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## Grand Master Responds to Masonic Youth Camp Controversy

In a letter to all Grand Lodge members, the Grand Master has elaborated on the recent actions of Grand Lodge reported in some of the local media concerning the Masonic Youth Camp. The following are excerpts from that letter. The full text will be available from your Lodge Master. (Don Brugger, Editor, *Masonic Times*)

"Recently, some areas of the State have been inundated with disparaging and misleading articles in the news media about how the Grand Master and other Masonic leaders "renewed" on an offer to allow approximately forty-five children afflicted with H.I.V. to attend our Masonic Youth Camp in the Adirondack Mountains. On their face these false statements paint a very negative portrait of Masonry arousing the ire of many Masons and non-Masons alike. I think you should know the truth. . .

Camp Turk's long-standing policy prohibits the use of the camp by outside groups. Although I am sympathetic to children and to the intentions of well-meaning Brothers, none-the-less it is my responsibility to uphold the policies appertaining to our camp facility; and cannot give my approval arbitrarily to circumvent the due process of camp policies and procedures.

Upon investigation I learned that no application had been made, prepared or submitted to the proper State Authorities for permission to use the camp facility beyond our normal camping season. Furthermore, it was learned that the outside group did not have the proper liability insurance.

However, some of our members intentionally or unintentionally attempted to circumvent the mechanics and policies already in place. By doing so, they operated independently without formal authorization by those responsible, namely the consensus of the Camp Turk Committee, the Board of Trustees and the Grand Master. . .

The outside parties concerned with this matter chose to use the news media to sway public opinion and sympathy to promote their own self-interest. . .

The following is the scenario of what I believe transpired:

a) Late in the Spring of this year, a well-meaning Brother ap-

proached a member of the Grand Lodge Committee on Camp Turk with a verbal proposal to sponsor a small group of what he identified as "terminally ill" children from the Incarnation Children's Center in Manhattan. This proposal was to allow these youngsters to use our camp facilities in private session immediately after the regular camping season.

b) Subsequently, the Chairman of the Camp Turk Committee referred this proposal to the President of the Board of Trustees and directed the Camp Administrators to evaluate the feasibility of this proposal.

c) The Camp Administrators report listed several significant reasons why, in their opinion, it would not be feasible to permit these children to attend our camp [this year]. . . there were major considerations to be discussed and the problems were too overwhelming for this current year. . . The specific reasons were:

1. The camp's personnel and staff were only contracted until August 13th.

2. The camp, if it accepted disabled children, could not provide handicap accessibility to its buildings as required by the New York State Health Department.

3. The location of the nearest hospital and medical facility is over 50 minutes away from the camp which would present potential and real problems for children who are very sick.

4. The camp's personnel and staff have absolutely no training or experience in working with terminally ill children and they [might] not be willing to do so.

d) The Camp Turk Committee Chairman did not forward the contents of the Camp Administrator's Report to the President of the Board of Trustees until July 5th, sixteen days after it was originally received by the Camp Chairman. Even without

this information, on that date certain Trustees notified the well-meaning Brother that no agreement or commitment was in place.

I believe that this entire unfortunate situation could have been completely avoided had the facts been addressed immediately by the parties concerned. No promises, agreements nor commitments, either expressed or im-

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## Community Service Award

By W. Robert Zahn

Nominations are now due for the Masonic Service Bureau's Distinguished Community Service Award, which is usually presented at the Interfaith Service and Breakfast. If you know of anyone deserving of this Award, please send a resume to the Masonic Service Bureau, attention Robert Zahn, by October 1st. Each nominee will be carefully considered by the Committee. □

## Monroes Hold Table Lodge for Eagle Scout Program



M.E. Bruce Renner, Grand High Priest, speaker for the evening.

By R.W. Scott Seltzer

On July 19th, the Monroe Districts joined together for an old fashioned "Table Lodge" full of tradition, fellowship and song. The purpose of the get-together was to raise money for the Grand Lodge Eagle Scout Kit Program to benefit Otetiana Council, B.S.A.

The evening was successful and \$1500 was raised. This fund will be used to purchase the

## Brother James Branigan Appointed Grand Representative of Brazil



R.W. William Branigan, Grand Representative of the Grand Loja Rio Grande Do Sul, Brazil near the Grand Lodge of the State of New York.

By Jay McCullough

Grand Master Earle J. Hino, Jr., has announced the appointment of R.W. James P.

Branigan as Grand Representative of the Grand Loja Do Rio Grande Do Sul near the Grand Lodge of New York.

Professional

R.W. Branigan was born in Dublin, Ireland in 1915. He attended National Schools, graduating in 1930.

Jim commenced work at the Allied Gas Company (then the largest producer various types of gas equipment), 1930-34.

During that time, he attended night school and studied internal combustion engineering hoping to perform this service on ships, and see the world. The opportunity to move on came sooner than expected with the outbreak of war. He joined the British Merchant Navy as a Jr. Engineer; Atlantic convoy duty. After a number of voyages in the Atlantic, he was transferred to the Mediterranean Sea and Indian Ocean.

In 1966, Jim was offered a job at the Rochester War Memorial. They needed an engineer with experience in working with ammonia in a hurry. He stayed with them 12 years, finishing his career as Chief Engineer. He also worked for Eastman Kodak for 9 years retiring from both positions in 1978.

In 1979, the Operating Engineers Union urgently requested his help at St. Mary's Hospital. Two of their regular engineers had been hospitalized suddenly. He was there until 1988.

Family

While traveling the globe, one of his ships made a stop in New York City. There he and Elsa met, and following a two week whirlwind courtship, they were married at a little Methodist Church in Jamaica, Long Island. As Jim says, "that was 1944 and in 1995 we are still around".

Jim and Elsa reside in Hamlin, NY, on Hojack Drive. They have two sons and one daughter. The sons served in the US Army. The oldest was shot down twice in Vietnam and became permanently disabled.

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R.W. Richard Friedman, officiating at the gathering of Brothers from the Monroe Districts for the Table Lodge held at Webster Lodge in July.

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**Editor's Corner**  
*Don Brugger*

**Masonic News Network**

A few months ago I highlighted the fact that the Publications Committee of Grand Lodge had founded a Masonic News Network. This network allows the individual Brother to submit articles for general publication that could reach 50,000 Masons. These Masons are served by 23 separate District Publications, publishing 10 times per year, "The Leader", which is sent to the Master and Secretary of all Lodges, and the "Empire State Mason", which is published quarterly. Collectively the potential readership is 94,000 Masons.

The hub of the network is Ron Bower, Chairman-Committee on Publications, 37 Oliver Street, Lockport, NY. 14094-4615.

The Network will also accept both 3.5 and 5.25 inch floppy discs, double or high density. These must be from IBM compatible machines (Apple Discs cannot be "read"). Save the file as an ASCII or text file. This is easier than it sounds. Most word processing packages have a "save as" option under which you can save as (text only) or (DOS text).

You can also reach the MNN via America On-Line. Send files to screen name MNN1 at mnn1@aol.com. Again save the file as an ASCII or text file.

The FAX number for the MNN is (716)434-4946.

This information will always be listed by the Masthead and "Hot Numbers" located in the upper right hand corner of page 2.

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**Community Service**

By R.:W.: Harold Bollotin

Since the last issue, there is only one activity to report. It was the Monroe County Special Olympics Track and Field Day, held on the athletic field of the R.I.T. Campus on June 3rd.

This was the major event for the year sponsored by this organization for the benefit of the mentally challenged (the term they use to describe the adults and children they represent), for whom they direct all their functions and activities.

It was indeed a well organized and highly successful event. It was an eye opener. The entire field was dotted with tents for administration, scheduling and refreshment. The entire area was covered by a multitude of volunteers and athletes, and the grandstand was full of spectators and families. The track and inner field were constantly busy with athletic contests. It could be described as a miniature International Olympics!

They have other scheduled events for the entire year. These will be considered.

**Coming events**

At Sigl Center-Volunteer events are in the process of being planned for the Fall of 1995. We shall be notified.

"Friends of Strong Memorial Hospital" will have their Annual Sale of paper dove decorations at selected Malls in December, 1995. We shall be notified.

As always, I continually look for other opportunities of Community Service for the Bureau. Likewise, I will welcome any ideas, suggestions, and leads from the Masonic and related family. See me at any of the Masonic functions, or call me at 342-5865. You may also call the Masonic Service Bureau at 473-4351.

Watch for further announcements in future issues of the *Masonic Times*.

come to a polling place due to health reasons.

To be eligible to vote in the upcoming general election, you first have to be a registered voter. If you are not, you have until October 13, 1995, to file your registration form with the Board of Elections. Call the Monroe County Board of Elections at 428-4550 to obtain a form.

**Qualifications**

If you are (or will be) registered to vote, but will be unable to come to the polling place because of health, you may qualify to vote by casting an absentee ballot. If you are ill, have a physical disability (permanent or temporary), a patient in either a hospital, a NYS licensed nursing home, residential health care facility, or a VA facility, then you qualify to vote by means of an absentee ballot.

**Further elections**

Call the Board of Elections at 428-4550 and ask to have an absentee ballot application mailed to you. When received, fill it out as instructed, making sure to note the reason why you cannot vote in person. If a permanent illness or physical disability is claimed, you may also request to receive an absentee ballot for all future elections without further applications. Upon receipt and review of your application, your local Board will send to you (or anyone else you designate) an absentee ballot. Upon receipt, you mark your vote in the same manner as a paper ballot, and send it back to your local Board of Elections, not later than the day before election (e.g. envelope must be post-marked no later than a day prior to elections).

**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]

The local paper ran an article on August 9th concerning high bank fees, and another on August 14th telling how the stocks of banks have increased, most by 50% or more.

In the first article it was pointed out that:

1. Bank fees in New York are among the highest in the nation.
2. Bank fees have risen as much as 12% in the last two years, well outpacing inflation, with commercial bank profits rising by about 37%, and deposit accounts by about 11%.
3. Annual costs for a NOW account are up 11%, and monthly maintenance charges are up 14%.
4. Average monthly balance requirements to avoid monthly charges are up by 30%.

Now, who do you think is paying for the recent banking fiasco? I still say that man is the only animal who can be skinned more than once!

**What to do**

The article states that there are ways and means to minimize these fees.

1. Check the fee structure of your accounts at least twice a year, so that you know what you are paying.
2. Shop around to find which banks (and Credit Unions)

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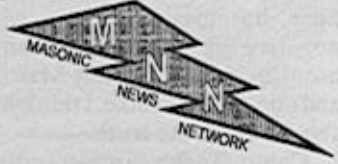
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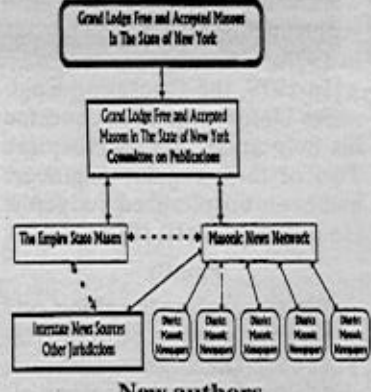
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**New authors**

We have a new batch of authors as usual for this issue. For the most part they have adhered to our suggestions in presenting their copy for publication. I would emphasize, however, that some should reread the instructions, especially the suggestion "Double spaced". We can also accept floppy-disks, if from IBM compatible wordprocessing software.

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**Your Legal Rights FYI**  
By Bro. Phillip Hurwitz, Esq.

As Master Masons, we have sworn our allegiance to our Nation. As citizens in a representative democracy, we have a duty to make our system of government work. Voting fulfills that fundamental duty. For a number of our Brothers, it becomes a physical challenge to perform that duty. Due to health or lack of transportation, getting to the polling place to vote becomes less likely.

**Registered voter**

Fortunately, you can still vote and not leave home. Absentee balloting permits voting for registered voters who are unable to

**MASONIC WAR VETERANS NEW YORK**

**James A. Hard/ Wayne Charter Post No. 12**  
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By Roger E. McCaughey

Since the last meeting of the Masonic War Veterans at Fame Lodge on June 29th, the Officers and Executive Committee have been busy planning a schedule of major activities for the Post for the balance of 1995 thru May 1996. Highlights of the schedule included participation in the August 12th 50th Anniversary Celebration of the close of WWII co-sponsored by the Canandaigua VA Hospital and Sonnenberg Gardens. The Post and their ladies participated in the Channel XXI Pledge Drive that brings in revenue to keep XXI going.

The next dinner meeting will be held at Wakan/Hubbard Lodge, Penfield Masonic Temple, on Thursday, October 26th.

During October, November and December there will be activities at the Canandaigua VA Hospital, details of which will be covered in forthcoming issues of the *Masonic Times*.

We hope that all have enjoyed the Summer months and now, with recharged batteries, are prepared to approach the Autumn and Winter months with renewed enthusiasm.

We welcome Brothers to any of our meetings. The Annual Installation of Officers is open to the public and we welcome any of our non-veteran Brethren to assist us in our programs as "boosters".

Hey, y'all come see us, y'hear!!

**Masonic Service Bureau Loan Closet**

Equipment Type	On loan	Loaned YTD
Bathtub equip.	55	18
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Canes	108	13
Commodos	123	14
Crutches	180	24
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Wheelchairs	153	32
Miscellaneous	14	3
	847	127

*Caring Is Everything*





By R.W. Thomas M. Paglia & R.W. Harold Bollotin

**Our Nation**

Memorial Day was observed throughout the United States and serves as a reminder to all that our nation was protected by many individuals, not by one person alone. True, there were many who stood out, there will always be those who will be outstanding. This nation will always survive as long as there are those who are willing to protect it.

Veterans must receive the full rights, benefits and privileges to which they are entitled. Anything less would be unacceptable. They deserve respect from our nation, and must be treated with dignity. They have earned it.

**Next visit**

Our next visitation at the VA Medical Center in Canandaigua, NY, will be October 8th. We will meet in Building 7 in the Volunteer Lounge at 12:30 p.m. (park across the road). We will go to Building 9A-9B about 1:15 p.m. and the visit will be completed not later than 3:30 p.m.

Future visits will be Sunday November 12th (meet in the Volunteer Lounge, Bldg. 7) and December 5th (Annual Holiday Gift Wrapping Session). The December 5th visit will be at 1:00 p.m. in the Auditorium, Bldg. 5.

We are happy to report that the Masonic War Veterans will join us for that one. The Annual Gift Distribution will take place on the 17th of December. Meet in the Auditorium, Bldg. 5, at 12:30 p.m. Distribution should be completed by 4:30 p.m. There will be no regular December Ward visitation.

**Sickness and distress**

One of our faithful volunteers, Doris Robertson, underwent surgery about a month ago. She is now at home undergoing a slow recovery. Get well soon Doris.

**Congratulations**

On a happier note, Paul and Doris Robertson, our faithful regular VAVS Volunteers, celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on August 6th. They were married when Paul was in the U.S. Navy during World War II. Our heartfelt congratulations to them!

**World War II Commemorative**

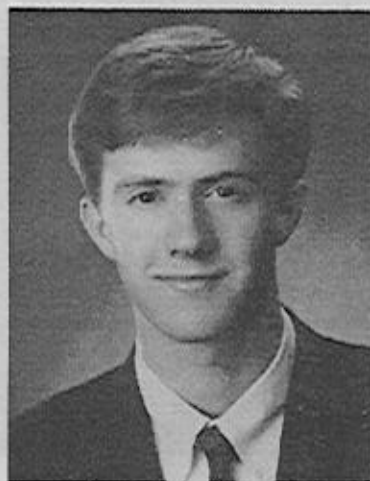
On Saturday, August 12th, a WW II Commemorative Event was held in Sonnenberg Gardens, Canandaigua, NY, under the sponsorship of the Canandaigua Veterans Medical Center.

The program consisted of a Chicken Bar-B-Q and musical entertainment provided by a band and singers. A number of ambulatory patients were transported from the Medical Center and were in the main tent.

Approximately 800 were in attendance including, we are happy to report, a delegation from James A. Hard-Charter Post Masonic War Veterans. There were 9 Post members and six la-

# Masonic Service Bureau Scholarship Recipients 1995

## County Scholarship Awardees



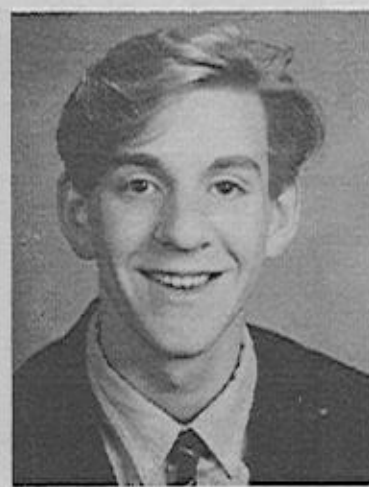
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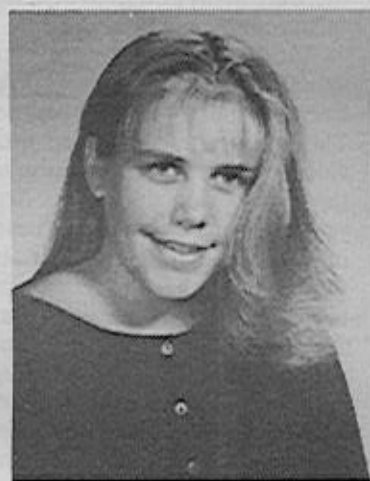
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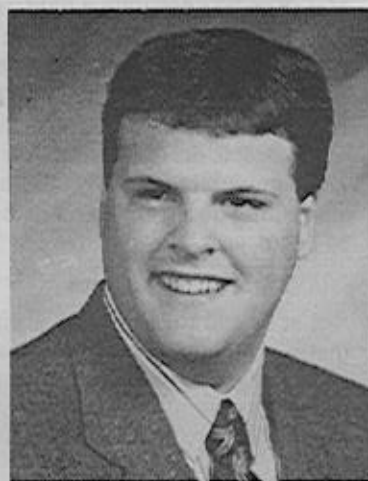
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HS - Gates-Chili College - College of Wooster

dies for a total of 15. Pictures and more on this in the next issue of the Times.

**Related recognition**

Recognition is long overdue to Brother Paul Israel of Flower City Lodge, and his wife, Rose. Although they are not members of the VAVS volunteers representing the Masonic Service Bureau, they have been consistently very active in representing the Jewish War Veterans and Auxiliary in visiting Wards assigned to them. I feel that they should be recognized.

At the Annual VAVS Award Banquet held at the Burgundy Basin Inn, they were to receive two Awards for long and faithful service. One was for 5000 hours of service each and a second, "Above and Beyond" Award. Due to a broken hip, however, suffered by Rose in an unfortunate accident during one of her other community service activities, they were not able to attend. Rose is now at home undergoing a slow and painful convalescence. Get well soon, Rose. Our sincere wishes for a complete recovery.

**Communicate**

If you know of a Mason who is in a VA Medical Center, please contact any of the above individuals. We now have R.W. Austin Keith making visits during the week, and he will visit that Brother. If there are any in other VA Medical Centers, we will get in touch with the proper Masonic Representative.

**Help**

The Medical Center needs drivers for the van which transports Veterans to locations in our area, including Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse, Bath, and other nearby medical facilities.

Anyone interested, please call R.W. Austin Keith at 315-986-4804; R.W. Harold Bollotin at 342-5865; Robin Johnson at the VA Medical Center-396-3645, or me, Tom, at 227-2046.

**Volunteers needed**

Volunteers for the regular Ward visitations are also needed. Being a veteran is not a requirement and ladies are welcome. Thank you for your help. ☐

**Charity Awardees**

A Reception was held in the Downtown Temple on June 28th where both Charities and Scholarship Awards were presented.

Committees were Chaired by Gail Clarke and Jack Thibaut. Presentations were made by A. John Tijou and Erna-Jean Walker.

Charity Awards were presented to the following:

- Hillel Foundation
- Salem Nutritional Center
- Rochester Area Multiple Sclerosis
- Dimitri House
- Family Resource Center
- Faith Community Health
- Awareness (for food)
- Meals and More
- Open Door Mission
- Salmon Nutritional Center
- Salvation Army Food Assistance
- St. Peter's Kitchen
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R. W. Richard C. Friedman  
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2nd Monroe

### A call to arms

History resounds with the evidence that Freemasons have always answered the call to duty when a crisis threatened their country, family or beliefs. In 1995 we face a crisis again which threatens the very existence of the Craft. This is not a doom and gloom prediction, but a call to ARMS!

We direct your attention to the aggregates contained in the table at the end of this article. A full 69,471 of our 84,738 members are over 50 years old. The largest aggregate is 36,261 members above 70 years of age. Compare that to a mere 13,613 members under 49 years. Cold hard realities are attached to these numbers.

There are Lodges in both of the Monroe Districts that must take in 50+ members in the next decade or simply cease to exist. Some of those Lodges are "good" Lodges now and will do nothing "wrong" in the future except be in denial of their situations. They will age out of productive Masonic activity and be forced to merge or give up their charters.

We can tell you that this has happened and is happening in other areas of the State. We can think of nothing more sad than to witness a Lodge committing suicide.

Suicide you say? That is a self inflicted death - surely Lodges cannot be held accountable? Of course they can.

### Long Range Planning

On every level, from Grand Lodge to District to Lodge, one of the glaring weaknesses of Freemasonry is the lack of Long Range Planning. By Long Range Planning, we mean the creation of a plan which is actually carried through over the course of some years with the flexibility for continuous improvement built in.

To create a long range plan, there must first be a benchmarking process in place to measure the effectiveness of changes.

All of the Masters in the Monroes were sent a "Benchmarking" tool to begin to evaluate their Lodges strengths and weaknesses. The follow-up to this evaluation should be the creation of a Long Range Planning Team

in each Lodge to begin to clearly chart a path to success for the Lodge to follow.

This process can be painful in the beginning. It means taking a true measure of where a Lodge is and where it might be going with no plan in place.

It means going beyond that great Masonic killer: ego. Our travels in the Districts tell us that there is such a thing as a "key man" or "men" in every Lodge. These Brothers hold incredible power which is either used for the benefit or detriment of the Lodge. These key men either stand in the way of new ideas or promote creative and evolutionary thinking. What kind of key men exist in your Lodge?

Long Range Planning also means jumping the hurdle of denial. Brethren, if your Lodge has less than 15 active Brethren, if every committee is staffed with the same names, if the ritual cannot be performed, if there is no flow of new membership, then you have a serious problem right now, and if it is ignored, your Lodge will simply cease to exist. Remember the ancient adage, "If it walks like a duck and quacks like a duck it probably is a duck".

Carrying through with the plan is the key element and the most difficult to accomplish at every level of the Craft. The current structure that we deal with causes us to change our leadership continuously and this causes a lack of continuity which is disruptive to any Long Range Plan. Get the approval of the Plan voted on and committed to by your membership up front and then have the courage to carry it through.

### Choices

Every Lodge, District and Grand Lodge has choices. Every individual Mason as a member of these entities also has a choice and a responsibility to contribute to the success of his fraternity. What can be done?

- Insist that your Master and Officers govern your Lodge with excellence. Do not accept mediocrity at any level - offer to help, build a culture of success.

- Insist that your Lodge commission a Long Range Planning Team which has a healthy leavening of newer and veteran Masons. Give the team a time line for the initial report of their findings and recommendations. Talk about the findings as a Lodge. Overcome the fear of the truth and face the future armed with an agreed upon plan.

- Once the plan is discussed and agreed upon, with the understanding that not everyone will agree with the plan, execute it! Let no one stop you because "we have never done it that way before".

### The dreaded "merger" choice

Every Lodge should do it's best to survive and thrive. There are incredible resources available to every Lodge which seeks them out. Yet a Lodge must have the craftsman available to use these tools. Even in cases where a Lodge can be potentially revitalized, given our membership statistics it still may be wise to consider a merger.

If the circumstances of your Lodge warrant it, seek a merger. Many of our Brethren fear this choice, yet for at least half the Lodges in the Monroes, it is inevitable even in a "best case scenario". Mergers can be very exciting and give new life to members who have not had a cause or reason to rally around.

In several of even the best mergers in recent years, there were some key men who objected based on a variety of factors. Most often cited was the "loss of identity" that a Lodge might experience in a merger.

They are both right and wrong. Any Brother raised after a merger is a member of the new Lodge and holds no history with any of the merged entities. Bringing the vital members of Lodges together to perform Masonic work feels great. It is true that the "old Lodge" is gone as a living entity, but it exists as historical fact and can be celebrated, venerated and remembered.

Both of us have been involved in mergers personally. In both cases there were some who grumbled and even fought the idea of merging and in both cases moving the location of the Lodge. Yet there are few who would argue that the vital members of both of the new Lodges were the vital members of the old Lodges. A Mason who withdraws from the Craft based on the change of a name or location is really missing something about being a Mason to begin with.

### Start your engines

Let us end the virtual drifting that is going on in many Lodges. Let us begin to plan for the long range success of our Lodges by facing the truth squarely and without fear.

The Purple Club is starting a Long Range Planning process for the District as a district. Our Concordant Bodies have begun the process at a national and local level as membership statistics make clear what their future will be if they do not.

It is a simple fact that every Lodge is a sovereign entity which cannot be forced to do much of anything at all as long as they are in compliance with the Constitutions and Masonic Law of New York State.

Your District Deputies have and will continue to respect this truth in our dealings with every Lodge by not forcing any Lodge to do anything that it does not wish to do.

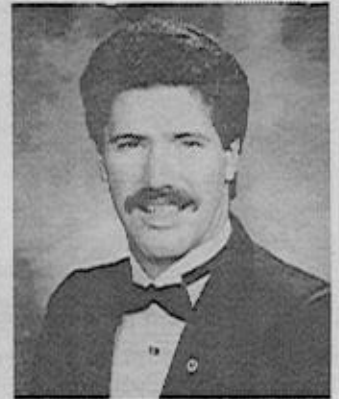
We can only hope to reason with each Lodge and every Mason about the future while providing as much support, tools, and brotherly love as we can in the present. We stand ready to assist you in following through with any choices or plan that your Lodge may put into motion.

In the Third Degree we encounter the admonition, "Then you had a faithful friend to pray for you, now you must pray for yourself".

Every Lodge is in the position of the Fellowcraft who makes the choice to become a Master Ma-

## Grand Lodge Staff Officers of the Monroes

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



R. W. D. Scott Seltzer  
Grand Sword Bearer

The Monroe Districts' Retention Team will funnel this year's efforts into three specific areas: Shepherding, L.S.O.M.E., and N.P.D. reduction. Our 1995 Retention Team consists of W. William Lindsay, Umbrella Chairman; R. W. Paul Moore, East Quadrant Captain; R. W. Joseph Privitera, West Quadrant Captain; R. W. Robert Sanford, South Quadrant Captain, and our newest Team member, W. John Zabel, Central Quadrant Captain. Welcome aboard, Bro. John.

### Shepherding

We are asking every Master to spend fifteen minutes of your precious spare time to pick up the Shepherding Program booklet and read it. We feel this could be the best fifteen minutes you could spend to benefit your Lodge, and there are many potential benefits this program can provide.

The Shepherding Program is a valuable tool for every Lodge, because it serves a dual purpose. The primary purpose is to provide a mentor and companion to the new Mason during his first year of his membership. Educating and acclimating are the main functions of the Shepherd. Establishing this concept in our Lodges will be a big help in Membership Retention. We can plug the cracks that our new Brothers sometimes fall through because of inactivity or feelings of not being needed.

### Renew involvement

The second benefit this program can yield is to activate your "veteran" membership. By soliciting these Brothers to work with

and guide the new Masons, they can renew their involvement in the Lodge. This will, in turn, rekindle the spirit of Masonry in the Lodge and in the Fraternity, as well.

### L.S.O.M.E.

Every Lodge should have the L.S.O.M.E. video and booklets distributed by previous Staff Officers. If your Lodge does not have these materials, please contact us and we will help you get what you need.

The entire video is to be shown to your candidates during their Degrees. We understand that some Lodges only use the video during the investigation. They are unaware that they are short changing the new Masons and slowing their progress in the Fraternity. This trend must end!! Properly educating our new Brothers is the first step in retaining their membership.

### The future

Our next article will feature our views on the third aspect of Membership Retention, N.P.D. reduction. A new program is available through Grand Lodge designed to stop membership loss before it's too late. By the way, this program was created right here in the Monroes.

### Use your power

Your Districts' Retention Team is committed to strengthening Masonry and membership in the Monroes. You have the power to magnify our efforts. You have the power to keep Masonry in the Monroes vital and active. Use your power, join our Team by supporting and instituting these programs in your Lodge. □

son. Every Lodge must pray and plan for itself.

Our Ancient operative Brethren made the hard choice of opening up their beloved craft to speculative Masons. This must have taken a great deal of courage and faith. Yet their love of the Craft overcame fear, "and this, through a succession of ages are transmitted unimpaired the tenets of our institution".

Brethren, start your engines - your designs upon the trestleboard will tell future generations whether our generation had the fortitude to make the hard choices now, which in retrospect allowed them to continue to have a viable, productive Craft. Imagine a movie of this time period being played in the future - will we be cheered or booed for our efforts?

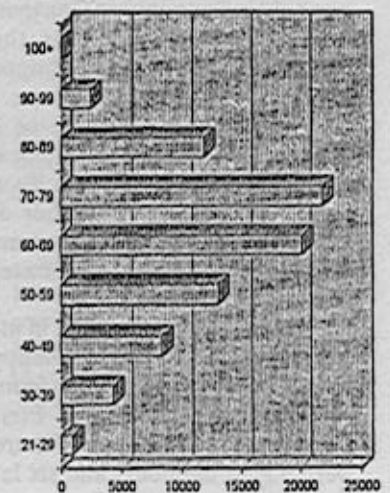
The choice resides in each and every one of us.

### Membership statistics

21-29	919
30-39	4,305

40-49	8,389
50-59	13,070
60-69	20,140
70-79	21,863
80-89	11,891
90-99	2,442
100+	65
	83,084
No D/O/B	1,654
Total	84,738

Average age - 65.32 □



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## R..W.. Chester W. MacRae



*Town Meeting  
a Success*

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

**Past**

The Regional Town Meeting, comprising the 8 Districts in our local area—the two Monroes, 3 Erie, Niagara/Orleans, Livingston and Genesee/Wyoming, were represented. The Grand Master deftly and capably answered all questions submitted. The session was moderated by R..W.. Trosin, Senior Grand Deacon. Congratulations to R..W.. Powley, of Niagara/Orleans and our R..W.. Nicoll, for the arrangement and accommodations at the Genesee Community College, Batavia.

**Wendell Walker Award**

A highlight of the meeting was the presentation of the Wendell Walker Award. The Grand Master chose this occasion to recognize an outstanding Mason of the Districts represented. This prestigious medal was presented to our own R..W.. Leonard Mason. We should all be proud of the recognition of his accomplishments.

**Present**

The District has distributed an excellent video of an example of a Brother Bring-a-Friend Night. The 12 Lodges are grouped by threes as follows:

- Group 1-Hesperus, Olive Branch and Batavia
- Group 2-Constellation, Oakland, and Triluminar
- Group 3-Arcade, Eagle Valley, and Mt. Vernon
- Group 4-West Star, Attica, and Warsaw

Each group has a copy of this video, and it is hoped that the Masters will coordinate the use of the tape in their group.

**Support your officers**

After World War I, our Grand Jurisdiction of New York saw an influx to Masonry of some 51,000 persons, raising our membership to over 300,000. At present our total membership in the State is around 85,000. It is hoped that we have "bottomed out" at this figure. With the efforts and use of this video, our District could again be as enthusiastic and active as it once was. Masters, keep up the good work. Sideliners, attend your meetings and support your Masters and his Staff.

**Child I.D.**

Our Child I.D. Program has progressed thru the Summer. The Council of Masonic Activities now has a professional video camera, a T.V. with video player, rewind and sundry equipment. More incidental equipment has to be purchased to fully equip our program. Donations for various items gratefully accepted. R..W.. Leonard Mason is heading this program at present.

**Future**

After a restful Summer, the Craft will be awakening from its slumber to an active and eventful Fall.

I am looking forward to meeting and visiting with all of the Genesee/Wyoming Brothers. My Official Visits are:

- Sept. 20-Olive Branch No. 39
  - Sept. 21-Hesperus No. 837
  - Sept. 26-Batavia No. 475
  - Oct. 3-Warsaw No. 549
  - Oct. 9-Mt. Vernon No. 263
  - Oct. 10-Arcade No. 419
  - Oct. 18-Attica No. 462
  - Oct. 25-Triluminar No. 543
  - Nov. 2-Constellation No. 404
  - Nov. 6-West Star No. 413
  - Nov. 9-Eagle Valley No. 1161
  - Nov. 21-Oakland No. 379.
- Hope to see you soon. □

## Grand Steward

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



R..W.. Donald Wagner

**District Go to Church and  
Breakfast Sunday**

We had a fine turn-out on Sunday, August 6th, for a delicious 8:00 a.m. breakfast, an hour of fellowship, and an inspiring 10:00 a.m. service at the West Middlebury Baptist Church.

A special thanks to Marilyn Lyles, and the Order of the Eastern Star, whose large turn-out graced the day.

Even though there were other events occurring on that day in our neighboring Districts, most of the Lodges in the Genesee/Wyoming District were represented, as was our Grand Lodge by R..W.. Chester MacRae and R..W.. Donald Wagner.

**Enhance Masonry**

This Masonic Sunday, as I shall name it, is not designed to honor any particular man or woman in Masonry, but to enhance Masonry within our District and raise the interest of our non-Masonic friends and acquaintances.

August 4, 1996

Let's get our team together for Masonic Sunday, August 4th, 1996. Let's make an effort not to schedule any Lodge or Eastern Star functions for this date. I can think of no reason to exclude any of the Concordant Bodies, thereby making it a truly Masonic Sunday. Think of it as though we are entering upon a great and important undertaking. We will all be at an appropriate place for our devotions. □

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



R..W.. Robert Nicoll, Master  
768-7922  
1st & 3rd Wed.

W.. David Ehrhart, Secretary  
768-6474  
8 West Main Street  
LeRoy, N. Y. 14482

By R..W.. Robert Nicoll  
Maonry is alive and well in LeRoy. We have been very active all Summer long.

Beginning in May we held the first ever "Masonic Heritage Week". This first was successful because Olive Branch Lodge opened its doors to the public. We discovered there are three Prince Hall Masons living in LeRoy. Olive Branch is without a doubt the oldest continuously operating organization in Leroy, with the dispensation granted in 1811 and the Lodge chartered in 1813. The first leaders in the town were Masons, and the first Town Supervisor was a Mason. The first business, a Grain Mill, was built and operated by a Mason. During the troubled times of the Morgan Affair, seven Olive Branch Brothers kept the charter active by meeting "secretly" in barns, attics, and warehouses. Today Olive Branch Lodge No. 39 is known as the Preserver of Masonry West of the Genesee River.

**New Officers**

At the Election of Officers, the following were installed in their Stations and Places:

- Master-R..W.. Robert G.S. Nicoll
- S.W.-Michael P. Smith
- J.W.-W.. Robert Clow
- Treas.-Clayton D. Dimick
- Sec.-W.. David Ehrhart
- Chap.-R..W.. Paul L. Smith
- S.D.-R..W.. Cordyn C. Durney

- J.D.-George Hartrick
  - S.M.C.-Nevin Brick
  - Tiler-W.. Ernest Curtis
- Best wishes

Olive Branch congratulates Bob Forbes for his service as Secretary. We wish him well in his recovery from surgery.

**Reaching out**

This year we had a booth at the LeRoy/Oatka Festival. We sold pure maple syrup, made by my son, Jeff and his friend, Tom Scott. We also introduced LeRoy to maple syrup sno-cones, and needless to say, we met many young men who were given the pamphlet, "Who Are The Masons?".

**Summer activities**

Every Tuesday during July and August, the ladies of the Eastern Star entertained veterans at the VA Hospital in Batavia with luncheon. Linda Baudanza, Recreation Therapist, R..W.. Sheldon Moden, Masonic Representative

## DeWitt Clinton Award presented to LeRoy Volunteer Ambulance Service



R..W.. Robert Nicoll and LeRoy Town Historian, Lynne Belluscio presenting the DeWitt Clinton Award to David Mancuso, EMT for the LeRoy Volunteer Ambulance Service.

to the VA, and Al Hadjuk took six veterans to the Mumford Fish Hatchery. The fish caught were filleted, and cooked at Olive Branch as an added treat to the luncheon.

August 12th was the Grand Master's Town Meeting at Genesee Community College. It was a huge success. How good it is for Brothers to dwell in Harmony and Unity.

**September meetings**

On September 6th the Officers will meet at 7:30 p.m. to make plans for the year.

On September 9th and September 16th we will have Saturday clean-up at the Masonic Hall at 9:00 a.m.


There will be an Open Meeting, Friendship Night with the OES, at 8:00 p.m. on September 18th.

There will be another Open Meeting on September 20th at 7:30 p.m. It will be Friendship Night with fellow Masons.

Now that Olive Branch Lodge No. 39 is very active and growing, don't sit home. Come and be a part of the action.

Remember-Blue Lodge recruits men and makes Masons. □

## HESPERUS Lodge No. 837



W.. Ted Paine, Master  
548-7136  
1st and 3rd Thursday

W.. John Specht,  
Secretary 548-2694  
12 South Lake Ave.  
Bergen, N.Y. 14416

By W.. Ted Paine

**New Officers**

I would like to start off by introducing the Officers of Hesperus Lodge for this year:

- Master-W.. Theodore W. Paine, Sr.
- SW-George R. Springett
- JW-Joseph M. Chimino
- Treas.-W.. Kenneth Barons
- Sec.-W.. John A. Specht
- Chaplain-R..W.. Robert G. Seils
- SD-W.. Garry Hutchurson
- JD-Keith C. Denton
- MC-Marshall B. Krause
- Ralph Massocci
- Stewards-Norman P. Austin
- Richard M. Leavitt
- Marshal-R..W.. Holden P. Miller
- Organist-Chet Banach
- Tiler-W.. Stuart P. Lambein

**First meeting**

The first Lodge meeting will be Thursday, September 7th at 7:30 p.m., and will be a warm up for the District Deputy Grand Master's Official Visit on Thursday, September 21st. There will be a dinner starting at 6:00 p.m., with Lodge opening at 7:30 p.m.

**Child I.D.**

Hesperus Lodge is sponsoring a Child I.D. Videotaping session on Saturday, September 16th, at the Bergen Fire Hall from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. We have appointments to tape 100 children.

**Chicken and Biscuits**

Hesperus Chapter No. 823, OES, will be putting on a Chicken and Biscuit Dinner on October 7th at the Gillam-Grant Community Center, 6966 West Bergen Road. Take-outs will be served from 4:30 p.m., with eating in starting at 5:00 p.m. Adults are \$5.50; Senior Citizens \$5.00; children 5-12 \$3.00; and under 5, free.

**Fall events**

On October 5th there will be a 1st Degree, with dinner at 6:00 p.m. Degree work will start at 7:30 p.m.

Hesperus Past Master's Club will meet on October 12th at the Lodge at 7:30 p.m.

The Lodge Fish Fry will be October 13th. More information next month.

The Annual Election Day Sauerkraut Dinner will be November 7th, starting at 4:00 p.m. at the Lodge.

I am looking forward to seeing all Lodge members attend at least one communication this year. □

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(Jan-Feb-Mar  
3rd Wed Only)

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

By W. Norman Steinbaugh  
Installation

On June 7, 1995, following a Roast Beef on 'Wick Dinner, the Officers of Attica Lodge No. 462, Olive Branch Lodge No. 39, and West Star Lodge No. 413, were installed in Open Lodge. I believe that this was the first triple Installation in the Genesee/Wyoming District, and it was performed by the Purple Apron Club. Thank you to Leone Nicoll, our organist for the evening, and Suzanne Carter, who printed our programs.

For those who missed this historic event, the following Attica Officers were installed:

- Master-W. Norman Steinbaugh
- SW-W. Robert Strang
- JW-Michael Molloy
- Sec.-R. W. Donald N. VanSon
- Treas.-W. Louis Godfrey
- Chap.-W. David Buchheit
- SD-Charles Lapp
- JD-W. Everett Norris
- SMC-Frank Rechlin
- JMC-W. Robert Haynes
- Stewards-W. Daniel Kelsey and Samuel Norris
- Marshal-R. W. Donald E. Wagner
- Trustee-Samuel Norris

The Officers sincerely thank everyone for their support over the past year, and are looking forward to this year. If you have any concerns, suggestions or criticisms about your Lodge, please let us know. If you are out of the area or can't make it to Lodge, please drop us a card and let us know how you are doing.

**Fifty Years**

On June 19, 1995, Bro. Frederick Green traveled from his home in Florida to Attica to celebrate his fifty years in Masonry at Attica Lodge. After renewing some old acquaintances and making new ones, Bro. Frederick was presented his Fifty Year Certificate and Pin by R. W. Chester W. MacRae,

D.D.G.M. for the Genesee/Wyoming District. Everyone enjoyed helping make short work of the cake and ice cream that was served. Congratulations to Bro. Frederick.

**Child I.D.**

Attica Lodge's fundraiser to benefit the Child I.D. Program was very successful last Fall. However, funds are still needed for tapes and equipment. We intend to hold another fundraiser this Fall to help keep this worthwhile program up and running in our District. More on this next time.

**District A.G.L. Convention**

The District A.G.L. Convention is at Attica Lodge on November 14th. There will be a dinner before the Convention, so mark your calendars and plan to attend. Last year two Lodges in the District earned the Potts Award. Let's try for all the Lodges this year!

**Molly**

Just in case you were wondering, Molly is at Attica Lodge on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month. In September, that's the 6th and the 20th. We hope to see you there.

"The handwriting has been on the wall."

In January, 1975, I was installed as Worshipful Master of Attica Lodge No. 462, F. & A.M. Part of my address to the Masons there assembled (no open meetings back then) included a variation of the phrase that was given by John Fitzgerald Kennedy at his Presidential Inauguration. He said, "Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country". I appropriated this expression with a small change. "Ask not what your Lodge can do for you, ask what you can do for your Lodge". I believe it is more appropriate now than it was in 1975.

During my career with the Bell system, whenever a problem came up, the alarms would go off. Gongs gonging, bells ringing, and lights flashing-grabbing your attention-making you aware of the problem. This Fraternity does not have any gongs or bells to give us an audible warning, but we do have a light. A light that has been hidden for too long. It hasn't gone out. If so, that would be the end of Freemasonry as we know it. Unfortunately, it has dimmed. We must take this as a serious warning and take heed! To make the light grow brighter, we must add new men to our rolls.

There isn't one of us that wouldn't do what is necessary to perpetuate Freemasonry. Now is the time for all Masons to come to the aid of their Fraternity. Your light is needed now. Come to your next Lodge communication. Take a part, get involved, put on a program on a subject of which you have an interest. You will be an asset to your Lodge, your Worshipful Master and to the Brethren. The effort will be noted and without a doubt inspire your Brethren to do likewise. As interest increases, so will your desire to bring some of your

non-Masonic friends to share your notable experiences. Being a gregarious people, it is our nature to seek the company of others.

**Youth programs**

There are two programs our Fraternity has undertaken to interface with our communities. Both are designed with the youth in mind. We all have at one time or other attended a school. I believe we would all agree that a school is no place for drugs. Drugs will steal your mind. Drug Free School Zones are a must.

When it comes to stealing, there is a flaw in our society that causes the stealing of our children. Because of this, the Grand Lodge is supporting the Child I.D. Program. What better place is there for a public relation gambit?

Masonry begins and ends with you. Are you going to be the beginning of a growing, prosperous Lodge? Or, are you the end?

We, yes, you and I, will be the beneficiaries. Time marches on.

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



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

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

By R. W. Leonard W. Mason  
Welcome back to the Fall of 1995. It has been a hot Summer that no one will forget. The Go-To-Church Sunday was very enjoyable and well attended.

**Child I.D.**

The Child I.D. Program is well under way and yours truly was requested to assist in getting the program requirements together for the District. Through the help of several Brothers we have the following in our possession: video camera, microphone, background frame and material, video tape rewinder, TV with integral VCR, extension cords, surge protected plug strip, carrying tote, and floor location identifiers.

We still need workers to provide this service for the children and their parents in our District. Please let me know if and when you will be able to assist.

**Town Meeting**

The Town Meeting held by the Grand Master and his Staff at the Genesee Community College in Batavia was to answer any questions posed by the Brethren of the several Districts in the Western Region. It was informal and enlightening. The Grand Master fielded all questions with candor and some with humor.

I was the most surprised of all at the Meeting when I received the Wendell K. Walker Award. This was a milestone in my life and I was speechless for a change. It was a great honor to be selected to receive this Award and I appreciate it a great deal.

**Degrees**

We have two candidates for the 1st Degree this Fall. I hope you will support those conferring the Degrees as well as the candidates.

**CONSTELLATION  
Lodge No. 404**



W. Cletis E.  
Shoup, Master  
237-2988

\$  
1st & 3rd  
Thursdays

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

By Paul L. Stickley

**Greeting to all!**

I hope that you have had the best of all Summers. It surely went fast. Let us try to make this the year for the revitalization of Constellation Lodge. Let us have a big turnout for our first meeting!

**Officers for the year**

- Master-Cletis E. (Gene) Shoup
- SW-Paul L. Stickley
- JW-Dale E. Cooley
- Treas.-John R. Miller
- Sec.-Charles H. Myers
- Chap.-Robert M. Burt
- SD-Robert L. Miles
- JD-Daryl L. DeGross
- Sr. MC-Gary A. Jurkowski
- Jr. MC-James S. Sanford
- Marshal-John G. Butler
- Organist-John R. Barnard
- Tiler-Milo D. McBride

**Goals**

The Master's major concerns for the year will be:

1. Revitalization of our local Blue Lodge programs.
2. Promotion of contentment within the Craft.
3. Resolving our declining membership.

There is also a clear need to include the widows of our deceased Masons at our social gatherings. Similarly, to be alert to the needs, feelings, and interests of our member's ladies. Joint program efforts with the Order of the Eastern Star will be stressed again this coming year. Let us make 1995-96 a banner year!

**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. William H. Genagon  
September

It's almost that time of year again; time to dust off the Ritual books and look at the Trestleboard for the work of the coming year. I look forward to a challenging and exciting year.

We have many interesting programs scheduled. Our first communication will be of interest to all, especially to our new members. R. W. Vern Rupert will give a program on Masonic Etiquette. The differences between the Titles, Sign of Fidelity, Grand Honors, and introductions, will be reviewed.

Our second communication in September will be our Official Visit by our D.D.G.M., R. W. Chester MacRae. This promises to be an informative meeting.

**Good food**

My thanks to our Junior Warden, W. D. Mark Madgett for the fine St. John's Day breakfast we had at Lambert Park, and also, the fine Steak Roast we had for our Annual Picnic.

On August 19th and 20th, Batavia Lodge operated a hot food stand at the Air Show. I will have more on this in our next article.

I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable Summer. We'll see everyone at our first communication in September.

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



W. Tom Scott,  
Master

1st and 3rd  
Tuesdays  
(Jan/feb/mar:  
1st Tues only)

W. Richard L. Smith, Secretary  
493-5408  
134 South Main St.  
Castile, N.Y. 14427

By W. Tom Scott

**A new beginning**

Another Summer has passed and I hope for an exciting year. I, being the new Master coming in, am really looking for all my Brothers from Oakland Lodge to assist me in making this year one that we can be proud of.

**Candidate**

We have a new candidate ready to come in and I will be looking for your assistance. The 1st Degree will be on September 19th at 8:00 p.m. in our Lodge.

**Come on out**

I am looking forward to being your Master and hope to see you at our first meeting on September 5th.

**Western Star  
Chapter No. 35  
RAM**

1st & 3rd Thursdays

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

200 E. Main Street  
Batavia, NY 14020

By William H. Genagon, EHP  
We have a challenging year ahead of us; we have a candidate who is waiting to receive his Degrees. Can we put the Degrees on in Batavia, or do we have to wait for a festival sometime in the year ahead?

**3rd Thursday**

Our first meeting will be on September 21st. At this meeting, I hope we can come up with some ideas for the year ahead. I feel that if we can all work together, this Chapter will grow, not only in numbers, but also in Masonic knowledge. I know in the past it was much easier to do Degrees and Ritual work, as we had many more Companions than we do at the present time. We need to put our ideas together and strive to make this a successful and working Chapter.

I hope everyone had a safe and happy Summer, and I look forward to seeing all of you on the 21st of September.

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By W. George Springett  
Capital Equipment Account

The Capital Equipment Account was established for acquisition, maintenance and control of necessary equipment to operate the District's Child I.D. Program. An assessment letter has been sent to each Lodge explaining this need and payment is due by September 1st.

**Applications**

No applications as of this meeting date have been presented for review by the Committee for Grand Lodge candidates. A letter was sent to each Master and Secretary stressing the need to supply applications at an early date and not later than October 6th.

**Tapes**

Two video tapes were presented for use by any of the District Lodges as a suggested program for a Bring-a-Friend meeting. They are the Monroe's Child I.D. "How To" Program and the Acacia Village tape. They will be distributed through the Master's & Wardens Assoc. on September 29th.

**Fish Fry**

The District's Fall Fish Fry has been scheduled for October 6th. More plans will be made available as they materialize.

**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

**Brethren**

It was nice to see the support for the Go-to-Church Sunday service in West Middlebury. For those not attending, you missed something.

**No response**

No applications have been received for DDGM or Staff Officer, as of early August.

**Molly**

Shortly, visitations will begin throughout the District. Let's see how many times Molly can be moved around this year, along with attending the visitations.

**Election of Officers**

The Annual Meeting of the Purple Apron Club will be held October 7, 1995, in Attica at 6:00 p.m. There will be a dinner, so please plan on attending. With the changing of the fiscal year for all Lodges, the Election of Officers

will be in the Fall, rather than in the Spring.

**October 15**

Ladies Night for the Purple Apron ladies will be held October 15th at Byrnclyff. R.W. Ken Kohlhaugen has made the arrangements and cards will be sent out to all for reservations.

**June dinner**

A very nice dinner meeting for the Purple Apron and their ladies was arranged by R.W. John Stockholm. It was held June 11th at Cristina's Restaurant in Batavia, and was very well attended.

**Masters & Wardens Association**  
GENESEEWYOMING DISTRICT  
President  
R.W. Robert Nicoll 494-2148  
Vice President  
W. John Specht 548-2694  
Secretary/Treasurer  
W. George Springett 247-3557

By W. George Springett  
From his beginning in Masonry while standing in the Northeast Corner, the apex of growth in his Life's Circle, Friendship, Morality, and Brotherly Love become the by-words of his progress toward being a better man. Through education, a Brother can learn to expand upon the teachings contained in the ritual that we all know and practice.

One way to expand your Life's Circle is to attend the next Masters and Wardens Association meeting on September 29th. It will be at Attica Masonic Temple with dinner at 6:00 p.m. Remember, this is an Open Meeting for any Master Mason and his significant other. We appreciate the attendance of the ladies for we know that behind every good Mason stands a great woman. For the continuance of Masonry, it is imperative that these great ladies learn and understand why Friendship, Morality, and Brotherly Love mean so much to us as Masons.

**Agenda**

The September meeting agenda will include Bro. Norman Austin as guest speaker, the Election of Officers, Child I.D. Program developments and the distribution of tapes, "Acacia Village" and "How to do a Child I.D.", by the Monroe Districts.

**Nun-Da-Wa-Ga Council No. 92**  
4th Monday  
Ruel R. Lovett  
Ill. Master  
494-2546  
Ill. Robert F. Dagen  
Recorder  
548-7148  
West Main Street  
LeRoy, NY 14482

By Ruel R. Lovett, Ill. Master  
Welcome back to the Council. I hope you had an especially good Summer, and each of you has good memories to cherish. Patti and I were very busy; probably won't slow down 'til Christmas.

**Grand Council**

Grand Council is September 6, 7, and 8th. We will attend and

represent our Council. It will be good to share the companionship of Comp. Ken Kohlhaugen. With his help, I will try to pass on events of the session at our September 25th meeting.

**Sickness**

No one has passed on any information of sickness or distress. I hope there was none, and that all are enjoying the best of health. There was one exception, Comp. Donald Clattenburg is now permanently in the Veteran's Hospital. May God show His mercy in all that he is, and all that he will be. We extend our best wishes to his family, and we assure you that he will be always in our thoughts and prayers.

**Better Degrees**

Don't forget to bring in your petitions. Like all other organizations, we need new members. It is a good idea to begin studying your parts for the Cryptic Degrees. The better we learn our parts, the better our Degrees.

**Reminder**

Good attendance is important to any organization. Last year was especially good. Let's try to equal or surpass that banner year. If you have ideas that can help, please pass them on. Each idea will receive attention. We'll see you at Council.

**Batavia Commandery No. 34 Knights Templar**  
Meets  
2nd & 4th Thursdays  
SK Ruel R. Lovett  
Commander 494-2546  
SK Allen L. Capwell  
Recorder 786-3897  
Masonic Temple  
200 E. Main Street  
Batavia, NY 14020

By SK Ruel Lovett  
**Busy Summer**

This has been one of the best Summers in memory. In spite of the unusual amount of heat, we seemed to find plenty to do. Lady Patti is now retired. The "honey-do" weekend is now seven days per week. Next week I expect to get a bagel! The roof needs some repair.

**Holy Land**


Our Ladies Night at Cristina's was well attended and we had a good time. The Reverend Daniel Russell was our special guest and he gave a slide presentation of his trip to the Holy Land. His talk was as interesting as the slides. I thank him for his special effort. I know that he will make good use of his new "first hand" knowledge. I hope the ladies enjoyed the evening as much as we did.

**Candidates needed**


Our first meeting of the Fall will be on September 14th. If you have petitions, please turn them in as soon as possible. We will feel much stronger about putting on the Degrees if we have our own Candidates. Let's try to make a special effort.

I haven't heard of any sickness or distress during the Summer. I hope this means that all had a very good Summer. We'll see you on September 14th.

**ASSISTANT GRAND LECTURERS**



W. EUGENE BRENDEL  
FIRST MONROE DISTRICT



W. DAVID JONES  
SECOND MONROE DISTRICT

As is usually the case, Summer '95 has passed far too quickly and it is time to resume our Masonic labors. The difficulty in casting off the relaxed attitudes of the Summer season often comes as a surprise when we find ourselves searching for that key word or phrase of ritual that causes us to stumble at the first meeting of the Fall. Perhaps picking up the ritual book and perusing it for a few moments will help jar us back to reality and prevent those knowing looks from the Past Masters sitting on the sidelines.

Attendance at the last School of Ritual at ERAC Lodge in May was good. Seneca and Oatka Lodges did a fine job of guiding us through the EA Degree. As usual, Charlotte-Corinthian had a great turnout and holds a commanding lead (59 points) in the race for the banner. Union Star (23), Northfield (22), ERAC (22) and Seneca (20) are in strong competition for runners-up and all but five Lodges have been represented at the Schools this year.

September 28th will be an opportunity for those Lodges to be present as Flower City and Churchville will be leading us through the Fellowcraft Degree. We will meet at the Webster Temple at 7:30 p.m. and will adjourn by 9:00 p.m. Why not get your Line Officers together and join us? Webster is easy to get to and they are always good hosts.

**Grand Lecturer's Convention**

October 25th is the date of the Grand Lecturer's Convention and we will need a major effort to exceed last years record of nine Potts Awards. Can we do it? It's all up to you guys in the quarries! Don't forget to make your reservations for the 6:30 p.m. dinner preceding the Convention. Rochester Chapter, OES, will be providing the Meat Loaf Dinner with all the trimmings for \$6.50. The Grand Lecturer, M.W. Calvin Bond enjoys coming to Rochester, and with his easy going manner, is a pleasure to work with. ERAC, Webster, Northfield and Towpath Lodges will participate in the Master Mason Degree.

**1996 dates**

For those Lodges that would like to participate in a Degree Fest in 1996, we have scheduled April 20th as the date for the 3rd Degree at the TCC. We will be contacting Masters to confirm Lodge participation.

**Working together**

The ritual is what makes our Fraternity different from all other organizations. Helping one another to learn and perform ritual in a competent manner can be a rewarding experience binding us together in a way that we can truly consider ourselves Brothers. The Schools of Ritual help to serve that purpose. Join us and be part of the experience!

**Public Involvement and Awareness**  
Thomas Paglia, Chairman  
1st & 2nd Monroes, 227-2048

By R.W. Thomas M. Paglia, Chairman

**Adults with Disabilities**

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are there for the week to help make these people feel whole again.

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Thank you very much.

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### Wakan-Hubbard Lodge No. 154



W. Thomas Hueston, Master  
H 723-0173  
W 588-5561

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

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

By W. Thomas Hueston

Welcome back! As we return to Lodge and put away our memories of the Summer, I thank everyone who participated in the July 1st parade, despite the weather. R.W. Wayne Slack said, "It's clear and sunny, come on over", but Wayne, it does rain in Penfield!

#### Picnic

Thanks to W. John Zabel for his fine job with the Fellowcraft Picnic. Everyone who attended had a good time. It was nice to see Jim Willis there. The word from the picnic was that W. Ange DiCataldo can't play cards anymore, and to watch out for Bro. Howard Francis who has a mean throwing arm when it comes to Horseshoes.

#### New year

As we begin our new year, I would like to introduce your Officers for 1995-96:

Master  
W. Thomas J. Hueston  
Sr. Warden - Donald A. Bell  
Jr. Warden - Frank Briffa  
Sr. Deacon - Sherwin Isaacs  
Jr. Deacon  
Raymond DiJames  
SMC - Robert Betowski II  
Stewards - James VanZile and  
Richard Brockmann, Jr.  
Marshal  
W. Richard Brockmann, Sr.  
Tiler - R.W. Wayne Slack  
Chaplain  
R.W. Stanley V. Peterson  
Secretary - W. Ted Snyder  
Treasurer  
R.W. Louis DiJames  
Organist - Bill Fay  
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R.W. Charles C. Spiegel, Jr.  
September

Our first meeting will be September 11th when we will have

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dinner with the ladies, a short meeting and a program presented by the Irondequoit Police Dept. It will be "Shoot, Don't Shoot" showing what a police officer faces in real life situations whether or not to use his weapon.

September 20th will be a Brother Bring-a-Friend Night at the Lodge starting at 7:30 p.m. This year's Clambake will be on September 23rd at Damascus

Architect above. We also extend our condolences to Bro. Pat Torre on the loss of his wife and to W. Angelo and Karen DiCataldo on the passing of her father.

#### Brothers about

Last February, 4 Past Masters, W. Ray Buckman, W. Burt Reeves, R.W. Norm Jermyn and R.W. Wally Losinger met



W. Ray Buckman, W. Burt Reeves, R.W. Norm Jermyn and R.W. Wally Losinger at their meeting in Florida.



(front) Robert Betowski II-MC, Jeffrey Kaplan-MC, Raymond DiJames-Jr. Deacon, R.W. Louis DiJames-Treasurer, Ted Snyder-Sec., R.W. Wayne Slack-Tiler. (back) W. Richard Brockmann, Sr.-Marshal, Donald Bell-SW, W. Tom Heuston-Master, Frank Briffa-JW, and Stanley Peterson-Chaplain.

Temple. The plans have yet to be finalized. The 1st Degree will be conferred on September 25th with SW Don Bell in the East.

I hope our activities sound exciting and I look forward to seeing you in Lodge. Stay tuned for updates on what I hope will be a fun filled year for all.

#### New and Views

By Don Bell

It was good to see Frank Briffa at the Fellowcraft Steak Roast. He is recovering from surgery and doing well.

#### Condolences

We extend our condolences to the families of Brothers Rudolph Steiner and Derrick L. Heaton who have passed to the Great

for lunch in Ocala, FL. In his most recent letter, Ray said they were being pounded by hurricane, Erin. During the Summer the four and their wives met again.

W. Len DuBois, now residing in FL, was in town last month for the baptism of his and Sally's 5th great-grandchild, a boy. Congratulations, Len and Sally. W. Len says that his Masonic friends in Florida look forward to seeing his copy of the *Masonic Times* each month and always exclaim at the great quality of the paper.

Another of our Florida Residents, R.W. Paul Rogers, passed through the city recently. He was on his way to visit relatives in New England. He looks better than ever. Have a safe trip, Brother Paul.

Sixty Brethren and friends gathered at Ellison Park, recently, to surprise Brother Ed Sklar on the occasion of his 70th birthday. Among the gifts was a large quantity of the Scottish National Brew. Congratulations Brother Ed.

#### New Lodge sign

We have a new Lodge sign posted as you enter the village of Penfield on US 441. Have you seen it?

#### Health Fair

On Saturday, September 30th, Highland Hospital and Assemblyman, James Alesi are sponsoring their "Third Annual Health Fair". It will be held at East Rochester High School, 200 Woodbine Ave. Over 50 free health screening and informational booths will be available. Flu shots will also be given for a nominal fee by the Visiting Nurse Assoc.

#### Future articles

If anyone would like to submit articles for future publication, please send them to me at 15 Timothy Ct., Rochester, NY 14623.

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



W. Tom O'Leary,  
Master  
288-7381

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

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

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

By W. Tom O'Leary

#### Greetings!

I hope everyone has been having a safe and enjoyable Summer. The Trestleboard is filled with many activities and programs, but there is always room for more! Any Brother with ideas is encouraged to contact me.

#### Condolences

We extend our condolences to the families of Bro. Earl E. Brown and Bro. Edward C. Powell on their passing to the Supreme Architect above.

#### Ritual Directors

Our Ritual Directors this year are R.W. Pat McNenny (461-1254) and W. Art Mason (671-8283). Let's give them our full support! Degrees will begin on October 9th, with the first rehearsal on October 2nd. The Lodge is very grateful for the fine job W. Dave Jones did as Ritual Director the past few years.

#### First meeting

The first meeting will be on Monday, September 11th, with dinner at 6:30 p.m. and Lodge at 7:30 p.m. R.W. Ron Mertens will be the guest speaker and his subject will be the Grand Lodge. For dinner reservations, contact Bro. Bob Carlson at 426-8572.

#### Brother Bring-a-Friend Night

Our first Brother Bring-a-Friend Night will be on Monday, September 18th. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m., followed by a short program at 7:30 p.m. For questions, contact R.W. Bruce Chilton at 342-0562 or W. Art Mason at 671-8283, whom we thank for running the program this year. Dinner reservations should be made with Bro. Bob Carlson at the number listed above. Remember, there is no charge for our dinner guests at this event.

#### Second meeting

The second meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 25th. Reservations will be accepted by Bro. Bob Carlson for the dinner, which begins at 6:30 p.m. Lodge starts one hour later. A program change is under way. This will be a busy meeting with many petitions to be read and investigating committees to be appointed. We already have three petitions.

#### School of Ritual

The School of Ritual will be at Webster Lodge on Thursday, September 28th. The time is 7:30 p.m.

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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

Summer will be waning by the time this reaches you. For some reason this Summer was a difficult one for me, with constant running, and little time to stop and smell the roses. One enjoyment was traveling for five days on my motorcycle with the Mrs. hanging on the back. Even the rain we got caught in was a welcome relief on a rather hot day. I sincerely hope that the Summer was a time of health for all of you.

#### Events

It was nice to see some faces that we don't regularly see at the canal boat ride and at the steak roast. Both were successful events and a good start to the new year's meetings. Don't forget to call your reservations for September 12 in to Don Rose, Ray Glegg or Stu Walthour.

#### Toronto weekend

Regretfully, no one has expressed their intention of partaking in the Toronto weekend with St. Andrews. The dates are October 20, 21 and 22. They are planning a welcome Friday evening and an exemplification of an Eighteenth Century Degree on Saturday afternoon, followed by a dance Saturday evening. The dance will be held at the new temple building which is about 10 minutes from the hotel. The closest hotel is the Raddison (formerly a Holiday Inn). Remember, the Lodge has agreed to assist with some of the expenses, so if you are interested please let me know.

#### Membership

Again this year we find ourselves faced with the challenge of increasing our membership. Last year was a disappointment in the number (but not the quality) of Brothers raised. This year we will focus on raising at least 10 members, and if this means making special arrangements for some of the Degrees, we will. There are no holds barred, gentlemen! Let's just do it! You are never too old to propose a member.

#### Coming events

Please check the *Masonic Times* for the dates of upcoming events this month and early next month. Remember the School of Lodge Administration on September 21 and the School of Ritual on September 28.

Your officers will be meeting the third Monday of every month at my office, 50 Ajax Rd. (across from the airport off Buell Rd.) at 7:00 p.m. If you would like to address the group, please feel free to do so.

Rumor has it that our Options Committee is hard at work and should present their first interim report soon. Also, our Trustees have had a few informal meetings during the Summer and have been addressing some tough issues.

I look forward to seeing you at our September meeting.



## FAIRPORT

### Lodge No. 476



W.: Robert L. Slominski, Master  
W 872-4420

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.: Robert Slominski

#### Welcome back to Lodge!

Well, here I am trying to beat the deadline. Seems awfully hard to believe that Labor Day is around the corner. Although the Lodge has been closed for a couple of months, we haven't been totally inactive.

Before launching into the events that occurred this Summer, I'd like to apologize for an error. With all the activities involved with becoming a new Master, it never occurred to me that there wouldn't be another issue of the *Masonic Times* until September. Consequently, some of you did not hear about the events I'm about to describe.

#### Table Lodge

Without a doubt, the best Masonic event of this Summer was the Table Lodge, hosted by R.:W.: Rich Friedman and the Grand Lodge Officers. Eight Brothers from our Lodge joined me for this event, and all were very impressed. As I'm sure R.:W.: Rich will describe elsewhere in this paper, I'll hold off on describing it in full. Just a reminder, we have a similar Table Lodge in our Trestleboard. You should make an earnest effort to attend.

#### Summer trip

On June 9th, a few of us joined North Fairport Lodge on a combination fishing and golfing trip. This was my first visit to the Thousand Islands, and tons of fun. The fishing, boating and golf were great. Seems like you could always find a card game, and to say the least, refreshments were quite liberal. We should make an effort to add this trip to all Summer agendas.

#### Picnic time

In July the Lodge Picnic was held at R.:W.: Chick Becker's camp. Sparsely attended, due to the lack of efficient communication, it was still a lot of fun. Chick has a very nice camp in Honeoye. It's near the lake, and very private. We had a great meal and corn roast. Some went swimming in the lake, and all had a good time picking berries.

#### September

September will be busier than normal. On September 8th, at 7:00 p.m., we are having an Officers meeting. All Officers and Trustees are requested to attend. The sole purpose of this meeting is to insure that our Fall program will run smoothly.

During our first meeting on September 11th, I will open Pandora's box. Let's call this Pro and Con Night. After a very short business meeting, you are invited to an open discussion of reasons to attend, or not attend, Fairport Lodge. This could well be the most important meeting this year. Anyone who has been staying away from Lodge should stretch his cabletow for this one.

September 18th is our Brother Bring-a-Friend Steak Roast. Last year we attracted four new members with this event. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m., and the cost will be \$9.00. Guest dinners are free and anyone bringing a non-member friend gets their dinner for half price.

#### Harmony and fun

In closing, I'd like to remind you that the purpose of this year is to restore harmony and bring some fun into attending Fairport Lodge. Your officers are trying their best to put on programs that will attract you to Lodge. If for some reason you cannot attend the Pro and Con Meeting, feel free to drop me a line and express your feelings.

You can write to me at:  
1556 Trefoil Ct.  
Walworth, NY 14568

Thanks in advance for all your help!

## Valley/Simes

### Lodge

#### No. 109



W.: Richard Snyder  
H-342-2419  
W-586-4624

2nd  
Tuesday  
7:30 P.M.

R.:W.: Herbert Spencer, Sec.  
H 271-8577  
875 Main Street East  
Rochester, N.Y.  
14605-2789

By W.: Richard Snyder

#### Greetings Brothers!

I know it's hard to believe, but the month of September has arrived, and in just a few short weeks the Fall season will be here. Arriving also, is a new year of Masonic activities in your Lodge. Your support is needed to make them successful.

#### We are available

The officers and I hope that your Summer was everything that you wanted it to be. We also hope that this is the year we will see each of you in Lodge supporting the many activities that have been planned, health permitting, of course. Remember, if you cannot drive it only takes a phone call to me at 342-2419 or the Secretary, 271-8577 to find out if a ride is available.

#### First meeting

Our first communication is on September 12th. To get everyone into the right frame of mind, we have planned another "Ugly Shirt Night". The wearing of jackets or suit coats will be definitely out of order and will be the cause of an ordered donation to the Box of Remembrance. Remember, the gaudier the better.

In keeping with the tradition of looking to the past or the good old times, an "Old Time Picnic Dinner", buffet style, will be served at 6:30 p.m. in the dining room. The selections have been carefully chosen by JW Mike Batz to please the most discriminating. Tender fried chicken, potato and macaroni salads, corn on the cob, and tossed salads just to mention a few. Dessert will also be provided. The cost? Only \$5.00 with a reservation made in advance to 346-6067, 342-2419 or 271-8577.

#### Thank you

Many thanks to Bill and Sharon Baldwin for hosting the Lodge picnic. It was a success again with one of the largest turnouts we have had. The many

treats and activities made the day festive.

#### The races

The "Day at the Races" Program at Canandaigua Race Track, hosted by Mike and Marybeth Batz, was a fun filled day attended by several couples. It was observed that the horses and jockeys, picked to win because of their colors or name, were more apt to win than those chosen for past performances. This indeed, was a fine Masonic day with everyone sharing their knowledge of the sport, and losing with a smile.

#### Coming events

The October 10th communication will be an Octoberfest Dinner, a night out with the ladies. The meal will be all German as will be the entertainment. Plan now to attend and join in the fun.

The November 14th communication will be the Official Visit of the DDGM. That night we will conduct our Memorial Lodge of Remembrance. A Roast Beef Dinner is planned.

Brother Bring-a-Friend Night will be on November 21st. Brethren, if your Lodge is to survive, it must have new members. Begin now to search your minds. How many of your acquaintances should be Masons? Surely you know somebody that you associate with who would be a good candidate for our Craft. Let us know who they are and we will send them an invitation to join us for a short informative program.

#### Secretary's message

By R.:W.: Herbert Spencer

#### Sympathy

Heartfelt sympathy goes out to the family of W.: Larry McConnell who was called Home by the Supreme Architect on July 21st. A 1950 Past Master of Valley Lodge, he will be missed by many. The Lodge thanks all the Brothers and their ladies who attended his Masonic Memorial Service.

#### Thanks

On behalf of the Past Masters Club, we thank R.:W.: Robert and Betty Anderson for hosting our Summer Steak Roast. The swimming was great as were the hors d'oeuvres. The steaks were superb. A nicer day of good weather and fellowship couldn't have been asked for.

#### Dues

About 20% of the Brothers still have outstanding dues, some of them for 2 years. If you are one of these, please send them in now. Should there be a problem, please contact the Master or Secretary.

In a few short months we will be sending out the dues notices for 1996. With this notice will be included your Masonic profile as we have it on file in our new computer. Please read it, check it, make the necessary corrections and return it.

#### Brotherhood Fund

Remember the Brotherhood Fund Campaign for 1996 has started. Please send your contributions to the Lodge so we may have them recorded correctly with Grand Lodge. This year's Chairman is R.:W.: William Baldwin.

#### In closing

Let's start this new season of Lodge off on a positive note. Come to Lodge, support the Master, his officers, and the programs. We are looking forward to greeting each of you with the handshake of brotherly love, and hope that you will come and greet us in the same manner.

## MONROE

### Lodge No. 173



W.: Neil E. Laundry, Master  
964-2135

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

Roy D. Goid, Secretary  
637-6419

67 Main Street  
Brockport, N.Y. 14420

By W.: Neil Laundry

I hope everyone has had a healthful and rewarding hiatus from Lodge activities. However, Summer's flown by and that crisp Autumn air can't be far behind. That, my friends is a sure indication that the Lodge is open for business, and Brothers, do we have business!

#### Official Visit

Our first major function will be the Official Visit on September 12th of R.:W.: Richard C. Friedman, DDGM and R.: W.: Bruce D. Chilton, GDC. They will join us for our first meeting of the Fall season, share the Grand Master's Message and review the State and District goals for the year.

As Master, I am really excited about this meeting. There is, of course, the honor of welcoming our distinguished guests, but this will also be the first opportunity for the '95 Officers to strut their stuff. As you know, the '95 Installation took place at our last meeting in the Spring and this is our first regular communication in our new chairs.

I hope everyone is as nervous and excited as I am. Remember, other than yours truly, none of the Brothers in the first five chairs have been through line before. To the entire membership, "Believe me, your attendance will be sincerely appreciated!"

#### Awards Night

A very important evening will be our Fall Awards and Presentations Night. This event will be held on Saturday, September 23rd at 7:30 p.m. in the Brockport United Methodist Church on Main St. It is an Open Meeting with family and friends cordially invited. The program of the evening will consist of the announcement of our Annual Awards, the presentation of Membership Service Awards (several 50 Year Certificates), and a special recognition for R.:W.: James Branigan as Grand Representative to Brazil.

R.:W.: Branigan will be presented with his Purple Apron and Jewel and a reception will follow. Please note that the program is being held at the church to allow for easy access for all. The entire program will be held on the main level. There is no need to fear three flights of stairs. We hope that many of you will take advantage of this opportunity to honor our own.

#### 1st Degree

Following close on the heels of our Awards Night will be the conferring of the 1st Degree on September 26th. SW Mark Hazel will be in the East for the Degree with Bro. Ron Magargee as SD.

We have 4 candidates as of this writing and 2 additional petitioners. Wouldn't it be great to have to request dispensation to initiate 6 new Masons into Monroe No. 173!

#### Best wishes

Our best wishes for good health to all, but especially to those who have been under the weather over the Summer. Bro. Mel Mosher, congratulations on a quick recovery! R.:W.: Jim Branigan, we hope to see you climbing those stairs again soon. Bro. Bob Ellis, now let me see if I have this right. The Doc said he didn't want you riding the tractor, but he didn't say anything about standing up on it? Is that right? I like your thinking. Your garden is beautiful!

#### Money matters

Two quick reminders about finances. We only have a few Brothers who have not sent in their dues for '94 or '95. If you are in that group, please give us a hand and get yourself up to date. If for any reason, that creates a hardship, please let us know that as well. We value your relationship as a member and a Brother far beyond your ability to sign a check.

#### Brotherhood Fund

Please remember the Brotherhood Fund. You do not have to wait for the Chairman's little note before you lend a hand. You've heard this before, but...it is not how much you donate that makes the difference. The key is that you have donated and participated in this Lodge effort.

Until next time, fair winds, smooth sailing, and peace.

## ETOLIAN

### Lodge No. 479



W.: Martin K. Michaels, Master  
H 594-0259

2nd & 4th  
Mondays  
7:30 p.m.

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

By W.: Martin Michaels

Welcome back Brothers! I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable Summer. My family and I had a good time, however, the temperature could have gotten a little warmer for me.

#### Congratulations

Congratulations to Bro. Norman Weinreber and his wife, Lyla, on celebrating 50 years of marriage.

#### Sickness and distress

Bro. Rocky Chambers had back surgery to replace a disc. W.: Ray Burrough's wife, Edna, had surgery in June.

#### Steak Roast

Our Steak Roast will be on Monday, Sept., 11th at 6:00 p.m. Sport shirts will be the dress of the evening. It would help if you gave Bro. Don Darrohn a call at 225-1782 if you plan to attend.

#### Trestleboard

If any Brother has not received

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a copy of the Trestleboard, give me a call at 594-0259. I will make sure that you get one.

**90th Birthday**

On Sunday, August 20th, an Open House Reception was held at the home of Jerry and Nancy Huffman to celebrate the 90th birthday of R. W. Harold Pixley (August 19, 1905). Everyone had a great time.

God bless and I look forward to seeing you in Lodge. □

**CLIO**  
**LODGE No. 779**



W. David Upham, Master  
392-6486

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

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

By Charles A. Tucker, DSA  
Well, Summer is just about gone and it is back to Lodge on September 5th for our first meeting. I hope you all enjoyed a safe Summer.

**Condolences**

We extend our sincere sympathies to W. Allen Speer and family on the death of his son, Kermit.

**Feeling better?**

We hope Brothers Herbert Wilmot, Ray Verry and Harry Clapper are feeling better these days.

**Birthdays**

These Brothers celebrated birthdays in July: David Pestell, Stan Durbin, Norman Wright, John Schultz and Stuart Brickman. August found these Brothers celebrating: Dick Barnes, Tom Tanner, Doug Trembeth, Larry Justice, Roy Steinbronn, Jr., Robert Corbitt, and Ralph Massey. Lighting candles in September are: Dana Daniels, James McAttee, Harold McClain, Lawrence Stephaney, Douglas Arnold, and Francis Hand.

**Spaghetti Dinner**

Our first Spaghetti Dinner will be on September 20th. We still need all the help we can get if we expect to have the turnout we have been experiencing. We hope to keep the price the same.

**Sport Shirt Night**

I hope everyone enjoyed our Sport Shirt Night and the dinner prepared by our Master Chef, W. Jerry Jones. □

**Masters & Wardens Association**

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**1st & 2nd MONROE DISTRICTS**

President  
W. R. Adrian Solomon 473-0619  
Secretary  
W. Thomas J. Hueston 723-0173

By W. R. Adrian Solomon  
Greetings to the Worshipful Masters, Senior and Junior Wardens of the Lodges in the Monroe Districts. This will be a very important year in Masonry in Mon-

roe County, and the Masters and Wardens Assoc. will be in a large part responsible for it.

**1st meeting**

The 1st meeting of the Masters and Wardens will be held Saturday, September 23rd at Germania Lodge, 4275 Culver Rd., in Irondequoit. There will be a Turkey Dinner served at 6:00 p.m. at a cost of \$7.00. Reservations are a must and should be made through your group. More details to follow.

Our first program involves no guest speaker. Instead, we will have something different: a group participation exercise. To say more than that would detract from the impact of this important and very entertaining presentation. You will be sorry if you miss it!

**Jackets**

Worshipful Masters: don't forget to wear your gray jackets! The remaining meeting schedule is as follows:

- Oct. 28 - Northfield Lodge
- Nov. 18 - Wakan/Hubbard Lodge
- Jan. 27 - Valley/Simes Lodge
- Feb. 17 - T.B.A.
- Mar. 23 - T.B.A.
- Mar. 30 - Grand Ball, Radisson Inn, Jefferson Rd.
- Apr. 27 - Clio Lodge

I take this opportunity to especially encourage the wives of the Masters and Wardens to attend the meetings.

**Junior Wardens**

Let me congratulate you on your election as Junior Warden. Although I do not know each of you personally, I am confident that you will serve your respective Lodges with skill and diligence.

Among your many tasks as JW is to prepare yourself to become Master of your Lodge. The Masters and Wardens Assoc. is an important part of that preparation. By participating in Masters and Wardens, you will network with your fellow JW's (and also with SW's and Masters). Through Masters and Wardens, you will gain a greater understanding of the role each officer plays in governing his Lodge, and you will also learn how to execute that role effectively.

I look forward to greeting you personally.

**Remember**

People were given two ears and one tongue so that they may listen more than they speak. □

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**General Douglas MacArthur Youth Award presented by Webster Lodge**



R. W. Richard Friedman and Bruce LePlant, recipient of the General Douglas MacArthur Youth Award. Mrs. LePlant and their son were also present for the Ceremony. The award was presented to Bruce by W. Paul Soltzick, Master of Webster Lodge.



W. Paul Soltzick, Master of Webster Lodge No. 538 and Honoree Brother Lynn Bowman.




Brother Lynn Bowman, who was presented his 70 Year Service Award on May 18th, flanked by DDGMs, R. W. Terry Wihlen and R. W. Richard Friedman.



Brother Lynn Bowman, the DDGMs and all the Brothers from Northfield Lodge who were present to honor Lynn that night at Webster Lodge.

**Flower City Lodge No. 910**



W. R. Adrian Solomon, Master  
473-0619

**2nd Thursday**  
**7:30 P.M.**

R. W. Phillip Averbach, Secretary  
458-1817  
**875 Main St. East**  
**Rochester, N.Y. 14605**

By W. R. Adrian Solomon  
Greetings from the Worshipful Master. I cannot tell you how it warmed my heart to see such a large turnout for our Annual Installation of Officers, which was coupled for the first time with our presentation of award certificates and pins.

**Thanks**

Thank you everyone who took part in the evening's ceremonies, including DDGM, R. W. Rich Friedman and GDC, R. W. Bruce Chilton, and most especially to my father, R. W. Maurice Solomon. On behalf of my Officers, thank you for your show of support.

**Trestleboard**

The meeting schedule for the Lodge is as follows: September 7th - Fellowcraft Club, September 14th - 1st Degree and a Wine Tasting on September 28th.

As we have no candidates at this time for the 1st Degree, we will exemplify the Degree. However, this will be no ordinary Degree exercise; it will be educational and inventive, so pay attention and you just might learn something. Don't say I didn't warn you.

Our Wine Tasting on the 28th will be an open event, so please bring your wives or girlfriends. It will be our only open event until the Latka Hop in December. This will also be an ideal opportunity to introduce your non-Masonic friends to Masonry. Remember, everyone knows someone who would make a good Mason.

**I'm sorry**


Apologies to R. W. Dan Blumenthal, whose name was inadvertently omitted from the list of Flower City Lodge's Past Grand Lodge Officers as printed in the Installation Program. □

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### NORTHFIELD

Lodge No. 426  
Instituted March 1857



W.: William D. Spillane  
H 435-0264

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

W.: Donald C. Smith  
Secretary 248-5170  
17 Church Street  
Pittsford, N.Y. 14534

By W.: William D. Spillane Brethren, a hearty "Hello" to you all!! The Officers and I hope you had a safe and enjoyable Summer. We look forward to seeing many of you in Lodge this coming year.

#### Thanks

As I stated in my first article last June, it is my intention to recognize as many as possible of the members and their families who have pitched in to help with Lodge projects. My apologies if you were left out.

First and foremost, I thank Mrs. Erika Berggren, widow of Bro. John Berggren, for a wonderful, thoughtful donation to the Lodge. Ericka's donation touched many of us and really reminds us of the true Mason and gentleman her husband was. Thank you, Erika.

We would like to acknowledge the hard work of Jr. Warden Randy Griswold, and as usual, W.: and Mrs. Robert Zahn, for making the Strawberry Festival and Lodge Picnic so successful. Special thanks to Bro. Charles Crumb for taking time out of his busy life to help with the Strawberry Festival. The team of Crumb, Griswold and Seltzer handled the grilling with speed, a sense of humor, and a lot of sweat!! Our Secretary, W.: Don Smith, was allowed only one break from his cashier position. His only complaint was that young Ben Griswold kept adding the dinner totals in his head faster than Don could using the calculator! Those youngsters have little respect for Lodge Secretary "types".

Thanks to all of the Brothers, wives, widows, and families who worked both the Strawberry Festival and the Annual Colonial Days Sausage Stand. Your help with these fundraising projects is greatly appreciated. If I tried to list all of you, the Editor of this publication would revoke all column privileges.

#### Table Lodge

On July 19th, six of our members and I attended the Monroe District's Table Lodge at Webster Masonic Temple. The purpose of the Table Lodge was to raise money to benefit Eagle Scouts in the Otetiana Council, B.S.A. We had a wonderful time and a great meal. I was also reminded that the Past Masters outnumbered the Officers. This will be the last time, I'm sure. Right, Officers?

#### Blood Drive

Once again our Lodge hosted a Blood Drive for the Town of Pittsford. This year was not as successful as previous years, but

the heat may have had something to do with it. Bro. Walter Weick, D.S.A., did his usual fine job, with fifteen Brothers assisting by making calls.

#### Special recognition

On Saturday, August 5th, several of the Brothers and I met R.:W.: Lloyd McConnell and his wife at the Lodge to present his 55 Year Pin and Certificate. R.:W.: McConnell just turned 90 years young. Thanks to W.: Daniel Walker, who dropped what he was doing on the spur of the moment to attend and assume the photography duties.

#### Best wishes

On August 27th we said goodbye to one of our favorite, hard working, friendly and newest Brothers-Shinpachi Ishimoto. He and his wife are headed back to Japan, their native land. Bro. Shinpachi has honored our Lodge in the short time he was with us, and has decided to continue that honor by maintaining his membership with our Lodge.

#### Upcoming events

Our Lodge activities are many. To help you keep track, here is the September schedule:

- September 7th at 7:30 p.m. will be the first Fall meeting.
- Bring-a-Friend Night is September 14th at 6:30 p.m.
- Past Masters and Awards Night will be September 21st at 7:30 p.m.

#### Please note


There will be NO DINNER on September 21st. There will be refreshments afterwards. The Past Masters will open at 7:15 p.m. SHARP! The Awards Program will start no later than 8:15 p.m., and is an Open Program.

Hint-if you did not hear about it at the Installation, there will be a Dedicated Service Award presented.

See you in Lodge. □

### GERMANIA

Lodge No. 722



W.: David N. Foster, Master  
244-0194

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

Well, it's been a long, hot Summer - one we'll look back at longingly as we shovel our driveways in January! I hope your Summer has been a happy and healthy one. Of course, it's not over yet and, with a little luck, our sizzling Summer will turn into a fabulous Fall!

#### 1st meeting

Our meeting on September 5th (that's the day after Labor Day, don't get caught by surprise) will be Rusty Brother Night. (A Rusty Brother is one who hasn't been to Lodge in over a year.) Any Rusty Brother that comes to Lodge that night will get a special gift. I hope we'll have to give quite a few away! As usual, a Pot Luck Supper will precede the meeting.

#### Goals

One of my goals this year will be to get as many of our Brothers as possible out to Lodge or to a Lodge function. I plan to have a

special inducement for every meeting. Keep your eyes open and come out to Lodge. We really want to see you again.

#### Good news!

It appears we will have at least one petition coming in at our September meeting. We're currently planning to have our 1st Degree at our October meeting. So, if you have any potential candidates, be sure to get your petitions in at our September meeting!

#### More good news

Brotherhood Fund Chairman, Andy McBride, informs me that our final figure for last year's Drive was just over 80% participation. That's fantastic and a hearty congratulations to Andy and all of you who helped us reach this fantastic total. The only problem is that I'd set our goal for this year at 75%. Looks like I need to raise that to 85%! I know we can do it! Andy will be in touch with you soon.

#### A success

By the time you read this, our Corn and Sausage Roast will have been a smashing success. A good time will have been had by all! Thanks to Brothers Bob and Andy McBride for making the arrangements again this year. Of course, special thanks to our host, Bro. Ed Schmitt, whose hospitality was outstanding again this year.

#### Sadness

On a somber note, I must report the passing of Bro. Otto Kassman. Our sincere sympathy to his family and friends.

#### Annual Steak Roast


This event will be held on October 22nd at the South Lodge in Ellison Park. We'll get a flyer out to you with all the details during September, but make sure to put it on your calendar now. It's sure to be a great time as usual. Plan to come and bring some friends along. Bring a signed petition and you and the petitioner come free! How can you beat that?

#### Lastly

I hope to see you at one or more of our upcoming events. Keep the momentum going! Remember, if you have any ideas for any future Lodge activities, give me or one of the other Officers a call. We want to make Lodge as much fun as possible. Let us know how we can do that! We want to be responsive to your needs. We need your input. Better yet, come to Lodge and let me know personally! SEE YOU IN LODGE. □

### Henrietta

Lodge No. 526  
1863-1992



W.: Paul B. Josephson, Master  
334-7353

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 B. Josephson  
Once again the gavel is about to be rapped in the East to call the Craft from refreshment to labor. I hope you all had a good and refreshing Summer and this issue of the Times finds you all in good health.

## Service Awards presented at Henrietta Lodge



(front) Bros. Harold Wagner, John Bell, W.: Ron Morthorst, Bros. Robert Norget, Albert Lingard, W.: Harold Stenzel. (back) R.:W.: Scott Seltzer-GSB, R.:W.: Terry Wihlen-DDGM 2nd Mon., W.: Paul Josephson-Master and R.:W.: Robert Sanford-Sec.

#### Success story

The Annual Star/Lodge Picnic was a success thanks to the able leadership of its Co-chairmen, W.: Ron Morthorst and R.:W.: Bob Sanford. In my absence, R.:W.: Martin Reitz presented the DeWitt Clinton Award to Mary Norget, Bob's wife, for her dedication and countless hours of volunteer work. Congratulations, Mary.

#### September

September 12th will be our Past Masters' Night hosted by W.: Ron Morthorst. The meeting will be preceded by a Chicken Cordon Bleu Dinner. Please call Ron at 334-4196 or me for reservations.

On September 26th we will put on the 2nd Degree with the Master in the East. Let's get out in force to support our newly initiated Entered Apprentice Brothers.

#### Awards Night

The following Brothers were honored on June 13th. Certificates were presented by R.:W.: Terry W. Wihlen, assisted by R.:W.: D. Scott Seltzer and myself, to Robert D. Norget - 55 years, A. Porter Clark - 50 years, Harold Wagner - 50 years, W.: Harold Stenzel - 50 years, and John Bell - 40 years. W.: Ron Morthorst was presented the D.S.A. Apron and Certificate.

#### Fellowcraft news

A great time was had at our June Steak Roast. If you missed it, you missed a good time. I hope you can make our next meeting on September 5th at the Temple.

#### Secretary's corner


R.:W.: Bob Sanford wishes to thank all the Brothers who checked their dues cards and sent in their dues. If you haven't got your 1995 dues card, call Bob at 262-6383.

#### Happy Birthday

Say "Happy Birthday" to these Brothers: Gale Gridley, Don Nersinger, Howard Wilde, Richard Bull, Raymond Hurwitz and Bob Sanford. If you don't see them in person, pick up the phone and wish them well. □

### Charlotte-Corinthian

Lodge No. 1088



W.: Harry A. Gorman, Master  
H 723-1018  
W 726-6265

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

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

By W.: Harry A. Gorman  
Cordial and fraternal greetings to all of my Brothers and I hope that the Summer has been kind to all.

My wife, Carol, and I had the opportunity to visit Hawaii for 14 days, venturing to Kauai, Oahu and Maui. We flew in helicopters, rode submarines, danced on catamarans, rented mopeds and yes, Neil (W.: Neil Laundry), I have photographic proof that when I went scuba diving, I actually went diving. We thoroughly enjoyed the trip and took 19 rolls of film and two video tapes.

#### During the Summer

In June, SW Jim DeLorenzo and I presented our plaque to Charlotte Middle School honoring students who exhibit an exemplary life style and also presented the 1994 and 1995 recipients their \$50 Savings Bond Awards.

In July a team from our Lodge played in a golf tournament to benefit the Special Olympics, and while they didn't win a prize, they had more fun than any other

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team. Also in July, W.: Mike Staub, W.: Dave Jones and I attended the Table Lodge at the Webster Temple to benefit Eagle Scouting, details of which may be found elsewhere in this issue.

In August the Lodge dining room and outside porch railings were painted by a volunteer work party, to whom we extend our thanks.

### Sickness and Distress

Betty Jansson is doing well and is in good spirits and Frank is finally getting some breathing room. We send our love and prayers with the belief that they work.

We are all glad that Jim Thomsen is out of the hospital and doing well. I was not informed of Jim's illness until he was in the hospital for the third time, and I extend my apologies! Brothers, if you become aware of anyone in sickness or distress, or in need of our aid or sympathy, please inform me or one of the Wardens as soon as possible to insure a timely response. The support given by our fraternal order can be a valuable tool in aiding recovery and when you are sick it is a comfort to know that you are not alone.



A Masonic funeral service was held for Brother Clifford B. Joiner on August 1. Brother Cliff was in his 40th year as a Master Mason and we shall miss him.

### Coming events

Our first meeting will be on September 19. It will be Sport Shirt Night with the program being the presentation of the year's trestleboard by the Wardens and

myself. Come see Buzz, Jim and Mike (Moe, Larry and Curley) present our plans for the year. Let's all have some fun and be of service to Masonry and our communities.

**Towpath**  
**Lodge**  
**No. 163**

R. W.:  
Lawrence K.  
Canfield,  
Master  
865-2920

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

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

By R. W.: Lawrence Canfield

It seems like Summer has just begun and now it is over and we have to get back to the business of Towpath Lodge.

One of the major highlights of the Summer was the Lodge Picnic. Over 100 Lodge Brothers, friends and families attended the event. A real big thanks to W.: Craig Covert and Tom LeBeau for handling all the detail work and making things happen. Our resident cooking staff, Dave Hockenberry and Mike Gibbardo, along with Craig and Tom, really topped things off.

The rain did not dampen the spirits of the Scholarship Awards presentation handled by R.: W.: Ron Mertens and R.: W.: Terry Wihlen. The turn-out was great and several of the recipients talked about their programs and how they were doing.

### Sickness

W.: Ed Hoak is recovering from knee surgery and it will be a while before he is running at full steam.

Bro. Fran Warburton is well on the road to recovery from eye surgery.

W.: Lou Campaniello is doing very well recovering from surgery.

Bro. Carl Utrup was in the hospital for a short stay and is recovering.

I'm sure we have more sickness, but that is all that was reported to me at this time.

### Distress

The Lodge was saddened by the loss of 4 Brothers this Summer. W.: Ray Keberle, who was the oldest Past Master of the Lodge died. We also lost W.: Bristol Blossom and my Stepfather, Claude Hyatt. Masonic Services were held for these Brethren. We also heard about the loss of Rufus Hedges in Florida. This would have been his 70th year as a member of the Lodge.

### Fall events

We have scheduled a full calendar of events for the Lodge.

The September 5th meeting will be a presentation about

Camp NaCoRa and the Drug Free School Zone Program.

On Sunday, September 10th, we will be meeting at McDonald's on Fairport Road at 7:30 a.m. for our clean up effort on Fairport Road as part of our Adopt-a-Highway program.

On September 12th we will have a 1st Degree and we expect a full class. The Degree will be preceded by a dinner at 6:30 p.m. at a cost of \$7.00.

On October 3rd, we will host R.: W.: Terry Wihlen, who will make his Official Lodge Visit. We will have a dinner at 6:30 p.m., and the cost is \$7.00. This will also be the Awards Night for 25 and 50 year members.

### Visitation



We will be making every effort to visit our sick and shut-in Brothers over the next few months. If you know of a Brother who could use a visit, please contact the Secretary, Sol Phillips.

### Support your Brothers

Brethren, the Officers urge you to come out and support the programs that have been set up for you. The Degree schedule is full, and seeing a very few on the sidelines is discouraging to a new candidate. We need the new members, but we also need to have our established members attend. Remember, you were a new member once, and how did you feel when you first saw the light of your Lodge?

A special date to keep in mind-December 2nd. Watch for details.

**Churchville**  
**Lodge No. 667**

W.: Edward  
Roman,  
Master  
225-0151

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

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

By W.: Garry Hutchurson

We had an exciting couple of months before we went dark for the Summer. We raised 4 new Brothers; John Hennessy, Roger Catlin, Jesse Noble and Howard Williams. R.: W.: Charles Daycock was in the East for the First Section and R.: W.: Everett Vale for the Second Section. Many thanks to all the members who participated in the Degree.

### New Officers

Our new Line Officers were installed on May 26, 1995. They are:

Master-Edward Roman  
SW-Craig Mollon  
JW-George Burke  
Sec.-R.: W.: Earl Steffen  
Treas.-R.: W.: Don Leisten  
W.: Garry Hutchurson gave the year end report. He wished our traveling man, W.: Jon Deacon, well with the hope we may hear from him soon.

### Presentations

Three Master Mason Appreciation Awards were presented in the Lodge. R.: W.: Rod Meier received one for his help as Secretary these last few years, R.: W.: Everett Vale for long service as Treasurer, and Bro. Craig Mollon for his outstanding service for the Brotherhood Fund. W.: David Jones, AGL for the 2nd Monroe, also presented Bro. Craig the Award of Achievement

from Grand Lodge for his efforts for the Brotherhood Fund. Great job, guys!

Our new Master gave his address thanking the many Brothers for their support and help as he went through the Line. He hopes this will continue in the future.


### Thanks

We've had an exciting year with a great group of guys working on Degrees and dinners. A special thanks to Bro. Daryl Bentley for all the dinners he had to do alone, and a special recognition to Bro. James Molay for his inspiring Bible presentation at the 3rd Degree.

### Official Visit

Hope to see all of you in September. As a reminder, our first meeting is the Official Visit of DDGM Terry Wihlen, and there will be a dinner at 6:30 p.m. God Bless.

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

W.: Charles  
Strickland,  
Master  
H 872-1397

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

### Siesta

I hope everyone had a good Summer, in spite of the high humidity. We are now ready to actively take part in Lodge affairs.

### Annual Picnic

A pleasant breeze off Irondequoit Bay welcomed adults, friends, and children of Craftsman Lodge to our Annual Picnic at the Shrine Mosque on July 15th. Executive chef Tom Kendig, assisted by Chuck Strickland, and chief flipper of hamburgs and hot dogs, Bill Hook, added to the festivities.

### Traditional dinner meeting

September 5th, at 6:30 p.m., will be our traditional dinner meeting, with wives invited. Karen Strickland will prepare the main entree, and other ladies will provide dishes to pass. "Let's do it", and have a record turn-out!

### Alaska bound

Vern and Barbara Goodrich recently returned from a wonderful and exciting two week trip to Alaska. We look forward to hearing more of the details.

### Condolences

Our sympathies go out to Chuck Strickland and his family in the recent loss of his brother.

### Milestones

Our hats are tipped to W.: Elmer LeFevre, who reached 98 years young. Congratulations Elmer, and may you have many more pleasant memories.

### Birthdays

Delayed congratulations to the following Brothers whose birthdays fell in July and August.

In July-Bill Adams, Barry Chermis, Don Fetting, Cliff Field, Bill Hook, Tom Kendig, Dave King, Dave Lerner, Jay Painton, Russ Rines, Dick Sechrist, Frank Suhr, and Gene White.

In August-Jim Causey, Dave DeHollander, Elmer Irish, Mike Jelfo, Bob Jurgensen, Elmer LeFevre, and Stan Nash.

In September-Hal Carlson, Don Connor, Bill Kaufman, Bill Kicherer, Gerry Pfengle, Glenn Post, Chuck Sanford, Fred Stapler, Joe Steffen and Bob Waldeck.

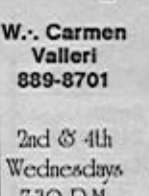

### September meetings

On September 5th there will be a dinner at 6:30 p.m., before Lodge meeting.

Fellowcraft Club will meet on September 12th.

Our Official Visit will be September 19th.

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By W.: Carmen Valleri

### Time flies

It amazes me how short a time it has been since I sat in my first Lodge chair. I remember thinking that someday I would be Master of my Lodge. It was a calm and beautiful thought looking forward to it. I was surprised to find myself in a cold sweat on my way to my Installation. I thought, "These crazy guys are making me Master of my Lodge."

### New Officers

The Installation was great and the remaining Officers are:

Sr. Warden - Kevin Fisher  
Jr. Warden - Don Tubman  
Sr. Deacon - Gary Trescott  
Jr. Deacon - John Noah  
S.M.C. - Michael Stevens  
J.M.C. - Phillip Holmes  
Our outgoing Master, W.: Terrance O. Wright, thanked the Craft and handed out Master's Appreciation Awards to Brothers Glenn Scheerens, Burton Brown, Michael Stevens and Don Tubman for devotion above and beyond.

### A nice touch

A great tribute was recently paid to Bro. Gene Souter, who passed on to his Final Reward. A plaque honoring his memory has been hung on the A Concourse level at the Greater Rochester International Airport. I haven't seen it yet, as I just learned of it. Bro. E.J., who informed me of it, says it's "a real peach".

### September business

On September 27th we will be having a 2nd Degree for our five new Brothers, who were made E.A.'s last June 28th. Bro. Kevin Fischer will be conferring the Degree. Please come out to give him support and make the new Brothers feel welcome.

### Personal note

Thank you to Brother Louis Valleri and Sophia. The plaque and gavel are beautiful.

### Lastly

On a final note from me, and I am sure I speak for the rest of the Lodge as well. Thanks to W.: Terry Wright for an extra special year. If mine is half as good, I'll be a happy camper.

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By W. Michael J. Bell  
**Brethren**

Summer is nearly past. Soon it will be the time for crisp and juicy apples, and the crackle of dried leaves beneath your feet. We must abandon the languor of warm, dreamy days and resume our labors.

**Future dates**

On September 12th we will have a Regular Business Meeting.

There will be a Poor Man's Dinner and a 1st Degree on September 26th.

**Next month**

I particularly call your attention to the October 10th meeting. The scheduled speaker will be Thomas Biddle, a New York State Parole Commissioner. I believe he will be discussing the philosophy and mechanics whereby felons are returned to the community. I am sure that his talk will be most interesting. I would venture to say that many of you will have comments, questions, or suggestions. The meeting will be preceded by a sumptuous repast.

I look forward to greeting all of you again.


**Union Star Lodge No. 320**

W. James B. Hart, Master  
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 W 475-9050

2nd Monday  
 7:30 P.M.

R. W. Kenneth Buckland, Sec.  
 624-1308

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By W. James B. Hart

With the Summer over, now is a good time to hit the books and remind ourselves of the work we have ahead of us as we head into the 1995/1996 season. I started getting ready for our 1st Degree in the middle of August, and plan to confer it September 25th. I can't wait to get to our first 3rd Degree.

**Join us**

The pages of my "Twenty-Four Inch Gauge" are getting tattered from constant use. We will be concentrating heavily on increasing our membership, and already two Brother Bring-a-Friend Nights are scheduled. Hopefully, we will be able to have more. With some of the great ideas in the "Gauge", I am sure they will be successful. Another prime target will be getting some of our inactive Brothers back to Lodge. We have made a lot of changes in our Lodge, which I'm sure they will like.

**Thank you**

I'm not planning on getting long winded in my articles to the *Masonic Times*, but merely want to convey Lodge information and say "thank you". This is for all Brothers, both in and out of our Lodge, for their work and help in making 1995/96 a great year, not only for Lodge itself, but for all Masonry.

**Good food**

Rumor has it that our Past Masters are cooking dinner for our first meeting on September 11th. If W. Joseph Cotteleer has anything to do with it, I know we are in for a real treat. He has never failed to create something worth waiting for.

Next month I will have more news from Union Star Lodge, in beautiful downtown Honeoye Falls. Remember, all of our Brothers are welcome in our Lodge at any time. We meet on the 2nd Tuesday of every month. See ya.


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By W. Kenneth J. Skidmore  
**Brothers**

It is my great pleasure to greet you at the start of another season. Sue and I have struggled through a Summer of her being in a body cast since June 15th, but we are now looking forward to a pain free future. She has faithfully followed the doctor's rules, and all things seem to be going well. I certainly hope you have had an excellent Summer, are refreshed, and doing well.

**Award**

Before I go any further, I must publicly apologize to Skip Waterstreet for not reporting that he received the Youth Service Award at the Grand Master's session in New York City. To make matters worse, I was the person to receive the Award from the Grand Master for Skip. The grey matter really failed me for not making this great achievement known. This is truly an honor in recognition for all those years Skip spent helping young people in various phases of hockey.

**September meeting**

Our next meeting will be September 18th. It will be an opportunity for the officers to refresh their memories and, hopefully, we will be discussing the merger plans with Craftsman Lodge. The Merger Committee has met twice and will have specific proposals to present and decisions to make, at the Lodge meeting that night.

Again, welcome to a new start. Come out, help out, and let's make this a short lived, but great year!

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**Grand Master's Response**

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plied, directly or indirectly, had ever been made with the Brother concerned or with the Incarnation Children's Center...

On the evening of July 11th, after receiving the first and only notification from the Trustees about this proposal via fax transmittal, I made the difficult decision to reaffirm the existing policy and recommend to the Trustees not to allow the use of Camp Turk by any outside group. In addition, I addressed the very real concerns of the Trustees as stated in their fax transmission of the same date relative to the probable negative impact of future applicants to our camp.

Early this Fall, I contemplate initiating a Statewide Communicable Disease Educational Program and I will consult with the Jurisprudence Committee (Board of Past Grand Masters) to whom Grand Lodge policy matters are referred, with the possibility of bringing this issue concerning our camp and outside organizations before the entire body of Grand Lodge.

For over two hundred years the Masonic Fraternity has been about inclusion-not exclusion. The Craft has been about helping our neighbors and communities and especially those who are the most vulnerable...our children. Together, we will continue to fulfill our historic tradition of benevolence by helping people and providing service to the community.

My Brothers, I trust that each of you will share my pride in our Fraternity and that you will join me in giving your utmost in moving this Fraternity forward into the twenty-first century."

The original was signed by the Grand Master.

**PIA**

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**Summer Blood Drives**

By Easton Kelsey  
 Here is the first update of the Masonic Summer Blood Drives. In August, Webster Lodge No. 538 started off on the first, as did Northfield No. 426. Following along on the 2nd was Etolian Lodge No. 479. Fairport Lodge No. 476 was August 17th, and Churchville Lodge No. 667 was the 22nd.

**September schedule**

Union Star Lodge No. 320 will be at work on September 27th, followed by Clio No. 779 on October 20th.

**Good work!**

Monroe Lodge No. 173 had their drive in February, collecting 29 units from 36 donors.

**One grand Drive!**

This year we have 8 Lodges participating, down from 9 last year. We have not been able to get the Red Cross, and some of our Lodges, to go along with one week in August. The need is great throughout the year, and having Masonic Drives on a community basis is great. Just think of the community awareness that could be created with one grand Drive!

Next month I will give you the blood count to date.

**HAVE YOU OBTAINED A NEW MEMBER?**



**Table Lodge**

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and Past DDGM and Derek VanHouten, Illustrious Potentate of Damascus Temple A.A.O.N.M.S.

**Guest speaker**

The guest speaker for the evening was M. E. Bruce Renner, Grand High Priest of Royal Arch Masons in the State of New York. M. E. Renner was accompanied by two of his Grand Line-R. E. Curtiss Montgomery and R. E. Arnold Palmer. The Concordant Bodies were certainly well represented.

The festivities were concluded with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne".

**More help needed**

It should be pointed out that a handful of Brothers who could not attend the dinner sent \$20 donations. A big thank you to these Brethren who helped us get closer to our goal of \$2400. We still need help. If you would like to make a donation, please send a check payable to the Masonic Service Bureau with "Eagle Scouts" written on the memo line. A letter will be sent to all Lodges and Concordant Bodies asking for group donations. Together we can meet this goal. After all, isn't helping young people one of our duties as Freemasons?

A final thank you to all who attended. You exemplify one of the most important virtues taught in the 1st Degree, Charity.

**Branigan**

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**Masonically speaking**

R. W. Branigan was raised in 1953 in Pioneer Lodge No. 70, Hackensack, NJ.

He became Master of Social Lodge No. 714 in Kendall, NY, in 1976. He currently is a member of Monroe Lodge No. 173 in Brockport, NY, where he served as Secretary for many years. It was there, too, that he received the Grand Lodge Dedicated Service Award.

In 1978 he was Patron of Orleans Chapter No. 318, O.E.S. Jim became a member of the Valley of Rochester, AASR in 1968 and the Valley of Coudersport, PA in 1983.

He is a Past Illustrious Master of Nun-Da-Wa-Ga Council No. 92, Cryptic Masons, LeRoy, NY., a Past High Priest of Orleans Chapter No. 175, RAM, Albion, NY, and a Past Commander of Batavia Commandery No. 34 (1991).

Jim is a member of the Royal Order of Scotland, Universal Craftsman Council of Engineers, Rochester No. 4, Western Star Chapter, RAM, where he has been organist, Genesee York Rite College No 25, where he served as organist, was Knighted in Empire No. 46, KYCH in April, 1994, and is Past Venerable Master of Niagara Council, AMD.

In 1986 his York Rite activities brought him recognition through an appointment as

Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Ireland, near the Grand Chapter of New York, a title he still actively carries.

Jim is also a member of Quatuor Coronati Correspondence Circle of QC Lodge No. 2076 of London, England.

He is a member of the Grand Master's Lodge in Dublin, Ireland, and an honorary member of the Royal Arch Chapter of Research in Dublin.

He has been a member and organist of Germania Chapter No. 72, OES, for many years.

Jim is the organist for Francis Hitchcock-Shay Chapter of the Constellation of Jr. Stars, Fidelity Triangle No. 4, and an Associate Grand Organist for the Grand Commandery, State of New York, where he is also Recorder/Treasurer of the Preceptory of Grand Commandery.

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The Grand Lodge Library will present a seminar on "Masonic Records: Their Care and Management" at the Scottish Rite Temple on Colvin Street in Buffalo, NY, Sept. 30th. Dr. Kathleen Kutolowski, who teaches at the SUNY Brockport and who has written extensively on Freemasonry in New York State, will speak on the role Masonic records play in history. The main speaker will be Ms. Nola Skousen, who has served as archivist for the Supreme Council, NMJ, of the Scottish Rite and as librarian at the Museum of Our National Heritage.

**Agenda**

- 9:00 - Welcome, coffee & donuts
  - 9:30 - Tour of the Cathedral
  - 10:00 - Mr. Melvin Levy, Buffalo Scottish Rite Library, its history and collections.
  - 11:00 - Ms. Nola Skousen, Intro. to Masonic Archival Mgmt.
  - 12:30 - Lunch
  - 1:15 - Dr. Kathleen Kutolowski, Masonic Records
- Reservation forms available from your Lodge Secretary.

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# Scottish Rite NEWS

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



What a wonderful Summer we have had with great weather. I hope that it has been enjoyable for all of you. As I write this message, Fall is just around the corner and it is time to renew our fellowship with our Masonic friends.

### Outing

By the time you read this message, our Annual Stag Outing at the Party House will have taken place. I thank Sovereign Prince, Charles O. Hancock, and his Committee for their efforts in arranging and chairing this annual event. We were pleased to have so many visiting Brothers and Officers from other Valleys in attendance.

We were honored with the following special guests: M.: W.: and Ill.: Bruce W. Widger, 33° Active and Deputy for the State of New York and Past Grand Master; Ill.: Harold L. Aldrich, 33° Active; Ill.: Dwight T. Worthy, 33° Active; Ill.: J. Philip Berquist, 33° Active and Deputy for Massachusetts; and Keith Gramling, 32°.

### 50 Year Brothers

Three of our Brothers received 50 Year Membership Certificates: Alvin R. Cranston, William C. Kicherer and Perry T. Sweet. We were pleased that they were able to be with us.

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### New Charity

Many of our guests were with us to discuss plans for the creation of the Scottish Rite Masonic Children's Learning Centers, Inc., a new charity to serve the needs of children with learning disabilities. In June, 1995, at the New York Council of Deliberation, a Resolution was passed that a Learning Center, known as "The Frank and Bette Paul Scottish Rite Learning Center", would be established in the Valley of Rochester. This will be the first of several such Centers to be located throughout New York State. Although this first Center will be located in the Valley of Rochester, it will be the project of all the Valleys in New York State. We should be pleased that Rochester was selected and I am sure you will all support this great charity. A special thanks to these Brothers for coming to Rochester to discuss this project.

### MSA Award

At the Council of Deliberation Meeting this past June, Bro. Stephen R. Whittaker, 32° MS was to receive the Meritorious Service Award. Unfortunately, Steve was in the hospital at that time, but received his plaque and pin at the Outing. Steve is very deserving of this prestigious honor. Be sure to congratulate him when you see him.

It was announced at that same Meeting that two other very deserving Brothers were elected to receive the Meritorious Service Award next year. They are: Brothers Charles R. Frear and Glenn A. Hedges. Our hearty congratulations to you.

### New Ambassadors

Your Membership Development Team (under the guidance of Co-chairmen Stephen R. Whittaker, 32° MS and Charles C. Spiegel, Jr., 32° MS) has been very busy this Summer. One of their new endeavors is the upgrading of our Ambassadors

Team. This Team is going to become a very prominent and prestigious group that will play a large part in developing new members and ways to improve our own programs.

### Keep up with the news

Be sure to consult your Consistory Calendar and read the *Masonic Times* pertaining to our up-and-coming programs and events.

### Events and meetings

We will start our Fall season with an All Bodies Meeting on September 7th. Other events include our Symbolic Lodge Awards Night on October 5th, our Fall Reunion scheduled for November 16-18 and a program night on December 7th.

In addition to our regular programs, I remind you of 2 events occurring in October. The first is our Annual Ladies Night Dinner-Dance at the Burgundy Basin Inn and the Bring-a-Brother Night on October 20th at Logan's Party House.

### Come on out

These are just a few of the activities this year and we hope that you will share them with us. We expect to have a full and exciting year, but we need your support. Enjoying good fellowship and having fun is part of our overall goal. Please join us and help make it happen. I would be happy to receive any input from you as to how we can improve our meetings, programs, etc. Don't forget it is your Scottish Rite, so let's work together to continue the fine traditions of our Craft. □

## MSA Recipients

The Valley of Rochester congratulates the following two Brothers who have been elected to receive the MSA Award from the NY Council of Deliberation next year in Schenectady. Both of these Brothers are tireless and willing workers. Both are very deserving of this honor.



### Charles R. Frear

Bro. Charles R. Frear was raised in Charlotte Lodge No. 1088 in 1963 and became a member of the Valley of Rochester, A.A.S.R. that same year. He has taken an active part in the Degrees of the Rite and has served as a Trustee since 1986. His advice on financial matters has greatly benefitted the Valley of Rochester.

Brother Frear was Potentate of Damascus Temple Shrine in 1981 and 1990. He was Commander of the Legion of Honor in 1972; Imperial Representative for the Shrine for 13 years; served on the Board of Governors of

Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children, Eric Unit for 6 years; Circus Chairman for 15 years; Treasurer of Damascus Temple for 4 years, and has served Damascus Temple as Recorder for the last 5 years.

Charles Frear retired as an owner of Frear Chevrolet, but is active on the Board of Directors at Park Ridge Hospital, a member of the Advisory Board of the Salvation Army, and served on the Greece Town Zoning Board for 6 years. He and his wife, Muriel, are members of Greece Baptist Church.



### Glenn A. Hedges

Bro. Glenn A. Hedges was raised in Fairport Lodge No. 476 in 1969. He later affiliated with Northfield Lodge No. 426 where he served as Master in 1976. Currently he is a Quadrant Captain of the Inter-Lodge and Family Activities.

Brother Hedges became a member of the Valley of Rochester in 1987. Glenn served on the Stage Crew and is now the Engineer and Seneschal.

His other activities include the Color Guard Unit of Damascus Temple (President), Personal Aide to the Potentate and is in charge of the Shrine Kitchen Club. He has assisted in collecting funds for the Ronald MacDonald, "Have-a-Heart" Campaign. In the Order of DeMolay, he is Chairman of the Advisory Board, Genesee Chapter and was invested with the International Order of DeMolay Cross of Honor in 1980. He was one of 20 Advisors in 1978 to receive the Credit Advisors Certificate.

Glenn has worked for the Brighton Highway Department for 35 years. He served in the US Army Medical Corps and 6 years in the US Army Reserves Hospital Unit. He and his wife, Carol, attend a church in Pittsford. □

### Vernon L. Goodrich Thrice Potent Master

Bro. Vernon Goodrich was raised in Craftsman Lodge No. 969 in 1955, where he has served as Master 4 times. He became a member of the Valley of Rochester, A.A.S.R. in 1961. He is the Presiding Officer of Rochester Lodge of Perfection and has served on the Long Range Planning Committee. Vern joined Damascus Temple Shrine in 1961.

A member of Hiram Chapter No. 62, RAM, he served as High Priest in 1993, chaired the merger of Ionic Chapter and Hamilton Chapter (forming Hiram Chapter), is currently the District Deputy Grand High Priest, and the Assistant Grand Treasurer.

He is a member of Doric Council No. 19, Cyrene-Monroe Commandery No. 12, and is Worthy Chief of the UCC of E.



In the District he has been District Deputy Grand Master, on the General Committee, Chairman of the Interlodge Fellowship Committee, Vice President of the Past District Deputy Association, and Vice President of the Purple Club.

In the Masonic Service Bureau Vern has served as Chairman of the Long Range Planning Committee, on the Medical Equipment Committee, the Finance Committee, Director, and is currently the Executive Director.

He has been an advisor and financial reporter for the Temple Civic Center, Building Manager and worked on negotiations for the sale and lease back of the Temple.

### Community

Vern is a member of Brighton Reformed Church, where he has served as Deacon, Treasurer, Chairman of the Endowment Committee and is an Investment Advisor for the Reformed Churches of America.

### Education and business

Bro. Vern received his BS and MBA Degrees from RIT, graduating with highest honors. He was engaged in the practice of Public Accounting and was a partner in the firm, Stadler, Shively, Mengel and Barr. He taught Accounting and Finance for eight years at the State University of NY at Brockport. He has served as Treasurer, and later as Vice President and co-owner of Rochester Industrial Trucks, Inc., a fork-lift company with several offices in New York State. He was Vice President and co-owner of Nepco Dist., Inc., a truck spring company with branches in Buffalo, Brooklyn and Puerto Rico, and until 1987, a Senior Vice President of Finance of Clark Witbeck Co., Inc., a wholesale distributor. He then became Chairman of the Board and CEO of a public national computer service company.

He has been director of many organizations, both public and private, and also not for profit organizations such as Cystic Fibrosis, RTOS, and the National Association of American Cut Glass, where he is currently the President of the Great Lakes Chapter. He is a member of NYSCPA, and the AICPA, and the Honor Society, Phi Kappa Phi. Vern has been in "Who's Who in the East?", and "Who's Who in Business and Finance?".

Vern has served on the Advisory Council of Hospice and is an active Hospice volunteer.

### Personal

Vern and his wife, Barbara, have two sons, a daughter, and five grandchildren. □



### Charles O. Hancock Sovereign Prince

Bro. Charles O. Hancock is from a Masonic family. His father, Charles, Sr., was a Senior DeMolay, and a Past High Priest of his Royal Arch Chapter in Worcester, MA. His mother was Worthy Matron of Hawthorne Chapter O.E.S. in Concord MA three times. His sister was active in Rainbow and his younger brother followed Charlie as Master Councilor of Worcester Chapter, Order of DeMolay.



Charlie was an Eagle Scout while also a DeMolay. A Past Master Councilor, Representative DeMolay and Chevalier before serving as Massachusetts State Chaplain. Brother Hancock was a leader in establishing the Order of Knighthood for college DeMolays at Harvard, MIT and Boston University.

Raised in Christopher G. Fox Lodge No. 1021, Amherst, NY, in

1967, Charlie subsequently moved to Perinton. He is active in the Valley of Rochester where he participates in many Degrees.

He is a member of Damascus Temple Shrine where he has been in the Divan, now serves as Chairman of the Endowments, Wills and Gifts Committee, and is a member of of the Legion of Honor. Brother Hancock holds memberships in the Royal Order of Jesters and the Royal Order of Scotland.

He is a former Moderator and Chairman of the Board of Deacons of Raymond Memorial Baptist Church in Fairport. Charlie and Bruni have been married 36 years and have 2 sons, a daughter and 2 grandchildren.

Brother Hancock is an active conservationist, currently serving as Chairman of the Monroe County Fish and Wildlife Management Board; is a Director-at-Large to the New York State Conservation Council where he also represents Monroe County. He serves on the Regional DEC/OPRHP Committee for "Open Space" planning for NY State; is a member of the NYS Canal Recreationway Commission.

Charlie served in the US Army Security Agency and the Air National Guard and holds a BSEE from the University of Denver and MBA from RIT. Professionally, he is Senior Manager for Regulatory Compliance with the MDT Biologic Co. representing his company, the medical device industry and US with a number of standards organizations, nationally and internationally.

### Donald A. Rose Most Wise Master

Bro. Donald A. Rose was raised in Seneca Lodge No. 797 in 1989 where he currently serves as Junior Warden. He joined the Valley of Rochester in 1989, went into the Chapter of Rose Croix Line and became active in the Degrees. He now directs the 17th and 18th Degrees.



In Damascus Temple Shrine he is 2nd Ceremonial Master, a member of the Ceremonial Cast and Damascus Legion of Honor. He is a Charter Member of the Masonic War Vets.

Brother Rose was born in Rochester, N.Y., attended Greece Olympia HS, and obtained his BS from RIT in 1968.

Heserved in the US Army Special Forces from 1968-71, retiring with the rank of Captain. He was a consultant to NASA in 1971-72.

Don is a self-employed accountant and a broker of small personal aircraft for NE, USA.

### Abbott Scholarship Winners

The New York State Council of Deliberation announced the awarding of Abbott Scottish Rite Masonic Scholarships to: Susan C. Bink, Amy E. Wilbert, John R. Christman and Joshua I. White.

Abbott Scholarships are given to qualified students in recognition of scholastic and all-around performance. The purpose of this Award is to help young people fulfill their career goals by assisting them financially in furthering their education beyond high school.

Susan C. Bink, daughter of Bro. Vern Goodrich, is a Senior at Monroe Community College, with a major in Nursing.

Amy E. Wilbert in her Junior year at the Albany College of Pharmacology, is the granddaughter of Bro. Robert E. Cameron.

John R. Christman, a Senior at the State University of New York, College of Brockport, is majoring in Sociology. He is the grandson of Bro. Thomas M. Paglia, 32° MS.

Joshua I. White, a Senior at Lock Haven University, majoring in Sports Medicine is the grandson of Ill. Robert P. Zabel, 33°.

The Valley of Rochester is extremely pleased to be able to assist these four recipients in furthering their education.

Freemasonry has been historically dedicated to emphasizing the importance of education in our society, and the Abbott Scholarship is another indication

of this continuing Masonic commitment. The Supreme Council, 33°, N.M.J. is pleased to be able to provide these educational opportunities for young people.

Abbott Scottish Rite Scholarships are given to the children of Scottish Rite Masonic families or to young people who have been active in Masonic related youth organizations such as DeMolay, Rainbow and Job's Daughters. The grants are made throughout the 15 state Jurisdiction. Total Scholarship Awards given in the Northern Scottish Rite Jurisdiction remain at a level of \$350,000 for the 1995-96 academic period. A year ago, 367 college level students across the Jurisdiction were helped with Abbott grants.

Support for the growing scholarship program comes from the Supreme Council Education and Charity Fund established through the generous legacy of former Sovereign Grand Commander, Leon M. Abbott. In recent years, the fund has been strengthened by sharing in the annual contributions to the "Blue Envelope Appeal" by the Fraternity's 359,000 members. In addition to the Abbott Scholarships, the Scottish Rite Masons of the Northern Jurisdiction also support the nation's oldest and most prestigious private-sector Schizophrenia Research Program; the award-winning Scottish Rite Masonic Museum of Our National Heritage in historic Lexington, MA; and the recently established Scottish Rite Masonic Children's Learning Centers.



## Lalla Rookh

# GROTTO News

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Joseph Minas, Monarch

### Monarch's Message

As I sit here gazing out the window, watching the birds taking a bath in the bird bath, the doe and fawn romping in the fields, the squirrels scurrying up the tree after some more nuts, I have one thought in mind-what a beautiful Summer we all had. The weather was almost perfect. I hope everyone enjoyed themselves.

#### Grand Rapids Convention

Earl DeSmith, Gordon Dodge, my wife, Barb, and I went to the Grand Rapids, Michigan International Convention. We all had a wonderful time. Earl's van had a crack in the crankshaft, and we had to rent a car to get back to Rochester. Earl and I went back the following week to pick it up.

#### Thanks

I am sorry we had to cancel the Canandaigua Lady Cruise, but there were not enough Prophets willing to go. I do thank the many Prophets and friends who participated in the Golf Tournament and the Finger Lakes Race Track events.

#### Future dates

The Board of Governors Meeting will be held at the Temple on September 5th at 8:00 p.m. We will have a Spaghetti Dinner at 6:30 p.m. For reservations call Jan Lughart at 352-4698, Richard Topel at 663-2542, or Ron Morthorst at 334-4196.

The E.S.G.A. Fall Convention will be held in Buffalo on September 14th-16th.

The Monarch's Ball will be October 21st at the Country House in East Rochester. The cost is \$18.00 per person. There will be a Buffet Dinner and dance

music by the Ray Melville Trio. The dress code is black tie and tux for the gentlemen, and semi-formal for the ladies. Call Jan Lughart, Earl DeSmith at 473-4126, or Joe Minas at 671-1917 for reservations.

### Cast News

By George H. Knierim, Director  
There will be a rehearsal and stage set up on October 16th at 7:00 p.m.

The Short Form Ceremonial will be at 7:00 p.m. on October 18th. We need your help once again.

Please make the one rehearsal and attend the regular Grotto meeting on Wednesday, October 18th.

Thanks for your help.

### Dates to Remember

- Thurs. Sept. 7th - Caldron Patrol Meeting
- Mon. Sept. 11th - Legion of Honor - Denny's 6:30 p.m. and Dinner at 7:30 p.m.
- Tues. Sept. 12th & 19th - Patrol at Culver Road Armory 7:30 p.m.
- Thurs. Sept. 14th - Caldron - Doric Hall 8:00 p.m.
- Sept. 14-16 - Empire State Grotto Assoc. Fall Convention - Buffalo
- Sept. 19-23 - Caldron Supreme Sessions in Warren, Ohio
- Thur. Sept. 28th - Exe. Council

Attend the Grotto Meeting  
Enjoy the fellowship

### Lalla Rookh Grotto Golf Tournament

By George Knierim, Chairman  
We had a rainy beginning on August 5th, but the weather did clear up. Everyone was up at start off time.

1st Prize-George Wyatt  
2nd Prize-Nelson Wolford  
3rd Prize-Jack Kleisley  
Five winners split the 4th prize, with Don Fraina closest to the pin.

Thanks to George Wyatt, Nelson Wolford, and George Bradshaw for posting all the scores, etc. Thanks, also, to Jan Lughart, Earl DeSmith and Linda Knierim for their help.

### Legion of Honor

By Dick Topel  
Now that the Summer is winding down, it's time to think about going back to work.

We have the Fall E.S.G.A. Convention coming up on September 14-16th in Buffalo, NY. If you intend to go, see Gordy Dodge for more information.

#### Thanks

The Legion Picnic was July 19th. On behalf of all the Legion members, I thank Don and Winnie McDill for being such gracious hosts. Everyone that attended had a good time at their cottage on Conesus Lake.

#### September meeting

The next meeting of the Legion will be on September 11th 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.

### Patrol News

By Gordon Dodge, P.M.

Where has the Summer gone? With all the parties and picnics, the time has just flown.

#### Glad to see you

The Caldron joined the Patrol at a picnic on August 12th in the Henrietta Town Park. All enjoyed a day of fun, games and fellowship.

It was nice to see the lovely widows of our departed Patrol members enjoying themselves once again with the Patrol. Glad you could join us, girls.

#### Armory meetings

The "Faithful Few" are still meeting at 7:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at the Culver Road Armory. Why not make an effort and "come up and see us sometime", as Mae West used to say. Security is tight at the Armory, but someone will be at the door to let you in between 7:30 and 7:45 p.m.

#### Reminder

Don't forget the Empire State Grotto Association Convention in Buffalo on Sept. 14-16. For information, call 671-1917. See you at Drill.

### Membership

By Ron Morthorst

Hope all the Prophets had a good Summer and enjoyed the great weather we had.

Prophet George Knierim is getting ready for our Fall Ceremonial on October 18th. Your petitions should be in the Grotto Office by October 3rd.

Need a petition? Call Ron Morthorst at 334-4196.

### Caldron News

By Arlene Topel, MCO

Welcome back from the Summer break. Now it is time to get back to Caldron activities.

#### Congratulations!

A surprise 85th Birthday Party was held at Rund's for Janet VanOrdier.

#### September dates

We are looking forward to the Caldron's 76th Supreme Sessions to be held in Warren, Ohio, on September 19-23, 1995.

The Patrol meeting will be held on September 7th at the Masonic Temple.

The first Caldron meeting will be held on September 14th in Doric Hall at 7:30 p.m.

The Executive Council meeting will be held at Helen Francis' home on September 28th.

#### Condolences

Lalla Rookh Caldron was saddened by the death of P.M.C.O. Connie Smith.

If you know of anyone who is ill, please call 663-2547.

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**Grand**  
**High Priest**

Royal Arch Masons  
27th Capitular District



Rt. Exc. Vernon L. Goodrich  
377-0367

At the District Picnic at Bill Kuehne's Resort, we had members attending from No. Carolina, Pennsylvania, and Florida. A good time was had by all, despite the SNOW and SUBZERO temperatures in August-well, almost!

**Congratulations**

It was very gratifying to award Scholarships at Hiram's picnic in June to Susan Bink, and Craig Josephson. I hope we hear from both of them as their education continues.

**Good response**

Regarding the four year plan to double the Grand Chapter's Scholarship Endowment by our Bi-Centennial in 1998, I have received many pledges. Have you sent in your pledge and the first year's payment? If not, why not do it now?

**Fall Degrees**

On Wednesday, October 11th, Webster Chapter will present the MM and PM Degrees.

On Monday, October 23rd, the MEM Degree will be at Hiram Chapter.

The HRA Degree will be on Thursday, October 26th at Hiram Chapter.

**Re-Dedications**

There are several Dedications and Re-Dedications being planned by Grand Chapter in September and October. Present and Past Grand Chapter Officers and Grand Reps are asked to assist as they are all in the Western part of the State.

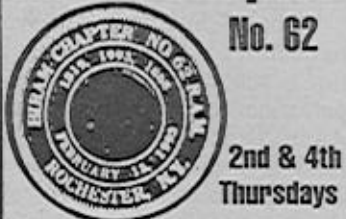
Sunday, September 24th in Wellsville

Sunday, October 15th in Salamanca

Sunday, October 29th in Jamestown

If you can assist, please let R.E. Arnie Palmer know.

**Hiram Chapter**



**No. 62**  
2nd & 4th  
Thursdays  
Thomas M. Paglia, EHP  
227-2046  
Richard J. Oliver, Secretary  
594-2380  
**Masonic Temple**  
**875 Main Street East**  
**Rochester, N.Y. 14605**

By E. Thomas M. Paglia

**The end of Summer**

Summer is coming to a close and Fall, with all of its magnificent God given colors, will be upon us. Time to start thinking of saving time for Hiram Chapter. Your attendance at the meetings is very important. Attendance has increased, but not to the point where I can say we have a full house. My goal for Hiram Chapter is to have 50 or more Companions at each meeting before the year ends.

\$7.00 and the time is 6:30 p.m. Come out and join in the fellowship. There is always friendly give and take at the Euchre games

I know there are a lot of kibitzers who would like to join in. We have a large number of professional Euchre players and I am sure you can pick up a lot of good information on how to improve your Euchre game. Refreshments will be furnished by David Jones.

**Auction**

On September 28th R.E. Vernon Goodrich will be our auctioneer. Ladies and friends are invited. Come out and see R.E. Vern in action. Bring a wrapped package to be auctioned off, it does not matter what, as long as it is in good condition and usable. There will be laughter all night long and the prices are guaranteed to be affordable.

**Membership**

The Mark Master and Past Master Degrees will be conferred at Webster Chapter on October 11th. They will start at 7:30 p.m. We need candidates! Our goal for Hiram Chapter is 20 new members this year. Remember, you and you alone can make this



John Christman and Susan Bink (front center), the Grand Chapter Scholarship recipients for the 27th Capitular District with (back) R.E. Arnold Palmer-GCH, R.E. Ronald Bertie-Asst. Grand Secretary and R.E. Vernon Goodrich-DDGHP for the 27th Capitular District.



E. Thomas Paglia, High Priest of Hiram Chapter and R.E. Vern Goodrich, DDGHP flanking the two Hiram Scholarship Award recipients Craig Josephson and Susan Bink at the Hiram Summer Picnic.

**Euchre Tournament**

At our first meeting on September 14th, V.E. William Zufall will host a Euchre Tournament. It will be preceded by a Ham or Fish Dinner prepared by Bill's wife, Audrey. The cost is



Susan Bink, seen here with the High Priest of Hiram Chapter Tom Paglia, is the recipient of both the Hiram Chapter and Grand Chapter Scholarship Awards. She's the mother of three children and the daughter of the DDGHP Vernon Goodrich.

happen. I know that you must know someone who would like to belong to the Royal Arch Masons and Hiram Chapter. You have received a petition in your newsletter. How about it? Will you help us?

**Canadian visit**

Our Canadian Brothers will be here in full force in November. It is our turn to show them hospitality. They are a great and wonderful group and you will enjoy their company. Paul Josephson and David Jones are the Chairmen for this event.

**Degrees**

Oct. 23 - Most Excellent Master at Hiram.

Oct. 26 - Holy Royal Arch at Hiram.

As you can see, October will be a very busy month, but November will make up for it by there being only one meeting.

I am looking forward to these busy times. Won't you attend and complete the Arch?

**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 E. Karl Reich, High Priest

**Resuming our labors**

Welcome back, Companions. We've had our Summer vacation/recess, and I trust that each of you had a good time, and more importantly, a safe and healthy Summer season.

**Summer events report**

Under the original organizational talents of R.E. Ruel R. Lovett and his lady, Patti, I want to report that our picnic, which was a combined effort of Three Times Three Chapter No. 333 and LeRoy Chapter No. 183, was an overall success. My personal 'thank you' to all who made it happen.

Yours truly had the opportunity to provide some musical entertainment through the use of my "Wersi" keyboard and a "Hohner" button accordion. We also had two "hummers", R.E.

Companions H. Keil Trumbore and James Powell, who provided the accompaniment on all the "Pennsylvania Polkas". Both of these Companions are/were Grand Representatives to the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania, demonstrating their talents by showing their connections to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Excellent Companion William O. Baldwin made a request, not once but twice, for a special rendition of the song, "Lillie Marlene". He also provided a bit of his own humming to a favorite of his and also did a little reminiscing of the forties. As stated at the outset, this event was a tremendous success, and I am confident that those in attendance left with some very lasting memories.

**Scholarship Fund Drive**

My personal congratulations to those Companions who have made their respective contributions to the Scholarship Fund Drive, which I put into place through a special appeal this past Spring. Those who have not made their contribution to date can do so by mailing it to the Secretary, R.E. Bob Dagen, at your earliest convenience.

**Dues**

The Secretary has informed me that several of the Companions have not remitted their dues for '95. Check the membership card you presently have, and if it does not expire this coming December, you qualify as one of those who fall into this category. Please attend to this matter ASAP. If you have any questions or problems, just contact the Secretary at 548-7148 or me at 426-6836.

**Future programs**

At the Convocation to be held on September 6th, E. Companion Bill Baldwin will present a program of interest relating to the ritual. The Convocation of September 20th will have E. Companion F. Jay McCullough presenting a program which he guarantees will be of special interest to all the Companions. We have had the opportunity to witness several of E. Companion Jay's presentations in the past, and I am sure this program will follow suit.

On October 4th V.E. William Zufall will visit the Chapter and present a program titled "Freemasonry and Religious Persecution". Don't miss this one. It is my sincere hope and desire that many of the Companions will come out to our Convocations and support our endeavors.

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E. Jay McCullough, E. Karl Reich-High Priest and R.E. Ruel Lovett wearing their new 3X3 Council Officers' Aprons.

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**Sickness and distress**

It is with pleasure that I can report that Companion Bob Forbes of LeRoy Chapter No. 183 continues to improve after his surgery.

R..E.. Donald Clattenburg of Western Star Chapter No. 35 is now a resident of the Batavia VA Medical Center. Our concerns and prayers are with Companion Don. We wish the very best to each of these Companions as they convalesce. If you know of any other Companion we should mention, please bring the same to my attention.

See you at our next Convocation. God Bless you all. □

**Cyrene-Monroe  
Commandery**

**No. 12**

Chartered  
in 1993  
1st & 3rd  
Fridays



**SK Laszlo Tuczai  
Commander**

**SK Lawrence W. Dunn  
Recorder 594-8033**

By SK Laszlo Tuczai

September 16th will be a great event. SK Ronald J. Bertie, Past Commander of Cyrene-Monroe Commandery No. 12 and Red Jacket Commandery No. 81, will be installed as Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of the State of New York.

This Installation will be held at the Holiday Inn, Syracuse, NY, Thruway Exit 37, where the building will be visible. You may attend just the Open Installation if you wish. Check the Registration Desk in the lobby for the Hospitality Room.

**You're invited!**

On Saturday, October 14th, there will be a reception held to honor SK Ronald Bertie and his lady, Elaine. Red Jacket Commandery No. 81 will join us for this event at the Thruway Marriott at 5257 West Henrietta Road (Rte. 15 South, Exit 45). The cash bar is at 6:00 p.m.

If for some reason you are unable to attend, mail your congratulations and good wishes to Ronald J. Bertie, c/o Masonic Service Bureau, 875 Main Street East, Rochester, NY 14605-2789. I will present them to Ron and Elaine when I extend the Commandery compliments.

**September meeting**

Our September 8th meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. There will be a Full Form Opening with refreshments after the closing.

**Congratulations**

Best wishes to the following Officers:

**SK Charles M. Roberts**

**Doric Council**

**No. 19**

**Cryptic Masons**

(Chartered in 1861)

Douglas Poole, Ill. Master

584-3601

L. Edward Walker, Recorder

647-2382



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By L. Doug Poole

Companions, welcome back after a very short and busy Summer. Now is the time to roll up our sleeves and get back to work. We have a full schedule ahead of us.

Speaking of shirt sleeves, you can roll them up for our September 20th meeting. It will be our Fall Sport Shirt Night. Tuxes, suits and sport coats are banned. A prize will be given by the Illustrious Master for the loudest shirt (my choice). However, we will have serious planning to do this evening, so I would appreciate a large turn out.

**New Officers**

The new officers for 1995-96 are:

- Illustrious Master  
**Douglas Poole**
- Deputy Illustrious Master  
**L. Lawrence Dunn**
- Principal Conductor of the Work  
**Laszlo Tuczai**
- Conductor of the Council  
**Paul Josephson**
- Secretary  
**L. Edward Walker**
- Treasurer  
**Robert C. Pettit**
- Captain of the Guard -  
**R..I.. Charles Roberts**
- Chaplain  
**R..I.. Stanley V. Peterson**
- Steward  
**William Lindsay**
- Sentinel Pro Tem  
**Bruce Gibbs**

**School of Instruction**

Please note that at our October meeting we will be hosting the Grand School of Instruction



**1995-96 Officers of Doric Council and Installing Team: (back) M..I.. Raymond Beardsley-Installing Master, L. Robert Zahn-Installing Marshal, R..I.. Charles Roberts-Captain of the Guard, Laszlo Tuczai-Principal Conductor of the Work. (front) Bruce Gibbs-Sentinel Pro Tem, L. Lawrence Dunn-Deputy Ill. Master, Douglas Poole-Ill. Master, Paul Josephson-Conductor of the Council and Ill. Stanley Peterson-Installing Chaplain.**

for the 8th Capitular Northern District. This School will be conducted by R..E.. Ruben Long, Grand Lecturer of Cryptic Masons in the State of New York. Details about the dinner will be in next month's Times.

**New candidates**

Be on the lookout for candidates for our Fall Class. We have one already, but the more the merrier! □

**Grand  
Commandery  
Knights Templar**

**State of New York**

Ronald J. Bertie

**DEPUTY GRAND COMMANDER**

**ZONE ADVISOR**

225-6348

Lawrence W. Dunn

**ZONE OFFICER 594-8033**

If all goes well, and there is no reason that it shouldn't, our own SK Ronald J. Bertie will be installed as Grand Commander, Knights Templar, State of New York at their Grand Conclave to be held in Syracuse, NY on September 15-17. The Syracuse Sheraton, at Thruway exit 37, will be the headquarters Hotel.

Other local Grand Line Officers are SK Stanley V. Peterson, Grand Sentinel and SK Lawrence Dunn, Grand Inspector General.

There will be a special reception for the new Commander on October 14, 1995 at the Marriott Thruway Hotel, on West Henrietta Road. The reception will include:

- Social hour, w/Bagpipe 6:00 p.m.
- Dinner, 7:00 p.m.
- Dancing, Joe Cady 8:00 p.m.
- Hospitality Room 9:00 p.m.

Your choice of entree will be: Roast Prime Rib, or Orange Roughy.

**Resume**

Ronald Bertie resides in Rochester, NY and is a former employee of the Eastman Kodak Company retiring in December of 1991, after 30 years service. He was an Innovation and New Product Specialist in the New Oppor-



**SK Ronald J. Bertie, Grand New York.**

tunity Development Group responsibilities in Kodak Ireland, Kodak Canada and Eastman Chemical Company. Ron is a graduate of the Rochester Institute of Technology and Tri-State College, where he earned degrees in Chemical Engineering and Business Administration.

He has been involved in local and state government and was a consultant to the New York State Department of Education. He was a member of the School Analysis Team and a member of the State and Federal Revenue Sharing Committees. Ron is a member of the Industrial Engineers Society.

SK Bertie is married to Elaine. They have two daughters. The Berties have been responsible parents through the Hill Children's Center and have worked with Child Protection Services.

SK Bertie has been a president, officer and District Deputy of the Independent Order of

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**Past High Priests  
Assoc. of Western  
New York**


By Ruel R. Lovett, President

**Greetings, Companions**


This is my first attempt at communicating with you for PHPA. The next meeting, will be held in the Buffalo area.



**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 leisure activities of the Summer months are drawing to a close and it is time to resume the normal activities in our Chapters (whatever normal is!). A brief recap of our Summer events will set the tone for resuming the Fall schedule.

#### Walk-A-Thon

Our Walk-A-Thon was a tremendous success. The day was nearly perfect weather-wise, and thirty-three Sisters and Brothers came out to participate and/or work. A total of \$1100.00 was raised and contributed to the Grand Matron's and Grand Patron's Youth Projects. Special recognition to Sis. Madeline Deissinger, Associate Matron of Fairport Chapter, who walked the full ten miles and appeared ready to go ten more!

#### Oriskany Pilgrimage

Another great time was had by everyone who attended Pilgrimage Weekend. The Elegant Performance of "Goldilocks and the Three Bears" will be remembered for a long time by all who were in attendance at the Friday Night Dinner. The theatrical talents of some of our Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons is beyond description. The weather on Saturday was again great, although maybe a little hot. All who were present seemed to be having a good time. We certainly did!

Of course, one of the highlights of the weekend was the announcement of next year's Grand Officers from Monroe District. In the event you have not yet heard the news, Worthy Sis. Carol Wynings will be the District Deputy Grand Matron, Worthy Bro. Raymond DiJames will be the District Grand Lecturer, and Worthy Sis. Doreen Rhodes will be Grand Adah. We look forward to working with these Sisters and Brother in the coming months as they prepare to assume the duties of leadership in our District. They certainly have our support and we know they will have yours, also.

#### District Banquet and Reception

The date for the District Banquet and Reception for the new Grand Officers will be Friday, November 10th. This will be held at the Diplomat Banquet Center and additional information will be sent to all the Chapters in the near future.

#### Coming attractions

Yes, we remember the days when movie previews were called coming attractions. Our District has some coming attractions as well. The first meeting of the Line Officers Clubs will be Saturday, September 16th at 9:00 a.m. at the Temple Civic Center. We

hope to have a good turn-out, as there is quite a bit to discuss and preparations to be made for Grand Chapter Sessions.

On Saturday, September 23rd, there will be a District Fun Night. This will be held at the East Rochester Masonic Temple (Lea Court Chapter) and is sponsored by the Peaches Group. Everyone is asked to bring a pizza from their favorite pizza parlor, their own soft drinks and their favorite game. More information will be sent to the Chapters. We hope you will come out and join the fun.

The Line Officers Clubs will meet again on Saturday, October 7th and then Grand Chapter Sessions will begin on Tuesday, October 10th. The Testimonial Dinner will be held on Monday, October 9th and information is available from your Matron and Secretary. We have about fifty Sisters and Brothers from the Monroe District who will be in attendance at Lake Placid and who are looking forward to having a great time.

One final note in closing. Each Chapter Secretary was asked to submit the names of their sick and shut-in members to either Worthy Barbara Spano or Right Worthy Alta Doty. So far only six Chapters have responded. We would appreciate it if those who have not yet submitted this information would please do so. Thanks for your help.

## District O.E.S. Sisters and Brothers Enjoy Canandaigua Cruise

By Rt. Wthy. Wilda Robinson  
Oatka Chapter of Scottsville and District Officers enjoyed a "Summer Funday Surprise Trip" on July 16th. They met at the Lodge Hall and then traveled Southeast to Canandaigua Lake, where all enjoyed a very relaxing cruise with Captain John Nickels on the Canandaigua Lady. They stopped on the way home to dine, as a group, at Tom Wahl's, which has the best Root Beer and great Hamburgers in the area.



(left to right) Edith Lewis, Captain John Nickels, Leonard Ianello, Dianne Maltese, Hildy DiJames, Jane DuPree, Ray DiJames, Vickie Gross, Kim & Santo Morici, Dean Hiler and Ken Robinson.

For any Chapter looking for something different to do, this is highly recommended. It truly was a fun day and I thank all who joined us.

Oatka Chapter would also like to congratulate our new Grand Officers who will be installed at the Sessions in October. We are looking forward to a great year full of surprises. May their year be all that they hope for, and more. Happy trails, and safe journeys.

## 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

It will soon be time for Chapter meetings. We hope all had a nice Summer and are ready to go.

#### Good news

It was so nice to have a visit with Wthy. Madeline and Bro. Marvin Beattie, who were here from Florida for the Summer. I also enjoyed a visit with Sis. Ora Combs, who was 92 in July. These visits brought back many good memories. The Chapter had a letter from Sis. Doris Ray in Florida. Wthy. Jessie Johnson was 91 in August. These members made it known they all enjoy receiving the *Masonic Times*.

#### Our sympathy

We extend our prayers to Sis. Helen Linney on the death of her husband, William.

#### Sickness

Our best wishes to Wthy. Anita Drake, who had surgery and is out and doing well. Get well wishes to Sis. Pat Alexander's husband, George, who had lung surgery.

#### Congratulations

On June 15th we were very proud when the new Black Creek Bridge was dedicated and named after three former Mayors of Churchville. They are Wthy. Florence and Bro. Burton Sage, Bro. Dwight Vail and members of our Star and Lodge.

#### See you there

Our first Fall meeting will be September 19th. The Committee will consist of Sis.'s Barbara Heeg, Dee Maxfield, Pat Alexander and Connie Wall.

#### Thinking of you

It would be nice to hear from Sis.'s Ethel Hall, Helen Linney, Dorothy Lahman, Connie Wall, and Rt. Wthy. Ellis Erickson.

Make new friends, but keep the old,

One is silver, the other is gold.

## 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

Don't forget the Spaghetti Dinners the first Friday of every month, commencing in October. It is very enjoyable and fun working with Webster Lodge every month. 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.

#### September events

Our first meeting will not be until Tuesday, September 19th. We will be having a Tureen Dinner at 6:30 p.m., and anyone who would like to join us is welcome. Bring a dish to pass and your own table setting. It is always interesting to see the variety of foods that everyone brings. We will then have our meeting, where we will be honoring the Past Matrons and Past Patrons. Hope everyone had a safe and restful Summer.

#### Additional information

Our first meeting on Tuesday, October 3rd, will be Associate Matron/Associate Patron Night. It will be the first time our Associate Matron, Linda Batting, will be presiding in the East.

I am looking forward to going to Lake Placid for Grand Chapter Sessions in October.

## 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 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.

It has certainly been a busy Summer. I hope everyone has enjoyed it. It has been very hot and humid, but filled with lots of fun and fellowship.

#### Reservations needed

The Pilgrimage to Oriskany was great, and a good time was had by all. I will have a report at our September 9th meeting. Speaking of which, there will not be an Initiation that night. We

will still start at 7:30 p.m. and have a Tureen Dinner and a guest speaker. If you are planning on coming for supper, will you please let Rt. Wthy. Audrey know? She may be reached at 271-0795. Supper at 6:00 p.m., followed by the speaker. Please bring a dish to pass and your own table setting.

#### Happy time

Our Chapter Picnic was a lot of fun. It was so nice to see the children and grandchildren of our members there. We collected a lot of pennies for our Penny Jug that day. I will let you know the amount at our September meeting. The best event at the Picnic was to have Wthy. Betty, Sis. Gail, and Bro. Frank Jansson with us.

#### Lake breeze

Those of us that could meet at Charlotte Beach for supper on August 2nd. It was lovely, the weather was cool, there was a nice Lake breeze and music. What more could you ask for?

#### Sickness

Bro. Chuck had a little accident this Summer, and damaged his foot and ankle. He is doing much better now.

Wthy. Claudia had surgery on her knee and is recuperating at home.

The next few months will be very busy, so I ask you all to bear with me. We will do all that we must and still have some enjoyable times. Until we meet again, Peace and Love.

## Hi-Lights Order of the Eastern Star GENESEE-WYOMING DISTRICT

Rt. Wthy. Judy Walters

591-2581

#### Pardon, please

Your District Editor submitted an article for a Summer edition that didn't exist! Hope that everyone interested in participating in Summer get-togethers had the information needed!

#### July events

The District Picnic and Train Ride in Arcade in July was very enjoyable for all attending. The weather was lovely, as was the fellowship. The District thanks Rt. Wthy. Clinton Strong for the arrangements.

Pilgrimage Day at Oriskany also provided our District with the opportunity to see the beautiful campus of our Home, Pounder Hall and the Day Care Center. Our maple syrup was a huge success. Many members attended and it was grand to see Mt. Wthy. Mary T. Strong well enough to be there.

On July 29th the District Matrons and Patrons had a picnic at Rt. Wthy. Dolores and Wthy. Bro. Don Hargrave's home in S. Byron. It was the best Summer day you could ever hope for!

#### August 6th

Go to Church Sunday at the W. Middlebury Baptist Church was well attended by the District Masons and about 25 members of the Eastern Star. A breakfast preceded the Service of Worship.

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**Fall District events**

On September 16th the Rocking Robins Study Club will share a lunch and meeting at Hesperus Chapter in Bergen at 12:30 p.m.

On Thursday, September 21st at 8:00 p.m., there will be the 1995 District Officers Reception at Stebbins Chapter in Pike.

On Thursday, October 26th at 8:00 p.m., there will be the 1996 District Grand Officers Reception at Stebbins Chapter in Pike.

Save the date so you can honor these new Officers.

**Chapter news of interest**

Hesperus Chapter No. 823 in Bergen will hold a Chicken 'N Biscuit Dinner at the Gillan Grant Community Center starting at 4:30 p.m. Adults are \$5.50; Seniors \$5.00 and \$3.00 for children 6 to 12. Children 5 and under are free. Please call the Secretary or Wthy. Matron for reservations.

Perry Chapter No. 497, Perry, will have a Welcome Back Fall Picnic on September 5th at 6:30 p.m. prior to the 8:00 p.m. meeting. Bring a dish to pass and table service. Meat, rolls, beverage and desserts will be furnished.

Perry Chapter will have an Open Meeting at 8:00 p.m. on September 19th. Refreshments and entertainment will follow. Everyone is welcome-bring a friend!

Thorpe Chapter No. 462 in Attica will have its annual Tureen Dinner on September 5th, followed by a meeting. The Chapter will have an Initiation Ceremony on September 19th at 8:00 p.m.

**Grand Comm., Bertie**

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Fellows. He was Tannest in Clan MacNaughton, Order of Scottish Clans.

SK Bertie served as a member of the United States Special Forces. He and Elaine are members of Bethany Presbyterian Church.

**Masonic career**

SK Bertie was raised in 1975 in Rochester Lodge No. 660 and served as Master in 1984. In 1986 he was the President of the Monroe Bureau of Masonic Education and on the Masonic Youth Committee. He is a member of Grand Lodge Committees and a dual member of Northfield No. 426 and Wakan/Hubbard Lodge No. 154.

**York Rite**

He served as High Priest of Ionic Chapter No. 210 RAM-1984, Grand Sentinel, Grand Chapter, RAM State of New York-1987, received the Grand Chapter Distinguished Service Award in 1988 and has been Assistant Grand Secretary, Grand Chapter, RAM, 1993-1995. In 1990 he served as Illustrious Master of Doric Council No. 19 and in 1994 became a member of the Grand Council, York Rite Unity Committee.

He was Commander of Cyrene Commandery No. 39 in 1987 and was named Outstanding York Rite Mason that year. He served as Commander of Red Jacket Commandery No. 81 in 1990-1992 and was elected Grand Warder starting in the Grand Commandery line in 1987.

**Scottish Rite**

In the Scottish Rite he served as Thrice Potent Master Roches-

ter Lodge of Perfection, 1982, and Sovereign Prince, Council Princes of Jerusalem in 1986.

**Shrine**

SK Bertie is a member of Damascus Temple No. 2, A.A.O.N.M.S. and Egypt Temple No. 25 in Tampa, Florida. He was President of the Shrine Lunch Club in 1984 and is a member of the Imperial Shrine Membership Committee in 1994.

## DeMolay International Elects National Officers

DeMolay International held its 75th Annual Session of the International Supreme Council and 28th DeMolay Congress Session in Bismarck, North Dakota on June 14-18, 1995.

The Order of DeMolay, with its positive fraternal atmosphere, builds young men into better citizens and leaders, while providing them the opportunities to participate in community service, develop management skills and travel. They may participate in sports activities.

Joe A. Williams, of Oklahoma, was installed as Grand Master of the Order of DeMolay. Williams joined DeMolay Guymon Chapter in Guymon, Oklahoma. He served as Master Councilor in 1954, received the first Representative DeMolay Award for his Chapter, earned the Blue Honor Key, and served as State Master Councilor of Oklahoma in 1955.

Joe was elected an Honorary Member of the International Supreme Council in 1977 and became an Active Member in 1980. He was Executive Officer of Oklahoma from 1981-1993 and has also served as Region Representative, Chairman of the Executive Officers' Conference, and chaired several International Supreme Council committees. Williams has been honored with the Degree of Chevalier, Legion of Honor, and Cross of Honor of the Order of DeMolay.

Joe is currently a member of the Guymon Masonic Lodge A.F.&A.M., Tulsa Scottish Rite, Tulsa York Rite Bodies, AKDAR Shrine, Sand Springs Order of the Eastern Star, and Red Cross of Constantine.

He is a graduate of Panhandle State University and the University of Oklahoma. He is President of the Board of Trustees of the Sand Springs Home and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Bank of Oklahoma in Sand Springs. Joe takes an active interest in community affairs and has held various positions with the Sand Springs Museum Trust Authority, Sand Springs Education Foundation, Rotary Club, Sand Springs Lions Club, Board of Directors Herbal Affair and Festival, Chamber of Commerce, United Way, Salvation Army Advisory Board, and the Oklahoma Bar Association.

**Other Officers**

E. John Elmore was installed as Grand Senior Councilor. John, Executive Officer of North Carolina, has been an International Supreme Council member since 1986, and a member of the Executive Committee.

Donald E. Jenks of Oregon was installed as Grand Junior Councilor. Jenks currently serves as Executive Officer of the Jurisdiction of Oregon. He has previ-

ously served as Region Representative, Chairman of the Executive Officers' Conference, and chaired several committees.

Joe R. Manning, Jr., of Oklahoma, will continue to serve as Grand Secretary. He is a Past Grand Master of the Order of DeMolay and a Past Grand Master of Masons in Oklahoma.

Dan G. Loescher of Rockford, Illinois, will continue to serve as Grand Treasurer. He has been a member of the International Supreme Council for over ten years.

**International DeMolay  
Congress:**

Bengamin W. Johnson II of Kentucky was installed as International Master Councilor. He joined Owen R. Meadors Chapter in Ashland, Kentucky, in February, 1990, and has served as Master Councilor, State Congress Secretary, Deputy State Master Councilor, and State Master Councilor. In addition to receiving the Founder's Membership Award, Ben has been invested with the Degree of Chevalier.

Derek C. Thamarus, a member of C.C. Reeves Chapter in Michigan, was installed as International Congress Secretary. He currently serves as State Master Councilor of Michigan and has been honored with the Founder's Membership Award and the Degree of Chevalier.

**In Memoriam****May, 1995****Dobbs, Elwood D.**

Elwood was a 56 year member and a Past Master of Etolian Lodge No. 479. He passed away on May 27th in Morehead, NC. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth, children, and 9 grandchildren.

**Castle, Clarence E.**

Death claimed Clarence on May 31st. He, too, was a member of Etolian Lodge No. 479 for over 70 years. Clarence is survived by his wife, Mildred, children, 9 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

**June****Withee, Harry A.**

Harry entered his Heavenly Rest on June 2nd. He was a member of Valley/Simes Lodge No. 109 and Rochester Consistory. Survivors include his wife, Frances, children, 9 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

**Powell, Edward C.**

At the age of 91, Edward died on June 3rd. He was a 57 year member of East Rochester's Ancient Craft Lodge No. 943, Rochester Consistory and Damascus Temple. He is survived by his wife, Helen, and many other relatives.

**Crumpp, Warren C.**

Fairport Lodge No. 476 lost a member when death claimed Warren on June 6th. He is survived by his wife, Marie, children, 14 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

**Kassman, Otto E.**

A member of Germania Lodge No. 722, Otto passed away on June 9th. He is survived by his daughter-in-law, 2 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

**Williams, Edward R.**

A long time member of Monroe Lodge No. 173, Edward was 90 when he died on June 12th. He is survived by his daughter and grandchildren.

**Hartung, Stella J.**

Stella was 106 years old when she died on June 14th. She was a member of Webster Chapter No. 171, OES, and is survived by her children, 7 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

**Heaton, Derrick**

A member of Wakan/Hubbard Lodge No. 154, Derrick died on June 18th. He is survived by his children and other family members.

**Keberle, Raymond A.**

Raymond was Master of Genesee Falls Lodge (now Towpath No. 163), in 1945. He passed away on June 19th, and is survived by his wife, Ceil, children, and 1 grandson.

**Baird, Thomas**

Thomas joined the Great Architect Above on June 26th at the age of 91. He was a Past Master of Rochester Lodge No. 660 (now Northfield Lodge No. 426), and is survived by his son, grandchildren and other family members.

**July****Blossom, Bristol R., Jr.**

Bristol was a member of Towpath Lodge No. 163 when he died on July 11th. He is survived by his wife, Eugenia, children, 6 grandchildren and 5 great-granddaughters.

**Hausler, Henry J.**

A resident of Margaretville, NY, Henry died on July 19th at the age of 90. He was a member of Germania Lodge No. 722, and Rochester Consistory. Henry is survived by his wife of 65 years, Marie, 2 children and 2 grandchildren.

**McConnell, Lawrence H.**

A Past Master of Valley-Simes Lodge No. 109, Lawrence passed away on July 21st. He is survived by his wife, Doris, his son and daughter-in-law.

**Dimino, Charles S., Jr.**

Charles belonged to Wakan/Hubbard Lodge No. 154, and died on July 23rd. He leaves his brother, Joseph (Ramona), children, 7 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

**Hyatt, Claude C.**

The beloved step-father of Larry (Eleanor) Canfield, Claude passed away on July 23rd. He was a member of Towpath Lodge No. 163 and Rochester Consistory. Other survivors include 8 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

**Cairns, Paul M.**

Paul was 88 years old when he died on July 24th in Clearwater, Fl. A member of Fairport Lodge No. 476, he is survived by many family members and friends.

**Echevarria, Alberto (Pete)**

Pete was only 66 years old when he passed away suddenly on July 24th at his home in West Palm Beach, Fl. He was a member of Rochester Consistory, Doric Council and Cyrene/Monroe Commandery. Pete is survived by his wife, Peggy, 4 children and 3 grandchildren.

**Currie, David S.**

Fame Lodge No. 945 lost a member when David died on July 25th. He is survived by his wife, Joyce, 6 children and 7 grandchildren.

**Erb, Arthur G.**

Death claimed Arthur on July 25th. He was a member of Northfield Lodge No. 426 and Rochester Consistory. Arthur is survived by his children and 6 grandchildren.

**Joiner, Clifford B.**

A member of Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge No. 1088, Clifford went to his Eternal Rest on July 27th. He is survived by his wife, Kathleen, one son and one grandson.

**August****Steiner, Rudolph J. "Rudy"**

Rudy joined the Great Architect Above suddenly on August 2nd. He was a member of Wakan/Hubbard Lodge No. 154. Rudy is survived by his wife, Margaret, children and 17 grandchildren.

**Hartwig, William H., Jr.**

A member of Fame Lodge No. 945, Damascus Temple Shrine, and a Past Monarch of Lalla Rookh Grotto, William died on August 7th. He is survived by his wife, Priscilla, 5 children and 12 grandchildren.

**Hedges, Rufus H.**

Rufus was 91 years old when he died on August 8th at his retirement home in Boca Raton, Fl. He was a member of Towpath Lodge No. 163, Rochester Consistory and Damascus Temple Shrine. He is survived by many family members.

**Chafer, Frank M. "Bud"**

On August 11th, death claimed Frank at the age of 73. He was a member of Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge No. 1088, Rochester Consistory, Damascus Temple Shrine, Legion of Honor and the Masonic War Veterans. Frank is survived by his wife, Jean, 2 daughters and 5 grandchildren.

The following deaths were reported to us with no specific information.

**Clow, Leonard W.**

Leonard was a member of Webster Lodge No. 538, and passed away May 8th.

**Oldman, Edward F.**

Attica Lodge No. 462 reported the passing of Edward to the Grand East on May 14th.

**Miller, William C., Jr.**

A member of Warsaw Lodge No. 549, William died on May 22nd.

**Brown, Earl E.**

Earl was a member of East Rochester's Ancient Craft Lodge No. 943 and lived in Port Charlotte, Fl.

**Holcomb, Gordon L.**

Valley/Simes Lodge No. 109 lost a member when Gordon passed away.

**Scott, Roger H.**

Fairport Lodge No. 476 lost a member when Roger passed away in Clifton Springs, NY.

**Souter, Gene A.**

Gene was a member of Oatka Lodge No. 759.



# Masonic Activities Looking Ahead

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

1995

- Oct. 5 Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Awards
- Oct. 14 Reception for SK Ronald J. Bertie, Deputy Grand Commander, Rochester Marriott Thruway
- Oct. 21 Grand Matron's Reception, Burgundy Basin Inn
- Oct. 25 Grand Lecturer's Convention - Downtown Temple
- Oct. 28 Masters and Wardens-Northfield Lodge
- Nov. 16-18 Scottish Rite Fall Reunion
- Nov. 18 Masters and Wardens-Wakan/Hubbard Lodge
- Nov. 29 M.:W.: Earle J. Hino, Jr.'s Reception, Hearthstone Manor, Buffalo

1996

- Mar. 23 M.:W.: Gary A. Henningsen's Testimonial Dinner Lockport, NY
- Mar. 30 Masonic Grand Ball - Radisson, Jefferson Road
- Apr. 20 3° Fest-Downtown Temple
- Sept. 19-22 Grand Commandery, Rochester, New York Rochester Marriott Thruway

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By Ronald J. Bertie  
The last meeting of the Genesee York Rite College was held in Bergen on August 12th with Lee Collier as acting Governor. E.: Ralph Biggar, who was visiting from his present home in Nazareth, Pennsylvania, was in attendance.

It was announced that Past Governors Ronald Bertie and Vernon Rupert, were nominated to receive the Order of the Purple Cross next August in Chicago.

After the meeting the Companions joined their ladies at the Viking Room in Bergen for dinner.

**Past Master's Supper Club**  
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W.: L. Warren Patterson  
Secretary  
R.: W.: Robert Sanford  
292-6383

By W.: L. Warren Patterson  
The Summer of '95 has sped by at a remarkable pace. Hopefully, yours was enjoyable, as was our pool party/picnic hosted by R.: W.: Robert Sanford and his bride, Eileen. Thanks, too, to W.:

Jim Powell for his efforts connected to the event.

"Tombstone"

On September 22nd we will resume our Dinner Meetings at the Red Men's Party House, 1001 Lexington Avenue. Card players will play Euchre for an hour prior to dinner at 7:00 p.m. W.: Doug Poole will present his "Tombstone" program following dinner.

All Past Masters are encouraged to attend. Bring a Past Master with you.

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## Calendar September 1995

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 	4 Labor Day	5 Charlotte/Corinthian Clio - Hilton Craftsman Germania Oakland - Castile Towpath - E. Rochester Warsaw  OES - Monroe, Nola, Webster, Thorp	6 Attica Olive Branch - LeRoy  Shrine	7 Constellation - Perry Flower City - Fellowcraft Hesperus - Bergen Northfield - Pittsford Webster  Scottish Rite OES - Oatka, Lea Ct.	8 KT - Cyrene/Monroe Commandery	9 Daughters of the Nile  OES - Rochester Chapter
10 Grandparent's Day	11 ERAC - E. Rochester Etollan - Spencerport Fairport Wakan/Hubbard - Penfield Union Star - Honeoye Falls- Dinner  RSM - Nun-Da-Wa-Ga Council OES - Charlotte, Mary Jane Holmes	12 Arcade Batavia Charlotte/Corinthian Craftsman - Fellowcraft Fame Henrietta Hesperus - Bergen Monroe - Brockport - OV Seneca - Webster Towpath - E. Rochester Valley/Simes RAM - Dansville, Wyoming OES - Leah	13 Service Bureau Luncheon Churchville Clio - Hilton Oatka - Scottsville Triluminar - Pike  RAM - Webster  OES - Culver, Henrietta, Corinthian/Fellowship, Batavia	14 Flower City - 1° Eagle Valley - Bliss  RAM - Hiram KT - Batavia  Caldron	15 DeMolay - Rochester Chapter  Grand Commandery Syracuse	16 OES - Grand Officers  Grand Commandery Syracuse
17 Citizenship Day	18 ERAC - BAF Fairport - BAF John A. Robertson West Star - Varysburg  OES - Irondequoit, Germania, LeRoy	19 Charlotte/Corinthian Clio - Hilton Craftsman Oakland - Castile Towpath - E. Rochester Warsaw  RAM - Batavia  OES - Nola, Webster	20 Attica Clio - Spaghetti Dinner Olive Branch - LeRoy Wakan/Hubbard - BAF  RSM - Doric Council  Grotto	21 Constellation - Perry Hesperus - Bergen - OV Northfield - Pittsford Webster  School of Lodge Adm.  OES - Oatka, Lea Ct.	22 KT - Cyrene/Monroe  Past Master's Supper Club	23 First Day of Fall Monroe - Brockport Awards Night Brockport United Methodist Church  Grotto  Masters and Wardens - Germania Lodge Fame Lodge Hall 4275 Culver Rd.
24 	25 Rosh Hashanah ERAC - E. Rochester - Dinner Fairport Union Star Honeoye Falls, 1° Wakan/Hubbard - Penfield  RSM - Nun-Da-Wa-Ga Council OES - Charlotte, Mary Jane Holmes	26 Arcade Batavia Fame - 1° - Dinner Henrietta Monroe - Brockport Seneca - Webster Valley/Simes  OES - Leah	27 Churchville Clio - Hilton Oatka - Scottsville Triluminar - Pike  RAM - Webster  OES - Culver, Henrietta, Corinthian/Fellowship, Batavia	28 Eagle Valley - Bliss Flower City - Wine Tasting  School of Ritual - Webster  Tall Cedars of Lebanon  RAM - Hiram KT - Batavia Commandery	29 KT - Cyrene/Monroe Commandery  GWM&W - Attica  Past Master's Supper Club	30 Masonic Family Day at West Point 