

Apron Presentation Night September 30th

Churchville No. 667 Presents Apron

The initial presentation of the apron to D.D.G.M. Earl Steffen will take place in Churchville Lodge #667 on September 14th at 8 P.M., the first Fall meeting. The apron will be presented by R.W. Marvin Beattie, Past D.D.G.M. and Past Master of Churchville Lodge. Among the guests attending will be R.W. Kenneth Crawford, Senior Grand Warden; and guest speaker R.W. I. Vincent Lloyd, 33°, Past Grand Chaplain.

A Roast Beef dinner will be prepared by the Eastern Star and served at 6:30 P.M. preceding the meeting. Reservations are a must, due to the limited seating capacity.



R. W. R. Kenneth Crawford

R. W. R. KENNETH CRAWFORD WILL DELIVER ADDRESS

Under the sponsorship of the Masonic Service Bureau, the First and Second Monroe Districts Apron Presentation Night will be held at Logan's, 1420 Scottsville Rd. on September 30, 1977.

Aprons will be presented to R.W. Gordon L. Hoag and R. W. Earl C. Steffen, District Deputy Grand Masters for the First and Second Monroe Districts respectively. Also to R.W. Leon R. Perkins, Grand Sword Bearer and to R.W. Melvin L. Simmons, Grand Director of Ceremonies. The presentations will be made by a representative of the honored Brothers' lodges. Following the presentation R.W. R. Kenneth Crawford, Senior Grand Warden, will deliver his address.

The cocktail hour will be from 6:30 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. at which time a choice of Roast Sirloin of Beef dinner at \$7.75 or Stuffed Breast of Chicken dinner at \$7.25 will be served. The price includes the tip. No tax will be charged due to our

sponsorship by the Service Bureau. Dancing following the dinner with music by Al Miller's Orchestra.

Committee for the evening is R.W. William R. Wood, Toastmaster; R.W. Bertram M. Steene, Arrangements; R.W. Bruce Brainerd, Treasurer and R.W. Thomas L. Davis, Communications; with R.W. C. Laurence Kilmer, Wor. John Briskie, Wor. John Weekes and Wor. Lawrence Millerd completing the members of the committee.

Tickets may be obtained from your lodge chairman and all returns must be in the hands of the treasurer by the evening of October 24th at the Masters and Wardens Assoc. meeting. A limited amount of tickets will be available at the door.

All Masons, their Ladies and friends are invited to attend.

Make up a party and join us in one of the highlights of the Monroe District affairs.

MASONIC SERVICE BUREAU

We hope you have all enjoyed a relaxing and productive summer, and are now ready to resume a full schedule of fall activities in your lodge, chapter, etc. There's nothing like the summer sunshine (even - or especially - in Rochester) to recharge our batteries and renew our energy for the various tasks in which we engage.

The Salvation Army Picnic on July 16 was very successful, although we were quite short-handed, as very few volunteers were there. Our special thanks to Chairman Harry and Ethel Kennedy, Bob and Gladys Orne, and Ray Whitley for their able assistance and good efforts. We also want to thank Stan Allen for arranging the donation of T-shirts and helmets which were used as prizes for the games.

Tickets for the Communion Breakfast have been distributed to the Masters of Lodges, and are also available in the Scottish Rite office and the Service Bureau office. Plan now to attend the Religious service and breakfast on Sunday, Oct. 30 with your wife and friends. If you have every heard Ill. George Newbury speak, you know you are in for a real treat

Fraternally,
William R. Zufall,
Executive Director

R. W. GORDON W. HOAG D.D.G.M., FIRST MONROE DISTRICT



St. John Day, June 19th, 1977, a memorable day in my life, was a day I shall always cherish. It is with great pride and humility that I start my year as District Deputy Grand Master of the First Monroe District.

I have to start off with a little story. A man passing a new building under construction asked three laborers,

"What are you doing?" The first man replied "Stone-cuttin'!" The second smiled "Putting' in time-until a better job comes along." The third man waited a moment then said simply, "I'm building a cathedral!"

My brothers, let's not be like the first two men. "Only Masons", or "I joined because I heard it was a good thing." Let's be like the third man, proud to be Masons and for what it stands and build for the future. Let's get out and extend our hand in friendship to our brother man and show what the teachings of Masonry are all about. We should be proud to be Masons. Proud of being part of a fraternity that circles the world and extends its' hand in friendship, brotherly love and benevolence to all.

Our main theme for the next three years will be "Think Big and Build". Because of the mandate from the State Government we are faced with a monumental task of remodeling and building at the Utica Home. To retain our operating licenses, and meet the codes established by the New York State Department of Health and the New York State Board of Social Welfare, we must add to the Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Building, and renovate and add to Wiley Hall. To do this we will need to raise \$7,500,000. The Deputy Grand Master and Trustees of the Masonic Home have started this drive, which will last three years. It is a goal that must be attained and I know that every Mason in the State of New York will help meet this obligation. The Guests of the Utica Home have already pledged \$5,000, over the next three years, out of their meager \$26.00 per month spending money and the volunteer workers at the Home, who are not even Masons, have pledged another \$3,000. I am sure we will succeed. The task ahead is a big one and I welcome any and all help I can get from all the brothers.

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R. W. EARL C. STEFFEN D.D.G.M., SECOND MONROE DISTRICT



I am looking with great anticipation to meeting and bringing the Grand Master's message to each of you. We have some challenging work to perform this year. Some of which will be finished this year and some which will be going on for some time to come. There is a saying which goes "A man works from sun-up to sun-down but a womens work is never done." It would seem that our Grand Lodge would fall into the latter part. For as long as we have been a Mason there has always been work to be accomplished in the quarries of Masonry. I am sure that with all the brothers doing their part we will accomplish the tasks that are laid out before us.

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LET'S GO VISITING

- 6 - Charlotte - Opening mgt. (Sports shirt nite).
- 8 - Genesee Falls - Business mtg.
- 8 - Zetland - Business mtg.
- 8 - Hamilton Chptr. - Opening mtg.
- 9 - Cyrene Commandery - Opening mtg.
- 12 - Etolian - Opening mtg.
- 12 - Wakan - Opening mtg.
- 12 - Rochester - Memorial Nite.
- 12 - Ionic Chapter - Regular mtg.
- 13 - Fame - Open mtg.
- 13 - Flower City - No mtg. in Sept.
- 13 - Henrietta - Summons mtg.
- 13 - F.L. Simes - Opening mtg.
- 13 - Webster Chptr. - Opening mtg.
- 14 - Churchville Lodge - Apron Presentation to D.D.G.M. Earl Steffin.
- 14 - Oatka - Open mtg.
- 14 - Union Star - 1st Degree.
- 15 - Webster - D.D.G.M. Off. visit.
- 15 - Northfield - Past Masters nite 25 & 50 yr. pins presentation.
- 16 - W.C. Hubbard Opening Nite.
- 18 - Etolian - Sunday Breakfast 8:00 to 9:30 A.M.
- 19 - J.A. Robertson Opening mtg.
- 20 - Yonnonidio - 1st Degree.
- 20 - Charlotte - 1st Degree.
- 20 - Penfield Union - 1st Degree.
- 20 - Seneca - Off. visit of D.D.G.M.
- 20 - Clio - Past Masters Nite.
- 22 - Genesee Falls - Off. visit of D.D.G.M.
- 22 - Hamilton Chptr. - Off. visit of Grand King.
- 23 - Cyrene Commandery Regular mtg.
- 24 - Union Star - Golf Tournament.
- 26 - Etolian - 1st Degree.
- 26 - Wakan - 1st Degree.
- 27 - Henrietta - D.D.G.M. Off. visit.
- 27 - East Roch. - Off. visit.
- 28 - Churchville - move-up nite.
- 28 - Oatka - Open mtg.
- 30 - Monroe Districts Apron Presentation at Logan's Party House.

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D.D.G.M. - SECOND MONROE DISTRICT

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The dates for the Grand Lectures visit, the Communion Breakfast, the Apron presentation, Official visits and many other activities have been set. Please attend and support as many as you possibly can for they are all worth while and deserving of our support.

I am looking forward to the visit of our new Grand Lecturer R.W. James A. Higgins of Troy, N.Y. Lets all turn out and show him what the Monroe districts can do.

Once again let me say how much I look forward to meeting each of you in your lodges this fall. If I can be of any help do not hesitate to call on me.

Fraternally,
Earl C. Steffen

D.D.G.M. - FIRST MONROE DISTRICT

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This year will be a busy and active year with many functions planned by the Fellowcraft Clubs and the Fellowship Committee. It is my wish that everyone supports these functions and their Lodges. An active Lodge is a healthy one.

Remember Brothers, the WORDS for the year - "THINK BIG AND BUILD".

Fraternally yours,
Gordon L. Hoag, District Deputy; First Monroe District

I would like to congratulate the following men from the First Monroe District, who have been appointed by either Grand Lodge or myself. I wish them a successful year and look forward to working with them.

- R.W. Leon R. Perkins - Grand Sword Bearer, Ancient Craft
- R.W. Leon R. Perkins - Brotherhood District Chairman
- R.W. Roy S. Dementint - Board Relief & Employ., Ancient Craft
- R.W. Herman Sarachin - Custodian of Works, Flower City
- R.W. Septimus DeLauro - Lodge Service, Etolian
- R.W. Donald Rockcastle - Special Awards, Clio
- R.W. Roy Dementint - Related Organization, Ancient Craft
- R.W. Norman Selke - Restoration, Seneca
- R.W. Albert Goldman - Law Enforcement, Flower City
- R.W. Stanley Peterson - Community Service, W.C. Hubbard
- R.W. Myron Dox - Endowments, Valley
- R.W. Kenneth Dickinsen - Com. Brotherhood, Monroe
- W. Gary Lund - Blood Donor Program, F.L. Simes
- W. Maurice Solomon - Communication Rep., Flower City
- W. Horace Denton - District Service Rep., Webster
- W. Robert Rudman - Communication Alter., Monroe
- Br. Scott Hollander - DeMolay Rep., Webster
- Br. Frederick Horch - Dist. Youth Chairman, F.L. Simes

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CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

by Rev. William H. McKee

FOR EVERYTHING A TIME

In the third chapter of Ecclesiastes, we read "For everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven." The writer was believed to be a very devout man of his time who has not left his name attached to this book of devotion which is worth reading - it follows the Book of Proverbs. In the last chapter are words, very familiar to members of our fraternity.

We are returning from our summer vacation to resume work, study, Lodge, and many other activities. Sept. 5th is Labor Day, Roch Hashans Sept. 15, Yom Kippur Sept. 22, World Wide Communion Oct. 2, Reformation Day Oct. 31, Thanksgiving Nov. 24, Hannakak Dec 5-12 and Christmas Dec. 25.

All of these are not observed by all of us but there is a time for observance for every one - a time to resume and renew our fraternal ties, our religious affiliations that we may shre in planning for a better world.

As well as the above observances, our state organization will shortly begin a great program of renewal at Utica where over 600 of our older members, wives and widows are cared for in their later years. The Utica Masonic Home dedicated in 1893 merits the support of every member as it so well exemplifies the expression of our care of our brothers. Grand Lodge will be telling you more in the near future. Attend your regular communications, read the Empire State Mason and respond when asked to share.

There is a time and season for every purpose under heaven wrote the author of Ecclesiastes and now is the time to renew, restore, revitalize and return to all that is worth while. Support and attend your house of worship, be a brother in every sense to all mankind, strengthen the ties between nations, plan to extend the teachings which have supported and given justice, freedom, international peace and all the movements looking toward a better world. Granted an individual effort is small - it is the combined effort that counts, do not refrain or refuse when asked fearing a small measure will not count for it will be our united total effort that triumphs in the end.

We turn again to the end of Ecclesiastes

"Fear God and keep His commandments for this is the whole duty of man

For God will bring every work into judgment with every hidden thing whether it be good or it be evil"



GROTTO

Prophets--Summer's over, Fall is here: Let's get off our dead fannies, and get into high gear . . . (kind of corny) But brethren, our Grotto has many important events coming up. First of which is our Circus on Sept. 10 at the Auditorium. There are 3 shows. Why don't you try to make one of them. And don't forget to send in your money for the tickets you received through the mail. Every little bit helps.

Our first Grotto meeting is scheduled for the third Wednesday in September. Don't you think it would please our Monarch if a good crowd were on hand.

Then the next event of importance is the E.S.G.A. convention in Toronto on the 27, 28, and 29th of Spetember. Wouldn't it be the "nuts" to have all our units rpresented there and to march in the parade to the music of the best band in the realm. Think about it and check with Ernie about reservations.

Did you hear that P.M. Earnest Wilson (our Secretary) has been appointed to a very important position in the Order of the Easter Star. He will take over the position of Associate Grand Sentinel at grand sessions in October. This is a feather in the hat to our Grotto and an honor to a really deserving brother. Congratulations, Ernie.

All of our units held their picnics during the summer and I'll bet we hear some really good stories at our first meeting.

Another event coming up is the Steak Roast on September 17. Don't forget to get your reservation in early.

It's kind of tough to write a column after a few months off. If you hear of anything of interest to our members, why don't you let me know. Give me a call at 473-8728 or contact any Grotto officer who will let me know.

Hope to see you all soon.

George Francis,
Publicity



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. A brother who dimitted some years ago has returned to the city, and wishes to reaffiliate with his former Lodge. Our Past Master say that he must petition for affiliation and receive a "clear" ballot. Is this correct?

A. At the annual communication in May, it was voted for the first time as an amendment to the constitutions that a dimitted brother who wishes to be restored to his former Lodge, if within five years, may upon payment of the current dues, be restored by majority vote by show of hands. After five years a unanimous ballot is required.

This amendment will doubtless be finally adopted in 1978.

It is our suggestion that you anticipate final adoption of the amendment and act accordingly.

Q. We are told that the duty of the senior Deacon is to carry orders from the Wor. Master to the Senior Warden, and the duty of the Junior Deacon is to carry messages from the Senior Warden to the Junior Warden. I have not seen any orders or messages conveyed. Do these statements have any special meaning?

A. This is an example of a practice long discontinued, the wording of which remains in our ritual.

From the exposes of the 18th and early 19th centuries we learn that it was the practice in opening and closing Lodge, and in calling to "refreshment" for the Master to whisper the order to the Senior Deacon, who conveyed it by whisper to the Senior Warden who in turn whispered it to the Junior Deacon who conveyed it by whisper to the Junior Warden; who announced it to the brethren in a loud voice.

The practice was discontinued in due time, but remained in the recital of the duties.

INTERLODGE FELLOWSHIP

Report on

1977 Golf Tournament

Forty-five enthusiastic duffers participated in the Monroe Districts Fellowship Committee Annual Golf Tournament at Salmon Creek Country Club on Saturday, June 4. All enjoyed a beautiful day in the sun followed by a delicious buffet.

Blind Bogey winners were John Beck, Jim Powell, Don Shoemaker and John Chirillo.

Event Winners: Low Gross - Dick Owens, Etolian Lodge; Winner-A-Flight - Harry Taylor, Webster Lodge; 2nd Place - A Flight - James MacConnell, Hesperus Lodge; Winner - B Flight - John Beck, Wakan Lodge; 2nd Place - B Flight - Robert Irwin, Etolian Lodge; Winner - C Flight - Fred Hand, Warren C. Hubbard Lodge; 2nd Place - C Flight - Don Rockastle, Clio Lodge; Longest Drive - James MacConnell, Hesperus Lodge; Closest to the Pin - Dale Lawson, Fame Lodge.

COMING EVENTS

Annual Fall Trap & Skeet Shoot

Outlet Rod & Gun Club, 3201 Atlantic Ave. Trophies for individual trap & skeet plus aggregate. Charles F. Jutsum Trophy for High Trap. All Masons are welcome. Co-sponsored by Monroe District's Fellowship Committee and Wakan Lodge #1054. For reservations or information, contact Ed Lange - 865-6571 or your Lodge secretary.

First Annual County Euchre Event

Open to all Monroe County Masons. Webster Lodge Hall - 97 South Ave., Webster, N.Y. Thursday, September 29, 1977 - 7:30 p.m. Prizes for individual, team, Lodge, Lodge attendance, District. Food and beverages will be provided. Registration fee - \$2.00. See your Lodge secretary for tickets, or call Ed Wood - 872-3732.

BROTHER

MAKE YOUR DONATION

If your Lodge had to pay for the maintenance of its deserving elderly folks at a private facility, it wouldn't be as good as our Home in Utica and it would cost YOU a considerable sum of money each year. Why not count your Blessings for our Home... and give just a small part of the amount you save to the Brotherhood Fund TODAY.

LODGE news and views

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

Dear Brothers:

I do not know where the summer has gone, but it has slipped away and it is now time to start Lodge meetings again.

Those of you who were at our "Awards Night" knew that Wor. Ivan Meyer and Bro. John Auer promised us a nice Hot Summer, and true to Masonic tradition they have kept their word and as far as I am concerned, it has been a gorgeous one.

A side note on our Awards Night, we had one other Brother eligible for a 50 year pin award and that was Bro. Robert J. MacAdam. I have received a note that the Gold Coast Shrine Club in Deerfield Beach Florida presented Bro. MacAdams his 50th year award at a special night with wives in attendance, 412 to be exact, so from us up here in Rochester - Congratulations Bro. Bob.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

I am sorry to report the death of 3 of our beloved Brothers: Bro. David B. Birrell, died June 7, 1977; Bro. Howard P. Lawson, died June 27, 1977; and Bro. Alexander Robertson, died Aug. 3, 1977. Sympathies of the Lodge were extended to the families of the above Brothers.

Also, sympathies of the Lodge were extended to the following Brothers: Bro. William Plews on the passing of his sister Catherine Sleffler on May 24, 1977; Bro. Stewart LeBarron on the passing of his mother, Francis on June 10, 1977; Bro. August Kubes on the passing of his wife, Theoda on June 16, 1977; Bro. George Foote on the passing of his sister, Pauline on June 30, 1977; and Bro. Frank Tanch on the passing of his brother, George on July 12, 1977.

At my last report I announced the illness of Bro. Sam Grover our Chaplin, and Bro. Alfred Triest our Tiller. I am happy to report that they are coming along fine and are in good health. Also that Bro. Louis Benjamin in recovering from surgery in Seminole Florida. In addition we are glad to report that Bro. James Passarella is making spectacular recovery from a serious accident, and will be back to work very soon. We know that you can't keep a good man down, Jim.

It was nice to see Bro. Howard Marchak this summer, but sorry to hear the reason he was back in Rochester. His wife Millie underwent Heart Surgery

and I am glad to report that the surgery was successful and that they are now back in Florida.

Remember our 1st meeting for the Fall season will be held Sept. 19. This is an important meeting and I urge each one to attend. We have a Ladies Night coming up Sept. 30. This is the District Apron Presentation at Logans. This will be the social event of the Fall season and I hope John Robertson Lodge will have a large attendance for this important occasion. A special letter will be sent on this event when all particulars are finalized.

Birthday greetings are extended to the following Brothers: 8/6 - George W. Adams, Jr.; 8/8 - John H. Lighthouse; 8/10 - Deforest F. Crouch; 8/11 - Peter M. Wright; 8/13 - Robert F. Allen; 8/14 - Malcolm M. Nulton; 8/15 - Charles C. Sheldon; 8/16 - Charles Webster; 8/17 - Gordon Heckel; 8/18 - Wm. H. Nitzel; 8/19 - Dean J. Critchell, Frank E. Woodward; 8/20 - Burdett C. Edgett, Albert J. Neracker, Jr.; 8/21 - Herbert R. Young; 8/25 - Warren G. Doerrer; 8/26 - Albert E. Rosenbauer; 8/30 - Wm. H. Hartwig, Jr.; 8/31 - Galo L. Pollow; 9/3 - Irwin H. Conley, Frederick A. Lang; 9/4 - Edward J. Baker, Marvin R. Eidman, Merl W. Nulton; 9/5 - Clarence A. Brethen; 9/6 - George H. Wilson; 9/7 - Walter H. Durbin; 9/9 - Richard W. Redder; 9/12 - Earl Jones; 9/15 - Donald A. Kelly; 9/18 - Carlton W. Wagner; 9/19 - Robert H. Freitag, Elmer F. Smit; 9/21 - Wm. H. Cowan; 9/23 - Harold J. Markham; 9/24 - Clifton A. Schlenker; 9/25 - Walter B. Gibault, Milton A. Kingsley, Alexander A. Marshall; 9/27 - John K. Matthew; 9/29 - Charles H. Relin; and 9/30 - Gordon D. Blakeslee.

TRESTLEBOARD

Sept. 19 - 1st meeting.
Sept. 30 - District Apron presentation (Ladies Night).
Oct. 3 - 1st Degree.
Oct. 17 - District Deputy Annual Visitation.
In conclusion, let us all start the Fall season with the resolve to attend Lodge meeting and to support our functions.
Fraternally,
Ed Walker, Master

FAME LODGE

No. 945
2nd and 4th Tuesdays

Brethren:

I had a great summer and, like you, wish that it could be extended another couple of months. However, the fact remains, here we are in September and Lodge activities about to begin. I think I should comment on the last meeting and our summer picnic. The last meeting, Sport Shirt night, I thought was fun. It's always nice to hear laughter in lodge and this is what we had, brought about by our Sr. Warden Stu Woodard with his prizes for the best fancy shirt. We also had a little sentiment thrown in as we bade farewell to Bro. Willard Wolber and his wife Thelma, both of whom are retired and going to live in California to be near their daughter. Willard has been a very devout member of our Lodge and his wife Thelma of Culver Chapter #816 O.E.S. We will miss them and I know you will join me in wishing them the best of luck.

Our Family Picnic in August was one of the best I've been to. We had over 60 people in attendance plus children. So many people contributed time and effort to make this the success it was. My sincere thanks to everyone.

In the Trestleboard below you'll notice the addition of the Fellowcraft Club meetings. The intention of the meetings is to firm up our parts for the 2nd Section, 3rd Degree and to create social activities for the Lodge. Wor. Dale Lawson is chairman, any suggestions please pass on to him.

The 2nd Monroe new District Deputy R.W. Earl C. Steffen will have his apron presented to him at Logan's Party House Wednesday Sept. 30th, 1977. A supper will precede the affair. Anyone wishing to join me at this ceremony, please let me know early, especially if you intend to have supper.

Please Note: A correction to my fall Trestleboard - November 29th, an off Tuesday, we host Charlotte Lodge at Euchre.

TRESTLEBOARD

Sept. 5 - Fellowcraft Club and Officers' meeting.
Sept. 13 - Open night.
Sept. 30 - D.D. Apron Presentation, Logan's Party House. Supper 6:30 p.m. Reservation required.
Sept. 27 - Lodge open at 6:00 p.m. Dinner 6:30 p.m. 1st Degree, Sr. Warden in the East.
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W.C. HUBBARD LODGE
No. 964
1st and 3rd Fridays

I hope you all had a safe and enjoyable summer. When you read this column, summer shall have come and gone and Labor Day will be upon us. It all means that once again it is time to resume the normal operations of Warren C. Hubbard Lodge #964.

Our first lodge meeting for the fall will be Sept. 16th. At the time of this writing no dates for degrees or rehearsals have been set due to our continual shortage of candidates. GROWTH, my brothers, is the key to our survival and unless we can get new members and especially members who will be active in the lodge in the coming years, our existence will be doomed. Speaking about being doomed we have 13 members who are 1 year in arrears with their dues and 10 members who are 2 years in arrears. To you my brothers who are behind in your dues, let me remind you that everything is going up and very little if anything is going down. So it is with the operating expense involved with the day to day running of the lodge. We just paid \$2,400.00 out of treasury to the Temple Civic Center as our share of the agreement to try and salvage the temple. It looks as if this, at least for the time being has been accomplished. It will be extremely hard to replenish our treasury especially with so much needed money outstanding. Our dues have not increased and hopefully they will not. However, it is not fair and just for the majority to support those who do not give their share. If any of you brothers in arrears have a serious financial problem please get in contact with myself or Bernie Smith, Secretary. I am sure we can work out something. To the rest of you, either pay or get out, we are assessed for every member on rolls including those 1 or 2 years in arrears. If you don't want me knocking our door please come across with the money.

On Oct. 21st we will be visited by R.W. Gordon Hoag D.D.G.M. 1st Monroe. Also on Sat. Oct. 29th we will have a Ladies Night at Monroe Country Club including the presentation of 25 year certificates, a first for our lodge.

Brother Alfred Peterson passed away this summer; Wally Losinger hurt his foot; and my father was in the hospital. Fraternaly, Bob Helmes, Master

CALENDAR

Sept. 9 - Fellowcraft.
Sept. 16 - Open meeting.

SUPPORT THE BROTHERHOOD FUND CAMPAIGN

ETOLIAN LODGE
No. 479
2nd and 4th Mondays

Brethren: Summer recess has ended and as we look forward to the fall, I hope this finds you all ready to help make our Lodge as great as ever. I realize this will be the last half for me and if I have the great support I have had in the first half it will be hard to step down. Come to meetings, there is a lot of activities scheduled. Some old friends would like to renew acquaintances. There are a few changes in the Trestle-board which you should make note of and I hope you will find interesting.

TRESTLEBOARD

Sept. 12 - (1st meeting) Regular meeting.

Sept. 18 - Sunday Breakfast, 8:00 to 9:30 a.m. Bring your family or friends and enjoy a hearty Sunday breakfast with other Bros. and friends. Go to the Church of your choice, you will find it rewarding.

Sept. 26 - Enter Apprentice Degree, Bro. Alvin Ingram in the East.

Oct. 10 - Move up Night, Bro. Alvin Ingram in the East.

Oct. 15 - Canadian Visit. Wor. Bro. Wallace Lessord is planning an Octoberfest. The visiting Canadians will present their 3rd Degree. This should be a great event. Let us all get out and greet our Canadian friends which we have not seen for about 1 1/2 years.

Oct. 24 - Official visit. Note - this is a change in schedule. The Euchre Tournament scheduled for Oct. 31 will be moved to Nov. 29.

Nov. 14 - F.C. Degree, Bro. Holmes in the East.

Nov. 28 - M.M. Degree, 1st Section - 5:30; Dinner - 6:30; 2nd Section - 8:00.

Nov. 29 - Euchre Tournament.

Dec. 12 - Regular meeting, (election of Officers).

Dec. 19 - Joint Christmas party.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

It is with deep sorrow I regret to report the passing of 2 long standing Brothers. Bro. Eastman Colby and Bro. Charles A. Schnapp. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to their families.

I hope this finds Bro. John McLain in good health again after his heart attack and stay in the Park Ridge Hospital.

If you know of a Bro. in need of our aid or sympathy, please contact Wor. Bro. Clark Kunes, 351-6629, or Wor. Bro. Dale Rankin, 352-4183.

Before closing I would like to extend our Congratulations to Wor. Bro. Harold McCauley and his wife who celebrated their sixty-first Wedding Anniversary on July 14th. Mrs. Lee

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



My Brothers:

Summer is nearly over and it is time once again to return to our labors in our Lodge. I hope everyone had a pleasant summer and now are anticipating meeting with old friends.

I wish to thank the members of Ancient Craft for giving me the opportunity to serve as Grand Sword Bearer of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York. It is an honor that I shall forever cherish.

The District Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Gordon L. Hoag, will make his official visit to our lodge on October 12, 1977. Please set this date aside and come meet with us. We have some awards to present that night and the recipients would be thrilled to have the sidelines full.

It is with sadness that I announce the passing of Brothers Arsen Solickian and Earle Laing this summer. Ancient Craft held Masonic funeral services.

There will be another Apron Presentation Night for the new Grand Lodge officers. It will be held at Logan's Party House on Scottsville Road, Friday September 30th. The menu will be roast beef at \$7.75 and stuffed breast of chicken at \$7.50. For tickets see our Senior Warden Norris Curtis. Let's have a strong turnout from Ancient Craft.

If you haven't been to lodge for a while, then make strong effort to visit. If you feel that you can't work your way in, come early and we will teach you. At any rate come to lodge. You will find it worthwhile.

Fraternaly,
Lee Perkins, Master



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WAKAN LODGE
No. 1054
2nd and 4th Mondays

Brethren: Another summer season has swiftly slipped away and it is time to turn our attentions to our blue lodge once again. I sincerely hope all of our brethren enjoyed their summer sojourns, vacation or what have you. Like moving an automobile garage on a weekend.

During the summer our annual picnic and our fellowcraft steak roast were held. I would like to extend my personal thanks to Brother Jim Fischette, Brother John Rice, R.W. Robert Orne and W. John Tijou for all their help with the picnic and to Brother John Rice, Brother Norm Fedreou, W. Brother John Tijou and especially to our host W. Brother Bob Zollweg for the Steak roast.

The first meeting will be September 12 after which we will be starting a new class of candidates at our meeting on September 26 with the First Degree. Senior Warden Don Brugger will be in the East. Eugene M. Brown, Master

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

Well, our summer recess is over and here we are again starting our fall meeting. We hope that you all had a fine summer and are ready to put forth a special effort for the Fall meetings at Lodge.

A very special congratulation to John Stamp and his wife Laura - they were married in Bangkok, Thailand on September 2nd. We were invited but could not make the trip. Laura and John all the very best to you both and we look forward to greeting you both in the not too distant future when you stop off in Rochester on your way home for a vacation in England.

Bro. Les Andrews and his wife and family were over in England this summer and we understand had a fine visit with their respective families.

Bro. Charles Dimino stopped in at our garage today and we are happy to report that he is looking well and seems to be progressing well.

We also had a visit from Bro. Irv Dickinson this summer, he and his wife are living in Las Vegas but come to Rochester each summer for a visit. Nice to see you both. W. Bro. Joe Dimino and his

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wife Ramona will be well settled into their new house by now and we wish them all the best.

Bro. Fred Hild missed our Stag Steak Roast this year, but he had a good excuse, he and the family were catching the sun down at Cape Cod. Well, next year Fred.

It has been noted that the terrible trio, Messers Lawrence, Rees and Tijou have been regular in their attendance at the Rochester Lancers home games. Suffice it to say that W. Bro. Rees was quite verbal at every Lancer mistake!

R.W. Fred Nielson and Bernice have been in Europe again this year visiting Fred's family and generally having a fine time.

We'd like to know who put reducing powder on R.W. Bob Ornes big car and turned it into a Toyota. We do hear that he is very happy with the smaller version.

Bro. John Rice and Margaret and family have been in Florida as usual. We think that John is jut about a resident of two states as he manages to spend so much time down south.

Bro. Lou Roberts new truck is a beauty, we thank him for his kind loan last month of its use so that we could relocate with relative ease.

Many thanks to W. Bob Zollweg for letting us hold our Stag steak roast at his home on Honeoye Lake in August. We had a fine time. Also, we must not forget Nancy's kindness to us all.

One last note, the terrible trio went to a Lancer soccer game on a certain Friday night; W. John Rees drove and as it was beginning to rain we locked the car and ran to the stadium. On arrival John discovered that he had left his key in the car. By this time it was pouring cats and dogs, John held two umbrellas while the writer using a coat hanger managed to get the door opened. We were both drowned. To cap this we found that John had left the motor running and was almost out of gas -- the game was cancelled.

Let us have all your news for our next issue. W. A. John Tijou

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GERMANIA LODGE

No. 722
2nd and 4th Wednesdays

Brethren:

I hope you all had a nice summer and enjoyed your vacation.

But time goes by quick, and we are starting Lodge meeting again. Lets all bring a friend, and we also need a few candidates. There are still a lot of Brethren who have not seen the good work, which the 1977 line of officers are performing.

Dear Brother:

The back taxes on the Masonic Temple must be paid by December 1, 1977 in order to keep the building. It has been determined by the Temple Board that an average contribution of nine dollars (\$9.00) per member will take care of the situation. A large contribution will be welcomed. It would be a set back for free masonry if we should lose our beautiful temple for want of a modest effort on the part of the masons in this area.

Each Lodge will handle its own solicitation. Please mail your contribution to the secretary along with your dues to save postage. A small donation for our childrens Christmas Party in December can also be included at this time.

A record of your contribution will be maintained by the Lodge. Please respond promptly as your Lodge cannot absorb the cost of this assessment and remain solvent.

Attest:
Harold Weimer
Secretary

Sincerely & Fraternally
Heinz Gunkel
Master

**ANNUAL SUMMONS
GERMANIA LODGE**

Dear Sir and Brother:

You are hereby summoned to attend the annual stated Communication of Germania Lodge No. 722 F&AM, to be held on Wednesday evening, December 14, 1977 at 7:30 O'Clock for the purpose of electing officers and reading of annual report.

Attest:
Harold Weimer
Secretary

Fraternally
Heinz Gunkel
Master

OATKA LODGE

No. 759
2nd & 4th Wednesday

My Brothers:

Another summer has come and for all realistic purposes, has gone. For some of us there has been a growing concern about the condition that exists on Browns Ave. In just a few short weeks Oatka will be hosting its annual Chicken Barbecue. Between now and then a major clean up must take place inside and out. Please contact ASAP, Wor. Bro. Walt Lindemuth, or Wor. Bro. Bob Moore for instructions as to where you can help for this event.

Brothers, it becomes very difficult to maintain the greater fraternal law, that of "Brotherly Love" when many of our Brothers have not fulfilled a part of their obligation and a part of their responsibility. Presently dues are still owed for 1975, and 1976. As of this moment Oatka does not have enough money in the checking account to pay some of the overdue bills. There are some 45 members expecting the other 100 + to fulfill their obligation. This is not fair. During the next couple of weeks, ask each Bro. you see, "Have you paid?" Remember even partial payments will be accepted.

It is with great joy we can now greet Wor. B. Woger outside the hospital. After a too long hospital stay, it's good to see George back on his feet. Many don't know yet, but George & Jean have been finalizing their plans for a relocation in Florida.

As the Autumn quickly approaches so do our regular communications. Already numerous plans have been made, that will require cooperation and help. Among them: Sept. 18th - Chicken Barbecue; Oct. 1st - Ladies Night; Oct. 22nd - Smorgas-borg, host for M. & W.; Date undecided - Wine tasting party; Sept. 14th - Reg. Communication; Sept. 28th - Regular Communication.

For more detailed information on the results of the Fellowcraft "Las Vegas Nite", Pop Booth, and other activities, Sept. 7th will be the first meeting of the season. Let's all show up for some good fellowship as we prepare for a busy schedule. Fraternally yours,
W.P. Hise

ROCHESTER LODGE

No. 660
2nd Monday

Dear Brethren:

Our last winter's snow is a past memory. Our recent summer vacation and pleasure in the sun is but a dream away. At the start of our summer recess, our working tools and plans were put away with care. I hope you have all enjoyed the summer, and that you are now in tiptop shape, so we can again pick up our working tools and place our plans on the Trestleboard, which have been laid out for all of us for the fall season.

As I look over the Trestleboard, it seems to tell me that my plans are many and my time is short. It also makes me aware of the fact that a Master and his Line Officers cannot carry out the work alone. It is very important that every Brother in Rochester Lodge please read the Trestleboard and support it 100%. Previously, we had many hurdles to overcome, but they are now behind us.

I am sure, we can close the Year 1977 as a successful one for Rochester Lodge. It can only happen with every Brother's support.

TRESTLEBOARD

WE NEED CANDIDATES
Ladies Night - ?

Sept. 12 - Memorial night.
Oct. 10 - Open meeting, Sr. Warden in the East.

Nov. 14 - Move-up Night and D.D.G.M. Official Visit.

Dec. 12 - Annual meeting, Christmas lunch after meeting.

Jan. 16, 1978 - Installation of Officers for 1978.

Fraternally,
Leo F. French, Master

FROM THE SECRETARY

Rochester Lodge paid to the Temple Civic Center \$2178.00, for back taxes, this money was drawn from the Trustee's account.

Please look at your dues card and see if it is for 1977. We have some Brothers that have not paid their dues as yet. We need the money for the operating of the Lodge.

A belated greeting to the following Brothers who celebrated their birthday in August: Ernest Brundage - 8/3; W.B. Willard Garrett - 8/4; Thomas Hauss - 8/4; Leon Behnke - 8/6; Charles Short - 8/8; Russell Scott - 8/9; John Metzger - 8/11; Garnet McLean - 8/11; W.B. George Adams - 8/12; Earl Bown - 8/15; William Ford - 8/16; Loring Carson - 8/17; Frederick Gatehouse - 8/18; Nelson Orlando - 8/19; Robert Rowley - 8/19; W.B. Merritt Sweet - 8/23; Hartley Foss - 8/24; Robert Williams - 8/25; Theodore Sotir - 8/25; George Haas - 8/26; Irwin Goldfeder - 8/28; and W.B. C. Dan Jameson - 8/30. W.B. Richard Zorn, I am sorry I missed

PENFIELD UNION LODGE

No. 154
1st and 3rd Tuesdays

Brethren:

Our summer recess is over and we are beginning our fall schedule. I hope everyone had a nice summer as well as a safe one. Our fall schedule is a busy one with the following events. 1st Degree on September 20, Official Visit on October 18, 2nd Degree on November 1 and 3rd Degree on December 6. Remember, Lodge opens at 7:30 pm on Degree nights. Let's all support our officers and enjoy good fellowship by attending Lodge regularly.

Happy Birthday to all Brethren having Birthdays in September and a speedy recovery to all Brethren in sickness.

Albert Clark
Master

FROM THE RECORD

I am going to quote from the minutes of January 12, 1859. "Voted, that the Secretary communicate to members in arrears for dues to the amount of two dollars and over, the amount of their indebtedness, and urge payment". and also, "voted, that the Secretary address by letter or otherwise all those that are outside the limits of jurisdiction". Brethren, todays problem is not new, your Lodge needs your dues today just as much as they did when it cost only \$1.00 a year. Check your dues card, if it is not dated 1977 up date it, send you dues to P.O. Box 41 Penfield N.Y. 14526.
Bruce Brainerd Sec.



your date, it was a natural 7/7/77.

Congratulations to the following Brothers who celebrate their birthday in September: William Rund - 9/3; Harold Hoffman - 9/3; Frank Smith - 9/5; Wor. Master Leo French - 9/6; W.B. Edward Garrett - 9/7; Richard Ade - 9/11; R.W. Frank Fulreader - 9/14; Grayson Helbing - 9/18; Ben Walenitz - 9/20; and Ted Epping 9/30. I am missing about 30 of the Brethrens dates.

Brothers Tom Cocking and Roy Copeland spent some time in the hospital this summer. Brother Leon Behnke's father passed away in August. Brother Alberto Echevarria's step-father Bro. Joseph Schaeffer died of a heart attack. We extend our sympathy to the Brothers.

If any member of Rochester Lodge know of any information or news pertaining to our members, write or call George Adams, 131 Elmore Rd., Rochester, N.Y. 14618 - 244-3068.
George M. Adams, Secretary

NORTHFIELD LODGE

No. 426
1st & 3rd Thursdays

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I feel a small sadness. My year as Master is half gone. I don't want it to end. I sincerely love being Master of Northfield and participating in all the Masonic events with all my friends. I find it an opportunity to help others to grow in Masonry the way I have grown.

The summer is over now but we haven't wasted it. Our lodge has been very busy. In June we had the Picnic and the Golf Tournament. On July 9 we had a Garage Sale, Baked Goods Sale and Sausage Roast. And what a success it was! We raised over \$1000 to go toward the repair of our lodge hall. But that was only a part of our success. Our Northfield brethren and their wives turned out in great numbers to work and to make this even a beautiful happening. Many were there at 7 AM along with the DeMolay boys, and many worked all day long. It was a labor of love. The feeling of brotherhood while we worked together was overwhelming. We were happy. To top it off our activities were broadcast on TV newscasts at 6 PM and 11 PM that same night. Just think - Northfield on television. No other lodge can claim that distinction. We have so many brothers to thank who worked so hard - especially Bud Pierce and Earl Cooley (the Bosses), and Bob and Linda Zahn (the Cookers), and Norma Phelps (the Cookie), and so many others. How could we exist without all these wonderful people?

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept. 15 - Past Masters' Night. 25 and 50 year pins will be presented by the D.D. Past Masters will be in all the chairs with R.W. Earl Lowry in the East.

Peace, Love and Joy,
William S. Frost, Master

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Research in muscular dystrophy at the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory is carried out by Dr. Arthur Iodice and his associates. Muscular dystrophy is a disease which afflicts man and a certain breed of chickens (called dystrophic chickens) and is characterized by a wasting away of skeletal muscle tissue; it is a debilitating disease. Dr. Iodice (and others) have shown that dystrophic muscles contain an overabundance of enzymes which degrade muscle protein. Two of the four enzymes have been characterized by Dr. Iodice and a powerful inhibitor of one of these degrading enzymes has been found, one which is apparently non-toxic. This inhibitor and two others will be tested for their effect on protein degradation in dystrophic muscles of chickens and on human fibroblast cells in tissue culture.

Although research is its primary activity, the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory is also an educational institution. Since 1961 the Laboratory has provided postdoctoral training in research to 24 physicians and scientists, all of whom are in clinical practice, medical research and/or teaching in institutions here and abroad. Since 1961 the Laboratory has invited competent medical, graduate and college students to participate as Summer Research Fellows in the various on-going research programs. To date 117 students have participated in the Summer Research Fellowship program and many of these are now physicians, scientists and teachers. In addition, members of the Laboratory Staff participate in graduate and undergraduate education at Syracuse University, Utica College and the Upstate Medical Center at Syracuse and in national and international postdoctoral "refresher" courses, seminars and conferences. Staff members also serve on research allocations committees and advisory groups of federal and state governmental agencies and voluntary health agencies and on editorial boards of scientific journals.

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**SENECA LODGE
No. 920
3rd Tuesday**



**MASTER'S
MESSAGE**

Where did the summer go? Hopefully we are all ready to resume our Masonic activities with renewed vigor and dedication. We have a full Fall Program scheduled and I am anticipating our usual excellent attendance to welcome the new candidates on whom the First Degree will be conferred September 20th.

Our new District Deputy Grand Master of the 1st Monroe District, Rt. Wor. Gordon L. Hoag, will make his official visit to Seneca Lodge at our September meeting. I urge all of you to make an effort to attend this meeting of welcome him and hear his message from our Grand Master.

Although I was not able to be present, I have it on good authority that our annual Cecil Hill Golf Classic and picnic at Conesus Lake was well attended and an excellent time was had by all. There were 18 participating in the Golf Classic and congratulations are in order to Bro. Dick Down as the winner.

Just a reminder of the coming picnic at Bro. Bill Babcock's at Canadice on September 10th. This will be a new experience for most of us and one that I am looking forward to.

Again, I urge all of you to be present at our September meeting.

Fraternally,
Loren Snodgrass, Master

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**UNION STAR LODGE
No. 320
1st Wednesday**

Dear Brethren:

Vacations are all but over and our fall session is upon us. I hope everyone had a wonderful summer.

Our first meeting night is Sept. 7. This will be our short sleeves night. This is the night that all officers and members leave their jackets and ties at home. I am looking forward to seeing most of you then. If you haven't attended lodge in some time, come out and see your old friends and meet some of our new members. We have three candidates going through this fall. Please come out and support your officers, they will do a fine job for you. The dates for the three degrees are listed below.

Our official visit of our new District Deputies is October 5. Please come out and welcome them. Their pictures are in the Aug. issue of the Empire State Mason. First Monroe District is R.W. Gordon L. Hoag. Second Monroe District is R.W. Earl C. Steffen. I have tickets for the District Apron Presentation at Logans, September 30. Call me for reservations at 624-1218. Cocktails are at 6:30, dinner at 7:15. Bring your wife and enjoy a fine evening.

If anyone knows of a brother in sickness or distress please let one of your officers or myself know. This is our only way of getting this information.

We are having a golf tournament September 24 at Lima Country Club. This is open to everyone, Masons and non-Masons alike, so bring a partner or come alone. There will be prizes awarded. Tee off starting at 10:00 a.m. For more information call Ken Buckland, 624-1308 or Charley Swartz at 624-2204.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Sept. 14 - First degree.
- Sept. 24 - Golf tournament.
- October 19 - Second degree.
- Nov. 16 - Third degree.

Fraternally,
Dennison Ripley, Master

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FROM THE EAST

Brethren:

Summer is slowly fading away and I hope the past few months have been wonderful and safe for you and your family.

Fall is right around the corner and our masonic year will soon be over. It is my hope that each and every one of you will make every effort to attend your lodge, because you are much needed. We are going thru a critical time where financial and structural changes may be inevitable. When you have roughly 20 members out of 290 members attending meetings, there has to be a problem. Without your interest and support we just cannot function and the future of Corinthian Temple is in jeopardy. Many decisions have to be made in the near future. Your opinions, ideas and support will decide the future of our lodge.

Thanks again for your past support. See you all in the Fall.

Fraternally,
Wor. Walter Gay

SECRETARY'S CORNER

Now that the Summer recess is over and our masonic activities commence, let us all promise to come out to Lodge and support our officers. There are some openings in the line for those that are interested in some day becoming Master of the Lodge. Petitions are needed badly to renew our membership that has been declining each and every year. Speak to the Master if you are earnestly desirous of becoming the ruling officer of your Lodge.

September birthday congratulations go out to: Jack Arend, Howard Hawkinson, Brooks Stringer - 9/2; Earl Southworth - 9/3; Harry Ellender, Roy Koch, Ernest Larson - 9/7; Wor. Blair Cosman (Master 1973), Robert Ryan, William Zimmerli - 9/8; Kenneth Murdough - 9/9; Rea Hahn, Howard Van Thof - 9/10; Guy McCrossen Jr. - 9/13; John Pluta - 9/14; Raffi Dabanoff, Harry Swanson - 9/15; Wor. Earl Pike (Master 1952) - 9/17; Donald Minster - 9/21; Marving Carson - 9/23; Harold Borate, Julius Loos - 9/24; Everett Hand - 9/26; Wor. James Gisleson (Master 1960), and Cecil Sabin - 9/30.

Congratulations to R.W. Luther I. Webster on his recent marriage with the best wishes of the Lodge.

The Fellowcraft Clambake is scheduled for September 17, 1977 at Webster Park in the Holt Lodge. Reservations can be made by calling 342-

**GENESEE FALLS LODGE
No. 507
2nd and 4th Thursdays**

Brethren:

Summer is over and I sincerely hope all of you had a safe and enjoyable one. W. Harold Perry however didn't. Just prior to this writing I received word that Harold suffered an Auto mishap in the Syracuse area and is in an unknown hospital with a broken leg. I also understand his wife suffered injuries too. I do believe however, that as you read this Harold would be home at 282 Ridgemont Dr., Rochester, N.Y. 14626. Card would be appropriate.

As mentioned in my newsletter in July, the first meeting in September is an important one concerning Genesee Fall's consideration towards the downtown Temple. Although not a summoned meeting, your attendance is solicited.

The second meeting in September will be the official visit of R.W. Earl Steffen and his staff. I ask all of you to attend this meeting to hear the Grand Master's message, and to meet your new DDGM for the 2nd Monroe District.

The steak roast was a huge success with 68 people attending. Those who attended had a good time, good food, and good fellowship. The Jart team of Mertens and Faro are still looking for suitable competition and will be available at the clambake October 9th at Ellison, for those who feel competitive enough.

Brother Willard Bruckner is ill and at home as is Brother Walt Seils. Both of these Brothers deserve your consideration and salutations.

Masonic Funeral Services were conducted for Brother Bert Crocker in July and Brother Harry MacNeil in August. Brother Ralph Klonick also was called home in August. Sadly do we mourn the passing of these Brothers from within the Mystic Circle of our fraternity.

If anyone knows of a Brother in need of our aid or sympathy, please contact me at 266-3440 (10-6) or Secretary Tom Heller at 621-5737.

Fraternally,
John R. Faro, Master



5632. Come out and enjoy a day of fellowship with your lodge members and their wives. Starting time will be 1 p.m. till. This will be another delicious meal prepared by Bob and Dorothy Mulcock as only they know how to do. Cost will be pro-rated as usual.

Fraternally,
Bertram M. Steene,
Secretary

ZETLAND LODGE
NO. 951
 2nd & 4th
 Thursdays



ORPHEUS LODGE
No. 1082
 2nd and 4th Tuesdays

Dear Brother:
 The event of the year for Orpheus Lodge will be our 50th Anniversary Dinner to be held on Saturday evening, September 24 at the Wishing Well Restaurant, 1190 Chili Ave.

It will also be our pleasure that evening to present several members with 25 years service pins and a 50 year pin to our Master, W. Vito Cimino.

If you haven't made your reservations yet, please do so as soon as possible. We hope to make this a most gala event and hope that you, your lady and your friends may join us.

The Brotherhood Fund campaign which was just completed in great style. Orpheus Lodge contributed more money this year than we have ever done in the past and the chairman would like to express his appreciation to those who contributed.

September brings the reopening of Lodge after the summer recess. The first meeting will be Tuesday, September 13 at 8:00 p.m. It will be a regular business meeting with the emphasis of course on our 50th Anniversary Dinner.

The second meeting of the month is September 27 and is also tentatively scheduled to be a business meeting.

Remember get into the habit early, come to Lodge the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays and enjoy a few hours with your brethren.

Fraternally,
 Donald N. Johnson,
 Secretary



collar bone. He is recovering at home but still unable to work.

We hope all our Brothers who have been ill are now well again. Please contact us if you know of any brother who may be ill, shut-in or in need of our aid or sympathy. We would also like to know of other bits of information or honors bestowed upon our members.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

A committee has been appointed to look at our Lodge's financial status and dues structure as a guideline for a proposed 1978 budget. I want to express my sincere appreciation to the members of the committee who are: W. Fred Ambeau, Chairman; W. Joseph Savege; W. Ernest Wilson; and Brothers Dave Crawford and Vincent Nolan. A report and recommendations will be given on September 8, and I urge your attendance at this important meeting. If anyone needs transportation let us know. Looking forward to seeing you then.

Fraternally,
 Don Joseph, Master

CLIO LODGE
No. 779
 1st & 3rd Tuesdays

Dear Brethren:
 The summer recess is about over and the time has come when we must roll out of the hammock and start thinking about Lodge once again. I hope that all of you and your families had an enjoyable summer, and I would like to "thank" all of the Brothers who gave the Lodge a brand new paint job during the summer recess. You will spot them at Lodge, because they all have nice suntans, and excess red paint on their shoes. Also, a special thanks to Bro. Gordon McCoy for keeping the Lodge in "tip-top" shape during the off season.

The Centennial Committee has been hard at work during the summer, and the program is just about completed. The date for our 100th Anniversary Dinner Dance is October 29th, and it will be held at the Chili Country Club. Our special guest for the evening will be M.W. Albert Schneider, Grand Master. All members of Clio Lodge and special guests will be receiving an invitation with all the details in the mail very soon. Please mark this date on your calendar and plan to come out and help us celebrate this historic event.

Our first meeting of the Fall will be Past Masters' Nite on Sept. 20th. Please plan to attend this meeting, and help us pay tribute to the wonderful men who have helped guide Clio Lodge to a Century of Brotherhood. There will be a Buffet dinner at 6:30 p.m., and the cost will be \$2.75. Please call me at 392-7327 for dinner reservations.

Apron Presentation Nite will be held on September 30th at Logan's. Any member interested in going please see me at our first meeting for tickets.

"Congratulations" to the following people for different reasons: R.W. I.V. Lloyd appointed Grand Chaplain, Emeritus; Sister Kay Miller appointed Grand Chapter Assistant Marshall; Bro. Gary Thompson and his wife for a new baby boy; W. Bro. Dave Partiss for setting a new Brotherhood Fund record for Clio Lodge.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

We extend our sincere sympathy to the family of Bro. Ernest Feil who was called hom by the Supreme Architect on June 27, 1977.

Bro. Ed Linaker is now home from the hospital and feeling much better after a gall bladder operation.

W. bro. James Fallon is in good shape after having an unfortunate accident at work.

Fraternally,
 James S. Cochran, Master

Brethren:
 The summer recess is coming to an end, and we are about to resume our labors. I hope each of you had a pleasant and safe summer vacation, and are now ready to return to our fall schedule of events.

I was very pleased at the large attendance at our Fellowcraft Stag Steak Roast in June and our Lodge Family Picnic in July. I am hopeful that we will have as good a response to our Fellowcraft Family Clambake which will take place on September 10 at South Lodge, Powder Mills Park.

To those Brothers who have moved during the summer, kindly notify our Secretary, W. Joseph Savage of your new address and telephone number so that he can update our lodge roster.

TEMPLE FUND COMMITTEE

By now you have received a communication from our Temple Fund Committee asking your aid in helping our Lodge to meet its obligation for back taxes owing the City of Rochester and County of Monroe. I want to thank the members of the Committee: W. Ted Theodor, Chairman; R.W. John Braund, W. Ernest Wilson, Brothers Hazen Coulter, William Batting, Raymond Snider, Michael Lacomba and Mark Glogowski for all the work they have done and will continue to do to help us reach our goal. The pledges received to date have been encouraging, but we do need your help NOW and will look forward to receiving your contribution at your earliest convenience.

CONGRATULATIONS

W. Ernest E. Wilson has been appointed Associate Grand Sentinel Order of the Eastern Star State of New York for 1978. Good luck Right Worthy Ernest E. Wilson. He has also been elected First Vice President of the Secretary's Association of the Grottos of North America.

Brother Charles C. Wetmore, Jr. on acquiring his new business, Charlie's Restaurant in Canandaigua, N.Y.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

We mourn the passing of W. Stephen C. Pool who resided in Florida and extend our deep sympathies to his family. A memorial service will be held at Wesley United Methodist Church, Rochester, N.Y. at a time to be announced.

Bro. James W. Pentycoff was in an accident on June 30th and suffered a separated

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WEBSTER LODGE
No. 538
1st and 3rd Thursdays

Summer of '77 is history. Did you have a great summer or did it just pass by as we so frequently allow our time to do. This same thought could be applied to the fall of 77 Masonic meetings. Let us not let the fall pass by into history without being part of it. You could start off the right way by attending the first meeting Sept. 15th, which will be a combination "Official Visit" by our new D.D.G.M. R.W. Gordon Hoag, and an "Old Timers" night. R.W. Hoag will present the Grand Masters Message to kick off our new year. The "Old Timers" portion will start with dinner at 6:30 put on by our Jr. Warden and followed by the presentation of a sixty year pin and two fifty year pins. I would like to extend an invitation to all of the veteran members to not only come, but be prepared to contribute to the conversation about the good old days. Who knows maybe some of the high points of the good old days could be incorporated into next year's program and it would make our lodge that much better.

Our second meeting will be a 1st degree with our Jr. Warden in the East on October 6th.

Activities during the summer did not completely stop on the building, but meetings were hard to schedule because of vacations. However, the chairman of our two major committees have been appointed. Chairman of the building fund raising committee is B. Horace Denton. This committee has met and has the general campaign organized and ready to implement. We will be asking many members to make house calls on each and every local member to solicit their help. The other major chairman that was appointed was Thomas Pellett Jr. who will be general chairman of the building committee. As most of you know Tom was the one who donated his time to draw up the plans for our building. He is also the one who will draw all of the final plans for the building. This is a very valuable contribution on Tom's part and we all should express our appreciation to Tom for this generous contribution. It is action such as this that will keep the cost of our new building to the bare minimum.

Speaking of generous contributions - Williams Fuchs has agreed to donate the land for the new building. The land is on Orchard Street and is an excellent location for the new lodge. It is not only centrally located, very convenient to villagers as well as near to the new expressway, but it is also zoned commercial. Here again is another outstanding

FRANK L. SIMES LODGE
No. 990
2nd Tuesday

The summer is coming to a close and your lodge is recovering from its dormancy. Although July was a quiet period for the lodge, August was not without its activities. I was honored by an invitation to the Past Master's Picnic at Len Anderson's house. It is wonderful that our Lodge has such a fine energetic group of Past Masters.

Our first meeting will be on September 13th, and we hope that you will help us finish up the summer's business. That is also the time to present the petition of your friend who has wanted to join us in our many endeavors.

Our Fellowcraft Club had a couples picnic in June that was enjoyed by all who attended, although I was chastised for forgetting the meat, when placed in my care. While my wife was being watched over and cared for, I had to return home to recover the hamburgers.

We also had a family picnic on a June day that was so windy that a well tossed frisbee would be returned to the sender. Your Junior Warden went all out and the membership was well rewarded with a fine time.

Remember, your Lodge is only as good as the effort that you put into it. Anything that you feel should be done, or not done, should be communicated to one of the officers. If you would like to see any event begun or repeated next year, your Senior Warden, Glenn Stahl, would be glad to hear from you.
Fraternally,
Robert L. Anderson II,
Master
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valuable contribution by a great guy. As some of you know Willie suffered a heart attack early in the summer. I am happy to report he is coming along great, but he needs our support. Why not take a few minutes and stop by his place and say hello. He certainly has done enough for our lodge.

Our sister lodge from Hamilton will be making their semi-annual visit on Oct. 1st. They will be arriving about 11:30 to have lunch with us and then the remainder of the day will be filled with all kinds of activities including a supper put on by our own Eastern Star Chapter. Plan to attend this all day affair.
Robert Wyble, Master

TRESTLEBOARD
Sept. 15 - Official visit dinner meeting.
Oct. 1 - Canadian visit.

CHARLOTTE LODGE
No. 1088
1st and 3rd Tuesdays

Dear Brethren:
Our Fall season is upon us, and I trust that we have all had a safe and enjoyable summer. We have a full class this Fall, and also many activities scheduled for the remaining of 1977. I am hoping to greet many of the Brothers at the Lodge at our next communications. The support of all the Officers and Brethren has been super this past year, and also our attendance has been greatly improved. The lodge picnic held at Braddock's Bay Park on Aug. 7 was well attended and a good time was had by all. Many thanks to Bro. Rick Bedoar, Bro. Stan Nesbitt and all of the Brothers and their Ladies for their help and also to the Chef, Sr. Warden, Bob Forest, for a job well done. On Sept. 20, our Jr. Warden, Duane Manchester, will be in the East for the 1st Degree, 3rd class. Come on out and give him your support.

A review of the Dues record shows that a goodly number of our brethren have not paid 1976 or 1977 dues. Surely you have had enough reminders, so, won't you please take care of this matter soon?

Mail your check or money order to: Charlotte Lodge #1088 F. & A.M., 4550 Lake Ave. P.O. Box 4750, Rochester, N.Y. 14612.

Looking forward to seeing you in Lodge.

Robert B. Straton, Jr. Master
CALLED HOME BY THE SUPREME ARCHITECT
Rt. Wor. Everett Van Putte, on June 22, 1977. Raised April 17, 1951 - Master in 1961. District Deputy Grand Master in 1962, Past Sec. & Asst. to Sec. of Charlotte Lodge. Masonic Service was held on June 24 at Arndt Funeral Home.

Bro. James C. Schaffer, on July 8, 1977. Raised April 7, 1936.

Bro. John E. Goss, on July 11, 1977. Affil. Dec. 3, 1946. Masonic service was held on Aug. 4 at Lakeside Presbyterian Church.

The sympathy of the Lodge was extended to their families.

FROM THE SOUTH
I hope all of you enjoyed the summer, as I did. (Except it was toooooo short!!!!)

TRESTLEBOARD
Sept. 6 - Open (Sport Shirt Night).
Sept. 13 - Fellowcraft meeting.
Sept. 20 - 1st Degree, 3rd class. I, Bro. Manchester, in the East.
Sept. 27 - Officers' Meeting at Charlotte.

P.S. I would like to see a large turnout this fall to put your 2¢ worth in about what's happening.
Jr. Warden,
Duane Manchester

FLOWER CITY LODGE
No. 910
2nd Tuesday

Because of the religious Holidays, there will be no Lodge activities during the month of September.

FAMILY PICNIC

The Annual Family Picnic was held in July at Seneca Park, and we had unusual cooperation from the weatherman. Unfortunately, the attendance was not all it might have been, but as usual, a good time was had by all who were present. Thanks to Junior Warden Harvey Nusbaum and his trusty crew for a job well done.

DR. NATHAN SCHWARTZ ESSAY CONTEST

We announce the inauguration of an Essay Contest for children grades 5 through 12, thanks to the generosity of one of our esteemed Past Masters, Wor. and Dr. Nathan Schwartz. Full details are contained in a letter mailed to all members, and you are reminded that the closing date is October 31st.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

We mourn the passing of Bro. Abe Milstein, and convey our deep sympathy to his wife and family.

We extend our sincere sympathy to Bro. David Berger on the death of his father in California.

We also note with sorrow the passing of four of our long-time members, Bro. Dave Sherman, Bro. Jack Cohen, Bro. Arthur Prenner, and Bro. Henry Neivert (the father of Bro. Philip Neivert). To their respective families go our deepest sympathies. Wm. R. Dunsky, - Hospitaler

CONGRATULATIONS

To Wor. and Mrs. Leonard Wolk on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Daniel Mark, who is also the Grandson of Wor. and Mrs. George Joel.

Wor. and Mrs. Jack Reikopp, whose daughter, Hyla, has graduated from Tel Aviv University, and whose son, Edward has graduated from U.C.L.A. Law School.

Bro. and Mrs. Samuel Rosenbaum, on the marriage of their son David to Gail Fruhling.

Bro. and Mrs. Hy Margolis on the birth of a grandson.

Bro. and Mrs. Simon Caplan on the Bas Mitzvah of their granddaughter, Renee. Michelle Caplan.

Bro. and Mrs. Irving Gordon on the graduation of their son, Kenneth, from Clark University.

Wor. and Mrs. Manny Lazerson on the marriage of

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HENRIETTA LODGE No. 526
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2nd and 4th Tuesdays

Brethren:

By now all of the members of Henrietta Lodge have received their summons letter for our first meeting of the fall season, Sept. 13, 1977.

I am urging each and every one of you to attend and hear the proposals to be made. We want to hear your comments and recommendations. Remember, this meeting will affect each and every brother so come out, be informed and don't say "I didn't know what was going on."

Our degree schedule as set forth in our last letter has been changed, due to the lack of candidates. As soon as petitions are received they will be acted upon and degree schedule set up.

I would like to see a good turnout of the brothers on September 27 for the Official Visit of our new District Deputy Grand Master R.W. Earl C. Steffen. This is a good time to meet our District Deputy and hear his message from the Grand Master.

On October 30th there will be an annual Apron Presentation at Logan's Party House on Scottsville Road. A good turnout is expected from our Lodge to honor our immediate past Master R.W. Melvin Simmons who has been appointed Grand Director of Ceremonies. Tickets are available at the lodge for all interested brothers.

W. Bro. Jim Doig has been in and out of the hospital and would be glad to welcome friends and visitors at his home.

Rosemary Reitz, wife of our organist W. Marty Reitz has been in the hospital for surgery and is recovering at home. Our prayers for a speedy recovery go out to these and the unknown sick.

TRESTLEBOARD

Sept. 6 - Fellowcraft and Trustees meeting.

Sept. 13 - Summons meeting.

Sept. 27 - Official visit.

Sept. 30 - Apron presentation.

Lawrence Millerd, Master



their daughter, and best wishes to the grandparents, Bro. and Mrs. Hy Mandell.

Bro. and Mrs. Sam Katz on the marriage of their daughter, Gail T. Robert Mount.

The Worshipful Master, W. Erwin Newell, takes this opportunity to wish all members a Happy and Peaceful New Year.

See you all in October. Maurice Solomon, Past Master

EAST ROCHESTER LODGE
No. 1020
2nd & 4th Tuesday

Brethren:

I hope your summer was as enjoyable as mine. The picnic was a great success and fun was had by all. Now as Fall approaches it is time we should get back to the Lodge business at hand.

In the June issue of the Masonic News our own Gordon Hoag was announced as Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master, for the first Monroe District. On behalf of the Lodge I would like to congratulate Gordon on his appointment and wish him success in his office this year. We, the brothers of East Rochester Lodge can be proud to say that R.W. Gordon Hoag is a brother of our Lodge.

Our first meeting of the fall in Sept. 27, which is also our Official Visit. I hope you'll save the date and meet us in Lodge at 8:00 P.M.

On Friday, Sept. 30, there will be a public apron presentation for this year's Grand Lodge officers. It will be a dinner at Logan's and contact me for your tickets. Brethren, let's go to this dinner and show the Monroe County Lodges that we, from East Rochester Lodge are proud of our D.D.G.M.

The Eastern Star have been putting on the Rotary Dinners through the summer months and now it's our responsibility to take over. For the balance of this year we will take the dinner chairmen for the list of officers. The following are the Sept. chairmen: Sept. 1 - J. Weekes, Sept. 8 - D. Williams, Sept. 15 - A. Arthur, Sept. 22 - M. Rogers, Sept. 29 - P. Lane.

I have heard that the Rotary Club has enjoyed Jane Roger's cooking this summer and I am happy to say that Jane is going to continue through this year as cook for the Masons.

See you in Lodge. Fraternally, John E. Weekes, Master

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R.W. Earl C. Steffen with friends at Utica. Left to right: S. Daugherty, N. Vail, J. Lenzi, H. Phillips, G. Simon, E. Steffen, D.D.G.M., B. Widger, Past Jr. Grand Warden, and R.W. E. Vail.

CHURCHVILLE LODGE
No. 667
2nd and 4th Wednesdays

Brethren:

I hope you all enjoyed your summer and are ready to begin the Fall season with renewed vigor. R.W. Earl says we'll need it to keep up with him. As you know R.W. Earl Steffen is the D.D.G.M. for the 2nd Monroe District.

The Lodge will make the initial apron presentation to our new D.D.G.M. on September 14, our first Fall meeting. There will be a Roast Beef dinner served by the Star at 6:30 p.m., to precede the meeting. Because of the expected attendance, reservations are a must! Let's all turn out so the visitors don't outnumber us.

After our Lodge went dark for the summer, some of us attended the dinner for the retiring D.D.G.M.'s at the Party House on June 1st. At this get together we set up rides to Utica on June 18th to see the installation of the new D.D.G.M.s, including our own R.W. Earl Steffen. Those attending were Norm Morgan, Bill Baxter, Chuck Markham, John Lenzi, George Simon, Harold Phillips, Everett Vail, Norman Vail, Sim Daugherty and Rod Meier. Some of us stopped at Trinkhaus Manor for dinner on the way home, and that is a story in itself, if you can get Brother George to relate it.

Worshipful Master John Briskie has decreed that our second meeting on September 28th shall be move-up night, so all concerned officers, take heed. Our entertainment after the meeting will be a short slide presentation which will include slides taken at the installation in Utica on June 18th.

Rod Meier, Jr. Warden

YONNONDIO LODGE
No. 163
1st and 3rd Tuesdays

Brethren:

I hope you and your family are enjoying this beautiful summer weather. Our first meeting has been canceled because of the Labor Day weekend. The first event for the season will be a family picnic. This year's picnic will be at Salem Park on Scottsville Road next to Olympic Park, on Sept. 17 at 2:00 p.m. Hot Dogs and Beverages will be provided. Please bring your own table settings and a dish to pass. There will be games and prizes for all. All interested in attending please call Frank Kelsey at 244-2037, Don Hage at 271-4441 or Larry Wiler at 225-3034 by Sept. 10.

Our first meeting in Sept. will be on Sept. 20 which will also be a first degree under the guidance of our Senior Warden Frank Kelsey, and by the way its a pelasure to watch his degree work. Another date to remember is November 12. This will be our annual Ladies Night. This year it will be at the Party House on Beahan Rd. Tickets will be available at our Sept. meeting.

Fraternally, Laurence W. Wiler, Master

TRESTLEBOARD
Sept. 17 - Family picnic.
Sept. 20 - 1st Degree.

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OLD FASHIONED LODGE FEAST
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Masonic writers see a close link between the old-fashioned Lodge Feast and Lodge interest and attendance. They point out that when the feast was most popular little or nothing was heard about poor Lodge attendance but when the popularity of the feast began to wane attendance began to drop.

One writer is very positive in his belief. "What business has any Lodge to be nothing but a machine for grinding out the work? It was not called into existence in order to have the minutes read! Even a mystic tie will snap under the strain of cheerlessness, repetition, monotony, dullness. A Lodge needs a fire lighted in it, and the only way to have that warmth is to restore the Lodge feast, because when it is restored good fellowship and brotherly love will follow, and where good fellowship is, members will fill up an empty room not only with themselves but also with their guests."

Dwight L. Smith in his "Goodly Heritage" believes that Masonic feasts or festivals established closer Masonic ties.

"Perhaps the faithful and unquestioned observance of the traditional Masonic festivals had something to do with establishing a close Masonic tie. It is evident that in the early days to be a Mason meant something — it meant certain obligations to be discharged regardless of inconvenience.

"The early festivals followed a pattern. The Brethren would assemble at the Lodge Hall, form a procession, march to a church of sufficient size to accommodate them — listen to a Masonic sermon, then march in procession to a nearby inn for dinner."

Again he says: "In the hey-day, the summer festivals of St. John were notably successful. Unquestionably they played a significant part in establishing a favorable reputation for the fraternity."

Mention of Masonic feasts is found throughout the early history of the fraternity. The Regius Poem, written about 1390 and known to have been copied from an earlier work, tells of an annual feast: "Their feast will be without doubt after Halloween the eighth day." Nearly 10 chapters of the poem are made up of ordinances composed especially for Masonic assemblies.

A good picture of the early feasts themselves and their purpose is gained from various writers. Coil says:

"Stated annual and quarterly communications were provided for, the latter consisting of the grand officers and Masters and Wardens of the Lodges and the Annual Assembly and Feast being attended by all Masons, though those not members of the Grand Lodge had no voice or vote in the proceedings except by special permission.

"The Grand Lodge of England has always paid great attention to feasts, festivals and celebrations of all kinds. The annual communication of the Premier Grand Lodge was called the Assembly and Feast. Not only was no

routine business to be conducted, but in order to prevent any undue excitement, it was provided that the Grand Master should be elected at the preceding quarterly communication in April. The Grand Lodge of England observes St. George's Day, Apr. 23. The Grand Lodge of Scotland, St. Andrew's Day, Nov. 30."

McCOY: At regular and appropriate seasons, convivial meetings of the craft are held for the purpose of social intercourse. Temperance, harmony and joy should always characterize these assemblies. On the continent and in the United States, an annual feast is held on the anniversary of St. John the Baptist, June 24. That every one may strive to give mirth and happiness to his brother, the Grand Lodge of England, at the quarterly meeting on the festival of St. John the Evangelist, in 1720, adopted the following regulation: "That, in the future, the new Grand Master should be named and proposed to the Grand Lodge sometime before the feast; and if approved, and present, he shall be saluted as Grand Master Elect."

COIL: "But the brethren did not content themselves with feasting and drinking twice a year. They indulged at virtually every meeting and with added gusto if a candidate were present to defray the expenses."

COIL: "Banquets and dinners have been Masonic institutions from early times and are referred to repeatedly. Ashmole tells us in his diary of attending a Lodge in London in 1682, after which the brethren dined at the expense of the newly made Masons. The celebrations of



Fidelity Triangle Beloved Queen Diane Reitz and new member Susan Harrington.

the St. John's Day soon became feasts and the principal meeting of the premier Grand Lodge in each of the years from 1717 to 1721 was called the Assembly and Feast. In modern times banquets or dinners almost always accompany important meetings of Masonic bodies."

In his diary, Ashmole, in March 1682, tells of attending a dinner at one of the London lodges. "We dined at the Half Moon tavern on Cheapside at a noble dinner prepared at the charge of the newly accepted Masons."

McCOY: "The convocation of the craft together at an annual feast, for the laudable purpose of promoting social feelings, and cementing the bonds of brotherly love by the exchange of courtesies, is a time honored custom. The Assembly and Feast are words constantly conjoined in the Book of Constitutions. At this meeting no business of any kind, except the installation of officers, was transacted, and the day was passed in innocent festivity."

Over the years the form and pattern of the assemblies have changed. Dictionary definitions point this out. Webster gives his understanding of the terms. Feast: "A religious festival of rejoicing; solemn though more commonly a joyous anniversary." Banquet: "Sumptuous entertainment."

The terms feast and banquet are many times used interchangeably in older writings.

We have several terms today which could have and probably did break away from the original terms. All are acquainted with them: feast, banquet, dinner, lunch, brunch, coffee break, table lodge.

FIDELITY TRIANGLE

May 11 - Fidelity presented the "Lord's Prayer" degree for Henrietta Chapter O.E.S.

May 14 - Regular meeting, Formal, Sideliners night. Some of the sideliners filled some of the officers stations with some amusing results.

May 22 - Obligation Sunday at Rush United Methodist Church.

May 25 - Fidelity presented a Memorial Day Degree for Culver Chapter O.E.S.

May 26-27-28 - Fidelity participated in the Giant Charity Bazaar held at the Greece Town Mall and sold home made articles made by the girls & parents. The profit will be used in our regular charity program.

May 28 - Regular meeting, formal. The Altar was draped in black and a special ceremony was held in memory of our Beloved State Director Emeritus, Past Grand Matron, Most Worthy Rose E. Scherer.

June 4 - A car wash was held at the Mobil Station at Denise & Latta Road, followed by a picnic lunch & swim party at the home of Carol Mewhirter.

June 11 - Regular meeting, social hour & refreshments.

June 25 - Formal meeting, initiation, social hour & strawberry shortcake.

July 9 - Wendy Rhodes & Michael DuBois, were married in a lovely ceremony at Trinity Episcopal Church, followed by a reception & dinner. Best wishes to Wendy & Mike.

July 13 - Many thanks to Mr. & Mrs. Struck for holding a paper party and picnic lunch at your home.

July 17 - About 40 attended the Triangle picnic at Ellison Park.

Aug. 6 - The lovely wedding of Past Beloved Queen Joyce Struck & Robert Gutzmer at Salem United Church of Christ was followed by a reception & dinner. We wish Joyce & Bob much happiness.

TERM PLANS

Sept. 10 - Regular meeting, friendship night & penny carnival.

Sept. 24 - Our semi-annual Queens Term Dinner for \$1.25 at 6:00 P.M. followed by an open meeting at 7:30 p.m.

NOLA CHAPTER
NO. 368

Order of the Eastern Star

Dear Members:

The summer has passed all too quickly but I hope all enjoyed every minute of it. Our Chapter had a very good summer without any reports of sadness or illness.

We have been invited to Terian Chapter in Buffalo Sept. 8th. I hope a good group can go as this will be a nice evening and our own W.S. Carol Wynings home chapter.

Our rummage sale will be Sept. 9th and 10th at the Methodist Church basement. I hope you all have something for our sale.

The Chapter will put on a dinner in Sept. for the Masons. Churchville Lodge will honor their new Grand Officer R.W. Brother Carl Steffen. You will hear more about this and I hope many of you will help out at this dinner.

Sept. 20th will be our first meeting and Assoc. Matron's night.

Our Birthday dinner will be the night of our Oct. 4th meeting.

I will be looking forward to seeing you all soon.
Fraternally,
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WEBSTER CHAPTER
No. 296
Royal Arch Masons

Greetings Companions:

Where o where has the summer gone? Hope this message finds all in good health and that you had an enjoyable summer.

We are all glad to hear that William E. Fuchs is in good shape following his stay in the hospital. Willy, Webster Royal Arch wouldn't be the same without you.

All of us will be able to hear the latest news from "Hong-Cong" at the next meeting. Companion Howard Hornick will fill us in on all the details.

How many companions consciously use the Trowel of Brotherly Love to spread the cement to the deeds of Masons? Let us, individually and collectively, resolve to become better men and better masons, and by our deeds, thoughts and actions, add glory to our order. All Webster Chapter members will have several chances to do this, this fall.

First, on the 8th of October, each of you is asked to attend the "Scholarship and Cooperation Rededication Night Dinner Dance" in Ballroom A & B at Cathedral Hall. Bring a non-Masonic friend with you.

Next, October 29th is the date for the Fall Festival at Cathedral Hall. Webster Chapter has been chosen to lead off the impression of Royal Arch upon an estimated 100 candidates, by exemplifying the Mark Master Degree. By impression, I mean we, Webster Chapter, will set the mood for the festival. It is hoped that all companions who took part in the degree this spring, will again do the same party, but with a little more expertise.

Grand King Calvin Bond will make his visit to Rochester on September 22nd. This will be a regular Thursday meeting of Hamilton Chapter with a dinner preceding the evening events.

I must take this time and chance, to thank the "Genesee Valley Chapter of DeMolay" for the lessons in the finer arts of playing softball. Congratulations guys, but the next time things will be a little different.

Now, Webster Chapter is going to have to do its part with the "Building Fund Raising projects", if we expect to be a part of the Webster Masonic Community. This means that each of us, active and inactive, are going to be called upon to help in some way. One project, is to take our turn with the "Fish Frys" at the Temple.

Our first meeting for the second half of the year will be the 13th of September. Let's all get out and start the season off right, especially you companions that will be departing shortly for the

HAMILTON CHAPTER NO. 62
ROYAL ARCH
MASONS



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Champions:

I hope and trust you enjoyed the summer weather and a vacation with your family. I also hope your anxious to get back with your companions for an evening of fellowship. I'm sure your going to enjoy out fall program. It'll be very busy and a lot of fun.

First of all, on September 8th we're having a Tureen dinner followed by entertainment for the whole family and friends. This will be a meeting for meeting, greeting and welcoming, a fun time for everyone.

On September 22nd, the Grand King, R.E. Calvin Bond will be with us for dinner at 6:30 P.M. and at our meeting following. The whole 27th Dist. is invited to the dinner and meeting to hear him. Dinner reservations are a must.

Normally, I wouldn't mention October's functions in the September issue but if you think Septembers meetings are great, let me tell you about October's. To start with, our Ladies Night is October 8th at the Temple for the whole district and friends. Everybody's been looking forward to this all year. Please get your reservations in early to your chapter on how many we can expect. More information about this in October issue. Hall Miller is Chairman of this event and he's planning on the largest crowd we've ever had.

Also reservations for our trip to Toronto to visit Beaver Chapter, October 15th, should be placed about the end of September or around the first of October. Everyone who is going and we expect a large crowd as usual should plan for this and let us know how many to make hotel reservations for, of course wives are included with a program planned for them also during the day. I guarantee you all an excellent time as they treat us great. Our capable Companion, Les Brown is in charge of this function but any officer can take reservations for you, so don't wait.

On October 13th will be regular meeting and we'll use this for Ballotting. Let's keep the secretary busy that night with petitions. You all summoned to be in chapter on



Southland.
See you in Chapter,
James O. Hughes, Jr.,
High Priest

York Rite News

October 13th for the purpose of voting on a change in the Bi-Laws.

As you know, October 29th, is our Festival for the entire district.

We have a responsibility to our brethren in our symbolic lodges to allow them to join us and complete their work. We also have a responsibility that the candidates receive only the very best impression of their chapter and the ritual work. We should conferr the degrees in an accurate and impressive manor, with precision, dignity, and decorum.

Each degree teaches vital lessons in masonry, therefore, our ritual should not only be accurately rendered but what is equally important, with earnestness and understanding. A Lodge that exemplifies the degree's with as much perfection as humanly possible, that displays a realization of it's obligation to the candidates who knocks at the door, that he may observe the niceties of etiquette, and refinement is a lodge that has real Masonic Pride.

Lets be enthusiastic and thrasmit enthusiasm to our brothers in our symoblic lodges as well as in our Chapters. Lets not show a degeated attitude, think and talk positively about freemasonry. Talk about the good things of the craft, not the difficulties we may encounter. Build a constructive frame of mind.

Know your masonry, you can't "sell" to others anything you don't know yourself. Stimulate your brothers to be lifted above the average with a broader outlook of the craft.

Dinner reservations will be a must for October 29th Festival. More about this in the October issue of your Monroe Masonic News.

I'm looking forward to seeing you September 8th and greeting you, so lets all come out and enjoy ourselves with our families.

Fraternally,
Mel Simmons, H.P.

CYRENE
COMMANDERY
No. 39
KNIGHTS
TEMPLAR



The commander and his wife would like to thank everyone for their support and attendance at the June Picnic. The food was excellent and everyone had a good time. The evening ended with a movie of "The Tall Ships."

A Lasagne supper at 6:30 p.m. will start the evening of the Sept. 9th meeting. With Sept. 23rd being a regular meeting, the October 14th and 28th meetings are set aside as the rehearsal for the Order of Red Cross. These are the only meetings scheduled for rehearsal so your attendance is needed.

On November 11th the Grand Commander will visit Zone 11 and it just happens to be Cyrene's regular meeting nite. I hope all Sir Knights will reserve the evening to be with us to meet the Grand Commander.

Saturday November 19th is the date for the festival this year with Cyrene Commandery conferring the Order of the Red Cross. It is my hope that we will have more candidates for the fall. If we all work hard we can make this a large class so bring in the petitions.

Ernest Stelianou,
Commander

TALL CEDARS OF LEBANON



ROCHESTER FOREST 133

Brethren:

It is not a nice thought, but the summer is coming to an end and we still have two events coming up where we will be able to take advantage of the last of the good weather.

Our first meeting will be a

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IONIC CHAPTER
No. 210
Royal Arch Masons
2nd and 4th Tuesdays

Dear Companions:

I know when I start to write this that the summer is drawing to a close. I hope it has been as pleasurable and eventful for you as it has for me. Unfortunately with the close of summer comes the start of work.

We will have a regular meeting September 12, 8 p.m. In keeping with my philosophy of short meetings - it will be that. The recent tax settlement will be presented, and how much it costs us. We will also discuss how to best offset it.

The picnic committee should be able to give us some information on what they've planned for an early fall get-together.

Don't forget we have a degree coming up. I'm looking forward to seeing you all again.

Sincerely,
George Lynch, High Priest



Sausage Roast at Tripp's Acres on September 22, starting at 6:00 p.m. This stag party has always been a lot of fun, so let's have a good turn out.

The 15th of October will be our Steak Roast at Ellison Park where the ladies will be entertained by their Cedar husbands or escorts.

Norm Fedrau our very efficient Treasurer will be taking reservations for both of these events. You can reach him at 359-1255. See you all at Tripp's Acres.
Grand Tall Cedar,
Fred Kittelberger

CEDARETTES

I hope all of you had a very nice summer. The weather was beautiful.

Our next meeting will be the Bar-b-que on Sunday, September 18th in South Cabin at Ellison Park. Husbnds or escorts are included. You will be receiving calls and more information on this soon.
Cedarettely yours,
Ruth Meyer

THE LION'S PAW

It is well for us to understand one of the world's most ancient symbols of initiation. It is said that in ancient times the candidate on his way through the mysteries of the stately temples of Egypt was buried in a great stone sarcophagus for the dead.

In fact, this sarcophagus still stands today. Later, he was raised to life again by the Master Initiate in his robes of blue and gold. When the candidate was raised, the Grand Master wore upon his arm and hand, like a glove, the paw of a lion, and it was said of the initiate that he was raised by the "strong grip of the Lion's paw."

DAMASCUS NEWS

WITHIN THE BLUE LODGES

DAMASCUS GREATER MASONIC COOPERATION COMMITTEE

Hal Miller, Chairman

To start in the Fall season I would first like to thank all the Brothers who served on Committees, and who did such a terrific job in making our Masonic Night at Silver Stadium successful. Also, I would like to thank all the Brothers who attended the game, and paraded with us on the field. It really showed Masonry at its best.

This fall for any Brother who would like to further their Masonic Light, both the York and Scottish Rites will be putting on Degrees. The York Rite will have a two day Festival at the Masonic Temple which will cover all the Chapter and Commandery Degrees and orders. On Saturday, October 29th, 12:00 a Royal Arch Festival will be held, and on Saturday November 19th at 12:00 a Commandery Festival will be held. The Scottish Rite will be holding Degrees on the following dates: 4th and 14th Degree - October 20th, Thursday; 15th Degree - November 3rd, Thursday; 17th and 18th Degree - November 17th, Thursday; 20th Degree - November 18th, Friday; and the 32nd Degree - December 1st, Thursday. For Petitions for either Rite see your Representative from the Greater Masonic Cooperation Committee, or call me, Hal Miller - 334-2225, and I will be glad to supply same.

This Fall the Shrine will be holding an Ox Roast on Sept. 24th, and a Monte Carlo Night on Nov. 12th. Both of these affairs will be open to all Brothers to attend. They will be great parties, and you will have a terrific time if you can attend. Call the Shrine office for particulars. Also a "Masonic Rededication and Charity Ball" will be held on October 8th, Saturday at the

Masonic Temple. For only \$9.50 per person you will get the following: a very inspiring Masonic Rededication Service at 4:30 for all Masons, wives and non-Masons will be entertained by an Organ Recital. At 5:45 a Get Acquainted Social Hour; at 6:45 a delicious Prime Rib dinner and Outstanding speaker, followed by a Dance and Refreshments. An 18-piece Big Band that plays just outstanding music, (Ala Glen Miller, Tommy Dorsey, (Benny Goodman) will be entertaining us. Bring a friend or neighbor which you would like to see a Mason. This party could go far in getting him interested. For tickets, see your Lodge Secretary, you Committee Representative, or call me, Hal Miller - 334-2225. This affair will be sponsored by the Council Officers Association Royal Arch Masons, and a contribution to a Masonic Charity will be given.

May I urge every Brother to get involved with his Lodge, attend affairs and consider getting more Masonic Light, by entering either the York or Scottish Rites. I feel confident that when you do this, you will be having so much pleasure and inspiration that your thoughts will be to go one step further, and join our Beloved Shrine where we not only do great work in Children's Crippled Hospitals and Burn Institutes, but also have a heck of a lot of fun. Try it - you will like it.

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MEETS EVERY MONDAY ROCHESTER CLUB - 12 NOON

Welcome back to Rochester, Nobles - especially you business men in the inner city. Let's make it a habit to have a leisurely lunch at the Rochester Club every Monday. The programs are well planned and interesting - a welcomed relief from business for one and a half hours. You can be back in your office shortly after one-

thirty. The program for September chaired by Clark Hastings is as follows:
9-12 - Dave Ocorr - Athletic Director of the U. of R., Football Coach of the U. of R.
9-19 - Fred Belluscio - Is there an energy shortage?
9-26 - Jack Potter
Interesting talk on U.D.C. Henry Kittredge, Jr. President

A MASON'S TOOLS

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BROTHERHOOD FUND

The Brotherhood Fund drive of 1976-1977 is history. The first Monroe District came through with flying colors. The number of contributions was increased over the previous year despite a drop in membership. The amount contributed also increased. I wish to thank all the brethren who made this campaign a success, and particularly those Brotherhood chairmen who worked long and hard to put their Lodges over the top.

The Plaque which is awarded for the greatest increase in individual contributions was won by East Rochester #1020, with an increase of 31.8%, and a total participation of 82.1%. With that kind of action it is hardly a surprise that the TOP BUCK award for the largest dollar amount per member of the Lodge is also East Rochester #1020 with a \$6.34 per member. Congratulations East Rochester, W.M. John Weeks and Brotherhood chairman Alex Arthur.

Bruce Brainerd, District Chairman 1st Monroe

SECOND MONROE DISTRICT

Lodge	No. of Contribs.	Amount
Union Star	66	\$ 569.25
Northfield	116	1179.00
Genesee Falls	35	944.96
Henrietta	69	582.80
Rochester	28	531.00
Churchville	88	357.75
Germania	69	682.00
Oatka	23	201.00
Frank R. Lawrence	51	753.00
Corinthian Temple	99	975.16
Fame	103	844.00
Zetland	83	1135.13
Craftsman	114	1188.57
John A. Robertson	104	960.00
Wakan	80	3380.00
Charlotte	183	2093.00
Fidelity Triangle	2	200.00
1977 Masters	1	14.00
TOTAL	1315	\$16615.62

FIRST MONROE DISTRICT

Lodge	No. of Contribs.	Amount
Valley	260	\$ 1807.00
Penfield Union	65	708.75
Yonnonadio	85	843.90
Monroe	35	281.50
Fairport	52	424.00
Etolian	186	1519.25
Webster	161	2308.14
Clio	177	1585.50
Flower City	245	2138.45
Seneca	128	1652.50
Ancient Craft	30	510.00
Warren C. Hubbard	95	772.50
F.L. Simes	78	819.90
East Rochester	129	996.50
Orpheus	20	289.00
Fidelity Triangle	2	200.00
Masters and Wardens	1	14.00
TOTAL	1451	\$14513.47

I want to thank each and every one of the Lodge Chairmen for their wonderful support during the 1976-1977 drive and announce here that UNION STAR #320 has earned the plaque for % improvement with a 20.8% and WAKAN #1054 for again winning the honor of the highest per capita donation of \$14.38 per member. Seven certificates will be issued to those Lodge Chairmen who increased their contribution total over the last drive and they are from UNION STAR #320, HENRIETTA #526, GERMANIA #722, FRANK R. LAWRENCE #797, CORINTHIAN TEMPLE #805, ZETLAND #951 and JOHN A. ROBERTSON #1032.

R.W. Bertram M. Steene, District Chairman

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