

Hands of Friendship Join at Annual Fellowship Dinner Held At Buffalo, New York

Two Grand Masters Again Break Bread

By: R.W. Maurice Solomon and R.W. Jay McCullough

Buffalo, N.Y.-November 29, 1990 The 2nd Annual Fellowship Dinner, sponsored by Perseverance Lodge No. 948, F. & A. M. of the Grand Lodge of New York, and Paramount Lodge No. 73, F. & A. M. (Prince Hall Affiliated), was attended by a capacity crowd at Hearstone Manor in Depew. The inaugural event was featured as a front page story in the Monroe Masonic News in the January, 1990 issue. First Dinner in 1989

At the first Dinner, held in 1989, M.W. Roswell T. Swits, Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York, and M.W. Solomon Wallace, Grand Master of Prince Hall Affiliated Masons, Grand Lodge of New York and Jurisdiction, met and extended the Hand of Friendship and Brotherhood to each other. That greeting was repeated this year between M.W. Richard P. Thomas and M.W. Solomon Wallace. The latter is in his 8th year as Prince Hall Grand Master.

We Hope This Continues

Arrangements are already underway to continue this event in 1991, truly establishing it as an annual affair for Masons in New York State.

The featured speaker this year was Nelson E. Townsend, Director of Athletics, SUNY at Buffalo, a post he has held for the past four years. Mr. Townsend is a member of several civic, social and faculty organizations, and a "cheerleader" for the community of Buffalo and Erie County. He made this very evident in his remarks to the gathering this evening.

Hope For Closer Ties

Both Grand Masters made brief remarks to the crowd of over 250. They continued to show support for study of closer ties between the two Grand bodies. In casual conversation following the planned program, Grand Master Wallace commented to one of your reporters that he hoped to see MUTUAL VISITATION being authorized by both Grand Jurisdictions before he retires from office.

R.W. Kenneth E. Graber, who instituted the concept of interracial brotherhood between the jurisdictions in Buffalo, again was Master of Ceremonies.

Attended Interfaith Services

W. Delmar Morris, reigning Master of Eureka Lodge No. 36 (PHA) in Rochester, along with Lodge Marshal and Brother Ted Simpson, were together with the Rochester contingent consisting of R.W. Ronald D. Mertens and his wife Barbara, R.W. Jay McCullough and R.W. Maurice Solomon. W. Brother Morris along with Eureka Lodge Wardens, attended the Interfaith Service and Breakfast at the Rochester Masonic Temple October 30.

We've Met on Other Occasions

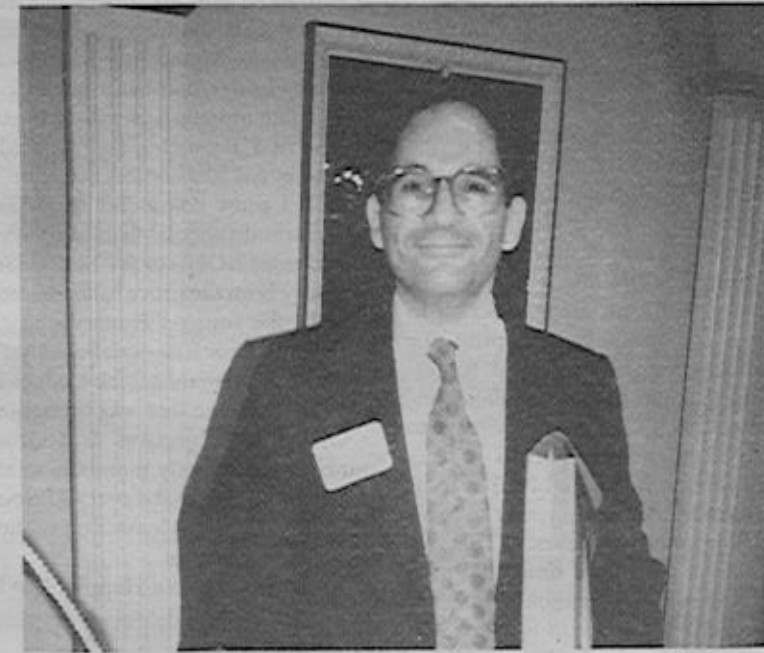
Other mutual gatherings have taken place in the Rochester com-

Hand of Friendship Repeated



Standing left: M.W. Solomon Wallace, Grand Master of Prince Hall Grand Lodge and Jurisdiction, State of New York, joins in friendship with M.W. Richard P. Thomas, Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York, standing right.

Instituted This Program



R.W. Kenneth E. Graber, Master of Ceremonies

munity also, such as brethren of the Monroe Districts and their spouses being among guests at Eureka Lodge's recent annual Thanksgiving eve Ball at Logan's Party House. Many had also attended in previous years, starting in the early 1970's, as guests of local Prince Hall Masons. Reciprocal participation has occurred in events such as the March 1990 Grand Ball held at the Burgundy Basin Inn.

Other States Do It

It may have been through just such joint invitations and participation in social affairs, that mutual visitation recognition has been achieved between Prince Hall Grand Lodges and Grand Lodges of the States of Connecticut, Nebraska, Wisconsin and Washington. The Craft is practicing true Brotherhood

these days in many ways, rather than simply preaching it.

Plaques Presented

Barry Lillis, Buffalo TV Channel 2 Weatherman, was presented a plaque by the Fellowship Dinner Committee for his services to the community through his promotion of agencies combatting illicit drugs. The guest speaker received a similar plaque.

To refresh the memory of the reader, Prince Hall Grand Lodge of New York State and Jurisdiction, covers not only the State, but also includes locations in South America as well as several of the islands in the Caribbean. There are about 12,000 Masons in the 110 Lodges of the 9 Districts that compose the Prince Hall Grand Lodge which was chartered in 1845.

NOTES

Masonic Service Bureau

Thank You ALL

In 1989, after spending \$40,000 more than we received and having committed to \$12,000 for the new third floor offices of the Service Bureau and Monroe Masonic News, I asked all the Directors of the Service Bureau to work toward a balanced budget in 1990. The Service Bureau adopted a budget with the expectation of spending \$10,181 more than we could see coming in from income. The Masonic News, as best we could estimate, would spend \$12,925 more than they would take in, even with an increase of one dollar to three dollars per subscription.

Two things happened at the December 12, 1990 meeting. The Treasurer reported that for the first eleven months the Service Bureau had spent \$1,312 more than income, but unfortunately the Masonic News had spent \$18,952 more than income.

The great news was that the finance committee presented a budget for 1991 in which the Service Bureau expected to be able to pay for its operations and one-half of its share of the office construction. With an increase of another dollar in subscriptions, which none of us wanted to do, and the increase in advertising, but most important, reduction and control of production costs, the Masonic News will only spend \$4,200 more than the expected income.

One of the ways we have been able to make so much progress is the gifts by many Brothers, Ladies, Lodges and Concordant Bodies.

I do want to thank all those who directed activities sponsored by the Service Bureau - the officers' directory, the Utica trip, Veterans' programs, the Widows' luncheon, the Grand Ball, the retiring Grand Lodge officers dinner, the apron presentation dinner, and the Interfaith Awards Breakfast. I asked that all activities pay their own way, and with the diligent efforts of all the chairmen, it only cost the Service Bureau \$1,869 for all activities in 1990.

We cut our expected losses by almost fifty percent in 1990, and we will have a balanced budget for the Service Bureau and the Masonic News in 1992.

My great regret is that we have had to cut our Scholarships and Charities in 1990 to \$9,000 for each. Our Charities and Scholarships are the reason for being. I am, therefore, asking you to remember the Service Bureau Scholarships and Charities in your estate planning. The Service Bureau has, for the first time in history, elected three trustees to supervise our endowments. If you or your estate planner would like to talk with a Trustee, please call James B. Scobell, Frederick A. Stahl or Robert P. Zabel.

To all those who served in leadership, worked on committees of the Board of Directors, I am especially thankful.

All the above would not have

A
Happy
New Year

East Rochester's Ancient Craft Lodge Awards Savings Bond To East Rochester Students

East Rochester's Ancient Craft Lodge in collaboration with the D.A.R.E. program presented savings bonds to 4 students from the East Rochester Middle School, grades 5 through 8. Under the direction of Bro. Don Moore, a poster contest was organized with the theme being "How to say no to drugs". Bro. Moore worked with school officials, the mayor's office and members of E.R.'s D.A.R.E. program to create interest among the students and to target those most likely to begin experimenting with drugs and alcohol. The poster contest was launched in early October and prizes were awarded around Thanksgiving.

Continued involvement in the East Rochester community has been an ongoing theme of E.R.A.C. Lodge, and this successful campaign is just one more example of the Lodge's commitment of improving the quality of life in the towns where we live and work. By stopping our youth from becoming involved with drugs and alcohol abuse we feel we are insuring the future well-being of our whole community.

been possible were it not for our Executive Director, Dr. Robert C. Pettit and Brother Paul Rogers, the Editor of the Monroe Masonic News. I know they would say they could not have done it were it not for the dependable and devoted work of Mrs. Vernon Goodrich. Barb, your warmth and caring make us all glad that you are a part of the staff. Thank you.

Fraternally,
Paul R. Gleason, Jr.
President

R.:W.: Stephen R. Whittaker

Let's
Eat the Elephant
One Bite
At A Time!

**District Deputy Grand Master
For the First Monroe District**

Welcome to the new year with its new CHALLENGES! Let's work together to create an aura of respect for thought about our fraternity, inspiring our officers and members to meet some of our challenges with some CREATIVE THINKING.

It's time to focus serious thought and action on the SUMMARY provided by the MASONIC RENEWAL TASK FORCE:

"Left to its own devices, with the prospect of little change, the Craft could be one half its present size in 2000 and one half less again in 2010. The financial consequences of this loss alone are difficult to imagine. Each Lodge should establish a goal to attract at least ONE NEW MEMBER PER MONTH in order to insure a modest growth that will provide for the three basic needs of a successful Lodge: leaders, workers, and finances."

The Monroe Districts have developed a MEMBERSHIP/MASONIC INFORMATION TEAM that is available for YOUR use. Worshipful Brothers Bruce Chilton and Arthur Mason (First Monroe) and William Lindsay (Second Monroe) stand ready and willing to assist. The Masonic Service Association just issued SHORT TALK BULLETIN No. 68: "Brother Bring A Friend Night-A Program Worth Trying", authored by our own W. Richard Friedman, AGL, 1 Monroe. All the necessary steps are listed therein for a successful program.

Let's begin a renewed effort to use the Q & A Pamphlet, the "Brotherhood & Service" Slide Show, the "Brother Bring A Friend Night" programs, and the special TEAM that is available for assisting in each Lodge.

One of our Brothers who is successful in obtaining new members suggests this: "It's a good idea to put a Q & A and a Lodge petition into a self-addressed stamped envelope before meeting with a prospect. It works like a charm". That's being creative! A goal of FIVE PERCENT PLUS ONE for each Lodge indicates what needs to be achieved:

Valley Simes	16
Wakan-Hubbard	22
Monroe	6
Fairport	12
Etolian	15
Webster	14
Clio	11
Seneca	16
Flower City	11
East Rochester/Ancient Craft	11

Many Lodges are doing very well working toward their membership goals; others need to focus new efforts on meeting the CHALLENGE. The recent "MASONIC THIRD DEGREE FEST" held on 1 December is another example of creatively working together to meet the challenge. With renewed feelings of enthusiasm and cooperation, we trust that more of these will happen in the future.

If as few as 500 of our members in Monroe County (about 10% of our total membership) WERE TO SUBMIT THE NAME OF ONE PROSPECT TO HIS LODGE, WE WOULD SURELY RETURN TO POSITIVE GROWTH. That's eating the elephant...one bite at a time.

Will each of you accept the MEMBERSHIP CHALLENGE and join our CALL TO ACTION. Let's create an awareness of who among our friends is not yet a member of the Craft. Promise yourself to approach that man with a Q & A and a Petition. Together, we can meet the challenge.

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Sword Bearer
Of the Grand Lodge
Of New York**



R.:W.: George Simon

The Challenge

How seriously are we taking our obligations? Are we establishing our lives upon the cardinal virtues? Are we promoting the fundamental principles of Freemasonry? How enthusiastically are we serving as Masons in our homes, our communities, our country? Brethren, are the ancient landmarks worth the struggle so far as we are concerned? Each of us is now challenged to make his decision.

Responding To The Challenge

Once we have made the decision, we will find that we have a tremendous contribution to make to Freemasonry. What do we have to offer? Masonry, we are told, strives to make good men into better men. We may, therefore, venture to hope that every Mason tries to practice the virtues and to display sound moral judgment, not only within the Lodge but outside it as well. In addition the G.A.O.T.U. grants to us all other great gifts. First, He gives us a span of time to live our lives. During his lifetime a man makes many decisions. He may decide to live for himself, grasping for worldly possessions, and forgetting that "no man is an island, entire of itself". Or he may resolve to have a genuine concern for his neighbors, being involved in their welfare and relieving their sorrows as opportunity arises. This requires a sharing of time. No man can keep every moment of life for himself. If we are to get the most out of life, we must share our time, at least to some extent, with others.

Now if we become involved with others in this way, we are using our talents. In most situations time alone is not enough; there has to be something else working with it. Not all of us are equally endowed with talents, not all are capable of doing all things equally well. We differ in abilities. Our gift may be simply listening to the troubled soul, or to the outpourings of a bereaved and broken heart. Or it may be providing guidance for one who knows not where to turn. Or it may be using the skills of our daily vocation to help a fellow worker. Or we may be called upon to provide leadership to the young, or to the elderly.

Besides time and abilities each of us has worldly possessions in varying amounts. Often we think of these in terms of money, because that is the medium of ex-

R.:W.: Paul W. Spillane

Past Masters!
Evaluate your Term
Pass on the Results
to the
Present Master

**District Deputy Grand Master
For the Second Monroe District**

My wife Nancy and I hope that everyone had a safe and joyful holiday. We start a new Lodge-Masonic Year. Now that 1990 Masters have turned over the reigns, I would like to suggest that they sit down and evaluate their term and ask themselves if they met their goals and objectives and decide what they would have done differently. As a Past Master you should convey this information to the new Masters in order to assist them with their objectives this does not allow you to sit back and do nothing. Your Lodge still requires your help and you should be able to help the new Master wherever he sees fit.

During my visits I have observed the following Lodge problems-Membership, financial difficulties, difficulty in maintaining our Lodge buildings, cannot get new blood to fill the chairs. As stated by M:W: Robert Singer, Past Grand Master of New York State, the State has too many Lodges. When travel was difficult in the 1800-1900's, we were required to have many Lodges in order to give each Brother an opportunity to belong to our wonderful Fraternal organization. In 1990 times have changed and traveling 20-30 miles does not create the same travel problems as a century ago. Some Lodges should consider consolidating or merging, especially the ones who are experiencing the problems outlined above. An increase in dues to \$50-\$60/year only puts a bandage on the problem. Some of the concerns that have been voiced when discussing a merger/consolidation are- "What will the Lodge be called?" "What Lodge number will we go by?" "We never did things that way before and so on." The first step in a merger/consolidation situation is for the Master to appoint a steering committee that will do a planning session on where the Lodge is now and where it will be three, five and ten years from now.

But before any Lodge considers a consolidation or merge they should at least hold one, two or even three "Bring-a-Friend" nights to try to increase their membership and also have gone through a planning session of their financial situation of the Lodge. I am willing to sit down with any Lodge that has a question regarding such a situation and give them some direction on where to start.

The first Third Degree Fest held in Monroe County on December 1, was an event that should not have been missed by the Brethren of our Craft. I must commend the Masters & Wardens for planning this program and a special thanks goes to W: Richard Friedman and W: Terry Whilen, our AGL's of the First & Second Monroe. I personally feel that Masonry is on the move in the Monroes especially seeing the ritual work done by the younger Brethren.

The Scottish Rite Symbolic Award Presentation was well attended. I would like to thank all the Lodges in the Second Monroe for submitting a Brother's name that was recognized.

One of my objectives as a Grand Lodge officer was to encourage our concordant body members to attend their Blue Lodges. We have a start I would like to see every Mason make a resolution for 1991 to attend their Blue Lodge at least 50% of the meetings and to offer their services to the 1991 Masters.

I wish everyone a Happy New York and a successful '91 Masonic Year.
Fraternally,

change in our economic system. To relieve the needs of others we can use our money or our other material possessions. Not to use them when a chance presents itself is an abuse. If we employ our abilities, possessions, and time to help others, we need not proclaim what we have done. In the Lodge or outside it we will without pretension do that which is good, not for ourselves, but for the cause of good.

Being a Mason means much, much more than simply belonging to another organization that is respected in the community. Freemasonry is much, much more than just another association where you hear fine-sounding lectures and forget them. Each of you has undertaken to answer and obey all lawful signs and summonses; you should attend your Lodge whenever you can, pleading there to no

excuse save sickness or the pressing emergencies of your public or private avocations. Each of you has the responsibility of sharing our time, not only in the Lodge but beyond it. Each of you is responsible for the use of our abilities and possessions for the benefit of the Lodge, the Craft, and the world at large, so far as may fairly be done without injury to ourselves or your family. If the fundamental principles of Masonry are observed, our abilities, time and possessions will be expended for the benefit of all mankind, and your Masonry will be meaningful. Herein lies the challenge of Freemasonry in the midst of a changing society. Accept the challenge and let your Masonic principles live!

My wife, Lula and I wish you and your families a happy and safe holiday season.
Fraternally,

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The Custodians Corner



R.W. Maurice Solomon

Update on Ritual Books

The Ritual Book Sets are now in the hands of Grand Lodge Sales, and may very well be in your possession also. The formidable task of distributing the binders to the hundreds of Lodges in New York State, plus individual orders, is already well under way; how they are handling the distribution I cannot say, probably first come, first served. In any event, with a little patience on the part of those who placed orders, there will be no further need to call me.

When you receive the books, it will be seen that the proposed Book 6, relating to Memorial Service, Installation and Investiture Services has been replaced (for the time being, at any rate) with an updated book on Masonic Etiquette.

It was determined by the Custodians, after consultation with the Grand Master and Grand Lecturer, that there was no mandate to revise the contents of the proposed Book 6, which will now require further meetings and deliberations by the Custodians; present plans call for discussions to resume at the beginning of 1991, with hopes of making a suitable presentation to Grand Lodge in May. More later.

QUESTION:

I understand that there has been a change in the presentation of the Historical Lecture in the Third Degree. Will you please clarify this?

ANSWER:

Up till now, the ritual calls for the presentation of the Historical Lecture at the conclusion of the Section Section (now referred to as the Drama of the Hiram Legend). The Custodians, again in consultation with the Grand Lecturer, felt it would be appropriate for the Candidate(s) to be made familiar with the lessons of the Second Section, in order to anticipate the experience. This is a practice which exists in a number of other jurisdictions, and is considered standard procedure.

The procedure is now as follows, bearing in mind that the Master of the Lodge can determine, at his option, at which point in the Ritual the Historical Lecture is to be given (full instructions are to be found in Book 4, page 4-64).

i) The Lecture can be given in its entirety in its present position immediately after the conclusion of the Section Section.

ii) In its entirety at a subsequent communication of the Lodge.

iii) In TWO parts at the present communication; the first portion (in BOLD letters on pages 5-19 to the top of Page 23) in the preparation room just prior to the beginning of the second section; the remaining portion (Page 23 to the end) at the conclusion of the Second Section.

In this manner, the candidate(s)

Grand Steward Of the Grand Lodge Of New York



R.W. Charles C. Spiegel, Jr.

Greetings Brethren:

I trust everyone had a Happy Hanukkah and a Merry Christmas. May the New Year bring you increased opportunity to serve our glorious Craft and our fellow man.

As we prepare ourselves for the business of the coming year, we must take into consideration the Pillars of our Craft, namely Wisdom, Strength, and Beauty, which are represented by the three principal Officers of the Lodge;

The Pillar of Wisdom by the Worshipful Master in the East.

Let us explore some of the duties of the Worshipful Master and what is expected of him during his year in the East.

1. To attend regularly the communications of his Lodge. (Nothing can weaken and demoralize the Lodge so much as the Master's frequent absence.)

2. To convene his Lodge, set it to work, and give it proper instruction for its labor.

3. To open his Lodge at the time specified in the By-laws, and close it at a suitable hour.

(The Master is the sole judge of the time to close the Lodge, but communications should not be unduly prolonged.)

4. To preserve order in the Lodge.

(The Master must make proper use of the Gavel to maintain order in his Lodge at all times.)

5. To regulate the admission of visitors.

(It is the duty of the Master to maintain peace and harmony within his Lodge at all times and he must be careful not to admit

might be better prepared to enjoy the experience of the Hiram Legend, and make it possibly more meaningful. The Master of the Lodge should decide for himself which is the best way to go.

QUESTION:

I was present at a Lodge the other evening, and the Master of the Lodge balloted on the petition of two prospective candidates AND a Brother for affiliation. I understood this could not be done.

ANSWER:

Grand Lodge has made it clear in years gone by that it was inappropriate for a collective ballot on both a Brother seeking affiliation (who is of course a Mason) and a profane (who is not a Mason). Such balloting should be kept distinctly separate, and it was therefore improper for the ballot to be taken in the manner which you describe.

anyone who would disrupt the affairs of the Lodge.)

6. To preserve peace and harmony in the Lodge, and by his deportment both in his Lodge and out of it, to set an example to his Brethren.

7. To be the custodian of the Charter of the Lodge, and transmit it to his successor.

8. To render the ritualistic work of the Lodge and instruct the Brethren therein.

9. To exercise supervision over the minutes, that nothing improper be recorded, and nothing essential to a complete record be omitted.

10. To sign all drafts upon the Treasurer for the payment of Lodge disbursements when authorized by vote of the Lodge. Nor may the Treasurer lawfully pay out funds without such order.

11. To visit the sick.

12. To cause an investigation to be made into all unmasonic conduct on the part of members of his Lodge, of non-affiliates and members of other Lodges resident within his jurisdiction. Needless to say, the work of the Worshipful Master is no easy task.

The Pillar of Strength by the Senior Warden in the West

Now let us look at the duties of the Senior Warden.

1. To purge the Lodge and see that all are entitled to be present.

2. To assist the Worshipful Master and promote harmony within the Lodge.

3. To preside over the Lodge in the absence of the Worshipful Master.

4. To represent his Lodge at Grand Lodge should the Worshipful Master be unable to attend.

5. To continue his study of the ritual so that he can instruct others and improve the Lodge's appreciation of ritual done correctly.

6. To become familiar with the Lodge membership and make them comfortable while in the Lodge.

7. To become a student of The Book of Constitutions so if he is called upon to preside over the Lodge he can do so with authority.

Brother Senior Warden, look well to the West.

The Pillar of Beauty by the Junior Warden in the South.

The duty of the Junior Warden is to call the Craft from labor to refreshment.

1. To supervise the members during the hours of refreshment and see that they return to their labors in due season.

2. In case of the absence of the Master, the Senior and Junior Warden shall, in succession, succeed to his prerogatives and duties for all purposes, except such as pertain to the installation of officers.

3. To add to his wisdom by being fully informed concerning the Ritual and the Grand Lodge Constitutions.

The enduring quality of Beauty is emphasized by the fact that the Master and Wardens of a Lodge cannot resign. Thus it is important that our Brother in the South should consider wisely before accepting this Station, and, having been installed, should show strength of purpose in the proper performance of his duties.

(Meacham, Henry C. Our Stations And Places. 1967)

The point I am trying to make is that the business of Leadership in our Lodges is vital to everyone in our Craft and is something to try to excel in. A well governed Lodge is one that has good programs, good fellowship, and lots of members on the sidelines.

Let me close with this item I found in the pamphlet "Tied To

Bureau of Masonic Education Monroe County

President:
 W. Wayne Engbrecht

Vice-President:
 R.W. F. Jay McCullough

New Beginning

Hello! By now all Lodges in Monroe County have new officers elect; some will have newly installed officers. Same old thing for this time of year, yes. How about making this year different by getting all your officers and Lodge members out to the Schools of Ritual and Education Committee classes. It should not be too hard a decision and not too hard to implement. Make education an expectation, you might be surprised at the results.

With a new year we all have high hopes and expectations. I do hope all of yours surpass your wildest dreams. Maybe the Monroe District Total Educational Program can assist your new Masters with this one expectation.

To the 1991 Masters: Good luck in all your endeavors and may they all be successful.

Secretary-Treasurer:
 W. Donald Carlike
 Mark Your Calendars

For
 Tuesday, January 29, 1991
 7:30 P.M.

The Bureau of Masonic Education Is Presenting

Entry Level Orientation Course For All Newly Raised Brothers in

1990 And For Any Brother Who Wants To

Expand His Knowledge of Masonry

Tuesday, January 29, 1991
 7:30 P.M.

Doric Hall, Downtown Masonic Temple

The program is a set of brief mini-lectures:

Interpretation of the Ritual of the 3rd Degree

Symbols and Allegories of the 3rd Degree

The Duties, Rights and Privileges of a Master Mason

Lodge Organization and the Ballot

Explanation of Concordant and Allied Bodies

Functions of the Masonic Service Bureau

Functions of the Masonic Education Bureau

Masonic Libraries Reference and Lending

Refreshments

Masonic Apron Strings" by Stewart M.L. Pollard,

"What Is Freemasonry?"

In the home it's kindness

In society, it's courtesy

In work, it's fairness

Toward the unfortunate, it's pity

Toward the wicked, it's resistance

Toward the weak, it's help

Toward the strong, it's trust

Toward the penitent, it's forgiveness

Toward the fortunate, it's congratulations

Toward God, it is reverence and love--

This Is Masonry

Let us not forget all those serving our country in Operation Desert Shield, and let us all pray for a peaceful solution.

Fraternally,

New history of George Washington The Mason

George Washington in New York

By Allan Boudreau and

Alexander Bleimann
 A new Publication of the American Lodge of Research

The latest, best and most comprehensive Masonic history of Brother George Washington. This carefully researched study includes all of the facts about George Washington as a Freemason.

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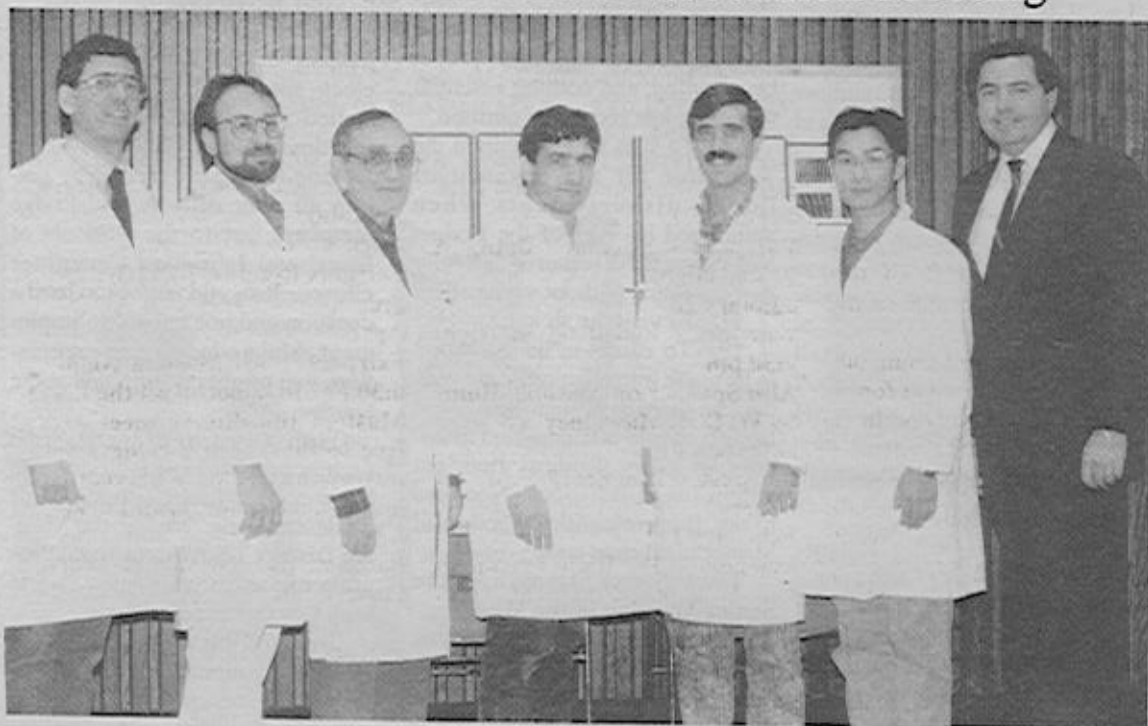


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Heart Program Findings Reported at National American Heart Association Meeting



From left to right---Dr. Gary A. Gintant, Assistant Director of Research; Drs. Anton Lukas, Arthur Iodice, Serge Sicouri, Jose DeDiego, and Dawei Liu; Dr. Charles Antzelevitch, Executive Director and Director of Research.

Dr. Antzelevitch, Executive Director and Director of Research of the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory, and several of his colleagues attended the 63rd scientific sessions of the American Heart Association on November 12-15 1990 in Dallas, Texas.

The Experimental Cardiology Group presented a record number of papers at this year's meeting. The five papers dealt with research examining the function of the heart under normal and abnormal conditions. These topics ranged from the induction of abnormal heart rhythms by drugs that mimic the effect of a heart attack, to an assessment of the antiarrhythmic effectiveness of a drug called Amiodarone recently introduced in the country for the treatment of abnormal heart rhythms.

A highlight of their presentations was a paper by Drs. Sicouri and Antzelevitch titled "Drug Induced Early and Delayed After Depolarizations and Triggered Activity in Deep Subepicardium Cells of the Canine Ventricle." This paper dealt with the unusual response of specialized cells within the pumping chambers of the heart to a variety of drugs. These specialized cells, termed M cells, were recently discovered by these investigators at the Laboratory. This novel finding has generated a great deal of excitement in the field of Cardiology in that it explains a number of phenomena whose mechanisms were previously unknown or uncertain.

The American Heart Association meetings are held annually and bring together over 29,000 doctors, scientists, nurses and scientific personnel from around the world. Symposia, such as these, provide a vital forum in which to discuss all aspects of cardiac function and disease. The meetings also provide one of the most effective means for the exchange of ideas and discussion of current research projects which are at the leading edge of cardiovascular research.

Shrine



Lunch Club

January 1991

January 7

Manitou Trolley Line - 1890-1990
Slide Presentation by George Caswell, feature writer, Rochester Business Magazine.

January 14

Is Salvation Army Still Around?
Talk by Major George Paytor, Executive Director Rochester Salvation Army.

January 21

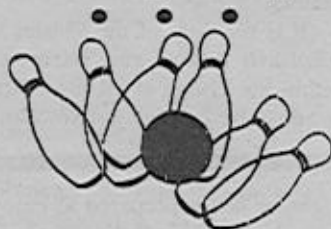
Touring Alaska By Train and Boat
Slide Presentation by Nobel Leo H. Pancoast, Jr.

January 28

A Visit To The Holy Land
Talk and Slide Presentation by Rev. Charles M. Roberts, Grand Chaplain Grand Lodge of New York & Grand Prelate Knights Templars of New York.

Nobel Frederick S. Holderle -
January Program Chairman

Masonic Gothic Bowling League



Gerald Glaser, Secretary
381-3340 or 442-5825

Masonic Sports Briefs

Masonic Gothic Bowling League

We would like to get some individual bowlers for now and at least 2 teams for next season. Call Jerry Glaser at 381-3340 days or 442-5825 evenings for details.

At this writing, the Lawrence team is holding on to first place. They have some good competition, so we expect a close race down to the wire.

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Brethren:

As the New Year begins with the promise of a new and fresh start, so does the Lodge start the year with a new slate of officers. As your new Master I hope I can continue to build upon what has been started and start some new things to better our Lodge in the ensuing year.

First of all I would like to thank my Installing Officers.

Installing Officer - W. Robert Sanford

Installing Marshall & Investing Officer - W. Lawrence Millerd

It is only fitting that Brother Larry Invest me for he was the one that started me down this road by Raising me.

Second I would like to congratulate our newest Past Master Gary Mastrella on a job well done. I know that it is with a sad heart and reluctance that he leaves his seat in the East, but I am sure that he will continue his fine works in the interest of the Lodge and assist me in the coming year.

you'd think we were bowling for real money.

How about some help.

Fraternally,
Jerry Glaser
Secretary

Due to the rising cost of heating the Lodge, we were forced to cut back on the number of meetings in Jan., Feb., and Mar. We will have a meeting on the second Tues. of the month only. Fellowcraft will meet at 2-M's Restaurant on Jan. 15 at 6:30 P.M. for dinner, to be followed by a short meeting and election of officers.

The Jan. 8 meeting will be something new. If you haven't been to Lodge for a while, but would like to come, but can't quite remember all that is needed from you during opening and closing, this is your meeting. Before Lodge is officially opened, we will have a refresher course on the opening. Then the program for the evening will be on Lodge Protocol for our new Brother and all others who need a refresher course. This program will be put on by W. Brother Bill Staples. All who have seen Brother Bill do programs can tell you that he does excellent and enjoyable work.

Finally I would like to thank all my friends and Lodge Brothers for showing up and supporting me at my installation.

I would like to congratulate the Brothers who are celebrating their Birthday's in January.

Happy Birthday
Donald Puscell
William Cole
Leslie Moore
Erik Woodhead

Fraternally,
Paul B. Josephson
Master Elect
Trestleboard

January 8
Meeting (Bring Inactive Bro. Night)

January 15
Fellowcraft Dinner Meeting at 2 M's restaurant
Election of Officers

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Brethren:

January rolls in with a big hello from the East. The word is "Bro. John Lindsay elected as Master". The Fairport Lodge on Jan. 14 will install W. John Lindsay, Master; Bro. Bruce Turner, Senior Warden; W. Tom Goodrich, Junior Warden; W. George Bracht, Secretary; R.W. Bob Cameron, Treasurer; Bro. Dennis Dreeseon, Sr. Deacon; Bro. Eric Dreeseon, Jr. Deacon; Bro. Robert L. Slominski Sr. Master of Cer; Bro. Brian G. Alexander, Jr. Mast of Cer; Bro. Dan T. Howard; Steward; Bro. William Cobb, Steward; Bro. Howard Herman, Marshall; Bro. Carl T. Dattel, Tiler; Christopher J. Insalaco Asst. Tiler; W. Br. David H. Mawhiney, Chaplain.

The total out look for 1991 comes soon via the mail and lists all the favorite things to help out with. Please remember your input or advise will always be welcome.

My thanks to the Installing Officers, W. Richard W. Scott Installing Master and W. Edward T. Goodrich Installing Marshall, also my appreciation and thanks to the many Brethren from other Lodges whom attended.

One of the biggest events in your Lodge is about to happen. The "Bring a Friend Night" is coming on Jan. 21st 1991 at 6:30 PM Dinner and this will impact you and your future.

The Theme this year for our Lodge is -

"Give to the Fairport Building Fund"

This Lodge has some fine goals in mind and all we want is a chance to get there. Meantime some of our Brothers cannot see where the money is going to come from. This Building Fund can be a way to start, but wait, the use would be only directed by you or used in the general fund to support projects if so directed.

Now you can lend your support to the campaign knowing that your living will or death benefit can be used as directed.

Your Master has requested donations by creating a wish list for the Lodge. 1.) A new clock, the old one lacks in tone for Degree work. 2.) New Gloves, for when we have a funeral of a fallen Brother many are worn or do not fit. 3) Aprons used by our Brothers and Guests at the Lodge can be replaced. 4) Moving up to a touch tone Phone would be great. 5) Then we could add the Answering Machine so that out of town Brothers can call to listen to what is going on and also leave a message if they wanted too. 6) A color TV, 7) and VCR could bring people together for events. 8) An American Flag & Flag pole could be installed. Is there a way Masonic Signs can be purchased and mounted at the entrance way to Fairport? This list can be expanded by any of my Brothers by calling me at Home 388-0854 or leaving a message with Sandy, where I work 232-1494, Vanderlinde Electric Corporation.

Your own Master's Trestle

Board; any Brothers who wishes to travel with me are welcome; Jan. 12 Visits O.E.S. Fairport, this is a very special night W. Dee Seclay will be installed as Worthy Matron. We are sure to have all the Past Masters out to this event; Jan. 21 Fairport Special "Bring a Friend Night 6:30 Dinner; Jan. 24 Wayne Cty. Masters Mtg; Jan. 26 Monroe Cty. Masters & Wardens, where you will find your Master as the President of this meaningful Association, please look for the story on The Monroe Cty Masters & Wardens Association and what's going on else where in this newspaper; Jan. 28 Fairport Lodge Meeting "Rededication Night", also information given on the Masonic Home in Utica by W. Br. David H. Mawhiney.

Feb. 01 thru Feb. 13 Have a Heart. Buy a Heart Campaign of which your Master is Chairman of the Greater Monroe Cty. effort please contact our Brother Peter J. Swanson at 223-4768 or at the Lodge.

Feb. 11 - W. Rich Friedman will talk on "President Jackson", Also this will be his A.G.L. visitation. Feb. 04th and 18th are practice nights for the 1st Degree. That, my people, makes Feb. 25th for the First Degree!

February 16th will be Ladies Night with Webster Lodge at 6:00 PM so get your Tickets from W. Bro. Thomas Goodrich at Lodge or call 383-1429.

There are eleven Committee Chairman which will be selected to head up things like Community Service; Communication; Drug/Alcohol/Abuse; Youth; Membership/Masonic Information; Masonic Education; Widows; Dewitt Clinton Award; Camera Man; you can jump up and assist me or wait until I catch you.

The Committee on Leadership Services goes to your Master; The Committee on Fellowship goes to the Jr. Warden as well as the Brotherhood Fund; The Committee on Veteran's go to R.W. Chic Becker; the Committee for the Masonic Home goes to W. Bro. David H. Mawhiney; Blood Drive goes to Brother Bob Vandebush at 425-7037, this gives a much needed rest to Brother Kel Kelsey with which a Big Thank You goes out to him for always being in that line up.

Grand Lodge news from Grand Master's Message 1990 at Utica: The M.W. Richard P. Thomas's, his theme this year is "Leading with Impact" I now quote from his message that day: "Internal Communications, mainly the Lodge notice, are critical to our Renewal Program, and in maintaining active Lodges. You must make every Brother feel that he is genuinely welcome in his Lodge, and when he comes, help him 'Work his way in' by assisting him to remember what he needs to know at the Lodges opening. I have no doubt that many Brothers would come to Lodge if they could remember what to do, but they are afraid of being embarrassed." So you can see how Fairport Lodge can help, please contact your Master for assistance. The next big job is the Brotherhood Fund, some people do not know that this drive runs from May 90 to May 91 which means that your donations should be to your wishes and in the year you want them.

Final Tally Sheet is in on the May 90 Questionnaire sent out to our Fairport Brothers, the Chairman was W. Tom Goodrich, W. Al Fowler, Br. John Lindsay, Br. Al Miller, Br. Bob Slominski, Br. Bruce Turner.

The programs you now enjoy or would like to see in Lodge:

38% wanted more Degrees, 32% Historic Masons, 25% Installations, 23% Information on affiliated organizations (York Rite, Scottish, Shrine, etc.) All the rest was under 19%, such as Move up, OES night, and the like. Outside activities were 35% Village Days, 24% Ladies night, 22% for Golf and 21% for 4th of July and picnics, under 16% were the balance of InterLodge Fellowship, Bowling, Camping, etc. Under, would like to see more, were 27% Couple oriented programs and 17% Family oriented. This project was based on 28% returns of total membership and 39% of the Brothers within a distance of attending our meetings.

Responses received from our Brothers came in filled out forms and more came like the one from W. Bro. James Comstock where he points out that a change in direction is needed. "The most challenging of which is Degree Work by the guide and acceptance of nothing but the best possible. This represents a well governed and adequate Officer Line which gives nothing but the best in business of the Lodge and outside as well. More activities with O.E.S. may bring together an increase in attendance to both groups."

From Harry H. Davis out of Union City, GA he writes to us in response to Br. Al Miller's survey, giving in detail six different things to help the Lodge. The best was "GET OUT ON THE STREET." which met sponsored events and public awareness.

The greater Monroe Cty Masons has endorsed the Community Crime Prevention Programs "Victim Assistance Program" I would like someone to step up and tell me they would help get this started in our Lodge.

The things I need from you Brothers, are the following, a list of your churches as I might be able to contact them and go there to put on a slide presentation about our Masonic Organization.

Do we know that all the widows get the Monroe Masonic News? Do we want to have a Sister Lodge in Canada? Visit a local Lodge in Wayne Cty, or Monroe Cty; Have an open house for Operative Masons; Spruce up the outside of the Lodge; List a need of our own Brothers like fixing up their house or painting when the need arises; help the widows or widowers if a repair is necessary; Open the Lodge at 6:00 PM for Degree work, or have a Saturday Meeting; Start a Friendship Cup; add minutes from the trustees to this column; things like these are just a few, so call or write me.

The following members are having their Birthday in January: Warren L. Bills; R.W. Robert E. Cameron; Paul R. Fisher; Thomas M. Green; Alfred K. Miller; W. Horace C. Porter; Ronald L. Weber; so please be sure that you have sent the Postcard to the Secretary so that I can honor you on your birthday, and the Secretary will have the information Grand Lodge has asked for.

Thursday, December 6th, Brother Alfred K. Miller received the Symbolic Lodge Service Award from The Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite in the Valley of Rochester. The purpose of this award is to honor outstanding Master Masons in the Lodges within the area of Monroe County.

Last, your Master has given this a lot of thought so please look at the calendar of events and see these things taking shape for your

sake, give your money and your time to this Lodge and watch what happens to you as a person and member of a great organization.

"Catching The Last Train"?

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Fraternally,
W. John Lindsay
Master Elect

Trestleboard
January 14

Fairport - Installation 7:30 P.M.
January 21

Fairport - Special "Bring A Friend Night"
January 28

Fairport - Rededication Night
7:30 pm

Also Speaker on Masonic Home
by W. D.H. Mawhiney

February 4

Fairport - Practice 7 P.M. 1st
Degree

February 11

Fairport - W. Rich Friedman
will Talk on "President Jackson"
7:30 PM

February 16

Ladies Night Fairport &
Webster

February 18

Fairport - Practice 1st Degree 7
PM

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The End

What a strange way to start a article. No not really, think of ideas and projects you have started and then finished. Then said with a sigh of both relief and regret, "the end".

That's the way I feel writing this last article. Why didn't things go better and what could I have done differently to get better participation. Could I have said, "don't get involved with anything else." No, not in this day and age of so many choices, so many demands of OUR spare time, because someone would be offended and we would never see them anymore. It is obvious even to me that at one time this fraternity was important to all that joined, for what ever reason. But each of us that joined share in a pledge to a higher power to assist in all ways our Brothers and answer and obey all due summons. And then the big word IF, and so many just hang their heads and hearts on that IF to keep them on the couch or out in the garage for those two nights a month. Never mind the pledge and the covenant made.

Enough of this recall stuff, someone may recognize themselves and take offense. Brothers All, Churchville is alive and progressing, we raised new Brothers, and affiliated others, some Brothers even made a couple of meetings this year, so in all it was a good year. I want to thank all the Committees that served the Lodge this year and also all the Brothers that, sometimes on short notice helped so greatly. The pledge and the

February 25

Fairport - 1st Degree 7:30 PM

March 4

Fairport - Practice 7 PM 2nd Degree

March 11

Fairport - Speaker from Service Bureau and "Who Done It" Fun Night

March 18

Fairport - Practice 7 PM 2nd Degree

March 23

Grand Ball Tux Burgundy Basin Inn

March 25

Fairport 2nd Degree - Masters Birthday

April 1

Fairport Practice 7 PM 3rd Degree

April 8

Fairport "Past Masters Night" 6:30 PM in honor of all the Past Masters the dinner meeting - free to them also a camera for pictures an outline of his year by him. Speaker on Camp Turk.

April 13

Fairport Garage Sale & Work Party

April 15

Fairport Practice 7 PM 3rd Degree

April 22

Fairport 3rd Degree Dinner Meeting - "Shrine Degree Team"

Lodge obviously mean something to them.

Last month (November) was a delicious one for the Lodge, as NOLA Chapter put on two dinners and one breakfast for us. I thank all that attended each event including W: Gary Burke, the speaker at the Communion Breakfast, it's subject and a presentation that will stay in our minds and hearts for some time to come. A welcome to our newly raised Brother, congratulations on a most earnest endeavor.

When this message gets to you our summoned meeting and election of officers will have taken place and a new group will be in charge. And the business of the Lodge will continue, with your help I pray. The new officers will present an interesting program for YOUR edification, please support them with YOUR presence whenever possible.

It has been my honor and pleasure to sit as Master of Churchville during the year 1990.

May you and yours have most HAPPY & MERRY CHRISTMAS and prosperous NEW YEAR.

God has Blessed, and it's my pray He will continue to Bless each and everyone of us now and for ever more.

Fraternally,
William E. Baxter
Master

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January 23
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Brethren:

Greetings!! Hope this first letter of 1991 finds everyone in good health and recovering from the holidays.

The most important news for January is our meeting night! It will be held on 3rd Tuesday, January 15, 1991 with the installation of our new officers. Lets get out and support them! The rest of our meetings will be held on the first Tuesday of every month! All meetings start promptly at 7:30 p.m. preceded by a pot luck dinner which starts at 6:30 p.m. Bring a dish to pass and your own table service, coffee and tea will be provided. The ladies are invited, who, during the meeting play cards, games and chit chat. Come on out and join the fun or the meeting!

Brothers as of December 4, 1990 at the reading of our annual reports, the secretary reported that we had 97 members. As of December 31, 1990, five more are up for unaffiliation for non-payment of dues, we need your support and some petitions for new members or your Lodge is going to experience some membership and officer difficulties. Lets get some candidates and make our old and new officers work and put on some Degrees!!

Happy Birthday to all the January birthday gals and guys!
Fraternally,
Nelson F. Bertch
Trestleboard
January 15
Installation of Officers
February 5
Business Meeting

Craftsman**Lodge No. 969**Vernon L. Goodrich, Master
377-0367
Robert F. Ogden, Secretary
385-1422**1st & 3rd Tuesdays**

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Masonic Temple
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Again, many thanks go to Barbara & Vern Goodrich for hosting our annual Officer's dinner and meeting at their home as usual on Dec. 11th. A filet mignon dinner was served to 20 members with all the trimmings.

Craftsman Lodge is fortunate to go through 1990 without any unaffiliations. Brethren, save yourselves \$.25 by including your Brotherhood Fund contribution with your dues check. Speaking of the B/H/Fund, hardly a day goes by

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7:30 P.M.**67 Main Street
Brockport, N.Y. 14420**

Dear Brethren:

It is with great joy and anticipation that I write this letter to you. It has been earmarked as the "Master's Letter." Well, this Master is very grateful for this opportunity to be able to serve you and the Lodge in 1991.

First off, I wish to thank everyone in Lodge for their support over the past six months. Because of the untimely calling of our Worshipful Brother Zack Lee, I had a rather larger pair of shoes to fill. It was not an easy task and could not have been accomplished without your dedication. It has taught me another valuable lesson in the Brotherhood of Man under the Fatherhood of God. Thanks for pulling things together for me.

We have what I consider an outstanding line of officers this year. Many of us are getting our feet wet for the first time. But, we managed to get some of the "good ole boys" back in line as well. We hope to make it interesting and exciting for all. There will be some new programs which we hope will entice you to come to Lodge.

First off, the business portion of the meeting will be kept as short as possible. Hopefully, this will provide us the time we need for true Brotherhood and some socializing. However, Lodge attendance has been extremely sparse. The Lodge cannot stand alone, it needs the support of all its members. Please, check your cabetow. I am sure you can find a little slack left in it for a meeting. We would like to see more of you.

Thank you for your time.

Fraternally,
W. Thomas F. Rauber

November 16th, 1990 was the date of the Official Visit by our District Deputy Grand Master R:W: Stephen Whittaker and Grand Steward R:W: Charles Spiegel. Both carried compelling messages from "The Thomas Team" on behalf of M:W: Richard Thomas, Grand Master of Masons, in the State of New York. We were reminded of the importance of both membership and leader-

without at least one check in the mail. Keep up the good work!

Our annual Communication and Election of Officers will be held on Dec. 18th at 7:30 P.M. at the Main Temple. A dinner was planned and canceled due to a lack of help in the kitchen.

The Dec. 1st gathering at the Main Temple with six Lodges put on a Third Degree with 18 Brothers receiving it from various Lodges, including one Brother from Craftsman.

Many Happy returns to the Brethren with birthdays in December:

Donald Brooks
Paul Case
Jack Grover
Dick Hart
John Merrick
John Smith
Perry Sweet

ship in maintaining a growing and prospering fraternity.

R:W: Whittaker also took advantage of his visit to present Brotherhood Chairman Mel Mosher with a certificate for "Devotion of Duty" on behalf of the Masonic Charities for the Grand Lodge and signed by M:W: Swits.

Other items covered by our District Grand Officers included encouragement to participate in the campaign against Drug and Alcohol Abuse through the promotion of a Poster Contest, to increase our DeMolay support by making our presence known at area activities, and to disseminate information regarding Masonically sponsored essay contests for high school students.

Brothers are reminded to support the January 18th Blood Drive through both participation and calling of prospective donors. If you did not pick up a "call" packet at the December Communication, give Blood Drive Chairman W: Brother Mel Doverspike a call to see what you can do to help.

Our December 11th Communication was the Annual Meeting. The election of officers for 1991 was held at that time. Elected officers are as follows: Master, Tom Rauber; Sr. Warden, James McNeese; Jr. Warden, Howard Bale; Secretary, James Branigan; Treasurer, Roy Gould; Trustees, Cal Tripp and Mel Doverspike.

Brothers were reminded to make their contributions to the Brotherhood Fund. Brother Mosher reports our contributions for the year to be substantially below last year's level. This is one area where every Brother can make a very real difference. Let's everyone do our part.

All Monroe #173 members were invited to join the Towpath Shrine Club for a Christmas Celebration at Noble Vern Johnson's home on Dec. 16th. Vern noted that the intent of this get together was to inaugurate an annual event.

A lengthy discussion was held concerning the adoption of proposed revisions in the Lodge bylaws. All proposed revisions were accepted with friendly amendments from the floor with the exception of proposed Article #11: Memorial Fund. This article has been tabled for further discussion and review. All bylaws from the predecessor document which pertain to the regular and proper functioning of the Lodge where memorial funds and the management thereof are impacted will remain in effect pending the results of the aforementioned review.

George Wyatt
John Skalny

Here's wishing all the Happiest of Holidays.

Fraternally,
R. Ogden
Sec'y**TRESTLEBOARD**

January 14
Annual Fellowcraft dinner mtg.-
Maplewood Inn
January 15
Regular Communication

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Plans were discussed for the February 22nd, 1991, George Washington's Birthday Square Dance. The dance will be held in Shannon Hall at the Brockport Baptist Church. Brother "Richer" Castner will be the caller and we plan to have live music. The ticket price of \$8.50 per person includes light refreshments. The times are 8 PM to 11 PM.

Fraternally,
Neil Laundry
Communication Chairman

Trestleboard

January 8
Installation of Officers at the
First Regular Communication of
1991
January 18
Blood Drive at the Brockport
United Methodist Church.
Time: 12:00 PM to 8:00 PM
January 23
Regular Communication for
January
January 26
Masters and Wardens

In Memory of:**W. Zack A. Lee, Master****Monroe Lodge No. 173**

By R. W.: Robert E. Rudman

All good Masters prepare their trestleboard well in advance of their Installation. The Brother who had been elected to govern the affairs of Monroe Lodge No. 173 was prepared. As he became Worshipful Master on January 9, 1990, it was obvious that he wanted to emphasize two major projects.

The 21st annual Youth Bicycle Rodeo would be the best ever. The 140th anniversary of the Lodge would be celebrated in full form. Both of these events were to be held in June.

It has become custom in Monroe Lodge for the Master to send a special message to the Brethren before the Lodge stops having regular communications for the summer. The 1990 Master followed custom and wrote his letter, making enough copies for a full mailing. On the night before the bicycle rodeo, Brothers had gathered to help set up for the next day's event. The anniversary dinner was still a few weeks away. While working on the rodeo that evening, our Worshipful Master was called by the Supreme Architect. The 14th was celebrated as scheduled. The bicycle rodeo was postponed until Fall. His presence was apparent at both.

The letter never was mailed. His message, however, should not be restricted to the Brethren of one Lodge since it speaks to every Freemason. It is therefore reprinted here in his memory.

TO: Brethren of Monroe Lodge Lodge 173

From Worshipful Master Zack A. Lee:

In the rush and bustle of day to day affairs, all too many members of Monroe Lodge fail to find the time to continue their study of the great truths of Freemasonry. Many Brethren, once they have received the Degree of Master Mason, are content to rest on their laurels and, pleading the pressure of outside interests, let their minds decay, gradually losing sight of the high purposes of our Fraternity. Not only does this attitude weaken the structure of the Craft as a whole but it causes the individual Brother to miss the greatest joy of Freemasonry, that of further study and knowledge of its sublime teaching.

Further exploration of the teachings of Freemasonry is not difficult for the initiate, for there are many ways of obtaining more Light. If time permits, serving in the chairs affords a splendid opportunity for more intensive study of the ritualistic Work. Regular attendance at meetings, particularly those featuring Degree Work, is highly valuable and instructive, as is participating in the Work of the Degrees.

In addition to oral methods of study there is a great wealth of printed material available to the student of Freemasonry. Masonic scholars and historians have, through the years, prepared many instructive and informative volumes on the history and meaning of the Craft. Many of these are still in print and may be purchased or obtained from libraries.

The material for study is at hand; it only waits for us to make use of it. All that is needed is a little time and effort. The dividends the effort will pay are far greater than the exertion required, for if we once delve into the study of the meanings and origins of Freemasonry we will need no compulsion to continue our study.

WIM Zack A. Lee

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R. W. Robert H. Hebner
District Deputy Grand Master
Genesee - Wyoming District



The New Broom

In many organizations the newly elected officers are referred to as "The New Broom". The reason for this is because they usually sweep up after the old regime has retired.

Hopefully, this is not the case in the Masonic order. Our goals are to carry on the work of the previous Master. Especially when his work has excelled. For this reason, I address this month's article to the new officers of each Lodge, as well as all of the members.

First to the officers.....you have an especially difficult task ahead of you. Last year Masonry really picked up the pace. New members joined. New programs were instituted. New ideas were tried and began to work. An exciting new era started to take shape. You are the ones who must increase the momentum. You are the ones who must maintain that enthusiasm. You are now the ruling body of the Craft and as such must set the examples. Sounds like a lot of responsibility, doesn't it? Well, it is, this is exactly why you are in your new offices, because you can handle it. Let me rephrase that. You must handle it. Our Grand Master is counting on every one of you. Do you know what is going to happen as a result? Masonry is going to flourish. We will become stronger. Wiser and better than ever. And you my Brother will feel that great sense of pride because you had a part in the results.

Now to the Brethren.....your task is even more difficult. For you are the ones who will be counted on to help. You are the ones whose shoulders will be against the wheel. (A reminder, management manages, workers work and shirkers soon vanish from sight.) You see, my Brothers, leaders cannot lead if they do not have the cooperation of the team. You are that team. Each of you carries the responsibility of your Lodge, your Grand Lodge and Masonry as an organization. Whenever one of you falters everyone suffers. What I am trying to say is every one of you, right from the Grand Master down to the entered apprentice, are important and integral parts of a giant machine. That machine is only as reliable as its weakest part. Please!!! Don't you be that weakest part.

What I am really trying to say is.....we need all of you. Each of you are as important. No one person is more needed than another. So it is up to you....do we continue to move ahead or do we fall in our tracks? Only that person you see in the mirror can answer. So....Go, Now, ask him and see what he says!

May the New Year bring happiness, success and a renewed spirit to each and every one of you. See you in Lodge
 Fraternally,

Constellation Lodge No. 404

 1st and 3rd Thursdays
 =====
 Masonic Temple, Main St.
 Perry, New York

Brethren:
 My year as Master has come to an end so quickly. I can hardly believe it!
 At this time I would like to thank my officers and everyone else who have helped me through this busy year. You Brothers are the Masonic Fraternity and I am

very proud to have served as Master of such a fine Fraternity, Constellation Lodge #404. I personally encourage any Brother who hasn't gone through the chairs to do so! It is a most enjoyable and rewarding experience. I hope you will all continue your fine support of our next Master - Eric Bryant.

January 3, 1991 will be installation of our new officers for 1991. We will be doing our own Installation, COME AND PARTICIPATE.

Thank you all.
 Fraternally,
 W. John F. Cook
 Master
 P.S. This will be our last paper from the Masonic News. We will again do our own Trestleboard.

HESPERUS Lodge

 8
 3
 7
 12 South Lake Ave.
 Bergen, N.Y. 14416
 1st and 3rd Thursday

Seven Brothers from Hesperus Lodge attended the awarding of a certificate for Dedicated Service Achievement to W. Kenneth Barons at the Rochester Masonic Temple. His escort was R.W. Robert Hebner, D.D.G.M. of the Genesee Wyoming District. W. Kenneth Barons was one of 37 nominated and awarded certificates. This event, the only one in New York State, was sponsored by the Valley of Rochester, Ancient accepted Scottish Rite.

Election of officers for the coming year was conducted by R.W. Robert MacVean on December 20, 1990. A memorial service was conducted by R.W. Robert Hebner, D.D.G.M. of the Genesee Wyoming District. A very delicious lunch of oyster stew, served by J.W. Donald Hargrave, followed the meeting.

Hesperus Temple Association also met and elected officers. The fire escape will be replaced in the near future.

Don't forget that important project, "The Brotherhood Fund"

Grand Director of Ceremonies
Of the Grand Lodge Of New York



R. W. Robert G. Seils

Hope all of you had a good and enjoyable holiday. The New Year is very near and I believe that it is going to be another good and busy year for all of us. I know that it will be for me. This is when I will be doing all of my visits to the Lodges in the Genesee-Wyoming District. I will be publishing all my visits in the next issue of the Mason News.

- (We will miss you. Ed.)
- Trestleboard
 - January 3
 - Installation New Officers
 - January 17
 - Stated Communication
 - February 7
 - Official Visit
 - A.G.L. Douglas Kelly
 - Oakland, Warsaw & Constellation Lodges at Perry
 - 2nd Degree
 - February 21
 - Euchre Tournament

- Fraternally,
- J.W. Donald Hargrave
- Chairman
- Trestleboard
- January 3
- Installation of Officers by the Genesee Wyoming Purple Apron Club. Supper at 6:30 p.m. by O.E.S.
- January 17
- Regular Communication
- Guest Speaker
- To Be Announced - Ladies Night - Beef on Wick
- February 7
- 1st Degree
- February 21
- Regular Communication
- Stink night lunch

Warsaw Lodge

No. 549
 F. & A.M.
 1st & 3rd Tuesdays

 Masonic Temple
 75 South Main St
 Warsaw, N.Y. 14569

Dear Brethren
 I want to thank everyone for their support and encouragement this past year. The many activities and support by the Brethren helped the year go by too quickly. I would like to take this time to wish next year's Master and officers continued success and all the best in the coming year.

On November 17th we had a meeting of the Masters and Wardens Association of the Genesee-Wyoming District. This meeting was to get the association off the ground again. At the meeting we had 12 people to represent 7 of the 12 Lodges in our District. This was a good turn out for the first get together and I hope that when we meet again in February that we will have a few more attend.

Some of the things that were discussed at the meeting are when and where to meet, how many times a year and getting together with our spouses. Also a Christmas party was suggested and maybe meeting at different Lodges and having a dinner together. Another thing was being able to get to know some of the officers from the other Lodges in the area. This will help us when we go to New York City for Grand Lodge. We will all know each other and be able to have a better time. It will be a great time especially when you go to a strange place and you already know most of the people there.

The meeting had a lot of good ideas come out. We will discuss some more things at the next meeting which will be held at Warsaw on February 2nd 1991 at 9:00 a.m. Refreshments will be at 8:30 a.m., so that we will be able to start at 9:00 sharp.

On November 21st my wife and I attended the 65th Annual Thanksgiving Ball held at Logans Party House. This function was put on by the Prince Hall Masons. It was a night that I will surely remember. The food was great and the people were delightful. After the dinner they had a band so that you could dance and enjoy this wonderful evening.
 Again I hope that your holidays were safe and enjoyable and that the New Year will be prosperous.
 Fraternally,

- March 7
- 2nd Degree
- March 21
- Regular Communication
- Irish Stew
- April 4
- 3rd Degree
- April 18
- Regular Communication
- Rusty Brother Night
- 50 yr. presentation
- 65 yr. presentation
- 75 yr. presentation
- May 2
- Open Meeting
- May 16
- Regular Communication
- Ladies Night
- Tureen Supper

A new amendment has been voted on and passed concerning Blue Lodge dues. AS the per capita cost to Grand Lodge increases so will Lodge dues increase accordingly. This new amendment will prevent the future need for vote on dues and will make it automatic. So don't be surprised if your dues gradually increase in the future. Also on the same note, if you have received your dues notice, please pay it promptly and if possible add a little extra. This will help pay Lodge bills.

The Temple Association held another Fish Fry Nov. 30th to help raise money. It seemed to be another successful one. Thanks to all who helped or donated pies.

The breakfasts that are held monthly are still going strong. If you are interested in helping, contact John Herrman or John Wisemen. Keep up the good work guys.

On February 2nd a Master and Wardens meeting is to be held at Warsaw Lodge from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. These meetings are proving very fruitful and should be attended.

On February 16th a Master and Officers Ball is being planned. This will incorporate the George Washington Dinner Dance.

On December 4th, Wyoming County District Attorney Michael Griffith spoke on DWI laws and some new programs that are being tried to reform DWI offenders. Once again I would like to thank everyone for their help and support during the past year.

Fraternally,
 W: Paul Royce, Jr.

The Secretary wishes to thank all those Brothers who paid their dues so promptly and advise them that the dues cards have not arrived.

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Towpath Lodge No. 163

Daniel Emerson, Master
334-7730
Lawrence F. Geith, Secretary
328-5580



1st & 3rd Tuesdays

Northfield Temple
17 Church Street
Pittsford, N.Y. 14334

Dear Brethren,

I join you in welcoming the New Year with high hope and resolve to make it a splendid one for Towpath Lodge. Let me commence by publicly thanking W: Dan Emerson for his leadership of our Lodge during 1990. He epitomizes for all of us the qualities of gentleness, good spirits, sensitivity, and thoughtfulness—qualities which make him a first rate man and Mason. No job was too large or small for him to step forward and give assistance. May we all continue to gain from his beneficent influence.

On a sad note, Brother Paul Abbey lost his wife Esther unexpectedly, and as she was a good friend at our Lodge activities, all of us will miss her. Our sincerest condolence to Brother Paul and his family.

Many Brothers from Towpath participated in the 3rd Degree Fest held in December at which our Brothers Richard Abbey and David Hockenberry were raised. R:W: Ron Mertens ably filled the East. The 3rd Degree Fest was living proof that Masonry is surviving very well in the Monroes. 20 Brothers were raised that day. Special thanks to W: Brother Terry Wihlen and W: Rich Friedman for all their efforts in putting the day together.

December 6 was a special night for Brother Claude Hyatt who received the Scottish Rite service award. Brother Claude is a fine gentleman who makes it his business to be at all Lodge events, and is always ready to step forward and help out. Congratulations, Claude, on this well-deserved recognition.

It was good to hear that our several recently ill Brothers are all on the mend. Ted Theodor is at home recuperating; Bob Uderitz said he went deer hunting (C'mon, Bob!); Jerry Herradine is recovering from surgery; Harry DeWitt is getting better; Sam Theodor is home from his surgery; Bill Ackroyd is back in Lodge; and Secretary Larry is back at full steam. Good to see all of you mended, or nearly so.

December 11 was our annual

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Past Master's dinner at Monroe CC. This evening has been a fulfilled, sometimes serious, annual event, ably chaired by W: Brother Norman Mundt.

At our summoned meeting in December annual elections were held for 1991. Officers elected and appointed were:

Master
William Lindsay
Senior Warden
Andrew Paterson
Junior Warden
Raymond Kneppar
Senior Deacon
Craig Covert
Junior Deacon
Paul Abbey
Marshal
Thomas Furia
Sr. Master of Ceremonies
Carl Mason III
Jr. Master of Ceremonies
Carl Mason
Steward
David Hockenberry
Steward
Richard Abbey
Tiler
Claude Hyatt
Chaplain
Daniel Emerson
Secretary
Lawrence Geith
Asst. Secretary
Terry Wihlen
Treasurer
Ronald Mertens
Organist
William Zufall
Trustees
Frank Kelsey '91
Robert McHenry '91
Edward Hoak '92
Daniel Emerson '93

William Zufall '93

To all who have accepted responsibilities for the success of our Lodge my sincerest thanks. Working together we will have a great year.

In closing, let me urge all Brothers to attend our Installation on January 15. Dinner is at 6:30 and reservations can be made by contacting Brother Ray Kneppar (385-4447). Anybody needing a ride should let Brother Ray know when they call in their dinner reservation.

Lastly, we like to hear from all our Brothers. If you can't come to a meeting, drop us a line and let us know how you are doing; sharing your correspondence in Lodge is a highlight of every meeting.
Fraternally,
Bill Lindsay
Master Elect
621-3573

TRESTLEBOARD

January 1
New Years (no meeting)
January 8
Fellowcraft Club
7:30 Pittsford
January 15
Installation
Open 6:00
Dinner 6:30
January 22
Officers Meeting
7:30 Pittsford
February 5
Regular meeting
Dinner 6:30
February 2-12
Have A Heart
(Eastview, Marketplace,
Greecetown)

What we always wanted to Know About

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The Lodge was founded in 1884 by a group of nine Brethren. They were all scholars and amongst them were some of the greatest names in Masonic research at that time. Their objectives were to imbue brethren everywhere with a love of research; to encourage the study of all facets of Freemasonry; to read papers in the lodge and to encourage criticism and discussion on them; to attract the attention and to enlist the cooperation of Masonic scholars in all parts of the world.

Several local members:

There are several members of the Correspondence Circle of this Lodge in the western New York area, including R.:W.: Maurice Solomon R.:W.: Ronald D. Mertens, R.:W.: F. Jay McCullough, W.: Richard C. Friedman and Brother Sion (Ted) Honea.

Comprehensive Library:

Quatuor Coronati Lodge established a comprehensive Masonic library that has been amalgamated with that of the United Grand Lodge of England. The Lodge retains overall control. The Lodge publishes facsimiles and reprints rare and valuable books, manuscripts and papers for the benefit of all members.

Why the name?:

The name derives from a desire to maintain a close connection with the craft of the operative stonemason. "Quatuor coronati" stands for the "Four Crowned Ones" who were four stonemasons martyred on 8 November A.D. 302 and who were the patron saints of stonemasons throughout Europe from circa A.D. 400 to 1600. Membership is by invitation and only to those who have done important work in the field of Masonic study or are distinguished in art, literature or the sciences.

Published annually:

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Are you interested?:

Contact any of those named in this area if you have further interest in this particular avenue of Masonic research.



Lalla Rookh GROTTO

By Gordon Dodge

Sorry I missed the column last month. Too busy writing articles for "The Grotto News".

Sad to report that Frank Higgins, our long-time stage-hand when ceremonies and meetings were held, passed away in early December. Our condolences to all of his family and friends in Frank L. Simes Lodge.

Prophet Percy Klingenberg, President of the Cast, has set up the annual Cast Dinner at Cartwrights Inn on Jan. 21, 1991 at 6 P.M. (Cards will be sent to all Cast members).

The Legion-of Honor will install their Officers on Jan 25, 1991 at the 40 & 8 Club. (Cards will be sent to all Legion of Honor members).

The Caldron installed their new Mighty Chosen One, Patricia Slack, with help from the Grotto Patrol, Legion of Honor and the Caldron Patrol.

New Officers for the Grotto were elected on December 19, 1990 (after this article has been submitted) so I will give the complete listing next month. Our annual Holiday Dinner was also held that evening with a FREE turkey dinner and refreshments for the large crowd of Prophets (I know its large because I have all the reservations) who attended the elections.

The "Talking Board" project has had great success in the last few months. We have distributed:

- o Six to the AMVETS who bought them to place in the local VA hospitals.

- o Three to St. Mary's Hospital Re-hab Center (donated by the Grotto).

- o Two to the Regional Council on Aging, through the Worshipful Master of East Rochester/Ancient Craft Lodge (donated by the Grotto).

- o One to a teacher of retarded/handicapped children (donated by the Grotto).

- o More have been ordered. If you know of a need, call the Grotto Office at 271-6987.

Your Officers will start traveling again as Grotto Installations and functions start in the new year. Will keep you posted as they represent Lalla Rookh Grotto and YOU.

Fraternally,

Charlotte-Corinthian Lodge No. 1088

Charles W. Simpson, Master
426-1501
C. William Flemming, Secretary
723-0083

1st & 3rd Tuesdays

7:30 P.M.

4550 Lake Avenue
Rochester, New York-14612

From The West

First of all, I hope every Brother had a very Merry Christmas and that the New Year will bring much happiness and prosperity along with the fulfillment of all our wishes.

Please take note that because New Year's Day is on the first Tuesday in January, our meetings will be held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays in January only.

On November 20, 1990, five new Brothers were raised. Worshipful Master Charles Simpson commended the officers and the Fellowcraft Team for their fine job with the new Ritual.

December 4th was the date of the official visit of our DDGM, R.:W.: Paul Spillane and Grand Sword Bearer R.:W.: George Simon. After a fine dinner, these Grand Lodge officers presented the Grand Master's inspirational message. They also assisted the Worshipful Master in presenting 50, 55 and 60 year framed Service Certificates to several of our Brethren. They also assisted in presenting the DeWitt Clinton Award for Community Service to Mr. William Davis (more on this in the next issue when the pictures are available for printing).

Installation of officers will be on January 8th, 1991. This will be preceded by a dinner at 6:30 p.m., prepared by the Charlotte Chapter of the O.E.S. Please make your reservations with Brother Mike Staub at 342-1947 or Brother Frank

Jansson at 227-6132. Lodge will open at 6:00 p.m.

During 1991, on any degree night, Lodge will open at 6:00 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. The degree work will commence at 7:30 p.m. so that the candidates will not be left waiting for the business of the Lodge to be concluded. Any business will be conducted following the degree work and be held to a minimum so that we will have more time to enjoy some fellowship and get to know our new Brothers. Candidates will be our guests for dinner at all three degrees.

We will also have at least one "Brother Bring a Friend Night" this year so start thinking about someone you would like to invite to attend and learn about our Craft. We need more new members and this is a proven way to accomplish this.

Happy birthday to all our Brothers celebrating a birthday in January. I was going to include their names in this column, but there are 104 of us this month including me.

I am looking forward to being Master of Charlotte-Corinthian Lodge and we can have a fine year with your help and attendance.

Let's have FUN in '91!

On behalf of the Lodge, congratulations to W.: Donald Freeman on his appointment as District Grand Lecturer for the Order of the Eastern Star in Monroe County.

Fraternally,
Keith Stambach

TRESTLEBOARD

January 8
Installation of Officers by Past Masters (Dinner)

January 22
Program with Speaker

February 5
1st Degree by Sr. Wdn. (Dinner)

February 19
Planning Meeting for Bring a Friend Night

When people tell you how young you look, they're also telling you how old you are.

Cary Grant

John A. Robertson Lodge No. 1032

Richard G. Gundry, Master
377-1102
L. Edward Walker, Secretary
647-2382

1st & 3rd Mondays
7:45 P.M.

Masonic Temple
875 Main Street East
Rochester, N.Y. 14605-2789

Its a brand new, exciting and promising year for John A. Robertson Lodge, and as your new incoming Master for 1991, I eagerly look forward to the meetings and activities of the year. Our members are loyal and dedicated, and my line up of officers for 1991 promise to do their best to make this the best year ever for our Lodge. The new officer line up for 1991 is: Secretary- Ed Walker, Treasurer-Tom Davis, Chaplain-Sam Grover, Assistant Chaplain-Steve Cross, Senior Warden-Norm Gauch, Junior Warden-Ken Duttinger, Senior Deacon-George Adams, Junior Deacon-Joe Wehner, Senior Master of Ceremonies-Dominic Papillia, Junior Master of Ceremonies-Bud Stets, Senior Steward-Bob Traub, Junior Steward- Warren Doerrer, Marshal-Steve Cross, Tiler-Ken Yankey. In addition our many Past Masters are always present, ready, willing, and able to help out when needed. These experienced and user-friendly gentlemen are an indispensable and frequent fixture in John A. Robertson Lodge, and thanks to them Lodge business always runs smoothly.

I am dedicated to keeping time-honored traditions of our Lodge and yet introducing some small changes which will add variety and more participation in Lodge. I also will present an interesting variety of after-meeting entertainment for the enjoyment of the members and their wives. I believe that in this way we can generate a higher attendance and increase influx of candidates. I will try to work toward a goal of at least two new members brought in by each present officer and attending Mason of our Lodge. The concept is, in 1991, each attending member should bring in two new members: one to carry on the Masonic work, and one to replace him when he is no longer able to attend. This is all the recruitment that is asked for the remainder of your life. In your whole Masonic career you need only bring in two new members. If every attending officer and member of our Lodge accomplished this in 1991, the Lodge would be thriving and overflowing with new candidates.

I would like to extend a cordial invitation to those of you who are reading this and have not attended the meetings in the past. In 1991 you will find something of interest at every meeting night to entertain you and keep you going to meeting. Apart from our regular yearly entertainment activities, some of the entertainment you can expect will be guest speakers, various entertainment groups and individuals, interesting short documentaries and films. Please, those of you who attend regularly, contact a Brother who does not attend and ask if you can provide fraternal transportation. Also if there is a Brother who is ill or shut-in, please make every effort to visit to cheer him up if possible, or at least send a card. Names of

these Brothers may be obtained from our secretary. The more members there are present at the meetings, the more fun we have and the more gratifying the assembly becomes.

Thanks to all of my Lodge Brothers who had faith in me and supported me for the Mastership in 1991. I have had much constructive help from our Lodge members in the past moving up the line, and I ask your continued support now that I must carry the torch of responsibility for our Lodge and Masonry. The job is not an easy one, but I will give it my best shot and try to carry on the fine tradition of the dedicated Past Masters who really care about John A. Robertson Lodge. In addition I will also try to bring continued good will and praise to our Lodge in my offices as Grand Lodge Deputy Representative to Veterans Service, and Masonic representative to the Community Affairs Committee. Also I will continue service to our Lodge as Trustee for John A. Robertson to the Temple Civic Center Committee, where I serve as Secretary. Masonry has been for me, from the beginning, a sweetheart, and she is doubly demanding of me through my active participation as a line officer in the Royal Arch, the Royal and Select Masons, the Order of Knights Templar, the York Rite College, and the Order of Judas Maccabaeus. In addition I am also an active Shrine Circus Clown, a member of the Scottish Rite, the Damascus Shrine, the Order of the Eastern Star, and the Metro Rochester Police & Fire Square Club.

As you can see I take my Masonry seriously, and spend a huge amount of time in search of Masonic light. However, I have always felt that the Blue Lodge is the most important and delicate link in the Masonic chain, and should be carefully and lovingly attended and preserved no matter what one's Masonic wanderings may be. So, my Brothers, although I have many duties, my Lodge attendance has been perfect, and I will try my best to devote the needed and required time in the East in 1991. I hope to see many of you attend regularly to promote fraternity and Brotherly love within our Lodge. If you have any problems or situations that shorten your cabletow, please let me know! You never know when an assist from an able Brother Mason may help or do the trick! We call ourselves Brothers and I believe that the Master should be able and ready to listen to a Lodge Brother in any situation. In the next issue of the news, there will be a description and pictures of our past Christmas party and officer installation which was quite a celebration.

Fraternally,
Chris Starr
Master Elect

TRESTLEBOARD

January 21
Officer Lodge Installation

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every month
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Answers on
Page 19

Question 0:
George Washington was
Master of:

- A The Lodge at Fredericksburg
- B Alexandria Lodge No.22
- C Williamsburg Lodge No.6
- D Potomac Lodge No. 9

Question 1:
The Nova Scotia Masonic Stone
Seems to Date Some Masonry
on this Continent as Early as:

- A 1597
- B 1606
- C 1637
- D 1690

Question 2:
The First American Masonry of
Which There is Documentary
Evidence was at:

- A Boston, Massachusetts
- B Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- C Charleston, South Carolina
- D Savannah, Georgia

Question 3:
The First Known Mason in
America is Generally Conceded
to Have Been:

- A Henry Price
- B Daniel Cox
- C John Skene
- D Jonathan Belcher

Question 4:
The First Known Native Born
Mason in America is Generally
Conceded to have Been:

- A Henry Price
- B Daniel Cox
- C John Skene
- D Jonathan Belcher

Question 5:
Liber B is:

- A An early Masonic date
- B Oldest American Lodge Account Book Known
- C A Masonic symbol for Liberty
- D A Masonic document found in Newport, Rhode Island

Question 6:
The Boston Tea Party was
Joined by some Brethren of:

- A Several Lodges in Boston
- B St. Andrews Lodge
- C St. John's Lodge
- D Grand Lodge of Mass.

Question 7:
The Green Dragon Tavern is
Famous Masonically Because:

- A It was the favorite eating place of Paul Revere
- B The Grand Lodge of Massachusetts first met there
- C It was there that the Boston Tea Party was planned
- D St. John's Lodge was formed there

Question 8:
The number of Presidents of the
United States POSITIVELY

WEBSTER Lodge No. 538

Bruce Chilton, Master
342-2867 (Office 388-1360)
Stolan Ellis, Secretary
671-3296

1st & 3rd Thursdays

7:30 P.M.

Webster Temple
30 Orchard St.
Webster, N.Y. 14580

Brethren,

Bruce Chilton - what a hard act to follow. 1990's Master of Webster Lodge - but most of all a real caring, enthusiastic Brother. Bruce, we'll miss your smiling face in the East and your very special "Chilton" closings. But I know we will not miss your company, encouragement and help when ever we need it. As I said - a hard act to follow. Thanks for maintaining the excellence expected of and received from Webster "Masters". We'll do our best to preserve the tradition and to keep Webster "No. 1" in the District.

For those of you who attended the Degree Fest at the downtown Temple, you know that you experienced a historic event - the first time in the history of Monroe County that so many Lodges assembled to raise all of their candidates together - and maybe the first time in New York State (we'll have to check this out). Anyway, 22 Brothers were raised, 8 of them Webster Lodge members - and we owe it all to W. Bruce Chilton - it was his brain child. Many, many thanks Bruce. The extra effort you put in was really appreciated. Thanks too to W. Art Mason of East Rochester's Ancient Craft, W. Court Young of Valley Lodge and W. Danny Emerson of Towpath Lodge.

If you missed the meeting of Dec. 6 you really missed an event. We opened the Lodge, rushed to the downtown Temple and attended the 5th Annual Scottish Rite Awards night. I don't know who was more surprised when all 35 or so Webster Brothers stood up and cheered when W. Bruce escorted Bro. Dick Paterson to receive the award - Dick or R.W. Ron Mertens or R.W. and Ill. Sheldon K. Blank. It sure was fun

KNOWN to be Master Masons
is:

- A Eight
- B Eleven
- C Fourteen
- D Seventeen

Question 9:
How many Grand Masters
Became President of the
United States?

- A One
- B Three
- C None
- D Two

Question 10:
The Cornerstone of the U. S.
Capitol was Laid by George
Washington with Masonic
Ceremonies in:

- A 1800
- B 1793
- C 1787
- D 1789

adding our little bit to the honor bestowed on "Dickie". And the fun continued after we returned to Webster (as usual).

By the time you receive this the annual meeting of the Fellowcraft Club will have taken place and I expect the "Railroad" will have successfully carried W. Bruce into the President's chair where I am sure he will (loudly) continue to make his presence known. The annual meeting and election of officers will also have taken place. What an honor! - elected to office in Webster Lodge. We have a real challenge guys, but we're up to it.

Our Lodge was saddened by the passing of Roger Well in Canandaigua Hospital on June 2 (96 years old) and Donald Stevens of Wolcott on December 5. I know you will all want to join me in expressing our condolences to their families. We were pleased to hear that Bro. Howard Close continues to improve. Hang in there "Hirem". Stop in and say Hi when you are near the Penfield Nursing Home. Please also remember Ken Howard at the Maplewood Nursing Home and Lee Pellett at the Pinnacle Nursing Home.

We were glad to learn that Bro. Brad Hebner is on the mend. I understand it will not be long before he is back in Lodge, bringing us more of his "Shaggy Dog" stories (I sure hope he got some new ones from the nurses).

W. Bruce Chilton and R.W. Don McTarnaghan had a moving experience recently when they presented Bro. Ed Gosh with his 50 year pin. Congratulations Ed.

Just a note re: coming events: W. Bruce will still be in the East January 3. This will be "Bring a Friend Night" and we will also be talking about "Have a Heart - Buy a Heart" - if we get approval for the program. I hope that each of you brings a friend, maybe a potential candidate along. And don't forget the Public Installation on Saturday, January 5. Remember last year's installation and the super job done by the Past Masters. I know this year's will be even better. So invite your families, friends, and most importantly, potential candidates to what I know will be a memorable event.

I guess that's about it for this month. See you in Lodge.

Fraternally,
Mark V. Fenton
Master (Elect)

TRESTLEBOARD

January 3
"Bring a Friend Night"
Dinner 6:30 PM
January 5
Public Installation (Formal)
7:30 PM
January 10
Fellowcraft
7:30 PM
February 1-13
Have a Heart Buy a Heart
(Malls)
February 16
Ladies Night

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32 Symbolic Lodge Brothers Receive Scottish Rite Faithful Service Award Certificates

Symbolic Lodge Brothers Receive A.A.S.R. Awards

The fifth annual Scottish Rite Awards Night was held on Thursday evening, December 6, 1990 in the Masonic Temple, 875 E. Main Street, Rochester, NY 14605, in the Cathedral Hall.

The Awards are in recognition of the Dedication, Service and Continuous Support by a member to his Symbolic Lodge.

This is the Scottish Rite's way of exemplifying the strong relations that exist in our Masonic Family. The members of the Scottish Rite are pleased and proud to recognize the accomplishments of these Brethren.

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Henrietta Lodge #526
John R. Braun
John Hodge Lodge #815
Robert W. Case
Canandaigua Lodge #294
Dennis Chopin
Walworth Lodge #254
Robert H. Cook
Seneca Lodge #797
Angelo Di Cataldo
Wakan-Hubbard Lodge #154
Chalmers R. Dinger
Etolian Lodge #479
Vincent Di Sessa
Valley Lodge #109
Richard C. Dix
Fayette Lodge #539
George W. Durkee
Northfield Lodge #426
Bernard Farnsworth
Rose Lodge #590
Richard Felgner
Charlotte-Corinthian Lodge #1088
Frederick Frankish
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Eagle Lodge #619
Richard Hilliard
Wayne Lodge #416
Richard H. Houle
Garoga Lodge #300
Claude Hyatt

From the Desk of: The Commander in Chief



Ill. James B. Scobell, 33°

All Bodies
Meeting
January
"3"

The Awards Night was a tremendous success and it was all due to R.W. Ronald D. Mertens' hard work in planning this event. It was great to see so many Brothers, friends and families sharing in this program.

The honorees were presented their certificates by R.W. and Ill. Sheldon K. Blank, 33 Degree, Deputy Grand Master of Masons of the State of New York and R.W. and Ill. Carlton A. Winchester, 33 Degree Active and Deputy for the State of New York.

I would like to give special thanks to Ruth Freeman and her helper for the refreshments after the Program.

On January 3, 1991, there will be an All Bodies Meeting. I am looking forward to seeing a large turnout of members.

I wish you all a New Year filled with Good Health and Happiness.

Towpath Lodge #163
Jerard M. Marsh
Ark Lodge #33
Roderick C. Meier
Churchville Lodge #667
William Merle
Union Lodge #45
Alfred K. Miller
Fairport Lodge #476
Melvin W. Mosher
Monroe Lodge #173
Robert F. Ogden
Craftsman Lodge #969
Richard J. Patterson
Webster Lodge #538
Frederick S. Petty
Pultneyville Lodge #159
Cosmo Pusateri
Flower City Lodge #910
John F. Rehbach
Fame Lodge #945
Norman H. Routly
Union Star Lodge #320
Everett Sears
Clyde Lodge #341
John Setley
E. Rochester's Ancient Craft Lodge #943
Glenn A. Stahl
Frank L. Simes Lodge #990
Chris Starr
John A. Robertson Lodge #1032
Charles A. Tucker
Clio Lodge #779

Terrance O. Wright
Oatka Lodge #759
This year we were honored to have both R.W. and Ill. Carlton A. Winchester, 33rd Degree, Active and Deputy for the State of New York and R.W. and Ill. Sheldon K. Blank, 33rd Degree and Deputy Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York with us.
R.W. and Ill. Sheldon K. Blank, 33rd Degree and Deputy Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York delivered the very informative and humorous message for the evening. A good time was had by all.

Red Cap Club Holds Annual Holiday Dinner

By Mat. Gingold, 32° MSA, President

On Friday evening, November 30, 1990 the Meritorious Service Award Club of the Valley of Rochester held its annual Holiday Party. The dinner was held at Sumner's Restaurant and Party House (Lake Shore Country Club). There were 39 in attendance which composed of the members, their

Valley of Rochester Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Celebrates Family Life Week

A program recognizing Family Life was held in the Masonic Temple, 875 East Main Street, Rochester, NY in the Cathedral Hall on Thursday evening November 1, 1990. There were 135 in attendance. The program, under the able direction of R.W. David Clarke, consisted of demonstrations by the Rochester Gymnastics Training Center, Kazla Allen Dance Schools and Officer Burnett and his Wonder Dog "Jake". After the wonderful program, everyone was treated to "make your own Sundae Extravaganza" dessert. The Monroe County Executive, Thomas R. Frey, and the Mayor of Rochester, Thomas P. Ryan, issued a Proclamation proclaiming the week of November 18-24, 1990 to be Scottish Rite Family Life Week. The Proclamation is proudly displayed in the Scottish Rite Office.

Rochester Gymnastics Training Center



Kazla Allen Dancing Schools



Officer Burnett and



Wonder Dog (Jake)

ladies, the First and Second Lt. Commanders-in Chief of the Rochester Consistory and their ladies, the Secretary and Treasurer of the Rochester Consistory and their ladies, and 3 MSA widows. A choice of three menus were offered and enjoyed by all present. A gift of hand-painted china dishes and an additional gift packet was given to each lady in attendance. The group was entertained by Brother Spanky and his string instrument Gang.

The Planning Committee should be complimented for a job well done.

Save the Date April 27, 1991

Thrice Potent Master's DINNER

Watch for more information
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All Lodge of Perfection Officers are the Committee For Annual Dinner

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America is indeed a monument to the principles and ideals of the founding fathers—a monument to the truth we seek, to principle, to self-sacrifice, to the loyalty and devotion of its people.

And it is correct to say that our kind of America is a monument to the ideals and principles of Freemasonry, not only because of the accord in principles and ideals, but also because the majority of our founding fathers were Freemasons. Masons have an inherent right to say, "Behold the flag of our country, an emblem conceived by Freemasons and representing Masonic ideals."

Rear Admiral Homer N. Wallin at
Seattle, Wash., in 1955

Lodge of Perfection

Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite
Thrice Potent Master

Paul J. Rogers, 32° MS

ROCHESTER, N.Y.—November 28, 1990 a meeting was called by Ill. Carlton A. Winchester, 33° active and Deputy for the State of New York, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite.

This very informative meeting was held in Ionic Hall of the Masonic Temple at 875 Main Street East.

The Thrice Potent Master is very pleased to announce, All the Officers of the Lodge of Perfection were present for this meeting.

Deputy Master...J.S. Patrick McNamry
Senior Warden...Ruel R. Lovett
Junior Warden...F.Jay McCullough
Orator...Robert W. Kennedy
Master of Ceremonies...John Zabel
Captain of the Guard...Don Bell
Thank you so very much!!!

"Re-Member" Your Blue Lodge Lapel Pins Awarded Twelve Brothers

R.W. and Illustrious Carlton A. Winchester, 33° Active, and Deputy for the State of New York, assisted R.W. Sheldon K. Blank, 33°, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York in the presentation of lapel pins from the new Scottish Rite program "Re-Member" Your Blue Lodge.

The following Brethren of the Valley of Rochester, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, received the beautiful pins in recognition of having procured candidates for their lodges:
W. James Powell, and
W. Ruell Lovett, Etolian
W. Joseph Minas, Germania
W. Richard Friedman, and
R.W. William Lennox,

East Rochester's Ancient Craft
R.W. David Clarke, Valley
W. Daniel Emerson, Towpath
Brother Eric Dreeson, Fairport
W. Leo Pancoast, Churchville
R.W. Thomas Paglia,
Charlotte-Corinthian
R.W. Paul Spillane, Union Star
R.W. Stephen Whittaker, Seneca

Monroe District's Grand Lodge Officers Honored Presented Scottish Rite Plaques of Appreciation

Appreciation plaques were presented to the Grand Lodge officers of the Monroe Districts in appreciation of their successful efforts in achieving 100% participation by their Lodges in Scottish Rite Awards Night. Each Lodge in each Monroe

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Brethren:

It is my sad duty to report the passing of two of our Brothers (Past Masters) who were called Home by the Great Architect of the Universe.

W. Robert E. Phelps was Master of Northfield Lodge in 1975. A Masonic Funeral Service was held at the Crawford Funeral Home. To his wife, Norma, and Daughters, Cynthia and Beth, our deepest sympathies. W. Arthur F. Havill who was Master of Rochester Lodge #660 in 1987 - A Masonic Service was held at the Vay-Schleich and Meeson Funeral Home. To his wife, Lois and family, our deepest sympathies.

The Fellowcraft Club has installed two new fans in the Lodge. This makes a total of four fans installed. The Fellowcraft Club is putting a great effort into the Lodge.

As this is my last letter, I would like to thank the Lodge Brethren for giving me the opportunity to serve as your Master. I would like to thank all of the officers for their support throughout the year. To our Secretary, R.W. Ray Beardsley, who is always there when you need help, a special thank you. Also to Scott Seltzer for the effort that was needed to set up our dinners and make them all a success. Of course, this would have been very difficult without the help of your wife, Tracy - so Tracy, I say a special thank you. To Brothers Mark Willey and Dan Walker for doing a fine job in supporting the Jr. Warden.

I would like to say, to all our new friends that Mary and I met at the Masters and Wardens, we will sure miss the monthly meetings. To our President, W. Bruce Chilton, you did a fine job of keeping us together. However, what does "Doughboy" mean?

Finally, I would like to wish the following Brethren, who have birthdays in January, a Happy Birthday:

Ronald J. Bertie, Richard A. Burdett, George J. Dennis, James H. Elias, Donald S. Gates, Samuel T. Humphrey, James R. Hutchings, Roy H. Jensen, John J. Johnston, Lester J. Kuech, Walter L. Lee, James H. Lickers, Charles W. Lusk, George H. Matthews, Nelson C. Nelius, Jesus Ortega, Stanley S. Otto, Charles J. Pembroke, Edgar P. Reed, D. Scott Seltzer, Jack T. Sharp, Howard A. Stanley, Myron D. Staples, David S. Swan, L. Russell VanDeGriff.
Fraternally,

Trestleboard
January 3
Installation of Officers, and Dinner 6:30 P.M.
January 10
Officers Meeting
January 17
'91 Masters Visit and Program
Dewitt Clinton Presentation

Please
Attend the
All Bodies
Meeting
January 3

Supreme Council Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Scholarship Fund

The Leon M. Abbott Scottish Rite Scholarship program is now underway. Scholarships are available to children and grandchildren of Scottish Rite members. Students who are members of Masonically related organizations, (DeMolay, Rainbow, Triangle, and Jobs Daughters) also qualify for the scholarships.

Scholarship applications may be obtained from the Secretary of the Valley of Rochester, Ill. Robert P. Zabel, 33rd Degree, 875 E. Main Street, Rochester, NY 14605. All applications should be completed as comprehensively as possible and should be returned to the office not later than March 1, 1991.

Warm Welcome To Our Fall Reunion Class

The Valley Of Rochester Honors Ill. Rev. I. Vincent Lloyd, 33rd Degree Class of 1990

We want to recognize and welcome all the members of the Ill. Rev. I. Vincent Lloyd, 33rd Degree Class from the Fall Reunion:

Stuart Brickman
Roger Bense
Robert Franzen
James H. Pray
Raymond H. Ziemann
Scott A. Hill
Gerald E. Wier
George H. Rugenstein
John Landro
Richard O. Reber
John V. Williams
Neal A. Rath
David A. Netherwood
Leonard A. Latta
Kenneth S. Bumpus
Officers selected from this class are:

Richard O. Reber, President
Roger Bense, Treasurer

District had nominated a Faithful Service Award recipient

Much credit for this level of success was given to R.W. Paul Spillane, R.W. Stephen Whittaker, R.W. George Simon and R.W. Charles Spiegel, who received their plaques from R.W. Sheldon K. Blank, 33°, Deputy Grand Master and R.W. and Illustrious Carlton A. Winchester, 33° Active, and Deputy for the State of New York during the course of the Fifth Annual Symbolic Lodge Awards Night Program.

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Brethren and Ladies:

The 1991 line has by now been officially installed, and I take this opportunity to welcome Larry Foster back to line as our Assistant Senior Deacon and Education Committee Chairman. Larry has put together an extensive plan for this committee, and we will be discussing this at length in later meetings. I also welcome our new Marshal, Don Rose to line. We are looking forward to your participation, Don.

The 1991 program starts with our Junior Warden, Bob Crystal participating in a program to distribute Christmas gifts to needy children, and we are pleased with the response from the Brethren in assisting Bob. Our first regular communication is on January 8 and will feature all recently raised Brethren and Masonic friends. We take an opportunity to revisit with our newly raised Brethren under more relaxed circumstances (i.e., sans Degree work!), and learn a little more about them. After all, they have already demonstrated a considerable effort in learning about the Craft. January 12th, a Saturday, is our annual Winter outing, a toboggan party at Powdermill Park. The following weekend on January 19 provides more

formal family involvement when we will have a Public Installation of Seneca Officers, an excellent opportunity to invite more than casually interested observers of the Craft to catch a glimpse of Lodge room activities. Finally, for those whose interest is keenly sharpened by this, or other activities, we have a Masonic Information evening on January 22 where prospective members are introduced to the Masonic Craft.

As this year commences, I would like to thank my immediate predecessor, Peter J. Van Elzakker for his dedicated service to the Craft both within and outside the Lodge. Jack has distinguished himself in many areas of Masonic labor, but the areas I am most mindful of are his many years of leadership in our Fellowcraft program and in Masters and Wardens programs. We look forward to his continued leadership in long term efforts of the Lodge and I personally thank Jack for his unswerving dedication to the Craft.

Next month, I hope to discuss more about the basis of our 1991 plan as well as publicize our Trestleboard activities. I thank the members of Seneca Lodge for your faith in trust in electing me Master for 1991. I am encouraged greatly by the support and energy I have witnessed so far, and look forward to everyone's participation in the months, and years, to come!
Fraternally,
Ray Crandall

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Sir Knight Robert H. Cook
Grand Commander

Sir Knights, we have just enjoyed a very wonderful Christmas season celebrating the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ. Through His birth and ensuing life, we have based our lives in Templary.

We are now into a new year, a year of promise. A time when resolutions are made, many of which are destined to be broken. However, as we look on the positive side, we can make plans, not necessarily resolutions, to become active in our constituent commanderies. There are so many things to be done, creating programs of interest to attract new members, getting in touch with our current inactive members, planning events for this Spring and whatever projects possible. It would be desirable to create some projects. We must be positive if we are to succeed in bringing Templary to the forefront.

The two areas of concern and which need attention are: The Easter Sunrise Service at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial at Alexandria, Virginia. (March 29-31, 1991). S.K. Ronald Bertie, Grand Junior Warden, will be contacting each commandery with appropriate information. The 23rd Annual Campaign for the Eye Foundation is now underway. Our goal again this year is \$5.00 per member. We can do it.

Sir Knights, and Fellow Masons as we embark on this new year let us remember to Be Positive, Be Enthusiastic, Be Visible, and ENJOY TEMPLARY and Masonry in general.

Lady Jean and I wish to thank all those who attended the reception in Rochester on October 27th. It was wonderful to see so many there. We enjoyed it, and certainly hope you did. It was a very special night with very special people. We look forward to seeing and being with all of you as our year progresses.

Genesee York Rite College No. 25 Rochester, New York (Chartered July 14, 1962)

Our Pre-Eminent Governor C. Raymond Hager and his wife Vi, hope that all of you had a very lovely season. It is a very good time to remember what it represents to all people. Glad we live in a country like ours!

We had a very good meeting Saturday, Dec. 8th 1990 at the Masonic Temple in Palmyra, N. Y. We had 24 members plus their wives in attendance. The ladies had their good time while we had our meeting. At the meeting, we presented names for membership in our College. They will be informed who they are after the first of the 1991 year. Hope they join with us as we always have a good time together. After our meeting, we all went to the Carriage Stop Restaurant in Palmyra and a good dinner and pleasures afterwards were well received by all. Enjoy this get together always. There were 36 at the dinner and thanks to all for coming.

We have sickness to report at this time. John Waldo is still in St. John's Nursing Home. Hugh Robertson was sick but is better now. Don Markham is in the hospital and Jerald Brade is also in the hospital. Both have had heart attacks. Cards and well wishes and your prayers will be deeply appreciated. Sometimes, it gets rough with sickness which can't be helped.

Received a letter from Harry J. Croyle of Ann Arbor, Michigan and in the letter, he enclosed their Ann Arbor Masonic Newsletter. It was very interesting and they sure have a lot of Masonic activities out that way. Hope to receive one each time they have it out. Received Christmas cards and letters from those who could not make this meeting.

Our next meeting will be with Niagara Frontier College #77. Both our Colleges will have a celebration on Saturday, March 9th 1991 at 3 PM at the Masonic Temple, Main and Mill Streets, Angola, NY. Our College is going to put on the Order of York on Candidates from both Colleges. Put this down in your book and plan on attending. Should be a great time together. Will have more in the next issue of the Monroe Masonic News. Remember the ladies are invited too.

Believe that is all for this time so until we meet in the near future have a good time all.

Fraternally,
C. Raymond Hager
Pre-Eminent Gov.
Roy E. Huff
Reporter

Communicate

Past High Priests Association 27th Capitular District

"HAPPY NEW YEAR" to all Companions and Brethren who receive the Monroe Masonic News. It is time to set our goals, make New Year's Resolutions, and embark on new adventures. We hope that those endeavors will totally support Masonry and in particular Royal Arch Masonry, but specifically Royal Arch Masonry in the 27th Capitular District. The Past High Priest Club is new and it is growing, not only in numbers but in our recognition as a new member of York Rite Masonry community.

Saturday, November 10th, the PHP Club held its meeting at Henrietta Lodge #526 on Erie Station Road in Henrietta, New York. The following minutes of that meeting are detailed below for your information.

Selection of the 1990 "Companion of the Year" Award has been made by the selection committee. Notification to the recipient will be forthcoming and plans are being formulated to officially communicate and present the award during January 1991. This is our "First" Award of this kind and it is hoped that the nominations will be plentiful for next year's selection of the 1991 Companion of the Year. Research is being conducted to design the "special" certificate for this honorable award by the Companions of the Past High Priest Club.

A telephone committee has been appointed by the President Donald W. Wright. The committee consists of Ted L. Diehl, Jerry Jones, Arnold Palmer, and Donald W. Wright. Telephone assignments for each of the committee members will be forthcoming from the President. The primary function of the committee will be to call the PHP Club membership to remind them of Club functions and solicit assistance for our particular needs.

A letter from the PHP Club will be sent in January to detail the necessity of Annual Membership Fees for the Club. Initial fees will be \$5.00 per member for the year 1991. The "first" year following the tenure of High Priest of a Chapter will be "free" membership in the PHP Club for one year. Membership cards are ready to be sent to the Membership as their fees are received.

Minutes of our meetings are to be published in the Monroe Masonic News as a means of communicating them to all Royal Arch Masons for their understanding and information of Club activities. These minutes will also be made available to the District Deputy of the 27th Capitular District for publication in the Livingston County Masonic News to reach those members who do not receive the Monroe Masonic News.

Our next meeting will be held January 19, 1991 at 7:30 pm at the Secretary's house at 50 Heather Dale Chase in Henrietta, 14467. This meeting will be our Annual Meeting with Election of Officers, establishing plans for the year, etc.

Monroe Commandery No. 12 Knights Templar (Chartered in 1827)

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Sir Knights:

We hope everyone enjoyed the holidays as we did. Due to circumstances beyond our control, the Holiday Party and Ham dinner for Monroe Commandery No. 12, which was to be held on December 21st, will be postponed to January 4th 1991 at the Downtown Masonic Temple Main St. E. Please bring a dish to pass. The ham and rolls will be provided, in the 3rd floor dining room at 6:30 p.m.

I would like to mention to the Sir Knights and Companions who receive The Royal Arch Mason Magazine, S.K. Ronald L. Brown, Grand Sentinel Knights Templar State of New York, has a column he writes for the Grand Commandery. The Fall issue is about the declining membership of the Masonic fraternity, which was surveyed by the Masonic Renewal Task Force. Anyone who wishes more information about this issue, write or call Ronald L. Brown, 1071 Ridge Rd, Ontario, NY 14519, ph. 315-524-7960.

Let us not forget the annual Easter Sunrise Memorial Service on March 31st 1991. This Grand Encampment Program is wholeheartedly supported by this Grand Commandery. It is an opportunity for Templars to demonstrate their faith in the resurrection of our Lord and Savior. S.K. Ronald J. Bertie, Grand Junior Warden, and his committee is making arrangement for an enjoyable and meaningful stay in Washington D.C. All Sir Knights and their families are invited to attend. I will have more information on transportation in my next column.

"Happy Birthday" Sir Knights:

- 1-6 John E. Becker
- 1-8 David Corly
- 1-10 Gerald P. Miller
- 1-15 George Anderson
- 1-17 William Babeock Jr.
- 1-21 Claudio Malusa

Any Sir Knight who is not current on their dues, Please contact S.K. Robert H. Cook, 65 Dunbarton Dr., Rochester, NY 14618, Ph. 716-473-0393.

"It is a funny thing about life; if you refuse to accept anything but the best, you very often get it".

God Bless
Fraternally,
George Bundoc
Em. Commander

A consolidated list of Projects/Goals will be presented and "brainstorming" of new ideas will be completed to "add" to the listing as so many of the original ideas have been touched upon. Post Cards of the meeting will be sent approximately one week prior as a reminder to all members.

Fraternally,
Ted L. Diehl, Secretary

Doric Council No. 19 Cryptic Masons (Chartered in 1861)



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875 Main St. East
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Companions, I hope this article finds everyone in good health, and rested after the past holidays. I hope one of your New Years resolutions is that you are going to attend at least one meeting of Doric Council this coming year.

The January meeting will be a presentation by Ill. Companion Ron Mertens, who will talk on his two years in Grand Lodge as Junior Grand Warden.

Sickness and Distress

Ill. Companion John Waldo at St. John's Home (cards and visits).

Companion George Hebner is home recuperating from surgery.

Companion James A. Jackson, greeted as a Select Master in 1920, Life Member of Doric Council, has passed away.

To report a companion's sickness or distress, contact our Recorder, Ill. Companion L. Edward Walker at 647-2382.

In closing, MAY THE BLESSINGS OF HEAVEN REST UPON YOU AND YOURS.

Fraternally,
Lawrence W. Dunn
Ill. Master
Roy E. Huff
Reporter

Order of JUDAS MACCABEUS Genesee Valley Assemblage No. 1 Masonic Temple 875 Main Street east Rochester, N.Y. 14605

The next activity of your Assembly will be on January 13th 1991. We will have an after holiday party at the home of Elaine and Ron Bertie. A social hour will be from 3 PM to 5 PM. A buffet lunch will be served at 5 PM. We will have a dish to pass and the calling committee will contact you. Bring your table service. No swim suits required at this time.

Companion John Waldo is still in the St. John's nursing home. John would like a visit from you and cards would be very gratefully received at this time. He has been there a long time.

Your assemblage is planning other activities in the future for your pleasure. If you have ideas on various functions you would like to have, please voice your ideas at our January 13th meeting.

We hope that you all had a happy holiday season and we look forward to a bright new year. We can make it very interesting by attending the meetings. See you there.

Fraternally,
Commander Ronald J. Bertie
Reporter Roy E. Huff

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Companions

As we progress through this decade to the turn of the century, time seems to be flying even faster. We do wish to reach out and "Touch You" in one way or another this year.

First let me thank Bob Zahn and Linda for a wonderful job done in 1990. They are not stopping Jan. 1st either; both have already volunteered to help me this year. I also hope we can make this year a

"Team Effort". All officers are to feel they are part of the "Team".

On Jan. 10th will be installation of our 1991 officers. The Jan. 24th meeting will have Ted Honea speaking on Old Masonic Emblems, etc., some in use, some are not. Come out and see what they are all about.

I am looking for one or two good chefs (some one who hasn't been in Chapter for awhile) to put on a Dinty Moore Beef Stew for Saint Pats Day. Being good Masons we will celebrate it on Mar. 14th our regular meeting night. My phone is 538-4487.

It is with regret I must announce the passing of two faithful Companions close together: Excellent Robert Phelps and Arthur F. Havill. The alter will be draped.

Please keep in mind the Chapter Convention Mar. 1 & 2, 1991 in Albany. We have had a good turn out for this, let us keep it up. Bob Zahn has all information and is just waiting to sign you up.

Fraternally,
Hugh H. Robertson
High Priest Elect

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Desert Outreach

(Update on Desert Shield)

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American-Canadian

Grand Lodge Communication)

Last month we provided a brief overview of some of the "spare-time" activities our desert rats have been involved in since the advent of "Desert Shield". Having now received a report from our local DDGM, without naming specific individuals or "organizations" involved, we'd like to provide an update based on the information extracted from his report. In early August, prior to the arrival of most US and allied troops, most of the dependents were evacuated, but reportedly many of them have now returned to the Kingdom, assured of relative safety.

Our desert rats have taken a leading role in the Dhahran community to set up and administer troop visitation programs, programs which have been duplicated in the other communities. The October trestleboard in Dhahran summarizes these:

("Host a Soldier Program")

(HASP) involves inviting soldiers to your house, providing them with showers, washing all their clothes giving them a home-cooked meal and plenty of cold pop, letting them call home and after a relaxing time in the air-conditioned house, pack them off again to their units. In Dhahran alone, we average of 150 soldiers per night (at times it's been as high as 280) have been hosted in this manner, six nights per week, since the program started. Over 3,500 soldiers have been involved in the HASP program to date. A "Meals on Wheels" program also involves preparing and delivering hot meals for the armed escort that accompanies the troops for the HASP, at designated pick-up/drop-off points.

("Operation Desert Outreach") involves volunteers using their own 4-wheel drive vehicles to transport 5-6 tons of ice and some 5-6,000 cans of cold soft drinks, iced tea, Gatorade, and water to

front line troops, each day of every weekend. These, plus books, videos, baseball gear, games, etc., are all paid for by the volunteers and the fund-raising activities of our local desert rats.

Committees have been established and manned by volunteers to coordinate pick-up times related to the HASP program, while other volunteers direct the traffic that involves an average of 70-100 vehicles each night.

Our DGM himself has been very much involved in similar activities with troops of the 82nd so close to his office they're practically camped in his back yard.

Let's hope and pray that as long as the troops are stationed in Saudi, the biggest concern of everyone will continue to be only quenching thirsts, washing clothes, serving-up home-cooked meals, and packing the troops safely back to their units. So Mote it be!

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Constellation Lodge No. 404 Hosts 1990 Genesee-Wyoming District Convention Perry, New York November 7, 1990



By W.: Douglas J. Kelly, A.G.L., Genesee-Wyoming District

Constellation Lodge hosted the 1990 Grand Lecturers Convention for the Genesee-Wyoming Masonic district on November 7th at 7:30 p.m., at the Masonic Temple in Perry. About 50 Brothers attended a nice dinner served by the Order of Eastern Star.

The meeting was then opened by R.: W.: Robert Hebner, DDGM and R.: W.: Eligus Ranier, Grand Chaplain. M.: W.: Calvin Bond presented a fine program on Masonic Ritual and exemplified some new changes which are now in effect. It was an enjoyable evening for all.

Front row, left to right---W.: Douglas Kelly, Assistant Grand Lecturer; M.: W.: Calvin Bond, Grand Lecturer; R.: W.: Robert Hebner, District Deputy Grand Master; R.: W.: Robert Seils, Grand Director of Ceremonies.

Back row, left to right---W.: John Cook, Master of Constellation Lodge; R.: W.: A. John Tijou, Regional Assistant Grand Lecturer.

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(We've had several inquiries about this clock and felt it was time (No pun intended to make information about them available to the Masonic Community)

Hawaii Holds First Grand Lodge Session:

On September 15, 1990 the Grand Lodge of Hawaii held its first Annual Communication. Grand Master William McKee was elected for a second term. The Installation will be held on Jan. 12, 1991. The time and location had not been announced as of this issue of Emessay Notes.

If your travel plans will have you in Hawaii on Jan. 12, 1991 we are sure the Grand Lodge would be pleased to have you attend their Installation. If you wish to contact them for more information write: Or call (808)-949-7809.

Grand Lodge of Hawaii

1227 Makiki St.

Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

Washington Visits Hawaii

A contingent of nearly fifty (50) Masons and their ladies from Washington State led by their Grand Master, Sidney Kase traveled to Hawaii to attend the first annual communication of that Grand Lodge which was held on Sept. 15, 1990. The support for this new Grand Lodge, as shown by the attendance of this group, as well as those from other jurisdictions was meant to encourage their continued efforts toward becoming a strong factor in promoting the ideals of Freemasonry in their area of influence and throughout the world.

As a sidelight to this trip, a floral wreath was laid at the USS Arizona Memorial by Masons from Washington in memory of those U.S. Servicemen who sacrificed their lives on December 7, 1941 when the Japanese Fleet attacked our Fleet at Pearl Harbor.

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Brethren,

We have an exciting year ahead of us and I hope to see you at all the meetings. The officers are interested in making our Lodge one of the best in the first Monroe, But WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT. I have listed some of our planned activities and don't forget the fellow craft nights on the third Tuesdays.

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FEBRUARY
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152 Commercial St. West
East Rochester, N.Y. 14445

I will not write usual farewell article that so often denotes an ending and a "new beginning". I feel that our newly elected Master, Frank Granata Sr., is continuing the work of his many predecessors while adding his own approach and style to best meet the needs of the Lodge AS HE NOW SEES THEM! I emphasize that last part because Frank's perspective may not be yours but he deserves your support. He has a wealth of experience on both the Lodge and District levels and therefore can provide insights and ideas that are unique and positive. Frank truly exemplifies the characteristics of a Mason and will be a tremendous Master.

Our elections on December 10th provided a solid and competent line of officers for the coming year. There is a mix of experienced "veterans" and "young turks" who can keep the growth and dynamic nature of our Lodge going. Instead of the older Brothers having to say "Let the young guys do it, I've done my share" or the new Brothers saying "No time in my schedule!", we have found a wonderful group of men who WANT to be part of the excitement. We hope others will follow their lead.

A special thanks to all the Brothers who took part or showed up for the Third Degree Fest on December 1 and those who attended the Scottish Rite's Award to W. John Setley on December 7th. Both were fine affairs, the former emphasizing the strength of our growing Lodge and the latter the accomplishments of one of our most important members. Thanks to all and congrats John and Rich!

Please look carefully through this issue of the Monroe Masonic News! You will see additional articles about our Lodge and its' Brothers!

To all who have supported my efforts this year, I thank you sincerely. I know there have been "bumps" along the way, especially with getting accustomed to a merged Lodge, but most of you took these "bumps" in stride. I hope we are better for it.
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Through dedicated and motivated past masters with foresight, and a membership which wants to be involved, this Lodge has been honored and recognized by Monroe County, the State of New York Grand Lodge, the Philaethes Society and now, the Masonic Service Association of the United States' *The Short Talk Bulletin*, in an article entitled "Brother Bring a Friend Night" by W. Brother Richard Friedman. This December 1990 publication will be distributed to Grand Lodge officers in every jurisdiction and to over 300,000 subscribers. It is because of this and other positive ideas, which makes me proud to serve as Master of East Rochester's Ancient Craft Lodge No. 943 for 1991. In articles to come, we will be exploring a new concept in lodge management and development.

Brothers, "Look well to the East - East Rochester's Ancient Craft Lodge No. 943 - The Lodge of the 90's".

Franklin G. Granata
Master-Elect

Trestleboard
January 14
Installation of Officers
Dinner at 6:30
January 21
Fellowcraft Club at E.R. Temple
7:30
January 28
Meeting with Program

Wakan-Hubbard

Lodge 154

Les. Andrews, Master
671-6530
Frank P. Denton, Secretary
467-4619

2nd & 4th
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7:30 P.M.



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Brethren:

Amos Bronson Alcott, one of the great philosophers in past years, once made the remark, and I quote, "A sip is the most that mortals are permitted, from any goblet of delight." How true that philosophy rings for me, as I write this, my final article, representing Wakan-Hubbard Lodge #154 of Penfield, as its leader.

What an exciting and fulfilling year this has surely been. So very much has been achieved, both within the Lodge rooms themselves, and in the Community—from the Antique Car Show in April, to the Childrens Christmas Party on December 16th. Thank you, All so very much!

My sincere thanks are due to the many who helped, and indeed were instrumental, in creating the elevated plateau we reached. And, I think, to head that list, I sincerely

thank the Irondequoit Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, for the many, many high caliber meals they provided for us. Thank you again, girls.

Thanks also go to W. Brother Lou and Brother Ray DiJames, for the many hours of labor which they gave at our now beautiful Temple. To W. Ange DiCataldo, for his many hours of work, and to his lovely wife Karen, for her labors in preparing and laying out the food tables at our Open House. And also to the Brothers who cleaned our Lodge the day before.

I thank, too, every member of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge for their strong support throughout the entire year. They are surely a fabulous group of Brethren. But I particularly wish to thank all our Past Masters whose loyalty, and presence, has always been a great help and support. I also extend a huge "Thank You" to my line officers. I appreciate and admire each and every one of them. And please, if I've forgotten to thank anyone, it is purely an oversight, and quite unintentional.

Finally, my brothers, I charge you to be as supportive of our incoming Master as you have been toward me, which will be the ultimate assurance of yet another great year.

Fraternally,
W. Les Andrews

Brethren:

As Master Elect for 1991, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has helped me in my progress through the chairs, especially the Past Masters. I will endeavor to fulfill the responsibilities that lie before me to the best of my ability, and with your support, I'm sure we will accomplish all our goals. We Now Have Parking

To begin with, thanks to the efforts of W. Les Andrews, the Church parking lot adjacent to the lodge will be available for those Brethren who arrive not later than 7:20 PM. The lot will be closed promptly at 7:20 PM, and latecomers must find their own parking spot. It will be reopened after the meeting.

At our January 28th meeting, W. Brian Pursey, Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies, Grand Lodge of England will present a "Festive Board, English Lodge style" after the meeting.

Thank you again for putting your faith in me. I wish you all a "Guid New Year".

Yours fraternally,
John N. Irvine, Master Elect

News and Views

District Deputy Supreme

We are proud to announce that W. Brother Joe Dimino, who has been a member of the Rochester Forest No. 133, Tall Cedars of Lebanon, for many years, has accepted the position of District Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar for 1991. We wish him great success in his new duties.

Among the many brothers who attended the annual Master's Dinner, Gene Waddington (PM '67) almost forgot it. According to Master Les Andrews, "All of his excuses didn't hold water".

W. Eugene Brown, and his wife Martha, went on a Caribbean cruise during the last weeks of November, and enjoyed it. With temperatures in the 70's and 80's during their cruise, they had to come back to snow.

We extend our heartfelt condolences to the families of Milton Ashley and Ted Johnson. Brother Milton's stepmother passed away, as did Brother Ted's Aunt.

Brother Willard Knope is now in the Hurlbut Nursing Home. W.

Flower City Lodge No. 910

Maurice Solomon, Master
271-5435
Philip Averbach, Secretary
458-1817

2nd Tuesday
7:30 P.M.

Masonic Temple
875 Main St. East
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Brethren, I would like to take this, the opportunity of my first article of 1991, to thank Right Worshipful Maurice Solomon for his leadership, and for again demonstrating that our ritual, when performed as it was meant to be, is beautiful to the ear and inspirational to the mind. It is my desire to maintain our work as close to the standard Maury has set as is humanly possible.

Installation of officers will be held at 7:30 P.M. on Tuesday, January 8, in Ionic Hall on the third floor of the Masonic Temple at 875 East Main Street, Rochester, New York. Attitude-adjustment time at 6:00 and dinner at 6:30, in the third floor dining room, will precede the meeting.

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS:

We are sorry to hear that Brother Maynard Hellman has lost his Brother Robert.

Brother Samuel Bloom is in Strong Memorial Hospital recovering from a stroke. We wish him a full recovery.

CONGRATULATIONS:

Congratulations to Brother Simon Simel on the birth of his granddaughter, and to W. Bro. Herb Hirsch on the upcoming marriage of his daughter, Deborah.

Trestleboard

January 8
Installation of Officers
January 15
Fellowcraft Dinner
For details and/or reservations, call W: Herb Hirsch at 266-2390 or R:W: Phil Averbach at 458-1817.

Carl Anderson will have been in the hospital for a shoulder operation and we expect him to be back home recuperating. Brother Len Latta's wife, Grace, was taken to the hospital for an angina attack and is now recuperating, slowly. And, Brother Earl Phillips is ill at home, and we trust that he is recovering satisfactorily.

We extend our congratulations to Brother Richard L. Brockman, Sr. for receiving the Lodge "Mason of the Year" plaque.

Jay Panton recently spent one night in the Hospital. The medication he was using caused his ulcers to act up. By the time you read this, Brother

That's all for now
Brother Don Bell

TRESTLEBOARD

Jan 14
Dinner at 6:30 PM
Installation of Officers
Jan 28
Business meeting
Presentation of "Festive Board, English Lodge style"

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2nd Monday
7:30 P.M.

3 North Main St.
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Dear Brothers and friends,

December 10th we had elections at our Lodge, and I'm happy to report that we have a new Master elect. January 14th will be Installation of the new officers. There will be a dinner (swiss steak) at 6:30. For reservations please contact our Junior Warden, Bill Finch no later than Jan. 10th at 624-1254. I urge all of you to be there.

Congratulations to W. Norm Routly for his Ancient Scottish Rite Award. R.W. Brother Paul Spillane reported on the evening. Sounds like it was a well kept secret for our Brother Norm. Also thanks to the Brothers who were there that night to represent our Lodge.

Since this is my last communications (HOORAH!!) I'll keep it very short. I just want to thank all the people who helped me to make my two years as Master an enjoyable experience. See you all in Lodge.

Fraternally,
Joseph J. Cotteleer

TRESTLEBOARD

January 14
Dinner at 6:30
Installation of Officers at 7:30

I sincerely thank the membership of Union Star 320 for extending to me the opportunity to again serve as Master of THEIR Lodge and to serve THEM. I am very excited about the line of officers we have this year and their commitment to the future.

We have an outstanding fraternal organization, aided by direction from our Grand Lodge and from our Monroe Districts; we have a beautiful Masonic Temple located at the four corners in Honeoye Falls; we have a wonderful community to belong to in Honeoye Falls and Mendon; we have you as our partner, friend, and Brother. Yes, we have a lot to be thankful for.

My congratulations to those elected and appointed to the offices in Union Star Lodge #320 for the next year. My sincere thankfulness and appreciation to all for their contributions and efforts during this past year.

Our next stated communication will be January 14th. We will have a dinner before the meeting at 6:30 PM and our meeting starting at 7:30 PM. Please call Bro. William Finch or myself, 624-1308, for reservations.

If you would like to help, in any way, or have any suggestions for activities, projects, etc., please write, call, or see me or any of your officers.

I sincerely wish you all the warmest of Holiday Greetings and the success of a New Year.

Fraternally,
Kenneth Buckland
Master Elect

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We've all heard the Secretary at our Lodge meetings say, "Anyone interested, stop after the meeting and I'll give you the necessary forms or information." How many fathers or grandfathers remember to stop for that information?

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Thanks for your much needed assistance.

Fraternally,

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Hello Friends!!!!
 During the month of December we went Christmas Caroling at Hurlbert Nursing Home and gave out reindeer ornaments. Also we were very privileged by the presence of Right Worthy Donald E. Freeman, District Grand Lecturer Order of the Eastern Star of the State of New York, at our open meeting on November 24, 1990. Our Beloved Queen Joy Staub gave us her Term plans as follows:
 January 5 or 6: Ice skating at Manhattan Square Park
 January 12: Regular meeting
 February 9: Open meeting all are welcome to come
 March 9: Regular meeting
 March 23: Regular meeting and election of officers

This year for fund raisers we will be selling: Corsages at the Grand Ball, candy, trays, pens, and ornaments. The money raised from these fund raisers will be given to the Masonic news and the Melita House for girls in trouble.

We are hoping to have a dinner for the past and present members of DeMolay and Triangle. Those who are interested in attending this reunion please contact me at 334-7953 and give your name and address. So I will be able to contact you about this dinner, plus if you know of any others related to these organizations please leave me their name and numbers so that I may contact them. Even though there has been no set date.

Once again if you know of any girls between the ages of 11 to 21, please tell them about us and if they are interested you may contact me for any more information.

Fraternally,
 Amy Lynch
 Jr. Past Beloved Queen

Do you Know A Senior DeMolay?

The International DeMolay Alumni Association is searching for former members of the Order of DeMolay so that a directory containing the names of all former members can be produced.

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As Master Elect of your Lodge, it is my duty to keep you informed of the many activities and functions throughout 1991. My first duty is to urge each and everyone of you to attend the installation of officers on January 8th at 7:30 PM. This will be preceded by a roast beef dinner provided by Culver Chapter. If you have not been contacted by the Calling Committee, please call me at 621-6051 or MICHAEL ECKHOUT at 352-9578.

Traveling Gavel

Thanks to the efforts of 10 Brothers, who attended Fairport Lodge on December 10th, we are now in possession of this trophy. (To all Lodges, it is yours to get).

At this time, the Brotherhood Campaign for 1991 is in full swing. Brother DEAN MARSAW will gladly receive any donations you may wish to offer.

On December 6, 1990, Brother JOHN REHBACH received the Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Service Award. This certificate is to honor Master Masons who have been a credit to the Craft. CONGRATULATIONS, JOHN!!

Sickness and Distress

Worshipful LEONARD JOHNSON is in the hospital. Let's hope that by the time you read this message, he is up and running.

Brother FRED FUMIA is also in the hospital. He has a bout with pneumonia. Please remember these Brothers with cards.

I hope to acquire more news about the activities of the Brethren in my future columns. In order to do this, I need your assistance. If you have any news which you wish to share with your Lodge Brothers, please send it to me so that I can get it into this newspaper.

Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year To All! Fraternally,
Worshipful Kenneth Rhodes

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January 8
Installation of Officers
January 22

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Greetings to all Brothers and friends, this is the last of the series and will probably be the longest.

I am proud to inform you that November 26th we raised three new Brothers, Bryan Kerry, Donald Kimmel and Michall Lovett. The Degree was one that we can be proud of and I wish to thank the officers and Past Masters of Etolian. On December 1st two of the newly raised Brothers and myself attended the first Third Degree Fest at the Temple downtown, eighteen Brothers from five Lodges had the Degree conferred upon them in four separate classes. After lunch the second section was put on in full costume. To say the least, it was very impressive.

December 10th was our Official Visit, seven Grand Lodge Officers were present and were read then presented with a letter from Wor. John Mattern about our concerns with the manner of choosing Grand Lodge Officers by the Purple Club. After we received the Grand Masters message, all Grand Lodge Officers retired and we proceeded with our election of officers for the 1991 year. Here are the results:

Master
Thomas Michielson
S. Warden
James Barker
J. Warden
Charles Dyer
Secretary
Bradley Goodridge
Treasurer
Ruel Lovett
Trustees
Chester Carter and John Mattern

I wish to thank all that came and participated and give best wishes to all the new officers. I also wish to thank all of this year's officers and all the Past Masters that helped make this year as successful as it was.

At last I come to the end of one of the most interesting, agonizing, fun and rewarding years' of my life. In the past twelve months or so I feel that I have grown as a person and a Mason, and learned a few things about myself some of which I am proud of others I had to face and make changes. My family has been behind me and supported me through all of it and I will thank them for it now. My children, Kurtis and Kristy there were times when you would have liked to do something on Monday night but Dad had a meeting, seldom did you complain even when I, by mistake, scheduled meetings or rehearsals on Meet the Teacher Night or Softball game night or Karate nights. For all of that I am truly sorry and hope that some day you will want to find out why it was so important for me to be away so much and Kurt become a part of The Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons and Kristy become part of The Order of Eastern Star. My duties have not ended yet, as you know, but I promise to do better with scheduling. To my mother, Marge Goodridge, without you I could not have even considered

Frank L. Simes**Lodge No. 990**Robert Stear, Master
223-5915(Office (315) 331-1700-Ext 2227)
Richard Snyder, Secretary
342-2419 (Office 286-4624)**2nd
Tuesday**
7:45 P.M.

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I regret to have to start off the New Year with sad news. Our venerable Brother, W: Frank O. Higgins, passed to the Celestial Lodge during the early morning of December 7. Frank has been recovering from a heart attack suffered a few weeks earlier, but experienced a rapid deterioration in the last few days.

Brother Frank was a mainstay of the Lodge and a source of pleasure to all of us. His usual place on the sideline was one of the most regularly filled. Frank was raised in Orpheus Lodge 1082 on February 28, 1939 and was Master in 1946. When Orpheus consolidated with Simes in 1982, he transferred his energy to the support of Simes and became one of its most faithful members.

There can be no question of Frank's devotion and fidelity to his Craft. Now that he has laid aside the working tools we can be assured that he will receive the approval of the Grand Architect for a job well done.

At this time, when the Lodge is about to enter a new consolidation and so a time of uncertainty, Frank can continue to serve as our trustworthy guide. Many of us are no doubt wondering what this consolidation will mean to us and the Lodge. Questions like "will Simes cease to exist as we have known it? Will there be any place left for me? Will it be the same Lodge I was raised in or joined?" go through our minds.

We should take our example from Frank. When Orpheus joined Simes, Frank did not stop to doubt or loiter in the background. He supported the move with enthusiasm and gave his full heart to making the consolidation work.

Without question there will be a period of adjustment, of getting used to the "new" Lodge. But let's remember that the old Lodge really is still there, and that most of all it is a Masonic Lodge, a place for all to meet on the level in good will.

being Master this year. You have provided me with more than just moral support, you were always there to do things with the kids when I couldn't, provided me with a tux and giving a push or rather a kick when I needed it. To all of you I love you very much. There is only one regret I have and that is that Dad could not be with me, in the flesh, however he is with me.

Fraternally,
Bradley T. Goodridge
Past Master

TRESTLEBOARD

January 14
Installation of Officers
7:30

January 28
Stated Communication
7:30

Rocks and minerals (slide presentation)
Worshipful EARL BRANCH

That is the most important thing.

What this new undertaking requires most, after the blessing of the Grand Architect, is our faithful work. It is not a time to sit back and watch to see "what happens," but a time to pitch in and make things work.

This consolidation is not an ending but a beginning. Just as we all went through a progression of Degrees, each of which was a new beginning, now the Lodge is entering a new phase. Just as we didn't give up on our Degree requirements but worked and saw them through, now the Lodge has to do some work to make its new life the success it can be.

What most impressed me when I entered Simes Lodge was the great spirit of support and cooperation, the unspoken will to work together and help. This will be the solid foundation that we can contribute and on which we can consolidate our two District Lodges into one that will surpass either of its predecessors.

To do this we need the labor of good Masons. We need you. Don't look at this as an occasion to feel estranged from Lodge, as though it were passing you by, but as an opportunity to become involved and reinvigorated.

Fraternally,
Ted Honea
Senior Warden

P.S. Word just reached us at the last moment that Brother (Major) Robert Peace, who is head of the 134th maintenance division here in Rochester, has just been called up for duty in Saudi Arabia. Our thoughts and support go with both Brother Peace and W: Brother Richard Snyder who are now doing their duty for us traveling in foreign countries.

O A T K A**Lodge No. 759**Larry R. Scheerens, Master
594-1089Lawrence W. Dunn, Secretary
594-8033**2nd & 4th Wednesdays**
7:30 P.M.+
5 Browns Ave.
Scottsville, N.Y. 14546

As my first official act I would like to thank the members of O-AT-KA for having the confidence in my abilities to elect me as Master for the 1991 Masonic year. Please be assured that I will try my best to have an exciting and interesting year.

As some of you out there might already know, I am the 4th Scheerens in a row to hold the office of Master of O-AT-KA Lodge and while this makes me exceedingly proud, let me assure you all that by no means am I the last of a long line of successful Lodge officers. I am happy that our Lodge has developed many capable line officers that are following directly behind me and will be key to the continued upward movement of our fine traditions.

Congratulations to all the Masons honored at the Scottish Rite Awards ceremony held last Thursday evening. It was a special thrill for us to watch our own Br. Terry Wright be conducted to the East for his award by his father who came in from Michigan to be part of the event.

I would like to extend an invitation to all of our Brothers in the greater Rochester area to come out and visit O-AT-KA any 2nd and 4th Wednesday that they have free



We wish to extend a warm welcome to all the 1990 Masters, and hope that they will become active members in our group.

Our first meeting in 1991 will be held on January 25 at the Red Men's Party House, 1001 Lexington Avenue. Euchre and social hour begins at 6 P.M. and dinner is served at 7 P.M. The guest speaker that evening will be Dr. Louis S. Catapano, who will talk about chiropractic care.

All Past Masters are encouraged to attend. For reservations, more information, or to arrange a ride, call our Secretary, Wor. Robert F. Sanford at 292-6383.

and participate in some of the activities that are being held. Watch our trestleboard and attend when you can.

On January 23rd we will be having a First Degree for three candidates and on February 13 we will be having a guest speaker (Ted Honea) giving a talk about the Theories of Masonic Origins which promises to be very interesting and enlightening.

For those Brothers that feel that there is nothing new at Lodge and have not attended in a long time because of this notion should come out and see the new things that are happening. We had a very successful Chicken Bar-B-Q in October and we have another one planned for the Spring along with a car show. We will be finishing the fellowcraft room early in 1991 and we have a beautiful old slate pool table that will be waiting for challenging games to be played. A new color TV to watch and space to relax and make new friends and renew old acquaintances.

I would like to thank our Treasurer for the many long hours spent researching and reporting the financial condition of the Lodge. Due to his efforts and the efforts of the members of the financial committee, I believe that we have turned the corner and are now poised to move onward with a solid financial foundation.

Remember..The Lodge exists for YOU. My father told me when I joined that you get out of Masonry what you put in to it. I agree with this saying with all my heart and so do the rest of the officers and the regular attendees. We believe that our Lodge is the "FUN" Lodge and we encourage all our members and friends from other Lodges to come out and enjoy some of what Masonry is all about...

Friendship and Brotherly Love.
Fraternally,
Jim Scheerens
Master

TRESTLEBOARD

January 9
7:30 pm - Open Meeting-plan for 1991

January 23
7:30 pm - First Degree (TUX)

February 13
7:30 pm - Masonic History Night - (Guest Speaker)

February 27
7:30 pm - Second Degree (TUX)

March 13
7:30 pm - Travel Night - S.
Dansville Lodge

March 27
7:30 pm - Third Degree (TUX)

CLIO**LODGE No. 779**Arthur R. Harmer, Master
392-8402
Charles A. Tucker, Secretary
392-20061st & 3rd Tuesdays
7:30 P.M.287 East Ave.
Hilton, N.Y. 14468

Brethren, it becomes my sad duty to report the passing of one of our more prominent members, R.W. & Rev. I. Vincent Lloyd, on October 30, 1990. R.W. Vince was raised in Clio Lodge in 1940. Proceeding through the line he became our Master in 1948. He became Grand Chaplain of The Grand Lodge of the State of New York in 1958, a position he held until 1975, when he became Chaplain Emeritus of our Grand Lodge. He was Coroneted a 33 Degree Mason on September 24, 1975. Vince was also Pastor Emeritus of the Hilton Baptist Church. During his tenure as a Pastor in Hilton, which commenced in 1938, he became a friend and counselor to many townspeople, regardless of religious affiliation. Our sincere sympathy to his wife Ruth and family. He leaves a true void in Lodge as well as his hometown.

It has been reported just prior to this writing that Bro. Bernie LaDue was placed in intensive care at Park Ridge hospital with a heart problem. Also, W. Bro. Harlan Morse with the same condition. W. Harlan is confined to Wyoming Community Hospital in Warsaw, NY. No further details are presently available.

Our Lodge program was enthusiastically received on November 6th, when Professor Korne, P.H.D. entertained in conjunction with our Veteran's Day communication. Many members wore bits and pieces of their former military attire. One "show-off," Br. Doug Harris, got into the whole uniform. That's what I call staying in shape. For others, some old

snapshots from respective eras, had to suffice. Professor Korne offered prayers for our departed military comrades and the troops involved in the current campaign labeled Operation Desert Shield. He concluded the program with a brief presentation of his magical talents. For the uninformed, Professor Korne just happens to have a strong resemblance to W. Harold Bollotin. Thanks to Br. Harold for an entertaining evening.

My year seems to be very shortly coming to a close. It's hard to believe it has so rapidly advanced. It has been a good year for me. Many of our Lodge and community projects have been accomplished. This goal has been made a reality only through the cooperation of my officers and the other members of Clio Lodge. Never can a Master make any inroads on his own. My sincere thanks to each and every one of you.

Brother Charlie Tucker was presented the Scottish Rite service award on Thursday evening December 6, 1990. This award was made on behalf of Charlie's work and dedication to our Lodge. It was my pleasure to escort him to the East to receive this honor. His lovely wife Ruth was also in attendance. Congratulations!

After this issue of the News, future Lodge activities will be planned by our incoming Master. Please make it a point to afford him the same type of cooperation you have given me.

Assuming this publication reaches you in time, it is my wish that each and every one of you, together with your loved ones, enjoy a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy, and Prosperous New Year.

Fraternally,
W. Art Harmer
Master

TRESTLEBOARD

January 1
New Years Day - No communication per option of our bylaws
January 15
Installation of 1991 Officers.
Lodge opens at 7:30 P.M.

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The Group will continue to meet at the Maplewood Inn, 9:00 a.m. on the first Tuesday of each Month.

Bring your resume, Tools, and we will see you there.

Order of the Eastern Star.**Hi-Lights
Monroe District**

R.W. James E. Comstock

The attendance at the reception of the Elected and Appointed Grand Officers was very reassuring and gratifying to those individuals. It should bode well for a very successful 1991.

R.W. Wanda V. Williams spent several days in early December at the Eastern Star home in Oriskany helping with the preparations for the residents Christmas Party. This party is an annual event, hosted by the Grand line. It is a high point for our Sisters at the home each year, thoroughly en-

**NOLA Chapter
No. 368**

1st & 3rd Tuesdays
8:00 p.m.
20 South Main St.
Churchville, N.Y. 14428

**A
Happy
New Year**

Dear Members,
"Let us scatter seeds of sunshine"

Of friendship, love and cheer,
And ours will be what we all wish,

A "Happy, Bright New Year!"
We will have an open Installation on Jan. 15, 1991. Our new Matron will be the last of our Drake Sisters, S. Susan Drake and her W.P. will be R.W. Wm. Baxter.

The Chapter send their sympathy to the family of S. Marion Beardsley. Her membership of 62 years cannot go by without truly being missed.

As I write this it is more like Spring, so we hope we will not have more colds and flu. A get-well-wish is sent to B. Stewart Dick in Florida who has had eye surgery and hope that W. Merle Drake is better after having a heart problem.

S. Katherine Skelton has been our Floral Staff Chairperson and has done a great job. We thank her and let her know when you know of a member that we should remember.

The Chapter has started to do their share in helping our boys in the Desert Shield operation.

We had a wonderful turn out at our Christmas party. It was so good to see so many of our members who can't make the stairs or don't go out at night.

It was nice to hear from so many of our members who wrote at Christmas time and that live out of town.

"When you can't sleep, don't count sheep... talk to the Shepherd."

Fraternally,
W. Avis Theis

joyed by them.

R.W. Donna L. Laundry has scheduled the organizational meeting of her Clubs. They will be held at her home with the following order: Matrons-Jan. 6, Assoc. Matrons-Jan. 13th, Conductresses and Assoc. Conductresses-Jan. 20th. All officers are urged to attend. These meetings help to strengthen your Chapters and make your year more enjoyable and successful.

R.W. Donna's Official Visits will begin on February 4th at Irondequoit and February 5th at Fairport.

R.W. Donald Freeman has announced that he will hold a School of Instruction at Charlotte Temple on Saturday, January 26th. Attendance at this school is especially beneficial to all line officers, whether or not you have held your office previously. Changes in ritual or ceremony are defined at this school, so the District can conform as a whole with complete understanding. Let's show support for our District Officers with a good showing!!

The installation of officers will be the highlight of Chapter meetings in January. Each of our Matrons would be delighted to have visitors on her special night. Visiting other Chapters is one of the most enjoyable aspects of our fraternity. Let's get to know our neighbors in 1991. Get out and visit!

The "Peach Express" is continuing to "chug" along. Your Chapters will have news of their progress. Your help in selling not only within your Chapters, but also in the community is solicited. Let's let everyone know that we have a Grand Line Officer and of the many charities that we support throughout the State.

Visiting neighboring Chapters and Districts and Community involvement will help us "Grow in Monroe".

**Rochester
Chapter 314
O.E.S.**

W. Carol Haskins, Matron
First and Third Saturday

8:00 P.M. Room A
Masonic Temple
875 Main Street East
Rochester, New York 14605

Dear Sisters and Brothers,
Hope your holidays were the very best.

By the time the Masonic News is delivered to you, I will have been installed as the Matron of Rochester Chapter #314, with W. Larry Geith as my Patron. I am hoping for a very enjoyable year, as I'm sure it will be.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who took offices this year. Your enthusiasm will make my job a lot easier. "Thank You."

Don't forget January 19, is our next meeting. I'm hoping some of the members who haven't been to meetings in awhile will join us. It would be nice to meet some of you, or to renew acquaintances again.

On January 20th, Rochester Chapter is having a Holiday Gathering. The time is 3:00 PM gathering and dinner at 5:00 PM. It will be held at George and Sharon's home, 250 Colin Street. Reservations are requested. Please call George or Sharon at 621-3319, or myself at 594-8977. Electra Club is providing ham and rolls. Bring a dish to pass, and cold drinks if you wish.

Our Official Visit will be April 6th. Please come and join us!

The Ways and Means meeting will be on January 16th, at 7:30 PM at my home. Call me at 594-8977 for directions.

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Masonic Grand Lodge

Of the State of New York

Drug / Alcohol Abuse Committee

Monroe Districts Chairmen

Brethren:

I sincerely wish that you have a wonderful New Year and that 1991 is good to all the Craft in whatever activities they may undertake. I especially hope that you will rally behind the Grand Lodge Drug and Alcohol Abuse Committee to become involved in the activities which are planned for the remaining part of the year. Last month we listed activities with the Pilot Poster Programs in the Greece and Henrietta School Districts. We will be actively working those projects to plan and execute the pilots during the Spring season.

Brother Norman E. Wright from Clio Lodge #779, responded to our December article with a letter citing another Brother, George Hutler, who is the founder and Director of Program Development at the Hutler-Doyle Memorial Institute, an outpatient treatment center in Webster, NY. Let me quote from the letter, the kind words from Brother Wright in the following paragraphs.

"George Hutler, is a member of Seneca Lodge #797, F&AM; a Scottish Rite Mason, and a member in good standing with Damascus Temple. In addition to his Masonic affiliations, George has been well known in the local alcoholism and drug treatment community for 15 years or more. He pioneered drug treatment services for adolescents in this area and was the first person locally to offer the 'Minnesota model' of family intervention developed by the Rev. Vernon Johnson. Brother Hutler was also instrumental in pioneering family treatment in this area. A former businessman and industrialist, he also has been involved with helping many concerns in organizing and implementing Employee Assistance Programs for 'troubled' employees.

In the Spring of 1977 George was invited to participate in 'Operation Understanding II' in San Diego, California by the National Council on Alcoholism. It was there, while participating in this 'Challenge to Stigma', that he spent two days and evenings 'rubbing elbows' with celebrities from the entertainment world, all recovering from the disease of alcoholism. Several of these people subsequently appeared in Rochester at George's invitation to help promote the treatment center which he founded later that year. In addition to his work as Director of the Program Development at the Agency, George speaks at schools, churches and other functions and still finds time to do what he loves most -- working with teenagers and facilitating family interventions".

These certainly are very kind words from Brother Wright about another Mason, Brother Hutler who is quite active in the treatment of Drug and Alcohol Abuse. It is with particular pride that I pass along this information to all the Brethren to know the "Good Works" that one Mason is doing for these unfortunate individuals. We need to rally and follow their lead in this area to help reduce this

METROPOLITAN ROCHESTER

Police and Fire



SQUARE CLUB

Brethren:

Election of officers, Wednesday, January 23, 1991, at the Maplewood Inn, 3500 East Avenue. Dutch treat. Happy hour 6:30, Dinner 7:00.

We need a member to be Marshal, and start through line, leading to Vice President, and then President. Only three years are involved, and very little work. Please contact me before the above date if you are interested. (865-0046). This is your club, and it is up to you out there to keep it going.

Operation Desert Shield: It is my feeling that the Club should get involved in the Outreach going to our service men and women who are in service to our country, in Operation Desert Shield. We all have seen other conflicts and wars in the past. The Club will purchase a couple of games from our special project fund, and I request that you donate what you can (no food, please) and drop it off at my home, 67 Pomona Dr. I will make the shipping arrangements. Let's show what we can do, along with Masons everywhere. Suggestions are: writing paper, pencils, pens,

devastating social problem which has been created and fostered in our country. Help not necessarily in the treatment of this horrid disease but in the prevention and assistance/support area. Get involved and benefit someone other than ourselves to help cement that Friendship and Brotherly Love to all mankind.

Fraternally,
Ted L. Diehl
Committee Chairmen
Drug and Alcohol

playing cards, men's and women's staples, books, white athletic socks, suntan lotion, razors and blades, magazines, etc.

Good & Welfare: I talked with Life Member, Frank Reddy, and he is home and doing well. I am sorry to report that Life Member, Ed VanOrdier is in Genesee Hospital, Room 467 at this time, and is in very poor health. Let's get some cards of cheer out to him, at 188 Charlotte St., Rochester, NY 14607.

It is with deep regret that I must report Raymond C. Vaisey has been called home by the Supreme Architect. He was a member for eight years, and retired from the Brighton Police Auxiliary, and Eastman Kodak. His Lodge was Ancient Craft #943, and he was also a member of Damascus Temple, and played in the Damascus Temple Pipe Band. A donation will be made in his name from the Special Project Fund to the Shriners Crippled Children Fund.

Check your smoke detectors, they save precious lives!

Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year!

Fraternally,
Dean F. Marsaw
Executive Secretary

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Of the State of New York

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WHEN A VETERAN DIES

Burial rights are among The least known and Misunderstood veterans' BENEFITS

By Ken Scharnberg

Only 10 percent of all eligible veterans take advantage of VA's state and national burial benefits, according to National Cemetery System (NCS) statistics.

"Veterans' burial benefits have been earned by virtue of their service to their country," said Jo Ann K. Webb, Director of the National Cemetery System. "We believe one of the reasons more veterans do not take advantage of their right to burial is because they are not members of veterans organizations and are unaware of the rights they possess."

Admittedly, burial benefits aren't among typical topics of conversation. However, your interment is something you should consider. There may be a few things concerning your benefits you may not know, or might have forgotten.

The American Legion, at the 1989 National Convention, passed Res. 321, which supports a burial allowance of no less than \$400. In addition, the Legion supports additional cemeteries, contract burial for poor veterans, and funding for the construction of columbaria, structures for housing cremated remains, and mausoleums wherever possible within existing national cemeteries.

"We want to assure veterans of The American Legion's ongoing support for their right to a decent, dignified burial. It's the last tribute we can pay to those who wore the uniform of their country," said Bob Legan, chairman of the Legion's National Cemetery Committee.

Currently, there are 113 national cemeteries and 41 state cemeteries. Three states - Idaho, North Dakota and New Hampshire - have neither a state nor national interment site. North Dakota is planning a cemetery at Ft. Lincoln near Bismarck, but this cemetery will inter only career

- Harold BOLLOTIN
Valley Lodge
- Sylvia BOLLOTIN
Mason's Lady
- Paul ROBERTSON
John Robertson Lodge
- Doris ROBERTSON
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- Harry RANK
Fairport Lodge
- Milton LOWE
Valley Lodge

It was a rewarding activity and a good time was had by all.

On Sunday, December 23, 1990, the annual Holiday/Christmas party and gift distribution will be held at the hospital. Gifts and refreshments will be provided for each and every Veteran Patient. Anyone is welcome to participate in this very worthwhile service activity and to join Masonic Volunteer Group on this date. We welcome anyone: Masons, Ladies, Non-Masons, Veterans, Non-Veterans and Friends.

For further information, or if you would like to join us, telephone R.W. Tom PAGLIA at 227-2046. He will be very happy to hear from you.

National Guard members and is financed solely by state funds.

Why aren't veterans taking advantage of their burial rights? "In addition to not being aware of the scope of their rights for VA burial," said Jo Schuda, of NCS's public affairs, "another objection seems to include the distance. Statistically, most people want to be buried within 75 miles of their home."

Who's qualified for burial in a national cemetery? Any honorably discharged veteran is eligible for burial in a state or national cemetery. The VA supplies a plot, maintenance, a graveliner where required by law, a headstone or marker, a flag to be draped over the coffin, and later presented to the family, and a Presidential Memorial Certificate signed by the President, recognizing the veteran's military service. One widely misunderstood benefit is the right for a veteran's spouse to burial in a state or national cemetery. Husbands and wives, and in some instances, unmarried dependent children, may be buried in the same plot.

The demand for state and national cemetery gravesites is expected to climb as the veteran population ages. Each year, about 60,000 veterans are buried in state and national cemeteries. According to Webb, there is still adequate space to handle the expected increase in burial requests.

What's not covered by your burial benefits? Transportation to the gravesite, the casket, the cost of the service and a military honor guard are not paid for under the current program, nor can a veteran reserve his or her gravesite. Although some national cemeteries are now closed to new burials, NCS officials said most closed facilities will accept the cremated remains of veterans.

The VA offers benefits for veterans who choose to be buried privately. This includes a cash payment of \$85 to purchase a headstone or marker. The VA also offers, in lieu of the \$85, a marker or headstone for a veteran's unmarked grave whose remains were not recovered, or for other reasons, remains unburied anywhere in the world. Dependents receive markers only if they are buried in a national or state cemetery. For specific information, contact your nearest VA regional office or a reputable funeral director.

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Answers to Questions Masonic Quiz

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Question	Answer
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8	C
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Grand Lodge Veterans Service Committee



Chris Starr
Deputy Representative

A merry and blessed season greetings from Veterans Service to all Brother Masons, and especially those who have served their country faithfully in the past, and those who are now serving in the little affair Uncle Sam is having across the world in the desert. Some information from the Medical Center in Canandaigua you might be interested in: Douglas Tuttle has been appointed Rehabilitation Medicine Service Coordinator at the Center, and he will be responsible for supervising

28 employees and managing the kinesiotherapy, physical therapy, occupational therapy, compensated work therapy, incentive work therapy, speech pathology and audiology, and vocational rehabilitation services! A big job to handle and many hats to wear, Doug. Good luck in your new appointment! Prior, Mr. Tuttle was the Supervisor of Kinesiotherapy from 1984 to 1990, and a kinesiologist from 1975 to 1984. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in kinesiotherapy from Boston University in 1975.

BVL/Ebonite Corporation has donated handle grip bowling balls to the Medical Center, and on November 2nd a seminar was held with Ebonite representatives there to show how the new bowling balls work through explanation and demonstration. Special bowler Earl Anthony was there to greet patients and pass out autographed photos. The special bowling balls donated are of special value as they are adaptable to use with wheelchairs and otherwise restricted patients. With over 700 inpatients, the adaptable balls will enable handicapped patients to enjoy the recreational therapeutic exercise bowling can bring.

Veterans Day was observed at the Medical Center on November 11th in the Auditorium. Guest Speaker, Griffith Winthrop, was present, and the presentation and retirement of colors was by the Vietnam Veterans of America, Ontario Chapter. The Naples Quartet provided entertainment and there were refreshments. The public was invited to attend. Mr.

Winthrop is a retired United States Navy Lieutenant Commander, and during his 20 year military career, he was at sea for 12 years and commanded seven ships, including two destroyer escorts. He is a graduate of Canandaigua Academy and Harvard University, and presently practices law in the City of Canandaigua.

Deer hunters: Remember "Deer hides for vets"! Donate your hide (I mean the deer's) to volunteer service where they will be tanned and sent to Veterans Hospitals throughout the State of New York, for their leather craft and therapy programs. A donor certificate will be issued for each hide in the amount of \$35. For more information, call Voluntary Service at (716) 396-3645.

Remember those faithful men who helped fight for our freedom and now need you. I am asking for you to offer yourself for one single, short day at this holiday season and every month, I ask you to come with us, with your family, and break bread with us at breakfast at the Masonic Lodge in Canandaigua. The veterans need you to volunteer. Your Grand Lodge Veterans Service needs you to volunteer. Please think about how much a very small portion of your time is needed by a hospitalized veteran, how much that small amount of time means to them, and then call me to volunteer now!

On December 4th, our volunteers helped to wrap holiday gifts for the patients, and on December 23rd, we participated in the annual holiday party, when we visited the wards, gave out the holiday gifts, passed out refreshments, and sang carols to the patients. This was the special time that we, as Masons, had a show of strength and support for Grand Lodge Veterans Service. We all had a wonderful time together, all volunteers joining us in this special happy occasion in which volunteers of different faiths come together for the holiday season to make it a bit brighter for the patients.

Again, I would like to remind you that speakers are available from the Medical Center in Canandaigua, on a wide range of subjects concerning Veterans Service, specially tailored for your program or meeting! If you would like a professional, interesting presentation, please call me. And, please, give a little of your precious time to those who have given so much of theirs for you! Grand Lodge Veterans Service needs you to volunteer at the Canandaigua Medical Center! Volunteering is easy! It involves a monthly pilgrimage to the center with other Masonic Brothers and their wives, and starts with an "all you can eat" fantastic breakfast for \$3 at the Masonic Temple at Canandaigua, followed by our group going together to the Medical Center to cheer up our special veterans. We would certainly appreciate your call to join us, and will welcome you with open arms. Call me at (716) 454-1598 (leave message).

By Wor. Harold Bollotin

On Tuesday, December 4, 1990, under the Chairmanship of R.W. Tom Paglia, 13 Masonic Volunteers and Ladies spent the entire morning, in conjunction with other Volunteer Organizations, in a gift wrapping session held at the Canandaigua VA Medical Center.

Those who participated are:
Tom PAGLIA
Charlotte-Corinthian Lodge
Cora PAGLIA
Mason's Lady

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A Plea From!
Grand Lodge
 State of New York

Will you help
Save the Life
Of Tim Booth?

Tim has Leukemia. He underwent a bone marrow transplant at Memorial Sloane Kettering Hospital on October 11th in New York City. Now, Tim needs blood if he is to survive. No amount of money can buy the amount of blood that Tim needs -- people have to donate it.

New York State Masons are calling on Masonic brothers and sympathetic friends to donate blood for Tim.

Though Tim lives north of Albany in Greenwich, New York, you can donate blood at any blood center or hospital near to you. Simply tell the center that you are giving blood in the name of Timothy M. Booth at Sloane Kettering in N.Y.C.

Blood type is not a problem. Tim will be credited with the donation, and matching blood will be given to him. He needs your help. He needs your blood.

Tim is 40 years old. He has a wife Pamela, and three young children. If anyone wants further information, the Masons suggest you contact the Masonic Blood Donor Chairman in a local Lodge, at the District level or Program personnel in N.Y.C. at (212)741-4500.

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Masonic Activities
1991

By R..W.. John Dense,
 Please submit any dates for events ; Call 288-2990

- Jan. 11 Philaethes Society Annual Feast
 Jan. 12 Grand Master's Meeting-Sarasota, Fl., Sahib Shrine Temple
 Jan. 13 Grand Master's Meeting - Ft. Lauderdale, Fl. Doric Lodge
 Jan. 15-25 34th Annual Empire State Mason Cruise
 Jan. 23 Metropolitan Rochester Police/Fire Square Club, Election of Officers @ Maplewood Inn
 Jan. 25 Past Master's Supper Club
 Jan. 26 Masters and Wardens
 Jan. 29 Entry Level Orientation-Masonic Education
 Jan. 31 Purple Club
 Feb. 1 - 13 Have-a-Heart - Buy-a-Heart Campaign
 Feb. 9 Fellowship Committee Euchre Tournament
 Feb. 22 Past Master's Supper Club
 Feb. 23 Widows' Luncheon - Logans Masters and Wardens
 Mar. 1 Continuing Education Course-Bureau of Masonic Education
 Mar. 8 Purple Club
 Mar. 13-14 Shrine Circus
 Mar. 22 Past Master's Supper Club
 Mar. 23 Masonic Grand Ball
 Mar. 24 Feast of The Paschal Lamb
 April 13 Fellowship Committee Hockey Night
 April 18-20 Fellowship Committee Bus Trip to Utica
 April 26 Scottish Rite Reunion
 April 27 Past Masters Supper Club
 Metropolitan Rochester Police/Fire Square Club, Ladies Night @ BOSDYK'S
 Masters and Wardens
 April 30 Philaethes Society - Bring a friend Night
 May 4 Scottish Rite Reunion Banquet
 May 6-7 Grand Lodge-New York City
 May 17 Past Masters Supper Club
 May 18 Masters and Wardens
 May 23 Retiring Grand Lodge Officers Dinner

- June 8 Philaethes Society Breakfast
 June 14-15 Council of Deliberation
 June 15 Fellowship Committee Golf Tournament
 June 19 Purple Club
 June 21-23 St. John's Weekend - Utica
 June 29 Picnic at Camp DeMolay
 July 28 Past Masters Supper Club
 Aug. 23 Scottish Rite Outing
 Sept. 20-22 Annual Conclave of Grand Commandery Knights Templar
 Sept. 27 Past Masters Supper Club
 Sept. 28 Masters and Wardens
 Sept. 30 Purple Club
 Oct. 18 Scottish Rite Ladies Nite
 Oct. 25 Past Masters Supper Club
 Oct. 26 Masters and Wardens
 Nov. 7 Scottish Rite Family Night
 Nov. 21-23 Scottish Rite Fall Reunion
 Nov. 22 Past Masters Supper Club
 Nov. 23 Masters and Wardens
 Dec. 5 Scottish Rite Awards Nite

1991 Masonic
Widows Luncheon
Logan's Party House
February 23, 1991
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LUNCH AT NOON
Doors Open at 11:00
Tickets are Available from
Your Lodge Chairman



Calendar

January 1991

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Happy New Year	2	3 Hesperus=Installation Constellation (Perry)=Installation Northfield=Installation/Dinner Webster=Bring a Friend Night & Dinner	4	5 Webster=Public Installation
6	7 Shrine Lunch Club	8 Fame=Installation Towpath=Fellowcraft Henrietta=Meeting Flower City=Installation Monroe=Installation Charlotte-Corinthian=Installation	9 Churchville=Installation/Supper OATKA=Reg. Meeting	10 Northfield=Officer's meeting Webster=Fellowcraft	11	12
13	14 Fairport=Installation Craftsman=Fellowcraft Dinner Seneca=Installation/Dinner East Roch's. Ancient Craft=Installation/Dinner Etolian=Installation Shrine Lunch Club	15 Towpath=Installation Germania=Installation Henrietta=Fellowcraft/Dinner Craftsman=Reg. Meeting Clio=Installation Flower City=Fellowcraft	16	17 Constellation (Perry)=Stated Communication Northfield='91 Masters Visit, Program, Award Hesperus=Reg. meeting & Speaker	18 Monroe=BLOOD DRIVE Noon to 8 P.M.	19
20	21 John Robertson=Installation Fairport=Bring-Friend-Night East Roch's. Ancient Craft=Fellowcraft Shrine Lunch Club	22 Towpath=Officers Meeting Fame=Slide Show Charlotte-Corinthian=Program/Supper	23 Churchville=Open Monroe=Reg. meeting OATKA=First Degree (Tux)	24	25	26 Masters-Wardens
27	28 Fairport=Rededication Night East Roch's. Ancient Craft=Meeting/Program Etolian=Reg. Meeting Shrine Lunch Club	29	30	31		