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## JOINT INVESTITURE TO BE DEC. 29

The Joint Investiture Service, for all 1981 Masters on lodges, will be held on Monday, December 29, 1980, in Gothic Hall on the 5th floor of the Rochester Masonic Temple. Beginning promptly at 7:30 p.m., this beautiful and significant service will be under the direction of R.W. Robert P. Zabel, who will act as Investing Officer. Attendance at this ceremony, at which the Masters-elect for 1981 will be invested with 'the secrets of the chair', is restricted to Masters-elect, present Masters, and Past Masters. Some of the 1981 Masters will be men who have already served their lodges as Masters, and they, of course, do not need to be invested again. However, it is hoped that all 1981 Masters, including those who are Past Masters and those who may have been installed prior to the Dec. 29 date, will take part in the ceremony, thus indicating their support to the unity of the Monroe Districts, and the unity of the 1981 Masters group. All 1981 Masters taking part are required to bring three things: a Bible, a small pair of square and compasses, and a person to act as escort (the present, outgoing Master is traditionally the escort, but any other Past Master can also perform the function).

The Investiture Ceremony will be preceded by a dinner at 6:00 p.m. for which reservations are an absolute necessity. Please note the early hour for the dinner, which allows time for a brief rehearsal for the team of Investing Officers. Dinner reservations may be made by calling the Masonic Service Bureau, or by contacting the Master of any Monroe County Lodge.

R.W.: GEORGE A. STEAR  
D.D.G.M. FIRST  
MONROE DISTRICT

My Dear Brethren;

For this issue, I am devoting my column to the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory. Did you know that:

The Laboratory is one of the very few in the entire world that is studying the basic biological mechanisms of aging?

Thousands of Americans with coronary heart disease are alive today because of the application of the research findings emanating from YOUR Masonic Medical Research Laboratory?

Scientists at the Laboratory are investigating the mechanisms of production of cancer by a variety of chemicals called "carcinogens" (cancer-producing chemicals)?

A recent "breakthrough" will provide new methods for the diagnosis of certain potentially dangerous disorders of the heart's rhythm?

There is work being done at the Laboratory with Vitamin A which may play a role in preventing Cancer?

There is a program in progress aimed at finding a cure for Muscular Dystrophy?

A scientist at the Laboratory working in conjunction with colleagues in Sweden developed the basis for what can be called a cure for Cholera?

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My Brethren,

If you believe in something, you support it. If you support something, the time comes when good wishes and cordial words are not enough and your hand reaches for your pocketbook. Then the fun begins. For giving is fun. If you refuse to give, your support is wavering; and if your support wavers, it can't be that you believe in that something in any strong way. Maybe our account books, after all, offer the honest list of those things in which we really believe.

May God Bless You for your kind and thoughtful generosity. Warmest personal regards.

Faternally,

George A. Stear,

D.D.G.M. - 1st Monroe



## CHRISTMAS TRIP TO UTICA MASONIC HOME

Yes, there is still room on the buses to the Masonic Home in Utica! Our trip is on Saturday, Dec. 13, and as of this writing we still have twenty (20) openings on the buses. Even if we fill those up, we always have some last minute cancellations, so we like to have a waiting list of people who want to go with us. The cost is \$12 per person, payable in advance to secure your reservation, and this covers the cost of your bus trip. We take along our own lunches, and after spending most of the afternoon at the Masonic Home, we will enjoy the beautiful Christmas lights at Trinkaus Manor, where we will order dinner from the menu, returning to Rochester about 9:30 p.m. The buses leave from the Masonic Temple parking lot promptly at 8:30 a.m., so don't be late - get your reservations in now, and get to the Temple early on Saturday morning, Dec. 13.

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## THE MONROE MASONIC NEWS CONTINUES

As the result of the expression of interest on the part of many people, it appears at this time that we will be able to continue publishing the Monroe Masonic News, at least through 1981. Several qualified people have applied for the position of business manager, and although a decision has not yet been made, it appears that one of them will be selected before publication of the next issue. As indicated in an earlier issue of the News, this means an increase of price for subscriptions and advertising of 50%, effective Jan. 1, 1981. We hope all our subscribers and advertisers will understand the need for this increase in the face of rising postage and material costs, and in particular we hope our advertisers will take due note of the fact that our advertising rates have not changed since the News began in 1963.

R.W.: FRANK J. ARNOLD  
D.D.G.M. SECOND  
MONROE DISTRICT

Brethren,

I would like at this time to direct this message to the officers of 1981.

This month you will be elected to your office and some of you will be installed in this month of December. Therefore, since you have received the Grand Masters Message, I want to remind you to "persevere" in your duties of the office to which you are elected.

The Grand Master is interested in the number of men that will be raised in your Lodge respects the need for making use of the pamphlet "Freemasonry" for the inquiring friend.

Lodge attendance is reflected on how well planned your program is and how the work in your Lodge is conducted.

The Schools of our two Monroe Districts are rated excellent and the attendance of your Lodge can improve, by your participation and attendance at these Schools. Which will reflect the quality of your work in your Lodge.

This year it is a must for you to help attain the goal of the "Think Big and Build" project. You should plan a visit to the Utica Home with your family, to see the construction taking place.

It will also be necessary for the "Brotherhood Fund Chairman," to persevere in reminding our Brethren of our continuing charity.

I also remind you to thank your Ladies as often as you can for standing by you during your term as an officer of your Lodge.

Then we are reminded of the wonderful opportunity to reintroduce Masonry to our community, in this coming 200th Anniversary in 1981, with that Birthday Party that you are planning.

I wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Faternally,

Frank Arnold

D.D.G.M. - 2nd Monroe



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--Have your mechanic check the battery cables to make certain they are clean and fastened properly.

--Keep your window washer filled with window washing solution.

--Have your wipers and lights checked so they are operating properly.

--Keep a snow brush and ice scraper in the auto.

--Snow tires are a must. Make certain they have deep tread to assist you in stopping properly and to help you through the snow.

--Keep your gas tank at least half filled and add dry gas to your gas to avoid gas line freeze up.

--And last, but not least, if you become stuck, make certain you keep the front wheel straight and gently rock the car back and forth until the momentum moves you out.

## CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

by Rev. William H. McKee

December marks the shortest day as far as sunlight is concerned, but it also has the most light in other ways.

Our Jewish friends recall their regaining their Temple over 2000 years ago when the nation was held captive by a Syrian Greek Emperor Antiochus IV who had seized their Temple at Jerusalem, filled it with idols and ordered them not to worship there, forget their religion.

Was ensured for many years. The Israelites were outnumbered by a vast army several times in size and were obliged to use other than facing battle in the open country. However, they built a large camp and had smaller one surrounding it on all sides. The Syrian army in full force marched there but found none inside. From every side the Israelites appeared and won a great victory.

They returned to Jerusalem and in the ruined Temple found a small bottle of holy oil which would ordinarily last one day but continued to burn eight days which gave the priests time to prepare a new supply. Today, that Temple festival is observed and 8 days are devoted to gift giving, a joyous time of lights and religion observance - a time of light for Christians who recall the birth of their Saviour, who also brought new light and hope into a dark world.

George Washington read the book of Maccabees for he won a great battle in our war of independence by using the same maneuver.

In 1980-81 we may feel surrounded by much that we cannot cope with. There is still time to seek a way as we read of the many victories of God's children recorded in the one volume which has preserved the story of the eternal care of our Creator for all who know and follow Him.

## MASONIC BROTHERHOOD FUND



## GROTTO

The October 15th meeting was not well attended but the short form ceremonial went very well.

Our Monarch's Ball, November 1st at the Holiday Inn was well attended and a huge success. A tip of the fez to Chief Justice Dan Geska & wife Barb and all who helped to make this an enjoyable weekend. On a sad note, our Monarch's wife Dorothy McClary fell & had 16 stitches taken over her eye. We trust she is on her way to a speedy recovery.

As this is my last article as writer for this column I would, on behalf of the Officers and members, congratulate Monarch Charles R. McClary on a fine year. May his effort as a Past Monarch bring us closer together and strive to gain the good fellowship we all desire. I trust the Monarch Elect Dan W. Geska and his 1981 Officers will have a good year.

Lalla Rookh Caldron #68 Installation of Officers November 8th, is now history. Our congratulations to Jr. P.M.C.O. Susan Wilson on a good year and to M.C.O. Linda Lunn and her officers that all their goals will be achieved in the coming year. Lalla Rookh Grotto was well represented with Officers, Prophets, and several members of the Patrol & Legion of Honor who did a fine job as escorts.

Dates to remember: December 7th -- In the morning -- trip to Happiness House. At night - Election of Officers and Christmas Party.

To the Monarch Charles McClary, I thank you for the privilege of allowing me to write this column this year of 1980. I have during the year tried to keep everyone informed of events & interests of our Grotto. As we enter the Christmas Season I wish all the families and friends a spirit of Christmas and closeness to freemasonry and everlasting fellowship in all the things that we do.

Our prayers go out to all who are ill.

Fraternally,  
Fred Ambeau, Publicity

- LET'S GO VISITING**
- 1 - Corinthian Temple Masters Nite
  - 1 - Valley - 2nd Degree
  - 1 - J.A. Robertson - Gen. Mtg.
  - 2 - Penfield Union - 2nd Degree
  - 2 - Charlotte - Official Visit - Dinner
  - 2 - Yonondio - Open Mtg.
  - 3 - Union Star - Ann. Mtg.
  - 4 - Webster - Ladies Nite
  - 4 - Northfield - 3°
  - 5 - Rochester - P. Masters Dinner
  - 5 - Monroe Commandery - Full Form Opening
  - 6 - Flower City - Square Dance
  - 6 - Grotto - Election & Xmas Party
  - 8 - Etolian - Ann. Mtg.
  - 8 - Wakan - Ann. Mtg.
  - 8 - Rochester - Ann. Mtg.
  - 8 - Henrietta - Ann. Mtg.
  - 8 - Doric Council - Reg. Mtg.
  - 9 - Flower City - Ann. Mtg.
  - 9 - Fame - Ann. Mtg.
  - 9 - F.L. Simes - Ann. Mtg.
  - 9 - Orpheus - Ann. Mtg.
  - 9 - E. Roch. - Ann. Mtg.
  - 9 - Ionic Chap. - Ann. Mtg.
  - 9 - Wrapping Day at Canandaigua VA Hospital
  - 10 - Churchville - Ann. Mtg.
  - 10 - Oatka - Ann. Mtg.
  - 10 - Germania - Ann. Mtg.
  - 10 - Ancient Craft - Ann. Mtg.
  - 11 - Zetland - Ann. Mtg.
  - 11 - Genesee Falls - Ann. Mtg.
  - 11 - Hamilton Chap. - Ann. Mtg.
  - 12 - Northfield - Xmas Party
  - 12 - Cyrene & Monroe Commanderies - Annual Christmas Toasts
  - 13 - Germania - Xmas Party
  - 13 - JA Robertson - Xmas Party
  - 13 - Masonic Home Xmas Trip
  - 14 - Charlotte - Xmas Party
  - 14 - Webster - Xmas Party
  - 15 - Valley - Ann. Mtg. & Inst
  - 15 - Corinthian Temple - Ann. Mtg.
  - 15 - Etolian - Xmas Party
  - 15 - JA Robertson - Ann. Mtg. & Inst.
  - 16 - Penfield Union - Ann. Mtg.
  - 16 - Yonondio - Ann. Mtg.
  - 16 - Charlotte - Ann. Mtg.
  - 16 - Seneca - Ann. Mtg. & Inst
  - 18 - Webster - Ann. Mtg.
  - 18 - Northfield - Ann. Mtg.
  - 20 - Fame - Xmas Party
  - 21 - Canandaigua VA Xmas Party
  - 25 - Merry Christmas
  - 29 - Joint Investiture





## 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.

## MASONIC SERVICE BUREAU

Eighteen years ago the Monroe Masonic News was launched sparked by Rt. Wor. George Wetzel, and supported by the Masonic Service Bureau. Throughout the 18 years, the Editor and Publisher have made space available each month for a column titled "Dear Brother Herman." For this courtesy my personal thanks and appreciation to Bro. Wetzel, and to The Masonic Service Bureau and its Executive Directors, Rt. Wor. Odell B. Kelly, of blessed memory, and in recent years to Rt. Wor. William Zufall.

Through the encouragement of the Board of Directors of the Service Bureau the manuscript was prepared for the book, "Dear Brother Herman." At the suggestion of Rt. Wor. Ralph Kellogg, publication was financed by loans from individual brethren and a number of lodges. My special thanks to Bro. Kellogg and to the lodges and the brethren who made the book possible, and to Bro. Emery Carey, who produced a book of high quality. Most of all, we are indebted to Bro. Zufall who is handling the big task of distribution.

The reaction to the book from individual brethren, Masonic leaders and reviewers, has been far, far beyond expectation.

The following are excerpts from a few of the letters received:

"I ordered six of your books, and sold them immediately... It is an excellent book, and should be in the hands of every New York Mason." — D.D.G.M. Broome, Chenango District.

"I have just finished reading your book and find it on a par with the best reference books on Masonry... and ought to be on every Masonic book shelf." — Book Reviewer, Corpus Christie, Texas.

"A Memorable Book" — Masonic Columnist and Reviewer, Valley Stream, N.Y.

"A storehouse of pertinent information, and merits a wide readership." — Masonic author, lecturer, and columnist, Chicago, Ill.

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As a result of reviews in several Masonic magazines, Bro. Zufall informed me that orders have been received from many parts of this country as well as from such far away places as Australia and New Zealand.

My final thanks are extended to the very many Brethren whose questions made all this possible.

THANK YOU ALL!!

Brother Herman

If each 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! Send it to your Lodge Chairman.

Christmas is coming - the goose is getting fat! With the Christmas season comes a whole variety of activities for all of us, and the Masonic Service Bureau is no exception. Each year we distribute food baskets to needy families in the Rochester area. In order to do this, we need **YOUR HELP!** We need you to provide us with the names of needy families who should be receiving this Christmas baskets. The families who receive our baskets of food and presents do not need to be Masonic families, of course, but we do require that their names be given to us from someone within the fraternity (which of course includes the ladies organizations). So PLEASE get the word out to your organizations to give us the names and addresses to those needy folk who would not be able to have a respectable holiday dinner without a little assistance. We need the name, address, number -- adults, and the name and age (and gender) of each child. We can also use donations of non-perishable food and non-perishable money as well.

Christmas at Canandaigua VA Hospital gets under way on Tuesday, Dec. 9 - Wrapping Day - when we gather at 9 a.m. to wrap 3,000 presents for the patients. We are usually finished by noon or shortly thereafter, but many hands make light work, and we can use all the volunteers we can get. The ward Christmas parties at Canandaigua will be on Sunday, Dec. 21, and we should be in the Hospital Auditorium by 1 p.m. We expect a group of Triangle girls and DeMolay, so let's show them that the adults care too. Finally, the distribution of presents to the patients takes place on Christmas Day, which falls on a Thursday this year. It is understandably difficult to get volunteers for this day, because so many of us spend Christmas Day with our families, but if we can get just a few additional volunteers, we will all get home again much sooner. We meet in the Volunteer lounge by 10:30 a.m., and we are usually home again by 1 p.m. - before the grandchildren have broken more than half the toys you gave them!

## LODGE news and views

YONNONDIO  
LODGE  
No. 163  
1st and 3rd  
Tuesdays



Time has flown and it is time to elect new officers for 1981. We are very fortunate to have the people qualified to lead our Lodge into the Bicentennial Year of Masonry in New York State.

The year 1980 has been a good year for the Lodge. We have accomplished many things. We did not accomplish all that we set out to do, but not many do.

It is now time to look forward to 1981 and further, for the decisions being made this month may well have far-reaching results. Will the temple close? What will happen to Lodge if it does? Will we survive? Where will we go? Will there be mergers or consolidations? Will Masonry survive? These questions and others will be discussed this month, but first, I do not know what will happen to the temple. Yonnondio will survive; it will not collapse. We have short range plans already in effect to see us past this possible kind

of emergency. Where we go is no secret to most Lodge members. In my estimation there will be many mergers and consolidations. Yes, Masonry will very definitely survive and grow in the long run. These possible answers are my own observation and at this point, that is all. Add to all this the fact the 1981 is the Bicentennial Year of Masonry in New York State. It has all the makings and promises of a very great year, not only for our Lodge but Masonry in general.

After reading all my previous articles you now know why I want your attention, thoughts, wishes and help. Most of you have given me your best support this year and I hope you will continue to give your best to the new Master, and all the officers and the Lodge. Again, I thank you all for the privilege of serving you and our Lodge as master a second time. It is an honor few receive. Thank you all and God bless.

Fraternally, W.: Don Carlile

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### SHALL BEDTIME PRAYERS BE MODIFIED?

The traditional bedtime prayer most of us said as children may do more harm than good in certain family situations, such as after the death of a family member who has "died in their sleep".

Consider the fear of death-during-sleep which an impressionable child might have after reciting the line: "...and if I die before I wake..."

As we ourselves have survived the sometime violent themes found even in Mother Goose tales, so too, shall our children survive their fear at bedtime. If however, you'd like an alternate rhyme more on the positive side, you might wish to substitute these for the traditional lines:

Now I lay me down to sleep;  
I pray the Lord my soul to keep.  
In the morning when I wake,  
I pray the Lord a good day make.

As 1980 comes to a close, may the peace of the approaching holiday season be with you all.

This is one of a series of articles which we hope will be helpful. Your questions and comments on this and other subjects are welcome--in private, or publically through this column.

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**CHARLOTTE LODGE**  
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It doesn't seem possible that this year has passed so soon, and that this is my last column as Master. It has been an exciting and enjoyable year for me and hopefully a successful year for our Lodge. I would like to thank each and every Officer and Brother for their dedication and cooperation during this year. It has been an honor and privilege to have served as your Master and a year I'll never forget. Also I would like to thank all the wives of our members and sisters of Charlotte Chapter #507 for their help and attendance at our many events. But most of all I'd like to thank my wife Emily for all her untiring work on putting on the many dinners these past few years and putting up with my busy calendar. It has meant many lonely evenings for her I'm sorry to say and hope it has been worth it. Thanks Dear!! Things will get better after August.

The 3rd degree at Murray Lodge was a huge success. We had a degree team of 24 Brothers from Charlotte and an evening that none of us will ever forget as it was an evening not without incidents. The Brotherhood there was grand.

On Oct. 30th we lost the Golden Spade to Webster Lodge at Webster. Sorry Brothers but we'll get it back soon I assure you. At the District Convention we received the School of Ritual Banner and also won the Attendance Banner for the 2nd Monroe District. They are now to be seen in the East at Charlotte. Thanks Brothers for your interest in having them for the next year, at least!!!

Fellowcraft Night was a grand success with Acting W.:M.: Keith Stambach in the East and a complete slate of sideliners filling the chairs. Was very interesting and informative and needless to say many found out it wasn't as easy as they thought it would be. From this type of action could come our future officers.

On Nov. 18th we raised three new Brothers. That

makes eleven new Brothers this year. Keep those petitions coming! Come and meet our newly raised Brothers, and your old friends and Brothers on Dec. 2nd. It will be the official visit of our D.D.G.M. R.:W.: Frank Arnold. Would be nice to have a full house that night especially to show R.:W.: Frank that we are behind him and Masonry. There will be a meat loaf dinner at 6:30 p.m. with all the trimmings which will be put on by the wives of the Officers and Brothers. The cost will be \$4.50 with the profits going to our new building and memorial fund to get it underway. Call me for reservations 663-4644.

Dec. 14th is our Annual Children's Christmas Party at 2:00 p.m. at the Lodge. Come bring your young ones to meet Santa and be entertained by the Clowns. I'm sure Santa will have a present for them and maybe some surprises.

Dec. 16th is our Annual Summoned meeting and election of Officers for 1981. This is the night when you'll find out how we stand and the plans for the future and who the Officers for 1981 will be.

**Sickness & Distress**

I am happy to report that Bro. George Happ is now home from the hospital and recuperating well. Also Bro. Jack Riess should be back home by the time you read this after a session in the hospital. Your cards and visits would be greatly appreciated by both Brothers, but please call first.

**Called Home By The Supreme Architect**

Bro. Horace Baker passed away Nov. 9, 1980, he was raised in Fame #945 in 1953 and affiliated with Charlotte Lodge in 1966. Masonic services were held Nov. 12th and the Lodge extends our heartfelt sympathy to his family.

Don't forget to contribute to the Brotherhood Fund and Think Big and Build for '81. I would now like to wish you all and your families a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. The best of everything to the officers to be of 1981 and all succeeding years.

Fraternally,  
Russ Berry, Master

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



Brethren,

1980 has been a milestone year for Seneca Lodge and for me as well. The privilege of serving as Master has been a unique experience in my life. The merger of two great lodges into one greater lodge was I feel the most significant event in the history of Seneca. I can see signs of the wisdom of that action in the life of the lodge already.

I want to thank all the Officers, Past Masters, and Brethren, for their support during the past year. I know you will continue to support the Masters in the coming years so that the "Tradition" of Seneca will not die. At the Annual Communication on Dec. 16 I will be discharging all of my committees with the exception of any investigating committees still at work and the Roster Committee. I want to thank all those who served so ably. The Roster Committee thru no fault of theirs has not finished the job and I'm hoping the incoming Master will accept their credentials so they may finish the job.

The Temple Civic Center Fund Drive is finally underway. I hope all of our Brothers will find the means to support this worthy cause. I realize it will be a sacrifice but I always remember a fund raising saying from years ago: "Don't give till it hurts, give till it feels good." The Temple means more to the Fraternity than most of us realize so we must do our utmost to keep it alive.

Fraternally,  
William D. Bare,  
Master

**GENESEE FALLS LODGE**  
No. 507  
2nd Thursday

Dear Brethren,

First of all, I want to apologize for not getting my article in last month's Masonic News, but I took a mini vacation and when I returned two days before the deadline, it completely skipped my mind. I believe this is the first time I missed an issue in my two terms as Master. But I am still sorry, because this is the purpose of the Masonic News, to get information to the Brethren. We have had a very busy fall season, with degrees, official visit and regular business. I would like to thank R.:W.: Frank J. Arnold for his very informational and delightful official visit, and also a big thanks to all the companion Grand Lodge Officers that attended with him. My congratulations to Brother Thomas Heller, Jr. and Brother Robert Uderitz

who have just completed the three degrees in Masonry, and I welcome them as newly raised Master Masons. We are still trying my brothers to achieve new Masons in the craft and with everyone's help, we will succeed. I would like to thank all the brothers who helped in conferring two first degrees, the Past Masters Supper Club for conferring the second degree, and the Shrine Past Masters for conferring the third degree. My brethren, those of you that missed any of these degrees really missed some great Masonic Ritual by many dedicated brothers.

This should be my last article in the Masonic News as Master and I sincerely hope that it will not be the last lodge article, because as you know, if we don't get a new editor, the December issue of the Masonic News will be the last.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the brothers of Genesee Falls Lodge, for giving me the privilege of serving as your Master for the second time. I enjoyed my second trip to the East very much, and I hope I lived up to your expectancies. It is a job that demands much of your time and also cooperation from your family, and I am sure that both of these qualities are a part of the life of our incoming officers. The thing that is needed most to support these brethren is attendance, and I hope all of you will try to stretch your cabletow a little more and support our incoming officers by attending lodge. In fact, Brother Fred Birr, Brother George DeWitt, Brother Harry DeWitt, (if elected) and the other appointed officers would be very happy to see you on installation night. As this is the first time around for these brothers, please support them and strive to make Genesee Falls the lodge it was in the past. Brethren our Annual and summoned meeting will be held on Dec. 11, 1980, and our installation of officers will be held on Jan. 8, 1981, and I hope you will be able to attend.

Happy Holidays to you and all your family, may they be enjoyable and God enrich you with happiness in the New Year.

Fraternally,  
La ry Geith, Master

**TRESTLEBOARD**

Dec. 3 - Happy Hanukkah  
Dec. 11 - Annual Meeting  
Dec. 25 - Merry Christmas  
Dec. 29 - Investiture Service  
Jan. 1 - Happy New Year  
Jan. 8 - Installation

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

You are hereby summoned to attend the next Stated Communication of this Lodge to be held on its Lodge Rooms at Churchville, New York on Dec. 10, 1980 at 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year. By order of the Master,  
Francis Morris

Here it is December already, how time has slipped away. The first Sunday of Dec. the 7th will be our Annual Communion Breakfast at 8:00 a.m. by the Rev. Reed. Service will be held at Union Congregational United Church on North Main Street, Churchville. A breakfast after the service will be held in the lodge dining room. We will have a surprise speaker after breakfast, so let's all come out and hear him.

I attended some of the Schools of Instruction, Lodge Administration and the Convention. All were very well researched & lectured, all started and finished on time. The main complaint was how attendance was so low. I do not think this is lack of interest but rather so many other events at the same time, same week-end. Masonry is as strong today as it ever was in this country. Our brothers are as loyal, generous, well educated and conscientious to detail as any in the past 200 years. Thanks to willing speakers, lecturers and instructors, who give willingly of their free time.

Our 3rd degree that was planned for Dec. 3rd has been cancelled and rescheduled for Jan. Due to the emergency operation of one of the candidates. We wish you a speedy recovery Andy. Fraternally yours,  
Dave Morris

**From the Secretary**

Dues notices will be coming out soon. Our dues are \$12.00 plus Grand Lodge dues. Grand Lodge dues are being increased \$.50 to \$7.95. Therefore our dues for 1981 will be \$19.25. If any of the brothers have any questions at all about dues or anything else please feel free to contact me at 392-8224. We need your help in keeping our Lodge in good shape. Come to Lodge and see and hear what we have done and plan to do to improve our rooms. We have many plans underway to celebrate the 200th birthday of Masonry in New York State during 1981. See you in Lodge,  
Earl Stiffen  
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**OATKA LODGE**

No. 759

2nd and 4th Wednesdays

On November 7th we had ladies night at the Pick Town House. There was 45 in attendance and a good time was had by all. For entertainment we had Pat White and his Band. We also had the Rochester Pipe Band. It's always a pleasure to listen and watch the pipe band perform. We all enjoyed it, and would like to thank all of you for taking the time, and effort, to entertain us.

As you all know, this is the time of the year when the brotherhood fund gets underway. The brotherhood fund is a drive to raise money for our home in Utica, N.Y.

As you all know with the cost of living going up it's getting harder to operate our home in Utica. As of this present time we have been able to meet expenses and keep the home going. Last year there was only 25 percent that gave to the brotherhood fund. We were on the bottom of the list. Let's try to get off the bottom of the list. Make a special effort. It's not how much you give, but the percentage that gives. For more information call Andy Elliott at 247-5581.

On December 10th there will be a special service for the brothers that have been called home by the Supreme Architect. This service will be preformed in our Lodge room. Also on this evening we will have the election of officers for 1981.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the officers and members of Oatka for all of the support that they have given me throughout my year as Master of the lodge. Its been a fun year for me, but it will be a pleasure to be a sideliner. There is still a lot to be done in lodge and I plan to be as active as I have been in all of the years that I was going through the chairs.

To many of the Brethren do not attend the meetings. I hope that you do read the Monroe Masonic News of the up-coming events. As most of us know that 1981 is the 200th year of Masonry in the State of New York. On July 11, 1981, there will be a special communication at Oatka Lodge. There will be a party celebrating the 200th anniversary of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York. Put this on your calendar and try to attend. For more information call Bro. Robert Wright at 482-1369.

Once again it is my sad duty to announce the passing of one of our Brothers. On Oct. 21, 1980 Bro. George W. Reese was called home by the Supreme Architect. The officers and members of Oatka Lodge extend their deepest sympathies.

Fraternally,  
John Pascucci

**FRANK L. SIMES LODGE**

No. 990

2nd Tuesday

Our final meeting for 1980 will probably be one of the most important meetings of the year. If you are unable to attend regularly, then this is the one meeting you should make every effort to come to.

We will be having the elections for officers of 1981. We will also be presenting our budget for the next year. Along with these we will be holding a memorial service for the brothers who have passed away this year.

Our November meeting went very smoothly with all the officers moving up one chair to see how it would feel next year. Our lodge will have a full line of officers in 1981, except for having a secretary. This is a very important office in lodge. Anyone who might be interested in this position, please contact Bro. Ray Seward.

This being the last article that I will be writing as your Master, I want to thank all the officers who gave me support this year in running the lodge. I hope that I did the job that was expected of me.

Our fellowcraft club will be holding a Christmas Party for couples on December 16th at Dave Long's house at 11 Galley Hill Lane in Fairport. We are asking that each couple bring a hor'oeuvre to pass. This is a good time of the year to renew some old friendships. Please come if you are able to.

**Sickness & Distress**

It is my sad duty to announce the passing of Wor. Bro. Elmer A. Nill Sr. who served as our Master 1953. Our sincere sympathy goes out to his family.

Fraternally,  
Joe Bishop, Master

**TRESTLEBOARD**

Dec. 9 - Regular Meeting (Election of Officers)

Dec. 16 - Fellowcraft Club Party (Couples at 11 Galley Hill Lane, Fairport)

**ETOLIAN LODGE**

No. 479

2nd and 4th Mondays

This is my last newsletter to you. I would like to express my deepest gratitude and utmost thanks to all Brothers of Etolian Lodge. For the honor and privilege of service as your Master for 1980. The Pride, support and active participation of its members (especially past masters) has made being master of Etolian Lodge truly a once-in-a-lifetime honor. Thank You.

I would also like to express an extra special thank you to the wives and children who have helped our lodge on many occasions. Thank you.

The R.:W.: George A. Stear, D.D.G.M. 1st Monroe District, addressed the need for continued support of the Brotherhood Fund and the Think Big and Build Fund at

our Official Visit on Nov. 10th. I realize that there are many worth while organizations constantly asking for much needed money. As we approach our 200th year, I will only ask that you think of what Masonry means to you.... Let us make 1981 our best year yet, in supporting these funds. Someday, you may be in need of what you are supporting today.

Brother Frank H. Barton (86) and his wife Inez (84) have been accepted into the Masonic Home in Utica. We will be taking them down on Nov. 23rd. Frank has been a Mason since 1916. I can not remember when I have met a nicer couple than Frank and Inez. Here is a good example, from our own Lodge, of what R.:W.: George A. Stear was addressing at our Official Visit. Congratulations Frank and Inez. We will stop in and say hello every change we get.

Wor. Bro. Harry Jackling was presented his 50 year pin at his home, just prior to leaving for Florida for the winter. It was presented by Wor. Bro. Clark Kunes. Also present were Wor. Bro. Raymond Burroughs, Wor. Bro. James Powell and myself. Congratulations Harry. Send us some Florida sunshine around the first of the year.

Congratulations to Wor. Bro. James Powell, who was appointed as District Grand Lecturer, District of Monroe, Order of the Eastern Star.

Our Christmas Party will be held on Dec. 15th at 6:30 p.m. Bring a dish to pass & your own table setting. A meat will be provided. Also bring a present for each child you bring. Party will be hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus, who will hand out the presents according to the name on each one. Also, a magician will be there to entertain the children, regardless of how old they may happen to be.

Wor. Bro. Richard Bennett was still in the Rochester General Hospital, when this letter was written on Nov. 15th. At that time he did not know how long he would be staying. Let us hope that Dick will be reading this from his easy chair at home. Dick, I wish you a speedy recovery.

The M.M. Degree has been cancelled for Dec. 8th. We will only have election of officers. Come out and support your favorite candidate.

At this time I would like to wish all brothers, and their families, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Fraternally,  
Clarence Dinger  
Master

**TRESTLEBOARD**

Dec. 8 - Election of Officers  
Dec. 15 - Joint Christmas Party with Order of Eastern Star 6:30 (Bring a dish to pass & own table setting) (bring a present for each child you bring)

Dec. 25 - Merry Christmas  
Jan. 1 - Happy New Year

**FLOWER CITY LODGE**

No. 910

2nd Tuesday

Brethren,

Our 1980 Ladies' Night, November 15, is now history. For those of us who were there, it was an evening we will long remember. It was beautiful to renew our friendships with the brethren and ladies of Palestine Lodge (Toronto), Perseverance Lodge (Buffalo), and other lodges in Monroe County; in the hospitality room on Saturday afternoon and at an excellent dinner-dance in the evening; and to bid our guests a fond farewell Sunday morning. The Airport Marriott Inn provided a splendid setting for the Rochester episode in a tradition that we have long enjoyed in Toronto and Buffalo.

Those of us who did not attend have none to blame but themselves.

Our next Regular Communication will be our Annual Communication on December 9, 1980, at 7:30 p.m. in the Masonic Temple.

On December 6, we will have a square dance. The price \$5.00 per couple, will cover the dance itself and refreshments, including our famous Latkes (potato pancakes). Reservations will be taken by Bro. Gordon Dodge (334-3660 home, 422-2063 office) or myself, (271-7402 home, 232-7322 office). Do not put yourself in the position of having to blame yourself for another exciting evening missed.

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Belated congratulations are in order to Bro. Larry Schulman, who is serving as Commander of the New York State Jewish War Veterans.

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Fraternally,  
Herb Hirsch, Master

**TRESTLEBOARD**

Dec. 6 - Square Dance and Latke Party (see above)

Dec. 9 - Annual Communication, Elections (see above)

Dec. 16 - Fellowcraft Club, Elections

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**PENFIELD UNION LODGE**

No. 154

1st and 3rd Tuesdays

Brethren,

On Dec. 16th at 7:30 p.m. there will be an Annual meeting with the purpose of electing your officers for the ensuing year. Let every member be present for this very important privilege.

The 2nd degree will be exemplified by Bro. Lloyd Nolan, on Dec. 2nd at 7:30 p.m. Let's have a fine turnout for Bro. Nolan. A practice for the 2nd degree will be announced by Bro. L. Nolan.

May I personally thank Bro. Robert Shrader for the fine job he did on the 1st degree. Along with Bro. C. Yauch, W.: B. Brainard, Bro. Don Morgan, Bro. L. Nolan, Bro. P. Schuryn, W.: J. Borland, R.:W.: Fred Wolfe and Bro. S. Nichols. Also all side liners.

Our Ladies Night was a great success with our S.D. Gary Langdon in charge. We were treated to a fine meal at the Mediterranean Party House. My thanks go to you and R.:W.: Ralph Kellogg who had a fine film for our entertainment.

To the teachers of the School of Ritual, my thanks. It was held at Northfield Lodge last No. 7th. All those present I am sure gained more knowledge on the work.

The Joint Investiture will be at Gothic Hall, with a dinner preceding. Time for the dinner I believe is 6:30 p.m. The Joint Investiture date is Dec. 29th.

I wish to thank all of the officers and members of Penfield Union #154 for making my year as Master most enjoyable. Your support has been great. Thanks again.

This being, I believe, my last Masonic News letter I would like to wish the very best to the 1981 Master and Officers for the ensuing year.

Fraternally,  
Donald Calkins  
Master

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**GERMANIA LODGE  
No. 722  
2nd and 4th Wednesdays**

Brethren,

The year 1980 is rapidly coming to an end. This is my last communications in this paper as Master. It does not seem possible that a whole year has gone by this quickly. One more meeting in December and then it will be time to install new officers in January. I wish to thank all the Brethren who have helped to make this year such a memorable one for me. Special thanks to the officers and committees who worked so hard to make this year successful.

Three new brothers were raised during the year and our social events were all well attended and supported. The Brotherhood Fund under the capable chairmanship of Bro. Bruce Howland set a new high and the paper drives contributed a great deal toward the yearly expenses of the lodge. My heartfelt thanks to all who took part in these activities.

Once again, I want to remind the Brethren that because of the closing of the Masonic Temple during the last two weeks in January, February, and March, there will be no meetings of the Lodge on the fourth Wednesday of these three months. We will meet on the second Wednesday only.

**Notice of  
Annual Summons**

Dear Sir & Brother,

You are hereby summoned to attend the Annual Slated Communication of Germania Lodge #722 F.&A.M. to be held on Wednesday evening, December 10, 1980 at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of electing officers and reading of annual reports.

**Annual  
Christmas Party**

Germania's annual Christmas party will be held on Saturday, December 13, 1980, starting at 6:30 p.m. Please bring a gift for your child or grandchild plainly marked with the child's full name. Remember, this party is financed by your voluntary contributions, so make out your check to Wayne Cowell and mail it to Wayne Cowell, 115 Hinchey Road, Rochester, N.Y. 14624.

Wor. Bro. Wayne does the work of preparing the stockings, trimming the tree, and getting the refreshments--the least we can do is to support his efforts with our contributions.

**Sickness & Distress**

A Masonic funeral service was held for Bro. Lyle Adams who was called home by the

Supreme Architect in October. Our sympathies are extended to his family.

Our sympathy is also extended to Wor. Bro. Norman Hegadorn on the loss of his sister.

Get well wishes are sent to Wor. Bros. Norman Routley and Russell Lane and Bro. Al Witt. We hope you all have a speedy recovery.

Happy Birthday greetings to all the brethren having a birthday in December.

Best wishes to everyone for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Fraternally,  
John H. Foster,  
Master

**TRESTLEBOARD**

Dec. 10 - Lodge Meeting --  
Annual Communication  
Dec. 13 - Christmas Party --  
6:30 p.m.

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

Brethren,

As you know the temple will be closed the last two weeks of January, February, and March. Because of this, I have decided to have our installation in December. The election of officers and installation will be held on December 15, 1980. A dinner will precede the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Please call our Secretary Wor. Merl Nulton 436-3311 or myself at 392-6787 for reservations.

We had a good turnout for our ladies night on November 3rd at the temple. Nice to see everyone enjoying themselves. I would like to thank R.:W.: Tom Davis, W.: Merl Nulton and W.: Paul Robertson for all their help in making the night a success. A lovely meal was prepared by the ladies from Culver Chapter O.E.S. Thank you ladies. We are having a good response with our questionnaire and the results will be published as soon as possible.

I hope you have all made your reservations for the Children's Christmas Party being held on December 13, at the temple.

Very best wishes from the lodge to all our brothers who had a birthday in November.

In closing I would like to wish each and everyone of you a Very Merry Christmas and Good Health and Happiness in 1981.

Fraternally,  
Malcolm Pollock  
Master

**TRESTLEBOARD**

Dec. 1 - General Meeting  
Dec. 13 - Christmas Party  
Dec. 15 - Election &  
Installation of Officers

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

Summon's

You are hereby summoned to attend the Stated Annual Communication Meeting of Fame Lodge #945 F. & A.M. to be held on its lodge room, 4275 Culver Road, Tuesday, December 9, 1980, at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, and to act upon other such business as may come before the lodge.

Wor. John Dense  
Secretary  
Brethren,

On October 28th, we had a very good turnout for the exmplication of the second degree. Also a very good dinner prepared by Bro. Joe Kovacs.

I would like to thank Wor. Clarence Verstreete, also all the other officers for their efforts on the evening of our Memorial Service. This service was dedicated to the eight brother's of the Lodge who were called home by the Supreme Architect, during the past twelve months.

On behalf of Fame Lodge, I would like to congratulate Bro. Sir Knight and Reverend William T. Plews on his recent award the "Knight's Templar Cross of Honor."

The children's Christmas Party on Dec. 20th will be held at the Lodge, from 2 till 5 p.m. Please call Bro. Don Ferguson 671-7369. Remember if it is to be a success, we need participation.

Bros. on Dec. 21st there will be the Annual Trip to the Veteran's hospital in Canandaigua. This annual visitation is looked forward to by the guest's. I will be going, if anyone if interested, please call me for information.

I would like to invite all Brother's their wives, or lady friends, to my house on January 4th to an open house from 4 p.m. till? In appreciation for allowing me the privilege of serving as your worshipful Master.

The holiday season is fast approaching, therefore, I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

**Sickness & Distress**

We extend our sincerest sympathy to Wor. Bro. Herbert Brickell, on the passing of his wife. Fraternaly,  
Ken Rhodes,  
Master

**TRESTLEBOARD**

Dec. 9 - Annual Summoned  
Communication  
Election of Officer's  
Dec. 20 - Children's  
Christmas Party 2-5 pm  
Dec. 21 - Veteran's Hospital  
Canandaigua  
Jan 4 - Open House 4 pm till?

**ZETLAND  
LODGE  
No. 951  
2nd and 4th  
Thursdays**



In January, 1969, I wrote the final message for our own bulletin. The next month I wrote the first message from Zetland Lodge for the *Monroe Masonic News*. Now it appears that this final message as Master of Zetland Lodge will probably be for the final issues of the *Monroe Masonic News*. Although there may not be regular monthly messages, you will be hearing from your Lodge.

I feel that when I was Master in 1969, I was trying to prove something to the Lodge. In 1979, I was trying to prove something to myself. In 1980, I started to really enjoy being Master but lack of attendance at functions, financial problems in Lodge because of non-payment of dues, and other indications of a lack of general interest, have clouded this "year of enjoyment." I hope that I have been of some help to Zetland Lodge in its efforts to survive the temporary "bad times." In any event, I want to thank Zetland Lodge for the honor and opportunity of being Master.

Deepest sympathies are extended to the family of Bro. George Archibald Hutchinson who was called Home by the Supreme Architect of the Universe of January 11, 1980. We didn't learn of his passing until almost mid-November.

At our meeting on November 13, 1980, R.:W.: Frank J. Arnold, D.D.G.M. of the 2nd Monroe District, presented 50 year pins and certificates to Bro. James Ferguson and Bro. James Edward Layes. Bro. Frank Lester Knowles and Bro. Henry R.A. Henrickson were unable to attend the meeting and other arrangements are being made for their presentations.


W.: David Crawford, W.: Gilbert Hess, W.: Ronald Meier and Bro. Sotir Theodor are recovering from their illnesses. Continued best wishes are extended from the Lodge.

Our meeting on December 11, 1980, is our annual meeting which included the election and installation of officers. This will be a dinner meeting with officers formal.

I have many happy memories of the past two years. For example, there have been many 50 and 60 year presentations, the Meritorious Service Award to Bro. Alfred Perkins, the Apron presentation to R.:W.: Joseph Savage and the meetings that included the families. Again, I thank you for your support. Remember our Masonic charities as best you can. See you in Lodge. Fraternaly,  
Kenneth L. Myers,  
Master



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



**Annual Summons**

In accordance with Sec. #302 of the Book of Constitutions, you are hereby summoned to be present at the Annual Meeting of Ancient Craft Lodge #943 F. & A.M. on December 10, 1980 at 7:30 p.m.

At this time the annual reports will be submitted and the election of officers for 1981 will take place.

Joseph Mlayees, Master  
Frederic Hartley, Secretary  
Brethren,

In the absence of our Master, Joseph Mlayees, who is in South America, for personal reasons, I will be very happy to write and keep you informed about what is happening in our Lodge.

At the Oct. 8th meeting, we had a special occasion. We were honored with the presence of our D.D.G.M. R.:W.: George Stear, who presented 50 and 60 year pins to some of our 13 eligible members. It was a very exciting evening. Many thanks to R.:W.: George Stear for the great presentation.

We have a new Brotherhood Fund Chairman, Brother John Setley. He is hoping to hear from all of you, as the money is greatly needed and every dollar helps. His address is 38 Bancroft Drive, Rochester, N.Y. 14616, phone 663-5762. We hope our lodge will give a larger share this year.

Many of our new members, including myself, have not had the opportunity to meet most of our members. I would love to see everyone of you in the lodge working together, living up to our obligations. The lodge needs everyone of you.

Some of our members have forgotten to pay their 1980 membership dues. Our Secretary would like to remind you to pay them as soon as possible.

The Annual Election Meeting will be Dec. 10th. Please try to attend, we need your support.

**Sickness & Distress**

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family of Bro. Wayne Davenport whose death was a loss to us.

Fraternally,  
S.W. Fred Haddad

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

Brethren,

Our first meeting this month is on the 4th and will be a Box Social with our Ladies. The supper boxes, baskets, etc. will be auctioned off to the highest bidder. This lucky person will have the pleasure of the company of the lady who prepared the meal for his supper partner. The proceeds from the auction will go to Webster Temple Building Fund. A craft demo is scheduled to entertain the ladies during our short meeting after which we will rejoin them for some socializing, and possibly a sing-along.

Our Christmas party for the children and grand children and great-grandchildren will be on Sunday, Dec. 14. Be sure to make your reservations with Bro. Tom Pellett. There will be fun and refreshments for all.

The annual meeting and election of officers for 1981 will be on Dec. 18. The dinner preceding it will be prepared and served by the Ladies of Webster Chapter, O.E.D. and nobody wants to miss one of their meals. Make your reservation, soon. P.S. Don't forget the Fellowcraft Stag Christmas party on Wednesday, Dec. 10th.

Sooner or later, all good things must come to an end. That is all too true of my term as Master. It has been a full year and a very rewarding one. I have enjoyed this opportunity to serve my Lodge and the Craft. I want to thank you all for making it possible.


**Sickness & Distress**

I am happy to report that Bro. Willie Fuchs is home and doing well. As usual, they are having a hard time holding him down. By the time you read this, I hope that Wor. Don McTarnaghan is well on the road to recovery from his recent heart attack. One of our younger brothers, Bro. Al Stenzel, is home from Park Ridge and doing well. Al is only 89. I hope I can do as well at his age. If you can, stop by for a visit or give him a call. The Lodge Secretary in Sadoma, Ariz. sent us word that Bro. Glenn Bancroft is in the VA Hospital out there. He didn't have any details but I'm sure that Glenn would appreciate your cards.

Fraternally,  
Phil King, Master

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Brethren,

**Congratulations**

On Sunday, Nov. 2nd at 4 p.m., the public installation of officers of the Genesee Valley Chapter, Order of DeMolay took place with an overflowing Lodge. Raymond Beardsley, Jr. was installed as Master Counselor. Punch and a beautiful cake were served by my wife, Molly, after the installation.

On Thursday, Nov. 6th, at our regular meeting, the Festival of Light was presented by Past Master Counselor, 19 year old Dav O'Hara. It was a beautiful ritual and well done.

We must remember that Master Masons are always invited to attend any DeMolay functions.

On Nov. 20th, the 2nd Degree with our J.W. David Bishop in the East and the M.C. Lec. by R.:W.: Ray Beardsley was well done.

**Recommended Change To The By-Laws**

In Article VI, Section 3, Delete the Phrase "...nineteen dollars..." and replace with the phrase "...twenty-two dollars and fifty cent..."

**Abide in Peace**

Northfield's altar is draped in black for our Brothers Clarke Retchless (on October 13th) and William Lussow (on October 19th). Masonic services were held by Northfield for our Brothers.

"Heavenly Father, grant that they enter into the everlasting habitation and abide in Thy peace forever more."

**"The Master Speaks"**

I thank everyone for a good year at Northfield. To my wife, Molly, who filled my year with love and understanding. To W.: Jack Thibaut, "The friends you make in Masonry, you carry the rest of your life." To W.: Bill Frost, "Peace, Love and Joy." To my Officers and Brothers of Northfield and the Red Cross (1980 Masters). To Lynda Zahn and the Order of the Dirty Napkin. To R.W. Beardsley and the Northfield Temple Association. To the DeMolay, "Festival of Light" for all the things that were done this year, thank you.

"Look to this day - for it is life, the very life of life. For yesterday is but a dream - and tomorrow is only a vision. But today, well lived, makes every yesterday a dream of happiness and every tomorrow a vision of hope." Peace, Love & Joy,  
W.: Willis (Bud) Pierce  
Master 1980

**TRESTLEBOARD**

Dec. 4 - 3rd Degree, Master in the East, Northfield 3rd Degree team Dinner 6:30 p.m. sharp. Please call reservations

to 381-6920; 381-3032; 586-4338

Dec. 12 - Christmas Party at Lodge; 7:30 p.m. Bring a small gift to exchange

Dec. 18 - Annual meeting 7:30 p.m. - Election of Officers

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

**News & Views**

We hear that Bro. Rudy Vogels Wife has had an accident and broken some bones, not too much information but we all hope you are doing well and recovering fast Mrs. Vogel.

Bro. Roy Connolly has undergone surgery at General Hospital and at the time of writing is doing well and hoping to be home in a day or so, look forward to seeing you back in Lodge soon Ray.

Our sincere congratulations to W.: George Buchan on his completion of fifty years in the craft. W.: Webb Sheehy and W.: Frank Denton went out to Georges home and presented the pin in person as George is unable at this time to attend Lodge. W.: George was Master of the Lodge in 1939.

Also congratulations to Brothers Chris and Ted Vangellow, Bill King and Gene McCale on the presentation of 25 year pins.

Don't forget that the Annual General Meeting is on December 8th at the Lodge Rooms, come and join in the discussions that will take place, we would be most happy to have a special turnout for this meeting.

To W.: Webb Sheehy, your year is coming to a rapid close, congratulations to you and your officers. It's surprising just how quick the year goes, just when you think that you have everything going, it's over.

To all our readers a Very Merry Christmas and may the New Year bring you everything you hope for.

Fraternally,  
W.: A. John Tijou


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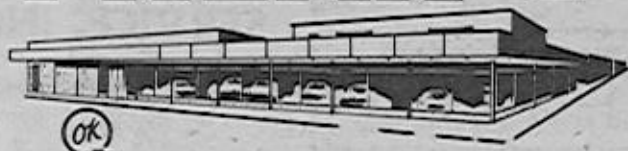
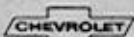
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**ORPHEUS LODGE  
No. 1082  
2nd and 4th Tuesdays**

Brethren,

Our meeting of Oct. 28th was a most pleasant and informative one. We had the great pleasure of having Rt. W. D.D.G.M. George A. Stear and Rt. W. Grand Sword Bearer Myron Kleinberg visit our lodge. I found them both to be very dedicated Masons. Rt. W. George Stear gave us a very interesting message from the Grand Master. Rt. W. Myron Kleinberg also gave us some very interesting points on Masonry, and also presented W. Don Johnson our secretary, with a beautiful certificate of achievement for his great effort in the 1979-1980 Brotherhood Fund campaign. Congratulations Don for a job well done.

On behalf of W.: Don Johnson, I also wish to thank all of the brothers who donated to this most worthy cause. This year brother Jim Mykens is chairman of the fund for our lodge, he is a new member and I am hoping you will all give him the same great support. The brotherhood fund is now in full swing brethren so please send in your donations as soon as you receive your envelope. Let's top last years amount.

Rt. W. George Stear also congratulated Rt. W. Bill Dworkin for the great job he did last year as D.D.G.M. and so do all of our lodge members. We are proud to have Masons of this caliber in our Lodge.

On Dec. 9 we will be holding our election of officers, come on out and meet the people who will be doing their utmost to keep your lodge alive.

Your presence will be greatly appreciated by all of us.

Fraternally yours,  
William Stefanini  
Master

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

Our November meeting was held with the Senior Warden in the East, and I was once again in the hospital recuperating from surgery. R.:W.: Frank Arnold delivered the Grand Master's message and inspected the books and records of the Lodge and pronounced them in excellent condition. Our Third Degree had to be cancelled due to a prior commitment of the 1980 Masters Degree Team. Northfield Lodge has consented to confer the degree on our candidate at their December 4th meeting.

Under sickness and distress, R.:W.: Don Magruder has had minor surgery and is recuperating at home. Our heartfelt sympathy goes to Bro. Dick

Dye on the loss of his father.

The Star Market party was a success thanks to the efforts of the Lodge members and their families under the chairmanship of R.:W.: Ralph Gray.

December 3rd is our summons annual communication. Come to the Lodge and elected your 1981 officers. Don't forget the Brotherhood Fund and the Think Big and Build Campaign. I hope to see you all at our December meeting. Fraternally,  
Dick Bennett, Master

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

As this is my last letter to you members as Master, I want to take this time and with deep appreciation, thank the Officers and members who have supported me throughout the year. Without the dedication of some of these members, it would have been hard to maintain a semblance of a meeting as prescribed by our constitution. It is this perseverance that has sustained Masonry throughout its history and with it, plus hard work, Masonry will again grow. Our own Lodge is seeing growth, with two new members as previously reported and our class of candidates is now up to three. There is still time before our first degree to make it a full class of five. Let us all work together, support your new Master and make Masonry grow.

The meeting of December 9th is an important meeting. It is a summoned meeting for the election of Officers and is vital for the continued operations of the Lodge. Let's make this meeting a MUST and meet with your old friends. The new Officers need your support and confidence. Anyone who needs a ride, please call me at 586-8623 or contact any Officer.

The Brotherhood Fund is off to a good start and I am confident East Rochester Lodge will again achieve its goal of a high percentage of support. This year I am making a goal of \$1,000 which is about \$8.00 per member. In the past we have arranged around \$800.00, so this goal is not unrealistic. There will be a poster displayed at our meetings showing the progress of this Fund Drive. Please give and support this worthwhile cause.

This is the close of the year and along with it the holidays. It is my HOPE and WISH, that each and everyone of you and your families, have a HAPPY and MERRY HOLIDAY, and a HEALTHFUL and PROSPEROUS NEW-YEAR. God Bless You All.

Fraternally yours,  
Gordon L. Hoag, Master

**TRESTLEBOARD**  
Dec. 9 - Election of Officers

**CORINTHIAN  
TEMPLE  
LODGE  
No. 805  
1st and 3rd  
Mondays**



This is my last news letter to you. It seems like only last month that I was writing the first letter of 1980.

I would like to thank the Lodge for the privilege of serving as your Master this current year. I would also like to thank my line officers for their splendid work in making my task that much easier.

The last meeting of the School of Ritual was held Nov. 7th, with Corinthian doing the balloting and closing. It was very interesting to the Wardens who will soon be moving up.

The Brotherhood Fund is underway for 1981. Please send your contributions to James Smith.

I would like to thank all the Past Masters for filling in the vacant places in Lodge this year. I hope this news reaches you before Dec. 1, because the Past Masters are taking over, opening and closing with W.: Bonnington, Nesbitt and J. Hinds as Master and Wardens. I hope to see you all out that evening to see these W.:s perform.

Fraternally yours,  
Elbert H. Freeman, Master

**TRESTLEBOARD**

Dec. 1 - Past Master's Night  
Dec. 15 - Annual Meeting and Election of Officers

**From the Secretary**

I want to thank the many members who have sent in their checks for dues to receive the new Grand Lodge Bicentennial Dues Card. Besides receiving this card the lodge also receives money which it needs to operate the every day affairs. When dues are not paid, it falls on the lodge to use up its interest to pay for rent, Grand Lodge Per Capita, Monroe Masonic News, a contribution to the Masonic Service Bureau and many other payments which members are not aware of. Your Lodge is responsible to pay up for you and it is very sad to see those few Brothers who owe the lodge money and then decide that they can't pay because they do not come to lodge. There is one way to alleviate this problem. Attend lodge and get to know the rest of the Brothers. The last resort is to request a Dimit when all money owed is paid up.

Birthday congratulations to the following Brothers: Harry Kipp, Donald Scheerens 12/5; Jon Alexander, W. Ralph Jenkinson 12/8; John Joseph 12/10; Milton Klick, Gerald Dressman 12/14; Walter Herman, Wor. Frederick Newman (Master 1937) 12/18; Rt. Wor. Bertram Steene (Master 1966) 12/21; Charles Vaughn 12/25 and Frederick Walker 12/26.  
Bertram M. Steene, Secretary



Rochester  
Dear Brethren,  
Our Annual Summons meeting will be Dec. 8 with a roast beef dinner preceding the meeting. The dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. Linda Zahn and Northfield Lodge will do their excellent job. Please call Jr. Warden George Bradshaw at 586-5092 by December 2 for a reservation.

The election of officers for 1981 will take place at the December 8 Annual Meeting. All Brothers who are able to attend are urged to be present.

R.:W.: Frank J. Arnold, D.D.G.M. Second Monroe District had his Official Visit November 10. The Lodge heard the Grand Masters's Message and the Meeting was most informative.

The Rochester Lodge Past Masters Dinner is to be held December 5 at 7:30 p.m. at the Kopper Kettle. Please call W.: Dick Zorn with your reservation by Dec. 1. Let us have as many of the 21 living Past Masters of Rochester Lodge attending as possible.

Please remember that the Fellowcraft Club now meets on the **First Tuesday of the Month** at 7:30 p.m.

The Master wishes to thank the Rochester Lodge Members and their Ladies for the support that has been given to me this year. 1980 has been a year of transition and the Master trusts that these changes will prove advantageous in the coming years. I wish to express my gratitude to all of you for the privilege and the honor of serving as your Master again. I also wish all of you Seasons Greetings and a Happy New Year.

Faternally,  
Edward J. Garrett, Master  
**TRESTLEBOARD**  
Dec. 2 - Fellowcraft Club 7:30 p.m.  
Dec. 5 - Past Masters Dinner 7:30 p.m. Kopper Kettle  
Dec. 8 - Annual Meeting and Election of Officers Dinner 6:30 p.m.

**From the Secretary**  
You are hereby Summoned to attend the Stated Communication of Rochester Lodge #660 F. & A.M. to be held in Northfield Temple, 17 Church Street, Pittsford, N.Y. on Monday the 8th of December at 7:30 p.m., for the purpose of electing the Officers for the ensuing year and other such business as may regularly come before the lodge.

By order of:  
Worshipful Master  
Edward J. Garrett  
George M. Adams, Secretary  
A roast beef dinner will precede the meeting, dinner at 6:30 p.m. Come out and get acquainted with our new meeting place and join in the good fellowship with your Brethren. Reservations for the dinner can be made by calling George Bradshaw - 586-5092 or your Secretary at 244-3068.

Brother Stu Boyce is in the Northside Hospital. Getting away from the Arizona heat W.:B.: Dick Kassel and his wife Lorraine spent a most enjoyable summer in Alaska with their youngest son.

Congratulations to the following Brothers who celebrate their Birthday in December: Henry Darwen 12/2; Charles Adams 12/3; Robert Burkhardt 12/4; Glenn Murat 12/5; Samuel Freedland 12/5; Wor. Donald Leisten 12/6; Donald Woodruff 12/9; Alfred Hogg 12/11; Harold Webster 12/13; Earl Pearce 12/15; Harvey Feldman 12/16; Martin Feinberg 12/17; Theodore Hamilton 12/19; David Adams 12/20; Max Barwald 12/24; Sidney Grossman 12/26; Emanuel Poulis 12/27; Leroy Wilson 12/27; and Ralph Rowlingson 12/31.

As we approach this holiday season, to ur Jewish Brethren we wish you a happy Hanukkah and to the others a very Merry Christmas and to all a Happy and Prosperous 1981.

George M. Adams, Secretary

**VALLEY LODGE**  
No. 109  
1st and 3rd Mondays

This year is flying by mighty fast. Here it is the end of November already. We had some real fine degree work on Nov. 3. When we had the first degree for Brother Adam Jurzyniec. I want to take this time to thank all the Brethren that were present. For their great support and hope to see many more back for the rest of the degrees. December 1st will be the 2nd degree.

I also want to thank those Brethren & their wives for their support at the Masters & Wardens Halloween Party. Their costumes were all terrific.

The Save the Temple Drive is now in motion. So once again it is time for all of us to pitch in and do what we can. I have got a lot of faith in all of us, and know we can save this temple, this beautiful building. So let's all once again pitch in and solve this problem once anf for all.

The annual meeting and election of officers will be held Dec. 15th. This will be our last get together this year so bring a brother and come on out.

I appologize for not getting up to see Brother Ed Miller & his wife or Rose Gronkin. Florence Miller is still in the Strong. I hope she will be home soon. Rose Gronkin is to go home Nov. 15. Hope she feels a lot better.

I have tickets for the Masters and Wardens Winter Party January 31, to be held at the Lodge on the Green. Cocktails at 6:30. Dinner at 7:30. The price of the tickets will be \$9.00 per person.

Faternally,  
Harry Coates, Master

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**HENRIETTA LODGE**  
No. 526  
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The year is almost over and before too long it will be a new year. Our Annual Summons Meeting for the election of new officers will be on Tuesday, December 8, 1980.

The Fellowcraft is having a ham dinner on Saturday, December 13. Cost \$4.00 per person. For further information contact W.: Merton Drum 334-3984.

I would like to thank our District Grand Deputy R.:W.: Frank Arnold and our Grand Master of Ceremonies R.:W.: Joe Savage for the interesting lectures concerning Masonry that they gave when they visited our lodge on Tuesday, November 11, 1980.

I would like to wish all the Brethren and their families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Remember the Brotherhood Fund!  
Faternally,  
Bob Ledsome, Master

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## LODGE INSTALLATION CALENDAR

The Masonic Lodges of the Monroe Masonic Districts wish you a joyous holiday season, and invite all Masons to attend the annual Installation ceremony of your lodge. In fact, each prospective Master tells us that he would be happy to see lots of visitors on the sidelines, so let's support each others lodges as well, and see how others do it! The following is a chronological schedule of Installations:

Lodge	Date
Zetland #951	Thursday, Dec. 11, 1980
Valley #109	Monday, Dec. 15, 1980
Seneca #797	Tuesday, Dec. 16, 1980
Craftsman #969	Tuesday, Dec. 16, 1980
Warren C. Hubbard #964	Friday, Dec. 19, 1980
Corinthian Temple #805	Monday, January 5, 1981
John A. Robertson #1032	Monday, January 5, 1981
Penfield Union #154	Tuesday, January 6, 1981
Yonnondio #163	Tuesday, January 6, 1981
Clio #779	Tuesday, January 6, 1981
Charlotte #1088	Tuesday, January 6, 1981
Union Star #320	Wednesday, January 7, 1981
Genesee Falls #507	Thursday, January 8, 1981
Fairport #476	Monday, January 12, 1981
Etolian #479	Monday, January 12, 1981
Rochester #660	Monday, January 12, 1981
Wakan #1054	Monday, January 12, 1981
Monroe #173	Tuesday, January 13, 1981
Henrietta #526	Tuesday, January 13, 1981
Flower City #910	Tuesday, January 13, 1981
Fame #945	Tuesday, January 13, 1981
Frank L. Simes #990	Tuesday, January 13, 1981
East Rochester #1020	Tuesday, January 13, 1981
Orpheus #1082	Tuesday, January 13, 1981
Churchville #667	Wednesday, January 14, 1981
Germania #722	Wednesday, January 14, 1981
Oatka #759	Wednesday, January 14, 1981
Ancient Craft #943	Wednesday, January 14, 1981
Northfield #526	Thursday, January 15, 1981
Webster #538	Thursday, January 15, 1981

## York Rite News

### HAMILTON CHAPTER

No. 62  
ROYAL ARCH  
MASONS  
2nd and 4th  
Thursdays



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### Annual Summons

In compliance with Section 33 of the Constitution of the Grand Chapter of the State of New York, Royal Arch Masons, you are hereby summoned to attend the Annual Stated Convocation of Hamilton Chapter No. 62, Royal Arch Masons to be held in Cathedral Hall, Masonic Temple, 875 Main Street East, Rochester, N.Y. on Thursday evening, December 11, 1980, at 7:30 p.m., at which time the officers will be elected for the ensuing year, and such business transacted as may properly come before the meeting.

Ex. Robert H. Cook  
High Priest  
Rt. Ex. Richard J. Oliver  
Secretary

December is the Holiday Season. These days of celebration bring light and love to those of all faiths. Hear these words: *We have come to banish night, Banish it with candle light. All the little candle rays, Join to make a mighty balze. Vanish darkness, vanish night, Hanakkah is the feast of light.* — E. Amiran

The coming of light into a dark mind brings joy unspeakable. The famous example of that joy is the story told of Archimedes, who, upon discovering a method of determining the purity of gold in King Herod's crown, cried out in ecstasy, "Eureka, I have found it; I have found it."

The coming of light to one person often means the lighting of millions of pathways. Thus the invention of the incandescent light by Edison. Abraham Lincoln found light and illuminated a million lives living in darkness. The Ten Commandments provide ten social and spiritual lights which shall never go out. When Martin Luther declared that "the just shall live by faith," he made it possible for the light of the Gospels to illuminate the world.

Simeon pictures Jesus as a light which would illuminate the Jewish race.

The light for physical eyes is only the alphabet for human achievement. The man who can bring light to the mind brings a new epoch. Light seems to glow for one generation. A new illumination is needed for the next generation.

Examine critically every light-bringing agency on earth, every system devised by man, every contribution by men and women, and we shall

find that Jesus Christ has given more light to dark minds and hearts than all the others combined.

"The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light; and they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.

For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given, and the government shall be upon His shoulder; and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, the Might God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace," from The Messiah by George Frederick Handel.

During this holiday season it is extremely important that we vanish darkness, vanish night, and bring the concept of Light into the world that all may see the glorious works of Creation.

We mourn the loss of R.E. Herman Bennett, a companion and friend whose light shall forever shine in the hearts of those who know and loved him.

The meeting on November 13th was a memorable one. The Memorial Service led by R.E. William T. Plews, Chaplain, was inspirational. R.E. John Aram, Grand King, shared his thoughts regarding Royal Arch Masonry. He emphasized the importance of enthusiasm of the officers. Enthusiasm is catching and will bring others back to Chapter to join in the enthusiasm.

Our only meeting in December is on the 11th. It is a summoned meeting for the purpose of electing officers for 1981. Come and exercise your duty as a Companion and member of Hamilton Chapter No. 62.

May the light and joy of this Blessed Holiday Season sustain you and be with you all the days of your life.  
Robert H. Cook  
High Priest

### DORIC COUNCIL No. 19

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Companions and Brothers: As this issue goes to press, we are looking forward to the official visit of R.I. Richard Eades, DDGM, on November 24. Companion Eades will bring us the message of M.I. Companion Charles Grand, Grand master, and alert us to coming events in Cryptic Masonry for the Eighty Cryptic District and elsewhere in the State. R.I. Raymond Beardsley, Grand Steward plans to be with us for this Assembly. The regular business of the meeting will be limited to the essentials in order that our distinguished

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Companion may have full opportunity to bring us his message.

The December meeting will be held on the Second Monday, December 8, in accordance with our usual custom. At this time, reports of committees which have been working this fall will be finalized, and remaining details of our winter degree work will be discussed.

The Royal Master Degree will be conferred in full form on the second Monday of January, January 12 in Ionic Hall. The change in dates from the fourth Monday results from the decision of the Temple Trustees to close the building the last two weeks of January, February and March. The regular officers will take their respective parts and we will need a number of sideliners to assist with the degree.

The Select Master Degree will be conferred on Monday, February 9, and again we will need help from non-officers to do the work properly. Tentative plans have been made to confer the Super Excellent Master Degree on March 9, dependent upon our ability to work this optional degree in within the two weeks available to us in March. Final plans regarding this last degree will be announced later.

Petitions should be coming in now for the Council degree, and I quote from last month's news: Promote your Council with PRIDE, reminding our Royal Arch Companions that only through the Council degrees can they complete their search for light in ancient craft Masonry.

Fraternally,  
Horace C. Porter  
Illustrious Master

**IONIC CHAPTER**  
No. 210  
ROYAL ARCH MASONS  
2nd and 4th Tuesdays

**Companions: You are hereby Summoned to attend the regular meeting of Ionic Chapter #210, on December 9, 1980, for the purpose of Election of Officers, Reports of committees and such other business that may be brought up. This is a summoned meeting. R.E. Huff, Secretary.**

As most of the members by now know that the Temple will be closed the last 2 weeks of Jan., Feb., and Mar. in 1981. The following is a list of our meetings for the 1st half of 1981. Starting time is still 7:30 p.m. Dec. 9th in Cathedral Hall. Jan. 13, 1981 in Cathedral Hall. Feb. 10th in Doric Hall. Mar. 10th in Doric Hall. Apr. 28th in Cathedral Hall. May 26th in Cathedral Hall.

I wish to thank all Officers and Companions for their participation in Ionic's activities for the year 1980. This has been a great learning process for me and I know

that your cooperation will be there for the year 1981.

On Nov. 8, 1980, in Batavia, N.Y. a Regional Seminar was held and was attended by members from the Western part of the State. Attended from Ionic Chapter was: V.E. Stanley V. Peterson, R.E. Gordon Mosher, E.C. Roy E. Huff, C. Archibald Barbour and our H.P. Nicholas Michaels. It was a discussion type Seminar where each District covered a Topic of Interest to all Companions. R.E. Early J. Hino, Jr., Deputy Grand H.P. of the Grand Chapter of the State of NY was the State Representative. This meeting was well attended and very educational to all. Hope to have more like it.

On Nov. 13, 1980, at Hamilton Chapter the Grand King, R.E. John Aram made his Official District Visitation. Ionic Chapter was represented by V.E. Stanley V. Peterson and H.P. Nicholas Michaels.

Candidate Beecher Jeffery is doing as well as can be expected. He tires very easily. Comp. Joseph L. Vials of Fl. is in a nursing home. Best wishes and health to Beecher and Joseph from all members of Ionic Chapter.

We have one death to report at this time. Sorry we did not catch it when it happened. Comp. Richard O. Strauss passed away on Aug. 8, 1980. He was a member of John A. Robertson Lodge. He had his MM on Sept. 9, 1952, MEM on Oct. 14, 1952, PM on Oct. 28, 1952 and RAM on Nov. 25, 1952. He has been taken from us and we will miss his presence with us. A belated card was sent to his family.

It indeed is a pleasure to have Comp. Tim Slater attend our meetings and play the organ for us. All the Companions certainly appreciate his doing it for us.

Believe that is all for this time except: "Nothing less than a Miracle will do for now." Let's keep up the good work and things will come out just great. Have fun. Fraternal yours,  
H.P. Nicholas Michaels  
Comp. R.E. Huff, Reporter

**MONROE COMMANDERY**  
No. 12  
KNIGHTS  
TEMPLAR  
1st and 3rd  
Fridays  
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"And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be taxed... and all went to be taxed, everyone into his own city... and Joseph also went up unto the city of David which is called Bethlehem with Mary... to be taxed... and so it was while they were there she brought forth her first born son, and wrapped in

swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. And lo an angel said: unto you is born this day, in the City of David, A Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."

Thus begins the Christmas Story according to St. Luke. Many look at the political implication of this passage and the fact that taxation was an issue at the time of the birth of the Babe in Bethlehem.

Just prior to the birth of the Christ Child we read of the incident outside the Inn. Joseph and Mary were told there was *no room in the Inn*. In this day and age when we are so busy, often our minds are occupied with earthly things, so important to us since they constitute the greater part of our lives on earth. We busy ourselves with scrambling to make a living for our families, to provide home and the good things of life for them and, in doing, tend to overlook the most vital thing of all. Of course our neglect of this most important thing is not deliberate; we don't overlook it "on purpose", but the result, the effect on our lives, is the same. In so neglecting it we unwittingly hang a "no room" sign over the doorway to our hearts.

There is nothing actually wrong with us and our lives except the fact that the entrance to our innermost selves often bears the "no room" sign. It's true that most of us feel we must work for a living, but in the process let's not shut out of our hearts that bright inner awareness, that brilliant inward vision of what life should really be. If we're ever to grow and become increasingly better men, it's vitally necessary that we develop and hold fast to a greater and finer vision of life than ever before. It has been said that there are far too many who tell it like it is and far too few who tell it like it should be.

Such a finer vision is equivalent to the Christ Child, and its revelation within us is equivalent to the Child's birth. Let's not relegate that revelation to the "stable" of our minds, but let's give it the best room in our mental inns. Let's look after it, cherish it, and treat it as we would an honored guest.

As we greeted the Hermit so should we live, "Silver and gold have I none, but such as I have give I unto thee." Christmas is a time for giving what we have for a finer vision and the gift of sight. Contribute to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation for the gift of sight.

Our 7:45 p.m. meetings in December are as follows: December 5, Full-form Opening in Cathedral Hall. December 12, Annual Christmas Toasts to be hosted by Cyrene Commandery No. 39 in Cathedral Hall. Dinner for the Ladies and Sir Knights will be served by the Schicker Club at 6:30 p.m. Call Lady

Hazel Denton (872-4162) for reservations and information as to what dish to bring. The meat dish will be furnished. Sir Knights of Monroe Commandery No. 12 let's really participate in the toasts.

Dec. 19 - Awards Night. Dinner for the Ladies and Sir Knights will be served at 6:30 p.m. in the Third Floor Dining Room. A Christmas Party and gift exchange will be held after the meeting. Come one, Come all and bring an inexpensive (fun) gift for exchange.

"Christmas is not a time or a season but a state of mind. To cherish Peace and Good Will, to be plenteous in Mercy, is to have the real Spirit of Christmas. If we think o'er these things, there will be born in us a Saviour and over us will shine a star sending its gleam of Hope to the World."--Calvin Coolidge.

May the Blessings of the Christmas Season be with you all year.

Fraternally,  
Robert H. Cook  
Commander

**CYRENE COMMANDERY**  
No. 39  
KNIGHTS  
TEMPLAR  
2nd and 4th  
Fridays  
Chartered  
1867



**You are hereby summoned to attend the regular conclave of Cyrene Commandery #39 KT to be held at Cathedral Hall, Masonic Temple, Rochester, N.Y. on Friday evening, January 9th, 1981, at 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving reports from various officers and committees, and transacting such business as may properly come before the Commandery. Gordon C. Mosher, Recorder.**

"The days dwindle to a precious few"--December already! This, the first of the Eighties, is a year nearly ended. A time for retrospection--and introspection. As we approach the annual celebration of the Birth of Our Blessed Saviour, let us review, and renew, the vows we have assumed as Knights of the Temple and resolve to be worthy of the Sign of the Cross we wear. We have indeed been very busy.

Cyrene Commandery was pleased and privileged on November 8th to provide an honor guard at the Installation of Carol Lisa Mewhirter, Beloved Queen of Fidelity Triangle #4, and her associates. The Beloved Queen and Worthy Mary Newhirter (Culver Chapter #816 O.E.S.) ask that we pass along their thanks to SK's Angold, Hager, Huff and Stelianou for attending with the Commander. And our

thanks to BQ Carol for the donation to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation.

The Zone 11 Annual Pilgrimage was held on Nov. 15, 1980. Our thanks to the Sir Knights of Cyrene for so splendidly taking part, not only in the Order of the Red Cross, which was ours to do, but to the other Orders where help was needed. Thanks to the ones who joined our Commandery and hope to see them often. Many thanks to the Ladies of the Schicker Club for the lovely dinner.

Ahead of us is the Annual Christmas Toast on Dec. 12, 1980. Cyrene will host the Knights and Ladies from Monroe Commandery this year. Following the toast in Cathedral Hall at 8:00 p.m. refreshments will be served in the 3rd floor dining room. We hope to see many Knights and Ladies from both Commanderies at the celebration of the Christ Child's Birth.

Our 2nd conclave in December would fall the day after Christmas so we will have but one conclave this month.

In January, we start the program of closing the Temple the latter half of Jan., Feb., and March. Our Conclave will be as follows: January 9th our Annual Conclave; February 13th and March 13th preparation for our Annual Inspection, which will take place on April 10, 1981. On April 10th we will dine with our Ladies prior to our Inspection. April 24th will be the date of the Annual Election of Officers. May 8th will be an open Conclave, with Installation scheduled on May 22, 1981.

You have all by now received your information relative to the Temple Fund Drive. The Commander and Lady Hazel strongly urge you to support Building Today for Masons and Their Families... Tomorrow, fully realizing that Tomorrow isn't that far away!

To one and all from the Commander and Lady Hazel and our members, our warmest wishes for a Joyous and Loving Christmas Holiday and Happy New Year filled with Health, Good Fortune and Growth in Templary!

The Summoned notice and dues notices has been sent to all members of our Commandery. Please comply ASAP. Thanks.

We have no new sickness or deaths to report at this time.

Happy Birthday to those with birthdays in December.

Believe that is all for now except this: "Jesus has walked this Road before me and all I need to do is follow." Very true and now have fun.

Fraternal yours,  
Em. Comm. Horace F. Denton  
S.K. R.E. Huff, Reporter, PC.



## Ladies Organization NEWS

### FIDELITY TRIANGLE

Nov. 8 - The new Beloved Queen, Carol Mewhirter, and her staff of officers, were installed in a lovely ceremony in Cathedral Hall, by Jr. Deputy Mrs. Helen Paget.

The installing Marshalls were past Queen Diane Rhodes and Jr. Past Queen Wanda Watson, and the installing Chaplain was Wendy DuBois.

The organist was W: Martin Reitz, and the soloist was Past Queen Eileen Quenell, who sang two solos; "You will never walk along" and "The Impossible Dream."

The color guard was, Gordon Struck and Lawrence Geith, both past commanders of the James A. Hard Post of the Masonic War Veterans.

Members of Rochester DeMolay and Genesee Valley DeMolay, presented the "Flower Talk Degree." Robert McDermott was the narrator.

The Honor Guard was composed of members of Fidelity Triangle, Rochester DeMolay, Genesee Valley DeMolay and Cyrene Commandery.

Guests included: R:W: Frank Arnold D.D.G.M.; R:W: George Stear D.D.G.M.; R:W: Gladys Bonnington; D.D. Grand Matron; W: Lawrence Geith, Master of Genesee Falls Lodge; W: Kenneth Rhodes, Master of Fame Lodge; R:W: Edward Woods, Assoc. Grand Sentinel; W: Herbert Hirsch, the Master of Flower City Lodge; R:W: William Zufall, Executive Director of the Masonic Service Bureau; W: Betty Bancroft, Matron of Corinthian Chapter; W: Mary Mewhirter & W: Robert Mewhirter, Matron & Patron of Culver Chapter; W: Richard Miller, Sr. Advisor; Debbie Fisher, Jr. Advisor; W: Flora Arthus, Jr. Deputy of Lilac Triangle; Jean Bandemer, Belover Queen of Lilac Triangle; Robert McDermott, D.R.M.C. Seel section DeMolay; Ray Beardsley, Master Councilor of G.V.C. DeMolay; Past Queens, Eileen Quenell, Diane Rhodes, Karolann Midgley, Elaine Wilbert, Amy Houston, Dolores Hill, and delegations from Lockport Triangle & Lilac Triangle.

A reception in Star dining room followed the ceremonies.



Fidelity Triangle New Line Officers. Judy Walker, Chaplain; Karen Hutchinson, Jr. Lady in Waiting; Carol Mewhirter, Beloved Queen; Janet Wilson, Sr. Lady in Waiting; and Cheryl Bancroft, Guardian.



R:W: Frank Arnold, D.D.G.M., receives check for \$200.00 for the Masonic Brotherhood Fund, from Beloved Queen Wanda Watson.



R:W: William Zufall, receives check for \$186.00 for the Masonic Service Bureau and \$50.00 for the Monroe Masonic News, from Beloved Queen Wanda Watson.

### LILAC TRIANGLE

On November 1, 1980, at the Fairport Masonic Temple, Lilac Triangle 121 held their Public Installation of Officers. Beloved Queen Mary Lou retired her office to her successor, Jean Bandemer.

Mary Lou's charities for her term are the Rose E. Shearer Scholarship Fund, The Rochester Masonic Bureau and the School of the Holy Childhood (a school for mentally retarded children).

After B.Q. Mary Lou retired, the girls were then installed into their respective offices which are as follows: Beloved Queen, Jean Bandemer; Sr. Lady-in-Waiting, Peggy Cornell; Jr. Lady-in-Waiting, Karen Gunkel; Guardian, Judy Fosdick; Chaplain, Judy McCullough; Marshall, Karen Cornell; Ass't Marshall, Diane Barrett; Treasurer, Betsy Cook; Corresponding Sect., Lora Smith; Recording Sect., Jill Santuccio; Financial Sect., Sue Cook; Flag Bearer, PBQ Denise Hedges; Standard Bearer, PBQ Kathy McCullough; Trustee, JPBQ Mary Lou Cornell; Historian, PBQ Sandy Arthur; Guide, PBQ Laurie Arthur; Honary Musician, Mrs. Helen Ormsbee; Press Secretary, PBQ Pat McCullough.

BQ Jean had the Past Queen's club as her honor guard. The colored gowns of the past queen's sett off Jean's entrance to become Beloved Queen.

BQ Jean's colors for her term are blue and yellow, her flower is the Yellow Rose and her theme is "Faith and Friendship walk hand in hand."

We would like to congratulate BQ Jean and her officers on a very nice installation, and wish them the best of luck during the term.

The line officers and supervisor's meeting was held on Nov. 16th at the Bandemer's home. It was at this meeting that term plans were discussed and the dates were set.

Nov. 24th was the first meeting for the term. Everything went smoothly and the meeting was really nice.

Lilac Triangle also visited Fidelity Triangle and Agness Poss' Triangles Installations. We would like to congratulate them both on fine installation and wish them the best of luck during their terms.



From left to right: B.Q. Jean and her line officers; Chaplain, Judy McCullough; Sr. Lady, Peggy Cornell; Beloved Queen, Jean Bandemer; Jr. Lady, Karen Gunkel; Guardian, Judy Fosdick.



B.Q. Mary Lou handing Mrs. Mann (State Director of Triangle) a check for the Rose E. Shearer Scholarship Fund.

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