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## M.:W.: Robert C. Singer, Grand Secretary, Passes

"The 100,000 New York State Freemasons mourn the passing of their Grand Secretary and Past Grand Master, a man of vision and devotion to the Craft, who for more than three decades...advanced the public image of this Fraternity through his creative genius as an astute writer, speaker and executive."

M.:W.: Gary A. Henningsen,  
Grand Master

"It is important for the Masons in the Monroes to remember the dedication and service that he showed to our area during his years as Grand Master and beyond."

R.:W.: Richard Friedman,  
DDGM, 1st Monroe District

By Robert C. Pettit

New York Masons mourn the passing of one of our greats, Grand Secretary and Past Grand Master, M.:W.: Robert C. Singer, who was called Home by the Great Architect on November 6th, of an apparent heart attack, after a long and distinguished Masonic and civic career.

We will keenly miss him in this area where he was a frequent visitor. He loved to come here and more than once said that he had come to feel that Rochester was a second home-town to him.

### Masonic Career

M.:W.: Brother Singer's Masonic career began with his being raised in Publicity Lodge No. 1000 of the Fourth Manhattan District in 1953. He served there as Master in 1961 and later, 1965, was appointed District Deputy Grand Master by the then Grand Master, M.:W.: Clarence J.



Henry. He was a Past President of the Fourth Manhattan District Deputies Association.

He was a dual member of Nassau Lodge No. 1016, Second Nassau District in Floral Park, his home town.

### Grand Lodge Committees

Over the years, M.:W.: Brother Singer served Grand Lodge in many capacities. He was Chairman of the Communications Committee, 1975 to 1982, a member of the Grand Master's

Advisory Committee, 1976 to 1982, a member of the Empire State Mason Magazine Advisory Committee and Editorial Director beginning in 1979. In the 1980's he was an officer on the Statue of Liberty Committee and the principal architect of the New York and National Masonic fund raising programs for the statue's restoration.

### Elected Grand Lodge Offices

M.:W.: Brother Singer served as Grand Treasurer in 1982 and in 1984 was elected Deputy Grand Master under M.:W.: Clarence J. Henry. In 1986 he was elected to the highest office in Grand Lodge, Grand Master, serving the Craft in that prestigious office through 1987.

Following the death of M.:W.: Wendell K. Walker, M.:W.: Brother Singer was appointed to fill his unexpired term, and was elected Grand Secretary in 1992. He served in this position until his own untimely death.

### Awards

In 1983 M.:W.: Brother Singer received the Grand Lodge Robert S. Emslie Jr., Award, and in 1985 the Chancellor Livingston Medal. He also was a recipient of the Pierpont Edwards Medal, from the Grand Lodge of Connecticut.

In 1985 he was elected to receive the International Order of DeMolay Honorary Legion of Honor and was also coroneted

an honorary member of the Supreme Council, 33°, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, in that year.

### Other Masonic Memberships

Our departed Brother was a member of several Masonic organizations including active memberships in Americus-Orient Chapter No. 138, Royal Arch Masons; North Shore Council No. 88, Cryptic Masons; DeWitt Commandery No. 14, Knights Templar; Valley of Rockville Centre, A.A.S.R.; Kismet Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S.; Long Island Grotto, M.O.V.P.E.R.; St. Paul's Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine; the Royal Order of Scotland; Knickerbocker Chapter No. 13, National Sojourners; York Rite Sovereign College No. 22; York Rite Sovereign College of N.A.; Long Island College No. 30, S.R.I.C.F.; Richmond Forest No. 66, Tall Cedars of Lebanon of North America; Nathan Hale-Israel Putnam Camp, Heroes of '76; Manhattan Post No. 4, Masonic War Veterans; the American Lodge of Research; the Philaethes Society and other national and international Masonic research groups. In addition he held honorary memberships in more than 25 Lodges about the State.

### Personal/Professional

A native of Mt. Vernon, N.Y., M.:W.: Brother Singer was educated in New York City schools, receiving his BS and MS degrees in Journalism and Mass Communications from New York University, where he later served on the Political Science Faculty.

For over twenty years, until early 1986 he was Vice-President and Public Affairs Director of the Soap and Detergent Association, one of the country's largest industrial trade groups.

Prior to becoming Grand Secretary he was an independent consultant on communications and government relations.

In 1981, he founded the Floral Park Dispatch, a weekly community newspaper, and was its editor and publisher until 1983.

He also served as a village trustee, Deputy Mayor, Police Commissioner, Public Works

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## Nine Lodges win Howard Potts Award

On Wednesday evening, October 26th, in Doric Hall of the Downtown Masonic Temple, nine Lodges qualified for the Howard K. Potts Award at the Grand Lecturer's Convention. One hundred forty-five Masons were present as M.:W.: Calvin Bond, Grand Lecturer polled the Masters of Etolian, Webster, Seneca, ERAC, Wakan/Hubbard, Charlotte/Corinthian, Towpath, Germania, and Churchville Lodges to confirm each Lodge's representation by their Masters, Wardens, Deacons and Masters of Ceremony.

The Howard K. Potts Award, established by the Grand Lodge to encourage participation at Grand Lecturer's Conventions, honors those Lodges whose officers exhibit their commitment to our ritual by attendance and participation at the Grand Lecturer's Convention. This prestigious Award will be presented to the Masters of qualified Lodges by the Grand Master at Grand Lodge in May.

With 145 Masons present, this year's Grand Lecturer's Convention is among the best attended events of the 1994 Masonic calendar. M.:W.: Calvin Bond was very impressed with the turnout, and was exceedingly happy with the interest in Masonic Ritual being expressed in the Monroe Districts.

Webster, Northfield, ERAC and Towpath's officers performed in superlative fashion while assisting M.:W.: Bond in the exemplification of the 2nd Degree. The questions raised and answers put forward indicated that our Brothers in the Monroes take their Ritual seriously.

In addition to the Potts Awards, the Lodge Attendance Banners for the Grand Lecturer's Convention and the Schools of Ritual were presented. Wakan/Hubbard Lodge received the 1st Monroe District Banner for attendance at the Convention, and Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge once again took home the Banners for the 2nd Monroe Convention attendance and the School of Ritual Banner.

## Howard R. Relin, District Attorney, Receives DeWitt Clinton Award



The DeWitt Clinton Award for Community Service was presented to Howard Relin, Monroe County District Attorney by the Past Master's Supper Club on the occasion of their 45th Anniversary Celebration, September 23rd. The Award was presented by W.: Duane Manchester, President of the Club.

The DeWitt Clinton Masonic Service Award is given in recognition of outstanding service to the Community by a person or organization.

### Personal/Professional

The Honorable Howard R. Relin is a life-long resident of Rochester. He is a graduate of Columbia University, where he earned a degree in History, and Buffalo Law School where he earned his Juris Doctor Degree

in 1968. He joined the Monroe County District Attorney's Office, serving as Second Assistant District Attorney under Lawrence Kurlander and First Assistant District Attorney under Donald Chesworth, Jr.

Mr. Relin was appointed Monroe County District Attorney by Governor Mario Cuomo in August of 1983, and was elected to a full four-year term in November of 1983 and was re-elected 1987 and 1991. He is the longest serving District Attorney since Dan O'Mara (1943-51).

He is a former President of the New York State District Attorney's Association (DAA) and the first local District Attorney to hold office in the DAA since the 1930's. He has been active in the National District Attorney's Association and the Monroe County Commission on Violence.

### Accomplishments

Mr. Relin has written numerous articles for the local newspapers on significant aspects of the Criminal Justice System including: needed improvements, legislative reforms in Penal and Criminal Procedure Law and specific comments on United States Supreme Court and Court of Appeals cases. He has prosecuted five major felony cases as District Attorney and became the first DA in over twenty years to personally try a felony case.

The District Attorney's Office has 71 full-time and four part-time Assistant District Attorneys

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# Editor's Corner

By Don Brugger

## Hospice

Last month was National Hospice Month and a well written article by Dorothy Palmer-Chilton, the wife of our Grand Director of Ceremonies, appeared on the "Speaking Out" page of the "Democrat and Chronicle" on November 2nd. I am sorry that I was not aware that it was indeed National Hospice Month when the *Masonic Times* went to press.

The Executive Director of the Bureau, Vern Goodrich, has been putting in a good deal of time on the "Focus on Friendship Project", initiated and sponsored by our Masonic Service Bureau. I am sure that none would doubt that this is a worthwhile Community Service endeavor. The response to the plea for volunteers, however, has been to date, less than enthusiastic.

As Dorothy Palmer-Chilton points out in the article; we should realize that some day each of us may be in the position of being too sick to adequately care for ourselves. This is a frightening thought. We, who have the time and ability, should back this Masonic Community Service Project with our time and talent. If you are interested in the program, call the Masonic Service Bureau, (716-473-4351).

## Rumors! Rumors!

There seems to be no end to rumors about who is leaving the Temple now days. It reminds one of the rumor-mania that abounded in the days when the Downtown Temple was about to be sold.

I would say to those who purport to have the latest (hottest) information; get your facts from the source. Only the Temple Civic Center Trustees have the truth. That being that no one is moving. There is only one organization exploring the possibility of moving and one Lodge is exploring the possibility of a merger. As of this writing, the Scottish Rite is not even considering a move.

I hope that this will put to rest, for the time being, those ubiquitous rumors.

Several of our authors were late in getting in their copy for this issue. Although we will make special allowances for special circumstances, (Veterans Day-no postal service), we encourage all to get their copy in **before** the deadline. For those who have any

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By R..W.. Vernon Goodrich  
**Spreading the word**  
A full report on the Service Bureau for 1994 will appear in the next issue of the *Times*. However, I can tell you that both Don Brugger and I have been very active in visiting Lodges and Concordant Bodies proclaiming the story about your Service Bureau

port. YOU are making a difference, YOU are making it possible for YOUR Service Bureau to spread its benevolent influence upon our Community.

By the way, don't forget the Service Bureau in your Holiday Spirit of giving.

**Any contribution accepted**  
A letter is being sent out to all Lodges and related organizations to put a gift of \$1.00 per member in their budget to augment and enhance the programs of your Service Bureau. If you can afford more than \$1.00 per member, great; if you can only afford less, any contribution will be gratefully accepted.

**Computer Purchase**  
If you are contemplating the purchase of a computer system and don't want to purchase thru the mail because you want a local contact in case of needed service-BEWARE. If you purchase from a national discount store (a super store) you may be told to contact the manufacturer for a return authorization-so much for local service or assistance. Be sure to check the back of any sales invoice.

I recently purchased a system (an IBM look alike) from such a store, and within 90 days had problems, and was told to contact the manufacturer. The super store also said if I had purchased a real system, I would not have had such problems. They were asked if they were selling junk, and no answer was given.

Local discount stores may not be any better than mail order, only higher priced. ☐

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**Community Service**  
By W.. Harold Bollotin  
**Al Sigi Center Fundraiser**  
The Al Sigi Center Fundraiser was held at the Green Ridge Mall on Saturday, October 29, 1994, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Manager of Special Projects for the Al Sigi Center requested the assistance of the Masonic Service Bureau for volunteers to man their table, and assist in fund raising.  
The "Old Faithful" volunteer who participated were: W. Harold and Sylvia Bollotin, R..W.. Tom and Cora Pagliano, W.. Courtland Young, and M.

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## Interfaith Service, Breakfast and Presentation of the Distinguished Community Service Award

### The Service

The Interfaith Service and Breakfast was held on October 30, 1994. The welcome was given by Wthy. Linda Zahn and the Call to Worship by W. Jimmy F. Haynes, Master of Eureka Lodge, Prince Hall. The scripture lessons were read by Wthy. Jacqueline M. Redman, Matron of Estella Chapter No. 7, O.E.S. Prince Hall and R. W. and Rev. Paul R. Gleason, Jr. and the Offering Prayer by R. W. Maurice Solomon. The meditation was delivered by Rev. Louis J. Hohman, Pastor Emeritus of St. Louis Church. The Service was concluded with "Faith of Our Fathers" and the Benediction was given by R. W. and Rev. Paul R. Gleason, Jr.

The hymns were accompanied by W. Robert H. Cook and an inspiring solo was sung by Elaine Kraus.

### The Breakfast

The Masonic Service Bureau's Distinguished Community Service award was presented to Walter Cooper by R. W. F.J. McCullough after the Congregation partook of an ample Continental Breakfast. Members of Fidelity Triangle No. 4 and Rochester Chapter DeMolay assisted in serving the breakfast. About 70 were in attendance at the Service and 100 at the Breakfast.



Walter Cooper receiving the Distinguished Community Service Award from F.J. McCullough.



Bob Cook, who accompanied the congregation at the Interfaith Service, at the console of our new Allen Organ.

## Interfaith Service and Breakfast, in Retrospect

By Don Brugger

There has been some discussion about the Interfaith Breakfast and presentation of the Distinguished Community Service Award. I am sure that all are aware of the decline in attendance over the past few years. Some of the reasons advanced for this decline have been: Not enough advertising, Continental Breakfast versus full breakfast, method of ticket distribution or various and sundry conflicts. To address all these theories would take more space than I have allotted here, and the President of the Service Bureau will be appointing a Task Force to come up with some answers. However, this person's



Walter Cooper, recipient of the Masonic Service Bureau's Distinguished Community Service Award, and his wife Helen.



Boys and Girls of the DeMolay and Triangle who helped serve at the Interfaith Breakfast.



Evelyn Fleming, Myrt and Jim Gisleson, enjoying company at the Interfaith Breakfast.



Harold Bollotin, Robert Belt, Jim Spencer and Frank Jansson, Masonic War Veterans who formed the Color Guard at the Interfaith Service and Breakfast.

opinion is the prioritization of one's time is at the heart of the matter.

### Theosophy

Of first consideration is the importance of giving a deserving member of the Community an award from the Fraternity. The reason for doing this is obvious. It is a way of recognizing that person's contribution and a way of saying that we, as a Fraternity, approve of such a contribution. We are also saying that we approve, because these are the kinds of things that we stand for, that we encourage and promote. This kind of public statement of intent is important and all the local leaders of the Craft should be compelled by dint of conscience to support it. This should be their top priority as Masons, especially the top three officers of the Lodges and their wives.

### Advertising

The advertising of the event was well covered in the Masonic Times, Masters and Wardens Association pushed it at their meetings, every Lodge, at least my Lodge, announced the occasion at several meetings. What do we have to do, hit people over the head with a 2 x 4 to get their attention?

### Quality of the Menu

Linda Zahn, the Chairperson of the event for the past few years, has reported that there did not seem to be any correlation between the attendance and the type of breakfast. In simple terms; no more attended in recent years when there was a full breakfast as opposed to a Continental Breakfast. In fact, it has been my observation that there were more complaints when a full breakfast was

offered. Would more people come if a \$2.00 sit-down breakfast was offered? Probably not.

### Ticket distribution

The tickets are distributed through the Masters and Wardens Association. This is as it should be. It is an unwritten law that he who sells tickets must attend; at least to hand in his unsold tickets and the ticket monies collected. The Masters and Wardens of the Lodges have been through much orientation approved by the Grand Master that in essence says, Community Service projects are important, Let's do it! This is a very public way for our leaders to be seen practicing what they preach.

I have gone on here much longer than I should, especially since I also did not attend the event, but, I recall a time when the Masters and Wardens showed up at Masters and Wardens meetings. They and subordinate officers of the Lodge as well, attended all District wide social events including the Winter Party, Grand Ball, Schools of Ritual, Grand Lecturer's Convention, Interfaith Service and Breakfast, District Fund Raisers and much, much more.

I know that it is a lot to ask of an individual, especially in these times of limited resources and time. This, however, has a simple name, called commitment, an archaic word that used to be in every Masons vocabulary. This is the mystique of Freemasonry. A Mason used to be the kind of a man who would make a commitment and keep it. My Brothers, have we lost that Masonic mystique?

## Rosa Wims Honored Again

By F. J. McCullough

On November 1st the Mercedes Frederick's column in the Rochester Times-Union, carried a piece on Rosa Wims.

Rosa was one of the recipients of the Masonic Service Bureau's Distinguished Community Service Award in 1992.

The Seton Branches of St. Mary's Hospital have chosen Rosa as this year's Honoree. She was recognized at this year's Seton Ball, a black-tie gala with more than 600 guests attending.

Rosa was recognized for her undying commitment to provide food, clothing, health education, medical screenings and other special programs to inner-city residents.

The event was held at the Riverside Convention Center. It continues to be one of the year's most elegant parties.

We're proud to have recognized Rosa and her work in the Community, and are pleased to see that others continue to find her worthy of recognition.

## Grand Secretary

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Commissioner and Zoning Board member. M. W. Brother Singer is survived by his wife, the former Elna Campbell. They were both active in First Church of Christ Scientist, where he held several offices.

### A Masonic Family

His father was Master of Publicity Lodge in 1970, and his uncle, Maurice A. Singer, served the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania for many years, including being President of the Philadelphia School of Masonic Instruction for two decades.

### Military

From 1948 to 1960 our departed Brother served as an officer in the U.S. Army in an Intelligence Reserve Unit, and had a two-year tour of active duty during the Korean conflict.

### Memorial Service

A Memorial Service will be held for M. W. Brother Singer on Thursday, December 8, 1994, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Hall, 23rd Street, New York, New York.

## Howard Relin

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and has been a leader in all criminal Justice areas, including the prosecution of violent felons, career criminals, DWI offenders, child abusers and white collar criminals.

### Community Involvement

He has spoken at almost every school and college on drug abuse prevention, the consequences of violent crime, student rights and has participated in various Community charitable and volunteer activities involving all major charities. He was also instrumental in obtaining signatures on a petition to deny the parole of James Moore the convicted murderer of Pamela Moss.

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When excellence makes a difference

By John Zabel

Worshipful Master Sam had noticed that his officers had been very impressed by the Degree work at Can-Do-Lodge when the 2nd Degree had been conferred on George. He called an officer's meeting and asked if they would be willing to work toward the same quality of Degree work. Fortunately, they all agreed to work toward that goal. Worshipful Sam then called some of the knowledgeable Past Masters and sideliners to take part in the 2nd

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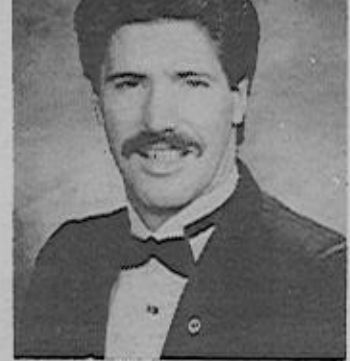
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By W. David W. Jones  
55%...55%...MORE THAN HALF!

Don't be in the minority. If you haven't already received your envelope from your Lodge Chairman, you will soon. Don't set it aside with the intention of filling it out later. Somehow they always get lost. Do it now!

Have you any idea how we can increase participation? If you do, I'd like to know what it is. Please drop me a line. Send your suggestions to: Dave Jones, 372 Maple St., Rochester, NY 14611.

We need fresh ideas. Business as usual will get us results as usual, and 30%-35% is NOT going to do it. Our motto for the next two years is "LET'S DO IT!" Your Lodge Chairman and I need your help to keep the promise we've made to our Grand Master, District Deputies and most importantly, those programs and organizations that depend upon you and me for their continued Community involvement and existence.

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**Tis the Season**  
...to be jolly. We certainly hope that the Holiday Season of 1994 is filled with warmth, love, fellowship and joy for you and your family. We are fully aware that you are busy at this time and therefore the following will be short and sweet.  
The Masonic Trowel, used to spread the cement of Brotherly Love will be in evidence this month as many Lodges celebrate the holidays together with their families. Some Lodges will carry out the key membership retention goal of visiting the sick, shut-ins and widows with a small holiday plant. Is your Lodge among them? If not, why not? This is a program which can be done by three Masons or thirty. The cost is miniscule compared with the return. Please organize and carry out this important program.

**Good news**  
There's a lot of good news in the Districts at this point. Most, if not all, Lodges are doing Degree work, some in large numbers. Dispensation requests for classes of 6 or greater are being requested. The Grand Master's Visit on November 14th was highly successful and we thank all of the Lodges for pulling together as only the Monroes can. The Grand Lecturer's Convention saw 143 Brothers in attendance and NINE, (that's right), Nine, Howard Potts Awards won. Is there anything that the Monroes can't do when they put their minds to it? Our Official Visits are being well received and we thank all of you for taking the time to attend and provide input. We really do care about what you have to say; so if you have something up your nose, blow it out - you'll feel better and we may gain some key insights as we go about our work.

**Have a Heart**  
Talking about putting our minds to it, the Have a Heart, Buy a Heart Campaign is coming up sooner than you think. By the time you read this article, the Lodges, Chapters and all of the Concordant Bodies will be signing up for shifts at the designated Malls. This is our one District Wide Public Involvement and Awareness Community Act. THE MASTERS AND WARDENS ASSOC. NEEDS AND WANTS YOUR SUPPORT. Keep Masonry in the forefront - volunteer your time and effort.

**Grand Master Singer Passes**  
We were deeply saddened by the passing of M.W. Robert C. Singer, Past Grand Master and our Grand Secretary. You will read much of his Masonic life and the great impact that he had on our Craft, written by those with a more eloquent pen than we have. What is important for Masons in the Monroes to remember is the dedication and service that he showed to our area during his years as Grand Master and beyond. For instance, at the time of his death, he was slated to be the Guest Speaker at the Feast of the Paschal Lamb for the Scottish Rite and was coming to ERAC in April to MC the Salute to Bill Lennox Night. As "young" Masons, we remember standing in awe of his command presence and accessibility. He was the strong voice we heard for taking our good works from beneath the cape of secrecy and letting the world know who we are and what we do. His truth goes marching on.

We hope all of our Brethren and their families enjoy a safe, happy and loving Holiday Season.



R.W. Ronald Mertens, Past Junior Grand Warden and M.W. Gary A. Henningsen, commiserating before the dinner.



W. David Taber, Master of Fairport Lodge and M.W. Gary A. Henningsen pose by the commemorative plaque after the Dedication Ceremony

**Pay the Craft Their Wages**  
One of the key elements that bind us into a team is common belief of the need to say Thank You. There are people, who without thought of reward, do the necessary things to assure success. They give of themselves freely. They ask little in return. All too frequently their charity of time, patience, and loyalty is taken for granted.  
During our brief tenure as Staff Officers, we've had the pleasure of working with many individuals who fit this description. We have always tried to say Thank You to these hard working people. We will continue to say Thank You in the future.  
There is a small group of people, who, especially during this Holiday Season, need to be "Paid" their due wages. We thank

these fine people right now in this article. Thank you Dottie, Jill, Leslie, and JoCarol. Thank you Sam, Jake, Bill, and Andy. Your support over the past months has been extraordinary.  
Two other members of our Masonic Family also have yet to be "Paid" their full wages. Their encouragement and support has been tremendous. Their friendship has been true and real. Thank you Rich and Terry for being our Brothers.  
In this season of gift giving and family gathering, we encourage each of you to take a moment and reflect---"Have I Paid my Masonic Family their due wages? Have I taken the time to say Thank You?"  
We wish everyone a warm and joyous Holiday Season. May Brotherly Love Prevail.

## Grand Master Honored by Monroe Districts on "Super Monday"



Grand Master, M.W. Gary A. Henningsen with Masters and Representatives of Lodges, and heads of Concordant Bodies, all of which presented him Honorary Memberships. (Photo by David Boyer)

By R.W. Maurice Solomon  
Fairport Masonic Temple was the site of a unique and historic ceremony on Monday, November 14, 1994, when the Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York, M.W. Gary A. Henningsen, became the recipient of honorary memberships, not only in every Lodge in the Monroe Districts, but also Damascus Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S., and the Monroe Districts' Purple Club. He was reminded of the fact that he had been made an honorary member of the Valley of Rochester, A.A.S.R., at that organization's Awards Night on October 6th.

The program for the evening was the brainchild of the District Deputy Grand Master of the 1st Monroe District, R.W. Richard C. Friedman, with the assistance and cooperation of the DDGM of the 2nd District, R.W. Terry Wihlen.

The proceedings started with a dinner at the Fairport Baptist Church, followed by a brief Rededication Ceremony outside the newly refurbished facade of the Fairport Temple.  
The District Grand Lodge Officers and the Masters of the Lodges present were received in separate delegations by R.W. Terry Wihlen, following which R.W. Richard Friedman, acting as Grand Marshal, announced the Grand Master's entrance, who was escorted by R.W. Ronald D. Mertens.  
The Master of each Lodge in turn, followed by the Concordant Bodies, was introduced to the Grand Master. They presented plaques to him certifying Honorary Memberships. It became apparent that the Grand Master was taken totally by surprise, and was obviously moved by the remarkable display of support and devotion by the Freemasons of the Monroe Districts.

The Grand Master delivered a powerful and inspiring address, in which he emphasized the critical importance of Brotherly Love and the potential power and influence of the Brotherhood that we all share. He drew particular attention to the necessity for restoring faith in family values, which of late has seen such a drastic and unfortunate decline. He demonstrated how Freemasonry, by its actions and conduct, could play an important and vital role in bringing our citizens and communities back to the prestige and glory from which we seem to have been distracted.  
At the conclusion of his address, the Grand Master was given a standing ovation by the audience of about 200. The entire evening was sponsored by the Lodges in the area who meet on Monday evenings: ERAC No. 943, Etolian No. 479, Fairport No. 476, Union Star No. 320, and Wakan-Hubbard No. 154.

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# 1st Monroe District

## ETOLIAN Lodge No. 479



W. Richard B. Kessler  
594-9270  
2nd & 4th Mondays  
7:30 p.m.

W. James M. Barker,  
Secretary  
594-2995  
133 South Union St.  
Spencerport, N.Y. 14559

By W. Richard B. Kessler  
**Congratulations**

I personally thank the officers for attending the Grand Lecturer's Convention so that Etolian could win their first ever Howard Potts Award. It was very rewarding to hear the message and instruction from the Grand Lecturer, M. W. Calvin G. Bond.

**Welcome back**

It was good to see W. Chester Carter back in Lodge after surgery on his eyes.

**Party time**

Please don't forget to attend the Annual Christmas Party with the Eastern Star. Bring a gift for your child and a dish to pass and your place settings.

**New Officer**

Bro. Dennis Tianello has agreed to fill the JW Station for the balance of the year. It has been vacant due to the ill health of Bro. Don Kimmel.

**Thank you**

Many thanks to Etolian Star for honoring us on Master Mason Night, November 7th. It was a very enjoyable evening.

**Speedy recovery**

Bro. Glen Lawson had hip surgery at Highland Hospital. We send him our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

**Condolences**

We send our sincere condolences to W. John Mattern and his wife Rosemary, on the death of her brother.

**Dates**

Please mark your calendar with the following dates:  
Dec. 12 - Official Visit  
Dec. 15 - Hi-Twelve Luncheon  
Dec. 19 - Christmas Party with the Eastern Star at 6:30 p.m.  
Happy Holidays to all!

## Wakan-Hubbard Lodge No. 154



W. John E. Zabel,  
Master  
223-3228  
2nd & 4th Mondays  
7:30 P.M.

W. Theodore J. Snyder,  
Secretary  
467-0165  
1822 Penfield Rd.  
Penfield, N.Y. 14526

By W. John Zabel  
**Master's Ball**

The Master's Costume Ball on October 22nd was a real success. Many people came in costume.

JD Sherwin Isaacs came as the Ace of Hearts, appropriate for a Brotherhood Fund Chairman, give from the heart. W. Bob Nichols really made his Marx, Groucho that is. W. Bob won the 1st Prize for men's costume. Sherwin Isaacs wife, Virginia, won best woman's costume as the Ace of Spades.

**Thanks**

A hearty thank you is extended to all the line officers for being present at the Grand Lecturer's Convention on October 26. We came away with our 7th Howard Potts Award. There were many other Brothers at the Convention helping us to win the Attendance Award again. Thank you all! It is a great honor for me to have the support of the Brethren in winning these 2 Awards.

**November events**

November events included the Super Monday Lodge Meeting at Fairport Lodge. At that meeting we gave Grand Master M. W. Gary A. Henningsen an Honorary Membership in Wakan-Hubbard Lodge. This was a surprise to him and was greatly appreciated. We conferred the 3rd Degree at our second meeting.

**Coming events**

Our Annual Children's Christmas Party is scheduled for Sunday, December 18th at the Lodge.

### Costumed guests at Wakan/Hubbard Master's Ball



Don Bell, John Zabel, Tom Hueston, Bob Nichols, Laura Gambacurta, and Virginia and Sherwin Isaacs.



W. Robert Franzen, Master  
H 346-3997, O 235-1782  
Second Tuesday  
6:00 P.M.

W. Robert C. Green, Sec.  
(H) 223-5953 (F) 425-7054  
Webster Masonic Temple  
30 Orchard St.,  
Webster, N.Y. 14580

By W. Robert Franzen  
**Holiday Season**

As we rapidly approach the holidays our schedules seem to become crammed with more things than we can possibly do and our tolerance level falls as frustrations rise. Each of us needs to remember that this is a time for caring, sharing and being thankful for what we have. Many of our Brethren and our fellow humans are not as fortunate as we may be. I ask each of you this year to make a special effort to help those around you. Let your Masonic teachings be your guide.

**Brotherhood Fund**

Brother Stein is off to an excellent start with the Brotherhood Campaign and surely we will be able to reach the level of participation he is looking for. We are not asking for large donations, but we are asking for every Brother to participate. Remember there are only 90,000 of us trying to support an infrastruc-

ture that was built when there were 3,000,000 of us. The Grand Master is doing his part to cut costs, but he needs our support. The Livingston Memorial Library is filled with rare treasures of history, but we cannot share it because the Library does not have the funds to organize its collection. Please help support your Fraternity.

Our December 12th meeting will be the annual financial meeting. This will be the last communication for 1994. See you there.

**New and Views**

**By Don Bell**

R. W. Bill Wood is recovering after a Summer accident with a band saw. Bro. Tom Kober and his wife have twin girls.

**Brothers about**

Bro. Jackson and Joanne Hollis, Jr. are now living in West Haven, CT on her family's property. They left the Rochester area in 1977 and have been back for short visits. He hopes to remain Masonically active in CT.

Bro. Robert and Patricia McVea have retired, he from Xerox and she from the teaching profession. He works part time at Magnetic Systems. They enjoy their grandchildren.

R. W. Llewellyn Losinger is enjoying the warmer climate of Florida, but misses his Lodge Brothers. He attends Lodge while he is down there.

## CLIO

LODGE No. 779



W. Donn Stevens,  
Master  
865-8776

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

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

By W. Donn Stevens  
**Hello again**

Our major event in November was the Roast Beef Dinner held on November 12th. At this writing, the financial results are yet to be tabulated, but should be favorable. Many sincere thanks to all the Clio hands who worked hard during this event. It shows what we can accomplish when we all work as a unit.

**Candidate**

Brothers, it looks like we have a real live candidate for membership! If all goes well, we will have a 1st Degree for him on December 6th. Please plan to be in Lodge and greet him, and at the same time, support the Degree team.

**Address changes**

Several of our Brothers have changed their residences and have not notified the Lodge. This makes it difficult to contact them and keep them up to date on Lodge activities. If you move or acquire a new telephone number, PLEASE let the Lodge Secretary know immediately so we will not lose touch with you.

**A great program**

On December 20th, R. W. Ted Honea will be with us to speak on Masonic Symbolism. This promises to be an excellent program that will be of interest to all Masons. Please mark this date on your calendar so that you won't miss it!

**Congratulations**

Congratulations to the following Brothers who will add another year to their history in December: Ray Burke, Don Gala, Howard Garbutt, Tom Hauss, Lee Hendershot, Jerry Jones, Dave Upham, Basil VanCamp and Ross Wayne.

**One dinner**

Due to holiday activities, we will sponsor only one Spaghetti Dinner this month. This will be

held on Wednesday, December 14th.

**Happy Holidays!**

Best Holiday Wishes to all the Brothers of Clio Lodge and the Monroes. It has been a grand year. Let's make 1995 an even better one. "LET'S DO IT!"

## FAIRPORT Lodge No. 476



W. David W. Taber,  
Master  
388-0629  
2nd & 4th Mondays  
7:30 P.M.

W. George R. Bracht, Secretary  
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87 South Main St.  
Fairport, N.Y. 14450

By W. David Taber

**Welcome, Brothers**

We welcome three new Brothers to our Fairport Masonic family. Bro. Harold Small recently affiliated from Equity Lodge in Philadelphia, PA, and as of this writing, plans are for two Brothers to be raised as Master Masons on November 28th. May the hand of friendship be extended by all in their travels throughout the Masonic world.

**Bring-a-Friend**

A Brother Bring-a-Friend Night Program will be held on Monday, December 5th. A Steak Dinner will precede a short informational session. Dinner reservations need to be made with Bro. Bill Cobb by December 1st. A free dinner will be available to each guest and his presenter. This is no hard sell program. Freemasonry sells itself with or without our help. We are not selling a product, we are promoting a positive life style. Each guest will be free to accept or not accept our offer for membership.

**Safe at home**

The December 12th meeting will have an open program to which the ladies and friends of the Lodge will be welcome. W. Marcel Goldenberg will discuss ways to make ourselves safe in our homes and while away from home. These are difficult times, and securing our lives and property is a primary concern. Lodge will open at 7:00 p.m. in order that we may be joined by our guests prior to 8:00 p.m. This will be our only regular meeting in December.

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**Scottish Rite Award**

Bro. Greg Ludwig was nominated to receive the Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Award for service. Our congratulations to him. He serves as Marshal and Trustee in the Lodge. Fairport's Trustees are hands-on officers. Greg and four others actively plan, arrange the implementation, or do the job themselves. He was unable to attend the Award Ceremony due to a work commitment, but will receive the award on December 12th. A copy of the award will be on display at the Lodge for one year.

**Sickness**

Bro. Don Metcalf has been hospitalized with shingles to add to his other medical problems. Cards would be appreciated. We pray for his quick recovery.

**Grand Master's visit**

Over one hundred Brothers enjoyed the dinner prepared by the Fairport OES on November 14th. Thank you to Wthy. Barbara Cobb for her cooks and servers. The sidelines were full, and all were rewarded by the address of M. W. Gary A. Henningsen, Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York. Every Lodge in the Monroe District was represented. A big thank you to R. W. Richard Friedman and R. W. Terry Wihlen, the Monroe's District Deputy Grand Masters.

**Feedback**

We were happy to hear from Bro. Paul Fisher, who recently remarried and moved to Florida. His address is 10800 U.S. 19 North, Unit 208B, Pinellas Park, FL 34666, and would appreciate hearing from his Brothers. He was well known in Masonic circles here, and is getting acquainted with Masons in Florida. Thanks for the note, and best wishes, Paul.

We are alive and well here in Fairport. How about those of you who are not able to join us or are forced to live far from our fair port on the canal? Send us a note to keep us informed as to your well being.

**Birthdays**

The following Brothers celebrate the anniversary of their births during the month of December: Walter Budgeon, Robert Robbins, Harold Goodwin, Tom Goodrich, Clint Russell, Murray Russell, Bill Sanford, Fred Heber, Jay Stubbings, Scott Clemons, Dave MacIntyre, Carl Mosher, and Chuck Minnamon. Enjoy your day, and we wish for

you good health and a prosperous year ahead.

**Official Visit**

R. W. Richard Friedman, District Deputy for the 1st Monroe District, will make his Official Visit to Fairport Lodge on Monday, January 9th. Membership certificates will be awarded at that time. Anyone due a certificate that cannot make the meeting can expect a personal contact from the Master.

**Holiday wishes**

On behalf of the Officers and members of the Lodge, I wish all who read this article a meaningful and happy holiday season. □

**Flower City Lodge No. 910**

W. Gordon T. Dodge, Master  
334-3660

2nd  
Thursday  
7:30 P.M.

R. W. Phillip Averbach,  
Secretary 458-1817

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

By W. Gordon T. Dodge

**Holiday Bash**

On December 4th, our Lodge will once again hold its Annual Holiday Bash, our now famous "Latke Party and Square Dance". Socializing will start at 3:00 p.m., square dancing at 4:00-5:30 p.m. at which time we will eat. All this for only \$5.00 per person with a gift for all the children under the age of 12. It will be at the Downtown Rochester Masonic Temple on the 3rd floor. NO RESERVATIONS are required, but we must know how many children are coming so that no one is disappointed. Call me at 334-3660. Come on out for a fun-filled afternoon and start the Holiday festivities off early.

**Annual Meeting**

December 8th will be our Annual Meeting at 7:30 p.m. It will be preceded by a dinner at 6:30 p.m. Reservations are required for this dinner and must be made by Dec. 5th to JW Bill Nardone at 458-7512.

**Super Monday Meeting**

On November 14th, I was accompanied by R. W. Maurice Solomon, R. W. Phil Averbach and other members of the Lodge as we visited Fairport Lodge. We presented Grand Master, M. W. Gary A. Henningsen, with an Honorary Membership in Flower City Lodge No. 910. It was an exciting and enjoyable evening with this dynamic Grand Master.

**A great loss**

The Lodge was saddened in November by the loss of a great friend of Flower City Lodge, M. W. Robert C. Singer, Grand Secretary. He will be missed by many of the Brethren. Our condolences go out to his family and his many friends. □

**WEBSTER Lodge No. 538**

W. John L. Clapp  
671-4158  
1st & 3rd  
Thursdays  
7:30 P.M.

Stolan Eilla, Secretary  
671-3296

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

By W. John Clapp

**Spaghetti Dinners**

Thanks to all of you who have helped in the cooking, serving, clean-up and those who have supported the dinners by attending and bringing friends and family. The last dinner was a great success. We apologize to those we had to turn away. Mark will increase the plan for numbers of dinners. This function will help both the Lodge and OES to make their budgets this year for fund raising. The next dinner is Dec. 2nd. See you there! Don't forget to volunteer your help and join in the fun.

**Spaghetti Dinner Friday**

Dec. 2, 1994

5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Adults \$5.00

Children \$2.50

Webster Lodge  
30 Orchard Street  
Webster, NY

**Official Visit**

December 1st is our Official Visit. R. W. Richard Friedman and R. W. Bruce Chilton will be at the Lodge in their official capacities. Much purple will be visible in the East. Please plan to attend. I am sure their message will be worth the time. We will have a dinner for this event and reservations are required. On this evening we will be remembering those Brothers who have left the quarries this year.

**Good news/bad news**

The good news is that we have initiated 4 new Brothers into the Fraternity this past month. This is an excellent start for the year. One more candidate is ready for initiation and has been approved, another is in the hands of the committee. I do have great expectations that our Spring Degree sessions will have at least 6 candidates. Fred Cornell has been restored as a member of the Lodge. Make sure you stop these folks and make them feel welcome.

The bad news: we will be losing our Jr. and Sr. Deacons. Bill Glover is moving and Dennis has had to resign for personal reasons. Both are great losses. I wish both of these Brothers the best and thank them for the work they have performed.

**Bring-a-Friend**

The date of our Bring-a-Friend Night has been changed to January 5th due to a conflict with the Past Master's Dinner. Please try to plan ahead for this and bring some potential candidates to fill the Spring Degree Class. This will be a supper meeting and all potential candidates will be our guests. This will also cause other changes in the sched-

ule so look for your update in the Lodge mailing.

**Food Cupboard**

Remember, after the Good Neighbor Days we placed our "Webster Food Cupboard" collection barrels outside the Lodge meeting room to collect items to support this worthwhile activity. When you come to Lodge, please bring a non-perishable item like cereal, canned goods, etc. and deposit it in the barrel. Thanks for the support.

**Howard Potts Award**

I thank the Line Officers for their support in obtaining the Howard Potts Award for the Lodge. They attended the Grand Lecturer's Convention in force, and as a result, when I go to New York in May, this Award will be presented to me on behalf of the Lodge.

**Brotherhood Fund**

Remember the Brotherhood Fund, it supports many activities such as Masonic Research, the Home in Utica and the Drug Programs, just to mention a few.

**Birthdays**

Congratulations to the following Brothers who are celebrating a birthday in December: Edward Bartusek, Linn Bowman, James Crane, A. Wayne Engbrecht, Donald Feil, Charles Gremmels, Glen Hilfiker, Henry Libera, Bevan Long, Jr., Steven Marou, Willard Scott, Irving Walz, Wilhelm Weller, and G. Robert Witmer, Sr.

**Ionic visit**

On December 7th, a few of our Lodge members will be going to Hamilton, Ont. to the Installation of Officers of our Sister Lodge. If you would like to join us, please call me.

**More December dates**

We will have Fellowcraft on December 8th and the 2nd Degree on December 15th. Our Christmas visitation to our shut-ins will be held on Dec. 24th. □

**East Rochester's Ancient Craft Lodge No. 943**

W. Franklin G. Granata, II,  
Master  
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H 247-8235

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

152 Commercial St. West  
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By Bro. Michael Rice, JW

**Greetings from the South!**

W. Frank has given me the honor of writing the column this month to tell you about the culinary delights planned for you at ERAC.

Again, this year we are fortunate to have the talents of the ladies of the OES preparing many of the traditional favorites at Lodge. That means Lasagna at our Annual Meeting on December 12th, and Chicken and Biscuits on January 9th for the 3rd Degree. These will be followed in the months to come by Roast Beef, Pork and Ham Dinners with all the fixin's, as well as some promised surprises. Time to buy bigger belts, guys.

**Bring-a-Friend Night**

No discussion of good food at ERAC can go without mention of W. Paul Rodgers' masterpieces. The mere thought of his

past Chicken Dinners makes the mouth water and while he hasn't told us what is on the menu for the next Brother Bring-a-Friend Night on January 23rd, you can be sure your guest will leave that night not only impressed with Masonry, but also with the superb dinners we enjoy. Remember, bring a friend and you both eat free!

**Working together**

It is important to me that the JW be active in the kitchen, and I aim to do my share in feeding the Brothers. The Pork Chops with apricots and prunes seemed to be well received on 1st Degree Night (at least no one has sued quite yet), so be prepared for some more efforts from the pages of Bon Appetit in March and May.

**Reservations needed**

Think of it, all these great meals for only \$6.50 each. Please be sure to tell your phone list coordinator if you're coming as meals are planned and paid for by the plate, and we hate to come up short for anyone. On that same note, if you tell us you intend to eat and don't show up, we'll have to ask you to pay anyway and, as the saying goes, "that's sorta like kissing your sister".

**Reminder**

Finally, don't forget the Holiday Party and Ladies Night at the Country Party House on December 5th. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m. □

**Masters & Wardens Association**

1st & 2nd

**MONROE DISTRICTS**

President

W. Neil Laundry 964-2135

Secretary

W. Daniel B. Walker 429-6572

By Neil Laundry

**Attendance is up**

Our October 22nd meeting was well attended with several visitors in addition to our own District Grand Lodge Officers. These included W. Joel Weiss GMTFE (in town for an earlier presentation to the School of Lodge Administration), Bro. Jack Hughes, Vice Chairman for the Grand Lodge Committee on Child I.D., W. Robert Stang, Area 16 Chairman, Child I.D., and his wife, Sandie, and Ms. Anne Paleschevich of the Adam Walsh Center, our speaker of the evening.

**Program**

The program, "The Prevention of Child Abductions", introduced several considerations that may be of immediate use in our own Child I.D. Program. Our local area Chairman, W. Jon Deacon, has been working closely with the people at Adam Walsh and has received a great deal of assistance in the field of Community Education, materials and techniques as well as ways of expediting the reporting of abductions (Polaroid snaps and portable communication centers). It is Jon's hope that further refinement in this area may allow for a Statewide (or National) System of abduction reporting facilitated and expedited through the Masonic Communication Network.

**Blood Programs**

Our November 19th program is scheduled to present an over-

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### Parable of the Toolmaker

Among the 80,000 craftsmen employed at the building of King Solomon's Temple was a toolmaker by the name of Abodia, who was renowned throughout Jerusalem for the quality and beauty of the implements he created. Operative masons relied upon them to lay out and measure their work. Their perfectness and exactness were legendary, and as his reputation grew, so did the demand for his work.

After a time, the demand was such that only the best and highest paid craftsmen could afford his tools. Because of this, many who purchased his work were not inclined to use them for their intended purposes, but set them aside, to be admired for their workmanship and beauty.

Less and less, Abodia's tools were used to build the temple. More and more they were collected as works of art, and acquired by the wealthy and influential of King Solomon's court. Demands were placed upon Abodia to produce more ornate and fancier Squares and Compasses, gilt with precious metals and adorned with jewels of every shape and size.

The appearance of the tools became more important than the purpose for which they were intended, and this made Abodia very unhappy. As a craftsman laboring with his Brothers, he had participated in the glorious work of building King Solomon's Temple. He had experienced great joy in the knowledge that his earlier tools, the ones with the nicks and dents, the little scratches and marks acquired in honest labor while constructing the temple had contributed to the erection of the House of God.

His new position as artificer to the rich and influential brought him little satisfaction, for his

work was relegated to objects acquired and possessed not for their utility and beauty, but as symbols of wealth and power.

While all this was going on, King Solomon, seeing a reduction in the quality of the work being performed, inquired of Hiram, King of Tyre, as to the cause of this decline. Hiram investigated the situation and reported to King Solomon that the toolmaker's work was being misdirected to his courtiers, and the workmen were suffering from the loss of Abodia's fine instruments.

Summoning Abodia, King Solomon made it clear to all that the tools created by this master craftsman were of far greater value when used as they were intended, and not crafted to satisfy the desires of those who had lost sight of the true purpose of the tools, that of building the House of God.

Thereafter, Abodia returned to the toolrooms of the quarries, happily making the best tools he could for the craftsmen laboring on the temple. The quality of his tools was attested to by the splendor of King Solomon's Temple.

Of the tools created by Abodia for the courtiers, many were given to the workmen, who used them while building the temple, and in doing so wore them out. Such is the value of a tool, in its use.

Our ritual is a tool, to be used in instructing our Brothers in those values we wish to instill in them. When the Ritual becomes an end in itself, and perfection becomes more important than the lessons we want to teach, we've lost sight of its purpose. Use the Ritual in the quarries! An occasional nick or scratch is to be expected. They can be polished out. Use the best tools you have, keep them in good repair, but keep your focus on the temple.

### Masters & Wardens

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view of Red Cross Blood Programs and a review of Masonic programs for meeting area blood donor needs. W. Craig Emmons of Union Star Lodge No. 320 suggested the need for such an awareness program and W. Craig Covert of Towpath No. 163 volunteered to organize it.

#### Coming events

Upcoming programs to look for at Masters and Wardens Association meetings include presentations on "Tombstones: Historical Time Capsules", "Commandery: History and Ritual", and "Leadership: A glimpse into stereotyping in group dynamics". (This last is an inter-personal group activity to be presented by the Sr. Wardens group.)

#### "Have-a-Heart"

A sign-up board for Lodge participation in the 1995 "Have-a-Heart" Campaign will be in use at our regular meetings. Each Lodge is encouraged to become actively involved in this great fundraiser for the Ronald McDonald House children and their families. Also, mark your

calendars for the April 1st Masonic Grand Ball at the Gateway Convention Facilities. A super evening is planned! Make it a point to make this a festive night out for all of your Lodge Brothers and their ladies. We hope to see you there.

#### No meeting

There will be no December meeting. The officers of Monroe County Masters and Wardens Assoc. therefore wish to take this opportunity to wish you and yours blessings, joy and safe travels for the upcoming Holiday Season.

#### Masonic Blood Drive

By W. Craig Covert  
Friends, Masons and countrymen, lend me your ear, and your arms. The Red Cross is entering its most critical time of the year for blood donations. The shortage at this time of the year is critical due to surgery and unplanned demand for blood because of accidents.

It is with this in mind that the Masters & Wardens Association are charging you with accepting a challenge to fill some of this shortage. We are asking all eligible members of the entire Masonic Fraternity, as well as the

Eastern Star Ladies, to get out and donate during the week of December 19-23rd, at any of the 3 blood collection centers in Monroe County. For those of you who are ineligible to donate that week, the Red Cross suggests making donations through January 6th.

Most of the Lodges have sponsored Blood Drives in the past, and now it is our turn to roll up our sleeves and show the Community that we are willing to answer the call. Anyone that is eligible to donate blood and would like to donate should call the American Red Cross at 1-800-272-4543. To schedule your appointment, simply tell them at which Center you wish to donate your blood, the time, and the date. The 3 Centers and their hours of operation are:

Prince St. Center, 50 Prince Street, Rochester.

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Tues.-Thurs. - 12:20 p.m. - 7:20 p.m.

Fri. - 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Greece Center, 2590 Ridge Rd.

W., Buckman's Plaza  
Mon. - closed  
Tues. - Thurs. - 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Fri. - 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Perinton Center, 6605 Pittsford Palmyra Rd., Blackwatch Office Park

Mon. & Wed. - 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Fri. - 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Tues. & Thurs. - closed

It's time for all of us to stand up and be counted. Your donation could be the biggest gift of someone's life. Come out and give the gift of life, donate blood!

## 2nd Monroe District

## Towpath Lodge No. 163



W. Craig A. Covert, Master 865-2920



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

Bro. Solomon E. Phillips, Secretary 244-5394  
152 Commercial St. W. E. Rochester, NY 14445

By W. Craig A. Covert

Well, here we are in the month of December, and the Winter season is upon us. I am really looking forward to the holidays, because I enjoy watching my sons Christopher and Kevin open their gifts. The wide eyed enthusiasm of youth makes me realize how lucky I am, and how thankful I am for all of the blessings in my life.

#### Thanks

First and foremost, this month I thank all of the Officers of this Lodge for their commitment to attend the Grand Lecturer's Convention. Through their commitment we earned a Howard Potts Award, which I will have the honor of receiving at Grand Lodge. We had 15 Brothers attend the Convention, which placed us 2nd for the Attendance Banner, and only 6 points behind the winner, Charlotte-Corinthian. When you see the following Brothers, you should thank them: Lou Campaniello, Larry Lundgren, Tom LeBeau,

Andrae Evans, Carl Mason, Buck Mason, Ziad Wehbe, Allen Dentley, Todd Tarzia, Souhail Wehbe, Jim Barcus, Ron Mertens, Bill Zufall, and Terry Wihlen. I am truly proud to stand up and say that I am a member of Towpath Lodge.

I also thank all the Brothers and their wives for attending our Ladies Night at the Crescent Beach Hotel on October 29th. The food was excellent, and the company could not have been better. For those of you who could not make it, we are going to have another night out on February 18th, 1995. If this is a night which is particularly bad for a large number of people, please let me know as soon as possible, so that we can set a new date. We are also looking for suggestions for a place to go. At that time of the year, I am looking for a place that is central to everyone, perhaps downtown.

#### Happy Holidays

I take this opportunity to wish all of you a safe and Happy Holiday Season, and cordially invite all of you to our Second Annual Holiday Party on December 6th. We will be having dinner at 6:30 p.m., with a short program to follow. The evening's entree will be Swiss Steak, with an option for Chicken. The majority of the evening will be devoted to fun and fellowship. Pack your deck of cards, and join us for some fun.

#### By-Laws

By the time that this column hits the presses, you all should have a copy of the revised and updated By-Laws in your possession. At our Annual Meeting on December 20th, we will be voting on the new By-Laws, as well as the budget for the 1995 Lodge year. If you have any questions about the By-Laws, or proposed modifications, please contact me as soon as possible with the specifics of your objection or proposed changes.

#### Blood Drive

This month the Masters of all the Lodges are encouraging all of the eligible Brothers to roll up their sleeves and give the gift of life by donating blood. We are challenging all of the Brothers to call the American Red Cross at 1-800-272-4543, and sign up to donate blood during the week of December 19th-23rd. You may donate at the Greece Center in Buckman's Plaza, the Perinton Center in Blackwatch Office Park at the corner of Routes 250 and 31, and the Downtown location at 50 Prince Street, which is right behind the Downtown Temple. We want to let the Community know that we are here, and that we care about our Community.

#### Communications

As always, it is a pleasure to hear from our Brothers, and we received notes from the following: Edward F. Allen, Gordon Torkington, Dean Airy, Clarence Latimer, Erwin Morris, Peter

Jovan, Donald VanZandt, and Stanley Bluther. We appreciate hearing from you, and your letters were read in open Lodge. I thank all of you for taking the time to write, and look forward to hearing from all of you again.

#### Sickness

As of the writing of this column, there have been no reports of any deaths, which is a great relief and joy. There have, however, been several reports of illness. R.W. Larry Geith has been in and out of the hospital several times this past month.

Bro. Bill Ackroyd is finally about mended and looks forward to rejoining us at Lodge.

Bro. Carl Mason's daughter is very ill with a leg infection, and problems with her diabetes. From what Bro. Allen Dentley has told me, her condition at one point in time was life threatening. Keep all in your prayers.


#### Program change

In closing this month, I would also like to announce a program change. Our meeting on January 3rd, 1995, will now be the Customs and Courtesies of the East, as well as the 3rd Degree Historical Lecture. Our Brother Bring-a-Friend Night will be on January 10th. We need those names turned in to the Secretary by December 31st.

**Churchville Lodge No. 667**

W. Jon V. Deacon  
Deacon  
Master  
254-6957

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



R.W. Roderick C. Meler,  
Secretary 426-5561  
20 South Main St.  
Churchville, N.Y. 14428

By W. Jon V. Deacon

#### Hello Brothers!

November should go into Masonic Euchre history! The team of Deacon and Hutcherson made the Hall of Fame at our Oct. 31st Tournament by donating "24" times in the name of team spirit and inept playing.

Everyone had a good time, especially those teams that played against us. We also raised "fifty bucks" for the Child I.D. Program.

#### Child I.D.

We have been working vigorously with the people from the Adam Walsh Center to set up a training program for us. This will enable us to have an I.D. Program centered around educating people on the subject of abduction prevention. Adam Walsh and the National Center for missing and exploited children feel strongly that 80% of the abductions that take place in this coun-

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try are preventable through education. Think of that, 80%!

The Masonic family has the opportunity to play a major role in stopping the worst tragedy going on in our country today. This will require education, family involvement, Community involvement and a never ending commitment to teach our children how to protect themselves. We have a brochure to hand out that is a cooperative piece between Adam Walsh and the Masonic Family.

We, my Brothers, are in a great position to help our children and protect our most precious resource and we intend to do so to the best of our ability. More information will be forthcoming as we finalize our program.

**New number**

I have had my home phone number changed to 254-6957. You may also reach me on my pager at 527-7394.

**Happy Holidays**

In closing, I take this opportunity to wish everyone a safe and happy Holiday Season. ☐


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W.. Daniel B. Walker, Master  
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1st & 3rd  
Thursdays  
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W.. Donald C. Smith  
Secretary H 248-5170  
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Pittsford, N.Y. 14534



By W.. Daniel B. Walker

A warm holiday greeting to all, especially those Brothers and widows who are not as healthy as they once were. You are all in the thoughts and prayers of the Lodge, particularly at this time of year.

**Interfaith morning**

Many events have taken place since the last column. The Interfaith Service and Breakfast was on October 30th, with Linda Zahn and her crew of DeMolay boys and Triangle girls serving a wonderful Continental breakfast. The Brothers and ladies who attended all came away with a warm feeling.

**2nd Degree**

On the 3rd of November the Officers and Brothers did a remarkably good job with the 2nd Degree. Headed up by Bro. Michael Herrmann in the East, all of the participants are to be commended. I am sure our new Fellowcraft learned a great deal.

**Working together**

November 8th saw several of us helping Linda Zahn on a dinner at the Downtown Temple for

Valley-Simes Lodge. There will be more dinners in the future, so if you are interested in helping, please contact Bro. Michael Herrmann at 872-0113 or me at 429-6572 for further details. This is a good fun(d) raiser for the Lodge and the workers get a great meal afterward.

**VA visit**

The Annual Veterans Hospital Visit for NY State Masonry was held on November 13th. Among those in attendance this year were Bro. Bill Spillane and his 2 daughters; Bro. Randy Griswold, his 3 children and 2 neighbor kids; W.. John Dudley (Veterans Service Chairman) and Linda Walker, accompanied by her husband (yours truly). This was a very rewarding day for me personally, and we may see a few more visits to Canandaigua before this Master's term is up.

**Good idea**

Just recently Bro. Fred Hull came to me with an idea to make some serious money for our Lodge. Naturally, my ears perked up and I was more than ready to listen. All it takes is a few Brothers with able automobiles to deliver flowers around the holidays.

We will be delivering to the Pittsford, East Rochester and Fairport areas. These deliveries will emanate from Phelps Florist on East Main Street, one block west of Winton Road. If you are interested in helping the Lodge earn some much needed funds, please contact Bro. Fred or me for more information. A chairman was named at our November 17th Communication.

**Thanks**

Nearing the conclusion of this article, I would be remiss if I didn't thank W.. Glenn A. Hedges for taking over as our JD for the remainder of this term. If you see this Brother, be sure to shake his hand and say "Thanks" for all he's done so far for Northfield.

Thought for the month: If everyone would do 10% of what they expect everyone else to do, what a great world this would be. ☐

**Charlotte-Corinthian**  
Lodge No. 1088

W.. Nell Laundry, Master  
964-2135

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

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By W.. Neil Laundry

Greetings to all Brothers and friends of Charlotte-Corinthian Lodge No. 1088. Before you can proceed further in this issue of the *Masonic Times*, it will be necessary for you to be brought up to date on "What's Happening", and I, Master of the Lodge, assure you that I'll do my best to fill you in.

**Convention results**

This is my first opportunity to report on the results of the 1994 Grand Lecturer's Convention. There was an excellent turnout from across the Monroe Districts, and the work was deftly managed and commented upon by the Grand Lecturer, M..W.. Calvin Bond, W.. Gene Brendel, AGL for the 1st Monroe, and our very own W.. Dave Jones, AGL for the 2nd Monroe. Bro. Dave then announced the winners in the Attendance Banner Competition for the Schools of Ritual and the G.L.'s Convention. It was an honor to represent our Lodge and to accept the return of both Banners to Charlotte-Corinthian for another year. The true honor, however, was to turn and see the Brothers of Charlotte-Corinthian standing and applauding. The sense of pride and pleasure that our Lodge takes and receives from the show of strength, unity and camaraderie necessary to so consistently maintain possession of these Banners is well earned. I can't say it enough and one more time won't hurt: great job, Brothers!

**District support**

It should be noted that the competition for the Convention Banner was stiff and that several Lodges gave us a real run for our money. It's great to see this kind of inter-Lodge enthusiasm and support for District functions. To illustrate the level of competition at this year's Convention, nine Lodges, including ours, qualified for this year's Howard Potts Award. That means that nine Lodges had their entire line through Jr. MC present. That is quite simply unheard of anywhere else in the State. Charlotte's congratulations to those Lodges, their lines, and their Worshipful Masters.

**Traveling Gavel**

On another front, W.. Cliff Short, accompanied by six C/C Brothers, attended Fame Lodge on October 25th, and were pleasantly surprised to find themselves in attendance at Fame's Official Visit. In honor of their presence, the Lodge was nearly opened in Charlotte-Corinthian's name (a nice gesture on the Master's part) and they were lavished with gifts including a beautiful oversized, handcrafted gavel mounted on a presentation plaque. Well, lavished with gifts may be an exaggeration. Actually, they had to ask for the object of their visit (better known as the Traveling Gavel) and there was some hesitation in turning it over. At last, the prize was received by JW Jim DiLorenzo (one of his first official responsibilities). "Cliff's Crew" enjoyed a great evening and returned to No. 1088 with trophy in hand. Nice job, guys! Yes, Terry, we do want everything!

**Lodge business**

Back at home, the 1995 proposed Lodge Budget was presented, reviewed, voted on, and accepted at the November 1st meeting. The Past Masters of C/C were in their stations and places for the conferring the 2nd Degree on our three new Brothers on November 15th. Small gifts of miniature Top Hats and Gavel were presented to the Lodge's Past Masters as souvenirs of the evening. Many thanks to Past Master's President, W.. Dave Jones and his group and to R..W.. Joe Privitera, for his organizational efforts in putting the evening together.

**December meetings**

Some key events to remember include the Children's Christmas Party on December 4th, our Official Visit on December 6th, the 3rd Degree on December 20th, and our Holiday Toast, with ladies welcome, on January 3rd. Please check your trestleboards and make sure that you make your reservations for dinner well ahead of time. The ladies who prepare our dinners need an accurate count, and the Lodge needs your support for these events. Make your reservations early and come out to enjoy the great fellowship afforded by sitting down together. Call Bros. Frank Jansson or Floyd Bedoar for reservations.

**Christmas Caroling**

SW Buzz Gorman, Choir Master, will be organizing a Family Christmas Caroling expedition for sometime in December. We're really looking forward to this opportunity to join together and get out into the Community to let ourselves be heard (so to speak).

**Thinking of you**

We have several Brothers in need of cards and prayers. Bro. Eino Laakso fell recently and cracked a bone in the knee area. At this point, it is still not known if surgery will be necessary.

Bro. Nick Vlahos underwent surgery for the removal of his gall bladder on October 18th. He is currently convalescing at a friend's home, and combating pneumonia.

Bro. Cliff Laundry was hospitalized on November 7th for testing regarding complications which surfaced following his previous surgery.

As has been reported in the past several columns, Bro. Bob Forest continues to appreciate the cards, wishes and prayers. Brothers, let's let all of these Brothers know that they're in our thoughts and prayers.


Until next time, smooth sailing and may God hold you in the palm of His hand. ☐

**Henrietta**  
Lodge No. 526  
1863 1992

W.. Joseph E. Bourcy III, Master  
334-8293

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

R..W.. Robert F. Sanford, Secretary  
292-6383  
769 Erie Station Rd.  
West Henrietta, N.Y. 14586



By Joseph E. Bourcy III

I apologize for missing last month's deadline. I had illness in the family and the days just got away from me.

**Congratulations**

Congratulations are due to W.. Richard Bull and W.. Harold Grushow on attaining 40 years of service in Masonry. This is a milestone to be very proud of.

**Degree Work**

On Tuesday, Nov. 8th, W.. Paul Josephson was in the East for the 1st Degree. Worshipful Paul, the Degree Team did a superb job!

**Coming events**

December 13th is our Annual Meeting. There will be a dinner preceding the meeting at 6:30

p.m. I hope you will attend and bring your wife. W.. Paul Josephson has promised another great meal. Please give him a call (334-7353) by Dec. 9th if you plan to attend. On Dec. 20th W.. Norm Johnstone will be in the East for the 2nd Degree. Please come out, meet and support your new and fellow Brothers in their Degree work.

**Brotherhood Fund**

This year we have been asked to have 55% participation in the Brotherhood Fund. Bro. Joe Cocca has again agreed to be our Brotherhood Fund Chairman. When you receive this year's envelope, please give as generously as possible.

**Birthday wishes**


Happy Birthday to all the Brothers celebrating birthdays in November and December: Charles Burgess-11/12, Thomas Clark-11/21, Paul Josephson-11/23, Carl French-12/4, Jack Nua-12/5, Norman Hurwitz-12/12, Robert Ash-12/26 and William Goss. ☐

**GERMANIA**  
Lodge No. 722

W.. Nelson Bertch, Master  
671-4792

1st  
Tuesday  
7:30 P.M.

W.. John H. Foster, Secretary  
467-1677  
4275 Culver Rd.  
Rochester, N.Y. 14622



By W.. Nelson F. Bertch

**Howard Potts Award**

Congratulations are in order to the officers and members of Germania Lodge for attending the Grand Lecturer's Convention thus qualifying us to receive the Howard Potts Award. R..W.. Terry Wihlen, DDGM of the 2nd Monroe District, will accept it for us at Grand Lodge in May.

**Reservations**

I hope you have made your reservation with W.. John Foster for our December 6th dinner meeting. It is Ladies Appreciation Night in appreciation for all the wonderful meals they have cooked and served to us this year. The Lodge will pick up the ladies tabs and the men will be charged \$5.00 per person; the Lodge will pick up the difference.

**Dues are Due**

Please send your remittance to our Secretary and make his book work easier.

**Brotherhood Fund**

Brothers, your Brotherhood Fund Drive request will be coming in the mail shortly. The DDGM's are looking for 55% participation. Our Fund Chairman, Worshipful Master and the Lodge have set a goal of 60%. Remember, it is not how much you give, but the fact that YOU gave. "LET'S DO IT!" Let's make our Fund Drive Chairman's hard work pay off. ☐

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By W. Charles N. Waterstreet  
**Happy Holidays**

Happy Holidays to all our Brothers, wherever you may be as you read this column. We wish all of you the best for the new year. It is tough to think of Winter and the holidays as I start this column on an unseasonably warm November day. What a terrific Fall we have had. Mild temperatures, great colors, and plenty of sunshine to enjoy them. Now the dull period leading to the Spring and the rebirth of flowers and plants.

**Annual Meeting**

Our Lodge is heading in the same direction. We will hold our Annual Meeting on December 19. You will be summoned for that purpose as well as making a decision on the future course of our Lodge. I hope you will be able to attend and lend your voice to the decision.

On December 5th we will have a Turcon or Pot Luck Supper. Everyone attending will be asked to bring a dish to pass. JW Ken Skidmore will coordinate the activity so that we will have a variety of fare. If you haven't heard from him by now, feel free to call him and find out the status of the event. After a brief business meeting (required to close the books for 1994), we will have a Holiday Party in the Third Floor Dining Room. I'm looking forward to seeing you there.

**Dues are (Over) Due**

We still have several Brothers in arrears in their 1994 dues. R. W. Tom Davis, Treasurer, and I would appreciate it if you would take a minute now and send in your check. We'd really like to clear the books for the year. Our cash flow situation has required us to dip into the reserve savings account to meet our expenses. Won't you help us rectify the situation? Thanks!

**Brotherhood Fund**

As the holidays approach and the spirit of giving to others increases in our hearts, I hope you will remember the Brotherhood Fund and send your donations to Bro. Norm Gauch. The Masonic Research Laboratory in Utica has been instrumental in discovering important details regarding muscular dystrophy, the aging process, heart problems, and many others. We can be proud, as Masons, that we support this renowned facility. The Masonic Home cares for some of our Brothers and their families who are needy or in less fortunate circumstances than we might have. Let us continue this support. Help us strive for 55 in the 1995 Campaign.

**1995 Winter schedule**


In January, February and March we will have only one scheduled meeting. This tradition started a few years ago and has proven beneficial to our members as the weather is sometimes uncooperative. This is to remind

you to mark your 1995 calendars now so you won't forget - Jan. 16th, Feb. 20th and March 20th. These are the 3rd Mondays of the month and it is our intention to meet on those nights. If a special meeting is required, due and timely notice will be given.

**O-At-Ka**  
**Lodge No. 759**

W. Terrance O. Wright  
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2nd & 4th  
 Wednesdays  
 7:30 P.M.



W. Glenn A. Schoerens  
 Secretary 889-2017  
 5 Browns Ave.  
 Scottsville, N.Y. 14546

By W. Terrance O. Wright  
**New Brothers**

Brethren, it is with extreme pleasure that I announce the initiation of five new Brothers who will be passed to the Degree of Fellowcraft on December 14th. We will begin the evening with a dinner, sponsored by the OES, at 6:30. Reservations must be made to me ASAP. The meeting will begin promptly at 7:30 p.m.

**Great job**

I am proud of the very fine job JW Kevin Fisher did as Master in the 1st Degree, as well as all the Brothers involved in the work and instruction.

**A big evening**

A very special note is now in order regarding the night of our 3rd Degree on January 25th. In addition to raising 5 Brothers to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason, we will also be raising our hearts and consciences to Leonard Waterman and his family. Leonard is a young Scottsville man who suffered a major debilitating stroke, leaving him paralyzed and his wife and young children in a destitute situation. Girl Scout Troop No. 130 is sponsoring a Roast Beef Dinner to benefit the Waterman family at 6:30 p.m., prior to the 3rd Degree meeting. I now call upon each and every Mason to help contribute to this worthy cause, enjoy a fine meal, and support our Lodge in a rousing 3rd Degree. All reservations should be made to our Secretary by January 20th.

**Annual Meeting**

Our Annual Meeting is scheduled for January 11th. Please mark your calendars accordingly.

**Special presentation**


**ATTENTION ALL MASONS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.....** You are cordially and fraternally invited to Oatka Lodge on February 8th to hear a wonderful presentation on personal finance from Bro. Mike Kazacos, VP Dean-Witter-Reynolds. This is an opportunity not to be missed by young or old alike. Brother Mike will guide us through the pitfalls of bad investments, or lack of investments, to the understanding and realization of getting and obtaining our financial goals throughout life. There will be a Q and A session after the program, so bring your portfolios, questions and a big appetite. We will have a dinner at 6:30 with the program scheduled to start promptly at 7:30 p.m. Call me for dinner reservations by February 3rd or feel free to just stop by for the program. Be sure to bring a Brother!

**Happy Holidays**  
 Please have a safe and happy Holiday Season!

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By W. Kenneth Rhodes  
**Traveling Gavel**

On October 25th seven Brothers from Charlotte-Corinthian Lodge No. 1088 silently crossed the Genesee River intent on retrieving this magnificent trophy. Upon succeeding in their mission, they did escape from the realm with their spoils and were last seen heading towards 4550 Lake Ave. where this trophy now resides.

**Communication**

The Annual Communication of Fame Lodge No. 945 will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 13th at 7:30 p.m. I am looking forward to meeting you there. This will be preceded by a Swiss Steak Dinner prepared by Culver Chapter, OES.

**Youth group**

Fidelity Triangle No. 4 is once again selling poinsettias as their Christmas fund raiser. These plants will be of the usual high standard for \$5.00 each. Anyone wishing to purchase one, please call me at 621-6051. Plants may be picked up on Sunday, Dec. 11th from 9:00 a.m. 'til 12:00 p.m., during which time a breakfast for \$3.00 may be purchased. This will be prepared by members of the Lodge. They will make ideal cheer for our members!

**Holidays**

The Holiday Season is fast approaching and I wish everyone a Happy Holiday Season and a prosperous New Year.


**Historical**

You may have tucked away at home or work, something that

**Craftsman**  
**Lodge No. 969**

W. William R. Hook,  
 Master  
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 O 288-3210

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



Robert F. Ogden, Secretary  
 385-1422  
 875 Main Street East  
 Rochester, N.Y. 14605

By Robert F. Ogden

**Brotherhood Fund**

As the Masonic Brotherhood Fund Campaign is in progress, please don't hesitate to mail in your contributions promptly. It supports many activities-the Masonic Home in Utica, Masonic Research and many more.

**3rd Degree**

A 3rd Degree is scheduled for December 20th, with two candidates receiving it. A dinner will precede the Degree.

**Dues**

There are dues for 1994 which are unpaid. Won't you please mail your check today? Thank you.

**Christmas Party**

December 11th will be our Christmas Party on the 3rd floor



Craftsman's cake to commemorate Little League Team.



Carl Schacht of Craftsman toasts 91st birthday in Atlanta, GA

may be of great importance to Fame Lodge No. 945. You can help if you have any old photographs (group or individual), post cards, programs, written materials, aprons, or anything else of historical interest.

We are sending out a special appeal to all Past Masters for a photo of themselves or any others from 1917-1994. These photos will be enlarged and mounted for display in the Lodge.

This is a gigantic task and can only be achieved with the assistance of all the Brothers. Please search around and if you find anything of interest to the Lodge, call and arrangements will be made to pick up the material.

of the Downtown Masonic Temple at 1:30 p.m. A clown, magician, and Mr. and Mrs. Santa will be on hand to amuse the children.

**Birthdays**

Greetings to the Brethren whose birthdays fall in December: Paul Case, Tom Colombo, Jack Grover, John Merrick, John Smith, Perry Sweet, and George Wyatt.

The Fellowcraft Club will meet on December 13th for a 3rd Degree rehearsal.

**Holidays**

A Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and a prosperous New Year to all.

**Craftsman's Little League Team Makes the Playoffs**

By W. Tom Kendig

Last season our Lodge sponsored a baseball team with the Webster Little League. One of the players was Ryan Hook, son of Bro. Kevin and Julie Hook and grandson of W. Bill and Helen Hook.

It was great fun to watch these youngsters get involved in a good game of baseball. This being one of our Community projects, I am sure we will be hearing from the Craftsman Team in the future.

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

The Masters and members of the Lodges of the Genesee/Wyoming District extend their deepest sympathy to the family of M..W.. Robert Singer, Grand Secretary. His untimely passing is a great loss to our Ancient Craft of Freemasonry.

#### Child I.D.

Congratulations to the Lodges that have sponsored fund raising activities. I hope others will follow. Our District is in the formative stage of activating a "Shoot" crew. Three or more crews are more desirable in order to have manpower available at specified time to aid Lodges in particular areas. Thanks to W.. Jack Hughes and others of the Erie Districts and W.. Robert Strang and W.. Shawn Wright (District Chairman), both of Attica Lodge, a successful "Shoot" was conducted in Alexander, NY. Many of our members attended to assist and learn the operations so that our District can perform our own "shoots".

Interesting facts of Child I.D. as gleaned from the Erie County Masonic News: over 5300 children have been taped to date. The Grand Lodge Committee is now in the process of re-writing the guidelines for a successful I.D. Program. The Erie Team has taped exchange students from Germany and Spain. One student talked about having seen the Square and Compasses on buildings in Germany. She has promised to take her tape to Masonic Lodges in Germany and tell them about this program being conducted throughout the State, and particularly in our Districts.

#### VA Visitation - Batavia

Masons of New York State visited all the Veterans Hospitals in the State on the designated date

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of Nov. 6th. Our dedicated representative, R..W.. Sheldon Moden, made our District visit successful with representatives of 5 Lodges presenting the donations of toiletries and stationery from Grand Lodge to the patients. One veteran said he was member of K. of C. and remembered when his group was in the formative state, they met in the local Masonic Lodge!

Both the Child I.D. and Veterans services are under the "Public Involvement & Awareness" Umbrella, coordinated by R..W.. Moden. Congratulations!

#### Brotherhood Fund

Most of the Lodges send requests for the Fund at the time of Summons for the Annual Meeting and dues notice. Please Brothers, do not remit your dues in the Fund envelope. Use this envelope for your donation and send it to your Lodge Chairman. This is the only main fund raiser for the many functions and operations of Grand Lodge. The Child I.D. Program can be specified on your selection and will be credited to your Lodge. Please donate, even if it is a "buck", to enable the Genesee/Wyoming District 100% participation. With 93,000 members at \$1.00 each, our goal would be attained!

Attend your Lodge and participate. Happy and Blessed Holidays.

## Grand Steward

Of the Grand Lodge  
Of the State of New York



R..W.. Donald E. Wagner

### Membership Umbrella continued

E. Sick and Shut-in Visitation Committee responsibilities:

1. To encourage each Lodge Master to appoint a Brother as the Lodge representative who will visit all the Lodge Brothers who are in a hospital, nursing home, or shut-in at home.
2. To receive a monthly report

from this Lodge representative giving the names of the hospital (room number) and also the names of all the Brothers who are shut-in at home (name, address, telephone number, and whether he can be visited) as soon as they are notified.

3. To send a monthly report to the membership Retention Co-ordinator (Chairman) which will contain the names, addresses, telephone numbers, and name of hospital or nursing home (where needed).

Treat your Lodge Brothers like you would like to be treated. F. Widow's Program Committee responsibilities:

1. To encourage Lodge Masters to have a Widow's Program.
2. To assist each Master in setting up a Widow's Program.
3. To notify the Membership Retention Co-ordinator if you are having trouble in setting up a Widow's Program in any Lodge.
4. To notify the Membership Retention Co-ordinator when and where each Widow's Program will take place.
5. To send a report to the Membership Retention Co-ordinator about any and all Widow's Programs that have taken place, and plans for the future.

Too many times the widows are totally forgotten when their husbands pass to the Grand East. Many of these Brothers have been pillars of our respective Lodges-true and faithful workmen.

I believe a dinner is very proper and an award-be it a flower or a certificate, or a Grand Lodge Widow's Pin-if it is the first time. They, of course, would be your guest for dinner and the proceeds would defray this cost and any profits realized could be earmarked for a worthwhile project-Child ID, to name but one.

G. Lodges and Temples Committees responsibilities:

1. To visit each Lodge and confer with the Master as to the condition of the Lodge, listing all the necessary repairs.
2. To visit each Lodge and confer with the Master and Trustees as to what Masonic equipment is needed to function as a Masonic Lodge.
3. To visit the Grand Lodge and confer with the Chairman of the Lodge and Temple Committee and find out what this Grand Lodge Committee can do for the District Lodges.

4. To send a monthly report to the Membership Retention Co-ordinator stating the condition of each Lodge in the District and repairs that are needed, and provide a list of such. The information gathered by these Committees will be of great value down the road.

We have in our District, the Area No. 16 Chairman, R..W.. Robert Nicoll. As he is our immediate Past District Deputy, he can provide invaluable help for this committee, the results of which will be quite notable in the near future.

This completes my agenda for Membership Retention for the Genesee/Wyoming District. As the Staff Officer, Membership Retention is my sole responsibility and I aim to see to it. As you already know, I have appointed a very capable chairman for the District's Membership Umbrella, W.. Glenn Cramer. You will be seeing and hearing from us at your Lodges. Your cooperation is most important. Without you, there can be no members to re-

tain. Can you go to your next regular communication and renew your Masonic life? Please do.

Lodge Committees-pick your Chair.

Have a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year. □

### Hot Numbers Genesee/Wyoming

#### DDGM:

Chester MacRae  
716-492-1257  
FAX 716-492-1966

#### GSB:

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716-591-2211

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John Cook, Chmn.  
716-237-2427

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John Bater  
716-548-7770

#### Membership Retention

Glenn Cramer  
716-353-7792

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



W.. D. Mark  
Madgett  
344-4199

2nd & 4th  
Tuesdays

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

By W.. Mark Madgett

#### A change of plans

In order to avoid a conflict with the Nov. 22nd Convention in Arcade, Batavia No. 475 will confer the 3rd Degree on Dec. 13th. The Genesee-Wyoming Master's & Wardens Association visitation will also be that evening. Filling the sideline at the raising of four new Master Masons will help make the night all the more memorable. Please contact our Secretary at 548-7148 ASAP if you are planning to attend the Prime Rib Dinner prior to the Degree. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m.

#### A special thanks

As Master, I thank all who helped out and participated with our Fellowcraft Degree on Nov. 8th. W.. Bob Strang was impressive as SD and delivered a sterling Middle Chamber Lecture. Bro. Dagen assisted with the working tools and, at his last meeting before retiring to Arizona, Bro. Dick Plue gave the Master's Charge.

#### Bingo Night

December 20th will be our Annual Bingo Night at the Veteran's Administration on Richmond Ave. in Batavia. The evening starts at 6:45 p.m. sharp. Everyone knows how much the veteran's look forward to this night and your attendance will be greatly appreciated.

#### In closing

A few growing pains notwithstanding, things continue to improve. Our next class of candidates is getting set, so if you've got a petition, turn it in, we have room for three at the present time. □

## HESPERUS Lodge No. 837



W.. John  
Specht,  
Master  
548-2694

1st and  
3rd  
Thursday

W.. John Bater  
Secretary 548-7770  
12 South Lake Ave.  
Bergen, N.Y. 14416

By W.. John Specht

Molly

Molly is back in Attica (as of this writing). On October 20th, at our 1st Degree, five members of Attica Lodge came to Hesperus to reclaim her. Eight members of Triluminal attended our November 3rd meeting in an effort to get her, but they were a bit late. We enjoyed your company anyway, R..W.. Keith and friends!

Fish Fry

Hesperus Lodge had their first Fish Fry in many years on October 14th. It was quite successful, with a profit of over \$200.00. I extend special thanks to Bro. Ralph Marsocci, W.. Jim MacConnell, and their crew, for another job well done.

2nd Degree

The 2nd Degree was conferred on two Brothers at our regular meeting on November 20th, with SW Ted Paine in the East. Chili and sandwiches were served after the meeting.

3rd Degree

There will be 3rd Degree practices on December 8th at 7:00 p.m., and on the 11th at 2:00 p.m. Degree conferral will be on December 15th, with a Ham and Scalloped Potato Dinner at 6:00 p.m.

Sauerkraut Supper

Our 2nd Annual Sauerkraut Supper on November 8th, (Election Day), went off well with a profit of around \$250.00. Thanks to Brothers Marty Krause, Ralph Marsocci, and their crew.

Grand Lecturer's Convention

This year's Convention was held in Arcade on November 22nd. M..W.. Calvin Bond and W.. John Jessop taught ritual work. A report on this will be included in next month's *Masonic Times*, as this article is being written prior to the event.

20-20 Party

The Temple Association put on their annual party on November 25th at the Bergen Fire Hall. Again, a report will follow next month.

Oyster Stew

December 1st is our Annual Oyster Stew Night. R..W.. Bob Seils always gets lots of oysters, so, if you want a real treat, show up for this regular meeting.

Christmas Boxes

We will meet at the Fire Hall at 7:00 p.m. on the 13th to cut and wrap the boxes. Last year we gave out more than 90 boxes.

Table Lodge

Our Annual Table Lodge is scheduled for January 5th at 7:30 p.m. Due to its overwhelming popularity, I must insist on advance ticket sales ONLY! Cost will remain at \$6.00 per person. To assure a seat, out of town guests should mail their checks, payable to Hesperus Lodge, to me at 7042 Townline Road, Bergen, NY 14416. □



### Attica Lodge

No. 462

F. & A.M.

R..W.. Donald E. Wagner, Master 591-2211



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

R..W.. Donald Van Son, Secretary 591-1390  
39 Main Street Attica, N. Y. 14011

By W.. Norman Steinbaugh  
Molly

Molly is at Attica Lodge as of this writing. Five members of Attica Lodge traveled to Bergen on October 20th and Molly returned to Attica with them. Who knows where she will be by the time you read this!

Thanks

The Attica Masons, OES, Odd Fellows and Rebekkahs, Buffet and New and Used Tuxedo Sale by Heide's Tuxedo of Buffalo, was a very successful fund raiser. Over \$900.00 was raised for Child ID and Hospice. Thanks to everyone who participated by donating or working on this event. Special thanks to Sherrie Grover, who made it all possible.

Widows Night

We honored nine widows at our Ladies Night and 3rd Annual Masonic Widows Night on October 28th. The outstanding entertainment, featuring Miss Samara Howe of Alexander, singing a tribute to Judy Garland, completed an enjoyable evening.

From the West

Remember the movie news reel "The March of Time"? From it I always thought of time marching, you know, left-right, left-right. One step at a time. Well, we have apparently gone through a time warp, because it now seems to be moving at mach speed.

The Masonic year is about half over, and much work remains to be done in the Quarries. Attica Lodge has raised \$728.50 for its Child ID Program. It has nine

men and some wives trained as of October of this year. You are doing very well indeed. Excellent.

W.. Norman and I are throwing the gauntlet down and challenging every Lodge in the Genesee/Wyoming District to do the same, or better. How about five men and \$600.00?

As women are a vital part of this endeavor, please include them in your efforts.

May the blessings of Heaven be yours during the holiday season. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

### CONSTELLATION Lodge No. 404

W.. Robert M. Burt, Master 237-5634



1st & 3rd Thursdays

R..W.. Charles Myers, Secretary 237-5990  
21 N. Main Street, Perry, NY 14530

By W.. Robert Burt

Thank you

First, I thank all the Brothers who attended our Bingo Night at the VA Hospital in Batavia. We all had a good time and the guys at the hospital were real appreciative of the time we spent with them. The VA Bingo Night always makes it easier to get up and go to work the next day!

Official Visit

On Thursday, November 3rd, we had the Official Visit of DDGM, R..W.. Chester MacRae. All the Brothers were very interested in the ideas that were presented. Also present that night was R..W.. Donald Wagner, Grand Steward. He explained the Umbrella Program to us. The meeting was followed by a slide show by Clark Rice. Clark was a photographer in World War II and has some excellent pictures he took overseas. If everyone could see this slide show, they would realize just how wonderful the country we live in is.

Times last month. Both Rt. Wthy. Leone and I are enjoying Masonry and Eastern Star events and we didn't realize the days were slipping by. On the 15th of the month, coming home from the Purple Apron Dinner, I got a cold chill and thought, "I forgot".

Clean-up

We had a session cleaning up the front of our building. The white trim was painted, fresh blue paint is on the doors, and the brace holding the lights was painted black. The lights were repainted by Mike Smith, and Paul Smith climbed up the ladder to paint the light brace. One problem is the cleaning of the sign which is made of copper or brass. Does any Brother know of a cleaner we could use? Let me

### Spaghetti Dinner

On November 12th at 4:30 p.m., Constellation Lodge, along with the OES, had a Spaghetti Dinner at the Perry Masonic Temple. The best Italian cooking this side of the Colorado River was served.

AGL Visit

AGL John Jessup visited us at Constellation Lodge on November 17th.

Remember

The best preparation for tomorrow is the proper use of today!!!

### Arcade Lodge No. 419 F. & A.M.

R..W.. Leonard Mason, Master 492-1813



2nd & 4th Tuesdays

W.. Scott Mason, Secretary 492-5410  
Main Street Arcade, New York 14009

By W.. Leonard W. Mason

By-laws changes

Our Annual Meeting is on December 13th. Revisions to the By-laws will be reviewed and voted upon. These revisions are designed to allow for necessary future changes in the fees charged for initiation, affiliation, etc. Additionally, it is recommended that the meeting time be 7:30 p.m. and only one meeting each for the months of January and February.

Some of the wording changes have been suggested so as to coincide with the recent changes made by Grand Lodge.

Last meeting of '94

This will be our last meeting of the year. It seems as though '94 just started and here we are at the end. Maybe it's because I'm a little older and time is going faster than before.

I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year on behalf of all the officers.

know. Through the many years, the sign has turned black.

We need 20 Drug Free School Zone signs for LeRoy Central, Pavilion Central, and Holy Family Schools. These signs are \$15.00 each. Please make a check payable to the Masonic Brotherhood Fund, designated "DFSZ Sign". The contribution is tax deductible. Please send your contribution to me at 19 East Main St., LeRoy, NY 14482-1209. We will show the Community that we Masons care about our kids and want to protect them.

There are many young men who would make good Masons if we encourage them. Each month there is an advertisement in the LeRoy Penny Saver about Masonry. Included with this article is an example.

### Masters & Wardens Association

GENESEE-WYOMING DISTRICT

President R..W.. Robert Nicoll 494-2148  
Vice President W.. John Specht 548-2694  
Secretary/Treasurer W.. George Springett 247-3557

By W.. George Springett

1. Who is the Association for? Any Master Mason in good standing.

2. Who can attend the meetings? Any Master Mason in good standing.

3. Why should I as a Master Mason attend? To receive more light in Masonry through your inquiries and participation. Yes, we are there to answer your questions about anything to support your education and growth in Freemasonry, your Lodge and our District.

Please take notice that this is not an association run by the District Grand Lodge Officers, nor is it for development by Grand Lodge of their programs, mandates or edicts.

This is a grass-roots association of our own District Lodges involved in letting you know that you are not alone in your Lodge. We are a forum to attend to your necessities, be they shepherding, filling the sidelines, filling the stations for a pending degree or a discussion place to aid in satisfying Grand Lodge requests.

Some questions I have in mind to attend to your needs are a District speakers bureau or a degree teaching team. Any suggestions that you have will be appreciated. This is a benevolent association supporting your Lodge and can use your support by your attendance at the meetings. This is your association.

Note: District Directories are now available.

Special events

Dec. 13 - Genesee-Wyoming Masters & Wardens Visitation, Batavia No. 475. Prime Rib Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting will begin at 8:00 p.m. Reservations may be made to R. Dagen, 548-7148.

Jan. 5 - Table Lodge - Hesperus No. 837 in Bergen, NY at 7:00 p.m. Dinner will cost \$6.00

Jan. 14 - Table Lodge - Oakland Lodge No. 379 in Castile in conjunction with Constellation No. 404 and Triluminar No. 543 at 7:00 p.m. The cost is \$7.00 and reservations are required.

Jan. 15 - Council of Masonic Activities - 2 p.m. Warsaw, NY. Genesee-Wyoming Masters & Wardens - Warsaw, NY.

### Degrees

1st Degree - Jan. 24, Arcade No. 419. Help is needed. Call 492-5410

2nd Degree - Dec. 6, Warsaw No. 549; Dec. 14, Triluminar No. 543

3rd Degree - Dec. 13, Batavia No. 475; Dec. 15, Hesperus No. 837; Jan. 11, Triluminar No. 543. Help is needed. Call 493-2908.

Call the Secretary of M & W Association to have your events and degrees included in this listing.

### Purple Apron Club

GENESEE-WYOMING DISTRICT

President R..W.. Leonard W. Mason 492-4198  
Vice-President R..W.. John S. Stockholm 591-2714  
Secretary/Treasurer R..W.. Sheldon J. Moden 322-7343

By R..W.. Leonard W. Mason

The Purple Apron Installations that used to start in January, with all the cold weather and snow, are now held in the Summer. Change is what keeps most of us going, either trying to keep up or leading the way.

From a few reports, it sounds like there are going to be some new members being raised in 1995. This is good news and shows that our District is still out working on their membership.

Keep up the good work, have a Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and Happy Hanukkah.

### District Deputy Grand High Priest

Royal Arch Masons  
29th Capitulat District  
Rt. Exc.  
Kenneth E. Kohlhaugen  
591-9598

Great weather

How fortunate we are, for here it is December and the weather is almost Spring-like (at this writing). However, the calendar, year's end generally means Election of Officers in subordinate Chapters, reports to be rendered and preparation made for the Holiday Season.

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

R..W.. Robert Nicoll, Master 768-7922



1st & 3rd Wednesdays

W.. R. A. Forbes, Secretary 768-2657  
8 West Main Street LeRoy, N. Y. 14482

By W.. Robert Nicoll

Sorry for the slip-up

First, I apologize for not having an article in the Masonic

### About Freemasonry

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The Grand High Priest urges our continued support of the Royal Arch Charities, the Medical Research Wing at Utica and the Scholarship Fund through individual contributions and the sale of the Royal Arch stamps. If you are undecided as to which to support, let the Grand High Priest decide for you, by designating your contribution to the Grand High Priest's Allocation.

The last report I received from RE Ted Harrison, Chairman of the Royal Arch Charities, showed that there were only 8 contributions from the 29th District to date. If you haven't sent in a contribution, do it now, and for tax purposes, send it to the Grand Secretary before December 31st. Have a Happy Holiday Season. □

**Batavia Commandery  
No. 34  
Knights Templar**



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SK Harry L. Brown,  
Commander  
SK Allen L. Capwell  
Recorder 786-3897

Masonic Temple  
200 E. Main Street  
Batavia, NY 14020

By SK Harry L. Brown

Since returning from Summer recess, our Commandery has enjoyed an informative and pleasant Fall. On November 10th, we had our Annual Thanksgiving Dinner with turkey and all the trimmings. It was prepared for us by our Ladies of the Temple. Following dinner, we had an Open Meeting which consisted of a program by Amy Wing, a young lady we sponsored on a trip to Europe this past year. She showed slides and gave a very interesting presentation about her journey. Amy is the daughter of RE Steve Wing.

**December meetings**

Our December 8th meeting will be our Annual Christmas Celebration in honor of our Past Prelate ESK and Rev. Eligius Rainer.

**Welcome**

We welcome our new member, SK Kenneth Robinson, who

received his Order of Knighthood in Rochester on November 5th. We have 2 more candidates who will be receiving their Knighthood on November 19th in East Aurora.

**A big move**

We will miss our Prelate, E Richard Plue, who has moved to Arizona. Our best wishes go with him and his Lady, Barbara. E Kenneth Kohlhagen has been installed as Prelate to fill the vacancy.

**Happy Holidays**

I wish all of the Sir Knights and their Ladies a very Merry Christmas and a successful and Happy New Year. □

**Nun-Da-Wa-Ga  
Council No. 92**

4th Monday  
Robert F. Dagen  
Ill. Master  
548-7148

§  
Kenneth E. Kohlhagen  
Recorder  
535-7511

West Main Street  
LeRoy, NY 14482

By Robert F. Dagen

**Thanksgiving**

I trust that you all of you had an enjoyable Thanksgiving celebration and didn't eat too much. It is always very enjoyable for those who have the opportunity to have the family together for this special day. We all should be aware of just what significance this holiday represents. We generally have the opportunity to enjoy the plentiful benefits which many others throughout the world don't enjoy. For this we should be eternally grateful.

**Holiday Season**

The upcoming Holiday Season represents something even more significant, the birthday of our Christ Child, which was just the beginning of the many blessings which God in his infinite ways gives us hope and salvation through our faith in Him. We need to return to the religious aspect of this Christmas season, making commercialization secondary and keeping the true meaning of Christmas primary for this joyous season.

**Official Visit**

As of this writing, Rt. Ill. Reuben E. Long, and several other Companions plan to attend the Assembly on November 28th. This will be his Official Visit and he plans to assist in the conferral of the Select Degree on three can-

didates. We are planning to confer the degrees again during the Spring, so I ask each one of you to solicit your fellow Royal Arch Companions and inform them of the mysteries of Cryptic Masonry. Send the completed petitions to me or the Recorder so that we may bring them to "further light in Masonry".

**New roster**

Over the next few weeks, I am planning to make a joint effort with the Recorder to put together a new roster of Nun-Da-Wa-Ga Council No. 92. This will be made available to each of you. We also have copies of the history of the beginnings of our Council. If you would like one, please contact me.

**Sickness and distress**

Comp. Donald Clattenburg is home from the hospital. We wish him well and are keeping him in our thoughts and prayers. Comp. Carlton Talbot now resides at: New England Deaconess Home, 80 Deaconess Rd., Apt. 346, Concord, MA 01742-4199. I am sure a card or letter would be appreciated. Please keep me informed of any companions who are in need of our aid or sympathy.

**Happy Holidays**

In closing, I wish each and everyone of you and your families a 'Happy Holiday Season' and a 'Happy and Prosperous New Year'. God bless each one of you - stay warm!!! I am looking forward to seeing you at our January Assembly. □

**HiLights**  
**Order of the  
Eastern Star**  
**GENESEE-WYOMING  
DISTRICT**  
**Rt. Wthy. Judy Walters**

591-2581

**Grand Officers**

The "Sweetest Little District" is proud to announce the District Appointed Grand Officers for 1995. A joint Reception was held on November 2nd in Pike at Stebbins Chapter No. 503. Honored were Rt. Wthy. Waneta Krauss of Stebbins Chapter, Grand Musician; Rt. Wthy. Marilyn Liles of Hesperus Chapter No. 823, Bergen, District Deputy Grand Matron; and Rt. Wthy. Clinton Strong of Vernon Chapter No. 611, Java Village, District Grand Lecturer. Rt. Wthy. Diana Bucknam continues to serve another year as Grand Rep. to Texas. Our District Chapters will support their efforts and look forward to the many plans being made for special projects in the coming year.

**Fun event**

The first project is a fun event under the guidance of Rt. Wthy. Marilyn for a journey to Niagara Falls, via bus from Batavia, to see the Festival of Lights on December 17th. The trip will include shopping 'til we drop, dinner and the tour of the City Light Festival. Upon receipt of this information, if you would like to join us (if there is room due to a cancellation), please call Rt. Wthy. Marilyn at 343-9298. It promises to be a wonderful adventure and good fellowship!

**Sickness**

Mt. Wthy. Mary T. Strong continues to improve and was able to travel to Grand Sessions and attend the Receptions for the new Grand Officers.

We are all praying that Rt. Wthy. Dolores Hargrave will also recover quickly from her recent knee surgery.

**Communicate**

Our District is proud of the effort to inform our Communities about the good work that we do for others, such as the recent Tux and Accessory Sale and Dinner fund raiser. The proceeds were divided between the Child ID Program and Hospice of Batavia.

As Editor for the District, I ask that any member feel free to call or write me with news about your Chapter, so that it will be included in the next issue of the Times. □

**December 1994  
Brotherhood Comm.**

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You're a member of the greatest Fraternity in the world. Your Masonic ties stretch back well over two centuries. Your Masonic Associations link you with some of the most famous historical figures of all time. Surely some of this historical greatness resides in you too. Be an heroic figure, be as great as George Washington or Teddy Roosevelt. Contribute to the MASONIC BROTHERHOOD FUND.

Are you aware that non-Masonic contributors count towards your Lodge goal of 55% participation? How successful would we be if everyone who made a donation was also able to get a non-Mason to make a modest contribution as well? Here's something YOU can do that will greatly increase our chances of meeting our goal. Won't you try? □

**Acacia Village, I.R.L.C., Utica**



M. W. Gary A. Henningsen and the Honorable Sherwood Boehlert, Congressman for the 23rd District, cutting the ribbon at Utica.

During the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Acacia Village on October 22nd, R. W. Seymour Dember, President of the Board of Trustees of the Masonic Hall and Asylum Fund, excited the crowd with a glimpse of how Village residents will be living in this dynamic new Community.

Grand Master, M. W. Gary A. Henningsen and members of the Grand Line joined the Honorable Sherwood Boehlert, Congressman of the 23rd Congressional District in welcoming over 500 Masons and Community members to the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony.

Following the Ceremony, visitors enjoyed refreshments in the elegant dining room while music filled the air. Prospective residents toured the deluxe apartments now available for lease.

To assist individuals in choosing to enjoy their retirement years in a fulfilling, active Community, they are offering several incentives. For all residents who move into the Community before December 31, 1994, the first month's rent is free. For all residents who move in before May 1, 1995, there is a \$1,000 allowance for moving or decorating expenses. For those wishing to visit Acacia Village, the Trustees are providing accommodations on the Campus.

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**Bureau of Masonic Ed.**  
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Section of the 3rd Degree. He then set up a rehearsal schedule and started to review the Master's work.

In the meantime, George, with renewed enthusiasm after an excellent 2nd Degree, was learning the 2nd Degree Lecture.

The first 3rd Degree rehearsal was terrible. No one knew what to do or what to say or when to say it. They muddled through, but no one was satisfied. Sam didn't know what to do, so he called Past Master Clarence.

"Clarence, I'm having a problem teaching my officers the 3rd Degree ritual", said Sam. "Can you help?"

"It's been a long time since I did any ritual work, but I'll come to your next rehearsal. I'll also call the Assistant Grand Lecturer and ask him to be there", replied Clarence.

"What's an Assistant Grand Lecturer?", said Sam.

"He's the local representative of the Grand Lecturer. He's responsible for teaching the ritual and helping Lodges to do the work correctly", said Clarence.

The AGL, Edgar, came to the next 2 rehearsals. Sam was impressed with his knowledge and how well he worked with the officers and other members of the Degree Team.

When the evening came for the 3rd Degree, everyone was ready. Worshipful Sam was nervous. He worked on calming himself. Everyone did what they were supposed to, when they were supposed to and said what they were supposed to. George was even more impressed, having remembered his 1st Degree. In the end Sam was happy and he even received many compliments on the work. Word got around to members of the Lodge that weren't at the 3rd Degree. Next meeting there were very few empty seats.

Next we will follow George as he progresses through the chairs and gains knowledge of Masonry.


**Coming Events**

This is your last notice to register for the Leadership Development Course being presented by the Bureau of Masonic Education in conjunction with the Grand Lodge Staff Officers on 2 Saturday mornings in January. The first part will be on January 14th and the second on January 28th. The first session will be held at Charlotte-Corinthian Lodge and the second at Webster Lodge. The program starts each day at 8:00 a.m. and will end before noon. Coffee and tea, along with light refreshments, will be provided. This Course is open to all Master Masons, especially newly raised Brothers and all line officers. Registration information is elsewhere in this issue.

We are entering the planning stage for the Entry Level Course. The Course will be held on Wednesday, April 5th. This Course is intended for newly raised Brothers and any other Brother who would like a refresher in Lodge protocol. We will give more details as they become available.

We welcome W.: Marcel Goldenberg as a new member of the Executive Board of the Bureau of Masonic Education. Marcel brings with him, experience in three Grand Jurisdictions, namely Alberta, Jamaica and New York, as well as having served as Master of a Lodge in Jamaica.

**Grand Lodge  
Veterans Service  
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R.W. THOMAS M. PAGLIA  
REPRESENTATIVE

**Thank you! Thank you!**  
**GRAND LODGE MASONIC VETERANS DAY** was a great, if not a huge success. A total of 39 people were there to help make it a wonderful day for the veterans. There were 15 young people there who learned a lot about what being a veteran means. It made for a fantastic Masonic showing.

Those of us who go there on our usual visitation day were more than inspired by what all of those who were there did to make it such a joyous day. Ice cream, candy and cookies were distributed to the veterans plus a large goodie bag with various comfort items were given. Such a small gift in our eyes, but what a large and important gift it was to the veterans. Many, many thanks to Grand Lodge for their contribution.



VAMC  
Canandaigua, NY

By W.: Harold Bollotin

The largest turnout of volunteer visitors probably ever experienced in the history of the VA visits occurred on Sunday, November 13th.

**Attendance**

Of course, there were the regulars: Harold and Sylvia Bollotin, Tom and Cora Paglia, Paul and Doris Robertson, Courtland Young and June Moon. They were joined by a number of Brothers from: Charlotte/Corinthian, Valley/Simes, John A. Robertson, ERAC, Towpath, Webster, Seneca and Fame Lodges together with the girls from Fidelity Triangle and the boys from Rochester Chapter DeMolay.

**Patients visited**

Gifts of comfort kits from Grand Lodge were distributed to the patients, in addition to cookies and candy bars, which were well received and appreciated by them. Our purpose, as always, was to provide cheer to the hospitalized veterans. Many expressed their appreciation and thanked us for our visit and will be looking forward to seeing us again..

**Special visitation**

Not only do we visit and chat with all the veterans, but we also take extra time to visit with Masonic patients. Special attention and Forget-me-not Pins were given to W.: Jesse Mattson, PM Penfield Union Lodge No.154

and Bro. Gordon Field, Hope Lodge No. 5, South Kingston, RI. A great many of the visitors partook of the fine breakfast provided at the Canandaigua Masonic Temple by the Masons and O.E.S. ladies from the local Masonic Community prior to the hospital visitation. This was enjoyed by all.



A gathering of Masons on GrandLodge Visitation Day, (front to back) Harold Bollotin, Tom Paglia, Rich Friedman, Ken Rhodes (next row) Bob Crystal, Dan Walker, Bill Spillane, John Cooper, Bruce Chilton, Mike Staub (next row) Court Young, Randy Griswold, John Dudley, Paul Robertson, Austin Keith, (backrow) John Cooper, Sr., Don Freeman, Terry Wihlen.



Court Young, Rich Friedman, Harold Bollotin, Terry Wihlen, Bruce Chilton, John Dudley, Don Freeman, Ken Rhodes presenting For-get-me-not pin to W.: Jesse Mattson.



Bob Crystal with DeMolay Boys and Triangle Girls (not all identified) John Cooper, Jr., Adam Knapp, Gene Knapp, Javier Soria, Danny Rodriguez, Mathew Ima, Bill Arthur, Peter DuBois, Belinda Cooper, Lynn Arthur and others.



Linda Walker, Cora Paglia, June Moon and Doris Robertson at the Canandaigua Veteran's Hospital.

**Coming events**

Tuesday, December 6, 1994, will be the occasion for our Annual Gift Wrapping Session, Building 5 Auditorium, 1:00 p.m. This is always a fun event. Please join us!

Sunday, December 18, 1994, will be the Annual Holiday Gift Distribution to the Wards, starting in Building 5 at 12:00 Noon. This has always been a very re-

warding experience and one greatly appreciated by the patients. Many other Fraternal Veteran's Organizations will be present. Let us have a good showing from the Masons. Please, join us! We expect that breakfast will be available at the Canandaigua Masonic Temple as usual.

**Volunteers needed**

More people are needed for our regular visits during the year. As mentioned in the past articles, our ranks have dwindled. If anyone would like information or would like to volunteer, please call R.: W.: Tom Paglia, at 227-2046 or if you can't reach him, call me, W.: Harold Bollotin, at 342-5865 and I'll get the message to him.

**Membership  
Development  
Umbrella**



Arthur Mason, Chairman  
H 671-8283, W 454-3224


By W.: Art Mason

At last month's meeting with the Grand Master, it became clear that membership development is one of the priority areas of the Grand Lodge. For those of you who were not there, the Grand Master emphasized the importance of bringing in new members if our Craft is to survive and how we must overcome old beliefs about reaching out to those who might join our Fraternity.

The results of the various membership development programs so far have been mixed. Some have met with great success (one Lodge got 9 petitions), while some are still struggling to get guests to attend. For those who are struggling, PLEASE don't give up!!! Continue to make the effort even if no guests show up. Practice the presentations, program format, etc. so when someone does attend, you will be polished and ready to go! If you don't think your program format is working, contact your Umbrella quadrant rep. or me and ask for assistance. A Lodge recently told me that the members were not able to put on a Bring-a-Friend Program due to lack of manpower. After a brief consultation, we agreed that they will try to team up with another Lodge to "co-produce" a membership development night. LETS GO!

Upcoming BBN Programs scheduled are: Churchville - Dec. 15th, Fairport - Dec. 12th, Webster - Jan. 5th, Seneca - Jan. 10th, Craftsman, Jan. 17th. Consider visiting one of these Lodges to learn how others do it and how their ideas might help you!

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**Get ready for Spring**

Participate as a group in keeping our State beautiful. We suggested copying those who have adopted a highway, as reported in the November Times. How about cleaning a stream, adopting a sports field, being a reading-tutor for children or getting ready to put on a "Christmas in May". This last suggestion is an event that will improve the lives of those less fortunate in a Geriatric Center, a Day Care Center, or Hospice. Plan to provide gifts, food or just services that are lacking, but for a hammer and a couple of nails. It only requires a short term commitment of the time and talents by your members. You will be showing the service-orientation of our Fraternity at a time when it's least expected and when it's not being done by everyone else.

**Where are those DeWitt Clinton Awards?**

We're looking for pictures and articles to appear in Masonic or other public media, telling about the person in your Community who has earned this Award because of you.

This doesn't take prolonged effort or a great swarm of workers to accomplish.

**Masons in action**

The final programs have been completed. These comprise a total of 19 professional films on 3/4 inch TV tape ready for use in the marketplace. They are designed for use on local public access television stations and are available through the Grand Secretary's Office.

Some have already been aired in Rochester on Channel 12, because our Grand Lodge Officers were able to acquire advance copies. If you've seen them, tell your Master so he can pass the word at Masters and Wardens that we are becoming visible.

**Inform - not educate**

The purpose of these tapes is to inform the public, and perhaps ourselves, about what Masons are doing in the Community. It's up to us to spread the word.

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# Scottish Rite NEWS

Consistory  
Chapter of Rose Croix  
Council of Princes of Jerusalem  
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## From the Desk of:

**Ill.: Rodney R. Rittenhouse, 33°**  
Commander-in-Chief



### Family Program

Our November meeting was the occasion of our Family Life Week Program. It featured an evening of entertainment, including Howard Edmond, a distinguished story teller. He did a great job of presenting very interesting stories. The evening was topped off with everyone building their own sundaes. A special thank you to the Council of Princes of Jerusalem Officers, under the direction of Robert E. Cameron, Sovereign Prince, for arranging this program.

### Reunion

By the time you read this article, our Reunion of November 17-19 will be over. I would like to thank all those who helped in the Degrees and congratulate the new members of the Ill.: Robert N. Forest, 33°, Class. I remind you all that our Spring Reunion will be here before you know it, so please start thinking about asking a Brother to join us in our fellowship and fun. We need your help in our membership efforts.

### Working together

Along the lines of membership, it should be pointed out that

the Scottish Rite is also committed to assisting the Symbolic Lodges in their membership programs. The Rochester Consistory is very interested in supporting the Lodges in our area. If you know of anybody who you think would be interested in Masonry, please contact them or let us know and we will be very happy to discuss it with him. Masonry is one happy family and we need to support each other.

### December meeting

Our December 1st meeting will be a program featuring Timothy Schramm on the new organ at 7:00 p.m. and the "Bushnell's Basin Delegation" at 8:00 p.m.. It will be held in Cathedral Hall. The Rochester based folksinging duo consists of Bob and Donna Russell. They have been performing throughout Upstate New York for over 18 years. If you have heard them before you will want to hear them again and if you have not had that privilege, be sure to come. This program, hosted by Rochester Chapter of Rose Croix, is open to the public. Bring your ladies and friends. I look forward to seeing you all there.

As I have stated before, your participation in our programs is appreciated and your suggestions and support are requested. See you in Lodge. □

### Hospitaler's Report

By Thomas M. Paglia, 32° MS

Larry Geith, 32° MS - has had a few hospital stays, but doing better.

Norman H. Selke, 33° - had cataract surgery and an implant. He says his sight has improved already.

Robert N. Forest, 33° - is still critically ill and has appreciated the many cards and calls.

Edward Shaw - out of the nursing home.

Patrick J.S. McNenny - In the hospital for tests, heart problems. □

## Supreme Council Adds 4th Charity

Cleveland, Ohio, September 27. Sovereign Grand Commander Robert O. Ralston, addressing his first Supreme Council Annual Meeting since assuming his office last September, asked for the support of the 360,000 Scottish Rite members throughout the 15-state Northern Jurisdiction in undertaking a fourth Supreme Council charitable activity--the creation of a series of Children's Learning Centers in the Valleys of the Rite throughout the Northern area. This new activity would complement the already existing chain of more than 100 such Learning Centers located throughout the 35 states of the Scottish Rite Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.

### Local Learning Centers

Speaking of the fact that 10% of the nation's children encounter problems with recognized learning disabilities such as dyslexia, the Northern Jurisdiction's new leader referred to the special benefits of such a fourth charity for his jurisdiction. Two such Learning Centers already in place in Newtonville and Lowell, Massachusetts, and a Summer program of similar nature sponsored by the Rite at Marquette, Michigan, will be known as Scottish Rite Masonic Children's Learning Centers. Input is currently being received from recognized authorities in this field. The Commander commented that while the Supreme Council itself will provide "seed" money for the established new Centers, as well as modest support for the operations of established Centers, it will be necessary to have the encouragement, active support and financial contributions of state and local Scottish Rite Organizations.

The new fourth charity is being set up as a separate charitable entity with overall guidance by the Northern Supreme Council. J. Philip Berquist of Auburndale, Massachusetts, Deputy for Massachusetts, and the founder of the first two Centers there, will lead the new program with the assistance of Drew W. Washabau of Greensburg, Pennsylvania, and an Active Member of the Supreme Council in that state, will direct fund raising requirements.

### Schizophrenia Research

The new Scottish Rite Masonic Children's Learning Centers will join the three older Supreme Council Charities now in existence. They will continue unabated as part of Northern Scottish Rite's ongoing endeavor to be of greater service to mankind.

The oldest charity has been in existence since 1933. This basic and coordinated schizophrenia research project was started to determine the underlying causes of an illness that so often affects younger people who are on the threshold of successful lives and productive careers. To date, the Supreme Council Benevolent Foundation has contributed more than \$20 million through support of investigative projects in the leading scientific laboratories in the U.S.A., Canada, Israel, Denmark and other countries on the elusive secrets that schizophrenia continues to withhold.

### Abbott Scholarship

The Supreme Council's second charity, the Abbott Scottish Rite Scholarship Program, dates back to 1951. This program provides financial assistance to the offspring of Scottish Rite members and to the young men and women who are participants in such Masonic-related youth as the DeMolay, Rainbow and Job's Daughters. Some \$350,000 is currently appropriated annually to assist 350 young people in colleges, universities and other institutions of higher learning.

### Museum

The Northern Masonic Jurisdiction's third charity saw the light of day in the late 1970's and early 1980's as the then Sovereign Grand Commander, George A. Newberry, and the

Supreme Council, planned and established the Scottish Rite Museum of Our National Heritage at Lexington, Massachusetts. This was the contribution by the Northern Jurisdiction to the nation's approaching Bicentennial observance. Dedicated on April 19, 1975, this Museum and Library facility, constructed at the cost of \$6 million, has welcomed more than one million visitors in its two decades of operation and now requires a budget of \$2 million annually to carry out its announced mission of preserving and displaying examples of the many things that have had a part in bringing the U.S.A. to such a prominent position among the nations of the world in the comparatively short space of two hundred years. □

## The Bushnell's Basin Delegation



Bill and Donna Russell who will entertain at the Scottish Rite Program Meeting on December 1st.

### I Believe in Music

By William R. Zufall

On Thursday, December 1st, the Valley of Rochester will present a musical program featuring seasonal organ music and folk singing. The program will begin at 7:00 p.m. with skilled organist, Timothy Schramm, playing the magnificent new electronic organ in Cathedral Hall. He will be followed at 8:00 p.m. by the folk songs of the "Bushnell's Basin Delegation". Your ladies and friends are invited to join us, of course, and it is anticipated that all will enjoy the program.

Most of us are still in the early stages of appreciating the tremendous sound and versatility of special effects that our new organ can produce. Mr. Schramm, who is a representative of the Allen Organ Co., is very well equipped to demonstrate this instrument for us.

The "Bushnell's Basin Delegation" is a Rochester based

folksinging duo consisting of Bob and Donna Russell, who also play a wide variety of folk instruments. Included are guitar, banjo, mountain dulcimer, bass, bowed psaltery and melodian. They involve their audiences in their presentation with hand clapping and singing on the choruses of most of the songs. Their performances have been presented in the Rochester area and throughout upstate New York for the past 18 years, both at private parties and at public festivals. They also have performed in the lounge at Richardson's Canal House Inn for the past 10 years.

Following the program, fresh pies with cheese and appropriate beverages will be served in the Third Floor Dining Room.

The program is hosted by Rochester Chapter of Rose Croix, and is co-chaired by Rev. Paul Gleason, Bill Zufall and the Most Wise Master, David Clarke.

Please plan to join us with your ladies and friends for this entertaining program on December 1st! □

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**New Billing System**

By Jean Brugger

We are now doing our billing from the Supreme Council Data Processing System in Lexington, MA. Those of you who have received your membership card with your bill will note an error in the date at the bottom. Corrected cards with the expiration date of December 31, 1995 will be sent to you. Your membership card is valid **ONLY IF YOUR DUES ARE PAID**.

Members owing dues for more than 1995 will receive their card upon receipt of their dues. They are in the Scottish Rite Office.

This new system will save the Valley money by eliminating the postage involved in mailing the bulk of the cards separately.

We are sorry if this has caused any confusion. □

**Christmas Meditation**

If there were no Christmas, our idea of God might be vast and spacious; it could never be homey and happy. A God who revealed Himself only in great times-in suns, systems, and far-awaysplendor-would remain remote; He would never be intimately near. Such words as Eternity and Infinity chill our spirits and make our minds reel. They tell of a God who sits in silence on the far-away hills of wonder, aloft, aloof, unapproachable.

But God is not infinite unless He can also reveal Himself in little things, in a cozy room and a hearthside which speaks of a family and a home. Love is lost in immensities; it comes in simple, gentle ways, and that is why, on Christmas, religion is so lovely, so full of caresses. God did not

come like Gulliver to the Lilliputians, a giant to tiny folk; He took our tiny shape and walked amid our short days of sun and frost.

Not standing afar off waiting for us to draw nigh, God sought us out, trying all the doors, making Himself small as a babe and lying down on the doorstep of the world, until the world, moved by the cry of a child, opened a door that had remained barred to threats and avenging thunders, took the Child in, and, unwittingly, let God in. Did ever anyone hear such a story? Even in fairyland, where the impossible is true, it breaks the heart-and mends it.

It is so simple, yet so ineffable; and that is why it is so irresistible. At once august and intimate, eternal and humble, He came, one of the children of the year,

revealing how we are "caught in the coil of God's remances". It is beyond human invention. Only God could have thought of Christmas. (Courtesy of *Scottish Rite News, Erie, PA*) □

**Bless Little Things**

According to the poet, there was once a wife and mother whose routine was a succession of little things.

There was sweeping to do every day, beds to be made, meals to be cooked, and clothes to be mended. There were sleepy heads to be coaxed to go to bed at night, and sleeper heads to wake in the morning and get off to school.

There were aches and pains to be healed, and hurt feelings to be soothed. There were minor misdeeds to be punished, and solemn judgements to be rendered over laughable issues in dispute.

The Children were given coloring books and ID Kits, purchased from the Supreme Council.

At the conclusion of the presentation in Cathedral Hall, everyone retired to the Third Floor Dining Room to a "Build Your Own Sundae" festivity, where the kids (and grownups) heaped strawberries, whipped cream, nuts and a variety of syrups, on their ice cream.

A big thank you to Bob Cameron and his Council Officers for planning this great evening. □

Outside the home there was small talk with neighbors and friends, plus the joys and sorrows common to all. And so on, ad infinitum.

Now this woman entangled in little things, none the less dreamed of doing something big. She identified herself with the glamorous figures of movie and television fame, and lost herself in their fictional adventures.

But of course, it was only a dream. How could she have what others had, do what others did? With her petty round of cares, difficulties, troubles, there was never time. There never would be time.

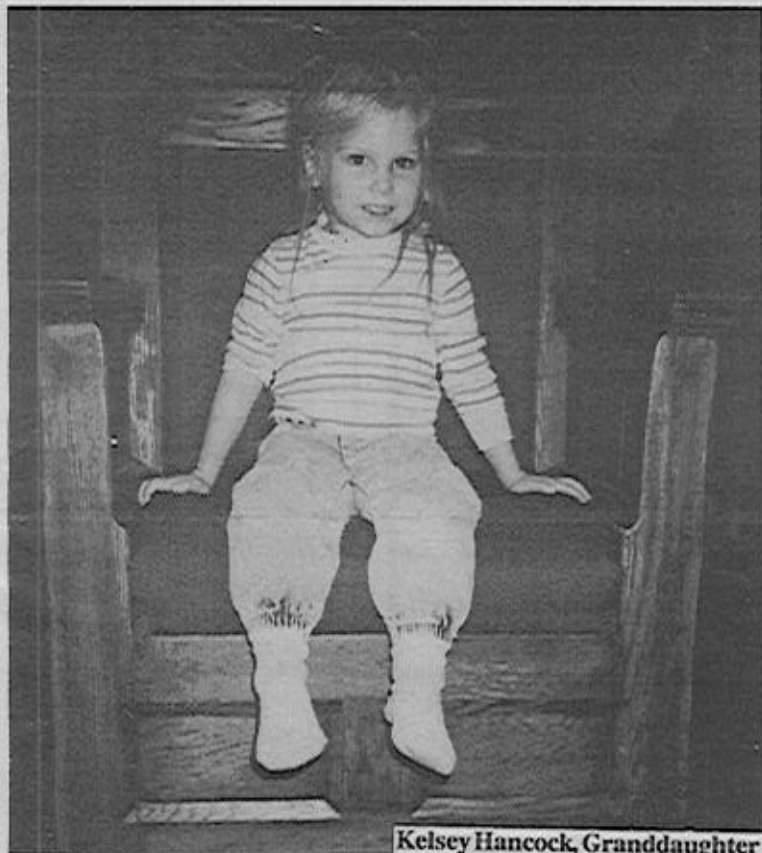
Then one day there suddenly was time! Her chores were easier now. Her responsibilities were lighter. Her house was uncluttered now. Her hands were unbusy. At long last she could do those things she counted great!

And did a sense of blessed release uplift her? You've guessed it-No! For: "Now from her heart this one prayer sings, God give me back the little things." □

**November 3rd Scottish Rite Family Life Week Program A Great Night**

By Jean Brugger

In Cathedral Hall, on November 3rd at our Family Night Program, we had the pleasure of hearing Howard Edmond, a distinguished story teller. His stories included: *The Peddler's Dream, A Boy Named Jack, Old Joe and the Carpenter, Grandmother's Table, The Foolish Rabbit's Big Mistake and The Three Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig*. The children and adults alike were entranced with the way the stories were told.



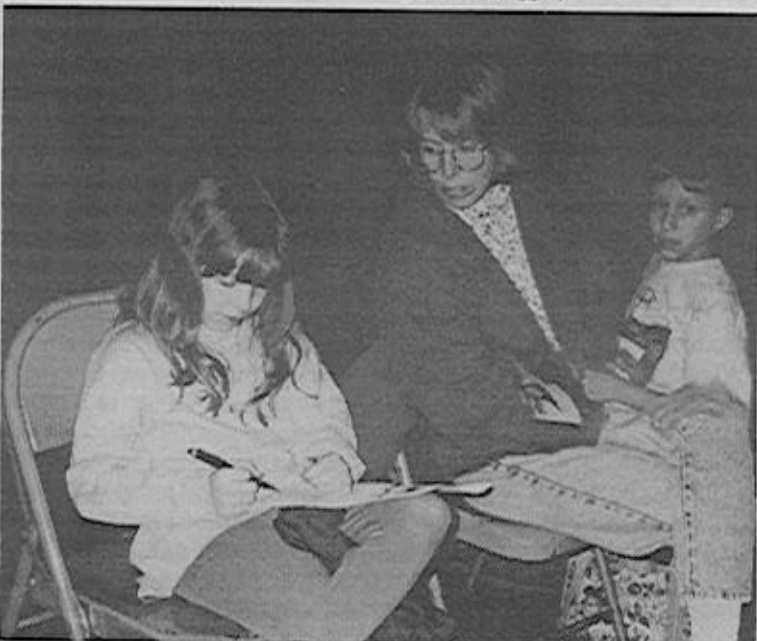
Kelsey Hancock, Granddaughter of Charles Hancock.



Storyteller Howard Edmond, spinning a tale. (Photos courtesy of Jean Brugger)



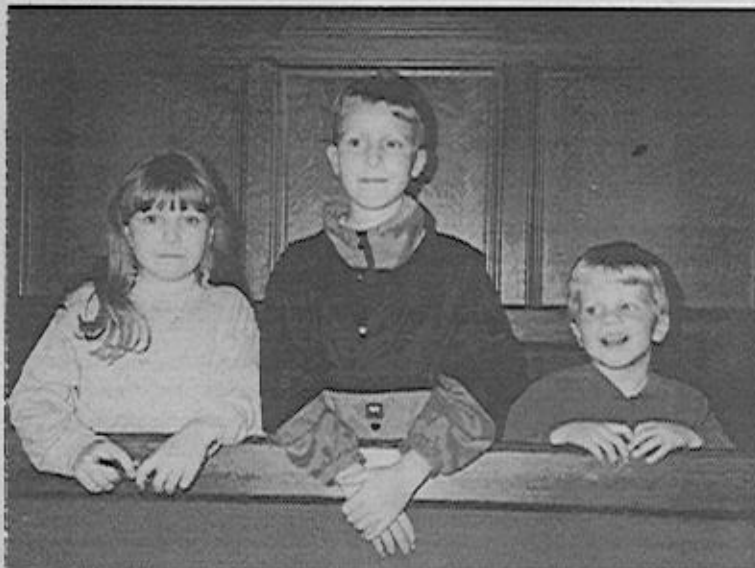
Megan Clark, Granddaughter of Wm. and Dorothy Fredenburg.



Schwartz Family enjoying the coloring books.



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# York Rite NEWS

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### Seal Program

My commendations to each Chapter and every member in the District for the excellent support you have so far given to the Royal Arch Charities. We are currently number 2 in the State. However, we are still \$300 short of providing 3 Scholarships in our District. Certainly there are enough persons who have not yet contributed to our Seal Program that, if they did so, would put us over the top. Please make your checks payable to the "Grand Chapter Scholarship Fund", and mark in the lower left corner, "Seal Program". We have already shown the State how to do it. Let's pour it on and demonstrate to all that we care about our kids.

### Open Installation

We are planning a combined Open Installation at Hiram on Thursday, January 12th, 1995. If Webster, Livonia, or Dansville would like to participate, please call me at 473-4351 (w) or 377-0367 (h).

### Invitation

We invite the two candidates from Webster Chapter who were unable to be present for the Holy Royal Arch Degree to be in Warsaw for the Degree Festival on Saturday, December 10th. This way they will be able to consummate their membership in the RAM.

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### Challenges

I hope our Spring Degree Class will be even larger than the 8 candidates in the Fall of 1994. It has possibilities, since our Grand Lodge Officers, R. W. Rich Friedman and R. W. Scott Seltzer have pledged to bring 10 candidates to RAM during their term. This is also a challenge for the rest of us. Can do? Let's do it!

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By L. Edward Walker, EHP

How time flies. By the time you read this article, Thanksgiving 1994 will be history, and I hope that you had a happy one. I also hope that we, as Royal Arch Masons, realize all we have to be thankful for.

May each of you have happy holidays, and may 1995 be a happy, prosperous, and healthy year for all.

### Sickness

Several of our Companions have been ill, and I hope by the time this article is in your hands, all will be feeling much better.

Comp. Harry Lake has been under the weather, and at last report, was feeling somewhat better. We miss you, Harry.

Comp. Larry Geith has been seriously ill. I talked with him on the phone, and am happy to report that he is improving.

RE Fred Holderle has a new knee, and is becoming more mobile every day.

On October 5th I suffered a detached retina, and had surgery the following day. My sight is improving every day.

### Important meeting

The year is fast drawing to a close, and according to our By-Laws, we will only have one meeting in November and December. Our December meeting is a very important one, as we receive reports from officers and committees on how we stand and where we are going. We elect our officers for 1995, so let's have a large turnout. The meeting will be preceded by a dinner.

### Ionic Chapter

In continuing the History of our Chapter, we find that in the time period from 1940-1960, Ionic Chapter grew in leaps and

bounds. In 1951 there were 59 Companions exalted, which is the largest number ever.

The Centennial Celebration was held in 1968 at the Masonic Temple. It began with a Rededication Service, conducted by ME George S. Mason, Grand High Priest, who was also the principal speaker. The banquet was attended by the Grand Chapter Officers, and Officers of neighboring Chapters, with Companions and their ladies in attendance. Roy E. VanDelinder, Jr., was the Master of Ceremonies. The welcome address was extended by E Gordon C. Mosher, High Priest.

As with all Masonic Bodies, membership started to decline in the 1960's. While Ionic Chapter was one of the dominant Chapters in the 27th Capitular District, in the 1990's it was decided that the prudent thing to do was to merge with Hamilton Chapter and form Hiram Chapter No. 62.

### Hamilton Chapter

Hamilton Chapter also continued to flourish during the 1940's-1960's. The Sesquicentennial Celebration was held in April 1970, with a Rededication Service at the Masonic Temple. This ceremony was conducted by ME William C. Carr, Grand High Priest, now Grand Secretary. The Banquet was held at the Rochester Club with Comp. Harold R. Miller as Toastmaster. (An interesting note-ME Hal Miller, Past Grand High Priest, was the Toastmaster for our 300th Anniversary of Royal Arch Masonry that was held June 4th, 1994.) Monroe Commandery No. 12 presented the Colors, and Rev. William T. Plews, Grand Chaplain, delivered the Invocation. E Kenneth Pierce, (High Priest in 1969), and Richard J. Oliver (High Priest in 1970), extended a welcome to all. It should be noted that Richard J. Oliver served as Grand Treasurer from 1980 to 1992, and now has the title of Grand Treasurer Emeritus, with a title of ME, and is now Secretary of Hiram Chapter, No. 62. The principal speaker of the evening was M. W. Raymond C. Ellis, Past Grand Master of Masons of New York State, and was introduced by RE Herman A. Sarachan, General Chairman.

Hamilton Chapter also suffered from the same problems that have occurred in other Bodies, declining membership. While still being the most active Chapter in the 27th Capitular District, they decided to merge with Ionic Chapter to form Hiram Chapter No. 62.

### Rochester history

During this time period several important events happened in Rochester.

1945-The Haloid Co. began development of a process of electrophotography, the duplication of documents with a dry ink, and this became the well known Xerox Company.

1949-The first television broadcast was made in the city by WHAM.

1950-The Rochester Royals won the National Basketball Championship.

1956-The Rochester Subway System made its last run.

1962-Midtown Plaza opened.

1963-A Mohawk Airlines plane crashed at the Rochester

Airport, and seven people died. Rioting erupted in Rochester.

1970-The Rochester Lancers won the North American Soccer League Championship.

1991-The infamous Ice Storm knocked out power to over 205,000 customers.

In closing, I wish you all a Happy Holiday Season.

### Annual Summons

In compliance with Section 33 of the Constitution of the Grand Chapter of the State of New York, Royal Arch Masons, you are hereby Summoned to attend the Annual Stated Convocation of Hiram Chapter No. 62, Royal Arch Masons, to be held in Cathedral Hall, Masonic Temple, 875 Main Street East, Rochester, New York on Thursday evening, December 8th, 1994 at 7:30 p.m., at which time the officers will be elected for the ensuing year, and such business transacted as may properly come before the meeting.

E. L. Edward Walker, High Priest  
ME Richard J. Oliver, Secretary

## Doric Council No. 19

Cryptic Masons

(Chartered in 1861)

William R. Zufall, III, Master

271-0795

L. Edward Walker, Recorder

647-2382



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By William R. Zufall

### Past meetings

I hope you have enjoyed the programs at our last two meetings. I did not announce them ahead of time, because I was very late in getting them arranged. I am trying to have something special to present at each assembly. I would like to thank Ill. Bob Zahn for providing the unique musical program at our November meeting.

### Petitions needed

We are actively looking for petitions for the degrees we plan to present after the first of the year. We have two already, but we would like more, of course. We would like to receive them early enough to investigate and ballot before the degree night.

The degree schedule is as follows: Jan. 18th - Royal Master, Feb. 15th - Select Master and April 1st - Super Excellent Master.

### April events

That is not an April Fool's joke-we are hoping to put on the Super Excellent Master Degree on April 1st. This Degree requires a very large cast, and we will need as many able-bodied members of Doric Council as we can get to produce it. Come to Council meetings and let's discuss what part YOU might be able to take. This will be an afternoon meeting, and will be followed by a celebrity dinner and Ladies Night as part of the Annual Monroe District Masonic Grand Ball.

This will be part of our York Rite Unity Program, so plan on attending to show your support for all the York Rite Bodies. You will be getting a mailing on this as the date approaches.

Reserve the date of April 19th for our Annual Table Council! We hope to have one of the Grand Line Officers as our major speaker.

### Charity Fund

Companion Charles Roberts has sent you an excellent letter requesting your support for the Grand Council Charity Fund. If you have not already responded generously, please do so NOW. Doric Council has the enviable record of leading the State in total contributions for a number of years, and we would certainly like to continue that fine support.

### Out and around

We are very glad to see our Treasurer, Rt. Ill. Roy Huff, out to our meetings and apparently feeling a great deal better. Our Recorder, V. Ill. Ed Walker, is also making a good recovery from his eye surgery. Now if we can only get our Marshal, Comp. Harry Lake, back on his legs again.

## 3x3 Chapter NO. 333

Royal Arch Masons  
(Chartered in 1990)



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William O. Baldwin, Jr. Secretary  
352-5664

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By EHP Jay McCullough

### Elections

Our final convocation for this calendar year will be on Wednesday, December 7th. At that time we expect to elect and install officers for the ensuing year.

The Chapter Nominating Committee has reported a full slate of nominees for elective offices.

### Holding our own

We have one new petition and a Brother who has completed two Degrees. This, together with the new Companion exalted this Spring, will maintain our roster level. It appears we will have lost the number of members gained by the end of the year, thus, leveling us out.

### December program

Time permitting (we always open formal activity at 7:30 p.m. and close by 8:30 p.m.), we will have the program on "Colour Symbolism in Masonry", which was postponed in September.

Programs are scheduled for no more than 15 minutes, enough to whet one's appetite or refresh his memory on various Masonic topics.

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Lawrence W. Dunn  
Zone Officer 594-8033

Commandery Toasts. The dates available at this writing are:

- Dec. 8th - Batavia
- Dec. 14th - Red Jacket
- Dec. 12th - Zenobia

**School of Instruction**

Cyrene/Monroe Commandery will host the Zone 11 School of Instruction on December 9th. This is our regular meeting night and all Sir Knights, especially the Officers, should make every effort to attend. It would also be a good opportunity for those rusty Knights to get back in to the routine.

**Sickness/Distress**

We were glad to see SK Al Miller at Hiram Chapter meeting, he says that his new knee is working better. We hear that SK Fred Holderle is getting around after his knee surgery, hurry back Fred. SK Harry Lake is still nursing a leg infection and is not on his feet yet. We hope to see him back soon.

The untimely death of our Grand Master, M.W.: Robert C. Singer, was also announced at the last meeting. We extend our sympathy to his immediate and Masonic family. □

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College No.25**

Rochester, New York  
(Chartered July 14, 1962)

Arnold E. Palmer  
Pre-Em. Gov. 3247-8906  
Lawrence W. Dunn  
Secretary 594-8033

By Roy Huff

Companions, by the time you read this, Thanksgiving will have come and gone and Winter will be arriving as usual. Our Pre-Em.Gov. Arnold E. Palmer hopes that all of you and your families had a great Thanksgiving, are well, and stay that way.

The weather is good for this time of the year. Let's keep our meeting in November next year. I think it would be worth it. Be careful, Winter is coming.

Comp. Fred Holderle was in the hospital for a knee replacement and is doing fine. Comp. Harry Lake has bad leg problems, but is doing better. I don't know of anyone else that is sick and I hope you all keep well. I do not have any deaths to report at this time.

On Saturday, Nov. 12th, we had our meeting at the Downtown Masonic Temple, Rochester. Three names were submitted for our Order, therefore, we will confer our Degree on these companions in February.

After the meeting, we went to Bosdyk's for dinner with the ladies. We all had a great time. Some faces were there that we hadn't seen in a long time.

Some of our members had to leave early to attend a 6:00 p.m. wedding. Something always comes up, does it not? That is all for now. □

**BROTHERHOOD**

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**MINIMUM**



**FINGER LAKES CHAPTER**

Jay McCulloough, President  
352-1061  
Bill Edwards, Secretary  
872-3993

By R.. W.. Jay McCulloough

**Check your March calendar!**

The Executive Committee of the Chapter is presently seeking a facility in which to hold our next meeting. We are aiming at March 29, 1995. We hope to combine with other Masonic groups which are scheduled to meet at that time.

Bill Lindsay, our Vice-President, is coordinating the effort with quality in mind, at a reasonable price.

We have the potential for a significant program, one that should appeal to our ladies as well as members of the Craft, or those ladies in associated or allied groups.

Our hoped for celebrity speaker is on the International Lecture Tour under the auspices of the Toronto Masonic Research Society.

**Society's Annual Assembly,  
Feast and Forum**

Block out this space on your 1995 calendar. On Friday, February 24th, Philaethes fellows, members and guests will meet at the Hotel Washington in Washington, D. C. You can join the festivities for the sum of \$28 (a little more for travel and accommodations, of course).

On Thursday the 23rd, the Rosicrucians will hold their annual program and on Saturday the 25th, the Allied Masonic Degrees constituency will meet. Makes a fine weekend for those who are involved with all three Bodies.

The October issue of The Philaethes Magazine featured the agenda, letting us know that the ladies are invited. The program begins at 6:00 p.m. sharp and Robert G. Davis, FPS, will be our lecturer for the evening. There will also be an opportunity for questions concerning Freemasonry.

Is it time to get a group together again, as has been done in the past? Let our Secretary know if you are interested in driving or flying to Washington for this program.

**Another member published!**

Our Grand Historian, and Fingerlakes Chapter member R.. W.. George Peter is featured in The Philaethes Magazine. His paper is titled "Whys and Wherefores". He cites the Morgan Affair and how the same type of fiasco occurs every day. Kudos, Brother Peter! □

**British Author  
to Speak  
to Philaethes**

On Wednesday, March 28th, the Finger Lakes Chapter of the Philaethes Society will be joined by the Purple Club of the Monroe Districts, the Masonic Service Bureau and the Bureau of Masonic Education in hosting a pro-

gram featuring the Rev. and V..W.. Neville B. Cryer. This great British Mason is touring North America under the sponsorship of the Toronto Masonic Research Society.

The event will be held at the Diplomat Party House on Lyell Avenue, following a sit-down dinner. The cost will be \$15 per person.

Brother Cryer's presentation is entitled "Women and Freemasonry". Spouses and ladies of the various women's organizations related to Masonry will be invited to attend as it should be of as great interest to them as to the Masons present.

**Career**

This distinguished Mason served in the Indian Army prior to his ordination in 1950, and travelled extensively in India and Pakistan. After ordination, he served several Dioceses, then was appointed Home Secretary of the United Missionary Societies and later General Director of the British and Foreign Missionary Societies before retiring in 1987. His retirement hobby is writing books on Freemasonry.

Brother Cryer has been a Mason since 1950 and belongs to numerous Masonic Bodies. In his Masonic career, in addition to numerous other leadership positions, he has served as Grand Chaplain of England, and Assistant Provincial Grand Master of Surrey. □

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**Books**

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President  
R..W.. Duane Manchester

Secretary  
R..W.. Robert Sanford

By R..W.. Duane Manchester  
**New Officers**

At our last meeting, a Nominating Committee was formed to present a slate of officers for 1995. They will be installed on November 25th.

**Thanks**

I want to thank all who assisted me during my reign. I am sure W.. Warren Patterson will receive the same treatment.

**Holidays**

I wish ALL a Happy Holiday Season and a prosperous New Year!

**Next meeting**

Our next meeting will be on January 27th. Cards will be sent out.

**Apologies**

My computer monitor self-destructed during my last article, so this is short and handwritten. Maybe Santa will see that I get a new one. That's all for now! □

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By Roy E. Huff

On November 7th, over 20 Sir Knights from Geneva and Penn Yan met with Sir Knights Larry Dunn and Ron Bertie. It was decided that the Commanderies of Geneva and Penn Yan will hold joint meetings. The leadership will rotate between Geneva and Penn Yan. They plan to have a joint inspection and work together on a new venture and development programs. Geneva Commandery has knighted several new members in the last 2 months. Keep it up!

The following Commanderies will host Christmas Toasts:

- Batavia No. 34 - Dec. 2nd
- Red Jacket No. 81 - Dec. 14th
- Cyrene-Monroe No. 12 - Dec. 16
- Zenobia No. 41 - Dec. 21st

The Grand Commandery wishes all of you a joyous Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Keep well and watch out for snow and ice this Winter. □

**Cyrene-Monroe  
Commandery  
No. 12**

Chartered  
in 1993  
1st & 3rd  
Fridays

SK Charles M. Roberts,  
Commander 225-6533

SK Robert H. Cook  
Recorder 473-0393

By SK Don Brugger

**Pot Luck Supper**

Many thanks to the Schicker Club for the delicious Pot Luck Supper served by its members prior to our November 4th meeting.

**Pilgrimage**

On November 5th Cyrene/Monroe Commandery hosted the Zone 11 Pilgrimage. Fourteen Companions received the Orders of the Red Cross and Malta in the morning. The Order of the Temple was conferred after lunch which was served by the ladies of the Schicker Club.

We welcome all new Sir Knights, who hailed from Zones 6, 11 and 12, especially our own SK Douglas Poole, Cyrene/Monroe.

The Orders were very impressive and well executed. We thank all those who participated and particularly, Sir Knights Ronald Edwards, Charles Roberts and David Taber, the Directors of the Orders.

**Christmas Toasts**

Cyrene/Monroe's Christmas Toast will take place on December 16th, 7:30 p.m. in Cathedral Hall, Downtown Temple. The Toast will be followed by a reception in the Third Floor Dining Room. All Sir Knights are invited to attend the other Zone 11

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Lalla Rookh

## GROTTO News

Michael Bell, Monarch

Patrol  
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Caldron

## Monarch's Message

Season's greetings to all Prophets, their ladies, and families. I hope this Yuletide brings you an abundance of health and happiness.

## Reflections

These past two years my time as Monarch was filled with activities, ritual, duties, and a lot of fun. When I relinquish my office, I will take with me a fund of great memories...trips to Corning, Warren and Toronto; Euchre Tournaments and games; the National Convention in Rochester; and most especially, the friendship of some truly great guys. I thank you all for serving, helping out, talking with, listening to, or just being there.

Be careful during this Wintertime, both driving and afoot. Stay healthy if you can, and I'll see you the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

## Chief Justice

By Joseph Minas

When you receive this message, Autumn will have passed, and Winter will be on its way. I hope everybody had an enjoyable Thanksgiving feast. I wish for all of the hunters to get their deer, instead of bragging about the ones that got away. Happy Holidays to all.

## Bring a Master Mason

As you all know, we still need more Prophets. As I stated before, take a Master Mason by the hand, and bring him with you to the next meeting to become a Prophet. The Monarch cannot do it alone, he needs your support.

## Reservations required

My Installation will be held at Damascus Temple, 979 Bay Road, Webster, NY, on January 21st, 1995. There will be a dinner at 6:00 p.m., and the Open Installation will be at 8:00 p.m. Reservations are required for the dinner; the cost is \$10.00 per person. For reservations, call Earl DeSmith at 473-4146 or me at 671-1917.

## Membership News

By Ron Morthorst

## Join any time

A question was asked, "Do I have to wait until the Spring Ceremonial to join the Grotto?"

No, you may join any time of the year as long as you send in your petition to the Membership Chairman or to your sponsor by the first of the month for processing.

Membership is only a phone call away. The Hotline number is 334-4196 and no questions are considered unimportant-please call.

## Future dates

December 21st is Election Night. There will be a Christmas Turkey Dinner at 6:30 p.m., attitude adjustment hour is at 5:30 p.m. The Dinner is free to all Prophets with a paid 1995 Dues Card.

## Join us

Lalla Rookh Grotto is open to all Masons who enjoy fun, food, and entertainment. Our dues are very affordable and many things happen at each meeting so that everyone may be involved.

Call Ron Morthorst at 334-4196 to receive information about the Grotto.

You'll be amazed at how many of your friends, who are already members of Lalla Rookh Grotto, will be at the meetings. Come and see for yourself. Join the Grotto today!

Happy Holidays to all Prophets and their families.



## Legion of Honor

By Jan Lughart, Commander

On December 12th there will be a Christmas Dinner at Denny's at 6:30 p.m., and the meeting will be at 7:30 p.m.

## Dues are due

For those of you who have not responded, please do so as soon as possible.

## Plan on attending

On January 6th the Installation Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. at the 40 & 8. This will be followed by Carl DeSmith's Installation at 7:30 p.m.

## Patrol News

It's that time of year again and already some of the Snowbirds have flown the coop. PM Ron and Shirley Bishop are in Florida, along with Prophet Gerry and Joan Brugger. Shortly after this is published, I'm sure that PM Dick and Grace Jackson, and PM Bob and Ruth Young will be in the sunny South, where the sun shines all the time, except every day at 5:00 p.m., when it rains!

## Drill time

With President Frank and Norraine Voegtle in California for the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, "there ain't many left" for our Tuesday night Drill. The ones still in town will meet for the usual refreshments and fellowship.

## Save the date

The Patrol will be having a "Sweethearts Night" on Saturday, February 11, 1995. Save the date NOW. More information in the January '95 column.

## Welcome

A big welcome from the Patrol to all of the new Prophets who joined Lalla Rookh Grotto in October. I am sure that if you participate, you will enjoy the Grotto immensely. Also, don't forget that the Grotto's December meeting has a FREE Christmas Dinner before the meeting on December 21st, BUT, reser-

vations are required. Call Prophet Earl DeSmith at 473-4146 before you forget. See you at Drill.

## Cast News

By George Knierim

The Short Form Ceremonial went over very well. Thanks to everyone who participated for their help. It was great to see the new Prophet's faces as they watched the Ceremonial unfold.

For the new Prophets, remember, you must see the Spring Ceremonial to more fully understand some of the particulars.

News on the Annual Cast Dinner in January will be in next month's column.

## Caldron News

By Arlene Topel, MCO

The Holidays are fast approaching, and the stores are beginning to look like Christmas. It is hard to believe that 1994 is about to end.

## December meetings

Our Installation is over and we have already started our new year.

It looks like a lot of parties are scheduled for the December meetings.

On December 1st, Patrol will have their Christmas Party at Bosdyk's Restaurant, dinner at 6:30 p.m.

There will be a regular meeting on December 8th, with a Christmas Party after the meeting.

The Executive Council will meet at Arlene Topel's home on December 15th at 8:00 p.m.

I wish everyone a happy holiday season.

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can live after you  
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[This is a continuing series of discussions of possible solutions to the problems encountered by financial planners. Should the reader have any questions or desire further information on this or any financial topic, don't hesitate to call this writer].

Now that the tax season is approaching, articles are beginning to appear in papers and magazines showing ideas on how to avoid higher taxes by manipulating one's investments in such a way so as to reduce one's tax bite with Uncle Sam. Not to be outdone, this column will be an attempt to show the reader a few of the many ideas that are floating around.

1. Convert ordinary income into long term capital gains.

A. If one is in a tax rate over 28%, and has a mutual fund, sell it the day before the dividend is paid and buy it back the next day

at the lower price. This will put some money into a possible capital gain situation, which is taxed at 28%, thus reducing the taxes. If the gain is too high, however, one could be faced with a higher tax than before.

B. Put greater amounts of investment dollars into growth situations, rather than income situations. This will insure that if the gain is not astounding, that the tax will be lower.

C. Do tax swapping. Sell one asset with an unrealized loss and purchase a similar, but not identical, one. This will generate a loss for tax purposes. There is no limit on the amount that can be offset, but the IRS says that one can only take \$3,000 in excess of gains per year.

2. Reduce or defer taxable income to future years.

A. Sell the highest cost basis shares on one's holdings first.

B. With a load mutual fund, buy shares in one fund, not necessarily the one that one really desires, and then transfer it to the desired fund. Remember that the sale must not be to an identical situation.

C. Make retirement plan contributions as early as possible. The potential gains will be tax deferred for the future.

Finally, as a result of the election, the new party is very interested in reducing the capital gains tax. It might be well worth waiting to see if, or when, this will happen.

## Your Legal Rights FYI

By Bro. Phillip Hurwitz

In last month's article I discussed the New York Lemon Law as it applies to used cars. In this column I now address this law as it applies to new cars.

The new car Lemon Law warranty is mandatory and applies to both the purchase or lease of new cars and motor homes for the first 18,000 miles or 2 years, whichever comes first. Manufacturers who are unable to repair a defect after four attempts or have possession of the car for warranty repairs for a period exceeding 30 days and which substantially impairs the value of the car, must refund the purchase price or replace the car.

If within this warranty period, the buyer discovers a defect or other problem with the car and reports it to the seller, (usually the auto dealer where purchased) then the dealer must notify the manufacturer in writing within seven days and at no charge to the buyer, repair the defect or problem.

Should the seller refuse to repair the car within seven days of his being notified by the buyer, then the buyer, to preserve his rights under the law, should notify the vehicle's manufacturer in writing of the seller's refusal to repair. The manufacturer has twenty (20) days upon receipt of

the seller's notification to repair the car.

If within this twenty day period the manufacturer fails to begin repairs, then the buyer, at his option, is entitled to a replacement vehicle or refund of the purchase price or lease price. The buyer is also entitled to any trade-in allowances, plus all fee and charges imposed when the car was initially purchased or leased, less an allowance if the car had over 12,000 miles on it, and any extraordinary damage.

The seller or manufacturer may refuse to replace the car or refund its purchase or lease price if the defect does not substantially impair the value of the car. For example, a defective radio is not a substantial impairment, but a defective transmission would be. If one has been established, the manufacturer may require that the buyer submit his dispute to informal settlement to determine if the buyer is entitled to a replacement car or refund. Alternatively, and at his own expense, the buyer can submit the dispute to an arbitrator, to determine if he is entitled to a replacement car or refund.

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Angelo DiCataldo, SDGTC  
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 Donald C. Bell, Scribe

By Robert Nichols

**Election**

November 16th was the occasion of our Annual Meeting and Election of Officers. The New Officers for 1995 are:

- GTC - Frank Briffa
- SDGTC - Angelo DiCataldo
- Treas. - Paul Kober
- Scribe - Donald Bell

The Installation of Officers will take place at our December 22nd Meeting; dinner preceding, as usual.

**Christmas reminder**

Our Annual Christmas Party will be at Bozdyk's Restaurant, on the corner of Long Pond and Lyell Rds. Attitude adjustment, 6:30 p.m., Dinner at 7:30 p.m. The choice of entrees will be, Prime Rib, Baked Fish or Baked Chicken. The cost will be \$16 per person. Bring a \$5 exchange gift for same sex; each person.

I'll take this opportunity to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, if I don't see you at our December events. □

**Remember!**



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**Events**

Fidelity Triangle will be having a Christmas Party on December 18th. Over the Christmas Vacation, we will be having a Winter Fun Day at my house.

On December 10th, our flowers will be delivered to Fame Lodge. They may be picked up after 6:00 p.m. or on December 11th between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and Noon. Breakfast can be purchased during these hours.

January is the month that we will be having our Bring-a-Friend Night. Plan now to bring your families and friends to come out and see us.

**The Organization**

Triangle is an organization for

young ladies between the ages of 11 and 21. This group will help build the leadership skills needed for the future. Triangle girls have fun, help others, and help themselves all at the same time. If anyone has any questions, call me at 494-1559 or Mrs. Lynch at 334-07953. □

**Order of DeMolay Rochester Chapter**



**Michael Conole**  
 Master Councilor  
**Charlotte Temple**  
 1st & 3rd Fridays

By Michael Israel, PMC

On November 4th we parked cars for the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra Concert, and two of the boys stayed to hear the concert. We had an open meeting after parking cars and celebrated Belinda's Birthday; this year there was no bagpipe music.

On Halloween we held our Annual Halloween Dance and had a good turnout. The day after

the dance we helped serve at the Interfaith Breakfast. Hopefully, next year more people will come to our Halloween Dance. More on that next October.

**Term plan**

- Dec. 2 - Mtng. "Degree practice"
- Dec. 3 - Degrees
- Dec. 8 - Hockey TBA
- Dec. 9 & 10 - Parking cars, RPO
- Jan. 6 - Mtng. "Martin Luther King", visitors welcome.
- Jan. 8 - Sledding and snow sculpture.
- Jan. 13-14 - Dad Staub's Cottage for skiing.
- Jan. 20 - Mtng., "Army Stuff", visitors welcome.
- Jan. 29 - Super Bowl Party, TBA "Sorry, Bills, next year Jimmy Boy!" □

**We Need Projects**

The members of the Rochester Chapter, Order of DeMolay, are looking for various community and/or charitable projects to help them earn points to qualify for Civic Merit Bars.

We will help any Masonic or Eastern Star group, at anytime! Call the Master Councilor.

**Hi-Lights**  
**Order of the Eastern Star**  
 District of Monroe, State of New York

Rt. Wthy. Barbara Mertens  
 District Deputy Grand Matron

Rt. Wthy. Ronald D. Mertens  
 District Grand Lecturer

**Corinthian/Fellowship**  
 Chapter No. 322  
 Order of the Eastern Star  
 2nd & 4th Wednesdays  
 7:30 p.m.

Wthy. Marilyn Israel, Matron  
 461-3254  
 Rt. Wthy. Lynne Springer, Sec.  
 247-4369

805 Blossom Rd., Rochester  
 14610

By Wthy. Marilyn Israel

**Homecoming**

On October 26th, my Homecoming as Worthy Matron, was highlighted by the Initiation of Robert E. Crystal into our Fellowship. Welcome Bob and thank you Corinthian-Fellowship Chapter for all the support you have given me this past year.

**Expectations**

As I write this newsletter, my head is dizzy with the expectations of a new year as your Worthy Matron in 1995. Somehow, I do not wish to let go of '94. It has been a good year and I have met many new people through my affiliation with the OES and my writing. I have learned a lot about our Order, as Matron. I pray again, "I will be true for there are those who trust me".

**Community service**

My work in the Hoeltzer Street Community with the Scouts has brought me back to the 50's in Brooklyn where the extended family existed and vacant lots offered short cuts to one's destination. However, with drugs, crime, unemployment and violence having escalated nationwide and world-wide if one reads between the lines, I look to tomorrow with the firm FAITH that God is watching us; and see the laughter and bright eyes of these young people.

**A loss**

We lost our Community House in September, but have managed to meet at the Central Day Care Center at 12 Hoeltzer, which I believe, was once the meeting place of Prince Hall Lodge.

**Together**

In the June Issue of the *Masonic Times*, Grand Master, M. W. Gary A. Henningsen answered questions on the "Hot Seat" from the Brethren in Cathedral Hall - "It will be good for both of our Fraternities when the Grand Lodge and Prince Hall Masons march side by side in the parade..."

**Grand Session**

At the 125th Grand Session, OES, we were greeted by M. W. Henningsen who said we were to be positive with motivation. Respect and love our families...or our Fraternal Organizations will never grow. What kind of future are we leaving for these children? Unethical, moral, silent majority...leave a legacy in 1994. Leave the children something special. A message: Trust, caring, unity, see the future, motivated - it positively will have to work.

**Children**

Outgoing M. Wthy. Albert E. Parshall, Grand Patron, and incoming Grand Matron, M. Wthy. Lois M. Carlsen, both described their intended projects of working with the children of the world. Let's not overlook our children at home. M. Wthy. Lois noted that M. W. Henningsen referred to the children of the Bronx. I hold most dear, the children of Rochester, Brooklyn and Meriden, CT.

**Last meeting**

Our last meeting will be held on Dec. 14th, preceded by a Christmas Tureen Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Annual Reports, Election of Officers and Swap Bingo are on the agenda. Ladies wear street dresses and the men, suits.

An Open Installation is the order of the day on Jan. 11th. Happy Holidays! □

**Webster**  
 Chapter No. 171  
 Order of the Eastern Star

Donna M. Hiler, Worthy Matron  
 315-524-3439

1st & 3rd Tuesdays  
 8:00 p.m.  
 30 Orchard Street  
 Webster, New York

By Wthy. Donna Hiler

December is upon us and another year is coming to a close. It has been a very busy year with M. Wthy. Wanda V. Williams as Grand Matron and Rt. Wthy. Faythe Rowell, District Deputy Grand Matron. I have done a lot of traveling with both of them and it was very enjoyable meeting different people around the District and the State.

**December events**

Thursday, December 1st, we will be serving a dinner for Webster Lodge. The Annual Meeting and Christmas Party will take place on Tuesday, December 6th. There will be a Tureen Dinner at 6:30 p.m. with the reading of annual reports and the Election of Officers starting at 8:00 p.m. If anyone would like to join us for dinner, just bring a dish to pass, your own table setting and a good appetite. We always have quite a selection to choose from. On Saturday, December 17th, we will serve the Grange their annual Christmas Party Dinner.

**Looking to the New Year**

Everyone's help is needed if we are to "fly in 95". If you can do refreshments and/or plan entertainment for a meeting, it would be greatly appreciated.

Our Installation of Officers will be on Tuesday, January 3, 1995, at 8:00 p.m. It will be open to anyone interested in attending. All are cordially invited.

I would like to wish everyone a safe and enjoyable Holiday Season. □

**NOLA Chapter**  
 No. 368  
 Order of the Eastern Star  
 Rt. Wthy. Susan Huff, Matron

Rt. Wthy. Carol Wynings, Secretary  
 594-4692

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

20 South Main Street  
 Churchville, N. Y. 14428

By Wthy. Avis Theis

**Thank you**

The Chapter thanks Rt. Wthy. Susan Huff and Rt. Wthy. George Simon, Officers and Committees, for another nice year at Nola. Each year these willing members keep our Chapter afloat.

Wthy. Matron Susan and Wthy. Patron George also wish to thank all members for their support. They enjoyed a year of loyalty and friendship.

**Illness**

We hope Wthy. Bernie Riley is on the mend after a fall. Get well wishes go out to Matthew Prevost.

**Join us**

Our banquet for the Wthy. Matron and Wthy. Patron will be December 13th at Stone's in

Churchville. Make your reservations with Sis. Vickie Gross at 293-3237.

**Last meeting of 1994**

The only meeting in December is our Annual Meeting on the 6th. The Committee is Sis's. Florence Smith, Liz Morris and Doris Daycock.

**Dues**

It's that time again to pay your dues. We thank all those members who have sent extra gifts in the past. It helps us with our projects and the *Masonic Times*. If you can keep current with your dues, it helps the Chapter keep current with its expenses.

May the meaning of the

Season be deeper,

May your friendship be

stronger,

May your hopes be brighter,

As Christmas comes this year.

Happy Holidays to you and yours. □

**In Memoriam**

**October**

**Stalker, Robert J.**

At the age of 88, Robert passed away in Florida on October 17th. He was a member of Etolian Lodge No. 479. He is survived by his wife, Mary, son, 5 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

**November**

**Kramer, Edward W.**

Edward passed away on November 7th, at the age of 83 years. He was a member of Charlotte-Corinthian Lodge No. 1088 and is survived by his wife, Jane, children, and 6 grandchildren.

**Laundry, W. Clifford**

Charlotte-Corinthian Lodge No. 1088 lost another member with the death of Cliff on November 15th. He was a member of Rochester Consistory and Damascus Temple Shrine Greeters. For many years he was the correspondent to the *Masonic Times* from the Shrine Lunch Club. He is survived by his wife, M. Evelyn, children, 6 grandchildren, and other family members.

The following were members of Rochester Consistory and were reported to us with no specific information.

**Chapman, Franklin H.**

Franklin died December 20, 1992.

**Winfrey, Alfred G.**

Death claimed Alfred April 7, 1994.

**Doughty, Max**

Max lived in California and died May 13, 1994.

**Bouford, Robert P.**

A member of Seneca Lodge No. 797 and Rochester Consistory, Robert died July 1, 1994.

**Richmond, Kenneth G.**

Kenneth lived in Dansville, and died July 20, 1994.

**Schlegel, Earl G.**

A member of Webster Lodge No. 538 and Rochester Consistory, Earl passed away on August 25, 1994.

**Gape, Raymond D.**

Raymond resided in Geneva, NY, and died September 2, 1994.

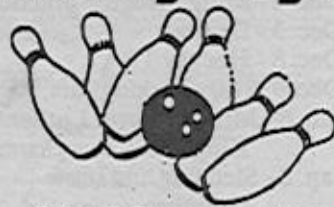


# Masonic Activities Looking Ahead

To make additions, call the Service Bureau at 473-4351 or Fax 262-5491.

1995	
Jan. 14	Leadership Development Course (session - 1) Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge
Jan. 28	Leadership Development Course (session - 2) Henrietta Lodge
Jan. 28	Masters and Wardens, Valley/Simes Lodge
Feb. 5-12	Have-a-Heart, Buy-a-Heart Campaign
Feb. 11	Order of the High Priesthood, Downtown Temple
Feb. 24	Philalethes Society Annual Feast and Forum, Washington, DC
Feb. 25	Widows Luncheon, Logan's Party House Earle J. Hino, DG M, Speaker
Feb. 25	Masters and Wardens, Seneca Lodge
Mar. 2-4	Grand Chapter, Albany
Mar. 15-19	Shrine Circus
Mar. 25	Masters and Wardens, Monroe Lodge
Mar. 29	School of Ritual
Apr. 1	Grand Ball - Gateway Inn
Apr. 6	Feast of the Paschal Lamb
Apr. 20-22	Scottish Rite Spring Reunion
Apr. 22	Masters and Wardens, Clio Lodge
May 1-5	Grand Lodge, New York City
May 6	Scottish Rite Banquet
May 10	Grand Matron's Visit (Monroe)
May 19	Joint Investiture, DGM R.-W.: Earle J. Hino, Jr.
May 31	School of Ritual
Jun. 17-18	St. John's Weekend, Utica
Oct. 14	Reception for SK Ronald J. Bertie Rochester Marriott Thruway
1996	
Mar. 23	M.-W.: Gary A. Henningsen's Testimonial Dinner Lockport, NY
Sept. 19-22	Grand Commandery, Rochester, New York Rochester Marriott Thruway

# Masonic Gothic Bowling League



John J. Flynn, Secretary  
227-6106

In the past month, 6-600 series and 31-200 games have been rolled by league members. In addition, several league bowlers have qualified for ABC awards.

Notable series were rolled by Richard A. Ehrne-671 (213, 201,257), Richard Flanagan-638 (228,221), and 627 (217,224), Mike Franklin-612 (233), Jack Thibaut-604 (255), and Dick Topel-602 (222).

Individual games of note include Dick Snyder-236, Mike Franklin-222, Jon Schmidt-222, Rich Miller-222, John Kunz-220, Dick Rohring-219, Warham Quinlan-218, Rex Edwards, Jr.-213, and Sam Deleo-203.

ABC Senior Award Patches were earned by Dick Snyder (236) and Jack Thibaut (255) for games that were 75+ pins over their averages. Ted Teague also earned a Triplicate Patch for his 93 series.

As always, we are looking for substitute bowlers. The league bowls at Maiden Lanes on Wednesdays at 8:30 p.m. Both Masons and non-Masons are welcome. Stop down some Wednesday and join the fun.

### Brethren:

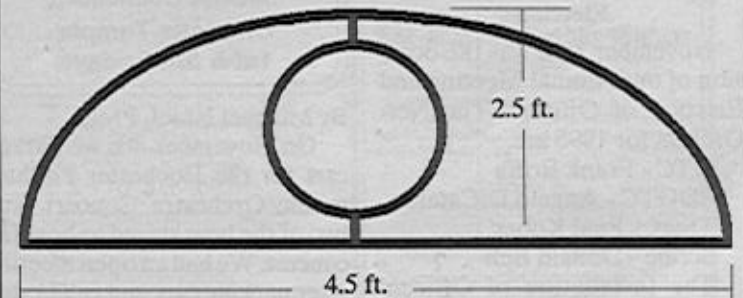
It is never too late to plan ahead. In four years we will celebrate a half century of continuous Masonic fellowship. Support your activities and participate.



46th Annual New York State  
Masonic Bowling Tournament  
April 22-23, 29-30, May 6-7, 1995  
Ridgeview Bowl (formerly Watertown Bowl)  
Watertown, New York

Chairman: Merle Boulton, 401 Ambrose St., P.O. Box 144  
Sackets Harbor, NY 13685 (315) 646-3828

## Stained Glass Window for Sale



Half-Moon stained glass window, approximately 4.5 ft. long x 2.5 ft. high. The center circle contains a hand painted scene of the Sun rising in the East, fired to the glass. This window is circa 1800s. We are not sure of its value but we will accept any reasonable offer. The building was either a Church of Christian Science or a Unitarian Universalist Church prior to becoming a Masonic Temple in 1973. For information contact Governor Lodge No. 217, Free and Accepted Masons, David R. Flight 315-347-3050.



**Auditorium  
CENTER**

875 E. Main St. Rochester, NY  
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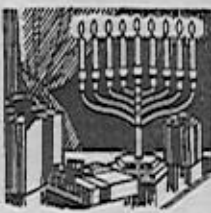





Sat. Dec. 3  
R. G. & E., a.m.

Mon. Dec. 5  
Encore,  
Chamber Theatre, a.m.

Sat. Dec. 10  
RTOS

Fri. - Sun. Dec. 16-18  
Secret Garden  
Fri. & Sta. 7:00 p.m.  
Sun. 2:00 p.m.

## Calendar December 1994

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<i>Happy Holidays from the Masonic Times</i> Don Brugger Frank Bassett Jean Brugger Mat Gingold Barbara Goodrich Bob Ogden Bob Pettit			1 Constellation - Perry Hesperus - Bergen - Dinner Northfield - Pittsford Webster - OV  Scottish Rite - Program Organ and Folk Music  O.E.S. - Oatka, Lea Ct.	2 DeMolay, Rochester Chapter  Webster - Spaghetti Dinner	3  DeMolay - Degrees 2 p.m.  O.E.S. - Rochester Chapter
4 Charlotte/Corinthian Children's Christmas Party  Flower City - Latke Party	5 John A. Robertson - Dinner West Star - Varysburg Fairport - BAF  O.E.S. - Irondequoit, Germania, Centennial (GW)	6 Charlotte/Corinthian - OV Clio - Hilton - 1* Craftsman - Dinner Germania - Dinner Northfield Oakland Towpath - E. Rochester - Dinner Warsaw - 2* O.E.S. - Monroe, Nola, Webster, Thorpe (GW)	7 Attica Olive Branch - LeRoy  RAM - 3X3  Shrine	8 Flower City - Dinner Webster  RAM - Hiram - Dinner DeMolay - Hockey Night  Caldron Batavia Commandery - Christmas Program	9  Cyrene/Monroe Commandery	10 Daughters of the Nile  Fidelity Triangle
11 Pick up flowers at Fame Lodge 9:00 a.m. to Noon  Craftsman's Children's Christmas Party 1:30 p.m.	12 ERAC - E. Rochester - Dinner Etolian - Spencerport - OV Fairport - Program with Ladies Wakan/Hubbard Union Star - Honeoye Falls  Nun-Da-Wa-Ga Council  O.E.S. - Charlotte, Mary Jane Holmes	13 Arcade Batavia Craftsman Fame Henrietta Hesperus - Bergen Monroe - Brockport Seneca - Webster Towpath - E. Rochester Valley/Simes  RAM - Dansville, Wyoming	14 Churchville Clio Oatka - Scotts. - 2* - Dinner Triluminar - Pike - 2*  RAM - Webster  Service Bureau Luncheon  O.E.S. - Culver, Henrietta, Corinthian/Fellowship Batavia (GW)	15 Constellation - Perry Hesperus - Bergen - 3* - Dinner Northfield - Pittsford Webster - 2*  RAM - Western Star  OES - Oatka, Lea Ct., Arcade (GW)	16  Cyrene-Monroe Commandery Christmas Toast	17  Masters and Wardens
18 Seneca Tea  Wakan/Hubbard Children's Christmas Party 2:00 p.m.	19 John A. Robertson West Star - Varysburg Etolian - Christmas Party  O.E.S. - Inondequoit, LeRoy, Germania	20 Charlotte/Corinthian - 3* Clio - Hilton Craftsman - 3* - Dinner Oakland - Castile Towpath - E. Rochester Warsaw Henrietta - 2*  RAM - Batavia  OES - Monroe, Nola, Webster	21 Attica Olive Branch - LeRoy  Grotto - Dinner  RSM - Doric Council  RAM - 3X3	22  Tail Cedars of Lebanon	23	24 
25 	26 ERAC - E. Rochester Etolian - Spencerport Wakan/Hubbard Union Star - Honeoye Falls  O.E.S. - Charlotte, Mary Jane Holmes	27 Batavia Fame Monroe - Brockport	28 Churchville Clio - Hilton Oatka - Scottsville  RAM - Webster  OES - Culver, Henrietta Corinthian/Fellowship Batavia (GW)	29  DeMolay Rehearsal	30 	31  Peace on Earth