any Brother refuse me anything that I asked him to do; many even altered their personal plans in order to help. Especially, I would like to thank W: Bro. Merritt Sweet and W: Bro. Donald Leisten for the many times they filled in as Officers and the assistance they gave as the Ritual Committee. Also, I should like to express gratitude to W: Bro. Lew Fonte for his help and guidance throughout the year.

The Annual Summons Communication was held on December 10 at which time the following Officers were elected for the ensuing year: Master, Bro. Richard Zorn; Senior Warden, Bro. George Adams; Junior Warden, Bro. Edward Garrett; Secretary, W: Bro. Louis Fonte; and Treasurer, W: Bro. John Waldock. I congratulate all of these Brothers on their election to these important offices and assure them that I shall support and assist them in any way I am able.  
At our Communication of November 26 the Second Degree of Masonry was conferred upon Bro. Richard Fuller by our Junior Warden, Bro. George Adams in the East with the Middle Chamber Lecture being given by our Senior Deacon, Bro. Edward Garrett. Excellent work was done by both of these Brothers as well as by the other Brothers participating.  
I should like to wish all the Brethren a Happy and Fruitful New Year and again thank you for giving me the privilege of serving as Master of Rochester Lodge for 1973.  
Fraternally,  
Willard E. Garrett, Master

### TRESTLEBOARD

Jan. 7 - Fellowcraft Club Annual Meeting.  
Jan. 14 - Installation of Officers.  
Jan. 28 - Third Degree Master in the East - 2nd section by 1972 Past Masters' Degree Team.

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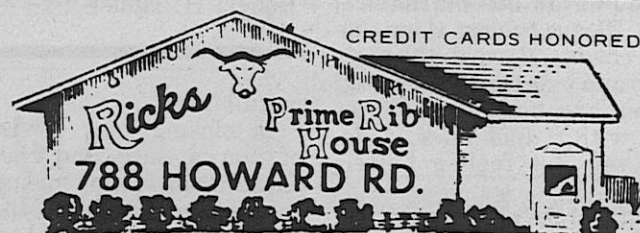
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**FAIRPORT LODGE**  
No. 476  
2nd and 4th Mondays

My Brethren,

As I write this letter to you I have many mixed emotions. To me this is the high spot of every Master Mason's goal. To become Master of his Lodge. As your Master elect I am no different than those who have preceded me. The honor that Fairport Lodge #476 has bestowed upon me I will ever be grateful for.

My emotions are. Will I be a good Master? Am I deserving? Will my Brethren support me as in the past? These are the several questions on my mind. When W. B. Ben Whirenigh asked me to be a Steward I promised him I would do the best to my ability. When elected Secretary several years ago I also did the best I could. W. Bro. Roger Scott asked me to be his Senior Deacon. I can say truly that I was thrilled and elated. I will always hold W. B. Roger in high esteem for his faith in me. Through my years in Masonry I have always tried to do my very best and to treat all Brother's as my true Brother's.

Time will tell and answer many questions. I think that I have planned an interesting year so far for our Lodge. There will be more functions with our ladies. A big nite will be on April 20th when the Royal Canadian Mounted Square Degree team will be at our Temple to exemplify the third degree. I want a busy and interesting year. Will you as members support me, and our line officer's.

One of my main goals this year is better communications. To often a Brother is sick or laid up and we don't know it for weeks later. Another goal is our Brotherhood Fund. We have been lax for years. Bro. Nels Venette is our Chairman and I do know that each and every one of you will be contacted. It is not how much you give, but give. Also, our building fund is lagging. We have one of the nicest Temples in the State. But we need your support to get out of debt and to help us in our improvements. If this year we could finish paying for our new gas heaters and the new roof recently installed my emotions would truly be on the positive side. Many of you have given and far to many haven't. We were looking for \$25 from each member but this has fallen short. Please Brother's be a Santa Claus and mail your check to W. B. Al Steffen.

Bro. Bill Carpentier was in town last week and we called on Bros. Frank Wood and Oscar Stenzel. Both are on the road to recovery. Called on Brother John Vanzandt last Sunday who is recovering from eye surgery. Bros. Roy Lamb and Harold Riddell are in Florida and on the sick list. Please cheer them up with cards. Heard through the grape vine that Bro. Doug Snyder has been in the hospital with a bad back. I do hope you are feeling better now.

On the 14th of January we will have our installation. A dinner served by our sisters of the O.E.S. will precede the meeting. Time 6:30 P.M. Please call me at 223-7636 or Nels Venette at 223-4974 for dinner reservations. On the 19th Saturday evening, 7:30 P.M. will be a public

**ORPHEUS LODGE**  
No. 1082  
2nd and 4th Tuesdays

Brethren,

As I try to compose this, my first article for the January 1974 Monroe Masonic News, I have not yet been elected Master of Orpheus Lodge, but I am fairly confident that by the time you read it I will have been elected.

On December 6th, my wife and I attended an open meeting of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, and were proud to be among the Senior Wardens and their ladies of the two Monroe Districts, who are expecting to serve as Worshipful Masters of their lodges this coming year of 1974, who were honored by the Brethren and Gentlemen of the Scottish Rite.

Each Senior Warden was presented with a handsome Masters Planning Manual which I know I will find extremely useful.

We viewed a Masonic Film entitled, "Whence Came You," which I would recommend to all the brethren. It was sort of "right up my alley" in as much as it was about two high school graduates, who take a six week tour of the country on motorcycles and encounter many aspects of Free Masonry.

A very nice luncheon was served afterwards and good fellowship was enjoyed by all.

I have just returned from our Annual Meeting in which our annual reports were accepted and new officers elected to their positions for the coming year:

Robert H. Holler, Master; William Dworkin, Senior Warden; Solomon Greenstein, Jr. Warden; P. Litchard Toland, Treasurer; Donald Johnson, Secretary; Marvin Holler, Senior Deacon; Charles McDonald, Junior Deacon; Albert Caplin, Chaplain; Samuel LaDuca, Senior Master of Ceremony; Patrick Mammon, Junior Master of Ceremony; Jack A. Holler, Marshal; Irving Meyer, Tiler.

Brethren, we are going to try to have an interesting and socially happy year. And all suggestions and help will be gratefully accepted. Speaking of help, Brother Solomon Greenstein would appreciate any help and all donations no matter how small for the Masonic Brotherhood Fund.

In ending this article I would like to thank all the brothers who were present at the election, and for giving me the honor of being their Master in 1974. I will try and do my best for you.

To the brothers who were not present at the election I look forward to seeing you at my Installation, January 8th and thereafter.

With friendship and brotherly love,  
Your Master,  
Robert H. Holler

installation.

In closing may I wish all of you a safe and cheerful Xmas and a Happy and peaceful prosperous and Masonic fulfilled year. May I say I don't want to be the greatest or best Master of Fairport Lodge. Just one of whom the members can say did a good job. To do this I NEED YOUR SUPPORT.

Sincerely, fraternally,  
G.K. Becker, Master Elect

**CLIO LODGE**  
No. 779  
1st & 3rd Tuesdays

Brethren:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the privilege of serving as Master of your Lodge. To me, it has been a very rewarding experience, one I shall always remember. My thanks also to the officers who served with me this past year. And to Ed Linaker, who also was in his first year as Secretary. I can only say "thanks."

On Dec. 4th, 1973, the Shrine Past Masters Degree Team was at Clio and conferred the 3° for Brothers Michael J. Ebner, 584 Clay Ave., Rochester and Donald A. Stilson, 604 Burritt Road, Hilton.

On leaving, I hope all the Brethren enjoyed a happy holiday season and that you all share a very prosperous New Year.

And just a few words for the Brotherhood Fund. Brethren, remember that life is precious and time is short—the people in the Masonic Home in Utica are reminded of this everyday. Please try to understand their situation. They went there knowing they would be well taken care of in their passing years, as any of you may do. Therefore, it is up to us to own up to our obligation to these people who are less fortunate than ourselves. Try to consider yourself as one of them—then think about it.

Happy New Year!  
Fraternally,  
David S. Partiss,  
Master

**CALLED HOME BY THE SUPREME ARCHITECT**

The sympathy of the Lodge is extended to the family of Evan Collamer, who was called home on Dec. 12, 1973.

**FROM THE WEST**

A new year is approaching which as in past years will be full of challenges for the officers of our Lodge.

It is my sincere hope that the program for the coming year will contain something of interest for everybody. Set aside this 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of every month and attend Lodge, bring a brother with you, and enjoy the fellowship that goes along with an after meeting. Lunch and Euchre game.

The program for the first 3 meetings of 1974 is as follows:

1st meeting Jan. 15-Installation of Officers. Dinner before meeting.

2nd meeting, Feb. 5-Business meeting. Guest speaker Wor. Maurice Solomon, "Masonry in Scotland"

3rd meeting, Feb. 19-First Degree conferred by the Sr. Warden

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of you and your families a happy holiday season and a healthy and prosperous New Year.

Fraternally,  
Stuart Brickman,  
Sr. Warden

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**FLOWER CITY LODGE**  
No. 910  
2nd Tuesday

The Annual Meeting in December resulted in the election of the following Officers for 1974.

Master, Bro. Joseph Klein; Sr. Warden, Bro. Seymour G. Kopen; Jr. Warden, Bro. Sanford Hoffman; Treasurer, R.W. Joseph Silverstein; Secretary, R. W. Herman Sarachan.

These brethren, together with the appointed Line Officers, will be duly installed on January 8 by Wor. Jack Reitkopp, whom we welcome back after his recent hospitalization and convalescence.

Following our usual tradition, the Annual Banquet will precede the installation. Ceremonies start with a Sherry Hour at 6 p.m. followed by a Kosher Dinner catered by Barty's. Tickets are available from any of the Officers. For any information, call our Jr. Warden Elect, Bro. Sandy Hoffman at 271-7834.

In addition, we will honor two 50-year members, Bro. Max Abrahamson and Bro. Harold Kielson, and a group of 25-year members who will be awarded Life Membership certificates.

We extend our sympathy to:

The families of our late Brothers Isador Rogalsky, Bradford, Penna; Samuel S. Davis, Miami Beach, Fla.; and Dr. Lester Levin.

Wor. Alfred Kovel in the passing of his mother; and Bro. Darwin Boslow in the passing of his wife.

We extend our congratulations to:

Wor. Ellis I. Hormats on his election as Excellent High Priest of Hamilton Chapter 62, Royal Arch Masons.

Wor. and Mrs. Hyman T. Maas, on the marriage of their daughter Deborah Sue to Donald J. Nazzaro.

Bro. and Mrs. Harold Solomon on the marriage of their daughter Donna, to Dr. Norman Lederman.

For those of you who go into hibernation for the Winter in Miami, Florida, Bro. Mannie Mirkin is anxious to hear from you, his phone number is 945-3955.

The Traveling gavel is at Flower City Lodge.  
Fraternally,  
Maurice Solomon, Editor

**ANCIENT CRAFT LODGE**  
No. 943  
2nd and 4th Wednesdays



Brethren:

As your Master Elect for 1974, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your support. I am proud to accept this high office.

My immediate goals for the year are improved Lodge attendance, improved work in the Lodge, and improved contributions to the Brotherhood Fund.

Our other officers for 1974 are as follows:

Sr. Warden, Delmar H. Miles; Jr. Warden, Robert L. Curtis; Treasurer, R.W.C. Lawrence Kilmer; Secretary, W. Frederic G. Hartley; Sr. Deacon, W. Kieth Mastin; Jr. Deacon, Isaac Eche Yerria; Sr. M.C. Norbert Roland; Jr. M.C. John C. Dorr.

The first communication on January 9, 1974 will be the installation of officers and will be preceded by a Roast Beef dinner at \$3.75 ea. I hope that all of you Brothers whom we have not seen in lodge for quite some time will come and join us in the spirit of Brotherhood which always prevails.

I would like to offer my congratulations to W. Bro. John Decker who has done such a great job as Master of Ancient Craft Lodge this past year. I would also like to thank him for his personal help and guidance.

Let's all support our new Brotherhood Fund Chairman, W. Earl Branch in the annual Brotherhood Fund Drive. You will be hearing more from W. Brother Earl in the near future.

**SICKNESS & DISTRESS**

W. John Holt is at home and doing well. Best wishes John.

Our sincere condolences to W. Earl Branch on the passing of his father.

Fraternally,  
Glendon J. Ramsay  
Master

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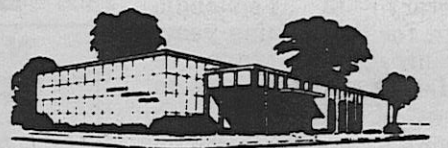
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**WEBSTER LODGE**  
**No. 538**  
**1st and 3rd Thursdays**

Brethren:  
As I write this, I can only think of the privilege you have bestowed upon me—that of being Master of Webster Lodge for 1974. I am looking forward to this year and with your support, it will be a successful one for Webster Lodge.  
At this point, I must offer congratulations to Worshipful Brother Ron Turney for a job well-done in 1973. His footsteps will be difficult to follow.  
Congratulations are also in order for our new Fellowcraft Club Officers. They are: Bro. Ed Wood-President; Bro. Gordon Dodge-Vice President; Wor. Bro. Ron Turney-Secretary; Bro. Dave Walker-Treasurer.  
Let's all get out and support the Fellowcraft Club. Dues are only \$1.00; and a good fellowship year is planned.  
Also, congratulations to Wor. Bro. Gurth Blackwell on his election as president of the Past Masters' Association.  
Brethren, remember our Brotherhood Fund Drive is soon going to get underway. Bro. Ken Hutchinson is our chairman this year; and he informs me that he is ready to accept any and all donations whenever they are given to him. He says he will give anyone a receipt who requests it. So let's give him writer's cramp.  
Webster Masonic Lodge #538 hosted a Euchre Tournament with Fame Lodge December 6, 1973. The winner's trophy was presented by Douglas Brummell, President of Fellowcraft Club, to John Dense, Master of Fame Lodge for winning the tournament by 10 points. The trophy was made up by Past Master James Fordham. Anyone in Monroe-Wayne Lodges wanting to challenge for the trophy call Fame Lodge.  
In closing, let me say that Webster Lodge is our Lodge, yours and mine, and can only be successful with our support. Let me know of any particular activity you would like to see happen and we will try to work it in.  
Fraternally,  
Donald A. McTarnaghan  
Master-Elect

**TRESTLEBOARD**  
Jan. 3 - Installation of Officers.  
Jan. 10 - Fellowcraft Club meeting.  
Jan. 17 - Brotherhood Fund Night.

**WAKAN LODGE**  
**No. 1054**  
**2nd and 4th Mondays**

Brethren,  
I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the honor you have conferred on me by electing me Master of Wakan Lodge for 1974. I shall do my best to serve you during the year. My special thanks to W: Bro. Bob Pettit, W: Bro. Bob Orne, Bro. Charles Jutsum, Bro. Fred VanGrafieland and R: W: Bob Rabel who have agreed to continue to serve as Secretary, Treasurer, Chaplain, Tiler and Advisor to the Chair respectively.  
Installation of Officers will be on Jan. 14th next. This meeting will be preceded by a dinner, our officers will contact you. Should you not receive a call, please contact me for reservations.  
I look forward to greeting many of you at this meeting and at others during the year.  
W: Bro. Maurice Solomon will be with us at our Jan. 28th meeting and will talk on Free Masonry in Scotland. Don't miss this opportunity to hear how our Brothers meet, act and part on the other side of the Atlantic.  
My Best Wishes to all our Brothers and readers for a very Happy New Year. Remember our motto is friendliness so come and visit and find out "just how friendly we can be."  
Fraternally,  
A. John Tijou, Master-Elect



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**CHURCHVILLE LODGE**  
**No. 667**  
**2nd and 4th Wednesdays**

Brethren,  
This being my last issue, I want to thank my officers and those who worked on committees for all the work they did this year. This has been a year that I will never forget. I have enjoyed every minute of it.  
I also want to thank Worthy Matron Damaris Girvin and sisters for all the work they did putting on dinners for the Lodge.  
Our communion service at the Churchville Methodist Church was very uplifting. Thank you, Rev. and Bro. Ronald Breen. We did appreciate the service very much and had very good attendance. After a delicious breakfast, everyone listened to a very inspiring message given by Harris Wilcox. Words just can't fully express how much we appreciated his message. We hope he can come again some time. This was a real climax for my year as Master.  
I want to congratulate all the newly elected and appointed officers for 1974. I know they will do a fine job. If I can help in any way, please let me know.  
W. Bro. James Brodie is still on the sick list. If you can't stop by for a brief visit, please send him a card.  
To all who have read my monthly article, I wish you a very happy and prosperous New Year, and many thanks to everyone.  
Fraternally,  
Sim Daugherty, Master

**TRESTLEBOARD**  
Jan. 2-Official meeting.  
Jan. 9-Installation.  
Jan. 16-Officers' meeting.  
Jan. 23-Regular meeting.

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**FAME LODGE**  
**No. 945**  
**2nd and 4th Tuesdays**


Brethren:  
I am again writing this month's article due to the unfortunate illness of our Senior Warden, Richard Schoenberger. Bro. Dick has had a mild heart attack and is presently recovering in Strong Memorial Hospital. When you read this article, I am hoping that Dick will be home. His address is: 107 Cobbs Hill Drive, Rochester, N.Y. 14610. If you get a chance I know that a card would be appreciated. As a result of this unexpected turn of events, I will remain the Master of Fame Lodge until Dick is well and able to assume the duties of Master. Some of the Past Masters have volunteered to help during this period and I would like to thank them in advance for their consideration.  
On Jan. 8, we will have our Installation of Officers and I hope that you brethren will try to come out and support our new line. Our traveling Brother, Elmer LaLonde will present his slides on a trip he took to the South Sea Islands on Jan. 22nd. His presentation is always a treat, so please plan to attend.  
Fame Lodge is in possession of the traveling euchre trophy which was donated by the Webster Lodge Fellowcraft Club and won from Webster Lodge on Dec. 6th in a very close match. We can expect to be challenged for the trophy sometime in February. I hope that everyone had a nice holiday. Don't forget that refreshments follow every meeting, so please try to attend in 1974.  
Fraternally,  
John Dense, Master

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

On Monday, December 10, the Lodge elected and installed its Line Officers for the year of 1974. The new Officers are:  
Master - Edward Rubel; Senior Warden-Robert Rubel; Junior Warden - Jonathan Trost; Treasurer-W: William Mason; Senior Deacon - Wor. Theodore Snyder; Junior Deacon - David Reid; Masters of Ceremonies - Sam LaFranco and W: Russell Marron; Stewards - Louis Di James and Robert Smith; Marshal-Wayne Ogawa; Chaplain - Paul Rubel; Organist-Stanley Cooley; Tiler - Wor. Raphael Leavitt.  
Wor. James Craib was the Installing Officer and Right Worshipful Fred Belluscio was the Installing Marshal.  
The Niner Chapter of the Eastern Star served their usual fine dinner preceding the meeting.  
The January meeting will be followed by a Euchre Tournament, run by the Junior Warden.  
Fraternally,  
Edward R. Rubel,  
Master

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## NOLA CHAPTER

NO. 368

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Dear Members,

\* \* \*

Christ is Christmas  
I never come to Christmas  
time,

I never, never do,  
But that my heart goes out to  
greet

The many friends like you,  
I long to stand before your  
door,

To softly ring your bell,  
In hope that you will come  
to me,

With the smile we loved  
so well.

And so when Christmas fills  
the air,

And bring the distant near,  
My mind soars outward,  
friend, to you

With many memories dear,  
Oh, we would sit before your  
hearth

And warm us with your fire,  
And live again some dear old  
days -

Days of our hearts' desire,  
But in that hour, that happy  
hour,

I'm sure we'd find this true-  
There would not be the same  
old joy

Unless Christ comes there  
too!

Ralph S. Cushman

\* \* \*

Because our next meeting  
day will be New Years Day,  
the installation of Sister  
Dorothy Erion, W. Bro.  
Douglas Varley and their  
staff of officers will be Janu-  
ary 15, 1974. Try to come to  
show your support of the new  
officers.

I want to thank you all  
for your splendid support and  
cooperation this year. It  
means so much to a Worthy  
Matron to know that her  
Chapter is behind her. You  
the members are the Chap-  
ter.

May you all have a most  
Happy Christmas, and our  
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Sincerely and fraternally,  
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Fidelity Triangle Line Officers: Chaplain, Patti Hutchinson; Junior Lady, Bonnie Jones; Beloved Queen, Debra Mason; Senior Lady, Anne Hassoldt; Guardian, Dolores Hill.

## FIDELITY TRIANGLE

Debra Jean Mason, the new Beloved Queen of Fidelity Triangle and her staff of officers were installed by Junior Deputy Helen Paget in a formal ceremony in Cathedral Hall.

The installing Marshalls were Robin Seeber & Past Beloved Queen Kathy Ogborne.

The installing Chaplain was retiring Beloved Queen Renea Seeber.

The Organist was Carol Jackson & the soloist was Susan Daycock, both members of Fidelity Triangle.

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

Special guests included - R. W. Myron Dox, D.D.G.M.,

R. W. John Skalny, D.D.G.M., W. Robert Jackson, Chairman of the Brotherhood Fund; W. William Zufahl, Executive Director of the Masonic Service Bureau; Commander Gordon Struck of the James A. Hard Post; Rev. George Anderson of the Episcopal (church of the Good Shepherd); Mrs. Norma Trapp, Junior Deputy of Alpha Triangle in Buffalo; Miss Karen Leopold, Junior Deputy of Lilac Triangle; Miss Linda Whitmarsh, Beloved Queen of Lilac Triangle; Mrs. Shirley Smith & Mr. Marshall Smith, Matron & Patron of Constellation Chapter; and Mr. Larry Beikirch representing DeMolay.

The Benediction was given by Rev. Anderson.

Reception, social hour & refreshments followed the ceremony.

## LILAC TRIANGLE

Lilac Triangle No. 121 of East Rochester recently installed officers for the Winter and Spring term 73-74 and our new Beloved Queen is Lori Wilder. The other officers are, Valerie Smith, Senior Lady-In-Waiting; Yvonne Asselin, Junior Lady-In-Waiting; Debbie Arthur, Guardian; Kathy Bates, Chaplain; Linda Whitmarsh, PBQ, Trustee; Linda Gurney, Marshal; Debbie Peets, Ass't Marshal; Kathy Doyle, Treasurer; Heidi Pulver, Rec. Secretary; Sue Gurney, Corr. Secretary; Debbie Leipold, PBQ, Financial Secretary; Laurie Arthur, Flag Bearer; Sandy Arthur, Standard Bearer; Linda Wilder, PBQ, Historian; and Judy Burke, Drill Leader.

December activities included the regular meetings of December 3rd and December 10th. Extra activities included a dinner on December 6, 1973 at the East Roch-



Beloved Queen Lori Wilder of Lilac Triangle No. 121 of East Rochester, New York.

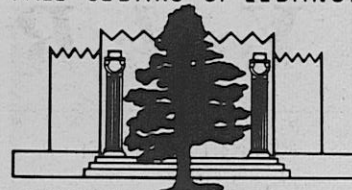
ester Lodge for the OES Past Matrons. On December 7th, the girls presented the Lord's Prayer Degree at the OES Sunshine Chapter at the Masonic Temple, on Main Street, Rochester, New York.

Our girls are pleased to do these degrees at the request of OES Chapters and these presentations serve a two-fold purpose. They are meaningful, religious degrees which help create maturity in our youth and they help formulate lasting friendships with the OES Chapters and Masonic Lodges.

Our Christmas party was held on December 22, 1973.

Our January activities will include a regular meeting on the 14th, which is honor to Youth Organizations, and another meeting on the 28th which will be Initiation.

## TALL CEDARS OF LEBANON



## ROCHESTER FOREST 133

Here we are once more entering another new year. I would like to thank G.T.C. Bob Hebner for a job well done this past year. I would also like to thank Janet Whitney for accepting the office of President of the Lilac City Cedarettes, for another year. I appreciate the opportunity of serving the Forrest as G.T.C. in 1974. I am sure that with everyone's support this can be a successful year. Installation will be at the Fame Lodge Temple on Jan. 27, 1974.

Our first social event of the year will be our Valentine party on Feb. 9 at 8 PM. at the home of Ruth Meyer, 260 Hollybrook Rd. Henrietta.

The following is a tentative social event schedule for the remainder of the year.

March-Ladies Night; April-Bowling party; July or Aug.-Splash party; Nov-Costume party.

The time and dates will be announced soon and a complete schedule will be mailed to all Cedars.

Our Treasurer Norm Fedrau, is at home recovering from abdominal surgery. Norm Bauer is still on crutches and we hope that by this time they have found the cause of his ailment. Gene Poore injured his foot but is back working now. I want to thank everyone for their cards and well wishes during my recent illness. Gene Dickson still home recuperating from an auto accident. Doug Hunt home recuperating from surgery.

Preceding our Dec. 13 meeting a recognition dinner was held to honor Bob Zabel, Ken Crawford and Mike Dox, for their service to Masonry in the position of D.D.G.M. About 25 Cedars turned out for this event. Our thanks to the Cedarettes for preparing this delicious dinner.

Fraternally,  
Frank Denton, S.D.T.C.

## CEDARETTES

Hi Gals:

The Christmas party held on December 11th, at the Maplewood Inn was most enjoyable and the ones who were unable to attend missed a delicious meal and a fun night. There were 21 members and 4 guests in attendance. I wish to thank all the members of the Lilac City Cedarettes for my lovely Christmas gift.

The January meeting will be held at my home on January 15th. the address is 29 Locust St., Pittsford, N.Y. It is the second street to the left off South Main St.

I wish to thank the committee for preparing and serving the dinner on December 13th, honoring R. W. R. Kenneth Crawford, R. W. Robert P. Zabel and R. W. Myron Dox-Tall Cedars of Lebanon.

Please girls!!! If you took a secret pal for 1974, remember her with a gift on her birthday and cards on all other occasions.

I have enjoyed my term as Acting President for a portion of 1973 and am looking forward to serving you as Presi-

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3rd Tuesday

Dear Brethren,

It is my fervent hope that the joys of this happy season have reflected on you and your love-ones and that this New Year will be healthful and bountiful for all.

The time has arrived for all of our membership to start thinking and acting seriously regarding our 100th Anniversary Celebration. Since I have mentioned repeatedly that September 6, 1974 is the date established for the affair, it is obvious that there isn't much time left to accomplish what is necessary to make it a success. It requires much capitol which is not being received from donations being sent to Past Master Neil Kunst. Remember that any amount is greatly accepted. See Neil in person at the next meeting or mail your contribution to Mr. Cornelius G. Kunst, 347 French Road, Pittsford, N.Y. 14534.

My apologies go to Past Master Al Witt for missing the announcement of he and his wife's 50th Wedding Anniversary on November 28th. When I received the information, the copy for last month's column had long been in the hands of the printer and too late to make the December printing. However, our congratulations to you and your wife, Brother Al, may the two of you enjoy many more celebrations together. Brother Al's news spark plugged information to come forth that P.M. Jake Vogel and his wife, Ruth, celebrated their 58th Wedding Anniversary on December 8th. That is an envious record and as Jake says "to the same woman for that many years." Good Health and happiness to you both for many more years.

We have reached a portion of the year when our secretary, Harold Weimer has become concerned about the number of members that have not paid their dues to date. If you are one of this number and are able to make your remittance now, he would be most appreciative for your cooperation.

The 13° will be directed by P.M. Robert Pettitt on January 15. He certainly would enjoy having a full compliment on the degree team as well as a sizeable side line to perform to. (It would be nice if all the candidates and their sponsors attend this and the next two degrees). We all hope that you will be there Tuesday, January 15.

Fraternally yours,  
Mathew L. Gingold  
Thrice Potent Master

dent in 1974.

I wish you all a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

Cedarettely  
Janet D. Whitney

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# York Rite News

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

The annual meeting of the chapter was held December 11 with the following officers elected:

High Priest, Ernest Stelianou; King, H. Dean Airy; Scribe, James Nersinger; Trustee, Earl Vanderbilt; Trustee, Stanley Peterson; Trustee, G.C. Mosher; Secretary, Herman Hilgerman; Treasurer, William Baldwin.

Appointed: CH, George Lynch; RAC, Horace Porter; M3, Raymond Mahan; M2, Nick Michaels; M1, Lee Perkins; Chaplain, William Angold.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for January 22, which will be the Installation of Officers. The Installing Officers will be Past High Priests, Gordon Mosher and William Baldwin. This meeting will start promptly at 8:00 PM.

The Newly elected High Priest will announce his program to the Companions at this Installation meeting.

Of Special note to all Companions: Webster Chapter has invited interested Masons and their ladies to a public Chapter Installation in Webster, Tuesday January 8 at 8:00 PM.

Ernest Stelianou,  
High Priest Elect

Love. During this Christmas season and the days that follow, let us manifest Christ's Love both in word and deed. Who is Christ? He who fed the hungry, clothed the naked, visited the sick. And where is Christ? Where? "Whoso Shall Receive A Little Child in My Name Receiveth Me." And who are Christ's? Every-one that Loveth, is born of God.

May all Sr. KTS and God Loving people everywhere, enjoy a very lovely Christmas.

## NOTES FROM THE RECORDER

My special thanks to all our Sir Knights who responded early with their dues. I still have a number of dues cards that I would be very happy to mail to anyone who has found that his dues card is still 1973, and not 1974.

The response to our appeal for aid to the Christmas and Charity Fund has been very creditable. Your generosity has enabled us to assist many of our ill and shut-in Sir Knights with their dues, and give them some help at this Holiday Season. We were also able to participate in a small way in the annual Christmas Party at the Masonic Home at Utica, which our Monroe Masonic group has sponsored.

Our January 4th meeting should be interesting, since this is the time at which the annual Financial Reports are given. It will be instructive to all who are interested in the financial well-being of the Commandery.

I wish for all Sir Knights and their families a most prosperous year in 1974. May all of your wishes and plans reach their fulfillment.

Fraternally,  
Walter G. Fotch,  
Recorder and Editor

**HAMILTON CHAPTER NO. 62  
ROYAL ARCH  
MASONS**

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Companions:

It seems a bit strange to be writing a column for the Monroe Masonic News again but this is one of the duties that seems to fall on the presiding officer of the Masonic groups in Monroe County, so as High Priest elect of Hamilton Chapter RAM I now take up this task.

The York Rite Ladies Night is now past. This was a most successful affair. One hundred and twenty people enjoyed an excellent dinner at the Towpath Restaurant M. C'd by Hal Miller which was followed by a panel type show conducted by Mrs. Ivan Ball and then dancing until the orchestra finally left. The highlight of the evening was the presentation of "The Outstanding Man of the Year Award" by Genesee York Rite college to R. E. and Rev. Wm. T. Plews. This affair was under the direction of Ralph Biggar and his committee to whom I would like to extend my thanks for their efforts. The dance was jointly sponsored by Hamilton Chapter, Monroe Commandery, and Doric Council.

Now for the future. As I step into the office held by so many distinguished predecessors, it will be hard to excell them. I plan to continue in their footsteps trying to bring more social activities to the Chapter. Beaver Chapter from Toronto will visit us in the spring; we will have our picnic; and I hope next fall another Ladies night.

The innovation this year will be an Open Installation at 7:30 P.M. Jan. 10, 1974. All Companions, their wives and children are invited as well as any interested Master Masons. When I mentioned to my family that there will be an open installation, my youngest daughter exclaimed "Now I can see what Daddy does when he goes out on Thursdays." So come and show your family what happens in Hamilton Chapter. There will be further information in the near future.

On behalf of Hamilton Chapter and the present line of officers, I would like to thank our outgoing High Priest Exc. Joel Johnson for his efforts on behalf of the chapter in his office. I've worked with Joel for 6 years, following him in the various offices and he has always been ready to do what was needed and to be innovative in his tasks. We will miss him as an officer but as a High Priest I know that he will be ready and willing to pitch in when needed.

To all the companions I would like to extend best wishes for a healthy, happy, and prosperous New Year

Fraternally,  
Ellis I. Hormats,  
High Priest-Elect

**CYRENE  
COMMANDERY  
No. 39  
KNIGHTS  
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You are hereby summoned to attend the Annual Conclave of this Commandery, to be held January 11th, 1974 at 8:00 PM in Cathedral Hall, Masonic Temple, Rochester, N.Y. The business of this Commandery, the Annual Reports of the Commander, Secretary, Treasurer, Trustees and Committees will be received. Gordon C. Mosher, Recorder

This is the time of the Year to wish everyone a very Happy and prosperous New Year. May we go forth this year with a new Spirit and have Truth, Faith, Wisdom and Charity. These are qualities that each of us should strive to possess.

We have three deaths to report at this time:

James M. Braneski; born July 25, 1899, died Oct. 9, 1973. He was constituted a K.T. on April 22, 1967.

Elmer H. House; born March 3, 1897, died November 19, 1973. He was constituted a K.T. on October 22, 1920.

November 7, 1898, died Dec. 13, 1973. He was constituted a K.T. on November 23, 1945.

The sympathy of the Commandery has been extended to the family and relatives of these departed Sir Knights. May we as brother knights carry on as they did during their life time.

A very Happy time was had by all who attended our Christmas Party on Dec. 14th. The ladies of the Schicker Club were our guests of the evening. Had a very nice program put on by the Young people from The Emanuel Lutheran Church. This is the church that our Em. Commandery & wife Dorothy attend. Many thanks to all who attended.

Regular Conclave on Jan. 25th, 1974 with 10 man opening. Let's all try and attend the conclave as they come up. Your presence is required and desired.

Our Recorder is now willing to receive dues due for the year 1974. Let's make him happy.

Fraternally,  
Em. Commander,  
Frederick S. Holderle  
Reporter,  
Sir Knight Roy E. Huff

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

Companions:

Over already? Impossible! But it is. 1973 has been a busy year for Webster Chapter, not quite as successful as we had wished. A memorable year for us personally hopefully for you too. It is impossible here to rehearse the events of the year, but maybe these few reminders will trigger a pleasant memory for you: Installation on January 9th; Grand Chapter in March; the degrees in April, May, and June; the visit to Beaver Chapter in Toronto in April; Grand High Priest's Reception in April; Memorial Service on May 10th; the picnic last June; Move-up Night on October 9th (Jim Eaton got his Certificate of Merit that night too); Grand Lecturer's Convention on October 23rd (after we found him, lost because of the right excellent directions given him); our Ladies Night on November 27th and the York Rite Ladies Night on November 30th: of these things memories are made.

Now, our annual Convocation is over, George Gerken has been elected High Priest for 1974. DON'T FORGET TO READ THE FRONT PAGE OF THIS ISSUE for important news about Webster's installation on January 8, 1974.

Companions, thank you for the privilege of serving as High Priest this year, thank you for your support and help. We urge that you give George and his line the same encouragement next year. We exhort you to continue to support and serve Royal Arch Masonry as if the fraternity's life depended on you - and of course, it does! Cordially and fraternally,  
Horace F. Denton, H.P.

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### THE PIPER'S CORNER

by  
Bob Boroching Sr.



Nearly every race, religion, nationality or culture have their share of folklore and legend. Much of this is, of course, fancy, founded upon superstitions, fear and assumptions. Not exempt by any means from the lore legends is Great Britain. Particularly that part of Britain known as Scotland. Now Scotland is well suited for its part as it is riddled with glens, high remote mountains, old castles and a society of clans that extends back into the ancient past. Of all Scotland legends one outstanding for its eeriness is the legend of Inverawe for it is fully documented and an integral part of Americana.

Duncan Campbell sat beside his hearth in his old castle located in the Western Highlands of Scotland nearby the River Awe. The wind moaned and cried out with shrieks of high pitched agony as it traveled through the trees outside the walls. Suddenly the silence was shattered by a loud, crashing pounding at the entrance door in the great hall. As he swung open the door Campbell saw a tall man with kilt and sporran covered with blood and bruises, soaked with the rain. In a quaking voice filled with fear the stranger told a story of being in a fight with a man of horn shortly before whom he had slain. He told of the mans friends who were in full pursuit and how he had temporarily eluded them by swimming the Awe. The hospitality of Inverawe was well known and the man asked for sanctuary. Campbell was reluctant but he gave in to the strangers entreaties and pleas and let him in. The man begged for a pledge and Campbell swore on his dirk by Ben Cruachan that he would not betray him. Since this was the most sacred pledge a Campbell could give Duncan had grave misgivings as the man after all was a complete stranger but it was done and he would live up to his word.

He brought food as the man warmed himself at the fire and when he was warmed led him to a hidden ecess deep in the castles innermost chambers. Campbell was once again at his hearth museing over the strange events when a clamor at the front gate followed by excited knocking beckonen him. The clansmen there were neighbors in high pursuit of a man whom they said had just murdered Campbells' cousin Donald. They told of an ambush by Stuart of Appin, a mortal enemy of their clan. The Laird Duncan deeply moved by the death of his cousin was about to tell of the villians whereabouts when he suddenly recalled his sacred oath. After the clansmen departed Campbell retired for the night but his thoughts were deeply

troubled with the knowledge of his cousins murderer sharing his roof. Suddenly he was awakened in a cold sweat of fright as a pale, unearthly light flooded the small room. Campbells fright turned into sheer horror as he beheld his cousins ghost swaying to and fro as he wispered in a deep, mounful voice, "Inverawe! Inverawe! Blood has been shed. Shield not the murderer."

Campbell went to his guest and assured him he would live up to his oath but insisted that the man leave the castle. He took him to a weary cave for shelter and there left him thus fulfilling the obligation. Again that night the apparation appeared repeating in stern tones the admonition, "Inverawe! Inverawe! Blood has been shed. Shield not the murderer," then it once again disappeared. The next day Campbell hurried to the cave but the murdered had fled. That night the ghost came once again and whispered the words that lived in Campbells mind till his death, "Farewell, Inverawe! Farewell till we meet again at Ticonderoga!"

(The conclusion of this strange tale will continue next issue as the scene switches to America and curse of the Campbells is followed to the end.)



**BIG BOOSTER** — Noble John Wayne, one of the world's most renowned actors and top Hollywood box-office star, has been named Al Malaikah "Ambassador-At-Large" by his friend and Potentate, James J. Cunningham. Noble Wayne permitted his Temple to sponsor the world premier of his latest picture, "The Cowboys," at the John Wayne Theatre at Knott's Berry Farm. He appeared at both performances and greeted Shriners and guests.

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