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## Local Masons Help Raise Funds for Brockport's Lakeside Foundation at their "Final Round of Golf"



Just minutes before their assault on the Twin Hills Course are: Bill Fredenberg, Ron Morthorst, Ron Decker (guest), Frank Murrer, Rich Brockmann, Don Brugger, Dick Topel, Tom Hueston, Don Darrohn, Bob Spencer and Larry Heinsler (guest). More in the Wakan/Hubbard Article, page 8. (Photos by Chuck Brugger)



Don Darrohn, Bob Spencer and Chuck Brugger (guest) on the intimidating 18th tee of the challenging Twin Hills Golf Course for the W/H - Lakeside "Final Round of Golf" on Columbus Day.

## A Question About Deadlines

By Don Brugger

### Question

In an article, in this issue, one of our Masters complained that our deadline is too early and asks, "why can't it be 7 to 10 days before the end of the month?"

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### Answer, ad nauseam

Deadline (*Masonic Times* definition): That time when copy to be published in the next issue is due.

The "Empire State Mason" is published quarterly thereby allocating three months for preparation. The ESM is a professionally edited magazine of usually 60-70 pages, (lots of white space) in color and costing thousands of dollars to publish.

The "Damascus News" (approx. 16 pgs.) is published monthly, is edited semi-professionally and allocates three weeks for preparation; also lots of white space.

The *Masonic Times* contains 20 to 24 pages of fairly dense text, is done "in house" and allocates, at present, 7 to 10 days for preparation.

If you look at the issues of the paper from, say seven years ago, you will see that today's *Masonic Times* has more features, more organizations contributing and more pictures. The cost to you the subscriber, however, has not increased, although the cost of printing, mailing and materials has gone up. So you are getting more bang for your buck than you used to. Taking these things into consideration, some have told me that the *Times* is doing a pretty good job of serving its subscribers; I tend to agree. That is not to say that it could not be better, there is always room for improvement and we will continue to do

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## Masonic Series No. IV

This is the 4th in a series of articles from "Whither Are We Traveling?", originally printed in 1962, written by Brother Dwight R. Smith, Past Grand Master and Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Indiana.

### The Closed Corporation

Question 4: Are we not worshipping at the altar of bigness?

One of the most serious trends in American Freemasonry is the development of the oversized, impersonal Lodge. Even though such a condition is utterly foreign to all the traditions of Freemasonry, little or nothing is being done to correct it. On the contrary, Lodges are encouraged and expected to become even larger. What the result will be, no one knows. It may require a crisis of the first order to bring us to our senses.

The entire philosophy of Freemasonry is built around the individual—the erection of a moral edifice within the heart of a man. All its symbolism is individual symbolism; all its tradition and practice is aimed at making individuals wiser, better, and consequently, happier. Mass movements simply have no place in Freemasonry, and never have had.

Then why do we worship at the altar of bigness? For one thing, we are Americans. We measure civilization in terms of automobiles, TV sets and bathtubs. We count the number of gadgets as shown in the census reports and assume that that means we are more civilized.

In the United States, the average membership of Masonic Lodges is about 252; in Canada's nine Jurisdictions, 166; in the seven of Australia, 117; in Puerto Rico, 92; in Scotland, 85; in England, 80; in Mexico, 70; and in Germany, 53.

Interestingly enough, the small Lodges overseas have little or no attendance problem. The Brethren receive a summons to attend their Lodge and they attend because it is worth attending, and because the membership is small enough that there is a congenial, closely knit unit—a community of interest, if you please. Certainly no one can accuse the overseas Lodges of not "doing things". In their benevolent work and in their impact on community life, they put us to shame.



## Chance of a Lifetime

By Vernon L. Goodrich

The Traveling Gavel just got better. Each time the Traveling Gavel is obtained by a Lodge, commencing November 1st, the Valley of Rochester, A.A.S.R., will make out a check in the amount of \$25.00 to the Brotherhood Fund. We will present the check to the Master at a Lodge meeting in honor of an Ambassa-

## R.W. William A. Baldwin, Past President of the Service Bureau and Prominent Mason Passes



R.W. William A. Baldwin died on September 21, 1999. He was raised in Frank L. Simes Lodge No. 990 (presently Valley/Simes Lodge No. 109) in 1978 and served as Master in 1987. He

was appointed Grand Master of Ceremonies in 1987. Brother Baldwin served as Vice President of the Monroe Masters and Wardens Association in 1987 and served as President of the Masonic Service Bureau of Rochester Inc. in 1994 and 1995. Since then he had served the Bureau on several Committees including Finance, Publications, and Nominating Committees and was for many years, Chairman of the Annual Widows Luncheon.

R.W. Baldwin was a member of the Scottish Rite, Finger Lakes Chapter of the Philaethes Society and the Shrine, where he served on the Divan.

Brother Baldwin was born in Ionia, New York and was educated in the Bloomfield Central School System graduating in 1961. He served in the U.S. Army from 1961 to August 1964. Bill was a member of the Bloomfield Savage Post No. 970, American Legion, where he served as Treasurer from 1975 to 1981. R.W. Baldwin was employed by Eastman Kodak Company and was at work when he suffered his fatal heart attack.

Brother Baldwin leaves his wife, Sharon, and son, Shawn, and his wife, Danyang Zaho.

In the 49 Jurisdictions of the United States average membership ranges from a high of 482 in the District of Columbia to a low of 115 in North Dakota. There is even a Lodge in Kansas with some 5,700 members. (I almost hesitate to mention the fact for fear some of our itchy Hoosier Brethren will set out to exceed that record of doubtful distinction.)

Only nine Jurisdictions have a higher average membership per Lodge than Indiana's 336. They are all in densely populated States. (It will give us grave concern, I am sure, to know we are tenth instead of at the top.)

Is all this talk just some curious notion the Grand Secretary has all by himself? Not at all. Some of the best minds in American Freemasonry are deeply concerned. Speaking of poor Lodge attendance, Past Grand Master Ralph J. Pollard, of Maine, observes: "This problem is probably inherent in our American system of large Lodges and relatively low dues. It is one of the prices we pay for bigness and cheapness...Probably the best long-range cure will be found in more

and smaller Lodges where more Brethren can be put to work and a warmer and more intimate fraternal spirit can develop".

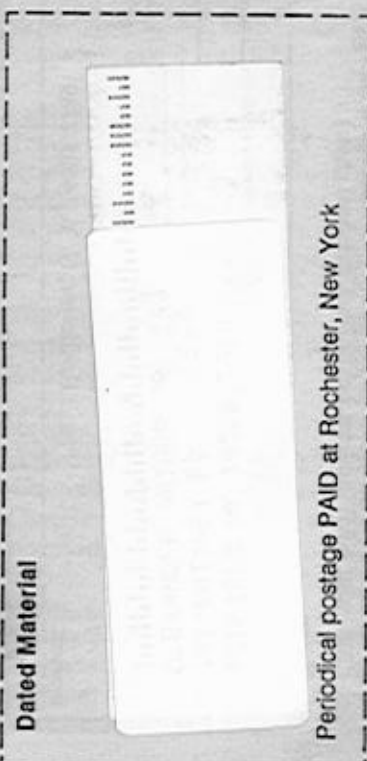
In a masterly address before the Conference of Grand Secretaries in North America in February, 1962, Dr. Thomas S. Roy, Past Grand Master of Massachusetts, observed, "If we permit our Lodges to increase in membership to a size inconsistent with a close fellowship, then we have created the conditions for non-attendance. The Grand Lodge of England is chartering new Lodges in England at the rate of

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Money Tips  
By Dave Larson

## New Feature

Look for it on page 3.



# Editor's Corner

By Don Brugger  
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## Communication?

I have heard through the grapevine that some are not happy about the elusive deadlines. Deadlines are not moved just to see if you are paying attention, but for valid reasons (Check "A Question about Deadlines" elsewhere in this issue). What I will say here, however, is if there is a complaint about anything that appears in this publication the person concerned should contact the Editor, me. This is a more effective means of communicating than just grousing about it in your column.

I have made what I think are reasonable suggestions for planning and writing your articles for the *Times*. The moving target deadline may be an inconvenience, I know, and if you are not paying attention, it may bite you. We must, however, take into consideration holidays, the lethargic behavior of the Postal Service and the availability of manpower. In fact one of our helpers will, unfortunately, not be with us for the December issue because of foot surgery. That has necessitated another early deadline in November for the December issue. Christmas and the increased load on the mail are also factors. So, if a complaint is necessary, talk to me, hey, I'm easy to talk to and maybe we both can learn something. Enough said.

## A beautiful day

On a happier note, the Lake-side Foundation's, "Final Round of Golf" is over. It was a wonderful October day, one that made you glad you were alive and able to enjoy the Great Architect's handiwork.

After the dust has settled, however, I think all our golfers should take a good look at this endeavor. It certainly is a painless opportunity for service to the community. Last year we were able to contribute 18 willing souls to the ranks; this year only 12. In fact, although 40 spots were open, only 21 were taken. This was the first year Wakan/Hubbard has opened up participation to the whole District (winners results in the W/H column). There is no reason why we Masons couldn't fill up all the spots and really make an impact. It certainly would not hurt our image.

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## Ongoing projects

Have you made your 1999 donation to the Masonic Service Bureau yet? If not, why not? We have many ongoing projects that need your support. Some examples are: the need for wheelchairs and other medical equipment for our Loan Closet; the Eagle Scout Program; in conjunction with the Lodges, and perhaps also Grand Lodge, assistance to Masons in need of relief; several projects at Camp DeMolay, including our new roofs, soil conservation, new cabin, porch, etc. Well, you get the idea. Your financial help is needed, as is your volunteer labor.

You can look at your Service Bureau with pride. I challenge you to find another Masonic Service Bureau in the whole United States that does more for the Masons and the Community, than your own Service Bureau here in Rochester, NY.

Why not check out our web page at <http://www.frontier.net/~rmasonsrb> or e-mail us at [rmasonsrb@juno.com](mailto:rmasonsrb@juno.com). You can also fax suggestions to (716) 262-5491.

You are the sculptors for today and tomorrow. The power of giving keeps on giving. □

## MSB Community Service

By Harold Bollotin

### Al Sigi Walkabout

This annual fun-filled event for the benefit of the Al Sigi Center will again be held on October 31st, from 9:30 a.m. to noon in Marketplace Mall.

Its purpose is to raise \$100,000 to help 43,000 adults and children with disabilities, and the seven agencies comprising the Al Sigi Center. Every dollar raised goes to the Center.

The Walkabout attracts a multitude of people, usually a thousand or more. It's a festive atmosphere created by musicians, entertainers, and mall merchants donating prizes and Halloween treats. Others provide free snacks.

### Masonic involvement

For the past number of years, the Staff of the Al Sigi Center has requested me to provide entertainers, which I have always done in the name of the Masonic Service Bureau and the Monroe District Masons in general. I have recruited some magicians and balloon sculptors. In addition, the Shrine Clowns will be joining us, as always. □

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## Your Legal Rights FYI

By Bro. Phillip Hurwitz, Esq.

### It happens!

Some of us can drive for a generation before we will see one. It happens to the best of us; a speeding ticket.

When you get pulled over, you are technically in custody. That means anything you say can be used against you. The inclination is to apologize to the officer for speeding. Don't. It's an admission that can be used against you. Even for a traffic ticket, the constitutional protections against self-incrimination still apply. The prudent thing to do is just produce your license, registration and insurance card. Don't be tricked otherwise.

OK. The officer issues you a speeding ticket and sends you on your way. Let's say the officer's estimate of your speed doesn't jive with how fast you think you were going. On the ticket itself is an option. You can plead not guilty and request a supporting deposition. The supporting deposition is an affidavit by the officer relating what it is you did. It provides more factual detail than what is found on the ticket.

If the ticket provides for it, you can enter a not guilty plea and request the supporting deposition by mail. Send the ticket back to the court within 48 hours of receiving it. Mailing the ticket back to the court by certified mail, return receipt requested, is a prudent thing to do. It will serve as proof should the ticket never make it back to the court.

After notifying the court of your decision, you will be notified by mail of your trial date. The trial itself will be brief and before the judge. No jury.

If the judge finds you not guilty, then that's the end of the matter. Go home. It's a good thing.

If the judge finds you guilty, then you will have to pay a fine and mandatory surcharge. How much the fine will be depends on how fast over the speed limit the judge finds you guilty of. A simple breakdown follows. I have listed the allowable penalty range; minimum and maximum fine for that range; and the number of points assessed on your license by the Department of Motor Vehicles:

- 1-10 mph over the limit \$30-\$100 3 points
- 11-30 mph over the limit \$60-\$200 4-6 points
- Over 30 mph over the limit \$120-400 8-11 points

In addition to the above fines, you also have to pay a mandatory surcharge of anywhere between \$25 to \$50; depending on the number of tickets you are convicted on. In no event can this surcharge exceed \$50. As an alternative, the judge can impose jail time of up to 30 days, including fine, if your speed exceeded the speed limit by 11 mph or more.

Every conviction of a moving traffic violation results in a point assessment against your license. If you accumulate 11 points within an 18 month period (based on the violation dates), then you will be notified to attend a DMV hearing, after which your license could be suspended or revoked. Three or more speeding tickets within 18 months (regardless of points) will result in an automatic license revocation for at least 6 months. The difference between a suspension and revocation is significant. At the end of a suspension period, your driving privileges are automatically restored (assuming all fines are paid). At the end of revocation period, you must apply for restoration of your driving privileges. If approved, then you have to take the written and driving test over again. □

"The surest way to be late is to have plenty of time."  
Leo Kennedy □

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## Circulation Policy Monroe Masonic Library

### Circulation Period

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Returns  
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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.

Equip. Type	On loan
Bathtub equip.	88
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Canes	90
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Wheelchairs	112
Miscellaneous	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>751</b>

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## Money Tips

By Dave Larson

It's not too early to begin thinking about year-end tax and financial planning issues. In this article, I'd like to point out a few ideas that might save you some money, if you take action before the year 2000.

1. Review your personal portfolio (not your IRA) and clean up losing positions. If you have a loser or two, take a serious look at the prospects for the stock and decide whether there are better opportunities in other companies. Look to offset any gains you've taken (or would like to take) with a capital loss in an investment that hasn't worked out. For example, you might sell Compaq and buy Dell or sell Sears and buy Dayton Hudson. Up to \$3,000 in capital losses per year can be deducted from income for tax purposes, so Uncle Sam can help ease the pain of a loss, but be careful of the wash sale rules if you intend to buy back the same stock.

2. If you are inclined to make charitable contributions before year-end in order to take an income tax deduction, consider giving appreciated stock or mutual fund shares rather than cash. You will avoid a potential capital gain and get the full current market value as a tax deduction. Please see the article on the Scottish Rite page for more information.

3. If you are over 70 1/2, make sure you take your minimum required distribution from your IRA or other tax-deferred retirement accounts by year-end. If you turned 70 1/2 in 1999, you have until April 1, 2000 to withdraw your first distribution. IRA distributions can be very complicated, so please consult with an advisor who knows the rules and ramifications associated with this issue prior to any first time distribution. Failure to take the required distribution carries a severe financial penalty.


4. Review your overall portfolio and asset allocation strategy. If certain mutual funds have not performed well, consider a swap. Or if your exposure to the stock market has grown to a point where you are uncomfortable with the potential risk, reallocate to a less risky fund. Be careful, however, of the tax consequences of any mutual fund sales and purchases at this time of year. Before you buy a mutual fund, find out when and how much of a capital gain the fund expects to pay before year-end. You don't want to buy a fund that will sock you with a capital gains tax right away.

5. Make sure you take full advantage of contributing to your company's retirement plan. If you think you can contribute more, you may be able to increase your payroll withholding for the rest of the year. You have until April 15th, however, to contribute to a Roth or traditional IRA.

6. If you plan on gifting securities to either your children or a charity, the transfer must be completed by December 31st, so give your brokerage firm plenty of time to carry out your instructions. Also, by year-end, Educational IRAs must be funded and Roth IRA conversions completed.

Preparation and planning are keys to making your year-end financial decisions go smoothly. Perhaps one of these tips will save you from frustration and save you

money. Be proactive with your financial planner and think through your decisions while you still have some time left in this tax year. □



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### Admission Counselors...Assisting Their Brethren

On Friday, September 24th, 13 dedicated Masons, from across the Jurisdiction, took time out of their personal schedules to attend the Admissions Counselor Training Session for the Masonic Home. They expressed their desire to learn about the Masonic Home so they can assist the Brethren of their Lodge and District should they ever need long term care or other specialty services.

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 this project, presented a campus overview and also served as the Master of Ceremonies. The history and goals of the Admissions Counselor Program was given by William J. Luley, Executive Director of the Masonic Home. Keith W. Heinrich, Associate Executive Director, presented an overview and led the tour of the entire campus. Nancy Herringshaw, Director of Wiley Hall and Alice Demma, Director of Acacia Village, explained the services provided within their areas and led the tours of their facilities.

On Saturday morning, the admissions counselors and staff gathered for breakfast in Fellowship Hall. This gave the counselors a second opportunity to break bread, visit and share ideas with each other. Following breakfast, all participants met in the Auditorium in the Administration Building where the Training Sessions were held. Presentations were given by Sharon VanKuren, Director of Social Services, Marilu Pacific, Admission 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 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.

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.

If you are in need of information regarding the Masonic Home, please contact any of our newest Admissions Counselors: Alan Lewis, Delmar; Leonard Gordon, Barker; Glenn Cropsey, Delmar; Rene S. Gramonte, Peekskill; Clarence Eckhoff, Sackets Harbor; Tracy Stanton, Allegany; Terry Wilcox, Clayton; James Rose, Broadalbin; Robert Eilers, Jay; Arthur Ware, Delmar; Peter Dansen, Diamond Point; Louis Denato, Sr., Utica; and Stephen Booth, Antwerp. (Editor's note: It would be nice if we had a counselor from the Monroe District area).

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...join our Admissions Counselors' Team, by contacting W. Daniel Clark at 1-800-322-8826, Extension 4923. The Masonic Home provides meals and overnight accommodations.

Our next Training Session will be held in the Spring. □



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Acacia Village is proud to welcome its newest residents. Ann Guarini moved here from her nearby home in July. During her working career, Ann worked as a legal secretary for attorneys in Utica, then accepted a position in the legal department of General Electric where she remained for 22 years. Ann and her friends traveled to Europe every other year, and frequently visited New York City to shop and attend the theater. Ann loves to play pinocle, is a voracious reader and enjoys music. She continues to travel whenever she can and hopes to go on many Acacia Village's planned trips.

Robert O. Williams moved to Acacia in August. Robert retired from a long career with the US Army, and was a printer by trade. Robert is a member of the 2nd Oneida District, Oriental/Faxton Lodge No. 224, and spends much of his time as a volunteer at the Utica Branch of the Robert R. Livingston Library and Museum on the Masonic Home Campus, assisting Charlie Haskin.

Rose and Charles Grant joined the Acacia Village 'family' on September 1st from Eastchester, NY. Charles held many positions in the Masonic community among them Grand Master of the Grand Council Cryptic Masons of the State of New York and Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of the State of New York. He owned his own materials handling business, but always had time to be a prankster and joker. Rose is a member of the Eastern Star, having held the position of District Deputy Grand Matron. She loves to work with her hands...embroidery, ceramics, piano playing, etc., and has a beautiful singing voice.

Our newest family member is Lucille Colby, who moved here from Avon Park, Florida, where she and her husband lived since 1984. After his death, she decided to return to Upstate New York since both her sons and her sister still live here. Prior to her retirement, she was a nurse. In addition to being an avid bridge player, Lucille plans to make full use of the swimming pool, sauna and Jacuzzi at Acacia Village.

To receive information or to arrange for a tour, please contact Cindy Dardano, Retirement Counselor at 800-593-3353 or 315-798-4923 or dardanoc@masonichomeny.org. □



**VAMC**  
Canandaigua, NY  
Harold Bolloin, Reporter

#### Schedule

The first ward visit was on Sunday, October 10th. The second will be on Sunday, November 14th and is designated New York Masons Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Day.

#### Holiday highlights

The Annual Gift Wrap session will be on Tuesday, December 14th in the Building 5 Auditorium at 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 19th is the Annual Gift Distribution beginning in the Building 5 Auditorium at 12:30 p.m. This has always been a festive and rewarding occasion. Many veteran, civic, fraternal, and social groups usually participate. Parking for events is conveniently located directly across the road from the Building 5 Auditorium.

#### Participation

If anyone would like to join us for any of the above events, or needs information, call Tom Paglia at 227-2046.

#### Other event

On Saturday morning, October 3rd, a Veterans for the Veteran's Rally to continue support for the VA Health System and continue the fight for our living veterans, was held at the Canandaigua VAMC Auditorium. Their efforts will most likely be unsuccessful. □



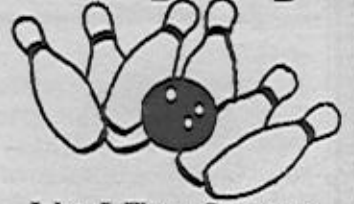
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## Masonic Gothic Bowling League



John J. Flynn, Secretary  
227-6106

By John J. Flynn, Secretary

The 1998-1999 bowling season is a month old already. This season the league has six teams and bowls on Wednesdays at 8:45 p.m. If you are interested in substitute bowling, stop by some Wednesday because we usually have spots available.

After a slow start with no 600 series the first two weeks, league bowlers have rolled 9 600 series in the past three weeks. 600 series were rolled by Rick Flanagan-695 (259, 269), 663 (248, 259) and 601 (237), John Flynn-691 (246, 233), Don Weis-667 (227, 235) and 610 (223), Ken Masi-635 (238), Jeremy Fromm-601 and Mike Metheny-600 (234).

Harold Reynolds rolled a 254 game the first game of the season and earned a Senior Award Patch for a game 86 pins over his average.

Other notable games were rolled by Dave Mawhiney-247, John Flynn-237, Bob Eckman-232, Scott Weis-230, Chris Masi-224, Bill Rubert-223, Rob Goodyear-223, Mike Metheny-222, Ken Masi-222, Craig Russell-212, and Scott Kozlowski-200. □

## Poetry Niche

### Eldorado

Gayly bedight,  
A gallant knight,  
In sunshine and in shadow,  
Had journeyed long,  
Singing a song,  
In search of Eldorado.

But he grew old--  
This knight so bold--  
And o'er his heart a shadow  
Fell as he found  
No spot of ground  
That looked like Eldorado.

And, as his strength  
Failed him at length,  
He met a pilgrim shadow--  
"Shadow", said he,  
"Where can it be--  
This land of Eldorado?"

"Over the Mountains  
Of the Moon,  
Down the Valley of the Shadow,  
Ride, Boldly ride",  
The shade replied,--  
"If you seek for Eldorado."  
Edgar Allan Poe □

## District Deputy Grand Master

Genesee/Wyoming  
District



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

The Lodges are beginning to have Degree work. Let's get out and support our Brothers.

### Visitation Day

New York State Masons will observe November 7th as Veteran Hospital Visitation Day. The District will meet at 2:00 p.m. at the VA Hospital in Batavia to distribute gifts. Let's show the veterans that we care and have not forgotten them.

### Get those articles in!

Again this month I received a call from the Editor of the *Masonic Times* telling me that six Lodges have not sent in an article. Where can you get better free advertising for your up and coming events? Please keep the Editor from having to call me by submitting your articles.

### Looking ahead

The tentative date for our meeting on the New York trip will be November 12th at the Attica Hotel with dinner at 6:30 p.m. Make sure at least one person from your Lodge attends. The ladies are also invited so that they can plan their activities. A letter will be sent out.

"Don't be afraid to go out on a limb, that's where the fruit is."  
Author unknown  
God Bless you. □

## Genesee/Wyoming Council of Masonic Activities



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

By W.. George Springett  
Meeting date

Our next Council meeting will be January 16, 2000.

### Travels

Your President, W.. Joseph Chimino, Master of Hesperus

Lodge, W.. John C. Cooper and myself have traveled to the Masters and Wardens Association of the Niagara/Orleans and Livingston Districts with the express purpose to find ways for the improvement of the operation of our Council. We reported our findings to the Council at our October 1st Council communication, indicating many areas where changes will greatly enhance the Council and the G/W District overall.

We present the suggestions here for your information and review and await your comments: A. The Council needs to change its agenda to include:

1. Roll call of each Lodge for attendance and inner count.
2. Have all Umbrella Chairmen make a report.
3. Call the roll of Lodges for report on trestleboards.
4. Have improved or increased District social activities such as: District Dinner Dance, George Washington Birthday Party, and Costume Halloween Party.
- B. Increase the leadership dynamics of the DDGM Umbrella Chairmen.
- C. Apply the dress code of a Lodge meeting.
- D. Hold the meetings within the Lodge room.
- E. Have monthly meetings.
- F. Change the location of the meeting place for each of the meetings using every Lodge within the District.
- G. Have monthly meetings on a week night, preceded by a dinner.

As a result of this study, we institute one change immediately, which was that the attendance should be taken by a roll call of the Lodges of the District and including the representation from all Concordant Bodies associated with the District. This provided some fruitful information about the Masons who were present and indicated that the Council must make an attempt to increase participation in the Council through invitation of the top leadership of the Concordant Bodies of the District.

Another result was the presentation of the following proposal by the quorum is to increase the number of meetings to three for the year 2000, four for the year 2001, six for the year 2002, and ten for the year 2003 to be held on an alternating basis with the ladies of the attendees starting with the next meeting after the January 16, 2000 meeting. Each Lodge within the District to be the host for the meetings. The dinner meetings will be prepaid reservations with a seven day advance notice to the host Lodge. All dinner meetings will be scheduled for a Friday evening.

Some of the further discussion included adhering to the dress code of Masons when meeting in their Lodges, group participation in sponsorship in Camp Turk, etc., having reports given by all Umbrella Chairmen appointed by the District Deputy, holding each meeting within the Lodge

room, and having special programs for the ladies when they are attending.

In consideration of the changes that have been discussed and proposed concerning operation of the Council, it is our concern that you be made aware of these changes. These issues cannot be properly discussed and resolved without your aid and assistance because they effect you and your Masonic organizations. We urge that you plan to have a representative of your Lodge or Concordant Body present at the next Council meeting. □

**HESPERUS**  
Lodge No. 837

W.. John C.  
Cooper  
Master  
494-1559

**1st and 3rd  
Thursday**

W.. John Specht,  
Secretary 548-2694

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

### Sickness and distress

R.. W.. John Bater continues to have his ups and downs, so when you get a chance give him a call or stop by and see him.

R.. W.. Ruel Lovett is having a tough time of it and we would like to keep him in our prayers. Brother Gilbert Ernst is recuperating if Jean can keep him slowed down some (he always seems to be doing something).

W.. Ted Paine will be going in the hospital and we pray that everything works out as planned.

Brother Ray Hart is home and would appreciate visitors.

### Old news

At Brother Bring-a-Friend Night, Garry Hutcherson and Marty Krause prepared a very delicious dinner. It was a shame that only two out of the fourteen that were invited could attend. We will be having more of these nights with Joe Chimino chairing the Committee. If you have names that you think should be on the list, contact him or me.

### Masonic Activities

The Council of Masonic Activities for the G/W District met on October 1st to discuss the combining of the Council with the Masters and Wardens Association. There was a lot of information given at the meeting and it would have been great if every Lodge had been represented. The matter of merging these two organizations will be on the agenda for the Council meeting on January 16th.

The members of Hesperus should be proud of the participation from our Lodge because the President (Joe Chimino) and the Secretary (George Springett) are from our Lodge (and I am the Candy Chairman). The Council of Masonic Activities is not just for a select few. It is for everyone and I think that you would enjoy the fellowship and the information that goes on during the meeting. If you would like to ride along, just give Joe Chimino (494-2422) or me (494-1559) a call.

### Symbolic Lodge Award

On Thursday, October 21st, W.. John Specht received the Symbolic Lodge Award from the Valley of Rochester, A.A.S.R. He works very hard for us and I was pleased to be the Master when he received this Award.

October 22nd was the Grand Lecturer's Convention at Constellation Lodge in Perry. As of this writing, it is too soon to tell if Hesperus Lodge received the Potts Award.

### Changes

The dates of the Degrees have all changed so stay tuned for the new dates.

### Party time

The 20/20 Party is coming up soon. If you have not received your tickets call Marty Krause at 494-2147 or Harry Tyson at 494-1137. The Party will be at the South Byron Recreation Hall on Rte. 237, South Byron on Saturday, November 27th. Food, beverages, dancing, etc. from 8:00 p.m. - midnight. There is a limited amount of tickets available for \$20.00 each and they allow a couple to attend.

### Where is Mollie?

Mollie, Mollie, has anyone seen Mollie? Oh, she still resides at Hesperus Lodge. Mollie is the Traveling Trophy for the G/W District. Come and get her! □

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

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### Official Visit

As noted in the article of the previous month, we convened the Official Visit of the DDGM at our first communication in October. The Message of the Grand Master was presented. If you were not there you can read it in the recent copy of the "Empire State Mason".

### Items of importance

In an effort to make the articles which are published each month more interesting, I am looking for specific events which may have occurred during your years as members of Batavia Lodge. Maybe it is something that happened when receiving your Degrees or your participation in the conferral of the Degrees. How about an event which took place out of the Lodge room, such as a visit to Canada or their reciprocal visits to Batavia. A lot of us do not even know that these events take place. In any event, if you have something that you think would be of interest to the rest of the Brethren, please let the Secretary or me know and we will share the same with all who read this publication.

With the popularity of the home computer being a fact these days and most of those who have them also have access to the internet, the Secretary would like to know your e-mail address. We will publish it for the benefit of all who have access to this medium. We can never stress the need for communication at all times and in any manner possible. This medium offers one more means of accomplishing that.

### Sadness

We have been informed of the passing of one of our Brothers, Robert R. Duncan, of Gowanda. He passed on to the Eternal East on February 8th. We extend our

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condolences to his family and friends. A memorial contribution from the Lodge has been made to the Brotherhood Fund in his memory.

I do not know of any other Brother who is presently ill or in need of our aid or sympathy. If you know of anyone in need of our help, please let us know.

### Directories

I have a few copies of the G/W Directories available. If you would like a copy, please let me know.

Until next time, God Bless and keep us all. □

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

W.. Clifford L.  
Drual, Sr.  
495-6506

1st and 3rd  
Tuesdays

W.. Allen L. Capwell  
Secretary 786-8989

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

### Join us for a good time!

We've had three meetings already. Time flies when you are having fun and I have been told by the Brothers attending Lodge that they are having fun! The only problem, as I see it, is that I am not being told by enough Brothers that they are having a good time at Lodge. The only way you will be able to tell me is to attend Lodge meetings. Come and join us for a good time this year.

### October happenings

On October 4th Brother Don Ayers and I attended the Masonic Activities Council Meeting in Attica. Many things were discussed and I won't explain them here as I am sure the Council Secretary will want that honor. We did bring the forms to order our candy bars for the yearly Candy Bar Sale.

Seven Brothers were the guests of the Eastern Star for the Annual Master Mason Night. For any of the ladies who might be reading this, I took all of my pills as soon as I got home! I have been told that I must have missed one because I can't remember why I took them. Ladies, all the Brothers and I had a wonderful time.

Monday, October 5th, was our Official Visit. We had a great meal served by the Eastern Star. I know I thanked them Monday night, but that didn't seem enough. So I am saying thank you again to the ladies of the Eastern Star for a meal to be remembered. There were 19 Brothers present for the Official Visit.

### Breakfast

We will be having a breakfast on the 3rd Sunday of every month until June from 7:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Brothers, come and help to make our breakfast adventures resounding successes. We will be having a Fish Fry on November 12th. My Brothers, we need your help to make this adventure a success, also.

There are still many Brothers whom I have not met. The best way to meet me is by coming to Lodge on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 8:00 p.m. Call me at 495-6506 or write me at PO Box 75, 63 S Academy St, Wyoming, NY, 14591. Feel free to stop by and visit me at my home. If my truck is in the driveway, I'm usually home. □

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2nd Tues. Jan. & Feb  
David Hossenlopp,  
Secretary 496-7267  
Main Street  
Arcade, New York 14009

**Great honor**  
It was my pleasure to honor several members of Arcade Lodge at a recent meeting. The District Deputy and the Staff Officer were present for their Official Visits at this open meeting of the Lodge. The sidelines were packed as W. Robert Waters was recognized for 55 years of service; Brother Walter Howell and Brother Gerald Schaefer for 50 years each and Brother Kenneth Bray for 45 years. Each received a Certificate and Pin. Thanks to R. W. Raymond Barber and R. W. Dennis Turton for assisting me with the presentations and for their messages to the Lodge.

**Look around!**  
I hope every Brother has been able to help us with our Fall fundraising. I would ask each of you to look around the house and garage for items we could sell at a lawn type sale. Only saleable items, please.  
All Brothers are urged to attend as many meetings as you can. How nice it is to see someone who hasn't been able to attend for one reason or another and renew and maintain friendships.

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



R. W. Robert Nicoll  
Master  
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1st & 3rd  
Wed.  
W. Robert Forbes, Secretary  
768-2657  
8 West Main Street  
LeRoy, N. Y. 14482

We are back at "work" in our Masonic planning for the year.  
**Sale of real estate**  
The Realtor who wants to buy the entire North West Corner of LeRoy (Routes 19 and 5) called me last week and said the project is on hold for two months. Today, as I write this, in the Rochester "Democrat and Chronicle", it was announced that a project in the Norton Street area in Rochester is completed and the area buildings will be demolished and a 10,000 square foot store will be built. I'll be sending a questionnaire to every member of Olive Branch Lodge for your opinions and suggestions. To save postage, the questionnaire will be mailed with your dues notice.  
**Charity**  
The D & R Restaurant at 63 Lake Street (Rte. 19), LeRoy, has initiated a Charity Plan. Each time a person dines at the Depot, they have an opportunity to designate to their favorite charity or non-profit organization an amount equal to 5% of their guest check total. The Masonic Brother-

hood Fund is a listed charity at the restaurant. Another way to enjoy a great meal and help the Brotherhood Fund.


**A new look**  
Brother Clayton Dimick has scraped, sanded, cleaned and painted the front doors of our building. The color is a deep red that matches and compliments the brick, an exceptionally fine job. Thank you!

**New members**  
On Tuesday, October 5th, Shirley Church, Matron of Perry Chapter, OES, held an initiation of six new members. This is a total of 13 new members this year. Congratulations to Shirley and the Perry OES for an excellent leadership example. Shirley did it! Now we must do it!!! There are many young men and women interested in finding the integrity of Masonry and Eastern Star. We must contact them!

**Thanksgiving Dinner**  
We are again planning a free Thanksgiving Dinner. The dinner is for those people who would be alone on this day. As in the past, we will be soliciting food stuffs. It is so gratifying helping people on Thanksgiving Day who would otherwise be alone. It does make for a special family day.

**ID Program**  
The area nursery schools have indicated that they have many new students and would like the Child ID Program again this year. Remember...Blue Lodge recruits men and makes Masons. □

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




W. Dennis G. Parmeter,  
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1st & 3rd  
Mondays  
R. W. Kenneth E. Kohlhaugen,  
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2473 Route 20A  
Varysburg, N.Y. 14167

**Pumpkin Contest!**  
Thanks to all the participants and helpers at West Star's Pumpkin Contest on October 9, 1999. Special thanks go out to Amy Cramer and Cheryl Stringham for acting as tabulators and judges. Seventeen giant pumpkins and 9 carved pumpkins were entered in the contest. First prize for the biggest pumpkin went to Cassie and Julia Chojanachi, second to Damen VanElk, and third to Emily Stringham. All other entries received Blue Ribbons.  
Because all the carved pumpkins were creative and original, all entries received a Blue Ribbon. Congratulations to Uncle Mel in his Blue Ribbon entries.

**All welcome**  
Reminders were sent out to the respective officers for the Grand Lecturer's Convention. I hope all can attend.  
**Honoring our widows**  
On December 6th, West Star will hold an open meeting honoring our widows. There will be a Pin Presentation with refreshments following.

**Christmas Party**  
On December 12th, at 2:00 p.m., the Children's Christmas Party will be held at the Lodge. Santa will be making an appearance around 2:30 p.m.  
I wish all the hunters much success during deer season. □

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



Main Street  
Pike, N. Y. 14130  
R. W. Keith A. Granger  
Master  
493-2908  
2nd and 4th  
Wednesdays  
W. Richard Anderson, Sec.  
493-2203

I hope you are all in good health. I am looking forward to a great year for our Lodge. My goal is to have at least two new candidates this year. I would also like to see more of you out to Lodge. Your input is of great value to us as we have many projects to organize.

**The floor**  
I have talked to Brother Andrew and he is going to start working on the floor when the weather is bad. There may be a little cosmetic problem for a while, but I think we need to get working on this now so we do not have a bigger problem down the road.

**Leaf pick-up**  
There will be a leaf pick-up in the Village on November 4th. If you have a few minutes to rake the leaves at the Lodge, come on out and help. Thank you.

**Turkey Party**  
This Party is set for November 12th so get your tickets sold. Mark your calendars, we need your help!

**Basketball Tournament**  
The Letchworth Masonic Basketball Tournament is looking good. This will be held on November 26th and 27th. Every athlete will receive a tee shirt with the sponsor on it. I thank Arcade Chapter for the \$200 donation and their Chapter name will be added to the shirts. I also recognize Triluminar, Oakland, and Eagle Valley Lodges for their \$200 donations. We are looking for one more sponsor. This is a great way to become exposed to the public. □

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



R. W. Jerald A. Brade  
Master  
344-1808  
1st and 3rd  
Wednesday  
(Jan-Feb-Mar  
3rd Wed Only)  
W. Norman Steinbaugh,  
Secretary 591-2073  
39 Main Street  
Attica, N. Y. 14011

By W. Norman Steinbaugh  
**Temple work**  
In keeping with the Attica Village revitalization we are in the process of doing some much needed repairs to the Temple building. New energy efficient front windows, rear exit doors, insulation and siding are being installed. These improvements will help the Temple aesthetics and more importantly reduce utility costs. As we know, work in the Temple is never finished.

**Pancake Breakfast**  
Our October 3rd Breakfast was well attended and everyone enjoyed Chuck's famous pancakes. The next one is 8:00 a.m. -

1 p.m. on November 7th. Volunteers are gladly accepted or just come and eat pancakes. Either way, your support will be greatly appreciated.


**Official Visit**  
DDGM, R. W. Raymond Barber's Official Visit to Attica Lodge will be November 17th. He will be inspecting the Lodge and presenting the Grand Master's Message. Without a doubt he will be accompanied by R. W. Dennis Turton, Sr. Plan to attend.

**Brotherhood Fund**  
Brother Paul McCullough is Attica Lodge Brotherhood Fund Chairman this year and has set an ambitious goal for a record year. We don't know what he has in mind, but of course if everyone just donates one dollar each, it will be 100% participation.

**Petitions**  
Last, but certainly not least, we have received several petitions and plans are being made for a Fall class. It would be nice to have a large class, so turn in those petitions that you have been waiting on. Brush up on the Ritual and let us know if you have a favorite part that you would like to do. □

**CONSTELLATION Lodge No. 404**

21 N. Main Street,  
Perry, NY 14530



W. Dale Cooley  
Master  
237-2627  
1st & 3rd  
Thursdays  
R. W. Charles H. Myers,  
Secretary 237-5990

**District Convention**  
The Grand Lecturer, R. W. Edward G. Gilbert, made his debut at Constellation Lodge No. 404 in Perry, NY, on October 22nd. Dinner was served to a large group of enthusiastic Masons at 6:30 p.m. The conventioners assembled in the Lodge room for the Grand Lecturer's Program after the dinner, prepared by members of Perry Chapter OES. From the large turnout, it was evident that the Potts Award has proven to be an additional incentive to attend this very instructional program.


**Confusion in the Craft**  
More than several local Masons have voiced concern about the double mailing of Brotherhood Fund solicitations. One mailing was sent from Grand Lodge and one mailing was sent by Kenneth S. Sherman, Chairman of Constellation Lodge's Brotherhood Fund's 1999 solicitations. Constellation Lodge's support goes to Chairman Kenneth S. Sherman. Is not this duplication a waste of money which could be spent for the more noble cause? The franking cost alone must be tremendous. Of equal

concern is the message Grand Lodge is sending out about its apparent grasp of the situation.

**Case of the advancing deadline**  
Those of us who have in the past written the monthly article for the *Masonic Times* are aware of the difficulties in a timely publication. This issue's deadline is October 8th. The contributor must write about events which have not yet taken place. The Editor must do the best he can to publish on a timely basis with the resources he has available. Is it not time to allocate the needed funds to promote a deadline not so far removed from the month's end? Economically, it is cheaper to disperse local Masonic information to Constellation Lodge's members via the *Masonic Times* than it would be to mail individual letters. How more costly would it be to have a deadline for publication seven to ten days before the end of the month?

**Brotherhood Fund**  
Currently in the mail is a solicitation for a contribution sent out by Constellation Lodge's Brotherhood Fund 1999 Campaign Chairman, Kenneth S. Sherman. Please do your best to contribute to this worthy cause. Mail your contribution to Chairman Sherman in the envelope provided. □

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



W. Thomas Scott  
Master  
493-2123  
1st and 3rd  
Tuesdays  
(Jan/Feb/Mar:  
1st Tues only)  
W. Richard L. Smith, Secretary  
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Castile, N.Y. 14427

**Apology**  
My apologies to all of the Brothers; I know this is the first communication I have written in the *Masonic Times* this year, but as some of you may or may not know, I have a lot more important things going on in my life. Without going into detail, things are a bit hectic right now. I do promise that I will try to be a good Master and keep you informed of all important communications.

**Remembrance**  
I am very saddened to announce the passing of W. Jack Outermous on September 21st. He has been an honored member of Oakland Lodge since April 17, 1962. I know first hand that W. Jack constantly exemplified the teachings of the Fraternity. Even though he was unable to attend regular meetings during his lengthy illness, I'm sure he thought of us often. I would like to thank his family and his friends who sent memorials in his name to the Lodge. W. Jack will have  
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## Oakland Lodge

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a special place in my heart. I had the privilege to have known him all my life and he was one of the deciding factors in my becoming a Mason.

### Don't be negative!

I recently received a nasty and negative letter pertaining to my missing the last issue of the *Masonic Times*. The letter writer did not take the time to find out why before he sent the letter. I have it on good authority that I was not the only one to receive a letter like this. My family and I were highly offended and hurt by this. Maybe it's because of things like this that we have less participation in the District.

### Important date

November 2nd is an important date for Oakland Lodge No. 379. The meeting will entail the following:

1. The future of the Masonic Temple.
2. Our financial status.
3. Our present status.
4. A gameplan for the above.

I encourage all members who are able and who may have suggestions to attend. I have been a member of Oakland Lodge for 11 years and I am very proud of being one. I can tell you we need many active members to attend this meeting. If you are unable to attend due to transportation problems or busy schedules, please let me know that you still think of us and any ideas on helping our Lodge to become a more prosperous one would be appreciated.

### Help

After reading this communication, I hope you all understand that I am not trying to be negative. I am just asking, as Master of our Lodge, for your help and ideas. I have a saying, "A football team is only as good as the quarterback". Well, I'm the quarterback and I only have five or six players. Let's regroup and make this a full team effort.

Talk to you next month. □

## Rochester Forest

No. 133  
Tall Cedars  
of Lebanon

4th Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.  
1822 Penfield Road  
Penfield, New York 14526

Thomas Hueston  
Grand Tall Cedar  
thueston@AOL.com



Where does the time go? With a turn of the calendar we find ourselves heading towards the cold season again. Soon all the leaves will be raked and our snowbirds will be leaving for the season. We will be thinking of you.

### Golf

It was my pleasure to represent the Forest in the Lakeside Foundation Final Round of Golf. This was set up by Brother Don Brugger for our Brothers at Wakan/Hubbard. Somehow Don always manages to have good weather for this event.

### Meetings

The November meeting will be on Wednesday, November 17th. This is a change because of the Holiday.

Our Annual Christmas Party will be Friday, December 17th, at Keenans. This year we will have a private room. □

## District Deputy Grand Master

Monroe District



R.W. Donald Darrohn  
225-1782

### Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving should give all of us the opportunity to pause and reflect. There is so much that we tend to take for granted. The simple fact that we are able to celebrate such a day and enjoy the freedoms we have in our nation are quite unique. We owe so much to our forefathers and Brethren of old. I wonder at times how different our country would be without the beneficent influence of Freemasonry. Perhaps as we gather for that festive event we might include a word or remembrance of those who gave us so much.

### Veterans

Thursday, November 11, 1999, just another day, right? No, it is not! It is Veterans Day. Just as we celebrate Thanksgiving for all the bounty we have been blessed with, so should we always take time to demonstrate our respect for those who made the ultimate sacrifice. Nor should we forget the men and women who have served in our country's armed forces either in peace or war. Thank you, Veterans!

### New twist

The Traveling Gavel was established over a quarter century ago to encourage fellowship among the Lodges. Joseph Fort Newton published many books and bulletins about the Craft. I recently came across his "Short Talks on Masonry". It is a series he wrote between 1924 and 1927, seventy plus years ago. The particular article I read is about Masonic Education. Brother Newton relates his experience joining the Fraternity and asking questions and looking for answers. He didn't get many initially. Years later in Iowa, where he became Chaplain of the Grand Lodge, he began to dig into the resources at their library. It was there he explains that the meaning of Masonry began to unfold. It was at this time some of Newton's Brethren in the Grand Lodge expressed a need for Masonic education.

Brother Newton went to England during the First World War. While there he visited Lodge Progress in Glasgow, Scotland, at which time he met Brother A.S. McBride, a Masonic teacher. Newton described to McBride the difficulty he was having developing a program to provide Masonic education. McBride explained that in the old days in Scotland it was custom to have what they called "intenders". It was their special duty to post new Brethren in the Ritual and at the same time instruct them in the things they ought to know about the Craft and its work in the world. (We call them Shepherds).

Brother Newton described in his article what he felt Masons should be taught in their Lodge. His suggestions include: the out-

line of the history and evolution of the Craft; the story of each Mason's own Lodge; and of his Grand Lodge. Wow! What a great idea!

Someone else read this before me. Many of Brother Newton's ideas are already in place. Our Lodge System of Masonic Education (L.S.O.M.E.) is exactly such a tool. What we need to do is use it. I believe that the information in that booklet would provide exceptional material for Lodge programs. Take a look Brothers, ask your Secretary for his copy. It's been a few years, but, I know that every Lodge received three copies. □

## Grand Lodge Staff Officer

Monroe District



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

All who are planning to take the Leadership Development Course on Saturday, November 13th, should now have contacted V.W. Dan Walker or V.W. John Zabel. Their phone numbers are listed in the *Masonic Times*. If you haven't enrolled, but would like to, call one of them soon. Very soon! It will be on Saturday morning from 8:00 a.m. 'til 2:30 p.m.

Those planning to enroll in the Road to the East Program should notify me at 494-2546 or LovettBuz@juno.com. For this Program you will need a copy of the "Twenty-Four Inch Gauge" and the "Book of Constitutions". See the Master of your Lodge and ask if you can borrow the Lodge's copy of each. You can also buy these from Grand Lodge Sales. We do not have extra copies this year. You will need your dues card to find your Grand Lodge number. Please give me enough time so that I can have material for each member of the class.

The Road to the East is divided into three sessions of 4 hours each. The first session will be on Saturday, December 4th at 8:00 a.m. in the 3rd floor dining room in the Downtown Temple. The second session will be on Saturday, January 8th—same place and time. The third session will be Saturday, February 5th—same time and place. Come early and have coffee and bagels or doughnuts.

As we find more competition for each person's time, it becomes more important to arm yourself with as much "non-ritual" training as possible. When I was Junior Warden, I began planning for my year as Master. I had no idea of the abundance of resources available to me. It was much later that I learned of the Grand Lodge material and the material that some of the Concordant Bodies could supply. I didn't know of the host of speakers available to me. While going through the line, my goal was always to become Master of my Lodge. I had no problem getting myself "up" for the job.

In recent years there seems to be more and more "recycles" in the chairs. I can understand the difficulty in getting yourself into

a second or third run. I would have much difficulty finding and keeping the same enthusiasm that was mine during my year as Master. I know that I would need more. The enthusiasm would have to be replaced with more knowledge of the Lodge, and more knowledge of Masonry. Since I know that I am NOT an expert, this would be easy. There is a staggering amount of material available to me. There are the LDC and the RTTE programs. There is Hiram's College of Knowledge. There is the library. There is the Philaethes and Quatuor Coronati with their over abundance of quality reading material. The "Twenty-Four Inch Gauge" offers a great amount of condensed information for your use. You can get a list of material from Grand Lodge Sales.

Your year as Master, whether first term or second or third term, can be an enjoyable time. Don't let your year go by without trying some of these ideas. Surprise yourself. Surprise the Lodge members. Give them more reason to attend. You will be well on your way to keeping more members in the Lodge. Don't give away members. If they must go, let it be for some other reason than being bored to death. □

## Monroe District Masters & Wardens Assoc.



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

### Greetings

We meet at Towpath Lodge on November 13th at 10:00 a.m.

Masters and Wardens will be in their tuxedos answering phones for WXXI on November 29th at 7:00 p.m. This is to help the station out with their Fall Membership Drive. We need at least 15 Brothers to answer the phones. We had a good time of it in August. The station made us all feel welcome and comfortable. WXXI is located on State Street, across from the Kodak corporate offices.

Our September meeting went well. The ladies mingled and had some ideas about New York City. Unfortunately, only 2 Masters brought their ladies. More input is needed.

Grand Lodge 2000 will be here soon. By the end of January the Masters group should have its plans in place; notably, transportation, lodging and entertainment. It's important that the Masters come to these meetings to make sure you have some input. Waiting until the last moment will not be an option this year. Last May's Masters and Wardens party was such a success that we will host it again at the Mapledale in May. W. Dave Foster, W. Emil Schirano and W. Lou Campaniello will coordinate this dinner dance. As we did last year, this will be a social event. I don't have a date as of this publication. I expect to report back in December's newsletter.

Masters and Wardens is attempting to create an e-mail list of all officers in the District. Please e-mail your address to me at [phurwitz@fontinet.net](mailto:phurwitz@fontinet.net).

Our Have-a-Heart Program is coming together. It will occur from February 5th to the 13th,

2000. During this entire time we will be at The Mall at Greece Ridge Center. On both weekends, (February 4, 5 and 6th and February 11, 12, and 13th) we will also be at Eastview, Irondequoit and Marketplace Malls.

Ronald McDonald House needs our help. Won't you and your Lodge please help by committing to a time slot. Call 581-1831 or e-mail me with your 1st, 2nd and 3rd preferences.

### Dates to keep in mind

The Leadership Development Course is being offered on November 13th at the Downtown Temple from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Food is provided. Call me for more information.

Masters, encourage your JW's and Deacons to attend this program. I took this Course a few years ago. It's very well done, and I recommend it. It will remove much of the anxiety that goes with putting together a trestleboard.

The Road to the East is an indispensable program for those heading (or thinking of it) in that direction. The Program also takes place at the Downtown Temple from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on the following Saturdays—December 4th, January 8, 2000 and February 5th, 2000. I took this Course and have relied on it numerous times. It's relevance beyond Masonry also recommends it. I took the Dale Carnegie Course some time back. The Road to the East Program compares very favorably. Call or e-mail me for further information.

A Program entitled "The Seekers of Truth" will be presented at the Downtown Temple on January 29, 2000 for 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. This is an educational program designed to provide further light. R.W. Rich Friedman and W. Bill Lindsay are involved in putting this program together.

The Schools of Ritual will each exemplify a portion of the 3 Degrees. These Schools are a fine way to learn it the right way; but more importantly, it's a pleasant reason to come together as a Fraternity. School will be in session on November 30th at Webster Lodge, first half of the 1st Degree; January 19, 2000 at the Downtown Temple, first half of the 2nd Degree; March 30th at Union Star, first half of the 3rd Degree.

Masters and Wardens, (Deacons too), works when you and your officers come to out meetings.

See you all at our next meeting. Take care. □

## Membership Retention

R.W. Joseph Privitera  
Monroe District

### Dues

There are several reasons why members are dropped from their Lodges for nonpayment of dues. The reason that disturbs me the most is that the Brother can no longer afford the dues. To some of us, the dues should be paid because the amount is small compared to other expenses. That may be true. However, I have seen enough situations, without going into detail, where the Brother truly cannot afford his Lodge dues.

If this is your unfortunate situation, then please put your pride aside for a while and call someone. Contact a close Brother of your Lodge. Call your Lodge Master or Secretary. Their phone numbers are in this publication in the Lodge logos. Call me at

392-5583. I urge you to speak to someone so we can help resolve the situation.

If you have other reasons for not keeping your membership, then I urge you to discuss those reasons with someone by contacting one of the above sources.

**Factions**

If you have a few minutes, pick up the Ritual and read the 2nd Degree Charge, the one that begins, "Upon the very name of this Degree...". To me this is Masonry all rolled up in a bundle. Where the text speaks about household, community, city, state, and government, substitute the word "Lodge".

The reason I bring this up is there are a few Lodges out there involved in some sort of factional infighting. The Brothers of a Lodge not involved in this nonsense are sitting there wondering where all the Brotherhood went. They get discouraged and disenchanted which results in low attendance and dropping out. If you are a player in some factional disturbance in your Lodge, I want you to stop it. Discuss the problem in a sensible manner and resolve it. We spend a lot of time trying to get members, doing Degree work, instructing them, and planning for them, to lose them for some problem that can be resolved with a simple meeting of the minds. "In union is strength, in harmony is peace".

See you in the Garden. □

**Bureau of  
Masonic  
Education  
Monroe County**  
President:  
V. W. John Zabel

**Landmarks, customs and usage**

"Hey, George, wait up", shouted Henry. George was just leaving Lodge and Henry came rushing after him.

"I've a question for you that I have been unable to get answered."

"OK, I'm not in a hurry", replied George.

"There are a few things that I've seen in Lodge that I don't understand. For example, the Stewards leave the meeting as the minutes are being read and salute the Senior Warden and not the Master. Yet the Ritual of the Degrees says that the Master is to be saluted. I've looked for a reference to this practice, but have found nothing. What gives?", asked Henry.

George thought for a second then replied, "This all leads to the term you may have heard, 'the ancient customs, usages and landmarks of the Craft'. In this jurisdiction the customs, and usages, are not written down and the landmarks, while written, have not been adapted by Grand Lodge."

"How does this answer my question?"

"It is customary that if a Brother needs to leave a tiled meeting during business or the program, he steps to the Senior Warden, salutes and retires. This custom is not documented anywhere that I have found, but it does exist. I believe that it comes from the Senior Warden's duty to assist the Master in conducting a Lodge meeting, and to prevent the Master from being interrupted during a meeting. I know that if a special guest is in Lodge to present a program and desires to leave after his remarks, he will

salute the Master. This is just one of a number of things that are done in Lodge but may not be written."

"What are the landmarks and why has Grand Lodge not adapted them?", queried Henry.

George again had to think for a minute then answered, "The landmarks are those tenets of the Craft that no Mason, Lodge or Grand Lodge should never change. I believe that they have not been adopted because once Grand Lodge adopts them, they could, but should not, then change them. But by leaving them unwritten, they cannot be changed. The landmarks, as I understand them, cover such areas as the secrecy of the ballot, the qualifications of a candidate, the prerogatives of the Grand Master, etc. There is a list in the Book of Constitutions and in many other books. The lists are slightly different and may contain a different number of landmarks."

"Looks like I should be doing some more reading, replied Henry. "There's more to this Craft than I am aware of."

"Yes, there is much more to it. You will find more about Masonry through reading and talking to knowledgeable Brethren", said George.

"Well, you seem to be one of them. I'll be talking to you some more. I'd better be on my way. Goodnight George, and thanks for addressing my question."

**What's happening**

The Bureau of Masonic Education will be presenting the Leadership Development Course in seminar form on Saturday, November 13th in the Downtown Temple. The seminar will run from 8:00 a.m. to approximately 2:30 p.m. This seminar is a good place for new Masons and new Lodge officers to learn more about the Fraternity and the techniques needed to run a successful Lodge. Contact R. W. Ruel Lovett or me for details and registration.

As an additional note, the Bureau of Masonic Education is looking for Brothers interested in becoming instructors for the Leadership Development Course. The current Course is being revised by the Leadership Service Committee, so those interested will be working with both the current and the new Course, when the new Course is available. □

**Towpath  
Lodge  
No. 163**



W. Phillip R. Hurwitz  
Master  
581-1831

1st & 3rd  
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**Greetings Brothers**

Our Official Visit on September 21st was a memorable one. Service Awards were presented that night to 6 Brothers, whose combined membership equals 295 years in Masonry. The list of all the recipients is: 25 years-Paul Moran, Everett Waters; 30 years-Dean Airy, Sydney Blyth, David Crawford, Andrew McNaught, Edward Mosher; 40 years-Earl DeSmith, Richard Sloman,

Ralph Smith; 45 years-Walter Ellis, Reginal Meagher, Jr., Herbert Partridge, Robert Turner; 50 years-Robert Belcher, Gordon Bennett, Abraham Chait, Laverne Ingalls, Arthur Kasperski, Jay Riggs; 55 years-David Evans; 60 years-Clark Brady, Erwin Morris, Clarence Mueller, Horace Peo, Donald Thomas, Gordon Torkington, Leland Uffindell; 65 years-Stanley Blunther; 75 years-Leland Pflanz.

R. W. Don Darrohn delivered the Grand Master's Message. The Grand Master is aware that our numbers are shrinking, requiring many Districts to consider consolidation. I don't see this as a negative; but rather as a positive. Any endeavor, if it is serious about its long term existence, must adapt to changes. Your Lodge is conducting such a process. Our meeting on October 19th was a spirited, but necessary one. A decision as important as this one, is an ongoing process. Your input is vital.

**Condolences**

We recently lost two Brothers, James E. Russell and H. Arthur Loomis. The Lodge extends its condolences to Mrs. Russell and Mrs. Loomis, families and friends.

**Good news**

I am happy to report that our Tiler, Brother Fran Warburton, is recovering from open heart surgery. Brother Fran is 89 years old! He sends his thanks to everyone in Lodge for their good wishes. He is looking forward to his return to Lodge.

**Great success**

Our Lodge Clambake on October 5th was a great success. Thanks to W. Dan Emerson and W. Lou Campaniello for all their hard work in preparing and cooking. The Lodge especially appreciates Mrs. Marie Emerson (Brother Dan's better half) for all she did in making this dinner a success. I have been advised that Brother Dan and Marie just recently celebrated their 46th wedding anniversary. They make quite a team.

**Congratulations, Joe**

On October 21st, our Senior Deacon, Brother Josue Bogmis, was presented with the Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Award. This Award is presented annually to a Brother for his contributions to his Lodge, and thus Freemasonry as a whole. Brother Joe Bogmis, despite a demanding work schedule, makes time available to participate in the administration of the Lodge. For the past 2 years, he has coordinated our Lodge Blood Drive.

**Degree work**

We will be conferring the 1st Degree on November 2nd at 7:30 p.m. A repeat will follow. Remember how memorable your initiation was? Let's share that experience with our candidates. It's important to have a good turnout and fill up the sidelines. I need all willing and able Towpath Brothers in the metro Rochester area to come out that evening to Lodge. It's important that these candidates see and feel the support of the Lodge.

**Theodore Roosevelt**

We will not meet on November 16th at the Lodge. Instead, we will gather at the Downtown Temple on November 17th to watch Brother Paul Stillman give his rendition of Theodore Roosevelt. For those of you not familiar with Brother Stillman, he will put on a one man histori-

cal re-enactment. It's very good. All of us who saw his performance at Charlotte/Corinthian can testify to the wonderful presentation given. The show itself begins at 7:30 p.m. in Cathedral Hall. Dinner will precede the show and be served at 6:30 p.m. Phone in your reservation to W. Dan Emerson at 334-7730 no later than November 10th.

**Donations needed**


This year our Lodge will participate in the "Toys for Tots" Program. I'm asking all Brothers of our Lodge to donate a new boxed toy for the upcoming holiday season. Our Steward, Brother Harold Murphy, is in charge. His telephone number is 889-2689.

A School of Ritual will be held on November 30th at Webster Lodge at 7:30 p.m. The first half of the 1st Degree will be exemplified.

The Masonic Service Association of North America is appealing for disaster relief for our Brothers in North Carolina. The flooding there has been of epic proportions. They need our help. Tax deductible contributions can be made payable to MSA Disaster Relief Fund and forwarded to The Masonic Service Association, 8120 Fenton St., Suite 203, Silver Spring, MD 20910-4785. This information was obtained from the MSA website at [www.msna.com/ncdra.html](http://www.msna.com/ncdra.html).

See you in Lodge. Take care. □

**Valley/Simes  
Lodge  
No. 109**



W. Richard J.E. Forris,  
Master  
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**2nd Tuesday  
7:30 P.M.**

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

By R. W. Herbert Spencer

Greetings, my Brothers. The Master asked me to do this month's article. I haven't done this in a while, so I hope it meets with your approval.

Well, my Brothers, it seems as though the weather is starting to change, the leaves on the trees are turning and falling, and soon we will be raking them up. It's getting dark earlier and by the time you read this, we may have turned our clocks ahead, thereby losing time. Trusting that you all had a pleasant Summer, it's now time for Masonry and our Lodge news.

**Degrees**

We currently have two candidates who received their 1st Degree on October 26th, with R. W. Myron Dox in the East. With the aid of the officers and Brethren, we conducted a presentable Degree for our new Brothers. As of this writing, we expect to conduct our own 2nd Degree on either November 23rd

or 30th, with a dinner beforehand. If you wish to take part and help out, let the Master or W. Gray Burke know and you will be put to work!

**Condolences**

October 21st was a sad day for Masonry. Our Brother, R. W. William A. Baldwin, passed away from a heart attack. There was a Masonic Service whereby not all the Masons who came to pay their respects could fit into the room. I am told there was in excess of 150 people in attendance. Our deepest sympathy goes out to Sharon and her family. Our Brother Bill was active, not only in this Lodge of ours, but in many areas of Masonry throughout the Monroe District. He will be missed.

Sadly enough, three days later we lost another Brother with the passing of Brother Frank H. Bassett on October 24th. We performed a Masonic Service for Brother Frank. Our sympathies to his family.

**Sickness and distress**

R. W. Paul R. Gleason, Jr., recently had some more surgery to correct his heartbeat. He is now totally on a pacemaker. He is home and doing well.

W. Dick Giedd's wife, Molly, recently had surgery with two stents placed in her artery. She is home recovering very well.

R. W. Ruel Lovett, Grand Sword Bearer, had prostate surgery. We do wish him a speedy recovery, and we missed him at Official Visit.

My wife, Jean, recently had a mild heart attack while undergoing an angiogram and is home and doing much better.

My Brothers, I wish I could report some good news received from you, but no one tells me or sends me any news. I am sure some of you must have some good news to report!

**Congratulations**

However, I have lots of good news to report. Congratulations to our Brother, R. W. Frederick Stahl on being elected to receive the 33rd Degree of Continued on page 8.

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Scottish Rite. Our friend, R. W. Stephen Whittaker, was also elected to receive this honor. R. W. and Rev. Paul R. Gleason, Jr., has been elected to receive the Meritorious Service Award from the Scottish Rite. My Brothers, lots of good things are happening. Give these Brothers your good wishes when you see them or speak with them.

More good news for those of you who met him, our Brother Angel Fuentes in Spain, is very active in Masonry and has also been elected to receive the 33rd Degree.

On October 21st our long time Treasurer, W. Howard Belt, received the Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Award in the name of our Lodge. Many of us turned out to wish him well that night.

Our next meeting is on November 9th, and the ladies are invited. My Brothers, let's see a good turnout. The dinner will be Spaghetti and Meatballs. If you need a different meal, we can have Chicken for you. Let us know with a reservation. The speaker will be Mr. Mark Osterman of the George Eastman House. He will speak on "The Search for Shadows in the West of Ireland", which is a talk and travelogue meant for everyone. While the Brothers are at Lodge, the ladies will be entertained. All of our dinners will be prepared by Hilde and Joy, and as most of you already know, we never go hungry or disappointed with their meals. I do know the menu for the entire year.

In my absence for the month of November, all reservations should be made with the Master at 426-4330 or 889-5046, Dick Giedd at 621-3045 or Richard Snyder at 342-2419.

### December

The program for December 14th will be a Family Night with Paul Stillman, alias "Nasty Ned". There will be a fresh Turkey Dinner that night. Bring the ladies and the kiddies.

For the November and December meetings you can bring any prospective member. The cost of the dinner, which we subsidize, is only \$5.00.

If you have any Lodge business for the month of November, please contact the Master.

If you have e-mail and wish to receive Lodge news as it happens, send your e-mail address to me at hspencer@frontiernet.net. At present I have 28 Brothers who get news first hand.

Here's wishing all the Brothers and their families a happy Thanksgiving. □

## Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge No. 1088

W. G. Thomas  
Grape,  
Master  
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7:30 P.M.

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It was great to see so many Brothers out for the 1st Degree on October 5th. We had visitors from Valley/Simes and Seneca Lodges who brought a newly raised Entered Apprentice to see the Ceremonial and enhance his understanding of the Degree. The

Valley/Simes Brothers informed us they had the Travelling Gavel and challenged us to come and get it at their meeting on the 12th of October and that we did and came home with it.

### Dinner

We had our "Teddy Bear" Dinner on October 19th. The price of admission was one teddy bear per adult. Officer Ron Chabot of the Rochester Police Department presented a short program. The RPD carries teddy bear gifts in their patrol vehicles to comfort children in domestic disputes, lost child found situations, etc. The proceeds of the dinner went to support their endeavors.

### October

Other events in October were the Grand Lecturer's Convention and the Masonic Interfaith Service and Breakfast.

### Award Night

Brother Bill King was honored at the Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Awards Night on October 21st. Bill always answers the call and has helped me with many situations in the past few years.

### November

November will be a busy month with our 2nd Degree, Official Visit, Scottish Rite Reunion and the School of Ritual. □

## Wakan/Hubbard Lodge No. 154



W. Raymond  
DiJames,  
Master  
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2nd & 4th  
Mondays  
7:30 P.M.

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### Past events

The month of September saw two events that were enjoyed by all. Namely, the Tall Cedars Steak Roast, chaired by W. Angelo DiCataldo on September 20th and Wakan's Annual Clambake on the 25th, chaired by SD Steve Xander. Our thanks to all the Brothers who assisted in making these events very enjoyable for all.

In September we welcomed a new Brother to our Fraternity. We wish him many enjoyable years in the Fraternity.

### November events

November 8th is our Table Lodge. This will be a special dinner meeting and should be an interesting and fun night. Come and join us for a catered dinner of Prime Rib. Wine will also be served with the meal. The price of the dinner is \$10.00 and all are welcome to partake. Please be advised that a reservation made is a reservation paid.

Reservations must be received not later than November 1st. Anyone showing up at the door without a reservation will be turned away. Please call Paul Kober at 381-1058 or me at 227-0494 today with your reservation.

The Master's Ball will be on November 13th at the Country Party House, 321 East Linden Avenue in East Rochester. Reservations to Gordon Ball, 986-2964, or Paul Kober at the above number by November 8th, please! The cost is \$30.00 per person and your ladies dinner will be paid for by the Lodge.

An officers' meeting and rehearsal for the 3rd Degree will be

at the Lodge on November 17th at 7:00 p.m.

The 3rd Degree, with the Worshipful Master in the East, will be on November 22nd. Sorry, ladies, men only this time. □

## W/H - Monroe District Lakeside Foundation "Final Round of Golf"

By Don Brugger

A beautiful day was granted by the Great Architect of the Universe on October 11th. Twelve Masonic Brothers from the Monroe District arrived at the appointed time and all enthusiastically attacked the Twin Hills Course.

### Participation

Concurrent with the Lakeside Foundation's Benefit Outing, we ran the first true Monroe District Golf Tournament. Participating in this year's event were: four Brothers from Lalla Rookh Grotto (Dick Topel - Fame No. 945, Ron Morthorst - Union Star No. 320, Frank Murrer - Churchville No. 667 & Bill Fredenberg - Charlotte/Corinthian No. 1088), three from the Tall Cedars (Tom Hueston - Wakan/Hubbard No. 154 with guests Larry Heinsler and Ron Decker), two from Etolian No. 479 (Don Darrohn and Bob Spencer), and three from Wakan/Hubbard No. 154 (Rich Brockmann, Don Brugger and guest, Chuck Brugger).

Most of the Brothers got in the required 18 for our Tourney and several went on to play another nine and more. They could have gone on 'til dark; that's what is so unique about this event.

### Winners

The winners were: Closest to the Pin hole #3 was Dick Topel (9' 2") and the Longest Drive on hole #11 was our own District Deputy, Don Darrohn (no distance measured, but besting the next longest by 20 yards). Both these winners received \$50 Gift Certificates from Tuxedo Park and we thank the proprietor, Randy Rankin, for his support. The Grand Prize for lowest Callaway net was Bob Spencer from Etolian Lodge. Bob will be receiving a Sentry Safe courtesy of Sentry Safe Company through Brother Joe Oelgoetz III.



Don Darrohn and Bob Spencer, both of Etolian Lodge, winners of the Longest Drive and Low Callaway Net prizes, with guest, Chuck Brugger.



Cart line at the first tee at Twin Hills Golf Course on a crisp sunny October morning. It was a wonderful, colorful, Fall day for a "Final Round of Golf". We hope more Monroe Masons will join us next year at this annual event! Save the date "Columbus Day", October 9, 2000.



Dick Topel (Grotto), winner of the Closest to the Pin Contest (9' 2", #3) receiving gift certificate from Don Brugger.

Although not as many participated as last year we still were able to raise a significant amount for the work of the Lakeside Foundation. Perhaps next year we will be able to do a better job and fill up the available 40 slots with all Masons. □

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



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### A great time of year

This is the time of year I look forward to. The leaves start to turn, the salmon make their run upstream, and we prepare for Degree work. On October 11th R. W. Don Vetal enlightened us with the "future" of the Craft.

We look forward to walking with our new members through their journey from the West to the East.

### November

If you thought that October was good, just look at what's coming in November. On the 8th we have our famous Table Lodge. Every year it's a true sharing of Friendship and Brotherly Love. I'm sure that this year will not be a disappointment. Our guest speaker will be R. W. Maurice Solomon. Anyone that has heard Maurice speak knows the treat to come. The meeting on the 22nd will be addressing one of the most interesting incidents in Masonic history. R. W. Bill Zufall will speak on the "Morgan Incident". I personally can't wait to hear and learn about this.

I look forward to seeing each of you in Lodge. □

## Flower City Lodge No. 910



W. Jerry  
Sporo,  
Master  
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2nd  
Thursday  
7:30 P.M.

R. W. Philip Averbach,  
Secretary 458-1817  
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I was leafing through the "Twenty-Four Inch Gauge" one evening when the following information came into sight. "Careful planning will ensure that the communications will fulfill the needs of the Brethren, thus encouraging regular attendance and participation. 'Good' Lodge meetings conform to the following quality measures".

The book goes on... "The meeting is planned by the officers"...and continues, "they start on time. They are structured with an agenda. They move at a timely pace. They conclude at a reasonable hour and should the program be long, breaks are provided. Masonic etiquette is observed. All Brothers are recognized by the Master... We all know all this is the proper way to run a meeting, but are we following all these recommendations?"

The above is just a portion of one page in the "Twenty-Four Inch Gauge". Until I was elected Senior Warden I didn't even know of its existence. Now it is an excellent source of Masonic information for me. My Brothers, don't wait until you become a Senior Warden to become familiar with the "Twenty-Four Inch Gauge". Ask to borrow a copy at one of the meetings. You definitely will become a much better informed Mason.

### Fellowcraft Dinner

We have scheduled a dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 4th, at the Olive Garden on Jefferson Road in Henrietta. Please contact R. W. Philip Averbach for reservations and bring an appetite. It is about time we got together for a meal.

### DDGM Visit

The DDGM Visitation night will be Thursday, November 11th. This is one meeting we should all attend to welcome R. W. Donald Darrohn to Flower City Lodge No. 910.

2nd Degree scheduled for Monday, November 29th

The 2nd Degree has been planned for Monday, November 29th. We are planning a Box Lunch with deli sandwiches at 6:30 p.m. and the Degree will start at 7:30 p.m. Contact R. W. Philip Averbach or me for reservations.

Our Lodge has agreed to present the first half of the 2nd Degree at the School of Ritual on January 19, 2000.

### Times and places to bring friends


We are currently heading in a negative direction. While it is true that we are bringing new Brothers into the Lodge, our losses far outnumber our gains. According to my math, there are far more people on this Earth than there were even 10 years ago. Worse, there are fewer Masons than there were 10 years ago. It figures then that it should be easier now to take in new members. I'll even make it easier. We will have two



dates to bring in friends to learn about Masonry. The first date will be Sunday, December 12th at 4:00 p.m. and we will be serving latkas. Our Latka Hop has always been a well attended fun event for us and our friends. There is no reason why this should not be a Bring-a-Friend event.

The second date is Friday, January 21st at 7:00 p.m. This will be our regular Bring-a-Friend Night. Now that it is so much easier, please share Masonry with a few of your friends. Show them what they are missing!

**FAIRPORT**  
Lodge No. 476



W. Tom Richenderfer,  
Master  
377-7782

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

W. George R. Bracht, Secretary  
(h) 383-1947

37 South Main St.  
Fairport, N.Y. 146150

Our Rital tells us that harmony should be the main concern in all group endeavors, especially in the Lodge. Unfortunately, Brothers, many have gone away dissatisfied from Fairport Lodge the last few years. Several events in the recent history of the Lodge have caused divisions among us. This has resulted in low turnout to our meetings and low participation in Lodge events, by both the parties that feel wronged and by Brothers who are tired of the divisiveness. You must not allow personal prejudices or private piques and grudges to influence your ballot. You are to consider only the moral qualifications of the petitioner.

My Brothers, this principle applies to each of us, all of the time, not just petitioners during a ballot. We must be able to talk through our differences and put them behind us. The key word in the paragraph above is "history". That's what these events are, history. We can do nothing to change them, we can only talk about what happened and try to learn from it.

"As Fellowcrafts, we face our duty to our neighbor. God never brought us into being to live in the narrow groove of a selfish individualism, but as Brethren one of another in mutual dependence and support. Nothing does the Holy Bible, the rule and guide of our faith and practice, more strenuously teach; nothing does Masonry more inflexibly demand. No household can fashion the home where dissension and selfishness knell the death of unity and peace. No community can protect character where petty strife is born of mischievous tongues. No city can become a place of prosperous growth whose citizens care little and do less for its advancement."

The other topic I would like to discuss is the lack of service projects that Fairport Lodge does on a regular basis. We have adopted a section of Route 250 for trash pickup, but that's all. I joined this Lodge 7 years ago for the opportunity to serve my community. I accept the responsibility to develop a set of projects that the Lodge can rally around and support. I think this responsibility is more important than developing a trestleboard of programs to entertain you at meetings during the Masonic year, and I will treat it as such. I ask each

and every member of Fairport Lodge to accept the responsibility of supporting these projects and your Lodge in every way possible. I also ask for your help in identifying projects and bringing them before the Lodge as worthy of our support. Please call me at 377-7782 or send me e-mail (tomrich@worldnet.att.net) with your suggestions. I will list the suggestions I receive in my column next month.

"May the blessing of Heaven rest upon us and all regular Masons. May Brotherly love prevail, and every moral and social virtue cement us".

**Great opportunity Part 2**

A few Brothers stepped forward to take advantage of the opportunity of putting on a program at one of our meetings. On November 8th, W. Dwight Turner will be presenting a slide show of his World War II tour in the South Pacific. Also, W. Tom Goodrich has volunteered to present a program at our December 13th meeting. I thank these Brothers for helping out and encourage all of our members to attend these meetings and programs. If there are other Brothers who would like to present a program, please talk to me. There will be opportunities during the Winter and Spring months to do more.


**Upcoming events**

As mentioned before, the program for our November 8th meeting will be a slide show by W. Dwight Turner. Our meeting on November 22nd will be a Lodge of Remembrance for our Brothers who have passed away this year. Please try to make some time to attend these meetings.

**Footnote**

① *Monitorial English text, "Standard Work and Lectures of Ancient Craft Masonry", Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New York.*

**Union Star**  
Lodge No. 320



W. John H. Williams  
Master  
533-1188

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

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

**Inspiring message**

Recently we had our Official Visit by our District Deputy Grand Master, R. W. M. Donald Darrohn. His words to us and his Message from the Grand Master, M. W. Stewart C. McCloud, were very inspiring and left a good impression on all of the Brothers present.

**Fellowcraft Club**

Our Fellowcraft Club is now quite active under the guidance of Brother Gary Sanford, and of course, we are always hoping a few more of our Brothers will join us. The next meeting will be on November 22nd at 7:00 p.m. We need more input and suggestions for Lodge improvement projects. Brother Gary has done an outstanding job in the relatively short time he has been a Mason. In fact, he was selected for the Symbolic Lodge Award that was presented at the Downtown Temple by the Scottish Rite. Give Brother Gary a call at 425-

4240 and let him know that you are interested in coming to the Fellowcraft Club meetings and that you might be able to help with some of the special projects we are contemplating.

**Brotherhood Fund**

The Brotherhood Fund Committee is well under way. The Chairman, Brother Jim Nersinger, recently took a trip to Buffalo for a meeting that was conducted by the Grand Lodge Chairman of the Brotherhood Fund, R. W. Robert D. Stack. Brother Jim will soon be contacting all of our members. We hope to increase the number of participants and that most of you will return your envelopes with a generous donation to the Fund.

**Congratulations!**

Brother Jerry Wiedemann has been appointed and installed as our Junior Master of Ceremonies. We feel that he will enjoy being one of our officers. He has been very active in our Lodge and is Chairman of our Festival Committee that operates our food booth at the Festival on the Green in Honeoye Falls.


**Important Courses**

It is hoped that our Wardens and Deacons will take advantage of the Leadership Development Course that will be given at the Downtown Temple on November 13th at 8:00 a.m. Contact R. W. Ruel Lovett at 494-2546 for further information. Wardens and Deacons should also be considering taking the Road to the East Program. This is in three sessions, beginning Saturday, December 4th, at the Downtown Temple. R. W. Ruel Lovett can also give you further information on this program.

**November events**

Mark your calendars now for the other important events coming up in November. Join us at our regular meeting on November 8th at 7:30 p.m. The School of Ritual will be held at the Webster Temple on November 30th at 7:00 p.m. This will be covering the first half of the 1st Degree.

**F A M E**  
Lodge No. 945  
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Leon VanHuben, Secretary  
647-1391

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

October - originally the 8th month, but demoted to the 10th position by the manipulations of Caesar Augustus. It's the month of crisp apples, sweet apple cider, h Hubbard squash, and 'largest pumpkin' contests. It's when we celebrate Columbus' stumbling into America while searching for Japan. It is the time of National School Lunch Week, National Save Your Book Week, and National Adult Immunization Week. It's when you can almost feel the days beginning to shrink and when night falls like a dark curtain without any of Summer's twilight. It's the month of Halloween.

**Take care**

Please take special care this Fall when you are out and about during this time. The streets will be filled with fallen leaves, so

light reflecting and visibility will be limited. Leave earlier and drive more slowly.

**Party time**

The biggest event on our horizon is the annual Ladies Night and Christmas Party. This year it will be held at the Dutch Mill, 2910 Dewey Avenue, on November 14th. We always have a wonderful time at this festival rite, so get your reservations in to W. Dean Marsaw as soon as possible.

I would again remind you about calling me, or another officer, about Brothers or friends in sickness or distress.

Don't eat too much left-over Halloween candy.

**Craftsman/**  
**Robertson**  
Lodge No. 969



W. Charles Strickland,  
Master  
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(b) 235-2920

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

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

By Robert Ogden

**Sad news**

It is my sad duty to inform you that Brother Frank H. Bassett, member of Valley/Simes Lodge No. 109, Ad Director Emeritus of the *Masonic Times*, passed away September 24th. Brother Frank was ad manager for the Gannett Company and used his expertise in securing ads for the *Masonic Times*. Our condolences to his family and friends.

**Sickness and distress**

Our Secretary, Brother Tom Kendig, reports several Lodge Brothers and their ladies have been under the weather lately, but is pleased to hear they are recuperating nicely.

**From the Master**

W. Chuck Strickland states that four candidates are expected to receive their Fellowcraft Degree on November 16th. There will be a rehearsal planned on November 9th.

**Fifth trip to Bermuda**

W. Paul Robertson and his wife, Doris, enjoyed their 5th

cruise to Bermuda recently. Brother Paul danced the calypso with the staff during the Talent Show and Doris belted out her favorite "Getting to Know You". They were honored guests at the Captain's Table.

**History repeats itself**

There were approximately 50 Lodge Brothers and their wives and friends who gathered on October 5th for a Swiss Steak Dinner. After dinner Jim Scheible and his wife, Dorothy, gave a presentation of the History of the American Flag, which captured everyone's interest. Great food and fellowship are perfect catalysts for such a pleasant get-together. Brothers, let's keep it up!

**Milestones**

A salute to the Brothers born in November: Bill Evert, Wayne Gundry, Jeff Beecher, Gary Lashomb, George Lloyd, Jim Locklin, Bill Mallo, George Pasch, Jim Spencer, Mike Steffen, Bob Traub, Cliff White and Frank Zaffino.

**From the Secretary**

I was pleasantly surprised to receive an e-mail communication from Brother Bob Shartran. I'm extending an invitation to Brothers who wish to send me an e-mail and in return you will receive a monthly e-mail communication from me re: special happenings in Lodge. Thank you.

**November meetings**

November 2nd is a dinner meeting, with ladies invited. November 9th is Fellowcraft meeting and a rehearsal. On November 16th we will confer the Fellowcraft Degree.

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&  
1st Tues.  
My., Jn., Oct.  
7:30 P.M.

Secretary

W.: John H. Foster 467-1677

By David N. Foster, SW

**Greetings, Brethren**

Our meeting this month will be on Tuesday, November 16th. It will be a regular business meeting to continue discussion of and report on the progress of our merger with Fame Lodge. This is an important meeting and you should plan on attending. A Pot Luck Supper at 6:30 p.m. will precede the meetings.

Put this on your calendars now!

As been our custom the last few years, our meeting on December 21st will consist of a short business meeting followed by our Holiday Party. We will be having a catered buffet dinner at \$5.00 per person, as well as snacks and other goodies. More information next month!

**Make your contribution**

The Brotherhood Fund Drive has started again and I, as Chairman, am hoping that everyone will make a contribution. The Lodge thanks Brothers Earl Bertch, Heinz Gunkel, Paul Krueger and Ron Ogren for their contributions. Let's make this drive a huge success and go into our merger with style! Let's all help support the Brotherhood Fund and make the list of contributors grow!

I hope this finds you all healthy and enjoying yourselves. If you (or if you hear of one of our Brothers) are under the weather or otherwise in need our help or charity, please make sure you call one of your Officers. Last but not least, Happy Birthday to all our Brothers with November birthdays. □

**NORTHFIELD****Lodge No. 426**Instituted  
March 18571st & 3rd  
Thursdays  
7:30 P.M.W.: James P.  
Weick  
Master  
924-1666W.: Donald C. Smith  
Secretary 248-517017 Church Street  
Pittsford, N.Y.  
14534

The chill I feel in the air as the first frost blankets our town tonight had better not be forecasting the outcome of the first Membership Drive of the term! Zero! Not one Brother brought one potential member to either of the Brother Bring-a-Friend Nights held, on your behalf, in September. Just as a frost will kill the enthusiasm of the garden, a zero membership increase will equally affect the Lodge. Search long, search hard. We won't let up on this venture together. We have everything to gain and everything to lose. It will be our actions that

determine the next weather front for Northfield.

**Meeting adjustment**

Without the need for Fall Degrees, we will schedule guest speakers. Come and see what topics we will have.

**Phone number changes**

Please note that R.:W.: Bill Spillane's home number is now 271-5664 and J.W.: Jim Knapp, can be reached at 422-2142 only during the days. Please update this information on your term cards.

**Sickness**

Get well wishes are extended to W.: Bill Fraser and W.: John Williams after their recent surgeries.

**Summoned by the Supreme Architect**

In the words every Master never wishes to say, "it becomes my sad duty to inform you of the passing of Brother Hubert Kraai". He was summoned by the Supreme Architect of the Universe on September 22, 1999. Our condolences and support has been extended to his wife and family.

God bless our Masonic family. □

**O-At-Ka****Lodge No. 759**W.: Kevin  
C. Fisher,  
Master  
359-22892nd & 4th  
Wed.  
7:30 P.M.R.:W.: Lawrence W. Dunn  
Secretary 594-8033  
5 Browns Ave.  
Scottsville, N.Y. 14546

By W.: Donald Tubman

**Greetings from the East!**

That is what we heard when R.:W.: Don Darrohn, DDGM, made his Official Visit on October 13th. We took him out to dinner and a report will follow next month.

Oatka Brothers have been invited back to Ionic Lodge No. 229, Brampton, Ontario, Canada, but as we have promised them an opportunity to view a Degree at Oatka, they will be visiting us first. The e-mails continue!

**Thanks**

To all who worked around the Lodge and hunted our bats, thanks! Please report if you find any presents from our guests to Gary Trescott or me. We are coordinating the effort to remove our most frequent guests and appreciate all sightings.

**Plans**

I will be in the East on November 10th and have planned to have Grant Romer, a speaker on Masonic history to address the Lodge on Masonic history in Monroe County. The Wheatland Historical Society is invited and this should be a great night. Mr. Romer is a wonderful speaker and is the Conservator at the George Eastman House.

I want you all to know that W.: Kevin Fisher has been pulling double duty as Master of Oatka Lodge and Patron of the Eastern Star in Perry for his aunt. He needs your sympathy and support!

Kevin, with his aunt, have taken in ten new members in Perry in the last year. A team from Oatka Lodge and the Star will be working on what has worked for Perry and will help our local Chapter of the Star as

they continue to search for a Patron and seek new members.

Kevin has reviewed the "Benchmarking Plan" instituted by R.:W.: Dave Jones, DDGM, and Kevin has formed a small group task force to look at long range plans for the Lodge. Your input will be important to this process. We always encourage your attendance at Lodge and hope to see you. If you have an idea or thought, call him at \*82-359-2289.

The Sands triplets Pig Roast and Poker Run was a great success. The Sands family still needs our support.

**Sickness and distress**

Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to Charlie and Jean Webb on the loss of their son, Charles. Young Charles, one of my old school chums, was 51. He had lived in Florida the last 26 years and was a plant and insect specialist for the State. Charlie leaves a loving wife and two children. The Webbs would appreciate a card. Their address is 7610 Ratan Circle, Port Charlotte, Florida 33981.

**Hope to see you!**

We are because you were. We will be because you are there. Please make a point of attending Lodge and bring a friend. □

**CLIO****LODGE No. 779**W.: Jeffery  
B. Ross,  
Master  
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Our 1st Degree was a big success, SW Bob Pedersen sat in the East and did an excellent job. Many of the Brethren participated and should be commended on helping to put on a fine Degree which I am sure left a good impression on our new Brother. The 2nd Degree will be on November 16th and JW Gordon Smith will sit in the East. Come and join us for a night of fellowship.

**For old time's sake**

On November 2nd we will be having our Annual Past Masters Night. I know what you're thinking, "It will be the same Past Masters that I see at Lodge every meeting, only they will be sitting in the officers chairs". This year I thought we would change things a bit, we are working on getting some of the Past Masters to participate that we don't see often enough. If you are not sitting in a chair come down and see your old friends in action. Don't forget to bring your Past Master's Apron because we are going to get a nice group photo to display in the Lodge for years to come.

**Congratulations**

Congratulations to our Treasurer, David Goodrich. He is this year's recipient of the Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Award. He has contributed his time and effort to our Lodge for many years, and for this we can't thank him enough.

**Sickness and distress**

It becomes my sad duty to announce the passing of Howard E.

Badgerow on September 6th and Jean Barclay, wife of Claude Barclay, on September 17th. My condolences to their families and friends.

Welcome home to Jack Johnson after hip surgery, Doug Wright after angioplasty, and Allen Mercer after surgery for a perforated appendix.

**Birthdays**

Happy Birthday to Harry Bostley, Bud Camp, Dick Caupp, Harry Adams, George Charlick, Doug Harris and Jerry Gilmore.

**Upcoming events**

Our Spaghetti Dinners will be on October 27th and November 10th. Past Masters Night will be on November 2nd and the 2nd Degree on November 14th. □

**ETOLIAN****Lodge No. 479**133 South Union St.  
Spencerport, N.Y. 14559W.: Michael  
Schwartz  
Master  
352-40162nd & 4th  
Mondays  
7:30 p. m.R.:W.: F. Jay McCullough  
Secretary  
352-1061

On September 20th the Brothers of Etolian prepared and served up 85 Roast Beef Dinners to Etolian Chapter, OES, and their guests who had gathered to celebrate the 95th Birthday of the Chapter. In attendance that evening to help with the celebration were both the Grand Matron and Grand Patron of the New York State Order of the Eastern Star. I join the Chapter in extending thanks to JW Karl-Heinz Reich, who coordinated the dinner and the many Craftsmen who helped make the dinner, serve and clean-up afterwards.

At the September 27th communication, SW John Dyer, opened the Lodge, conducted the meeting, and closed the Lodge in my absence. During this communication, the Degree of Entered Apprentice was conferred on one candidate by JW Karl-Heinz Reich. Thank you to all the protem officers who filled in during my absence.

After the October 11th meeting, we held our 2nd Annual Masonic Jeopardy match, with the winners being served dessert by the second place finishers.

**Reminder**

This is from the East to the 23 members who have not yet paid their 1999 dues and the 8 members in arrears for 1998. Please make your remittance promptly to the Secretary. We need all of you to help us continue the work of the Fraternity.

**Best wishes**

Please keep R.:W.: Ruel Lovett in your prayers as he recovers from surgery. Get well soon, Ruel!

**Sad news**

Brethren, it is my sad duty to inform you that Brother Arthur Hauck was called to the Celestial Lodge on September 9, 1999. Brother Hauck was a 50 year member of the Fraternity and was a resident of Naples, Florida.

**October events**

On Thursday, October 21st, W.: Len Perlmutter received the Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Award at the Downtown Temple.

November 1999

On October 25th, the 2nd Degree was conferred by SW John Dyer.

**Official Visit**

The November 8th communication marks the Official Visit by R.:W.: M. Donald Darrohn, DDGM. Plan to come out that night and welcome R.:W.: Don back home to Etolian, and hear the Grand Master's Message. □

**WEBSTER****Lodge No. 538**30 Orchard St.  
Webster, N.Y. 14580W.: Bernard  
Russell,  
Master  
872-13531st & 3rd  
Thursdays  
7:30 p.m.W.: Paul Sobtzyk, Sec.  
671-8980**Brethren**

The month of October has shown many great colors as the Fall harvest is upon us. The altar is now draped with a royal blue cloth made by Brad Hebnor's wife, Shirley. The altar was draped with the beautifully hand stitched cloth during the Stated Communication on October 7th. Thank you, Fred Cornell, for your wonderful idea.

Two visitors also honored the Lodge during the first meeting in October. R.:W.: Donald Darrohn, District Deputy Grand Master of the Monroe District, representing M.:W.: Stewart C. McCloud, Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York, was given Grand Honors. He delivered the Grand Master's Message in his own words as advised. Grand Honors were also given to R.:W.: Ruel Lovett, Grand Sword Bearer.

Nick Haldoupis was also in attendance during the first meeting after suffering a heart attack in September. It is great to have Nick back.

**On the road**

For the second meeting Webster Lodge went to the Downtown Temple to honor Brother Walter Cone at the Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Awards Night. Webster Lodge was especially exuberant while cheering on our honored Brother. Brother Walter has served Webster Lodge well as he is always willing to help fellow Masons in the true spirit of brotherhood. Thank you, Brother Walter, for all you have done for me, the Lodge and Masonry.

**Brother Bring-a-Friend**

On November 4th Brad Lewis is chairing the Brother Bring-a-Friend Night and is looking for more prospective candidates who have the character and background that Masonry needs to keep the work in the quarries moving forward. If any Brother has a friend interested in learning more about Masons and the Craft, please call Brad at 265-2914. The program includes dinner at 6:30 p.m. and a brief presentation on Masonry at 7:30 p.m.

**Spaghetti Dinners**

As usual the Spaghetti Dinners are on the 1st Friday of each month at Webster Lodge from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The next one will be on November 5th. You are all invited to a wonderful dinner and to help out in the kitchen if your schedule allows. □

over twenty-five a year. It is of some significance that, according to the latest figures, the average membership of all Lodges under the Grand Lodge of England is roughly eighty".

What happens when we worship at the altar of bigness?

1. Well, in the first place, our annual waste of leadership is nothing short of a sin. Every year our Lodges welcome into Masonic membership hundreds of men with a great potential for inspired, dedicated leadership—and then we make certain they will have no opportunity to exercise it. Only one Master can serve in a given Lodge per year. We close the door on the best we have because we are too short-sighted, too solicitous of numbers and bank account to divide our membership into smaller units and utilize the manpower that is going to waste.

2. We provide too few opportunities for new members to use their talents, and then wonder why they lose interest and drift away. I have heard Lodge officers complain bitterly about new members coming once, twice, three times, and then no more. But why should they come when there is nothing for them to do except listen to the minutes and allow the bills? There is no place for them; worst of all, no one seems to care.

3. The fellowship of Freemasonry does not thrive in the mass. When will we ever learn that fellowship, that sweet and precious jewel of our Brotherhood, is an intimate thing not shared with great numbers? Some of the most priceless memories of my 28 years as a Mason center around individual contacts with just a few of my Brethren in the Lodge room and about the table—those times when we were doing things together, rejoicing in prosperity, standing steady in adversity—but always together. Thank God there weren't a thousand of us. If there had been, I dare say my interest in Freemasonry would have withered on the vine years ago.

What must be the feeling of the newly raised member when he discovers that his Lodge, which promised him fellowship and intimate friendships, is but a huge, impersonal aggregation of strangers—a Closed Corporation!

We wonder why the membership curve goes downward, and why Masons do not attend meetings of their lodges!

What are we doing about it?

Just making certain that new Lodges will be formed, that's all. Then why aren't we at work on a long range, patient effort to correct a serious condition?

1. Well, first of all, remember, we are Americans, and in all areas of life we worship at the altar of bigness.

Two men came to my office to talk over what had to be done to form a Lodge in a rapidly growing community. Let us call the community Suburbia. One of the Brethren made a significant statement that has been ringing in my ears from that day to this: "In my Lodge of more than 1,500 members," he said, "I haven't a ghost of a chance to ever go through the chairs. A new Lodge at least would give me the chance." That Lodge was never organized, because a neighboring Lodge sent a committee to serve notice on the Brethren that "We regard Suburbia as a stock pile for our Lodge."

2. Then, we are not at work organizing new Lodges because a new Lodge might cause some inconvenience to a horde of organizations now occupying quarters in our Temples. Scores of Masonic Temples in Indiana have room for one or two additional Lodges, but house only one. Instead of encouraging Lodges of Ancient Craft Masonry, which should be occupying our Temples, we shut the door on them in favor of groups which have attached themselves to Freemasonry's coattails. Isn't that statesmanlike thinking?

I am not worried over Lodges that are too small and too weak. That condition eventually will take care of itself. What disturbs me is the increasing number of Lodges that are too large—and that condition is not taking care of itself. What possible reason is there for boasting that Brotherly Love Lodge is the largest Lodge in the city, or in the State? That should be cause for apology rather than rejoicing. Brotherly Love Lodge should be devoting its energies to the extension of its influence in other areas—but you can bet your bottom dollar that Brotherly Love Lodge will do nothing of the sort. It might lose a dozen members.

Truly, "the harvest is plentiful but the reapers are few." Scores of Indiana cities and towns could use another Lodge, or two or three, to the good of all Freemasonry. The population is here, and, in most instances, facilities could be made available. But first we must get over our foolish idea that in order to be effective a Lodge must be large, and wealthy, and own a lush Temple in which 5 percent of its membership or less can huddle together on meeting nights.

What happens when an institution designed to be simple becomes complex, when units meant to be small become oversized and unwieldy, when work intended for many is restricted to a handful, when something that should be intimate becomes impersonal?

What happens? Look around. Exhibit A is all about us.

### New Policy

The Service Bureau will now require a \$25 deposit for the loan of wheelchairs. The deposit will be refunded when the wheelchair is returned.

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I would like to restart this feature, but I need your help. If you think that you would like to see the history of your Lodge appear in the *Times* or if your Lodge building has an interesting or long history, we would like to hear from you. We would also like to hear from you if you have some unique Masonic furniture or memorabilia. Remember photographs are always a great asset when telling a story.

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# Scottish Rite NEWS

Consistory  
Chapter of Rose Croix  
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## Ronald D. Mertens Commander-in-Chief



Have you obtained a new member for our Fall Reunion? Our Reunion will be on Thursday, November 18th and Saturday, November 20th. This Class will be in honor of Brother Frank T. Jansson, 32° MSA. Frank is one of our most dedicated members. For many years he has been our Wardrobe Master and our Representative to the Temple Civic Center. We need your help in making this last Class of the current millennium a Class that will give proper honor to a dedicated and hard working Brother. This is your opportunity to pursue some of the special incentives available for 1st Line Signers of petitions. These were listed in last month's column and are contained elsewhere in this issue. Let's finish 1999 with a Class that will be long remembered.

### Newly elected

In September at the Supreme Council Meeting, Brothers Stephen R. Whittaker, 32° MSA, and Frederick A. Stahl were elected to receive the 33° next year at the Annual Meeting. Our sincere congratulations to these Brothers.

Like many of you, I receive a significant number of e-mail messages. The following is one that I particularly enjoyed and would like to share:

Some people  
come into our lives  
and quickly go.

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and  
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Anonymous

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When loved ones come home, always run to greet them.

Never pass up the opportunity to go for a joy ride.

Allow the experience of fresh air and the wind in your face to be pure ecstasy.

When it's in your best interest, practice obedience.

Let others know when they've invaded your territory.

Take naps and stretch before rising.

Run, romp, and play daily.

Thrive on attention and let people touch you.

Avoid biting, when a simple growl will do.

On warm days, stop to lie on your back on the grass.

On hot days, drink lots of water and lay under a shady tree.

When you're happy, dance around and wag your entire body.

No matter how often you're scolded, don't buy into the guilt thing and pout...run right back and make friends.

Delight in the simple joy of a long walk.

Eat with gusto and enthusiasm. Stop when you have had enough.

Be loyal.

Never pretend to be something you're not.

If what you want lies buried, dig until you find it.

When someone is having a bad day, be silent, sit close by and nuzzle them gently.

I believe there are lessons contained in these teachings for all of us.

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and would appreciate having visitors and receiving cards.

Leland Uffindel - has been having respiratory problems.

Robert A. Sackel - has not been feeling up to par.

Earl Bertch - cataract surgery.

Wayne Slack - doing well after rotator cuff surgery.

Tom Paglia, 32° MSA (me, myself and I), fell on the steps of someone's back porch and sprained my ankle.

All of these Brothers would appreciate hearing from you.

Please call the Scottish Rite Office for their addresses.

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If you have any questions on this concept, please call me or Vern Goodrich at the Scottish Rite office.

## 4°

Secret Master

Thursday, November 18, 1999

*The Fourth Degree emphasizes duty, fidelity, integrity, and the necessity for secrecy in all confidential relationships.*

Directed by:

Donald J. Brugger, 32° MSA

Narrator:

Vernon L. Goodrich

King Solomon:

William R. Zufall

Zadok:

Charles O. Hancock

Ahishar:

Donald J. Brugger, 32° MSA

## 14°

Grand Elect Mason

Following the 10°

*In the Scottish Rite, this Degree is the summit of Ancient Craft Masonry. As the crowning Degree of the Lodge of Perfection, its essence is the holiness of God and reverence for His Holy Name. God will not hold him guiltless that taketh His Name in vain.*

Directed by:

Patrick J.S. McNenny, 33°

Prologue:

Robert Franzen

Thrice Potent Master:

Philip A. Trautman or

\*Rodney R. Rittenhouse, 33°

Deputy Master:

Robert Franzen

Senior Warden:

\*Vernon J. Henderson or

Thomas M. Paglia, 32° MSA

Junior Warden:

Lawrence Bright

Orator:

Robert G. Cameron, 32° MSA

Captain of the Guard:

Donald J. Brugger, 32° MSA

Inquisitor:

Philip Averbach

Moses:

Bernard F. Russell

Master of Ceremonies:

Jerold J. Gilmore

Guards

Mathew Gingold, 32° MSA

David W. Taber

John E. Zabel, 33°

\*Will take part

## 15°

Knight of the East  
or Sword

Saturday, Nov. 20, 1999

9:00 a.m.

*This degree teaches the important lessons of loyalty to conviction and devotion to right.*

Directed by:

Lawrence E. Hood, 33°

Prologue:

Glenn A. Hedges, 32° MSA

Zemira, Master of Entrances:

Harold Bollotin

Cyrus, King of Persia:

M. Donald Darrohn III

Abazar, Master of Ceremonies:

Lawrence E. Hood, 33°

Ratim, Master of Dispatches:

Derek E. VanHouten

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Eldon N. White

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## 18°

Knight of Rose Croix  
of H.R.D.M.

Following the 15°

*The lessons taught in this Degree are that man must have a new Temple in his heart where God is worshipped in spirit and in truth and that he must have a new law of love which all men everywhere may understand and practice.*

*This degree affirms the broad principles of universality and tolerance.*

Directed by:

Norman P. Austin

Ceremonial Section

Most Wise Master:

Philip A. Trautman

Senior Warden:

Donald P. Fox, 32° MSA

Prologue:

Donald P. Fox, 32° MSA

Dramatic Section

Most Wise Master:

John E. Zabel, 33°

Senior Warden:

John E. Zabel, 33°

Junior Warden:

Ronald L. Weber

Orator:

Master of Ceremonies:

William R. Zufall

Knight Captain of the Guard:

Eldon N. White

Assisting Voice:

Charles O. Hancock

## 19°

Grand Pontiff

Saturday, November 20, 1999

12:30 p.m.

*This degree proclaims the spiritual unity of all who believe in God and cherish the hope of immortality, no matter what religious leader they follow or what creed they profess. It is concerned primarily with the perennial conflict between light and darkness, good and evil, God and Satan.*

Directed by:

John E. Zabel, 33°

Grand Pontiff:

Garry R. Hutchurson

Senior Prelate:

Joseph F. Oelgoetz III

Junior Prelate:

R. Keith Stambach

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Louis M. Sanfilippo

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Steven M. Lysenko

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Philip A. Trautman

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Douglas C. Spencer

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Thomas E. Badger

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Robert Franzen

**Shade of Epicurus:**

Joseph S. Gresko

**Shade of John:**

Joseph E. Bourcy III

**Spirit of Evil:**

Bruce R. Horncastle

**Spirit of Masonry:**

Craig T. Mollon

**Attendant Spirits:**

Angelo DiCataldo

Kenneth J. Skidmore

**Voice of Doom:**

Eldon N. White

**32°**

Sublime Prince  
of the Royal Secret  
Following the 19°

*This degree describes the victory of the spiritual over the human in man and the conquest of appetites and passions by moral sense and reason. The Exemplar represents every Freemason eager to serve humanity but caught between self-interest and the call of duty. Duty often requires sacrifice, sometimes the supreme sacrifice.*

**Directed by:**

Lawrence E. Hood, 33°

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Ronald D. Mertens, 33°

**1st Lt. Commander:**

Charles O. Hancock

**2nd Lt. Commander:**

Charles W. Frear, 32° MSA

**Master of Ceremonies:**

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**Most Wise Master:**

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**Chancellor:**

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Cyrus Kloner

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Donald P. Fox, 32° MSA

Donald E. Freeman, 32° MSA

Mathew L. Gingold, 32° MSA

Arthur F. Maupin, 32° MSA

William Russell, 32° MSA

**Second Section**

**Directed by:**

Stephen Whittaker,

32° MSA

John E. Zabel, 33°

**Degree Assistant**

Steven M. Lysenko

**Dramatic Section**

**Prince Commander:**

David C. Sylvester

**Constans:**

Craig T. Mollon or

\*Joseph F. Oelgoetz III

**Knight Kadash:**

Ronald L. Weber or

\*Gary Burke

**Knight Rose Croix:**

Daniel R. Emerson or

\*Clifford N. Hayner II

**Knight Prince of Jerusalem:**

Joseph E. Bourcy III or

\*Cyril White

**Knight Lodge of Perfection:**

Franklin H. Ghyzel or

\*David G. Upham, Sr.

**Herald:**

Philip A. Trautman

**Captain of the Guard:**

Lawrence Bright

**Knights:**

Joseph Gingold

Duane W. Smith

**Temptations**

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Kenneth J. Skidmore

**The Stone That  
the Builders  
Rejected?**

By Don Brugger

Most York Rite Masons are familiar with the quotation from the Matthew 21: 33-46. Here the Ritual teaches that we should be content with our wages (rewards in our life). There may be, however, another side to the story. It is the story of an absentee landlord who leased his vineyard to strangers and when the harvest time came he sent his slaves to collect the produce owed him. The tenants beat one and stoned another. Again he sent slaves, more than the first and they treated them the same. Finally he sent his son saying; "surely they will respect my son." But, when the tenants saw the son coming they said to themselves, "this is the heir, let us kill him and get the inheritance," so they seized him,

threw him out of the vineyard and killed him."

The question Jesus asks of the Pharisees was: "When the owner comes, how shall he treat the tenants?" And they said, "he will put these miserable wretches to death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at harvest time. Jesus said to them, "Have you not read in the scriptures: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produce the fruits of the kingdom. The person who falls against this stone will be broken in pieces and it will crush anyone against whom it falls."

We are told here that the Pharisees recognized that Jesus was referring to himself and the treatment he will receive from

them, but the Pharisees could not move against him at that time because of his popularity with the people.

Like all of the parables told by Jesus it has more than one interpretation. It is a story of rejection, it is true, but it is also one of hope. It is not only about a piece of work deemed unfit for the Temple, but a blueprint for success.

We will all have to deal with rejection in this life, but if we stay on the right road, we will in the end, gain our reward. If we do not get that to which we aspire, that job, that respect or planned reward for service, we should not despair, but, rely on the ultimate reward given those who persevere in life. (Parable - An allegorical story which makes one specific point. Allegory - A story that makes several points.)

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# York Rite NEWS

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Royal Arch Masons  
29th Capitular District



R.E. Stephen Licht

**November dates**

I am pleased to report that Western Star Chapter No. 35 will confer the Mark Master Degree on Thursday, November 18th at 8:00 p.m. Any Chapter wishing to bring candidates is cordially invited to do so. All Companions are invited to be present for the evening's Ceremony.

At our District Breakfast Meeting in Attica on Sunday, November 7th at 9:00 a.m., I would like you to consider a multi-Chapter Installation Ceremony for the millennium as a topic for discussion.

**Think about it**

In Freemasonry, Ritual is the medium through which we instruct candidates. Impressively executed Ritual is far more effective than a mono-tone reading from a book or piece of paper. When Royal Arch Masons put forth little effort as Royal Arch Masons, what can we legitimately expect from our new members? I have often posed this question to myself in silence and aloud in the Tabernacle... "would this be acceptable practice in the Lodge?" Take a moment and think about when the last time you saw your Lodge officers read their parts from the "Blue Book". I really had to ponder that one a while, because it just plain isn't the way things are done in Freemasonry. Now, I ask, why do we allow, permit and encourage this same low level of expectation in the York Rite?

I am proud when I see a Companion learning the Ritual and doing his best to present it. Not everyone is of the same ability, nor is that necessarily a desirable characteristic. When I see officers who have presented excellent work in the Symbolic Lodge, now reading the work in the Chapter, and stumbling over the words, I wonder WHY they have set such a low expectation of themselves? In Masonry, as in the world, men will rise or fall to whatever level of expectation is placed on them. The US Air Force summed it up with the slogan, AIM HIGH.

The enthusiasm and abilities demonstrated by several of the newer Companions of 3X3, Arcade and Western Star are noteworthy. I look forward to seeing more of their good work, both in the Ritual and the activities of the District.

**3x3 Chapter  
NO. 333  
Royal Arch Masons**  
(Chartered in 1990)



E. J. David Goodrich  
High Priest - 392-3384  
E. Karl Heinz-Reich,  
Secretary - 426-6836  
133 S. Union Street  
Spencerport, N.Y. 14559

2nd Tue.  
7:30 p.m.

**My Companions**

Our 3X3 Chapter is off to a flying Fall start!

On September 14th we conferred the Mark Master Mason and Past Master Degrees with W. Richard Kessler of Etolian Lodge No. 479 as our candidate. The work was well presented, thanks to all the following: R.E. Vernon G. Rupert, R.E. Karl-Heinz Reich, R.E. Ruel R. Lovett, Companion J. Edward Gillott, V.E. James McConnell, R.E. James J. Powell and Companions Larry Bright, Larry Thibault and George Springett.

**A visitor comes to our aid**

We were also appreciative of visiting Companion Donald Happ from Florida, who assisted by serving as Principal Sojourner. Our candidate will receive the Most Excellent Master Degree when Hiram Chapter No. 62 schedules it again. I deeply appreciate their cooperation and willingness in this endeavor.

**Welcome**

I'm pleased to inform you we have accepted to membership in our Chapter R.E. C. Ray Hager. He comes to us from Livonia No. 331. R.E. Hager served as High Priest of No. 331 in 1959 and served as an active Grand Representative to North Carolina from 1977 to 1982.

By the end of October we increased our membership by four interested and active Companions.

**Out with the old, in with the new**

Our Nominating Committee, under the Chairmanship of V.E. James McConnell, is at work. Our year 2000 officers must be nominated, elected and installed at our December 14th convocation. I'm pleased to announce that R.E. Jay McCullough, Past Grand Master of the First Veil, Grand Chapter of the State of New York, will serve as Installing Officer.

**Wanted**

3X3 Chapter is in need of a Royal Arch Standard and Banner. If any Chapter has one not in use, please contact me at 392-7384.

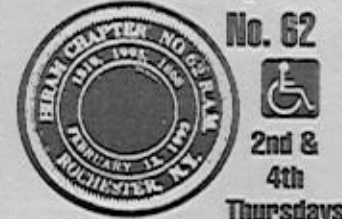
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## Hiram Chapter



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**Canadian visit**

Companions, the Canadians came! The annual across the border visitation of Orient Chapter and Hiram Chapter occurred Saturday, October 9th, with Hiram Chapter being the host and Orient Chapter doing the traveling.

The Hospitality Room was opened on Friday evening, hosted by Bruce Horncastle and his lady, Janet. There were 5 Companions and 2 ladies from Canada, led by their 1st Principal, E. Jim Doherty and his lady, Linda, R.E. Ian Nichols and his lady, Jean, V.E. Greg Robinson, R.E. Dave Danniels and E. Steve Boyko, the future 1st Principal as of this November.

The MMM Degree was portrayed for our visitors in Cathedral Hall on Saturday afternoon. Dinner was at the 4 Point Sheraton, followed by a reception in the Hospitality Room. Hopefully everyone had a good time. Many, many thanks to Bill Lindsay and Tom Paglia, co-organizers for the whole weekend, and Doug Koenig and his assistant, Bill Lindsay, for a fantastic lunch on Saturday, preceding the Degree. John Dudley, as next year's High Priest, has already started planning our trip to Orient Chapter.

**Meetings**

There are only two meetings left this year. The program for November 11th is still undecided as of this time. It will not be the Holy Royal Arch Degree. Our candidate will have had it conferred in Utica on Saturday the 16th of October at the RAM/Cryptic Festival.

The December 9th meeting will be the Election of Hiram Chapter Officers.

Plan ahead for November 17th. That date is when the three local York Rite Bodies: Hiram Chapter, Doric Council and Cyrene/Monroe Commandery are planning to meet in a joint session to be hosted by Doric Council. I urge all members of Hiram Chapter to make the effort to attend.

As your High Priest, it is my hope to see you at one of the last two, if not both, of our convocations remaining this year. Until then, may our God above watch over you and yours until we meet again.



M.E. Arnold Palmer, Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter, RAM, tells of the one that got away.



E. James Doherty, 1st Principal, Orient Chapter, presenting The Traveling Trophy to R.E. Larry Dunn, High Priest of Hiram.



Companion John Dudley, Scribe of Hiram Chapter, and his wife, Crystal, at the Hiram/Orient get-together.



E.: Bruce Horncastle, PHP (standing), Companion Doug Koenig, Master of the 3rd Veil, and Companion Tom Kendig, Royal Arch Captain (aka: Larry, Moe & Shemp). (Photos courtesy Linda Zahn)

**Doric Council  
No. 19  
Cryptic Masons**  
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**3rd  
Wednesdays**

**William R. Lindsay, III, Master**  
621-3573  
**L. Edward Walker, Recorder**  
647-2382

**875 Main St. East  
Rochester, N.Y. 14605**

In my last article I reported that Companion and Recorder L. Edward Walker had rather suddenly undergone open heart surgery. Such medical treatment is always very serious and I asked at that time for Brothers and Companions to keep this good man and Mason in their thoughts and prayers. As I write this article, Ed is recovering at home and in his own words, "getting better every day."

Over the years I have seen many people who have had to cope with the stress of the unexpected downturn of events, the blindsiding setback, the disappointment of failed aspirations. People react differently to these circumstances. Some are permanently crippled by the experience; others, like Ed, seem to do what they have to do to get through the experience and get on with their lives, adapting, when necessary to a new normalcy.

Most of us know people in the former group, ones who continually share with us the pain of the experience, whatever it was, as if it happened last week; somehow they seem unable to let go, driven by an unconscious belief that in retelling the woe, they may somehow be able to move beyond the searing pain that disables them and eats away the potential of their life. When any of us is the listener in one of these tales of woe, we soon note that our presence serves a purpose; we are a

convenient outlet for the speaker, but not personally important to the retelling of the tale; just a mirror for a spinning hard drive, unable to reset itself.

The more important question is how do those who handle adversity do it? My observation is that people like Ed Walker (and John Walker, Fran Warburton, and Ted Theodor, to name just a few Masons whom many of us know) build and structure their lives on principles and commitments larger than themselves. They are the living proof of good men always becoming better, continually building the Spiritual Temple of a righteous life. Their life direction is guided by their beliefs more than their positive or negative daily experiences.

When George Peter wrote in the Introduction to the Leadership Development Course that "Masonry is a philosophy, a way of life", I am certain this is what he had in mind. I am certain each of us benefits, and become better Masons when we "walk and talk, and have our being" among such men as these.

**Nundawaga  
Council No. 92**

**4th Monday  
West Main Street  
LeRoy, NY 14482**

**Ill.: Daniel N. Evans  
Master  
492-2807**

**Ill.: Vernon Rupert  
Recorder  
343-8429**

**Greetings, Companions**

Our weather is changing; the Summer has come and gone. It seems that October weather was acting like November's! It sure has turned cold. However, we cannot complain too much about the weather as there have been no tornadoes or floods in this area.

**Official Visit**

Nundawaga Council No. 92 was visited by R.:L.: E. William

Whittaker, Grand Principal Conductor of the Work. He was conducted to the East by R.:L.: Douglas S. Poole, District Deputy of the 8th Cryptic District. He was received in the East and afforded Grand Honors, after which he was presented the gavel. He informed us about some of the changes taking place in Grand Council.

**Degree**

A Royal Masters Degree was planned for this meeting. Three candidates were to take the Degree at this time. However, we were notified at the last minute that the Companions had to work. Therefore, a Royal and Select Masters Degree will be planned for one of our Spring meetings. A Super Excellent Degree is also in the planning stage.

**Table Council**

A Table Council is planned for our November 22nd meeting, with the ladies invited. Come and have an enjoyable evening of friendship and fellowship. The place will be LeRoy Temple, located at 8 West Main Street, LeRoy. There will be a Ham Dinner at \$7.00 per person. Please be sure to get your reservations in by November 13th by calling Vern Rupert at 343-8429 or me at 492-2807.

**Oops!**

I did it again! It seems I am always forgetting something! In the last issue of this paper, the names of the Officers of Nundawaga Council No. 92 were listed. At that time, Companion Robert Forbes was omitted as Sentinel. I am very sorry that this happened.

**Zone 11  
News**

**SK Ronald Bertie, PGC  
Zone Advisor**

**SK Howard C. Colegrove,  
Zone Commander**

As you read this the Zone 11 Zone School of Instruction is over. All who attended are very proud of themselves for the wonderful work of the evening. Well done, Zone 11.

**Please note**

Grand Commandery on the State and National level, is trying to gain 2,000 new members for the year 2000. Please look over your Chapter and Blue Lodge members. Tell them what we have to offer and sign up a new member for York Rite. Commandery is looking for a large group of new Sir Knights.

Lend a hand, sign up a new member now.

**New dates**

The Fall Pilgrimage will start with the Order of the Red Cross, scheduled for Monday, November 15th at 7:30 p.m. at the Downtown Masonic Temple, Rochester.

We will then do the Order of Malta on Monday, December 6th at 7:30 p.m., also at the Downtown Temple.

Come and see the Orders put on.

The Order of the Temple will be sometime after the new year arrives, as we will be trying to comply with the wishes of James Morris Ward, KGC, Grand Master. He would like to have 2000 new Knight Templars by February 5th, 2000. Our Zone will be working in this direction.

Please look for additional information in this column in the near future.

**Regional Seminar**

We are looking forward to the Regional Seminar. Zone 11 can make the one in Attica at the Masonic Temple on November 6th at 8:30 a.m. or go to Utica Temple on Saturday, November 20th from 8:30 a.m. through lunch at noon. Sir Knights, make a strong effort to attend. A large amount of knowledge will be passed on to us from a great group of people.

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**SK Douglas S. Poole  
Commander 584-3601**

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

**Inspiring weekend**

I have just returned from a very Biblical Grand Commandery in Suffern, NY. Some have compared the weather conditions to the Great Flood! Those at the

hotel on Thursday night felt like they were wandering through the wilderness with Moses! Even with all the problems, it was a very inspiring and worthwhile weekend.

**Local business**

The Fall Pilgrimage has been cancelled. Instead, we will be conferring the Orders at our regular meetings. The Order of the Red Cross will be Monday, November 15th. On December 6th will be The Order of Malta, in full form. If you are a bit rusty, these nights would be a good chance to regain the knowledge they impart and have some good fellowship.

**Knights Templar**

If you are a Christian Mason, you should be a Knights Templar. Our Order is founded on the same principles that guided the Crusaders to the Holy Land. These teachings should be the guides for all our lives. Ask a Sir Knight what we are about. You might be surprised!

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(center) SK Doug Poole, Eminent Commander of Cyrene/Monroe Commandery with his wife, Ruth, and Installing Commander, SK Ronald Bertie, Grand Recorder and PGC, on Installation Night.

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Chicken Dinner 6:30 p.m. 3rd Floor Dining Room

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# Lalla Rookh GROTTO

## News

Patrol  
Legion  
Caldron



Ron Morthorst, Monarch

### M.O.V.P.E.R. Monarch



Ronald Morthorst

### Monarch's Message

I hope that all our Prophets and their families are in good health as the seasons are changing and we start to think about the holidays ahead. October has been a busy month for my wife, Marilyn, and myself, with all the Monarchs Balls and other activities going on.

As I reported last month, PM Ken Milner was elected President of the ESGA, PM Michael Bell elected Marshal and our Chief Justice, Leon VanHuben, elected Secretary of the ESGA. A hearty congratulations to them.

At the Fall Convention in Warren, PA, we marched in the pass and review and took 1st place; PM Dick Topel received 1st place in the Golf Tournament and the ESGA received an extra donation from our winnings. Yes! Lalla Rookh Grotto is alive and going strong.

### Note the change

At our October 20th meeting nominations were made for the officers for the year 2000. This had been moved from the November meeting.

### Joint meeting

Prophets, we have been invited by Doric Council to join them for a special entertainment meeting featuring Paul Stillman portraying Teddy Roosevelt on November 17th. Reservations for dinner are a must...yes, your lady is invited, also your family may attend. Your Grotto will pay for your dinner and you will pay for your wife and guests. PM Dick Topel is taking reservations at 663-2547. All reservations will be honored.

### Monarch's Ball

November 6th is our Monarch's Ball. Make a date with your lady and join us for a great evening of food, entertainment and festivities. See the ad on this page for details.

### Sickness and distress

Prophet Bob Barcham is at St. Ann's Nursing Home. Stop in and say "hello". We wish him a speedy recovery.

### 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, NY 14616.

The Stamp Program is available also at the Grotto meetings. Many things are in our Fall schedule-Monarch's Ball, No-

vember 7th; we are moving ahead to start a clown unit; the Greeter's are back and there is more to come.

We are involved in Santa's Helpers at Hillside Children's Center, this is our 2nd year. Yes, this is open to Prophets and their ladies who wish to help by calling me at 334-4196 for more information. □

### Legion of Honor

By Leon J. VanHuben, Commdr.

All Prophets with military experience are welcome to join this unit. We meet the 3rd Monday of the month at the Dutch Mill, at the corner of Stone Road and Dewey Avenue, at 6:30 p.m. for dinner. Reservations are required, so please call Prophet Al Pulcino at 225-8471. The meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. Remember, a reservation made is a reservation paid. The November meeting will be nomination of officers for 2000. □

### Empire State Grotto Association

By Ken Milner, President

My thanks to all the Prophets of Lalla Rookh Grotto who attended the ESGA Convention in September and helped to elect me as President. It has been thirty years since Lalla Rookh has had a President of the ESGA, the last being PM George M. Kimmel in 1970. What makes this so meaningful is that George Kimmel nominated me for the office of Steward of Lalla Rookh Grotto in 1972. PM George passed away a few years before I became Monarch in 1979.

This next year will be a busy one for Lalla Rookh as we will be hosting the 74th ESGA Convention in September at the Canandaigua Inn. We have several committees hard at work planning this event. If you are asked to help, please say yes! Save the dates and plan on attending, September 14-16, 2000. If you have never attended a Convention of the ESGA, here is your chance.

### Busy times

I congratulate PM Michael Bell on being elected Marshal of the ESGA and Prophet Leon VanHuben as the Secretary. Lalla Rookh will now have several busy years. □

### Dates to Remember

Mon., Nov. 1st-Board of  
Governors 7:00 p.m.  
Grotto Office  
Sat., Nov. 6th-Monarch's  
Ball Radisson Inn  
Thurs., Nov. 11th-Caldron  
regular meeting  
Wed., Nov. 18th-Grotto  
meeting Teddy  
Roosevelt 7:30 p.m.  
Dinner 6:15 p.m. with  
reservation  
Wed., Nov. 18th-Caldron  
Executive Council

Attend Grotto  
Meetings  
Enjoy the Fellowship

### Chief Justice

Prophets and their ladies are all welcome to attend the open meeting on November 17th as guests of Doric Council. The feature will be Paul Stillman portraying Teddy Roosevelt. Make dinner reservations with Dick Topel, in advance, at 663-2547. Let's make this evening one to remember. □

### Caldron News

#### Greetings to all!

We send birthday greetings to Harriet Riggs!

#### Coming events

November 11th will be a regular meeting and there will be an Executive Council meeting on November 18th.

#### Under the weather

Now that Fall is here, please pick up your phone or drop our shut-ins a note to let these people know we are thinking of them.

#### In closing

At the Supreme Session, Lalla Rookh Caldron No. 68 was awarded the Traveling Enchanted Lantern for the 2nd year in a row, as we had twenty Enchanted Lanterns. There was good time had by all who attended Supreme Sessions. A luncheon was held for Supreme American Flag Bearer, June Gudgel-Nash, and there was a good turnout.

Best of luck to our new officers as their year begins.

Wishing you all a Happy Thanksgiving, we look forward to seeing you at our next meeting. Farewell!! □

### One of the Charities to which the Service Bureau contributes needs help

Cameron Ministries, located at 48 Cameron Street, needs the following wish list:

#### Clothing

Men's clothing - large; socks - all sizes\*; women's underwear - all sizes\*; men's underwear - all sizes\*; baby's layette items such as receiving blankets, sleepers/nighties; baby wipes\*; chubby children's clothing; boys - all sizes; girl's - sizes 4,5,6; boy's underwear - all sizes\*.

#### House

All sizes of sheets, blankets, bedspreads and pillows; TOPS register tapes; infant car seats, cribs and playpens; cooking utensils, dishes, pots, pans, silverware, towels and washcloths\*.

#### Personal hygiene items

Trial size mouthwash; baby care items and products (Desitin or A&D cream), baby powder\*; hand/bath soap; diapers; shampoo/conditioner; shaving cream and razors\*; deodorant\*; toothbrushes and toothpaste\*; sanitary pads\*; toilet paper; Kleenex.

#### Kitchen supplies and food

One gallon storage or freezer bags; dish soap; Lysol; full size aprons; sturdy folding tables (6-8 ft.); paper products (napkins, towels, plates, cups); coffee; fruit cocktail; juice boxes - bottles and/or cans; sugar; spaghetti sauce\*; vegetable soup; canned vegetables; aluminum foil.

Note: \* means there is an urgent need for this item.

Any questions regarding the above items, please call Barbara

at Cameron Ministries at 254-2697 or me at 227-2046.

Thank you for your generous support. Masons are always there to help. □

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For the past eighty years, Masons and adult volunteers have been teaching DeMolay youth the importance of charity. The DeMolays who took part in relief efforts helped to shine a little bit of light and hope into the lives of some very deserving people. Perhaps more importantly, though, by taking an active part in their

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# Damascus Temple No. 2 Shrine News

Potentate - George Simon



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## FROM THE POTENTATE



**GEORGE SIMON**  
392-4276  
Shrine Office  
671-7701

### Safe journey

As the days get shorter, there is a chill in the air and color comes to the trees. It will be time for the geese to start their long journey South. It is also time for some of our snowbirds to start packing for their travels. We wish them a safe journey and will miss them until they return.

As our year of 1999 winds down, we must not wind down on our goal to bring new Nobles into the Shrine. Our Cold Sands in December needs candidates. As the Fall is the time to harvest the crops, so should we start to harvest Brothers into our Shrine.

### Condolences

The past month was a very sad month for the Masonic family and myself. The sudden passing of our Brother and Noble Bill Baldwin left a void in our lives. His Fraternal accomplishments were many and he will be greatly missed. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to his family.

### Calendars

The 2000 Calendars are at the Mosque and ready for distribution. Take as many as you feel you can sell. If you need more, you can always get them. Remember to return the full stub and the monies collected, so that they can be recorded.

### Boston trip

The Imperial trip to Boston in July is almost completely filled. I have now reserved 3 buses and 66 rooms. No room can be reserved without a \$200.00 deposit per couple. If you are planning to join us for a fantastic time at the Imperial Convention, please send in

your money as soon as possible. As of this writing, there are only 11 rooms remaining.

Drop a pebble in the water,  
And its ripples reach out far,  
And the sunbeams dancing on them  
May reflect them to a star.

Give a smile so someone passing,  
Thereby making his morning glad;  
It may greet you in the evening  
When your own heart may be sad.

Do a deed of simple kindness,  
Though its end you may not see,  
It may reach, like widening ripples,  
Down a long eternity. □

## The Bill Lennox Class December 1, 1999 Damascus Temple

By Bruce Chilton

Damascus Temple is proud to name the next class of Shriners the Bill Lennox Class, in honor of a great man and Mason, R.W. William Charlton Lennox.

R.W. Bill was born on April 9, 1902. At 97 years young, he still attends Lodge on a regular basis and can be seen mouthing the words of the Ritual as it is performed.

For 45 years he worked at Genesee Rochester, printing plates, retiring in 1968 as its President. Bill has always been known as a gentleman ready to extend a helping hand and an incident that happened while at work demonstrates that. R.W. Mat Gingold, of Valley/Simes Lodge No. 109, was in charge of producing his class yearbook while he was attending RIT. He went to Bill for help and help he got. Mat says that no one has ever produced such a fine yearbook so much under budget either before or since his year. Although there are other incidents of Bill helping students, as is his nature, Bill will not talk of them. Retirement did not stop Bill's generosity. He was a driver for Meals On Wheels for the Visiting Nurse Service. He also taught Sunday School for many years and was Trustee of the Universalist Church.

He and his wife, Lois, now deceased, raised 3 daughters and a son, who in turn have given him 11 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. One of his daughters lived in Tunis, where he yearly visited. He still travels each year to visit his children.

R.W. Bill was made a Master Mason in November of 1923 and elected Master of the then Ancient Craft Lodge No. 943 in 1935. (Ancient Craft No. 943 has since become East Rochester's Ancient Craft Lodge No. 943). After serving the Craft in that position for his year, Bill became the Treasurer for several years. In 1940 he was appointed as the District Deputy Grand Master of the First Monroe District. Today he is the oldest past DDGM in the Monroe District.

He is a member of numerous Masonic organizations, namely, Scottish Rite, Damascus Shrine Temple, The Royal Order of the Jesters, Hiram Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, and Cyrene/Monroe Commandery. He has been a member of his Lodge for 76 years and a member of the Shrine for over 65 years.

After R.W. Bill became a Master Mason he immediately got involved with Lodge activities by serving on various committees and filling various officers chairs before stepping into line in 1926. He became an outstanding ritualist. Bill was so proficient that he was able to confer the 2nd Degree just two years after becoming a Mason. Bill's year as Master of his Lodge was one of total involvement. Although only two men were raised that year, it was an outstanding year. He had entertaining and varied programs. He involved the families and had many interesting speakers.

In May of 1940, Bill was appointed to the position of District Deputy Grand Master of the First Monroe District. One of the highlights of his year was at a Lodge installation. The nervous newly installed Master welcomed everyone, gave his address, and sat down. Unfortunately he sat down on his brand new top hat, causing considerable damage to it. Ancient Craft held a homecoming for R.W. Bill on April 23, 1941 and the then Deputy Grand Master showed his respect for Bill by agreeing to be the guest speaker for the evening.

In 1986 Bill received an award from the Purple Club of Monroe County honoring him as an outstanding Mason and for his many years of service to Masonry and mankind.

It is truly an honor and a privilege for Damascus Shrine Temple to honor this man among Masons by naming a Class after him. Please join us in our celebration for the Bill Lennox Class of 1999. □

and neighbors to join our Fraternity, by becoming members of the Blue Lodge, Scottish Rite, or York Rite, they will become eligible to be members of the Shrine Cold Sands Ceremonial. This event will take place the first of December. If you know a Brother who wants to become a Noble, give him a petition to join.

The only date scheduled for the Degree Team is December 21st at Craftsman/Robertson Lodge. Nobles, if you know of any Lodge that wants us to portray the 3rd Degree, please let us know. Any Past Master who wants to join us, please call either Bill Kuehne at 671-8774 or me at 671-1917.

### Do you just belong?

Are you an active Noble, the kind who would be missed?  
Or are you just contented that your name is on the list?  
Do you attend the meetings and mingle with the crowd,  
Or do you stay at home and crab both long and loud?  
Do you take an active part to help the Shrine along,  
Or are you satisfied to be the kind to just belong?  
Do you ever go to visit the member who is sick,  
Or leave the work for just a few and talk about the clique?  
There is quite a program scheduled, which means success if done.

It can be accomplished with the help of everyone.  
So attend meetings regularly and help with hand and heart.  
Don't just be a member, but take an active part.

Think this over. Are we right or wrong? Are you an active Noble, or do you just belong? Remember, this little poem pertains to all of us at one time or another. With your help we can strive for Damascus Temple to get more Nobles and the Director's Staff to have more members. I need your assistance. We need more Nobles to join us. □

Zama Temple

Daughters  
of the Nile

By PQ Jean R. Friedrich

We enjoyed the visit of our Supreme Queen, Ginger Franklin, of Jacksonville, Florida, on October 10th. Our officers performed well at the Ceremonial, where we welcomed our new member, Pr. Jane Kahn. Please be sure to greet her when you see her at the Temple.

### Some history

At the November 13th Stated Session, we will celebrate Founders Day. Zama Temple was formed 77 years ago. In 1922, 37 women met in the Powers Hotel, and decided to institute a Daughters of the Nile Temple in Rochester. On November 27, 1922, the new Temple was constituted with 18 members taking the obligation. The name chosen was "Zama", which was an ancient city near Carthage.

### Save the date!

On November 17th through the 20th, we will hold our annual

Giant Garage and Next-to-New Sale at the Mosque. Ladies, here is your opportunity to bring in all your surplus good, clean clothes (on hangers) and benefit our Temple as well. We also need usable, working appliances and household items that you no longer want. This is our big once-a-year sale, so be sure to come and work with us and shop-til-you drop! □

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As I glance out the window I notice that the leaves are falling. It is a time of the year that we travel into the countryside and notice the various colors that Mother Nature has bestowed upon us, we could not ask for a more picturesque sight.

Coming back to reality, we must take into consideration that we have one goal to accomplish. We have to persuade our friends

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**Deadlines?**

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that. Some constructive suggestions might be in order here.

**The timetable**

The *Masonic Times* has seen some improvements during the last few years, it is true, one of them being the ability to prepare and deliver the paper in less than two weeks from the deadline, (i.e. deadline to your mail box, if the Post Office cooperates). The production, however, still involves setting, verifying and proofing forty to fifty-thousand words of copy, generating half tone images for an average of fifteen pictures per issue, printing and mailing. That used to take five people three weeks. We now do it with four people in less than two; a reduction of around 7 days. That's with a fairly liberal deadline policy.

**The policy**

The deadline is not established in a capricious manner, it must take into account numerous factors. They are:

1. the holidays, 2. whether the normal date falls within a week end, 3. our printers schedule (we are not his only customers), and 4. the foibles of the U.S. Postal Service.

The deadline, for the most part, is on the 12th of the month. If that falls within a week end, most would miss it and this could shorten our available preparation time by one or two days. If it is on the 12th, however, we have an average of about 18 days left.

The staff and I usually work one Saturday during that time, so, we will reduce that number by only 3 days (Sats. & Suns.), leaving 15 days for production. Our

Printer does not work on Saturdays or most legal holidays which means that we have to get it to him on a weekday, preferably not a Friday; that would mean it wouldn't be printed until the following week (two days lost). Now we are down to 13 available days. Most of our readers would like their paper before the first of the month, so they will know about those early monthly meetings; say 4 to 5 days for the Postal Service to deliver, an operation over which we have little control. This leaves 8 or 9 days days, give or take a few. That's just about what it takes. Have I lost anyone yet?

**The why & how**

The point of this long harangue is that deadlines are necessary. Somewhere in the scheme of things there must be a cut-off, after which we cannot go and still get the paper to our subscribers in a timely manner. The deadline is a deliberate and reasonably determined date, we just don't throw darts at the calendar. For some that time can never be realistically established because of poor planning on their part.

You must ask yourself what is old news, what is new news and how much is necessary to convey that information. Old news can be written using past meeting agendas and the outcome of past events. New news can be written from your trestleboards. In between is that grey area where you must choose just how much you can report. You can usually tell from reservations and past experience how things will turn out. Beyond that, we have repeatedly offered to make changes and additions to articles up to the time that we take the paper to the printer.

The important thing is to get your article in on time, even if incomplete. We then can then allocate your space in the paper and plan accordingly. That's what the deadline is all about. It is difficult to guess from whom and when late arrivals will come in. The *Times* does not want to leave anyone out even if they are late, but there is a limit beyond which no more additions or changes can be made.

To answer the original question asked by our Master, no, throwing more money at this situation will not make a difference. What will make a difference is more careful planning on the submitter's part. I have always advised starting your next article as soon as you have handed in the current one. That's not as crazy an idea as you might think. In your trestleboard you already have your outline. Start fleshing it out as your schedule progresses and things come to mind. Then all you have to do is add to it as things happen, submit it by the deadline and possibly phone, FAX or e-mail in any last minute additions. If it is too late, it will be next month's news. I hope that this answers some of the questions you really wanted answered, but were afraid to ask.

**Invitation**

If anyone would like to visit the *Times* Office and have a look, we would be happy to show them around. If you have any concerns or complaints, please call the Editor (9 to noon, Mon. - Fri.), he is the only one ultimately responsible for the operation of the paper. Don't be late. December *Times* deadline is Nov. 9th. Good writing!

one to be applauded, but earlier this year the Chapter added eight others, a total of 14 new members. This gives our District a total of 20 new members for 1999. Congratulations Genesee/Wyoming District and all of our new members. We wish our new Brothers and Sisters many fulfilling Eastern Star experiences.

**New Appointed Officers**


We extend our congratulations and best wishes to our newly appointed Grand Officers of our District. Rt. Wthy. Janet Lee of Batavia Chapter No. 267 will be our new District Deputy Grand Matron. Rt. Wthy. Timothy Buckman of Perry Chapter No. 497 will be our new District Grand Lecturer. They will be installed at Grand Chapter Sessions at Lake Placid on October 27th. We hope they have a fulfilling year. □

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It is hard to believe, but our year as Grand Officers is over. Genesee/Wyoming District has accomplished a lot, all of which we can be very proud of! Rt. Wthy. John and I have had a wonderful year, full of memorable Eastern Star experiences and fellowships. We both find our vocabulary lacking for words to thank our Sisters and Brothers in the District for all they have done to contribute to this year.

**Zinni Fund**

One of our main projects this year was to continue to raise funds for Robert Zinni of Batavia. Robert is a 12 year old boy being treated for leukemia. He is in remission, but will need to have treatments until April of 2000. Monies were raised through a Walk-a-Thon last Fall, individual contributions, 50/50 events, and containers placed in our communities and individual Chapters. This year our District was able to raise over \$3,400 for the Zinni family to help off-set medical expenses. Hooray, Genesee/Wyoming District!

**District Homecoming**

A Homecoming was held for our District Grand Officers on Friday, October 1st at the First Congregational Church in Java Village. Honored were Rt. Wthy. Carole Makowski, Associate Grand Marshal; Rt. Wthy. Nancy Specht, District Deputy Grand Matron; Rt. Wthy. John Specht, District Grand Lecturer; and Rt. Wthy. Annette Simmons, Grand Representative of Mississippi.

Matron and Patron of the evening were Junior Past District Deputy, Rt. Wthy. Charlotte Barnard, and Junior Past District Lecturer, Rt. Wthy. Norman Steinbaugh. Special music was sung by Rt. Wthy. Geraldine Yauchzy and the Matrons and Patrons of the G/W District. Many 1999 Grand Officers were in attendance. We were honored by the presence of Most Wthy. Robert Devling, Grand Patron, 1993. It was a beautiful evening, enjoyed by the honorees, as well as the 65 Brothers, Sisters and families in attendance.

**Around the District**

On Tuesday, October 5th, Perry Chapter No. 497, initiated six new members into their Chapter. This achievement by itself is

**From the District Deputy Grand Matron**

This is my first column of the new Eastern Star year. By the time you read this, Grand Chapter Sessions in Lake Placid will be over. As your newly installed District Deputy Grand Matron, I am still somewhat shaken and in awe of the Ritual and festival rites of installation. I am looking forward to a year of satisfying work and service, with many moments of fun and maybe some frolic.


Let me tell you a bit about myself. I have been a member of Charlotte Chapter for 14 years. I have been married to the District Grand Lecturer for the past 36 years. We have three married children, two large unruly dogs, four large unruly grandsons, one granddaughter and bushels of friends we have made through the Order and Masonry, in general. I am a doting grandmother, and spoil my grandkids shamelessly. I enjoy most of the same things Rt. Wthy. Michael does, and he does know a lot more song lyrics than I. I am a payroll specialist by day and a spare time quilter. I have been sewing since I was nine years old. I am allergic to housework, but will do craft stuff at the drop of a mop. The one thing I dislike is not having time enough to do all the things I enjoy. Does anyone know of a store that sells time? I would sure like to buy some!

Rt. Wthy. Michael and I have a lot of plans for the year 2000. Doesn't that have a strange sound-2000? But we are not going to unveil them all at once, life is sweeter with some surprises.

**From the District Grand Lecturer**


I guess I should provide a thumbnail sketch of myself, so that those of you who do not know me will be more comfortable dur-

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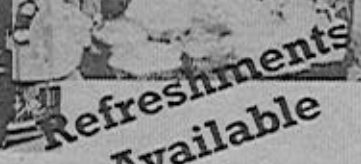
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**Lighting of the Christmas tree at  
5:30pm**

ing District activities or Chapter meetings.

I am originally from Cambridge, Massachusetts. I'm a dyed-in-the-wool New England Patriots fan. I know all the words to most songs, and some of the melodies. I have five grandchildren, all the apples of my eye. I like puns and knock-knock jokes. I am a Harvard graduate. I like to cook, and love to sing. My dogs, Kelsie and Dempsey, play me like a fiddle. I drink beer at cellar temperature. I lived on the Navajo Indian Reservation for a while. I still bleed about Bill Buckner's miscue in the World Series when the Red Sox lost to the Mets. I know the difference between a half-nelson and a half-windsor. I have a stocked wine cellar. Ask me about any of those things.

Doris and I hope to make support the the armed forces of our country an immediate and continuing concern for the Monroe District. I have found out that manufacturer's coupons can be used at PX facilities and commissaries both in this country and overseas. The various service branches have established systems whereby coupons can be donated and then distributed to military families. Those of you who have experienced life on military pay know the rigors and strictures. Military commissaries will redeem coupons until six months after the printed expiration date.

I would ask that you all clip and collect all coupons that you will not use—especially those that might be of value to families with young children (cereal, diapers, baby food, detergents, etc.). The most efficient method of collection would probably be for individual members to give the coupons to the Matron, or secretary, who could then forward the materials to me. This is a most worthwhile cause which will cost us nothing more than time, effort and possibly some paper cuts. I look forward to your wholehearted cooperation.

On November 6th is the East-West Luncheon at Cartwright's on West Henrietta Road. Social time is at 11:30 a.m., lunch is at noon.

November 27th is the combined Reception and Tea for the 2000 Grand Officers in Doric Hall, Downtown Masonic Temple at 2:00 p.m.

**Right Worthy Everett Vail Elected Associate Grand Patron**



By R. W. Earl Steffen

On October 27, 1999, at the Grand Chapter Session held in Lake Placid, Rt. Wthy. Everett Vail was elected and installed as Associate Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star of the State of New York.

Brother Vail was raised in Churchville Lodge No. 667 in 1957 and was Master in 1965 and 1967. He was appointed Grand Steward of the Grand Lodge in 1968 and has also served as Secretary and Treasurer of the Lodge. He currently holds a dual membership in Eagle Lodge No. 619 in Honeoye, NY, where he was Master in 1992.

**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  
 20 South Main Street  
 Churchville, N. Y. 14428

**By Wthy. Avis Theis Meetings**

A beautiful Fall for all of us to enjoy and come to Chapter on November 2nd, Election Night. Rt. Wthy. Carol Wynings and Maryanne Sovocool are the Committee.

November 16th is Memorial Night and Neighbors Night. The



Wthy. Jessie Johnson receiving her 75 Year Membership Certificate from Wthy. Kim Morici, Matron of Nola Chapter.

**Rochester Chapter No. 314**  
*Order of the Eastern Star*  
 Matron  
 Wthy. Linda Zahn 381-4241  
 Secretary  
 Rt. Wthy. BARBARA MERTENS  
 482-0994  
 First Saturday 7:30 P.M.  
 875 East Main Street  
 Rochester, N. Y. 14605

**Over and done!**  
 Following our October meeting we held a surprise "Boast, Roast and Toast" party for Rt.



Rt. Wthy. Audrey Zufall - mother (seated) with daughter, Rt. Wthy. Barbara E. Spano - PDDGM, granddaughter, Sis. Corinne Martelli, and great-granddaughter, Nicole Martelli, Fidelity Triangle.

Rt. Wthy. Everett is a member of Eagle Star Chapter No. 350, Order of the Eastern Star in Honeoye and has served as Worthy Patron in 1994 and 1996. He was appointed District Grand Lecturer in 1997 and elected Chief Commissioner of Appeals in 1998.

Committee is Rt. Wthy. Judy and Brother John Lenzi.

**Concerns**

Wthy. Bennie Riley is home and not all that good. Do give Wthy. Bennie and Brother Charles a visit or a call. Wthy. Mabel Gruendike had a fall, but is doing better.

**Birthdays**

Our best wishes to Sisters Pat Alexander, Ethel Hall, Liz Morris, Irene Maurer, Brother Charles Daycock and Rt. Wthy. Bill Baxter.

**Time to be thankful**

Time to be thankful for health, family and friends.  
 Time to be thankful for members past and present.  
 Time to thank the Staff at the *Masonic Times* for all their efforts.  
 Time to thank our Heavenly Father for all this and more this Thanksgiving season.

sweet if you all do well. I believe that's called bribery; but no one is perfect!

**Candy sales**

Be sure and bring your candy orders that evening. For anyone who reads this and doesn't know what I'm talking about, here are the particulars. We are once again selling Gertrude Hawk chocolates. A great variety is available, including sugar free. An additional item this year is rolls of gift wrap (not chocolate covered). They are all 2 feet wide and anywhere from 11 to 20 feet long. For more info call me at 381-4241. All orders must be in to me by November 10th.

At 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 27th, there will be a Reception for the new Grand Officers at the Downtown Temple.

**Thought for the month**

"A man's true wealth is the good that he does in this world".

*Bendeline*

Bob and I wish all of you a very joyous Turkey Day.

**Frank H. Bassett, Local Movie Entrepreneur and Mason Passes**

Frank Bassett was born on October 6, 1923 in Hornell, NY. Brother Bassett was a graduate of Hornell High School and a veteran of the U.S. Army Air Force Medics, serving in World War II. He was a member of Valley/Simes Lodge No. 109 being raised there in December 1, 1969.

Frank started a long and rewarding career at the Majestic Theater in Hornell, NY moving up in position there. He was later employed as manager of a theater in Buffalo, NY and finally as Director of the Shine Theater chain here in Rochester having the responsibility of booking entertainers. Brother Frank brought many stars to the Shine Theaters such as the Monroe and Riviera. After the advent of television and the passing of the hey-day of the old style movie theaters, Frank worked at the Gannett Rochester Newspaper Company as an Account Executive, retiring in 1985.

Some time after his retirement and as long as his health permitted, Brother Bassett volunteered as an ad man for the *Masonic Times*, retiring as Ad Director Emeritus. Frank contributed much from his personal experience, adding several new features for improving our advertising. His interests were in photography and music, especially the music of the "Big Bands".

Frank was predeceased by his wife Betty (Bauer) Bassett and a brother, Norman. A Masonic Memorial Service, conducted by Valley/Simes Lodge, preceded the service on October 2nd, at Rush United Methodist Church. Interment was at the convenience of the family in Elk Run Cemetery, Watrous, PA. (Information taken from the September 27th *Rochester Democrat & Chronicle* and other sources.)



**In Memoriam September**

**Wason, Buron D.**  
 Death claimed Buron on September 13th. He was a member of Hiram Chapter, RAM and is survived by many family members and friends.

**Klump, John W.**  
 John was a member of Monroe Lodge No. 173 when he passed away on September 15th. He is survived by his wife, Pauline, 2 sons and 5 grandchildren.

**Dunn, Norman A.**  
 Norman went to be with the Lord on September 18th at the age of 77. He was a member of Wakan/Hubbard Lodge No. 154. Survivors include his wife, Lois, 4 children and 4 grandchildren.

**Mitchell, W. Ross**  
 A member of Craftsman/Robertson Lodge No. 969 and a resident of Tennessee, Ross died September 18th at the age of 89. He leaves his daughter, 8 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

**Perrine, Elton O.**  
 Germania Lodge No. 722, Rochester Consistory and Damascus Shrine Temple each lost a member with the death of Elton on September 19th. He is survived by his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

**Quermous, Jack B.**  
 Jack was called Home on September 21st. He was a member of Oakland Lodge No. 379 and is survived by his wife, Gayle, 3 children and 5 grandchildren.

**Kraai, Hubert C.**  
 The Great Architect summoned Hubert on September 22nd. He was a member of Northfield Lodge No. 426, and leaves his wife, Florence, 2 children, 3 grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

**Vaughan, Dr. Robert G.**  
 Robert entered Eternal Rest on September 24th. A member of Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge No. 1088 and Arcade Lodge No. 419, he is survived by his wife, Kay, 4 children, and 3 grandchildren.

**Gansz, Duane E.**  
 Duane was 61 years old when he died September 26th. A member of Damascus Shrine Temple, he is survived by his wife, Edythe, 4 children and 3 grandchildren.

**October**

**Michaels, Nicholas R.**  
 Nicholas was the High Priest of Ionic Chapter, RAM in 1980 and passed away on October 2nd. He is survived by his wife, Jean, 2 daughters and 4 grandchildren.

**Culver, Stephen R.**  
 Towpath Lodge No. 163 and Rochester Consistory lost a member with the passing of Stephen on October 6th at the age of 61. He leaves many friends.

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

**Snyder, Douglas M.**  
 A member of Fairport Lodge No. 476 and Rochester Consistory, Douglas died August 21st at his home in Vestal, NY.

**Plain, T. Kenneth**  
 Valley/Simes Lodge No. 109 and Rochester Consistory lost a member with the passing of Kenneth on June 25th.

# Masonic Activities Looking Ahead

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

Dec. 4 "Road to the East", 8 a.m., DTT  
Dec. 11 Masters & Wardens, 9:30 a.m., DDT

2000

Jan. 8 "Road to the East", 8 a.m., DDT

Feb. 5 "Road to the East", 8 a.m., DDT

## Lodge Rentals Available

- Etolian Lodge, Union St., Spencerport - Cap. 250**  
Tom Michielsen - 352-483, 1st Floor Commercial Space also available.
  - 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.

**Fidelity Triangle #4 - Roast Turkey - Term Dinner**  
Fame Lodge Hall - Nov. 13th, 6 p.m., Adults - \$5, Under 12 - \$3  
RSVP by Nov. 1st to: Wendy Burrows 637-3276  
No tickets at the door!



Nov. 5 - Spaghetti Dinner, Webster Ldg, 5-7 p.m. See Calendar.

Nov. 7 - Pancake Breakfast, Attica, 8: a.m. to Noon.  
Nov. 10 - Spaghetti Dinner, Clio Lodge. See Calendar.  
Nov. 12 - Fish Fry, Warsaw Lodge, 4:30 to 7:00 p.m., Ads \$6.  
Nov. 21 - Country Breakfast, Warsaw Lodge, 7:00 a.m. to Noon  
Nov. 24 - Spaghetti Dinner, Clio Lodge. See Calendar.

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**Peter Pan**  
Mon. - Fri. 8:00 p.m.  
Sat. - 2:00 & 8:00 p.m.  
Sun. - 2:00 & 7:00 p.m.

Tues. & Wed. Nov. 9 & 10  
**Gospel**  
8:00 p.m.  
Thur. - Sun. Nov. 11 - 14  
**Stomp**  
Thur. & Fri. 8:00 p.m.  
Sat. - 2:00 & 8:00 p.m.  
Sun. - 2:00 & 7:00 p.m.  
Sat., Nov. 20  
**BBF Oldies**  
8:00 p.m.

Sat., Nov. 27  
**RTOS**  
8:00 p.m.

Mon., Nov. 29 & 30  
**Blues Clues**  
8:00 p.m.

### Classifieds

Music Lessons-Beginners welcome. Piano, keyboard, organ and accordion. Call Martin Ippolito at 266-6337.

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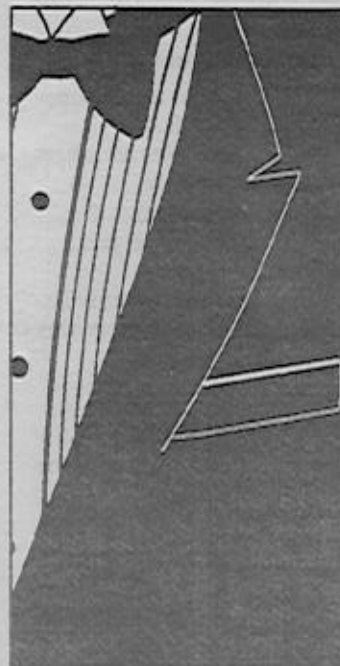
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Eagle Valley  
Monroe 3x  
Mount Vernon  
Seneca  
Webster 2x

If you see your Lodge name here, call your Master; whatever you like!  
The Deadline for the December issue is:  
**Nov. 9, 1999**

Why doesn't the fellow who says "I'm no speechmaker," let it go at that instead of giving a demonstration?

Kim Hubbard



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