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W.: Norm Crosby to Receive Distinguished Achievement Medal



"Start your oration at the sound of the tone and I will retaliate just as soon as I can".

That's the recorded telephone message of the "Master of Malaprops", W.: Norm Crosby, designated recipient of the 1993 Distinguished Achievement Medal: highest award that can be given by the Grand Lodge of Masons in the State of New York to a Brother Mason.

W.: Brother Crosby will receive the Medal following the reading of the Award Citation at the Annual Grand Master's Banquet to be held at the Rochester Riverside Convention Center, Monday, May 3rd.

The busiest of people

For many years Crosby has been one of the busiest of the

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"name" comedians in the Nation's best Theaters and Casino showrooms, on the Banquet circuit, as well as the top television variety, talk and game shows.

Co-Host

Norm Crosby serves as Jerry Lewis' Co-Host on Jerry's annual Labor Day Telethon for the Muscular Dystrophy Assoc. with Norm presiding over the show's national live remote segments from Los Angeles. Previously, Crosby has hosted TV talkshows, game shows, variety and award specials, as well as his own series, "Norm Crosby's Comedy Shop".

Commercials

Some years ago, the Anheuser-Busch Co. decided to use that "likable guy who talks funny" to do a commercial for Natural Light Beer. The results were excellent and after many subsequent commercials Norm was made a Corporate spokesman for all Anheuser-Busch products; a position that he still holds.

Service

Born and raised in the Boston area, Norm served in the U.S. Coast Guard as a radar operator in the North Atlantic on Anti-Submarine patrol. There, he developed a hearing problem caused by concussions from depth charges.

Special worker

Because of this hearing affliction, Crosby has a special interest in the problems of the hearing impaired. He was the 1st National

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Press Release No. 6

212TH ANNUAL GRAND LODGE SESSION TO PRESENT 1993 DISTINGUISHED ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL TO ENTERTAINER W.: NORM CROSBY

Rochester, New York, will be the site of the 212th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New York on May 3rd and 4th, 1993. This marks only the second time in recent history when this gala convention has been held outside of New York City.

Accommodations

The Grand Lodge Sessions and the Grand Master's Banquet will be held in the Riverside Convention Center, one of Rochester's newer facilities. The Holiday Inn, Genesee Plaza (716-546-6400) will be the headquarters location, offering single or double accommodations at \$78.00 plus tax per night. The brand new Hyatt Hotel and Resort (800-233-1234) is offering single or double accommodations at \$89.00 plus tax per night.

Special mailing

All Grand Line Officers, Permanent Members, Masonic Home Trustees, Medical Research Laboratory Directors, Library Trustees, Committee Chairmen, Convention and Hospitality Committee Members, current Grand Lodge Officers, Grand Representatives, Committee Members, and Worshipful Masters should have received a special mailing from Grand Lodge along with appropriate reservation forms.

Ladies activities

Special attention has been paid to activities for our Ladies. Your host committee has developed a series of tours for their enjoyment. The TOUR PACKAGE offers are:

Sunday, May 2, 1:00-5:00 p.m. - THE MUSEUM SAMPLER: A brief city overview tour. A visit to the International Museum of Photography at the George Eastman House. Nothing can match a visit to this renowned Photographic Museum. It is located in the elegant mansion of George Eastman, founder of Eastman Kodak Co. A 2nd Museum tour includes the Margaret Woodbury Strong Museum, housing Mrs. Strong's personal collection of Victorian furniture, glassware, and over 20,000 dolls.

Sunday, May 2, 5:15-10:45 p.m. - AN EVENING IN ROCHESTER: Dinner and live theatre. GeVa's American Classic Theatre Production "Of Mice and Men" by John Steinbeck should

provide a relaxing evening.

Monday, May 3, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. - THE SPECIALTY SHOPPING ROCHESTOUR: The largest, the best, the most complete experience in shopping awaits you at MARKETPLACE MALL, greater Rochester's finest enclosed shopping mall where outstanding selections from local and national retailers are featured for the upscale shopper. Truly an outstanding value!

Monday, May 3, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 Noon - THE GRAND ROCHESTOUR: Explore the best of Rochester with a tour of our mansion, museum, art, retail, historic and cultural districts with stops at the famous High Falls Park and Lamberton Conservatory.

Tuesday, May 4, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. - THE SPECIALTY SHOPPING ROCHESTOUR/ THE IRONDEQUOIT MALL: Our shopping tour takes us to the Irondequoit Mall, the newest and most exciting fashion center in the Rochester area. This magnificent two level mall has 114 exciting stores! The mall's outstanding interior features dramatic skylights, a Fountain Court, Carousel Court, plus a beautiful mall-wide display of exotic trees!

The Grand Lodge mailing covering all of these tours has included a special registration form which should be returned to the Masonic Service Bureau of Rochester.

Grand Master's Dinner

The Grand Master's Dinner on Monday, May 3rd, will be held in the Riverside Convention Center. At this dinner, the Grand Lodge 1993 Distinguished Achievement Medal will be pre-

sented to Ill.: and W.: Norm Crosby, 33°, the well known comedian. A more complete biography appears elsewhere in this edition.

A reception with a cash bar will be held from 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. This will be followed by dinner at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$29.00 per person and are available by sending in your reservation form or obtained through your District Deputy. Make up a table from your Lodge, group of Past Masters, Purple Club, Grand Lodge Committee Members, etc. Seating is 10 per table.

This Grand Master's Dinner is open to ALL MASONS, LADIES AND GUESTS. Let's have a great turnout to provide an "Empire State Welcome" to W.: Norm Crosby.

Displays

The Annual Communication will feature displays from various Grand Lodge Committees, as well as special one time only "Commemorative Souvenirs": pins, mugs, patches, and caps.

RESERVATION FORMS

PLEASE RETURN RESERVATION FORMS FOR HOUSING, MEALS, AND TOURS IN A TIMELY MANNER IN ORDER THAT YOUR HOST COMMITTEE CAN PROVIDE PROPER ARRANGEMENTS. THIS IS IMPORTANT! (RESERVATION FORMS ON PAGE 15.)

For more information, consult your mailing from Grand Lodge or contact the Grand Lodge Convention Committee through R.: W.: Ronald D. Mertens, Chairman, 518 Merchants Rd., Rochester, NY 14609 (716-482-0994).

Fund Drive to Benefit Son of Batavia Lodge No. 475 Master



James Klinkbeil

By W.: Robert F. Dagen
Jim Klinkbeil, son of W.: Michael Klinkbeil, Master of Batavia Lodge No. 475, is suffer-

ing from "Chronic Myelogenous Leukemia", a life threatening disease.

As of this writing, Jim has undergone a stay at Strong Memorial Hospital where he has received extensive chemotherapy in an effort to put the disease into a state of remission. This will allow his body to function and prepare him for a bone marrow transplant which will give him the opportunity to live a normal life.

Expenses

Obviously, extensive treatments will probably be required in the future in an effort to make this a reality for Jim. The expenses which have already mounted for treatments received will be an

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Editor's Corner

I was re-reading a letter penned by our most recent Past Grand Master, M.-W. Richard P. Thomas in which he touches on one of the subjects mentioned in last month's column.

In this letter he cites a passage from the Book of Constitutions (c367). In this section reference is made to the minimum requirements for unaffiliating a Brother for nonpayment of dues.

"Such unaffiliation shall not take place until an investigating committee appointed by the Master has made an investigation as to the reason for nonpayment of dues and reported the same to the Lodge."

Have we been adhering to the letter of the Grand Lodge Constitution?

Grants

There is an informational article in the latest issue of the Kodakery. It explains a program of grants that will be given to non-profit organizations for whom Kodak employees do volunteer work. The program is called, "Dollars for Doers". It will provide up to \$500 to Community based organizations, but is aimed at special service projects rather than annual operating support. Check it out!

More for authors

The former editor of the Times, Jay McCullough, suggests that I try one more time to get our authors to identify their copy.

It is interesting sometimes to get a piece of copy that does not have a name, organization, telephone number or any other kind of ID whereby we can tell where it came from. Then we all try to guess who wrote it and from whence it came. Yes, interesting but annoying.

So here goes; **PLEASE** write or type the name of the organization, author, and a telephone number at the top of your copy, when submitted for publication. That would certainly make life a lot easier for us here. The telephone number is for verifying facts or for discussing changes, if necessary. **THANK YOU!**

Hints on photos

Please try to get people to cozy up a little when taking group pictures. It makes it a lot easier to identify the people if we can enlarge it a little rather than having to shrink the reproduction to get everybody in. (We must contend with the limitations of column width).

It is also a good idea to get in close. The primary subject of the photo is then the center of attention, i.e. he fills the camera viewer without getting a waiter or centerpiece or another person's bald head shining in the foreground. □

W.- Norm Crosby

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Chairman for the Council for Better Hearing. He is a trustee of the "Hope for Hearing Foundation" at UCLA and was appointed by President Ronald Reagan as his special Ambassador for Better Hearing and Speech Month.

He has also been a heavy fund raiser and tireless worker for the City of Hope, the internationally famous hospital and medical research facility in Duarte, California. Crosby has served, for several years as the City of Hope's International Ambassador of Good Will.

Norm is also a National Ambassador for Childhelp USA, and joined First Lady, Barbara Bush in Washington, D.C. to launch National Child Abuse Prevention Month.

Charities

Over the years, Norm has hosted and played in numerous Celebrity Golf Tournaments for charity. Currently, he hosts the MDA Celebrity Golf Classic in Industry Hills (Los Angeles) in April of each year; the Norm Crosby Annual City of Hope Tournament each October; and together with quarterback, Jim McMahon, he hosts an annual tournament in Texas which benefits the El Paso Children's Cancer Treatment Center.

"Walk of Fame"

In recognition of his achievements, both in comedy and as a humanitarian, the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce installed the Norm Crosby "Star" in Hollywood's Walk of Fame on February 24, 1982.

Victory Award

On November 18, 1991, Norm received the Victory Award from President George Bush at the Kennedy Center Awards Gala in Washington, D.C.

Family

Crosby lives in Los Angeles with his wife, Joanie, a former Radio City Rockette, and their two sons, Daniel and Andrew. (Courtesy R.-W.- Steve Whittaker, and biographical material - Ill.- H. Douglas Lemons, 33° S.M.J.) □

Klinkbeil Fund Drive

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ongoing item for Jim and his family to contend with.

We have an opportunity for each of us to do our part in tending to the needs of one of our Brethren who qualifies under "sickness and distress".

Donors needed

As witnessed by the "Christie Simonetti" ordeal, which made many headlines within the local media in her fight for life, not only is there a need for monies, but the more immediate need to locate a suitable bone marrow donor. This has many implications; namely, the need for prospective donors, the cost for testing those donors, and ultimately, finding a suitable match.

Same problem

Jim is undergoing the same set of circumstances in his fight to overcome his ordeal. Many organizations are involved in getting potential donors to come forth as well as conducting fund drives to offset the expenses involved.

Step forward and help

The Brethren of Batavia Lodge No. 475 are asking for your

assistance in this endeavor. If ever there was a time for each of us to come to the aid of a distressed Brother; it is now! Now is the time for all of us to do so. Donations may be made and information obtained by writing or calling the Secretary of Batavia Lodge as follows:

Robert F. Dagen
7521 Holley Rd.
S. Byron, NY 14557-0037
Phone No. (716) 548-7148
Please make all checks payable to: **Jim Klinkbeil Fund** and mail it to the above address.

More distress

W.- Bro. Michael Klinkbeil's wife, Jim's mother, we are sorry to report, passed away on Saturday March 13th. She had been a patient in the Intensive Care Unit at Genesee Memorial Hospital in Batavia. As you may plainly understand, Worshipful Brother Mike has many difficulties lying in his pathway which require the attention of all of his fraternal family, **WONT YOU HELP.** □

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By R.-W. David Clarke

You will remember that last month the column dealt with the period around the early 50's. Our history continues with a period shortly before the end of World War II. The position of President at this time was held by Henri P. Projansky, a well known Furrier in the City of Rochester. The Executive Directors (Secretaries) at this time were Erma A. Hughson (Executive Secretary/ Assistant Manager) from 1943-1946 and William J. Smith (Manager) from 1947 to 1956.

An interesting letter to the members of the Bureau published by the President in 1947, expresses the thinking and direction of the Bureau during this time period. "Your officers feel that this has been an interesting and eventful year. Our Report of Activities of one year ago told some of the plans for more comprehensive Service, not only to the Craft, but to the Community. Many of the contemplated plans are now in operation. You will recall that last year to give all who might be interested an opportunity to participate in the Bureau, the By-laws were amended admitting into membership in addition to the regularly appointed Representatives, all Masons and OES members upon payment of dues. We now have approximately 450 members. This increases our ability to give Service otherwise impossible. Close relationships have been established with many existing outside agencies and Employment Managers of Rochester Industries. The Project Committee will make a report early this Fall on a Youth Program which has been under consideration for some time. It is the ambition of your Board that the Bureau members will want to sponsor this or some

other worthy project."

My deep appreciation goes to the Grand Lodge and our Service and Rehabilitation Representatives, The District Deputy Grand Masters, each Committee, the Personnel of each Agency, to all members and representatives, and to my Board of Directors and to our Manager and Assistant Manager who so ably directed the activities. All have made their contribution to make this year outstanding in the history of the Bureau.

I found it quite interesting to view the Community Agencies that the Bureau worked with during this time period. A few are listed here for your information: Employment Personnel of all Rochester Industries, Members of Alcoholics Anonymous, Monroe County Welfare, NYS Employment Service, RIT, State Social Welfare, State Vocational Rehabilitation, United Educational Center, Veterans Administration and Guidance, and the Veteran Bureau of Information. Bro. Projansky also took the opportunity to thank his own Committees which I found interesting to compare with our Committees today. He thanked all the committees for a job well done.

The closing paragraph of his communication sums up the thinking of the Board at that time and it easily can reflect the spirit of the Bureau today. "However, the continuance of this noble work means that each one of you need to become a part of this great aiding arm of Masonry. Your membership in the Bureau assures its continued success and it must continue!

Take an active part in YOUR own organization, an organization we trust you will never need, but an organization we know thousands of our fellowmen will need for all time..."

Next month the history continues. Until then keep reading...! □

Masonic
Grand Lodge
Of the State of New York
Community Service
Committee

W.- Arthur Mason 1st Mon.
W.- Doug Spencer 2nd Mon.

By W.- Art Mason

Growing enthusiasm

It is refreshing to see a number of Lodges getting, or staying involved in Community service work. FlowerCityLodge No. 910 has become interested in the Adopt-a-Highway Program and will be responsible for a section of Monroe Avenue near the 12 Corners. Super effort!

ERAC Lodge No. 943 is gathering information and making contacts regarding the Child I.D. Program for the East Rochester Community. Feedback from police, firemen and civic leaders has been very encouraging.

Webster Lodge No. 538 is working out the details of assisting Webster Child Care Center with a fund raising effort by supplying the building and additional personnel. These are just 3 examples of the growing effort that is being shown by the Lodges in this county. With little money involved and little sweat equity, a difference can be made! □

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Service Bureau Notes



Be sure to visit the Service Bureau booth at the Grand Lodge Communication. We will have commemorative caps, pins and mugs with the Grand Lodge logo for sale at very reasonable prices, and remember, all proceeds will go to your Service Bureau. We look forward to seeing you there! □

New ideas

In addition to the above mentioned ideas, I have been contacted by 2 groups who are looking for help.

The 1st is ARTS REACH, an organization that helps human services programs in fundraising efforts. They are sponsoring a "ROCK 'N ROLLATHON" on April 29 from 6-9 p.m. at the Village Gate. They are looking for individuals or groups to sponsor participants who will rock in rocking chairs or roll in wheel chairs for local charities.

A worthy charity

One such charity is the Developmentally Disabled Elderly program at Regional Council on Aging. They provide a day care program for mentally retarded/developmentally disabled Senior Citizens in our Community. They need money for equipment and supplies to help their folks retain a quality of life which many have not had for most of their lives. Contact ARTS REACH at 482-6720 or Teresa Galbier at 454-3224.

Opportunities

United Way is also looking for individuals or groups who would be interested in volunteer opportunities either on a short or long term basis. They have an extensive list of things to do and people to work with that covers the gamut of experience. Call 454-1100 and ask for the Volunteer Connection. □

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Service Bureau C.S.C. Sells Chocolate Dollars for Al Sigl Center

By W.: Harold Bollotin, Chrmn.

Al Sigl Center
On Saturday, February 6, 1993, the Committee participated in the fund raising "Just One" Campaign for the benefit of the Al Sigl Center. We sold chocolate dollars at the Irondequoit Mall, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The booth was manned entirely by Masons and Ladies for the entire day. A list-

ing of all our volunteers was published in last month's issue.

Some photographs were taken at the time, but they were not processed in time for publication in the last issue.

25th Anniversary

On Sunday afternoon, April 4, 1993, this gala event will be held in the former Sibley Building on Main Street. Full details are published in another column of this issue.



(Left to right) W.: Harold Bollotin, Doris Robertson, R.:W.: Paul Robertson and Mary Wright



(Left to right) R.:W.: Mathew L. Gingold, R.:W.: Paul Robertson, Doris Robertson, W.: Courtland Young and Mary Wright

Al Sigl Center's 25th Anniversary Celebration Spectacular - Volunteers Needed

By W.: Harold Bollotin

What: Al Sigl Center's 25th Anniversary Celebration Spectacular.

Purpose: To celebrate 25 years of progress and service to the Community.

Goals: To heighten Community awareness of the Al Sigl Center, its agencies and the needs of children and adults with disabilities, and to thank the Community for 25 years of support.

Where: The former Sibley's Building on Main Street.

When: Sunday afternoon, April 4, 1993, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., on all three floors.

Program and events planned: A birthday party atmosphere to appeal to people of all ages. Planned events are circus performers, carnival games, sock hop, food court, music, and entertainers of all kinds, to take place on all three floors.

Volunteers needed

The Center is asking for entertainers and for volunteers to staff all the areas, or for any other assistance of a general nature.

Masonic Commitment

The Masonic Service Bureau has been committed to participate in this event as a Community

Service project. It is open to all Masons, their ladies, and ladies of related organizations. Friends, family and relatives shall also be welcome.

Benefits to be derived

Not only will you receive satisfaction from engaging in a very worthwhile activity, but in addition, the credit will go to the Masonic Service Bureau in particular, and to the Fraternity in general. This is a great opportunity to bring the name of Masonry to the general public. It should provide us with favorable publicity, as it has been emphasized to the management of the Al Sigl Center that we are Masons engaging in one of our many Community Service projects.

Committee contact

If you are interested in offering your services as a volunteer, please contact me as soon as possible. We need your help. Let's have a good representation. Free parking will be available at the Mortimer Street Garage. Enter the Sibley Building through the second floor skyway.

W.: Harold Bollotin, Chrmn.
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342-5865

**Masonic
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District Chairmen**

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Neil Laundry 964-2135

2nd Monroe
Glenn A. Hedges 586-0238

By Neil Laundry

We have scheduled a Downtown Temple meeting for 2:00 p.m. on April 25, 1993, for the purpose of finalizing the committee's plans for 1993/94. If you are the representative to the Inter-Lodge Fellowship Committee from your Lodge, or the Master of a Lodge having no Rep, we hope that you will make every effort to attend this important meeting.

Successful event

Our "Evening with the Harlem Globe Trotters" on March 23rd was a great success. Bro. Hedges had to order a second batch of tickets, as the first ones sold out in no time.

Think Spring

June 5, 1993 is the date of our Annual Inter-Lodge Golf Tournament. We're hoping that the Masters of the Monroe Districts' Lodges will promote this event, in addition to or in conjunction with, individual Lodge Summer outings. What a great chance to set up an annual challenge cup with that Lodge across town.

Winter beauty

Glenn has made bus arrangements for a December 4, 1993 visit to the Niagara Falls Festival of Lights with a day excursion, including shopping and lunch at the Galleria Mall, a leisurely visit to the Rainbow Mall, and, of course, the beauty of the illuminated Falls at night.

We are already planning a 1994 Rochester Americans Nite at the Community War Memorial for a year from now!

Your help appreciated

Our special thanks go to the Masters of Lodges who were so helpful in preparing a current list of Lodge Representatives to this committee. We would really appreciate your help in keeping those reps up to date and active. We have limited our meetings to three per year, and one hour in duration. With your help we'll truly be able to promote Inter-Lodge Fellowship in the Monroes! Please encourage your reps to attend.

Remember-April 25th at 2:00 p.m.

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By W.: William R. Lindsay
Revision

At our most recent meeting, we were pleased to have W.: Scott Seltzer join us. W.: Scott has been charged with the task of redesigning the "School of Lodge Administration". Based on much feedback from the October seminar, it is clear that this is a need felt by many of our younger Brethren who are in, or will be moving into line in their Lodges. The previous "School", offered several years ago, will be used as a starting point for the design work. The final offering will be shaped by the "total quality Masonry" theme developed by Grand Lodge.

Needs

The Bureau is still very much in need of an overhead projector and a 4 drawer filing cabinet. Does anyone out there have one, or know where we can put our hands on one at a reasonable cost? The fact is we have many course materials that are being stored in several different locations and we need to get them together in one place for effective operation. The projectors have been borrowed as needed, a much appreciated, but cumbersome and time consuming process. We will put it in the Library for everyone to use.

Grand Lodge

The Bureau is in the business of creating educational opportunities for Brothers in the Monroes and nearby. No greater opportunity to learn has presented itself than to attend Grand Lodge on May 3rd and 4th at the Convention Center. There will be a visitor section while in session. The best opportunity to enjoy Grand Lodge will be to attend the Grand Master's Dinner on May 3rd. At the dinner, W.: Norm Crosby will receive the Grand Master's Achievement Award. The dinner promises to be excellent and program, fun-filled. Tickets are available from all Masters. Hope to

see every Lodge in the Monroes well represented. After all, we are the Hosts to the rest of the State! Service

The Bureau of Masonic Education exists for the purpose of serving the interests of the Lodges and Brethren. We would be very willing to visit Lodges and do presentations about our programs, invite Lodges to the TCC to tour the Library, or work with officers to plan educational programs. If you have an interest, speak to one of the officers or members of the Bureau. Better yet, come to one of our meetings.

Future meetings

May 19 - Entry Level Course
September 29 - Continuing Education Course

Gable to Speak on Theodore Roosevelt at Livingston Masonic Library & Museum

The Chancellor Robert R. Livingston Masonic Library & Museum is proud to announce that on Tuesday, April 6, 1993 at 7:30 p.m., as part of its Spring Lecture and Film Series, Dr. John Gable will be speaking on "Brother Theodore Roosevelt": His Life in Politics". The Livingston Masonic Library & Museum is located on the 17th floor of the Masonic Hall, corner of Sixth Avenue and 23rd Street in Manhattan.

Biographical note

Dr. Gable is the Executive Director of the Theodore Roosevelt Association, and is one of the leading scholars on the life of Theodore Roosevelt, who, as well as being President of the United States, was a member of the Grand Lodge F&AM of the State of New York.

This program is free and open to the public. For more information, contact William D. Moore, Director of the Livingston Masonic Library & Museum, 71 West 23rd Street, New York, NY 10010-4171 or call (212) 741-4505.

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7th Annual Widows' Luncheon Great Success

By R. W. George Simon

Three hundred and fifty members of the Masonic family gathered together for the 7th Annual Widows Luncheon at Logan's Party House on Saturday, February 27, 1993.

Gifts presented

"Always dear in our hearts" are the 235 widows honored at this event according to R. W. George Simon, Chairman of this year's Annual Luncheon. Each attending Widow was presented with a Widow's Pin and commemorative glass.

Sponsorship

This annual event is sponsored by the Masonic Service Bureau of Rochester, New York, Inc.

Master of Ceremonies

R. W. Ronald D. Mertens, Past Junior Grand Warden of Masons in the State of New York, was Master of Ceremonies. R. W. Gary R. Henningsen, Deputy Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York, was the guest speaker. The entertainment offered by Brothers Mark Phillips and Nate Shafer was most enjoyable.

Committee

The success of this luncheon was due to the efforts of the com-



R. W. Gary Henningsen, Deputy Grand Master, and Featured Speaker with R. W. Ron Mertens, Past Junior Grand Warden.



Our Honored Guests enjoying convivial conversation during Lunch at Logan's (Photos Courtesy R. W. George Simons)

mittee members, namely: R. W. George Simon, Chairman, R. W. A. Wayne Engbrecht, Vice Chairman, R. W. William Baldwin, R. W. Donald Leisten, and R. W. Robert Rudman, W. Ted Honea, W. Terry Wihlen and the support of the Masonic Service Bureau, of which R. W. Robert C. Pettit is the Executive Director. The Masonic Service Bureau has supported the Widows' Luncheon since 1987.

"May the Widows always walk in sunshine with a smile on their faces and a twinkle in their eyes."

Warm Memories of Masonry

The following appeared in the Ann Landers column in the Rochester's *Democrat and Chronicle*, and it was suggested by R. W. Ron Mertens that it might be of interest to our readers.

The column appears to have been written in response to a letter written by a relative of a deceased Mason. The letter involved with interring a body wearing jewelry. The writer said, "A heap of bravos to you for telling 'Tears in Springfield', that it makes no sense to bury a person with jewelry on. You then went on to say...it was too bad his father was buried wearing his Masonic ring because that ring would have been a cherished heirloom for a son, grandson or nephew."

"I always admired my grandfather's Masonic ring. He told me when I was a teenager that I would inherit that ring one day, but I would have to 'earn' it - that it wasn't just a piece of jewelry. He passed away when I was 22.

I remembered my grandfather's words and became a Mason when I was 30 years of age. I am now wearing his ring, which will go to my eldest son, but like me, he too, will have to earn it. Thank you Ann for reviving some wonderful memories. - Rochester, N.Y."

Ann Landers answered "What a heartwarming letter. I have heard from hundreds of Masons these past several days and each has a different story to tell...From Chattanooga, TN: I am proud to be the daughter of a 33° Mason. My Mother is a member of the Eastern Star. My two brothers belong to DeMolay. The Masons raise millions of dollars for hospitals and have done a lot to help victims of floods, fires and hurricanes. I hope you will print this. I am 11 years old. Riverside, CA: There were four girls in our fam-

ily. I was the only one to join Job's Daughters, an organization for girls whose fathers were Masons. When Dad died, Mom took his Masonic ring and put it away. On my 30th birthday, she gave it to me. That ring means more to me than anything I own.

Baltimore: I was married in 1969. It was a beautiful wedding and I wore the traditional gown and veil. When the minister instructed my future husband to place the ring on my finger, his best man turned white as a sheet. For some mysterious reason, the ring was not in his pocket. After what seemed to be an eternity, my father who was standing behind me, took off his ring and handed it to the best man. It was the Masonic ring that he had worn for years. My fiance put it on my finger, and we were pronounced man and wife.

Dallas: My father was a Mason for over 30 years. He died last May at age 92. My 23-year-old grandson went through the three degrees of Masonry this past Fall. On the night he received his Master Mason Degree, I was there to present to him, my Dad's Masonic ring. In a Masonic Hall filled with men of all ages, there were many tears as I slipped the ring on his finger. My brother and I just know our Dad would beam with pride to know his greatgrandson is wearing his ring today." (From the *Democrat and Chronicle*)

A Mighty Warrior is Wounded

The cause

Those of you who frequent the Downtown Temple may have wondered why the Old Moehler Organ in Cathedral Hall was not in operation. Well, it seems that the roof in the area over the "solo chamber", that's the collection of pipes to the right of the stage, had developed a leak. Before the leak was found and repaired considerable water had cascaded down onto the ceiling over this collection of pipes.

The result

Unfortunately, the ceiling could no longer hold on to the lath and the plaster came crashing down causing the damage shown in the accompanying photos.

The valves, or leathers, as they are called, in the wind chests, need to be replaced and the debris must be removed before any repair can be accomplished. Hopefully, all will be covered by insurance.

This organ, although of great sentimental value to all who have heard it through the years, is 64 years old. The staff (John Zona) has kept this instrument going with spit and bailing wire for quite some time now. Its age is showing. More and more repairs are needed to keep it in service.

What to do

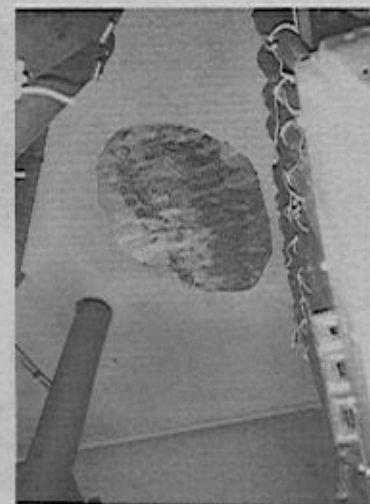
The repair of the solo chamber, although covered by insurance, would only revitalize one fourth of the organ. The other three quarters still should be reconditioned in order to put it in good working order.

Preliminary estimates on the repairs range from \$30,000 to \$65,000. When you consider that this is but one quarter of the cost necessary to restore the instrument, you can get some idea of the total cost for this job.

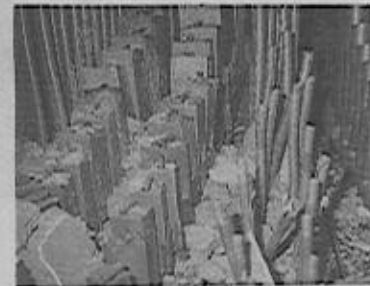
The organs in the Lodge rooms are part of the building

and therefore are no longer our (the Masons) concern alone. One wonders then, if the owners of the building will be willing continue to keep such a maintenance intensive piece of equipment when perhaps a cheaper, less bothersome instrument would suffice.

The final resolution of this enigma will be dealt with by the T.C.C. and the Saucke brothers, but, until that time, the solo chamber has been sealed off from the rest of the organ and it can be played with almost all of its former gusto.



Ceiling of "Solo Chamber", showing missing plaster



Damaged "Solo Chamber", right of stage, Cathedral Hall, Moehler Organ



Undamaged pipe ranks, "Swell Chamber" (Photos Courtesy, *Masonic Times*)

Masonic Service Bureau, Home Care Equipment

The move

In case you haven't noticed, the Home Care Equipment of the Masonic Service Bureau has moved. This move occurred coincidentally with the construction of the new mini-kitchen attached to the third floor dining room. These two rooms were built by John Zona.

The photos accompanying this article show the storerooms where this equipment is kept.

Clean-up

Over the past few months, since the move, several people have answered the plea for help in cleaning up this equipment and putting it back in useful shape. The chores were shared by Vernon Goodrich, myself, and Leon VanHuben at first. Some new additions to the work force are Jack Grover and Bob Ogden. Vern, Jack and Bob are from Craftsman Lodge No. 969.

More help needed

Although the equipment is in fairly good shape at the present time, when borrowed, it not al-



Guests at the Head Table, 6th Annual Widows' Luncheon, Logan's Party House



R. W. Gary Henningsen, Deputy Grand Master and Grand Lodge Officers of the Monroes, greeting widows

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Store room off the Masonic Service Bureau Office, this is where equipment is held for loan or after return or prior to cleaning



New Storage room and work area for cleaning and repair of "Home Care Equipment", (Photos Courtesy, Masonic Times)

ways returned in good shape. I am sure all would agree that we should not lend this equipment to the general public in a less than satisfactory condition. After all, we are known by the impression we give to the Community.

If you have a few hours a week to give to this effort, please contact the Service Bureau any day between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. □

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]

In many cases it takes a financial crisis of major proportions to convince families of the importance of budgeting and tracking their expenditures.

When bills pile up and income is decreasing, then and only then do a large number of families start a system, but it does not have to be like that.

Starting and keeping a budget is a fairly easy chore and simple, once you get the hang of it.

A budget is a plan for managing your household expenses for a period of time, say a year. It is best to have a realistic plan, since it is the easiest one to follow.

Most families just assume that if their expenses are less than their income, everything is OK, but that is not necessarily the case.

There is an old saying that you cannot see a verbal agreement!! This is not only true, but makes a

case for writing it down.

We have a budget program that we think is pretty good, and it can be utilized with a computer or by hand. If anyone is interested in learning more about it, give me a call. My advice does not carry a dollar charge.

My suggestion is for every family to contact a good financial planner and start a budget and a financial plan. It is not too late whatever your age is. Anyone who is not doing this is making a horrible mistake. It is just the same as a person with chest pains, trying to doctor himself.

There are many items to investigate such as Social Security, how to position your investments, selecting the proper life and health insurance, making choices regarding your pension and other retirement plans, are you in the right home, and many more. □

Distinguished Community Service Award Nominee Selection

It has been brought to the attention of this Editor by Linda Zahn, last year's Chairperson of the Selection Committee, that one of the impediments to full participation in the "Annual Interfaith Service and Breakfast" may have been the uncertainty in the minds of some as to whom the recipient(s) of the Distinguished Community Service Award was or were to be.

Bob Zahn, this year's Chairperson, suggests that the names of nominees, as well as complete resumes, be submitted in a complete and timely fashion. This will allow the committee to have an opportunity to make an informed decision. The deadline for nominations is June 30, 1993.

Every Lodge and Concordant Body is encouraged to submit the name of a nominee, but complete information and supporting material must be submitted with the nomination.

The nomination may be for a Mason or non-Mason. If the Committee feels that there is a worthy recipient in each category, two awards will be given. All nominations are to be sent to the Monroe Masonic Service Bureau in care of the Selection Commit-

tee by the deadline, listed above.

There will then be plenty of time to announce the recipient(s) name and get it into the *Masonic Times* so that all will be aware of the decision of the Committee. □

Read This and It Will Make You Laugh

By Charles Goldsmith, Staff reporter for the *Wall Street Journal*
Sometimes it does all get lost in the translation - "Please leave your values at the front desk," says a sign at the Paris hotel. At a Japanese hotel, "You are invited to take advantage of the chambermaid." A Zurich hotel advises: "Because of the impropriety of entertaining guests of the opposite sex in the bedroom, it is suggested that the lobby be used for this purpose."

A Swiss eatery proudly warns, "Our wines leave you nothing to hope for." By any and all means, avoid the Acapulco hotel that gives new meaning to quality control: "The manager has personally passed all the water served here."

Excellent child-care benefits in Norway don't extend to the cocktail lounge where "Ladies are requested not to have children at the bar."

From Moscow: "You are welcome to visit the cemetery," reads a sign in the hotel across the street, "where famous Russian and Soviet composers, artists and writers are buried daily except Thursday." Bucharest bluntness: "The lift is being fixed for the next day. During that time we regret that you will be unbearable."

Clothing signs can also be un-fitting. A Swedish furrier: "Fur coats made for ladies from their own skin." A Paris shop advertises, "dresses for streetwalking." And a Rhodes tailor wants early orders for Summer suits, "because in a big rush we will execute customers in strict rotation."

But, who needs clothing? "Drop your trousers here for best results," suggests a Bangkok dry cleaner, while a laundry in Rome says: "Ladies, leave your clothes here and spend the afternoon having a good time." Nearby a Roman doctor with manifold talents: "Specialist in women and other diseases." □

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Rochester Forest No. 133

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Donald C. Bell
Grand Tall Cedar



Robert J. Nichols
Senior Deputy Grand Tall Cedar

Angelo DiCataldo
Junior Deputy Grand Tall Cedar

Leonard A. Latta, Scribe

Don Bell, Grand Tall Cedar

We were glad to learn that R.W. Lou DiJames and his wife Barbara were okay after their accident while on their trip to Florida. It was also good to see our Past Grand Tall Cedar, Tom Hueston, getting around again after his recent bout with the flu.

April meeting

Our April 22nd meeting will be the Official Visit of our Tall Cedar Foundation Trustee, Paul Kober, Jr. Bro. Paul has put a lot of effort into Tall Cedarism over the years. He was initiated in 1959, and is a Past Grand Tall Cedar, having served in that office in 1961.

Our April meeting is also scheduled to be a rehearsal for the "Royal Court" Degree. All parts will be read, and direction conducted, on the floor. This will be an excellent opportunity for all you Tall Cedars to participate in the building of your personal skills as communicators, as well as your Forest's repertoire. □

Outstanding Testimonial

From the Masonic Forum on CompuServe, a young lady, a former Rainbow Girl, now a member of the OES said: "There have been many times when I have been away from home and in need of help or information, and my first instinct is to look for a man wearing a Masonic ring. Those things are precious in our fragmented society and we must do all we can to preserve them". (Courtesy The Philalethes) □

More Information Sought



By Donald G. Moore

The Jewel

The above picture of the "Master's Jewel" is typical of the Jewel worn during the early days of Masonry in this country (actual jewel not shown). We use the terms "this country" and "early days" because of the date on this one, which is April 12, 1875. It belongs to Bro. Pat Mammano.



Brother Pat Mammano

This Jewel was presented to PM Henry Sheaff by Charities Lodge No. 297 on April 12, 1875. Engraved on the face is an apron with the Lodge number, Holy Bible, "Squair" and "Compass". On the flap of the apron are the letters AYM. A maul and "trowl", cabletow and the square make up the border with the forty seventh problem of Euclid suspended from the apex of the square.

If anyone has any additional information on this Jewel, Bro. Mammano would be more than glad to receive it. Stop by and he will show it to you, time permitting. Also, if any of the Brothers out there know where the named Lodge might have been located, please let one of us know. □

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Membership Retention When Does It Begin?

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

392-5583

My article last month was supposed to be titled, "WHERE WILL YOUR LODGE BE IN THE YEAR 2000?" Somewhere between you and me, the title was changed. In that article, I wrote about membership development and its effects on a Lodge, particularly emphasizing the "Brother Bring a Friend Night" program. There is another area of membership that needs attention. That subject is membership retention.

In my experience in Masonry, membership retention usually started when a Brother was about to be dropped for nonpayment of dues. Letters would go out and phone calls would be made, sometimes to no avail. We then would sit back and wonder why.

When does it begin

Membership retention begins at a new Brother's 4th meeting. That's right, the meeting right after the 3rd Degree. Some might even say right after the 1st Degree.

Shepherding program

From the beginning, the new Brother should be assigned to an experienced and motivated Brother. This idea has been called "Shepherding". This Brother will sit next to the new Brother at Lodge meetings and familiarize him as to the functioning of a Lodge. There is nothing more disturbing and possibly discouraging to a new member than sitting on the sidelines wondering what is going on and sometimes embarrassing himself. Conversely, what could be more encouraging to the new Brother than someone taking him by the hand, introducing him to the other Lodge members, telling him about the activities of the Lodge, letting him witness the fellowship and the fun, and most important, instructing him on what Masonry is all about.

Good program

Membership retention also begins with good programs. These programs should be made considering the age, backgrounds

and interests of all the Brothers. Why not have a program on a non-meeting night for different age groups? How about having a program or a Degree on a Saturday afternoon so that some of the Brothers who do not like to go out at night can attend. Think about an activity that involves our Sisters in the Eastern Star or our youth groups. The possibilities for good programming and resulting good attendance are endless. We must also have programs that include our families, friends, and the general public. Our immediate families allow us the time to partake in our Masonic endeavors and therefore should be included in program planning. Public awareness is essential and programs should be made with the public in mind. Good programming is the responsibility of the Master and his Officers but YOU should let the leaders of YOUR Lodge and YOUR District know what you like to see.

A lot of time and effort are invested in membership development. It must be followed up by membership retention programs such as the "Shepherding" program and programs which involve all the Brothers.

Congratulations

To all those involved in the planning the Widows' Luncheon and a special thanks to all the drivers.

To O-AT-KA Lodge who presented the DeWitt Clinton Award to Mr. Donald J. Merritt who passed away last year. Don's wife, Ronalee accepted the Award for her husband. He was active in the Scottsville Lion's Club, having been its President and Director. He was honored with many Lion awards such as Lion of the Year and International Fellowship Award. He was also active in many Community functions such as a drug awareness program and the Scottsville Fire Co. The Lodge room was filled with family members, and members of the Lions Club and Scottsville Fire Co. □

Grand Steward

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



R..W.. Robert F. Sanford
292-6393

All Master Masons Welcome

If you haven't gotten your tickets for the Grand Master's Dinner on May 3rd, at the Rochester Riverside Convention Center, it isn't too late. This is open to all Masons, their wives and friends. Some Brothers may never have another opportunity to attend such an affair. Remember, Grand Lodge Sessions are open to all Master Masons this year, not just the Master.

Visit

Have you visited another Lodge lately? It is a nice way to

meet new Brothers and make new friends, especially for the Lodge officers. The Masters and Wardens should attend the Masters and Wardens meetings each month.

Ads

For those of you who didn't run any Masonic Ads in the Fall, Grand Lodge has extended the ad program through April. You must receive approval from Grand Lodge before you run any ads. Remember, Grand Lodge will pay 75% of the cost.

Elections

Don't forget that you will elect new officers on your first meeting after Grand Lodge in May. This must be a summons meeting, with installation before the end of June. It has come to my attention that some Lodges have not sent in their Annual Reports to Grand Lodge. Is your Lodge one of them?

New Brothers

Please welcome your newly raised Brothers to your Lodge. Let them know what the Lodge is doing and what they can do if they wish. Don't lose them because they don't know anyone or what they can do to get involved in the Lodge.

St. John's Day

If you haven't been to the Masonic Home in Utica, why don't you get a group together and go on St. John's Day Weekend, June 19th. Bring your new members and their families. □

have them as members of our Lodge (bragging rights, you know).

1st Degree

Hats off to the Officers for a fine job with the 1st Degree. A special well done to Bro. Randy Griswold for his work with the answers. This was his first Ritual work in the Lodge. Keep up the good work, Bro. Randy.

Future events

The months ahead are extremely packed with exciting events at the Lodge. On April 1, W. Richard Friedman, A.G.L., 1st Monroe District, will be our guest speaker. He is one of the best in the county. April 15 will be our 3rd Degree with dinner beforehand.

Annual Spaghetti Dinner

The month of May not only means pretty flowers but also our annual Spaghetti Dinner on May 6th. This year, Rochester Chapter of DeMolay will put on the dinner. Please come and help these fine young men fatten their treasury by fattening our waist lines. The Jr. Warden would not be happy if we didn't mention Ladies Night on May 8th.

Grand Lodge

As most of you know, this year's Grand Lodge Annual Communication will be held in Rochester. On the evening of May 3rd, come and join the Gala Event of the year...the Grand Master's Dinner. It will be held at the Rochester Riverside Convention Center. Let's see that Northfield is one of the Lodges that has their own table at the affair. See the Senior Warden for tickets.

Thought for the month

May your Easter and Passover Holidays be filled with family, friends and joy!!! □

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By W.. Scott Seltzer

April

April - no more snow.
No wind chill factor
Thank God!!!
No more salt.
No more plough.
Let's get out the
Fishing rod!!!
Enough of shovels
And melting snow banks.
For a new Spring breeze
Let's give thanks.

Spring is on the way

We hope a cheerful little poem will fit in with your Spring. Old Man Winter kept the Master from our March 4th meeting. Bro. John Dudley stepped into the East and handled the duties very well. Soon he will be there for a longer spell.

Honorary Members

R..W.. Raymond Beardsley also filled in as M.C. for our Honorary Member night on short notice. No need to report on his professionalism as it is always exemplary. Congratulations to R..W.. Paul Spillane and R..W.. George Simon as our new Honorary Members. We are proud to

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By W.. Norman Johnstone

Programs

The Financial Planning program presented by R..W.. Gerald Glaser was indeed informative and educational. Henceforth, I will follow his monthly article, "Financial Planning Solutions", in the *Masonic Times* more closely.

Some may think financial planning is for the young and pre-retirement crowd, and it is, but it is also for those who are already retired. In fact, it makes a great hobby. Someone once said, "If you're going to develop a hobby, why not develop one that pays rather than costs". A good philosophy!

At our next meeting, April 13th, W.. Rich Friedman will talk on the subject of the "2nd Degree in the 21st Century". I'm not sure just what to expect, but having heard W.. Bro. Friedman talk on many subjects, I know it will be a spellbinder and one that every Brother will be the better for having heard it.

"Bring a Friend"

Our Spring "Bring a Friend Night" was not successful. I believe a good program was planned, probably our best to date. More time in planning may help, but one thing is certain - we all need to be involved in inviting prospective candidates. We will work on this in the coming months.

Fellowcraft

On March 2, the Fellowcraft Club met at Denny's for an excellent dinner and meeting. The attendance was low in spite of reminders the Secretary sent out to the members. If you have any suggestions on how we can increase attendance, please contact any of the Club or Lodge Officers.

Special Days/Birthdays

A special congratulations to the following Brothers who celebrated birthdays last month: Bro. John Cromarty, 3/2; Bro. Louis Timm and Bro. Jim Tulloch, 3/4; Bro. Charles Westfall, 3/9; Bro. Richard Daly, 3/13; Bro. Jim Thomas, 3/14; W.. Gary Mastrella, 3/17; Bro. Sam Street, 3/22; Bro. George Plumb, 3/27; Bro. Harry Leeming, 3/29.

Have a Heart-Buy a Heart

Again, all of us who participated in raising money for the Ronald McDonald House at Marketplace Mall had fun and a very successful time. Total receipts were \$7,200.00. A special thank you to all who participated.

Widow's Luncheon

The Widow's Luncheon for the Monroes and surrounding areas was a huge success. A special thanks to W.. Ted Diehl for his part in making it a good day. I would encourage all Brothers to attend next year. It is very uplifting for the soul. □

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By Robert F. Ogden

"Bring a Friend Night"

Several Craftsman members and their ladies thoroughly enjoyed a "Bring a Friend Night" sponsored by Hiram Chapter. Marie West provided pleasant organ music. She was followed by Jerry Argetsinger with his many fantastic tricks. EHP Vernon Goodrich presented the program and festivities with the assistance of Dave Jones. A delicious Meat Loaf Dinner preceded the entertainment.

Condolences

Our deepest sympathies go out to the family of Bro. Herman E. Eggiman who passed away on March 10th.

We apologize

Our apologies to W.: Charles Walker for omitting his name under the Officer's List in the February issue - sorry about that Bro. Chuck.

Ladies Night

We are looking forward to Ladies Night on March 27th at the Gateway Center. Bro. Jack Grover has received 23 reservations so far.


Happy Birthday

Birthday greetings to our Brothers who were born in March: Dick Howard, Al Jenstch, Larry Weekes and Clyde Siverd.

Charlotte-Corinthian Lodge No. 1088

W.: Clifford W. Short, Master
225-0464

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



C. William Flemming, Secretary
723-0083

4550 Lake Avenue
Rochester, New York 14612

By W.: Clifford Short

Old Business

Greetings from the East. Now that Winter is coming to a close, Spring promises to bring warmer weather and a full trestle board of activities.

Unfortunately, the weather took its toll on our Second Degree. Dinner had to be cancelled, but we still had a good turnout of Brothers for the degree. JW Buzz Gorman did a great job from the East under the circumstances. My thanks to all who attended and filled in at the last minute, especially W.: Keith Stambach who filled in as Senior Warden on very short notice.

A great time was had by all who attended our annual brunch on March 31st at Braddocks Bay Park. Thanks to all the volunteers and the main organizer, JW Buzz Gorman.

New Business

On April 6th we will forgo the normal business of the Lodge in favor of **Bring a Friend Night**. Dinner will be served, followed by a program of presentations and short talks about our great Fraternity. I'm sure that everyone who attends will leave the Temple with new friends and a better understanding of the true meaning of Masonic fellowship. I urge every Brother to bring a friend to come and see who we are and what we stand for. The entire Fraternity will benefit and grow stronger as a result.


Dinner will be free for every Charlotte-Corinthian Brother who brings one friend. Reservations must be made by calling me at 225-0464 or W.: Mike Staub at 342-1947 no later than April 4th.

Our first Communication in May will be move-up night with SW Neil Laundry in the East. Please come out and support our great line of officers. By then we may even have some Brothers from their Winter getaways down South joining us.

In closing


Let me close by saying the more cement of fellowship we spread, the stronger our Fraternity will become. We should never hesitate to let others know that we belong to the greatest organization in the world, the Brotherhood of Masonry. I look forward to seeing you in Lodge. □

Towpath Lodge No. 163



W.: Raymond J. Kneppar, Master
H 385-4447
O 385-6470

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



R.: W.: Lawrence F. Geith, Secretary
328-5580

152 Commercial St. West
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By W.: Raymond J. Kneppar

Second Degree

Our 2nd Degree was a wonderful and well performed event that was enjoyed by all. By the time this article is read, the 3rd Degree will have already taken place. More about that in the next issue.

Brotherhood

Within the next 2 months, Bro. David Hockenberry will mail a letter to all our Lodge members requesting donations to the Masonic Brotherhood Fund. Please support this fund drive as generously as possible. Thank you for your much needed support.

Volunteer

We are still looking for Brothers to volunteer to place phone calls and make personal visits to our members that are confined to their homes. Please call me, W.: Ray Kneppar, if you desire to help a Brother in need. Thank you W.: Ed Hoak, W.: Bill Lindsay, and Bro. Claude Hyatt for driving people to regular meetings and the Widows' Luncheon. Unfortunately family commitments prevented my attendance, but many who participated in the Widows' Luncheon told me that they had a great time.

Programming

We have 2 regular meetings and 1 officers meeting scheduled

for April. The dates are April 6, 20, and 27 respectively. There are no dinners planned for this month. Parts 3 and 4 of the Lodge System of Education video will be played on the 6th and R.: W.: Maurice Solomon will speak on the 20th. All past Masters are invited to participate at the officers' meeting on the 27th.

Looking ahead

Please start submitting to our Secretary, the names of people you would like invited to the "Brother Bring a Friend" dinner and program on May 11th. Remember, our annual picnic will be held at Rand Lodge in Powder Mills Park on July 11th.


Let's hear from you

If you cannot attend Lodge, please write to our Secretary. Our Brothers truly enjoy hearing these communications read at Lodge meetings. □

O-At-Ka Lodge No. 759

W.: Laurence Blazey, Master
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2nd & 4th Wednesdays
7:30 P.M.



W.: James D. Scheerens, Secretary
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5 Browns Ave.
Scottsville, N.Y. 14546

By W.: Larry Blazey

On March 10, 1993, the DeWitt Clinton Award was posthumously presented in memory of Mr. Donald J. Merritt, who received the award for outstanding dedication to our Community. Present that evening were R.: W.: Joseph J. Privitera, District Deputy Grand Master and R.: W.: Robert Sanford, Grand Sword Bearer.

Also present were District Deputy Grand Matron Sue Ann Goossens and six officers of Oatka Chapter OES.

Scholarship Fund

Bro. Donald Tubman, who was instrumental in the selection of the nominee, gave this award to Donald Merritt's family. Don began the presentation before a group of over 60 people in our Lodge room that evening. The formal presentation was given by R.: W.: Joseph Privitera to Rona Lee Merritt, Donald's widow.

In addition, I presented Mrs. Merritt a check for \$100.00 from Oatka Lodge to go to a Scholarship Fund in memory of Don Merritt. After Mrs. Merritt thanked the Lodge, their daughter, Ms. Donna Ely, also thanked us for presenting this award to her father. I can't remember a larger gathering in our Lodge room. It was an evening which gave one the feeling that our Village finally knew what the Masons are all about.

Finances

I would also like to thank our Lodge members for sending in their dues, and to remind those who haven't done so, to please do so as soon as possible. If you haven't already contributed to the Brotherhood Fund, please contact Carmen Valleri with your contribution as soon as you can. □

GERMANIA Lodge No. 722

W.: Kenneth G. Kassel, Master
266-2026

1st Tuesday
7:30 P.M.



W.: John H. Foster, Secretary
467-1677

4275 Culver Rd.
Rochester, N.Y. 14622

By W.: Kenneth G. Kassel

A big night

April 6th will be our most eventful evening of this year. Come out for a Swiss Steak dinner to be served by Mae Bauer and her associates at 6:30 p.m. The Lodge will subsidize part of the cost, so take advantage of this! Reservations are required and I hope you will comply.

At 7:30 p.m. we shall be privileged to witness the Shrine Past Masters Degree Team as they exemplify the 3rd Degree. Every Brother can benefit from observing this work. Please attend and honor our new Brothers.

In appreciation

I really appreciate the fine work done by Senior Warden, W.: Doug Spencer, R.: W.: Don Krech and the other officers in conferring the 2nd Degree while I was on vacation. It's a great feeling to have such capable support.


Another party coming

By popular request, our Ladies Nite program will consist of a dinner at the Redmen's Club on April 17th at 7:00 p.m. This will be followed by bowling and cards at 8:30. This will be a good opportunity to invite prospective members to join us. Please call me at 266-2026 or W.: Dave Foster at 244-0194 for reservations. □

Union Star Lodge No. 320

W.: William Finch, Master
H 624-2651
(O 624-4080)

2nd Monday
7:30 P.M.



R.: W.: Paul Spillano, Secretary
624-3877 (Office 624-3840)

3 North Main St.
Honeoye Falls, NY 14472

By W.: Dennison Ripley

Fellowcraft

By the time you read this letter our recreation room will be finished, pool tables, card tables and furniture will be in place. We have accomplished a lot in a short time with only a few work parties and a lot of hard work. Thanks to Lloyd Wood for donating the cost of the ceiling, Steve Sullivan for the furniture and Joe Cotteleer for donating back to the Lodge, our old billiard table. Thanks to all the many members who worked so hard to make this possible. Also I would like to mention Lloyd's wife, Mickey and Joe's wife, Linda who worked a lot of hours helping out. Thank you both.

Second Degree

Our 2nd Degree with our Junior Warden in the East had to be postponed until March 22nd. We apologize for the change in dates.

Third Degree

The 3rd Degree will be held April 26th. Lodge will open at 6:00 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. and the Degree will start at 7:30 p.m. For dinner reservations, call Craig Emmons - 346-2719, Terry Hatch - 582-1485 or Bud Ripley - 624-1218. Our telephone committee will be in touch with you. Please try to attend. If any of our members need a ride to Lodge, please call me at 624-1218.

Village Days

Our Lodge will have the same booth we had last year and you will be contacted to help work. Please donate a few hours of your time. The monies we make from this booth is really needed and I guarantee that you will have a good time. □

Take Me As I Take You

It is rather difficult at times to accept things as they are. The realization that something is not what it seemed comes as a shock, but sometimes we view the matter from a perspective which is not used by another. There are bound to be differences in people, in how they act, think, work and co-operate with others. These things have caused books to be written and sermons delivered, but the effect in the long run has been that things as they are, work best. Perhaps this thought was in the mind of our yearly ritual writer when he said "Take me as I take You." Coming as it does in our presentation to the candidate, the members on the sidelines frequently do not think beyond the expression, and tie it up with the direct dialogue in which it is used, with no thought that it may have a deeper meaning.

This is true of every working tool we are taught to use. There is a symbolical meaning as well as an operative one. Sometimes there is also a spiritual meaning as well as an operative one. Sometimes there is also a spiritual meaning which goes beyond the symbolical and the operative, though of course it is tied in with what the Creator has made, but he is the only one of God's creatures who has a conscience. I doubt if a horse who has given away to impulse and kicked his trainer, has any idea of feeling sorry for the action. A child expresses sorrow at having done something to another, and a full grown man likewise is sorry for things he has done. These things are not far afield from the thought of "Taking me as I take you."

All our ritual and our symbolism builds up a basic feeling constant with nature's laws. Several times in our degree work we are told that we do ritualistically compromise no duty we owe to our fellowmen or to our Creator. Indeed to take someone else in the same vein elicits the thought that one man is as good as the next man, that both are equal to each other, and that as a member of our Order, each is the first among his equals. Freemasonry honors each of us by listing us as one of its members. We honor ourselves by having the impulse to belong. This is the basic thought in "Take me as I take you." All meet on the same level, and are squared by their actions, walking by the plumbline which Amos saw. B.E.M.

Courtesy of the Valley of Scranton, PA □

Churchville
Lodge No. 667

W. Garry Hutchurson,
Master
494-1395

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



R. W. Earl C. Steffen,
Secretary 392-8224
20 South Main St.
Churchville, N.Y. 14428

By W. Garry Hutchurson

March has been an exciting month for us as we had a lot happening. On March 24th, we raised 2 candidates. The Shrine Degree Team came to our Lodge to do the Degree work. Also that night, Richard Henderson gave an outstanding talk on the Damascus Shrine, what it is and what it stands for.

Welcome

We put four candidates through the First Degree, so we now have two classes. Dr. George Phleger affiliated with our Lodge, after being out of Masonry for over 20 years.

We hope that his lovely wife is doing better, as she is in Park Ridge.

2nd Degree

On April 15th we will be putting on a 2nd Degree. R. W. Don Leisten will be in the East, and Bro. Jon Deacon will do the Middle Chamber Lecture.

Best wishes

Robert Simons is recovering from radiation treatment and doing well in Florida. We wish him well.

Everyone have a great Easter and remember, always to look for Masonic light.

Apologies

By Donald Brugger

The picture that accompanies this article was to have been printed in the March issue of the *Masonic Times*, along with the historical article on LeRoy Lodge, which appeared on page 14. My apologies to W. Garry Hutchurson.



The reason it wasn't there is because at that time I was not sure what it was. I have since been educated. The photo is of the Steps in the Lodge room in LeRoy. If you look closely you

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will see, a series of three, five and seven steps, which as you know are of symbolic significance in one of our Degrees. To my knowledge, it is the only furniture of its kind in the immediate area. The stairs lead to a small balcony, but otherwise, go nowhere.

F A M E
Lodge No. 945
Chartered 1917

W. Dean F. Marsaw,
Master
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2nd & 4th
TUESDAYS
7:30 P.M.



Leon VanHueben, Secretary
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ROCHESTER, N.Y. 14622

By W. Dean F. Marsaw

Widows Luncheon

I want to thank W. Ken Rhodes for a job well done with the Widows' Luncheon while I was in the deep South.

We were very proud to be able to enjoy a wonderful afternoon with nine of our widow friends, but at the same time, we are sorry that all of our widows could not attend.

Comfort extended

It is with great sadness that I have to announce the passing of Bro. Woodrow Hagadish on February 20, 1993. Bro. Woodrow was raised June 7, 1962, making him a thirty-one year member in our great Fraternity.

Speakers and dinners

April 13 - Speaker: Bro. Don Lacy (Forgery) Poor Man's dinner (Macaroni and Cheese Pizza) \$5.00.

April 27 - Speaker: Lt. Mike Zodaracky (Fire Safety) Greece Ridge Department (Swiss Steak dinner).

Grand Master's Dinner - Monday evening May 3, 1993.

May 11 - Speaker Bill Petersen (Meteorologist Ch. 13) Poor Man's Dinner (Hamburgers and potato salad).

Brotherhood Fund

Please send in your contribution if you have not already done so.

Dues


If you have not done so, please try and take care of this important privilege of being able to belong to the greatest Fraternity in the World.

Check your smoke detector, they save precious lives.

John A. Robertson
Lodge No. 1032
Chartered 1924

W. Richard G. Gundry,
Master
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1st & 3rd
Mondays
7:45 P.M.



R. W. L. Edward Walker,
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By W. Richard Gundry

For all our Brothers down South, Rochester has had a Winter to remember. Let's hope Spring arrives soon.

At our last meeting, we had a great turn out. We watched a

video tape on "Bring a Friend Night" that gave us many ideas for our Lodge and its Membership Committee.

Reminder

This half term is almost over and we will have elections again in May.

Grand Lodge will be held in Rochester, May 3rd and 4th.

Thanks, Paul

R. W. Paul Robertson wrote a very nice letter last month about Brotherly love and what Masonry is all about.

Paul, thank you for your inspiration and help. People like you help make the World go 'round. My work keeps me very busy and I thank you all for understanding.

Help needed

Bro. Norm Gauch has reminded me that the Brotherhood Fund needs your help. Participation is down from last year, so if you can, please support this cause; it will be appreciated.

Think Spring

Our Ladies Night will be in the Spring this year, in May, when the good weather arrives.

Sickness and distress

Bro. Ken Dettinger's wife is in the hospital and we hope she is feeling better.

I am deeply sorry to bring you this news - W. Harry Ellender's wife, Ethel, passed away suddenly. Harry, our prayers and thoughts are with you.

See you all in Lodge.



FINGER LAKES CHAPTER

Ronald D. Mertens, President
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Richard C. Friedman, Secretary
H 377-6175 O 271-2775

By Jay McCullough, MPS

Booklets available

Pamphlets were prepared on the papers presented at the semi-annual feast of the Society held in Rochester last Fall. Copies have been distributed to those who attended the affair. There are copies remaining which can be purchased by contacting Fingerlakes Chapter Program Chairman R. W. William R. Zufall, 54 Girton Place, Rochester 14607-2113 (716-271-0795). The nominal fee is \$5.00, plus postage and handling.

Read what International President Wallace E. McLeod, FPS, has to say about "Freemasonry and Religion"; Forrest D. Haggard, FPS, International Vice-President on "Clergy and the Craft"; "Developing Life-long Master Masons" by Allen E. Roberts, FPS, International Executive Secretary and the making of the very professional video "Unseen Journey" by Michael Toth, MPS. Have your own copy as a reference to these topical subjects.

Convention booth

Members of the Fingerlakes Chapter should contact Chapter Secretary W. Rich Friedman, MPS, to offer some of their time as participants in manning the Society booth to be operational while Grand Lodge representa-

tives are in Rochester in May. We will have no better opportunity to make Masons aware of our presence as an associated Masonic body and research entity.

Chapter's guidance next year?

The nominating committee has a slate of officers for elected positions for the next term, consisting of: W. Bruce Chilton, MPS, President; W. William Lindsay, MPS, Vice-President; W. Richard C. Friedman, MPS, Secretary and W. Terry Wihlen, MPS, Treasurer.

As usual, nominations from the floor will also be entertained at our annual feast, now scheduled for Wednesday, June 23rd at the Maplewood, with dinner and attitude adjustment commencing at 6:30 p.m.

Books for sale

The Fingerlakes Chapter has a stock of Masonic books, copies of which you may call your own, if the price is right. Titles such as, "The Craft and its Symbols", "The Grand Design", "Key to Freemasonry's Growth", by authors Wallace McLeod and Allen E. Roberts. Contact the Chapter Secretary for details (Rich Friedman at 271-2775 or 377-6175). This is not an 'exclusive for members only' - anyone can make a purchase. How about acquiring some as gifts for Masonic friends and relatives?



By W. Clifford Laundry
What you missed

Bill Dworkin opened the February 1st meeting by complimenting the members for a fine attendance during such inclement weather. The Past and Present Lunch Club Officers were then introduced, including the Commander of the Legion of Honor, Jim Powell.

Among our donors on this Birthday Day was our Potentate, Dick Henderson.

Program Chairman, Fred Holderle, presented the speaker, W. Arthur H. Mason, CSW Director of the Regional Council on Aging. He was assisted by Kay Ford, CP Vice-President. They gave a very informative illustrated talk on "Seniors in Need of Help and Counseling".

At the February 8th meeting, Joe Minas, 1st Vice-President of the Club called Rt. Wthy. Charles C. Spiegel, Jr., Asst. Grand Lecturer, Monroe District and Ralph Biggar O.P.C. to the podium. Each was presented with a gift to show the Lunch Club's appreciation for their many years of service.

All the members of the Divan present were introduced by Bill Brown, the Potentate's Representative. Included with that group was PP Oscar Reber, 1991. Bill reminded us of the many events coming up. He placed special emphasis on the Shrine Circus.

Fred Holderle introduced the speaker, Jim Dierks, Trustee, NY State Museum of Transportation, which is 2 miles South of the

Thruway, just South of East River Road near Industry. Jim's description of the various cars and the way they were operated was very informative and interesting.

There were a few "old-timers" present who were around when the Interurban and Subway cars were still running in the 1920's-1930's.

Jim was given a vote of "Thanks" for making a fine addition to our Lunch Club's Fellowship.

February 15th was our Ladies Day and our President welcomed all the ladies present. Under sickness and distress, it was announced that Arnold Frear was going into the hospital for an operation. Bill Brown was with us as the Potentate's Representative.

The guest speaker for the afternoon was Bill Klein, Public Relations Director & Educational Reporter for WHAM, WVOR, and WHEC-TV 10. He gave a very interesting talk about some of the actors and actresses that he has known and seen during his career. It was a very enjoyable program. "Thanks, Bill."

The Potentate's Representative for the February 22nd meeting was Paul Spillane. Paul thanked the members of the Masonic Organization for their thoughts and prayers during his recent sickness.

Two other items he placed emphasis on were the need for an increase of membership and volunteer help for the Shrine Circus.

Libraries

Our Program Chairman, Fred Holderle, who has done a fine job selecting speakers for the month, then presented Richard Parz, director of Rochester Public Libraries. He told us of the need to increase the use of the Libraries by the Rochester public. He advocates the use of computers, to enable the staff to communicate with suburban branches. He also told us of plans to enlarge the system. The slides used to illustrate his talk showed evidence of the need for expansion.

We will watch the newspapers with interest to see if improvements are made. Thanks for the information, "Richard".

Remembrances

An acknowledgement was received from the Erie Hospital for the Memorial sent in honor of Dr. William A. MacVay. It was also announced that Erika Verthe had contributed to the 100 Million Dollar Club in memory of her husband, Paul, who was an officer of the Shrine Lunch Club.

April Programs

The April Program Chairman will be Stan Allen. The scheduled Events are as follows: April 5 - Jack Slattery (The World's Tallest Midget), April 12 - to be announced, April 19 - Bruce Coburn - Rochester Interfaith Jail Ministries, April 26 - J.C. Delass - Rochester Red Wings.

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**District Deputy Grand Master
For the Genesee-Wyoming District**

We farmers in the Genesee-Wyoming District have been making our plans and getting our equipment ready for the coming season. Our Lodges are clean and well painted, our degree teams are ready and there is a lot of good ground to cultivate.

Ask your friends

We are ready to let the Masonic light shine. The Cornerstone Laying Ceremony and the Drug Free School Zones program have introduced us to many very good young men. We now can have "Open Meetings" and let our light shine. I personally have been invited to seminars and meetings, where the Masonic order of business has been explained. Specifically, the authority of the gavel, the benefit of prayer, the pledge to the flag, sickness and distress, all of which have impressed those in attendance. When told that to join Masonry one must ask, heads go back, eyes open, and the sigh, "Oh, yes". I now distribute Q&A brochures.

Phase II

In the Genesee-Wyoming District membership Phase I-Sept. '92 to April '93, many Lodges are reporting 12, 13, or 14 new members to date. Now we are already looking to Phase II-May '93 to December '93, and Phase III-January '94 to June '94. Each phase action Lodge will receive a plaque noting their leadership in membership.

Working together

It is so unique that my wife, Rt. Wthy. Leone, and I are able to serve Masonry and the Order of the Eastern Star during our concurrent terms. We spend many hours at the kitchen table, encouraging each other, and seeing how our talents can be used to help make Masonry and the Eastern Star grow. We feel the more we give, the more we receive. We visit, and Leone plays for the guys at the VA Hospital in Batavia. We really enjoy our visits to Lodges and Chapters in the District and neighboring Districts.

We are very proud of Masonry, especially all the Concordant Bodies contributing over \$1,000,000 a day to charity. We are very proud that so many people of diverse backgrounds can meet on the level of Masonry in harmony. We feel that as a Mason, an Eastern Star, we have a responsibility to share our love, respect, and tolerance to all we meet. We are not reluctant to tell those we meet, we are members of the World's oldest and greatest Fraternity.

Grand Lodge

We are excited and thrilled that Grand Lodge is being held in Rochester May 1-4. Let's support the Grand Master at his Ball

on May 3rd with a large Genesee-Wyoming District turn-out.

Join the activities

I must encourage those Brothers and Sisters who have been sitting home-come to Lodge, come to Chapter. It's the fellowship, love and concern we have for you. There are a lot of Community programs sponsored by Masonry that you will be so proud to be associated with. There are and will be activities that many of you will want to be a part of. No excuses now!

I'll see you in Lodge, and Betty, I'll see you in July!

**Attica Lodge
No. 462
F. & A.M.**

W.. David
Buckheit,
Master
662-3917

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

R..W.. Donald Van Son,
Secretary 591-1390

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

By W.. Shawn Wright
Ladies Night

On April 7th, Attica Lodge will be holding a Ladies Night at the Lodge. All Masons and their ladies are cordially invited to attend. There will be a Chicken and Biscuit Buffet Dinner served at 6:30 p.m. The cost will be \$5.00 per person with the proceeds to benefit the Attica D.A.R.E. Program. Reservations for dinner are required by April 4th.

**Remember to send in your
Brotherhood Fund contributions.**

"TAKE TIME"

- Take time to work -
- It is the price of success
- Take time to think -
- It is the source of power
- Take time to play -
- It is the secret of perpetual youth
- Take time to read -
- It is the fountain of wisdom
- Take time to be friendly -
- It is the road to happiness
- Take time to dream -
- It is hitching your wagon to a star
- Take time to Love and be Loved-
- It is the privilege of the gods
- Take time to look around -
- It is too short a day to be selfish
- Take time to laugh -
- It is the music of the soul.

(Courtesy of the Valley of
Wilmington Delaware)

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Bearer**

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



R..W.. Kieth A. Granger

By Keith A. Granger

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Thank you

By the time this issue of the *Masonic Times* comes out, I will have completed all my Official Visits. I want to thank everyone for the warm welcomes that I received when I made my visits.

Get involved

I have given you some ideas on activities for your Lodges. I truly believe in getting the Community involved and also doing things for the children in the Community.

Masonic Tapes

I am glad that every Lodge has purchased the Lodge System of Masonic Education Tape. Use this tape. Don't set it in a drawer where no one can find it. This happens too many times. I also recommend to the Lodges, that do not already have the tape called "The Unseen Journey", to purchase it from Grand Lodge sales.

"Molly"

"Molly", the traveling trophy is on the move. The month of February it was in three different Lodges. One of the times that "Molly" was retrieved it was at Varysburg Lodge. There was a total of 47 Brothers present. Trying to retrieve the trophy were three Lodges that had enough Brothers there to do the job. Triluminal Lodge of Pike had a total of 8, Constellation Lodge of Perry had 8 and Warsaw Lodge had 10. When there is a little competition out there for "Molly" it is more fun. The Lodges that haven't had "Molly", get on the band wagon and join us in the fun.

Grand Lodge

Get your reservations in for Grand Lodge in Rochester this year. This is only the second time that Grand Lodge has been held outside of New York City. Let's make this Grand Lodge Convention the very best we possibly can.

**Volunteer
Help Wanted**

We need a group of dedicated Masons willing to spend a few evening hours keeping our Masonic Library open on a regular basis. Call Ted Honea at 442-3143 and leave a message if you are available and willing.

**From the
Grand Chaplain's
Station**

*Grand Lodge, F&AM
State of New York*



R..W.. and the Rev. Dr.
Eligius G. Rainier

**114th
Anniversary of
Washington's
Inaugural**

April is a noted month in the Masonic calendar, because on April 30, 1789, George Washington took his oath of office as first President of these United States, at Federal Hall, the seat of Congress, in New York City. The place where Washington stood is today marked with his statue.

St. John's Lodge Bible

Each year, on this anniversary date, the Grand Lodge of New York reenacts this ceremony at the same place. For this ceremony, the same Bible from St. John's Lodge No. 1, is used.

This Bible is used, not only because it is the actual Bible used in the swearing in ceremony, but also to emphasize the reason why this Bible was chosen in the first place. It is said that at the time of the inauguration, there was so much denominational bickering, that those preparing for the ceremony wanted a Bible untainted by denominational strife and differences. Since the members of Congress were acquainted with the non-sectarian principles of Brotherhood, understanding and fair play for which Masonry is noted, they chose a Masonic Bible for the ceremony.

Divine Providence

Due to the deep faith Washington had in the workings of Divine Providence in his life and the belief that these new United States existed only because Divine Providence had so ordained,

it was deemed fitting that a Thanksgiving Service be held in Washington's own parish church, St. Paul's Chapel, within Trinity Parish. Accordingly, after the swearing in ceremony, a procession was formed. It moved down Wall Street to that place of worship. There, under the leadership of Bishop Provoost, the Episcopal Bishop of New York, and recent appointee to the post of Chaplain of the Senate, Washington with the congregation thanked God for his provident care. The pew Washington occupied in his parish church is still marked with his name.

Charmed existence

Collectively, Washington's incredible deliverances from death had a powerful influence upon his life. There was the time when a bullet passed through his hat and his horse was shot beneath him, and the time when a guide sent with him turned out to be an enemy, who attempted to kill him; but the bullet missed.

Then, there was the time when the raft he was riding on sank in ten feet of water, and although not able to swim he miraculously escaped drowning.

We read further of the day, when he and a volunteer company attempted to surprise a French garrison. Those around him were either killed or wounded, but he escaped unharmed.

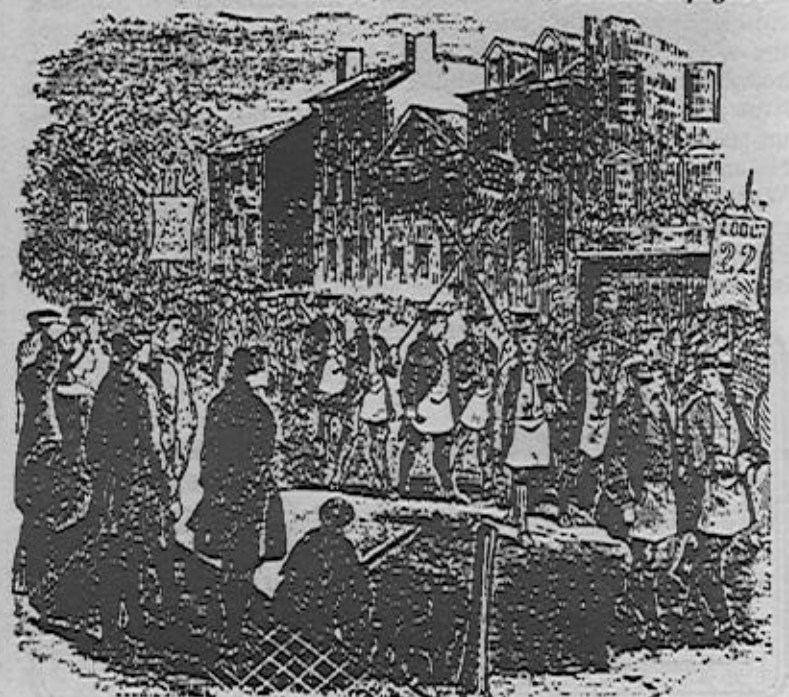
Finally, we are told of the incident of the British sharp-shooter, who disobeyed orders to shoot the horseman, wearing the brocade hat (Washington), and his riding companion. Instead, the sharp-shooter ordered a halt, allowing the horsemen to flee. When asked why he did not shoot them, he said, "It wouldn't be fair to shoot a man in the back".

Due to his belief that Divine Providence, in protecting him, must have had a special plan for him, we can understand why Washington in his diaries and letters sprinkled their contents with comments like, "Providence had saved us in a remarkable way", together with expressions like, "the hand of Providence" and "the finger of Providence".

Although Washington never wore his religion on his sleeve, he said of his own leadership of the emerging United States: "At best, I have only been an instrument in the hands of Providence". He went so far as to register his belief that the colonies fighting for independence were brought to "an awful crisis", so that the work of Providence, in effecting deliverance, would be more conspicuous.

With this faith in the workings of Divine Providence, it was "no

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big deal" for Washington to be faithful to the church of his choice, as Masonry taught him. When he lived in what was known as Bruton Parish in Virginia, his parish church, in Williamsburg was Christ Church. There, he served on the official board, as a vestryman. The pew, which he and his family occupied there, is still marked with his name. While residing in Philadelphia, Washington worshipped in Christ Church, where his friend, Episcopal Bishop White was the rector. The pew he used is marked with his name.

Washington saw no conflict between the practice of his Christian faith and Freemasonry. He knew from his Masonic teachings, that Masonry made only a simple demand on each man, namely, that he must believe that he has an immortal soul and believe in God. To him, the God he believed in is the same God that all religions believed in, no matter by what name. Whenever he spoke of God as the Great Architect of the Universe, he did so, only to avoid giving religious offense to anyone whose faith referred to God by another name.

It was not surprising, with his background of experiences in the workings of Divine Providence, that Washington conceived the idea of building a National Cathedral. After many years of planning and construction, this Cathedral now stands on St. Alban's Hill in Washington, D.C.--finally completed in September 1992--a tribute to him, who was ever grateful to Divine Providence, who brought into being: "We, the people" as one nation under God.

This Christian gentleman and Mason, George Washington, was called by God on Saturday, December 14, 1799 at 10:20 p.m. His obsequies were held a few minutes after 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday afternoon, December 18, 1799. Washington's Masonic Lodge No. 22 conducted the Masonic funeral rites, under its Master, Dr. Elisha Dick, with the Rev. James Muir, Chaplain, conducting the prayers. This was followed by a service of the Episcopal Church, performed by a Brother Mason, Rev. Thomas Davis, Rector of Christ Church. The sun had already set when the sad procession resumed its homeward journey.

As the casket rested above the tomb, Washington's Masonic White Apron was conspicuous. All who beheld it, followed closely the words: "He laid aside the working tools of life" and heard the exhortation, "May our lives be equally as pure and unspotted as this white apron". Naturally, those who knew how Washington's life had been guided and protected by Divine Providence, could not help feeling that such a dedicated and

blessed life is now certainly entitled to a glorious immortality, symbolized by the sprig of evergreen resting on the casket beside the white apron.

This Divine Providence centered life of Washington won the admiration of an anonymous Chinese artist, who, about 1800, pictured in his painting, Washington ascending into heaven, aided by an angel of death and an angel of light, with a nation in mourning surrounding him.

Certainly, we Freemasons are proud of the part played by members of the Craft on the occasion of Washington's inauguration in New York and his burial at Mt. Vernon. This month, as we celebrate the annual commemoration of his inauguration, we dedicate ourselves to those high principles of Brotherhood and reverence of the Divine Providence, for which Washington was such a champion. □

Batavia
Lodge No. 475
F. & A.M.



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W.: Robert F. Dagon
Secretary 548-7148
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200 E. Main Street,
Batavia, NY 14020

By W.: Michael Klinkbeil

Our Lodge is alive and well

There seems to be a fresh air of enthusiasm, vitality and energy flowing through the Lodge, you can kind of just feel it and it feels good. "Batavia Lodge is doing things"!

School Zones

To begin with, by the time this article appears in print, I am confident that all of the "Drug and Alcohol Free School Zone" signs will be in place at all nine City of Batavia schools. The approval for this program was granted by the Board of Education at the beginning of March. Each sign costs the Lodge \$15.00 and donations are starting to come in. Community support has been tremendous. All of this has been accomplished through the tireless efforts of our JW Andy Mohr.

"Adopt a Highway"

The Officers and Brethren of the Lodge have decided to undertake another project. It is the "Adopt a Highway" program. What this amounts to is, we as members of Batavia Lodge No. 475, are responsible to maintain the cleanliness of a stretch of state highway, mainly picking up debris and litter. We will perform this task a minimum of 4 times per year. In turn the State Highway Dept. will erect signs designating this stretch of highway as adopted by Batavia Lodge No. 475, F. & A.M. This will provide us with the opportunity for expo-

sure to the general public. Our application is presently in the hands of the State DOT. As soon as the approval is granted and the weather permits, we will make our 1st walking trip along the stretch of highway for which we are responsible and perform our duties. We have applied for Rte 33 from a point starting at the Seven Springs road to a point ending at the intersection of Rte 237 and Rte 33. We are looking forward to this challenge by spending a day in the sun and fresh air and participating in a small way to our civil duties.

Restoration

Efforts to restore the appearance of our Temple building continue. I have been in contact with various City and County officials inquiring about the feasibility of Urban Renewal and/or Historical building grants available for this purpose. Presently the wheels are turning, but as we all know, with government, the wheels turn very slowly.

Over the years I have had the opportunity to perform the duty of flying corporate executives and politicians throughout the country. This may allow me the opportunity to make some "personal contacts" in this endeavor. Currently we are in the process of restoring the light fixtures which are mounted on the outside of our Temple, which designate the respective organizations that meet here. You can look forward to seeing the appropriate light lit on the respective meeting nights soon.

Sickness and distress

W.: Larry Belluscio reported that Bro. William Emerson is responding to the care and treatment he has been getting at Strong Memorial Hospital. He is on the mend and we wish him a speedy recovery. We have been praying for this wonderful news. The ultimate goal is to see him up and about once again. Sadly, I must report that Bro. George Dahl, who was raised on March 25, 1958, passed to the Grand East on February 22, 1993 and Bro. Frank Mason, raised on September 28, 1955, passed on to the Grand East on February 19, 1993. Appropriate memorial services were conducted for these Brothers and a donation made to the Brotherhood Fund in their memories.

We are also sorry to report that the wife of our Master, W.: Michael Klinkbeil, passed away after a long illness. She had recently been a patient in the intensive care unit of Batavia Memorial Hospital. We extend our sympathies to W.: Bro. Klinkbeil and his family.

Social time

The social time after our communications continue to allow for much participation and enjoyment by all those in attendance. The variety and excellent taste of the refreshments are provided by our JW and his committee, Bro. Mark Madgett and Bro. Bill Smith. Our hats are off to those individuals for the efforts. For all of those who have not had the opportunity to attend our meetings and enjoy the social period afterwards **YOU'RE MISSING SOMETHING!**

Dues are due

I would like to take this opportunity to remind each of you who have not paid your 1993 dues to do please do so at your earliest convenience. This is our primary means of monetary support and we rely on each of our members to meet their obligation. We fully

understand that economic hard times are upon us and have an impact on each of us.

Brotherhood Fund

W.: Franklin Lund, Lodge Chairman of the Brotherhood Fund, reports that the response has been slower than usual. If it is within the length of your cabletow, please make your contribution to this very worthwhile charity.

Mailing Fund


The Secretary would like to remind each of you who have not made contributions to the 'Mailing Fund' along with your Lodge dues to help defray the expense of mailing (including the outstanding issues of the *Masonic Times*). Please forward your monies to the Secretary at your earliest convenience. These issues of the *Masonic Times* are a great means of keeping our Brethren advised of any and all activities as they occur throughout the year, requiring only the normal special notices to be sent by regular mail.

Thank you

I would like to express my deep gratitude to Batavia Lodge for their generous contribution from the Benevolent Charity Fund to benefit my son, 'Jim'. This contribution was the largest individual contribution made at this time and will really help ensure that he will continue to receive the medical treatment he so desperately needs. You may read more about 'Jim' elsewhere in this issue.

Come out to your communications and God Bless You All. □

Olive Branch
Lodge No. 39
F. & A.M.



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1st & 3rd
Wednesdays

R. A. Forbes, Secretary
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LeRoy, N. Y. 14482

By W.: Ernest T. Curtis

Grand Sword Bearer visits

R.: W.: Keith A. Granger traveled to LeRoy the evening of March 3rd. Those Brothers who came out to greet our District's Grand Lodge Staff Officer were treated to a discussion that seemed custom made for Olive Branch Lodge. We came away from that evening with several sound ideas for placing the Craft favorably in the public eye.

Bring a Friend Night

By the time you read this article, we will have opened and closed Lodge with guests in attendance who are not (yet) Master Masons. Without betraying the Landmarks of the Craft, without giving up any traditional modes of recognition, we will have openly invited the curious in the Community of LeRoy to come take a close look at Masonry. We will have answered questions, about Masonry, about our Lodge's unique role in the history of Masonry, and we will have even shown a video which illustrates our history. Hopefully, we will have distributed some more petitions for initiation and advancement. No matter what, our JW will have prepared a feast of corned beef and cabbage appropriate to celebrate St. Patrick's Day.

April 7 presentations


We will be recognizing several Brothers during the month of April. The evening of Wednesday, April 7, Howard E. Fry will be presented a certificate recognizing 45 years to the day, as a Master Mason.

Bro. William Law celebrates 20 years on April 4th, and Bro. Wayne D. Foster celebrates 15 years on April 19th. I know of several Brothers who celebrated a Masonic Anniversary of 25 years or more within the past year. If you are one, come out to Lodge one evening, you may have a certificate to claim.

First Degree

Make a note in your calendar to reserve the evening of Wednesday, April 21st. That night we will be putting on the Degree of Entered Apprentice. I am not sure how many new petitions we can expect from our March 17 Bring a Friend Night, so I am unable to say if we will be initiating one or several new Brothers. Come out and give them a proper welcome to Masonry! □

HESPERUS
Lodge No. 837



W.: Donald J. Hargrave,
Master
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1st and
3rd
Thursday

W.: Stuart P. Lambeln,
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12 South Lake Ave.
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By W.: Donald J. Hargrave

Circus news

I hope everyone had a chance to see the Shrine Circus in Rochester. It's for a very worthy cause and the kids love the excitement. Next year, a committee may provide transportation to take handicapped and underprivileged kids from our Community to see this wonderful event. This will be supported by our Lodge.

From the Master

As we move into the Spring Season, I hope everyone has enjoyed the good old fashioned Winter and with Spring comes the bright future of Masonry. I won't say how many new members we have taken in thus far since we are having a contest on membership in our District. The other Lodges will have to keep trying.

Sincerely

I would like to thank everyone who turned out for the Eastern Star Service, on February 16th. The ceremony was for W.: John Bater's wife, Irene. She was a devoted Eastern Star member, as well as a devoted wife and mother. Our prayers are with John and his family.

Inspiration

There is a drive on now to increase membership. There are committee plans to help initiate new members into the Fraternity. Using a quote from John F. Kennedy, "When written in Chinese, the word crisis is composed of two characters - one represents danger and the other represents opportunity. I can see that the Chinese word crisis fits perfectly into our current status.

The danger is to become lax in our efforts to get these new (and
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old) members involved in at least one committee and provide them with the knowledge they need to become better Masons and initiate the drive to want to participate and attend meetings regularly.

The opportunity needs to be presented to ensure that everyone has a part on committees, meetings are kept brief, and that both before and after each and every regular communication a coordinated gathering will be held with the committee members. They will discuss their activities, results, and what else needs to be done. Also, and probably most importantly, that an activity be planned for after EVERY meeting.

This may be a guest speaker, movie, card game, or a lecture from the Master or committee member or any Mason who wishes to speak or present something. If you have an idea or would like to schedule time for after a meeting, please contact the Master of the Lodge prior to the meeting (if possible) so that it can be announced. We will also be posting a sheet on the bulletin board that anyone can use to enter events, times etc. for all to see. Here is OUR opportunity, let's take advantage of it.

Coming events

April 1st, we will have a representative from the "Respite Cares" to make a presentation. They help families caring for someone at home with Alzheimer's or other numerous disabilities, by providing someone to care for their family member for several hours to give them a break.

Also planned for later this Spring is a camping weekend. We will provide details later as a date is firmed up. Keep it in mind, it should be a great time for all of us campers.

Who missed it!

March 18th was "Rusty Brother Night" and we were all happy to see our Rusty Brothers. There was a good turnout which made for some good conversation. That was combined with "Irish Stew Night". Our guest speaker and the presentation of a Distinguished Service Award made it a most enjoyable evening.

Changes

A suggestion was made to regularly open the Lodge at 7:30 p.m. and it is being investigated. Everyone will be informed of when a vote will be formally taken.

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

W.. Glenn
Cramer, Master
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1st & 3rd
Mondays

R..W.. Kenneth E. Kohlhagen,
Secretary 585-7511

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Varysburg, N.Y. 14167

By W.. Glen Cramer

A great loss

It becomes my sad duty to announce the passing of W.. Earl Dickerson. Earl was Master of West Star Lodge twice. In 1957 he headed the 100th year celebra-

tion at West Star which M..W.. Turke attended. He was 7 months short of his 50 year pin. He had lost 7 months between a demit and reaffiliation, transferring from Rochester Lodge No. 660. Earl was a Past Patron of OES Chapter No. 267. His wife Melody survives him. Three members of West Star Lodge attended his memorial service.

Travel Trophy

On February 24, nine members of our Lodge traveled to Pike and brought home the Travel Trophy. Two Brothers of Pike, Chuck and Art, boasted of their Euchre talents. Their Lodge was invited to a Euchre tournament at West Star.

Official Visit

The Communication of February 15 was the Official Visit of R..W.. Keith Granger. Hespoke on the declining membership in the Fraternity. He gave suggestions for increasing our membership and spoke on the Teddy Bear Program and Camp Turk.

Other news

It was reported that the restaurant had a new front door installed. W.. Shawn Wright reported that three local residents are in need of a bone marrow transplant. Candy bars have arrived and are for sale to benefit the Council of Masonic Activities.

March 1 Communication

The Master was on vacation when the Lodge conferred a 1st Degree on one candidate. There was a large conspiracy to recover the Travel Trophy. Pike showed up with 8 members; Perry with 8 members, West Star had 19 members, Fillmore, 1 member, but Warsaw came in with 10 members and took the trophy home to Warsaw. This was done before the Master of West Star could even view it. He warned, "This is not over"!

Great work

SW Carl Parmeter, Bro. Steve Sharmon, Bro. Neil Parmeter and all who helped are to be commended for the fine work that has been reported to me concerning the 1st Degree. The attendance that night of 46 is a record high for the past few years.

So sorry

We are sorry, Brothers from Pike, for West Star's womping you 6 to 2 in Euchre! In the future we will be opening the Lodge early on its meeting nights for fellowship and card playing. Come and join us.

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By W.. David J. Beardsley

Up-coming activities

The Fish Fry at Castile is all set for Good Friday. Please, let's all attend. Anyone who has the time-your help would be appreciated. Remember, that is April 9th.

Think Spring

Ladies Night will be June 15th this year. This will, hopefully, take advantage of warmer weather.

Drug Free School Zone

The authorities at Letchworth Central School are still interested.

See you at Lodge.

Warsaw Lodge No. 549 F. & A.M.

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Perry, NY 14530

By W.. Eric Bryant

Get those petitions in

From the weather of late, I am sure like the rest of you, wondering if Spring is truly around the corner. Though this Winter has been one of the best in the past several years, our Degree work keeps going. Over the past several months, Doug Kelly's initiative has really paid off. For those who still have a petition sent by Doug, let's find it a home.

Fish Fry

Again, our semi-annual Fish Fry will be held on April 2nd starting at 5:00 p.m. OES will be giving the proper touch to insure that everyone does their job.

Degrees

Degree work is again planned for our 1st meeting in April. Which Degree will be performed is yet to be determined. (A real sad situation, not to know which Degree to perform because of an overload of candidates). Thanks

to Bob Miles and Gerry Sahrle for keeping up the pace with the Master's portion.

Elections

Last, but not least, our final meeting in April will be held for elections, and hopefully a new slate of officers. See you there.

Masters & Wardens Association

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DISTRICT

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W.. Shawn L. Wright 535-7637

Vice President
W.. Carl Fisher 537-9943

Secretary/Treasurer
W.. Glenn Cramer 535-7507

By W.. Shawn Wright
Past events

The last meeting of the Masters & Wardens Assoc. was held at Warsaw Lodge on February 20th, prior to the George Washington Dinner-Dance. Seven Lodges were represented. It was decided to wait until May to hold elections so we would be on track with Grand Lodge. The Dinner-Dance was well attended again this year. Close to 100 were served a delicious Turkey Dinner with all the trimmings. Del Saylor's Band was great entertainment as usual. I had to leave early to go to work, but I understand line dancing lessons were given to all those interested. Congratulations to Warsaw Lodge and the OES for another job well done.

"Molly"

"Molly", the District Traveling Trophy, has really been moving around lately. She has been in Perry, Pike, Varysburg and Warsaw Lodges in just a couple weeks. John Cook and crew have been traveling after it in a valiant attempt to get her back. Perry has been beat out by one or two men at both Pike and Varysburg. "Molly" wasn't in Varysburg a week when 8 members of Pike, 8 from Perry and 10 from Warsaw all showed up on March 1st to take her away. W.. Glenn Cramer was on vacation in Florida and didn't even get a chance to see her. Each Lodge should try to get her at least once this year so they can polish their Lodge's brass plate that adorns her. Some of the plates look rather grundgy.

Candy bars

Remember, sell those district candy bars and get the money in as soon as possible.

Chicken and biscuits

Don't forget about the Chicken and Biscuit Dinner Buffet and Ladies Night at Attica Lodge on April 7, 1993. Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. at a cost of \$5.00 per person. It is to benefit Attica D.A.R.E. Program. Reservations by April 4th if possible.

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Genesee Valley Chapter
No. 46

Master of Travel
Phillip King 872-6045

Secretary-Treasurer
F. Russell Holmes 594-2462

By Harry Hopkins

In the past few months our Chapter has welcomed several families as new members.

Camping season is less than two months away and our first campout will be May 14-16 at Genesee Country Campground, Caledonia, N.Y.

Come camp with us. We have a pot luck supper Saturday evening, camp fires when weather permits, church service on Sunday and always plenty of fellowship.

Contact Harry Hopkins at 659-2236 or 16535 Banner Beach, Kendall, N.Y., 14476.

Purple Apron Club

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Vice-President
R..W.. Leonard W. Mason
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Secretary/Treasurer
R..W.. Sheldon J. Moden
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By R..W.. Holden P. Miller

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Genesee-Wyoming District Purple Apron Club was held at the Warsaw Temple on Saturday evening, February 27th. Earlier in the afternoon, many of our members attended the AGL visit of R..W.. Leonard Mason at Oakland Lodge. The membership voted our current officers to their second year.

Spring Dinner

Our Spring dinner will be held at the Lumberyard in Perry with R..W.. Charles Myers serving as host. A tentative date of Sunday, June 6th at 2:00 p.m. was set.

Grand Lodge

A major topic of discussion was the upcoming Grand Lodge in Rochester. All Lodges are to hold elections immediately following Grand Lodge and the new Masters will be invested on Friday evening at Warsaw, May 21st. The time will be 7:00 p.m.

Installations

All installations will begin right after Memorial Day. Contact our Installation Committee (R..W.. K. Kohlhagen, V. Ruppert or J. James) if you want the Purple Club to install your officers. This past weekend, R..W.. Kohlhagen was installed as District Deputy for the Royal Arch Masons for this District.

Directory

I have a report from W.. Shawn Wright that the new revised and corrected Directory is being printed. If your Lodge did not receive any last Fall, it was because those that did come out were filled with mistakes and errors. The corrections were made and we all should have a proper directory very shortly.

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Grand Lodge

The Annual Meeting of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York will be convening in Rochester, New York on Monday, May 3, 1993 for the purpose of business and ceremony. This is only the 2nd time in our Grand Lodge history that it has met outside of New York City and the 1st time in Rochester. The reason for coming out of New York City is to bring Grand Lodge to its members.

Change

If you were in Lodge during my Official Visit, I spoke on change; change was taking place in Grand Lodge. We are not making changes just for the sake of making changes. We are not changing the principles and tenants of the Craft. We are making changes where it will make a difference to the general membership. Here is an example of a change that is being implemented.

What's it all about?

What are the Grand Lodge sessions all about, you ask? Even if you didn't ask, I will tell you anyway. Monday is the official opening ceremonies, Grand Master, M..W.. Sheldon K. Blank presiding. Members and guests from this and visiting Grand Lodges will be received and introduced. The day will include special recognition of distinguished Masons and the introduction of members of the various Masonic Youth Organizations. The Totton Essay contest winner will read the winning essay. The day will conclude with executive summaries from the various Grand Lodge committees. The high point of the Tuesday session is the election and installation of the Grand Master and the elected Grand Line.

Grand Master's Dinner

Monday evening is the Grand Master's Dinner. Do to space limitations, this was generally reserved for only official Grand Lodge members and delegates. Because of the superb facility we have, the Convention Center, the dinner is open to all, Masons and

guests, this year. This dinner recognizes the great effort the Grand Master has given the Craft during the year. It is the night Grand Lodge recognizes a truly distinguished Mason. This year W.. Norm Cosby, a very well known comedian, will be recognized. The Eastern Star Chapters are supporting this event and I ask the Lodges to equal the effort.

Attendance

The measure of success of any project is attendance; the proceedings of Grand Lodge being no different. If at the end of the day, attendance is merely official delegates, the expense of coming outside of New York City will have been a waste. We of the Monroe Districts' Sheldon Blank Team now appeal to you, the members of the District Lodges to support this year's venture. Please attend the 2 days of sessions. Make the Grand Master's Dinner a special event for your Lodge. Come out with several tables full of your members and see the other side of our Grand Lodge. I am sure that a good time will be had by all. □

Grand Sword Bearer

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



R..W.. Louis DiJames
654-8348

Programs Only Work if YOU Do

First, I must apologize to all for not having an article in last month's issue of the *Masonic Times*. The much needed vacation was very refreshing, however.

After an inauspicious start, my wife and I got to spend some time in a cool (but much warmer than Rochester) Florida, where we had an opportunity to meet our new granddaughter and also spend some time with snowbird friends from Rochester. I highly recommend this shock therapy for the Winter doldrums.

Back to work

I am heartened to see so many of our Lodges in the Monroe Districts raising new Brothers. The programs set forth by Grand Lodge are finally beginning to pay off and I hope they will continue to do so. But remember, Brothers, such programs will only work if you do. You must continue to use them constantly and get out and beat the bushes. Only your enthusiasm will make them succeed, your continued efforts, however, will pay big dividends. For new candidates remember: find them, treat them as you would like to be treated and get them involved. These criteria are key to making a Mason for life.


Grand Lodge

Make every effort to attend the Grand Lodge Communication. You will gain some insight into the workings of Freemasonry and have an enjoyable time while doing so.

Don't forget to pick up your tickets for the Grand Master's Dinner scheduled for May 3rd. This will be a gala affair and the cost is less than a night at the theater. This has always been the premiere event of Grand Lodge and is always a great time. Make up your own group, get your tickets and make a table reservation now as spaces are filling up fast. Don't be disappointed.

Spring is here!

The calendar says Spring is here (thank God) and snow should have left us behind. I wish you all a happy Easter season. □



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Master
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**2nd
Tuesday
7:30 P.M.**

W.. Richard Snyder, Secretary
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14605-2789**

By W.. Ted Honea

Silent Movie

For those who missed the silent movie performance at the March meeting, good news, you didn't miss it! The distributor could not provide the film in time, so we had to postpone the performance until the April meeting. Hopefully the weather will be a little better by then.

The coming year

Believe it or not, the new Lodge year is fast approaching. This, of course, due to changing our Lodge year to conform to the Grand Lodge Year.

The issue of officers for the line was raised at our last meeting. The "bench" is only two deep. After the SW and JW we have no one but PMs in line. I am going to appoint a nominating committee that will begin beating the bushes. If any of you out there have ever wanted to go in line. Now is the time. Give me a call.

Grand Lodge

You have, no doubt, read in the *Masonic Times* that the Grand Lodge Communication this year will be here in Rochester. It is an opportunity to show everyone what we can do. The Grand Lodge Committee has been at

work for months already, and the time is drawing near when they will need our help.

Help is urgently needed for stuffing the packets each attendee will receive. Unfortunately this material cannot be prepared until virtually the last minute. Volunteers are needed to work during the last couple of days to perform this task. Each Lodge has been asked to provide two or three. Please, if you can help, let me know.

The Grand Master's Banquet will be open to all who care to attend, as long as the tickets last. The menu looks extremely good. If you would like tickets (\$29.00 each), I have them.

Correction

I almost never read this column after it appears because I'm afraid I'll find some goof I've made. Besides, someone always tells me anyway. Well, it seems I goofed. It was Bob Belt who received the award from the BSA. I don't know how I missed that. I will be careful 'heerafter' not to make any more 'misstakes'.

Fond farewell to Ralph Biggar

Ralph will be moving down to Pennsylvania around the first of April. He will be sorely missed by more than just our Lodge. Ralph has been a senior statesman to me since I first came in to Masonry.

At first, I didn't know who he was, but I kept seeing this tall old guy doing huge memory parts in the Degrees of the Concordant Bodies and turning up wherever I went.

I really first "met" him when he was directing a Royal Arch Degree I had a part in. I was struck by the fact that his idea of directing was not to give you your lines and tell you where to move. He talked about his idea of what the Degree was trying to communicate and how it was doing it. This struck me forcibly.

Since then I have had the opportunity of hearing Ralph speak about Masonry on several occasions. I have always been moved by the depth of his feeling and his sincerity. I would like to say personally, and I am sure I speak for all his Brothers, that we will feel your absence, Ralph, and regret that you will no longer be with us in Rochester. We wish you the best in Pennsylvania.

Widows' Luncheon

Even though by this issue it will have been some time ago, I would like to mention the Widows' Luncheon. We had ten ladies present this year, and I hope all had a good time. I had my wires crossed and went to pick up Edna Albright instead of Edna Atwood. Fortunately, Mrs. Atwood was patient until I got there. Of course, I thank Mat Gingold for running the whole show in his usual smooth and efficient manner.

Fellowcraft

Fellowcraft will meet at Gary Burke's house in April, 58 Bancroft Drive. Herb Spencer, President, is planning the program for the evening.

Degrees

We raised two new Brothers, as you know, in February. We have now balloted favorably on two more gentlemen. Unless something went terribly wrong, the 1st Degree was conferred on March 23rd. The 2nd and 3rd Degrees will be coming up on the April 27th and May 25th.

The most satisfying event during my tenure in office was putting together a mostly new De-

gree Team and presenting a very creditable performance. The spirit of Masonry lives especially in our Ritual, and it was important to me, both to get more people involved and to gain the self-confidence that we needed to do it.

Now we have enlarged the pool of ritualists in the Lodge and can provide backup for our usual cast. It was also a very particular pleasure for me to act as King Solomon and raise two new Brothers whose petitions I had taken. □

East Rochester's Ancient Craft Lodge No. 943



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7:30 P.M.

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By W.. Art Mason

Degree Fest in April

On April 24th ERAC will be putting on a Degree Fest for our new Brothers. As you know, we have been blessed with a group of 10 which has made us run 2 classes for the 1st and 2nd Degrees. All of these men will be taking their 3rd Degree on Saturday, April 24th at our Lodge. The Lodge opens at 8:00 a.m. for Class A and Class B will begin the 1st section at 10:00 a.m. We have planned to do the 2nd section of the Degree at noon, followed by lunch. We are counting on you to be there. This is a rare opportunity to have our own Degree Fest at ERAC.

Prince Hall to visit

With the assistance of R..W.. Ron Mertens, our Lodge will be honored to have an informational program on April 12th presented by Prince Hall Masons of Flower City Lodge. As old barriers break down and our Craft reaches out for knowledge and understanding of this organization, we can do our part by finding out about their history, ritual and structure. Our own Grand Lodge is opening the door, let's be some of the first to "walk in".

Sickness and distress

Our sincere wishes for a speedy recovery to all our members and their families who have suffered recent setbacks or illnesses. In particular, our prayers go out to W.. Gordie Hoag's wife who has had a rough time of it lately.

Thanks to all

Thanks to the Brothers and our Livingston County guests who attended the Child I.D. Program on March 8th. Jack Hughes from Buffalo was great in his presentation of the possibilities this program gives Masonry for public exposure and future members. For all those who made the effort to be there, thank you again. I hope that ERAC will be able to do a program like this sometime in the near future. Remember the Brotherhood Fund and the Box of Remembrance. □

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 Tuesday
 7:30 P.M.

W. James P. Branigan, Secretary
 964-3676
 67 Main Street
 Brockport, N.Y. 14420

By W. Howie Bale

Spring's here and things are starting to come to life as we enter our busiest time of the Lodge year. We hope that this report finds everyone well, rested, and raring to go!

Fellowcraft Club

I was back in the East in February despite a quick tour of Western New York medical facilities in late January. SW Steve Harris and the rest of the line still managed, however, to sneak in an impromptu move-up night on March 1st, with all doing a fine job. Steve's wife, Debbie, certainly did a great job on the cheese cake for after the meeting.

One order of business brought up by Bro. Harris was the resurrection of the Lodge Fellowcraft Club. Steve pointed out that involvement of the Brothers in degree rehearsals would give them a further sense of purpose as they viewed themselves as active and needed members of the unit.

Well done

In February, we attended the highly successful "Widows Luncheon" with reservations for 19 widows and six drivers. The food was delicious, entertainment top notch, and everyone had a super time.

On February 25th, Bro. Mel Doverspike chaired our annual Winter Blood Drive. We had 65 participants and collected 56 pints of blood. For the second time in a row, we had a first time donor.

DSA

Mention was made last month of the announcement of the DSA given to Bro. Cal Tripp in January. The job was completed on February 13th, when a contingency from the Lodge, led by W. Jerry Werner, visited Cal at the Batavia Vets Hospital to present him with his apron and pin. Once again we send our congratulations to Cal on this well deserved and long overdue award.

Thanks

March 8th was the Annual Master Mason's Night sponsored by Mary Jane Holmes Chapter No. 440, OES. Our thanks to Rt. Wthy. Donna Laundry and the Sisters and Brothers who worked so hard to make it a very special evening. Congratulations also, to Bros. Steve Harris and Mark Hazel on their pledge of obligation. All were invited to attend Chapter often in the future. We thank you for our dinners, gifts, and other courtesies of the evening.

By-laws

The letters are in the mail with the suggested By-law changes and a brief summary of the Wood-Quackenbush Fund activities. Please read them carefully and return any comments and/or responses. The vote on the By-laws will take place at the April 27th meeting.

Good cooks

We have nearly sold out our tickets for both settings of the Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner. It looks like Mel Doverspike and his staff of fine cooks have done it again. As usual several of the OES Sisters have volunteered their time as dining hall and kitchen supervisors.

Bike Rodeo

Chairman Bro. Steve Harris reports that the Annual Bike Rodeo is to be held on May 15th, 1993 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon, with a rain date the following Saturday. As usual, we're going to need everyone's help in order to make this a real success. Let's make sure that the kids of the Brockport Community continue to profit through our efforts to serve.


Sickness and distress

Bro. Jim Branigan has been undergoing another series of tests and not feeling up to snuff. Hope to see you up and around soon, Jim. We haven't had an update on Bro. George Brege, who is undergoing therapy for broken wrists. We assume that when he came out of his Florida Winter residence on "Brege" day, he saw his shadow, returned inside, and is singlehandedly responsible for the lousy weather we've experienced since that time.

Need transportation?

My line of '92-'93 officers and I extend our warmest Fraternal greetings to the No. 173 Brothers and hope to see everyone who can make it at our next meeting. There's always good fellowship and Stwd. Mel Mosher brews the best coffee west of the Genesee. Anyone who is in need of transportation should just give Neil Laundry a call at 964-2135 and we'll see that you're fixed right up. (No, George, not from Florida!) Until we meet, God bless and keep!

CLIO
Lodge No. 779



W. Karl
 Brandt,
 Master
 247-8970

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

Charles A. Tucker, DSA, Secretary
 392-2006
 287 East Ave.
 Hilton, N.Y. 14468

By W. Karl Brandt
 Sorry

I apologize Brothers for missing last month's deadline for my article. I can tell you the half dozen reasons why I missed it, but that will not make up for the fact that I did miss it.

Spaghetti Dinners

Over the last few months, Brothers Lee Hendershot, Charlie Tucker, Gerald Jones, Donn Stevens, Dick Caupp, Doug Harris, Bob Quackenbush and Tom Tanner have been doing a great job of putting on monthly Spaghetti Dinners to help support the Lodge. These Brothers and probably others that I have accidentally overlooked have been fundamental in bringing in a lot of money to the Lodge that we would not have had.

Ox Roast

While I am on the subject of dinners, the Annual Ox Roast is upon us. This year marks the 28th year that we have held this won-

derful successful event. This year's Ox Roast will be held on April 24th. Help spread the word and get all your friends to come to our major fund raiser. We could use your help selling tickets so please call Bro. Dick Caupp to get them. His phone number is 225-5765.

The Ox Roast is an all you can eat family style feast that will start being served at 4:00 p.m. and only costs \$6.50 for adults (same price as last year). Children and senior citizens get it at even better prices! The Ox Roast committee is working hard to make this event a success, but he could use your help. The advance ticket sales are way down from previous years. If you plan on attending or would like to donate the money for the tickets, please send it as soon as possible. We would like to use the money gathered from advance ticket sales to buy the food and supplies for the event.

New way of cooking

We will be doing things differently this year. We will be pre-cooking the meat during the week prior to the roast. If you would like to help pre-cook the meat, please give me a call. Also, I need volunteers on the 24th. All positions are available! Help is needed in the dining room, 2 kitchens and at the dish washer. Feel free to call me at 247-8970 to pledge your help. If I'm not there, please leave a message on the recorder.


Happy Birthday

In March the following Brothers celebrated birthdays: Larry Lockner, Allen Mercer, Merle Wallace, John Brugger, Donald Thompson and John Elko. In April the following Brothers will be celebrating: Karl Brandt, Jack Johnson, Bernard LoBello, Robert Mosher, Dale Polmateer, Robert Quackenbush, Phil Smalley, Denny Wright and Joe Ulrich. If I have missed your birthday, please give our Secretary a call so your name can be added to our birthday list.

Sickness and distress

W. Art Harmer and R. W. Dennison Wright have been quite ill lately. I am sure both would like to here from you.

ETOLIAN
Lodge No. 479



W. Bradley T. Goodridge,
 Secretary
 H 426-3134 O 275-6829
 133 South Union St.
 Spencerport, N.Y. 14559

By W. James Barker

On February 17th we were privileged to present Brother Gena Warner with a 70 year Service Pin. Brother Warner was raised in Etolian Lodge No. 479 in 1922 and is 95 years young. W. Clark Kunes presented the pin with his usual humorous anecdotes. Brother Dick Kessler, W. Brad Goodrich and W. Jim Barker were also in attendance along with Brother Gena's two sons, a daughter and son-in-law.

Widow's luncheon

Eleven of our ladies attended the annual luncheon this year. Juanita Brueck, Barbara Barclay and Dorothea Smith were there for the first time and received

their pins from R. W. Paul Moore and R. W. Gary Henningsen, Deputy Grand Master.

By-laws

Our revised By-laws are in the hands of the printer and should be available within a short space of time.

Blood drive

The Red Cross Blood Drive on March 11th resulted in 37 pints of blood being collected. The reluctance of some Brethren to support this program, has been brought to my attention by the committee. Let us not hide our light under a bushel and retire Masonry to the Dark Ages. It is my sincere hope that should any of us require a pint of blood, it will be available to us. An artificial source for human blood has not yet been discovered.

Sickness and distress

Our sympathy was extended to W. Gene Brendel and wife Alice on the death of her Mother, Susan Rae, recently. Brother Robert Stalker in Fedhaven Florida is undergoing treatment for a medical problem. Brother Don Kimmel has undergone procedures for heart problems.

New Brothers

Our seven new Brothers are progressing in their work. From all reports, this is a very enthusiastic class. By this printing they will have received their 2nd Degree from Brother Dick Kessler on March 22nd.

Family Night

On April 12th we will have our Family Night Program. Lodge will open at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6:00 p.m. Entertainment will be provided for the families while we hold a short business meeting. Our guest will be Brother Paul Stillman who will be doing another of his famous characters. If you missed his presentation last year, don't make the same mistake this year. I promise it will be very entertaining for the family. Bring a dish to pass and your own table service.

Hi Twelve

The Hi Twelve luncheon will be held on April 22nd.


Ritual work

Rehearsal for the 3rd Degree will be held at 7:30 p.m. on April 22nd. On April 26th we will confer the 3rd Degree on our Spring Class with the Past Masters officiating during the 2nd Section. Reservations for the dinner must be in to Brother Dick Kessler by April 21st. (594-9270).

Bring a Friend Night

On May 6th we will be holding our second "Brother Bring A Friend Night". A Cover letter will be available to hand out to the friends you wish to invite. Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. and you must have a reservation in to Dick Kessler by May 3rd. Your guest will respond to Brother Kessler directly.

Wakan-Hubbard
Lodge No. 154



W. Andrew
 P. Young,
 Master
 482-2788

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

W. Ted Snyder, Secretary
 467-0165

Masonic Temple
 1822 Penfield Rd.
 Penfield, N.Y. 14526

By W. Andrew P. Young

The March 8th meeting, although not heavily attended, was an interesting evening. The Tartan Square Club, lead by R. W. Maurice Solomon, gave an excellent presentation of the Opening, First Degree, and Closing of a Scottish Masonic Lodge. Many thanks for the presentation.

The March 22nd meeting brought the conferral of the 3rd Degree by W. Andrew Young in the East, and the charge by R. W. Don Brugger. The Degree was preceded by a delicious Chicken and Biscuit dinner by the Irondequoit Chapter.

Coming Events

Our first meeting in April will be the annual "Easter Parade". Dinner will precede the meeting and the ladies are invited to bring their Easter Hat finery for the parade. There will be prizes awarded.

The Wakan-Hubbard Ladies Night will be held on April 17th at the Burgundy Basin Inn. The band will be Twilight, lead by our good friend, Bro. Mark Phillips. We all enjoy his music so lets get out for a fun evening. In addition, our Canadian Brethren will be visiting.

Move-up Night will be April 26th this year, due to the change in the Masonic Officers year.

For the Secretary

W. Frank Denton suggested that I put the name, address and telephone number of our Secretary in the Times, so that he can finally get out from under the yolk:

Ted Snyder
 3078 Culver Rd
 Rochester, NY 14622
 Phone 716-467-0165

I also remind our Brothers who have not paid their dues to please remit. He'll be sending out a second notice soon to those who have not paid. He would like to point out that it costs your Lodge extra money to send reminders. We keep trying to hold down expenses in order to slow the increases in dues. Every little bit will help. He would also like to remind anyone who has moved to forward to him their new address and telephone number. Your subscription to the Times, and the accuracy of your Grand Lodge records depend on it.

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News and Views

By Bro. Don Bell

This month, we had a nice note from Bro. Julius Meyerhoff from his "sunny little home here in Sunny land". He says "Hello to 'Pop' Stanley Petersen". We also had a nice note from W.. George Horrocks. It's good to know that he "enjoyed all my years of Fellowship..."

R..W.. Lou DiJames had a small accident on his recent trip to Florida, but made it there on time anyway. There were no serious injuries to the occupants, but the car didn't make it.

We extend our condolences to W.. Larry Beikirch and his family on the passing of his mother. We also extend our condolences to Mrs. Margaret Gallaway and family on the passing of Bro. Myles Gallaway.

It was good to see our Senior Deacon, Tom Hueston, back in Lodge after a tough bout with the flu.

We understand that our immediate past secretary, W.. Frank Denton is going into the hospital for back surgery. We wish him well.

Grand Lodge


Grand Lodge is coming up on May 3 and 4. This will be only the second time that the Grand Lodge convention has been held outside of New York City (and

the first time in Rochester). "This is your chance to attend a Grand Lodge convention and renew old acquaintances", said R..W.. Stan Petersen. R..W.. Stan will be coordinating reservations and tickets for our Lodge's participation at the convention, and can be reached at 586-1932.

Brotherhood Fund

Bro. Steve Teugeman reports that he has received 322 contributions totaling \$2,827 for the Masonic Brotherhood Fund. This represents an 83% contribution rate. There is still time to make your contribution, so please send yours in. □

WEBSTER Lodge No. 538



W.. Ronald
Hollander,
Master
426-0741

**1st & 3rd
THURSDAYS
7:30 P.M.**

Stolan Eilla, Secretary
671-3296

**WEBSTER Temple
30 ORCHARD ST.
WEBSTER, N.Y. 14580**

By W.. Ron Hollander
April Fools Night

The April 1st meeting will find W.. L. Warren Patterson in the East, and Past Masters will assume the rest of the chairs. We will be presenting 50 and 60 year awards that evening. In addition,

W.. Patterson has also arranged for a program. David Upham will be speaking about Religious Opposition to the Masonic Order.

Bunny breakfast!

On Saturday, April 3rd, Webster OES No. 171 will be putting on an Easter Breakfast, with an exclusive visit from the Easter Bunny. The breakfast will consist of pancakes, sausages and juice, and will be served from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. The cost is \$3.50 and children under 5 are free. Bring your cameras. Call Joy Woodley for reservations at 671-6152.

Fellowcraft

The Fellowcraft will be having their meeting April 8th. This meeting will be a rehearsal for the 2nd Section of the 3rd Degree. There will also be a dinner preceding the meeting; call W.. Mark Fenton, 265-3907 for reservations.

Third Degree

The Third Degree will be on April 15th. There will be a dinner served by Webster OES and please call Bro. John Clapp at 671-4158 for reservations.

Ladies Night

Webster Ladies Night will be at the Country Party House in East Rochester on April 24th. Be sure to reserve the date for an evening of excitement and fun. This is an ideal function to bring your friends--don't forget to include them.

Grand Master's Dinner

May 3rd is the Grand Master's Dinner at the Hyatt, and so far we have ten from Webster that are going. If you are interested in attending this event, please see W.. Ron Hollander. See you in Lodge. □




W.. Larry E.
Foster,
Master
(H)223-6833
(O)423-6601

Second
Tuesday
6:00 P.M.

W.. Michael S. Goehle, Sec.
(H)597-6754, (O)223-1000
Webster Masonic Temple
30 Orchard St.,
Webster, N.Y. 14580

Ah Spring

April is upon us and hopefully, Spring. This is a period in which nature creates new growth and gives birth to its young. On April 13th, Seneca Lodge's Past Masters' Degree Team will raise two new Brothers to the Degree of Master Mason and they will begin in the Spring of their Masonic lives.

This event also provides each of us an opportunity to renew our Masonic lives as we support, from the sidelines, our new Brothers and our distinguished Past Masters. If there is any possibility of your joining us, please do. Lodge will open at 5:45 p.m. Dinner at approximately 7:00 p.m. by reservation with Bob Franzen (235-1782) or Gary Stein (544-1658).

Bring a Friend

On Sunday April 18th, Monroe Golf Club is the place to be for Seneca's "Bring a Friend" meeting. You know it really isn't going to be a meeting! It will be

an opportunity for you and a friend to get together with Brothers, have refreshments and share the joys of Masonry with other prospective members. The key ingredient is that prospective new member!

W.. Bob Green has organized the gathering and requests the names of friends and family who you believe are potential Masons. Get the names to Bob (223-5953) so they can be invited. If you have a last minute opportunity to bring a friend and haven't notified Bob, bring them anyway! If you haven't a friend to bring, make a new one so you and your friend(s) can be among those who will be at the "place to be" on Sunday, April 18th.


Grand Lodge

All of us have heard of the Annual Grand Lodge Communication, but only Past Masters have experienced it. No More! On May 3rd and 4th Rochester will host Grand Lodge. This is only the second time that it has been held outside of New York City. We are all invited! An opportunity which may be a once in a life time experience to remember and Western New York's chance to show Grand Lodge that Masonry is alive and supportive. W.. Bob Green has taken on the task of assisting in the sale of tickets for the Grand Master's Dinner on May 3rd at the Rochester Convention Center. Even if you can't make the meetings, give your spouse a night out and attend the dinner. Let's give Bob and the Grand Master Seneca's full commitment and support.

Party time

Have you saved May 21st and 22nd? It is PARTY TIME! See you in Lodge! □

Flower City Lodge No. 910



R..W..
Gordon T.
Dodge
Master
H 334-3660
2nd
Thursday
7:30 P.M.

R.. W.. Phillip Averbach,
Secretary 458-1817

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

By W.. Gordon T. Dodge
A great night

What a night we had on March 11th. We honored Bro. Paul Israel who received the Dedicated Service Award before a large audience of Brothers and guests.

Our DDGM, R..W.. Paul Moore, was very pleased to see such a large turnout. Many people spoke about Paul's good works and deeds of his activity with the VA Hospital in Canandaigua, to his work with a number of people with Cerebral Palsy in conjunction with the Al Sigl Center, and his Lodge activities. Paul thanked R..W.. Paul Moore for the kind words he wrote in the March issue of the *Masonic Times*. It was a wonderful evening that was enjoyed by all. Congratulations once again, Paul.

"Adopt -a-Highway"

We have received, from the New York State Dept. of Transportation, the signed authorization of the "Adopt-a-Highway" program that the Fellowcraft will be involved in. I have committed 8 of our members to this project

April 1993.
so please volunteer to help. Call me at 334-3660 and let me know you're ready to help.


School of Ritual

The Lodge participated in the School of Ritual on March 31st with a full complement of officers and side-liners filling all of the required positions. Thanks to all who participated in and did such a great job of ritual work.

1st Degree

Petitions are now in the hands of the Investigating Committee and a 1st Degree is scheduled for April 8th. Please volunteer or "Just Say Yes" when the Cast Director, R..W.. Phil Averbach asks for your assistance. Come out to Lodge on April 8th and see your new Lodge Brothers. The other April date to remember is the 1st when there is a Fellowcraft meeting at the Downtown Masonic Temple. □

FAIRPORT Lodge No. 476



W.. Edward
T. Goodrich,
Master
H 377-8227
O 647-8367

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

W.. George R. Bracht, Secretary
H 383-1947 O 383-8636

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

No copy received
at press time

The Masonic widow

The following was distributed to the wives during a luncheon at Grand Chapter Sessions in Albany. Barbara Goodrich of the *Times* Staff thought that it should be shared. The source of the poem is not known.

"If my husband wasn't a Mason, what kind of man would he be?"

I know nothing of their secret work, but this much I understand, that the lessons taught in Masonry have made him a better man.

So ask yourself this question, which has always come to me, "If my husband wasn't a Mason, what kind of man would he be?"

They call us Masonic widows; I've been one for many a year, I've spoken my piece on lonely nights, and berated my husband dear, but then again I regret the words and without wisdom failed to see,

"If my husband wasn't a Mason, what kind of man would he be?"

So I'll try to be a patient wife, as alone I meditate, and see his point, as he leaves for Lodge, with words, "I won't be late".

Some say that men make Masonry, and this I understand, but deep in my heart I maintain, that "Masonry makes the man,"

So as we journey the highway together, to the better things of life, May their teachings go on forever. Sincerely, a Mason's wife. □

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Michael Bell, Monarch

Monarch's Message

Truly no month can compare with April musically: "April Showers", "April in Paris", and "April in Portugal" are but three of the myriad of refrains celebrating the first full month of Spring. Remember, that though April showers mean May flowers, they also mean we are one month

closer to the National Convention in June. Gordon Dodge and I are still looking for help on various committees, as well as in other places. Get over that shyness and give one of us a call.

Bus trips

Don't forget to send in your registration forms as soon as possible. The buses for the trips are

strictly first come, first serve, so don't be disappointed.

Picnic time

Our regular outdoor meeting in June will be held on Tuesday, June 8th in Henrietta Town Park. Since the Convention will take place on our regular meeting day, I hope to see you all there. □

Grotto Membership

By Ron Morthorst

We need your petitions turned in now!! Many Masons are coming into the Enchanted Realm. Need a petition? No problem - just call Ron Morthorst at 334-4196 and you'll have one in the mail, as well as assistance in taking care of your Brother.

Remember

Good fellowship starts at Lalla Rookh Grotto and you are part of this fellowship.

The Ceremonial is April 21st.

We are continuing our Anniversary Certificate program in 1993, which gives a \$15.00 deduction off our regular fee of \$50.00.

Good time

Be in time to participate in the National Convention right here in Rochester the week of June 13-20, and have a good time! Membership Hot Line is 334-4196 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. □

Grotto Cast

By George Knierim, Cast Dir.

We have rehearsal dates for Tuesday, March 30th and also stage set up on Monday, April 19th at 7:30 p.m.

Ceremonial rehearsal is Wednesday, April 21st at 7:30 p.m.

We need help for several small parts. If any member could take a part, please let the Grotto office know, or call me at 865-0490. □

Legion of Honor

By David G. Cromwell, Comm.

Our February 8th meeting at the Two M's Restaurant was well attended. We voted to buy an Enchanted Lantern in memory of our dear Brother Prophet Roy Slack.

Officer change

We also discussed a possible change in the succession of officers. I am working on this.

Best wishes

Our Brother Prophet Milt Lowe fell, broke his arm and dislocated his shoulder. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Make reservations

Our next meeting will be at the Two M's Restaurant on Jefferson Road at 6:30 p.m. on April 12, 1993. Please contact our Executive Officer, Jan Lughart, at 352-4698 with your reservations by April 5, 1993.

Please call me at 244-2723 with your personal notes, birthdays, anniversaries, etc., for this article.

Until next time... □

Patrol News

The Patrol helped out another military man at the Culver Road Armory by lending out our sabres so that a "Military wedding" could be held on March 13th. He extends his thanks to the Patrol for this thoughtful gesture.

Stay tuned!

The breakfast set for March 14th had to be cancelled as the restaurant went out of business. President Gerry Brugger is working on setting up another one somewhere else.

Join us

We are drilling on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays to entice some Prophets whose Lodges meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, to join us. Come on out to the Culver Road Armory at 7:30 p.m., you guys! We're doing this for you!

April dates are the 6th and the 20th, with the monthly meeting on the 20th, with refreshments. See you at drill. □

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The Flower City Rochestour	Mon. 5/3	10:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.	\$28.00	_____	\$ _____
The Grand Rochestour	Tues. 5/4	9:00 a.m.- 12:00 noon	\$17.00	_____	\$ _____
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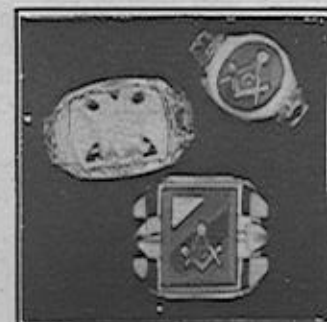
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York Rite NEWS

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Grand Commandery Knights Templar State of New York

Ronald J. Bertie
GRAND CAPTAIN GENERAL
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ZONE OFFICER 594-8033

By Roy E. Huff, Reporter

There were several Inspections in Zone 11 and 12 in March, which were well attended.

The following are the April Inspections dates:

- April 2-Genesee No. 10
- April 13-Tonawanda No. 78
- April 23-Niagara No. 64
- April 26-Lake Erie No. 20

Condolences

It is with great sadness that we report the death of SK Ralph Ely, Past Grand Commander. He had been very active with the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, and was Grand Commander in 1969. He lived in Glens Falls, New York.

Sir Knight C. Raymond Hager awarded Patent of Honour



By Stanley V. Peterson

Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America has honored SK C. Raymond Hager, Eminent Past Grand Commander, State of New York, Knights Templar by awarding him the Patent of Honour and constituting him to be a Knight Commander of the Temple. The recognition was presented by SK William H. Thornley, ME Grand Master. This, a newly established award, is given in recognition of Sir Knights who have distinguished themselves in their field of endeavor. The recipients receive a beautifully engraved Patent and Jewel.

We in Cyrene Commandery No. 39 and the other Commanderies in Zone 11 join in congratulating him.

SK Hager was Eminent Grand Commander in 1989. He then was elected as Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery for 1991 and 1992. Other acknowledgements for his service to the York Rite of Freemasonry include election to membership as a Knight of the York Cross of Honour in Empire

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Cyrene Commandery No. 39 Knights Templar

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in 1867



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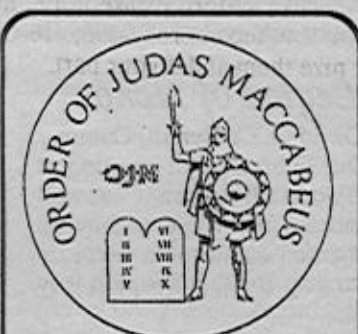
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By SK Arnold E. Palmer

There will be no meeting on April 9th as it is Good Friday. On April 23rd we will have the election of Officers and a vote on the consolidation with Monroe Commandery. Please make every effort to attend this meeting.

Zone 11 Inspection Schedule for 1993: April 20, Jerusalem 17 with SK David Goodwin, GSWB; May 19, Zenobia 41 with SK Calvin May GSTB.



Genesee Valley Assemblage No. 1

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By Roy E. Huff, Reporter

On March 18th, the Grand Line met to continue the mapping out of the future direction of our Order. More information on this and future meetings of the Grand Line will be forthcoming.

The next meeting of our Assemblage will be announced in the *Masonic Times*.

Genesee York Rite College No. 25

Rochester, New York
(Chartered July 14, 1962)

Ronald J. Bertie
Pre-Em. Gov. 225-6348
Roy E. Huff
Secretary 663-7479

By Roy E. Huff, Reporter

Genesee York Rite College was to meet with Niagara Frontier College on March 13, 1993. Due to inclement weather, the meeting was cancelled and will be rescheduled sometime in May.

Annual meeting

The next meeting of Genesee York Rite College will be held on Saturday, June 12, 1993, in the Batavia area. More information on this, our annual meeting, will appear in the next issue.

We hope that you and your families have a happy Easter.

Doric Council No. 19

Cryptic Masons

(Chartered in 1861)
Arnold E. Palmer, III, Master
247-8906
L. Edward Walker, Recorder
647-2382



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3rd
Wednesdays
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Masonic Temple
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By III. Arnold E. Palmer

First Table council

On Wednesday, April 24, we will hold our first Table Council. Dinner will be served at 6:45 p.m. Please call William Zufall at (716) 271-0795 or me at (716) 247-8906.

Other meetings

On April 24th there will be a Cryptic Convention at the Masonic Temple in Bath, N.Y. beginning at 10:30 in the morning. Lunch will be served.

A special meeting will be held on May 5th, which will be our Annual Meeting and election of officers. Then on May 19th there will be an open Public Installation of the new Council Officers.

I would like to thank the Companions who made it to the March meeting for the Select Master Degree. Make an effort to attend our next meeting and make your reservations for dinner.

Hiram Chapter No. 62



2nd & 4th
Thursdays

Vernon L. Goodrich, EHP
377-0367

Richard J. Oliver, Secretary
594-2380

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By Vernon L. Goodrich, EHP

When this issue of the *Masonic Times* is received, both the "Bring a Friend Night" and the Ladies Night will be history. Well over 100 persons attended the dinner for the "Bring a Friend Night". Companions, let's get those petitions in now!

Grand Chapter

We had a great turn out at Grand Chapter. Linda Zahn did

her usual fantastic job of handling the Hospitality Room and providing breakfast on Saturday morning. After twisting my arm most fiercely, those poker players managed to keep me up until the wee hours of the morning-thanks for the contribution. Even the Scholarship Fund made out.

Membership

April 8th will be a meeting only to process any membership applications. There will also be an officers' meeting, which includes the leaders of all committees.

If you haven't sent your requests and resumes in for the Scholarship Program, you had better hurry.

Degrees

The Mark Master and the Past Master's Degrees will be in Webster on Wednesday, April 14th and the ME Degree on Monday, April 19th in Livonia.

On April 22nd, we will, of course, have the Holy Royal Arch Degree. We will also have a dinner to honor Ralph Biggar, since he is leaving for Pennsylvania to live with his son. We will miss Ralph, as he has been a stalwart performer in our degrees over the years, and our Treasurer since I don't know when. Be sure and get your reservations in for the dinner and help us wish Ralph a 'bon voyage'.

May highlights

May 13th is another highlight for our year for two reasons: first, it is "Past High Priest Night" and

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Guests enjoying the entertainment at Hiram's "Bring a Friend Night" (Photos courtesy of Masonic Times)

Hiram Chapter

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they will be taking all the chairs; second, we will be having a Euchre Tournament after Chapter.

May 27th will be the Official Visit by our own District Deputy Robert Zahn. The apron for our newest GHP will also be presented.

After the weekend of March 13-14, I believe the "snow birds" are lucky!



Marie West at the Organ in Cathedral Hall



Jerry Argetsinger, magician

3x3 Chapter
NO. 333
Royal Arch Masons
(Chartered in 1990)

1st & 3rd
Wednesdays
7:30 p.m.

Ruel Lovett, High Priest
494-2546
William O. Baldwin, Jr. Secretary
352-5664

Masonic Temple
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Spencerport, N.Y. 14559

By Ruel Lovett, EHP

We really had a great time at our Ladies Night at the Edgewood. Our host, E. Don Read of LeRoy Chapter No. 183 and Vanna as portrayed by Ellie, did a super job with the game. Lots of prizes were given out. The food and the service were excellent as always. If you missed our Ladies Night, you missed a good time. Make it a point to join us next year.

Degree

On February 20th, we exalted 10 Companions at LeRoy. Thanks to all who participated. The work was well done. Remember, we still have a dozen candidates. Let's get together and make plans for the Degrees.

Anniversary

March 3, 1993 was the third birthday of Three Times Three Chapter No. 333. On that day in 1990, nine Companions were called forward at Grand Chapter in Albany, and presented with the New Chapter Warrant. This came about in spite of losses of members experienced by other Chapters. Congratulations to all who attended the Birthday Party. Visitors are always welcome at this affair.

Grand Lecturer's Convention

There will be a dinner at Alex's in Batavia at 6:00 p.m. before our Grand Lecturer's Convention. Please see me if you will be attending. Wyoming Chapter No. 181 will be responsible for the opening, and the closing will be done by West Star No. 35. R. E. Hobie Cook will be presiding. Our own V. E. Gary Thompson will receive his apron at this time. Let's show Gary we're behind him by attending.

Scholarship Dinner

In the meantime back at the Ranch, Garry Hutcherson is completing plans for the Royal Arch Scholarship Fund Dinner at the Batavia Country Club on April 3rd. All High Priests have tickets. Please help us make this project a success. Please contact me or Garry for reservations. □

District Deputy Grand High Priest

Royal Arch Masons
27th Capitular District



Rt. Exc. Robert L. Zahn
381-3032

Grand Chapter

The 27th Capitular District was well represented at Grand Chapter in Albany. A total of 23 Companions and 13 ladies were in attendance.

Resolutions

A Resolution, for an increase of one dollar of each member's

dues to go to Grand Chapter, passed for the second time and went into effect. The dues are now \$6.50 per member.

Another Resolution was passed for the first time, concerning changing the title of Grand Organist to Grand Musician. A final vote will be taken next year before it goes into effect.

New Officers

The following officers were elected and installed: ME Edward R. Trosin, Grand High Priest; RE Wing W. Hong, Deputy Grand High Priest; RE Bruce Renner, Grand King; RE Robert DeDuca, Grand Scribe; RE Ted L. Diehl, Grand Treasurer; ME William Carr, Grand Secretary. All appointed officers of Grand Line moved up one position. RE Edmund D. Harrison assumed the office of Grand Master of the First Veil. I am sure your EHP has given you a complete report.

Conferring of Degrees

The Mark Master (Webster Chapter) and the Past Master (Hiram Chapter) Degrees will be conferred on April 14th at Webster Masonic Temple. The Most Excellent Master (Livonia and Dansville Chapters) will be on April 19th at Livonia Masonic Temple. The Royal Arch Mason (Hiram) Degree, at the Rochester Masonic Temple, will be on April 22. All Degrees will start at 7:30 p.m. □

Batavia Commandery No. 34 Knights Templar

Meets
2nd & 4th
Thursdays



SK Robert F. Dagon
Commander 548-7148
SK Allen L. Capwell
Recorder 786-3897

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Batavia, NY 14020

By SK Robert F. Dagon

Having completed our required Inspection of the Commandery, now we can, and in some cases, must, look ahead to the events which face us as we wind down towards the Summer. As you may have surmised from my past expressions of the Winter months, I am looking forward to the warmer weather which will present itself to all here in Western New York.

Unlike those of you who have enjoyed the warmth and pleasantries of the deep South, Arizona etc., most of us who reside up North, can remember the past Winter and find some pleasantries as well, especially those who were able to attend our conclaves and/or Lodge meetings and enjoy the fellowship of our Fraternities.

My sincere hope is that for those of you who reside outside of the area, that you have and will continue to support the Sir Knights, Companions and Brethren of your local Fraternities wherever you may be.

Support Commanderies

I am looking forward to attending the upcoming Inspections of the Commanderies within Zone 12 and would like to invite the Sir Knights to come out

and support the Commanderies. As I stated previously, if you need transportation for these visitations, just give me a call at 548-7148 and I will arrange for same.

Dates and places

Apr. 2 - Genesee Comm. No. 10
Apr. 13 - Tonawanda Comm. No. 78
Apr. 23 - Niagara Comm. No. 64
Apr. 26 - Lake Erie Comm. No. 20

Return petitions

Just a reminder to all the Sir Knights, on Saturday, April 24th we will be conferring the Degrees of Templary at Lake Erie Commandery No. 20. At this writing, we have three Companions to be knighted for our own Commandery, and we are hopeful for a few more individuals to add to this list. If you have petitions out, please get them in to the Recorder, so that we may act upon them in time for this Festival.

Sickness and distress

I would like to appeal to each of the Sir Knights and friends in meeting their obligations to help in the assistance to one of the members of Batavia Commandery. Our SW, SK Michael Klinkbeil's son Jim is suffering from "chronic myelogenous leukemia", a life threatening disease. Details of this situation are explained further elsewhere in this issue. Please do your part in assisting in this endeavor.

Also as a reminder, if you know of someone who is ill or needs comfort, please notify me or the Recorder so we may recognize them and do our part.

Reminder

The rewritten, but *not* changed, "Revised Tactics" are available to you. A copy may be acquired at any of the conclaves or by contacting myself or the Recorder.

Make your contributions to the 25th Annual Eye Foundation Campaign if you have not already done so.

God Bless you all, attend your conclaves and support your Commandery. □

The Grand Master Has invited all Master Masons to attend Grand Lodge!

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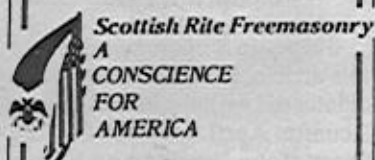
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By Ill. Everett Norris

At our meeting on April 26th, I will appoint a Nominating Committee for the ensuing year. We will have several petitions to ballot on.

Summer break

The last meeting before Summer break will be on May 10th. Election and Installation of Officers will be the work for the evening. □



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Charles C. Spiegel, Jr., Editor

From the Desk of:

Ill. Larry E. Foster, 33°
Commander in Chief



If We Could
See Into The
Future

Do not read this article except
on April 1, 1993

Suspense is upon me as I write this article. How many new candidates did we have for the Spring Reunion April 1st - 3rd? Did the Feast of the Paschal Lamb have to compete with the traditional snow storm on March 25th? Was there a large turnout for the "Bring a Friend Night" on March 11th? What about Christopher Columbus, did he really show up on March 4th? Who will read this article? Will they even care about these questions which are now so troubling to me? Did I miss in the job description for Commander-in-Chief, "Clairvoyance Required! Need not apply without it". No, I am sure it wasn't there because a true clairvoyant would have known, so to have included it in the job description would have been redundant.

The test

Lest you think that I am crazed, if not crazy, it is a snowy Saturday, February 27th. I am attempting to write an article which I must submit on Monday, March 1st (due to extended business travel) which you will hopefully read at the end of March or early April. If I am lucky, you are reading this on April Fools' Day (per the instructions) and this article will not only appear sane, but extremely clever! However, just for insurance, "This has been a test of your maturity, good looks, personality, trustworthiness, and all the other virtues which you pride yourself on". If your calendar says April 1st, they are all true! Let me know when we next cross paths by simply saying "True"! I will take it that I am truly clever and compliment you on your good looks.

Thanks to all

Now that I have hopefully gotten your attention, I do know the answers to these questions because I know the quality of leaders and members of the Valley of Rochester. Without exception, they give nothing but their best

and therefore each of these events could not have been better (with the exception of Christopher Columbus whose ship went aground in the snow)! I am proud of our Valley and its members. We have had a great year to date and I know these events will have been likewise. Thanks to everyone who has risen to the challenge to make the Valley of Rochester one of the leaders in New York.

Lodge of Perfection Dinner



All current Lodge of Perfection Officers, Past Thrice Potent Masters and their ladies are invited to this dinner.

This event will be held at the Maplewood Inn, 3500 East Avenue, Saturday May 1st. The Social Hour will begin at 6:00 p.m., dinner at 7:00 p.m. Each person attending will be given complimentary tickets for beverages.

Dinner choices will be: Roast Beef, Baked Haddock or Stuffed Chicken Breast; all at \$15.00 each.

You will be receiving a letter and reservation slip in the mail.

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In addition, a more recent feature added to the plan is the provision that for card holders who pay interest on outstanding balances and who pay the amounts due regularly and on time, a rebate of 3% of such finance charges goes back to the card holder and an additional 2% comes to the Museum and Library Fund.

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Spin on the Ball

Each person grows and matures in their own way. The way in which we look at life, or the way in which we relate to others, is largely determined by the circumstances surrounding our youth, our training, our education, our occupations, and our friendships.

We call it "putting spin on the ball", and that is what makes each of us different from any of our family, friends, or associates.

The Masonic Family is composed of many, different organizations. Each having grown and matured in its own peculiarly distinctive manner. Each organization has placed a peculiar "spin on its ball" and looks at the Craft in its own peculiar manner. However, each is an important part of the Masonic Family!

Each Freemason looks at the Masonic Family, and expresses his Masonic interest, in his own peculiar manner. Each adds his own "spin on the ball" by selecting that organization (or organizations) to which he is specifically attracted.

Your personal attraction to, and support of, your favorite organization is commendable and encouraged! Bear in mind, however, that even as you expect "your" organization to grow and prosper, so do other Freemasons expect "their" organization to grow and prosper.

Masonic interest and activity is really a two-way street. You cannot presume that others will be there in your behalf if you are not there for them. That is the reason why all organizations stress the retention of members; that is the reason why all organizations seek to increase the concern and involvement of its own members, for if one falls-all will fall.

We are approaching that yearly period when we contact our delinquent members and urge them to pay their delinquency and remain members of our organizations. You once had a good and sufficient reason to join this organization - we hope you want to remain a member. Remember that we all share in the success or failure of the whole.

John Donne (1571 ? -1631) wrote: "No man is an island...every man...is a part of the main..." I hope that you are, and will continue to be, "a part of the main!"

Courtesy of the Valley of Southern New Jersey, Jan. 1993, vol. 34.

Freemasonry is What To You?

Some years ago, it was my privilege to attend a Men's Bible Class, averaging 150 men each Sunday morning in the church of my choice that was influential to me. The Church Organist was an outstanding composer, as well as artist and poet. He wrote the words and music of a Bible Class Song we called our Brotherhood Song, and sang every time we met. The first verse was this: "The faith you live, sincere and true, out on the street, not in the pew, the friend you are when friends are few-that's Brotherhood!"

This is just as true of Masonic Brotherhood as of Christian

Brotherhood. If someone, not a Mason, were to ask you, "What is Masonry?", how would you answer him? When I am asked this question, if I have time, I usually say that to me Masonry is 10 things. May I suggest them briefly?

In the LODGE ROOM, speculative Masonry is information and inspiration.

In the HOME, Masonry is kindness and fidelity.

In the BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP, Masonry is honesty and veracity.

In my DAILY WORK, Masonry is thoroughness and dependability.

In SOCIAL CONTACTS, Masonry is moderation and self-control.

Towards the FORTUNATE, Masonry is congratulations and best wishes.

Towards the WEAK, Masonry is compassion and assistance.

Towards WICKEDNESS, Masonry is rebuke and resistance.

Towards the PENITENT, Masonry is forgiveness and another chance.

Finally, towards GOD, Masonry is reverence, love and obedience.

What does Masonry mean to you?

Courtesy of Ill. Warren F. Schueler, Sr., 33° Active Member, Supreme Council, AASR, Wilmington, Delaware

True Wisdom

As Masons, for those times when wisdom of men may not be enough, we can turn to these constant companions:

*The Holy Bible which will give us strength, inspiration and comfort.

*The square which will assist us to keep the Corner Stones of Masonry true and right.

*The compasses which will enable us to further extend the noble points of our gentle craft to greater bounds.

As we step ever onward on the road of Masonic action, may these three great lights shine ever brightly to lead us with wisdom, strength and never failing humor. (Courtesy of Valley of Evansville, IN)

Dates to save

Reunion - April 1st, 7:30 p.m.
8° Vig. & 14°, April 2nd, 7:30 p.m.
16°, April 3rd, 9:30 a.m. 17° & 18°, 11:30 a.m. Lunch, 12:30 a.m. 19° & 32°.

April 15th, Long Range Planning Committee - 7:00 p.m.

April 24th, Annual Scottish Rite Reunion Banquet, Holiday Inn-Airport 6:30 p.m. Social Hour, Dinner 7:30 p.m.

Fit a Stone for the Builder's Use

Freemasonry is not a "mass medium." It works with and through the individual member. We do not have group invitations; each member is taken alone and taught the lessons of a good life. Each new member is prepared as an individual; he is the one important person who is initiated, then passed to the higher grades as he acquires proficiency in the task at hand. Certain members spend time with him alone so that he may learn the lessons exemplified in the degrees. In Freemasonry, the individual is all-important.

Freemasonry offers the world today the basic ideal that is being slowly forgotten: that each individual is important and that his personal welfare counts.

Let us as Freemasons not forget that the feeling of belonging begins with little things. When a man is helped by a friend to present a petition to the Lodge, he expects that friend to accompany him through his initiatory experiences. He expects to find him in the Lodge room when he receives more light in Masonry.

The absence of the members who supported him by signing his petition, recommended him for membership, and those who called on him in his home as members of the investigating committee, is a denial of that participation in Masonic fellowship which he has been led to expect. No Mason has served his Lodge well if he merely brings in a petition. He must accept the responsibility of fitting a stone for the builder's use.

Courtesy Keystone Courier, Valley of Scranton, Pa.

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Towards a Healthier Tomorrow

By Dr. Charles Antzelvitch
Health care expenses

Unchecked inflation in the costs of health care, the largest industry in the United States, is wreaking havoc on our health care system. National health care expenditures are estimated to be \$940 billion in 1993, a 12.1% increase from 1992. Ever-spiraling costs are taking their toll with government budgets, businesses and individuals being stretched to the limit. On a per capita basis the United States far outspends the nations of the world in providing health care to its people, yet alarming numbers remain uninsured and undeserved, and growing numbers of Americans are finding that they cannot afford to purchase the services they need. The real tragedy, however, is yet to unfold. The inequities and shortfalls that confront us today pale in contrast to what we can expect in the years ahead unless aggressive measures are taken to address the long-term problems facing our health care system.


No money for research

Much has been written and said about health care reform, cost control strategies, universal coverage, etc. Regrettably, very little has been voiced about one of the most prudent approaches available to us, limiting disease through research. As a nation we spend close to a trillion dollars a year in doctor's offices, clinics, and hospitals on efforts to diagnose, treat and cure disease, but a meager 1% of this amount to find ways to prevent disease or to design more effective ways to fight



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disease. This, in spite of the fact that studies have demonstrated a \$14 saving for every dollar invested in research.

The achievements and cost-effectiveness of biomedical research are incontrovertible. Since WWII, a tremendous pool of talent evolved in this country and throughout the world, producing a steady stream of accomplishments that have benefited all of humanity.

New devices

Antibiotics have dramatically reduced mortality from infectious diseases. The marriage of medical and technological research has brought forth the CAT scanner, Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI), devices which afford physicians diagnostic accuracy never before possible and more recently video-guided surgery has made possible less invasive medical treatments and cures. Laser beams and radiofrequency ablation techniques are today used to vaporize tumors, to destroy parts of the heart that generate troublesome activity, to open up clogged blood vessels

and even to destroy brain tumors by remote control.

New and better drugs

New and better drugs are available to deal with a host of diseases ranging from hypertension to cancer and heart disease and recombinant DNA technology has made it possible to make drugs in large quantities that otherwise would be very scarce or unavailable. Devices known as AICDs, automatic implantable cardioverter defibrillators, are saving thousands of lives. These devices sense the development of ventricular fibrillation, the cause of sudden death, and automatically shock the heart to restore normal rhythm. Gene therapy holds promise for miraculous cures of congenital and other diseases. The ability to introduce normal genes into the body to replace defective ones has almost limitless application. These advances and accomplishments, as impressive as they may seem, are small when considered within the full scope of what current technologies are capable of providing us. Recent work at many research centers offer unprecedented opportunities for development of major advances in the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of disease.

Masonic Research

Among the research institutes world wide dedicated to fighting disease at the basic research level is the **Masonic Medical Research Laboratory** in Utica, New York. We are neither the biggest nor the most affluent, but our contributions to medical science over the past 35 years have been very significant ones, providing benefits to peoples of all nations, regardless of color, creed or fraternal affiliation.

Our aim

The Laboratory's mission is to conduct basic biomedical research aimed at generating knowledge and information necessary for development of the medical cures and treatments of tomorrow as well as to educate and train basic scientists and clinical researchers who would perpetuate and extend the fight against disease.

The Laboratory is currently engaged in four areas of research: **HEART DISEASE, CANCER, IMMUNOLOGY and GERONTOLOGY.**

Cardiology team

Our Experimental Cardiology team has received wide recognition in recent years for work aimed at defining differences in the electrical characteristics and responsiveness to drugs among different cell types spanning the wall of the main pumping chambers of the heart (ventricles). An

exciting recent development was the discovery of a unique and previously unidentified population of cells in the deep layers of the heart termed "M cells". These cells were found to possess electrical properties and responsiveness to drugs different from other cells of the heart. Studies are underway to determine to what extent these cells may be responsible for the development of life-threatening abnormal heart rhythms. M cells may also hold the key to our understanding of sudden cardiac death, a syndrome which takes the lives of over 400,000 Americans each year. These studies have also advanced our understanding of certain deflections in the electrocardiogram (ECG) known as U waves.

Cancer treatment

Today, nearly half of all cancer patients can be cured by modern treatment methods. Thanks to research, great advances have been made in our ability to prevent, detect and treat a variety of cancers, although progress with other forms of cancer has been disappointing. Our Cancer program has focused on preventative measures in recent years. Among the many achievements are the findings of studies involving Vitamin A and its parent compound, Betacarotene. Our researchers have described a mechanism by which Vitamin A can lower our susceptibility to certain cancers and prevent recurrences of cancer. In recent studies, we have also shown that there may be a link between cancer and atherosclerosis (hardening of the arteries).

Gerontology

The major focus of our Gerontology program is to understand better the basic mechanisms that contribute to the aging process with the hope that such knowledge would allow us to deal more effectively with the numerous diseases of the elderly which diminish the quality of life. The prevalence of major diseases such as cancer and cardiovascular disease increases dramatically with advancing age. Our Gerontology program has been actively involved in examining the effects of visible light, interleukin-2 and metal ions on the life-span of mice. Recent data suggest that mice live longer in the dark than in the light and that interleukin-2, a hormone of the immune system, prolongs life in these animals.

Immunology program

Our Immunology program is pursuing investigations aimed at delineating the role of the immune system in the development of high blood pressure. The mechanisms responsible for the blood pressure-lowering actions of lymphokines (hormones of the immune system) and a novel enzyme inhibitor are under study. Evidence continues to build in support of the hypothesis that the immune system is implicated in the development of hypertension. The immunology program is also actively collaborating with the Experimental Cardiology program to establish immunochemical and biochemical markers to distinguish the different cell and tissue types in the heart. Our immunologists are also collaborating with our Gerontology program in an attempt to further elucidate the basis for the life-prolonging effect of interleukin-2 laboratory mice.

Supportive friends

Despite the crisis in biomedical funding at the Federal level, research has remained strong at the Laboratory for many years because of our growing family of "friends". Friends who recognized that the best medical science has to offer is yet to come and that unprecedented opportunities exist for the development of new strategies to extend healthy life and reduce the burden of illness. Friends who through their very generous support became our partners in research. Much of this support came from our Masonic Brothers through the Brotherhood Fund.

Loss of Brotherhood support

Regrettably, Brotherhood support of the Laboratory has declined from 48% of our total budget ten years ago to less than 14% of our budget in 1992, a drop of 71%. This precipitous drop in Brotherhood Fund support of the Laboratory coupled with the unavailability of grant support to some research programs has forced the Laboratory to make some very difficult decisions. These shortfalls dictated the suspension of our Blood Substitute program last year and in the absence of additional support may necessitate the suspension of additional research programs by the end of 1993.

We need help

To all who so generously supported our research efforts in years past, especially our Brothers in the Western Region, we are most grateful. We hope that we have given you reason to be proud. Our scientists are committed to conquering new frontiers in the fight against disease, but they cannot do it without your help. Our ability to search for the treatments and cures of tomorrow will depend on the resolve and capabilities of our scientists, but more importantly on how we choose to support them in this vital effort.

We've only just begun

We have come far, but our journey has just begun. The fight against heart disease, cancer and all the other diseases that afflict humankind must go on. The answers will be forthcoming so long as scientists and clinicians the world over continue to ask the right questions and so long as financial support is within reach.

Danny Thomas, founder of St. Jude Hospital and a Mason said, "Success has nothing to do with what you gain in life or accomplish for yourself. It is what you do for others". What better legacy could we leave our children and grandchildren than a healthier tomorrow.

Please consider a donation to the Masonic Brotherhood Fund today.



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The annual Blue Envelope Appeal gives all of us as Scottish Rite Masons the wonderful opportunity to express our commitment to three great charities - the Scottish Rite Schizophrenia Research Program, the Abbott Scottish Rite Scholarships, and the Scottish Rite Masonic Museum of Our National Heritage.



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On March 11, the Masonic Home launched their newest service for the members of the Fraternity. The ground breaking was held for the 60 unit Apartment Building and the 28,000 square foot Community for the Independent Living Retirement Community.

Well attended

Over 100 men and women - Masonic, Political, Community, and Business Leaders - attended the ceremony. They watched as Grand Master Sheldon K. Blank, Deputy Grand Master Gary A. Henningsen, Trustee President Arthur E. Smith, and Masonic Home Executive Director Richard M. Dowe turned a shovel of dirt at the building site. Everyone then returned to the much warmer Moe Morris Fellowship Hall for lunch and comments by the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Arthur E. Smith, Trustee Frederic A. "Ben" Williams, Richard M. Dowe, and the Supervisor for the Town of Frankfort, Anthony Caruso.

Masonic representation

Other Masonic dignitaries present included Past Grand Masters Bruce Widger, Robert Singer (Grand Secretary), and Roswell Swits; Masonic Home Trustees Bernard Schachter, Henry Coe, III, William Mueller, Michael Brockbank, Louis Rosenthal; Grand Lodge Officers Sandy Samson, Roderick Burris, John Malfatti, Ira Rogers, Charles Bateman; Past Grand Junior Warden Arthur Hartmuller; and First Oneida DDGM Dennis Breheny. The Masonic Medical Research Lab President, Dr. William Harris,

Ground Breaking for I.L.R.C. Unit Held at Utica Home



Grand Master M.W. Sheldon K. Blank and Trustee President, Arthur E. Smith, with the members of Masonry who attended the Ground Breaking for the Independent Living Retirement Community at the Masonic Home in Utica (Photo courtesy Daniel Clarke, Public Relations Coordinator)

Executive Director, Dr. Charles Antzelevitch, and Ronald Kamp. Additionally, several of the area Lodges were also represented.

Spring occupancy

This Community will be open to Master Masons who are members in good standing in a New York State Masonic Lodge and their wives or widows. Applicants must be at least 60 years of age. Scheduling indicates that the buildings will be ready for occupancy next Spring.

Zero Defects

A truism called "Zero Defects" found in a cartoon from *Bell Atlantic World* is interesting. It concerns the proud statement "99.9% correct." It points out this "accuracy" would mean the postal service would lose 17,600 letters each hour; 2,300 incorrect phone numbers would be passed out by Bell Atlantic each day; every day 18 airplanes would crash; Bell Atlantic would misdirect 69,000 calls a day. Why not add your statistics to this? Question: If 99.9% of non-Masonic males

ignore the libel of anti-Masonic fanatics, how many men take them seriously enough to stay out of Freemasonry? (Courtesy The *Philaethes*)

Did You Know?

Unfortunately some Masonic editors approach their jobs with scissors and paste pots as their primary tools. If something has been printed in another magazine, it has to be gospel and therefore it is not necessary that they check it. The following article has been around for more than 60 years and every ten years or so, it is again brought to light.

How Old is Masonry?

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

Dr. Kinnamon then described the unwrapping of the king's mummy and stated that after many layers of fabric had been unwound from its midsection, a Masonic apron was found in its proper place.
(From *New Mexico Freemason*)

Read on!

By the late J.E. Marsengill, former Editor, *Royal Arch Mason*
This man Kinnamon was never in Egypt. Leslie Hall, the Carter expedition's draftsman, stated this in a conversation with me in 1970. Also the work of Dr. James Henry Breasted, of the Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago, which lists all of the men present at the discovery of the mummy, has no record of this man.

As far as the "Masonic" apron goes, The Tomb of Tutankhamen by Howard Carter, in three volumes, has photographs of the unwrapping of the mummy from beginning to end and nothing resembling a Masonic apron appears in these pictures.

Kinnamon made a lot of money lecturing to dumb Masons during his lifetime and it would appear that this type of Mason still exists.

Research in Schizophrenia

By Sidney R. Baxter

Known for years as the major charitable activity of Northern Jurisdiction Scottish Rite, research into the underlying causes of schizophrenia was proposed by Sovereign Grand Commander Melvin Maynard Johnson as he began his service as Sovereign Grand Commander in 1933.

The beginning

The first steps were funded by a grant from Supreme Council funds (\$15,000) in 1934. The thrust of this program was to render a service to humanity which was not being performed in a major way by any other organization and which would be within the ability of the Supreme Council to support. In the half-century that has elapsed, this Scottish Rite program has funded grants to doctors, psychiatrists, psychologists and scientists who are investigating promising leads which will hopefully reveal the basic causes of schizophrenia, the most prevalent and most serious form of mental illness.

We need support

Funded directly at first from Supreme Council funds, more recent years have seen the program supported by the Supreme Council Benevolent Foundation which conducts an annual fund-raising effort among Northern Jurisdiction Scottish Rite members located in the 15-state area. Starting from a small beginning in 1934, more than \$10,000,000 has now been channeled into support of schizophrenia research investigations. In 1985, contributions allocated to this research amounted to \$895,988.

Research grants

No hospitals, clinics or institutional facilities have been built or operated by the Scottish Rite Schizophrenia Program. Rather, grants are made directly to investigators who work in leading university and hospital laboratories in the United States and abroad. The steady growth of the Benevolent Foundation through the generosity of Scottish Rite members and friends through the years has allowed an on-going expansion of the research efforts.

Dr. Richard A. Kern, 33°

Dr. Richard A. Kern, 33°, who became an Active Member of the Supreme Council in 1947, was honored by being awarded the Gourgas Medal in 1966. In 1972, he was elected as Honorary Sovereign Grand Commander and did much to supervise and promote this research project. Dr. Kern became chairman of the Committee on Benevolences and for over 30 years contributed a great deal to the progress made in this program. His approach to Scottish Rite Charity is reflected in this statement: "Money used for services, no matter how urgent the need for those services, once spent, is gone. But money wisely spent for research produces benefits that work for all people for all time."

Golf: the Masonic Game

By Thomas J. Berry, MPS

In 1977, two journalists were invited to write the history of the Royal Blackheath Golf Club, the oldest golf club in England. Their research into its 400-year past clearly shows that the Freemasons were closely and intimately tied to this historic club. They

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first found that the minutes of the Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers of July 2, 1768, show that the Grand Master Mason of Scotland, watched by the members of the Golfing Company, who were all Masons, laid the foundation stone of the new clubhouse. The names of all the members present, including their Masonic rank, were included in the minutes. Among them was Alexander Duncan, Master Mason, who was a former Captain of the R. & A., and Captain of the Royal Blackheath.

Blackheath, where the early membership was predominantly Scottish, is closely linked with Freemasonry. The early minutes are missing, but fortunately the account books have survived. They show that the members were called Brother, and that the club was incorporated as a Masonic Lodge. The accounts also show the purchase of Masonic jewels and aprons over a period of 200 years.

The Royal Blackheath was instituted in 1608. It is believed that the Freemason members of the club burned all the early minutes and records so that their secrets should not be discovered.

Now, Brethren, if you want to have a round of golf, you can just tell your wives that you are off to attend your Masonic duties.

Source: Ian T. Henderson and David I. Stirk: *Royal Blackheath*. Manningham Press, 1981. (Courtesy *The Philaethes*).

How important is a Masonic Funeral

Ask this question of a dozen different Brethren of their families and you will get a dozen different answers. Any one of which is a good reason for having, or not having a Masonic funeral for a deceased Brother.

Don't be proud

It is my belief, however, whether a Brother has been active or not in our Fraternity has no bearing on it. The chances are he has spent the better part of his adult life as a just and upright Mason, paying dues each year and contributing to his Lodge by doing so, and by being proud to be a Mason. But being too proud to ask for charity as most of us are, even when we might be destitute. A Brother for the same reason, maybe too proud to ask his Lodge for a Masonic Funeral in advance or to notify his family of his wishes as we all never wish to talk about that time when we are called to the Grand Lodge above.

I believe that a Brother being in good standing by paying his dues in itself is a request for any and all benefits given by his Masonic Lodge and therefore, the family should, as well as his Lodge, assume it is the Brother's wish unless he specifically requested otherwise. Also, the families' belief in the power of prayer and life everlasting as our ritual states (in the bright morning of the world's resurrection, may his soul spring into newness of life and expand into immortal beauty in realms beyond the skies).

The last, and maybe the most important reason is for the Lodge and the Brethren of the Fraternity to pay their final respects and to honor him with such a beautiful service.

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MEMORIZATION---A MASONIC FETISH! AND IT'S DESTROYING US!

By John R. Nocas, FPS
Memory test

What is wrong with Masonry? This question is asked over and over again as our leaders bemoan the decline in membership. Hundreds of high-level meetings have been held throughout the Country to find out what is wrong with Masonry! Its principles stand out as shining beacons of light in a world of moral decay...and will continue to do so until time shall be no more.

Change

Why, then, the decline in membership and the closure of so many Lodges? The answer stares us in the face, but we are unwilling to face it because if we do it means CHANGE-that unspeakable work in Masonry.

Memorize

We've lost hundreds of Masons this century because we insist candidates MEMORIZE. We say it is the "internal" qualities that make one a Mason. Not so; if he can't or won't memorize, regardless of his character, leadership ability or standing in the Community, we don't want him and send him packing. There are thousands and thousands of "First Degree" Masons in this country to whom we owe a great apology. They passed the necessary moral qualifications to become a Mason, we presented them with the badge of a Mason, the Lambskin Apron, and then threw them out because they didn't pass the MEMORY test. Shameful!

Now is the time to put a stop to this questionable memory qualification to proceed in Masonry. All that is needed is a one-session review of the First Degree, perhaps a couple of items to be memorized, and then on to the Fellowcraft Degree. We have an excellent precedent for this. In England, the First Degree memory proficiency can be learned in one evening. No roadblock there!

Where are the Officers?

A serious problem. Why do Lodges merge? Not because of lack of members (my Lodge merged with some 300 members) or lack of money, for most have thousands or even hundreds of thousands of dollars. Why do they merge? Because they can't get officers! Thousands of today's Lodges are manned by Past Masters...all doomed to eventually close. Simply put, most Lodge members will not do the memorizing necessary to become a Senior Deacon or Junior Warden. Many of our members are dedicated and have administrative ability, but are disqualified from holding an office because they can't or don't have the time to memorize the lectures.

Options

The answer is obvious... but it is a Twenty-First Century answer and we won't accept it now. We must make it optional for qualified officers and members to READ the lectures and charges. I suggest Schools of Instruction in how to speak well and READ well in Lodge. With the type blown up, high lecterns (so the

speaker can face the audience) and loudspeakers (so everyone can hear) well-read lectures might be a great improvement over the often mumbled and stumbled memorized lectures. The Middle Chamber Lecture, given from the East, could be enjoyed by sideliners; not always the case now. Further, there are many in the cast for the Third Degree. Why not add another (one who knows it well and enjoys doing it) to give the obligation...thus no stumbling and prompting altar.

Working together

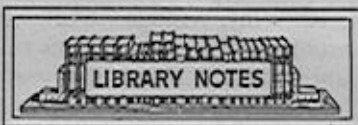
Put the above together...WE CAN GET OFFICERS TO MAN OUR LODGES. Where are many officers and members in every Lodge who can read well and thus take care of lectures. We have plenty of members with dedication and administrative ability to become officers and confer Degrees if only it wasn't compulsory to memorize long lectures. Are we going to continue telling them to "get lost, who needs you"?

All Grand Lodges should give serious thought to the optional reading of lectures and this stop the tragic closures and consolidation of our Lodges. Incidentally, a welcome boon to this would be the easier opening and formation of new Lodges. Perhaps instead of accepting the gradual decline in our membership, stoically and helplessly, we should accept the challenge of expanding to every city in our great country. Or, should we do nothing but talk and wail?

"Fetish"

In closing, one of the definitions in Webster's dictionary of the word "fetish" is "anything held in unreasoning devotion". Does this apply to the importance Masons place in memorizing?

(Reprinted courtesy of *The Philalethes* 1991, as a piece from R.:W.: and Dr. John H. Stelter who asks "is this too hot to handle?") We see it as a "points to ponder" item to stimulate thinking and discussions among our Brethren. Thanks for sharing it Brother Stelter.



Livingston Masonic Library and Museum Seeks Old Masonic Catalogs

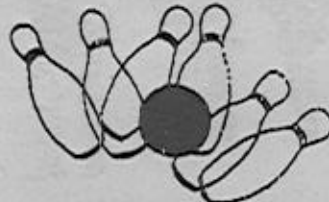
Are there old Masonic catalogs hiding in the back corner of the closet in your Masonic Temple? How about in your Lodge's lockers and file cabinets? These old catalogs, which were used to sell regalia, jewelry, and even furniture, are important sources of information for studying the history of the Fraternity. Important insights about the material heritage of the Craft can be gained from these publications which are often found forgotten and unvalued among the rubble of Masonic Temples.

The Livingston Masonic Library and Museum is currently seeking to expand its already strong holdings of Masonic catalogs. Publications from regalia firms, like M.C. Lilley & Co.; jewelry retailers, like C.G. Braxmar Co.; and manufacturers of Ma-

sonic furniture like Shaw & Applin, would be valuable additions to the Library & Museum's collections. Although our primary collecting focus is Masonic materials, catalogs related to other fraternal organizations will also be welcome for the light which they shed upon the manufacture and sale of Masonic materials. The Library & Museum is particularly interested in catalogs from the period before 1950.

If you or your Lodge has old catalogs which you would like to donate to the Library & Museum, or if you would like to make a financial donation to support the acquisition of catalogs, please contact William D. Moore, Director, Livingston Masonic Library & Museum, 71 West 23rd Street, New York, New York, 10010-4171.

Masonic Gothic Bowling League



John J. Flynn, Secretary
227-6106

By the time you read this, the Masonic Gothic Bowling League's 1991-92 Season will be history. It is time to turn our thoughts to next season. The League has signed a contract to again bowl at Maiden Lanes on Wednesday evening at 8:30 p.m. We will have openings for individuals to fill vacancies on existing teams. Anyone interested in bowling next Fall, please contact me at the above telephone number. Anyone with a full five-man team can also contact me in case any teams decide not to return.

A number of league members have again rolled impressive scores this past month. These include Al Kerber-642 (including games of 256 and 226), Rich A. Ehrne-635 (205,209,221), Mike Fedele-618 (238), Rex Edwards Jr.-612 (229,223), Dick Topel-611 (238,220), Richard Flanagan-608 (214,185,209), Charles Gillens-606 (193, 189, 224), Dale Ehrne-602 (223,188,191), and Mike Bell-600 (237).

Individual games of note include Heinz Gunkel-242, Ron Hauck-238 and 232, Jim Nickolini-233, Gerry Glaser-232, Dick Topel-227, Richard Moller-226, Rich P. Ehrne-221, Bud Crane-219, Dave Mawhiney-216, John Kunz-215, and Warham Quinlan-215.

ABC patches have also been earned by league members. Jay McCullough bowled a 174 all spare game and Tony Mack had a 148 triplicate.

The League Banquet will be held Wednesday, April 14th at the Elks Club in Webster. Cosmo Pusateri will again serve as chef.

We are still free

An important message comes from *The Cryptic Freemason*. Dr. Ron Ford, Pastor of Central Baptist Church in North Little Rock, Arkansas, announced: "We are still a free, autonomous church, not directed by the actions of the Southern Baptist Convention...Masons of our congregation should not feel any attack on

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them because of the actions on the national level." Dr. Ford, not a Freemason, also said: "What has been touted as nothing more than an attack on Liberalism and those who believe in the Bible has not shown it is more. We are moving in the direction of a spirit which is uglier and meaner while our world needs the lover of Christ. The question in my mind is, who will be next?" The good Pastor has nothing good to say about the purported savior of SBC, "a medical doctor from Beaumont, Texas, (who) led the fight against Dr. Leon McBeth's history book about the Sunday School Board (and who) eventually had the book banned and destroyed." And this Texas MD calls himself a Christian?!! (Courtesy *The Philalethes*)

Can You Do it Alone?

The following story was originally related by R.:W.: Thomas Paglia. It seems it was one he had heard at a Graduation Exercise. The source is therefore obscure.

The story goes like this:
I am writing in response to your request concerning Block No. 11 wherein I put "trying to do the job alone". You said you needed more information, so I trust the following will be sufficient.

Left over bricks

I am a bricklayer by trade, and on the date of injuries, I was working alone laying brick around the top of a four-story building, when I realized that I had about 500 lbs. of brick left over. Rather than carry the bricks down by hand, I decided to put them into a barrel, and lower them by a pulley, which was fastened to the top of the building. I secured the end of the rope at ground level, and went up to the top of the building, loaded the bricks into the barrel and flung the barrel out with the bricks in it. I then went down and untied the rope, holding it securely to insure the slow descent of the barrel.

Presence of mind

As you will note on Block no. 6 of the insurance form, I weigh 145 lbs. Due to my shock at being jerked off the ground so swiftly by the 500 pounds of bricks in the barrel, I lost my presence of mind, and forgot to let go of the rope.

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floors, I met the barrel coming down. This accounts for the bruises and lacerations on my upper body. Regaining my presence of mind, I again held tightly to the rope, and proceeded rapidly up the side of the building, not stopping until my right hand was jammed in the pulley. This accounts for my broken thumb. Despite the pain, I retained my presence of mind and held tightly to the rope. At approximately the same time, the barrel hit the ground, and the bottom fell out of the barrel.

Another meeting

Devoid of the weight of the bricks, the barrel now weighed about 50 pounds. I again refer you to Block no. 6 and my weight. As you would guess, I began a rapid descent. In the vicinity of the second floor, I met the barrel coming up. This explains the injuries to my legs and lower body. Slowed only slightly, I continued my descent, landing on the pile of bricks. Fortunately, my back was only sprained, and the internal injuries were only minimal.

Did it again

I am sorry to report, however, that at this point I again lost my presence of mind and let go of the rope. As you can imagine, the empty barrel crashed down on me, breaking my nose, and causing further injuries.

I trust this answers your concern. Please know that I am finished "trying to do the job alone".

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By Dean F. Marsaw, Secretary

Reminder

Ladies Night will be at Bosdyk's on Sunday, April 28, 1993. Social hour is at 4:00 p.m. and dinner at 4:30 p.m. A letter will be sent out for your reservations, which must be made by April 3rd, and paid for by April 14th.

We look forward to seeing you there enjoying the fellowship and sharing in the good times we have.

Regretfully, letters will not be sent to those who have not paid their 1993 dues by April 3rd. Give support

Let's all give our new Chairman Len Gessin 100% backing. Step forward with a call to help him whenever needed. His phone number is 1-229-5470. □

Past Master's Supper Club
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R.: W.: Robert Sanford
292-6383

By W.: Ron Morthorst

An open invitation to all Past Masters in our area-come out for a social evening of food and conversation. We meet the 4th Friday of every month (except July, August, December and holiday weekends) with a speaker at most meetings.

Meeting place

We are very fortunate to have a group such as this in our midst. If you have not thought about coming to our monthly meeting at the Redmen's Club, 1600 Lexington Avenue, ask a fellow Past Master and come together. There is a social hour from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., and then we order dinner off the menu. The meeting is usually over about 9:00 p.m.

The next meeting is April 23rd. For your personal reservation, call R.: W.: Bob Sanford at 292-6383. □

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by Michael Israel

Koan

Goso, a new member entered our Chapter room, and heard the Master Councilor say, "...we need new members, we have planned dances and dinners to attract new kinsmen to be our Brothers. I cannot enlighten people in the ways of DeMolay if more boys do not join. On Sunday, we will install people in Albany. It is always nice to help out. I invite new kids between 13-21 to attend our meetings as guests. Our meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Fridays at 7:30 p.m. We are usually finished by 11 p.m.

Tozon asked, "What fun things will we do to enlighten new boys into the study of DeMolay?"

The Master Councilor states, "We are going to go see the Harlem Globetrotters play a basketball game and will soon go to a dance."

Mumon's Commentary

We always allow future members to visit us at our meetings. We either go to a dance, a dinner or something else that is fun. If you are looking for a good time and good friends, come and see us.

Mumon's Poem

DeMolay's need more people at fund raisers.

We cannot enlighten our new members, if we can't get them.

We need to raise money to afford: dances, dinners, get to know you night, or fellowship weekends.

New guests can come for refreshments.

Come and we'll have fun.

Help us out, come to our pro-

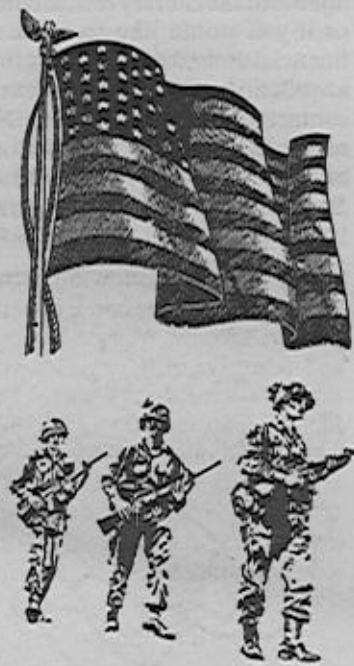
ceedings.

Come be enlightened in the way of DeMolay.

We Need Projects

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

Call the Master Councilor from any Masonic or Eastern Star group at anytime! □



VAMC

Canandaigua, NY

By W.: Harold Bollotin

Next visit

The regularly scheduled ward visit to the Canandaigua VA Medical Center, Sunday, March 14th was cancelled do to inclement weather. The next scheduled visit is on Sunday, April 18th when we meet in Building 5 at 1:30 p.m.

Come for breakfast

Prior to the visit, we shall partake of an excellent breakfast at the Canandaigua Masonic Temple.

Volunteers are needed!

Due to illness and other factors, our ranks are dwindling. Please make an effort to join us. Call R.: W.: Tom Paglia at 227-2046. He will be most happy to hear from you. □

Hi-Lights

Order of the Eastern Star

District of Monroe, State of New York

By Rt. Wthy. James E. Comstock

The Past Grand Officers Association, Monroe District, met at the Fairport Masonic Temple on February 25th. Rt. Wthy. Sue Ann Goosens, District Deputy Grand Matron, Rt. Wthy. Charles Spiegel, Jr., District Grand Lecturer and Rt. Wthy. Edna Monell, Associate Grand Marshal, were received in membership. This ceremony is simple, brief and most of all, reminds us that our service to the Order does not end with the term of our appointments.



Rt. Wthy. Sue Ann Goosens, Deputy Grand Matron, Monroe District



Rt. Wthy. Charles C. Spiegel, Jr. Assistant Grand Lecturer, Monroe District

New officers

Rt. Wthy. William Zufall was installed as President of this organization for the ensuing year. Rt. Wthy. Alta Doty was seated as First Vice-President, Rt. Wthy. Betty Hoag as Second Vice-President and Rt. Wthy. Dean Marsaw (hayseed) as Third Vice-President. Rt. Wthy. Erna Jean

Walker is Secretary and Rt. Wthy. Lynn Springer is Treasurer.

Contributions needed

The Money Tree for the Share Booth at Oriskany was started. Association members should send their contribution to Rt. Wthy. Lynn at 92 Gates Manor Drive, Rochester, NY 14606.

April meeting

The next meeting of the Past Grand Officers Association will be held at the East Rochester Masonic Temple on Thursday, April 22nd; dinner at 6:30 p.m., hosted by the Carol Lang Club.

Successful sharing

The Reception for Wanda V. Williams, Associate Grand Matron, Order of the Eastern Star, State of New York, was a huge success. The thought behind this reception was "to bring the Masonic Family together and share each others aspirations", was fostered by Rt. Wthy. Bruce Palmer and was very well received by Masons and Masonic affiliates. Over 70 people, representing the Shrine, Grotto, Caldron, Royal Arch Masons and Constellation attended. Rt. Wthy. Delores Hargraves, Commissioner of Appeals-West, Order of the Eastern Star, and Rt. Wthy. Albert Parshall, Associate Grand Patron, Order of the Eastern Star, were in attendance as were several Monroe District Grand Officers, representing M.: W.: Sheldon K. Blank, Grand Master of Masons, State of New York.

In addition, Rt. Wthy's Bruce Palmer, Erna Jean Walker, Val Johnson, Wthy's Linda Zahn and Joy Woodley are to be commended for this fine reception.

Invite friends and neighbors

Wanda's Peaches continue to meet on the first Wednesday of each month and continue to serve Spaghetti Dinners on the first Friday of each month. We urge all members to attend the meeting and to spread the word inviting friends and neighbors to the dinners. We are nearing the end of a long trek. Let's keep our enthusiasm high!

Next Peaches meeting, April 7th, next dinner, April 2nd. Mark your calendars. □

Mrs. Linda Ferguson, Junior Deputy of Fidelity Triangle No. 4 cordially invites you to the Public Installation of Beloved Queen Elect Melissa Marie DuBois and her officers on Saturday, the tenth day of April nineteen hundred and ninety-three at eight o'clock in the evening. Masonic Temple Doric Hall, third floor 875 East Main Street Rochester, New York

Holly Gorall Beloved Queen

Melissia DuBois Beloved Queen Elect

R. S. V. P. by April 1, 1993

Ms. and Mrs. Kenneth Rhodes 621-6051

Fidelity Triangle No. 4



Holly Gorall Beloved Queen 458-5255

2nd & 4th Saturdays

By Amy Lynch, Jr. Advisor, Monroe District
Happy Easter!!
Congratulations to Mr. Bertie and his officers; I hope you have a wonderful and successful time in office.

Happy returns!

Thank you to Monroe Chapter No. 57 for allowing us to serve

your Birthday Banquet. Happy 110th!

All invited

The 27th of March Fidelity Triangle initiated a few new members whose names will be introduced in the next issue.

Good time

On March 20th, we were invited to Lea Court Chapter's Fifties Dance. We all had a blast. Thank you again.

Welcome

April 10th is our open Installation of Beloved Queen-elect Melissa DuBois and her officers. It will be at 8:00 p.m. in Doric Hall, Downtown Masonic Temple.

Wanted

Girls between the ages of 11-21 to have fun, meet new people and help others by helping yourself.

If anyone is interested, please contact our present Beloved Queen Holly Gorall at the number above or our Jr. Deputy Mrs. Linda Ferguson. □

Order of the Eastern Star Thoughts from the Assoc. Grand Matron

Rt. Wthy. Wanda V. Williams

I would like to extend my heartfelt appreciation to Rt. Wthy. Bruce Palmer and his Committee, for the lovely reception given me on February 14th at Webster Lodge. It was truly delightful to meet and greet so many people from the various Masonic and Order of the Eastern Star organizations in Monroe District.

I was especially pleased to have Rt. Wthy. Albert Parshall, Associate Grand Patron-Albany, Schenectady, Rensselaer District, and Rt. Wthy. Delores Hargraves, Commissioner of Appeals West, Livingston District, attend. It is my hope that this will engender a feeling of mutual fellowship and coordination in the Monroe Districts.

Reorganization

In still another effort to strengthen our Order, I suggested to Rt. Wthy. Bill Zufall, President of the Past Grand Officers Association, that the Past Patrons Association be reorganized. In response to this, Rt. Wthy. Bill appointed a committee of Rt. Wthy. Kenneth Rhodes (Chr.), Rt. Wthy. William Baxter, Bruce Palmer and Charles Spiegel (ex-officio) to work on this suggestion.

Ideas welcome

This committee has met, reviewed the By-laws of the Association and have planned an organizational meeting, which will be at the Masonic Lodge in Penfield, NY on April 29th at

7:30 p.m. I urge all "Gentlemen" of the Order of the Eastern Star to attend. The revitalization of this Association is a big step forward in strengthening our District. Please make every attempt to attend this meeting. Each individual's input is desired and needed to promote the success of this endeavor.

I look forward to greeting each of you as our Official Visits progress.

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny



By Donna Hiler Webster Chapter No. 171 O.E.S.

will be sponsoring Breakfast with the Easter Bunny on Saturday, April 3rd. It will be from 9:00 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. at the Webster Masonic Temple on Orchard Street.

We will be serving a Pancake and Sausage breakfast for \$3.50. Children under 5 are free.

Reservations

For reservations call Donna Hiler at 524-3439, Joy Woodley at 671-6152, or Marion Thompson at 265-4502. No reservations after Monday, March 28th.

Wanda's Peaches
 SPAGHETTI DINNER
Webster Temple
Friday, April 2nd
 4:30 to 7:00 p.m.
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by Wthy. Avis Theis

Cancellation

"Old Man Winter" forced us to cancel our Official visit in February. We now look forward to a new date for our Official Visit in Spring, May 18th.

Get well wishes

We hope the following members will feel better come Spring: Sis. Ora Combs, Wthy. Zim Sage and Wthy. Bernie Riley. Get well wishes are sent along to our Wthy. Matron Jean's sister who has had surgery. To our Past Grands, Rt. Wthy. Norman Vail and Rt. Wthy. Ellis Erickson, we send our caring thoughts. We miss all our members and hope to see you, come the nice weather.

April meetings

Our April meetings are on the 6th and 20th. The committee will be Wthy. Carol Wynings and Sis. Mary Ann Sovocool.

Bake Sale

The Bake Sale will be held on April 9th at the Fleet Bank in Churchville beginning at 9:30 a.m. If you can spare the time to help, please do so.

Our Lord has written the promise of resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf of Springtime.

Happy Easter.

HiLights
Order of the Eastern Star
GENESSEE-WYOMING DISTRICT
 Rt. Wthy. Leone Nicoll
 District Deputy
 494-2148

The beautiful sunshine that we have been having lately perks me up to the fact that we are on the last end of having anything to do with "Ole Man Winter" and are opening ourselves to warm sunshine, Spring weather and getting together with our Sisters and Brothers of the OES. Many of the "snow birds" will be returning to our areas and hopefully looking forward to attending Official Visits in our District and surrounding Districts.

Loving attitude

There is nothing like the bond that you find in the OES, whether in your own Chapter or in a Chapter you're visiting. If you go filled with love, friendship, fellowship and enjoy the company of your Sisters and Brothers, you will come away filled with overflowing. You will get out of any meeting or get together just exactly what you put into it.

This is what helps you to find those "hurting people" that are looking for the warm handclasp and "hug" of someone who cares about them. So, "reach out in love" and begin to build up your membership by talking with

people and telling them about OES, their projects and things they do for people.

Fun time

If you have a Secret Pal, I hope you sent a St. Patrick's day card to them and started them guessing who it could be! You know, but they don't?? Don't forget an Easter card, eggs or an Easter bunny! Enjoy!

Distress

It seems that I have attended the funeral of one of our Past Grand Officers every month starting in January. In March I went to Perry for the funeral of Rt. Wthy. Ward Slocum. He was not only a special Brother in the OES, but I had known him for many years. I was not able to get to the funeral of Earl Dickinson from the Batavia Chapter because of the "weather". These deaths are great losses to our District.

Grand plans

We had Study Club in Perry March 21st. Plans have begun for the Grand Official Visit of our M. Wthy. Elizabeth F. Portman, Grand Matron and M. Wthy. Robert E. Devling, Grand Patron. Their visit is on June 4th at the Methodist Church, Lewiston Road, Batavia, NY.

Official Visits

As I mentioned earlier, I'm looking forward to sunny, warm weather as Rt. Wthy. Tim and I start our Official Visits in April. We had to change our Official

Visit to Pike, as some of their "snow birds" were late in returning, but it is no problem and weatherwise, it will probably be for the best! The April dates and places are:

- Apr. 9-Java Village
- Apr. 20-Perry
- Apr. 26-Bergen.

I am willing to help you begin to look for and add new members to your Chapters. Be sure the Secretaries have petitions and the Q & A brochure in hand ready to put into action. Let's show our Grand Matron we are anxious to help her and support her in every way, by having good turn outs at our Official visits, and sharing with one another.

Thankful

I am looking forward to making some State Official Visits, weather and health permitting. I have been doing much better and thank the Lord every day for my blessings.

Think Spring

Don't let anyone catch you April 1st with jokes, but if you want to pull a teeny one, be my guest! Have a wonderful Easter and start pulling out the "Spring clothes", ready for an exciting time in OES, starting with Official Visit on April 9th.

Again, if you need us, call us and be sure to help out with any projects. We love you! Consider yourself "hugged" and God Bless!

In Memoriam

January

Nuessle, Frederick A.
 Frederick had been in declining health for many years before his death on January 10, 1993. He was a 50 year member of Towpath Lodge No. 163, a member of Hiram Chapter No. 62, RAM, Cyrene Commandery, and Royal Order of Jesters, Columbia Court No. 177. He is survived by his wife Mary, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Whitlock, J. Emory
 Bro. Whitlock passed away January 26, 1993, at his home in Mission Viejo, California. He was a 58 year member of Warsaw Lodge No. 549.

February

Childs, Hobart L.
 At the age of 92 years, Hobart died February 3, 1993, at the home of his daughter in Michigan. He was a member of Batavia Lodge No. 475 since 1919.

Kinney, David O.
 David was a member of Charlotte-Corinthian Lodge No. 1088 and died February 19, 1993. He is survived by his sister and other dear relatives.

Hagadish, Joseph (Woody)
 Joseph was a member of Fame Lodge No. 945 and passed away February 20, 1993. He is survived by his wife Nira, children, grandchildren and other family members.

Pixley, Allen S.
 In Port St. Lucie, FL, Allen died on February 20, 1993. He had been a member of Henrietta Lodge No. 562 for over 60 years and was a member of Lalla Rookh Grotto. He is survived by

his wife Dorothy, children and grandchildren.

March

McQuat, George C.
 Valley-Simes Lodge No. 109 lost a member on March 1, 1993, when George passed away. He is survived by his wife Isabelle, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Lee, Benita B.
 Benita was a member of Sunshine Chapter No. 730, OES and died March 2, 1993. She is survived by her daughter, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Watkins, Joseph T.
 Joseph was a member of Towpath Lodge No. 163 and passed away March 5, 1993. He is survived by many family members.

Eggiman, Herman E.
 On March 10, 1993, Herman joined the Great Architect of the Universe. He was a member of Craftsman Lodge No. 969 and is survived by his children and grandchildren.

Brion, Harold C.
 Harold expired on March 12, 1993 and is survived by his wife Kathryn and other family members. He was a member of John A. Robertson Lodge No. 1032.

Karweick, Leonard Frank
 Death claimed Leonard on March 14, 1993. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Lillian, and other family members. Leonard was a member of Valley-Simes No. 109, Rochester Consistory, Damascus Temple, and Lalla Rookh Grotto.

Mufford, Estelle Holt
 Estelle died March 17, 1993 and is survived by her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She has been a member of Mary Jane Holmes Chapter OES since 1928.





(Left to right) Rt. Wthy. Delores Hargraves, Com. of Appeals, NY West, Rt. Wthy. Wanda V. Williams, Assoc. Gr. Matron of New York State, Rt. Wthy. Albert Parshall, Assoc. Gr. Patron of New York State



(Left to right) R.W.: Paul Moore, DDGM 1st Mo., R.W.: Joseph Privitera, DDGM 2nd Mo., R.W.: David Clarke, Pres. Masonic Service Bureau, R.W.: Fred Nielsen, husband of Rt. Wthy. Bernice Nielsen, Gr. Rep. of the Grand Chapter of the State of Mississippi.

Calendar April 1993

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	 Seder setting			1 Hesperus - Bergen Webster Constellation - Perry Northfield - Pittsford Scottish Rite Reunion 7:30 p.m. - 8 th Vig. & 14 th RAM - Western Star, Batavia, OES - Oatka, Lea Ct.	2 Monroe Commandery DeMolay - Charlotte Constellation-Perry - Fish Fry Scottish Rite Reunion 7:30 p.m. - 16 th	3 Scottish Rite Reunion 9:30 a.m. - 17 th & 18 th 12:30 p.m. - 19 th & 32 th Breakfast with the Easter Bunny Webster Temple- 9:00 a.m. OES - Rochester Chapter
4 Francie Hitchcock Shay - Constellation Al Sigi Center-25th Anniv. Celebration-Sibley's Palm Sunday	5 Passover - Sundown John A. Robertson West Star - Varysburg OES - Irondequoit, Etolan, Germania Shrine Lunch Club	6 Germania - 3 rd Craftsman Charlotte/Corinthian - "Bring a Friend" Clio - Hilton Valley/Simes Towpath - E. Rochester Oakland - Castile Warsaw OES - Nola, Fairport, Webster, Monroe	7 Olive Branch - LeRoy Attica - Ladies Night RAM - 3X3 Shrine	8 Maundy Thursday Flower City - 1 st Eagle Valley Henrietta Etolan Batavia Commandery RAM - Hiram Caldron	9 Good Friday Castile - Fish Fry Cyrene Commandery RAM - Arcade	10 Daughters of the Nile Fidelity Triangle
11  Easter	12 Etolan - Spencerport Fairport Union Star - Hon. Falls Wakan/Hubbard Mt. Vernon - Java ERAC - E. Rochester - Prince Hall Visit RAM - Livonia OES - Charlotte, M.J. Holmes, Fellowship Shrine Lunch Club	13 Passover ends Sundown Fame - Irondequoit Henrietta Monroe - Brockport Seneca - Webster - 3 rd Valley/Simes - Fellowcraft Arcade Batavia Craftsman - Fellowcraft OES Leah	14 Churchville Oatka - Scottsville Triluminar - Pike RAM - Webster - MM & PM Degrees OES - Corinthian, Culver, Henrietta	15 Northfield - Pittsford - 3 rd Webster - 3 rd Constellation - Perry Hesperus - Bergen ERAC - 3 rd Rehearsal RAM - Western Star- Batavia OES - Oatka, Lea Ct.	16 Monroe Commandery DeMolay - Charlotte	17 OES - Rochester Chapter RAM - Seminar - Livonia Germania- Ladies Night - Redmen's Club
18 Seneca Lodge - "Bring a Friend", Monroe Golf Club	19 John A. Robertson West Star - Varysburg OES - Irondequoit, Germania, Etolan RAM - Livonia - MEM Degree	20 Charlotte/Corinthian Clio - Hilton Craftsman Towpath - E. Rochester Oakland - Castile Warsaw OES - Fairport, Monroe, Nola, Webster Grotto - Patrol	21 Attica Olive Branch - LeRoy - 1 st RAM - 3X3 Doric Council Grotto	22 Eagle Valley - Biles Batavia Commandery RAM - Hiram - HRA Degree Tall Cedars of Lebanon	23 Cyrene Commandery Past Master's Supper Club	24 ERAC - Degree Fest Annual Scottish Rite Banquet Holiday Inn Airport Clio - Ox Roast Webster - Ladies Night - Country Party House Cryptic School of Ritual
25	26 Fairport Wakan/Hubbard John A. Robertson Etolan - Spencerport ERAC - E. Rochester Union Star - 3 rd OES - Charlotte, M.J. Holmes, Fellowship Shrine Lunch Club	27 Monroe - Brockport Fame - Irondequoit Henrietta Arcade Batavia Valley/Simes - 2 nd Grotto - Patrol OES - Leah, Hilton	28 Churchville Oatka - Scottsville Triluminar - Pike Interlodge Fellowship Comm. - Downtown Masonic Temple OES - Corinthian, Culver	29	30	

Masonic Activities Looking Ahead

To make additions, call the Service Bureau at
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1993

May 3-4	GRAND LODGE OF NY - Rochester
May 6	Scottish Rite - Election of Officers
May 20	OES Grand Matrons Visit
May 21	Joint Investiture, Downtown Masonic Temple
Jun. 10	Monroe Purple Club Elections
Jun. 16-18	Grotto National Convention, Rochester, NY
Jun. 18-20	St. John's Weekend, Utica
Jul. 4-24	Camp Turk, Boys
Jul. 16-18	Scottish Rite Council of Deliberation, Binghamton
Jul. 24	OES Pilgrimage, Oriskany
Jul. 25-Aug. 14	Camp Turk, Girls
Aug. 14	Police and Fire Square Club, Bushman's Cabin, Henrietta Town Park
Aug. 20	Scottish Rite Annual Outing
Aug. 21-22	Grand Lodge Officers, Camp Turk
Aug. 27-28	Grand Council Cryptic Masons, Schenectady
Aug. 29-Sept. 1	Scottish Rite Supreme Council, Boston, MA
Sept. 17-19	Grand Conclave, Knights Templar at Grand Island, Holiday Inn
Oct. 7	Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Awards Night
Oct. 11-14	Grand Sessions, OES, Niagara Falls, NY
Oct. 15	Scottish Rite Ladies Night
Oct. 30	Western Region Seminar
Nov. 4	Scottish Rite Family Life Week Program
Nov. 7	Interfaith Service and Breakfast
Nov. 18-20	Scottish Rite Fall Reunion
Nov. 30	Fellowship Dinner, Buffalo

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Where will he be this month?

The Grand Master's Calendar for April

By R. W. Roderick P. Burris,
Grand Marshal

April 1	Feast of the Paschal Lamb Valley of New York Dinner 5:30 p.m. Service 8:00 p.m., Dress Tux
April 2	Suffolk District Testimonial Dinner
April 3 & 4	2nd Manhattan for Hap Galfunt, Hanover Marriott, Whippany, N.J.
April 4	Feast of the Paschal Lamb Valley of Albany Dinner 5:45 p.m. Service 7:30 p.m.
April 8 - 11	Lehighon, PA
April 13	Anchor Astoria No. 729 College Pt., NY
April 16	Old 17th District, Albany, NY
April 18	Jefferson Jefferson Lewis Square Club Watertown Service Asbury Methodist Breakfast at Temple
April 25	Cortlandville No. 470 Temple Dedication

Community Support

 Community support includes all the things in which Masonic Lodges actively participate in contributing to the good and benefit of their communities. Notable examples include our support for Muscular Dystrophy, Diabetes and Cancer programs nationally, and the many thousands of community events conducted in essentially every town or city that comprises a local Blue Lodge. These activities occur because individual Masons have been inspired to greater service by the teachings of their Craft. Scholarship and Youth activities are widespread among the Masonic Community. Our interest has always been in education, and nowhere is it better evidenced that in the tens of thousands of scholarships we provide each year. Grants for undergraduate and graduate students; for special

Help!

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Help!!!

We are in dire need of volunteers to clean "Home Care" equipment for the Masonic Service Bureau Loan Program

If you have a couple of hours during the week that you could spare, it would be gratefully appreciated. Bring along a friend!

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fields of study, such as government, business education and international affairs. Special foundations for the Prevention of Alcohol and Drug Abuse among children, Blind Student scholarships, Nursing programs and a myriad of other activities supporting American youth. □



Young Black Men Are Dying...

Saturday, April 3rd - 8:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 4th - If needed

Michael Cord

& Friends

Thursday, April 15th - 7:30 p.m.

R.T.O.S.

Saturday, April 17th - 8:15 p.m. □

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