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Honored At Luncheon By Red Cross



A luncheon hosted by the Rochester Red Cross Chapter was followed with the presentation of Certificates of Appreciation to the Masters of the Lodges that sponsored the twelve individual Blood Drives in the First and Second Monroe Districts during the month of August this year. In the photo above are (standing) Worshipfuls Alfred M. Rodgers, Alan D. Manzer, Andrew F. Baxter, David W. Jones, and Eugene G. Brendel. (seated) Worshipfuls Dwight E. Turner, George L. Brege, and Walter M. Tallons.

Receive Red Cross Certificates



Certificates of Appreciation were also presented to the Chairmen of each respective Blood Drive. In the photo above are (standing) Right Worshipful Charles E. Daycock, Bro. Eaton Kelsey, Wor. Robert Aldrich, Wor. David Jones, and Bro. Russell Ashman. Seated are Bro. Stojan (Steve) Ellia, Wor. Melvin Doverspike, and Bro. John Williams.

SERVICE AND REHABILITATION

As part of our obligation to care for others, the Grand Lodge Service and Rehabilitation undertook a pilot program to help our Veterans who are at the Canandaigua V.A. Hospital to give them a meaningful project in which it would help them to get beneficial therapy. R.W. Austin Keith asked permission to approach Humanity Lodge #406 in Lyons, N.Y., to present the project. I informed him to go ahead. Below is the letter sent to us by P.M. Edward C. Marriott of Humanity Lodge #406.

As District Representative, and with R.W. Austin Keith, we are very proud to be part of this project. The picture above shows us with the staff that are involved.

I wish to thank all that attended the November 8th visitation at the Canandaigua V.A. Hospital. You all are great and wonderful people.

Fraternally,
R.W. Thomas M. Paglia
District Representative

The Service and Rehabilitation Committee Wish All A Happy Holiday and Prosperous New Year.

What? Christmas Trip To The Utica Masonic Home.

When?
December 19th.
Who?...
Everyone!

In the last issue of the Monroe Masonic News we gave the itinerary and the price per person for the bus fare.

Who to contact for reservations: Masonic Service Bureau 473-4351, Harry H. Kennedy 586-1873, or one of the present Grand Lodge Officers.

To date, many have expressed a desire to go, but not many confirmations have been received.

By the time you receive this November issue, there will be approximately 5 weeks left to make reservations. Deadline is December 10, 1987.

Please call any one of the above mentioned and send your \$11.00 per person bus fare to the Masonic Service Bureau. (Note Utica Trip.)

Early reservations will make it easier for everyone concerned.

P.S.: The bus holds 46 passengers and a relief station aboard.

Hope to hear from you all soon!
Ye Olde Wagon Master
Harry H. Kennedy

TEMPLE CIVIC CENTER Trustees News

By Gerald J. Glaser

1. Outside or commercial rentals in the Masonic Temple so far this year have increased our revenue by about \$4,000 per month.

2. The bad news is that Ancient Craft and Yonondio Lodges are expected to be leaving the Temple.

3. Our cash flow problem continues to be a problem.

4. We received a tax refund of about \$17,000 from the City of Rochester and immediately applied it to some pressing debts.

5. A meeting was held with the owning bodies and the trustees of the Masonic Home and Asylum Fund which was chaired by Most Worshipful Grand Master Robert C. Singer.

As a result of this meeting, an offer of financial support was made, with several conditions.

This offer was carried back to the owning bodies for their instructions, and a vote was taken, rejecting the offer in its present form.

We expect to continue negotiating with the trustees to resolve the problems involved.

6. We are looking at a proposal to purchase the Auditorium Theater and one to purchase the entire Temple. There is nothing firm in these proposals at present.

7. The Temple will be closed the last two weeks of

We Are In The Veterans Program

Humanity Lodge 406
Route 14
Lyons, New York 14489

August 3, 1987

Brethren:

On February 11, 1987, R.W. Austin Keith brought Mr. Dave Kruger, a representative of the Veterans Administration, to Humanity Lodge to discuss a Special Veteran Program. Mr. Kruger talked to the Brethren present about this special program to help disabled veterans from the various services such as consulting, personal care, and life skills.

After Mr. Kruger and R.W. Austin Keith left, the Brothers present decided and unanimously voted to accept the Veteran Program as set forth at the meeting. Of course, there would have to be things done at the Lodge to accept the Veterans' use of our building. After several meetings with the trustees of Humanity Lodge and the Veterans Administration of Canandaigua, a yearly contract was signed on February 26, 1987.

Some of the reasons the Administration wanted to use our Lodge were: location, size of facility, large lawn area, and willingness of Masons at Lyons to accept this program to help the Veterans adjust to everyday life in the community.

This is a pilot program which the Veterans Administration hopes to expand on a national basis. At present there are only ten other pilot programs of this type in the nation and we are proud to be part of this program.

The veterans have been using Humanity Lodge 406 for almost three months. The building is always kept neat and clean. They have a beautiful garden and have planted flowers to make the property look extra nice through the summer months and they are canning the produce from their garden and selling it at the farmers market to raise funds for future projects.

We are pleased to be able to help the less fortunate veterans and believe this is the true meaning of humanity and fellowship which our fraternity is founded upon.

Fraternally,
P.M. Edward C. Marriott



Left to Right: Charles Hoffman, Laura Glasner, Frank Williams, John Clauson, Michael Clintsman, John Williams, Richelle Mavek, R.W. Austin Keith, P.M. Jim Frind, Delvore Fawell, Bradley Lewis, Thomas Paglia, and P.M. Edward Marriott.

Worldly Treasures



The universe pays every man in his own coin. If you smile, it smiles upon you in return; if you frown, you will be frowned upon; if you sing, you will be invited to cheerful company; if you think, you will be entertained by thinkers; if you love the world and earnestly seek for the good therein, you will be surrounded by loving friends and nature will pour into your lap the treasures of the earth.

-N.W. Zimmerman

January, February, and March of 1988. Exact dates will be furnished in the published minutes.

8. A nominating committee was appointed to select a slate for 1988.

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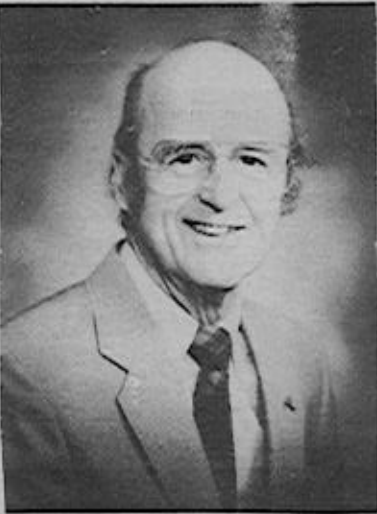
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Let's Not Fail
The "Olde
Wagon Master"

Today (Tuesday, November 10, 1987) I visited the "Olde Wagon Master", R.W. Harry Kennedy, at Rochester General Hospital. He had suffered a stroke a few days ago. He and his lovely wife, Ethel, were smiling as they walked down the hall. The blood clot has been cleared up, and he was feeling good again.

Uppermost on Harry's



1st Monroe

District Deputy
Grand Master

R.W. Gerald J. Glaser

The Masonic Service Bureau is an organization that provides many services to the community.

Some of these many services are:

1. Hospital equipment in the form of crutches, wheel chairs, commodes, and walkers.
2. Over eleven thousand dollars per year to community charitable organizations.
3. Over five thousand dollars per year to various students in the area schools.
4. Emergency funds for many humane purposes.
5. Almost every worthwhile purpose not mentioned above.

At present, the Executive Director, Rod Meier, is handling all of these by himself.

We, as Masons, are noted for our charitable efforts, and this is written as a request to our brothers and sisters to see if some assistance can be solicited for him to aid in the performance of these functions.

Help is desperately needed in the following areas:

1. People to work in the office in order to handle inquiries and arrange for the loan and returns of hospital equipment.
2. People to staff the office and thus offer better coverage to those who need help.
3. Typists to assist with the handling of correspondence.
4. We could use assistants to the Director.
5. Computer and data processing personnel to update changes in the computer system.
6. Newspaper oriented individuals to help improve the readability and quality of the Masonic News.
7. Many other assistants to help with general types of tasks.

We, as Masons, give over one million dollars a day to charities and other worthwhile causes.

It is not known how much we donate in time, but the effort is great and very worthwhile. Please call the Masonic Service Bureau and let them know how you wish to help.

In another vein, those of us who attend the various Bureau of Masonic Education activities are disturbed by the small turnout of newer members and line officers.

This is a condition which must be reversed if we are to properly service the fraternity in this important area.

Not only is it the responsibility of the officers to attend these meetings and see to it that the new Brothers are there, but it is also the responsibility of the Masters of Lodges to see that this is carried out.

We can only be successful if everyone carries out their responsibilities.

District Deputy Grand Master Official Visits

- Clio 779 Tuesday November 3
- Etolian 479 Monday November 9
- Frank L. Simes 990 Tuesday November 10
- Flower City 910 Tuesday November 10
- E. Rochester 1020 Tuesday November 24
- Webster 538 Thursday December 3
- Seneca 797 Tuesday December 15

mind was our Annual Bus Trip to the Masonic Home and Research Laboratory in Utica on Saturday, December 19. He felt sad that only 22 had made reservations. The bus holds 47 people; let's not have vacant seats.

For many years, the "Olde Wagon Master", a very caring person, has conducted this Christmas Caravan which has brought so much joy and happiness to the residents of the Home.

Many of these nice people are lonely, especially at Christmas, as they don't have visitors very often.

Wouldn't it be nice to show them that they haven't been forgotten? We will entertain them with Christmas Carols and possibly take their pictures with Santa Claus.

At the Home you will see the newly renovated Wiley Hall. It provides the most up-to-date accommodations. You can also tour the Independent Living Apartments.

Another interesting part of the trip will be a conducted tour of the Research Laboratory. Its primary focus is on basic

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2nd Monroe

District Deputy
Grand Master

R.W. Lawrence F. Geith



Brethren:

First and foremost in my article this month is a happy and warm welcome back to R.W. Jerry Glaser. All of us missed him during his hospital stay and his recuperating time, but he has now returned on a limited basis, and it is great to have him and Betty back in our family.

October was a month full of many duties and pleasures, which was culminated by our Annual Masonic Inter-Faith Service and Breakfast. All of these events could not have taken place without many busy hands, and I would like to thank everyone involved in making these events such a huge success.

Recently I had the privilege of attending two Lodges that presented the DeWitt Clinton Award. One was awarded to a widow of Valley Lodge for her many achievements--Congratulations, Thelma--and one was awarded to an Eagle Scout by Ark Lodge in Geneva--Congratulations to you, Derek.

Both of these events were well attended and became a great tool to promote Masonry to the public. As I travelled through the District on my Official Visits, I reminded the Lodges to present this award to a deserving non-Mason or a non-Masonic organization. The presenting of these two awards are positive proof that it can be successful if we only try.

The members of Ark Lodge also presented a three act play entitled "New Roof" based on the forming and writing of our U.S. Constitution. It was written by Gloria Peter, the wife of R.W. George Peter, and was very enjoyable and well done by the Brothers.

To all the incoming Masters, Good Luck, God Bless, and may you have a very successful year. I am sure that we will all work together in the coming months, and when May arrives, we shall all head for Niagara Falls for Grand Lodge sessions.

I have heard that many Brothers hope to attend these sessions at least one day, and I am happy to hear this, because it will be another event that our Monroe Districts will show their support.

Christmas, New Year, and Hanukkah holiday time is fast approaching, and I would like to wish everyone happy and joyfull holidays. This being a time of giving, please remember the Masonic Brotherhood Fund on your gift list.

The following poem was sent to me from a Brother of my Lodge, and I would like to share it with each of you. (Thanks, Otto.)

Just a Mason

What trials do we have on hand? and possible tribulation
The score if any is a test just to be a Mason
In name it may be redundant of purpose and relation
But side by side it's exhilarant just to be a Mason
Your duty to the man on high the cause of your creation
Exemplify's the Mason's oath when one becomes a Mason
He who seeks excuses to butter-fly temptation
Does not really exemplify a perfect modeled Mason
Sometimes we talk out loud a bit without mental
reservation
Place yourself in the proper position for your actions
make a Mason
You have heard it mouth to ear for it's glorified
sensation
A priceless gift to model man to be made a Master Mason
Otto G. Henderberg

I hope to see as many of you as possible on our trip to see the Festival of Lights and also our Annual Christmas Visit to the Utica Masonic Home.

Fraternally,

Official Visit Dates for the 2d Monroe District
Charlotte-Corinthian #1088...December 1

CUSTODIANS
CORNER



By R.W. Maurice Solomon
Custodians of the Work

Question:

At a recent meeting of Masters and Wardens, I saw one of our Grand Lodge Officers standing at the sign of Fidelity while addressing the Presiding Officer. Is this correct?

Answer:

I regret to say it is not. There is one simple, basic rule. If you are not wearing a Masonic Apron, you do not come to the sign of Fidelity, under any circumstances - not when addressing the Presiding Officer at a Masonic gathering, not at the invocation prior to a meal, not even when addressing the Grand Master. My regrets are because it is surprising how many Brethren, especially Past Masters and Grand Lodge Officers, either do not know or ignore this uncomplicated fact.

Question:

When the Junior Deacon is about to inform the Tiler that the Master is going to open the Lodge, should the door be open or closed, and why?

Answer:

The door remains open, for two reasons. 1) Until such time as the Junior

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Just For Today

By I. Vincent Lloyd

"Let Us Give Thanks -- Now!"

I don't know how many times people have said "thank you" to me -- a thousand times or more -- but every time I hear those words, I get a quiet and satisfying thrill! If what we do or say is appreciated, we know that what effort brought it about was worthwhile.

We ought to express our gratitude each morning of our lives and thank God for all of the blessings which have come to us. Yet how few of us do this! Too many of us take life as a matter of course. The smallest blessing deserves gratitude. So often we care and think so little about the aches, pains, and inconveniences endured by someone else, just so long as we know that we will not have to bear them ourselves. It is a wonderful thing to be grateful for our physical well being, our talents, our abilities, and freedom from sickness and suffering.

Ingratitude is perhaps one of the bitterest medicines any of us ever have to take. It is a medicine that never quite leaves the system. On the other hand, gratitude has brought to many of us a spiritual wealth that nothing material could ever surpass. We ought to think more often of the thousands of teachers, ministers, community workers, who work for small compensation, but who send out into the world men and women whose gratitude is translated into leadership and into every form of creative art and enterprise. Never can I adequately thank those who taught me, and pointed out safe paths to travel.

In 1949 Arthur LaBaie, a member of Clio Lodge No. 779 F.&A.M., asked me to take the Scottish Rite Degrees and become a member of the Rochester Consistory. He paid my initiation fee. I will always be grateful to him for giving me this invitation. On a train ride from Utica, New York, in 1958, I sat with a man by the name of William F. Strange. I later learned he was the Past Grand Master of the Masons in the State of New York. As a result of that meeting I was appointed Grand Chaplain of Masons for the State of New York.

My gratitude to these two men is warm and deep. "Thank You" are two of the easiest and happiest words to speak. And often they speak volumes and send a stream of joy dancing to the heart.

A Happy Grateful Thanksgiving Season To You All!

DeWitt Clinton Award



Valley Lodge No. 109 presented the DeWitt Clinton Certificate for Community Services to the Rochester Red Cross Chapter. Receiving the award for the staff in the Blood Resources Department was the Director, Robert Magere, and his associates, Anna Nottle, Norma Thomas, Beth McCarran, Patty Yalowich, and Grace Kurth. Making the presentation was Right Worshipful Mat Gingold for Worshipful Richard C. Giedd, who was hospitalized at the time.

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

Dear Brethren,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Sr. Warden Gary Caswell and Wor. Herb Spencer (Chaplain) for taking over the reins for the November 2nd meeting, due to my illness, and of course all other Officers were present. Thank you also to all who sent me cards and made phone calls while I was hospitalized, and for your prayers for my recovery. God bless each and every one of you.

The November 2nd meeting was a very special one. We were honoring R. Wor. Thelma Fraser, member of Rochester Chapter #314, O.E.S. She was the recipient of the DeWitt Clinton Award for Community Service. I would like to thank all the speakers who commented on her many services to the community. The award was presented to Sister Thelma by DDGM R. Wor. Gerald J. Glaser on behalf of M.W. Robert C. Singer, Grand Master of the State of New York. It was my honor to present her with a special award by the Veterans Administration for volunteer service at this facility.

The Lalla-Rookh Cauldron prepared a delicious dinner before the meeting. Thank you, ladies. Special thanks to all the ladies of Valley Lodge and John A. Robertson Lodge for the refreshments after the program, and also to John A. Robertson Lodge for providing the entertainment for the ladies, while the men held a short business meeting. Also a special thank you to the following people for their special help in making the evening a smashing success:

Wor. Herb Spencer - Emcee;
R.W. Chick Becker - Presentation of Colors (Fairport Lodge);
W. Bill Kuehne - Organist (Ma. Webster Lodge);
R.W. Audrey Zufall - (Roch. Chap. #314 O.E.S.) Chaplain during the open meeting - and escorting R.W. Thelma;
R.W. Ralph Biggar - Escorting DDGM Wor. Gerald J. Glaser to the East;
Sharon Baldwin for the beautiful ballet performance

(Sharon is a member and wife of Ma. Bill Baldwin of the '87 Masters.)

The open meeting was very well attended, with over a hundred people. It was truly a memorable evening, and one that I was proud to be a part of. Congratulations, R. Wor. Sister Thelma Fraser on receiving the DeWitt Clinton Award for your unselfish service to your fellow man.

Our hearts and prayers go out to Dolores Cringoli, wife of Jr. Warden Anthony Cringoli, who is ill at this time. We hope and pray for a speedy recovery.

As you know, our Annual Holiday Party will be December 7, 1987, which is one of our Ladies Nights. There will be a dinner served by Roch. Chap. 314, O.E.S., and a flyer will be sent out with all the details.

Just a reminder: as the year is coming to a close, please check your dues card to see if it is up to date. If not, please take care of it. If anyone has difficulty in this, please get in touch with me or the Secretary.

I am also the Chairman for the Brotherhood Fund this coming year, so please send your contributions to this address: 79 Mandarin Dr., Rochester, N.Y. 14616. Thank you.

The Annual Meeting is December 21, 1987. All Officers will wear tuxedos.

When you read this letter I hope you will have a joyful Thanksgiving, and also "Happy Holidays" for the month of December. Fraternal yours,
Richard G. Giedd
Master

**Trestleboard
Dec. 7 - Tri Lodge Holiday Party
Dec. 21 - Annual Meeting**

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

Annual Meeting December 17th

Brethren:

I want to express my appreciation to all who attended our Official Visit Communication and helped make this evening a success.

This is the time of year when there is so much to be done. With so many events happening, please don't forget to send your Dues payment to our Secretary as early as possible.

December 3 will be our 3rd Degree. Your Jr. Warden will be in the East. This will be formal, with a dinner preceding the meeting, at 6:30 P.M. I hope you will attend and support your Officers and new Brothers in this important event.

December 17 brings us to our Annual Communication. This will be preceded by dinner at 6:30 P.M. Please call your reservations in as early as possible to give the O.E.S. ladies an early estimate of attendees.

I wish to express my appreciation to each and every Brother for the countless help and assistance you have extended to me during the past year. You have indeed made my term as Master an enjoyable and rewarding experience.

To the Masters and Grand Lodge Officers of the Monroe Districts, my public thank you for all of your able assistance. It has been most exciting to be associated with you!

To the new Officers, I pledge my support and assistance in any way I can be of help.

Lastly, I take this opportunity to wish each and everyone a most enjoyable and safe Holiday season.

God Bless, and I hope we meet in Lodge.
Fraternally,
William Kuehne, Master

**Trestleboard
Dec. 3 - 3rd Degree (Dinner/Formal)
Dec. 17 - Annual Meeting (Dinner)
Dec. 10 - Past Masters Annual Meeting**

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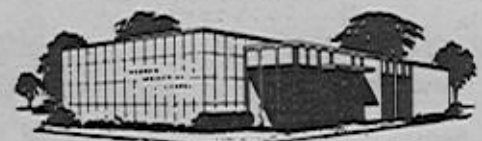
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a spirit of love and joy which
has lived for generations ...



in the hearts of all mankind. Happily do we recall that spirit as we extend Season's Greetings!

MASONIC SERVICE BUREAU

Monroe Masonic News

NORTHFIELD LODGE
No. 426
1st and 3rd
Thursdays
Instituted
March 1857
Pittsford, New York

**Bro. Mike Zona
Presents Picture
Of Masonic U.S.
Presidents
Bro. Bert Freeman
Donated 125 Year
Old Masonic Apron**

Al Miller added his name to those sponsoring a petitioner when his candidate was elected to become a member of the Lodge at our meeting on October 15. We now have 9 Brothers who have brought in a total of 13 petitions this year! Congratulations to these Brothers!!

The Grand Master's message was presented on Official Visit Night by R.W. Larry Geith and R.W. Paul Robertson. It is always a pleasure to have them at our meeting.

Mike Zona has presented a framed picture of the U.S. Presidents who were Masons to the Lodge. This picture was officially accepted on the 15th of October.

Another gift to the Lodge was made on the 15th, when Bert Freeman displayed a silk Masonic apron, which is estimated to be 125 years old.

Monroe Lodge was kind enough to include one of our candidates (who was unable to attend our 1st Degree) when they exemplified the 1st Degree on October 13. Also going to Monroe for the occasion were Glenn Hedges, Mike Zona, Glen King, Charles Reed, and Scott Seltzer.
Wiles E. Converse,
Master

Trestleboard
Dec. 1 - Tuesday - 7:30 P.M. - Rehearsal for 3rd Degree
Dec. 3 - Thursday - 6:30 P.M. - Dinner and 3rd Degree
Dec. 11 - Friday - 7:30 P.M. - Christmas Party
Dec. 17 - Thursday - 7:30 P.M. - Annual Meeting

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

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FAIRPORT LODGE
No. 476
2nd and 4th Mondays

**Fairport Lodge
Honors On
Charles DiRisio**

Brethren:

The DeWitt Clinton Masonic Award for Distinguished Community Service program for which planning was reported last month in this space, came off on schedule on November 9, 1987. Lodge was opened and closed expeditiously for this required business, with the doors then opened at 7:30 P.M. to welcome our invited guests. Some sixty relatives, friends, and brethren were present to honor our DeWitt Clinton Award recipient, Mr. Charles DiRisio, a long time resident of Fairport. Our selection committee had determined that Mr. DiRisio should be the first to receive this award from Fairport Lodge due to his long involvement in community affairs.

Following military service in World War II he returned to Fairport. In addition to continuing gainful employment, he became involved in a series of community activities. Active in the American Legion, he served nine years as Monroe County Adjutant for that organization, and is also a member of the Fairport Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was one of the founders of the Fairport Youth Baseball Program and active in its activities as coach and umpire. For many years he was Chairman of the Fairport Memorial Day Parade, and is a member of the Knights of Columbus and other community groups.

The award was presented to Mr. DiRisio by M.E. Harold R. (Hal) Miller, Grand High Priest of Rpyal Arch Masons in New York State, ably assisted by our Senior Lodge Brothers R.W. Gerald (Chick) Becker, R.W. Robert Cameron, and R.W. Roger Scott.

Prior to the award presentation we were enlightened on some history of Masonry in relation to the U.S. Constitution Bicentennial by our speaker of the evening, M.E. Hal Miller. Earlier, the public program had begun with the presentation of the Colors by a team of Brothers Easton Kelsey, Alfred K. Miller and David Tabor, who, in the spirit of the occasion, wore costumes of the early 1800's. Light entertainment was furnished by Ms. Patricia Carey with music in the manner of the Erie Canal era. I would note here that much success of the event was due to the efforts of the committee, especially Br. Alfred Miller, who did yeoman work in obtaining Bicentennial display material and securing the presence of Ms. Carey and her music.

After close of the formal program the gathering adjourned to our dining room where the Constitution Bicentennial display was set up. There they had the opportunity to fellowship and enjoy the refreshments so

nically prepared by Wor. Matron Norma Phelps and her group from O.E.S.

II. By the time you read this, the dinner to honor our newest Grand Lodge appointee from Fairport Lodge will be history. To honor R.W. Robert Cameron on the occasion of his appointment as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Japan near the Grand Lodge of New York, I appointed a committee consisting of R.W. Chick Becker, R.W. Roger Scott, and Senior Warden Dave Mawhiney, who made all the necessary arrangements for a dinner at the Green Lantern on Sunday afternoon, November 15. A letter of invitation was sent to all Fairport Brothers within commuting cabetow distance and other interested members of the Craft within the Monroe Districts. A fuller report will follow next month.

III. Our meeting of November 23 will have been primarily devoted to the Official Visit of our DDGM, R.W. Gerald Glaser. This is, as you will have noted, a departure from our original program schedule of October 12, due to the untimely illness of our District Deputy. It is good to be able to report that the illness was of short duration. Before the communication, we enjoyed the usual excellent dinner prepared by our ladies of O.E.S.

IV. Our sympathy is extended to W. Br. George Bracht on the death of his stepfather, Samuel Newberry, which occurred in Rochester on October 14, 1987. Our thoughts are with Br. George and Mrs. Newberry.

V. Please take note--it is time again for the Annual Totten Essay Contest. The contest title this year is to be "Coping With Life's Difficulties." Do you have a child or grandchild who is a high school senior this year and headed for college? He or she could win as much as a thousand dollars. Entries must be in by March 1, 1988. Please see Sr. Warden Dave Mawhiney or me for further details if you know someone who qualifies and is interested.

VI. Temple activities: The Trustees have purchased ceiling fans for our Lodge meeting area, and an electrician is in the process of necessary work. This should enhance the comfort of our Temple when the Craft is at work.

VII. Take note, my Brothers, of the Summons to Annual Meeting which you have received from our Secretary. Reserve the evening of December 14, 1987, and be present to exercise your vote as we take up the agenda for our Annual Meeting. Remember, too, that your dues for 1988 are now due.
Fraternally,
Dwight E. Turner, Master

Trestleboard
Dec. 14 - Annual Meeting & Election of Officers
Jan. 11, 1988 - Installation of Officers for 1988

**Correction
We Apologize
to OATKA
Lodge 759**

Past Master Eric Thompson's Copy had the names of Brothers who labored arduously for their Lodge.

The Error is Ours. The Masonic News did not catch the error in proof.

We are running that portion of the column so these Brothers can be recognized for their labors.
—Editor.

UNION STAR LODGE
No. 320
2nd Monday

**Leon W. Parish
A Brother For
65 Years**

Brethren:

At our November Communication and Official Visit, I had the feeling that Masonry was still alive. With only a membership of 83 Brothers, we were honored with 23 members and guests for dinner and 27 members in Lodge.

The highlight of our meeting was the presentation of 25, 30, 35, 40, and 50 year awards, and the high honor of a 65 year award to Brother Leon Ward Parish. (In my January newsletter I will list the Brethren that we honored at the meeting and the Brethren who could not attend.) I was happy that our District Deputy Grand Master R.W. Lawrence F. Geith administered Grand Honors on these Brethren. On behalf of the Brethren, I would like to thank our District Deputy for his message and the history of Union Star Lodge given by R.W. Paul A. Robertson.

Our line of Officers is being formulated for 1988 but we would appreciate any assistance from any of the Brethren that would like to participate in any position or on a committee. Please feel free to call myself at 624-3877 or R.W. Ken Buckland at 624-1308.

By now you have received the Summons for our Annual Communication for December 14, 1987. Some of our Brethren are past due in their dues. I would appreciate a phone call if there is an oversight or a hardship on these not being paid.
Fraternally,
W. Paul Spillane,
Senior Warden

Trestleboard
Dec. 14 - Regular
Communication, Election of
Officers, 7:30 P.M.
Jan. 11 - Dinner, 6:30
P.M.; Installation, 7:30
P.M.

Our Lodge is really shaping up these days thanks to the Scheerens family. They have done a tremendous amount of work during the summer. They installed a handicap ramp at the rear of the building. This is now our main entrance. There will be no more parking in front of our building. Parking is now on the church side. The front part of the building should have grass on it by next year, in accordance with town laws. The Scheerens also installed new lights in our Dining Room, along with a new fire exit door, and put in three new glass windows. This helps to bring the building up to legality for the town's building codes. The Lodge's thanks go to S.W. Bill Scheerens, his son, J.W. Glen Scheerens, Bill's other son, S.D. Larry Scheerens, and Bill's nephew, J.D. James Dean Scheerens, and thanks also go to S.M.C. Larry Blasie, also to our Chaplain, Gil Ralston and his nephew for the fine job they did in installing the inner glass doors at the front of our building, which should stop a lot of cold air from entering our Lodge. Also installed in our Upper Lodge Room were two electric ceiling fans. These help in the warm months to keep us cooler, and should drive the heat down off the ceiling in the cold months, therefore saving on heating bills.

Grand Sword Bearer

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biomedical research in the fields of heart disease, gerontology, cancer, hypertension, and blood substitutes.

This enjoyable trip is for Brethren, Ladies, friends, and prospective candidates.

Here are the details: call the Masonic Service Bureau, 473-4351, for reservations.

Date: Saturday, December 19, 1987.

Cost: \$11.00 per person. Endorse your check to The Masonic Service Bureau and mail it to the Masonic Service Bureau, Masonic Temple, 875 Main Street E., Rochester, N.Y. 14605-2789.

Departure: Bus leaves the downtown Temple parking lot at 8:30 A.M. Sharp.

Donuts and Coffee served aboard bus. We'll sing and have fun all the way.

Arrival At Home: 11:00 A.M.

Bring Box Lunch: Coffee and tea provided at the Home.

Leave Masonic Home at 3:30 P.M.

Stop At Trinkus Manor for dinner.

Return To Rochester at 9:00 P.M.

Canandaigua Veterans Hospital

How would you like to help wrapping gifts for our War Veterans? These men who have served our country look forward to receiving Christmas gifts as you and I do.

R.W. Tom Paglia invites everyone to assist with the wrapping on Wednesday, December 2, 9:00 A.M., in the Building 5 auditorium. Call Tom at 227-2046 for more info.

Sunday, December 20, 1:00 P.M. -- Christmas Ward Party and distribution of gifts, Building 5 auditorium. Many volunteers go to the Canandaigua Masonic Temple first for brunch at 11:00 A.M. For only \$2.50, you can have all you can eat -- eggs, pancakes, French toast, bacon, toast, coffee, and juice. What a bargain -- and it's delicious.

If You Haven't Enrolled in the Grand Lodge Correspondence Course, now is the time to do it. R.W. Fritz Friedrich and myself want to enroll all the Brethren in Monroe County.

Again we invite you to fill in the form at the bottom of the page and send it to R.W. George Peter, Box 141, Aurora, N.Y. 13026.

May the Joy and Peace of this Holiday Season fill your hearts with Love.

Yours for More Fellowship and Brotherly Love,
Paul A. Robertson

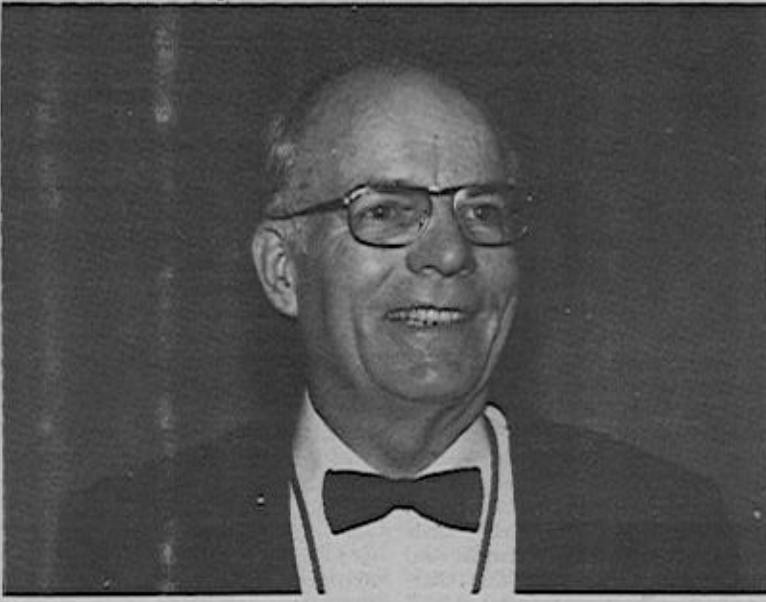
**CUSTODIANS
CORNER**

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Deacon has informed the Tiler, and closed the door, any Brother properly clothed is entitled to enter the Lodge room, and 2) because it says so in the Ritual Book, where the Junior Deacon, without prior instructions for knocking or opening the door, is instructed to "speak through the open door".



**Appointed
 Grand Representative**



R.W. Robert E. Cameron was appointed Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Japan near the Grand Lodge of New York by M.W. Grand Master Robert C. Singer on September 14, 1987. He was made a Master Mason in Charles River Lodge, A.F.&A.M., West Medway, Mass., in 1968 and affiliated with Fairport Lodge, No. 476, F.&A.M. in 1970, serving as its Worshipful Master in 1979. He was elected Treasurer in 1980 and has served in this office and as Lodge Advisor since then. He has been Ritualist for the past two years and has served as Interlodge Fellowship Representative and as Acting President of this group, Communication Chairman, Brotherhood Fund Chairman, and Finance Committee Member. His concordant body activities include membership in Damascus Temple, Shrine Masons, A.A.O.N.M.S.; member of Legion of Honor unit and former member of their marching unit and competitive drill team; Zenobia Commandery, No. 41, Knights Templar; Webster Chapter, No. 444, Royal Arch Masons. He was Patron of Fairport Chapter, No. 444, O.E.S. in 1978 with his late wife, Marion A., who was Matron. He has served as Warden and Sentinel in the Chapter and is presently serving as Sentinel. Bob married Mrs. Betty J. Merriman in late 1986. He has five married children: Richard, Bruce, and Alan Cameron, Janis Born, and Linda Popelka, and six grand children from his first marriage, two step-children, Carol Rodgerson and William Bilby, and three step-grand children from his marriage to Betty. Bob and Betty attend the First Baptist Church in Fairport where he served as Church School Superintendent for four years. Presently, Bob is a volunteer driver for the Baptist Home in Fairport and on the board of directors for the Fairport Apartments for Seniors. He retired from Xerox Corporation in 1986 where he was a Sr. Industrial and Manufacturing Engineer. He is a graduate of Oklahoma State University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Industrial Engineering and Management. He served in World War II in the Pacific Theater of Operations as a Staff Sergeant aboard aircraft as a radio/radar operator of the 5th Air Force participating in three major air campaigns. His hobbies include golf, bicycle riding, wood working, and photography.

**A Night
 For The Ladies**

On October 19, 1987, the 3rd Degree of Master Mason was conferred on our two Brothers, Chris Starr and Richard Stone, by P.M. Skip Waterstreet. The Brethren who participated in that Degree were P.M. Al Connon, Tom Davis, and Ed Walker; Brothers John Brown, Warren Doerrer, Robert Freitag, Norm Gauch, Jim Gee, Sam Grover, Rich Gundry, Frank Newman, Jim Rotenberry, Cecil Sabin, Willis Seville, Bill Stark, and W. Harry Ellender. W. Bill Kuehne of Webster Lodge was our organist for this Degree. Thank you, W. Kuehne, for the beautiful music you played that evening. The receiving of this Degree will be one of their highlights in Masonry as they travel and join other Brothers on this road throughout their life. Welcome to the Craft, Brothers Chris Starr and Richard Stone. May you find enrichment in your life on becoming a Master Mason.

On the evening of November 2, the Caldron Chapter served dinner to 94 Ladies, Brothers, and friends of John A. Robertson Lodge, Valley Lodge, and Rochester Chapter. Thank you, Ladies, for a delicious dinner. This evening was a night for the Ladies. We had our widows, the ones who were able to come that evening, as our guests. Those who attended were Grace Ellis, Marie Johnston, Mrs. George Joyce, Marguerite Pollow, Maxine Reitz, and Caroline Webster, plus two friends. It was a pleasure to renew friendship with our widows. Valley Lodge was honoring Mrs. Thelma Fraser of Rochester Chapter. Those who attended that evening besides our widows were John Brown, Betty and Maurice Clark, Nancy and Al Connon, Sally and Tom Davis, Jan and John DeBack, Warren Doerrer, Ethel and Harry Ellender, Anna and Sam Grover, John Lont, Elizabeth and Norm Millard, Joanne and Frank Morse, Frank Newman, Doris and Paul Robertson, Cecil Sabin, Dorothy and Willis Seville, Jayne and Cliff Smith, Jim Smith, Bill Stark, Ed Walker, Ginney and George Wilkinson, Gladys and Larry Geith of Genesee Falls Lodge, and Bill Baldwin from Frank L. Simes Lodge.

What an evening it was of fun, humor, friendship, and brotherly love. With this large group of Ladies and Brothers, together, the 3rd Floor Dining Room was full of buzzing conversation, warmth, hardy laughter, and the room was full of love for each other. It was an evening for the Ladies to remember, dinner, friendship, entertainment by a dance group headed by Sharon Baldwin, and a climax of an award presentation to a wonderful Lady, Mrs. Thelma Fraser, by W. Richard Giedd of Valley Lodge. The presentation was held in Doric Hall with over 100 Ladies, Brothers, and friends present. It was good to see both sides of the Lodge room filled. Many thanks go to Sharon Baldwin and her dance group for their wonderful, enjoyable performance for the Ladies. I thank the widows and their guests for their presence and all the Ladies for making that evening a memorable one for everyone who were present. It was my pleasure to be with all of you that evening. Let us not wait so long to meet together

again.

**Brotherhood Fund Drive -
 Chairman Norm Gauch**

Dear Brother:

The 1987-88 Masonic Brotherhood Fund Drive is now in progress and will extend through May of 1988.

As chairman, I am pleased to report that there was an excellent response to this appeal last year. Over 50% of our membership made a contribution making John A. Robertson Lodge the third highest, percentage wise, of contributors in the Second Monroe District. The actual amount received was \$1,658.00, which was a sizeable increase over the previous year.

However, we can do better! This year's goal, as set by Grand Lodge, is two million dollars and the John A. Robertson Lodge should assume its fair share. Remember, no contribution is too small or insignificant! Last year's contributions ranged from \$2.00 to \$200.00, and each and every amount helped to make the drive a success.

Therefore, please give

favorable consideration to making your contribution to this most worthwhile cause. Fraternally yours,
 Norman E. Gauch
 Lodge Chairman

Under Sickness and Distress:

P.M. Edward Main, who has been ill, passed away October 28, 1987.

Brothers who celebrate their birthdays in December are: 1 - Francis X. Montback; 6 - James J. Passarella; 13 - Newell A. Ferris (89); 16 - Kenneth A. Pierce; 17 - Kenneth W. Thompson; 20 - James N. Gilson and Gordon W. Watts; 23 - Richard G. Gundry; 26 - Fred Walgenbach; 27 - Edwin J. Smith and Elwin A. Smith; 30 - John H. Auer, Jr., Clifford N. Hayner, and Donald F. Kohler. To all, have a healthy and happy birthday with your families and friends.

Dear Brethren of John A. Robertson Lodge:
 You are hereby summoned to attend the Annual Stated Communication of John A. Robertson Lodge, No. 1032,

**Many Thanks
 To All For
 Your Support**

Brethren:

The end of the year is finally at hand, bringing a close to my tenure as Master. I wish to share a few thoughts with you from my observations and functions as Master of this Lodge.

In following with W. Lloyd Weston's example last year, we attempted to generate more enthusiasm in our membership by planning a full schedule of events, as well as trying a few new things, such as visiting other Lodges in the winter months, which was moderately successful. We were invited to our O.E.S. chapter's Summer Picnic in June and reciprocated by inviting them to our Family Picnic, which had a turnout of 44 people. Summer brought our new meeting schedule, with the hopes of seeing some of our "Florida Brothers", and in fact R.W. Marty Reitz and W. Harold Gruschow were present at all our meetings in the summer months - thank you, Brothers!

We also presented 40-year membership pins to Bro. Bob Norget and W. Bro. Bob Sanford.

Our Ladies Night with Union Star, Union, and Avon Springs Lodges at Green Hills Country Club in Mendon was a great success, with everyone having a good time.

The Felooecraft Club has undertaken many projects both inside and outside the

to be held in its Lodge Room at the Rochester Masonic Temple, 875 East Main Street, Rochester, N.Y., on December 21, 1987, at 7:30 P.M., for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

By order of
 Harry W. Ellender
 Worshipful Master
 Attest
 L. Edward Walker
 Secretary

Brothers and families, have a holiday season of joy, health, and prosperity at Christmas and the New Year. Why not make the attempt to come out to your Lodge meetings and enjoy the friendship and brotherly love of your fellow Masons?
Fraternally Yours,
 Master Harry W. Ellender

Trestleboard
 Dec. 7 - Tri Lodge Christmas Party
 Dec. 21 - Annual Meeting
 Dec. 29 - Investiture Service
 Jan. 4, 1988 - Installation of New Officers

Lodge during the past year to improve our Lodge building. In particular are the cleaning, waxing, and buffing of the hardwood floor, and W. Bro. Larry Millend's work on the outside of the building and the lot. Thanks to all who helped with the projects.

Finances are still a problem. Gas and electric rates are climbing, so even though we are using 25% less gas, we are presently paying the equivalent of our old utility bill 3 years ago, when the old steam boiler was in use. Liability and fire insurance has taken a drastic jump, even with Bro. Tom Clark's efforts to keep increases at a minimum. Membership in the past 3 years has seen the addition of 1 new Brother, but the loss of over 20 due to dimits, unaffiliations, or death, some of which were active members, and were at meetings and functions on a regular basis. Presently, 7 Brothers are due to be un-affiliated for non-payment of dues, 2 of which are Life Members. This will bring our net loss in 3 years to over 30 members. And, as all who read their mail are aware, current dues for 1987 are still neglected by 17 Brothers.

In closing, the year has been good to us, as well as bad. I thank all who came to the Lodge meetings, Fellowship meetings and functions, our picnics, the Constitutional Observance, and our 125th Anniversary Celebration. Your attendance and support of the Lodge was, and is, appreciated by me. To those of you who do not come to any function, I ask you why? In late December or January all members will receive a 1988 Trestleboard - why not use it? You may be surprised! Again, thanks to all who helped me this year, in particular W. Bro. Bob Sanford and Bro. Ted Diehl, and I hope to see you all on the sidelines!
Respectfully,
 A. Rodgers

Trestleboard

- Dec. 8 - Annual Summons Meeting, Election of Officers for 1988, Installation of Officers for 1988.
- Dec. 13 - Open Installation, 2:00 P.M.



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FLOWER CITY LODGE
No. 910
2nd Tuesday

Annual Latke Hop
December 20

This will be my last column as Master of Flower City Lodge, since I will defer to the Master-Elect for the January issue.

It has been an unspectacular year, but there were some events of note worth recording. We celebrated our Ladies Night in April, in conjunction with the Grand Ball, when I had the pleasure and honor of acting as Toastmaster with a gathering of over 450 people, headed by the Grand Master, M.W. Robert C. Singer. In June, we honored the widows of some of our departed members at a special meeting, where, following a special catered dinner, all the ladies present were given special commemorative pins and cards to mark the occasion. A week later, the Fellowcraft Club hosted them at their Annual Steak Roast.

Prior to that, in May, we saw our local Congressman, R.W. and Hon. Frank J. Horton, presented with the Distinguished Achievement Medal at the Annual Grand Lodge Communication, following which our own R.W. Gerald J. Glaser was appointed District Deputy Grand Master of the 1st Monroe District. R.W. Glaser has recently undergone surgery, and is happily recovering rapidly, making his Official Visit to the Lodge in November. May also saw our annual visit to Toronto for the Palestine Lodge Ladies Night, where we had a very good turnout of our members.

It should also be recorded that I submitted a written report of the Grand Lodge Communication to every member of the Lodge, so that all concerned might be aware of the proceedings.

In October, accompanied by a delegation from the Lodge, I attended Perseverance Lodge, Buffalo, where I had the great honor of receiving Honorary Membership, which I regard as a great tribute to Flower City Lodge. In October, also, we participated

with Seneca Lodge in exemplifying some of the floorwork at the Grand Lecturer's Convention.

We brought in a new Brother during the year, and the ritual work by the Officers concerned was done in a satisfactory manner, with special mention to Bro. Richard Friedman, Senior Deacon, for a brilliant Middle Chamber lecture, and to R.W. Dan Blumenthal, a recently affiliated member, for his expert handling of the Third Degree.

Sadly, we have to report the passing of a member of our Brethren, including many of the better-known members, but none more so than our oldest Past Master and first ever District Deputy, R.W. Joseph Silverstein, who had been a stalwart of our Lodge for almost 70 years, of which he served as Treasurer for 50 years.

It disturbs me to report that the attendance at Lodge this year has dropped drastically, indicating a great deal of apathy and indifference on the part of our members, especially our Past Masters. What with this problem, and the growing crisis regarding the Masonic Temple, the future prospects for our continued existence within the Temple remain extremely cloudy - only Time will tell whether we remain, or look elsewhere for a "home".

Annual Meeting
The Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 8, 1987, at which time we will receive all the Reports, and elect our Officers for 1988.

Annual Latke Hop
You have all received details of the Latke Hop in the mail, to be held on Sunday, December 20, 1987, at the Temple, with Square Dance at 3:30 P.M. and "fressing" at 5:30 P.M. Please make your reservations as soon as possible, and allow our "caterers" enough time to calculate how many latkes they will have to make. We also hope to have many of our widows present, and hopefully a very pleasant afternoon will be had by all. Maurice Solomon
Worshipful Master

Trestleboard
Dec. 8 - Tues. - Annual Meeting. Reports, Election of Officers.

Dec. 15 - Tues. - Fellowcraft Club.

Dec. 20 - Sun. - Latke Hop, Masonic Temple, 3:30 P.M.

Dec. 29 - Tues. - Annual Investiture: Past Masters Only.

Jan. 12 - Tues. - Installation of Officers for 1988.

Best Wishes for the Holiday Seasons to All Members of Flower City Lodge.

YONNONDIO LODGE
No. 163
1st and 3rd
Tuesdays



ROCHESTER LODGE
No. 660
2nd Monday

Open Installation
December 8th

Arthur F. Havill
Master

On December 8, 1987, Rochester Lodge will have an Open Meeting for the Installation of Lodge Officers for 1988. Bro. Robert Borden, Jr., will be elected and installed formally on the Annual Summoned Meeting, December 14, 1987. Because of Christmas and no meeting in January, we decided to have the Open Meeting so members, wives, friends, and non-Masons can attend. A dinner will precede the meeting starting at 6:30 P.M. For reservations call me at 244-3068 - as soon as possible.

I am sorry to report the death of Bro. William R. Wilder of Lantana, Florida. The sympathy of the Lodge was expressed to his wife, Vera. I talked to Leland McClelland on the phone; he has arthritis, and he said he had a good nurse, his wife, Nancy, who takes good care of him. Bro. Arthur Morrell is back home after his stay in the hospital. Bro. Art has Parkinson disease. I paid a visit with Bro. Kenneth Hewitt and found he is steadily improving after his surgery. We had an interesting talk catching up on what is happening. I called on Bro. Louis Lublin; he is in a motorized wheel chair and can maneuver the chair around the house with ease. Had a long talk with Bro. Lou and his wife, Joan. W.B. George Bradshaw and wife, Jean, returned after a month in China. I received a nice note from Bro. Bob and Shirley Allen. They show Appaloosa horses. Bro. Bob

placed 3rd at the Appaloosa National Show held in Columbus, Ohio, and he placed 3rd in the National standings. Shirley placed in Hi-point in the National for pleasure driving. They will be wintering in Florida.

Congratulations to the following Brothers who celebrate their birthday in December: Henry Darwent 12/2; Charles Adams 12/3; Samuel Freedland 12/5; R.W. Donald Leisten, who informed me he will be retiring at the end of the year, 12/6; Robert Borden, Jr., who will be Master in 1988, 12/8; Donald Woodruff 12/9; John Robinson 12/10; Alfred Hogg 12/15; Earl Pearce 12/15; Harvey Feldman 12/17; Martin Feinberg 12/17; Theodore Hamilton 12/19; Max Barwald 12/24; Kenneth Dunning 12/27; Emanuel Poulis 12/27; LeRoy Wilson 12/27; and Ralph Rowlingson 12/31.

Don't forget: we do not meet during the months of January and February and will meet during the summer in July and August.

Have an enjoyable holiday, and let's make it a point to attend Lodge in 1988. The Lodge needs the support of every member. Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukka, and a Very Happy New Year.

George M. Adams
Secretary
Trestleboard
Dec. 6 - Finance Committee meeting at the home of W.B. George Adams, 131 Elmore Road, breakfast at 9:30.
Dec. 8 - Open Installation of Officers with the Public invited. Dinner at 6:30 P.M.
Dec. 14 - Annual Summons Meeting, Election of Officers, and Installation of Officers.

GENESEE FALLS LODGE
No. 507
2nd Thursday

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Grand Steward



R.W. Fritz Friedrich

Is It OK To Say "Masonry" Out Loud?

You bet it is! For years we have been mentioning Masonry in hushed tones; and then only to other Masons. It is difficult to break an old habit.

Seven years ago at a meeting in Churchville Lodge we heard Grand Master Bruce Widger say: "Masonry has been hiding its light under a bushel. It's time to let some of the light out."

Now, 7 years later, we have only begun to lift the bushel and bring Masonry out to the public. During Grand Master Singer's administration we are gradually opening up and getting recognition that we have subdued too long. To help our public image, "Masonry Comes to Light", Grand Lodge has been providing TV announcements, articles in newspapers and Time Magazine, and a comprehensive slide presentation that each Lodge can show to non-Masons.

Don't be afraid of saying, "Yes, I am a Mason", or telling them that you are involved with Masonry. How can anyone ask you about Masonry if they never heard of it, or the good works performed by Masons? Tell friends and acquaintances of the work you do as an officer, a chairman, a committeeman, etc. Be sure to mention the social activities that you and your family participate in, the various charitable things your Lodge supports. The list of items that could be of interest to a prospective Mason are endless. You never know what might appeal to your listener.

How can you help? Be prepared to carry the blue Q & A folder ("Answers to Questions about the Masonic Fraternity"). After you have talked to a man about your activities in Masonry, hand him the Q & A folder. The answers to these questions are given in this folder: What is Freemasonry? Will I be asked to join? What are the requirements for membership? What happens at the initiation? Where did Freemasonry start? What do Freemasons do? Is Freemasonry a secret society? Who are the Freemasons? What happens at lodge meetings? Are religion and politics a part of Freemasonry? How do Masons help other people?

Get your folder from your Lodge Officers now!

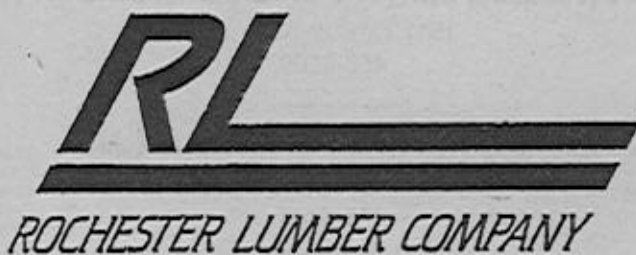
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Lalla Rookh GROTTO

By George Francis

December Meeting To Be Annual Election of Officers And Christmas Party

Prophets:

The November meeting, designated as Nominations Night, and ably presided over by our Chief Justice, Dick Jackson, showed a full line of Officers for 1988. P.M. Ken Milner was in charge of the nominations, and our congratulations go to him for a job well done. All who attended enjoyed the refreshments following the meeting.

Our meeting in December will be the Annual Election of Officers and the Christmas Party. This meeting is a "must", and it is hoped that a large number of our Prophets will be present. Don't forget our Annual Turkey Dinner before the meeting. Reservations are a must. Call Erne Wilson at the Grotto Office.

The Board of Governors met on November 10, and the proposal submitted by Grand Lodge was voted on and accepted.

The Monarch's Ball held on November 7 was-- in the opinion of all who attended--a great success. It was held at the Airport Holiday Inn, and about 75 were present for a fine dinner and the dancing that followed.

Our congratulations go to Prophet James Lee and his wife, Betty. They were appointed as Lecturer and District Deputy of the Livingston District, O.E.S., for the coming year. Our best to the both of you.

The Legion of Honor has also presented a complete slate of Officers for 1988. The installation date will be announced at the December meeting.

Lalla Rookh Grotto will again host the Christmas Party to be held at the Happiness House in Geneva on December 18, 1987. This has been an annual affair for our Grotto, and our thanks go to P.M. Ron Charron and P.M. Merch Merritt for all the work they put into it. All are welcome.

P.M. Fred Ambeau tells us that the sale of Enchanted Lanterns is down, and he hopes all the Prophets will give him their support for this cause. Let's go, Prophets. We also hear that Fred and Shirley are going to serve as Matron and Patron of Monroe Chapter in 1988. We all hope you both will have a happy year.

Prophet Roy Snider tells us that his daughter, Jill, is engaged to Mr. Eric Quigley, and a wedding is planned for next August. Our best wishes to both of them.

We're told that P.M. George Lyon is recuperating in Florida after a recent operation, that Bob Hansen is recuperating at home, and that Prophet Bob Uteritz is to have an operation soon.

Dates to Remember:

- Dec. 16 - Election of Grotto Officers
- Dec. 18 - Christmas Party at Happiness House
- Jan. 9 - Formal Installation of Grotto Officers

Prophets:

Each year as we approach the Holiday Season, we wonder what is in store for us in the coming year. Let us hope and pray that all--Prophets and their families--will enjoy good health, good luck, and the fulfillment of their ambitions.

Our best to you all, and God Bless.

Fraternally.

Just a reminder

Masters, Wardens and Ladies...

The Widows Luncheon is Saturday, February 27, 1988, Logan's Party House, Scottsville Road.

We want to make every effort to see that all the Ladies attend that can. This means communication. So if you know of a Lady or hear of one who has not attended, let the Service Bureau or any Lodge member know. We will take the appropriate action.

During the month of November the information packets and tickets will be sent to the Masters of all Lodges and related bodies.

So please mark the date and plan to attend.

- Fraternally yours,
The Committee for the Widows Luncheon
Masonic Service Bureau
Purple Club of the Monroe Districts
Active Committee
R.W. Ron Mertens
R.W. Bob Rudman
W. Steve Whittacker
W. Bill Kuehne
W. Gene Brendel
W. Bill Baldwin
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\$11,000.00 Distributed At The Inter-Faith Breakfast Nov. 1st.

The Masons of this area contributed \$11,000 to various charitable organizations locally and statewide. The awards were made at their Annual Inter-Faith Service and Breakfast. The Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York, Most Worshipful Robert C. Singer, was present for the awards ceremony and gave the principal address.

The Masonic Service Bureau of Rochester, which supports the 27 Masonic Lodges of Monroe County and associated organizations, also presented its annual Community Service Award to Mr. Gabe Dalmath of the WHEC-TV 10 News Staff. The award was given because of his tireless volunteer efforts to numerous civic and community activities. The presentation was made by the Honorable Frank J. Horton, a past recipient of the award. Mr. Dalmath has been particularly active with the Muscular Dystrophy Association Telethon, Rochester Area Multiple Sclerosis Assn., and Junior Achievement, together with many other local organizations.

The groups receiving contributions included Camp Good Days, \$500.00; Open Door Mission, \$1000.00; Family Resource Center, \$1000.00; Christ Church (meals & more), \$500.00; Hillel Foundation, \$500.00; Corpus Christi Church, \$500.00; DeMolay Foundation, \$1000.00; Rochester Area Multiple Sclerosis, \$1000.00; Salvation Army, \$500.00; St. Peter's Kitchen, \$500.00; Southeast Ecumenical Ministries "Seafish", \$500.00; Masonic Medical Research Center, \$1000.00; Coalition of Food Cupboards, \$500.00; Congregational Ministry to the Elderly, \$500.00; St. Joseph's House of Hospitality, \$500.00; and Masonic Youth Camp Turk, \$1000.00. Representatives of nearly all of these groups were present to accept the donations.

The Grand Master expressed his concern about the need for brotherhood in his remarks, and also his feelings that all community groups must work together to achieve the common good. Similar contributions have been made since 1983 in an effort to support agencies as they continue to help in a variety of causes. The most noticeable form of brotherhood was a colorguard made up of Masons and their counterparts from the Knights of Columbus.

The donations made at this time were one phase of the overall charity program of the Masonic Service Bureau. In 1987, scholarships were awarded to eight Senior students attending Monroe County High Schools in the amount of \$1000.00 each. These eight students were given these awards to attend colleges and universities during their Freshman year. Awards of \$500.00 were made available to each group of Masonic youth organizations to be used for similar purposes.

The Masonic Service Bureau intends to continue to recognize individuals and organizations within the community who are deserving of their support. It is felt that this approach best meets the needs of the greatest numbers of persons and is in keeping with the principles of Masonry.

FAME LODGE No. 945

2nd and 4th Tuesdays

Dear Brothers:

It has been a real pleasure to serve you for the past twelve months. My only wish is that the pressures of starting a new business had not denied me the opportunity to do more. But I guess that is the wish of every outgoing master!

I would like to thank all the Brothers who supported me in the last year, especially John Dense. Brethren, you have no idea how hard this Brother works year around for our Lodge! Thank you again, John, for all you do.

I would like to congratulate Mike Bell upon his election to Master for the ensuing year. I know that he will be one of the best, and I hope that I can be of service to him.

Once again, Brothers,

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Dec. 7 - "Money - What do you do with it now that you have it?"
Richard Townsend

Dec. 14 - "Money - What do you do with it now that you have it?" justoff;
Peggy Favasuli

Dec. 21 - Winter Party - Crescent Beach Hotel

Dec. 28 - Election and Installation of Officers

The Annual Christmas Luncheon of the Shrine Lunch Club will be held on December 21, 1987, at 12:00 noon at the Crescent Beach Hotel on Edgemere Drive. There is a choice of 2 lunches, at a cost of \$8.00 each, which includes tax and gratuity. Make checks payable to the Shrine Lunch Club and mail them to Arthur Maupin, 10 Ross Street, Rochester, N.Y. 14615.

For telephone reservations you may call Allan Holstrom at 482-5357 or Percy Klingenberg at 436-3232.

Reservation deadline is December 14, 1987, and all reservations made shall be considered paid for.

All officers have tickets.

Please make _____ reservations for the Annual Shrine Lunch Club's Christmas Luncheon on Monday, December 21, 1987, at 12:00 noon at the Crescent Beach Hotel.

_____ Old Fashion Chicken Pot Pie

_____ Roast Sirloin of Beef Au Jus

My check of \$ _____ is enclosed.

Signed, _____

Masters & Wardens Association

Brethren:

Well, the end of 1987 Masters and Wardens year is upon us. The next Masters and Wardens meeting will be on January 23, 1988, at the Main Street Temple. Dinner reservations can be made by each group calling me at 427-7229 or W. Dick Giedd at 225-8102.

As this is the last article before the holiday season, I would like to wish everyone a Happy Holiday Season and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Fraternally,
W. Robert M. Dibble
President

Installation Dates for 1st and 2nd Monroe Lodges:

Henrietta #526
December 8, 8:00 P.M.

Oatka #759
December 9, 7:30 P.M.

Zetland #951
December 10, 7:30 P.M.

Seneca #797
December 15, 5:30 P.M.

Craftsman #969
December 21, 7:30 P.M.

Valley #109
December 21, 7:30 P.M.

John Robertson #1032
January 4, 7:45 P.M.

Penfield Union #154
January 5, 7:30 P.M.

Yonnondio #163
January 5, 7:30 P.M.

Clio #779
January 5, 7:30 P.M.

Charlotte-Corinthian #1088
January 5, 7:30 P.M.

Northfield #426
January 7, 7:30 P.M.

Webster #538
January 7, 7:30 P.M.

Rochester #660
January 8, 7:30 P.M.

Union Star #320
January 11, 7:30 P.M.

Fairport #476
January 11, 7:30 P.M.

Etolian #479
January 11, 8:00 P.M.

Wakan-Hubbard #1054
January 11, 7:30 P.M.

Monroe #173
January 12, 7:30 P.M.

Flower City #910
January 12, 7:30 P.M.

Fame #945
January 12, 7:30 P.M.

Frank L. Simes #990
January 12, 7:45 P.M.

East Rochester #1020
January 12, 7:30 P.M.

Churchville #667
January 13, 7:30 P.M.

Germania #722
January 13, 7:30 P.M.

Ancient Craft #943
January 13, 7:30 P.M.

Genesee Falls #507
January 14, 7:30 P.M.

FRANK L SIMES LODGE

990
2nd
Tuesday



Annual Meeting Election of Officers December 8

At our November Communication the R.W. Gerald Glaser, DDGM 1st Monroe, and the R.W. Fritz Friedrich, Grand Steward, were in attendance to deliver the Grand Master's message to all the Brothers. They discussed many subjects, all part of the Grand Master's 15 Point Program for the year. It was a very informative meeting for all.

During the Business meeting of the evening, much discussion was held on the topic of the Masonic Temple. There were two propositions from the Board of Trustees that had to be voted on by the Lodge so that our member of the Board of Trustees could vote in accordance with

CLIO LODGE
No. 779
1st and 3rd Tuesdays

3rd Degree To Be Conferred December 1st.

Brethren:

On December 1, 1987, the 3rd Degree will be conferred. Lodge will open at 6:00 P.M. Dinner served at 6:30. To make reservations for dinner, please contact Bro. Jim Adams at 426-0568.

Also, on December 12, Clio Lodge, along with Leah Chapter #183, O.E.S., will host a Christmas party, starting at 4:30 P.M. Please bring a dish to pass. Santa Claus will also attend for the benefit of the children.

We wish to extend our congratulations to our Worshipful Master on his re-election as Justice of the Peace of Williamson, N.Y. (Please drive through very, very carefully.)

On the 5th of January, 1988, Clio Lodge will have the Installation of Officers. Dinner at 6:30. Lodge opens at 6:00 P.M. Please call for reservations at the above telephone number.

Also, on the 16th of January at 1:00 P.M. (Saturday afternoon) Clio Lodge will conduct an open public installation of Lodge Officers. Your attendance will be welcome and appreciated. Refreshments will be served immediately following the installation, in the Lodge dining area. Fraternally,
Tom Goodford
Senior Warden

the Lodge direction. In short, the propositions are: 1) Keep the Temple, or 2) Sell the Temple to an appropriate buyer. The Lodge had to choose one of the propositions. After much discussion, the Lodge voted to go with Proposition 2, Sell the Temple. This was not an easy decision, but it was felt by a majority of the body that it was in the best interest of your Lodge future.

The Lodge Fellowcraft Square Dance was held on November 21. All who attended had a great time. Our thanks to Dick and Dode Guilfoyle for their fine hospitality.

The December Communication will be the Annual Meeting. Election of Officers and a vote on the budget for the ensuing year will take place. Lodge will open at 5:45 P.M. and break for fellowship at 6:00 P.M. Dinner will be served at 6:30 P.M. Lodge will resume promptly at 7:45 P.M.

Dinner will be served at 6:30 P.M. Dinner reservations can be made by calling Brothers Don Brown at 442-1169, or Richard Snyder at 586-4624. Make every effort to get your reservations in by December 4, so ample food will be available.

William A. Baldwin,
Master
Trestleboard
Dec. 5 - Widow and shut-in visitation
Dec. 8 - Dinner at 6:30 P.M. (TUX), Annual Communication, Election of Officers
Dec. 15 - Fellowcraft Christmas Party, Glenn Stahl, 25 County Clare, 377-2415, 8:00 P.M.

CRAFTSMAN LODGE
No. 969
F.&A.M.
1st and 3rd
Mondays

Past Masters Of Charlotte-Corinthian Lodge No. 1088



First Row: Floyd Bedoar, John Hinds, Harry Ellender, Luke Grande, Gordon Davidson, Matt Barry, Tom Paglia, Joe Privitera.

Back Row: Ray Unger, Jim Branigan, R. Keith Stambach, Jim Gisleson, Don Fox, Rick Bedoar, Duane Manchester, Bert Steene, Bob Forest, Don Freeman.

Past Masters Meet For Dinner And Confer Second Degree

by Wor. Joe Privitera

On October 20, 1987, the Past Masters of Charlotte-Corinthian put on the Second Degree. Everyone involved did a fantastic job. Wor. Ray Unger was Chaplain, Rt. Wor. Duane Manchester was Marshal, Wor. Luke Grande and Wor. Floyd Bedoar were the Stewards, Wor. Rick Bedoar was the Jr. Master of Ceremonies, Rt. Wor. Tom Paglia was the Sr. Master of Ceremonies, Wor. Harry Ellender was the Jr. Deacon, Wor. Keith Stambach was the Sr. Deacon, Wor. Matt Barry was the Jr. Warden, Rt. Wor. Gordon Davidson was the Sr. Warden, and myself in the East. Rt. Wor. Jim Gisleson did the Working Tools, Rt. Wor. Bert Steene did the Middle Chamber Lecture, Wor. Don Fox and Wor. Ray Unger did the Questions and Answers, and Wor. Rick Bedoar did the Charge. Wor. Jim Branigan was at the organ. Other Past Masters present were Worshipfuls Ken VanGelder, John Hinds, Bob Forest, Don Freeman, and Don Carlile. This was the first Past Masters Night since 1984 and an indicator that things are indeed on the upswing at Charlotte-Corinthian.

The Past Masters met a week later at Lakeshore Country Club for the 34th Annual Meeting of the Ed Hilfinger Past Masters Club. Fifteen Past Masters were present, along with our current Master, Dave Jones. As you may expect, there was much reminiscing of days past, but there was also discussion of Masonry and of our Lodge in today's world.

Rt. Wor. Tom Paglia was chosen to succeed Wor. Ray Unger as President, and yours truly was chosen to succeed Wor. Stan Geer as Secretary Treasurer.

Tidbits of information: There are currently 52 Past Masters in Charlotte-Corinthian Lodge. Of this, 11 live in Florida, 1 in Arizona, 1 in Virginia, 1 in Colorado, and 1 in Ontario, Canada.
Fraternally,
Wor. Joe Privitera

Brethren:

On October 29, 1987, the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Robert C. Singer, gave our Lodge written dispensation to leave the Masonic Temple on Main Street and move to Fame Temple in Irondequoit. There will be a bylaws change vote in December so that our meeting nights will be on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays instead of the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays.

As everyone knows, the move was forced on us by two major factors: 1) the chaotic financial situation at the Temple and 2) our desire to rebuild our Lodge. As it stands now, there doesn't seem to be any early end to the financial difficulties of the Main Temple. Our rent is approximately \$2,610.00 a year on Main Street. There has been serious discussion on the Board of raising the rent per man to offset a growing over-run on budget. In order for us to stay in the Temple at the present time, our dues would have to be raised by this amount plus in order to keep ourselves on a level that we are now on. Unfortunately, with this type of increase we will lose approximately one half of our membership. As for staying on a level that we are now on, it is a level that is gradually sinking. With this move to Fame Temple we will accomplish several things.

First, with a reduced rent, we will be able to lower dues and yet at the same time increase our financial base. Second, we will not be involved with the constant turmoil surrounding the financial condition of the Main Temple, which will enable us to concentrate solely on the rebuilding of our Lodge. Third, we will be able to reinstate several programs by going back to twice a month meetings in January, February, March, and November. It is my opinion that Ancient Craft #943 has suffered in the continuous interest and growth it should have felt by the loss of the 2nd meeting of the month.

However, even though we are making this move, it doesn't mean that at some time in the future, when we are in a stronger position, and if the Main Temple has problems straightened out, that our Lodge could look to the feasibility of moving back to the Main Street Temple. This is a thought for the future.

On October 28, the 1984 Masters group performed the 2nd Degree at our Lodge. Never in my 11+ years as a Mason have I seen a Degree performed with more warmth and heart felt feelings. This year's Jr. Warden Group is very organized and gives me great assurance that Masonry

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ATTENTION 1972 MASTERS

Our annual winter party will be held Saturday, December 5, at 7:00 P.M. at the Maplewood Inn, 3500 East Avenue. We will order from the menu. If you are out of town or unable to attend, we would appreciate a letter to the group letting us know how things are with you. We will read them at the dinner.

Please call Fred Prince at 716-266-2366 for your reservation, or write to Fred at 187 Eastgate Drive, Rochester, N.Y. 14617.

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ETOLIAN LODGE

No. 479

2nd and 4th Mondays

Election and By-Laws To Be Topic Dec. 14

The leaves are all raked, the snow shovel is ready for action, and 1987 is rapidly drawing to a close. With Thanksgiving a recent memory and Christmas soon to be celebrated, I can look back on my year as Master with many fond memories and no regrets. The cooperation of my Line Officers and the positive response to my program by the Brethren has been most gratifying. Serving Etolian Lodge has been a privilege that I will always be proud of, and my thanks go out to all of you who have made it possible. Another word of thanks is due my wife, who has been so strongly supportive all through the year and helped to make things happen. Thank you, Alice!

On October 12, 1987, we were privileged to have R.W. Ron Kamp from the Masonic Research Lab in Utica. Brother Ron did a marvelous job of describing the work and accomplishments of the lab in the name of Masonry. We can all be proud of their efforts.

For those of you who missed the Stanley Lodge visitation, shame on you! We had over 40 members present as Yonnonadio helped host Stanley and J.A. Hearn Lodges from Toronto and Mississauga. W. Bill Stewart, Master of Stanley Lodge, was the Exemplar for the Third Degree and was in so "mangled and putrid a condition" that he brought down the house. The Canadians admitted they had never seen a Degree like it before. It was a great day, and we all went away much the richer for the sharing of international fellowship and good will. Lunch and dinner were provided by a committee headed by J.W. Garnet Rollo, and Stewards Russ Ashman and Karl Reich. Good job, Guys!

Our 2nd Degree with S.W. Norm Rollo in the East went well, and we enjoyed listening to W. Bro. John Mattern do the Middle Chamber Lecture. Br. Charles Kohlmetz of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge escorted an Entered Apprentice from his Lodge who was passed with our own three. Past Masters of Etolian will be doing the Second Section of the Third on November 23, 1987. We hope to have W. Br. Wally Lessord back at the organ. My thanks to Br. John Lont for filling in on the Second Degree.

Your Master and Blood Drive Chairman, Russ Ashman, were presented plaques at a luncheon October 29 for the efforts of Etolian Lodge in 1987. Masonic Lodges in Monroe County are playing an increasingly important role as the pool of donors continues to dwindle.

R.W. Gerald Glaser, DDGM, 1st Monroe District, presented 65 and 60 year membership pins to Bro. Gena Warner and W. Chris Morgenberger, respectively, during his Official Visit to Etolian on November 9. Our Congratulations to these Brothers on achieving these milestones.

Our only meeting in December will be on the 14th, and I would urge all members to test the length of your cabetow and be present. In addition to the Election of Officers, we will be voting to change the

By-Laws so that our Regular Communications can begin at 7:30 rather than 8:00 P.M. We are one of only a few Lodges in the Districts that open at 8:00. Please be present to vote your preference.

Don't forget our Christmas Party with Etolian Chapter on December 21. Bring a dish to pass and your eating utensils. The Lodge will provide the meat. We expect to have a magician for entertainment, and I'm sure Santa will be there, too! Bring an inexpensive gift for Santa to give to your children.

As we approach this most busy season of the year, I would urge that we all find a few moments to reflect on the blessings that we share when we meet behind tiled doors. That spirit of love and peace needs to be spread throughout the world and not kept locked within. Do your part as men and Masons to take our light out into your immediate sphere of influence.

On behalf of my wife, Alice, and myself, I would like to extend our best wishes to all our Masonic friends for a Blessed Holiday Season.

Gene Brendel, Master

Trestleboard

Dec. 14 - Elections and By-Laws Vote, 8:00 P.M.
Dec. 19 - Bus Trip - Masonic Home, Utica
Dec. 21 - X-Mas Party - Dish to Pass, 6:15 P.M.
Dec. 29 - Investiture

NOLA CHAPTER

No. 368

Order of the Eastern Star

Dear Members,

Our annual meeting will be December 1, 1987. We will have our annual reports and election of officers.

Our Assoc. Matron, S. Shiela MacDonald, and her family have moved to Binghamton because of a job change. S. Shiela has come back to Chapter and we appreciate her loyalty.

Good news that W. Bernie Riley, W.B. Merle Drake, and S. Abby Learn are home from the hospital and doing well. The bad news is R.W.S. Onnolee Daycock and W. Mary Shakeshaft are out with the shingles. We wish them a speedy recovery.

The turquoise brings our December Birthdays: S. Pat Cork, S. Barb Heeg, S. Abby Learn, S. Kathleen Skelton, S. Ruth Morgan, W. Mary Jane Parry, and W. Jessie Zorn.

Thanks again to all members who donated and worked on the Masonic Dinner and Breakfast.

Christmas and Matron and Patron's Party will be announced at Chapter.

In this season and all seasons we thank the Lord.../for the time to be with those we love, for the pure/laughter of friends, for the glowing memories of/Christmases past and above all, for Love.

May the light of His peace shine in your heart all/through the New Year...Christmas Blessings.

Fraternally,

W. Avis Theis

Please Notice!

The Homecoming of R.W. I. Ann Gagion, which had been postponed due to circumstances beyond our control, will be held December 11, 1987, in Room A, Masonic Temple, 875 Main Street East, Rochester, New York. R.S.V.P. if attending by calling (716) 247-3942.

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"Fellowship is heaven and lack of fellowship is hell; fellowship is life and lack of fellowship is death; and the deeds that ye do upon this earth is for fellowship's sake that ye do them!" William Morris, a man of our times, made this statement of deep meaning to members of his church, and by taking his clue, it must pump up your heart to do your Masonic duty during this year's Brotherhood Campaign.

Richard Addington, another deep thinker of our times, offers this thought to instill attitudes of giving in our hearts!

"A little common sense, goodwill, and a tiny dose of unselfishness could make this goodly earth into an earthly paradise!"

Hopefully, these moving passages can place in your mind thoughts of contributing to your Lodge's campaign.

Let's continue what I promised in last month's column - to discuss where your brotherhood dollars are working at the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory. I will relate to you some of the major medical breakthroughs at the laboratory.

1) Fact: Scientists have developed diagnostic techniques for distinguishing between various types of abnormal heart rhythms.

2) Fact: A method to recycle the hemoglobin of "old blood" that has been discarded is close at hand.

3) Fact: A scientist at the laboratory, together with colleagues in Sweden, have developed a major treatment for cholera.

4) Fact: Major work with Vitamin A and its role in cancer is being explored.

5) Fact: The laboratory is testing compounds that act to remove toxic substances that accumulate in the body with age. These studies have significantly advanced our understanding of dietary requirements of the elderly.

6) Fact: Studies in areas of Hypertension have led to development of new cardiovascular drugs.

If you find it in your heart, please make a contribution to your Lodge's fund in the name of the Research Laboratory. Remember, the Laboratory has a tax exempt status. Gifts are deductible for income tax purposes.

Next month, this column will allow you to take a look at another area of support - "The Masonic Home Camp - Camp Turk" supported by the Masonic Youth Foundation. Remember, youth is the hope of tomorrow and our most precious natural resource. I leave you this month with a thought given to us by Victor Hugo: "It is through fraternity and support of our youth that liberty is saved!" Give to your Lodge's fund - your gift counts.

W. Dave Clarke
Chairman



October 9, 10, 11, and 12 - Some of the members and parents of Fidelity Triangle attended the Bi-Annual Statewide Convention of the Organization of Triangles, which was held at the Stevensonville Country Club in Swan Lake, N.Y., and Past Beloved Queen, Ann Marie DiJames was appointed to the office of Junior Advisor of Monroe District.

October 12, 13, and 14 - Fidelity Triangle had a booth at the Charity Bazaar at Long Ridge Mall, where they sold home made articles to raise money for their regular charity program.

October 15, 16, and 17 - Fidelity Triangle also had a booth at the Charity Bazaar at Greece Town Mall where they sold more home made articles for the same purpose.

October 24 - Regular meeting at 8:00 P.M. in Room A, with election of new officers for the ensuing term and initiation of one new member, whose name is Amy Lynch.

The new officers are: Beloved Queen, Leslie Vaillan Court; Senior Lady in Waiting, Heather Lathers; Junior Lady in Waiting, Cristel Lathers; Marshall, Amy Lynch; Asst. Marshall, Past Queen Gratchen Rist.

Guests included: Senior Advisor, Mr. Richard Miller and Mrs. Miller, and Sovereign Prince, Louis DiJames, and W.M. Donald Ferguson of Fame Lodge.

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again lived up to their motto, "Follow Me", by turning out 14 strong to confer the Fellow Craft Degree at a combined meeting of Ancient Craft and Germania Lodges to two Entered Apprentice Brothers. My Brothers, it was quite a sight to see those Blue Jackets march into the Lodge Room and do an excellent job in the ritual work. The effort shown by the group was incredible, given the fact that 13 different Lodges were represented at the Degree, all coming together on their nights off to lead the way to Masonic Light for the two Brethren receiving it.

The Junior Wardens participating were as follows: Master, Paul Utz, Northfield Lodge; Senior Warden, Wayne Engbrecht, Webster Lodge; Junior Warden, W. Marty Zillman (our "short" advisor), Etolian Lodge; Senior Deacon, Rich Friedman, Ancient Craft Lodge; Junior Deacon, Don Brown, Frank L. Simes Lodge; Senior Master of Ceremonies, Ron Morthorst, Henrietta Lodge; Junior Master of Ceremonies, Dan Emerson, Yonnonadio Lodge; Steward, Gordon Neil, East Rochester Lodge; Steward, Nelson Bertsch, Germania Lodge; Marshall, W. Don Carlile (got it right, Don), Charlotte Corinthian Lodge; Conductor, Garnett Rollo, Etolian Lodge and President of the group; Conductor, Angie DiCataldo, Wakan-Hubbard Lodge; and Chaplain, Rev. Jim Adam, Clio Lodge. Gordie Neil did a great job on the Working Tools, and Paul Utz deserves our thanks for a job well done in the East. Our special thanks go out to W. Gordie Dodge of Flower City Lodge who did a truly superb job on the Charge, and to Brothers Mike Zona and Mike Hermann of Northfield Lodge, who did the questions and answers. Rich Friedman presented the Middle Chamber Lecture.

Part of our group's
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Junior Wardens Confer Second Degree

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Interlodge Fellowship Committee

Euchre Tournament Results

Brethren:

The Annual Inter-Lodge Open Euchre Tournament was held at the downtown Temple on Friday, October 23, 1987, and was a great success with 40 Interlodge Brothers and their guests competing. We would like to thank the Past Masters Supper Club that joined with us. The Euchre "Bell" was the highlight of the evening with \$40.25 contributed to the Brotherhood Fund. Top three winners were: Earl Stephan and George Siman, 1st Place with a 9-1 record; William R. Wood and Ginny Engbrecht, 2nd Place with an 8-2 record; and Larry Geith and Wayne Engbrecht, 3rd Place with a 7-3 record. A great time was had by all who attended.

To the incoming 1988 Masters, please try to appoint a Brother from your Lodge that will attend the Inter-Lodge Fellowship meetings and will return to Lodge to report the Inter-Lodge Activities. We try very hard to have many activities during the year, that all the Brethren and their families can take an active part.

- Activities to remember for 1988 are--
Feb. 20 - Theatre/Dinner Party. This is a tentative date.
March - Amerk Hockey Night
May - Baseball Night at the Red Wings Silver Stadium
June - Canal Boat Trip on the Barge Canal
June - Annual Masonic Golf Tournament

Brethren, please watch the Interlodge Fellowship article each month in the Monroe Masonic News for the dates of these activities.

Fraternally,
W. Jay Riggs

CYRENE COMMANDERY

No. 39
KNIGHTS
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"You are Hereby summoned to attend the Annual Conclave of Cyrene Commandery #39 on January 8th, 1988, for the purpose of reading of Reports of Activities during the year and such other business as may come before the Commandery. This is a Summation Conclave."

Our Em. Commander, David L. Lathers, and his wife wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We will have but one conclave in December, and that will be on Friday the 11th, 1987, in the Masonic Temple, Rochester, NY, at 7:30 P.M. The Schicker Club will also meet at the same time.

The Christmas Cheer program will be held on December 18, 1987, with Monroe Commandery as the Host. The time will be 8:00 P.M. in Cathedral Hall, Masonic Temple, Rochester, NY.

We have one death to report at this time. S.K. Donald S. Ballou died on Wednesday, October 21, 1987. He was a long time member of our Commandery, and we will miss him being with us. No new sickness to report at this time.

The end of the year 1987 is coming, and some of you have not paid your dues as yet. We need you, so please, ASAP. Thanks.

Believe that is all for this time, except this saying: "Call unto me, and I will answer thee." Jeremiah 33:3. Be seeing you.
Em. Comm.
David L. Lathers

IONIC CHAPTER

No. 210
ROYAL ARCH MASONS
4th Tuesday

Companions: "You are hereby summoned to attend the Annual Regular Meeting of Ionic Chapter #210, R.A.M., on December 8th, 1987, for the purpose of Election of Officers, Reports of Committees, and such other business as may regularly come before the Chapter." The meeting will be in the Masonic Temple, Rochester, NY, at 7:30 P.M. and tux if you have same.

The High Priest, Michael Adamus, Jr., and his wife wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Glad to see the new members out to our meetings and hope more can attend.

We have one death to report at this time: P.H.P. Donald S. Ballou left us on October 21, 1987. He was exalted in our Chapter on November 25, 1952. He was a member for 35 years. We will all miss his presence very much. A friend to all of us has been taken from our lives. Comp. Gerald J. Glaser is much better and is now working on his duties as R.W. District Deputy Grand Master, 1st Monroe District. Glad to have you back.

Remember, dues for 1987 are to be received by this meeting date or before December 27, 1987, closing date for Grand Chapter. I would like to hear from all of you very soon. Thanks.

Believe that is all for now except this saying: "But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved." Matthew 24:13. Have fun till next we meet.

H.P. Michael Adamus, Jr.,
P.H.P. Roy E. Huff,
Reporter

*A house is built on money,
a home on love.*

-S.H. Dewhurst

**York Rite-
News & Announcements**

Genesee

**York Rite
College #25**

Larry Hood and Roy E. Huff each received the 1987-1988 Outstanding York Rite Mason Plaque from Richard Eades, Governor of Genesee York Rite College No. 25. The ceremony took place at the Commandery Pilgrimage in Rochester, N.Y., on November 7, 1987. It was quite a surprise, and many thanks to all. Sorry no picture.

Our next Assembly will be held at the Masonic Temple in Pittsford (Northfield Lodge) on December 12, 1987. We will open at 3:00 P.M., with Officers to be in tux.

At this Assembly we will vote on prospective members. Be sure to give names of worthy candidates to our Membership Committee before this meeting, since they are responsible for proper investigation. As you know, membership is limited to Masons who are not only members of a Lodge, Chapter, Council, and Commandery, but who are also active in York Rite.

Dinner will be at the Temple following the Assembly. Time will be 5:30 P.M. It will be chicken with all the trimmings, etc. Price is \$7.00 per person.

You all should have received the regular letter from us by now. Hope to see you all there at the meeting by 3:00 P.M.
Pre-Eminent Gov.,
Richard E. Eades.
Em. Sec. Roy E. Huff,
Reporter.

MONROE COMMANDERY

No. 12
KNIGHTS
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1st and 3rd
Fridays
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Annual Ladies Night and Awards Night was on October 24, 1987, at the Mapledale Party House. Awards were given to:

Cyrene Commandery No. 39 - Commandery of the Year;

S.K. Larry Hood - Commandery No. 39 - Zone Commander;

S.K. Horace Porter - Commandery No. 39 - Outstanding S.K. of Knights Templar;

S.K. Harry Coates - Monroe Commandery No. 12 - Yellow Cord;

S.K. Ron Edwards - Monroe Commandery No. 12 - Red Cord.

The 49th Annual Interfaith Service and Breakfast, Sunday, November 1, was attended by approximately 400 people. Eighteen Honor Guards were from Zone 11 Commandery, fourteen from Knights of Columbus. The 28th Annual Distinguished Community Service Award was presented to Mr. Gabe Dalmath, Channel 10 (WHEC) TV Newsanchor.

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Companions:

At the time I write this, we have not yet held our 125th Anniversary Celebration. However, I am sure that it was a success and enjoyable for all who attended. My only disappointment is that a very small number of our membership were able to attend this celebration. I sincerely hope that more companions will endeavor to attend our Assemblies and other functions during the remainder of the Cryptic Year. There is definitely a need for improvement in our attendance.

Our December Assembly will be on Wednesday the 16th, and we shall endeavor to keep it brief so that we can enjoy a time of fellowship following the meeting. The 16th is Hanukkah, and Christmas follows nine days later. I am asking that each Companion bring a child's toy to the December 16th Assembly so that we can help make the holiday season a little brighter for some children. These toys will be forwarded to a unit of the Marine Corps Reserve that handles a Toys For Tots program. I believe that all of our holidays will be more meaningful if we give to others. I hope you will agree and join with us on the 16th. We will also have special refreshments following the meeting to celebrate the season.

A newsletter will be sent to everyone in late December, but I would again remind you to plan on attending our Cryptic Festival on Saturday, January 9. This is a time to greet our new Companions and make them feel welcome.

From my wife and family, as well as from our Council, I extend the most joyous of Holiday Greetings to each of you and your families, and may the New Year bring all of the best of everything to you.

Fraternally,
Ron Mertens
Illustrious Master

On Saturday, November 7, the Knights Templar Festival took place, and Monroe Commandery No. 12 put on the Order of Malta. I would like to thank S.K. Dave Tabor, Red Jacket No. 81, Palmyra, for doing the Prior's Part on short notice. I would also like to thank S.K. Laszlo Tuczai, Monroe Commandery No. 12, for doing a fine job as the Marshal, and S.K. Bill Jones, Red Jacket No. 81, Palmyra, for doing one of the banners. Thanks to all the other S.K.'s for a job well done. Ten companions were made S.K.'s.

Sickness and Distress
S.K. Ray Beardsley broke his ankle 2 weeks ago.

S.K. Anthony Cringoli's wife, Dolores, has some good days and some bad days.

S.K. Ralph Biggar, P.C., lost his wife, Mildred, in October after a long illness. All the S.K.'s of Monroe Commandery wish to express their sympathy.

Happy Birthday:
Dec. 1 - S.K. David F. Long

HAMILTON CHAPTER

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



Chartered in 1819

In compliance with Section 33 of the Constitution of the Grand Chapter of the State of New York, Royal Arch Masons, you are hereby summoned to attend the Annual Stated Convocation of Hamilton Chapter No. 62, Royal Arch Masons, to be held in Ionic Hall, Masonic Temple, 875 Main Street East, Rochester, New York, on Thursday evening, December 10th, 1987, 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 G. Wright,
High Priest
Attest:
R.Ex. Richard J. Oliver,
Secretary

All members of Hamilton Chapter are summoned to attend the Convocation on December 10, 1987, for the purpose of participating in the Annual Meeting and Election of Officers for 1988.

Dinner at 6:30 P.M. in the 3rd Floor Dining Room. Price of dinner is \$6.00 per plate. Call Ted Diehl at 334-5824 for dinner reservations. The Chapter will also award 25 year certificates to five Companions who will - we hope - be our guests at dinner. They are R.L. Anderson, F.J. Horton, D.H. MacNab, J.D. Morrow, and F.A. Stahl. Three of these Companions live out of New York State, so it is doubtful if we will see them on December 10. However, do attend the Convocation and be a part of the formal minutes recognizing their years of membership in our chapter.

R.G. Wright
High Priest

Trestleboard
Dec. 10 - Annual Meeting and Election of Officers. Awards Night. Reports of Secretary, Treasurer, Trustees, and any Committees who have not made a report to date. Dress Formal for Officers.

- 5 - S.K. Frederick G. Hull
- 6 - S.K. Richard A. Conlin
- 6 - S.K. Harold H. Goodwin
- 8 - S.K. Raymond R. Beardsley
- 12 - S.K. Frank J. Horton
- 14 - S.K. Harry D. Benham, Sr.
- 15 - S.K. Charles Bouras
- 20 - S.K. John A. Thompson
- 24 - S.K. Frederick Stahl
- 27 - S.K. Clarence A. Tegart
- 28 - S.K. Darwin C. Turner
- 31 - S.K. William E. Miner

Em. Comm.
George Bundoc

Trestleboard
Dec. 18 - Fri. - Annual Christmas Toast - All Zone 11 Commanders are invited to attend. Place: Cath. Hall, Downtown Masonic Temple, 8:00 P.M. Monroe Commandery No. 12, Hosts.

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No. 173
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Communication
December 8th.

First I would like to apologize for the condensed version of the newsletter that you received in the last issue of the Monroe Masonic News. I made the mistake of filing early, and like the IRS, I guess you shouldn't do that. It gave the editors time to hew, cut, and carve. Any resemblance to what I submitted and what appeared was accidental. One thing I would like to draw your attention to that was eliminated was the last two First Degrees presented. They were flawless. Our Jr. Deacon, Bill "The Snake" Gilliam, was in the East. Apron presentation by Jr. Deacon Greg Height, charge by W. Walt Johnson, Third Section by "Officer at Large" Tom Rauber. Tom has a wealth of Blue Lodge Ritual at his command. The 2nd Degree for three brothers, Sr. Warden K.C. Campbell in the East, went equally as well. Brother Tom Rauber gave the Middle Chamber Lecture.

Dues for 1988 are now due and payable. A number of Brothers are in arrears for 1987 and some for 1986. These last, in arrears for one year, as dues are paid in advance, are subject to unaffiliation before our

official roster is submitted to Grand Lodge in February of 1988. All in arrears will be contacted to see what your desires are. It is imperative that unaffiliations be kept to a minimum, but the Lodge has to pay the head fee to Grand Lodge for every member on the role. For members not paying dues this is a financial drain the Lodge cannot afford.

Welcome to Joe Rauber, Tom's brother, who was voted as an affiliated member, and to W. Jim Branigan, voted to Monroe #173 membership roles as an Honorary member. Jim received the #1 dues card for 1988. W. Mel "Maxwell House" Doverspike threatened to make the coffee for all of 1988 if he couldn't have the first card, but good music prevailed over bad coffee. #1 card aside, there are plenty of '88 cards for all. You pays your money, and you gets your card.

The Master was presented with a place setting to be used at Eastern Star dinners. It consisted of a 1930 vintage, blue with white dots, enameled, tin plate, tin cup and spoon. The inference being the Master is not to be trusted with anything sharper than a spoon. I may donate it to the Stars' Archives as "The Place Setting" for future Masters of Monroe #173.

On November 29 the Master attended a luncheon hosted by the Red Cross in appreciation for the effort of the Masons in the blood drives of the past year. I accepted a plaque for Monroe #173 symbolic of the work

and phone calls of the wives and brothers who made these drives successful.

This didn't make the Trestleboard. November 28 - about 2:00 p.m. the Mary Jane Holmes Chapter and the Lodge will be joining forces to decorate a Christmas tree which will be placed on display in one of the third floor windows. A timer will turn the lights on and off. In conjunction with the tree, liquid refreshments will be provided by our Jr. Deacon. Being from Kentucky some of this will probably be imported lacking the government's seal of approval. Those not wishing to risk blindness will be offered something less imposing. To cut the taste the girls will offer some sandwiches and cookies. This is a first, Brothers - come on up and have some fun.

On a more somber note we report with great sadness the passing of W. Perry Nebitt on October 29, 1987, at the age of 87 years. Perry was initiated entered apprentice June 13, 1922, passed to the Degree of Fellowcraft July 11, 1922, and was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason July 25, 1922. He served as Worshipful Master in 1938. Perry received his 65-year pin September of this year. His whole Masonic career was within Monroe Lodge #173. We will all miss Perry, and he will be sorely missed by the Brothers who meet weekly for lunch. To Perry and his family we extend our deepest sympathies and heartfelt condolences.

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



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is regaining the strength that it once had. Brother Richard Friedman, Jr. Warden, Ancient Craft #943, dedicated the Middle Chamber Lecture to the memory of Wor. Russell Scardier. Richard, I can proudly say on behalf of Wor. Russ, well done.

R.W. Leon Perkins is progressing after his 2nd knee replacement operation. W. Ernie Curtis is coming along and hopes to be in Lodge soon. W. Bernie Noll feels a little better and hopes to be done with his tests soon. Wor. Robert Lauth is progressing nicely from his gall bladder surgery.

I will give a report on the 3rd Degree in the January Newsletter.

On Wednesday, December 2, 1987, the Annual Past Masters Dinner will be held at the Sea Breeze Inn at 6:30 P.M. You may order from the menu. This will be followed by a meeting with the Fame Temple Trustees at 8:00 P.M. at the Fame Masonic Temple.

On Wednesday, December 9, 1987, we will have our Annual Summoned Meeting for the Election of 1988 Officers and for the transaction of business. Let's have a good turnout. I hope that everyone has a great Hanukkah, Christmas, and New Year. Fraternally, Robert S. Lauth Master

Junior Wardens Confer Second Degree

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commitment is to encourage and assist our members and their Lodges whenever they need the help or support. We take our Masonry quite seriously. By the way, we have a lot of fun together doing it.

I hope this unobtrusive message reaches those Junior Wardens who are not active in the group to please become so. We will welcome you with open arms. We are working to make 1989 a special year in Masonry.

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Our Marshall, Bro.
Horace Freeman, is facing the
necessity of further heart
surgery. Our sympathy and
best wishes go out to him in
this crisis.

The staff of your News
and Views, R.W. Robert
Pettit, W. Frank Denton, and
I wish you all a very Merry
Christmas and a Happy and
Prosperous New Year.
R.W. A. John Tijou

Due to early deadline
this issue, the Master's
Letter will appear next
month.

Trestleboard
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Dec. 13 - Children's
Christmas Party at the
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Dec. 14 - Annual General
Meeting, Election of
Officers, 7:30 P.M.

Dec. 25 - Merry Christmas
to All and A Happy New
Year!

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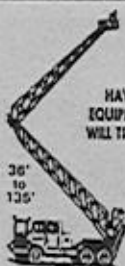
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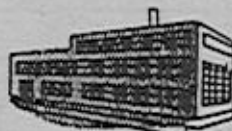
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