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American Legion Honored with DeWitt Clinton Award by Pittsford Masons



R.W.: David Jones, W.: William Fraser-Master of Northfield and V.W.: Dan Walker -AGL presenting the DeWitt Clinton Award to Bill Cooper, Paul Bacon -Past Commander and Howard Campbell from the Rayson-Miller Post No. 899, American Legion.



R.W.: Dave Jones, W.: William Fraser and V.W.: Dan Walker presenting DeWitt Clinton Award to the Ladies of the Rayson-Miller Auxiliary. Accepting for the Ladies Auxiliary was Barbara Haug.

By Dan Walker

The Rayson-Miller American Legion Post no. 899 and its Auxiliary have been awarded the DeWitt Clinton Masonic Award for Community Service by Pittsford's Northfield Lodge. The honor and awards were presented by W.: William V. Fraser, Master of the Lodge, and R.W.: David W. Jones, District Deputy Grand Master of the 2nd Monroe District. The event took place on Thursday, April 29th, at the Masonic Temple in Pittsford. Accepting the Awards were Paul Bacon, Post Commander, and Barbara Haug, President of the Auxiliary.

Persons familiar with New York State history will recognize the name. DeWitt Clinton was active in both state and national

governments almost 200 years ago, and instrumental in establishing the state's great public education system. Even more notable, perhaps, was his involvement in the construction of the Erie Canal, better known then as "Clinton's Ditch". His well known dedication to service in the public interest, both as a citizen and as Grand Master of Masons in New York State for 14 years, made his name synonymous with "public service". Each presentation of this Award demonstrates Freemasonry's historic concern for voluntary service and individual involvement through contributions of time, skills, and financial support to endeavors in the public interest.

The Legion Post and its Auxiliary have many reasons to be proud of their contributions to Pittsford and its youth, and to the world wide community of American veterans and their families. They have provided long-term support and vital services to the veteran residents of the VA Hospital in Canandaigua, to their families in special situations, and have provided personalized funeral services when needed. Equally long has been their sponsorship of Boy Scout Troop No. 129 in Pittsford, and to the Rayson-Miller baseball team, whose diamond exploits have become legendary in the Monroe County Youth League. Members of the Post have been regularly in Memorial Day Parades in Pittsford, and subsequently offi-

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Grand Master's Message

Address of the Most Worshipful Stewart C. McCloud, Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York, at the 218th Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, in the Grand Lodge Room, Masonic Hall, New York City, Monday morning, May 3, 1999.

Good Morning my Brethren:
I am extremely pleased to welcome each and every one of you, my Brethren, to the 218th An-

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Where is the Traveling Gavel?

Does Northfield Lodge still have possession? It was fun when each Lodge had a competitive attitude and sought to challenge for possession of the Masonic Symbol. It appears that no one really gave a care this past year. Let's get back to visiting and become familiar with our other Brothers in the area. □

Attention!!

The deadline for submitting material for inclusion in the September issue of the *Masonic Times* will be: **August 9, 1999.**

Don Alhart to Receive the 1999 Distinguished Community Service Award

By Jay McCullough

The 40th Distinguished Community Service Award will be presented to Don Alhart at the 58th Interfaith Service and Breakfast to be held on October 17th at Logan's Party House.

Don is a Rochester native. He attended Laurelton Elementary School, Indian Landing Elementary School and Penfield Junior and Senior High Schools, graduating in 1962.

Don obtained his BS Degree from Ithaca College in 1966, and immediately returned to WOKR-TV where he had worked the previous Summer. Prior to that, Don worked as a vacation relief engineer at WROC-TV in Rochester. He also worked for two years as a radio disc jockey/newsman at Radio Station WTKO, Ithaca.

Don currently anchors the 6:00 p.m. news on WOKR-TV, and co-anchors the 11:00 p.m. news.

Community

Don has been active in the Rochester community. He has been a volunteer with the Association for Retarded Citizens for more than 20 years, and received their "Community Partner Award" in 1982. He and his wife, Mary, co-hosted the annual Weekend with the Stars Telethon for Cerebral Palsy from 1980 to 1990. Don received the "Community Service Award" from the New York State United Cerebral Palsy Association in 1986. He received a similar award in 1982 from the Rochester United Cerebral Palsy Association.



During his career at TV-13, Don has done the weather, feature reporting, and held several management positions. He is currently Associate News Director.

Don has also produced a segment called "Friday's Child", which airs, periodically, on the Friday evening news. The feature involves a child awaiting adoption and is coordinated by the local CAP organization-"Children Awaiting Parents". Many youngsters have been placed in permanent, loving homes as a result of the television segment. Don was recognized for this effort when he received the "Friends of the Children Award" from the Hillside Children's Center in 1981.

Don has also been recognized with the VFW Award of Merit, and the Community Service Award as Communicator of the

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58th Interfaith Service and Breakfast

Sponsored by the Masonic Service Bureau

Sunday, October 17, 1999

Layman's Service at 9:00 a.m.

R.W.: Richard Friedman, officiating
Breakfast at 10:00 a.m.

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Editor's Corner

By Don Brugger
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About Masonic Titles in print

At the *Masonic Times* we try to keep everyone straight on titles and prefixes. We always try to give proper credit for a Brother's or Sister's achievements and honors in Masonic Organizations. When you submit material for publication, be sure you don't mix titles. For example if a Brother is a 33° Mason he should be referred to as Ill.: John Doe, 33°, however, if he is a Patron of an Eastern Star Chapter, the titles should not be mixed in print (i.e., Ill.: John Doe, Why. Patron of Chapter XX, O.E.S.), nor should he be referred to in print as Why. Ill.: John Doe, 33°.

We do not, as a matter of policy, use Masonic Titles for a Brother or Sister when cited for volunteer work or accomplishments when not representing his/her particular Masonic Organization (i.e. volunteers at the Canandaigua Veterans Hospital). They are doing so as representatives of Masonry in general, and their titles are not listed.

One title that always seems to give people trouble is that of Grand Representatives of Foreign Grand Lodges. The Grand Representative is always the Grand Rep. of the Grand Lodge of that country not the Grand Rep. to the Grand Lodge of that country. The nomination is made to the Foreign Grand Lodge and the Foreign Grand Lodge grants the appointment, therefore making him of that Grand Lodge.

When writing reports for publication make sure that you have the correct title when you refer to a particular person and **never** use a person's Masonic Title in a mailing address on an envelope to be mailed through the U.S. Postal Service.

Pictures

I would like to call your attention to the picture appearing in the Northfield Lodge article, front page. This is strictly for demonstrative purposes and not to embarrass anyone. It is not important who the photographer was, but how the shot was set up, because it is a good example of how not to take a photo for publication; a news photo.

What's wrong

1. The subjects are spread out.
2. No one is looking at the camera.

era. 3. Two of the subjects are partially obscured. The photo is, however, a good "candid" shot. Unfortunately, candid shots do not suit our purpose here. What we want to do is to show who the subjects are. The best way to do this is to keep the shot tight, that is, put the subjects close together so that the reproduction of the individual can be as large as possible. We prefer a frontal pose for the very same reason. In this way the magnification could be enhanced.

The way to get your subjects the way you want them is to wait until after the ceremonies of presentation, then pose the shot with all recipients and the presenters. This way you avoid duplicating the presenters over and over again.

Deadlines

I have had to move deadlines around because my participation in certain personally desirable events conflicts with my work on the *Masonic Times*. I beg your indulgence in this matter and hope the authors are not overly inconvenienced. This situation will exist until an associate can be located. Of course, the moving of the deadline because of holidays will always be an option. □

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Day of Caring

On Tuesday, April 27th, 38 men and women from Eastman Kodak descended upon Camp DeMolay for United Way's Day of Caring Program. They worked all day cleaning up limbs and brush. Approximately 260 hours of work and fellowship were expended that day.

Coffee and rolls were served in the morning and at noon all enjoyed hot and hamburgs.

Thanks to Bill Hook, Ron Weber and Dick Vaughn for coordinating and assisting during the day. Yes, yours truly was there cutting up large limbs and becoming completely exhausted! Even though Bill and I were sore for a couple of days, it was well worth it!

Tax deduction

Have you made a tax deductible contribution to the Masonic Service Bureau this year? If not, why not do so today? This is the time of year when we will be making gifts for Scholarships and Awards to other organizations providing food and shelter, assistance for youth, the elderly and to Hospice programs, totaling about \$24,000. Many dollars are also needed for Camp DeMolay. Remember the Masonic Service Bureau in your Will, too. □

Give to your Masonic Service Bureau. Sooner is better than later! □

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Your Legal Rights FYI

By Bro. Phillip Hurwitz, Esq.

OOPS!

It's the little things in life that will sneak up and bite you. Divorcees may find this court (McCarthy v. Aetna, 92 NY 2d 436 1998) case instructive.

A couple married in 1972. A year later, the husband was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis. In 1974 he went blind. The couple separated in 1977. The husband went to live with his father and remained there until his death in 1984. The couple divorced in 1978.

Before their separation, the husband purchased a life insurance policy, naming his wife as beneficiary.

For the last seven years of his life, father cared for his son. In recognition of this fact, son made a will, giving his father the proceeds from this life insurance policy.

The son died from his affliction. Guess who gets the insurance policy payout? It's obvious that son wanted to give his father the payout from his policy. He wrote a will that specifically contained this instruction.

Ex-wife got the proceeds. Why? Because son forgot to change the beneficiary on his policy. The Court ruled that an insurance policy is a contract. Like any other contract, its terms control. According to this policy (and probably yours), the only way to change a beneficiary is to submit a change of beneficiary notice while the policy holder is still alive. A will does not qualify, and will not change a beneficiary on a policy.

So, even though father took son back into his home, and cared for

him for the last 7 years of his son's life, ex-wife gets the insurance. Ouch! □

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].

How about a little quiz to test how well you manage your financial assets? Well, like it or not, here goes. All answers are either yes or no.

1. Do you pay yourself first? (This means to make regular investments to a brokerage account or mutual fund portfolio before splurging on treats).

2. Are you reluctant to turn over your entire nest egg to an investment advisor?

3. Are you putting off saving for retirement until you have accumulated enough money for a down payment for a home?

4. Do you believe in investing all of your retirement money in all cash or bonds?

5. Are you contributing the maximum amount into a tax advantaged retirement account? (i.e. a 401K or a 403B).

6. Do you contribute to an IRA even though your spouse contributes a maximum to a defined contribution plan at work?

7. Are all of your savings in one type of asset?

8. Do you make small, regular contributions to your mutual fund rather than making large contributions when you have a sizeable amount of extra cash?

9. Do you plan to cash in your 401K assets when you change jobs?

10. Do you know how to maximize returns in your IRA?

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The above was taken from a quiz from Pioneer Funds Distributors.

If you don't know the answers to these questions, you should call an accredited financial planner. □

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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.

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DeWitt Clinton

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ciated at commemorative ceremonies in the Pittsford Pioneer Cemetery. Special projects have included restoration of historic artifacts, such as the cannon now located at the Cemetery, and the old GAR Banner on display in the Legion Hall in Pittsford.

The Auxiliary, in addition to sharing the activities above, has its own defined responsibilities. They include the complex arrangements for annual off ground picnics for those VA Hospital residents who are physically able to leave the grounds. Through Veterans' Outreach, the Auxiliary handles the annual sales of familiar "Buddy Poppies", and it arranges "Super Bingo" games to help in financing a gift shop providing discounted items, all for the benefit of veterans and their loved ones.

Together, the Post and Auxiliary, have recently expanded the scope of their youth support by including Boys State and Girls State programs.

Among past recipients of the DeWitt Clinton Award from Northfield Lodge are such familiar names as Paul Spiegel, Pittsford Town Supervisor; Richard Symes, Brighton Fire Chief; JoAnne VanZandt, County Legislator; Andrew Wolfe, Publisher; the School of the Holy Childhood, and several individuals long active in Masonic activities, including Linda Zahn, Doris Robertson, Sylvia Bollotin, Cora Paglia, June Moon and Nancy Hogerman. □

Don Alhart

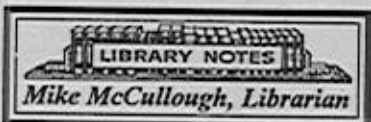
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Year. Other honors include the Humanitarian Award from the Rochester Police Rosewood Club, the Ithaca College Alumni Award, and the Mass Media Communicator Award from SUNY-Brockport.

Don has been a member of the Rochester Rotary Club since 1976 and has had perfect attendance since joining. He served as the Club President in 1987-88 and remains active in both the Club and District Rotary projects. In March of 1996, he was honored as the recipient of the Rochester Rotary Award, presented annually to one who has made outstanding contributions to the Rochester community. He is a member of the Advisory Board of the Association of Retarded Citizens, and a member of the Board of Directors of the Easter Seals Association. He is also an Elder with the Penfield Presbyterian Church.

Personal

Don and his wife, Mary, reside in Penfield. Their son, Todd, is a graduate of SUNY-Geneseo, and received his Masters Degree from SUNY-Albany in May. He is currently working as Press Secretary for State Senator Michael Nozzolio. Their daughter, Jennifer, is teaching music in the Byron-Bergen School District. Their son, Jonathan, is attending Ithaca College, majoring in Communication. □



A computer upgrade

Our thanks to W.. George Bracht for taking the time to assemble a computer, monitor, printer and accessories to make it operational! It is now in the Li-

brary and has sufficient capacity to permit printing file cards for items on our shelves and walls. When it is replaced, it will be returned to George to be used in Asbury First United Methodist Church's Computer Learning Center. Columns in recent issues of this paper have advertised the need for computers there to teach computer literacy to the poor and unemployed.

Replacement is expected soon! We are told by Paul Vogel, Service Manager at Dox Electronics, that they are assembling a Pentium II 350 with 15 inch monitor, 6.4 gig hard drive, cd rom, networking and accessories to be donated to us! Dox is owned by Ken Michael, nephew of Brother Dave Berger of Flower City Lodge No. 910. They specialize in computer networking and service. It's conveniently located (for us) on College Avenue, just East of the Rochester Temple. Ken is the one who provided all the storage racks now in place as bookshelves in the Library and "Uncle Dave" provided the paint, brushes and tools needed to improve appearances. It sure helps to have such benefactors!


Final tasking

Ramona Dimino is doing a final sort of the remaining books, periodicals and manuals on hand, placing them in their proper "stations and places". There are some five dozen books to be catalogued, labeled and filed before all that we have in house are accounted for. Other offerings are being made from private collections and we'll want to be well prepared to give them a proper and respectable home.

Any carpenter's available?

We intend to take a suggestion of Don Brugger's to put facing panelling of some appropriate substance along the outer surface of our 8 foot tall racks. Should someone have the time and talent, we'd welcome contact. □

**Grand Lodge
Veterans Service
Committee**



**R..W.. THOMAS M. PAGLIA
REPRESENTATIVE
& UPSTATE COORDINATOR**

Recognition Certificates

From the "Mariner Magazine", published by the Naval Enlisted Reserve Association, comes this notice: In accordance with section 1084 of the Fiscal Year 1998 National Defense Authorization Act, the Secretary of Defense approved awarding Cold War Recognition Certificates to all members of the Armed Forces and Qualified Federal Government civilian personnel who faithfully served the United States during the Cold War era from September 2, 1945 to Dec. 26, 1991.

Beginning April 5, 1999, you may apply for a Cold War Recognition Certificate if you qualify. Online application is preferred, however, the application form may be printed and mailed, or faxed, with the required supporting documents. Online application and instructions will be

available at: <http://www.sdcw.army.mil/coldwar>. The application form also will be available through other sources to be announced. You can preview the Certificate on the web site.

Flag Amendment

On February 24th, Rep. Randy "Duke" Cunningham (R-CA), reintroduced the proposed Constitutional Amendment that would allow Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the US flag. H.J. Res. 33 already has 261 co-sponsors. In the 105th Congress, the House of Representatives approved a similar resolution by a vote of 310 to 114, but it never came to a vote in the Senate after it became apparent that supporters would not be able to muster the two-thirds vote necessary for Senate approval. With 11 new Senators, it may stand a better chance in the 106th Congress. Naval enlisted Reserve Association supports congressional approval of the amendment so that it can be sent to the States where the people can decide the issue (approval will require ratification by 38 States). (From NERA Magazine).

I, as your Veterans Service Representative, whole heartily support this amendment. Write to your Senator and Congressman to make this happen. □

Awards Banquet

On Thursday, April 29th, the Annual VAMC Awards Banquet was held at the Burgundy Basin Inn. The five volunteers representing the Masonic Service Bureau were Tom Paglia, Harold Bollotin, Sylvia Bollotin, and June and Tina Moon.

Tom Paglia was awarded a Dedicated Service Award for devoting 2,377 hours in 14 years to the Canandaigua VAMC. Congratulations, Tom.

Ward visits

The next visit is scheduled for Sunday, October 10th in Building 8, Ward 9A, at 1:30 p.m. □

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John J. Zona, President
Paul Sobotzick, Sec.
PO Box 92237
Rochester, NY 14692

Greetings from your newly elected President of the Metropolitan Police and Fire Masonic Square Club.

On April 23rd of this year, the officers met at Mario's in Brighton for Election of Officers

and to review the Treasurer's Report. Also on this date, the Club presented Past Executive Secretary, Dean Marsaw, a Plaque for his many years of outstanding service to the Square Club. I'm sure that he will still be available for any guidance the Club might need.

Dues

At the present time, approximately 75% of the members still OWE for 1998. Just 3% have paid for 1999. Please check your card for your current status. Notices will be going out within the next few weeks.

Sickness and distress

Charles Peterson has had bypass surgery. He is at home now and doing well. Roger McCaughey is still under the weather. Perhaps a card would cheer these Brothers up a bit.

As your newly elected President, with your help and support, I plan on having another prosperous year.

Have an enjoyable Summer! □



FINGER LAKES CHAPTER

William Edwards, President
872-3993
George Springgett, Secretary
247-3557

Annual Meeting

The date for the Annual Chapter Meeting is Tuesday, June 29th. The meeting will be held at ERAC in East Rochester, 152 West Commercial Street. There will be a Bar-B-Que Dinner (hots, hamburgs, salad, beans, chips and beverages) starting at 6:30 p.m. The Chapter will cover the cost of the dinner. The Program for the evening will begin after dinner. We will be discussing the future of the Finger Lakes Chapter. Additional program information will be published in a Chapter mailing in early June. Please call your dinner reservations into the Secretary, George Springgett, at 247-3557 by Monday, June 21st. Election of next year's officers will occur at the Annual Meeting. If you are interested in serving the Chapter as President or Vice-President, please contact our Nominating Committee Chairman, Bill Lindsay, at 621-3573. Terry Wihlen and George Springgett have agreed to serve another term as Chapter Treasurer and Secretary.


1999 Dues

Secretary George mailed our the Chapter Dues Notices in early June. Please send in your dues if you have not done so. Also, please let George know if you did not receive a notice. He is in the process of updating the Membership List.

Thank you

Due to a short cabletow (work and family) I will not be seeking re-election as the Chapter President. I have enjoyed serving the Chapter as its President this past year and as the Secretary since 1994. Thank you to all who have helped me over the past 5 years and special thanks to this year's officers, Ruel Lovett, Vice-President; Terry Wihlen, Treasurer; and George Springgett, Secretary, for their support. □

**Strawberry
Festival**

 **June 24th
4:45-7:30 p.m.**

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- Potato Salad, Beans
- Homemade Shortcake
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**District Deputy
Grand Master
Monroe District**



R.W.: Donald Darrohn
225-1782

Monroe District

Grand Lodge, during its May 3, 1999, Session, approved the merger of the two Monroe Districts into one Monroe District. This will be a challenge for all of us! Grand Sword Bearer, R.W.: Ruel Lovett and I look forward to the opportunities that we have before us. We will most definitely be counting on your assistance and support.

Much of the necessary work to facilitate this union has been in place for years. There has been only one Purple Club, Masters and Wardens Association, Grand Lecturer's Convention, one jointly held School of Ritual, etc. There will be nineteen Official Visits to make within the District. Candidly, with 13 already scheduled, we expect to be able to accommodate the balance of the requests with relative ease.

We express our appreciation for the work and offers of continuing support from the retiring Grand Lodge Officers, R.W.: David Jones and R.W.: Bill Spillane. You can count on being called!

Grand Lodge

The Grand Secretary made some remarks that struck a clear chord with me. I offer the following quotes from his report to Grand Lodge. "It is my fervent belief that Masonry, as we know it, stands on a precipice of the next millennium looking for its niche within the society we live. Consequently, our numbers continue to decline. We are not offering anything substantial or different that will attract men to join and become part of our Craft. Have (we) become just another social club?"

"I suggest we go back in time and get back to the basics that made us strong..." "Selective invitation...should be part and parcel of our membership program..." "We need candidates who are willing to live a Masonic life, promoting the time honored and exclusive teachings of our beloved Fraternity".

Our membership began the year at 77,322 and concluded the year at 73,079, resulting in a net loss of 4,243 members, primarily through attrition.

An interesting proposal that was brought before Grand Lodge was opening Lodge meetings on the 1st Degree to Masonry. This was referred to committee for further study. Two proposals for District mergers were read and approved; the first was two Queens Districts and the second, our 2 Districts.

Personal observation

This year there were several patriotic songs we sang together during the Grand Lodge Sessions. It was a thrill to hear that edifice filled with those songs. I would suggest that, just as M.W.: Calvin Bond always closed his Grand Lecturer's Convention with "God Bless America", we might consider that or a similar tune in closing our Lodges.

Education

Grand Lodge Proctor, R.W.: Harvey Eysman, commented that during the past several weeks his office had received several calls from Brethren of Lodges. They were complaining about a decision that their Master had made in their Lodge. They were apparently not aware that in all instances the Worshipful Master's decision on points of order is final in the Lodge, for it is a settled principle of Masonic Law that no appeal can be taken to the Lodge from the decision of the Master. Grand Lodge, or the Grand Master, alone, can overrule his decision on any point of order.

I believe that it is appropriate to list some of the prerogatives of the Worshipful Master—especially with all Lodges going through the process of electing and installing officers for the ensuing year. The following are listed with further explanation in the Monitor.

1. To preside at all communications of his Lodge.
2. To fill temporarily, all vacancies that may occur in the Lodge offices.
3. To control and terminate discussions.
4. To determine all questions of order and what business shall be brought before the Lodge.
5. To select the appointive officers of the Lodge.
6. To appoint all committees
7. To order the issuance of notifications to members.
8. To cast the deciding vote in case of a tie, provided he has not already voted. This is limited, however, to votes taken "viva voce", or by upraised hands.
9. To represent the Lodge in Grand Lodge.
10. To install his successor.

These prerogatives of the Worshipful Master demonstrate the inherent right and authority he possesses, thus giving him extraordinary powers and privileges. It is also a responsibility. One that is so special, that every Master-elect takes an obligation before the very Brethren who enfranchised him to signify his assent to our Ancient Charges and Regulations.

Brotherhood Fund

Brethren, I ask for your support of the Brotherhood Fund. R.W.: Robert Stack, Chairman of that Grand Lodge effort announced that as of May 3, 1999, \$911,000 had been raised. Additional contributions made during Grand Lodge Session should have increased the total amount by approximately \$20,000. This was accomplished with only 18,000 of our Brethren contributing. We can do better! Please help!

Summer

I wish each and every Brother and their families an enjoyable Summer. Please be careful; give the kids and grandkids an extra hug; tell them you love them. We'll see you back in the quarries this Fall.

**Grand Lodge
Staff Officer**

Monroe District



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

Grand Lodge news

A host of Brothers from the Monroe Districts came together in harmony at Grand Lodge. It was good to see so many of our own at the most important event of our Masonic year. Even so, there were many empty seats in our designated area. This is too important an event to omit from your schedule. Every Lodge Master should make his highest priority to go. I hope you are planning your trip to New York starting today.

Our Grand Master was taken ill just two weeks prior to Grand Sessions. I didn't see how it was possible he could be at our Grand Assembly, but he certainly was there. He made all business move right along.

One District

The two Monroe Districts merged into one, as did two Districts in Manhattan, at this Session. No other business affected us directly.

Both District Deputies were present, as well as both Staff Officers.

Officers

All of our Lodges are in the process of electing and installing officers. This is not a task to take lightly. The elected and appointed officers should be your best shot and your best material. Remember, as our Lodges downsize, we can't afford to let our District and our Lodges go ahead without careful and well thought out plans. Each individual must have his two cents deposited. Go to your Lodge meetings. Help your officers. This could be one of the most important years in the history of our District. "Happenstance" is not acceptable. Good planning should be the norm.

Each Lodge member should encourage the officers to attend the Schools that will be available this year. A Master can "get by" without the Schools, but it would

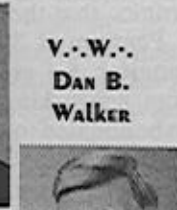
be much better if he attended. This is our best way to help you. We are 100% behind you. We hope you are behind us.

Have a safe, happy Summer. □

**ASSISTANT
GRAND
LECTURERS
MONROE DISTRICT**



V.W.:
John
Zabel



V.W.:
DAN B.
WALKER

By V.W.: Daniel B. Walker
Greetings Brothers and all

This month I have dedicated the article to the Ritual Books.

For those of you who don't know, the only approved Ritual Book to use in this jurisdiction is the one published in 1996. It is the one single book with the 3 Degrees, Opening, Closing, etc. To verify you have the right one, on page ii you will find the year printed (1996) and the name, "Gary A. Henningsen".

There were a few changes made from when it was a six book set, but many, many alterations from the books printed in 1983 and before. The latest monitor is called "Book Six, The Monitor". It was last published in 1993 as a part of the 6 book set. If you are not using these to learn from, you should be.

These new books are available through your Lodge Secretary from Grand Lodge Sales. They aren't expensive and are well worth the price.

On a final note, you should never have a Ritual Book open in a Lodge room while Lodge is open and at labor. It is okay to use a Monitor, but remember to keep the Ritual Books closed.

If you would like any help at a Degree rehearsal, or have any questions, feel free to contact V.W.: John Zabel at 223-3228 or me at 429-6572. We are always willing to assist you in your ritualistic needs.

See you in Lodge.

Musings

By V.W.: John Zabel

The Masters-elect of the Lodges in the Monroe District have been formally invested with the secrets of the chair and are now ready for installation. As you read this, some of the new Masters will have been installed. Dan and I wish all the new Masters, their line of officers and the Brethren of all the Lodges a truly successful year. We, your AGL's, stand ready to assist in any and all Ritual matters. Please, however, do not call us at the last minute, give us some advance warning of your wants and needs. This will help us best prepare what is needed.

To clarify a little—an AGL is commissioned to assist the Lodges in his District in Ritual matters and to insure the proper communication of the lectures of the Craft. The lectures refer to any portion of the Ritual, whether it be a Degree or opening and closing.

During the Summer months, all of us will be involved in many

things, some of which may be Masonic. If you are a Lodge officer, spend a small portion of each week this Summer looking over and studying the Standard Works. Working on the lectures can be relaxing and you will be better prepared for the reopening of your Lodge in the Fall. Our Ritual is unique and is the basic building block with which to build your character and make you a better Mason. Dan and I are ready to help. All you have to do is contact us.

We wish everyone a great Summer. I extend to Dan and Linda Walker my best wishes as they enter the exciting world of parenthood. □

**Bureau of
Masonic
Education
Monroe County**

President:
V.W.: John Zabel

What's happening

This will be short this month. The Bureau met on the 12th of May and elected officers for the coming year. Since this is being written before the meeting, the slate is not known. We also set the program for the coming year. This will include the "Leadership Development Course" and the "Road to the East". Since the Monroe Districts are now only one District, more of the training responsibility falls on our remaining Grand Lodge Officers. The Bureau will be assisting as much as possible in these endeavors. This will include recruiting instructors or potential instructors, helping with expenses and in every way assisting in the education of the Brethren of the Monroe District.

There is one task that we, as Master Masons, need to work on. That is finding ways to inform the public of some of our good works and about the Fraternity in general. There is no simple answer. I was talking to a Past Grand Master of Ohio and the current head of the York Rite Cryptic Masons in Ohio about just this subject. They did not have an answer and they asked me what we were doing. I am sure that W.: Jim DiLorenzo, the District Chairman for Public Involvement and Awareness, would be happy to entertain any suggestions.

In closing, George is taking an early vacation, but will return in the future. Have a great Summer, and read something Masonic for fun. □

**Membership
Retention**

R.W.: Joseph Privitera
Monroe District

I am sorry I have missed a few months writing under his title. I have preached about communication, but have failed to communicate. I could come up with some valid excuses, but that is what they would be, just excuses. I intend to at least make up by noting a few of my Masonic observations over the last few months.

Before I start though, I will add to what R.W.: Bruce Chilton wrote about in last month's *Masonic Times*. As most of you know, my mom passed away recently. The thoughtfulness of my Masonic family was overwhelming. It started early in the morning of the first day the

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notice was in the newspaper when R.W. Paul Gleason called and has continued to this day. I thank all of you for your kind words, phone calls and cards.

Masonic observances

Widows Luncheon: The District Chairman, R.W. Terry Whlen, and R.W. Bill Baldwin did a fantastic job organizing this affair. Nevertheless, over the last few years attendance has decreased. I know, the Grand Matron was in town and the Daughters of the Nile had a meeting, the weather was beautiful, but all that does not account for the decreasing attendance over the last few years. The usual Lodges had their large turnouts. However, some Lodges only had two or three ladies, one Lodge had none. I know these ladies are out there. If your Lodge needs assistance on how to get these forgotten Masonic Widows on the list of widows and get them to go to these functions, call and we can help. Next year's Widows Luncheon will be in March. Maybe the weather will cooperate and not be so good.

Consolidation of Lodges


There are rumors of various consolidations in the Monroe District. For those of you who are in a Lodge thinking of such a move, consider this. Instead of merging two weak Lodges to form another weak Lodge and repeat the same procedure a few years later with another Lodge, why not get four or five Lodges together. Again, if you have any questions or need assistance in this area, call your District Deputy, R.W. Don Darrohn.

New leaders

This is the time of year when new Masters are installed. In the past, I have heard from some of the Brothers in the Craft, that for some reason or other, they do not have a liking for a new Master or one of the Line Officers. They say they will not attend a Lodge meeting or activity until this Master's term has ended. Well, it is a free country and it is your decision, but the only person you are hurting is yourself, and possibly your Lodge. The new Master needs your support. It can be a long and frustrating year for everyone if the cooperation is not there. Get out to a Lodge meeting or activity. For those of you who will not attend because there is someone you do not like in a leadership position, we will include you in our prayers.

I have other observances, but that is enough for now. I hope to see you in Lodge. Have a good and safe Summer.

Monroe District Masters & Wardens Assoc.



President
W.: Phillip R. Hurwitz 581-1831
Secretary
Louis Perna 334-8265

New regime

The following officers were elected for 1999-2000:
President - W.: Phil Hurwitz
Vice President - W.: Lou Campaniello
Secretary - Lewis Perna
Treasurer - W.: Gerald Spero
The By-Laws of Masters & Wardens has been changed regarding quorum requirements. A quorum is a minimum number of

members that must be present in order to hold a vote. In order for this organization to vote as a body, a minimum number of Lodges must be represented by voting members. The quorum requirements have been lowered from 51% to 33% of member Lodges that must be present. This is recognition of the fact of mergers going on within our District.

New members

M & W is now open to Junior and Senior Deacons. If you are serious about continuing in line, the M & W is the place to be. You will learn from others who have been there before. Running a Lodge does not have to be a daunting task.

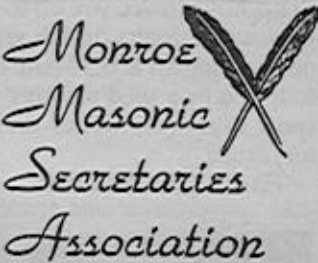
Our meetings take place every 2nd Saturday of the month (except July & August) at 10:00 a.m. Our schedule for the coming year is:

- June 12th - Charlotte/Corinthian
- September 11th - Webster
- October 9th - Etolian
- November 13th - Towpath
- December 11th - Flower City
- January 8th - ERAC
- February 12th - Fairport
- March 11th - Churchville
- April 8th - Clio (in conjunction with their Ox Roast)
- May 13th - Fame/Germania

Activities

Our Trestleboard includes the following activities: Channel 21 (WXXI) Auction, Have-a-Heart Campaign, Rusty Trowel, and Grand Lodge 2000.

The theme for M & W is to "Keep the Ball Rolling." I'll have more to write about our Trestleboard in future articles. The executive line of M & W looks forward to meeting all Lodge Officers.



Monroe Masonic Secretaries Association

President
F. Jay McCullough
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Secretary/Treasurer
Philip Averbach
458-1817

Calling all Secretaries!

Those who occupy Masonic secretarial positions in Monroe and surrounding counties' Lodges, Concordant and Allied Bodies, are welcomed at all meetings of this group.

Please contact Phil Averbach at 458-1817 to make a reservation for the August 31st meeting, which starts with dinner at the Downtown Temple dining room.

Program

How does Grand Lodge administration work?

Speaking: all who attend and wish to share their experiences of recent date.

Interfaith Service and Breakfast

The President of this group is Chairman of the IS&B. I would hope that all secretaries are promoting attendance at Logan's this year on October 17th when Secretary Rich Friedman will officiate at the Service, and when Gabe Dalmath of Channel 10 will present the Distinguished Community Service Award in behalf of the Service Bureau to Don Alhart of Channel 13.

Get your members enthused. Their families and friends are welcome as well. Ticket sale cut-

off is October 8th, or when we reach attendance maximum, whichever comes first.

Expect a flyer or notice with more details by the next Secretaries' meeting.

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Secretary
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Thanks

First, I remind everyone that this is my last article, and I thank all of you for reading these this past year. I hope that I have been informative and met your expectations, not only in the articles of this paper, but also as Master.

Sad news

Brethren, it is my sad duty to inform you that the Great Architect of the Universe has called Home His sons, Brothers Alvin Zarnstorff and Robert Johnson. Both Brothers had just completed 50 years in Masonry.

Parting message

This past year as Master of Etolian Lodge has gone by extremely fast. It seems like only yesterday that I was invested with the Secrets of the Chair by 15 Past Masters in Etolian Lodge. I have tried this past year to help make Masonry more enjoyable and spontaneous for all those who have attended our communications. I know that this did not always mean that everybody was satisfied with a particular evening or event, but I hope that throughout the year each Brother found something he enjoyed. To recap the year, it looked something like this: it started with Installation of Officers in a closed session. This was followed by a sport shirt night, planting of flowers on Route 531 at Gillette Road, and a Picnic at Pineway Ponds, followed by a Bring-a-Friend Night. In July, who could forget the Canal Days Pancake Breakfast where truly a good time was had not only by the patrons who enjoyed their breakfast, but also by all of those who participated in the kitchen, serving, and combing the streets to spread the word.

The Lodge started the Fall season in a new customary fashion with the famous W.: John Mattern, DSA, "Steak Rub" Steak Roast and Table Lodge. A bit of a twist found the Lodge picking favorite selections from the Bible to read as toasts. Brother John Dyer conferred the 1st Degree on one candidate.

The meeting following the 1st Degree saw another twist, Masonic Jeopardy. This fast paced game of wit had the Past Masters going against the rest of the Lodge Brothers. The Past Masters were easily handled with Brother Jim Toogood leading the attack. The losers graciously served the winners refreshments after the meeting.

Brother Michael Schwartz conducted the 2nd Degree with one candidate. I conducted the 3rd Degree with the help of Len Pearlmuter and his great casting

abilities. It was at this meeting that Brother David Hagmier was raised.

W.: Brian Keery coordinated the Christmas Party with Brother Everett Hoak filling the role of Santa. This also was a time for Brother Howard Gleffe and his troops to brighten the day for a number of people at a nursing home in North Chili.

The new year saw another Bring-a-Friend Night, held on a Lodge night this time, in the form of a group round table talk. The Brothers present answered questions and enlightened the guests who came for the evening. This format brought out the true feelings and emotions of our Etolian Brothers, and for those who were not there, I can assure you, it would have brought a tear of joy to your heart. The second part of the Degree season again saw Brother John Dyer conducting the 1st Degree with not only our candidate, but also a last minute candidate from Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge. Brother Michael Schwartz conducted the 2nd Degree, this time with our candidate and a last minute candidate from Churchville Lodge.

In between the Degree meetings we were able to talk on many subjects which included: the Temple Association, bequests, recruitment, fundraising and the like.

With the help of Len Pearlmuter, I conducted the 3rd Degree for a second time. It was at this meeting that Brother Jeffrey VanSice was raised.

After the Degree was concluded, I had the pleasure of conducting seven Purple Aproned Brothers to a place in the North East Corner of the Lodge for the purpose of work and instruction. This was a totally unplanned event, but I believe went off extremely well as they instructed our new Brother Jeffrey on proper Masonic Etiquette. This was followed by an Awards Night with 20+ Service Awards presented.

During this year we saw many changes, one being the decline in the number of our Brothers. To all of these departed Brothers, we know that each wore a clean and spotless Apron on their way through the Pearly Gates into that eternal realm.

In ending this, my last written communication as Master, I thank all who have helped me this year, especially R.W.: Jay McCullough, for all his help and assistance as Secretary. Etolian Lodge has much to thank Jay for, some of you know of the work he does, but most of us will never see those contributions Jay is really making to Masonry. It was also Jay, as well as W.: James Barker, who persuaded me to continue on from Junior Deacon through the Chairs. They told me if I planned correctly this year would go smoothly. They were right!

One last thought, I know that many people have different opinions of the type of Master that I have been this past year. My objective was to make Masonry enjoyable for all. If I could ask the Brothers one question, it would

be, did you see Masonry in a different light in the past year? If the answer to this is "yes", from but only one Brother, then I have conveyed the Light in Masonry that I was after.

The opening of oneself to new and different approaches while maintaining and fortifying the foundation upon which we all build a righteous life, is key in the ever changing, but anchored, lives we live.

Again, I would like to thank the entire Lodge for the honor of being allowed to be your Master for the past year and wish great success to our new Master, W.: Michael Schwartz, who will lead Etolian Lodge into the next millennium.

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Grand Lodge Report

A group of Masters or alternates, some with their wives, left for the Grand Lodge Communication by Amtrak train on May 1st. The train ride to New York City was comfortable. Accommodations were within walking distance of Grand Lodge. However, \$200 per day, including taxes, seemed quite exorbitant.

The order of business included the following:

Voted on and affirmed was the consolidation of the 1st and 2nd Monroe Districts into one.

A question arose as to whether the Tiler and Organist were considered Officers. The answer was negative.

Also brought forth was a measure to restrict the joining of a Concordant Body until at least five years of Lodge service. This was also defeated.

M. W. Stewart C. McCloud, Grand Master, gave a short, but stirring speech. He did not appear to be in the best of condition. We later learned that a week and a half prior he had suffered a slight stroke. It appeared that in respect for his problem, all speeches and ceremonies were kept to a minimum. In fact, the Election of Grand Lodge Officers was done in a blanket vote reflecting the present line.

Brotherhood Fund

The Brotherhood Fund is in excess of \$900,000 and it is hoped that the million mark will be achieved by the closing date of June 7th. If you are among those that have not given, please support this worthy Fund. Let's make the million mark!

Potts Award

We have won the Potts Award for the 11th time. Upon receiving the Award at Grand Lodge, outgoing Grand Lecturer, M. W. Calvin Bond, stated, upon learning this was our 11th Award, "You have a good Lodge there". I do hope that we made an impression upon him in the past at Grand Lecturer's Conventions. I know our new Master and his line will make it number 12.

Past Masters Meeting

On May 27th I met with the Past Masters of the Lodge. The purpose was to receive their input concerning Lodge issues. One of these is supporting social events. All concurred that whenever possible, even though a small amount has been budgeted, the event should, for the most part, be self supporting and cost limitations should be invoked. To ensure this the Master could/should appoint a committee to assist the Chairman of the event.

We also discussed an area that we feel has not received proper attention and that is the visitation of our Brothers who are ill or are not able to get out and around. Visitations of our incapacitated Brothers is of paramount importance. It was recommended the Master appoint a Visitation Committee. Remember, "There but for the grace of God, go I."

Touched on was the formulation of a committee to assist the officers in need of instruction or direction in Lodge duties. An initial committee was formed, hopefully it will act as a substantial aid to all future officers.

Open Installation

There will be an Open Installation of Officers on Saturday, June 12th, at 2:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Plan now to attend and give your support.

Strawberry Social

We plan to have a great dinner, and the ladies are invited, to our Strawberry Social on June 14th. This is also Sport Shirt Night. Wear the brightest and loudest sport shirt in your collection. Take this opportunity to welcome your new Master!

Information distributed

Issued at Grand Lodge were a number of booklets and financial statements of various affiliates and committees. I have them in my possession and will bring same to Lodge for your perusal.

Winding down

Brethren, my year as Master has ever so quickly flown by. It certainly has been a pleasurable experience. My heartfelt thanks to all for the cooperation received during my tenure. It is hoped that my tenure as Master was as rewarding for all of you as it was for me.

Thank you

A special thanks to my advisors, R. W. A. John Tijou, V. W. John E. Zabel, and R. W. Donald J. Brugger for all their assistance. Thank you, Brother Paul Kober, for your assistance rendered.

Please give the same measure of cooperation to our new Master.

Service Awards

Fifty Year Service Awards were mailed to two of our out of

state Brothers, Kenneth Ward of South Palm Beach, FL, and Robert Ellis of West End, NC.

Sickness and distress

I recently learned that Brother Dan Jones was released from the hospital a short time ago. He resides at the Baptist Home in Fairport. R. W. Robert Pettit's wife, Belva, suffered a set back. It is hoped that at the time of this writing that all is well with her, as well as all of our Brothers and their families.

See you at Lodge in the sidelines. □

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By W. Andy Alvarez

As this is my last article, I thank all the Brothers in the Lodge who made my year a fantastic one. It was my pleasure to serve as Master. I learned many things this year and owe it to the Brothers of the Lodge for their help. I welcome Brother Tom Grape to the East and wish him luck with his year.

In my last article I neglected to mention Brothers Alfred Bork, Carl E. Jaeger and Robert W. Judd, who were present to receive their Certificates.

By Tom Grape, Senior Warden
Brothers

I look forward to the opportunity to serve our Lodge as Worshipful Master in the upcoming 1999-2000 year period. I have an Officer Line filled with talented people to assist me. What we need to encourage us is seeing more of you in Lodge and bringing your friends who no longer attend because you do not go either. Call me this Summer at home evenings at 621-5282 or at work 254-2000 ext. 237, daytime, to give me input for changes to our program to make it more meaningful to you.

It costs us all 250 of us \$17,000 to pay for heat, light, power and taxes per year. When only 20 people (8%) consistently come to Lodge, we have to ask ourselves what are we not doing that we should be doing to increase attendance? We greatly appreciate the financial contribution made by the 100 people who con-

tinue their affiliation even though they no longer live in the local area. We shall endeavor to keep contact with you by mail and monthly articles in the *Masonic Times*. We hope you will be able to join us in Lodge during any visits to the area made when the Lodge is not dark.

Let me appeal to the 130 locals who no longer attend to tell us why. If the reason is that our Lodge building is not handicapped accessible, we need to know that if serious money is to be spent to make those changes were put forth, it would result in your return.

If you need a ride, I am sure one of our attending Brothers can and will pick you up and take you home. Ask your sons and nephews to join our Fraternity, so you will be in company you are more comfortable with or just come and greet some old friends and make some new ones. Let's put friendship, morality and Brotherly love in high gear at Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge.

Future events

I am in the process of firming up my Trestleboard for the upcoming year. After the current Master's report and Installation of new Officers at the tiled meeting on June 1st, and the picnic on June 13th, the Lodge will be dark for the Summer. On August 24th the new Officers will gather at CCL at 7:30 p.m. for an Officers meeting to finalize plans for the upcoming year. On Tuesday, August 31st, we shall host a Brother Bring-a-Friend Night with a 6:30 p.m. supper, followed by an introduction to Masonry presentation to our guests. On September 7th, I hope to see you all for hot dogs and burgers on the grill in our parking lot at 6:30 p.m. to be followed by a tiled meeting with sport shirts (the wilder the better) attire.

Have a great Summer!

School of Ritual

By Joe Privitera

We had a pretty good attendance at the last School of Ritual at Churchville Lodge on March 30th. We did have more Brothers than other Lodges, but not our usual numbers. There were 49 Brothers present, 12 from Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge. The focus for the evening was the floor work, something we should all be more aware of.

We were led in spirit by our Master, Andy Alvarez, who was out with foot surgery. Those present were Brothers Jim De Lorenzo, Don Fox, Dick Felgner, Bill Fredenburg, Mike Gorall, Frank Jansson, Neil Laundry, Ken Ratliff, Cliff Short, Chuck Simpson, Tom Tills and myself. A special hurrah for W. Don Fox, who hasn't missed a School in a long time and drove in from Pittsford for this one.

Convention

The next School will be the Grand Lecturer's Convention on October 15, 1999. There will be something different about this Convention. Watch the *Masonic Times* under the Assistant Grand Lecturer's column for further news. Let's see if we can get the Convention Banner back! □

Attention!!

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Towpath



Lodge No. 163

W. Phillip R. Hurwitz
Master
581-1831



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

R. W. Terry Wihlen, Secretary
(h) 346-4380 (w) 458-1880
152 Commercial St. West
E. Rochester, NY 14445

Our Lodge Spaghetti Dinner was a profitable success. Thanks to all those Brothers who came out to help. My special thanks to R. W. Bill Zufall for working on our money raiser. Towpath Lodge owes thanks to Cantisano Foods for their donation of sauce and prizes. For those who didn't know, Cantisano Foods makes the Francesco Rinaldo Line of sauces. Please show your support by purchasing this sauce next time you are shopping.

Special night

Roll Call/Rusty Mason Night will take place on June 1st. The purpose of this presentation is to refresh our memories on basic Masonic protocol. I'll be your Rusty Mason for the evening.

Stay in touch

Another purpose of Roll Call is to help your Lodge maintain its contacts with you. Let me assure you, I will not tolerate any "hey, where have you been." That's your business, and I will respect that.

Don't worry

Forgot the password? Don't worry, the officers of the Lodge are here to help.

Next

After the Rusty Mason presentation we will begin planning for Towpath's future. I need input from all Brothers in good standing. If health or business prevent your attendance, then please take a moment to write (146 Milford St., Apt. #3, Rochester, NY 14515), call (581-1831) or e-mail me (phurwitz@frontiernet.net). Your input on the future of your Lodge is needed.

Soap Box Derby

The annual running of the Soap Box Derby will be on June 5, 1999. Josh Folino will once again race Towpath's car. This year, our Brothers at Fame Lodge have generously allowed us the use of their Lodge that day. It is located at 4275 Culver Road, near Sea Breeze. Towpath will have a picnic that day in the small park next to the Lodge. Everyone will bring food to share, grills will be available. We plan to start the picnic at 1:00 p.m.

2nd meeting

Our 2nd meeting of the month will be on the 15th. It is our Annual Sport Shirt Night. The grill will be hot and the beverages, cold. The purpose of the meeting is to celebrate our association with one another, make plans for the Summer and just plain relax. If you haven't been to Lodge lately, this night is as good as any other. Don't be concerned if you feel as if you don't know anyone, you will not be taken for a stranger, I guarantee it.

Picnic

Mark your calendars. Our Annual Lodge/Scholarship Picnic will be Sunday, August 15th at

12:00 p.m. at Powder Mills Park (off Ret. 96, just East of Bushnells Basin). The picnic will be at Rand Lodge and there are Park signs to direct you to it. If you prefer, call or e-mail me for directions. Please bring a dish to pass.

Blood Drive

Our Annual Blood Drive will be at the Lodge in August. SD Joe Bogmis is in charge. He is in the process of coordinating with the Red Cross. You will receive a call as soon as the particulars are in place. Please help the community by either giving blood or calling people who live in East Rochester.

George Washington

Our Marshal and newest Brother, John Bryce, Jr., is working with the Pittsford School District in planning a presentation of George Washington. The Lodge is working towards obtaining an official designation as an official George Washington Bicentennial Community. This recognition is being conferred by the George Washington Masonic Museum in Virginia. In order to obtain this designation, a Lodge must sponsor or host four events about him.

Directory

W. Sol Phillips is in the process of putting together a directory of e-mail addresses of our Lodge Brothers. Please drop me or Brother Sol (iveseep@prodigy.net) a note with your address.

See you in Lodge. ☐

Union Star Lodge No. 320

R. W. Robert F. Sanford, Master
292-6383



2nd Monday
7:30 P.M.

W. Joseph Cotteleer, Sec.
(h) 624-1365 (w) 624-1881
3 North Main St.
Honeoye Falls, NY 14472

Thanks

I thank all the officers and Brothers for their support this past year and assistance with our Lodge beautification.

Many years

I had the honor to present the following Brothers their Certificates and Pins: Harold Wagner and Carlton Crawford, 55 years; Lester Moore and Henry Templar, 50 years; Richard Bull and Harold Schofield, 45 years; Carl L. French and Ronald E. Kennedy, 40 years.

Installation

On Monday, June 14th we will have our Installation of Officers. The dinner is at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Meet and greet your new officers for 1999-2000. Dinner reservations to Bob Sanford at 292-6383, please.

Festival on the Green

On Saturday, June 19th and Sunday, June 20th, is our big community project. We have a new stand and we need help to man it. Chairman Jerry Wiedermann has the schedule. Call him at 533-9289.

We meet the 2nd Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m., with Degree work on the 4th Monday in most cases. We meet the 1st and 3rd Mondays at the Temple for sociability and the betterment of our Lodge.

If you know of a Brother in need of our aid or sympathy, or one who 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 try to assist you. ☐

East Rochester's Ancient Craft Lodge No. 943



W. Sean P. King, Master
224-8067

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

R. W. Richard C. Friedman
Sec. (h) 377-6175 (w) 271-2775
152 Commercial St. West
East Rochester, N.Y. 14445

Greetings from the East!

It is with great pride and humility that I accept the challenge of being Worshipful Master of ERAC. I realize that I am one in a line of many good men who have gone this way before me. ERAC needs to begin evolving again and not just rest on its past accomplishments. In consultation with many of the Brethren, I constructed a Trestleboard for my year. Every Lodge member will receive a pocket calendar in the mail this Summer. Now for some changes.

Degrees

It has been a feeling on the sidelines that we are rushing class after class of new Brothers through the Degrees without really taking the time to educate them, or challenge them to learn about the special Fraternity they are joining. In fact, some of the new Brothers expressed a feeling of diminished pride in their passing through to Master Mason status because it was too "easy".

My Trestleboard will only reflect ONE set of Degrees for the entire year. The Degrees will have several months between them. Not only will proficiency be expected, but attendance will be monitored and a full scale educational effort will be put in place. Every meeting will have some educational focus on Freemasonry. Every meeting will be conducted on the 1st or 2nd Degree to fully integrate new members. In doing this, we hope to create a "hunger" for the Craft.

75 Year Award

On Monday, June 14th, R. W. Bill Lennox will receive a 75 Year Service Award. Brother Bill is the most veteran Past District Deputy in the Monroe District. He served as DDGM in 1940, having served Ancient Craft Lodge as Master in 1935. On the same evening, W. Alex Peters will receive the prestigious DSA Award. There will be many Awards given, including several 60 Year, 50 Year and all of the years down to 5 Year Awards.

The event will take place at the East Rochester Masonic Temple. There will be a Bar-B-Que prior to the event at 6:30 p.m. The Ceremony will start at 7:30 p.m. and is OPEN to families and guests.

To make the evening even more special, we will be honored by the presence of none other than our Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Carl J. Smith.

For reservations, call Rich Friedman at 271-2775 (W) or 377-6175 (H) or e-mail him at richddgm@aol.com.

Cooperation of all

There will be only one Brother Bring-a-Friend Night, to be held

in the Fall. It is critical that you invite men who truly will make good and faithful Masons. You will receive the information on the BBAF Night with your pocket calendars.

This effort will take the cooperation of every member. From answering a question during shepherding, to working on Ritual, to being there to support the new Brothers, there is something for every Brother to do and take pride in.

We have the responsibility of ensuring the future of this magnificent Craft for our sons and grandsons to come. Education and desire are two ways of doing this.

You will see an increase in community activity this year. I intend to lead by example and I hope that I can count on your support.

If you have an e-mail account, please send an e-mail to our Secretary. In this way you will receive timely updates and news.

See you in Lodge. ☐

Flower City Lodge No. 910



W. Jerry Spero, Master
334-7616

2nd
Thursday
7:30 P.M.

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

Reflections

The time has come to reflect on the 1998-1999 year of Flower City Lodge No. 910; what we have done and where we are heading. We had monthly meetings again this past year, although attendance was down from past years. We passed two Brothers to the Degree of Master Mason and we have a possibility of three more that we know about for next year. Our Brothers did well raising money for the Ronald McDonald House and we had a number of successful events including the

Latka Hop, Steak Roast and Picnic. A number of Thursday evening dinners were social successes and better attended than most meetings.

I thank the 1998-1999 officers for their help and participation in the Lodge this year. The Lodge has asked that I stay on for a second year, and I have agreed. It is my hope that this year will be one of growth and new activities for Flower City Lodge.

Dates to remember

I expect all of you to bring a good appetite with you for our Annual Steak Roast on June 3rd at the Bushman Cabin in Henrietta Town Park, starting at 5:00 p.m., with dinner at 6:00 p.m. Please bring friends with you as it is a great time to show off our Lodge to others. There is plenty more room for additional candidates this year. Please contact either R. W. Phil Averbach or me for reservations, so we have enough steaks for everyone.

June 10th will be our regular Lodge meeting which will be short and followed by an evening of Poker and Euchre. Flower City's Lodge Open Installation and Award Night will be on Monday, June 14th, at 7:30 p.m., with a Chicken or Swiss Steak Dinner at 6:30 p.m. All Brothers, including all Past Masters, please join me in honoring those receiving Awards, as well as wishing our new line of officers off to a great year. ☐

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

W.. James P.
Welch
Master
924-1666



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

It is with indescribable pride that I write this article on the night of my election as Master of one of the finest Lodges this historical Fraternity may ever know. I have the knowledge of our past and its countless officers and members that I accept this challenge of perpetuating our Lodge into the future. I do so knowing that I have so much support from everyone. Joining me in this endeavor is your incredible team of officers-elect that include: Senior Warden, Randall Griswold; Junior Warden, James Knapp; Secretary, Donald Smith; Treasurer, Daniel Walker; 3 Year Trustee, John Dudley; and 2 Year Trustee, William Fraser.

Within the week we will confirm the appointments of the remaining officers and establish the term plans for your enjoyment throughout the new term. Stay tuned in and we will stay in touch.

Participate

For all our local members, please review your personal calendars for June 11-13 and June 24th. You will be called for your most important participation in our annual fundraisers. Plan to be there for the brotherhood these events offer as well as the importance of their financial contributions to the Lodge. We most often call these events the "Sausage Stand" and the "Strawberry Festival", respectively.

Recent activities

Let this form of communication not forget some of our most recent contributions to our historical success. Specifically I refer to our Annual Spring Clean-up at the Lodge that included 10 Brothers turning our most important possession into a shining asset for the community to see.

On Thursday, April 29th, we acknowledged the contribution of the Rayson-Miller Legion Post No. 899 and their Auxiliary unit to the Pittsford community with the DeWitt Clinton Award. V..W.. Dan Walker presided over a wonderful public ceremony on a most enjoyable evening.

Additionally, the Lodge's compliments go out to those Brothers coordinating the Annual Widows Luncheon. Brothers Fred Hull, DSA, and W.. John Williams contacted the local widows and coordinated transportation to this wonderful event. W.. Don Smith was a driver, as well. W.. John Dudley also handed out a new directory of the Lodge's widows at the event for their use.

Special acknowledgment to Brother Andy Place. He was instrumental in securing a group of Gulf War Veterans as new renters at the Lodge. Great going! Special thanks to his wife, Beverly, for the thoughtful decorating on the 1st floor.

Important

Several dues notices were returned by the Post Office after they came open in mailing. We don't know whose were lost. If you did not get a Dues Notice, please contact Dan Walker asap at 429-6572 for a new mailing.

Welcome

We welcome our newly raised Brother, Danny Martinez. We look forward to your participation at Lodge.

I look forward to seeing everyone soon. Please note my new home phone number is 716-924-1666. □

O-At-Ka Lodge No. 759

W.. Gary
Trescott
Master
889-5424

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



R..W.. Lawrence W. Dunn
Secretary 594-8033
5 Browns Ave.
Scottsville, N.Y. 14546

Spring has finally sprung!

It is great to be in New York this time of year. The snow is gone and our fishing Brothers have left their long-johns home as they fish the mighty Oatka. This is a glorious time, but our thoughts and prayers have turned to the tragedy in Littleton, Colorado. The Oatkan Brethren, at our April 28th meeting, prepared a formal resolution to the Grand Lodge of Colorado expressing our sympathy and resolving our Grand Lodge start a Masonic Relief Fund for the Littleton victims. R..W.. Charles Ogburn carried this resolution to Grand Lodge on behalf of the Lodge as Grand Lodge met in New York City.

Widows Luncheon

Oatka was supportive of their widows this year! Both W.. Gary Trescott and R..W.. Charles "Chuck" Ogburn attended to care for our widows. This is always a worthwhile event and one of the finer events offered by the Brethren. I know the widows were pleased with the program and Luncheon.

Brampton Degree and renewal

Twenty of Oatka's finest went to our sister Lodge, Ionic No. 229, Brampton, Ontario, on the same day as the Widows Luncheon. In the words of their Master, W.. Gordon Good, "This happy recurrence of such an auspicious occasion is an opportunity for renewed dedication to the Fundamental Principles of Freemasonry". The weather was superb as well as the fellowship. Our wives were tended by the Brethren's wives and were taken to the MacMillan Art Gallery while we participated in a 3rd Degree. In the evening, a dinner was held with several toasts in our honor. All had a great time!

Self defense

Brother Peter Fallone hosted a self-defense workshop for our ladies on Saturday, May 1st. This was a worthwhile program and

something that could be offered to other Lodges if the interest warrants. Peter is one of those lethal weapons with several degrees in martial arts. (All related to black belts!!).

Canadian visitor

Oatka is blessed by Brother Robert J. Bogle's presence. Bogle hails from St. John's Lodge No. 3, Kingston, Ontario. He is working here in the region and has blessed us with his visits. We are discussing a visitation to his Lodge before it goes dark for the Summer.

Sickness and distress

Brother George Gray is recovering well from his surgery.

Brother Dig Taggart is home following knee surgery. He would appreciate someone to cook all his meals, cut his lawn, and wash his car. (I would, too, but that is not going to happen!). He probably could use and definitely would appreciate a telephone call from YOU as he recuperates.

Larry Blazey's dad, Willard, is recovering nicely from eye surgery. Larry's father is a member of Valley/Simes Lodge No. 109.

Sadly, Brother John Gladding passed away. The hearts of the Oatkan Brethren go out to his family. He will be missed by all who knew him.

Looking ahead

Plans are in the works for our Scholarship Awards at the local schools. Maintenance and work details at the Lodge are planned. We hope to get an unsuspecting new member to trim the shrubs while some of us older salts paint the window treatments. (Can I get poison ivy doing that?).

We have discussed a picnic and a Brother-Bring-a-Friend Bar-B-Que.

Been real and been fun. My thanks and gratitude to all the members of Oatka Lodge. I especially wish to thank my officers for their support. Best wishes for the upcoming year.

Have a safe Summer. □

FAIRPORT Lodge No. 476



W.. Tom
Richenderfer,
Master
377-7782

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

W.. George R. Bracht, Secretary
(h) 383-1947
37 South Main St.
Fairport, N.Y. 14450

Thanks

I thank everyone who helped me this year. Since this was my first time through as Master, I had the usual nervousness at the beginning of the year. With all of the helpful words and encouragement, the year seemed to go by very quickly. With my re-election, I plan to build on some of the ideas that were tried this past year and to try out even more new ideas. The goal is to make it fun and worthwhile to come to Lodge. Again, I thank all of my Brothers who helped make this year seem to fly by.

May recap

On May 10th we held our Annual Meeting and Election of Officers. Reports were presented from the Master, Secretary and Treasurer. The Budget presented by the Treasurer was approved for the ensuing year. The Trustees reported on the projects that

are being worked on around the building. Finally, W.. Dwight Turner reported on the activities of the Education Committee.

1999-2000 Officers

Master W.. Tom Richenderfer
Sr. Warden W.. Tom Goodrich
Jr. Warden Michael Morris
Secretary George Bracht
Treasurer Allen Fowler
Trustees Gary Moore and Greg Ludwig

I am looking forward to the challenge of presenting a fresh Trestleboard of programs to entice all of our Brothers to start attending Lodge again. I will be sending out a mailing in the near future with the Trestleboard and the full line of officers.

Upcoming events

On June 14th we will be installing the new line of Officers. I encourage all of my Brothers to come out and show your support for the Lodge Officers.

On June 21st we will have a rehearsal for the 3rd Degree at 7:00 p.m. at the Lodge.

On June 28th we will be conferring a 3rd Degree for our newest Brother. The meeting will be preceded by a Steak Dinner with W.. Tom Goodrich and Kel Kelsey, DSA, at the grill. Please call me at 377-7782 to make reservations. The cost of the dinner is expected to be \$6.00. W.. Tom Goodrich has rounded up a number of Brothers to come out and put on a great Degree and dramatization. I would like a good turnout to welcome our newest Master Mason to the Lodge.

If you have suggestions, criticisms, or need transportation to get to the meeting, please call me or e-mail me at tomrich@worldnet.att.net. □

FAME Lodge No. 945

CHARTERED 1917
4275 CULVER Rd.
ROCHESTER, N.Y. 14622



W.. Michael
Bell, Master
244-2895
2nd & 4th
Tuesdays
7:30 P.M.

Leon VanHuben, Secretary
647-1391

By W.. Richard Topel

Thanks

I thank R..W.. Bob Avery, Past Master and the Brethren for all their help this past year. You will never know how much easier you made my year for me. How can we forget W.. Mike Bell for all the great dinners he served. W.. Mike and his lady, Doris, attended a cooking school in Maryland a few weeks ago. Does this mean a new menu for us next year, Mike?

Events

On May 11th we had our Election of Officers and on May 25th a Closed Installation.

We will have our Pancake Breakfast on June 5th at Fame Lodge. The cost will be \$3.50 for adults and \$3.00 for children. To make reservations call W.. Dean Marsaw at 865-0046.

On June 8th we will have our Strawberry and Crazy Shirt Night.

Grand Lodge

On May 1st my wife and I, and several Masters and their wives, went to New York City on the train. I felt honored to represent Fame Lodge at Grand Lodge.

The 1st and 2nd Monroe are now combined into one District.

Sickness and distress

Our condolences go out to the families of these departed Brothers: Albert Lathrop on April 13th, a 53 year member; Frank Knickerbocker on April 22nd, a four year member; and John C. Landuyt on May 3rd, a 19 year member.

Rent

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

CLIO LODGE No. 779



W.. Sean
Noonan,
Master
392-8156

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

Charles A. Tucker, DSA
Secretary 392-2006
287 East Ave.

Hilton, N.Y. 14468
<http://www.frontiernet.net/~dupham>

Reflections

Greetings, Brethren. I have just returned from the 218th Annual Communication of Grand Lodge held in NYC on May 3rd and 4th. Copies of all Annual Reports have been filed with Brother Charlie Tucker, DSA, and are available after Lodge meetings for your review. Current Grand Lodge Officers were re-elected for the ensuing year. Beyond these proceedings the important news is continued Lodge and District consolidations. A proposal to consolidate the 1st and 2nd Monroe Districts into a District known as the Monroe District was approved on the first reading. For all practical purposes we are currently operating as one District. It was a wonderful experience and my wife, Dawn, and I thank the members of Clío Lodge for the opportunity to represent you at Grand Lodge.

Officers 1999-2000

Elected Officers for the ensuing year are:

Master Jeff Ross
Senior Warden Robert Pedersen
Junior Warden Gordie Smith
Secretary Charles Tucker DSA
Treasurer Dave Goodrich

Future events

June 1st will be a regular meeting. June 9th is a Spaghetti Dinner and June 15th is Sport Shirt Night with a cookout and a short meeting.

Birthdays

June Birthday wishes to Brothers Don Littlefield, William Schmitt, Tom Burger, Harry Clapper, Carl Doell, Robert Hulek and Myron Waterman.

July Birthday wishes to W.. Stu Brickman, Brothers Dave Pestell, Stan Durbin, and Norm Wright.

August Birthday wishes to W..s Dick Barnes, and Tom Tanner, Brothers Doug Trembeth, Larry Justice and Roy Steinbronn, Jr.

Go North, young man

By now you are all aware that Brother Myron Waterman and his beautiful wife, Kathy, have moved to the North Country to begin their new life as executive farmers. We will miss Brother


Myron greatly, he is a true friend who is loved by all his Brothers. We plan to visit the Watermans, who have promised to teach us how to milk cows, chase chickens and feed pigs! This is a far cry from refreshments after Lodge, Myron, but we know you will be up to the task.

Closing

Brothers, this will be my last article as your Master. It has been an eventful year in the East at Clio Lodge. We raised two young men and had abundant fellowship in our Lodge. My sincere thanks to my officers, Past Masters and Brothers for your support and love. My thanks, also, to Brother Harry DeHollander, for starting and restarting my journey to the East.

I hope everyone has a safe and happy Summer. God bless you. ☐

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



W.: Robert Franzen
594-4029
Robert C. Green, Jr., Secretary
223-5953
30 Orchard St.,
Webster, N.Y. 14580

By W.: Robert Franzen
Seneca Line change

My Brothers of Seneca Lodge and the Districts: many of you expected to see Brother Derek VanHouten's name at the top of this article and not mine. Brother VanHouten has taken an action that exemplifies the teachings of Masonry. In reviewing the turmoil his employment situation has brought on his life the last few years and the current needs of Seneca Lodge, Brother VanHouten has graciously requested to wait to take his turn as Master of Seneca. He has put the needs of many and his love of Masonry before the needs of himself. I know that this was a very difficult decision for Brother VanHouten and I admire his courage in making it. He should also know that when his turn does come, and it will, the Lodge will support him. Knowing that our beloved Tiler, Brother Howard P. Stickney, DSA, has decided to retire from that position, Brother VanHouten has given me his support by filling it.

Upcoming year

The officers and I are excited about the challenges facing the Lodge in the coming years and are working diligently to build on the strong foundations we have. Our Lodge has a wealth of talent among its Brothers and many of you will be called on to accept new challenges. As a Past Master of Seneca, I have no doubt that you will respond to this call.


This will be a busy year starting with Baseball Day on June 6th and our trip to visit our Brothers in Canada in October. At our June meeting, I invite each of you to come and share a story of how Masonry in your family has influenced your life or given you a view into the life of an ancestor.

Lodge involvement

Please take the time to get involved in at least one of our many activities. If you haven't been to Lodge in years, you will be as welcomed as if you came every

meeting. Do not feel embarrassed because you haven't come. By living your life as a Mason, you are supporting Masonry and supporting your Lodge. We sometimes forget that we are ambassadors of our Craft. Sharing fellowship and learning about our Craft at Lodge is important, but so is carrying those teachings with us in the world. ☐

GERMANIA
Lodge No. 722
4275 Culver Rd.
Rochester, N.Y.
14622



W.: Andrew G. McBride, Master
224-9479
3rd Tues. Sept. - Apr. & 1st Tues. May, Jun., Oct. 7:30 P.M.
Secretary
W.: John H. Foster 467-1677

By David N. Foster, SW

Greetings, Brethren

Well, it's almost time for our Summer break, but there is a lot happening in your Lodge. First of all, our ONLY meeting in June is on June 1st. Don't let it sneak up on you. The meeting will be a continuation of our discussion on merging with Fame Lodge. Many details still need to be worked out and this meeting will be the last chance to give the Merger Committee direction as they carry on negotiations over the Summer. Bring your questions and any ideas you may have to this meeting. A Pot Luck Dinner, starting at 6:30 p.m., will precede our business meeting.

Pancake Breakfast


Here's a chance to come out and meet some of your potential new Lodge Brothers. Fame Lodge is having a Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, June 5th at 9:00 a.m. Ladies are invited. The cost is \$3.00 per person. Please see me if you are planning on attending.

August

Mark your calendars now to save the date for our Annual Corn and Sausage Roast. This year's event will be on August 7th at Heinz Gunkel's home. We'll be starting around 1:00 p.m. Watch for a flyer in July with all the details.

I hope this finds all healthy and happy. Wishing you a bright and warm Summer, I remain fraternally yours. ☐

Craftsman/Robertson
Lodge No. 969



W.: Mike Schum, Master
(h) 248-9283
1st & 3rd Tuesdays
7:30 P.M.
Thomas W. Kendig
Secretary 265-2624
875 Main Street East
Rochester, N.Y. 14605

By Robert Ogden

Lodge Picnic

Brother Skip Waterstreet has scheduled our Picnic for August 21st at Linear Park. It is well marked on the right hand side of Route 441 as you approach the Village of Penfield, heading East. Same location as last year. Children and grandchildren, invited.

Condolences

Our deepest sympathies go out to the families of Brothers Bill Shelby and Clyde Siverd in the loss of the dear ones. Brother Shelby's mother-in-law and Brother Clyde Siverd's brother-in-law recently passed away.

Sickness and distress

Brother John Steinkamp's wife, Lynn, has not been well of late and we all want to wish her the very best. Hurry up, Lynn, and get well.

Officer's Meeting

Selection of Officers took place on May 11th. The event was held at the Shrine Mosque on Bay Road in Webster.

Ladies Night and Grand Ball

May 8th was our Annual Ladies Night at the Mapledale Party House at 1020 Maple Street. Craftsman/Robertson Lodge had a great turnout and it was enjoyed by all.

Installation of Officers

June 1st will be our dinner meeting with the ladies invited, followed by the Installation of Officers for the ensuing year. R.: W.: Vern Goodrich has graciously condescended to perform the Ceremony again. Many thanks, Vern.

Wild Shirt Night

Our Master, W.: Mike Schum, has scheduled "Wild Shirt Night" for June 15th. So Brothers, either resurrect your old shirts from "way back when" or surprise us with a new version. Let's have a real "fun evening".

Milestones

Happy Birthday to the Brothers born in June: John Beach, John Brown, Ed Fulmer, Norm Gauch, Vern Goodrich, Alan Goodrich, Bruce Hinkley, Ralph Jurgens, Fred Lang, Joe Martin, Phil McCaskill, John Meier, Ken Mertz, George Reiber, Len Schmeer, Mike Schum, Cliff Smith, Bill Staats and Chuck Walker.


June meetings

There will be a dinner preceding an Open Installation on June 1st.

Fellowcraft will meet on June 8th.

Wild Shirt Night is June 15th. ☐

Valley/Simes
Lodge
No. 109



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Fellowcraft

Fellowcraft met at R.: W.: Dave Clarke's home on May 18th, and our June Fellowcraft meeting will be at W.: Joe Bishop's. You will get a flyer in the mail with more details.

May Lodge meeting

Our May business meeting was well attended and many of our snowbirds joined us. Social time over a great meal is as good as it gets. Thanks to Hilde and Joy for their efforts and their patience.

We nominated and elected our new line. Master-elect,

Brother Richard Ferris, announced his appointments and budget for next year. He has submitted his Trestleboard to the DDGM and will continue to have programs and dinners on Lodge night. We all wish Rick success in his year. We will also continue to send Lodge newsletters and flyers regularly. R.: W.: Herb Spencer and W.: Howard Belt, DSA, were re-elected to their posts.

We also had a vote to spend an additional sum of \$500 or so (above the budgeted amount) on charities. We came in well under budget on other categories and under the overall budget by a few thousand dollars.

W.: Robert Anderson II was re-elected 3 year Trustee and our trust accounts are healthy. We will continue to use Karpus Management for the foreseeable future, since our goals and investment temperament seem to match up well.

All reports were given, discussed, accepted by vote of the Lodge, and spread upon the min-



R.: W.: Dave Clarke, PM Valley/Simes presenting 55 Year Service Award to Sam Bogorad (83 yrs. old) in N. Palm Beach, FL.



W.: Fred Stahl, PM Valley/Simes, presenting 65 Year Service Award to W.: Thomas Plain (93 yrs. old) in Pompano Beach.

utes. All reports are available through our Secretary, R.: W.: Herb Spencer, for your perusal.

Welcome

We welcomed our newest member, Brother David Mura, with a warm round of applause. As I mentioned earlier, many snowbirds came to the dinner and meeting. It was great to see them again. The meeting adjourned and Lodge closed just before 9:00 p.m. We retired to the dining room for sandwiches and refresh-

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ments. Overall it was a great end to my 2 years as your Master. I have a few official duties to attend to before Brother Ferris is installed, and the gavel is passed.

Join us

There will be an Open Installation for the new officers on June 8th at the Downtown Temple, beginning at 7:30 p.m. sharp. There will be a Dinner Banquet before the Ceremonies, and refreshments afterward. Bring family and friends, and help recognize and encourage your new Master and his line. We have a full slate of officers and nearly all committee appointments have been made.

Summer events

Have a great Summer! I hope to see you at Bill and Sharon Baldwin's for our Annual Family Picnic on Saturday, July 10th. Bring your family, especially the kids. There's always plenty for them to do, including swimming, Frisbee, volleyball, wagon rides, plenty of snacks, and seating under a big tent. We will NOT cancel this date; it's rain or shine. Come anyway, because we will still use this opportunity to get together over the Summer.

Brother Ferris is planning an old fashioned Steak Roast at Churchville Park in August. Details will be out soon. The Steak Roast/Picnic will also be a Brother Bring-a-Friend event. Start thinking now about inviting someone and his family to this outing.

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Grand Tall Cedar
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Donald C. Bell, scribe

Welcome back

A hearty welcome back to our snowbirds. Thanks for bringing the warm weather.

By-Laws

The Committee on By-Laws reported that no change is necessary to accommodate the change in meeting nights. We were, however, operating in violation by not meeting every month.

Sickness and distress

We are saddened at the loss of PGTC Robert Johnson. He was called by the Great Architect of the Universe on April 27th.

PGTC Gene Brown is at home waiting to undergo an operation. Our thoughts and prayers are with him.

Belva Pettit is home from the hospital recovering from surgery. We wish her a speedy recovery and hope to see her at our Summer events.

Thank you

Aspecial thank you to JDGTC Ted Snyder who ran last month's meeting for me.

This is the last article before our Summer break. I wish everyone a safe and warm Summer. See you at the Sausage Roast this Summer and the Steak Roast in the Fall.

**District Deputy
Grand Master**
Genesee/Wyoming
District




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

Communicate

In the last few months participation of the Lodges in submitting their monthly articles for the *Masonic Times* has dropped off. It should be remembered that the *Times* is a very good tool for us to keep the lines of communication open. The majority of the Brothers read it from cover to cover. Take the few minutes it needs to

**Grand
Steward**
Genesee/Wyoming



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

218th Annual Communication

For those of us who went, I think the New York City trip went well. Although it was a little disappointing that every Lodge in the District was not represented. I've been preaching SUPPORT since day one, and it would have been nice to show support for our DDGM and DGM, I'm sure we all have our priorities. Attendance aside, we met new friends on the bus and had the thrill of sitting in Grand Lodge. All in all, I think we had a good time. Your respective Lodge Representatives will be happy to report on the trip.

Potts Award

Congratulations to Triluminar Lodge. They were the only Lodge this year to receive the Annual Attendance Award. Even though there was a mix-up in the Certificate presentation, Triluminar and its members deserve a round of applause for a job well done. Let's see if next year Genesee/Wyoming can have several more Masters in the Grand East to receive this Award.

Important dates

- June 5 - Triluminar Lodge Golf Tournament
- June 10 & 11 - Attica Summerfest - Attica Lodge
- June 12 - Fort Degree - Palmer Lodge No. 372, G.R.C.

write an article and let us know what is happening in your Lodge.

Grand Lodge

By the time you read this we will have been to Grand Lodge and we had a poor turnout from some of the Lodges in this District. Don't forget that next year one of our own Brothers from the Genesee/Wyoming District will become Grand Master. We have to get behind R.W. Carl Smith and give him our support.

Congratulations

I congratulate the new Masters and their officers. I'm looking forward to working with you. A little later in the Summer I'll be sending out letters checking on the date for my Official Visit. If there is anything I can do to help, let me know.

What Freemasonry is not

Freemasonry is not a religion. It does not promise salvation, however, Masons revere God and urge every man to attend the church or synagogue of his choice, we learn that our strength is to be found in our God, no matter how we may view Him. (More next month from the Grand Lodge of Virginia).

"Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm".

George Ellis

God bless you.

June 19 & 20 - St. John's Weekend at Utica

June 26 & 27 - Varysburg Neighborhood Days - Chicken Bar-B-Que at West Star Lodge

June 27 - G/W Purple Apron Club Dinner

July 11 - G/W Council of Masonic Activities Meeting

July 17 & 18 - Oatka Festival, Breakfast and Parade in LeRoy

August 1 - Sunday Go-To-Church Breakfast in Java Village

August 14 - Attica Lodge Golf Tournament

August 20 & 21 - 176th Annual Assembly Grand Council of Cryptic Masons

August 25 - RAM 29th District Picnic - Kiwanis Pk., Batavia Tax free Masonic Temples

There has been submitted in the New York State Senate Bill #S.2078 and the New York State Assembly Bill #A.3559, an act to amend the real property tax law in relation to a real property tax exemption to certain benevolent orders. Please send the message to our members throughout the State to contact their elected Representatives and tell them that we are in support of these bills and to get them passed to grant tax relief for our Masonic Buildings. There were prepared letters passed out throughout the District. I hope each and every one of you signed them and sent them out to our Representatives. We could surely use the financial relief!

**Genesee/Wyoming
Council of Masonic
Activities**



**W.: Joseph Chimino, Pres.
W.: George Springett, Sec.**

New regime

Our January meeting created a new slate of Officers for the Association. They are W.: Joseph M. Chimino, President; W.: George R. Springett, Secretary; R.W.: Paul H. Smith, Treasurer; and R.W.: Kenneth E. Kohlhagen as

Benevolence Chairman. We also elected Masons at Large for a three year term, W.: Arthur E. Drewand R.W.: Jerold E. Brade.

Directory information

By the time you read this article, your Secretary should have forwarded the proper information to the Council Secretary for publication in the District Directory. If you are not sure, please call your Secretary and remind him.

The next meeting of the Council has been planned for July 11th at Attica Lodge starting at 2:00 p.m. Come and see the new officers in action and bring your thoughts and plans for your Lodge activities.

**Batavia
Lodge No. 475
F. & A.M.**
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Batavia, NY 14020



**W.: J. Michael
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Master
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Tuesdays
**R.W.: Robert F. Dagen
Sec. (716) 548-7148**

The Annual Widows and Awards Dinner and Program was indeed an evening to remember. It also was at this event that Brother Elliott Moulton was presented with his Certificate and Pin commemorating 60 years with Batavia Lodge. He was raised on February 28, 1939. It was held at Bohn's Restaurant on Saturday, May 8th, with the socializing and friendship renewals, the meal and finally, the entertainment of the evening. Vern Rupert and his lady, Anne, gave a very interesting and enlightening talk and presented a slide show of pictures of their recent trip around the world, which included many points of interest. The slide show depicted their experiences in Hawaii and at the Rose Bowl Parade in Pasadena, CA.

Nominations

The Nominating Committee presented the Lodge with a complete line of nominations for officers of the Lodge for the ensuing year. In this line we have several Brothers we have not seen for some time, who due to changes during the past few years, are now able to return and assist in making the Lodge more successful. The Installation of Officers was held at the second communication in May by the Provisional Lodge of Past and Present Grand Lodge Officers of the Genesee/Wyoming District.

Degrees

At the start of the Fall session we will be conferring the Degrees at Batavia Lodge for the first time in quite a while. We are looking forward to this event and hope that as many of you as possible can attend and participate. We will give you the final details in the September issue of the *Masonic Times*.

Summer Picnic

We are planning, and will be holding, our Annual Summer Picnic sometime during the Summer months. A date and plans are in the making. Watch your mail for the info concerning this event.

Condolences

We have lost two of our Brothers through death recently. Brother William Hubbard left us on February 22nd at the age of 91. Brother Edward Burleigh died on March 10th at the age of 88. We

extend our sincere condolences to the families of these Brothers. A contribution to the Brotherhood Fund in their memory was made by the Lodge.

I remind those of you who can to make your individual contributions to the Brotherhood Fund as soon as possible as this Campaign session is rapidly coming to a close.


Who fits the following description?

I am the oldest living Past Master of Batavia Lodge No. 475. I was born on the 9th month in the year 1909, I will be 90 years young during the year of 1999. I was Master of Batavia Lodge No. 475 in 1939 and during that year I raised Brother Elliott Moulton, who was presented his 60 Year Certificate at the Awards Dinner listed above. When I attended Grand Lodge in the year of 1939, I was informed that I was the youngest Master in the state at the age of 29. Who am I?

If you have not figured out who matches the foregoing, check the September issue of the *Masonic Times* for the answer.

May God bless us all and keep us in His care. See you in the Fall, if not before.

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



**W.: Henry
Robinson
Master
322-7545**
1st and 3rd
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(Jan/Feb/Mar:
1st Tues only)
**W.: Richard L. Smith, Secretary
493-5408**
134 South Main St.
Castile, N.Y. 14427

Greetings Brothers

Spring has sure treated us with some great weather to get us started with our outdoor chores and gardening. Plenty of warmth and with this past rain, you can almost see the grass growing! I know I can see the dandelions growing; I tell myself every year they can only last so long.

Thank you

Since this will be my last article to the *Times* for some time, I thought it is most appropriate to acknowledge some hard work and dedication. A sincere thank you to the entire Staff of the *Masonic Times* for an excellent and informative publication. Special thanks to our Editor, Don Brugger. Not only does he have the magic to take our pages and turn them into print, but edit them so they sound intelligent as well. If the truth were known, they are doing an outstanding job under less than ideal conditions. Thanks again, and keep up the good work.

Bowling

On May 1st and May 2nd, Oakland Lodge sent one team of bowlers to the 50th New York State Bowling Tournament held in Elmira Heights. Although we did not bring home the Trophy, we did bowl quite well. When we left Sunday, our team currently was in 3rd place. Team members were Fred Hance, non-Mason, Dave Kaczmarek, Russ Gillette, D.J. Beardsley and myself.

Fred was his usual self and averaged with his doubles partner, Dave K., for a nice 1290 score. Following close behind was Brother Ken Smith and myself

for a 1281 score. Both should be good for a top ten finish. When singles rolled around, Brother Ken Smith had his ball working and threw a real nice 3 game total of 715. That was good enough to be on top of the leader board. Good bowling.

Clean up

By the time you read this, we will have successfully completed our semi-annual roadside cleanup. Thanks to those Brothers who helped, and especially to Brother Fred Hance for his leadership and commitment.

Officers

Also by the time of this reading, Oakland Lodge will have balloted on the election of officers for the following year. It looks like my goal of having a lineup that does not have any Past Masters is still a few years away. An E for effort is of little value when you get a C for results. As my boss often tells me, we don't need to work harder, we just need to work smarter. So true.

Installation

On June 1st, Oakland Lodge will hold a joint Installation with Warsaw Lodge in Castile. Performing that duty will be the Purple Apron Club. This Master is certainly appreciative of their dedication and hard work. Let's all show our support and have a great turnout. I heard a rumor there will be Beef on Wick following the Installation. Our new start time is 7:30 p.m.

Closing

I thank all the Brothers of Oakland Lodge for putting their trust in me for the past two years. Humbly and respectfully serving as Master has been an honor and privilege, and something I'll cherish for years to come. Some goals have been met, but there are numerous challenges ahead. To meet these challenges, we must all become architects of the future.

Next year's tourney will be in DelMar, in the Albany area. Let's see if we can get at least two or three teams to go, even if not all on the same weekend. Mark your 2000 calendar for the last two weekends in April and the first in May.


The main purpose in Masonry is to make good men better. I have certainly been a believer in that principle. So whether you are trying to become a better person as a Mason, improve your faith, your family, or help the community, it must all start with positive thinking. I challenge each and every member of Oakland Lodge to do whatever they need to do to stimulate their brain and come up with new ideas that will make our world a better place to live. Masons have always been movers and shakers as quoted by M. W. Earle J. Hino, Jr. These new ideas, put into action, will lead us into the next millennium.

Lastly, I thank the "faithful few" who have held Oakland Lodge together for the past years. What we may be lacking in quantity we make up for in quality. In closing, I wish any Brothers who are ill or shut in good health. Our prayers are especially with W. Jack Outermans, who is battling prostate cancer. Mark your calendars, and we'll see you the first of June. God Bless.

Testing!

I have often wondered how many read our *Masonic Times*. If you are from Oakland Lodge and read this article, call me at 322-7545 or send a card to me at PO Box 25, Bliss, NY 14024. Thank you.

Triluminar Lodge
No. 543
F. & A.M.
 Main Street
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W. William A. Swyers, Master
 493-2962

2nd and 4th
 Wednesdays

W. Richard Anderson, Sec.
 493-2203

Golf Tournament

The deadline for our Golf Tournament has been extended to June 4th. If you haven't made reservations as yet, please do so at this time.

New Officers

Master - R. W. Keith Granger
 Sr. Warden - Steven Burger
 Jr. Warden - David Mayer
 Sr. Deacon - James Sweet
 Jr. Deacon - Tim Barlow
 Marshal - W. Dennis Quackenbush
 Chaplain - W. Arthur Drew
 Organist - Jack Barnard
 Tiler - W. Paul Flint

Thank you all who helped and supported me for the past two years as Master. It has been an honor to be associated with such a great group of gentlemen.

HESPERUS
Lodge No. 837



W. Garry R. Hutcherson, Master
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1st and 3rd
 Thursday

W. John Specht,
 Secretary 548-2694

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

By W. John Cooper, Master Elect

Thanks

I guess that the first thing that I would like to say is thank you to all of the members of Hesperus Lodge and Hesperus Chapter, OES. Along with them I thank the other Masons and Eastern Star members who have helped Hesperus Lodge and me in the past with their help in Degree work, fundraisers, and events. Often when one attends a fundraiser at Hesperus it is difficult to determine if it is a Masonic or Eastern Star event.

Busy times

This past month has been a blur what with all of the responsibilities of the Senior Warden (finishing up the Brotherhood Fund, the Annual Chicken Bar-B-Que, and selling the last few bars of candy for the District fundraiser), preparing to become Master, working on the Budget, etc. I am working on the Officer list, Trestleboard, invitations and programs for Installation (I am lucky that George Springett has a package together that saved me time). There is something else that I know that I am supposed to be doing, but I just can't remember what it is, but I know I can rely on John Specht to tell me.

I have responsibilities as Chairman of the Advisory Council for Rochester Chapter DeMolay. This, along with everything in my personal life, has kept me very busy. If I forget something or

someone's name, I apologize in advance. I have always been organizationally challenged, but lately it seems to be worse.

Think ahead

I encourage everyone that is thinking of being Master someday to take the "Road to the East" Course well in advance and more than once if it is available. Each time think as if you will be the next Master because it comes up fast. Save a copy of the mock Trestleboard and don't be afraid to borrow ideas from other Lodges. They will be flattered and every event that is successful is another success for Masonry.


June events

June 6th at 1:00 p.m. is our Installation Dinner at Hesperus prepared by the OES. Reservations should be made with Brother Norm Austin at 494-2223 by June 3rd. The cost is \$7.00 per person. The Open Installation of Officers of Hesperus and Olive Branch Lodges will be at 2:00 p.m.

June 11th - Fish Fry to raise funds to send a student to Camp Turk for three weeks this Summer will be at 4:30 p.m.

Well, time is getting away from me, so I wish everyone a good start to their Summer.

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



W. Craig Reitmeyer, Master
 496-9975

2nd & 4th
 Tuesdays

2nd Tues. Jan. &
 Feb

David Hossenlopp,
 Secretary 496-7267

Main Street
 Arcade, New York 14009

Thanks

This is my last article as Master of Arcade Lodge and I want to tell you, the members, that I have enjoyed the past two years immensely. The visitations to the other Lodges, and the functions held by them, has been rewarding to say the least.

I want to thank you, the Brethren, for your financial support this past year. We raised \$3300 in donations from members for the Flood Fund and \$870 for the Brotherhood Fund. Raising a total of \$4,170 from our membership has shown your commitment. I would like to add that Arcade Lodge was the District's second highest contributor and had the highest donation per member.

We have raised two new Brothers this year. Brothers Joseph Blake and Michael Boreanaz were raised with another Brother in Mt. Vernon Lodge on April 12th. It seems good to have some new members. It was very gratifying to have the support of our sister Lodges while conducting the Degrees for these Brothers.

Rewarding event

The District Fish Fry, which was held in Arcade this year for the first time, was also rewarding in that the Brothers from around the District supported the event with labor to prepare and appetites to partake of the dinner. The District didn't get rich, but it did realize some benefit.

Interesting plans

Elections were held May 11th, and the Master for 1999-2000 is W. Arthur Drew. He has plans


for this coming year which sound different and interesting. I ask that you support him as well as you did me. An Open Installation will be held at Mt. Vernon Lodge on June 14th, (second Monday) at 7:30 p.m., since it was in Arcade Lodge last year.

The Open Installation allows you to attend with your wife or friend while the Purple Apron Club performs the Installation.

Looking good!

The basement has been renovated and redecorated after the flood and looks much better. The kitchen still needs to be painted, but this will have to wait until funds are available.

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



R. W. Dennis Turton, Sr.
 Master
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 Wednesday
 (Jan-Feb-Mar
 3rd Wed Only)

W. Norman Steinbaugh,
 Secretary 591-2073

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Thank you

As this will be my last article, I thank you all for allowing me to serve as Master. For the most part, I've found it to be both challenging and rewarding. I have learned many things about this Lodge and its members and plan to use this knowledge the next time I'm in the East! Thank you all, especially the Past Masters for all the support. Farewell, my Brothers.

Chairs and more chairs!

You all know by now that our Dining Room Chair Drive was a huge success. As a matter of fact, since the first 100 were scooped up so fast, many thought we better buy more! For any of you who are interested in purchasing one of the 50 other chairs that were bought, contact the Secretary or Master with your check.

Election of Officers

At the first meeting after Grand Lodge Communications, Attica Lodge held its Election of Officers for the ensuing year. I am pleased to announce the following results:
 Master - R. W. Jerold Brade
 Sr. Warden - W. Robert Haynes
 Jr. Warden - Paul McCullough
 Sec. - W. Norman Steinbaugh

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 Treas. - W. William Walters
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 Congratulation to all of you and may you have a great year.

Jewel of the District

Attica Lodge has much to be proud of. It seems whenever there is a special program or a particular event being planned, everyone wants to hold it at our Lodge. Not only is it centrally located in the District, and a beautiful building inside and out, you can always count on its members to get things done. In addition to holding District functions and regional meetings, we have caught the eye of two additional Concordant Bodies and they have chosen to meet at our Temple. There is a rumor in the air that there may be a couple of others interested as well. This certainly says a lot. Every member should be proud, as I am, to be associated with such a great Lodge.

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



R. W. Robert Nicoll
 Master
 768-7922

1st & 3rd
 Wed.

W. Robert Forbes, Secretary
 768-2657

8 West Main Street
 LeRoy, N. Y. 14482

Brethren

June 6th will be the Installation of Officers with Hesperus Lodge in Bergen. I have consented to serve one more year as Master.

June 16th is the Annual Masonic and Eastern Star Picnic at Genesee County Park, same area as always! Fantastic Chicken Bar-B-Que, and each person brings a casserole to round out the dinner. Call me at 768-7922 so we can order the chicken.

On May 19th, with Hesperus Lodge, Churchville Lodge and Olive Branch, we raised 5 new Brothers to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. A marvelous dinner was served by the ladies of the Eastern Star, completing a wonderful evening.

Great fun!

The week of May 17th was Masonic Child ID Video Week. Starting with Lovey Day Care, then to LeRoy Day Care, Sunshine Day Care and Holy Family School, this was great fun for us

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Olive Branch

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and great satisfaction that we are able to give this service to the community in protecting our "little ones".

On May 12th we met with our attorney concerning the NYS (DEC) and the fuel oil spill affecting our property. It is our intent to have a total clean up, because it is a health hazard.

I wish everyone a very pleasant Summer. It's a good time to travel, visit friends and enjoy the outdoors.

Next communication will be in September. □

CONSTELLATION Lodge No. 404

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Perry, NY 14530



W.. Dale
Cooley
Master
237-2627
\$
1st & 3rd
Thursdays

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

Greetings, Brethren

It is hard to believe that my year as Master is over. I thank all my officers, as well as the Brothers of the Lodge, for their support. I could not have done it without you.

New Officers

Thursday, May 6th, was our Annual Election of Officers for the year 1999-2000. Officers are:

Master	Dale Cooley
Senior Warden	John Cook
Junior Warden	Bob Burt
Senior Deacon	Jack Butler
Junior Deacon	Paul Stickley
Secretary	Charles Myers
Treasurer	John Miller

A complete list of all Officers and appointees will appear in the next issue of the *Masonic Times*.

On that evening, we also had our Annual Oyster Stew repast. The Stew was excellent. Thank you, W.. Paul Stickley and W.. John Cook.

We had our Installation of Officers on May 20th. This was ably provided by the Purple Apron Club. An excellent job! Thank you, Brothers.

Our 65th Annual Breakfast in the Park will be on Father's Day, June 20th. Hope to see you there.

Our annual clean-up day is to be scheduled. Call me at 237-2427 for dates and times. This will be a joint effort by Lodge Brothers and ladies of the Eastern Star.

A special thanks is due Brother Bill Barrett and his wife, Doris, for donating their time and effort in the repairing of our pool table top. Thanks much! □

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By J.P. Allen

Honors

On May 10th we honored Trevor Rogers with our traditional cane, that is to be handed down to the oldest member of our Lodge. Sherrel Holmes was presented with the DSA. It was great fun as W.. Mark Hopkins (Sherrel's son-in-law) appointed Mike Holmes as Marshal who escorted his dad to the East to receive his Award. We had managed to keep all of this a surprise.

Elections

On this same evening we held the Election of Officers. I extend my congratulations to Bernard Whaley, the new J.W. and W.. Mike Driver as S.W. It is an extremely great honor for me to be elected Master. Thank you for your trust, my Brothers.

History

Mt. Vernon will be celebrating its 150th Anniversary this coming year and we'll keep you posted on the Celebration.

Event

Our yard sale at the Lodge will coincide with Strykers Village Yardsale Days. □

Please Note!
The following articles
were received too late to
be included with their
Lodge or District. ☹

Hesperus

By W.. Garry Hutchurson

Tempus fugit

It hardly seems possible that a whole year has gone by, it has been a wonderful year for me and an exciting one. The officers and the Lodge have given me wonderful support throughout the year and my deepest thanks and gratitude for their help.

Installation

June 6th is the Installation of Officers with W.. John Cooper as Master. Norman Austin will be Senior Warden and Marshall Krause, Junior Warden.

3rd Degree

In May we raised candidates. Thanks especially to W.. Joe Chimino for his work in the three Degrees. We are blessed to have him in our Lodge.

Thank you

A special thank you to V..W.. Robert Strang, AGL, for his support on every issue. I was lucky to have him near. Thank you to R..W.. Raymond Barber and Dennis Turton for their support. We enjoyed being in New York City with them.

I wish our new Master the best of luck in his year.

By George Springett

Dates

The Lodge will be sending a student to Camp Turk this year. To pay for this (\$550.00) we are holding a Fish Fry Fund Raiser on June 11th at the Lodge. All members are requested to furnish a pie and, of course, attend. All officers and others who can, are asked to help staff the work committee. Thank you to W.. James MacConnell and Brother Ralph Marsocci for this function.

July 17th

Our Annual Steak Roast Picnic for members and a guest will be held at Marty and Donna Krause's cottage on Silver Lake. Brother Chet Banach's music will start at 2:00 p.m., and there will be boat rides, courtesy of Brother Marty Krause and R..W.. John Jessop. Don't forget to bring a dish to pass, your own lawn chairs and this year, bring a small gift for the Silent Auction. Call R..W.. Holden Miller at 225-2204 by July 11th with your reservation.

August 15th

We will be holding a Family Picnic at the Brother Ralph and Rosie Marsocci Plantation, 7609 Townline Road, Bergen. Please bring a dish to pass and lawn chairs for your family. Tell the kids to bring a swim suit and towel. Call W.. John Cooper at 494-1559 with your reservation by August 12th.

September 11th

At the Bergen Oktoberfest, the Lodge will be doing the Chicken Bar-B-Que again. Please come, help, and have your family attend this event. The proceeds will be set aside for our 100th Anniversary expenses in June, 2002. Our goal is to give every member and a guest a free ticket to the banquet, or at the least, very, very reasonable prices. The Grand Master will be invited and we are planning a very attractive weekend on June 4th to 7th, 2002. □

Churchville Lodge No. 667

20 South Main St.
Churchville, N.Y. 14428



W.. Louis M.
Sanfillippo,
Master
227-3898

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

W.. George R. Burke,
Secretary 392-1629

Hello, Brothers!

Churchville held another 3rd Degree in conjunction with Hesperus and Olive Branch Lodges on Wednesday, May 19th at Olive Branch Lodge. There was a dinner at 6:30 p.m. and the Degree at

7:30 p.m. Churchville raised two Brothers, Hesperus raised one and Olive Branch raised two. Five new Brothers were welcomed into the Craft.

Reflections

The time has finally come for me to express what a truly positive experience I had being Master of Churchville Lodge. Reflecting back, I am thankful for the many friends who helped me throughout the year and accepted some of the responsibilities necessary to confer the wonderful Degrees, and put on the successful Table Lodge and fundraisers we held. We were successful in welcoming 13 new Brothers into our Fraternity, and I am particularly proud of all the support received in our fundraising events. A special thanks to W.. Garry Hutchurson, who always was there for advice, support and a helping hand.

Heartfelt thanks

A special tip of the hat to our JW, John Hennessey, Brothers Bill Dunn and Darryl Bentley, and everyone else who participated in putting together such outstanding dinners. I thank all the Brothers of our Lodge who attended special functions to fill the house and leave almost standing room only.

Although a lot of hard work was involved, I was always given support and help from my line officers and Brothers. I give my heartfelt thanks to everyone who assisted me in all our endeavors this year.

Churchville Lodge has had some very good years, and with your new Master-elect and his line officers, I have no doubt that they will surpass our expectations next year. □

Masonic Home	
2150 Bleecker Street Utica, N.Y. 13501-1788	
Brother Daniel L. Clark Public Relations Coordinator 315-798-4800	

A Message from the Executive Director

"The more things change...the more they stay the same." As we approach Spring this statement is still true today. The New York State Budget was not approved by the deadline of April 1st, the 15th year its approval has been late. I want to thank each employee and resident who sent letters to our State legislators in an effort to reverse cuts in funding for long term care facilities. As the legislators continue to debate funding levels your contacts through letters, telephone calls or e-mail messages to restore or increase funding for long term care is needed.

At the Masonic Home this Spring change is popping up all over the campus, like the buds on the trees or the flowers in the ground. On the Nursing Units the wallpapering is nearing completion, in an effort to brighten up the hallways for the residents and the employees. Our Medical Director, Dr. Edward Bradley, has retired after 13 years of dedicated service to our residents effective March 31st. After conducting interviews with several local physicians we have been extremely fortunate to hire Dr.

Deadline Extended to June 4th

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June 5, 1999

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Guy Wilcox to be the Masonic Home's Medical Director starting April 30th. Dr. Wilcox has an extensive background in long term care through his affiliation with the Sitrin Healthcare Center and the Summerhill Medical Group at St. Luke's Home. Although this represents change, the excellent medical care that our residents receive will continue to be the best.

Several changes are also taking place around the campus to enhance service to our residents and employees. The roof replacement at Acacia Village was started May 15th. The Vehicle Storage Building was scheduled to be completed by May 17th, and the renovation of the Gymnasium will be finished on June 7th. A committee is working on the policies and operations of the gymnasium so that we can expand upon the Corporate wellness programs already functioning on the campus. The opportunity to have a facility such as the gymnasium for the use of our employees and residents is another demonstration of the Trustees commitment to our campus. The continued advancement of our employees is also very important to our operations. As a result, the Tuition Assistance Program is now available for employees. Please contact the Human Resources Department for further details.

The future plans for the Masonic Campus may include change, but those plans will always be based on the same ideals...what is best for our residents and employees.

Building our future...

On Friday, February 5th, 14 dedicated Masons took time out of their personal schedules to be an Admissions Counselor for the Masonic Home. Why? Because they believe in the Fraternity and they want to help us bring more Masons to the Masonic Home. These individuals care about building the future of the Masonic Home.

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Lalla Rookh GROTTO

News

Patrol
Legion
Caldron

Ron Morthorst, Monarch

Monarch's Message

May I wish all the Prophet's and their families a safe and happy Summer, full of pleasant memories and joy.

As I look at the first half of my year, it has been more than I ever hoped for. My officers, committee members, Trustees, Board of Governors and Grotto members all have been right there, ready to do the right things that made our programs successful.

Our Enchanted Lantern Program is in great shape. Our meetings have been very informative with speakers, great dinners before the meetings and a lunch after.

Our office has a new look, and new carpet, thanks to Vern Goodrich and the TCC. There are new file cabinets for better storage and working area.

The ESGA Spring meeting was well attended by our officers, Prophets and myself. It was a very interesting meeting.

Master Mason's Night

This was a night of good fellowship, good food, and we let the secret out about what the Grotto is all about. I cordially invite every Master Mason who was present to join with us in our fellowship and fun. I thank them for attending.

Future events

Picnic meeting-our regular June 16th meeting will be held at Henrietta Town Park starting at 3:00 p.m. 'til 10:00 p.m. We eat about 6:00 p.m. with the meeting starting about 7:30 p.m. Plenty of food and fellowship. I hope we have a big turnout.

Grotto Golf Tournament

This event will take place on June 19th at 10:00 a.m. at the Old Hickory Golf Club, 6655 Big Tree Road, Livonia. Register early.

Enchanted Lanterns

Yes, they are available. Same donation as always-\$50.00. Send

your request to our Enchanted Lantern Ambassador, PM Dick Topel, 949 Bennington Dr., Rochester 14616,

The Stamp Program is available also at the Grotto meetings.

Sickness and distress

Our sympathy goes out to the Zarnstorff family upon the passing of Prophet Alvin R. Zarnstorff on April 23, 1999.

Day at the Races

Sunday, July 25th, is the date for this event. It is open to all Grotto members and guests. The cost is \$15.00 per person. Arrive at noon. This includes Clubhouse admission, Racing Program, tax, gratuity, seating charge, plus Terrace Buffet, which consists of 3 salads, 2 meats, hot vegetable, potatoes, eggs, breakfast meat, pancakes or French toast, and dessert, plus coffee and soda.

All reservations and checks must be sent by July 15th to me, Ron Morthorst, 231 Mystic Lane, Rochester, NY 14623.

Dates to Remember

Tues., June 1st-Board of Governors 7:00 p.m.
Grotto Office

June 7th-13th-Grotto National Convention, Reno, NV

Mon., June 7th-Caldron Executive Meeting-home of Helen Rose

Thurs., June 10th-Caldron Meeting 7:30 p.m.
Downtown Temple

Wed., June 16th-Grotto Picnic Henrietta Town Park 3:00 p.m.

**Attend Grotto Meetings
Enjoy the Fellowship**

Membership

By Bill Fredenburg

Prophets

I am happy to announce that we had a very successful Spring Ceremonial on May 19th. Our new Prophets were treated to a superb presentation by the Ceremonial Cast. Many thanks to all of those who participated.

Invite a Brother

We have many exciting activities scheduled for this Summer. This would be an excellent opportunity to invite a Brother Mason to attend one of our functions so that he can be introduced to the Lalla Rookh Grotto. Pick up some literature and a petition at the Grotto office to give to a prospective Prophet.

Caldron News

Greetings to all

Thanks to all who attended the Supreme Visit. A happy birthday to Daughters Mary Topel and Mildred Painton.

Future events

There will be a regular meeting on June 10th at 7:30 p.m.

The Executive Council will meet at the home of Helen Rose on June 17th.

Under the weather

Please remember our shut-ins with a card and/or a telephone call. Daughter Pat Slack is in St. John's Home recovering from a bout of pneumonia and Daughter Christina Eeckhout is home recovering from a broken ankle.

In closing

Our 80th Annual Supreme Session will be September 22nd-25th, in Westlake, Ohio (near Cleveland). Those interested in attending, contact Sue Wilson. Our September meeting will be held on the 9th at 7:30 p.m.

Have a safe and healthy Summer. We look forward to seeing you back in the Fall.

Cast

By George Knierim, Director

Grotto Cast Picnic

The Cast Picnic will be Monday, June 28, 1999 at Henrietta Park. The social gathering will start at 3:30 p.m., with dinner at 6:15 p.m.

For reservations call Richard Topel at 663-2547 or me at 865-0494 by June 23rd.

Master of Ceremonies

By Ken Hutchinson

Don't forget our regular outdoor meeting on June 16th from 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. The Picnic Supper will be at 6:00 p.m. at Henrietta Town Park on Calkins Road. A good time is guaranteed.

Call Dick Topel at 663-2547 with your reservations by June 9th.



Monarch, Ron Morthorst, with Prophet, George Wyatt, recipient of a 50 Year Service Award.



Monarch, Ron Morthorst, presenting 30 Year Awards to: P.M. Ronald W. Charron and Prophet James Bareham.

Lalla Rookh Grotto

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225-8471
William Golding, Adjutant
266-2384

By Jay McCullough

Still gaining members!

We are pleased to welcome Comrades Arnold Palmer and Fred Cornell to our ranks! The former is the Grand High Priest of Royal Arch Masons in the State of New York, and the latter is the latest member of the Service Bureau Council.

Copy to your calendars

July 21st is the date for the Post Picnic at the McDill's. That's the cottage on Conesus Lake, West Lake Road, at Wadsworth Landing. There'll be Masonic

signs, War Vet's signs, posted along the route to help get you there.

September 23rd is a regular dinner meeting and on October 28th, we'll have dinner and our guest speaker will be State Veterans Counselor, Keith Robinson.

Continuing the year, we have the Post Honor Guard assigned to present colors at the Interfaith Service and Breakfast at Logan's on Sunday, October 17th. We'll participate in Veteran's Day Services at the War Memorial on November 11th, as well as Pearl Harbor Day Remembrance Ceremonies at the Summerville Coast Guard Station on December 7th.

Rounding out the year, we'll feature our annual Christmas Party at home base, which is Fame Temple in Irondequoit on December 18th.

New Directory and Trestleboard

Post Adjutant, Bud Golding, is mailing Directories and Com-mander, Al Pulcino's, Trestleboards to all comrades during the next few weeks. Look for yours in the mail.

Come and Visit the Masonic Home Campus

Now is the time to plan your visit to the beautiful Masonic Home Campus. Call W.: Daniel L. Clark, Public Relations Coordinator at 1-800-322-8826 to select the date for your sojourn so the Brethren and ladies from your Lodge/District will see what programs and services are available in Utica, New York.



Scottish Rite NEWS

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



Ronald D. Mertens Commander-in-Chief



As I reflect on the activities of the Valley of Rochester during the past year, it is my opinion that the successful events outnumber those that were not quite so successful. Attendance at our various social functions has been very satisfactory for the most part. We have had some excellent programs, such as Donovan Shilling's, "Down Memory Lane", in

December, the Director of the Department of Transportation in February, and Evie and Company in April when we hosted the students and families from the Frank and Bette Paul 32° Masonic Learning Center.

Obviously our recent Class of new members, together with the Reunion Banquet honoring both the Mathew L. Gingold, 32° MSA and Rev. Paul R. Gleason, Jr. Classes are examples of success.

These successes should only be looked at as a beginning. They should provide the impetus for us to do even more, to have additional well attended programs and to attract more new members. Those will be my goals for the coming year and I hope you will join with me to achieve the desired results.

I congratulate Robert Crystal, Past Thrice Potent Master, Lawrence Dunn, Past Sovereign Prince, and Rev. Paul R. Gleason, Jr., Past Most Wise Master, on their recently completed terms of office. It was a pleasure serving and working with them. I

congratulate and welcome Franklin Granata II, Thrice Potent Master, Eldon White, Sovereign Prince, and Ill.: John E. Zabel, 33°, Most Wise Master, to their newly elected positions. I know we will have a good year as we work together to improve the Valley of Rochester. □

1999 Spring Reunion

By Lawrence W. Dunn

On Saturday, April 24th, the Valley of Rochester, in conjunction with the Valleys of Buffalo and Jamestown, presented a one-day Reunion. The Class Sponsor was Rev. Paul R. Gleason, Jr. This was the 1st time it has been tried in the Valley of Rochester. With the participation of the other Valleys, everything went smoothly and ran close to schedule.

Considering all of the plus factors of participating in a Reunion with other Valleys, I hope it will be possible to continue in this direction.

The participation of other Valleys in the Degrees took a

large burden off our members who take part in many Degrees. It also eliminated having to wait while members of casts changed costumes. The Valley of Rochester conferred the 6° and 14°, Buffalo the 16° and 26°, Jamestown the 18° and the 32° was conferred with the participation of all three Valleys.

Ill.: Harold L. Aldrich, 33°, Active for Area I, was received during the Ceremonial Section of the 32° where he gave an inspiring talk to the Candidates. There was a total of 80 candidates, 50 from Rochester, 19 from Buffalo, and six from Jamestown. Courtesy Degrees were conferred on four candidates from Syracuse and one from Binghamton.

The Illustrious Potentate of Damascus Temple Shrine, George Simon, was introduced.

The new 32° Sublime Princes of the Royal Secret from the Valley of Rochester are: Warren H. Albrecht, David A. Balcom, David A. Bigelow, Victor D. Bisig, John P. Bryce, Gary L. Burke, Joseph J. Cotteleer, Gerald A.

Ditzell, Warren G. Doerrer, Kevin R. Estee, Earl F. Gorton, Jr., Joseph S. Gresko, Lewis W. Hares, Clifford N. Hayner II, William D. Heath, Eilia Jahjah, Michael T. Johnson, Emerson E. Jones, James P. Kahn, Ryan E. Klatt, Lawrence A. LeBerth, Daniel C. Lewis, Henry D. Libera, Steven M. Lysenko, Ronald A. Mack, Dorian C. Maracle, Dwain A. Maracle, Joseph R. Marshall, Kenneth C. Martens, Michael C. McBride, Timothy J. McNelly, David A. Naess, Gus W. Neidrich III, Frederick L. Parry, Kenneth W. Ratliff, Charles M. Roberts, Robert A. Sackel, Richard E. Schmanke, David L. Schott, Stephen B. Shear II, Andre J. Smith, C. Acker Smith, Todd M. Statt, Gregory C. Stetzel, Charles F. Thibault, David G. Upham, Sr., Daryl L. Vedder, Sanford A. Ward, Cyril R. White and Robert W. Young. □

Support the Blue Envelope Appeal

Scottish Rite One Day Reunion - April 24, 1999



Picture includes the Class and dignitaries from the Valleys of Buffalo, Jamestown, Rochester and Syracuse.

A Big Thank You!

Ill.: John E. Zabel, 33° and Stephen R. Whittaker, 32° MSA, thank the cast of the 32°-2nd Section for their help and support in the Scottish Rite Reunion on April 24th. A big thank you also to the Stage Crew and Costumer, Frank T. Jansson, 32° MSA. □

Hospitaler's Report

By Thomas M. Paglia, 32° MSA
Claude Wright - fell and fractured ril and hurt his back.
Earl K. DeSmith, 32° MSA - has been hospitalized with heart problems.
Cyrus Kloner - severe back problems. □

Family Picnic

The Third Annual Scottish Rite Family Picnic will be held on Saturday, July 17th, at Damascus Shrine Mosque, 979 Bay Road, Webster. The festivities start at 1:00 p.m. - eat at 4:00 p.m.
Members of your immediate household are the guests of the Valley of Rochester. Other family members are welcome for \$4.00 per person, children under the age of 12 - free.

Flyers with reservation forms will be mailed to the membership in June. It is necessary to have reservations returned to the Scottish Rite Office by Friday, July 9th. No phone reservations! □

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Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Clams and Half Chicken
You don't have to golf to eat!
Price: \$20.00 per person

Golf
4 man scramble-start times at 12 Noon
Foursome or individuals can sign up
Par 3 closest to the pin/longest drive prizes
Price: \$33.00 per person (includes cart)
(no metal spikes, PLEASE)

Written reservations by Aug. 13th!

Grand Master

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nual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New York.

I especially welcome our distinguished guests of sister jurisdictions, both foreign and domestic, who have traveled many miles to join with the Brethren of our Grand Lodge. I truly hope that your stay with us is enjoyable and memorable. The Convention Committee stands ready to assist you in any of your needs.

My Brethren, it is now my duty to report on my stewardship for this past year. At the conclusion of Grand Lodge last year, I closed with the remark "join with me, our Grand Lodge Officers and all the Brethren of our illustrious Craft for the betterment of all mankind-for *"Together We Build."*

Brethren, you have exceeded all my expectations, and I am grateful for all you have accomplished. Your willingness to go that extra mile has paid dividends. In the many thousands of miles that we Grand Lodge Officers have traveled, both official and unannounced, I have had the good fortune to witness the renewed spirit of fellowship and purpose in Freemasonry.

District functions and Lodge programs have improved tremendously. The quality of our Ritual and dress code have brought back pride in ourselves and our Lodges. You, my Brethren, are to be commended for all your efforts.

District Deputy Grand Masters and Staff Officers

To the District Deputy Grand Masters and Grand Lodge Staff Officers: You, my Brethren, have brought enthusiasm and many new ideas to our Craft, which in my mind has rekindled the spark that encourages all of us to keep up the spirit of Freemasonry. Your Lodges have increased their attendance through various programs of interest. The quality of dress code has improved. When people see Masons dressed properly they think that we are an organization of quality and pride. You and your Lodges are to be congratulated. Quality dress and quality Ritual result in quality candidates. In addition to these innovations we must encourage and shape our new members. Do not let them sit in the corner alone-make them feel at home and wanted. There is a resurgence of pride in our Craft-take advantage of these opportunities. Your Elected and Appointed Grand Line Officers are proud of your accomplishments, and, as we enter the second year of our terms, we expect that you will do even more to build upon what you've already begun. When you wish to include any of them in your programs, be sure to give them enough lead time to arrange their schedules inasmuch as they are committed to many functions.

Trustees of the Masonic Hall and Home

Brethren, the Trustees of the Masonic Hall and Home, under the leadership of R. W. William H. Mueller, continue to pursue a goal of superior care and quality of life for our guests at our Masonic Home in Utica. There is no doubt in my mind that we have one of the finest facilities in the State of New York, and for that matter, anywhere-this I can state as I have made many visits at the Home. The Youth Camp in Woodgate is one of the finest facilities if its kind, as the Trustees

continue their efforts to improve our Camp, both in terms of the facility itself as well as its administration.

The Trustees also continue to upgrade the George Washington Masonic Historic Site at Tappan, always seeking to improve this historic site.

Our Grand Lodge Building, Masonic Hall, is 90 years old, and as you have seen, the Trustees' renovations and improvements continue to keep this Grand Lodge building a model for our Fraternity worldwide. We congratulate them for their untiring dedication and efforts.

Grand Lodge Committeemen

I deeply appreciate the efforts of our Grand Lodge Committeemen. The positive results of your endeavors to promote the many projects under your care are having a great impact on our Fraternity. The results are a tribute to your efforts. Under the umbrella of the Community Services Committee, the Child ID and Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Programs have had marvelous results. I can only encourage you to continue to serve the youth of our communities in your efforts to eliminate drug and alcohol abuse among our children. Our society needs more of these dedicated Brethren to rid our nation of this scourge which affect so many of our youth.

Veterans Services

My Brethren, as we see many of our Nation's young men and women again in harms way in the service of our country, we are reminded that we owe so much of our freedom to the many veterans who have put their lives on the line in the service of our Nation. Many of them remain hospitalized in our VA hospitals. Please visit them so they may know we share and care for them.

Brotherhood Fund

You concern to meet the challenge and needs of our Masonic Charities and Programs through your continued generosity to our Brotherhood Fund keeps touching the hearts in so many of our Brethren and families in need of our assistance. Take pride in all that you have done, no matter how small or large. Be mindful that you and I do make a difference in peoples lives.

Camp Turk

Our Masonic Youth Camp in the Adirondacks continues to be one of the crown jewels of New York State Freemasonry. The Trustees continue to fund and upgrade the Camp Turk facilities in order to afford many youngsters the opportunity to appreciate the beauties of nature and the outdoor life.

George Washington Masonic Historic Site at Tappan

The George Washington Masonic Historic Site at Tappan continues to be an attraction for students of revolutionary history, where the father of this great nation made his headquarters several times during the American Revolution. This year should be a banner year for the site during the observance of the 200th Anniversary of the death of our first President...

Ritual

The success of the Grand Lecturer's Conventions during the tenure of M. W. Calvin G. Bond as Grand Lecturer was exceptional. His efforts have truly rekindled an interest in our Ritual among our new members and old timers alike. I was truly saddened when he requested to retire. He has given of himself for so many years. His recommendation of R. W. Edward G. Gilbert to succeed him as Grand Lecturer has met with very favorable comments. I would ask that you give your utmost support to our new Grand Lecturer as he travels throughout the State this year.

Training Seminars

The Training Seminars, both at the Grand Lodge level, as well as the "Road to the East" at the Lodge and District level, continue to be useful and successful in all facets. The Committee members are to be commended for their dedication for your benefit.

Town Meetings

Your attendance and participation at our Town Meetings have again exceeded my expectations. We, the Grand Line of Officers and Committeemen, are there to answer any question as best we can, and also to inform you of the directions we feel will be beneficial to our Lodges and Brethren. I ask you to continue attending so that we know the needs of the Craft.

Office of the Grand Secretary and Staff

My Brethren, nothing could be accomplished without our Grand Secretary's office. The dedication of the staff knows no bounds and they assist in every way possible. There have been a few glitches now and then, but I can assure you that they work hard to satisfy your needs. M. W. Gary A. Henningsen, PGM, Grand Secretary-you and your staff have my personal appreciation.

Conclusion

My Brethren, I have witnessed a rekindling of enthusiasm wherever I have had the good fortune to be with our Masonic family-at dedications, rededications, anni-

versaries, presentations and other events. This is truly through your efforts. Any accolades belong to you, the Brethren of our Lodges, and Masonry in general. I am encouraged by what I have experienced first hand this past year, and I am confident that with all you have accomplished we can, and will, achieve even higher goals. My Brethren, in my Installation Address tomorrow I will share with you my vision and goals as we close the 20th Century and build for the future of Masonry in this 21st Century.

May we have the will and strength to fulfill our objectives. May the Great Architect bless each and everyone here, for *Together We Build.*

Thank you.

An Open Letter to Area Freemasons

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We all are aware of the great work being done by our Masonic Service Bureau and the generous donations made to the various charitable organizations in the area. I know, however, that numerous individuals contribute much time and energy to causes besides those charities designated by the Bureau. I am suggesting, however, that it might be wise to support, with our own personal time and effort, the charities that the Masonic Service Bureau helps financially.

If each Masonic Organization could determine what collectively their members could do, as volunteers to these charitable organizations, wouldn't that be an excellent way for the Masons of Monroe County to receive additional recognition as a real asset in the Rochester area? Perhaps this effort may even act as a catalyst persuading some non-Masons to join the Fraternity in its work.

Fraternally,

Ken Skidmore

Attention!!

The deadline for submitting material for inclusion in the September issue of the *Masonic Times* will be: **August 9, 1999.**

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July 3-8, 1999

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Royal Arch Masons
29th Capitulat District



R.E. Stephen Licht

Greetings

Currently it is 82° on a sunny day here in Batavia, so why am I indoors writing at this moment? The answer is simply that I enjoy addressing one of the finest Districts in this state. The support you have shown the Royal Arch Scholarship Dinner, through your strong presence year after year, embodies the spirit of Capitulat Masonry. The regular attendance at the Annual Convocation in Albany is further proof of your fidelity and zeal. I have enjoyed working with some of the finest ritualists in this Grand Jurisdiction and watched with anticipation as new Companions fill into the ranks, continuing the tradition of Excellence. Do not accept these laurels lightly as I do not offer praise as freely as some might wish. Having seen Degrees and Ritual performed throughout New York State, you take a back seat to no one!

The merry month of May

May has been a month of intense Degree conferrals in Chapters and the Council. Isn't it tremendous that Chapters are seeking candidates, conferring Degrees in which they are proficient and the District acting together to confer the Holy Royal Arch?

Picnic

The Annual Picnic of the 29th District will be held on Wednesday, August 25th at Kiwanis Park in Batavia. The Park is located about two miles West of Batavia on Rte. 5 (on the South side of the road). The fare of the evening will include thick, juicy steaks,

salad, salt potatoes and homemade pie. Dinner will be served 6:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Reservations must be made through your High Priest by August 18th. Of course, your ladies are invited. The WNY Past High Priests Association has been invited to participate. The cost is \$10 per person. Adult beverages will be available. Chef Jerry Brade is anxious to grill your steak. □

Grand High Priest's Reception

By R.E. Thomas Paglia, Grand Sentinel

Congratulations for a job well done. All of the committees can be very proud of what was accomplished. Each of you had a very important part in the Reception. The team worked with professional unity. M.E. Arnold E. Palmer, Grand High Priest, Royal Arch Masons, State of New York, and I are proud to have had you all as a totally committed committee. From all reports, everyone really enjoyed themselves. This was truly an exceptional Reception. There are no words to express our gratitude for what you all did. We can only say, "Thank you from the bottom of our hearts". God bless each and everyone of you.

Committees

The following helped: M.E. C. Richard Trust donated the floral centerpieces; E. Paul Josephson, Co-Chairman; R.E. E. William Whittaker, Companion Steve Whittaker, and Brother Richard Shellman-Journal; Companion Dennis Gellasch, Hotel reservations; R.E. F. Jay McCullough and Companion Dennis Gellasch, correspondence; R.E. Vern Goodrich, Treasurer; R.E. Lawrence Dunn, Registration; R.E. Stanley Peterson and R.E. Ernest Stelianou, seating; V.E. William Zufall, mailing; Companion William Lindsay, Dinner Reservations; R.E. E. William Whittaker, E. Lawrence Hood and Companion Stephen Whittaker, Journal Boosters; Companion John Dudley, ladies events; R.E. Robert and Linda Zahn, E. Bruce Horncastle and Janet Gee, Companions Thomas Kendig and William Hook, and Mrs. Nancy Josephson, Hospitality Room; Mrs. Cora Paglia, Mrs. Eileen Drost, folding, stuffing, sealing and stamping envelopes;

R.E. Francis Wilcox, Grand Musician; and our Canadian Brethren (I am a Life Member of Orient Chapter No 79)-V.E. Donald Martyn, R.E. Charles and Lady Meldrum, E. Dave Phelan, V.E. Greg Robinson, E. Allan Corbett, E. David Danniels, who helped set up the Banquet Hall. I hope I did not forget anyone. If I did, my apologies and thanks to all of you wonderful people who attended the Reception, for without you there would not have been one. □

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No. 62
2nd & 4th
Thursdays
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546-2088
Richard J. Oliver, Secretary
594-2380
875 Main Street East
Rochester, N.Y. 14805

Companions

On Thursday, April 22nd, Hiram Chapter conferred the Holy Royal Arch Degree on 2 new Hiram Chapter members, Robert Franzen and Terrance Wright, plus 2 candidates from other Chapters. When you meet these new Companions, shake their hand and welcome them into our Chapter. In fact, we should greet every Companion in the Chapter room when we first enter it. It is a great habit to have. I am sure we have all been in a meeting where we feel somehow forgotten. Don't be afraid to be the first one to stick out your hand and say hello.

Picnic

This Summer's Picnic will be held on the 4th Thursday, June 24th, instead of the 2nd Thursday, due to scheduling with the Town of Henrietta. We will not begin to eat until after 5:00 p.m., thereby allowing those who work enough time to go home and change before the Picnic. You will be receiving a flyer about reservations and where the Picnic will be held. REMEMBER-it is only common courtesy to have your reservation in on time, it also helps those who are providing the food to estimate how much to order!

Summer event

You will be receiving a flyer soon on this happening. PLEASE-have your reservation in on time. When we turn in our reservations, that is it. Those who have not responded by the due date will miss this outing! Sorry, but that is the way it is.

Fall Class

We need candidates for the Fall, a special Class is in the works. The Mark Master and Past Master Degrees will be given at Lake Osco, Hiram Chapter will confer the Most Excellent Master Degree and the Holy Royal Arch will be conferred in Utica, in a joint meeting with the Cryptic Masons. If we all look around, we may find a friend or associate who would be a good contribution to Hiram Chapter member-

ship. If you acquire a candidate, please call John Dudley, Bill Lindsay or myself. We will do the rest.

Plan ahead

The Canadians are coming this October.

My lady, Carm, and I hope you all have a safe and enjoyable Summer. We need it after this last Winter. As your High Priest, it is my hope to see you at some, if not all, of our Convocations this year. Until then, may our God above watch over you and yours until we meet again. □

District Deputy
Grand Master
8th Cryptic
District
R.II. Douglas S. Poole
584-3601

By R.I. Douglas S. Poole
Companions

Another year of Cryptic Masonry is over and a new one has just begun. My congratulations to all the new officers! I am sure the trust your Companions have placed with you is well founded. I wish you all a great and productive year!

Grand Council Sessions

Our Grand Council Sessions will be held August 20th and 21st at the Holiday Inn at Fishkill, NY. Reservation forms should be in the mail shortly. Just a reminder that any new Illustrious Masters must attend to receive the TIM Degree.

Let's give support

It would be especially nice to have a large delegation from the 8th District attend this Grand Council as one of our own, R.I. Douglas J. Swan, of Bath Council, will be our new Grand Master. Let's all be there to support him!

I hope that most of the Councils will hold some sort of Summer picnic or get-together. It is a great time to see the Companions who Wintered in the South. You might even want to consider holding a regular meeting. I found this worked great in my Blue Lodge. It got out members we haven't seen in years!

Have a great Summer! □

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Nearing the end

As we near the end of the Masonic year, I need to express my gratitude to the many Companions who have supported me during what has been a hectic year. There are too many people to name and rather than risk leaving someone out, I'll just say thanks to all!

The Cable Tow

I think some of us have forgotten a basic tenant of Freemasonry, "the length of our cable tow". We preach that you're only expected to give as much as you can, and if you can't, we understand. Yet, how many of us have heard the comment, "what happened to you last meeting? Don't you know we meet on a set day(s) each month?", or when it's announced that a Companion has other obligations, "we're all busy, look at my calendar...I still manage to show up!".

Freemasonry (all of its Bodies) are volunteer/service organizations. We depend on people who freely give of their time, selves, and resources. We need to thank members for what they do, not chastise them for what they don't!



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There are fewer and fewer Companions who practice the art of welcoming a member to a meeting (like a long lost relative), reassuring them that they are missed and that we understand "family comes first", or it's OK to have other commitments. Imagine how many members we would keep if we really respected the length of their cable tows.

Message for the penny pinchers

The *Masonic Times* is worth what it costs an organization, even if you never include an article! Masonry is not the Lodge, Chapter, Asylum, Priory, or whatever else we see fit to call ourselves. Masonry is best exemplified by the individuals who through their actions, ideals and true selflessness, make the rest of us look good! The *Masonic Times* celebrates our collective good. It is a source of pride, information, advice and values that we can all benefit from. No one assigned responsibility for a *Masonic Times* article intends on missing a deadline. It just happens, things do come up.

Venting, good for the soul!

Venting is good for the soul as long as it is not directed toward an individual or intended to hurt others. Please forgive my candor, but we need to stop playing lip service to the ideals outlined in our obligations, re-read them and start to live by them. □

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No. 34
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Election of Officers

Our last meeting was the Election of Officers:

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- Prelate SK Harry Brown
- Assoc. Prelate SK Charles Lee
- Treasurer SK Richard Rung

- Recorder SK Allen Capwell
- Standard Bearer SK Larry Thibault
- Sword Bearer SK Norm Steinbaugh
- Warder SK Larry Bright
- Sentinel SK Robert Forbes

Important dates


June 10th is our Ladies Night at Stafford Country Club. Refreshments served at 6:30 p.m. and dinner at 7:00 p.m. Call me for reservations.

June 12th - 13th - Honor Guard at Old Fort Erie □

Cyrene-Monroe
Commandery
No. 12

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SK Douglas S. Poole
Commander 584-3601

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Recorder 594-8033

Thanks

I thank those who made our Installation a success. A big thank you to the Ladies of the Shicker Club for the wonderful Reception. There are not words enough to thank them for the support they give the Commandery. Like most military organizations, we seem to travel on our stomachs.

Thanks also to the neighboring Commanderies, both in and out of Zone 11, for attending. A special thank you to my Honor Guard from Sagoyewatha Commandery No. 17, and to SK Ronald J. Bertie and his Installation Team. I hope the officers of Cyrene/Monroe can live up to your expectations for them!

Duties

Our last regular meeting for the year will be an Officer's Meeting on Monday, June 7th. This is a casual dress meeting to map out ALL our duties for the ensuing year. If you cannot attend, your duties will be mailed to you. We have had a serious problem with the lack of communication in the past year. It cannot be allowed to continue.

Picnic

We are not all work, however. This year the Commandery Picnic will be on Monday, July 12th, at my cottage at Glenora on Seneca Lake. The address is 122 North Glenora Road, just off Route 14 in the Dundee area. If you need directions, just contact me. We will eat at 6:30 p.m., but feel free to arrive anytime after noon. I apologize for having it on a Monday, but with my job, it is almost impossible to take weekends off.

Sickness and distress

SK Dean Airy is still under the weather. He keeps having mini heart attacks. Please keep him in your prayers. If you know of any concerns, please contact me.

May you have a blessed and joyful Summer. □

Masonic Home

Continued from page 12.

The men were greeted in the Administration Building by Angie Caiola, Director of Community Relations. The training session started with a welcome by Daniel L. Clark, Director of Public Relations, who introduced the staff members involved in his project and also served as the Master of Ceremonies. An overview of the program was given by William J. Luley, Executive Director of the Masonic Home and a tour of the entire campus was conducted by Keith W. Heinrich,

Associate Executive Director. Cindy Dardano, Retirement Counselor, led the tour of Acacia Village.

On Saturday morning, counselors and staff gathered for breakfast in the Wiley Hall Dining Room. This gave the counselors an opportunity to visit and introduce themselves to some of the residents. Following breakfast, all participants were escorted to the Master Mason Activity Room.

Presentations were given by Sharon VanKuren, Director of Social Services, Marilu Pacific, Admissions Coordinator, Lorrie Arcuri, Director of Nursing, and Warren J. Mundrick, Director of Rehabilitation Programs. In full detail, the complete admissions process for long-term care and the specialty services (short-term rehabilitation, respite care, palliative care, sub-acute care, dementia care and IV therapy) was provided. The Wiley Hall presentation was made by Nancy Herringshaw, Director of Domiciliary Care. The program concluded with lunch at Acacia Village on Saturday.

At the conclusion of the seminar there was a great exchange of ideas and thoughts on how to make this program an overwhelming success. The counselors discussed how they planned to convey their knowledge to the Brethren and their ladies in their local areas. They were very enthusiastic and excited about being a part of this program.

As the new counselors left our campus, many comments regarding the program were made. "Outstanding seminar!...I never knew that service was available at the Masonic Home", said Paul Gahan from St. George's Lodge No. 6 in Schenectady. Frederick Grieve, from Hendrick Hudson Lodge No. 875 in Red Hook said "this was quite an experience for me, as many times as I've been on the campus, I never realized the myths that people still have about the Home...like...they have to turn over all their assets to the Masonic Home before they can be a resident".

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The Masonic Home is very excited about the commitment made by these Brothers. The goal is for the program to grow until each District has at least one trained Admissions Counselor. This program represents the greatest opportunity for a Lodge Brother to completely understand the various programs and services offered at the Masonic Home.

The Masonic Home is the home that was built and designed for every New York State Mason. We are here for you, when you need us! If you are interested in helping us promote our magnificent facility, please make a commitment to join our Admissions Counselors' Team by contacting W. Daniel Clark at 1-800-322-8826, ext. 4923.

We anticipate our next training session to take place sometime in early Fall. The Masonic Home provides meals and overnight accommodations. □

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Damascus Temple No. 2 Shrine News

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FROM THE POTENTATE



GEORGE SIMON
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Shrine Office
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Unity in Action!

April 24, 1999, was a great day for the Masonic family of Western New York. What a wonderful feeling it must have been for the Committee and all the Nobles who worked so hard to bring this day together. Damascus Temple, Ismailia Temple, and the Scottish Rite Valleys of Rochester, Buffalo and Jamestown, took part in the Degrees and the Shrine Public Ceremonial to help create 67 new Nobles for Damascus Temple. Following the Public Ceremonial, transportation was provided to the Blue Cross Arena at the War Memorial, where we honored Noble Paul R. Gleason, Jr., the Class Sponsor, and our new Nobles and their ladies. This day, Nobles, represented UNITY IN ACTION. This is what our great Masonic Fraternity is all about. "TEAM" means "TOGETHER EVERYONE ACHIEVES MORE". I congratulate each and everyone of you for a job well done.

Welcome

To our new Nobles, welcome to the greatest Fraternity in the

World. We, as Shriners, are dedicated to helping children who have orthopedic problems or burns. We help support 22 hospitals in North America and are proud that you have joined us in this endeavor. Never forget that the Shrine was founded on the idea of having fun. You know the old saying, "All work and no play makes for a dull day".

Join the fun

We have functions coming up for all the family to enjoy—parades, a picnic at Sea Breeze, Ox Roast, hospital trips, and more. Please read the "Damascus News". Do not forget to make your reservations early for the functions. In some cases, reservations may have to be limited.

Let me be a Simple Soul, no matter what life brings
Finding joy in solitude and peace in little things.
Content to watch the grass grow, and all the flowers bloom
Bring sunlight to the lives that may be touched by gloom.
Let me be a Simple Soul, however grand the Earth
and never let me once forget how much my Soul is worth.
Bind me to the things of life, that cause the heart to stray
and keep me just a Simple Soul forever and a day.

Damascus Past Masters Team

By Joseph Minas
I thank all the Nobles and Past Masters who participated in conferring all the 3rd Degrees this past Winter and Spring at the different Lodges. I wish you all a pleasant Summer. As I stated before, if there are any Past Masters who want to join us, please let us know.

Shrine Colors

The meaning of the Shrine

Colors, so far as one could ascertain, is that the colors were adopted with no thought at all, they were just adopted. Going back, however, over the expressions of the famous authorities and considering the fact that no one else had done so, it was considered that the chosen colors of the Shrine are thus interpreted: Red, virile love; Yellow, glorious purity and Green, active faith.

"We honor the Red of the Shrine for the virile love of a happy fellowship," says Ruskin. You must have the child's character in these four things—humility, faith, charity and cheerfulness.

The Yellow of the Shrine pledges ourselves during the initiation that we will never wear the emblem of our Order where we would not take our mother, sister, wife or daughter. There is an important principle hinted at here. Shriners and Masons should not forget that the vows taken at the altar in initiation express only the start and not the final goal of our moral behavior by honoring the fellowship in your cleanness of life, deeds and thoughts.

Some years ago the meaning of the Shrine Colors was explained by the Rev. David R. Covel, a Mason and Shriner.

Damascus Golf Club

Interested?

We are considering forming a new Club at Damascus Temple. All interested duffers and scratch golfers are welcome.

If you would like to be a part of this new Group, please call the Office at 671-7701.

The Shrine and Shriners Hospitals Speed Down the Information Super Highway

On the information super highway, the Web site of the Shrine and Shriners Hospitals for Children is one of the front runners. The site continues to accelerate, both in the amount of information provided and the number of visits or "hits".

What started as a 40-page site has throttled up to over 400 pages of information. It includes facts about the Shrine Fraternity, Shriners Hospitals, admission procedures, new information, patient success stories, prevention and safety tips and much more.

All of the publications produced by the International Shrine Headquarters are posted on the site in their entirety, including "Between Us" magazine, "PR Forum" and membership newsletters. The Public Relations Department is also in the process of collecting additional information from each of the Shriners Hospitals so, not too far down the road, the site will contain in-depth information for each of the facilities. These pages will have treatment information, maps to the hospitals, special programs and other information pertaining to each individual hospital.

Since its completion, the site has also gained velocity in the number of hits, with a total of almost 1.5 million visits since May 1996. That month, the site received less than 3,000 hits. In March 1999, there were over 109,000 visits to the site, with a daily average of more than 3,500.

The site, which is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, is reaching people from places as far away as Greece, Australia and Singapore. With the significance of the internet gaining momentum, the Shrine Web site has become a very important vehicle for information dissemination. It has become one of the most prevalent ways for Shriners, potential patients, the media and the general public to learn more about the Shrine and Shriners Hospitals.

If you are traveling down the information super highway, or want to learn more about the Shrine Fraternity or Shriners Hospitals, stop by our Web site at www.shrinershq.org.

Daughters of the Nile

By Jean Friedrich, PQ

The splendid days of Summer are here at last, bringing with them the chance to take time away from our Winter routines. We can reflect on the season just passed, and make leisurely plans for a distant Fall.

Congratulations

Our congratulations to the new Shriners who just joined Damascus Temple. We hope you will take advantage of the many opportunities that the Shrine offers to become active participants in this vital organization.

We would like to tell you about the Daughters of the Nile. This is the organization for your ladies who help support the Shriner's

Hospitals, get to know each other better and to have fun, as well.

Daughters of the Nile was formed 86 years ago and has grown to an international organization of 149 Temples with over 55,000 members.

The primary philanthropy of the Daughters of the Nile is the Convalescent Relief Fund, which supplies braces, special surgical garments, artificial limbs and orthopedic shoes to children in the 22 Shrine Hospitals and Burns Institutes.

Zama Temple No. 14

In Rochester, we have Zama Temple No. 14, which meets monthly, excluding June, July and August, at Fairport Lodge on Main Street in Fairport. We also have an active Finger Lakes Nile Club for those living outside Monroe County. We will be happy to tell you more about us. Just call any member or me. See my telephone number above.

We also have an active social side. This Summer we will have a Mystery Trip on Sunday, July 11th, chaired by PQ, Gail Clarke; a golf outing on Wednesday, August 4th, lead by Pr. Shirley VanDenBergh; and a Day at Walnut Hill Carriage Show on August 21st, planned by PQ, Sharon Baldwin. Be sure to come to our Luncheon on Saturday, June 26th, honoring the First Lady of Damascus Temple, Lula Simon.

Now, off to the beach, or the garden, or pick up a good book. Have a wonderful Summer!

ZAMA TEMPLE NO. 14 DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE

Cordially invites you and your friends to attend a luncheon in honor of the First Lady of Damascus Temple

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New members

R. W. John and I have enjoyed four Official Visits last month in the Genesee/Wyoming District. We are very excited about the 12 new members and one dual member installed. Two members were installed in Centennial Chapter No. 299 on April 19th and four in Hesperus Chapter No. 823, Bergen, on April 26th. Six more, plus a dual member, were added in Perry Chapter No. 497 on May 4th.

Starlight Award

This year our Genesee/Wyoming Matrons are choosing indi-

viduals to receive a Starlight Award for service to their Chapters. These Sisters and Brothers have exemplified the song title, "Brighten The Corner Where You Are".

On March 24th, Wthy. Evelyn Krauss chose Wthy. Sharon Stokes in Batavia Chapter No. 267.

Rt. Wthy. Jean Lewis was chosen by Rt. Wthy. Shirley Lewis of Arcade Chapter No. 337. Rt. Wthy. Jean has been a member for 70 years.

Wthy. Jane Heubusch, Matron of Centennial Chapter No. 299, asked that this Award be given to the whole Chapter for all the ways each member has 'brightened their corner'.

Wthy. Joyce Sands chose Rt. Wthy. Helen H. Pullman of Hesperus Chapter No. 823. She also received her 60 Year Pin at this celebration.

Rt. Wthy. Shirley Church of Perry Chapter No. 497 chose Sister Doris Barrett for the Award. Rt. Wthy. Hazel Hatfield received a Service Award Pin at Perry Chapter that evening. These Awards were given at each Chapter's Official Visit.

Congratulations to all of our recipients and a warm welcome to all of our new members. □

Rochester Chapter-June 5th-7:30 p.m.

Irondequoit Chapter-June 7th-8:00 p.m.

If there are any questions about any of these events, please feel free to call me. If I don't have the answer, I will make one up (just kidding)!

September 25th will be the Combined Homecoming for the 1999 Grand Officers. It will be at the Downtown Masonic Temple at 2:00 p.m.

Reminder

From M. Wthy. Wanda: if you would like to call Rt. Wthy. Bruce Palmer, he will be glad to come to your Chapter and speak on the Membership Program.

She wishes you all a wonderful and safe Summer.

We hope you all have a lovely Summer. Enjoy it and have good memories.

The person who does things that count, doesn't usually stop to count them.

Until next time, I wish you peace. □

NOLA Chapter No. 368

Order of the Eastern Star

1st & 3rd Tuesdays
8:00 p.m.

Wthy. Kim Morici
Matron
Rt. Wthy. Carol Wynings
Secretary

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By Wthy. Avis Theis

Come again!

It was nice to have Rt. Wthy. Barbara Spano and Rt. Wthy. James Coleman visit us on the occasion of our Official Visit.

Sympathy

We extend our best to Sister Tony and Brother Alan Jeerings on the death of his mother.

Concerns

We pray all will be well for our members during Summer recess. Call Sister Kathleen Skelton if anyone should be remembered.

Meetings

June 1st is the Picnic at 6:30 p.m., meeting at 7:30 p.m. The Committee is Wthy. Kim and Brother Santo Morici. Thanks to all who have helped the projects, committees and gifts this first half. Have a nice Summer and we'll see you September 21st.

June birthdays

Wthy. Sherre Albright, Wthy. Mabel Gruendike, Brother Dean Hiler, Rt. Wthy. Susan Huff, Wthy. Joan Jacobs, Sister Helen Linney, Sister Dee Maxfield, Sister Ann Mollon and Sister Mary Weinreber.

July

Wthy. Ora Combs, Sister Tony Jeerings, Sister Doris Ray, Wthy. Sara Stephens.

August

Sister Phyllis Boughner, Wthy. Anita Drake, Wthy. Jessie Johnson, Brother LeRoy Lester, Brother Craig Mollon, Sister Doris Ray, and Sister Florence Smith.

What really matters

At the end of your life, you won't think about the Degrees you've earned, the positions you've held or the wealth you've accumulated. What will really matter is whom you love and who loved you. □

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What's new

Congratulations are in order for Wthy. Chuck Simpson who has received a Grand Lodge Appointment. He is now the Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of the Czech Republic near the Grand Lodge of New York.

Looking to the future

Due to circumstances beyond our control our Official Visit was not held at the May meeting, but will be on June 5th. We do have a new member joining so please make every effort to attend. Meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. sharp; however, there is a show that night so I suggest you come early-bring a book or just come and talk. All officers should be there by 7:00 p.m.

Other dates to remember

June 6th - Walk-a-Thon and District Picnic at Charlotte Beach.

June 10th - Lilac Luncheon at the Holiday Inn, Utica, with our Sisters and Brothers from the OES Home.

July 23rd & 24th - Oriskany Pilgrimage. See Rt. Wthy. Barbara Spano's article for more details on these events.

September 25th has been set as the date for the Joint Homecoming for all 1999 Grand Officers. Interesting and different things are being planned that you won't want to miss. Mark the date on your calendar now.

Hope you all have a safe and happy Summer. As of this writing the Worthy Patron and I are scurrying around getting ready to go to Finland.

Thought for the month

"There is no power of love so hard to get and keep as a kind voice. Watch it day by day as a pearl of great price, for it is worth more than the finest pearl hid in the sea. A kind voice is to the heart like light is to the eye. It is a light that sings as well as shines." □
Author unknown.

In Memoriam

April

Abrams, Loren E.

Death claimed Loren on April 18th at the age of 87 years. He was a member of Rochester Consistory and a 50 year member of Webster Lodge No. 538. He leaves his wife, Helen, children, 5 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

LaBaie, Arthur W.

Arthur resided in Florida at the time of his passing on April 17th. He was a member of Clio Lodge No. 779, Rochester Consistory and Damascus Temple Shrine. Survivors include his children, 4 grandsons and 2 great-grandchildren.

Knickerbocker, Frank

The Lord called Frank Home on April 22nd at the age of 44. He was a member of Fame Lodge No. 945 and is survived by his son, Corwin. Frank resided in the State of Washington at the time of his death.

Zarnstorff, Alvin R.

The Great Architect of the Universe claimed Alvin on April 23rd. He was a member of Etolian Lodge No. 479, Rochester Consistory, Damascus Temple Shrine and Lalla Rookh Grotto. Alvin is survived by his wife, Jeannette, son and mother.

Gladding, John R.

John was a member of Oatka Lodge No. 759 at the time of his passing on April 26th. He is survived by his wife, Virginia, children, 3 grandchildren and 1 great-granddaughter.

Johnson, Robert C.

The Lord took Robert into His Loving Arms on April 27th. Robert joined Etolian Lodge No. 479 50 years ago, and was a member of Rochester Consistory and Forest No. 133, Tall Cedars of Lebanon. He is survived by his wife, Janet, children, and 7 grandchildren.

May

Landuyt, John

Fame Lodge No. 945, Rochester Consistory and Damascus Temple Shrine all lost a member with the death of John on May 3rd at the age of 67. Survivors include his wife, Beverly, 2 daughters and a granddaughter.

Fearnley, Wallace E.

Wallace died peacefully at home on May 5th at the age of 93. He was a member of Towpath Lodge No. 163, Rochester Consistory and Damascus Temple Shrine. He is survived by his two daughters, grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

Pascucci, Joseph T.

Towpath Lodge No. 163 lost another member with the death of Joseph on May 7th. He was 75 years old and is survived by his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Bareham, Richard M.

May 9th was the date that Richard joined the Celestial Lodge Above. He was a member of Churchville Lodge No. 667, and is survived by his wife, Louise, children, 6 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

Kohl, Oscar E.

Oscar was 103 years old when he died on May 12th. He was a veteran of WWI, and a member of Craftsman/Robertson Lodge No. 969.

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

Burleigh, Edward H.

Edward was a member of Batavia Lodge No. 475 and died in March.

Marchak, Howard A.

Howard passed away April 13th at his home in Florida. He was a member of Craftsman/Robertson Lodge No. 969 and Rochester Consistory. □

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Something to be happy about: People who give more of themselves.

Warm hello's from our District. My, but time is flying. Soon the soft Summer breezes will be here, along with all the Summer activities. June 6th will find us at Charlotte Beach for our District Picnic and Walk-a-Thon. Bring your own picnic and join us for a day of fun and games.

Get in shape for the CRAZY SKI RACE. I will have sponsor sheets for the Matrons to give out to those of you who are walking for a child in need in Monroe District. Bring your families and friends. I will be at the Portside Shelter waiting for you.

June 1st is the last day you can make reservations for the Lilac Luncheon. Be sure to let your Chapter Secretary know if you are attending.

Sisters

Our Junior Past Deputy Grand Matron has been under the weather for a few weeks. Prayers and cards would be greatly appreciated. Get well soon, Mary.

Abig"Hello" to Rt. Wthy. Ann Gagon, who has moved back to

54 Willowdale Dr. Sometimes in our busy days we forget our Sister who cannot get to our meetings. I am sure a card or a phone call would brighten their day.

Speaking of Sisters, those at the Home in Oriskany could use stamps to send cards and letters to their friends and families. Would it be possible for us to send some funds or stamps for their use? If so, please send them to M. Wthy. Wanda V. Williams and she will make sure they get distributed. I am sure the Sisters will appreciate them.

Pilgrimage

The Pilgrimage to Oriskany is July 23rd and 24th. We are looking forward to seeing you all there. If you have any articles for the Bazaar in Oriskany, please pack them in boxes marked "Bazaar" and send to Brian Jordan, Eastern Star Home, 8290 State Route #69, PO Box S, Oriskany, NY 13424-0719, no later than July 7th. Also, if you are planning on donating an item to the Share Booth, the same information applies, except mark the box "Share Booth".

Help needed

The Annual Chicken Bar-B-Que is approaching. August 14th will once again find us in Webster for this event. A great time to get together and share Summer stories. Please feel free to call me and let me know if you can help with this day. We can use many hands to make the Peach Pies the day before and much help is needed in other areas. Home-made jam is needed, also.

On Sunday, the 15th, we will have the breakfast. Help is needed there, also. Let Wthy. Joy Woodley know if you can be there to help her and if you cannot help, then come on down and join us. The breakfast is always tasty and there is nothing better than having breakfast in the great outdoors. Bring the whole family with you, the more the merrier.

Official Visits

Fairport Chapter-June 1st-8:00 p.m.

Oatka Chapter-June 3rd-7:30 p.m.

Masonic Activities Looking Ahead

To make additions, call the Service Bureau at 473-4351
1999

- July 3-8 Shrine Convention - Dallas, TX
- Aug. 8 RAM 27th Dist. Picnic, Kuehne's
- Aug. 9 Deadline for the *Masonic Times*
- Aug. 20-21 Grand Council, Cryptic Masons
- Aug. 25 RAM 29th Dist. Picnic, Kiwanis Park, Batavia
- Sept. 17-19 Grand Commandery Conclave
- Oct. 11 Final Round Of Golf, Lakeside Hospital Benefit
- Oct. 15 Grand Lecturer's Convention
- Oct. 17 58th Interfaith Service & Breakfast, Logan's Party House
- Oct. 21 Symbolic Lodge Awards, Scottish Rite

Lodge Rentals Available

- Etolian Lodge, Union St., Spencerport - Cap. 250**
Tom Michielson - 352-4831
 - Fairport Lodge, 87 North Main St., Fairport**
Tom Richenderfer 377-7782, Greg Ludwig-388-1241, David Taber-388-0629
 - Fame Lodge, 4275 Culver Rd., Rochester**
John Rehback 338-7918
 - Northfield Lodge, 17 Church St., Pittsford - Cap. 80**
Dan Walker - 429-6572, Bill Spillane - 436-0264, John Dudley - 586-6426
 - Webster Lodge, 30 Orchard St., Webster - Cap. 200**
Frederick Cornell, Sr. 671-3102
- The *Masonic Times* will list your Lodge in this space if you desire to offer your facility for rent. Call: 9 - Noon 473-4351.

Tax Free Lodges Bill - We have it on good authority that this is not an Omnibus Bill and that it has the backing of Grand Lodge. You are, therefore, urged to give it your support by writing to your Representatives asking them to vote for it when it comes to the floor. ☺

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The position of Associate Editor and Ad Associate are still open. Excellent opportunity for recently retired individual/s. A new challenge to keep you young!

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- Mount Vernon 4d
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- Olive Branch 3d
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Valley of Rochester

Family Picnic

Saturday, July 17, 1999

Damascus Shrine Mosque
979 Bay Road, Webster

Scottish Rite Members and members of their **immediate household** are the guests of the Valley of Rochester.

Festivities & games
1:00 p.m.
Hots, Hamburgs, Salads
4:00 p.m.

Other family members welcome - \$4.00
Children under 12 - Free

Reservations a **must**
Deadline: July 9th
No phone reservations!



- June 4 - Spaghetti Dinner, Webster Ldg, 5-7 p.m. See Calendar.
- June 9 - Spaghetti Dinner, Clio Lodge. See Calendar.
- June 11 - Fish Fry, Hesperus Lodge Bergen.
- June 23 - Fish Fry, Triluminar Lodge, Pike.
- June 24 - Strawberry Festival, Northfield, Pittsford.
- June 26, 27 - Chicken Bar-B-Que, West Star, Varysburg.

Calendar June 1999

June Flower - Rose
June Gem - Pearl

Deadline for the September *Masonic Times*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<p>6 Hesperus - Olive Branch Dinner - 1:00 p.m. Open Installation - 2:00 p.m.</p>	<p>7 West Star - Varysburg KT - Cyrene/Monroe</p> <p>OES - Etolian, Irondequoit, Germania, LeRoy</p> <p>Shrine Lunch Club</p>	<p>8 Batavia Craftsman/Robertson-FC Fame - Irondequoit Monroe - Brockport Seneca - Webster Valley/Simes</p> <p>RAM - 3X3, Dansville, Wyoming</p> <p>OES - Leah</p>	<p>9 Churchville Oatka - Scottsville Triluminar - Pike</p> <p>Service Bureau Luncheon</p> <p>Clio - Hilton Spaghetti Supper</p> <p>OES - Batavia, Henrietta, Corinthian/Fellowship</p>	<p>10 Eagle Valley - Bliss Flower City</p> <p>RAM - Hiram</p> <p>KT - Batavia at Attica</p> <p>Lalla Rookh Caldron</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p>
<p>13 Flag Day June 14, 1999</p>	<p>14 ERAC - E. Rochester Etolian - Spencerport Fairport Flower City Mt. Vernon Union Star - Honeoye Falls Wakan/Hubbard - Penfield</p> <p>OES - Charlotte, Mary Jane Holmes</p> <p>Shrine Lunch Club</p>	<p>15 Craftsman/Robertson Clio - Hilton Oakland - Castile Towpath - E. Rochester Warsaw</p> <p>OES - Fairport, Nola, Perry, Webster</p>	<p>16 Attica Olive Branch - LeRoy</p> <p>Grotto - Henrietta Park</p> <p>RSM - Doric Council</p> <p>G/W Masonic & OES Picnic</p>	<p>17 Constellation - Perry Hesperus - Bergen Northfield - Pittsford Webster</p> <p>RAM - Western Star</p> <p>OES - Lea Court, Oatka</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19 St. John's Weekend Utica</p>
<p>20 St. John's Weekend Utica</p> <p>Father's Day</p>	<p>21 West Star - Varysburg</p> <p>OES - Etolian, Irondequoit, Germania, LeRoy</p> <p>Shrine Lunch Club</p> <p>First Day of Summer</p>	<p>22 Arcade Batavia Fame - Irondequoit Monroe - Brockport Valley/Simes</p> <p>OES - Leah</p>	<p>23 Churchville Oatka - Scottsville Triluminar Fish Fry- Pike</p> <p>Tall Cedars</p> <p>OES - Batavia, Corinthian/Fellowship</p>	<p>24 Eagle Valley - Bliss</p> <p>RAM - Hiram - Picnic Henrietta Park</p> <p>Northfield Strawberry Festival</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26 Chicken Bar-B-Que West Star Lodge</p>
<p>27 Chicken Bar-B-Que West Star</p> <p>G/W Purple Apron Club Dinner</p>	<p>28 ERAC - East Rochester Etolian - Spencerport Fairport Mt. Vernon Union Star - Honeoye Falls</p> <p>RSM - Nun-Da-Wa-Ga OES - Charlotte, Mary Jane Holmes</p> <p>Shrine Lunch Club</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>Have a Safe Summer</p> <p>Barb Don Jean Mat Vern</p> <p>and a Glorious 4th</p>	<p>1999 AUGUST 1999</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31</p>	