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Have a Heart Buy a Heart Feb. 7th - 13th

By Richard C. Friedman

"Charity extends beyond the grave through the boundless realms of eternity."

It is time again for the Masonic Family of the Greater Rochester Area to practice our way of life and renew our commitment to assist families of critically ill children.

Dates

The 1994 "Have a Heart, Buy a Heart" Campaign will run from Monday, February 7 through Sunday, February 13, 1994, at Marketplace and Irondequoit Malls.

Participants

Rochester Area Masonic Lodges, Eastern Star Chapters, and all of the Concordant Bodies which make up the family of Masonry will once again be called upon to raise funds which will assist in operating the Ronald McDonald House in Rochester.

Ronald McDonald House

As you are all aware, the Ronald McDonald House is the "Home Away From Home" for families of chronically ill children receiving treatment at Strong Memorial Hospital.

Time slots

The Mall shifts will run from 2 p.m. until 8 p.m. during the week, 10 a.m. until 9 p.m. on Saturday, February 12th and 12:00 p.m. until 5 p.m. on Sunday, February 13th.

The leadership of all the Masonic Bodies in our area will be contacted to lend their assistance to this project.

WE NEED EVERY BROTHER, SISTER, COMPANION, SCOTTISH RITE BROTHER, AND NOBLE TO LEND THEIR TIME AND ENERGY TO THE "HAVE A HEART" CAMPAIGN.

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To summarize:

What: The Annual "Have a Heart, Buy a Heart" Campaign.

When: Monday, February 7, 1994-Sunday, February 13, 1994.

Where: Marketplace and Irondequoit Malls

How: In shifts from 2 p.m. until 8 p.m. from Monday to Friday, 10 a.m. until 9 p.m. on Saturday and 12 noon until 5 p.m. on Sunday

Why? Recently, I brought to my Lodge's attention the plight of a friend of mine whose infant has an extremely rare heart disease which is being treated at the Cleveland Clinic. This family is using the Ronald McDonald House in Cleveland. In a thank you letter to our Lodge, he writes the following: "As we try to anticipate our food and lodging expenses for the next surgery, your gift also reminded me of all the work your Brothers did for the Ronald McDonald House in Rochester. Many, many families have benefited from your efforts. Parents who care for chronically ill children belong to a "strange club". The stresses and strains are enormous and our faith is frequently challenged. Folks like you are a testament to hope and the human spirit. You refresh our souls. Thank you to those who have never met us and yet are so generous."

Can you read those words, be connected to Masonry in any form and NOT be moved to give this effort a few hours of your time?

TO SIGN UP FOR YOUR ORGANIZATION TAKING SHIFTS, PLEASE CONTACT THE REGISTRATION COORDINATORS LISTED BELOW:

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Thank you for your help, aid and assistance. Please call TODAY!

Masonic License Plates Now Available



Masonic license plates are now available through Grand Lodge. See your Lodge Secretary for information and the necessary forms.



Widow's Luncheon to be Held February 26th

The Annual Widow's Luncheon will be held at Logan's on Saturday, February 26th. Tickets are now available from your Lodge Master. Details inside.

Grand Masters Meet at Prince Hall Fellowship Dinner



(standing) R.W.: James Holmes, Deputy Grand Master, Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Prince Hall, and R.W.: Earle J. Hino, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Lodge of the State of New York. (seated) M.W.: Solomon Wallace, Grand Master, Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Prince Hall and M.W.: Gary A. Henningsen, Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York.



(standing) R.W.: Louis DiJames, GSB, III, Delmar Morris, Potentate, Hadji Temple #61 and PM Eureka Lodge, W.: Bruce Chilton, Membership Development Chairman, 1st & 2nd Mo. and R.W.: Paul Moore, DDGM 1st Monroe. (seated) W.: Carl D. Dayes, PM Eureka Lodge, Bro. Hugh Dougall, JD Eureka Lodge and W.: Jimmy Haynes, Master Eureka Lodge.

By R.W.: Maurice Solomon
The Fifth Annual Fellowship Dinner of the Erie County Masonic Fellowship Association took place in Buffalo on Tuesday, November 30, 1993, in the presence of the M.W.: Gary A. Henningsen, Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York; M.W.: Solomon Wallace,

Grand Master of Prince Hall Masons; R.W.: John Malfatti, Grand Marshal of the Grand Lodge of NY, and approximately 200 Masons and their ladies from Western New York.

There was a large contingent from the Monroe Districts, consisting of R.W.: Paul Moore, DDGM 1st Monroe; R.W.: Jo-

seph Privitera, DDGM 2nd Monroe; R.W.: Louis DiJames, Grand Sword Bearer; R.W.: Robert Sanford, Grand Steward; R.W.: F. J. McCullough; R.W.: William Zufall; W.: Richard Friedman, AGL 1st Monroe; W.: Terry Wihlen, AGL 2nd Monroe; W.: Bruce Chilton; W.: Robert Zahn; W.: Scott Seltzer, and Bro. Andre Evans (Towpath Lodge).

Because of something that happened at the last minute, R.W.: Ronald Mertens, PJGW, who had organized the group, and W.: William Lindsay, were unable to make the trip.

Positive approach

As the guest speaker of the evening, the Grand Master delivered a powerful message, frequently interrupted by prolonged applause. The main thrust of his speech was for our Grand Lodge to throw off the shackles and attitude of the last two or three decades; we must be more forthcoming and positive in our approach to the Fraternity and the Community; we should not be afraid to take risks. He quoted, as

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Editor's Corner

Authors, Again!

It may seem that I waste a lot of space talking about the form that copy received for publication should be in, but unfortunately, it is necessary.

Copy should be typed, double spaced, and on 8.5 X 11 paper. This makes it a lot easier to edit the copy; believe me, this is necessary. I would also strongly urge that authors read their copy more than once before submitting it. I believe this will make their message more understandable. This Editor is not going to call every author to verify meaning. I will just call it as I see it. If the text is not decipherable, we will take our best guess.

Photos

The photos in this issue were all done on the *Times* new equipment. If some of them are not up to our regular standards, you will have to make allowances during this training period. Because the generation of these pictures does take time away from my normal editorial duties, we ask that all pictures be submitted one week prior to the deadline. This will allow me to get them out of the way before we are inundated with copy on the deadline date. Speaking of that, copy for the next issue of the *Times* can be submitted at any time after the previous issue has been mailed. That is from around the 25th of the current month to the 12th of the following month; a little known fact I suppose. I have been lenient with late submitters up to this time; that policy may have to change!

Another change

We will no longer carry the partial logos of organizations not submitting copy. These will be listed separately in a section headed "No Copy Received or Copy Late". If you cannot find your organization's article in the issue, look for their name in this section. This naturally leads to another subject; Communications. If the phrase, "Publish or perish", is important to the academician, it is also important to the Master of his Lodge. There is no better means of communicating with your Brethren than the opportunity presented by this publication.

We know that it is read, by the number of complaints received. It is current, its policies are consistent with Grand Lodge policies and it is published by a staff who try to make it the best publication of its kind in the State. Each subscribing body is entitled to space; why not use it. I believe

it would be safe to say that membership retention is directly related to communication. Then why would anyone ignore this opportunity to communicate? □

Masonic Service Bureau of Monroe County

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R.:W.: William A. Baldwin

Vice-President
W.: Gary L. Burke

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R.:W.: Ronald D. Mertens

By W.: Harold Bollotin
Community Service Friends of Strong

This event was held to benefit the Volunteer Department for the entire Hospital, and for various projects that contribute to direct patient care. The fundraiser consisted of the sale of paper dove decorations. It was held in Irondequoit Mall on Sunday afternoon, from Noon to 5:00 p.m., on December 5th. The booth was manned entirely by Masons and Masonic related organizations. The Brothers wore their Masonic caps and lapel badges to identify themselves and to publicize that the event was a Masonic Community Service Activity.

The volunteers who generously offered their services and

organizations were: R.:W.: Tom Paglia, Charlotte-Corinthian Lodge and the Masonic Service Bureau; W.: Harold Bollotin, W.: Gary Burke, and R.:W.: David Clarke, Valley-Simes Lodge and the Masonic Service Bureau; W.: Courtland Young, Valley-Simes Lodge; Josh Burke, Gary's son; and R.:W.: Paul Robertson, John A. Robertson Lodge.

Ladies who attended were: Sylvia Bollotin, Daughters of the Nile; Cora Paglia, Daughters of the Nile and OES, and her grandson, Jason Christman; Doris Robertson, OES; Ramona Dimino, OES and Masonic Service Bureau; and Mary Wright, Daughters of the Nile and the Masonic Service Bureau.

Thanks

On behalf of the President of the Masonic Service Bureau and myself, I sincerely thank all the volunteers for taking part and making the success of this event possible. □



R.:W.: David C. Clarke, President Masonic Service Bureau, and W.: Harold Bollotin, Chairman Community Service Comm.



(Left to right) Mary Wright, Doris Robertson, Ramona Dimino and Cora Paglia



(back row) W.: Gary Burke, W.: Harold Bollotin, W.: Courtland Young, R.:W.: Paul Robertson and R.:W.: Tom Paglia (front row) Jason Christman and Josh Burke.

Masonic Grand Lodge

of the State of New York
Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Committee
Chairman
R.:W.: Lawrence Canfield

This month we will look at the symptoms and treatment options related to substance abuse for adults. Substance abuse, especially the use of alcohol, is a disease. This disease can be treated and individuals who seek treatment can recover at about a 90% success rate. These individuals can learn to build healthy relationships and return to productive, meaningful lives.

Signs of abuse

There are several myths associated with substance abuse. The most common, "An alcoholic is under the influence all the time", nothing could be further from the truth. The disease of alcoholism progresses in definite stages. The early symptoms are: drinking excessively at parties or drinking on a regular basis. The next stage is called "Blackout" drinking, when a person does not remember what he did the day before. The final stage, the most recognizable, involves some kind of physical damage along with the persons becoming involved with the legal system. If a person does not get proper treatment at this advanced stage, he may end up in jail, or worse, dead. The primary difference between a person who abuses alcohol and one who does not is that the abuser is not predictable. He cannot predict if his next drinking episode will be excessive or not. A non-abuser will not drink to excess time after time.

There are several signs associated with alcoholism, this is only a partial listing of things to look for.

Do you drink heavily after a disappointment? Do you drink heavily when under pressure? Can you drink more now than when you were younger? Do you wake up after a night of drinking and cannot remember the night before? When at a party, do you have a few extra drinks when others will not know? Are there times when you feel uncomfortable when alcohol is not available? Is your drinking more hurried than it used to be? Do you sometimes feel guilty about your drinking? Are you irritated when friends/family discuss your drinking? Have you noticed more frequent blackouts? Do you continue drinking after friends stop? When sober, do you regret what you said while drinking? Have you switched brands to try to control your drinking? Have you failed to keep promises about your drinking? Are you experiencing family, work and financial problems?

These are some of the most common symptoms associated with alcohol abuse. It may not be conclusive evidence that a person has a substance abuse problem, but if a family member displays these symptoms it is recommended that a treatment center be contacted for a professional evaluation. In the Rochester area there are several excellent facilities. Several employers have Em-

ployee Assistance Programs that can and do offer excellent programs for individuals and their families.

S.O.B.E.R. Project

The week of December 10-13 was a rewarding experience for many of the Lodges in our Districts. The place was Marketplace Mall, the event was a fund raiser for the Kids at the S.O.B.E.R. Barn. We wish to express a real thank you to the members of the following Lodges: Valley-Simes, Henrietta, Craftsman, Union Star, Northfield, Webster, East Rochester's Ancient Craft, and Towpath. The members manned the booth that was set up and encouraged patrons to give a Kid a S.O.B.E.R. smile for Christmas. As stated in the earlier article, the Barn is located on Winton Road in the Town of Brighton. It provides a safe haven for young people who want to get away from those who are using drugs and alcohol. Kids learn that drugs lie and that they can build a healthy, good life without them. The Barn provides programs for kids and is staffed by trained volunteers. The final dollar amount will be reported when known. Many thanks to all who participated, your efforts are appreciated. Most of all your efforts will make a difference in the life of a child and that is what this program is all about.

Drug Free School Zones

As you are aware, Grand Lodge offers a program for establishing "Drug Free School Zones" in local Communities. The Greater Rochester Area has been not too successful in establishing the program. We are hopeful that we can now get the ball rolling in the Rochester area.

Lodge programs

The Lodge year is beginning to wind down and the Senior Wardens are beginning to make plans for 94/95. If you would like to start a program in your Community or School District, please contact any member of the Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Committee in your area. They can help you get started. If you do not know who they are, please contact your local District Deputy for information. Members of the team will come to your Lodge and put on a program about substance abuse and "Drug Free School Zones".

Next month we will continue to explore issues around substance abuse. □

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Masons raise funds for the S.O.B.E.R. Barn

By Bro. Daniel B. Walker
Money raised

During the week of December 6-10, 1993, the Masons of the Monroe Districts raised over \$500 to help the good folks at the S.O.B.E.R. Barn in Brighton, New York. This was accomplished by several area Lodges, under the direction of Mark Craib (who was raised in May, 1993). It just goes to show that "many hands make light work".

S.O.B.E.R.

For those who do not know, S.O.B.E.R. stands for "Students of Brighton Encourage Recovery". It was set up some years ago to provide a drug and alcohol free environment for teens recovering from a drug or alcohol addiction. It now serves any teenager who desires to have fun in a drug free environment.

Location

It is literally a remodeled barn that has a heating system installed. Originally the barn was a storage facility for the outdoor maintenance equipment of the Brighton Central Schools. It is located on S. Winton Road in Rochester.

Funding

Until this year, much of the funding was provided through the

United Way. This year the funding was cut off completely. Because of this, they decided to come to the Masons for help. In the past, the Monroe Masons have raised substantial funds for many causes including over \$100,000 for the local Ronald McDonald House.



Brother Mark Craib, S.O.B.E.R. Barn Fund Raiser organizer.

Everyone helps

Contact was made through R.W. Larry Canfield. Larry then enlisted the help of newly raised Bro. Mark Craib. Mark has been affiliated with the local volunteer fire department and volunteer ambulance, as well as being an EMT 2. Bro. Craib was enthusiastic about enlisting the help of local Masonic youth groups. For this we all say, "Well done, Mark, keep up the great work".



Bro. Dan Walker, Northfield Lodge and Bros. Bill Hook and Charles Strickland, Craftsman Lodge with patrons at the Marketplace Mall S.O.B.E.R. booth.

Masonic Inter-Lodge Fellowship Committee District Chairmen

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By Neil E. Laundry
A good time

December 4th has come and gone and those of you who did not take advantage of the trip to the Flying Tigers Restaurant and the Festival of Lights missed a most enjoyable time. Even though the weather didn't cooperate, everyone seemed to have a good time. A "tip o' the hat" to Glenn and Carole Hedges for the

restaurant selection! The food and furnishings at the Flying Tigers Restaurant were super. Plenty of Christmas shopping was completed at the Galleria and Rainbow Malls and the sights of the American Festival, though seen through a cold rain, were brilliant. Several folks inquired if we'd begun plans for next year's excursion.

Check the dates

Get your calendars out! We have a new year beginning and plenty of Inter-Lodge activities planned. First on the agenda is a Hockey Night on March 6th. We've purchased a block of 90, \$12.00 tickets and we're providing them through the Masonic Fellowship Committee at the reduced price of only \$6.00 each. That's right! Only \$6.00 per ticket and that's on a first come, first served basis. So, act quickly and don't get shut out!

St. John's Day

The next item to note is the St. John's Day Excursion scheduled for June 18th. Two buses have already been reserved. If our last visit, two years ago, was any indication, we should have a great time. This is a year for the changing of the guard. It is an opportunity for us to throw our support behind our new District Officers, pick up some terrific buys at the craft booths and sample the broad selection of foodstuffs. Sign up early!

For additional information call: Neil Laundry (716)-964-2135

Financial Planning Solutions

By R.W. Gerald J. Glaser

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

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

In several newspaper articles last month, many people were bad mouthing the dollars allocated to the Space Program. The public was told that it was a waste of money and effort, and that we would be better off if we spent this money on the problems that we are having in this country, such as welfare and crime.

I do not know if you, the readers, are aware that before I was a Financial Planner, I was a pretty good Electrical Engineer, who did some work as a Project Engineer on the Sidewinder Missile and the Lunar Excursion Module in the Space Program.

During the course of my work, we designed and hand built a trial computer that was the size of a one foot cube, an unheard of accomplishment in the early sixties. This item was one of the forerunners of the computers that are in use today.

The present computer industry is a direct result of this type of work, and is one of many industries to have come out of the Space Program.

If you are not aware of how many jobs and benefits this industry has produced, you ought to look it up. In my opinion, the entire Space Program funds spent, were well worth the results that we see today in our country.

If the automotive industry, for example, had kept pace and grown like the computer industry, we would be able to buy a Cadillac for about fifty dollars and obtain about 500 miles to a gallon of gas!!

Conclusion: we should continue to support the Space Program and other similar programs to the greatest extent possible.

Finally, regarding the smarts and prestige, who else has put a man on the moon and brought him back?

Prince Hall Fellowship Dinner

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an example, his Viking forbears, who sailed the seas into the unknown world as it then was, in an endeavor to establish a new life and new associations.

So it should be with Masonry. We must not be afraid to be more aggressive in our approach; we must get back to basic Freemasonry; we are in a time of change,

and Masonry must change its way of operating if we are to grow.

He promised leadership in our attempts to establish ties with the Prince Hall Grand Lodge: we have to knock down the walls of prejudice and bigotry, at the same time drawing attention to the fact that this would be no easy task: there are many hurdles to overcome, much work to be done, which clearly required the greatest efforts from all concerned.

Grand Master of Prince Hall

M.W. Solomon Wallace, Grand Master of Prince Hall, also spoke eloquently on the subject of possible ties with one another. He reminded his audience that there are good Blacks, just as there are some bad Blacks; that there are some good Whites, together with some bad Whites; you've got to look at a man for what he is, until he proves himself differently. He also added that there was suspicion, scepticism, and bad feelings to be overcome, but good humorously stated; "You can only eat an elephant one piece at a time", a remark which drew laughter and applause.

However, it was his most dramatic point that drew the loudest applause: "We have those who support us, and we know there are those who oppose us. To them I say stand aside, because we are going to march right over you".

The remarks of both Grand Masters were generously received by a most appreciative audience, as evidenced by prolonged applause.

The Chairman for the event was R.W. Kenneth Graber, of Perseverance-Suburban Lodge, Buffalo, who conducted the proceedings in his own inimitable manner.

Editor's Note

A transcription from a tape of both Grand Master's messages will be printed in a future issue of the *Masonic Times*.

Visit A Lodge
This Month

Monroe District's 8th Annual "Widow's Luncheon"

Where: Logan's Party House
When: Saturday, February 26, 1994
Time: Noon Luncheon

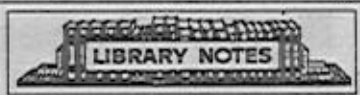
Master of Ceremonies: R.W. Ron Mertens
Guest Speaker: R.W. Rod Burris Former Grand Marshal.
Invocation/Benediction: R.W. Paul Gleason
Entertainment: Churchville Lodge Brothers, Mark Phillips and Nate Shafer from the Twilight Group.

Make your reservations and get your tickets from your Lodge Master.

Deadline for reservations: February 17, 1994.

For further information call:
R.W. Bill Baldwin
R.W. George Simon
R.W. Wayne Engbrecht

Let's have a good turnout from all the Lodges to honor our widows!



Morgan Affair Papers Added to Livingston Masonic Library Archives

The Livingston Masonic Library recently added to its archives a series of 32 manuscripts dating from 1827 to 1831 which shed light upon the prosecution (sic) of Freemasons following the disappearance of William Morgan. These important documents were originally the property of Victory Birdseye, the Special Counsel employed by New York State to investigate the Morgan Affair, and include transcriptions of witness testimonies, discussions of legal aspects of the Morgan Affair, and significant information concerning the environment in which the anti-Masonic movement flourished.

These papers descended through the Birdseye family before coming to rest at the Livingston Masonic Library. They are now available to Masonic researchers for the first time in generations. The Livingston Masonic Library is a non-profit center for the collection, study, and preservation of the Masonic heritage.

For further information concerning the Victory Birdseye papers, or to arrange an appointment to see them, please contact Kathleen M. Haley, Librarian, Livingston Masonic Library, 71 West 23rd Street, New York NY 10010-4171, or call (212)-741-4505.

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R..W.. Robert G. S. Nicoll



*It's Great to
be a Mason*

District Deputy Grand Master

For the Genesee-Wyoming District

After the excitement and joys of the holiday season, now is the time to think of what we can accomplish in Masonry in 1994. First and foremost is improving our Masonic image in the Community. Let's make our Temples shine. Clean, paint, put up a significant sign identifying the Temple. Tell of events in the local newspapers. Have dinners with an Open House; a "Bring-a-Friend Night". Talk Masonry. Create excitement about the Craft, and all our charities. Let's do it now, time waits for no one.

Been a pleasure

Talking about time, in five months my two year term as your District Deputy Grand Master will be completed. What a pleasure and honor it has been to represent Genesee-Wyoming District, and I must say it's the fastest two years of my life. I've been present at the Official Visits, presentation of Distinguished Service Awards, 50-60-70 year recognition of Brothers' Masonic membership, church services, Order of the Eastern Star functions, and Grand Lodge Cornerstone ceremonies, training sessions and meetings. It was a very special honor to have my wife, Rt. Wthy. Leone, serving as District Deputy Grand Matron, OES, concurrently with my term. We both treasure all the meetings,

traveling, and the wonderful Masonic friends we have in the Genesee-Wyoming District, and in the State of New York.

New address

We have recently moved to LeRoy, and our new address is: Robert and Leone Nicoll
19 East Main Street
LeRoy, New York 14482
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New information

A new brochure is available from Grand Lodge Sales explaining Masonry. It replaces the Q&A. The cost is only \$.02 a copy, and is ideal to give to prospective members. In Public Relations studies, 10% of all handouts are read, studied, and acted upon favorably. Each Lodge should order 100 brochures, and in the next month or so, you will have 100 new members. With this expected influx of members, Masters, have the off nights for degree work. If your regular meeting night is the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, for instance, have your degree work on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. Another avenue is having degree work on Saturday afternoon.

Make plans

This is the time of year that we farmers make plans. In a few months we will be "striking out" a new land, preparing to plant, cultivate, and grow an excellent crop.

Use the "24 Inch Gauge" manual to create excitement for your Lodges. Make interesting programs, get involved in the Community, promote Drug Free School Zones, and show everyone how proud we are to be Masons.

Help needed

In January we expect to dedicate many Drug Free School Zones. Help us put the signs up. Send your Lodge Secretary \$15.00 (tax deductible), made out to the Masonic Brotherhood Fund, DFSZ sign. These signs make us very proud to be a sponsor with the NY State Education Department.

New events!

For those Brothers who are out of the habit of attending Lodge, BREAK THAT HABIT!! You are losing out by not coming to Lodge. Many new things have happened, and more new events are coming up. Masonry is on the move!!

See you in Lodge!
It's great to be a Mason! □

Grand Sword Bearer

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



R..W.. Keith A. Granger

Leadership Course

Brothers, the time has come when I should be organizing a Leadership Development Course. The first thing I need to do is to determine how many people would like to take the Course. Remember, the Grand Master has said that anyone planning on becoming a member of the Purple must have completed, or be enrolled in, this Course.

It will be a two class Course to be held wherever it is closest for the Brothers who are participating. The cost is \$16.00 per person. I will need to order materials ahead of time, so keep in mind that you will need to pay in advance.

Call me at 716-493-2908 by January 18th if you plan on attending. The date will be set according to what the Brothers feel is suitable for the group.

I am looking for two Brothers who have completed the Course to help me administer the program. Anyone who could help, please give me a call.

Deer "hunting"

At a Degree practice at Oakland Lodge, the Brothers reported that the window in the dining room had been broken out and that there was blood on the floor and walls. The Brothers called the Sheriff's Department for an investigation, during which they found nothing missing. They also found out that what had broken the window was a deer. Apparently it had jumped thru the window and was cut on the glass. It ran around the dining room and the front entrance, jumped

back out the window, and left. Deer hair was found on the window sill.

I thought this would be interesting to share with all the Brothers who go deer hunting! □

From the Grand Chaplain's Station

*Grand Lodge, F&A.M.
State of New York*



R..W.. and the Rev. Dr.
Eligius J. Ratner

Heritage

Heritage is our important link with the past. Alex Haley was so intrigued with his black heritage, that he wrote a book entitled "Roots".

King David

King David, too, reflected on his heritage. In Psalm 16:5-6 he wrote: "The Lord is the portion of my inheritance. The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places; yea, I have a good heritage". He is mindful of his forefathers, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, Moses, Samuel and a number of other great men--all who had contributed something to his life. With God's help, he was able to extend the kingdom. Eventually, he made Jerusalem the capital of the religious, as well as the political center of the Hebrew State.

The Temple

David had decided to build a temple (I Kings 5:5), but it was left to his son, Solomon, to fulfill his father's ambition. With great pomp and ceremony, Solomon dedicated this temple (I Kings 8) which later became part of Freemasonry's heritage.

Masonic Heritage

Besides the Temple of Jerusalem, we Masons have a heritage of which we may well be proud. Although we do not claim to have any monopoly on truth, yet we do claim that we have had entrusted to us, certain elements of truth, which the world needs.

As Masons, we have the heritage of faith in God, as demonstrated by our Brother Mason, George Washington's belief in the existence of God. Like all Masons, he believed that God is sovereign, that God is love and that He is our Father, the One who claims our obedience to His moral laws.

Character

The heritage of character has been handed down to us. Before a man can be admitted to Masonry, he must be of good character. In fact, he rests both hands on the Holy Bible and makes this Book of Divine Law his guide-line for the building of a good character. We have a shining example of character in our recently deceased Grand Master, M..W.. Sheldon K. Blank and in our deceased Grand Secretary, R..W..

Wendell K. Walker. They not only lived as men of character, but they also became an example by their lives. Like each Brother entering Masonry, they pledged their allegiance to the high principles of Masonry, and they also acted accordingly.

Charity

An outstanding heritage of Freemasonry is the basic tradition and extensive practice of the members helping needy Masons and non-Masons. This is done, either directly or through Masonry's many charitable organizations.

Order

When it comes to the heritage of order, we find that, from the very beginning, Masonry was based on a democratic system. There is no room in the Lodges for autocratic rule by individuals. The ordinary members choose their leaders each year, not only in their Lodges, but also when they attend the over-all governing body, called Grand Lodge.

International Fellowship

Then, there is the heritage of International Fellowship. This means that Freemasonry is spread throughout the world, to the extent that its individual jurisdictions are headed by a Grand Lodge within a specific territory: for example, England, Scotland, Ireland, Canada, France, Italy, South America and the various states of the United States, etc.

Our heritage is a world-wide fellowship. But, it is not ours for enjoyment only. It is ours for service. It is for us to be charitable to all people as God is, for we are all one great Brotherhood. With the heritage bequeathed to us by our Masonic ancestors, our trust is to spread the light of Freemasonry by the example of our lives and to pass it on to future generations as unsullied as we have received David's "goodly" heritage. □

Oakland Lodge No. 379 F. & A.M.



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By W.. D.J. Beardsley
Happy New Year to all of you.

Brotherhood Fund

W.. Robin Bowles is our Brotherhood Fund Chairman. Let's all dig deep and support this worthy cause.

Third Degree

We plan to confer the 3rd Degree upon our candidates on February 8, 1994. The 2nd Degree was a pleasure for all involved. Special thanks to Constellation and Triluminar Lodges for their assistance. R..W.. Russell Hurlburt of Oakland Lodge did a marvelous job on the Middle Chamber Lecture.

It is a wonderful feeling to see some new men working their way through their Degrees on the way to becoming Master Masons in Oakland Lodge.

It would be great if we could back this up with some more petitions, so come on, Brothers, look around you for a few good men. □



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W. Chester MacRae

Convention

A fine dinner, served by Arcade Chapter, OES, set the mood for a well attended meeting. Although Hesperus, the farthest Lodge to travel, arrived a bit late, they were well represented. It was too bad that they were missing the one officer that would have entitled them to the "Potts Award".

Arcade Lodge No. 419, with the assistance of their OES, will again host next year's convention.

Our Grand Lecturer, M. W. Calvin G. Bond, clarified questions concerning the Tiler, balloting and the conducting of no-tables to the East.

Visits

The end of my scheduled visits are drawing nigh. Even though there are only four or so months left in my term, I would still be glad to offer my assistance in rehearsals or other pertinent work. Please call me if you desire my presence.

Molly

It may not be in the scope of my duties, but I feel that the article in the O.T. Guide Manual, page 51, revised 1983, treats the Traveling Gavel quite well.

With allusion to, "Who has Molly?", some of the rules outlined there will be of assistance. I suppose our District has its own rules, but a sentence, and I quote: "The Master of any Lodge, immediately upon gaining possession, must notify all other Lodges that his Lodge is currently in possession, so that these other Lodges may make plans to visit his Lodge and win it", is quite apropos to the rivalry with Triluminar Lodge No. 543.

cost. A simple phone call is all it takes to access this great resource.

3. THE MASONIC HOME. Located in Utica, NY, the Home provides adult and nursing care for Masons and widows of Masons and nursing care for the general public. The service and quality of care is first rate. Masons and their widows are eligible for "domiciliary care" (for people who are self-sufficient as well as nursing care. The Home, and the new Masonic Community being built on the campus, is supported largely through fees charged to its patients, Medicare and Medicaid money, etc. Still, Brotherhood Fund contributions are critical as the Home is currently running a \$2.5 million annual deficit.

4. MASONIC MEDICAL RESEARCH LABORATORY. Though located on the grounds of the Masonic Home, this is a separate facility. One of the finest basic biomedical research facilities in the country (consistently ranked in the top 10% in competition for NIH grants), this is also the only basic biomedical research laboratory owned by a Grand Lodge in the United States! Currently, research focuses on heart disease, cancer, gerontology, and immunology. It is the kind of basic research which lays the groundwork for the stunning, miraculous breakthroughs for which United States medical science is world renowned. Sadly, as budget pressures force the Federal Government to cut research dollars, facilities like this are feeling the pinch. Brotherhood Fund contributions are again crucial.

5. MASONIC BENEVOLENCE. This fund is used to support needy Brethren. A few hundred dollars here, maybe a little more there. We've all had times when the chips are down. This fund helps the poor and distressed among us.

6. VETERANS HOSPITAL PROGRAM. "When are the Masons coming again?" That's the oft' heard refrain from vets who are consigned to VA hospitals. The Veterans Service Committee volunteers make it a point to warm the lives of those who have sacrificed themselves for this country. They take the vets to ball games and serve refreshments. The money to support these activities comes from your contributions to the Brotherhood Fund.


7. MASONIC YOUTH FOUNDATION. This money goes to fund the activities of Camp Turk, DeMolay, Triangle, Constellation, and Rainbow Girls. This provides good, clean fellowship for our youth, something which is in short supply in today's world.

8. DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE. The money also goes to fund substance abuse treatment. The Masonic Fraternity was invited to be the principle non-governmental institution involved in the DRUG FREE SCHOOL ZONE project. This sends a message to government, and the public, that Masons care about youth, society, and Community. We are more than just a social club. We are working to make a difference in the world around us.

Over the year, I will work with our Worshipful Master to arrange special presentations that you might learn more about these fine Charities."

I think you can see from the above excerpt, why I am so proud of my officers.

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



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

R. W. Kenneth E. Kohlhaugen,
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By W. Glenn L. Cramer

Nov. 15th Communication

Arrangements were finalized for our Bingo Night in Batavia at the VA Hospital. Preparation was begun to make arrangements for the Christmas Party. It was noted that there were five Brothers requiring jackets with the Masonic logo on the back. Being that a minimum of six were required to place an order, a motion was made and carried that an order be placed for the six jackets.

Sickness and distress

Bro. Neil Parmerter fell from his tree stand, a distance of 21 feet, and has broken both wrists and was hospitalized. Also, his brother, Bill, had a pin put in his wrist to ameliorate an old injury.

Available upon request

Directories from the Genesee/Wyoming Council of Masonic Activities have arrived. There are 20 copies available per Lodge, and they will be supplied on request.

Picnic planning

There has been some talk of arranging for the "Mountain Men" to have a camp-out at Luce's Pond this coming Summer during our family picnic.

Dec. 6 Communication

I was very pleased to have Bro. Neil Parmerter in attendance at this Communication. Although his casts went from his fingertips to his shoulder on both arms, he did well at the opening of the Lodge and had a recognizable grip.

It was reported that Bro. Harold Merle was out of work again due to chest pains.

Bingo

Bingo at the VA Hospital went well, as many volunteers and Lodge members helped.

Thanks

The Degree costumes were returned to Batavia Lodge. We would like to thank them for allowing us to use them.


Special meeting

It was reported that there was a special meeting at the Lodge on November 29th to discuss the Trust Fund. Alternate methods of investment and possible By-law changes were discussed.

Third Degree

Arrangements were made for a Third Degree on January 17th. Lodge will open at 7:00 p.m., with the First Section. There are two candidates.

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



W. Michael L. Klinkbeil,
Master
344-2194

2nd & 4th Tuesdays

W. Robert F. Dagen,
Secretary 548-7148

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By W. Michael L. Klinkbeil

Here's hoping that everyone has had a very Merry Christmas and the beginning of a prosperous and happy New Year. Around here, Santa always gives everyone else the presents and me the bills, but think of how much good cheer everyone receives at this time of the year.

New Brothers

After two unsuccessful attempts, including a dress rehearsal, Bro. Bill Genagon has finally initiated two new Brothers. Maybe the extra practice was worth it, as things moved along

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



W. Shawn L. Wright, Master
535-7751

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. Shawn L. Wright

Examples of support

I just wanted to take the time to tell the members of the Lodge and their ladies that I appreciate the support you have given me and the Lodge over the past year. Sometimes people forget that there are many different ways to support a Lodge.

You may never miss a meeting; you may attend many functions and bring your family and friends; you may send in your dues promptly, or send in a little extra when you can. You may take an office; you may stop by and run the vacuum cleaner or nail a loose board. You may check on a Brother that doesn't get out the way he used to.

You may explain Freemasonry to a person and tell them how much you enjoy it. Living a just life, and being a good example of a member of the Craft, counts. These are just a few examples of support for your Lodge and Fraternity.

Again, I thank you!! It is my sincere desire that the New Year brings you and yours happiness, prosperity and good health.

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By W. Robert H. Clow

Brotherhood Fund

I recently asked Bro. Glenn Emerson to take over the duties of the Lodge Brotherhood Fund Chairman. As part of his first contact with the Brethren, he wrote an excellent letter, a portion of which is the subject of this month's article.

"For those who are new to the Fraternity (we have added some new names to the rolls of late) I'll briefly expound on the importance of the Brotherhood Fund and the charities to which it contributes. Those of you who are already enlightened in this regard, please bear with me. The money in the Brotherhood Fund comes solely from the voluntary contributions of men like yourselves, the Brethren of the Grand Lodge of New York. None of the money in the Fund comes from Grand Lodge dues. When you give to the Fund, you can choose how your donation is spent. Currently, the choices are:

1. ALLOCATION BY THE GRANDMASTER. These funds are used by the Grand Master, at his discretion, to meet shortfalls in Grand Lodge budgets, or shortfalls in the various charities which we support.

2. THE ROBERT R. LIVINGSTON LIBRARY AND MUSEUM. This library, with its impressive collection of scholarly and philosophical treatises on the Craft, is supported solely from Brotherhood Fund donations and institutional grants. It receives no money from Grand Lodge dues. Any member of Grand Lodge is free to borrow books from the Library, at no



Brian Adamczyk receiving the Grand Lodge Eagle Scout Commendation from W. Glenn Cramer, Master of West Star Lodge No. 413.

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

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very well. It is good that we do this, because we have a new class already forming for the Spring.

Brotherhood Fund

Our Brotherhood Fund Chairman, W. Franklin Lund, has sent notices to everyone. Please take the time to return them to him with as generous a contribution as your individual situation permits. A full page could be devoted to all of the good this fund provides; let each one of us provide the support this program demands.

Good information

Our Secretary, W. Bob Dagen, has indicated that the response to the questionnaire sent out with the annual dues notices has been worth the effort, some good information has been obtained through this endeavor. This will, as stated in the questionnaire, allow for the Master to review the same and make some plans to incorporate these ideas into his program. Your input is most appreciated and I will have the SW and JW participate for the long range effect.

Remembering widows

A Committee was dispatched to visit all of our widows in the immediate area and bring them each a seasonal flower and our good tidings. We also presented several Widows Pins, which were well received. Everyone is looking forward to the Widow's Dinner in the Spring of the year. I assured them that our Dinner Committee is presently in the process of making plans for this event.

Congratulations

Bro. Bill Smith received one of his Christmas presents early, when his lovely wife presented him with a healthy baby boy on December 9th. Proud "Papa" is already buying baseballs, footballs, and other such things to get him started off in the right direction. Our congratulations to both of them on this joyous occasion.

Thanks

I wish to take a few lines to say thanks to all of my Brothers, Companions, Sir Knights, Sisters and everyone else for the help, aid and assistance given to me during the time of the losing battle with cancer that my son, Jim, had gone through. It helped tremendously with your patience, kindness and understanding, which enabled me to get through this period of my life. A special thank you to all.

HESPERUS Lodge No. 837



W. John A. Jessop,
Master
494-2017
1st and
3rd
Thursday

W. Stuart P. Lambell,
Secretary 494-1360
12 South Lake Ave.
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By W. John Jessop

My apologies for missing the last two deadlines. However, Hesperus has had a couple of very busy months. Most important, we had a most successful Sauerkraut Dinner under the chairmanship of Brother Marty Krause and a 15-15 Party with Brother Ted Paine chairing.

We welcome our newest candidate, who will be taking his Master Mason Degree on January 20th.

The Masonic Service Bureau put on a very special night for Hesperus and guests.

Highlight

By the time you read this, we will have distributed the food boxes to deserving people in the area, working with Hesperus OES, Bergen Fire Dept., American Legion and the Bergen Gun Club. This, I feel, is one of the highlights of the year, and is what Masonry is all about.

Condolences

On a sad note, W. Gilbert D. Ide received his Supreme Call this month. W. Ide was a Master Mason for 77 years, and was Master of Hesperus in 1929.

Future dates

On January 6th there will be a Table Lodge, with dinner at 6:00 p.m., the cost is \$6.00. Reservations can be made by calling W. John Jessop at 494-2017 or Bro. John Specht at 548-2694.

On January 20th there will be a 3rd Degree, dinner at 6:30 p.m. February 3rd will be a regular meeting, and the 1st Degree will be held on February 17th.

Reminder

Just a reminder to all Brothers to get their dues in and remember the Brotherhood Fund.

Time flies

In conclusion, if the second half of the Masonic year goes as fast as the first, June will be here before we know it.

I hope everyone has had a happy holiday and wish all a successful and prosperous New Year.

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



W. Chester MacRae,
Master
492-1257
2nd & 4th
Tuesdays

R. W. Leonard Mason,
Secretary 492-1813
Main Street
Arcade, New York 14009

By W. Chester MacRae

Auction

As mentioned in the previous news letter, your auction raised funds to purchase Drug Free School Zone signs. Your Secretary has made this purchase, and further appropriate actions are now being taken. I wish to thank my officers, especially Brothers Bob McElheny and Mike Wiedeman for their untiring assistance.

Dues

Summons and dues notices are now in your hands. The Annual Meeting of 1992 took action on applications and initiation fees and dues. As your summons reflects, dues have been increased. This increase is really not enough to support the existence of your Lodge, let alone the building! You can expect further increases in the future. To "hold the line", fund raising projects are a necessity, and require the full support and participation of all members.

Activities

Brothers and members of Arcade Lodge No. 419, take notice of the activities of the other Lodges in your District, as published in these pages. These activities require committees, participation and "side liners". Your Lodge does not have any programs, activities or committees. Your Master is prepared and will initiate programs and activities for meetings, but not without your participation and attendance! It is very embarrassing to have a guest speaker and have NO sideliners in attendance, as is now the case. Turn over a new leaf and make 1994 the year you get back in the swing of things and give me your support by attending your Lodge meetings. No sideliners - no committees = NO ACTIVITIES.

Newspapers

You have been receiving this paper for a year, and are probably wondering how. Noted on another page is the cost per individual subscription vs. Lodge subscription. I have evaluated the cost of sending Lodge notices vs. this avenue of communication. I feel this is a good approach. It does have a cost, as do regular notices. To date this publication has been funded by a few donations. This may not be the case in the future. 1994 is paid for. Would you like to continue to receive this paper? Would you accept a dues increase to support this paper? Would you contribute, and how much, rather than a dues increase?

Happy New Year

Please support W. Craig Reitmeyer by your donations to the Brotherhood Fund. Honor your dues notice. If you become delinquent you wind up having to play "catch up"!

Have a pleasant holiday and a Happy New Year.

CONSTELLATION Lodge No. 404



W. John F. Cook,
Master
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1st & 3rd
Thursdays

R. W. Charles Myers,
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By W. John F. Cook

Ladies Night and 50 Year Presentation

Thursday evening, December 2, 1993, was a very enjoyable and rewarding night. 38 people attended the dinner held at Hawley's Restaurant, sharing great food and conversation. Dr. Kurt Marx, his wife, and guest, Miss Caroline Smith, were guests of Constellation Lodge for dinner, in honor of his having been a Mason for fifty years.



(left to right) Dr. Kurt Marx, R. W. Robert Nicoll, W. John F. Cook.

After dinner an Open Meeting was held with members and their wives present. It was my honor and privilege to present Dr. Kurt Marx with a 50 year Pin and Certificate. After my brief talk, R. W. Robert Nicoll congratulated Bro. Marx on his fifty years as a Mason. At this time, he also spoke to everyone present about Freemasonry and what it meant to himself and fellow Brothers.

Escorting R. W. Nicoll was his wonderful wife, Leone, who entertained us with her excellent playing of Christmas music on the organ. What a joy to sit and listen to Leone "do her stuff" on the keyboard. After closing Lodge, everyone joined in singing of Christmas Carols, accompanied by Leone. What an enjoyable evening!

W. Searle Hocking was the other 50 year Pin recipient, but was unable to attend. Congratulations, Searle. The Pin and Certificate were mailed to W. Hocking.

Degree work

Work on the 2nd Degree went very well with many Brothers in

attendance. A good job was done by all. Thank you.

Because of conflicting dates, the Third Degree scheduled for December 16th has been changed to Thursday, January 6th, 1994. The First Section will begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by a dinner and the Second Section, beginning at 8:00 p.m. Plan on attending dinner-call any of the officers with your reservation.

Molly

During the past several months, W. M. "Chuck" Krauss of Triluminar Lodge has been "strutting" around the District proclaiming their fame to the Traveling Trophy, "Molly".

Well, finally six Brothers and I (Bro. Bill Barrett, Charles Myers, Paul Stickley, Jack Barnard, Omer Gill, and Gerry Sahrle) took the "bait", and went to Pike on December 8th.

After an attempt to "hide" Molly, the Master reluctantly handed over the Trophy to Constellation Lodge. Bro. Omer Gill accepted it.

Future plans

Looking forward to 1994, with

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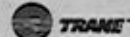


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By R..W.. Keith A. Granger

We have a candidate and we will be conferring the Entered Apprentice Degree on January 12th, 1994. The Degree will start at 8:00 p.m., and I hope everyone in Triluminar Lodge who is available will attend. There are many reasons why we would like you there, the most important being because you are a Brother to us and we would like to see you.

Changes

Many changes have been made in the last year with the Temple and property. Let me share them with you.

We have put in place a Community Playground and had a Cornerstone Dedication with the Grand Master present.

We have put a new floor in the basement and a new roof on the Temple. For the Lodge Room, we painted the ceiling and put up new draperies throughout the whole building. Best of all, there is new carpeting in the Lodge Room.

Let's not forget the organ R..W.. Steve Wing donated to the Temple.

New faces

I believe we have initiated nine Brothers into the Fraternity in 1993, with one more taking the Degrees now.

Clean faces!

I have cleaned up and put on display in the dining room, all the pictures of the Past Masters that were stored in the furnace room. □

Masters & Wardens Association
GENESEE-WYOMING DISTRICT

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W.. Carl Fisher 537-9943
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W.. Glenn Cramer 535-7792

By W.. Shawn L. Wright
Council meeting

The next meeting of the Council of Masonic Activities will be at the Warsaw Temple at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 22, 1994. All Masters and Wardens are invited to attend. It would be nice to have a representative from each of the twelve Lodges.

R..W.. Vern Goodrich will present a short program on the Masonic Service Bureau, and how it pertains to our District. All members are urged to attend.

Masters and Wardens

A meeting of the Masters and Wardens Association will be held immediately following the Council meeting. There will be substantial refreshments served after the meeting.

The meetings will not take long and it should prove to be a good time for all. I look forward to seeing you there. □

Purple Apron Club

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322-7343

By R..W.. Holden P. Miller

Date change

We have been advised by the President of the GW Council of Masonic Activities, W.. John Jessop, that the January meeting has been switched from Sunday the 23rd, to Saturday, January 22nd, because of the Football Playoffs. (No bye week this year.) It will be held at Warsaw Lodge at 2:00 p.m., January 22, 1994.

All Masters, please announce this change at your January Lodge meeting.

Service Bureau

W.. Jessop also advised he has invited the representative from the Masonic Service Bureau to present his short program on the Service Bureau. It was presented at Hesperus Lodge in October, and many present said it should be shown District-wide, and the Council Meeting is about the only one that could gather all Masters at once. It is very informative.

Accomplished goals

As our District Deputy winds down his two year term, he can look back and admire his major accomplishment—the School Districts that now have "Drug Free School Zones". R..W.. Bob Nicoll and R..W.. Keith Granger were constantly covering areas and encouraging them to participate. Each Lodge had a representative who also worked very hard in accomplishing the goal.

Masons doing their part

Just this week the Surgeon General made a call for legalizing drugs, but fortunately, there was no support for this. I wonder how our Drug Free School Zone workers felt about that premise of legalizing drugs, and what about the youngsters who have read about "Say no to drugs" all his life, and now it could become a "yes" or "ok" to do so. It sure is a problem that seems to worsen. Don't we have enough addicts now?

At least we Masons are attacking the sale around school property. □

Important Date Change

Genesee/Wyoming District Council of Masonic Activities meeting, Saturday, January 22, 1994, Warsaw Lodge.

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

This history was prepared by R..I.. Layton F. Vogel, a charter member of the same and still very active as Treasurer and Chairman of the 'Charity Fund', plus filling in at any vacancy in the Council when called upon to do so. R..I.. Layton also performs an excellent job in conferring the Select Master Degree. A personal

thank you from the membership of the Council in the preparation of this history, another 'job well done'.

The Beginning

This Fall marks the 40th year since the granting of the Charter to Nun-Da-Wa-Ga Council. The following is a synopsis of how the Council came into existence and some of the highlights, both happy and sad, which took place during those formative years.

It all started one evening in 1952 when a group of Companions gathered around the table at lunch after an area Chapter meeting.

Chief Nicholas Bailey, from the Tonawanda Indian Reservation, a very well known respected Mason and civic leader, brought up the topic of that branch of Masonry known as Cryptic Masonry or the Council. Chief Bailey stated that the saga of Masonry was incomplete without the two Council Degrees, namely, Royal and Select Master Degrees. He also mentioned that another Degree, an Honorary Degree, called the Super-Excellent Degree, was also a part of the Cryptic Rite. This Degree required a very large cast and was usually conferred only in Councils having a large Lodge meeting room, costumes, and good ritualists. This Degree was not essential to become a member of a Council although each member should endeavor to receive the Degree, if at all possible.

A great amount of interest was aroused in those present and questions were forthcoming as to the possibility of forming a Council in the Genesee-Wyoming District, since there was no Council in the immediate area.

After discussion, pro and con, it was agreed to hold a meeting to discuss this further. All Chapters in the District were notified of this meeting so that any Companion interested might come to discuss and voice his opinion. The meeting was set for October 1, 1952 at 8:00 p.m. at the Warsaw Masonic Temple. Nineteen Companions were present at this meeting, of which seven were already members of a Council.

Meade A. Ewell was chosen as Acting Chairman and C.H. Klahn as Acting Secretary. Among the Companions in attendance were M..I.. Parker Waggoner, Grand Recorder of the Grand Council, a very good friend of Chief Nicholas Bailey. Also present was R..I.. Austin Dodge from Palmyra Council No. 34, District Deputy of the 8th Cryptic District, another good friend of Nick. R..I.. Dodge explained in detail the Council Degrees.

After a thorough discussion, it was agreed to petition the Grand Council for permission to form a Council in the Genesee-Wyoming area. They asked M..I.. Waggoner to carry their request to M..I.. Howard Adams, Grand Illustrious Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of New York. M..I.. Waggoner said he would be very happy to do this. He suggested that the three top officers be selected at this time. Chief Nicholas Bailey was chosen as Illustrious Master, Meade A. Ewell as Deputy Master and Layton F. Vogel as Principal Conductor of the Work. All of these Companions were already a member of a Council in the State. All three thanked the members present for their confidence in choosing them for this high office. Chief

Bailey added to his appreciation by stating, quote, "This moment recalls to me the date 1863 and Lodge No. 527, F. & A. M. at Akron, N.Y., when Brigadier General Ely Parker was selected to be the first Master of Akron Lodge No. 527". General Parker was an Indian and a very able aide to General Grant, and wrote the surrender terms for General Lee. General Parker proved that people of his race could and should take an active part in our society.

The next order of business was the selection of a name for the Council. Six names were suggested, namely - Oatka, Wyoming, Jamison, Genesee and Nun-Da-Wa-Ga. Chief Bailey suggested the name Nun-Da-Wa-Ga, which means "homeland or home in the hills", be selected, in memory of the Seneca Indians who once lived in this region. It was the final choice. They decided to meet at the Warsaw Temple if the Council was approved.

M..I.. Waggoner was prompt in relaying to M..I.. Adams the desire of the Companions, for in a letter dated October 6th, from M..I.. Adams and attested by Grand Recorder Waggoner, a Dispensation was granted to the Companions residing at Warsaw or closely adjacent thereto, to form a new Council to be known as 'Nun-Da-Wa-Ga' Council. Under Dispensation, said Council to hold their meetings at the Masonic Temple in Warsaw, the officers nominated at that time be authorized during the period of the Dispensation to receive petitions, ballot on the same, confer the Degrees of Royal and Select Master and to transact such other business as may regularly come before the Council. That this Dispensation shall cease on the first day of August 1953 and that all books and records of the said Council under Dispensation, shall be forwarded to the Grand Recorder as per Article 2, Section 26 of the Constitution.

Word was sent to all Royal Arch Chapters in the area that a Council under Dispensation was approved and any Royal Arch Chapter member wishing to join should come to the meeting on November 10, 1952.

Next month—"Meeting Under Dispensation"

Reminder - Don't forget our next regular Assembly meeting to be held on January 24th at the LeRoy Masonic Temple. See you there. □

District Deputy Grand High Priest
Royal Arch Masons
29th Capitular District
Rt. Exc.
Kenneth E. Kohlhausen
591-9598

Installations

By now elections are over and the "next order of business" is the Installation of the 1994 Chapter Officers.

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On Saturday, January 8th at 7:30 p.m., there will be a District Public Installation of Officers at LeRoy Chapter No. 183. Friends and relatives are invited. We are hoping that the weather will cooperate for this evening of fraternal and social fellowship. We do hope all 5 Chapters in the District will be able to participate. This Public Installation does not preclude the short form titled Installation which must be done at a tiled Convocation.

Mark your calendar

Another date to mark on your calendar, for those who are involved, is the Order of High Priesthood. This will be held in Cathedral Hall in the Rochester Downtown Masonic Temple on Saturday, February 12th.

Grand Chapter

Finally, it is time to start thinking about the 197th Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter. This is to be held in Albany on March 4th and 5th. As soon as I receive positive confirmation, you will be informed. □

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

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

RE Ruel R. Lovett, High Priest
494-2546

William O. Baldwin, Jr. Secretary
352-5664

Masonic Temple
133 S. Union Street
Spencerport, N.Y. 14559

By RE Ruel R. Lovett, EHP
My Companions, the candy bars have all been sold and the money turned in to RE Kenneth Kohlhausen. The Royal Arch Scholarship Fund is \$180.00 ahead. Congratulations to those who helped sell, and to those who bought candy. Thanks also to those who bought seals or contributed to the fund. You can feel very proud knowing that our District may well have the highest total contributions we have attained for one year.

1994 Goals

Attending Chapter Convocations is very important. We were able to open on most occasions. This was a huge improvement over last year. Don't let it stop now. Please support your Excellent High Priest. You can help

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even more if you give a petition to a friend. Why don't we set our goal at SIX MORE MEMBERS for 1994.

With the faithful members that are now attending, and six more, we can be assured of opening every time. There are plenty of Masons who would like to continue their Masonic Education. Talk to them. Give them a chance. When they have finished their Symbolic Lodge Degrees, let them know it's time to further their education. One way to accomplish this is by taking the Royal Arch Degrees.

Great job!

Thanks to the 1993 Officers and Committees. You did a fine job. I've been in very good company.

Tentative date

RE Ken Kohlhaugen has announced a tentative date of Saturday, January 8th, 1994, at LeRoy Chapter, for the District Installation. He and VE Companion Gary Thompson will do the honors.

Have a great year. □

Batavia Commandery No. 34 Knights Templar

Meets
2nd & 4th
Thursdays



SK George L. Brege
Commander 352-0723
SK Allen L. Capwell
Recorder 786-3897

Masonic Temple
200 E. Main Street
Batavia, NY 14020

By SK George L. Brege

Have you ever wondered what happens to all the salad shooters and Chia pets that remained unsold after the holidays?

January is here, and all the Sir Knights are hunkered down in their respective Temples, just like their predecessors of the crusades. They didn't venture out of the castles too much during the Winter; too hard on the horses, and the armor was cold. Here, it can be an adventure getting to Batavia from Wyoming County. Especially when, "the snow blower won't start and the roads are clogged", as Cappie says.

The Toast

We had our Christmas Toast, orchestrated by Rev. Dr. Rainer. Last year we were snowed out. It would appear we missed the same fate this year by only a couple of

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days. The Toast is always one of the more enjoyable assemblies of the year. There is the singing of Carols, the Toasts, and a good wine, always followed by the dessert reception by the Ladies of the Temple.

Esther Kohlhaugen brought some outstanding cookies; I forgot what she called them. The event was well attended, with over forty Sir Knights and ladies. In the group, we were pleased to include SK Ron Bertie, Grand Generalissimo, and his lady. The Zone Officer from Zone Eleven, SK Larry Dunn, and his lady, were also there. If you missed this event, you really ought to put it on your calendar in '94.

Holy Land Pilgrimage

Batavia No. 34 has been informed by the Chair of the Holy Land Pilgrimage Committee, that our nominee for this event, the Rev. Daniel Finch, has been favorably considered and will be attending under our sponsorship. The trip starts in February, '94. The Rev. Finch is Pastor of the Bergen United Methodist Church, located on Lake Street in Bergen. The last nominee of Batavia No. 34 to be so considered was in 1968, when our Rev. Dr. Rainer was selected. If I might remind you, the purpose of these pilgrimages is that as many of our clergy as possible may experience the Holy Land in person. Hopefully, they will return to their congregations and communities with new insight obtained by this firsthand knowledge of the paths walked by Christ.

Temporary changes

Currently, the plans are for me to leave for Florida on December 27th, and return in time for the March 24th Assembly. This Assembly, by the way, will be devoted to the "Feast of the Paschal Lamb". Rev. Dr. Rainer is already making plans for this Assembly. In my absence, PCSK Bob Dagen will take command, and SW SK Ruell Lovett has graciously volunteered to do the groceries.

Preparing for the Inspection should be the "hot item". I'll be working on the standard inspection format and memorizing the special requirements while away. After attending Inspections of other Commanderies, when I return I should be up to speed, come May 12th.

Dues

Cappie says the annual dues are starting to arrive, and the KTEF is doing pretty well.

I just remembered—Esther Kohlhaugen called them "Oatmeal Cookies".

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District Deputy Grand Master
For the First Monroe District
422-1367

The raising of the lights signifies the beginning of a new day. In like manner, the ball in Times Square falling to the ground signifies the beginning of a new year. The start of the new year is an excellent time to reflect on the past year, and to use this hindsight as the basis for foresight. As Masons, I would hope that we would reflect on:

1. The recent reasons for unaffiliations in our Lodges. The time to start to reduce unaffiliations is in January, and not wait until December. Many returns from Brothers who were polled by the Grand Master as to the reason they were being dropped for nonpayment of dues goes back to the Lodge not keeping in touch. We work so hard to bring men into our Lodge; let's work equally hard to keep them.

2. The Spring Class of candidates. "Bring-a-Friend" programs depend on all of us for success. Let's make the Spring Third Degree Festival the biggest ever.

3. The Brotherhood Fund Drive for 1993-94 depends again on all of us joining the rally. We do not want a shortfall in this year's drive.

4. Membership retention has, as a key, fun and interesting meet-

ings and activities. Step forward and be a leader in your Lodge. Offer to chair a program. Share your hobbies and travels.

Unity Dinner

Last month, a group of twelve from the Monroe Districts attended a Buffalo area District Unity Dinner. This was the third event for many of us, and is an opportunity for Prince Hall Masons and New York Grand Lodge Masons to break bread together. The keynote speaker this year was M..W.. Gary Henningsen, Grand Master of our Grand Lodge, with a reply by the Grand Master of the Prince Hall Masons. In summary, the joint objective is for these two great Bodies to recognize each other. It will come to pass in the near future when we will be able to sit together in each other's Lodge room. We will recognize each other as Masons. As Grand Master Henningsen summarized it, we will do it because "God wills it to be." With these two powerful men behind this mission, we will see results before May, 1995.

I thank all of you for your prayers and support in 1993, and I hope all of you have a safe and fun New Year. □

your cooperation, this can be a rich and rewarding time in our journey into the 21st Century.

Worth the effort

I am looking forward to working with the future leaders of the Craft who have signed up for the Leadership Training Course. I know that you will be greatly rewarded for your efforts. See you there.

Tax deductible

Remember the Brotherhood Fund. With the economy the way it is, your contribution is needed more than ever before. Remember, it is tax deductible and the recipients will bless you forever. □

Grand Sword Bearer

Of the Grand Lodge
Of the State of New York



R..W.. Louis DiJames
654-8348

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and yours a happy New Year. I hope this writing finds you all in good spirits and that your Christmas holiday was as pleasurable as mine was.

Transition time

Under the new guide lines of Grand Lodge, we will, as of this month, be working with our successors to insure a smooth transition in May. They will accompany us on our journeys to the Lodges so as to become familiar to you and to meet with you so that you can better understand their hopes and plans for the future. We are laying the groundwork for the future of our Fraternity, and with

Wakan-Hubbard Lodge No. 154



W..Richard L.
Brockmann, Sr.
Master
392-3520
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2nd & 4th
Mondays
7:30 P.M.

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

By W.. Richard Brockmann, Sr.
I hope you all enjoyed happy holidays and are ready for a successful 1994.

January meetings

The first meeting in January will be on the 10th. W.. Richard Friedman will present a program on "Andrew Jackson in Masonry". Please come out to hear an interesting topic on Masonic history. The second meeting, on January 24th, will be a Ladies Night with dinner. The program, called "Street Wise", will be presented by the Monroe County Sheriff's Department.

Thanks

The Christmas Party was enjoyed by all who attended. Many thanks to our new Santa, Bro. Bob Folts.

Tickets needed

The Widow's Luncheon will be February 26th at Logan's. We are looking for a good turnout of Brothers to meet and greet our widows. Call me for tickets.

Masonic plates

Grand Lodge has announced that Masons can now get Masonic emblem license plates. If you are interested in such a plate, contact the Secretary for a form. The plates are available through Grand Lodge. First year cost is \$39.50, with an annual renewal fee of \$25.00.

New members needed

Brothers, we need to step up our activity of bringing in new members. Everyone needs to act on this since our membership is decreasing. We are planning another Bring-a-Friend Night at the Lodge. Further news will be forthcoming as plans are firmed up.

News and Views

By Don Bell
W.. Harold F. Thomas writes, "Best wishes to...all the Brothers for a happy and healthy...New Year." We concur.

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W.. Richard L. Brockmann, Sr., and newly raised Brother, Richard L. Brockmann, Jr.

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Fathers and sons

W.: Rich Brockmann, Sr., recently raised his own son, Rich, Jr. They are now one of eight fathers and sons in our Lodge who are now Brothers.

Sickness and distress

Bro. Norman Leppla is now in the Heartland Nursing Home. Although we hope it's only temporary, he would like to get your cards and letters.

We extend our condolences to the families of Donald Huse and Ralph Maibaum on their passing to the Great Architect above.

Enjoyable trip

Our Worshipful Master reports that the Festival of Lights trip was a success, in spite of the rain. The Flying Tiger Restaurant was a big hit, and was enjoyed by all of the travelers.

Brotherhood Fund

Bro. Frank Briffa reports that our Lodge Brotherhood Fund campaign is doing well, but we need the support of all of you. Let's all contribute to this worthwhile campaign. □



W.: Robert E. Crystal, Master
H 473-0279, O 464-6441
Second Tuesday
6:00 P.M.

W.: Michael S. Goehle, Sec.
H 315-597-6754, O 394-2020
Webster Masonic Temple
30 Orchard St.,
Webster, N.Y. 14580

By W.: Robert E. Crystal

A great loss

I have had occasion to think about religion in the last month. Not only is this a holiday season, but Seneca Lodge has also had two funerals. I want to thank all Brothers, both the Senecans and others who came to those funerals. There is no better proof of the precepts of our Fraternity than Brothers answering the need of the widows and orphans of our departed Brethren. This is what the Senior Warden offers as a reason for becoming a Mason at every Communication. It is also a large part of the concept of the "Family of Man under the Brotherhood of God", for what Brother would not come to give comfort to the family of a Brother on his death?

Think ahead

The sudden deaths of our Brothers: Adrian DeVisser and Ronald Dangler remind me that none of us are ever fully prepared for departure from this earth. It is the conscientious man who keeps his affairs in order and makes arrangements in advance. I shy away from visiting a funeral home to decide what I want; it has been over 15 years since I rewrote my will. This is poor planning and a disservice to my loved ones. Should accident befall me, will my reluctance cause an extra hardship for them or put them in even more need of my Brethren? I hope that each of you reading this will tell your wife where your white apron is stored, where the safety deposit key is and which

funeral home has your instructions. I plan to visit my attorney as soon as possible to get the ball rolling, and I will remember to mention Seneca Lodge, my church and other groups in my will. Each of these bequests will help continue my efforts to serve others.

What it means

During the church services, I was thinking about the significance of the rituals in a man's life. How the Christian Mass is a small recapitulation of the sacrifice of Jesus and a reminder of Easter. How every Mass also contains within it, a reminder of the Passover, the Hebrew symbol of God's actions on earth and his concern for His people. Every Seder also contains a reminder of that Passover.

Tenets of our Fraternity

Masonic ritual contains within it, a summary of tenets of our Fraternity and these are repeated at every Communication. As every newly raised Brother soon realizes, the opening of a Lodge contains much of what was required of him to achieve proficiency.

What is important?

Even the small rituals of our daily lives contain a summary of what is important to us. How many of us holler, "Honey, I'm home!" as we come in, reassuring our loved ones that we are there. How often have we said, "sweet dreams", as we go to bed, reaffirming our love?

All of this leads to the conclusion that we need to remember the importance of what we do every day, and of the significance of all our actions. Every small action contains within it a larger significance.

A great time

By the time you read this, 'Breakfast with Santa' will have come and gone. I hope all of your children or grandchildren had a great time, and that Santa and Mrs. Claus had a good time with all of us. Derek and Judy VanHouten have been a mainstay of the Holiday Season, not only for Seneca Lodge, but for other groups around the county as well. Their chosen project gives them enjoyment and the satisfaction of making us all feel good.

Happy New Year!

I hope 1994 brings you all plenty of opportunity and enjoyment! □



W.: Grant B. Romer, Master
H 242-0619, O 271-3361
2nd
Tuesday
7:30 P.M.
W.: Richard Snyder, Secretary
H 342-2419, O 586-4624
Masonic Temple
875 Main Street East
Rochester, N.Y.
14605-2789

A happy and prosperous New Year to all the Brethren and their families. Hope that all had happy holiday times with your loved ones.

Now, let us get down to the challenge we face for 1994; MEMBERSHIP. By that we mean new members, old members and membership retention.

Annual reports

Our first meeting for 1994 will be on January 11th. The main focus will be the Annual Reports by the Secretary, Treasurer and Trustees. Come on out and learn how we get and spend our money.

Last month we voted on our 1994 budget. At this writing it looks as though dues will be increasing by \$2.00, based on the passage of our budget. This is due to the loss of many Brothers by death.

Support needed

R.: W.: Herb Spencer is going to reinstate our pre-meeting dinners, starting with the January 11th meeting. It is his feeling that we can gain your interest in coming to Lodge meetings by the breaking of bread together, plus a little fellowship. Your support is needed for the Lodge to continue to exist. Dinner will be in the 3rd floor dining room, starting at 6:30 p.m. Call Herb Spencer with your reservation at 271-8577. The deadline will be Thursday, January 6th.

We miss you

We miss seeing some of our Past Masters who have not favored us with their presence lately. Worshipfuls, Caswell, Stear, Tom Belt, Michael A. Robinson, Bundock, Coates, Zilinsky, Miner, Cohen, Robt. Guilfoil, where are you? If I omitted your name, it is due to memory failure, or you have been seen at Lodge lately. Also, how about you other missing Brother sideliners, who have not been seen lately? We would like to have the pleasure of shaking your hand and welcoming you.

Dues

1994 dues are now due. If you have any questions regarding this subject, contact our Secretary, W.: Richard Snyder at 342-2419, or at 586-4624 (office). Dues are what keeps the Lodge healthy financially.

Fellowcraft

For the last two years, R.: W.: Herb Spencer has been President of this group. We have had programs of interest, successful and timely discussions. Also, lots of fellowship. He has now turned over the reins to another, whom you will hear from.

At our last Fellowcraft meeting at the home of R.: W.: Mat Gingold, we had a program put on by Bro. Joe Gingold, who enlightened us about the U.S. Army Transportation action. This was followed by refreshments prepared by Norma Gingold. Thanks again.

Thanks

We thank the Brothers for coming out to Fellowcraft. More thanks to W.: Glenn Stahl and his lovely wife, Carol, for hosting our holiday party again. Anyone who is a member of this Lodge can be part of the Fellowcraft Club for \$2.00 per year. Want to know more, ask, or better yet, come out.

Our Poinsettia Committee was in action again this past holiday season. Thanks, Brothers.

Thanks to R.: W.: David Clarke for getting us involved with the S.O.B.E.R. Program, one of the local youth programs for teenagers to keep them drug free. Those who helped R.: W.: Dave were: Glenn Stahl, Court Young, Richard Giedd, Gary Burke, Mat Gingold, Harold Bollotin, Herb Spencer and Robert Hummel.

Snowbird

Heard from W.: Bob Belt, who

is a Snowbird and a dual member of Dunedin Lodge in Florida. He told us about the successful and great "Table Lodge" they had, and about taking in many new Brothers. He sends his greetings.

Let us know

I you can't drive at night, or need a ride to Lodge for whatever reason, call the Secretary or the Master for arrangements. We are now doing this for several Brothers.

As of this writing, the Worshipful Master is in Italy and will be present for our next meeting in January. □

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

As we start the new year in Masonry, I find the words of a folk song from Nova Scotia, as quoted below, quite appropriate and hope you agree.

"Gentle Lady, Gentleman
May I speak that you might understand

I've been thinking we've been rather blind
Let us leave every difference behind.

Cast your nets on these waters
Your lines on the sea
Your sights on Horizons,
wherever you please
For together, we'll weather
The tide that prevails
With the sun on our shoulders
The wind in our sails.

Those who suffer, those who cry

Call for brothers and friends
by and by

For it's certain united we stand
Side by side, arm in arm, hand in hand.

Little children, know the way
They spend life dream by dream, day by day

And by nature they seem to imply

We must love and just never ask why.

Cast your nets on these waters
Your lines on the sea
Your sights on Horizons,
wherever you please.

For together we'll weather
The tide that prevails
With the sun on our shoulders
The wind on our sails."

The inherent message is quite clear. Let us practice our Brotherhood, and like the children, "never ask why".

Special thanks

Our Latke Party was attended by over 40 members and friends who enjoyed the food and fun of Square Dancing. Special thanks to Bro. Cosmo Pusateri and R.: W.:s Gerald Glaser and Philip Averbach, who worked so hard in the kitchen that day.

Condolences

The Lodge was darkened by the passing of Leonard Trebor. Our condolences to his family and many friends.

Best wishes

Our SW, Douglas Higgins, is returning to school and has reluctantly dropped out of line. We wish him well in his new endeavor.

Important meeting

A meeting of the Past Masters has been called for Thursday, January 6th, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. in the Lodge room to discuss important matters concerning the Lodge.

This will be followed by the Fellowcraft meeting at 7:30 p.m. All members are invited to attend the Fellowcraft meeting.

Dates to remember

There will be a dinner at 6:30 p.m. on January 13th, followed by the DDGM Official Visit at 7:30 p.m.

On January 20th, we will have a visitation to Northfield Lodge at 7:30 p.m.

See you in Lodge. □

MONROE Lodge No. 173



W.: Stephen
M. Harris,
Master
494-1338

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

W.: James P. Branigan, Secretary
964-3676

67 Main Street
Brockport, N.Y. 14420

By W.: Stephen Harris

We hope that the Holiday Season was a happy and joyous one for all. We here at Monroe Lodge certainly have much to celebrate.

1st Degree

We held our 1st Degree on November 23rd. There was an excellent turnout and our candidate was duly initiated. Our thanks go to the Brothers from other Lodges who helped in the preparation and presentation of the Degree. Once again, visiting Brothers showed the great Masonic support we enjoy here in Western New York. Bro. Neil Laundry, who was in the East for the Degree, asked that I thank all of our Brothers who participated.

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particularly Bro. John Specht of Hesperus Lodge for filling in at the 11th hour with the charge, and Bro. Jim Dilarenzo, who sat in as Jr. Master of Ceremonies. He gave the Working Tools only a week after being raised in Charlotte-Corinthian Lodge. Thank you W.: Merle Wallace for your time and effort.

Next Degree

The date for our next Degree has been tentatively set for the 4th Tuesday in January.

Dinner

At the last regular Communication in November, Bro. Elwood Lawrence proposed that the Lodge put on a dinner for the Cobblestone Society. We decided that we would go ahead with this in conjunction with Mary Jane Holmes Chapter, OES. If the speaker proves popular, we may have over 100 people in attendance.

Condolences

We were sorry to hear of the recent passing of Mrs. Marian Rudman, mother of Brothers Robert and Richard Rudman. Our sincere condolences go out to our Brothers and their families.

Brockport Central Drug Free School Zones

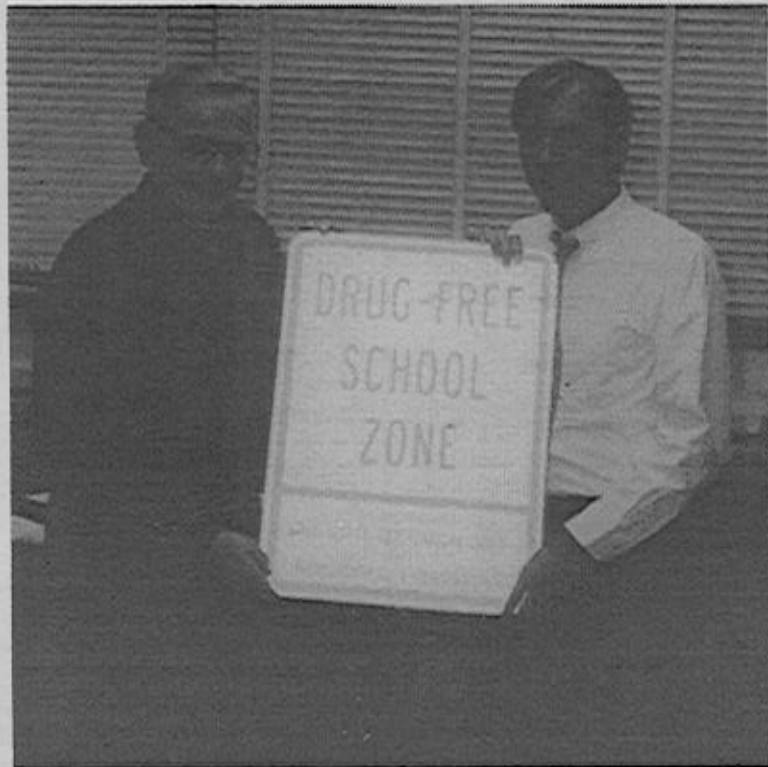
W.: Gerald Werner, acting on behalf of W.: Stephen Harris, Master of Monroe Lodge No. 173, recently had the pleasure to present several signs promoting "Drug Free School Zones" to Mr. James Fallon, Superintendent of Schools for Brockport Central Schools. Fallon noted that this represented but another of many areas of Masonic support for our local schools.

The signs, co-sponsored by New York State Masons and the State Education Department, were presented as part of a Community commitment. This supports the Drug-Free Schools and Community Act passed by the U.S. Congress in 1986 and Section 220.44 of the New York State Penal Code, which provides stronger criminal penalties for drug offenses that occur within a 1,000 foot radius of school property.

The connection

Bro. Werner acted as liaison between the Lodge and the District and was thereby instrumen-

Masons help designate DRUG FREE SCHOOL ZONE for Brockport Central Schools



W.: Jack Werner, Past Master, Monroe Lodge No. 173, presenting a Drug Free School Zone sign to Jim Fallon, Superintendent of Schools for the Brockport School District.

tal in communicating to Board President, Gary Zimmer, the Lodge's desire to participate in this project. Bro. Werner was particularly appreciative for this opportunity to provide the signs for Brockport Central Schools because Monroe Lodge No. 173 is the home of R.: W.: Robert Rudman who, as Chairman for this region, has so faithfully promoted and supported the New York State Free and Accepted Masons Committee on Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention.

Fallon's earlier comment regarding Masonic participation in the School District alluded to the fact that Monroe Lodge No. 173, F. & A.M. and Mary Jane Holmes Chapter No. 440, O.E.S. have regularly contributed to the "Brockport Against Chemical Abuse Program", B.A.C.A., the All Night Drug and Alcohol Free Graduation "Senior Bash". They have participated in the presentation of several annual academic achievement awards.

ground of the Masonic Order, W.: Jerry Jones speaking on the subject of different Concordant Bodies and Bro. Dale Polmateer relating the History of Masonry in Monroe County.

Thanks

A big thank you to Bro.'s Doug Trembeth and Roy Steinbronn for their work on the Craft Sale on November 6, 1993. On October 8, 1993, we sponsored a Blood Drive. Chairman Dale Polmateer did his usual fine job in coordinating the Drive, and thanks to all Brothers who made phone calls.

Sympathies

We extend our condolences to the friends of W.: Arthur Harmer, who died on November 10, 1993, and the family of Bro. William David, who died on October 17, 1993.

Happy Birthday

The following Brothers have December birthdays: Ross Wayne, Howard Garbutt, Tom Hauss, Jerry Jones, Basil VanCamp, Ray Burke, Leland Hendershot, Don Gala and Dave Upham.

Thinking ahead

Don't forget our monthly Spaghetti Dinner on January 25th, beginning at 5:00 p.m. The price for all you can eat is \$3.95, children under 12 eat for only \$1.50. Brothers, start thinking about our Annual Ox Roast, coming up on April 23, 1993.

Happy Holidays

Clio Lodge No. 779 wishes to extend Happy New Year greetings to the families and Brothers of your Lodge.

"Thanks to the Interstate Highway System, it is now possible to travel across the country from coast to coast without seeing anything."
Charles Kuralt

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LODGE No. 779



W.: Merle A. Wallace,
Master
H 637-4067
O 781-5201
1st & 3rd
Tuesdays
7:30 P.M.

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

By Charles A. Tucker, Secretary
Since our last article, we have had our annual Thanksgiving Dinner with Leah Chapter. Also, that night, we had a "Bring-a-Friend Night", with a total attendance of 78.

Great speakers

We had an Open Lodge Meeting with W.: Bruce Chilton giving a very good presentation on the Masonic Organization, W.: Dave Upham giving the back-

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7:30 p. m.

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

By W.: Edgar Means

I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays, and I wish all a happy and prosperous New Year.

Additions

We have two new Master Masons in Etolian Lodge, Brothers John Dyer and Robert Zavasnik. Welcome aboard.

Thanks

Thanks to our Past Master's Degree Team for such a fine job on the Second Section of the 3rd Degree.

Petitions for the Spring Class must be in before January 24th to either the Secretary or the Master.

Hi-Twelve

The Hi-Twelve luncheon will be held January 20th.

Happy news

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Bud Baker on their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Up-coming events

Our Official Visit has been changed to January 10th. On January 24th, we will have a Regular Communication and Drug-Alcohol Abuse Prevention program.

East Rochester's Ancient Craft Lodge No. 943



W.: Paul H. Rogers,
Master
H 244-5383
O 423-4221

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

R.: W.: Leon R. Perkins, Secretary
924-5657
152 Commercial St. West
East Rochester, N.Y. 14445

By W.: Paul H. Rogers

Happy New Year!

It was certainly my pleasure to have been your Master for the last half of '93. Only with the great support and kindness you have all shown me does the office of Master become a position and not a job. Out with the old, in with the new? Well, maybe some things, but not with ERAC's line of officers. We're here to serve you until mid '94 and a great year that will be!

January dates

We'll be kicking off '94 with a "Bring-a-Friend Night" on January 10th. Round up those potentials and bring them in for a great night.

January 24th will be a Third Degree. Come, enjoy, and welcome your new Brother Master Masons.

Thanks, Carl

What a great holiday party we had at the Country Party House and the food... WOW! When you

January 1994

see Bro. Carl Scarpulla, give him your hearty thanks for making all the arrangements. Energetic and hard working new Brethren are what is going to make ERAC, a great and eventful Lodge, ride the wave. Until we meet on the level, God Bless.

Past Master's

Supper Club

President
R.: W.: Duane Manchester
Secretary
R.: W.: Robert Sanford
292-6383

By W.: Ron Morthorst

This is an open invitation to all Past Masters in our area--come out and meet your new officers--President Duane Manchester and Vice President Wayne Patterson. They have a great year in the planning.

Meeting place

We meet at the Redmen's Club at 1600 Lexington Avenue. If you are not confident about coming to our monthly meeting on your own, ask a fellow Past Master to come with you. We are very fortunate to have a group such as the Supper Club in our midst.

There is a social hour from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., and then we order dinner from the menu. The meeting is usually over about 9:00 p.m.

Join us at our next meeting on January 28th. For your personal reservation, call R.: W.: Bob Sanford at 292-6383.

Tall Cedars of Lebanon

Rochester Forest No. B3

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1822 Penfield Road
Penfield, New York 14526

Robert I. Nichols
Grand Tall Cedar



Angelo DiCataldo
Senior Deputy Grand Tall Cedar

Frank Briffa
Junior Deputy Grand Tall Cedar

Leonard A. Latta, Scribe

By Robert I. Nichols, GTC

I, your newly elected Grand Tall Cedar, would like to wish all of the Tall Cedars a prosperous New Year.

I am planning to exemplify a couple of degrees during this year, and your help is needed to accomplish this.

Future events

Plan on the Annual Sausage Roast and the Steak Roast. The full Trestleboard will be forthcoming, and I'll need your help to see that it is carried out.

Good time

A lot of fun was had by all who attended the Christmas Party. We missed those who were unable to attend.

Milkman, keep those bottles quiet! The temperature was below freezing, the streets were dark. That didn't stop Alexander Gambil, a Brooklyn milkman, from making the first delivery of milk in a glass bottle--January 11, 1878.

R..W.. Joseph J. Privitera



The Brotherhood Fund, Give and Feel Good

District Deputy Grand Master For the Second Monroe District

392-5583

This is the time of year when Lodge dues notices are mailed. In many cases, enclosed is a request for a contribution to the Brotherhood Fund. If you have not already made your donation, you are urged to do so as soon as you can.

With our declining membership (which is now beginning to reverse itself in some Lodges) the total amount of contributions to the Brotherhood Fund is also declining. As a result, with limited funds, Masonry is limited as to what it can do to support our various charities.

The Brotherhood Fund chairmen for the Monroe Districts are W.. Dave Jones and Bro. Don Bell. They have been working with the Brotherhood Fund Chairman of your Lodge trying to encourage increased participation. What is needed now is your support. Your gift, no matter how big or how small, will assist in several programs. You may also specify to which program your donation should be directed. Some of these charities are: the Masonic Medical Research

Laboratory, the Masonic Home, Camp Turk, and the Masonic Youth Organizations such as the DeMolay and Triangle.

So, get out that Brotherhood Fund envelope you received from your Lodge chairman or from Grand Lodge, put a check in it, make a designation if you wish, then put it in the mail. You will feel good and many people will benefit from your thoughtfulness.

S.O.B.E.R. BARN

Speaking about feeling good, thanks to all those Brothers who participated in raising funds for the S.O.B.E.R. Barn during the week of December 6-10 at Marketplace Mall. Now that we are warmed up for raising funds for worthy organizations, there is another project coming up. The "Have a Heart-Buy a Heart" campaign for the Ronald McDonald House will be held in February. Details about the campaign are in another section of the *Masonic Times*. Call the Master of the Lodge to participate in this activity. Get involved and feel good! □

due. Please take care of this with W.. John Foster, our Secretary. See you in Lodge. □

GERMANIA
Lodge No. 722

W.. Douglas C. Spencer, Master
723-8703

1st
Tuesday
7:30 P.M.

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

4275 Culver Rd.
Rochester, N.Y. 14622

By W.. Douglas C. Spencer
Greetings, Brothers!

Sharon and I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season.

Dinner

Our Annual Meeting in January will be preceded by a dinner at 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$2.00 per member. Our ladies will be our guests for the evening. This is our way of saying "thank you" to them for those great potluck suppers. For reservations, please call me at 723-8703. Remember, this is warm sweater night.

Widows' Luncheon

The Widows' Luncheon this year will be held on February 26th at Logan's Party House. Doors open at 11:00 a.m. Lunch will be served at noon. Tickets will be available at our January meeting, or you may call me to reserve a ticket.

Help needed

Let's remember our Brotherhood Fund. Your help is needed. Please get your donations in to Bruce Howland. Dues are also

Grand Steward

Of the Grand Lodge Of the State of New York



R..W.. Robert F. Sanford

I hope everyone had a very happy and joyous holiday season, with prospects of a great New Year.

Good times

I would like to thank the InterLodge Fellowship Committee for an outstanding schedule this past year. The Golf Tournament, Harlem Globe Trotters and the trip to Niagara Falls Festival of Lights, were all excellent.

S.O.B.E.R. Barn Project

Many thanks to all the Lodges, members and wives, that helped with the project at Marketplace Mall during the week of December 6th thru the 10th. A good job well done.

Bring a Friend

If you are planning a "Bring-a-Friend Night", and are not quite sure how to do it, please contact W.. Bruce Chilton for a "How to do" lesson, as he knows what to do and what not to do.

Ritual

Some of the Ritual work being done in some Lodges is very poor. This breeds loss of attendance and demits. You must take the time to learn the Ritual if you want to be a Lodge Officer. Our School of Masonic Education is here to help you, but if you don't attend, it does you no good. If your Lodge attendance is down due to sloppy Ritual work, get the officers together and attend the various schools. □

FAME
Lodge No. 945
CHARTERED 1917

W.. Dean F. Marsaw, Master
865-0046
2nd & 4th
Tuesdays
7:30 P.M.

Leon VanHuben, Secretary
647-9603
4275 Culver Rd.
ROCHESTER, N.Y. 14622

By W.. Dean F. Marsaw

Suggested Resolution

I will, within the length of my Cabletow, try to attend as many meetings as possible and support my Officers and Lodge to the best of my ability.

Dues

You have received your dues notice for 1994 by now. This is just a reminder so you can judge your budget accordingly, especially if you haven't paid your 1993 dues; there are a number of Brothers out there who haven't.

Please make it easy on yourself and at the same time, easy on your Lodge. Let the Lodge operate without the burden of not knowing when, and if, you are still interested in the greatest Fraternity in the world of fellowship.

Brotherhood Fund

The Brotherhood Fund is a very worthwhile charity, an opportunity for each of us to contribute, that comes around each year, and really should be considered by us as important as our yearly dues.

Please make every effort to contribute as soon as your Cabletow will allow. It will give you a good feeling.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Bro. Glen Campbell on his completion of the Degrees, and welcome to Fame Lodge.

Congratulations are also in order to Bro. Leon VanHuben on his completion of the 32° in the Scottish Rite, and surviving the Cold Sands of becoming a Shriner.

Traveling Gavel

Fame Lodge has the Traveling Gavel and would like to extend an open invitation to any of the Lodges to join us in good fellowship at any meeting, and retrieve the Gavel for your Lodge.

Please let me know at least a week before our meeting that you are planning to attend, and how many Brothers will be coming, so that I may plan refreshments for after the meeting.

Donation

I would like to thank Bro. Henry Spies for donating the Raffia and Pine Needle Masonic Emblem to our Lodge.

This was made by Henry's Mother in Florida, Mildred L. Spies, while attending an arts and crafts club.

I invite the members and visitors to our Lodge to observe this intricately made piece displayed in our Glass Showcase.

Communication

Our January 11th speaker will be R..W.. Robert Avery, Assistant D.A. A Poor Man's Dinner (Chili and crackers, with freshly baked bread) will be served prior to the meeting.

Check your smoke detectors, they save precious lives. □

Henrietta
Lodge No. 526
1863 1992

W.. Norman J. Johnstone, Master
533-1274
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 W.. Norman J. Johnstone

Programs

Brethren, our trestleboard for the Winter/Spring will make it well worth your while to attend. We have a full schedule lined up, including the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of January and February. In the past few years, we have not met on the 4th Tuesday of these months, due to the usual inclement weather, but this year we will.

January

The meeting on the 11th will

be a presentation by W.. Ted Honca.

The 25th meeting remains undecided.

Community projects

A special thanks to W.. Ted Diehl for organizing the Lodge support and having so many of our Brothers work to raise money at the Marketplace Mall for the S.O.B.E.R. Barn as part of the Masonic Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Program. Also, a special thank you to all of the Brothers who supported that effort on December 7th.

Details to follow soon

As in the past, we will again support the Have-a-Heart, Buy-a-Heart Program at the Marketplace Mall. The details have not yet been worked out as to what day we will be scheduled, but plan to save a day during the week of February 14th (St. Valentine's Day). I'll keep you informed as to the day as soon as I find out when we're scheduled.

Widow's Luncheon

This will be February 26th at noon. It is a very worthwhile project, and is entertaining, informative and excellent dinner company/fellowship to boot. Why not save the date and plan to attend, to show the widows we care? For reservations, call W.. Ted Diehl at 334-5824.

Masonic Grand Ball

The Grand Ball will be March 25th. Those of you who attended last year will remember what a wonderful evening it was and I'm sure you will want to get your tickets early. They're not out as of this writing, but I'll let you know as soon as they are.

Dues

I know most of you have already paid your dues, but those of you who haven't, won't you please pay them now while it is on your mind? We will appreciate it.

Brotherhood Fund

This is a rerun! Brethren, I know it's difficult at this time of year, especially when there are so many demands on our time and pocketbook, but won't you please take just a minute to open your checkbook and write a check payable to "Masonic Brotherhood Fund"? Even \$1.00, so that we can have a good representation of the Lodge, showing support for this very worthy fund will be significant. Our SD, Joe Cocca, is our Brotherhood Chairman. Your donations are tax deductible.

Special days/Birthdays

A special congratulations to the following Brothers who will celebrate the beginning of another year of their lives on the dates indicated below:


Jan. 1-Don Purcell and Dave William.
Jan. 9-Cole William.
Jan. 27-Joe Cocca.

Remember to give me a call at 533-1274 if you need a ride. I will arrange for it. □

Happy New Year



NORTHFIELD
Lodge
No. 426
Instituted
March 1857



W. John A. Dudley,
Master
586-6426

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

R. W. Raymond R. Beardsley,
Secretary 248-5218
17 Church Street
Pittsford, N.Y. 14534

By W. John Dudley

Retiring Brother

We have had a very busy time since my last article. It started on November 18th, when we had two major events. First, we bid farewell to Paul Utz, who has retired and moved to Illinois; his wife's home state. We presented Paul with a plaque for his dedicated service to Northfield Lodge. It was wonderful to see his close friends from the 1989 Masters Group, who came to bid him farewell. I wonder how long it will be before Paul becomes active in a Lodge, fire department, or American Legion in his new home.

DeWitt Clinton Award

On that same night, I was pleased to present Joanne VanZandt with the well deserved DeWitt Clinton Award for Community service. Joanne's activities extend from the Town of Pittsford, and the County of Monroe, to the Legislature in Albany. She has been a Cub Scout leader, 4H leader, and a PTSA Room Mother. During her time with Pittsford's Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, a successful program to improve the Erie Canal towpath in our area was completed. She was the first woman to serve as President of the County Legislature. Among her major accomplishments are major contributions to: the establishment of the Rochester Cultural District; Pure Waters control, to stop Genesee River pollution; construction of a new, modern County Jail; and the construction of the new International County Airport.

Hard work

I would like to commend two Brothers this month for their Community involvement. First, on November 7th, our SD Michael Hermann gathered 16 Lodge Brothers, families and friends, to assist the Sisters at the School of the Holy Childhood with their garage sale. Thanks to



(left to right) R. W. Joseph Privitera, Joanne VanZandt, DeWitt Clinton Award Recipient, and W. John Dudley



(left to right) R. W. Herbert Spencer, W. Richard Friedman, W. Paul Utz, recipient, W. Ronald Morthhorst and W. Terry Wihlen

all who worked on this worthwhile activity.

Thanks to Bro. Mark Craib for his work with the S.O.B.E.R. (Students of Brighton Encouraging Recovery) Barn project. He has been speaking at several Lodges about this project, and helped R. W. Larry Canfield in organizing the fund raiser at Marketplace Mall the week of December 5th.

Condolences

Our condolences go out to the family of Bro. John H. Garnham on his death. Brother Garnham lived in Dublin, Ohio. He recently celebrated his 93rd birthday. While on a trip to Columbus, I stopped in to see him and presented him with his 50 year Service Pin and Certificate.

Historic marker

Thanks to Bro. John Berggren, who is working with the Town to have an historic marker installed on our Lodge building in the Spring. It will serve to inform the public about its history.

Third Degree

I would like to thank all the Brothers who took a part in the conferring of the 3rd Degree of our newest Brother, Robert Fisher. A warm Northfield welcome, Robert!

Bring-a-Friend Night

On Thursday, January 6th, we will be having our "Brother-Bring-a-Friend Night". We will start the evening with a dinner followed by a short informational program to acquaint our guests with the Craft. Plenty of petitions

will be available for all who express an interest. By the time you receive this paper you may already have received a memory jogger to help you identify people you know who would make good Lodge members. A member of our Telephone Committee will be calling you to get the number of reservations you will need for dinner. If you do not get called by January 3rd, please call 586-6426 (John Dudley) or 436-0264 (Bill Spillane), to make your reservations.

Towpath

Lodge
No. 163

W. Raymond
J. Kneppar,
Master
H 385-4447
O 383-0410

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

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

By W. Ray Kneppar

Introduction

I apologize for the brevity of this article. I have been studying for final exams, and then spent the holidays, with my family, visiting my parents in Florida. I hope this article finds everyone in good health, and that all enjoyed their holidays.

Programs

On January 4th, 1994, there will be a regular meeting and we will have a viewing and discussion on a set of very old glass slides that were used for the Second Degree. This will be a most interesting and lively meeting, and I hope that everyone can attend.

January 18th is our DeWitt Clinton Award presentation and dinner will be served promptly at 6:30 p.m. by Rochester Chapter OES.

A First Degree is scheduled for February 1st, and, as of now, it appears as if we have two candidates. Again, dinner will be served promptly at 6:30 p.m., by Rochester Chapter OES.

On February 15th, we will have R. W. Don Brugger deliver a brief talk educating us on the Tall Cedars of Lebanon.

Brotherhood

If anyone would like rides to our meetings or home visits, please notify any officer by telephone and we will be happy to assist. Our Brotherhood Fund is growing slowly, so if you have not yet given, please do.

Thanks

Our Family Holiday Party was very well attended, as well as entertaining. I would like to extend my thanks to everyone, including R. W. William Zufall, who planned and ran the activities.

Union Star

Lodge No. 320

W.
Terrance
Hatch,
Master
582-1485

2nd
Monday
7:30 P.M.

R. W. Paul Spillane, Sec.
H 624-3877 O 624-3840
3 North Main St.
Honeoye Falls, NY 14472

By W. Terrance Hatch

At our Regular Communication scheduled for December 13th, R. W. Ted Honea spoke on the Livingston Library.

I hope everyone enjoyed their holidays, and I'd like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a safe and prosperous New Year.

Good news

I'm happy to announce that my parents are now out of the hospital!

Helping others

Our Lodge assisted Oatka Lodge on December 8th with a Third Degree, raising three new Brothers.

Our Lodge also helped with the fund raising efforts at Marketplace Mall on December 8th for the S.O.B.E.R. Barn.

Leadership Course

Please remember to register for the 2 day Leadership Training Course scheduled for January 15th at Etolian Lodge, and January 29th at Fairport Lodge. The cost is \$16.00. You will find an application form in the last two issues of the *Masonic Times*, or call Louis DiJames at 654-8348 or Bob Sanford at 292-6383. This course is very worthwhile.

The Widow's Luncheon is scheduled for February 26th.

January plans

In addition to our Regular Communication for January 10th, I'd like to plan a "Bring-a-Friend Night" for the week of

January 1994

January 17th, and will meet with the Committee.

Please highlight the following dates on your calendar:

Jan. 15-Leadership Training Session 1 at Etolian Lodge.

Jan. 29-Leadership Training Session 2 at Fairport Lodge.

Feb. 26-Widow's Luncheon

Mar. 25-Grand Ball at the Gateway on Henrietta Road.

See you in Lodge on January 10th at 7:30 p.m.!

Craftsman

Lodge No. 969

W. Thomas
W. Kondig,
Master
265-2624

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



Robert F. Ogden, Secretary
385-1422

875 Main Street East
Rochester, N.Y. 14605

By Robert Ogden, Sec.

Bring-a-Friend Night

Our Master, W. Tom Kendig, and Bro. Chuck Strickland have been working diligently on "Brother, Bring-a-Friend Night" to be held January 18th, 1994. A fine dinner will be served and a record turnout is expected. We extend our sincere thanks to W.'s Richard Friedman and Bruce Chilton for their valued assistance and advice.

S.O.B.E.R.

Our presence at the S.O.B.E.R. Barn event in Marketplace Mall is now history, but was well attended by Craftsman Lodge with a goodly number of contributors.

In the East

Bro. Bill Hook sat in the East December 21st in the absence of our Master, who took a much deserved rest.

Ladies' Night

A tentative date for Ladies' Night has been set by Bro. Chuck Strickland for March 25, 1994, in conjunction with the Grand Ball at the Gateway Banquet and Conference Center at 4853 West Henrietta Road.

Birthdays

Many happy returns to Brothers with birthdays in December: Paul Case, Tom Colombo, Jack Grover, Dick Hart, John Merrick, John Smith, Perry Sweet, and George Wyatt.

January meetings

There will be a dinner meeting on January 4th; Fellowcraft meeting on January 11th; and "Bring-a-Friend-Night" on January 18th.

The Annual Fellowcraft Dinner will be Tuesday, January 25th. Please call Jack Grover for reservations at 247-3007.

Charlotte-Corinthian

Lodge No. 1088

W. Clifford
H. Short,
Master
225-0464

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



C. William Flomming, Secretary
723-0083

4550 Lake Avenue
Rochester, New York 14812

By W. Clifford H. Short

Greetings from the East. I hope everyone had an enjoyable and safe holiday season.

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Veterans Service Committee

R.:W.: Thomas M. Paglia, Representative



To all our Veterans
We acknowledge and appreciate the sacrifice you made to keep our Country free. In our small way, we at the VA Medical Center in Canandaigua, with the staff and volunteers, are going to have a Winter Haven '94 to assist the homeless veterans and their families. This will be a first of its kind in the nation. Being homeless is always a sad situation, but during the Winter it can be a matter of life or death. If you know of anyone in this situation, please make this information known to him.

Volunteers will be needed to make this a great success and we urgently ask for your help.

Remember

Winter Haven will be in February, 1994 (specific date to be announced).

Where: War Memorial-Rochester

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

Contact: Thomas Paglia-227-2046. If no answer, please leave message on answering machine.

Roger Becker-396-3645. Chief of Volunteer Services.

Charlotte-Corinthian

Lodge No. 1088

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As we start a new year, I hope all of you can reflect on the past year and have as many good memories of family and friends as my family has experienced in the past twelve months. May we all be fortunate enough to fulfill our expectations for the coming year.

Old Business

Our annual Christmas Party was a great success. Everyone who attended had a wonderful time, especially our SW Santa. The Shrine clowns kept everyone entertained until Santa made his entrance. I found myself wondering how many children have enjoyed sitting on Santa's lap over the years. The excitement in a child's eyes at Christmas time is truly a wonder to behold. I would hope that we can all carry the warmth of this season into the new year and far beyond.

New Business

We start the New Year off of the right foot with a Table Lodge on January 4th. Stuffed Pork Chops is the main course for dinner. Reservations can be made by contacting JW Buzz Gorman at 723-1018, or Bro. Dave Rainey at 426-3862. Dinner will be \$7.00 per person, and must be made by Saturday, January 1st, 1994. Come and help us celebrate the New Year. Lodge will open at 6:00 p.m.

February 1st is the date of our First Degree. JW Buzz Gorman will be in the East. Lodge will open at 6:00 p.m. A Corned Beef Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m., and the Degree will start promptly at 7:30 p.m. Price for the dinner is \$7.00. Reservations can be made by contacting JW Buzz Gorman at 723-1018, or Bro. Dave Rainey at 426-3862. The deadline for dinner reservations is January 29th.

That's all for now. I wish all of you and your families a happy, healthy, and prosperous 1994.

See you in Lodge.

Robert VanKeuren-394-2000, ext. 3381. Winter Haven Coordinator.

Needed

Donations needed are: warm shirts, shirts, sweaters, jackets, thermal underwear, gloves, hats, shoes, boots, and socks.

These items are to be in good condition and ready to wear. While the majority of those in attendance will be men, women's and children's clothing will also be needed. Any clothing left over will be held over for the Summer Stand Down '94. For information on donating these items, call any of the above listed names. Monetary donations will be gladly accepted. Make checks payable to the VA Winter Haven Fund and send to: VAVS Canandaigua Medical Center, 400 Fort Hill Avenue, Canandaigua, NY 14424.

Food needed

If you know of any company that handles coffee, juices, fruit, pancake mixes, sausage, bacon, muffins, bread, or any item that can be used for a breakfast, please call and let us know, or have the dealer call the VA at the listed numbers above.

Programs

Some of the programs that will take place are: meals, medical, mental health, legal, social services, substance abuse recovery resources, barbers/beauticians, training and employment services, outreach, dental, showers, Chaplain services, housing, photo ID cards, and comfort kits.

A children's program will also be available.

These people need all of the help they can get; get behind this worthy cause and show them that "MASONS DO CARE".



By W.: Harold Bollotin

Ward visitation

A regular ward visitation was made on Sunday afternoon, November 14, 1993, under the direction of R.:W.: Tom Paglia, Grand Lodge Representative for Veterans Service. The following volunteers participated: R.:W.: Tom and Cora Paglia; W.: Harold and Sylvia Bollotin; W.: Courtland Young and John Dudley; and June Moon, a friend.

During our rounds we took extra time to make a special visit to patient George "Dawd" McCullough, the uncle of R.:W.: F. J. McCullough, and we had nice visit with him.

Likewise, a special visit was made to W.: Jesse Mattson, Past Master of Penfield Union Lodge. Unfortunately, he had recently suffered a stroke, so he was un-

Canandaigua VA Holiday Gift Wrap



(left) Dorothy Snodgrass (right, front to back) Sylvia Bollotin, Cora Paglia and June Moon.



(seated) Dorothy Snodgrass, Doris Robertson, Sylvia Bollotin, Cora Paglia (standing) W.: Harold Bollotin, R.:W.: Paul Robertson, June Moon and R.:W.: Tom Paglia.



W.: Harold Bollotin and R.:W.: Tom Paglia, hamming it up.

able to converse with us. We talked to him and made our presence known.

Gift Wrap session

This annual event was held on Tuesday afternoon, December 7th, in the hospital auditorium. Those attending were: R.:W.: Tom and Cora Paglia; W.: Harold and Sylvia Bollotin; R.:W.: Paul and Doris Robertson, and June Moon.

Also, we were pleased to welcome Dorothy Snodgrass, who worked with us at our table. Dorothy is the wife of W.: Loren Snodgrass, Past Master of Seneca Lodge, a patient at the hospital.

The session was enjoyable and rewarding. Together, with various other volunteer organizations, we wrapped about 3,500 gifts in 3 1/2 hours.

Volunteers needed!

The first visit for the New Year will take place on Sunday afternoon, January 9, 1994. As always, we need volunteers! Call R.:W.: Tom Paglia, who will be happy to give you information. We will

meet in the Volunteer Lounge, Building 7, at 1:30 p.m.

Please join us for breakfast, prior to the hospital visit, at the Canandaigua Masonic Temple.

Did you know?

What Masonic penalties are enforced?

The only penalties known to Freemasonry are reprimand; definite suspension from membership; indefinite suspension from membership; expulsion from the Fraternity. To these must be added that intangible penalty which comes to any one who loses all or any part of his reputation. Other penalties suggested in the ritual are wholly symbolic - are not now and never have been enforced. They were legal punishments in the middle ages, designed with special reference to the religious beliefs of the time that an incomplete body could not "rise from the dead"; that a body buried in unconsecrated ground (as between high and low water mark) could not ascend into heaven. Some Grand Lodges offer an interpretation of the ritualistic penalties, in order to be sure the initiate understands the symbolic character of these otherwise difficult phrases. (From MSA Digest "101 Questions about Freemasonry")

Freemasonry's Best Kept "Secret"

Freemasons have always proclaimed that they are not a secret society, yet out of millions of Freemasons, all over the world, only a few (approx. 4400) are aware of The Philaethes Society.

Among the original "keepers of this secret" were Harold V.B. Voorhis, Rudyard Kipling, Robert I. Clegg, Louis Black, J.Hugo Tatsch, Charles S. Plumb, Harry L. Haywood and Charles S. Hunt.

The Philaethes Society was founded on October 1, 1928, by a group of Masonic students. It was designed for Freemasons desirous of seeking and spreading Masonic light. In 1946 The Philaethes Magazine was established to publish articles by and for its members. The sole purpose of this Research Society is to act as a clearing house for Masonic knowledge. It exchanges ideas, researches problems confronting Freemasonry, and passes them along to the Masonic world.

To find out more about Freemasonry's Best Kept "Secret", write to PO Box 70, Highland Springs, VA 23075-0070. (Courtesy of Emessay Notes, November, 1993)

Amaranth Recognized

For twenty years, the Grand Court Order of the Amaranth has named the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory (MMRL) a recipient of the Royal Grand Matron charitable project. Since 1985 the Grand Court has donated in excess of \$40,000 to the Laboratory.

Thanks to this generous support, the MMRL has been able to make great strides in its basic biomedical research and provide for a better quality of life for all humankind.

In recognition of their support, Sven R. Mossberg, Director and past President, presented the Laboratorie's Humanitarian Award to the Grand Court at a testimonial dinner held in Syracuse this Past May. (Courtesy MMRL Science Update)

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Charles C. Spiegel, Jr., Editor

From the Desk of:

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



*Our Cup is
Half Full*

Attitude

1994 is now upon us, a new year which brings opportunity in our personal, professional, and Masonic lives. We are each faced with the challenge of capturing the opportunities and overcoming the barriers along the way. Attitude is my greatest ally in identifying and maximizing opportunity. A half full versus a half empty approach often can make the difference to success.

A great Class

We had a fine Class of sixteen new members at our Fall Reunion plus two Affiliates. We have the challenge of making our Spring Reunion Class 30+ (thirty plus) new members. I believe our cup is half full. Why? Because we have a successful membership program, a first class Membership Committee, hard working Ambassadors. Therefore, having done it before we will do it again. You will note the operative word is **WE!** I can and will do my part, as will the Ambassadors and Membership Committee. **YOU** are the remaining element in the equation for success. Don't expect someone else to do it, devise a plan on how to bring in at least one petition. Start with a list of five non-Scottish Rite members of your Lodge, church, workplace, as well as friends, relatives, etc. Contact each one personally and ask them to sign a petition. If they say no, ask why. Identify the barrier and discuss how they may overcome that barrier. Remember, in the cause of uniting good men into the Brotherhood of Man. **"NO, means not now.** Ask again and again and again.

Tools of the Craft

We have a number of tools to assist you in your renewal of the Craft. The Scottish Rite Office will give you literature. In February and March there will be four opportunities to invite potential new members and families to Scottish Rite programs. Use these tools in your plan. **YOU** are

the key, the equal sign to **SUCCESS** in the membership equation. Personal contact is the only way to get petitions and good Masons into the Valley. If you have read this far, you are one of the faithful and know you are needed and appreciated for your contributions to the Valley. You are one of the thirty faithful that I am counting on to help us achieve our goal of a Spring Class of 30+.

Hope to see you all at this month's meeting!

The Ill. Robert C. Pettit, 33°, Class

By Ill. Robert P. Zabel, 33°

For many years, the Valley of Rochester has combined the Fall and Spring Reunion Classes into one Class for the Scottish Rite year and named it after a Brother who has served the Fraternity well. This year (1993-94), the Valley has named the Class in honor of Ill. Robert C. Pettit, 33°. Illustrious Brother Pettit has served as an Officer of several of the Bodies and has taken part in many of the Degrees as well as directing them. He has served the Symbolic Masonry as a Grand Lodge Officer, District Deputy Grand Master, and as an Assistant Grand Lecturer. He recently retired as Executive Director of the Masonic Service Bureau. He has also been recognized by the DeMolay and received the Honorary Legion of Honor. The Valley of Rochester is proud of this fine Masonic worker.

The Ill. Robert C. Pettit, 33° Class is comprised of the 1993 Fall and 1994 Spring Reunion Classes. The new Sublime Princes and their first line signers are:

- Michael G. Batz - Robert L. Hill
- Mark K. Broyles - Joseph E. Bourcy, III
- Joseph D. Cocca - Joseph E. Bourcy, III
- Boyd A. Curtis - Paul W. Spillane
- Joseph Davidowicz - Lindy L. VanKouwenberg
- David L. Denz - Richard O. Reber
- Robert S. Folts - Donald J. McDill
- Robert W. Hummel - Ill. Myron L. Dox, 33°
- Robert P. Langfelder - Craig T. Mollon
- William E. McGregor - Joseph E. Bourcy, III
- Kenneth N. Schwartz - Ill. Larry E. Foster, 33°

Kenneth J. Skidmore - Paul A. Moore
William L. Snyder - Eugene E. Flint
George R. Springett - Richard C. Friedman
Leon J. VanHuben - Dean F. Marsaw
Eldon N. White - William A. Baldwin

We congratulate these new Sublime Princes and thank their 1st line signers for their interest in the Scottish Rite. We hope that other members will show their interest and sponsor a large 1994 Spring Reunion Class. If you would like to see your name in print, get busy and bring in those petitions. We plan to recognize new members and their 1st line signers in the Scottish Rite section of the May issue of the *Masonic Times*.

Family Life Week Program

By Jean Brugger

On November 4th, the Valley of Rochester, New York held its Family Life Week Program in Cathedral Hall. The Clowns from Damascus Temple supplied the children with balloon animals.



Frontiersman, Paul Spillman, performing at the Scottish Rite Family Life Week Program.



"Sleepy", a Shrine Clown, with friend at the Scottish Rite Family Life Week Program



Some of the attendees fixing their own Ice Cream Sundaes after the Scottish Rite Family Life Week Program.

Paul Spillman portrayed a frontiersman and thrilled the audience with his performance.

Following the program, everyone proceeded to the 3rd floor dining room to "make your own sundae" reception. There were fudge and caramel syrups, strawberries, cool whip, nuts and sprinkles to work with. Bro. Robert E. Cameron was Chairman of the event.

Hospitaler's Report

By Thomas M. Paglia, 32° MS

Hugh H. Robertson - he's up and around again, a little shaky walking, but always has a smile on his face.

Ill. Luther Ira Webster, 33° - is out of the hospital and very weak. He does not get out much and needs a lot of rest.

Mathew L. Gingold, 32° MS - is recovering from eye surgery. Glad to see he has the patch removed.

Paul W. Spillane - up and around, proud that his hair is growing back and says he feels good.

Ill. Fred Nielsen, 33° - had pneumonia. He's up and around, but has to take it easy. You can't keep a good man down.

Ill. Robert N. Forest, 33° - has had two operations, but is doing well. Nice going Robert!

Harry C. Kittredge, Jr. - now residing in a nursing home.

Ill. Larry E. Foster, 33° - has recovered from a serious bout of flu and laryngitis. Our Commanders-in-Chief are strong people.

James R. Spencer - is up and around, still a little weak and has slowed down. It won't be long before he will be his old self again.

Claude C. Hyatt - in Park Ridge Hospital undergoing tests.

Abbott Scholarships Change of Policy

By Jean Brugger

There has been a change in the rules for applying for a Scottish Rite Scholarship. You must have completed at least one year in an accredited two or four year college, university, or specialty school to apply. Preference will be given to Juniors and Seniors. The scholarships are not available to high school seniors anticipating college.

These scholarships are available to children and grandchildren of living or deceased Scottish Rite Masons. They are also available to Masonic Youth Groups, if located in the Northern Jurisdiction.

The new forms are blue in color. If you do not have one of these, please call the Scottish Rite Office, (716)-271-0715, and it will be sent to you. Completed applications must be in our office by March 1st to allow time for the Valley Committee to evaluate them.

Stage Crew

By Glenn A. Hedges

There will be a Stage Crew meeting on Sunday, March 17, 1994 at 1:00 p.m. At that time, we will discuss the upcoming Degrees for the Spring Reunion.

If there are any members who would like to be a part of the Stage Crew, please contact W. Glenn A. Hedges at 586-0238 after 5:00 p.m.

The Scottish Rite Today Southern Jurisdiction

What is the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry and why should a man who is already a Master Mason become a member?

These are legitimate questions in today's hectic world. Keeping ahead of the game is hard enough these days. It seems best to use what short time there is left after work for our friends and family.

Who needs another civic or fraternal organization? There is little enough energy to go around as it is!

These could be the thoughts of anyone, even a Mason, upon hearing about the Scottish Rite for the first time.

Yet, the Rite is well worth the time a Mason spends on it. Not only will participation in the Scottish Rite benefit his family and community, but it will also expand his intellectual and moral horizons, providing a richer, fuller life!

So what then, is the Scottish Rite and how can it work for you, your family, community and nation?

First, let's get some misconceptions out of the way. The Rite is "Scottish" in only a distant historical sense. Many Masons in Scotland fled their homeland during the political upheavals of the 17th and 18th centuries. Some settled in Southern France where the Degrees of the Rite were being evolved as a means of advancing Symbolic Lodge Freemasonry. To Masonry's Light, as acquired by every Master Mason, the new Degrees, numbering Fourth to Twenty-fifth, added more Light in the sense that they fostered new insights into Freemasonry's essential principles.

They are not truly higher or advanced Degrees in any sense other than number. Rather, they reach into Symbolic Lodge teachings to clarify and inspire. These Degrees, as part of what was called the Rite of Perfection, were formalized under the Secret Constitutions of 1761 and the Constitutions of 1762. Then they were conveyed by merchant Brethren

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By Roy E. Huff

Funeral Service

SK Robert Cook, PGC, Grand Recorder and SK Ronald J. Bertie, Grand Generalissimo, attended the funeral service for SK Warren Deck, Past Grand Commander. The Commandery Funeral Service was held on Friday, December 3rd in Schenectady, New York. Present, were over 70 Knights in uniform. Sir Knight Deck was a retired Vice President of the General Electric Co.

Visitations

On Sunday, December 5th, SK Ronald J. Bertie represented Grand Commandery at a meeting of the Grand Priory of Canada at St. Catharines, Ontario. Several Preceptories of the Grand Priory in the Province of Ontario have visited Commanderies in Zones 11 and 12. The Preceptors will be contacting the Zone 11 Officers Association to establish reciprocal meetings.

Inspections

The Annual Commandery Inspections of Zones 11 and 12 will begin in February.

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By Roy E. Huff

Meeting

The December 11th meeting was held at Etolian Lodge No. 479 in Spencerport, New York with 17 members in attendance.

By-laws

The proposed By-laws were amended and approved by those present. A copy of the amendment will be included in the next mailing so that all members may have a current copy.

Finances

Our Treasurer, Ronald J. Bertie, reported on the finances of our College and where the various funds are invested.

Names presented

The names of six prospective members were presented at the meeting and were approved.

Dinner

Following the meeting, we joined the ladies for an excellent dinner at the Pilot House Restaurant. Everyone enjoyed the evening, especially when our Acting Secretary, Larry Dunn presented many gifts to our guests.

Next meeting

Our next meeting will be March 12th at the Rochester Downtown Masonic Temple. The Order of Knight of York will be conferred on our new members

at that time. More information concerning this meeting will be forthcoming.

Happy Holidays

I hope that all of you had a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**Cyrene-Monroe
Commandery**
No. 12



Chartered in 1993
1st & 3rd
Fridays

SK Donald J. Brugger
Commander 458-6125
SK Robert H. Cook
Recorder 473-0393

Christmas Toast

The weather cooperated and the turnout at the first Annual Cyrene/Monroe Christmas Toast was spectacular. There were 52 Sir Knights and Ladies present. The program Chairman, SK and Rev. Charles Roberts, did a great job and is to be commended for his efforts. An inspiring solo, "O, Holy Night", was sung by Leslie Roberts. She was accompanied by SK Robert Cook and accompaniment for the hymns was played by SK William Kuehne. All in all, a very special night.

Eye Foundation Campaign

In the December issue of the *Masonic Times*, I spoke of the Eye Foundation Campaign kickoff. The December issue of the "Knight Templar" magazine has more information on the research being supported by the Foundation and I would certainly recommend it to you for study. In particular the statistics reported in the "New York" supplement are distressing.

I urge that each Sir Knight make every effort to contribute to this worthwhile cause. I especially ask each Sir Knight to consider a "Life Membership" contribution of \$30, even if you already have achieved that status.

January dates

Remember the 7th of January will be our Annual Meeting with a Pot Luck Supper preceding; regular meeting and inspection practice on January 21st.

Inspection

Our Annual Inspection will be on March 18th. Even though that seems a way off, it will be here before you know it. I ask that all Sir Knights of Cyrene-Monroe make every effort to attend all our Conclaves and help our Commandery give an exemplary performance.


To the Ladies

All ladies of Cyrene-Monroe Commandery are invited to join

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the 'Shicker Club'. They usually meet the 1st meeting of the month - at the same time as the men are meeting. There will be a 'Pot Luck Supper' on January 7th, prior to the Conclave. You are asked to bring a dish to pass, meat and beverage will be provided.

Doric Council
No. 19
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L. Edward Walker, Recorder
647-2382



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By Robert Zahn, III, Master

I wish each of you a very happy and prosperous New Year. Let's make 1994 a banner year for Doric Council.

Last year we voted not to have dinners in January and February, due to the uncertainty of the weather. We will continue with that policy this year.

January meeting

January 19, 1994, our meeting will feature M.E. Raymond Beardsley. He will speak on the origin of Cryptic Masonry. I urge all to attend, especially our new members. A super lunch will follow.

See you in Council.

**District Deputy
Grand
High Priest**
Royal Arch Masons
27th Capitular District



Rt. Exc. Robert L. Zahn
381-3032


I congratulate all our new High Priests on their election to this important office. No one man can do all the work that has to be done to make a Chapter successful. Please support your High Priest in all his endeavors.

Annual Convocation

The Grand Chapter will hold its Annual Convocation on March 4th and 5th, 1994, at the Turf Inn, Albany, NY. I have not received any information on room rates or costs of meals at this time, but will pass this information onto you as soon as I have it.

Linda and I wish you all a very happy New Year.

Hiram Chapter
No. 62



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By L. Edward Walker, EHP-
Elect

As this is my first article to you as High Priest elect, I solicit your help in making 1994, the 300th combined year of York Rite Masonry in Rochester and its environs, a tremendous success. In going over the membership roster of Hiram Chapter, I find that there are many Companions that I do not know, and probably who do not know me. So I shall give a brief history of my Masonic career.

Assistance needed

I was raised in John A. Robertson Lodge No. 1032 in 1968, and have served as Master in 1975, 1977 and 1982, and am currently serving as Secretary of the Lodge. I was Past Ill. Master of Doric Council No. 19, Cryptic Masons, and am currently serving as Recorder of that Council. I am SW of Genesee Council No. 51 of Allied Masonic Degrees, President of the Masonic Stamp Club, and Past President of the KAD Square Club. Currently, I am Grand Rep. of the Grand Lodge of the State of Kansas, and AGL of the 8th Cryptic District of Cryptic Masons of the State of New York. With all that behind me, I am ready to take the challenge for a successful year as High Priest of Hiram Chapter, but I will need the help and assistance of each of you. Shortly you will receive a list of committees which I have set up and I am trying to get in touch with all committee members.

Join us

For the past few weeks I have been working on my program for the ensuing year, and will include activities which I feel were successful in the past. The first meeting of the month will be a dinner meeting held in conjunction with the Brothers of Flower City Lodge. After our meeting, we shall retire to the 3rd floor dining room for light refreshments, fellowship, and card playing, for those who care to do so. After the 2nd meeting of the month, we shall have a more sophisticated lunch in the 3rd floor dining room.

Speakers

Except for Degree Nights and Official Visitations et al., we shall have featured speakers, who will talk on a variety of subjects. I hope that after every meeting you will go home with the feeling that you are glad that you attended.

Mark your calendar

The biggest event of the year will be the Celebration and Rededication Ceremony of our Chapter by the Grand Line. This shall be followed by a banquet. The date for this event is June 4, 1994. Mark your calendar for this event. Other details are not firmed up yet, but as they become known, you will be advised. The Chairman of this event is ME Hal Miller, with a distinguished Committee of RE's Raymond Beardsley, Robert Cook, E Ron Bertie, and Comp. Ronald Mertens.

With this Committee, you know it will be a tremendous success, with the co-operation of each Companion.

Royal Arch history


One of the first questions which you were asked when you became a Mason was "Whence came you and whither are you going?" In subsequent articles of the *Masonic Times*, I shall give a history of Royal Arch Masonry in Rochester.

In closing, the Officers of Hiram Chapter wish a prosperous 1994 for each of you, our Chapter and our Country.

Future meetings

- Jan. 13, 1994-Tiled Installation
- Jan. 27-Regular Business Meeting, with speaker.
- June 4, 1994-300 year celebration of York Rite Masonry.

**Grand
Assemblage**



M.S. Gerald J. Glaser
Grand Comm. 442-5825
R.S. Herbert Hirsch
Grand Recorder 266-2390

By M.S. Gerald J. Glaser

Installation

The Installation of Officers of the Grand Assemblage, Order of Judas Maccabeus, and Genesee Assemblage No. 1 O.J.M., took place at the Masonic Temple, 875 Main St. E., Rochester, NY on October 25, 1993.

The Installing Officers were M.S. Ronald J. Bertie, Grand

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Commander and M.S. Raymond Beardsley, Past Grand Commander. The Installing Marshal was R.S. Cyrus Kloner, Grand Chancellor, and the Installing Chaplain, R.S. Stanley V. Peterson, Grand Treasurer.

Grand Assemblage Officers

Officers of the Grand Assemblage for the 1993-95 term are: M.S. Gerald Glaser, Grand Commander; R.S. Cyrus Kloner, Grand Chancellor; R.S. Stanley V. Peterson, Grand Treasurer; R.S. Herbert Hirsch, Grand Recorder; M.S. Raymond Beardsley and M.S. Ronald J. Bertie, Grand Trustees; and R.S. William Kuchne, Grand Organist.

Genesee Assemblage Officers

Officers of the Genesee Assemblage No. 1 for 1993-94 are Valiant Princes: Roland St. Louis, Commander; Arnold Palmer, Chancellor; Harold Bollotin, Orator; Lawrence Dunn, Primate; R.S. Stanley V. Peterson, Treasurer; R.S. Frederick Holderle, Recorder; L. Ronald Edwards, Captain of the Guard; Boyd Curtis, Marshal; Ted Diehl, Warder; and Roy Huff, Sentinel.

By-laws

The new By-laws of the Grand Assemblage were approved on August 1, 1993. They are now in place.

Calendar

A calendar of events and other news will be appearing in this column by V.P. Roland St. Louis, Commander, starting with the February issue.

New Grand Line, Order of Judas Maccabeus



(left to right) R.S. Stanley V. Peterson, Grand Treasurer, R.S. Herbert Hirsch, Grand Recorder, M.S. Gerald J. Glaser, Grand Commander, R.S. Cyrus Kloner, Grand Chancellor, and M.S. Ronald J. Bertie, Grand Trustee.

Information

For further information regarding the Order of Judas Maccabeus, as to its origin, how to join, and its relationship to the

Degrees of Royal Arch Masonry, please contact Gerald J. Glaser, 215 Warren Avenue, Rochester, NY 14618 or call, (716)-442-5825-Home, or (716) 381-3340-Work.

Installing Team



R.S. Harold R. Miller, Grand Installing Commander, M.S. Gerald J. Glaser, Grand Commander, V.P. Roland St. Louis, Commander, Genesee Assemblage No. 1, M.S. Ronald J. Bertie, Past Grand Commander, Installing Marshal.

the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, of which there are now 40, are branches of this original root.

The Manifesto referred to several of the Degrees as Ecossais (Scottish), and the name appeared as "Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite" in the 1832 publication, in France, of the Grand Constitutions of 1786. By 1859, with the start of the administration of Grand Commander Albert Pike, the name "Scottish Rite" came into general use in the Mother Jurisdiction and elsewhere.

A former Brigadier General, Pike devoted his life after the Civil War to the expansion of the Scottish Rite. Rewritten and organized by Pike, Scottish Rite ritual became the avenue of intellectual and moral refinement for thousands of Brethren. Similarly, his leadership strengthened the administration of the Rite and allowed it to prosper.

Today, the central headquarters of the Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction, is located in the magnificent House of the Temple in Washington, D.C., only a few blocks from the White House. Here an efficient staff, headed by the Sovereign Grand Commander, administers the 42 Orientments and 221 Valleys existing across the Southern Jurisdiction. A Northern tier of 15 states was officially ceded in 1813 to what became the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, and it is now governed by the Supreme Council, 33° N.M.J.

The contemporary presence of the Scottish Rite, unlike many other institutions today, reaches far back into the past and draws its strength from origins well before the Rite's seedtime in the 18th Century. Like Symbolic Lodge Freemasonry, the Scottish Rite through its Degrees brings to modern man the insights of Ancient times. The voices of biblical and pre-biblical sages echo throughout Rite ceremonies, and New and Old Testament insights elevate our teachings. The new law of love mandated by Jesus of Nazareth is as central to our philosophy as the wisdom of King Solomon and the teachings of Plato, Pythagoras and Socrates.

From this rich blending of the best man has ever thought comes Scottish Rite Freemasonry's premier teaching - tolerance. Ours is a brotherhood without boundaries, faith without sect, patriotism without party. Ours is a unity of hearts universal, a bonding of good men becoming better through service to all humankind and the Creator.

What is the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry and why should a man who is already a Master Mason become a member?

Scottish Rite Masons are active on local, state, national, and international levels. We:

Fund scholarships for students and teachers,

Provide programs for young people and services for the aged, Assist young people to overcome language disorders,

Help crippled children to walk via such advanced medical centers as the Scottish Rite Hospitals in Atlanta and Dallas,

Support and create patriotic programs to remind Americans of our great national heritage and the importance of maintaining it,

Advocate absolute separation of Church and State as a mainstay of freedom,

Advance the American public school system as a guarantee of intellectual liberty for today and tomorrow,

Support environmental causes to sustain planet Earth for future generations,

Champion the family as the cornerstone and solid building block of our nation,

Combat substance abuse through educational programs aimed at youth and anti-drug campaigns directed to the general public.

There is not a facet of community life where Scottish Rite Masons have not had an impact for good. Local Scottish Rite members are doers and achievers. The result of their individual effort is multiplied many times over because they can enlist the willing help of their Brethren in any worthy effort.

(Excerpts taken from the *Scottish Rite Journal*, February 1991, *Southern Jurisdiction*.)

Drink! Steal! Swear and Lie!

From childhood we have been told to do this, or that, if we want to be a success in life. Too many people measure success by material things...cars, houses, money, and status symbols of life that may be hard to obtain in today's world. Do you want them? Then you must drink, steal, swear and lie. Since these are strange words for success, please read on.

Drink from the fountain of friendship and happiness. Dwell on the positive things. Ninety percent of our worries never happen anyway. Smile and offer the hand of friendship. You can make more friends in two months by listening to others than you can in two years of extolling your own virtues.

Steal some time from your day to do something for someone else, with no thought of receiving anything in return. Say those words of appreciation or sympathy and perform some acts of kindness for someone less fortunate than yourself.

Swear to find a way to do your job better. Whether it is your vocation, part time, or volunteer work, do it to the best of your ability. Not even God would ask for more.

Lie down at night and thank God for all the gifts of life that he has bestowed on you. Thank Him that you live in a free country where you worship God as you please...without fear of a knock on the door from the soldiers of the state.

Do these things and you will enjoy a success in life never thought possible...and you will exemplify the principles of Scottish Rite Freemasonry. (From the *El Paso Scottish Rite Bulletin, Orient of Texas*. Author unknown.)

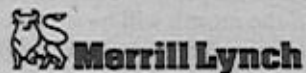
New Officers, Genesee Assemblage No. 1, Rochester, Order of Judas Maccabeus



(left to right) Lawrence Dunn, Orator, R.S. Stanley V. Peterson, Treasurer, Ted Diehl, Warder, Roland St. Louis, Commander, Boyd Curtis, Marshal, Arnold Palmer, Chancellor, Ronald Edwards, Captain of the Guard, R.S. Fred Holderle, Recorder.

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from Bordeaux, France, through the west Indies to cities on the American mainland, including Charleston, South Carolina in 1783.

When the Grand Constitutions of 1786 provided for the extension of the rite to the 33° governed in each country under a Supreme Council, the opportunity was seized by a group of 11 Brethren in Charleston, S. C. Led by Brothers John Mitchell and Frederick Dalcho, they formed the "Supreme Council of the 33° of the United States" on May 31, 1801. In a Manifesto dated December 4, 1802, these Founding Fathers confirmed the opening in Charleston of the first Supreme Council, 33°. Throughout the world, all other regular and recognized Supreme Councils of

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Commodos	90	29
Crutches	147	52
Walkers	169	35
Wheelchairs	124	61
Miscellaneous	8	5
	660	225

Societal Needs

By George Peter

Roscoe Pound, a great Masonic scholar and Dean of Harvard Law School, 1916-1936, said "Our challenge is to solve the societal needs of today". This he said in 1953.

He went on to say, "What nobler Masonic lecture could be written than one which takes up the fundamenta of social science and undertakes to spread a sound knowledge of it among all Masons." Pound was concerned about the division of society into classes who do not understand each other. There was division then. How much worse is it today? Freemasonry teaches that it is a place for the "high, the low, the rich, the poor" to meet together "on the level". If Freemasonry does not teach anything else but this, then it serves the greatest need of all time, and especially the needs of today.

We quote from an address by Bro. Veranus Moore, former Dean of the School of Veterinary Medicine at Cornell University. This is a part of what he said at the Cornerstone Laying Ceremony of the Ithaca Masonic Temple in 1926:

"As we are social by instinct and nature, the need to live a brotherly kind of life exists in the texture of our very blood, and he who lives contrary to that need will lapse into an abnormal condition in which his happiness will disappear. This seems to be one of the first laws of Brotherhood. It is no mere luxury, but a necessity of our existence. Haywood, in his volume 'The Great Teachings of Masonry' states, that 'one may describe brotherhood as the normal development of the social instincts or he may describe Brotherhood as the normal development of the social instincts or he may describe it as the more common sense adjustment of one's self to one's fellows'. Masons understand it to be a form of wisdom that is demanded by the way things really are in the world."

"They distinguish between personal friendship and Brotherhood, and recognize that our neighbors who may be antagonists, are still our Brothers. Brotherhood does not require us to like all people, but it does demand that we give them exact justice in all our dealings. Masonry therefore is a great training school in which men learn Brotherhood by practicing it toward fellow craftsmen and then, later, practicing it everywhere."

Another social need stressed by Brother Moore deals with the sins of ignorance. He said, "No man who holds truth lightly or chooses to remain in ignorance or is intolerant of others can be a true Mason."

An address by Fred P. Corson, President of Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa., was printed in the Congressional Record on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of the ratification of the United States Constitution. President Corson was talking about the stability of our government. He said: "America owes its governmental stability and her success as a democracy to her spiritual foundation. Prior to 1787 the work of laying this foundation was by the church and by the Masonic Fraternity. It was no coincidence that of the six men who produced the Constitution, at least half were members of the Craft." He cited especially the work of Freema-

sons, Washington, Franklin, Hancock and Marshall. President Thomas Masaryk once said, "Its members...have always been ardent propagators of the ideals of humanity".

We have cited but a few of the eloquent compliments given to Freemasonry by its supporters.

Freemasonry provides basic training in meeting on the level with all classes, basic training in brotherhood, and basic training in education and the need for it. It trains its votaries to be tolerant of others and their views. Finally, the Fraternity plays a vital role in stabilizing society and government. □



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Dollars and Sense

The Masonic Medical Research Laboratory (MMRL) recently was awarded its largest research grant ever from the National Institutes of Health. The four year \$1.9 million heart research grant, as with most research grants, represents restricted funding. Most major grants provide funds for a specific study, including stipends for the investigators and services needed for the study. Grants usually do not allow for the purchase of scientific equipment or provide full funds for support staff and overhead expenses.

The Directors and staff continue to look to the Fraternity, private sector and the corporate world for such complementary support.

Within the Masonic Fraternity, many donors have expressed confusion over the relationship between the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory and the Masonic Home. The Laboratory is in all respects a separate entity with its own building, administration and Board of Directors. The Laboratory received no part of the Grand Lodge dues assessment for the Masonic Home or monies donated to the Masonic Home. The MMRL does not share in any bequest or gift given to the Home.

Thanks to the generosity of a growing family of friends, our endowments have grown over the past decade. The Laboratory Endowment and Action Fund Campaign (L.E.A.F.) of several years ago helped to increase the Laboratory's endowment, but the income generated falls far short of meeting the Laboratory's needs.

Regrettably, the Masonic Fraternity's support of the Laboratory declined from 48% of our total budget ten years ago to less than 14% of our budget in 1992, a drop of 71%! This precipitous drop in Brotherhood Fund support coupled with the unavailability of grant support to some research programs has resulted



Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic Safety

Robert L. King
County Executive

Gary Proud
Traffic Safety Coordinator

December 1993

Dear Friend:

The Monroe County Office of Traffic Safety is offering a new, free safety program to all Organizations in Monroe County. The program is specifically designed to be of interest to drivers of all ages.

The program consists of a short introduction followed by a video and then a question and answer period. The primary focus is crime prevention: by avoiding dangerous situations while driving (ie. car jacking) and avoiding personal assaults (ie. mugging) in parking lots or other public places. In addition, special emphasis will be given to preventing injuries in traffic accidents and various pedestrian activities.

The presentation is approximately 30 minutes in length, but is flexible to accommodate an extended period of questions and answers on a wide range of related issues. Pamphlets, brochures and other useful items will be handed out to all those in attendance. If you wish, our office can design a presentation to fill your needs regarding time restraints and area of concentration. As mentioned earlier, the program is completely free of charge.

I would enjoy spending some time with your Organization and by the sharing of information, hopefully reducing injuries, accidents and incidents of crime.

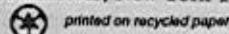
Thank you for your attention to this matter. I am looking forward to hearing from you to schedule a presentation. Please contact me at the Monroe County Office of Traffic Safety, 274-7790.

Sincerely,

Gary Proud
Traffic Safety Coordinator

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in the suspension of our Blood Substitute Program last year and in the absence of additional support may necessitate the suspension of additional research programs by the end of this calendar year!

Unrestricted donations to the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory provide the primary means for support of promising young scientists who unencumbered can pursue innovative and novel research ideas. Moreover, transitional support for established investigators to continue ongoing research projects is vital and just as important. Our scientists are committed to conquering new frontiers in the fight against disease, but your help is needed.

The MMRL appreciates gifts of all sizes, donations of cash, securities, real estate, life insurance, and bequests provide the Laboratory flexibility to meet needs not funded through grants. Such gifts help fund exploratory research, the very research which shows the most promise and are duly recognized in our annual report.

Our founding father, Raymond C. Ellis, PGM said, "Money spent on treatment will help the patient, but money spent on research will benefit humanity." Your gift to the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory will do just that by leaving a legacy of a healthier world for our children and grandchildren. For further information on making a tax deductible gift, please write the Director of Development at the Laboratory or call (315) 735-2217. (Courtesy "Science Update") □

Help Needed

By R. W. Vern Goodrich, Executive Director

Now that the holiday season is over, will your spirit of giving continue? The Masonic Service Bureau needs your help. As a charitable organization, your gifts are tax deductible. You may also designate a gift for medical equipment, such as wheelchairs, crutches, walkers, etc. For those who can not, at this time, make a significant gift, even a small one will be significant to us.

A gift of your time will also be most appreciated. We constantly need help to clean and/or repair wheelchairs and other loan equipment; envelope stuffing assistance when we do our semi-annual mailing; and many events in which your Service Bureau is partaking in our commitment to the Community. □

"If it weren't for the fact that the TV set and the refrigerator are so far apart, some of us wouldn't get any exercise at all."
Joey Adams

Why is a Master addressed as Worshipful?

Few Masonic matters are less understood by the non-Masonic public than this. The word "worchyppe" or "worchyp" is Old English and means "greatly respected". In the Wycliffe Bible "Honor thy father and mother" appears as "Worchyp thy fadir and thy modir". English and Canadian mayors are still addressed, "Your worship". In some of the Old Constitutions of Masonry is the phrase, "Every Mason shall prefer his elder and put him to worship".

"Worshipful", therefore, in modern Masonry continues an ancient meaning, "greatly respected". A Grand Master is "Most Worshipful", that is, "Most greatly respected." (From 101 Questions about Freemasonry.) □

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Lalla Rookh GROTTO News

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Michael Bell, Monarch

Monarch's Ball

A large turnout attended Lalla Rookh Grotto's Monarch's Ball recently, and were treated to an exceptionally well run "catered" affair.

Cooks and waiters were hired from a local college, where they are majoring in the food administration area.

While the cooks were busy, the waiters strolled thru the crowd with varied appetizers, consisting of a cheese tray, vegetable tray, rumaki (water chestnuts wrapped in bacon-delicious!), liver pate, shrimp platters and baked brie.

There were hot dishes, a carrot-raisin salad, broccoli rice au gratin, and much more.

The Ray Melville Trio provided enjoyable music for dancing throughout the evening.

The desserts which followed included a fruit trifle, classic trifle with sherry wine, triple seed cake, cookies, lemon bars and, of course, some brownies.

There was more dancing until everyone was completely worn out and left for home, after an excellent Monarch's Ball.

Hope you will be with us at the next one.

Patrol News

We now have "West Coast Birds", along with the usual "Snowbirds". Frank and Norraine Voegtle are out in California for a few months. We'll be holding the Annual Holiday Party after they return from their vacation, sometime in January.

Captain Frank Dean has taken a new job which is on the 4:00 p.m. to midnight shift, and has reluctantly given up the position as Captain of the Patrol. We wish him well and hope to see him at our social functions on the weekends, when he is not working.

Shirley Bishop is now in Cortland, NY, undergoing a different aspect of rehabilitation. Call Ron at 424-2646 for more information and where to send a cheery note.

Our President, Gerry Brugger, will be retiring from Rochester Telephone Co. shortly. This will give him more time for household chores, like cooking and cleaning, as his wife, Joan, is still working. GOTCHA!!

In response to the message from the Monarch in last month's news about my favorite football team--the Redskins are on a roll

and, to paraphrase that esteemed Master Mason, General Douglas MacArthur, "We shall return".

See you at drill.



Caldron News

By Dorothy Bartlett, MCO

I hope everyone had very pleasant holidays. We are into a busy new year.

January meetings

The Caldron meeting is Janu-

ary 13th, and on January 20th, the Executive Council will meet at the home of Doris Bell.

Look to the future

The Patrol meeting will be February 3rd, and the Caldron meeting on February 10th.

The Caldron will celebrate its 46th Birthday at Barnard's Party House on February 12th. Christine Eeckhout is Chairperson for this event. All members will be contacted. If you would like to attend, call Chris at 352-6087 for reservations. Cocktail hour is at 6:30 p.m., and dinner at 7:00 p.m. We hope to have a good turnout to help us celebrate our birthday and enjoy the good fellowship.

The Executive Council will meet at the home of Marcia Morrison on February 17th.

Sickness and distress

The Caldron extends its sympathy to Marcia Morrison on the loss of her husband.

Shirley Bishop is now at High Gate Manor of Cortland. Her address is:

High Gate Manor of Cortland
PO Box 5510
28 Kellogg Road
Cortland, NY 13045

Grace Jackson had a knee replacement and is undergoing therapy in Florida.

Rose and Bill Hartwig, as well as the others, would enjoy hearing from you.

We realize it is difficult for some of our members to get out, but if you are able, please come and support your Caldron. We need you.

Grotto Membership

By Ron Morthorst

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

We need your petitions now! Need a petition? No problem--just call Ron Morthorst at 334-4196 and you'll have one in the mail, as well as any assistance you may need in taking care of it.

There's still time to join and partake in the Spring Class, April 21st.

Petitions must be in before April 2nd. If you have a petition presently, and have not acted on it, call the Membership Hot Line at 334-4196.

Mail your petition to Ron Morthorst, 231 Mystic Lane, Rochester, NY 14623.

Quatuor Coronati Lodge No. 2076

By F. J. McCullough

(That's a Latin title pronounced kwah-tore koh-row-nah-tee.) It's the name of the premier Lodge of Masonic Research, located in London, England.

The Lodge was founded in 1884 by a group of 9 Brethren. The Correspondence Circle Limited was formed later, as an adjunct to the basic Lodge, to provide ways and means to communicate with serious Masonic students abroad in the world.

All founders were scholars, some highly distinguished in the field of Masonic study. The objectives were to: develop for Brethren everywhere an interest in research; encourage study in all the facets of Freemasonry; have papers read in the Lodge open to discussion and criticism; and to attract the attention and enlist the cooperation of Masonic scholars in all parts of the world.

It's a school

The Lodge has come to be regarded as the "authentic school" of Masonic students. The founders inaugurated a comprehensive library which is now

amalgamated with the United Grand Lodge of England. They also resolved to publish facsimiles and to reprint rare and valuable books, manuscripts and papers.

The name

The name was chosen because of its connection with the craft of operative stonemasons. It translates as "the four crowned ones", stonemasons who were martyred on November 8, 302 A.D. and thereafter regarded as the patron saints of stonemasons throughout Europe from about 400 to 1600 A.D.

The basic Lodge installations take place on the second Thursday in November which is the anniversary of their martyrdom.

Lodge members

One can become a member by invitation only and membership is based on one's contributions to the field of Masonic study, or being distinguished in art, literature or the sciences. Professor and Brother Wallace McLeod, of Victoria College in Toronto, is numbered among the members. Those in the Philaethes Society know him as a recent President of that body and he is the only Past Master of No. 2076 from outside the UK. The Professor has been a visitor to Rochester, NY in recent years. He came to present a

paper at the Fingerlakes Chapter of the Philaethes, when that group hosted the semi-annual international meeting in the Fall of 1992.

Correspondence Circle

members

Master Masons of all regular constitutions can become members of the QCCC Ltd. There are over 50 in the upstate NY area who are proud to hold current memberships. On joining, a Mason receives a complimentary copy of the transactions of the previous year (this covers all papers and lectures for that year). They receive a copy of each prior year's transactions annually thereafter. They are invited to participate in the discussion of papers that are read and given an opportunity to submit questions relating to Freemasonry to the editor of the transactions. Members also get the opportunity to purchase books published by the Lodge, and obtain books and regalia from catalogues that are regularly issued to them. These are reserved for members and QCCC Ltd. members only.

Be an armchair Masonic student!

Become a member of the QCCC Ltd. Add to your Masonic light without being badgered to attend another group of meetings! Contact this reporter/secretary for an application for a personal membership (initiation fee is \$15.00 to receive cloth-bound volumes of transactions, plus \$30.00 for membership dues which renew each year on November 1st; or \$12.00 initiation for paper-bound volumes along with \$25.00 dues, with these being renewable on each succeeding November 1st also). My address is: F.J. McCullough, 5t Kirkgate Dr., Spencerport, NY 14559.

You may prefer a group membership, in the name of your Lodge. The same prices prevail. The Lodge becomes a "subscriber body" and the Secretary would

act in the name of the Lodge as a group subscriber representative. You spread the cost of membership and the materials can be kept in a Lodge reading room for all to benefit from.

Using either method of membership, keep in mind the advantage of using some of the lectures and papers as presentations as part of a Lodge program on Masonry.

Order of DeMolay



Gene Knapp, MC
Rochester Chapter
Charlotte Temple
1st & 3rd Fridays

By Michael Israel, Reporter

We went bowling on December 3rd, and had a Christmas Party on December 17th.

Good stuff

The Christmas Party was fun. We had cider, cocoa, and chocolate stuff. It would have been better if more people showed up.

Bowling

Bowling was fun, and some kids tried out for the bowling league. The games were annoying, because the machines kept breaking down. Half the members had to give up on their second game, because it was taking too much time.

We Need Projects

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

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



Grand Sessions, O.E.S. Niagara Falls - 1993



(center) M. Wthy. Albert Parshall, Grand Patron and M. Wthy. Wanda V. Williams, Grand Matron, Grand Chapter O.E.S., State of New York and Companion Officers.

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District of Monroe
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By Rt. Wthy. James E. Comstock



Rt. Wthy. Faythe Rowell
District Deputy Grand Matron



Rt. Wthy. Stan Seely
District Grand Lecturer

The District Grand Officers are hard at work, planning and implementing programs for distribution to each Chapter in January. When your Worthy Matron asks for your assistance, please be willing to help.

Line Officers invited

The combined clubs will meet at Webster Masonic Temple, 30 Orchard Street, Webster, NY, on January 8th. The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m., and a luncheon will follow at 12 noon. All line officers are invited to attend this important gathering.

School of Instruction

A School of Instruction will be conducted by our District Grand Lecturer, Stan Seely, at the Fairport Masonic Temple, 86 S. Main St., Fairport, NY on Saturday, January 22nd. The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. We will break for lunch; resume, and end at 2:00 p.m. Bring a sandwich; beverage and dessert will be furnished. In addition, bring your Rituals, Constitutions and questions. Lively participation will be a benefit to all.

Grand Warder

At Grand Chapter Sessions in Niagara Falls in October 1993, Rt. Wthy. Jean B. Howlett was appointed Grand Warder of the Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, State of New York. Rt. Wthy. Jean, a graduate of Bates College, joined the Rainbow Girls in her native State of Massachusetts. She joined Henrietta Chapter No. 475 in 1958, and held several offices there before becoming Associate Conductress in 1989. She served the Chapter as Matron in 1991. Rt. Wthy. Jean has also been a tireless worker for Wanda's Peaches. Her late husband, Charles Howlett, was a member of Henrietta Lodge No. 526, and Damascus Temple.



Rt. Wthy. Jean B. Howlett, Grand Warder, Grand Chapter, O.E.S. State of New York.

Important meeting

The next meeting of Wanda's Peaches will be at the Fairport Masonic Temple on Wednesday, January 5th at 7:30 p.m. This meeting is very important. Final information on our fruit sale will be delineated. All Chapters should be represented in order for the sale to be a success District wide. We must not slack off in this Centennial Year.

Bring your friends

The Spaghetti Dinner will be served at Webster Lodge on Fri-

day, January 7th from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Please plan to attend and bring your friends and neighbors.

NOLA Chapter No. 368

Order of the Eastern Star
Rt. Wthy. Susan Huff, Matron

Rt. Wthy. Carol Wynings, Secretary
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1st & 3rd Tuesdays
8:00 p.m.

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Churchville, N. Y. 14428

By Wthy. Avis Theis

Installation

Our 1994 Installation will be held on January 4th at 7:30 p.m. This is an Open Installation and friends and members of other Chapters are cordially invited to attend. Our Wthy. Matron will be Rt. Wthy. Susan Huff and our Wthy. Patron will be Rt. Wthy. George Simon. Wthy. John Lenzi will install them and their Officers.

Because of the Holidays, we will not have a rehearsal and street attire is the order of the day.

Illness

Wthy. Mary Shakeshaft has had another eye operation. We pray the New Year will bring us all better health.

Save the date

Rt. Wthy. Susan Huff will entertain the 1994 Officers on January 29th at 12:30 p.m. All members of Nola Chapter are welcome to attend. We will hear more at our meetings.

Meetings

On January 18th, we will have a regular meeting. Officers' Club will meet on January 29th.

"Let's scatter seeds of sunshine, friendship, love and cheer, and ours will be what we all wish, a Happy, Bright New Year." □

Fidelity Triangle No. 4



Melissa DuBois
Beloved Queen

2nd & 4th Saturdays

By Linda Ferguson, Jr. Deputy

Hi everybody. Well, it's been a busy month! We initiated 3 new members: Stephanie, Kathy and Inalee Myers.

Convention

November 11th we went to the Villa Roma in the Catskills for our State Convention. Most of the girls stayed overnight at the Rhodes' house so we could get an early start in the morning. The

Order of the Eastern Star Thoughts from the Grand Matron



M. Wthy. Wanda V. Williams

Once again it was my privilege to spend the week entertaining the residents and employees of our home in Oriskany. This annual event is conducted by the Grand Line Officers and is most enjoyable for all.

Individual attention

We visit each resident individually, and care is taken to ensure that each one receives one gift that they have especially asked for, in addition to two other gifts. We also travel to Utica to greet the members who reside at the Masonic Home.

Treasured memories

The employees were entertained at a special party for them, and also a program was held for the parents of the children who attend the Day Care Center. It was my pleasure this year to entertain all of the Past Most Worthy Grand Matrons and Patrons. I shall always treasure the memory of this glorious event.

January dates

Your District Officers have planned an important meeting on January 8th, and a School of Instruction on January 22nd. Please see your Worthy Matron for details and make every effort to attend. The School of Instruction will be a benefit to all members and make Chapter meetings more enjoyable.

Thanks

My continued thanks to the "Peaches" as they continue their efforts in our behalf. Please support the Spaghetti Dinners and the Fruit Sale. □

Lynch's left very early with 3 of the girls, so that Amy could make a meeting of Junior Advisors. The remaining girls (5) went with Ken and Doreen Rhodes, and their daughter Wendy, while the luggage went with the Ferguson's in their van. The rooms at Villa Roma were very nice and almost exactly the same rooms we had last time. The food was excellent, filling, and very fattening!

Interesting speakers

The Sessions were very busy and there were many interesting guest speakers. We voted on a proposition, and were sad to hear the outgoing speech of State Director Sandy Levin. We welcomed our new State Director, Milana Pettingell and our new State Representative, Amy White, from Lockport.

The Awards Banquet was great and the Grand Master of Masons of the State of New York, M.:W.: Gary Henningsen, presented Triangle with a check. In his speech, he told us that he married a Triangle girl. The Grand Matron of the Eastern

Star of the State of New York, Mt. Wthy. Wanda Williams, pledged continued support.

Awards

Fidelity Triangle received two awards! A first place winner for our skit (Achey, Breakey Heart) and first place award for best attendance at the Convention this year!

New Officers

Beloved Queen, Melissa DuBois; Sr. Lady in Waiting Belinda Cooper; Jr. L. in W. Holly Gorell; Guardian, Tina Murphy; Chaplain, Heather Jolly; Marshal, Cynthia Lynch; Asst. Marshal, Erika Hansen; Flag Bearer, Cindy Batting; Standard Bearer, Cathy Batting; and Corresponding Secretary, Lynn Arthur.

Reception

A reception for our new State Representative, Amy White, will be held in Lockport on January 15th. PBO Laurie Ferguson will sing for Amy, and we will have a Degree to honor her.

Upcoming plans

Roller skating party (to make Dad Ferguson happy); meeting for initiation, with 3 anticipated new petitions; a major Springsurprise party, and lots, lots more.

Remember, if you know of any girl, 11 or older, who would like to be a Triangle girl, call me at 671-7369 for more information. Many thanks to all who have helped us in the past year and best wishes to all! □

By Amy Lynch, Jr. Past Jr. Advisor

This is my last small piece for the *Masonic Times* for our Beloved Queen Melissa; our Sr. Lady, Belinda Cooper, will be taking it over for me.

Cherished memories

I would just like to say thank you to all the Supervisors, Daddies, parents and all the people behind the scenes for making my two year term as Jr. Advisor such a memorable and rewarding experience. The memories are great in number and will be cherished forever.

To Fidelity Triangle

You girls are absolutely fantastic. You couldn't even begin to know how proud I am of you and how much I love you all. You are small, but growing, so keep it going, for the amount of care you girls have is immeasurable. You've made me happy when I was feeling down, whether it was a smile or a hug, which always made my day. Don't forget you are all special in your own way, but when we work together, we are a family. Becky Berndt, from Niagara River Triangle, is your new Jr. Advisor. I hope you will make her as proud as you've made me.

Family

My parents are the greatest-you've put up with my attitudes, problems, and drove me all over, including crazy. My sister Cynthia-I got to share six months of my term with you and it was fantastic. I will always remember the fun we had.

Mrs. Ferguson

I know we didn't always see eye to eye, and I did cop an attitude once in a while, but if it weren't for you taking over as Jr. Deputy, I feel Fidelity Triangle would have folded. I will always remember that first year, because I was privileged to be your Beloved Queen.

Thanks to all, including the *Masonic Times* staff.

See you all later, and thanks again! □

In Memoriam

April

White, Floyd Raymond

Floyd passed away April 9, 1993 in Ontario, NY. He was raised in 1948 in Valley-Simes Lodge No. 109, and is survived by his wife, Linda, children and grandchildren.

October

David, William H.

A member of Clio Lodge No. 779, William died October 17, 1993.

November

Johnson, Lawrence F.

Lawrence was a member of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge No. 154, a Past Commander of Monroe Commandery, and a member of Hiram Chapter No. 62, RAM. He died in Florida on November 19, 1993.

Cazeau, Francis

Francis died November 20, 1993, in Davenport, Florida, at the age of 84. He was a member of Germania Lodge No. 722 and the Valley of Rochester, A.A.S.R. He is survived by his wife, Eleanor, stepsons and their families.

December

Huse, Donald

Donald was raised in Wakan Lodge No. 1054 in 1960, and was a member of the Valley of Rochester A.A.S.R. He died in December, 1993.

Rudman, Marion K.

A life member of Mary Jane Holmes Chapter, OES, Marion passed way December 3. She is survived by two sons, Richard and Robert, 4 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

DeVisser, Adrian P.

Adrian was a member of Seneca Lodge No. 797, the Valley of Rochester, A.A.S.R., and Damascus Temple. He died December 4th at the age of 86, and is survived by his wife, Eloise, son and two granddaughters.

Dangler, Ronald G.

A member of Seneca Lodge No. 797, the Valley of Rochester, A.A.S.R., and Damascus Temple. Ronald died suddenly December 8th. He is survived by his wife, Diane, 4 children and 7 grandchildren.

Gamrod, Richard G.

Richard was a member of Eagle Lodge No. 619 in Honeoye, the Valley of Rochester, A.A.S.R., and Damascus Temple. He passed away December 15th at the age of 56. He is survived by his wife, Marilyn, children and granddaughter.

Nipe, John W.

Charlotte-Corinthian Lodge No. 1088 lost a member on December 17th when John passed away at the age of 78 years. He is survived by many family members. □

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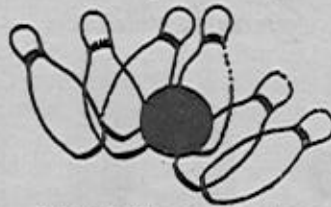
Masonic Activities Looking Ahead

To make additions, call the Service Bureau at
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1994

- Feb. 7-13 Have a Heart-Buy a Heart - Irondequoit and Marketplace Malls
- Feb. 12 Order of the High Priesthood, Western Region, at Rochester, Downtown Temple
- Feb. 26 Widow's Luncheon, Logan's Party House
- Feb. 28 School of Lodge Administration, Session 3 Downtown Temple 7:00 a.m.
- March 4-5 Grand Convocation - RAM - Albany
- Mar. 6 Interlodge Fellowship, Hockey Night
- Mar. 16-20 Shrine Circus, War Memorial
- Mar. 24 Feast of the Paschal Lamb, A.A.S.R.
- Mar. 25 Grand Ball, Gateway Inn, W. Henrietta Rd. (Note change in date)
- Mar. 26 3rd Fest, Downtown Temple
- Apr. 7-9 Scottish Rite Spring Reunion
- Apr. 23 Scottish Rite Banquet, Diplomat Party House
- May 2-3 Grand Lodge, New York City
- May 14 Town Meeting, Grand Master, Rochester, NY
- May 14 Apron Presentation and Retiring Grand Lodge Officer's Dinner
- May 21 100th Anniversary of Cornerstone Laying Renovation Lodge, Albion, NY (Grand Master in attendance) Afternoon parade, Dinner following
- Jun. 4 300 Year Celebration - RAM
- Jun. 10-12 Council of Deliberation, A.A.S.R., Syracuse, NY
- Jun. 17-19 St. John's Weekend, Utica, NY
- Jun. 18 Bus excursion to St. John's Day
- Jul. 3-23 Boy's Session at Camp Turk
- Jul. 24-Aug. 8 Girl's Sessions at Camp Turk
- Aug. 19 Scottish Rite Outing, Party House
- Oct. 6 Symbolic Lodge Awards, A.A.S.R.
- Oct. 14 Scottish Rite Ladies Night
- Nov. 3 Family Night Program, Scottish Rite
- Nov. 17-19 Scottish Rite Fall Reunion

Masonic Gothic Bowling League



John J. Flynn, Secretary
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By John J. Flynn, Secretary
As this is written, the Masonic Gothic Bowling League has already completed the first thirteen weeks of its 1993-94 season. To this point, league bowlers have already rolled thirty-four 600 series and two hundred three 200 games. In addition, Bob Clovis rolled a 269 game, which qualified him for a Senior Award for a game 75 pins over his average. Since unforeseen problems have made this the first column of the season, we have lots of scores to report. 600+ series have been rolled by Mario Mangiola-679 (268), 615, 605 (227), and 600; Tom Mulholland-671 (220,236), 660, (232, 244), 622 (229, 231), and 607 (228); Rich A. Ehrne-668 (276), 610, 601 and 600 (221); Jim McNamara-661 (226, 246), 655 (226, 222), and 606 (228); Rich Flanagan-656 (232), 649 (247, 248), 628 (247), and 624 (232); Bud Crane-641 (222), and 615 (224); Joe McNamara-638, (223), and 615 (226); John Flynn-636 (220, 225), and 614 (242); Al Kerber-628 (247); Rich Moller-621; Warham Quinlan-618; Ken

Ehrne-617 (223), and 614 (238); Ed Angora-212 (226); Rex Edwards, Jr.-608 (233), and 603, and Mike Fedele-602.

Individual game scores of note include: Mike Fedele-264 and 234; Dave Clarke-259; Joe McNamara-243 and 230; Rich Moller-243, 223, and 222; Al Kerber-240; Ralph Loiacono-236; Bob Clovis-235; Todd Krenzer-235 and 220; Tom Mulholland-233; Ken Kassel-231, 226, and 223; Rich P. Ehrne-231; Ed Angora-225 and 224; C.T. Gillens-223 and 221; Rex Edwards, Jr.-223; Rich Flanagan-222; Gerry Duell-222; Carl Martel-222; Rich A. Ehrne-222; Jim McNamara-221; Bud Crane-220; Gerry Glaser-220; John Kunz-219; and Rich Rohring-217.

All ten teams have returned from last season, so we are looking for a fun season of competition. As always, we are looking for substitute bowlers. The League bowls at Maiden Lanes on Wednesday nights at 8:30 p.m. Both Masons and non-Masons are welcome. Stop down some Wednesday night and join the fun.

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- Sat. Jan. 8
Amway Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Fri. Jan 14
R.T.O.S., Ashley Miller
8:15 p.m.
- Sat. Jan. 15
Martin Luther King
Tribute 7:00 p.m.

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Shrine Mosque
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Calendar January 1994

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 The Best Wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year from the Times Staff						1 OES - Rochester
2 Francis Hitchcock Shay- Constellation	3 John A. Robertson West Star - Varysburg OES - Irondequoit	4 Char/Corinthian - Dinner Clio Craftsman - Dinner Germania - Dinner Towpath - E. Rochester Webster Oakland - Castle Warsaw OES - Monroe, Nola-Installation, Webster	5 Olive Branch - LeRoy Attica	6 Scottish Rite Northfield - Bring-a-Friend Heperus - Bergen Constellation - Perry Flower City - Meeting & Fellowcraft Webster OES - Oatka	7 DeMolay - Rochester Chapter Cyrene-Monroe Commandery - Pot Luck Supper	8 Daughters of the Nile Fidelity Triangle LeRoy - RAM 29th District Installation
9	10 ERAC - E. Rochester Bring-a-Friend Etollan - Official Visit Fairport Union Star Wakan-Hubbard - Penfield OES - Charlotte, Mary Jane Holmes	11 Fame Henrietta Monroe - Brockport Seneca - Webster Valley Simes - Dinner Batavia Arcade Craftsman - Fellowcraft	12 Churchville Oatka - Scottsville Triluminal - Pike - 1* Webster RAM OES - Culver, Henrietta, Corinthian/Fellowship	13 Flower City - Official Visit Dinner Batavia Commandery Hiram Chapter - RAM Caldron	14	15 Leadership Training Session 1 - Etollan - Spencerport
16	17 John A. Robertson West Star - Varysburg OES - LeRoy	18 Charlotte-Corinthian Clio Craftsman - Bring-a-Friend Towpath - E. Rochester Dinner Oakland - Castle Warsaw Valley-Simes - Fellowcraft Batavia - RAM OES - Monroe, Nola, Webster	19 Olive Branch - LeRoy Attica Churchville Grotto Doric Council	20 Northfield Heperus - Bergen - 3* Dinner Constellation - Perry Webster OES - Oatka	21 Cyrene-Monroe Commandery DeMolay - Rochester Chapter	22 Genesee/Wyoming Council of Masonic Activities - Warsaw
23/30	24/31 ERAC - E. Rochester - 3* Etollan Fairport Wakan-Hubbard - Penfield Dinner Nun-Da-Wa-Ga Council - LeRoy OES - Mary Jane Holmes	25 Fame Henrietta Monroe - Brockport Batavia Arcade Clio - Spaghetti Dinner	26 Churchville Oatka Triluminal - Pike OES - Corinthian Fellowship	27 Batavia Commandery Tall Cedars of Lebanon Hiram Chapter - RAM	28	29 Leadership Training Session 1 - Fairport