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R.:. W.:., Rev. Paul Gleason President Of The Monroe Masonic Service Bureau

To Make Community Service Award Sunday Morning, May 19, 1991

On Sunday morning May 19, 1991, the 53rd Annual Interfaith Service and Breakfast will be held at the Masonic Temple at 875 Main Street East, Rochester, New York.

R. W. and Rev. Paul R. Gleason, President of the Masonic Service Bureau of Rochester, N.Y., Inc., will present the Community Service Award to Mrs. Martha Tack, well known Rochesterian who has performed Community services for people in all walks of life. President Paul Gleason said he is proud to present the award to this outstanding lady.



Mrs. Martha Tack

While George Bush looks and sees a "thousand points of light", Martha Tack looks and sees a thousand things to be done to help her community.

area almost as soon as she moved here in the late 50's. While raising three girls in Mendon, she was a Brownie Troop Leader, cofounder and president of a nursery school, neighborhood chairman for the Girl Scouts, and a member of both the recreation committee for the Town of Mendon and the Parent Teacher's Guild of Honeoye Falls. Martha was also active with the local AFS Chapter and Planned Parenthood.

As her children grew, so did Martha's list of volunteer activities. She was co-chairman of RPO's Children's Concerts, board member on the Women's Committee for the RPO, and an active volunteer for fourteen years for the annual WXXI Auction. Martha was an auction week chairman, and chairman of the Friends of WXXI also.

Four years ago, Martha and her husband, Dan, became interested in the idea of building a Ronald McDonald House in Rochester. Understanding the need to provide a "home away from home" for sick children and their families, Martha set to work as head of the furnishings com-

mittee to get donations of building materials as well as the endless list of interior furnishings needed to make the house a home. She has worked tirelessly Martha began her career of as volunteer and board member volunteer work in the Rochester of the House and is presently winding up her term as president.

In February, Martha's dedication and commitment was applauded at the Red Tie Gala for the Ronald McDonald House of Rochester. She was awarded the Crystal Heart Award, given by the House to an individual, business, organization or institution in recognition of an invaluable contribution to the mission of the Ronald McDonald House.

Martha's extensive volunteer work and selfless service to the community demonstrates that by reaching out you can help others control the quality within their own lives, and therein improve the quality of the community as a

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Masonic Service Bureau in Your Will:

53rd Annual Masonic Interfaith Service and Breakfast Sunday Morning May 19, 1991 Service 8:15 A.M.

Continental Breakfast 9:15 a.m.

M.: W.: Robert C. Singer, Speaker Presentation of the Community Service Award Continental Breakfast \$4 per person Tickets available from your Masonic Service Bureau Representative

For Our Youth Fairport Lodge 476 and the Town of Perinton Join In Easter Egg Hunt





Everybody was a winner at the March 16, 1991 Easter Egg Hunt held in the Town of Perinton, N.Y., The Lodge donated time and money to this worth-while event.

This community, effort sponsored by the parks and recreation department of Perinton, N.Y. and Fairport Lodge 476, was fun and pleasing to all who attended.

Six grand prize baskets and a dozen first prize rabbit toys were awarded when the hidden eggs were found.

Approximately 150 youth aged 1-8 years old were present with their "The Easter Rabbit" also talked to the children and passed out candy.

It was a great day.

Fraternally, John Lindsay, Master

What it's all about R.: W.: Tom. Paglia A Mason

R:W: Thomas Paglia was out and about during this past disaster helping Masons and non-Masons alike to restore and survive. He spent many hours of personal manual labor for those in need in a major attempt to bring a shred of civilization back to their disjointed lives. This man is not only a dynamo when it comes to being the Grand Lodge Representative to Veterans Service, but a welcome whirlwind of aid in emergencies. Howmany of us sat around and complained while Brothers like Tom Paglia showed the Masonry within and got up and took action when he was needed? Thank you Tom, for carrying the bright torch of positive Masonry before the public, and for caring about your fellow man.

Fraternally, W: Chris Starr, Master John A. Robertson Lodge #1032

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Two Monroe Districts Four Grand Lodge Officers Close their year in UNISON

"LEADING WITH IMPACT"

R..W.. Stephen R. Whittaker R.:W.: Paul W. Spillane



District Deputy Grand Master for the First Monroe District

R.W. Charles C. Spiegel, Jr.



R.:.W.:

Grand Steward Of the Grand Lodge Of New York

Grand Sword Bearer Of the Grand Lodge Of New York

The 1990-91 THOMAS TEAM of Grand Lodge Officers thanks all of the active members of our beloved fraternity for the many courtesies which have been shown to us as we have visited Lodges in both of our Monroe Districts.

The theme of this administration has been "LEADING WITH IMPACT". All elected Lodge officers were exposed to a new style, one that emphasized the need for proper planning and preparation in our Craft. We're pleased to report that some have done very well learning the basics of planning, organizing, developing, and controlling programs within our craft.

The members of the District Committees have attempted to complete their various task assignments. Several have done a very fine job and are to be highly commended.

While the THOMAS TEAM brought a "full plate of activities" to all the Lodges during this past year, most of you responded very well to the Grand Master's Programs. We know there are several that need to be redirected and work is being done on that.

Your interest in making new members is encouraging; it is only by these special efforts in holding "Bring A Friend" Nights and promoting our Craft that we stand a fair chance of surviving. Thank you for those special efforts.

We watched as Rochester Chapter, Order of DeMolay was again brought to new life. These young men need our support now more than ever. Can you find time to help?

The December "Third Degree-Fest" was innovative and a great inspiration. How about another one?

The Schools of Instruction have been very helpful and have exhibited a caring attitude that has helped us all. Special thanks to our two Assistant Grand Lecturers for their dedication and commitment during the last year. The Bureau of Masonic Education has continued to put together some excellent programs. We believe that there are none finer within the Empire State.

A special thanks to our wives (Ann, Elaine, Lula and Nancy) for their special care during the last year. It's a very special feeling to have their support while expending our labors during the last year.

There is still much to be done. It is noticeable that many Lodges are making a sincere effort to increase membership and improve their image within their communities.

A Salute to Volunteers

Rochester Moose Lodge No. 113 Hosts Dinner for Volunteers of the Ronald McDonald House

"The House that Love Built"



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A delicious dinner given to the people who volunteered in time or materials to "The House that Love Built", was generously donated by the Moose Lodge # 113, which is governed by Michael Stewart.

Live entertainment consisted of a delightful medley of songs by the Greece Notes directed by Shirley Larson and accompanied by Shirley Geier.

Among the numerous recipients during the Presentation of awards was The Greater Monroe County Masonic Lodges. The Masters' and Wardens' Association of Monroe County was there to accept a beautiful plaque awarded to the group for its outstanding collection and donation of over \$85,000 since the birth of the Have a Heart Buy a Heart Campaign.

The President of Masters' and Wardens', John Lindsay, in his remarks to the group, recognized those who helped implement the success of this campaign. Among those gratefully thanked were the many companies who donated materials 1) Hoffend Party Rentals 2) Canfield & Tack 3) Label World 4) C.L. Kanty Paper Box Corp. 5) Rochester Telephone. The campaign could not have been successful without the hundreds of volunteers, Masons and families who stationed themselves at the Malls. This plaque will be proudly displayed at the Masonic Service Bureau.

The guest speaker, Margaret Thirtle completed the evening with her inspiring comments of the fulfillment of being a volun-

Fraternally, John Lindsay President



Meets Every Monday 12:00 Noon 3rd Floor Dining Room Masonic Temple May Chairman; Percy Klingenberger

May 6, 1991 A Registered Dietician from Nutri Smart Inc.

Subject - Proper Eating LADIES LUNCH

May 13, 1991 Dennis O'Brien President of

Subject - ?? May 20, 1991

Henry McCartney Executive Director of Landmark Society Subject - Using Preservation in Rochester

May 27, 1991 NO MEETING

The officers of the lunch club would like to thank all who helped at our successful Circus.

Just a reminder that on May 6, the ladies are invited. Don't forget to mark your calendars on June 6, 1991 for our annual picnic at Braddock State Park. Tickets will be available at the May 13th meeting. We hope all you Nobles are rested up after the hard work from the Ice Storm, and will consider attending our meetings once again, We missed you for the past month.

Masters-Wardens Summer Picnic June 29, 1991 **Camp DeMolay**

Masters &

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Monroe Districts

By John Lindsay, President

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK

These are just a few of the words that I would like to express on the subject of the Grand Ball held at the Burgundy Basin Inn on March 23rd 1991. The Lodges that participated were quite enthusiastic in saying "What a great time we had." The excellent ser-

vice and delicious food also

deserves a hardy applause. The

key note speaker, Gabe Dalmath

of WHEC TV - 10 News

delivered a very impressive and timely message concerning

leadership. Gabe's wife Jean, appeared to enjoy herself, and

among her many comments she

was heard to remark "What a

good organization this is." The

twinkling toes of many couples

danced to the music of De'je Vu.

What a delightful band! Its

repertoire of songs fit the times

and resulted in the perfect finish

for the evening. Just remember the THANK YOU'S were for

your support.

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Retiring Grand Lodge Officers And Apron Presentation Dinner

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Friday, September 27, 1991

Dinner 7:00 p.m. **Prices to Be Announced**

1713 Lyell Avenue

Social Hour 6:00 p.m.

Forty-ninth Biennial Meeting of Masonic Relief Association of The United States and Canada To meet September 25 through 27 In Burlington, Ontario, Canada

President Eric Nancekivell has advised us that his committee has a full and rewarding schedule planned for the 49th biennial meeting to be held in Burlington, Ontario, September 25 through 27.

Registration will take place on the afternoon and evening of September 25, at the Venture Inn, Burlington, located on the shoreline of beautiful blue Lake Ontario. A Board of Directors Executive meeting is scheduled for 9:00 p.m.

A major highlight of the conference takes place on Thursday, September 26, with a bus tour of Niagara region and dinner in the rotating dinning room atop of the Skylon Tower at Niagara Falls.

While the delegates are attending to the business of the conference on Friday, September 27, their ladies can participate in a tour of Ontario's Mennonite District with plenty of opportunity to stroll, browse, and shop in the towns. The conference will close with the gala President's Banquet for all that evening.

Registration will take place on cated at the Western end of Lake Ontario about 35 miles west of Toronto and 60 miles northwest of Burlington, located on the

In the next issue of the Bulletin, we will be publishing the meeting schedule, and information about the area, of particular interest to those who may be staying on after the meeting.

If, in the meantime, information is needed, contact Wayne Elgie, Convention Chairman, 2095 Edgebank Court, Burlington, Ontario, Canada L7M

Thanks to the BULLETIN of the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada, Ed.

About the Masonic Relief Association In the July 1986 in a first family of the Masonic mate member of the Masonic materials and the Masonic mat

In the July 1986 issue of The Bulletin, we printed these questions and answers. We have since had many requests to refer to them. As a result of these requests, we are again reprinting them.

QUESTION: What is the Masonic Relief Association?

ANSWER: It is an organization consisting of 140 Boards, Agencies, or Bureaus, engaging in day to day assistance to members of the Masonic Fraternity or their families.

QUESTION: What are the basic objectives of the Association?

ANSWER: To detect and expose individuals wrongfully preying upon the Fraternity, to coordinate and co-relate the various relief efforts, to promptly implement the administration or interjurisdictional relief, to organize and supervise requested Masonic Relief in times of local or national disaster, and to provide information and a forum for the individuals and groups serving the Craft in a relief capacity.

QUESTION: How is the Association supported?

ANSWER: It is supported by individual or group donations, and through the annual contributions received from United States and Canadian Grand Lodges.

QUESTION: Are all of the Grand Lodges contributing members?

ANSWER: Many Canadian, Grand Lodges are members and about 90% of the United States Grand Lodges are active participating members.

QUESTION: What seems to be the greatest area of activity?

ANSWER: U.S. and Canadian citizens are enjoying longer life spans and are traveling more. Therefore, there has been an acceleration of the needs of sojourning Masons and their families. Unfortunately, there has been a tremendous increase in illness, accidents, and other catastrophics while traveling. Due to the recent recession local requests for economic assistance have multiplied to a point equal to the depression years of the 1930's.

QUESTION: If I am traveling and encounter a hardship, will my assistance be contingent upon my Grand Lodge's membership in the organization? ANSWER: No. -- No legitimate member of the Masonic Fraternity or his family will ever be turned away.

You will receive the kind and courteous assistance that you are entitled to as a Master Mason.

QUESTION: What role does the Masonic Relief Association plan in major disasters?

ANSWER: The association is organized not only to implement financial assistance, but to call upon members of the fraternity to serve physically if need be. We have a computer file of 14,000 names, any of which can be called upon to serve, almost immediately.

QUESTION: If I need assistance either in my own state or while traveling, who do I contact to find out the localities of the various boards?

ANSWER: You may contact your local Lodge Secretary, or your Grand Lodge Secretary, or, write directly to M.W. Donald Krueger, Executive Secretary, 32613 Seidel Drive, Burlington, WI 53105. A book of THE LIST OF LODGES is published each

May 1st, by Pantagraph Printing Co., P.O. Box 1406, Bloomington, IL 61701. It also contains a list of all of the Masonic Boards of Relief, and can be purchased for \$6.00 per copy.

QUESTION: What do you see in the future for the organization?

ANSWER: Probably an ever increasing need to assist sojourning Masons and families, together with a continued need to provide various forms of professional help locally.

Thanks to the BULLETIN of the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada. Ed.

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Masonic Service Bureau

TO YOUR WILLS

Inter-Lodge Fellowship

There is going to be a tour of the Eastman House on Saturday, May 18th from 3 to 5 P.M. (See Advertisement). This tour will be more extensive than their usual tours.

Bureau of Assonic Education Monroe County

President:

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

&ecretary-Treasurer: W.: Donald Carlife

How many of you (Masters, Wardens, and other Officers who aspire to become Lodge leaders) have taken and completed the Grand Lodge Correspondence Masonic Leadership Course? Have you?

Mark your calendars and save this date:

Saturday, September 21, 1991 The Bureau of Masonic Education of Monroe County is pleased to offer this Leadership Course in one day! The overall course moderator will be R.W. George Peter. We plan to complete the full 10 lessons in one day. We will be charging a moderate registration fee which will include the course and lunch. The Bureau of Education will also subsidize the course fee to keep it as low as possible. We plan a full day, approximately 7 hours, in order to complete all lessons. Advance registration forms will be in the next issue of the Masonic News. WATCH FOR IT!

What a terrific way to take advantage of this concentrated method to complete the course, and especially those who have started it but didn't or couldn't finish for whatever reason. We have the Grand Lodge list of those who started, stopped plus completed the course. For those who have previously graduated, we will be calling on some of you to assist us by being a moderator in separate small group.

The G/L Western Region Seminar will be Saturday, October 26, 1991. We will again use MCC. We anticipate the same set up as used last year, and the Bureau of Masonic Education will assist with the coordination and registration.

Don't forget our "WISH LIST" to acquire audio/visual aid equipment to enhance our training purposes. A fund has been established and any monetary contribution would be most appreciated. In addition, if anyone has any of the following "WISH LIST" items they care to donate, we would be most happy to receive them, i.e.:

Overhead Projector Large Screen 35 MM Carousel Projector Large TV Monitor

Fraternally, Wayne Engbrecht President

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Hockey night was a success!!!

We had 42 people in attendance to see a good game. A special thank you to R.W. Larry Geith on a great job.

Golf tournament is scheduled

for June 15th. Get your entry forms in to Ian Buchanan.

Fraternally, Br. Ronald Hollander Inter-Lodge Secretary

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Inter-Lodge Fellowship
Eastman House Tour
Saturday May 18, 1991
3 to 5 P.M.

Adults/Students \$3.00 Children (5-12) \$1.50 All are welcome

Make reservations to: Inter-Lodge Representative or Gary Burke 865-4940 Walk in's are welcome

Masonic Interlodge Fellowship Annual Golf Tournament

Ladies' & Mens' Divisions

Saturday, June 15, 1991 Chili Country Club 760 Scottsville-Chili Road (Rt. 386) Scottsville, New York . . .889-9325

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- Free Golf Balls -

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Entries accompanied by Greens Fees must be in by June 10, Please! Tee off times will be assigned on first paid, first out basis, same as last year! Please! List your phone no. so I can call on your starting time. Requested by <u>Chill</u> - please arrive 15 minutes early to check in & get golf carts.

Golf Carts by reservations through me by June 10th if possible. Cost \$16.00 (2 persons)

Mail Your Reservations to: Interlodge Fellowship or Ian Buchanan 147 Holyoke Street #12 Rochester, New York 14615

Info. call Shorty (lan Buchanan) 865-2979 or at work

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P.S. Come one, come all, enjoy the fellowship of our fraternity; especially you wives or O.E.S. Ladies. We need your support. Women, neighbors and all friends are welcome. So come on out.



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DeWitt Clinton Award Presented to Mrs. Clara Hurley on Sunday April 7 By Monroe Lodge No. 173, Brockport

Mrs. Mary Lou Lee, and family presents Bible to Monroe Lodge, R.·W.· F. Jay McCullough gift presented by R.·W.· Steven Whittaker, 1990 Masters Presents Clock and Plaque in memory of W.·.Zack Lee

Monroe Lodge #173 held its Annual Spring Awards Ceremony at 2:00 pm, Sunday, April 7th, 1991, at the Brockport United Methodist Church. The Ceremony, EmCeed by R.W. Robert Rudman, was for the presentation of several honors including this year's DeWitt Clinton Award presented by R.W. Ron Mertens and received by Mrs. Clara Hurley.

This award, presented by Monroe Lodge #173 on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New York, recognized distinguished or outstanding community service by individuals whose actions exemplify a shared concern for the well-being of mankind and a belief in the worldwide Brotherhood of man.

As recipient of this award, Mrs. Hurley was recognized for her selflessness and total commitment to voluntary community service. In researching the nominees for this award, the committee repeatedly heard area leaders refer to Clara as "the perfect" example of what community service is about. Clara was also selected because much of what She has done in the community has gone unheralded. Most have little idea of how much of herself Mrs. Hurley has given to help give Brockport a reputation as a caring community.

R.W. Steve Whittaker surprised the Lodge with a special presenation for Outstanding Contributions to the Craft by Monroe member R.W. F. Jay McCullough. Although Bro. McCullough could not be present due to serious illness, R.W. Steve Whittaker, D.D.G.M. for the First Monroe District, presented the award, an American Flag Flown over the Capitol on July 4th, 1990, to Monroc's Worshipful Master Thomas Rauber. The Honor will be confered upon Bro. Mc-Cullough at a later time.

Two other very important presentations were included in the program. The first of these was a beautiful combination clock and plaque donated by the 1990 Masters and their wives in memory of W. Zack Austin Lee. Bro. Lee was serving as the Worshipful Master of Monroe Lodge #173 and a well loved member of the 1990 Master's Club at the time he was suddenly taken from us in a motorcycle accident on June 1, 1990. The Plaque was presented by W. Bruce Chilton on behalf of the '90 Masters and their wives. Several members of the Club were present when W. Thomas Rauber Master of Monroe Lodge, received the memorial for the Lodge.

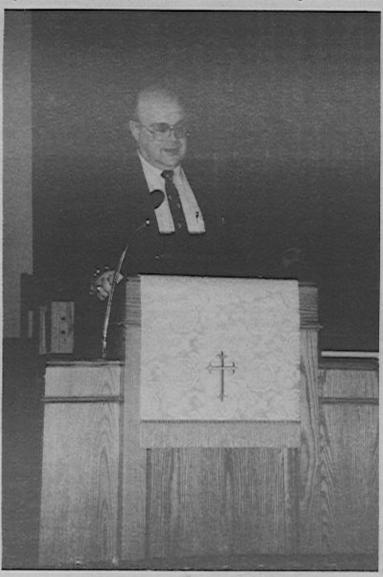
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Presented DeWitt Clinton Award



R.·.W.: Ronald D. Mertens (left) with W.: Thomas Rauber, (right) Master of Monroe Lodge No. 173, presents DeWitt Clinton Award to Mrs. Clara Hurley (center).

Speaker at Awards Ceremony



R.: W.: Ronald D. Mertens, Past Grand Junior Warden, delivers address at the Awards Ceremony.

A very special dedication was made by the widow and family of Bro. Lee on this occasion. Mrs. . Mary Lou Lee, surrounded by a large and caring group of family members, presented and dedicated a new Altar Bible to the Lodge in loving memory of Zack Austin Lee Sr. and Zack Austin Lee Jr. In the months preceding his death, it had been Zack and Mary Lou's plan to dedicate such a bible in memory of their son, Zack Jr. Following Zack's accident, Mary Lou determined that this wish should be carried out. R.W. Steve Whittaker received the Bible for the Lodge, thanking the family and recognizing the depth of meaning and impor-

tance inherent in this treasured gift. Mrs. Lee was escorted forward for the presentation by W. Jerry Werner.

The Lodge would like to thank those Brothers and friends who took time from their busy schedules to share these important hours and memories with the Lodge and the award recipients. Our thanks also go to Rev. Carpenter for his presence and words of benediction. Special thanks go to R.W. Ron Mertens and R.W. Steve Whittaker for their generous gifts of time and commitment to the craft. Their presence always lends a special note of love and dedication to any proceedings. also to Britler Homes Premis

Clock and Plaque Presented



(Right front) W.: Thomas Rauber, Master of Monroe Lodge No. 173 receives W. Zack Lee Memorial Clock and Plaque, (W. Zack Lee was Master of Monroe Lodge in 1990) from (left front) W. Bruce Chilton, 1990 Master of Webster Lodge No. 538 and President of the 1990 Masters Club. Members of the 1990 Masters Club and Their wives look

Flag Presented to Monroe Lodge



(Left) - W.·. Thomas Rauber, Master of Monroe Lodge No. 173, receives American Flag from (right) - R.·.W.: Steven A. Whittaker, District Deputy Grand Master for the First Monroe District. - A gift from R.·.W.·. F. Jay McCullough, 1990 District Deputy Grand Master for the First Monroe

Churchville Lodge No. 667

Donald F, Leisten, Master 352-1103 Earl C. Steffen, Secretary

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

20 South Main St. Churchville, N.Y. 14428

Brethren:

get my news article in last month's Masonic News. We have many things to blame on the Ice Storm and this is another. Being called back to the work force after being retired was a real experience. I had forgotten what those sixteen hour days at work were like.

The Widows Luncheon at the end of February was a huge success. We were honored to host five of our ladies who expressed their appreciation to the Lodge. Under sunny skies and warm weather we had a wonderful time.

The sympathy of the Lodge goes out to W. Bro. William Baxter and W. Bro. Andrew Baxter and their families. Ellen Sue Baxter, daughter and sister respectively passed away on March 8th. We are also saddened by the passing of Bro. Floyd Gridley on April 6th. Fifteen Brothers attended a Masonic service put on by Social

Lodge of Kendall and the sympathy of the Lodge was extended to his family. Floyd was Senior Warden in 1990 and stepped out of line due to his illness.

To those who have not paid their dues for 1991 please check that pile of mail. I'm sure you will find a request from our Secretary hidden some place. The Lodge does not run by itself and constantly sending out due notices is getting expensive. Get that check off to your Secretary today.

On May 8th we will have Past I'm sorry that I was unable to Masters Nite. It will be proceeded by a hot dog roast starting at 6 p.m. The cost will be your paid up due card. Past Masters will fill all the chairs and the business will be carried out by the Master. I'm sure were going to have a good evening so try to make this event.

On May 22nd we will be having a Third Degree. The First section will be followed by dinner put on by Nola Chapter. Please plan to attend and welcome our newly raised Brother to the

Fraternally, Donald F. Leisten

I RESTLEBOARD

May 8 Past Masters Nite May 19 Masonic Breakfast & Interfaith Service May 22 Third Degree Lodge visit. There will be a



Dear Brethren,

There are many enjoyable moments in being Master of a Lodge, and they more than offset the occasional difficulties of redrawing a schedule or finishing the paperwork. A continuing source of pleasure to me has been to see our more senior Brothers come to our Lodge home in Pittsford and to have them share with us their experiences and Masonic memories. Each of us is enriched by their presence. I do hope that every Towpath Brother who reads this column is convinced of the sincerity with which we welcome them into our Lodge rooms and of our desire to hear from those who cannot attend Lodge. A note to Brother Larry or me is a good way to keep us up on news of you.

I would like to commend Brother Ray Kneppar and his team for putting on the first Degree in March. Brother Ray is one of those people who works hard at whatever he does and is a good worker for our Lodge. Special thanks to W. Brother Herb Hirsch for giving the historical

I am pleased with our "Bring A Friend" program. Putting it together was one of the best times we have had so far as Towpath members. How the world sees us as Masons has a lot to do with how we see ourselves. Though we are Masons for different reasons, our common commitment to friendship, morality, and brotherly love is common ground enough to weld us into that universal mass. For those who missed the April "Bring A Friend" program, Brother Andy Paterson will be having that program again on November 12.

When I visit Grand Lodge in the first week in May, Brother Andy Paterson will be in the East and the other officers in different stations and places. I recall the occasion for myself and ask each of you to give the Brothers your support.

May will be an exciting month in our Lodge year. Grand Lodge starts the month. On May 19th, the Interfaith Breakfast will be held at the downtown Temple. Brothers who need tickets should see Brother Larry or me. I encourage each to attend as this is one of the most important events in our Masonic calendar.

On the 21st, we will have a special Lodge dinner and program. W. Delmar Morris and members from Eureka Lodge (PHM) will be presenting "The History of Eureka Lodge". This promises to be an interesting and unique program.

Brother Bill Zufall has set up a good program for our Canadian Lodge visit. There will be a

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reception on Friday evening; on Saturday we will have a luncheon and Lodge activity for our Masonic visitors and a Ladies night at Shadow Lake CC. Sunday we will gather for a departure brunch at the Lodge. The entire weekend has been set up so that we can have the participation of our families as well.

Brother Ray asks me to send thanks to each of you who has returned the Brotherhood Fund donation card. Your support helps make Masonry strong in New York State, and provides for the relief of our Brethren. Keep up the good work.

Last month's Masonic News featured a challenge from W. Keith Stambach (Charlotte-Corinthian Lodge) to the Master of Towpath Lodge (me) to compete in the Interlodge Golf Tournament on June 15. Sounds good to me! Let's talk.

In closing, let me urge all Brothers to attend our May meetings. 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 Trestleboard May 4-7 Grand Lodge May 7 Regular meeting 7:30 pm Move-up night (Andy Paterson) May 14 Felloweraft Club 7:30 pm May 18 M&W Oatka-Scottsville May 19 Interfaith breakfast May 21 Dinner 6:30 pm Program: "History of Eureka Lodge" W. Delmar Morris May 24-26 Canada Lodge Visit Arrival/Reception Pillsford 7:30 pm May 25 Luncheon 11:00 am Pittsford Temple Lodge Program 12:30 Ladies Night 6:30 pm Shadow Lake May 26 Departure Brunch 11:30 am Pittsford Temple Fellowcraft picnic 6:00 pm Regular meeting 7:30 pm Speaker: W. Richard Friedman June 8 Philalethes Breakfast June 11 Fellowcraft Club 7:30 pm Planning: Summer pienie Interlodge Golf Tournament Masters & Wardens Picnic

Camp DeMolay

Towpath Summer Picnic

Rand Lodge: Powder Mills Pk.

July 14

Wakan-Hubbard Lodge 154



John N. Irvine 621-1850

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

Frank P. Denton, Secretary 467-4619 Masonic Temple 1822 Penfield Rd. Penfield, N.Y.-14526

Congratulations are in order for Brother Horace L. Freeman who was presented with his D.S.A. Apron by R. . W .: Stephen R. Whittaker, D.D.G.M. of the First Monroe District, assisted by R.:. W .: Charles C. Spiegel, Jr., Grand Steward. Brother Horace has been a staunch member for many years, and as Marshal, has conducted a good number of our members through the various degrees in a very efficient and capable manner. Well done, Horace, our congratulations on receiving this coveted and well deserved award.

I received a communication from Grand Lodge, notifying me that R. .. W... Paul J. Rogers has now been accredited Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Missouri near the Grand Lodge of New York. The presentation will be made as soon as all arrangements are completed. Congratulations Paul, it is an honor for the Lodge to have another Grand Lodge Officer in its

Officer Ceferino Gonzalez of the Rochester Police Drug and Alcohol Unit was the recipient of the DeWitt Clinton Award on behalf of the Department. He recently gave a talk to our members on the subject. This was a very enlightening program and is being extensively used in area schools to teach pupils the dangers of using illegal drugs. Grand Lodge advocates that each lodge put on one of these programs during the year. Officer Gonzalez and his wife were our guests at the annual Ladies Night Dinner and Dance.

Once again, our annual Ladies Night was held at Three Acres Party House. In the afternoon we had lunch, tastefully prepared by Brother Len Latta (Steward) and his helpers. A large contingent from our sister lodge--Coronation Lodge, Weston, Ontario, Canada-of twentythree couples thoroughly enjoyed the hospitality and, along with ten couples from Saint Andrews Lodge, St. Catherines, Canada, and our members had another memorable get together at the Dinner-Dance. After a splendid brunch on Sunday, and more shopping, they re-traced their steps north with weary legs and happy hearts. Our thanks to Junior Warden Andrew Young and Senior Warden Wayne McCrossen for an excellent job with all the ar-

An excellent talk by Carm Cappon of the American Heart Association was given after the dinner at our first meeting in April. It really gave the audience an in depth look at the dangers of Heart Disease brought on by smoking, high cholesterol, etc. I'M sure that everyone took note of the dangers that were pointed out. After the meeting, the annual Easter Parade took place with Mrs. Wayne Slack taking the top honors (again).

Hope to see you all in lodge. Fraternally, W...John N. Irvine

News and Views

By Don Bell Another American Citizen

Congratulations to Mrs. Edda Tijou, Wife of our R. . W .. A. John Tijou, for passing her U.S. Citizenship examination. Congratulations also to Brother Horace Freeman

Brother Horace L. Freeman, of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge 154 Receives Dedicated Service Award



(From left to right)- R.: W .: Charles C. Spiegel, Jr. Grand Steward of the Grand Lodge of New York; Mrs. Alice Freeman; Brother Horace Freeman, DSA; R.·W.: Stephen A. Whittaker, District Deputy Grand Master for the First Monroe District; W.: John N. Irvine, Master of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge No. 154.

We offer our heartiest congratulations to brother Horace for a well deserved award.

upon receiving his DSA Apron in an impressive ceremony at Wakan-Hubbard Lodge. Congratulations to R.·.W.. Paul J. Rogers on being accredited by Grand Lodge as the Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Missouri near the Grand Lodge of New York.

Brother Charles Stidd had quintuple bypass surgery and is now home recuperating. W... Tom Cocking had a heart attack and is also home recuperating. W.: Joe Dimino, DSA, is again back home recuperating after a short hospital stay. W .. Theodore Theodor suffered a stroke, and Brother Ray Taylor, Jr. is in Strong Memorial Hospital with a heart condition.

Mrs. Sylvia Andrews, Wife of Our Past Master W.: Less Andrews, had surgery and is now home recuperating. W.: George Horrocks has had surgery at Rochester General, and we hope recovering satisfactorily. W... Norm Dunn is at home recovering from a "Bo Jackson hip". Brother Jim Ashford, fatherin-law of W. . John Lawrence, DSA, has had a partial hip replacement, and is doing well. Brother Irving Bridge gets around in a wheelchair, and is undergoing therapy at Monroe Community Hospital. W.: Gary Langdon is in the hospital; His father--W .. George Schultz--built the pillars in the Lodge. Brother Andy Shields has had an operation and is now at home recovering. Brother George Goodman, Sr. is in the hospital for an operation. Brother Roy Forschler is not well, but is home and would appreciate rece ing brothers calls.

W.: Ron Bertie attended ceremonies at the George Washington National Memorial for the Grand Encampment of the Knights Tem-

Brother Tom Hueston says that the Brotherhood Fund drive has received over \$3,000.00 in donations thus far, and there has been over 50% participation by lodge members. He has also noted that there have been some difficulties getting status readings back from Grand Lodge.

Reserve the dates of June 15th--for our annual picnic--and August 10th-for our Fellowcraft Steakroast. Also reserve the date of August 24th for the Wakan-Hubbard Golf Tournament (See our Ad). All three dates are firm. You can expect to have a really good time at each of these events.

The brothers of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge will be exemplifying "Ye Olde Tyme Ritual" (a Third Degree), on

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Wakan-Hubbard Lodge

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May 13 7:30 PM

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Originally written by: R.·W.· Roy J. Riedesel

May 13th, as it was practiced over 40 years ago, before the current standard work was codified. The text of the degree was originally written by R. . W .. Roy J. Riedesel, and follows the King James version of the degree. Any brother interested in viewing this degree, which contains 15 scenes, should plan to attend our lodge on May 13th at 7:30 PM.

That's all for now

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May 13 Business meeting - "Ye Olde Tyme Ritual" R.·.W.·. Robert Zabel

No Meeting - Memorial Day Observed

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> 2nd Monday 7:30 P.M.

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Brethren.

It seems like I just got through writing an article for the "News" and here we are again. I recently returned from vacationing in Florida and got to see a couple of our Southern gentlemen, W: Bro. Charles Swartz and Bro. Merwin Buckland. They are both well and send greetings to all of you. I was told about a Lodge they attend there that only meets during the full moon. I can't imagine keeping track of the lunar cycle for meeting nights, yet their attendance is good. Just a thought that I would share that with you!

Under sickness and distress: I heard reports of Bro. Henry Templar having a hip operation. We wish a speedy recovery to Hank and I'm sure he would enjoy hearing from you. We also wish a speedy recovery to W: Bro. Ralph Kennedy, who recently underwent surgery. We have all missed you at Lodge and I hear tell of a special 'chicken' dinner. Just kidding! Hope to see you soon.

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garage fire at W: Bro. Harvey Closs. For the village folks, Harveys 'ole' bike didn't make it. He will have to pedal something else

Meetings in April: Our regular meeting was not well attended but was full of good reports and discussions. Our "Youth Committee", Bro. William Finch, Bro. Terry Hatch, and Bro. Craig Emmons, have been very busy. We are sponsoring a young girls softball team again and plans are being implemented for our "Say No to Drugs" program at Honeoye Falls/Lima Manor School. These Brothers have been very busy and are to be commended for their excellent work.

We also had a First Degree conferred. Bro. William Finch was in the East and did an excellent job. My thanks to all for making this Degree a success: R:W: Rodney Rittenhouse, R:W: Paul Spillane, W: Harvey Closs, Bro. John Schwartz, Bro. Craig Emmons, Bro. Terry Hatch, and W: Joe Cotteleer.

Meetings planned: Union Star will have a special awards presentation at our regular May 13th meeting. Your attendance would be very appreciated by your officers and the recipient There will be a Second Degree on May 20 at 7:30 PM. W: Bro. Dennison Ripley will be in the East.

Going Fishing? We will have a Lodge fishing weekend at Sodus, May 17, 18, and 19. W. Bro. Bud Ripley has offered for us to stay at his cottage on Eagle Island and he has guaranteed good fishing. Please call Bud or myself, 624-1308, if you would like to fish with us.

We all had a great time at our last trip with Bros. Ripley and Cotteleer and you won't want to miss out.

Fraternally, Kenneth Buckland Master

Trestleboard
May 13
Regular meeting-Special Award
May 20
Second Degree - 7:30 p.m.
May 17-19

Annual Fishing Trip-Sodus May 19

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Greetings Brethren,

On March 21st, Bro. Leonard Gessin gave a talk on how the **Emergency Communications** was handled prior to the installation and operation of the 9-1-1 Emergency System as we now know it. One interesting aspect, is the reason it is called 9-1-1 and not nine eleven. In the more depressed areas of the country, and for those who are receiving telephone service for the first time, it is understood that the No 0 is the last number on the rotor or touch pad and therefore the number (11) would not exist. We also learned that some of the people who operated the old system and continue to maintain the new system, are Brothers of this

May the 2nd, will be our Move-Up Night and Spaghetti Dinner. Lodge will open at 6:00 p.m. sharp. LADIES AND FRIENDS ARE INVITED, dinner will be at 6:30 and at 8:00 p.m. there will be a speaker from the 9-11 operations, at the Lodge, to explain how the system now operates, what happens when a call is placed to 9-1-1 and how it affects the county and Pittsford in particular. Reservations for dinner need to be received by John Dudley no later than Saturday, April the 28th.

Northfield Lodge Ladies Night will be May the 18th, at the Maplewood Inn, located at 3500 East Avenue. Cocktail hour will be at 6:00 p.m. and dinner will be at 7:00 p.m. The cost is \$15.00 per person and John Dudley must receive your R.S.V.P. no later than May the 4th. His phone number is 586-6426.

On May the 16th, Bro. Raymond Beardsley will talk on the Morgan Affair. This program was re-scheduled because of the ice storm. While the archives of Northfield Lodge may hold some interesting history, Bro. Beardsley certainly will be able to offer some curious and little known facts on the subject.

Those who recognize their birthday in the month of APRIL are; D. Brown, A. Engert, C. Fox, K. Frost, F. Halik, M. Harney, D. John, R. Kessel, R. Ledsome, A. Little, L. Lubin, R. Mc Andrew, R. Mc Connell, A. Maloni, K. Moore, E. Mosher, L. Nohle, R. O'Dell, J. Parker, T. Paulick, L. Phillips, D. Walker, L. Whiting, and M. Zona.

Those who recognize their birthday in the month of MAY are: D. Beatzel, C. Behage, M. Carter, C. Chesterman, J. Dudley, A. Erb, P. Fox, W. Fuhrmann, L. Girke, R. Harrison, C. Hartzfeld, J. Howard, H. Jacot, P. Klingenberger, H. Karri, H. Langmead, D. Luke, H. Siebert, K. Smith, and L. Tuczai.

June 6th will be our Sports Shirt Night, We will cook outside for an informal dinner and continue informally to the Lodge to finalize business for the season.

There is a sign up sheet in the

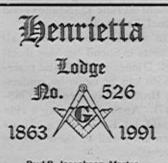
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769 Erie Station Rd. West Henrietta, N.Y. 14586

Brethren:

Spring is finally here and the weather is nice enough to get outside work done. If you can spare some time from your own lawn and garden we sure could use some help in cleaning up at your Lodge. The ice storm has left us with a lot of projects.

On May 21st we are having a Bring-A-Friend Night. The din-

Lodge for the Sausage stand. Work schedules are altered a little from last year, and as always, you can basically choose your own hours. Brother Robert Zahn will be calling for help with the Strawberry Festival. Regardless of the state of the locally grown strawberries, we will have a festival this year. Mark your calendar now for June the 27th.

Northfield Lodge has baseball tickets for the youngsters. For \$1.00, a child through the age of 14 years can attend certain games until the first week in September. As of May 1, there will be 9 games available for the children. This represents a savings of over \$17.00. If you are interested, call W. J.M. Zona at 458-6179, they make nice birthday gifts and are the most inexpensive entertainment available.

Trestleboard
May 2
Spaghetti Dinner, 6:00 PM
Program 3:00 PM
May 16
Talk on the Morgan Affair
May 18
Ladies Night. - R.S.V.P.
John Dudley by 5/4/91
June 6
Sport Shirt Night

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ner will be supplied to the guests by the Fellowcraft Club so no one will have to pay for more than their own meal. Please get names and addresses of "friends" to me as soon as possible so invitations can be sent out. The only way Henrietta Lodge can grow and prosper is by bringing in new Brothers. This Bring-A- Friend night is a great way to promote our Fraternity and hopefully increase our membership. Please try to come up with the names of people who you think would make good Masons. Even if you can't make this date yourself, if you know of anyone let us know and we will make him feel at

We are planning on having a few joint gatherings with the Knights of Columbus. If we can get dates ironed out. I believe that this is a great way to get our two Fraternities together and have some fun. I will have more on this later.

May 18th is our first Ham Dinner, Put this date on your calendar, bring your friends, If you have been to any of our previous Ham Dinners you will know just how great they have been. If you haven't been recently you have missed a real good meal, So get out and sell tickets or just show up. You won't be sorry.

Finally, I would like to congratulate our Jr. Warden Norm Johnstone and his Degree team for a job well done. Along with this I must remind you that we have a Third Degree on May 28. This Degree will be preceded by a dinner. Please call either myself or Norm Johnstone to make reservations. If you can't make the dinner try to make the Degree because we can always use help on the Second Section and it looks good to our new Brothers if there is a lot of Brothers in attendance.

Fraternally, Paul Josephson Master

TRESTLEBOARD

May 7
Third Degree Rehearsal
May 14
Business Meeting
May 18
Ham Dinner
May 21
Bring-A-Friend Dinner followed
by a Third Degree rehearsal
May 28
Third Degree

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Play the Masonic **Quiz Game** every month +++ Answers on Page 20

Question 41:

Which one of the following statements is TRUE?

- A All Grand Lodges permit dual membership?
- B "Irregular" and "clandestine" do not mean the same thing.
- C All Grand Lodges require at least a week's waiting period between degrees
- D Private "Grand Honors" are the same in all Grand Lodges

Question 42:

The Number of Grand Lodges in which the Deputy Grand Master is appointed is:

- A 3
- B 5
- C 8 D 11

Question 43:

*The number of States in which there is no Grand Lodge is:

- A 1
- B 4
- C3 D 2

Question 44:

Grand Lodge meetings are held in every month except:

- A July
- B August
- C January
- D February

Question 45:

The Grand Jurisdiction which permits the reception of a petition from a Lewis (minor son of a Mason), provided Degrees are conferred after majority is attained,

- A South Dakota
- B North Dakota
- C Nebraska
- D Florida

Question 46:

Which one of the following statements about the George Washington Masonic National Memorial is true?

- A The Memorial was completed in 1932
- B The Memorial is the property of American Grand Lodges
- C The Memorial is located in the nation's capital
- D The Annual Meeting of the Memorial Association is held on Washington's Birthday.

Question 47:

The Grand Lodge which "outlawed" the Eastern Star is:

- A New York
- B Pennsylvania
- C Virginia
- D South Carolina

Question 48:

The Conference of Grand Masters ofNorth America has usuallymetin Washington, D.C., but has also met in:

- A New York and Cleveland
- B Boston and San Francisco

SENECA LODGE No. 797



Raymond Crandall, Master (R) 334-7720 (O) 422-1797 Donald B. Scrivens, Secretary 436-8707

Second Tuesday 6:00 P.M.

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

Brethren and Ladies:

The Lodge was honored this past meeting by the appointment of R.W. James B. Scobell as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Arizona to the Grand Lodge of New York. Jim received this appointment by an official visit from R.W. Stephen R. Whittaker and R.W. Charles Spiegel. I congratulate Jim in his achievement. Seneca Lodge has been visited yet again by the devastating loss of a loved one. Diana Walthour, wife of Stuart Walthour our Assistant Tiler has suddenly succumber, and her passing is sadly acknowledged to Stu, Mike and Amy.

A Brother receive the second Degree with the enthusiastic endeavors of all those who conferred that Degree. The efforts of our Junior Warden, Bob Crystal are especially noted as this was his first of many trips to the East, and I congratulate him in his sterling performance! The Middle Chamber lecture was yet another inspiring delivery by our Senior Warden, Mike Goehle. To you, and the other Brothers who so enthusiastically participate in our Degree work, we are all indebted.

It is the time of the year for me to begin packing for the trip to New York City to visit the Grand Lodge. I'm sure this will be a very enlightening experience which I will be communicating back to you about next month.

I RESTLEBOARD

May 11 **GEVA Night Bob Crystal** 473-0279 May 14 Lodge-3rd Degree Mike Goehle in the East May 19 Interfaith Service Temple Civic Center

- C Chicago and Kansas City, Missouri
- D St. Louis and Atlanta

Question 49:

The number of Grand Lodges requiring their elected Grand Officers to be Past Masters is:

- A All
- B 17
- C 28 D 40

Question 50 Lodges are numbered in every Jurisdiction except:

- A District of Columbia
- B Massachusetts
- C Nebraska
- D Wisconsin

Metropolitan Police and Fire Square Club



(Left to Right) - Metro Club Members; Dean Marsaw, Executive Secretary and 1979 Past President; Charles Petersen, Treasurer and 1977 Past President; Joseph M. Sapienza, 1990 President; Don Lacy, 1986 Past President; Roger L. Gardner, C.A.P. Book President; Peggy Soule, Executive Director of C.A.P. Book.

On December 19, 1990, your officers met with the officers of C.A.P. Book, Inc. (Children Waiting for Adoptive Parents). This organization publishes a national photo listing book, with pictures and the short life history of these children. We presented them with a check from our Special Project Fund for \$100, which bought two childrens' pictures to be put in this book. As you know, the money for this Fund is raised during the year, and turned in at our annual Steak Roast. I am happy to report that a 13 year-old girl was placed with permanent parents in Maryland just before Christmas, after our contribution enabled her to be written up in the C.A.P. book. Her name is LaVirta, and I am told that she enjoys music, likes to read and is interested in fashions. Until that time, she has been in a foster home for 6 years. I am sure that as you members read this report, you will feel the same as I, that our efforts have been amply rewarded. We will receive future reports on her progress. Our donation also enabled the publishing of a photo and writeup of another child, which will be in the book for one year or until adopted, whichever comes first. A great big thanks to all of you out there for a job well done. Note: Our Special Project for 1991, culminating at the Steak Roast, will once again be for the C.A.P. Ticket books for same were enclosed in your notices for Ladies Night, which you should have received by now. If you need more, phone me and I will send them to you. Our goal this year is to sponsor four children for C.A.P. I will have LaVirta's picture at Ladies Night and at the Steak Roast.

At this time, I would like to give a special thanks to all members who decided to pay two years dues at once, but to those who didn't, the Club understands each individual's financial status is different, and we do what our cable-tow allows. While on the subject of dues, if you don't have a 1991 dues card, then you haven't paid your dues for 1991, so please check, and if you have not done so already, send me your payment of \$5.00 A.S.A.P. Thank you.

On March 27, Past President,

Ed Bastian had a triple bypass, and that Saturday, some members and myself paid him a visit at Rochester General, taking him a fruit basket on behalf of the Club. He is home now, doing fine, and I am sure would appreciate

I found out April 1, that Bro. R.W. Jay McCullough was in Park Ridge Hospital, following a heart attack. Later this month, he will have surgery, at Rochester General, and I am sure that he, too, would appreciate cards, at 56 Kirkgate Dr., Spencerport, N.Y.

If you know of any member in sickness or distress, please let me know, so the Club can get out some cheer to them.

See you at Ladies Night, April

Check your smoke detectors-they save precious lives. Fraternally, Dean F. Marsaw Executive Secretary 865-0046



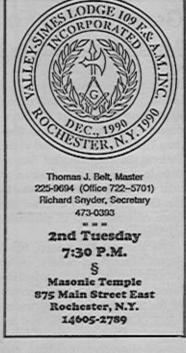
Our last meeting this spring will be held at the Red Men's Party House, 1001 Lexington Avenue, on Friday evening, May 17. Social hour, euchre, and excellent fellowship begin around 6 P.M. with dinner served at 7 P.M. An excellent selection of entrees is available from the menu.

Following dinner & a brief business meeting, R.W. Bro. Ronald D. Mertens will give a short talk on the Philalethes Society and Doric Council.

For a ride or a reservation, call Wor. Bro. Robert F. Sanford at

Our next get together will be our annual pool party and pienic at the exclusive Sanford Gardens on Sunday, July 28. Save the date - this is always a favorite!

Trestleboard May 17 Past Masters Supper Club Reg. Meeting-Red Men's Club



Brethren:

As I am writing this article I was thinking of the wonderful time we had at our April meeting. Our Senior Warden, Br. Ted Honea, took the East and ran the meeting during the annual move up night. The meeting was followed by a most thought provoking and entertaining program by Bro. Grant Romer. There were well over 60 members and guests in attendance, yet there was one member noticeably absent. As I have taken the East I have learned some of the most valuable people to the Lodge are those who are always there when called upon and active at all the functions. As the two Lodges merged I learned one of the people who would always be at the sidelines was Bro. Ed Willis,

Ed Willis was the Treasurer of Simes Lodge for over 20 years. He was active in numerous Masonic organizations and was one to attend all activities with such regularity he was known as a faithful Brother whose attendance was never questioned. His devotion did not go unnoticed as he was awarded the Distin-GUISH SERVICE AWARD by Simes Lodge. As the Lodge opened Tuesday night Ed was not there; so noticeably that I heard a number of the Brothers asking one another if they had known of or heard from him. I was to soon learn in the following day that Bro. Ed Willis died of a heart attack. A Loss to the Craft.

On a brighter note I am pleased to announce that on March 17, my wife gave birth to our son Benjamin Colson Belt. I have read a Q&A to him already and he has told me of his desire join the Lodge.

this meeting, please make an effort to attend the May 14th meeting. Check your mail box for more details. Don't forget to turn in reservations for dinner. RESERVATIONS PLEASE CALL R:W: DAVE CLARKE, PHONE: 889-9134 BY MAY 8.

I look forward to seeing you in the 14th.

Fraternally, W: Thomas J. Belt

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Gulf War Disrupts Masonry In Israel Grand Lodge Forced to Suspend Masonic Meetings and Functions

By R.·.W.·. Maurice Solomon

Despite not being directly involved in hostilities, nor taking any steps that might be interpreted as being inimical to Saddam Hussein and Iraq, and at the Behest of the United States refraining from the desires to take any such action, the war in the Gulf profoundly affected the State of Israel, and in particular all Masonic activities.

As was widely reported, Israel found herself repeatedly under attack from "scud" missiles launched from Iraq, and because of the terrorist nature and uncertainty of both the attacks and the targets, the government of Israel issued directives banning any public assembly, particularly during evening hours, when the attacks mostly took place.

Directly because of this action by the government, the Grand Lodge of Israel was forced, with the greatest reluctance, to order the suspension of all Masonic meetings and functions. Arrangements were made to keep in touch by telephone and personal contact, and as far as is known, there were no casualties among the Brethren, although there was property destruction, resulting in the livelihood of many Brethren being either wiped out or seriously impaired as a result of the bomb damage.

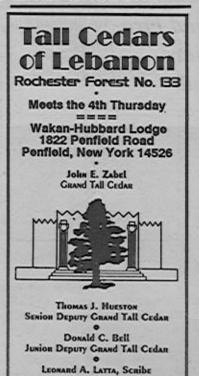
Throughout all this, the Grand Lodge of Israel, with its very limited means, took every step in its power to assist Brethren affected in this difficult period.

At this juncture, the Grand Lodge of Israel has expressed pleasant surprise at the many demonstrations of support from Brethren throughout the world, and have stated that such heartwarming encouragement and messages has helped them keep a sense of balance, reminding them that they are not alone and that their Brother Masons are anxious to help them defend themselves and their "Blessed Masonic Work" against the "ruthless hand of ignorance and the devastations of war".

So far as is know today, steps have been taken for the resumption of full Lodge activities, so that the world can witness that the Grand Lodge of Israel, knocked down but never counted out, is blooming once again, thanks mainly to the fortitude of its members, and also to the support of Freemasons throughout the world.

Freemasonry, and the Brotherhood of man, has once again triumphed over evil.

> Caring Is Everything



Another month has passed, so its time to review what we have accomplished. Our March meeting saw Brother Ted Honea give us an excellent talk on Masonic symbolism. His talk enlightened us on various Masonic symbols and their meaning as well as discussing symbols who's meanings have disappeared. The evening was concluded with ice cream supplied by our Junior Deputy Grand Tall Cedar Don Bell.

Our April meeting was the conferral of the Prologue and Royal Court Degree. The cast did an excellent job. The Degree was conferred in full costume, the costumes having recently been removed from Brother Don Brugger's home much to his wife Jean's relief.

Our May meeting will be a baseball night at Silver Stadium when the Red Wings play Nashville on Thursday, May 30. This is one week past our normal meeting night, or the fourth Thursday instead of the Third. Please make a note of the date. Tickets will be available from our Scribe Len Latta. The cost has not yet been determined. This evening is open to guests and other Masons, so plan to invite your friends, relatives, etc. We should have a good evening. The last two games the Cedar attended were good games, and the Red Wings won!

Plan ahead for our sausage roast in June. The date is Thursday June 27th and will be held in Ellison Park as it has been for the past several years. This is always a good way to start the summer picnic season. More information will be in the next issue of the Masonic News.

That it for this month.

Fraternally,

John Zabel Grand Tall Cedar

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Thank you Louisiana Relief Lodge No. I for Tooting your own horn

"And she continued on her way"

You never know what problems the absence of Bus transportation can cause.

Robin's husband is an off shore oil field worker. He works for two full weeks and goes home for one week. They live in Clinton, Miss., which is about 220 miles north of New Orleans. He usually goes to and from his job on the Greyhound Bus. Since the bus drivers were on strike, Robin took her husband to Morgan City, LA, to begin a two week work detail.

As she and two small children were coming back, her car began to run hot. One service station said she needed a new thermostat (\$40.00) and a few miles up the highway another station said she needed a rebuilt radiator (\$80.00). She arrived in New Orleans and the car was still losing water and continued to run hot. She had spent all of her money on repairs.

Robin realized that she must talk to someone she could trust. She remembered her late fatherin-law, James Leland Matthews of San Antonio, Texas, told her that if she were in trouble she could always call the Masons. This is where the story begins to involve Past President and Associate Executive Secretary Glen H. Butler of New Orleans. Robin called Past President Butler and he was able to go and assist her immediately. Bro. Butler realized that he could not fix her car but he new of a Brother who could. He took her to see W. Bro. Tony Montellaro who operates an auto repair garage. Bro. Montellaro found out that her trouble was a leaking radiator cap. After further inspection he also found the fan clutch was bad and needed to be replaced.

In the meantime, Bro. Montellaro who also operated a first class steak house saw that Robin and the children were fed. (He also saw that Bro. Butler had his share of a Wisconsin strip steak.) After about 2 hours, Robin was on her way to Clinton, Miss. She thanked all the Masons and said that her husband had wanted to join the Masons and that she was going to encourage him to do so.

The Louisiana Relief Lodge No. 1, F & AM of New Orleans picked up the bill for the repairs (very modest, thanks to Bro. Montellaro). Acts like these are an everyday occurrence for the 140 Agencies of the Masonic Relief Associations throughout the U.S. and Canada.

Unfortunately, most cases go unreported, therefore, the world does not know what goes on.

Thank you illustrious Brother Butler for sending this true and interesting narrative to us.

Thanks to the BULLETIN of the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada. Ed.

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1. America's Children

That's the name of a special issue of the Scottish Rite Journal (S.J.) dedicated to our young people. It is an excellent issue and shows what Masons can do when motivated. If you have not seen this special issue please let us know and MSA will send one to you: Request "America's Children" from:

Masonic Service Association 8120 Fenton Street Silver Spring, MD 20910 Or you may request an issue directly from the Scottish Rite: Scottish Rite Journal 1733 16th Street, NW Washington, DC 20009 It will be well worth your time!

2. Desert Storm Update

The Boston area Scottish Rite Masons sent a "Diary" to all of the Massachusetts National Guard participants in the Persian Gulf area with the following message included:

"On behalf of the 12 thousand Scottish Rite Masons in the greater Boston area, we extend our sincerest best wishes to all of the men and women serving in the Persian Gulf.

Hopefully, this personal diary will provide an easy opportunity to record your thoughts and feelings for later reflection upon your return to Massachusetts.

As your efforts are foremost in our hearts and minds, we pray for your continued safety and quick return home to family and friends.

"May the good Lord watch over you always."

It's a great message!
3. Masonic Wartime Stories
Requested

We have had the following request from Bro. Richard Shields:

"I am researching wartime stories and incidents involving Masonry and its related organizations. Such incidents as Masonic funerals conducted for enemy soldiers, homes saved, special treatment given to prisoners, etc. I am looking for any stories for any of the wars fought by US Forces from the Revolution to the Persian Gulf."

Please send any stories or incidents to:

Mr. Richard Shields
1902 Plyler Mill Rd.
Monroe, NC 28112
4. Urgent! Coil's Masonic
Encyclopedia!

Allen Roberts has asked all Grand Lodges and interested Masons to please read the following request and furnish the information to:

Allen Roberts P.O. Box 70 Highland Springs, VA 23075

******Revisions for Coil's Masonic Encyclopedia being closed out.*****

To bring current information into the revised encyclopedia the revisor needs the following information as soon as possible:

- The number of current Lodges.
- 2. The number of current members.
- 3. Permits dual/plural membership - or not.
- Landmarks, if any, followed.
- Criteria for recognition of newly formed Grand Lodges.
- Changes made in Grand Lodge law since 1955.
- Anything else that is pertinent for inclusion in this encyclopedia that is now accepted as "the final word" in Freemasonry.

It would be helpful if some learned Brother would read what Coil had to say about your Grand Lodge, then send the revisor the deletions and additions your Grand Lodge believes should be made.

5. Did You Know

Lt. Gen. Walter Boomer, USMC, Commanding General 1st Marine Expeditionary Force is a Freemason. General Boomer is a member of Temple Noyes Cathedral Lodge #32, Washington, D.C.

We also understand that Maj. General William Keyes, USMC, Commanding General 2nd Marine Division and Maj. General John Hopkins USMC, Commanding General 1st Marine Expeditionary Force (Rear) are Freemasons too! We do not know their Lodge, and we ask that if any of our readers do, please notify us so that we can mention it in a future issue!

Also, in answer to many inquires, to the best of our knowledge, Gen. Colin Powell and Gen. Norman Schwartzkopf are not members of the Fraternity.

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How Old Is Masonry?

On opening the tomb of King Tutankhamen, Dr. O.J. Kinnamon who had spent 20 years in work on the tombs and temples of ancient Egypt, said: "Masonry did not have its beginning in Europe in the seventeenth century. I do not know where or when the principles of Masonry had their beginning, but years of archeological study in Egypt show it came there in the days of the Pharoahs, maybe from India. There are signs that it came into India from the lost continent of Mu."

Dr. Kinnamon then described the unwrapping of the king's mummy and stated that after many layers of fabric had been unwound from its midsection a Masonic Apron was found in its proper place.

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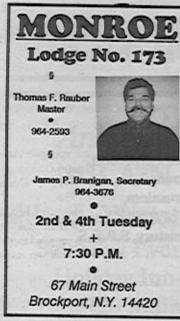
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It seems that every year, about this time, the Lodge activities kick into high gear. This year is certainly proving to be in due form. At our first regular communication in April, April 9th, we had the pleasure of having two speakers with very different and very interesting program presentations.

Following a super meal prepared by our own Bros. Werner and Doverspike, we opened, handled our business meeting, closed and settled in for a most enjoyable evening. Bro. Bill Zufall led off with his presentation on the history of the Morgan Affair. Despite a bout with what had all of the appearances of Botulism (He had this before he arrived in Brockport; it had nothing to do with Bro. Werner meatloaf), Bro. Zufall did his usual outstanding job. Bill, we repeat our special thanks to you for going beyond the call of duty to bring your presentation to us when you were feeling considerably less than 100%.

Our second speaker, Bro. Dave Mawhinney, did a bang-up job in his role as District Chair for the Masonic Home in Utica. Dave added colorful insights from his own experiences as a Nursing Home Administrator to the highly informative and, believe it or not, entertaining slide presentation on our home in Utica. (Ask him to tell you about the three elderly gentleman on the front porch of one home which he visited). Thanks, Dave, for your time and info.

We'd also like to add a word of welcome to Bro. Ken Lament who was visiting from Oswego. Ken will be in our area for a couple of years. We hope that in the future he'll take the opportunity to share many more evenings with us. It really was nice, to have so many guests at Lodge. New faces like Ken and Daves' and old friends (I didn't say an old faces) like Bill always make for a fantastic night of fellowship.

Our before-Lodge dinners have been a great success! Delicious fixin's; inexpensive meals (\$3.00); a money-maker for the Lodge; a source of good companionship. Now all we need is a bigger turnout so that all of those Brothers who are missing out can join the good time. If you could use a ride to Lodge just give any of the officers a call. We don't want anyone to miss out on Lodge because transportation has become difficult. If you can't call on Brothers for a hand, on whom can you call? Don't be bashful!

Our list of Brothers "underthe-weather", undergoing surgery, on- the-mend, etc., is growing. Come on you guys! Knock it off!! We send out sincere "Get Wells" to Bros. Jay Me-Cullough, Cal Tripp, Howie (Stay off the Ladder) Bale, and

K.C. Campbell. Bro. George Brege has been keeping us up to date on K.C.'s escapades, but now he's afraid to come to Lodge because he's afraid that all of this stuff is catching. (By the way George, it was great to see you back up here in the cooler climes.)

There are a number of upcoming events of which the members should be aware. Don't forget the 6:00 o'clock dinner before our May 14th meeting. Our program for that evening will consist of presentation by the Towpath Shrine Club regarding the Shrine Burn Hospitals. The video which accompanies the talk is touted to be excellent. Our own Vern Johnson, President of Townath. will be chairing the event with the help of several other of our Brothers who are also Damascus Shriners. Another program which we wish to get in before year's end is R.W. Bob Rudman's show and talk on Grand Lodge Protocol and etiquette.

The Monroe #173 Bike Safety Rodeo is coming up on May 11th, from 10 AM 'til Noon, at the Brockport Middle School North Parking Lot. Don't be shy about setting that date aside to help, because, as usual, we'll need all the help we can get to man each station, help with inspections and distribute food and prizes. This is one of our most visible community activities and we should do our best to "do it up right!"

A final event in the works is the First Annual Monroe Lodge Garage Sale. Bro. Neil Laundry has volunteered to chair this extravaganza. Be sure to show up at Lodge to find out what's going on! Everyone who isn't there get's a job! Bro. Mel Mosher's good wife, Mary, may volunteer their garage just to get it cleaned. Good thinking, Mary. We'll bekeeping everyone informed as plans are made. Start thinking about those items that you may wish to contribute.

Speaking of Bro. Mosher, don't forget the Brotherhood Fund. We're coming to ne end of another fund year and need to get our total up where it should be. Also, remember that the Lodge is almost always open on off Tuesdays for informal meetings, Eucher, Pool, and general fellowship. Several of the Brothers have been using that night to meet with R.W. Steve Whittaker to discuss ways of increasing member interest, new membership, and fund raising ideas. Come on out and add your

Before closing, we've been rather remiss with our "Profiles of a Brother" in past months. Not only have we been remiss, but we've now had it pointed out to us by an out of town Brother who wrote his own, so ...!

PROFILE OF BROTHER: George W. Robin-

I don't have the time to be a real active Mason but I do try to get to a few of the meetings here. Usually 4 or 5 each year in the Mosaic Lodge here in Danvers and several in the Valley of Salem in Salem. Went to the Rose Croix last night. It was the first time I heard the subject of blue Lodge attendance brought up. They asked for a show of hands from every one who had been to a blue Lodge in the past month. Only about 1/4 of those present raised their hands. Then were told to attend and support the blue Lodges because that is where the SR candidates come from. I have been beating that drum ever since I joined the SR.

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News. Often pass them on to some of the more active Brothers down here. The issues during the period when Jay McCullough was District Deputy were especially interesting. Jay was in the line when I was raised. At the same time that Jay was District Deputy there our District Deputy here was a brother who was in line when I joined Mosaic Lodge.

I am still working at what was the General Electric Aircraft Instruments plant until it was sold to the Ametek Corporation. My wife, Betty, is working part time in an office in Topsfield. I am one of the oldest employees in the plant and many of the younger people wonder why I am still working. The two children are supposed to be on their own now but we still get calls for HELP. Some times it gets to be a "one day at a time" situation. Our grandson will be 4 in May, has a wonderful disposition and some times talks like a little old man. We really haven't made firm plans for retirement but are looking toward central Pennsylvania. I don't think we could last very long living here, if I am not work-

Say hello to all the Brothers in the Lodge for me. Maybe we will get to Brockport this Summer. Tell Jay I hope he has been able to keep up his campaign against drugs and is getting the Masons to work on it. The situation is bad here in Massachusetts. There is a great need for treatment programs and no money.

We look forward to seeing everyone soon. Come on up and let's all take part in keeping our Lodge: Monroe #173 "Best in the West!" Fraternally,

On behalf of W .. Thomas Rauber

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SUMMER IS ALMOST HERE!!!!!!!!!!!!!

April 6th we served for Rochester Chapter's Official Visit. We thank you for your support in us and we hope to help you when needed. The 7th was our first bake sale at the Ames in Brockport, we used the proceeds for our convention. We would like to thank the Supervisors and Daddies for their help, plus the girls for baking and Monroe Chapter for their donation. Plus a special thanks to Wendy Burrows for asking the store if we may sell our baked goods.

We would like to thank Rochester Chapter, O.E.S. for their dona-tion, also the donations given by the Wanda Williams Club, and a special donation by the Past Triangle girls.

April 13th was Installation of our new Beloved Queen Mary Fisher and her officers:

Beloved Queen Mary Fisher Sr. Lady-in-Waiting Cynthia Lynch Jr. Lady-in-Waiting Amy Lynch Guardian Holly Gorall Chaplin Melissa DuBois Marshal Belinda Cooper Asst. Marshall Joy Staub

The Installation went well and Degrees were presented to Joy Staub, Mrs. Miller, and Daddy Ferguson, WE GOT YA!!

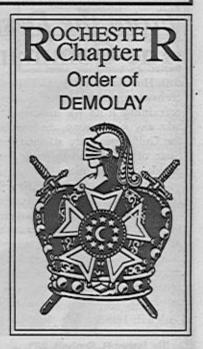
Mary's term plans are not yet set but one of her charities is the Make A Wish Foundation, more is to be said later.

May 16th we will be at the Gateway Inn to hand out programs and hopefully be presented to the Grand Matron and her officers.

If you know any girls between ne ages of 11-21 please don't hesitate to call me at 334-7953 for further information about our organization. Thank you and we hope to see you soon. Fraternally,

Amy Lynch Past Beloved Queen

> Caring Is Everything



Update By Les Andrews

CHARLOTTE CORIN-THIAN TEMPLE is the place. SUNDAY APRIL 28th at 2 PM is the date.

Our DEMOLAY CHAPTER will hold its second Installation of Officers, since it's inception, and return to activities in 1988. It's been a long haul, but most Worth-while, And to the Advisors of the Rochester Chapter, I extend my sincere gratitude.

Heading up our new line of Officers, will be

JASON STAUB Master Counsellor **BRIAN BAXTER** Senior Counsellor MICHAEL ISRAEL Junior Counsellor **GREG WYNINGS** Scribe

I strongly urge a good representation of Monroe County Masons, to make their resence felt at this auspicious ceremony.

Give these boys a reason to feel proud, that we all took the trouble to show an interest.

On FRIDAY, APRIL 18th, the boys did a fine job as "Honor Guard" in Cathedral Hall, for FIDELITY TRIANGLE No. 4 The occasion was the Installation of their "Beloved Queen", Miss Mary Fisher, (and a very pretty Queen too, I might add).

We of the Demolay Chapter, wish to publicly thank Wakan Hubbard Lodge No. 154 of Penfield, for their wonderful generosity, in footing the bill to allow one Demolay boy to attend Camp Turk this Summer.

More next month.



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Consistory Chapter of Rose Croix Scottish Rite NEWS Council Princes of Jerusalem Lodge of Perfection

Charles Spiegel, Jr., Editor

From the Desk of: The Commander in Chief



III...James B. Scobell, 33°

First, I would like to thank Bro. James J. Powell and the Officers of Rochester Chapter of Rose Croix for the splendid performance of "The Feast of the Paschal Lamb" observance on Palm Sunday, March 24, 1991. I know that everyone that had attended the Service enjoyed

Our Spring Reunion on April 18-20, 1991, presented Degrees from the Lodge of Perfection, Council of Princes of Jerusalem, Rose Croix and Rochester Consistory. At this time, I would like to thank the members of the Degree casts and directors for their excellent portrayal of the Degrees.

The month of May brings the Interfaith Breakfast on May 19th and the election of officers in the Lodge, Council and Chapter of the Valley of Rochester on May 16th. All of the Officers in ALL OF THE BODIES ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND THIS MEETING. I would like a good showing of support for these Brothers who have taken on the job of an officer!

This being my last message until September, I would like to remind you of the Annual Scottish Rite Outing to be held at The Party House on Beahan Road on August 23, 1991.

To All of our Brothers and their families, I wish you a happy and healthy Summer.

Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Lodge of Perfection

Paul J. Rogers 32°, MSA Thrice Potent Master

A moment of your time to say, a million thanks to the Officers of The Lodge of Perfection, your diligence to duty contributed in no small way to the success of our meetings and the Scottish Rite.

May 16 will be election and inyear 1991-1992.

The Lodge of Perfection will be in good hands, and may all good things happen to you.

A big thank you to the Officers of Consistory, you were serious to your honor, office and responsibility. The Valley of Rochester can only go in one direction "UP"

Mrs. Jean Brugger and Mrs. Sue Hofmann (Jean and Sue) Words are not enough to expess my appreciation for the courtesy to me and my Office. I will always be grateful.





I wish to thank everyone who took part in the feast of the Paschal Lamb. Especially the following officers:

Senior Warden-Stephen R. Whittaker

Junior Warden-Lawrence K.

Orator-Ronald D. Mertens Master of Ceremonies-David C.

Captain of the Guard-Donald A.

Rose Secretary-Ill...Robert P. Zabel,

33 Degree Treasurer-Ill...Norman H. Selke,

Director of Feast-Charles W. Simpson, 32 Degree MS

Engineer and Senescal-Lawrence F. Geith, 32 Degree

Wardrobe Master-Frank T. Jansson, 32 Degree MS

In addition to above officers, Harold E. Metzler, 32 Degree MS, Ruth Freeman for providing for the reception, and the red caps for their services.

> Caring Ds Everything

Scottish Rite Calendar Of Events

Spring Reunion Banquet -Holiday Inn, Genesee Plaza June-July-August: NO MEETINGS August 23: Scottish Rite Outing - Party House, Beahan Rd.

September 5:

Scottish Rite A Brief History Of the Bodies in the Valley of Rochester, N.Y. By III. Lewis G. Ames, 33°

All Bodies Meeting-7:30 p.m.

(Part Three, Final Chapter)

According to a letter of Hubbard S. Allis, and there is evidence in the records of the bodies at a later date to substantiate this, he received the Degrees in the four bodies of the Rite on September 1, 1853. The dispensation was held by Jarvis M. Hatch, 32nd Degree, but as this was before the union of the two Supreme Councils in 1887, it is not definitely known from which Supreme Council originated. It is presumed, however, from the evidence available, that it came from the Northern Supreme Council, the Council recognized by the Supreme Council at Charleston.

While some meetings were held of the few who were attempting to establish the Rite, the undertaking did not develop into much of a success and died out very soon. The early records of this original group were turned over to the Lodge of Perfection in April, 1873, but there is no further reference to them anywhere, nor can they be located. They were doubtless lost in the fire which destroyed much of the property and records of the Bodies, in 1892.

On February 24th, 1866, then, so far as the present organization is concerned, the Scottish Rite was established in Rochester. In addition to Ill. Brother Orrin Welch, 33rd Degree, Deputy for New York State, and three other Illustrious Brothers, who were authorized to confer the Sublime and Ineffable Degrees upon the petitioners, there were twenty-two petitioners. After the Degrees had been conferred, the petitioners received a dispensation to confer the Degrees, elected their officers, who were installed by the Deputy, and the Scottish Rite was launched in the Valley of Rochester.

The first minutes of the Council of Princes of Jerusalem were destroyed by fire, and the first minutes of the Chapter of Rose Croix bear no date, but apparently the original members of both bodies were the same as those of the Lodge of Perfection, and both bodies were established at about the same time as the Lodge.

On April 30th, 1866, "twenty Ancient and Accepted Masons met and drew up a petition to Orrin Welch, 33rd Degree, Deputy Grand Inspector General of New York, for a Consistory in Rochester." At a subsequent meeting, held in Masonic Hall on May 28th, a dispensation was presented from the Deputy, empowering this group to meet

NOTICE

To all members of the Rochester Lodge of Perfection, Rochester Council of Princes of Jerusalem, Rochester Chapter of Rose Croix, And Rochester Consistory, S.P.R.S.

Grand Elect Masons: Valorous Princes: Perfect Knights: Sublime Princes:

You are hereby notified that the Annual Meetings of the Rochester Lodge of Perfection, Rochester Council of Princes of Jerusalem, Rochester Chapter of Rose Croix and Rochester Consistory will be held Thursday, May 16, 1991, in Cathedral Hall, Masonic Temple, at 7:30 P.M.

The meeting will be for the purpose of transacting business; and the election and installation of officers in the Lodge, Council and Chapter for the ensuing year.

You are cordially invited to be present. THE OFFICERS OF THE BODIES ARE EXPECTED TO BE THERE!

> Paul J. Rogers, 32° MS Thrice Potent Master Gordon J. Ball Sovereign Prince James J. Powell Most Wise Master James B. Scobell, 33° Commander-in-Chief

Robert P. Zabel, 33° Secretary

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together as a regular Consistory.

While there is practically no reference in the minutes of any of the bodies to the receipt of charters, we know that all four bodies were chartered on May 16th, 1867. Unfortunately all four of the original charters were lost at the time of the fire in 1892. It is believed that they were not destroyed but that they were removed, badly damaged, and sent to be cleaned up and framed, but no trace of them has been found. Eventually, after hope of their recovery had been given up, duplicate charters were obtained, which are now in our vaults.

The original meeting place of the four bodies of the Rite was in Masonic Hall, an old stone building on the corner of Main and Exchange Streets, where the Wilder Building now stands. Apparently, the Bodies moved to the "Butts Block," on State Street, about the first of year 1867. On Oct. 26th, 1884, the bodies approved a resolution to move to "Odd Fellows Temple" on West Main Street; purchasing the furniture and equipment of the Odd Fellows, and issuing five hundred certificates of indebtedness at ten dollars each, bearing interest and payable in five years, to cover the necessary expense. The move to the new location took place some time between this date and February 9th, 1885.

During the Spring reunion in April, 1892 (April 27th) fire destroyed the quarters in Consistory Hall, as the building was then known. The stage and scenery, the room above the Lodge room, and

the roof of the building were entirely destroyed. All of the records and Chapters of the bodies, were saved from the fire but much of this material was lost elsewhere in the confusion attending the fire and moving to new quarters. During the time until Nov. 9th, when the building was again fitted for occupancy, the Bodies met in the Masonic Temple-the top floor of the building on Exchange Street for many years occupied by Weed's Hardware Store, which was razed in 1956.

During the Fall reunion in November, 1900, (Nov. 15th in the morning) fire again destroyed the quarters of the bodies in Consistory Hall. The 15th and 16th Degrees had been conferred the evening before, and these were the last Degrees worked in the Hall. The work of the reunion was completed in the Masonic Temple on Exchange Street. A note in the minutes of the Consistory, between the dates of the 15th and 16th, states that the fire completely destroyed the properties on the upper floor of the Hall, and badly damaged the costumes and properties on the floor below. The records of the bodies were also badly damaged, very little outside of the minute books of the Lodge, Chapter and Consistory being sal-

In December, 1900 new quarters were rented from Damascus Temple, in the old Reynolds Arcade. The robes and equipment saved from the fire were repaired and a few small

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Scottish Rite News

Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite

Annual Scottish Rite ●BANQUET●

Ill.. I. Vincent Lloyd, 33° Class

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items were purchased, but no general replacement of the properties destroyed was made, as at this time plans were under way for a new Masonic Temple, to house all of the Masonic bodies in the city.

The new Masonic Temple, on North Clinton Avenue, was completed in 1903; and the first meeting of the Scottish Rite bodies was held therein on the 15th of October. The bodies remained

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in this building until it was abandoned upon completion of the present Temple on East Main Street, in 1928.

The early minutes of the

bodies show that the path which they took was not all smooth and even. There were financial difficulties at different times. Naturally enough, there were differences of opinion. At times there was dissension among the four bodies, with regard to proportionate expenses. Prior to 1893, when Buffalo Chapter of Rose Croix and Buffalo Consistory were chartered, the only bodies conferring Degrees beyond the 16th in the western part of the State were the Rochester bodies. Many of the members of the Rochester bodies came, therefore, from Buffalo and its surrounding towns, and when, after the first fire, it was found necessary to assess the membership to recoup part of the losses of it, there was opposition from the Brethren of these localities. The organization was not, by any means, the smooth working one it is today. Eventually matters were adjusted to the satisfaction of all, and from 1903 on there has been an entirely friendly feeling among the various bodies of the Rite, and between those bodies and the other branches of the Masonic Fraternity. This feeling of friendliness and cooperation, to the credit of all branches of the Fraternity and its allied organizations, exists today, more than ever before, and it is evident that it will

Germania Lodge of Perfec-

The Valley of Rochester, N.Y. is unique in the Scottish Rite in that it is only Scottish Rite Valley in the jurisdiction (probably the only one anywhere) where there are two Lodges of Perfection in the same locality. At first glance such an arrangement seems unnecessary, perhaps, senseless; but when we look back to its origin it becomes completely reasonable, and understandable. Some time before June, 1874,

a group of German speaking citizens, mostly members of Germania Lodge, No. 722, F. & A.M., decided to try to establish an additional Lodge of Perfection in Rochester. In the minutes of Rochester Lodge of Perfection, dated June 16, 1873, there is this note, "On the motion of Brother Otis Cole, Germania Lodge of Perfection was allowed the use of the A. & A. rooms free of rent for the present. The Thrice Potent Master gave his permission for Germania to confer the Degrees of this body upon such candidates may be elected or have received a portion of the Degrees in this body, such work however to be credited to this body... Brother Cole announced that tomorrow (Tuesday) evening, Germania Lodge of Perfection would be instituted in this building, and invited all to at-

In the minutes of Rochester Lodge of Perfection, dated Feb. 2, 1874, there is the following: "On motion of Brother Cole the following resolutions were unanimously adopted. Resolved, that the thanks of this Lodge of Perfection be hereby fraternally tendered to the officers and members of Germania Lodge of Perfection, U.D. for their unremitting labor, as well as contribution of properties, that so greatly assisted in making the Eighth Annual Reunion an unparalleled success. Resolved, that Rochester Lodge of Perfection earnestly request the State Council of Deliberation at its next session in Albany, February fourth, to recommend the Supreme Council to grant a charter to Germania Lodge of Perfection."

Germania received its charter on August 19, 1874, and has been working the Degrees of the Lodge of Perfection since that time, in complete harmony with Rochester Lodge of Perfection, and with the best of fraternal relations existing between the two bodies.

Until World War I, the Degrees conferred by Germania Lodge of Perfection were worked in the German language, with the exception of the obligations which in many cases were given in both German and English. Even when conferring Degrees for Rochester Lodge of Perfection, the Degrees in the early days were in German. With the passing of many of the older, and the addition of new and younger members, and a change in the work to English, the original purpose of Germania is in the past, but it still retains its Charter, its traditions and activity, and has an important place in the Rite in the Valley of Rochester. Many of the members of Germania are members of Rochester Council, Chapter, and Consistory, and there is a close relationship between Germania Lodge of Perfection and the Rochester bodies of the Rite.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

The necessary qualifications for petitioning for membership in the Scottish Rite Bodies in the Valley of Rochester are: to be a Master Mason in good standing in any regular Lodge (wherever located), and to be a resident of the State of New York one year.

Grand Lodge Veterans Service Committee



Chris Starr Deputy Representative

I hope that this communication finds all of you in good health, and with as much happiness as you can handle. Grand

Lodge Veteran's Service has been busy, and I have tried to keep up with everything so that you can know what's going on in the world of Veteran's Affairs. The Veterans Medical Center at Canandaigua hosted a Women's History Program on April 3rd. Ms. Emily Sisson, Executive Director for the National Women's Hall of Fame, spoke on Women's History, and how women are nominated and selected into the Hall of Fame. She was sponsored by the VA Medical Center's Federal Women's Program. The public was invited to attend. Ms. Sisson is a descendant of one of the original signers of the Declaration of Sentiments at the first Women's Rights Convention in 1848, and was named in "Who's Who Among U.S. Executives" in

The 1991 Annual Volunteer Awards Banquet was held at the Burgandy Basin Inn on April 24th, with Brother Masonic Volunteers making a very satisfying showing, and earning welldeserved awards. Congratulations to all of our Masonic volunteers who received awards, and to those faithful and new ones who did not yet get officially recognized. Even so, in my eyes you are just as deserving, and so I thank you for your time and effort thus far from the Grand Lodge Veterans Service Committee.

Linda Krossber was appointed Patient Representative at the VA Medical Center at Canandaigua. Her main responsibility will be to act as liaison and assist patients in resolving issues and concerns. She will also be active in the Medical Center's Government Council, which enables long-term care patients to voice issues or concerns that directly affect their wards, and, the Family Visitor Council, which gives patient family members the opportunity to express their concerns or suggestions for improvement. Mrs. Krossber has worked at the Medical Center for the past 16 years.

Dennis Tepper was appointed Associate Medical Center Director at the VA Center at Canandaigua. Mr. Tepper has served with the Federal Government for 20 years: 18 years with the Department of Veterans Affairs and 2 years as a Personnel Officer Please remember the Masonic Service Bureau in your will Thank You.

in the US Air Force. Since the start of his career in 1973 with Veterans Affairs, he has worked for seven different VA Medical Centers across the country, where at three of which he held the position of Associate Medical Center Director. Mr. Tepper is a fellow in the prestigious college of health care executives.

Dentists at the Canandaigua VA Medical Center and Rochester Eastman Dental Center are working together via a research project to study and collect data on dental decay, gum disease, and dental disease in middle age and older adults living in Upstate New York. Volunteers are being sought for this research project and you need not be a veteran to qualify. Adults must be between the ages of 55-79, sign a consent form, answer general dental questions, and be examined for 18 months. Volunteers accepted will receive free of charge, three dental examinations and information, dental care products, educational materials and a newsletter. Interested persons call Dr. Richard Spurgas at the VA Medical Center, (716) 396-3614, Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.

If you have at least 300 hours or three years service under your belt, you want to contact Volunteer Service at the VA Medical Center at Canandaigua for your new photo i.d. badge. Any questions? Call the Volunteer Service Office at (716) 396-3645. Please say you will volunteer your time once per month to travel with us to the VA Medical Center, to devote a little time to our hospitalized veterans and to serve Masonry through the Grand Lodge Veterans Service. You and your lady are welcome to join us and our ladies in this regular fulfilling venture. From a good start breakfast together at the Canandaigua Masonic Temple (all you can eat for \$3), to our visit together to the Medical Center, we each devote what we can to repay and show appreciation for our veterans most of whom are in long-term care. Our ladies usually conduct prizewinning bingo games in the sun room, while we go to the wards with treats of cookies, candy and ice cream. Don't wait - call me now at (716) 454-1598. We would be honored to have you join our special circle of friends and Brothers. Till next month, take care of yourselves and share with those less fortunate than your-

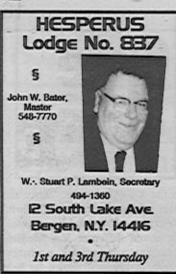
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On March 21, 1991 the Degree of Entered Apprentice was conferred on two candidates.

W.·. van Hulburt in the East, assisted by W.·. James MacConnell as S.D.

Connell as S.D.

R.W. Robert Hebner, D.D.G.M. presented W. Kenneth Barons his Dedicated Service Apron. W. Kenneth now serves as Treasurer and has been in leadership roles in scouting for forty years. He also is and has always been a willing worker for the Craft.

April 4, 1991 a delicious dinner was served by the Hesperus O.E.S. prior to the Official Visit and homecoming of R.W. Robert Seils, Grand Director of Ceremonies of the Grand Lodge State of New York. R.W. Seils stressed the need to follow Masonic etiquette, have programs at Lodge meetings, follow up with new members, and achieve satisfaction through ritualistic work and community involvement promoting the Craft.

R.W. Kenneth Kohlhagen gave a very interesting talk and slide presentation concerning the home and laboratory at Utica. Many questions were answered by R.W. Kenneth, R.W. John Stockholm and R.W. Eliguis Rainer.

At this meeting we had visiting Brethren from Batavia, LeRoy, Attica and Varysbury Lodges.

April 18, 1991 the Fellowcraft Degree was conferred on our two Entered Apprentice Brothers. R.W. Van Hulbert again in the East.

May 2, 1991 will be Past Master's night with all past Masters assuming the officers chairs. The annual tradition of cheeseburger will be served following the meeting served by W. Donald Read.

May 11, 1991, a Chicken Bar B Que will be served at the Temple in Bergen starting at 4:30 P.M. Let's all get behind Bro. Donald Hargrave, Chairman, and again make this a huge success.

May 16, the Master Mason Degree will be conferred by the Past Master's Shriners Degree Team of Rochester. Supper will be served by Hesperus O.E.S. at 6:30 P.M.

Fraternally, John W. Bater Master

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May 11
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May 16
Master Mason Degree
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Masonic NEWS: Genesee-Wyoming District

R. W. Robert H. Hebner

District Deputy Grand Master

Genesee - Wyoming District



"I sat with an Old Friend The other day . . . "

It was Sunday. We met in church. We had not seen each other for several years. Ironically, he was one of the Masons who had investigated me when I joined the Craft. We had a nice, long and informative talk. We covered a multitude of topics just as quickly as time would allow. It was a joy to hear of the things that had happened since we last saw each other to be able to relate some of the experiences I have had. He has been following my progress in Masonry and I could tell he was proud that he had something to do with it. We shared a few chuckles. A couple of hearty laughs and some of the not so nice things in our lives. When we parted I wondered how long it would be before I would see him again? I said to myself, "I hope it won't be as long as the last time". You see he does not get to Lodge much any more.

This brings me to the question, how long has it been since you sat with an old friend? How long since you have been able to share some of your experiences or show off those pictures of the children or grandchildren? When was the last time you enjoyed that feeling of having really seen somebody who you missed? Better yet, having missed somebody that you now had a chance to see, how about the times we pick up the paper and read a name in the "obits" and say I wish I could see that person just one more time.

Well, it is not too late to start. I just happen to know where you can go and see somebody that is happy to see you and ready to refresh your memories. Somebody who will share good and bad times with you. Listen to your problems. Share in your joys and be that old friend you are so happy to sit with.

You can sit with that old friend, ... in Lodge !!!.

Be yourself is the worst possible advice that you can give some people.

Writer Tom Mannon

F. & A.M. Richard C. Benn, Master 495-6545 W.: Allen L. Capwell, Secretary 786-8989 1st and 3rd Tuesdays Masonic Temple 75 South Main St. Warsaw, N.Y. 14569

Spring is here! Some of the "Snow Birds" have returned from Florida and points south. Now if we could just get them to come to Lodge.

Tuesday, April 2nd was our first regular communication of the month, and we were fortunate to have R:W: Ken Kohlhagen from West Star Lodge in Varysburg, representing the Grand Lodge Committee on Benevolence, to present his slide program on the Masonic Home. It was a very interesting program and was not only enjoyed by all present, but also gave some of us "Senior Citizens" food for thought.

Bro. Cliff Drum, our Jr. Warden, has successfully launched an Anti-Drug Poster Program at the Wyoming School. This effort has been well received by the students and faculty. Winners were chosen on April 10th with a Pizza Party held for all involved. We hope to have pictures printed in various Masonic periodicals for all to see.

We have a candidate! The Entered Apprentice Degree will be conferred by Bro. Cliff Drum on Tuesday, April 16th, the Fellowcraft Degree on May 21st, and the Master Degree on a date yet to be determined. Please try to attend to support the efforts of the participating Brothers.

On Tuesday, May 7th, at our regular communication, W: Bro. Allan Capwell, District Chairman of the Masonic Blood Bank, will present a program. This is a very important program and I am sure you will find W Bro. Capwell's presentation interesting.

May 19th will be our regular monthly breakfast. This is becoming quite an event each month with larger attendance each time. Come and join us.

We are planning a Chicken Bar-B-Q for Memorial Day Weekend. This will be held on May 27. This event has been quite successful for the last couple of years, so we hope to continue in years to come.

The first of our two DeWitt Clinton awards to be presented this year will be presented to Jim Dourie of Wyoming. Jim and his family run the one and only

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Masters & Wardens Association

GENESEE - Wyoming
District
Daniel N. Evans,
Secretary - Treasurer

On the 16th of March the third meeting of the Genesee-Wyoming Masters and Wardens Association was held. The meeting took place at Warsaw Lodge at 8:30 a.m., Warsaw, NY. Coffee and doughnuts were served by Hesperus Lodge. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am sharp by R:W: Robert H. Hebner. He discussed the trip to New York City to Grand Lodge. Several means of transportation and lodging were discussed. Also on the agenda was the Poster Campaign and the sponsoring of a worthy child to Camp Turk.

Next on the agenda was the establishment of a set of By-Laws for this organization. A rough working draft was presented. It was decided to have three basic officers, President, Vice-President and Secretary-Treasurer. The Officers elected for the ensuing year are Shawn Wright, President from West Star Lodge, Glenn Cramer Vice-President also from West Star Lodge and Daniel Evans, Secretary-Treasurer from Eagle Valley Lodge.

The next Regular Meeting of the Genesee-Wyoming Masters & Wardens Association will be held Saturday, April 27th at 9:00 AM sharp at the Warsaw Temple. Coffee and doughnuts will be served at 8:30 AM.

have for years contributed to local community efforts in the form of time, money and goods, and most recently contributed all the soft drinks for our school anti-drug program. Jim is well deserving of this honor. This presentation will be made at our regular communication on June 4th.

Receipts for the Brotherhood Fund are slowly coming in. Have you sent yours?

We are looking for some young person to attend Camp Turk in the Adirondacks again this year. If you have a child who wishes to attend, please contact our secretary.

Several years ago, (1973), we followed the urging of Bro. Gordon Brown of West Star Lodge and created a trust fund. Bro. Brown made a sizeable donation to start it, and his grandson has added to it from time to time.

The principal can not be used, but after the principal reaches \$5,000 the interest may be used to support Lodge operations to help keep dues from being the sole support.

Several Brothers make regular donations once each year, or in recognition of some special event such as Tax Refund time. They prefer to have their money kept specifically to support the Lodge rather than to the general fund for any purpose designated by the Brethren at any particular communication.

We would encourage you to help perpetuate the Lodge and contribute with a check, or regular contributions to: The Blue Lodge Perpetual Trust Fund. Fraternally,

Richard C. Benn Master

By speaking of our misfortunes, we often relieve them.

Peter Cernellle

West Star Lodge No. 413 F. & A.M.

W., Shawn L. Wright, Master 535-7637 R.W., Kenneth E. Kohlhagen, Secretary 585-7511

Ist & 3rd Mondays

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Greetings Brethren,

Well it's time for another news letter. This will be the first one appearing in the Masonic News and there will be some repetition. I'm getting this letter out now due to some up coming events. First I'll give you a rundown of the last three meetings.

March 4, 1991, 9 members in attendance. This was the night following the great ice storm that paralyzed a good part of Wyoming, Genesee, Livingston, & Genesee Counties. Understandably attendance was down. This was to be the official visit of R.W. Robert Seils Grand Director of Ceremonies but he had to cancel due to the ice damage at and around his residence. Under sickness and distress it was reported that Fredd Sikes and Charlie Gerhardt were ill. James Weber was recuperating from an all terrain vehicle accident and Mel Parmerter had injured his knee and was under going surgery. It was sadly reported that Fed Stalhood's mother had passed away. Cards were signed and sent. Plans were made for the Third Degree to be held on March 18th. Plans were also made for a Roast Beef Dinner to be held at the Lodge on April 7th from noon to? It will be served family style, cost will be \$5 for adults, \$3 under 12 yrs., under 5 yrs. free. Proceeds are to benefit the Gordon M. Brown Memorial Scholarship Fund. Tentative date for the annual Roast Pork Dinner was set for May 18th or

March 18, 1991, about 40 in

attendance. Under sickness and distress it was reported that Irv Vogel, Howard Smith, Alton Nevinger and Charlie Gerhardt were ill, cards were sent. Lodge was opened at 5:23 p.m. to start the first section of the Third Degree. R.W. Robert Seils Grand Director of Ceremonies was introduced and accorded grand honors. A communication from Castile Lodge announced that their Good Friday Fish Fry was being discontinued. Bro. Glen Cramer reported on the Masters and Wardens Assoc held March 16th at Warsaw Lodge. Shawn Wright was elected President, Glenn Cramer Vice-President, and Dan Evans Sec.-Treas. Next meeting will be April 27th at Warsaw Lodge, All Master Masons are invited to attend. The meeting will start with coffee and donuts at 8:30 a.m. and business at 9:00 a.m. Batavia Lodge will hold a Third Degree on March 26 with dinner at 6:30 p.m. R.W. Robert Seils announced his revised schedule of official visits. He will be at West Star on April 1st, 195 . It was announced that the District Candy Sale had started. Worshipful Masters Richard Plue, Batavia, Richard Benn, Warsaw, and John Bater, Bergen were introduced.

We conferred the Third Degree. A most beautiful and memorable Degree was presented using cos-

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tumes graciously loaned to West Star by Batavia Lodge. A full detachment of craftsmen were used. West Star was assisted by members of Attica, Alden, Batavia, Warsaw, Java Village, West Seneca, Bergen, and other Lodges. A very fine dinner was put on by Linda Bactzold and Lorric Geitner with the proceeds going to the Scholarship Fund. A special thank you to these Ladies.

April 1, 1991, 10 members in attendance, (nasty weather and opening day of Fishing Season), under sickness and distress it was reported that Brothers Ed Meyer, Wayne Ladd, Charles Gerhardt, Alton Nevinger, R.W. Hank Raut, R.W. Irv Vogel, and W. Howard Smith were ill. It was sadly reported that Brother Ronald "Buss" Geitner passed away on March 21, 1991. The Lodge was called up for a moment of silent prayer for our departed Brother and the alter was draped for a period of thirty days. The Master appointed Richard Spink and Glenn Cramer and himself as a committee to draw up resolutions of respect. A Masonic Funeral Service was held on March 22, 1991 at Marly Funeral Home in Attica. About 28 Masons were present for the service. I thank everybody who was able to attend. Under communications a formal notice from Grand Lodge announcing the 210th Annual Communication on May 6 & 7. A letter from A.G.L. Doug Kelly giving answers to questions he directed to the Grand Lecturer. A thank you card from the family of Ronald Geitner was read thanking the Lodge for our concern and prayers together with the Masonic Funeral Service.

Bro. Carl Parmerter reported on the up coming family style Roast Beef Dinner to be held April 7, 1991 from noon until gone. He was soliciting pies and help for the dinner as well as a potato peeling party on the Saturday before. Price will be \$5 for adults, \$3 for children under 12 and under 5 years is free. Any donations of pies will be greatly appreciated. Dates for the Neighborhood Days Extravaganza are set for July 13 & 14. The date for the Annual Trust Fund Roast Pork Dinner has been set for May 19th.

R.W. John Stockholm reported that the District has raised over \$9300 for the L.E.A.F. Program. Bro. Glenn Cramer was presented a Certificate of Appreciation from Grand Lodge for the fine job he did as Brotherhood Fund Chairman. West Star Lodge was in the top ten percent of Lodges in the State for percentage of participation and donations per member. It was announced that April 13th Attica Lodge will be holding a Chicken and Biscuit Dinner from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

It was reported that he Master had talked to Brother Thane Wright who is serving in the Persian Gulf. Brother Thane reports that he greatly appreciates the

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letters and packages he has received. He states that he gets the most packages and letters than anybody in his Unit. He said he could have sold his Masonic Ring for \$1000 but passed on the deal. He has been out in the field working 12-14 hour shifts taking care of POWS. He says he will try to answer everybody's letter as time permits.

R.W. Robert Seils Grand Director of Ceremonies spoke on several concerns he has noticed in his travels about the District. He addressed attendance, having programs, making use of the Officer's Training Guide, enrolling in the Lodge Leadership Training Program, the Masters and Wardens Assoc. as a means of communication, and the Lodge System of Masonic Education. He concluded his remarks by inviting all to Bergen Lodge for his home coming on April 4th, 1991 which will be preceded by dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Master's Message

Just a reminder that April 7th will be the Family Style Roast Dinner to benefit the Gordon M. Brown Memorial Scholarship Fund. The time, date and cost has been repeated in the body of my letter. Take outs will be available. Donation of pies and help will be greatly appreciated. Also mark on your calendar the Annual Roast Pork Dinner on May 19th and the Neighborhood Days on July 13 & 14. There will also be an open meeting on June 3rd which will be open to the Ladies and Friends. R.W. Ken Kohlhagen will give a slide show on the Masonic Home in Utica. This will be an informal meeting. Dress comfortably since it may be hot. We will have a strawberry social afterwards if the berries are available.

Master's Update

Scholarship Fund Dinner was a huge success. Figures are not finalized yet but it should have made around \$700 net profit. More info in next issue. Also make a date to be at the Annual Trust Fund Pork Dinner on Sun. day, May 19, 1991. We'll start serving at noon until the pork runs out. Come early if you can. Last year we sold out early. The dinner will be served family style so if you go away hungry it will be your own fault.

Fraternally, Shawn L. Wright

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R.·.W.. Robert G. &eils

Who would think that it is time to write another newsletter for May already? I guess time flies by when you are kept real busy. Some times being busy is good, as it will keep you out of trouble. No I am not saying we are in trouble but we could be if the attendance at some of the Lodges in the area don't improve.

I have just finished my Official Visits to all of the Lodges in the Genesee-Wyoming District. I find that a lot of the Lodges only have a few Brothers at their meetings. I feel that we need bodies to run them. If we all had just card holders in our Lodges there would be no reason to have our Lodges as their would be no one there to use the Lodge rooms. It sure would be a shame to see any of these Lodges fall to the way side if the attendance continues to fail. These are sure some beautiful buildings and I would hate to see them be lost due to lack of

I don't have all of the answers as to what we have to do but if we could get some type of programs of interest maybe we can get a little better attendance at the Lodges.

Another idea on this subject is maybe have a dinner before the Lodge meeting to get a few more Brothers out. I know that we all like to eat and maybe this would help get some more Brothers out. As I said before I don't have all the answers but just a little idea. If we try to get some of these things in place hopefully we can get a better turn out. SO LET'S ALL GIVE IT A TRY AND SEE IF IT WORKS.

On April 4th I had my homecoming at Hesperus Lodge and we had a great turn out. It sure was nice to have all the Officers there and some Brothers on the sidelines. It made me feel real good! We had a nice dinner prior to the meeting, which was put on by the Eastern Star Ladies and I would like to THANK them for a great dinner, as they always put on a great dinner.

It is great to see that SPRING may finally be here. It sure seems that winters are getting longer or Assistant Grand LECTURER GENESEE - Wyoming

Douglas J. Kelly, A.G.L. 2828 Rt. 246 Perry, N.Y. 14530

District

To all Lodges in the Genesee-Wyoming District.

As I stated to you at my official visits, any unanswered questions would be forwarded to the Grand Lecturer and answers would be returned.

There were three questions which I sent to the Grand Lec-

1. Does the Marshal upon making the proclamation, after the Installation of Officers, use the Sign of Fidelity at all three Stations, or only when addressing the Lodge from the East.

A. 'Because of his reference to Diety, We use the Sign of Fidelity when the Marshal is in the East. The Other two stations are simply proclamations, and the sign is not used.

2. Does the Chaplain come to the Sign of Fidelity, when he kneels, or only if he stands at the

"Kneeling signifies due respect to Diety, No sign is given, unless the Chaplain stands.

3. Explain the official use of a ballot in due Form.

A. A Ballot in Due Form is used to emphasize our Masonic obligations, likely used after a Ballot is destroyed. It is accomplished by giving the D.G. & Sign of , before each Ballot.

P.S. Brother Secretary: Please read these at your next meeting, and perhaps again when you have a large meeting or a Degree, when attendance is up. Thank you for your attendance this year at the District Convention and at my official visits. I look forward to working with you again next year. Fraternally,

Douglas J. Kelly A.G.L. Genesee Wyoming District 2828 Rt. 246 Perry, NY 14530

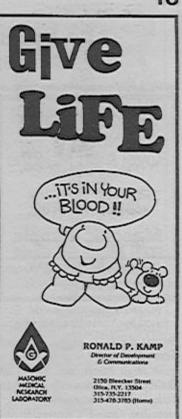
maybe I am just getting a little older and don't appreciate them anymore. Any ways with spring in the air it means we will have to get out into the yards and get them cleaned up so that they look good for the summer months to come. It will be a little bigger job this year as the ice storm in March sure did a job on making things a mess. I am sure we can do it and when it is done we will be able to enjoy the summer. It also means Grand Lodge Sessions are near. By the time you receive this letter we will be getting ready to go to New York City. Hope to see you all in New York and I am looking to having a good time with all of the other Brothers from throughout New York State at this gathering.

Until next month I wish everyone great success on all of your endeavors. Fraternally,

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Dear Companions:

How time flies when you're having fun! It seems like only yesterday that I was installed as your High Priest, and here I am sitting at my desk writing the May article for the Masonic News. I attended Grand Chapter in Albany, on March 1st, 2nd and 3rd, accompanied by my very understanding wife many of our Companions and their lovely Ladies. This was my first time to Grand Chapter and I found the company excellent (no pun intended) and the meetings informative. In the Grand Excellent High Priest message to us there is a decided emphasis on contributing to the assistance of Masonic Youth. You will be happy to know that our Chapter is deeply involved in assisting both Fidelity Triangle #4 and Rochester Chapter De-Molay with our members serving as advisors in both organizations, but many hands make light work and if any of the Companions would like to assist these youth groups please let me know and I will make it so.

We arrived home from Albany just in time to witness Winters power and majesty, I hope all of you survived the great Ice Storm of 91 better than I. As some of you already know I was without a phone for over 2 weeks, and I found it rather difficult to drive with a 30 foot maple tree in my back seat. So if you see your High Priest riding around town in a rather old van with a rather unusual paint job you'll understand. This to will pass, on to business.

By the time you read this your Chapter will have already put on a Past Masters Degree, given a Fervency and Zeal program for Northfield Lodge assisted in the Mark Master Degree at Dansville Chapter and for the Grand Lectures Convention in Livonia, and had an open program with the Morgan Talk given by our King and Companion William Zufall. Not bad for starters but there is still more to come.

Fervency and zeal program at

May 14

7:30 p.m. Practice for Official Visit Consolidation Talks Coffee & Doughnuts

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As always your attendance at our meetings and events is greatly desired and appreciated. It's your Chapter so come join with your fellow Companions and put your Mark on it. If you need a ride call me, if you are uneasy because you've forgotten something, don't worry about it, we all forget things now and then and there are many Companions who will be there and will be more than glad to help. I'll be looking forward to seeing you at our next event.

Fraternally, Michael W. Staub **High Priest** 342-1947

Genesee

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Hope that all of you had a safe time the first part of March. The weather was very bad and hardships were everywhere. Hope all of you are well and stay that way. Now that it is over.

The only event coming up in the college is the Annual meeting in June and that will be on Saturday the 8th 1991 at 3 PM. This is just a reminder of the time and date. It will be held in Scottsville Masonic Temple. You will all receive a letter the later part of May for reservations etc. To those who have already received notice for reports by the First of May to be received by me, please contact me or see that I get the information. If not, I will contact you. Thanks.

Right now the News is very scarce and as you can see by this short letter. Regarding sickness the only one I know about is John Waldock and he is in the St. John's Home and would like to receive cards or a visit. He has his good and bad days.

Believe that is all for this time and we will be seeing you in other Masonic places along the way. Fraternally,

Eme-Em. Governor, Raymond Hager Roy E. Huff, Reporter

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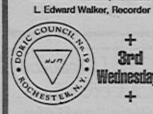


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Dear Sir Knights: Here it is almost May and the end of my year as Commander. This year has been both exciting and interesting. We have seen many accomplishments. Last

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Greetings Companions:

This is the last article I will be writing as the Illustrious Master of Doric Council # 19. It has always seemed strange to write an article for a publication that won't be printed until six weeks after you have written it. To make matters even stranger and more difficult, it is necessary to have this article turned in one week before the previous month's meeting. Example: I am writing this article on the 9th of April, for the May printing. Our council will not have its April meeting until the 17th of April, so that I am writing for two months ahead. That is one reason I have not had too much to say this year as to what has happened at a previous meeting. Any news I might pass on to you was already two months old.

It has been my honor and pleasure to serve you as your Illustrious Master this year. It has been a learning experience and also a lot of fun. To my officers, I'll never be able to thank you enough for your patience, support and all that you have done for me this year. I leave knowing I have not accomplished all that I had hoped to, especially in being able to arouse the membership into a better attendance at our council meetings. To those who were able to attend even one meeting, my heartfelt thanks.

The meeting for May will be the election and installation of your officers for the year 1991-1992, hope to see you at this meeting.

Dues for 1991 are due.

Don't forget our charity drive is also happening now.

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

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

September was the Grand Conclave with our own Grand Commander C. Raymond Hager. Our Grand Sentinel Larry Hood and the members of this Commandary did an outstanding job. We had one of the finest Grand Conclave this state has seen. Thank you all for your help and assistance.

On Feb. 22nd we had our inspection by the Grand Sword Bearer, Ronald Janyszkiew. Our Grand S.B. was very impressed with your work and the evening. Thank you all for a job well done. April 17th will be Zenobea

Commandery's Inspection. Jerusalem will be May 21st. This will complete Zone II Inspections this year. Please plan to at-

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Monroe Commandery No. 12

Knights Templar (Chartered in 1827)

1st & 3rd Fridays Masonic Temple

875 Main Street East Rochester, N.Y. 14605

Sir Knights:

March and April have been disaster months caused by the ice storm. Most you know that I am an electrical contractor, and I have been very busy installing electric service cables and wires back up on houses and buildings. I hope by now everyone has their electric and phones back in ser-

On March 29 at 9 AM S.K. Bob Cook, Lady Jean, S.K. Ron Brown, Lady Sharon and myself left for Washington DC. We arrived at 5 PM at the Hotel Washington.

Saturday, after breakfast we all walked up to the Smithsonian Air & Space Museum, past the Washington Monument with all the cherry blossoms in full bloom. After quite a bit more sightseeing and a cocktail party hosted by S.R. Ron Bertie and Lady Elaine, approximately 50 SK's and their ladies attended a delicious banquet in the hotel.

My first Easter Sunrise Memorial Service at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial in Alexandria, Virginia was a beautiful experience and I would recommend this visit to everyone. The attendance has been falling but it was great to see all the white plumes and sprinkling of black plumes in the stands.

Our inspection on April 5th went very well. The inspecting officer was S.K. Ronald J. Bertie EM: Grand Junior Warden. Before the meeting, a dinner at the Spaghetti Warehouse was attended by 12 Sir Knights and their ladies.

A hearty thank you to all the protems of the evening:

S.K. Larry Hood P.C. Cyrene No. 39

Capt. General

S.K. Arnold Palmer Cyrene No. 39

SR. Warden

S.K. Dave Lathers Comm Cyrene No. 39

ST. Bearer

S.K. Harry Coates P.C. Monroc No. 12

SW Bearer

S.K. Ray Beardsley P.C. Monroc No. 12

Recorder Everyone did an excellent job.

After the meeting, refreshments were provided by S.K. Norm Rollo and his lady Dolores.

Sickness

S.K. Bob Deckard P.C. was taken to Park Ridge Hospital on March 27th for treatment of emphysema and asbestosis. Anyone wishing to send a get well card may do so.

Robert Deckard 57 Stone Cliff Dr. Rochester, NY 14616

May 3rd 1991 Monroe Commandery No. 12 will have the annual election of officers at the downtown Masonic Temple in Cathedral Hall, 8:00 PM, sharp.

Lets all try to attend and support our officers.

Happy Birthday Sir Knights:

4-29 Harry Lee Coats 4-24 Robert B. Deckard

4-11 Lawrence F. Johnson

4-2 Clarnece R. Cooper

5-1 Russell G. Eager

5-2 Bruce R. Gibbs

5-4 Charles W. Frear 5-8 David R. McConnell

5-8 Donald E. Peters

5-11 Ellsworth

Vangraafeiland

5-13 Robert L. Zahn 5-24 Harry W. Buss

5-25 Harold W. Gruschow

5-28 Robert L. Taft

5-28 Laszlo Tuczai

5-31 Nelson W. Moore the 178th annual conclave of the Grand Commandery,

Knights Templar, of the State of New York, will be held at the Holiday Inn Downtown Main St on September 20-22, 1991. May 21st Jerusalem Com-

mandery No. 17 will have their inspection. S.K. Ronald Bertie EM: Grand Jr. Warden will be the inspecting officer. Lets get out and support their com-

Sir Knights, if you have not dug down in your pockets to support the Eye Foundation, dig down deeper.

Anyone who has not paid their dues, contact Robert H. Cook, 65 Dunbarton Dr., Rochester, NY 14618.

"It's not easy taking my problems one at a time when they refuse to get in line."

God Bless. Fraternally, George Bundoc



Genesee Valley Assemblage No. 1

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Your Assemblage has been asked to put on the order of Judas MacCabeus for several candidates in the Buffalo I town area. We will plan on a date for some time this sommer and you will be notified when and where it will be.

The next meeting of our Assemblage will be held on Sunday, April 28th 1991 at 3 PM at the Palmyra Masonic Temple in Palmyra, NY. We will join with our ladies after our meeting for dinner at a restaurant in the Palmyra area. Surprise to where it will be. Come and find out.

Companion John Waldock is still a resident at St. John's Home and he would like to have visitors. Come when you can. Companion Robert Cook, R.E. Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of the State of NY is making his Official Visits of the various York Rite bodies in the

Believe that is all for this time. Be seeing you. Fraternally,

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

York Rite NEWS

Hamilton Chapter NO. 62 Royal Arch Masons (Chartered in 1819)



2nd & 4th Thursdays

Masonic Temple **875 Main Street East** Rechester, N.Y. 14805

With the ice storm behind us (not all cleaned up yet) and the wind dying down this morning, Spring should be "Bustin Out All Over" by the time you read this.

Comp. Bob Dechard has been in the hospital but is doing better now. Comp. Bob Zahn's sister passed away recently; our sympathy goes out to his family.

May 9th meeting, we will have Mrs. Elizabeth Sears talking on "Self Esteem" following the meeting. This subject was touched upon by our D.D.C.H.P. She was a Facilitator at Rochester Products. She has been on leave to get her Master's Degree.

May 23rd will be "Past High Priest Night". We will have dinner at 6:30. A Past High Priest will occupy every chair. Show us young "whipper snappers" how it is

June 13th is our picnic in Henrietta Park. Note the change in location. We will eat about 6 P.M. Come early and enjoy the

fellowship. King and Scribe are

Our date to go to Elmira to see the "Mark Twain" show is now Saturday, August 3rd. Bus will leave "Masonic Temple" at 8 A.M. and return approximately 8 P.M. The package deal is \$45 each including a meal. We need at least 36 people minimum for bus. It will hold 46 persons. We have been to see it and it is very worthwhile. Hope to see you there.

Fraternally, **Hugh Robertson High Priest**

Cyrene Commandery No. 39

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May 10th will be Cyrene's Election of Officers and May 24th will be installation.

May 21st will be Installation of Zone II in Red Jacket Comman-

Zone officers pienic will be on June 9th. You will receive more information soon.

Again I wish to thank all the Knights and the Ladies of the Schicker Club for making this year so successful.

May God Bless you and keep you 'til we meet again.

Fraternally, David L. Lathers, Com. Roy E. Huff, Reporter

East Rochester's Ancient Craft Lodge No. 943

Franklin G. Granata, Master 458-1687 Donald G. Moore, Secretary 586-9196

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

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

Bro. Donald Moore To Receive Dedicated Service

This is an open invitation to all Brothers, their ladies and friends, to join with East Rochester's Ancient Craft Lodge on Monday, May 13th, at the Masonic Temple in East Rochester, when we have the honor of presenting Bro. Moore with the Dedicated Sere Award. The prestigious Grand Lodge Award is presented sparingly each year throughout the State. The First Monroe District will have only two. Brother Don, will be the First for E.R.A.C., and will join three Brothers who have received it prior to 1990.

Bro. Don, who currently serves as Secretary, has been a dedicated and faithful worker through out his Masonic Life . His endless hours of quiet laborhas been instrumental in the strength of our Lodge, and the Village of East Rochester as well.

It is said, that ninety percent ofthe work is done by ten percent. In Don's case, I can safelt say that throughout the past critical years, ninety percent was done by Don.

There will be a dinner preceding the meal, Please call either myself at 458-1687 or J.W. Paul Rogers at 244-5383, as soon as possible with your reservations.

The second annual Ladies Night was well attended by Fifty Six of our Brothers, their Wives, our Widows, and the Officers of Lea Court Chapter No. 539. We were also honored by the attendance of our D.D.G.M. Stephen R. Whittaker and Grand Steward Charles C. Spiegel, Jr. The mix of the young and old, was exemplary of what E.R.A.C. is. Bro. Tom O'Leary, our newest raised Brother and R.W. William Lennox, who was also celebrating his 89th birthday, sharing the fellowship of the old, the new, the yesterdays, the todays, and the tomorrows. That which makes Free Masonry the eternal light of and for all men of God. The success of this special night can be contributed to all who attended. Special thanks goes to the Felloweraft Club, J.W. Paul Rogers

Wor. Brother Richard Friedman, will be representing us in New York City for the Annual Meeting of Grand Lodge. He will be also putting the fin. touches on the Annual Brother Bring a Friend Night. This program has been recognized throughout the Masonic Jurisdictions of not only New York, but the Nation as well.

for the Music and to the Chair-

man of the evening, Franklin G.

Granata, II.

Remember, this can only be a success if you participate, and it is also a great time to introduce your sons, grandsons, Brothers, and your friends to what Masonry really is. The DATE to remember is Monday, June 10, 1991. Fraternally,

Franklin G. Granata

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Bro. Don Moore's D.S.A. and



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According to neurosurgeon Vernon H. Mark, author of "Your Brain and You": Alcohol is the number-one brain poison in our society. It breaks down the bloodbrain barrier -- a built-in defense that normally protects our brain cells from poisons that enter the bloodstream. A person who is alcohol-poisoned can suffer as much disability as a person with a stroke, tumor, or brain injury. The difference is in duration, not degree.

Alcohol is abused by six-million Americans, and 10% of all deaths are alcohol related.

The Seventh Special Report to the U.S. Congress on Alcohol and Health estimates the cost to the U.S. for alcohol abuse and dependence is \$128 billion annually. The Report summarizes some recent findings from prevention research, including: (1) alcohol tax increases are associated with decreases in alcohol consumption, traffic fatalities among young drivers, and deaths due to cirrhosis of the liver, and (2) prevention efforts focused on school-age children can reduce the amount of drinking among young people.

Even drug dealers must pay taxes... A convicted cocaine dealer was assessed \$16.5 million by the IRS on unreported income of \$33 million from the sale of narcotics in 1985. Although the dealer did not maintain books or other transaction records, the assessment was based in large part on boasts the dealer made to undercover agents.

It appears that a high percentage of parents are not aware of their children's drug or alcohol use. A 1988 survey conducted by the Metropolitan Life Foundation provided the following results:

Children grades 3 - 12	YES response by		
Question	Parents	Kids	
Has your child ever smoked a cigarette?	14 %	41 %	
Has your child ever had an alcoholic drink?	36 %	66 %	
Has your child ever tried marijuana?	5 %	17 %	

Corporate conscience prompts intervention . . . After learning that as many as 20 young people die each year sniffing correction fluid for a cheap high -- a practice known as "whiting out" -- Wite-Out Corporation has replaced the solvent trichlorofluoromethane with another that is safe. The reformulated product, called For Everything, is selling well.

A Mexican physician accused of being involved in the torture slaying of DEA agent Enrique Salazar was abducted by U.S. authorities. A federal judge in Los Angeles ruled that U.S. authorities violated its extradition treaty with Mexico and ordered the doctor returned.

Perhaps they need to talk . . . The U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee reports that almost 2.2 million people use cocaine each week in the U.S. That is more than double the number of users estimated by the government's National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA).

Coming soon ... The next issue of UPDATE will be a Special Spring Edition containing news of the 1991 Conference of Grand Masters, the annual meeting of the National Masonic Foundation, the first recipient of the Medallion of Excellence, and more. Watch for it!

GERMAN

Lodge No. 722 Nelson Bertch, Master 671-4792 John H. Foster, Secretary-467-1677

> Ist Tuesday 7:30 P.M.

4275 Culver Rd. Rochester, N.Y. 14622

Brethren:

Greetings! Great news, we had 13 members at our last meeting plus 1 new member W. Bro. Fred Peterson. He left Germania Lodge years ago to follow his dreams and ended up in Florida. He has now moved back Brother Bring A Friend to the area and became re-af-

filiated with Germania at our last meeting after a vote of the membership. Welcome back W. Fred! Why don't our sometimes absent Brothers come to our next meeting May 7 and welcome Fred back.

I would like to take this time to thank our ladies for the wonderful meals they put on for us before each meeting, Thank You! Remember all the ladies and Brothers are invited and welcome to these dinners. Bring your own table service and a dish to pass. If you are not coming, you are missing some great food. Next month is our annual Strawberry Social, following the meeting, with our pot luck dinner before, bring your appetites!

Happy Birthday to all our May Gals & Guys. Fraternally, Nelson F. Bertch

Trestleboard Pot luck dinner, Meeting, Strawberry social

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

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

Brotherly love and fraternal greetings to all the Brothers and Ladies of John A. Robertson Lodge! I hope that all of you who had damage because of Ice Storm '91 are getting back to normal. We have had some really great weather lately and hopefully spring weather will soon be here. You know what they say: "If you don't like the weather in Rochester, wait a few minutes!" Regardless of the weather, I want to wish a cheerful Happy Birthday to all of our Brothers and Ladies who are celebrating this month, and wish you many more happy years with our Lodge!

We really miss seeing many of our Brothers at our meetings, especially those gentlemen newly raised who make up my officer line. I know that many of you are busy because of jobs, family matters, etc., however I really wonder if I am asking you too much for you to attend at least one meeting a month and fill your appointed or elected chair! I don't think so! There must be some reason you joined our Lodge. There are m 'ny fraternal and interesting things that go on when you are absent, and believe me, it's just like life: you will only get something out if you put something in! A special note for my officers: I really need to get you all together for an officer's meeting. Please contact me and let me know what day and time is best for you. We have some important items which must be discussed and straightened out for the benefit of odge. You picked John A. Kobertson Lodge and she accepted. Now she asks you to do something for her. Don't let her down! Attend her meetings and assume and fulfill your duties as her officers!

Your worshipful Master recently had the great honor to receive the coveted Scottish Rite Symbolic Service Award!

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Starr has been selected to receive this award for his outstanding service and devotion to his Lodge, the craft, and the Masonic Fraternity. The Valley of Rochester, Scottish Rite is privileged to recognize and honor this dedicated Brother and do therefore set our hands hereon." I greatly appreciate this wonderful award, and I am inspired to work harder than ever in my Masonic career, for the benefit of my Lodge, the craft, and our great fraternity. I fondly thank my Brothers of the Scottish Rite who had a part in my reception of this award.

I would like you to read some-

thing that was published in the Broadcaster, our old Lodge bulletin, back in April of 1961, thirty years ago! It goes like this: "We are not alone but we are lonely, we are not afraid but we are fearful. Fearful or reaching the point of seeing our Lodge room empty of all but officers. Why are we approaching this point? If we knew the answer, then perhaps we could do whatever is necessary to forestall and alleviate this regretful situation. Your officers for this year, as well as other years have tried to find the solution have tried many different things to encourage you, the Lodge members, to attend the various meetings and functions. Now we are appealing directly to you and you and you. You and you alone know the reason for our failing attendance. Only you can give us the answer and tell us what needs to be done to revive our Lodge and thereby revive Masonry in our hearts. Has Masonry lost its appeal? Has your obligation been forgotten? Have other things taken the place that Masonry held in your life? I do not like to feel this has happened. To me Masonry means building, constructing, helping. Are we doing any of these things to aid mankind? Or are we satisfied in just being a Mason in name only? Send us your ideas or better still, why not come to Lodge and present your views and discuss this problem with your Brother Masons." - The Broadcaster, April, 1961. I don't think, as Master, I have to add anything to the above except that if you are not part of the answer, you are definitely part of the problem. It is our loss that I must an-

nounce a death among us. Brother Harry Barth, who was in his winter years and under care, was finally raised to our celestial temple where the great builder of the universe is Master. Masonic services and farewell at graveside for our dear Brother was held on April 5th with W. Ed Walker conducting, and R.W. Paul Robertson assuming the responsibilities as Chaplain. Unfortunately I was not able to attend because of out of town business that weekend. All of our Brothers and/or their families who are in distress and/or ill, a comforting thought and prayer to turn the tide of your circumstances is sent out to you.

A message from your Senior Warden, Brother Norm Gauch (or Stormin' Norman Grouch as

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we fondly call him - no offense Gauch, J.A.R. Brotherhood Fund Committee."

Speaking of "Stormin' Nor-man, I have it from the horses mouth, that after fifty faithful, dedicated years of service to John A. Robertson Lodge, Brother Norm Gauch, who is Senior Warden this year, will assume the lofty office of Master next year. On consideration, of course, that he can find the time in his now busy schedule (which may not be so busy later), and that his cabletow does not become so tight that Deputy, R.: W .: Paul Spillaine, who has declared that he will not let Stormin' Norman rest until he has assumed the Master's chair. The District Deputy and your Master have entered into a friendly conspiracy to gently push Brother Norm over the edge finally, and seat him in the East where he belongs next year!

I will be attending Grand Lodge communications the first part of May, and I intend to try to take a video movie of my trip, to bring back to meeting and show and Brothers in New York City. Since I have never seen the inside of the exquisite Grand Lodge it will quite an enjoyable experience for me.

care of each other.

Fraternally, Master

Trestleboard May 6 Past Master's Night Entertainment: Exotic Middle Eastern Dancer May 20 Regular Meeting Entertainment: Banjo Sing-A-Long Night June 3 Beachcomber Night-Hawaiian Style Luau Entertainment: Hawaiian Hula Dancers & Music



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Norm) is as follows: "As Chairman of the Brotherhood Fund, I would like to remind all of you that the current Masonic Brotherhood Fund Drive is drawing to a close and, to date, only 63 members of our Lodge have responded to this annual appeal. If you are one of those who have not made a contribution, why not take a few moments and get a check in the mail within the next week or two. If you have misplaced the return envelope, just give me a call at 271-1368 and I will be pleased to send one along to you. Thank you, Norm

it strangles him, and that he can somehow hide from our District

the Brothers and Ladies of our Lodge. It will be my expressed pleasure to represent our Lodge Until next month, may every

one of you be safe and comforted, be as good as you can, and take

W. Chris Starr

tomorrow

Address



We hope that everyone has recovered from the "Ice Storm of '91". It will certainly go down in history as a whopper.

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GROTTO

By Gordon Dodge

The Officers have been busy representing the Grotto at different functions throughout the Empire State Grotto Association. They attended Kharram Grotto in Jamestown, NY for a Past Monarch's Ball and at Hindo Koosh Grotto in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada for their Monarch's Ball. They also attended the Chief Justice's Conclave in Dunkirk, NY at Sharif Grotto where plans for 1992 were discussed and calendars finalized so that social functions were not

Your membership chairman recently spoke on the Grotto at the Past Masters Supper Club, at Fame Lodge and at Charlotte-Corinthian Lodge. Hopefully these talks will bear fruit.

Our April meeting was followed by our annual Euchre Tournament with a large number of teams fighting for first place prize. Winners, as usual, will be announced at our outdoor meeting in June.

Some of the prophets will have by now competed in the N.Y. State Masonic Bowling Tournament that was held in Elmira, NY. Hope they did OK. We'll know by next month's column.

Our Monarch, Merch Merritt, had heart surgery in April, and is now at home doing good. Prophet Charlie Stidd had surgery, in Florida, and also is coming along good as is P.M. Gordic Steinfeldt who also was in the hospital in Florida. Our best wishes to them and anyone else who might be ill.

Our May meeting, on the 15th, will be a short form ceremonial for our new candidates. Please assist Cast Director George Knierim if he asks you to help out. The Cast wants everyone to know that their picnic is on June 24, so help out in the ceremony and you get to go to the picnic. Call Percy Klingenberger with your reservations.

The Caldron Ladies hosted the Supreme Mighty Chosen One with a fine dinner on April 11 after which they held their ceremony for their new candidates. A fine turnout and good food as usual.

Last thought for the month. Look for the "Golf Tournament" notice elsewhere in this issue and send in your reservations. Limited to the first 40 that respond with a check and reservation form to the Monarch. It's on August 10th.

Please call the Grotto Office at 271-6987 with any news or sickness to report.

Special Notice

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Rochester Chapter 314 O.E.S

First and Third Saturday

8:00 P.M. Room A

Masonic Temple 875 Main Street East

Rochester, N.Y. 14605

Dear Sisters and Brothers, I think Spring is finally here. The grass is getting greener and the weeds are beginning to grow. (everything has its draw backs.)

We've had a busy Spring in Chapter. On March 16th, we honored our 35 year members. W. Betty Jansson, Alice Ellis and W. Dorothy Bostwick have been in Chapter 35 years. S. Alice and W. Dorothy were not able to attend. W. Barbara Mertens had a lovely Degree for them. It was a lovely evening with a perfectly delicous luncheon hosted by Sr. Gail Caraballo.

On February 16, we had a picnic after our meeting. We even had ants! W. Barbara Spano made ants as centerpieces. She cooked hamburgs on an inside grill and we had a lovely picnic. After the luncheon, we all played games. A good time was had by all. It was the perfect picnic - the ants didn't move and no one cared what the weather was like.

S. Ruth Faulkner passed away in March. She will be sadly missed by all. She was a great person and a devoted member to

On March 30, S. Gail Caraballo and myself visited the shut ins. First we visited W. Dorothy Bostwick. What a lovely visit we had. It was the first I had met S. Dorothy but S. Gail knew her. So they chatted about old times and I became acquainted. It was nice to meet her.

We then visited S. Grace Ludeke. She was in the middle of her lunch. We stayed just a few minutes, after giving her her gift from chapter.

Then we were off to S. Helen Baker's home. We had a great time visiting her also. She kept telling S. Gail what a great Matron she would make. (Psst. I think so too!) It was fun visiting these members, talking about what is going on now and what was happening years ago. I'm looking forward to my next visit.

On April 6, we had our big night, Official Visit. It was a terrific night, thanks to all our members. Everyone did a terrific job. It was an especially busy evening. Along with Official Visit, we had Ample Form and we obligated a Master Mason. Rochester Chapter's Officers came across again with perfect work.

Our new member is Karen Kneppar, and we obligated her husband Raymond. They seem like a lovely couple. I hope to see them at our next meeting.

The luncheon that evening was done by W. Betty Jansson, W. Effic Simpson, and S. Gail Caraballo. We had a variety of cakes, coffee and punch. It was delicious. Fidelity Triangle served for us that evening.

Ron Mertens had an accident that day. When he showed up at the meeting with his hand all bandaged, I was shocked. I'm sure that's not where he wanted to be right at that time. Thanks for coming Ron, and I hope your feeling better soon.

Our Birthday Banquet is

Order of Eastern Star

Hi-Lights

Order of Eastern Star District of Monroe State of New York

By R.W. James E. Comstock

Just about a year ago, Wanda's Peach Express made its inaugural. When we first formed our committee and discussed the various things we could do to earn money for R.W. Sister Wanda Williams projects in her year as Grand Matron, four years seemed a long way down the road. But! Already a year has passed. The steering committee has been very busy. We have several major products in abundance. A catalog of these products will be ready soon. That's where you, the members of Monroe District, can shine. Products on the shelf only collect dust. We must turn these products into cash.

R.W. Brother Bill Baxter pointed out, at our last meeting, that all of us are not salespersons. However, all members of Eastern Star are great conversationalists. Wear a sweat shirt, cap, or jacket. Talk about them when others ask about them. Wear a pin, carry a "dish carrier" to your picnic, use a place setting of china at your parties. When people ask about them offer to obtain them. Let the products sell themselves. It will work!!!

The next meeting of the steering committee, to be held at Culver Chapter, 4275 Culver Road on Wednesday May 1st, will be an exciting one. The drawing for the Florida vacation will be made. Everyone will be anxious to know who won. All members are welcome-Come join the fun!

I know the District is proud to have R.W. Sister Wanda in Grand line and I know we (the District) want to show everyone that Monroe District is a stauch member of the Order of the East-

R.W. Sister Wanda has been traveling far and wide with the Grand Matron since last October. As busy as she has been, it is only the start of her journey. She has already attended 14 Official Visits, attended receptions and Board meetings, and will be on the road until June 7th when the final Official Visit is

R.W. Sister Wanda was particularly impressed with the enthusiasm for the Order in the

scheduled for May 19. S. Claudia Symonds is planning to have it at the Spring House. Be sure to get your reservations in to her as soon as you can. We always have lots of fun, so call in your reserva-

S. Georgianna Coates is still not feeling better. We all send our best, and hope you are better

Our next meeing, April 20, is our Brown Bag Auction, after the meeting. Hope to see all of you

If anyone is sick please let myself or the Secretary, Gladys Geith, know so that we can inform people and keep you in our

Stay well, and happy. Fraternally, Carol Haskins Worthy Matron

Metropolitan Districts. She believes that the Order is the central part of their social life. It is reflected in their comradery and feelings for one another. This expression of fraternal care carries over to one and all.

Our condolences are extended to our Grand Matron, M.W. Sara Lou Smith and her family due to the death of her mother on April 4th. In a happier vein, we are pleased to announce that R.W. Sister Elizabeth Portman, Assoc. Grand Matron is recovering nicely and that R.W. Sister Ruth Hines, Grand Conductress, is 99.9% recovered from their major illnesses.

R.W. Donna L. Laundry, District Deputy Grand Matron for Monroe District, has completed her Official Visits. She finished with a flourish of 8 visits in three weeks in April. R.W. Donna is now busy preparing for the Grand Matron's visit on May 16th. Invitation are out and details are being addressed. R.W. Donna believes that a good attendance at this function will be a show of strength for R.W. Wanda and demonstrate that Monroe District is "healthy and

R.W. Donna also expresses concern for the many illnesses among the members of the District during the past few months. She urges us to "Reach Out" to our sisters and brothers with a card, a call, or a helping hand.

R.W. Donna has continued her theme of information on the flag in our history. Following is a portion of the text of her address given at her Official Visit to Oatka Chapter on April 4th.

Flags with various configurations of 13 stars and 13 stripes were used from 1777 to 1794. Vermont, admitted to the union in 1791 and Kentucky in 1792 were anxious to have their states represented on the flag. So on January 13, 1794 an Act of Congress changed the flag by adding two more stars AND to more stripes. This one-and-only 15 stripe flag was the inspiration for what was to become our national Committee meeting

were fighting the English again. They had burned the White House and were sailing toward Baltimore. The soldiers at Fort McHenry in Baltimore's harbor were ready. They raised the American flag over the fort. It was a huge flag, as tall as a 3 story house (30x42 feet). Francis Scott Key, a lawyer from Georgetown had been pleading a client's case on the British flagship. He was successful, but then told he must return to his vessel and watch the battle from there and not return to Baltimore. He watched the fort and flag being bombarded until nightfall. Throughout the night each time a rocket went off it lighted the sky and he could see the flag still there. The sight of those broad stripes and bright stars at dawn inspired him to write a four stanza poem. The next day he gave it to his brotherin-law, who printed it in the paper and suggested a tune to go with it.

It was not until 1931 that it officially became the national anthem. Within the United States, the American flag is permitted to be flown 24 hours a day in only 11 locations. One of them is Fort McHenry, another the birthplace of Francis Scott Key, and a third his grave in Maryland. The original "Star Spangled Banner" now hangs, a little bit tattered, in the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, DC.

R.W. Brother Donald Freeman, District Grand Lecturer, District of Monroe, has announced that the Grand Matron has designated May 25th and May 26th as Veterans Appreciation Days. He encourages the members of the Order to visit the Veterans Hospitals on those days-accompany a veteran to the Church of his choice, take sundry gifts and generally make a "day of it" for them. Please contact R.W. Brother Don if you can help. He can be reached at 544-1149.

As this column is being written, the members of Frances Hitchock Shea Constellation are busy preparing for their state convention, which will be held at the Watson Homestead near Painted Post, NY, April 25th thru April 27th. The new officers for the ensuing term will be elected and appointed on Friday, April 26th. They will be installed on Saturday evening April 27th. The Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sara Lou Smith and the Most Worthy Grand Patron Walter R. Howe, Order of the Eastern Star State of New York will be the installing officers. It is anticipated that about 10 members of the local Constellation will at-

The Members of Fidelity Triangle #4 are still in search of "jobs" to do to raise money to attend their state convention. They recently held a baked goods sale at Ames Department store in

On April 13th Mary Fisher was installed as a Beloved Queen of Fidelity Triangle by Junior Deputy Linda Ferguson. The installation was held in Cathedral Hall in the Masonic Temple at Rochester, NY. It was followed by a reception. The Junior Past Queen, Joy Staub was congratulated for her term in office.

Dates to remember in May: May 1

Wanda's Peaches Steering Culver Chapter 7:30 PM

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Dear Members,

Nola Chapter's Official Visit was a special evening thanks to our visitors, protems from other chapters, and our members who helped in many ways.

We extend our sincerest sympathy to R.W. Bill and W. Sula Baxter on the death of their young daughter Miss Ellie.

We send our love and best wishes to those members who are not able to get out. We remember W. Jessie Zorn, W. Leone Miller, S. Abby Learn, W. Charlotte Bayne and S. Ora Combs.

We extend our best wishes to S. Kathleen and James Skelton who will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary May 19th.

May 7th will be our Mother's Day family tureen dinner. Bring a dish to pass and your table service. It will start at 6:30 at the Riga Pavilion, Buffalo Rd.

May 16th will be the Grand Matron's visit. The W. M. Susan Drake would like to have some members attend, so call her for the details.

We will have a card party after our meeting May 21st.

The Comm. for refreshments and cleaning for June 4th and Sept. 17th will be S. Jean Stewart, R.W. Lucille Mason, and S. Doris Daycock.

We enjoyed a letter from W. Dalores (Stevenson) McElroy in Wash. State.

"The greatest battle that ever was fought;

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On the maps of the world you will find it marked

As fought by the Mother's of

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My apologies for omitting the March column.

To bring you up to date, we had a 1st Degree on February 5th and a very nice turnout of members and visitors to witness it. Our very capable Master, Dave King directed the ceremony with Rt. Wor. Vernon Goodrich doing the apron presentation - we will be conducting a 2nd Degree on May 21st and a 3rd on June 18th.

We were saddened to hear of the passing of Bro. Frank Hennen, a former Harley-Davidson motor cycle dealer for several years in Rochester and then handled the Honda Cycle line. Was good to hear Bro. Walt Miller is now home from the Nortonian Nursing Home and doing nicely. Bro. Ed Cass was returned to the Parkridge Hospital recently - best of luck, Ed. There is a dramatic improvement in the 3rd floor dining area with freshly painted walls and ceilings with improved lighting-looks super. Many, many hours were devoted to this project by Bro. V. Goodrich plus others - a commendable job well done.

Many dues notices were mailed early March - please look in that pile of papers lying around and mail a check thus avoiding future postage - thanks.

Our Sr. Warden, Glen Ide will be travelling to the Big Apple next month for the Grand Convention at Grand Lodge, filling in for Master Dave King - have a safe and pleasant trip, Bro. Idewill be looking forward to your return and all the latest developments. The Masonic Brotherhood Fund has produced 84 contributors totalling \$2526.00 - the drive ends in May, so please mail the checks to me when convenient - 65% of our membership has donated - thank you.

A belated Happy Birthday greetings for those Brethren who had birthdays in March: Ed Buckner, Richard Howard, Alfred Jentsch, Robert Mertz, Larry Weekes and Clyde Siverd, and to those in April: Harry Barcham, Herb Becks, Al Hettler, Glen Ide, Earl Martin, Al Shurkus, Bernie Skalny, Christ Stock, Chuck Sutton, Bob Thompson, Mikolij Tworek, Dave Ververs, and Carmen Vitali.

Fraternally, R. Ogden-Sec'y

3rd Degree

TRESTLEBOARD

May 7
Reg. Communication-2nd Deg.
Rehearsal
May 21
2nd Degree-7:30 P.M.
June 4
Wild Shirt Night
June 11
Fellowcraft - 7:30 Room A - 7:30
P.M. 3rd Deg. Rehearsal
June 18

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Mark Fenton, Master 265-3907 (Office 461-8127) Stoian Ellia, Secretary 671-3296

1st & 3rd Thursdays

7:30 P.M.

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

Those of you who missed the second Degree program missed two treats - the excellent, very moving middle chamber lecture presented by our Assistant Grand Lecturer, W. Rich Friedman - and the explanation, in some detail, by his son Bro. Jeff Engbrecht why W. Wayne Engbrecht presented himself before all of his Brothers in the "nude face" state. To those of you who do not know, call him - ask for an explanation, I am sure you will be pleased with his response.

We also learned on that day that this would be the last meeting Bro. Dave Bryant, our Sr. Master of Ceremony would be able to attend for some time. Dave, as many of you know, has been seeking a position in law enforcement for some time. Well, he finally found the job he was looking for. Unfortunately for us, the position is located in Farmington, New Mexico. I know you will all want to join me in wishing Dave much success and happiness in this new venture. We'll be thinking of you Dave. Please keep in touch and make sure you visit us whenever you come back to the Webster

I am very pleased to announce the following new appointments: Sr. Master of Ceremony - Bro. Paul Sobtzick

Jr. Master of Ceremony - Bro. Richard Marchner Steward No. 2 - Bro. William Edwards

Thanks for agreeing to help me keep Webster the best Lodge in the area, Brothers.

We were all pleased that W. Dave Mawhiney of the Grand Lodge Committee on Benevolence/Masonic Home could take the time to share the slide presentation describing the Utica Home and the services which are available to all Masons. I have not had the opportunity of visiting the Home but after this presentation I know that I want to see more. It really is impressive. Want further information? Call 1-800-322-8826. Thanks again Dave for the excellent presentation.

That's enough of the past. What's coming up?

May 2 - Presentation of a Cer-

tificate of Humanity and Pin from the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory. We are planning a dinner this night and also plan to welcome those of our Brothers who do not often get to Lodge. This "Bring a Brother" night is a challenge to those of you who do attend regularly. Call a Brother whom you haven't seen at Lodge recently. Encourage him to attend share in the fellowship meet some of the Brothers he may not have seen for some time enjoy "Willy's Room". Who knows, maybe they will agree with us that the best place to be any time is at Webster Lodge. Where else can you find fellowship like we all enjoy?

May 6,7 - Grand Lodge. I am looking forward to representing Webster Lodge.

May 9 - Fellowcraft

May 11 - Ladies night at our Sister Lodge, Ionic in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. I hope you will join me in honoring the ladies of Ionic Lodge as their members did for ours during the Grand Ball. See Bro. Nick Haldoupis. I am sure he will be able to make last minute arrangements.

May 16 - Awards Night and Grand Lodge Report. Yes, I know, this has been re-scheduled several times. We seem to be constantly running into road blocks - time to get the awards, Ice Storm '91, etc. But we are going to do it this time. Please plan to attend and help me honor the three recipients.

June 6 - The long awaited De Witt Clinton Awards Night. As of this writing all of the details have not been settled. We do have the name of the recipient, we know we are going to have a dinner. We know we are going to invite a number of dignitaries, our wives, friends, prospective members, etc. We'll be getting a separate flyer out to you - perhaps before you read this report. I am looking forward to a very exciting night which is being planned by W. Paul Moore and his committee.

Join me in wishing the following Brothers a very Happy Birthday

May 3 - Duane Crumb May 5 - John Mc Gory, Gene Nitsche

May 21 - William Schlegel
Did I miss someone. Sorry
about that, I used our secretary's
data base and there is some missing data. Please make sure he has
your birthdate.

Did you forget to send a check to the Brotherhood Fund? We're running out of time for this years campaign. Please send your check in or give it to our Brotherhood Fund Chairman, Bro. Ron Hollander.

That's about all for now. See you in Lodge.
Fraternally,

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Brethren:

To those who were unable to join us for our March 26th meeting, you missed a real treat. The cornbeef and cabbage dinner prepared by the ladies of Culver Chapter left little to be desired.

Also a very fine presentation by Wor. Gordon Dodge of the Grotto.

The presentation by Bill Peterson, weatherman for WOKR (Channel 13) was canceled at the last minute, due to the tornado watch in effect that evening, this will be rescheduled for a later date.

May 14th will be a very special evening, when we honor the Brothers who are deserving of recognition for the years of service to the Lodge. 25, 40, 50 years. A swiss steak dinner at 6:30 will proceed this event. If you do not receive a call from the calling committee, and require a dinner, please call me at 621-6051

May 28th is move up night. All officers will move up one station. Please be prepared.

Sickness and Distress

Our sympathy is extended to the families and friends of Brother Cy Walker, who passed away March 14th 1991. Brother Cy was Secretary of the Lodge for 33 years.

Also Brother Charles Krakehl who passed away Feb. 13th 1990. The wife of Brother Floyd Grimes and the Brother of Brother Raymond Vicinus also passed away. Our thoughts are with you at this time of sorrow.

We send get well wishes to Brother Clyde Wilson, and Brother Earl Branch. Hoping for a complete and speedy recovery. Fraternally,

Trestleboard May 6-7 Grand Lodge Sessions May 14 Awards Night (dinner 6:30) May 28 Move Up Night

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In sincere hopes that this copy of the NEWS reaches you in a timely fashion, the above ad is self explanatory. To coincide with the dinner, the April meeting of the Masters & Wardens Association will be held at 7:30 P.M. following.

We are pleased to welcome our four new members who received the Entered Apprentice Degree on March 19. Glad to have you aboard.

There is one important change to make in your trestleboard, a copy of which you should have received by mail. The Lodge family picnic will be held on Sunday, August 11 at the Parma Town Park, 1300 Hilton-Parma Corners Rd., Hilton, N.Y., not July 14th as listed in the trestleboard. This year's picnic will be hosted by Leah Chapter, O.E.S.

Our next scheduled Degree will be exemplified on Tuesday, May 21 at 7:30 P.M. Our Junior Warden, Bro. Merle Wallace, will confer the Fellowcraft Degree.

At this writing we are attempting to schedule the presentation of two DeWitt Clinton Community Service Awards on Sunday, June 2, 1991. An award will be presented to the Hon. Larry A. Gursslin, Mayor of the Village of Hilton, and to the Sally Edelman-Harry Gardner Cancer Research Foundation. More details will be passed on when available.

A new membership concept will be launched in Lodge on Tuesday evening, June 4th. It is called "Brother Bring a Friend Night". A letter with more specific details has been mailed to each member of Clio Lodge. This is a program designed to stimulate interest and hopefully encourage our friends to seek membership in our Lodge. The participation of our members becomes vitally important to the success of this undertaking.

You have all received a Brotherhood Fund envelope in your mailing. Please feel free to use it, and a hearty thank you in advance.

Fraternally, W. Art Harmer Correspondent

TRESTLEBOARD

May 7 Move-up Night 7:30 P.M. Master attending Grand Lodge Sessions. May 21

2nd Degree 7:30 P.M. Brother Merle Wallace presiding

June 2 DeWitt Clinton Awards presentation June 4

Business meeting, "Bring A Friend" Night. 7:30 P.M.

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FAIRPORT

Lodge No. 476

John Lindsay, Master (H)388-0854-("O" 232-1494) George R. Bracht, Secretary 383-1947

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

87 South Main St. Fairport, N.Y. 14450

Heywood Broun was quoted as saying, "Brotherhood is not just a Bible word. Out of comradeship can come and will come the happy life for all. The underdog can and will lick his weight in the wildcats of the world."

Brotherhood in the dictionary says, "An association of men of the same religious order, profession, or society; the mutual regard resulting from this association."

The Birthday Boys listed for this Month are Charles G. Brownell, Reed K. Patterson, Clayton R. Gisman, Frederick A.

Mingo, John F. Leonard, Robert W. Scott, Roy J. Forest, Bernard C. Ornt, Francis L. Machowski, Carl T. Dattel, W. David H. Mawhiney, Raymond W. Howard, James L. Ellsworth, W.R. Clinton Emery, Melbourne D. Staudmyer, W. Robert C. Mabry, Donald C. Vanderlinde, William M. O'Hara, Thomas A. Dennett, Paul M. Cairns, and Dennis D. Dreeson.

Rochester, New York on May 4th, Fairport Lodge # 476, Master John Linday boards Amtrack Train for New York City, New York. Upon arrival and transfer to our Hotel, makes ready for Radio City Music Hall and Lisa Minelli. Sunday should be a great day for a tour in and around the big Apple. The tour of the Statue of Liberty will have a special meaning to me as my family picture is on file at the Kodak Display through the fund raising event in 1986. We are hoping to meet my Nephew and his new wife as they live in New Jersey now. Monday will be the first time that I have visited the Grand Lodge, what a moment in time for me. On Tuesday the Grand Lodge will be brought too a close. This is something that very few men are fortunate enough to do in their life time. This will be an unforgettable experience for the few men that have become Masters and will represent their Lodge at New York City this year. My humblest thanks to Fairport Lodge #476 for electing me as your master and as your representative at Grand Lodge.

The Fairport Lodge will meet on May 13th to report any business from Grand Lodge and we will have speakers that night from our Brothers, the Shriner's Charles R. Frear, P.P. and Scottish Rite, Ill. Lawrence E. Hood 33.

Interlodge Fellowship is having the Interfaith Service and Breakfast on May 19th. Please plan on attending the services first which will begin promptly at 8:15 am. Interlodge Fellowship is also sponsoring a Golf Tournament at Chili C.C. on June 15th Contact your Master for tickets on both items.

The highlight of the Memorial Day Parade will be the Fairport Masons proudly marching with our brand new aprons! Please let everyone know about this event and plan on wearing your march-

Village Days will set up on

May 31st and run June 1st and 2nd. Please see W. Tom Goodrich for details at Lodge or call 383-1429.

We go back in Lodge to cook dinner for the O.E.S. on June 10th, the speaker will be the President of Fairport Baptist Homes, Garth E. Brokaw. In which he will talk and show his collection of Antique Clocks.

Fairport Lodge will have a "Special Bring A Friend Night" on June 17th, please invite a friend or family member to see this important program, also this dinner will be cooked by the Masons.

All Fairport Masons are then invited to Eastern Star Meeting for their "Master Masons Night" on June 18th. St. Johns Day on June 22 and 23 should be very interesting, is any Lodge Member going? June 24 will be Little League Night at our Lodge. Lastly Masters and Wardens will be sponsoring a family picnic at Camp DeMolay in Sodus Point, New York. This will include all your family members and any friends you would like to bring, the price is only \$3.00 for each person with a dish to pass and your own table setting.

At this writing our Lodge has made enough money to cover the cost of new aprons for the Brothers and Guests through our garage sale. Thanks to Brothers Paul Fisher and Carl Dattel for heading up this event, and Brother Al Miller in finding a person to sew them together. The remaining items from the garage sale will be donated to the Rochester Youth Philharmonic Orchestra who are holding their garage sale at the Fairport Lodge the following weekend.

In Perfect Harmony Fraternally John Lindsay Master

IRESTLEBOARD

Fairport meeting Grand Lodge report plus speaker on Scottish Rite, Larry Hood and the Shrine Group, C.R. Frear May 19

Interfaith Lodge Service - Break-

May 25 Fairport Lodge in Memorial Day Parade

May 31 Fairport Village Days start June 1 & 2

Village Days Sat. & Sunday June 10

O.E.S. Night, Speaker on Antique Clocks, Garth E. Brokaw, President Fairport Baptist Homes: Masons to prepare & serve dinner

Golf Interlodge Fellowship Chili C.C.

June 17 Special "Bring A Friend Night" Masons to cook and serve dinner

Master Mason Night at O.E.S. June 22

St. John's Day at Utica, NY June 24

Little League Recognition Night June 29

Picnic at Camp Demolay Sodus Point Sponsor Masters & Wardens Assc.

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The poem, written in Chaucerian English, is the oldest known Masonic document in existence, the unknown monk who composed it showed a remarkable clarity of understanding about the fraternity of Freemasons of the times, who were, of course, of the Operative workmen. He lists the rules which governed the craft, the relationship between Masters and workmen, the Moral, Civil, Occupational and Religious duties of the Craftsmen. Nearly all the articles set forth in this ancient document, nearly six hundred years old, are as applicable today (in substance) as they were when written.

The final words in the poem are "Amen! and Amen! so mote it be!" "Mote" is an Anglo-Saxon word originally derived from the Saxon word "Motan" meaning "May". It is the ancient "Amen" of the Freemasons.

So Mote It Bc.

(From the Bulletin of Southern California Reserch Lodge)

Charlotte-Corinthian

Lodge No. 1088

Keith Stambach, Master 865-7416 C. William Flemming, Secretary 723-0083

1st & 3rd Tuesdays 7:30 P.M.

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Well, we seem to have caught up with most of our plans since the "Ice Storm" when our March 5th Meeting was cancelled. On March 19th two Brothers were passed to the Degree of Fellowcraft with our J.W. Cliff Short in the East. The Degree was preceded by a beautiful Ham Dinner put on by Charlotte Chapter O.E.S. with over twentyfive in attendance. Bro. Cliff Short and those taking part in the Degree did a fantastic job even though several of our Officers were absent.

On April 2nd we were honored to have the Shrine Past Master's Degree Team confer the 3rd Degree.

Seven of our own Past Masters were part of the Team with yours truly in the East for the first section and Wor. Joseph Privitera in the East for the second section. Noble Derek Van Houten represented the Ill. Potentate Oscar H. Reber and gave a short talk on the Shrine for the benefit of those present. Charlotte Chapter served a fine Swiss Steak Dinner before the Degree with our new Brothers as our quests. Again, we had a good turnout.

Our April 16th meeting was Business Meeting to discuss the upcoming Grand Lodge Communication and get the Brothers opinions on what will be brought up there. We were also pleased to have Wor. Gordon Dodge as our guest to talk to us about the Grotto. We certainly appreciate his taking the time to inform us about another of our Concordant Masonic Bodies.

Our next meeting will be on May 7th and since I will be in New York for Grand Lodge it will be "Move-Up-Night" with our S.W. Mike Staub in the East. I hope many of you will be there to support him and I am sure there will be a great lunch to follow.

The annual Interfaith Service

and Community Service Awards Breakfast will be on Sunday May 19th at 8:15 A.M. at the Main St. Temple. Wor. Stan Allen in-

forms me that many of the past Recipients will be there and also the price will be lower this year. Tickets should be available soon.

O.K.! You asked for it, and we are going to have it. On May 21st we will again have a "Table Lodge" at 6:30 P.M. at Charlotte Temple. As many of you know, this is a great fun time with a Ham Dinner put on by Charlotte Chapter O.E.S. and plenty of liquid refreshments. Our regular meeting will follow at 7:30 P.M. when I will report on the Grand Lodge Proceedings. Reservations for the Table Lodge Dinner can be made in Lodge or by calling Bro. Cliff Shore at 225-0464 or Bro. Frank Jansson at 227-6132 before May 17th.

The Lodge Family Pienic this year will be on June 16th at Braddocks Bay Park and since the Brunch was cancelled we will endeavor to make this the best picnic ever with a much better menu and more activities. Bring your family and friends and enjoy a great Fathers Day. More on this in the next issue regarding price,

Sickness and Distress

It was reported in Lodge that Wor. Stan Allen lost his sister and our sympathy goes out to he and his family. Wor. Bro. Floyd Bedoar has had a lens implant by now, Bro. Nick Vlahos had his hand operated on and we wish them a speedy recovery. R.W. Bro. Bert Steene is entering the hospital on April 15th for another operation and let us all keep him in our prayers for success this time and a rapid recovery so we will see him soon in Lodge again. Keep fighting Bert.

On a happier note, "Happy Birthday" to those celebrating in May. Glenn R. Merritt, Thomas H. Barr, Jr., Alfred J. Bowers, Charles R. Frear, William A. Scrymgeour, Jr., A. Edward Hagerman, Fay S. Corbett, James W. Smith, Norman W. Brown, Donald Gehm, James W. Gisleson, Robert C. Benson, Jr., Herbert P. Farr, George B. Tyler, Stanley J. Phillips, Robert T. Robinson, Adam Keilman, Jr., Benjamin Silver, Donald B. Wilbur, Roger H. Cottrel, Victor L. Gundrum, Charles A. Miller, Leonard J. Lang, Ernest W. Maurer, Robert W. Knorr, Harry W. Buss, Edward R. Capauldy,

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Lodge No. 479

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

133 South Union St. Spencerport, N.Y. 14559

Brethren:

Greetings to all.

On March 25, the Second Degree was conferred.

During our March Blood Drive, we collected 18 pints. The low count was blamed on the recent ice storm.

April 1st we catered a supper for Etolian Chapter OES. The ladies thanked us for the delicious meal and the privilege of not having to do KP after their annual Birthday Dinner.

April 8th, W. David Mawhiney gave an interesting talk and slide show on the Masonic Home at Utica. The slides showed resident activities, the impressive rooms, and the expansive grounds. The talk offered more insight into the home and the availability of space for both Masonic and non-Masonic

At this writing, several programs have been planned but not confirmed. May 13 will bring a discussion on the continuance of Ladies Night as a separate event. If you have an opinion on this topic, please attend to express it so a decision can be made to the best benefit of the Lodge. June 13 is the annual Fireman's Parade. Please attend the parade to honor our firemen for their efforts in saving our lives and property in the event we should experience a fire. We will also be honoring our returning service people for the job they performed in the Gulf War. Other programs of interest are in the planning stages. Don't miss the action; attend Lodge often. Fraternally,

Trestleboard May 13 Stated Communication June 3 Etolian Chapter's

Sideliners Night

Thomas Michielsen

Master

352-4831

Walter P. Pagel, Walter W. Doescher, Alan L. Weaver, John W. Parker, William C. Collister, and Martin E. Chauncey.

Dues

Brethren, check your Dues Card and see if it is current and if not send your check in today while you are thinking about it. Our Secretary will send out your card with the Lodge's thanks for participating.

Fraternally, Wor. Keith Stambach

Trestleboard May 6 & 7 Grand Lodge May 7 Move Up Night May 19 Interfaith Service and Community Service Awards May 21

Table Lodge at 6:30 & Master's Report on Grand Lodge

Lodge Strawberry Festival

June 16 Lodge Picnic at Braddocks Bay May .

Masonic Activities 1991

By R. . W .. John Dense,

Please submit any dates for events; Call 288-2990

4	Scottish Rite Reunion Banquet-Holiday Inn

Genesee Plaza May 6-7 Grand Lodge-New York City Masonic Service Bureau Meeting May 8

Noon Executive Committee and Chairmen

Downtown Temple

May 15 May 16 LALLA ROOKH GROTTO Ceremonial Scottish Rite-Election and Installation of Officers

May 16 May 17 May 18 O.E.S. Grand Matrons Visit

Past Masters Supper Club Masters and Wardens Oatka-Scottsville

May 19 Interfaith Service and Breakfast June 3 O.E.S.-District Grand Lecturer Homecoming

June 6 O.E.S.-Lilac Luncheon

June 7 Purple Club

June 8 Philalethes Society Breakfast

June 12 Masonic Service Bureau Regular Meeting Noon Maplewood Inn

June 14-15

Council of Deliberation Fellowship Committee Golf Tournament June 15

O.E.S.-Grand Representative Homecoming O.E.S.-District Deputy Homecoming St. John's Weekend - Utica June 21 June 21-23

Picnic at Camp DeMolay Boys Session - Camp Turk June 29 July 7-27 O.E.S.-Oriskany Pilgrimage Girls Session - Camp Turk July 27 July 28-Aug 17 July 28 Past Masters Supper Club

August 10 August 10 **Grotto Gulf Tournament** Grand Masters Day at Camp Turk

Scottish Rite Outing-Party House, Beahan Rd. Scottish Rite - All Bodies Meeting--7:30 p.m. Masonic Service Bureau Regular Meeting Aug. 23 Sept.5 Masonic Service Bureau Sept. 12

Evening Maplewood Inn Annual Conclave of Grand Commandery Sept. 20-22

Knights Templar Bureau of Masonic Education-Leadership Sept. 21

Correspondence
Retiring Grand Lodge Officers and
Apron Presentation Dinner Sept. 27

Past Masters Supper Club Sept. 27 Sept. 28 Masters and Wardens Henrietta

Purple Club Sept 30 School of Ritual-1st Degree

Masonic Service Bureau Meeting Oct. 9 Noon Executive Committee and Chairmen

Downtown Temple

Visit to Canandalgua VA Medical Center
Grand Chapter O.E.SNiagara Falls
Scottish Rite Ladies Nite
Grand Lecturer's Convention
Past Masters Supper Club
Masters and Wardens Winter Party,
Green Acres Country Club
Grand Lodge Western Region Seminar
O.E.S. District Banquet
Scottish Rite Family Night
Zone #11Knight Templar Pilgrimage
Visit to Canandalgua VA Medical Center
Masonic Service Bureau Regular Meeting
Noon Downtown Temple
Scottish Rite Fall Reunion
Past Masters Supper Club
Masters and Wardens-Webster
Scottish Rite Awards Nite
Masonic Service Bureau-Annual Meeting
Noon Maplewood Inn
School of Ritual-Opening, Closing, Balloting
Joint Investiture

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Masonic Service Bureaus'

Annual Charities & Scholarships Award Luncheon

Wednesday - June 19, 1991 12:00 O'Clock Noon

The Depot Restaurant 41 North Main St., Pittsford

\$10.00 Per Person Donation

Tickets may be reserved by calling either:

Don Brown - 442-1169 = = = Gary Burke - 865-4940

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	The state of the s		1	2 Hesperus-Past Master's Night Presentation of Certificates Northfield-Dinner/Program Webster-Dinner/Presentation	3	4
5	6 John Robertson-Past Master's Night/Program Grand Lodge Convenes in New York City	7 Clio-Move up Night Germania-Moeting / Dinner Social Charlotte-Corinthian-Move-up Night Craftsman-Meeting and 2° Rehearsal Henrietta-3° Rehearsal Towpath-Move-up Night	8 Churchville-Past Master's Night	9 Webster-Fellowcraft	10	11 Hesperus-Chicken Bar-B-Q Seneca-GEVA Night
12	13 Etolian-Meeting Fairport-Dinner, Meeting, Speaker East Rochester Ancient Craft- DSA Award, Speaker Wakan-Hubbard-Meeting, Special Program Union Star-Meeting, Award	14 Henrietta-Meeting Towpath-Fellowcraft Fame-Dinner, Awards Seneca-3**		16 Hesperus-3" and Supper Northfield-Speaker Webster-Awards Night	17 Union Star-Fishing Trip	18 Union Star-Fishing Trip Henristta-Ham Dinner Northfield-Ladie's Night Masters-Wardens O-AT-KA Scottsville Lodge
Interfaith Service and Breakfast, Community Service Award	20 John Robertson-Meeting and Program Union Star-2*	21 Clio-2° Charlotte-Corinthian-Table Lodge Craftsman-2° Henrietta-Dinner/3° Rehearsal Towpath-Dinner/Program	22 Churchville-3°	23 Webster-Shelf Night	24 Towpeth-May 24 to 26 Canada Visit	25 Fairport-Parade
26	27 Wakan-Hubbard-No Meeting	28 Henrietta-3° Fame-Move-up Night	29	30	31 Fairport-Village Days	
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