



# Masonic Times

First Monroe District  
Second Monroe District  
Genesee-Wyoming District

Volume 34 No. 5 USPS 0359-540

Rochester, New York

Circulation 5534

May 1995

## M.:W.: Frank C. Staples, Grand Master 1966-68, Passes



## R.:W.: John W. Bater Appointed Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota

By R.:W.: Holden P. Miller  
R.:W.: Richard W. Bateman, Acting Grand Secretary, has informed the Genesee/Wyoming District that Grand Master Gary A. Henningsen appointed R.:W.: John W. Bater as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota near the Grand Lodge of New York.

### Masonic activity

R.:W.: John Bater was raised in February of 1967 in Hesperus Lodge No. 837, Bergen, NY. He is a member of LeRoy Chapter No. 183, Royal Arch Masons. He is currently serving as District Chairman of the Masonic Brotherhood Fund. Bro. Bater received the Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Award in 1992; served Hesperus Chapter, OES, as Patron for 9 years; and is President of the Masonic Temple Association in Bergen.

### Personal

R.:W.: Bater is widowed and has 4 children; Constance, Gary,



Sharon and Judy and 4 grandchildren. Until his retirement, R.:W.: Bater was employed for 31 years at the USDA Farmer's Association. He is a Past Director of the Empire State Soil Fertilization Association; Past Director of the Conesus Milk Cooperative Extension Committee; and State Director of the ASCS-USDA County Committee.

Bro. Bater is a member of the South Byron Methodist Church where he was a long time member of the choir. He is a Byron, NY,

Town Councilman and Deputy Supervisor; a member of the I.O.O.F., where he is Past Grand Noble; Past Governor of the Batavia Moose; Past President of the Byron Fire Dept.; current President of Byron Cemetery Committee and Past President of the Bergen Labor Coop.

R.:W.: Bater enjoys agriculture, and he assists his son-in-law in growing the largest melons in Western New York. He also enjoys woodworking and music.

### Presentation

The President of the Genesee/Wyoming Purple Apron Club graciously welcomed R.:W.: John Bater into the District Purple Apron Club.

W.: John A. Specht, of Hesperus Lodge, has announced that R.:W.: John Bater's Apron Presentation will take place during the Open Installation Ceremony of his Lodge on Sunday afternoon, June 4, 1995. A 1:00 p.m. dinner is planned.

By R.:W.: Richard W. Bateman  
One of the great pillars of the Grand Lodge of New York has gone to the Celestial Lodge above. M.:W.: Frank C. Staples died on April 2, 1995, just two months short of his 90th birthday.

Born in Brockton, Massachusetts on June 8, 1905, M.:W.: Bro. Staples attended public schools there and, upon graduation from high school, was awarded the Pette-Chase Scholarship, the highest award in the school.

In 1927 he was graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering.

On February 1, 1930, he entered the employ of American Molasses Company (Sucrest Sugar) and was plant engineer until 1935, when he was appointed Plant Manager. Elected Vice President in 1943, he was in charge of production for all the company's plants. In 1951, he was elected a Director of the Company, and in 1956 was elected

President, an office he held with great distinction for fourteen years. Thereafter he was Chairman of the Executive Committee of the company.

He was a member of the New York Coffee and Sugar Exchange; Treasurer and Director of the Sugar Association, an organization with world-wide membership; Treasurer of the Sugar Research Foundation, and Treasurer of the U.S. Sugar Cane Refiners Association. He was Trustee of the Roosevelt Savings Bank, Trustee of the Nutrition Foundation and was very active in the Community Church of Garden City.

In the Masonic world, as in the business world, M.:W.: Bro. Staples was an innovator, a tireless contributor, a skilled administrator and a natural leader. His business experience and outlook brought modern skills and direction to the Grand Lodge.

### Masonic career

Most Worshipful Brother Staples became a Free and Accepted Mason on May 14, 1930 in Charter Oak Lodge No. 249, served as Worshipful Master in 1941, after serving in all line positions. He contributed his leadership skills in various positions in the Third Manhattan District from 1942-1945. He was appointed District Deputy Grand Master in 1943-44 and elected President of the District in 1946. From 1945-49, he served on the Grand Lodge Committee for the Study of Outside Relief. In 1949 he was appointed to the Benevolence Committee and served as its Chairman, 1951-60. Bro. Staples was elected a Trustee of the Masonic Hall and Asylum Fund and served from 1960-64. He was elected Deputy Grand Master in 1964, and in 1966 Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York.

Continued on page 3

## Your Bureau, Your Community, The United Way

By R.:W.: Vernon Goodrich

### The appeal still continues

The United Way Campaign is in full swing. I ask all of you contributing to the United Way to designate your gift to the Masonic Service Bureau. ASK for the Donor Choice Contribution Information; select choice No. 3 and fill in the amount designated, and the name-The Masonic Service Bureau of Rochester, Inc. The Agency ID number is 1060. Fill in our complete name.

### Reflection

At the Feast of the Paschal Lamb, Rev. and Bro. Lawrence Lundgren spoke about a vision and a task. "A vision without a task is but a dream, A task without a vision is drudgery, A vision with a task is the hope of the world." How appropriate this is to the mission of your Masonic Service Bureau.

### The Mission

We at the Service Bureau, its Officers and Directors, have a dream-a vision! It is to spread the ideals of Masonry-Friendship, Morality and Brotherly Love. We can accomplish this through Faith, Hope and Charity. Faith in God and the moral substance in which we believe; Hope for the future with a confidence, belief and assurance that morality and Brotherly Love will prevail; and Charity to others, that the Community may truly see the good works in which we are engaged.

### The Task

It is necessary that we have a commitment of your time and money. Time, not just for Lodge, but for a way of life. Time for your God, your family, and your neighbor. It is time to recommit your time with all your heart and all

your conscience that all might have a better time.

Your money-that we might finance to assist those in need and to further develop and enhance our charitable work.

### The results

Join with us in providing the means with which your Masonic Service Bureau can look to the 21st Century with pride in the fulfillment of our dream. Catch that "feeling of goodness" that I referred to last month. Let the Community know that you are a Mason and proud of it while assisting others to achieve a better quality of life.

### True Masonic Light

Neither do men light a candle and hide it under a basket, but place it on a candlestick that it might give light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine that all may see your good works.

### The Pledge

How much will your pledge be? How much is enough? How huge is the need? Pledge today-give tomorrow.

### That Hospice "Feeling"

Don't forget, there is a large need for volunteers for the Hospice Program. More next month.

Save the Date  
Fellowship and  
Family Involvement

Spring Hurrah!  
Sea Breeze Park  
June 11, 1995

Why not pic-a-back your  
Lodge picnic with this event!

## No Copy Received at Press time, or Copy Late!

Constellation No. 404 - 3x  
Fame No. 945 - 2x  
Oakland Lodge No. 379 - 6x  
O-at-ka Lodge No. 759  
Triluminal Lodge No. 543  
"x"=No. of months missed.

The Deadline for the  
June issue is:  
May 12, 1995

If you see your Lodge name  
here, call your Master;  
whatever you like!

Welcome  
Eagle Valley  
Lodge No. 1161

Genesee/Wyoming District  
to the Masonic Times  
family of subscribers.  
They meet in Bliss, NY,  
2nd & 4th Thursdays.

## What's Inside?

Asst. Grand Lecturers	4
Bureau of Education	15
Canandaigua VA Hosp.	19
DDGM & SOs, Monroes	4
Financial Planning	3
Genesee-Wyoming Dist.	11-14
Grotto News	15
Hot Numbers	2
Legal Rights	14
Masonic Home	15
Masonic Service Bureau	2
Masonic War Vets	2
Masters & Wardens	10
Monroe Districts	4-10
OES	22,23
Past Masters Supper Club	18
Scottish Rite News	16
Tall Cedars of Lebanon	10
Women and Freemasonry	20
Youth (Monroe)	23
York Rite News	17

Dated Material

Second class postage PAID at Rochester, New York

# Editor's Corner

Don Brugger

## Policy

The time is fast approaching when a new batch of authors will be submitting articles to the *Masonic Times*. This publication is your newsletter. Sometimes, however, submitted copy is written using jargon, or phraseology that is peculiar and might lead to ambiguity or worse. If I have trouble understanding it, it is assumed others will also have the same difficulty. Sometimes articles are written in jest, satirically, or not strictly in keeping with Masonic ideology. These, too, may also be edited severely. Most of the time, fortunately, I have no trouble with submitted copy. I did, however, remove the account of a Halloween Prank that I am sure some would have been thought of as good fun, but, it was against children and I don't think that is the kind of message that we want to send to the public. Oh yes, the public reads this paper. In fact we circulate all over this country and the world. Thailand, England, Canada; you may find it anywhere. You may find it in a dentist's office, in the lounge at the Ronald McDonald House, in the Auditorium Cafe, Temple lobby or any number of places where the public can read it. I don't think that we can afford to be hypocritical or ambiguous in our message about Freemasonry.

## About advertising

We also have to be fair and honest with those who advertise with us. They pay for their space, individually. Therefore, anything that sounds like an advertisement for an individual's business, no matter how innocently entered, will also be edited out of lodge or organizational material. We will, however, publish the names of firms that support our events where applicable.

We will place block ads for Lodge fundraisers or charities, of course, as space permits. Timeliness and importance are the criteria for special announcements or ads.

## Space constraints

We always try to print all that the Master or Lodge correspondent submits. We do, however, reserve the right to edit for length if we are limited for space. Because of our paper format and the way it is printed, the length must be in units of four pages (i.e. 16, 20, 24 etc.), no single pages; this we cannot control.

If you are involved with a community service project, we will do what we can to give you additional space; these reports are always welcome because Freemasonry needs this type of exposure. Events of District-wide significance will also merit more space, when sponsored by an individual Lodge or organization. We will never, however, intentionally leave out an important message.

We will be sending our "Hints for Authors" to Lodge and organization secretaries. These should find their way into the hands of the Master or that person who will be responsible for submitting the organization's article to the *Times*. If you are such a person and don't receive one, please stop by the office and pick one up or call the Service Bureau office and request one. □

## Will the Real Richard Bateman, Please Stand Up!

By Don Brugger

Due to some unfortunate scrambling of photos, and brains, there was a "slight" miscue in the April issue of the *Masonic Times*.

We had received a bio of the Assistant Grand Secretary from the Masonic News Network along with the offer of a photo. The photo evidently was not requested because we did not have the space to print it at that time. When the time came to do the April issue, we ran 24 pages to clean up those things that had, for one reason or another, been put aside for a later issue. In scanning our computer picture files I did, however find a file picture labeled Bateman. Without double-checking, I printed out this halftone and ran it with the biography on The Assistant (acting) Grand Secretary.

As soon as the paper hit the streets, that's newspaper talk for: "available to the readers", I received a call from our Grand Custodian of the Work, Maury Solomon, possibly the only one who knew what Richard Bateman looked like. He informed me that he thought Bateman was a "much younger fellow". When I checked the archives I found, much to my chagrin, the original picture of the gentleman in the photo I had run, but his name was not Bateman and in the longer view I could see he was wearing the Grand Treasurer's Jewel. This gentleman's name was Ivan Obelensky.



R.W. Ivan Obelensky, Grand Treasurer

At this point I would guess that these two Officers have now obtained more press, another newspaper term meaning space in the newspapers, than they ever would have received had I not made this mistake.

Which teaches us this important lesson; "always check your facts" and "find out who is in the picture before you print it!"



R.W. Richard Bateman, Assistant Grand Secretary

## Again it happened

I also, with a little help from Neil Laundry, mislabeled Dave Jones as Buzz Gorman in the Chilly Chili Report; a much easier mistake to make. It appears that Buzz was obscured by a cloud of steam in the picture. Hey, they could be twins!

These things happen and I hope that when it does our readers will bring this or any other "mistakes" to my attention. □

*Masonic Service Bureau of Rochester*  
President  
R.W. William A. Baldwin  
Vice-President  
W. Gary L. Burke  
Secretary  
Betty Jansson  
Treasurer  
R.W. Robert C. Pettit

## Community Service

By R.W. Harold Bollotin  
Again, there has been no activity since the last report, as no new opportunities have arisen. A possibility for the near future is Monroe County Special Olympics, which schedule a number of events during the balance of this year. □

## Masonic Service Bureau Loan Closet

Equipment Type	On loan	Loaned YTD
Bathtub equip.	51	6
Bed (Acces.)	5	1
Canes	116	8
Commodos	116	3
Crutches	194	10
Walkers	207	9
Wheelchairs	146	13
Miscellaneous	13	3
	848	53

## Masonic Veterans Service Committee

By R.W. Thomas M. Paglia  
I have written a great deal about our volunteers who go to various VA Medical Centers in the United States, but all that I have written cannot begin to describe the feelings that a volunteer gets when making a visit. I found this poem in the Masonic Service Association of the United States booklet called, "Masons Making a Difference". It is about VA Volunteers and was written by S. Wicker Nigh, MSA.

If you have never guided the wheelchair of a patient down the hall;

## Hot Numbers

- Grand Lodge:**  
1-800-3-MASON-4
- Grand Master:**  
Gary A. Henningsen  
H 718-948-2269,  
W 718-436-6607
- Grand Marshal:**  
John W. Malfatti  
516-221-1905
- Deputy Grand Master:**  
Earle J. Hino, Jr.  
716-632-2132
- District Leader:**  
Ronald D. Mertens  
H 716-482-0994,  
W 716-263-5278
- DDGM Genesee/Wyoming:**  
Chester MacRae  
H 716-492-1257,  
FX 716-492-1966
- DDGM 1st Monroe:**  
Richard C. Friedman  
H 716-377-6175,  
W 716-271-2775,  
FX 716-271-8916
- DDGM 2nd Monroe:**  
Terry W. Wihlen  
H 716-461-1368,  
W 716-458-1880
- GDC:**  
Bruce D. Chilton  
H 716-342-0562  
W 716-388-1360  
FX 716-388-0184
- GSB:**  
D. Scott Seltzer  
H 716-473-3515  
FX 716-244-5498
- GSTW:**  
Donald Wagner  
H 716-591-2211

- GL:** Calvin G. Bond  
315-343-8942
- AGL-1st Mon.:** Eugene Brendel  
352-3574
- AGL-GW:** John Jessup  
494-2017
- AGL-2nd Mon.:** David Jones  
437-1432

## District Umbrella Coordinators

- Membership Development:**  
Arthur H. Mason III, Monroes, H 716-671-8283, W 716-454-3224  
John Cook, Genesee/Wyoming, 716-237-2427
- Membership Retention:**  
William R. Lindsay, Monroes, H 716-621-3573, W 716-621-3605  
Glenn Cramer, Genesee/Wyoming, H 535-7507
- Public Involvement and Awareness:**  
Thomas Paglia, Monroes, H 227-2046  
Sheldon Moden, Genesee/Wyoming, H 716-322-7343
- Fellowship and Family Involvement:**  
David C. Clarke, Monroes, H 716-889-9134  
Jerold Brade, Genesee/Wyoming, H 716-344-1808
- Brotherhood Fund 1st Monroe:**  
Angelo DiCataldo, H 716-461-5253, W 716-461-5540
- Brotherhood Fund 2nd Monroe:**  
David Jones, Coordinator H 716-527-8210, W 716-473-1432
- Brotherhood Fund Genesee/Wyoming:**  
John Bater, 716-353-7792

## Grand Lodge Veterans Service Committee

R.W. Thomas M. Paglia REPRESENTATIVE



Helped a man or woman who has given their country Of their love, health, their all-- If you never have sat with the ailing; Seen their pain and sensed their fear; Then you cannot share in the feelings Of the VA Volunteer.

Have you paced with the wife or husband of a Veteran And discussed the time of day? Tried diverting her or his mind for a moment As the husband or wife passed away? Have you offered a shoulder to lean on and a tissue for a tear? It's all part of the life that's lived daily By the VA Volunteer.

Sympathetically listening to memories Of a patient racked with pain: With a smile, cheerful word, and a handshake That evokes, "Please come again". If a patient has said, "Thank you kindly", It was music to the ear And the greatest payment in this world Of the VA Volunteer. If each one of us walked down those hallways With the Volunteer one day, If each one gave a thought to the Veterans And the price they've had to pay, Then our blessings we'd know to be countless, And we'd spend succeeding years Giving thanks unto God our Creator For those faithful Volunteers. □

**Are You Moving?**  
Print your NEW address below (incl. seasonal chgs.)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Clip and mail to:  
Masonic Times  
875 Main Street East  
Rochester, N. Y. 14605-2789

# 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 the *Newsweek Magazine* of 4-10-95, there was an article on an investment adviser named Lynn Hopewell and his philosophies on investing.

A client of mine called and told me about it, and said that the article sounded so much like me that he just had to send me a copy of it.

This column will summarize some of the things that he talked about in that column in case you have not read it and would like to make a comparison.

1. Keep your eyes off of the stock ticker, cancel your subscription to the *Wall Street Journal*, and ignore the market ups and downs.

2. Let a professional help you design a portfolio of mutual funds that perform well in any market.

3. Most people who do their own are prone to use the shotgun method to do their planning, which is buy it helter-skelter.

4. A professional really helps you to create the optimum design.

5. You must look at your time period for investing, your tax situation, and your risk tolerance, which will result in an asset allocation system, something like a pie chart.

6. Statistical evidence shows that asset allocation accounts for over 90% of the investment results.

7. A young person of 30 should be 100% invested in stocks, but in the proper areas and ratios, and that is where the professional comes in. As one becomes older, there should be a gradual shifting away from risk.

8. There is NO WAY to get away from some form of risk.

Finally, it has been statistically shown from past results that over 90% of market gains result from your investing in the market continuously, rather than sporadically.

not advocate the use of a separate "Chaplain" to read the prayer. The use of a "Chaplain" to read the prayer is considered by many to be "good form" and would not be considered inappropriate, but it is entirely at the discretion of the Officiant, or Master of the Lodge.

The directions state it is preferred that the service be read, rather than conducted from memory, in order to avoid slips and prompting, which might cause the audience and the bereaved family to feel uncomfortable.

Only white aprons shall be worn, without any Masonic regalia, and white gloves are optional.

Q: At the concluding Benediction of the Masonic Memorial Service, I have seen some Brethren come to the Sign of Fidelity. Is this correct?

A: The Spring, 1994 edition of the *Empire State Mason* contains an answer to this question by the Grand Lecturer. "While a benediction is not a prayer, it should be received in an 'attitude' of prayer, and thus the Sign of Fidelity should be used." Also, after the 'Amen' the Brethren should respond 'So Mote it be'.

Since the Grand Lecturer is the competent authority to impart the Ritual, his response should be accepted as the proper action to be taken, and observed accordingly.

Q: Whatever happened to the old "Poem" which used to be a part of the Memorial Service, beginning "There is no Death, That which we call Death..."? Why can't it be used in the Service?

A: Because there were so many different services being used throughout the jurisdiction, the late Grand Master Singer appointed a Committee of seven Grand Chaplains (including our own Rev. Paul Gleason, Jr.) to draft a standard service for use throughout the State. The resulting service in the Monitor was published as 'Edict' and is the only one permitted. To insert the 'poem', or any other additional material, would be most improper.

## 10 Taped Lectures by R.W. Rev. Dr. Eligius Rainer, Grand Chaplain, Now Available For Loan

By Don Brugger  
Through the efforts of Mrs. Marilyn Rainer, wife of the late R.W. Rev. Dr. Eligius G. Rainer, ten slide lectures made by the late Grand Chaplain have been put on video tape. This was a joint venture by Mrs. Rainer and WPKW Productions.

The slides were scanned and digitized, then called up while Mrs. Rainer cued in audio tapes originally recorded by Dr. Rainer.

A set of these tapes was donated to LeRoy Lodge by Mrs. Rainer and an additional set was commissioned by the Masonic Service Bureau. These video tapes will be available through the Monroe Masonic Library at \$5.00 per use per tape and may be checked out at the Service Bureau. The titles are: 1. "The Goal Of Freemasonry", 2. "The Nature of Freemasonry", 3. "The Structure of Freemasonry", 4. "The Symbols of Freemasonry", 5. "The Symbols of the First Three

Degrees in Freemasonry", 6. "Scripture Readings of the First Three Degrees of Freemasonry", 7. "Freemasonry and Religion, a Spiritual Institution", 8. "Character Building in Freemasonry", 9. "Christ in Freemasonry" and 10. "George Washington, the Mason". The tapes run from 25 to 45 minutes in length and would be an excellent program feature. For more information, call the Service Bureau Office

### Brother Rainer

You may remember that Dr. Rainer, for a time, wrote a column in the *Masonic Times* and all of the recorded lectures were presented by him at one time or another.

He was a graduate of St. Mary's College in Pennsylvania. In 1933 he was ordained a Catholic Priest in New York City. Dr. Rainer received his Doctorate in Canon Law in 1937 at Catholic University in Washington D.C. He served as Assistant Rector of Our Lady of Perpetual Help until 1945 and taught in the Seminary until 1949. He served as Assistant at St. Joseph's Church in Rochester, NY until June of 1950, when he was released from the Priesthood after which he was employed at the Division of Parole at Green Haven Prison in Pennsylvania as a teacher and Officer of Guidance Supervisor. He was later transferred to the Attica Correctional Facility.

Dr. Rainer was received in the Episcopal Church as a Clergyman in 1960 and served as Associate Rector of St. James Episcopal Church in Batavia. In 1977, while serving as Supervising Chaplain, he played a significant part in quelling the uprising of rebellious inmates at the Attica Correctional Facility where he taught Social Education.

### Masonic connections

Dr. Rainer was raised in Batavia Lodge No. 475 in 1960, serving as Chaplain from 1971-1981 and as Master in 1982. He was appointed Grand Chaplain in 1976 and named Grand Chaplain Emeritus in 1981. He was also a member of Olive Branch Lodge No. 39 in LeRoy, West Star Chapter No. 35, RAM. He was also a member of Batavia Commandery, Knights Templar and in 1982 was appointed Associate Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery, State of New York. He was also a member of the Scottish Rite in the Valley of Rochester.

**Fellowship and Family Involvement**

David C. Clarke  
1st & 2nd Monroes, 889-9134

## Spring Hurrah Just around the corner!

On June 11, 1995 the Fellowship and Family Involvement Committee presents: the "Spring Hurrah" at Sea Breeze Park. Mark your calendars for the greatest family outing of all time. For the very low price of ten dollars (Regular price \$12.50) per person, you may claim the following:

75 Fun attractions for the whole family

Quantum Loop Steel Coaster  
Log Flume

- Jack Rabbit Coaster
- Sea Dragon
- Raging Water Park
- Scenic Train Ride
- Midway of Games
- Kiddie City
- Looney Lagoon
- Barn Stormers
- Moon Bounce
- and more!

We will have our own Festive tent featuring a large charcoal grill, electric and water. Bring your own Picnic Lunch or buy your lunch on the Midway. Enjoy the cool breezes and beautiful views of Lake Ontario and Irondequoit Bay. You will have use of the full park from noon until. (Water Park opens at 11 a.m.) Free Parking!

Bring your family, your neighbor's family, anyone you can think of and join in the fellowship. Reservations for this gigantic event must be made by calling Rich Brockmann at 392-3520 no later than June 3rd. See you there-This offer cannot be repeated at these prices-Hurry! ☐

**Public Involvement and Awareness**

Thomas Paglia, Chairman  
1st & 2nd Monroes, 227-2048

By R.W. Thomas Paglia

There are many people who have never really known anything about the Masonic Fraternity, who they are, and what they do. Freemasonry is a way of life. It teaches that all men are equal on the level. That they should treat each other as they would like to be treated.

Freemasonry has a lot to offer to those who are not informed, so it is up to each and every one who is a member of the Masonic Fraternity to go out and inform people, not try to teach them. The more information non-Masons receive, the more they will know how much good the Masonic Fraternity does for the overall good of the community.

Many Masons have contributed a great deal towards making the United States of America the great nation that it is. Many have given of their lives, finances, time and energy. Their purpose was to help make America strong, so that all could enjoy the freedom that everyone takes for granted. Freedom comes with a price tag and it is a very high price tag, only those who have gone forth know the cost.

America is a great country and many Masons are in the forefront to help keep it there. So, when someone asks you who the Masons are, what they do, if are they secret, and what is their purpose, you can answer:

1. Masons have given thousands of hours at the VA Medical Centers throughout the United States taking care of the veterans who gave them their freedom.

2. The first Presidential Inauguration was Masonic.

## M.W. Staples

*Continued from page 1*

Grand Master Staples served our Fraternity in many capacities after his tenure in office. His service on the Correspondence and Relations Committee, Jurisprudence Committee and many other ex-officio positions have provided a benchmark for all to follow.

Bro. Staples is survived by his lovely wife, Dorothy, two daughters, seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

While we mourn his loss, we rejoice that we are citizens of two worlds. God, who is the Father and Master of us all awaits his coming. He has crossed the river and left us a legacy of leadership that will be remembered by all with whom he came in contact.

A Masonic Service was conducted on April 5th, as a courtesy of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, by Southern Pine Lodge No. 484. Our Grand Lodge Memorial Service will be scheduled for a day in May, and will be announced. ☐

3. A large amount of scholarships are given each year to our youth who are entering college.

4. They help raise funds for various charities such as the Ronald McDonald House.

5. Freemasonry has been around for centuries (the oldest fraternity in the world) and will continue to be around for a long time.

6. Many Congressmen were and are Masons.

7. They support the research at the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory.

8. Shriners help children at the Shrine Crippled Children's Orthopedic Hospitals, and the Burns Hospitals (all free).

9. Scottish Rite has long made Schizophrenia Research its major charitable activity and sponsors an aphasia program geared to help children with language disorders.

10. Knights Templars support an Eye Foundation.

11. Royal Arch Masons contribute to research in auditory perception disorders in children.

12. We contributed to the development of life saving and health improving advances such as antibiotics, pacemakers, and organ transplants, etc.

When someone asks you why you are PROUD to be a Mason, these are just a few of the things you can tell him. For more information, write to the Masonic Service Association and ask for their catalog of Publications and Materials. There are over 300 publications you can choose from, none take more than 15 or 20 minutes reading time. You will never run out of something to learn about Freemasonry.

The address is: The Masonic Assoc. of the US, Silver Springs, MD 20910-4785. They can be reached by calling 1-310-588-4010.

Thank you for reading this article and God Bless you all. ☐

**The Custodians Corner**




R.W. Maurice Solomon  
Chairman, 716-271-5435

Q: I have attended a number of Masonic Memorial Services recently, and I have noticed that in some cases the Officiant has allowed another Brother to act as "Chaplain" and read the prayer; in other cases the Officiant has conducted the entire service himself. Which is correct?

A: The Service, as it is designed and printed in the Monitor, does

**ARNDT FUNERAL HOME**  
*Family Owned & Operated*



**RONALD JOHN ARNDT  
ROBERT J. ARNDT  
Funeral Directors**

1118 Long Pond Road  
South of Malden Lane

225-6350

## District Deputy Grand Masters of the Monroes

R. W. Richard C. Friedman  
1st Monroe



R. W. Jerry W. Whlen  
2nd Monroe

### Renew your obligations

May has become a critical time of the year for our Craft. Our current Masters are winding up their years and, hopefully, are assisting in the transition to the new leadership of the Lodge. New Masters-Elect have either done their homework to prepare themselves to sit in the Oriental Chair, or they have not. We hope that your Lodge will demand excellence from your leadership. We can afford no less.

Your District Deputies ask you to renew your Masonic Obligations. Review them inside yourself. Say the words either orally or mentally, as you choose. When you shall have completed your devotions, ask yourself some tough questions. Are you being too easy on yourself when you do not help, aid, and assist your Lodge? Are you an active Brother in a Craft, or an observer? How can you share in spreading Masonry's "beneficent influence upon mankind" if you do not participate in the effort? Your new Master-Elect deserves your support. You have voted for him, given him the power and responsibility and he has generously donated a year of his life to moving the Lodge forward. Do not wait to be asked to help out! If you know something that you can do to assist, then VOLUNTEER your skills.

To all of which you have solemnly and sincerely promised and swore before God.

### Attend Installations

We know that the incoming Masters would love to see a good crowd at their Installations. Being Installed as Master of your Lodge is one of the most exciting events that you can go through as a Mason. This is the night where you can feel the responsibility just descend on you as you agree to the ancient agreements that all Masters have done who have gone this way before you.

### Grand Lodge

Probably by the time you read this article, we will have a new Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master and Grand Secretary. All of us in the Monroes wish M. W. Earle J. Hino, Jr., our best and pledge to him all of our support and loyalty during his term. In the

same vein, we wish R. W. Stewart C. McCloud all of the best in his new capacity as Deputy Grand Master. R. W. McCloud is a great friend to many in the Monroes, and he can count on our support and hard work. Secretaries of the Monroes beware! Our new Grand Secretary is none other than our District member, M. W. Gary A. Henningsen. We know that he will expect us to be on the ball in our administrative doings and promises that his office will do the same. So Mote It Be!

It will be a great honor for us to sit again with the Districts that we love and share in the grandeur of Grand Lodge. We remember the thrill of attending in 1989 as Masters, and we know that our 1994-95 Worshipfuls will have the same kind of awe to report to you.

### Investiture

Attention all Past Masters! Please make a special effort to be at the Joint Investiture Service on Friday, May 19, 1995 at the Downtown Temple. Our special guest will be our new M. W. Grand Master Earle J. Hino, Jr. We look forward to an excellent ceremony and a rousing speech. BE THERE to support your new Master.

### Bill Lennox Night

Thanks to the 100 Brethren and their ladies who made a true Masonic hero feel the love of the Craft when R. W. Bill Lennox was honored. As is Bill's style, his remarks began by claiming that he should be honoring his Lodge and Districts, rather than the other way around. The Grand Master did him a tremendous honor by comparing him to his own mentor, M. W. Raymond C. Ellis. Bill received the Trowel of Brotherhood from the Grand Master.

In May, let us renew our obligations, show our support to our Lodges and live out the soaring words of the Masonic ritual.

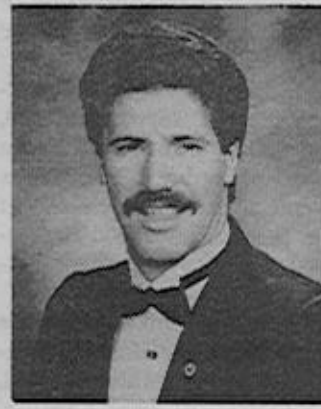
See you in the Quarries. ☐

## Masonic Medical Research Laboratory

To plan a gift or bequest contact:  
Ronald P. Kamp  
Director of Development  
Masonic Medical Research Laboratory  
2150 Bleeker Street  
Utica, NY 13501-1787  
315-735-2217  
FAX 315-735-5648

## Grand Lodge Staff Officers of the Monroes

R. W. Bruce D. Chilton  
Grand Director of Ceremonies



R. W. D. Scott Seltzer  
Grand Sword Bearer

### Nice job

To W. Dave Taber and W. Neil Laundry we offer a big pat on the back for a fine job they did with the Annual Grand Ball. The Dessert Bar was fabulous and the DeWitt Clinton Award Presentations were 1st Class.

### To the Masters

As your terms wind to a close, your Staff Officers thank you for a year of tremendous service to the Craft. Some of you will become Trustees, Chaplains, or assume Committee Chairmanships. Some, we understand, will stay in Solomon's Chair (God Bless You). Wear your Past Master's Aprons with pride. Your work has been Square and True. But, does this mean that the search for Light has ended? Look into your hearts for the answer. Many of us who traveled this road before you found an emptiness; a void. We filled, or continue to fill

it, with fellowship and an ongoing quest for further Light. Your Fraternity and your Lodge still need you. Have a safe and memorable trip to New York City.

### To the Sr. Wardens

Your "Rest in the West" is at an end. The challenge of becoming Worshipful Master awaits you. It is a challenge to be taken seriously. It must be met head on. YOU will set the tone for your term as Master. YOUR Brethren will look to YOU for guidance and leadership. YOU will be their inspiration for Masonry. YOU have the tools at your disposal to govern your Lodge effectively. The Leadership Development Course, the Trestleboard Workshops, the Bureau of Masonic Education, the Grand Lodge Officers, the 24" Gauge, and your Past Masters. Use them. Good luck and God Bless. ☐



W. Eugene Brendel  
First Monroe District



W. David Jones  
Second Monroe District

## ASSISTANT GRAND LECTURERS



By W. Eugene Brendel  
Busy times

As busy as the month of April was, the coming of May does not allow much in the way of relief for equally busy Masons. Two significant events for your AGL's occur this month, namely the Investiture Service and the 2nd School of Ritual of the year.

### Investiture Service

By now all Masters and Secretaries should have in their possession, and shared with the Brethren, information on the Investiture Service which will be performed on May 19th in the Downtown Temple. This Ceremony provides the Secrets of the Chair of Leadership in preparation for the passing of the torch from the outgoing to the incoming Masters.

### New challenges

In most Lodges, the stepping up to the Chair in the East by a new Master provides a fresh outlook and endless opportunities to revitalize and stimulate the Brethren. For those who are assuming the role again, there is the challenge of finding new ways to present to the members the benefits of our order and the beauties of the Ritual. In either case, the coming together in the Investiture offers to all Past Masters the

opportunity to demonstrate their unwavering support to the Craft and especially to the new Masters.

### Guest Speaker

Members of the Purple Club will be filling the Chairs and we fully expect that the current Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Earle J. Hino, Jr., who will be the guest speaker of the evening, will have been Elected and Installed as Grand Master. The service begins at 7:30 p.m. and will be preceded by a Stuffed Chicken Breast Dinner in the 3rd Floor Dining Room at 6:30 p.m. See your Master or Secretary for reservations.

### School of Ritual

Our second and last School of Ritual of the Spring will be hosted by ERAC Lodge on May 31st at 7:30 p.m. We will be exemplifying the Entered Apprentice Degree which will help prepare for an early start in the Fall. Seneca and Oatka Lodges have been invited to exemplify the Degree and we are asking for a good turnout in support of these Lodges.

### Thank you

Although the attendance at the April 5th School in Honeoye Falls was rather light, there were some interesting points discussed and the Brothers of Union Star Lodge were pleased to have us.

## 1st Monroe District



W. Edward  
J. Schmitt  
H 461-2915  
W 383-1195  
2nd  
Tuesday  
7:30 P.M.

R. W. Herbert Spencer, Secretary  
H 271-8577

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

By W. Edward J. Schmitt

### Another year has passed

The Lodge has survived to be handed on to the next Master. I didn't think it possible for a year to fly as quickly as this has. As I look back over my year in the East, I find a strange inventory. I see lessons that I've learned about human nature. I see a change in my expectations of others.

### We survived

Valley/Simes Lodge has survived one more year, despite the same ills that have plagued it since the merge. Grand Master Hiram did not build the Temple himself, but rather put forth plans for that edifice. It was the Craftsmen who made reality out of his dreams of beauty. He put forth the plans and they did it out of respect for the office he held and out of love of the beauty they would create and out of duty to creating something good for the Creator's use. Even though we may now be a "Speculative" Lodge, these same values should remain. If they did, then our attendance would not be the sorry indictment that it has become.

### Reflections

It is time for all of us to examine our reasons for being Master Masons. If all of the beautiful allegory that we were introduced to in our Degrees was of any substance, then we should rededicate ourselves to its principles. You have to live Lodge for yourself. Otherwise you will be disappointed.

### Thank you

Thank you Brothers for a wonderful year of learning and experience. Thank you especially to the following cadre of Brothers:

*Continued on page 5*

We extend our thanks to them for their hospitality and also thank all who volunteered to sit in for the no-shows.

### Looking ahead

Looking ahead to the Fall, we will be heading out to Webster on September 28th for Fellowcraft Degree instruction and don't forget the Grand Lecturer's Convention on October 25th.

### Congratulations

To the eleven Masters who will be invited to the Grand East in May to be presented with the Howard Potts Award, we extend our congratulations. May you march with your heads held high as you represent the pride of the Monroes. God speed and enjoy the unique experience of the Grand Lodge Convention. ☐

### For All Your Masonic Printing Needs

Programs • Invitations  
Rosters • Newsletters  
Tickets, Etc.

Orland Press, Inc.  
Printers / Copy Center

2450 Ridge Road West, Greece, NY  
225-3130

Continued from page 4

R.: W.: Herb Spencer who has been there at every turn and helped keep me on the path; W.: Gary Burke who kept me motivated; W.: Tom Belt who put on a wonderful Valentine's Day Party and filled in as Jr. Warden Protem; W.: Richard Snyder who ascends to the East after me; R.: W.: Matt Gingold, R.: W.: Harold Bollotin, W.: Glen Stahl and Bro. Mike Batz who were always there, and all of the rest of the Lodge for helping with my schooling in whatever way you did. Please help my successor in any way that you can. His needs are no less than mine were. One man does not make a Lodge! He'll appreciate your attendance and participation. Please re-examine what Masonry means to you. Again, thanks for this wonderful opportunity to serve, and I'll see you on the East bound road.

**From the West**

By W.: Richard Snyder

**Tempus fugit**

Incredible, but true! Another year of Masonry is nearing completion for Valley/Simes Lodge. Yours truly, if all goes according to plan, will in a few short weeks find myself sitting in the East as the newest Master of our Lodge, together with all the rights, privileges, and responsibility that one receives when accepting the Gavel of Authority. I ask for your acceptance, and pray for your support this coming year. I want you to know that I consider my election to the office of Master a great honor, and that I will do my utmost throughout the year to see that the Lodge receives honor, and you, the pleasure and profits thereby.

**Here I am again**

I occupied the Master's Chair once before, in 1982, while a member of Frank L. Simes Lodge No. 990. I distinctly remember that at the end of my year in office, the feeling that I had not accomplished all that I could or should have for the Lodge. Like most of the Masters of my year, and those who had occupied the Chair before me, I left the East wishing that time had gone a little slower, and that I had a few more months to serve in the East because of the knowledge I had acquired regarding Freemasonry.

Needless to say, it doesn't work this way. Sometimes that's a good thing, for both Masonry and the individual. Yet, if more time is desired, one can usually find it elsewhere in our Fraternity with further dedicated service to our Craft, or as in my circumstance, have another chance by serving as Master of the Lodge.

**Remember when**

My Brothers, I mention this because I am asking you to remember that time when you wished or felt you could or should have done more for your Lodge and Masonry. I mention this because I wish each of you to summon forth this further dedication of your service to our Craft by supporting me with guidance, and your labors in the quarries of our Lodge. I promise you my Brothers, that this can be as rewarding and satisfying as if you were the Master, because of the direct effect it will have on the Lodge's future. I fully believe that the Master merely steers while the membership directs.

**Election**

May 9th, will be the Election of Officers for the ensuing year,

1995. I hope that each of the members of our Lodge which I have had the honor of supporting and working with throughout the years, will be in attendance to support my nomination as Master.

**Installation**

On Tuesday evening, May 23rd, the elected and appointed line will be installed in an Open Installation. There will be no business. Ladies, families, and friends are invited. I am again looking forward to having everyone in attendance. Further particulars will be sent soon in your Valley/Simes newsletter.

**From the Secretary**

By R.: W.: Herbert Spencer

**Sympathy extended**

First I would like to express the Lodge's sympathy and consolation to W.: George and Helen Francis, on the recent passing of their son. We hope that they may not know of any more sorrow in their life.

**April happenings**

By the time you read this article the Lodge will have had all of its April activities. On April 11th we had a business meeting. The main focus was on the approval of Lodge funds to purchase a computer for the Secretary. It was a pleasure to welcome back snowbirds, R.: W.: Bill Dworkin and W.: Art Teamerson.

On April 25th the Lodge held its Annual Awards Night as well as the Presentation of the Purple Apron to R.: W.: Harold Bollotin. As of this writing, I cannot report on the outcome. I do know that many Brothers from outside the Lodge have promised to come out to help celebrate his Appointment including all of the Grand Lodge Officers of the Monroes.

**Awards**

I have heard from many of the Brothers who have sent regrets about not being able to be present to receive their Awards, for various reasons. They are Earl Attridge, Alfred Church, Larry McConnell, Wayne Heinkel, Ralph Christ, Bernard Cater, Harvey Anderson, Myron Biggar, Roland Butler, Bennet Taylor and Stanley Kostacki.

As yet, I did not hear from Allen Bailey, William Cimino, Robert Foreman, Marvin Johnson, Jessie Mickelson, Robert Schicker, Solomon Greenstein and Robert Pease.

Brothers, forgive the absence of Masonic titles, but I am sure we all know them. Brethren, let us hear from you. We do hope you are well. For the Brothers who were not with us for Awards Night, we will get your Awards to you.

**Snowbirds are back**

Snowbirds, come to Lodge and be received. I had a letter from Bro. Alfred Church, he is 94 years young and doing well. He informed us that he just married on March 25th. If you wish to write to Bro. Church, his address is No. 414, 801 S. Federal Highway, Pompano Beach, FL 33062.

**The month of May**

On May 9th our meeting will focus on the Election of Officers and the Master's Report on Grand Lodge proceedings. My Brothers, your Lodge needs you to come out and help us go forward. Whether you sit on the sidelines or in an Officer's Chair, we need your attendance at meetings as well as activities. If you need a ride, let us know and you

will get it. I would like the pleasure of greeting you on the level. Our Master-Elect, W.: Richard Snyder, has many exciting programs planned for the Lodge. It's up to all of us to come out and support his activities.


May 23rd will be the Installation of Officers. It will be open to all the Brethren and their families and friends. Come out and see Masonry in action. You will receive further information shortly. Please read all of these communications thoroughly and carefully. If you have a gripe, let us know about it, but we would like to hear good things too.

**Past Master**

The Past Masters of Valley/Simes Lodge met on April 4th for dinner and a meeting at the 40 & 8 Club. Highlights were: we had 21 Past Masters in attendance, we donated \$70.00 to the Philanthropic Fund, and had the pleasure of hearing from our next Master, W.: Richard Snyder on his plans for the Lodge. It was even a greater pleasure to welcome W.: Robert Hummel into our midst for his 1st Masonic outing in a very long time. Welcome back, Bob.

Don't forget, if you need a ride, let us know. Don't forget to pay your dues, we still have about 25% who have not paid yet. □

**MONROE**  
Lodge No. 173



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

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

Roy D. Goold, Secretary  
637-6419  
67 Main Street  
Brockport, N.Y. 14420

**By W.: Neil Laundry**

The 1994-95 Lodge year has certainly passed quickly. The Lodge has, for most of the year, been without the guidance and leadership of W.: Steve Harris. Since Autumn, Steve has been out of town on job related tasks for all but two weeks time. We sure hope that he gets a break in the action soon. He is sorely missed.

**A good year**

Never-the-less, we have had a very productive year. We've raised a new Brother, have another petition under investigation, and have affiliated two additional Brothers. Congratulations to our new members on their acceptance into Monroe Lodge. A warm welcome to Brothers Mike Flavin, John Brugger and Keith Denton.

**Bicycle Parade**

Last Summer we held our 1st Bicycle Parade in conjunction with the Brockport Merchants "Sidewalk Sale". Officer Mark Ricci, SUNY Brockport Public Safety Dept., joined us in staffing the Bicycle Inspection Station. Several of our members worked as consultants and station leaders as the Lodge teamed up with the Brockport Neighborhood Watch, SUNY Brockport Public Safety, and the Brockport Police Dept. in sponsoring a Community Bicycle Safety Rodeo. W.: Steve Harris and SW Neil Laundry also helped out with the Masters and Wardens Child ID Program at the July Monroe County Fair.

**Dinners**

During the Fall, the Lodge hosted several dinners including three in a two week period. One of those was for the Cobblestone Society whose speaker for the evening presented a talk on the "Morgan Affair". Winter activities included another successful Red Cross Blood Drive and a delicious Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner for a most appreciative group of Masters and Wardens and their ladies.

**Bring-a-Friend**

One of our final activities for the Lodge year was a Brother "Bring-a-Friend" Night. As of this writing, we hope to attract several petitioners through this great introduction to Masonry. (Thanks to Bro. Ron Magargee for his encouragement and sharing which have helped build a renewed interest in membership in our Lodge.)

**Finances**

Our finances are pretty much in order. Most Brothers have already paid this year's dues. If you have overlooked this, please help us to reach 100%. If you haven't had an opportunity to send your donation to the Brotherhood Fund, now is the time to contact chairman, W.: Mel Doverspike. We only have a few days remaining in the current Campaign. The amount is not as important as your participation. Please support your Lodge's contribution to this most important Masonic Charity.

**Officers**

Our 1995 line of Officers is nearly complete. The Annual Meeting for the Election of Officers will be held on May 9th. On May 23rd will be the Installation of Officers.

**Sadness**

In the past month, we have had another Brother called by the Great Architect. Our hearts go out to the family of W.: Vern Johnson. He will be greatly missed, both in his Lodge and in his community.

**Grand Lodge**

Next month we will include info on Grand Lodge doings and a detailed description of the plans for the June Awards Program. Also, stay tuned for the 1995-96 Lodge Trestleboard and Calendar.

God Bless you and yours, take care and keep in touch. □



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

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

By W.: Robert Franzen  
This may be the last Masonic Times article that I write. Though my plans were to continue on as Master for the ensuing year, cir-

**VERNON L. GOODRICH CPA**

Corporate Consulting Personal  
Financial Planning Services  
Accounting and Taxes

31 Hillrise Dr.  
Penfield, N.Y. 14526

(716) 377-0367

5  
cumstances may make that impossible. If I cannot continue, W.: Bob Green has graciously agreed to assume those responsibilities if the Lodge so wills it.

This would be an excellent opportunity for some other Past Master or Past Warden to step forward if they so desire. Our team is starting to gel and younger Past Masters are getting involved. This ensuing year will be another year of hard work, but it will be one in which we actually start moving ahead for Seneca's future. I thank all those who worked with me this year. Although we did not achieve all our goals, we did lay some ground work. It has been an experience in my life I will never forget.

**Options Committee**

The new Master will be appointing an Options Committee in May or June to report back to the Lodge by May of '96 with a recommendation as to what course Seneca should take in the future. Whatever the decision, it must be acted upon immediately. We have waited too long already to make this decision.

Worshipful Brother Foster's recommendations were not acted upon. We cannot avoid our future. We must be realistic and do what needs to be done to insure that Masonry survives. We cannot deny the fact that we have an aging Lodge. We must accept the fact that our mix of members has changed. Seneca is changing, let's be strong enough to make the right decisions.

**Leaving**

W.: Larry Foster will be leaving us, as soon as he has accepted a new position within the company, that will take him Westward. He has recovered from recent surgery on his leg. Although Larry will be resigning as a Trustee, he will remain a member of the Lodge. He will be missed by us and the Scottish Rite. Best of luck to you, Larry.

**Calendar**

Please don't forget that our May 9th meeting is our Annual Meeting and Election and Installation of Officers. This is your opportunity to speak. May 23rd will be an open Bring-a-Friend Night. We will have at least 2 prospective members there. Please let's get more and have a good showing. June 13th will be Awards Night. Please bring your families and friends.

**Brotherhood**

If you haven't joined in our effort to make our goal, please do so now. We are only 23 Brothers away from it. \$23.00 is all that we need, a dollar from 23 Brothers. Please do not delay any longer.

Have you written or called a Brother today? □

**Dreier-Giltner**  
**Funeral Home**  
**Inc.**

Established 1833  
Dignity, Sympathy, Understanding

Edward H. Dreier  
Alan E. Giltner  
Prearranged & Prepaid  
Services Available

1717 Portland Ave 342-8500

**Wakan-Hubbard****Lodge No. 154**

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

W. Theodore J. Snyder,  
Secretary  
467-0165  
1822 Penfield Rd.  
Penfield, N.Y. 14528

By W. John Zabel

**The end is in sight**

My term as your Worshipful Master is rapidly coming to an end. The year has passed quickly. As you read this, I will either be on my way to Grand Lodge or already there. I am proud to be your representative.

**April doings**

Enough of that. April was an exciting month. We started with a talk by R. W. Ted Honea giving us his views and thoughts on the Bible verses used in the three Degrees of Masonry. His talk was powerful and, to some, thought provoking. We also heard a short description of the 90th Anniversary Celebration of Penfield Union Lodge, constituted on October 31, 1939. We ended April with the Worshipful Master conferring the 3rd Degree on two new Brothers.

**May**

May brings our Annual Meeting and the Election of Officers. You should have received your Summons for this meeting. Our Junior Warden has a great Ladies Night planned for May 13th. As part of the celebration, we can go to the start of the Lilac Festival. Everyone should receive reservation and cost information well in advance. We will end May with the presentation of Long Service Awards to several Brethren. Plan now to attend these May functions.

**Send cards or call**

We should always remember our Brethren who are shut in or otherwise under the weather. Bro. Will Mengle is now in the Park Ridge Nursing Home and doing well. He would like visitors. W. Jay Painton is back in the hospital and W. John Rees has been slightly ill. A card, phone call or a visit would be appreciated.

**Happy note**

Lastly, we wish a Happy Birthday to Bro. Roy Connelly on his 90th Birthday on April 30th! Bro. Connelly now resides in St. John's Home on Highland Avenue.

**DAVID G. CROMWELL****REALTOR****37 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE**

REALTOR  
Mason  
since 1967



OFFICE: 244-9880  
HOME: 244-2723

Dear Brother Mason:

I would like to have the privilege to serve you in your Real Estate needs. There is no obligation to just call and ask questions.

Thank you,  
Brother David G. Cromwell

**New and Views**

By Don Bell

**Sickness and distress**

It was good to see Bro. Tom Hueston back in Lodge after a bout with a sinus infection. W. Frank Denton, DSA is back in Lodge, but faces another operation shortly. Bro. Jim Willis is having difficulty with his legs and also sometimes loses his voice.

**Brothers about**

Bro. Elmer Verdun and his wife, Charlotte, are now living in Orlando, FL. Their hobby is square dancing, which they started doing in the late 60's. They also do some volunteering and socializing.

Bro. Donald Richard writes that he and his wife, Marion, spend the month of March in Florida. He plays golf twice a week and she volunteers at General Hospital.

Bro. Sanford Levy and his wife, Florence, are living permanently in Bonita Springs, FL. They enjoy playing golf.

**Ladies Night**

Our Ladies Night will be on May 13th at the Beahan Road Party House. Social hour will be at 6:00 p.m., dinner at 7:00 p.m. Brunch will be on Sunday morning at our Lodge. Come and enjoy the evening and congratulate the DeWitt Clinton Award recipient.

**WEBSTER****Lodge No. 538**

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

W. Stolan Eilla, Secretary  
671-3296  
Webster Temple  
30 Orchard St.  
Webster, N.Y. 14580

**Thanks for the memories**

This is it, the next article will be from W. Paul Sobtzyk. How does that sound, Paul? It has been a fun year and I am glad I had the opportunity to serve as Master of Webster Lodge. My wife is looking forward to the phone not ringing as much, especially on meeting nights.

**Sickness and distress**

If any one knows of a Brother that is in need, please let R. W. Don McTarnaghan or myself know. Please take a moment to remember the passing of two of our Brothers; David L. Bane, raised December 1, 1927, died January 30, 1995 and Howard Close, raised December 1, 1960, died February 12, 1995. Our sympathies to the families.

1. Multiple listings brought to your home or apartment.
2. Free estimates of the sales value of your present home.
3. Written real estate appraisals for every need.
4. Confidential mortgage advice.
5. Specialist in working with first time home buyers.
6. Residential - Commercial - Investment Properties - Industrial - New Homes
7. Access to computer listing information.

**Long Service Awards**

Grand Lodge Service Awards were presented to: Hartley Schutt, raised 11/14/40, Claude Wright, raised 12/5/40, Clarence Stappenbeck raised 4/5/45 and Charles Deering raised 12/6/45. Take time to congratulate these Brothers. Their years of dedicated service is what makes this great Fraternal Organization.

**Lunches**

On the first and third Tuesdays of each month a few of us meet at the Lodge for lunch. All are invited and the cost is low. The only purpose for this gathering is fellowship. Come and join us. If you want to hang around long enough to play cards, that is all right too. May will be the last month for these get-togethers until Fall.

**May 18th meeting**

Two important events will occur on this evening. Webster Lodge will be presenting the General Douglas MacArthur Youth Award to Bruce LePlant. This award is presented by Grand Lodge to individuals who exhibit exemplary service to the youth of the State of New York. In addition a Long Service Award (70 years) will be presented to Linn Bowman. Linn was raised on 10/24/25. Northfield Lodge will be joining us for the evening of festivities. This is also "Move Up Night" with your new line Officers in their places and stations. We will be having a dinner prior to the meeting, so please call Brother Bill Edwards for reservations (872-3993).

Remember the Fellowcraft meetings the second Thursday of each month. Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

**Birthdays**

Congratulations to the following Brothers, who will celebrate their Birthdays in May: Clinton Ballard, Stanley Boyd, John Braman, Gregory Brown, Duane Crumb, Joseph DeFlorio, Frederick Dorwald, William Edwards, Richard Friedman, George Gleason, Charlton Grant, Jr., Joseph Hay, Elmer Kober, Lauris Long, Hugh Mason, Keith Oelkers, L. Warren Patterson, Burton Payne, Paul Pallett, Hugh Richards, John Risk, Andrew Reuby, Bernard Russell, Richard Swingly and Donald Warren.

**Schedule**

Don't forget the important dates that are mentioned in the above article. Especially our May 18th presentation and dinner. □

**Spaghetti Dinner****Friday****May 5, 1995****5:00 p.m.-7:00p.m.****Adults \$5.00****Children \$2.50**

**Webster Lodge**  
**30 Orchard Street**  
**Webster, NY**

**BROTHERHOOD****55****MINIMUM****Webster Lodge Presents DeWitt Clinton Award Posthumously to Shirley S. Miller**

Joyce Hollander receiving the DeWitt Clinton Award posthumously given to Shirley Miller from W. John Clapp.

By W. John Clapp

The DeWitt Clinton Award is presented by local Masons to an individual or group who has made a positive impact on the local community. Shirley's work exemplified a shared concern for the well being of mankind and a belief in the worldwide Brotherhood of Man. Shirley S. Miller was the Social Worker for the Webster Community Chest for the past 30 years, beginning in 1964.

She was involved in Human Services for most of her life. Prior to her part time employment with the Chest she was involved in Subscriber Services with Blue Cross/Blue Shield and as a Case Worker with the Monroe County Department of Social Services. She raised one son (a Clarkson University graduate who now lives in the Baltimore, MD area) and has 2 granddaughters.

Shirley was a former member of the Orchid Society and was a 19 year member of the Country Gardeners Garden Club. Besides gardening, she enjoyed sewing, reading, and did some landscape gardening. In 1992, Shirley was a candidate for the Webster Herald's Webster Citizen of the Year Award.

As a Social Worker for the Webster Community Chest, she was responsible for many thousands of personal contacts with people in the Webster area who have been in need of the services of the Webster Community Chest.

Accepting on behalf of Shirley was Mrs. Joyce Hollander, current President of the Webster Community Chest. The Award will hang in the Town Hall where all, for years to come, can come to appreciate Shirley's concern for the Community. □

**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

This month's meeting on May 11th will close out another year in the East for me as we elect the Master for the coming year.

Our Senior Warden, W. R. Adrian Solomon, should be elected to carry out the Master's duties and to serve the Lodge and YOU as faithfully as he has in the past.

**Changes**

We will also be voting on the proposed changes to our By-Laws, that of going to "Two meetings a month". Please make every effort to attend Lodge that evening for these two very important events, which will be chaired by W. Herbert Hirsch in the East.

**Short report!**

R. W. Maurice Solomon will also report on the Grand Lodge Sessions held the first week in May. Don't let this keep you away from Lodge that evening. He has promised "Short form".

**Feelings**

It has been my pleasure to serve you as your Master for the last year. I hope you have been

happy with the programs presented and the social functions we have held. The following poem (attributed to Past Grand Master of Ohio, M. W. H. Ray Evans) expresses my feelings.

**My Coffee Saucer**

I ain't never made a fortune  
And it's probably too late now,  
I ain't worried about that though,  
I'm happy anyhow.  
As I go along life's journey  
I'm reaping better than I've sowed  
I'm drinking from my saucer  
Cause my cup has overflowed.

Oh, I ain't got a lot of riches  
Sometimes the going's tough,  
But I got a little grandson who  
loves me  
And makes me rich enough.  
I thank God for all his blessings  
And the mercies He's bestowed.  
I'm drinking from my saucer  
Cause my cup has overflowed.

Oh, sometimes things get a little  
tough  
And my faith grows a little bit  
thin  
But all at once the dark clouds  
move away  
And the sun peeks through again.  
So, Lord help me never to brag  
About the tough road I've hoed,  
I'm drinking from my saucer  
Cause my cup has overflowed.

And if God gives me the courage  
When the road gets steep and  
rough  
I won't ask for any more blessings  
Cause I've been blessed enough.  
And I hope I never get too busy  
To help another share his load  
Then I'll keep drinking from my  
saucer  
Cause my cup has overflowed.

See you in Lodge. Shalom. □

# FAIRPORT

Lodge No. 476



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

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

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

By W. David W. Taber  
**Election of Officers**

You should have been summoned to the Annual Election of Officers on May 8th. Come anyway and support the new line. Anyone interested in being an officer or committee member should contact SW Bob Slominski. His business and daytime phone no. is 872-4420. The Master will make a succinct report of events at Grand Lodge.

**Officers' meeting**

The Lodge will be dark on May 22nd. Usually this day would fall on Memorial Day. This year it does not. The Master-Elect would like to have his first officers' meeting on this date at 7:30 p.m. Plans will need to be finalized for our booth at Fairport's Canal Days to be held on June 3rd and 4th. Much help will be needed to make this money-raising event the worthwhile project it has always been. The fellowship is enjoyed by all.

**Sickness and distress**

R. W. John Moll has been home recovering from a fall. A card to 2 Arrowhead Way N., Fairport 14450, would be appreciated. Bro. Warren Crump is in St. Mary's Hospital. His speech has been affected by a stroke.

**New members**

The Lodge welcomes four new Brothers: Richard J. Gillens, John P. Harris, Samuel L. Harrison, and Ralph Kraft. It is our hope that they will find a place in the Lodge and enjoy the fellowship peculiar to Freemasonry. Brothers Donald W. Behnke and Ronald M. DeGross, both of Webster Lodge, took their 2nd Degree at Fairport and their 3rd Degree at Webster on April 20th. We congratulate them and will welcome them, as we do all North Fairport members, anytime.

**Birthdays**

The following Brothers celebrate the anniversary of their births during the month of May: Reed Patterson, Clayton Gisman, Fred Mingo, Roy Forest, Bernie Ornt, Francis Machowski, Carl Dattel, Dave Mawhiney, Raemond Howard, Jim Ellsworth, R. Clinton Emery, Melbourne Staudmyer, Bob Mabry, Donald VanderLinde, Bill O'Hara, Tom Dennett, Paul Cairns, and Dennis Dreeson. The officers and members of the Lodge wish you a happy anniversary of your birthday and a healthy, prosperous year ahead.

**Last call**

This is my last message to you. Where has the time gone? The time goes fast when you are having fun and I had fun. I would like to thank everyone who took part in spreading the light of Masonry on behalf of Fairport Lodge this year. Special recognition to Brother Leon E. Grasby, Jr. for his service to the Lodge. He

served me well as Steward and Tiler, road patrol and most importantly as the main mover in the redoing of the men's room. Special recognition also to Brother Bud (Robert E.) Fisher for his service to the Shrine Chanters and the community. Each was given a certificate and their names have been added to the hall plaques.

Time to turn the keys over to new blood, but don't count me out. There is still much to be done.

He was excellent at using the bomber to knock down all of the pins. I'd like to give special thanks to all those who helped out, including Bro. Carl Scarpulla and his wife, Heather, Bros. Andre Smith, David Sylvester, Al and Elizabeth Orem and my lady, Penny.

**"A Man in Masonry, A Mason Exemplary"**

On April 10, 1995, one hundred Masons, their wives, friends, and family, gathered in East Rochester with one unified purpose and goal: to honor R. W. Bill Lennox on the 50th Anniversary of his appointment as DDGM and his 93rd birthday. This was a toast, not a roast. Toastmaster R. W. Richard C. Friedman introduced Bill's family, representatives of various Lodges and Chapters, Ill. Potentate Derek VanHouten, Grand Lodge Officers and Representatives. He then shared with us some personal insights in R. W. Bill's contributions to Masonry. Sr. Deacon Bob



W. Franklin Granata, Jr. and R. W. William Lennox.

Carlson enlightened the assembled with a brief, but informative, review of Bill's personal life endeavors, from his cross country challenge, through his business life and his most cherished family experiences.

R. W. Leon Perkins traced R. W. Bill's Masonic life, from his entrance into Ancient Craft Lodge No. 943, through his present, active participation in East Rochester's Ancient Craft Lodge No. 943. A leader, an innovator, a positive contributor that both the old and young, can look up to for guidance and support.

R. W. Friedman introduced M. W. Gary A. Henningsen, Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York. M. W. Henningsen spoke of his goals for Masonry in New York, and how Brothers like R. W. Bill are those special Masons who exemplify the purpose of the Fraternity. He presented Bill with his own personal gift, a "trowel", that which symbolically spreads the cement that binds us all in brotherly love and affection, as well as it signifies a builder's tool for a strong Masonic future in New York. M. W. Henningsen also presented a Proclamation for Bro. Bill's service to Free Masonry.

R. W. Bill graced those present with his wit, special anecdotes and acknowledged that we can honor him again on his 100th birthday, which we are already taking reservations for. He then provided a clasped hand salute as those in attendance sang "Happy Birthday".

A special thanks from all of us is extended to Brothers R. W. Friedman and Carl Scarpulla for helping to make this an evening that we will all remember, cherish and feel honored that we were a part of.

**Upcoming events**

On May 8th we will be having our Annual Meeting and the Election of our new Officers. This will also be Lodge of Remembrance for our Brothers who have departed this year. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. Call in your reservations.

On May 22nd we will be having the Installation of Officers. This will be an Open Meeting, with dinner at 6:30 p.m. Come out and support our new Master, Tom O'Leary and his Line.

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



W. Franklin G. Granata, II, Master  
W 546-1160

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

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

152 Commercial St. West  
East Rochester, N.Y. 14445

By W. Franklin G. Granata, II  
**Bowling**

Bowling with the children from Crestwood Children's Center was a ball. Everyone had a great time, including two great games of bowling, lots of pizza, and tips on bowling technique from Bro. Al and Elizabeth Orem who, between the two of them, got more strikes than the rest of us. In the tenth frame, Bro. Al even got in a turkey between slices of pizza. Bro. David Sylvester was bowling with the younger kids.



R. W. Bill Lennox rises to the occasion.



A little 'body english' by child from Crestwood Children's Center who were entertained by ERAC Lodge. Master, Franklin Granata, Jr. looks on.



Elizabeth Orem knocking 'em dead at the ERAC/Crestwood Bowling Party.



Al Orem and Andy Smith check the scoreboard at the ERAC Bowling Party for the Crestwood Children's Center.



M. W. Gary A. Henningsen congratulating R. W. Brother Lennox on his accomplishments.

## CLIO

**LODGE No. 779**

W. Donn Stevens, Master  
865-8776

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

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

By W. Donn Stevens  
Greetings from the East once again.

**Ox Roast**

Well, the 30th Annual Clio Ox Roast is history by now. I hope it was both a gastronomic and financial success. I wish to extend my heartfelt appreciation to the Brothers of Clio Lodge and our Sisters from Leah Chapter for making it happen.

*Continued on page 8*

## Doerrer Jewelers

Diamonds - Watches  
•  
Silverware  
•  
Masonic Jewelry  
Competitive Prices

703 Temple Building  
14 Franklin Street  
Warren Doerrer 232-4874

## BILL & EARL'S

AUTO MAINTENANCE, INC.

Complete auto repair on foreign and domestic cars  
235 WINTON Rd. 288-3210

Continued from page 7  
School of Ritual

Thanks also to the several Clio Brothers who turned out for the School of Ritual at Union Star Lodge on April 5th. I think we showed 'em that folks from the wilds of Hilton aren't completely hopeless!

**Lend your support**

Bro. Tom Tanner, Junior Warden, will be in the East on May 2nd while I am attending Grand Lodge. Please plan to be on hand to give Tom your support.

**Summons**

You have all received your summons for the Election of Officers to be held on May 16th. Remember your obligation and be on hand to elect the new slate of Clio Officers.

**Sadness**

Bro. Floyd Burger, a 60 year member of Clio Lodge was called to eternal rest on April 7, 1995. A Masonic Memorial Service was held on April 10th. Our sincere condolences are extended to Floyd's family and friends.

**Happy Birthday**

May birthday greetings are in order for Bob Baxter, Rene Frazee, John Himmelsbach, Art Miller, Dick Pickett and Gary Thompson.

**Spaghetti Dinners**

Our Spaghetti Dinners are scheduled for May 10th and 24th. Be sure to come out and help us end the Spaghetti season with a bang.

**ETOLIAN  
Lodge No. 479**



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

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

By W. Richard B. Kessler

**Winding down**

This being my last news letter, as my year as Master is nearly over, I express my thanks to my Officers, Brothers, and Past Masters for helping to make the year a success. It was a great honor to sit in the East and to travel to New York City for Grand Lodge.

**Blood Drive**

The Annual Red Cross Blood Drive was well attended and 37 units of blood were processed. My thanks to Candice Morland, Betty Hogue, Brothers Bud Baker, Art Rudig, Don Darrohn, Bob Humphreys, Roy Hogue, Dave Feller, Rockwood Chambers, Bill Miller and Jay Alexander for making phone calls. Thank you, Brother Norm Weinreber, for chairing the Program.

**We need petitions**

A Bring-a-Friend Night was held on April 27th with the hope of getting new candidates for our Fall Degree.

**A good time**  
Family Night was held April 10th and was well attended and the program enjoyable.

**Computer**

A new computer was added to our Lodge for record keeping. Our Secretary, W. Jim Barker, welcomed it with open arms.

**Thank you**

Thanks to W. James Powell, W. Chester Carter, W. Ruel Lovett, W. Eugene Brendel and Brothers John Dryer and Robert Zavasnik for the many hours of work on our rec. room and kitchen. The pool table is enjoyed by many Brothers.

**Dues**

The 1995 dues are due now. If you do not have a current dues card in your possession, you are in arrears.

**Future dates**

May 8th is the Election of Officers. During May and June we will clean up and paint at the Lodge. The dates will be announced later.

Good luck to the incoming Officers.

**2nd Monroe  
District**

**Churchville  
Lodge No. 667**

W. Jon V.  
Deacon,  
Master  
254-6957  
2nd & 4th  
Wednesdays  
7:30 P.M.



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

By W. Garry Hutchurson

Time is passing quickly; already it is time for Grand Lodge. Our SW Edward Roman will represent us and will give us a full report.

**New Officers**

New Officers will be elected after Grand Lodge, and they are expected to be; Edward Roman in the East; Craig Mollon in the West, and George Burke in the South; R. W. Don Leisten as the Treasurer and R. W. Earl Steffen, Secretary.

**Thanks**

Our candidates had a great time at Union Star Lodge for the 2nd Degree. Many thanks to W. Craig Emmons for his support and help in conferring the Degree. We at Churchville appreciate the really great meal they had. We especially liked R. W. Everett Vail's presentation of the Middle Chamber Lecture.

**Welcome back!**

It's nice to see our snowbirds returning. While W. Garry Hutchurson was vacationing, we put R. W. Charlie Daycock in the East!

We hope our traveling man, W. Jon Deacon, is doing well, we miss him.

**NORTHFIELD**  
Lodge  
No. 426  
Instituted  
March 1857

W. Daniel B.  
Walker, Master  
H 429-6572  
O 427-0800

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

W. Donald C. Smith  
Secretary H 248-5170

17 Church Street  
Pittsford, N.Y. 14534

By W. Daniel B. Walker

It's hard to believe that this term is almost over. I have enjoyed serving the Lodge during this past year. Together, we accomplished a lot.

**Thank you**

A big thank you to Bro. Walter Weick and Mrs. Nancy Hogerman. They recently spent some time cleaning up and painting the kitchen area.

**Invitation**

We have received an invitation from the Rayson-Miller Legion Post to march in the Memorial Day Parade through Pittsford this year. My Brothers, this is a wonderful opportunity to promote the Lodge in the Community.

**Award**

On Thursday, May 18th, we will be opening Lodge at 6:00 p.m. and promptly closing. This is because Linda Zahn's father, Len Bowman, will be receiving his 70th Year Award at Webster Lodge.

**Condolences**

Our sympathy to the family of Bro. Robert E. Williams, who passed away February 27, 1995 at the age of 77.

**Henrietta**  
Lodge No. 526  
1863 1992

W. Joseph E. Bourcy, III  
Master  
334-8293  
2nd & 4th  
Tuesdays  
7:30 P.M.

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

By W. Paul Josephson

**Fellowcraft Club**

On May 2nd, there will be a meeting of the Fellowcraft Club. All interested members are invited to attend. We will be preparing the work roster for our Ham Dinner on May 20th.

**Spring cleaning!**

On May 16th, we will have a general cleanup of the kitchen, dining area and rest rooms, all in preparation for our Ham Dinner.

Please come prepared to work. We need all the help we can get for these projects.

**May meetings**

The Election and Installation of Officers will be at 7:30 p.m. on May 9th. There will be a dinner at 6:15 p.m., and reservations may be made by calling 334-7353.

The May 23rd Lodge meeting we will have Award Presentations at 7:30 p.m., with a dinner at 6:30 p.m. Reservations may be made by calling the above number.

The Fellowcraft Club will meet on May 30th.

The Fellowcraft Club Steak Roast will be June 6th. Reservations are a must—please call 292-6383.

**GERMANIA**  
Lodge No. 722

W. Nelson F. Bertch,  
Master  
671-4792

1st  
Tuesday  
7:30 P.M.



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

By W. David N. Foster

**Greetings Brethren**

As I sit down to write this, I am about to become the Master of your Lodge for the fourth time. Ordinarily that might be considered discouraging - a comment on the pool of leadership we have to choose from in our Lodge. I am pleased to report, however, that we are on the verge of ending our dependence on Past Masters to fill the Chairs. If everything goes as planned, all the line officers from the Jr. Warden down to the Jr. Master of Ceremonies will be filled by Brothers who have not been Master before. It's been a long time since that's been the case and it's something of which we can be proud.

**Great happenings**

A lot of good things have happened in our Lodge over the past few years. We have raised 6 new Brothers who have helped to rejuvenate the Lodge. They bring new energy and enthusiasm. This enthusiasm, along with the motivation of our current Master, Nelson Bertch, has resulted in a number of recent, if not new, firsts for your Lodge.

We met the requirements to receive the Howard Potts Award from Grand Lodge. We are going to exceed the District's Brotherhood Fund participation goal of 55%. We visited the VA Hospital in Canandaigua. We've worked

on special youth projects such as helping out at the Hillside Home and also sponsored a Spaghetti Dinner for a local YMCA swim team. This is a tough act to follow, but we're going to give it our best shot!

**Thank you**

Before going further, I thank the Shrine Past Masters Degree Team which did a masterful job of presenting the 3rd Degree for our class of new Brothers at our last meeting. The dinner prepared by Culver Chapter before the meeting was delightful. Thanks to all!

**New business**

Back to new matters. Although our new members have rekindled the flame in your Lodge, we could not have been as successful on these projects without the help of our faithful Lodge Brothers. Many of you (and I won't try to list everyone here for fear of missing someone) helped on these projects and we're grateful for your support. What we need to do now is keep building on the foundation that has been laid. We need to continue getting more people involved and keep the momentum going. I've already heard from some people who have said they're going to try to get out to Lodge more often. How about YOU???

**Help needed**

Your first chance to help will be at our meeting on May 2nd. That night we will have the Election and Installation of Officers for 1995-96. There will be a Pot Luck Supper preceding the meeting. Plan to come and show your support for these new Brothers (and old ones, too!) by attending this meeting.

**Ladies Night**

The next chance to participate will be our Annual Fellowcraft Ladies Night. This year the festivities will be on May 20th at the Red Men's Club on Lexington Avenue. There will be a cash bar from 6:00-7:00 p.m. followed by a Buffet Dinner. Bowling, cards, and socializing will follow. Dinner is \$10.00 per person. Bowling costs extra if you wish to bowl. Cards and socializing is free!!! Bring your lady, prospective Brother, or friend. Everyone is invited.

**June meeting**

Our meeting on June 6th should be the annual visitation from our friends from Concordia Lodge in Buffalo. There will NOT be a Pot Luck Dinner that night. Dinner will be served after a short meeting with fellowship to follow.

**Brotherhood Fund**

We've done a great job so far this year with the Brotherhood Fund. Let's go out with a bang and see just how far over the top we can go. Get your contribution to Brother Andy McBride as soon as possible.

**Last, but not least**

We've made some darn good progress in your Lodge recently, reversing a trend that caused a lot of doom and gloom talk. Your Lodge is doing great and its looking forward to bigger and better things. We've got at least one more Brother to raise and hopefully we'll have even more.

You can take pride in your Lodge. Even better, you can take part in your Lodge. If you have any suggestions regarding Lodge activities, give me or any Lodge Officer a call. We'll do our best to make your Lodge the best. Don't miss out on the fun and fellowship. See you in Lodge!!!

**Rochester Monument Co., Inc.** Member of  
1130 Ridge Road, Webster, NY 14580  
60th Anniversary  
(716) 872-1827  
Robert J. Micoli, President  
BOARER BUSINESS COUNCIL

**HENRIETTA LODGE #526**  
F&AM  
**FELLOW CRAFT CLUB**  
*Ham Dinner*  
Served Family Style)

**Saturday, May 20th**  
Serving 5:00-7:00  
Donation:  
Adults \*6 • Children \*2.50  
TAKE OUT AVAILABLE • 334-2613  
Henrietta Masonic Temple • 769 Erie Station Rd., W. Henrietta




**John A. Robertson**  
**Lodge No. 1032**  
 Chartered 1924

W.: Charles N. Waterstreet, Master  
 381-8028

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

R. W.: L. Edward Walker, Secretary  
 647-2382  
 875 MAIN STREET EAST  
 ROCHESTER, NY 14605-2789



By W.: Charles Waterstreet, Jr.  
 By now you know that we did not have two meetings in April, in spite of indications that it was our intention to do so. We took into consideration that it was the Monday after Easter Sunday, a busy weekend for many of our Brothers, and opted to cancel the Stated Communication.

**Holiday conflicts**

Have any of you noticed how the change in many of the holidays affects our meeting night? Plus, there were other nights that were 'special' occasions, such as: Martin Luther King Day is the 3rd Monday in January; President's Day was the 3rd Monday in February; Easter Monday was the 3rd Monday in April; Grand Lodge Sessions are the 1st Monday in May; Labor Day is the 1st Monday in September. I was amazed as I researched this point. Our By-Laws state that, "The Master shall have the power to suspend all Stated Communications ...when a Communication falls on a legal holiday, or on the eve thereof". Of course, some of these vary from year to year, but there are a lot of nights that we meet that are considered holidays.

This month we change again. We will not meet on Monday, May 1st. Bro. Ken Skidmore, our JW, will be in New York City to represent John A. Robertson Lodge at Grand Lodge Sessions. It will be a wonderful experience for Bro. Ken, and we thank him for his willingness to be our representative.

**Ladies Night**

The balance of the membership will rest up for the following Monday night, May 8, when we will hold our Annual Ladies Night celebration. Once again, Bro. Norm Gauch has reserved the downstairs dining room at Rick's Prime Rib House on Howard Road. Attendees to past events are aware of the great food and fine fellowship we have at these events and I trust you all will mark your calendars for this special occasion. Cocktails will begin at 6:00 p.m., with a cash bar. Dinner will begin promptly at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Charles Runyon, Assistant Vice President of St. John's Home, will be our guest speaker for the evening. He will address some of the ramifications of governmental budget cuts in Medicaid how they will affect health care facilities and their services, and what we might try to do now to help ourselves in the event of future need on our part. This should be a very interesting and timely topic for all the Brothers and especially the wives, who statistics say, will usually remain healthy longer than men.

Reservations are required and checks, made payable to John A. Robertson Lodge, should be sent to Bro. Norm Gauch to secure your place. \$12.50 per person will

cover your choice of Prime Rib, Broiled Chicken or a Fish entree. All area Brothers should have received (and responded to) a mailing before you receive this issue of the *Masonic Times*. If you haven't, you may still have time to join in the fun. Call Bro. Norm at 271-1368, NOW! I look forward to seeing many of you there.

**Election of Officers**

We will have our May tiled meeting on the 15th, when we will elect officers for the 1995-96 Master's year. I didn't think I would have the opportunity to write those words when I took this office last June. I hope all of you will come out for this occasion, and on June 5th for the Installation of Officers. More information will be forthcoming on the latter event.

**Brotherhood Fund**

This is your last chance to help us achieve the goal for the 1994-95 Campaign. John A. Robertson Lodge is ranked right up there in the 2nd Monroe standings. Anyone who has put off the opportunity to support the Fraternity and their Brothers through this annual appeal still has time to send in their contribution. Even a dollar would do. If every Mason in the State of New York supported this program, there would be huge sums of money for research, the care of those unable to care for themselves, and the many other options available for your consideration. Bro. Norm Gauch has done another commendable job for our Lodge and would like this last chance to be on top. Please seriously consider sending in your donation.

**Adios!**

Tradition in our Lodge has been that the succeeding Master have the opportunity to write the column that appears during the month of his Installation. I have not presented this scenario to our new Master yet, but I'm sure he will be excited about the opportunity to address all of you through the *Masonic Times*. Therefore, this is my swan song.

It has been a privilege to serve as your Master for yet another (fourth) term. It is not, however, an honor that I long sought...nor will I seek again. This has been a very emotional year for all of us. The situation is not resolved. It is not a situation that is easily resolved. Therefore, we struggle on for another period of time, whatever that may be.

We have a nucleus of very dedicated men and Masons, without whom my task would have been impossible to handle. The Past Masters of John A. Robertson Lodge have always been ready, willing, and able to help out at a moment's notice.

I deeply appreciate the help of Bro. Bob Traub who, as Senior Warden, worked diligently on the Ritual and helped at every function we had throughout the year.

Bro. Norm Gauch...Mr. Everything (except Master). Hard at work on the Ladies Night Program; steadfast in his role as Chairman of the Brotherhood Fund Drive. Punctual in his attendance.

Ever steady and faithful R.: W.: Ed Walker, our illustrious Secretary, who spends countless hours keeping our Lodge in good standing with Grand Lodge and in the District, and keeps the Worshipful Master informed of important events.


To W.: Donn Stevens, Master of Clio Lodge No. 779, and an Honorary Member of our Lodge, who has fought through his own

adversity to continue to provide the music for our meetings, a big THANK YOU. His skills on our organ have produced beautiful melodies to set the tone for our opening and enhance our Ritual work. I say again, thank you, Donn.

Finally, to JW, Bro. Ken Skidmore...unwavering in his efforts to promote the friendship and brotherly love within our Lodge and provide interesting and entertaining evenings; dependable above and beyond the call of duty, despite the many and varied aspects of his personal life this year (getting married, becoming a grandfather, working on the Shrine Circus, being selected as a lobbyist by the State A.A.R.P., etc.); I couldn't have done it without you. You listened to my ramblings, discussed our options, charged our opportunities, and cheered me up when I was in the doldrums. I sincerely thank you and wish you all the best. (Thanks to Sue, as well, for all her support).


I am proud to call them and all of you, my Brothers.

**Towpath Lodge No. 163**



W.: Craig A. Covert, Master  
 865-2920

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



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

By W.: Craig A. Covert

As I sit here beginning my next to last column as Master of the Lodge, I must say that I am really looking forward to going to Grand Lodge. I know that it will be an experience that I will never forget, as I will be invited to the Grand East to receive the Howard Potts Award. I am also looking forward to it because I have never been to New York City and I am looking at it as a great adventure.

**Grand Ball**

Also, as I sit here I am still burning off the Dessert Bar from the Grand Ball. The dinner was excellent, and the company could not have been better. Although the overall attendance was down this year, we had 7 couples there from our Lodge, I hope that everybody had a good time! We also raised about \$550 with the Silent Auction, which will be used for the Masters and Wardens Campership Program.

**By-Laws and Roster**

Hopefully, by the time this column goes to press, I will have finished getting the Lodge Roster and By-Laws copied and into the mail. At the time of this writing, I have finally put the two documents together. I now need to update the format. Included with the document will be a listing of all of the members who have passed away in 1995, and the date of their passing.

**Brotherhood Fund**

As of this date we have had 79 donations, totaling \$2378.50. This brings us up to 25.32%, or roughly half way to our goal of 55% participation. If you have not made your contribution as yet, and would still like to do so,

you have until the end of this month to count in this year's total. I encourage all of you to make your contribution as soon as you can.

**Camp NaCoRa**

This year the Masters and Wardens decided to help our Camp NaCoRa. It is a one week camp for children of alcohol and chemically dependant parents. The camp allows the kids to be kids for one week out of the year. I am pleased to announce that Towpath Lodge has decided to sponsor one camper with Lodge funds, and Bro. Carl Mason is sponsoring a 2nd camper. We are currently trying to get enough guys together so that we can sponsor yet another. If you are interested in helping out with this cause, please contact me. Even if we can't sponsor another camper on our own, we can still contribute to the general campership fund. If you have any questions regarding this camp, you can call either R.: W.: Larry Canfield or me.

**Schedule**

This month's schedule looks to be pretty busy for all of us. Move-Up Night is on May 2nd, followed by the Past Masters Dinner on May 9th at the Monroe Golf Club. The cost of the dinner is about \$25, and reservations are due to R.: W.: Terry Wihlen by May 2nd.

May 16th will be the Election of Officers for the 1995-96 year, and I urge all of you (if you can make it) to come to that meeting.

May 23rd will be a Special Communication for the conferral of the 2nd Degree, and will be preceded by a dinner. Reservations are to be made with R.: W.: Bill Zufall at 271-0795. Finally, May 23rd will be the School of Ritual at ERAC. The work for the evening will be the first section of the 1st Degree.

**Thank you**

I would like to say a personal thank you to W.: Ray Kneppar for his video presentation on the impact that AIDS can make on a Community. To say that I was moved would be an understatement. We all know that AIDS is a devastating disease, that affects not only the individual and his family, but also the community at large. Thank you for sharing this with all of us!

I also thank W.: Lou Campaniello, and Bro. Jim Barcus for attending the School of Ritual at Union Star Lodge. I thought the work for the evening was very well done, and I found it to be a good evening all around.

**Sympathy**

Our sincere sympathies go out to the following: Mrs. Evelyn Bess and her family on the passing of her husband, Bro. Edward H. Bess on March 10; Mrs. Rose Lemon and her family on the

passing of her husband Bro. John Lemon on March 14; the family of Bro. Clem Satterfield, who passed away on March 24; the family of Clarence DeMay, who passed away on March 29; and the family of Bro. Joseph J. Trevor, who passed away on March 25. The Lodge extends its condolences to the family of Bro. Clarence R. Smith, who passed away on March 24. We have a hole in our records pertaining to Bro. Smith. We know that he was raised in Genesee Falls Lodge in 1930, but he is not shown being carried over in the merger. If anyone out there can fill us in as to whether he demitted or was dropped for NPD, please contact Bro. Sol Phillips, our Secretary. Masonic Services were conducted for Brothers Clarence Smith, Clem Satterfield and John Lemon.

**Sickness**

We need to keep Bro. Claude Hyatt in our prayers. He has been in and out of Genesee Hospital recovering from an episode of congestive heart failure.

Well, I will finally sign off for this month. God bless you all.

**Charlotte-Corinthian Lodge No. 1088**



W.: Neil Laundry, Master  
 964-2135

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



C. William Flemming, Secretary  
 723-0083  
 4550 Lake Avenue  
 Rochester, New York 14612

By W.: Neil Laundry

Wow! I'd been told about how quickly one's year as Master passes, but it is really difficult to believe how right they were. You're installed, you turn around, and bam! It's time for election of officers again. Well, it may be quickly over, but I'm sure that the memories and the sense of pride one feels for having been honored by the membership and given the opportunity to serve them as Worshipful Master will linger throughout the years.

**Welcome**

Since our last column, we've raised two new Brothers: Jim Tellinghusen and Tom Grape. Congratulations, Brothers, and welcome to the best Lodge in Western New York (and probably the State), Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge No. 1088. We're already looking forward to our Fall Degrees.

**Sharing the work**

We've been invited by W.: Bill Hook to join Craftsman Lodge

Continued on page 10

**CROSSFIELD Heating & Air Conditioning**

"Let Us Show You The Real Meaning Of Customer Satisfaction"

TRANE

872-4420

Bob Slominski Member of Fairport Lodge No. 476

**Pest Control sawyer's**

454-3880 201 Monroe Ave. Rochester, NY 14607

Caring About Environmental Quality 343-6680 590 E. Main St. Batavia, NY 14038

## Charlotte/Corinthian

Continued from page 9

No. 969 in conferring a 3rd Degree on June 20th. Our thanks to Craftsman for the opportunity to share the work of that most important occasion.

## Special commendations!

JW Jim DeLorenzo and his crew (he put Tom and Emily Grape right to work) are to be congratulated for a successful Lodge Brunch on March 26th. Approximately 60 diners, including a nice delegation of Brothers and ladies from Craftsman Lodge, enjoyed the great variety of foodstuffs offered. Special commendations on the Eggs Benedict. They were a real hit!

## Awards

At the time of this writing, I'm looking forward to a super Awards Night on April 18th. SW "Buzz" Gorman has the Charlotte Middle School Awards all ready to go and most of the other awards have arrived. I've received several letters and calls from Brothers who will not be able to attend, but wished to touch base and keep us up to date on their activities. I'll share those "hellos" with the folks in attendance on the 18th.

## Preplanning

Bro. Buzz has also put the finishing touches on his 1995-96 Trestleboard and has planned some great Lodge programs and social events for the coming year. If all of his preplanning and careful attention to detail are any indication, we can rest assured of a rewarding and exciting Lodge year in 95/96.

## Grand Lodge

Our Election of Officers will take place on May 9th. I look forward to reporting to you at that time on the 1995 Grand Lodge. The 94/95 Masters Group has a great itinerary planned for that weekend and we're really anticipating a great visit to the "Big Apple".

## Condolences

It is my sad duty to report the death of a Brother. W.: Walt Doescher has left his labors in the quarries of this world. We send our best wishes to his family and offer sincere condolences on our shared loss.

## Good news

We also have some good news to report. Bro. Eino Laakso and his wife, Sylvia, are both on the mend and able to get around a bit more. We have reports as well that Bro. George Lake has had a relatively easy time with some rather serious surgery and is coming along well.

### Empire State Weeklies, Inc. Webster Printing Corp.

2010 Empire Blvd.,  
Webster, NY 14580  
871-1533  
Specializing in Newsletters  
Printers of this Publication

### Joe Bishop Auto Sales

New and Used Cars  
Phone 265-0040 • FAX 265-2253  
436 Route 104  
Member Valley-Simes Lodge



**Craftsman Lodge No. 969**  
W.: William R. Hook, Master  
H 671-6452  
O 288-3210  
1st & 3rd  
Tuesdays  
7:30 P.M.  
Robert F. Ogden, Secretary  
385-1422  
875 Main Street East  
Rochester, N.Y. 14605

By Robert F. Ogden

## Award Presentation

W.: Bill Hook recently presented a 60 Year Certificate and Pin to Bro. Chuck Sutton with Bro. Ogden attending. Bro. Sutton recalled that not only was his father a Mason, but that his grandfather was also.

A 50 Year Certificate and Pin were mailed to Bro. Edgar Welton. Both Brothers were most appreciative.

## Shrine Circus

While Bros. Chuck Walker and Bill Hook assembled toys and flashlights, Bro. Tom Kendigsold them. Bro. Ogden filled popcorn boxes and Bro. Mike Zona worked the cash register. Bro. Charles Frear remarked that this year's Circus was most successful.

## Open Installation

On June 6th we will have a catered dinner, followed by an Open Installation of Elected Officers. Come one-come all!

## Third Degree

The Date of June 20th has been set for a 3rd Degree Ceremony with two candidates participating. A dinner is planned preceding the ritual.

## Ninety-nine years young!

Craftsman was excited and honored to have Oscar Kohl visit Lodge. Bro. Kohl was included in the 5th Dispensation Class of June, 1920. It's good to have you with us, Bro. Kohl.

## Chinese Dinner

Bros. Shelby and Vitali arranged a most pleasant get-together for dinner at the Golden Dynasty. We had a nice turnout and our congenial host, Roberta Shelby, invited us all over to the Shelby house following the dinner. Thanks, Roberta.

## Good work!

Promoting the Masonic Service Bureau and the *Masonic Times* requires a lot of behind the scene work. This has been done by R.:W.: Vernon Goodrich, Executive Director of the Service Bureau, and R.:W.: Donald Brugger, Editor of the *Times*. These two gentlemen have produced a slide presentation which they have taken to Lodges in the

## Thanks

Well, Brothers and ladies, I guess that's about it. I'd like to thank everyone for their help and support in 94/95, and I look forward with enthusiasm to playing an active role in next year's Lodge activities.

Until we meet again, fairwinds and may God hold you in the palm of His hand.

Genesee/Wyoming District, Wayne District, as well as local Masonic organizations. They also travel to Utica to attend Publication Meetings.

Vern has researched Masonic Service Bureaus in the United States, and has found only two that do anything close to what ours does. Since he has been Director, he has also made revisions that have resulted in saving money for the Bureau.

Volunteers are always welcome to come in and help keep the equipment in good repair!

## Birthdays

To the Brothers whose birthdays fall in May, many happy returns: Edgar Bastian, Al Bowers, Chuck Chatfield, Duane Franklin, Chuck Freida, Bill Leggett and Len Schulmerich.

## Future dates

Move-up Night, preceded with a dish to pass dinner, will be May 2nd.

Fellowcraft will meet May 9th at 7:30 p.m.

The Annual Communication and Election of Officers will be May 16th.

### Union Star Lodge No. 320

W.: Craig J. Emmons, Master  
H 346-2719

2nd  
Monday  
7:30 P.M.

R.: W.: Kenneth E. Buckland,  
Secretary 624-1308  
3 North Main St.  
Honeoye Falls, NY 14472



By W.: Craig J. Emmons

## Sickness and distress

Best wishes and a speedy recovery go out to Bro. Merwin B. Buckland who has broken his left hand in a fall. The last report is that he is on the mend and doing well.

## Sadness

Since our last regular communication, the passing of a Brother has been brought to our attention. We received a letter from the wife of Bro. Donald P. Molloy that he passed away in FL on February 24th. A 48 year member, Bro. Molloy was raised on October 15, 1947. A service was held during our regular meeting. Our condolences and sympathies to the Molloy family.

## Special thanks

A special thanks goes out to the Officers and Brethren of Churchville Lodge No. 667 for joining us, with one of their Entered Apprentices, to participate in our 2nd Degree. We had a great turnout and a good time. Thanks for your support.

A pat on the back and an 'attaboy' for the fine job that our Brothers Dan Cathron and George Burke from Churchville did with the Q & A for this Degree; well done.

This is the first time that Bro. James Hart was in the East for a Degree. He did a great job. Thanks Jim, you made all of us proud of you.

A thank you to W.: Bud Ripley for being the Ritual Director for this Degree and to W.: Joseph Cotteleer and his family for providing a delicious meal.

## Extra special thanks

On behalf of Union Star Lodge No. 320, I would like to thank W.: Ralph Kennedy for

donating both his time and talents toward constructing the five new wall mount boxes in which we display our deceased Brothers Aprons. Thanks Ralph, nice job indeed!

## Important dates to remember

Monday, May 8th at 7:30 p.m. we will have our Annual Summoned Communication. This meeting is for the Election of Officers for the ensuing year. There will also be a Past Masters Meeting on this same evening at 7:00 p.m. sharp. Monday, June 12th at 7:30 p.m. will be our Installation of Officers. Please do your best to attend these two important meetings and give support to both the outgoing and incoming officers. There will be a special award given at that meeting.

Well, that's it for now. I hope to see you at these most important meetings. Come and meet our three newly made Brothers.

### Masters & Wardens Association

1st & 2nd  
MONROE DISTRICTS

## President

W.: Neil Laundry 964-2135

## Secretary

W.: Daniel B. Walker 429-6572

### Masters and Wardens Picnic, June 4th

On Sunday, June 4, 1995, from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., the Masters and Wardens Association will hold a picnic meeting at the Shrine Mosque, 979 Bay Road in Webster. The picnic is for the 1995-96 Masters, Sr. Wardens, Jr. Wardens and their families. The current Grand Lodge Officers will also be invited.

This event will primarily be a social occasion, for the welcoming and introduction of the new Junior Wardens. We will feast on hamburgers, hot dogs, and the usual picnic fare.

This will also be the only meeting of Masters and Wardens between now and the end of September.

The cost is \$4.00 per adult, reduced cost for children. Reservations should be made through your Lodge's Master.



### James A. Hard/Wayne Charter Post No. 12

Leon Van Huben, Commander  
647-9603  
Dennis Gellasch, Adjutant  
265-3993

By Roger E. McCaughey

At the Annual Election of Officers Meeting, held at the 40 & 8 Club on University Avenue on Thursday, March 30th, the following slate of officers was nominated and unanimously elected for the term ending in May 1996. Commander - Leon VanHuben 1st Lt. Cdr. - Roger McCaughey 2nd Lt. Cdr. - George Hebner Finance Off. - Donald McDill

May 1995

Adjutant - Dennis Gellasch  
Marshall - Wm. H. Golding, Jr.  
Off. of the Day - Harold Bollotin  
Chaplain - Alexander Arthur, Jr.

The Installation of the above, in Open Session, at the Annual Ladies Night Dinner Meeting is to be held at the East Rochester Masonic Temple on Monday evening, April 17, 1995. This event will be past history when you read this; however, we are pleased to report that according to our advance registrations, we will have a large gathering to enjoy a delicious dinner, and a very interesting and informative evening, including a fine presentation by Captain Debra Dwyer of the Town of Greece Police Department. Those of you who couldn't make it to this meeting missed a great party. We'll give you a "rain check", and look for you at our next scheduled event.

The Masonic War Veterans Color Guard will "Post the Colors" at the April 29, 1995 New York/Ontario Shrine Association Open Ceremonial and the Damascus Shrine Potentate's Reception. This will be an historical day in which the Imperial Potentate of the Shrine of North America and the Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York will both participate in the Open Session creating new "Shrine-Masons". We urge all Masonic War Veterans, if at all possible, to attend this important event.

Spring has finally arrived and with it the well rooted greenery is beginning to bud and blossom. Will YOU, my Brothers "Blossom" this season? Perhaps that will depend on how well "rooted" you are in attending Blue Lodge!

### Tall Cedars of Lebanon

Rochester Forest No. 133

Meets the 4th Thursday

1822 Penfield Road  
Penfield, New York 14526

Frank Briffa, GTC



Angelo DiCataldo, SDGTC

Robert North, JDGTC

Donald C. Bell, Scribe

## April meeting

The meeting, held April 27th, was preceded by a Spaghetti Dinner at the Lodge. Also served was salad and wine. The Forest was opened in due form at 7:00 p.m. The main thrust of this meeting was to come up with some future ideas to draw people to the Forest. A dance was discussed, but most dates conflict with other functions.

## Sausage Roast

The Sausage Roast scheduled for June was discussed. A notice will be mailed out soon. It will again be held at the Damascus Temple Mosque in Webster.

## Phone calls

We also noted that the callers should make their calls at least a week before all regular meetings or social events. It seems that the regular Brothers attend every month. What we need is some "new" blood. Try to get those rusty Brothers interested. They may also have some fresh ideas for revitalizing the Forest. We need their input.

Hope to see you soon!

**R..W.. Chester W. MacRae**



**L. S. O. M. E.**

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

**Hurrah and Welcome**

It's great to have Eagle Valley Lodge, of the great metropolis of Bliss, NY, as a contributor to the Masonic Times. I am sure the Master or Secretary will find that on occasion, sending an article and ON TIME becomes a chore.

Keep in mind, as all other contributors realize, that your readers, especially out of town members, are looking forward to reading what exercises are planned for up-coming communications or future activities. Contributing an article enables all the members of other Lodges to keep abreast of the "goings on". With the advent of Eagle Valley, the Genesee/Wyoming District is well represented with 11 Lodges subscribing. Hopefully, the last and remaining Lodge will join the "flock" to make it an even dozen.

**"Mentoring" Program**

A "Mentor", as described in the Masonic Service Association bulletin, is what our Grand Master calls his Shepherding Program. All the same, this Program consists of assigning each candidate a well educated Brother to act as his mentor (shepherd), educator and companion for a year, thereby creating an active, educated and working Brother.

Ask yourself, "Is my Lodge allowing the Line Officers to advance to the East unprepared for the task ahead?" Shepherding, L.S.O.M.E. (Lodge System of Masonic Education), and Leadership Training Sessions will, together with full progression through the line, better prepare him for a more fruitful and enjoyable year as your leader.

**May flowers**

Grand Lodge Session of May 1st and 2nd will start off a very busy and active month. The 1st meeting in May, in all Lodges in the State, is Election of Officers for the ensuing year. The next meeting or subsequent meetings into June are Installation nights when all the new Officers will "bloom". Hopefully, your garden has been well planned and planted so your Lodge will bloom throughout the year having colorful and interesting meetings to carry over the doldrums of the Winter season and well into Spring and the next "Grand Lodge" month.

**Installations**

Take note of the Installations of the Lodges in the District or adjacent Districts. Some are to be "Open" to guests and friends (an opportune time for candidates). Some will have invited the "Purple Club" (Past and Present Grand Lodge Officers) to install

their new Officers, while some will avail themselves of their own Past Masters. Mark your calendar and visit as many of these Installations as desired. Great to join the festivities of all. Attend your Lodge, keep abreast of activities. God Bless. □

**Grand Steward**

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



R.W. Donald E. Wagner

**Leadership Development**

A Leadership Development Course was held in Rochester on April 8th. There will not be another until Fall. It is important that you add this training to your resume. You will derive great benefit from it and your Lodge stands to be the big winner.

**Communication**

Do you remember where you were first prepared to be made a Mason? With this thought in mind, it seems we should first start our communication there. Also, we have regular and special communications so that we who travel in the many and varied walks of life can get together for a common purpose - to extend and perpetuate our Fraternity, do good for our communities, be a family of friends and Brothers, combine our talents for common goals, and undertake tasks too great for one man to handle.

**Fellowship**

The expressions of ideas are the nuts and bolts of organizing. After our official communication, we have our meeting to organize our ideas into a viable agenda. This is the Fellowship Arena that too often gets lost when a communication gets drawn out into frivolous details. You should encourage all the Brothers to partake in productive fellowship. This will enhance the free flowing of ideas for the good of the order.

Ideas will be talked out, plans will be made, blueprints laid out, and projects organized. Then at the next communication they can

be presented for approval or disapproval as the Lodge so desires. With our regular communications so organized, it will encourage better attendance and by being short and to the point more will get accomplished.

**Child ID Training**

Child ID Training date for the Genesee/Wyoming District is May 31st. It will be held at Attica Lodge No. 462, Main Street, Attica, NY. Mark this date for your Lodge to send its Child ID Chairman to this training seminar. As this is our next scheduled Warden's Association Meeting, all Masters and Wardens should plan to attend. Also, bring along all Brothers who have expressed an interest in the Child ID Program and want to be trained to take an active part in these productions or who just want to know more about them.

Secondly, as a public relations project, it has awesome possibilities for enhancing Masonry in our District while providing an invaluable service to our public.

We must all do our best to help correct this flaw in our society that has people stealing children and committing horrendous crimes against them.

**Fundraiser needed**

We need a District Fundraiser. Perhaps a Masonic Golf Tournament. Everyone could have a good time while doing it and talking it up at the same time. It can be done and it will be WE who do it. The ball is on the tee. □

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

W.. Norman Steinbaugh,  
Master  
591-2073

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

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

By W.. Norman Steinbaugh  
VA Hospital Visit

On March 21st eleven members of Attica Lodge assisted at the Batavia Vets Hospital with Bingo and serving refreshments to the patients. Cookies were provided by Lew Mark Baking, ice cream from Perry's Ice Cream and maple syrup was donated by Chuck Lapp. A good number of patients attended and everyone enjoyed the Bingo and refreshments.

**Fundraiser**

The Spaghetti Dinner sponsored by the Attica Masons and OES for the benefit of the Attica Band's trip to the Festival of States Competition was a huge success. There were lots of workers from both organizations and we served 150 people with a net of over \$600, turned over to Band Director Donald Rogers.

Two Masonic Awards were presented in the Lodge room at 7:00 p.m. The General Douglas MacArthur Youth Award was given to the Attica Youth Athletics (A.Y.A.) for serving our youth for the past 33 years. The Grand Lodge Eagle Scout Award was presented to Robert Tedford. The Attica Jazz Band Ensemble played in the Lodge room from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. A good time was had by all. Our thanks to everyone who supported this event.

**Annual Masonic Mother's Day  
Chicken Bar-B-Q  
May 14, 1995  
11:30 a.m. 'til gone  
Attica Masonic Temple  
Attica, New York  
\$6.00 Adults  
\$4.50 Children under 12  
Under 5-Free  
Menu  
Chicken, Baked Potato,  
Cole Slaw, Rolls, Dessert  
and Beverages**

**Chicken Bar-B-Q**

Attica Lodge's 27th Annual Mother's Day Chicken Bar-B-Q will be held on May 14th, with serving to start at 11:30 a.m. Along with the chicken, the menu includes baked potato, cole slaw, rolls, beverage and dessert. Come and bring Mom for Mother's Day Dinner!

**Masters and Wardens**

The Masters and Wardens Meeting will be hosted by Attica Lodge on May 31, 1995, with dinner at 6:30 p.m., and the meeting at 7:30 p.m. The subject is Child ID, so please plan on attending.

**Installation**

Attica Lodge and West Star Lodge are planning on joining together for a dual Installation of Officers to be held June 7th at Attica Lodge.

**Brotherhood Fund**

Last, but not least, don't forget that only a dollar donation per member will give Attica Lodge one hundred percent participation in the Brotherhood Fund!

**From the West**

By R..W.. Donald Wagner, S.W.  
Pay them their wages, if any be due.

Attica Lodge hosted Bingo at the Veterans Hospital in Batavia on March 21st. Master Norman Steinbaugh's Bingo Team included Don VanSon, Jack Stockholm, Chuck Lapp, David Buckheit, Louis Godfrey, Frank Rechlin, Sam Norris, Everett Norse, and Donald Wagner.

Enough cannot be said about the goodwill that was generated by our being there. The residents enjoyed themselves and had a very good time. There were a host of Bingo players.

We provided and served refreshments of ice cream with or without maple syrup and a variety of cookies. This was at no cost to your Lodge. My thank you is your pay, my Brothers.

**Masters and Wardens**

Attica Lodge was well represented at the last Warden's Association Dinner Meeting held on March 30th. This date was the fifth Thursday of March and was so chosen to avoid conflicting with regular Lodge communications in the District. This Asso-

ciation is for the exchange of ideas by those in leadership roles in their Lodges and includes all Brothers of the Craft. This is a forum, not a tribunal for the DD or Staff Officer.

The next forum is May 31st, 1995, at Attica Lodge. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. Please attend. □

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

W.. Clifton L. Drum, Sr.  
495-6506  
1st and 3rd  
Tuesdays

W.. Allen L. Capwell, Secretary  
786-8989

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

By W.. Clifton Drum, Sr.

**Time has flown**

As I write this, we are in the month of April already. I am close to the end of my year as Master of Warsaw Lodge No. 549 and I wish I could have accomplished more.

**Election**

Brethren, we will be having Election of Officers for the coming year at our stated meeting on May 2nd. Come and take part in the Election of your Lodge Officers. We will also be conferring the Degree of Entered Apprentice that same night. This should make our first meeting in May quite interesting and exciting.

**Fish Fry**

The District Fish Fry at Constellation No. 404 in Perry on Friday, April 7th was a resounding success from all reports. I, and several Brothers, attended and were treated to the best fish we have had in a long time.

**Child ID**

Warsaw Lodge needs at least one Brother to step forward and volunteer to help with the Child ID Program. This volunteer should be able to attend training and orientation sessions, along with other Brothers from the Genesee/Wyoming District. He should also like to work with children. This is a very good program and we should support it.

**It works**

One of the children, recorded at one of the ID sessions in Western NY, has already been helped by the family having one of our tapes. Please think about our children and help with this Program.

**Don't forget**

Brethren, don't forget to come and vote on May 2, 1995. It is your Lodge. Come and make your presence known and see the Degree work of your Lodge. □

**Harloff Funeral Home**  
SERVING YOUR NEEDS SINCE 1955  
803 S. Washington St.  
E. Rochester, NY 14445 586-5948

**RL  
Rochester Lumber Company**

103 N. Washington Street  
East Rochester  
586-0909  
Since 1909, supplying homeowners and contractors with service and quality building materials.

125 W. Main Street  
Honeoye Falls  
582-2000

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



W.: D. Mark  
Madgett  
344-4199  
2nd & 4th  
Tuesdays

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

By W.: Mark Madgett

### Greetings from the East

On April 11th, Batavia Lodge No. 475 was once again the beneficiary of raising a new Brother. Bro. Charles Gorski was bestowed this honor with the assistance of the Brethren of the Past Masters Shrine Degree Team from Damascus Temple, Webster, NY. The evening began with a Prime Rib Dinner and the appropriate trimmings. It was served at 6:30 p.m., after which the Brethren were able to enjoy the Master Mason Degree conferred in a very able and impressive manner, it included the use of full costumes and regalia of the cast. The Brethren of the Degree Team are superlative in their Degree work and it was indeed a pleasure to observe it.

### Annual Widow's Dinner

The Annual Dinner and Program, in honor of the widows of our late Brethren, was held on Saturday, April 29th at the First United Methodist Church of Batavia. Once again, Batavia Lodge was the beneficiary of the careful supervision of R.:W.: Jerry Brade and W.: Ev Norris. The Program was an impressive presentation by the "Elba Elegants" singing group.

### Coming Events

A very important event coming up will be the Election of Officers of Batavia Lodge No. 475 for the ensuing year. This will be held at the May 9th Communication. Please plan to be in attendance for your input and vote for the Officers of your Lodge. They look forward to your support and attendance. A Summons will be sent to you in due time as a reminder of this event.

The Installation of Officers will be held on May 23rd, under the guidance of the Purple Apron Club of the Genesee/Wyoming District. R.:W.: Vernon Rupert and his team will be giving the Charge to the Officers.

A few other events are pending with final plans underway.

Two of these events are the Annual St. John's Day Breakfast and the Annual Summer Picnic. Details of these events will be announced in the next newsletter. Please be on the lookout for them.

### Sickness and Distress

R.:W.: Don Clattenburg continues to convalesce at home. Stop by and visit with him or send him a card. He would appreciate hearing from you.

We take this opportunity to express our sympathies to R.:W.: Vern Rupert and his lady, Annie, during this time of the loss of their son, Vernie. He was a real fighter in his own way and quite a gentleman. I am sure that all those who have had the opportunity to meet him over the years will concur. He will be sorely missed.

### Final note

I thank all of my Officers who assisted me in my term of office in the East. Without their aid and guidance, we would have never been able to accomplish so much. I especially appreciated the consultations of Brothers Dagen and Rev. Coller, and timely help from W.: Bob Strang. These Brothers enabled me to oversee the continued revitalization of Batavia Lodge No. 475. Our future is locked to friendship, brotherly love and companionship, which are being seen at our Lodge more and more these days.

I send a final thank you to W.: Dick Plue (now relaxing in Arizona) who raised me a few short years ago and got me into this situation in the first place. God Bless you all. □

## HESPERUS Lodge No. 837



W.: John  
Specht,  
Master  
548-2694  
1st and  
3rd  
Thursday

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

By W.: John Specht

The most important item for this month's article is Hesperus' Annual Chicken Bar-B-Q, which

is being held on Saturday, May 13th, (the day before Mother's Day) starting at 4:30 p.m. Bro. Ted Paine is Chairman and has advance sale tickets at 50 cents off the door price of \$6.00. Advanced sale tickets are available from Ted Paine at 548-7136; John Specht at 548-2694; George Springett at 247-3557; Dick Sands at 494-1044 or Joe Chimino at 494-2049 or 494-2422. Please support your Lodge by helping when asked and by eating heartily.

### District Fish Fry

Friday, April 7th, was Genesee/Wyoming's Annual Spring Fish Fry put on by the Council of Masonic Activities. I've never had better fish, and I understand the Council made out very well financially, too.

### Scholarships

Let me remind all Hesperus members with George Walker Scholarship applications-May 1st is the deadline.

### Degree work

The 3rd Degree was conferred on Bro. Chet Banach on April 20th with W.: John Specht in the East. A Turkey Dinner was served at 6:00 p.m., immediately preceding the ceremonies. Thanks to Bros. Ralph Marsocci, George Springett, and Joe Chimino for an excellent meal and to our several Brothers from Etolian Lodge for their help in the Degree work.

### Election of Officers

May 4th will be our Election of Officers Night. Please make every effort to attend this most important communication. The offices of a new Junior Warden and Senior Deacon, as well as a new Steward, will be filled that evening. For an after meeting snack, we will be having cheeseburgers, etc.

### Move-up night

May 18th will be the Annual Move-Up Night with Bro. Ted Paine in the East and the other newly elected officers in their proper stations and places. I will be out of town, so I want to wish all the officers error-free ritual work. I know you can do it, guys.

### Installation and Apron Presentation

Sunday, June 4th, will be our Installation of Officers, starting with a dinner at 1:00 p.m. This will be an Open Meeting, so please plan on attending with

your family. Show them what Masonry is. As a bonus added feature, R.:W.: John Bater will be presented with his Apron as the Grand Representative of Minnesota. John, we are all so proud of you and glad you are being recognized. You have done so much for the Lodge, much of which many members are unaware.

### Child ID Program

I am trying to get enough interested members together to start a Child ID Videotaping Program. I hope to get a booth set up at Bergen Park Days on June 10th to allow parents to make appointments to have their children videotaped on Saturday, September 9th. We will, hopefully, have more control of the surges in people flow by using the appointment method. Genesee/Wyoming District is setting up a pool of trained people and equipment, and I'm sure we will have to draw on this pool to make the Hesperus taping session a success.

### In closing

As all out-going Masters always say, this has been a short year. I haven't been able to finish many of the programs and tasks I wanted to implement. I thank all my Brothers for the support you have given me in this trying year. You guys are what makes this year the success I feel it has been. May God bless you all, forever. □

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



R.:W.:  
Robert  
Nicoll,  
Master  
768-7922  
1st & 3rd  
Wednes-  
days

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

By R.:W.: Robert Nicoll  
Walter Winchell used to say, "Attention-Mr. and Mrs. America, and all the Ships at Sea-Flash".

Here is a special news event!

During the week of May 22nd thru the 26th, Olive Branch Lodge No. 39 will observe Masonic Heritage Week. This is a week long Open House with each Concordant Body explaining,

"Who they are, what they do, and where they come from". The schedule for the week is: Monday, May 22nd-Ladies from the OES; Tuesday, May 23rd-Blue Lodge F. & A.M.; Wednesday, May 24-Special guest Lynne Belluscio, Curator and Director of LeRoy Historical Society, "Masons in LeRoy"; Thursday, May 25-Royal Arch Masons; Friday, May 26-Scottish Rite Masons and the Shriners.

Each program commences at 7:30 p.m. Come and enjoy good fellowship, refreshments and bring potential candidates.

### Good fellowship

On April 20th we joined with Hesperus Lodge in Bergen for the Master Mason Degree. Again, good food (turkey dinner), good fellowship and the raising of new Master Masons.

Congratulations to Hesperus for the most attractive signs on their building recognizing the Freemasons and the Eastern Star.

### Upcoming events

On May 3rd we will welcome the Snowbirds back, they will be all tanned, and we will be just as white as snow.

The Annual Pancake Breakfast, hosted by the Royal Arch, will be on Sunday, May 7th.

There will be an Election of Officers on May 17th.

The Installation of Officers will be June 7th.

The Annual Chicken Bar-B-Q and Family Picnic will be June 21st.

See you in Lodge!  
Masons recruit good men and make Masons! □

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



R.:W.: Leonard  
Mason, Master  
492-1813  
2nd & 4th  
Tuesdays

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

By R.:W.: Leonard W. Mason  
This column has become a path for all members to find what is occurring in the Lodge. Therefore, it is also a tool for each member to use as an expression

Continued on page 13

## Trituminar Lodge Masonic Golf Tournament

4 Person Scramble Teams  
Rolling Acres  
DeWitt Road, Pike, NY  
Benefit of the Brotherhood Fund  
June 3, 1995  
\$30.00 per person - \$120 per team

Prizes for the longest drive  
Closest to the pin wins \$200.00

1st Place - \$120.00 + Trophies  
2nd Place - \$100.00  
3rd Place - \$80.00  
4th Place - \$60.00

Call 567-8557

Carts available (Extra) Reservations for carts only!  
\$40.00 deposit required  
Total fee required by May 15, 1995  
Open to anyone - it will be a fun day!



**SEAL'S SERVICE**  
DELUXE  
MOTOR COACH  
TOURS  
Since 1973  
With Seal's Extra Care, Always!  
TORONTO TOURS  
★ Showboat ★ Miss Saigon  
★ Phantom ★ Crazy For You  
TOURS OF ALL KINDS • GROUPS WELCOME  
Call for info/brochure  
(716) 352-4600 • (716) 637-3815  
1-800-828-3470  
PROFESSIONAL CLOWN SERVICE  
BY SEAL THE CLOWN

**Hedges Memorial  
Chapel, Inc.**  
Rufus Hedges James Aiello  
Christopher Lawrence  
770 East Main St. 454-7070

## Olive Branch Lodge No. 39 Free and Accepted Masons Presents Masonic Heritage Week

May 22nd thru May 26th

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

at  
Masonic Hall  
8 West Main Street  
LeRoy, New York

Who are the Masons?

What do they do? Where do they come from?

The Concordant Bodies of Masonry will present a program at 7:30 p.m. each evening, followed by refreshments and fellowship.

Monday, May 22  
Tuesday, May 23  
Wednesday, May 24

Thursday, May 25  
Friday, May 26

The Ladies of Eastern Star  
The Freemasons  
Special Guest, Lynne Belluscio,  
Curator of the LeRoy Historical Society  
Royal Arch Masons  
Scottish Rite Masons and  
the Shriners

**Arcade Lodge No. 419**

*Continued from page 12*

of what they are doing in their individual activities. Please send interesting information regarding your activities so that it can be shared with the other members.

Your Lodge is also responsible for raising the funds to purchase the camera, tripod and microphone for use in the Child ID Program in the Genesee/Wyoming District. This was discussed previously, but only recently was the purchase made.

**Community visibility**

This Spring the Masonic signs have been installed at the main four entrances to the Village. They were acquired last year, but only recently installed by the Village employees. They are there to tell visitors that there is a Lodge in the Community and they should feel free to attend.

**Congratulations**

This year we have 4 Brothers celebrating 50 years as members: Ronald S. Cudworth, 41 Academy Drive, Altamonte Spring, FL 32714; Byron E. Fisher, Olean Road, Chaffee, NY 14030-9999; Donald R. Hopkins, 136 Oak Island Circle, Santa Rosa, CA 95409-6330; and Merle Webster, 533 W Main Street, Arcade, NY 14009.

**Installation**

Grand Lodge meets the 1st and 2nd of May, and our Installation is designated to be the first meeting after Grand Lodge. As of this writing, we may have ours with another Lodge, so if you plan on attending, please contact me to confirm the date and place. □

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

W.. Carl  
Parmorter,  
Master  
535-7472

1st & 3rd  
Mondays

R..W.. Kenneth E. Kohlhaugen,  
Secretary 591-9598

2473 Route 20A  
Varysburg, N.Y. 14167

By W.. Carl Parmorter

**Sickness and distress**

Bro. Ed Meyer is currently in Intensive Care at the Wyoming County Community Hospital. He would enjoy cards and letters.

**Thanks**

We have started to receive donations to the Perpetual Trust and the Brotherhood Fund. Thank you for your continued support.

**Looking ahead**

We are planning a dinner at the Lodge on June 5th to kick off our Widows' Night and the presentation of two 50 Year Pins to W.. Fred Luce and W.. Ellsworth Eck. This is our normal meeting night and we will be having an open meeting format, as we have done in the past. More information will be coming.

On June 7th we will be having a Joint Installation with Attica Lodge in Attica. This is their normal meeting night. Please show your support as side liners. Make the evening special for the incoming Officers.

June 17th & 18th are the Annual Varysburg Neighborhood Days. There are many events scheduled. On Saturday there will be a Chicken Bar-B-Q to benefit the Gordon Brown Memorial Scholarship Fund.

**Child ID**

We will be doing the Grand Lodge videotaping for Child Identification at the Sheldon Elementary School. The community is very supportive of this annual event. There will be a large antique and furniture sale going on at the old Grange Hall, and the Parent/Teacher Group at the Sheldon School is holding a 2 day Flea Market and Chinese Auction. All of this, along with many individual yard sales, will make for a very busy weekend. Please come and join in the festivities.

**Thank you**

We would like to thank the officers and members of Attica Lodge No. 462 for again co-sponsoring a youth to Camp Turk. Eric Hibsich, son of West Star's Brother Edward Hibsich, will be attending Camp Turk this Summer.

**Time flies**

My year as Master has gone by quickly. I have enjoyed serving the Lodge and hope to see most of you at the upcoming events or possibly at the Family Picnic this Summer.

**Noteworthy event**

Bro. Ellwyn Roberts has won the New York State Super Middle Weight Kick Boxing Championship. Ellwyn says that he is getting ready for the Nationals to be held in New Jersey. □

**PI & A**

Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Chairman  
W.. Robert D. Mix 798-0335

As you read this it's almost time for the newly elected officers to take over. We wish them well.

**Make time!**

To you newly elected Worshipful Masters: Please! When you work out your programs for the coming year, see if you can't find at least a part of a meeting night to work in a program on Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention.

**New discoveries**

There are newly discovered and even invented means of getting high, and believe me, our kids will use them.

One such discovery is a plant that grows wild in 48 states and has been around forever. It's called Jimson Weed. Every plant is poison. Some more so than others. Our kids are using it and some of them have died from it.

Another fad is called huffing. They use such accessible items as Lysol Spot Remover. It's easy. Spray it on your sleeve, sniff it, get high. 50% of the first-time users don't live to try it again. It makes their heart lose rhythm, stop and then they die.

**Marijuana**

It is said now that marijuana is not a dangerous drug. Not so. It is also a gateway to the more dangerous drugs. Marijuana use among school kids is on the rise again.

**Don't give up!**

We can't give up on the drug battle even though it's tough going sometimes. Just remember, these kids are our future and stoned kids can't learn. They have no attention span.

**Call us**

If you want a program put on in your Lodge, call me or the District Chairman, or call us both. We are available. We have tapes, handouts, we can give a talk, or whatever you want. □

**Masters & Wardens Association**

**GENESEE-WYOMING DISTRICT**

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

By George Springett, Sec.

**Congratulations**

Bro. Trevor Rodgers has completed 65 years of service to the Craft. I hope that all who attended the presentation at Mt. Vernon Lodge No. 263 in Java Village, NY, understood the dedication to the Craft that this truly honorable Master Mason has given. I congratulate you, my Brother, and pray that you have many more years of success.

**F.U.E.L.**

In the March issue of the *Masonic Times*, we reported that the Masters wanted a demonstration of the effectiveness of a guest speaker during a communication. Well, Attica Lodge members prepared an excellent feast and the Association had a demonstrational speech from R..W.. Richard C. Friedman, DDGM 1st Monroe District, entitled "F.U.E.L. for the '90's", which is about "Fun, Unity, Education and Leadership". Thank you to all from Arcade, Attica and Hesperus Lodges who attended. I must give my sincere thanks to my friend and Brother, R..W.. Rich, for allowing me to be his emissary and have the privilege of giving this excellent speech.

**Child ID Program**

Our thanks to R..W.. Leonard Mason, who has volunteered to be temporary Team Leader and coordinate the start of this program. He will be in contact with each Master about their Lodge's participation in this Masters and Wardens program. Please consider suggestions for raising funds to support this program, seeing that we are just beginning.

**Guest speaker listing**

A "team" of one was established to compile a listing of persons or Master Masons within the Genesee/Wyoming District, who have the capability and willingness to give speeches to our Lodges. A speaker's topic may be any subject that he is knowledgeable in, be it related to Masonry or not. If you are interested, or know of a person who would be of interest and willing to help educate our Brothers, contact me for their inclusion in this listing. This listing will be made available to Masters and Wardens within the District to fulfill their need to improve Lodge attendance. Note that the larger this list becomes, the greater the variety of speakers and topics can be. It just maybe what your Lodge needs to increase attendance. The use of these speakers will show that you care about the sideliners and will encourage them to participate in the Lodge activities and growth.

**Next Communication**

On May 31st, Attica Lodge No. 462 will have a dinner at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will start at 7:30 p.m., and include Jack Hughes, who will speak about the Child ID Program. Bring the ladies and your ideas for Child ID Fund Raisings. □

**Genesee/Wyoming Council of Masonic Activities**



R..W.. Robert Sells, Pres.  
Bro. George Springett, Sec.

By George Springett, Sec.

The April 7th Fish Fry was a great success, thanks to W.. John Cook, his staff, and Perry Lodge. We even had to go out and purchase additional pics to satisfy all of the customers.

**For your sweet tooth!**

Candy is still available through the District Sale. Contact W.. Robert Forbes if you have not made your purchases.

**Summer meeting**

Mark your calendars for the next Council of Masonic Activities Meeting to be held on July 16, 1995 at Warsaw Temple, starting at 2:00 p.m. Come and meet the new Masters of the District.

**Dates**

On May 19th there will be an Investiture Service for Masters-Elect at the Warsaw Masonic Temple.

Go to Church Sunday will be August 6th at West Middlebury Baptist Church.

The Grand Master's Town Meeting will be at the Genesee Community College on August 12th. It will start at 8:00 a.m., with registration by 12 noon. □

**Purple Apron Club**

~

**GENESEE-WYOMING DISTRICT**

President  
R..W.. Leonard W. Mason  
492-1813

Vice-President  
R..W.. John S. Stockholm  
591-2714

Secretary/Treasurer  
R..W.. Sheldon J. Moden  
322-7343

By R..W.. Leonard W. Mason

The most recent Purple Apron appointment in our District is R..W.. John Bater as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota near the Grand Lodge of New York.

We take this opportunity to congratulate R..W.. Bater and offer him our assistance.

**SAUCKE BROS.**

**CONSTRUCTION CO., INC.**

**GENERAL CONTRACTORS**

**MEETING ALL YOUR CONSTRUCTION NEEDS SINCE 1920**

§

184 Smith Street  
Rochester, New York 14608  
(716) 423-0295

The selection of a candidate for AGL of the Genesee/Wyoming District has been completed and submitted to Grand Lodge.

Attendance at a meeting in each Lodge has been completed by two members of the Selection Committee to present the guidelines for candidates for the positions of DDGM and Staff Officer. The goal is to find the best individual for each position so that the District will remain strong under their leadership. Applications should be in as soon as reasonably possible. Drop dead date has been set as October 6, 1995.

**Speakers requested**

The Purple Apron Club has been requested by Bro. George Springett, Secretary of the Genesee/Wyoming Masters and Wardens Association, to provide names of anyone who would care to speak at a Lodge meeting. He is compiling a list which will be available to all Lodges when completed. George indicated that any interesting program, such as travel films or filmed special events, would be considered.

**Looking ahead**

Keep track of the calendar for all listed Installations.

Spring Ladies Night has been set as June 11th and Fall Ladies Night as October 15th. Both will be at 5:30 p.m. Cards will be sent out prior to each event. □

**District Deputy**

**Grand**

**High Priest**

*Royal Arch Masons*  
*29th Capitular District*  
Rt. Exc.  
Gary C. Thompson  
392-7546

**Festival**

The Degrees for the Festival on April 1st went extremely well. We had 11 candidates for the MMM and PM Degrees, 19 for the MEM Degree and 20 to be exalted to the HRA Degree. Not all of the candidates were from the 29th District. Others visited us that day for the Degree work.

*Continued on page 15*

**JANI-CARE**

**The Cleaning Management People**

170 Mt. Read Blvd.  
Rochester, N.Y. 14611  
Tel. 716-464-0340

Residential  
and  
Commercial  
Carpet Cleaning

## DDGHP G/W

Continued from page 13

Since I had to leave a bit early, and didn't get a chance to, I personally thank each Companion that was present and especially those who took part in the Degree work.

## Official Visits

When this issue reaches you, my Official Visits to Arcade No. 322, 3X3 No. 333 and Western Star No. 35 will be history with only 2 to go.

They are Wyoming No. 181 on May 9th (my 51st birthday) and lastly LeRoy No. 183 on May 10th.

## Picnic

Mark this date on your calendar, Wednesday, August 23rd. That is when our Annual Picnic will be held in Warsaw. The ladies are invited. □

### Western Star Chapter No. 35 RAM

1st &amp; 3rd Thursdays

E.. William H. Genagon, HP  
548-7182  
Franklin P. Lund, Sec.  
343-3630

200 E. Main Street  
Batavia, NY 14020

By E.. William Genagon  
Convention

On March 30th, Western Star Chapter No. 35 hosted the Grand Lecturer's Convention. It was preceded by a dinner at the Candlelight Restaurant and 20 Companions were in attendance. Also present was V..E.. Dan Evans, AGL, 29th Capitular District; R..E.. Gary C. Thompson, DDGHP, 29th Capitular District and R..E.. Hobert C. Cook, Grand Lecturer of Royal Arch Masons, State of New York

The Convention covered several subjects including the Opening of the Ark which is exemplified in the Holy Royal Arch Degree. R..E.. Vern Rupert assumed the chair in the East for the explanation of the Ark and its related usages. All of the Chapters of the 29th District were represented. It was a very informative and enjoyable evening of education and fraternal companionship.

## Festival

On April 1st, Western Star Chapter No. 35 hosted a Royal Arch Festival. We had six candidates from our District, eight from the 31st, four from the 21st, one from the 28th, and one from the 25th Capitular District, making a combined total of twenty new Companions who were Exalted to the Holy Royal Arch.

## Thank you

As is the norm for any well planned and successful production, I thank and recognize some of the individuals who made this all possible: V..E.. Dan Evans who coordinated this event with Grand Chapter and R..E.. Bob Dagen, who made sure everything was organized for the day, including coffee and donuts and an excellent lunch. The lunch was provided by Comp. D. Mark Madgett (who received the Degrees) and served by Bro. Bill Smith of Batavia Lodge No. 475 and his wife, April. A special thank you to Bill and April for their efforts.

## MMM Degree

The MMM Degree was conferred by 3X3 Chapter No. 333, under the leadership of R..E.. Gary Thompson; the PM Degree was conferred by Wyoming Chapter No. 181, under the leadership of R..E.. Ken Kohlhaugen; the MEM Degree conferred by Arcade Chapter No. 322, under the leadership of R..E.. Steve Wing; and the RAM Degree was conferred by Western Star Chapter No. 35, under the leadership of R..E.. Vern Rupert.

I also thank E.. Jerry Brade for having everything ready for the next Degree, so there was not too much confusion or wasted time between the Degrees.

I would be remiss if I didn't thank and recognize the most important individuals who participated, the candidates. Obviously, if it had not been for their enthusiasm and desire for more "Masonic Light", we would not have had the opportunity for this event.

## Meeting nights

At our last Convocation, there was much discussion on the subject of meeting only once a month, on the 3rd Thursday. It was decided to try meeting once each month, commencing in May, therefore we will NOT meet the 1st Thursday in May. We hope that by having one well-planned meeting per month, the Companions will be more encouraged to attend our Convocations.

Again, I thank everyone who worked on the Festival. We had a very successful day and one we can be proud of. □

GENESEE/WYOMING  
DISTRICT  
GO-TO-CHURCH SUNDAY  
AUGUST 5, 1995  
WEST MIDDLEBURY  
BAPTIST CHURCH  
BREAKFAST 8:00 A.M.  
CHURCH SERVICE  
10:00 A.M.

No man ever told a woman she talked too much when she was telling him how wonderful he is.

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

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

§  
Steven L. Wing  
Recorder  
498-2386

West Main Street  
LeRoy, NY 14482

By I.. Robert F. Dagen

## Thanks

I begin this article with a special thank you to all the Companions of the Council for their unremitting efforts in making our Council successful over the past year, and even before that. At the last Assembly, seven new Companions attained the Degree of Royal and Select Master. We welcome them with open arms and look forward to their active participation in Council. In conferring these Degrees, a special mention to Companions Steve Wing, Ruel Lovett, Bill Genagon, Vern Rupert and all the Companions who assisted in this endeavor.

## Charity Drive

Just a reminder to each of my Companions, the Charity Drive is still underway. If you have not taken the opportunity to make your contribution, please do so now. R..I.. Layton Vogel will be happy to hear from you, so mail your contributions to him or hand them to him at our next Assembly.

## Winding down

As my tenure as your Illustrious Master comes to a close, it is time for me to reflect over the past events. I cannot remember even one negative event during this time. The year has been one of many rewards in many ways, whether it was the conferral of Degrees, the Official Visit last Fall, the privilege of attending the Grand Assembly or just one of our normal Assemblies of the Council, they all remain a very special memory to me. The fraternal companionship in general, I think is most important of all.

## Send cards

I take this opportunity to remind my Companions to remember our fellow companions in need of our aid or sympathy or who are in sickness or distress. Since my last letter to you, R..I.. Howard I. Smith is once again able to get out and enjoy the outdoors. A special note of sympathy to Comp. Vern Rupert and his lady, Annie, on the loss of their son, Vernie. Our thoughts and prayers are with them.

## Next Assembly

The next Assembly on April 24th will be utilized for the purpose of reviewing and planning of the Council. A special reminder to each of you that the Summoned Assembly, for the purpose of electing the Officers for the ensuing year and the installation of the same, will be held on Monday, May 8th. This will be the last meeting until the Fall session and I am asking each of you to make yourselves available for this special Assembly to support your Council of Cryptic Masonry.

Again, my personal thanks to each of my Companions for their help during the past year. God Bless you all. □

To be able to love a butterfly we must care for a few caterpillars.

### Your Legal Rights FYI

By Bro. Phillip Hurwitz, Esq.

Automobile liability insurance, or no-fault insurance as it is commonly known, is required to register ownership of a vehicle in New York State. Since it is mandatory, it is understandable that the policies we receive upon purchase, or renewal, are usually ignored.

Taking time to familiarize ourselves with these insurance policies, while as enjoyable as programming a VCR, can provide a basic understanding of your rights. Even more important, a periodic review of your policy will serve as a reminder to consider whether you are carrying enough insurance coverage to begin with.

All car insurance policies contain these components. Personal injury protection (no-fault coverage, also called PIP coverage), liability coverage for personal injury to others (third party benefits), liability coverage for property damage to others, and uninsured motorist coverage. In addition, all policies must offer the option to purchase additional coverage to enhance personal injury protection, and to enhance protection if injured by an uninsured/underinsured driver, or a hit and run driver.

New York is a no-fault State. This means that if you are injured in an automobile accident, as either a driver or passenger, you can have your medical bills and lost wages covered by the insurance company which insured the vehicle you were injured in, without having to prove that the other driver was at fault. The other driver would look to his insurance company for the same type of coverage. Injuries which are not defined as "serious" are referred to as basic economic loss. No-fault insurance precludes the need for a lawsuit to recover compensation to pay your doctor bills, and recover lost wages. Suing the other driver (or owner, if different than the driver) is not permitted, unless you have suffered a serious injury, as defined in New York Insurance Law. A simplified definition of serious injury, (which I found permits a lawsuit to recover injuries for pain and suffering), includes fractures, soft-tissue injuries of a legally sufficient magnitude, scarring, loss of fetus, and confinement to bed for more than 90 days during the first 180 days following the accident. Lawsuits for property damage caused by a vehicle's operation are always permitted.

Personal injury protection coverage (or PIP for short) is a first party benefit payable by the insurer, directly to the claimant or his health care provider (e.g. doctor, physical therapist, hospital). The basic benefit has a limit of \$50,000.00 to cover injuries resulting in basic economic loss. Basic economic loss includes medical expenses, 80% of lost wages up to \$2,000.00, prescriptions, mileage incurred in traveling to the doctor, and home assistance. For an additional premium, basic no-fault protection can be extended by an additional \$25,000 by purchasing optional basic economic loss coverage, (OBEL). This benefit supplies an additional \$25,000.00 in personal injury protection, and applies when the basic \$50,000.00 PIP benefits are exhausted. If your ba-

May 1995

sic PIP coverage of \$50,000 has been exhausted, you can direct that this additional \$25,000 in coverage be applied by the insurer towards payment of lost wages, rehabilitation, or medical bills. If more than basic no-fault coverage is needed, then additional personal injury protection (APIP) can be purchased, in order to increase the amount of no-fault benefits available.

Liability coverage for property damage covers claim by third parties for property damage inflicted by your vehicle. (e.g., knocking down a mailbox, damaging another car).

Uninsured/underinsured motorist coverage protects you and your passengers, for personal injury, if the vehicle you are in is struck by another vehicle that either doesn't have insurance, or that is struck by a hit-and-run driver. Coverage is also provided if you are hit by another car as a pedestrian, or are a passenger in an uninsured vehicle. The maximum amount of coverage is \$10,000 for you (\$50,000 if killed) or \$20,000 maximum if you and others (\$100,000 if killed) are injured in the same accident. For an additional premium, supplementary uninsured motorist coverage (SUM) can be purchased to increase coverage up to the amount you have in first party benefits coverage. This is especially useful if you sue the other driver because you suffered a serious injury, but that other driver has either lower coverage than you, or none at all.

Liability coverage for personal injury covers claims by third parties for personal injuries inflicted by your vehicle. This coverage is different than no-fault. No-fault covers both the driver and passengers who are injured in your vehicle. Third party liability coverage provides protection when a claim is made against you for injuries suffered by others who are outside of, and injured by your car, or by a passenger in your vehicle who has suffered a serious injury, and sues you. This protection pays that claimant's medical bills and lost wages, and provides you with a lawyer if you are sued.

A basic third party liability policy covers you from claims up to \$10,000 for bodily injury (\$50,000 if death occurs) suffered by only one person in any one accident; \$20,000 if two or more persons are injured in any one accident (\$100,000 if death occurs); \$5,000 for any one accident for damage to another's property (car, mailbox, etc.). This is the minimum liability policy allowed in New York, and is commonly referred to as a 10/20/5 coverage. There are those who cannot afford more than this basic coverage. This is why having SUM Coverage is important. SUM Coverage will pay you an amount equal to your first-party benefits, less any recovery yielded in a lawsuit.

If you are ever involved in an auto accident, and if able, obtain the other driver's license number, registration number of the vehicle he was driving, and the name of the insurance company shown on the insurance card, which must be carried in all vehicles. Of course you must provide the same information to the other driver. Note the day, date, time and location of accident. Other than offering solace and comfort, do not make any statements concerning the accident to anyone at the scene, other than a police officer. Immediately file a no-fault claim

Continued on page 15

The Only Tavern Downtown  
Serving Sandwiches  
Soup and Chili  
Til 2:00 A.M.  
Year Round

"Welcomes"  
All Brother  
MasterMasons

107 East Avenue (716) 262-3333





Joseph Minas, Monarch

**Monarch's Message**

At last, the Winter has gone and Spring is here; the crocuses, tulips and hyacinths are in bloom. A beautiful time to be alive.

Everyone who attended the Spring session at Dunkirk enjoyed themselves immensely.

The turnout for the dinner for the Prophets and the Caldron at the Barnard Exempts was fabulous and enjoyed by all.

**Future events**

There will be a rehearsal for the Ceremonial Cast on May 15th, and the Ceremonial will be on May 17th.

The Annual Supreme Session will be from June 12th to the 17th in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

The Lalla Rookh Picnic will be at Henrietta Park on June 21st.

There will be a Dinner Cruise on the Canandaigua Lady on July 23rd.

On August 5th there will be a Golf Tournament at Braemar Country Club, starting time is 10:00 a.m.

August 20th is the date for a day at the races at the Finger Lakes Race Track.

**Reminder**

Don't forget, the Grotto is sponsoring a Little League Soccer Team in Henrietta. Come out and give them your support.

As you all know, we still need more Prophets. Persuade a friend or relative to join the Grotto.

**Legion of Honor**

By Dick Topel

The arrangements have been made for the installation for next

year. A deposit was given to the Barnard Exempts Restaurant and Party House for January 13, 1996. There will be more on this later in the year.

The lucky winner of last month's 50-50 was Frank Murrer. I hope he got enough for a couple of beers at the Golf Course at Myrtle Beach. If you need more tickets for our current fund raiser, see Jan Lughart.

The next meeting of the Legion will be on May 8, 1995 at Denny's Restaurant, 3820 West Henrietta Road. The dinner will be at 6:30 p.m., with the meeting following at 7:30 p.m. Remember the May meeting will be the last one until September 11, 1995.

**Dates to Remember**

Mon. May 8th - Legion of Honor at Denny's 6:30 p.m., Meeting 7:30 p.m.

Thurs. May 11th - Caldron

Wed. May 17th - Grotto Ceremonial

Thurs. May 18th - Exec. Council Meeting at home of Helen Francis

Tues. May 23rd - Grotto Patrol - Culver Road Armory

Thurs. June 1st - Caldron Supreme Mighty Chosen One's Visit

Sunday June 21st - Grotto Picnic

Attend the Grotto Meeting  
Enjoy the fellowship

**Patrol News**

Spring has finally sprung?? Did you catch the snow in April? WOW!!!

The Patrol's "Faithful Few" will be going to the following parades, even though we won't be marching: Caledonia on June 2nd at 6:45 p.m.; Barnard on July 12th at 7:00 p.m. and Rush on July 14th at 7:15 p.m.

**Picnic time**

The Summer Picnic will be held on August 12th at the shelter in Henrietta Town Park. More information will be sent to all.

**Paid up members only**

This month's meeting will be held on May 26th at the Culver Road Armory, 8:00 p.m. Hope to see the Officers of the Grotto and some of the new "social members". See you there.

**Membership**

By Ron Morthorst

The Ceremonial will be Wednesday, May 17th, at 8:00 p.m. It is open to all Masons.

Petitions are available for Master Masons with a current dues card. We feature many different things to help you enjoy yourself.

1. Only one meeting per month.
2. Good fellowship.
3. Food for those who like to eat-3 dinners a year, picnics, lunch after every meeting.
4. State Convention-Empire State Grotto Association-Buffalo, September 14-16.

5. National Convention-Grand Rapids, Michigan

6. Visitations to other Grottoes.

7. Golf Tournament on August 5th.

What more can you ask for? If you'd like more information, call the Membership Hot Line at 334-4196. Ron Morthorst can answer your questions and get you started. The TRUE fun area of the Masonic world is here at Lalla Rookh Grotto!

**Caldron News**

By Arlene Topel, MCO

We had a large turnout for our Annual Smorgasbord. I would like to thank everyone who attended and those who helped in

anyway to make this a successful evening.

**Future meetings**

We are getting ready for our Supreme Mighty Chosen One's Visit on June 1st. Rehearsal for the Ceremonial will be on Wednesday, May 24th, at 7:00 p.m. in Doric Hall.

The next Caldron meeting will be on May 11th at 8:00 p.m. in Doric Hall.

The Executive Council meeting will be on May 18th at the home of Helen Francis at 8:00 p.m.

**Condolences**

The sympathy of the Caldron is extended to Helen and George Francis on the death of their son.

**Lalla Rookh Grotto Tournament  
August 5, 1995**

Braemar Golf Course  
4704 Ridge Road  
Spencerport, NY

Starting time: 10:00 a.m.  
Cost includes:  
Golf, Cart, Lunch, Prize Money

=====

**Entry Form**

Enclosed is \$30.00 per person for \_\_\_\_\_ person(s) for a total of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to: Lalla Rookh Grotto Tournament

Mail to: George Knierim

221 Desmond Road

Rochester, NY 14616

**Your Legal Rights,**

Continued from page 14

with your insurance company, and file an accident report with the State. If you are injured while a passenger, then you need only file a claim with your driver's insurance company. Your insurance company should supply you with the necessary forms.

While on the subject of auto liability insurance, I recommend that all Brothers enroll in a Defensive Driving Course, approved by the State Department of Motor Vehicles. Completion of the course will entitle you to a 10% premium reduction on your auto liability insurance, a 4 point reduction on accumulated points on your driver's license, and most important, serve as a review of correct basic driving skills. For many of us, Driver's-Ed was a long time ago.

**Bureau of  
Masonic  
Education  
Monroe County**

President:  
W.: John Zabel  
Secretary-Treasurer:  
R.: W.: Herbert Spencer

By W.: John Zabel

**Officer Training**

Ever since he was raised, George had been an avid reader of the *Masonic Times*. He liked to read about his Lodge and find out what other Lodges were doing. The latest issue had just arrived in the mail. After dinner George

sat down to read the issue. He was very engrossed in it when he came upon a display ad for the Leadership Development Course. George became interested in the ad. The ad gave the time, place and cost of the Course. George checked his calendar and found that he was free that day and he already knew the location. The ad also gave information on registering for the Course. George decided to register.

Several days later, George was in Lodge talking to some of the Brethren. "Have any of you taken the Leadership Development Course?" asked George. Everyone said no they hadn't.

"I've already signed up to take it", said George, "but I'd like to know something about it first."

"I don't think that you need it, George", said one of the Brethren. "If you just pay attention in Lodge you will learn all you need to know".

George was skeptical about this since he had been having trouble getting straight answers to his questions about Masonry from the Brethren of the Lodge. He decided that maybe the Course would answer some of his questions.

On the appointed day, George arrived at the Course location early. He introduced himself to those present and found a great group of guys. During the Course, George paid close attention and was constantly asking questions, which were efficiently answered. George enjoyed the Course, met Officers of other Lodges, met some Grand Lodge Officers and felt that he had learned a great deal.

At the next Lodge meeting,

George noticed one of the Grand Lodge Officers he had met at the Course was present. Towards the end of the meeting the Worshipful Master called this Right Worshipful Brother, Larry was his name, to the East and gave him the gavel. R.: W.: Larry then said, "Brother Marshal, escort Brother George to the East".

George was surprised and shocked, but he took the Marshal's arm and went to the East.

"Brother George, I present you with your Certificate of Completion of the Leadership Development Course, and I also present you with this pin. The pin signifies that you have successfully completed the Leadership Development Course and have started on your way to becoming a leader of the Craft", said R.: W.: Larry.

George was still slightly embarrassed. but managed to say, "Thank you". After which he received the applause of the Brethren and returned to his seat. He was feeling very proud.

**What's happening**

Summer is almost here and we are starting to plan for next Fall and Winter. Next month's issue of the *Times* should list the events we will be holding next Fall. Take note that the Leadership Development Course revision is almost complete. The new Course will be ready by Fall. We will be holding the new Course as soon as the seminar program is properly designed. In the meantime, the Course can be taken by correspondence.

If you sow kindness, you will reap a crop of friends.

**Masonic Home**

2150 Bleeker Street  
Utica, N. Y. 13501-1788

Brother Daniel L. Clark  
Public Relations Coordinator  
315-798-4800

**Free Seminar  
Focuses on  
Retirement  
Living**

A free seminar entitled, "Making the Most of Retirement Living", will be held Friday, May 19, 1995 at the Radisson Inn - Airport, 175 Jefferson Road, Rochester, at 11:30 a.m. The seminar, sponsored by Acacia Village-a new full service rental retirement community located in Utica, will be followed by a luncheon.

The audience at this informative seminar will learn the latest trends and developments in retirement community living in the

United States and New York. They will also learn about how a retirement living community can enhance their quality of living.

Representatives from Acacia Village will be on hand to answer questions about retirement living and to present a video showing the many features and amenities of this retirement community located on the campus of the Masonic Home in Utica. Acacia Village features a 60 unit apartment complex with one and two bedroom units and a 28,000 square foot community center known as Acacia Commons. In addition to an indoor swimming pool and jacuzzi, the Village Commons features a fireplace lobby, terrace dining room, library, game room, cafe, hair care center and private dining room.

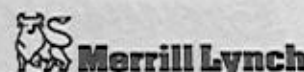
Monthly fees at the Acacia Village include maintenance and housekeeping, evening meals and all utilities except for telephone and cable television. No entrance fee is required.

Advance reservations are required for this seminar. For more information or to reserve space, call 800-593-3353 or 315-798-4775.

**David E. Larson  
Pittsford Financial Group**

- Financial Planning
- Investments
- Retirement Planning
- Business Financial Services
- Estate Planning

Member ERAC No. 943



The Barn Bazaar  
Jefferson and Clover  
Pittsford, New York 14534  
716-383-5740  
800-234-9750  
FAX 716-385-6253



# Scottish Rite NEWS

Consistory - Chapter of Rose Croix - Council of Princes of Jerusalem - Lodge of Perfection



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



### Feast of the Paschal Lamb

Rochester Chapter of Rose Croix presented the Feast of the Paschal Lamb Ceremony on April 6th. This Ceremony, under the direction of David C. Clarke, Most Wise Master, proved to be very successful. Over 100 people attended and witnessed the excellent work of the members of the cast. This is a Feast of spiritual thought and rich pageantry presented each year as a Memorial Service to honor our Brothers who have passed to their celestial home during the preceding year. We were delighted that Ill.: Harold L. Aldrich, 33° Active was able to join us that evening. We appreciate his continued support of our programs.

### Reunion

As I write this message, directors and casts are rehearsing and preparing for our up and coming Reunion of April 20-22. Your Membership Development Committee, co-chaired by Stephen R. Whittaker and Charles C. Spiegel, Jr., 32° MS, have been very busy developing programs to increase our membership. We expect to have a good representation in the Ill.: Robert N. Forest, 33°, Class. Much of this success is due to their hard work and our Brothers securing new members.

Many thanks to all of you who helped us in our Membership Drive. Remember, we have another Reunion scheduled for this Fall.

### Election of Officers

The Election of Officers in the Lodge, Council and Chapter will be held on May 4th.

### Annual Banquet

Our Annual Scottish Rite Banquet, honoring the Class, will be held on May 6th at the Holiday Inn Airport. Co-chairmen, David C. Clarke and Donald A. Rose have made excellent arrangements for this event. There will be entertainment and dancing for your enjoyment and pleasure. I hope you have marked your calendar and are planning to attend this great event.

### We need your support

As I have said before, your Officers, Degree Directors, Cast and Committees are working hard for the good of the Scottish Rite. Please do your part and support our programs and events.

I am looking forward to seeing you at our functions. □

## Hospitaler's Report

By Thomas M. Paglia, 32° MS

Joseph Martin, 33° is at home recovering from carotid artery surgery and at this writing, Jay Painton is in the Park Ridge Hospital.

Larry E. Foster, 33° is at home recovering from surgery on his leg. He and Cathy will soon be moving to Colorado. They will be missed.

If you know of anyone that is ill or in need of assistance, please call the Scottish Rite Office at 271-0715 or me at 227-2046. I hope this report finds you in good health. □

Don't be discouraged; it's often the last key in the bunch that opens the lock.

## Membership Development Team Report

The Scottish Rite Membership Development Team has been very active since the beginning of this year. Our goal is to develop ways in which the Valley of Rochester may take the lead by initiating programs which will enable us to attract new members. We will continue to develop new methods that will attract Brother Masons to our organization. We are well aware that everything we do will not be successful, but that will not deter us from our main goal. The Team invites all of our members to assist in this endeavor. We know that together we will succeed.

It is interesting to note that in all of the 21 Masonic Lodges in the 1st and 2nd Monroe Districts, only 889 Brothers have joined the Scottish Rite. This bit of information shows that we have a wide open market to address with our efforts.

Some of the areas we hope to address in the near future are:

1. Reunion Overview (What can be done to improve our efforts and make new Brothers feel good about us?)
2. Direct Mail Strategies
3. Ambassador Focus
4. Many other ideas!

We are very fortunate to have a team of dedicated members who are committed to the job. Included are our Commander-in-Chief, Ill.: Rodney R. Rittenhouse, 33°; 1st Lt. Commander, Ill.: Patrick J.S. McNenny, 33°; 2nd Lt. Commander, Ronald D. Mertens; Sovereign Prince, Robert E. Cameron; Thrice Potent Master, Gordon J. Ball; (Co-chairmen), Stephen R. Whittaker and Charles C. Spiegel, Jr., 32° MS; Craig Mollon; and Garry R. Hutcherson. These Brothers, along with R.:W.: Herbert Spencer and R.:W.: Richard C. Friedman, representing Grand Lodge, and Assistant Rabban, Erwin Newell, and High Priest and Prophet, Joseph E. Bourcy III from Damascus Temple. As you can see, this is truly a Masonic Membership Team, dedicated to furthering the growth of Masonry. □

## Credit Card Program

MBNA (Maryland Bank), the bank that handles our credit card program, has offered a challenge. Their company will donate \$10,000 to the Children's Learning Centers if the Scottish Rite Masons collectively can submit a sufficient number of applications to approve 1,000 new cardholders. □

## New Learning Centers

The May issue of *The Northern Light* will publicize the Learning Centers including the fund raising activities that will lead to the establishment of an endowment fund sufficient to carry out its programs. Enclosed with *The Northern Light* will be a pre-addressed envelope for those who may wish to express their financial support for this charity. □

## Notice

### Change in By-Laws

At the Scottish Rite Meeting on May 4, 1995, a proposal to change the Rules and Regulations of the Valley of Rochester, originally presented at the All Bodies Meeting, January 5, 1995, will be presented for final approval. These changes update and completely rearrange the old Rules and Regulations and significantly change the Election of Officers of each Subordinate Body.

The new proposal specifies that the top three Officers, as well as the Treasurer and Secretary, in each Body be elected. The other Officers will be appointed by the Presiding Officer of that Body. The Chairman of the Committee on Constitutions, Laws and Jurisprudence of the Supreme Council and the Deputy for New York State have approved these revisions.

Copies of the proposed By-Laws are available to anyone who wishes to review them before the final vote. Please call the Scottish Rite Office to arrange to pick up a copy if you wish to review them.

The vote will be the first order of business at the May 4th Meeting, and if approved, the election of Officers of the Bodies will follow the new procedure. □

## Scottish Rite Masonic Museum and Library, Inc.

The 1995 annual meeting of the Corporation was held at the Museum at Lexington on Saturday, January 21. Ill.: Bruce W. Widger, 33° Active and Deputy, of Marcellus, NY, was elected to the Board of Directors to fill the vacancy occasioned by the retirement of Arthur J. Kurtz, of Harrisburg, PA. John W. McNaughton of Fort Wayne, IN, was chosen as Vice President of the Corporation to succeed the retiring Arthur J. Kurtz in that capacity.

Richard W. Parker of South Williston, Vermont, was elected a member of the Executive Committee and also as a successor to Arthur J. Kurtz.

Following a review of the proposed budget for the calendar year 1995 and upon motion duly made and seconded, it was voted unanimously to approve a 1995 Museum operating budget total-

ing \$2,084,000 and in addition, a capital expenditure budget of \$100,000. (Courtesy Supreme Council Working Tools) □

Together  
we can make  
a medical  
breakthrough

Schizophrenia is a devastating mental illness that destroys young lives.

For 60 years now, we have led the search for a cure for this disease through the Scottish Rite Schizophrenia Research Program.

Although the cause and cure still elude us, the research programs we support have made significant discoveries related to schizophrenia... and all efforts contribute to the eventual solution.

With your contribution to this year's Blue Envelope Appeal, you will be helping to find the next medical breakthrough.

Please give.



Supreme Council Charities:  
1994-1995 Blue Envelope Appeal

## Value of a Smile

It costs nothing, but creates much.

It enriches those who receive, without impoverishing those who give.

It happens in a flash and the memory of it sometimes lasts forever.

None are so rich they can get along without it and none so poor but are richer for its benefits.

It creates happiness in the home, fosters good will in a business, and is the countersign of friends.

It is rest to the weary, daylight to the discouraged, sunshine to the sad, and Nature's best antidote for trouble.

Yet, it cannot be bought, begged, borrowed or stolen, for it is something that is no earthly good to anybody 'til it is given away!

Nobody needs a smile so much as those who have none left to give. □

## "PLANNING SHOWS THAT YOU CARE."

You probably have personal preferences about what should and what should not be included in funeral services. To make these wishes a matter of record, many caring individuals are pre-arranging their own funerals at Crawford Funeral Home. Their planning will provide help for those left behind when it's needed most.

Our counsel on pre-arranged funerals is always available without cost or obligation. Please give us a call.

**Crawford**  
FUNERAL HOME INC.

495 NORTH WINTON RD.  
(RT. 590 BROWNCROFT Exit  
between Atlantic Ave.  
& Humboldt St.)  
(716) 482-0400



David P. Crawford



27th Capitular District - RAM  
8th Cryptic District - R&SM  
Zone 11 - KT

# York Rite NEWS

York Rite College  
Judas Maccabeus

## District Deputy Grand High Priest

Royal Arch Masons  
27th Capitular District



Rt. Exc. Vernon L. Goodrich  
377-0367

My Official Visits are as follows: Dansville-May 9th; Livonia-May 15th or 26th; Hiram-May 25th; and Webster-June 14th.

### Picnic time

It is expected that we will have a large turnout for the Hiram Picnic on June 8th. The York Rite is joining us; we will recognize scholarship recipients, and all those who gave \$25.00 or more to the Scholarship Fund in 1994.

### Fine Class

Congratulations to Tom Paglia and Hiram Chapter on a fine (7) Spring Candidate Class. Let's make the Fall Class even larger!

### Reminder

Don't forget your 4 year pledge to help in doubling the Scholarship Endowment by our Bi-Centennial Celebration in 1998. □

## Hiram Chapter No. 62



2nd & 4th  
Thursdays

Thomas M. Paglia, EHP

227-2048

Richard J. Oliver, Secretary

594-2388

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

By Thomas Paglia, EHP

Summer vacation is fast approaching; wouldn't it be a nice gesture for a visit to a meeting before we all go our separate ways to enjoy the Summer months? You all, by now, have received the program, officer's list and the Hiram Chapter news. Have you read it yet? Have you posted the program in a conspicuous place? Will you attend?

### A challenge!

Your attendance at each and every meeting is very important and a vital stimulant to the life blood of our Chapter. The Chapter needs you. How about attending a dinner with your wife, girlfriend, or companion? There are very interesting people you can socialize with, or after the meet-

ing, if you are a Euchre player, try your luck against R..E.. Vernon Goodrich, Comp. David Jones, Comp. Glenn Ide, or Comp. Duane Manchester, just to name a few. Here are four of the best, the challenge is on, care to participate?

### Trestleboard for May

There will be a rehearsal for the Holy Royal Arch Degree on May 9th.

## District Deputy's Official Visit

Hiram Chapter  
May 25, 1995

All Chapter Officers are to attend!

Dinner 6:30 p.m.

Auditorium Cafe'

\$7.95 per person

Roast Beef - Chicken Breast

Call 227-2046

If no answer, leave message.

### Note

It is a must that all Hiram Officers be at the Official Visit. Companions, won't you try to make it that evening? For any dinner reservations, call me at 227-2046. If there is no answer, wait for the answering service and leave a message as to what you would like for your dinner.

### Communicate

If you hear of any of our Companions who are ill or need assistance, please call R..E.. Richard Oliver at 594-2388 or me.

### Sickness

On the sick list are: Ron Brown's wife; V..E.. William Zufall's daughter; R..E.. Fred Holderle will enter the hospital for a knee operation.

Cora and I were away the first week of April visiting our 18 month old grandson who splintered the tibia bone in his leg.

### Scholarship Fund

Don't forget to send in your donation towards the Royal Arch Scholarship Fund. For every \$500 our Chapter receives, we get it back for our own students who will be going to college. □

## Hiram Chapter Picnic

June 8, 1995

Mendon Ponds Park

Stewart Lodge

Arrive 5 p.m.

Dine 6:30 p.m.

Bring: a Dish to Pass,  
place settings, any  
game you wish to play  
Meats and other  
Goodies will be  
supplied.

Honoring those who  
contributed \$25+ to the  
Scholarship Fund

## 3x3 Chapter NO. 333 Royal Arch Masons

(Chartered in 1990)



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

Karl H. Reich, High Priest

426-6836

Robert F. Dagen, Secretary

548-7148

133 S. Union Street

Spencerport, N.Y. 14559

By Karl Reich, EHP

Companions, a personal thank you for attending our Convocations up to now. We have had the opportunity to open our Chapter in due form on six occasions and on one occasion as an informal meeting; keep up the good work.

### Past High Priests' Luncheon

Three Times Three Chapter No. 333 was well represented at the last Past High Priests' Association of Western New York meeting, which was held at the Candlelight Restaurant in Batavia. After a good dinner and the conducting of business, we held the Election of Officers for the ensuing year. One of our own, R..E.. Ruel Lovett, was elected to the position of President of this Organization. Congratulations, Ruel.

### Grand Lecturer's Convention

Five Companions from our Chapter, including yours truly, attended the enlightening and educational evening relating to the work of the Ritual of the Holy Royal Arch. This event was under the direction of R..E.. Hobert C. Cook, Grand Lecturer of the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of the State of New York. He informed us that there is a ritual modification and simplification in process at the present time and should become available this Fall to the Companions of the Holy Royal Arch. All the Chapters of the 29th Capitular District were represented at this event.

### Royal Arch Festival

The Conferral of the Degrees was held at Western Star Chapter No. 35 in Batavia, on Saturday, April 1st. Twenty Companions were Exalted to the Degree of the Holy Royal Arch. The Degrees were conferred by members of the 29th Capitular District. Three Times Three Chapter No. 333 was responsible for the conferral of the Mark Master Mason Degree. Special thanks are in order to R..E.. Vern Rupert of Western Star Chapter No. 35, R..E.. James L. Pickering of Arcade Chapter No. 322 and E.. Keith Denton of LeRoy Chapter No. 183, for their respective assistance in filling chairs at the last moment. This kind of cooperation makes these types of ceremonies a success. Our Chapter benefited in number due to the Exaltation of Companion George Simon. Congratulations, George-welcome aboard.

### Official Visit

The Official Visit of R..E..

Gary Thompson was held on April 19th, preceded by a dinner at the Pilot House Restaurant. R..E.. Companion Gary presented the Message of the Grand High Priest of Royal Arch Masons, State of New York, M..E.. Bruce Renner. The Message was interesting and informative.

### Future events

Two programs are scheduled for the month of May. V..E.. James MacConnell will lecture on the Ritual, meanings and conferral of the Mark Master Mason Degree on May 3rd.

On May 17th V..E.. William R. Zufall, AGL of the 27th Capitular District will be presenting a program on 'Masonic Topics'. I would like to make a special appeal to my Companions to be in attendance at these events.

I trust that all of my Companions and friends had a very enjoyable Easter and Passover. See you at our next Convocation. □

## Doric Council No. 19

Cryptic Masons

(Chartered in 1861)

William R. Zufall, III., Master

271-0795

L. Edward Walker, Recorder

647-2382



+  
3rd  
Wednesdays  
+

Masonic Temple

875 Main St. East

Rochester, N.Y. 14605

By Ill.. Master William Zufall

### Table Council

Companions, by the time you read this column, our Third Annual Table Council will have entered the pages of Doric Council's history. I trust that you found it as stimulating and enjoyable as I did. This was much better attended than last year, and I thank you for your support. Actually, your own pleasure in the event is the best thanks I can give you.

### Thanks for the memories

It has been a real pleasure for me to serve as your Illustrious Master for the past year, and I sincerely hope you feel I have made a proper job of it. As I leave the East and the fellowship of the Council of Kings, I take with me, many happy memories. I only regret that we were not able to stage the Super Excellent Master Degree, nor did we manage to get the Long Range Planning Committee off the ground. Perhaps that will happen soon, at least. I'm sure you will give Companion Doug Poole the same fine support you have given me.

### Meeting change

Please note that our May meeting will be on the fourth Wednesday, May 24th, instead of the usual third Wednesday, May 17th. This is due to a Commandery conflict that would take so many of our Officers away, it would be ridiculous to try to hold an Annual Meeting and Installation. There will be a dinner before the meeting, but I don't have the details at this point. Please call either myself at 271-0795 or Doug Poole at 584-3601 for more details and to make reservations. This meeting will be the Annual Meeting, including Election and Installation of Officers. PLEASE make every effort to attend. Your Officers need your support.

Don't forget to mark your calendar with the changed meeting date of May 24th! □

**Genesee  
York Rite  
College No. 25**

Rochester, New York  
(Chartered July 14, 1962)

Arnold E. Palmer  
Pre. Em. Gov. 3247-8906

Lawrence W. Dunn  
Secretary 594-8033

By Roy E. Huff, reporter

### Easter Service

When you get to read this, the Easter Sunrise Service in Washington, DC will have been here and gone. Our Pre. Em. Gov. Arnold E. Palmer and all the Officers hope that all of you and your relatives had a very nice Easter. The weather is getting better and that is good.

### Annual Meeting

Our Annual Meeting is on May 13th at the Masonic Temple Northfield Lodge in Pittsford, NY at 3:00 p.m. The reading of reports and Election and Installation of Officers will take place. We will have dinner with the ladies at 5:30 p.m. at the Maplewood Inn on East Avenue. We will order off the menu. We always have had a good time and good food there. Call Robert Zahn at 381-3032 or write to him at 15 Woodland Rd, Pittsford, NY 14534, for reservations. They must be made before May 5th. Let's have a good turnout.

### Everybody's OK

We have had no new sickness or deaths to report at this writing. Lila Beardsley is feeling much better now. Let's keep in touch with those who may be ill or in distress. Please notify me of the same.

I believe that is all for now except to wish you a good Summer. I hope to see you all on May 13th at Northfield Lodge. □

## RONALD J. BERTIE (Business Consultant)

- Profit Improvement
- Total Quality and Innovation Leadership Programs
- Creative Problem Solving
- Management Training Programs

79 Jefreelind Drive  
Rochester, NY 14616  
(716) 225-6348



NY Grand Commandery

## R.:W.: Earle J. Hino, Jr. Guest Speaker at 1995 Joint Investiture



Friday, May 19 will be the date for the 1995 Joint Investiture for the 1st and 2nd Monroe Districts. This annual event provides an opportunity for all newly elected Masters to receive the "Secrets of the Chair", in the company of their peers from other Lodges prior to their Installations.

### Women and Freemasonry

Continued from page 21

Grand Lodge and the Grand Orient of France is precisely that the latter will accept 'members' of the Co-Masonry Lodges as members also of their Order. That the Order of Co-Masons has persisted is evidenced by the production for them in 1982 of a bronze medalion to commemorate the centenary of Maria Deraismes's initiation. What is also interesting is that in 1918 Miss Alicia St. Leger Aldworth, a direct descendant of our first woman 'initiate', was a candidate for the Order of Universal Co-Masonry.

Looking at the present day scene, then, confirms that in addition to the organizations in the U.S.A. involving wives and daughters socially, and allowing for those wives still in England and Wales who cook the meals and in some case, wait at table on their menfolk, there is plenty of scope for women in Freemasonry. What needs to be recognized by those outside our movement is that such opportunities already exist.

#### Three Points for the Future

Is there yet a way forward, in addition to this present involvement? I believe that there is and here, of course, I can only speak from an English and Welsh point of view. Any comments that you, the audience, may care to add as to possible Canadian/North American developments will be welcomed for my general enlightenment.

1. I am sure that the wives and relatives of present day Freemasons deserve more involvement than simply as cooks, dancing or dining partners on Ladies' Nights, or organizers and helpers at charity functions. In my present Province of York the ladies are invited into the Temple, sit with their husbands who are in full regalia

Providing support for the evening will be the Purple Club in the Stations and Places, and the presence of outgoing and other Past Masters. R.:W.: Maurice Solomon will present the lesson of the Legend which provides fertile ground in which to plant the seed of the "Secrets".

As the highlight of the evening Deputy Grand Master (as of this writing) R.:W.: Earle J. Hino, Jr., will be the featured speaker in his first visit to the Monroes as (anticipated) Grand Master.

A Stuffed Breast of Chicken Dinner with salad, vegetable and dessert will be served at 6:30 p.m. sharp in the 3rd Floor Dining Room. The price will be \$7.00 and a reservation can be made with your Lodge Master.

Master's pictures for the *Masonic Times* may be taken in the Masonic Service Bureau following the Investiture Service. The cost will be a \$10.00 donation. □

and in their normal places in Lodge, and someone like myself explains to them basic facts about the Craft and its history or meaning. After 10 such presentations in 2 years, I know that this works and the wife whom I first mentioned would now be much more satisfied.

2. The time surely has to come when we recognize the Honorable Fraternity of Ancient Masons. In 1933 Elsie Anderson wrote as follows: "So far the United Grand Lodge of England has not officially recognized Women Freemasons. I am sure, however, that their attitude cannot be maintained forever. The Honorable Fraternity would only wish to be recognized as the Women's branch. They have no wish to actually work with men in the Lodges. After all, if a woman is good enough to be the wife, mother, sister, or daughter of a Mason, she ought to be good enough to be his 'Brother'. The Men's Order recognizes the colored races, but refuses recognition of their own kith and kin."

Perhaps the new decision of our Grand Lodge to recognize Prince Hall Masonry may be just the step that will open wider the acknowledgement that would embrace, if not admit, women Freemasons. I personally hope so.

3. Lastly, I am sure, the new social atmosphere in which husbands and wives naturally share more of their time, possessions and interests than was the case even 50 years ago, will require that unless women are allowed to participate and learn more fully about our movement, then there will be fewer candidates, much more heartache and unnecessary antagonism. What is needed is a broader mind, some inventive programs and the awareness of what Speculative Freemasonry sought to achieve at the very outset - as in Anderson's Constitutions in 1723, which states, "to enable those who might otherwise have remained at a perpetual distance to be drawn into closer and regular fellowship". That once referred to sects and political opinions, now it has to also include gender. □

Do not worry about whether or not the sun will rise: be prepared to enjoy it.

## Are you an Eagle Scout?

I am, find me!

As you may know, Grand Lodge encourages recognition of Eagle Scouts. To do this we have a valuable tool which is only a phone call away, 1-800-3Mason4. This tool is a certificate from Grand Lodge. When received, it should be signed by the Master, framed and presented at the Scout's Eagle Court of Honor. Unfortunately, this tool seldom leaves the tool box. Here in the Monroes, *this is about to change*. Recently, R.:W.: Ronald D.

Mertens and R.:W.: Scott Seltzer met with Mr. Richard Satterlee, Program Director for the Otetiana Council, Boy Scouts of America. At this meeting a variety of ideas were discussed regarding how we in the Monroes could better recognize and honor Eagle Scouts. The meeting was a success with several ideas bearing fruit. These programs will be presented in detail in future issues of the *Masonic Times* as planning continues. A Task Force is currently being assembled to assure success of these new and exciting ideas.

An immediate request has been made to enlist our support to locate past Eagle Scouts who may be within reach of this publi-

May 1995  
cation. If you are a past Eagle Scout, please take a moment and fill out the accompanying form and send it to the address listed on the questionnaire. If you know of a past Eagle Scout please forward the form to them. Additional forms may be obtained from the Otetiana Council Office at (716) 244-2410 or me.

Anyone interested in joining our Task Force should contact me at (716) 473-3515. The time has come for us to HONOR these truly deserving young men. What better way is there for Masons in the Monroes to step forth and show our communities how much we appreciate these fine young men. □

OTETIANA COUNCIL

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

### EAGLE SEARCH QUESTIONNAIRE



Return to:

Otetiana Council, Inc.  
Boy Scouts of America  
474 East Avenue  
Rochester, New York 14607

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE #: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (B) \_\_\_\_\_

EMPLOYMENT: \_\_\_\_\_

EMPLOYER: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE EAGLE RECEIVED: \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE EARNED: \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER SCOUTING EXPERIENCE: \_\_\_\_\_

ARE YOU PRESENTLY ACTIVE IN SCOUTING? \_\_\_\_\_

IF YES, IN WHAT CAPACITY? \_\_\_\_\_

CIVIC, FEDERAL AND BUSINESS ORGANIZATION INVOLVEMENT: \_\_\_\_\_

IN WHAT CAPACITY ARE YOU INTERESTED IN HELPING THE BOYS SCOUTS?: \_\_\_\_\_

THANK YOU FOR YOUR RESPONSE

### Humility

There was a young Vicar who when going to his first Parish, was determined that he was going to preach better sermons than anybody had ever preached, anywhere. So he set about the task.

He preached the first Sunday, the second, the third and so on. After the sixth Sunday, he finished the sermon, and while he stood at the door to shake hands, a little old lady came up and stood at the end of the line, waiting until everyone had left, she was very courteous. Then she asked, "Vicar, has anybody told you how wonderful you are?", and he said, "Why no!" To which she replied, "Then wherever did you get the idea?" (This story was told by Neville Cryer at the recent Philaethes Meeting before his presentation on "Women and Freemasonry".) □

Caring is everything

*Past  
Master's  
Supper Club*

President  
W.: L. Warren Patterson  
Secretary  
R.:W.: Robert Sanford  
292-6383

By W.: L. Warren Patterson  
Our "Tombstone Man" is back! Doug Poole will complete his "Tiptoe Through the Tombstones" Program on Friday evening, May 26th. This will be a very interesting presentation that you will not want to miss.

Our meeting location is the Red Men's Party House on Lexington Avenue. Social hour and Euchre are at 6:00 p.m., dinner at 7:00 p.m.  
Bring a Past Master with you. □

## United Way Campaign Reminder

You may contribute to the Masonic Service Bureau through your Company United Way Campaign. All that is necessary is to fill out a "Donor Designation" card. Under choice #3 indicate The Masonic Service Bureau, Agency (No. 1060) and the name is "Masonic Service Bureau of Rochester Inc."



### "One Trip Plumber"

call 288-6997

FRANK H. SCHUTHI  
Plumbing, Inc.

670 Winton Rd. North

Plumbing + Heating

"We have our tools with us"

# Monroe Masonic Grand Ball

By Don Brugger

Over 140 Brothers, their wives, families and guests gathered at the Diplomat Party House to socialize and honor the Recipient of the DeWitt Clinton Award. The presentation by M.W. Gary A. Henningsen was received by Gay-LeClerc Qader on behalf of the Adam Walsh Center.

The Grand Master delivered a spirited discourse on the pride we should feel in the Fraternity and its ideals. He urged us to make no secret of this and to stand up for what we feel is right and moral. We should make no secret of the abundance the Fraternity has to offer.

Almost eclipsing the Grand Master's Address was a fabulous Dessert Bar, which few resisted.

The Silent Auction netted a cool \$550 for the Masters and Wardens' Campership Fund. □



Gay-LeClerc Qader who received the DeWitt Clinton Award for the Adam Walsh Center.



Grand Master M.W. Gary A. Henningsen presenting the DeWitt Clinton Award to Gay-LeClerc Qader on behalf of the Adam Walsh Center.



Another happy group at the Grand Ball. (Clockwise) Arnold Palmer, Karl Brandt and wife, Donn Stevens and wife, Bill Zufall, Vern and Barbara Goodrich and Jean Brugger.



One of the happy groups at the Grand Ball. (Clockwise) Craig Covert and wife, Ron and Barbara Mertens, Dave Taber, Paul Josephson and unknown.



Grand Master Henningsen and Grand Marshal Malfatti with the two "Dollies" they "picked up" at the Grand Ball.



By R.W. Harold Bollotin

On Sunday afternoon, April 9th, a visit was made to the VA Medical Center, under the direction of the "Old Work Horse", R.W. Tom Paglia. This was the final visit of the current season. The next scheduled visit for Masonic Volunteers will be held on Sunday, October 8th.

### Regular Volunteers

The regular volunteers representing the Service Bureau were: R.W. Tom and Cora Paglia, R.W. Harold and Sylvia Bollotin, R.W. Paul and Doris Robertson, W. Courtland Young and June Moon.

During the course of our rounds of the wards, we met a patient named James Jarjura, who had lived in Rochester and worked for the *Times Union*. We further learned that he was acquainted with R.W. Mat Gingold and R.W. Paul Robertson who were his fellow workers at the newspaper. R.W. Paul was particularly pleased to have a visit with him.

### Germania Lodge Visitation

We were very pleased to welcome and greet a great delegation from Germania Lodge, 6 Brothers and 2 ladies. They were: W. David Foster, W. John Foster, W. Nelson (current Master) and Sharon Bertch, W. Heinz Gunkel, Bro. Andy McBride, and Bro. Robert McBride. They did a great job of conversing with the patients, especially our Masonic Brothers. They assisted in the distribution of refreshments. Thank you very much for your participation. Your visit was appreciated.

### Special patients

As always, our main purpose is to visit with and bring cheer to all the patients. However, we always devote additional time to our hospitalized Brothers. We visited with: W. Jesse Mattson, Bro. John Gorgerson, Bro. Gordon Field and Bro. George LaFontaine. We were very well received and everyone enjoyed our visit.

W. David Foster, of Germania Lodge, was particularly interested in visiting with W. Jesse Mattson as they were both Masters in 1978.

### Breakfast

Prior to the hospital visit, the monthly meeting of the "Knife and Fork Masons" was held, and breakfast enjoyed at the Canandaigua Masonic Temple. It was prepared by Master Chef, Bro. Ron Edwards and his staff. This was the final breakfast meeting for the VA volunteers at that Masonic Temple. It has been sold and at this writing, Canandaigua Lodge has not chosen another meeting place.

R.W. Paul Robertson is protesting this regretful state of events and is threatening to go on a hunger strike. I have doubts that he will go through with it. His ravenous appetite will not permit it. □



Bro. Don Darrohn, Mickey Darrohn and W. Richard Kessler visit the VA Hospital in Canandaigua.



Don Rose of Seneca Lodge, Courtland Young and Harold Bollotin of Valley Simes Lodge with W. Jesse Mattson, 1978 Master of Penfield Union Lodge.



Tom Paglia, Harold Bollotin, June Moon, Don Rose, Cora Paglia, Terry Wihlen and Sylvia Bollotin.



Group of VA visitors from ERAC Lodge and family members, left over from the Christmas Gift Distribution, better late than never!



Group from Germania Lodge visits the VA Hospital in Canandaigua

## Women and Freemasonry

Introduction by Don Brugger

The V.:W.: and Rev. Neville Cryer, member of Quatro Coronati Lodge of Research and noted Masonic speaker, was graciously provided through the Toronto Research Society for the Finger Lakes Chapter of the Philalethes Society. Additional support for Rev. Cryer's appearance was supplied by the Monroe Bureau of Masonic Education, the Purple Club of Monroe County and the Masonic Service Bureau of Rochester, Inc. The person responsible for the actual contact was Edmund V. Ralph, member of the Toronto Masonic Research Society.

At the open March meeting of the Finger Lakes Chapter, held at the Diplomat Banquet Center, over 80 members, their wives and guests assembled and were jolly well entertained by the English visitor from across the big pond.

As was stated in previous issues of the Masonic Times, Brother Cryer is a Past Provincial Grand Master of Surrey and Past Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of England. His presentation was dynamic, scholarly and very entertaining. It was especially enjoyed by the ladies present.

We bring to you, in this issue, the entire text of Rev. Cryer's presentation and some asides, lifted from a tape of the presentation provided by Bill Edwards, present Secretary of the Finger Lakes Chapter. We hope that you will enjoy it as much as we did.

### Women and Freemasonry

By V.:W.: and Rev. Neville B. Cryer

It is some 15 years ago now that I was rung up one evening by a rather distressed wife of a Freemason who wanted my advice. She had heard my name mentioned by another wife and she therefore determined to make this contact. "Just what is this Freemasonry", she asked, "in which my husband is so deeply involved, but about which he will tell me nothing? In every other respect we are a normally married couple who share so much, but in this regard he shuts up like a clam and refuses to say a word. You are a clergyman and a Freemason, so I cannot believe that the movement is something disreputable. If that is the case, then why cannot my husband share things about it with me? I am really upset about this and I would value your advice."

I start with this incident not only because it touches on one important aspect of the subject on which you have invited me to talk to you today, but also because I am sure that it represents and has for long represented a concern that women have felt about our Order. Not only will that heartfelt appeal never leave me, but I then began to be, and have since been, all too well aware

that to imagine that 'Women and Freemasonry' is a taboo subject, or even an apparent non-starter, is seeking to avoid reality. Whilst it may be a fact, and one that I believe will remain a fact for the foreseeable future, that our form of Freemasonry is one into which women will not be admitted as members, it cannot any longer be contended that Freemasonry has no place whatever for some participation by women. What I hope to have amply demonstrated, or it may be for some present, 'brought again to mind', by the end of this talk, is that for long enough they have established their connection with it. This lecture therefore now divides into evidence from the past, the present situation and some possible prospects for the future.

#### Glimpses of the past

It may not be generally known that in the Ordinances of the London Masons dated 1481, we find mention of a practice that was even then apparently well established. The Operative Brethren were commanded to go to Mass every year on the Feast of the Quatuor Coronati (the Four Crowned Martyrs) and every other year on the Octave (that is, a week after) the Feast of Holy Trinity, and following worship they were "to keep dinner or honest recreation...and any to have their wives with them, if they will". The Mason's dinner cost twelve pence and his wife's eight pence and the two sums together represented just under half a week's wages for a Master Mason. Having the ladies present was not therefore something idly undertaken. Medieval Masons counted their coins just like we do.

By the 18th Century we have ample evidence that not only were ladies often present at the Annual Service in the Parish Church on the day of the Lodge Installation, but they were also invited to the dinner that used to follow. Sometimes the minutes give a strange impression as to what exactly was intended, for the Kent Lodge No. 15 recorded that 'wives' were invited to dinner in 1797, the next year it was 'sisters' and the year following it was 'partners or sweethearts'. You must draw your own conclusions about who came.

The Brethren of the well-named True Love and Unity Lodge at Brixham in Devon, met at the Lodge room at 9:00 a.m. on St. John's Day in 1811, opened the Lodge, did essential business, closed it and then proceeded to church in procession wearing regalia with their wives or such female or friend they may choose to bring with them; afterwards adjourning to the Lodge room for dinner. In 1818 we know that for that occasion they had 1/2 gallon of rum and 1/2 gallon of gin, at least. Moving further west and earlier, to Penrhyn in Cornwall in 1793, we are told that though the ladies only joined their menfolk after the former had dined, yet the 50 ladies were formally welcomed by the Master and Brethren. Furthermore, 'the M.:W.: Grand Master called for a Charge and on Bro. Turner to render the Entered Apprentice's song, after which the M.:W.: Grand Master directed his Deputy to return thanks to the ladies with three x three'.

Mind you, the Brethren could sometimes be a little mean. At Redruth in Cornwall in 1815 it was decided that as the wine and



Rev. V.:W.: Neville Cryer



Edmund V. Ralph of the Toronto Research Society, Co-Sponsor of Rev. Cryer's visit.

fruit provided on such an occasion for the ladies, increased the expenses of the day beyond what many in the Lodge could afford, these items would be dispensed with in the future, as the ladies came only to 'behold their husbands, sons and brothers met together for charitable purposes in love and harmony', and not to eat and drink. Out of a total bill for the last occasion of £ 78, the ladies had cost them £ 2. Not very hospitable or charitable, me thinks.

In some of the oldest Lodges in Cheshire, there was another interesting custom. On St. John's Day, 1789, and in the Lodge at the Coach and Horses Inn, Chester, it was announced that a Miss Edwards was appointed Lady Patroness of the Society of Masons, whilst in 1823, presumably on the former lady's decease or marriage, a Miss Mainwaring was nominated for this role by no less than the Rev. Philip Egerton, a relative of the noble family that was to provide many of the P.G.Ms. of this Province.

In 1836 a new Lodge was consecrated in Chester and this was immediately followed by a service in St. John's Church where the new floor cloth of the Lodge was suspended from the pulpit. The Provincial Grand Chaplain preached over this very revealing object. It is said that his sermon was not altogether followed, as the ladies were so eager to discuss the items on it. After the services, the ladies accompanied their men to a following banquet, albeit they sat at a separate pair of tables. In Cheshire, as in York and elsewhere, it was quite normal for the ladies to accompany their menfolk to the Masonic theatrical performances that were given in local theatres. Not only did the Brethren wear aprons, but even got on the stage and took part in the performances and you will be pleased to know that in many cases, the Masons were said to have performed their parts better than the actors, which goes to show what Ritual will do for you. Whilst these are examples of

the 'social' engagements of women in their menfolk's activities, there are other cases of something that looks much more intimate. In the records of the Corpus Christi Guild at York in 1408, it is noted that an Apprentice to the operative Masons, had to swear to obey 'the Master, or Dame, or any other ruling Freemason': and in case anyone should think that such a title meant perhaps only the Master's living partner, it is worth noting that as late as 1683 the records of the Lodge of Mary's Chapel in Edinburgh provide an instance of a female occupying the position of 'Dame' or 'Mistress' in a fully Masonic sense. The case in point was the widow of a Mason, but she exercised an equal right with other operative Masons and is declared to have gone through the same ceremonies.

In 1693 we have the York Manuscript No. 4 belonging to the Grand Lodge of York, which relates how when an Apprentice is admitted the 'elders taking the Booke, he or shee [sic] that is to be made Mason shall lay their hands thereon, and the charge shall be given'. Now I have to tell you, that my predecessors in Masonic research in England from Hughen and Vibert and from all the rest onward, have all tried to pretend that the shee is merely a misspelling for they. I now am the Chairman of the Heritage Committee of York. I know these documents, I've examined them and I'm telling you, they say she, without any question. Of course, we have a problem, haven't we; to try to explain that. My predecessors would not try to explain this, they were too male oriented. The fact remains that, there it is, in an ancient document of a 17th Century date. That this could have been the case seems all the more likely as that in 1696 two widows are named as members in the Operative Masons Court. Away in the South of England we read that in 1714, that's before the Grand Lodge of England, of Mary Bannister, the daughter of a barber in the town of Barking, being apprenticed as a Mason for 7 years with a fee of 5/- which she paid to the Company.

Of course it can be claimed that even these cases were with operative rather than speculative Freemasonry, but this is no longer so with some other women. The first, I am sure, you are well aware of. She was called the Hon. Mrs. Elizabeth Aldworth, though she is more frequently referred to by her maiden name of Elizabeth St. Leger, daughter of the 1st Viscount Doneraile (Donrul). The truest version of how this lady became involved with a Lodge is that she was busy in her father's house when the Lodge that he sum-

moned was meeting in the next room. As the wall between the two chambers was being repaired and there were some loose bricks she was not only able to hear, but actually see, some of the activities next door. When she had heard sufficient to know that she should listen no more, she tried to withdraw, but on opening her own room's door, found the family Butler armed with a sword as Tiler of the Lodge, in the corridor without. He challenged her, whereupon she screamed and collapsed in a faint to the floor. The Lodge members emerged and one of them immediately proposed death on the spot, but the lady's father being present, of course, urged something a little less drastic. On his proposal she was obligated and thus held to keep inviolate what she had heard and seen. All this, states the tombstone, took place in the County of Cork A.D. 1712; again, before there was a Grand Lodge in existence.

Another woman to discover some of the secrets was a Mrs. Beaton who lived in Norfolk in the middle of the 18th Century. She is said to have been able to enter a locked room next to the Lodge meeting place and by careful hearing to have learned all the secrets of the 1st Degree. She made her discovery known and was then offered initiation which she not only accepted, but you will be happy to know, paid for.

There was also the unscrupulous Mrs. Bell, the landlady of the Crown Inn, Newgate, near Newcastle on Tyne, who claimed to have discovered the secrets of Freemasonry by the following stratagem that was announced in an advertisement placed in the 'Weekly Chronicle':

"This is to acquaint the public that on Monday, the 1st instance being the Lodge or monthly meeting-night of the Free and Accepted Masons of the 22nd Regiment of Foot Lodge, Mrs. Bell, the landlady of the house, broke open the door with a poker, by which means she got into an adjacent room, made two holes through the wall and by that means discovered the secrets of Masonry, and knowing herself to be the first woman in the world that ever found out the secret, she said in the newspaper that she is willing to make it known to all her sex. Any lady that is desirous of learning the secrets of Freemasonry may do so by applying to me as a well-learned woman who has lived 15 years in or about Newgate."

(In Dorset, about 1779, a woman is said to have hidden herself in a clock case so as to overhear proceedings whilst in Chatham; a few years later another lady chose a cupboard as

Continued on page 21



Rev. Cryer's pre-lecture discourse to Rev. Gleason, who is trying to finish before the Reverend's lecture begins.

**Coldwell Banker**  
Helling Real Estate

For all your Real Estate needs  
in the Honouye, Bristol,  
Canadice and Bloomfield Area.

Where Honesty and Integrity  
mean more than profit.

229-5000

Check the Classified for our  
featured property of the month.

Robert Helling Owner/Broker



The "Freemasons Surprise" or "The Secret Discovered"

**Women and Freemasonry**  
*Continued from page 20*

her silent witness box. She was sadly discovered through her pet dog scenting her out, and she was also made a member of the Craft to preserve her silence. Though minutes of the Lodge do not record the incident, it is known that this latter event took place in connection with the Royal Kent Lodge of Antiquity, No. 20.)

It was likewise a native of Kent, England, whose career in the Craft, though short, is revealed in a scarce print entitled *The Freemasons Surprised, or the Secret Discovered: a True Tale from a Masons' Lodge in Canterbury*. The item consists of a poem below an engraving which shows the interior of a large tavern in which a Masonic meeting is in progress. On a central table are three candlesticks, one overturned (or is it laid down to indicate a meeting in progress?) and one broken, a bowl of punch, glasses, rummers, pipes and tobacco. (The ladies should know that is how the Masons of that period carried on.) The ceiling has been broken through by the weight of a young woman who had been concealed in the loft. Her legs in stockings and shoes are exposed as far as her hips, and suggest that she was struggling in mid-air above the astonished and confused Freemasons, some of whom are angry, but others convulsed with laughter.

Whether this was fact or fiction, we cannot be certain, but there is no questioning the story of 1783 in New Brunswick where 10,000 refugees from the U.S. were settled. Meetings of Masons were held in private homes and James Sproule invited Brethren to use his log Cabin. This humble abode only had two rooms, so when the men arrived James' wife, Mary, picked up her knitting and went through the curtains that separated off the other room. However subdued was the working that night, Mary heard enough to let it be known that she was acquainted with their doings and was herself subsequently initiated. She is said to be Canada's only woman Mason, but she never attended another meeting, though her gravestone was adorned with the square and compasses. It is worth recording, perhaps, that one of her descendants became Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick in 1954.

(In the U.S.A. we have the stories of Catherine Babington of Princess Furnace in Kentucky. In 1831 she began, at the age of 16, to hide in the pulpit (sic) of the Lodge room, and did so for several months until at last found out by her uncle. She was entered, passed and raised in the Blue Degrees and when she died in 1886, it was claimed that she was

the only full female 'Master Mason' in the U.S.A.

In Taylorsville, North Carolina, a woman named Catherine Sweet concealed herself at meetings of the Lee Lodge No. 253 for more than a year. When she was finally discovered she could answer the whole of the extensive catechisms for the 3 Degrees and in 1840 she was initiated in the Lodge where 5 of her uncles were members. She never visited a Lodge again, but she is reported as having retained her interest in the Craft for the rest of her life.)

Not all female acquaintance with Freemasonry is intentional. When waiting in a Lodge dining room in a small town in Surrey, England, when I was Provincial Grand Master, whilst the Lodge opened in the Temple above, I was addressed by the wife of the hall caretaker. She was beginning to set the cutlery for the later meal. "You know, Sir," she said, "that new Master always makes a mess of opening the Lodge. I sometimes think I ought to go up there and do it for him."

Yet if this is enough of such female 'discoveries' it is not the only kind of activity in which women were involved in ceremonies that had some kind of Masonic association and content. Time and space prevent our next section from being exhaustive, but I hope that what I here describe will give the correct impression of the variety, the persistence and the enthusiasm with which forms of female Masonry flourished in the 18th and 19th Centuries.

There first appeared in France in the 1730s a form of Masonry called Adoptive, because it included certain Degrees for the ladies who had male relatives in the Regular Order. If certain people in the audience think I'm coming to something they know, they're right, this is the beginnings of ES. At that time there were already 4 Degrees of Apprentice, Companion, Mistress and Perfect Mistress. The principal Officers were a Grand Master and Grand Mistress, conjointly and they wore blue collars with a gold trowel pendant, white aprons and gloves. The jewel worn on the breast was a golden ladder with 5 rungs.

In 1740 we learn of an Order of Amazons that began its life in South America and then migrated to the Northern Continent where it flourished until at least 1800. There were Lodges of men and women separately.

In 1745 there was again in France an Order of the Knights and Ladies of the Anchor, where a nautical spirit prevailed. The Grand Orient was called the 'Roadstead', and Lodge was a 'Squadron' and the ladies made their voyage to the island of Felicity 'under the sails' of the Brethren. One hesitates to ask what

exactly was the content of their ritual.

The mood changed for others when in 1747 the Chevalier Beauchene (which name means 'Glorious Oaktree'), a famous Masonic Master in Paris, formed the Order of Woodcutters (or Fendeurs). It was open to both sexes and the forms of ritual were in many respects a copy of those used by the Italian secret societies called the 'Carbonari' (or Charcoal burners). The Lodge here was a woodyard which represented a forest, the Brethren were called Cousins, the candidate a 'Brick' and the whole rite was held in a garden at a place called 'New France' near Paris. The Father Master took up his place on a log, was crowned with leaves, and had a green cordon with a wedge of boxwood hanging from it, an axe in his hand, and a pipe in his mouth. Largely patronised by the upper bourgeoisie, its aim was to teach virtue, caring love, friendship and help for poorer folk.

Adoptive Masonry was given a still stronger boost when it was formally taken over by the Grand Orient of France in 1760. Although we cannot here enter into the details of this form of association, it ought to be said that each Lodge of women was under the care of a male Lodge and only regular Masons of the Grand Orient could be invited to visit the female units. The latter had a female President or Mistress, to rule over them. That this was not merely a French phenomenon is shown by the following title page of a booklet published in London in 1765. It reads:

**WOMEN'S MASONRY**

Or Masonry by Adoption  
Explaining the making of a  
Masoness with the form and  
furniture of the Lodge.  
The working of their Lectures,  
with their Signs, Tokens and  
grips clearly explained by a  
Sister Mason.

The booklet was printed for V. Hookham in Great Queen Street, London, Lincoln's Inn Fields (where the present United Grand Lodge has for two centuries had its headquarters) and V. Street at the Bible and Crown, Little Tower Hill.

An early member of the French branch was the Duchess of Chartres, wife of the Grand Master of the Grand Orient. She was succeeded by the Duchess of Bourbon in 1775 and in 1780 the Grand Mistress was the Princesse de Lamballe, a personal friend of Marie Antoinette. The Princess was put in prison in 1792 and on refusing to take the Revolutionary oath against the monarchy, she was sadly torn to pieces by the mob in that same year. In due time the wife of Napoleon, the Empress Josephine, joined the Order, as did her later successor, Eugenie, the wife of Napoleon III.

Meanwhile, a society which was deliberately modeled on Freemasonry was founded at Versailles in 1784 and known as the 'Knights and Ladies of the Dove'. It was especially favored by the Bourbon monarchy and, strange to say, was able to survive the Revolution and continued until the middle of the 19th Century.

It can thus be seen that the Adoptive Masonry that began to flourish in the U.S.A. in the 19th Century had a strong background of female interest and involvement to support it. Any idea that the share of women in bodies that were copies of or closely allied to

Freemasonry, is a 20th Century development is seen to be totally incorrect. What developed from these early stages we shall now look at in more detail, but no one who studies the topic of 'Women and Freemasonry' should ever forget that as far as the Speculative Craft is concerned, the ladies have been on the scene for a very long time-and some very influential ladies amongst others.

**The Present Scene**

There are those Masons in England and Wales who still speak today as if the idea of women being involved with Freemasonry is something quite unthinkable. This may explain why those who are critics of the Craft include some who point a finger of scorn at this 'all male' organization and ask why there is no place for women in the operation. It is as well, therefore, that any paper on this subject should specify once and for all the fact that women ARE ALREADY involved in Freemasonry and there is really ample opportunity for more women to be so engaged if they wish to be so.

Not that it is easy for an English Freemason to grasp that this is the case. I can well remember my surprise, as I went on a tour of some 80 Masonic Halls in Scotland, at noticing in almost all of them the provision made for 'The Rite of the Eastern Star'. Some of the halls were actually set up, on the day I called, for a meeting that afternoon or evening and I realised just how integrated male and female forms of Freemasonry were in that land. Here was an active Masonic movement in which the wives, widows, sisters and daughters of Freemasons were participating and on the very premises that were alternately occupied by their husbands, blood brothers, and so on. I am sure that in North America I do not need to spell out the details of this Rite (and especially as some present might even be members of it) but just in case there are some men present who do not know anything about it, I think I should state that since the idea began in the mid-19th Century, there have been five degrees which cater in sensible fashion for a daughter, widow, wife, sister, in a general benevolent concern. For those who want to learn more, may I commend the comprehensive article which my late lamented friend, Roy Wells, wrote in the 1993 issue of our *Quatour Coronati Transactions*. What is certain is that the 'Eastern Star' shows no signs of waning and is happily shining forth on both sides of the Atlantic, as well as elsewhere.

Flourishing also in England and Wales today is the Honorable Fraternity of Ancient Masonry which provides for women only the almost exact counterpart to regular male Masonry. It has been growing steadily in the years since 1950 and most of the cities and main towns in the kingdom have one, if not two, Lodges of this Order. What is interesting is to know that many of our keenest male Masons are the husbands of no less eager officers of this Fraternity and I am sure that there are some households in which the husband or wife do not need to rehearse their rituals by themselves. What is certain, from all accounts that I have been able to acquire, is that the women are, if anything, more particular than us men in insisting on the correct presentation of the Degree Rituals. Certainly I have firsthand knowledge of some of the ladies

involved, and those who bear Grand or Provincial office, take it very seriously indeed. What is absolutely clear is that this form of Freemasonry is here, and here to stay, and it is both odd and sad to note how some survey the Masonic scene in my land without accepting the fact that 'Women and Freemasonry' has here one of its strongest expressions.

There is, of course, also Co-Masonry, in which men and women, brothers and sisters, husbands and wives, can participate together in a form of Freemasonry, again very similar to our own. My first acquaintance with it was some 35 years ago when I was sent as part of a Lodge deputation to interview a possible candidate, meeting also with his wife at their home. We were most graciously received, allowed to start asking questions, and then the wife said, "I do assure you that my husband would make an excellent candidate because I have seen him at work with ritual." We were all flabbergasted and then, recovering, asked her what she meant. "Well," she said, "I am a Past Master in our Lodge and my husband has just finished as Senior Deacon and that is how I know." She revealed, of course, that the Lodge was a Co-Masonic one which we had never encountered before. For us it was a conundrum, as no one who has participated in any other Masonic or quasi-Masonic organization is normally allowed to apply for membership, let alone join. We asked for time to consider the matter, discovered that the Province would allow his application if he gave up his Co-Masonic membership, and if his wife was agreeable to this. She was, and the man has long since been through the chair of my first Surrey Lodge.

The Organization was really begun in France and took its effective rise from the initiation of a Mlle. Maria Deraimes in 1882. Lodges began to be formed into which men or women could be freely admitted and one of the added problems between our own

*Continued on page 18*

## Hi-Lights

### Order of the Eastern Star

GENESEE-WYOMING

DISTRICT

Rt. Wthy. Judy Walters

591-2581

While preparing this article, I'm remembering the District Bus Trip Project to the Broadway Market, the Basilica, Botanical Gardens and the Atrium for lunch. It surely was a wonderful excursion and greatly enjoyed by all who bought a ticket! It seemed to have gained support and enthusiasm along the way - our love of travel and doing things together! (The next trip is for girls only, and believe it or not, the bus is nearly booked already for the trip to Atlantic City on September 30th. Can't imagine what the interest is there...can you?) Cost will be \$44 for the bus ride; meals and entertainment not included. Call Rt. Wthy. Marilyn Liles at 343-9268 for more details.

#### Ritualistic work

On March 18th, the Rocking Robins Study Club was honored with the presence of M. Wthy. Walter Lis, who helped all present learn more about our Ritualistic work. The attendance and interest increases with each meeting and the fellowship is great. The Sweetest Little District is getting sweeter all the time! Next meeting will be on May 6th to rehearse for the Grand Official Visit-10:00 a.m. at the Batavia United Methodist Church, 8221 Lewiston Road, Batavia. There will be a Dutch Treat Lunch following at the Sport of Kings Restaurant. All Line Officers are asked to participate, so it's a "Grand Day".

All Chapters and the Study Club miss M. Wthy. Mary Strong and pray she will heal and be with us again soon.

#### Reminder

May 11th is our Grand Official Visit. There will be a dinner at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting at 8:00 p.m. On May 15th, Centennial Chapter No. 299 in Warsaw, will have a reception for Rt. Wthy. Betty Brown at 8:00 p.m. Come, see, and hear our leaders. Call Rt. Wthy. Dolores Hargrave for reservations at 548-2589.

#### Plans

Other District plans include the Fun Night on May 20th at the Warsaw Masonic Temple. Doors open at 4:30 p.m., with a Buffet Dinner at 6:00 p.m. The drawings for the Share Booth will be at 7:00 p.m. and entertainment by the Elba Elegants will begin at 8:00 p.m. The cost is \$8.00, which includes dinner, 20 tickets and entertainment. More tickets will be available for purchase.

On Saturday, July 16th the District will have its picnic at Hiram Lake. Come and enjoy a ride on the Attica-Arcade Railroad. If it's not possible for you to come for both, either/or is most acceptable. More details in the June issue of the *Masonic Times*, or call Rt. Wthy. Marilyn Liles or Rt. Wthy. Clinton Strong.

#### District Official Visits

1. Monday, May 1st, Centennial Chapter No. 299, Warsaw.
2. Wednesday, May 3rd, Stebbins Chapter No. 503, Pike.
3. Tuesday, May 16th, Thorpe Chapter No. 462, Attica.
4. Thursday, May 18th, Arcade Chapter No. 337, Arcade.
5. Monday, June 5th, Olive Branch Chapter No. 509, LeRoy. All meetings start at 8:00 p.m.

#### Prize!

Remember, at the District O.V.'s, Rt. Wthy. Clinton Strong, D.G.L., is taking 'attendance' and the Chapter with the most members present takes home the beautiful picture of "Teamwork".

Pennies are also being collected at our Official Visits to benefit Jeff Bush, a 7 year old with Leukemia. He is the son of a member of Centennial Chapter, Warsaw.

#### St. John's Day

On Friday, June 16th and Saturday, June 17, the Genesee-Wyoming District, OES, will have a booth at the St. John's Day Festival in Utica at the Masonic Home on Bleeker Street. This year we will be selling tuxedos, (new and used), shirts, ties, vests, cummerbunds, etc. This is a great Masonic Day. Any questions, call Sis. Sherrie Grover at 535-7751.


#### Jackets

Monroe District is selling white nylon jackets with the OES Star on the front, and Genesee-Wyoming District on the back. Rt. Wthy. Marilyn Liles will take orders for us. Sizes S-M-L are \$35.00; XL and XXL are \$40.00; and XXXL are \$45.00.


Genesee/Wyoming District has gowns, tops, skirts and sportswear available through the DDGM or Sis. Sherrie Grover. ☐

## Hi-Lights

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



Rt. Wthy. Barbara Mertens  
District Deputy Grand Matron



Rt. Wthy. Ronald Mertens  
District Grand Lecturer

The past month has been a busy period, with many Official Visits, Grand Matron's Visits in nearby Districts and the planning of the Grand Matron's Visit to the Monroe District. However, the arrival of warmer weather has made the busy schedule more pleasant.

#### Grand Matron's Visit

Wednesday, May 10th!! That is the date we have been looking forward to with great anticipation. We will be glad when it is here and relieved when it is past. Hopefully, all arrangements have been completed or are in the final stages of preparation. Information regarding dinner reservations has been sent to all Chapters and Past Grand Officers. We look forward to a good attendance at the luncheon, dinner and meeting. In case you are not aware of the pertinent details, all the events will be held at the Diplomat Banquet Center. The luncheon with the Grand Matron, Grand Patron and other members of the Grand Line will be at 12 noon; dinner will be at 6:00 p.m., and the meeting will be at 8:00 p.m.

Our experience thus far is that the meetings have been enjoyable and over at an early hour. If you have not yet made your reservations for lunch and/or dinner, we ask that you do so before May 3rd. We would prefer that reservations be made through the various Deputies Clubs for the luncheon and the Chapters for the dinner. However, if that presents a problem, you can call us at 482-0994 and we will do our best to accommodate everyone. Leave a message if we are not at home.

#### Walk-a-Thon

Plans are well underway for our Monroe District Walk-a-Thon on Saturday, June 3rd. This will take place at Ontario Beach Park beginning at 10:00 a.m. We will be located at Shoreline Shelter and have charted a one mile route for walking. Information has been sent to all the Chapters and we are looking forward to a great day of fun, fellowship, friendship and food.

Even if you are not planning on walking, come out and join the fun and pledge your support to those who are walking. Bring your lawn chair, some goodies to eat and a smile. We will have hot, hamburgs, and soda available for a nominal cost. Remember, the purpose of this is to raise funds for the Grand Matron's and Grand Patron's Youth Projects, so everyone can help in some way - walking or by pledging financial support to someone who is walking.

The Grand Matron and Grand Patron, together with about 100 other Sisters and Brothers, participated in a Walk-a-Thon on March 25th in Olean and over \$6,500 was pledged. We want to add to that total with a significant amount from the Monroe District. We know that Together We Can.

It takes both rain and sunshine to make a rainbow.

#### Lilac Luncheon

All the arrangements have been made for the Annual Lilac Luncheon. This project was initiated by our Past Grand Matron, Mt. Wthy. Betty B. Jurs, and is a way for us to show our love and appreciation to our Sisters and Brothers who are at the Home in Oriskany. The date is Thursday, June 8th and all the information is available from your Chapter Secretary. We hope you will join with us for a very wonderful and meaningful day.

#### Oriskany Pilgrimage

The Oriskany Pilgrimage weekend will be Friday, July 21st and Saturday, July 22nd. We have reserved a block of rooms at the Holiday Inn in Utica and will be having a combined District Dinner with the Albany-Rensselaer-Schoenectady District on Friday evening. The festivities will begin at 5:30 p.m. with a cash bar, followed by a Roast Turkey Dinner at 6:30 p.m. at a cost of \$13.00.

If you are interested in attending the dinner or reserving a room, you may do so by contacting your Chapter Secretary or Worthy Matron or by calling us. Again, this promises to be a weekend of fun, fellowship, friendship and food.

#### Chicken Bar-B-Q

It hardly seems possible, but that time is approaching rapidly. The date has been set for Saturday, August 12th and we are also planning on the Pancake Breakfast for Sunday, August 13th. More information will be in next month's column. We will be looking for many willing hands to assist in all the tasks, so save the dates.

It is obvious that the next few months will continue to be busy ones for Eastern Star members. We hope you will take part in as many of these activities as possible. We look forward to being with you. ☐

## NOLA Chapter No. 368

Order of the Eastern Star

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

Wthy. Vickie Gross, Matron  
293-3237  
Wthy. Carol Wynings, Sec.  
594-4692

20 South Main Street  
Churchville, N. Y. 14428

By Wthy. Avis Theis

Spring is wonderful. It makes you feel young enough to do all the things you're old enough to know you can't!

#### Our best wishes

Our Sunshine Committee Chairperson, Sis. Kathleen Skelton, is recovering from surgery in Lakeside Hospital and is doing well. For many years she has spent a lot of time remembering us, now it is time for us to reciprocate. We hope all is better for Wthy. Dorothy Erion, Wthy. Charlotte Bayne, Sis. Phyllis Boughner and Wthy. Sue Mason's husband.

#### Things to come

May 2nd is a regular meeting and May 16th will be a Mother's Day Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Bring a dish to share, table service, and your family. The Committee is Carol Wynings, Rt. Wthy. Bill Baxter, Sis. Mary Ann Sovocool and Sis. Karen DesJardin.

#### Have fun!

Wthy. Vickie Gross will vacation with her family the end of May in Aruba. We wish her a well needed R&R.

#### Good news

I enjoyed a letter from Wthy. Alta Smith in California. She is well and has traveled overseas and to Florida to visit family and friends.

We thank Wthy. Dorothy Erion for her generous gift.

#### Hope you are all well

We are thinking of Wthy. Madeline Beattie, Sis. Eleanor Dick, Wthy. Mary Jane Parry, Sis. Doris Ray, and Wthy. Kathy Thompson, all of Florida. Wthy. Dolores McElroy of CA and Sis. Demaris Uttrich of VA are also in our thoughts.

#### Happy Mother's Day

A Mother holds her children's hands for a while-their hearts forever. ☐

## Webster Chapter No. 171

Order of the Eastern Star  
1st & 3rd Tuesdays  
8:00 p.m.

Wthy. Donna Hiler, Matron  
315-524-3439  
Rt. Wthy. Faythe Rowell, Sec.  
594-4449  
30 Orchard Street  
Webster, New York

By Wthy. Donna Hiler

#### Reminder

Don't forget the Spaghetti Dinners on the first Friday of every month. It has been very enjoyable and fun working together with Webster Lodge. We are looking for baked food items to sell at the dinner, if anyone would like to donate. The dinner is served from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. The cost is \$5.00 for adults and \$2.50 for children under 10 years of age. Come out and join us.

#### May events

On Monday, May 1st, we will be having our Bi-Annual Card Party Luncheon from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Lunch, which consists of chicken and biscuits, will be served at 12 noon, and the donation is \$5.00. A good time is always had by all. Come and join the fun. Marion Neuert is taking reservations.

At our May 2nd meeting we will be honoring any mothers in attendance.

At our May 16th meeting we will be having Sideliners/Neighbors Night. Everyone is invited to visit us. We will be having a Musical Trivia Program during refreshments.

#### Additional information

I would like to comment on how nice it was to see so many of our members whom we haven't seen in many years, out to our Birthday Dinner on March 21st. It is really great to look out in the Chapter room and see so many on the sidelines. ☐



Bro. Howard and Sis Arline Smith, husband and wife of 59 years were married in May of 1936. He received his Lodge 50 Year Service Pin and Sis. Arline has been a member of the Eastern Star for 50 years.

## AUDITORIUM Cafe

Serving Breakfast and Lunch Mon.- Fri. 7-3, Sat. 8-2  
876 E. Main Street-Ground Floor-In the Auditorium Complex-Phone 271-3380-FAX Same No.  
Deli Sandwiches - Salads - Soup - Specialties from the Grill - Beverages  
Small Party Catering • Now Under New Management

**Rochester Chapter**  
**No. 314**  
*Order of the Eastern Star*  
Wthy. BARBARA E. SPANO  
Matron 244-1503  
Rt. Wthy. BARBARA MERTENS  
Secretary 482-0994

**First Saturday**  
**8:00 P.M.**  
875 East Main Street  
Rochester, N. Y. 14605

By Wthy. Barbara Spano  
May the warm winds of heaven blow softly upon you, and each new day bring music to your soul.  
Thanks

The most important message I have for Monroe District is to thank everyone for their many prayers and good thoughts. The prayers were answered and I am on the road to recovery. There were so many cards. Some were so funny that it hurt to laugh, and some so beautiful that they brought tears to my eyes. I so enjoyed the visits and extend a special thank you for the delicious dinners that were brought for Tony and me. The beautiful plants and flowers certainly cheered my days in the hospital. In fact, the employees would come to my room to enjoy the aroma and beauty. Thank you all so very much.

**May dates**

Our next meeting is May 6th and is Memorial Night. We are gathering at 6:00 p.m. for an International Dinner. Please bring a dish to pass and let me know what country, so we don't have doubles. Dessert will be served after the meeting and will be done by Sis. Sharon and Bro. George.

**Birthday Banquet**

Please remember the Birthday Banquet on May 20th at the Maplewood Inn. Reservations should be sent to Sis. Linda Zahn by May 13th. Any questions? Please call me.

I will be making my Easter Visits to our shut-ins this week. The Grand Matron's Official Visit is May 10th at the Diplomat on Lyell Avenue. Dinner reservations must be in by May 1st. Please let Sis. Alice Brendel know if you are attending, and include with your remittance of \$18.00.

May you always camp where the water runs sweet, with plenty of shade and grass, where well-trod trails of friendship meet, as the good days gently pass. □

**Brother Masons Support the Youth Programs Help Build the Leaders of Tomorrow**

**Fidelity Triangle No. 4**




Holly Gorall  
Beloved Queen

**2nd & 4th Saturdays**

**April**

April was the start of a new term for me, as I was Installed as Beloved Queen on April 8th. There were many people there and the girls of Fidelity Triangle did a great job. Our first closed meeting will be April 22nd.

**May**

On May 13th we will be having a roller skating party with the DeMolay at Horizon (time to be announced). All prospective members are invited. On May 27th we will be having a closed meeting to discuss our Convention in November.

**Membership**

Fidelity Triangle is looking for a few great young ladies, between the ages of 11 and 21 years. This organization helps young ladies learn great lessons of leadership skills and great friendships that last forever.

For further information, call Holly Gorall at 458-5255 or Mrs. Nancy Lynch at 334-7953. □

**DeMolay State Convention Site Chosen**


The State Executive Committee has chosen the SUNY Institute of Technology in Utica to host the 1995 N.Y.S. DeMolay Convention. After reviewing other college bids and touring their facilities, the S.E.C. felt that it would be in the best interest for New York DeMolay to hold its convention at this site.

The campus is located convenient to all State residents as it is situated in the center of New York State. The Convention will be held the weekend of July 28-30. The cost will be \$85.00 per person for the entire weekend.

We urge you to make plans now to be there, because this is a convention that promises to be an exciting one. Registration forms should have been mailed out in April. By the way, there are no hills at SUNY Utica.

- New Officers**
- State Master Councilor - David W. Schucker
  - Deputy State Master Councilor - Charles P. Tyree, Jr.
  - State Junior Councilor - James T. Toolan
  - State Junior Councilor - Edward Tromble
  - Region Master Councilors:
    - Adirondack - Christopher Moore
    - Finger Lakes - Steve Osborn
    - Frontier - Scott White
    - Hudson Valley - Eric Ovalle
    - Metropolitan - Matthew Tyree
    - Mohawk River - Robert Robinson
  - State Scribe/Treasurer - Joseph Raker
  - State Sweetheart - Melanie Dawn Clark
  - State Deacons - Charles Feldman, Roger H. Pelham, II, Scott Platto

**Order of DeMolay**



David Gorall, MC  
**Rochester Chapter**  
Charlotte Temple  
1st & 3rd Fridays

By Michael Israel, PMC  
This is the last month that I will be writing this article, because on April 30th at 4:00 p.m., I will get my Majority Degree and become a Senior DeMolay.

In April we had a special meeting about the history of the Knights Templar and the Legend of the Holy Grail.

On April 8th the DeMolay served as Honor Guard, welcoming Holly Gorall as the new Beloved Queen of Fidelity Triangle No. 4. It was a beautiful ceremony and a DeMolay tradition to serve as Honor Guard (Sword Bearers), making the Arch of Steel, which is cool.

We are planning a dance for late June; a celebration of school's end.

**Installation**

Anticipating that this will reach you before Sunday, April 30th, our Installation will be held then at 2:00 p.m. at 4550 Lake Avenue. It will be followed by the Majority Degree for ten members, with refreshments afterward. We hope that important local, regional and State Masonic dignitaries can attend and we'll even welcome National dignitaries to our Ceremonies. All are welcome, especially new and prospective members.

I wish everyone a nice Summer vacation. I hope you enjoyed reading my articles as much as I enjoyed writing them. As "Pinky and the Brain" would say: Love, Luck and Lolly Pops. □

**In Memoriam**  
*March, 1995*

**Brown, George J.**  
George passed away on March 15th after a long illness. He was a member of Clio Lodge No. 779, and is survived by his wife, Phyllis, children and one grandson.

**Farrell, Susanne S.**  
Susanne was 89 years old when she died on March 16th. She is survived by her children, 9 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren. Susanne was a Past Matron of Irondequoit Chapter No. 572, OES.

**Vragel, Howard E., Sr.**  
Howard was a member of Rochester Consistory and was called Home on March 16th. He is survived by his wife, Grace, children, 5 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

**Graumenz, B. Fred**  
Oatka Lodge No. 759 lost a member with the death of Fred on March 17th. He is survived by many family members.

**Patchin, Ralph L.**  
Ralph was 92 years old when he died in Deerfield Beach, FL., on March 17th. Locally he was a member of Seneca Lodge No. 797 and Rochester Consistory. Fred is survived by his wife, Augusta, 5 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

**Johnson, LaVern A.**  
A Past Master of Monroe Lodge No. 173, LaVern passed away on March 25th. He is survived by his wife, Margaret, children, 3 grandchildren and other family members.

**Magin, Helen M.**  
Helen was a Past Matron of Mary Jane Holmes Chapter No. 440, OES, and went to her Eternal Rest on March 28th. She is survived by her children, 11 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

**Hvde, Elmer M.**  
A 67 year member of Seneca Lodge No. 797, Elmer died on March 29th. He is survived by his daughter and grandson.

**Trevor, Joseph J.**  
Towpath Lodge No. 163 lost a member with the death of Joseph on March 29th. He is survived by his children, 4 grandchildren and a great-granddaughter.

**April**

**Burger, Floyd J.**  
Floyd died suddenly on April 7th at the age of 93. He was a 60 year member of Clio Lodge No. 779. Floyd is survived by his son and 2 grandchildren.

**Lalonde, Elmer F.**  
Elmer was 88 years old when he passed away on April 7th. He was a member of Fame Lodge No. 945, Rochester Consistory and Damascus Temple Shrine. He is survived by many family members.

**Tischer, Otelia Thone**  
Death claimed Otelia on April 12th. She was a member of Monroe Chapter No. 57, OES, and is survived by many family members.

**Strauss, H. Frank**  
Germania Lodge No. 722 and Rochester Consistory lost a member with the death of Henry Frank Strauss. He was 88 years old and is survived by his wife of 62 years, Mary, and other family members.

The following deaths were reported to us with no specific information.

**Little, Donald John**  
Donald was a member of Batavia Lodge No. 475 and passed away on January 2nd at the age of 72 years.

**Bane, David**  
A member of Webster Lodge No. 538, David died on January 30th.

**Molloy, Donald P.**  
A 48 year member of Union Star Lodge No. 320, Donald passed away on February 24th.

**Satterfield, Clem**  
Towpath Lodge No. 163 lost a member with the death of Clem on March 24th.

**DeMay, Clarence**  
Again, death claimed a member of Towpath Lodge No. 163 when Clarence passed away on March 29th.

**Doescher, Walter W.**  
Bro. Doescher's daughter informed us of his death. He was a member of Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge No. 1088.

**Community Update from Wthy. Marilyn Israel**

In accordance with the wishes of M.Wthy. Lois M. Carlsen, Grand Matron, to reach out to neighborhood children, Rt. Wthy. Helen Voegtle, member of the Necrology Committee, has been collecting donations from the Chapters in conjunction with her Official Visits for area day care centers. These articles were presented to me by Rt. Wthy. Helen at Corinthian/Fellowship Chapter's last meeting. One of the centers benefiting from these generous gifts is the Central Park Day Care Center, 12 Hoeltzer Street. The day care center offers many opportunities to its children. That's where the Jamel Alexander Community Girl Scout Group is presently meeting. The group has been meeting there on Saturdays, thanks to the hospitality of Norma VanHorn. The Girl Scout Group No. 3015 hopes to march in the Memorial Day Parade with the Prince of Wisdom Lodge No. 345, United National Masons. The scouting endeavor was started last April through the awareness of Greater Rochester Community of Churches. At present Marilyn Israel, Wthy. Matron of Corinthian Fellowship Chapter No. 322 O.E.S., from Asbury Methodist Church, Rochester, and Mary Lou Maynard from Ogden Presbyterian Church, Spencerport, are leading the group of 27 girls, 1st-10th grade, with the assistance of Karla Baker and Viola and Michelle Richardson. □

memorial Day Parade with the Prince of Wisdom Lodge No. 345, United National Masons. The scouting endeavor was started last April through the awareness of Greater Rochester Community of Churches. At present Marilyn Israel, Wthy. Matron of Corinthian Fellowship Chapter No. 322 O.E.S., from Asbury Methodist Church, Rochester, and Mary Lou Maynard from Ogden Presbyterian Church, Spencerport, are leading the group of 27 girls, 1st-10th grade, with the assistance of Karla Baker and Viola and Michelle Richardson. □

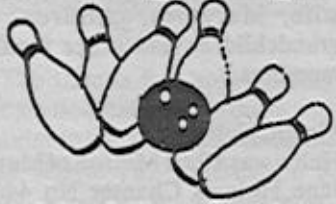


Helen Voegtle with David Everrett and Mary Bass from the Central Day Care Center.



Helen Voegtle and children from the Central Day Care Center.

# Masonic Gothic Bowling League



John J. Flynn, Secretary  
227-6106

Congratulations to Northfield for winning the 1994-95 Masonic League Championship. For Team Captain, Jack Thibaut, this is his first championship team in over twenty years of bowling in the League.

**Final 1994-95 standings**

Northfield, 142-98; Flower City, 135-105; Underachievers, 128-112; Quadrants, 127-113; Hubbard, 124-116; Meatballs, 120-120; Alley Gators, 120-120; Ashler, 106-134; WTP, 104-136; Mauls, 94-146.

High average-Richard Flanagan, 185.

High individual game-John Flynn, 276 scratch, 300 handicap.

High individual scratch series-Richard Flanagan, 687.

High individual handicap series-Harold Reynolds, 756.

Most improved average-Richard Snyder, +18.14 pins.

High team scratch game-Flower City, 841.

High team handicap game-Mauls, 956.

High team scratch series-Flower City, 2314.

High team handicap series-Hubbard, 2600.

This season, there were 319 200 games and 40 600 series. Since my last column, 600 series have been rolled by Rich A. Ehrne-644 (257), Dick Topel-633 (255), Mark Noto-612 (215), Rich P. Ehrne-610 (241), Bob Clovis-607 (219), Dale Ehrne-607 (225), and Chuck Gillens-601 (218).

Individual game scores of note include Frank Kirchner-241, Mark Noto-231, Bob Goodyear-226, Rich Moller-225, Gerry Duell-224, Sam Deleo-224, Ken Ehrne-224 and 223, Bob Clovis-223, Mike Holberton-223, Corey Kent-217, Mike Bell-203, Bill Wood-202, and Dave Zenkel-200.

An ABC Senior Award Patch was earned by Dick Topel for his 255 game that was 79 pins over his average. Corey Kent earned an ABC Award Patch for his 593 series that was 185 pins over his average.

The League will be bowling at Maiden Lanes on Wednesday nights at 8:30 p.m. again next season. Anyone interested in bowling next Fall, please contact me at the above telephone number. Remember, the League is open to both Masons and non-Masons. Encourage your non-Mason friends to give us a try. It is an excellent way for them to get an introduction to Masonry.

I would like to thank all the Masonic Gothic League bowlers for their cooperation again this season. I would especially like to thank my fellow League Officers for their help-President Dick Snyder and Vice President John Kunz. It takes more than a Secretary to make a bowling league run smoothly and for it to be enjoyable for everyone.

# Masonic Activities Looking Ahead

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

1995

- Jun. 3 O.E.S. Walk-A-Thon, Ontario Beach Park, for Youth Projects  
Reception for Incoming Grand High Priest, W. Bruce Renner - Batavia Sheraton
- Jun. 17-18 St. John's Weekend, Utica
- Jun. 17-18 Varysburg Neighborhood Days
- Jun. 21 Purple Club
- Jun. 22 Homecoming - Rt. Wthy. Barbara and Ron Mertens, Rochester Chapter
- July 22 O.E.S. Oriskany Pilgrimage
- July 29 Annual Grand Master's Day, Camp Turk, Reservations required
- Aug. 8 O.E.S. Monroe District Picnic, Ellison Park
- Aug. 18 Scottish Rite Outing -The Party House
- Sept. 21 School of Lodge Administration
- Sept. 28 School of Ritual - Webster
- Oct. 5 Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Awards
- Oct. 14 Reception for SK Ronald J. Bertie, Deputy Grand Commander, Rochester Marriott Thruway
- Oct. 25 Grand Lecturer's Convention - Downtown Temple 1996
- Mar. 23 M..W.. Gary A. Henningsen's Testimonial Dinner Lockport, NY
- Sept. 19-22 Grand Commandery, Rochester, New York Rochester Marriott Thruway

## Banquet Meeting Directory

<b>Holiday Inn-Genesee Plaza</b> 120 East Main St., Rochester, NY 14604, (716)548-8400, Judy Scott	<b>Burgundy Basin Inn</b> 1361 Marsh Road, Pittsford, NY 14537, (716)248-2660
<b>Diplomat Banquet Center &amp; Hotel</b> , 1 Diplomat Way Rochester, NY 14606, (716)647-1566	<b>The Party House</b> 677 Beahan Rd. Rochester, NY 14624, (716)235-5654

## Classifieds

### Real Estate

**For Sale:** Country living at its finest! Custom built 3 bedroom Ranch secluded on 5 wooded acres. Nestled in the Bristol Hills. Only \$145,000.00. Call Coldwell Banker Helling 716-229-5000.

**For Sale:** 14 KT. white gold pocket watch. Raised white and yellow gold Past Master's emblem on back. Elgin, 17 jewels. \$450. Call for details, 454-7000 days, 546-8574 answering machine.

**For Sale:** Rushford Lake-Completely remodeled 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 baths, garage, dock. Suited for year-round living. \$95,500. Call 716-437-5230.

**Wanted:** Mint sewn bags-5000 Philly Cents each 1995. Uncirculated @ \$80 each. Will pick up. Call 352-1312 or 1-315-482-4432.



875 E. Main St. Rochester, NY (716)271-3250, FAX(716)423-8538

Tuesday, May 2

**The Cranberries**

7:30 p.m.

Tue. & Wed. May 9, 10

**Raisin**

8:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 13

**Biggie Small, et. al**

Reggae

7:30 p.m.

Tue. - Sun. May 16 - 21

**Grease**

Tues.-Fri. 8:00 p.m.

Sat. 2:00 & 8:00 p.m.

Sun. 2:00 & 7:30 p.m.

# Calendar May 1995

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday																																
<p>1995 APRIL 1995</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td></tr> <tr><td>9</td><td>10</td><td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td></tr> <tr><td>17</td><td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td><td>24</td></tr> <tr><td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td><td>29</td><td>30</td><td>31</td><td></td></tr> </table>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31		<p>1 West Star - Varysburg</p> <p>OES - Irondequoit, Germania, Centennial</p>	<p>2 Charlotte/Corinthian Clio - Hilton Craftsman - Dinner Germania Oakland - Castile Towpath - E. Rochester Warsaw</p> <p>OES - Monroe, Nola, Webster, Thorpe</p>	<p>3 Olive Branch - LeRoy</p> <p>RAM - 3X3</p> <p>Shrine</p>	<p>4 Constellation - Perry Flower City - Fellowcraft Hesperus - Bergen Northfield - Pittsford Webster</p> <p>Scottish Rite</p> <p>OES - Oatka, Lea Ct.</p>	<p>5 DeMolay - Rochester Chapter</p> <p>Webster - Spaghetti Dinner</p>	<p>6 OES - Rochester Chapter</p> <p>Scottish Rite Banquet Holiday Inn - Airport</p>
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8																															
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16																															
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24																															
25	26	27	28	29	30	31																																
<p>7 Olive Branch - LeRoy Pancake Breakfast</p>	<p>8 ERAC - E. Rochester Etolian - Spencerport Fairport Wakan/Hubbard - Penfield Union Star - Honeoye Falls</p> <p>RSM - Nun-Da-Wa-Ga Council</p> <p>OES Charlotte, Mary Jane Holmes</p>	<p>9 Arcade Batavia Craftsman - Fellowcraft Fame Henrietta Hesperus - Bergen Monroe Brockport Seneca - Webster Valley/Simes</p> <p>RAM - Dansville, Wyoming OES - Leah</p>	<p>10 Churchville Clio - Spaghetti Din. - Hilton Oatka - Scottsville Triluminar - Pike</p> <p>RAM - Webster</p> <p>Service Bureau Luncheon</p> <p>OES - Culver, Henrietta, Corinthian/Fellowship, Batavia</p>	<p>11 Flower City - Dinner</p> <p>RAM - Hiram - Dinner</p> <p>KT - Batavia Commandery</p> <p>Caldron</p>	<p>12 KT - Cyrene/Monroe Commandery</p>	<p>13 Daughters of the Nile</p> <p>Fidelity Triangle - Roller Skating Party</p> <p>Hesperus - Bergen Chicken Bar-B-Q</p>																																
<p>14 Attica - Chicken Bar-B-Q</p> <p>Happy Mother's Day</p>	<p>15 John A. Robertson West Star - Varysburg</p> <p>OES - Irondequoit, Germania, LeRoy</p>	<p>16 Charlotte/Corinthian Clio - Hilton Craftsman Oakland - Castile Towpath - E. Rochester Warsaw</p> <p>RAM - Batavia</p> <p>OES - Monroe, Nola, Webster</p>	<p>17 Attica Olive Branch - LeRoy</p> <p>Grotto - Ceremonial</p> <p>RAM - 3X3</p>	<p>18 Constellation - Perry Hesperus - Bergen Northfield - Pittsford Webster - Dinner</p> <p>RAM - Western Star</p> <p>OES - Oatka, Lea Ct.</p>	<p>19 Joint Investiture</p>	<p>20 OES - Rochester Chapter</p> <p>Henrietta Lodge Ham Dinner</p> <p>Genesee York Rite College Northfield</p>																																
<p>21 Fly Your Flag Regularly</p>	<p>22 ERAC - E. Rochester Etolian - Spencerport Fairport Union Star - Honeoye Falls Wakan/Hubbard - Penfield</p> <p>OES - Charlotte, Mary Jane Holmes</p>	<p>23 Arcade Batavia Fame Henrietta Monroe - Brockport Seneca - BAF Valley/Simes - Dinner</p> <p>OES - Leah</p>	<p>24 Churchville Clio - Spaghetti Din. - Hilton Oatka - Scottsville Triluminar - Pike</p> <p>RAM - Webster RSM - Doric Council - Dinner</p> <p>ES - Culver, Henrietta, Corinthian/Fellowship, Batavia</p>	<p>25 Tall Cedars of Lebanon</p> <p>RAM - Hiram - OV</p> <p>KT - Batavia Commandery</p>	<p>26 KT - Cyrene/Monroe Commandery</p> <p>Past Master's Supper Club Red Men's Club</p>	<p>27 Fidelity Triangle</p>																																
<p>28</p>	<p>29 Memorial Day Observed</p>	<p>30 Memorial Day</p>	<p>31 School of Ritual ERAC</p> <p>G/W Masters &amp; Wardens Attica</p>	<p>Lest We Forget!</p>	<p>1995 JUNE 1995</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td><td>10</td></tr> <tr><td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td><td>17</td><td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td></tr> <tr><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td><td>24</td><td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td><td>29</td><td>30</td></tr> </table>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10																													
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20																													
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30																													