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Who will lead NY Masons into the 21st Century?

3rd Annual Crystal Heart Award to Western NY Masons



Masonic attendees at the Ronald McDonald House' 3rd annual Red Tie Gala at Casa-Larga Vineyard (l to r): R.W. Fritz Friedrich; W. Gary Burke; R.W. Ron Mertens; W. Steve Daycock; W. John Lindsay; Chairman of this year's "Have-a-Heart" campaign W. Mike Goehle (holding the award); W. Terry Wihlen and W. John T. Keller, who was an initiator of the Have-a-Heart program 5 years ago and who has been a member of the Board and regular volunteer at the Home Away From Home ever since.

Masons held in high esteem by "Home Away From Home", Inc., the McDonald House of Rochester



Masons at the 1992 annual Red Tie Gala of the Rochester Ronald McDonald House Board of Directors include (seated): Jean and Fritz Friedrich; (standing l to r): Gary and Deborah Burke; Ron and Barbara Mertens; Diane and Steve Daycock; Jo-Carol and Terry Wihlen; Bev and John Keller and Sandy and Mike Goehle.

By R.W. H. Fritz Friedrich
The Masons of greater Rochester were honored with the Crystal Heart Award conferred by the Ronald McDonald House Board

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of Directors at its Third Annual Red Tie Gala last month.

Linda Burns, House President, made the presentation to R.W. Ronald D. Mertens, Past Junior Grand Warden, who accepted on behalf of the area Freemasons. He in turn tendered the Crystal Heart to W. Mike Goehle, Master of Seneca Lodge, who was general chairman of this year's Have-a-Heart campaign.

In the Casa Larga Vineyard ballroom overlooking the distant Genesee Valley, R.W. Mertens spoke to the capacity crowd of 250, noting that our benevolent activity with the Ronald McDonald House fits well within the Masonic principles of charity and brotherly love. He reviewed our long association with the House from its inception in 1987, the corner stone laying in October 1989 by Grand Master Swits and the entire Grand Line, and especially the Have-a-Heart campaigns for the last five years. He praised the Masons and their wives for giving their time and effort which resulted in raising

Craft rulers to decide at Grand Lodge May 4 - 5, 1992

All Grand Officers, past Grand Masters, past Deputy Grand Masters, past Grand Wardens, past Grand Treasurers, past Grand Secretaries, and one representative from each Lodge, members of the Commission of Appeals, Judge Advocate, Proctor, Trustees of the Masonic Hall and Asylum Fund, members of the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory, Trustees of the Chancellor Robert R. Livingston Library of Grand Lodge, Custodians of the Work, and the members of the Standing Committees and of the Special Committees appointed by authority of the Grand Lodge (all members of some Lodge within this jurisdiction). Section 105 of the Constitutions permits these to vote (except for the Grand Tiler).

over \$90,000 to date. This annual community project has been organized by the Monroe Districts Masters and Wardens Association; however, since its inception neighboring Masonic Districts have also started to participate.

He also announced that the Masters and Wardens Association are already making plans for next year's campaign, to be chaired by Robert Crystal with the aim of bringing the total raised to over \$100,000. □

Several challenges for Grand Lodge Offices this year

While there could be others, those expected to have their names entered in nomination as of this writing include (for the office of Grand Secretary): the incumbent Grand Secretary M. W. Robert C. Singer; past Grand Treasurer (1989-1990) R.W. Gilbert Savitsky and R.W. Julian M. Arm, (District Deputy Grand Master of First Kings 1990-1992) who also has been in charge of the Registry. (Norma Innocenti, on staff at the Grand Secretary's office, said in spite of rumors to the contrary, her name will not be placed in nomination!)

Those likewise who's names are expected to be in nomination (for the office of Grand Treasurer) include: R.W. John R. (Bud) Prout, Chairman of the Masonic Fellowship Committee and R.W. Robert D. Stack, Chairman of the Brotherhood Fund Committee.

Finally, it is our understanding that three may be in nomination for the office of Deputy Grand Master. These are: R.W. Stewart C. McCloud, Grand Treasurer; R.W. Gary A. Henningsen, Sr. Grand Deacon and R.W. William H. Mueller, past Grand Treasurer (1988-1989) and current Trustee of the Masonic Hall & Asylum Fund; also Executive Officer of NYS DeMolay.

Voting may start on Monday, the 4th, if other business moves along efficiently. Delegates are encouraged to carefully study the slate so they can make informed voting decisions where offices are being contested. Where there is more than one candidate, election is by ballot (rather than show of hands) and a majority vote elects.

R.W. Raymond P. Alvarez from the Grand Secretary's Office reminds us to think of those leaders from our Districts who we believe qualify as potential Senior and Junior Grand Wardens. Our Handbook on Masonic Law reminds us that persons to fill these elective offices "must be chosen from some part of the State other than the Metropolitan District". He suggests periodic straw polls in the Masters and Wardens Associations and/or the Purple groups to align those of our people who will be taking us into that next century.

District Deputy Grand Master and staff officer (Grand Director of Ceremonies, Grand Sword Bearer and Grand Steward) positions will be filled by Grand Master appointment, immediately following installation of Grand line officers. Those from the western NY area will officially be in their positions when they receive their appointment letters towards the end of the month. Their terms will run concurrently with the Grand Master's, and at his discretion, they may be re-appointed to a successive annual term to help maintain consistent development of his goals and objectives.

Will the Lodge year change?

This year, the second and deciding vote will be cast at Grand Lodge for Lodge officer terms to align with the Grand Lodge officer year. In other words, instead of Lodge elections in December and installations in January, they will convert to elections in May and installations no later than June 30th. This is providing our current officers vote favorably on the motion at this May's Grand Lodge assemblage. Should they do so, a Constitutional change is immediately effective, and conversions have to be completed by the end of June, 1993. Change can occur in June, 1992, January, 1993 or June, 1993 (see the article in the November, 1991 issue of this paper which described all the variables).

Lodge bylaws may have to be amended to correspond to any Constitutional revision.

Will we do Lodge Business on the First Degree?

This year's Grand Lodge assembly will see the first vote on a

Degree Fest Graduates Welcomed!

Assistant Grand Lecturers W. Richard C. Friedman (First Monroe) and W. Terry Wihlen (Second Monroe) are very proud of several Lodges in their respective Districts!

For the second year, with the Grand Master's dispensation (which M.W. Richard P. Thomas commented on when he made his presentation at the Monroes' Grand Ball), Lodges came together at the downtown Rochester Masonic Temple, under the mantle of host Lodge Valley-Simes No. 109. They had already conferred the Entered Apprentice and Fellowcraft Degrees in their normal abodes. They were now assembling to conduct all elements of the Master Mason Degree.

First section locations

Towpath and East Rochester's Ancient Craft officers "worked" in Doric Hall; Webster in Ionic Hall and later, Northfield in Doric; Charlotte-Corinthian in Ionic and Union Star combined with Churchville officers in Cathedral Hall.

Degree conclusion

All cast members and other participants came together in Cathedral Hall after lunch to portray the balance of the Degree.

There were 31 Brothers who became members of their respective Lodges. We all want to welcome, when we see them:

- Towpath No. 163
 - Bro. Richard C. Threatt
 - Bro. Thomas A. LeBeau
 - Bro. Lawrence Lundgren
 - Bro. Carl S. Fulmore
- East Rochester's Ancient Craft No. 943
 - Bro. Richard E. Lee
 - Bro. Andre Smith
 - Bro. Thomas D. Narsisian
 - Bro. Mark G. Dibelka

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EDITORIAL

Had the opportunity to appear at a "Renaissance Breakfast" at the Spencerport Schools recently to get an overview on the creation of an Education Foundation. An article on this, by Brother Neil Laundry, is in this issue of the Times. I mention it here because the program consultant, Kevin J. Armstrong, expressed a conversational interest in my Masonic activities. We discussed DeWitt Clinton's role in the Craft and with the public school system. This also led to talking about the "aging" of Craft members and younger replacements being few and far between (*did I have a prospect for a petition?!!*).

I observed that because of caring for young families, both spouses working perhaps two jobs each, the amount of time a young man can spend on fraternity is severely limited or non-existent.

This young professional disagreed, saying it's not the "I don't have the time" attitude that applies to today's young adults with respect to fraternal or service organizations, or even service to their communities as provided by their forebears. Rather, it's "I don't care".

This paper has frequently included the motto of R. W.: and the Rev. Paul J. Gleason, Jr., from when he was Service Bureau President. It's in the "filler" entitled "Caring is Everything". Is that all the phrase means to us - a filler to complete a column of newsprint? Or, should we be concentrating on how to reverse the attitude this young man senses to that pronounced by the motto?

Our good Brother Grant Romer of Valley-Simes Lodge has expressed pride in the International Museum of Photography exhibit "Enhancing the Illusion" which will be unveiled on Thursday, May 7, 1992 from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. This is at the Eastman House and it addresses the "origins and progress of photography". It "explores the evolution of photographic technology in a chronological presentation rich in artifacts drawn from the Museum's vast collections of photography and technology".

To either get an invitation for this event, or to inquire about the Museum, contact Brother Romer at the office at 271-3361. If he's not refining this or other exhibits or elsewhere on business, we're sure he'll be happy to respond to your call.

R. W.: and Dr. John Stelter from Geneva (Ark Lodge) is ever faithful in his communications with us after he has scanned each

issue of the paper. Most recently, he offered the phrase "biggest value in the fraternal press business is the Masonic Times". This kind of praise helps make us want to continue to do our best to bring you topical, entertaining and educational Fraternal offerings. We're sure it helps the range of columnists we're blessed with, in trying to give you their very best, also. Thanks, Doc.

Brother Samuel E. Steele Grover, DSA and member of John A. Robertson No. 1032 wrote us, sending a couple of clippings from early publications that he thought our readers might be interested in. One is from "The Broadcaster" from October of 1962. It featured a page 2 story on a cornerstone ceremony, describing how "the Grand Master of the State of New York laid the cornerstone of the Rochester City Hall way back in 1873". The question was raised by the staff of The Broadcaster - will Masonry play a part in the cornerstone ceremony for the new City-County Office building, and will the cornerstone from the old City Hall be put in the new building?

The answer was emphatic from Arch Merrill, author, historian and editorial writer for the Democrat & Chronicle: "Definitely not! Times have changed. Masonry isn't the powerful organization it was back in 1873."

Brother Grover notes that the silver trowel and apron used in the cornerstone laying for St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Rochester May 18, 1824, were later used for City Hall. He has been unable to interest any person in shedding light on the location of the trowel.

He also reminds us the Church is a national landmark. He is disturbed by the loss of many artifacts with no consideration for historical values.

Returning to the City Hall event, M. W.: Christopher G. Fox presided in 1873. Several thousand spectators gathered in Fitzhugh Street. There was a Main Street procession, with police, military organizations, all the bands of the city; members of Masonic lodges from Buffalo, Batavia, Geneva, Churchville, Webster, Geneseo, Henrietta and Spencerport in line (it was interesting to note that the paper titled the person presenting the tools to the Grand Master [one A. J. Warner] as the "Grand Architect").

The apron was described as "of hand-painted satin de faille and made by Sir John Emmanuel de Rohan of St. John's Lodge, London, England in 1814. It was presented to Wells Lodge of Rochester in 1824" (now Valley-Simes No. 109). The apron progressed to a mounting by William Requa and framing at the Rundell Art Gallery, where it was placed on exhibition.

The apron re-appeared, still in its frame under glass in 1989. According to an article in the November 1989 issue of the Monroe Masonic News, Brother Gordon Dodge found it while cleaning a back room in the Lalla Rookh Grotto quarters at the Rochester Temple. Finding also that it had been presented to Frank R. Lawrence Lodge No. 797 on September 9, 1929 and duly recorded in the minutes, Dodge contacted Seneca Lodge Master Richard Townsend (Seneca having

merged with Lawrence) and the apron was returned at ceremonies on October 25, 1989. It now can be seen at the Webster Masonic Temple, home of Seneca Lodge No. 797, hanging on the wall with other Lodge artifacts.

We hope Brother Grover continues his interest in Masonic lore and keeps us informed.

Met "Margie" Thomas at the Monroes Masonic Grand Ball. She is an avid reader of the Masonic Times, she tells me. She makes sure she gets it from the mail before her husband, then she reads it cover to cover. Only then does she deign to let him peruse their copy.

For those who may not see the Masonic connections here, Mrs. Thomas is the spouse of current Grand Master M. W.: Richard P. Thomas. We of course, are delighted that she finds some reading pleasure in the Times. (For our columnists, take note that your articles are being scrutinized in the highest circles of the Craft!) □

From the Grand Secretary's Desk



By M. W.: Robert C. Singer

Applause for Lodge Secretaries!

First, the good news! We in the Grand Secretary's office couldn't be more delighted with anyone than we are with the Secretaries in the 742 Lodges in the State of New York. A letter has been sent to each telling them so. This attitude is derived from their excellent cooperation in provid-

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Dear Editor:

Please convey the following message to members of the Craft and their ladies:

The Brotherhood of man under the fatherhood of God. Never has the true meaning of this been so clear to me as over the past few months.

First, I want to thank all of my Brothers and the groups of Masons for cards, visits and gifts.

ing prompt Grand Lodge Returns this year.

We have been able to accurately audit all of those Returns. Our numbers are now the most honest and fair they have ever been. There had been a large number of people on the rolls who should not have appeared there. We can now deal with what's really there!

That causes the bad news, but it's honest news. In the last year we experienced a loss of just over 5,000 members. That's more than some recent years' attrition rates have shown, but then again, they have been "guesses".

It really is a lesser number, and the reduction rate has slowed through the last few years, so that's more good news.

Current membership level

As of mid-April 1992, Grand Lodge of New York membership stands at 102,551. New member data keeps coming in at a strong level, giving us an optimistic sense of balancing attrition and gain. Degree Fests like those in the Monroe Districts certainly offer positive reinforcement of our turn-around before the turn of the century!

Lodge fiscal/administrative years

In response to W.: James Branigan's question about Lodge administrative and fiscal years, if the vote on changing Lodge years is favorable in May, 1992:

The deciding vote on the Constitutional change in the Lodge year only involves the terms of elected and appointed officers, so they run from June through May to be consistent with Grand Lodge elected and appointed officer years. There is no provision to change any other administrative or fiscal procedure of the Lodge, although each can do what it chooses in those regards by change in their bylaws.

Membership cards will continue to be based on the calendar year. Grand Lodge is changing its fiscal year to a calendar-fiscal year (January through December) for example.

This change in Lodge officers annualized terms of office, if approved this year by vote at Grand Lodge, should be treated as a very simple administrative adjustment within the various Lodges.

We at Grand Lodge view the Lodge officer year change as an

uncomplicated procedure which, when finally effected in all Lodges, will permit the work of primary Lodge officers, District officers and Grand Lodge counterparts to be concurrent, affording the Craft in New York State a higher level of efficiency from their designated leaders. □

do a great deal of printing of pictures. She knows people in Triluminal Lodge whose pictures were in the Times copy that you sent me, so I sent one to her. We talked by phone and she said the Times did an excellent job of reproducing those photos.

The other was from R. W.: Ed Jennings. He was very pleased with the articles and wanted to subscribe. I told him he would soon be getting his first copy since the Lodge had subscribed for all of its members. He was sending his copy to the Grand Lodge of Tasmania, since his Grand Rep title is from that jurisdiction. They send a similar paper to him. I thought you might like to know your efforts are greatly appreciated, and they will be seen in other parts of the world.

We all look forward to a happy association!
W.: Lewis E. Wing, Secretary, Triluminal Lodge, Pike, NY
[The staff at this paper appreciate your note, Brother Wing. Thank you and thank your daughter. Our photo experts at Prep-Tec in Rochester (Masonic Brethren also) thank you, as well.] □

My daughter and her husband have a small printing business in central NY and do a lot of custom work, including printing a magazine called "Horse Bits", so they

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Renaissance Education Foundation

By Brother Neil Laundry

At the end of March, this reporter, along with R. W.: Jay McCullough, representing Monroe Lodge No. 173, with representatives of other fraternal, civic and service groups and local businesses were invited to a breakfast

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Who will lead

potential Constitutional change in our format for conducting business in a Lodge. Traditionally we have conducted business on the Third Degree. Two successive and favorable annual votes will convert us to doing business on the First. The most obvious positive effect is that Entered Apprentices will then be able to attend Lodge communications while continuing studies for their advancement.

This is the standard method for conducting the business of Masonry, as practiced in many jurisdictions throughout the world.

The deciding vote could be taken in Rochester when Grand Lodge assembles here in May of 1993.

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Renaissance Education

in Spencerport sponsored by the administration of E. J. Wilson High School. This was in conjunction with a newly formed local Renaissance Committee.

The purpose for this event was to introduce various organizations to the concepts underlying the creation of the subject Foundation.

Attendees were told by Principal Edward Groszewski that "the mission of the Foundation is to help schools promote and achieve academic excellence - to encourage students to perform and take greater pride in the development of their skills."

"Renaissance schools excel at developing innovative academic incentives for student growth. Most Renaissance programs also find ways to recognize teachers as true professionals. Parents find a place in the Renaissance programs by supporting the extra effort their children are putting into their studies. Many schools have formed academic booster clubs and school foundations."

This program does not only recognize high achievers, according to Groszewski, but is for those who should be rewarded, having improved their grade from a D to a C or a C to a C+, for example.

"Schools just starting their programs need financial support, in-kind services and personal commitment."

Those at the Spencerport breakfast were given several examples of motivational activities and promotions which have been highly successful in advancing student pride and performance. Endeavors like these test the character and will of communities, and dare us to do great things.

The challenge to the members of the organizations the guests represented is "what part are you going to play in the Renaissance of our local educational institutions?"

Videotape

Contact the Masonic Service Association of the U. S. to get information on a new membership kit developed for Lodges. The Masonic Renewal Committee has developed the tape "I've Heard The Name - What Does It Mean". It is included in a list compiled by the MSA, and available from there, entitled "Videotape Report". Write to MSA if you would like a copy (8120 Fenton Street, Silver Spring, MD 20910-4785).

Monroe Masonry In action In a "GRAND" style

By W. Garry Hutcherson

WOW, what a great evening! This year's Grand Ball in the Monroes was the best! Fantastic food and fun for all.

Arriving starting at about 6 p.m. at the Mapledale Party House, there was a certain feeling this night was to be special. At the appropriate time, the Grand Marshal of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York, R. W. Gerd Walter, heralded a procession to the head table. When the dignitaries were positioned, the



Monroe Masters and Wardens Association 1992 Grand Ball Chairman (right) introducing the band "Catalyst" which performed for the listening and dancing pleasure of the guests.

welcome, invocation, pledge to the Flag, and introduction of distinguished guests made by this year's mc R. W. Raymond R. Beardsley. Among attendees were Sr. Grand Deacon R. W. Gary A. Henningsen and his wife Ada who flew in specially from New York City.

M. W. Richard P. Thomas and his wife were with us. The Grand Master spoke of his power of positive thinking, where it "hasn't rained on his parade" up to now when he hears the end of his two years in office.

The fun and fellowship of the members of the Monroe Lodges and some officers and their spouses from other climes, like R. W. Robert Hebner and his wife Ann from the Genesee-Wyoming District, followed the formal program. We danced the evening away to the sounds of Catalyst. Constellation Chapter and Triangle girls were present in their formal attire, as were the boys of the Rochester DeMolay Chapter.

My wife Wendy and I look forward to our invitation to the Grand Ball in 1993, which has already been scheduled for March 28th. Hope other readers will plan to be there with us!

beds, wheelchairs, portable "potties", various styles of patient lifts, crutches, canes and other assorted hospital equipment.

Imagine keeping all this equipment in good repair, suitable for lending; then keep track of this equipment as it passes into the hands of good people for use in the community! Mind-boggling some would say, while others would say impossible and throw up their hands in despair.

Each month, a few good Brothers set aside time from their busy schedules and take the responsibility of keeping the Bureau's property in good order. Let's meet the Property and Repair Committee.

The PROPERTY and REPAIR Committee is appointed by the Bureau President and given the responsibility of establishing a control and logistic system for all hospital equipment owned by the Bureau. It is also charged to obtain new, maintain present and dispense old equipment when determined by the needs of the Bureau.

These tasks are assigned to a committee overseen by a very hard working and capable Brother - R. W. Gerald Glaser. Assisting Jerry in his duties are: R. W. Vern Goodrich, Brother Don Bell, R. W. Charlie Daycock and W. Rod Meier. R. W. Don Brugger has also donated his time and assistance when the need has surfaced. I am sure our Executive Director R. W. Robert Pettit is very pleased and feels fortunate to have these dedicated Brothers to call upon.

This group has set very lofty goals and objectives for 1992. They decided to:

- Develop a control system to monitor all equipment loaned to the community.
- Create a pool of people to assist in repairing and cleaning Bureau property.
- Publicize to the community the existence of the loan closet.

• Solicit additional revenues to buy additional equipment and seek contributions of equipment for the lending closet.

When asked as a committee as to what they felt was the most important task they could undertake to strengthen the future roles of the Bureau, they answered in a single voice - "to have the community better informed that we have hospital equipment to loan to those in need" - thus promoting the Fraternity.

Given the strength of this committee, I have no fear that their goals will be reached in good order. We the members will be watching!

Next month's feature

I will be focusing on the Scholarship and Charities Committee and its role in the big picture!

The Custodians' Corner



R. W. Maurice Solomon

Q. Can you tell me when the Tartan Square Club will be demonstrating a Scottish degree? I would like to see it being done.

Q. I've heard that you belong to a group that confers degrees according to the Ritual in Scotland. Is this true, and when and where can I witness this ritual?

Q. I understand there is a group in Rochester that does Ritual work as it is done in Scotland. Is this different from our ritual, and how? Maybe you can give me some information about it.

A. There seems to have been a rash of questions and inquiries relating to the subject of Scottish ritual, and here is the answer for all who have been kind enough to ask me.

There is a group of Masons in the Monroe County area who have affiliations with Lodges in Scotland. We call ourselves the Tartan Square Club, and the reason for our existence is primarily to demonstrate the ritual as it is practiced in the Grand Lodge of Scotland. Note we can only demonstrate; we have no authority to confer degrees per se, and our exemplifications are for instruction and information, and on occasion, entertainment.

We accept a limited number of invitations each year, and these must come officially from the Lodge requesting our attendance, and should be in writing. Any invitation should give us not less than two dates, and as much notice as possible.

For the benefit of those who have asked when next we will be performing, the Tartan Square Club will be visiting E.R.A.C. Lodge No. 910, East Rochester, on Monday, May 11, when we will be exemplifying a First Degree, in addition to which we will demonstrate esoteric work pertaining to the Second and Third Degrees. As a result, only Master Masons may be present.

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Degree Fest

Webster No. 538

Bro. Mark T. Alt
Bro. Bruce Bragg
Bro. Dennis K. Gellash
Bro. Lauris E. Long
Bro. Kenneth W. Rueter

Northfield No. 426

Bro. Scott Stone
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Flower City No. 910

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Bro. Mark E. Hansen
Bro. Steven M. Sullivan
Bro. Lloyd A. Wood, Jr.

Churchville No. 667

Bro. Alan Jerrings

There were over 130 participants and attendees. A real fest!

Some "Brother Bring a Friend" programs may help draw qualified, potential candidates to our area Lodges, and to service in the Craft. With proper planning, the candidates derived therefrom could be scheduled as were these so a Third Annual Degree Fest can be scheduled!

"A TIME TO GROW - AND NOW IS THE TIME!" Come to St. John's Day at the Masonic Home in Utica

Saturday, June 20, 1992

By R. W. Roderick P. Burris, 32nd Deputy Grand Marshal

To the biggest and best St. John's Day ever. This year, the St. John's Day program will be a family oriented day and will have something for everyone; the young and those not so young. It will be a day of band music, family entertainment, craft exhibits, game tents, clowns, tours and exotic foods to tantalize every taste bud. Here's a great opportunity to meet old friends and make new acquaintances; a great time to visit the guests in the Home, tour the Chancellor Livingston Masonic Library and Museum Annex, the Medical Research Facility and the new Day Care Center. See first hand the tremendous work you support.

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Saint John's Weekend

June 19 & 20, 1992
Utica, New York
"Room Reservations"

A block of 20 rooms (5 Singles and 15 Doubles) has been reserved for the Monroe Districts at:

Travelodge Motel
1700 Genessee Street
Utica, New York

The deadline to confirm room reservations is May 15, 1992.
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Exhibit and food tents on the grounds of the Masonic Home and Laboratory during St. John's Day festivities.

Training Centered on Leadership

There are separate programs, one set for District Deputies and another for Staff Officers. This year's theme is "A Time to Grow" and our programs will be presented by Masons, for Masons, about Masons. Participants will be invited to address the subjects of growing, planning programs, finances and many other concerns facing our Lodges and our Members.



Dinner on Friday June 19th

The newly commissioned Grand Lodge officers and their wives only will participate in the dinner. The public is welcome to come in and enjoy the professional entertainers who will be performing after dinner.

Outdoor Parade and Investiture

On Saturday afternoon at about 1:30 PM (weather permitting), we'll have our Saturday parade and the Investiture of our Grand Lodge officers - yes - out-

side at the Charles W. Froessel Promenade. There will be a religious service in the Synagogue. Also, those who wish may attend Sunday morning worship service in the Daniel A. Tompkins Memorial Chapel.

Regional Fall Seminars

This year's seminars are directed at and for Lodge officers and potential Lodge officers, to sharpen administrative and leadership skills. They are open to any and all Masons, and every Brother is encouraged to attend and participate. Our coach and manager -- Uncle "Shelly" -- has chosen the best Captains and Quarterbacks (facilitators) in the Craft. Now, come join his "team" rather than be a spectator sitting in the stands. Check with the Master or Secretary of your Lodge for the Regional Meeting location and date. Mark your calendar now, and invite other Brothers from your Lodge to plan to carpool and participate with you!

Masonic Cornerstone Ceremony

Ogden Community Center Spencerport, N. Y. Saturday, May 16, 1992

The Deputy Grand Master has two Cornerstone Ceremonies on his calendar (see the last page of this issue for his itinerary) in May. One is a Lodge ceremony in Corning on Sunday, May 17th. The other is the Community Center of the Town of Ogden and it was publicized in the April issue of the Times. It is scheduled for Saturday, May 16th.

Those who have witnessed such ceremonies in the past know the corn, wine and oil ceremonial can be very impressive.

Be at the Center at 269 Ogden Center Road for the day's program. This is situated about seven miles west of the Rochester city line, southeast of the intersection of Rte. 31 and 259. There will be a full afternoon program.

The Ogden Town Supervisor, W. Donald Walzer (past Master of Etolian Lodge No. 479 in Spencerport) is very proud of his community for permitting such a facility to be erected for more efficient Town services to be able to be provided. He had attended

the cornerstone ceremony by M. W. Roswell T. Swits that was conducted at the Ronald McDonald House in Rochester. This so impressed him that he determined, with consent of the Town Board, that he would arrange for the same at the new Center.

Programmed activities

The Spencerport High School Concert Band, under the direction of Band Director Terry Taylor, will perform commencing at about 1:45 p.m. (some may remember that Mr. Taylor was featured with his Band at the Pantages Theatre in Hollywood last Fall, when he received the national award as Performing Arts Teacher of the Year.

The program will continue with patriotic formality, invocation, a few brief speeches, the centerpiece cornerstone ceremony and a benediction. An open house and tour program follows with personnel from various Town departments showing and de-



One of the St. John's Day entertainment groups on the lawn fronting Wiley Hall.



A booth and exhibit area on the grounds of the Masonic Home and Laboratory in Utica, set up for Masonic visitors and guests for St. John's Day ceremonies.



A group in the parade which is held each year, led by the Grand Master and his Grand Line.

scribing their facilities. Expected to attend are school students - faculty - board; various political personages from several governmental levels; law enforcement personnel; fire department representatives, librarians from throughout the region and civic, social and fraternal group members. Most of all will be the citizenry of the Town who approved the essential funding to make the dream into reality.

Take pride in your Craft and come to see one of its most effective, public demonstrations. □

The Master's Cogitations

By W. D. Scott Seltzer
Question: Why don't you attend Lodge?
Answers:

1. It's boring to listen to discussion about paying bills or arguments concerning building improvements.
 2. It's been so long since I attended I've forgotten the password and other procedures.
 3. Driving at night is a problem for me.
 4. I don't want to be an officer.
 5. I didn't understand/remember everything about the degrees.
 6. I won't know anyone else.
 7. My wife, girlfriend or friends say I should not be involved with a "secret organization."
 8. I work on Lodge nights.
 9. I meet with concordant bodies on Lodge nights.
- These are the different reasons we have heard for not attending Lodge meetings.

Now we will counter

1. Most lodges have a program set up for every meeting night. Yes, we discuss building improvements for a limited time only. Only out of budget bills are discussed in lodge. (If by-laws permit.)
2. We are all Brothers! Any Brother or officer would be glad to invest you with the necessary information.
3. Many of our Brothers or officers stand ready to assist if rides are needed to and from Lodge.
4. No member is required to become an officer. Just by sitting on the sidelines you'll be supporting the Lodge.
5. Most lodges have several well educated Brothers who will answer any question you may have.
6. Someone sponsored your membership into the Lodge. So at least you know one Brother. Chances are someone else knows this Brother..we're all Brothers, you'd be welcome.
7. We are not a secret organization. Only a few words and modes of recognition are secret. There are other organizations that do not even permit discussion of their meetings or purpose with family or friends.
8. We can't debate this one. But we do have social events on weekends and other non-meeting nights. You are welcome to attend any Lodge event.
9. Sensitive subject. You had to join a Blue Lodge before joining a concordant body. Maybe you could give up two or three nights a year to attend Lodge. Maybe if concordant body members attended Lodge more often, concordant membership would increase.

If you have a reason for not attending Lodge, come to our next meeting. We'll be glad to discuss it with you. □

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For the Second Monroe District

With mixed emotions I sit here with pen in hand trying to write my last article. We all work in different styles. I've tried to be myself. I hope and pray that I've helped our Craft. It has been a long but short 2 years as your District Deputy. I have learned much and met a lot of new friends, I should say Brothers. I hope that my efforts have helped many. We have all worked hard, the Masters and Officers that we have worked with and especially the Secretaries. We have seen a rebirth in Masonry in the Monroes in the past two years, but our labors are not yet over. We must continue our Masonic Education. We need to continue to strive to perform good rituals. Brothers, don't sit on the side line, get involved and assist your Master and officers in performing this main objective. Masters, ask for help, especially from our fine AGL's W. Terry Wihlen and W. Rich Friedman. Invite them to your rehearsals, attend the Schools of Ritual. We must impress our new Brothers of this important teaching, the three and only degrees of Masonry.

Loyalty to Blue Lodge

I am again asking all Brothers to attend their Blue Lodge. As some of you know I am involved in other Concordant Bodies and have also met some wonderful Brothers in those travels, but have noticed their absence in their Blue Lodges. Please remember where we started. Please offer assistance to your Lodge with at least your presence.

Thanks

To thank all the Brethren who assisted me during the last two years would be impossible. I would need half of the Masonic Times, but I will mention a few; R. W. Ron Mertens and his wife Barbara; R. W. Steve Whittaker and Ann; R. W. Paul Gleason; R. W. Bill Baldwin; W. Terry Wihlen; W. Rich Friedman; R. W. Charlie Spiegel and Elaine, whom I traveled with for the last 2 years and will travel with in our involvement with the Concordant Bodies. I don't know how to express my deep feelings about my very dear friend, Brother, and traveling companion, but Brother George, I could not have done these labors without you and your lovely wife Lula.

Help and understanding

We joked about what tools you need to do the labors of a Grand Lodge Officer; a copy and FAX machine, but the most important tool is an understanding wife. I joke about having three wives,

but in all sincerity, I could not have completed these labors without the help and understanding of my lovely wife Nancy and my two daughters Debbie and Tammy and the moral support of my son and Brother W. Michael. They deserve my title R. W. that I feel I have now just earned.

I wish the new Grand Lodge Officers well during their travels and will give them my fullest support. □

Grand Sword Bearer

*Of the Grand Lodge
Of the State of New York*



R. W. George Simon

The Time Has Come, The Walrus Said, To Think Of Many Things

As I look back on the past 2 years, I feel a sense of accomplishment and fulfillment. There are many things that I could write about, but I am sure that our Editor would not like to put out a special edition to print all of my thoughts.

Great experience

It has been a great and rewarding experience to have served 2 years mostly because we have had the opportunity and pleasure to serve with 3 Masters and to see some of the fruits of our labors. When we were appointed to our office the then Jr. Wardens are now Masters of their Lodges and some of the programs that were started in 1990 are now in full swing and are making great progress. The Brothers that I had the opportunity to work with and learn from have my most heartfelt thanks for making these past years the highlight of my Masonic career. It is hard to single

out any one in particular to thank, but I would be amiss if I did not mention a few. First, the one who made it all possible, I thank God for giving me good health to complete my task.

Thanks to:

My mentor, R. W. Earl Steffens, who badgered me into joining Masonry even when you were not supposed to do it back then:

Churchville Lodge for their vote of confidence and the Purple Club for their endorsement:

All the Masters and Lodges for all the courtesies extended on our visits to their Lodges, some may be glad not to see us for a while. We were beginning to look like fixtures:

R. W. Ron Mertens a special thank you for your help and guidance, and Barb, for your putting up with us and keeping us in line when our ladies could not be with us:

R. W. Steve Whittaker and Ann:

R. W. Wayne Engbrecht and Ginny.

Traveling companions

We traveled a lot of miles together and had lots of fun, for that I thank you. To R. W. Charlie Spiegel and Elaine who for 2 years have been our traveling companions of many-many miles. It has been an honor and pleasure that I will always cherish and remember.

To my boss and traveling companion and true friend whom I am proud to call my Brother, R. W. Paul Spillane and his gracious wife Nancy, I thank you from the bottom of my heart for your friendship and companionship which I hope will continue for time immemorial.

To Debbie and Tammy for their help and jokes to get us over some of the rough spots.

Most of all to my wife Lula, who stood by and supported me in the past 2 years, who put up with my being away from home for almost 1 year out of the 2. Thanks Lu.

And to many, many more, I thank you all.

I am not going to dwell on the past, because it would take too much paper, but I will look to the future and wish the new Grand Lodge Officers and their ladies the very best in their term of office and pledge you my full support. May God be with you all. □

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Charlotte-Corinthian Lodge No. 1088



W. Michael W. Staub, Master
342-1947
C. William Flemming, Secretary
723-0083

1st & 3rd Tuesdays

7:30 P.M.

4550 Lake Avenue
Rochester, New York 14612

By Bro. Cliff Short

The snow has disappeared, and the warmer weather is upon us. I hope everyone has endured the cold temperatures with health intact.

W. Mike Staub is in New York City attending Grand Lodge.

New Brothers

Three Brothers were passed to the degree of Fellowcraft in March. JW Neil Laundry did a truly masterful work in the East. Special thanks are in order for all those who participated, especially Bro. Eino Laakso, who filled in as Chaplain at the last minute.

Brunch

The inter-lodge "Brunch on the Bay" was a great success, with very close to 80 brethren and family members in attendance. My personal thanks to all who helped out in making the day at Braddocks Bay Park a success. A special thanks to Bro. Jim Thomsen for organizing and coordinating the brunch.

Degree Fest

By this time, the Degree Fest on April 11th is history, and it was a degree to behold. W. Rich Friedman and W. Terry Wihlen did a great job of organizing and presenting the ceremonies. It was an occasion I will remember for the rest of my life, and I'm sure the newly raised Brothers will also.

Welcome back!

I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome all of our Brothers and their families who are returning to the North, from the warmer "Winter home" in Southern climates. It will be good to see you in Lodge again.

Upcoming events

The trestle board includes the Morgan Talk on May 19th, and Sports Shirt Night on June 2nd. Don't forget to sign up for the annual picnic at Braddocks Bay Park on Sunday, June 21st. The pig roast was such a huge success last year that we decided to continue with that theme again this year. Reservations can be made by calling JW Neil Laundry at 964-2135 or Bro. Jim Thomsen at 865-7181.

September

Don't forget to mark your calendars for the Fall first degree on September 15th, and for the last School of Ritual on September 16th. Charlotte-Corinthian will be hosting the School of Ritual.

I'd like to thank W. Mike Staub for my first opportunity to write an article for the Masonic Times.

I hope to see you all in Lodge. □

O-At-Ka Lodge No. 759



W. Laurence Blazey,
Master
889-3854

W. James D. Schoerens
Secretary
H377-1742
O377-8235

2nd & 4th Wednesdays

O-At-Ka Temple

5 Browns Ave.

Scottsville, N.Y. 14546

By W. Laurence Blazey

Apologies for the missing letter last time, but, if any of you remember the computer virus Michelangelo on 3-6-92, I was one of the unfortunate people to experience the wrath of having this virus destroy my hard drive on my computer along with many of my letters and records. I know many of my friends were laughing, I was not one of them.

Brotherhood Fund

Please help our Brother Carmen Valleri by sending in your contribution to the Brotherhood Fund. Whatever you can spare always is appreciated.

Events

Many thanks to W. Burt Brown for the presentation on the "Morgan Affair". I know we all enjoy hearing this story, and I know the new Brothers were fascinated to hear of the events that affected all of Masonry so many years ago.

Our Third Degree was on April 22.

Easter surprises

The "Magic Sunday" event at our Lodge was to me an outstanding success. To those Brothers who could not attend, this was my wife's idea to get the families of the Masons and the Eastern Star together. We had a dinner with a "Dish to pass", followed by an Easter egg hunt, a personal visit from the Easter Bunny, and a Magician at the close of the day. As the day progressed I really felt that we had, indeed, conveyed to our friends and family what brotherhood was all about. Many thanks to all who helped in the event, and a special thanks to our JW Terry Wright who managed to get the Easter Bunny to bring himself and the many eggs and Easter baskets.

Fund raiser

Our Annual BBQ will be on June 7th, from 12 noon till we are out of chicken. This event will be eat in or take out. Brethren, this is an important fund raiser for the Lodge. Please come and tell your friends too! Incidentally, I have never had barbecued chicken with a flavor like this! □

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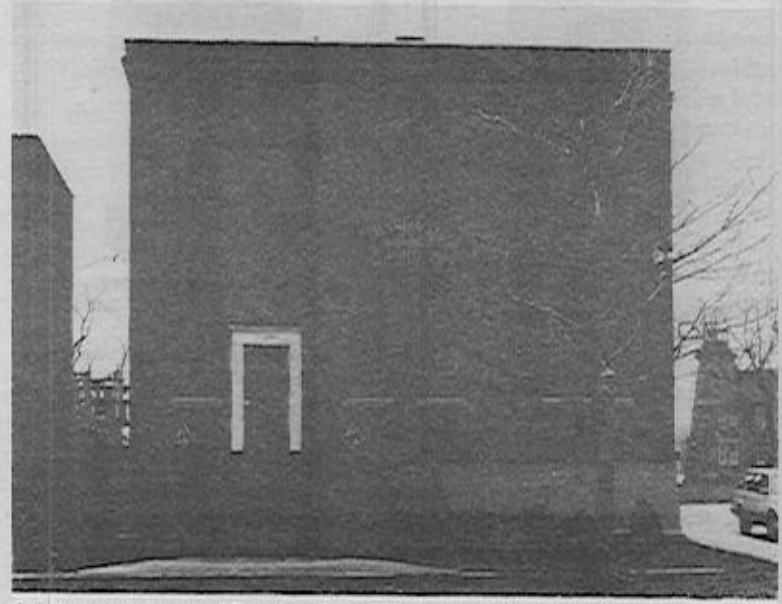
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By W.: Joseph J. Privitera
Charlotte No. 1088 and Corinthian Temple No. 805 were consolidated on May 13, 1986. The Lodge meets at the Charlotte Masonic Temple at 4550 Lake Avenue on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. This is at the north end of the Avenue near Charlotte Beach on Lake Ontario.

Corinthian Temple

Corinthian Temple Lodge No. 805 held its first meeting on June 20, 1892 at Ashton Hall, 279 Lake Avenue. Then, a new hall at 681 Lake Avenue was specially built for the Lodge and it was designated "Corinthian Temple". The charter was granted and the Temple dedicated on June 22, 1893. The first Master was the Honorable Charles S. Baker, Congressman representing the Rochester area. Corinthian Temple Lodge moved to the Rochester Masonic Temple at 875 Main Street East, when that building first opened. The last Master of Corinthian Temple Lodge was also a Baker - William Baker was Master in both 1985 and 1986.

Charlotte

Charlotte Lodge No. 1088 was instituted November 26, 1927, the result of a meeting of Masons at the Odd Fellows Hall on Stutson Street. Those present were from Fame Lodge No. 945 located in Irondequoit and were residents in the communities west of the Genesee River and in the northern part of the City of Rochester. They wanted a lodge closer to home. Charlotte Lodge received its charter on June 12, 1928.

Officers of Charlotte Chapter No. 507, Order of the Eastern Star, presented the new Lodge officers with a set of jewels. The first Master was R.: W.: Roy L. Butterfield, who was principal at Charlotte High School and had been the first principal of Franklin High School, both in the Rochester School District.

Various home locations

In 1935, Charlotte Lodge moved to the 3rd floor of the Denise Block on the corner of Lake Avenue and Stutson Street. In 1944, the Lodge purchased the present Temple, which had been owned by the Rochester Transit Corporation and used as a power station for electric trolleys (street cars). Remodeling was begun immediately and the new Lodge room was unveiled for the annual communication held in December, 1944.

Charlotte Masonic Temple was completed largely through the volunteer work of the members. On November 3, 1945, the Temple was dedicated by M.: W.: Charles W. Froessel, Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York. Several grand line officers accompanied him. In his address, he remarked that it was an unusual experience to dedicate a Masonic building that was entirely free from debt! (Even in those days, my Brothers!).

The merger

In January of 1986, consolidation committees were formed in Corinthian Temple Lodge and Charlotte Lodge, consisting of the Master, Secretary and 3 Trustees from each. The Masters at the time were W.: William Baker and W.: Joseph Privitera respectively, and the Secretaries were Brother William Flemming and R.: W.: Burt Steene. The resulting consolidation was approved by Grand Lodge in May of 1986 and the first Master was W.: Joseph Privitera.

Many renovations have been completed to make the facility more attractive and most were at the direction of R.: W.: Burt Steene (who passed away in July of 1991).

Other tenants

Charlotte Masonic Temple is the home of Charlotte Chapter No. 507 and Germania Chapter No. 72, Order of the Eastern Star as well as Rochester Chapter, Order of DeMolay.

Invitation

All four bodies that meet at the Charlotte Temple cordially invite your participation in their activities. Contact W.: Joseph J. Privitera at 392-5583 for information. □

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



17 Church Street
Pittsford, N.Y. 14534

By W.: D. Scott Seltzer

Finally! A break! No more snow! Now we can get serious. Serious about Masonry. Our first four months have been great. The next few will be outstanding. Let us make an advance...

Sickness and distress

Sadly, we notice an empty chair in the Temple dining room. A familiar face is missing. Brother Jay Stalker, D.S.A., was called home by the Great Architect. The D.S.A. was awarded last September. If any Mason deserved this award it was Jay. We will miss him in Lodge and at the ballpark.

W.: Dave Covell is recovering from knee surgery. Let's hope he will be running up the Lodge stairs soon.

On a happier note we welcome back R.: W.: Jack Thibaut.

Recently

March 28. The Grand Ball. It was properly named. Truly it was Grand. R.: W.: Raymond Beardsley was an excellent Master of Ceremonies. Thanks to all who attended from Northfield. Special thanks to Bro. Dan Walker and Mrs. Linda Zahn for taking all the pictures.

April 2nd. Our Secretary, R.: W.: Raymond Beardsley gave a nice talk about Masonic Presidents.

April 11th. Northfield took part in the second annual Third Degree Festival. Congratulations to all the officers for a fine job. Our Lodge stands proud because of their work and dedication.

A further advance

May 7th. This will be move up night. Bro. John Dudley will be in the East. It is also our annual spaghetti dinner. Please bring your wife/girlfriend with you. Most importantly, W.: Ted Diehl from Henrietta No. 526 will be making a presentation on Drug and Alcohol abuse.

May 9th. Ladies Night at Jonathan's Choice in East Rochester.

May 21st. The Master will report on the proceedings of Grand Lodge.

May 28th. A most important night. It is our second Bring-a-Friend Night. Our first one was very successful. If you know of a friend, co-worker or family member who would be a good Mason, tell them about this event. Better yet, bring them!!

Thought for the month

Life is easier than you think. All you have to do is...

Accept the impossible, Do without the indispensable, and bear the intolerable (and be able to smile at any thing.).

Anonymous □

Union Star Lodge No. 320



W.: William Finch, Master
624-2651 (Office 624-4080)
R.: W.: Paul Spillane, Secretary
624-3877 (Office 624-3840)

2nd Monday
7:30 P.M.

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

By W.: William Finch

Yep, again I start our story with a traveler who's gone to the "Undiscovered country from whose bourne, no traveler returns". W.: Arthur Ruby, a man and Brother, used the twenty-four inch gauge in his everyday division of time and the common gavel in fitting his mind. He certainly was a man who walked uprightly using the square of virtue in all his transactions by being on the level with those he dealt. This Brother, who was in our Fraternal order for 55 years, found and used all the working tools in Masonry, especially the trowel. He truly spread that cement of friendship and brotherly love. An example of a man and Mason I knew well before Masonry was a part of my life and admired his warmth and kindness toward me and others. Brother, we will miss you.

Thanks

Brother Craig Emmons was able to do an astounding presentation of the work for the 3rd degree (but I understand we owe most of the success to our JW Terry Hatch for digging Craig's book of instructions from the trash!). I thank Terry for his rescue effort.

Good help

I would have never been able to perform my Masters duties in the Degree Fest had it not been for the help of men like SD Craig Emmons who devoted many hours sitting by the wood burning stove helping me learn my instructions. Thanks Craig.

Good example

Our Lodge was an example for Masonry in a display of professionalism and knowledge of degree work April 11. It has become obvious to me that the future of our Lodge will be in good hands. Our future leaders are among the best Masonry has to offer.

One more!

Our new Brothers, Dan Cathron, Dan Garrett, Eugene Goethals and Lloyd Woods, will contribute their share as well, I'm sure. Yes, the count is off from the eight I predicted. Of the original eight, one couldn't read the calendar, one had a broken leg, one went to serve our Country, and one couldn't seem to straighten out a.m. from p.m. I'm sure these four and one more will make fine Brothers on our Lodge. The key word here is one more.

Degrees

Our Lodge put on a First Degree for a worthy applicant on April 20. The Second Degree is scheduled for May 11 for that applicant (and the broken leg) and Third Degree on June 8 for the applicant (broken leg, time keeper, calendar watcher and our faithful servant of the Armed Forces). I'm looking forward to your presence at these important events.

Our Lodge is growing, and growing with some wonderful and innovative minds. Come see and assist us in initiating, passing and raising of these fine Brothers, won't you?

As usual I offer this quote of the month: "Listen to your heart for your ears can deceive you." □

Towpath Lodge No. 163



W.: Andrew Paterson, Master
H 586-9016 (0787-1370)
R.: W.: Lawrence F. Golth, Secretary
328-5580

1st & 3rd Tuesdays
Northfield Temple
17 Church Street
Pittsford, N.Y. 14534

By W.: Andrew Paterson

The Degree Fest was very well attended at the Masonic Temple on April 11, 1992. Towpath is proud to have four new Brothers who are Carl Fulmore, Thomas LeBeau, Lawrence Lundgren and Richard Theatt.

Thanks

W.: Terry Wihlen and W.: Rich Friedman's planning paid excellent dividends. I extend my thanks and congratulations for a superlative program.

Italian delight

April 14th was Towpath's Bring a Friend Night. We had over a dozen guests, who learned some interesting facts about Free and Accepted Masons. They also had an Italian Delight prepared by Brother Michael Gibbaro.

My hat is off to the Masters and Wardens Association for a wonderful Grand Ball. Seventeen Brothers from our Lodge attended.

Move up night

May 5th is Towpath's Move Up Night. I am confident that our officers are prepared to hold Lodge while I am in New York City.

Write letters

The Brothers always look forward to hearing from our Brothers who can not make the meetings. Your letters are read and enjoyed by all. □

Tracey...
THE PAST 10 YEARS HAVE BEEN WONDERFUL!
Happy Anniversary Love, Scott

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By W.: Michael Bell
 I had hoped to offer all the Brothers warm and bright Spring greetings, but the weather is in a decidedly uncooperative mood. I must confess I find it easier and easier to understand the lure that the South holds for those who we Winterbouds sneeringly call "snowbirds".

Thanks

Thanks again to Joe Sapienza for covering for me while I was in Albany, and also to the telephone committee (Mike and Len) for all their efforts.

Craft business

Grand Lodge is in New York City on May 4th and 5th. Much important business will be handled at that time, including matters that will greatly shape the future of the Craft. I will be attending all business sessions.

Looking ahead

Keep in mind that Brother Dean Marsaw has ongoing plans for a steak roast in the Fall. Please begin to consider the question: rare, medium or well-done. I'd really like to see wide participation and a good turn-out for this affair.

Brotherhood Fund

Don't forget the Brotherhood Fund! Please keep your Master informed of sick, or otherwise distressed Brothers. □

Churchville
Lodge No. 667



W.: Garry Hutchurson, Master
 494-1395
 R.: W.: Earl C. Steffen, Secretary
 392-8224

2nd & 4th Wednesdays
7:30 P.M.
20 South Main St.
Churchville, N.Y. 14428

By W.: Garry Hutchurson
 What a month we have had. Our candidate had his 2nd degree at LeRoy, Olive Branch Lodge's Degree Fest. They are the only Lodge I know that has a real porch for the middle chamber and it was very exciting to see so many Brothers in one place for a Degree. The sidelines were full and they were from all over.

3rd Degree Fest


Then, we had all this again with the 3rd Degree Fest at the Temple on April 11th. It is very innovative and adds a lot of extra feeling when we have these Degree Fests. It brings back a lot of memories and the excitement we all felt when we went through our Degrees.

Current Events
 Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to Norm Vail who lost his wife this month. Ken Robinson, recipient of Churchville Lodge's "Master Mason Recognition for Service Award" is in the hospital having surgery for an aneurism of the aorta. Also, George Simon was in the hospital for pancreatitis and is now home recuperating. Wishes for a speedy recovery to both.
 For the record, our Chaplain is R.: W.: Charlie Daycock. On May 13, 1992, we have a Lasagna Dinner at 6:30 PM put on by our Jr. Warden, Jon Deacon and Sr. Deacon, Ed Roman. Our speaker will be Sion (Ted) Honea, Master of Valley-Simes Lodge who will speak on "Symbolism in Masonry". Also at 6:30 on May 27, our last meeting, there will be a dinner put on by the Master and Sr. Warden. It will be Steamers and Beans, so everyone come to our last two meetings for Spring and have some good food and great programs.

Thank You

Right now, I want to thank all those who helped me with the Grand Ball. A special thank you to R.: W.: Jay McCullough for a big favor he did for me the night before the Grand Ball which helped everything go smoothly. He, like a lot of Masons, will stretch his cable tow very thin to help a Brother and it was very much appreciated. Churchville Lodge was well represented.
 It's getting close to Grand Lodge time and I am getting ready for it. I hope in the next article, I can report what I have heard and seen down there. □

Craftsman
Lodge No. 969



W.: Glenwood G. Ide, Master
 663-1215
 Robert F. Ogden, Secretary
 385-1422

1st & 3rd Tuesdays
 Masonic Temple
 875 Main Street East
 Rochester, N.Y. 14605

By Robert F. Ogden, Secretary
 June 2nd will be a Past Master's meeting with W.: Clifton Field in the East, R.: W.: Joe Martin in the West and W.: Bill Shelby in the South, with other positions to be filled later.

Telephoning

W.: Mike Zona has appointed several Brothers to his telephoning committee who will be contacting all Brethren within a 50 mile radius encouraging them to attend Lodge. If you don't regularly come to Lodge, you may expect to be contacted in the near future.

Distinctive Masons

We salute three Brothers who have the distinction of being Masons in Craftsman Lodge for the longest time W.: Elmer LeFevre since 1919; a Charter Member, Bro. Roy Broomfield since 1912, and incidentally, he will be 98 years young in June; and Bro. Chester Strassner since 1922. Hail to our recently awarded recipients of 50 years of Masonry:

R.: W.: Joseph Martin, W.: Charles Walker and Bro. Jack Jrover.

Sickness

Special good wishes go to our sick Brothers - Rocco Ardino, Jay Painton, and Berny Skalny. Bro. Stan Nash enters the hospital for knee surgery April 20 - best of everything, Stan.

Grand Lodge

Move-up night will be May 5th as our W.: Glen Ide will be in New York City at the Grand Convention. W.: Tom Kendig will be in the East, Bro. Bill Hook in the West and Bro. Chuck Strickland in the South.

Birthdays

We salute the Brothers with birthdays in April: Herb Becks, Al Hettler, Glen Ide, Earl Martin, Al Shurkus, Berny Skalny, Chris Stock, Chuck Sutton, Bob Thompson, Mikolaj Tworek, Dave Ververs, Carmen Vitali and Mike Zona. □

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By W.: Paul Josephson
 Please excuse this article as my computer has become user unfriendly and won't talk to me. I didn't realize how much I rely on the information I have stored there. If I forget to include anything, please forgive me.

Thanks

I would like to thank everyone who helped to make the Sojourners and Bring-a-Friend Nights such a success. A good time was had by all.

Upcoming events

Don't forget the Family Night at Red Wings Stadium on August

8th. Get your reservations in as we have a limited number of seats.

We have a ham dinner on Saturday May 16th. These ham dinners are a major source of revenue for our Lodge, so bring your friends and neighbors out for a excellent meal at a good price. I will guarantee you won't be disappointed. □

Financial Planning Solutions

By R.: W.: Gerald J. Glaser

[This is a continuing series of discussions on possible solutions to the problems encountered by financial planners.

Should the reader have any questions or desire further information, please call the writer at (716)381-3340]

Man is the only animal who can be skinned more than once. This brings us to an interesting investment dilemma, which is, "Should I invest some of my money in individual stocks?" The answer, of course, is a qualified YES!

You can and should do so.

- Guidelines**
1. You have the dollars to do so, and can afford the possible adverse effects that can result from such investing.
 2. You know what you are doing, or have the confidence in the person whom you are dealing with.

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O-At-Ka Lodge No. 759
Scottsville, New York



(picture courtesy of Bro. Dan Walker of Northfield Lodge No. 426)

Grand Lodge of the State of New York granted a dispensation on January 15, 1875 to a group of Masons in the Towns of Wheatland and Chili to form a Lodge at Scottsville. These Brothers chose the name Oatka which is an Indian word meaning "opening in the trees". The name is on topographical features (such as Oatka creek and trail) as well as public and commercial buildings and businesses in the townships southwest of Rochester.

Early meeting places

Until the charter was granted on June 9, 1875 by Grand Master Ellwood G. Thorne, the Lodge met as did so many in the early days in the local Odd Fellows Hall. In Scottsville, the Hall was over an old marble shop which later became a Red and White grocery store. They then moved over the Neafie and Shadboldt store which was later occupied by Romeyn S. Dunn. (Past 2nd Monroe District Deputy Grand Master Lawrence W. Dunn, who is a past Master of O-At-Ka Lodge, has not established a family connection as of 1992!).

Early days

Membership held at about 25 during the first years, with the Brothers coming from Wheatland, Chili and particularly during the 1896-1899 period, a considerable number from Caledonia (in October of 1899, O-At-Ka Lodge recommended the chartering of Eunice Lodge 830 in Caledonia).

The Lodge room was heated by a wood stove. Coal stoves were installed but they must have given trouble, because the Lodge reverted to the wood stoves in November of 1884.

Like other Lodges of the period, more than one degree would be conferred during the same evening (but not on the same candidate, of course). While one was elected and received the first degree, another candidate had the third degree conferred on him later that evening. This was in the 1891-1892 period, and occurred on multiple occasions. Also, contrary to the normal pattern, Lodge dues were changed in 1892 from \$3 to \$2!

Turn of century activity

In 1901, the Lodge purchased the Mill House from the Scottsville Mining Company for \$400, expending about \$1500 to remodel. The lower floor was rented to the Fire Department until 1914 while the upper floor was used as a Lodge room. When the Fire Department left, the ground floor was used for entertainment and recreation.

1920's

In 1924, the Lodge voted to plan for a new building but action wasn't taken until 1929. That February Scottsville High School moved into a new building, so the Lodge purchased the old one on Brown's Avenue for \$2000, after which they made expenditures to remodel and furnish. Some of the furnishings came from the old Masonic Temple in Rochester since new items were purchased for the new location on East Main Street there.

Now

The Lodge continues meetings on the second floor of the former High School which is still owned by O-At-Ka Lodge. They continue to search for ways to raise revenue for remodeling the structure and the grounds. Another tenant at 5 Browns Avenue in Scottsville is Oatka Chapter No. 320, O.E.S. which meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays, while the Lodge meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. Both welcome visits of those eligible to attend their functions. □

Financial Planning Solutions

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- You know when to buy and when to sell.
- You deal only with companies that have good reputations.

There is an old saying that goes "On Wall Street a bull can make money and a bear can make money, but a pig always loses."

Good returns

One does not have to pick flaky or high sounding deals such as penny stocks to make a good dollar. There are too many better ways to do it easily and legally and with much better chances of success. This writer is averaging an annual profit of 30-35% per year on each transaction made out of a total of 278 transactions to date. For proof of this, the written records are in my office and available for inspection to those interested.

Good selections

You need deal only with listed stock exchanges such as the New York Stock Exchange, the American Stock Exchange, or NASDAQ Exchange, where there are many very good selections at less than \$5 per share.

Learn the details

In case you are not aware, good low priced stocks out perform the good higher priced stocks by about ten to one. It is much easier for a good one dollar stock to go to two dollars than it is for a fifty dollar stock to go to one hundred dollars, so should anyone be interested in learning the details of a super technique, please call me at the number listed above for the details. □

Fairport's Academic Decathlon

By R. W. Steve Whittaker

There are strong Seneca Lodge ties with this captioned event. Team Coach Beth Kennel is the spouse of Brother W. Craig Wright. Laura Whittaker is on the team and is this columnists daughter. Michael VanElzakker, the son of past Lodge Master W. Jack VanElzakker is also on the team.

Their intense studies have made them more aware of the world about them. Their Coach Beth says "I get satisfaction from seeing the kids develop as a team". Beth Kennel is a foreign language teacher at Fairport High.

State champs

There are nine members of the Fairport High group. They attended the United States Academic Decathlon in Boise, Idaho last month, representing New York State. This team beat out other State competition by scoring the highest point total in the State's decathlon history.

Team students are tested on their knowledge of math, economics, languages and literature, arts and music, social science and

other sciences, such as biology and organic chemistry. They spend a full day taking 30 minute tests in each subject when in Decathlon events.

It takes time

Laura Whittaker and Mike VanElzakker acknowledge they spend about 10 extra hours a week from mid-Fall to prepare for their tests in the Spring. Other members of the team from Fairport are: Janet Smith, Amy Housinkveld, Steve Grace, Ashwin Alankar, Taylan Sen, Christopher Hancock and Seamus Hartmann.

Want to help?

This, as other school activities, needs funds to support trips to competitions. Anyone interested in helping improve academic excellence in youth can make donations to the Fairport High School Academic Decathlon, 1358 Ayrault Road, Fairport, NY 14450. □

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By W. Herbert Spencer

Continuing education

All Lodge and District Education Chairmen should have on calendar the Thursday May 28th date when we will be holding our second "school" of the year. Not only should they be expecting to attend, but those representing Lodges that have new Brothers (like the 31 who were in the recent Degree Fest) should be sponsoring attendance of these Masons who will stay with you and be active if you give more Masonic light. This is officially our "Continuing Education Program" for new and journeyman Brethren of the Craft. We completed the Basic Education Program the end of last month, and the Advanced or Leadership Program will take place in the Fall.

Correspondence course

R. W. Ray Alvarez of the Grand Secretary's office reminds us that a strong aid in becoming better and more confident spokesmen for our Craft and leaders of Masons is the Grand Lodge Leadership Correspondence Course that had been originated several years ago by R. W. George Peter. While we will be looking at holding a group session again, an origination of the Rochester area leaders in Masonic education, there are those who either might want to get started on their own, or only have opportunity while at home, to complete the course. In either case, contact one of the above, the District Education Committee Chairmen or your Lodge Chairman of Education to get the application and surrounding information.

Video tapes for your library

The Grand Secretary's office also reminds us that there are 4 video cassettes available depicting the "Lodge System of Masonic Education" pamphlets' information. The District Deputies have "show and tell" copies you can borrow for Lodge programs and preview. You can get your own Lodge set (\$25 will do it) by contacting the Grand Secretary's office for particulars and shipment (1-800-3MASON4). □

MASONRY IN THE NINETIES



R. W. Gary A. Henningsen
Senior Grand Deacon

Masonry needs to make provisions to be successful in this decade

Provide leadership

The development of strong leadership to handle the many challenges Masonry faces, whether it is the mastership of a lodge, committee, district office or as a community representative, is imperative to our future. Our leaders have to stand above all others. We must provide the leadership that others will respect and follow.

For too long, we have anchored ourselves to great leaders of the past and gone for a free ride on their reputations and accomplishments. The time has come for us to develop new heroes: men who our members can identify with, men who the public can identify with, men who are active in various fields of endeavor, innovative men who are not afraid of change and are ready and willing to go against the tide when their conscience so dictates. Masonry must change its way of operating in order to be current and able to attract the males of the nineties.

Increase membership

The biggest challenge we face today is membership recruitment and retention. With some hard work, we can solve this problem. First, we have to stem the tide of "dimit and drop". We have to put heart back into Masonry. The development of programs for the indigent, ill and apathetic are needed. Showing our Brothers and their families we care is a good first step for the retention of members.

Secondly, we have to go forth and spread the goodness of Masonry among our families, friends and business associates. Keeping our high ideals and principles in the lodge room is not the way to go. We must get into the communities we live in and provide assistance in the various social programs our communities have. The average person has no idea what Masonry is or what it does. Above all, we must practice what we preach in our individual lives.

Third, we have to target membership of all ages, not target just one age group. We need upright, moral men who are community and family minded, who wish to belong to an organization that is not afraid of change, not afraid to lead - a Fraternity ready for the 21st century. Don't be afraid to ask a special friend, relative or business associate to become a member. Waiting for someone to ask is not realistic. Today's world is very competitive

with many other organizations ready and willing to gain the attention of our potential members. We have no choice but to ask special people to join our special organization. When asking, we also must tell the potential member what Masonry expects of them for the privilege of joining our brotherhood.

Once we have the members, we have to educate them on this great Fraternity, not just ritually but historically and socially as well. An educated member is one of the best advertisements Masonry can have.

Increase fellowship

Early Masonry was developed on the premise of taking care of one another and having a strong camaraderie among the Brethren. In today's fast paced society, people have tended to stray from the togetherness of the past. We have before us a great challenge. The hard times that face everyone at present provide an excellent opportunity for Masonry to show how it takes care of its own as well as the communities in which its members live.

Creation of new programs, coupled with the support of existing fellowship programs for our members, families and community is a real need. Time is precious for today's population, therefore we have to develop interesting and fun programs to attract them and for their enjoyment. Above all, we need family backing and involvement in our fellowship programs. We cannot go it alone and expect to be successful.

Masonry is on the threshold of growth. The Mason of today can make the next decade a landmark decade for the Craft. We have to be aggressive in all areas and programs. To sit back and wait for the proverbial "pendulum to swing" back is wasting precious time and effort.

Perhaps the pendulum needs a good swift kick to get it and our Craft back on the right track before the end of this decade! □

Masonic Grand Lodge Of the State of New York Drugs & Alcohol Abuse Prevention Committee

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CHEMICAL QUIZ

Use this quiz to find out how accurate your knowledge is about various kinds of drugs. For each item, circle the letter or letters that you believe answer the question correctly.

1. Which of the following drugs are addictive? (Circle all that apply.)

- Cocaine
- Heroin
- Nicotine
- Alcohol

2. The average age for young people who choose to use alcohol and other drugs, to begin experimenting with these substances, is:

- 8
- 11
- 13
- 16

3. Which is true of teenagers who drink alcohol? (Circle all that apply.)

- They are involved in more auto accidents than non-drinkers.
- They are destroying their brain cells.
- Their motor responses become impaired.
- They are more likely to become heavy drinkers as adults.

4. Which of the following are drugs? (Circle all that apply.)

- Chewing Tobacco
- Steroids
- Alcohol
- Wine Coolers
- Crack
- Cigarettes
- Cough Syrup

5. What percentage of young people who use alcohol and other drugs before the age of 16 will have problems with alcohol and other drugs later in life?

- 12%
- 18%
- 24%
- 33%

6. What percentage of people who experiment with drugs after age 21 may experience problems with alcohol and drugs afterwards?

- 5%
- 7%
- 10%
- 15%

7. What is the leading cause of death for people 15 to 24 years of age?

- Lung Cancer
- Alcohol Related Accidents
- Drug Overdose
- Sports Related Injuries

8. What is the major killer after heart disease and cancer in the United States?

- AIDS
- Obesity
- Alcohol
- Crack

9. Which of the following is true about smoking cigarettes? (Circle all that apply.)

- Smoking can shorten your life.
- Smoking increases your chances of getting cancer of the bladder.
- Smoking increases your chances of having a heart attack.
- Smokers get wrinkles sooner than non-smokers. □

See answers on page 12.

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The Last Word

District Deputy Grand Master For the Genesee-Wyoming District

Accomplishments

For two years I have given advice, told parables, urged performance, cajoled, pushed, begged and on occasion pounded tables. All of these actions were to stir up a feeling of concern in the District. Look at the results. No, rather I should say, look at what you have accomplished.

You have put the Genesee-Wyoming District in the limelight, you have increased membership, you have brought in more new members than have been raised in several years, you have sent seven children to Camp Turk and already have more children lined up for this Summer, you have improved the ritual work many fold, you have doubled attendance at the seminars and Grand Lecturer's Convention and you have become subscribers to the *Masonic Times*. (At the time of this writing, eight of our twelve Lodges are now represented.) I could go on and on about what you have done.

Keep up the good work

It sounds like I am proud of our District, and you are absolutely and positively right. Each of you can take credit for a job well done. "Thank You" hardly seems like enough to say. I wish I could shake each hand, pat each member on the back and give you my personal gratitude. You deserve it. I also know that you will continue to give your support to the incoming Grand Lodge team.

Goodby

Goodbyes are always difficult. The past two years have raced by and are now history. The mysteries of tomorrow are still here, as they always will be. New ideas will come and changes will continue to take place. Unfortunately, I will not be with you to share in them. Most Grand Officers step out of their position and accept a committee position or a District advisory job of some type. I won't be doing any of those things, because, as most of you know, I will be moving to Tennessee at the end of this month. Thus my goodbyes are really a whole lot more emotional. There are just so many things I would like to say.

Thanks

I could not have had a better partner than R..W.. Robert G. Seils; we had a relationship that any District could envy. We worked hard together and we played hard together, our wives became like sisters, our travels became adventures, our programs were shared and we had a great union. Thanks, Bob, for

being there. And thanks to Shirley for allowing the whole District to share him for the last two years. I will miss you both.

Thanks to the Masters and Officers, past and present, for your cooperation and labors.

Thanks to the membership for your actions and reactions.

Thanks to my committee leaders for their efforts and performance. The results were most rewarding.

And, most importantly, thanks to the District. The memories I have as your District Deputy will always be one of the highlights of my life. As I move away, I feel almost guilty, as though I am abandoning my flock. Fortunately, I know that you will be in competent hands and will continue in your positive support.

Come on down

If any of you are out for a long ride and just happen to be coming through Tennessee, you will be most welcome at my new home. My new address will be 306 Briar Hollow, Hohenwald, TN, 38462, which is located 33 miles west of Columbia, which in turn is 35 miles south of Nashville. And, as they say, "Ya'all be sure to stop by, now, ya hear!!"

God bless all of you and may He always bless you with His graces. □

Grand Director of Ceremonies

*Of the Grand Lodge
Of the State of New York*



R..W.. Robert G. Seils

Who would believe that it is May already? I am sure I don't know where the time is going. It seems as if we have all just started this year and now we have four full months behind us. This has been a very busy year for the Genesee-Wyoming District with

all of the activities and degrees going on. This district has really started to boom and it is exciting to be part of these happenings.

Grand Lodge

Most of the Masters will be in wonderful New York City for Grand Lodge. I guess it is wonderful if you like The City. I am not real fond of it, but it is an interesting place to see if you have never been there. If it were not for Grand Lodge being there, I would just as soon stay in this quiet part of the State.

Last letter

This will be the last letter you will receive from me, since it is the end of my term. It will be a great let down after two long years. I am looking forward to stepping down, but also not really sure, because it has always kept me quite busy. Now I will have to find something else to fill the hours that will be vacant, although I don't think this should be too big of a problem. The only thing that is for sure is that I will miss a lot of the people that I have made friends with. I am not saying I will just drop from sight, but I will put myself back on the road again driving tractor trailer. This will take a lot of my time, so if you don't see me around for a while, you should understand that I will always be thinking about you.

New friends

These last two years I have made a lot of new friends whom probably I would not have met if it weren't for attending all of the activities. I know that I did a lot of traveling through-out the State, and I found it enjoyable to see the different Lodges and the way they do things. It was also interesting to know that there are a lot of good ideas out there, which can be learned at visitations.

Remembering

Some of the travels that I will remember are presenting a 50 or 60 year pin at Java Village. I didn't know that I could be so nervous. It sure was an experience that I will never forget when one gets escorted into a Lodge as a Right Worshipful.

In June we went to Utica for 2 weekends of classes at the Masonic Home, and they were most informative. I think this is when I started to get over the nervousness. They taught us how to present ourselves in public and how to speak. These classes were very important to me as I was probably one of the worst in presenting myself in front of a group.

Grand Lodge

In May we went to Grand Lodge. It turned out to be an experience as we traveled to New York City with the Niagara-Orleans District. It was a great trip and we are doing the same this year, and I know we will have just as much fun! It was great to make new friends in the different districts in the State.

Masters and Wardens

My most memorable time was starting the Masters and Wardens group in the Genesee-Wyoming District, which I think helped the District start to grow. It was dormant for a few years, but this group has done some wonderful things and I feel that it will continue to grow. I know that we now have the support that is needed to make a District flourish. It has become one big and happy family as we now know each other a little better. It also lets the wives get to know one another and learn a little more of what we really do. Again, I would like to thank Shawn Wright for doing a fine job

as President of this organization. I feel that he has a lot of great ideas and hope that this will continue as the Masters and Wardens group grows.

Keep learning

I spoke a lot on continuing your education in Masonry. I hope that you will consider this and carry through with it as you will learn more about Masonry and it will also help you in your everyday life. I know that I have started this and it has helped me in my life in general.

I guess this is a brief overlook of my two years and hope that you will continue to make our District grow.

Until we meet again, thank you for letting me be your Staff Officer for the last two years and if I can be of any help in the future, don't hesitate to contact me. I will do whatever I can to be of help. □

Purple Apron Club

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By R..W.. Holden P. Miller

Apron presentations

R..W.. Steven Wing has set the date for the District "Dual Apron Presentation Dinner". We'll be getting together on August 28th for that event, so mark that Friday date on your calendar. This is when all Lodge Masters, Wardens and Brothers of the Craft can personally meet and greet our incoming Grand Lodge officers.

R..W.. Sheldon K. Blank has agreed to place this event on his itinerary so he can present the aprons.

Go-to-Church

Another event to mark on our calendars is the annual Genesee-Wyoming "Go-to-Church" Service and Breakfast. This year's will be at Warsaw on August 4th. R..W.. Blank has assured us he will be present with us again.

Grand Lodge decisions

Everyone should be aware that at Grand Lodge this year, our Masters will be voting on the change of Lodge "official" years so they coincide with that of Grand Lodge. This is the second and deciding vote. Instead of "official" years running from January through December, they will run from June through May (if the vote is favorable). Also, that means we could have 2 Lodge installation sessions for 1993. This will keep the Purple's busy (are you listening, Bros. Kohlhausen, Rupert and James?).

A good part about the summer installations is that we'll be able to have some of our colleagues who winter in the south helping on installations (namely Rich and Hurlburt). They probably are looking around for their monitors and dusting them off right now! □

Masters & Wardens Association

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By W.. Shawn Wright

The last meeting of the Masters and Wardens Association was held at Varysburg Lodge with 43 men and women representing nine lodges. A dinner of chicken and biscuits with all the trimmings was the fare for the evening. The homemade baking powder biscuits were cut out with a one pound coffee can and the dinner was served on a platter. Sherrie would like to thank everybody for attending and helping out with the dinner.

The treasury is in the black and most lodges have sent payment for their assessment. We saw the video "Unseen Journey", which we enjoyed.

Grand Lodge Trip

Twelve people are scheduled to be traveling to Grand Lodge with the group from Niagara-Orleans district. A few others will be traveling down on their own.

It is a shame that a few lodges will not be represented at Grand Lodge this year. It appears that this will be a very active Grand Lodge Communication with contested election of officers and proposals. A Lodge should be able to finance and send a representative to vote in their best interests. All Lodges sending proxy reps should see that the necessary paperwork is sent to Grand Lodge in a timely manner.

St. John's Day Weekend

R..W.. Robert Seils attended the Niagara-Orleans Masters and Wardens Association meeting. Niagara-Orleans has reserved 35 rooms at the Howard Johnson Lodge for St. John's Day weekend in Utica on June 20 and 21, 1992. They have graciously invited us to attend with them. This is a great weekend family experience. There will be tours of the Masonic Home and Research Laboratory. Lunch at the food concession booths on the grounds, shop at the Display and Craft exhibits, or visit the Masonic Library and Tompkins Memorial Chapel. Back at the hotel, there will be a large tent with picnic tables by the swimming pool. Charcoal grills will be available with dishes to pass, together with assorted refreshments.

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It would be nice to have a large group from our district to attend and cheer our new D.D.G.M. and Staff Officer as they march in the parade. Many people have mentioned interest in attending. I know I plan to be there. Contact me if you are interested in going.

R..W.. Robert Seils has been in contact with the Monroe Districts Masters and Wardens Association, and they have invited us to attend a joint meeting in Churchville in late September.

Masonic Information Night

A Masonic Information Night and spaghetti dinner was held at Attica Lodge in March, and was a huge success. Around 100 were served at dinner and attended the program. Seven wives of departed Brothers of Attica Lodge were presented with remembrance pins and cards. Many new Masons and their wives were in attendance as well as prospective candidates. It was reported that some Lodges had received petitions as a result of this program.

Planned Activities

A proposal has been made that a district wide Widows Night might be a good idea. It is done in other districts and goes over very well. Bro. Carl Parmerter is working on setting up a district wide Bison Baseball Family Outing. Anybody interested in attending this activity should contact Carl or myself.

A District Night at Batavia Downs is also being planned. The Council of Masonic Activities Candy Sale is going extremely well. District Lodges are comparing initiation fees.

The President wants Lodges that need extra help for any kind of function to know they should call on the Masters and Wardens Association for assistance. Also the Masters and Wardens Association is available to cater dinners that would give the members and ladies of a given Lodge or Star Chapter a chance to relax and enjoy themselves at a special event or function.

The Traveling Trophy has moved from Warsaw Lodge to Perry Lodge, Brothers!

The next meeting of the Masters and Wardens Association will be June 13, 1992 at LeRoy Lodge. □

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By W.. Ernest T. Curtis

In April, we welcomed our Grand Director of Ceremonies, R..W.. Robert Seils for his official visit. R..W.. "Bob" gave an excellent talk on what we must do to assure the future of our Fraternity. As we approach May 1st, and Grand Lodge, we all join together to thank R..W.. Seils for giving so freely of time and talents for the benefit of the Craft in Genesee-Wyoming District.

The Degree of Entered Apprentice was conferred on our newest Brother on April 15th. W.. Bob Nicoll and his degree team have been working hard, and have given a proper initiation to our Craft.

May activities

A caravan of sorts will rendezvous at the LeRoy Masonic Temple at about 3:00 p.m. on Friday, May 1st. A number of Brothers will journey north of the border to visit Canada Lodge No. 532, Toronto for a 2nd Degree conferral. I understand that we will be joined by a lodge from Detroit, MI which we hope may begin yet another inter-lodge relationship. Saturday morning, our hosts will be conferring the Royal Arch Degree, and, just before returning home, we will make a stop at Toronto's Sky Dome. (I wonder what teams will be playing?)

Oyster stew?

The evening of Wednesday, May 6th is set aside to welcome home all of our Brothers who "made their escape" to the warm breezes of the South for the Winter. We will be conducting business on the First Degree, so that our new Brother can participate. Rumor has it that those who come out will be treated to some of W.. John Roth's famous recipe for Oyster Stew.

Wednesday, May 20th will be our next conferral of the Fellowcraft Degree. Be sure and come out to support the passing of your new Brother to the 2nd Degree of Masonry.

May birthdays

I see no records of Masonic anniversaries for the month of May, but if you find yourself in the card section of your local store, you may want to pick up a birthday card and send it, with appropriate comments to your Secretary:

W.. Bob Forbes
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Don't worry Bob, I won't give out your age.

Mark your calendar

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2 Royal Arch Degree:
Toronto, Ontario
6 Return of the "Snow-birds" ... Dinner
20 2nd Degree □

Attica Lodge No. 462



F. & A.M.

W.. David Buckhoit, Master
662-3917
R..W.. Donald Van Son,
Secretary
591-1390

1st and 3rd Wednesday
(Jan-Feb-Mar 3rd Wed)

Masonic Temple
39 Main Street
Attica, N. Y. 14011

By W.. Shawn Wright

Attica Lodge suspended Lodge on March 18, 1992 and traveled to Olive Branch Lodge in LeRoy where our candidate received his second degree. The O.E.S. Chapter put on a delicious meal and the members of LeRoy put on a beautiful degree. W.. Ernie Curtis gave the middle chamber lecture using LeRoy's actual middle chamber. All were very impressive.

Sickness and distress

On April 1, 1992, the Master ordered the altar draped for a period of 30 days in memory of R..W.. Kenneth Middlebrook, who passed to the Grand East on February 27, 1992. It was reported that R..W.. Norman Godfrey and W.. Louis Godfrey's sister passed away April 1, 1992. Cards were sent to the families. It was reported that W.. Dan Kelsey was home from the hospital and doing well. Bro. Irvin E. Domes passed to the Grand East on April 10, 1992.

Communications

I know that you will be interested in knowing that thank you cards were received from Mildred R. Corliss, Ethel J. Nichols, and Marion Davidson in response for their Masonic widows pins and cards. They also stated they enjoyed the meal and program. Thank you cards were received from the families of Richard Middlebrook and Glenn Corliss for the donation made to the Brotherhood Fund in their memory.

From Florida

A note was read from Brother Jack McCarthy wishing all the members a good year and spoke of his good fellowship while he was active in the Lodge in Attica. Jack now resides in Florida.

A letter was received from Bro. Bill Gephart and his wife Helen, stating that they enjoy Florida and have attended four different Amaranth meetings and recently went to an open installation at Bellevue Masonic Lodge.

From Georgia

A note was received from W.. Ray Morgan stating that when he retires he will probably reside in the Atlanta, Ga. area. Ray was transferred down State several years ago. We were all wishing that he would choose the Attica area for retirement, since he was such a sparkplug while at Attica Lodge.

From Arizona

A note was received from Bro. James Motz who now resides in

Tucson, Az. Jim stated that they like Tucson and have affiliated with a local lodge and he is very active in the Shrine. He is a Shrine clown and has the name of "Patches".

From Batavia

The Batavia V.A. Hospital thanked the Lodge for hosting a bingo party on March 17, 1992 for the patients.

Camp Turk

Attica Lodge has decided to co-sponsor a child with West Star Lodge again.

Grand Lodge

A letter was received from Grand Lodge regarding proposals for changes in the Constitution.

Information night

A report was given on the District Information Night along with our First Annual Masonic Widows Night that was held on March 20th, at Attica Lodge. 93 people were served and over 100 people attended the program after the dinner. Seven widows of Attica Lodge were presented with pins and cards. Read more about it in the Masters and Wardens Association column.

It was reported that the Pancake Breakfast of March 1, 1992 realized a profit of \$150.00, 73 people were served.

Third Degree

A third degree will be conferred at Attica Lodge on May 6, 1992. This degree will be done in full costume. This third degree will be the first one held at Attica Lodge in about ten years. We plan on a good turn out. A dinner is planned between the first and second section.

Fund raising

It was announced that the Harder-O'Donnell American Legion Post is coordinating a fund raising program to renovate the wading pool at the Attica Veteran's Memorial Park. W.. Shawn Wright will chair a committee to sponsor a fund raiser to benefit this cause.

Volunteers needed

Rev. Charles Williman of St. Paul's United Church of Christ wrote asking for volunteer help to assist with a free lunch program for the needy, held every Friday at St. Paul's. Any Brother who could donate an occasional Friday lunch hour to assist, is encouraged to contact Rev. Williman at 591-2705.

The next meeting of the Genesee-Wyoming Masters and Wardens Association will be held June 13, 1992 at LeRoy Lodge. As usual, all Master Masons and their ladies are invited to attend. Annual Mother's Day chicken BBQ will be May 10, 1992. □

WARSAW LODGE No. 549



F. & A.M.

R..W.. Allan Carlson, Master
786-3482
W.. Allen L. Capwell, Secretary
786-8989

1st and 3rd Tuesdays

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

By R..W.. Allan Carlson
Brothers, alas! It is my sad duty to report that on April 7th, our Euchre team was beaten by

Hesperus Lodge No. 837. But, everybody had a good time. Two Brothers from Bliss Lodge joined us. Hope we can do this again sometime in the Fall. (The only reason I wrote about this is because the Secretary of Hesperus Lodge said I wouldn't put anything in the Times about it!)

Brother Clifton Drum, our Senior Warden, will represent us at Grand Lodge in May. I know he will do a fine job.

On May 19th, we will be conferring the 1st degree on two candidates. Let's have a good turnout for this. □

HESPERUS Lodge No. 837



W.. Donald J. Hargrave, Master
548-2589

W.. Stuart P. Lambeln,
Secretary 494-1360
12 South Lake Ave.
Bergen, N.Y. 14416

1st and 3rd Thursday

By W.. Donald J. Hargrave
May is our trip to Grand Lodge where we have many new things to vote on. We have chartered a bus for this occasion with the Niagara-Orleans District, and it promises to be a very enlightening trip.

Candidates

Our Lodge is doing very well with new members. In January we raised two Brothers and on May 7th we will be raising five more. This indicates that Masonry is on the rise.

Busy evening

May 21st we will bestow our Distinguished Service Award on a very deserving Brother, who has been a dedicated member for many years. This date is also Rusty Brother Night, so bring a member that has been a cardholder, but not active. This is also our annual "Stink Nite", with limburger cheese, baked beans, sardines, herring and any other good foods we might think of. I will also be giving my "Grand Lodge report".

Future events

Other dates to remember are May 9th, for our Chicken Bar-B-Q at Hesperus Lodge No. 837 in Bergen. Take-outs will start at 4:30 p.m. Dinners will be served from 5:00 p.m. until we run out. May 16th is the Cornerstone laying in Spencerport at 4:00 p.m. There will be a dinner to follow.

September

Our "Corn Roast and Auction" will be held on September 26th. This is a new endeavor and we would appreciate all the help we can get. We need donations of new and used items. If you have anything that might be too large for your car, I will be more than happy to pick it up. Contact me at 548-2589. □

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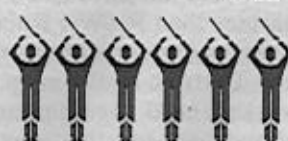
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Triluminar Lodge No. 543 Pike, New York



By W.: Keith A. Granger

Morning Star Lodge No. 295

The earliest records of Masonry in Pike, N. Y. pertain to Morning Star Lodge, warranted by Grand Lodge of the State of New York on August 1, 1817 in the Town of Nunda, Allegany County.

At that time, what later became the Village of Pike was known as "Nunda Hollow". The Master of the Lodge was W.: Thomas Dole and it is thought that meetings were held in his home. The returns of June 1818 and 1819, dated at Pike, contain the names of "all Masons who have been initiated, passed and raised" and most are names of known early settlers and residents of the area.

On June 5, 1834, the warrant was forfeited by resolution of Grand Lodge.

Lafayette Lodge No. 428

On December 22, 1824, ten Master Masons in the vicinity of Centerville, Allegany County, petitioned Grand Lodge for a dispensation to form a lodge. On January 29, 1825, M.: W.: Joseph Enos who was then Grand Master, issued the dispensation. Officers nominated were Alfred Forbes, Master; Daniel Veazy, SW and Allen T. Torrey, JW. Petition signatories were Russell Burlingame, Cornelius D. Board, and Samuel Bickford and Joseph Maxon, Secretary.

The Lodge was constituted November 11, 1825. In 1827, it had attained a membership of twenty-six. Under date of 1833, Ruppell Burlingame, Secretary, wrote to Grand Lodge enclosing \$4.00, asking that the remainder of the return be remanded on account of the Lodge being low on funds. He also stated that they were "located in the most infected District of the Morgan excitement". Grand Lodge of June, 1836, declared the charter forfeited. In the latter part of 1839, and the early part of 1840, attempts were made to revive the Lodge and locate it at Mixville (Wiscony in 1992), but these efforts failed.

Pike Lodge No. 229

On June 23, 1851, Grand Lodge granted a warrant for Pike Lodge No. 229 in Wyoming County, N. Y. It was signed by Hiram Watkins, Master; Charles W. Richards, SW, and Elisha Hemstead, JW. Sparrow Smith was the Secretary.

The Lodge remained in Pike until June 4, 1858 when Grand Lodge granted permission for relocation in Cold Creek, Town of Hume, Allegany County, N. Y. It remained there until Grand Lodge granted a petition for relocation in Fillmore, Allegany County, N. Y. on June 8, 1871. At that time, approval was granted to change the name to "Oriona". Between 1858 and 1867, the Lodge met in Mechanics' Hall, Cold Creek. It then moved to a hall on Main Street where the property of the Lodge, including its warrant, was destroyed by fire May 30, 1873. On June 5th of that year, Grand Lodge authorized the issue of a new warrant naming R. Duane Sweet as Master; Augustus Goodrich, SW, and Calvin E. Couch, JW.

Triluminar Lodge No. 543

Grand Lodge granted the petition of members of Pike Lodge No. 229, which had been approved by Arcade Lodge No. 419, and Oakland Lodge No. 379 as well as Pike Lodge to form this new Lodge in the Town, to be named "Wyoming Lodge No. ?". The end result was the naming of Triluminar, to be housed in Pike.

Wyoming Chapter No. 181, Royal Arch Masons

This Chapter had its beginnings in Pike. The first convocation was held there in 1864 in the Masonic Temple. Six of the 12 petitioners were members of Triluminar Lodge No. 543 and four others were from Pike No. 229. The Chapter chose to rent the Lodge room owned by Triluminar.

On March 2, 1865, the Chapter decided to purchase half of the real and personal property of Triluminar Lodge. On November 30, 1867, the members voted to move to Castile where the first convocation was held May 24, 1868. Properties were equitably distributed. On January 18, 1872, the Chapter held its first open installation in Seminary Hall, Pike, N. Y. In November, 1882, the members voted to move the Chapter to Warsaw, and it continues to meet there to the present time in 1992.

Harding Temple

On July 28, 1960, the Pike Grange No. 1172 sold a piece of property and building to the Harding Temple Association to serve as the meeting place of Triluminar Lodge No. 543. Extensive repairs were made, an addition was made to the front and the belltower was removed. The entire building was redecorated when it became Harding Temple. The Master at that time was W.: Leon J. Wilcox and the Lodge had a membership of 82 Brothers. The Triluminar Lodge continues to meet in Harding Temple in 1992. W.: Richard Anderson is the current Master and there is a membership of 37 Brothers.

Lodge meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month and the Master, officers and Brethren are delighted when Brothers from other territories take time to pay a visit. We look forward to meeting any from our readership.

**TRILUMINAR
Lodge
No. 543**

F. & A.M.

W.: Richard C. Anderson
Master 493-2203

W.: Lewis E. Wing, Secretary
322-7203

§
2nd and 4th Wednesdays
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**Masonic Temple
Main Street
Pike, N. Y. 14024**

By W.: Richard C. Anderson
A hearty welcome to three new Brothers who were raised on April 22, 1992.

Fund raisers

We would like to make Lodge members aware, as well as others, we have scheduled a chicken BBQ fund raiser for June 6, 1992. Hope to see you there.

We have completed our candy sales (benefit of Masonic activities). A thanks to everyone for their participation and purchases.

Grand Lodge

I am excited with the anticipation of our trip to Grand Lodge Communication meetings, which are scheduled for May 4th and 5th, 1992. As others have told me, it is a great experience.

Correction

The name of our Chaplain which was listed as R.: W.: Louie Cook; should be R.: W.: Lewis Cook. Sorry, Lewis.

History

The Lodge history has been put together for this issue. □

**Oakland Lodge
No. 379**

F. & A.M.

W.: David J. ("DJ") Beardsley,
Master
W: 493-2426 H: 493-2801
FAX 493-9942

W.: Richard L. Smith, Secretary
493-5408

§
1st and 3rd Tuesdays
(Jan/Feb/Mar 1st Tues only)
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**Masonic Temple
134 South Main St.
Castile, N.Y. 14427**

By W.: David J. Beardsley
It was with great pleasure for myself and everyone who attended Oakland Lodge on the evening of April 7, 1992, to see Bro. Fred Hance be presented the Dedicated Service Award. A very, very nice job was done by R.: W.: Robert W. Hebner, District Deputy Grand Master, assisted by R.: W.: Robert Seils, Grand Director of Ceremonies. As everyone who attends Lodge knows, Brother Fred is very deserving of this high honor. Congratulations Fred, I know you will wear your new apron with pride. I was also extremely happy to see so many Brothers from the surrounding Lodges in attendance.

Visit

W.: Richard Smith and myself attended Lodge in Pike to assist with Q & A for the second degree which was conferred upon three Brothers.

Sports
Our bowling teams will be competing in the New York State Masonic Bowling Tournament in Binghamton on May 2 & 3, 1992.

Ladies
We will be having Ladies Nite at Lodge on May 5, 1992. We will be taking our ladies out to dinner and then to Lodge with us. Anyone wishing to participate is cordially invited to do so. We think this will be a good way to show the ladies some appreciation. They can also get an idea what we do at our meetings. Reservations for dinner will be necessary. Anyone wishing to participate in the fun should contact committee members Robin Bowles or Fred Hance for reservations and information.

Past Master's Night
We are looking forward to having a Past Masters night or June 2, 1992. Please keep this date open. All of you W.:s and Bro's. come on out to Lodge and let's have some fun!
Hope to see you in Lodge soon. □

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

W.: Glenn Cramer, Master
535-7507

R.: W.: Kenneth E. Kohlhaugen,
Secretary 585-7511

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1st & 3rd Mondays
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**2473 Route 20A
Varysburg, N.Y. 14167**

By W.: Shawn Wright
On March 16, 1992, twenty were in attendance. It was reported that Bro. Fred Stalhood had been a patient in the hospital. W.: Maynard Baetzold is recovering from surgery in Florida. Bro. Ed Meyer is ill at home. Cards were sent.

Business
Three petitions have been received in recent months. We had a thank you from the family of Richard Herman. R.: W.: Robert Seils, Grand Director of Ceremonies and R.: W.: Robert Hebner, D.D.G.M. were escorted to the East and accorded Grand honors.

The Traveling Trophy is currently in the possession of Perry Lodge. 180 candy bars have been sold by West Star for the Council of Masonic Activities and more have been ordered. Scholarship applications have been distributed to Attica, Warsaw and Alexander High Schools. Children and grandchildren of West Star members are eligible to apply regardless of what high school they attend.

Community involvement
W.: Bill Geitner tells us of a community project that the Lodge will be active in. Land has been donated to the Town for a "Vincent Almeter Memorial Park". Many members of the Lodge are involved in the committee, including the Master.

Events
There will be a Drug Free School Zone Program Regional Meeting at Olean Lodge on May 9, 1992, 9:00 a.m.-12 noon.

West Star's annual roast pork dinner will be May 17th, from noon til 7. Bro. Neil Parmerter is the Committee Chairman. He needs helpers for the dinner and donations of pies. Please contact him if you can help.

Bro. Ellwyn Roberts reported that he has a youth to attend Camp Turk. Attica and

Varysburg will co-sponsor.
A crew from the Correctional Facility will be coming to paint the interior of the Lodge; donations for paint will be needed and greatly appreciated.

A first degree is scheduled for May 4th at West Star with 4 or 5 candidates. A third degree is scheduled for May 18th. Lodge will open at 6:00 p.m. with a dinner at 7:00 p.m.

Invitation
Please read the Masters and Wardens Association column for more information. Remember all Master Masons and their ladies are cordially invited to attend the next Masters and Wardens meeting on June 13th at LeRoy Lodge.

Brotherhood Fund
The Master reminds all members that the Brotherhood Fund year is coming to an end soon. Please give a donation, no matter how small, to help others less fortunate.

Communications
The Order of DeMolay has asked for ads to be placed in their 25th Anniversary Program. Niagara-Orleans District is planning to attend St. John's Day in Utica in full force on June 20 and 21, and we are cordially invited to attend with them. Many members have expressed interest in going to represent our District. There is more on this in the Masters and Wardens Association column.

Some history
W.: Gerald Werner of Monroe No. 173 in Brockport learned W.: Brother Werner learned his father Oscar Werner was a Mason when he had passed away. The Brothers of the Lodge in Varysburg conducted a memorial service after evening chores at that time, which is how he found this out.

On a recent visit to a Lodge communication in Varysburg with Brother Don Darrohn and R.: W.: Jay McCullough, both also from Monroe Lodge, Jerry was very surprised to learn his father was not only a member, but had served as Master of the Lodge in the 1920's. It was also noted, when the Secretary read those early minutes, that taxes for the year 1924 were \$18.75!

Current Lodge officers had researched their records prior to Jerry's visit and were pleased to make this a poignant and moving experience for their visiting Brother.

Looking ahead
The 3rd Annual Neighbor Days Yard Sale Extravaganza will be held July 18 and 19 this year. A chicken BBQ will be held on July 18th to benefit the Scholarship Fund. W.: Paul Baetzold is the Committee Chairman and could use some assistance. Be sure to mark this on your calendar. □

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Old Lodge records dusted off and a mystery unlocked. Left to right: W. Glenn Cramer, Master of West Star No. 413 in Varysburg with the Lodge Register; W. Jerry Werner, past Master and a Trustee of Monroe No. 173 in Brockport; and R. W. Ken Kohlhausen, past District Deputy and present Secretary of West Star, both holding the early minutes of the Lodge.

stone of the Membership Kit. With more than 250 pages of actions the Lodge can take, the guide is the tool the lodge needs to make membership management a reality. It contains 12 modules:

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Cost

The kit is available immediately for \$149.00 plus \$5.00 shipping and handling from the Masonic Service Association in Silver Spring, Maryland. Write or Fax:
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Silver Spring, MD 20910
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FINGER LAKES CHAPTER

Ronald D. Mertens MPS, President
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R. C. Friedman MPS, Secretary
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By Jay McCullough MPS

Our "balmy" weather in the last half of April augers well for the spirit of each of the members! The same is true of members of Ionic Chapter No. 210, Royal Arch Masons, who met with us in April (or was it We with Them?). Together, we enjoyed our first local "Table Lodge". The entire meeting was held while we were at "table" in ye olde English traditional format. This stems from when meeting places were largely local village pubs. It's still the standard method in some places,

we hear. There are those of our Brethren who know how to eat, drink, be merry and yet, get their business completed, all in this style of setting as in days of yore.

New office

Chapter bylaws are now complete and in place. They call for the positioning of a Treasurer, an office formerly joined with that of Secretary. With theseparation, a Treasurer was elected for the balance of this administrative term, in the name of W.: Terry Wihlen MPS. We're glad to welcome Terry to this role.

September's semi-annual

Chapter officers have had many inquiries about the meet-

ing of the International Philaethes Society in Rochester in September.

There is a flyer in this issue with reservation application information. We hope you'll want to be at this event, even if not a member of the Society. There is "an impressive array of Masonic talent gathered", according to both our President and our Secretary. Each gets very animated about the prospects of success for this event, when it is brought up as a topic of conversation.

There will be more detail in the next couple of issues of the Times, but get the semi-annual scheduled for September 11 and 12 on your calendar now!

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Here it is already spring and time to clean up the yard. At the Masonic Home, that's a real big yard, to get ready for the visits from the Lodges and Districts in May, and June. Bushes and trees need to be trimmed and the grass along the road ways needs to be replaced if damaged by the snow plow or salt.

If you are unable to visit the Masonic Home during St. John's weekend, the Trustees invite you to visit another time. Contact W.: Daniel L. Clark, Public Relations Coordinator to make the necessary arrangements at 2150 Bleeker Street, Utica, NY 13501-1788 or call either 315-798-4923 or 800-322-8826.

ST. JOHN'S WEEKEND

June 19

Visit Chancellor Robert R. Livingston Library/Museum
Tour the Masonic Home Campus
Visit residents from your Lodge/District
Participate in the carnival by enjoying the rides, games, food booths, arts and crafts

June 20

Visit Chancellor Robert R. Livingston Library/Museum
Tour the Masonic Home Campus
Visit residents from your Lodge/District
Participate in the carnival by enjoying the rides, games, food booths, arts and crafts
Review the parade at 3:00 PM
Watch the Investiture of the 1992-93 Grand Lodge Officers following the parade - outdoors, weather permitting

June 21

Church Service at Daniel D. Tompkins Memorial Chapel 10:00 AM
Tours following the Service.

Answers to quiz on page 8

1. a,b,c,d
2. b
3. a,b,c,d
4. a,b,c,d,e,f,g
5. c
6. c
7. b
8. c
9. a,b,c,d

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Membership Kits Are Here!

The Masonic Renewal Committee of North America has produced a comprehensive membership development and management kit for use by the Blue Lodges. It contains everything the leadership of the Lodge needs from informing a man about what it means to be a Mason to helping him get the most from his Fraternity. The kit contains: 2 video tapes *I've Heard the Name, What Does It Mean?* and *Understanding What It Means to Be a Mason*; 100 copies of each of three brochures suitable for imprinting with the name and address of your lodge and a comprehensive 250-page training manual on membership management. Kits are available for \$149.00 plus \$5.00 for shipping and handling from The Masonic Renewal Committee of North America, c/o Masonic Service Association, 8120 Fenton Street, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

Masonic Renewal Committee Offers Membership Kit For Blue Lodges

At the Annual Communication of Grand Masters held in Alexandria, Virginia this year, more than 250 Grand Masters, their deputies and interested Masons were introduced to the Membership Kit. The kit is for any Blue Lodge that wants to improve its membership development and management activities. It is a completely self-contained, multi-me-

dia approach to membership development and management. It is specifically designed for men who have heard about Masonry, and their families and friends.

The Committee wanted to provide the lodge with both the materials and the action plans they would need. The kit contains a 17 minute video called, "I've Heard the Name; What Does It Mean". A second video is, "Understanding What It Means To Be A Mason", and a third video, "Getting the Most From Your Fraternity" identifies experiences of Masons from all over North America. The target audience was those who were interested in joining and others who wanted more information -- including the spouses and families of existing and potential members.

Contains Printed Materials

The kit contains 100 of each of three publications. Distributed wherever Masons gather, the three folders may be imprinted with the Lodge's name, address and telephone number. Like the video tapes, these three printed pieces follow the chronology of becoming a Mason.

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

As I prepare this, my final article for the Masonic Times as District Deputy Grand Master, I am aware that everyone wants and needs to be "Recognized and Appreciated". Let me begin by thanking everyone who helped me in any way during my term as D.D.G.M. in 1991-92. No one can begin to do all the tasks required of the DDGM without the help and assistance of many of the Brethren. There are no "One Man Shows" in Masonry. We all need the help of many if we hope to accomplish anything.

In our everyday hub-bub life we neglect to use those two words in the English language, "Thank you".

Dedicated Service Awards

During my term I have observed that those Brethren who have been honored by the Fraternity with the Dedicated Service Award are the ones who keep on supporting the Craft in many many ways. It is a shame that we are limited to the small number of Dedicated Service Awards that can be awarded in any given year. There are many more Brethren out in the various Lodges who should be awarded the DSA. It is my hope that Grand Lodge will

revise the distribution procedure so that more Brethren can be "Recognized and Appreciated".

Time and effort

It has been a genuine personal pleasure for me to serve our Craft as D.D.G.M. and I really enjoyed working with the "Thomas Team Members." No one knows the amount of time and effort it takes to do the job, however, it is a satisfying task to see what has been accomplished by our "Team". Please remember, if you want to get a job done right, give it to a busy team of workers.

Blue Lodge

I want to also thank the Officers and members of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge No. 154 for all of their help and assistance during my term. It certainly is great to be a member of the "Greatest Lodge of All".

Thanks to the ladies

Thanks to my lovely wife Elaine for her love and support during my term of office and also the lovely wives of my Team Members. We couldn't have done it without you girls. Thank you, thank you and thank you. With true Masonic love, thanks!

**Grand Director
of Ceremonies**

*Of the Grand Lodge
Of the State of New York*



R..W.. A. Wayne Engbrecht

No Suits, Please

Spring is here and with it the 3°. The Degree Fest on April 11th was a huge success. My compliments to our AGL's who planned and organized the event. Our District is blessed with probably the finest two AGL's in the State.

Caution

For those Lodges who elected not to participate in the Degree

Fest for whatever reason, they sure missed a fine gathering of Brothers having a great time with the 3rd degree and the Hiramic Legend. We need to caution all Lodges, per Grand Lodge edict, no rough treatment of Brothers taking the degree. There is good reason for this caution. Please note in the reprint of the following article taken from the March issue of the American Masonic Review:

Man Paralyzed in Masonic Initiation to Receive \$8 Million St. Petersburg, Florida. The St. Petersburg Times ran a front page story on September 4, 1991, reporting an \$8 million settlement awarded to a Florida man who was paralyzed from the neck down during a Masonic Lodge initiation rite. He is guaranteed \$8,500 a month for the rest of his life.

According to the newspaper report, Vern Johnson, 34, "was blindfolded, pushed onto a canvas blanket and tossed into the air." He claims to have been bounced over and over again, sometimes as high as four feet in the air. At one point, Johnson landed in the blanket on the back of his neck injuring his spinal cord. He will never walk again.

Lawsuits

Johnson's attorney filed lawsuits against the paramedics, the ambulance company and several

doctors for poor care that he says permanently crippled his client. Attorneys for the defendants claim Johnson is partly responsible for the injuries because he refused to tell medical personnel what had happened stating that "he was sworn to secrecy by the Masons."

Settlements

After years of litigation, the last of several settlements was made in September with one of the doctors who treated Johnson. This settlement brings the total of all settlements to \$8 million.

Reported event

Johnson's attorney, Jon Krupnick of Fort Lauderdale, reported the events of the night of October 20, 1983:

He was blindfolded and pushed onto a canvas. Lodge members began bouncing Johnson. Then he landed on the blanket painfully on the back of the neck and shoulders."

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R..W.. Donald B. Scrivens, Secretary 436-8707

**Second Tuesday
6:00 P.M.**
Webster Masonic Temple
30 Orchard St., Webster, N.Y.
14580

By W.. Michael Goehle

Has Spring really arrived, or is your "Snow" Master going to jinx everything again. True, the crickets and frogs are conducting their Spring symphony at night by my pond, but with the way my luck has held up...well...who knows?

Crystal Heart Award

It seems like Masonry here in Monroe County and at Seneca Lodge has also awakened from a hibernation. We had a lovely evening at the Ronald McDonald House Red Tie Gala. The Crystal Heart Award is a proud moment for all Masons in Monroe County and is an honor to hold and show to all.

Congressman Horton

Our Grand Ball was a success, too. It was a pleasant chance to see and talk to many folks again. Our breakfast in the morning with R..W.. Frank Horton was enlightening as well. Despite the flood of bad press and media whipping the Congress has taken, it was reassuring to hear all is not lost. Congressman Horton helped to affirm the institution is alive and well, and trying to heal itself.

Degree Fest

The best adventure we have witnessed this Spring was the Degree Fest, where Gary Philpot, Mike Ferguson and Don Wilson were raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. All three

eagerly received the knowledge and lore of Masonry. Dick Shellman and Tom Foote are to be commended for their help in getting these new Brothers proficient in their memory work. Please take the time to show them why we are proud to be part of the Craft. Take the time to show them the meaning of what they learned in the ritual.

Information meeting

Brothers, we have a special opportunity to tell others about Masonry on May 17th. Seneca will host another Information Meeting at Monroe Golf Club (2:00 to 4:00). We need the names of those you know who would be interested in being builders in the Quarries of Masonry. We will invite them to an afternoon, where they will receive first hand, an explanation of what Masonry is all about. All you need to do is fill out your Memory Joggers and send them to your Master. We will take care of the rest. Surely, you must know someone whom you would be proud to conduct through the Degrees to Brotherhood.

Remember too, the Brotherhood Fund will soon come to a close. Have you taken the time to send in your contribution? It is still not too late. Also, put Awards Night on your calendar for June 9th. □

**MONROE
Lodge No. 173**

W.. James H. McNeese, Master
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W.. James P. Branigan, Secretary
964-3676

**2nd & 4th Tuesday
7:30 P.M.**
67 Main Street
Brockport, N.Y. 14420

By W.. James H. McNeese

Bro. Don Darrohn and his wife Mickey are putting on an informal meal before the first meeting of each month. The feed-bag usually consists of soup or stew, sandwiches, and beverages and the feed starts about 6:30 p.m. Our first try was a real success, but we need to spread the word and get everybody out for the good food and fellowship. Come on up and enjoy. Everyone is invited. Thank you Don and Mickey.

Petitions

We will be starting a series of degrees in the near future, so, if you have any additional prospects for candidates, make sure to get their petitions in early so that they may be included.

Fraternal relations

The Sisters and Brothers of Mary Jane Holmes Chapter No. 440, Order of the Eastern Star, held a Master Masons Night on March 23rd. There was a roast beef dinner at 6:30 p.m. followed by a regular meeting with a special degree and presentations. Nine Masons were in attendance and all thoroughly enjoyed the evening. Our thanks to our Eastern Star Sisters and Brothers for their continued thoughtfulness.

Community involvement

Lodge representatives R..W.. F. Jay McCullough and Bro. Neil Laundry attended a breakfast at E.J. Wilson High School in Spencerport as part of a kick-off

activity for the initiation of local businesses, fraternal organizations, and other community organizations in helping implement motivational activities and promotions to encourage continued development of high academic achievement in our students. Our Lodge reps will keep us informed of how we can help in this worthwhile promotion.

Dinner

A Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner will be held on May 9, 1992. There will be two servings at 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. respectively. For reservations call W.. Mel Doverspike (638-6830) or Bro. Neil Laundry (964-2135).

Bicycle rodeo

The Annual Bicycle Safety Rodeo is coming up on May 16th. We'll need the support of as many of the Brothers as possible. The Rodeo Committee, under the leadership of Bro. Howie Bale, has already completed the early preparations, but they can do only so much. Let's all pitch in and make this an event for the children to remember. Volunteers are needed for both set-up on Friday the 8th and manning the several stations and tables for the actual event on Saturday. If you can help, call Howie at 589-5765 and sign up.

Garage sale

Our Second Annual Garage Sale is also on its way. The sale will be held at the Firemens Ex-empts on West Avenue on July 17th and 18th. Now's the time to check your attic, house, and garage for items you can donate. If you need help moving any of the items, contact myself (1-716-394-7758) or Bro. Neil Laundry (1-716-964-2135). We may need pre-sale storage space, so if you have such space available, please let us know.

Brotherhood Fund

The Brotherhood Fund Drive is underway and in need of a strong transfusion. This is one of the primary means available to us to make sure that our contributions are put to good use. When contributing to the Brotherhood Fund, you can be sure that the money is going to a worthy cause whether it be medical research, or the relief of poor or distressed Brothers their wives and orphans. If you are interested in contributing, write or call Lodge Brotherhood Fund Chairman Mark Hazel (47 Heritage Estates, Albion, NY 14411.)

New Lodge year

We are currently discussing the "change of command" to accommodate the new "lodge year" when finally approved at Grand Lodge in May. We expect to elect and install officers in June, if permitted, to hold office through May 1993. Come join the discourse at the next couple of Lodge meetings.

Many thanks for all the help and support I've received. May God bless you all. I hope to see all of you out at future meetings. □

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2nd Tuesday
7:30 P.M.
Masonic Temple
875 Main Street East
Rochester, N.Y.
14605-2789

By W. Ted Honea

Not much to say this time. I can't write about the April meeting because it hasn't happened yet. I can at least thank Bro. Pat Mammano of the Maplewood for his congenial assistance in arranging for the meeting. At this time there are 22 reservations for dinner, with more to come later for the meeting.

Program

I can also thank the SW Grant Romer, for preparing to give the evening's program. It is a particularly busy time for him. You may know that Grant is a curator and the head conservator at the George Eastman House. He has been the prime mover behind the production of the museum's new exhibit on the technology of photography, due to open in late April. He has suggested that he might arrange a special tour for us. I'll keep you informed.

Important business ahead

At the April meeting I will make the first presentation of some proposed changes to the by-laws. These will be voted on at the May meeting. The major proposals refer to dues reductions for elderly and incapacitated members. You may want to plan to come.

Oldest member passes to Supreme Lodge

On March 22 our oldest member, W. Louis B. Freer died at the age of 104. He entered Valley Lodge in 1913! He was Master in 1921 and later served as president of the Masters Association during the sale of the Clinton Avenue Temple and the building of our present one. A Masonic Service was held for him at White Haven Chapel on April 3. He had retired to San Jose, California in 1977.

Trip to Oatka

Eleven of us paid a pleasant call on Oatka Lodge on March 25. We gathered first at the Oatka Inn to eat and then went over to the Temple for the conferral of the second degree. R. W. John Tijou called on me before opening to give the Middle Chamber lecture. I agreed. A ham is born every minute. The SW is urging us to plan a visit to another Lodge sometime soon.

New jackets

Brother Secretary has ordered the Lodge jackets with the Lodge seal embroidered on the back. He said they may be in time for the April meeting. The sample one he ordered in advance for himself looks very flashy, and he said people at the circus kept commenting on it.

Speaking of the circus, I got down only one day, but Glenn reports that everything went well at the stand.

Degrees?

Our two petitioners are awaiting the ballot now. If all goes well for them we will have the first degree on April 28, 7:30 p.m., Doric Hall. The second degree will be in mid-May sometime. The third will probably not be until the Fall, probably October.

This October date will give us time to do what I announced as a major interest of mine: to bring new personnel in to the cast of the second section. I feel it is very important to keep injecting new people into the ritual work. It not only relieves those who are the "workhorses" of the ritual, but also can prove inspiring for those who thereby become intimately involved with the work.

Awards Night

Speaking of the Fall, our Awards Night will be on September 15. Yes, that's right, the third Tuesday. If you check your calendar you'll see why. The regular Lodge night will be the day after Labor Day, when we always have a low turnout. We will not have a communication on Awards Night. It will be devoted entirely to the program.

We will be giving out the various member awards for years of service and special awards also. Vito "Buster" Cimino is planning to come up from Florida for his 65-year award. I hope also to have some charitable donations to present and maybe a DeWitt Clinton award.

Fellowcraft

May Fellowcraft will be at Paul Gleason's house, 185 Norman Road. Think ahead for June 16, which will be at Dick Snyder's house, 120 Kings Highway N. This will be a Ladies Night. Bring a dish to pass. Call Herb Spencer for details.

Dinner reservations

Dinner for the May meeting will be back at The Dickens, around 5:30 to 6:00, whenever you get there. Reservations are not mandatory, but we like to give the restaurant some idea ahead of time. Call Ed Schmitt (1-589-4367) or Dick Snyder (586-4624) and leave a message. □

WEBSTER Lodge No. 538



1st & 3rd Thursdays
§
7:30 p.m.

W. Ronald Hollander, Master
426-0741
Stoian Ellia, Secretary
671-3296

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

By W. Ron Hollander

The Degree Fest on April 11th was a success. Webster raised five Brothers at Ionic Hall in our morning class. Congratulations to these Brothers and to the degree team on a job well done.

Special evening

Later that night, we had our Annual Ladies Night at the Country Party House in East Rochester. The Jr. Warden, John Clapp and his wife Sabra did a

great job, with W. Bruce Chilton the MC for the evening. There was a special award given out to "Saint Peg".

Future dates

We will be having a Steak-roast/Euchre Tournament on Saturday, May 16th at the Webster Masonic Temple. The steak dinner is \$9.25 and will start at 6:00 p.m. Euchre is \$5.00 and will commence at 7:30 p.m. Call John Clapp at 671-4158 for reservations.

On May 21st we will be having "Stink Night/Table Lodge". □

STEAK ROAST/EUCHRE TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY - MAY 16, 1992

Webster Lodge No. 538 F&AM
Webster Masonic Temple
30 Orchard St. Webster, N.Y.

Dinner 6:00 / Euchre 7:30 p.m.
Steak \$9.25 - Euchre \$5.00
Reservations
John Clapp 671-4158

East Rochester's Ancient Craft Lodge No. 943



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R. W. Leon R. Perkins, Secretary
924-5657

2nd & 4th Mondays
7:30 P.M.
§
162 Commercial St. West
East Rochester, N.Y. 14445

By W. Richard C. Friedman

Brothers of ERAC Lodge No. 943, I salute YOU! As reported in last months Masonic Times, April proved to be an outstanding month for the Lodge and the Temple itself.

Please remember that we will only meet once in May as our second meeting is Memorial Day.

Tis them, tis them, tis them

Do not despair however, our meeting on May 11, 1992 will be centered around the Tartan Square Club. These bonnie lads will be visiting ERAC to exemplify the first degree Scottish Style. This is a meeting you will not want to miss.

Save the date

In order to give you plenty of notice, I would like you to make a special effort to attend our meeting of Monday, June 8, 1992.

This is our special Awards and Family Night. We will be honoring our Brethren with 40, 45 and 50 years of service. All families and non-Masons are encouraged to attend as we will also incorporate this night as an Open House to show off our new renovation.

Food

There will be a chicken BBQ put on by our JW and staff that night. Kids under 8 eat free!

Plan on attending and saluting our veteran Brothers in our like-new building.

Old business

Another big thank you in this column must be extended to

Brother Don Moore DSA; he did a Great job in organizing the DeWitt Clinton award given to the 134th Tank Maintenance Company. A healthy crowd showed their support and we all got goose bumps singing "Proud to be an American" with the good folks of Operation Welcome Home.

Degree Fest

You were not disappointed in your Lodge if you attended the Degree Fest. Our Brothers did an outstanding job in both sections.

I really feel proud of our officers line and the great job they have done this year so far. My gut tells me that we will be in good shape for many years to come. There will be some necessary shuffling of the line which will be announced in next month's paper.

Closing thoughts

As we are already planning dates in June and the Summer, even though at this writing there is snow on the ground, it occurs to me how quickly life passes. A year ago my son could not do anything but sleep, eat and you know what. Now he is running around the house and starting to speak. Many of us have experienced the best and worst that life has to offer in the course of one year. What does this have to do with Masonry?

Positive message

Masonry is a constant-a comforting place to be. With all the changes in life, Masonry provides a steady, positive message such as "accounting for the return of the seasons and the variety of scenes which each season displays to the discerning eye", which derives from the middle chamber.

Being a Brother

As a Mason, if you live out the true creed of being a Brother, you develop that discerning eye which allows you to keep pace with the every day hurly burly, but also to keep in perspective your duty to God, yourself, your family, your country and your neighbor.

What better reason in the mad rush which is life than to be an active part of our beloved Craft? □

Flower City Lodge No. 910



R. W. Gerald J. Glaser, Master
H442-5825 O381-3340
R. W. Phillip Averbach,
Secretary 458-1817

2nd Thursday
7:30 P.M.
Masonic Temple
875 Main St. East
Rochester, N.Y. 14605

By R. W. Gerald Glaser
On April 9th, we opened and closed the Lodge early, and went to an open meeting format.

Kiwanis

The schedule for the evening was the giving of a DeWitt Clinton award to the Eastridge Kiwanis Club of Irondequoit and its success went beyond our wildest imagination.

Good food

Our Italian chef, with some excellent assistance, prepared a meal fit for the occasion, as any attendee will testify to. Including twelve members of Hamilton Chapter, dinner was served to between sixty and sixty-five Brothers, ladies and friends. If this keeps up, we will have to find larger dining quarters. You Brothers who did not attend are really missing out on some excellent cuisine. Perhaps some Brothers of other Lodges who read this will wish to attend our dinners and find out how good they are.

Adjourning to the Lodge room, the necessary speeches were made, and acknowledgements returned. As soon as we are able to get the pictures back, we intend to publicize this event in the Masonic Times and other pertinent places.

Entertainment

Following the presentation, we were entertained by Gerald

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Flower City Lodge No. 910

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Argetzinger, an excellent magician, and at the conclusion of his performance, a cake, with Kiwanis and Masonic logos on it was served, along with coffee. All in all, it was an outstanding evening for duty, fun and frolic, and my thanks go to all who attended and participated.

Ladies Night

Our June meeting will be a Ladies Night and entertainment affair. The cost will be the same for dinner. Please call Phil at 458-1817 for your firm reservation and save us the trouble of having to call you. The menu will be a beef dish and also a chicken dish. We are looking forward to another banner evening with our ladies and prospective members.

New Brothers

At the Degree Fest we raised our two Brothers to the sublime degree of Master Mason and we expect great things from them in the workings of our Lodge. Come out and greet them.

Grand Lodge

R. W. Maurice Solomon will be my proxy at Grand Lodge in early May, and he will have a report for us at the Ladies Night.

In conclusion, our Lodge is turning around nicely. Come out and see for yourselves. It is your Lodge, so be as proud of it as we are.

No Mason can do everything. Every Mason can do something. What have you done for Masonry today? □

A FRIEND

What is a friend? I'll tell you. It is a person with whom you dare to be yourself. Your soul can go naked with him. He seems to ask you to put on nothing. Only to be what you really are. He does not want you to be better or worse. When you are with him, you feel as a prisoner feels who has been declared innocent. You do not have to be on guard. You can say what you think, so long as it is genuinely you. He understands those contradictions in your nature that cause others to misjudge you. With him you breathe free - You can avow your little vanities and envies and hates and vicious sparks, your meannesses and absurdities, and in opening them up to him they are lost, dissolved on the white ocean of his loyalty.

He understands - You do not have to be careful. You can abuse him, neglect him, tolerate him - Best of all, you can keep still with him - It makes no difference. He loves you. He is like fire that purges all you do. He is like water that cleanses all you say. He is like wine that warms you to the bone. He understands - You can weep with him, laugh with him, pray with him - Through and underneath it all he sees, knows and loves you. A friend, I repeat, is one with whom you dare to be yourself.

- Unknown □

Grand Lodge



R. W. THOMAS M. PAGLIA
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W. CHRIS STARR
DEPUTY REPRESENTATIVE



R. W. HARRY H. KENNEDY
REPRESENTATIVE

Veterans Service Committee

By W. Chris Starr

Thanks!

Thanks to the many of you who have called, written and stopped me to tell me how much you enjoy reading my column in the Masonic Times. I will try to continue to give you timely updates on the goings-on of Veterans Service, and of the Medical Center at Canandaigua.

Special Award!

The Canandaigua VA Medical Center has recently been notified that the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations has presented it with its highest award, "Accreditation with Commendation". Only 110 out of the 1,788 hospitals surveyed last year by this commission were bestowed this honor. The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations surveys 5,400 (or 81 percent) of the hospitals in the country, and all 172 VA Medical Centers are mandated by government agency in Washington, D.C., to be reviewed by the commission.

Pavilion!

The interior work on the pavilion is nearly complete. It will be ready for the picnic season, enabling hospitalized veterans to participate in recreational activities. Masonic volunteers contributed their labors to this cause.

Annual Awards!

The Volunteer Awards Banquet and ceremony will be at Bur-

gundy Basin Inn on May 6, 1992. Evening dress and Tux will be the order of the day. Social hour is at 6 (Hors d'Oeuvres and entertainment) with a buffet dinner at 7. The price: \$10 per person for volunteers and their guests. There is a limit of 350 tickets, and NO reserved tables. Contact one of the representatives for tickets. No tickets will be sold at the door.

Looking Ahead!

The management and staff of the VA Medical Center at Canandaigua, and the Grand Lodge Veterans Service Committee wish you continued good health. The schedule is in the Times Calendar and Looking Ahead columns.

Join Us!

Your Veterans Service Committee members hope to see you on monthly visits to the Medical Center at Canandaigua. Please find time to give to those veteran patients who have given of themselves for our country. They are now hospitalized and need a few hours of your caring.

Join our team of volunteers one Sunday a month for breakfast, fraternal fun and comradeship. Our next visit will be Sunday, May 10th. We meet for late breakfast at the Canandaigua Masonic Temple around noon. Only \$4.00 for all you can eat! Our visit to the Medical Center is at one. Come along! Call me at (716) 232-7165. □



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A Veteran Brother Mason



Left to right: W. Chris Starr, Bro. Floyd Hockenberry and Tianna Starr at Canandaigua VA Medical Center

By W. Chris Starr

Visit with a Brother

Tianna and I met Brother Floyd Hockenberry on his ward. He has been a member of Palmyra Lodge No. 248 for 12 years. He was happy to meet a Brother and eagerly shared his feelings about the Craft. He proudly showed his current dues card.

Floyd is alert and friendly. He plays five musical instruments, and even has an organ in his room. He would like to see other Brothers, who could bring him news and commentary about Masonry

gravers, painters, sculptors and other creative master workmen includes:

Benjamin H. Latrobe (1764-1820) is referred to as the "father of architecture in America." He designed many buildings, railroads, the south wing of the U. S. Capitol and the Roman Catholic cathedral in Baltimore, Maryland (Scott #1780). Latrobe was initiated in The Lodge of Antiquity, London in 1788, he later affiliated with Jerusalem Lodge No 54 in Richmond, Virginia.

Frederick Auguste Bartholdi (1834-1904) created the world famous Statue of Liberty which stands on Bedlows Island (now Liberty Island) in New York Harbor. Bartholdi was raised in Alsace-Lorraine Lodge, Paris, France on October 14, 1875.

Clifford Singer (-) Fine Artist, Raised in consolidated Lodge No 31, New York City. Lincoln Center/Tokyo Bunkamura - Mostly Mozart Festival, Etude in Resonance, 1990, acrylic on canvas, 5'3" X 5'6". List Art Posters, c/Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts.

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Harry Percy Knowles (1870-1923) was born in Toronto, Canada moved to New York City in 1890 and joined the firm of Napoleon Le Brun and Sons. Knowles was raised in Pyramid Lodge No. 490 October 2, 1896 and served as Master 1902-03. He was active in several concordant bodies and served the Grand Lodge of New York as Grand Sword Bearer in 1904-05. Knowles was selected as the architect for the Masonic Home in Utica, New York and for the new Masonic Hall at Sixth Avenue & 23rd-24th Streets in New York City. He designed many buildings including the Masonic Hall in Panama and the Mecca Temple building, (now the New York City Center), on 55th-56th Streets between 6th and 7th Avenues in New York City.

Andrzej Pitvynski (March 15, 1947 - Sculptor. Raised in Kosciuszko Lodge No 1085 New York City 1983. Created the bas relief and urn tribute to Ignace J. Paderewski installed at the Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown, Pennsylvania.

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Masonic Artists

By R. W. and Dr. Allan Boudreau

This is a continuation of the article last appearing in the January 1992 issue of this paper on "individuals who memorialize our great events and famous people with oils, canvas, stone and metal".

Our introduction of more gifted Masonic architects, en-

The New York Grand Lodge DeWitt Clinton Award

The DeWitt Clinton Award for Community Service is one of a kind - the only one to be presented by the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of New York since its formation in 1781.

It recognizes distinguished or outstanding community service by organizations or individuals whose actions exemplify a shared concern for the well-being of mankind - and a belief in the worldwide brotherhood of man.

Voluntary service

We have an historic concern and fraternal high esteem for voluntary service to individuals and particularly, to the common good and individual involvement through the application of one's time, treasure and talent toward significant endeavors in the public interest.

While Masons or their organizations do not qualify for this special award, we strive to demonstrate this same concern.

Public education

One of the earliest records of this is Masonic support in the development of public education. The beginning of public schools in the State is credited to the ACTIVE role of Masons. In 1809, the first school building was opened with impressive services at which DeWitt Clinton, then Grand Master of Masons in New York, delivered an eloquent address. The name DeWitt Clinton and the words "public service" are said to be synonymous. He was a resourceful and energetic leader - and an enthusiastic Mason. He was Grand Master for 14 successive terms from 1806 to 1820, when he declined re-election. He entered public service soon after graduation from Columbia College. He held legislative offices in the State, served as a U.S. Senator, was Mayor of New York City and later elected Governor of

New York. He was instrumental in establishing the foundation of the State's public education system and he carried through to the opening of the Erie Canal.

Devotion

His life was one of service to mankind. He was totally devoted to the advancement of the welfare of his fellowman. He will ever be remembered by the Fraternity as a true exemplar of Freemasonry.

Salutations

Today, we recognize and salute recipients in our communities in that same light. Each lodge member or allied Masonic body member should know of a few good persons in their respective communities who have sacrificed of themselves for the common good therefore qualifying for our recognition in this fashion. A little time by a few members in singling out the lady or gentleman, or community service group, sending a bio to Grand Lodge for approval of the nominee, publicizing a presentation ceremony (from a breakfast, to a lunch, to a tea or a dinner or whatever method or mode of recognition fits, with local media invited to cover it), pictures taken for the recipient, his or her family and Masonic publications, the certificate framed for dignified presentation.

We have 27 Lodges that are subscriber groups in this newspaper. Wouldn't it be a feat if it could be said that every one of them had just one award presented during the next twelve months?

Try it - you'll like it and feel doubly rewarded in return for recognition of some otherwise unsung community spirited person who's acts and generosity of spirit deserve banner headlines. We Masons want to spread the "good news" of someone's efforts. □

Retired City of Rochester Fire Chief Receives DeWitt Clinton Award



DeWitt Clinton Award presented at Masonic Grand Ball to Rochester Fire Chief Leonard J. Huether (ret'd). Left to right-standing: Grand Master M.W.. Richard P. Thomas; R.W.. Ill.. and the Hon. Frank J. Horton, 33°; Chief Leonard Huether; R.W.. Ronald D. Mertens and R.W.. Jay McCullough. Seated at the head table are Master of Ceremonies R.W.. Raymond R. Beardsley and his wife Lila.

By W.. Garry Hutcherson

The primary "business" conducted at the 1992 Monroe Masonic Grand Ball was the "pleasure" of participating in the presentation of the DeWitt Clinton Award to retired Rochester Fire Chief Leonard J. Huether. The Masters and Wardens Association of the Monroe Districts is very pleased with their honoree! What a gentleman!

The Chief is known as a "man of service". He has a lifelong record of his commitment to service to his fellowman. Professionally, this includes "44 years and 45 days" in the City of Rochester Fire Department. Voluntarily, this has involved officership in a PTA, member of a neighborhood association, presiding officer of a fire department Holy Name Society Chapter, member of the Monroe County Volunteer Chief's Association and member of the International Fire Chiefs Association.

He became a member of the Board of the American Red Cross and Chairman of their Disaster Services Committee. He is a charter member of the City/County Emergency Planning Committee and on numerous other boards and committees. In his "spare time", he and his wife Helen deliver meals-on-wheels twice weekly.

To keep himself able to actively participate in community,

he is in the Cariola Fitness Program at St. Mary's Hospital.

Home from Florida

Helen and the Chief flew home from an extended vacation in Florida to be present for the ceremonies. They had actually cut this year's sojourn short because of being notified of the Association's intent.

Speakers

R.W.. Ronald Mertens described the man for whom the Award is named and how it came into existence. R.W..'s Frank Horton and Jay McCullough spoke of their professional and personal relationships with Chief Huether.

The Chief responded with his life-long concern with the affect of fire on children. He continues to promote child safety at every opportunity.

Grand Master M.W.. Richard P. Thomas, assisted by R.W.. Frank Horton, made the formal presentation of the Award. The Grand Master in his remarks observed the qualities of the Chief which marked him as an excellent prospect for Masonry, and immediately presented him with a petition that was provided by R.W.. Charles C. Spiegel, Jr., for Wakan-Hubbard Lodge.

The entertainment of the Grand Ball commenced after these ceremonies and a report on the event is in another column in this issue. □



Wakan-Hubbard Lodge Master W.. Wayne McCrossen (left) assisted by R.W.. Charles C. Spiegel, Jr., presents DeWitt-Clinton Award to Jean Brugger

Jean Honored with DeWitt-Clinton Award

At Wakan-Hubbard Lodge No. 154 Ladies Night, the wife of R.W.. Don Brugger was presented with the DeWitt-Clinton Award for her many years of volunteer service.

Jean started volunteering by teaching Sunday School at Messiah Lutheran Church. She also

sang in the Choir, and served for a time as chairman of the Altar Guild. On Saturday mornings, she could be found volunteering, along with Don, helping with the 4H Club.

At the Maplewood YMCA, she served on the Board of Directors. During the day, you could find her in the pool, helping disabled children to learn to swim.

Every Wednesday morning, Jean could be found at the Al Sigl Center helping to give water therapy to children with Cerebral Palsy. From there, she went to

Strong Memorial Hospital, volunteering one or two days per week (whatever free time she had to give). Next came the Veteran's Administration Building on State Street, where Jean could be found typing in the Pharmacy in the basement.

After starting full time at the Rochester Consistory, Jean had to limit her volunteering to evenings. Now she can be found in Hilton, New York at the Baptist Church Clothes Closet. This is anywhere from 1 to 4 nights, whenever the need exists.

Recently, she volunteered to help the Masonic Service Bureau recover sickroom equipment that had been loaned out for as long as 10 years ago or more. Through her efforts, more than 150 pieces of equipment have been returned. This represents a substantial savings to the Service Bureau. □

Eastridge Kiwanis Club Presented DeWitt Clinton Award By Flower City Lodge No. 910

By R.W.. Gerald J. Glaser

The Kiwanis Club of Eastridge-Rochester was formed on October 1, 1972 at midnight - making it the first club formed in the Kiwanis year 1972-1973.

The Club has worked predominantly in the Town of Irondequoit. It has undertaken many projects with the Bishop Kearney High School, particularly with the Marching Band, the Athletic Department and Mission actions.

The Club bought two Resuscitators for start-up of the Irondequoit CPR program. They also helped General Hospital fund their Cat-scan, helped fund the purchase of a Town ambulance, placed volunteers in the Town Ambulance Corps, and works on the Eddie Meath Penny Fund. Members work with the Special People house in half-way houses in the area. The Club gives scholarships to the three Irondequoit High Schools, sponsors an annual kids Halloween parade and Irondequoit Kids Hockey. They refurbished a cabin in Camp Eastman as well. Other projects include Career Night at the High Schools, working with the seniors at St. Ann's and the Shires at Culverton, starting the Community Band and working for the community in so many other ways.

Considering all the Club does for the good of their fellowman in the community at large, the Flower City Lodge could think of no better recipient for the Grand Lodge award, bestowed for community service. □

Army National Guard 134th Maintenance Company receives DeWitt Clinton Award at East Rochester's Ancient Craft No. 943



Left to right: W.. Richard C. Friedman, Master of East Rochester's Ancient Craft No. 943; Brother and Major Robert D. Peace, unit Commander; Peter D. Quinzi, Mayor of East Rochester and also a recipient of a DeWitt Clinton Award at an earlier time; Monroe County Legislator James Alesi and Brother Donald Moore, DSA and Chairman of the awards ceremony.

By Brother Donald Moore

Over 100 people were able to be present at the East Rochester community center in March for East Rochester's Ancient Craft Lodge No. 943 presentation of the DeWitt Clinton Award.

Lodge Brothers were proud of making the presentation to the 134th, the members thereof having served in the Desert Shield campaign in the near East.

During the even, Mayor Peter D. Quinzi presented a U. S. Flag on behalf of R.W.. Ill.. and Hon. Frank J. Horton, 33°, which had flown over the U. S. Capitol.

He also gave a brief oral presentation on the Village of East Rochester.

In addition, the Company was presented a proclamation from the County by Legislator of the 11th District, James Alesi.

Brother and Sheriff Andrew Meloni also offered his compliments on the units actions and those of its members. R.W.. A. Wayne Engbrecht, Grand Director of Ceremonies, represented the Grand Master who had approved the DeWitt Clinton Award, and praised the members of the Company as our heroes. □

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Scottish Rite NEWS

Council of Princes of Jerusalem
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Charles C. Spiegel, Jr., Editor

From the Desk of:

Ill. James B. Scobell, 33°
Commander in Chief



Degrees
Banquets
and Elections -
then
Goodby

Our Spring Reunion presented degrees from the Lodge of Perfection, Council of Princes of Jerusalem, Rose Croix and Rochester Consistory. At this time, I would like to thank the members of the degree casts and directors for their excellent dramatization of the degrees. Also, a big Thank You to R.W. Lawrence F. Geith, 32° MS and his backstage crew, and to W. Frank T. Jansson, 32° MS, Wardrobe Master. Without their expertise, we would be lost.

Reunion Banquet

The Reunion Banquet, arranged by Bro. Donald A. Rose, was a great success. Our guest, Ill. Carlton A. Winchester, 33° Active and Deputy for the State of New York, and his charming wife, Virginia, added to the wonderful evening.

Election and Installation

On May 21st, the election and installation of Officers in the Lodge, Council, Chapter, and Consistory will take place. Please make plans now to attend! I would like to have an excellent turnout for this meeting.

This being my last communication as your Commander-in-Chief, I wish to thank all the Brethren for their outstanding support during the past two years. I especially want to thank the office personnel, Jean Brugger and Sue Hofmann, for their cooperation and their diligent hard work, as they made my position easier. To our Secretary, Ill. Robert P. Zabel, 33°, and Bro. Charles C. Spiegel, Jr., my heartfelt gratitude for their help and assistance.

Thank you all again and God Bless each and every one of you. ☩

Membership... Your Job and Mine!

Those of us who have had the privilege of being brought into membership in Scottish Rite, have the responsibility to see that qualified Master Masons are invited to petition Scottish Rite for membership.

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Let him know that he will increase his circle of friends and Brothers to include men who have a common background of reverence for the belief in the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man.

Let him know that he can participate just as much as he desires and in no way should it take the place of his Symbolic Lodge.

Let him know that Scottish Rite is open to all Masons of all religions, the same as Masonry is.

Let him know that the door of Scottish Rite is open to him. Invite him to join the same organization you proudly belong to. Then, come down to the Reunion when he goes through the degree work. See the wonder in his eyes from the beautiful presentations of the work he has just witnessed. He will thank you for it. You will even be prouder of your membership than you are now. ☩

SCOTTISH RITE MASONRY RE-MEMBERS BLUE LODGE

By Ill. Richard H. Welkley, 33°

Our roots are in blue lodge. This is where we get our Masonic vitality. If you don't plant seed in soil, you are not going to reap a harvest. But if you plant seed in soil, you are going to reap a harvest. This is a law of nature which every gardener knows. So a good gardener (we will call him a man with a green thumb) will enrich the soil of his garden in order to enrich his harvest.

Using the 'garden' metaphor, we Scottish Rite Masons, need to enrich the vitality of our blue lodges. And Scottish Rite Masonry is only as vital as our blue lodges. New York State Scottish Rite Masonry encourages you to re-member your blue lodges. The objective is to "re-member" all our lodges. We need the help of every Scottish Rite Mason in the state to enrich their own lodges by sponsoring candidates. You, then, will be enriching your lodge where your Scottish Rite roots are. Let's name this a calling to MASONIC BLUE THUMBS!

The Membership Development Committee for the New York State Council of Deliberation is offering an incentive to help revitalize our roots - our blue lodges.

Every Scottish Rite Mason who sponsors a candidate in his or another lodge can receive recognition from Scottish Rite Masonry with the presentation of a beautiful lapel pin. There are 3 different lapel pins available for 1, 3, and 5 new members.

The process is this. When your candidates petitions are read in lodge, you, the sponsor, must, soon after, have your lodge Secretary fill out and sign a Council of Deliberation Re-member form with the lodge seal affixed

(if available). The form is to be presented to your Valley Secretary. An appropriate representative of your Valley will make a presentation to you, ASAP. Become a Masonic Blue Thumb and re-member your blue lodge by enriching your lodge with new members! The pin then is forwarded to your Valley by the Council of Deliberation Secretary. However, the Membership Development Committee members, and the Actives have pins and forms available. A form is found in this Newsletter for your convenience. Tear it out or copy it for your use.

BECOME A MASONIC BLUE THUMB! RE-MEMBER YOUR BLUE LODGE! ☩

Ill. Rodney Rittenhouse 33° Class of 1992

Following are the names of our class members and their sponsors:

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131 East Lake Road
Penn Yan, NY 14527

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NAME
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121 Sanford Street
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David H. Mawhiney
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Fairport, NY 14450

SPONSOR
Alfred K. Miller
NAME
Robert L. Slominski
1556 Trefoil Court
Walworth, NY 14568

SPONSOR
Alfred K. Miller
Let's welcome these Brethren into our ranks. ☩

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In order to become a member of the Scottish Rite (or for that matter, the York Rite, the Shrine, or any other Masonic organization), a man must be a member in good standing in a recognized Symbolic Lodge and in order to maintain his membership, it is absolutely necessary that the membership in the Blue Lodge be maintained. Any Scottish Rite Mason, even if he is a life or annuity member, is subject to immediate suspension if he loses his Symbolic membership. The Symbolic Lodge is the foundation of all Freemasonry and is a prerequisite for further advancement. ☩

Hospitaler's Report

By R.W. Thomas M. Paglia

Brother Richard G. Plunkett
8264 Big Horn Court
Powell, Ohio, 43065

Brother Plunkett had a stroke in January and also has a back problem.

Brother Jay Painton
40 Zygmet Street
Rochester, NY 14621
Brother Painton had heart surgery and is recovering.

Brother Robert VanDenBergh
57 Edgewater Lane
Rochester, NY 14617
Brother VanDenBergh had diverticulitis and major surgery.

Brother Wayne Cowell, 32 Degree MS
115 Hinchey Road
Rochester, NY 14624

Brother Cowell had diverticulitis and is recovering.

Brother Herbert Case
14 Talbot Drive
Penfield, NY 14526
Brother Case is ill at home. He is 91 years young.

Brother Patrick J.S. McNenny
86 Monroe Parkway
Rochester, NY 14618-3008
Brother McNenny has bronchitis. ☩

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No one purposely sabotages a group which he or she has joined. But a glance at this list might reveal ways to work against an organization without being aware of it.

1. Don't come to meetings. If you do come, be late.
2. If the weather doesn't suit you, don't think of coming.
3. If you attend, find fault with the work of others.
4. Never accept an office - it's easier to criticize.
5. Be angry if you're not appointed to a committee.
6. If you're asked your opinion, say nothing. Afterward, tell everyone how things should be done.
7. Do no more than necessary. If a few persons work tirelessly, complain that the group is run by a clique.
8. Don't bother to help get new members.
9. Don't tell leaders how the group can help you or achieve certain goals - but if it doesn't, quit coming.
10. When you attend a meeting, vote for one thing, and then forget about it after you go home.
11. Agree to everything at the meeting - disagree later.
12. Get all the benefits your organization provides - but don't make a personal contribution.
13. Talk about cooperation, but don't practice it. ☩

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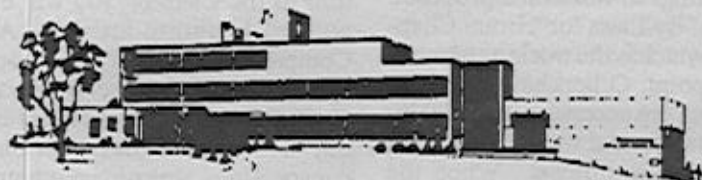
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New Policies: A donor who takes out a life insurance policy and makes the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory the owner and beneficiary can take a charitable tax deduction for each premium payment made during each calendar year.

EXAMPLE: Mr. White purchases a new \$100,000 policy and makes the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory the owner and beneficiary. The annual premium payment would then be paid to the Laboratory which allows the amount to be claimed as a charitable contribution by the donor. The Laboratory in turn pays the required premium to keep the policy in effect.

Paid-up Policies: The donation of a paid up life insurance

policy to the Laboratory entitles the donor to an income tax deduction for the cash value of the policy up to 50% of his/her adjusted gross income. If the value of the policy exceeds 50% of adjusted gross income, the donor can deduct a part of the value of the policy in the year of the gift and the remainder over the next five years.

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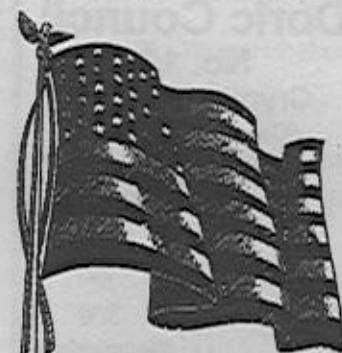
EXAMPLE: Mr. Berg donates his \$50,000 life insurance policy with a \$20,000 cash value to the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory. The Laboratory is now the owner and beneficiary of said policy. The annual policy premium of \$1,000 is paid by Mr. Berg to the Laboratory which allows him to claim a charitable tax deduction for that amount. The Laboratory in turn pays the premium to keep the policy in effect. In addition, Mr. Berg can deduct the current cash value of the policy, \$20,000, from his gross income for tax purposes.

For further information, write Ronald P. Kamp, Director of Development, for our gift recognition and planned giving brochures. □

Volunteers from the Masonic family of the Monroes to the VA Medical Center in Canandaigua



Meet them officially! They serve our hospitalized veterans on a regular basis in the name of Masonry. Left to right: Tianna Starr (daughter of W. Chris Starr); JoAnn Morse; Brother Frank Morse; June Moon; W. David Bishop; Doris Robertson and husband R. W. Paul Robertson; W. Harold Bollotin and his wife Sylvia; W. Chris Starr and R. W. Thomas Paglia. Other regulars not pictured are: Cora Paglia; Joe Wehner; John Dudley and R. W. Harry Kennedy.



VAMC Canandaigua, NY

By W. Harold Bollotin
On Sunday, April 12, 1992, the last visit for the current season was made to the Canandaigua Veterans Medical Center by the "Old Faithfuls", who are:

- R. W. Tom Paglia and his wife Cora,
- W. Harold Bollotin and his wife Sylvia,
- R. W. Paul Robertson and his wife Doris,
- Bro. Franklyn Morse and his wife JoAnne,
- W. Courtland Young,
- W. David Bishop,
- R. W. Harry Kennedy, and June Moon.

We were pleased to welcome back to our group W. Courtland Young who has recovered from his surgeries and is able to walk

Coveted Award Nominee

Utica, NY. Da-Wei Liu, M. S., Research Associate at the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory, is a finalist in the Young Investigator Award Competition of the North American Society of Pacing and Electrophysiology.

His study deals with differences in the electrical activity of individual cells from different parts of the heart.

The final selection process for the Young Investigator Award will take place in Chicago on May 15, 1992 at the Annual Meeting of the North American Society for Pacing and Electrophysiology. Liu and four other finalists will make a presentation at that time before an international panel of judges. □

without a cane, and also R. W. Harry Kennedy who is up and around again.

Brothers at the Medical Center

During our visits to Building 9, we were particularly pleased to be able to spend extra time with Brothers who are residents. They are W. Jesse Mattson of the former Penfield Union Lodge (Master in 1978 and 1987); W. Floyd Bishop, Past Master of Hillman Lodge in Youngstown, Ohio; Bro. Richard Northrup of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge; and Bro. Francis N. Holcomb of Seneca Lodge, Waterloo, N.Y. They enjoyed our visit and appreciated the time we spent with them.

Next Volunteer Visit

The next Masonic Volunteer visit is scheduled for Sunday, October 11, 1992. Mark your calendars now and attend with us. □

Grand High Priest

Royal Arch Masons
27th Capitular District



Rt. Exc. Robert L. Zahn
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It is an honor to serve the 27th Capitular District as your D.D.G.H.P. This office has many responsibilities and I will need the assistance of each of you to help me fulfill them. The message of M.E. John A. Sainz, Grand High Priest will be given at my Official Visits which are as follows:

- Webster Chptr No. 296 May 13th
 - Livonia Chptr No. 311 May 18th
 - Ionic Chptr No. 210 May 26th
 - Hamilton Chptr No. 62 May 28th
 - Dansville Chptr No. 92 June 9th
- My congratulations to the Companions who participated in the Degrees just conferred. You did an outstanding job. A big thank you to Hamilton Chapter for presenting me with my D.D.G.H.P. Apron. □



Left to right: M. Exc. John A. Sainz, Grand High Priest, Royal Arch Masons of the State of New York and Rt. Exc. Robert L. Zahn, District Deputy Grand High Priest, 27th Capitular District at the recent annual Grand Chapter Convocation in Albany.

Grand Commandery Knights Templar State of New York

L. Ronald Edwards,
Zone Officer 394-3205
Ronald J. Bertie,
Zone Advisor 225-6348

By Roy E. Huff, Reporter

Inspections

There have been several inspections in Zone 11 during the last few months. In April, the inspections were at Red Jacket, Batavia, Binghamton, Tancred in Buffalo and Jerusalem.

In May there will be inspections at Geneva Commandery on the 4th, and DeMolay Commandery on the 21st. The inspecting officer will be Grand Senior Warden Ronald J. Bertie.

Installation

There will be a public installation of the six Commanderies in Zone 11 on Friday, May 15th, at the Rochester Masonic Temple, 875 East Main Street. The host Commandery will be Monroe. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m. and installation at 8 p.m. Call Robert Cook (473-0393) or Norm Rollo (227-3150) for reservations. □

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By Roy E. Huff, Reporter

Annual meeting

The next meeting of the College will be on June 13th at the Masonic Temple in Penfield at 3 p.m. Tux for officers is required. This is our Annual Meeting with election and installation of officers. After the meeting we will go to the Green Lantern Inn in Fairport for dinner with our ladies. There will be entertainment

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after the dinner, so we will postpone the drawing for gifts until the September meeting. It is a very good show and I'll give you this hint: they come from Mt. Morris. (Dennison Olmstead should know who they are.)

Hope all of you had a wonderful Easter. Those who attended the Sunrise Service in Washington for the Commandery had a safe trip.

Thanks to all who attended the meeting in March. We had three candidates and the Degree was very well done. We had a good dinner at the Maplewood Inn afterwards with the ladies with 49 in attendance.

Reminders

Companion John Waldock is still in St. John's Home and would like cards or a visit.

Dues for 1992 are due and after the next meeting 1993 dues will be due. □

Cyrene Commandery
No. 39
Knights Templar

Chartered
in 1867



2nd & 4th
Fridays

Em. Ronald J. Bertie,
Commander 225-6348
Lawrence W. Dunn,
Recorder 594-8033

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

By Roy E. Huff, Reporter
Cyrene Commandery had a very successful inspection. It was an event with attendance of over 60 people. The inspecting officer rated our Commandery in the excellent category. Em. Cdr. Ronald J. Bertie says, "It has been a pleasure and honor to serve again as the Commander of Cyrene".

The Year in Review

We have had a very busy year in which we marched in three parades and performed four honor guards. We have the honor

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of having the Grand Prelate, Sir Knight and Rev. Charles Roberts as a member of our Commandery. We had an Ascension Day Service and a Christmas Service, at John Knox Presbyterian Church. We also had several Sir Knights and their Ladies attend the Easter Sunrise Service in Washington in April.

Public Installations

Cyrene Commandery will take part in the public installations of officers in Commanderies of Zone 11. Our installation will be held at the Rochester Masonic Temple on May 15, 1992 at 8:00 PM. There will be a dinner at 6:30 PM. Call Norm Rollo at 227-3150 or Bob Cook at 473-0393 for reservations. □

Monroe Commandery
No. 12
Knights Templar

Chartered
in 1827



1st & 3rd
Fridays

Norman B. Rollo, Commander
227-3150
Robert H. Cook, Recorder
473-0393

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

By Cdr. Norman B. Rollo
Congratulations to Cyrene Commandery for a successful Open Inspection. My thanks to everyone who made the inspection. The meal prepared by Audrey Zufall and her workers was enjoyed by all. Thanks also to Harry Coates, George and Sharon for a wonderful job with the refreshments.

More to Do

There still is moving to be done from the third floor to the fourth. With everyone chipping in, we can make short work of it. Any Volunteers? We need your help at Commandery functions, practices, and work parties.

Consolidation?

We have been approached by Cyrene Commandery to come to some sort of consolidation between Monroe and Cyrene. Such a pact would strengthen both Commanderies and enable them to perform up to expectations. Together we will be better able to undertake many programs that would create a new interest in both Commanderies. The future depends on membership more than tradition. United we stand, divided we just disappear. Such a move would be in our favor. Let us bury the hatchet, if there is one, and get down to business. We need each other.

May Marchers

May not only brings the flowers, but also Memorial Day. We will be looking for marchers at


Canandaigua. Let's see if we can get a good turnout. The Legion Post goes to a lot of trouble to make things happen. On this festive occasion, our appearance with a good number of Knights would make their day. They also operate with a "thin red line". Let's show the Old Timers they are not forgotten.

I was unable to attend our last communication since I went to Grand Chapter, which was well attended. I saw companions Bob Cook and Hugh Robertson there. Congratulations to companion Arnold Palmer for his appointment to Grand Line - I am sure he will do his usual good job.

I hope everybody is in good health, and that they remain that way. □

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

Ill. Hugh H. Robertson, Master
538-4487
L. Edward Walker, Recorder
647-2382



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

By Ill. Hugh H. Robertson
Please note! Our annual meeting will be May 20th. This year has gone very fast. I wish to thank everyone who helped me in any way. It was very much appreciated.

Official visit

Harvey Payne, Grand Conductor of Council, will be with us for his official visit. We will also go out to dinner, time and place to be announced. Remember to wear tux.

Welcome

Make an effort to welcome our new members, Doug Poole and Mike Staub. □

Ionic Chapter
No. 210
Royal Arch Masons

William R. Zufall, High Priest
H271-0795 W442-4927

Roy E. Huff, Secretary
663-7479

4th Tuesday

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

By E.H.P. William Zufall
I would like to start this month's column by thanking everyone who helped make the Table Chapter a success. The dinner was excellent, and I'm sure everyone enjoyed the ritual and the speeches.

Grand Lecturer's Convention

Our first meeting in May will be held at Dansville on May 12th as part of the Grand Lecturer's Convention. There will be a ham loaf dinner at 6 PM at a cost of \$6. Please call me at 271-0795 for dinner reservations, no later than May 4th. The Grand Lecturer's Convention will begin promptly at 7:30 PM, and you are strongly

encouraged to attend. Perhaps we can get a car pool organized so we don't all have to drive. Our Grand Lecturer, R.E. Hobie Cook, is a lot of fun to be around, and his conventions are always interesting and entertaining as well as instructive and informative. In addition, I will be installed in my new position of Assistant Grand Lecturer that evening, so I hope you will make an effort to be there to support me.

Official Visit

On May 26th (the 4th Tuesday), we will be receiving the District Deputy Grand High Priest, who will be making his Official Visit to Ionic Chapter. Our new DDGHP, R.E. Bob Zahn, is a very enthusiastic and dedicated Companion, and I urge you to be present on May 26th to support him and hear the message he brings from our GHP, M.E. John Sainz.

Consolidation plans

Consolidation plans are proceeding on schedule. The By-Laws Committee has had several meetings to work on a proposed set of By-Laws for 'Hiram Chapter', which is the working name at this point. Others have been preparing the necessary financial information and working on a list of possible officers. When the proposal is complete, you will be getting all the necessary information to help you make an intelligent decision at a summoned meeting. Meanwhile, come out to our meetings and let us know what your feelings, your hopes, and your fears about consolidation may be. □

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



2nd & 4th
Thursdays

Lawrence W. Dunn, High Priest
H:594-8033 O:546-2088
Richard J. Ollver, Secretary
594-2380

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

By E.H.P. Lawrence W. Dunn
I think the snows of winter have finally decided to wait until next year to make our lives more miserable. As you must assume, I am not a cold weather advocate. I prefer warm weather activities compared to skiing, ice skating and sledding. It is also the approach of the end of the first half of my year as your High Priest. Grand Chapter has come and gone. The Chapter degrees for our new Companions have been presented, and Hamilton Chapter has two new exalted members. My predecessor, Excellent Companion Hugh Robertson, and those before him, have always stressed to you how important you are to the success of Hamilton Chapter. I am still looking forward to seeing you at a Chapter meeting.

Considering a Merger?

For those of you who have not been attending Hamilton Chapter Convocations regularly, I have information that is of importance to each of you. This year it was

voted in chapter, at a regular meeting, to explore the possibility of our Chapter consolidating with other Chapters in the area. Correspondence was exchanged with those Chapters. As of this date, Ionic and Hamilton Chapters have shown an interest in such a consolidation. There have been preliminary meetings by appointed committees of each chapter. By-Laws, dues structure, meeting nights, and possible names have been discussed and that information has been presented at Chapter meetings. Companions, as I worked my way through the "chairs" of Hamilton Chapter towards the station of High Priest, I watched our future line of officers disintegrate before my eyes. This year, for the first time, Hamilton Chapter has three Past High Priests sitting as officers of our Chapter. I did not want to visualize a Hamilton Chapter line of officers composed of Past High Priests. That is just one of the reasons I have endorsed the committee looking into a possible consolidation. As the Committee presents information to the Chapter, you will be notified in future articles. As Companions, we must remember that our first duty is the preservation of Royal Arch Masonry in our area. Please join us at our convocations, we need your help.

Upcoming Events

The 2nd Thursday of each month we have been invited to join Flower City Lodge for a dinner preceding our respective meetings. Each dinner sees more and more brothers and companions in attendance. Why not join us.

May 14th, our first meeting of May, Companion Burton Brown, a brother of my Lodge, O-ATKA No. 759, has been asked to present his talk on the Morgan affair, and the facts he has amassed pertaining to that event.

Remember we meet the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month. Try to join us when your cabletow allows.

"MAY THE BLESSINGS OF HEAVEN REST UPON YOU AND YOURS." □

ORDER OF JUDAS MACCABEUS



Raymond R. Beardsley,
Grand Commander 248-5218
Herbert Hirsch,
Grand Recorder 426-1612

By Roy E. Huff, Reporter
Assemblage No. 1 held a meeting in April at the home of Ronald and Elaine Bertie. There were over 25 Companions and ladies present.

The next meeting of Genesee Assemblage will be on May 17th at Clemente's Restaurant, 84 High Street, Fairport. The ladies are invited to attend also. There will be a meeting at 5:00 p.m. We are trying to establish our formal charter and get it registered. Dinner will follow at 6:30 p.m..

Telephone Companion Jerry Glaser (381-3340) or Ronald Bertie (225-6348) for reservations. □



Shrine Lunch Club

By Cliff Laundry

In March, Ill. Potentate John W. Foster gave his plans for Damascus Temple in 1992. He emphasized the need for all Nobles to work on getting new members. His program challenges us to help him make it a good year.

Speakers of the Month

During the month, Brother Grant Romer told us of the many activities which contribute to the successful operation of the Eastman House. Later, Kathy Birch, a young lady from the Berry Company, known as "The Yellow Page People" told us of how her company contacts people who might be interested in advertising in the yellow pages and how they can best get their message across to the public.

Another speaker was Lloyd Stott whose subject was "Who Could Forget the Burma-Shave signs?". This brought back many memories of the Burma-Shave signs that we used to see along our main roads.

We also heard Bill Dworkin's talk on "Strictly George Gershwin". Since space is limited, we can't do justice to this fine presentation. You might want to call on R. W. Bill, though, if you'd like an entertaining program for your group.

Our meetings during May will feature:

- May 4 Lieut. McBride
Roch Fire Dept. Public Safety
- May 11 Thomas LaRock
Executive Director of the New Seneca Park Zoo
- May 18 Mike Bell
Parole Board Administration
- May 25 No Meeting - Memorial Day

Tall Cedars of Lebanon

Rochester Forest No. 133

Meets the 4th Thursday

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

Thomas J. Hueston
Grand Tall Cedar



Donald C. Bell
Senior Deputy Grand Tall Cedar

Robert J. Nichols
Junior Deputy Grand Tall Cedar

Leonard A. Latta, Scribe

By Don Bell, SDGTC

By the time you read this, the trees that we have purchased for donation to the Penfield Parks and Recreation department will already have been transplanted. For those of you readers who may be puzzled, our immediate Past Grand Tall Cedar, John Zabel, suggested that we donated a tree in light of the disastrous ice storm that hit the Rochester area on March 4, 1991. Our efforts to



Lalla Rookh GROTTO

By Gordon Dodge
Monarch

Spring is Now Here

Spring is now officially here. I know that because I don't have to scrape the windshield of my car every morning. Spring is the time for renewal and we did that on April 15th as we initiated one of the largest classes (in decades) of candidates into Lalla Rookh Grotto. What a night!! In attendance also that evening was Deputy Grand Monarch S. Joseph Farrell of Shedad Grotto in Brockton, MA, along with his aide P.M. Jim Gibson from Taleb Grotto in Quincy, MA. Large portions of homemade Chili and liquid refreshments followed. A great "Centennial" doing.

National Convention - 1992 and 1993

The trip to the 1992 National Convention is NOW FULL. Everyone is looking forward to both Los Angeles and then Las Vegas where Joe Farrell will be elected "Grand Monarch" of the Grottos of North America.

The 1993 National convention will be held here in ROCHESTER, NEW YORK JUNE 16-19, 1993. Plans are already being formulated by the Director-General of the convention, General Chairman Michael Bell and the Housing Chairman Ronald Morthorst. As these Prophets ask for your help and assistance, please stretch forth your hand and say "Of course I'll help, what can I do".

Coming Up

Here are dates to remember on coming events. Mark your calendars, come to functions and have some fun.

- May 4 Board meeting
- May 14 Caldron meeting
- May 20 Euchre Tournament
- Jun 17 Outdoor meeting
- Aug 1 Finger Lakes
- Aug 15 Golf Tournament

Euchre Tournament

Sign up that partner for the Euchre Tournament after our regular meeting night on May 20th. Call the office at 271-6987 or Louie Heck at 586-5257 if you haven't entered as of yet. It's a lot

of fun and there are prizes and of course the usual refreshments.

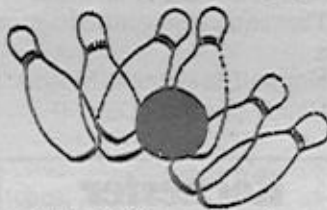
Sickness/Distress

P.M. Bill Yahn has passed away since the last column and P.M. Jay Painton is recovering at home after open heart surgery. Also, Adeania Merritt, wife of P.M. "Merch" Merritt has passed away. Please remember them in your thoughts and prayers.

Finger Lakes/Golf Tournament

The third annual excursion to Finger Lakes Racetrack takes place on August 1st (Saturday) this year. Only \$12.50 gets you a sit-down luncheon, free parking, clubhouse admission and a program. This is OPEN to EVERYONE, Masons, Prophets, Caldron, Guests, Friends, etc. See the Monarch for tickets, or call him at 334-3660.

Masonic Gothic Bowling League



John J. Flynn, Secretary
227-6106

As the season heads into its final three weeks, it is time to start planning for the 1992-93 season. We would like to add two new teams for next season and bring the league back up to ten teams. We also will have openings for individuals to fill vacancies on existing teams. The league is open to both Masons and non-Masons. We bowl at 8:30 p.m. on Wednesdays at Maiden Lanes Bowling Center at the corner of Mt. Read and Maiden Lane in Greece. Anyone interested, please contact me at the above telephone number, the sooner the better. We would really like

Presenting your 1992 Tall Cedars Rochester Forest Officers



Left to right: Paul Kober, Treasurer and Foundation Trustee; Carl Busack, Preceptor; Donald Bell, Sr. Dep. GTC; Thomas Hueston, Grand Tall Cedar; Robert Nichols, Jr. Dep. GTC; Leonard Latta, Scribe and Donald Bruggar, District Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar.

bring our Forest's agreement to fruition are about to be realized.

We were glad to see our Brother Tall Cedar, R. W. George Simon, back in the thick of things at the 3rd degree Fest,

after his recent stay in the hospital. We were also glad to see Brother Tall Cedar R. W. Fred Nielsen back and his amiable self at Wakan-Hubbard's Ladies Night, after his recent surgery.

to increase the number of Brother Masons participating and prevent the league from becoming a "Masonic League" in name only.

Great scores

Since last month's column, more good scores have been turned in by Masonic Gothic bowlers. John Flynn had a 652 series (with a 256 game), Jack Thibaut-629 (204, 208, 217), Rich

A. Ehrne-630 (225, 202, 203) and 629 (237), Rex Edwards Jr.-628 (233, 221), Leonard Mack-626 (215, 212), Richard Topel-624 (254), and Rich P. Ehrne-600 (220, 219).

Individual scores of note include Al Kerber 232, Jerry Glaser 223, Fred Graff 222, Ralph Loiacono 222, Warham Quinlan 222, Gordy Dodge 220, and Mike Drenzo 219.

Masonic Interlodge Fellowship Annual Golf Tournament Ladies and Mens' Divisions

Saturday, June 13, 1992

Twin Hills Country Club
5917 Ridge Road West (Rte. 104)
Spencerport, N. Y.
352-4800

- ! Scoring: Low Gross and Calloway Handicap
- ! Tee Time: 11:00 a.m. (assigned on first paid, first out basis). Must arrive at least 15 minutes ahead to check in/get carts.
- ! Greens Fees: \$27.00. Carts by reservation at cost of \$17.00 (for two). Call Ian Buchanan to reserve carts (865-2979).
- ! Included: Courtesy refreshments, at Club House and on course.

Lunch at the turn

Golf Ball

Prizes/awards for low net, low gross, longest drive, closest to pin on par 3's. Separate for Ladies and Men.

Greens fees and entry forms to be returned no later than June 6th. (If you don't list your phone number on the entry form, expect pot luck on starting time!)

There will be no "camel's milk on the course (Club rules). Courtesy camel's milk at the Club house after play while scores are being calculated.

Interlodge is subsidizing at \$4 to \$5 per entrant. Thanks for your support. "Shorty". COMPLETE AND MAIL RESERVATION (with check made out to Interlodge Fellowship) TO: Ian Buchanan, 147 Holyoke St., #12, Rochester, N. Y. 14815.

Interlodge Fellowship 1992 Golf Tournament

Participants (Name and Address):

Phone: _____

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Grotto Golf Tournament

August 15, 1992

Braemar Country Club

Enclosed is \$19.00 each for _____ person(s), and a total of

\$ _____. Check is attached, payable to Grotto Golf Tournament, and addressed to: Gordon Dodge
153 Faircrest Road
Rochester, N. Y. 14623

Name _____

Address _____ Phone: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

(Cost includes cart. Limited to first 40 reservations by Masons and their guests. Calloway rules apply and there will be refreshments at the turn and awards presentations.)

Wakan-Hubbard Invitational Golf Tournament

Saturday August 22, 1992

Open to MASONs and FRIENDs

Tee Times starting at 11:00 AM
Greens Fees, Cart, and Dinner Included
Trophies and Prizes

Bring your Lady for Dinner

Shadow Lakes Golf Course
1850 Five Mile Line Road
Penfield, NY 14526

Contact:

- Don Bell (Chairman) 334-7768
- Bob Harris 865-1380
- John Sciortino 377-0231

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Past Master's Supper Club
 President
 W.: Richard G. Giedd
 621-3045
 Secretary
 W.: Robert Sanford
 292-6383

By W.: Richard G. Giedd
 We are scheduled for the 5th Friday this month, the 29th.
 We meet on the last Friday of each month, providing no holiday interrupts the schedule, at the Redman's Party House on Lexington Avenue near Mt. Read.
 Members and guests select dinner from the menu. Expect a short program. There's always a euchre table or two, as well! □

HiLights
Order of the Eastern Star
DISTRICT of MONROE,
STATE of NEW YORK
 Rt. Wthy. James E. Comstock,
 Reporter

R. Wthy. Karen Leipold, District Deputy Grand Matron, District of Monroe, Order of the Eastern Star, State of New York, wishes a happy Spring to Monroe District. She feels that if we see it in print, we will know it is Spring.

Official visit

M. Wthy. Ruth Hines, Grand Matron, Order of the Eastern Star, State of New York, officially visited Monroe District on Friday April 3rd. After a delicious dinner at the Gateway Center, attended by 236 members, R. Wthy. Karen very capably presided over the visitation meeting. Attendance totaled 325 persons, including 66 elected and appointed Grand Officers. Six Past M. Wthy. Grand Matrons and six M. Wthy. Grand Patrons also attended, bringing the total to 78. M. Wthy. Ruth and each of the members of her "Official Family," as well as the Past M. Wthy's, expressed their affection for R. Wthy. Wanda Williams, Grand Conductress, Order of the Eastern Star, State of N.Y., and praised the excellent work she is doing for the Grand Chapter. Monroe District can justly be proud of these glowing remarks. R. Wthy. Kenneth Rhodes, Associate Grand Sentinel, Order of the Eastern Star, State of N.Y., who has attended all of the official visits to date, also received plaudits from the Grand Line.

Fidelity Triangle

On April 11th Cynthia Lynch was installed as Beloved Queen of Fidelity Triangle No. 4 at Fame Lodge. Her staff includes Holly Gorall, Senior Lady in Waiting; Melissa Dubois, Junior Lady in Waiting; Belinda Cooper, Guardian; PBQ Linda Ferguson, Chaplain; Jr. PBQ Mary Fischer, Marshal; and PBQ Amy Lynch, Assistant Marshal. Their principal project for the ensuing term is to assist and contribute to the Mary Cariola Children's Center.

All welcome

Wanda's Peaches meeting at Fairport was attended by nearly 60 people—a great turn out and

expression of support for our District. Thank you to Webster Chapter for refreshments. We encourage all members of the District to attend and join in our good work. The next meeting is at Charlotte Mason Temple, on Wednesday May 6th at 7:30 p.m.

Two dinners

On May 1st two spaghetti dinners will be hosted by Wanda's Peaches. One will be at Webster Lodge-30 Orchard Street, Webster N.Y. and the other Spencerport (Etolian) Lodge-133 Union Street, Spencerport NY. We look forward to seeing you there.

Make a pledge

R. Wthy. Karen Leipold reminds us of the Second Annual Walkathon for Wanda's Peaches, to be held on Saturday May 30th at Ontario Beach Park. She would like everyone to come and bring your own picnic, cheer the walkers on and share a day of friendship. The Matrons of each Chapter have all the information and pledge sheets. Last year we had a cool (cold) September walk. This year we are looking forward to a beautiful May day (if it doesn't snow!).

As this paper goes to press, income taxes are on the mind of our District Deputy. She says that the guy who figured out the \$100.00 exemption for a wife, must have been single.

Dine with Wanda's Peaches SPAGHETTI DINNER

Sponsored by
 Order of the Eastern Star
 Webster Temple
 AND
 Etolian Temple

FRIDAY, May 1
4:30 p. m. - 7:00 p. m.
Adults \$5.00
Children (under 12) \$3.00

1992 Calendar of Events

- May 5 Nola Chapter Official Visit
- May 7 Oatka Chapter Official Visit
- May 11 Mary Jane Holmes Chapter Official Visit
- May 13 Corinthian Chapter Official Visit
- May 18 Etolian Chapter Official Visit
- Jun. 4 Lilac Luncheon - Oriskany, New York
- Jun. 20 Combined homecoming for Rt. Wthy. Karen Leipold and Rt. Wthy. Fred Ambeau □

NOLA Chapter No. 368

Order of the Eastern Star
 Wthy Wilda Robinson, Matron
 293-1405
 Rt. Wthy Carol Wynings, Secretary
 594-4692
 \$
1st & 3rd Tuesdays
8:00 p. m.
 •
 20 South Main Street
 Churchville, N. Y. 14428

By Wthy. Avis Theis
 We will have our Official Visit May 5th and Memorial night May 19th. The committee for May is Wthy. Susan Drake, Wthy. Anita Drake and Sr. Vickie Gross. Wthy's. Judy and John Lenzie will help May 5th.

Sickness

As I write this, Wthy. Patron Ken Robinson will be having sur-

gery. We will be praying for his quick recovery. Wthy. George Simon was in Lakeside Hospital and is now back in service. Rt. Wthy. Lucile Mason, Sr. Mable Gruendike, and Wthy. Merle Drake all took falls and we hope they are doing better.

Wthy. Mary Shakeshaft's new address is St. John's Home, 150 Highland Avenue, Rochester, 14620.

Help needed

We are planning our rummage sale May 29-30th at the United Methodist Church, Churchville. Wthy. Carol Wynings and Sr. Vickie Gross will be in charge. They will need help both days and will set up May 28th in the evening.

Thanks

Sr. Jean Stewart thanks all who furnished and helped at the baked food sale.

Fun evening

The "Teddy Bear Night" was not only cute, but very interesting. There were old ones, new ones and best of all, sentimental ones. The dining room was set up for us to enjoy a teddy bear picnic.

Communications

We enjoyed a nice long letter from Sr. Doris Ray in Florida. We also thank Wthy. Alta Smith from California for her monetary help for our bake sale.

"Think of all the lovely words
 And you will find no other
 That sounds so gentle to your ears
 Nor half as sweet as Mother".
 Happy Mother's Day. □

Rochester Chapter No. 314

Order of Eastern Star
 Wthy. Claudia R. Symonds,
 Matron 865-1649
 Wthy. Gladys Geith,
 Secretary 328-5580
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First Saturday
8:00 P.M.
 875 East Main Street
 Rochester, N. Y. 14605

By Wthy. Claudia Symonds
 The promise of Spring and brighter days is here at last. Even though Spring's arrival has been a slow one, my year as Matron is hurrying on by. Wthy. Ron Mertens and I had a great turn out for our March 7th Official Visit, and we took in three new members. Welcome Martha Osinski, Rena Weiss and Ray Knepper.

On April 4th we opened in Ample Form and the Star Points were honored. After the meeting we had a "50's" Night and a cookie auction.

Coming events

On May 2nd all members are invited by the Past Matrons to bring a dish to pass tureen supper before the meeting. It's Memorial Night, white gowns, and after the meeting there will be a Brown Bag auction. Come join the fun.
 May 12 - Birthday Banquet at the Bounty Harbor. Call Wthy. Barbara Mertens (Evenings 482-0994, daytime 473-2977) for reservations.

June 6 - Past Matrons and Patrons Dinner.
 July 25 - Pilgrimage to Oriskany.
 August 23 - Chapter "Pasta" picnic at Braddock's Bay.
 September 19 - Tureen dinner at 6:00 p.m. Master Mason Night.
 October 3 - Honor Associate Matron and Patron and Game Night.

October 26-30 - OES Grand Sessions in Niagara Falls.

November 4 - Monroe District Banquet.



November 7 - Homecoming.

December 5 - Annual Meeting.

December 29 - Installation rehearsal.

A special "hello" to all our Sisters and Brothers that can't make it out to meetings. If you would like to attend a meeting and need a ride, contact our Secretary, Wthy. Gladys Geith, at 328-5580 or me at 865-1649. We will be happy to help you secure a ride. □

Masonic Youth Activities

Order of DeMolay


 Master Councilor
 Jason Staub
Rochester Chapter
 Charlotte Temple
 1st & 3rd Friday

(No copy received at press time)

Fidelity Triangle #4


 Cynthia Lynch
 Beloved Queen
 334-7953
2nd & 4th Saturdays

By Amy Lynch, Jr. Advisor, Monroe District
 Our officers were installed in April in Fidelity Triangle. Those received in their new positions are:

Beloved Queen
 Cynthia Lynch
 Sr. Lady in Waiting
 Holly Gorall
 Jr. Lady in Waiting
 Melissa DuBois
 Guardian
 Belinda Cooper
 Chaplain
 Laurie Ferguson
 Marshal
 Amy Lynch
 Asst. Marshal
 Mary Fisher

All the girls did extremely well with the ceremonies and should be proud of their ritual work. The room was packed! That was great to see. Our thanks to the Rochester Chapter, Order of DeMolay boys, for being Cynthia's Honor Guard. It's always great to see the guys out supporting us and sharing in our fun.


Promotional events

We are selling candy. We have a tupperware party scheduled.

There is also a Rock-a-thon. All are to raise money for Cynthia's charities which are primarily the Mary Cariola Children's Center, the scholarship fund, the Masonic Times newspaper and Fame Lodge. Our term schedule is listed in the Events column on the back page of this paper.

Possible candidates

We are now talking to three girls about membership. Does that mean someone may be reading my last paragraph each month?! I'll say it again, anyway: "if you know any girls between the ages of 11 and 21 who might be interested in making new friends and joining in new activities, please contact me or the Beloved Queen at 334-7953 for details". □

Francis Hitchcock Shay Constellation

 Christine
 VanWuyckhuysse
 Exalted Star
 682-3036
 1st & 3rd Sunday
 Masonic Temple
 Brockport, N. Y.

By Mary L. Kast, Presiding Sponsor
 The FHS Constellation usually meets at the Temple in Brockport on Sunday afternoons. On some special occasions and when we have installations, we are permitted the use of the Hilton Temple, where there is easier access for folks who may have difficulty with stairs.

Homecoming

In April, we met in Hilton for the homecoming of our Exalted Star. The Rochester DeMolay Chapter members acted as our Honor Guard. We also had a raffle at the Masonic Grand Ball to gather funds to help support our charities.

Member status

The Constellation has 14 members at present (one of whom will reach her majority this year and move on to other challenges). There are six petitions outstanding.

Convocation

The annual State Convocation in Corning is where we determine through ballot who the officers will be for the ensuing term. We'll let you know the outcome in a future column.

Need help with an event?

Should any Masonic or related group have need for some Spring cleaning, serving at dinners or helping with charitable causes, please invite us to participate. This allows us to "pay our way", gain income for our charities sometimes, and helps the girls earn merit awards and bars for service hours.

Want to join us?

Young ladies between the ages of 12 and 20 are eligible for membership. Those interested, or their parents or grandparents, should contact this writer at home at 392-3774, or at work at 427-0320. They could also contact Exalted Star Chris at the number listed with her name at the head of this article. Perhaps between us, we can get together on any petitions some young ladies may want to submit. □

May 1992

NATIONAL CAMPING TRAVELERS, INC.

Genesee Valley Chapter No. 46

Master of Travel
 Clarence A. Tegart 346-5896
 Secretary-Treasurer
 F. Russell Holmes 594-2462

By Harry Hopkins
 The members of the Genesee Valley Chapter cordially invite Master Masons and their families who enjoy camping to join us at any of our campouts this season.

1992 Schedule

- May 15-17**
 Hickory Hill Campground
 RD 2, Bath, NY
- June 19-21**
 Spruce Row Campground
 164 Kraft Road, Ithaca, NY
- July 17-19**
 Flint Creek Campground
 Phelps Rd, Middlesex, NY
- July 28-30**
 Central Florida Fairgrounds
 Orlando, FL (Nat'l Rally)
- August 14-16**
 Paradise Park Campground
 Cross Rd, Reading Ctr, NY
- August 20-23**
 Happy Green Acres Tent & Trailer Park, Brockville, Ont., Canada (District Rally)
- September 18-20**
 Four Winds Campground
 Tenefly Rd, Portageville, NY
- October 9-11**
 Woodstream Campsite
 School Rd, Gainesville, NY

You can reach me at 38 Banner Beach, Kendall, NY 14476 or by calling 659-2236. Hope to see you at a campout!

MEMORIAM
W.. Louis B. Freer



He died on March 22, 1992 at the age of 104, according to Valley-Simes Lodge Master W.. Ted Honea, who writes:

This occurred in San Jose, California. He moved there in 1977 from his first retirement home in Florida. Ethel, his wife of 69 years, and his son William both preceded him in death.

Masonic life

Brother Freer was a past master of Valley-Simes No. 109, which Lodge he joined in 1913.

He was also a member of Hamilton Chapter, Cyrene Commandery and the Rochester Consistory.

Brother Freer served as President of the Masters Association in Rochester during the time of the sale of the Clinton Avenue temple, and the erecting of the present Main Street temple. He was also a member of Sem-I-No Grotto in Lake Worth, FL and the Lake Worth High Twelve Club, where he regularly played piano before moving to CA.

Vocational life

In his professional life, Brother Freer was a court reporter for the 7th Judicial District of the State Supreme Court for forty-two years. His life was further distinguished by service in the Army as post Judge Advocate at what is now Fort Drum, NY, retiring with the rank of Colonel. Brother Freer was also active as an elder in Lakeside Prebyterian Church in West Palm Beach, FL.

Avocational life

An avid golfer, Freer played regularly until forced to give up the sport in 1972 due to failing eyesight. Brother Freer, a "left-hander", also served as president of the National Association of Left-Handed Golfers. In Rochester, he was a charter member of the Monroe Golf Club in 1924. He later transferred to Brook Lea and served on the club's Board of Governors and as treasurer and president.

Brother Freer was raised in Valley Lodge on December 22, 1913. He served as master in 1921. When he was initiated, the fee was \$20.00 and the annual dues were \$5.00!

Family life

Brother Freer is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Doris and Robert Heinrich of San Jose; his daughter-in-law, Jean Freer of Lake Worth, FL; and grandchildren Ward Freer, Robert and Denise Heinrich, William and Suzanne Heinrich, Richard and Diane Heinrich, and Nancy Green and her husband Douglas.

Nancy's book

Freer's granddaughter Nancy is producing a book chronicling our Brother's life and the life of his grandfather, William H. Bennett of Eagle Harbor, NY. She is collecting photographs, clippings, and memorabilia and asks anyone possessing such items to contact her:
 207 Gallup Road
 Spencerport, NY 14559
 716-637-5513

Remembrances

The family asks that any contributions in the memory of W.. Brother Freer be made to the conservation fund of Valley-Simes Lodge No. 109.

With Brother Freer's passing, a remarkable and active Mason has left us, but his works remain to affect all who come after him. ☐

**Bro. Jacob H. Vogel
 1891-1992**

By W.. Harold Bollotin

I first met Brother Jake when he signed my petition to the Scottish Rite in 1971, and he also signed my petition to the Shrine in 1971. He was a wonderful, kind, personable person whom I was proud to call a friend and a Brother. I fondly called him "Uncle Jake", and I told him that I was adopting him as an Uncle. He was amused to be referred as such by me. I shall miss him.

100 years

The Masonic Fraternity was saddened by the passing of one of the oldest members of the Monroe Districts, and possibly the State of New York, our own Centenarian Brother Jacob Vogel, on March 6, 1992, at the age of 100 years and 4 months.

Education

Brother "Jake", as he was fondly known, was born on September 23, 1891, in Rochester, N.Y., where he was raised and educated. He attended Elementary School No. 36, Benjamin Franklin High School and the

Mechanics Institute (now known as Rochester Institute of Technology), where he majored in accounting.

Vocation

He was employed by the Bausch and Lomb Optical Co. and became manager of the billing department, and continued his employment there until the time of his retirement.

Avocations

In his avocational life, other than Masonic, he was active in the Otetiana Council of Boy Scouts of America. He was awarded the Beaver Award, the highest honor that the Boy Scouts can confer. At the age of 85 he became a Scoutmaster. After retirement he was active in the Bausch & Lomb Retirees Club, known as the "Early Settlers", in which he held various offices. He also became active in the Y. M.C.A. Mens Retirement Club,



where he also held various offices. Fishing was one of his favorite sports. In his religious life, he was an active member of Salem Church.

Masonic History

Blue Lodge - Raised in Germania Lodge No. 722, in 1914, a member for 77 years.

Scottish Rite - Received his 32° in the Valley of Rochester on April 16, 1920; awarded the Meritorius Service Award (Red-cap) in June, 1975; sponsor of the Jacob H. Vogel Class of new candidates in the Fall Class of 1988 and Spring Class of 1989; member of Scottish Rite for 71 years.

Grotto - Became a Prophet in the Lalla Rookh Grotto, MOVPER, on May 2, 1936, and was a member for 55 years.

Shrine - Created a Shriner in Damascus Temple, AAONMS, on April 26, 1920, where he was a member for 71 years.

Masonic birthday parties

On September 17, 1988 and September 22, 1991, at the ages of 98 and 100 respectively, I had the privilege of organizing and hosting his birthday parties at the Penfield Nursing Home. Full details were published in the Masonic News in the January 1989 and November 1991 issues. He was indeed thrilled and appreciative of being so honored and recognized by his fellow Masons. He talked about it for a good long time afterwards. (I was looking forward, optimistically, to hosting a 101 year party next September).

Masonic Funeral Service

On Sunday evening, March 8, 1992, a Masonic Funeral Service was performed by W.. Kenn Kassel, Master, and the Officers of Germania Lodge No. 722, at Crawford's Funeral Home. A large number of Masons attended. Representatives of every Masonic and Concordant Body of which Brother Jake was a member, were in attendance. A fine tribute!

Brother Jake will be greatly missed in the quarries of Masonry. He was truly an upright Man and Mason. ☐

March

HEWLETT, RALPH F.

Ralph was a member of Webster Lodge No. 538 and passed away on March 21, 1992. He is survived by his wife, Laura, children, grandchildren, twin brother, and other relatives.

STALKER, JAY W. (RED)

An avid baseball fan and head of the Knot Hole Gang at Red Wing Stadium, Jay passed away March 21, 1992. He was a member of Northfield Lodge No. 426, Damascus Temple, and Rochester Consistory. He is survived by his wife, Ruth, daughter, grandchildren, other family members and a host of friends.

BAUGHMAN, H. LEONARD

A 60 year member of Clio Lodge No. 779, Leonard passed away on March 24 at the age of 90. He is survived by his daughter-in-law, grandchildren and 5 great-granddaughters.

BUSH, JOHN V.

John was a 70 year member of the Masons and passed away March 24, 1992 at the age of 100. He is survived by his children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and 5 great-great-grandchildren.

GOOSSEN, JAMES H.

James was the former owner of Goossen and Co. in Marion and passed way March 27, 1992 at the age of 98. He is survived by nieces and nephews.

MERTZ, ROBERT A.

A member of Craftsman Lodge No. 969, Rochester Consistory, Royal Order of Jester Court No. 3, and a Past Potentate of Damascus Temple, Robert passed away March 27, 1992. He is survived by his wife, Thelma, children, grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

DREW, ROBERT E.

Robert passed away suddenly on March 29, 1992. He was a member of Genesee Falls Lodge No. 507, which is now Towpath Lodge No. 163. He is survived by his children, grandchildren and other family members.

SMITH, GLENN C.

Glenn was a member of Henrietta Lodge No. 526, and passed away on March 29, 1992. He is survived by his wife, Harriet, children, 2 granddaughters, and many family members.

SUITS, MILDRED M.

Mildred was a retired school teacher of the Ovid Central School system and a member of the Order of the Eastern Star No. 200 of Seneca County. She passed away March 29, 1992 and is survived by nieces and a nephew.

WINSLOW, EDNA SNYDER

A member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Edna passed away at home on March 29, 1992 at the age of 96. She is survived by her son-in-law, grandchildren and 2 great-granddaughters, as well as other family members.

HADLOCK, HELENE M.

Helene was a Past Matron of Charlotte Chapter, OES and passed away suddenly on March 30, 1992. She is survived by her husband, Donald, daughters, grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

ROOT, MYRTA K.

Myrta was the wife of Edward, a member of Monroe Lodge No. 173, and passed away in March, 1992. Edward died in 1952.

April

FREAR, FRANCES M.

Frances was predeceased by her husband, Arthur, founder of Frear Chevrolet. She was a retiree of the City School District of Rochester and is survived by her sons Arnold and Charles, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She passed away April 1, 1992.

KEMP, ALEXANDER

A member of Fame Lodge No. 945 and Damascus Temple, Alexander passed away April 1, 1992. He is survived by his sisters, family members and friends.

HILL, CECIL THOMAS

Cecil passed away in Ft. Lauderdale, FL., April 2, 1992. He was a member of Seneca Lodge No. 797, Rochester Consistory, Damascus Temple, Royal Order of Jesters Court No. 3, Gold Coast Shrine Club of Mahi Temple, Red Cross of Constantine and Hamilton Chapter No. 62, Royal Arch Masons. He is survived by his wife, Rose.

BOECKMANN, JOHN A.

Following a brief illness, John passed away on April 4, 1992 at the age of 82. He was a member of Newark Lodge No. 83, Zenobia Commandery and a Past District Deputy of the Royal Arch Masons in the Wayne District. He is survived by his wife, Ilva, children, grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

ECKARDT, CHARLES (CARL)

Carl was a retiree of Eastman Kodak Co. and a member of Charlotte-Corinthian Lodge No. 1088. He passed away on April 7, 1992 and is survived by his wife, Marie, children, grandchildren, and 1 great-granddaughter.

VICK, HAROLD A. (HAL)

Harold died suddenly on April 10, 1992 and is survived by his wife, Ruth, and many other relatives. He was a member of Seneca Lodge No. 797 and a retiree of Eastman Kodak Co.

BOSTWICK, DOROTHY M.

A Past Matron of Rochester Chapter No. 314, OES, Dorothy passed away on April 11, 1992. She is survived by her children, grandchildren and other relatives.

ESSON, ROBERT (SCOTTY)

Scotty was a member of the Tartan Square Club, Lodge Neptune No. 375 of Aberdeen, Scotland and a retiree of Eastman Kodak Co. He passed away April 11, 1992 and is survived by his wife, Bessie, children, grandchildren and other relatives.

MEYER, MILDRED L.

Mildred was a member of Irondequoit Chapter No. 572, OES and passed away on April 11, 1992. She leaves a daughter, 2 grandchildren and many other relatives and friends.

DENNIS, GEORGE J.

George passed away April 15, 1992. He was born in 1913 in Brooklyn, NY. He was raised in Baldwin Lodge No. 1047 in 1942 and affiliated with Northfield Lodge No. 426 in January, 1969. He was presented his 50 year pin and certificate on his 79th birthday. He is a Past Master of Northfield, a member of Rochester Consistory, Damascus Temple and had been Patron of Lea Court Chapter No. 539, OES. ☐

Masonic Activities Looking Ahead

To make additions, call the Service Bureau at 473-4351 or Fax 262-5491.
1992

- Jun. 4 Purple Club
- Jun. 5-6-7 OES Lilac Luncheon
- Jun. 6 Fairport Village Days
- Jun. 6 Pike - Chicken BBQ
- Jun. 11 Spencerport Parade with Etollan Lodge
- Jun. 12-14 Council of Deliberations, Lake Placid
- Jun. 13 Interlodge Golf Tournament at Twin Hills CC
Triangle Meeting
Genesee York Rite College
Genesee-Wyoming Masters & Wardens at LeRoy
- Jun. 14 Erie Districts Masonic Day - Darlen Lake
- Jun. 19-21 St. John's Weekend, Utica
- Jun. 20 OES Homecoming for District Deputy and District Grand Lecturer
- Jun. 21 Charlotte-Corinthian Pig Roast/Picnic Braddock's
Father's Day Bkfst/Letchworth State Park
- Jun. 27 Masters and Wardens, O-At-Ka, Scottsville
Triangle Meeting
- Jul. 4 Patient Picnic, Canandaigua
- Jul. 5-25 Camp Turk for Boys
- Jul. 11 Quarry Degree sponsored by Cataract Lodge 295,
Middleport at 4 p.m.
- Jul. 17-18 Monroe Lodge Garage Sale @ Brockport Fireman's
Exempts Grounds
- Jul. 18 West Star Chicken BBQ - 3rd Ann. Neighbor Days
- Jul. 25 O.E.S. Oriskany Pilgrimage Day
- Jul. 26-Aug 15 Camp Turk for Girls
- Aug. 1 Grotto Day at Fingerlakes
- Aug. 2 Genesee-Wyoming Sun. Go To Church - Warsaw
Fishing Derby at Olcott - Niagara Orleans District
- Aug. 8 Grand Master's Day at Camp Turk
Henrietta at Red Wing's Stadium
- Aug. 15 Metro Police & Fire Square CI - Steak Roast
Grotto Golf Tournament at Braemar
Fire & Police Steak Roast-Henrietta Town Park
- Aug. 14-15 Grand Council, Cryptic Masons - Liverpool
- Aug. 21 Scottish Rite Annual Outing
- Aug. 22 Wakan-Hubbard Golf Tournament at Shadow Lake
- Aug. 22-23 Grand Lodge Officers Training - Utica
- Sep. 9 Churchville DeWitt-Clinton/AGL
- Sep. 12 Semi-Annual Philalethes Feast - Rochester
Triangle Meeting
- Sep. 14 Tri-Lodge EducSeminar (Wakan/ERAC/Fairport)
- Sep. 16 School of Ritual-1*/tba

- Sep. 17 Scottish Rite
- Sep. 19-20 Triangle Mini-Convention
- Sep. 23 Churchville 1*
- Sep. 24 Bergen Corn Roast and Auction
- Sep. 26 Masters and Wardens, Churchville
- Oct. 1 Scottish Rite
- Oct. 10 Grotto Centennial Celebration
Triangle Meeting
- Oct. 14 Churchville - DDGM visit
- Oct. 15 Symbolic Awards Night by Scottish Rite
- Oct. 16 Scottish Rite Ladies Night
- Oct. 17 Grand Master's Ball - Oswego
- Oct. 24 Masters and Wardens. Wakan-Hubbard. Penfld
Grand Lodge Seminar - Western Region
Triangle - Election of Officers
Grand Chapter, O.E.S. - Niagara Falls
- Oct. 26-29 Churchville - 2*
- Oct. 28 OES District Banquet
- Nov. 4 Scottish Rite Family Life Program
- Nov. 5 Churchville - Shrine Pgm
- Nov. 11 Scottish Rite Fall Re-union
- Nov. 19-21

- May 29 Eric District An-
nouncement, Ismailia
- May 31 Temple, Buffalo
Steuben District Din-
ner Cruise, Keuka
- Jun 4 King Solomon's
Primitive's 150th, Troy
- Jun 5-12 London, England
- Jun 13 A.A.S.R. - C.O.D.,
Lake Placid
- Jun 14-16 National Convention,
Daughter's of the Nile,
Rochester. Open Sun-
day, Breakfast Monday
& Banquet Even.
- Jun 18-21 St. John's Day & Train-
ing, Utica
- Jun 26 Travel to Long Island

Partial Itinerary of the Deputy Grand Master



R.W. Sheldon K. Blank

By R.W. Rod Burris
May 2-6 New York City for
Grand Lodge
May 8 Knights of Columbus
Convention, Concord
Hotel

- May 9 Perseverance Lodge's
75th, Holiday Inn,
Amherst
- May 10 Cornerstone Laying at
Hospital, Silver Creek
- May 11 Recognition, Media
Temple A.A.O.N.M.S.
Watertown
- May 15 Valley of Buffalo In-
stallation
- May 16 Cornerstone Laying at
Ogden Town Hall,
Spencerport
- May 17 Cornerstone Laying at
Masonic Temple,
Cortland
- May 18 Sojourner's Night,
Liverpool Lodge
- May 21 Tonawanda Lodge No.
247's 125th
- May 22 Centennial - Central
Square & Amboy
Lodges Greenview
Country Club, West
Monroe
- May 23 Bill Reifsnnyder's
Homecoming, Syracuse
- May 27 Metro Deputies An-
nouncements, Floral
Park

Auditorium CENTER

- May 8 Fri. 8 p.m.
- May 9 Sat. 2 p.m. and 8 p.m.
- May 10 Sun. 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
"Ziegfeld, A Night
at the Follies"
- May 13 Wed. 8 p.m.
Tanya Tucker
in Concert
- May 14 Thurs. 8 p.m.
- May 15 Fri. 8 p.m.
"No Place to Lay My Head", a
Broadway Bound Gospel
Musical Play
- May 16 Sat. 8:15 p.m.
RTOS Organ Concert
Guest: Arnold Loxan
- May 21 Thurs. 8 p.m.
Nana Moussokri in Concert
- May 23 Sat. Heart Strings
Musical, an AIRS
Benefit Show
- May 27 Wed. 8 p.m.
Patti LaBelle in Concert

Calendar May 1992

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Advisory for boaters: OV = Official Visit Those launching boats 16' or over should know they need a NY State decal (\$25) to avoid a heavy fine. Call 1-800-848-2100 for information before getting that boat to a launch! (courtesy of LeeZona).						
					1 Monroe Cdry Wandas Peaches Spaghetti/Wbetr AND Spencerport - BOTH at 4:30 pm Olive Branch to Toronto	2 Royal Arch Degree - Toronto
3 Organ Music Pgm at Roch Temple - 2 PM for Service Bureau Benefit Fidelity Triangle Dinner	4 Grand Lodge NYC West Star - 1* at 8 p.m. John A. Robertson Shrine Lunch Club	5 Grand Lodge NYC Oakland/Batavia Clio Henrietta Fellowcraft Char-Corin move-up Warsaw Craftsman move-up Towpath move-up Germania/Nola move-up	6 Attica - 3* Olive Branch - Snowbirds Return VA Volunteers Awards Banquet 3X3 RAM/Spencerport	7 Webster Northfield - Dinner/Move-up Hesperus - 3*/dinner at 6:30 Constellation Ldg Western Star RA Eastman House Program	8 Cyrene Cdry Arcade RAM	9 Monroe - Corned Beef Dinner Gen-Wyom Chicken BBQ in Bergen Fidelity Tri Rock-a-Thon Northfield Ladies Night in East Roch. Drug Free School Zone/ Olean - 9 a.m. Commandery Feat./East Aurora
10 Mother's Day Chicken BBQ at Attica Lodge VA Hoep visit - Canandaigua	11 ERAC Wakan-Hubbard Etollan Fairport Union Star - 1* Mt Vernon Brkpt OES (OV) Shrine Lunch Club	12 Seneca Valley-Simes Monroe Henrietta Arcade Wyoming RAM Leroy RAM Craftsman Flwcrft Ionic at Danesville/Dinner	13 Churchville - 3 Deg Oatka Triluminar	14 Flower City - Ladies Night Hamilton RAM (Morgan) Eagle Valley Batavia Cdry Arts&Crafts Show sponsored by Medina 336/OES 381 - Medina Armory	15 Leroy RAM to Canada Monroe Cdry - Installation and dinner at 6:30 p.m.	16 Cornerstone Ceremony - Ogden Community Ctr/2 p.m. BIKE RODEO - Brkpt Webster - Steaks & Euchre Bliss - Chicken BBQ Armed Forces Day
17 West Star/Pork Roast Dinner @ noon Judas Maccabeus at Clements in Fairport at 5 p.m. Livingston Co. Communion Serv/Bkfst (call J. Lee) Religious Service/Bkfst at Buffalo Conv. Ctr. at 10:15 a.m.(call R. Bower at 434-4946)	18 John A. Robertson West Star - 3*/dinner at 7p Victoria Day Canada Shrine Lunch Club	19 Oakland CLIO/Batavia Char-Corin Morgan Pgm Warsaw - 1* Craftsman Towpath Henrietta Fellowcraft OES Nola - Mgrshp Night Castile - Ladies Night	20 Grotto Euchre Tourn Attica Olive Branch - 2 Deg Doric Council 3X3 RAM Grotto	21 Valley of Roch Elections/Install Webster - Table Lodge Northfield (OL Rpt) Hesperus - DSA Pres. & Rusty Mason Night Constellation Ldg Western Star RAM	22 Cyrene Cdry	23 Fidelity Triangle
24	25 Warsaw Chicken BBQ	26	27 Churchville Bean and Weiners Oatka Triluminar	28 Monroe Bur Education: Continuing Ed. Program Hamilton RAM Eagle Valley Batavia Cdry Northfield - Bring a Friend	29 PM Supper Club Nola Rummage Sale	30 Master & Wardens Honeye Falls OES Walkathon Seneca - Ladies Night Nola Rummage Sale
31	Memorial Day	Monroe Henrietta - 1* Ionic Chp RAM (OV) Arcade Leroy RAM				