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Dear Brethren:

Do you know who your new Master, Wardens and Officers are? If you became ill or a close relative or friend wanted a Masonic Service performed you would expect these Officers to respond, and rightly so. Help make everyone's job easier by becoming familiar with these names and faces right now at the New Year. Why not attend their Installation and give them your help and support? Also at this time, we want to thank the outgoing Master and his Officers for all their work in the past year.

To you sideliners who have always thought you would like to do more work or start in line, let your interest be known. You'll never know if you don't give it a try. Perhaps you'll find that it isn't for you but at least give yourself the chance to find out.

On November 19, R:W: Walter Lindemuth and I had the pleasure of presenting a 50 year pin from Eliot Lodge of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts to Brother Martin Strumph. On December 4, I again had the opportunity to present a 50 year pin from Nestell Lodge No. 37 of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island to Brother Charles S. Vevera. Brother Vevera's son Charles, who is a member of Penfield Union Lodge No. 154 was able to be present.

1974 has been an experience of great pleasure and satisfaction for me. If your New Year's resolutions include attending Lodge more often, I'm sure 1975 will be a great experience and pleasure for all of us.

Fraternally yours,
Septimius A. Di Lauro, D.D.G.M., First Monroe District

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MASONIC SERVICE BUREAU

Although the Christmas season is officially over, Masonic charity knows no season, and I am again appealing to you for help for those less fortunate than ourselves.

First, for the victims of the Bushnell's Basin flood disaster. You wouldn't believe the extent of the destruction unless you could see it for yourself. Many families, including three Masonic families lost virtually everything they owned. Still needed are small appliances, especially electrical, such as toasters, hand mixers, etc., larger appliances such as washers and dryers; furniture of just about every description, but especially a chest of drawers; and rugs of almost any size. Contributions of money are also much needed. If you can help with any of these things, please contact the Service Bureau at 473-4351.

Secondly, a flash fire in a mobil home has wiped out all the possessions of a local brother and his family, including just about all their clothes, which is their most immediate need. The husband wears a size 38 suit, with a 32 inch waist, and the wife wears a size 10 dress. There are two children, a boy 5 years old and a girl of 18 months. Everything in the way of clothes is needed, including underwear, winter clothes, overcoats, shoes, etc. Perhaps some of you who bought your children new clothes for Christmas have some used ones in good condition that this family could use. Again, if you have anything to contribute to the relief of this distressed brother and his family, please call the Service Bureau at 473-4351.

Congratulations to the new Masters and Matrons and their Officers, and best wishes for a successful and prosperous year in the East. To one and all, Happy New Year! Fraternaly,
William R. Zufall,
Executive Director

Masonic History Featured on CBS "A Bicentennial Minute" TV Spot

As part of its regularly televised series entitled, "A BICENTENNIAL MINUTE", the CBS Television Network showed what Masons were doing 200 years ago on St. John's Day ... December 27, 1774.

Bill Bixby, star of several television series, narrated this flashback in Masonic history which was shown over local CBS television stations following "Planet of the Apes" Friday, December 27, 1974 at 8:57 p.m.

This is one of two St. John's Days annually observed by Masons. The other is June 24. In 1774, and for many years preceding and following that year, these days were celebrated with a dinner followed by a formal Masonic procession to a house of worship. The participation of Masonic leaders George Washington, Benjamin Franklin and Paul Revere in such events will be touched upon in this brief television program.

Visuals for the telecast were provided through the courtesy of the New York Masonic Grand Lodge Library and Museum.

YONNONDIO LODGE One Hundred Twenty-Fifth ANNIVERSARY 1850-1975

Yonnondio Lodge No. 173, F.&A.M. will celebrate its 125th Years of existence in 1975.

Elaborate plans are being made for this celebration, including an Anniversary Dinner with the Grand Master and other Grand Lodge Officers present, a bus trip to Toronto, Canada, a souvenir program updating the history of the Lodge and a complete roster, together with photos, Past Masters and Honorary listings.

Watch for further details and announcements about exciting events in the celebration of our 125th year.

Barton S. Horner, Secretary

Brethren:

To each and everyone of you my sincere wish for a prosperous and Happy New Year, and my thanks for your support and encouragement during the first half of my term as District Deputy.

As with each new year, the old goes out and the new comes in. The outgoing Masters have served their Lodges for the past year to the best of their ability, and have tried to make the past year a memorable one and deserve our appreciation.

To the newly elected and installed Masters, congratulations, and best wishes for a successful term in office. May the light of Masonry shine brighter through the program you have planned.

Next month I hope to be able to give a good report on the trip to Utica scheduled for next Saturday, and the Masonic Blood program on the following Saturday.

I would ask the new Masters and the Brethren to give your support to your Lodge Chairman and the District Chairman of the Brotherhood Fund. They are hard working and dedicated and deserve our best efforts in this Masonic charity.

Fraternaly,
Walter A. Lindemuth, D.D.G.M., Second Monroe District

WALTER A.
LINDEMUTH
D.D.G.M.
2ND MONROE
DISTRICT



BROTHERHOOD FUND

Masonic Pride in Seventy-five

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 is "Masonic Pride in Seventy-five."

Please make your contribution NOW to the Masonic Brotherhood Fund. Keep Masonry moving forward.

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LET'S GO VISITING

JANUARY 1975

- 1 - HAPPY NEW YEAR
- 2 - Webster - Installation of Officers
- 2 - Northfield - Installation of Officers
- 2 - Genesee Falls - Installation of Officers
- 3 - W.C. Hubbard - Open meeting
- 6 - J.A. Robertson - Installation of Officers
- 6 - Shrine Lunch Club - Blue Lodge & York Rite Monday-12:00 Noon - Eddie's Chop House, East Main Street
- 6 - Corinthian Temple - Installation of Officers
- 7 - Clio - Installation of Officers - dinner
- 7 - Yonnonadio - Installation of Officers
- 7 - Charlotte - Installation of Officers
- 8 - Oatka - Installation of Officers
- 8 - Ancient Craft - Installation of Officers - dinner
- 8 - Germania - Installation of Officers
- 9 - Zetland - Open meeting
- 9 - Hamilton Chapter - Public Installation - 7:30 P.M.
- 10 - Cyrene Commandery - Full Form Opening
- 13 - Fairport - Installation of Officers
- 13 - Rochester - Installation of Officers
- 13 - Shrine Lunch Club - 12:00 Noon - Eddie's Chop House - East Main Street, Speaker - Grand Chaplain, R:W: Paul Gleason
- 13 - Wakan - Installation of Officers
- 13 - Etolian - Installation of Officers
- 14 - Fame - Installation of Officers
- 14 - East Rochester - Installation of Officers
- 14 - F.L. Simes - Installation of Officers - 7:45 p.m. at Temple
- 14 - Flower City - Installation of Officers
- 14 - Henrietta - Installation of Officers
- 16 - Webster - First Degree, Sr. Warden in East
- 17 - W.C. Hubbard - Open meeting - Euchre Tournament
- 18 - Webster - Public Installation - 8:00 P.M.
- 20 - Shrine Lunch Club - Scottish Rite Monday - 12:00 Noon - Eddie's Chop House

INSTALLATION DATES

LODGE	SENIOR WARDEN	INSTALL. DATE
Valley	David C. Clarke	Dec. 16
Yonnonadio	Robert P. Galloway	Jan. 7
Genesee Falls	Norman L.J. Smith	Jan. 2
Rochester	George M. Adams	Jan. 13
Germania	Frank J. Arnold	Jan. 8
Frank R. Lawrence	Robert B. Rubel	Dec. 9
Corinthian Temple	Daniel E. Nesbitt	Jan. 6
Flower City	Seymour G. Kopen	Jan. 14
Seneca	Bruce E. Hansen	Dec. 17
Ancient Craft	Delmar Miles	Jan. 8
Zetland	Theodore Z. Theodore	Dec. 12
W.C. Hubbard	Robert C. Adams	Dec. 20
Craftsman	Alan Doud	Dec. 17
Frank L. Simes	George H. Gray	Jan. 14
John A. Robertson	Lloyd E. Walker	Jan. 6
Orpheus	William Dworkin	Jan. 14
Penfield Union	Eric W. Zaenglein	Jan. 7
Monroe	Wilbur Paine	Jan. 14
Union Star	Raymond Sipple	Jan. 15
Northfield	Robert E. Phelps	Jan. 2
Fairport	James E. Comstock	Jan. 13
Etolian	Willard Goodridge	Jan. 13
Henrietta	Melvin L. Simmons	Jan. 14
Webster	Kenneth Hutchinson	Jan. 2
Churchville	George Simon	Jan. 8
Oatka	Edwin T. Laydon	Jan. 8
Clio	Robert E. Stevens	Jan. 7
Fame	Dale Lawson	Jan. 14
East Rochester	Thomas G. Formicola	Jan. 14
Wakan	John J. Rees	Jan. 13
Charlotte	Leonard Mack	Jan. 7

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

by Rev. William H. McKee

THE LIFE CATALOG

During autumn and early winter, we are regularly inundated with innumerable catalogs covering just about every subject in the unabridged dictionary. There are lists of books and gifts now in the holiday season, nursery stock as we look ahead to spring, special courses on study for improved human relationships, ready cut homes which are so easily erected! plus catalogs to bring your present home up to date with new paneling, lighting, paint, wallpaper, etc., at least by the standard which the concern seeking your business has set. There are many books as well as courses on how to live, how to adjust, and grow in stature, wisdom and wealth. To be sure almost everything is available for a price - and sometimes the price is rather staggering.

There certainly must be people who purchase the services and materials, else they would not be offered. Magazine publishers charge enough for the mailing name list which the concerns use to seek patronage.

There is one catalog which covers every phase that is offered for our self improvement from so many sources although I may be criticized for listing it in that category, and that is the Bible - a compilation covering many centuries and an almost unlimited number of topics.

The nursery catalogs tell us how to plant and advertise where, when and how. Long ago Jesus told the parable of the sower, noting the results received in the various kinds of soil, emphasizing the need of care, qualities much needed in better human relations. Human relationships abound throughout the whole Book of the ages, picturing the results; - the honest truth seeker, the fate of the short cut ways, and self aggrandizement. It is not written in a modern advertising mood, simply set in everyday surroundings which we encounter in our lives today. WE should become better acquainted with this age old catalog as we seek to grow in stature and wisdom with God and man. Those various catalogs which we are receiving, emphasize that everything before in the particular field is outdated - the present offering surpasses anything we may possess in beauty and utility - if you do not adapt and get the new, you will be left behind. The catalog of the ages requires no revision yearly although there are new translations as our scholars delve deeper into the ancient languages and an occasional old manuscript is found. Such revisions give greater depth of meaning and understanding and we are not asked to take everything as written without understanding. The new translations shed new life and meaning for all. New Year's is upon us as well as the catalogs for new cars, vacations in far off places, nursery stock and home improvement. We need to share fellowship and brotherhood with the entire creation of this planet lest our misguided scientists go forward to find and use ways to split this globe bits and remove it from the solar system - even though they may claim those discoveries are top secret and safely stored away (until needed). Self destruction is never a necessity, there is in this Great Catalog, a universal call for everlasting observance of the brotherhood of man and the Fatherhood of God - a way that has been available from Creation to the end of time.

Open that Book that covers Creation, history, poetry, law, worship, psychology, medicine, music, morals, life and death, and you are asked to become a charter sustaining, member of the greatest, oldest, and most active enduring society of mankind - God's World.

Use everyone of the 365 days in 1975 in that endeavor. HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

PAST MASTER'S SUPPER CLUB

Best wishes to all Past Masters and their families during this Holiday Season and may all of us look forward with confidence and joy to the New Year.

The next dinner meeting will be held at the Moose Club on East Avenue on Friday, Jan. 24, 1975. All Past Masters are invited to the dinner at 6:30 P.M. with the short business meeting and entertainment following. A special welcome is extended to all outgoing Seventy Four Masters to come and join with us to meet old friends and make new ones. Reservation cards will be sent to all members and those on the mailing list, or call in your reservation to W: Bro. Ralph Gray, Secretary. Phone: 624-3186.

The new Officers voted in at the November meeting are: President, W: Robert Hebner; Vice Pres., W: Jack Thibaut; Secretary, W: Ralph Gray and Treasurer, W: Fred

Ambeau. Wor. Bro. Ralph Bigger will try to install them in their proper chairs at the January meeting.

This is dues time again so come prepared to pay your three dollars and assure your name being on the mailing list. This is going to be important this year as your Officers are planning some exciting innovations and will want to notify you of any last minute changes.

At this time I would like to thank all the members of the Past Masters Club for their warm support and enthusiastic response in helping make this an enjoyable year, especially Wor. Harry Ketchum for his years of unremitting toil in printing up the monthly reservation and notice cards. May the Great Light in Masonry continue to illuminate our path in the years to come.

Fraternally yours, Adrian De Visser, President

A LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SERVICE BUREAU

F. RITTER SHUMWAY

1100 MIDTOWN TOWER

ROCHESTER, NEW YORK 14604

November 1, 1974

Mr. Stanley C. Allen, President
Masonic Service Bureau
386 Brooks Avenue
Rochester, New York 14619

Dear Mr. Allen:

Sunday morning, October 27 was indeed a day that I will long remember.

The Communion and Dedication Service with which the morning started was exceptionally well done and was most meaningful. It set a remarkably high tone and background for the breakfast itself and the ceremony which followed.

The breakfast was very tasty and extraordinarily well and expeditiously served. The fellowship of that part of the morning was very meaningful.

The presentation of the Distinguished Community Service Award was, as might be expected, very well done by Congressman Frank Horton.

In every way I was highly honored to be the recipient of the 1974 Distinguished Community Service Award. This was an especially great honor coming as it did from such a distinguished and fine organization. As I said at the time, I was greatly impressed by the manner in which the whole morning showed clearly that here was an organization that was proud to be dedicated to the service of God and country and our community.

When the right opportunity arises, I would be grateful if you would express to all of the members of the Masonic Service Bureau my great appreciation for the recognition that has been given to me.

Very sincerely yours,

FRS:mr
cc: Mr. Henri P. Projansky

Ritter Shumway

- 20 - Corinthian Temple - Open meeting with speaker
- 21 - Charlotte - First Degree
- 22 - Oatka - First Degree - Sr. Warden in East
- 22 - Ancient Craft - Open meeting with speaker
- 22 - Germania - First Degree
- 23 - Zetland - Open meeting
- 23 - Hamilton Chapter - Open meeting
- 24 - Cyrene Commandery - Regular Conclave
- 24 - Past Masters Supper Club - Dinner meeting - Past Masters only.
- 27 - Fairport - First Degree, Sr. Warden in East
- 27 - Rochester - Open meeting
- 27 - Wakan - Regular meeting with speaker from Greece Police Department
- 28 - East Rochester - First Degree
- 28 - Ionic Chapter - Installation of Officers



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. Our installation is held at the first Communication in January. This year the first Communication falls on January 1st, and we plan to open and close Lodge on that date, and hold Installation on January 15th. Some of our Past Masters say that we must install on January 1st. Will you set us straight?

A. The Book of Constitutions is very clear on the subject: Section 302 states that election of officers shall be held at the last Stated Communication in December, and "installed at or before the next stated communication." The Handbook of Masonic Law (Sect. 910) further clarifies this: "even though such communication falls on a legal holiday."

In the present instance the Lodge should request a Dispensation from the Grand Master to hold installation on January 15th, giving as a reason the difficulty of getting not only members but the officers to attend on the legal holiday.

May we suggest, in general, that if the date of the annual communication or the date of installation may at times fall on a legal holiday, the Lodge should amend its by-laws to specify that "if the last Communication in December (or the first communication in January) falls on a legal holiday it should be omitted." The Lodge may then legally omit the communication in question.

Q. A friend, a non-Mason has asked, "What is Masonry?" Can you give us a definition in about 25 words?

A. We quote from our "Primer of Freemasonry": "Freemasonry is a fraternal organization of men of good character and reputation, who believe in God and in the immortality of the soul, who are devoted to the principles of Friendship and fellowship, and are dedicated to love of country and the service of mankind." Incidentally, the "Primer" is a pamphlet consisting of 14 questions and answers on Masonry intended primarily for the non-Mason. Copies may be secured from the Masonic Service Bureau.

Q. We received a Petition for membership, in which the petitioner gives a woman as one of his references. Is this acceptable?

A. The names which a petitioner gives as references are presumably of people who can attest to his character and personality. There is no requirement that the references need be Masons. Any person, whether man or woman can give information to an investigating committee relative to the character of the applicant.

In my judgement, such a reference is valid.

LODGE news and views

W.C. HUBBARD LODGE
No. 964

1st and 3rd Fridays

MASTER'S MESSAGE

A few years ago I was writing my first article to you as President of the Fellowcraft Club. Now as your Master, the Master's Message - How time flies! I hope I shall do a better job at it now than then.

By the time you read this I will have been elected and installed Master for 1975. I wish to thank you all who came out and helped to make it such a nice installation. I shall strive to uphold the high honor you have bestowed upon me.

I am concerned as are most Masters of Lodges with the low attendance, both at meetings and functions. May I remind you that one of your obligations is to support your Lodge. Many Brothers construe this as meaning Financial support. True, we need that, but your personal support is far greater. Your Officers devote much time and effort in planning and arranging programs only to find most often, continual poor attendance from the members.

Won't you join us some Friday night soon. We look forward to greeting you. If there is a reason why you are not attending, let me know or any officer. The Lodge should reflect the thoughts and desires of its entire membership. It can't and won't unless the majority of the members are present to make their personal contribution. May we count on you?

BROTHERHOOD FUND

By now you will have received your return envelope for your contribution. I hope every Brother will find it in his heart to contribute something. All will be appreciated.

FELLOWCRAFT

On January 10th the Fellowcraft Club will hold its annual Election of Officers. Dinner at the Lyons Den on Ridge Road West. Dinner at 7:00 p.m. Price \$7.00, includes Dues. For reservations call Brother Frank Austin at 594-4989.

On Feb. 14th the Fellowcraft Club is having a St. Valentine Dance at the Masonic Temple, music by the Bee-Liners, a three piece Band with a female vocalist. Dress will be informal. Refreshments will be served. Price \$3.00 per person. \$6.00 per couple. For reservations, call Bob Helmes, Chairman, at 865-5589 or Bro. Frank Austin. Guests invited.

The Fellowcraft Club is forming a Camping Club within our Lodge. Any Brother who is interested, call Bro. Frank Austin.

TRESTLEBOARD

Jan. 3 - Open Meeting.
Jan. 10 - Fellowcraft Club Election of Officers.
Jan. 17 - Open Meeting - Euchre Tournament.
In closing, I would like to extend to everyone, a very Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year.
Fraternally,
Robert C. Adams, Master

GENESEE FALLS LODGE
No. 507

1st and 3rd Thursdays

Dear Brethren:

Should the Brethren assembled at the annual election meeting accord me the honor of serving the Lodge as Master, this message will reach you at your home after the Installation of the new Line and myself.

Assuming that to be true, this becomes in fact, my first message to you as Master of our Lodge and the startling fact emerges that in the great majority of cases, you and I have never met. What is more, the odds against us meeting, given the present attendance at meetings, are very large.

Sociologists tell us that man is by nature gregarious. That is, he is sociable and enjoys the company of others. Judging by the number of you we see at Lodge the fraternity may well be spawning a mutant strain of homo-sapiens given to solitary occupations in his leisure times. For those of you who have lost the habit of coming to Lodge, won't you try it again? The actual business of Lodge, is, of course important and we would welcome your participation in discussion and decision making. Talking with a friend at work I remarked that we might well be forced to accomplish a certain task by fiat. He looked blank for a moment and then said "Yeah, I guess you're right, it's really amazing what you can do in those little foreign cars". Brothers, hemisunderstood both my intent and meaning. The work of your Lodge could largely be accomplished by fiat, exercised by the Master, but that is not the way a fraternity as great as ours should get things done.

It is very wrong to assume that the Officers are the only men needed to perform the work of the Lodge. Sure, they are necessary but they comprise only the skeleton or framework of the Lodge. We need you to fill out that framework, put muscle and flesh and features on the skeleton. Genesee Falls has been, and is, a great Lodge and one in which we are all justly proud. Come and share that pride with us. Tell me what you would like to see going on in the Lodge and help us accomplish the things we ought to be doing.

Equally important, we want to see you because we ought to be old friends and old friendships are part of the fabric of life, warming us with pleasant times and offering a measure of protection against hurt and loneliness. It's very easy to get to Lodge. Just stand up, bring the heel of your left to the toe of your right and keep right on going. Won't you join us?

Fraternally,
Nobby Smith, Sr. Warden

TRESTLEBOARD

Jan. 2 - Installation of Officers. Dinner 6:30 P.M.
Jan. 16 - Business meeting.
Jan. 23 - Fellowcraft and Officers meeting.
Feb. 4 - Rehearsal for First Degree. Room B, 7:30 P.M.
Feb. 5 - First Degree - Master in East.

WAKAN LODGE

No. 1054

2nd and 4th Mondays

MASTER'S MESSAGE

Dear Brethren:

This being the first opportunity to address you as Master-Elect of Wakan Lodge I would like to thank all the members for affording me the honor of serving you during the coming year as Master.

For the Brothers who will be unable to attend the Installation of Officers on January 12, I sincerely hope that I will have the opportunity of meeting you all at Lodge sometime during the year. The January 13th meeting will be preceded by a Roast Beef dinner to be served at 6:30 P.M. by Irondequoit Chapter O.E.S. The Officers will be contacting you for your reservations. Any Brothers other than members of Wakan Lodge wishing to attend the dinner please contact me at 288-5461 by January 8th.

The meeting on January 27 will be immediately followed by discussion on law and order and police work in all its aspects conducted by Bro. Clark Osbourne of the Greece Police Department. This discussion will be open to all Brothers and their families and friends. Refreshments will be served.

The program for the year will be enclosed in the first Master's letter which you will receive during the course of this month. Also in this letter, will be your annual dues notice which we urge you to pay promptly.

Bro. Eugene Brown, the Jr. Warden, has been gracious enough to once again accept the Chairmanship of the Brotherhood Fund for Wakan Lodge and is ready to accept all donations.

In closing I would like to congratulate W. A. John Tijou our immediate Past Master on a most successful and satisfying year in the East.

Hoping to see you all at Lodge.

Fraternally yours,
John J. Reese, Master-elect

Brethren:

I would like to take just a moment of your time to thank you all for the support that you have given me during the past year as Master of Wakan Lodge. My special thanks to the Officers and Committees who have worked so hard to make all our functions the success that they turned out to be. May I wish the new Master, W: Bro. John Rees the very finest of years and urge you all to give him your utmost support. Remember that we need each and every Brother to be a part of all our plans, so you and each of you come and be a part of YOUR Lodge.

I hope to see and meet you all on the second and forth Mondays.

Fraternally,
A. John Tijou, Past Master



GROTTO

It is assumed that all our Brethren have enjoyed a happy Holiday Season, so we will get down to business for the coming year.

As with all organizations, our chief aim is to build up our membership, so without any hesitation, we can say: "We want YOU in the Grotto."

We feel that for the cost involved, our organization can offer boundless benefits -- \$1.00 dinners, entertainment and refreshments at meetings, parties, picnics, card tournaments, and last but not least -- Good Fellowship.

We support the Supreme Grotto philanthropies which are Cerebral Palsy and Denistry for Physically Handicapped Children and locally our Grotto has taken the Happiness House in Geneva under their wing. Recently the Officers and Unit members held a Christmas Party for these children, helped financially and contributed furniture essential to their health.

Why don't you inquire about this really worthwhile organization -- we would be very happy to tell you more.

EXTRA NOTES

Our congratulations go to the Officers and members of Northfield Lodge, F.&A.M. in Pittsford for all the help they are giving to the victims of the recent canal flood. Keep up the good work.

Fraternally,
George Francis, Publicity

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Etolian Lodge - L to R - William R. Purdy, Hubert Hoben, William Mason, Master, James R. Stuewe, Howard J. Smith. Donald R. Brown left before picture was taken.

ETOLIAN LODGE
No. 479
2nd and 4th Mondays

Dear Brethren:
On December 9, 1974 Etolian Lodge held its annual meeting beginning at 5:30 P.M. Fifty members together with the Officers raised a group of five new brothers to the Degree of Master Mason. At 6:30 P.M. we were called to refreshments and a roast beef supper, prepared by Etolian Chapter 308, O.E.S. was served. At 8:00 P.M. Lodge was again called to order and the Second Section of the Degree was conferred. Carl Diehl acted as M.E.K.S. W:Bro. Howard Amish as H.K. of T., W: Bro. Clark Kunes who is our Secretary, presented bibles to each of the new Brothers. It was the 35th year W: Bro. Kunes has been a Master Mason. W: Bro. James Powell gave the Historic lecture. After completion of the Degree the Election of Officers was held and the following were elected for the year 1975:

Willard Goodridge, Master; Chalmers Dinger, Senior Warden; Dale Rankin, Junior Warden; W: Bro. Clark Kunes, Secretary; W: Bro. Sterling Peckham, Treasurer; W: Bro. Mason, Trustee for 3 years.

Investiture Service will be held in the Masonic Temple in Rochester for P.M.'s only December 27, 1974 - reservations required - supper at 6:30 P.M. Installation of Officers will be held January 13, 1975. After Installation W: Bro. Willard Goodridge will announce his line Officers and Committees. Fraternally, W: Wallace Lessord, Assistant Secretary



like to inject a little thought at this time about the need of our Grand Master for the Brotherhood Fund. The people of Utica Home and Research at the Hospital, etc., are very much in need of your contributions. Many Brethren fail to give anything because they feel a small contribution is not enough. Well, believe me a donation of \$1.00 or even \$.50 will help put it over the top. Less than 30% of Germania Lodge contributed to the Brotherhood Fund. I'm sure there probably was at least another 30% who could have given just a dollar or two if they realized how much it would help. I will be glad to accept with appreciation any and I mean any, contribution no matter how small it is for our Brotherhood Fund. Mail your contributions to: John Arnold, 59 Glazer Dr., Rochester, N.Y. 14625.

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Refreshments — Speaker

GERMANIA LODGE
No. 722
2nd and 4th Wednesdays

Brethren:
A new year and new thoughts for your pleasure of meeting in your Lodge.

I Past Master Frank Arnold again will be your W: Master for 1975 as Past Master Wayne Cowell, 1973 and Past Master Norm Hegadorn 1974, but this will be with a new twist. East month this year a different Past Master will be in the East. Of course January and December I will be there. Come to Lodge and support this year of "Masters for 1975."

Charles Pflaum will be Sr. Warden; Past Master Harold Perrin will be Jr. Warden; Past Master Donald Freeman Sr., Treasurer; Past Master Harold Weimer is Secretary; John Arnold, Sr. Deacon; Nelson Bertch, Jr. Deacon; Donald Freeman Jr., Sr. M.ofC; David Foster, Jr. M of C; The rest of the Officers to be announced.

Jan. 8 - Installation of Officers.

Jan. 22 - First Degree with 3 candidates.

Feb. 12 - Second Degree.

Feb. 26 - Third Degree by the Shrine Degree Team.

These are four good reasons for you to attend all of these meetings.

Our Installation Night will have a special lunch after the meeting.

On Feb. 26th we will have a Third Degree Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Please attend and bring a Lodge member with you. Call me and make a reservation for the dinner - 381-7411 or 458-4810.

I would like to go back to some old business. I want to congratulate Past Master N. Hegadorn for the excellent year in 1974. I also wish to thank Past Master Wayne Cowell for the wonderful Children's Christmas Party. It was as always, enjoyed by many children as well as adults. Past Master Wayne also wants to extend his thanks to all the Brethren who contributed towards the Christmas Party. Special thanks to Lauweret's Garden Store.

I also want to remind you of the Masters and Wardens Winter Party, Jan. 11th at Logan's Party House, Scottsville Rd. Tickets are available from Norman Hegadorn at \$9.00 each. Fraternally, Frank Arnold, Master

BROTHERHOOD FUND CHAIRMAN

Holidays are over and we are looking for a Happy and Successful New Year. I would

FAIRPORT LODGE
No. 476
2nd and 4th Mondays

Brethren:
In anticipation of writing this first message for the Monroe Masonic News, many thoughts have passed through my mind, however, now that the time has arrived I find it difficult to set them down on paper.

I am very pleased and gratified to have been elected Wor. Master of Fairport Lodge and am also very conscious of the trust placed in me by the brethren. Please be assured that I will do my utmost to deserve that trust. We have a fine line of Officers who are also dedicated to this purpose.

Our goal in Fairport this year is to gain community recognition for our Lodge. We have several ideas regarding community involvement and will welcome any comments and ideas from the membership.

To attain this goal will require the help of all the Brethren. We will be calling on each of you from time to time. Please be prepared to lend your support.

As a kick-off we are planning a breakfast on Sunday, Jan. 26th as co-hosts with the Board of Deacons of the First Baptist Church of Fairport. The Lay Clergy and various mens church groups will be invited to hear a prominent speaker and our offer to be of assistance to them. Specific information and reservation details will be published in our Trestleboard.

We have a class of candidates upon whom we will confer the First Degree on Jan. 27th. Our Sr. Warden, Nelson Vennette will be in the East.

Installation of Officers will be on the 13th of January with dinner at 7:00 P.M. preceding the meeting. What is a better way to show your support for the coming year than to attend this impressive ceremony? Where else can you get a better meal than that served by our beloved sisters of O.E.S. Chapter No. 444? For reservations, contact me at 377-2551 or our Jr. Warden-Elect, Stu Pederson at 223-1987.

To all our sick and shut-ins, God Bless you and make you well and may He always be with you. Fraternally, James E. Comstock Master-Elect

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NO. 951
2nd & 4th
Thursdays



Brethren:
A sincere thanks to the Officers and members of Yonnondio Lodge for your support, the honor, privilege, and challenge of serving as Master in 1975 - Yonnondio Lodge's 125 Year.

I want to express the gratitude of the Lodge and particularly myself to W: Frank Kesley for his help, aid, and assistance in the past year. On Tuesday, Jan. 7th, Yonnondio Lodge will hold its Annual Installation Ceremonies. The Installing Officer will be W: Loren Fairbanks; Installing Chaplin, R:W: Len Parker.

We need petitions to fill our Degree schedule. If any Brother knows of a friend who is interested in joining the Fraternity, please get him a petition.

We have several Officers places and committees that need staffing. If any brother is interested, please contact the Master at 865-0446.

The Brotherhood Fund is underway with our Chairman Junior Warden, Lawrence E. Wiler, 23 Peck Rd., Hilton, N.Y. 14468 receiving all donations.

We plan to fill the Trestleboard with Degree Work, Projects, Visitations, Educational Presentations, Group Activities, and Support Committees that should interest all members. Please Communicate any or all suggestions you may have.

Hope to see you at our meetings. Cordially and Fraternally, Robert P. Galloway, Master

FELLOWCRAFT

The Annual Election and Installation of Fellowcraft Officers will be held Tuesday, Jan. 28th at the Fellowcraft Lounge in the Masonic Temple. The Annual reports as read should be very interesting this year. This meeting will have a social hour at 6:30 p.m. and a Deluxe Italian Dinner at 7:30 p.m. Reservations close Jan. 23; so call D. Hage 271-4441, R. Couse 288-1920; W. MacVay 473-8105; or B.S. Horner 266-8411.

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

Again I wish to thank the Brothers of Yonnondio Lodge for their confidence placed in me by electing me Secretary for the ensuing year. I will continue to serve the Brothers and the Lodge to the best of my ability.

Yonnondio Lodge is embarking upon a year of great expectations, being our 125th year, plans for a great celebration are being made, the success of which depends upon the support the Brethren may give. Your Master W: Robert P. Galloway will appreciate your cooperation, as well as the other elected and appointed Officers of your Lodge.

We are again bringing to the attention of all Masons, the Donaldson Memorial Scholarship Fund, a more complete notice is published elsewhere in this paper.

Your Secretary wishes to thank the members for their response in paying the 1975 dues and understanding the necessary increase in the

Dear Brethren:
It is a great honor for me to have been elected as your Master for 1975 and I will do my best to uphold the tradition of your Past Masters.

Because of the short period of time between my Installation and the deadline for the Masonic News the appointments of new Committees will appear in the February issue. I will be the Chairman of the Brotherhood Fund for the 1975 Campaign and will mail out information to the Brethren of the Lodge soon.

The Fellowcraft Club will hold its annual meeting on Jan. 20th at 7:00 P.M. at Kelly's East on East Henrietta Road. Let's all try to be there and show the Officers of the Club that we appreciate their fine effort.

I would like to wish you all a Very Happy New Year. Fraternally, Theodore J. Theodore Master

TRESTLEBOARD

Jan. 9 - Open Meeting.
Jan. 23 - Open Meeting.

CALLED HOME BY THE SUPREME ARCHITECT

Clifford Beach Frazer - Initiated May 27, 1943; Passed June 10, 1943; Raised June 24, 1943; Entered into Rest October 28, 1974. Life Member.

W: Cliff Walter Sams - Initiated March 8, 1928; Passed March 22, 1928; Raised April 12, 1928; Worshipful Master 1963; Secretary 1968; Entered into Rest December 14, 1974; Life Member.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To the following Brothers celebrating January Birthdays: Gunner E. Johnson 2nd; Gilbert J. Hess 2nd; John Jack 4th; George V. Herbert 5th; Harold Williamson 5th; Henry Arva 7th; William Lindsay 10th; Henry Sill 10th; Milo Thomas 11th; Walter Feiock 13th; Frank Knowles 14th; Herman Thomas 15th; Howard Wilson 18th; Ernest Wilson 19th; Dwight Vandevate 20th; Donald Lewis 20th; William Nicastle 20th; Julius C. Voss 21; William Saunders 23; John A. Owellen 29th.



amount. Several have commented about the hardship incurred due to limited income and being out of town but rather than drop their Masonic affiliation have arranged to make their payment.

Our thanks also goes to the many who have contributed to the Brotherhood Fund when paying dues. Yonnondio has supported this program with much enthusiasm and your continued support is urgently requested.

Finally, to those who are two years in arrears in paying dues, please contact your Secretary so some plan can be worked out to retain your membership in the Lodge.

Fraternally, R:W: Barton S. Horner Secretary

CHARLOTTE LODGE
No. 1088
1st and 3rd Tuesdays

Can this be possible, I am sitting here writing my last message to you through the Monroe Masonic News?

I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to all those who gave me their support in the nine years that I have served as an Officer of your Lodge. To the present and past Officers, I cannot find the words to express my thanks, especially to one brother who has always been a true friend, advisor, Masonic brother, a Mason among Masons, one who never said, "no", the one who made me a Mason and always had an instructive tongue and attentive ear -- R:W: Everett VanPutte, "THANKS". I'll always hold the many friends I have made close to my heart.

1975 brings a new year and new Officers. I sincerely solicit your support for these hard working brothers.

As we enter the new year, "Let peace encircle all the world, let men walk hand in hand, a living bond of Brotherhood, a voice from land to land". Show your brotherly love with a generous donation to the Brotherhood Fund. Send your contribution to Albert Padget, 626 Magee Ave., Rochester, N.Y. 14613.

The Installation of 1975 Officers will be Jan. 7th. There is no better time to show them your support than to be in Lodge when they first sit in their new chair. My personal GOOD LUCK to all.

In closing I would like to leave you with a suggestion for a New Year's Resolution - "I resolve that I will stay away from my TV set on the 1st or 3rd Tuesday of each month and venture to 4550 Lake Avenue."

Wishing you and yours a Very Happy and Prosperous New Year - GOD BLESS. Fraternally, Robert L. Thrash

SECRETARY'S NOTEBOOK

A Happy New Year to all of my Brethren. New Year is the time for resolutions, let's schedule on our calendars the First and Third Tuesdays of the month to attend Lodge. We averaged 52 percent at each communication during 1974. Surely we can do better than that. Your Lodge needs you. Our Worshipful Master Leonard Mack has a most interesting year planned for 1975. Come on out to the Installation on Jan. 7th. and be with us when we start a new year. You can also pick up your program of the Installation so you will know what is going on. The Fellowcraft Team will have a new Chairman this year. He is Richard Padget. The Team needs your help. They meet the Second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Lodge. Come on out, you'll be made most welcome.

Save your stamps and bring them to me at Lodge and I'll see that they are delivered to a Stamp Club Officer. The Shrine Crippled Childrens Hospital in Springfield, Mass. uses them in their therapy programs.

A class of five candidates is scheduled to receive the First Degree on Jan. 21st. Come on out and give them your support.

All of the Brethren of Charlotte Lodge have received notices of Dues owed. Now

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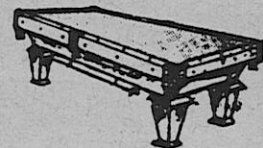
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FLOWER CITY LODGE
No. 910
2nd Tuesday

TRESTLEBOARD

Jan. 14 - Annual Installation of Officers for 1975 preceded by Banquet at 6:00 p.m.

Jan. 21 - Fellowcraft Club.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of Flower City Lodge was held in December and resulted in the election of Bro. Seymour G. Kopen as Master-Elect for 1975, with Bro. Sanford G. Hoffman as Senior Warden-Elect, and Bro. Erwin Newell as Junior Warden-Elect, with R:W: Herman Sarachan as Secretary and R:Wor. Joseph Silverstein as Treasurer. The various reports were presented and adopted.

In addition, we had the pleasure of welcoming our District Deputy Grand Master, R:W: Septimius DiLauro on the occasion of his Official Visitation. The District Deputy was accompanied by R:W: Walter Lindemuth, D.D. G.M. of the Second Monroe District, and in keeping with tradition, presented what he termed his "interpretation" of the Grand Master's message, which was well received.

ANNUAL INSTALLATION AND BANQUET

The Annual Installation and Banquet will be held on Tues., Jan. 14th., with a Sherry Hour at 5:30 p.m., followed by a Kosher Dinner catered by Bittker's at 6:00 p.m. The price, as one might expect in these "inflation days" is \$7.00 per person. Following Dinner, the Officers for 1975 will be installed by R:W: Albert E. Goldman, Past D.D. G.M., with W: Maurice Solomon as Installing Marshal, and W: George Hoffenberg as Installing Chaplain. For dinner reservations, obtain tickets from any of the Officers or call our Junior Warden-elect, Bro. Erwin Newell, at 342-1930.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

We mourn the passing of Bro. Stanley Fisher, and extend our sympathy to his family.

Bro. Abe Baker is home recuperating; Bro. Mike Schulman is now home; R:W: Joseph Silverstein is also home after surgery; Bro. Jack Goldberg is recovering from a heart attack; Bro. Gary Ronner and Bro. William Michaels are in the hospital.

To all, we send our best wishes for a full recovery and return to active affairs.

WE CONGRATULATE

Bro. & Mrs. Frank Kazdan on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Gary Alan.

MASTER-ELECT'S MESSAGE

Brethren:

A very high honor has been bestowed upon me, that of being elected Master of Flower City Lodge for 1975.

With a deep sense of pride, I humbly accept, and promise to do my best to uphold the high tradition and great reputation which Flower City Lodge has always held in our Community. To do this, I will need the cooperation of all the Brethren.

I have planned a very interesting program. I believe that I have a very fine line of Officers, and with their cooperation and assistance, and your regular attendance, I am

NORTHFIELD LODGE
No. 426
1st & 3rd Thursdays



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Dear Brethren:

With the Christmas Season past and the new year beginning, it is time to reassess our goals for the coming year and make a few resolutions toward attaining those goals. 1975 promises to be a busy year.

I myself, have resolved to do the very best I can in the coming year as your Master. I will be only too happy to receive suggestions from as many Brethren as possible regarding things you feel we should be doing or might do (1) to make our meetings interesting and meaningful, (2) to formulate long range goals for the improvement of Northfield Lodge and the Craft, and (3) methods of accomplishing these goals.

I strongly urge that each of you resolve to support your Lodge in the new year with your attendance at meetings, participation in other Lodge functions and such financial support as you can offer to our projects for the year. Then, please keep your resolutions.

As you know, Northfield Lodge is committed to assist our neighbors who were victims of the Bushnell's Basin Barge Canal incident, especially our three brothers, W: Henry A. McCurdy, William Czech and William Watson.

Our new Brother, Willis Pierce, has consented to be the Chairman for our Brotherhood Fund Committee for the year. Let us remember the good work that the Brotherhood Fund does and give generously to its support. The cost of everything is going up. The costs of the projects supported by the Brotherhood Fund are no exceptions.

On December 2nd, Brother Donald Smith was raised as a Master Mason. At the earliest opportunity, please fraternally welcome him.

TRESTLEBOARD

Jan. 2 - Installation of Officers - Open house afterward in my home at 35 Woodland Road.

Fraternally,
Robert E. Phelps, Master

certain that our various undertakings for 1975 will be successful.

I have appointed Wor. Maurice Solomon as Brotherhood Fund Chairman. It is not necessary for me to reiterate the great need for funds - please stretch your cabletow, and send a contribution. I am also proposing to have published a Lodge Telephone Directory sometime in September. Bro. Philip Kaplan is Chairman of this Committee, and further details will be forthcoming.

Any news you may have affecting our members - do not hesitate to contact me or any of the Officers. The deadline is the 15th of each month, so items must be in at least 24 hours before that date.

In closing, Brethren, I appeal for your support in all our undertakings; Support your Officers and your Lodge. Fraternally,
Sy Kopen, Master-Elect

WEBSTER LODGE
No. 538
1st and 3rd Thursdays

Brethren:

First of all, I sincerely hope that everyone had a Joyous Holiday Season and that the New Year finds our Lodge members healthy and happy.

The Officers for the ensuing year are: Horace Denton, Sr. Warden; Bob Wyble, Jr. Warden; George Gerkin, Secretary; William Fuchs, Treasurer; Walt Schattner, Chaplain; Scott Hollander, Sr. Deacon; Paul Moore, Jr. Deacon; Phil King, Sr. M.C.; Chuck Gremmels, Jr. M.C.; Tom Pellet Jr., and George Harrington, Stewards; Ed Peck, Marshall; and Dan VanDorn, Tiler.

It is certainly a privilege and an honor for me to be writing to you as your Master-Elect for 1975 and also to write the first issue of the Webster Trestleboard which you will receive about Jan. 15th. As we get into these publications you will receive Lodge news every two weeks. Both will be different. Bro. Ed Wood and his committee deserve a big round of applause for the work on creating the Trestleboard and all work done to refresh up the game room and hallway.

Thanks to W: Bro. Donald McTarnghan for a job well done in 1974 as Master.

Bro. Horace Denton, Brotherhood Chairman reports 8 contributions for a total of \$328.00. Webster Lodge is well on its way to another good start.

Sickness & Distress Committee: - I have appointed W: Bro. Thomas Pellet Sr., Chairman of this new committee with Brothers Jim Eaton, Jim Hopper and Charles Moore.

The function will be to assist the Wor. Master in visiting the sick and investigating any reports of distress among the members. It is the duty of every member of Webster to promptly notify the chairman of this committee or the Wor. Master of any case of sickness that comes to their attention.

This year on Saturday, Jan. 18th, at 8:00 P.M. we will have a Public Installation. W: Chuck White, Installing Master; W: Donald McTarnghan, Installing Marshal; W: William Guthrie will give a short explanation of Masonry for guests present.

This is an opportunity for your family and also any potential candidates to see the 1975 Officers installed and the Past Masters of Webster Lodge in action.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

George McDermett is home after suffering a recent heart attack.

TRESTLEBOARD

Jan. 2 - Installation - 7:30 p.m.

Jan. 16 - First Degree by Sr. Warden, Horace Denton.

Jan. 18 - Public Installation- 8:00 p.m.

Feb. 6 - Consideration of Budget - Guest Fame Lodge-Euchre Tournament.

Feb. 14 - Fellowcraft Winter Party - Country House.

Feb. 20 - Second Degree by Jr. Warden, E. Robert Wyble. Fraternally,
Kenneth V. Hutchinson,
Master-Elect

ROCHESTER LODGE
No. 660
2nd and 4th Mondays

Dear Brethren:

With Wor. Bro. C. Dan Jameson handling the Lodge election with his usual finesse, I am Master-Elect of Rochester Lodge and writing my first column for the Monroe Masonic News. I hope every member had an enjoyable holiday and made a New Years resolution to attend Lodge more regularly in 1975. Lodge meetings are held the 2nd and 4th Mondays, starting at 7:30 P.M. in Gothic Hall on the 5th floor in the Temple. We will be looking forward in sharing an evening of brotherhood with you.

January 13th will be the Installation of Officers for 1975. The following men will be installed: Worshipful Master, George M. Adams; Sr. Warden, Edward J. Garrett; Jr. Warden, Leo F. French; Secretary, Wor. Louis J. Fonte; Treasurer, Cornelius Behage; Trustee, Wor. Richard W. Zorn; Temple Civic Center Representative, Rt. Wor. Frank W. Fulreader; Chaplain, Wor. Kenneth J. Moore; Chaplain, Rt. Wor. Myron E. Wilkes; Sr. Deacon, Alberto G. Echevarria; Jr. Deacon, George T. Shannon; Senior Master of Ceremony, Richard H. Fuller; Junior Master of Ceremony, Frederick J. Kane; Steward, John E. Smelts; Steward, Frank H. Leisten; Marshal, Arthur Morrell; Tiler, Wor. Donald F. Leisten; Organist, Loren P. Kellogg. With this line we can't miss - all we need is your attendance.

At our Annual Meeting our newly elected Junior Warden, Leo French, presented a surprise gift to the Lodge. It was a cabinet that he designed and constructed himself, to hold our aprons and working tools. For as long as I can remember we've desperately needed a neat efficient system of storing our aprons. I've visited many Lodges and never saw one that did the job as well as this one does. Thank you Leo from myself and the Lodge for many years to come, for taking the initiative and solving our problem. Fraternally,
Richard W. Zorn, Master

Bro. Edward Garrett is chairman of the Brotherhood Fund. Send your checks to Ed at 41 Albermarle Street, Rochester, N.Y. 14613.

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SENECA LODGE
No. 920
3rd Tuesday



MASTER'S MESSAGE

Dear Brethren:

Meeting a press deadline forces me to be presumptuous in that as I sit here writing this, I have been neither elected nor installed Master. However, should the sun rise in the East a few more times and should nothing untoward develop, everyone in line including I will have moved up one chair by the time you read this.

Once again Seneca is blessed with a fine group of Officers backing up and giving support to the Master. We are all looking forward to an exciting and interesting year during which we hope to raise full classes in the spring and fall. In addition, we will have several open meetings devoted to fun type activities, the first of which will be our January Ladies Night meeting. I hope to see you and your lady there.

Fraternally,
Bruce E. Hansen,
Master Elect



contributions for the Brotherhood Fund have been coming in faithfully and steadily. Let all of us continue to help our Grand Master in reaching our goal this year.

As we begin a new year may I remind you that you have sworn to help, aid and assist all poor and distressed Brethren and their families.

Please make all checks payable to Masonic Brotherhood Fund.

Thank you.
Fraternally yours,
Edward Garrett, Chairman
Brotherhood Fund

TRESTLEBOARD

Jan. 6 - Fellowcraft Club - Installation of Officers.

Jan. 13 - Installation of Officers.

Jan. 27 - Open Meeting.

Fellowcraft meetings start at 8:00 P.M. in the Temple basement. We will have a First Degree in February so get your petitions back to the Secretary so we can have a full class.

Fraternally,
George M. Adams,
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NOTICE OF SUMMONS

Brethren:
You are hereby summoned to attend the stated communication of Frank L. Simes Lodge No. 990 to be held in Doric Hall Lodge Room, in the Masonic Temple, Rochester, New York on Tuesday, the 14th day of January at 7:45 p.m. for the purpose of voting upon the proposed change in By-Laws Art. VII, Section 3; and such other business as may come before the Craft including the Installation of Officers; voting upon W: Bro. Bruce Harrington as honorary life member and Lodge Trustee for the ensuing three years.
By order of
W: Bro. Bruce Harrington, Master
Attest:
Ralph E. Smith, Secretary

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

Bro. Merton W. Herlst is at Genesee Hospital for a lung removal. Cards and visitors would be appreciated.
Wor: Bro. George Siebenichen is back home from the hospital. Cards would be appreciated - No Visitors.
Bro. Art Cross is reported back to work.
Pat Van Zandt is home from her back operation. Pat won't haul the firewood for Wor. Bro. Dick yet.

FELLOWCRAFT CLUB

The Fellowcraft Club will be hosted by W: Bro. Fred Hills, 31 Owaissa Drive, off Culver Rd., first street North of Titus Avenue on the left. Jan. 21st is the date and I hope the woodwork will again bless us with some of our missing brethren as did the fine affair of last month at W: Bro. Robert Anderson's home.

An early morning fire in mid-December has left Bro. Joe Bishop and his family with little more than what they had on at the time. I call upon Brothers and their families to donate items which they may be without after such a loss. They have two children, a girl 1 year old and a five year old boy. Bro. Joe wears a size 38 jacket, waist 31-32 and his wife wears a size 10 dress.

Items may be dropped off at the Masonic Service Bureau. Additional information may be obtained from Bro. Glen Bishop or his wife by calling 288-7364.

BROTHERHOOD FUND

The Brotherhood Fund Chairman this year is Bro. Glen Stahl, 2040 University Ave., Rochester 14611. Your cooperation in immediately fulfilling your obligation as a Mason can make this a short and pleasant job for Bro. Glen. Additional follow-up mailings will be costly for the Lodge and personal contact is time consuming and can be embarrassing.

Information on Lodge brothers will be put into the news, so we can relate to our members what their brothers are doing or being honored with.

The sickness and distress

MASTER'S MESSAGE

Dear Brethren:
The 1975 Brotherhood Fund Campaign has begun and Clio Lodge representative for this year is W: Bro. Si Hulse. You will be hearing from him in the future, however why wait for that time. Send in your contribution today. The Brotherhood Fund supports the Utica Home. We are obligated as honorable men, as Masons, to fulfill our trust to the people who make the Utica Home their home and are counting on us for their future.

Brothers, if you have not paid your dues for 1975, please drop a check in the mail to the Lodge while it is on your mind.

The Lodge is about to pass into the guidance of another hand. Your new Master will need your support in order to do his job well. Give him that support. Attend meetings, participate in Lodge activities.

Fraternally,
Stuart Brickman, Master

TRESTLEBOARD

Jan. 7 - Installation of Officers - preceded by Dinner.
Jan. 21 - Business meeting.



column will only be as effective as the members and their families make it by reporting to a Lodge Officer or an active member of a brothers situation.

TRESTLEBOARD

Jan. 7 - Officers meeting - 7:45 p.m. in Temple.
Jan. 11 - Winter Party - 6:30 p.m. at Logans.
Jan. 14 - Installation - 7:45 p.m. at Temple - Tux.
Feb. 4 - Officers & Wives meeting - 7:30 p.m. at Tim Gray's home, 88 Anchor Ter.
Feb. 11 - Open meeting - 7:45 p.m. at Temple.
Feb. 7 - Ladies Night at Sweets Farm.

Dear Brethren:
I hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas and will have a Happy New Year.
I would like to thank all the Brothers that helped make this year as successful as it has been.
A special thanks to all the members for the pleasure and privilege of serving as Master this year.
Fraternally,
Bruce W. Harrington, Master

MASTER'S MESSAGE

I wish to thank the Lodge and its Officers for electing me to "Honor of the East." The efforts to be put forth by your Officers will be for your benefit and your support will be expected.

We are going to knock a hole in the wall of the past and work diligently on a fine door for you to enter, so please come in and join us, we even will oil the hinges as needed.

I will have the honor of being installed by W: Bro. George Stear and W: Bro. Robert Anderson who will act as Installing Marshal.
Fraternally,
George "Tim" Gray, Master-Elect

Dear Brethren:
Happy New Year and a sincere wish for Health and fulfillment in the future.

As Master-Elect, I look forward to a year of service to the Craft. Fame Lodge is fortunate in having a full line of young, enthusiastic and capable Officers. With these Brothers all pulling together the next several years should prove to be successful and satisfying.

BROTHERHOOD FUND

The annual Brotherhood Fund Drive is in full swing and Bro. Tom Huttemann is anxious to get in those early returns. Mail yours in NOW.

Our venerable Secretary, Cy Walker, is sojourning in Southern climes for the winter, and we all wish him and Mrs. Walker a warm, sunny and relaxing vacation.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

Bro. Willard Wolber is recuperating at home. Bro. Bailey Dean is at home recovering from surgery.

CALLED HOME BY THE SUPREME ARCHITECT

We mourn the passing of two of our faithful members, Edward Watts, who served as Tiler until his final illness. Howard Ketchum, who will always be remembered for his pleasant demeanor and prowess at Euchre.

TRESTLEBOARD

Jan. 14 - Installation of Officers followed by refreshments served by the Masters' and Past Masters' wives.
Jan. 28 - Business meeting, followed by the First Annual Fame Lodge Euchre Championship and English Darts Championship. These are new events and gifts will be offered by the Master.
Feb. 11 - Attention Wives. A tureen dinner will be served to the members and wives at 6:00 p.m. A short meeting of the Lodge, followed by some very unusual entertainment for the members and wives. Mark the date.

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Fraternally,
Dale Lawson, Master-Elect

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No. 805
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FROM THE EAST

This being my last message to you as Master I wish to express my sincere gratitude to all the Brethren for the privilege of serving as Master of Corinthian Temple Lodge in 1974.

May I urge you to support our Master-elect for 1975, Bro. Daniel E. Nesbitt. Presentation of his plans for the year will be most pleasing to you.
Fraternally yours,
Edward R. Shaw, Master

FROM THE WEST

Brethren:

The new year is rapidly approaching when Corinthian Temple will have new Line Officers, a new Master and a new program, performing the same excellent ritual work as in the past. Yes, January 6, is Installation Night and prior to the Installation at 6:30 P.M. in the 3rd floor dining room, we are going to enjoy a delicious Roast Beef dinner, with all the trimmings. The price for this dinner is \$3.50 per person. Plan ahead, and mark this date on your calendars! We are anticipating a large turnout for this dinner, so call your reservations in early to either Brother Walt Gay (663-1392) or yours truly (671-5146). Looking forward to seeing you January 6.

On January 20, our Lodge is fortunate to have the Rev. Robert C. Newell as our guest speaker. Rev. Newell is the Pastor of the Baptist Temple on Clover Street, of which I am an active member. For this reason, I can assure you that you'll enjoy his speech very much. Rev. Newell has agreed to speak on something light and easy, all the more reason that you will enjoy this evening. Make every effort to be present January 20 for a wonderful Masonic night.
Fraternally,
Daniel Nesbitt, Sr. Warden

SECRETARY'S CORNER

To each and every one of our members I want to wish you and your families a Happy and Prosperous New Year. Let each of us in this New Year pledge to attend Lodge and support our new Worshipful Master who has a very interesting schedule planned for you. Only with your support can the Lodge grow.

Many Happy Returns to the following members whose birthday is in January: Robert Allen, Jr., Arthur Argyries, Harold Arlidge, Sr., William Borate, Howard Briggs, Kenneth Butters, Elmer Carroll, David Cordy, Wor. Stuart Evans (Master 1946), Walter Falen, Carl Hjertstrom, Stanley Hoke, Edward Huck, Karl Janson, Donald Judd, Charles Karlik, W: Paul Kopp (Master 1965), Irvin Kressman, Earl La Force, R:W: Edward Lamb (Master 1927), William Lewis, Charles Lynch, Jr., Alois Mauer, Bernard Meyer, Paul Missal, George Reiner, Thomas Robertson, Leonard Schmeer, Sr., Norman Shapiro, Walter Shields, Leonard Treman III, Robert Van As,

Roger Van Wuyckhuysen and Raymond White.

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1974 - 26**

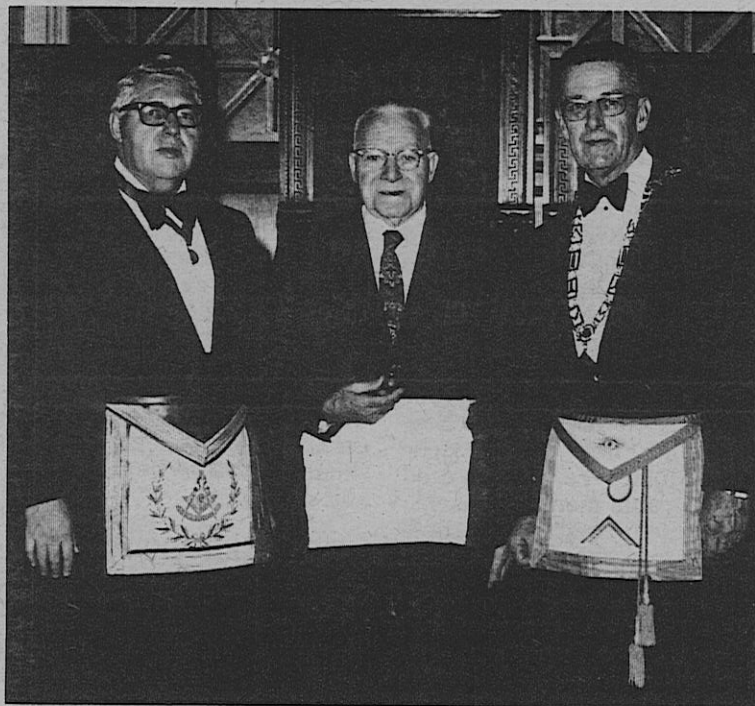
Brethren, it was my unpleasant duty to unaffiliate 7 of our members for non-payment of dues. This first of all means that we have lost 7 Brothers from our fraternity and secondly it represents a loss of 2 years dues that the Lodge has had to pay out for these Brothers. To me, the best way to go is to request to have your name withdrawn from the rolls. Being in good standing entitles a Brother to be reinstated with his own Lodge or to affiliate with another Lodge of his choice. This becomes very important in the retirement years when there are things to do and attend in the southern cities where belonging to the Masonic Fraternity is a big thing. Please consider this option before you let yourself become unaffiliated.
Fraternally,
Bertram M. Steene,
Secretary

SCHEDULE - 1975

- Jan. 6 - Installation Night-Dinner.
- Jan. 20 - Open meeting - Guest Speaker Rev. Robert Newell.
- Jan. 24 - Officer's Meeting at Master's House.
- Jan. 27 - Rehearsal and Fellowcraft.
- Feb. 3 - First Degree - Master in East.
- Feb. 17 - Open meeting - Guest Speaker Delta Labs.
- Feb. 24 - Rehearsal and Fellowcraft.
- Mar. 3 - Second Degree - Master in East.
- Mar. 17 - Open Meeting - Euchre Tournament at Corinthian Temple.
- Mar. 24 - Rehearsal and Fellowcraft.
- Apr. 7 - Third Degree - Master - Dinner.
- Apr. 21 - Open Meeting - Guest Speaker Rev. Paul Gleason.
- Apr. 28 - Rehearsal and Fellowcraft.
- May 5 - Move-Up-Night.
- May 19 - Old Timer's Night - New York Report.
- June 21 - Picnic - Hazelwood Lodge - Ellison Park.
- July 19 - Worker's Outing - Master's House.
- Sept. 1 - Holiday - No meeting.
- Sept. 15 - Open Meeting - High Speed Photography Demonstration.
- Sept. 20 - Clambake - South Lodge - Ellison Park.
- Sept. 17 - Journey to North Haven, Connecticut.
- Oct. 6 - First Degree - Sr. Warden.
- Oct. 18 - Open Meeting.
- Oct. 27 - Rehearsal and Fellowcraft.
- Oct. 28 - Euchre Tournament at Henrietta Lodge.
- Nov. 3 - Second Degree - Jr. Warden.
- Nov. 17 - Official Visit.
- Nov. 27 - Rehearsal and Fellowcraft.
- Dec. 1 - Third Three - Master - Dinner.
- Dec. 15 - Annual Meeting - Dinner.

REMINDERS

- Jan. 24 - Officer's Meeting.
- Mar. 17 - Euchre Tournament.
- June 21 - Picnic
- July 19 - Worker's Outing.
- Sept. 20 - Clambake
- Oct. 28 - Euchre Tournament.



Presentation of 50 Year Service Award to Bro. Harry Marshall by Right Worshipful Walter A. Lindemuth, District Deputy Grand Master of the Second Monroe District with Wor. Master Edward R. Shaw of Corinthian Temple Lodge No. 805, November 18, 1974.



The Right Worshipful Walter A. Lindemuth, District Deputy Grand Master of the Second Monroe District, presenting 60 Year Service Award to Worshipful Bro. Fred A. Weidel who served as Master of Corinthian Temple Lodge No. 806 in 1924. Presentation was made December 2, 1974.

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

Dear Brethren:

When this is published the Holidays will be over and it will be time for us to resume our labors.

Our theme for 1975 is the same as our Grand Master's -- Excellence in 1975.

We plan several new innovations during the ensuing year with the hopes that once again John Robertson Lodge will again assume the prominence in Masonry that it has had in the past years.

I believe that our 1975 Officers are the best of any Lodge in the two Monroe Districts and with the cooperation of the members of the Lodge we shall certainly have a banner year. Let's not forget the Brotherhood Fund. Bro. Frank Zaffino reports that to date, December 16, we have had \$419.00 in contributions. How much you give to the Brotherhood Fund Campaign is next in importance to whether or not you have given. If we can get every member of John Robertson Lodge to give something, that "something" is really what he can afford, the total should be adequate. Please do your part - give whatever you can afford in fulfilling our Masonic commitments for mankind and our Brothers in Utica.

TRESTLEBOARD

- Jan. 6 - Installation of Officers.
 - Jan. 20 - Business meeting - Term plans.
 - Feb. 3 - Business meeting - Fellowcraft.
 - Feb. 17 - First Degree - Jr. Warden in East.
 - Mar. 12 - Ladies Night -- details to follow.
- Fraternally,
L. Edward Walker, Master

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

Brethren:

Now that we have reached the end of our 1974 year, may I extend my thanks to all the Officers and Brothers who have made my year as Master a pleasant one. May I also urge one and all to pledge their support and help to the 1975 officers. Churchville No. 667 is "your Lodge" involvement can insure a very successful year in 1975.

Our recent Communion Breakfast was very successful and well attended.

December 11th, we honored two of our Brothers who had reached the milestone of 50 years membership in the Fraternity. Congratulations to Bros. J. Norman Vail and Charles Priest. Walter Lindemuth, D.D.G.M., presented the Brothers with their pins.

Again, thank you for a memorable year.
Fraternally,
Norman L. Morgan, Master

BROTHERHOOD FUND

Brothers,

What is the true badge of a Mason ... the pin or ring he wears, or the glow of satisfaction he radiates from the knowledge that he has fulfilled his obligations as a Mason. Give the badge of a Mason you may wear the added radiance that only fulfilled obligations can impart - give to the Brotherhood Fund. Send your contributions NOW to Ron Meier, Lodge Chairman.

HENRIETTA LODGE No. 526

1863  1973
2nd and 4th Tuesdays

Dear Brethren:

It is with great honor for me that you have elected me Master of your Lodge for the year 1975. I feel it should be the ultimate goal of every member to sit in the East. You have heard the Sr. Warden when asked by the Master "What induced you to become a Master Mason?" - "That I might obtain the Master's word," and the only way you can obtain it is by sitting in the East.

I feel we have about the best hand picked line officers we have had in years, they are very enthusiastic and capable.

The 1975 Program, we feel is not only a fun year for everyone but a progressive one for the Lodge.

All the committees are in very capable hands and I thank them for accepting the responsibility.

For the first time we have a youth committee to get the youth involved in programs which should prove exciting and interesting for them and the Lodge.

We also have a transportation committee for those who need it.

Please, let's not forget our Dues for this year and the Brotherhood Fund.

See you in Lodge.
Fraternally,
Mel Simmons, Master

TRESTLEBOARD

- Jan. 14 - Installation.
- Jan. 28 - Business Meeting.

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PENFIELD UNION LODGE

No. 154
1st and 3rd Tuesdays

Dear Brethren:

I have mixed emotions as my year as Master is ending. It has afforded me many opportunities for satisfaction, as well as frustration. If only I hadn't been selfish with my time, there were many more things I could have done for the enjoyment and enrichment of the Craft.

It is kind of fun to recapitulate on the highlights of the past year. The visit from our Canadian Brothers was so enlightening, and it was an inspiration to see Masonic Ritual exemplified so perfectly. I hope we have a full bus of Penfield Brethren on our visit to their Lodge in April. Details of this are now in the planning stage.

Many of us remember the good fun and delicious food we enjoyed as guests at the Star Picnic this summer. Marshall and Shirley Smith were such a delightful host and hostess.

The other outstanding occurrence was our 125th Anniversary Celebration. It was my good luck that it occurred during my tenure as Master.

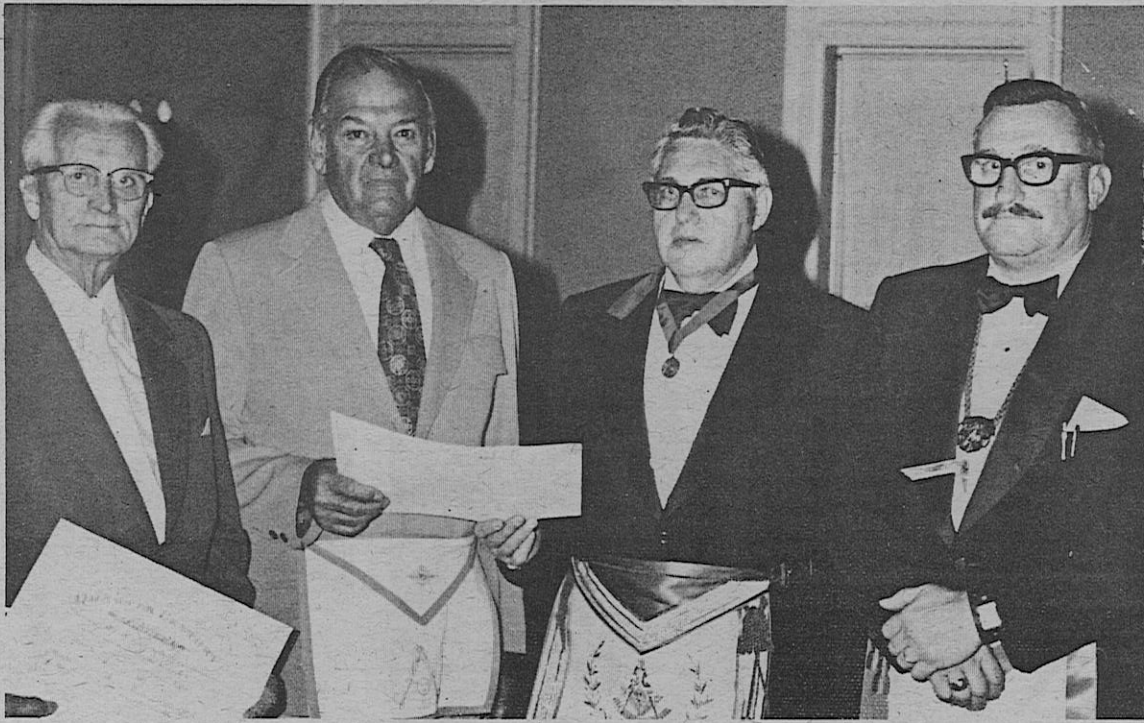
I look back with remiss and see the things that I should have pursued with diligence. We, as a Lodge, have not fulfilled our obligations to Brothers in sickness and distress. This should be one of our prime reasons for being, and yet we have selfishly concentrated our efforts on many less important activities which provide more merriment. Please Brothers, call me or pass the word to any Lodge Officer if you or any Brothers are ill or in distress.

We are fortunate having an incoming Master with the leadership qualifications that Bro. Eric Zaenglein can provide. Let us give our support by attending his installation on Tuesday, Jan. 7th. I will be happy to accept your dinner reservations at 586-7417. If I am not home, just tell Margaret how many and who. Our Brotherhood Fund for Penfield is progressing very well. Thank you Brothers who have already done your part, and I hope to hear soon from all of you that are able to contribute but have not so yet.

I appreciate the help and cooperation that my line Officers have extended me, and the meaningful friendships that have developed between us. I particularly want to thank R.W: Fred Wolfe and R.W: Ralph Kellogg, who have been so helpful in many ways during my year. It is they and others like them to whom we should openly extend our thanks for making Penfield Union the kind of Lodge of which we may be proud.

It seems a shame that so many Brothers have so completely shut themselves off from Lodge. To be quite frank and candid, there are things which are "not my cup of tea" so to speak. However, when I look at the overall good that Masonry does, and the Brotherly Love that prevails at Lodge, I feel privileged to have the association of men with such a strong common bond. I am making no effort to judge individuals as such, but I feel that our fraternity would be more meaningful if our membership were composed of dedicated Masons only.

Please forgive me for any



Bro. Merritt Kimball and Wor. Bro. William Zimmer are presented Quarter Century Certificates by D.D.G.M., R.W: Walter A. Lindemuth. Pictured left to right: - Bro. Merritt Kimball, Wor. Bro. William Zimmer, R.W: Walter A. Lindemuth, D.D.G.M., and Wor. Bro. Harris C. Nesbitt, Master.

EAST ROCHESTER LODGE

No. 1020
2nd & 4th Tuesday

Brethren:

By the time you read this article, election of Officers will have been completed and the Installation of these Officers will be near. The Installation night has been set for January 14. The presence of many sideliners as possible would, of course, be highly appreciated, by all whom are able to attend. At this time, I would like to take the opportunity to thank all of the Brethren for their vote of confidence and allowing me a seat in the East.

As all of you are well aware by this time, the Brotherhood Fund is underway and our Brotherhood Chairman, Bro. Merl Rodgers would be very appreciative of all the help and enthusiasm he could get.

On Tuesday, Jan. 28th, the newly installed Officers will be confirming a First Degree, again I appeal to as many Brothers as possible for the sidelines to welcome the newly initiated Brother.

Fraternally,
Thomas G. Formicola,
Master-Elect



words or actions that have not been in keeping with our "True Masonic Principles" of compassion and concern for each other. They were not intended to hurt anyone.

I congratulate Eric and all the others appointed and elected Officers and wish them the best in the coming year. Fraternally,
Wayne H. Slack, Master

UNION STAR LODGE

No. 320
1st Wednesday

At our December meeting we had a fine attendance and I would like to thank everyone who came. The Lalla Rookh Grotto was in attendance that evening and Bro. Gordon Dodge gave a very good documentary on the functions of their fraternity. After the meeting they also furnished for our viewing some very entertaining slides of what they do for fun as well as benevolence.

That evening we held our Annual Election of Officers and the results for the year 1975 are as follows: Master, Raymond Sipple; Sr. Warden, Jack McGirr III; Jr. Warden, Ernest Johncox; Treasurer, W: William Zimmer; Secretary, W: Carlton Lester and Trustee, W: Charles Lord. I wish you all congratulations and the best of luck for the ensuing year. I would also like to congratulate the newly appointed line officers and hope you all have a very good year.

As this is my last article in the Monroe Masonic News, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the Officers, Line Officers and all of my Committees as well as all of the Brethren for their fine cooperation and assistance this past year. Many thanks.

Also at our December meeting we appointed all of our Committees for the ensuing year. I would like to wish the Chairmen along with the members of these Committees the best of luck to make 1975 a very rewarding year.

This has been a very enjoyable and rewarding experience for me to have served as Master of Union Star for

OATKA LODGE

No. 759
2nd & 4th Wednesday

Brethren:

A new year is upon us, and your Lodge Officers will be installed in their stations and places at our first meeting, January 8th. The Ladies of Oatka Chapter No. 320 will prepare a buffet dinner at 6:30 p.m. Please call Bro. Bob Moore at 889-2478 or Bro. Phil Hise at 247-2625 for dinner reservations by Jan. 6.

On January 22, there will be a First Degree with Sr. Warden Bob Moore in the East. Support Bro. Bob and his Degree Team by attending this communication. Lodge opens at 8:00 p.m.

Tickets for our Centennial Dinner-Dance at Logan's on March 8th are available. Call Ed Laydon at 889-2172 or R.W: Walt Lindemuth at 889-2594 for reservations, as tickets are limited. This is our 100 Year Anniversary celebration! Don't miss it.

Fraternally,
Ed Laydon, Master-Elect



the year 1974. At this time I would like to thank the Lodge for having had the opportunity to have served as its Master.

I hope you all had a very Merry Christmas and I wish you all a most Happy and Prosperous New Year. Fraternally yours
Harris C. Nesbitt, Master

MASTER-ELECT MESSAGE

Dear Brethren:

This is my first letter as incoming Master. I wish you all Happy Holidays and a good New Year.

The Brotherhood Fund is in full swing. Please send your contributions to Bro. Jack McGirr, III, 62 West Main St., LeRoy, N.Y. 14482. It is for a worthy cause.

We have some events in the making for the coming year, in which you will be notified.

Please support your Lodge officers.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

If you know of anyone who needs our aid or assistance please call me at (716) 265-0291.

Fraternally,
Raymond A. Sipple,
Master-Elect

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



Dear Brethren:

As your incoming Master, I would like to extend my greetings to each of you. I am looking forward to an interesting year, and with your support and cooperation we will certainly have one.

On Jan. 8th, we will have our Installation, preceded by a dinner at 6:30 p.m. Reservations must be in by Jan. 5th. Call me at 225-1804 after 5:30 P.M.

W: Glen Ramsay and myself made calls on our shut-ins bringing them a little Christmas cheer. They are as follows: Bros. Ellis DeWitt, William Killip, Fred Lennox, Andrew Mutch, Ford Myers, John Holth and Edward Topel. These Brothers were most happy to see us, and all would welcome cards and visits.

I am very fortunate in having W: Bro. Earl Branch as my Brotherhood Chairman this year. He did an outstanding job last year, and I know you will all help him to do an even better job this year. As all of you are aware, the money you pledge goes to the Grand Masters projects and the Masonic Home and Research Foundation at Utica.

If any Brother is sick, or if any Brother knows of another who is ill, please let the Secretary or myself know as this is the only way we can find out.

On Jan. 22nd we will have R.W: I. Vincent Lloyd as a guest speaker. For an evening of enjoyment and good fellowship, and one you certainly don't want to miss, come on out on the 22nd, and hear this excellent speaker.

Dates you may wish to keep in mind are: Feb. 12th-Second Degree and March 12th-Third Degree.

Don't let transportation stop you from attending our meetings, and functions. Call me, and it will be arranged. Fraternally,
Delmar H. Miles,
Master Elect

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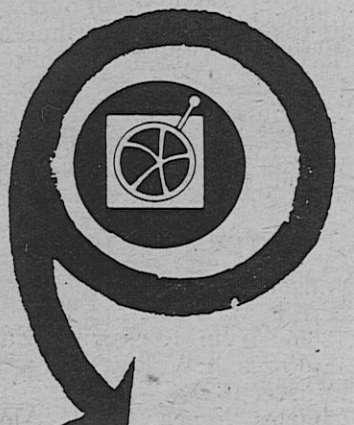
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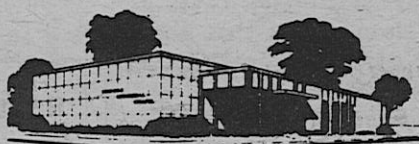
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FIDELITY TRIANGLE

Nov. 13 - 30 Fidelity girls and parents enjoyed dinner at the "Steak Stockade" at East View Mall and then attended the movie "The Longest Yard" at the Jo Mor Theater at East View Mall. The girls and parents work hard to earn money for their semi-annual "Queen's Term" charity quota. If there is a surplus at the end of the term, then they can have a party or outing of some kind.

Nov. 14 - Fidelity girls served and washed dishes for Corinthian Chapter dinner.

Nov. 16 - A delegation from Fidelity Triangle attended the formal installation of Officers of Niagara River Triangle No. 120 in Niagara Falls. It was a lovely ceremony and very well attended. It was also a very pleasant evening spent with old friends.

Nov. 21 - The semi-annual Line Officers Dinner was held at the home of Beloved Queen Mary Ann Farrell where plans for her term were discussed.

Nov. 23 - Regular meeting and the new Queen presented her term plans. A special Memorial ceremony was held in memory of Fidelity member Jessica Jones who died Sep 4, 1974. A special "Office Shoulder Regalia" was presented to the "Chairman of Supervisors" who is Mrs. Shirley Bailey, mother of the Queen. The Regalia is inscribed, "Donated by Past Beloved Queen Joyce Struck in Memory of Jessica Jones". The Regalia was presented by Mrs. Helen Jones, mother of Jessica.

Dec. 1 - Obligation Sunday at Grace Methodist Church. Each new Queen designates a certain Sunday as "Obligation Sunday" and she and her Officers and members and parents attend services at the church of her choice.

TERM PLANS

Jan. 5 - Cabin party, North Lodge, Powdermill Park, at 11:00 to dusk. Eat 2:00 p.m.

Jan. 11 - Formal meeting at 8:00 p.m.

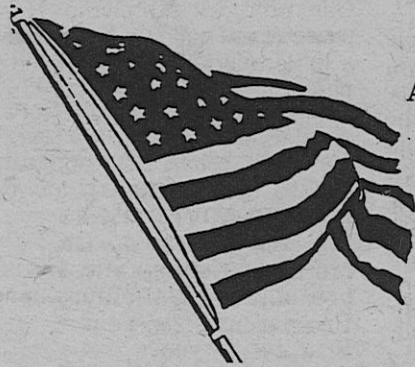
Jan. 12 - Bowling Party. Time and place?

Jan. 25 - Regular meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Feb. 2 - Cabin Party, North Lodge, Powdermill Park. 11:00 to dusk. Eat 2:00 p.m.



Fidelity Triangle Memorial ceremony for Jessica Jones. Beloved Queen Mary Ann Farrell, Past Beloved Queen Joyce, Struck, Mrs. Shirley Bailey who is Mary Ann's mother and Chairman of Supervisors and Mrs. Helen Jones mother of Jessica Jones.



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On July 4, 1776, our Founding Fathers proclaimed our Declaration of Independence which no less than four times refers to the existence of the Creator.

It was during the presidency of Abraham Lincoln that Congress directed the inscription "In God we trust" be placed on our coins.

With this in mind, several Congressmen and Senators suggested legislation adding the phrase "under God" to our Pledge. Congressman Oliver Bolton asked that there be no comma separating "one Nation" from "under God" and the Congress adopted his version in 1954.

Thus, when the Pledge is recited, it should be remembered that nothing stands between our Nation and our God, and no pause should occur at this point in its recitation. — California Freemason.

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

On November 24th, a group of girls and sponsors took a tour of the Brockport Fire Department. First the Chief gave a short talk about the Fire Department, and its history, then we all had a very interesting tour of the Fire Station itself. We all came out knowing a lot more about the Fire Department than we started. After the tour the firemen served us refreshments. It proved to be a very interesting afternoon. On December 7 we had our meeting which was Elections and Reports. The following girls were elected: Heather Cooper, Exalted Star of Light and Love; Kelly Thompson, Star of Happiness; Joy Lowry, Star of Mercy; Elaine Beardsley, Star of Kindness; Margaret Dobberty, Star of Records; Janice Bueg, Star of Treasurers and Karen Brethen, Star of Reliance. We also found out that this term was very successful for Karen. Her money that she earned this term will go to, The Monroe Masonic News, the Brockport Fire Department, and the Shrine Crippled Children's Hospital. On December 14, we held a Christmas Party at our Exalted Star's home. It proved to be a lot of fun for everyone. Our Installation of Officers, will be held Jan. 4th at 8:00 P.M. in Cathedral Hall, Masonic Temple. We hope to see a lot of people there!!!

The Constellation would like to wish you a Very Happy New Year.

DEMOLAY

**Dr. Elmer G. Seel Section
Order of DeMolay
Brothers,**

This year the Seel Section has been having programs that perhaps could have been better attended.

To improve attendance, we here present our programs for the near future.

Fraternally yours,
William P. Rhudy III,
Seel Section Master Councilor

COMING EVENTS

Jan. 4 - Section Sweetheart Ball at Rochester Masonic Temple - 8:00 P.M.

Jan. 8 - Section Basketball Competition, at Marion High School - 7:30 P.M.

Feb. 21 - Section Hockey Night at Rochester War Memorial.

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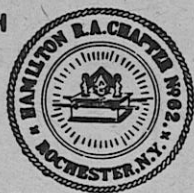
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This being my first communication to all the Companions in Hamilton Chapter, I would like to say that I am looking forward, with the help of all of you, to a banner year for our Chapter. By participation in as many meetings as possible, during the coming year, we can all get to know one another better, so mark your calendar now with a large circle around the second and fourth Thursdays of the year. Your support is needed, so why not make a resolution to attend just as often as you possibly can. I need your help if we are to continue to have the greatest Chapter in this part of the state.

I'm sure that you will agree that the meetings are a bigger success and one gets more out of a meeting if there is a big crowd. You say you haven't attended a meeting in a long time, and you don't know if you could still get in. Well, don't worry, we have men assigned to handle just such a situation, and they will take good care of you, and see that you get the red carpet treatment.

Our first meeting on Jan. 9th will be a Public Installation. This is a very impressive experience if you have never seen one. It also is an excellent way to get your friends exposed to Masonry. The Installation will start at 7:30 p.m., so round up your family and friends, and come out and join us, yes, this is open to all men and women, young and old. This Installation will be preceded by a dinner at 6:15 p.m. for you, your friends and family. Make reservations with myself (865-8969) or Mel Simmons (247-1133).

On Jan. 23rd, we will have an open meeting, and would like to see all of you on the sidelines, and you can even laugh at me when I stumble through the introductions. Don't miss the meeting on Feb. 13th, for this will be our Past High Priests Night. Why not come out and support the Past High Priest that was in the East when you joined Chapter?

The Morgan family wishes you and yours a very Happy New Year.
Fraternally,
Raymond H. Morgan,
High Priest-Elect

The birthday of our Lord and Master is accomplished and a new year has started. Could this be the long wanted "His Year." You could be a part of the action to make it His year. We invite you to be with us in this venture. Your participation will materially improve our measure of success. Let's always look ahead with vows to succeed. To honor our Past Commanders, our Dean of Past Commanders, our 25 & 50 Year Members, the Inspection, a bowling party, valentines party, Confer our orders on a class of candidates, to elect new Officers and to properly install them.

This is a big order of business. Our Officers will be concentrating on the schedule of business during the month of January. You will also be expected to enter into this planning at our two meetings in January - 3rd and 17th. If you are not in attendance at these two meetings your thoughts can not be a part of the planning. We do need your thoughts in our planning so the only answer is to be present.

There are also other things that need your attention. Things like our Eye Foundation. Your Commandery is well up in the list in life members in this venture but at the same time, no where near as high on the list as we could be. A new effort is under way to advance this program. You could be a part of it, so let's each one be a part of the program.

We need a Drill Team, Sir Knight Less Brown and Hall Miller are in charge of this need. We have ask for action on this need, action is the need so let's have action.

All these and many other things need action. Action by each of us is required. Looking ahead and doing the things Required to glorify our Heavenly Master. If we succeed, then we can take time and look back and judge our success, or could be lack of success. May the LORD be with you all for all of this New Year.

You are hereby summoned to attend the Annual Conclave of Cyrene Commandery to be held on Friday, Jan. 10th, 1975 at 8:00 p.m. 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.
**S.K. Gordon Mosher,
Recorder**

Happy New Year to all and best wishes from our Commander, his wife and all Officers of Cyrene Commandery. May we see you often during the year.

On December 13th we held our Annual Christmas Party and Toast. A tureen dinner was put on by the ladies of the Schicker Club and enjoyed by over 40 Sir Knights and their ladies. We had a wonderful time and think that we should have it more often. Thanks to all the ladies and June & Ernie for the lovely center pieces that graces our tables. In Cathedral Hall for all of us the Lilac Triangle girls put on a very nice Degree which we all enjoyed. We enjoyed visiting with them afterwards and thanked them for coming. We had 5 of our 6 new Sir Knights present who were Knighted on Nov. 23rd at the Fall Festival. We were very glad that they could come out and hope to see them often. We need you.

On Jan. 10th we will have a full form opening. New proposal for 1975 budget will be discussed. The ladies of the Schicker Club will also hold their meeting at the Temple that night. Will have lunch and good time together afterwards.

On Jan. 24th we will have a regular conclave with lunch to follow. Hope to see you there.

We have no deaths to report at this time from our Commandery. We were all saddened by the passing of S.K: Clifford W. Sams of Monroe Commandery on Dec. 14th. Sympathy was extended to his wife and family and those who could, attended the Masonic Service, Sunday night, Dec. 15th. We all will miss him very much.

Dues notices have been sent out to all members and any questions please contact our Recorder, and changes have been made. Due to circumstances beyond our control.

Believe that is all for now so keep the news coming and we will report it to you. Thanks and have a Happy. Fraternaly yours,
W: Scott Hollander, Jr.,
Em. Commander
S.K: Roy E. Huff, Reporter

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

Companions:

On Dec. 10 Ionic Chapter held the annual meeting and election of Officers for 1975.

After many years of faithful and efficient service, Ex. Comp. Herman Hilgerman was again elected and installed Secretary and now after he and Mrs. Hilgerman experienced considerable illness this fall are off to a well earned vacation in beautiful sunny Florida. Happy Holidays, Herman from all of us.

Jan. 28th will be the big date for the Installation of Officers for 1975. Companions come out and spend an enjoyable evening, see the Knights Templar honor guard exemplify their work, and support your Officers.

Your presence inspires us to greater achievements. Active members are a necessary ingredient for a successful Chapter. Let's all work to make Royal Arch Masonry the well known, active and respected institution it should be. Learn more about the moral values, history and traditions of our fraternity and the good work it does.

We sincerely hope you and yours enjoyed rewarding Holidays and wish you all a Very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Fraternally,
Dean Airy, High Priest Elect

**JAMES A. HARD POST #18
MASONIC
WAR
VETERANS
2nd Thursday**



The next meeting will be on January 9th for the purpose of electing officers for the year 1975, and transacting such other business as may be brought before the Post.

Installation of Officers will be January 19th at the Fairport Masonic Temple with a Family Dinner at 5:30 p.m.

Our regular visit to the Canandaigua Veterans Hospital. Let us help make life a little brighter for our fellow veterans by spending an afternoon with them.

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**MASONIC HISTORICAL
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From the November 1973 issue of Knight Templar Magazine, there is an article headed Mrs. Tom Thumb; it reads, in part,

Sir Knight G. Ward Stetson, Director of the Historical Museum of Middleboro, Mass. wrote to the Knight Templar Magazine about Mrs. Tom Thumb, "a life long" resident of Middleboro.

Livinia Warren was born in Middleboro. She married General Tom Thumb (Sir Knight Charles Stratton) in 1863 at Grace Church in New York City. Among the guests were President and Mrs. Lincoln and cabinet ministers. Her sister Minnie, also a midget, served as Maid of Honour.

**GEORGE WASHINGTON
MEMORIAL FUND
DRIVE BEING PLANNED**

Dear Sir & Brother:

Plans for raising an endowment fund to underwrite the support of the George Washington Memorial in Alexandria, Virginia, are being formulated. I have been appointed Chairman of the First Monroe District to convey this information to you. It has been suggested by the Grand Chairman, Henry Emerson, P.D.D.G.M. that I contact all Concordant Bodies and Masters of Lodges and acquaint them with what is proposed to be done: -

1. Past Grand Master M:W: Raymond C. Ellis (now President of the National Association) proposes we accept this as "A National Masonic Challenge".

2. Buy Honorary Memberships in the National Association (\$100.00) one hundred dollars.

3. In each District we should strive to obtain two or three Memorial donations of (\$1,000.00) one thousand dollars, possibly from organizations such as Scottish Rite, York Rite, Shrine, Grotto, Eastern Star, Knights Templar and Square Clubs.

The names of the donors will appear on a bronze plaque. It is also suggested each Master give this special publicity in his Lodge's monthly notices. Other ways of raising funds would be by holding social affairs, Art Shows, Concerts or sales of Antiques or Collectables.

There is also a Motion Picture and/or Color Slides which can be obtained to publicize the Memorial and this Campaign.

The Movie runs 15-minutes and is for sound projection. It can be obtained free from Film Library, Department of Conservation and Development, 911 East Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219. Be sure to include your zip code number.

There are also 50 slides in color (35mm); these can be obtained by writing Marvin E. Fowler, Secretary-Treasurer of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial-Alexandria, Virginia 22301.

For more information write me - W: Wallace Lessord, 153 West Ave., Spencerport, N.Y. 14559.

Fraternaly yours,
W: Wallace Lessord
Chairman, First Monroe District

DONALDSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Yonnonidio Lodge No. 163, F.&A.M. was endowed with a scholarship fund several years ago. This fund is for the promotion of education for the sons of Masons.

The Lodge has publicized this fund through the news media and several sons of Masons have benefited.

Yonnonidio Lodge is again calling this fund to the attention of all Masons and if there are any sons of Masons interested in this fund, they should contact the Secretary for information.

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DAMASCUS NEWS

WITHIN THE BLUE LODGES

SHRINE



Meets every Monday 12 Noon at Eddie's Chop House

The shrine Lunch Club for the month of January is going to use every Monday meeting to promote Masonry and our beloved Shrine. If you know of any men who would like to know something about the Blue Lodge, York or Scottish Rites, or the Shrine, bring them to the Monday noon meetings as your guest, and they will be served lunch for a reduced fare of only \$1.00. This offer good on all the Mondays in January.

The purpose of this type of program is two-fold. First, to be able to explain to any men interested in either Blue Lodge, York or Scottish Rite, or the Shrine, what they are all about, a little about the History, and answer any questions they may have. Second, to give information to all Nobles present that can help them in obtaining new members for any of our great Masonic orders and especially our Shrine.

May I urge all the Nobles to get behind this effort and not only come yourself, but bring along a friend who you feel would like to know something about this kind of program. Lunch starts at 12:00 Noon, and the program never goes over 1:30 P.M.

January 6 - Blue Lodge and York Rite Monday. Nobles Hal Miller, Bruce Dayton and Ralph Biggar.

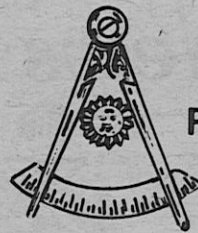
January 13 - Talk by our Grand Chaplain R:W: Paul Gleason.

January 20 - Scottish Rite Monday. Noble Rodney R. Rittenhouse.

January 27 - Shrine Monday - Speaker to be announced.

NOTE: In the month of February another new wrinkle is being added to the Lunch Club. On Washington's birthday, February 17th, the Lunch Club is holding its first Father-Son or Grandfather-Grandson Monday. Noble Larry Alman is putting together a great program for the young and old, and all sons or grandsons will be served lunch for a reduced fare of \$1.00. As schools will be closed for the Holiday, you will be doing Mother a favor by getting Junior out of the house and bring him to the Shrine Lunch Club.

Fraternally,
Hal R. Miller, President



DAMASCUS PAST MASTER'S DEGREE TEAM

By Lawrence Alman

The Annual Dinner meeting of the Damascus Temple Past Masters Degree Team will be held at Rick's Prime Rib House on Howard Road on Friday, Jan. 31st at 6:30 p.m. Besides enjoying a fine dinner and the sociability of fellow members and the Divan, the election of Officers for 1975 will be held. All 1974 Masters who are Shriners will also be invited to attend. Post card notices of the meeting will be sent to active members of the Team as well as to Divan Members.

To date we have confirmed requests for Third Degree

conferrals in 1975 from four area Blue Lodges.

Feb. 26 - Germania Lodge No. 722, Rochester.

Mar. 6 - Webster Lodge No. 538, Webster.

Mar. 20 - Hesburs Lodge No. 837, Bergen.

May 20 - Charlotte Lodge No. 1088, Rochester.

On behalf of our Illustrious Potentate Dr. Russell Lane, we wish to thank those Lodges who made donations to the Shriners Crippled Children's Hospital in appreciation of the work performed by the Past Masters Degree Team during 1974.



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"Yet ... I am only a postage stamp!" The Home Stamp Club of Utica received this soliloquoy from Brother Ed Chase of Corona Lodge No. 261 and forwarded a copy to our Club. The soliloquoy is in the display cabinet in the lobby of the Masonic Temple. One can read it in its entirety.

The above portion quoted is but a part of the original. Fraternally,
Willard E. Garrett

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