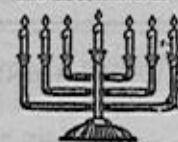




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Happy Hanukkah



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Just For Today

By I. Vincent Lloyd

"At This Christmas Season!"

The story of the birth of Christ and of the first Christmas in the little town of Bethlehem, the whole world would probably agree, is the most beautiful idyll that was ever written. The beauty and the value of the exaltation of Childhood contained in it enters at once into every heart that hears it and stays there throughout life.

No one would think for a moment that those who never hear this story did not have and value their children. To love one's children is as instinctive, with man as with almost all other creatures. There is testimony enough from the histories of nations to show the natural affection in the hearts of men for their offspring. It is the same today.

No one can ever know the suffering parents go through in the attempt to bring up their children in such a way that distrust and fear, hostility and timidity, towards other people will not be a part of their make-up. No one can know all the problems that center around rearing children, except those who have them. No one can know the suffering that the mother of Jesus went through, except someone who loved as deeply as she did.

Her son, the pride and joy of that household, coming into manhood and entering a fight which was true and just only to come to a shameful death. How could she ever feel anything except bitterness toward the whole world? She who clung to his every word, to every bit of news that came to her concerning his well-being, could have given up, and said, "I'd rather die than go on living through this." But she didn't.

At this Christmas Season, let us remember that He who was born on Christmas Day so set the calendar for all the world ever since when he grew to manhood and undertook to shape the thoughts and ideals of men, took a little child one day and set him on his knee and said, "Unless you become like this little child, you cannot enter into the proper relations with your fellow men, the family life, which I have come to teach and which I call the Kingdom of God."

Seasons Greetings

Installation Dates 1986 Masters

City Lodges

Zetland Lodge #951	December 10th
Valley Lodge #109	December 16th
Seneca Lodge #797	December 17th
Corinthian Temple Lodge #805	January 6th
John A. Robertson Lodge #1032	January 6th
Yonnonadio Lodge #163	January 7th
Germania Lodge #722	January 8th
Ancient Craft Lodge #943	January 8th
Genesee Falls Lodge #507	January 9th
Flower City Lodge #910	January 14th
Frank L. Simes #990	January 14th

Suburban Lodges

Oatka Lodge #759	December 11th
Craftsman Lodge #969	December 16th
Northfield Lodge #426	January 2nd
Webster Lodge #538	January 2nd
Penfield Lodge #154	January 7th
Clio Lodge #779	January 7th
Charlotte Lodge #1088	January 7th
Churchville Lodge #667	January 8th
Union Star Lodge #320	January 13th
Fairport Lodge #476	January 13th
Etolian Lodge #479	January 13th
Wakan-Hubbard Lodge #1054	January 13th
Rochester Lodge #660	January 13th
Monroe Lodge #173	January 14th
Henrietta Lodge #526	January 14th
Fame Lodge #945	January 14th
East Rochester Lodge #1020	January 14th

Mason Of the Year

Seneca-Yates-Ontario



Wor. James H. Gisleson

On Saturday, November 9, 1985, following a dinner attended by members and guests of the Charity Corporation of Seneca-Yates-Ontario counties, Director Wor. Bro. James H. Gisleson was honored by being named "Mason of the Year."

Wor. Bro. Jim was raised in Corinthian Temple Lodge #805 in May of 1948. He served the Lodge as Worshipful Master in 1960. For many years he and his lovely wife, Myrtle, gave most generously of their time to DeMolay and Triangle, while he also served as a Director of the Masonic Service Bureau. He is a member of the DeMolay Legion of Honor, and continues to take an active part in DeMolay activities. Wor. Bro. Jim retired to a new home in Victor and shortly thereafter became a dual member of Canandaigua Lodge #294 where he has been kept busy while maintaining a vital interest and tie to his Mother Lodge.

Stop! Read! Respond.

By Harry H. Kennedy

On Sat., Dec. 14, 1985 we will make our pilgrimage to the Masonic Home in Utica to bring Christmas cheer to our Monroe District guests. All our guests look forward to visiting with someone from home.

Let's get on the bandwagon and show we care.

The bus will leave the Masonic Temple in Rochester at 8:30 a.m. — arrive at the Home approx. 11:00 a.m. — weather permitting.

Robert and Linda Zahn will provide coffee and doughnuts on the bus.

Each one is to bring their own box lunch and we will eat it in the cafeteria.

While lunching, Richard Dowe, Executive Director of the Home, will give us the highlights & answer questions.

The itinerary of the day will be given on the bus.

We will leave the Home at 3:30 p.m. and go to Trinkaus Manor for dinner. (Dutch Treat). This Christmas display is a sight to behold. Should be home approx. 9:00 p.m. The cost per person is \$12.00 round trip.

Brothers, your wife, dear

Hanukkah

By R. W. Maurice Solomon

On Sunday, December 8, 1985, brethren of the Jewish faith, in common with Jews throughout the world, will celebrate the festival of Hanukkah, an event which many people surprisingly believe is the Jewish equivalent of Christmas. This is a myth, and has no foundation in fact or in history.

Hanukkah predates Christmas by almost two centuries, and is regarded as a festival rather than a holy-day, since it is intended to celebrate a noteworthy event in Jewish history, characterized as a "miracle." The only possible association between the two is that frequently Hanukkah and Christmas occur very close to each other, and that it is a time for Jewish children traditionally to receive gifts, usually of money, in honor of the occasion.

The word "Hanukkah" means dedication, and the festival so-named commemorates the victory almost 200 years before common era (175 B.C.) by Jewish stalwarts who revolted against the brutal tyranny of their Syrian-Greek oppressors. These occupying forces had pillaged the holy sanctuary, erected profane statues and other idolatrous figures, and subjected the people to the most humiliating servitude.

The revolution was successful, the occupying forces were dispersed, and the leaders proceeded to the sanctuary for the purpose of cleansing and re-dedicating the holy shrine. One of the most sacred objectives was the "eternal light," which burned perpetually, and which was fueled by an oil the ingredients of which could only be prepared by the priests, who alone knew the secret. Strict search discovered only enough

Service & Rehabilitation

Canandaigua Veterans Hospital Schedule

December 5 - 8:45 a.m. in Building #5 to wrap Christmas Gifts. Finished by noon.
December 22 - 1:00 p.m. Christmas Party.

Brothers and Sisters, join with us on both these dates. Be a part of this outreach program. It will bring joy to your hearts and it will mean more than you know to those hospitalized men. See you there.

Warren Trimble
S. & R. Committee

friend or others interested are invited.

Please pay bus fare in advance to insure a seat as early as possible. Send check to Masonic Service Bureau, 875 E. Main Street, Rochester 14605. For reservations call either Warren Trimble 473-4351, or Harry Kennedy 586-1873.

The Wagon Masters

oil to burn for one day, and it would take several days for enough supplies to be prepared to keep the light burning.

Nevertheless, the light was kindled, and to the amazement and delight of the people, the small supply actually burned for eight days. In their eyes, this was regarded as a miracle, and to celebrate the event, it was decreed that there should be an annual commemoration to last eight days, during which lights (candles) would be lit, one the first day, two the second, and so on.

One of the major items closely associated with Hanukkah is the candelabra known as the menorah, and which today is identified with many things Jewish.

From the religious standpoint, Hanukkah, as explained above, is not a religious holiday (in the same sense, e.g. as Yom Kippur, Passover, Tabernacles, etc.) and Jews are permitted to go about their daily routines as in any ordinary day.

For those who may be further interested, references to the festival can be found in the first four chapters of the First Book of Maccabees, and also in the Bible, Numbers (chapters viii-xii), which give a fuller account of the historical background to Hanukkah.

To Jewish brethren - everywhere - a very happy Hanukkah!

NOTICE!

Due to the Christmas Holiday and the New Year weekend.

We will print the Monroe Masonic News early.

Please get your copy into the Masonic Service Bureau as early as possible.

Our Brothers volunteer to mail the paper... They could then have the Holidays free.

The Editor

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**Wakan-Hubbard
Lodge #1054**

2nd and 4th Mondays
Larry Beikirch, Master

**Children's
Christmas Party
December 15th**

Brethren:
Those of us who visited Coronation Lodge No. 677, A.F. & A.M., in Weston, Ontario, Canada, had a marvelous time and were royally entertained by the brethren of that Lodge. We look forward to reciprocating in April of next year.

Remember that our only meeting in December is the annual General Meeting at which we elect officers for the ensuing year, receive annual reports and adopt a budget. Please make every effort to attend this summons meeting.

The visit of our Grand Master, the Most Worshipful Calvin G. Bond, to the first meeting of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge on October 28th will be long remembered by all those who were present. The Grand Master graciously accepted Honorary membership in the Lodge and was presented with the Number 1 Membership card and pocket badge by R.:W.: Robert Pettit on behalf of the Lodge. The fine attendance on that evening bodes well for the future of our Lodge.

On that same evening, Brother George Long was present to receive his 70-year pin, as was Brother Eric Lewis to receive his 50-year pin from the Grand Lodge of Maryland and

a 55-year certificate from the Grand Lodge of the State of New York. Also, 25-year pins go to R.:W.: Robert Pettit, Brothers Donald Huse, Frank DeSantis, Donald Yeaton, Charles VanZile, Ralph Woodhall and Stanley Davies. I congratulate all of you on achieving these milestones in Masonry.

Remember that there will be a Christmas party for all the children (including grandchildren, nieces, nephews, etc.) of the members at the Lodge on December 15th at 2:00 p.m.

My very best wishes to all for the upcoming Holiday Season.
Fraternally,

NEWS AND VIEWS

Brethren:
Our organist, Brother James Ratcliffe, is home following surgery and we hear that he is progressing well.

Brother Roy Grundke tells us that his name never appears in the Masonic News. We may not print your name, Roy, but be assured that we are thinking of you and that the Lodge wishes you well.

Brother Carl Busack and his wife Gerta just celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary and all the brothers send them their congratulations.

Brother Ray Connolly and his wife Lali have celebrated their 50th anniversary. Ray is one of the more faithful brothers, and he and Lali are present at all our social functions. Our most sincere congratulations to this fine couple and a special kiss to Lali from your writer.

W: Charles Farrell is recovering well from a slight stroke.

As this is being written, R.:W.: Robert Pettit, W: Larry Beikirch and your writer are planning to attend the presentation of the Honorary Legion of Honor award by the DeMolay to the R.:W.: Robert C. Singer, Deputy Grand Master, on Long Island on November 16th. R.:W.: Bob has expressed the hope that for once the initial A. in my name does not stand for albatross.

Hooray! Wakan-Hubbard collected the attendance banner at the Grand Lecturers Convention for the Second Monroe District.

We hear that the grandson of R.:W.: Wally Losinger is in the Sectional football playoffs. Wally - you told me that you were only 21!

R.:W.: A. John Tijou

**PENFIELD UNION LODGE
No. 154**

1st and 3rd Tuesdays
Peter A. Shuryn Master

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No 797
3rd
Tuesday



Stephen R. Whittaker Master

Welcome and congratulations to our three newest Brothers, Brother Cameron Cox, Brother Bruce Frederes, and Brother Charles Goehle who were made Master Masons at our 19 November Stated Communication. Please take the time to say "Hello" and make them feel welcome into our fraternity.

Special thanks to Brother Paul A. Vick who presided at our 19 November Communication and conferred the Third Degree, and to W. Bro. Harry Kittredge who coordinated the Third Degree drama. Well done, Brethren.

Your individual participation in the Lodge's "Masonic Information Committee" is vital to our future. Please continue to send your referrals to Brother Richard Townsend for further information.

The season of giving is upon us; please keep in mind your necessary contributions to the Brotherhood Fund. Brother Stuart Walthour is the Lodge's Chairman for this year. Let us continue to improve upon our record of participation.

At our Annual Officers Retreat & Planning Seminar, Brother Wayne Hoover introduced the Lodge's Telephone Committee system. Please help your officers to make this the effective communications tool that it is intended to be.

Our Senior Warden, Brother Paul A. Vick, along with the officers of the Lodge have carefully prepared the 1986 program for our Lodge. Please feel free to contact any of them with your ideas.

At our Annual Meeting on 17 December, we look forward to having R.:W.: Robert Bahn, the current Junior Grand Warden, and R.:W.: Paul O'Neill, a Past Junior Grand Warden, with us for the evening. If at all possible, please mark your calendar and plan to be with us for this important Annual Communication.

As we review the 1985 year which is almost behind us, we can be pleased at the many accomplishments achieved by the Lodge. Perhaps the most important, however, is the constant nurturing of the "spreading of brotherly love, care, and affection" which makes our time-honored institution so special. Let us together be mindful of this basic precept of our Great Fraternity.

To those of you who have given of your time, effort, dedication, special talents, and your love for our Craft, we are truly thankful. It is these kinds of traits, actively contributing to our great Fraternity, that keep us moving forward.

We extend a special Holiday greeting to all of our members for an opportunity to share our love with our families and friends on the festivities of Christmas and Hanukkah. May each of you have a delightful season, filled with love and caring.

There is nothing in the world stronger than gentleness.

God Bless each of you.
Sincerely and fraternally,



W.: Ronald P. Kamp
Director of Development
and Communications

**Great Gifts
To Give**

Below is a list of items which the Laboratory needs in order to carry out research projects and building improvements. We would welcome any contributions that would enable us to purchase these. Provisions can be made to recognize an individual, lodge or district.

ITEM	COST
24 Heavy-duty bookends	\$ 50
6 Metal book shelves	\$ 195 each
Subscriptions to various medical journals (long-term commitment)	\$ 75 and up
2 Operational amplifiers	\$ 700 each
1 Video cassette system/camera	\$ 2000
1 Laser printer	\$ 6500
5 Terminals and peripherals for a multi-user computer system	\$ 5000 each

The Board of Directors and Staff wish to thank the following individuals and organizations for their great gifts.

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LODGE

No. 990

2nd Tuesday

Robert J. Guilfoil, Master



We Need Bowlers

Dear Bro:

The cold and snow is here and soon the year will come to an end, and so will my year as Master of Frank L. Simes Lodge. It has been an enjoyable experience as well as a wealth of knowledge for me. My wife and family are looking forward to having me back home more often, and I am looking forward to sitting on the sidelines which is something I never have done. The first meeting after I was raised I was whisked into the chairs; little did I know that six years later I would be Master of the Lodge. I thank all the Brothers who helped me along. It truly has been an unforgettable six years.

Frank L. Simes Lodge Bowling Team is in need of bowlers. Those of you who are interested should contact W. Bro. Dick Snyder. They bowl at Maiden Lanes on Wednesday nights starting at 8:30.

The Fellowcraft Club is having its annual Christmas Party at W. Bro. Glenn Stahl's home on Saturday Night December 17th.

Many thanks to Dick and Dode Guilfoil for hosting the Square Dance. Everyone who came had an excellent time and looks forward to coming back.

Welcome back to Rochester, Gary and Debbie Burke. Gary has returned to Rochester to accept a position with Penfield Plumbing and Heating. Look forward to seeing you in Lodge, Gary.

December 10th is our annual meeting and election of officers for the ensuing year. The elected officers are as follows: Bro. Mike Robinson, Master; Bro. Bill Baldwin, Sr. Warden; and Bro. Don Brown, Jr. Warden. I am confident these Bro. will be excellent leaders of our craft. Your support will be essential to their success, so come on out and join us.

In closing I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Fraternally yours,

Trestleboard

Dec. 10th - Annual meeting & election of officers - Open - 7:45 - Doric Hall
 Dec. 17th - Fellowcraft Club - Christmas Party - 8:00 - Glenn Stahl's Home
 Jan. 14th - Lodge Meeting - Open - 5:30 - Doric Hall -- Dinner - 6:30 - Third Floor Cafeteria -- Program: Installation of Officers

HENRIETTA LODGE
 No. 526

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2nd and 4th Tuesdays
 Master — Robert H. Aldrich

Only The Auto Is Antique



Following the ceremony uniting Mary T. Zwierzynski and Wayne W. Slack in marriage on Saturday, September 21, the bride and groom departed from Blessed Sacrament Church in a 1925 Jewett NuDay.

Wayne is currently Senior Deacon in Penfield Union Lodge, #154 and a member of Lalla Rookh Grotto.

Wayne's current hobby of restoring antique cars is a natural outgrowth from early childhood when he accompanied his family on outings in this car.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne H. Slack of Peachtree Road, Penfield. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Zwierzynski of Old Elm Drive, Sweden.

The bride, a graduate of Nazareth College, attended Universite de Haute Bretagne, Rennes, France, and is employed by Rochester Instrument Systems Inc. The bridegroom, a graduate of Rochester Precision Tool and Die Machine Institute, is employed by Genesee Metal Stampings Inc.

The newlyweds will reside at 27 Valley Brook Road, Penfield.

ETOLIAN LODGE
 No. 479
 2nd and 4th Mondays

J. Edward Gillott
 Master

Summoned Communication December 9th

Brethren:

The month of October was a busy one especially for our Junior Warden Bro. Eugene Brendel. Our first meeting of October was Move-Up Night with Bro. Eugene Brendel in the East. In giving recognition to those members who have assumed a unique role in the Lodge, Wor. Bro. Ruell Lovett has deemed them "Knights" and they are as follows: For seeing that Old Glory continues to fly over the Lodge Hall, Wor. Bro. Dennis Huffman, Knight of the Flag; for attending to our roof leaks, Wor. Bros. Jim Stuewe and Dale Rankin and Bro. Tom Michielsen, Knights of the Roof; for faithful attendance in the North, Wor. Bro. Chris Morgenberger and Bro. George Ford, Knights of the North; for their terms as Chaplains, Rt. Wor. Bro. Harold Pixley, Wor. Bros. Ed Prevost and Donald Walzer, Knights of the Faith; and to our dedicated Organist, Wor. Bro. Wally Lessord, our Knight of Music; and last but not least, Wor. Bro. Jim Powell, our Knight of Fellowship. To conclude the evening, a talk was given by Ms. Linda Spear of the Rochester Eye and Human Parts Bank, on the bequeathing of human organs.

The Community Breakfast of October was well attended. Bro. Eugene Brendel and committee deserve a vote of thanks for their efforts.

Another big event was

welcoming and entertaining our Canadian Brothers from Stanley Lodge in Toronto, on the 26th. Approximately thirteen members made the trip and enjoyed one of the smoothest Second Degrees by Wor. Bro. Jim Stuewe and Officers. The festivities relocated to the Pier 51 restaurant in Brockport for dinner which was followed by toasting and story telling. It was a beautiful and well organized occasion (thanks Gene) and we look forward to Etolians visit in Toronto next October 18th.

Past D.D.G.M. Rt. Wor. Bro. Warren Trimble spoke about the "Duties of Grand Lodge Officers" at the October 28th meeting. He is an interesting speaker and was well received. A proposed change in the By-Laws was also announced at this meeting. The proposal is to change the wording from "The annual dues shall be twenty-five dollars" to "The dues will be twenty dollars plus any Grand Lodge assessments per year." The reason for this is thus: Some years back when the dues were established at twenty-five dollars, the Grand Lodge portion was five dollars. The Lodge has continually absorbed the Grand Lodge increases to the point where the Lodge now receives seventeen dollars and fifty cents with seven dollars and fifty cents going to Grand Lodge. In 1986, the Lodge will receive seventeen dollars with eight dollars going to Grand Lodge. We will be voting on this

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Brotherhood Reports Due by End of Each Month

I would like to thank the Lodges that I have visited so far, for the warm and friendly way I have been received at the Official Visits. It has been a pleasure to once again see so many Brothers I already know and to meet new ones.

The Apron Presentation on October 11th will be one I will long remember. I thank W. Brother Merle Rogers D.S.A. for presenting me my apron, and for his kind words. I know we all enjoyed the Grand Master's speech, as it was very interesting. Congratulations are in order for R.:W.: Robert Rudman and his committee for a successful and enjoyable evening.

One more Brother at the Western Region Leadership

issue at our Summoned Communication on December 9th, at 8:00 p.m. The Election of Officers will also take place at this time.

December 16th will be our annual Christmas Party with Etolian Chapter. Bro. Dennis Tianello will be chairman if his work schedule permits.

If everything goes as planned, this should be my last article for the Masonic News. I tried to keep you informed as well as maintain your interest. I hope I haven't let you down. It's time to step down and give someone else a chance. Please give him your support.

May God's Richest Blessings be Yours this Holiday Season.

Fraternally,

Training Seminar on October 26th and 1st Monroe would have won the plaque for having the most Brothers in attendance. As it was, with 30 Brothers we shared with 3rd Erie. Under the able leadership of R.:W.: Ron Mertens and his committee, the seminar was a success. This was great for 1st and 2nd Monroe, with the Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master in attendance, we demonstrated the excellent work that Upstate New York does. R.:W.: Brother and Mrs. Stall did a fast printout of the attendance, which pleased the Grand Master; as he usually doesn't know for weeks afterwards. In 1st Monroe, remember to get your Brotherhood Fund reports in to W. Pat McNenny by the end of each month. We had the good fortune to come out ahead of 2nd Monroe last year. I know they will give us a run for our money this year, as they have a good leader.

To the Sr. Wardens: Remember the Joint Investiture on Monday, December 30th, 1985. If you are not going in as Master, make sure the Master-Elect knows of this date.

The Deputy Grand Master Robert C. Singer will be the guest speaker at the Grand Ball April 5th, 1986 at the Wishing Well. Also the Winter Party will be at Lodge on the Green February 8th, 1986.

Remember the more you put into Masonry, the more you'll get back in return.

Fraternally,



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**Give Our New Brothers
Responsibility In Lodge**

Brethren:

A recurring problem in all Lodges seems to be that many of our newly raised brethren fail to become active in Lodge activities and become "card carriers" rather than involved Masons. Somehow we must generate greater interest in these new Master Masons. I feel that the best way to do this is to give these new members responsibility in line with their capabilities. For example, I would suggest that if there is a vacant chair on any given evening, have him fill that chair. The Master or one of the Wardens should coach him quietly to avoid his being embarrassed by any mistakes that he might make. Or, he could be put on a Committee with more experienced brethren to help give him an insight as to the workings of the Lodge and to make him feel that he is making a meaningful contribution. Again, he could be asked to help coach candidates that immediately follow him in receiving their degrees. Keep the doors of communication open to be sure that you as Master or Warden are aware of any hidden talent that the new Brother might have that would be of benefit to the Lodge.

You are aware, I am sure, that Grand Lodge wishes to increase the per capita dues effective in 1987. There are many reasons why this increase is needed, and over the next few messages I plan to outline some of these reasons as presented by Grand Lodge. Right now, the per capita for Grand Lodge is \$7.50, of which \$3.25 is mandated by the Constitutions for the use of the Trustees of the Masonic Home, which means that Grand Lodge currently is operating on \$4.25 per member. With this present per capita fee,

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it is impossible for Grand Lodge to implement any new programs of any kind. I think that all would agree that there is a great need to communicate to the public as well as to the membership the story of Freemasonry, but this cannot be done without funds. The staff of Grand Lodge needs augmentation - again this costs money. With more staff, Grand Lodge could give all the Lodges more assistance with programming, solving of problems, and trouble-shooting in general. More on this in my next message.

Remember that the year is rapidly drawing to a close, and now is the time to give thought to the fact that any contributions made to the Brotherhood Fund constitute a deductible item in your income tax returns, and it might be that you can benefit by making an additional contribution now.

From our house to yours, Eleanor and I wish you a joyous holiday season and a good and prosperous New Year.

**GENESEE FALLS LODGE
No. 507**

2nd Thursday

Harry D. Edick Master

FAME LODGE

No. 945

2nd and 4th Tuesdays

Bob Hebner

Master

Another year has gone by and it is election time again. This has been a very interesting and very busy year. We have taken several steps forward and a few back. Attendance is up, interest is growing and the Lodge is on the move. It is my hope that you will continue your support next year and in the years to come.

Speaking of support, you all did it again. Charlotte Lodge has received another euvre lesson. The euvre spade stays in our possession. Fame won 324 to 317. The first place team was Charlie Thompson and John Zauner. Second place went to Keith Stambach and Ron Lang and third place was taken by Ken Rhodes and George Neighbors. Congratulations to each of these winners and many thanks to all who showed up in support. It was a fun night with lots of food and humor. I hope next year's Master will continue the battle. I will be glad to help chair the program.

Many thanks to Hesperus Lodge #837 in Bergen, for allowing David Schantz to take his second degree with their candidates. It was a most enjoyable evening.

Have you seen Len Johnson Sr. lately? He is wearing one heck of a big glove. I tried to warn him what happens if you get caught picking your nose. But seriously, folks - hope the hand gets better soon.

Please plan on attending the annual meeting December 10. This will be a very important night as we must also elect our new slate of officers. We will try to have a Christmas party after the meeting. If you would like to join in for some extra laughs why not bring a gag gift and we will have plenty of fun making the exchange. (Nothing over \$2.00 and nothing serious. Use your ingenuity.)

Thank you once again for allowing me the privilege of serving as your Master for 1985. I feel very honored and have enjoyed my term in office very much. Fame Lodge is one of the finest lodges in Masonry and you, its members, are the greatest. God Bless each and every one of you.

Let me also use this column to extend to each of you and your families the very best wishes for a Happy Holiday season and a most Happy and prosperous New Year.

Fraternally & cordially,

Trestleboard

Dec. 10, 1985 - Annual meeting and Christmas party with grab bag.

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President Gordon Davidson announced that all Masons are welcome at the Shrine Lunch Club noon luncheons in the Masonic Temple basement. Dr. Barton Baker, attorney, past president of the Club is Chairman for December and has scheduled the following programs.

● December 2 - Chief of Police Gordon Urlacher and Deputy Chief Roy Irving will talk about Crime, 1986 style.

● December 9 - For this date only, Chairman Thomas Paglia and Percy Klingenberg have arranged a Christmas party at Lakeshore Country Club, Greenleaf Road for which reservations are required.

● December 16 - (return to Masonic Temple) - Kodak and Rochester program.

● December 23 - Major George S. Payton - topic, "Christmas is for all." Ladies are invited.

● December 30 - Chief Rabban J. Rayford Whitley, topic "1986 will be better." Ladies are invited.

The noon luncheons are served at a bargain rate and do not require tipping.

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

Keith L. Masten,

Master



Brethren:

This will be my last message to you as Master of Ancient Craft Lodge. We will have one meeting in December which will be the election of officers for the ensuing year.

Our first and only meeting in January will be the installation of these officers. While I have the opportunity, I wish to thank all my officers and committees for a job well done.

Our first meeting in October was our Official Visit by R.:W.: Gerald K. Becker, D.D.G.M. of 1st Monroe District, as well as R.:W.: Alexander Arthur Jr., Grand Director of Ceremonies. Later on that evening we were pleasantly surprised by the visitation of R.:W.: Martin J. Reitz, D.D.G.M. of the Second Monroe District, as well as R.:W.: Jack S. Thibaut, Grand Steward.

At this writing, W.B. Delmar Miles is going back in the hospital for an operation. Let's get the visits, phone calls & cards to Del. We all wish him the best.

Let us not forget the Brotherhood Campaign. Our Lodge representative is John W. Selley, 38 Bancroft Dr., Rochester, N.Y. 14616. If you haven't already done so, send your contributions to him.

I have one more appeal to make. I realize that is a tough one, but we need the money. I'm referring to the ten dollars assessment to the Temple Civic Center. We have received some toward this. This assessment was for each member of our Lodge for 1984 and 1985. We would appreciate your help. Unfortunately we don't have these funds to be able to pay all of it.

May you all have a pleasant Holiday season and much health and happiness.

Fraternally,

FROM THE SECRETARY

Brethren,

It is time for our annual meeting again. So please pay heed, if at all possible, to the following notice.

In accordance with Section 302 of the Book of Constitutions you are hereby summoned

to attend the Annual Meeting of Ancient Craft Lodge #943, F&AM to be held at the Masonic Temple, 875 East Main Street, Rochester, New York at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 11, 1985.

The purpose of this meeting is the election of officers for 1986 and the submission of the annual reports pertaining to the status of the Lodge.

(signed)
Keith L. Masten
Master

(attest)
Leon R. Perkins
Secretary

Dues, or rather the lack of them, are still a problem. At this writing there are five brothers that are in imminent danger of becoming unaffiliated for non-payment of dues. If this occurs it means that they will be dropped from all other Masonic bodies at that time. Please make an attempt to pay some of your back dues and don't let this happen. Masonry needs you to survive and we need you to keep our Lodge alive.

Three of our brothers have moved and we have no current forwarding address for them. If anyone knows of their whereabouts please contact me at (716) 924-5657. They are:

Howard B. Fisher
3539 Craiglee Circle
West Covina, CA 91791

Cornelius J. MacDonald
2329 E. Mission
Escondido, CA 92036

Gordon A. Meyer
1240 Taylor Avenue
Arnold, MD 21012

We are planning some interesting programs for next year and we need your attendance. It is discouraging to the officers and brothers to prepare and present a program to empty sidelines. Please do both of us, you and the Lodge, a favor and come join us for an evening of fellowship. We have got the old card games going after the meetings again. Hope to see some new old faces again.

Fraternally,
Lee Perkins
Secretary

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Em. Comm. Ronald J. Bertie
P. Comm. R.E. Huff, Reporter

"You are hereby **SUMMONED** to attend the Annual Regular Conclave of Cyrene Commandery #39 K.T. on January 10th, 1986 for the purpose of Reading of Reports of Committees and such other business as may regularly come before the Commandery. This is a **SUMMONED** Conclave."

Our Em. Commander Ronald J. Bertie and his wife wish all of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Families gathering around the Christmas tree is a grand event to all. All have a Merry and a Happy time. Drive carefully and remember the other driver has rights, too.

There will be but one Conclave in Dec. 1985. This will be held on the 13th of December, Masonic Temple, Rochester, N.Y. 7:30 p.m.

We will have a combined Christmas Toast on the 20th of December. This includes the two Commanderies and their friends. Monroe Commandery this year is the Host Commandery. Time 8 p.m. in Cathedral Hall, Masonic Temple, Rochester, N.Y. Very interesting to attend so please come.

Some of you S.K.'s have not paid your 1985 dues as yet and they are still due so please do it as soon as you can. Low on cash at this time.

We have no deaths to report at this time or any new sickness to report. If you can pay a visit at this time, it will be deeply appreciated. If not, please send cards. Remember none of us are getting any younger.

The Temple will be closed the last two weeks of Jan., Feb. & Mar. 1986 so schedule all activities the 1st two weeks of the months.

P.S.: Just a reminder to all who belong to the Genesee York Rite College #25 that we have our Dec. meeting on the 10th and a dinner at the Village Landing Rest. Meeting to be in the Fairport Masonic Temple. Should have received notices by this time.

P.S.: As President of Zone II Commandery and Commander of Cyrene Commandery Ronald J. Bertie wants to thank S.K. Douglas Peebles and S.K. Ronald Brown. S.K. Peebles organized the Drill Team for Zone II Commandery. S.K. Peebles and S.K. Brown drilled the Drill Team every week during the summer. The Zone II Drill Team came in 2nd place during the Drill competition at the Grand Commandery Conclave in Buffalo, N.Y. There were 5 Drill Teams in the competition. S.K. Peebles and S.K. Brown hope that the Drill Team will win first place next year. S.K.'s from every Commandery in Zone II were involved in the Drill Team. Zone II can be proud of its Drill Team.

Believe that is all for this time but have a safe holiday time. The saying this month is "I'll be aware of God's great riches to me, today and always." Have fun till next time.

Fraternally yours,

Honored at Dinner



M.I. Raymond R. Beardsley
Grand Master of Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of New York

More than 185 Brothers and their ladies honored R.I.: Raymond R. Beardsley by attending a testimonial dinner October 19, 1985. He is the 9th member of Doric Council #19, Rochester, to serve Grand Council as Grand Master. The first was R.I.: Thomas Glidden who was elected Grand Master in 1883. Over the years Doric Council #19 has sent 51 of its members to serve Grand Council in capacities other than Grand Master.

The evening was especially happy for the Beardsleys as the entire family was together. Family, friends and Cryptic Masons traveled from various parts of New York State, as well as other states, to share with the Grand Master this special evening.

IONIC CHAPTER No. 210

ROYAL ARCH MASONS
2nd and 4th Tuesdays

Ex. H.P. Ronald J. Bertie
P.H.P. R.E. Huff, Reporter

You are hereby **Summoned** to attend the annual Regular Meeting of Ionic Chapter #210 R.A.M. on Dec. 10th, 1985 for the purpose of election of Officers, Reports of Committees and such other business as may regularly come before the Chapter. This is a **SUMMONED** meeting.

The Ex. High Priest Ronald J. Bertie and his wife wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year. Remember we live in a pretty good country so give thanks for that privilege.

Thanks go to all who attended the Chapter Festival on Oct. 19th in Cathedral Hall, Masonic Temple, Rochester, N.Y. To the new members who joined our Chapter, we wish you all the good things that will come your way. Please come out when you can and be with us. The only way you will get anything out of it.

Remember we will have but one meeting in Dec. and that is our Annual meeting. We would like to see you all there this time. To the new Officers who will take over at that time, good luck.

Our High Priest, Ronald J. Bertie wishes to thank all for their support and attendance during his year of service. He had a very good year with 9 new members taken in to the Chapter. We are doing very well right now and hope that it will continue in the future. It all

MONROE COMMANDERY
No. 12
KNIGHTS
TEMPLAR
1st and 3rd
Fridays



Chartered in 1827

Harry C. Coates Commander

Sir Knights:

Another month has come and gone; many of you I saw and many I didn't. The ones I didn't see, I hope that they were on vacation, or just plain tied up with work.

Anyhow, by the time you get this letter, we already had our festival. And we have some new Knights. So do try and get out and support these new Knights.

Things to get ready for:
December 6th - there will be a Dinner Meeting with your ladies. We will have movies by Hugh Robertson, which should be an exciting evening.

December 20th - We will have our Christmas toasts. Our speaker will be Charles Roberts. He will be speaking on his trip to the Holy Land.

Please come out and support these events. Show these Knights your appreciation.

Reservations are a must for December 6th, since the ladies need some kind of a count.

I would like to wish everyone and their families a Merry Christmas & a Very Happy New Year.

Birthday Wishes are in Order for:

- Raymond R. Beardsley
- Harry D. Benham Sr.
- Charles Bouras
- Richard A. Colin
- Harold Goodwin
- Frank Horton
- Frederick G. Hull
- David F. Long
- William E. Miner Jr.
- Emerson C. Pfeifer
- Richard R. Sidman
- Frederick A. Stahl
- Clarence A. Tegart
- John Thompson
- Darwin C. Turner

To these Knights, Happy Birthday and God be with us all.

depends on you and me doing our part. Let's give it a try.

The dues are coming in fairly well for 1985 but to you who have not: Remember two years is harder to pay than be on time with one. Would like to have all of you stay with us. Please do.

We have no deaths to report at this time in our Chapter. No new sickness to report. Please, if you can, pay them a visit at this time. It means so much. Send cards when you can.

Believe that is all for this time except this saying: "Seeds that we have planted, you and me, are ready to be harvested back in miracles for you and me." Read this again. Till next time have fun.

Fraternally yours,

Please remember the Masonic Service Bureau in your will
Thank You.

HAMILTON CHAPTER
No. 62
ROYAL ARCH
MASONS
2nd and 4th
Thursdays
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ANNUAL SUMMONS

In compliance with Section 33 of the Constitution of the State of New York, Royal Arch Masons, you are hereby summoned to attend the Annual Stated Convocation of Hamilton Chapter No. 62, Royal Arch Masons to be held in Ionic Hall, Masonic Temple, 875 Main Street East, Rochester, New York on Thursday evening, December 12th, 1985 at 7:30 p.m., at which time the officers will be elected for the ensuing year, and such business transacted as may properly come before the meeting.

Ex. Robert E. Phelps
High Priest

ATTEST:

R. Ex. Richard J. Oliver
Secretary

Companions:

It is my sad duty to report the death on October 24th of companion and friend, Most Excellent Sylvanus F. Nye, past Grand High Priest (1964) of Royal Arch Masons. He will be missed by Royal Arch Masons throughout the state and beyond.

All of the Royal Arch degrees were conferred on a class of fifty candidates at the Second Statewide Festival of the Grand Chapter, State of New York Royal Arch Masons on November 2, 1985. The festival was hosted by the Twenty-Seventh Caputular District under the fine supervision of R.E.: Stanley V. Peterson, District Deputy Grand High Priest. Most Excellent Grand High Priest Sheldon K. Blank and many other past and present Grand Officers were in attendance. Hamilton Chapter #62 had four new members receive the degrees. They are companions Chapin Blake, Christopher Gagliano, Stanley J. Grenn and Laszlo Tuczai. Welcome these new companions at your first opportunity.

Finally, Hamilton Chapter's Annual Stated Convocation will be at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, December 12 in Ionic Hall, Rochester Masonic Temple. The 1986 officers will be elected at this time and such other business as is necessary will be transacted. In addition, several 25-year certificates will be presented. Please plan to attend.

Preceding the Annual Convocation there will be a dinner served promptly at 6:30 p.m. in the third floor dining room by the Order of the Dirty Napkin of Northfield Lodge. Dinner reservations are a must. Telephone me at 381-9336 at home or 477-3395 (at work 8-5) or the King Don Wright at 621-5764 or the Scribe Robert Wright at 482-1369.

DORIC COUNCIL No. 19
CRYPTIC
MASONS
4th Monday
Chartered in
1861



Ill. Master Frederick S. Holderle
P. Ill.M. R.E. Huff, Reporter

Our Ill. Master, Frederick S. Holderle and his wife Dorothy want to wish all of you and your families a very Happy and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May you all be safe and happy thru the Holidays.

The Reception for our Most Ill. Grand Master, Raymond R. Beardsley, held on October 19th, 1985 at the Marriott Hotel was a great success and all who attended were well repayed for coming. Thanks to all.

There will be an early meeting in Dec. 1985 and it will be on the 2nd Monday, Dec. 9th, 1985. The Select Master Degree will be put on for Candidates at this time. All those who had their Royal Master Degree on the 25th of Nov. please be at this meeting. This will conclude the degrees in the Council.

Please remember that the Masonic Temple will be closed again for the last two weeks of Jan., Feb. & Mar. 1986. Schedule all events for the first two weeks of those months.

We were very sad to hear of the death of M.I. Sylvanus F. Nye, Grand Recorder of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of New York.

We have no deaths or new sickness to report about our Council as of this recording. Please send them cards or pay them a visit if you can.

We still have some of you who have not paid your 1985 dues. Remember it gets tough to pay two years at once. The 1986 dues will be due now so please attend to this ASAP. Thanks.

Have a Happy and I believe that is all for now except this saying: "In my prayers to God for the healing of another person I have an opportunity for God to heal me." Let's all try and remember them in our prayers. Thanks. Have fun till next time.

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YONNONDIO LODGE No. 163
1st and 3rd Tuesdays
Emil J. Schirano Master



Election Will Be December 17

Brethren:
THANK YOU ALL. With your support we have made this a wonderful and successful year here at Yonnonodio Lodge. So many of you have given much of your time and effort to make this year a success. I want to give a special thanks to all my Line Officers, and the Trustees, to Everett Hoak our T.C.C. Rep., Brion Phelps our Brotherhood Chairman, Neil Cassata our Statue of Liberty Chairman, and a great big THANK YOU TO OUR SECRETARY LARRY CANFIELD for all the help you have given me throughout the year. I can go on and on. I would like to mention the names of everyone who has helped and supported me, but I don't think the Masonic News would like me to take up the whole newspaper. My year as your Master has been most enjoyable and rewarding for me and my wife; we have traveled and have met many new friends.

Also a special thanks to all the 1985 Masters and their wives for the good times we had for the last three years.

Our Ladies Night dinner and dance with Charlotte Lodge at the Crescent Beach Hotel was a big success. We had 73 people in attendance, the food was good as was the music. The ladies loved their gift. It was a brass

oval picture frame and an instant photo was taken of each couple and placed in the frame as a remembrance of the evening. Also that evening, a cake was brought out for our Tiler Don Ballou who was celebrating his 81st birthday. Everyone sang happy birthday and wished him the best of luck.

Also on the same evening, the Master of Charlotte Lodge Keith Stambach presented Yonnonodio Lodge with the FUR LINED GOLF TROPHY that we had won earlier in the year. Wor. Stambach said we should enjoy it while we can because they expect to get it back soon.

On Oct. 15th we had our 1st Degree. We had seven new members for the evening. Our Sr. Warden Brother Lou Campaniello was in the East and as usual he and all the Officers did an excellent job. As I am writing this, our Jr. Warden Michael Bell along with his Officers are preparing for the 2nd Degree. I know they will do just fine.

The first meeting on December 3rd will be Move Up Night for all the Officers so please come and give them your support.

Also, December 17th will be the Annual meeting and also the Election of Officers. This will be an important meeting and would like to see as many of the members as possible at this meeting. Even if you haven't been to a meeting all year please try to make the Annual meeting.

As you know, this will be my last article as Master of Yonnonodio Lodge. I have had a warm and wonderful year; with your help we have done a lot. We brought in 12 new members, formed a new Sister Lodge from Toronto, Can., had a great bowling party, a great golf tournament, a wonderful Mothers Day program in Lodge, a very nice Ladies Night dinner & dance, and much, much more.

Brothers, please, your Master will need your support and help, so come to Lodge. We need each and everyone.

My wife Joyce and I wish you and yours a safe and wonderful Christmas and may the New

Year bring all the best to you and your families.

GOD BLESS YOU ALL.

Fraternally,

Trestleboard

- Dec. 3rd - Move Up Night
- Dec. 10th - Officers Meeting to be announced
- Dec. 17th - Annual Meeting & Election of Officers (PLEASE COME)
- Jan. 7th, 1986 - Installation of Officers

FROM THE SECRETARY

Lawrence K. Canfield

As the year of 1985 nears conclusion, I would like to take a moment to thank the Lodge for giving me the opportunity to serve as your secretary. This year has not only been rewarding but we also made several advances in the operation of your Lodge. Many things were put in place that will soon benefit the members and officers. This will be accomplished through the use of our computer. Our Lodge records are now all current thanks to W.: Gordon Mosher who started the process and set me on the right road to complete it. Thanks again, Gordon. To the officers it was a very rewarding year to be associated with the fine group of Brothers that served the Lodge this year. The work and things that were accomplished, you can be proud. A special tip of the hat to the Worshipful Master Emil Schirano...it was a pleasure to work and be associated with you. Each Master looks forward to putting a Brother in line and he will go on to be Master. This was the case with Emil and it is a good feeling.

There are difficult times ahead for the Temple and Masonry as a whole, declining membership and more. The officers in the coming year will have to meet these challenges. Now more than ever the help and support of the membership is essential if we are to continue in the fine work of the fraternity.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to serve the Lodge and Masonry, and to each and every one of the officers, members, friends and family, may this holiday be God's blessing to each of you.

Fraternally yours,

EAST ROCHESTER LODGE No. 1020
2nd and 4th Tuesdays
Keith M. Fisher Master,

1st Monroe District Deputy Grand Master

R.: W.: Gerald K. Becker



December 4th — 9:00 A.M.
December 22nd — 1:00 P.M.
V.A. Hospital Visits

My Brethren:

A big thank you to R.:W.: Bob Rudman and his committee for a great job on the official apron presentation nite. The food, service and all was just great. Thank you. Also I was pleased with the turnout and thank all who attended.

Brothers, I must say I was disappointed somewhat on the seminar held on the 26th Oct. at the Temple, 875 Main St. A number of lodges from both districts did not have anyone represented. For you who attended I say THANK YOU. You gained wisdom and friendship. You who did not, lost out. The 1st Monroe tied for 1st place with 3rd Erie for attendance and received a plaque from our Grand Master. Please next year make it a must. You will win.

The Grand Lecturers convention was very poorly attended. I grant it was held on a poor night but the A.G.L. had no other prerogative. I really enjoyed myself with R.:W.: James Higgins and the A.G.L. and the rest of the Brethren. The visit was very smoothly run. Thanks Bill & John.

Brethren, I am going to sneak some news in on R.:W.: Warren Trimble. On Dec. 4th at 9:00 a.m. at the V.A. Hospital in Canandaigua to help wrap Xmas gifts. Also on Sun., Dec. 22nd at 1:00 p.m. help will be needed to pass out gifts. This will be in Bldg. 5. I hope some retired Brethren can get out to help.

I had the pleasure of attending the Ontario-Seneca-Yates annual communion breakfast in Phelps on the 2nd of Nov. They had a great turnout. R.:W.: Robert Singer, our Deputy Grand Master, was the speaker. Once again, R.:W.: Bob did a tremendous job. He informed us that next June in Utica on St. John's Day weekend we would have a world reknowned speaker. You will hear more on this later. But above all, save that weekend.

Neither R.:W.: Marty or I have completed our official visits as yet; but we are nearly completed. At this time I would like to thank all the Masters for the warm reception that we have

received. I have enjoyed the visits.

In closing, as this will be the last news of this year, I say may God grant you the very best for the holidays for you and your families. Until we meet on the L. may you continue in the best of health and be active. God bless you all.

Love & peace,

A Big Thank You

To R.:W.: Ron Mertens:

On behalf of R.:W.: Martin Reitz & myself, we would like to personally thank you and R.:W.: Fred Stahl and all the R.:W.: & W.: who did such a very successful job on the recent seminar held in Rochester. Also to Mrs. H. Stahl, for the computer readout on the attendance was just fabulous. Our G.:M.: Bond was most appreciative. Well done, good & faithful servants.

Fraternally,

R.:W.: G. (Chick) Becker
D.D.G.M. 1st Monroe

Monroe Lodge No. 173
Charter Granted 1850
Melvin Doverspike Master

Brethren:

Monroe Lodge put on its first Annual Corned Beef Dinner November 9, and it was a great success. Thanks go out to all the Brothers who helped make it a great night. A special thanks go to the ladies of Mary Jane Holmes Chapter who helped serve the dinner.

On December 10, R.:W.: Gerald K. Becker, D.D.G.M. of the First Monroe District, will have an Official Visit at Monroe Lodge. Also that evening we will be presenting R.:W.: Jack A. Low with his 50-year pin. He was Master in 1949. There will be a dinner before the meeting at 6:30. If you are planning to attend the dinner, please contact B. Roy Gould at 637-6419 or W. Melvin Doverspike at 638-6830 by Dec. 7. The meeting will start at 7:30.

I would like to express my thanks to W. Keith Stambach and Charlotte Lodge No. 1088 for allowing us to bring Br. Mike Socha to their Lodge on Nov. 19, and putting on the Third Degree. It was a job well done.

Also our Dec. 10th meeting will be election of officers. All members should be at this meeting. Hope to see everyone out.

I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy Holidays. Hope to see everyone next year.

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Ladies Organization News



Fidelity Triangle



Fidelity Triangle Officers

Oct. 11-12-13-14 — The thirtieth, bi-annual, statewide Convention of the Organization of Triangles Inc., was held at the Stevensville Country Club at Swan Lake, N.Y. About 44 Triangles were represented, and about 550 girls and parents and state officers attended the convention, including 21 girls and parents from Fidelity Triangle #4. The 4-day program was interesting and informative.

Triangle Dad, R.:W.: Joseph Dimino, obtained a bus, and drove us to and from the convention and stayed with us at the Convention. Many thanks to Dad Dimino, whose daughters were Triangle Girls.

Guests and speakers at the Convention included, the Grand Master, M.:W.: Calvin Bond; R.:W.: Sheldon Blank, Grand High Priest of Royal Arch Masons; Mrs. Hazel Koch, our State Director; W.: J. Edward Kraus, Chairman of the Convention; Miss Pauline Overturf, Deputy State Director; and Mrs. Irene Mann, Past State Director.

Oct. 17-18-19 — Fidelity Triangle had a booth at the Charity Bazaar at Greece Town Mall, where we sold homemade articles, to raise money for our regular Charity Program.

Oct. 26 — Regular meeting and election of new officers for the new term. Beloved Queen, Gretchen Rist; Senior Lady in Waiting, Debbie Thompson; Junior Lady in Waiting, Ann Marie DiJames; Guardian, Laurie Ferguson; Chaplain, Leslie Valincourt; Trustee, retiring Queen Peggy Echavarría; Marshall, Kim Curtis; Asst. Marshall, Michelle Grota; Flag Bearer, Danine Nilsen; Financial Secretary, Ann Kverneland; Recording Secretary, Past Queen Christine Bertie, who is also Junior Advisor. Congratulations to Christine Bertie on her appointment as Junior Advisor of Monroe District.

Merry Xmas and Happy New Year to one and all.

LET'S GO VISITING

NOLA CHAPTER No. 368 Order of the Eastern Star

Avis Theis Corres.

Dear Members,

This is the last letter of this year. It has been a nice year at Nola and we are looking forward to another New Year.

We extend get-well wishes to R.W. Lois Vail, W. Ada Henry, W. Jessie Lorn and W. Bernie Riley.

The sympathy of the Chapter is extended to S. Marion Beardsley and family on the death of her grandson Douglas Brew.

Dec. 3rd will be our Annual meeting. This is also the time of year to catch up on our dues.

The W.M. Anita Drake and W.P. John Lenzi thank all who have helped them in any way to make this year a happy and successful one.

Only with our hearts can we feel the miracle of Christmas.

"May the beauty of Christmas be with you and then may its miracle touch you again and again."

A Very Merry Christmas to you and yours.

Fraternally,

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



William Baker

Master

Brethren, your lack of support to the Lodge has brought us to our knees and we now face the agonizing position of seeking to consolidate with another lodge. Our Worshipful Master, William E. Baker has appointed a committee consisting of himself, Rt. Wor. Warren Trimble, Jr., D.S.A., Rt. Wor. Bertram Steene, Wor. Donald Fox, Wor. Harry Ellender and Bro. Frank Newman to seek out a virile and strong lodge which can readily assimilate us.

This committee met after the meeting on November 4, 1985, to discuss which lodge we should approach with our request. After eliminating those lodges that are not readily accessible for travel by our members and those with problems of their own, it was a final consensus that four lodges in Monroe County met the criteria that we had established.

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4. Ample storage room for our records, costumes and lodge paraphernalia.
5. A complete line of officers.
6. Younger members and new petitioners.
7. A friendly attitude to visitors.

Your committee has visited these four lodges and observed for themselves and asked questions that would help them in their deliberations that we will

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

Awarded Attendance Banner

Brethren:

Thanks to all that ventured out on Halloween night to attend the Grand Lecturers Convention downtown. We were all rewarded with knowledge of the Fellowcraft Degree as only R.W. Higgins can present it. Webster Lodge was once again successful in being awarded the attendance banner for another year.

We are saddened to learn that Bro. Norman Merhoff has been called home by The Great Architect of the Universe.

During the visit of Ionic Lodge at Webster in September, Brother Howard Bunn took pictures of various happenings throughout the day. He then made up two photo albums containing these pictures, and with room to accommodate pictures of future visits. Brother Bunn presented one of those albums to Webster Lodge to be kept in the archives as a permanent record of our exchange visits. The second album will be presented to Ionic Lodge. Webster Lodge expresses its gratitude to Bro. Bunn for his efforts in recognizing the need for such a project, and taking it upon himself to undertake it.

I hope everyone that can will attend Past Masters Nite on December 5.

Fraternally,
L. Warren Patterson
Senior Warden

Trestleboard

- December 5 - Past Masters Nite
- December 11 - Fellowcraft Club Annual Meeting - Steak Roast
- December 19 - Annual Meeting - Formal Dinner

Craftsman Lodge

No. 969

F.&A.M.

1st and 3rd

Mondays

Kenneth L. Goodrich Master

The December 8th Christmas Party is approaching quickly. Be sure to bring your children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews to see Santa Claus. He'll be at the Webster Masonic Temple from 2-4:30 p.m. with gifts for children 12 and under. Call either Clyde Siverd (334-3642) or Ken Goodrich (288-5157) for information.

An officers meeting will be held at the home of Vern Goodrich on December 12. This will be a dinner meeting. For reservations call Vern Goodrich at 381-6568.

Reservations are being taken for the December 16 annual meeting. Dinner is at 6:30 sharp. Plan to attend. Election and Installation of Officers will be held that evening.

Fraternally,

Masonic Gothic

Bowling League

By W. R. Adrian Soloman

ASHLAR RALLIES, SPLITS WITH QUADRANTS

The Ashlar bowling team, a perennial near cellar dweller for the last several seasons, is definitely a different team this year. The Ashlar team is currently in a three-way tie for first place with the Mauls, and defending champion Quadrants. On the eighth evening of bowling, Ashlar and Quadrants started out tied. The Quadrants won the first game quite convincingly, but Ashlar rallied to take two closely contested games, leaving Quadrants with only one win and total pin count for the night's work. The other first place team, the Mauls, also split, winning only one game plus total pin count from the fourth place Lawrence team, who are only two points back.

The rest of the league did change positions, with Flower City, the All Stars, and the Brothers 5 Plus moving up in the standings, and the Tall Cedars and Henrietta I dropping back.

NEW RULE IN EFFECT

There is a new rule in effect in the Masonic Gothic Bowling League. Now, each team is allowed to have a maximum of two non-Masons on their rosters. This move is an attempt to bolster sagging participation. These non-Masons will not be eligible for the State-wide Tournament in the spring, however.

Standings after 8 weeks

Position	TEAM	WON	LOST	POINTS
1	Ashlar	14	10	38
1	Mauls	12	12	38
1	Quadrants	14	10	38
4	Lawrence	15	9	36
5	Flower City	13	11	34
6	All Stars	12	12	32
7	Brothers 5 Plus	10	14	28
7	Tall Cedars	10	14	28
9	Henrietta I	10	14	26
10	Hubbard	10	14	22

CHARLOTTE LODGE No. 1088

1st and 3rd Tuesdays

Keith Stambach Master

Brethren,

November was another busy month for your Lodge. At our meeting on Nov. 5th, our Treasurer Wor. Bro. Tom Van Lare updated us on our financial condition and recommended some changes in our accounts. On Nov. 19th we conferred the Third Degree on 3 Brothers from Murray Lodge and 1 Brother from Monroe Lodge, preceded by a fine Roast Beef Dinner. If you weren't there, you missed a good one!

At our semi-annual Euchre Tournament with Fame Lodge we again lost the "Golden Spade" by a total of seven points. First place went to Charlie Thompson and John Zauner of Fame and second place to Ron Langworthy and Keith Stambach of Charlotte. It was a great time and all the fun people were there. Join us for the next one!

On Dec. 3 is the official visit of the D.D.G.M. Martin Reitz and we hope to have a fine turnout to hear his message.

On Dec. 15th at 2:00 p.m. is the Annual Children's Christmas Party at the Lodge. Bring out your children, grandchildren and, yes, the neighbors too for this one. Gifts, songs, clowns and refreshments.

On Dec. 17th is our annual

Summons Meeting and Election of Officers for 1986. Please attend and see what your Lodge is doing.

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS
Wor. Bro. Luke Grande is at home and would welcome visitors.

Bro. Ken Strauss has been in the hospital for tests and we hope he is doing well.

Bro. Jim Radcliff was in the hospital for surgery and things are looking good at last report.

Fraternally,

TRESTLEBOARD

Dec. 3 - D.D.G.M. official visit (Tux)

Dec. 15 - Children's XMAS Party (2:00 p.m. Lodge)

Dec. 17 - Annual Meeting and Election of Officers for 1986

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Brethren:

As usual, I think our steak roast was a great success. I wish to thank everyone for coming and a special thanks to those who helped prepare the salad, cook and clean-up. A job well done!

Congratulations are in order for Bro. Wiles Converse for a beautiful 2nd Degree. All who had parts did excellent work and it was great to see so many on the sidelines.

On December 5th we will confer the 3rd Degree at 7:30 preceded by a roast beef dinner at 6:30. Reservations are a must and should be in no later than Monday, Dec. 2nd. If the calling committee does not get in touch with you, please call me at 381-3032. December 19th is a very important meeting. It's our annual meeting and election of officers. Please try very hard to attend.

Our Christmas Party will be on Saturday, December 21st from 7:30 p.m. until everyone has gone home. I would like some help with this — people are needed to bring some dips and things and others to bring some cookies or your favorite sweet to eat. Please call if you can help. Thanks.

As this is my last article as Master I want to thank every Brother in Lodge who helped me this year. You made it very easy. I also wish to thank all the Brothers who came and visited at various times throughout the year. Last but not least, my thanks to Northfield for letting me serve as Master. It is a real honor and privilege.

In closing, remember Installation of Officers will be on Thursday, January 2, 1986. There will be a dinner beforehand and, once again, please call me for reservations. Hope you all have a happy and safe holiday season.

TRESTLEBOARD

Dec. 5th - 2nd Degree at 7:30;
Dinner at 6:30

Dec. 19th - Annual meeting

Dec. 21st - Christmas Party

Jan. 2nd - Installation of
Officers and dinner

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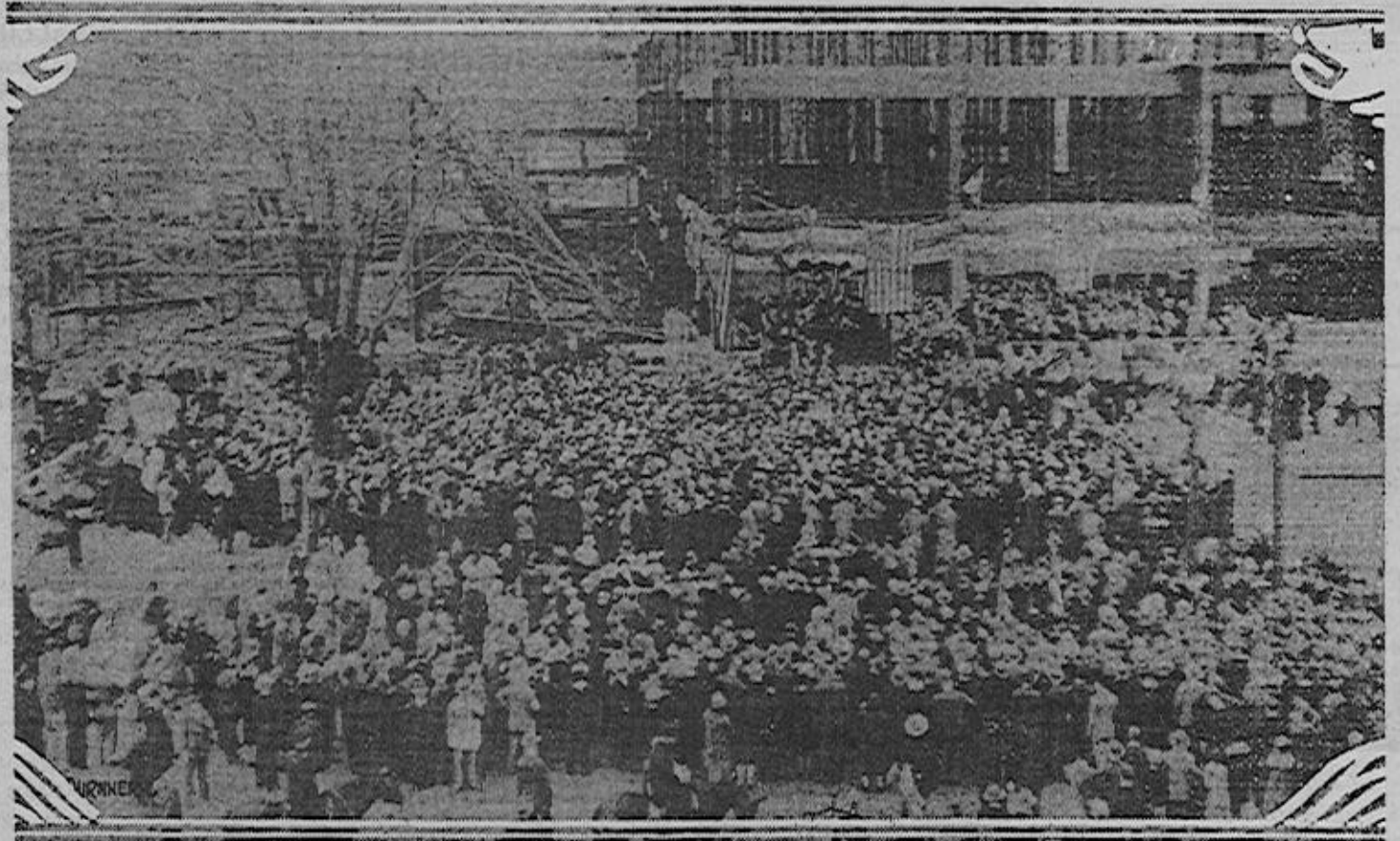
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As Masons Set Cornerstone Of New Temple Here



Five thousand Free Masons of Rochester marched to the site of their new Masonic Temple at Main Street East and Prince Street Saturday afternoon for the laying of the cornerstone of the new building. The upper photograph shows crowds gathered before the steel framework of the new building for the ceremonies. Below is shown Grand Master Harold J. Richardson of Lowville about to spread mortar under the huge stone.



Many Here Witness Cornerstone Laying At Masonic Temple

Parade of 5,000 Members of Organization, with Uniformed Units, Precedes Ceremony—Box Containing Old and New Records Put in Block.

Thousands of Rochesterians witnessed the impressive ceremony Saturday when the granite cornerstone, engraved with the ancient symbols of Free Masonry, was set into the foundation of the new Masonic Temple at Main and Prince streets.

The ceremony of the cornerstone laying was preceded by a parade in which 5,000 Masons participated. The marchers formed at Franklin Square and continued through Clinton Avenue to Main Street, where they were reviewed by Grand Master Harold J. Richardson of Lowville and other officers of the Grand Lodge. The marchers continued through Main Street East to the site of the new building.

Mounted police preceded the parade marshal, Major Arthur T. Smith, and his staff and the entire first division of marchers was composed of uniformed bodies, including the Shrine Band, the Shrine Patrol, the Shrine Legion of Honor, the Shrine Chanters, the DeMolay Band and Monroe and Cyrene Commanderies, Knights Templar.

The second division was headed

by the Grotto Fife and Drum Corps, and the third division consisted of marchers who were not in uniform.

Grand Master Richardson spread mortar around a copper box containing records taken from the cornerstone box of the old temple, copies of Rochester newspapers for Saturday and other records and the cornerstone was then lowered into place by pulleys. Invocation was pronounced and Grand Master Richardson addressed the crowd briefly.

Bishop Ferris, who made the main address of the ceremony, briefly reviewed the history of Masonry in Rochester and told how the continuous growth of the craft had made it necessary that the old temple building, which had been occupied since 1903, be replaced by a new edifice.

"If this ceremony were dedicated merely to a building, it would mean little to us," said Bishop Ferris. "But you cannot judge Masonry by its buildings; rather, the order is to be judged by its ideals and because of its ideals Masonry is a civic asset to any community."

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Master

Brethren,

I hope your Thanksgiving Dinner was a good one, and the

coming holidays be the best ever.

Those who couldn't make our first November meeting missed an excellent one. W.B. Don Wright spoke on Masonic history, that was enjoyable listening by all. His closing message referred to why so many Brothers turned out for the 3rd Degree was that possibly the history behind it, and em-

phasized that keeping Masonic education and history an interesting part of being a Mason. Our thanks to Brother Don for his talk well done.

Dec. 17 is Election of Officers and we look forward to seeing you there as the year winds down with its Annual Summons.

Fraternally,
Dick Barnes, S.W.

Facts about AIDS

What is AIDS?

AIDS is a serious condition, characterized by a specific defect in natural immunity against disease. People who suffer from AIDS become susceptible to a variety of rare illnesses. These illnesses are not usually found in people whose immune system is normal; if they occur, they are relatively mild. The two diseases most commonly found in AIDS patients are Penumocystis carinii pneumonia, a lung infection caused by a parasite, and Kaposi's sarcoma, a rare form of cancer or tumor of the blood vessel walls.

What causes AIDS?

Researchers at the National Institutes of Health, an arm of the Public Health Service, have discovered the probable cause of AIDS, a close relative of a known human retrovirus associated with adult Leukemia/Lymphoma. It is called HTLV-III, and was isolated by Dr. Robert C. Gallo, Jr., of the National Cancer Institute.

In addition, Dr. Gallo and his associates have developed a new process to mass produce the virus. This has made possible the development of a blood test that will indicate exposure to the AIDS virus. The test is expected to be widely available very soon.

What are its symptoms?

Many AIDS patients recall having some symptoms before being diagnosed. These symptoms may include fever, night sweats, swollen glands (enlarged lymph nodes) - in neck, armpits, or groin, unexplained weight loss, yeast infection diarrhea, persistent coughs, fatigue and loss of appetite. Anyone with prolonged, persistent symptoms should consult a physician.

Who gets AIDS?

Nearly 95% of the AIDS cases have occurred in people belonging to one of six distinct groups.

- Sexually active homosexual and bisexual men with multiple sex partners. This group accounts for more than 70% of all reported cases.
- Present or past abusers of intravenous drugs, 17%;
- Haitian entrants into the United States, 4%;
- Patients who have been transfused with blood or blood products, 1%;
- Steady sexual partners of persons with AIDS or persons in groups at high risk for AIDS, 1%.
- Hemophiliacs, 0.7%.

Although recent Haitian entrants are considered a high risk of acquiring AIDS, the reasons for the incidence of the disease in this group remain under investigation.

Some patients have not been from these groups, but researchers believe that transmission occurred in similar ways. Infants and children who have developed AIDS or a syndrome similar to AIDS may have been exposed to AIDS before or during birth, or have a history of transfusions. Some patients died before histories could be taken.

Risk groups have been established for epidemiologic and surveillance purposes and to track the occurrence of AIDS. The fact that a group is considered at high risk for AIDS should not be an excuse for discrimination.

How is AIDS transmitted?

AIDS is transmitted primarily through sexual contact or through blood from a person who has AIDS. Most of the cases have been in homosexual and bisexual men with multiple sex partners.

AIDS has also been found in intravenous drug abusers, leading investigators to suspect that AIDS is transmitted by blood on contaminated needles that have been shared. Other evidence for transmission of AIDS through blood products was found in the occurrence of AIDS in hemophilia patients receiving large amounts of Factor VIII, a clotting substance in blood.

How contagious is AIDS?

No cases have been found where AIDS has been transmitted by casual or normal household contact with AIDS patients or persons in the high risk groups. Although HTLV-III virus has been found in saliva of some persons at risk for AIDS, there have been no cases in which saliva was shown to be the route of transmission. Ambulance drivers, police, and firemen who have assisted AIDS patients have not become ill. Nurses, doctors, and health care personnel have not developed AIDS from exposure to AIDS patients.

Is there a danger of contracting AIDS from donating blood?

Absolutely not. Blood banks and other blood collection centers use sterile equipment and disposable needles. Thus, there is no chance that a needle used for one blood donor would be used for another. The need for blood is always acute, and people who are not in the high-risk groups are urged to continue to donate blood as they have in the past.

What about receiving blood transfusions?

The discovery of the AIDS virus now makes it possible to have a blood test which should make it possible to identify

people with antibodies to the AIDS virus, to help assure that blood for transfusion is free from contamination. Thus, many transfusion-related AIDS cases, including those which might appear in hemophiliacs, may be preventable.

Few cases of transfusion-related AIDS cases have occurred, and most occurred before blood banks began asking persons who are at risk of AIDS to refrain from donating blood.

Even before the availability of a blood test for AIDS, the risk of contracting AIDS through a blood transfusion was very slight. The medical necessity of blood transfusions far outweighed that risk.

How is AIDS treated?

Many biomedical investigators are working on methods of treating the specific immune defects found in AIDS patients. Although no treatment has yet been successful in restoring the immune system of an AIDS patient to normal function, doctors have had some success in using drugs, radiation and surgery to treat the various illnesses suffered by AIDS patients. Pneumocystis carinii, for example, can be treated with antibiotics. Interferon, a virus-fighting protein produced naturally by the body, has been used with some success against Kaposi's sarcoma. Natural and recombinant interleukin preparations are being used in an attempt to repair the immunologic deficiencies in AIDS patients.

Identification of the HTLV-III virus as the causative agent of AIDS has led to clinical studies of suramin, an antiviral agent. Therapeutic agents are needed for all stages of AIDS infections, to block action of the virus once infection has occurred, and to build up immunity in patients who have developed AIDS symptoms.

Can AIDS be prevented?

The recent discovery of the AIDS virus and methods for producing large quantities of the virus for experimental and production purposes enables scientists to work at developing a vaccine for preventing AIDS.

Availability of the blood test for antibodies to the AIDS virus, mentioned above, will also help prevent transfusion-related AIDS, and AIDS in hemophiliacs.

In the meantime, the Public Health Service has recommended that the following steps be taken to prevent spread of AIDS:


- Avoid sexual contact with persons known or suspected of having AIDS.
- Avoid having sex with multiple partners who may be in the high-risk groups, and avoid sexual contact with persons who have multiple partners in the high-risk groups.
- Members of high-risk groups should refrain from donating blood.
- Physicians should order blood transfusions for patients only when medically necessary. Health workers should use extreme care when handling hypodermic needles.
- Don't use IV drugs unless ordered by your physician. If you use IV drugs, then don't share needles and syringes (boiling does not guarantee sterility). Don't have sex with people who abuse IV drugs.

In addition, the FDA has advised blood and plasma collection centers to provide information on AIDS to potential donors, asking those in high-risk groups to refrain from donating. Blood bank personnel have been advised to learn to detect the early signs of AIDS.

What is the hope for the future?

Scientific research often does not provide quick solutions to problems as complex as AIDS. But the recent discovery of the AIDS virus, coupled with the scope and sophistication of current investigative efforts, gives reason for hope and the expectation that they will lead to steady progress against this devastating illness. The blood test that will be available soon may make it possible to detect AIDS in patients at a very early stage, when treatment may be more effective than it has been among present day patients whose illness was detected only after the immune system was severely affected. The further hope is that a vaccine will be developed to prevent AIDS within the next few years.

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



William Baker Master

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have to face as to which lodge should be approached for the final steps in consolidation.

On Monday, the 16th day of December, 1985, you have been Summoned to attend the stated communication of the Lodge for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year and the transaction of such other business as may regularly and constitutionally be brought before the Lodge. This is your chance to voice your opinion on who will be our new lodge and home. It behooves us all to attend this important meeting that will affect us and all our members for many years to come.

Bertram M. Steene
Committee Member

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W. Brothers:
Ladies Night at Dandrea's was our Nov. meeting; there will be no meeting in Dec.


Our first meeting of the new year will be Jan. 24th to elect officers, install same. Bros., at this meeting we will be welcoming all the new Past Masters of 1985.

The meeting will be held at the Moose Club, where we held the Oct. meeting and everyone had a very good time.

W. Bros., at this time I wish everyone a happy holiday, a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

I will see everyone later in the year.

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Masters & Wardens Association

W. David B. Averbach
President

Attention All Senior Deacons
— Greeting Party, Dec. 14th

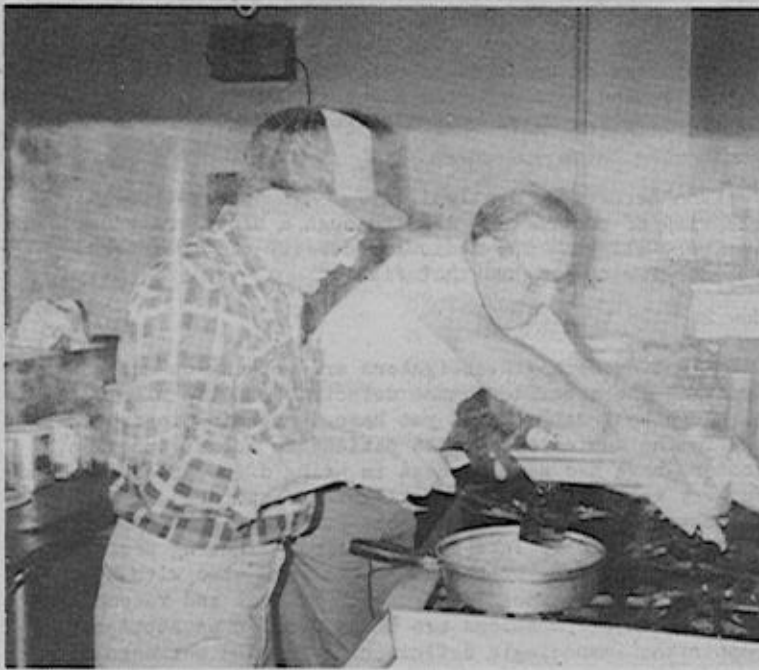
The greeting party, which is for all current Junior Wardens and their spouse, plus all current Senior Deacons (who are going to be Junior Wardens next year) and their spouse, will be held this year at the Shrine Mosque on Bay Road (Webster), December 14, 1985. For more information call W. Bob Dibble at 427-7229. A.S.A.P.

The first meeting of 1986 will be on Saturday evening, January 25, 1986. It will be held at the Downtown Masonic Temple. There will be a dinner before the meeting beginning at 6:15 p.m., prompt. The meeting will then begin at 7:30 p.m., prompt. For more information on the dinner, contact your current Senior Warden.

My best wishes to the new Advisors of the 1988 year, W. George Bracht and his wife Cathy.

Good luck to all Monroe Districts' Lodges in the future.

We Serve the Best



W. Gerald Glaser is busy preparing the latkes (potato pancakes) for Flower City Lodge's Latke Hop, held at the Masonic Temple in November, but he is closely watched by R. W. Phil Averbach, who wants to make sure that he is doing his cooking properly.

FLOWER CITY LODGE
No. 910
2nd Tuesday

David B. Averbach, Master

The year of W. David B. Averbach, in retrospect, was a busy year with a mixture of old ideas dispersed with new. Some good, some bad; some happy, some sad. But all in all, for those involved, a rewarding experience of a year with many things learned. It is with a sigh of relief and a tear in the eye in which we will say goodbye.

An anxious look to the future is needed now. With those of you who helped this year, more is needed now than ever. It is with a multitude of thanks which is given to all those who helped W. David Averbach this

year, even if it was only once. For it is not W. David Averbach who makes Flower City Lodge what it is, but all of YOU, in one way or another.

So remember, keep in your heart what makes you a Mason. Be faithful. Have hope for the best in others and yourself. And have charity for those in need.

A round of applause for the singing Master's final bow of the year!

FAIRPORT LODGE
No. 476
2nd and 4th Mondays

George R. Bracht, Master

Brethren:

This will be my last article as Master of Fairport Lodge. I want to thank everybody for their confidence by electing me last December to be your Master. And thank you for your support throughout the year. The volunteers I had and those accepting when asking for help, made it a pleasure to be Master. The members of Fairport Lodge have shown me that they support their Lodge and Master. This year has passed by very fast, and now I look forward to helping your future Masters and officers any way that I can.

On November 11th we had our Move-Up Night, and the officers showed us they were ready for next year. I look forward to their excellent ritual work they have shown us this year, and will continue to display through next year. They all have my support and my help in any way that I can.

Our Third Degree on November 25th was put on by the Shrine Degree Team. They did a fine job and we picked up some pointers that should help us in the future. Everybody enjoyed a good dinner before the meeting, the Third Degree and welcomed our new Brothers into the

UNION STAR LODGE
No. 320
2nd Monday

Paul Spillane, Master

We Need Bros. With Building Expertise

Brethren:

This will be my last article in the Monroe Masonic News. It was a pleasure in serving you and Union Star Lodge as Master this year. I would personally like to thank all my officers and the Brethren who supported me this year.

1986 will be here very soon and I hope that each Brethren would look at their calendar for 1986 and try to attend Lodge at least once a month or once a quarter.

The Masonic Association has worked hard to provide Union Star Lodge with a rent free building. Now with a new roof our walls and ceiling are drying and it is now our turn. I hope in 1986 we will be able to start projects to refurbish the inside of the building. We would appreciate all the brethren with expertise of general contracting, painting, etc. to come to Lodge or give me a call with your ideas on how we can approach this project.

On November 11 we had Move-up Night for all the officers that are going on. Brother Richard Dye moved to the East, Brother Michael Spillane moved to the West, and Brother Joseph Cotteleer moved up to the South. Annual election will be held on December 9 at 7:30 p.m. This is a very important night so please make every attempt to elect your officers for the upcoming year.

Fraternally,

Trestleboard

December 9 - Regular Communication, Election of Officers - 7:30 p.m.

January 11 - Lodge Clean-up for Installation - 9:00 a.m.

January 13 - Dinner - 6:30 p.m.; Installation - 7:30 p.m.

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Lodge.

This month, on December 9th, will be the last meeting for 1985. This will be our Annual Communication and election of officers. This is an opportunity to hear what has been accomplished and enjoy the fellowship of your Fairport Lodge Brothers, as you have all year.

In closing, I want to thank everybody again for their confidence and cooperation, and I look forward to helping your future Masters and officers as they helped me all year.

Fraternally,

**TRESTLEBOARD**  
Dec. 9 - Annual Communication and Election of Officers



**December Marks The Big End of Official Visits**

Brethren:

As this article goes to press many of you who have been reigning Masters will be reaching the end of your year and the thanks and appreciation of Grand Lodge is extended to you for a job well done. To those of you who have not been attending Lodge, this is your opportunity to greet your outgoing Master and to be a part in the election and to give your support to your Master for the ensuing year. It is your Lodge and it needs your support. Attend your next meeting and bring another Brother with you.

This also signals the end of our Official Visits. Our reception at each Lodge has been a joy and it is our hope that you benefitted as much from the words of our Grand Master and Grand Lodge as we did by the warm, courteous reception each of you afforded us. Our thanks to each of you.

Our Brotherhood Fund Drive is off to a good start under the direction of Brother John Williams and we urge each of you to do your part to support this worthy cause. No matter the dollar value it is a gift from the heart and will be used well.

It is not too late to sign up for the trip to Utica. The price is only \$12 per person. Call R. W. Harry Kennedy or The Service Bureau for reservations.

Rosie and I want to extend our best wishes to each of you and your families for a most joyous holiday season and a happy healthy new year. God bless you all.

Fraternally,

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

Herbert Spencer, Master

Brethren:

This will be my last official article as Master of Valley Lodge #109 for 1985. It has been my pleasure to serve you. This year will be remembered as one of the most memorable years of my life. It has been an experience to be cherished, for I have grown in many ways, as those of you have gone this way before are aware of. I would like to thank the officers who worked with me this past year, for without them my year would not have been as rewarding as it was. My thanks to the Past Masters who helped guide me to better understanding.

On Nov. 4th, R. W. Harold Miller gave us an enlightening talk about the Concordant Bodies within the Masonic Fraternity.

On Nov. 10th, we held our first informational meeting for men interested in learning more about Masonry. Six men came to this meeting seeking more information in Masonry; they were brought by their sponsors. Thanks to W. Bro. Bill Babcock

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

*Herbert Spencer, Master*

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for getting this project off the ground. To the other men of the committee, who are Bro. Gary Caswell and Bro. Court Young, thanks for seeing to it that everything went as scheduled. Thanks to R.:W.: Mike Dox and R.:W.: Ralph Biggar for lending their time to speak to these men. Lastly, thanks to the brothers who brought these gentlemen. We hope to get at least 3-4 candidates from this meeting. The next session is currently scheduled for the spring. Thanks Brothers.

On Nov. 18th, we all listened to Bro. Grant Romer tell us about his profession and how it is related to the George Eastman House. He used slides, photographs and lots of interesting information.

During this month quite a few of our brothers took their journey through the York Rite and Scottish Rite classes, to attain their 32 degree. Congratulations.

Nov. 24th was the Annual Interfaith Service and Breakfast. Valley Lodge sold over 30 tickets. Brothers, thanks for your attendance.

Bro. Paul R. Meacham was called home by the Great Architect of the Universe. Our deepest sympathy goes to his family. W. Bro. Bill Babcock was stricken with kidney stones and we trust that he won't be kept down too long. Bro. Tom Belt was telling us recently about his experience in delivering a baby while on duty with the Greece Ambulance Corps. Heard that Bro. Court Young and his wife Jane were recently given acknowledgements and a plaque for their work with the Salvation Army Toy Shop. Brothers, let me hear about your experiences and rewards so others may share in your joy.

On Nov. 11th, the Past Masters held their annual dinner and meeting at the Maplewood Inn. Your Master was there and told of his year and thanked the Past Masters for their support during the year. Twenty of the Past Masters were there. It was a great evening for fellowship; many things were discussed. Bro. George Bundoc was invited to attend and tell of his plans for 1986.

Dec. 2nd we will have our Third Annual Tri-Lodge Holiday Party. Fliers should already be in your hands, giving all details. This function, of course, is to be with John A. Robertson and Corinthian Temple Lodges. Our entertainment will be completely different than last year. We look for your support in this event and hope you will come out with your lady. The entire cost for you and your lady is only \$5.50. This is for dinner and the ladies gifts. The gifts this year are special. Last year we had over 135 in attendance for dinner. Let us make this LADIES NIGHT which is the last for 1985 even better than the last. For reservations call Bro. Dick and Molly Giedd at 865-5708 or Bro. Bob and Rene Deckard at 865-7615.

Dec. 16th is the last meeting for 1985. SUMMONED

COMMUNICATION proper notice is in the mail and should be in your possession now. Annual meeting, nomination and election of officers, as well as their installation.

Brothers, check your dues cards. There are twelve of you who owe dues for two years. Thirty-four of you owe for 1985 dues. This is not meant to embarrass anyone. It is to remind you to check your cards. Let us not have anyone become unaffiliated this year.

I look forward to greeting all of you at Lodge.

Fraternally,

Dear Brothers,

After reading last month's article by Br. Glaser, I realized how much history we have made. We are Monroe County Masons. The Temple should be dear to all Monroe County Masons, for it represents the start of Masonry here.

As an Entered Apprentice we took the Obligation, we never realized our own Temple would be in a destitute situation. As Fellowcraft we learned how to work and support our fellow Masons. As Master Masons, we learned how to recognize the Grand Hailing Sign. The Temple, also a Mason, is now giving us THE GRAND HAILING SIGN.

Religions are maintained by tithing, and it is time we maintained our Temple in the same manner. Tithing is 10%, but knowing the length of our cabletow, even if every Mason in Monroe County could give 1% per week, we would be answering THE GRAND HAILING SIGN. There are 6,500 Masons in the County, if each gave \$2.00 a week, that would be an income of \$13,000 weekly, \$52,000 a month, and \$676,000 per year to repair, maintain, and pay for the operation of the Temple.

How many of us realize exactly the number of other organizations that use the Temple? What will happen to them, can they find other locations to have their meetings? There are 11 Blue Lodges, the Eastern Star, York Rite Bodies, Scottish Rite Bodies, Grotto, Damascus Temple Shrine, Amaranth Bodies, Bethany White Shrine, Fidelity Triangle, and the Service Bureau.

Are we so spoiled by having the Temple for our use that we can't see how many others it aids? Please give this serious consideration, it is our Temple, and our duty to come to its aid. Even the least of us can be responsible for keeping it. A small amount, given faithfully each and every week, can often overcome the most serious adversity. Please send your contributions to:

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Fraternally,  
**Gary T. Caswell  
Sr. Deacon, Valley 109**



*The Directors, Council, and Representatives of the Masonic Service Bureau join the staff in wishing each of you and your family a blessed and joyous holiday season, and may the New Year dawn bright with hope, prosperity and peace!*

**ROCHESTER LODGE  
No. 660  
2nd Monday**

*Donald F. Leisten, Master*

We conferred all three Degrees on Brother Constantin Papadimitriou who is now a member of Reagan Lodge #1037 A.F. & A.M. of Houston, Texas. We had a request from our Grand Lodge to confer all the degrees on him. The Damascus Shrine Past Master's Degree Team conferred the 3rd Degree on October 28th. I would like to thank all the members of the Degree Team who took part in the Degree. I am also a member of the Team. On that night we had two visitors: A Brother Niall Foster from Trinidad Lodge #3963 E.C. of Trinidad, and Brother Laszlo Tuczai, a member of Compass Lodge #9 of Wallingford, Conn.

I will be the Chairman for the Brotherhood Fund for 1986. Please send your checks to George Adams, 131 Elmore Road, Rochester, N.Y. 14618. Let's get an early start and show that Rochester Lodge cares.

Congratulations to the following Brothers who celebrate their birthday in December: Henry Darwent 12/2; Charles Adams 12/3; Glenn Murat 12/5; Samuel Freedland 12/5; Rt. Wor. Donald Leisten 12/6; Robert Borden 12/8; Donald Woodruff 12/9; John Robison 12/10; Alfred Hogg 12/11; Earl Pearce 12/15; Harvey Feldman 12/16; Martin Feinberg 12/17; Theodore Hamilton 12/19; Max Barwald 12/24; Kenneth Dunning 12/24; Emanuel Poulis will be 91 years old 12/27; Leroy Wilson 12/27; and Ralph Rowlingson 12/31.

As the year draws to a close I wish all our Jewish Brethren a happy Chanukah and a merry Christmas to the rest of the Brothers and to all a happy and healthy New Year.

**TRESTLEBOARD**

- Dec. 1st - Finance Committee Breakfast and Meeting at the home of George & Lucille Adams, 131 Elmore Road. Breakfast 9:30 a.m.
- Dec. 6th - Past Master's Dinner and Meeting at the Lodge hall 6:30 p.m.
- Dec. 9th - Annual Meeting and Election of Officers.

**GERMANIA LODGE  
No. 722**

**2nd and 4th Wednesdays**  
*W.: Douglas Spencer Master*

I hope that everyone had a good time at our Annual Awards Night. The dinner before the meeting was, as always, when Ruth Freeman does the cooking, terrific.

My congratulations to all who received an award that night. Thanks also to all my officers for their help.

Now that we are in the midst of the holiday season, let's not forget our Lodge. December 11 is election of officers and the reading of annual reports. You have all received notification of this meeting way in advance. So I hope you will all make an effort to attend this, our most important meeting of the year.

Congratulations are in order for W.: Dave and Carol Foster for the birth of their son back in October. Since the November column was due before this joyous occasion, this is the first I have been able to put it in print. I hope this means that someday there will be a new Brother Foster in Germania. Only time will tell.

This is my last column, for my year as your Master is almost over. A thank you from the bottom of my heart is due to all my brothers who did so much to help me this year.

I wish you and yours a happy holiday season.  
See you all on December 11.

**TRESTLEBOARD**

- Dec. 11 - Election of Officers, Reading of Annual Reports
- Jan. 8 - Installation, Dinner 6:30 p.m.

**TEMPLE TRUSTEES NEWS**

*By Gerald J. Glaser*

1. Seventeen Trustees including one alternate were present.
2. The offer from the church group has not been resolved at this writing. The executive committee will meet prior to the meeting of November 13, 1985 and hopefully make some recommendations concerning it.
3. Regarding the rent, which was discussed last month, the finance committee has given the figures to the building manager and they are in the process of being mailed to the bodies.
4. A bequest from the estate of John H. Auer, Sr. in the amount of \$2,000 has been received. It is most gracious and the thanks of the trustees goes to the family of our deceased, generous brother.
5. The only group who has not sent in their stop-gap assessment for 1984 is GUESS WHO? We are desperately in need of working capital, and await them really accepting their responsibility as reported by their presiding officer.

You all out there are extended the greetings of the season and hope that the future is good to all of you.

**CHURCHVILLE LODGE  
No. 667**

**2nd and 4th Wednesdays**  
*G. Simon Master*

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# MASONIC CALENDAR

December 1985

| SUNDAY                                                                                                     | MONDAY                                                                                                                                                        | TUESDAY                                                                                                                       | WEDNESDAY                                                                         | THURSDAY                                                           | FRIDAY                                     | SATURDAY                                             |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| 1<br>ROCHESTER — Finance Committee Meeting                                                                 | 2 Shrine Lunch Club<br>JOHN ROBERTSON — Holiday Party                                                                                                         | 3 YONNONDIO — Move-Up Night<br>CHARLOTTE — Official Visit                                                                     | 4                                                                                 | 5 WEBSTER — Past Masters Night<br>NORTHFIELD — 2nd Degree / Dinner | 6 ROCHESTER — Past Masters Dinner, Meeting | 7                                                    |
| 8 Hanukkah<br><br>1st Day | 9 Shrine Lunch Club<br>HANUKKAH<br>FAIRPORT — Annual Communication & Election<br>UNION STAR — Reg. Communication - Election<br>ROCHESTER — Meeting & Election | 10 HANUKKAH<br>YONNONDIO — Officers Meeting<br>FRANK L. SIMES — Annual Meeting & Election<br>FAME — Meeting & Christmas Party | 11 HANUKKAH<br>WEBSTER — Fellowcraft Meeting & Steak Roast<br>GERMANIA — Election | 12 HANUKKAH                                                        | 13 HANUKKAH                                | 14 HANUKKAH                                          |
| 15 HANUKKAH (last day)<br>FRANK L. SIMES — Fellowcraft, Christmas Party<br>CHARLOTTE — Christmas Party     | 16 Shrine Lunch Club<br>JOHN ROBERTSON — Meeting & Election                                                                                                   | 17 YONNONDIO — Annual Meeting & Election<br>CHARLOTTE — Meeting & Election                                                    | 18                                                                                | 19 WEBSTER — Meeting, Formal Dinner<br>NORTHFIELD — Meeting        | 20                                         | 21 1st day of WINTER<br>NORTHFIELD — Christmas Party |
| 22                                                                                                         | 23 Shrine Lunch Club                                                                                                                                          | 24                                                                                                                            | 25 Merry Christmas                                                                | 26                                                                 | 27                                         | 28                                                   |
| 29                                                                                                         | 30 FAME — Past Masters May Attend Investiture                                                                                                                 | 31                                                                                                                            |                                                                                   |                                                                    |                                            |                                                      |

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

*Skip Waterstreet, Master*

Brethren:  
December brings the Christmas holidays and our annual Tri-Lodge Holiday Party on the second. We will thank all of the ladies for their patience and understanding as we have transacted the business of the Lodge over the past year. While many of them are regular visitors at our dinners before meetings, there are still others who do not, for one reason or another, attend and this party affords us all the opportunity of renewing acquaintances.

Reservations were due a week ago, but if you have had a change of plans, why not contact W.B. Paul Robertson, W.B. Ed Walker or me to see if any openings exist. The worst that could happen is no gift, as they definitely had to be ordered in advance. I feel confident that we could accommodate you for dinner.

The Annual Meeting of the Lodge will be held on December 16, and you all should have received the official notice last month. We hope you will take the time to come to Lodge this evening, hear the reports for the year, and cast your votes for the Officers for 1986. Once again, I earnestly solicit your help and support of the Lodge. We need men to fill positions. W.B. Paul Robertson would be delighted to hear from you offering your services in his line.

Brother Bob Traub, while admitting publicly that he is not an organist, has volunteered to play the organ at our meetings for the past few years. Now he is inviting anyone who may be interested in tickling the ivories of a pipe organ to join him in the loft at their earliest convenience.

If you are a piano or organ player or attempter and have any interest, why not give Brother Bob a call ... 381-5343. He'll be happy to show you the operation of the organ and help lead you toward a new career.

**SICKNESS AND DISTRESS:** I was caught by surprise at our last meeting to learn of the passing of Right Worshipful Brother Garson Meyer's wife, Esther. What a tragic accident and how sad for Brother Garson, who hasn't been in the best of health himself the past several months. Diane and I had the pleasure of driving them to our outing at Rick's a year ago and had a delightful conversation with them. Our sympathies and those of the Lodge have been extended to Rt. Wor. Brother Garson.

Brother Al Cranston has had surgery and is on the mend. We extend him our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

On the happier side, Brother Willis Seville has been back in Lodge after a hospital stay that, I'm pleased to report, was quite brief. Also, Brother Bob Lindeman has been able to join us again after undergoing some tests.

To those of you who are on your way to the sunny south, whom I shall not see in Lodge, to all the Brothers throughout the country, and to those locally who are unable to join us, may I extend wishes for a pleasant holiday season and a prosperous new year.

I wish to congratulate Worshipful Brother Frank Zaffino on his promotion to General Manager of Kodak Apparatus Division. I'm sure I speak for all the Brothers when I say well done, Frank.

**FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK:** Worshipful Brother Ed Walker is still holding some dues cards including, I'm sorry

to say, a few from 1984. These Brothers will be receiving notice of unaffiliation due to non-payment of dues effective December 31, 1985. If you are one of them and really do not wish to continue your membership in the Fraternity, why not pay up your obligation and request a dimit?

This is a subject that has amazed me over the years. There must have been, at one time, a good reason to join the Masonic Order. I am well aware how interests change. But why an individual would want to get kicked out when he can withdraw honorably and easily is beyond me. In addition, the Lodge has had to pay for your membership to Grand Lodge and to the Temple Civic Center through assessments whether you have paid or not. If you had dropped, you would not be in the count that we turn in. Is there an explanation?

This is my swan song. I have asked Worshipful Brother Paul Robertson, who has volunteered to serve as Master again in 1986 and whom I suspect will be elected to that position at our Annual Meeting, to write the next column. I have not been at my best in that task ... a fact I am not proud to admit. I did learn two things this fall: the new editor is sticking to his

deadline; and, they don't run your column a month later. If it isn't there on time, it isn't!

I cannot thank enough all of you who have supported me and the Lodge over the past two years. It has not been an easy time for any of us. To our late Secretary, Merl Nulton, would go my heartfelt gratitude for all of his support and the constant effort to lift me when I would get down. Next, to Worshipful Brother Ed Walker, who doesn't know how to say "no" to a job in Lodge. His willingness to step in and fulfill the unexpired term of Secretary was a great relief to me and a blessing to the Lodge.

To our Worshipfuls Al and Paul for filling the West and South, and all the other Officers who did their best to support the Lodge, Thank You! And to all of you who came when you could throughout the year, your presence made my unenthusiastic efforts seem more worthwhile than I believed them to be. I can promise you that it will not be my intent to serve as Master again. I plan to attend and support the Officers whenever I can, and I'll even fill a chair again when there is a shortage, but I am really ready for the sidelines. I sincerely hope that, with the new members and maybe a few of the

"old-timers" stepping in, I'll be able to put some wear on the beautiful Past Master's apron given me at the end of my first term in 1977. Adios.

**Trestleboard**

December 2 - Tri-Lodge Holiday Party  
December 16 - Annual Meeting and Election of Officers

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