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Six Area Cryptic Masons Honored with Grand Council Duties



Rt. III. Douglas S. Poole - DD 8th Cryptic District, M. III. Raymond Beardsley - Grand Treasurer, Rt. III. Charles M. Roberts - Grand Steward, Rt. III. E. William Whittaker - Grand Captain of the Guard and Rt. III. William R. Zufall - Grand Lecturer.



Rt. III. Stephen A. Licht (left) at Grand Council Installation.

By M. III. Raymond Beardsley
At the Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons held August 14-15, at the Treadway Inn in Owego, NY, a number of York Rite Masons from the Rochester area were honored with elections or appointments to the Grand Council. This is a distinct honor for Doric Council No. 19 of Rochester and Nun-Da-Wa-Ga Council No. 92 of LeRoy.

Officers

Rt. III. E. William Whittaker, Grand Captain of the Guard, Rt. III. Stephen A. Licht, Grand Standard Bearer, and I, Grand Treasurer were elected.

Two Past Illustrious Masters of Doric Council No. 19 were honored with appointments in the Grand Council: Rt. III. Douglas S. Poole was re-appointed DDGM, 8th Cryptic District and Rt. III. William R. Zufall was appointed to the important office of Grand Lecturer.

Grand Line

One of the most significant events of this Annual Assembly was the election of Rt. III. Charles M. Roberts, Past Illustrious Master, Doric Council, to the Grand Line as Grand Steward, which denotes that Doric Council again has a member in line to become Grand Master.

The Grand Master, M. III. Paul B. Matthews, hails from the lower Hudson River region and is from Peekskill Council No. 55. The Deputy Grand Master, Rt. III. Douglas J. Swan is from Corning Council No. 53.

How DeMolay is Making a Difference



Honorary camp founder, Dustin Hoffman with campers.

Have you ever heard of collecting a million pennies? Here is how DeMolay is making a difference in Southern California by doing just that!

The Southern California Jurisdiction, Order of DeMolay, has joined hands with Ronald McDonald in support of Camp Ronald McDonald for Good Times, the largest year-round recreational camping program for children with cancer and their families, in the nation.

The Jurisdiction is raising money via several different events. One fundraiser, soon to be completed, has each Chapter collecting pennies. The Jurisdiction keeps a running count of all Leagues and Chapter contributions. There will be a "Penny Pincher" Award presented at DeMolay's Conclave to both the Chapter and League who collects the most pennies.

Another fundraiser, to commence soon, will be the miracle "quarter" mile, where by a mile of quarters, laid end to end, will be collected in much the same manner as the million pennies.

DeMolay involvement, to date, has helped provide young cancer patients and their families with residential camping experiences, local field trips, parties, reunions and travel, at no cost.

Children with cancer have a 70% chance of survival. Because of the camp, they have access to a broad range of childhood activities otherwise denied. They also learn how much they can do.

All the programs promote teamwork, sportsmanship, perseverance, the sense of personal competency, which is needed to succeed in school and work, and, most of all, friendship, fun and laughter.

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The Purple Club of the Monroe Districts

Would be honored to have you attend the

Incoming
Grand Lodge Officers
Apron Presentation
&
Outgoing
Grand Lodge Officers
Retirement Dinner

Saturday, November 7, 1998

Dinner Buffet
The Party House
677 Beahan Road

Social time: 6:00 p.m.

Dinner: 7:00 p.m. - Cost \$18.50

Reservations: Herbert Spencer, 884 South Ave., 14620-2319
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Help Needed for Camp DeMolay Fall Clean-up

A group will be meeting at 8:30 a.m. every Thursday morning during the month of October at the Shrine Mosque on Bay Road, Webster. They will then proceed to Camp DeMolay.

The objective is to clean up brush, cut weeds and grass, clean-up and repair buildings and do general maintenance at the Camp. This work is essential to shutting down the Camp for the season.

Be prepared to work a maximum of six hours. Bring work clothes and gloves; lunch will be provided. For more information call: Bill Hook at 671-6452.

Update! Fifty - Seventh Interfaith Service & Breakfast

Sponsored by the Masonic Service Bureau
Sunday, October 4, 1998

Leading Services

R. W. and Rev. Paul R. Gleason, Jr.

Also Featuring

39th Distinguished
Community
Service Award

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Master of Ceremonies

Monroe County Sheriff Andrew P. Meloni

Location

Logan's Party House, 1420 Scottsville Road

Service - 9:00 a.m./Breakfast - 10:00 a.m.

Your Service Bureau Representatives have tickets!

Tickets \$10.00, sales limited to 400.

Help!!!

Help!!!

Help!!!

We are in dire need of volunteers to clean "Home Care" equipment for the Masonic Service Bureau Loan Program.

If you have a couple of hours a week that you could spare, it would be gratefully appreciated. Bring along a friend!

For information call the Service Bureau at 473-4351.

Shrine Circus



October 8, 9, 10, 11

Friday 1:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.

Saturday 10 a.m., 1:30 p.m.

& 7:30 p.m.

Sunday 1:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.

New Feature "Lodge Rentals"

The Masonic Times will list your Lodge in a special ad if you desire to rent your facility. See back page.

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Editor's Corner

By Don Brugger
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Deadline again?

I am glad that more people are cognizant of our deadline. However, it seems that many are upset because they have to do some guessing when it comes to events that happen after that time. Unfortunately, we cannot do our planning (how many pages) without knowing how much news we will have. Don't use our reasonable deadline as an excuse for not getting your articles in on time.

I have informed contributors that they can make additions, corrections or updates to their submitted articles up to the time we go to press. If this is news to you, please take note. Chronologically this means that you have until the third or sometimes the fourth week of the previous month to do this. We normally aim for the 20th for delivery of the *Times* to the printer. This allows the Post Office plenty of time to get the paper to our readers before the first of the month. Most Lodges will have had at least one meeting under their belts by then. Events occurring the last two weeks of the month are next month's news. End of statement.

False economy

There are some who would like us to believe that Lodge newsletters are comparable to a District newspaper. There are others who would have us believe that the cost of a District newspaper is prohibitively high and can be done without. There are still others who would use the District newspaper as a bargaining chip to obtain increased attendance.

The District newspaper, in our case the *Masonic Times*, is not any of these. The *Masonic Times* is an organ for the dissemination of Masonic news throughout the Districts who subscribe. It is an advertiser of Masonic ideals and purposes. It is a means to stay in touch with the shut-ins, with Brothers who are not presently in the area, to families of Masons, to widows and with other Districts and Masons. It is a means for Masons to learn about Concordant and Appendant Bodies of the Fraternity and keep abreast of District events. It is a means for Grand Lodge Officers to get out their message to those who do not attend their Lodges on a regular basis. It is a newspaper read in England, Canada, Thailand,

Spain, Japan, Germany and the Philippines. It is these things and many more. What a bargain for only four bucks a year. Even at \$7 it's less than 2 cents a day. □

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Gifts

The gift of love keeps on giving. What's more, it returns even more. Yes, your loving gifts of financial support are always helpful, but equally important is your gift of time. The Service Bureau needs people to clean and repair medical equipment and many helpful hands can be used at Camp DeMolay. The Camp needs people to do remodeling, normal maintenance, including painting, cutting and cleaning up branches, as well as cutting the grass and weeds. Whatever your abilities are, we can use you!

Interfaith Service and Breakfast

Jay McCullough has rekindled the Interfaith Service and Breakfast, which the Service Bureau has sponsored for many years in the past. The Service Bureau, its Officers and Directors, need your support on Sunday, October 4th at Logan's Party House. The cost is \$10.00 and all Lodges have tickets. Additional tickets may be obtained from Jay. This should be a MUST on your calendar.

Something to think about

A young man asked God how long a million years was to Him.

God replied, "A million years to me is just like a single second in your time." Then the young man asked God what a million dollars was to Him. God replied, "A million dollars to me is just like a single penny to you." Then the young man got his courage up and asked, "God, could I have one of your pennies?" God smiled and replied, "Certainly, just a second." (From *Bits and Pieces*)

Please, do not wait a second to make your contribution to your Masonic Service Bureau. □

The Masonic Service Bureau of Rochester Inc. Loan Closet

The Masonic Service Bureau Loan Closet, supported by area Masons, makes available items for home care to the Community at no cost. The Closet is open 9:00 a.m. to noon, Monday thru Friday. Items must be picked up and returned.

Equip. Type	On loan
Bathtub equip.	81
Bed (Access.)	2
Canes	102
Commodos	91
Crutches	221
Walkers	182
Wheelchairs	122
Miscellaneous	10
Total	811

MSB Community Service

By Harold Bollotin

Events

No events have occurred since the last issue.

The Annual Al Sigl Center Walk-a-Thon will again be held at Marketplace Mall on Sunday morning, November 1st.

I have been requested by the Center to provide magicians and clowns which I have agreed to do in the name of the Masonic Service Bureau. □

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The Al Sigl Center Concession Tent at the Penfield Home-a-rama.



Al Sigl Center Official, Debra J. Salmon, with volunteers, Sylvia and Harold Bollotin. (Photos courtesy Harold Bollotin)

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Final Round of Golf

Benefit for the Brockport Lakeside Foundation



Columbus Day
Monday, October 12, 1998
Dearfield Country Club
(27 hole course)
Tee Times Start at 8:00 a.m.

What you need: Registration Fee of \$5.00 plus a minimum of \$30 in pledges (\$1.67/hole). A camera to record those fantastic swings.

What you get: Golf cart, lunch at the turn, unlimited golf and an opportunity for fellowship and friendly interlodge competition.

What you have to do: Contact Don Brugger for an application form or pick one up at the Foundation Office in Brockport (let Don know if you are participating). Deadline October 5th.

Last year Etolian and Wakan/Hubbard Lodges and the Grotto participated in raising \$1300. Let's increase the participation and contributions this year!

In keeping with the founding tenets of DeMolay, to protect and defend the less fortunate and to impart, promote and encourage charity and good citizenship: DeMolay is proud to be involved with Camp Ronald McDonald for Good Times.

If you would like more information on how you may help or become involved with DeMolay, please contact: DeMolay International, 10200 N. Executive Hills Blvd., Kansas City, MO 64153-1367 or call (816) 891-8333. □

What we need

Some thoughts on leadership

What all Masonic organizations need most is leadership. We need people who are willing to take responsibility for the office to which they have given their assent to be nominated for and were elected to.

If they are not totally familiar with the workings of the organization and the responsibilities of the office, they should make an effort to find out what is expected of them. Of course, they should have done this while filling subordinate positions, but unfortunately, these days that is not always possible.

Delegate

Organizations have members who have successfully lead them at one time or another. You don't have to re-invent the wheel, just ask questions. Find out what is expected. Seek out people who have the same goals and are willing to work. Delegate authority. No one can do the job alone.

We need some one who wants to do his best for the benefit of the organization. It must be some one who will advance the organization by fostering loyalty and increasing membership. His goal must be to leave the organization in better condition than when he became presiding officer. He must either accept these responsibilities or vacate the position and allow some one who has the best interests of the organization on top of their priority list.

What is not needed

We do not need philosopher-despots who use the office to pronounce, pontificate and feed their egos. We need cool heads and communicators.

No organization, not even the strongest, can afford a weak leader nor some one who is not willing to dig in and give it his "best shot". □

Grand Lodge Veterans Service Committee



R. W. THOMAS M. PAQLIA
REPRESENTATIVE
& UPSTATE COORDINATOR

Highway Dept. benefits

The long awaited news is out as to where the monies used for veterans care is going. It seems that our Congressmen and Senators are looking out for themselves because it is an election year, they have nicely sent the monies to the Highway Dept.

This is so they can get more votes. It seems that getting votes is more important than taking care of those who have given their all to keep this country safe. They do not have to worry about their health care because they are taken care of when they leave office and on top of that, they receive a good pension.

Bad changes

The Medical Managed Care Line has many changes in progress, some good, some not so good. First is the new name for Care Line-from Medical Managed Care to Medical VA Care.

The bad news: 1) The Monitored Bed Unit closed on September 1, 1998. 2) The Acute Care Bed Unit will close October 2nd. 3) The Outpatient Emergency Area will be closed after hours on October 2nd. 4) It is also rumored that Canandaigua and Bath Medical Centers will merge, who will merge with whom has not been said.

Two years ago there were around 1200 veterans at Canandaigua, now there are less than 300. The Staff of 900 or better has been reduced drastically and there will be about 100 more to go around January, 1999. They are not being let go now because they feel it would not be justified because the holidays are coming up.

Good changes

1) The integration with Rochester and Buffalo outpatient files, of which there are 7,000, have been downloaded to the Canandaigua VA Medical Center. This means that if all of the files are in one location, it will be easier to get someone's file, since both our areas will be under one jurisdiction. 2) The two outside health care companies who were supposed to take over some wards will not. 3) Ward 9A, which was closed, will now be opened and serve some veterans with certain medical problems. 4) Primary Care Teams have been instituted at Rochester Outpatient Clinic. 5) Seneca Depot and Geneseo Community Based Outpatient Clinic are progressing well. 6) There may be some Rochester satellite locations. This means you will be able to be taken care of in these areas, more to follow. Stay tuned. 7) Also being renewed is a VA/DOD contract with the Rochester Marine Corp Reserve Center for physical exams and dental exams. This is for the enlisted military RESERVE personnel. Wish they had this when I was in the service!

Blessed are the volunteers

For 1997, the nationwide hours for 53,518 volunteers of 57 different organizations was 8,483,939 hours. IF AN HOURLY RATE OF \$9.00 PER HOUR WAS PAID, IT WOULD AMOUNT TO \$76,355,451. Just think if the volunteers did not do this, the veterans would not have some services provided for them. These volunteers are the unsung heroes. God Bless each and everyone of them.

Hours served

Our local Masonic volunteers, of which there are only 16, have served the following amount of hours. This does not include the Eastern Star and other associated Masonic groups because they receive their own reports. This report is from October, 1997 to June, 1998. Total amount of hours served is 1,003 hours. Harold and Sylvia Bollotin, and June Moon-32 hours each; Stanley Bushart-283 hrs. (Stanley Bushart spends many hours there); Stanley Denearing-74

hrs; Lawrence and Margaret Hood- 68 hrs. each; Austin Keith-26 hrs.; Cora Paglia 36 hrs.; Tom Paglia-99 hrs.; Doris and Paul Robertson and Don Rose-12 hrs. each; and William Whittaker-219 hrs. He was in charge of the Printing Shop at this Medical Center and then retired and now goes back as a volunteer to help in the same shop. Courtland Young has 7 hrs.

So you see, our group contributed over \$9,000. To each of you, thank you from the veterans and from the bottom of my heart. You are very special people.

Our group has the psychiatric ward and it takes a special kind of people to care for them and this group does it very well. They give the loving care and attention these veterans need. Some of them go to different wards during the week to give the same attention. To all Masons, Eastern Star, Nile, Order of DeMolay, and youth groups, thank you very much for your assistance. God Bless you all with a good, healthy life. □



By Harold Bollotin

Regular Ward visitations

On Sunday afternoon, October 11th, the first ward visit of the Fall season will be made to Building 36, Ward B, our usual location. According to Tom Paglia, there has been no change as yet.

On Sunday afternoon, November 8th, a ward visit is scheduled for the same location.

Special events

The Annual Holiday Gift Wrap Session and Gift Distribution will be held in December, at dates to be announced.

Appreciation

I sincerely thank our Editor, Don Brugger, for his wonderful inclusion and display in the last issue, of my article and many selected photos regarding the Bath VAMC Memorial Day Observance. I thank him for his advice and assistance in the selection and display of my photographs. It was greatly appreciated. □

Financial Planning Solutions

Gerald J. Glaser
716-442-5825

[A series of discussions of problems encountered in financial planning. Should you have any questions or desire further information, don't hesitate to call this writer].

The "Financial Planning Solutions" column was one of the victims of the recent power outage that resulted from the unusual thunder storms which hit the area on Labor Day. We have repeated an article that appeared in the Times in December of 1991. It was one of the first of this series.

Every person or family should either do a Financial Planning Profile (on their own) or have a competent Financial Planner do one for them.

Each of us has three estates. They are:

A living estate, which is to say that if one lives until retirement (this is called living too long) one should plan to have sufficient capital (available) to support themselves in the style to which they are accustomed.

A disability estate which is to provide for his requirements in the event of a permanent disability.

A death estate to provide his survivors with sufficient resources to maintain their way of life as though the principal were still alive.

It is a fact that over 90% of the citizens of this country have problems in their three estates because they failed to plan properly. You, the reader, are urged to do something about it.

Financial Planners

There are two types of Financial Planners; fee based and non-fee based. A fee based planner is supposed to be objective and charges a fee for his services. When his recommendations are made the client can, theoretically, buy the products from anyone (he or she chooses). A non-fee based planner works without charge and makes his living on what he sells.

From my point of view, a Planner is supposed to obtain the most mileage (for the customers investment). If he charges a fee, then you pay another fee for the products you purchase, that is not obtaining the maximum efficiency (for your money).

Whatever your point of view, you are urged to obtain a Financial Planning profile (for yourself and your family). □

Your Legal Rights FYI

By Bro. Phillip Hurwitz, Esq.

Returning from abroad

Do you know how much "stuff" you can bring back with you from abroad without having to pay a custom's duty?

Regardless if the value of the "stuff" you are bringing back from abroad is worth less than any exemptions, the law requires that you declare it. The fact that you may be wearing this stuff does not exempt you from declaring its value.

Value is defined as the fair retail value of that stuff brought back from the country where acquired. So, for example, an electric razor worth \$35 Canadian would keep that value for customs purposes, even if it costs more in the US.

As a general rule, you can bring back with you to the US up to \$400 of stuff free of duty. To qualify for this treatment, this stuff must have been acquired for your own personal or household use, and entered the US with you. This means that if this stuff were shipped to follow you at a later date, then it cannot be applied to your \$400 exemption. You must be returning from a stay abroad of at least 48 hours (Mexico and US Virgin Islands excluded). This means that if you are coming from an overnight in Toronto, you can only exempt up to \$25 of stuff intended for your own use.

This \$400 exemption, or any part of it, can only be used once every 30 days, even if you used only part of it. This means that if you spent the week in Toronto, and declare your purchases, you would have to wait another 30

days before you could use your \$400 exemption again.

This \$400 exemption has its limitations. You cannot bring back \$400 worth of liquor, cigars and cigarettes. The most that can be brought back duty free cannot exceed one carton of cigarettes (200) and 100 cigars (Cuban are OK provided they were purchased by you in Cuba). One liter of booze can also be brought back duty free, unless state law of the state where you live, is more restrictive.

The head of a family is allowed to make a joint declaration for all members residing in the same household and returning together to the US.

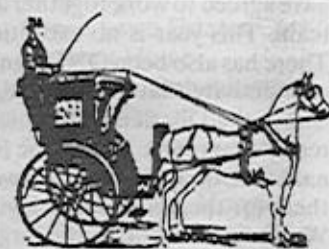
Family members who elect this joint declaration, are allowed to combine their personal exemptions, even if the stuff acquired by one member of the household exceeds the personal exemption allowed. This means that a family of five can bring \$2000 worth of stuff back to the US duty free. Except for booze, infants and children enjoy the same exemptions as adults.

If you are ineligible to claim the \$400 exemption because of the 30 day or 48 hour limitations, then you can bring up to \$25 of stuff back with you duty free. This \$25 exemption cannot be grouped with other family members. Up to 50 cigarettes, 10 cigars or 4 oz. of alcohol can be brought back duty free under this \$25 exemption.

You can have "bona fida" gifts of not more than \$200 in fair retail value, shipped to friends and family from abroad, duty free. The limitations are that this recipient cannot receive more than \$200 in gift shipments in one day. "Day" means the day in which the recipient received the gift.

If you are bringing back gifts with you intended for others, then the \$400 exemption applies.

This information has been obtained from US Customs Publication 512. You can view this publication online at <http://www.customs.treas.gov/travel/kbygo.htm>. Other customs related information can also be found online at <http://www.customs.treas.gov/>. □



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By R.W. Don Darrohn

Work has commenced

Lodges are awakening for this year's labor. The officers are dusting off their Ritual books and honing their presentation skills. Brother Bring-a-Friend Programs have been scheduled or have already been held. Your calendar has become your gatekeeper. The Craft is at work! Each Lodge going about its labor, focusing on their needs and their contribution to the community in which they reside. Welcome back to the quarries, Brethren!

Re-Commitment

There are two Masonic Districts in Monroe County. For years the Grand Lodge Officers have agreed to work together as a team. This year is no exception. There has also been ONE significant activity that all the Lodges within the Districts have consistently supported. That is the Ronald McDonald House! We were there for the cornerstone laying. We have been one of the largest financial contributors to that facility. In recent years your efforts may have waned, and the results of our labors for Ronald McDonald House, although substantial, have been somewhat diminished. The Grand Lodge Officers are asking all Brethren for their commitment to support this community resource.

Meetings have been scheduled at the Home Away from Home for Lodge Officers of both Districts. Due to space limitations at

the Home, we have had to schedule two separate meetings. Lodge Officers will be receiving a letter from their District Deputy identifying date and time.

Masonic Library

We have a unique resource that very few Brethren take advantage of. The Masonic Library is located adjacent to the Masonic Service Bureau, Downtown Temple, 3rd floor. We are most appreciative of R.W. Jay McCullough and his son, Michael, for their efforts in bringing order and Library Science out of confusion. We encourage all Brethren to take advantage of this facility to stop by and borrow a book. You will be enlightened.

Brotherhood Fund

The Brotherhood Fund...do you know what that money is used for? Did you know that the Grand Master utilized some of his discretionary dollars earlier this year to open Lodges in the Northern portions of the State to aide individuals effected by the Ice Storm. Other \$\$\$'s go to support programs such as Drug Free School Zones. Another significant area receiving funds is the Masonic Medical Research Laboratories. This facility has gained international prominence as a medical research institute, especially in the area of experimental cardiology. Brothers, last year for the entire State we had a participation level of 27%. Our Brotherhood Chairmen, Donald Rose-1st Monroe, and Michael Herrmann-2nd Monroe, will be visiting the Lodges to challenge our Brethren to attain our stated goal of 55% participation within the Monroes. Please remember the Brotherhood Fund so that Together We May Build!

Masters and Wardens

Saturday, September 13th, was the first meeting of this year's Masters and Wardens. We had 12 of the 19 Monroe Lodges present. Thank you to all the Brethren who came out for this meeting. Meetings are now scheduled usually on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 10:00 a.m. Locations will be moved around the District. Keep in mind that the Lodge Deacons are now being encouraged to come and participate. □

By R.W. David Jones

Renewed commitment

R.W. Don Darrohn and I wish to let you know we are asking for a renewed commitment to the Ronald McDonald House in Rochester. Lodge officers will be given tours of the facility to reawaken our awareness of their monumental contribution to our community. The "Have-a-Heart, Buy-a-Heart" Campaign is our main means of support for the House. W. Brian Keery of Etolian Lodge will be the Chairman of this year's Campaign. He will need your help to make the 1999 Valentine's week a success.

Changes

Have you ever heard, "we've never done that", or "that takes

too much work"? When you join a Lodge, you enter a family whose personality and character are already established. You can change it, but it takes time.

How would you like to join a Lodge where you will be a charter member? A Lodge where you will set the tone and personality of the Lodge. The idea has been put forward to charter a NEW Lodge in Monroe County. A Lodge for the new century approaching. A Lodge respectful of the past, and newly dedicated to our principles of Friendship, Morality and Brotherly Love. You can participate in this forward looking plan by contacting me.

Are your sons and grandsons Masons? Have you instilled in them the desire to follow in your footsteps? Masonry has much to offer, but YOU must let them know what it is we do. Start your membership drives with those closest to you.

Keep Masonry in your heart. Do something positive each day to help your fellow man. A better world starts with you.

As R.W. Rich Friedman would say... "see you in the quarries". □

Grand Lodge Staff Officers

of the Monroes

R.W. Ruel R. Lovett
Grand Sword Bearer
494-2546



R.W. William D. Spillane
Grand Director of Ceremonies
436-0264

Time and Space

By R.W. Ruel Lovett

In the Entered Apprentice Degree we learned to divide our time into twenty-four equal parts. We each have 24 hours in the day. To some this is a long and boring period. To others, it is a time of opportunity, a time to produce ideas, a time to work and produce physical products which may benefit mankind. To some it is a time of misery and grief. Still, to some, it is a time for a mixture of all of these.

To the Mason, time affords us an opportunity for the service of our Supreme Master, time to show friendship to a worthy Brother, time for hospitality and generosity, time for our usual vocations, and finally, a time for refreshment and rest. If time does not exist, as some would have us believe, how then can we accomplish so much? We must, therefore, believe that time does exist.

There are those who believe that space does not exist. How then can the Rough Ashlar be shaped into the Perfect Ashlar to fit the builder's use? We must believe that space does exist or the great edifices of the world would not exist. Therefore, space and time must exist concurrently. Could our minds believe otherwise?

When space and time are in agreement, Michaelangelo can produce a "David", or a painting on the ceiling of the Cistine Chapel. Plato and Aristotle can produce in their minds that which their hands cannot yet produce. The Egyptians could build pyramids.

The Incas could build their pyramid-like creations. The Arabians could perceive numbers. The Greeks could produce buildings of great magnitude and beauty. Magellan could navigate the world. The Wright Brothers could fly a "heavier than air" craft. Eiffel could build his Tower. An unknown engineer could construct the Sphinx. Lindburg could cross the Atlantic Ocean alone in an airplane. Ed Aldrin could walk on the moon.

Where then, are the limitations of time and space if they are in agreement? An unknown author has said that "if the mind can conceive it, then the hands can produce it". Is it true, as Albert Einstein has suggested, that "if we could see far enough into space, we could see the backs of our necks?" His is a mind that has been respected and held in reverence for almost a hundred years. Did he finally "flip"? If he did not "flip", if he is right, then we must continue the contemplation of space and time. Our own minds find that same agreement which has thus far eluded us.

I dare to suggest that all of the Tools of Masonry must be used in contemplation and speculation of all of creation. The mind is the most powerful tool which the Mason possesses. We must dare to use it. We must put away the mental blocks and blinders that presently confront us. Put aside the similitudes and resemblances. Ours must be a pure search for "truth". Can we ask anything less of ourselves? Let's put our best feet forward and support the Grand Master.

"Together we can build". □

ASSISTANT GRAND LECTURERS



V.W. John Zabel
1st Monroe District

V.W. DAN B. WALKER
2nd Monroe District



By V.E. John Zabel

Grand Lecturer's Convention

The Grand Lecturer's Convention was held on Thursday, September 17th in the Downtown Temple. Dan and I thank all the Master Masons of the Monroe Districts for attending and especially thank the Officers of Etolian, Northfield and Charlotte/Corinthian Lodges for their participation. As this is written, we do not know which Lodges won the banners or qualified for the Howard Potts Award. We would, however, like to congratulate all the winners and thank the members of the winning Lodges for their support over the past year.

School of Ritual

The next School of Ritual will be held on Thursday, October 29th, at Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge in Charlotte. The work will be the first section of the 2nd Degree. The School opens at 7:30 p.m. We encourage all Master Masons, especially all Lodge Officers, to attend. The School of Ritual is where you can ask questions about the Ritual and its conferral.

Lessons of the Fraternity

The Ritual of Freemasonry is very rich in meaning. Why? Because we use allegory and symbols to convey the lessons of the Fraternity. The lessons are not necessarily the same for every candidate, nor every Brother in attendance at the Degree. The Fraternity never fully explains the meanings of the symbols used or the allegory portrayed. This is left to the individual Mason to discover in his own way. When a Lodge confers a Degree as correctly and as well as possible, the candidate, as well as the Master Masons present, can begin to learn how to improve themselves in Freemasonry and become better men.

"The Lodge of Confusion"

The School of Ritual in January will be a play called "The Lodge of Confusion" originally written by Allen Roberts for the Grand Lodge of Virginia. It has been adapted for our Grand Lodge. Some of the parts have been filled, but Dan and I are still looking for Masons to take part in this presentation. If you are interested, call Dan Walker at 429-6572 or me at 223-3228. We know that this will be a fun and instructive evening. The date is January 20th, the place is Fairport Lodge. Place this date on your calendar and plan to attend. □

Membership Retention

R.W. Joseph Privitera
1st & 2nd Monroes

Please...check your dues card

Do me a favor. Get out that wallet and check your Lodge dues card. If the year says '98, you're all set, thank you very much. If it says '97, I'll get to you later. However, if the year is '96, we have what I call a "situation". You are about to be dropped for nonpayment of dues.

Solutions

First of all, your Lodge should be contacting you soon. I urge you to send in at least one year's dues to avoid being dropped for nonpayment of dues. Some Brothers however, have various reasons for not paying their dues. It may be financial, a personal problem, or just a mis-communication. Whatever your problem may be, you should call or contact someone who can help to resolve the situation.

You can contact the Master or Secretary of your Lodge to discuss your particular situation. Their phone numbers are located in their respective news articles in this newspaper. If for some reason there is a problem or difficulty with this method, please contact me at 392-5583 or by mail at 160 Walker Rd., Hilton, NY 14468.

For those Brothers who have not paid just their 1998 dues, the same goes for you also. Your Lodge needs your support not only by your activity, but financially. Again however, if there is a particular situation, please contact someone to discuss the problem.

Communicate

Communicate (there's that word again) is what leaders of the Craft and Lodges need to do to avoid these types of situations. By improving our ability to communicate with our Lodge Brothers, we find out what our Brothers are doing out there, what their situations are and what WE can do to resolve these situations.

You can put that wallet away now. Hope to see you in Lodge. □

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Purple Club of the Monroe Districts

President:
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By R.W. Herbert Spencer
Open letter to all Brothers

On Saturday evening, November 7th, we will be honoring Brothers who have served and are currently serving our Districts and the Fraternity. They are your immediate Past and Current Grand Lodge Officers of the 1st and 2nd Monroe Districts. It is also to honor the Current Grand Representatives.

To the Lodges of the Brothers being honored, it is your duty to come out and support this event. These Brothers have represented you for the last two and some the last three years. Some are your current Officers and they will be spending an equal amount of time in the Office. They have given many days and nights to their official duties. We are only asking that you give one evening to honor them.

It is open to the public for all who wish to attend, ladies, families, friends and guests.

All Brothers of the Districts are urged to attend this event with your lady and family or friends. It is also an opportunity to bring prospective candidates and show them how the Fraternity honors those deserving individuals.

The following Brothers are to be honored that evening:

R.W. Cyrus Kloner, Past DDGM, 1st Monroe.
R.W. David Jones, Past and Current DDGM, 2nd Monroe.
R.W. Eugene Brendel, Past Grand Steward.

R.W. William Spillane, Past and Current Grand Director of Ceremonies.

R.W. Donald Darrohn, Current DDGM, 1st Monroe.

R.W. Ruel Lovett, Current Grand Sword Bearer.

R.W. Robert Zahn, Grand Representative to Denmark.

R.W. James Powell, Grand Representative to Quebec.

If you have any questions, please call me at 271-8677. □

ings. This is a good opportunity to learn what Masters & Wardens is all about and to express your views and concerns. □

Bureau of Masonic Education Monroe County

President:
V.W. John Zabel
Secretary-Treasurer:
R.W. D. Scott Seltzer

By V.W. John Zabel
The New Year

The Bureau of Masonic Education has entered a new Masonic year. Our first event will be the Leadership Development Course presented in seminar form. The Course will be held on Saturday, November 14th at the Downtown Temple. We will gather at 8:00 a.m. for sign-in and refreshments. The Course starts at 8:30 a.m. and will be completed by 3:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided. The cost will be \$15.00, which covers all Course materials, certificate of completion, pin and lunch. Registration information is listed elsewhere in this issue. It is recommended that each participant have a current copy of the "24 Inch Gauge", the white notebook version. Information about the Course may be obtained by calling me at 223-3228.

More information about the Bureau of Masonic Education, its structure and program, will be in the next issue of the *Times*. The adventures of George will also return. Be sure to read this column next month. □

The Gift of Love

The Masonic Service Bureau greatly appreciates your contribution. If you have not made your 1998 donation, would you please do so now, before you forget? If you have, would you consider increasing it? □

Masters and Wardens Association

1st & 2nd
MONROE DISTRICTS

President
Andrew McBride 224-9479
Secretary
Louis Sanfilippo 227-3898

Let's get started

I haven't anything to report at this point. After speaking with many officers in both Districts, I am really looking forward to getting our activities started. There seems to be a greater sense of commitment to the Association than there has been in the last few years. If this translates into greater participation, this will be a very successful year for our group. I'll be sure to keep all of you informed of our progress.

October

Our next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, October 10th, at Fame Temple on Culver Road. If anyone needs directions please call me at 224-9479. In addition to communications from the District and Grand Lodge Officers and regular reports, there will be a program on "Writing Masonic Articles".

Come on out

On behalf of the Association I invite all Junior and Senior Deacons to participate in our meet-

Bureau of Masonic Education Presents the Grand Lodge Leadership Development Course

When: Saturday, November 14th
Where: Rochester Masonic Temple
Time: 8:00 AM - 3:30 PM
Cost: \$20

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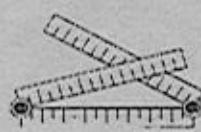
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It was indeed a fantastic opening for the Past Master's Night, September 3rd.

AGL, V.W. Dan B. Walker, was outstanding in the East. The SW for that evening was W. Robert Ledson, who was very sharp and crisp, also the JW, W. Merritt Sweet, the man who emulated his Sirname was "indeed very sweet" in his Ritual. JD, W. George Bradshaw, and our present SD, Jim Knapp, did a wonderful job.

Craftsman/Robertson Lodge came for the Traveling Gavel, which they retrieved.

Before I go any further, in my last article I forgot to thank Brother Ken Van Duzer for the wonderful job he did at the Strawberry Festival in June. I apologize for that oversight.

Blood Drive

The annual American Red Cross Blood Drive was held on August 24th. An accurate count was not revealed. We thank Bill Carpenski, Marshal and Chairman for the Committee. We also thank all the good volunteers who helped.

Future meetings

An Officers meeting will be on the 29th of September at 7:30 p.m. All Line Officers and Trustees should attend. The first item on the agenda is to ease some of the pressure from the Secretary.

The Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Awards Ceremony is October 1st at the Downtown Temple. The recipient for that Award will be R.W. Robert L. Zahn.

Sunday, October 4th, is the Interfaith Breakfast at Logan's Party House. The Service is at 9:00 a.m. and the Breakfast at 10:00 a.m.

October 15th is the Official Visit of R.W. David Jones.

There will be a Leadership Development Course on November 14th. The registration fee is \$15.00 and all those who are trav-

eling through the Chairs aspiring to become Masters should make an effort. Coffee and bagels will be served. Keep your eyes on the *Masonic Times*.

Degree

The 1st Degree will be conferred on November 5th. The SW will be in the East.

The Northfield Lodge Long Term Service Award will be November 19th.

Partnership and building bridges

We must strengthen our existing bridges and build new ones. Our seasoned Masons are the foundation. Uniting with new Masons, we expand our horizons. Youth is the future of Masonry and by connecting experience and innovation we can and will Build new Bridges.

Following this path we will achieve success by maintaining quality membership, revitalizing through new blood. Take advantage of the Leadership Development Course and we will continue to flourish. □

O-At-Ka Lodge No. 759

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

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Secretary 594-8033

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I hope this article finds everyone healthy and well refreshed after a seemingly short Summer break. I'm looking forward to a great year in Lodge and I hope to see you there.

Official Visit

September 23rd was our Official Visit at which members of our sister Lodge, Ionic No. 229 in Brampton, Ontario, Canada, joined us. A dinner was held before Lodge at the Oatka Hotel.

Bring-a-Friend Night

We are planning a Brother Bring-a-Friend Night for October 7th. If you know a worthy upright man, please ask him to come and check out Masonry. Don't be afraid to ask.

Warm Sun

Six Brothers, including a newly made Brother, Jack Brady, participated in the parade this Summer at the "Festival on the Oatka". I received several favorable comments. We had a great time and the clouds opened and the sun shone warmly when the Masons came to center stage!

We are also planning a work day at the Lodge for Saturday, October 3rd. □

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Secretary 392-1629**Dear Brothers**

We have had a wonderful warm September and I want to welcome all our new members, as well as our regular members, to Lodge. It was heartwarming to see so many new faces at our first Lodge meeting. New faces mean new blood and new ideas! Different ideas will give our Lodge new goals and fresh objectives for the coming year.

At our first meeting, three petitions were presented and many more are on the way. We will have a new slate of candidates for our 1st Degree, so Officers and Brethren of Churchville, GET READY, WE'RE GOING TO BE BUSY!! A tip of the hat to the new officers for a job well done at our first meeting.

Sickness

Our Junior Warden, John Hennessey, was unable to make our first meeting because his mother is in the hospital and is very ill. From Churchville Lodge and myself, our prayers and thoughts are with you and we are praying for her speedy recovery.

October meetings

At our first meeting on October 14th, we will be presenting a Brother Bring-a-Friend Night. Now is the time to bring your friends and show them how much fun we can have at Churchville. There will be a dinner before the meeting. Please contact Junior Warden, John Hennessey, at 594-1545 for reservations and please inform him of the name of the friend you will be bringing. Advance notice is appreciated so we can get an accurate dinner count.

Our second October meeting is the 28th. The District Deputy's Official Visit has been rescheduled for that night. Churchville Lodge will welcome R. W. David Jones and R. W. William Spillane. There will be a very nice dinner prepared by our Chef, Bill Dunn, in honor of them. Hope to see you there. Please call for reservations. □

Craftsman/**Robertson****Lodge No. 969**W. Mike
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By Robert Ogden

Picnic addendum

Furthering my article in the previous issue re: the Picnic, Brother Skip Waterstreet spearheaded the plans by purchasing the meat, assisted by Brother Bob Traub. Brother Skip, those steaks were "fork tender". Sue Smith baked delicious brownies and Fran Grover brought a very tasty cake. Brother Chuck Strickland did the honors of slicing and serving the watermelon. A good time was had by all.

Interfaith Breakfast

Our 57th Interfaith Service and Breakfast, sponsored by the Masonic Service Bureau, will be held at Logan's Party House on October 4th. The Service is at 9:00 a.m. and the Breakfast at 10:00 a.m. Tickets are \$10.00 per person.

Scottish Rite Symbolic Awards

Our R. W. Lloyd (Ed) Walker will be the recipient of the above Award on October 1st at the Downtown Temple in Cathedral Hall on the 4th floor. Congratulations, Brother Ed. The following new Masons in our Lodge will also be recognized: Bob Burns, Ralph Jurgens, Jasper Kennedy and Barry Traub.

Traveling Gavel

On September 3rd Brothers Jim Causey, Volney Frankel, Jack Grover, Tom Kendig, Duane King, Mike Schum, Duane Smith, Bob Traub and Skip Waterstreet visited Northfield Lodge and retrieved the famous "Traveling Gavel". Nice going, guys!

October 6th-Open meeting

There will be a dinner meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Downtown Temple for all Brothers, wives, friends and relatives when Betty Perkins-Carpenter, Brother Mike Schum's mother-in-law, presents "The Mind-Body Connection to Aging Well". Reservations will be required. Let's get

together for a night of fun and fellowship.

Masonic Brotherhood Fund

I'm looking forward to launching the Masonic Brotherhood Fund soon and would greatly appreciate your support as in the past in making this a successful event.

Aboard the John H. Stennis Aircraft Carrier

Following up from our last issue, Brother Pat McWhinney experienced a memorable 7 day trip aboard the above Carrier with his son, Dave, as midshipman. A 5 hour air show was staged with live bombs. The food was excellent and hardly any movement was realized of the ship, it was so smooth. The Carrier sailed from Hawaii to San Diego. We all look forward to the pictures Brother Pat will be showing us.

Birthdays in October

Many happy returns to the following Brothers who will turn another milestone next month: Vic Anderson, Phil Cissell, Kevin Hook, Dick Kilton, Ed King, Conrad May, Hank Michaloski, Joe Roe, Ray Ross, Chuck Rupert, Dick Smith and Earl Vincent.

October meetings

There will be an Open Meeting with Dinner and a speaker on October 6th.

October 13th will bring us to West Avenue for Foodlink.

There will be a regular meeting on October 20th.

Official Visit and Awards Presentation

On November 3rd there will be a dinner meeting with wives and friends invited. R. W. Dave Jones, DDGM, will recognize the new members of the Lodge: Brothers Bob Burns, Ralph Jurgens, Jasper Kennedy and Barry Traub. Membership certificates and pins will be presented to the following Brothers: Earl N. Lenhard and Frank D. Zaffino, 25 years; R. W. Thomas L. Davis, 50 years; Joe Roe, Charles Sanford and John Smit, 55 years; and Maurice Clark, 60 years.

Congratulations, gentlemen! Reservations are in order for this festive evening.

Foodlink News

By Volney Frankel

At the direction of the Master, I have arranged for our Lodge once again to assist the Foodlink (located at 56 West Avenue) as a gesture in Masonic community involvement. All wives, friends, teens (grandmothers, too, for that matter) are invited and needed to make this a memorable event. We will meet on the 2nd Tuesday, October 13th at 6:30 p.m. Pizza, soft drinks, and coffee will be served. The tasks are always different, but mostly it is sorting the foods and supplies that are donated by church groups, schools, government surplus and the big supermarkets for several hundred food pantries, shelters, group homes, food kitchens and senior nutrition centers.

The Center acts as a clearing house for Monroe County and nine other counties in Western New York. It is expected that our "labors" will be finished by 8:30 p.m.

For guidance, a staff member will be in attendance, as well as full time employees. The work is not hard, heavy or boring. It is also a lot of fun and not too clean. Old clothes and light weight work gloves are nice to have, or get food handler's gloves that night. A telephone call to me at 244-1644 will get you some pizza, friendship and a great feeling of helping others. □

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723-0083
4550 Lake Avenue
Rochester, New York 14612**Good night**

It was a night to remember. Many people with unfamiliar faces were seated in the Lodge. This was the Lodge Roll Call and the turnout was great. I met Brothers who have not been to Lodge in 15 years! It was a pleasure to meet so many Brothers whose names I've only seen on paper. It has been quite some time since I've seen so many chairs filled in our Lodge. Comments were made about how good the Lodge looked and about the information coming in the mail about Lodge events. For the Brethren who could not make it, you missed out on a great night of socializing. A big Thanks to Brother Frank Jansson for his great desserts after our business meeting.

Dates to remember

On October 6th the Lodge will be sponsoring a Teddy Bear Dinner. With a donation of a new teddy bear, you will receive a spaghetti dinner. The bears will be donated to the Rochester Police Department. The bears come in handy when the police are dealing with situations where children are involved. This dinner is open to all Masons and their families. Please help support our community and make a reservation with Brother Ken Ratliff at 323-1014.

On October 20th the Past Masters will be conferring the 2nd Degree. A dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m., consisting of Roast Beef and German Potato Salad. The cost for the dinner will be \$5.00 per person. Please contact Ken Ratliff for your reservation.

October 24th will be Ladies Night at the Lodge. The evening

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will consist of music, hors d'oeuvres and cocktails. This night is a chance for us to honor our ladies, so bring your favorite lady, or ladies, for a night of fun and enjoyment. For reservations, contact Ken Ratliff at the above phone number.

Charlotte/Corinthian will be hosting the School of Ritual on October 29th. Please come out and support our Lodge for this event.

Heartfelt wishes

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Ruth Freeman for a fast recovery from her broken hip. At the time of this writing she is at Hill Haven Nursing Home for therapy. □

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647-1391**Thanks**

Thank you, W. Mike Bell and W. Dean Marsaw, for filling in on September 3rd. I became ill and they took over for me.

Past Masters Night

It was good to see so many Past Masters in attendance at the meeting. Welcome back, John Huttemann, after a long illness. It was good to see you again.

Future dates

On October 20th we will have a 2nd Degree. R. W. Bob Avery will be in touch with the members of the Degree Team for the rehearsal particulars.

Ladies Night will be Sunday, November 8th at the Irondequoit Lounge on Titus Avenue. For reservations call W. Dean Marsaw at 865-0046.

The 3rd Degree will be conferred by the Shrine Past Masters Degree Team on November 10th at Seneca Lodge in Webster.

Sickness and distress

We traveled to Ontario, N.Y. to hold a Masonic Service for Brother Donald Lockwood who passed away on August 22nd. We had a fine turnout for the Service.

If you know of anyone who is ill or in need of our aid, call me at 663-2547.

Rent

Fame Lodge still has dates available for renting the facilities to any group in need of a meeting space. Contact Brother John Rehbach at 338-7918. □

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October is here and the Fall season is upon us. What better a time to get into the habit of coming to Lodge again.

Our Senior Warden, John Williams, was in the East for our September 14th meeting and did an remarkable job in R.: W.: Bob Sanford's absence.

We have a great line of officers, lunch after Lodge meetings and dinners with Degree meetings. We still meet the 2nd Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m., with Degree work on the 4th Monday. Fellowcraft Club is now meeting on the 1st and 3rd Mondays at the Temple for sociability and the betterment of our Lodge. Doesn't some of the above appeal to you? Why not come out and see for yourself.

If you know of a Brother in need of our aid or sympathy or has a problem getting to a Lodge meeting, contact your Master, Bob Sanford at 292-6383 or Secretary, Joe Cotteleer at 624-1365 and they will assist you.

Fall meeting schedule

October 12th will be a regular meeting with Official Visit at 7:30 p.m.

On November 9th there will be a Sauerkraut and Hot Dog Dinner at 6:00 p.m. This will be followed by a regular meeting on Lodge Etiquette at 7:30 p.m. □

GERMANIA

Lodge No. 722

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3rd Tues.
Sept. - Apr.
&
1st Tues.
May, Jun., Oct.
7:30 P.M.

Secretary
W.: John H. Foster 467-1677

There isn't much to report at this time. Due to the time constraints for publishing our articles each month, I am writing this a few days prior to our first meeting.

October

Our first meeting of October will be on the 6th and the second on the 20th. As usual there will be a Potluck Supper at 6:30 p.m., prior to the meeting, and a fellowship hour afterward. Our topics for this month are recruitment, merger and the future of the Lodge. I hope that as many of you as possible will attend these meetings and contribute to the discussion on these important issues.

Steak Roast

The Annual Steak Roast will be Saturday, October 17th, at Rand Cabin in Powder Mills Park. This should be even more fun than usual since the Brothers of Northfield Lodge have been invited to join us. Bring a friend. This is the perfect opportunity

for someone to be introduced to Masons and Masonry.

There will be no Officers Meeting this month.
See you in Lodge. □

Towpath

Lodge No. 163

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

R.: W.: Terry Wihlon, Secretary
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152 Commercial St. West
E. Rochester, NY 14445

Welcome back Brothers. Ritual is a bit rusty, but we will only get better, or else!

Scottish Rite Award

It is my pleasure to announce that Brother Phil Hurwitz will be receiving the Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Award on Thursday, October 1st. The Ceremony will be held in Cathedral Hall of the Downtown Masonic Temple at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to attend. A reception will follow.

1st Degree

This Degree will be conferred on October 6th at 7:30 p.m. A dinner will precede it at 6:30 p.m. Please call W.: Lou Campaniello at 247-4480 for reservations. Officers wear a tux or dark suit.

Official Visit

October 20th, mark this date on your calendar and join us in welcoming DDGM R.: W.: David Jones. An Awards Ceremony will also take place on this evening.

Food Drive

We are starting our Annual Food Drive. There are many families who need our support. You can help by bringing a can or box of food when you attend a Lodge meeting. This way we can stockpile these items to be delivered during the holiday season. Brother Josue Bogmis, 423-1965, is Chairman.

Soap Box Derby Fundraiser

On Friday, December 18th, we will host a Pasta Dinner. It will be at the Masonic Temple, 152 West Commercial Street, East Rochester. The time is 4:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. It is all you can eat for \$5.00 for adults, \$3.00 for children and a maximum of \$15.00 per family. Brother Michael Gibbardo will make his famous sauce and meatballs.

2nd Degree

The 2nd Degree will be conferred on November 3rd and will be preceded by a dinner at 6:30 p.m. Call W.: Lou Campaniello with your reservations.

E-Mail

For those Brothers with command of computers, if you have an E-Mail address please send it to Brother Sol Phillips at CYYR55@PRODIGY.COM. □



1st Monroe District

Editor's Award for Lodge News Articles

The following article has been selected as an outstanding and well written contribution from a local author.

CLIO

LODGE No. 779



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Reflections

Thanks to the Senior Deacon, Gordie Smith, and Brother Roger Judd for running the Blood Drive in late July and to Brother Steve Mitchell for his tireless efforts in maintaining the Lodge building and grounds over the Summer. The Trustees met in August and finalized a priority list of maintenance items that need to be completed ASAP. We will discuss how to best accomplish these tasks.

At the recent Monroe Masonic Informational Meeting this year's programs and events were announced. All of these will be announced in Lodge and can be found in the *Masonic Times*. The Masonic Service Bureau presentation was especially interesting and I am going to schedule one of their speakers for an upcoming Lodge meeting.

Future events

October 1st is the Scottish Rite Symbolic Awards Presentation in Cathedral Hall, Downtown Temple, at 7:30 p.m. W.: Jerry Jones will be honored.

On October 4th at 9:00 a.m., is the Interfaith Service and Breakfast at Logan's Party House. Tickets are \$10.00 each and may be purchased from Brother Charlie Tucker, DSA.

October 6th is Clio Lodge's Official Visit at 7:30 p.m.

October 14th is a Spaghetti Dinner.

October 18th is a 1st Degree Rehearsal at 2:00 p.m. at the Lodge.

On October 20th SW, Jeff Ross, will be in the East for the 1st Degree with Q&As, at 7:30 p.m.

Another Spaghetti Dinner on October 28th.

On October 29th there will be a School of Ritual at Charlotte/ Corinthian Lodge. Work, 2nd Degree.

Closing

During the past year I have been able to travel to several Lodges in the Monroes as a member of "Jeff's Raiders", as we pursued the elusive "Traveling Gavel". During our forays, I have come to realize how fortunate we are at Clio Lodge to have such a great mix of young, middle aged and senior Brothers attending Lodge regularly. I think one of the reasons our newer Brothers

are so active is that they were brought to our Craft by their fathers. They in turn have friends who have joined. This Fall we will continue our wonderful good fortune as another Past Master will usher his son into the Craft at Clio Lodge.

Hope to see you soon at Lodge. □

Wakan/Hubbard Lodge No. 154



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

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Greetings Brothers

I trust your Summer was filled with joy and relaxation. Hopefully our Winter will be mild and bearable.

Trestleboard corrections

What's that fella's name? Oh yeah, Murphy. Well, "Murphy's Law" has struck again. Please note that the 3rd Degree dinners scheduled for November 23rd and April 26th indicate: "Ladies invited". Not so, in view of the lengthy evening on those dates. Take note - the Master's Ball will be held on November 14th, not the 7th.

JW Gordon Ball has informed me that he has obtained the Brookwood Inn for our Annual Ladies Night Dinner-Dance on April 24th. Negotiations are still in progress for the visitation by our Canadian Brothers on this date. In conjunction with the Ladies Night, Brother Ball is planning a Champagne Breakfast the following morning. Please adjust your Trestleboard and mark your calendars accordingly.

Activities

At this writing our Annual Lodge Clambake has yet to take place. Brother Arthur Johnson, Senior Deacon, and his committee are certain that their bill-of-fare is bound to please. If you were unable to attend or just let it

pass you by, you've missed not only great foods, but also the pleasure of your Brothers and their ladies company.

Grand Lecturer's Convention

As of this writing we have yet to attend the Grand Lecturer's Convention, but we are hoping to receive our 11th Howard Potts Award. More on this next month.

Golf Tournament

Contact R.: W.: Don Brugger at home, 458-6125 or at work, 473-4351, and make reservations to play in the Annual Charity Golf Tournament. You can pick up the forms at the Service Bureau Office between 9:00 and noon on Monday thru Friday. It is a worthy event and we hope the weather will cooperate.

Award

Brother Frank Denton, DSA, has been selected by the Lodge to receive the Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Award on October 1st at the Downtown Masonic Temple. Over the years Worshipful Denton has given much of himself to the Craft. He has served meritoriously on every committee. Currently he has had to curtail some activities because of vision problems. However, he still co-chairs a committee. I can't think of anyone more deserving than Frank.

Service Awards

W.: Ted Snyder is currently in the process of contacting Lodge Brothers entitled to receive Service Awards. They are scheduled to be presented on October 12th.

Grand Lodge Appointments

Grand Master, M.: W.: Stewart C. McCloud, has appointed R.: W.: Arnold W. Frear to the Masonic Benevolence Committee and W.: Donald Bell to the Masonic Blood Donor Committee. Congratulations, Brothers.

Sadness

Brother Leon White, Jr. passed away on August 27th. As with all of our departed Brethren, he will be missed.

October

The rehearsal for the 2nd Degree will be on October 21st, the 2nd Degree on the 26th and the School of Ritual is on the 29th. □

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7:30 P.M.

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67 Main Street
Brockport, N.Y. 14420

Frustration!

Writing these articles has been getting harder and harder every month. I can't just write an article to make a deadline and fill up space. I have to have something important to say and that doesn't happen very often anymore. We are still only seeing about five of our eighty-nine Brothers at our meetings. We have tried numerous times (through this article) to encourage attendance, but to no avail. I have begged our members who don't attend to contact us and share their comments and concerns, but no one has. I guess we've all gotten a little burned out.

What's the answer?

I have always tried to write with passion, inspiring thought, or at least raising an eyebrow or two. There are times, like last month, that I just don't have anything worthwhile to say, so I skipped an issue. These "times" are happening too often lately! I know I should ask one of my other members to ghost write for me, but the question is, which one of the other four guys, who are doing everything else, do I ask?

The Lodge's solution

A motion was made, seconded and passed to discontinue our Lodge's participation in the *Masonic Times* and stop providing members with the subscription. "Let's save the Lodge the money spent on the *Masonic Times* and mail a semi-annual Lodge news letter along with the dues notices and the Annual Summons". Those members who still wish to receive the *Masonic Times* and are not members of Concordant Bodies who subscribe (such as the Scottish Rite, Shrine, etc.) can make arrangements directly and establish a personal subscription for \$7.00 per year.

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What to do with the "saved" money

Semi-annually we will mail all of our members a free ticket to our Pork Roast Dinner held at the Brockport Methodist Church. We recognize that the stairs at the Lodge are a problem for some of you, others have conflicts with work schedules and some members have "put in their time" and have rightfully earned a rest from their Masonic lives. This is our way of letting those Brothers know we understand, but still miss the face to face contact with you. For the rest of our membership, we're finding it hard to remember what you look like and knowing how hard it is to turn down a free meal, hope it's enough to entice you to come out and satisfy our need for personal contact. Hey, right or wrong, it's something new and we're willing to try anything at this point!

Final comment

If any member of Monroe Lodge disagrees with this decision, please contact us, or better yet, visit us in person at our next meeting. It's hard to know what is right for all with input from so few. If you decide to visit and chastise us, don't be surprised if we all smile while you're doing it! Just like little kids, we're so hungry for attention, even the prospect of getting yelled at would be better than not hearing from you at all!

ETOLIAN**Lodge No. 479**

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W.. Dennis F.
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Master
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2nd & 4th
Mondays
7:30 p.m.

R..W.. F. Jay McCullough
Secretary
352-1061

Brethren

I hope everyone has weathered the storm! This was a devastating storm and I hope everyone had minimal damage to clean up and your power was restored with little inconvenience. I know I arrived back in Rochester at midnight on Sunday and found myself taking an hour to go from the Rochester Airport to Spencerport, a trip that is usually 15 minutes.

Sad news

August 13th found Brother Leon Osborne called to the Lodge not made with hands. Brother Osborne had been a Mason for 52 years and was living in Simi Valley, California for the past 30 years.

Blood Drive

Senior Deacon, Karl Reich, collected 57 pints of blood at this Summer's Blood Drive. This is the most blood collected in a Summer drive since 1992. Great job, Brother Karl!

Interfaith Service

Don't forget to get your tickets for the Interfaith Service and Breakfast being held at Logan's

Party House on October 4th. This event should sell out quickly, so get your tickets from our Secretary.

1st Degree

There will be a 1st Degree conferral on September 28th with Junior Warden, John Dyer, in the East.

Flowers in the Fall

I did notice that our signs on Route 531 for the Monroe County in Bloom Program are still standing and the flowers look great. I know people would like to do more with this site and next year we can talk to the County about enlarging the flowerbeds. Remember, if you go to the site, you must have a hard hat and vest, and no power equipment. These are rules from New York State, and if we don't obey them we could lose the opportunity that has been extended to us.

Moving on

Long time Brother Arthur Rudig is on the move. He has sold his house and the end of October he will be moving to Mobile, Alabama. I know that everyone in the Lodge wishes Art all the best in his move South, and we know that he will always continue his journey to the East.

Steak Roast and Table Lodge

Our many thanks go out to Junior Warden, John Dyer, for all his hard work in preparing for the Steak Roast. The weather cooperated as well as many Brothers who helped to lend a hand. It was strange conducting such an event without the music of Senior Deacon, Karl Reich. I also want to thank W.. Marty Michaels for his help at this event.

Masonic Trivia and Mix Up Night

I am currently looking for three Brothers help for the program on October 12th. I need one Brother to prepare some Masonic trivia to stump the Purple Club as well as the others in attendance. I also need two Brothers to turn the Lodge upside down after the Opening to see if we can find all wrongs and set them right. Let me know if you want to participate!

Dates of interest

The Leadership Development Course will be November 14th and the Road to the East Program will be December 5th.

By R..W.. F. Jay McCullough

Sharing 55 years in the Craft

The Leonard brothers of Etolian Lodge No. 479 are in a unique position. They were both initiated in the Lodge in March of 1943. George ("the kid") of Wilmington, NC, was raised in April of that year, but it took older brother, Bill, until June to become a Master Mason. Bill was in and out of the area serving with the Merchant Marine and had to

get his Degrees between naval commitments.

George and his wife, Esther, moved from Spencerport 25 years ago, after taking early retirement from Rochester Products where he worked for 37 years. He was foreman in machining. He has been asked many times to transfer his membership to a Wilmington Lodge, but says having graduated from Spencerport High School and living many years in the Elmgrove area, he has many fond memories of Spencerport and chooses to keep his Masonic membership here.

The brothers' Leonard received their 55 Year Pins and Certificates from Master, W.. Dennis Tiano, during a recent visit they all shared at Bill's home in Gates.

Brother William didn't elect to move South after retirement. He felt he had enough travel during his time in the Merchant Marine during WWII, especially with the 23 crossings of the Atlantic he made on tankers and transports during the height of submarine attacks on merchant vessels. On one voyage his ship was lost in the Caribbean. After the war, he was an engineer on boilers, a stationary engineer at Bell and Howell for 16 years and a member of Plumbers and Pipefitters Local 13, before retirement.

Bill's wife, Teresa, passed away July 25, 1988. He is proud of still having his complete Monroe Commandery uniform, though not active because of the device he often has to use to "navigate".

The brothers come from a long lineage of Masons and Eastern Star members. Their father, William W., was raised in Groton-on-Hudson. Their mother was in Monroe Chapter, OES, in Rochester. They had many aunts and uncles (the Campbell family) in Masonry and the Star in the Whitehall, NY area on Lake Champlain. Their grandfather was in Masonry in Chicago and Bill still has the Apron he wore.

George and his wife, Esther, came to Rochester for their annual Summer sojourn, having been on the "cutting edge of hurricane Bonnie" at home and while traveling North. They then experienced the stormy swath that clipped through the Rochester region two days before their return trip home.

Other Brothers from the 20's, 30's and 40's

Etolian Lodge boasts of the longevity of Lester Merz who was raised in December of 1926, Jim McGurran in December, 1937, Harold Pixley in June, 1938, and Clark Kunes in December 1939.

There is also Audrey Reddick of June, 1942, and Richard Daly of November that year. The Leonards stand together in 1943. They are followed by Ken Tucker

Sharing 55 Years in the Craft

Brothers George Leonard and William Leonard (left & right), of Etolian Lodge #479, receiving their Service Certificates from Worshipful Master, Dennis Tiano (center).

in February and Charles Barron in December of 1944. Then came Jerry Peck in November, 1946, Clarence Ziegler in April, Alfred Allyn in May, and Dwight Andrews with Mark Stenzel in December wrapping up 1947. Two continuing from 1948 are Don Macauley in March and Herb Leadbetter in December. Finishing the decade is "Curly" Zarnstorff in March, 1949.

All Lodge members salute the service records of these upstanding men and Masons, and are proud to share Lodge service with them.

FAIRPORT**Lodge No. 476**

W.. Tom
Rickendorfer,
Master
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2nd & 4th
Mondays
7:30 P.M.

W.. George R. Bracht, Secretary
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87 South Main St.
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Another month, another newsletter. But, wait! We haven't even had a meeting yet (as I write)! How did they do that? Oh well, I'll just wing it.

September recap

On September 14th we had our Official Visit from DDGM, R..W.. Don Darrohn, and Grand Sword Bearer, R..W.. Ruell Lovett. Before the meeting we enjoyed a great Roast Beef Dinner by the ladies of the Eastern Star.

The 1st Degree was conferred on September 28th with Doug Skelton in the East. Our two candidates (as of the date of this writing) enjoyed the wonderful presentation done by Doug and his team.

Coming events

Our first meeting on October 12th will be a Widow's Night Lodge of Remembrance in memory of our Brothers who have passed away in the last two years. I have changed the times. We will open early at 7:00 p.m. and close at 7:45 p.m. to allow the widows and families to enter. The program will start at 8:00 p.m. I plan for a brass quintet to provide entertainment and there will be refreshments after the meeting. This is an open meeting and I encourage my Brothers to bring their friends and families.

On October 26th we will confer the 2nd Degree with JW Dwight Turner in the East. The meeting will start promptly at 7:30 p.m. This is a tuxedo night for the officers.


Golf Tournament

A Golf Tournament has been put together by Watertown Lodge No. 49, but it has been cancelled. For more information contact Rich Carbone at (315) 782-4676 or e-mail him at rcarbone@northnet.org.

Additional meetings

A reminder to everyone that we will be holding a combination rehearsal and officers meeting on October 19th at 7:00 p.m. It is important that everyone taking part in the Degree attend the rehearsal so that we can present a meaningful Ritual for our candidates. I hope to see a lot of our members out for all of our meetings. If you have suggestions, criticisms, or need transportation to get to the meeting, please call me at 377-7782 or e-mail me at tomrich@worldnet.att.net.

Seneca Lodge
 No. 797
 Second Tuesday
 6:00 P.M.



W. Gary R. Stein
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 Robert C. Green, Jr., Secretary
 233-5953
 30 Orchard St.,
 Webster, N.Y. 14580

1st Degree
 On September 8th we conferred the 1st Degree on a Brother from Columbus, Georgia who is in the Rochester area working on contract to Frontier Communications. We wish he could stay in the area and be made a Seneca Brother.


Thank you to my Seneca Brothers, whom on such short notice took time away from their Summer months to prepare for this work. I'm proud of you.

Congratulations
 Congratulations to Brother Stuart Walthour on receiving the Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Award. Brother Stu has worked hard in the quarries of Blue Lodge Masonry and deserves this honor. All the Seneca Brothers are very proud of you and thank you for your hard work.

Congratulations are also in order for Seneca Brother's R. W. William H. Russell, who has been reappointed by Grand Lodge to the Endowment Committee and to W. Paul A. Vick, whom Grand Lodge appointed as Western Region Deputy Proctor.

Geva Night
 The Seneca Brothers are once again looking forward to the Annual Geva Night, October 14th. This will be our third trip to Geva and is one of the most popular events in Seneca's social season. Brother and Mrs. Richard N. Shellman's hard work make this annual event possible each year.

Flower City Lodge No. 910



W. Jerry Spero, Master
 334-7616

2nd Thursday
 7:30 P.M.

R. W. Philip Averbach, Secretary
 458-1817

875 Main St. East
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We are off and running
 We have three candidates ready to go for their 1st Degree on October 1st. We hope to have a Brother attend a 2nd Degree at Fairport Lodge on October 26th. Just as important, we are compiling a list of names for the Brother Bring-a-Friend Night, Saturday, January 9th. No doubt about it. We have got to get growing!


New committee
 I am in the process of forming a committee of younger members to attempt to bring some more of the younger members back to the Lodge meetings and events. You younger members are a very important part of our Lodge. Without your participation we are not going anywhere. If you are under 40 and want to help us get grow-

ing, please call Phil Averbach at 458-1817.

The next few months are key to the growth of the Lodge. I am asking every one of you to attend at least one meeting before the end of 1998. If you can't make a meeting you are invited to call me at 334-7616. We are excited about what is happening. We need you to share in that excitement. We need you to join us at Flower City Lodge as we build our membership and member participation.

Future dates
 October 1st - 1st Degree at 7:30 p.m. The Senior Warden's Program is October 8th at 7:30 p.m. A rehearsal for the 2nd Degree is scheduled for October 15th. Don't forget the 2nd Degree at Fairport Lodge on October 26th. Lastly, a night out at a restaurant is planned for November 5th.

East Rochester's Ancient Craft Lodge No. 943



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

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Bring-a-Friend Night
 Several guests attended this year's first Brother Bring-a-Friend Night. A fine dinner was served by the Brethren! Thank you to all who brought guests and to those who came out in support.

Talk
 We take this opportunity to say "thank you" to R. W. Richard Friedman for his presentation of a paper on "The Structure of Grand Lodge". It was an enjoyable and informative event for our Lodge.

Rehearsal
 The 1st Degree rehearsal will be held on Monday, October 5th at 7:15 p.m.

First meeting
 The 1st Degree will be conferred at the Monday, October 12th meeting. Another delicious dinner is being planned for 6:30 p.m. Reservations can be made through Brother Lew Perna at 334-8265.

Second meeting
 Again, a dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. and reservations can be made with Brother Lew Perna. Our guest speaker at the meeting, which follows dinner, will be R. W. Maurice Solomon. He will present a lecture on the "Symbols of Masonic Lessons".

We Hate to Nag you...



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District Deputy Grand Master
 Genesee/Wyoming District



R. W. Raymond G. Barber
 H (716) 457-3079

The District Annual Church Service was held on August 2nd. Fifty-six Brothers and Sisters were there to enjoy breakfast before the Service. The Commandery served as Honor Guard. It was good to see so many out. Let's do even better next year in Attica.

Patriotism
 Our Masonic teachings stress loyalty to country, our governments and our duly constituted authorities. Those of us who were in the military should not show any shame or embarrassment when there is a thrill to us at every formation or at reveille and retreat, or when Old Glory is raised or lowered. We should experience the same thrill every time the Senior Deacon attends the altar, or we repeat the Pledge to the Flag.

Communicate
 Please get the dates of your activities to me and I will try to send out a schedule of events in October.

Go to Church Sunday
 Members of the First Congregational Church of Java Village and their Pastor, Rev. Bruce A. Williams, were hosts to the Genesee/Wyoming Masonic Annual Go to Church Sunday on August 2nd. Members of the District assisted in the 10:00 a.m. worship service.

A breakfast was held for the members of the District at 8:00 a.m.

At the Service, R. W. Raymond Barber, DDGM of the Genesee/Wyoming District, welcomed the District Grand Lodge Officers, District Deputy, Rt. Wth. Charlotte Barnard and District Lecturer, Rt. Wth. Norman Steinbaugh of the Genesee/Wyoming Eastern Star.


The church processional consisted of the Grand Lodge Officers and the Knights Templar of Zone 12.

Members of the First Congregational Church who are presently serving as presiding officers of Masonic Bodies are: Mark Hopkins, Master of Mt. Vernon No. 263; Carl Fisher, High Priest of East Aurora Chapter No. 282, RAM; Sherrel Holmes, Eminent Commander Tancred Commandery No. 80, East Aurora; Betty Maynard, Wth. Matron Vernon Chapter, OES; and Otis Maynard, Wth. Patron Vernon Chapter, OES.

There were 99 present for the service.

Thought for the month
 "The only goal you can't accomplish is the one that you don't go after". Vilis Ozols, President Ozols Business Corp.

Grand Steward
 Genesee/Wyoming



R. W. Dennis M. Turton, Sr.
 591-1179

Support your District
 It is important to all of us to support the many activities around the District. The Masters & Wardens Association, the Council of Masonic Activities, the Grand Lecturer's Convention, and the AGL visits are all important functions of our District. In addition, the different Fish Fries and the DDGM's Official Visits are equally important. The growth of these organizations and activities depend on all of us, so let's attend and support as many of them as we can!

Education
 The Leadership Development Course and the Road to the East Program are in the final stages of preparation. They will be held at the Attica Masonic Temple probably in November or December. More on this in the next issue of the *Masonic Times*.

Coming events
 October 4th - Pancake Breakfast at Attica Lodge, 8:00 a.m. to 1 p.m.
 October 15th - 1st Degree at Hesperus Lodge in Bergen, 8:00 p.m.
 October 16th - District Fish Fry at Oakland Lodge in Castile, 4:30 p.m.

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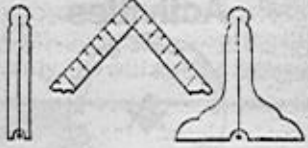


Druids and Masonry
 Do you know who the Druids were? Are you familiar with their history? Is there a common link between the history of these people to some of the basic fundamentals of Freemasonry? As recent evidence shows that Stonehenge is an astrological clock. It was apparently a central place of worship for the Druids. The Druids appear to have been priests and judges for the people of that time. The priests methods of teaching their replacements apparently was done strictly through memorization. This memorization work must have taken numerous years considering that there was no established form of writing. You have to re-

member that this was during the Bronze Age before Christianity. This similarity appears in Masonry by the way the Ritual is taught. Is this the origin of Masonry and its method of teaching Masonic Ritual?

Today's leaders
 Today you need not suffer this grueling task to become a leader in Masonry. Available to you are current methods of training for knowledge in Masonry and a true leader through the training courses like the "Road to the East" and other reading Courses from Grand Lodge. These and similar courses will help stimulate your mind as you grow in Masonry.

Masters & Wardens Association
 Genesee-Wyoming District



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 591-1179
 Secretary/Treasurer
 R. W. Richard C. Anderson
 493-2203

August 28, 1998 meeting
 The annual meeting of the Genesee/Wyoming Masters and Wardens Association was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President, R. W. Dennis Turton. This meeting followed an enjoyable picnic with the attendance of Brothers and their ladies representing seven Lodges in the District.

Old Business
 Degree Assistance Team - more participation is needed from Lodges' members. Contact President, William Swyers or Richard Anderson.

New Business
 The following Officers were Elected: President, W. William Swyers; Vice President, W. Gary Hutcherson and Secretary/Treasurer, R. W. Richard Anderson.

All bills were paid and we moved forward to announcements:
 October 15th - 1st Degree at Hesperus with Olive Branch Lodge (help needed).
 October 15th - 2nd Degree at Arcade Lodge (help needed).
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October 16th-District Fish Fry at Oakland Lodge.

- Other items discussed were:
1. By-Laws
 2. Reschedule date for Annual Meeting and the Election of Officers.
 3. Next year's picnic date.

DDGM

The DDGM announced the dates for Official Visits. The list will be sent to the Worshipful Masters. He also informed us that distribution of support funds to flood victims through Grand Lodge has been completed. □

Genesee/Wyoming Council of Masonic Activities



W.: Arthur E. Drew, Pres.
W.: George Springett, Sec.

By W.: George Springett

The Genesee/Wyoming District Fish Fry will be held on Friday, October 16th at the Oakland Masonic Temple, 10 N. Main St., Castile, NY, 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Adults - \$6.00, children under 10 - \$3.50. □

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



W.: Henry Robinson
Master
322-7545

1st and 3rd
Tuesdays
(Jan/Feb/Mar:
1st Tues only)

W.: Richard L. Smith, Secretary
493-5408

174 South Main St.
Castile, N.Y. 14427

Greetings Brothers

As Summer winds down we are being reminded by Mother Nature of what's ahead in the coming months, cool nights and leaves changing and falling. I hope your Summer was healthful and relaxing. One thing we can all agree on, it's way too short. Oakland Lodge resumed its labors on September 1st.

Sickness and distress

It was reported that W.: Jack Outermans was still battling his prostate cancer. Along with a card being sent, our thoughts and prayers are with Jack and his family.

Recuperating from a damaged shoulder is Brother Bruce Carpenter. Get well soon, Brothers.

Heating system

Discussed at our first meeting was work on replacing the old and inefficient heating system. More to come at our next communication.

Bowling team

Congratulations to Oakland Lodge's Bowling Team for placing third in the New York State Masonic Bowling Tournament in Lake George last Spring. Especially lighting up the score was Brother Fred Hance who placed third in the All Events and twelfth in the Doubles, along with non-Mason Dave Kazperzak.

Events

The District Convention was held September 18th at Constellation Lodge in Perry.

At a meeting of the Council of Masonic Activities, held July 19th at Oakland Lodge, it was agreed there would be plans for a District-wide auction. R.: W.: Len Mason will be Chairman and will be assisted by W.: Joe Chimino and me as Co-Chairmen. The date has been tentatively set for October 24th. To brief the Masters of each Lodge and their helpers, a meeting has been scheduled for September 29th at 7:30 p.m. in Attica. You will receive details in the mail.

Yum yum

On October 16th there will be a District Fish Fry at Oakland Lodge commencing at 4:30 p.m. Each Lodge will be required to purchase 10 tickets, supply two pies, and helpers. As Chairman I will guarantee the food will be excellent. Please show your support for the District by coming to Oakland on Friday, October 16th.

Closing

I publicly thank the Brothers of Oakland Lodge for putting their trust in my leadership for another year. With the addition of three new Brothers last year, better attendance and a first at Oakland, the Potts Award, we have made positive strides. I humbly and very respectfully am now calling on all the Brothers to keep the ball rolling.

Much work still needs to be done. I repeat what a Brother from Oakland once said, with our President's morals in question, it was noted we all have a few skeletons in our closets. Some closets are bigger than others. Our job is to keep those skeletons under lock and key, and see to it there aren't any more.

I once described my twelve years as a Mason as, "A Lesson In Morality". I'm doing my best to uphold that, and each of us as Masons owes that to our God, family and community to be the best that we can be. I'll repeat what I've often said, there is strength in numbers, so please join us at our next communication, October 6th and our District Deputy's Official Visit on October 20th.

Fraternally and God bless. □

Mount Vernon Lodge No. 263



W.: Mark Hopkins
Master
457-3325

2nd & 4th
Mondays

W.: Rodney Dilker, Sec.
655-3107
Main Street
Java Village, NY

By J. P. Allan, JW

Recently, in August, members of Mt. Vernon Lodge No. 263, together with members of Arcade Lodge No. 419 in a joint venture, hosted a Hot Dog Bar-B-Que at the Carriers Train Station.

The train event was for the Buffalo Sabres fans, complete with their mascot in full costume!!

We had two trains full of folks throughout the afternoon and a good time was had by all. We served over 200 people from the two trains.

On returning from a brief stroll between trains, I found our new DDGM, Ray Barber, snoring away under a maple tree! I took a picture to submit, but luckily for me, it didn't turn out, as I live in his downstairs apartment! □

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



W.: Michael E. Smith
495-6547

1st and 3rd
Tuesdays

W.: Allen L. Capwell
Secretary 786-8989
75 South Main St.
Warsaw, N.Y. 14569

My Brothers, with this being my first communication as Master of Warsaw Lodge, it becomes my duty to pass on the information gathered this Summer. On August 11th, Brother Herbert O'Neill passed away, as did Brother Gordon Klump's father. I extend my condolences to their families and friends.

I was informed this Summer of some troubling news. One of my dearest friends and our Senior Warden, Brother John L. Sunderland, was stricken with a severe illness. At that time I was informed that John could be in the hospital for a long period of time.

To my utmost surprise on our first communication, John was brought to Lodge by his son, Mike. What a thrill for the members of Warsaw Lodge! Accord-

ing to his son, that's all John talked about, was going to Lodge to see his friends. John is going to start his treatments any day now and I am sure he would love hearing from the Masonic family. He is proud to be a member.

Please keep John in your thoughts and prayers. If you would like, send him a card at 20 Clinton Street, Apt. 8, Warsaw, NY, 14569.

200 Years!

On a happier note, in June Warsaw Lodge was proud to present four 50 Year Certificates. Brothers Lester Bush, John Conable, Ed Congers, and Russ Cox were honored. My Brothers, that's a total of 200 years of service to Masonry in one sentence. Congratulations to each of the Brothers.

Symbolic Lodge Award

During our first communication in September it was announced that Brother Norbert Klopfer was Warsaw Lodge's nomination for this year's Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Award. Brother Klopfer will be honored at a Ceremony on October 1st in the Downtown Rochester Masonic Temple. Norb is our man behind the curtain, he is one we can always count on, he is always ready to jump into see the job gets done. Congratulations, Norb!

Future meetings

To aid you in planning your calendars, I've put together a trestleboard as a guide.

October 6th is a regular meeting with Official Visit.

October 13th and 14th is the 55 Alive Program, time to be published later.

October 18th in the Country Breakfast, 8:00 a.m.-12 noon.

October 20th is a regular meeting with a report on the Brother Bring-a-Friend Night.

November 3rd is a regular meeting with Service Awards.

November 15th in the Country Breakfast from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

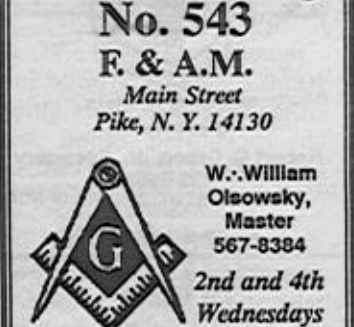
November 17th is a regular meeting with a 1st Degree.

December 1st is a regular meeting.

December 15th we will have our regular meeting with a Pot Luck Dinner and a Christmas Party.

December 20th is a Country Breakfast from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. □

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



Main Street
Pike, N. Y. 14130

W.: William Olsowsky,
Master
567-8384

2nd and 4th
Wednesdays

W.: Richard Anderson, Sec.
493-2203

Greetings, Brethren

From the reports I have had, the Brothers of Triluminar Lodge will be looking at another exciting year with new candidates.

Officers for 1998-99

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| Sr. Warden | Keith Granger |
| Jr. Warden | Steve Burger |
| Treasurer | Steve Wing |
| Secretary | Richard Anderson |
| Chaplain | Arthur Drew |
| Sr. Deacon | Dave Mayer |
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| JMC | Alan Sabadas |
| Stewards | John Goff |
| | Cameron Ayers |
| | Steve Wing |
| Marshal | John Barnard |
| Organist | Paul Flint |
| Tiler | |

Thanks

To all the Brothers, their wives and families for all the hours they donated to make our Golf Tournament and Ice Cream Stand at the Wyoming County Fair a huge success, I express my thanks.

Important dates

October 14th is the Official Visit of the DDGM and Staff Officer.

November 13th is the Annual Turkey Party at 7:00 p.m. □



Brothers of Mt. Vernon and Arcade Lodges waiting for customers at the Curriers Train Station. (Photos courtesy Mt. Vernon Lodge.)

Genesee/Wyoming District Go to Church Sunday



Go to Church Sunday Celebrated by Brothers of the Genesee/Wyoming District pictured here with Rev. Bruce Williams, Pastor, at the First Congregational Church in Java Village.

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Mondays

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

Dear Brethren

This month I have just a short message to convey. In August West Star had an inmate crew from the Wyoming Correctional Facility paint our Lodge building. They painted some of the inside and all of the outside, and also varnished most of the woodwork. They did an outstanding job. We have received several compliments about how nice our building looks.


Future meetings

October 19th is our Official Visit. R.: W.: Ray Barber will be visiting West Star. This would be a good night to have a good attendance.

On November 16th we will be honoring our members with increments of 5 years of service. Brother Ken Wainwright will receive his 25 Year Pin. I know this is the first day of deer season, but I hope to see you this night.

Remember, our meetings are the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month. See you there. □

Eagle Valley
Lodge No. 1161



W.: William
Olsowsky
Master
567-8384
2nd & 4th
Thursdays
8:00 p.m.

R.: W.: Sheldon Moden
Secretary 322-7343
Liberty St.
Bliss, NY 14024

By JW Ed Law

We're back!

It was a long, enjoyable and even productive Summer in and around Eagle Valley. As we return from refreshment to our labor, we mourn the passing of Brother Gordon Klump, who began his journey to that far country from which no man returns on July 5, 1998. Brother Klump was a 55 year member of Eagle Valley Lodge. For many years prior to his retirement in 1972, he was a miller for Hardy's Agway in Gainesville, NY.

Auction

Saturday, November 7th is the date of the Annual Eagle Valley Lodge Auction. The sale gets under way about 6:00 p.m. Donations of saleable merchandise of all sorts will be appreciated. They may be made by contacting W.: Bill Oslowsky or W.: Richard Moden.


News anyone?

Brothers, do you have any news for the *Masonic Times*? Please impart that news to me by phone (look in the Bliss phone listings). If no one picks up - talk to the answering machine and I will get back to you.

Meeting times

Remember, your Lodge meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays at 8:00 p.m. □

HESPERUS
Lodge No. 837



W.: Gary R.
Hutchurson,
Master
(716)494-2412
1st and 3rd
Thursday

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

Official Visit

Welcome back to all our Brothers! It was so good to see everyone again. Our first meeting was great and our second was wonderful with our District Deputy Visit and our Staff Officer. We had a delicious meal cooked by our Eastern Star. Thanks to Joyce Sands and her crew.

Joint Degree

We have candidates for this year and we are combining with Olive Branch Lodge in LeRoy on October 15, 1998 to confer our 1st Degree. R.: W.: Robert Nicoll will be bringing two candidates and we will confer the Degree with W.: John Cooper in the East.

Award


Congratulations to our Symbolic Lodge Awardee, John Jessop, who will receive this Award in Cathedral Hall in Rochester on October 3rd. There will be a dinner beforehand with many of the Brothers.

Future plans

Our Past Masters met in September to discuss our future and our 100th Anniversary in 2002. Many plans were laid and direction was set. R.: W.: Holden Miller was elected President and W.: Joe Chimino was elected Vice President. The chairperson for the celebrations will be Marshall Krause and Ralph Marsocci.

October is an exciting month and I hope to see you at Lodge. Remember to give your reservation for the Degree dinner to our JW, Norm Austin at 494-2223. See you all soon. □

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



R.: W.: Dennis
Turton, Sr.
Master
(716) 591-1179
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

Sickness and distress

W.: Selden (Doc.) Williams has been transferred to GCCH in Batavia. I'm sure he would like visitors. Has anyone heard from Brother Frank Rechlin? Seems he's been missing since the flood. Perhaps he's with his family. If you know where he is, please call me.

I am sorry to announce the death of R.: W.: Norman E. Godfrey on June 12th. Brother Norm was residing at the Warsaw Nursing Home at the time of his death. He was a Past Master and Past Grand Sword Bearer. He will be missed by all.

Financial news

A \$1,000 donation was made to Attica Lodge from the estate of R.: W.: Norman Godfrey and a \$500 gift was given from Brother Frederick C. Greene to help defray the cost of the flood damage. Brother Fred read about our problems at his home in Bradenton, FL. A heartfelt thank you.

Building update

The Lodge has voted to install new glass brick on the lower windows in front of the Temple. We are certain this will help prevent water entering the building if we have another flood. We are also in the process of replacing our old chairs in the dining room. If anyone wants to purchase a chair for \$15.00, a plate will be attached to the chair with your name on it. You can mail your check to the Secretary, W.: Norman Steinbaugh. This is a very good way to off-set the cost of the chairs and to show your loyalty to the Lodge.

New tenants

A proposal has been sent to Batavia Commandery No. 34, KT, for the use of our building. In the last issue of the *Masonic Times* they indicated that relocation was an issue. We are hopeful that they will accept our offer and Attica Lodge will benefit by the increased revenue. This will be discussed at our next meeting.


By-Laws

A committee has been set up to review and update our By-Laws. It has been quite a number of years since this was done. R.: W.: Donald Wagner, W.: Norman Steinbaugh, W.: Bill Walters, and Brother Keith Countermine agreed to take on this task. If you have any suggestions, please contact them.

Important dates

Our Pancake Breakfast will be held on October 4th. The cost is \$4.00 for adults, \$2.00 for children and \$10.00 a family. Everyone is welcome. Our Official Visit on October 7th will be preceded by a dinner at 6:30 p.m. □

CONSTELLATION
Lodge No. 404
21 N. Main Street,
Perry, NY 14530



W.: John F.
Cook
Master
237-2427
1st & 3rd
Thursdays

R.: W.: Charles H. Myers,
Secretary 237-5990

Greetings

I thought as Summer comes to a close that activities would slow down and give me a chance to get caught up on some of the duties of the Master, but I was wrong. Hope that you are all well.

Official Visit

DDGM, R.: W.: Ray Barber, will visit Constellation Lodge on October 15th. Please try to attend, as I would like a good turnout for this special night.

Euchre

As discussed at the last meeting, we decided to offer the Brothers the opportunity to have card games after the stated communication on the first Thursday of each month, beginning on November 5th and continuing through Thursday, April 1st. Euchre Champion, Chuck Krauss, please take note!

Sympathy

I was saddened to hear of the death of Brother Frank Barlow of Oakland Lodge. Our condolences to his family and the Brothers of his Lodge.

Harvest Dinner

In the month of November, at a date to be set, we will co-host a fundraiser with our Perry Eastern Star Chapter. The proceeds will go to the Roof Repair Fund. We will need plenty of help and support from all of you.

District Fish Fry

Plan to attend the Fish Fry at Oakland Lodge, Castile, NY on October 16th. Let's support this important event.


Flood damage relief

Brother Sam Sherman will head up this most worthy program for the coming year. Please plan to contribute if you are able.

Poor attendance

It seems that turnouts at meetings become fewer and fewer. What can we do to reverse this trend? We need your input. Please take a minute to think about what may be done. Give me a call at 237-2427, or contact any officer and give your advice. Let us know what we can do to make the meetings more interesting. The future of the Lodge is at stake. Please respond, this is a very important issue. □

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



W.: Craig
Reitmeier, Master
496-9975
2nd & 4th
Tuesdays
2nd Tues. Jan. &
Feb
David Hossenlopp,
Secretary 496-7267
Main Street
Arcade, New York 14009

Degrees

We have a candidate for the 1st Degree on October 13th and two for the 2nd Degree on October 27th.

Money raised

Our appeal for assistance in raising funds to make the necessary repairs to the floor at the Temple has not fallen on deaf ears. We have received \$2,700 from 25 members. We have a total of \$3,300 which includes the sale of the piano, hot dog sales during the Summer, and the check for relief from the Council of Masonic Activities Benevolence Fund. We plan to contact the contractor before this article goes to print so the floor can be finished this Fall.

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The hot dog sales mentioned above occurred during Civil War Days in the community and was held next to the Temple on the lawn. We also had a sale at the A & A Railroad Station in Curriers the following week. It was in conjunction with Mt. Vernon Lodge in response to a request from the railroad for fans of the Buffalo Sabres. The participants had a good time, although the sales were not up to expectations.

Sadness

We lost a very dedicated Brother and a gentleman this past August, W.: Lee Waters. He was in business in Arcade for many years and was active in the Lodge and the Eastern Star. He was a credit to Masonry and will be missed.

We lost a former Lodge Brother, Clyde Johnston of Springville, recently. He will also be missed. □

Past Master's Supper Club



President
W.: Ruel R. Lovett
494-2546
Secretary
R.: W.: Robert Sanford
292-6383

Worshipful Brothers

This is a warm welcome back from refreshment to labor. Of course, that isn't the way it really works. With the PM Supper Club we go from refreshment to refreshment! You have laid down your Apron of Labor and now must put on your Apron of the Six O'Clock Degree or the Knife and Fork Degree. We meet on the 4th Fridays at the Redmen's Party House on Lexington near Mt. Read.

I trust that everyone had a rich and fulfilling Summer vacation. The Lovett's did some traveling and some staying at home. We have the pleasure spending time with our grandchildren a few times per week. What can be greater than that? They respond to our every word and action. Most of you have the same pleasures, so you know what I'm talking about. Would each of you bring a picture of your grandchildren so that we can see them?

We would like to see the many Worshipful Brothers who have not been to meetings for some time. Come and visit with old friends and new friends. We start at 6:30 p.m. with cards and fellowship. At 7:00 p.m. we have dinner in the dining room. After dinner, we have a short meeting followed by a guest speaker with an interesting topic. I'll bet that each of you can supply an interesting quip or anecdote. Come join the fun. □



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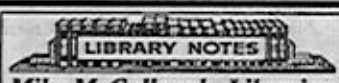
Acacia Village News

Acacia Village welcomes...!

HOORAY! As of September 4th, we are 100% occupied! If you've been hesitant because you weren't ready, you'll now have to get on our waiting list. We warmly welcome our most recent move-ins. They are: Earl Jones, a Utica native, moved in on July 31st: Grace Stearns was born in Brooklyn, but has lived most of her life in Utica, arriving in Acacia on July 31st: Irene and Ben Swirat moved here on August 7th from the suburbs, New Hartford: Carol and Arthur Freedman joined us on September 3rd. They are long time Utica residents, and David Parry, well known in the Utica

community, completed our "family" when he moved in on September 4th.

WELCOME ALL!



LIBRARY NOTES
Mike McCullough, Librarian

By R.: W.: F. Jay McCullough
The Monroe Masonic Library is being restocked and refurbished. Books, periodicals and magazines are being sorted and labeled with library codes.

Help needed

As soon as some volunteers have been lined up for regular hours during the week, Library access will resume on a standard business basis.

For sale

There are a few books, "Ask me" baseball style caps, Washington in his Apron pictures for framing and other small items for sale at a nominal cost.

In particular, we presently have a dozen or more sets of volumes of the "History of Freemasonry" (Mackey 1906) and the "Encyclopedia of Freemasonry" (Mackey 1924 and other years.) These are available to individuals and Lodges at \$1.00 per set until all are gone. If your Lodge does not have a library, buy a set to get one started.

Until we have proper staffing, contact me (352-1061) to make any of the purchases of items identified or to access the Library.

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Masonic Gothic Bowling League



John J. Flynn, Secretary
227-6106

By Harold Reynolds, President
A new Bowling Season has begun and we are in need of bowlers on our Wednesday Night Masonic League at Maiden Lanes. We bowl from 8:30 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. Why not get a team from your Lodge?

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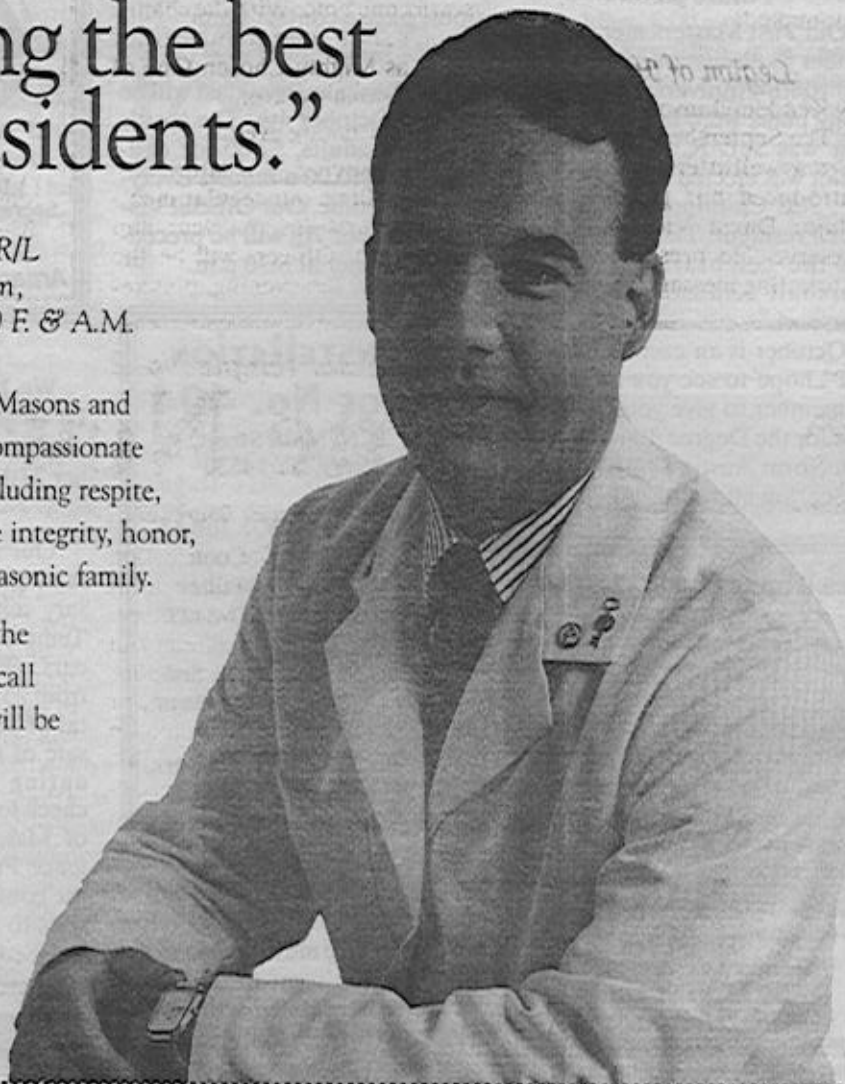
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Richard Topel, Monarch

Monarch's Message

At this writing I'm getting everything ready for the ESGA Convention in Elmira, NY. Best of luck to our Master of Ceremonies, Leon VanHuben, who is running for Secretary of the ESGA. Let's not forget our Secretary, Ken Milner, who will be installed as 1st Vice President. Congratulations and good luck to both of you.

New members

Let's get behind our Membership Chairman, Ken Hutchinson, and make this Fall Stampede a success. Now that our Blue Lodges are have Degree work, try and promote the Grotto to the new members in your Lodge. We need new members in order to put on the Ceremonials.

Sickness and distress

Prophet Bob Sanford had to have some more surgery and is now home. It was good to hear that everything was successful and hope to see you at our meetings soon, Bob.

If you hear of any illness, please call me at 663-2547. □

Board of Governors

Note date and time change

The meeting will be held Wednesday, October 7th at 7:00 p.m. in our newly carpeted Grotto office. Thanks to Vern Goodrich, the old carpet was replaced. Thanks, Vern. □

Monarch's Ball

Make your reservations now for November 7th. Please note price corrections in the menu offerings in the *Masonic Times*. Use the order blank in this issue for a fun filled evening. Entree #1 is

Steak for \$28.50; #2 is White Fish for \$23.50 and #3 is Veal Parmesan for \$19.50. Dancing will follow and a good time will be had by all.

Deadline for reservations is October 26th. Send order blank and check to Ron Morthorst, 231 Mystic Lane, Rochester, NY 14623. □

Membership

By Ken Hutchinson

Don't forget the Fall Ceremonial on October 21st. Now is the time to sign up your Master Mason candidates.

Remember this year our Monarch has challenged me to bring in twice as many candidates as in 1997. The winner has a steak dinner, the loser eats beans!

Prophets, we're half way to our goal...I know you don't want me to be the one eating a bean dinner.

Remember, someone asked you to join the Grotto. Now it's your turn to ask someone else. □

Master of Ceremonies

The Grotto Dinner will be Wednesday, October 21st at 6:00 p.m. The menu is Roast Pork or Chicken, cost is \$7.00. All reservations are to be in by October 16th to Leon VanHuben at 647-1391. The dinner will be followed by a meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Remember

A reservation made is a reservation paid! □

Legion of Honor

By Ken Hutchinson, Chairman
The September Legion meeting was well attended. Bill Samar introduced our guest speaker, Major David Vickers, USMC Reserve. He presented a most interesting message.

Our next meeting will be October 19th at the Dutch Mill, 2901 Dewey Avenue. Dinner at 6:30 p.m., meeting at 7:30 p.m.

We will have an interesting speaker, and we'll try another Jokefest, so come prepared. □

Dates to Remember

- Thurs., Oct. 1st - Caldron Election of Officers
- Sat., Oct. 3rd - White Fez Luncheon - Cartwright's Inn
- Wed., Oct. 7th - Bd. of Governor's meeting
- Wed., Oct. 14th - Caldron Exe. Council Banquet - Keenan's Rest. 6:30 p.m.
- Sat., Oct. 17th - Caldron Public Installation 6:30 p.m.
- Mon., Oct. 19th - Legion of Honor Dinner and meeting - Dutch Mill

Attend Grotto Meetings
Enjoy the Fellowship

Caldron News

By Ethel Hazzard, MCO

Autumn is upon us and it's time for the leaves to change to scarlet and gold. With the change of the season comes the end of my reign as Mighty Chosen One of Lalla Rookh Caldron.

Coming events

Note the change of date. October 1st will be our regular meeting. Reports for the year and Election of Officers will be the business of the evening, plus re-

ports from the Supreme Session. Time is 7:00 p.m.

October 3rd will be the White Fez Luncheon and Meeting at Cartwright's at 12:30 p.m.

October 14th is the Executive Council Banquet at Keenan Restaurant. Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m.

On October 15th we will rehearse for Installation at 6:30 p.m. in Doric Hall.

The Public Installation of the Caldron Officers will be on October 17th at 6:30 p.m.

On October 22nd the Pa. Mighty Chosen Ones will meet at the home of Daughter Arlin Topel.

Lalla Rookh Proudly Monarch

Honoring our Monarch

Saturday, November 7, 1998
Country Party House
321 Linden Ave.
East Rochester, NY

Dinner 6:30 p.m.
Dancing 8-11:30 p.m.

Choice of Entree

#1
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Please send number/entry
Morthorst, 231 Mystic Lane
October 26, 1998.

979 Bay Road
Webster, NY
14580-1736



Damascus Temple No. 2 Shrine News



From the Potentate



Joseph E. Bourcy III

ment to the War Memorial Arena and all around Rochester and the surrounding area when Damascus Temple brings the Circus to town. Excitement is all around us as we put the final touches on this year's Circus.

Our Circus Committee has put in long and tedious hours working with a lot of new features. A Circus producer, new management personnel at the War Memorial and the new, improved, and expanded facility. Thanks to Erwin Newell and the Committee for all they have done.

You are the people who make all this possible, not me or Erwin or the rest of the Committee. It's you Nobles and ladies who make us successful in what we do. Be

Potentate - Joseph E. Bourcy III

out for a while. The concession and novelty stands will be a lot different this year so we need everyone's help to make them run smoothly. Give stand captains, Don Leisten, George Simon, or Don Rose a call if you need a place to work. If you're new, this is a great opportunity to get active. It's fun to run away to the Circus, even if only for a week. Give it a try.

October meeting

We are going to have our meeting at the War Memorial Arena on October 7th at 7:00 p.m. There will not be a dinner preceding the meeting, but we will have some circus munchies and soda for those present. This is our opportunity to...

Reception

Lady Barbara and I thank all the Nobles and their ladies for supporting us at this year's Potentate's Ball. It was the highlight of our year and an event that we will long remember. Co-Chairman HP&P, Donald Rose, and 1st Ceremonial Master, William Baldwin, and the Reception Committee headed up by Sharon Baldwin, Personal Aide, William Samar and Ellen, Chief Aide, Dick Reber and Rose did a superb job. Thank you all for your hard work. Turn on to the Shrine.

Damascus Shrine Circus

By Erwin Newell



Scottish Rite NEWS

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



Ronald D. Mertens Commander-in-Chief



The activities of your Scottish Rite are well under way for the Fall season and we hope that you have and will continue to support them.

Awards Night

Thursday, October 1st will be a special night for the Valley of Rochester. Ill.: Robert O. Ralston, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of Scottish Rite will be our main speaker of the evening. He is a dynamic and personable individual with a clear direction for the future of our Craft. His presence alone is worth your effort to attend this program. However, we will also be honoring many of our Brethren from the various Lodges in our area and your attendance is earnestly solicited in order to show all present that the Scottish Rite supports all of Masonry.

Lexington trip

The bus trip to Lexington, MA has been cancelled as the response had been far less than anticipated. I would be interested to hear any comments you may have regarding this event as we are contemplating offering it again next year.

Testimonial Dinner

By now you have received the information regarding the Testi-

monial Dinner for Illustrious Brothers Norman H. Selke, 33° and Robert P. Zabel, 33°. We hope you will join with us on Friday, October 23rd to honor and recognize these two outstanding individuals.

Summer Outing

Our Summer Stag Outing at Shadow Lake was a tremendous success and I thank Terry Wihlen and his committee for all their hard work. The golfers had a great time, the food was plentiful and the fellowship was even better. Plans are already being made for an encore next year.

Membership

Now is the time to be thinking about new members for our Valley. We will soon be having a Brother Bring-a-Brother Night and the time for our Fall Reunion will fast be upon us. It is not too early to be asking those you know to join the Scottish Rite. We have something to offer everyone, so bring in those petitions. □

Ill.: Lawrence E. Hood Treasurer



Ill.: Lawrence E. Hood, 33° was installed as Treasurer of the



Ill.: Bruce W. Widger, 33°, Deputy for the State, Terry Wihlen, MC, Chapter of Rose Croix, John G. Wihlen, John C. Wihlen, Ill.: Harold L. Aldrich, 33°, Active and Ronald D. Mertens, Commander-in-Chief, Rochester Consistory.
(Photos courtesy Bruce Widger)



Raymond F. Unger, Jr. 32° MSA, Robert D. Hunt, Robert D. Beug, John G. Wihlen and Leland G. Uffindell who received their Fifty-Year Certificates at the Outing at Shadow Lake on August 21st.

Valley of Rochester, A.A.S.R. on May 8, 1998. He succeeds Ill.: Norman H. Selke, 33°.

Masonic career

Brother Hood was raised in Willoughby Lodge No. 302 in Willoughby, Ohio, November 21, 1963. He became a dual member in Fairport Lodge No. 476 shortly after locating in the Rochester area.

Ill.: Brother Hood joined the Scottish Rite, Valley of Rochester, on December 2, 1967 and became a very active participant. Over the years Brother Hood has taken part, at one time or another, in every Degree conferred in the Valley. For many years he served as Coordinator of the Degree Directors and is currently involved in directing three Degrees and serving as Chairman of the Nominating Committee.

In 1980 he was elected Commander-in-Chief of the Valley. Ill.: Brother Larry Hood was coroneted 33° on September 27, 1978.

In the York Rite Brother Hood joined Ionic Chapter No. 210 (now Hiram Chapter No. 62), RAM, and served as its High Priest. He was a member and Commander, several times, of Cyrene/Monroe Commandery No. 12 and is now Captain General of Sagoyewatha Commandery. He is a member of the York Rite College, Genesee Assemblage No. 25, serving at one time as Deputy Governor, and a member of St. Mark's Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine.

Ill.: Brother Hood is a member of Damascus Shrine Temple No. 2 and has served on the Divan and as Colonel of the Units and Lieutenant of the Damascus Patrol. He is a member of Court No.

3, Royal Order of Jesters and a member of the Royal Order of Scotland.

Personal

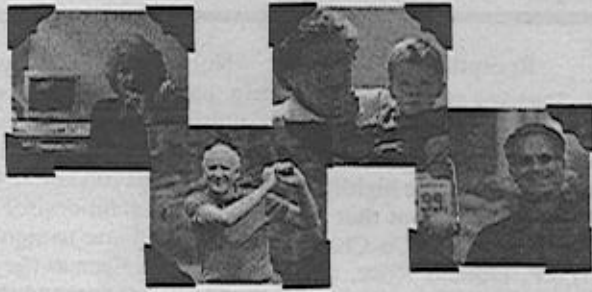
Ill.: Brother Lawrence E. Hood and his wife, Margaret (Marge), reside in Canandaigua. They have three daughters, Cynthia, Kathy and Deborah and are blessed with three grandchildren. They are members of the First Baptist Church of Fairport where he has served as Chairman of the Church Board of Trustees and Church Moderator. Ill.: Larry is a former Marine. □

Testimonial Dinner for

Ill.: Norman H. Selke, 33°
and
Ill.: Robert P. Zabel, 33°

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Friday, November 6, 1998

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1361 Marsh Road, Pittsford

Social Hour 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Buffet Dinner 7:00 p.m.

All Sponsors, guests and their ladies will be the guests of the Scottish Rite.

The price for a dinner if you DO NOT bring a guest is \$20.00.

A flyer will be sent to the membership.
Please return the reservation portion to:

Rochester Consistory
875 Main Street East
Rochester, NY 14605

The deadline is Friday, October 30th!

27th & 29th Districts - RAM
8th Cryptic District - R&SM
Zone 11 - Knights Templar

York Rite NEWS

York Rite College
Judas Maccabeus

**District Deputy
Grand
High Priest**

Royal Arch Masons
29th Capitular District



R.E. William J. Kucharz
671-8774

With the approach of October, we are entering into the busy season of Royal Arch Masonry with Ritual, activities, and pleasures.

Degree

Most important during October will be the Royal Arch Degree at Utica on October 10th. This promises to be a memorable event for all to enjoy. For those planning to attend, I urge you to be there before 9:00 a.m. to enjoy observing the Opening of your Grand Chapter. For those who plan to drive, Utica is approximately 2 1/2 hours from Rochester, so plan accordingly.

Please remember to support the Royal Arch Charities, particularly the Scholarship Program.

Thought for the month

Knowledge in youth is wisdom in old age.

Hiram Chapter
No. 62



2nd & 4th
Thursdays

E. Bruce Horncastle, High Priest
607-347-4680
Richard J. Oliver, Secretary
594-2380
875 Main Street East
Rochester, N.Y. 14605

Busy schedule!

Our Fall season finds Royal Arch activities high and requiring much of the Companions' time and efforts in the performing of tasks and Ritual work. Let me get straight to the duties and activities coming up.

Degrees

There are no changes as to the dates and times of the Degrees coming up since my last writing-let us list them here.

The Mark Master Degree and the Past Master Degree were held on September 24th.

On October 2nd the Most Excellent Master Degree will be held in Cathedral Hall at 7:30 p.m. This is a Friday night, everyone, not a Thursday. Dinner will start at 6:30 p.m. and is \$8.00. The candidates get their dinner free. Please call your reservations in to me at 607-347-4680. This is my telephone/fax number.

On October 10th the Holy Royal Arch Degree will be held at the Masonic Campus in Utica. Grand Chapter will open at 9:00 a.m. and the Degree will commence at 10:00 a.m. All Companions having the HRA Degree conferred to them MUST be there on time. Arrangements for carpooling will be made in advance. Lunch will be served at noon and be assured of reasonable rates for the meal.

October trip

Please, Companions, make your arrangements and reservations immediately for your hotel and lunch for the trip to Scarborough (Toronto area). This year Hiram Chapter visits Orient Chapter at their home. Every member of the Chapter should have received their invitations and information as to the hotel accommodations and dates, October 23rd and 24th. If you have any questions, please contact Tom Paglia at 227-2046. This trip will be quite eventful, so you don't want to miss it.

Hiram Chapter Auction

What? You just don't know what to do with the family heirlooms? Grandma's ruby ring just doesn't fit anymore? Tired of dusting all those knick-knacks? Need more space in the mansion? I have the answer! Wrap and box up those items and donate them to the annual famous Hiram Chapter Auction! A brief description as to what is inside the box is needed to help the auctioneer in his pitch. All proceeds go to the Chapter for the Scholarship Fund. All are welcome and please bring your esteemed wallet or checkbook.

The date is November 12th. The place is the 3rd floor dining room in the Downtown Temple. The time is 7:30 p.m., with dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Bi-Centennial Celebration

Hiram's celebration of the 200th Birthday of RAM in New York will be held in the 3rd floor dining room at the Downtown Temple on Saturday, October 17th from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Displays, a historical lecture and more will be available as well as all of the Officers of the Chapter. Refreshments and snacks will also be served during the celebration. This event is open to the public, so all are cordially invited. All of the Companions of the

Chapter, as well as other Chapters and Masonic Bodies, will be receiving invitations in the mail.

If you have any questions regarding this, contact John Dudley at 586-6426 or Bill Lindsay at 621-3563.

Any questions regarding anything of the above can always be referred to me at anytime-607-347-4680.

**200 Years of Royal Arch
Masonry**

By William Lindsay
Hiram Chapter No. 62 proudly celebrates 200 years of Royal Arch Masonry in the State of New York, October 17, 1998, 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m., Downtown Masonic Temple, with a program open to all members of the Masonic family and friends.

The afternoon program will begin with a 1:00 p.m. arrival and registration in the 3rd floor dining room. Several related Masonic groups will be present with information stands about their particular organization. The Finger Lakes Chapter of the Philalethes Society will have the Sarachan Library open with a display of Royal Arch materials from the collection.

At another location, there will be a video presentation regarding Royal Arch Masonry. Information will be available about the Royal Arch Scholarship Programs, and Royal Arch support for the Masonic Home and Medical Research Laboratory.

A complete set of costumes from all the Degrees will be on display and Companions will be present to answer questions regarding the historical significance of the costume.

At 2:30 p.m. there will be a Convocation in Cathedral Hall for a short program consisting of: Processional

Greetings and recognitions by E. Bruce Horncastle

Introduction of Past High Priests of Hiram Chapter by E. Paul Josephson

A short history of 200 years of Royal Arch Masonry in New York State by R.E. Raymond Beardsley

Grand Chapter greetings by R.E. Arnold Palmer, Grand King, Grand Chapter RAM, State of New York

"A Ceremony of Renewal" by R.E. Charles Roberts

Close and recessional

There will be refreshments for all in the 3rd floor dining room. Refreshment reservations appreciated to 473-4351.

The afternoon promises to be rich in Masonic tradition and lore, surrounded by graciousness and civility, a time to take stock of who we are and pride in where we have been. A time to, with one voice, proclaim that we march looking forward.

**District Deputy
Grand
High Priest**

Royal Arch Masons
29th Capitular District



R.E. Daniel N. Evans

Fellow Companions

The Fall season is upon us, it is now time to prepare the work for the upcoming year. We have been loafing around all Summer. The weather this season as a whole has been quite nice, even though a little mixed up, thanks to El Nina. Now they are telling us that lake effect storms are expected in our area this Winter and this will effect us.

Grand Line Officers Visits

On October 15th, the Grand Royal Arch Captain of the Host, R.E. David F. Stoy and the Grand Master of the 1st Veil, R.E. F. Jay McCullough, will honor us with their presence. They will bring with them information from the Grand High Priest, M.E. Edward S. Newsham. A Dutch Treat Dinner will be served, from the menu at the Candlelight Restaurant at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will take place immediately following at the Batavia Temple.

Official Visit of DDGHP

I will be visiting each Chapter this Fall and see how they are progressing and to see if help is needed in developing programs for the coming year. All have been asked to have a program in place for your Chapter for the ensuing year. A means is also needed to generate new members for your Chapter, which will be one of the topics covered on my visit to your Chapter. The tentative visitation dates are as follows:

Oct. 13-3X3, Spencerport
Oct. 22-Chapter 175, Albion
November 9-Chapter 322, Pike
Nov. 10-Chapter 181, Warsaw
Nov. 19-Chapter 35, Batavia
Nov. 23-Chapter 183, Leroy

If for some reason these dates will create a problem, please notify me at your earliest convenience. Because of the heavy snow predicted this Winter, I am making my Visits in early Fall.

Royal Arch Stamps

There is no better way to support the Scholarship Fund than by the use of the Royal Arch Stamps. These can be used on your letters for getting the Royal Arch name out to the public. All High Priests should have a supply of these stamps on hand for their members.

District Grand Officers

There will be a meeting following a breakfast on December 6th at Attica Lodge. The purpose is to select 2 candidates to be recommended to the Grand High Priest for appointment as District Deputy Grand High Priest or Assistant Grand Lecturer of the 29th Capitular District.

**Western Star
Chapter No. 35
RAM**

3rd Thursday

R.E. Jerold Brade, HP
344-1808
Paul McCullough, Sec.
762-8539

200 E. Main Street
Batavia, NY 14020

Now that Summer is over and the chill of Fall is in the air, the best place to be is in the warmth of your Chapter. Over the Summer recess, a few of the Companions have been busy working on our new Internet web site. At the first meeting of Western Star Chapter, I will be bringing a rough draft of the site for review. The site is located at
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Western Star Chapter

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www.iinc.com/nonprof/bataviamasons. It is still under construction, but it has some great information. We are willing to put information from any Genesee/Wyoming District Masonic Lodge on the site. For more information, come to the Chapter meeting on the 24th or you can e-mail me at vangelis@iinc.com.

Setting direction

The first meeting of the year is an important one for all Chapters. It's a time to set direction and get reacquainted with friends. At our first meeting we will be anticipating what our High Priest will have to say about what he has planned for the upcoming year. We all hope there are interesting and informative things planned.

Grand Council Cryptic Masons State of New York



R. Ill. Stephen A. Licht
Grand Standard Bearer

Companions!

M. I. Paul B. Matthews, Grand Master, and R. I. Douglas Swan, Deputy Grand Master, extend their warm fraternal regards and announce the forthcoming Ritual Festival. On Saturday, November 14th, 1998, the Grand Council, Cryptic Masons of the State of New York will host the Northeast Regional Festival '98 on the campus of the Masonic Home in Utica.

Companions, this event is part of the 175th Anniversary Celebration of our Grand Council. We were chartered by the Grand Council of Connecticut in 1823. They will rededicate our Grand Council at this celebration.

The Royal Master Degree will be exemplified by the Grand Council of the State of New York; the Select Master Degree by the Grand Council of Canada East, and the Super Excellent Master Degree by the Grand Council of the State of Maine.


This will be a full day of Cryptic Masonry and advance reservations for your meals would be appreciated. Each Council should have reservation forms available. The meal expenses are: Breakfast \$8.00; Luncheon \$10.00 and a Buffet Dinner, \$17.50. Please make checks payable to: William Vassily, Festival Chairman, 7733 Apricot Lane, Liverpool, NY 13090. His phone number is (315) 652-6772.

Tentative schedule

At the Masonic Home on Saturday, November 14th the schedule is: Breakfast in Fellowship

Hall at 7:00 a.m.; 9:00 a.m. is the Opening of Council and introduction of dignitaries; 10:00 a.m. - Royal Master Degree; 11:00 a.m. - Select Master Degree; 12:15 p.m. - Lunch - men and women; 1:30 p.m. - Rededication of Grand Council; 2:30 p.m. - Super Excellent Master Degree; 3:30 p.m. - break!; 6:30 p.m. - refreshment hour and 7:15 p.m. is dinner in Fellowship Hall. There will be shopping and guided tours for the ladies.

**Doric Council
No. 19
Cryptic Masons**
(Chartered in 1861)

 **3rd
Wednesdays**

Paul B. Josephson, Ill. Master
334-7353
L. Edward Walker, Recorder
647-2382
875 Main St. East
Rochester, N.Y. 14605

It was my honor to represent Doric Council at Grand Council in Owego, NY. Also in attendance were: Companions William Lindsay, R. E. Jay McCullough, Ill. Arnold Palmer, Rt. Ill. William Zufall, Ill. Douglas Poole, Rt. Ill. and Rev. Charles Roberts, Rt. Ill. William Whittaker, and M. Ill. Raymond Beardsley. You can see Doric Council was well represented.

In Line

One of my duties and privileges at Grand Council was to place the name of Ill. and Rev. Charles Roberts in nomination for the Office of Grand Steward. In spite of that, he was elected. The secondings speeches of Ill. Douglas Poole and Companion William Lindsay must have given him all the support he needed. Doric Council now has two more voices at Grand Council as Rt. Ill. William Zufall was appointed Grand Lecturer. Congratulations to them, we all know that they will excel in their new positions.

Cooperation Committee

M. Ill. Raymond Beardsley reported on the York Rite Cooperation Committee. He stated that there have been meetings and progress has been made. Their goal is to have a joint Annual Meeting by the year 2004.

Charity Fund

Once again Doric Council led the State in the amount of money given and the amount per person was well ahead of all others. Congratulations to all of you who have supported our Charity Drive.

Bible

I had the privilege of receiving the Harold M. Kreason Memorial Bible on behalf of the Companions of Doric Council. This is the 1st year that this Bible has been presented and Doric Council will be the first name in it. The Bible has to be returned to Grand

Council next year to be awarded to the Council with the highest per capita donation. I hope and believe that this Bible will become a mainstay in our Council.

Candidates

We have candidates, but I don't know if we will be conferring the Degrees as our first meeting has not yet taken place. There is a Northeast Regional Festival of Royal and Select Masters being conferred on November 13-14 in Utica. The Royal Master Degree will be conferred by the Jurisdiction of New York, the Select Master Degree by Eastern Canada and the Super Excellent Master Degree by Maine. There will also be a Re-dedication of Cryptic Masonry, 175 years, in New York by our Mother Council, The Grand Council of Connecticut. I would like to take our candidates to this gala event. I will get back to you on this.

Dinner

There will be a dinner at our October 21st meeting. Dinner choices are Roast Pork or Chicken Breast. Call Ed Walker at 647-2382, or me at 334-7353, for reservations. No reservation, no dinner!

Nun-Da-Wa-Ga Council No. 92

4th Monday
West Main Street
LeRoy, NY 14482

Ill. Keith C. Denton
Master
637-9318
Ill. Ruell R. Lovett
Recorder
494-2546

Nun-Da-Wa-Ga was well represented at Grand Council this year. We once again (the 9th year in a row) received the Award for contributing \$5 or more per member to charity. I would like to get a couple fundraisers going so we can get that number up to \$10 or \$15 per member this year.

Degrees

We will be conferring the Royal Master Degree on September 28th and the Select Master Degree on October 26th. Both Degrees will be at 8:00 p.m. in LeRoy. Please plan to join us with candidates you might have.

We plan to have a good contingent from our Council attending the Super Excellent Degree in November at Utica.

Reminder

Our Council only meets once a month on the 4th Monday at 8:00 p.m. and LeRoy's Royal Arch meets just before at 7:00 p.m. York Rite unity in action. Come join us!

Zone 11 News

SK Ronald Bertie, PGC
Zone Advisor
SK Howard C. Colegrove,
Zone Commander

By SK Howard Colegrove

The Annual Conclave took place in Buffalo on September 18th thru the 20th.

SK Kenneth Perry, Grand Senior Warden, will hold the Zone School of Instruction, as per General Order #1, at Sagoyewatha Commandery No. 17, Phelps, on October 17th at 9:00 a.m. All are welcome to attend. The Short

Form Malta will be conferred or exemplified, "Optional Short Form Ceremonial."

Cyrene-Monroe Commandery No. 12

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1st & 3rd
Mondays



SK Laszlo Tuczai
Commander
SK Lawrence W. Dunn
Recorder 594-8033

By Don Brugger

Our September meeting was a productive one with all refreshed after the Summer break.

We congratulate SK Robert Cave, our new Grand Commander, and his new Grand Line. We wish them well in the coming Templar year.

October meetings

The first meeting will be a regular Conclave with Full Form Opening. Be there!

Our October 19th meeting will be preceded by a Pot Luck Dinner by the Schicker Club.

Orders

Due to the conflict with the Grand Council Re-dedication in Utica on the 14th of November, the conferral of the Templar Orders has been cancelled. Please notify anyone involved.

Inspections

The Schedule for Inspections is as follows:

DeMolay - Feb. 18, 1999

Cyrene/Monroe -

Apr. 16, 1999

Sagoyewatha - March 20, 1999

The Ritual requirements are the Mediterranean Pass and selected passages from the Order of Malta. Please plan on helping our Sister Commanderies with their Inspections.

Zone

Our new Zone Commander, Howard Colegrove, was elected President of the Council Officers at the Summer meeting. Thanks to SK Bill Jones for hosting this affair again. We should be hearing from SK Colegrove soon.

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Greetings, Sir Knights

Congratulations to our new Grand Commander, SK Robert Cave, and his line of Officers. We extend the best wishes for a successful Templar Year and our pledge of support.

Your attention, please

Please note the following dates:

October 8th is a regular con-

clave at 8:00 p.m. The focus of the evening will remain as improving our Ritual of Opening and Closing. Slow, steady progress will result in an outstanding Inspection. Those Sir Knights who have been elected and appointed to unfamiliar offices, your attendance is essential to the Commandery and will facilitate your learning. I will be somewhat incapacitated for an indefinite period of time and will be requesting assistance from my fellow Sir Knights.

Refreshments will follow.

October 19th is the Zone School of Instruction at Hugh de Payens Commandery in East Aurora. Mark your calendars and plan on an interesting and informative evening that will better prepare all officers for the Annual Inspection in March.

October 22nd is a regular conclave at 8:00 p.m. The Ladies of Templary will honor us by arranging a Pot Luck Dinner at the customary hour of 6:30 p.m. Please bring your table service and dish to pass as requested. Please, Sir Knight Brade, this does not mean a cereal bowl of stale potato chips! (Just kidding, Jerry!).

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Companions

Since there is no meeting this month, this will be a short article. I do want to extend the offer of a helping hand to Chapters, Councils and Commanderies. There is much talent in our College. If you think we can help, just ask.

September meeting

The Companion Knights who attended and assisted Segoyewatha Commandery on the 12th did a fine job. Many thanks to Companion Bill Jones for his help in setting this up. We hope to do more of this type of format in the future.

At the meeting CK Bill Jones reported on the By-laws Committee's draft for changes incorporating a fee for affiliation. These will be published and mailed in readiness for action at our next meeting.

Distinguished Service Award

We want to congratulate Ellsworth H. Bedette on receiving the Grand Council's Award for Distinguished Service. It was a personal pleasure for me to escort him to the East at Grand Council.

December

Our next meeting will be December 12th at Etolian Lodge, 133 South Union Street, Spencerport, at 3:00 p.m. Companion James Powell, at 352-6358, will be the Maestro in charge. Dinner plans will be announced for 5:30 p.m. at a local restaurant. Jim will supply the details when he has made the arrangements. Let's have a good crowd and play to his music.

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(The words of our National Anthem are heart stirring and patriotic. Most of us know the first verse and the last, but very few know the 2nd and 3rd. I thought it might be a good idea to review them and their meaning for your edification.)

The Star Spangled Banner

O say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hail'd at the twilight's last gleaming?
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro' the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched were so gallantly streaming.
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof thro' the night that our flag was still there!
O say, does the star-spangled banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

On the shore, dimly seen thro' the mist of the deep,
Where the foe's haughty host in dread silence reposes,
What is that which the breeze, o'er the towering steep,
As it fitfully blows, half conceals, half discloses?
Now it catches the gleam of the morning's first beam,
In full glory reflected, now shines on the stream-
'Tis the star-spangled banner. O long may it wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

And where is that band who so vauntingly swore,
That the havoc of war and the battle's confusion,
A home and a country should leave us no more?
Their blood has washed out their foul footsteps' pollution.
No refuge could save the hireling and slave
From the terror of flight, or the gloom of the grave,
And the star-spangled banner in triumph doth wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

O thus be it ever when freemen shall stand
Between their loved homes and the war's desolation,
Blest with vict'ry and peace, may the Heav'n-rescued land
Praise the Power that hath made and preserved us a nation!
Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just,
And this be our motto, "In God is our trust"-
And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

Francis Scott Key

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Because of the new format at the War Memorial Arena, previous allocations may not exist. Please contact the Shrine Temple (671-7701) and let them know what shows you or your group are available to work.

Manpower Committee
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New Videos Available

El Paso, Texas-Capstone Productions has begun distribution of the first tape in a new Masonic video series called "Masonic Conversations". The first of ten programs is titled "George Washington's Mount Vernon and the George Washington Masonic National Memorial". Donald M. Robey, Executive Secretary and Treasurer of the Memorial, and Jim Rees, Director of Historic Mount Vernon, discuss how their organizations are promoting the heritage of George Washington as first President and as a Freemason.

Jim Rees said, "George Washington felt so strongly about being a Mason that it's one of the things he did for virtually his entire life. He truly believed in it, and it was an important part of his life". Don Robey explained how the Memorial and Mount Vernon are gearing up for a major celebration in 1999 for the 200th Anniversary of George Washington's death.

The ten half-hour programs were videotaped at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial in February with ten national Masonic scholars. The additional nine video programs are being edited at Capstone Productions Inc. The programs can now be ordered from Capstone Productions Inc. for \$20 each on VHS tape. All of the videos will be available this Fall, and make excellent Lodge programs. The new videos are cleared to run on cable TV public access channels. Production funding for this "Masonic Conversation" series was provided by The Scottish Rite Research Society, The Masonic Information Center, The Masonic Renewal Committee of North America, The Philaethes Society, and Capstone Productions, Inc., which is additionally donating \$5 per video sold to the Masonic Information Center as a tribute to John J. Robinson.

Here are the Masonic scholars who are featured on the "Masonic Conversation" series:

Steven Trachtenberg, President of George Washington University in Washington, DC, who speaks about Freemasonry during the Enlightenment.

James Rees, Director of Historic Mount Vernon, and Donald M. Robey, PGM, Executive Secretary and Treasurer of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, describe their efforts to jointly publicize the history of George Washington.

Dr. William Fox gives a summary of his new book, "The Lodge of the Double-Headed Eagle", a history of the Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction.

Kevin M. Tuck, Director of the Institute for Masonic Studies at the Grand Lodge of California, F & AM describes Masonic symbols and their Masonic meaning.

Richard E. Fletcher, PGM, discusses the work of the Masonic Service Association of North America and the Masonic Information Center.

Colonel George Harrington, President of the National Sojourners, Inc., explains the Sojourners, their Collingwood Headquarters, and Heroes of 76.

Wallace E. McLeod, Exec. Sec., Philaethes Society, discusses the "Origins of Freemasonry".

Dr. S. Brent Morris, author and historian, tells viewers how to start a Masonic library.

Dr. Rex R. Hutchens, Ph.D., author and historian, explains the Knights Templar.

Pete Normand, Editor of "The Plumline" of the Scottish Rite Research Society, explains how a "new" kind of Masonic Lodge attracts and keeps members.
(Courtesy Capstone Productions, Inc.)

Mid-Day Bowling League



John Specht, Secretary
548-2694

Daylight Bowling resumes in Spencerport
By Jay McCullough

For the third season, the Senior Masonic Bowling League resumes play at the Spencerport Bowling Lanes at the intersection of Routes 31 and 259.

Take the x-way 531 West to the Union St. exit. Go North on 259 to the Rte. 31 light. Take a left and the Spencerport Bowl is less than a quarter of a mile on the left.

Expect to begin at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, October 5th and continue each Monday thereafter for the season. This is a regularly sanctioned League of the ABC. Secretary, John Specht [548-2694], or the President, Buz Lovett [494-2546], can answer any questions you may have. The coffee pot is always on and the camaraderie is excellent.

Join us. All are welcome. □

Masonic Membership Card

I hold in my hand a little scrap of paper 2 1/2 x 3 1/2 inches in size. It is of no intrinsic worth, not a bond, not a check or receipt for valuables, yet it is my most priceless possession. It is my membership in a Masonic Lodge.

It tells me that I have entered into a spiritual kinship with my fellow Masons to practice charity in word and deed; to forgive and forget the faults of my Brethren; to hush the tongues of scandal and innuendo; to care for the crippled, the hungry, and the sick, and to be fair and just to all mankind.

It tells me that no matter where I may travel in the world, I am welcome to visit a place where good fellowship prevails among brothers and friends.

It tells me that my loved ones, my home, and my household are under the protection of every member of this great Fraternity, who have sworn to protect and defend mine, as I have sworn to protect and defend theirs.

It tells me that should I ever be overtaken by adversity or misfortune through no fault of my own, the hands of every Mason on the face of the earth will be stretched forth to assist me in my necessities.

Finally, it tells me that when my final exit from the stage of life has been made, there will be gathered around my lifeless body friends and Brothers who will recall to mind my virtues, though they be but few, and will forget my faults, though they may be many.

It tells me that and a great deal more, this little card, and makes me proud, yet humble, that I can possess this passport into a society of friends and Brothers who are numbered in the millions.
(Courtesy Knight Templar Magazine)



FINGER LAKES CHAPTER
William Edwards, President
872-3993
George Springett, Secretary
247-3557

Exciting times!

It has been an exciting few weeks in the Edwards' household. Our son, Michael Robert Edwards, was born on August 20th. Terri is doing fine and Katie, our 3 year old daughter, enjoys her baby brother.

200th Celebration

On October 17th the Royal Arch Masons will be holding their 200th Anniversary Celebration. The Finger Lakes Chapter has been asked to open the Masonic Library and provide refreshments for the celebration from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. If you are able to help out during this historic event, please give me a call at 872-3993.

Save the date

The Fall Chapter meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 30th. Further details will be included in next month's article. □

Preamble to the Constitutions

As an expression of the simplest form of faith of Masonry, not exhaustive, but incontrovertible and suggestive, the following is

The Masonic Belief

There is one God, the Father of all men.

The Holy Bible is the Great Light in Masonry, and the Rule and Guide for faith and practice. Man is immortal.

Character determines destiny. Love of man is, next to love of God, man's first duty.

Prayer, communion of man with God, is helpful.

Recognizing the impossibility of confining the teaching of Masonry to any fixed forms of expression, yet acknowledging the value of authoritative statements of fundamental principles, the following is proclaimed as

The Masonic Teaching

Masonry teaches man to practice charity and benevolence, to protect chastity, to respect the ties of blood and friendship, to adopt the principles and revere the ordinances of religion, to assist the feeble, guide the blind, raise up the downtrodden, shelter the orphan, guard the altar, support the Government, inculcate morality, promote learning, love man, fear God, implore His mercy and hope for happiness. □

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compasses and quadrant. There are many geometric methods of erecting a square; the Past Master's jewel hints at one of the simplest and most used methods as best for the Past Master to employ in instructing his successor.

Q. What is a "recognized Grand Lodge"?

A. The fifty Grand Lodges of the United States have different conceptions of "regularity." Thus the Grand Lodge of State A will "recognize" - that is accept as equal, regular, legitimate Freemasonry - the Grand Lodge of Foreign Country X, while the Grand Lodge of State B is not satisfied that the Grand Lodge of foreign country X conforms to all requirements of the Grand Lodge of State B. Thus a Grand Lodge of a foreign country may be legitimate Masonry to the Grand Lodge of one State and "clandestine", "irregular" or unrecognized by another State. The Masonic Service Association publishes every July a chart showing what Grand Lodges outside the United States are "recognized" by each of the fifty Grand Lodges of the Nation.

6th due to Officers attending Grand Chapter in Niagara Falls October 6, 7, and 8.

Rt. Wthy. Charlotte Barnard and Rt. Wthy. Norman Steinbaugh and other Grand Officers are looking forward to our Grand Chapter Session, and the Installation of our Grand Officers for 1999.

Communications

Rt. Wthy Dolores Hargrave received a telephone call from M. Wthy. Mary T. Strong stating that she and Clinton are both well and in the process of getting settled. She wishes to say "hello" to all, and hopes to see everyone at Grand Chapter.

Thanks

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support and assistance this past year that I have been District Deputy Grand Matron. Many of you have given me guidance and direction. It has been my pleasure to serve you in this appointment, which made the year go by fast. I felt honored.

We will also be presenting the Dedicated Service Awards to those Sisters who have been chosen by their individual Chapter. Please see the Secretary of your Chapter for information. Reservations need to be in by October 15th. Please make checks payable to Monroe District OES.

The East-West Luncheon will be October 31st at Carmestro's Restaurant, 50 Canning Street, Hilton. This is all the information I have available at this time. The combined Reception for the 1999 Grand Officers will be November 20th at the Downtown Masonic Temple, Doric Hall at 7:30 p.m. You might want to put this date on your calendars.

December 31st will be the District Holiday Party. It will be at Camp Eastman in Durand Eastman Park. More information later. We hope to see a lot of Sisters and Brothers there this year. We always have a good time. It is a great time to enjoy good food, fellowship and fun. The more the merrier.

We did it!

This includes every group and individual that made a 3 figure anonymous donation to anyone who purchased a 25 cent share ticket. The 1993 "Goosenspiegles" wants to thank everyone whom in any way, made this very worthwhile project a reality.

Freedom's Eastern Star

Star, for short, was born on December 5, 1997 to Balcrofts Bid for Fame and Hillsdale Hudson. If all goes well, she will be a full fledged guide dog in 1999. In the picture are some of the "Goosenspiegles" with Lucy, a guide dog mom, and the Loori family, who are the driving force behind Freedom Guide Dogs.

Again, thank you so much to everyone who helped accumulate \$5,500 in less than 3 years. WOW! Because of you a visually impaired person will find freedom through a guide dog.

Big hug

The Chicken Bar-B-Que was a great success. A great big hug to all who came out and worked so hard.

Without these many hands where would we be? To the fellas who are not members, but still came out and helped, a hearty thank you, and of course, more gratitude for my favorite project, the Pancake Breakfast. What fun, we always have such a great time doing this. Both days are a lot of work, but the end result makes it all worthwhile. Next year it will probably be bigger, as every year more and more folks come out to

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Thank you to all who have donated to the Robert M. Zinni Medical Fund. We are asking our Matrons to bring their container of collections for the Fund to Study Club on September 19th in order that we can put all the funds donated together, to give one check to help defray Robert's Medical expenses.

Meeting cancelled

Perry Chapter No. 497 will not be meeting on Tuesday, October

By Wthy. Barbara Spano

Something to be happy about

Rainy leaves stuck like emblems on the walk.

Fall greetings from your District leaders.

The 1998 District Banquet is October 29th at the Party House on Beahan Road. Gathering at 6:30 p.m. and dinner at 7:00 p.m. This is the night we will be awarding the funds we have collected for the scholarships to the individuals who have been chosen.

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Q. Why are a Past Master's compasses, in his Jewel, open at 60° on a quadrant instead of on a square?

A. The compasses open sixty degrees are in easy position to construct a square. The Master has worn the square while presiding; now, as Past Master, he is supposed to be in possession of the knowledge necessary to make a square, hence the position of the

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enjoy the delicious foods. Hope to see you all there next year.

If there is Chapter information that you would like me to include in this article, please let me know. I can be reached at 244-1503 or you can send it to 92 Lansdale St., Rochester, NY 14620-1518.

The easiest thing to wear is a smile...one size fits all.

Until next time, I wish you peace.

A note from M. Wthy. Wanda Williams

The Order of the Eastern Star is a world wide Fraternal, charitable and social organization. Within the State of New York there are approximately 45,000 members, comprised of 450 Chapters and is divided into 39 regional Districts. The bond of fraternal friendship provides the avenue to support the tradition of its members helping one another and humankind in general. This is practiced extensively through our members contributing and participating in many efforts to raise funds to aid and benefit benevolent and charitable activities. Where Chapters are located throughout our area of Monroe County and in the State, contributions are given to extend community programs and special needs, with the hope, encouragement and support offered, provides spiritual, as well as material helpfulness.

The Order also sponsors numerous programs and projects that directly benefit our members. Among the programs are the Emergency Relief Fund, a one time grant, the Social Service Fund for ongoing grants, the Cheer Fund for those members who are confined to nursing homes or their own homes, educational assistance and Nursing scholarships for members and children of members. We also support a Home for our infirmed members, operate an Independent Living Center with an Assisted Living Program for those members who have elected to move there and a Day Care Center. These are located in Oriskany, NY, and all are non-profit services. Many of our members volunteer in veterans hospitals and the Order contributes financially toward activities and needed items for their care and comfort.

Many Chapters have joined our Adopt-a-Veteran Program and extend personal assistance to their adoptee. Projects are also undertaken for children's hospitals and homes, with much attention given to children with special needs. The Order also sponsors and supports several youth organizations, giving these young people the opportunity to participate in fraternal and charitable activities under adult supervision.

As members of the Order, we accept the opportunities to be of service and are grateful for the privilege of extending our assistance, both emotionally and materially, to humanity as they struggle to overcome the challenges that have come their way. We are greatly appreciative of the support we receive from the community at large for our efforts and sincerely thank you.

Membership in the Order of the Eastern Star is open to women 18 and older, as well as Master Masons. You are welcome to make application through Masonic relationship or sponsorship of a Masonic member, who is also a member of the

Order. Acquiring membership in the Order of the Eastern Star opens the door to a collective means of supporting charitable efforts, while providing one with many enriching experiences. □

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No. 368
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Rt. Wthy. Susan Huff
Matron
Rt. Wthy. Carol Wynings
Secretary

20 South Main Street
Churchville, N. Y. 14428

By Wthy. Avis Theis

Our Worthy Matron, Rt. Wthy. Susan Huff, and some other members, will be off to Grand Chapter in Niagara Falls the first week in October. We wish for them the usual good experience, new and old friends and a safe journey.

Concerns

Wthy. Zim Sage spent a few days in the hospital after falling and fractured a bone in her leg. She is now home and we send her our best wishes. We also send our best to Sister Pat Cork and hope she stays well.

Meetings

October 6th is a regular meeting, Grand Sessions.

Our Birthday Tureen Dinner is at 6:30 p.m. on October 20th. Bring a dish to pass and your table service. The October Chairperson is Wthy. Anita Drake.

The Fairport Bazaar is October 17th.

The November Committee is Sisters Tony Jeerings, Ann and Brother Craig Mollon, Sister Mary Weinreber and Caroline Hedges.

We care

We will again do something for the Group Home. They are well taken care of, but they do enjoy and appreciate the little extras that we can give them. Wthy. Susan will let you know when we will go there, so think about helping them out.

Members

It was nice to have a visit with Wthy. Mary Jane Parry while she was visiting from Florida. We hope you have a nice Winter.

In the old days a fool and his money were soon parted, now it happens to everyone! □

Rochester Chapter
No. 314
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A few quick reminders

October is upon us. Fall is in the air. The year is beginning to come to a close. Grand Sessions will be October 6-8 in Niagara Falls. A few quick reminders, the October 3rd meeting is Past Matrons and Patrons Night. This year we will be having a special lunch after the meeting. It is also Ample Form.

Our November 7th meeting will be Memorial Night. Remember to wear white gowns.

Bazaar

The Fall Bazaar is coming up in October. I hope you've been making things all Summer. Please get them to Rt. Wthy. Audrey as soon as you can. Let's not forget the Fall Candy Sale. Wthy. Linda Zahn is chairing it and has brochures for anyone who wants one.

Theater Ticket Fundraiser

Rochester Chapter is selling advanced sale discount tickets for The Footlight Players production of "Godspell" by special arrangement with Theatre Maximus in New York City. The dates are Saturdays, October 17th and 24th at 8:00 p.m. and Sundays, October 18th and 25th at 2:00 p.m. The place is St. Anne Church Auditorium, 1600 Mt. Hope Ave. Rochester Chapter will be getting a portion of the proceeds of each ticket we sell.

Tickets are good for all performances, and are reasonably priced. Special benefit advanced sale tickets are \$4.00 for seniors and students, \$6.00 for general admission and \$14.00 for a family. They may be obtained by contacting any member of Rochester Chapter or you may send a check payable to Rochester Chapter, with a stamped, self-addressed envelope, to me at 644 English Rd., Rochester, NY 14616. For information call 621-5737. All advance orders must be received by October 10th.

Dinner Theater

Rochester Chapter will be attending the October 18th matinee. After the performance we will be going to a nearby restaurant for dinner. If you would like to join us please let me know. For more information call me at the above number. Your support would be greatly appreciated. Everyone who came last time had great fun. All are welcome to join us. If you can't go at that time, go to another performance and make your own dinner theater.

Sickness and distress

On September 2nd we lost Sister Bea Buck. Sister Georgia Coates is holding her own. Rt. Wthy. Audrey Zufall is doing well after her hip surgery. If you know of any other sickness or distress please let the Secretary or me know.

Let's have fun and enjoy the rest of 1998. Most of all remember: Set a stout hert to stay brae. (The harder the task the more determination is needed). □

Fidelity Triangle No. 4
2nd & 4th Saturdays

Beloved Queen
Melissia DuBois



By Erika Hansen, PBQ

There are many new and exciting things that are happening with Fidelity Triangle. For those of you rushing headlong into the 21st Century, you might be surprised to find out that we are now hooked up to the Internet. Yes, you read that right! We have our very own website on the information super highway! We encourage everyone to check us out!

Please, it takes but a moment to type in the web address and just a few more to peruse the information contained in the site.

So, while you grab your pad and pencil, or boot up your computer, I will briefly talk about some of the page features you will be able to find at: <http://www.angel-fire.com/ny/fidelitytriangle/index.html>

Probably the most useful information that you might discover, is the list of Fidelity Triangle's officers and term plans. Also on the site is a short history of some interesting moments in Fidelity Triangle's 71 years of existence. For those of you who have had past involvement with our Triangle, you will be able to find a very extensive list of Past Beloved Queens, dating back as early as 1927.

As of now, there are very few pictures on the site but we are planning to add more in the near future as well as member profiles (including e-mail addresses for contacting members), recent news and an archive containing Degrees and speeches written by the girls. We hope that you will check back often to see the improvements to the page.

Goal

Our primary goal of this site is to provide current information on all the happenings of our youth group and give you additional means of supporting our endeavors. We hope that you will take advantage of the opportunities that the new age of technology has afforded us.

On that note, you will find three "webrings" towards the end of the main page. These tools will connect you to other Masonic websites around the world. For those of you new to the web, this will give you some other things to investigate.

Finally, please make sure that before you leave the site you sign our guestbook. Currently it is a bit empty (pout) and we would like that to change. We would like to know what you think about the goals we are trying to accomplish and the feedback you give is very important in that process.

Other events

October looks to be another busy month filled with work and fun for all. We Triangle girls will be traveling to Lockport for our District Mini-Convention on the 17th. This is where all the Triangles in our District gather together to participate in our School of Instruction and present our Ritualistic work and Degrees to our Senior Advisory Council. If you think you might be interested in seeing all our girls at their best, this is the event for you. Contact Mrs. Wendy Burrow, Junior Deputy at 637-3276 for further information.

At present it looks like our Public Installation of Officers will be at 2:00 p.m. on the afternoon of November 15th. However, please don't mark this in ink just yet as we are trying to make sure that this date is feasible for our members and advisors to attend. Keep a look out for the invitations in the mail, as that will confirm the actual date. If you have any questions concerning this event, please don't hesitate to call me at 244-1578, because I will be in charge of the Installation.

As always, if you know of any young ladies who could benefit from the influence of our youth group, send them our way (smiles). We are always looking for new and diverse youth to enhance our membership.

Until next time, thanks for sitting there (hopefully in a very comfy chair) and reading this little slice of Fidelity Triangle. □

In Memoriam

August

Newell, Clark R.

Clark was 96 years old when he passed away in Delray Beach, Florida, on August 11th. He was a member of East Rochester's Ancient Craft Lodge No. 943 and is survived by his wife, Janet.

Osborne, Leon B.

Leon went to his Heavenly Reward on August 13th at the age of 85. He was a member of Etolian Lodge No. 479 and is survived by children and grandchildren.

Lockwood, Dan F.

The Great Architect Above called Dan Home on August 22nd at the age of 52. He was a member of Fame Lodge No. 945 and is survived by his wife, Shirley.

White, Leon D., Jr.

Wakan/Hubbard Lodge No. 154 lost a member with the passing of Leon on August 27th. Survivors include his wife, Georgianna, daughter and 2 grandchildren.

Cook, William S.

East Rochester's Ancient Craft Lodge No. 943 lost another member with the death of William on August 28th. He is survived by his wife, Eleanor, son and 3 grandchildren.

September

Brockway, LaMonte W.

LaMonte was 98 years old when he was called Home on September 3rd. He was a member of Towpath Lodge No. 163 and Damascus Temple Shrine. Survivors include his children, grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

Marr, Raymond E.

Raymond was a member of Clio Lodge No. 779 and died September 7th. He is survived by his sons and 4 grandchildren.

Sorg, Milburn C.

Death claimed Milburn on September 12th at the age of 78. He was a member of Towpath Lodge No. 163 and is survived by his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

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

Godfrey, Norman

June 12th was the date of Norman's passing. He was a member of Attica Lodge No. 462.

Klump, Gordon F.

Eagle Valley Lodge No. 1161 lost a member with the passing of Gordon on July 5th.

Waters, Leland A.

Leland was a member of Arcade Lodge No. 419 when he died in August.

O'Neill, Herbert W., Jr.

A member of Warsaw Lodge No. 549, Herbert passed away August 8th.

Gillman, Charles H.

Charles died August 18th at his home in Texas. He was a member of Seneca Lodge No. 797.

Buck, Beatrice

Beatrice was a member of Rochester Chapter No. 314, OES and passed away September 2nd. □

Masonic Activities Looking Ahead

To make additions, call the Service Bureau at 473-4351

- 1998**
- Nov. 6 Scottish Rite Bring-a-Brother Night
Burgundy Basin Inn, Dinner-7:00 p.m.
 - Nov. 7 Lalla Rookh Monarch's Ball, Country Party House,
Linden Ave., East Rochester, 6:30 p.m.
Grand Lodge Officers Apron Presentation &
Retirement, Party House, Beahan Rd.
 - Nov. 14 Grand Lodge Leadership Development Course,
Downtown Temple, 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
 - Nov. 19 & 21 Scottish Rite Reunion, Thur. 7:00 p.m.,
Sat. 8:00 a.m.
- 1999**
- Apr. 17 Grand High Priest's Reception, M..E.. Arnold
Palmer, Thruway Marriott, W. Henrietta Rd.

Eating Out



Sun., Oct. 4 - Pan Cake Breakfast, Attica Lodge - \$4, Children - \$2, Family - \$10.

Tues., Oct. 6 - Spaghetti Dinner, "Teddy Bear Dinner" for Charlotte/Corinthian, 7 p.m., 1 Teddy Bear/meal- 323-1014.

Wed., Oct. 14 - Spaghetti Dinner, Clio, East Ave., Hilton, 4-7 p.m.

Fri., Oct. 16 - District Fish Fry, Oakland Lodge, 10 N Main St., Castile, 4:30 p.m. \$6, children under 10 \$3.50.

Wed., Oct. 28 - Spaghetti Dinner, Clio, East Ave., Hilton, 4-7 p.m.

Classifieds

For Sale-Like new Masonic ring-size 9. Call 964-3089.

Wanted: Toy Trains, (O and O27), and accessories, any condition. Will offer fair price based on Greenberg Book value and condition. Call Don Brugger at 473-4351 (O) or 458-6125 (H).

Get 10 words for \$8.00. Additional words at \$1.00 each. Advertise in 3 issues and get the 4th issue free.

Interfaith Service & Breakfast - Logan's October 4th!

October Flower - Calendula
October Gem - Opal

IT'S COMING!! IT'S COMING!! Webster Forest Tall Cedars & Yellow Dog

Saturday, October 24, 1998
at
WEBSTER MASONIC TEMPLE
Dinner @ 5:30 p.m.

FOR RESERVATIONS
Call 716-872-3910
Before October 17th

"BRING A SAPLING"

(Not to be confused with the officially sanctioned Rochester Forest #133 Tall Cedars of Lebanon of North America)

The Valley of Rochester invites all Masonic Brothers, their Ladies and Guests to join us for an evening honoring two Outstanding Leaders of our Fraternity.

M. Norman H. Selke, 33° - Treasurer Emeritus
and
M. Robert P. Zabel, 33° - Secretary Emeritus



Friday Evening, October 23, 1998
Monroe Country Club
155 Golf Ave., Pittsford, NY

Cash Bar & Reception 6:00 p.m.
Dinner 7:00 p.m.

Menu
Veal Diane, Swordfish or Stuffed Chicken Breast
\$15 per person
Reservations required
Deadline October 16, 1998

Lodge Rentals Available

Northfield Lodge, Church Street, Pittsford, NY
Dan Walker 429-6572, Bill Spillane 436-0264, John Dudley 586-6426

The Masonic Times will list your Lodge in this space if you desire to offer your facility for rent. Call: 9 - Noon 473-4351.

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Batavia
Olive Branch
Valley/Simes 2X
Webster
Churchville 9/15
ERAC 9/15
Hesperus 9/15

The Deadline for the November issue is:
Oct. 12, 1998

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

Auditorium CENTER
875 E. Main St. Rochester, NY
(716)271-3250, FAX(716)423-8539

Wed. Oct. 10
WBEE Concert

Sat., Oct. 10
RTOS
8:00 p.m.






Sat., Oct. 17
BBF Oldies Concert

Tues. thru Sun. Oct. 20-25
Riverdance
Mon. Load-in
Tues. - Thur. 7:30 p.m.
Fri. 8:00 p.m.
Sat. 2:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m.
Sun. 2:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.

Tues. - Wed., Oct. 27, 28
Comfy Couch
7:00 p.m.

Calendar October 1998

○ November deadline for the Masonic Times

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>It's HALLOWEEN Time Let's scare up some new members!</p>				Constellation - Perry Flower City - 1* Hesperus - Bergen Northfield - Pittsford Webster Caldron Scottish Rite Awards Night		
4 Attica Pancake Breakfast	5 West Star - Varysburg KT - Cyrene/Monroe OES - Etolian, Irondequoit, Germania, LeRoy Shrine Lunch Club	6 Charlotte/Corinthian Clio - Hilton - OV Craftsman/Robertson Germania - Irondequoit Oakland - Castile Towpath - E. Rochester - 1* Valley/Simes Warsaw OES - Nola, Perry, Webster OES Grand Sessions	7 Attica Olive Branch - LeRoy Damascus Shrine OES Grand Sessions	8 Eagle Valley - Bliss Flower City RAM - Hiram KT - Batavia Lalla Rookh Caldron OES Grand Sessions		9 RAM Bicentennial Class, Utica 9:00 a.m. for Companions and Candidates Masters & Wardens Fame
11 National Children's Day	12 ERAC - E. Rochester-1* Etolian - Spencerport Fairport Mt. Vernon Union Star - Honeoye Falls- OV Wakan/Hubbard - Penfield Golf Tourney - a.m. OES - Mary Jane Holmes Shrine Lunch Club Columbus Day	13 Arcade - 1* Batavia Craftsman/Robertson-FC Fame - Irondequoit Monroe - Brockport Oakland - OV Seneca - Webster Valley/Simes RAM - 3X3, Dansville - OV, Wyoming	14 Service Bureau Luncheon Churchville - BAF Oatka - Scottsville Triluminar - Pike - OV Clio - Spaghetti Supper OES - Batavia, Henrietta, Corinthian/Fellowship	15 Constellation - Perry-OV Hesperus - Bergen - 1* Northfield - Pittsford-OV Webster RAM - Western Star	16 Genesee/Wyoming District Fish Fry Castile National Boss Day	17 RAM - 200 Anniversary Celebration - Downtown Masonic Temple Caldron Installation Sweetest Day
18 Fall Back 	19 West Star - Varysburg-OV KT Cyrene/Monroe OES - Etolian, Irondequoit, Germania, LeRoy Shrine Lunch Club	20 Char/Cor - 2* Craftsman/Robertson Clio - Hilton - 1* Fame - 2* Germania - Irondequoit Towpath - E. Rochester-OV Valley/Simes - FC Warsaw OES - Monroe, Nola, Perry, Webster	21 Attica Olive Branch - LeRoy Grotto RSM - Doric Council	22 Eagle Valley - Bliss RAM - Hiram KT - Batavia	23 Scottish Rite Testimonial Dinner for Selke and Zabel Past Masters Supper Club Canadian Trip - RAM	24 United Nations Day Canadian Trip - RAM
25 Daylight Savings Ends 	26 ERAC - E. Rochester Etolian - Spencerport Fairport - 2* Mt. Vernon Union Star - Honeoye Falls Wakan/Hubbard - Pen-2* RSM - Nun-Da-Wa-Ga OES - Mary Jane Holmes Shrine Lunch Club	27 Arcade - 2* Batavia Fame - Irondequoit Monroe - Brockport Valley/Simes RAM - 3X3, Dansville, Wyoming OES - Leah	28 Churchville - OV Oatka - Scottsville Triluminar - Pike Clio - Spaghetti Supper OES - Batavia, Henrietta, Corinthian/Fellowship	29 School of Ritual Charlotte/Corinthian	30	31  Halloween (All Hallows Eve)