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**R.:W.: David W. Jones, DDGM
2nd Monroe District**



R.:W.: Dave Jones was born on All Saint's Day (Nov. 1st) 1945, an early baby boomer. He spent his youth in Laurelton, Long Island, graduating from public schools and then furthering his education by attending the New York School of Printing in 1963. He received a Degree in Printing Management from R.I.T. in 1967. His employment started at Great Lakes Press in 1963. Great Lakes was taken over by Case Hoyt in the 80's and Dave worked there until 1987 when he was recruited by IMPCO (Integrated Marketing Partners Co.), where he is currently employed as an Estimator and Production Planning Manager.

Masonic

R.:W.: Brother Jones was raised in Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge No. 1088 in November 1981 and served as its Master in 1987. He served as Lodge Brotherhood Fund Chairman in 1985-1987, 1993-94, 1995-96 and has served as 2nd Monroe District Chairman since 1992. At present, he is the Grand Lodge Area Brotherhood Fund Chairman, having been appointed in 1995 and was involved in the Grand Lodge Computer Seminar in 1986. R.:W.: Brother Jones was appointed Assistant Grand Lecturer for the 2nd Monroe District in 1994 and has served in that capacity until the present time.

R.:W.: Brother Jones is a fifth generation Mason with a Scottish Rite grandfather and great-

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**R.:W.: Robert F. Dagen, DDGM of the
Genesee/Wyoming District**



R.:W.: Brother Dagen and his wife Bobbi, both natives of the Lancaster Pennsylvania area, moved into New York State in the early 1970's and into the Rochester area in 1973. They are members of the South Byron United Methodist Church.

R.:W.: Robert Dagen was raised in Batavia Lodge No. 475 in 1976 and served as its Master in 1984 and 1987. He is a member of Western Star Chapter No. 35, RAM; Nun-Da-Wa-Ga Council No. 92, R&SM; Batavia Commandery No. 34; and Batavia Chapter No. 267, OES.

Brother Dagen is retired from the Military and Federal Services and his interests are family, church, golfing, football (Buffalo Bill's Fan), amateur radio and computers.

**R.:W.: Richard C. Anderson
Grand Sword Bearer from the
Genesee/Wyoming District**



R.:W.: Richard Anderson is a long time resident of Pike, New York and has operated the "Pike Red & White" for 32 years. Brother Richard and his wife of 35 years, Kathryn, have three grown children. He says that he is 58 and healthy.

R.:W.: Brother Anderson was raised in Triluminar Lodge No. 543 and served as Master. He was elected to the Office of Secretary and held that position for a number of years.

R.:W.: Brother Anderson is a member of Arcade Chapter No. 322, RAM, where he is currently Captain of the Host. Brother Anderson says if you're in the area for the Wyoming County Fair, 'round about mid-August, stop in, say hello and visit.

**R.:W.: Cyrus Kloner, DDGM
1st Monroe District**



R.:W.: Brother Kloner was born in Buffalo, NY, August 3rd 1935 and has resided in Rochester, NY, since 1957. He has two children, Ellen Sue and Lawrence Jay, and five grandchildren.

Schooling

R.:W.: Brother Kloner attended the University of Buffalo and holds a Degree of Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy (1957) and, prior to entry into Buffalo Law School, practiced Pharmacy for 14 years as a Hospital Pharmacist, retail Pharmacy Manager, Pharmaceutical Plant Manager and owner of an ethical pharmacy. During this phase of his life he was also a member of and served as President of the Pharmacy Society of Rochester, NY.

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**R.:W.: William D. Spillane
Grand Director of Ceremonies
from the 2nd
Monroe District**



R.:W.: William D. Spillane was born and raised in the Rochester area. He graduated from Brighton High School in 1974 and served in the U.S. Army from 1974-1978. He was discharged as an (E6) Staff Sgt. with honors.

Brother Spillane worked at the Eastman Kodak Company until 1983 when he acquired a position with the Town of Brighton Sewer Department. Since that time Brother Bill has been specializing in safety training. R.:W.: Brother Spillane sees to the safety training of all part time and seasonal employees of the Department. He has also served the Union as Secretary and has recently acquired skilled status.

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**R.:W.: Eugene G. Brendel, Grand
Steward from the
1st Monroe District**



R.:W.: Gene Brendel was born on October 9, 1931. He attended Jefferson High School and secured advanced training at the University of Rochester and Rochester Institute of Technology.

Brother Brendel retired from Eastman Kodak Company as a Quality Control Engineer in 1986 after serving the company for over 36 years.

When Gene is not engaged in Masonic activity he sometimes can be found working in real estate or Income Tax preparation.

Masonic

R.:W.: Brother Gene Brendel was raised in Etolian Lodge No. 479 of Spencerport, NY in 1968 and served as Master in 1987. He also has served the Lodge as Brotherhood Fund Chairman, Trustee and as a member and President of the Spencerport Temple Association (1989-96).

In the District he has served as Treasurer of the Masters and Wardens Association, as a representative to the Masonic Home, as a member of the Rochester Service Bureau's Editorial Board, Blood Drive Committeeman and has for several years served the Monroe Bureau of Masonic Education. R.:W.: Brother Gene has successfully served the last two years as District AGL, recently working on a very successful 3rd Degree Festival in April.

R.:W.: Brother Brendel is also a member of 3X3 Chapter, RAM

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**Two Totten Essay
Grants Awarded
Locally**

(We would be missing a chance to blow our own horns if we did not feature this happy occurrence. It has been a long time, if ever, since we have had two Totten Essay winners from the Monroes. Although the subject of the essays was controversial and, something we would not normally carry, we would not be doing justice to the author by withholding it. It is not usually within the province of this publication to argue political positions or critique government policy. This would be in direct violation of our Masonic beliefs. It is therefore with this qualification that we print this hard hitting, no-holds-barred article which took one of this year's awards.)

**Can Our Present
Welfare System Work**

By Heidi K. Blazey

Today's current Welfare System, designed to help the poor, is a dismal failure. The system encourages families to split, provides disincentives to work by paying more money to individuals who do not have a job, rewards unwed mothers with more money if they become pregnant with another child, destroys the fabric of families and creates a counter culture of youth whose value system is today, street gang. We are a compassion-driven society who cannot help but care when we see

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Camp DeMolay

By Vernon L. Goodrich

The Masonic Service Bureau needs volunteers to help at Camp DeMolay. Both short term (much work needs to be done) and long term maintenance type work is needed. If you can help in the following areas, please call the Service Bureau at 473-4351.

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Fence-wooden		X	
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Outside cleaning		X	X
Remove fallen trees and brush	X		X
Grass cutting			X
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You may contribute any material for the above work.

We also need help in marketing the site usage and check-in and check-out users (open facilities, check for cleanliness before and after, and close up facilities).

Please call and register the categories you can help in and whether it is short term (now) or long term availability.

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Editor's Corner

Don Brugger

Red flags

Since this is a new Masonic Year and we are receiving copy from many new authors, I think it is time to run up some red flags.

It is not possible to call each writer personally to discuss his or her article, especially when most of our copy comes in on or slightly after the deadline. Incidentally although deadline means: no copy will be taken after that date, we do bend the rule; very slightly.

If your article does not read exactly as you think you wrote it, check it against your original. My intention as Editor is to help you convey the news in an understandable, coherent manner hopefully in good English with a minimum of jargon and redundancy. We do not expect Pulitzer Prize quality copy nor do we want long stream-of-consciousness accounts of events. Just the news in a form that does not turn the reader off.

Having said that, I would invite you to call me if you have any concerns or complaints about your copy.

Reproof

Most of the problems found in articles submitted are the result of insufficient proofing. Read your copy over before submitting it, then have someone else read it to see if they can make any sense of it. That usually helps more than anything else.

Other jobs

We do take on other jobs from time to time. These include programs for special events, tickets and flyers. However, the *Times* has top priority. If you do want other kinds of work done by the Service Bureau, remember: From the deadline on the 12th until the galley goes to the printer (usually 12-13 days later) I do nothing but the *Times*. I only make this restriction because 85-90 percent of our authors insist on waiting until the deadline to submit their material. Under these conditions we have no choice.

Seminar

I hope to have the opportunity of speaking to the Masters and Wardens Association in the Fall. If this does come about we will both have an opportunity to discuss this subject further. Until then, have a great Summer. □

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Scholarship Awards 1996-1997

By Gail Clarke, Chairwoman

The Masonic Service Bureau has awarded Scholarships of \$1000 each to seven County high school seniors and six Masonic Youth Scholarships of \$500 each for the academic year 1996-1997. This is the 11th year the Service Bureau has awarded scholarships under this program and it brings the total number awarded to 95 County and 26 Masonic Youth Scholarships. The Committee screened individual requests from 22 County high schools, as well as 12 individual requests. After screening the applications and using established criteria for selection, 13 finalists were singled out as outstanding.

The recipients for the 1996-1997 County Awards are as follows: Erin Bennett, Honeoye Falls-Lima, Houghton College; Jaime Erskine, Greece Athena, Daemen College; Shonari Greene, School Without Walls, undecided; Kelly Knapp, Gates/Chili, St. John Fisher; Kevin Rocktaschel, Greece Olympia, SUNY Fredonia, Douglas Schaefer, Brockport, undecided; and Beverly Straub, Penfield, Boston University.

The following students are to be awarded Masonic Youth Scholarships: Danielle Buchholz, West Irondequoit, Boston University; Melissa Dubois, Brockport, Monroe Community College; Julie Herbst, Webster, University of Buffalo; Heather McGuire, Heritage Christian, Cornerstone College; and Jesse Miller, Clyde/Savannah, Cornell University.

Scholarship Awards were based on academic achievements, general character, financial need, and involvement in extracurricular activities with community, school, and their participation in voluntary service.

The recipients will be honored at an evening Award Presentation and Reception on June 19th at the Masonic Temple. This year's applicants were all excellent students, capable of earning a successful degree in their field of endeavor. The 1996-1997

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Miscellaneous	10
Total	697

Scholarship Committee was very proud to have a part in assisting these winners in attaining their educational goals.

The Bureau thanks the Committee of Gail Clarke, Chairwoman, Erna-Jean Walker, Ruth Freeman, Charles Simpson, and Dave Clarke for completing its task in a timely fashion. □

Community Service

By R.: W.: Harold Bollotin

Future events

At present I am looking into 6 Community Service events for possible near future and future participation, under the auspices of the Masonic Service Bureau.

The earliest is the "Walk for the Cure" for the newly formed local office of the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation, to be held on Sunday morning, June 9, 1996. It will begin at Highland Bowl in Highland Park at 11:00 a.m. They are looking for entertainers, such as clowns and magicians, as well as general volunteer service people. The entertainers I can provide. If anyone is interested in participating in other assignments, call me at 342-5865.

The other possibilities are the Al Sigi Center, Friends of Strong Memorial Hospital, Rochester Children's Museum, and Camp Good Days and Special Times. My participation in any or all these possibilities will depend on the length of my cabletow.

A full report on this or any other event in which I may engage will be reported in the September issue of the *Times*. □

Your Legal Rights FYI

By Bro. Phillip Hurwitz, Esq.

Summer protection

It appears that this year in Western New York we will go from Winter to Summer, skipping Spring altogether. With Summer comes increased activity outdoors. Wishing everyone in the Fraternity a great Summer, I pass along a few pointers to keep your family and yourself protected.

Insurance

Chances are you will be entertaining guests. As a host you have an obligation to warn of, and correct any obvious hazards that might reasonably put your guests in harms way. Are there any hazards that could cause someone to trip and fall? Does your pet have a tendency to "nip" at others? Is your pool properly secured when you are not around, and properly supervised when you are around? Are there adult toys, which if placed in the hands of children, invite trouble?

My point is to be aware and protect yourself. Your own experience and common sense should guide you. While space does not permit a discussion of the various ways to order your affairs so as to protect your property from the reach of anyone who successfully sues you (called asset protection), one strategy no one should be without is adequate insurance. Take the time to review your homeowners insurance policy. Understand what is covered and what is not. Given your current financial standing, do you have adequate insurance? If not, consider the purchase of an umbrella policy to supplement your existing policy. Your insurance agent can help you determine your insurance needs.

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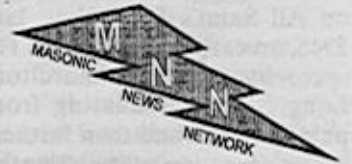
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Drinking

Hot dogs and hamburgs, baseball and volleyball, alcohol and Summer. While each of us have a perception in our own minds as to how well we hold our liquor, perception does not always match reality. Brothers, I have seen hardworking men and women, who have never had any run-ins with the law, branded with a criminal record, all because they had one drink too many. You may feel in full control of yourself and your vehicle. But if a breath test indicates that you are over the legal limit, it makes no difference who you are. The opportunities for plea bargaining are limited. The costs of maintaining your license, your insurance, court penalties, and paying your attorney, could fund "open bar" at a wedding reception. How much then is too much? That basically depends on three things: 1. How much you drink; 2. How much

time passes between each drink you consume; and 3. How much you weigh. According to the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles Driver's Manual, a person weighing 200 lbs. could drink either 3, 4 oz. glasses of wine, or 3, 1 oz. whiskey shots (80 proof), or 3, 12 oz. cans of beer, within a two hour period, and stay within the legal limit. Drink more within that time frame and you are asking for trouble. Also, be aware that you can be charged and convicted with drunk driving, even if no breath test is given. The law allows the testimony of a police officer as sufficient evidence of drunk driving.

Health

Outdoor activity increases the odds of having to go to the hospital to treat an injury. If you belong to an HMO, be aware that before going to the emergency room you may be required to con-

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R.W. D. Jones

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grandfather in Massachusetts and a father who is a past High Priest of Theodore Roosevelt Chapter, RAM in Long Island.

In the York Rite, Brother Jones is a member of Hiram Chapter No. 62, RAM, and is now serving that organization as Scribe. He was recently the Chairman for the Chapter's Brother-Bring-a-Brother Night.

Brother Jones still finds time to be a Soccer Coach for the Irondequoit Youth Soccer League and is an Education Liaison for the Rochester Club and is a Printing House Craftsman. R.W. Brother Jones has a son in the U.S.M.C. on Embassy Duty. He is looking forward to raising him while he is DDGM. His daughter is majoring in Business at S.U.N.Y. Brockport and also a member of the Rochester Ballet. Brother Dave enjoys hunting, shooting, working with computers and has a love for motorcycles. □

R.W. C. Kloner

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Legal

Brother Kloner received his Juris Doctorate in 1974 and was admitted to the New York State Bar and served in Federal District Court, United States Tax Court and New York Supreme Court. He has practiced general law since 1975, was Assistant Monroe County District Attorney, 1975-76 and is a member of the New York State and Monroe County Bar Associations.

Masonic

R.W. Cyrus Kloner is a member of Flower City Lodge No. 910. He was raised May 11, 1976, Master in 1983, Chaplain 1985-1990, Trustee from 1993-1996, and served as President of Masters and Wardens Association. Right Worshipful Brother Kloner is also a dual member of Fame Lodge No. 945.

He has further served the Masonic Community as a member of the Masonic Service Bureau (Director and Representative Attorney) and Attorney for the Temple Civic Center. Brother Kloner is a member of Germania Chapter No. 72, O.E.S.; Masonic Advisory Council; a Daddy in Fidelity Triangle; Lalla Rookh Grotto; Masonic War Veterans, James A. Hard/Wayne Charter Post and the Rochester Police and Fire Square Club.

He has served Grand Lodge as a Trial Commissioner (1993-1994) and Chairman of the Membership Development Committee for the Monroe Districts.

He is a member of the Scottish Rite, Valley of Rochester, Orator of the William Dunsy, 32° MSA, Class of 1977, participates in the Degrees and served as Thrice Potent Master of Rochester Lodge of Perfection.

In the York Rite, he is a member of Hiram Chapter No. 62, RAM, Doric Council, R. & S.M. and has held both local and state offices (Deputy Grand Commander) and Chancellor, Genesee Assemblage No. 1, Order of Judas Maccabeus.

R.W. Brother Kloner is Recorder of Damascus Shrine Temple No. 2, Past Potentate, Representative to the Imperial Sessions, and President of Damosque Board of Directors. He belongs to the Perry, Geneva and Bushnell's Basin Shrine

Clubs, Damascus Patrol, Greeters, Directors Staff, Yacht Club and Past Masters' Degree Team.

He has also been on the Executive Committee (Assistant Chairman), Novelty Chairman, and Ad Chairman for the Shrine Circus as well as a Lecturer for the Shrine Circus Association of North America. He was selected as Noble of the year in 1993, International Association of Legions of Honor, Chief of Staff (1993) Parliamentarian, (1991-1995) Assistant Judge Advocate (1989-1990) and New York Ontario Shrine Association, Parliamentarian.

Community

In public life R.W. Brother Kloner serves as Chairman for the Monroe County Narcotics Guidance Council; member of the Rochester Jaycees; Vice President of the Irondequoit PTA Council; Board of Directors, Temple Beth David; Member of the University of Buffalo Alumni Club, Chairman Special Gifts Division; Community Chest; Vice Commander, David Kaufman Post Jewish War Veterans; Board of Directors, Home Care Association of Rochester and Monroe County. In B'nai B'rith he is President, Irondequoit Lodge and Coordinating Committee, Vice President Upstate Council of New York; and member of the Antidefamation League/Regional Board. He is President Sigma Alpha Mu Chapter at the University of Rochester, Chairman Republican Town Board, United Jewish Federation and President of Vaad Hakolel Cemetery Association. □

Military

Brother Cyrus was a Platoon Sergeant and Finance Administrator at Fort Dix, NJ (1958) received an Honorable Discharge, but was reactivated in 1962 and served in the United States Army as Chief Administrative Supervisor, Fort Monmouth, NJ (1961-1962). □

R.W. W. Spillane

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Masonic

R.W. Spillane was raised in Northfield Lodge No. 426, of Pittsford, NY in December of 1989. He served as Fellowcraft Club Secretary in 1990, Brotherhood Chairman in 1991-'93 and Worshipful Master in 1995.

R.W. Brother Spillane is a recipient of the 1992 Brotherhood Fund Special Achievement Award and has lent his talents as a photographer to many District events. He has also participated in the Grand Lodge Leadership Training Seminars.

R.W. William D. Spillane likes to work with people and feels that he has a good chance, with his interpersonal communication skills, to promote more Community involvement in the District Lodges. □

R.W. E. Brendel

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of Spencerport, and the Scottish Rite, Valley of Rochester, NY.

Community involvement

In Civic life Brother Gene was an Elder of the North Presbyterian Church and Elder of the Ogden Presbyterian Church. He was also involved with the Boy Scouts, Spencerport Junior Baseball and worked on the Spencerport District School Committees and YMCA Fund Drive. □

Totten Essays

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others less fortunate than ourselves. But, most social programs are designed "by those with a good heart but not a clean head". (a quote from former President Ronald Reagan). Instead of making things better for the poor, we have made them worse. By 1971, even TIME magazine had to admit: "the more the U.S. spends on the poor, the greater the need seems to be to spend still more." When an individual works, they are rewarded with a sense of self-esteem and self-worth.

A new program, designed by Governor Thomas Thompson of Wisconsin, called "Workfare", has substantially helped those who are benefiting from it. The concept of Workfare is making welfare recipients take training or work on public projects for their benefits. Workfare requires welfare mothers to work in return for their welfare checks, which means they are more likely to afford it. Meanwhile, Workfare is flexible. If a welfare mother stays home with a sick child, she still gets a check. If she misses work without an excuse, she loses part of her grant.

A famous American stated once, something I deeply believe. "You cannot bring about prosperity by discouraging thrift. You cannot strengthen the weak by weakening the strong. You cannot help the wage earner by pulling down the wage payer. You cannot further the Brotherhood of Man by encouraging class hatred. You cannot help the poor by destroying the rich. You cannot keep out trouble by spending more than you earn. You cannot build character and courage by taking away man's initiative and independence. You cannot help men permanently by doing for them what they could and should do for themselves." These words are not from any political official that we today might recognize, but by none other than Abraham Lincoln. □

The winners from the Monroes are:

- 1st Monroe Tyler Gellash \$ 750
 - 2nd Monroe Heidi K. Blazey \$1500
- Congratulations for a job well done. □

Legal Rights

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tact your primary care physician (or some other designated person with the HMO), for authorization, before admission into emergency. If it turns out that the injury was not "life threatening", and you went to the emergency room for treatment without prior authorization from your HMO, then you may be stuck paying the bill. What is "life threatening" is not always easy to decide, especially when your grandchild is bleeding from the head. If unsure, have someone call the HMO on your behalf (have subscriber number handy) to tell them what happened, and to which hospital you are enroute to. Upon your arrival at the hospital, tell the admissions staff which HMO you are a member of, and that a call on your behalf was made while you were enroute, and to please call the HMO for authorization. The HMO will now have to decide, with you as their customer in the emergency room, whether they will pay the bill or not.

I wish you and yours a safe, happy and healthy Summer. □

Financial Planning Solutions

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

The following column contains information gleaned from an article by Dr. Bart A. DiLiddo.

There is a technique for fishing that does not require a fishing license, called bottom fishing, which is really the art of buying stocks low and selling them high.

Someone, Will Rogers I think, once said, "Buy a stock when it is low, and sell it when it is high. If it does not go up, then do not buy it".

Well, how do we do that?

1. First we must identify stocks that are low in price, which is a relatively easy thing to do. Publications such as the "Wall Street Journal", "Barrons Weekly", and the "Investors Business Daily", publish lists of these stocks in every issue. There are computer programs that do the very same thing and can be queried to select stocks designed for your particular tastes.

2. From this data one has to fish for stocks that are the most likely to go up. This can be done manually, but it is not highly recommended. One criteria that is usually utilized is the price to earnings ratio.

Once the screening is completed, find out why the stocks of interest have been moving down, and remember that there is always a reason. There are many reasons for selecting a stock that has gone down in price.

3. Once your selections have been made, select stocks that are INCREASING in value only. Your charts, or other data, should be able to furnish you with this data.

Do not try for the exact bottom! It is practically impossible. Remember what I said about the bulls, bears and pigs in the market?

One of my heroes, Benjamin Graham, once said that anyone can make 20% a year on the market, so don't be a pig!

In conclusion, this strategy not only reduces your downside risks, but it provides the opportunity for great profits. It makes one believe that there are good bargains around and indeed, bottom fishing is the art of buying low and selling high. □

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Square?

You have the compasses, but do you have

As well, that circle, due

That moral circle, scribed within

Excluding envy, hatred, sin,

Including all that's true

And in due bounds, do you then

strive

To keep your passions

circumscribed?

You have the trowel, but do you have

That mortar, old and pure

Made from recipe of God

As given in His Holy Word

Indissoluble and sure?

And do you spread 'twixt man and

man

That precious mixture as you can?

You wear the mystic letter "G",

Ah, Brother, have a care!

He whose all-seeing eye surveys

The human heart with open gaze

He knows what thoughts are

there!

Let no profane, irreverent word

Rise to insult the offended Lord.

My Brothers, if we will display

These emblems of our art

Then let the lessons that they

teach

Be deeply graven, each by each

Upon an honest heart.

Then can we show, to God and

man

Freemasonry's all-perfect plan!

Anonymous

(Courtesy Dave Upham, Clio

Lodge)

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R.W. THOMAS M. PAGLIA
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The following was taken from a song which appeared in a short movie that the VA has about a veteran's stay at a Medical Center. If you are interested in seeing the movie (15 min. long) please call me at 227-2046. Be sure to read the whole poem to grasp the meaning.

Look at me

What do you see, people?
What do you see?
What are you thinking
When you're looking at me?

A crabby old man
And not very wise,
Uncertain of habit
With far-away eyes.

Who dribbles his food
And makes no reply
When you say in a loud voice
I do wish you'd try.

Who seems not to notice
The things that you do
And forever is losing
A stocking or shoe.

Who resisting or not
Lets you do as you will
With bathing and feeding
A long day to fill.

Is that what you're thinking?
Is that what you see?
Then open your eyes,
You're not looking at me.

I'll tell you who I am
As I sit here so still,
As I use at your bidding
As I eat at your will.

I'm a small child of 10
With a father and mother,
Brothers and sisters
Who love one another.

A young boy of 16
With wings on his feet
Dreaming that soon now
A lover he'll meet.

A husband at 20
My heart gives a leap
Remembering the vows
That I promised to keep.

At 25 now
I have young of my own
Who need me to build
A secure, happy home.

A man now 30
My young, they grow fast,
Bound to each other
With ties that should last.

At 40 my young sons
Have grown and are gone
But my woman's beside me
To see I don't mourn.

Fifty. Once more,
Babies play 'round my knee.
Again we know children
My loved one and me.

Dog days are upon me,
My woman is dead.
I look at the future,
I shudder with dread.

For my young are all rearing
Young of their own,
And I think of the years
And the love that I've known.

I'm an old man now,
Nature is cruel,
Tis her jest
To make old age look like a fool.

A body that crumbles
Grace and vigor depart,
Now there's a stone
Where I once had a heart.

But inside this old carcass
A young man still dwells,
Now and again,
My battered heart swells.

I remember the joys,
I remember the pain,
And I'm loving and living
Life over again.

I think of the years
All too few, gone too fast,
And accept the stark fact
That nothing can last.

So open your eyes, people,
Open and see
Not a crabby old man
LOOK CLOSER - SEE ME.

The Canandaigua VA Medical Center will be bidding for the National Veterans Golden Games for the year 1999. If they get the bid it will mean a tremendous opportunity for the Masonic Fraternity to be in the forefront of the community.

About \$30,000 will be needed to match what the VA will be donating to underwrite the games. What a great chance to show the world that Masons care for our veterans. If the 6,000 or so Masons in our area would give just \$5.00 each, it could be accomplished easily.

Volunteers needed

About 400 volunteers will be needed to help with the games. These will come from other organizations as well, but I would like to have about 50 volunteers from the Masonic Fraternity. There are a great many activities you can choose from and I am sure there are many Masons with expert backgrounds who can assist. More information will be forthcoming if the bid is accepted. Let's show Rochester that the Masons care and we are a community spirited Fraternity. □



By R.W. Harold Bollotin

On Sunday afternoon, April 14th, the final visit of the current season was made to the Center, under the direction of R.W. Tom (The Old Navy Relic) Paglia. The usual volunteer crew were: R.W. Tom and Cora Paglia, R.W. Harold and Sylvia Bollotin, R.W. Paul and Doris Robertson and June Moon.

Special visitations

As always, we visit and spread cheer to all the veteran patients. However, we paid special and extra time with two of our Brother Masons.

The first was W. Jesse Mattson, Past Master of Penfield Union Lodge. A number of his photographs have been published in past issues. His family were present, as usual, and expressed again their appreciation



Austin Keith receiving Award for 3021 hours from David Kreuger, Head of Recreation Therapy Services, CVMC.



Sylvia and Harold Bollotin receiving Award for 500 hours each from Cathleen Moreland, Chief of Dietary and Nutrition Food Service.



Paul and Doris Robertson with Oscar Kohl, WWI Veteran.

of our attention, and thanked us for our interest in Jesse and the publication of photographs in the Times.

The second, and newest Brother, is Oscar Kohl, 100 year old veteran of WWI, who served in the US Army Air Corps in England, France and Germany. He is a member of Craftsman Lodge No. 969.

We made an extra trip to Ward 7B, which is situated away from our regularly assigned wards in Building 9 to visit Oscar. He is



Tom Paglia receiving a 2032 Volunteer Hour Award from David Kreuger, Chief of Recreational Therapy Services.

alert, conversant, a little hard of hearing, with a cheerful sense of humor, and is able to walk with assistance. He certainly enjoyed and appreciated our visit. He is a friend and former neighbor of Paul and Doris Robertson. Incidentally, Building 7 has been newly renovated and decorated. The surroundings and facilities are wonderful and ideal.

Annual Awards Banquet

This annual gala event was held on April 25th at the Burgundy Basin Inn. Its purpose was to recognize VA volunteers for their length of service to the Medical Center.

The three members of our regular crew who received awards are: R.W. Harold and Sylvia Bollotin, 500 hours each; and R.W. Tom Paglia for 11 years, totaling 2,032 hours.

Although he is not a regular member of our Sunday monthly volunteers, R.W. Austin Keith devotes one day each week and performs many volunteer duties in the Administration Building and on the wards. He was given an Award for 3,021 hours in 13 years of service.

Our congratulations to Brothers Tom and Austin for a remarkable record!

Coming events

I am pleased to report that the James A. Hard Post of the Masonic War Vets is planning a picnic for the patients in the Courtyard Pavilion, sometime during the month of August. R.W. Tom Paglia will assist.

The next regular visit to the Center will be on Sunday afternoon, October 13th.

Full details will be reported in the September issue of the Masonic Times. □

St. John's Day

St. John's Day, Saturday, June 22, 1996, is the opportunity for you, your Lodge, and your District to be involved at the Masonic Home. On this day, the new Grand Lodge Officers will be charged to carry the Message of the Grand Master to the District and its member Lodges. The Brethren, with their families and friends, will be in Utica to support their new District Deputy and Staff Officer. You can be involved in many ways. First, be one of the hundreds of Brethren who come to celebrate this special occasion in your District - the investing of your Deputy and Staff Officer, who will be serving for the next two years.

Second, visit the residents from your Lodge and/or District. The residents look forward to seeing their friends that bring back the fond memories of yesterday.

Third, become one of the crafters or vendors who display their talents for the Fraternity and the people from the community. For the last three years the craft fair has grown, and with your participation, we will ensure that it grows this year. We have also been able to add Masonic groups as either a food or product vendor. This increased participation by the Fraternity enhances our image with the community and makes our St. John's weekend an event that people look forward to attending.

Please contact W. Daniel L. Clark, Public Relations Coordinator, Masonic Home, 2150 Bleecker Street, Utica, NY 13501-1788, 315-798-4923 or 800-322-8826 to confirm your participation as a crafter or vendor during St. John's Weekend. (Courtesy, Masonic News Network) □

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By W.: John Zabel

Bill wrote to George. "Well, we've found a place here and have just finished moving in. I've looked for a Lodge to visit and have found several. Haven't been to any yet since they're still on Summer dark time. I hope you have been working on the Middle Chamber Lecture. Let me know how it goes this Fall. Write soon. Bill."

George had been working on the Lecture, but still had some rough spots. He wanted to talk to someone about it, but couldn't think of anyone. He decided to ask Scott, one of the Past Masters of his Lodge. "Scott, I'm working on the Middle Chamber Lecture and need someone to talk to about it. I was working with Bill, but he moved. Do you know whom I can ask?"

"Yes, why don't you call Gene Beebe. He's the Assistant Grand Lecturer for our District. He should be able to help", replied Scott.

George did call Gene and found him to be a great help. George had little idea of what an Assistant Grand Lecturer was or did, but he found out. He discovered that Gene's job was to help Lodges and Brothers with matters of Ritual. He knew a lot because he continually worked with the Ritual. George knew that he now had a resource to use.

As he continued to work on the Middle Chamber Lecture, George's confidence in his ability increased until he felt that he was ready. Summer was ending and the new Lodge year was starting. George felt confident that he was ready for the Degree work.

What's happening

The Bureau is starting to plan its programs for the year starting this Fall. We are interested in your ideas and help. If you are interested in working as a Bureau member or have an idea for a program you would like to see, contact Marcel Goldenberg, Scott Seltzer or me. We are looking forward to the Fall.

Public Involvement and Awareness

Thomas Paglia, Chairman
1st & 2nd Monroes, 227-2046

OK everyone!

What have you done to make the public aware of the Masonic Fraternity? Have you done Community Services? Have you helped someone lately? Have you donated to a worthy charity? How about our Brotherhood Fund, Scholarship Funds, or underwriting a young boy or girl for Camp Turk? There are many ways you can help.

A helping hand

Speaking about helping someone, today I was at the VA Medical Center setting up the Volunteer Youth Award Picnic and a problem occurred when a door would not lock. They called a locksmith (they have 2,000 locks so they need to have one on the

maintenance crew). He arrived to fix it and was having a hard time trying to hold two doors open while making the repair, so I offered to help. I held one door open while he worked on the other.

While talking he asked me what organization I belonged to and I quickly replied, "The Masons". He said, "What a great organization the Masons are." His response concerned what the Masons do for the veterans. I asked him if he belonged to a Lodge, and he said no, and replied that he has small children and is kept very busy with them. As soon as his children are older he would like to join, but he does not want to be just a card carrying member.

Here is a man who has solidified his feelings for the Masons just because I went over and offered some help. His feelings are now firmly set and only good reports about Masons will be spoken by him. He will be our billboard and spokesman when he talks to others.

Talk and act Masonry

Extend a helping hand; you never know, he may be just the man you would like to have in our Fraternity. As our Grand Master said, "Be nice to everyone." I know I try to be, but I learned a long time ago that there is always 10% you can never please.

God be with you.

The Custodians Corner



R.: W.: Maurice Solomon
716-271-5435

Q. At a recent Masonic meeting, I was somewhat startled to hear the Presiding Officer address those present as "Brother". I wasn't aware there was such a word. Can you enlighten me?

A. An esteemed former colleague of mine on the Custodians of the Work, the late R.: W.: Garland Kere, Past Grand Marshal, used to carry around a supply of visiting cards, which he loved to distribute. On each card it said, quite simply, but succinctly, "Dammit! It's Brethren. There's no such word as Brother".

I too, have heard the word "Brother" used on occasion, and I always have been at a loss to understand why. Any dictionary defines the plural of brother as either brothers or brethren. There is, to my knowledge, no such work in the English language as "brother".

I can do no better than refer you to the New York Grand Lodge's Officers Training Guide, in which there is section, "Grand Marshal's Guide to Protocol". One of the final directives contained therein states: "The salutation of the Master, or anyone addressing a Masonic meeting, is Brethren, not "BrothERN" nor "BROthern". Incidentally, it also states that the use of the word "Sir" in conjunction with any

Masonic title is improper; such as "Most Worshipful Sir", "Right Worshipful Sir", or "Worshipful Sir". Need I say more.

Next time you hear the word "Brother", you might perhaps ask the person using this word the derivation. The reply could be interesting.

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By Roger E. McCaughey

It's Sunday afternoon, May 12th, and we're late getting our copy sent in to the *Masonic Times* since last night was our Annual Ladies/Mother's Day Banquet and we hoped to cover it for this June edition. Well, we had a great party in spite of the fact that just about every other Masonic organization also held dinners the same evening.

We (the Metro Club) met at the Maplewood Inn (downstairs, in the main dining room) along with a large wedding party, who met in the Red Room, while our fine friends and Brothers of Northfield Lodge met upstairs with their ladies. That, combined with a bus tour group, would have given any additional diners "standing room only". In other words, the place was jammed, with a background clamor of a rock concert.

The registered Metro Club members and guests squeezed themselves into our designated cozy area just in time for President Don Lacy to make a couple of brief pre-appetizer announcements over the din, bedlam, and crowd's uproar and also the presentation of a couple of plaques, all in the record time of about thirty-nine seconds, which came out to exactly one second for each of our attendees. Overall, it was a great party, strictly social, with many remaining until the lights were extinguished, at which time we joined the Northfield group at the bar.

Welcome

We are pleased to welcome Sean R. Noonan, a retired Police Sergeant, to our membership. Sean, a member of Clio Lodge No. 779, and his wife, Dawn, reside in Hilton, NY. Our membership continues to grow...

Welcome back!

We recently talked with Jeff Haines, now Reverend H. Jeffrey Haines, who will soon be relocating back to Brighton from Oswego, NY. Reverend Haines retired from the Brighton Police Force in 1987 with the rank of Sergeant, to devote himself full time to the study for the Episcopal Ministry. He was confirmed and Ordained a Priest of the Episcopal Church on January 18, 1989 at St. George's Episcopal Church. We are eagerly awaiting his return to Rochester. He has been a member of the Metro Club since 1979, was elected President in 1982, and Chaplain in 1989, a title he still holds. Hopefully, we will see you at the Steak Roast on

September 7th, Jeff. We've got some 'catching up' to do.

Condolences

It is with deep regret that we announce the passing on April 20, 1996 of Past President (1984) Frank L. Machowski. Brother Machowski was a retired Monroe County Deputy Sheriff and had been very active in Metro Club affairs since joining the organization in the late 1970's. His last assignment with the Sheriff's Department was as an Administrative Lieutenant. Frank will be deeply missed by his many friends, both within and outside law enforcement circles.

Need an application?

We are always looking for a few good men. Are you an active or retired law enforcement officer, firefighter, or active or retired from another approved public safety organization? Of course, you must be a member in good standing of a Masonic Lodge recognized by the Grand Lodge of New York State. If so, then call or write the Metropolitan Rochester Police and Fire Square Club for further information and/or a membership application. Call me at (716) 385-6219, or write to: Metro Rochester Police/Fire Square Club, Box 92237, Rochester, NY 14692-0237. Do it now!!



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By Harry Hopkins

Attention Masonic Campers

1996 NCT Camping Schedule

June 7-9, Angelica Fairgrounds, Angelica, NY. Saturday Pot Luck Brunch, Steak Roast for Saturday supper, Sunday Pancake Breakfast and church service.

July 12-14, Rolling Acres Campground, Pike, NY.

July 22-25, National Rally, Fryeburg, ME.

August 16-18, Spruce Row Campground, Ithaca, NY.


September 13-15, Dream Lake Campground, Warsaw, NY.

October 11-13, Frost Ridge Campground, LeRoy, NY.

All Masonic campers are invited to join us on a campout.

Harlan Morse, Master of Travel, 6894 Halvorsen Rd., Portageville, NY, 716-493-2883.

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**Past
Master's
Supper Club**

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W.: James J. Powell
Secretary
W.: Robert Sanford

By W.: James J. Powell

It is time for you Past Masters to come out, have a fine dinner, listen to an inspiring speaker, play a card game or two, and visit some old friends. This all takes place on the 4th Friday of each month at the Red Men's Party House, 1001 Lexington Ave., Rochester, NY. If anyone needs

directions, give me a call and I will tell you how to get there.

Speakers

Our speaker for the May 24th meeting was Gil McKee. His topic was on Human Resource Management. The speakers for June are Gunnery Sergeant Barbara Bennet and Sergeant Larry Mead. The topic is "Life in the Marines".

Sickness or distress

At the last meeting there was no news of anyone being sick. I do have a report about some Etolian Past Masters, however. Dale Rankin passed away. A Memorial Service will be held in the near future. Chuck Dinger went in the hospital for major surgery and Chester Carter is looking for you to visit him at his home.

Golf Tournament

I'm on the Board of Directors for the New York State Masonic Golf Tournament. This year it is being held at Silver Lake Country Club, Perry, NY, on September 6-8. Any Mason or lady is eligible to be in the Tournament. For information, contact Jim MacConnell at 494-1815, Ruel Lovett at 494-2546 or me.

French Women In Masonry

By Don Mears, Grand Historian, Grand Lodge of Nebraska

"The Philatelic Freemason Journal", of the Masonic Study Unit of the American Topical Association, recently provided a copy of an article translated from a 1994 issue of "L'Express", a French magazine similar to our "Time" or "Newsweek". Human Rights Lodge, founded in 1893 for men and women, has 11,500 members of whom 70% are women. It has 430 lodges in 58 countries. No specific religious beliefs are required. Two dominant tendencies are noted. One is republican (as opposed to monarchist) and lay (meaning in France a refusal to accept religious influences). The other tendency is toward spiritual values but has less influence. France has issued a postage stamp commemorating this organization. The Grand Lodge of Women of France, founded in 1945, has 9,000 members, all women, in 250 lodges. Eighty percent are in the provinces. No specific religious beliefs are required. It puts its accent on feminine identity. The Grand Mixed and Universal Lodge, founded in 1973, has 500 members in 30 lodges, half of which are in the provinces. It was founded by dissidents of Human Rights Lodge who reproached their lodge for having strayed from its social ideals. No specific religious beliefs are required. Finally, there is the Grand Mixed Lodge of France, founded in 1982. Half of its 1,140 members are female. It was born from a split in the Grand Mixed and Universal Lodge of which it remains a twin sister. It has 50 lodges. This lodge is very closely linked to the Grand Orient which is atheistic. Special religious beliefs are not required. Priority of work is dedicated to urban life. In all these lodges' female membership amounts to 17,000 - 18% of the Masons in France. (*The Nebraska Mason, Summer 1995. Courtesy MNN*)

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Congratulations to all the newly elected and appointed officers of the Lodges of the 1st and 2nd Monroe Districts. You have been entrusted with the care of the Craft in your area. Fulfill your duty by keeping your Lodge vibrant and alive, exciting and active. Cultivate your new members. Inspire them with a zeal for Masonry that will instill in them the desire for the brotherly love and affection that bonds us all, one to the other.

Elections are complete, the Joint Investiture will be on Monday, June 3rd, and Lodge installations will be done by the end of June. Your Lodge's trestleboard has been established for the year. Now your task is to bring your plans to fruition.

The 1st and 2nd Monroe Districts have access to Masonic Resources that are unheard of in many Districts. Your Masonic Service Bureau of Rochester, the Monroe Masonic Library, the Bureau of Masonic Education are just a few of the many places you can go for direction and assistance. We will be highlighting these resources in our columns on a regular basis.

Masters and Wardens

One organization deserves your Lodge's close attention and support. It is the Masters and Wardens Association. The Association provides an avenue for Masonic communication for the elected officers of your Lodge. Participation in the Association allows your officers to keep abreast of events and programs being sponsored by other Lodges in the District. It provides a forum for the discussion of Masonic issues and allows your Masters and Wardens to find out what works and what doesn't. It is the logic and appropriate venue for many of the Grand Lodge programs we have been asked to present to the Lodges in the Monroe Districts.

The Masters and Wardens

Association meets every fourth Saturday from September through June at Lodges throughout the county. W.-. Donald Darrohn, the incoming Master of Etolian Lodge No. 479, has been elected President of the Association, and will be contacting all Lodges in both Districts with a schedule of meetings and events. We urge every Lodge to encourage its elected officers to make use of this valuable resource.

Umbrella Chairmen have been selected for our committees. They are:

Membership Development

R.-W.- Bruce Chilton

Membership Retention

R.-W.- Joseph Privitera

Fellowship/Family Involvement

W.-. David Foster

Public Involvement/Awareness

To be announced

Brotherhood Fund 1st Monroe

Brother Carl Scarpulla, Jr.

Brotherhood Fund 2nd Monroe

Brother Randall Griswold

Mark your calendar

Some upcoming dates are:

The Joint Investiture, Monday, June 3rd at the Downtown Masonic Temple. Open to Past Masters only. Dinner reservations through your Secretary.

School of Ritual, Thursday, September 26th at Etolian Lodge, Spencerport, NY. Attendance counts for the Banners. 7:30 p.m. sharp.

Grand Lecturer's Convention, Wednesday, October 23rd at the Downtown Masonic Temple. M.-W.- Calvin Bond, Grand Lecturer.

Table Lodge to benefit the Eagle Scouts of Otetiana Council, Friday, October 25th at the Shrine Mosque, Bay Road, Webster. M.-W.- Calvin Bond, guest speaker.

M.-W.- Calvin Bond has extended his stay in the Rochester area to be our guest speaker at the Table Lodge. It would be a fitting tribute, and a wonderful expression of our gratitude to have as many Howard Potts Awards earned at the Grand Lecturer's Convention as possible. Your Lodge can earn its Potts Award, and receive recognition at Grand Lodge in New York next year. All that is required is your Master, Sr. and Jr. Wardens, Deacons and Masters of Ceremony by in attendance at the Convention. Two hours time from your Lodges seven top line officers. Masters, get your officers commitment NOW! ☐

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By D. Scott Seltzer

Degree Festival

We thank everyone who made the Degree Festival the success that it was. The spirit of cooperation was tremendous. As always, "Murphy's Law" tried to inflict itself on the day, but we conquered. The minor revisions in the morning sessions were easily accomplished. The last minute cast changes in the Hiram Legend went very smoothly.

For those of you who assisted with this event, we thank you and salute you! If we tried to list everyone in this column we would surely miss someone and that can cause hurt feelings. So, to everyone who attended, please accept this small gesture of appreciation, a blanket thank you!

We do, however, feel it is necessary to offer special thanks to R.-W.- Mat Gingold, W.-. Glenn Hedges and the Valley of Rochester, A.A.S.R. for going above and beyond the normal level of service.

School of Ritual

Our next School of Ritual will be held Thursday, September 26th, at Etolian Lodge in Spencerport. We will begin at 7:30 p.m. The work for the evening will be the Opening and Closing of Lodge and Reception of Grand Lodge Officers. Note this change as Balloting has been removed from the agenda.

In addition to the revised format, this School will be open to Lodge Officers (including Secretaries and Treasurers) and Lodge Ritual Directors ONLY. The Chairs will be filled on a voluntary basis.

Grand Lecturer's Convention

Our Annual Grand Lecturer's Convention will be on Wednesday, October 23rd, at the Downtown Masonic Temple. A Stuffed Chicken Breast Dinner will be served at 6:15 p.m. The Convention will begin at 7:30 p.m. in Doric Hall. The work for the evening will be the 1st Degree.

We, along with your new Grand Lodge Officers, hope to continue the tradition of multiple Potts Awards for the Monroes. We have a reputation for having the best attended, organized and performed Conventions. It is our goal to continue these high standards. With your help and support our goal will be attained.

New Rituals

The new Ritual Book (as in only one book) is now available through Grand Lodge Sales. The cost is \$10.00. Contact your Secretary or Grand Lodge Sales for more information.

Have a fun and safe Summer. ☐

Grand Lodge Staff Officers of the Monroes



R.-W.- Eugene G. Brendel,
Grand Sword Bearer



R.-W.- William D. Spillane,
Grand Director of Ceremonies

Busy times

Having heard from an eye (or should we say ear) witness that our Appointments are official, we are really beginning to sense the weight of responsibility settling in. Despite the fact that it is May 12th and we had snow today, and the forecast of record low temperatures tonight, we know that it is Spring (?), some Lodge elections have occurred and others are about to occur. That means that our calendars are rapidly filling with Installations, Official Visits and other social and District events.

As hundreds of golf fans are in the process of invading the Rochester area for the Annual LPGA Golf Tournament, your four new Grand Lodge Officers will be heading out to Utica for further training and official Investiture as Officers by the Grand Master. We have been told that this will not only be an important and exciting event, but also a fun time. We are eagerly looking forward to it.

As we commented in last month's article, there are some very capable Masons moving into positions of responsibility at the District level and also in the Lodges of the two Monroes. John Zabel and Scott Seltzer have been appointed as AGL's for the 1st and 2nd Districts respectively. John will also continue as President of the Bureau of Masonic Education and Scott will bring his expertise as he steps down from Grand Sword Bearer. In addition to directing the Investiture Service for incoming Masters on June 3rd, they remind us of the Grand Lecturer's Convention on October 23rd. Following the Convention, M.-W.- Calvin G. Bond has agreed to stay over as guest speaker for the Table Lodge on October 25th, proceeds of which will benefit the Eagle Scout Award Program.

Most of the incoming Masters have been present at and have benefited by attending the Senior Wardens work shops in January and March. The Trestleboards that have been prepared indicate that plans have been carefully made for some very interesting Lodge communications and programs. We would suggest that all you "rusty Brothers" out there bone up on the signs and passwords and be ready to come out and give your support to these hard working Masons. For those of you who are regular attenders, contact one of these "not-so-regulars" and invite him back to Lodge. Keep in mind that sideliners are important to the Lodge. Many Lodges will be having Bring-a-Friend events during the

Summer, so keep your eyes peeled for potential candidates. As William J. Bennett has said, "There are no menial jobs, only menial attitudes".

To the incoming Jr. and Sr. Wardens, we should also recommend that you become active in the Masters and Wardens Association. The newly elected officers are determined to revitalize this group and are energized to provide meaningful programs and effective ways to disseminate vital District information. From previous experience, we can say with certainty that many lifelong friendships develop through this group, and isn't that what makes Masonry so great? Too often we think about Masonry only in terms of our own Lodge, and yet most of us at one time or another have experienced the joy of being recognized as Masons far from home and wasn't that a good feeling? We can experience the same good feeling by keeping in touch with and visiting other Monroe District Lodges.

Are you looking forward to Summer and the period of relaxation that it affords? Reading is a great way to relax. Why not expand your Masonic knowledge by visiting the Downtown Temple library and choosing one or more of the many books that are available on our favorite subject? There is a good selection and you can call the Service Bureau for library times. Books can be withdrawn for 30 days and renewed if necessary. For history buffs, we would recommend "Born in Blood" by John Robinson. It is not only historical, but extremely thought provoking as to another possible origin of the Masonic Fraternity. If it is not available Downtown, you can find it in the Monroe County Library System.

By the time this issue of the *Times* is published, it will be too late to make reservations for the Retirement Dinner for Rich Friedman, Terry Wihlen, Bruce Chilton and Scott Seltzer. We also know that there are literally hundreds of Brothers who are grateful for the contributions made over the last two years to their Districts and over the years to the Fraternity as a whole by these dedicated servants of the Craft. If you are not able to be present at Logan's for the dinner, a friendly handshake or a pat on the shoulder when you next see them, or even a card of thanks for a job well done, would be appropriate. From those who must follow in the "footsteps of the four", we offer our gratitude and ask for their patience to be as freely given as the aid and advice already provided. We will still look for them in the quarries! ☐

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Masters & Wardens Association

1st & 2nd
MONROE DISTRICTS

By Donald Darrohn, Master Elect

All the incoming Officers of our Association extend a warm greeting to all the Masters, Wardens, Very Worshipfuls and Right Worshipfuls. We are excited about belonging to one of New York's most progressive Masonic areas!

Picnic

We have planned a picnic to welcome all the newly elected Junior Wardens and their ladies. It will be held at Damascus Shrine Temple, 979 Bay Road, Webster, on June 25th at 6:30 p.m. All food (hots & hamburgers with all the trimmings), beverages and utensils will be provided. There will be no charge to the JW group, a \$1.00 per person charge for the SW group and \$2.00 per person charge for the Masters' group. A brief orientation, followed by a short discussion of M&W Trestleboard plans for the coming year, will allow lots of time for socializing.

Save the date

October 25th is the date of the next Table Lodge held to support the Masonic effort to provide Eagle Scout pin sets to the 100 or so young men who achieve that goal each year in Monroe County. The event will take place at the Damascus Shrine Temple in Webster and the guest speaker will be M.W. Calvin G. Bond, Grand Lecturer. We look for a great turnout at this event, especially since the Masters & Wardens Association unanimously endorsed this project at its last meeting.

Trestleboard

Work is progressing on a complete listing of events for the coming year. Two that we can share at present include: A presentation by R.W. Kenneth "Bud" Mathers on Acacia Village and associated facilities at Utica in September or October. In November we will have a representative present from the Ronald McDonald House that will "Kick-Off" our effort in the Have-A-Heart, Buy-A-Heart Campaign.

Purpose

As we close the first of our articles, it seems appropriate to review what it is we are about. To accomplish that we are simply going to state our Mission Statement from the current By-Laws, "The overall objective/mission of the M&W Association is to strengthen the Fraternity through information sharing, to present new ideas, to act as a clearing house for necessary information, prioritizing important issues, establish an atmosphere for mutual bonding and to build a social network within the group." For us to accomplish the above stated objective we need everyone's support!

We'll see YOU in the quarries! Have a great Summer!

2nd Monroe District

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 "Buzz" Gorman

Hello Brothers, families and friends of Charlotte/Corinthian. I apologize for missing last month's issue of the *Times*. I got caught up in the 3rd Degree and preparation for my trip to Grand Lodge and forgot the article until a week later. I'm not surprised to read how busy and troubled our lives have become in today's society. I am sorry to have missed the opportunity to correspond with you all.

New York City

I will briefly mention my trip to Grand Lodge. It was a very interesting and successful one wherein I have renewed interest in the City. Carol and I stayed with the Masters and Wardens at the St. Moritz on 59th and 6th. The location was perfect and the close association we had with the group developed several close relationships that will continue. I also had the opportunity to meet some worldwide Masonic leaders: Grand Masters from Russia, Portugal and Iran, in exile, were present along with Grand Masters from several states and Canada.

Our Grand Master emphasized our need for continued interactions on the international front and he carried on the business of voting on matters with the same determination.

We visited the Statue of Liberty, Greenwich Village, the Empire State Building and the stores on 5th Avenue. We relaxed with a carriage ride around Central Park and shared good food and fellowship. New York City looks great and was a pleasure to tour.

The Grand Master's Reception at the Terrace on the Park was an outstanding success and impressive.

Thank you

Many thanks to the Line Officers for their Move-Up Night and special thanks to JW Mike Gorall for sitting in the East.

Brothers and friends, when viewing the job as Master, we have a vision of what we wish to accomplish and realize as many of those aspirations as possible. We can only realize those things wherein we have the assistance of the Brethren and I feel that Charlotte/Corinthian had a year full of successes and learning and will be strong in the years to come.

More thanks

I thank SW Jim DeLorenzo for his backing and willingness to help carry tasks to completion, JW Mike Gorall for his persistent efforts to move forward in line and fill a void in the line that will ensure a strong one for the next few years.

SD Andy Alvarez had a half a year to step in, take control of the floor and begin mastering the

Ritual work. JD Tom Grape had only months of being a Master Mason before filling SMC responsibilities and now half a year as JD. He has been very dedicated. W.: Cliff Short, SD, JD, SMC, MC, and Trustee, what can I say to or for someone who makes such a difference in the lives of those around them...Thank you, my Brother. JMC Dave Rainey helped fill in the line and Brother Frank Jansson filled another phenomenal year as Steward with a lot of help from W.: Floyd Bedoar.

Surely we cannot forget the directions from Marshal, Nick Vlahos, and our heavenly guidance from W.: Mike Staub as Chaplain. W.: Chuck Simpson was spectacular as Treasurer, W.: Don Freeman was always there to tile the meetings and Brother Warren Alhart filled our hearts with music.

Brother Bill Flemming, Secretary, helped to keep us heading in the right direction. Our Trustees, led by R.W.: Joe Privitera, have our Lodge on firm ground and have taken steps to ensure a strong tomorrow for Charlotte/Corinthian.

Finally, I wish to express my sincere gratitude to the wives, families and friends who gave of their time and efforts to make 1995 a great year for the Lodge. I have truly learned the meaning and value of Masonic Brotherhood from each and everyone of you. Thank you for your help, ideas, understanding, enthusiasm and your compassion. Thanks for giving me the honor of serving as Master.

See you at the picnic in Durand Eastman Park!

By SW Jim DeLorenzo

To all of the members and friends of Charlotte/Corinthian. Since I am still Senior Warden, I haven't had the pleasure of addressing most of you with a hearty "Hello" as your Master, but will do so shortly.

Responsibility

It is a great honor to be elected Master of Charlotte/Corinthian. I take the responsibility with deep sincerity and eagerness and hope that I will fulfill yours as well as my expectations for the coming year. I'm looking forward to it and hope that many more of you get the opportunity of coming to Lodge to enjoy the fellowship.

Thank you

I thank my line of officers for doing a great job on Move-up Night. I hope everyone gained some useful information from the "Structure of Freemasonry", videotape. There are nine more videotapes in the series, so....

Coming events

Since this is the last issue of the *Masonic Times* before our Summer break, I want to communicate upcoming events of my Trestleboard for next year.

On June 4th we will have a Sport Shirt Night with a short talk on Masonic History. This will be followed by a Lodge Euchre Tournament.

We will have an Open Installation on Sunday, June 9th at 2:00 p.m. The Installation Team, as well as the Officers to be installed, will be in tuxes.

The Fathers' Day Picnic will be held at Durand Eastman on Sunday, June 16th from noon to 5:00 p.m. Call Brother Mike Gorall for details at 458-5255.

Our Bring-a-Friend Night will be held on June 18th. Give me a call, with the names of prospective guests so that the customary letter of invitation may be sent

out, at 458-8856 (home) or 453-3933 (work).

Fall meetings

There will be no meeting on September 3rd. Our first regular meeting will be on September 17th. JW Andy Alvarez will be providing the program for the evening. It is entitled "Humor Night".

1st Degree

We are planning to confer the 1st Degree on October 1st with SW Mike Gorall in the East. This will be preceded by a dinner.

Communication

Your new line of officers would like to know your thoughts on dinners before meetings. Did you enjoy the last meal catered by Forest Hills? I did!

Chilly-Chili Contest

Last, but certainly not least, we will be entering the Chilly-Chili Contest this year! In order to prepare for this fun event we will be having an ongoing contest at the Lodge for the best recipes, best tasting and hottest. So, start thinking about your favorite and be prepared for some great tasting, interesting, and hot (?) additions to our after meeting lunches.

Hope to see you at one of the upcoming meetings or events and have a great Summer!

Editor's Award for Lodge Articles

The above article was selected for its concise, straight-forward style and economy of language.

FAME Lodge No. 945

CHARTERED 1917

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



Leon VanHuben, Secretary
647-1391
4275 Culver Rd.
ROCHESTER, N.Y. 14622

By W.: Dean F. Marsaw

First of all, I thank all the members of Fame Lodge for giving me the honor of being your Master again, and the members who said "Yes" to help me make this year yours. It is your support and dedication that keeps Fame Lodge going.

June

The Program for June 11th is crazy or loud, Tee Shirt Night. We will be serving strawberry shortcake. Our speaker will be Acting Police Chief Debra M. Dwyer of the Greece Police Department. Please bring your wife or lady friend, as this is a special night for them.

Pancake Breakfast

Mark the date of August 10th,

at 9:00 a.m., on your calendar for our Pancake Breakfast with real Maple Syrup. It will be at Fame Lodge and a reservation letter will be sent out, with the cost, at a later date. This event is for family, friends, neighbors, etc.

Have a safe and enjoyable Summer.

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Henrietta Lodge No. 526

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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 Ron Morthorst

Brotherhood Fund '96

June flowers are here and the Brotherhood Fund in is full bloom. Have you added to the worthy garden? If not, send a flower (Brotherhood Fund donation) to me at 231 Mystic Lane, Rochester, NY, 14623.

Thank you to all who have replied and sent in your donation. Yes, if you send yours in, you may take a tax deduction on your income tax.

Fellowcraft news

The Steak Roast will be June 4th at the Temple. We will eat at 6:30 p.m., with a social hour to follow. You MUST make your own reservation by May 29th. Call me at 334-4196 or Bob at 292-6383. All reservations must be honored.

Ooops!

Please accept my apologies for putting the June birthday listings in the May issue of the *Times*. May birthdays were celebrated by Brothers Charles Grimm, Harold Gruschow, Alfred Rodgers, and Joseph Bourcy III. We wish these Brothers belated birthday wishes.

Happy Birthday

A very happy birthday to the Brothers who are celebrating their birthdays in JUNE: Henry Hansen, Terry Baird, Harold Stenzel, Gary Hall, Werner Zornow, Stuart Oakley and Terry Wihlen.

JULY: Dean Fero, George Barker, William Kuhls, Robert Aldrich, Gene Edwards, Anthony Simone, William Mitchell, Lawrence Miller, James Tullock, and Chevalier Williams.

AUGUST: Ron Morthorst, Thomas Dunn, Albert Lingard, Charles Doty, Donald Miller, Harold Wagner, Ted Diehl, Reginald Hopkinson and Anthony Noto.

If you see these Brothers, wish them a Happy Birthday.

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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.: Craig T. Mollon
 Save the date

Brethren, on Wednesday, June 12th, Churchville Lodge No. 667 will be hosting a very special Awards Night. The M.: W.: Bruce Widger, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York, will be presenting awards to numerous Brothers of our Lodge. There will be a 50 Year Pin Award as the highlight of the evening. The Lodge's famous Chicken and Biscuit Dinner will precede the Awards Ceremony. Social hour will be at 5:30 p.m., and Dinner at 6:30 p.m. The Awards presentation will be at 7:30 p.m. Reservations are a must for this special event.

Election and Installation

Churchville Lodge No. 667 met on the 8th of May for the Election of Officers for the ensuing year. The Open Installation took place on Wednesday, May 22nd. The Installation was preceded by a dinner of Gourmet Chicken Salad and Twice Baked Duchess Potatoes. The Lodge expresses its thanks to all who helped and participated in any way. Special thanks goes to R.: W.: Earl Steffen, R.: W.: Don Leisten, R.: W.: George Simon, R.: W.: Charles Daycock and R.: W.: Rod Meier for all their help in putting on the Installation. The new Officers are:

Master	Craig Mollon
Sec.	R.: W.: Earl Steffen
Treas.	R.: W.: Don Leisten
Chap.	R.: W.: Charles Daycock
SW	George Burke
JW	Louis Sanfilippo
SD	Ken Robinson
JD	John Hennessy
SMC	George Gannon
JMC	Santo Morici
Stewards	W.: Garry Hutchurson
	W.: Ed Roman
Marshal	Lawrence Bright

The Special Advisor and Director of Program is R.: W.: Earl Steffen; Director of Degrees, R.: W.: George Simon; Past Masters Outreach Program, W.: Garry Hutchurson and W.: Ed Roman; and the Special Artistic Consultant to the Lodge, Alan Jeerings.

We at Churchville Lodge No. 667 wish all our Masonic Brethren a happy and safe Summer. □

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 17 Church Street
 Pittsford, N.Y. 14534

By W.: Michael J. Herrmann
 My first chance

This is an opportunity I have long sought. I've been waiting for my first opportunity to write the newsletter for Northfield Lodge.

Election and Installation

Our Election of Officers was held on May 16th. In the hope that this will reach you before, I invite you to our Open Installation on May 30th with R.: W.: D. Scott Seltzer as Installing Master. The Lodge is proud of all the Line Officers and looks forward to another successful year.

Brotherhood Fund

As a reminder, the Brotherhood Fund Campaign ends May 31st. If you have not contributed, please do so now. Northfield Lodge has reached 30% participation and it would be nice if we reached at least 50% by the 31st. As Chairman of the Brotherhood Fund Campaign, I can tell you that several small donations quickly add up and I would be pleased to add your name to the list of contributors before this year's Campaign is over.

DeMolay

The Genesee Valley Chapter of the Order of DeMolay is being rejuvenated at Northfield by Brothers James Weick and W.: Daniel Walker. These Brothers will do a fine job, as the DeMolay has always found a special place in their hearts. Needless to say, they are soliciting contributions to revitalize the treasury of the GVC, thus enabling them to begin the long and tedious process.

Newsletter

A "Newsletter" was included with the dues notices. The April '96 edition was developed by Brother James Weick. Hats off to Jim, nice job. If you could send a little extra along with your dues, it will help offset the burden of our building loan.

Lodge of Remembrance

The "Lodge of Remembrance" was held on May 2nd. W.: William D. Spillane placed white roses upon the altar after reading the names of our departed Brothers from the last two years. Chaplain, R.: W.: Jack Thibaut, read the names, dates of Entering, Passing, Raising and of their departure with such reverence and special feeling, it brought tears to my eyes. This was truly a fitting tribute to our departed Brothers.

Sickness and distress

The altar was draped for Brother Robert Smith who was called to the Celestial Lodge on

March 22nd. He was a 51 year member of Northfield Lodge.

Brother Charles Chesterman is in the Beechwood Nursing Home on Culver Road after suffering a fall. I went there to present him with his 55 Year Certificate. He sends his best to the Brothers and said he often thinks of you. He will be 96 years old on May 30th and I found him to be quite chipper and alert. I am sure he would enjoy hearing from you.

June meeting

The June 6th meeting will be our last before Summer. It is also our set-up night for the Pittsford Colonial Days sausage stand. The Lodge needs help manning the stand on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

Help!


We need help with the Strawberry Festival on June 27th. Please sign up at Lodge or call me at 872-0113. We always have a good time working and spending time together.

My goals

I am looking forward to serving the Lodge as Master for the coming year, but I will need your support to carry out some of my goals. I hope to bring back some of the Brothers who have not attended Lodge for a while. If there is a problem, please let me know. If you can't find a ride, or are worried that you may have forgotten some of the signs, please call me. There is almost always a solution to your problems.

I also plan to include our widows in as many of our activities as possible and look forward to their input and suggestions for the future of our Lodge. I have organized a committee to form a Widows' Group. The Lodge is committed to welcome, include, and support the wives of our departed Brethren. □

Union Star
Lodge No. 320



W.: James B. Hart,
 Master
 H 624-1072
 W 475-9050

2nd
 Monday
 7:30 P.M.

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

By W.: James B. Hart

Welcome

Congratulations to Brother Ken Hecker on becoming our new Brother at the Degree Fest on April 20th. Welcome to the Fraternity, Ken, and welcome to Union Star Lodge.

The Fest was another great success, and I was proud to be part of it. The team did an outstanding job. W.: Ed Roman, from Churchville and Union Star's own, W.: Craig Emmons, shared the East. They were fantastic, as were all the other Brothers who took part. A special thank you to our hosts, Valley/Simes Lodge No. 109.

June events

This year has gone by very quickly, and I can't believe it's almost over. Installation of Officers will take place on June 10th. This will be an open meeting, and an invitation goes out to all.


On June 17th we will be having a 1st Degree and we invite all our Lodge Brothers, and those from other Lodges, to attend. We

will open Lodge at 6:00 p.m., have dinner at 6:30 p.m., and the Degree will start promptly at 7:30 p.m. For reservations, give me a call at 624-1072, or leave a message on our Lodge answering machine at 624-2323. I'm not sure what's being served yet, but our dinners have been excellent in the past.

I'll sign off now, and hope to see all my Brothers at Union Star Lodge at our next meeting on June 10th. Remember it's a special day for us, and we would like as much support as possible.

Remember the Brotherhood Fund. □

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 Foster

Greetings, Brethren

Well, we're off and running! Your new Officers have been duly elected, appointed and installed in their offices. I'd like to start the year by saying that I am very proud of and pleased with the men who will be serving this year. For the first time in many years, I am glad to say, none of our Line Officers from Senior Warden on down, (except Tiler) are Past Masters. With their and your help, I am sure it will be another great year.

Thanks

My thanks to W.: Nelson Birtch, W.: Douglas Spencer, and W.: Paul Kruger, who served as Installing Officers, for their fine work. I also want to thank all the Brothers who came out that night. It was nice to see such a good turnout.

I especially thank W.: Paul Kruger for serving as Senior Warden this past year and Junior Warden the year before. Your help allowed the Lodge to bring along our Officers without having to rush them through the Chairs. Thanks also to R.: W.: Don Krech and all the other Brethren who helped fill in on short notice.

Good news!

We already have a petition as a result of our Bring-a-Friend Program and we are expecting several more! If you have a prospective candidate, get their petition in by our June meeting so we can get them in our Fall class. Special thanks to Brothers Bob McBride, Pat Mulrooney and R.: W.: Rich Friedman for their help in putting on this program. We'll be doing it again in the Fall, so start making your list of prospective invitees now.

Sickness and distress

On a somber note, we were saddened by the passing of Brother Robert Bannister recently. Our sincerest sympathy to his family and friends. We also send our best wishes and prayers to R.: W.: Jim Branigan and to Esther Dibble, wife of R.: W.: Bob Dibble. We were glad to hear W.: Oscar Reber and Brother Al Falk are on the mend. Hope to see you in Lodge soon.

Goal surpassed

Reporting on the Brotherhood Fund, Chairman Andy McBride said that we are over the 70% participation level with more donations still expected. This far surpasses the goal set by the DDGM's. Terrific job by Andy again this year, and of course, all you who contributed. It doesn't look like we're going to hit our goal of 85% this year unless you guys really move quickly. I really think that 85% is achievable, so that's the goal I am setting for this next year. With all of your help, I know we can hit that 85% target this year.

Ladies Night

By the time you read this, our Ladies Night will have been a smashing success. A good time will have been had by all! Thanks to Brother Bob McBride for making the arrangements again this year.

Fellowship

Our meeting on June 4th will feature the Annual Visit from our friends of Concordia Lodge in Buffalo. A delicious dinner will be served after a short meeting with fellowship to follow. Please note there WILL NOT be a Pot Luck Dinner and that this meeting is just for the men. Sorry, ladies. Officers, no tuxes, just suits for this meeting. Invite some prospective Brothers to this night. The more the merrier. Please call me at 244-0194 as soon as possible to let me know if you are coming.


In addition, we will be reading for the 3rd time and then voting on the proposed change to our By Laws regarding changing our meeting schedule. Please plan to come to this important meeting.

Summer plans

Our Annual Corn and Sausage Roast will be held on August 3rd at Brother Ed Schmitt's home in Lyons. We'll get a flyer out to you with all the details during the Summer. It's sure to be a great time, as usual. Plan on coming and bringing some friends along.

Lastly, I want to wish you and yours a safe and happy Summer. I hope to see you at one or more of our upcoming events. Keep the momentum going! □

O-At-Ka
Lodge No. 759



W.: Kevin Fisher
 359-2289

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

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

By W.: Carmen Valleri

Well, this is it. Last letter. The end of the term as Master. A lot of things I wanted to do, I didn't. Of course, a lot of things I didn't want to do I did. Shucks, nobody's perfect. But I can honestly say that the Lodge is still at 5 Browns Avenue and that's exactly where it was when I started.

Thanks

Seriously, I thank everyone who helped me this year. In all truth, I could not have done it without you.

Best wishes

By the time you get this paper our new Master will be in the
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O-At-Ka Lodge No. 759
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East. I've talked with him about his year and this man is going to cause a bigger spark than Mrs. O'Leary's cow. Lots of plans and things to do. Don't miss any part of his year.

It is my pleasure to introduce our new Master, W.. Kevin Fisher. Good luck, my Brother. I know you will do a great job.

Assisting our new Master will be:
SW Don Tubman
JW Gary Trescott
Sec. Glenn Scheerens
Treas. Burt Brown
Chaplain John Horn

I leave it to our new Master to introduce the rest of his line.

Farewell


A dinner was held for Brother Charles and Jean Webb to say goodbye and thank you. A beautiful watch was presented to Brother Charlie, who will be dearly missed.

Closing thoughts

I hope my year was at least passable. I'm looking forward to helping from the sideline. In closing, may I quote the immortal Jimi Hendrix, "scuse me while I kiss the sky".

**Craftsman/
Robertson
Lodge No. 969**

W.. Carmen
A. Vitall,
Master
H 334-1214



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

W.. Thomas W. Kendig, Sec.
265-2624
875 Main Street East
Rochester, N.Y. 14605

By Robert F. Ogden

Reminder

Our Lodge Picnic will be held on July 13th at the Shrine Mosque on Bay Road. Let's really have a great turn out!

Fellowcraft Meeting

The meeting was held on May 14th. We had the reading of the Annual Reports, and finalized the list of Line Officers and Installation plans for the Summons/ Dinner Meeting on May 21st.

Past events

Several Craftsman members and their ladies attended the Annual Scottish Rite Banquet on May 18th at the Holiday Inn Airport. This year R..W.. Don Brugger was honored. We also attended the Grand Lodge Officers' Apron Presentation and Retirement Dinner on May 31st at Logan's Party House.

Milestones

Happy birthday to our Brothers born in May: Ed Bastian, Al Bowers, Charlie Chatfield, Mark Cold, Chuck Frieda, Bill Leggett and Len Schulmerich.

Fall meetings

Everyone have a great Summer and we look forward to our first Fall Lodge meeting on September 3rd.

We will have our Fellowcraft meeting on September 10th and a regular Lodge meeting on September 17th.

By W.. Kenneth J. Skidmore

The waiting game

Please hold. All our operators are busy at this time. As soon as

one is available, we will be glad to let you know what is happening with John A. Robertson Lodge. All the paper work is in, everyone seems to think all is okay, but we have not gotten permission from Grand Lodge to merge yet. We are on a day by day operation.

Flash!

We've just been informed that the merger is official as of May 16th. By the time you read this, the Election and Installation of new Officers will have taken place and we will be off to a new start. Now that we are merged, you will be reading about events by the new Craftsman/Robertson Lodge No. 969. Does this sound confusing? You are not nearly as confused as I am!

Party

We had a delightful party at Rick's Prime Rib House, planned by Norm Gauch. There were many people there that we have not seen in several years. It was great seeing so many enjoying each other's company. Although the party was the recognition of the end of an era, it also showed us that the bond that has made John A. Robertson great is still there and will continue to manifest itself in the new Lodge. Although DDGM Terry Wihlen was not there, due to an emergency, we were pleased that GSB Scott Seltzer could share our good time. They both have been most encouraging and helpful during our period of transition. They deserved to share in our festivities.

Care and support

Now that I know this will be my final article (one way or another), I again thank those Brothers that have stood by me during my term. I feel these have been trying times and my life was made so much easier because of their continued caring and support. As anyone who has been here knows, the Lodge functions so much better when all Brothers, and their wives, pitch in to make our work efforts and our fun times more productive. Thank you!

More support will be needed

I also make a point of asking all the Brothers to be supportive and attend the functions and efforts of our new Lodge. We have been made most welcome and our new Brothers have made it very clear that it is a combined Craftsman/Robertson Lodge No. 969. We all have to work together to make a successful union of both Lodges. We will be meeting the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. We need to continue the Brotherly cooperation that we have displayed through the many years.

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By George Springett

This is the month of new beginnings for many of the Lodges that have or will be installing a new Master. These new Masters will bring the baggage from their past Lodge experience, along

**District Deputy
Grand Master**

Genesee/Wyoming
District



R..W.. Robert F. Dagen

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Each one of us has done some 'traveling' in Freemasonry, now it is time for me to embark on another road of travel. I have the designs and working tools to accomplish the tasks at hand.

Autobiography

This being my first opportunity to introduce myself, and I think that I should give you a brief autobiography so that you may know a bit about me. I hope to become familiar with you as I meet you in the future.

I am married, my lady's name is Bobbi, and we have three children. We were both born and raised in and around Lancaster County, PA. We moved to New York State during the early 1970's and have resided in Western New York since 1973. We are members of the South Byron United Methodist Church.

I have been a member of the Fraternity since June, 1976, and served Batavia Lodge No. 475 as Master in 1984 and 1987. I am a member of Western Star Chapter No. 35, RAM; Nun-Da-Wa-Ga Council No. 92, R&SM; Batavia Commandery No. 34, K.T. and Batavia Chapter No. 267, OES.

I am retired from the military and Federal Civil Service. Some of my interests include my family, church, golfing, football (Buffalo

with some new ideas. With the blessings of the Supreme Architect of the Universe and the support of the membership of his Lodge, this new Master can and will lead the Lodge in a direction necessary for the growth of Freemasonry. Listen and assist him with wise council.

The District Deputy has aided this new Master with the latest Lodge Officers Training Program. As the supporting Wardens, it will become apparent that this tool is necessary for you as well. The Training Program will assist you on the road to the East.

From my experience in taking the training, I gained knowledge of the steps necessary to prepare me for my seat in the East. With this in mind, I would want my successor to have this same advantage, so, to the Wardens who work in the West and South assisting the Master, please complete the Lodge Officers Training Program NOW.

Reminder

Our District Go To Church Sunday is August 4th at the United Church of Warsaw. Worship Service will begin at 10:30 a.m. Breakfast will start at 8:30 a.m. at the Warsaw Temple; your Master has advance tickets.

Bills), amateur radio and working with computers.

Freemasonry means an awful lot to me and it has become a major part of my life over the past few years. Now Freemasonry is taking on a new aspect for me, with new challenges and opportunities. One of the things among many that Masonry has provided me is the privilege of meeting many new people with whom I immediately felt at ease, whether during my experiences in the military or elsewhere while traveling throughout my life.

The Staff Officer, R..W.. Richard Anderson, and I have had the opportunity of meeting with the Grand Master and his 'task force team' on several occasions during the past few months. We are excited and enthusiastic in setting out in our respective duties. We have been given instructions for our labors and are at your service at any and all times. We make ourselves available to serve you while performing the duties set forth by Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York, M..W.. Earl J. Hino, Jr.

Reminders


Just a couple of reminders of coming District events. The Golf Tournament at Pike is June 1st, the Annual Father's Day Breakfast at Letchworth Park (Lower Falls) is June 16th and the Annual Breakfast and Go To Church Sunday at Warsaw Lodge and the United Church of Warsaw is August 4th. Tickets for the Breakfast are in possession of your respective Masters or can be obtained by contacting R..W.. Richard Anderson or me. The format this year will take on a new approach. Join us for Breakfast and then attend church with us at Warsaw or at your own church after breakfast.

Some of you I have already met at Installations, and I look forward to meeting others at future events.

I know that with your support of Freemasonry and God's blessing, we will realize what the Fraternity represents and that it will shed its beneficence upon all whom we have contact with.

Enjoy your Summer. May God bless you all and your families.

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



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

**2nd & 4th
Tuesdays**

Charles R. Newman
Secretary 492-4468

**Main Street
Arcade, New York 14009**

By R..W.. Leonard W. Mason

This year we are going to try something a little different and hold a joint breakfast with our Eastern Star Sisters on May 27th, Memorial Day. It will start at 8:00 a.m. and run until noon. Since this is a day with considerable activity in the community (parade and sidewalk sale by the merchants), we hope to increase our

**Grand Sword
Bearer**

Genesee/Wyoming District



R..W.. Richard C. Anderson

Changing of the Guard

Grand Lodge's 215th Annual Communication being concluded, I am honored to join the ranks as a Grand Lodge Officer representing the Genesee/Wyoming District. In the next 2 years it will be the responsibility of the new DDGM, R..W.. Robert Dagen, and myself to help the District with new programs and education. There are plenty of ways to help ourselves and the Craft.

Elections

It is time for individual Lodges to hold their elections and select aggressive and dedicated leaders. They should be men who will take the bull by the horns and make things happen.

Visitation

Brothers, let us not forget the ill and shut-ins.

exposure and raise funds for needed building repairs. We need MANPOWER!!

Fundraising

The Annual Chicken Bar-B-Q will be held June 2nd. This has traditionally been one of the best fundraising events for us. Plan to attend and support not only by eating, but helping serve the food or selling tickets.

Installation

Due to the necessity of meeting the publication deadline of the *Masonic Times*, the Elected Officers are not known as of this date. Please support the Installation of the Arcade Lodge Officers on June 11th, along with the Officers of Mt. Vernon Lodge, which will be held at Arcade Temple. Oyster Stew will be served after Installation.

Child ID

Initial contact has been made with the Pioneer Association of Churches to create a program of filming local children. I hope to start this project after establishing a schedule and starting a pre-registration for those interested in having their children filmed. As with all other projects, it will need to be supported with help.

A core of experienced personnel will be needed to continue the program. It offers retired individuals another job to occupy their already over used time. It will, however, offer a great deal of satisfaction to know that you may help reunite a family with its abducted child should it ever happen. I pray to God that our films will never have to be used.

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W.: William H. Genagon, Master
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2nd & 4th Tuesdays

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

By W.: William Genagon
Public Installation

On May 28th Batavia Lodge held a Public Installation of Officers. Congratulations to all the newly Elected and Appointed Officers. Along with this, we had the recognition of Past Masters and the presentation of Longevity Awards. Fifty Year Awards were presented to Brothers Zane H. Isenberg, Chauncey D. Morse, Richard J. Upson and Gustav C. Wahlstrom. Recognized for Fifty-five Years were Brothers Sherman F. Babcock and George C. Hawley.

We also presented R.: W.: Robert F. Dagen, incoming DDGM of the G/W District, his Purple Apron. He is honored by receiving the District Deputy Apron belonging to R.: W.: Don Clattenburg. Don's health did not permit him to be there, but his wife, Audrey, and their family were in attendance to present the Apron to R.: W.: Brother Dagen.

Best wishes to R.: W.: Bob as he recuperates from the fracture of his right ankle.

St. John's Day

On June 9th Batavia Lodge will be celebrating St. John's Day a little differently this year. The Lodge voted to go out for breakfast and then have a Go-To-Church Sunday at the South Byron United Methodist Church. The church service begins at 11:00 a.m., so we will meet at the Sheraton Inn for breakfast at 8:30 a.m. sharp. The cost of brunch will be \$6.95 per person, plus tax and gratuities. If you and your wife or significant other can come, please let our Secretary know by June 2nd.

On June 11th, our last Communication before Summer recess, we will be conferring a 1st Degree starting at 7:00 p.m. sharp. We will confer the remaining Degrees this Fall.

Summer events

The Annual Summer Picnic will be held August 4th at 1:00 p.m. This event will be held at Godfrey's Pond.

On August 16 - 18 we will be operating a food booth at the Air Show at the Genesee County Airport. There are sign-up sheets at the Lodge. Please note when you will be able to work at this Show. I would like to have all the sheets filled before Summer recess.

Thanks

I thank the Craft for their support and patience this past year as

I sat in the East. I learned many new and exciting ways to handle a communication. I will put them to good use this next year as I have been re-elected to the East. I hope everyone has a safe and fun-filled Summer and I look forward to an exciting year ahead. □

HESPERUS Lodge No. 837



W.: Theodore Paine, Master
548-7136

1st and 3rd Thursday

W.: John Specht, Secretary
548-2694

12 South Lake Ave.
Bergen, N.Y. 14416

By George R. Springett
Good news!

Congratulations to Brother Mitchel Havens on his being raised to Master Mason on May 16, 1996.

To Brother Walter W. Hofmann, raised April 15, 1926 (70 years) and W.: Harold J. DeBrine, raised April 18, 1946 (50 years), congratulations. My Brothers, join with us as we honor these Master Masons at the Installation of Officers on June 9th.

It was nice to see that Hesperus Lodge had five Brothers attend the Grand Lodge Communication in New York City. I know that W.: Theodore Paine was pleased by this support and coverage in his absence.

Thanks to all who worked on the Chicken Bar-B-Q to make it a success again. Special thanks to our cook extraordinaire, W.: Richard Sands.

A final report on the Brotherhood Fund Drive for the year-end shows that our Lodge had the participation from 66 Brothers representing 69% of the membership. Thank you, Brothers.

Upcoming events

Sport shirt night will be at the Lodge on June 6th at 7:30 p.m.

On June 9th there will be an Open Installation of Officers. The Dinner is at 1:00 p.m., with the Installation at 2:00 p.m.

The Lodge Picnic and Steak Roast will be July 27th at the home of Brother Ralph Marsocci in Bergen, NY, starting at 4:00 p.m. Swim suits needed if you intend to enter the swimming pool. You name it game material is in order.

On August 4th the Go to Church Sunday is at the United Church of Warsaw, following the breakfast at the Warsaw Temple, hosted by the Genesee/Wyoming Council of Masonic Activities. Advance breakfast tickets available from George Springett. The breakfast starts at 8:30 a.m. and the Church Service is at 10:30 a.m.

September 5th is the Roll Call Communication. All come and be counted. □

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



W.: Steve Sharman, Master
786-2745

1st & 3rd Mondays

R.: W.: Kenneth E. Kohlhaugen, Secretary
591-9598
2473 Route 20A
Varysburg, N.Y. 14167

By W.: Steve Sharman
Brethren

Our 3rd Degree went well in Attica on April 27th, with members from seven different Lodges in attendance. All who were present helped in one way or another to make this a memorable Degree for all.

West Star's two new Brothers are Dennis Parmeter and Francis Hume. If you happen to see them, give them a Masonic welcome to the Fraternity.

West Star will have a joint Installation of Officers on June 5th, with Attica Lodge in Attica.

Scholarship Fund

We will be having our Chicken Bar-B-Q and Neighborhood Days on June 15th and 16th. We hope to make this a success again this year for the Scholarship Fund.

Lodge jackets

We are taking orders for our Lodge jackets. If anyone is interested, contact a Lodge officer or me. We need at least six to place an order.

Thanks

I thank everyone again for the help on May 19th at our Pancake Breakfast. I hope you all enjoy the Summer. □

Triluminar Lodge No. 543 F. & A.M.



W.: Charles J. Krauss, Master
567-4529

2nd and 4th Wednesdays

Richard Anderson, Sec.
493-2203
Main Street
Pike, N. Y. 14024

By W.: Dennis Quackenbush
Busy month

May started off with us boarding a bus for Grand Lodge in New York City.

Our May 8th meeting included the annual Election of Officers. The Purple Apron Club did the Installation of Officers on May 22nd. This is always an impressive ceremony. We also presented R.: W.: Richard Anderson his Apron as Grand Sword Bearer.

Reminder

The Triluminar Golf Tournament will be held at the Rolling Acres Golf Course on June 1st. This is our sole fundraiser for the Building Fund, which maintains our Lodge. You get an enjoyable day of golf, and also our gratitude for your support. Call Barb at 567-8557 for reservations, and join us for a good time.

Thanks

As my term has ended, I thank everyone who helped me through the year. We are only as good as those who surround us, and I have had the good fortune to be sur-

rounded by caring, devoted people who are always eager to lend a hand whenever called upon, both in our Lodge and in the District. Thank you. □

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



W.: Thomas Scott, Master
493-2123

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.: Thomas Scott

Bowling Champs

Our Lodge was well represented at the Annual State Bowling Tournament. We sent three 5 man teams; Oakland Lodge Team No. 1 took 1st Place. The team consisted of Brother Fred Hance, W.: D.J. Beardsley, W.: Henry Robinson, Randy Bigalow and Brian Weber. The 60 year old Bowling Trophy can be seen at our Lodge. Way to go, guys. We also placed well in doubles and singles. We had 3 or our bowlers place in the top 5 in the State. I am looking forward to it next year in Buffalo.

Ladies Night

At our last communication, we agreed again to have a Ladies Night on June 18th. It will consist of dinner at Hawley's Lumber Yard, followed by an open meeting at the Lodge. All interested parties can call me for reservations at 493-2123.

Thanks

I thank all the Brothers who worked on the Lodge lawn. Though I was unable to attend because of my illness, you all did a fine job. Thanks for all the help.

Annual Installation of Officers

The Purple Apron Club will be doing the dual Installation of Officers with Warsaw Lodge on June 4th at 8:00 p.m. in Warsaw. I hope all Brothers can attend.

Grand time at Grand Lodge

I was able to attend my first Grand Lodge Communication. We, as Free and Accepted Masons as a whole, really have something to be proud of and something to be excited about. We have Grand Line Officers, in my opinion, doing a great job down at Grand Lodge. Our Grand Master, M.: W.: Earle J. Hino, Jr., was a most powerful speaker. It was a joy to listen to him. He said a lot of things that I, being Master of the Lodge, will try and apply when we start up again in September. It was also an honor to hear and see representatives from other Lodges from all over the world.

Thanks

I thank the guys from Triluminar Lodge for showing me a great time. I also thank the guys from Allegany County for their hospitality. To my roommate, whose name I won't mention, if there is ever a snoring contest, I hope you will be sure to enter, because I know you would surely win! Besides that, you are a good roommate and a lot of fun. I am looking forward to next year. □

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



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

1st & 3rd Wednesdays

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

By R.: W.: Robert Nicoll
Olive Branch Lodge No. 39 was established in 1811 and has operated continuously for 185 years. Wars, political unrest, and economic upheavals have not deterred the members who are dedicated to serving their community. We proudly point to our Charter, signed by DeWitt Clinton, Grand Master of Masons of the State of New York. DeWitt Clinton is also famous as Governor of New York State, innovator of "Clinton's Ditch", (the Erie Canal), and the public school system.

Many years of service

On April 15, 1996, members of the Eastern Star received certificates representing their years of "membership in our time honored Sorority and Dedication to the Principles of the Order". Longest serving members are Olive Kernutt, 70 years; Carol Avery, 68 years; Irene Canfield, 68 years; and Ruth Cromwell, 67 years.

On April 17th the Freemasons were recognized for "membership in our time honored Fraternity and Dedication to the Principles of the Craft". Members with the longest tenure are James Graham, 65 years; Kenneth Davis, 60 years; and Lynn Saulsbury, 60 years.

Special pleasure

Jim and Betty Davis were visiting in LeRoy with the Franklin Davis and family. It was a special pleasure for me to present Jim his Certificate of 45 years, and Frank his of 40 years. Betty and I were schoolmates at No. 37 and West High School in Rochester.

New roof

It is apparent that a new roof will be needed for our Masonic Hall by the Summer of 1998. This is an opportunity for all members to contribute as liberally as they can. Those members out of State can be included in this effort.

New identification

Since Grand Lodge in New York City on May 6-7, our building is identified as Masonic Hall, 8 West Main Street, LeRoy, NY. It is the home of Olive Branch Lodge No. 39, F&AM; Olive Branch Chapter No. 509, OES; LeRoy Chapter No. 183, Royal Arch Masons; and NunDaWaGa Council No. 92, Cryptic Masons. There will be a sign on the front of the building to identify Masonic Hall.

Dates to remember

On June 19th the Masonic/Eastern Star Family Bar-B-Q and Picnic will be at Genesee County Park. Call Paul Smith at 343-0823 or me at 768-7922 for reservations.

On August 4th there will be the District Go To Church Sunday at the United Church in Warsaw. Breakfast will be at the Masonic Hall, Warsaw, 8:00 a.m. □

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1st & 3rd Thursdays

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

By W.. Cletis E. Shoup
Congratulations

Brother Clark Rice was honored at a recent meeting for his service over the years to Constellation Lodge. Clark was an Army Combat Photographer in Europe during WWII. DDGM, R..W.. Chester MacRae presented him the Distinguished Service Award. Brother Clark's portraits of our earlier Lodge Masters line our Temple's dining room, and his group pictures of our past line officers grace the stairwell leading to our Lodge room. The DDGM also honored two Brothers, Paul G. Sternberg, MD, and Howard G. Sanford for their 50 years membership in the Fraternity. Congratulations to Clark, Paul and Howard!

New Officers

Our newly elected Officers for the coming year are:

- Master Paul L. Stickley
- SW W.. John F. Cook
- JW Dale E. Cooley
- Treas. W.. John R. Miller
- Sec. R..W.. Charles Myers
- Chap. W.. Cletis Shoup
- SD W.. John G. Butler
- JD W.. William H. Barrett
- Organist John R. Barnard
- Tiler Leo D. Milhollen

Installation by the Purple Apron Club will be made on June 6, 1996 during our regular stated communication.

Breakfast

Constellation Lodge's Annual Father's Day Breakfast in Letchworth State Park will be held early Sunday morning, June 16th. Brothers, treat your wives, sons, daughters, grandchildren and friends to a delicious breakfast in a delightful setting.

Thanks for the support

Just a short time ago I was the incoming Master; now, so quickly it seems, I find myself the outgoing Master. The goals set were not that difficult, were they, Brothers? When the Temple's namestone is set in place on our Temple's lawn, all our planned projects will have been achieved. I thank all of you for your support. Kudos for all of you!

Sympathy


Members of Constellation Lodge offer condolences to Brother Howard Sanford and children on the loss of Esther D. Sanford, wife and mother. □

M..W.. Calvin G. Bond to Speak at 2nd Annual Eagle Scout Table Lodge

By D. Scott Seltzer

At the encouragement of the Grand Lodge Officers and the Masters and Wardens Association, a team has been formed to plan and execute the 2nd Annual Monroe Districts Table Lodge to benefit Eagle Scouts of the Otetiana Council, B.S.A.

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



W.. Norman Steinbaugh,
Master
591-2073

1st and 3rd Wednesday
(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
Welcome

We welcome our newly raised Brother, Richard Budmark, Jr., and Brothers Dennis Parmeter and Francis Hume from West Star Lodge, who all received the 3rd Degree at Attica Lodge on April 27th. There were members of seven different Lodges present who helped with the Degree. Please welcome these new Brothers the next time you see them.

Service Award

Attica Lodge received the Department of Veterans Affairs Outstanding Service Award at a Volunteer Award Ceremony in Batavia on April 26th. This award is in recognition of Attica Lodge's participation in the Masonic VA Hospital Visitation Program and in appreciation of the Attica Brothers who volunteer. Congratulations to R..W.. Sheldon Moden, who received a Voluntary Service Award for 5,000 hours service time.

Grand Lodge

We traveled to New York City again this year on the Niagara/Orleans District "Grand Lodge Bus". As usual, the Niagara/Orleans hospitality was outstanding and made for an enjoyable trip. It was an honor to receive the Howard Potts Award for the 2nd year in a row for perfect attendance of Lodge Officers at the Grand Lecturer's Convention.

This is the first time a Lodge in the Genesee/Wyoming District has received this Award two years in a row. My thanks to the Attica Lodge Officers for their commitment to make this possible.

Installation

The newly Elected and Appointed Officers of Attica and West Star Lodges will be installed by the Purple Apron Club at a Public Installation on June 5th at 8:00 p.m. at Attica Lodge. A reception will follow. Please plan on attending and bring your non-Masonic friends.

Thanks

My thanks to everyone who worked, made donations and/or attended Attica Lodge's Spring fundraisers and 3rd Degree. Many hands make light work. Your participation is greatly appreciated and made these events successful. □

Preliminary plans have been set. The date, Friday, October 25th. The place, Damascus Temple in Webster. Guest speaker, the M..W.. Calvin G. Bond, Past Grand Master and current Grand Lecturer.

Dress will be sport coat and tie. The menu, time and cost information will be forthcoming. If anyone is interested in assisting with this project you are welcome to join our team. For information please call Don Darrohn at 225-1782 or me at 473-3515. □

Western Star Chapter No. 35 R.A.M.

1st & 3rd Thursdays

V..E.. Stephen A. Licht, HP
343-1517
Franklin P. Lund, Sec.
343-3630

200 E. Main Street
Batavia, NY 14020

By Stephen Licht, EHP
Greetings, Companions

Since the beginning of this year we have been overshadowed by the responsibilities of the management and sale of the Masonic Temple. No less than the future of York Rite Masonry in Batavia was dependent upon the resolution of our dilemma. It now appears all of the details have been addressed and the Tabernacle of Western Star will remain secure in Batavia for some time to come.

Picnic time

I realize that our weekends in the Summer are never enough for all of the picnics and other warm weather events that we anxiously await all through the endless Winter months. It is with this thought in mind that rather than have a separate picnic, we unite with the efforts of Batavia Lodge and the Master (also our Junior PHP), to make this year's picnic an event to remember! As almost every Companion is also a member of Batavia Lodge, the picnic date and location will be made in Lodge as well as in their news column.

Fundraising

E.. Companion Brade has undertaken a major fundraising venture to improve our fiscal picture. I hope everyone will support his efforts as he is one of our tireless workers in the quarry.

Recommendation

E.. Companion Horace Wilder has been recommended as a Grand Representative to our Grand High Priest and we are awaiting his decision. E.. Wilder is retired and willing to travel to sister jurisdictions. The rumor I heard was that there may be a vacant appointment to either Libya or Outer Mongolia in store for someone!!

Good reading

Over the Winter I have been reading several very interesting books that may be of interest to others in the Royal Craft. I enjoyed most especially the rather thick book, "The Sign and the Seal", by Graham Hancock; an insight into the history of the Ark of the Covenant and one man's efforts to verify its existence to the present time.

Convocation

Our last scheduled convocation before the Summer recess will be on June 6th. We will finalize plans for a Fall Cheese Sale to benefit the Royal Arch Scholarship Fund.

Summer activities

June 9th is St. John's Day Breakfast and Church Service. (See Batavia Lodge news).

The District Picnic at Warsaw will be August 28th and 29th. (See DDGHP news).

On September 7th is the Outdoor Mark Master Degree at Lake Osco. (See HP).

Companions, have a good Summer and be prepared, Degree work awaits us this Fall. □

Nun-Da-Wa-Ga Council No. 92

4th Monday

Kenneth E. Kohlhagen
Ill.. Master
591-9598


I.. Ruell R. Lovett
Recorder
494-2546

West Main Street
LeRoy, NY 14482

By I.. Kenneth E. Kohlhagen
The Annual Assembly of the Council, with the Election and Installation of Officers, was held May 13th. The new Officers are as follows:
Ill. Mast. Kenneth E. Kohlhagen
Dep. Master Keith C. Denton
Prin. Cond. Works

- Treas. Vernon G. Rupert
- Recorder Layton Vogel
- Chaplain Ruell R. Lovett
- Capt. Guard John S. Stockholm
- Cond. Council Daniel N. Evans
- Steward Horace Wilder
- Robert A. Forbes

The Annual Grand Assembly will be held in Ithaca on August 16, 17, and 18 and the next meeting of this Council will be September 23rd. In the next issue of the Times, I hope to have a tentative program lined up for our Fall meetings. Meanwhile, enjoy good health and a restful Summer. □



James A. Hard/Wayne Charter Post No. 12

Leon VanHuben, Commander
647-1391
William Golding, Adjutant
266-2384

By Leon VanHuben, Comm.

The Installation and Dinner at the East Rochester Masonic Temple was well attended, with 36 present. Thanks to Flora Arthur and the Fidelity Triangle girls for a superb job. Thanks, also, to Brother Jim Spencer and R..W.. Charles Spiegel, Jr., for the great job on Installation.

My apologies to the Past Commanders for not introducing them.

Summer meetings


The next Post meeting will be on June 18th at Fame Temple. You will receive a notice concerning the time and dinner menu.

In July we will be hosting a Ward Picnic at the Canandaigua VA Hospital.

The Post Picnic is at Brother Don McDill's cottage on August 18th. All will be contacted about all events.

Have a good Summer. □

1st Monroe District FAIRPORT Lodge No. 476



W.. David Mawhiney,
Master
H 377-0812

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 William G. Cobb

Thanks, Bob

We thank W.. Bob Slominski for his great job as Master this past year. We will recognize Bob at the June 10th meeting with his Past Master's Apron and Pin.

The report of the Long Range Planning Committee will be discussed, with possible implementation.

Canal Days

Fairport's Canal Days have been expanded to include Friday thru Sunday, May 31st-June 2nd. Brother Tommie Richenderfer, JW, needs everyone's support to make our food stand a success. He can be reached at 377-7782. It is great fellowship.

Little League Night

The Lodge will open at 7:00 p.m. on June 24th. Sport team shirts will be the uniform of the day. About 7:30 p.m. we will host the Masonic Little League Team. Following introductions and review of the season, refreshments will be served.

Sickness and distress

Please contact the Master or Secretary if there is any sickness or other distress. We would like to keep the Lodge family informed and possibly help where needed.

Summer activities

The "road cleaners" will be out picking up rubbish along Route 250.

The Red Cross Blood Drive will be hosted in August. Volunteers to make calls to potential donors will be needed. At this point call the Master if you can help.

A joint Family Picnic will be hosted by the Lodge and Fairport Eastern Star. It will be held on Sunday, July 20th, at the cottage of R..W.. Chick and Gean Becker. Details will be in the mail. Have a great Summer. □

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392-6486

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Tuesdays
7:30 P.M.

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

By W.: David G. Upham, Sr.
Brethren

What a wonderful night! The Lodge room was almost full, the Officers were all in their finery, the candidates were duly and truly prepared and the Grand Master, Grand Marshal, Senior Grand Deacon, Grand Standard Bearer, Grand Chaplain, District Deputies and the Assistant Grand Lecturer were all there. It was, for me, a dream come true. The Grand Master came to visit during my turn in the East, the Ritual was perfect and the room was filled with members of my Lodge and visitors. The Ritual!! Not a word, syllable, letter or character was out of place. The 3rd Degree was better than I have ever seen it, but no better than I have come to expect from all of you, Brethren. This, to me, was a perfect night, one which will live in memory for the rest of my life.

To make the night even more perfect for me, I was able to share the experience with my Dad, R.: W.: Harry E. Upham, visiting from my Mother Lodge, Northern Constellation Lodge No. 291 in Malone, NY. I tried three separate times to catch him off guard by handing him parts in the Degree that he hadn't planned on or known was coming, and he not only rose to the occasion, his Ritual was astounding! I give up! You're the greatest, Dad!

Ox Roast

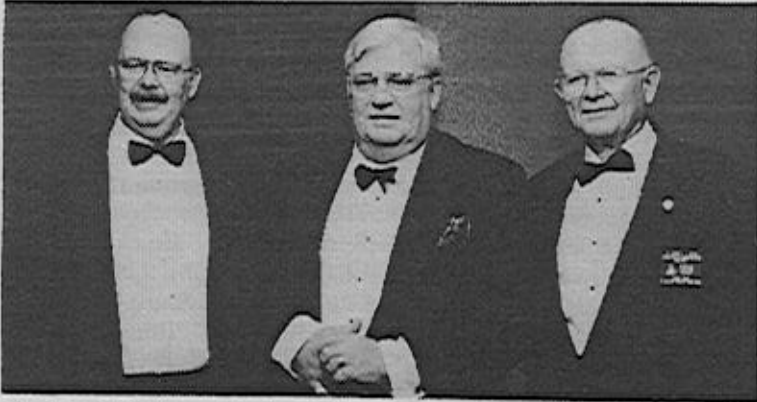
What a great night! The dining room was filled to capacity twice and another table and a half filled again. We served approximately 360 people, one of the best Ox Roast Dinners we have had in our 31 year career. Many of the Brothers turned out to help prepare, cook, serve and clean up. When it was all over, we were all tired, but we were also happy with the success of the evening. Unfortunately, we had a real crunch of people just before 7:00 p.m., when Brother Dale Polmateer and I (who were supposed to be upstairs attending the Masters and Wardens meeting) ended up doing a second shift in the dining room. But, don't view that as a complaint, Brethren. We were happy to be pressed into service in that manner. To make the evening more complete, one of the well fed gentlemen asked for a petition.

Grand Lodge

What a super night! All the Masters and Grand Officers in their tuxes gathering to break

Clio Lodge Presents Two DeWitt Clinton Awards

W.: Dave Upham, Master of Clio Lodge and Charles Tucker, Secretary, with Pat Brotz (left) and Ann Doan, DeWitt Clinton Award Recipients.



W.: David Upham, Master of Clio Lodge (left) and his father, R.: W.: Harry E. Upham of Malone, NY, flanking the Grand Master, M.: W.: Earle J. Hino, Jr., at a recent 3rd Degree at Clio Lodge.

bread. Grand Lodge is always an experience. I will save most of this for the report I will present at our June meeting, but I did get a 45 minute personal meeting with the Grand Master who reiterated how proud I must be of my Officers, and I am. I also met and talked with the Grand Master of Russia, the first Russian Grand Master ever to visit a Grand Lodge of the US. I never would have believed that I would get to sit in Lodge with an active Russian Mason! The world is certainly shrinking, and Masonry is alive and well in all of her corners!

Ranks

What a stupendous night! After a year behind the mast, the night most Masters long for is the "outstallation" and I guess I am no different. I am ready for a rest from the executive branch of the Lodge. I set some goals a year ago and most of them have at least been recognized, if not realized (see last month's article). I had the extreme pleasure to work with the greatest group of friends and Brothers anyone could ask for. I have enjoyed to the fullest every Masonic moment I have had. Even more, it was the most fun I have had in Masonry for years. Even more than that, three of my personal friends became Masons and three more new Masons became my personal friends. I have received more than I have given and I have grown in Masonry on a daily basis. Yes, what more is there for which a Master could ask? Well, there is one thing and, true to form, you have provided it to me, the opportunity to install my successor, a true friend and Brother and fully qualified Master and leader in the Craft. Tom, welcome to the East! I look forward to your year as much as I did mine.

To each and everyone of you, I thank you, I salute you, and I love you. Now, from the ranks I came, to the ranks I return.

DeWitt Clinton Awards

On April 21st, as a part of the Worship Service at Hilton Baptist Church, Officers and Brethren of Clio Lodge No. 779 assisted W.: David G. Upham, Sr., and Secretary, Charles Tucker, DSA, in presenting the DeWitt Clinton Award to Ann Doan and Pat Brotz. These two distinguished members of the congregation have for many years selflessly given of themselves in service to those of their community who are in need by supplying food, clothing, Christian love and a spark of hope in their personal mission and in the name of Hilton Baptist Church. Moreover, they have quietly completed this work of charity behind the scenes, avoiding publicity and eschewing any desire for recognition or reward. Their loving, caring attitude reflects in other areas of their lives as well, and their indomitable spirit has inspired others in the church to support the many charitable missions. It is precisely this kind of spirit that Masonry calls upon each of us to lay as the cornerstone of our personal lives and, for this reason, through the presentation of the DeWitt Clinton Award to these two distinguished members of the Hilton Community, Clio Lodge celebrates their lives and service to others.

From the Secretary

By Charles Tucker, DSA

The visit from the Grand Master and his Staff was a great honor bestowed upon our Lodge. We were hoping for more Brothers to attend, but we did end up with the sidelines full.

The Degree was letter perfect; even I got through without messing up. W.: Dave Upham was impressive on conferring the Degree.

It was nice to have two of our Brothers in the Degree Fest. They were SW, Sean Noonan and Marshal, Harry DeHollander.

Elective Officers

The Nominating Committee has proposed the following slate of Officers for 1996-1997: Master, Thomas Tanner, III; SW,

Dale Polmateer; JW, Sean Noonan; Secretary, Charles A. Tucker, DSA; Treasurer, Dave Goodrich and 3 yr. Trustee, W.: Dave Upham.

Happy Birthday

The birthday Brothers for June are: Don Littlefield, William Schmitt, Thomas Burger, Don Wright, Harry Clapper, Carl Doel, Robert Hulek and Myron Waterman.

July: Dave Pestel, Stan Durbin, Norman Wright, John Schultz and Stu Brickman.

August: Dick Barnes, Tom Tanner, Doug Trembeth, Larry Justice, Roy Steinbronn, Jr., Robert Corbitt, Ralph Massey and Gordon Smith.

Dues check

Brothers, please take a moment to look at your dues card and see if it has 1996 on it. If it doesn't, please send in your dues.

40 years

On May 21st the following Brothers received their 40 Year Certificates: Charles L. Worboys, John Klock, Denny Wright, Terry Traugh, Howard Thomas, and Les Merritt.

Spaghetti Dinner

The next Spaghetti Dinner will be on September 24th.

Sickness

Brother Les Merritt has been in the hospital.

Lodge will resume labor on September 17th.

Have a good Summer. ☐



W.: Thomas C. Foote, Master

458-2862

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.: Thomas C. Foote

Thank you

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you for the ensuing year. It will take all of our combined efforts to reach our common goals. What are these goals?

Goals

Our goals are fellowship, increased interest, and membership. Enhanced fellowship through interesting programs and events should increase the interest of our Brethren and entice others to join our Lodge.

Coming events

The following events are designed to create opportunities for you to ask a friend, and his family, to participate in our special kind of fellowship:

Canal boat cruise, June 14. Contact Bob Franzen.

Summer picnic, July 20. Contact Bob Crystal.

Seabreeze outing, August 10. Contact Tom Foote.

Steak Roast, August 24. Contact Bob Green.

Theater night, TBA. Contact Dick Shellman.

Please take advantage of these events and participate as fully as possible. If you have additional ideas for fellowship or are interested in coordinating an activity, please contact me. With your help we can make this year a great Masonic experience, full of wonderful memories. ☐



W.: Richard

Snyder

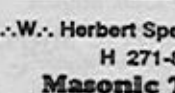
H 342-2419

W 586-4624

2nd

Tuesday

7:30 P.M.



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

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

By W.: Richard Snyder

June

The June 11th meeting is an Open Communication for the purpose of installing Lodge Officers for 1996 and recognizing Brothers for their long years of service to our Craft.

The evening will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the 3rd Floor Dining Room with hors d'oeuvres and beverages suitable for the occasion. A dinner will be served about 6:30 p.m. which will include meat trays, vegetables, salad bar and cold salads. The cost per person is \$5.00. Reservations may be made to Herb Spencer, 271-8577 or me at 342-2419.

Installation

Following dinner we will adjourn to the Lodge for the Installation of Officers and the presentation of Service Awards and Pins to our many Brothers who have reached milestones on their Masonic journey.

Officers

The elected Officers this year are:

Master	Richard Snyder
Senior Warden	Michael Batz
Junior Warden	Glenn Stahl
Treasurer	Howard Belt
Secretary	Herbert Spencer
Trustees	Robert Anderson II
	Irving Spalty
TCC Rep.	Howard Pigage
Alternate Rep.	Harold Bollotin

I express my gratitude to each of these Officers for their continued Brotherly support and for their generous service to the Valley/Simes Lodge. The future of Valley/Simes would not look so bright without them.

Strawberry Festival

After the Installation, and a few short acknowledgements, we will adjourn to the Dining Room to share in each other's company and enjoy a Strawberry Festival with all the trimmings suitable to the occasion.

Brothers, as Master of your Lodge, I look forward to your sharing with me, and your line, this special evening. This is an excellent opportunity to invite your family and friends.

Looking ahead

All Officers will meet in the ante room of Cathedral Hall on June 4th. Fellowcraft will be at my home on June 18th. Our Family Picnic will be held at Bill and Sharon Baldwin's on July 6th and our Fellowcraft Day at Fingerlakes Race Track will be on August 17th. ☐

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Mondays
7:30 P.M.

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

By W. Tom Hueston

Passing of the torch

The time has come once again for the changing of the guard. As this is my last article as Master, I have many people to thank for helping and supporting me this year, too many to name individually. I thank everyone, especially my wife, Gail, who has been by my side through thick and thin, through all those evenings out and phone calls.

More thanks

Thanks to my advisor, R. W. Charles Spiegel, Jr., for the phone calls and pre-meetings before taking office to help make sure things were ready for the year. Thanks to my officers and committee members for jobs well done, the Past Masters who took part and put on a memorable Degree, and all my Brothers for being at the meetings and events. All of you combined have helped make this year very special and remarkable, the memory of which I shall always carry with me.

New Master

It gives me great pleasure to introduce to you our newly elected Master for the ensuing year. You have read his writings every month in the News and Views section. Welcome to the chair, Brother Don Bell.

New Brothers

Since our newest Brothers were raised after the last issue of the *Masonic Times* went to press, we would like to welcome them at this time. Welcome to Osama A. Shomoli and Mohammad Adal Suleiman. Make sure you greet them when you see them in Lodge. You won't meet two more enthusiastic Masons.

New Octogenarians

You can say Happy Birthday to R. W. Brother Fred Nielsen (80 in May) and his wife Bernice (80 in June). Congratulations Fred and Bernice!

Ladies Night

Thanks to JW Frank Briffa for his work on our Ladies Night. We all had a great time.

June events

June 10th, the last meeting before Summer recess, is the Installation of Officers and Strawberry Shortcake will be served following the meeting.

Petitions

We are always looking for new members. Introduce a friend to Masonry.

News and Views

By Don Bell

Sickness and distress

We hear that Brother Elbert Outermans has recovered from a fall he had in November in which he suffered a broken left arm. He is also quite lame from Rheumatoid Arthritis. Brother Joseph Arbia received a broken collarbone in an auto accident in De-

ember, but is back to work. R. W. Robert Zabel has had eye surgery. We extend our condolences to the family of Brother Robert Withee who passed to the Grand Lodge above on April 18th.

Brothers about

W. Ron Bertie, Grand Commander, Knights Templar of the State of New York, has traveled over 8,000 miles so far this year visiting Lodges, Royal Arch Chapters, and Knights Templar Commanderies. He will be visiting the Grand Lodge of England in 1996 and will receive the Order of the Purple Cross of the York Rite (the equivalent of the 33° in Scottish Rite) in Chicago in July.

Brother Colin King will be completing college, SUNY Institute of Technology, in May. Congratulations to him.

Brother E. Robertson North and his wife, Pat, are doing well. He is the new Senior Deputy Grand Tall Cedar, where he is honored to serve. Pat is in her last year as President of the New York Fireman's Association Ladies Auxiliary. They get to meet many people and make lots of new friends. He was recently reappointed to the Firefighter of the Year Award Committee and will aid in making the presentation in this year.

Summer activities

July 4th is the date of the Penfield Parade. We will meet at 1:00 p.m. at the high school. Our Fellowcraft Steak Roast will be on August 10th at Damascus Temple on Bay Road.

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

You are cordially and fraternally invited to attend the Annual Installation of Officers of Flower City Lodge, to be held on Thursday, June 13, 1996, at 7:30 p.m., in Ionic Hall, 3rd floor of the Downtown Masonic Temple, 875 Main Street East.

The Installation will be open to the public, and you are encouraged to bring your lady and non-Masonic friends. The evening will begin with a Chicken Dinner at 6:30 p.m. and the price is \$7.50. Reservations are required and should be made by calling Brother Doug Higgins at 475-9018 or Brother Bill Nardone at 458-7512 no later than June 6th. I will have the honor of installing my successor, Brother Doug Higgins as Worshipful Master, and I have assembled a group of distinguished Past Masters of the Lodge to assist in the Installation.

We will close the evening with a reception for all guests immediately following the Installation. Please show your support for your Lodge, and help us start the year right. I look forward to greeting each of you personally.

Reminder

Do not forget our Annual Fellowcraft Club Steak Roast on June 6th. Make your reservations now!

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 Brother Donald Darrohn, Master Elect

Thank you!

I am truly appreciative of the honor of serving as Master for the coming year. I very much look forward to working with our newly elected and appointed Officers to help Etolian Lodge No. 479 be recognized as an asset in the community and one of the leading Lodges in the Monroes.

Installation

A Public Installation will be held June 9th, 2:00 p.m., at the Lodge. Refreshments and light goodies will follow the Ceremonies. The Installation Team includes: R. W. F. J. McCullough, Master; R. W. Eugene Brendel, Marshal; W. Martin Michaels, Chaplain; and W. Maurice Darrohn (my father), Master's Obligation. My sincere thank you to all of them for their support and guidance.

Focus

Our focus for the next year will be on Masonry. I know, personally, I've only begun to scratch the surface of the information that is available on the subject. What light I have received makes me hunger for more, as well as a desire to share and convey the same to others. Our Trestleboard will include several programs to share Masonic Light and whenever possible, Masonic tidbits will be offered.

Goals

1. First and foremost is to have fun!
2. Have the Traveling Gavel at Etolian more than at any other Lodge next year.
3. Involve our widows in as many activities as possible. To that end, we are establishing a Widows' Contact Committee.
4. Long Range Planning. We started on this effort this year, we need to complete the task.
5. Bring in at least six new Brothers.

Mark your calendar

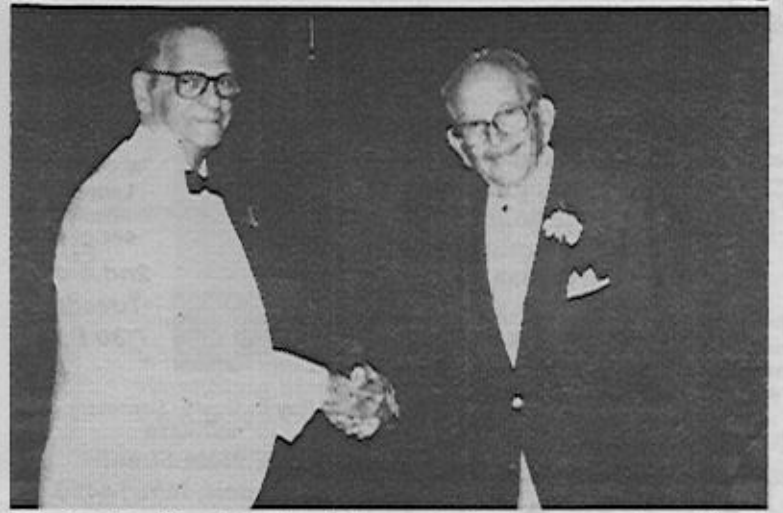
Awards Night is on June 10th. Come out for the special presentations. What are they? Come out to find out!

Our Annual Family Picnic will be held at Pineway Ponds Park Shelter (West end of the Park) on June 17th at 6:00 p.m. Bring a dish to pass and your own table service. Hots and hamburgers will be provided.

On August 17th we are planning an evening at the ballpark to see the Red Wings play one of their last games at Silver Stadium. The price is right, \$3.00 for general admission. Thank you, Brother Randy Bloechl, for handling the details. Call him at 594-0891 and tell him you will be there.

Changes

The change in the By Laws was passed at the May 13th meeting. This means that Lodge dues will increase from \$20.00 to \$30.50,



W. Lee Hamilton, Master of Clearwater Lodge, presenting a 70 year Service Pin and Certificate to Brother Lester C. Merz on March 26, 1996. Brother Merz was raised in 1926. He was a local Funeral Director and served as Mayor of Spencerport for twenty-three years. He retired to Florida in 1975 and is ninety-one health years young.

effective in January, 1997. This does not include the Grand Lodge assessment.

Condolences

We send our condolences to the family of W. Dale E. Rankin on his passing to the Grand Lodge Above on May 3, 1996. A Masonic Service may be scheduled for June.

Summer

It is almost here. Have a great one!

Tidbits

"Never leave that 'til tomorrow which you can do today." "It is hard for an empty sack to stand upright." (Brother Franklin)

WEBSTER Lodge No. 538



W. William J. Edwards,
Master
872-3993

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

Henry Libera, Sec.
872-5427

30 ORCHARD ST.
WEBSTER, N.Y. 14580

By W. Paul F. Soltzick

Brothers

Well, the time has arrived and it is time to pass the gavel to our next Master. I sincerely have had a marvelous year. No where except in Webster Lodge could I have had such an enjoyable time. There were some difficult times, but the good times far outweighed the bad. I must thank all those who gave their support and help. I promised myself I would not name names, so I won't. You know who you are. You are the ones who make our Lodge special. The trip to Grand Lodge was "GRAND". There were too many things to see in such a short time, but I did my best. Thank you all for a fine year from the bottom of my heart.

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Join us

By W. William J. Edwards
Thank you for the opportunity to serve as Master of Webster Lodge No. 538. I really appreciate your support. There are some good programs planned for June. Come on out and participate. It will be great to see you before we break for the Summer.

Bring-a-Friend and Family Night

On Thursday, June 6th, we will be holding a Bring-a-Friend and Family Night. Please contact Mike Polshuk for reservations at 265-3942. The Dinner is Stuffed Pork Chops, served by Webster Chapter OES at \$7.00 per person. Guests and their wives will eat free. The dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. and the program starts at 7:30 p.m. This is a great opportunity for your friends and family to learn more about Masonry. Child care will be provided during the program.

Spaghetti Dinner

The monthly Spaghetti Dinner will be held on June 7th. This is the last Spaghetti Dinner before the Summer break. Come on out and get a great meal for \$5.00. The dinners will start up again in October. This is a great fundraiser for the Lodge and Webster Chapter, OES. Each month there are over 100 satisfied customers.

Annual Fellowcraft Meeting

The Fellowcraft Club will be holding their Annual Meeting on Thursday, June 13th. There will be a "succulent" Steak Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Call Vance Collom at 223-3113 for reservations (a reservation made is a reservation paid). The cost is approximately \$6.00. At 7:30 p.m. the whistle will blow for the "railroad" Election of Officers.

Family Picnic

Webster Lodge Family Picnic is planned for Thursday, June 20th, rain or shine. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. The Lodge

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will provide hots and hamburgers for a small charge. Children will eat free. Please bring a dinner dish to pass for the Potluck Picnic. If you wish to participate, a dessert contest is planned, so bring your best dessert. Some activities are planned for the kids, so let's make this a "family" picnic. Please call reservations by Monday, June 17th to Bill Edwards at 872-3993.

Spaghetti Dinner

Friday,

June 7th

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

Webster Lodge

30 Orchard Street
Webster, NY

Donation
Adults \$5.00
Children \$2.50

Summer activities

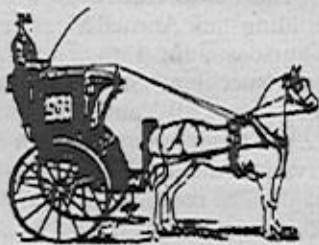
The usual hot dog stands and Red Cross Community Blood Drive are planned for the Summer. More details will follow in the Lodge newsletter.

I am really excited about being Master of Webster Lodge! My job as Master is to ensure that Masonry lives in Webster Lodge. With your help and PARTICIPATION, we can have a great year! If you have not been to Lodge lately, stop by. You might be surprised and there is nothing like seeing old friends. To those who are out of state, drop a letter to the Secretary. We would like to hear from you. To all members of Webster Lodge and our widows, if I can do anything to help, do not hesitate to call or write.

See you June 6th. □

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MONROE

Lodge No. 173



W.: Neil E.
Laundry,
Master
964-2135
2nd & 4th
Tuesday
7:30 P.M.

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

By W.: Neil E. Laundry

It seems strange to say, "It's almost June and a new year is just beginning," but, "It's almost June and a new year is..." Well, you get the idea!

One thing that definitely indicates a new year is a change in the types of events scheduled for the '96/'97 trestleboard. As mentioned in the last newsletter, we've decided to highlight family involvement and public awareness as primary goals in the upcoming year. In order to get off to a good start with our programs, the regularly scheduled communication on June 11th will be a family picnic with a Pot Luck Dinner and games for the kids. The festivities will begin at 6:30 p.m. to allow for early bedtimes for the little kids (and some of the grandpas).

In keeping with the family theme, the first meeting in the Fall will be a family night featuring cartoons and create your own sundaes. The evening will be open to friends and their families with the intention of interesting some of these guests in our great Fraternity.

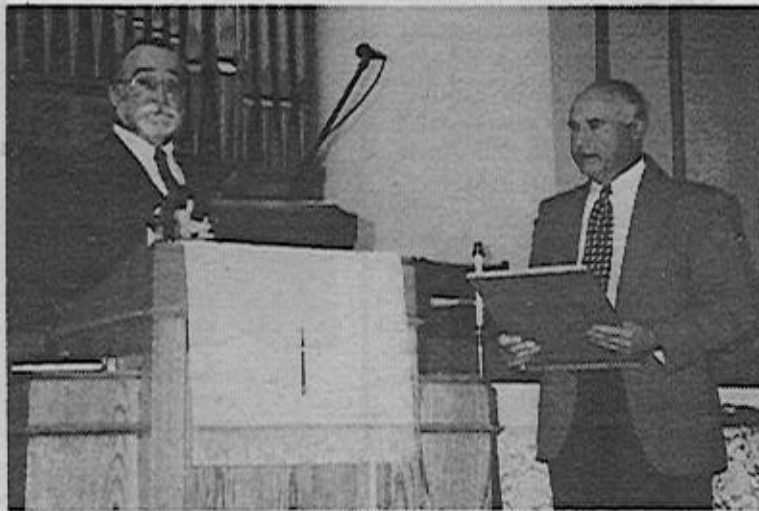
For any of the Brothers who consider this approach too divergent from our past practice, I simply ask you to look back not too many years to that time when we met once a month and regularly scheduled ladies nights, family picnics, etc. When one does that, it may appear that we're getting back to some of the important elements of Masonic family building that were part of our regular program, and that, somehow, we've lost sight of during recent years.

Congratulations

As long as I'm asking you to look backward a bit, we must cover a most important event that took place back in April. (Our Editor hates it when we talk about "old news", so let's do it!) Our Spring Aprons and Awards Ceremony was held on April 27th at the Brockport UMC, Main Street, Brockport. The highlight of the evening was the presentation of the Dedicated Service Award to Brother Melvin W. Mosher for his years of service to the Lodge through the Brotherhood Fund, Bike Rodeo, Steward's Staff, and his unselfish devotion of time and energy to visiting and communicating with many of our older or physically distressed Brothers. Brother Mosher has always been one to make sure that other Brothers get due recognition for their contributions, but has always cut and run at any mention of his own sacrifices. Congratulations, Brother Mosher, on a recognition long overdue. (By the way, Mel really did teach my Sunday School Class, no matter what he says.)

Brotherly love

Another prestigious award in the form of the Gen. Douglas MacArthur Youth Award was



W.: Neil Laundry and General Douglas MacArthur Youth Award Recipient, Mr. Frank Balling, Administrator in the Brockport Central School System.



SK Keith Denton, in full Templar uniform, escorting DSA Recipient, Brother Melvin W. Mosher to the dais.



Brother Melvin W. Mosher Recipient of the Dedicated Service Award.

presented to Mr. Frank Balling, an administrator in the Brockport Central Schools. Frank was nominated for this award by SW Keith Denton. Brother Denton cited Frank's giving nature in involving students, parents, teachers, and administrators in a loving shared community of learners. Mr. Balling's long time friend, Brother Wilson Buddle, gave a lively overview of Frank's career and presented the framed Certificate. Balling was also presented with a bronze trowel to symbolize that trait that he shares with Freemasons of spreading the bonding cement of Brotherly love.

Many years of dedication

Several Service Awards were also announced, including: W.: Richard A. Petrolino, 25 years; Louie D. Smith, 50 years; Russell S. Wallin, 50 years; Earl J. Hinder, Life Membership, and W.: James Willings, Jr., Life Membership.

Congratulated on our service "Honor Roster" were: Charles F. Marshall, 40 years; W.: Roy Maxwell, 45 years; John R. Prince, 45 years; W.: Gerald Werner, 45 years; Ralph Young, 45 years; Richard W. Sweeting, 52 years; William Windle, Jr., 53 years; Francis Comstock, 55 years; Frank J. Simes, 55 years; W.: John Klump, 56 years; W.: Wilbur M. McCormick, 56 years; W.: Wilbur M. McCormick, 56 years, (that's not an error, "Buck", it's to make up for missing you on Awards Night); Lloyd Butterfield, 57 years + 8; Herman Salitan, 58 years; John French, 59 years; Jack A. Low, 61 years and Earl L. McCauley, 63 years. It is an honor and a pleasure as Worshipful Master of Monroe Lodge No. 173 to speak on behalf of the Lodge to recognize the accomplishments of these Brothers and friends.

Best wishes

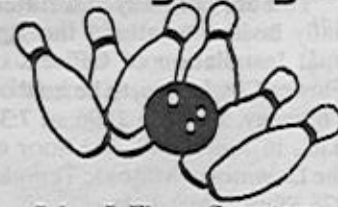
Let me also speak for the Lodge in sending our best wishes to several ailing or recuperating Brothers, including R.: W.: Jim Branigan; Bob Goheen, El Lawrence and W.: Jim Wilkins, Jr. If any Brother is aware of any sickness or distress, or in need of

our aid or sympathy, please contact me or W.: Roy Goold, Sr.

When you next hear from me, I hope to be welcoming you back for my 2nd year as Master of Monroe No. 173. We've needed to make a couple of adjustments in the Line for 1996/1997 and, in order to provide sufficient preparation time for our young line of elected Officers, the Lodge has seen fit to put up with me for another go-round. So for now, have a relaxing and safe Summer, hit 'em long and straight, and we'll see you in September.

Til then, may God hold you in the palm of His hand. □

Masonic Gothic Bowling League



John J. Flynn, Secretary
227-6106

Congratulations to WTP for winning their three-game roll-off with Hubbard to clinch the 1995-96 Masonic Gothic League Championship. Hubbard won the 1st game, but WTP came back to win the 2nd and 3rd games and total. They were led by John Harris (223) and Dave Mawhiney (207) in the 2nd game and Chuck Gillens (230) in the finale.

Final 1995-96 standings

WTP Graphics	132-108
Hubbard	132-108
Maiden Lanes	131-109
Northfield	120-120
Quadrants	114-126
Mauls	113-127
Alley Gators	113-127
Underachievers	105-135

High Average - Don Weis, 199
High Scratch Series - Don Weis, 749

High Handicap Series - John Flynn, 793

High Game - Richard Flanagan, 300 scratch; 314 handicap

Most Improved Bowler - Mark Noto, +22 pins
High Team Handicap Series - Northfield, 2599
High Team Scratch Series - WTP Graphics, 2301
High Team Handicap Game - Alley Gators, 941
High Team Scratch Game - Maiden Lanes, 838

We are looking for two teams of four bowlers to bring our league back to ten teams. We bowl at Maiden Lanes on Wednesday night at 8:45 p.m. The league is open to both Masons and non-Masons.

This is a good opportunity for you to introduce your non-Mason friends to other Masons and possibly gain new members. Please contact me at the above telephone number if you are interested in joining us next season.

I thank all the Masonic Bowling League bowlers for their cooperation again this season. I especially thank my fellow league officers for their help - President, Jack Thibaut, and Vice President, Gerry Duell. It takes more than a Secretary to make a bowling league run smoothly and for it to be enjoyable for everyone. □

Brother Yitzhak Rabin 1922-1995

By Ron Berger, MPS

The late Prime Minister and Defense Secretary of Israel and 1994 Nobel Peace Prize laureate, formerly a Freedom Fighter, Commander in Chief of the Israel Defense Forces and Ambassador to the United States, was a Freemason! In 1968, just before he assumed his office in Washington, D.C., Yitzhak Rabin was made a Mason on sight by the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the State of Israel at the time, the late M.W. Brother Shalom Kassin.

For quite a few years I was aware of the following story:

In order to assist the hero of the Six Days War in establishing friendly relationships abroad, Yitzhak Rabin was invited to the Grand Lodge and during a special communication held by the G.M. and some of his Senior Officers he was invested with the three Degrees of Craft Freemasonry in the course of one evening. Shortly after that Brother Rabin went to the U.S., never becoming a member of any private Lodge and never becoming an active member of the Craft.

I first heard this story a decade ago from the late R.: W.: Brother Zvi Neustein who told me that he participated in that communication and served as the Junior Deacon. Unfortunately, no one in the Grand Lodge of the State of Israel was ever willing to confirm or deny the story officially, so that we can only rely on hearsay and clues.

Further collaboration of the story was established in 1992: Several members of the Labour (Rabin's) Party were initiated in my Mother Lodge, RASHBI No. 8. During the last elections' campaign they approached Brother Rabin with questions regarding the rumor. He confirmed that information and also expressed some interest in the state of the Craft in Israel.

It is interesting to note that in all the obituary notices in Grand Lodge publications the deceased is called Mr. Rabin. All except one, that is: The speech of the Grand Master, M.: W.: Brother Ephraim Fuchs, on the grave of

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Yitzhak Rabin

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Brother Rabin was published in the Grand Lodge newsletter, AlHa'Peles No. 9 (December 1995). In it he says: "the terrible murder of the Prime Minister of Israel our Brother the late Yitzhak Rabin". A slip of the tongue?

The death of Brother Yitzhak Rabin is a great loss to the country and to all those who uphold the principles of Freemasonry and Democracy. One can only wonder whether the personal friendship between Prim Minister Rabin, President Clinton (a Member of DeMolay in his youth), King Hussein of Jordan (Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Jordan) and Prince Hassan (Grand Master) was in any way facilitated by Rabin's Masonic involvement. (Courtesy, Philatethes February, 1996, MNN)

**New York State Mason's Golf Association
44th Annual Golf Tournament
Sept. 6, 7, 8, 1996**

By Tim MacDonald

This year's Golf Tournament will be held in Perry, New York and will be hosted by the Genesee/Wyoming Council of Masonic Activities and Constellation Lodge No. 404, F&AM.

The Tournament for men and women will be held at Silver Lake Country Club. The cost of the Tournament is \$42 and \$38 respectively and includes: 18 holes of golf, a hat, goody bag (donations from local merchants) and prizes for Tournament winners. The winners will be determined by gross and net scores. Net scores will be determined by the Calloway Handicap System to make it fair for everyone. There will be winners in each flight and the closest to the pin on the short par three.

This year's committee has decided to hold the Banquet at Silver Lake Country Club on Saturday Night, September 7th. A Buffet Dinner will be at 7:00 p.m. for \$17.00 per person, tax and gratuity included. The Lady's Tournament winners will be announced and prizes distributed at the Banquet.

Registration will be at the golf course. The committee will provide a list of rooms and prices available. There are a number of bed and breakfasts in the area and hotel accommodations in Geneseo, Warsaw and Batavia.

We are expecting a large field of participants in the men's and ladies tournaments due to local interest. Please return your application as soon as possible to avoid any conflicts in scheduling.

There are a number of nice eating establishments in the area and the committee urges you to check out the Silver Lake Country Club's facilities as they will be available. Practice rounds can be scheduled any time with the Club

Pro. Please make your tee times directly with the club, as you will have to identify yourselves as part of the NYSMGA.

For the non-golfers, the area is located next to Letchworth State Park and the village of Wyoming, with its gas lights and Christmas craft shops.

The committee is committed to making your weekend enjoyable and hassle free. If you encounter any problem, please feel free to contact any officer and he will try to assist.

Little Known Facts

The strawberry and the apple belong to the Rose Family.

The Alamo is named after the cottonwood trees that surround it. Alamo is Spanish for Cottonwood.

One of the basic principles of television was conceived by a 16-year-old high school student, Philo T. Farnsworth, in 1922.

The age of many fish can be determined by counting the winter rings on their scales.

Benjamin Franklin suggested setting the clocks ahead an hour, or "Daylight Saving Time", as a joke.

The first movie in an airplane was shown in 1929.

The first pencil with an attached eraser was patented in 1858.

Sixty tons of snow and rain fall on the roof of an average house each year.

In 1928, Leon Vanderstuyft bicycled 76 miles in one hour.

Rochester Forest Confers the Royal Court Degree



The entire Grand Cast of the Royal Court Degree: Bob Nichols, Paul Kober, Angelo DiCataldo, GTC, Frank Briffa, Charles Spiegel, Doug Draker, District Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar 24th and Tom Hueston.



Scott Seltzer, our newest Tall Cedar being congratulated by the District Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar, Doug Draker.

**New York State Mason's Golf Association
44th Annual Golf Tournament
September 6, 7, 8, 1996**

Men's Tournament

Silver Lake Country Club (Private)
West Lake Road
Perry, New York
(716) 237-9949

Ladies Tournament

Silver Lake Country Club
West Lake Road
Perry, New York
(716) 237-9949

Please Print

1st Player _____	Lady Guest _____
Address _____	City _____ State _____
Lodge & No. _____	District _____ State _____
Average Score (Pairing) _____	Telephone: () _____
2nd Player _____	Lady Guest _____
Address _____	City _____ State _____
Lodge & No. _____	District _____ State _____
Telephone: () _____	

Both players registered on the same sheet will be paired together. Special pairing request MUST be received at one time. No more than two members of a lodge permitted in a foursome. Members of out of state Lodges and their ladies are eligible for sojourners division only if four or more entries are received.

Tournament Costs	MEN	No.	Total	LADIES	No.	Total
Golf, Cart & Prizes	\$42.00	X _____	= _____	\$38.00	X _____	= _____
Banquet (including tax & tip)	\$17.00	X _____	= _____	\$17.00	X _____	= _____
Sat. 7pm at Silver Lake Country Club (cash bar)						
MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: NYSMGA - 96						

SEND TO: **Robert Dagen**
7521 Holley Rd.
Byron, New York 14557

Indicate day & time you wish to play.
TOURNAMENT TEE TIMES: Fri & Sun - 9am to Noon Sat. 7:30am to Noon
Please indicate your preference MEN _____ WOMEN _____

Practice round Tee Times and Course you wish to play at POSTED RATES! Call PRO SHOP for reservations.

Registration for men and women will be at their respective golf courses. Participants must check in with starter 30 minutes prior to start.

CLOSING DATE FOR TOURNAMENT AND BANQUET AUGUST 19, 1996

Tall Cedars of Lebanon

Rochester Forest No. 133

Meets the 4th Thursday
1822 Penfield Road
Penfield, New York 14526

Angelo DiCataldo, GTC



Robert North, SDGTC

Robert Nichols, JDGTC

Donald C. Bell, Scribe

By Don Brugger

Degree

As a follow-up on our last report, the Royal Court Degree went well and was enjoyed by the members and four visitors from Garden City Forest in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. The meeting was launched with a fine dinner at Roncone's new Penfield Restaurant. The fare was good and reasonably priced. We will be back. We now have as you can see, the pictures of the cast and our DDSTC, Doug Draker.

Summer time

Our Sausage Roast will again be at the Damascus Shrine Mosque on Bay Road June 27th. Bring a dish to pass. Arrival after 4:00 p.m. will allow plenty of time

for fellowship and Bocci. Dinner is planned for about 6:00 p.m. Hope to see many of you there. Perhaps there will be some visitors from the North again.

MS Campaign

We do not contemplate participation in the Jerry Lewis Labor Day Telethon, but will be giving away roses in a couple of the Malls on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, August 30, 31, and Sept. 1st in the hope of getting donations for the Supreme Forest Muscular Dystrophy Fund. You will be notified of the exact time and location over the Summer.

Our next regular meeting will take place September 26th at the Penfield Temple. The meeting will be preceded by dinner at Roncone's.

Sickness and Distress

We should remember Brother Bob North in our prayers, he is still hanging in there. He would probably like to hear from you.

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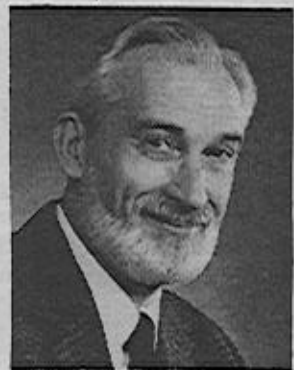
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York Rite NEWS

York Rite College
Judas Maccabeus

District Deputy Grand High Priest

Royal Arch Masons
27th Capitular District



R.E. Donald J. Brugger
458-6125 h, 473-4351 w

Traveling

I have been getting around the District to visit the Chapters both Officially and unofficially. Official Visits to Webster (5/8), Dansville (5/14) and Hiram (5/23) have been made. Livonia Chapter will probably have to wait until Fall because of the change in their meeting schedule. There has been a good reception for the Grand High Priest's Message and we have had no problem opening the Chapters.

Both Webster and Dansville have started to work on their survival, both having documented portions of their long range plans. All Chapters will find this exercise enlightening, even if they think it is not needed.

A visit to the 20th District was made on May 22nd when I attended Charles H. Platt Chapter No. 247 in Skaneateles, NY. The current High Priest is an old friend who finally decided to go in line.

If any Chapter would like a presentation on the "Resolve a Chapter Program" I would be happy to make one. Please call me and we can make the arrangements. The presentation should take about 40 minutes.

Charities

So far this year the 27th District stands 5th in the State in total contributions to the Scholarship, Charities and Medical Research Funds. However, we are quite a distance from 4th, but not too far from 6th and 7th.

In the Scholarship Fund we are about at the same level. Contributions to the Medical Research Fund are better with a 3rd place. Compared with two years ago, however, we are not doing very well at all. I would urge all to make their contributions soon. The campaign is half over and by the end of Summer we will be into the last quarter. Let's make a concerted effort to put the 27th up at or near the top.

Summer dates

Just a reminder; the Hiram (York Rite Cooperation) Picnic will be on June 13, Henrietta Town Park. This will be a York Rite combined function.

On August 4th the 27th District Picnic will be held at Kuehne's place in Italy Valley. Our Grand Chapter District Representative has been invited to be at the Council Officers' meeting usually held there.

York Rite cooperation

On September 26th, Hiram Chapter and Doric Council will meet on the same night. This is an attempt at a more unified York Rite. The Council meets at 7:00 p.m. and the Chapter at 8:00 p.m. Come out and see how things work out. All area Council and Chapter members will be welcome.

Degree Fest

There may be a Degree Fest on October 19th. Two things must happen to make this a reality. We must have the support and commitment from a lot of Companions and we need enough candidates to make it a worthy project. Both of these things are necessary to make a Degree Fest successful.

Benefits

I can see the benefits of a Degree Fest. First, Brothers who wanted to join the Royal Arch, but had a conflict with one of the Degree dates, will be able to join the Royal Arch and become active members.

Second, this will free up three meeting nights for companionship and meaningful programs.

Third, more people will be able to contribute to the Degree process, both with parts in the dramas and back stage work.

Finally, it should be a lot of fun. Let's all work hard over the Summer and get those petitions in so this Degree Fest will become a reality.

Hiram Chapter

No. 62



2nd & 4th
Thursdays

Paul B. Josephson, EHP
334-7353

Richard J. Oliver, Secretary
594-2380

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

Summer activities

June signals the start of our Summer break from the ritual of Royal Arch Masonry, but there are still social functions that bring us together.

June

June 13th is the York Rite Picnic to be held at the Henrietta Town Park. This is a York Rite function, not just a Hiram Chapter function.

July

Plan to join us on our Summer trip to the Renaissance Faire on July 20th. For those of you going with us, remember that the bus leaves from the Downtown Temple at 9:30 a.m. sharp. Be on time or you will be left behind.

August

On August 4th there will be a District Picnic at Bill Kuehne's resort.

September

A joint meeting with Doric Council will be held on September 23rd. The Council will open at 7:00 p.m. for its meeting. Hiram will open and have its meeting at 8:00 p.m., followed by an enjoyable program. This, along with the York Rite Picnic, are ways that the York Rite Bodies in Rochester are trying to get together and work in harmony.

3x3 Chapter

NO. 333

Royal Arch Masons

(Chartered in 1990)



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

Jeffrey A. Diehl, High Priest
964-3443

Karl Heintz-Reich, Secretary
426-6836

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

By Jeffrey Diehl, EHP

Fellow Companions

As I travel in the Eastward direction this year, I'm finding that simply holding a title or wearing a certain hat can be as involved as you decide you want it to be or may become more difficult than you expected it to be. But after much contemplation, research and reading, I have come to the conclusion that our Master Overseer works off a trestleboard just as we do. Everyone has a purpose, because the Great Architect has drawn His designs with you and me in mind. Just as each of the 80,000 Fellowcrafts who retained employment at the building of King Solomon's Temple many years ago, each had a purpose and a job to do, so do each one of us have a purpose and a goal that we must strive to achieve. My message is this: don't run away or change your mind or goal(s) when things become arduous and tangled. Remember: everything, every event, and everyone has a purpose. We might not know outright what that quarry is, but it's there. Plan your work and work your plan. This is a good philosophy, my friends, and it works.

Welcome

Please welcome 3X3's newest Companion, Arthur McMichael. Art was exalted on May 9th at Hiram Chapter. Welcome to 3X3, Art.

Reminder

The upcoming District Picnic is on the 28th of August in War-

saw. The local Eastern Star Chapter in Warsaw caters the event and I can assure you that they put on quite a spread. If at all possible, you and your guest be there. You won't be sorry that you attended. Call me at 964-3443 for details.

June meeting

I would like to inform all Companions that the June 5th convocation is cancelled. I hope to see all Companions at the June 19th meeting. Just a reminder, our convocations open at 7:30 p.m. and they are held at the Masonic Temple on Union Street in the center of downtown Spencerport. See you in Spencerport.

Past High Priests

Association

Western New York



R.E.: Keith Church, Sec.
684-4326

81 Deborah Lane
Cheektowaga, NY 14225

By R.E.: Ruel R. Lovett

Companions, it would be easy to judge the quality of your Blue Lodge by the number of Royal Arch Masons on its rolls. Royal Arch Masons are more likely to attend Blue Lodge meetings, and to be active in or support the activities of the Lodge. This, of course, is not 100% true, but it is the usual rule. The Lodge Master should be supporting membership in the Royal Arch. It is to his advantage to do so. It would be even better if he joined. Your friendly Excellent High Priest has reserved a petition for you.

Working together

The District Deputy Grand High Priests have very busy schedules planned out already, but I hope you have included a large number of visits to Blue Lodges. The Blue Lodge is the source of your membership and should be cultivated and supported. You should support any membership program the Worshipful Master undertakes. The Past High Priests Association is here to help each District Deputy perform his arduous duties. All you have to do is ask.

Good advice

Last month's article by R.E.: Donald Brugger was excellent. I hope each of you read it. It matters not what District you are from. Any Chapter in the State could benefit from his very good advice. If you missed it, please go back and read it now.

Timely information

R.E.: Gary Thompson also writes a column for the *Masonic Times*. His article gives up-to-date information for the 29th Capitular District. Hiram Chapter No. 62, Western Star Chapter No. 35 and Three Times Three Chapter No. 333 also have articles. We are fortunate to have this abundance of information available. We hope these will continue well into the future. The effort put into these columns can only help.

Scholarship Fund Dinner

You still have time to get your reservation in for the PHP Schol-

arship Fund Dinner. Make your check for \$18.00 payable to the Past High Priest's Association of Western New York and send it to Keith Church, 81 Deborah Lane, Cheektowaga, NY, 14225. Reservations will not be accepted without a check. Please come and join us for a big evening. Let's show the Grand High Priest, M.E.: Robert DeLuca, that Western New York backs his programs to the hilt.

The date is June 8th, the place is the Marigold Manor, 770 Maryvale Drive, Cheektowaga. Cocktails are at 5:30 p.m., with dinner at 6:30 p.m. Reservations are to be made by June 3rd. If there are any questions, please call me at (716) 494-2546.

Grand Commandery Knights Templar

State of New York

Ronald J. Bertie
Grand Commander

Zone Advisor
225-6348

Zone Commander
Rev. Charles Roberts
621-3796

By SK Ronald J. Bertie

Busy times

The Grand Commandery has been very busy in the last month. The Annual Inspection of Commanderies is now complete for 1996. Overall, the Commanderies did an excellent job in their Inspections. I had the opportunity to be present at several of them and we can be very proud of the job done by the Inspecting Officers.

New Commandery

There will be a new Commandery forming in the Finger Lakes area with its Dedication Ceremony set for this Summer.

Grand Lodge

My Lady, Elaine, and I represented the Grand Commandery at Grand Lodge. The hotel, food and hospitality were excellent.

Other travels

In the month of May we traveled over 9,000 miles visiting several Grand Commanderies, Shrine Temples, Symbolic Lodges, Commanderies, and Royal Arch Chapters.

Sickness

Lady Lois Cave, wife of the Grand Prelate, has just returned home from the hospital. SK Robert Bourhill, Past Grand Commander, is recovering at home. SK James Branigan, Associate Grand Organist, would like to receive cards.

June

In the month of June I plan to travel to: St. Augustine Commandery, Jacksonville, NY; Ostego Commandery, Coopers-town; Scottish Rite Council of Deliberation, Lake Placid; Grand Commandery of Penn Outing, Pittsburgh, PA; Constellation of Junior Stars, Buffalo and have a visit to the Supreme Temple in Spokane, Washington.

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Sir Knights Lawrence Dunn, George Bundoc, Wayne Slack, John Dudley, Fred Holderle, Raymond Beardsley, Donald Brugger, Arnold Palmer, Commander Robert Zahn, Ernest Stelianou, David Lathers, Charles Roberts, Stanley Peterson and Dean Airy at the Installation of Cyrene/Monroe Commandery No. 12.

Cyrene-Monroe Commandery No. 12

Chartered in 1993
2nd & 4th Fridays
SK Robert L. Zahn
Commander
SK Lawrence W. Dunn
Recorder 594-8033



Monroe Commandery No. 12:

- Commander Robert Zahn
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- Capt. General David Lathers
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- Prelate Frederick Holderle
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- Sword Bearer Arnold Palmer
- Warder Wayne Slack
- Sentinel Albert Miller
- Organist William Kuehne

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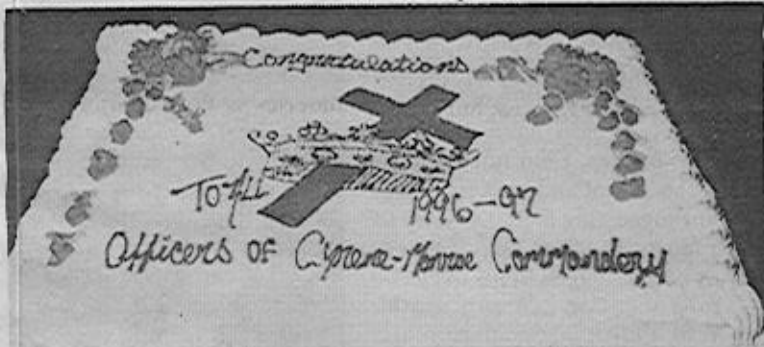
I thank the Installing Officers, Sir Knights Raymond Beardsley, Stanley Peterson, Rev. Charles Roberts and Larry Dunn, for an outstanding job. The Schicker Club also gets a big thank you for providing refreshments for the Reception.

June

Our next Conclave will be on June 14th. I will present my program for the year for discussion. This will be sport shirt night. Swords and chapeaus required. □



Linda Zahn presenting the sword to SK Bob Zahn, Commander.



Cake for the Officers of Cyrene Monroe Commandery No. 12.

Batavia Commandery No. 34 Knights Templar

Meets 2nd & 4th Thursdays
SK Keith C. Denton, Commander
SK Allen L. Capwell, Recorder 786-3897
Masonic Temple 200 E. Main Street Batavia, NY 14020



By SK Keith Denton

Thank you
I thank everyone in Batavia Commandery No. 34, for the honor they have bestowed up me and the confidence they have shown in my abilities by electing me Commander for the ensuing year.

A great effect
Like many Masons, I can't find the words to explain how much Masonry means to me, but I can say without any hesitation that of all the Concordant Degrees I have taken, the Orders of the Knights Templar have had the most profound effect on my life.

Nothing means more to me than ensuring that the Knights Templary thrives! Every Mason should know, not only who the Templars are and what they stand for, but should also have the opportunity to experience first hand the pageantry and honor of the Commandery.

Public welcome!

With this goal in mind, I intend to invite everyone from the Entered Apprentice to the Grand Master, and their wives and families, to as many of the Knights Templar events as possible. Our slogan for the year will be, "Public Welcome".

Less is best

I believe the key to promoting Masonry is not more, but less! Less meetings, less sickness and distress, less reading of the minutes, less bills and reports, and less business as usual! What we need to do are less things better!!!

It is just as easy to do something big (when it's done right), as it is to do it small. People like to be involved in big projects, they like to attend big events, and support big causes. So, why would anyone plan a small event?

Planning and promoting

The key to fundraising and charity is the universal appeal of your cause and its events. The key to success is planning, promotion and more promotion. Some call

it tooting your own horn. Well, I believe it's time we put away our kazoo's and get out the tubas!

Events

I know you've heard it before and you won't believe it 'til you see it, so here are just a few things coming up to show you how serious I am:

On May 11th Batavia KT joined the Genesee County Fair Board and Cooperative Extension as part of the Annual Dutch Heritage Festival. We hosted a breakfast for the public.

May 23rd was the date of our Open Installation with a Pot Luck Dinner.

Ladies Night will be held on June 13th at the Edgewood Restaurant at the corner of Rtes. 33 and 237 in Byron. Cocktails will be served at 6:00 p.m. and dinner at 7:00 p.m. The public is invited.

Climb aboard and join us, hold on and we'll drag you, or stand there and be trampled. The Knights Templar are on the move! As always, the public is welcome. □

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June 1, 1996

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Supreme Forest Tall Cedars of Lebanon

By Albert H. Hensinger, Past Supreme Tall Cedar

The origin of the Tall Cedars of Lebanon goes back to 1843 when some energetic and imaginative Master Masons came up with the idea of the Tall Cedar Degree. It was some time around 1846, after the meetings of some Blue Lodges in Pennsylvania and New Jersey that the Tall Cedar Degree was performed.

Glassboro, NJ, seemed to be the focal point for those performances. Finally, on March 18, 1902, in Trenton, NJ, the Tall Cedars of Lebanon were officially constituted and became an appendant body of Freemasons. Individual Lodges are called Forests and the official headgear is a tri-cornered hat called a "Pyramid" which is tied in with our ritualistic work. In 1971, the 70th year of our existence, a Forest was instituted in Canada, and since then the Fraternity has been known as the Tall Cedars of Lebanon of North America.

The only requirement for membership in the Tall Cedars is that an applicant be a member in good standing in a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons. Our objectives are basically to provide social entertainment and clean, wholesome recreation, to promote wider acquaintances and friendships among Master Masons and their families. Our theme, therefore, is "Fun, Frolic and Fellowship" with a purpose.

That purpose is to help combat muscular dystrophy, which basically afflicts young people. Tall Cedar involvement with the Muscular Dystrophy Association began in 1951, when we became the first national organization to adopt the Muscular Dystrophy Program as a charity. Since 1952, the Tall Cedars have given over \$10 million to the Muscular Dystrophy Association, making annual presentations to Jerry Lewis at the Labor Day Telethon. This money is raised through donations received from our Rose Program, hoagie sales, garage sales, pancake breakfasts, dances, etc., with entire families participating in these events.

Our Youth Programs are an integral part of our Tall Cedar agenda. Two \$1,000 Scholarships are awarded annually to Masonic affiliated youth. Also, we are proud to underwrite the entire financial cost of the DeMolay Past Master Counselor's Meritorious Service Award every year. □

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Scottish Rite NEWS

Consistory
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Lodge of Perfection

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



Recognition Night

Our April meeting was Recognition Night for our Ambassadors Team. I was very pleased to see so many Ambassadors in attendance. Again, a special thank you to Robert Cameron, Ambassador Coordinator, for his excellent job of organizing and assisting the Team in the great job they are doing.

Bring-A-Brother Night

Our Bring-A-Brother Night on May 3rd was a huge success and a special thanks to Chairman, Erwin Newell, and Master of Ceremonies, Charles Hancock, for the excellent job they did. The Bring-A-Brother Night is one of the projects that the Membership Development Team, under the direction of Co-Chairmen, Charles C. Spiegel, Jr., 32° MSA and Stephen A. Whittaker, 32° MSA, have worked hard to promote, so I especially thank the Team for their efforts.

Reunion

As I write this article, plans are being finalized for our Spring Reunion. We are anticipating a good size Class and welcome our new members to the Valley of Rochester. We hope they enjoy the fellowship and fun that awaits them in our Scottish Rite.

The Degrees were followed by our Annual Scottish Rite Banquet honoring the Donald J. Brugger, 32° MSA Class. I thank Chairman, Donald A. Rose, Most Wise Master, for his hard work in making this event a success.

The Reunion did not just happen and I extend my thanks to all those responsible for its success; the Coordinator of the Degrees, Directors, Class Committee, Stage Crew, Wardrobe, Officers and Casts for their efforts in the Degrees. Thanks to all those first and second line signers and support of all the membership. A special thank you to the great work done by the Membership Development Team. I also thank Ill. Robert P. Zabel, 33°, Secretary, and especially Jean Brugger, for their tremendous support.

Elections

On June 6th the Election of Officers in all the Bodies will take place and Ill. Patrick J.S. McNenny, 33°, will become your Commander-in-Chief. I extend my very best wishes to him and his Officers for the ensuing two years. And of course, I especially thank all my Officers for their help during my term.

The end

Since this is my last article as Commander-in-Chief, I want all the members of the Scottish Rite to know how much I have enjoyed these past two years and the support and help I have received. It has been a very busy and active time, but I have been extremely proud to serve as an Officer of the Valley of Rochester.

Mysincere thanks to the members of the Valley for giving me this opportunity. I particularly express my sincere appreciation to my wife, Jeanne, for her support.

Keep up the good work of the Scottish Rite. □

Support your Masonic Service Bureau

Orator's Response

This Response was written and given by the Class Orator, John D. Brugger, at the Annual Scottish Rite Banquet on May 18, 1996.

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, distinguished guests, Scottish Rite Brothers and ladies.

When I was approached with the honor of performing the duties of Orator for this Reunion Class, two questions arose:

The first of which being mine, in jest, "Haven't most honorees been individuals that have passed on?"

The second of which was my wife's, "Won't I be a little biased?"

I'll start with answering the second question, won't I be biased?

I sure will. Through the years a dad has always been looked at as somewhat of a hero to his son. Someone who is idolized. Someone whose every move is watched very carefully, the son hoping to learn some of that "magic" that allows dad to "fix anything", or "to know all the right answers". I guess this is where the phrase, "I want to be just like my dad", comes from.

I would have to say that our family is no exception.

As we, Brothers, were raised, we were taught such things as: meeting upon the level, acting by the plumb, and always parting upon the square, all of which Donald Brugger's service has truly exemplified. Since raised in Wakan Lodge No. 1054, Don has done nothing less than show a never ending enthusiasm for our Craft. His list of accomplishments is a great example of this.

Dad, I hope someday someone will be able to say that I was just like my dad.

Now for question number one: Aren't most honorees individuals that have passed on?

No, Dad, you have not left us yet, but should the day ever come that it will be time for you to go, we can all be very, very proud to say that we are all better men and women for having walked your stations with you. □

Class Sponsor's Remarks

[I thank the Class for this generous gift and I thank the Orator, my son, John, for his generous remarks. They really have taken me by surprise and I really don't think I can at this time give an adequate response. I guess sometimes you really don't realize the full impact your actions have. I guess I must have done something right. The best thing to do is to continue with my prepared script.]

Illustrious Deputy, Actives, Commander-in-Chief, ladies, Brothers, friends and guests. I would like to begin by telling you what an honor it is being asked to be the Sponsor of the 1995-'96 Fall and Spring Classes of the Valley of Rochester. I would also like to thank our Commander-in-Chief, Illustrious Brother Rod Rittenhouse, 33°, for nominating me for this singular honor.

In Masonry, like all Fraternal Organizations, you only get out of it what you put into it. This is an old adage first repeated to me by Ill. Fred Nielsen, 33°, the person who originally got me interested in the Fraternity. I know that each of you only have a small amount of time to engage in non-essential labors like hobbies or

Donald J. Brugger, 32° MSA Class 1995 Fall Reunion

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sport, however, I suggest that Masonry is not non-essential. The genius of Freemasonry is that it makes good men better, or as Rex Hutchins, Prelate of the Tucson Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine, puts it, "The Fraternity has the power to transform its members from ordinary good men to extraordinary better men". This employment is essential in this world that we are trying to survive in, a world which we are trying to preserve for our offspring and their progeny.

Each of you have many responsibilities. I am not suggesting that you abandon these. What I am suggesting is that you try to support this effort that Masonry has been engaged in for over 300 years, this effort of improving the world we live in, one person at a time.

We in the Scottish Rite know that we will not attract all the Brothers raised in our Symbolic Lodges. We do know, however, that a certain percentage of these will be attracted by our message and our charitable endeavors. We therefore encourage each of you to support your Symbolic Lodge. We know that our survival is intimately tied to theirs.

I applaud your commitment in joining with us to promote the Fraternity and its ideals of Charity and Brotherly Love and invite you to join with us in this effort by participating in the Degrees, helping out in wardrobe, as stagehands, take a small or large part in the casts or even direct a Degree. Become an Officer in one of the Bodies. Get on one of our committees: Membership Retention, Membership Development, be an Ambassador or Hospitaler. Learn all you can about us and what we're about so that you can be a knowledgeable spokesman for the Scottish Rite. There are many opportunities for service. It's up to you. Remember we only reap what we sow, but I have found, and I think you will too, the rewards are far more significant than the effort. Thank you. □

If wisdom's ways you'd wisely seek
Five things observe with care.
Of whom you speak,
To whom you speak,
And how, and when, and where.

Brother Charles R. Frear Receives the Girlie Goodwin Citizen of the Year Award



Brother Charles R. Frear received this prestigious Award from the Town of Greece, New York, at the Greece Chamber of Commerce Civic Awards Banquet held on April 25th. It was his involvement with Damascus Temple, Boy Scouts of America, Salvation Army, Parkridge Hospital and the Village at Park Ridge that earned him this Award.

The Girlie Goodwin Citizen of the Year Award is given each year to the individual who most represents a citizen who feels pride for his or her community, and has a devotion to improve the quality of life for others.

In 1993 Brother Frear and his wife, Muriel, established a Trust Fund, with the Park Ridge Foundation as beneficiary. This allows the Foundation to channel funds where they are most needed to provide services in the community. He has also set out to educate others in the community about the benefits of financial giving, and help people understand the benefits of charitable trust and planned giving, thus enabling organizations to better serve the community.

Brother Frear has served on the Greece Zoning Board of Appeals and is a former Board member of the Otetiana Council of the Boy Scouts of America. In 1995 he was appointed to the Salvation Army's Advisory Board, Development Committee and

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Chairman of its first Golf Tournament. In addition, he has served on the Board of Park Ridge Hospital and its Capital Campaign Steering Committee, and in his own version of the "Welcome Wagon Program", stops to talk to new residents of the Senior Living Facility in the capacity of a volunteer.

We in the Valley of Rochester are pleased to congratulate him on receiving this Award from the town of Greece.

In June, Brother Frear will receive the MSA Award from the New York Council of Deliberation at Lake Placid, NY. Everyone in Masonry knows of his involvements and accomplishments in Masonry, Damascus Temple, and the Scottish Rite. □

Hospitaler's Report

By Thomas M. Paglia, 32° MSA

Robert Zabel, 33°, is progressing nicely after eye surgery.

John E. Hennessy, Jr., has had knee surgery.

Leo Pancoast, Jr., is having treatments and appreciates hearing from you. □

Summer Events

Please mark the following events on your calendar and plan to attend:

Election and Installation

The Election and Installation of Officers in the Lodge, Council Chapter and Consistory will be held June 6th in Cathedral Hall at 7:30 p.m. If you are an Officer, it is imperative that you be there.

Scottish Rite Outing

The Annual Scottish Rite Stag Outing will be at the Party House, 677 Beahan Rd., on Friday, August 9th. Fellowship begins at 4:30 p.m. followed by a Steamship Round Buffet at 6:30 p.m. Reservations MUST be into the Scottish Rite Office by Friday, August 2nd. You will be receiving a mailing for this event. □

What is the Meritorious Service Award?

Since the Supreme Council authorized the Meritorious Service Award, a number of misapprehensions have arisen or developed among some of the members of the Rite. A few of those misunderstandings are:

1. That the Award is a Scottish Rite Degree, ranking between the 32° and 33°.

2. That this is a prelude or stepping stone to the 33°.

3. That the Award is bestowed only in cases where the recipient is not expected to be nominated to receive the 33°.

Nothing could be further from the intent and purpose of this Award. It is not a Degree, nor is it related to any Degree in Scottish Rite Masonry. It is not considered a stepping stone to the 33°, and neither is it to be considered as a bar to later being nominated for that honor. Further, having received the 33° does not exclude a member of the Rite from later receiving the Meritorious Service Award.

What then is the Meritorious Service Award? It is a recognition of distinguished service of a Masonic character granted to those members of the Rite who have given years of active capable and faithful service to their Valleys. All selections are made upon the recommendation of the Presiding Officers of the Subordinate Bodies to their Council of Deliberation.

The fact that the recommendation for this Award is made by the Presiding Officers should be highly significant to the one so recognized. The Officers are the ones who should be most advantageously situated to appraise the services of the members of their Valley, and when they recommend an individual they are asking their Council of Deliberation to grant the recipient the highest honor that it is authorized to confer. One of the rare distinctions that can come to a member of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction is his selection to join the ranks of those who hold the "Award for Meritorious Service". (*Valley of Schenectady, Jan./Feb., 1995*) □

Supreme Council Annual Meeting

An attendance of more than 2,000, made up of nearly 1,000 33° Masons and their ladies, are expected to visit Boston, Massachusetts, between August 23-28 as the Supreme Council for Scottish Rite Freemasonry for the 15 state Northern Jurisdiction holds its 184th Annual Meeting.

The Boston Supreme Council Session will be highlighted by the conferral of the organization's Thirty-third Degree upon 152 Scottish Rite Masons, nominated and elected to receive this high honor at the 1995 meeting at Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The Thirty-third Degree is awarded for outstanding achievement in the Fraternity or for significant contributions to others, reflecting credit on Freemasonry. The impressive ceremony will take

place in Boston's John Hancock Hall on Tuesday, August 27th.

Introductory luncheons, honoring the Thirty-third Degree candidates and their ladies, will be Sunday noon at the Westin Hotel Copley Place.

Earlier business conferences attended by the Active Members and Officers of the Supreme Council will be held on Friday and Saturday, August 23-24.

The larger scale events will begin Sunday afternoon, August 25th, when the Grand Ballroom, Marriott Copley Place Hotel will be the scene of the traditional Supreme Council Vesper Service. Rev. John P. Robertson, 32°, Retired Minister of the First Congregational Church of Wakefield, will deliver the Vesper message. Assisting will be Sovereign Grand Commander Robert O. Ralston, 33°; Grand Prior Kenneth V. Kettlewell, 33°, Interim Pastor, Second Presbyterian Church in Cambridge, Ohio; and Ill. Oscar A. Guinn, Jr., 33°, Retired Pastor, Westport Methodist Church in Westport.

Sovereign Grand Commander Ralston will be completing his initial term and will preside over the General Sessions of the Supreme Council which will open on Monday morning in the Grand Ballroom of the Marriott Copley Place Hotel. In the course of these particular meetings, it is anticipated that prominent leaders from other Masonic organizations in the United States, Canada, Mexico, Europe and South America, will join Northern Jurisdiction members for report and discussion periods.

A number of other events have been scheduled, including a luncheon for all ladies attending the Boston meeting in the American Ballroom, Westin Hotel Copley Place on Monday noon. Mrs. Susann Ralston, wife of the Sovereign Grand Commander, will preside over the luncheon with entertainment following. At the same time, a luncheon will be served in the University of Massachusetts Exhibit Hall, Marriott Copley Place Hotel for all Supreme Council members, distinguished guests, and members of the 1996 Thirty-third Degree Class. On Monday evening an entertainment program will be presented in the Grand Ballroom of the Marriott Copley Place Hotel. Special sightseeing tours will be available for the visitors.

In addition to the major events sponsored by the Supreme Council, a Masonic Marketplace will be set up in the University of Massachusetts Exhibit Hall, Marriott Copley Place Hotel. There will be seminars on Tuesday, including such important topics as Children's Learning Centers in Action, and New Directions in Membership Procurement and Retention.

Throughout the week, there will be many smaller social functions occurring under the auspices of the 15 participating states and the 109 centers comprising the Northern Jurisdiction.

The 1996 meeting will end with the announcement of the names of those elected to receive the Thirty-third Degree at Grand Rapids, Michigan, in September, 1997. □

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GRAND MASTER'S DAY

You, your wife (or Significant Other, but not both), family and friends, are cordially and fraternally invited to join with our Grand Master, M.:W.: Earle J. Hino, Jr., for the Annual Grand Master's Day at Camp Turk which is hosted by the Committee on Camp Turk, R.:W.: Harold Halper, Chairman. This year's fun-filled Grand Master's Day will take place Saturday, July 13, which is during the heart of the boys' camping season. This is an excellent opportunity to visit and observe one of the jewels of Grand Lodge. You will notice the steady improvement to the campgrounds, buildings and the variety of programs offered to the campers, thanks to the efforts of the Trustees, the generosity of the New York Masons and the Camp Turk Staff. The Committee hopes that you will take this opportunity to see for yourself what a great and magnificent place Camp Turk has become that gives our young people three weeks in the beautiful Adirondack Mountains. Among the exciting events planned this year is an opportunity to take a mini-cruise on "The Lady of the Lake" and watch the annual intense take-no-prisoners ball game between the Grand Line officers and the campers. Gourmet chef, M.:W.: Roswell Swits, and Day Chairman, R.:W.: Bill Busch, will be at their stations presiding over the barbecue of the chickens. About four o'clock there will be the Dedication of a Sun Dial to the memory of the late M.:W.: Sheldon Blank who was associated with Camp Turk for so many years. The Camp Turk Committee hopes that you will be able to attend. In order to assure ample food and beverages, please complete the coupon and forward it, by June 30, to William Busch in care of the Committee on Camp Turk, PO Box 144, Diamond Point, New York 12834. For information, please call (518) 668-5592.

Coupon #1

Schedule of Events Grand Master's Day - Saturday, July 13, 1996
 8:15 a.m. - Flag Ceremony at flag pole by waterfront.
 8:30 a.m. - Breakfast. Grand Line Officers and their guests with the campers in the dining hall.
 12:00 p.m. - Chicken Barbecue. Everyone eats together near barbecue pit between dining hall and lake. Background music by band.
 2:00 p.m. - Ball Game - upper field. Grand Master's Team versus the Campers. Refreshments at the recreation field.
 4:00 p.m. - Sun Dial Dedication Ceremony.
 5:30 p.m. - Light Supper Hamburgs, Hot Dogs, Salads, Cold Drinks, Coffee (in barbecue area).
 6:30 p.m. - Flag Ceremony at flag pole by waterfront -----

Coupon #2

R.:W.: William Busch, Chairman, Grand Master's Day
 Yes! I want to be a part of the Grand Master's Day at Camp Turk on Saturday, July 13.
 Please make reservations: for _____ people including myself.
 () We will attend the barbecue at noon on Saturday. () We will attend the light hamburger and hot dog supper at 5:30.
 Name: _____
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The Ark of the Covenant

After the installation of the Ark in the Holy of Holies of the Temple (by Solomon in Jerusalem), its biblical practicality ends, and except for a single reference during the reign of King Josiah more than two centuries later (II Chron. 35:3), was heard of no more.

What happened to the Ark of the Covenant?

From biblical deduction, it now appears that the Ark was removed from the Temple during the reign of Manasseh in Judah (687-642 B.C.) Manasseh was a worshiper of idols and "did that which was evil in the sight of the Lord". According to further scriptures, he introduced an "arboreal pagan deity" into the "Debir" of the Holy of Holies of the Temple. Apparently under his orders, the Levites would have removed the Ark to make way for his "idol or graven image". Could it be that the Levites took the Ark to a place of complete safety; and perhaps out of the country?

To add further weight to the idea, previously stated, that the Ark was removed from Jerusalem during the reign of King Manasseh; archaeological excavations in the Aswan area of Egypt attest to the fact that a Jewish Temple was erected on Elephantine, an island near Aswan, around 650 B.C.

Bezales Porten, in his book, "Archives from Elephantine", makes the following statement: Manasseh's reign was accompanied by much bloodshed and it

may be surmised that the priests as well as the prophets opposed this paganization. Some of the priests fled to Egypt, joined the Jewish garrison at Elephantine, and there.....erected the Temple".

The Temple on Elephantine, according to Graham Hancock's book, "The Sign and the Seal", posed many similar characteristics associated with the Temple at Jerusalem. The dimensions matched almost exactly with those of the Jerusalem Temple. The interior design was practically the same. The Holy of Holies of this Temple would have been an ideal place for the Ark of the Covenant to rest.

The Temple on Elephantine was probably destroyed by the Egyptians in the 5th Century B.C. after the Persian dominance of the area. In all probability, the Jews that occupied the Island of Elephantine moved southward

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Annual Scottish Rite Stag Outing

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Lalla Rookh GROTTO

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Grotto News

My congratulations to the Lalla Rookh Grotto Cast for a fine Ceremonial on May 15th, and a hearty welcome to all our new Prophets. We have many things planned for your participation. Please join us in these events.

Don't forget the Picnic on June 19th. Hope you all have a good Summer and good health, 'til I see you at the next Grotto function.

Congratulations are in order to Prophet Cyrus Kloner, who was appointed District Deputy Grand Master, 1st Monroe District for 1996-1998. His Brother Prophets wish him well in this honored position in the Masonic Fraternity. □

Board of Governors

The date and meeting place has been changed to Tuesday, June 4th at the Henrietta Masonic Temple, 769 Erie Station Road. We will have a Steak Roast and eat about 6:15 p.m. The cost will be pro-rated. The Board Meeting will follow dinner, in the Lodge room. Reservations are a must! Please make them by May 29th to Ron at 334-4196 and must be honored. □

Membership

We have some petitions standing out. Please get them in by the Board of Governors meeting on June 4th. Thank you! □

Grotto Cast

By George Knierim
The Cast Picnic is June 24th, at Henrietta Town Park. The time is from 4:00 p.m. 'til?
Thanks for everyone's help with the Ceremonial. □

Check the Auditorium Calendar

If there is a show on, get here early, before 7:00 p.m. for a good parking place at the Temple. Tell the attendant you are a Mason and the charge is only \$1.00. □

Legion of Honor

By Leon J. VanHuben
Prophets, don't forget your tickets for the drawing at our Grotto Picnic on June 19th.

The Legion Picnic will be at Prophet Don McDill's cottage on July 21st.

The September meeting will be at Cartwright's Inn in West Henrietta. All will be contacted.

Have a healthy and relaxing Summer.

Patrol News

By Gordon Dodge, PM
A large turnout for the Patrol's Spring Fling was on hand on May 17th at the Red Men's Club on Lexington Avenue, where everyone enjoyed the great meals that the Red Men's Club is noted for on Fridays.

A fine evening to kick off the snow of Winter and the rains of April. Good fellowship and a renewing of friendships.

Remember the Patrol Picnic on August 10th in Henrietta Town Park. A flyer will be sent out to all on the roster sometime in July for reservations. See you at drill. □

Picnic Meeting

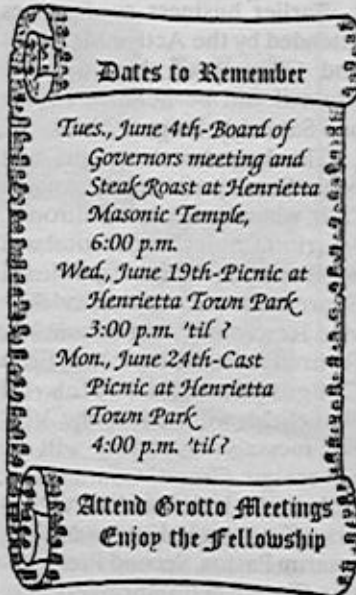
Note the change

June 19th is the date, at the Henrietta Town Park from 3:00 p.m. 'til?? Eat at 6:00 p.m., with fellowship to follow, as usual.

Prophets, this Picnic is open to all Master Masons, so bring a Brother Master Mason with you and show him what the Grotto is all about. We do have fun. □

Let's Play Golf

The Lalla Rookh Grotto Golf Tournament at Braemar Golf Club is just around the corner on Saturday, August 3rd. Tee time is at 10:30 a.m. and is open to all Masons and their friends. (See ad on this page). Make checks payable to Grotto Golf Tournament and list all players names in your group on a separate sheet of paper with your entry fee. □



Dates to Remember

Tues., June 4th - Board of Governors meeting and Steak Roast at Henrietta Masonic Temple, 6:00 p.m.

Wed., June 19th - Picnic at Henrietta Town Park, 3:00 p.m. 'til?

Mon., June 24th - Cast Picnic at Henrietta Town Park, 4:00 p.m. 'til?

Attend Grotto Meetings
Enjoy the Fellowship

E.S.G.A. Convention

A BIG thank you to all of the Prophets who helped the Committee Chairmen run a very successful Spring Convention of the Empire State Grotto Association. Special thanks go out to Venerable Prophet Ronald Morthorst and his wife, Marilyn, who did double duty after the General Chairman, PM Gordy Dodge, took ill.

The Friday night music and game of "Texas hold 'em" was the fun-filled highlight of the weekend.

Monarch, Earl DeSmith of Lalla Rookh Grotto (Rochester), along with the President of the Empire State Grotto Association, (Roy Fynboe of Aahmes Grotto, Binghamton) presented a plaque and checks totaling \$750.00 to Mrs. Molly Flaherty of the School of the Holy Childhood. This was in recognition of the care and love that they give daily to a large number of children and young adults with special needs. □

Information Line

Need an update on Grotto events and happenings, membership? Yes, we are taking in new Prophets every month. If you need a petition, information, help or assistance, call Ron on the Information Line at 334-4196. □



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Lalla Rookh Grotto

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vided allowing the resident to order from a menu offering three entrees. There is an emergency call system and 24 hour security, all included in the monthly rent. Also included in the rent is the heat, electricity, water and sewer, parking, outdoor and common maintenance and bi-monthly housekeeping. Private bus transportation provides trips to area grocery stores and shopping malls.

The focal of Acacia Village is the Community Center, known as the Village Commons. Located in this 28,000 square foot area of the 'Commons' is the indoor swimming pool, Jacuzzi, sauna, billiard room, beauty salon, library, cafe and private and common dining rooms.

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Special Activity

Makoto Nakura journeyed all the way from Tokyo to be the first marimbist to win the Young Concert Artists International Auditions and presented recital debuts in New York City and Washington, DC. This extraordinary marimbist is frequently featured at the Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts, has given recitals and Master classes at the Royal Academy of Music in London and is a member of Percussion Group '72, Japan's most prestigious ensemble.

Through the generosity of the Munson Williams Proctor Institute Young Artists Series, Makoto Nakura gave a concert in February at Acacia Village. Not only did he play the marimba with

gifted technique, but he captured the residents with his charming personality and extraordinary energy. Residents from Acacia Village, Wiley Hall and the Home's Health Facility, along with invited guests, were overjoyed with Makoto's performance. Makoto's dedication inspired everyone and his sensational performance will always be treasured.

George Trudeau and James Shermer of Munson Williams Proctor Institute have generously offered to continue to share future young artists, in their "Guest Artists Series", with the residents of Acacia Village. We are sincerely grateful to both gentlemen for making this a successful activity that left everyone wishing for more!!

Special events such as this complement the activities being held on a regular basis at Acacia Village. Some of these activities include arts and crafts, shopping trips to the mall, exercise class, swimming class, bridge and various other card games, sing-alongs, weekly movies and bingo. □

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Fifty Years Ago "To Order, Brethren!"

(A translation from the German of Dr. Gottlieb Imhof, MPS by Leo Fischer, FPS)

It has again and again been observed that in time of war and during the years following a war there has been a loosening of moral restraints even in circles that are wont to consider themselves as guardians of order and propriety.

It is, therefore, not astonishing that in our circles, also, a brief reference has to be made to what we have previously called a secularization of Masonry, that is, an endeavor to pattern, consciously or unconsciously, the life in our lodges after that of clubs and societies.

The writer entered the Fraternity of Masons at the beginning of the present century, that is, nearly forty years ago, in a lodge with a century old tradition. He stayed over ten years in pagan lands and did not return to his Mother Lodge until after World War I. There had been great changes in the meantime. In some respects a broader view was taken of matters than in the past, and much had been sacrificed to modernism, because the demand that we adapt ourselves to the modern age had found a ready reception in our midst. The modernists of those days surely meant well and we do not want to criticize what they did, even though we see the negative results which have now become apparent.

In the meantime World War II has come and gone. Again we hear the demand that we adapt ourselves to the new times, and so insistent has that demand become that we run the risk of losing our specific Masonic character and becoming mere "societies". From the latter we differ by the possession of our tradition, both internal and external, in the Lodge as well as in the National Grand Lodge, which has so far remained unshaken. That tradition finds its expression in a discipline which does not exist in mere societies. For this reason, the first and earnest admonition of the W.: Master when he calls the Lodge to labor is: "To Order, Brethren!"

This is a categorical exhortation to maintain the strictest discipline towards ourselves, our Brethren, and the Great Architect of the Universe.

The recognition of this categorical order and the strict adherence to it really embrace the entire contribution of Masonry to the upbuilding of the future. We only have to take our ancient duties seriously in order to satisfy the most exacting demands for a more moral world order. Instead of drifting along modernistic currents we must remain conscious of the ethical demands of the Royal Art, endeavoring to practice it faithfully in home and family, in our profession, in our community, and in our country, at the narrow frontiers of which, however Masonry should not stop.

One of the peculiar features of our Craft is the assumption and confirmation of a moral vow at initiations and promotions. It is discipline that is demanded of the Entered Apprentice and, in a higher degree, of the Fellow Craft and Master Mason - discipline with regard to his internal and external conduct. This vow is violated by him who, for example, remains away from his Lodge work for months and years, without good reason, but has not the courage to take the only action admissible under such circumstances. Another offender against Masonic discipline is the Brother who does not take the vow of secrecy seriously. Masonry has not imposed the command of silence because it has anything to conceal, but because it considers the duty of silence as a valuable educational means. Infinite harm has already been caused by thoughtless talk and gossip, much more than could have resulted from, perhaps, exaggerated secrecy. Do we learn anything that transpires behind monastery walls or in the session rooms of the administrative councils of great business corporations? However, it may well happen that a profane or former Mason is able to tell us what has happened in our lodge during our absence. Guilty of an offense against discipline are also those lodges who, despite reminders from the Grand Lodge fail to render the required reports in time, if they render them at all.

Here is additional evidence of the secularization process mentioned at the beginning. As a measure of outward discipline, the Brethren are required to appear at all ritualistic work in the dress prescribed by tradition. It is deemed improper to present oneself at the door in business or travel attire. Anyone guilty of such negligence would a generation ago have been inexorably rejected by the Master of Ceremonies. In those days even a colored necktie would have been sufficient cause for non-admission. That was not a stubborn insistence upon outward forms, but a strict application of an educational principle. The Mason is obliged, before attending any ritualistic work, to change clothes, to put on clean linen and festive raiment because that constitutes a period of preparation for the approaching ceremony. He must leave the concerns of every day life behind him and concentrate on what lies before him. The Brother who has no time for this external purification has still less time for an internal preparation and concentration and does not attain to the real state of preparedness. One cannot participate of the essence of Masonry by merely pecking at it.

An extremely strict observance of the proper forms is one of the characteristics of Anglo-Saxon Masonry. In the United States the Lodges are recognized schools of proper social conduct, and Masonic etiquette is rigorously adhered to wherever English is spoken. It was different in some of the Lodges of Latin jurisdictions. There one was able to witness social manners which reminded one more of a good old Swiss country tavern in midsummer than a Masonic Lodge. We fully realize that outer forms are not the whole thing and that they are apt to lead to a brainless abuse of etiquette such as the "Common Code" of the German students. But there is a middle road for the Mason who sincerely desires to maintain good traditional forms because he sees in them a useful means of social education. We fervently hope that we shall soon witness a relighting of lights and a reforging of broken links of the chain of union in the surrounding countries. May Masonry thus reborn have profited by the lessons of the past; may it rid itself of all old useless ballast, but revive all that is worthwhile of our ancient traditional tra-

tures. But we all must heed the admonition: "To Order, Brethren!"

-(Courtesy MNN, Article reprinted from March 1946 issue- The Philalethes, February 1996) □

BUILDING TOMORROW'S LEADERS

By Dr. Herbert W. Mower

Taking today's young men and turning them into tomorrow's leaders has always been one of the objectives of the Order of DeMolay. In 1963 the International Supreme Council, Order of DeMolay, started the Leadership Training Conference program. Although founded on solid principles, the program became too costly to be continued on a national basis.

Over the years, however, several local versions of this program have continued. Some have gained a national reputation. In DeMolay Region 1, which encompasses the jurisdictions of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut, there has been a regional Leadership Training Conference (LTC) in operation since 1992. During these four years, 178 young men have traded a week of their lives to become better leaders. In addition, 18 current or prospective Advisors have attended the Advisor Training portion of the program. Young men from all six New England states, New York and New Brunswick, Canada have attended the Region 1 LTC.

Why is such a program important? There are many reasons. First, does a seventeen year old know how to control a meeting where some of the members are eighteen, nineteen, or twenty? It is not the same as a Master running a meeting where some members are 10-35 years older. Then there are such questions as: How do I plan an event? How do I get adult (advisor) support? How do we finance our activities? How do we prepare to present proper ritual?

During the week-long LTC experience, which starts on a Sunday afternoon and ending the following Saturday morning, the young men spend over 23 hours in direct classroom type courses, 10 hours in a Chapter room setting learning how to plan activities for their particular group, 8 hours in ritual rehearsals, degree presentations, and competition, and 5 hours in fun activities which demonstrate the results of a well planned program. Oh, yes, we also provide 13 hours of sports activities, 3 meals and a snack daily, and a little spare time! Almost all of the activities, including the sports programs, help the young men become better leaders and to learn how to interact in a positive manner with their peers. In the area of ritual, the week includes a ritual competition where the DeMolays judge and critique the parts presented from memory by other DeMolays. Points are awarded for correct calls of errors and negative points deducted when a judge makes a wrong call. (You should see this in action.) The climax of the week is an outdoor DeMolay Degree performed by a cast selected at

the beginning of the week, followed by an impressive Rededication Ceremony.

As a part of the program, the young men are assigned to "Chapters" which intermix the ages, home Chapters, and jurisdictions represented. Thus, most DeMolays do not know their new Chapter members at the beginning of the week. However, as the week progresses, amazing fraternal bonds are developed and the spirit, as well as the lessons of LTC, are carried back to the home Chapters. The Advisor Training Program prepares those new to DeMolay or those young men about to turn 21 to be better advisors for their local Chapters. During the past four seasons, 18 have taken advantage of this program. It provides the basics skills needed, expands upon those skills with practical examples, and gives the participants an opportunity to put those skills into action with positive critiquing from the other members of the program and the staff. Staff members for this experience are Master Masons or Senior DeMolays who donate their time with no reimbursement (save a delicious steak and lobster dinner). Their dedication is something that you, as a fellow Mason, should be very proud of. It requires between 6 and 10 such dedicated individuals who are willing to give of their time and expertise.

Over the years 18 DeMolays or Advisors from New York have participated in this program. Since many Lodges, Grand Lodges, and other Masonic groups help support this program, we felt that we should let you know the great work you are doing.

If you have any DeMolays who are about to become a Councilor in their Chapter, recent (or about to be) Senior DeMolays whom you think might be a good member of your local DeMolay Advisory Council, or Advisors new to the world of DeMolay, why not suggest that such an LTC experience might be the ideal program for them.

(Information about the Region 1 Leadership Training Program can be obtained from Dr. Herbert W. Mower, 25 Buckboard Dr., Westford, MA 01886. For other LTC's contact the International Supreme Council, Order of DeMolay at 10200 North Executive Hills Blvd., Kansas City, MO 64153.)

About the author:

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Creative Mind Puzzle

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Can you decipher these picture words? Answers below.

1. Split level, 2. Wave good-bye, 3. Middle ages spread, 4. Getting up at crack of dawn, 5. Two car garage, 7. Three blind mice, 8. Safety in numbers, 9. Run away inflation, 10. Touchdown, 11. Drinks on the house, 12. Polka dots, 14. Suspended animation, 15. Blood count, 16. Scrambled eggs. If you can come up with answers for 5, 8 & 13, please let us in on it.

Acacia Tree

Quiz: How much do you really know about the Acacia Tree? Test yourself. Answers are located elsewhere in this edition.

- 1] There are hundreds of different types of Acacias. True False
- 2] True Acacias are associated with evergreen. True False
- 3] Acacias can grow as tall as 60 feet. True False
- 4] Many Acacias thrive in dry hot desert conditions. True False
- 5] Most Acacias are in the form of a shrub, not a tree. True False
- 6] True Acacias will not survive in our extreme climate. True False
- 7] Most Acacias display white to pink flowers in summer. True False

Quiz Answers: If you answered TRUE to all the questions... The big red ribbon around that green thumb of yours. If not, Congratulations, you learned something new!!
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DOMENICK M. RUFOLLO, 100, a Mason for 79 Years

by Diane C. Lore, Advance Staff Writer

Domenick M. Rufolo, 100, a man who came to personify Masonry on Staten Island, died in the Clove Lakes Health Care Rehabilitation Center, Castleton Corners, where he had been a resident for two years. Mr. Rufolo celebrated his 100th birthday Christmas Day, officially making him the oldest Mason in the state and the only Staten Island Mason to have ever reached the centennial mark. "He remains an inspiration to us all," said Karl Trache, District Deputy Grand Master and the highest-ranking Mason on the Island. Several days before his official birthday, his Masonic Brothers threw him a party. During the party, Mr. Rufolo, frail and in a wheelchair but still alert, declared, "Masonry has been an inspiration for all I've ever done, and all I'll ever do."

The Masons are one of the world's largest and oldest fraternal organizations. The group's aim is to promote brotherhood and foster morality among its members. The non-denominational organization donates millions of dollars annually to non-profit organizations. Mr. Rufolo, the diminutive white-haired Arrochar resident who was affectionately nicknamed Staten Island's "Little Mayor" and the "Grand Master," had been a Mason for 79 years, and had been accorded Masonry's highest honors in both the United States and abroad.

A 33rd Degree Mason -- the highest honor in the 600-year-old Fraternity -- Mr. Rufolo was a member of more than 27 Masonic Lodges and dozens of Masonic-related organizations, and had represented the Island at Masonic functions throughout the city and state, as well as in Italy. The dozens of honorary awards and certificates he had received over the years from his Masonic Brothers covered the walls of his home. "He had a billion plaques. Good God, he didn't need wallpaper," said Fiore A. Brusco, a member of the LaGuardia Lodge of Masons, who was a close friend and neighbor of Mr. Rufolo for more than 40 years.

Mr. Brusco told a story about running into Mr. Rufolo two years ago, as Mr. Rufolo was raking leaves in front of his house, the home he was forced to leave before the end of the year because of a broken hip he suffered in a fall while he was carrying out the garbage. "He asked how I was doing," said Brusco, and I said, "Busy. Worn out. So he said, 'Better to wear out than to rust out.' I thought, I have to remember this."

To those who knew him, Mr. Rufolo, who stood 5 feet, 1 inch tall, presented an almost elfin-like appearance. He sported a head of thick, curly white hair and twinkling eyes. And he had a very definite philosophy on life, health and longevity that he developed through his years in Masonry. "Your mind should never be crowded with worries, and you should avoid bad habits such as smoking and drinking to excess," he would say. As Masonic correspondent and director of public relations for more than 40 years, Mr. Rufolo was in charge of taking notes at each of the Masonic functions he attended, and delivering the information to the Advance and Masonic publications. He was responsible for meetings of the nine Island Lodges, as well as the Richmond Masonic Association and School, Tall Cedars of Lebanon, Knights Templar, Masonic Square Club and other Masonic Organizations.

In a cluttered corner of his home he had stored stacks of scrapbooks containing every Masonic-related article to appear in print. Although Mr. Rufolo announced his retirement as correspondent in 1986, he continued to bring Masonic news to the "Advance" almost until he entered the nursing home. Mr. Rufolo was one of the founders and the first Master of LaGuardia Lodge of Masons in 1949. He was also Historian of the Lodge and Grand Tiler for Grand Lodge for many years.

Perhaps his proudest moment in Masonry came in the fall of 1975, when Mr. Rufolo was coroneted the 33°, the highest honor in Scottish Rite, usually reserved for royalty and dignitaries. Another highlight of his Masonic career was his meeting and interview with then Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia at a Masonic function. "To me, Masonry is a way of life, a commitment to excellence," Mr. Rufolo said during one of several interviews with the "Advance". "It encourages you to do your best in life." Mr. Rufolo's introduction to Masonry began as a boy growing up in the small Italian town of Contursi, on Italy's famed Amalfi coast. The youngster noticed that all of the respected men in the town, the police chief, the lawyer and the judge, belonged to a group known as the Masons. "I associated the organization with the respect these men received," Mr. Rufolo told the "Advance". But Mr. Rufolo had to wait until his 21st birthday to be eligible to join the Masons.

In the meantime he decided to come to the United States, where he could earn a better living in his trade as a tailor. In 1913, Mr. Rufolo entered the United States through Ellis Island. Years later, in 1992, Mr. Rufolo returned to Ellis Island for the first time,

Accompanied by an "Advance" reporter and photographer, he spent an emotional visit recalling his passage by steamship to his new life in America.

Upon his arrival in the United States he went to live with his uncle in Manhattan's Little Italy. It wasn't long before he was able to open a small tailor shop on Mulberry Street. On his 21st birthday, Mr. Rufolo sought the sponsorship of a friend to join the Masons. He was accepted as a member of Manhattan's Cavour Lodge. Mr. Rufolo, meanwhile, had turned his skills as a tailor toward making formal wear for men. One of his first clients was composer, John Philip Sousa. Over the years his clients included pianist and conductor Eddy Duchin; violinist Isaac Stern; conductor Eugene Ormandy; John D. Rockefeller Sr., and Jackie Gleason.

Although he retired from business in the late 1970s, Mr. Rufolo continued to make his own formal outfits, which he wore to various Masonic functions. Until recently he traveled to Manhattan several times a year to purchase materials and supplies in the garment district, and he had maintained a small workshop behind his home.

Mr. Rufolo enjoyed gardening and listening to classical music. He took pride in his colorful garden, which he tended during the Spring and Summer months. He also maintained an extensive collection of classical recordings, including his personal favorites, Tchaikovsky and Puccini. Mr. Rufolo's wife, Mary, died in 1973. He is survived by a daughter, Nancy Rufolo Peluso. He passed away on February 6, 1996.

Prayer

By Luther A. Smith, 33°, Past Sovereign Grand Commander

To me prayer is not a matter of asking God for favors but it is the means by which I consciously feel His presence in my life. He is the Spirit, the Power, and the Explanation for the Universe. I am a spirit, and God is the Father of my spirit, and He is therefore part of me and I am part of Him, and there is between us a mutuality of understanding. There is no problem or perplexity, no fear, and no frustration. I open wide the windows of my soul, and the Divine Light flows quietly in, and I humbly thank God for the resulting Confidence and Courage that is mine. He has done all He can for me, the rest is with me - my intelligence, and my will. There is no emotion, no mystery, no formula, or dogma about it. When I fail or refuse to open the windows there is definite loss and damage to my power of mind and efficiency. When by voluntary act I open the window I guess that is prayer, and it is efficacious. God is always ready to come in when the way is open.

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By Wthy. Barbara Spano

Something to be happy about: lazily drifting on a raft; lying back and looking up, up, up.

Summer greetings

Just a reminder that the Grand Matron's Visit is June 7th at 8:00 p.m. at the Diplomat Banquet Center. See you there.

Lilac Luncheon

Join us for a lovely day with our Sisters at Oriskany on Wednesday, June 26th at 12 noon. The lunch choices are Chicken Cordon Bleu or Roast Pork with Stuffing. Lunch cost is \$9.00, reservations by June 14th to Rt. Wthy. Donna Laundry.

Fun, food, fraternalism

The Monroe District Jamboree (in conjunction with the 1996 Matrons) will be held on June 29th, 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. at the Mosque on Bay Road. There will be lots of surprises. This is a great time to bring friends or family members to an Eastern Star fun time. You never know, they may get interested in joining the Star.

Pilgrimage to Oriskany

The Pilgrimage is July 26th-27th. Friday, July 26th, is the Monroe District Dinner at the Holiday Inn. Cash bar at 5:30 p.m., with dinner at 6:30 p.m. The menu is a Roast Turkey Dinner with all the trimmings for \$15.00. Reservations should be made by June 22nd, with Rt. Wthy. Raymond DiJames. Make checks payable to Monroe District OES. Staying overnight? Same place and same instructions, the cost is a flat rate of \$89.00 (not including tax). On Saturday, go to the Home and enjoy all the activities, visit with our Sisters and check out that Day Care Center. You can get a great breakfast right there on the grounds. If you have never gone before, try it out, you will have a wonderful time. On Saturday night there is the Grand Matron's Dinner at Hart's Hill Inn. Cash bar is at 6:30 p.m., and dinner is at 7:30 p.m. The cost is \$20.00 for a Prime Rib Dinner. This is a formal dinner. Reservations to Rt. Wthy. Raymond by July 13th. Make checks payable to Monroe District OES and you need to let Rt. Wthy. Raymond know if you are sitting with your State Group or Monroe District.

August events

The Annual Chicken Bar-B-Q is set for August 10th. Serving 12 noon until 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, August 11th brings us to the Pancake Breakfast, which begins at 9:00 a.m. Help is needed for both events. Call Wthy. Evy Ann Heller at 621-5737 if you are able to work. This

is a Peaches 2 undertaking. Come on down and see Wthy. Evy Ann do the Chicken Walk at the Firemen's Field in Webster.

September happenings

The Homecomings schedule is: Rt. Wthy. Doreen Rhodes, September 6th at Fame Lodge at 8:00 p.m.; Rt. Wthy. Raymond DiJames, September 27th at Fame Lodge at 8:00 p.m.; and Rt. Wthy. Pat Lovett, September 30th at Etolian Lodge at 8:00 p.m.

On September 7th we will be having a District Walk-a-Thon; our objective this year is to help raise enough money for a little girl named Lisa. She lives in the Chautaugua District and has Cerebral Palsy and needs a special wheelchair. We do not have a time or place as yet, but we will be sure to let you all know.

Mt. Wthy. Wanda walked on May 25th with Mt. Wthy. Sandra Cleason in Olean. Mt. Wthy. Wanda wishes to thank all of the Sisters and Brothers who have contributed to this worthy cause by sponsoring her.

We do not have to choose our favorite among the seasons. It is only necessary to rejoice in the beauty of their differences.

Until next time, peace. ☐

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By Wthy. Linda Zahn

Past

Sunshine and rain, your trash-my treasure, all added up to a very profitable garage sale. Many, many thanks to all who donated items, purchased items and worked. We are indebted to the Mertens for the use of their garage, etc.

Present

The Birthday Banquet on May 19th was a Spring Fling, with lots of good food and fellowship. We also presented a Life Membership to Wthy. Effie Simpson, Sister Catherine Strassner and Rt. Wthy. Diana Woodruff in honor of 35 years of membership in Rochester Chapter. Thanks, Claudia, for all the time and effort you put into this. A job well done.

Future

The Picnic at Sister Dianne Johnson's will be July 14th. Watch your mail for more information. Don't forget, there will be a stuffed animal race. Start now to line up sponsors so you can pay the entry fee.

Joys and concerns

Rt. Wthy. Barbara and Rt. Wthy. Ron have a new granddaughter and Sister Gail Caraballo has a new grandson.

Wthy. Gail Clarke is in the hospital, as is Deavera Bundoc's husband, who was in an automobile accident. Hopefully both will be home by the time you receive your Times.

Best wishes

Many happy returns to Rt. Wthy. Thelma Fraser, who celebrates a birthday on June 6th. Thelma is recovering from cracked ribs. ☐

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By Wthy. Joy Woodley

June is busting out all over! The Spring flowers are all in bloom with a grand profusion of colors.

June events

On June 3rd the Edna Robinson Sewing Club invites everyone to join them for a Dutch Treat Lunch at noon at Shadow Lake, 1850 Five Mile Line Road, Penfield.

On June 4th there is a Tureen Supper at 6:30 p.m., and a Father's Day Program.

Our last Spaghetti Dinner for the Summer is June 7th.

Our Garage Sale will be June 13th and 14th from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The sale will be held at the home of Marion Neuert, 650 Klem Road, Webster.

We will be honoring our side-liners and Past Matrons and Patrons on June 18th. A picnic supper is planned for 6:30 p.m. Please call for reservations by Saturday, June 15th to Marion Neuert at 671-2457.

Remember the cookies that we are taking to the Ronald McDonald House on June 19th. The tour will start at 10:00 a.m. We will meet at 9:00 a.m. at the Webster Temple, to car pool.

Thanks

Thank you to all for the great support that has been shown to us. To all our Brothers of Webster Lodge, it has been a joy working together. Our association has been a most pleasant one and we are looking forward to the start of the Fall season. Warm friendship and good food is the menu.

"May the Lord watch between me and thee while we are absent, one from another."

NOLA Chapter No. 368

Order of the Eastern Star
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8:00 p.m.

Wthy. Mary Ann Sovacool
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Wthy. Jean Stewart
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20 South Main Street
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By Wthy. Avis Theis

We thank our Wthy. Matron and Wthy. Patron for their time and talents for the interesting meetings they have had.

Thinking of you

We send our best wishes to Wthy. Jessie Johnson, Wthy. Zim Sage, Sister Florence Thayer, Sister Eleanor and Brother Stewart Dick. Please get in touch with Sister Kathleen Skelton at 293-2052 if there is someone that should be remembered during the vacation.

June Picnic

Our June 4th meeting will be a picnic at the Riga Town Park on Buffalo Road, next to the Highway Department. Bring a dish to pass and your table service. We

will eat at 6:30 p.m. There will be an open meeting following the dinner. The Committee is Brother Charles and Sister Doris Daycock, Sister Ann and Brother Craig Mollon and Brother Rod Meier.

90 years

Our Birthday Celebration will be September 19th at the Party House on Beahan Road. We hope you will plan to come. Call your reservations in to Rt. Wthy. Susan Huff at 293-1301 or Rt. Wthy. Bill Baxter at 225-5284. It will help give us an idea how many to plan for. They will have the menu and price soon. All members will be honored and the new ones this year are: 60 years, Brother Ellis Erickson and Sister Eleanor Dick; 50 years, Wthy. JESSIE ZORN and Sister Florence Thayer; 40 years, Wthy. Vickie Gross and Sister Demaris Uttrich.

Summer sale

Our "Too Hot to Bake Sale" will be on all Summer, so help us out by sending whatever you can to Wthy. Vickie Gross, 875 Palmer Road, Churchville, NY, 14428, or to Chapter.

Past Matrons

The PM's will meet at my home, 3303 Washington Street, at a 12:30 luncheon, June 30th. Bring a dish to pass and your table service. Dessert and beverage will be furnished. RSVP by June 20th.

Keep well

We hope all will have a nice, restful Summer. "Every man should have his own garden, even if he has to help his wife work it."

Francis Hitchcock Shay Constellation



Erin Brooks
Exalted Star

1st & 3rd Sunday

Well, it's been quite a while between articles; deadlines come and go all too fast. This has been one very busy group of girls. We hit the ground running after last year's State Convention and set some pretty high goals for ourselves to achieve by this year's Convention.

Congratulations to the Monroe District's newest State Representative for the Youth Groups. Miss Jenelle Lynn Bahr was elected to the office of the Grand Exalted Star of Light and Love of the Grand Constellation of Junior Stars. She is our senior member of our Constellation, and we are all very proud of her. Jenelle is also a member of Corinthian/Fellowship Chapter, OES.

Other congratulations go out to Miss Erin Brooks, the new Grand Star of Protection, and also the recipient of the Edna T. Salvidge Service Award. We had four members place in this year's State Ritual Competition. In Category I, Miss Jamie Bahr, 1st Place; Category II, Miss Maryann Howard, 1st Place, Miss Nicole Passino, 2nd Place and Miss Jessica Denton, 3rd Place. Way to go, girls!

The Constellation also took home the pride of the State when it was announced Saturday evening that they had won the Constellation of the Year Award.

They worked very hard for points that are totaled up at the end of the year. It was very close, but they reached their goal, and we're all very proud of them.

On June 29th the Constellation will hold a Reception for Jenelle at the Clio Masonic Temple, Hilton, NY. Hope to see as many as possible there. Dinner is at 6:00 p.m. and the meeting is at 8:00 p.m. Look for your invitation in the mail soon.

The members will be holding a Bottle Drive and a Car Wash in the month of June. They will also be holding a Garage Sale during the Summer months. If any of you have anything you would like to donate, please contact Mary Kast at 392-3774. We will make arrangements to get the donations.

We are out and about, maybe not as visible as we have been in the past, but keep a look out. We are young and active, and always looking for new members. The upcoming Summer weeks include a trip to Seabreeze, Darien Lake, Annual District Picnic in Canandaigua, Oriskany, DeMolay Convention, and many other events. Check us out, we are on the move.

We would also like to thank the Council members and parents who have given so much of their time, energy and automobiles to make everything possible for our members. You're a great bunch to work with!

See ya all soon.

District No. 3 News

The word is out-District No. 3 is not only alive, but growing stronger by the day! With a lot of hard work from many points of the District, by this time next year we will be three Constellations strong.

Many of you may not realize just how large the 3rd District is for the Constellation of Junior Stars. Well, let me tell you. We cover Monroe, Livingston, Genesee, Wyoming, Wayne, Ontario/Seneca/Yates, and part of Orleans. Yes, that is a lot of territory to cover.

We have 2 active Constellations, with a 3rd well in the works. Where, you ask? In the West is the Frances Hitchcock Shay Constellation in Brockport, with Erin Brooks as Exalted Star and Mary Kast as Presiding Sponsor. In the East we have the Leigh Hargrave Constellation in the Newark/Palmyra area, with Andrea Qualartari as Exalted Star and Bonnie McFaul as Presiding Sponsor. The newest baby will arrive in the Southern part of the District with the reactivation of the Jennie M. Lord Constellation in the Honeoye area.

We are all very excited over the regrowth of the District. It was not too long ago that we stood

to lose the entire District. If you know of any young girls who may be interested in participating in one of our groups, please contact any of the area representatives.

The contacts for the different areas are as follows: Frances Hitchcock Shay, Western Area, Mary Kast at 392-3774; Leigh Hargrave, Eastern Area, Bonnie McFaul at 331-5926.

We thank the Ontario/Seneca/Yates Masonic and Eastern Star Districts for the outstanding support and enthusiasm with the reactivation. They have put a lot of time and energy into this, and the District members and Council cannot thank them enough.

If you know of any girls who would be interested in the soon to be reactivated Constellation in the Southern Area, you can contact one of 3 people: Mary Kast, Deanna Cooksey at (716) 986-4163 or Joyce Bidnick at (914) 638-3128.

Congratulations to all the District members for a super year, and to the newly elected and appointed State Officers from the District. Miss Jenelle Bahr, Grand Exalted Star of Light and Love from F.H.S. No. 8; Miss Amanda McFaul, Grand Star of Happiness from L.H. No. 61; and Miss Erin Brooks, Grand Star of Protection from F.H.S. No. 8. We hope your year is everything you want it to be!

Hope to see everyone at Jenelle's reception in Hilton. Come help the District off to a terrific year!

Junior Star Elect Officers

By Bonnie L. McFaul

The 34th Annual Convocation of the Constellation of Junior Stars was held at Watson Homestead, Coopers Plains, NY, from April 18th to the 21st. This Annual Convention was attended by girls from all over the State. It is a time for making new friends and seeing old ones and also time to elect, appoint and install their new State Officers for the following year. The Constellation is a Masonic youth organization that is open to all girls between the ages of 11 and 21.

During this time, there is a lot of fun and also hard work. There are so many things going on, it is hard for the girls to decide exactly what to do. They can involve themselves in as little or as much as they want. Games, swimming, practices for installation, and Ritual classes fill up the days pretty quickly. In the evening, they decide who is going to get 'pied' (the girls bid on pudding pies to cream their new and old officers) and usually have a Rededication Ceremony and dance.

By Saturday morning, they are pretty sure who they want as officers and hold their elections.



Mt. Wthy. Richard Mason, Grand Patron, O.E.S., Miss Jenelle Bahr, Grand Exalted Star, FHS Const., Mt. Wthy. Sandra Cleason, Grand Matron, NY, O.E.S. and Miss Amanda McFaul, Grand Star of Happiness, Lee Hargrave Const. at the 34th Annual Convocation of the Constellation of Junior Stars at Cooper's Plains, NY.

On Saturday evening the Grand Matron, Mt. Wthy. Sandra Cleason (Palmyra Chapter, Wayne District) and the Grand Patron, Mt. Wthy. Richard Mason of the Order of the Eastern Star, installed the new officers of the Constellation of Junior Stars. This year's Grand Exalted Star, Miss Jenelle Bahr, is from Monroe District and a member of Frances Hitchcock Shay Constellation. Miss Amanda McFaul, Grand Star of Happiness, is from Wayne District. She is a member of Leigh Hargrave Constellation.

In Memoriam

April

Frank, Philip A.

Death claimed Philip on April 19th. He was a member of Germania Lodge No. 722 and is survived by his wife, Rosemary, children, granddaughter and great-granddaughter.

Clark, Porter A.

Porter was a member of Henrietta Lodge No. 526 and passed away April 20th. He is survived by his wife, Catherine, and other family members.

Davis, John E.

Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge No. 1088 lost a member when John died on April 21st. He is survived by his wife, Barbara, children, and other family members.

Murphy, Edwin M.

Edwin died April 21st in Florida. He was a member of Rochester Consistory, Damascus Temple Shrine, and the Royal Order of Jesters. Survivors include his wife, Flora, son and grandson.

Boekhout, Kenneth I.

The Great Architect Above called Kenneth home on April 24th at the age of 82. A member of Rochester Consistory, he is survived by his wife, Gwen, children, grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

Owens, Richard J.

Richard died suddenly on April 28th. He was a member of Etolian Lodge No. 479 and is survived by his wife, Melva Ann, children, and 5 grandchildren.

May

Rankin, Dale E.

Dale was a 34 year member of Etolian Lodge No. 479, where he served as Master in 1977. He died on May 3rd and is survived by his children and 6 grandchildren.

Smith, Thurlow E.

A member of Constellation Lodge No. 404 and Batavia Commandery, Thurlow died on May 5th at the age of 82. He leaves his wife, Onalee, children and 6 grandchildren.

Bridge, Irving S.

Irving was a member of Flower City Lodge No. 910 and Rochester Consistory. He died May 14th and is survived by his children and 3 grandsons. His daughter and son-in-law are Brenda and Erwin Newell.

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

Means, Byron C.

A member of Etolian Lodge No. 479, Byron passed away April 18th.

Hoover, Rev. Paul R.

Valley/Simes Lodge No. 109 and Rochester Consistory lost a member with the death of Paul on May 1st.

Masonic Activities Looking Ahead

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

1996

- Sept. 19-22 Grand Commandery, Rochester, New York
Rochester Marriott Thruway
- Sept. 26 School of Ritual, Etolian Lodge, Spencerport
- Sept. 30 Finger Lakes Chapter Philalethes
- Oct. 9 O.E.S. Testimonial Dinner, Grand Chapter
- Oct. 8-10 O.E.S. Grand Chapter Sessions, Rochester
- Oct. 23 Grand Lecturer's Convention

1997

- Jan. 30 Finger Lakes Chapter, Philalethes
- Apr. 30 Finger Lakes Chapter Philalethes
- July 10-13 New York Council of Deliberation
Rochester
- Oct. 25 Grand Master's Town Meeting, Area 15
Downtown Temple, Rochester

Arena's Banquet Center P.O. Box 306, Webster, NY 14580, (716)872-4000, Jay Arena	Diplomat Banquet Center & Hotel , 1 Diplomat Way, Gates, NY 14606, (716)647-1566
Avon Inn 55 East Main St., Avon, NY 14414, (716)266-8181	Maplewood Inn 3500 East Ave. Rochester, NY 14618 (716)381-7700 See Pat
Burgundy Basin Inn 1361 Marsh Road, Pittsford, NY 14537, (716)248-2660	The Party House 677 Beahan Rd. Rochester, NY 14624, (716)235-5654
Cartwright Inn 5691 W. Henrietta Rd. Henrietta, NY 14586, (716)334-4444	Red Men's Party House 1001 Lexington Ave., Rochester, NY 14613, (716) 254-6220

Ark of Covenant

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into what is now Ethiopia. In recognizing the approaching destruction, these Jews, in all likelihood, would have made provisions for their most prized possession, the "Ark of the Covenant".

The Falashas of Ethiopia, a Jewish people, are the likely descendants of the Jews who evacuated Elephantine Island during the 5th Century B.C. following the destruction of their Temple. It is noteworthy that even today these people think of themselves as "exile" from the "Promised Land".

Could the Ark of the Covenant be in Ethiopia today? At the present time, no one can say with certainty, but it would seem not beyond the realm of possibility. (Excerpt from the 1993 proceedings of the Georgia Lodge of Research. Valley of Corning, January, 1996) □

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Edison Rehs. a.m.
East Grad. p.m.

Sat. June 22nd
Edison Grad.

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Calendar June 1996

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