

## RTOS CONCERT TO BENEFIT TEMPLE

### ORGAN SOCIETY PRESENTS DENNIS JAMES APRIL 19

On Saturday evening, April 19, the Temple Civic Center will be the beneficiary of a special concert, sponsored by a long-time tenant and friend, the Rochester Theater Organ Society. On that date, the RTOS, in an effort to assist the complex out of its financial troubles, will present the renowned theatre organist, Dennis James, in a special event. All proceeds, after expenses, will be turned over to the TCC.

The RTOS has been associated with the Auditorium Theatre over 14 years in efforts to keep theatre organ music alive in the area. Prior to 1966, the fledgling Society of fewer than 150 members, held occasional Sunday morning concerts at the RKO Palace Theatre.

In early March 1965, it was announced that the Palace would be razed, the site to become an apartment-hotel complex. That meant that the Wurlitzer organ within would be without a home, and RTOS out of business. Unless...

Within two weeks, a special membership meeting was held and all agreed that efforts must be initiated to save the organ. A monetary goal was set at \$10,000, and capital was acquired in

#### R.:W.:WILLIAM DWORKIN D.D.G.M. FIRST MONROE DISTRICT



The subject of history has always been of special interest to me; and when I came into Masonry, a goodly number of years ago, it provided a fascinating field to study.

Down through the years, our fraternity has been blessed with an abundance of talent. In each generation, dedicated scholars have probed and researched every conceivable aspect of Masonic lore. Alas, there have also been authors who have brought out some of the wildest and most outrageous stories, passing them off as absolute fact. Being from Missouri, I accept only that which can be backed up by recorded facts. This limits most conjecture, putting much of it out of bounds.

The first shining light in the long tunnel of Masonic history, is obviously the Regius Manuscript; but upon close examination, it too has flaws. This manuscript lay in British libraries for many generations, being listed in the catalogues of the King's Library as a "Poem of Moral Duties". Then in 1839 a scholar, J. O. Halliwell-Phillips, a non-Mason, studied its contents, and noting its Masonic character, translated and published in 1840 his treatise, claiming it to be the true gospel of the Masonic Creed. First, let us consider some scholarly opinions of unquestioned authority. Scholars estimate the date of this manuscript to be about 1390, based upon the style of the written characters, the ancient English wording, the other extraneous features; (it has not, as yet, been tested by carbon dating). It consists of 794 lines expressing in ancient rhyme, the "Legends and Charges" of one of the Gothic Constitutions, which the author, believed to be a priest-poet, copied down into his own crude verse. While it does contain certain moral rules governing the lives and work of operative Masons and their journeymen Craftsmen (apprentices), it also has a number of non-Masonic items, such as ordinances relating to assemblies, the legend of the Four Crowned Martyrs (Quator Coronati), which was of Germanic origin and not British. There were also rules for behavior in church, as well as general deportment and etiquette.

Even after this revelation was published, it was 29 years before English Masons realized the significance of this find, and began to publish books referring to it. Then, in quick succession, other discoveries began to appear. The "Mathew Cooke" manuscript, named after the translator who published in 1861 his version; is judged by paleographers to date from the early 15th century. It is, apparently, more Masonic in orientation, containing 9 charges for the Master, and 9 for the Craftsman. Another manuscript found in the British Museum, was actually called the "Grand Lodge M.S." and dated 1583.

There followed a surge in English Masonic Literature, most of which reflected individual theories, some quite fanciful. One school of thought held that the original Grand Lodge of England was but a revival of a similar prior body, which had fallen into decay. All without written proof.

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several ways. Concerts were held at the Palace in the time remaining before demolition. A public subscription of \$1 shares of "musical nostalgia", and sale of an illustrated book about the Palace Theatre were held. Proceeds of bake and cookie sales, and a recording by Don Scott were added to the fund. Displays, plus publicity in all the media acquainted the public with the goals of RTOS. The fund-raising activities proved successful for purchase of the organ and storing it.

Meanwhile, efforts of other Society members, led by David Cordy and Daniel Suter, were directed toward finding a new home for the Wurlitzer. The Temple Civic Center became receptive and an agreement was approved whereby the RTOS removed the concert organ in the Auditorium and replaced it with the ex-Palace Wurlitzer. All costs were borne by the Society with the proviso that RTOS could hold monthly concerts from September thru May. The organ would be maintained by the Society, which would share the proceeds of special-event concerts with the TCC.

In the 13 years in which the 4-manual, 22-rank Wurlitzer has been the focal point of RTOS activities, the very

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#### MASONIC CONCERT

Sunday, Mar. 9, the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra will present a concert of Masonic music by W.A. Mozart as part of their continuing mini-Mozart festival. All selections played at the 2 P.M. concert will be music written by Mozart specifically for Masonic Lodge work. Discounted tickets are available at the Masonic Service Bureau, or call 473-4351 for details.

#### R.:W.:RAY BEARDSLEY D.D.G.M. SECOND MONROE DISTRICT



Recently I was approached by some of the Masters with the idea of holding a Euchre Tournament between the First and Second Monore Districts. Upon consulting with my colleague from the First Monroe, we agreed that this would be an excellent means of promoting greater fellowship throughout our Lodges. Therefore, the Masters and Wardens have already laid plans for such an event, and you will be hearing more about it very soon. Furthermore, I trust that the Euchre sharks in the Second Monore will be victorious in what may be the initiation of an annual event.

Not very long ago, someone remarked to me that if a Brother is an inactive Mason and does not attend his lodge or any of its functions, he can very easily get the impression, from articles he may read or notices received in the mail, that the principle function of Masonry is to raise money for various funds or programs. Today we have the Rochester Temple situation, the Think Big and Build Drive, the Brotherhood Fund as well as any fund drives which the individual lodges may be promoting. In thinking about this, I can readily see how a Mason who does not actively attend or support his lodge can receive this impression, and this is unfortunate.

One of the great tenets of Masonry, actually a principle which has been part of the firm foundation of Masonry from its earliest origins, is the fellowship that is offered, received and returned with a lodge among the Brethren during its convocation, affairs, dinners, etc. If you have failed to attend your lodge and become relatively inactive in any lodge function, then you cannot realize the beauties of our time-honored institution or know and feel this brotherly fellowship and, thus, will only observe some of these outward and more external examples of Masonic activity as nothing but money-raising schemes. I would urge you, my Brothers, who have not recently participated in your lodge fellowship, to do so, for only then can you realize that these programs are, in reality, the visible expression throughout our communities and the world of our Masonic principles and practices regarding fellowship and brotherhood.

Masonry is supported by the three great pillars of wisdom, strength and beauty. May each of us have the wisdom to support our great fraternal fellowship, the strength to uphold and prove the principles to which we obligated ourselves and may we exhibit the beauty of these principles in our daily lives and by recognizing and meeting not only our own needs, but those of our Brothers. At some time each of us must stand before the Grand Inspector of all and answer as to how well he has polished that rough ashlar, which he presented to us when he gave us life, into a perfect ashlar. How will you answer?

Fraternally,  
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## LET'S GO VISITING

- 3 - Corinthian Temple - Speaker
- 4 - Penfield Union - Move Up Night
- 4 - Charlotte - Speaker
- 4 - Yonondio - 2nd Deg.
- 5 - Shrine - Master Mason Night
- 6 - Webster - Spec. Program, Dinner
- 6 - Northfield - Shrine Night, Speaker
- 7 - Charlotte - Fish Fry
- 8 - Etolian - Ladies Night
- 8 - Northfield - Bowling Party
- 8 - Clio - Ladies Night
- 9 - Visit Canandaigua VA
- 9 - Masonic Concert at Eastman
- 10 - Rochester - 3rd Deg. Practice
- 10 - Etolian - Lantern Lecture
- 10 - Wakan - Radar Demo.
- 11 - Henrietta - SW Night
- 11 - Fame - Speaker
- 11 - Flower City - 1st Deg.
- 11 - Each Roch. - Tureen Dinner, Travelogue
- 12 - Ancient Craft - Speaker
- 12 - Germania - 1st Deg.
- 12 - Oatka - 2nd Deg. Din.
- 13 - Zetland - Spag. Dinner
- 13 - Genesee Falls - Speaker
- 13-16 - Grotto - Home Show
- 14 - S. of L.A. - Fairport
- 14 - Hubbard - Bowling Party
- 15 - Rochester - Dinner at Redmen's Club
- 17 - Valley & Robertson - St. Pat's Dinner
- 18 - Penfield Union - Past Master's Night, Dinner
- 18 - Clio - Pot Luck Supper
- 18 - Yonondio - 2nd Deg.
- 18 - Charlotte - Past Masters & Old Timer Night
- 19 - Union Star - 1st Deg.
- 19 - Grotto - Master Mason Night
- 20 - Webster - 2nd Deg.
- 20 - Northfield - 2nd Deg.
- 21 - S. of Ritual - Penfield
- 21 - Hubbard - 1st Deg.
- 21 - Monroe Commandery - Inspection
- 22 - Charlotte - Bowling Party
- 22-23 - NYS Bowling Tourn.
- 24 - Etolian - 2nd Deg.
- 25 - Henrietta - 2nd Deg.
- 25 - Fame - 2nd Deg., Din.
- 25 - Flower City - 2nd Deg.
- 25 - East Roch. - 3rd Deg.
- 26 - Churchville - 3rd Deg.
- 26 - Germania - Finance Discussion
- 27 - Genesee Falls - 3rd Deg.
- 29 - Germania - Ladies Night
- 29-30 - NYS Bowling Tourn.
- 31 - Churchville/Clio/Etolian - Euchre. Tourn.



## 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.

**Question:** (from Buffalo) In your book "Dear Brother Herman," you mentioned a new York Rite body parallel to the Commandery, called "Order of Juda Maccabeus." Several of us are interested. Will you tell us more about it?

**Answer:** I am sorry to disappoint you.

As you know, York Rite Masonry consists of three independent bodies: Chapters of Royal Arch. under Grand Chapters, a number of them loosely combined in a General Grand Chapter; councils of Royal and Select Masters under Grand Councils some loosely connected in a General Grand council; and Commanderies, Knights Templar under Grand Commanderies, but all under a Grand Encampment, similar to the Supreme Council in Scottish Rite Masonry.

For some time there was discussion about combining the three bodies under the Grand Encampment. Since the Commandery is definitely Christian, a parallel body was suggested which shall be universal and non-sectarian, consistent with Masonic principles. As a result we prepared a ritual for two degrees and organized Genesee Valley Assemblage No. 1. In due course Solomon Assemblage No. 2 was organized on Long Island. But try as we might, we could not attract the non-Christians as we hoped. The big stumbling block was that as members of the Order of Judas Maccabeus, they would not be eligible to petition the Shrine. Our endeavor to obtain recognition from the Grand Lodge of New York as a regular Masonic body was unsuccessful.

After seven years of virtually fruitless effort, Genesee Valley Assemblage No. 1 voted this month to suspend activity.

**Question:** A brother who is a member of a lodge in New York has attended with me a number of Masonic affairs including the Grand Lodge of New Jersey; but I have never sat with him in Blue Lodge. Is it permissible for me to vouch for him?

**Answer:** Masonic law in New York and doubtless in New Jersey, is very explicit about it: "Sitting in a Lodge with a brother... is acceptable for attendance at a Masonic Lodge." Otherwise, the visitor must undergo an examination.

You state that you sat with the brother at the New Jersey Grand Lodge. If it was at a Communication of the Grand Lodge which was restricted to Master Masons and tiled, in my opinion this would be evidence of his Masonic regularity and enable you to vouch for him.

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## CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

by Rev. William H. McKee

We received a very useful Christmas present which makes it possible to cook cereal during the night or even a whole meal in daylight hours. Read a little story only the other day of a woman who had collected all the items for an excellent stew and came home expecting to enjoy dinner in a very brief time. She had, however, forgotten to plug in.

The need for connecting - of plugging in, is very necessary in life - not only for the current to cook a meal efficiently and thoroughly, but also in many other fields. We need to make a connection to talk to our friends and relatives especially if they reside in far off places. An excellent recent book entitled *Horowitz and Mrs. Washington* by Henry Deuker points out how Horowitz's daughter residing in California was able to call her father in New York on her husbands phone with a special number which did not cost the usual high toll.

Our need is to be connected with our Maker and we do not need to wait for special low rates or even special needs or seasons. Neither do we have to use special language or "tongues".

Too often we find ourselves enduring difficulties which might have been avoided if we had not pulled the plug too soon or had neglected to make the connection at the time. There is the story of the two Irishmen whose paths crossed one morning. One was carrying a large heavy oak table. "Are you moving?" O'Toole asked O'Brien. The answer was "Today is my wife's birthday and I plan to buy a fine table cloth and want it to be the right size."

The world is full of people who strive to solve their problems like O'Brien - the hard way. There is the better way which has been available since the dawn of time - to turn to our Creator and seek the needed direction available to all mankind from the very beginning - the creator.

Now is the accepted time. Plug in today and never cease again. God's line is even more available than the free "800" one.



## GROTTO

As I stated in the last issue I would give more details about the January 26 Grotto Installation of Officers. I invited two friends of mine to attend and their remarks were that it was a very impressive ceremony. The Empire State Grotto Officers did a fine job of installing. The band did a fine job. The Grotto units and Caldron also helped to make this a very memorable night. The reception and dance that followed was enjoyed by all. It is hoped that the 1980 Monarch and his officers will have a successful year and with the support of the members I am sure they will.

Speaking of support - Our Grotto is a sponsor of the Home Show, March 13, 14, 15, and 16, and they will need prophets to help work the shows. For more information call Ernie Wilson, Secretary at the Grotto Office.

March 19 is Master Mason nite. I invite each prophet to bring a Master Mason with him and let us fill up a lot of empty seats like it was on installation night.

I will report in the next issue on the Caldron Birthday Party and the Band Concert at the County Home. Will also report on the February 20 dinner meeting. A reminder, Prophets, April Grotto Meeting April 9. This writer urges all the members of the Grotto Units and the Caldron to help and support them, in their many endeavors.

For the Bowlers - The Masonic Tournament is approaching fast. It will be held for four weekends, March 22, 23-29, 30; April 12, 13-19, 20 at Clover Lanes.

In closing, I hope all the 1980 Masters and Officers, all the presiding officers of all the concordant bodies, men and women organizations alike, have a rewarding and successful year. With your help, we will keep Masonry, Fraternalism and Good Fellowship alive and growing.

Respectively,  
Fred Ambeau,  
Publicity

## 21st ANNUAL MASONIC GRAND BALL

— APRIL 19, 1980 —

Cocktails 6:30 P.M.

Arena's Party House

Dinner 7:30 P.M.

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## Ladies NEWS



Members, Supervisors, Daddies, and Friends of Lilac Triangle #121.



Honor to Youth Groups; from left to right - Denise Hedges, Beloved Queen, Lilac Triangle; Bob McDermott, Master Counselor, Genesee Valley Chapter, Order of DeMolay; Karol Midgley, Beloved Queen, Fidelity Triangle.



The Officers of Fidelity Triangle

### FIDELITY TRIANGLE

Jan. 19 - Regular meeting with discussion of plans for coming events. Jan. 26 - Irondequoit Chapter #572 O.E.S., held a reception to honor their member, R.:W.: Joseph Dimino, who is present and past Patron and past Master of Wakan Lodge #1054.

A degree team of ten girls from Fidelity Triangle participated in the ceremonies and presented a special degree, entitled, "This is your life in Triangle" to honor R.:W.: Joe Dimino, who has been a Triangle Dad for eleven years. Some of the recalled events were amusing, but others were about the many nice things that Dad Dimino has done for Triangle.

Feb. 9 - Regular meeting and "Friendship Night" with a special Friendship Degree and program for our guests. The attendance was excellent and included delegations from Lilac Triangle, Rochester DeMolay and Genesee Valley DeMolay. The meeting was followed by a Penny Carnival with prizes, and a social hour with refreshments.

### TERM PLANS

Mar. 8 - Our semi-annual "Queen's Term Dinner" at 6:00 P.M. in the second floor dining room followed by an open meeting at 7:30 P.M. Mar. 20-21-22 - Fidelity Triangle will have a booth at the Charity Bazaar in Greece Town Mall.

Mar. 22 - Regular meeting with election of officers 8:00 P.M.

### LILAC TRIANGLE

As anticipated, Lilac Triangle #121 is off to a fantastic start into the year 1980. January 14th found us having an open meeting honoring other youth groups. Also present at the meeting were prospective members. The meeting went very well and I'm sure that all who attended had an enjoyable evening.

On January 26th, we had a public dinner. The menu included ham, oven brown potatoes, peas and carrots, and tossed salad with ice cream for dessert. The dinner was quite a success and all that were there said they would come again. We'll keep you posted as to when we may have another one.

January 28th was the date of a regular meeting. Beloved Queen Denise had a degree for the Supervisors and Daddies. It was a cute degree and just a little reminder to let the Supervisors and Daddies know how much they mean to us.

Lilac's next task is to organize a banquet in honor of Lilac's 30th Birthday. A group of girls got together at the home of the Beloved Queen on February 3 to start making plans. Anyone who is a member, past Junior Deputy or Charter Member please call me, Linda Gurney at 381-1258. Also, if you know of someone that is one of the above mentioned, please let us know that too. We will be working very hard to contact as many of the people involved as we can.

The date if the party is set for April 19, 1980.

Fidelity Triangle invited us to their Friendship Night on Saturday, February 9th. Seven of our members attended and had a very nice evening. Fidelity also had a Penny Carnival after their meeting.

February 10th was our monthly visit to Canandaigua Veteran's Hospital. We played Bingo with the men and served them cookies and ice cream. I know they like to have us just as much as we enjoy going.

We have a regular meeting on February 11th. Beloved Queen Denise had a nice degree in honor of Abraham Lincoln and George Washington's birthdays. The Junior-Lady-in-Waiting also requested that we bring a baby picture of ourself so that next meeting we can try to identify each other when we were small. It should be a lot of fun.

### FROM THE PRESS SECRETARY'S DESK TO THE DEPUTY STATE

Dear Mrs. Koch,

I would like to thank you for your letter congratulating me on a fine job of reporting. I enjoy doing it and I'm glad to see that it is a joy for others to read my articles. I feel that it is important for other Triangles to know what is going on in our District. It's also nice to know that the Monroe Masonic News reaches states outside of New York. Thanks again for the support!

Sincerely,  
Linda A. Gurney  
Press Secretary

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## LODGE news and views

**FRANK L. SIMES LODGE  
No. 990  
2nd Tuesday**

Dear Brethren:

I am very pleased with the line of officers that we have this year. It seems as Master of a lodge you are always needing someone to do one thing or another, and after completing two meetings I'm happy to say that everyone has been very helpful. George Horning has agreed to continue as our representative to the Interlodge Fellowship committee, Gary Burke with the Brotherhood Fund, and Dick Snyder with the Think Big and Build Fund. Knowing that they will continue takes quite a burden off me.

By the time this article is printed we will have already had our first degree. I know by the enthusiasm of the officers that it will be successful. I want to thank Dick and Rita Snyder for putting on the German Meal. I would also like to thank the ladies that helped them in the kitchen.

As most of you know, in May I will be representing our lodge at Grand Lodge in New York City. It is customary to take something down there to deposit in our folder as a reminder of the year. I would appreciate any suggestions that anyone might have concerning what I should take.

I mentioned in lodge that this year we will be having a lecture on the Morgan incident and how it has

affected Masonry. Wor. Bro. Bill Zufall has agreed to do this for us on June 10th. We are also going to have a history of our lodge presented May 13th. We're hoping these programs and others like them might bring out some of you brothers that we haven't seen in a while.

Wor. Bro. Glenn Stahl would like to extend his thanks to all who gave up their time to work with him at the circus.

I would like to close by thanking you all again for the privilege of being your master for 1980.

Faternally,  
Joe Bishop  
Master

### SICKNESS & DISTRESS

It was reported that Wor. Bro. Harry Ketchum is now in the Park Ridge Nursing Home at 1555 Long Pond Road. I'm sure he would appreciate visitors from the lodge he was so active in for many years.

It was also reported that Roe McAuley, wife of our departed brother Ron McAuley was at home recovering from an operation.

### TRESTLEBOARD

Mar. 4 - Officer's Meeting (rehearsal 2nd degree)  
Mar. 11 - Regular Meeting (lunch).  
Mar. 18 - Fellowcraft Club (Mike Robinson's House, 27 Belinda Cres., Fairport, Phone 223-8198).  
Mar. 25 - Meeting - 2nd degree (tux).  
Apr. 1 - Officer's Meeting (3rd degree rehearsal)

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**CLIO LODGE**

No. 779

1st and 3rd Tuesdays

Brethren of Clio:

Ladies Night is coming up soon! March 8, 1980, at the Lodge on the Green. There is still time to contact Bro. Richard Barnes at 392-9279 for reservations. We are very fortunate to be able to take our wives out for an evening of dancing, flowers, food and fellowship for about half what it costs for a meal alone in a good restaurant. Having recently taken my wife out for a meal in a Rochester restaurant, I can attest to that fact. I spent more than twice what Ladies Night will cost and there was no dance band!

Thanks from the East to Bros. James McAtee, Thomas Burger, Richard Barnes, Kevin Kimble and Alan Mercer for their excellent work in the Rusty Mason Degree. This evening and the work of W.: Bob Hoover from Christopher G. Fox Lodge #1021 was excellent and very enjoyable.

Trestleboard Change: The York Rite Nite scheduled for March 18 has been moved to April 1, 1980. Therefore, March 18 will be Pot Luck Supper Night. The idea here is to have a free dinner which can be accomplished in a tureen fashion. Being Pot Luck, we are not assigning any particular dishes to anyone. Everyone bring a dish to pass (whatever you like) for a 6:30 P.M. meal time and we'll see what happens!

Euchre Players - Not the difference in the March 31 tournament. It will be held at Churchville Lodge because they have the Plaque. Whichever Lodge wins will take the Plaque with them that night and the next tournament will be held at that Lodge. it could be Clio - if enough players show up at Churchville. Good Luck Brothers!

Fraternally  
W.: D.W.W.

**OATKA LODGE**

No. 759

2nd and 4th Wednesdays

Brethren,

Congratulations to Bro. Robert Kemp, for putting on the first degree and to all who participated in assisting him.

There was a dinner preceding the degree. There was 41 attending. A good time was had by all. I would like to thank all of the wives of the brothers, because they are the ones who made this occasion a success.

There will be a second degree on March 12th. Bro. Robert Wright will be in the east.

There will be a dinner preceding the degree, the wives are welcome to attend the dinner.

We are all happy to here that Bro. Charles Webb is home from the hospital. We all wish you well Charlie, and hope to see you in lodge soon.

Bro. Don Southworth has been released from the Veterans Hospital in Canandaigua. At this present time we do not have an address on Don. If anyone knows of Bro. Don Southworth's address, please notify us at lodge.

There has been a change on the meeting night of fellowcraft. It has been changed from the 1st Wednesday of the month to the 3rd Wednesday of the month. The next meeting will be held on the 20th. of Feb., and in March it will be held on the 19th. There were 12 Brothers at the last fellowcraft meeting. We hope to have as many or more at our next meeting.

Fraternally,  
John Pascucci  
Master 1980

**TRESTLEBOARD**

Mar. 12 - the 2nd Degree - Dinner 6:30

Mar. 19 - Fellowcraft 7:30

Mar. 26 - Regular Meeting

**W.C. HUBBARD LODGE**

No. 964

3rd Friday

The Fellowcraft Club is pleased to announce that Wor. Bro. Robert Helmes has made arrangements at the Lyons Den on Ridge Road West, the site of previous dinners and bowling parties, for Friday, March 14, 1980 for a night of bowling and dinner.

The price will be \$8.50 each and will include dinner, bowling and trophies. The choice of meat will be Strip Steak or Veal Parmigiana. The dinner will be at 8:00 P.M. and the bowling starts at 10:00 P.M. Friends, relatives, and other Masons are cordially invited. Please make your reservations by March 10, 1980 with Wor. Bro. Bob Helmes, Wor. Bro. Ray Jay, or Wor. Bro. Sal Spano.

The Euchre Tournament held on February 2, 1980 for Masons, relatives, and friends under the direction of Wor. Bill Buckman was a huge success. Wor. Bro. Gordie Oakes and D. S. A. Red Bartlett assisted from our lodge and the reason for the shortage of refreshments was because they had reservations for 40 people and 126 attended. Wor. Bro. Bill Buckman is to be congratulated on the fine job he and his committee did and they promise the Golf Tournament will be just as good in the Spring, which a lot of us are looking forward to.

R. W. Bro. Norm Jermyn is recovering very well after his hernia operation and expects to go back to work about March 3rd. The best of everything Norm.

Please remember the Think Big & Build and the Brotherhood Fund need all the help you can give them.

I am going to list the dates for lodge again because there seems to be some confusion among the brothers.

Fraternally,  
Richard G. Ludeke, Master  
**TRESTLEBOARD**

Mar. 14 - Fellowcraft Club

Bowling Party - Dinner 8 P.M.

Mar. 21 - 1st Degree - S. W.

Arnold Frear in the East,

Dinner 7:30 P.M.

Apr. 11 - Fellowcraft Club

Night at the Races

Apr. 18 - 2nd Degree - J. W.

Joseph Orians in the East,

Dinner 6:30 P.M.

May 16 - Reunion Night,

Dinner 6:30 P.M.

June 6 - 3rd Degree - Past

Master's Degree Team,

Dinner 6:30 P.M.

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**EAST ROCHESTER LODGE**

No. 1020

2nd and 4th Tuesdays

Brethren,

First, I would like to say, the Officers and brothers who put on the First Degree should be commended for their fine work. The Second should be past history when you read this article but I am sure it will be equally as superb. The Third will be held on March 25th, with the 1980 Masters group portraying the second section. Let's continue the fine turnout at these events.

The Brotherhood Fund so far stands at forty seven (47) contributors for \$495.00. Let's give, Brethren, the support of the Utica Home and Research Lab should be a must for every Mason in New York State. It is a fine home, of the highest quality and has contributed so much to the health, happiness and well being of many Masons and family. The Research lab there in Utica has gained the respect of the medical society throughout the world for its work. Let us give, Brothers, "Even a Buck Will Do".

Let us not forget our meeting of March 11th. We are going to have a Tureen Dinner at 6:30. I have a fine movie to entertain the ladies and friends while we conduct our meeting, after which Merle Rogers and his wife Jane will present their travelogue of a recent trip to the Middle East. I cordially invite all Masons, family and friends, Star and the Triangle. Just bring a dish to pass and your own table setting.

I would like to devote some of my article each month to the Brethren who live out of New York State. The only thing I need is a short note or letter from you brethren letting us know what is happening. You fellows move and we never hear from you again. I am going to put some of you on the spot by naming you and hope you write to us. How about Lee Arcurie, Bob Back (when I was raised, Br. Bob invited us to his bowling alley here in East Rochester for a lunch), Stan Wright (Past Master), Al Patterson, Zehnder Whitenight (Past Master), William Blood, John Fetter, John Henrie (Met John when he had a heart attack here in Rochester), Sherman Reed, Harry Siefert (brother of the great guy Charlie), this is to just name a few. All of you Brethren out there are important to the Lodge, so how about it, let us hear from you for a change.

Fraternally,  
Gordon L. Hoag  
Master

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

Mar. 11 - Tureen Dinner and Travelogue  
Mar. 25 - Third Degree

**YONNONDIO LODGE**

No. 163

1st and 3rd Tuesdays



Dear Brethren,

Masonry - what is it? Is it like the book says it is? Do we work at it? Is it a comfortable feeling riding along on our shoulders, or is it a little guilty feeling at times, knowing we did not do all we should have or could have to help someone. Was it easier to say, "I don't know", rather than, "Yes, I will help", or "I will be there".

I hope it is that good comfortable feeling knowing we did try to help or assist; knowing we did bid a person take that step up rather than descend to a lower level.

Do we sometimes feel a person or group has done us an injustice? Rather than keep it inside, why not bring it out into the light and look at it. I am sure it could be done and by doing so it might not be all that earth shattering.

Why am I asking these questions? If each of us looks inside himself, we just might find what Masonry, Brotherhood, and Fellowship really mean to us, thereby making each of us more readily willing to say, "Yes, I will help", to stand up and be counted, to call that friend and say, "I will pick you up. Let's go to Lodge together" to re-establish that commitment to Masonry we once felt.

Since we did not have an article in the February Masonic News, I will try to catch you up-to-date. We had a beautiful public installation with over 200 people attending. Both 1st degrees in February went off exceptionally well with S.W. Carl Crope in the East. We are all awaiting the debut of our J.W. Norm Mundt to confer both 2nd degrees. Norm was also elected Chairman of the 1982 Masters. The best in both endeavors, Norm.

To the very near future, March is a full month. At both meetings we will be conferring the 2nd degree. Please keep Saturday, April 12, 1980, open - a very big event is in the making, the degree of Master Mason for 10 brothers.

There will be an exceptional dinner preceding the degree. All officers have reservation tickets for this special event. It would be very nice to have 200 people in Gothic Hall for the second time this year. Why not come and be a part of it all. Join the new look of the Lodge and officers.

Fraternally,  
W.: Don Carlile,  
Master



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**WAKAN LODGE**

No. 1054

2nd and 4th Mondays

Our spaghetti and meatball dinner at our communication 11 February was expertly prepared by Wor. Bro. Joseph Dimino. Special thanks is due him and Wor. Bro. Eugene Brown for his assistance in the galley and the many ladies who assisted in the preparations and attended; especially to J. W. Jim Fischette and his wife, Sharon. Wor. Bro. Don Brugger received kudos for replacing Len DuBois who was unable to attend his duties as S.W., and also furnished the equipment for the presentation of the Travel Night presided over by Brother Dick Pringle, which was thoroughly enjoyed by the Brothers and their ladies.

The work of the Lodge is proceeding apace and the First Degree will be February 25th. Wor. Bro. John Lawrence, in the absence of Len DuBois, will be in the East. The ladies are invited again to our Radar Demonstration by the Irondequoit Police Department following our communication on March 10th.

We are sorry that our Junior Master of Ceremony and Junior Steward have been recently indisposed.

Fraternally,  
J. Webb L. Sheehy,  
Master

**NEWS & VIEWS**

Most important thing for this month - a happy birthday last month to W: John Rees. We were given strict instructions not to forget this very important date. We have been told that our Senior Warden Bro. Len DuBois took a fast trip to Florida last month, hope that you managed to catch some good weather while you were there Len.

We understand that Bro. John Kennedy had a severe injury to his arm a couple of months ago but that he is progressing well now, glad to hear it John.

W: Bro. Robert Pettit and his wife Belva are off this month to catch a few days in the sun in Florida, the only catch is that your writer has to get up VERY early one of these mornings to get them to the airport!!!

Understand that Bro. Sal Minni is now home following heart surgery and is doing well.

Not too much news this month brethren so may we

**WEBSTER LODGE**

No. 538

1st and 3rd Thursdays

Brethren:

I want to congratulate the Brothers on their interest and participation in the Brotherhood Fund this year. With all the fund drives that are around these days, everyone has to set their own priorities in regard to who gets their charity dollars. Thankfully, more of you are realizing the need and worthiness of OUR Masonic Home in Utica. At the latest count, 119 contributions had been received by Chuck Gremmels, our Brotherhood Fund Chairman. This is 30.5% of our membership. This is our best participation record in several years but we can still do better. Both Chuck and I are looking for 100% participation. No dollar goal has been set. We just want everyone to give. If you haven't sent in your contribution yet, please do so now, even if it is one dollar. If everyone gives a little, even a dollar, we can help to put the 1980 Drive over the top.

While you're at it, send something along for the Think Big and Build Campaign. That needs our support as well. Without these funds to make the needed improvements to the facilities at The Home, the State could, and will, shut it down. Support both of these worthy fund drives. They need YOU.

The meeting on March 6th promises to be a good one. This will be your chance to show the Ladies a good time and to support DeMolay at the same time. It will also be an excellent opportunity to acquaint your friends with Masonry. Genesee Valley Chapter will put on a spaghetti dinner for \$4.00 a person. Following dinner, a SPECIAL program will entertain our Ladies and guests while we have a very short meeting. G.V.C. will then put on a short program for all to be followed by a Wine Tasting Party with a different flavor. We have all had the opportunity to become educated on the best New York State and domestic wines. NOW is the chance to learn something about foreign vintages and to savor some of them as well. This is definitely an opportunity not to be missed. So make reservations for your Lady, your guests and yourself with Bro. Tom Pellett, Jr. (Phone 671-6616).

On March 20th, we will be

Swanton, 1/9/80; Roy Sanger, 1/15/80; Ward Tinkelpaugh, 1/18/80; and Frank Lucas, 2/1/80. On the happier note, I am glad to report that Wor. Vern Collier is home after a shoulder operation. He will be confined to the house for several more weeks and I am sure that he would welcome visitors.

Fraternally,  
Phil King,  
Master

**NORTHFIELD LODGE**

No. 426

1st and 3rd

Thursdays

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Brethren:

Northfield has started the New Year with wonderful guest speakers. If you were not in attendance for the last meetings, you missed the presentation by W.: Charles Walker of Craftsman Lodge on January 17, S.W. Arnie Frear of Warren C. Hubbard on February 7 (it was good to see several of my Brother Red Coats in this meeting), R.W: I. Vincent Lloyd, guest speaker at our 10th Annual Communion Breakfast and Reverend Brother George Dolch for the Communion service at the United Church of Pittsford. Thanks to Sister Linda Zahn and W.: Frank S. McConnell for a wonderful breakfast.

A very special Northfield thanks to the Past Master's Supper club for putting on the 1st Degree on February 21. We are looking forward on March 20 when they will put on the 2nd Degree.

**NEWS OF THE BRETHREN**

It was good to see Brother James McGarigle at our February 7th meeting after his long illness and W.: Don Yorks at our Communion Breakfast on February 10th after his operation.

It is with sadness that I report the passing of Brother William VanHall on February 2nd and the father of W.: William Frost on January 29.

"No man is an island entire of itself, any man's death diminishes me, because I am involved in mankind and, therefore, never send to know who the bell tolls; it tolls for thee."

**BROTHERHOOD FUND**

To date, Brother Jim Wicks has reported 62 members, with \$863.00. We must all

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

On January 22, 1980, a meeting of the Temple Association was held. The first action taken was to elect officers as prescribed by the Lodge vote at the Annual Meeting. The results were Chairman - R.W.: R. Beardsley; Secretary - W.: R. Campbell; Treasurer - R.W. H. Kennedy.

The next meeting of the Temple Association will be held on March 25, 1980 at 7:30 PM at the Lodge. The Chairman has extended an invitation to the members of Northfield that would like to attend this meeting.

March 6, 1980, will be Shriner's Night at Northfield with a special guest speaker.

March 8, 1980, is our 2nd Annual Bowling Party. It will be held at Parkview Lanes on Culver Road. Contact S.W. Robert Zahn for reservations. He can be reached at 381-3032.

There will be an officers meeting on March 13, 1980 at the Lodge.

**YOUR LODGE MEETING**

*If a man would be a soldier  
He'd expect of course to fight  
And he couldn't be an author  
If he didn't try to write.*

*So is isn't common logic,  
Doesn't have a real true ring  
That a man to be a Mason  
Does not have to do a thing.*

*If a man would be a hunter,  
He must go among the trees.  
And he couldn't be a sailor  
If he didn't sail the seas.*

*How strange for any brother  
Of our Lodge to think that he  
Could stay away from meetings  
And a worthy brother be.*

Looking forward to seeing you at our next meeting.

Peace, Love & Joy,  
Willis N. (Bud) Pierce,  
Master

**TRESTLEBOARD**

Mar. 6 - Regular Meeting - Shriner's Night - With Guest Speaker

Mar. 8 - Bowling Party - Parkview Lanes, Culver Road - Reservations - S.W. Robert Zahn - 381-3032.

Mar. 13 - Officer's Meeting - 7:30 P.M. at the Lodge

Mar. 20 - 2nd Degree by Past Master Supper Club - Dinner - 6:30 P.M. - Reservations - J.W. David Bishop - 381-6920.

Mar. 25 - Temple Association Meeting - 7:30 P.M. at the Lodge.

Apr. 19 - Grand Ball at Arena's Party House, 1335 East Ridge Road Tickets -



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

Brethren, after a year and a half of meetings, communications with Grand Lodge and various other problems, the consolidation of Frank R. Lawrence Lodge No. 797 and Seneca Lodge No. 920 has been achieved. On February 1, 1980, Most Worshipful William R. Punt, Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York signed a resolution approving the consolidation. It became effective February 19, 1980.

At the regular communication of Seneca No. 920 the consolidation of the two lodges was concluded and the new officers and trustees, as provided for in the by-laws were installed in their stations and places. We shall now go forth as Seneca Lodge No. 797 and become even more successful than in the past.

I am looking forward to our Ladies Night Dinner Dance on May 17th so that we may bring the ladies of both lodges together for a gala celebration of the consolidation. Our J. W. Joe Fisher is busy formulating plans for this important event.

The number 920 will undoubtedly appear many times and places before it disappears. The committees decided that in the interest of economy we would use up all the expendable items with old names and numbers. A new seal and logo will be ordered as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please direct them to myself or our Secretary, WB William D. Staples. Please note my new address and phone number on the front page of the Trestleboard (different from the 1978 roster).

One of the provisions of the consolidation was to produce a new roster as soon as possible. This depends on you. The roster information cards should be in the mail soon (March). I urge you to return them as soon as possible so that the committees work can be accomplished with all due haste.

Once again the Brotherhood Fund mailing has been delayed and I apologize. However, do not let it deter you from contributing. Your check may be mailed to E. Ward Wright, 32 Stoneleigh Ct., Rochester, NY 14618. The letters to everyone were delayed in the mail for some unknown reason and if you haven't received it yet you should shortly.

Our Grand Master William R. Punt is asking Masons in New York State to get involved in Community Service projects; Scouting, Ambulance Volunteers, Youth Center, Veterans Centers etc. I know many of you are already involved in this type of work. If you know are, will you drop me a line

and tell me about it so I may in turn inform the Chairman of the State Committee for Community Services. If you are not involved, I urge you to get involved. You don't have far to look. All volunteer organizations need help of all kinds. Just pick up the phone and ask R.:W.: Bill Zufall at our own Masonic Service Bureau. He will be happy to put you to work. Don't forget "Think Big and Build".

Fraternally,  
William D. Bare  
Master

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

Brothers another month just flew by very quickly and the Lodge is moving quite rapidly. Our first Degree was really good. Of course, if more brothers were there it would have made things seem much smoother. You Brethren have got to get out and support your Lodge. It is the only way our officers can succeed.

I have been working the circus all week and have seen several brothers. They have been working very hard. Which they do every year. In this, Valley is well represented.

Our Think Big and Build program as well as the Brotherhood fund has slowed up because of the times. This I understand. But we must do as much as we can. The home needs much help.

Our Brother Dave Fayer celebrated his 50th Wedding Anniversary on Sat., Feb. 9. I believe it was one of the finest parties I ever went to. Congratulations Mr. & Mrs. Fayer.

March 17th we are having a Corned Beef Dinner with Robertson Lodge and Corinthian Temple. Ladies are invited. Entertainment will be provided and refreshments served. Reservations must be made. You can call me for reservations at 266-5275. Don't miss this. I'm sure everyone will enjoy this fellowship. See you all there.

Fraternally,  
Harry C. Coates  
Master

**TRESTLEBOARD**  
Mar. 3 - Regular Meeting  
Mar. 17 - Corned Beef Dinner  
April 7 - Second Degree  
Apr. 19 - Masonic Grand Ball

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

Brethren,

I was installed as Master on February 6th by R.:W.: Brother Don Magruder, with the assistance of W.: Brother Ken Buckland. It was a memorable night for me. W.: Brother Maurice Soloman officiated at The Investiture Ceremony, that preceded opening of lodge. It was a pleasant surprise to see so many of my fellow "RED COATS" seated on the sidelines, and of course, it is always a pleasure to have our District Grand Lodge Officers visit us.

Returns for The Brotherhood Fund are now coming in. If you have not yet made your contribution, please send it to our Chairman, W.: Brother Ken Buckland. To help raise money for THE THINK BIG AND BUILD CAMPAIGN, we have a BRICK WALL POSTER at the Lodge, that has quite a few empty spaces in it. For a dollar, you can sign your name (or your wife's or children's names), and BUY A BRICK to help in the reconstruction of our Masonic Home in Utica.

#### NOTICE OF SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

You are hereby summoned to attend a special Communication of UNION STAR LODGE NO. 320 F.&A.M. at 8:00 P.M. on Wednesday Evening, March 19, 1980, for the purpose of conferring the First Degree. The degree will be conferred by our Senior Warden W.: Brother Bill Clark, assisted by the officers and brethren of the lodge.

Fraternally,  
Dick Bennett  
Master

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

Dear Brothers,

I hope you are all enjoying the mild weather we are having just now. I am sorry to say it is not helping you to come out to our meetings. Your officers are trying to make it worth your time to come out and enjoy yourself with your brothers. Why not come and support them.

It was a pleasure to see Bro. Earl Jones sitting in lodge again. Happy to report Bro. Alfred Trist is coming along good and feeling better. Missed you at the last meeting.

Congratulations to Bro. Albert Chapman on receiving the first Kodak Centennial Plate from Mr. Walter Fallen. To Bro. Walter Durbin and his wife and Bro. John Auer and his wife, on their 60th wedding anniversaries. To our Senior Warden Bro. Terry Ramsey and his wife Vickie on the arrival of their new baby daughter.

The sympathy of the lodge goes to Bro. Leonard Schmeer Jr. and his family in the passing of his father.

Don't forget to make reservations for our St. Patrick Night. Everyone is welcome. If you can't make the dinner come for the entertainment.

Best wishes to all our Brothers who have a birthday in March.

Fraternally yours,  
Malcolm M. Pollock  
Master

**TRESTLEBOARD**  
Mar. 3 - Business Meeting  
Mar. 17 - St. Patrick's Night -  
Dinner 6:30 P.M.

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

Brethren,

We are all enjoying a beautiful Winter so far, with all happy except for snowmobilers. Bro. George Bergman has recuperated from pneumonia, and will be able to attend our next meeting. The next meeting will be a Second Degree, with Bro. S.W. Leon Morgan in the East.

Everyone is happy to hear Bro. Dick Bennett was well enough to be installed as Master of Union Star Lodge #320. Congratulations.

Fraternally,  
Dave Morris  
Master

### TRESTLEBOARD

Mar. 12 - Open Meeting  
Mar. 26 - 3rd Degree

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



Brethren:

First of all, I wish a happy birthday to all the brothers who were born in the month of March. The days are passing by fast. When you receive this message, Spring will be only 3 weeks away. As everything starts growing in Spring, our lodge will also when we confer the 2nd and 3rd degrees in April on a class of 3 candidates. On March 12, our guest speaker will be R.:W.: William Zufall. I'd like to see you all in lodge - we miss you.

Brotherhood Fund - keep on funding. We still need more to reach last year's total. We said we were going to beat last year's figures, and with your help, we can.

Think Big and Build - your pledge and contributions are needed to complete our obligation. Our Brotherhood Fund Chairman, W.: Al Johnson, also has tickets for our Ladies Night, which will be April 19 as part of the Masonic Grand Ball. Make your reservations now; we would like to see you with your ladies.

### SICKNESS & DISTRESS

It is with sorrow that I announce the passing of two brothers: Bro. Lloyd Schramm died Jan. 17 and Bro. Ernest Dreger died on Feb. 7. To their respective families we extend our heartfelt sympathies.

W.: Charles Hanes is in Highland Hospital for surgery which we understand was successful. I hope he will be home by the time you read this message. Please remember our sick brothers with a card or a visit.

Fraternally,  
Joseph Mlayess  
Master

### TRESTLEBOARD

Mar. 12 - Guest speaker,  
R.:W.: William Zufall  
Mar. 26 - Regular Meeting  
Apr. 9 - 2nd Degree  
Apr. 19 - Ladies Night  
Apr. 23 - 3rd Degree, dinner

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

Well here it is, March already. Spring is right around the corner and soon trees and flowers will be coming forth again. Let's take our cue from Nature and start coming forth to Lodge again. There's some great things happening this spring.

First and foremost, we have at least two candidates that will be receiving their initiation at our meeting on March 12th. Please plan on joining us this evening when these fellows take their first steps down the path of Masonry that we have all trod. Remember how much it meant to you to see a large turnout at your initiation.

Our second meeting on March 26th will be a business meeting to continue the planning for the serious issues and concerns that face your Lodge in the near future. These discussions are extremely important and if you really care about your Lodge, you ought to be there at these meetings to make sure your concerns are covered. Please plan on attending.

Officers, take note. There will be an Officers meeting on Tuesday, March 4th to rehearse for the First Degree. Please be there!

There will be a Fellowcraft meeting on Tuesday, March 18th. We will be completing the arrangements for the Fellowcraft Ladies Night. Please come and give us a hand.

Speaking of the Fellowcraft Ladies Night - it's going to be great! Plan on joining us at the Redman's Club on Saturday, March 29th. The gala evening starts with a Social Hour beginning at 6:30 PM followed by a Buffet dinner at 7:30 PM featuring ham, chicken, roast beef, and lots more. Dinner will be followed by bowling from 9 to 11 PM or card playing or just plain old chit-chatting. There will be gifts for the ladies as well. The price of the great evening is only \$7.50 per person including tax and tip. Bowling is extra. Get your reservations in to Junior Warden Paul Krueger (671-4144) or Master John Foster (467-1677) by March 21st. You really don't want to miss this super Fellowcraft Ladies Night.

Brotherhood Fund co-Chairmen Bruce Howland and Wolfgang Piaskowski are still gratefully accepting any and all contributions. We're a long way from 100% participation (in fact, we're behind last year), and we really need your help. Send a

contribution now, today, don't wait.

And, don't forget, Think Big and Build.

### NEWS OF THE BRETHREN

We are saddened by the recent passing of our brother Herman Utz on Feb. 5th. He was a member of Germania Lodge for 43 years. Our sympathy is extended to his family and friends.

We are also sending along get well wishes to Andy McBride and Frank and Bert Arnold. Hope you all will be in the pink again soon.

And finally, Happy Birthday to the following brethren with birthdays in March: Milton Meteyer, Gordon Pettifer, Robert Donah, Charles Gorman, John Bagchus, Lavern Hadaway, Nelson Bertch, Albert Witt, Donald Walzer, Custave Werner, Howard Boyne, Albert Daniels, Milton DeLorm, Robert Moyer, William McGrath, Joseph Reber, Bruce Howland, Herbert Schulz, and Norman Lincourt.

Fraternally,  
David N. Foster  
Correspondent

### TRESTLEBOARD

Mar. 4 - Officers Meeting  
Mar. 12 - Business Meeting/  
First Degree  
Mar. 18 - Fellowcraft Meeting  
Mar. 26 - Business Meeting/  
Finance Discussion  
Mar. 29 - Fellowcraft Ladies  
Night

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

Brethren,

On March 4th our Sr. Warden Bob Shrader will be in the east, along with our Jr. Warden Lloyd Nolan who will close. At this time, I ask the members of our Lodge to support our officers throughout the year.

The complete renovation of our kitchen in Lodge is the work of true craftsmen. Much of this work was done by R.:W.: R. Kellogg, R.:W.: Fred Wolfe, Bro. Paul Musfeldt and R.:W.: Bruce Brainerd. Many other brothers have given their support and helped in the complete process in the past.

The Ladies of O.E.S. were pleased by the kitchen they now have to work in. We know they are deserving of these facilities.

The Brotherhood Fund Drive is at its peak. Your donation towards this worthy cause will bring our Lodge to another successful year. Support your Chairman NOW!!

Past Master's Night is March 18th. Dinner will be at 6:30 P.M. For reservations call Bro. Lloyd Nolan at 377-1779 or Bro. Pete Schuryn at 223-6844. Your support and friendship will be appreciated.

Fraternally,  
Donald E. Calkins  
Master

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

Brethren,

It is very pleasing for a master to see the sidelines filled with smiling faces. Lodge attendance has been very encouraging during the first two months of the year. Let's keep up the good work.

Unfortunately, due to an error on my part, (booking a date during the period of the Shrine Circus) the bowling party at the Lyon's Den did not receive the attendance as that of previous years. However, 29 brave souls did brave the inclement weather and a good time was had by one and all.

On March 11th Wor. Weston Carter of Springville Lodge #351 of Buffalo, will talk on aprons, jewels and coins. He has a very impressive collection to display. He is traveling quite a distance to be with us, so let's have a good turnout to welcome him.

A second degree will be exemplified on March 25th, with Bro. Donald Ferguson in the East. This will be preceded by a sausage and pancake supper.

This year, as in the past, the lodge will again incorporate its ladies night along with the grand ball to be held at Arena's Party House on Ridge Rd. East, Sat., April 19th.

Bros., this is the evening when you show your appreciation to your wife for allowing you to go out as often as you do. Participation in this event has always been good. Let's endeavor to keep it that way.

The Grand Lodge Bowling Tournament is to held this year at Clover Lanes in Rochester. During March and April, entry blanks are available at Lodge. This is a handicap event, so you stand as much chance as everyone else. So all we need is a five-man team.

The Brotherhood Fund is in full swing, so please remember this most worthy cause with a donation no matter how large or small. Bro. Charlie Thompson is in charge so let him hear from you in the near future.

### SICKNESS & DISTRESS

The sympathies of the lodge are extended to the family of Wor. Manual Syracuse on the passing of his brother. Bro. Henry Rehbach is now residing at the Baird Nursing Home. Please remember him with a visit or a card.

Fraternally,  
Ken Rhodes  
Master - 621-6051

### TRESTLEBOARD

Mar. 11 - Business Meeting -  
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Mar. 18 - 2nd Degree  
Rehearsal  
Mar. 25 - 2nd Degree,  
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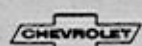
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**ROCHESTER LODGE**

No. 660

2nd Monday

Rochester will be having a dinner March 15 at the Red Men's Club on Lexington Avenue. Happy Hour will be from 6:30 to 7:30 P.M. Dinner will be served at 7:30 P.M. Members and their adult guests are welcome. The selections for dinner are stuffed breast of chicken - \$5.95 and New York Strip Steak - \$8.95, gratuities extra. Please call the Master at 458-6687 by March 10 to make your reservation which must be paid for.

A letter and questionnaire were sent to local members of the Lodge. A STAMPED self-addressed envelope accompanied the letter and questionnaire. There are still several that have not been returned. Please return the questionnaire as we have several important decisions to make in the next several months and we would like your cooperation. The Lodge needs your views on these subjects. I wish to thank all of you who have returned your questionnaires and I appreciate your thought-provoking replies.

At our February meeting Senior Deacon Joseph Abamonte presented an illustrated lecture on "Security and Shoplifting". Brother Abamonte's talk was very informative and interesting.

The new Junior Deacon for 1980 is W. Bro. Donald Leisten. The Lodge is very grateful to Brother Leisten for his willingness in assuming this duty.

On May 2, Rochester Lodge will be participating in the School of Ritual. We shall be doing the Third Degree. Beginning to Obligation. Please come and give support to your Lodge Officers.

Remember the Brotherhood Fund and the "Think Big and Build" campaign. As of this writing, the total contributions for the Lodge's 1979/1980 Brotherhood Fund was \$445.00. Thank you for your contributions so far.

Fraternally,  
Edward J. Garrett  
Master

**TRESTLEBOARD**

Mar. 3 - Fellowcraft

Mar. 10 - Lodge - 3 Degree Practice. C. Dan Jameson and Richard W. Zorn Opening and Closing

Mar. 15 - Dinner - Red Men's Club, 6:30 P.M.

**FROM THE SECRETARY**

Our Senior Warden is working that 4 to 12 shift, W.B. Willard Garrett is taking his place as Brotherhood Chairman, send checks to Willard Garrett, 41 Albemarle Street, Rochester, NY 14613.

Congratulations to the following brothers who celebrate their Birthday in March: Philip Grammatica 3/2; Lawrence Ervin 3/10; William Unterborn 3/12; Raymond Neelin 3/13; Prof. Philip Baumeister 3/17; David Wishart 3/23; William Levin 3/24; Henry Mall who will be 92 on 3/26; Robert Saunders 3/26; Robert Pope 3/26; Robert Bayley 3/26; Arthur Havill 3/20; and William Toogood 3/30.

Bro. Ashley Williams died January 17th. The Lodge conducted a Masonic Service under the direction of R.W. Frank Fulreader. Bro. George Haas is home after his operation.

Only 20% more members to pay their dues, if you are one who neglected to pay, send your check to your Secretary.

Fraternally,  
George M. Adams,  
Secretary

**ETOLIAN LODGE**

No. 479

2nd and 4th Mondays

**Brethren:**

There wasn't much skiing at Frost Ridge for our annual Family Ski Night, but a good time was had by all. Some of the younger (and older) kids did go sledding, and a few even tried riding an inner tube down the hill. A special thanks to W. Bro. Jim Powell and W. Bro. Dale Rankin, who not only took care of purchasing the food, but also did all the cooking. Their sales of hots and hamburgs were doing good until W. Bro. Wally Lessord showed up with his delicious home-made chicken soup. W. Bro. Wally Lessord also cooked the

superb ham we had for our Pot Luck Dinner at our last meeting.

Bro. Richard Bennett of Etolian is also a W. Bro. He was installed as Master of Union Star Lodge #320 in Honeoye Falls. Congratulations Dick.

Ladies Night will be held at the Lodge On The Green on March 8th. This has always been a joint venture with Clio Lodge in Hilton. This year Monroe Lodge in Brockport will also be joining us. Contact Bro. Edward Zorn (964-3714) for tickets, and join us for a real good time. Hope to see you there.

The Lantern Lecture will be given at our March 10th meeting by Bro. Don Hage from Yonnodio Lodge. For those of you who have never seen this lecture, especially the newer brothers, this should be a very informative meeting.

The 2nd School of Ritual will be held on March 21st at Penfield Union Lodge, in Penfield. I would appreciate a good attendance at this meeting to help ensure that we maintain the attendance banner for another year. My father, W. Bro. Chalmers Dinger, started Etolian winning the attendance banner back in 1976. We have had it every year since then. Besides trying to keep the banner, a lot of good ritual work is the basis for the excellent degree that Etolian Lodge always displays. Also, it will give us a good review for our 2nd degree on March 24th.

Churchville Lodge will host the semi-annual Euchre Tournament on March 31st, at 7:00 p.m. Let's have a good turnout and bring the plaque back to Etolian Lodge where it belongs.

To those of you who have not gotten around to it, time is running out for our Brotherhood Fund. Also, \$1.00 will buy you a brick on the Think Big and Build wall. Let's try to complete at least one wall.

Etolian Chapter #308, Order of Eastern Star, extends a cordial invitation to the Fraternal Brothers and Sisters to attend their Official Visit on April 21st.

We extend our sincere sympathies to W. Bro. Sterling Peckham on the passing of his wife Eileen. She was called to the eternal home by the Supreme Architect on February 12, 1980.

Fraternally  
Clarence Dinger  
Master

**TRESTLEBOARD**

Mar. 8 - Ladies Night (Lodge on the Green - 6:30)

Mar. 10 - Regular Meeting (Lantern Lecture)

Mar. 21 - 2nd School of Ritual (at Penfield Union Lodge #154)

Mar. 24 - F. C. Degree (Bro. Dennis Huffman in the East)

Mar. 31 - Euchre Tournament (\*\*\*) at Churchville Lodge - 7:00)



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



Brethren,

When you read this column two months of 1980 will be history. We have had two speakers, one from R.G.E. and one from R.T.C. Both were excellent speakers.

I am very disappointed in your participation. The rapid rise in the cost of utilities and the pros and cons of Nuclear energy, both speakers presented helpful information to the consumers of energy and telephone services.

Masonic Service was performed for Brother Earl Waltman. He was raised in the Mastership of W.: Carl Ayen in 1943. W.: John Pascucci and eleven brothers from Oatka Lodge increased our ranks to eighteen. Many thanks to "Red Coat" and Oatka.

Fraternally yours,  
Elbert H. Freeman  
Master

**TRESTLEBOARD**

Mar. 3 - W.: Charles Walker will speak to us on his Masonic reflections about World War II. This is an excellent story. I have heard him speak on this subject before.

Mar. 17 - There will be a Saint Patrick's dinner at 6:30. \$4.50 per person. Entertainment at 8 P.M. Ladies and non-Masons invited. The Robertson and Valley Lodges are putting the dinner on and our Lodge will join with them for this event. Please call George Witwell 244-3388 for reservations.

Mar. 21 - Fellowcraft Meeting  
NOTE: 85% of our members have not contributed to the Brotherhood Fund. Please send in your contribution now.

**SECRETARY'S CORNER**

Brethren, as of December 31, 1979, your Secretary had to unaffiliate six Brothers for non-payment of dues. By keeping up to date in your Lodge Dues this would not happen. Those of you who still have 1979 dues outstanding, try to get it to me now.

Birthday greetings to the following Brothers: Kenneth Ross 3/2; H. Hewes Sullivan (90), Andrew Yavornicky 3/4; Frank Taylor 3/5; Bernard Rogers 3/6; Wor. Coral Morgan (89) (Master 1933), Edward Partis 3/7; Charles Shirley 3/8; Edward Barron (84) 3/9; Charles Franklin (87), Sten Persson 3/13; Robert Forest Clark 3/14; George Whitwell 3/15; Robert Mulcock 3/16; Wor. Hewett Strever (Master 1947) 3/17; Harrison Ball, Roger Bense 3/18; Robert Cunningham 3/20; John Silsby 3/24; Wor. Stanley Allen (Master 1962, 1976) 3/26; Earl Briggs 3/27; Herbert Shaw (87)

3/30; Harry Conover, Jr. and Peter Wyse 3/31.

At the last meeting of Lodge, it was decided to hold our Annual Bowling Party at the Lyon's Den. May 17th on a Saturday with a choice of breaded veal cutlet or strip steak including 3 games of Dutch bowling for the low cost of \$8.00 per person. This affair is usually well attended so you should make your reservations early so that you will not miss out.

**CALLED BY THE  
SUPREME ARCHITECT**

Brothers Henry Krasz 1/26/80; Leonard J. Schmeer, 2/3/80 and Earl Waltman 2/4/80. Brethren, sadly do we mourn the calling away of these distinguished Brothers from the circle of our mystic fellowship, but as Masons we have faith that they have entered into a higher fellowship, there to share the work of the Master of all good workmen; there also to receive deserving rest from earthly strife in the abiding peace of heaven.

Bertram M. Steene,  
Secretary

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

Brethren,

Now that I am officially Master of Charlotte Lodge, I would like to thank Wor. Robert Forest, Installing Officer and Wor. Duane Manchester, Installing Marshal for a nice job for both the Open and Closed Installations. Also, Rev. Bro. Hugh Outtersen, Installing Chaplain at the Open Installation - a job very well done and one I'll never forget. I also thank all who attended; especially the Open Installation. Many good friends were there, plus my wife and 3 of our 5 sons. Mostly I owe many thanks to my good wife Emily for the Reception she prepared following the open installation. From all accounts it was enjoyed by all. I would like especially to thank Wor. Marty Reitz of Henrietta Lodge for filling in at the last minute as organist due to the sickness of Wor. Jim Branigan our regular organist. Also, the soloist Miss Marie Knittle for her lovely solos.

By the time this goes to press, we will have had a First Degree class of 5 candidates. Hopefully all will go well. On March 7th, Friday, we will have a Fish Fry at the Lodge hall with 2 seatings, one at 5:30 and one at 6:30 P.M. Only ticket holders will be fed as there is limited seating and we have to limit the tickets to 100 at a seating. All officers have tickets or contact me at 475-9050 daytime or 663-4644 in the evening.

The paper drive is continuing. If you can, bring them to the Lodge hall, otherwise contact me and we will arrange for a pick-up. The bricks on the "Think Big and

Build" wall are in need of the cement of kindness, so let's all get under the hod and put the bricks in place. Bro. Ron Bertie is the chairman of the Campaign. Bro. Jack Riess will gladly fill out a receipt for your donations to the Brotherhood Fund.

R.W. Bill Zufall, Director of the Masonic Service Bureau, will be our Guest Speaker at our March 4th meeting and he promises he will pick out an interesting topic. Come out and enjoy, I'm sure it will be worth your while.

Have quite a few aprons to pass out to attendees so come to the meetings and meet your brethren both new and old and enjoy the Brotherhood and socialbility. It is "Your Lodge" so why not come and share "Your" with "Us".

Our Annual Bowling Party will be held March 22nd at Red Men's Hall. Fellowcraft have tickets with Bro. Fred Ogborne as Chairman. This is always a good affair so come out, bring your friends and join in the fun.

March 18th will be Past Masters and Old Timers Night. Would be nice to see many of the Charlotte Past Masters in attendance. Personally, I will be very happy to meet you as I believe there is a lot of the Past Masters I've never met.

On April 7th, we will be guests of Charlotte Chapter #507 OES on Master Masons Night. This is always a special night so would like to have a good turnout as they go all out for us.

Looking forward to meeting many of you during the Lodge year - come and make yourself know and join in the activities and I'm sure you'll wonder why you stopped coming.

Fraternally,  
Russ Berry  
Master

**TRESTLEBOARD**

Mar. 4 - R.W. William Zufall, Dir. Masonic Service Bureau will speak. Please plan to attend

Mar. 7 - Fish Fry - Lodge Hall. Two settings, 6:30 and 7:30 P.M. See officers for tickets  
Mar. 11 - Fellowcraft Night  
Mar. 18 - Open Meeting - Past Masters and Old Timers Night. Come out and renew old friendship.

Mar. 22 - Fellowcraft Bowling Party - Red Men's Club. Reservations are a MUST  
Mar. 25 - Officers Meeting  
Apr. 1 - 2nd Degree - 1st Class W. Berry in the East

Apr. 7 - Masters Mason Night  
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**GENESEE FALLS LODGE  
No. 507  
2nd Thursday**

At our meeting on Jan. 24 we conferred the first degree on two candidates and I would like to extend my congratulations to both of them. I would also like to congratulate all the officers for a job well done, especially since this was the first time in their newly installed offices. It was also nice to have some sideliners and visitors at the meeting. The second degree should be conferred on Feb. 28. I was very happy to have Brother Rev. Bill McKee sitting next to me in the East after a very long illness.

We have quite a lengthy sick-list and I would like to wish a speedy recovery and pleasant and cheery days to those that are shut-in. It is quite hard to keep up with the sick list changes, but I was informed that W.: Brother Ray Ring is in Newark-Wayne Memorial Hospital for a hip operation and I wish him the best of everything. By the time you read this my brothers, I hope that Bro. Ring is home and recovering very nicely. Also, brother Nick Wargo has been in and out of the hospital again. Please let me know of any brother who is in or confined to the hospital.

Brother Emil E. Rychner was called home by the Supreme Architect of the Universe on January 13, 1980.

My brothers, I would like to take a few moments of your time to remind all of you of our obligation to both the Brotherhood Fund and the Think Big and Build Fund. I know as well as anyone that there is always a request from someone for a contribution to a very worthy cause, but the two I just mentioned are our Masonic responsibilities and any time you can contribute to these drives, please mail your checks to our secretary,

R.:W.: Ronald Mertens, 518 Merchants Rd., Rochester, NY 14609.

As a reminder, we have our wall of bricks, and brick may be purchased for \$1.00, and also a magnetic square & compasses for \$1.00. The proceeds of both will go the the Think Big and Build Fund.

At our March 13th meeting, I have obtained W.: Brother Charlie Walker as our speaker. He will speak on W.W.2 experiences which I understand is very interesting. I hope we will have a good attendance to enjoy this evening. Our March 27th meeting will hopefully be a 3rd degree, with the 1974 Masters conferring the second section.

We have obtained our dates and places for our summer activities. Our steak roast (or suitable event) will be held on Saturday Aug. 2nd at Powdermills Park and our Clam Bake (or suitable event) will be held on Saturday, Sept. 13th at Ellison Park. Please mark these dates on your calendar, but reservation cards will be sent.

On May 22nd, we will have a Family Tureen supper with Rochester Chapter #314, Order of Eastern Star and Valley Lodge. Our entertainment will be a Bavarian Schuhplattling and folk dancing group.

I was just informed, before mailing this message that Brother Tom Hedrich is at home, and progressing slowly. Please keep me informed, Brethren.

Fraternally,  
W.: Lawrence Geith  
Master

**TRESTLEBOARD**

Mar. 13 - Speaker W.: Charlie Walker - Lunch - Wieners and Kraut

Mar. 27 - 3rd Degree - W.: John Faro in the East - 2nd Section 1974 Master - He-Man Lunch

Apr. 10 - Regular Meeting - Old Fashioned Card Party

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ROCHESTER FOREST 133

Brethren,

The year is already off to a great start with the Valentines Day Party held at Joe Dimino's house. It was well attended, and if you missed it, you missed a lot of good food. Thank you Joe and family for your help and hospitality. There are many more events planned, so attend as many as possible. The schedules will be in your hands soon, so keep the dates open.

Our Forest, as all other Masonic bodies, needs new members. If we are to prosper and grow, we must bring in new members. No one is going to do it for us. Tell your non-Masonic friends about Masonry and get them to join. Then go one step further and tell your Masonic Brethren about the Tall Cedars. Just think, if each member brought in just one new member, we'd be in great shape. Remember: We are the only constituent Forest in the area. If you're not a member of our Forest, you're not a member of the Tall Cedars of Lebanon. The future of YOUR Forest is in your hands. Don't have your hands in your pockets.

We are glad to see PGTC Guy Williams and SDGTC Carl Busack both recovering nicely after their short stays in the hospital. You can't keep a good Cedar down.

William Miner Jr.  
G.T.C.

GENESEE VALLEY  
CHAPTER

## ORDER OF DEMOLAY

Genesee Valley is growing and expanding, but we are looking for more new members.

At this time I would like to explain DeMolay for those of you that don't know exactly what we are about. DeMolay is an organization for young men, 13 to 21 years old, who are learning to be better citizens in a well-rounded program of social, civic, athletic, and fraternal activities.

To the members of Northfield, Penfield, Webster, Fairport and East Rochester Lodges, remember that March 27th is an appreciation dinner in your honor and there will be a brief meeting afterwards. So if you don't have anything planned for this date, I extend this invitation to you all.

If anyone has a son from 13 to 21 years of age, who would be interested in DeMolay or if you have any questions you want answered, please feel free to call me at 654-9494 and I will be more than happy to answer them.

Fraternally,  
Robert L. McDermott  
Master Councilor

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CONCERN WITH  
LOVE

Brethren have you made your contribution yet? If you have not, please see your Brotherhood Chairman now or return your check in the envelope that was mailed to you. The fund drive is slightly ahead of last year. I would like to thank the Brotherhood Chairman and encourage you to keep up the good work. I have one complaint, and that is I have some Lodges in the 1st Monroe District that are not sending me a copy of the Grand Lodge report. I need this report to keep my records and to see that your Lodge gets credit. Please don't forget the breakfast to be held on

Mar. 2, 1980, for the Master's, Brotherhood Chairmen, and wives. The breakfast will be at 8:00 a.m. at the Fairport Masonic Temple. One free ticket for lodges with 20% of the membership participating in the Brotherhood Fund, Two tickets for 25% and so on. For those who have to pay, the charge is only \$1.50. Listed below are the Brotherhood figures as of 1/15/80.

I attended many of the Installations during Dec. and Jan. I am sorry I could not make them all, as you realize many fall on the same night. I enjoyed each and every one. On Jan. 19, Yonnondio held an open installation with

about 200 in attendance. Congratulations to Wor. Don Carlile for getting so many Masons and non-Masons out.

## THINK BIG AND BUILD

Have you made your Pledge yet? Please, Your Money Is Needed, we don't want to fail now. Your people at the home in Utica are depending in you. If you haven't been contacted as yet, take the initiative yourself and contact the chairman or Master of your lodge. Make your 3 year pledge now and have a Tax Deduction for the next 3 years.

Fraternally,  
Richard L'Amoreaux  
Grand Dir. Cerm.  
1st Monroe District

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Fairport #476	288	52	18.5	528.25
Etolian #479	342	101	29.5	1,014.00
Webster #538	426	102	24	1,258.50
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## CONCERN AND LOVE

That is the theme or motto for this year's Masonic Brotherhood Fund Drive in New York State. Based upon the results that are reflected in the chart for the Second Monroe District, there is a great need for more of both if we are to achieve the degree of success that is needed in order to support our Brothers and Sisters at the Masonic Home in Utica.

It may seem that there are many and constant demands for us to contribute to charities of all kinds. This may

be a fact. However, let us all remember the obligation that we once took to contribute to the relief of our poor and distressed Brethren. The Masonic Brotherhood Fund is just one way of directly fulfilling your obligation. If you have not yet made your contribution to this year's campaign, I ask that you do it NOW. I guarantee that if you make your contribution with the proper frame of mind, you will feel proud of yourself for the good that you have done in helping others.

Finally, I would like to add a few thoughts about the

Think Big and Build and other Masonic Charities that we are asked to support. Brethren, these are all worthwhile endeavors and they all need our support. It is up to each one of us to search our hearts and decide what our Masonic obligations mean to us. Remember, some may be able to give more than others, but even the smallest contribution adds to the total. I ask that you be among those who can be counted.

Fraternally,  
Ronald D. Mertens  
Grand Steward

SECOND MONROE DISTRICT  
BROTHERHOOD FUND CONTRIBUTIONS  
AS OF 2-15-80

LODGE	MBRS.	TOTAL	PCT.	AMOUNT
Union Star #320	124	3	2.4	\$25.00
Northfield #426	209	58	27.8	838.00
Genesee Falls #507	375	72	19.2	754.00
Henrietta #526	210	26	12.4	270.25
Rochester #660	209	18	8.6	455.00
Churchville #667	117	36	30.8	280.25
Germania #722	246	66	26.8	902.00
Oatka #759	159	12	7.5	159.00
Frank R. Lawrence #797	132	2	1.5	40.00
Corinthian Temple #805	261	46	17.6	533.00
Fame #945	302	65	21.5	566.00
Zetland #951	185	26	14.1	598.00
Craftsman #969	233	28	12.0	546.37
John A. Robertson #1032	259	49	18.9	548.00
Wakan #1054	222	18	8.1	307.00
Charlotte #1088	522	89	17.0	956.00
OTHER		3		127.50
Total	3,765	617	16.4	\$7,905.37



**CYRENE COMMANDERY**

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



Here we are in the 3rd month of 1980. Up until this printing we have not had a bad winter weatherwise. We are still keeping our fingers crossed. Hope it works.

Coming up in March we have the following: Friday March 14th we will have a full form opening. Rehearsal for inspection. The ladies of the Schjcker Club will also be there that night. Friday March 28th we will also have a full form opening and rehearsal. Please attend as we need you. Thanks.

The following are Inspection dates: Geneva Commandery, March 17th. Monroe Commandery, March 21st. Jerusalem Commandery, April 16th. Cyrene Commandery, April 25th. Please attend as many of these as you can. Important to all of us.

Let us not forget that on April 6th we will again be in Washington for the annual Easter Sunrise Service. If you are planning to go contact our Em. Commander, Horace F. Denton. Something we all should attend. Very impressive.

We have a slight change in our schedule. Our Inspection being so late and scheduled for the last one would normally be on our Annual Election meeting, April 25th. May 9th meeting will be our election night and May 23rd will be Installation. More about that in the April issue.

Our Commandery needs new members and we expect to have a Spring Class. Let us all see what can be done.

Birthdays in the month of March: Joseph Savage, March 2nd; William Herdendorf, March 4th; Leslie J. Passino, March 4th; Willy Fuchs, March 12th; Harley S. Henry, March 16th; Gerald D'Angelo, March 18th; Robert Lauzon, March 19th; Gregg Ross, March 31st; Ernest Stelianou, March 31st. If your birthday is in March and not listed be sure and contact our Recorder Gordon C. Mosher and let him know. Thanks. The 1980 dues are now due and payment would be appreciated.

We have the Capital Fund Drive coming up which will be in full swing in the near future.

# York Rite News

## IONIC CHAPTER No. 210

ROYAL ARCH MASONS  
2nd and 4th Tuesdays

The Ex. High Priest, Nicholar R. Michaels wishes to thank all the Past High Priests who attended the High Priest Anointing with him on March the 2, 1980. This was his first time thru and he really was impressed with it. We had well over 100 in attendance from all over the western part of the State.

We have what is called a Mini Festival coming for our Chapters starting in February. this is the schedule as of now. Hamilton Chapter, MM on February 14th and Dansville & Livonia on February 18th. These were in the Feb. Ionic Chapter the MEM on March 25th and Webster Chapter the RAM on April the 8th. This is the ones in the 27th Capitular District.

Our own is on April 22nd RAM and we will have a rehearsal for the RAM on April 8th. More about that in the April Issue.

We have members attending the Grand Chapter in Albany on March the 7th and 8th. Hope they all have a safe trip there and back. Have a grand time there Brothers.

We have but one meeting in March and that will be on March 25th and of course, the rehearsal of the MEM. All members taking part please be present for it. Thanks.

The Pre-Eminent Gov. Emmitt D'Arcy wishes to announce in this issue that the Genesee York Rite College #25 will have their meeting at the Masonic Temple, Rochester, NY on March 1st. Meeting is scheduled for 3 p.m. and dinner afterwards at the Maplewood Inn. We have candidates. This is just a reminder as each member should have received a letter before this. Thanks.

We have one death to report at this time. Comp. Roy F. Johncox passed away on Feb. 6, 1980. He was a member of our Chapter #210 since Feb. 8, 1921. 59 years of service to the Chapter. He was in ill health for the past few years. Card of Sympathy has been extended to his wife Edna and family. He will be missed greatly.

Our dues for the Chapter is coming in good but if you

## MONROE COMMANDERY

No. 12  
KNIGHTS  
TEMPLAR  
1st and 3rd  
Fridays



Chartered in 1827

On the 21st of March the Very Em. Deputy Grand Commander Sir Knight Carol Turck will be inspecting Monroe Commandery. The ladies auxiliary will be putting on a supper at 6:30 P.M. (dish to pass) I hope to see a good line of Past Commanders present inspection night. The Past Commanders are the backbone of this Commandery. When General MacArthur was relieved of duty and subsequently retired from active duty, he said in his departing speech, "Old soldiers never die, they just fade away". Such is the case in masonic groups with new candidates after having received their degrees but should not be the case with Past Commanders. Inspections this month will be, Geneva on the 17th followed by Monroe Commandery on the 21st. Car pooling will be a good idea for officers and interested Sir Knights who are planning to attend inspections within our zone.

The next three months are perhaps the busiest of the Templar year in that during the months of March, April all of the Commanderies in this zone will be inspected by the Grand Commandery. In April we will be conferring the Orders upon new candidates throughout the zone. If you have any potential candidates now is the time to act. Our losses this year have been staggering. Let's turn it around and rebuild our membership. In the month of May we will have our annual Go to Church Sunday at the church of our Associate Grand Prelate Paul Gleason. All Commanderies in Zone 11 will be present. Later in May we will have the election of officers then installation at the following meeting.

Last month a Monroe/Cyrene Bowling Party was announced for March 1st. Due to conflicting dates with other organizations that date has been changed to April 26th, at 7:00 P.M. The Easter Sunrise Service at Arlington Blvd.

Monroe Commandery will miss him greatly.

We are just over the 40% mark on dues. Please check to see that you have a current dues card.

Fraternally yours,  
Ronald L. Brown  
Em. Commander

## HAMILTON CHAPTER

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



Chartered in 1819

Companions of Hamilton Chapter where are you? You are sorely missed at Chapter meetings and other activities. As you read this there are three brothers who are advancing through the degrees in Hamilton Chapter. They need and deserve your support as others supported you when you presented your work which also passed inspection.

Not only do these brothers need your support, but also the Chapter and Temple. The "Save our Temple Major Fund Drive" begins on March 1st. This drive is dedicated to the Temple's 50th Anniversary. In order to have a successful drive it will be necessary to enroll the physical and financial support of all the Companions. You will be hearing from several of the Companions requesting assistance. Your help will be appreciated. The craftsmen wrought in the quarries to supply the needed materials for the Temple. The least we can do is continue to work for our temple and Capitular masonry.

The Chapter is always saddened by the loss by death of any of its Companions. The Chapter was particularly saddened by the death of R.E. R. Bruce Dayton, an extremely active and supportive Companion. "Our first reaction upon hearing of his death was sadness because such an honest and good friend was gone from the scene, Lord, we'll miss him. It seemed to us that he always went out of his way to do the best he could about people and things. We know how lonely his family will be now and how much they will miss him. Bless his death and resurrection in you, Jesus. Bless his family's sorrow and stirring of new life." paraphrased from "Are You Running With Me, Jesus" prayers by Malcolm Boyd.





## DAMASCUS TEMPLE A.A.O.N.M.S. and the SCOTTISH RITE BODIES of the Valley of Rochester



Invite Master Masons of this area to a special joint program of information, entertainment and fellowship on:

### MARCH 5, 1980

The program begins with dinner at 5:45 p.m. Master Masons (who are not now a member of either body) will be mailed a "complimentary" dinner ticket (subject to dining facility capacity) if they call the Shrine Office (473-3644) by March 3.

5:45 Dinner 7:15 Band Concert 8:00 Special Program 9:15 Refreshments

#### AN OPEN LETTER TO BRETHREN OF THE MONROE DISTRICTS

There is a graphic display in the February issue of the Empire State Mason showing our progress in the THINK BIG AND BUILD FUND DRIVE. I particularly call your attention to the fact that, although we have passed the \$4 million mark, the percentage of participation across the state totals only 10.9%. The First Monroe District stands at 10.1%; the Second Monroe District stands at 12.2%. In dollars, the First Monroe District is at 26.6% and the Second Monroe District is at 34.7% of our assigned goal.

While at the present time our two districts are now about average for the State, is there any reason why we as Masons should be satisfied to be just average? Monroe County has the highest percent of employment in the State, so that should not be the reason. We also have the highest wage scale in New York State, so this should not be the reason. Is it apathy? I hope not!

New Jersey Masons, numbering about 65,000 members raised over \$2.5 million, compared with our 185,000 members raising only \$4 million. Can't we do as well, or better?

We have all received special mailings from Grand Lodge and our Lodge Chairman regarding the need to raise \$7.5 million for our Home. You also realize it is imperative that we continue to maintain our Home in Utica in order to take care of our guests, who are our Brethren and their wives, and New York State has mandated extensive changes.

If about 11% of our members can raise over 50% of our goal, think for a moment what that amount could be if every member participated! please consider how important this appeal is, and then join your Brethren who have already sent in their generous pledges and contributions.

The time has arrived for each of us to stand up and be counted regarding our pride as Masons, by sending in your check or even an additional contribution to THINK BIG AND BUILD.

Fraternally,

R. Kenneth Crawford, Area Chairman  
Western Region

#### SCHOOL OF RITUAL

The second meeting of the School of Ritual will be held at Penfield Union Lodge, Penfield, on Friday, March 21 at 7:30 p.m. PROMPT.

Second Degree: Beginning to Obligation - Charlotte #1088, Obligation to End - Valley #109.

Meeting will adjourn no later than 9:30 p.m.

Maurice Solomon, AGL  
Executive Secretary

#### SCHOOL OF LODGE ADMINISTRATION

Since R:W: Herman Sarachan is presently recuperating from a broken hip, the first session of the School of Lodge Admin. on Fri., Mar. 14 at Fairport Lodge will be conducted by R:W: Wm. R. Zufall, Pres. of the Bur. of Masonic Education and W: 'Chick' Becker, Sec. of the S. of L.A. The session promises to be interested and informative, and will begin at 7:30 sharp, adjourning no later than 9:30. All officers should plan to attend.

#### ANNUAL MASONIC BREAKFAST APRIL 27

Save the Date: This year the Annual Masonic Breakfast & Religious Service will be held on Sun., April 27. Breakfast tickets are available in each lodge or at the Masonic Service Bureau for \$4.75 each. Bring your Ladies and friends.

#### SUPPORT THE MASONIC BROTHERHOOD FUND

Continued from page 1

meticulous standards of maintenance set by organ maintenance chief, Frederick W. Parker, have made the instrument one of the five best theatre organs in the United States today. Veteran aficionados agree that the organ sounds even better in the Auditorium than it did in its original location.

Tom Lockwood, RTOS president, says, "If it weren't for the wonderful folks at the TCC, we wouldn't be in business on the scale we enjoy today. There isn't another place in the area suitable for our type operation."

"Therefore, for the April 19 event, we are 'pulling out all the stops' in an effort to have the biggest house in years. We are urging members of all the Masonic Lodges to join RTOS' more than 1475 family members in this effort. Bring your friends. In Dennis James, we are presenting a long-time favorite of RTOS audiences in his seventh appearance here. Remember, if we can achieve a good turnout, the resulting check we will turn over to TCC may be a means to eliminate much of the red ink on its ledgers in 1980. They came to our rescue when it appeared we'd be out of business 15 years ago. Now, we want to assist them in their time of need."

Advance-sale tickets are \$6.50 for reserved seats and \$4.50 for general admission, and are obtainable by sending a check, payable to RTOS CONCERT, plus a stamped, self-addressed envelope, to 126 Suellen Drive, Rochester, NY 14609. Tickets will also be sold at the box office in advance, and at concert time, April 19. Tickets sold at the door will be \$1 more than advance prices.

So, organize with RTOS and get ready for a fine musical evening on April 19. See you there!

R:W: WILLIAM DWORKIN Continued from page 1

The point to be made out of all this, is that for centuries prior to the formation of the Grand Lodge of England, there were very few transactions actually recorded; therefore, few written words are available for posterity. The plain truth, of course, was that, outside of the Church itself, and a few paid scribes; everyone was illiterate, and thus, no need for record keeping was required.

The most important milestone in Masonic history, and the beginning of relatively unbroken record keeping, occurred on St. John the Baptist's Day, June 24, 1717, when four lodges meeting in London, convened at the Goose and Gridiron Ale House, and chose Mr. Anthony Sayer, Gentleman; as Grand Master, with Mr. Jacob Lamball, carpenter and Capt. Joseph Elliot, as Grand Wardens of the first Grand Lodge of "London and Westminster". The next year, George Payne, Esq. was elected Grand Master, with Mr. John Cordwell, city carpenter and Mr. Thomas Morrice, stone cutter, as Grand Wardens. In 1721, the first nobleman to assume the office, the Duke of Montagu, with John Beal, M.D. as his deputy, set the pattern of having the position of Grand Master usually filled by a Nobleman. At this meeting 12 lodges were represented, and by 1723 the number had increased to 26. In those years, Grand Lodge convened four times a year, the most important session being on St. John's Day.

The example set by the formation of a Grand Lodge in London, was followed in Ireland in 1730, and Scotland in 1736. There were at that time, approximately 100 lodges in Scotland, of which 33 participated in forming their Grand Lodge. Eventually, however, they all joined. An interesting and paradoxical footnote to all this, shows that while Scottish lodges formed their Grand Lodge after the London event, they appear to be much older than the English lodges. Fragments of preserved records among the lodges in Scotland go back to the following dates: Aitchison's Haven Lodge, 1598; Lodge of Edinburgh, 1599; Glasgow St. John Lodge No. 3, 1620; Kilwinning Lodge No. 0, 1642; etc. There are sometimes collateral references to these lodges, which are from non-Masonic sources, and these show a history going back much further into an earlier century. Incidentally, the No. 0 assigned to Kilwinning Lodge was the result of a dispute between it and Edinburgh Lodge as to which was the oldest. Each has headed the list prepared by the Grand Lodge of Scotland, however, when Edinburgh, which had been assigned No. 1, was later subordinated to Kilwinning, the latter was assigned No. 0 to avoid re-numbering the remaining lodges.

It is unfortunate that space limitations must call a halt to this brief historical digest. Hopefully we will expound further into Masonic history in a subsequent issue.

One brief notice: Wednesday, March 5, is Master Mason Night sponsored jointly by Damascus Shrine Temple, and the Scottish Rite Bodies of the Valley of Rochester. Its purpose is to acquaint Master Masons with the activities of the Scottish Rite, York Rite, and the Shrine. Toward this end, all non-Shriners are invited to a complimentary dinner, starting at 5:45 that evening. Call the Shrine office to receive your ticket. Dinner reservations are a **must** for everyone.

Fraternally,  
Bill Dworkin,  
D.D.G.M. - 1st Monroe

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