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Will Hiram survive the Convention?

**A solitary figure enters one of the most prestigious buildings of his time...
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Still leading with *IMPACT* New Officers Accept the Grand Master's Challenge



**Grand Master
Richard P. Thomas**

Motivational Systems will coordinate the same leadership skills programming in the Regional Seminars this year as they have given during two weekends, one in June and another in August, for the new District Deputies and Staff Officers from all corners of the State. It is the Grand Master's contention that we now have the best trained, best prepared and most experienced group of Grand Lodge officers in the history of New York State Freemasonry.

"Almost half of the 'new' officers served us last year and are staying to keep the momentum going", says Grand Secretary Robert C. Singer. Considering the successes of the Utica programs, and last year's regional seminars, *Motivational Systems* is continuing with the Regional Leadership Seminars, such as the one being held in Rochester (simultaneously with one in Buffalo) on October 26, 1991.

The bottom line is that Grand Lodge wants to help all Masonic officers improve their abilities to get across their ideas and effectively manage their Districts, Lodges and programs. There was an air of determination to make an *impact* on their Districts, while District officers were in Utica, and this carries over into the Seminars.

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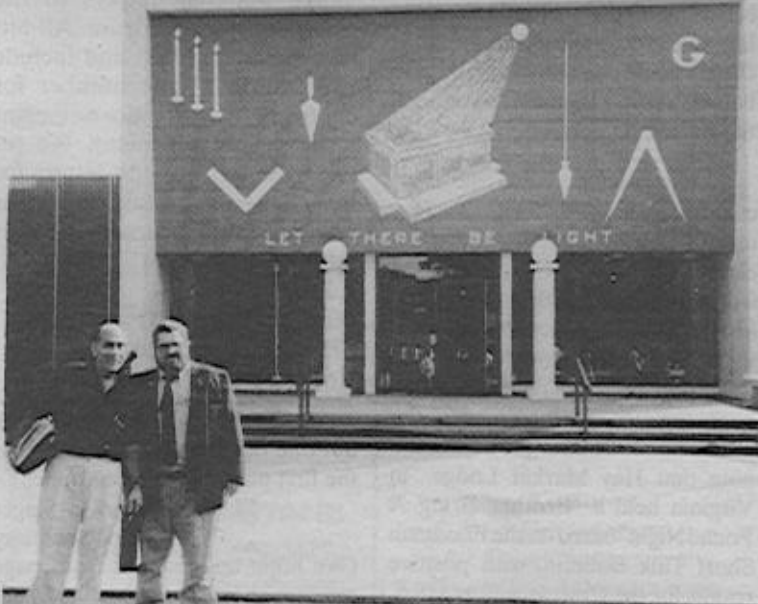
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New Grand Lodge Leadership Services Committee meets in Utica

Pictured are R. W. Larry Hammel, Jr., and W. Richard C. Friedman, Grand Lodge Chairman and member respectively of the Grand Lodge Leadership Services Committee. They were attending a meeting of the Committee held in Utica on September 9th. and stand before the Administration Building and Auditorium.

Other local members of the Committee are: R. W. A. Wayne Engbrecht, R. W. Jay McCullough

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What about the castardly RUFFIANS? What will KING SOLOMON have to say about this? These MYSTERIES, and MORE, will be answered by none other than Sovereign Grand Inspector General Calvin G. BOND at the GRAND LECTURER'S CONVENTION, Monday, October 21, 1991.

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who were also in attendance, and Brother Ted Honea. The mission of the Committee is "to develop, empower and motivate Grand Lodge Officers, Lodge Officers and all Brothers in becoming more effective Masonic leaders". Primary goals and objectives have been laid out so efforts correlate with the Grand Master's intent to create more effective future leaders of the Craft in New York State. This entails reviews and, where necessary improvements in the Grand Lodge Masonic Correspondence Course, completing a booklet of Service Letters, revising the Officers Training Guide, and working all in concert with the Grand Lodge Education Committee and others with a vested interest, in such a way as to avoid redundancy or duplication of effort. The group was excited and enthusiastic following these initial deliberations. They will come together again later this year with some assigned individual projects to be reviewed.

The Leadership Services Committee Chairmen of the Monroe Districts have commenced their local efforts in concert with the Grand Lodge Committee activities. Their article can be found elsewhere in this issue of the Times.

Never mistake motion for action.

Ernest Hemingway

We have a prime rib festive board we don't have a tradition of "firing our toasts". We have the *spirit* as we attend this annual Convention! Let's take advantage of the opportunity to continue to smooth the "rough ashlar" of our knowledge about the ritual of the Craft we love. We can also enjoy some brotherly companionship in the process!

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EDITORIAL

Compass points - to ponder:

Is it true, as has been written in the Philaethes magazine, that the primary responsibility of the Blue or Symbolic Lodge, is to make Masons, to Masonically educate them, and to foster the social, fraternal and charitable amenities that should adorn Craft life in the primary community of the Lodge?

The article further discusses the role of appendant bodies being more circumscribed. "They should be nothing but reliquary societies". They preserve and foster the ancient mythic and symbolic treasure represented by the complex of Freemasonry's appendant degrees. They enhance and elaborate upon the consciousness to which each brother is awakened in the Sublime degree of Master Mason.

Freemasons in this modern age, no longer have the luxury of treating each Masonic body as if it were a miniature Lodge, of insisting on monthly meetings of each York and Scottish Rite body, of giving each a full program of Masonic education, lectures, films, ladies nights, and social events. To perpetuate the notion that each appendant body in the Craft must be a "full-service institution" in the way that a Blue Lodge should be, is to do a grave injustice to the leaders of the Craft. They will inevitably diffuse their time, talent and energies, which should of right be concentrated in their lodges, and which will be spread over all the Masonic institutions in which they claim membership. . .

Are we Masons slow to recognize that it's "the organization as a whole" that is foremost in importance to survival of the Craft? Everyone speaks to this being a time of restoration, renewal and also, modernization in all bodies of Masonry. Notice that while we speak that way, we continue to focus on our own lodge, chapter, council, etc. when we attempt change.

For example, as Masters and Wardens of our respective lodges, our attendance at monthly M&W Association meetings sure doesn't show that we recognize the advantages of considering "the organization as a whole". We don't seem to see the potential for building on the successes and avoiding the failures of our peers by being in their presence and learning of their experiences first hand.

We seem to jealously guard our resources. After all, charity begins at home. A common pool for the common good does not appeal to us. Yet, our Masonic ancestors in the Monroe Districts established a Service Bureau through which we would share our largesse with the surrounding community of man. Today, we in our individual lodges say "let them fend for themselves, what we have is ours for our own locale".

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How often do we review each other's trestleboards to take advantage of programs that "the other" lodge or body has prepared? For example, when other lodges have candidates going through degrees, do we invite them to join with our candidates, combining our talents to give these newly arriving members the most positive feelings about the Craft as a whole, or do we get parochial again because we don't want to share with "the organization as a whole".

What might we achieve by reawakening to the value of using our common organizations as focal points, as resource centers, as providers for the common good? Let's renew our encouragement of new brothers attendances at County-wide functions, such as educational sessions; let's encourage centralization of funds that we come into possession of, for the greater good in our community charitable and philanthropic works. Our time and talent is equally of value in this respect - many hands make - - -

How about our use of the Committees in our Craft? It's difficult to create them out of a few brothers in our own "active" group these days, but we do have those members of District Committees, and even local representatives of Grand Lodge Committees, who would be willing to share their knowledge and experience with local bodies, and be a tool or resource for them. How often do we use these members of the "organization as a whole" for the benefit of our lodge brethren in the Monroe and Genesee-Wyoming Districts? We create Lodge trestleboards which only show a business meeting when we could have a brief program which educates, entertains and otherwise makes it worthwhile for a brother to come to lodge on a weekday evening.

Are there still areas where the Craft of Masonry would be better served through the merging of two or more bodies into one? Would such change be better for the "organization as a whole"?

Finally, as compass points to ponder, are there areas in our community where we could better serve the "organization as a whole" by creating new lodges? There are pockets where the population is large but not well served by the Craft, don't you think? This has been noted in previous years in articles in this paper but we have not pooled our resources in such a way as to act on such change. W.: Gordon Dodge notes that in some countries where he has visited lodges, Grand Lodges require that when the membership in a lodge reaches 60 brethren, they are at maximum strength and must assist in creating a new body with those who would cause the roll to exceed that number. Is that another direction for us to consider locally? Keeping lodges at a maximum number of members, rather than merging to increase those numbers? Is there strength in numbers, or numbers of active members? As said at the outset, points to ponder. . .

It has been noted in the local community that the Executive Secretary of the Masonic Service Association, Richard E. Fletcher, PGM was "very pleased" with the Friedman article "Masonry's Key Ingredient" a in the Northern Light (reprinted in this issue of the Times). He had been the one to recommend the article be sent there. He also made note that Hay Market Lodge in Virginia held a "Brother Bring A Friend Night" based on the Friedman Short Talk Bulletin, with positive results for the Craft as well as MSA.

A NEW BROTHER SAYS:

By Bro. Jed K. Brandow

Having been granted the opportunity to write on a topic of my choice, I decided not to editorialize but rather relate some personal feelings.

As I approached my thirties I was filled with a sense of unfulfilled potential. This feeling was not just for myself, but for my fellow man as well. I sensed that an attitude of greed and selfishness surrounded many in the world, particularly in my own generation. I had a bad feeling about the future. In short, I had lost faith, not in the Grand Architect of the Universe, but in my fellow man.

I decided the only way to make any kind of difference, to effect any kind of change, was to make some changes in my own life. I wanted to get involved and make a difference, rather than sit back and comment on all the problems in the world. I felt thankful for the many blessings I had been given and wanted to give a little back.

It was with these feelings and this purpose in mind that I began to think of the fraternity that had meant so much to my Grandfather. The Masonic Lodge had been a large and joyous part of his life and the lives of so many he had come in contact with.

Many wonderful lessons have been learned since I was initiated an Entered Apprentice in Ark Lodge No.33. The greatest lesson however, is that by giving a little back one receives so much in return. In the short time I have spent in the Craft I have made some of the best friends I have ever had, or likely will have. The sense of fellowship and caring has been unlike anything I have ever experienced.

As I continue to learn and grow within the Fraternity the sense of un-fulfilled potential decreases steadily. I have found that there is a way to make a difference. The world can be a better place. Charity is its own reward.

To each and every one of you reading this, and to all my Brothers I have yet to meet, I want to say "Thank You". My faith in my fellow man has been restored, and I know it shall never again leave me. Man's potential truly is unlimited.

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The paper looks fine this month but one observation I have is that the first page needs more punch!
M.:W.:Robert C. Singer
Grand Secretary
(We hope this month's front page meets with your approval! Ed.)

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Allan Boudreau, Ph.D.
Director, Chancellor Livingston Library and Museum

When I spotted the piece about "the good Doctor in Geneva" in the September issue of the Times, because of the picture showing him "at rest", I spontaneously blamed it on Ted Honea -- until I saw the name of the new Editor! The scoundrel has been found out and even though it is he, the piece was well written (I don't claim credit since this was copied from the Ark Lodge Newsletter - Ed)
R.:W.: John H. Stelter, Ark Lodge #33, Geneva

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MASONRY AND THE DOLLAR BILL

A Response to an Article in the *New York Times*

NOTE: On Sunday, August 4, 1991 the *New York Times* ran a story about possible Masonic significance of the design of the dollar bill.

The following are excerpts of a letter from our Grand Secretary, M. W. Robert C. Singer, to the Editor of the Times.

Responsible authorities would agree, I believe, that there is no proof of a Masonic connection, and concur in the point that the Masons and the Great Seal designers (one or two of whom were Masons) might very well have used parallel sources. Why not just say that they both had good taste and let it go at that?

My difference with Mr. (Jed) Stevenson (author of the article) is over his comment: "Who wants to think that a national symbol is linked with a secret organization?"

There is nothing secret about an organization that meets in well labeled buildings, whose members wear all sorts of Masonic insignia, and which performs all sorts of public and community service across the nation in its own name.

Why would anyone *not* want to be linked with an organization whose membership included George Washington, Benjamin Franklin, nine signers of the Declaration of Independence, 13 signers of the Constitution, etc.?

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Three Lessons

There are three lessons I would write
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 In tracings of eternal light
 Upon the hearts of Men.

Have Faith. where'er thy bark is driven
 The calm's disport, the tempest's mirth
 Know this: God rules the hosts of heaven
 The inhabitants of earth.

Have Hope. Though clouds environ round
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Friedrich von Schiller

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MEMBERSHIP

District Deputy Grand Master For the First Monroe District

By R..W.. Charles Spiegel, Jr.

Nearly every time we pick up an article relating to Freemasonry it is clear that the main subject is MEMBERSHIP. Why do you suppose that subject is so important? If we really analyze the material it becomes crystal clear that without Membership no organization can exist. Membership then becomes the prime ingredient for longevity. How then can an organization go about increasing its Membership?

One of the most important factors required to increase Membership is to be able to answer this question--"What's in it for me?", or as we say "W.L.I.F.M.?"

Programs for Age Groups

It is necessary to provide programs and events that interest the age group involved. If the group ranges in age from 30 to 50 then it is necessary to find programs of interest to that particular group. The recent survey conducted by Grand Lodge revealed that men between the ages of 21-40 need to be involved in some type of Community Projects. They need to feel that their efforts will help benefit their friends and neighbors and maybe even relieve some pain and suffering. Have you looked around your community to see what could be done to fit this requirement?

Program Information

Grand Lodge provides volumes of information of how to plan programs and implement them so that the interest of the group can be maintained. Your Grand Lodge Officers in the Monroe Districts will be conducting planning sessions for Lodge Officers to enable them to properly plan their programs for the upcoming year. It is our sincere hope that the officers will avail themselves of these opportunities.

Strong Leaders


Leadership goes along with Mem-

ments to have a successful organization. That is why our Grand Master M..W.. Richard P. Thomas has seen to it that every Grand Lodge Officer received special training in Leadership techniques. He wants every Lodge in the State to be exciting and vibrant and full of life. He recognizes that this cannot be done without enthusiastic capable leaders.

We not only need good strong leaders for our lodges to insure growth, but we also need dedicated interested members assisting in all the programs and events which will make them memorable for all concerned.

As the new Masonic season gets underway, let us all dedicate ourselves to improving our lodge and our Fraternity in any way that we can. We will all be better for the effort.

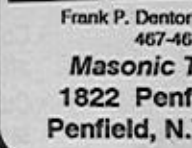
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By S..W.. Wayne McCrossen

Because of the serious illness of our Master, W.. John Irvine, this will be my first attempt at writing an article for the Masonic Times and I hope that I can do as well as he has done.

I would like to express my thanks to R..W.. Stan Peterson who pre-

sided in the East on Past Masters' Night and to all the Past Masters who filled the chairs. Also, a big thank you to all the Brothers who helped in the conferral of the First Degree last month. I am sure that the candidates enjoyed the degree.

Our first meeting this month will be the Official Visit of our District Deputy Grand Master, our own R..W.. Charles Spiegel, and I am sure that all of you will want to be present as an expression of your support. The meeting will be preceded by a dinner which will be put on for us by the ladies of Irondequoit Chapter, O.E.S., and you should receive a call for your reservation. Our second October meeting on the 28th will see J..W.. Andy Young in the East for the conferral of the Second Degree.

As I am writing this, I have been informed that there will be a testimonial dinner for our own R..W.. Paul J. Rogers, the newly retired Editor of this paper in recognition of his fine work, and that M..W.. Robert C. Singer, Grand Secretary, will be the guest speaker. I am sure there will be more information about this elsewhere in this issue.

NEWS AND VIEWS

By Don Bell

It was good to see the fine turnout at both of the September meetings. Among those present on September 8th was W.. Cecil Holden who resides in England and can rarely attend our meetings. At that same meeting, R..W.. Robert Zollweg, presently District Deputy Grand Master of Ontario-Seneca-Yates District as well as a Past Master of Wakan-Hubbard, acted as Senior Warden, and did a very fine job.

As of this writing, W.. Milton Richardson is awaiting triple by-pass surgery, and both Brother Dan Jones and Brother George Goodman have had quadruple by-pass surgery and are home recuperating. We also hear that Brother Jim Radcliffe is in Rochester General after suffering a stroke and that W.. Jack Ryan is taking therapy and recovering from a broken hip.

We extend our sincerest condolences to S..W.. Wayne McCrossen on the loss of his grandmother and to W.. Joe and Brother Charles Dimino on the death of their mother.

A "well done" goes to Brother Roger McCaughey for helping others by furnishing transportation for a baby to the Shrine Crippled Childrens Hospital in Erie, PA recently.

We received a nice note on behalf of Brother Lew Weekes who recently celebrated his 80th birthday. He is now living in Las Cruces, New Mexico, and although he is feeling much better, he still has difficulty in getting around.

The Brothers of Wakan-Hubbard will be putting on a dinner for Irondequoit Chapter O.E.S. on October 7, and our newly affiliated brother, W.. Brian Pursey, will be the chef. Considering the superb dinner he cooked for our Lodge last winter, the ladies are in for a real treat!

Grand Director of Ceremonies Of the Grand Lodge Of New York



R..W.. A. Wayne Engbrecht.

MASONRY IS EDUCATION IS LEADERSHIP

By R..W.. A. Wayne Engbrecht

To become a good leader requires knowledge and education of your subject. It also requires leadership skills and inspiration to teach our friends and brothers to follow us and someday to also become a leader. To improve yourself in Masonry takes time, devotion to study to improve yourself in the educational aspects of our craft, and some leadership skills and qualities so you can reach out and touch followers.

Grand Lodge is doing their part by having Motivational Systems, the same professional organization that ran the program for the new Grand Lodge Officers in Utica and the 1990 Leadership Seminars. They bring over 20 years of experience in running communication training programs for America's blue-chip companies. Last year's seminars were a sell-out and we expect the same again this year. The theme is "Leading with Impact".

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When: Saturday, October 26, 1991

Time: 7:00-8:15 a.m. Registration w/coffee/donuts
1:00-2:00 Lunch
4:00-4:30 Finale

Cost: \$10.00-includes coffee, donuts, lunch and seminar materials. Grand Lodge absorbs the balance of the cost because they feel it's very important for you to attend.

Now, do your part - DON'T DELAY - make out your application sent to you or use one provided elsewhere in this issue.

The Grand Master is requesting a minimum of 4 attend from each Lodge and of prime importance are the Wardens and Lodge line officers. Support your seminars, they are for you.

Human Touch

Some quotable quotes on Leadership...with a human touch:

The three secrets of success in public speaking are: be sincere, be brief, be seated.

It's nice to be important, but it's more important to be nice.

Don't ever be afraid to admit you were wrong. It's like saying you're wiser today than you were yesterday.

All of us are born for a reason, but all of us don't discover why. Success in life has nothing to do with what you gain in life or accomplish

East Rochester's Ancient Craft Lodge No. 943

R..W.. 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

By Brother Donald G. Moore
Geese

The geese are in a southerly pattern heading for a warm climate for the winter, as well as several of our members. That means that very soon we will be smelling the smoke coming from the chimneys, and there will be a chill in the air that tells us winter is just around the corner. Beautiful western New York will be wearing her Gold and Red. By now you must be wondering what all of this has to do with the Masonic order. Well for one thing, we will miss having the snow birds among us when the Master adorns his Topper and sounds the gavel in the East.

The lodge has come back to life, by the time you receive this there will have been our two meetings for September. First meeting was a regular meeting, had a pasta dinner to start the second half of the year. Thanks to Brother Jim Johnson for his help in the kitchen. Jim is always just a phone call away when help is needed. Miss having W.. John Setley lending a helping hand, he too was only a phone call away. For those of you who did not know, John now resides in the Sunshine State.

Official Visit

Our second meeting will have been the Official Visit of DDGM Charles C. Spiegel, Jr. There will have been two mile stones reached also that night; we will have presented a 60 year emblem to Past Master (1939) Albert C. Truman and 50 year emblem to Brother Glenwood E. Heiber.

Dues

For those of you who have not yet paid your 1991 dues, please do so in the near future. As you know, in a short while the dues notices for 1992 will be coming out. Along with that notice will come a note from your Brotherhood Chairman asking for a contribution, you may include it along with your yearly dues. If you want it earmarked for a certain place, all you need do is drop a note in with your check, state where you want it to go, and we will see to it that it goes to the right department. You can mail it to Leon R. Perkins - 6527 Break of Day Road - Victor, New York 14564-9584 or Donald G. Moore - 522 West Filbert Street - East

The photograph in last month's issue of the Masonic Times, concerning the Baseball Team was taken by W.. Norman Barrett. Norm is one of our in-house photographers.

Purple Cross

Brother Fred Holderle will soon be receiving the Purple Cross. That is the highest award given by the York Rite. He will be traveling to Houston, Texas in June to receive his award. A Tip of the Topper to Fred. By the way, Bro. Fred has been a member of ERAC for 53 years, being raised in Ancient Craft Lodge.

for yourself. It's what you do for others.

Enjoy the greatest fraternity in the world and "Let There Be Light". See you around the District, the pleasure is worth far more than the time.

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Tuxedo Park

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PRESIDENT

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GREECE • Buckman's Plaza 227-1550

WEBSTER Lodge No. 538

W. Mark Fenton, Master
265-3907
Stoian Ellia, Secretary
671-3296

1st & 3rd Thursdays

7:30 P.M.

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

By W. Mark V. Fenton

Here it is, time to write another article. How time flies when you are having fun - and I am having fun as your Master this year. If you missed the opening Corn and Sausage Roast you missed a good meal and some good times. Many thanks to our Jr. Warden, Greg and his team for a super meal - and the price was sure right. While I'm at it, thanks to R. W. Don McTarnaghan for calling my attention to the fact that one of our brothers was improperly clothed at the start of the meeting that followed.

Purple Apron

I am pleased that you were able, after a fashion, to get the right apron on R. W. Wayne Engbrecht - it sure looks great, and I know all of the brethren of Webster Lodge are very proud of the newest addition to the "Thomas Team". All the best, R. W. Wayne. We look forward to working with you in making this a most successful year.

As I am writing this we are only a few days away from our first degree of the Fall season. I know it is going to be great, as usual for Webster Lodge, so I am going to congratulate W. Bruce in advance and to join Bro. Greg in thanking him for jumping in when Greg had to take an unscheduled trip to Europe. Hope you had a good time, Greg. Also by the time you receive this the 1991 Ionic Lodge visit will be history. If you missed it, well, what can I say.

Birthdays

Make sure you wish the following brothers a Happy Birthday. Paul Moore (9/9) - sorry I missed this one Paul, error in the records; 10/13 Ken Hutchinson; 10/15 Ed Rogers; 10/16 Charles Vevera, Ashley Palmer; 10/17 Frank Andrews; Harry Brewer; 10/19 Stanford Kussie, Jay Price; 10/20 Bob LaDue; 10/22 David Stockmeister, Henry Willard; 10/24

John McGory, David Bryant; 10/28 Wilber Hinkston; 10/30 Nick Haldoupis; 10/31 Ken Doane; 11/8 Dan Van Dorn. If I missed yours, please call W. Steve - ask him to update his files.

Guess that's all for now - don't forget the Endowment Fund (send your check to Bro. Vance Collom) nor the Brotherhood Fund (send your check to Bro. Greg Brown). See you in Lodge.

October Dates

October 13 Second Degree rehearsal - 7:00 p.m. at the Lodge. This is a "must" for all officers and other participants.

October 19 Chicken Barbecue.

This is our "big" moneyraising event for the Fall. W. Bruce has volunteered to head this one up - but he is going to need "all" of our help to make this a success.

November 7 "Bring a Friend Night". To make this a success we "all" need to bring a guest - and as an added incentive, there will be no charge for the dinner - not only for the "friend", but for the brother bringing his friend. I know that our Sr. Warden, who is also Membership Chairman, has a great night planned. Let's have a big class for the Spring. Don't worry, I am sure we can get permission to initiate more than five.

DeWitt Clinton Award

Received a call from one of our brothers just after he received the September issue of the Masonic Times. He correctly reminded me that I "goofed" and forgot to call your attention to the fact that we presented the very first Webster area DeWitt Clinton Award to a most deserving Webster community volunteer, Mrs. Elinore O'Brien, at our June 6 meeting. This truly was an inspiring meeting. Many thanks, Elinore, for all of the time and effort assisting others for so many years.

On Thursday June 6, 1991, Webster Lodge # 538 F. & A. M., presented the first local Webster area DeWitt Clinton Award. The person honored by the Grand Lodge of Masons of the State of New York was Mrs. Elinor O'Brien, recently retired after 30 years of service as Secretary of the Webster Community Chest.

Mrs. O'Brien began volunteering with the Webster Community Chest in the mid-1950's when door-to-door campaigning was the rule. She has been involved in human services for most of her life. She is employed by the Monroe County Office for the Aging and currently administers the entire program. Mrs. O'Brien is the mother of three children.

Webster #538 Presents DeWitt Clinton Award



Mrs. Elinor O'Brien and Webster Lodge #538 Master W. Mark Fenton on the occasion after the DeWitt Clinton Award presentation at Webster Temple. The Award inscription reads: "In recognition of outstanding service to the community which exemplifies the ancient Masonic teachings of concern for the well-being of mankind and of belief in the worldwide brotherhood of man."

SENECA LODGE No. 797



Raymond Grandall, 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

By W. Ray Crandall

Our 1991 program is featuring our biannual visit with St. Andrews AF&AM No. 16 GRC in Toronto, Canada. This represents the 77th year of these visits and is Seneca's turn to travel to Toronto. It is a demonstration of the truly wonderful leveling aspect of our Craft, when we can travel across the border to another nation and know before we get there so much about our hosts and hostesses. The friendships developed during these visits endure over the years.

Masonic Principles

Through these visits and friendships the true principles for which Masonry stands come to the foreground and make us proud to be Masons. Our Lodge Education Chairman, Larry E. Foster, Senior Deacon Bob Franzen and Senior

MONROE Lodge No. 173

W. Tom F. Rauber
Master
964-2593



W. James P. Branigan, Secretary
964-3676

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

67 Main Street
Brockport, N.Y. 14420

By W. Thomas F. Rauber

There has been considerable effort expended over the summer to improve our Temple's appearance as well as afford structural protection. Trustees W. George Brege, W. Gerald Werner and W. Melvin Doverspike, assisted by 2 or 3 other brothers, contributed about 200 man hours to refurbishing the wall panels in the main Lodge room; painting and repairing the walls and window casings in the dining room and the club room; making repairs to the bookstore areas, and then doing the fire escape, rear parking area and encapsulating cellar steam pipes to meet Monroe County Health Department standards. All was completed, because of the amount of volunteer labor, for less than \$1000.

The Lodge wishes to congratulate R. W. Robert E. Rudman on his elevation to the Presidency of the Monroe Districts Purple Club.

Our Sr. Warden Jim McNeese has sold his Brockport holdings and now resides in the Canandaigua area. He expects to continue his Monroe Lodge duties - taking the I-o-n-g commute! We wish him safe travel through the winter months ahead and are happy that he continues with his Brockport Masonic home!

Master of Ceremonies, Dick Shellman have put together a laminated card, the size of a credit or business card, that describes the principles of Free Masonry. These cards are useful as a focus for those casual discussions that occasionally arise from an inquiry of what Masonry is about. They can be handed to particularly interested men for their future reference should more questions arise. This card is a particularly wonderful effort on the part of all these officers, and I especially wish to thank Larry for his leadership in bringing the idea to fruition.

Grand Lodge Officers

Seneca Lodge has just recognized four of its' members in the Grand Lodge Officers Recognition dinner, but Seneca has several others active in Grand Lodge and I wish to express our gratitude for their efforts.

R. W. Steve Whittaker, Chairman Masonic Development Committee

R. W. Norm Selke, Consultant, Restoration Committee
Hon. Fran Horton, Distinguished Achievement Award Committee
W. Bob Green, Camp Turk Committee

R. W. Hon. Ellsworth VanGraafeiland, Member, Commission of Appeals

Often times their work is not readily visible, but it is that kind of work that over the long term is most important and helps to provide direction to the activity in the quarries. Thank you, Gentlemen.

We have a petitioner and it is highly likely that we will have a First Degree in October with the 2nd and 3rd Degrees to follow in November and December.

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

By W. John Lindsay

WOW! Five more meetings to the end of the year. Two of which are Degree Nights, one Official Visit, one Move Up Night, and the last one is Annual Communication. This should end the year by achieving 100% of your Master's 1991 Goals given in the back of your Program which was mailed in the beginning of the year. Maybe one of my brothers can tell me what was on the front of the cover just above my name, if so be the first to let me know for a small prize.

Communicate

Did you like the way the new Masonic Times was set up? Let me know. Have you heard of anybody who is sick or has become a shut-in?

Happy Birthday

Say Happy Birthday to W. Edward T. Goodrich; Elliott T. Baker; Warham W. Quinlan; Marcel S. Goldenberg; Howard W. Robinson; Christopher J. Insalace (who has just moved to the Binghamton area because of a new job-all the best Chris); M. Wayne A. Beckwith; Robert L. Hershey; Warren L. Churchill; Charles T. Gillens; W. Allen B. Fowler; Richard K. Bible; Kenneth F. Blohm; Douglas M. Snyder; Richard Ryser; Fred R. Huffman; Samuel C. Beckley. These are for this month of October.

God be with you till we meet again.



Thomas J. Belt, Master
225-9694 (Office 722-5701)
Richard Snyder, Secretary
342-2419 (Office 586-4624)

2nd Tuesday
7:30 P.M.

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

By W. Thomas J. Belt

We had a business meeting on the 9th of September and had the opportunity to listen to Nancy McWilliams, who spoke of her work with teenagers in the fight against drugs. Nancy is the director of the SOBER program which provides recovering drug abusers a chance to socialize in a drug free environment.

Second Degree

On the 24th, we had a 2nd Degree with two candidates. I would like to thank Bro. Grant Romer and all who helped with the degree. Special thanks go to Bro. Ted Honea who performed the Middle Chamber Lecture and, as usual, did a wonderful job.

Awards Night

On the 8th of October, we will be having an Awards Night and short business meeting. Plan on attending and see some of the brethren that you may not have seen in the Lodge for some time. We will have a third degree on October 22nd; we will be doing all the floor work for the second section, so please come out and support both the candidates and the members of the Lodge as they perform the degree. We will be having a dinner before our meetings, so come early and enjoy the fellowship. Dinner reservations may be made by calling R. W. Dave Clarke at 889-9134 or W. Don Brown at 44-1169 by October 3rd.

Flower City Lodge No. 910

W. Herbert Hirsch, Master
266-2390
R. W. Phillip Averbach,
Secretary 458-1817

2nd Tuesday
7:30 P.M.

Masonic Temple
875 Main St. East
Rochester, N.Y. 14605

CLIO

LODGE No. 779

W. Gary C., Thompson, Master
392-7546
Charles A. Tucker, Secretary
392-2006

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

287 East Ave.
Hilton, N.Y. 14468

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Michael P. Gibbard
Brother of Towpath Lodge No. 163

ETOLIAN

Lodge No. 479

2nd & 4th
Mondays
7:30 p. m.



W. Thomas E. Michelsen, Master
352-4831
W. Bradley T. Goodridge, Secretary
426-3134

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

By W. Thomas Michelsen
Greetings to all. I apologize to the members of the Lodge for missing last month's newsletter while I was in the hospital. I hope your Summer was better than mine and we will be seeing you in Lodge this Fall.

The Summer was marred by the calling home of Bro. Armand Rochon. Bro. Rochon was a member for only a short time, but put his all into the Fraternity.

Firemen's Parade

We had a good turnout at the Spencerport Firemen's Parade. It is a pleasure to be a part of a group that turns out to support others in the community.

Other Activities

The Lodge and Chapter picnic was well attended and enjoyed to the fullest. One grandmother allowed her grandchildren to wear her down, and we hope that she has recovered. The Summer Blood Drive netted a total of 58 pints of blood from 58 persons who attempted to give.

The Fall session has started with a steak roast that was enjoyed by those who attended.

NORTHFIELD

Lodge No. 426

J. Michael Zona, Master
Raymond R. Boardsley, Secretary
248-5218

Instituted March 1857

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



17 Church Street.
Pittsford, N.Y. 14534

NORTHFIELD LODGE #426

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OCTOBER 5
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436-0264 Evenings

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770 East Main St. 454-7070

R. W. Paul W. Spillane



The Past is Prologue

District Deputy Grand Master For the Second Monroe District

By R. W. Paul Spillane
Leadership and Team Working are still the major important factors in the renewal of our Fraternity. On August 14th your four Grand Lodge Officers held an information session. I would like to thank the Secretaries for being the largest group in attendance but I am somewhat disappointed with the sparse attendance of the Masters, Senior and Junior Wardens. In order to renew our Craft, we must have the complete cooperation of these officers. This is the Team along with the Jr. Officers who will lead our Craft.

Community Service

Last year the Lodges in the Second Monroe accomplished a lot in community service, membership and fellowship. This year we all have a challenge in the following areas - Blood Donor Program, Brotherhood Fund, Youth/Camp Turk, Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention, and Membership Development at all levels.

Whither Are We Traveling

By R. W. Herman A. Sarachan
"If Masonry is to resume its growth and its importance, each officer of every Lodge, and each member, must play a part:

1. We must proclaim our Masonry with pride on every occasion possible, and call attention to Masonic achievement whenever opportunity offers.
2. We must so live our lives that relatives, friends, neighbors will respect the fraternity because of us, and perhaps be motivated toward a petition as the result.
3. The new candidate should be taught not only the required lectures, but should be encouraged, and even instructed to attend the School of Instruction.
4. The new candidate, and the members in general, should be made to feel welcome at all meetings.
5. New members should be urged to join in the active work by serving on a committee, and by participating in the degree work.
6. The elderly, the sick, the bereaved should be treated with special consideration through visitations, sympathy and condolence cards.

New Conditions

We are living in a new age, and our lodges will find it necessary to accommodate to the new conditions. The following steps will be in the right direction:

1. Keep degree meetings to a minimum, and arrange more varied educational and informative evenings.
2. Each officer should have the ritual so well learned as to confer degrees with great meaning and impressiveness.
3. Plan entertainment affairs carefully so that members and guests who attend will have an enjoyable experience.
4. Encourage members to participate in the many sport activities

sponsored by the Fellowship Committee.

5. Urge members to support the Masonic philanthropic projects, i.e., the Masonic Brotherhood Fund, Service Bureau, etc., which are organized to serve humanity.

6. Give the Lodge its own individual charitable or philanthropic project, periodic visits to some hospital, home for the aged or handicapped, or raise funds regularly for a specific need, etc.

7. Encourage youth, your own and others, to join DeMolay, which is a major source for future Masons.

8. See the older members are provided transportation to meetings.

Grand Lodge Level

The modern age will require adjustments on the Grand Lodge level, also. What these may be, we can only venture a guess.

1. Grand Lodge may foster and encourage the program of spreading knowledge of Masonry through wider distribution of informative pamphlets, such as the "Primer of Masonry."

2. The ritual may be shortened, much of the repetition eliminated, and sections of doubtful significance modified.

3. The single blackball as a deterrent to membership may be modified.

4. Smaller and weaker lodges may be encouraged to merge.

5. The Installation Ceremony may be modified so as to avoid repetition. This will stimulate public installations, which constitute a good public relations medium."

Brethren, please re-read what Brother Sarachan said 21 years ago. Grand Lodge has made some of the changes that Brother Sarachan stated. It won't happen overnight, but we all must get on the Leadership Team to make our Craft strong and to give potential new members a reason to join us.

GERMANIA

Lodge No. 722

Nelson Bertch, Master 671-4792
John H. Foster, Secretary 467-1677

1st Tuesday
7:30 P.M.

4275 Culver Rd.
Rochester, N.Y. 14622

By W. Nelson F. Bertch

I would like at this time to welcome all the brothers and ladies back to Lodge on September 3rd for our first meeting of the Fall at 7:30 p.m., preceded by a Pot Luck Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Bring your own table service and a dish to pass.

Keep an eye on your mailbox for information on our upcoming steak roast! The date will have to be changed due to a meeting that the Masters and Wardens have to attend on September 21st.

Grand Sword Bearer Of the Grand Lodge Of New York



R. W. George Simon

Attendance

By R. W. George Simon

Is your lodge suffering from an attendance loss? If so, it may be that your meetings are boring. No activities planned, or no published Trestleboard? You, my brothers, are the only ones who know. I am sure that your Master is doing the best that he can for your lodge, but you can and must help. If you have any ideas, talk to your Master and express your interest and views or put together a program yourself and ask the Master for a date that you may present it.

Planned Activities

This year, my brothers, our Grand Master R.P. Thomas, has told us that each lodge is to present the Trestleboard for 1992 to his Staff Officers and that each meeting should have a planned activity, not just a regular boring business meeting, where minutes are read, every one approves bills and then you go home. There are many, many things that can be done to create interest, to stimulate the brothers to want to come to lodge and to see and hear and EVEN PARTICIPATE in the program. To the Senior Wardens of each Lodge; we will be sending a list of suggested meeting set-ups that you may use or be creative and try something new, you never know, it may work.

District Chairmen

District Chairmen of the various committees are willing and eager to be asked to come to lodge and be given the opportunity to present their program. My brothers, YOU are the lodge, it is not I or ME, it is WE TOGETHER.

If we all try to put our lodges back to the high place where they stand out, and our brothers are eager to come and bring a brother or a friend to listen to something new an exciting, you will find that it is a good feeling to look around you and see the chairs on the side lines fill up. If every brother does his own small part, then WE can all say we did our part, and when we go to the Beyond, we will hear the words "well done, my Faithful Brother."

Official Visit

Our meeting on Oct. 1st will be our Official Visit from our Grand Lodge Officers and Awards Night. Plan on attending and give our Grand Lodge Officers and award recipients a good old Germania welcome!

Steak Roast

Echoing the voice of the Lodge and our ladies, whom I get 75% of my information from, I hope that all the brothers who have been ill this Summer are well on their way to recovery and can join us in Lodge again this Fall.

O-AT-KA

Lodge No. 759

James D. Scheerens, Master
377-1742
Lawrence W. Dunn, Secretary
594-8033

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

5 Browns Ave.
Scottsville, N.Y. 14546

By W. James Scheerens

I am glad that more Brothers of O-AT-KA Lodge attended Lodge to see what is happening. We are in a more sound financial position and we have some new members that bring life and enthusiasm to the meetings. We have a new candidate but had to reschedule to October 9th and are proceeding with plans for the Degree work. Let's all start preparing for a busy Fall.

Changes

There are some changes this Fall in our Officers due to illness, so we will be in extra need of help from our Past Masters and older members to help out the newer members that are taking over at our meetings. If you haven't been to Lodge in a while you should make an effort to come and meet the new members and renew old friendships.

Chicken B-B-Q

Our chicken B-B-Q is scheduled for Oct. 13th, so let's plan to attend and help out. Our last fund-raiser was a huge success, so let's turn out and volunteer to keep the momentum in our favor. Call Ernie Lawton at 226-6102, Jim Scheerens at 377-1742 or Larry Blazey at 889-3854.

Dues

Please remember to send in your dues if you have not already done so for 1991. Keep your Lodge strong by paying your dues. Remember - O-AT-KA Lodge exists for you. Our Lodge is the "Fun" Lodge and we encourage all our members and friends from other Lodges to come out and enjoy some of what Masonry is all about.

Friendship and Brotherly Love to all.

Craftsman Lodge No. 969

David K. King, Master
621-8096
Robert F. Ogden, Secretary
385-1422

1st & 3rd Tuesdays

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

By Robert Ogden, Secretary

Our thoughts go out to Bro. John Sanna who underwent surgery July 26th and expects resumption of work soon - Bro. Rocco Ardino recently fell and fractured his shoulder - it's in a cast and he's doing very nicely - Bro. Ed King, who has been under the weather, is away on a short vacation according to son, Skip - hope you're feeling better, Bro. Ed.

Happy Birthday

Congratulations go to the following brethren with birthdays in October: Phil Cissell, Jim Coleman, Hank Hatz, Bill Howell, Roy Japp, Dick Kilton, Ed King, Joe Roe, Chuck Rupert, Richard Smith, Earl Vincent.

Dues

Brethren, dues are still open from 1990 and 1991 - please mail your check to me today thus eliminating further expense to the Lodge. Thank you.

Any brother in need of aid or assistance, please contact our hospitaler, W. Volney Frankel at 244-1644.

John A. Robertson

Lodge No. 1032

Chartered, 1924



W. Chris Starr, Master
Res. 232-7165 - Work 454-1598
Mobil 732-6813
W. L. Edward Walker, Secretary
647-2382

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

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

By W. Chris Starr

By the time you read this, Brethren and Ladies, we will have started anew with our first meeting of the Fall season. A hearty hello to our faithful Brothers far from Rochester. I hope you are well and enjoying life. To all local Brothers, I extend a warm welcome and summons to you to attend your Lodge meetings, and join the entertaining and interesting activities of the Lodge of "Friendship and Brotherly Love". If any local Brother has any problem in getting to Lodge, please call me and I will arrange transportation. We would really like to see you at the meetings. If any Brother is in sickness or distress, I hope you will soon feel better and your circumstances will improve.

Steak Roast

Last month, we held our first annual John A. Robertson family steak roast. It was a huge success! Ask any who attended, including: Edna Bell, Harold Cochran, Leona Doser, Al and Nancy Connon, Al and Fran Cranston, John and Jan DeBack, Warren and Carol Doerr, Ken and Diane Duttlinger, Norm Gauch, Sam and Anna Grover, Gene and Eleanor Killip, Ed and Diane McKee, Walter and Betty Miner, Dominic Papalia, Ed and Grace Roberts, Paul and Doris Robertson, Jim and Esther Smith, Chris and Tianna Starr, Bob Traub, Joe and Maureen Wehner, and Harold and Sylvia Bollotin. There! I told you I'd get you all in print! A big thanks to you all for attending and making this event a success. In answer to many who asked, we plan this to be an annually recurring event. The word was it was more fun, more cozy, the food was better and there was more of it, than any other recent event.

A special thanks to Brother Joe Wehner for volunteering his home for the roast, as well as for the fun and games. Also, thanks to Brother Warren Doerr and others for the donation of prizes for our drawings. Many came away with some fine prizes! A very, very special thanks to Brother Paul and Doris Robertson for their help with calling and coordination and a special personal thanks to Brother Ken Duttlinger who fixed up the grill trailer. I'm sorry that I didn't have pictures to accompany this article to keep the happy memories alive.

By-laws Revision Time

The revised by-laws were reviewed at our first meeting last month. Provision was made for printing the new booklet which will be distributed to each member. On October 7th, we will hold the final vote on revisions, changes and additions. Expect to see your summons for this meeting.

Entertaining Programs

I have planned fun programs for the rest of the year. Don't miss some good entertainment and fellowship! It's my wish and hope to see each and every one of you at meetings and special events. Let's fill the seats in the Lodge. Each Brother is vital to the Lodge, and to Masonry.

John A. Robertson Lodge Community Service "Masonic Revue"

The troupe continues to entertain greater Rochester area senior citizens with great appreciation in return. Our entertainers played September 7th at Maplewood Nursing Home; September 21st at Avon Nursing Home and September 29th at the Jewish Nursing Home.

Coming up are appearances on October 5th at St. John's Nursing Home, October 12th at Crest Manor Nursing Home, November 2nd at Lakeshore Nursing Home, December 7th at Baird Nursing Home, December 14th at Fairport Baptist Home and December 21st at Penfield Nursing Home. We have received many letters of thanks and appreciation for our efforts.

Community Service Intent

We intend to provide much needed entertainment diversions for our older citizens for their enjoyment, on a volunteer basis and free of charge. We do this in the name of Masonry, and in particular, John A. Robertson Lodge. This keeps Masonry before the public, in a positive and benevolent light. If any Brother has a musical or other talent that would be compatible with our show, and would like to contribute a little time to make the quality of life bet-

Henrietta

Lodge

No. 526

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Paul B. Josephson, Master
334-7353
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292-6383

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

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

By W. Paul Josephson
Degrees

Well this year is rapidly drawing to a close, but remember we have a lot of work to do before December. We have two more degrees to put on, plus a second section of the Third Degree for Union Star and Oatka. I would also like to remind everyone that the First Degree will be put on on October 22, with W. Bro. Ted Diehl in the East. I am planning on having a dinner before this degree, so if you want to attend, please call myself or Norm Johnstone so we can have an idea of how many to cook for. You will notice that the date for the First Degree has been changed. This was to accommodate one of our candidates who had prior commitments, so rather than have him take his First Degree in another lodge, it has been decided to change our schedule so he can take all his degrees in our Lodge.

Official Visit

On October 8th we will have our Official Visit. I would like to have my line officers in tux or dark suits if they can. I would also like to have all my officers in attendance and as many members on the sideline as possible, so if you can, please make this meeting. We will be having a rehearsal for the first degree on October 15th; if you have a part, please show up. Our candidates deserve to have the best Ritual work that we can do.

ter for others, welcome! Give me a call and join in the fun!

A special warm thanks to Brother Donn Stevens and Tianna Starr who are faithful members of the troupes and attend every date. Donn's talented and wonderful renditions on piano and organ are beautiful and welcome additions to the program.

Veterans Visits

On October 13th, we resume our visits to Canandaigua Medical Center. I expect to see those who are Lodge volunteers there! If you are not a volunteer, please consider a small amount of time, once each month, joining in ward parties to help our hospitalized veterans who have served us. Call me or see me for a volunteer's application.

Member Recognition

The meeting on October 7th will be member recognition. The 21st, bring a man to fit an apron night will be included with a special speaker on the history of John A. Robertson Lodge.

Until next month, God bless you and keep you.

Remember, each day you live is a rough stone given to you to shape for the Home that you will reside in after you have left this good Earth. Make sure that each of those stones are smooth and as perfect as you can make them. Nothing makes them as perfect as a good word or deed to another, in a weary world!

F A M E

Lodge No. 945

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2nd & 4th Tuesdays

7:30 P.M.

4275 Culver Rd.
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By W. Kenneth Rhodes

The first meeting of the Fall is now just a memory. Many thanks to Bro. Leon for the splendid ham dinner. The proceeds of this event go towards the Cy Walker Memorial Fund. From this the Lodge trustees are to purchase a sound system that will benefit all Brothers who have difficulty with hearing. A fund drive is now in progress. Please send any donations, great or small, to W. Len Johnson.

As of this writing Bro. Richard Rehbach is in Rochester General Hospital after undergoing heart surgery and Bro. Ed Linton is in the same hospital, also with heart problems. Please remember them with cards and we hope that they are up and around soon.

Activities

Ladies' Night is October 19th, so please keep this date available. You will be hearing more about this from W. Mike Bell.

There will be another dinner at the October 8th meeting, plus a presentation by a member of the Rochester Chapter, Order of DeMolay.

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392-8224

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

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

By W. Donald F. Leiston

It is my sad duty to report the passing of Bro. Douglas Gambrill in Florida. Masonic services were held for him on August 23rd in Churchville. The sympathy of the Lodge was extended to the family.

Blood Drive

On August 27th our annual Blood Drive was held and chairman R. W. Charles Daycock reported 53 pints of blood were collected. This was a big increase over the previous two years and his committee is to be congratulated for all their hard work in making it a success.

Official Visit

Our Official Visit is now history, but I would like to thank Nola Chapter and my wife Pat for all their help in making it a successful evening. Ladies, the food was excellent and thank you.

Dues

There are still some outstanding dues. Our Secretary R. W. Earl Steffen has asked me to again remind you that the year is fast coming to a close and he would like to get his records closed out for the year. Please send him your check today.

By-Laws Changes

October is going to be a busy month. Several changes in our by-laws are to be proposed and their reading is of great importance to you. Make sure you make every effort to be there and hear what they are. Remember October 9th and the 23rd.

On October 23rd we will be conferring the 2nd degree on our candidate. Sr. Warden Gary Hutcherson will be in the East. Your presence will prove to you that your officers are doing a good job.

Grand Lecturers Convention

A reminder that the Grand Lecturers Convention will be held at the downtown Temple. This year the convention will be held on Monday, October 21st and begin at 7:30 p.m. Due to the many ritual changes, the focus will be on the second section of the Third Degree. This will be very fruitful as our own Third Degree will be coming in November.

See you in Lodge.

Towpath Lodge No. 163

William R. Lindsay, Master
621-3573 (O 621-3605)
Lawrence F. Goith, Secretary
328-5580



1st & 3rd Tuesdays

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

By W. William R. Lindsay
In looking through the September issue of the "Masonic Times",

one had to be impressed with the quality of Masonry in our part of Western New York. Every group seems to have a full plate of activities which reflect commitment as Masons in the world in which we live. The new "Times" staff is to be commended for the very fine job it has done in building upon the foundation laid down by Brother Rogers.

Towpath Lodge is no exception.

Fall program

At our recent officer's meeting we were planning for the Fall program and in fact had to squeeze in an extra date on our calendar to accommodate all the things we want to do. Two of the more important activities that each brother should be thinking about are the "Bring a Friend Night" on November 12th and the DeWitt Clinton Award Night on November 19th.

"Bring a Friend Night"

Brother Andy Paterson is in charge of "Bring a Friend Night" and encourages all of us to invite a relative or friend to have dinner with us in lodge, followed by a short program. This evening can be an opportunity to expose our friends and relatives to what Masonry is all about and can stimulate interest in joining a lodge. In that respect - "it does work!". Please call me with the names of your guests so that Brother Larry and I can get out the invitations.

DeWitt Clinton Award

November 19th is a regular meeting night with a dinner at 6:00 p.m., but special in that brothers are invited to bring their wives and families for the DeWitt Clinton Award program which will be given that evening. More on that next issue.

Cash Register Tapes

On a service note, you have probably already heard about the Wegm's program of collecting cash register tapes and turning them in to the local schools as a way of earning credits for the purchase of educational equipment. I would encourage each of you to save your tapes, get your family, friends and neighbors to save their tapes, and turn them in to your local school, if it is participating. Any of you who aren't connected with a school can give me your tapes and I will turn

Official Visit

A little closer on the calendar is our Official Visit on October 15th. This will be an excellent opportunity to meet with R. W. Paul Spillane and R. W. George Simon and get an overview of Grand Lodge programs at the State level and in the Monroes. I ask each brother to make an effort to help me extend the courtesies of Towpath Lodge to these hard working brother Masons.

In closing, let me urge all brothers to attend our October meetings. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m. 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; your correspondence is a good way to be in lodge at every meeting. I ask each of you to support our sick and shut-in Masons and their families with your prayers and thoughts.

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624-3877 (Office 624-3840)

2nd Monday
7:30 P.M.

3 North Main St.
Honeoye Falls, N.Y.
14472

By W. Kenneth Buckland

Summer was a very busy time with much accomplished, but there is still much more to do and we need your help and support.

Belated thanks to W. Richard Dye who chaired the Red Cross Blood Drive sponsored by the Lodge in August, and to Brother Al Hopkins who also worked on this program.

Signs are Up!

W. Joseph Cotteleer coordinated having Masonic signs installed at the several entrances to the village. The signs were donated by our late Brother Leon Parrish. Good job, Joe.

Recovering

It was reported that W. Art Ruby and Bro. Leland Ruby were home recovering from illnesses. We wish them well for a speedy recovery. Bro. Bill Finch's father, Bro. O. Finch of Webster Lodge, recently underwent surgery and is now home.

Degrees and Programs

I will write about our degrees in the next issue. You will want to mark your calendars. Please note that due to a conflict with the Districts' Grand Lecturer's Convention on October 21st, the date for the Second Degree has been CHANGED to October 23rd. The Third Degree date remains as planned on December 2nd.

Ladies' Night is October 5th at the Lima Country Club. Again this year, we (Union Star #320) will be joining Union #45, Henrietta, and Avon Springs Lodge for this fun-filled evening. I know that this is short notice. For details and reservations please call me at 624-1308.

DeWitt Clinton Award

We will be presenting the DeWitt Clinton Award to Dr. Richard Templeton on Sunday, October 6th, at the Honeoye Falls/Lima Football Field. The recipient has volunteered his time and energy and knowledge for the youth of the community for the past 20+ years. It would be great to have a large turnout of Masons for this presentation. The details are being worked out, and you can call R. W. Paul Spillane, 624-3877, Brother John Swartz, 924-7065, or myself for more information.

In closing, it is my sad duty to report the passing of Brother Rich-

Charlotte-Corinthian Lodge No. 1088

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

1st & 3rd Tuesdays

7:30 P.M.

4550 Lake Avenue
Rochester, New York-14612

By R. W. Keith Stambach

How good it was to see so many of our Brethren in Lodge for our first meeting in September. I hope we had even more in attendance for our 1st Degree for our new candidate put on by the Junior Warden Cliff Short.

School of Ritual

Hopefully this column will reach all of you before September 30th when there will be a School of Ritual at Clio Lodge in Hilton, N.Y. at 7:30 p.m. I expect to see all of the Officers there and many of our members who are interested in maintaining our excellent work in the Degrees. The AGLs are now concentrating on putting more meaning into the words as spoken to make the lessons we teach more effective. The atmosphere of these schools is much more interesting and I am sure if you come out your

ard Plain. Our sympathy is extended to his wife Marion and son Chris.

In my last letter in the Masonic Times I asked for your ideas, projects, interest, and help. The offer still stands.

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Bureau of Masonic Education Monroe County

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W. Donald Carlile

With our Grand Lodge Leadership correspondence course just a week away (i.e., Saturday, September 21, 1991) as of this writing, we are in a ponderance wondering why more of our brothers and especially line officers don't sign up and take advantage of this first time opportunity for this outstanding course. It's been well publicized with individual letters sent to all Lodge Masters, Wardens, Secretaries and Lodge educational chairmen, plus Masonic Times advertisement and Grand Lodge officers pushing the course. Registered so far, including 10 of the 61 Monroe County Masons who had previously started but didn't finish, totals 20 from the two Monroes. We have as many (also 20) from surrounding Districts who have already registered.

Bro. John Zabel Appointed

We are pleased to announce that Bro. John Zabel from Wakan-Hubbard Lodge has been appointed Director of Leadership Training for the Bureau of Masonic Education. John, along with R. W. Bill Baldwin, Director of Entry Level and Continuing Education, will be administering our three courses in 1992. We look forward to working with John, are grateful that he accepted this position, and are thankful that we have such talent within our craft.

spirit will be rewarded, and you may come away wanting to learn the ritual and take an active part in the Degrees.

October Meetings

Coming up in October, at the first meeting we will discuss the preparations that are being made for our first Bring a Friend Night. Those brothers living in the local area will be soon receiving a letter from me requesting names of anyone you think may show an interest in Masonry. You send the names and we will do the work!

On our second meeting the Past Masters of Charlotte-Corinthian Lodge will confer the 2nd Degree on our candidate. Come out and see these Worshipful Brothers perform their usual good work. The 2nd Degree will be preceded by a Swiss Steak Dinner at 6:30 p.m. put on by Charlotte Chapter O.E.S. The Degree will follow immediately at 7:30 p.m. Make your reservations for dinner in Lodge or call Bro. Cliff Short at 225-0064, Bro. Frank Jansson at 227-6132, or Bro. Jim Thomsen at 865-7181.

Dues

Brothers, please check your dues card and see if you are current. The Secretary would love to pay the bills and your dues will help!

Thankfully there are no deaths to report at this time and all of our Brothers seem to be in good health. It sure is a pleasure to keep this space short.

See you in Lodge and ask a friend to join.

Let's Go Visiting

By W. Gordon T. Dodge

I have been asked to write about my Lodge visitations in other jurisdictions by the Editor, R. W. Jay McCullough, who would also like to hear of YOUR visitations outside of New York State.

In 1976, while serving as a Junior Officer in my Lodge, the company I worked for sent me to Holland for a few months. I took my tuxedo with me as I had heard that everyone wears one in Europe. The town I was to be in, Eindhoven, had three lodges listed in the master book listing the lodges throughout the world. Upon arriving I found that none were listed in the local phone book. What to do? I thought that if I attended a church service on Sunday I might meet a fellow Mason. On arriving at an Anglican Church I introduced myself to the Deacon as a visiting Mason and desirous of attending a Masonic Lodge. Not being a Mason himself he informed me he would try to find a member of the church who was. A short time later he told me that someone would meet me after the service. I was met later by the church Treasurer and invited to his home for dinner on Monday. No one knew he was a Mason, but he stepped forward to help a fellow Master Mason.

After dinner on Monday, his wife and children retired as two of his Masonic brothers had arrived to "prove" me. This was done in a friendly manner and I was invited to visit their lodges on both Thursday (for a second degree) and on Friday (for a third degree).

At the lodge all members were in tuxedos (morning tux with tails) and waited until the Tiler, who was carrying a SIX FOOT BROADSWORD, announced that the Lodge was opened (this being done by the Master and Wardens). We then proceeded up a flight of stairs, at the top of which stood the Tiler who used the broadsword as a barrier until each member (and visitor) had given him the proper password.

We sat on benches on the North and South sides of the lodge. The ritual was done in Flemish but was similar enough in nature that I could follow along.



W. Richard C. Friedman
First Monroe District

ASSISTANT GRAND LECTURERS



W. Terry Wilken
Second Monroe District

By W. Richard C. Friedman

Masonry is a way of life. If you take to heart the tenets of Freemasonry, if the Fraternity really is a CRAFT, and if you really consider yourself a CRAFTSMAN then you will spend a portion of each day building that spiritual temple that defines the true Mason.

No craftsman can work without some form of design or precedent for his labor. Those designs are to be found in the symbolism, philosophy, law and history of the Craft. The genesis for all of this information is our RITUAL.

In reality the word "ritual" is not the best word available for this invaluable teaching tool.

The word "Ritual" implies a static, boring repetitive body of work. The living, electric, incredible, message which is given in the degrees is vibrant, relevant, and ever changing to remain cogent to those who at any given time are lucky enough to receive its light.

The beauty and profound lessons contained within this living work are timeless. The words and methods involved in breathing life into this body of rich material are what change.

The message of the Third Degree: spirituality, fidelity to God and to your Brother, courage, rebirth, fortitude and love has always been considered so good that it has been dubbed "THE SUBLIME DEGREE OF MAS-

After the degree, we assembled for a sit-down dinner at tables arranged in a U-shape covered with white tableclothes and a blue silk ribbon in the middle upon which wine glasses were placed.

The Master, Secretary and Treasurer sat at the head while the Wardens sat at each end of the U-shape. My host from church informed me that the blue ribbon represented the "firing line" in a military artillery battery. As the cannons would move backwards upon firing, the men had to move the guns back to the "firing line". Here it meant that if you moved your wine glass off of the blue ribbon, you wished to speak (fire). WHAT AN OPPORTUNITY!! I immediately moved my wine glass near my plate. My host spoke in Flemish to the Worshipful Master who then informed all of the brothers, in Flemish (then English for my benefit) that their visitor wished to speak.

After rising to speak, I thanked all for the privilege of attending their Lodge, gave them greetings from Flower City Lodge #910 in Rochester, and remarked on their Lodge's furnishings which were somewhat different than what we have in Monroe County.

The evening ended with the brother who had taken his second degree speaking briefly on what he had done since the previous Thursday relative to the lessons he had encountered in his first degree. These three lodges in Eindhoven meet 52 weeks a year and the brothers going through the degrees must rise and speak every week on their weekly endeavors.

I also learned that evening that when their lodge reaches 60 members it must split and form two lodges. An interesting policy. You will know all of your lodge brothers. Altogether an interesting and

TER MASON". Many changes have been made to the words and methods of imparting this sublime message.

Grand Lecturer's Convention

THE SECOND SECTION OF THE THIRD DEGREE IS THE FOCUS OF THE GRAND LECTURERS CONVENTION. THE CONVENTION WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1991. M. W. CALVIN G. BOND WILL PROVIDE INSTRUCTION RELATIVE TO THE HIRAMIC LEGEND.

THERE WILL BE A PRIME RIB DINNER FOR ONLY \$9.00 AT 6:30PM WITH THE CONVENTION TO BEGIN AT 7:30. RESERVATIONS ARE TO BE MADE THROUGH YOUR MASTER NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 15, 1991.

We sincerely hope that the focus on the Hiram legend combined with a great dinner, and most of all the presence of our Grand Lecturer, is a combination which you will find irresistible.

Remember that the Howard Potts Award for full line officer attendance will be determined that night as well as the banners for attendance at the Schools of Ritual and the Convention itself.

Your attendance is another opportunity to display your fidelity to the trust already reposed in you. SEE YOU THERE!

informative visit to a lodge in a different jurisdiction. Next time I will write about my visit to General John (Blackjack) Pershing Lodge in Maastricht, Holland.

New Tapes Available

The Grand Lodge of Washington and the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Washington jointly held a dedication ceremony of a Masonic monument at the grave of PGM William Upton. PGM Upton did not want any Masonic marker on his grave until recognition of Prince Hall Masonry was granted. Both Grand Lodges extended recognition to each other in 1990.

This dedication ceremony was video taped and for those wishing more information about its availability please contact:

Walberg Tonstad, G.S.
Grand Lodge of Washington
47 St. Helens Avenue
Tacoma, WA 98402

The Grand Lodge of Illinois sponsored the video tape "Unseen Journey"; "The Mystery, Myth and Truth of Freemasonry". As the jacket states the tape is a "search through the centuries of mystery and myths for the truth about the world's oldest fraternity."

The tape runs for approximately one hour and for further information please contact:

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Masonic NEWS from Genesee-Wyoming District

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



"Caught in the Woodbine"

By R. W. Robert H. Hebner

With a huge heave, a lot of tugging and much perspiring, I managed to remove WOODBINE from my fence. Are you familiar with this horrible weed? It is a vine type weed that sends out runners. These runners then sprout feelers that wrap themselves around any object that may be near. Once these feelers are latched on to an object, they don't let go. They just proceed to overpower whatever they are holding. If it is a good plant or tree limb, it will eventually strangle and die.

What has this got to do with Masonry, you ask?

Just this!!

Masonic Woodbine

There are a lot of WOODBINE plants growing in our Masonic fields. They are the weeds we refer to as "unconcerned", "apathy", "loss of interest" and many other named varieties. They send out their runners to find fertile areas. Then they extend there feelers to wrap around some unsuspecting brother to squeeze him and strangle his Masonic interests. In the end they leave another limb which for all intent and purpose is

hanging on even though it is no longer productive nor can bear fruit.

What can we do about this problem

Pruning Shears

The answer is quite simple. We can get out the pruning shears and cut this parasitic vine away from our good limbs. We can pull the feelers off the plants so that they may continue to produce. We can tend our Masonic garden so that it may flourish and be rich and strong. You, my Brothers, are the gardeners. It is up to you to see that the fruit of our labors do not spoil or die because of a creeping "lack of concern".

In essence, what I am saying is, none of us can stop tending to the labor of Masonic Love. Each of us must pull and tug at ourselves to go out in that garden and work. It is our responsibility to work for and support our leaders. If we are leaders then it is our responsibility to perform our office to the best of our ability, thus assuring our members they will receive the very best that our order can provide.

So, it is up to you. Please, don't be one of the poor souls that is

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 W. Shawn L. Wright, Master 535-7637
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1st & 3rd Mondays
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By W. Shawn L. Wright
 There is much going on in Lodge and around the District. Freemasonry is on the move. If you haven't

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been to Lodge in a while, I advise you to check it out. You'll be pleasantly surprised and if you don't enjoy yourself it is your own fault. Here is a sample of what is going on.

Donations for Paint Needed

The Lodge exterior is being painted and spruced up! Bro. Robert Hawkins, Bro. Mel Parmerter and W. Bill Geitner have made arrangements for the Wyoming Correctional inmates to do the labor. Bill Geitner is soliciting for funds to cover the cost of paint and materials. He has collected about \$400 so far, but could use more. Any donations will be appreciated. A newly painted building will speak well for the Lodge in the Community.

Community Involvement

On August 27, Bro. Glenn Cramer and I attended the District Deputy's Organizational Meeting at Hesperus Lodge in Bergen. The District Deputy stated that the Grand Master is very pleased with the Genesee-Wyoming District, especially since we sent seven children to Camp Turk. Membership is on the upswing and lodges are getting more and more involved with the Community. We need to be more

active with the Brotherhood Fund. The District Deputy will have an interesting presentation for his Official Visits.

Fifty Year Pin

On September 16, the District Deputy and members of the Lodge traveled to W. Edwin Francis's residence and presented him with his fifty year pin and certificate. Ed can't navigate the stairs to the Lodge, so we went to him. Ed was surprised and quite tickled to get presented with these. We should all look to our own futures and think about installing a chair lift in the Lodge.

Fish Fry

The District Fish Fry will be held Friday, October 4 at Warsaw Lodge. Workers will be needed from every lodge to make this a success. Come early to eat and help out.

Meeting Plans

At our October 7th meeting Bro. Glenn Cramer will give a video tape presentation about Camp Turk and the young man we sent there in conjunction with Attica Lodge.

October 20th is the tentative date for a Chicken Bar-B-Q to benefit the general fund. Serving from noon to 7. We'll need workers and pies for this event. We sold out with 200 chicken halves in July, so come early. Bill Geitner is the committee chairman.

October 21st we will be performing a First Degree with at least three candidates. If you haven't been to a degree in some time, check it out. Our Lodge is growing.

Saturday, October 26th Grand Lodge's Regional Leadership Seminar will be held in Buffalo and Rochester. This is a very good course. Glenn and I went last year and will be going again. Anybody who is interested in going with us is more than welcome. It is programs like these that really help Junior Officers prepare for running the lodge and improve their skills outside the Fraternity. Grand Lodge would like at least four from each lodge to attend, so we need two more to go. You won't be sorry.

November 4th will be the District Convention at Perry Lodge. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting starts at 7:30 p.m., under the direction of M. W. Calvin G. Bond. Reservations are requested.

November 18 will be a Bring a Friend/Rusty Mason Night. This will be a fun and casual meeting. We will have TV and the appropriate refreshments necessary to watch and support the Buffalo Bills squish the Miami Dolphins in their Monday night game. Join us after a day of hunting and relax in good fellowship. Bring a friend and have fun.

November 19 is the Lodge's scheduled Masonic Bingo Night at the Batavia V.A. Hospital. I'll need some volunteers to go with me and help out. The patients really enjoy this activity and you will, too.

December 2nd will be a Second Degree.

Saturday December 14th will be our Christmas Party. Mark this on your calendar. This will be a family party and Santa is scheduled to be there. Watch your Masonic Times for more information.

December 16th will be our Election of Officers Meeting.

As you can see there is much going on in the Lodge. There are tentative plans to have a Lodge Fund Raising Dinner before the end of the year so watch for that.

Dues

Be advised that, due to an increase in the Grand Lodge Assessment and as stipulated in our by-laws, your dues for the coming year will be \$40.50. This is the first increase in five years. This will help our Lodge keep up with inflation.

Desert Storm

You will be interested to know that Bro. Thane Wright is back in

Grand Director Of Ceremonies Of the Grand Lodge Of New York



R. W. Robert G. Seils

Let's Get Active

By R. W. Robert G. Seils

Do we all have our lodges open for the Fall? I sure hope that we do. I will be attending all the lodges in the District again this year. I will be doing some traveling with the DDGM this Fall, and hope to see a good turn out at his Official Visits. I feel that if you don't support your lodge, you may have a good chance of losing it. Personally, I would not like to see any of us lose our lodges, so we must pull together and support the lodge we belong to.

Fall Seminar

It is the time for us to attend the Fall Seminar. Once again, it will be held at the Monroe Community College in Rochester and at the Erie County Community College in Buffalo on the same day. The Grand Master requests that we have at least four members from each lodge attend. Even though the turn out last year was excellent, he would like to see some new faces at this seminar. The date is October 26th, and will start at 8:30 a.m. until about 4:00 p.m. The cost is \$10.00, which includes lunch and coffee break. I hope to see you all there.

By the time you read this, I will have taken the Grand Lodge Correspondence Course and I will write more about it in my next letter.

This is all for now. I hope to see you at the next lodge meeting when I visit.

WARSAW LODGE No. 549 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

By W. Richard C. Benn

September is upon us and we held our first communication of the Fall season on the 3rd. We balloted

the United States from service in Operation Desert Storm. Bro. Wright will be spending a few weeks at Ft. Dix, New Jersey undergoing treatment for a few injuries he contracted overseas. We are looking forward to his healthful return home and the mother of all celebrations that is to follow. It is possible he may have returned home by the time this is published, so I will keep you advised.

HESPERUS Lodge No. 837
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 John W. Bator, Master 548-7770
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 W. Stuart P. Lamborn, Secretary 494-1360
12 South Lake Ave. Bergen, N.Y. 14416
 1st and 3rd Thursday

By W. John Bator

Many thanks to R. W. Holden Miller for chairing the annual Masonic Steak roast at our house August 24, 1991. This event was well attended and enjoyed by all. I would also like to thank Bros. Fred Morrow and John Specht for helping get tables and chairs and returning them. Irene and I liked hosting this event.

Euchre Tournament

Hesperus is hosting the Euchre Tournament September 30, 1991 for the Lodges of Western Monroe County, Hilton, Spencerport, Brockport and Churchville. Mark this date as we have good fellowship. Bro. Fred Morrow will bring his school bell.

Homecoming

October 3, 1991, is the Official Visit and Homecoming of DDGM R. W. Robert H. Hebner. Supper at 6:30 p.m. served by Hesperus Eastern Star. Once again, mark your calendar as the DDGM has important messages from the Grand Master to implement in our Lodge.

Candidates

We are expecting another class of candidates this Fall. I would like to have these petitions in by the October 3rd date to be turned over to the investigating committee. Balloting would then be completed at our regular meeting, October 17, 1991. This night is also Rusty Brother Night.

Budget

A budget meeting will be held on October 10 at 7:00 p.m. at the Temple. Members of this committee are: R. W. Kenneth Barrons, R. W. Holden Miller, W. James MacConnell, Bro. Donald Hargrave and W. John Bator.

Masonic Education

As a strong supporter of Masonic Education and chairman of the Genesee Wyoming District, I am looking forward to presenting this program to all the Lodges in the District. Hesperus committee members are: R. W. Robert Hebner, W. Van Hulbert, W. Stuart Lambein, and W. Donald Reed.

Widow and Spouses Night

Ladies Night, including widows, will be October 19, 1991 at the Bergen Masonic Temple. Supper will be at 6:30 p.m. with program and games to follow. This event will be chaired by R. W. Robert G. Seils.

on the petition of the son of one of our members and were presented with petitions from the sons of two other members.

We have a brother waiting for the second degree and another waiting for the third degree, so it looks like a busy Fall.

Our District Deputy made his Official Visit on September 17, and a Masters and Wardens Meeting was held in Warsaw on the 28th.

October Meetings

At our October 1st communication, we will present the DeWitt Clinton Award to the Warsaw Rescue Squad, an ever present force in the community who have, for years

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made an important contribution to the health and safety of the citizens. This will take place at the Warsaw Temple with members of that organization present, lunch afterward. The Entered Apprentice Degree will be conferred on October 15th, hopefully on three candidates. The Fellowcraft Degree will be conferred on November 5th on four candidates, and the tentative date of the Master Mason Degree is December 3rd, with five brothers receiving the degree. This is the largest class we have had in several years, so it is evident that Masonry is growing in Warsaw and in the Genesee-Wyoming District.

Play the Masonic Quiz Game every month +++ Answers on Page 16

Question 71:

A Cowan is:

- A A Cowardly Mason who sells his secrets
- B An uninstruted Mason or dry-diker
- C An Eavesdropper
- D A writer of Masonic Exposés

Question 72:

Deacons, Stowards, Marshal, Master of Ceremonies, all carry rods, wands or staffs because such implements are:

- A Emblems of authority
- B Useful (in theory at least) in physical control of brethren
- C Symbols that the office is a monor one
- D Needed to point out matters of interest, as on the Master's Chart

Question 73:

A Tenot is:

- A A moral saying
- B A religious doctrine
- C A principle held true without proof
- D A word of assent

Question 74:

"Ahiman Rezon" is the title of:

- A The Book of Constitutions of the "Ancient" Grand Lodge
- B An encyclopedia of Masonry
- C A side degree of Masonry popular in the eighteenth century
- D Masonic law, derived from "A high man (Mason's) reason"

Question 75:

Masonically, profane means:

- A Blasphemous, irreligious
- B In favor of the church
- C Without the Temple, uninitiated
- D Professing without practicing

Question 76:

The Entered Apprentice's song, beginning "Come Let Us Prepare, We Brothers that are assembled on Merry Occasions", etc., was written by:

- A George Oliver
- B William Preston
- C Mathew Birkhead
- D Robert Burns

Tall Cedars of Lebanon

Rochester Forest No. B3

Meets the 4th Thursday

Wakan-Hubbard Lodge
1822 Penfield Road
Penfield, New York 14526

John E. Zabel
Grand Tall Cedar



Thomas J. Hueston
Senior Deputy Grand Tall Cedar

Donald C. Bell
Junior Deputy Grand Tall Cedar

Leonard A. Latta, Scribe

By John Zabel, Grand Tall Cedar
It appears that Summer is going to hold on as long as it can, at least that is the indication at this writing. However, the Fall season has started and the Forest is ready. By the time you read this, the Forest will have, hopefully, found a new place for our pre-meeting dinners. The restaurant is J.G. Crummer's, located where the Manhattan Restaurant used to be. The jury is still out on whether this will be a good place or not.

Our annual steak roast was held on Saturday, September 28th in Ellison Park. Hopefully, everyone enjoyed themselves.

Program Ideas

Our October meeting will be on Thursday, October 24th at the Penfield Masonic Temple. At that meeting we will be discussing our November meeting date and will start working with Senior Deputy Grand Tall Cedar Tom Hueston in planning the program for his year as Grand Tall Cedar. I am sure that Tom would appreciate any ideas for programs that the brothers may have. The telephone committee will contact all the local members with the dinner arrangements for this meeting.

Question 77:

A Hecatomb is:

- A A form of beehive
- B A hundred head of cattle
- C A measure of grain
- D A sum of money

Question 78:

The number Three appearing so often in Freemasonry:

- A Represents the Trinitarian doctrine
- B Refers to the triangle, symbol of Deity
- C Refers to the three degrees
- D Refers to three Great Lights, three Lesser Lights

Question 79:

"ABIF" means:

- A The leader
- B The architect
- C My father
- D Son of a member of the tribe of Naphtali

Question 80

Wardens' columns are One Erect, One Prostrate, at all times, because:

- A A fallen column is a symbol
- B Wardens' pillars represent two of three original Grand Masters, one always in charge of the Temple Building
- C There must ne some silent way to advise brethren who are in charge
- D If both were erect at once they might be construed as J and B



FINGER LAKES CHAPTER

October 6, 1991

ROCHESTER HOST HOTEL

1100 Brooks Avenue

1 P.M. Buffet Lunch - \$13.00

Special Guest Speaker

John Mauck Hilliard

President, Philaethes International

Chapter Secretary Richard C. Friedman : 377-6175

METROPOLITAN ROCHESTER

Police and Fire



SQUARE CLUB

By Dean F. Marsaw

The Summer is over, and I hope you all had a safe and enjoyable time. The steak roast and chicken BBQ was a great success as usual, and our special project fund did really well again this year, even though money was tight for us all. A great big thanks to Bro. Steve Thayer, who sold \$100.00 alone, which will enable us to sponsor two children again this year for C.A.P. For the first time since we began the special project, all the door prizes were won by our own members.

August 15, 1992

Next year we are going to either Henrietta Park or the German Community Building grounds in Gates, which is just down the road from Bosdyk's. These two places are much nicer-more like being at your own home, and much less expensive than what the cost has risen to at Barnard Exempts, where conditions the past two years have not been as neat and clean as we have the right to expect from the fee we pay. We want to relax and enjoy ourselves. Next year's date will be August 15, barring any complications. More information will follow at a later date.

Past Presidents

For you Past Presidents out there: we have set a date of December 3, at Streb's for a Dutch treat Christmas Party, with which we hope to establish a Past President's Club. Mark the date on your calendar. Your lady is also invited, and you will be notified in advance for reservations.

By-Laws

The Trustees, Officers and By-Laws Committee met this Summer at the home of President Roger McCaughey, and we are in the process of re-writing the by-laws...more information on this as it progresses. Each member will receive a copy of the finished product.

Attention

By the time you read this, school will be open, and the streets will be full of children of all ages, including little tykes, going to and coming from school. Be alert for the unexpected. Also check your smoke detectors-they save precious lives.

Everybody needs a hug. It changes your metabolism.

Philosopher Lee Buscaglia



By W.: Robert Sanford

The Club meets on Friday evening, October 25th at the Red Men's Party House at 1001 Lexington Avenue.

ALL Past Masters are eligible for membership. Even if you are not a member, come out and enjoy the casual conviviality shared by those who are able to spend this time together, once a month.

Social hour and, for those who indulge, euchre will commence about 6:00 p.m. At 7:00 p.m., we select our dinner from the menu. As a regular group, we have our own private room.

Our guest speaker in October is R.: W.: Stephen R. Whittaker and he will be talking about the Scottish Rite.

Call 292-6383 for your reservation, or to arrange a ride.

Masters & Wardens Association

1st & 2nd
MONROE DISTRICTS

W.: John Lindsay, Pres. 388-0854

W.: Mark Fenton, V. Pres. 265-3907

W.: Jim Scheerens, Sec'y 377-1742

W.: Paul Josephson, Treas. 334-7353

By W.: Jim Scheerens, Secretary

The first meeting of the Fall season was called to order by our President, John Lindsay, at Henrietta Lodge, and we thank them for the use of their Temple. Our Chaplain Tim Belt gave the benediction and blessing to all present and to those unable to attend. The Grand Lodge Officers in attendance were introduced and then the Advisors for the 1991 Masters, Senior Wardens, and Junior Wardens were recognized.

Under New Business there was much to cover.

Important Events

W.: Terry Whilen and W.: Rich Friedman, our A.G.L.'s, spoke of the schedule of the Schools of Ritual for the 1991 season. R.: W.: Wayne Engbrecht spoke about the Entry Level Program and the Interlodge Euchre Tournament and urged support of the various functions of the Bureau of Masonic Education.

Bro. Scott Seltzer and Bro. Ron Hollander announced the schedule of the Brotherhood Committee. They sounded enthusiastic and the schedule of events suggests that they



UTICA, NEW YORK

MASONIC MEDICAL RESEARCH LABORATORY Summer Fellowship Program

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

Since 1960 the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory, located on the Masonic Home campus, has quietly gone about providing a Summer Fellowship Program. The program provides a rare opportunity for gifted and talented students of the life sciences to gain an appreciation for how scientific problems are approached and examined, and to experience first hand the scientific method with all its rigors and disciplines.

The program is designed to instill scientific curiosity by allowing students to participate in ongoing research projects under staff guidance in the areas of Heart Disease, Immunology, Cancer, Gerontology and Blood Substitutes.

Over 260 young men and women have participated in the Summer Fellowship Program since its inception. Many have gone on to earn their Ph.D. or M.D. degrees; approximately 40% pursuing scientific and/or teaching careers.

Funding for this year's program has been provided by the Rosamond G. Childs Fund of the Utica Foundation, Slocum Dickson Foundation, The Savings Bank of Utica, Theodore C. Max, M.D., Christopher C. Max, M.D., John J. DeTraglia, M.D., New York State Grand Council of Cryptic Masons and Bredablick Lodge #880.

Santa Has the right idea: Visit people once a year.

Victor Borge

Past Grand Master Installs Son As Grand Master

"On November 14, 1990, Most Worshipful William G. Roberts was installed as Grand Master of Masons in Nevada. The Installing Officer was Most Worshipful Gerald A. Roberts, who is William's father and served as Grand Master of Nevada in 1974. This is the first ever father-son to serve this jurisdiction as Grand Masters."

A father and son both serving as Grand Master has happened in other Jurisdictions, but not very often. We think it is a very special occasion and offer congratulations to the new Grand Master and his Dad! Thanks for serving Freemasonry and the Grand Lodge of Nevada so well.

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are on the right track.

Bro. Bruce Turner (President 1991 Senior Wardens) moved to Georgia due to a business change, we offer our congratulations and best wishes to Bruce and his family.

DDGM

R.: W.: Charles Spiegel, our new DDGM of the 1st Monroe District, asked for support of the Bureau of Masonic Education. He urged all to attend the Leadership Seminars, reminded all Masters to submit names for the DeWitt Clinton Award if not already done, and spoke at length on the topic of proper preparation and planning for a successful Lodge program and how to increase attendance.

You will be notified of the next Masters and Wardens Meeting in the mail.

Masonry's Key Ingredient

The world may have a shortage of trust but the Masonic fraternity has built its foundation on it

By Richard C. Friedman, 32°

From the very start of a man's journey in Masonry, until he goes to that undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveler returns, there is a basic bedrock which supports the entire foundation of his Masonic life. That little mentioned fundamental is trust.

The world we live in has an extreme shortage of trust. Children are often taught not to trust adults. Formerly held positions of esteem in our society are no longer trusted. We seem to have reversed the American creed to now believe that a person is guilty until proven innocent. Yet Masonry is based on trust and teaches this critical human truth to all of its adherents.

Imagine, if you will, a world totally devoid of trust. How long could mankind survive in a wholly cynical state where every person focuses on self-centered pursuits without offering any citizen the trust which comes with living in a caring society?

The Importance of Trust

Masonry begins to inculcate its belief in the importance of trust right from the moment that a man decides to join our gentle craft. That man has formed an opinion of our fraternity for the most part sight unseen. It leads him to seek admission. His Masonic sponsor trusts that this man will fulfil his obligations and become a good and true brother. The new candidate trusts his investigating team to tell him the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth in their answers to his questions about the craft. The new candidate who comes for his first degree is bombarded with issues of trust. In the preparation room he is divested of all his metallic substances, rings, watches, money clips, wallets and trusts that these items will be present when he returns. The candidate is asked a series of questions which he answers on his "honor" and the Craft trusts him to have honor. One of the ultimate trust tests of that first evening is the moment at which the candidate is hood-winked and allows himself to blindly follow in the ceremonies of a degree he is minimally informed about by men he may not know at all.

Building Trust

To build trust among people one side cannot betray the other. The candidate learns that we will not betray his trust in us by the dignified way in which he is treated and the beauty of our ritual.

Within the degree itself there is the famous question: "In whom do you put your trust?" The candidate is asked to deepen his feeling about trust by his public admission of his trust in God. He comes to realize that one of the great benefits of being a Mason lies in the craft's insistence that he think about his life in a way he may not have had the time to do before. He is then informed that he need fear no danger as we ask him to trust us again.

The degree system of Masonry can indeed be seen as a process of creating a trusting bond between our new brothers and the body of the lodge, between God and man, between men and their neighbors, between men and women and perhaps most importantly between men and themselves.

The framers of our ritual had wonderful insights into human beings. They must have realized

that a man who is coerced into any form of behavior is not in a position to be fully invested with our trust. I wonder if this is why the phrase "Of my own free will and accord" is so often an integral part of our ceremonies. A man who enters freely into an obligation with his moral eyes open, assumes an emotional state of commitment and trustworthiness.

Trust the Foundation of Masonry

Throughout the body of Masonic ritual the issue of trust is highlighted. To keep and conceal and never reveal, to recognize a brother Mason: in the dark as in the light, the repository of the faithful breast, the equality of men who meet on the level, answering and obeying all due signs and summonses, never wronging, cheating nor defrauding, pledging ourselves to the relief of all mankind, caring for widows and orphans, subduing our passions and circumscribing our desires, keeping our Brothers' confidences secure and inviolate, bidding all men come up to us but refusing to descend a single step. These are all Masonic concepts which call forth the issue of our ability to trust and be trusted.

The Hiramic Legend

The concept of the immortality of the soul is entirely an exercise in trust. Nowhere in Masonry is this more clear than in the Hiramic legend. Looking at the drama itself, it becomes clear at the outset that Hiram places a great deal of importance on his own trust in God. Equally clear almost immediately is that Hiram is involved in a sacred trust with Solomon and Hiram, King of Tyre. The dilemma for Hiram Abiff touches on the greatest issues of trust and integrity. He can betray the trust already reposed in him and save his life. If he chooses to remain trustworthy, he will die. The beautiful resolution to the drama is that Hiram's trust in God allows him to maintain his integrity and save his immortal soul.

The Brother who represents Hiram places an enormous amount of trust in us - trust that his lodge will not take his life, trust that the different way he is handled in the ceremony of the degree has a higher moral meaning, and trust in himself that he can endure the trials which are set in his path.

Trust and Grand Lodge

Masonic law at its roots rests on a foundation of trust. No organization could ascribe the dictatorial powers to a Grand Master the way Masonry does, without a tremendous trust that the individual will utilize his power for the good of the craft. The same trust is inherent at the lodge level, where the Master is presumed by the Grand Lodge to be doing his job appropriately and from whose decision no procedure exists to overturn, except by the Grand Master.

The Masonic funeral service also concentrates on the issue of trust - trust in the immortality of the soul and trust that the God who guided us in life will not abandon us in death.

Masons can take the lead in letting children know that there are adults in the world whom they can trust. I remember as a child in New York City, my uncle, who was a Mason, telling me that if I was ever lost or scared to look for a police officer or a man wearing

the square and compasses. In his voice was an assurance that I would be safe with either man.

Trust and Brotherly Love

Masons have the pleasure of knowing the trust which comes with being a brother, particularly when traveling in different jurisdictions. I have known the safe, comforting feeling of being enveloped in brotherly love by men that only needed to know that I was their brother to take care of me.

The next time you are asked what Masons do, think about adding a thought about our way of life. Masonry is one of the last bastions of trust to be found in our country and indeed in the world.

Throughout a Mason's life, if he clearly understands his role as a Mason, he will act as a human symbol to all those around him of the concept of trust. He will be a man who can be trusted with the lodge's work, money, responsibilities and desire for self improvement. He will place his trust in his God, his family, his fraternity and himself.

Masons Trust and are Trusted

He will learn as a Mason that he can trust a set of principles and a group of men, despite the avalanche of cynicism which he will encounter in his daily life. Our modern philosophers would have us believe that to trust anyone or anything is a foolish enterprise. As Masons we base our lives on the opposite view. We can trust, we do trust, and we can be trusted. It is only in the effort of holding firm to these simple truths, that a man can fully learn to trust himself.

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North Carolina Historical Document Stolen

We report with sadness that the Grand Lodge office in North Carolina was broken into and a number of valuable items were stolen. The one that is irreplaceable is the original commission naming Joseph Montfort Provincial Grand Master of and for North America.

This commission was signed by the Duke of Beaufort on January 14, 1771. The Commission is about 30 x 30 and is framed in gold leaf.

The fear is that when the thieves try to sell or dispose of it, they will find it has a value only to the Grand Lodge and will throw it away. If by any chance it should be found by someone in your Grand Jurisdiction, please notify:

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Grand Lodge of North Carolina
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Raleigh, NC 27628

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Whence Came You; Whither Are You Traveling?

By R. W. Sheldon K. Blank

That phrase is given to each of us early in our Masonic Training. At that time it is used to help exemplify a particular portion of the drama then in progress. To those of us responsible for the future of the fraternity, and that should be all of us, it should hold a deeper challenge.

In school we were told that the study of history is important. By it we developed pride in our heritage. Our history inspires patriotism. It teaches us how certain accomplishments were achieved. This should enable us to achieve similar goals. History is also studied to be a guide to prevent us from making the mistakes made in the past.

The Masonic Fraternity has a glorious history. It is well to ask "Whence Came You?". Legend ties us to the building of the Great Cathedrals of Europe. The builders belonged to guilds which held meetings in a room of the unfinished structure.

These Masons took great pride in their work. Each stone was cut to perfection. Their works exist for us to admire today. These structures bear testimony to the utmost exertions of human genius. Did they realize that they were building immortality? We must be challenged by them as we strive for greater and more noble efforts for Masonry and Humanity.

After 300 years on the continent, Masonry crossed the channel into England. In due time we see a change from operative to speculative building trades. Can you imagine the consternation of the veteran members. They probably shouted "This change will ruin us!" Not only did they survive the change; but, it led to a stronger organization and the establishment of the Grand Lodge of England along with one in Ireland and another in Scotland.

About 1730 we find newspaper articles about Masonic meetings in

Philadelphia and Boston. These meetings were held in Taverns and Coffee Houses. I am sure that once again there were cries of fear as to CHANGE. But we continued to change. During the Revolutionary War we are told some meetings were held in barns, in tents and in open fields. Masonry survived the change.

With the Temperance movement more changes were made. We now find Masonic temples being built. Lodges met in rooms over stores and mills. Almost every little town during the westward movement had first a church, then a school and then a Masonic Lodge. Again we survived the change.

The second part of our original question was, "Whither are you Traveling?" Freemasonry is not a complete structure. We can contribute to this quest for perfection. We must leave it better than we found it. We are beneficiaries of a sacred trust. We must transmit it unimpaired.

We are like stones in the cathedrals. Each one was skillfully fitted to the Master's plan. Each of us are an important part of the Fraternity. We are symbolically stones fit into a portion of the work. How do we measure up when tried by plumb, square and level?

As we prepare for the 21st Century, we too must be prepared to change. Society has changed. Life styles have changed. An eighteenth century institution, regardless of its glorious history and legendary leaders, must have something to offer today's sophisticated, well educated, mobile population. Are we ready for this challenge?

Stage one was operative Mason. This was followed by speculative Masonry. In my opinion stage three must be "Applied Masonry." To serve the human race must be our true destiny. We are NOT a secret society. We are not just a social club. We must put our Masonic Principles into practical and helpful use. How a Mason lives outside the Lodge is more important than what he does in the room.

Freemasonry took a giant step toward Applied Masonry with adoption of an outgoing, aggressive program of support for the education of children in the dangers of alcohol and drug abuse. We must individually and collectively lead the way and demand higher standards for our schools.

We must encourage greater citizens participation in government at all levels. Work to see morality and honesty practiced in all agencies, government and business. We must cooperate with our own concordant bodies and other organizations for Community Service, improved ecology and education.

All this can be accomplished without changes to Masonic Rituals, Landmarks or Principles. We must institute programs to guide our membership toward Applied Masonry. First we must make our members knowledgeable about the Fraternity. Many brothers are unable to explain our organization. Secondly we need programs for Public Awareness. Masonry does so many good things; but, we won't let our light shine. Third we must Practice our Principles in the home, the house of worship and our work place.

We must meet on the level. We must practice our teachings and not just give them lip service. Titles and Jewels do NOT make a Mason. It is the shadow you cast and the image you create. When the question is asked, "Whither are you traveling?" I hope we are all prepared to apply our Masonic Teachings to an effort to promote a stronger fraternity and a better community.

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TESTIMONIAL

Wednesday Evening, November 20, 1991

Honoring

R. W. Paul J. Rogers

Editor, Monroe Masonic News, 1983-1991

The Party House
877 Behan Road

Social Hour (Cash Bar) 6:00 P.M.

Dinner 7:00 P.M.

Choice Roast of Beef
Baked Filet of Sole
or
Stuffed Chicken Breast

\$16.00 per person

Guest Speaker: M. W. Robert C. Singer
Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of the State of New York

Make your check payable to "Testimonial Dinner" and mail to:
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Committee: T. Pagla, D. Dell, J. McCullough, R. Meier, R. Pettit

Doric Council No. 19

Cryptic Masons
(Chartered in 1861)
Lawrence W. Dunn, III, Master
L. Edward Walker, Recorder



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3rd
Wednesdays
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Masonic Temple
875 Main St. East
Rochester, N.Y. 14605

By Illustrious Hugh H. Robertson

As we start our year in Council, we are looking forward to renewed efforts to build a better organization. We cannot do it alone. Your presence at meetings will do a lot to ensure this.

As used to be the custom, we plan to wear tux for all meetings.

Most Ill. Grand Master
Our Most Illustrious Grand Master Richard C. Hadley will visit Doric Chapter on October 16th. We will be having a dinner and the place will be announced later.

DDGM

Our meeting on November 20th will be the Official Visit of the D.D.G.M. Richard L. Plue. We will be having a dinner on this night, also.

Looking ahead, Cyrene Commandery will join us on November 7th for our Night at the Races in Batavia. Please join us whenever you can.



Genesee Valley Assemblage No. 1

MASONIC TEMPLE
875 Main Street East
Rochester, N.Y. 14605

By Ronald J. Bertie, Commander

Your assemblage had the 2nd annual steak roast at the home of Ron and Elaine Bertie. There were approximately 40 people present. There continues to be interest from other areas of the country on establishing new assemblages of our order.

Grand Commander

Our Grand Commander, M.S. Raymond R. Beardsley has asked that our assemblage put on the Order of David and Judas Maccabeus for potential members in the Buffalo, New York area. Our Grand Lecturer, R.S. John Tijou is currently putting together his cast for the two degrees. We will communicate with you when we are ready to do the work.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Companion Robert Cook who had a very successful Grand Commandery here in Rochester. Best of luck for a successful year for the new Officers.

Hamilton Chapter NO. 62

Royal Arch Masons
(Chartered in 1819)



2nd & 4th
Thursdays

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

By Ex. Hugh H. Robertson

At our meeting on October 10th, we will have the pleasure of Ralph Rubenstein as our guest speaker. Formerly, Ralph was a tinsmith at the Genesee Country Museum. As this seems to be a dying trade, he would be glad to speak to anyone interested in this art.

October 26

There will be **NO** meeting on October 24th, **BUT**, Orient (formerly Beaver Chapter) will be here on October 26th. Hamilton will be putting on the Holy Royal Arch Degree for candidates as well as for the Orient Chapter. The Rochester Chapter O.E.S. is putting on a swiss steak dinner for us all. That will be on the night of Saturday October 26th and there will be entertainment, followed by dancing. Let's show our guests a real warm reception. November, as usual, will have only one meeting and one in December on the 12th.

Degrees

Information regarding the following degrees should be of interest to you. These include:

The Most Excellent Master will be in Webster on October 9th.

The Holy Royal Arch Degree will be October 26th by the Hamilton Chapter. Rehearsal for the Holy Royal Arch will be held the morning of the Degree (Oct. 26th) at 9:30 a.m. If you have a part, please be there. In addition, the Council Officer's meeting will follow the rehearsal for the Holy Royal Arch on October 26th. As I expect to be welcoming the guests, V.P. Mike Staub will be handling this meeting.

Please make an effort to be present at all meetings as it is you that makes them tick.

Staggered Schedules for improved Attendance

Because of younger Masons at the height of their business and professional careers, and who are in the midst of raising families, some York Rite chapters/councils, etc., in the New York metropolitan area meet on a staggered schedule.

Chapters meet in the autumn months, the Council meets only in Winter and the Commandery meets only in the Spring.

This careful apportioning of meetings enables these younger Freemasons to meet family, business or professional, and Blue Lodge involvements with a minimum of distraction by the demands of active York Rite involvement.

(reprinted from "The President's Corner" in the February 1991 issue of "Philalethes" magazine)

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Royal Arch Masons
Michael Staub, King

4th Tuesday

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By Michael W. Staub

It seems like only yesterday since we started on our separate ways for Summer break, and already I find myself writing the October letter. By the time you read this we will have already helped with the MMM Degree and our King Bill Zufall and his very talented cast of characters will have conferred the PM Degree.

Picnic

For those of you who missed it, we had a great picnic at the Kuehnes' hill top resort. What a view! My heartfelt thanks for their warm hospitality. Thanks also to the miracle meat man, our King Bill Zufall and his Beloved Queen Audrey for procuring such excellent steaks. My mouth is still watering at the memory. To all the companions and their families who came, thank you for your attendance. We had a great time. To those companions who didn't receive my letter concerning the picnic (I've recently discovered there were a few), my apologies. I'll try and do better next time, and for those of you who couldn't make it, you missed a fantastic day, but there is always next year. As for this year:

- Oct. 8 Planning Committee Cathedral Hall 7:30 p.m.
- Nov. 5 Practice (Balloting and receiving visitors)
- Nov. 19 Fervency and Zeal Program at Towpath Lodge Election of Officers and Masonic Youth Night
- December 10 Installation of Officers and Christmas Party

Need a ride?

The Fervency and Zeal team will also be very active this Fall. More on that in my next letter. Please join us if you can. If you need a ride or would like more information on the Chapter, please call me at 342-1947. I'm looking forward to seeing you at our next meeting.

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

By L. W. Dunn, Pre-Em. Gov.

Many thanks to all who were at our first meeting of the year held at the Masonic Temple in Hilton on September 14, 1991. The meeting was a success and the dinner afterwards was delicious as always.

December meeting

Our next meeting will be December 14th at the Masonic Temple in Fairport. Time will be 3:00 p.m. and tux is required for the officers. This is the meeting in which we present the names of those whom we wish to have as members. Please have names ready for this meeting. We need new members. We will keep you informed about the dinner afterwards in the letter I send out in November.

There are no meetings in October or November, so have a grand time till we meet again. We can all

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By Ronald Bertie, Commander

We have had a very successful year to this date. So far we have had a pot luck supper, a full form opening of Commandery, a family picnic, a Go To Church Sunday and marched in a Memorial Day Parade. We also had the honor of presenting Rev. and Sir Knight Charles Roberts with an honorary membership in our Commandery.

Grand Commandery Conclave

The annual Grand Commandery Conclave was held here in Rochester from Sept. 20-22. Sir Knight Robert Cook PGC and his staff did an excellent job in running the Conclave. Sir Knight Cook PGC traveled many miles in the last year visiting commanderies across the State. Our new Grand Commander is Sir Knight Warren Romaine and is from the New York City area.

Local Conclaves

Conclaves in October - first one is on October 11th at 8:00 p.m. at the Masonic Temple. The Schicker Club will also meet that night. Refreshments afterwards.

The second is on October 25th at 8:00 p.m. at the Masonic Temple. Speaker will be S.K. Raymond Hager P.G.C. He will talk about what an Inspector Officer looks for in the Commandery. Should be very interesting. Refreshments afterward.

Our Orders for the Commandery will be put on in early November. Our degree director David Lathers, PC, is from Cyrene Commandery. Dave is planning rehearsals for the orders. Remember to bring in petitions so we have a good class.

Batavia Downs

We are planning on having a Ladies Night at Batavia Downs on Thursday November 7th, 1991. There will be a buffet at approximately 6:15 p.m. Contact Sir Knight Stanley V. Peterson PC for reservations and additional information.

We will be having our annual Christmas toast with Monroe Commandery, which is this year's host.

Sir Knight John Waldock is still at St. John's Home.

Caring Is Everything

get together with the Commandery at Batavia Downs on November 7, 1991. It would be nice to see new faces there and as always a grand time will be had by all. Contact Stanley V. Peterson for reservations.

Illness

Companion John Waldock is still in St. John's Home and would like to have visitors. Companion Hugh Robertson's wife has been in the hospital for a hip operation and should be home now. Send cards to them, they would be deeply appreciated. If you hear of anything else that would be of interest to all, please let us know so we can do something. Thanks.



Lalla Rookh GROTTTO

By Gordon Dodge

September was an interesting month for Lalla Rookh Grotto. We had a visit from the Deputy Grand Monarch of the Grottoes of North America - S. Joseph Farrell of Shedad Grotto in Brockton, Mass. - who will be the Grand Monarch in 1993 when LALLA ROOKH GROTTTO will host the Supreme Council National Convention in Rochester, N.Y. Prophet Farrell also spoke to the ladies of the Caldron after the meeting. A light snack was served to all afterwards by the Master of Ceremonies Mike Bell and his committee.

Fall Convention

September continued with the Empire State Grotto Association Fall Convention being held in Toronto. Prophet Victor Mohr of Kharram Grotto in Jamestown, N.Y. was elected President. Various competitions, parties and good times were enjoyed by all in between the business meetings.

October

October should be interesting

also as we have planned a short form ceremonial for our new candidates. So please help out the Cast Director, George Knierim when he asks for your assistance. Get that petition signed by that Master Mason friend and get it into the Grotto office.

Sickness and Distress

Cards would be welcomed by Ann Maas, Shirley Ambeau, Kay Charron, Ted Theodor, Dorothy McClary and Gerald Brugger. Call the Grotto office at 271-6987 for any address you might need.

Notice

The Monarch's Ball in honor of our Monarch G. Merch Merritt P.M. will be held on November 2, 1991 at the Gateway Banquet Center in Henrietta. Call the Chief Justice Gordy Dodge at 334-3660 for information on price and times or check the form in the October issue of the Grotto News. Let's have a good showing for Merch, who has put in many years in the quarries of Masonry and Grottoism.

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VETERANS SERVICE COMMITTEE

By W. Chris Starr
We hope that all of you are in good health! Here's the VA Medical Center News for October, from Canandaigua:

POW/MIA Coordinator Named

Mr. Jeff Hainge, a social worker at the Center, has been appointed POW/MIA Coordinator. He's been at the Center for 16 years in Residential Care. He will be working with the 60 POW's listed in the Center's register, as well as reaching out to others in the greater Rochester area. Jeff served in the Army during the Vietnam War. He tells us it is estimated that there over 80,000 living former POW's from WWI to the present. They are more prone to illness and hospital stays because of the physical deprivation and psychological stress they experienced during their captivity. Former POW's can contact Jeff at (716)394-2000x3261.

Volunteer Badges

Volunteers with 3 years or 300 hours should now have their special photo ID badge. If not, they should stop by the Volunteer Lounge at Building 7 on October 8th between 6 and 9 p.m. to have photos taken. If you question your eligibility, call the Volunteer office at (716)396-3645. Remember: the photo is free and it doesn't hurt. Just give that great big, volunteer smile!

Domiciliary Anniversary

Over 200 attended the one year anniversary of the 50 bed facility that acts as a bridge for homeless veterans being discharged back into the community. Homeless veterans from Albany to Buffalo have been served to date. There are currently 34 such domiciliaries in the Country and 3 are in New York State.

vices available at the Center, call Mrs. Nessler at (716)394-2000x3407.

Government Grant

The Department of Veterans Affairs has granted \$687,000, of which \$247,000 is designated to begin a halfway house for former psychiatric patients to begin their return to the community. Of 127 Centers submitting grant requests, Canandaigua was one of 13 awarded

monies. Some is devoted to hiring additional professional staff, and some to renovate an existing building for the halfway house as well as the purchase of a van. This all will be part of a 3 phase Psychiatric Rehabilitation Program. The program intent is to free beds for others on a current waiting list. There are 220 such beds now.

New Ambulatory Care Chief

Mrs. Rena Nessler is now in charge. She has been with the Center over 19 years. She is also responsible for female veteran patients and there are 9 women among the 700 inpatients today. Rena is a veteran, having served in the U. S. Navy from 1969 to 1972. She was elected the first woman Commander of the Geneva Legion Post, which has over 945 members. Anyone interested in Medical Ser-

Masonic Volunteer Reminders

All new volunteers are required to obtain a TB test, given free of charge, and arranged in the Admissions Office. Please forward the test card to Volunteer Service.

Remember to give a small portion of your time to those service men and women who have given so much for the protection and preservation of our freedoms. Those with a permanent residence in our VA Medical Centers need the care and presence we provide as Masons, at ward parties, bringing treats, providing a pat on the back and the warmth of a Masonic handshake. Come to the monthly breakfast at the Canandaigua Masonic Temple, then join in the pilgrimage of love to the Center. Start with a phone call to this reporter at (716)454-1598 joining the brothers and their ladies, filling out a simple application and thereby receiving an official volunteer ID badge.

The Volunteer Trestleboard

October 13 and November 10 are regular ward visit dates. On December 10, we will Christmas gift wrap and on the 22nd, hold our Christmas Party (with breakfast from 11 a.m. to noon, followed by the ward visit at 1 p.m.)

here a list of individuals who have already submitted completed Applications for Membership along with an accompanying check for \$9.00 which covers the Initiation Fee and first year's dues. We are receiving both requests for applications and completed applications on a daily basis; however, the following are those from whom we have received completed applications, with dues paid as of our closing deadline of September 10, 1991: Alexander Arthur; Gerald Becker P.C.; Robert W. Belt P.C.; Chapin Blake; David L. Bishop; Harold Bollotin; Albert W. Brown; Donald Brugger; Lawrence Geith P.C.; Frank Ghyzel; Frank Jansson P.C., Commander-Designate; Roger McCaughey; Jay McCullough; Don McDill P.C.; Pat McNenny; Alfred K. Miller; John Naylor P.C., P. Cdr. Gen'l; Thomas Paglia; Donald Rose; James Scobell; Wayne Slack; James Spencer; Charles C. Spiegel, Adj.-Designate; Paul Spillane, Finance Officer-Designate; Stephen Whittaker; James B. Willis.

Information

In addition to the above, we have

Masonic Grand Lodge

Of the State of New York

Lodge Leadership Services Committee

District Chairmen

1st Monroe
Bro. John Zabel

2nd Monroe
W. William R. Lindsay

By John Zabel

The Lodge Leadership Services Committee for the First Monroe District provides several services to the Masters, Wardens and members of the Lodges in the District. We have applications for the Leadership Training Correspondence Course for those brothers who were unable to attend the course on September 1st. We have a set of Grand Lodge Service Letters that can be used by the Wardens to develop Lodge programs for their year as Master. We also have a slide presentation developed by the Masonic Renewal Task Force showing where candidates for our Lodges can be found plus demographics of our Lodges.

As District Chairman of the Lodge Leadership Services Committee, I will be contacting Masters and Wardens of the Lodges in the District. My purpose is to arrange a time to present the Masonic Renewal Task Force slide show, to talk about the Leadership Training Correspondence Course and to talk about the Chancellor Robert Livingston Masonic Museum and Library reading programs. I have already contacted some of the Lodges in the First Monroe District and have either given the presentations or have them planned.

The development of competent and well trained leaders of our fraternity is essential for our growth and even survival. The Leadership Services Committee is dedicated to supporting this development with the individual Lodges and among the general membership. Questions on the committee services, or to obtain more information on the services outlined above, please call me, John Zabel, at 223-3228 (evenings) or 724-0411 (days).

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Industrialist Henry Ford.

received numerous requests for information and petitions for membership which we are sending out as quickly as possible.

Further, Thursday, December 19, 1991 at 7:00 p.m., in Doric Hall at the Downtown Temple, has been selected as the time and place for the formal presentation of Charter members and the installation of Officers of the re-established/re-activated Post.

We will update you further on developments relative to this reactivation and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at (716) 385-2429.

Masonic Youth Activities



Left to Right: R.W. David C. Clarke, DeMolay Master Councilor Jason W. Staub, R.W. Sheldon K. Blank, Deputy Grand Master and R.W. Gerald J. Glaser

R.W. Sheldon K. Blank, Deputy Grand Master, was Commander in the East for the conferral of the DeMolay Legion of Honor upon R.W. David C. Clarke and R.W. Gerald J. Glaser at a ceremony held at Charlotte-Corinthian Temple on September 15th.

Both recipients of the honor are Past District Deputy Grand Masters and active in the Masonic Service Bureau. R.W. Glaser is a Past President of the Bureau, and R.W. Clarke is the present Vice-President. They have both held high office in Concordant bodies as well as in symbolic Masonry, and are active in the Rochester DeMolay Advisory Council.

Karen Leipold on her appointment as District Deputy Grand Matron, Order of the Eastern Star, State of New York. Also, we congratulate Rt. Wthy. Fred Ambeau, District Grand Lecturer, Order of the Eastern Star, State of New York. Hope you both have a good year.

Recent Events

On September 14th, we had our first meeting since June. It was short! We then worked on swaps for our convention in October. September 10th we served dinner for Fame Lodge. Sorry I was unable to attend, but I'm sure you had swift and polite service! Thank you to Cynthia Lynch, the Supervisors and Daddies who were able to go and help. The 15th of September was a great day. We had a baked food sale at Ames in Brockport. The money we earned will go to Beloved Queen Mary Fisher's charities. I would like to say that it is wonderful to see an article from Constellation in its place in the Youth Section of the Masonic Times.


My Famous Last Words

Well, it's the next issue and again I say my famous words: if you know any girl between the ages of 11 and 21, please contact me at 334-7953.

Our Sympathy

Our Triangle would like to extend our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Elsie Gurner (past Jr. Deputy of Lilac Triangle), Matron of Lea Court, on the death of her mother.

Order of DeMOLAY



In Monroe County


Advisor Honor Key Award
Brother Michael Staub was escorted to the East and presented with the Advisor Honor Key of the International Supreme Council of DeMolay in recognition of his exceptional service and commitment to the Order of DeMolay. Brother Staub is Past Dad of Rochester Council of DeMolay, and his son, Jason W. Staub, is Rochester Council's Master Councilor.

**Got Any
Projects?**

The members of the Rochester Chapter of DeMolay are looking for various community and/or charitable projects to help them earn points to qualify for merit awards.

Call Chapter Dad Mike Staub at 342-1947 if you have activities that qualify.

Fidelity Triangle #4



By Amy Lynch, Past Beloved Queen
Congratulations to Rt. Wthy.

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By Roger E. McCaughey
In last month's issue of Masonic Times, it was announced that we're seeking to re-establish and possibly combine the James A. Hard Post #18 and the Wayne Charter Post #12 of the Masonic War Veterans of the State of New York. Toward that end we published a special telephone number and suggested that anyone interested should call us for an application and/or further information.

Membership List

The response to that announcement has been far more positive and enthusiastic than we had thought possible, and as promised in the last issue, we are publishing

Charles Spiegel, Jr., Editor

**From the Desk of:
The Commander in Chief**

Ill. James B. Scobell, 33°

Looking Ahead

We were honored at our Annual Scottish Rite Outing to have as our guests, Ill. Carlton A. Winchester, 33° Active and Deputy for New York, M. W.; and Ill. Bruce W. Widger, 33° Active and Past Grand Master and Ill. Harold F. Dates, 33° Active. We also had many guests from the Valleys of Jamestown, Buffalo, Syracuse and Utica. In addition, we had the pleasure of having Luke Balsamo from the Naval R.O.T.C. at the U. of R., who was the recipient of the National Sojourners Award in 1991. I know he had a wonderful time talking with everyone. I again want to thank our Thrice Potent Master, Pat McNenny for arranging this affair.

Calendars Booklets Available

The 1991-1992 Pocket Appointment Calendars have been mailed to all members. If you have not received yours, please call the Scottish Rite office at 271-0715. I hope that all the Brothers will use these calendars for the events and meetings for the coming year.

October Meetings

Our October meeting will be Past Presiding Officers Awards Night. This is the Program that had to be rescheduled because of the March

George Washington Tells Why

"My first desire to become a Mason was due to the fact that many of Virginia's noblest sons were members of the Fraternity. Therefore, it was not without forethought that on Saturday evening, November 4, 1772, in the village of Fredericksburg, I was made an Entered Apprentice Mason."

The Masonic lessons I learned on my admission to Masonry and my contact and conversation with prominent Masons thereafter were of the greatest encouragement in after years when I encountered and underwent severe trials, especially those of commencement and during the Revolution."

It was at this time that friendly counsel reached my ears to the effect that some of the men regarded me as a slave owner and as

ice storm. The Co-chairmen of this program are Harold Bollotin, Sovereign Prince and Gordon J. Ball, immediate Past Sovereign Prince. I hope that all past presiding officers will make a special effort to attend this evening and support these chairmen. The Annual Scottish Rite Ladies Night will be held at the Party House on October 18th. Charles W. Simpson, 32°MS, 1st Lt. Commander of Rochester Consistory, has arranged for a wonderful evening for the ladies. To the top three officers of each of the Bodies, I want to bring to their attention that the Area No. 1 Meeting of the New York Council of Deliberation will be held on October 19th in Jamestown, New York. Please mark your calendars and plan to be there.

Fall Reunion Sponsor

I am pleased to announce that Ill. Rodney R. Rittenhouse, 33°, has accepted the sponsorship of our Fall 1991 and Spring 1992 Reunion Classes. Get your petitions in to the office as soon as possible as the Reunion begins on November 21st.

In closing, I want to thank all the Brothers for their cooperation last year. I am looking forward to another successful and enjoyable year.

aristocrat and that they abhorred my Episcopacy. I decided at once to dispel such thoughts from my comrades' minds and on one occasion sat in a Masonic Lodge at Cambridge of which an Orderly-Sergeant was Master. I made it a point to 'meet upon the level' and part upon the square' with all my comrades, regardless of rank or position and my reward was the loyalty and friendship of all far beyond my expectation."

There is no doubt in my mind that Masonry and its lessons were helpful throughout the Revolution both upon the battlefield and in the Legislative assembly."

(reprinted from the Scottish Rite News, Peoria, Ill.)

A friend is one who dislikes the same people you do.

Anonymous

Scottish Rite Degree Dates in the Northern Jurisdiction from September 1991 through January 1992.**New York**

Albany 10/5 (Lake Placid), 10/19
Binghamton 10/25, 10/26
Buffalo 11/8, 11/15, 12/6, 12/13, 1/17, 1/24, 1/31

Corning 10/26, 11/2

Jamestown 10/29, 10/30, 11/8, 11/9

New York 10/17, 10/24, 11/9

Norwood 10/28, 11/25, 1/27

Rochester 11/21, 11/22, 11/23

Rockville Center 12/5, 12/12, 12/14

Schenectady 11/1, 11/2

Syracuse 10/28, 11/11, 12/9, 12/16

Utica 10/18 (Mohawk), 11/1

(Oneida), 11/15, 12/20 (1/2

Rome), 1/17

Watertown 11/12, 11/26

White Plains 11/4, 1/20

New Jersey

Northern New Jersey

Southern New Jersey

Trenton

All at Statewide Reunion held at Lincoln Park on 11/9 and 11/16

Pennsylvania

Allentown 11/2, 11/9

Altoona 11/7, 11/8, 11/9

Bloomsburg 11/19, 11/20, 11/21, 11/22

Coudersport 10/18, 10/19

Erie 10/28, 10/29, 10/30, 10/31 (Zem Zem Temple)

Harrisburg 11/14, 11/15

Lancaster 10/19

New Castle 11/16

Oil City 10/25, 10/26

Philadelphia 10/18, 11/15, 12/20

Pittsburgh 11/15, 11/16

Reading 11/21, 11/22, 11/23

Seranton 11/14, 11/15, 11/16

Towanda 11/9

Uniontown 11/1, 11/2

Williamsport 11/22, 11/23

Ohio

Akron 11/21

Cambridge 11/7, 11/8, 11/9

Canton 10/24, 10/25, 10/26

Cincinnati 11/8, 11/9

Cleveland 11/22, 11/23

Columbus 12/6, 12/7

Dayton 11/14, 11/15, 11/16

Steubenville 11/2, 11/8, 11/9

Toledo 11/1, 11/2

Youngstown 10/25, 10/26

Freemasonry? What Should We Say About

What should we tell our non-Masonic friends when they ask questions about Freemasonry?

When these questions arise, and they often do, our response will undoubtedly influence the mental attitude of our friends toward ourselves and the Craft in general.

We should not take a timid approach to our answers. We should not indicate a desire to "change the subject. We should not reflect a "mums-the-word" attitude.

A Way of Life

Instead, we should be prepared to speak with ease, pride and authority. Make it known that Freemasonry is a way of life.

Basic Tenets

Freemasonry is fraternal in organization, religious in character, based on the belief in the Fatherhood of God, Brotherhood of Man and the Immortality of the Soul.

Be prompt to make it known that Freemasonry is not a "se-

Brother Maupin Elected to Receive Meritorious Service Award in 1992

Brother Arthur F. Maupin was elected to receive the Meritorious Service Award from the New York Council of Deliberation at Grand Island, New York on June 16, 1991. He will receive his award in June 1992 at the Council of Deliberation meeting at Lake Placid, New York.

Has Held Numerous Offices

Brother Maupin was raised a Master Mason in June 1962 at Charlotte Lodge No. 1088. He joined the Scottish Rite Bodies and received the 32° On November 30, 1970. He has been an active participant in the 16° and 32° in addition to his being Tiler for the past 6 years. He joined Damascus Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S. in 1970 and has held the following offices: Member, Damascus Temple Legion of Honor; President of Damascus Temple Greeters in 1982; Treasurer of the Greeters since 1984; Treasurer of the Damascus Temple Shrine Lunch Club since 1988. He has always been an able and willing helper whenever approached for a job.

Professional and Family

Brother Maupin has an AAS Degree in Electronics from the Rochester Institute of Technology. He is a retiree of Eastman Kodak Co. He and Elaine have been married for 43 years, have two children, Dolores Elaine and Raymond Arthur, and two grandchildren. Brother Maupin and his wife are active members of Wesley United Methodist

Church where he has served as a Sunday School teacher, on the Worship Commission and the Administrative Board. In the Wesley Senior Club, he is the Program Director.

Military

From April of 1942 to October of 1945, Brother Maupin served in the United States Army. He is a member of the American Legion D.A.V.

We wish Brother Arthur F. Maupin continued success in his future endeavors.

What is the Meritorious Service Award?

This honor is granted by the fifteen Councils of Deliberation to

Thirty-second Degree or Thirty-third Degree Masons nominated for the award by the presiding officers of local bodies. Supreme Council law limits the number of such awards to one member a year from each body in a state, subject to reduction by each

Council of Deliberation. At the end of July, 1987, there were 1,600 holders of the Meritorious Service Award throughout the Northern Jurisdiction.



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Hi-Lights

Order of the Eastern Star District of Monroe, State of New York

By Rt. Wthy. James E. Comstock

Summer Activities

Although our Chapters were in recess, the members of the Order of Eastern Star spent a busy and productive summer.

Pilgrimage Day (July 27th) was well attended (about 87 people) by Monroe District. The weather was perfect and the trip problem free. A very enjoyable day altogether!

The Steering Committee for Wanda's Peach Express resumed activity on August 1st, setting plans in motion for Fall events. The first of these events was the Peach Festival in Webster on August 17th. The event was a huge success! We received rave notices in several Town publications on our Chicken Bar-B-Que and our participation in the bed race, sponsored by the Neighbor Day Committee.

Appointments Announced

The Past Grand Officers picnic, held at Shangri-la in Webster, was another successful outing with good attendance, good food and good fellowship! At this gathering, Rt. Wthy. Donna Laundry announced that Rt. Wthy. Karen Leopold had been appointed District Deputy Grand Matron and Rt. Wthy. Fred Ambeau had been appointed District Grand Lecturer for 1992. These officers will be installed at Grand Chapter Sessions in Niagara Falls on October 17th. Rt. Wthy. Karen is thrilled and excited about her appointment. She is busy making plans for her year. Rt. Wthy. Fred also is very pleased with his appointment. We wish them both much success and enjoyment in their new duties.

To the Grand East!

Rt. Wthy. Wanda Williams, Associate Grand Conductress, has found the initial year in her travels to the Grand East to be a tremendous experience. It has been very fulfilling for her and she extends her thanks and appreciation to all who have worked so diligently for her.

We members of the Steering Committee also extend our thanks to all who have worked so hard in the past year. We have had a great beginning and look forward to greater success in the ensuing year.

Spaghetti Dinners

Our Spaghetti Dinners started in September and will continue to be held on the First Friday each month at the Webster Masonic Temple. Please spread the word to all of your friends. It's a nice night out!

Calendar Events

Rt. Wthy. Don Freeman has tickets for reservations for Grand Chapter Sessions (544-1149).

Your Matron has tickets for the District Banquet at Logan's on the 26th.

Clip and save the calendar on the back page of the Paper as a memory jogger for other events.

Dine with Wanda's Peaches

SPAGHETTI DINNER

Sponsored by

Order of the Eastern Star
Webster Masonic Temple

Friday October 4th
4:30 p. m. - 7:00 p. m.
Adults \$5.00
Children (under 12) \$3.00

It's always good to lend a sympathetic ear, but sometimes hard to get it back.

Mickey Mansfield

NOLA Chapter No. 368

Order of the Eastern Star
Wthy. Susan Drake, Matron
293-1147
Rt. Wthy. Carol Wynings, Secretary
594-4692

1st & 3rd Tuesdays
8:00 p.m.

20 South Main Street
Churchville, N. Y. 14428

By W. Avis Theis

It didn't seem to take long and we were in the swing of things with events piling up. We are looking forward to seeing everyone at the train ride. Remember to bring a dish to pass, beverage, and your table service for the picnic supper.

Our sincere sympathy is extended to W. Judy and Bro. John Lenzi on the death of her father.

Best wishes to S. Abby Learn who is back home after a few days in the hospital. We will be thinking of W. Dorothy Erion who was to have knee surgery September 17.

Future Meetings

The October 1st meeting will be a regular meeting as the Birthday Dinner will be held November 5th. October 15th meeting will also be Grand Chapter. W.M. Susan Drake will be out of town in October, so the Associate Matron will protem.

Officers

The Chapter is doing well getting officers for the next year. We still need an Esther. How nice it would be if someone would come forward to be our musician. Music is fundamental-one of the great sources of life, health, strength, and happiness. Call S. Wilda, 293-1405 if you can help in any way.

November's committee members are W. Avis Theis, S. Kathleen Skelton and Diane Drake.

W. Susan Drake has started back to night school to get her R.N. We give her our support and good wishes.

Once more the jack-o-lantern with the fearsome grinning face!
Once more a band of witches to come flying around the place!
Once more two little goblins on the stairway will be seen,
And a fond and foolish love for having fun on Halloween.

Masonic Grand Lodge Of the State of New York Fellowship Committee

District Chairmen:

1st Monroe: 594-2427
Wayne McCrossen
2nd Monroe: 586-0238
Glenn A. Hedges

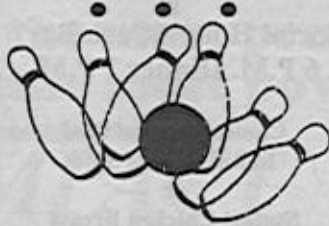
ATTENTION!

Meeting for Lodge Fellowship
Committee Chairmen in the

Monroes
OCTOBER 30, 1991
7:30 P. M. in the 3rd flr. Dining
Room, Rochester Temple

Masonic Sports Briefs

Masonic Gothic Bowling League



Gerald Glaser, Secretary
381-3340 or 442-5825

New York State Mixed Bowling Tournament October 5 & 6 Seaway Lanes at Seaway Plaza Watertown, N. Y.

For further info, contact
Glenn Hedges at 586-0238

Wakan-Hubbard Golf Tournament Results

By Don Bell

On August 4, 1991, Wakan-Hubbard Lodge held its first annual Wakan-Hubbard Invitational Golf Tournament at Shadow Pines Golf Club. The tournament was open to Masons and their guests, and a good time was enjoyed by all.

Trophy Winners

Brother Brian J. Iannacone won the trophy for Low Gross for the Lodge. Since this was the third consecutive time that Bro. Brian has won this trophy, it will be retired in proper ceremonies at the Lodge. He also won a trophy for the drive closest to the pin.

Ray Wright won the trophy for Low Net-overall, and Bro. Sam Ruggeri won the trophy for Low Net-for the Lodge. Bro. Sam also won a trophy for the Longest Drive (on the fairway).

On the lighter side, Brother Steve Teugeman, who tied with Brother Bob Harris for Highest Net, took home the trophy for the Horses Rear, while Brother Bob took home the trophy for the Horses Front End. Charles Brugger won a trip to Toronto for the Highest Gross score.

Numerous other prizes were awarded at the dinner following the tournament.

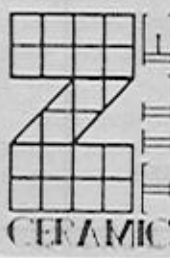
And That's That

Part of marriage
Is the Spat.
And making up
Is where love's at.

Frank Tyger

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In Memoriam



GAMBRILL, Douglas W.
Retired President of Luster Coate Corp. He was a member of Churchville Lodge #667, the Scottish Rite and Shrine of Tampa, Fl. He died August 19, 1991 and is survived by his wife, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren and sisters.

HEWITT, Kenneth A.
A member of Northfield Lodge No. 426 and a resident of Hill Haven Nursing Home. He died August 19, 1991

HILL, Robert A. Jr.
A member of Genesee Lodge #507, he died August 20, 1991 at the age of 86. He is survived by his wife, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

MILLER, Paul
A member of Seneca Lodge No. 797 for 41 years, and a 33- in Rochester Consistory. He fostered Gannett Newspaper's growth to the largest in the country. He died August 21, 1991 and is survived by his wife, children and grandchildren.

ALLEN, Helen P.
A member of Rochester Chapter No. 314, O.E.S. who died August 24, 1991. She is survived by her husband, children and other family members.

LABAIE, Marv B.
Past Matron of Leah Chapter No. 183, O.E.S., she died August 26, 1991. She is survived by her husband, children and grandchildren.

OLIN, Milo
A member of Constellation Lodge No. 404 in Perry, N.Y., and also a member of Rochester Consistory. He passed away on August 26, 1991.

PURVIN, Maurice (Maury)
Died August 28, 1991. He was a member of Valley Lodge No. 109 and Damascus Shrine. He is survived by his sister and other family members and friends.

September

CLANCY, Mabel A.
Past Matron of Corinthian Chapter No. 322, O.E.S., she passed away September 14, 1991. She is survived by children, a grandchild, sister and other family members.

CLARK, James H. III
Rt. Lt. Col. A member of Pultneyville Masonic Lodge No. 159 and Damascus Shrine of Rochester. He was a Williamson Town Justice. Survived by his children, grandchildren and other family members. He passed away September 15, 1991.

KOEHLER, Eldred L.
Passed away September 18, 1991. He was a member of Henrietta Lodge No. 526 for 61 years. He is survived by his son and other family members.

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Masonic Activities

Looking Ahead

By R. W. John Dence

- (To include events: Call 288-2990)
- Nov. 1 Lea Court Chapter - OES - K. Leopold Reception
 - Nov. 2 Grotto - Monarch's Ball-Gateway-Henrietta
 - Nov. 4 Genesee-Wyoming District Convention - Perry
 - Nov. 5 Germania Potluck Dinner @ 6:30 p.m.
Warsaw - 2°
Ionic Chapter - practice
Nola Chapter - OES - Birthday Dinner
F. Ambeau's Reception-OES-Roch. Temple
 - Nov. 7 Scottish Rite Family Night
Commandery at Batavia Downs
 - Nov. 9 Zone #11 Knight Templar Pilgrimage
 - Nov. 10 Visit to Canandaigua VA Medical Center
 - Nov. 11 Fairport Move-up
 - Nov. 12 Towpath Bring A Friend
 - Nov. 13 Masonic Service Bureau - Noon Downtown Temple
 - Nov. 18 West Star Bring A Friend
 - Nov. 19 Ionic Chapter - Fervency & Zeal
Towpath DeWitt Clinton Award and Dinner
West Star - Bingo for patients at Batavia VA Hosp
 - Nov. 20 Grotto - Nominations
Doric Council - Official Visit
Paul Rogers Testimonial - Party House
 - Nov. 21-23 Scottish Rite Fall Reunion
 - Nov. 22 Past Masters Supper Club
 - Nov. 23 Masters and Wardens-Webster
 - Nov. 25 Fairport - 3°/Dinner/Tux
 - Nov. 26 Webster Chapter visits Ionic
 - Dec. 2 Union Star - 3°
West Star - 2°
 - Dec. 3 Warsaw - 3°
Police & Fire Sq Cl./Past President's Dinner at Strebs
 - Dec. 5 Scottish Rite Awards Nite
 - Dec. 9 Fairport Annual Communication
 - Dec. 10 Ionic Chapter Installation
 - Dec. 11 Masonic Service Bureau-Annual Meeting
Noon Maplewood Inn
 - Dec. 14 West Star Christmas Party
Genesee York Rite College at Fairport
 - Dec. 16 West Star Elections
 - Dec. 18 School of Ritual-Opening, Closing, Balloting
Grotto - Elections
 - Dec. 19 Hard Post Officers Install. - Doric Hall, Roch.
 - Dec. 23 Joint Investiture

Valley of Rochester, AASR Annua Ladies Night Dinner Dance

Friday evening,
October 13, 1991

The Party House

677 Beahan Road
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Social Hour (Cash Bar)
6 P.M. Dinner 7 P.M.

- Choice Roast of Beef
- Baked Filet of Sole
- or
- Stuffed Chicken Breast

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upon receipt of your check.

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| Jan. 30 | Purple Club |
| Feb. 29 | Widow's Luncheon - Logan's |
| Mar. 5 | Purple Club |
| Mar. 18-22 | Shrine Circus |
| Mar. 28 | Grand Ball - Logan's |
| Apr. 4 | Grand Matron's Visit - OES |
| Apr. 30 | Masonic/KofC - Buffalo |
| Jun. 4 | Purple Club |
| Aug. 15 | Metro Police & Fire Square Cl - Steak Roast |

Caring Is Everything

Answers to Masonic Quiz Game

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Question	Answer
71	B
72	A
73	C
74	A
75	C
76	C
77	B
78	B
79	C
80	B

February 29, 1992

Keep the Date Open!

Mark your calendar
NOW!

Monroe Districts

Widow's Luncheon

Noon-Saturday February 29, 1992



- By Frank Jansson
October Chairman:
Frank Jansson
October Programs
October 7: "The new Masonic Times"
Jay McCullough-Editor
October 14: "The Masonic Service
Bureau" Paul Gleason,
President
October 21 Ladies Day:
"June 1992"
Betty Nohle-Supreme
Princess Royal, Daugh-
ters of the Nile
October 28: "Open Door Mission"
Mr. Paul Snell-Adminis-
trator

Before I do anything else I must
apologize to 2nd Vice President Paul
Verthe and his wife for not listing his
name as Program Chairman for the
months of July and August.

Erie Hospital
At our last meeting in August we
voted to send another \$300.00 check
to the Erie Hospital.

Ladies Day
On October 21st we will be hav-
ing Ladies Day. This will be the
most interesting meeting, as Su-
preme Princess Royal Betty Nohle
of the Daughters of the Nile will be
telling us about the exciting things
that will be happening in Rochester
in June 1992.

The worth of a person is what he
will do for a person in need.

Bern Williams

Calendar October 1991

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Clio Towpath/formal/ 1° Craftsman 1° Germania-Off/Visit/ Dinner 6:30 Henrietta -Fellowcraft Warsaw-DeWittCl. Awd Charlotte-Corinthian Oakland, Castile West Star, Varysburg Nola Chapter, OES	2 Attica Olive Branch, LeRoy	3 Webster Northfield Constellation, Perry Hesperus, Bergen - Off/Visit/Dinner Western Star, RAM Scottish Rite, Roch.	4 Genesee-Wyoming Fish Fry at Warsaw	5 Union Star Ladies Night - Lima Ctry Club Regional Secretaries Meeting - Phoenix Lodge, Dansville, 1-4 p.m.
6 Etolian Communion Breakfast Germania - Steak Roast Union Star - DeWitt Clinton Awd Philalethes Chapter- Society President Speaks	7 John A. Robertson - By-law vote West Star - Camp Turk Video Lunch Club - all Masons welcome	8 Flower City Fame/Dinner/DeMolay Towpath/Fcft/2°rehrs Craftsman-2°rehearsal Henrietta-Off. Visit Seneca-1°/Open 5:30 Valley Simes/Dinner Monroe Ionic Chapter Arcade Batavia	9 Churchville-Bylaws O-At-Ka Triluminar (Pike) Webster - Mark Master °	10 Hesperus - Budget Eagle Valley (Bliss) 3x3 Chapter - Spcprt Hamilton Chptr 62 Batavia Commandry	11 Commandery Conclave Seneca Visit to St. Andrews Arcade Chapter	12 Hesperus/Sauerkraut Seneca in Toronto MASONIC REGIONAL SEMINARS - EASTERN DISTRICTS COLUMBUS DAY
13 Seneca in Toronto	14 Etolian Wakan Hubbard - Off. Visit Fairport - 2°/tux East.Roch.Anc.Crft. Union Star Mt. Vernon (Java) Lunch Club - all Masons welcome Col. Day Parade NYC	15 Craftsman Towpath Off. Visit/ dinner 6:30 Warsaw - 1° Henrietta-1° rehearsl Char-Corinth/2°-dinnr Valley Simes - Fcft Clio Oakland-Castile West Star-Varysburg Grand Chptr - OES	16 Attica Olive Branch-LeRoy Doric Council/GM Visit-Dinner Grand Chapter-OES	17 Hesperus-Bergen/ Rusty Mason Night Webster Northfield Constellation-Perry Western Star-Batavia Grand Chapter-OES	18 SCOTTISH RITE LADIES NIGHT	19 Fame Ladies Night Etolian - Stanley of Canada visits Spcprt Hesperus Ladies Night-Dinner 6:30 James A. Hard Post MASONIC REGIONAL SEMINAR - CENTRAL DISTRICTS
20 West Star - Chicken BBQ	21 GRAND LECTURER'S CONVENTION Etolian John A. Robertson West Star - 1° Lunch Club - all Masons welcome	22 Monroe Fame Towpath Offcfs-6:30 Henrietta - 1° Valley Simes - 3°/Dinnr Arcade Batavia LeRoy Chapter RAM	23 Union Star - 2° Churchville - 2° O-At-Ka Triluminar -Pike Ionic Chptr-Webster	24 Eagle Valley - Bliss 3x3 Chapter-Spcprt Batavia Commdry KT	25 Cyrene Commdry Conclave-Roch Temple PM Supper Club	26 M&W Winter Party - Green Acres Royal Arch ° by Orient Chptr-host/ Hamilton Chpt MASONIC REGIONAL SEMINAR - WESTERN DISTRICTS AT MCC
27	28 Wakan Hubbard-2° Fairport - Off.Visit/tux E.Roch.Anc. Craft Etolian Mt. Vernon - Java Nundawaga Council R&SM LeRoy Lunch Club - all Masons welcome	29 Henrietta - Fellowcrt OES District Banquet Logan's	30 HALLOWEEN	31		