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October is Symbolic Lodge Attendance Month

By Don Brugger

John Robinson in his book, "A Pilgrim's Path," suggests that one month of the year be set aside for all Masons to attend their Symbolic Lodge or a Symbolic Lodge near them. The *Masonic Times* is setting aside the Month of October, 2000 for this purpose. We hope that this will be adopted throughout the District and perhaps the State as an annual event.

The suggestion is that all Masons, no matter where they reside, attend a Symbolic or Blue Lodge during this particular month. It could be promoted as a "Rusty Brother Month" for all Lodges. The concept could be supported with phone or mail contact with all members, offers of transportation, and special dinners or programs to encourage attendance. We think that this Masonic "October SLAM" (Symbolic Lodge Attendance Month) will be a workable program, one that will catch on. Let's all get behind it and see what happens.

DCS Award to be given to Dave Crawford at Fifty-Ninth Interfaith Service And Breakfast

By Don Brugger

This year the Distinguished Community Service Award will be presented to David Crawford on October 22nd. The Breakfast, Service and Presentation will again be held at Logan's Party House on Scottsville Road.

The Service will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m., followed by the Breakfast at 10:00 a.m. The Presentation will be made by Rev. Paul R. Gleason and the Master of Ceremonies will be Jerry Flynn, 1998 recipient.

Tickets are available from your Lodge and Concordant Body Secretaries or the Service Bureau Office, no tickets will be available at the door.



Tax Deductible Contributions

By Vernon Goodrich

Brethren-the work of the Service Bureau never ends. Once again we come to you for our Annual Fund Appeal. Between now and the end of the year 2000, please send in your tax deductible contribution. Our Loan Closet alone, (medical equipment-wheelchairs, walkers, commodes, etc.) needs significant funds to purchase new units and to maintain those we already have.

In addition, the basic running of the Service Bureau and Camp DeMolay need funds to continue their operations. Your Bureau is continuously trying to find ways to work with and for the community in general, and the Masonic community in particular.

We are proud of our Service Bureau. According to letters I have received from other Grand Lodges, at most, there are only 2 or 3 other Service Bureaus in the entire country that even approach the level of service your Service Bureau provides.

Give as generously as you can. "You are a child of God, don't forget to receive your inheritance". (Author unknown)

Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Awards Night

Guest Speaker
M. W. Carl J. Smith
Grand Master of Masons
in the State of New York

Cathedral Hall
Rochester Temple

Thurs. October 19, 2000
7:30 p.m.
Reception following

Masons-Help

In keeping with the Grand Master's slogan, "Masons = Help," the *Masonic Times* will feature stories of instances where Masons have given help to people in need. Any instance that you have knowledge of or have participated in, would be worth sharing with our readers.

You don't have to be a journalist to contribute. Just give me a call and we can arrange to write the story together.

You can call the Service Bureau Office at 473-4351, 9:00 a.m. - noon or 458-6125, after 3:00 p.m., to set up a time when we can write the story together.

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Emil Schirano, Jim De Lorenzo, Clifford Short, Keith Stambach, Luigi Campaniello, and Pedro Ugalde. See M & W page 7.

Veteran's Day

In commemoration of Veteran's Day, the *Masonic Times* will be featuring stories, relating to military experiences, that Veterans would like to share with our readers. We will include any (printable) experience that you would like to send in. Please include your name, address, telephone number, and any other pertinent information. If you don't think you can do a good job of relating the experience, we can arrange to write it with you. Call 473-4351.

Masonic Home Volunteer Admissions Councilors Needed

The Masonic Home is in need of volunteers to serve the Masons in the Monroe District and their families.

Free training is provided. No experience necessary. See article in the *Masonic Home* section, page 11. If interested, please contact R. W. William Lindsay at 621-3573.

Notice

If you contemplate the use of the facilities at the Downtown Temple, Remember to contact Barbara Goodrich, TCC representative, at the Service Bureau Office for scheduling (473-4351). Don't expect to use any rooms without making prior reservations.

Attention Golfers!

Get your foursomes together for the

Annual "Final Round of Golf"

(aka)

Wakan/Hubbard- Monroe District
Golf Tournament

for the benefit of
the Lakeside Foundation
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Columbus Day
October 9, 2000

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Get your applications in early

Participation limited to only 40 golfers (10 foursomes)

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Editor's Corner

By Don Brugger
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Same Old Story

It seems that things never change. Our new crop of authors for the *Masonic Times* have not exactly gotten with the Program yet. You have probably noticed that some Lodges have not been reporting the first couple of issues this Fall. Just for clarification: the deadline is clearly indicated on the back page calendar and it is always on or before the 12th of the preceding month. Just remember if it gets to be the 13th of the month and you haven't sent in your contribution, you are probably late. A reliable course of action would be to think about what you are going to write about in your article around the 1st of the month. We will never refuse early entries and remember, we will always take additions or corrections up to the time the paper goes to the printer.

Scheduling meetings at the Downtown Temple

There seems to be a mistaken impression that if you are a regular renter at the Downtown Temple, you have carte blanche on meeting and dining rooms. Not so! All meetings to be held in the Temple have to be scheduled with Barbara Goodrich. This is a must for both your personal safety and for good fraternal relations. You can't just decide to have a meeting and expect not to inconvenience someone. Let's exercise a little common courtesy and common sense. The building security people must know who will be in the building at all times.

Busy Front Page

Have you noticed the look of the Front Page? Has your attention been drawn to it? Have you noticed announcements that you might not have noticed if they were somewhere else? I have heard no comments one way or the other. If you do have comments on this or any other material that appears in the *Times*, let me know!

Parking

If you park at the Downtown Temple, remember that all you need is a dollar (\$1.00) and your dues card. This is by special arrangement with the building owners, use the privilege.

Short Ones

Adam and Eve had an ideal marriage. He didn't have to hear about all the men she could have married, and she didn't have to hear about the way his mother cooked.

An elderly woman died last month. Having never married, she requested no male pallbearers. In handwritten instructions for her memorial service, she wrote, "They wouldn't take me out when I was alive, I don't want them to take me out when I'm dead."

A police recruit was asked during an exam, "What would you do if you had to arrest your mother?" He said, "Call for backup."

A wise school teacher sends this note to all parents on the first day of school. "If you promise not to believe everything your child says happens in school, I'll promise not to believe everything he says happens at home."

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New Porch Taking Shape at Camp DeMolay

By Don Brugger

A new front porch construction project has been started on the main lodge at the Camp. This was made possible as a result of the successful Beach Erosion Prevention Program. Almost fifteen feet has been restored at the top of the bluff. Hopefully more land



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Dear Masonic Service Bureau,

I would like to thank you for your generous donation of my Eagle Award Kit. It is a great thing that you do for the Eagles of the Otetiana Council by these donations. It shows that you firmly support the role of the Eagle Scout and the base of the community's values. I hope that your organization continues to support and recognize the Eagles of the Otetiana council in the far future and wish you all the best.

Yours in Scouting,

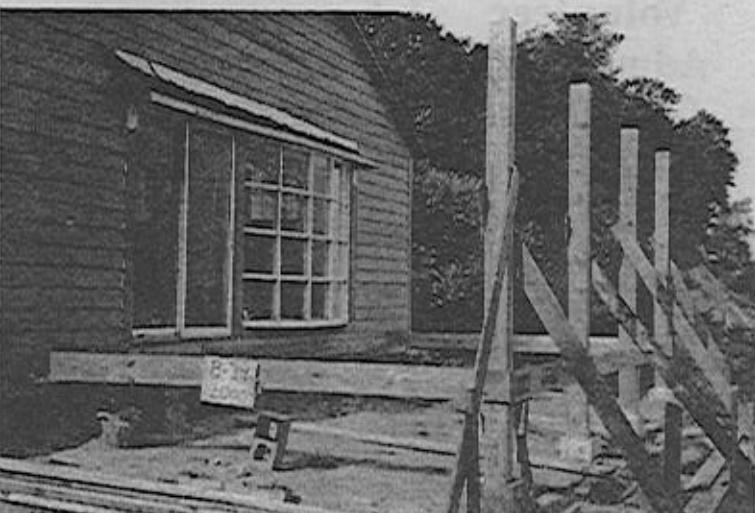
David R. Crittenden

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will be reclaimed over the next few years. Principals in the porch project are Tom Paglia, Ron

Weber, Bill Hook and Richard Snyder. (Photos courtesy Bill Hook.)



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Your Legal Rights FYI

By Bro. Phillip Hurwitz, Esq.

(This offering is a continuation of last month's article on: "Medicare Part B")

LTC policies for nursing home care must provide these minimum benefits: coverage for 36 months, coverage of \$134/day. For home care, LTC policies must provide these minimum benefits: Coverage for 72 months, coverage of \$67/day. (Source: Brookdale Center on Aging; 11 NYCRR 39).

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Widows Luncheon Glasses Available

Do you need to complete your set of glasses from the Widows Luncheons? The Service Bureau has them available from the years 1994, '95 and '96. Call us at 473-4351 between 9:00 a.m. and noon.

The Masonic Service Bureau Loan Closet

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

Equip. Type	On loan
Bathtub equip.	111
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Medicare Part "B"

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Medicaid

Medicaid is also health insurance, but is provided free of charge to all who are on public assistance or receiving Supplemental Security Income. Persons 65 and over; disabled or blind at any age, are eligible based on financial need. In these circumstances, Medicaid is the payor of last resort. Financial need is based upon the amount of resources available to the applicant. If the available resources exceed a threshold amount, then the applicant isn't eligible for Medicaid. For example-an individual cannot own assets exceeding \$3,350. A couple cannot own assets exceeding \$4850. Medicaid will not count a car, house, burial fund up to \$1500, life insurance with a face amount up to \$1500, a burial plot, clothing, and household furnishings as assets. In addition to asset limitations, Medicaid imposes income limits. For example-an individual can't receive more than \$559/month; \$809/month per couple. If the Medicaid applicant's resources exceed these limitations, then they will have to spend their resources down before they can qualify. There are methods available to maximize exemptions.

SSI

Supplemental Security Income (SSI) is a supplemental income grant to the disabled, blind or those 65 or older who don't have enough income to support themselves. Benefits are paid monthly. Qualifications for SSI automatically qualifies the recipient for Medicaid. To qualify, an individual cannot own assets exceeding \$2000; \$3000 for couples. Social Security will not count a car, \$1500 burial fund, house, burial plot and life insurance policy (\$1500 face value maximum) as assets. In addition to asset limitations, an individual can't earn more than \$556 per month; \$807 per month for couples.

Veterans Health Care Benefits

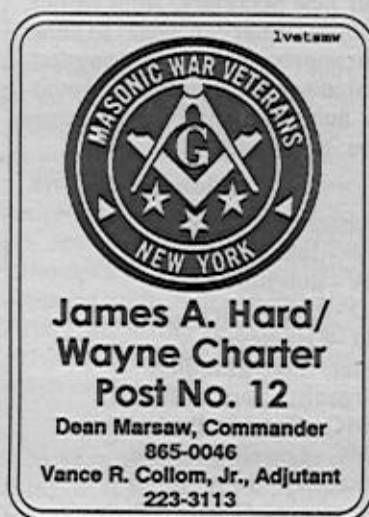
To receive health care, Vets usually need to enroll with the VA. Vets with service related disabilities of 50% or more receive priority in obtaining VA subsidized health care. Vets whose disabilities are less than 50% are considered based upon congressional funding. Vets who suffer from non-service related illnesses must submit proof of financial need in order to receive VA medical benefits.

Elder Pharmaceutical Insurance Coverage Program (EPIC)

EPIC is a pharmaceutical insurance program administered by NYS. It helps seniors pay for the cost of their prescription drugs. To qualify, you cannot have income in excess of \$18,500; \$24,000 if married. If you receive Medicaid, then EPIC will only cover prescription costs if Medicaid benefits are less generous. There are two EPIC plans. A Free Plan requires a yearly payment ranging from \$10-\$240. This is a sliding scale based on income.

The Deductible Plan requires no yearly fee. Payments for prescription are made by you until a deductible amount is reached. The deductible is based on a sliding scale. Once the deductible is reached, then the cost of prescriptions will only be a co-pay. The amount of co-pay ranges from \$3 to \$23, depending on the cost of the prescription. Call 1-800-332-3742 for an enrollment form.

For more detailed information, NYS, through its Office for the Aging, at 428-4968, can also provide information and assistance on topics relating to health care insurance coverage.

**Attention**

Our Color Guard is available for ceremonies.

There will be no news until our next meeting, so I will point out our uniforms which should be worn depending on the occasion. Class B is as follows: blue blazer or jacket, white shirt, black pants, black tie, shoes and socks.



Installing Officers of James A. Hard/Wayne Charter Post Masonic War Veterans - Frank Jansson - Past Commander and Past Area Rep., Dean Marsaw - Commander and Al Pulcino - Acting Marshal.



Memorial Day Service, Bob Belt, Al Pulcino, Ken Rhodes, John Bennett, Dean Marsaw - Commander, Frank Jansson, Frank Murrer, Leon VanHuben, George Goodman, and Harold Bollotin.



Dean Marsaw presenting the wreath at the Greece Town Hall Ceremonies.
(Photos courtesy Dean Marsaw)

Class C is as follows and should be worn only if you are, or can, take part in the Color Guard. We need more members in the Guard so we can fill our obligations when called upon.

Shirts and prices can be arranged if you are interested. We are ordering cords and post numbers as needed.

Meeting

On Thursday, October 26th, there will be a meeting with a Meatloaf Dinner. A reservation made is a reservation paid, unless sickness or emergency. The Calling Tree will be in touch and reservations have to be in no later than October 19th.

The speaker will be Gordon Pike, a Korean War Veteran, and presently Coast Guard Academy Admission Representative.

Dates

The Color Guard will present the Colors for the Scottish Rite Symbolic Awards Program on October 19th and for the Interfaith Breakfast at Logan's on October 22nd. Ladies and members may attend both.

Remember to check your smoke detectors, they save precious lives.

Money Tip\$

By Dave Larson

Have you selected a mutual fund for your investment program based on meaningless performance numbers? If the manager of the mutual fund has changed during the time period you're analyzing, the performance track record can be practically useless. Manager stability should be the primary criterion for selecting a mutual fund or investment manager, provided that the manager has an above average track record, of course.

Based on Morningstar data, 806 of 4,872 distinct mutual funds that have been in existence at least since January of 1998 have changed managers in 1998 or 1999. That's more than 15% of all

funds in only two years! The performance statistics on funds with recent manager changes are sometimes marketed with ads in magazines and newspapers. Unfortunately, a fund's manager history tends not to be as well publicized as performance statistics. Before being drawn in by the mutual fund's performance alone, first verify that the current manager and management approach has a history with the mutual fund through periods of both favorable and difficult market environments.

A key example of manager instability is the recent change by the well-known Janus Fund. The manager who guided the Fund since 1986, through up and down markets, resigned and was replaced by a manager who has no experience managing any mutual fund during less favorable bear market periods (e.g., October 1987). The strong long-term performance figures and downside protection for Janus are not a result of the current manager. Thus, there is no way to foresee

the future results with the new manager, and the past performance of the Janus Fund should be the last place to look for the answer.

The bottom line: Keep your eye on your investments, but keep even a closer eye on your investment manager. Don't just buy the past performance - buy the past performance of a particular manager, and be willing to make a change when that key component of the fund changes.

Elna Singer

The Masonic Service Bureau was notified of the passing of Elna Singer, widow of Past Grand Master, M.-W.- Robert Singer, on September 16, 2000. Mrs. Singer died in the Christian Science Home where she had resided for the last several months. According to the Home, she died peacefully while watching television with her nurse.

In keeping with Mrs. Singer's personal wishes, no wake or funeral services are to be held.

You're Invited

to the 2nd Annual Breakfast and Tour
of the Masonic Home Campus

Bring your Lady and a Brother and his Lady

Wednesday, October 18, 2000

- 9:30 a.m. Scrumptious breakfast buffet at Acacia Village
- 10:15 a.m. Tour of Acacia Village retirement community
- 10:45 a.m. Board the Masonic Home bus to visit Tompkins Chapel, Livingston Library and Museum, residential adult care at Wiley Hall, the beautiful rehabilitation center

Have you seen?...

...the resident's Art Gallery at Acacia Village?

...the magnificent Tiffany windows at Tompkins Chapel?

...the jewelry and emblem collection and memorabilia at the Robert R. Livingston Masonic Library and Museum?

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Congratulations

W. James Allan will be the Genesee/Wyoming District's Admission Counselor for the Masonic Home in Utica. He went for training in September.

Grand Lodge Fund

My Brothers, if you are thinking about up-dating or making a Will, it would be a good time to

think about the Grand Lodge Fund. Your help is needed to make this Fund grow and aid our Brothers and Lodges who are unable to help themselves. This Fund has already been put to good use. I will tell you about it at my Official Visits. For more information on Endowment, contact the Grand Lodge Endowment Committee, Robert A. Altmann, Chairman, 5 Whitman Ave., Syosset, NY 11791-5027 or (516) 364-0096.

Enjoyable time

There were 15 Brothers and 1 Sister out to the District Go-to-Church Sunday. A good breakfast and service were enjoyed by all there.

Don't forget the Council of Masonic Activities meeting on October 6th in Arcade. The dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting will follow.

Again, a "well done" to every Lodge in the District who sent in an advertisement for the Grand Master's Journal. I'm very proud of you and I know the Grand Master is proud of his District.

Nothing is impossible. Impossible means you have not found the solution yet!

God bless you.

CONSTELLATION Lodge No. 404

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Stickley
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\$
1st & 3rd
Thursdays

Secretary
John Miller,
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This is Monday, September 11th, and I find myself, despite all good intentions, faced with a deadline. Josh Billings, an American Humorist, said that it's better to know nothing than to know what ain't so. So, I'll be clear and brief about what is important and relevant.

What is important and relevant?

Ah, that's the rub! It is difficult to judge importance and relevancy when not part of or privy to the process which produces it. Our first meeting proved that where we sit dictates what we see, feel, hear, and sense. The decisive issue was how best to communicate with all members of Constellation Lodge. The choices: The *Masonic Times* or a periodic newsletter. The majority was in favor of a periodic, perhaps monthly, newsletter.

What would the majority of those who could not attend opt for? Let's find out! This newsletter is primarily addressed to those Brothers who can only read about what the writer deems relevant and important. Brethren, who because of a personal necessity are far removed from the Temple walls, are not necessarily privy to what must be ahead for the Fraternity.

This is not to say that we who can sense the past history in the Temple walls are in any better position to judge what is important. The point to be made is that if we are going to stand tall in the years ahead, all Brothers must have knowledge of what is going on. Not just those Brothers who can make to the Temple on the Thursday night, but those who cannot make it there, for whatever reason.

Repeat: The critical issue is keeping every Brother timely apprized and informed to facilitate a necessary action. How best to do this? Can we depend upon a monthly newsletter in the *Masonic Times* to report to the Brethren about issues on the floor? Should we produce a periodic report for the Brethren, as needed? So, there is the issue. Do we need your input? What do you think? Do you want to be apprized and informed? Please respond!

2000-2001

Succinctly, membership involvement, membership retention, effective programming of our meetings, with meaningful side-bar discussions or activities downstairs after closing on the 3rd Degree, an aggressive drive for new members, and resisting directions for what we, by consensus, agree that it is not in Constellation Lodge's best interest to comply with.

Sickness and distress

Brother Jack Barnard, Organist, has returned from a short stay in the Buffalo VA Hospital. His traveling activities will be limited. He is in good spirits and visitors to his home are welcome. Brother Ivan Hodges has left his

home in Perry, and is now residing in Warsaw in a private facility which can meet his needs.

Charles Myers, our long-time Secretary, retired several months ago. No one can replace him, but our new Secretary, John Miller, will try. What can we do to show our appreciation for the long dedicated service so adeptly provided by Charles Myers? What say you, Brethren?

Officers

Master - Paul Stickley
SW - John Cook
JW - Bob Burt
SD - Jack Butler
JD - Eric Bryant
Tiler - Leo Milhollen
Organist - Jack Barnard
SMC - Fletcher Parker
JMC - Lowell Osborne
Secretary - John Miller
Treasurer - Gerald Sahrle
Chaplain - Dale Cooley

Brother Sam Sherman will chair the Brotherhood Fund endeavor. He will be provided with preprinted mailing labels, stamps, etc. Brother Bill Barrett will step in and give us a hand, as needed.

What is in the wind?

The Euchre Tourney and the popular Table Lodge must be scheduled and arranged. A Masonic Widow's social event has to be planned and scheduled. A Ladies Night Out has to be set up. Fundraisers have to be considered and scheduled. At least one will be jointly sponsored by our Lodge and Eastern Star. Building and grounds upkeep must be attended to. The Membership Roster, last issued in 1988, has to be updated, verified, printed and circulated.

Gerald Sahrle, Treasurer, will provide an overview of our financial situation, a Trestleboard must be published, posted, and distributed. Issues related to membership in Constellation Lodge No. 404 must be looked at. A proposal to provide reduced dues to seniors and/or retired members who request the option will be discussed, formulated and implemented. Issues of dullness, programming, promptness, meetings overly lengthy and the like will be dealt with.

The Master will issue a Millennium Report to the members which will deal with Constellation Lodge's plan to interact in its community of many peoples and organizations.

Mount Vernon Lodge No. 263



W.
Michael
Driver
457-9948

2nd & 4th
Mondays

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

As a Mason I have come to enjoy this time of year. Lodges once again open their doors for their regular meeting nights. We all are happy to see familiar faces, and share a good story, while catching up on the events of our busy Summer months.

Convention

On October 20th I hope to see all Brothers from the District's Lodges at Mt. Vernon Lodge No. 263, Main St., Java Village. This

October 2000

is the Grand Lecturer's Convention for the District. We are looking forward to the presence of R.W. Edward G. Gilbert, Grand Lecturer of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York. There will be a dinner at 7:00 p.m., preceding the 8:00 p.m. start of the evening's program. Please contact me for details and reservations. Please make reservations to help our ladies of the Eastern Star accurately plan for the meal.

The work of the evening will be the Fellowcraft Degree. If you wish to participate, please call me and make a special effort to support this Convention. As always, the support of all Brothers is required to assure a successful Convention.

HESPERUS Lodge No. 837

1st and 3rd Thursday



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Here we are in October, and the leaves are beginning to display their brilliant kaleidoscope of color—can Winter be far distant? This Autumn season seems to be moving at a most rapid pace.

On October 14th, Bergen celebrates its annual Oktoberfest, at which Hesperus Lodge offers its Chicken Bar-B-Que. Heartfelt thanks to each of the Brothers and ladies who give of their time to cook the chicken, serve and clean up afterward. It takes a truly dedicated crew to successfully accomplish such an undertaking, and we are indeed, fortunate to have just that.

Best wishes

W. Van Hilbert seems to be doing well as he convalesces, and W. John Bater returned home from his hospital stay last month and appears to be doing well. We wish them both well.

Condolences

It is my sad duty to report the passing to the Great Architect of the Universe, Brother Edgar Chapell, on September 1st. Brother Ed was initiated on February 3, 1944, passed on March 2, 1944 and raised on June 1, 1944. He had been a member of Hesperus Lodge for over 56 years, and will be greatly missed by his Masonic Brethren.

Council of Masonic Activities

October 6th is the date for the Genesee/Wyoming Council of Masonic Activities meeting in Warsaw. The District Fish Fry will be from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., with the meeting to follow.

On October 19th, Hesperus, along with many other Lodges, will attend the Symbolic Lodge Awards Night in Cathedral Hall. Our recipient this year is our Junior Master of Ceremonies, Brother Gilbert Ernst. Brother Gib was raised on December 3, 1953 and has been a dedicated member of the Craft for over 47 years.

Gib has painted the walls in our Lodge and dining room, plants flowers surrounding the flag pole at the Gillam Grant Center every Spring, serves on the George Walker Scholarship Committee, and will always cheerfully acquiesce when his as-

Eagle Valley Lodge No. 1161

2nd & 4th
Thurs. 8:00 p.m.



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From a Summer of activities, including a cruise in Northern European waters, several days spent searching for mastodon bones with the Buffalo Museum of Science's 18th Annual Byron Expedition, camping trips, fairs, gardening and keeping in shape exercise, I have returned to labor. I hope that your Summer was as exciting and pleasurable as mine.

Sad news

This writer regrets to inform you of the passing of R.W. Edward Jennings to the Grand East on August 6th. He joined Triluminar Lodge in 1942, becoming Master in 1946. He eventually became a member of Eagle Valley Lodge and was elected Master there in 1983. He held the posi-

tion of Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of the Commonwealth of Tasmania for many years. He had a good and true influence upon the lives of all whom his life touched. The world is richer for his presence.

Annual Auction-November 4th

Our Annual Auction will take place on Saturday, November 4th, at the Lodge on Liberty Street in Bliss, starting at 6:00 p.m. Pies, pastries, and other saleable items are needed. Please donate for the benefit of the Lodge. Save the date, "Y'all come" to Eagle Valley's Annual Auction.

VA Visitation Day

Sunday, November 5th, is Veterans Hospital Visitation Day. R.W. Sheldon Moden and I invite all the Brethren of Eagle Valley Lodge to join us at Batavia Veterans Hospital at 2:00 p.m. that day. Many of our heroes await our visits.

R.W. Sheldon Moden

The Liberty Medal for Participation in the Normandy Invasion (D-Day, June 6th, 1944) was presented to R.W. Moden in August, 2000. I salute him and note his many years of service on the Grand Lodge Veterans Services Committee.

Official Visit

The Official Visit of DDGM, R.W. Raymond G. Barber, is scheduled for November 9th at 8:00 p.m.

In conclusion

I hope that 2000-2001 will be a goodyear for Eagle Valley Lodge. Hopefully, you will turn off the TV, PC, CD, tape cassette player, etc., and come on down to Bliss for some regularly scheduled communications. How about it?

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Fall Fish Fry Dinner

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Council Meeting to follow



Kirkhaven

It just feels right.



sistance is requested. Congratulations, Gib, on receiving this well deserved recognition. We're immensely proud of you!

October dates

On October 27th we will be attending the Grand Lecturer's Convention at Constellation Lodge in Perry. Hopefully, all will be present (with no one left behind, standing on the street corner in Bergen-not even a Steward. It can happen, believe me, I know!) and receive the Potts Award for the second year in a row. In order to achieve this, the Master, Senior and Junior Wardens, Senior and Junior Deacons, and Masters of Ceremony must be present. It would be wonderful if all the Lodges in the Genesee/Wyoming District were to qualify for this Award. Whatta ya say, guys? Give it your best shot!

On October 28th Hesperus Chapter, OES, will hold its monthly Card Party. Come out for an enjoyable evening of cards, friendship and refreshments.

On Monday, October 30th, Hesperus will host a Euchre Tournament at the Lodge. Join us for some fun!

November

Looking forward, our first November meeting will be on the 2nd, and will be the Official Visit of our DDGM, R. W. Raymond Barber and the Grand Director of Ceremonies, R. W. Arthur Drew. Dinner will be at 6:00 p.m., meeting at 7:30 p.m. We welcome them, and hope they enjoy their visit.

On Saturday, November 25th, Hesperus will be holding its Annual 20/20 Party. This year it has been relocated to the Bergen Fire Hall, Lake Road at Hunter Street in Bergen. Food, beverages, dancing, as well as regular activities will be available from 8:00 p.m. until midnight. Tickets, at \$20.00 per couple, are limited, so to purchase yours, or if you would like to obtain some to sell, contact Brother Marty Krause at 494-2147 or Brother Harry Tyson at 494-1137.

Brethren, please don't forget the Brotherhood Fund. Whatever you can give goes toward a most worthy cause. Let's see if we can't surpass last year's total, and strive for 100% participation! Until next month...

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Since this time of year is the beginning of the Fall sessions, I cannot report on anything concrete as relates to the September calendar of events. The Official Visit of the District Deputy was to be held on Tuesday, September 26th.

The Brethren of the Lodge and the youth of DeMolay and Rainbow manned the Hot Dog Stand at Jubilee Store of Batavia on Thursday through Saturday, September 21st-23rd. Final reports will be made available in the next article.

Enlightening session

I can report that the first train-

ing session for adult Advisors was held on Sunday, August 20th. Having been a senior DeMolay some years past, I found the training session very enlightening, refreshing and educational. The next session will be held during the month of October. I will let those know who have come forward at this point in time. If you could and would like to get involved, please let Brother Ralph Goodberlet, the Secretary, or me, know of your desires. I want to point out that you can determine your own amount of time or the involvement you prefer, but on the other hand, I can assure you that time spent in this endeavor will be quite fulfilling for all. An Open House and sign-up for the DeMolay was held on Saturday, September 16th. Again, I will report the results in the next issue.

The Installation of Officers of the Charles L. Carter Chapter of DeMolay will be held on Tuesday, October 3rd. Please make plans to be in attendance and the first official Chapter meeting will convene on Tuesday, October 17th. Needless to say, we who are presently involved are extremely excited with the rebirth of this organization. All we ask of each of you is to extend your support in whatever manner possible!

Snowbirds

I take this opportunity to wish each of you who travel to the warmer climes this time of the year to enjoy your Winter and trust that we will see all of you next Spring.

Condolences


Brother George C. Hawley passed to the Eternal East on July 20th of this year. George was raised in Racket River Lodge No. 213 in 1941 and affiliated with Batavia Lodge No. 475 on January 15, 1969. Our condolences to his wife, Hilda, family and friends.

I have nothing to report at this time as relates to anyone who may be in need of our aid or assistance. As I related in the past issue, please let the Secretary or me know of anyone you may know of who is housebound, hospitalized, or may just need someone to make contact with. We cannot pass this information on to others without your input.

Brotherhood Fund

Just a reminder from R. W. Harold N. Collier, the Lodge Chairman of the Brotherhood Fund, to please respond to this worthwhile endeavor to the best of your abilities in perpetuation of one of the traditions of Masonry, that being 'charity'. May God bless!

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



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"[Oakland Lodge No. 379 was] organized and convened under power at Oakland, NY, February 14, 1855, with Elisha Smith as Master.

The Lodge moved to Hunt's Hollow to Son's Hall on July 3, 1855 and received its Charter

under date of June 6, 1856 and was moved to Portageville October 19, 1858, Castile on July 5, 1864, and was incorporated on November 29, 1873."

The preceding bit of history was found at the beginning of our Annual Masonic Directory. The last year I could find while looking through some old artifacts was 1952, strangely enough, the year I was born. As we head into the next millennium, it is my hope that this tradition will return at Oakland.

Saddened

Oakland Lodge was saddened to hear of the passing of Past Master (1937), W. Robert Humphrey, on July 21st. As Bob takes his place along side of the Great Architect of the Universe, we wish the family strength in coping with their loss. In Bob's memory the Altar has been draped for 30 days.

Thanks

I thank the Brothers of Oakland Lodge for once again putting their trust in me to lead them for another year. Although this is my 4th time as Master, it is still humbling and a great honor to sit in the East. I will do my best to make this an interesting and fulfilling year. Thank you to all the Brothers who came out for our 1st communication, keep up the good work.

Brotherhood Fund

I thank W. David Beardsley for the great job he has done for the past few years for Oakland Lodge. Our new Brotherhood Fund Chairman is Brother Ken Smith. Please make his job easy by donating as freely as you can. I have every confidence he will do an excellent job.

Old news

The official results of the 2000 Masonic Bowling Tournament arrived in the mail this Summer. As we reported last Spring, Oakland Lodge, did in fact, come in 2nd as a team. Thanks to outstanding bowling by D.J. Beardsley (719 scratch), I was lucky enough to share 2nd Place in the doubles. 1st Place in the singles went to D.J. Beardsley (715). 1st Place in all events went to D.J. Beardsley (2199). Congratulations to all the bowlers and especially D.J. who bowled pro-like 227 average for nine games. Scratch !!!

Dates to remember

Our Official Visit of the DDGM, R. W. Ray Barber, will be on October 17th. We look forward to seeing him and his new Staff.

The Grand Lecturer's Convention will be held on October 20th. Time and location TBA.

Roadside clean-up for Oakland Lodge will be October 21st. Please meet at the town building at 8:00 a.m.

Yum yum

On October 27th Oakland Lodge will host a Fish Fry in Castile. With all due respect to the District, we hope this date does not conflict with their plans for a Fish Fry. Starting time will be 4:30 p.m. Come on out and enjoy friendly atmosphere and good food.

Closing

I thank our Editor, Don Brugger, for the friendly reminder and extension of the deadline. Good health and see you in Lodge. God Bless.

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



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R. W. Robert
Nicoll
Master
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1st & 3rd
Wed.

After one of the most changeable Summers of cold, rain, even a hot week, it will be good to have a colorful Fall getting back to regular Masonic communications.

Luncheons

During July and August the ladies of OES and the Masons entertained the Batavia VA Hospital patients. They fished at the Mumford Hatchery and then came to LeRoy for a great Fried Trout Luncheon. Everyone had a great time. Our thanks to all who helped. Those ten weeks flew by.

Sadness

It saddens me to report the passing of Brother Robert Gilmore, many of the Brothers remember this quiet man, and R. W. John C. Roth. We will always remember that smile of Brother Roth. There are those who remember at an OES meeting when John gave Mrs. Dimick a big hug and kiss, but he will always be remembered as the one who brought the "Dish to Pass". Now we always ask for the "Full Dish" to pass.

Send cards

R. W. Paul Smith had sinus surgery. He told me it was some experience and he has two shiners. Get well soon, Paul. W. Bob Forbes is having treatments for lung cancer and is on oxygen 24 hours a day. Please remember these Brothers with cards and/or phone calls.

I am doing very well, my PSA number is down to 0.54 which is fantastic. All I have bothering me is a hernia to be repaired and cataracts to be attended to. I feel like the old owl that had tonsillitis and hemorrhoids. You probably know the old saying.

Building project

The building project is on hold. The broker offered a ridiculously low price, and with building costs, wages, codes, regulations, when they want the corner, they will pay for it. We will guarantee the financial integrity of the Lodge.

Official Visit

The Official Visit of R. W. Ray Barber, DDGM, will be November 8th.

Donald Fiero Receives 50 Year Service Award



Clayton Dimick, D.S.A., Janett Fiero - daughter, Joan Smith, Donald Fiero (recipient) and W. Bob Nicoll, Worshipful Master in presenting at home of recipients daughter in LeRoy. (Photo courtesy R. Nicoll)

Olive Branch communications are the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 7:30 p.m. We will have an hour meeting, good fellowship, followed by a light snack. I look forward to seeing you there!

The Custodians Corner



R. W. Maurice Solomon
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Q. I am somewhat confused. I have seen written the words "Brothers, Brethren, and Brethren". Can you enlighten me as to which is the correct term to use?

A. It pains me when I see, and hear, often by Grand Lodge Officers who should know better, the wrong term in the wrong context.

First of all, there is no such word as "Brothern". As for "Brothers" and "Brethren", they are both correct grammatically, in that they allude to a group of Masons, collectively. However, Masonically, they refer to two different classes of Mason.

As Meacham points out in his classic guide to Masonry, the word "Brethren" is an old form of the plural "Brothers", and is used in alluding to or speaking to the Brethren of a Lodge; it is not used in connection with candidates, who are addressed, or referred to, as "Brothers". There are numerous examples of the use of the word "Brethren", as follows: "Brethren, give your attention to the Chaplain: 'Brethren, we are about to ballot': 'Brethren, commence to ballot': 'Brethren, join me in the Pledge of Allegiance'. You will notice that the word "Brothers" is never used in this context. Similarly, when writing an article and referring to "Brothers", it is Masonically proper to refer to them as "Brethren".

Hopefully, the foregoing "guidance" will have the desired effect, and help to "unconfuse" the "confusion".

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District Deputy Grand Master

Monroe District



R.W. William Lindsay
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One of the articles I read this Summer was about the Civil War hero from Rochester, Colonel Timothy O'Rourke. He is purported to have saved the day at Gettysburg, by shoring up the right flank of the Union Army at a critical time of the battle. His troop was being held in reserve behind the line of battle and in anticipation of joining the battle, he proceeded to move his troops forward to a position from which they could respond quickly when called to do so. In the process of going forward, they came upon Union forces which were under savage attack and in danger of collapsing. Without orders, O'Rourke drew up his troops in battle formation, and furiously attacked the oncoming Confederate forces. In the fierce fighting that followed, O'Rourke was one of the first of his unit to die in battle, but by day's end, the Confederate armies had been beaten back, suffering such serious casualties that they were unable to challenge the Union Army again for control of the high ground.

Had the Union forces been driven from their position by the Confederates, the Battle of Gettysburg as we know it may have had a far different outcome, and so, the Civil War. The actions of O'Rourke and his men that day may well have saved the Union victory.

My Civil War buff friends could undoubtedly paint a more accurate portrait of the events of that day, and may wish to add to my rendering of the story. In fact, I would invite them to expand upon this topic in an article submitted to the *Masonic Times*, as I know it is a topic of high interest for many Masons and would make good reading in our paper.

I like the story about Timothy O'Rourke because it profiles so many important human qualities that are useful skills that when learned and applied, are the substance of what "makes good men better". Others may derive meanings from this story that I have overlooked, but what catches my attention is:

1. O'Rourke had been assigned to "wait behind the lines in service". He easily could have just stayed there, he was in relative safety.

2. Instead, reports and the sounds of the battle told him where the intense action was; rather than waiting for precipitous circumstance to cause someone to order him forward, of his own initiative, he began moving his troops to an area of greatest need.

3. When he arrived at the point of Confederate assault, he could have waited for orders to join the battle. Instead, reckoning how the army worked in those days, he

joined the defenders and drove the enemy back.

Those who would be successful leaders could learn from O'Rourke's actions. He knew exactly why he was where he was and what role he was expected to play. He reflected on his personal circumstance in the context of the "big picture". He anticipated how he could best contribute to the total mission and he readied himself and his troops to do so. When he saw the opportunity to make a contribution, he went right to it. Not all leaders pay the price O'Rourke did. Military leaders know that you can't sit in safety and expect the troops to risk their lives.

I believe this concept holds true wherever leadership is a requirement. Successful Masters of Lodges exhibit many of the qualities that O'Rourke demonstrated. Know your role, learn the skills of the position, know the context in which you serve, take the initiative when guided by your own good sense, put your trust in God, don't leave all the dirty work to others, and move forward.

"The first great failure of all institutions is the failure to communicate."

Everyday that I live, I either understand this concept more, or I see more examples which justify its truth. I am no stranger to the importance of communication. I only wish that I could be looked to as its most exemplary practitioner. But I am working to improve myself in this area, and I commend its consideration to all Masons who may be looking to "improve themselves in Masonry".

Members of the Monroe leadership team and I have spent long hours creating a trestleboard for the District, and the fact is, our subsequent energies are dedicated to communicating it to the Brethren in our Lodges. We are dedicated to sharing both Grand Lodge and District priorities wherever we go, simply because the priorities help Freemasonry flourish in the Lodge and in the community.

The loneliness of leadership is most felt when a communicator wonders if anyone is listening (or reading in this case). Good evidence that Brothers do listen was borne out by the strong turnout to the first School of Ritual. Many Lodges were well represented and most reported that the School was a useful learning experience. Some Lodges, however, have failed to respond to that Program, or other opportunities to connect to the larger Masonic network.

This is probably a District level version of the Master who laments that his great trestleboard has not resulted in increasing support at Lodge events, or the public official who holds an important hearing and 3 people show up. I would maintain that this is a communication problem, and in saying that, point to where a solution lies:

Seek assistance—don't try to do everything yourself.

See the Craft at work—find a way that every member can contribute to Lodge life.

Seek advice—call a fellow Master. Keep involved—attend District events, attend other Lodges.

Pick up the phone—call members, call fellow Masters, call me.

Set and communicate your priorities—sort out your obligations from your preferences. No one of us can do everything.

Just as the person who chooses to improve his health by exercise

every day, so he who would strengthen communication skills ought to work every day on being a better communicator. In so doing, one becomes personally stronger, and makes a vital contribution to Freemasonry.

So here we are...

Important dates

October 13th - Grand Lecturer's Convention.

October 14th - Grand Master's Town Meeting.

October 14th - Grand Master's Ball in Buffalo, which is open to all, call me if you need tickets.

October 19th - Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Awards at the Downtown Temple.

October 22nd - Interfaith Service and Breakfast at Logan's, 9:00 a.m.

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By R.W. James De Lorenzo
LSOME

It was a surprise to us when we discovered that the Lodge System of Masonic Education dates back to at least 1925, when the Grand Lodge of New York published a single booklet promoting its use.

What is its main purpose?

Every candidate is a stranger to Freemasonry and Freemasonry is a stranger to him. It is not merely a Lodge that he joins, but a great Fraternity with a history stretching back over many centuries. It has an intricate system of laws, ideals and obligations, as well as a set of rights, privileges and duties, and a set of landmarks to be preserved.

It is too much to expect of any man that he make himself at home in a Fraternity without guidance, or that unaided he be able to make his own proper place in his Lodge's work with credit to himself and honor to the Brotherhood. He has every right to expect that the Lodge itself shall give him much of the information he needs.

What is LSOME?

Isn't it the same as the Shepherding Program? Not really.

LSOME is basically comprised of a single instructional booklet, four-part videotape and a committee, usually comprised of four members.

It takes its name from the fact that it is the Lodge's responsibility for the Masonic education of the candidate. Its sole aim is to guarantee that every candidate will be properly instructed in the fundamentals which every newly made Mason must know. This is accomplished by a committee, which is appointed by the Master. The candidate meets with the committee before the 1st Degree and then shortly after each Degree for a total of four meetings. The committee members present

four, ten minute topics at each meeting.

Suggested format

First meeting

A short history of Freemasonry Landmarks

Qualifications

Freemasonry's Attitude Toward Politics and Religion

Second meeting

Meaning of the term "Entered Apprentice"

Entered Apprentice and the World of Masonry

Symbols of the 1st Degree Place of the Obligations in Masonic Law

Third meeting

Meaning of "Fellowcraft" and the Interpretation of the 2nd Degree Ritual

Symbols and Allegories of the 2nd Degree

Teachings of Masonry Grand Lodge Library and the Literature of Masonry

Fourth meeting

Interpretation of the Ritual of the 3rd Degree

Symbols and Allegories of the 3rd Degree

Duties, Rights and Privileges of a "Master Mason"

Lodge Organization and the Ballot

As you can see, this is a comprehensive amount of very useful and valuable information for the candidate. The candidate has nothing to do but listen and learn. The benefit to him will be immeasurable. By the time he is ready to sign the By-laws, he will have heard sixteen fundamental topics. That may possibly be a larger amount of useful information than many Masons have been able to obtain on their own over a significantly longer period of time.

It is not only the candidate who profits from this system. The Lodge itself is strengthened from having members who from the beginning are able to take a part in its activities; who are likely to become regular attendants; and who can quickly grasp the aim and purpose of the Lodge's endeavors. As a result, the Master now has a larger staff of trained members who are already prepared for work!

Source

"The Lodge System of Masonic Education" by the Committee on Masonic Education-September 1987.

Your Monroe District Bureau of Masonic Education is offering this program to all of the Monroe Lodges in three sessions throughout the year. The first session is scheduled for October 16th at 7:30 p.m., location to be announced at a later date. We hope that all of our Lodges will take advantage of this opportunity by urging each new Brother and his Shepherd to attend all of these sessions. The new Brothers will not only get to formally learn about our Fraternity and its Ritual, but these meetings will give them a broader perspective of Masonry in the Monroe District. What better way to start out in Masonry: increasing your Masonic knowledge while making friendships that will last a lifetime? We can think of no better way for a new Brother to spend a Masonic evening. Please contact us to place your reservations.

October dates to remember

October 13th is the Grand Lecturer's Convention, 7:30 p.m., Fairport Lodge No. 476.

The Grand Master's Town Meeting is October 14th at 8:00 a.m. in the Downtown Temple.

October 2000

October 14th is also the Grand Master's Ball at 5:00 p.m. in Buffalo.

LSOME Instruction-1st Degree is at 7:30 p.m. on October 16th. Place TBA.

October 19th is the Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Awards at 7:30 p.m.-Downtown Temple.

The Interfaith Service and Breakfast is at 9:00 a.m. on October 22nd at Logan's Party House.

Remember the Brotherhood Fund.

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MONROE DISTRICT



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By V.W. Keith Stambach

First of all, I appreciate the warm reception I received as the new AGL from those attending the School of Ritual on August 29th. For those who have put their trust in me, I promise to do my very best to serve our District in any manner possible.

Brother John Zabel and I are committed to improving the Ritual in our District and we have the strong support of the DDGM and the Staff Officers in this effort. We will be visiting each of the Lodges in the Monroe District to ask all the officers for their support.

Through the Ritual of the Degrees and Lectures we teach our new Brethren what it is to be a Mason. If the Ritual is not done well, what do they learn and how do we retain them? No Lodge should isolate themselves from the Schools of Ritual. Come and share with us your knowledge and fellowship. I quote from the *Book of Masonic Etiquette*, "Every Lodge officer should attend his District Convention each year; it is not a matter of personal preference but of duty—a duty he owes his Lodge. Nothing is more detrimental to the welfare of a Lodge than slovenly ritualistic work."

Howard Potts Award

The Grand Lecturer's Convention will be on Friday, October 13th, at Fairport Lodge No. 476, 87 S. Main St., Fairport, at 7:30 p.m., preceded by a dinner at 6:30 p.m. Details have been sent to all the Lodges. The work for the evening will be the First Section of the 2nd Degree. The work will be exemplified by the officers of Charlotte/Corinthian and ERAC Lodges.

Remember, by your attendance at this Convention, your Lodge can earn the Howard Potts Award. All it takes is the presence of the top seven Line Officers. Wouldn't it be fantastic to see the Masters of 18 Lodges in the Monroe District be called to the East at Grand Lodge to receive this Award? If all the officers of each Lodge were present, that amounts to 252 Brothers; if just the top seven officers were present, that amounts to 126 Brothers. Let's overwhelm the Grand Lecturer, R.W. Edward G. Gilbert, with our support.

Schools of Ritual schedule
November 30th-1st Degree at Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge No. 1088.
January 29, 2001-2nd Degree at Northfield Lodge No. 426.
March 29th-3rd Degree at Etolian Lodge No. 479. □

Membership Retention

R.W.: Joseph Privitera
Monroe District

Final wishes

I was driving to the cottage just before Labor Day weekend, somewhere West of Oswego. The Rochester radio station was beginning to fade away. I pressed the scan button and got a station that immediately caught my attention. It was a daughter of a Mason and an anti-Masonic Minister discussing whether or not her father could have both a Christian Funeral Service and a Masonic Funeral Service. The minister obviously took advantage of the uninformed daughter and told her that she must make a choice. She could not do both. He spoke all the nonsense that we all have heard before. He even had some video cassettes that she could purchase that would tell her everything she wanted to know.

The reason I am writing about this today is that we all probably have made plans for our last wishes. The Will is prepared taking care of all the financial needs. In some cases final funeral arrangements will be made before death occurs. We do all this preparation, but sometimes we take for granted things that we assume will be done.

One of the items we may take for granted is to tell our survivors what we desire in regards to Masonry. Do you want a Masonic Funeral Service? I have seen a Masonic Service put on in funeral homes, churches, church halls, and even in Masonic Lodges. If there is any doubt in your mind about having a Masonic Service, speak to your Priest, Minister or Rabbi.

Do your survivors know where your White Apron is located? What about your Masonic Bible and Masonic regalia, rings, pins, etc.? If you are a Past Master or Past Grand Lodge Officer, do you want your Lodge to have your Apron to display on the Lodge walls? If you are not sure of something, all you have to do is ask.

These are questions that can be answered when times are less difficult and best of all, with your input. Don't put your wife, children, or other survivors in a position to make decisions that you can make now. □

Bureau of Masonic Education Monroe County

President:
V.W.: John Zabel

To Learn or Not to Learn, is that the question?

By V.W.: John Zabel

"I just don't know if I can learn this work," exclaimed Steve. "I try, but it just slips away and I can't remember the words."

George replied, "How long do you spend on studying to learn the work, Steve?"

"Oh, just between commercials while watching the Bills play.

That's about the only time I have to work on it," said Steve.

"Why are you trying to learn the work?"

"Well, I'm now a Lodge officer and the Master said that I would be doing some of the work this Fall. I just don't think I have the time to learn the work and do other things," complained Steve.

"Are you spending enough time with your wife and family? Do you get your chores done on time? Are you behind at work?", asked George.

"I have plenty of time with the family and have no problem with chores or at work," replied Steve.

"Then you do have time to work on learning the work. Work on it while you are driving. Drive safely, of course, but think about what you are trying to learn. Examine your priorities. You will probably find some time that could be used more effectively learning the work than lounging around. Most importantly, your learning the work is for two reasons. First, to help you learn more about Masonic teachings, and second, to impart these teachings to new Brothers. If you remember this you will do well," explained George.

"I'll give it a try and let you know how it works out," said Steve.

"Don't try, just do it," replied George. "I will be waiting to hear how you do, though."

What's happening

The Bureau of Masonic Education is planning seminars on the Degree Lectures for newly initiated, passed Brothers and raised Brothers. The first session will be held on Monday, October 16th at Wakan/Hubbard Lodge in Penfield. The program will start at 7:30 p.m. and will be completed no later than 9:00 p.m. This is for newly initiated Brothers and their Shepherd/mentor/sponsor. The topics to be covered are the 1st Degree Q&A, what it means to be a new Mason and other related topics and discussion. We are hoping, with the assistance of the Grand Lodge Staff Officers, to see that all new Masons attend. □

Monroe District Masters & Wardens Assoc.

President
W.: Emil Schirano
265-3932
Secretary
W.: Karl-Helmut Reich
426-6836, e-mail: karth@cbtek.com



Masters and Wardens had their first meeting on September 9th, with 11 Lodges represented and 22 Brothers in attendance, which is a great start. We also had some Junior and Senior Deacons there. We need to try to get 100% of Lodges at the meetings.

A copy of the minutes will be sent to all Masters.

Before I get into the business of the meeting, I thank all the Brothers who came out for Community Service at WXXI Pledge Drive. They are R.W.: Clifford Short, R.W.: James De Lorenzo, R.W.: R. Keith Stambach, W.: Emil J. Schirano, W.: Luigi Campaniello, W.: Phillip Hurwitz, Brother Tom Vasile, Brother Pedro Ugalde and Brother Steve Lysenko.

One of the main topics was putting a list of all who can help with Ritual and Degree work such as Lecture of Forms and



Steve Lysenko, Tom Vasile, and Philip Hurwitz. (Photos Emil Schirano)

Ceremonies, Lecture of Reasons, Historical Lecture, Charge, Apron and Bible Presentation, Middle Chamber Lecture and so forth. All this information will be sent to all Lodge Secretaries as a reference to any Lodge that can use them. They would need at least a weeks notice.

The Masters and Wardens Association is here to help all Lodges in any way they can. We also discussed going on a bus trip to the Masonic Home and Research Center in Utica. The Trustees will defray the cost of the bus and provide a lunch. If you are interested, let your Master know so we can plan a weekend trip, which would include wives, families and friends.

Our next meeting will be at Northfield Lodge, 17 Church Street, Pittsford, on Saturday, October 7th at 10:00 a.m. Usually we meet on the 2nd Saturday of the month, but because of the Grand Master's Town Meeting, it has been changed.

Upcoming events

October 13th-Grand Lecturer's Convention in Fairport. Dinner at 6:15 p.m.

October 14th-Grand Master's Town Meeting with breakfast at 8:00 a.m.

The Grand Master's Ball - Buffalo at 6:30 p.m., October 14th.

October 19th - the Scottish Rite's Symbolic Lodge Awards Night, Downtown Temple at 8:00 p.m.

October 22nd - Interfaith Service and breakfast at 9:00 a.m. at Logan's.

Check the Masonic calendar and support other Lodges. □

WEBSTER Lodge No. 538

30 Orchard St.
WEBSTER, N.Y. 14580



W.V. Emil Schirano,
Master
265-3932

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

W.V. Paul Sobtzyk, Sec.
671-8980

Our first meeting was a welcome back with an open discussion about the Lodge's goals. This was a great success and we had many ideas for our future trestle-board.

The first was to try to get to see our Brothers in Canada and try to go for a weekend visit with our significant others. Brother Nick is looking into this and will try to make arrangements.

Next we talked about going on a train or boat trip to see the Fall colors with either a lunch or dinner. It was also suggested to have the Police come in with their K9 dogs and show us how they work.

Some other suggestions were to have a speaker from the Scottish Rite, the Tartan Square Club confer a Degree, a Rusty Nail Degree, and a Masonic quiz (with prizes). Another activity for a fundraiser is to have a Euchre Tournament. These are all good suggestions and I would like to hear from you to know what interests you the most. You can call me at 265-3932 or e-mail me at moejoy1@juno.com.

October events

October 5th will be the District Deputy's Official Visit. This is a formal night with dinner at 6:30 p.m. Reservations are needed; call our Junior Warden, Brad Lewis at 265-2914 or e-mail him at xraybrad@aol.com.

October 12th is Fellowcraft meeting at 7:30 p.m.

October 13th is the Grand Lecturer's Convention at Fairport Lodge. There is a dinner at 6:30 p.m. Call for reservations. The meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. I hope we can get a good turnout for this from (all) our members. There is an Award for the Lodge with most officers in attendance. It would be nice to have the Banner in Webster Lodge for the next year.

October 14th is the Grand Master's Town Meeting. This will be at the Downtown Temple at 8:00 a.m. The Grand Master's Ball will be in Buffalo at 6:30 p.m. Call me for information.

October 19th is the Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Award Night. Brother Norman Hilfiker will be receiving the Award. This will be at the Downtown Temple. We will meet at the Lodge at 6:30 p.m. and carpool it.

October 22nd is the Interfaith Service and Breakfast at Logan's Party House. Our Secretary, Paul Sobtzyk, has tickets and you can call him at 671-8980 or e-mail him at sobtzyk@juno.com

October 26th will be an Officer's meeting and a 1st Degree rehearsal at 7:30 p.m.

As you can see, October is a busy month, so please take time to stop and smell the roses.

November 2nd will be a 1st Degree-formal.

Have a good Fall and I hope to see you all in Lodge.

Birthday greetings to all born in October-Frank Andrews,

Webster Lodge & Webster O.E.S. Community Service Spaghetti Dinner

Friday,
Oct. 6th
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St. John's Bible

The historic St. John's Lodge Bible was featured on the History Channel.

As is very well known among Masons, the Bible upon which Brother George Washington took his Oath of Office as President of the United States, was borrowed from a New York Masonic Lodge, St. John's Lodge No. 1. That Bible is still in the possession of St. John's Lodge, and has been used at several subsequent Presidential Inaugurations and important national public events. It is used every year at the Investiture of Grand Lodge Officers.

This specific piece of Masonic lore, and other interesting facts, pertaining to Masonry were highlighted in a program on the History Channel called, "History's Lost and Found" on Sept. 22nd.

The Secretary of St. John's Lodge, W.V. John Mountain, was interviewed giving many very positive, accurate comments on the Fraternity. It was filmed in the Colonial Room, one of the eleven beautifully restored Lodge rooms in the New York Grand Lodge Building in N.Y. City. □

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

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723-0083
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Rochester, New York 14612

Fraternal greetings to all! This is my 2nd article of the year and I think I am getting the hang of it!

The winner!

On September 5th we had our first meeting and I said that I would announce the winner of the Loudest or Ugliest Shirt Contest. The winner is...Brother Bill Fredenburg. Bill, you can return that shirt from wherever you got it!

October meetings

On October 3rd we will be having a 1st Degree with the Junior Warden in the East.

October 13th will be the Grand Lecturer's Convention at Fairport Lodge.

October 17th will be a regular business meeting.

Spaghetti Dinner

This is a little early to bring this up, but I am going to mention it anyway! On November 21st we will be having a free Spaghetti Dinner, but actually it's not free. The catch is to bring in a man's, woman's or child's Winter coat in fair condition and you will get a free Spaghetti Dinner. The coats will be donated to the Open Door Mission. I hope to have a spokesperson from the Open Door Mission to give a speech and accept the coats.

That same night Bruce Chilton, from Damascus Temple Shrine, will do a presentation on the Shrine. This is an open meeting, so all are welcome. Bring your friends and family.

Hope to see everybody in Lodge.

Churchville Lodge No. 667

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



W. John H.
Hennessey, Jr.
Master
594-1545

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

W. George R. Burke,
Secretary 293-1629

Well, Brethren, we finally got the refrigerators out of the Lodge. I'd like to thank Dave Youngman, Ed Roman, and George Burke for their efforts in this move.

The first meeting brought our Official Visit from R. W. William Lindsay. Everything went well. The meal was provided by Brothers Al Jeering and Garry Hutcherson.

The Brother Bring-a-Friend Night went well. I hope to see many new faces around Lodge in the near future.

Our 1st Degree has been rescheduled to November 8th. This will give us the extra time we need to prepare for our Degrees. Hope to see you all there.

We wish all the snowbirds a good trip South. Have a happy Halloween.

Remember our web site, www.geocities.com/churchvilleg667.

NORTHFIELD

Lodge

No. 426

Instituted
March 1857



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

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W. Donald C. Smith
Secretary 248-5170

17 Church Street
Pittsford, N.Y.
14534

Well, Summer is gone and Fall will soon be in the air. I personally don't like to see the cold weather that is sure to come, but I love to see the beautiful foliage that comes with the changing of the season, and of course, football!

Thanks

The Annual Steak and Chicken Roast was held on August 24th at the Lodge. It was well attended and a good time was had by all, thanks to Brother Dean Smith, Junior Warden. Thanks to all who helped to make this event a success.

Blood Drive

August 29th was the date of the Annual Red Cross Blood Drive. About 30 people came to donate, thanks Brother Pedro Ugalde, Junior Deacon, and Brother Dean Smith, Junior Warden. Each made at least 200 calls. We hope that next year the cabletows of the Brethren will allow them to participate making it possible to contact all of the donors for an even better turnout. We also thank Walt Weick, D.S.A., for his help.

Good time

August 31st found the officers of Northfield at the Lodge for a Hot Dog Roast and practice of Ritual. We worked on opening, closing and balloting. Everyone had a good time and the work went well.

September

The first meeting of the year was held on September 7th. The work of the evening was Ritual practice and processing of petitions. Two petitions were voted on and two will be voted on at our next communication, three of which Brother Pedro Ugalde is responsible for. Good job, Pedro. Brother R.J. Muto, Junior Deacon, did a fine job with his Ritual work.

Sickness

W. George Bradshaw is in need of our prayers. He has been feeling under the weather for a while. Hope you are feeling better soon, George.

October

October 5th is the date of the 1st Degree. Our Senior Warden, Jim Knapp, will be in the East. We have candidates, so put that date on your calendar and come on out and give us your support.

October 19th will be the date of the Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Awards at the Downtown Temple, 7:30 p.m. We have selected a recipient and need all we can get there to support him. Because it is our meeting night, we will be opening and closing Lodge at 7:00 p.m., and those who want to can carpool downtown. The guest speaker will be our Grand Master, M. W. Carl J. Smith.

November

November 2nd is the date of the 2nd Degree. Junior Warden, Dean Smith, will be in the East. I hope you will come out and give Dean your support.

Calling Committee

The Junior Warden has the Calling Committee up and running, but ultimately you are responsible for your own dinner reservations. If you want to make reservations for a Degree night, and you don't get a call by the Friday preceding a Degree, call Brother Dean at 586-9298. If you don't get him, call me at 787-3357.

Officer's meetings are slated for the 4th Thursday of every month. It is very important that we have effective meetings so the stated ones move along smoothly and quickly.

Grand honors!

On behalf of the Brothers of Northfield, we are proud of R. W. Robert Zahn for fulfilling his duties as Grand Representative of Denmark. Grand honors!

That's it for now. Remember, if there is a Brother in need, don't hesitate to call one of the officers or someone else from Lodge. We are here for you!

CLIO LODGE No. 779



W. Robert D.
Pederson,
Master
865-0849

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

W. Sean Noonan
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Greetings

Fall is just around the corner. How quickly Summer has passed us. Often in our fast paced lives we wonder where the time goes. As we begin our work in the quarries for the new year, let's stop, and take a breath of fresh air to enjoy the fellowship we gain from our labors during Lodge functions and the friendship on our meeting nights.

Kudos

Our first Spaghetti Dinner was another great success, again due in part to the many Brothers who worked so diligently before, during and after. Hard work pays off when you see the community enjoy the fruits of our labor. The dates for the October Dinners are the 11th and 25th.

Looking ahead

The October 3rd meeting will rekindle the "Light in Masonry". A refresher course on Masonic Etiquette is the topic. The October 17th meeting will be the 1st Degree with SW Gordie Smith in the East. Rehearsal times will be announced October 3rd.

The Scottish Rite Awards Presentation will be Thursday, Octo-

ber 19th, 7:30 p.m. in Cathedral Hall in the Downtown Masonic Temple. Families and friends are invited and encouraged to attend. This Award, presented by the Scottish Rite, is in recognition of those dedicated workers in the quarries of each Master Mason Lodge in the greater Rochester area.

October Birthdays

Those celebrating this month are: Charles Tucker, Charles L. Worboys, Harry Hopkins, Gus Neidrich, Steve Smalley, and Scott Blystone. Congratulations on another candle. Just another way to obtain "more light".

Closing

For those Brothers whom we have not seen in a while, please join us, renew old friendships, or introduce yourself to newly raised Brothers. In need of a ride? We are only a telephone call away. Do not consider it a bother, call a Brother.

MONROE Lodge No. 173



2nd
Tuesday
7:30 P.M.

Master
W. George
W. Brege

Secretary
Roy D. Goold,
637-6419

67 Main Street
Brockport, N.Y. 14420

Good morning, Monroe No. 173, how are you? To those twelve Brothers and sisters who profess to read this column (that's from our 100% survey) a special "Hello".

1st meeting

Our first meeting of the year was September 12th. After the meeting we shared doughnuts and it was good to be back in the Lodge rooms once again after the Summer hiatus.

Award recipient

An important piece of business conducted was the nomination of Brother John Brugger for the Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Award to be presented at the Downtown Masonic Temple on Thursday, October 19th. Families and guests are invited and encouraged to attend. Our Nominating Committee was presented with a list of past recipients of the Award by the Scottish Rite. It was noteworthy that the last person from Monroe Lodge to receive this Award was Past Master, W. Steve Harris, in 1997.

I don't know why we have had this two year drought in nominations. Perhaps because Steve is a hard act to follow. I remember that I placed his name in nomination and the warm feeling of enthusiasm and camaraderie from all in attendance over Steve's receiving the nomination, and subsequent Award.

Dues cards

The 2001 dues cards will be in shortly and ready for distribution. As a refresher, dues amounts are \$40.50 for regular members, if paid prior to March 1st, \$36.50 and for Life Members it is \$23.50. Please forward dues to the Secretary.

Official Visit

Our Official Visit of the DDGM will be November 14th. Remember, it is your Lodge. We are just trying to keep the lights turned on for you. Make time to come to Lodge, it will be appreciated. It is hoped that the length of

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your cabletow will permit you to join us this important evening.

Sadness

Since my last writing we have learned of deaths in our Masonic family. W. Joseph Matela's father passed, as has Roland Prince. Edward Carpenter's mother died and Richard Petrolene's mother passed. Among our widows, Helen Paniel and Adele Craw (Mrs. Harold). Cards or flowers have been sent. Our thoughts and prayers are with their families at this time of sorrow and great loss.

Send cards

We have learned that Brother Jim Wilkins has fallen several times and is now at the Kirkhaven Nursing Home in Rochester. If you would like to send him a card mail it to his son, James III, at his Palmyra address or to 705 Ladue Rd., Brockport, per the Lodge Directory.

Ralph Cassady had open-heart surgery and is now at home recuperating. Bob Ellis is also home after undergoing treatments.

Thank you received

We have received Thank You notes from Project Graduation for the two Math Awards we presented; from Lakeside Hospital for the donation of a wheelchair with sides and a geri chair, and a separate donation to the Ronald McDonald House.

ERAC Lodge No. 163



W. Louis
Perna, Master
334-8266

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

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East Rochester, N.Y. 14445

August turned out to be a very busy month, planning Awards Night. The event itself was a huge success with a sellout crowd consisting of many Lodge Brothers, visitors and dignitaries. The Lodge presented 25 Awards, ranging from 5 Year to 60 Year Awards being presented. This was followed by the presentation of the Lodge Charter by Grand Master, M. W. Carl J. Smith, who also presented the DDGM Apron to R. W. Bill Lindsay, and the Junior Grand Warden Apron to R. W. Richard Friedman. If you were there, you were no doubt moved to excitement and proud to be a Mason.

Sad news

The Summer brought us the news of several sad events, including the deaths of SW Dave Zeta's father-in-law, Pat Nicholson's mother and Tom O'Leary's sister. Death, my Brothers, is a profound event. Please be ever so conscious of the importance of giving support to any Brother in need of your aid or sympathy.

Candidates

We have two candidates for the 1st Degree scheduled in November. However, we are having our Brother Bring-a-Friend Program on October 9th. Please invite a friend, family member or work acquaintance. Invite anyone you think would be interested in being involved in this organization. The worst that can happen is that they will enjoy an evening

complete with a fine meal and conversation with good men, with whom you, yourself, have chosen to associate.

Garage Sale

Don't forget the 1st Annual Lodge Garage Sale, planned for October 14th. We still need volunteers. Please let me know what items you have chosen to donate and put them aside. A plan will be developed to transport these items to the Lodge. All proceeds go to the Lodge and will be used as the Brethren see fit.

I am always open to advice and suggestions. Call me at home, 334-8265, at work, 368-3949, or by e-mail: LPerna@peoplepc.com. □

FAME

Lodge No. 945

CHARTERED 1917

4275 CULVER RD.

ROCHESTER, N.Y. 14622



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

Leon VanHuben, Secretary
647-1391

The slow languid days of Summer are now behind us. The calendar year is rushing to a close. The press of the impending holidays is just over the hill. The daylight hours are beginning to dwindle.

Important business

We have important Lodge business to conclude. The merger with Germania continues on-line and the official melding of our two groups is expected in the near future.

Sadness

On September 12th a Service was held for one of our fallen Brothers, W. Joseph Sapienza. The Brothers of Fame Lodge and other friends will miss him. Personally, my greatest memories of Joe have to do with good times we had bowling and playing Euchre.

Regular meeting

Our regular meeting on September 12th was prefaced with a soup and sandwich meal. It was well described as a sumptuous repast.

Lastly

Remember to keep me advised of any news of note, whether good or bad. School is back in session, drive especially carefully. Hey, good lookin', I can't help it if I'm still in love with you. Hank Williams has left the building. □

GERMANIA

Lodge No. 722

4275 CULVER RD.

ROCHESTER, N.Y.

14622



W. Nelson Bertch, Master
671-4792

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

Secretary

W. John H. Foster 467-1677

October is one of the two months during the year when we actually have two meetings. The 1st meeting will be on Tuesday, October 3rd and it will be a business meeting. The 2nd meeting, on October 17th, will be a Card Party Night after a short business meeting. All this may change, however,

depending on the status of our consolidation with Fame Lodge. Both meetings will be preceded by Pot Luck Dinners starting at 6:30 p.m. As soon as we know anything, you will be notified.

Steak Roast

At this time there are no firm plans for our Annual Steak Roast which we normally hold in October. Once we've had a meeting to determine what, if anything, we are doing, we'll send out a flyer with the details. If you want to help with the Steak Roast, give Nelson or Dave a call.

Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to the friends and families of Brothers Bernard Karpowicz and Allen Burrows who joined our heavenly family on June 20th and July 19th, respectively.

Let us know

Please, Brothers, if you (or if you know of any of our Brothers who) are in need of our aid or sympathy, call one of your officers. Telephone numbers are listed in the box at the top of this article. If nobody tells us, we can't help. Don't hesitate to call. It's better to hear from two or more than not to hear at all!

Last, but not least, Happy Birthday to all the Brothers with October birthdays. See you in Lodge. □

Flower City

Lodge No. 910



W. Douglas R. Higgins, Master
321-0302

2nd
Thursday
7:30 P.M.

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

It was great to resume our duties at Lodge after our Summer recess. The first meeting went smoothly and I am very pleased at how well the officers have learned their Ritual. We also had some people on the sidelines. What a pleasant surprise! My thanks to all for your support.

The Fellowcraft Club Dinners will resume on each first Thursday of the month, starting on October 5th. Please bring the ladies with you. I need reservations ASAP, so please call me at home and let me know you are coming. If I am out, leave the information on my voicemail. Our first dinner will be at the Northside Inn in East Rochester. I am looking forward to seeing you there!

October

Our next official meeting will be held on Thursday, October 12th in Ionic Hall, starting at 7:30 p.m. I hope you will all come out and support the Lodge and your officers.

As I mentioned before, if you know of any programs that may be of interest to our Brothers and ladies, please let me know. I would like to hold a few open programs that would allow the ladies to join us. I feel it is important to include our families in our activities as much as is possible.

At present, we are still meeting with Fairport Lodge to discuss the possible upcoming merger. I will contact the committee members as we arrange meetings. Hopefully this will be completed with a minimum amount of trouble and confusion. Please feel free to contact me or

any of your officers if you have questions or concerns.

That is all there is to report at the moment. I am looking forward to seeing you all at our next meeting. □

Seneca Lodge

No. 797

Second Tuesday
6:00 P.M.



W. Michael C. Ferguson
359-9052

Robert C. Green, Jr., Secretary
223-5953

30 Orchard St.,
Webster, N.Y. 14580

Why study history?

Professor Fisher of Yale University says: "The subject of history is man. History has for its object to record his doings and experiences. It may then be concisely defined as a narrative of past events in which men have been concerned...History has been called the 'biography of a society'. Biography has to do with the career of an individual. History is concerned with the successive actions and fortunes of a community, in its broadest extent, with the experiences of the human family. It is only when men are connected by the social bond, and remain so united for a greater or less period, that there is room for history."

In other words, we must record the events and actions of our Lodge. It is our duty as Masons to learn our collective heritage so that we may be connected to each other and our past. It is only from the teachings of the past that we may plot a sound course for the future.

We have started our journey through the archives of our Lodge with the presentation retracing the steps of Frank R. Lawrence No. 797. It is my hope that some of the traditions of that great Lodge will be rekindled. My sincere thanks to R. W. Fred Belluscio and W. Jim Cooper.

Waddles

R. W. Steve Whittaker now has a big act to follow. On October 10th it is his turn to relay the History and Heritage of Seneca Lodge No. 920. I am confident he is up to the task. I know he has been in contact with R. W. Don Scrivens, who has kept much of Seneca's history. Come to Lodge and learn. Just to whet your appetite, here are some questions that perhaps you can answer. If you can't, you must come to Lodge to find out.

Which well known Seneca member was known affectionately as "Waddles" and who tagged him with that name?

Which Past Master presided over (what we believe to be) the most historic meeting at the "new" Masonic Temple in 1930?

Which prominent Past Master stood up at Grand Lodge in 1962 and from the floor nominated a future Grand Master?

November

In November we will have an open discussion of Seneca Lodge No. 797's present and future. My intention is to take the best of our heritage into the 21st century. With your help and input, our past, and your desires to keep our Lodge vibrant and thriving, will guide our future direction. With a firm grasp on the past, we can plot a course for a prodigious future. □

Valley/Simes

Lodge

No. 109



W. Michael G. Batz, Master
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2nd Tuesday
7:30 P.M.

R. W. Herbert Spencer, Sec.
271-8577

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Rochester, N.Y.
14605-2789

We had our Official Visit on September 12th and as expected, all was in order. As you may remember from last year, we conducted a voluntary Lodge audit of financial concern and possible changes to our procedure and policy regarding the whole of our affairs. The financial audit was intensive and several suggestions have been made. They were discussed briefly at our most recent meeting. Some areas of our By-Laws may be affected.

Grand scenery!

A large group sailed on the Canandaigua Lady in August and had a great time. The food was delicious and the scenery grand! The management of the cruise line apologized for an apparent oversight in planning and with typical professionalism and wisdom, responded with a generous offer. We look forward to our next outing with them.

Safe journeys

Many of you are heading South again. Don't be strangers. If you have an e-mail address, please leave it with Herb Spencer. We will be sending out regular notices and a Fall newsletter. Have safe journeys, all. Please continue to communicate sickness and distress, or other equally important information as timely as possible. I look forward to seeing you again in the Spring!

Exciting year

We have an exciting year unfolding, both for Valley/Simes No. 109 and the District. I must be repeating myself, yet, because I am motivated, encouraged, and energized by everyone working to bring this off, I feel obligated to praise them for their work. They know who they are. My per-

sonal feelings lead me to believe that Masonry has really turned around!

October

On October 24th we are having a Table Lodge and I am looking for toast ideas in addition to several I already have. There will be non-alcoholic beverages available for this treat. You won't want to miss this, I assure you!

Stay tuned for messages from the Fellowcraft Club. □

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By Robert Ogden

Nice going

Congratulations to our newly elected Master, W. Gabe Milonni, who did a fine job in the East. Nice going, Brother Gabe.

Sickness

Our best wishes for a speedy recovery to W. Chuck Walker, and Brothers Phil Cissell and Bill Kicherer, who have not been feeling up to par lately.

Entertainment

Brother Warren Doerrr did it again! He introduced Stan Marshall and his assistant to put on a Trivial Pursuit game of sorts. Most interesting and hilarious. Nice choice, Brother Warren Doerrr.

Symbolic Awards

Brother Duane Smith has been elected to receive the Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Award on October 19th in Cathedral Hall, Downtown Temple, at 7:30 p.m. Please plan to come shortly after 7:00 p.m., and let's go all out and support Brother Duane.

Bring-a-Friend Night

After our delicious Breast of Chicken Dinner with our ladies and guests, W. Mike Schum will

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present a Bring-a-Friend Night program on October 3rd.

Town Meeting

Our Grand Master, M.W. Carl J. Smith, will conduct a Town Meeting on October 14th at the Downtown Temple. Breakfast is at 8:00 a.m., followed by the meeting from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Please get your reservations in soon.

Reminder

Mark your calendars for October 22nd, the Interfaith Service and Breakfast at Logan's Party House. The Service is at 9:00 a.m., followed by Breakfast at 10:00 a.m. I believe a quartet has already volunteered to do the music portion of the service.

October birthdays

Many happy returns to the Brothers born in October: Phil Cissell, Gabe Milonni, Dick Smith, Chuck Rupert, Kevin Hook, Ed King, Earl Vincent, Vic Anderson, Ray Ross, Conrad May and Joe Roe.

October meetings

There will be a dinner with our ladies and a Bring-a-Friend Night on October 3rd.

October 10th is Fellowcraft Night with a rehearsal for the Entered Apprentice Degree.

On October 17th the Senior Warden will confer the Entered Apprentice Degree.

Moving

W. Ken Goodrich will become a Vice President of a corporation near Springfield, Massachusetts. Brother Ken and Laurie will be leaving the Rochester area shortly after October 1st and we wish them the very best.

Wakan/Hubbard

Lodge No. 154



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

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The Lodge is now back in full swing, and as you read this, we have had our 1st Degree and are headed for the 2nd Degree. I would like to thank our Senior Warden, Steve Maynard, and his team for the fine work done.

Our Clam Bake is scheduled for September 30th. Thanks to our Chairman, Senior Deacon, Joe Oelgoetz, and his assistants.

October

A full month of activities is planned for October. There will be a dinner with our ladies on the 9th, and our speaker will be R.W. Dave Clarke. There will be a Golf Tournament on October 9th, under the direction of R.W. Don Brugger.

On October 23rd we will confer our 2nd Degree and our Master's Ball is October 28th.

November

We will kick off November with a dinner on the 13th, with our ladies and R.W. Rod Rittenhouse will be the guest speaker.

On November 27th we will confer our 3rd Degree with a dinner. Sorry, no ladies.

If you have any keys to the Lodge, please notify our Secretary so they may be inventoried.

Included in this month's issue is an article by our own Mike Robinson about Len Latta.

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Mondays
7:30 p.m.

W. Michael G. Schwartz
Secretary
352-4016

Lodge events

Our late Summer Blood Drive was very successful. The Lodge collected 75 pints of blood, thanks to the efforts of Brother Ray Mandeville and SW, Karl-Heinz Reich. They were assisted by 5 other Brothers for set-up and tear down.

On August 19th seven Brothers from the Lodge ventured out onto Rt. 531 for a morning of heavy work. Organized by R.W. Jim Powell, we spread 2 truck loads of dirt around our Monroe County in Bloom site, and did an overall clean-up.

On September 11th we had our Annual Steak Roast, courtesy of JW, Jim Toogood. After a fine dinner we traveled from the West to the East to attend the Apron Presentations for our Junior Grand Warden, R.W. Rich Friedman and our District Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bill Lindsay.

Upcoming events

On September 30th, at 1:00 p.m., the Lodge is presenting Ginny Swarthout with the DeWitt Clinton Award for Community Service. Some of her accomplishments in the community include Businessperson of the Year

in 1994; Member of the Spencerport Canal Days Committee since 1983, where she served as Canal Days Chairperson, Craft Chairperson and Vendor Chairperson. She is also a member of the Economic Development Committee and a former Girl Scout leader. As the founder and owner of the Unique Shop, she has donated part of the proceeds from sales of Village memorabilia to the Spencerport Ambulance and local churches. Please come out and join us in recognizing this community leader.

October

On October 9th the York Rite will visit us. This is a great opportunity to learn more about one of the other Bodies in Masonry.

October 13th is the Grand Lecturer's Convention at Fairport Lodge.

October 14th is the Grand Master's Town Meeting at the Downtown Temple, an excellent opportunity to discuss the future of Freemasonry with the Grand Master. That evening is the Grand Master's Ball in Buffalo.

On October 23rd we will be conferring the 2nd Degree. Please come out and help us welcome our new Brothers.

Please join us, as the old saying goes, "the more the merrier". If you need assistance to attend an event, please contact me or another Brother. We are here to help.

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Many of our Brothers put in a lot of hours and lots of hard work on making the benches in the Lodge room more comfortable. We now have new cushions for most all of the seats and new upholstery on the officer's chairs. The old bench covers were completely removed, along with hundreds of old upholstery tacks, and have now been all replaced. Come to our meetings and see the new look on the chairs and benches in our Lodge room. Special thanks to R.W. Bob Sanford and W. Ron Morthorst, who spearheaded this project, and to all of the other Brothers who made these changes possible.

Join us

At our meeting on October 9th, we will have our Official Visit by the District Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bill Lindsay. He may be accompanied by one or more of his Staff Officers, R.W. Cliff Short and R.W. Jim De Lorenzo. Plan to attend and meet these District leaders.

Town Meeting

We will soon have the opportunity to meet our Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York, M.W. Carl J. Smith. He will be at the Town Meeting at the Downtown Temple to interface with Lodge Brothers and hear their ideas and suggestions for improving our Craft. This will be on Saturday, October 14th. Registration is between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. All Brothers are welcome and encouraged to attend. On this same day, the Grand

Master's Ball will be held in Amherst. Contact R.W. Bill Lindsay for tickets; reservations need to be in by October 2nd.

October events

The Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Awards will be presented on Thursday, October 19th, at the Downtown Temple. We will be selecting a worthy and dedicated Brother from our Lodge to participate in the presentation of these Awards. The starting time is 7:30 p.m. All Brothers are welcome to attend. Let's show our support for the recipient from our Lodge.

The Interfaith Service and Breakfast will be at Logan's Party House on Scottsville Road on Sunday, October 22nd, at 9:00 a.m. For your reservation, contact Angelo DiCataldo at 461-5253.

On Monday, October 23rd, we will have a Brother Bring-a-Friend Night. There will be a dinner at 6:30 p.m. and we will need reservations. Give a call to our Senior Warden, Jim Nersinger, at 334-9057. Please consider bringing a guest who might be interested in learning about Masonry, and let us know in advance of any potential candidates.

I Should Have Known

By Michael Robinson

I should have known—one of the problems of growing old is enduring the pain of losing one's mentors—friends. I was horribly shocked when the call came. The news hit me like a 2x4. Len Latta and I discussed life and death at length for the years, I'm proud to say, we knew each other.

We were in agreement on the finality of our existence on earth as breathing human beings and upon death we reflected with joint amusement at how some people would seemingly torture their family and friends with elaborate wakes, funerals and cemetery headstones.

Len had a measured composure, and a friendly affable demeanor when I met him thru a mutual friend, Grace Sutton. I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN he was a Master Mason, by his unselfish offering to others. Before I knew him he was "Mister Chocolate", a proud representative for the World's Finest Chocolate Co. Before that I found out he had several careers, leading a busy life.

When I fell on personal hard times and lost my income, Len was there, insisting that I take his hand and a no-interest loan. Len was a giver. He gave me his time. Time after time I'd call Len for advice on punctuation, verbiage and letter writing. He always en-

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couraged me to write. Nor was he above asking for help when even he was sometimes stumped with a crossword puzzle. Len was an articulate conveyor of sound thinking and enjoyed debating media "news".

Len loved cats! In fact, I met Len at a cat club meeting. He was very supportive and empathetic for animal welfare. Grace Sutton gave him a couple of cats. He, of course, rescued another and named him Scamper. A few years ago Len and I assisted a couple of Rochester area veterinarians and many, many concerned cat lovers as ourselves, in rescuing over 68 neglected cats found in squalid conditions. Len shuttled many of the stabilized cats and kittens out to the Wayne County Humane Society in his car, to give them a chance. That was Len, quiet, steady and caring. He knew what had to be done and he took it upon himself to assist. He donated his time, money and love.

I would call or visit Len 5 days a week, sometimes on the weekend. A week before his death I dropped by and fixed him bacon and eggs. He was so thrilled to smell the bacon! True to his sharing nature, he took a bite of bacon for himself, more to test the heat of it, and promptly shared a yummy morsel with his sweet cat, Domino. Then he insisted I partake of some of this feast, too. I enjoyed this meal with Len and his furry little charges, not realizing all his preparations for leaving us would hit so soon. I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN.

Recently, Len asked those of us who knew him to "not distress my cats when I go". He rehearsed with me several times exactly how things would go once the Great Architect opened His arms to receive him. "I don't want strangers chasing my cats around here



A hint of Brother Len Latta's philosophy of life.

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Brother Latta was an ardent cat lover.

(Photos Mike Robinson)

when I'm gone. The boys (referring to his neighbors) and you, Mike, if you're available, can catch them. Please, do not distress my cats when I go."

I once told Len a story of my own father trying to reach me. When I didn't return his page fast enough for his liking, he called again and said, "Mike, please call your dear old man, someday you'll miss me." Len got a kick out of that story and added, "I'm sure sometimes that's the best someone can hope for." That was Len, articulating his own thoughts, voicing his own thinking and hoping to someday himself be missed.

Well, he need not have feared then, as now we all miss him and will continue to miss him. He laid the foundation for some immortality however, by his numerous kind and thoughtful acts. His was an enduring and affirmative spirit. Len recently sent me an article that ended with, "We don't always want answers or advice. Sometimes we just want company." I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN.

When death strikes, it is a terrible blow and the pain is tremendous. Last night I gathered up Len's cats, Domino, Donder and Scamper. I placed them in carriers and took them home with me. After I got them settled in they looked at me with enigmatic stares, as I part sang, then part cried, "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot".

Now, today, as yesterday, after I pray that my friend Len finds eternal peace and happiness, I will study and pet his 3 cats and learn what I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN.

Electrifying Bloopers

Tom Paglia

Old gas pipes

This scenario is one about a young lady who purchased a house which was about 70 years old, in fact it still had the old gas piping used for gas lighting purposes. I received the call and this pleasant voice said, "I have some kind of an electrical problem. I was in the attic to clean some newspapers which were laid down on the floor as insulation (believe it or not, that's how they insulated the attic floor in those days) and noticed this metal box sticking up from the floor. As I tried to insert it back into the floor, sparks shot out at me."

When I arrived at her home, she told me she had some repair work done in her second floor bathroom by a friend of hers.

Mission 1

As usual some of the flooring had to be removed so they could do the wiring. I picked up the loose boards and there it was, a 4" junction box loaded with wires and next to it was an old gas pipe with wires coming out of it, not attached to the box. Looking further, I found the insulation on the wires had broken off and it shorted out on some steel covered cable. The gas pipe was 3/8" and the knock-out hole on the box was 1/2", which meant a special fitting was needed to mate the two. Not having it, they just wrapped the wires with friction tape and put it all back into the void between the ceiling joist. Naturally, over the years the friction tape and insulation dried out and when the friend started to move the wire, the insulation crumbled, which exposed bare wires.

This looked like a simple job until I attempted to disconnect the gas pipe and found the whole length moved, so more boards had to be removed to find why the pipe was moving. About 20 feet of flooring had to be removed to find the other end, which was not attached to the gas pipe coming up from the second floor wall.

When they rewired, they used the gas pipe as a sleeve to fish the old black tar covered wires through the floor and never re-attached it back to the pipe; just wrapped friction tape around the wires and left them exposed. This all had to be removed and new wiring installed because the old wiring did not have a ground wire. The old junction box had to be removed and a larger, deeper box had to be installed to accommodate all of the wires. You don't stuff 14 wires into a box made for only 9.

The job in itself was not too bad, but have you ever worked in an attic where the temperature is around 100°? All I needed was a towel and soap!

Mission 2

After this section was finished, she asked me to look at the wiring in the bathroom. Since there was no heat in the bathroom, she used a floor heater, and when she plugged it and the hair dryer in, she lost power. It only had a 15 amp breaker. She said her friend told her it was on its own circuit. The circuit fed the light circuit near the medicine cabinet and then continued into the next room to another outlet. All of the walls and flooring in the bathroom were closed and there was no way to get to the basement from the second floor without about two days work fishing wires. She had to think about this one.

Mission 3

She told me to look at the baseboard electric heaters in the room behind the bathroom, which she was going to make into an office space. She thought they cost too much to operate. Looking at the heaters, I explained to her that the thermostats were under the windows, near the floor, with cold air always flowing onto them, which meant they would never shut off. She wanted them removed, which was a very good idea. They were 20 amp circuits, and I could use one for her portable floor heater and the other for her new office.

When removing the baseboard, I found a nail driven through the ground wire. This in itself is bad enough, but if it were driven into the hot wire and not shorted out, the nail would have been energized. Someone touching it, if they were grounded, would have a serious accident. She really liked the idea of using the two circuits for what she needed, because now I did not have to spend two days fishing wires for her heater and office.

Mission completed? So I thought!

Mission 4

The porch light did not work. The same friend had reinstalled the ceiling fixture after it had dropped down. Removing the fixture, I found only a bracket and a short nipple to hold the fixture attached to the porch ceiling. There it was, he had jammed the wires against the nipple and shorted both wires, which cut the wires. The broken wires could not be seen because the insulation was of the cloth type. The wire can be broken inside and you may not be able to see it unless you know what you are looking for.

The reason she gave me the jobs one at a time was because she was not sure how long each job would take to complete.

As I say, "Friends are very nice to have, but make sure they have enough knowledge about the work they will do for you". A penny saved can cost you DOLLARS! □



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Following a Breakfast Buffet Saturday morning in the Wiley Hall Dining Room, the participants will move to the Master Mason Activity Room. 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) will be discussed. The program concludes with lunch at Acacia Village on Saturday.

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Masonic Home Story

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With the Fall season upon us, how about scheduling a program about the Masonic Home for the Brethren and ladies of your Lodge/District? W.: Daniel L. Clark, Public Relations Coordinator for the Masonic Home, is available to present a video about the Home and answer your questions about the programs, services and costs for care at the Masonic Home located on our magnificent campus in Utica.

Listed below are the dates of programs that have been scheduled. If you would like to attend one of these programs before scheduling one for your Lodge, please do so. For additional information about these programs or to learn more about having a program in your area, contact W.: Daniel L. Clark at the Ma-

sonic Home, 2150 Bleeker Street, Utica, NY 13501 or call 315-798-4923 or 800-322-8826 or clarkd@masonichomeny.org.

Masonic Home Presentation Programs scheduled in the area

October 11th at Dunwoodie Lodge 863, 1st Westchester Putnam, Tarrytown.

October 18th at Rhinebeck No. 432, Dutchess, Rhinebeck.

October 23rd, ERAC No. 163, Monroe, East Rochester. □

Were You There?

Training, great fun and wonderful entertainment were the ingredients for a terrific weekend for this year's St. John's festivities held the weekend of June 23 through June 25th. On Saturday, the melodies of the Mohican's Big Band and the Marching Red Band, along with the aroma of barbecued chicken drifted throughout the campus.

More than 3,000 visitors crowded the campus to eat, browse craft booths, watch great entertainment, tour the campus, enjoy the free rides and games for the children and watch a parade. Visitors came from all over the Mohawk Valley, as well as New York State, to enjoy the festivities of the day.

Adults milled in and out of various tents to see all kinds of Beanie Babies, sterling silver jewelry, homemade pillows, sweets and a host of arts and crafts.

Youngsters, on the other hand, were hopping on and off the free rides and enjoying the games that were manned by the East Utica Optimist Club members. Scotty's train was a big hit for the children to ride to the Day Care Center, where they were able to be videotaped free of charge by the Masons from Erie County. Approximately 75 chil-

dren were videotaped as a result of this program provided by the Child ID Committee.

Great performances by the Danceter Dancers and The Race to the Moon Puppet Show caught the crowd's attention in the Auditorium. Other entertainment included: Tae Kwon Do Demonstrations and organ music by Jack Ovitt in the Tompkins Chapel.

Children crowded around the Zanies clowns who roamed the campus in their colorful costumes. They were excited when the clowns masterfully manipulated balloons into animals for them.

As you looked out on the magnificent campus, the International Cafe was filled with residents visiting with their Brethren and friends who came to visit them on this special day.

While Mom visited the arts and craft booths, Dad took advantage of the Antique Car Display presented by the Mohawk Motorcades.

The parade, featuring great music and antique cars, was a special treat for the residents and our visitors from the community. The Grand Master and the Grand Lodge officers did their usual splendid job with the Investiture Service. Sunday morning began with a Breakfast Buffet in Fellowship Hall, followed by wor-

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Learning Centers

The 32° Masonic Learning Centers for Children Program was established by the Supreme Council in 1994 to provide dyslexic children with specialized tutoring enabling them to read and write more effectively. This service, offered free, will be offered at 55 Centers in the 15 state N.M. Jurisdiction by 2003. The Rochester Center was officially opened in 1997. It is the only Center currently operating in New York State. A Center, developed in Albany, is being opened next year. Twenty-four Centers currently are operating throughout the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction. Already there are many success stories of young children overcoming their disabilities. In the year 2000, the Supreme Council has appropriated \$4 million for the building and maintenance of the Learning Center Program.

The mission of this Program is to provide quality, state-of-the-art, remedial education for children with disabilities in reading, writing, and related scholastic skills, diagnosed as "dyslexia". In keeping with the commitment of the Scottish Rite Masons to children in the community, this service is provided free of charge for those who have previously been

tested, evaluated, and diagnosed as dyslexics.

Children who have dyslexia view reading as a painful experience. As a result of the services provided by a Center, their attitude toward reading, and of greater importance, their attitude toward school and themselves, has been dramatically and positively changed. The Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the AASR, the N.Y. State Council of Deliberation, and the Valley of Rochester are committed to providing programs for the treatment of childhood dyslexia in an individualized, cost-effective and clinically responsible way.

Dyslexia is a neurological, often familial, disorder which interferes with the acquisition and processing of language, including phonological processing in reading, writing, spelling, handwriting and sometimes in arithmetic. Dyslexia is not the result of a lack of motivation, sensory impairment, adequate instruction or environmental opportunities, or other limiting conditions, but may occur with these conditions. Although dyslexia is lifelong, individuals suffering from it frequently respond successfully with timely and appropriate intervention.

We continue to work on many fronts building and planning for new Centers while developing and implementing administrative policies and procedures for the Centers already in operation. But, the most important news is our continued success in improving the quality of remediation offered for dyslexic children and in the training of tutors who work with the children.

Our teaching is modeled after the Orton-Gillingham method, which uses a structured, sequential, multi-sensory and phonetic approach. With Orton-Gillingham, children are taught diagnostically and individually. Students learn the structure of the English language, using audi-

tory, visual and kinesthetic pathways, while being tutored one-on-one twice a week.

This training program is essential to our success. Tutors first learn the Orton-Gillingham approach, then they tutor children under the close supervision of Orton-Gillingham trainers. Thereafter, tutors attend regular seminars and can study recommended written material to broaden their understanding of dyslexia and its remediation.

As the only Center operating in New York, we in Rochester have had the benefit of financial support from all 22 Valleys within the State. Each Valley has conducted and continues to conduct programs to raise funds for the support of the Rochester Center. We in Rochester have individually and collectively provided substantial gifts to the 32° Masonic Learning Centers for Children Fund. In the 3rd floor corridor leading to the Learning Center is a wall chart recognizing contributors.

I encourage each of you, who have not done so, to come down to the Masonic Temple and visit our Learning Center. Take a tour, talk to those involved, and experience the tremendous good your outreach is doing in the lives of the students in the program.

Our program deserves your support. We have an outstanding group of individuals in the Valley of Rochester, chaired by Brother Dave Larson, developing ideas for fundraising to support the Center. You'll be hearing more from them in the coming months. Please consider their recommendations carefully and contribute to this worthy cause. The impact on the lives of those kids is incomparable to anything you'll find anywhere.

Recruitment

2B1ASK1 is a term widely used in reference to new member recruitment for the Symbolic Lodge. The underlying assumption is that the one asked should be worthy of emulation. Do you measure up? Are your friends, relatives and acquaintances apt to turn to you for inspiration in time of stress or trouble or uncertainty? If not, maybe they don't consider you to represent the values they aspire to achieve. Are you conducting yourself in a manner befitting a good man and Mason? Think about it!

Talents

We each are blessed with certain God-given talents. Some of those talents can be developed and polished through application to new and different challenges. From time to time we have opportunities to develop those talents in a meaningful and rewarding manner. One of those opportunities exists today within our Masonic Fraternity for those of you who want to work with young people. The Order of DeMolay needs interested Masons to work as Advisors, helping our youth develop the values we all recognize that are unique to Masonry. If you are willing to lend a hand and share your experiences with our youth, call Gary Burke, 865-4940, our Representative to the DeMolay Advisory Council to learn more.

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News from the 1st Lt. Commander

By Stephen Whittaker, 32° MSA

Last Summer's June 15th Planning Outing was a great success. There were 47 Scottish Rite Brothers in attendance. Charles O. Hancock, Commander-in-Chief, outlined his expectations for the upcoming year. Ill. John E. Zabel, 33°, 2nd Lt. Commander, and I both were given an opportunity to outline our responsibilities for the next two years. It was interesting that the presiding officers, Brothers Bill Hook, Garry Hutcherson, and Phil Trautman were also given an opportunity to outline their goals and objectives. Of paramount importance at this event was the presence of the Grand Lodge Officers for the Monroe District. It's great that our District Deputy, Bill Lindsay, and his two Staff Officers, Cliff Short and Jim De Lorenzo were present. This speaks very loud and clear about the ties that exist between the Scottish Rite, Grand Lodge Officers and the Craft Lodges within our District. Special thanks to those who prepared the great dinner. See you next year!

Duties

The Lodge of Perfection and Council of Princes of Jerusalem Officers have been given the assignment to contact all Brothers who have dropped their membership during the last five years. It's a big job, but one that holds potential for regaining membership and re-establishing some communications with these Brothers. Likewise, the Chapter of Rose Croix Officers will be contacting those who have not paid their dues in two years and are in danger of being suspended. When you are contacted, please respond in a Brotherly and caring way.

Outing

It was a nice Golf Outing put together by Brother Garry Hutcherson at the Farway Golf Club in Avon. It was great to have the Commanders-in-Chief from Syracuse, Ill.: James Swan, 33°, and Buffalo, Brother Jack Striegel, 32° MSA, along with Brothers Ill.: Gil Adams, 33°, Treasurer of the Valley of Buffalo, and Brother Ken Gibson, Secretary of the Valley of Syracuse, join us for dinner and fellowship. It was great to see Brother Herb Spencer there as he had a close call recently. We're glad the doctors decided to do a pacemaker replacement!

News from afar

We heard from Brother George Stear, 32° MSA, from Florida. He sounds great! He is still involved with DeMolay, Blue Lodge, Scottish Rite and Shrine activities.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Brothers Vern Goodrich, Secretary, and Cyrus Kloner who were elected at the Council of Deliberation in Syracuse in July to receive the Meritorious Service Award at next year's meeting. Stretch forth a hand and congratulate these hard working Brothers when you see them!

New look

Ill.: John E. Zabel, 33°, and Brother Frank Jansson, 32° MSA, are in the process of secur-

ing new costumes for our Degrees. It will be interesting to see the new look.

Thank you

A special thank you to the Valley of Rochester for its sponsorship of the Annual Grand Lodge Officers' Summer Outing. This is another example of the Scottish Rite outreach and our willingness to help, aid and assist all Blue Lodge programs.

Membership Development

Welcome to Brothers Bob Pedersen and Joe Oelgoetz, new Co-chairmen of the Membership Development Team. Special thanks to retiring Don Darrohn, Past DDGM, for his assistance in helping these Brothers assemble a team of dedicated men to serve as Ambassadors within the Monroe District. Our mission is to first help and assist Blue Lodges in the membership development activities. We will be sending our Ambassadors to each Blue Lodge to assist in this area. The flyers, "Who are the Masons?" and "What Do They Do?" can help each Lodge. They will also be using the new "Tool Kit" for development activities. The new brochure, "10 Questions and Answers about the Scottish Rite" is available. Please reach out and help Bob and Joe as they begin to re-energize this strategic effort.

Thoughts and prayers

Take a moment in your busy day to offer a prayer for those Brothers who are in need of our aid and assistance. It is amazing that the power of prayer can be so positive...try it! You'll be amazed at the results.

Military Citation

Congratulations to Brother Alfred K. Miller for the Military Citation that was recently presented to him. The "Jubilee of Liberty" Medal, issued by the Regional Council of Normandy, was presented to him on June 6th at a special Ceremony held at the Canandaigua Academy. This is a commemorative medal issued to the men and women who fought in Normandy to restore freedom. U.S. Representative, Thomas N. Reynolds, arranged a most fitting and colorful Ceremony, at which nearly 200 veterans were individually decorated.

Brother Miller served in France and Germany with Company K, 3rd Battalion, 121st Infantry Regiment, 8th Infantry Division. He also holds the prestigious Combat Infantry Badge, the Bronze Star Medal and the New York State Conspicuous Service Cross. He has been a Mason for 59 years. He is a member of Fairport Lodge No. 476, the Valley of Rochester, and Media Temple, Shrine Masons.

More congratulations

Congratulations to three members of the Valley of Rochester who received appropriate recognition from the Grand Lodge of New York on September 11th at the Shrine Mosque in Webster. Brother Richard C. Friedman was presented his Grand Lodge Apron as our Junior Grand Warden by Grand Master, M.: W.: and Ill.: Carl J. Smith, 33°. Brother Friedman is Orator of the Chapter of Rose Croix in our Valley. Aprons were

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also presented to Brothers William Lindsay, DDGM, James De Lorenzo, Grand Steward, and Clifford Short, Grand Director of Ceremonies.

Thank you

Special thanks to the members of the Long Range Planning Committee that have begun to update the current report. Please feel free to contact the Office with any ideas that you may have or would like to see considered as part of our Long Range Plan.

Awards Night

We look forward to our Symbolic Lodge Awards Night on October 19th when a special certificate will be presented to those Brothers who are being recognized as making a special contribution to their Symbolic Lodge.

Upcoming Degrees

Notices will be sent for the upcoming rehearsals and Degrees. If you have not been contacted and would like to participate, please call the office at 271-0715. As a footnote, those who have become Sublime Princes during the last couple of years, and have volunteered for a part, have been included in Degree rosters. Your support and participation is certainly encouraged and appreciated!

Thank you

Special thanks to our Trustees, Brothers Charles R. Frear, 32° MSA, Rae A. Clarke and Glenn A. Stahl, who along with our Secretary, Vernon L. Goodrich, recently updated and reviewed the Valley's investment portfolio.

Course available

Brother Paul Farnung, Junior Warden of Rochester Lodge of Perfection, thought it might be helpful to mention that a Scottish Rite Officer Course is available through the Livingston Library at Grand Lodge. Drop a hint to get started reading these books. The Library address is: 71 West 23rd St., New York, NY 10010.

More congratulations

A special "Tip of the Hat" and congratulation to two of our long-standing Brothers. Brother H.A. "Fritz" Friedrich was presented his 50 Year Certificate by Brother Charles Hancock at the Outing. Thanks for your help along the way, Fritz! A special congratulations to Ill. Roy S. Demenint, 33°, who observed his 90th birthday on July 27th. Roy

was Commander-in-Chief in 1964-66, is Secretary Emeritus of the N.Y. Council of Deliberation, and still has many fond memories of his involvement over the years. A belated "Happy Birthday", Roy.

Get this book

The power packed book, "Who Moved My Cheese?", by Spencer Johnson, MD, is still a number one best seller. It's been on that list for over 40 weeks. For some inspiration about the future, take a few moments and pick up a copy. It will have a very high impact on your thought process.

Strategic Planning

At the N.Y. Council of Deliberation Meeting in Syracuse on July 15th, the Grand Minister of State of the Scottish Rite for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, Ill. Robert W. Clarke, 33°, Active and Deputy for MA, provided a very concise presentation on Strategic Planning. His comments and tools will be a great outline for assisting in our efforts to keep things up to date. His evening address that followed the MSA Presentations concluded with a very interesting thought, "I would like to see all MSA holders stretch forth as Ambassadors for Customer Satisfaction".

We again congratulate Rev. Paul R. Gleason, Jr., 32° MSA, upon being presented his credentials as an MSA. Later that evening it was a pleasure to witness the presentation to Paul of his "Red Cap" by Brother Mathew L. Gingold, 32° MSA, as a gift from the members of Valley/Simes Lodge No. 109. Special thanks to all members of the Valley who were present to help celebrate this special occasion.

Customer satisfaction

In a time of rapid change in society, it is the responsibility of the leadership within an organization like our Valley to initiate change in response to fulfilling customers needs. If there is something that you would like to see done that is new, different, innovative or a departure from the "way we've always done things", please take a moment to contact one of the officers and let your feelings be known. We'll take your idea from there...

Annual Stag Outing

By Garry Hutcherson, Chairman
On August 25th we had our Annual Golf Tournament and Stag Outing at Farview Course in

Avon, N.Y. What a beautiful day for golf and a great meal. We had guests for dinner from the Valleys of Buffalo and Syracuse and we enjoyed their company. They all said they would be back next year.

Our Golf Tournament winners were: Brothers Ruel Lovett, Keith Pinto and his guest, and myself. Good fellowship was in abundance. Thank you all for coming and making his happen.



Family Picnic

By Ken Hall

On July 22nd, the Valley of Rochester, held its 4th Annual Family Picnic at Damascus Temple.

The Boomerang Club provided entertainment for all. The highlight of the show was the 'toilet paper shower', which has to be seen to be believed.

All enjoyed the great weather and the fine food. Congratulations to Brother Eldon White and all those involved with the planning and delivery of this event. A special thank you to the members of Damascus Temple who provided able assistance.

Make sure to mark your calendar when next year's picnic is announced.



Annual Picnic a Success!



Scottish Rite Masonic Charities

What is the Blue Envelope Appeal?

Once a year a Blue Envelope mailing is sent to each Scottish Rite Mason in the 15-state Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, asking for donations to our Scottish Rite Masonic Charities.

Where will my dollars go?

Funds contributed to this year's Blue Envelope Appeal will be distributed to these three important efforts: the Schizophrenia Fellowship Program, which supports the search for a cure of this widespread and serious mental illness; the Abbott Scholarships, which aid students from Scottish Rite families and Masonic youth groups; and the Scottish Rite Masonic Museum and Library, which preserves and interprets the history of our country and our Fraternity.

How much should I give to the Blue Envelope Appeal?

Every gift, whether large or small, contributes to the success of the Appeal. The Sovereign Grand Commander has said, "In the Scottish Rite, we are doers. We act on our commitments. The Blue Envelope Appeal is a perfect example of this. By making a gift - whatever its size - you contribute to three important activities and maintain our tradition of compassion and generosity in a meaningful way." Besides our Annual Appeal, please also keep our Scottish Rite Masonic Charities in mind year-round as an appropriate and worthy destination for gifts in honor or in memory of the special people in your life.

How do I make my Blue Envelope contribution?

When you receive your Blue Envelope mailing, please read it carefully and send in your contribution and your personalized reply form in the return envelope provided. You can send a check or use your credit card to make your contribution.



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33° Scottish Rite Mason



2000-2001 Blue Envelope Appeal

Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Awards Presentation

Thursday, October 19, 2000

Guest Speaker
M.:W.: & Ill.: Carl J. Smith, 33°
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in the State of New York

A celebration of dedicated workers
in the quarries of Blue Lodge Freemasonry

Time: 7:30 p.m.

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York Rite NEWS

York Rite College
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District Deputy Grand

High Priest

Royal Arch Masons
29th Capitular District



R.E. Stephen Licht

Companions

The 29th District has started the Fall season with a flurry of Capitular activities to fill your pocket calendars. I hope to see you at as many of these as your schedule permits.

The District Steak Roast on August 23rd was an even greater success than the year previous. Your support and participation have put the District on the most stable financial base that I can recollect over the past 24 years. Our Grand High Priest and Grand Sentinel drove from Long Island to enjoy the evening before turning around and heading home, 8 hours each way to enjoy a "Jerry Brade steak". Our AGL indicated that the Kiwanis Park site would be his choice for the 2001 Steak Roast. The park met all the criteria of a good location for our group. Once again, my sincere thanks to the group of workers, Companions and ladies, who planned and prepared the event. Plan of the 4th Wednesday in August, 2001, at Kiwanis Park, Batavia, for the next District Steak Roast.

Royal Arch Charities

R.E. Walter Hilsenbeck sent me a breakdown of the donations to the Royal Arch Charities. The 29th Capitular District-YOU have donated \$840.00 this Capitular year. That, if and of itself, says we are charitable, but this takes an added significance when compared to several of the other Districts. Only ONE DISTRICT, No. 22, in the Districts 22-32, exceeded our total donations. Congratulations to every Companion who made this possible. It is evident that you all acknowledge the importance of the lecture concerning the 'third rung of Jacob's ladder'.

Monday, October 9th

Arcade Chapter, Pike-Official Visit of R.E. Walter Hilsenbeck, Grand Royal Arch Captain. He will be accompanied by his wife, Rev. Juanita, who will present a program for the ladies. An old-fashioned Chicken and Biscuit Dinner will precede the Convocation at 6:15 p.m., at a very nominal cost. Reservations for dinner are appreciated. Please call Dan Evans at 492-2807 or e-mail me at slickt@2ki.net a few days prior to the event. R.E. Hilsenbeck is retired from the Long Island Railroad and worked with our Grand High Priest and

our newest Past Grand Master and should have some interesting tales to tell.

Thursday, October 19th

Western Star Chapter, Attica-Sue Conklin, the Genesee County Historian, will present a talk on the Yukon Gold Rush and the men and their families of the Genesee/Wyoming area who went there. Desserts to follow. This is open to all Masons, their families and friends.

Tuesday, October 24th

This is the date for the LeRoy Chapter Official Visit of M.E. Dale A. Tynan, Grand High Priest. There will be a Roast Beef Dinner at 6:00 p.m., donation \$7.00. Reservations to the High Priest, Garry Hutcherson at 494-1395 or Doug Poole at 581-3601, e-mail Dspool@wycol.com.

Sunday, November 5th

Following the enjoyment of the Lodge's monthly \$5.00 breakfast at Attica Temple at 9:00 a.m., there will be a District meeting to submit names for the next Assistant Grand Lecturer and District Deputy. All Right Excellent Companions are requested to attend. All interested Companions please feel free to attend and your input is necessary to continue to enjoy meaningful Royal Arch Masonry. For those unable to attend, the October 9th and 24th Convocations will provide an additional opportunity for you to express your opinions.

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



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Secretary - 426-6836

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7:30 p.m.

Companions

As most of you know, the articles for the *Masonic Times* are written well in advance of the event, so here I am attempting to write an article for the October issue at the end of August. August is a time for picnics and I already reported on the joint picnic of LeRoy and Three Times Three Chapters held in June. If you missed that one, you had another opportunity to attend the Second Annual Steak Roast of the 29th Capitular District in Batavia. I am told that 80+ tickets were sold for this event. Among those in attendance was our Grand High Priest, M.E. Dale Tynan. We are looking forward to his visits with us this Fall, when he returns to Western New York for our convocation in LeRoy. The steak, corn on the cob, and other goodies made for a great meal and plans are being made for a repeat next year.

Another millennium!

In my travels this past Spring I read the saying, "Oh no, not another millennium!" I found it rather funny to think that hu-

mans don't usually live long enough to welcome a new millennium more than once. Guess what? The US Naval Observatory at www.usno.navy.mil informs me that as of September 1st, there are only 122 days left before the new millennium. Perhaps it's for those who missed the last one!

Study your Ritual for the Fall Degrees and I will see you in Chapter.

Food for thought

True Men Needed

The world is needing you and me
In places where we ought to be.
Somewhere today it's needing you
To stand for what you know is true,
And needing me somewhere today
To keep the faith, let come what may.

The world is needing me and you
To share the task it has to do;
It needs high-minded men to stand
Against the thoughtless in the land;
Men who will scorn to stoop to wrong
To win the favor of the throng.

(Edgar A. Guest, 33°)

District Deputy Grand High Priest

Royal Arch Masons
29th Capitular District



R.E. Paul B. Josephson
334-7553

I'm sorry that I didn't have an article in the September issue of the *Times*. The Summer, what we had of it, went by so fast and before I knew it I had missed the deadline.

The Summer events went off very well, even if the weather didn't always cooperate. These events were covered nicely by John Dudley in the September *Times*, so I will venture on to upcoming events.

Canada

Come one, come all to the Canadian weekend gala event. On October 28th we will be traveling to Ontario for fun, fellowship, food, and fine Ritual, all done Canadian style. To those of you who have made this trip, you know what I am talking about. To those of you who have not been fortunate enough to attend, you don't know what you are missing. This is a family event, so bring your significant other and enjoy the Canadian hospitality. Remember, U.S. money goes further in Canada.

The High Priests and I have been talking about assigning a Companion to each Lodge in the District to help promote York Rite Masonry. If you would like

to be a part of this information highway, please let either your High Priest or me know. We would rather have a willing and enthusiastic volunteer than a Companion with a twisted arm.

Dates to remember

October 27th and 28th-Canadian visit.

November 9th-Grand Chapter Officer's Visit.

March 2nd and 3rd, 2001-Grand Chapter in Albany.

Hiram Chapter



No. 62



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Thursdays

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Richard J. Oliver, Secretary

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Congratulations

I congratulate two of our Companions who received Grand Lodge Aprons: R.W. Richard Friedman, Junior Grand Warden, and R.W. William Lindsay, DDGM. Their Aprons were presented at an ERAC Lodge dinner held at Damascus Temple by M.W. Carl J. Smith, Grand Master. The event was extremely well attended. Companion Friedman asked all in attendance for their support during their terms of office.

Petitions

We have received three petitions for the Fall Degrees and hope more will come in before we begin our Degree. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Dinners

We will have two dinners for the Fall sessions: October 12th and November 9th. Mark your calendars now and plan to be there.

Yellow Dog Degree

For all who have not received the Yellow Dog Degree, you can receive yours, along with M.E. Dale Tynan in Skaneateles in the Fall. The date and time still have not been set. Give me a call for more details.

Toronto

All Royal Arch Masons have been invited by Orient Chapter No. 79 of Toronto, Ontario, Canada, to join them for an afternoon of fraternal fellowship, followed by a banquet and dance in honor of our ladies. This will occur on the weekend of October 28th. We will be staying at the Guild Inn in Scarborough. We stayed there two years ago and had a wonderful time. I will need your reservations before October 2nd. We hope to have a great turnout.

Let me know your e-mail address, please. Mine is: JohnAlanDudley@aol.com.

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Ill. Vernon Rupert
Recorder - 343-8429

R.I. E. William Whittaker, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of New York, presented R.I. Dan Evans with his District Deputy's Apron at our September 25th Assembly. We had a good attendance from other Councils in the District that night.

Our Table Council will be on November 27th. Please have reservations to Vernon Rupert or me by November 11th. Dinner, at 6:30 p.m., will be Stuffed Pork Chops and all of the goodies are on the menu. Remember that R.I. Bill Vassily and Paul Revere will be in attendance.

Doric Council No. 19

Cryptic Masons
(Chartered in 1861)



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If everything goes according to plan we should have conferred the Royal Master Degree on two new candidates. At our October 18th meeting we may be conferring the Select Master Degree; if not it may be delayed until our December meeting. If you are involved in it, please be prepared.

Official Visit

The 18th has also been set by the DDGM for his official visit, I hope things work out. There will be a dinner preceding the meeting prepared by Hilde. Please make a reservation with our Secretary, Ed Walker, if not called by October 11th.

Grand Lecturer's Convention

The Grand Lecturer's Convention will be held on October 25th in Bath, NY, at 7:30 p.m., there will be a dinner, at reasonable cost, preceding the Convention at 6:30 p.m. The work of the evening will be the Royal Master Degree and Bath No. 40 will be the host Council. If you need a ride, please contact me (h) 458-6125, (o) 473-4351 or any of the top Officers; Vern Goodrich or John Dudley. Let's make an effort to support our own R.I. William Zufall, Grand Lecturer.

Apron Presentation

Doric Council has been invited by Nundawaga Council No. 92 to the Apron Presentation by R.I. William Whittaker, the Deputy Grand Master, to R.I. Daniel Evans, DDGM. The date

is September 25th, 8:00 p.m., at the LeRoy Masonic Temple, refreshments will be served following the presentation. If you receive your *Masonic Times* early enough, try to make it.

Looking ahead

R.I.I.L.: Bill Zufall has been able to secure an excellent speaker for our April 18, 2001 Table Council, it's not too early to start making plans. □

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Donation of an historic painting

On Saturday, October 7th, Washington Commandery, Knights Templar, will officially donate to the State of New York an historic painting of George Washington. The time is 10:30 a.m., location is the George Washington Historic Site, Newburgh, NY. The date of the dedication has been changed several times to properly prepare a site to house the George Washington painting. This is the first painting of George Washington to be discovered in over 150 years. The painting was done in 1824 by C.T. Hinckley, a contemporary of Gilbert Stuart. The State of New York has spent over a full year restoring the painting and frame to its original brilliance. The painting, 9 feet by 5 feet, is of George Washington standing in his library. The restored painting is valued at several million dollars. The painting was donated to the Commandery in 1912, and had hung in a large dining room. Over a period of years, the painting was damaged from people brushing against it and the changing in temperature over a period of almost 90 years in a Masonic Temple. The painting had been the center feature of the National Hotel in Saratoga Springs during the late 1800's and had almost been lost in a fire.

The State of New York is planning a special celebration that day, which is also the 150th Anniversary of the first public historic site in the United States. It is also an historic day for Templary and Masonry in general. We know of no other donation to a government agency of this value from a Masonic related organization. There is another painting of C.T. Hinckley in the Rhode Island State House.

The invitation to attend the dedication in Newburgh came from J. Winthrop Aldrich. I had the opportunity to meet Mr. Aldrich several times during the last year. He is a fascinating person to talk with. He is Deputy Commissioner for the Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation in the State of New York.

The Governor of the State of New York will be present to officially receive the painting from Washington Commandery. A special plaque will be affixed next to the painting. The plaque explains about George Washington's career, and that Washington Commandery donated the painting. There will be many other dignitaries from the State and Federal government present.

Many Masonic dignitaries from other States are planning on being present.

I am currently preparing an article for publication by national magazines on the five year process to find a sponsor to restore the painting.

The process and time frame to find a sponsor was long and difficult. We had no idea what the true cost of fully restoring the painting and frame would be. Many people thought we should just let the painting crumble into dust. We knew that this was a work of art that could be lost forever. We started our quest and met fascinating people during our travels. Along the way we learned a lot about art and the art world. Over a hundred organizations were contacted by letter, telephone, and personally.

These organizations included several large companies in the United States, museums and art galleries in the Northeast. The Grand Lodge of New York, Smithsonian, and several pertinent individuals including John F. Kennedy, Jr., were contacted. The West Lake Conservatory was very helpful, and donated over \$20,000.00 worth of their time and effort to help us. I met with local officials from the State of New York at the Rochester Museum and Science Center, and after discussions for a year, the State agreed to restore the painting. We have worked with the Historic Preservation Group at Pebbles Island, NY, and have traveled there many times during the last year while they carefully hand restored the painting. □

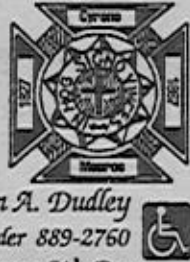
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On August 26th, Doug Koenig and Richard Horton became our newest Sir Knights at DeMolay Commandery in Hornell. A spe-

cial thanks to all the Cyrene/Monroe Commandery Sir Knights who helped with the Orders.

Congratulations

I compliment Commander Cy White of Sagoyewatha Commandery for the excellent job his Commandery did at their first Fall meeting on Saturday, September 9th. We began the day with a delicious breakfast at their favorite corner restaurant then went on to be duly impressed by their Opening and Closing.

Traveling

As this newsletter goes to press, many of us are preparing for a trip to Binghamton for the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, State of New York, on September 15th - 17th.

Scotland

Several of our Companions have just returned from Scotland where they attended the 5th Triennial Grand Conclave of the Great Priories of Scotland. We're looking forward to SK Bruce Horncastle showing his video and telling us all about his trip at an upcoming meeting.

Inspection

The most important activity of our year will be March 17th, our Inspection. Please put the date on your calendar and plan to attend. If you are unable to attend, contact me as soon as possible.

E-mail

If you have an e-mail address where you can be contacted, please send it to: JohnAlanDudley@aol.com. □

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While gazing from my window, watching the variegated leaves flutter to the ground, I've come to the realization that October is already upon us, and that soon will come the holidays. It

doesn't seem that time can be so fleeting now I understand the phrase, "tempest fugit".

I attended Grand Commandery for the first time last month, and had a most enjoyable time. While there I was conferred with the Knight Preceptor Degree, which proved to be a very impressive event, and one of which I am very pleased and proud to have been a participant. Many thanks to our Generalissimo, SK Jim MacConnell, for the round trip transportation to and from Binghamton. The Drill Team Competition proved to be most interesting more on that in the next article.

Good news

Although he did not attend Grand Lodge, our Sentinel, SK Bob Forbes, is doing well as he recuperates. We miss him at our door, and look forward to his return when he feels up to joining us once again.

Dates

Some of the future dates we have to look forward to are as follows: October 26th will be our 3rd Annual Cannibal Feast, where we dine without the benefit (and luxury?) of utensils. Ladies and guests are welcome. It will begin at 6:30 p.m.

November 9th will be our Thanksgiving Dinner, also at 6:30 p.m.

December 12th is the Christmas Toast, with dinner at 7:00 p.m. Friends are always welcome.

Are you, or do you know a fellow Mason who is interested in joining an Order founded upon Christian principles? If so, have him ask any Sir Knight what Knight Templary is about. The rewards are many, the fellowship superb, and joining will be a decision never regretted.

Have a safe, enjoyable Halloween. Until next month, I bid you each my very best. □

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Out of the Mouths of Babes

A Sunday School teacher asked the children just before she dismissed them to go to church, "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?" Annie replied, "Because people are sleeping."

A Sunday School teacher asked her class why Joseph and Mary took Jesus to Jerusalem. A small child replied: "They couldn't get a baby-sitter."

A Sunday School teacher was discussing the Ten Commandments with a group of five and six year olds. After explaining the commandment to "honor thy father and mother," she asked "Is there a commandment that teaches us how to treat our brothers and sisters?" Without missing a beat one little boy answered, "Thou shalt not kill."

At Sunday School they were teaching how God created everything, including human beings. Johnny was particularly intent when they told him how Eve was created out of one of Adam's ribs. Later in the week his mother noticed him lying down as though he were ill, and said, "Johnny what is the matter?" Little Johnny responded, "I have a pain in my side. I think I'm going to have a wife."

A dirty little fellow came in from playing in the yard and asked his mother, "Who am I?" Ready to play the game she said, "I don't know! Who are you?" "Wow!", cried the child, "Mrs. Johnson was right! She said I was so dirty, my own mother wouldn't recognize me!" □

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Leon J. VanHuben, Monarch

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Leon VanHuben

Monarch's Message

The Empire State Grotto Association's 74th Fall Convention was held on September 14, 15, and 16th in Canandaigua, at the beautiful Inn on the Lake. It was well attended with Grottoes from New York State, Pennsylvania, Canada and many other States. Lalla Rookh Grotto was the host Grotto, because we had the honor of having our own PM PP Kenneth Milner as the President in the year 1999-2000. It was the first time in 30 years. Thank you, PM PP Kenneth Milner, for a good year in the ESGA. To the new officers, have a healthy and exciting 2000-2001.

Lalla Rookh Grotto

The September 20th meeting was Past Monarch's Night. Thank you all for attending.

October 17th is a rehearsal and set-up for the Short Form Ceremonial.

October 18th is the Ceremonial and Awards Night and nomination of officers for 2001.

Master of Ceremonies

By Al Pulcino

Our next meeting on October 18th will be the Ceremonial. Dinner will be Roast Pork, and for those who can't eat the pig, we have Chicken Breast with all the fixings. Don't forget the Social Hour starts at 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Please make your reservations with me at 225-8471 by Sunday, October 15th.

Hope to see you all there.

Cast News

By George Knierim

To all Grotto Cast members—we need your help for the Short Form Ceremonial. Rehearsal will take place on Tuesday, October 17th at 7:00 p.m. and Wednesday, October 18th is the Grotto meeting and Ceremonial.

Membership

By Bill Fredenburg

October 18, 2000, is the Ceremonial for our new Prophets. You still have time to get any petitions outstanding to the office for processing for this Ceremonial. Please make every effort to bring a Brother Mason into our great fraternity of Lalla Rookh Grotto. Let's have a good turnout on the 18th to show our new Prophets what our organization has to offer.

Thank you for your support.

Attend Grotto Meetings

Mon., Oct. 2nd—Board of Governor's meeting Office
Sat., Oct. 7th—Caldron White Fez Luncheon
Thurs., Oct. 12th—Caldron Meeting
Mon., Oct. 16th—Legion Dinner Dutch Mill 6:30 p.m.
Wed., Oct. 18th—Grotto Ceremonial
Sat., Oct. 28th—Monarch's Ball Dutch Mill Social hour at 6:00 p.m. and Dinner at 7:00 p.m.

Enjoy the Fellowship

Chief Justice

By Ken Hutchinson

To our new Prophets, a word of explanation is in order. The Monarch's Ball is run each year to honor your Monarch.

This is the last official party that your Monarch will be the "Leading Light", so let's all plan to attend and make it a huge success to show Leon our appreciation for the time and effort he has exercised this year for the good of the Prophets.

The most outstanding highlight of this party is the price. The Committee has gone all out to make it the best party on record, only \$25.00 per plate.

The date of the Monarch's Ball is October 28th. All the particulars are in the accompanying advertisement.

Our out of town Prophets and guests will be staying at Wellesley Inn, 1635 W Ridge Road. Monarch Leon will have a Hospitality Room and an "after-glow" party at 11:00 p.m.

Your Committee has done a whale of a job arranging this party. The next move is up to you, Prophets.

Do not tarry! I would be personally gratified, as well as Leon and Bev, if all who read this attended with their ladies. Hope to see you all at the Monarch's Ball, October 28th.

Thanks, Ron

At this writing the ESGA is still in the makings. The event has been in the planning for a long time. Our esteemed PM, Ronald Morthorst, has done a great piece of work as Chairman in the planning and carrying out so much on his own. He deserves the heartiest support from us all to keep his "smile" cheerful and broad.

Legion of Honor

By Al Pulcino III, Commander
Attention: Left, right—those were the words at the Convention in Canandaigua. Our newly formed Color Guard consisting of Captain Bill Fredenburg, Dick Topel, the older brother, Howard Topel, and I presented the Colors and posted them for the ESGA Fall Convention at the Canandaigua Inn. Looked great and nice job done by all. We hope more Prophets will look into the Legion of Honor. Dues are \$10 a week for 50 weeks. Can't beat the price for all the good times.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, October 16th at the Dutch Mill. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m., with the meeting to follow. Hope to have a speaker there. Please contact Ernie Swan at 621-7162

for your reservations before October 12th.

Thinking about joining? Call Ernie Swan or me now. It's one to make time for—it's good times.

Grotto Clowns

By "Uncle Al"

We do have a new Prophet and a new clown—Ed Zorn.

The ESGA Convention brought out the Clowns. It was a good showing and nice to have a new unit. We were a little slow in getting started, but we are all getting a little older and it takes time. At this time it's like a Bluelight Special. No dues, no set meetings, just fun.

One big deal is that Lalla Rookh will host you for schooling to teach you clownology. Think about it.

Caldron News

A few of the Daughters attended the Grotto Convention honoring Kenneth Milner, President of the ESGA.

Eight Daughters traveled to Moline, Illinois, for the Caldron Sessions. A good time was had by all.

Good news

Congratulations to Beverly Murray on her Eastern Star appointment as Grand Representative of Manitoba.

Dates to remember

White Fez Luncheon on Saturday, October 7th at 12:30 p.m.
Caldron meeting on October 12th.

Executive Council Banquet at the Country Buffet on Thursday, October 19th at 6:15 p.m.

Caldron Installation will be Friday, November 3rd at 7:30 p.m.

Until next time, take care and God bless.

GROTTO HUMOR



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Masonic Symbols Ride on Masonic Float

Three of America's most significant symbols of freedom—the Liberty Bell, Constitution and the 1777 design of the Stars and Stripes—will decorate the Family of Freemasonry Float in the 2001 Tournament of Roses Parade on New Year's day, it has been announced by Stanley Channon, Chairman of the Float Task Force.

Embracing the parade theme, Fabric of America, the 35 ft. float will be entitled, "Let Freedom Ring", with the Liberty Bell centered in the middle of the colorful Masonic entry. As the float heads down Colorado Blvd. in Pasadena on January 1st, the sound of the bell will be heard along the parade route and ring clearly in the homes of millions of viewers around the world.

The 2001 float continues the patriotic Masonic message of last year when the Statue of Liberty was featured. Previously, the modern American flag and a soaring eagle had been highlighted on floats by the world's largest Fraternity.

"We wish to remind viewers that Freemasons played a large part in the founding of America," said Channon, a Past Grand Master of California Masons.

Carrying on the heritage will be six riders on the float from Masonically related Youth Organizations, DeMolay, Job's Daughters and Rainbow For Girls.



The Bell on the float is similar in size to the original bell which was 12 ft. in circumference and weighed 2,080 lbs., but it will be made from a reinforced wire structure covered with foam as a base for decorations.

Those decorations will consist of a combination of pine, paper and redwood bark to create the color and highlights, according to Bill Lofthouse of Phoenix Decorating, designer of the float. White carnation and gladiolus petals, along with dried and fresh materials, will also be used.

The famous crack which resulted when it was tolled in 1835 at the funeral of Chief Justice John Marshall will be visible on the bell.

Dressed in the regalia of their organizations, the six young people will be seated on each side of the Constitution which will be

fashioned from corn husks, onion seed and seaweed to create the lettering.

Whole red and white carnations, blue and white statice, white rice and carnation and gladiolus petals and a base of white rice and carnations will surround the flag. Roses, gerbera daisies and chrysanthemums will complete the base.

The ink well at the front of the float and the quill will be made from seaweed, dried materials, white orchids, dried straw flowers and fresh carnation petals.

Deputy Grand Master, David C. Decker reminds us that a number of prominent leaders who framed the document portrayed on the float were Freemasons who used the Constitutions of Freemasonry as the basis for the Constitution of the United States.



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Rewarding Summer

As the days are getting shorter, it seems like we had no Summer at all, but here it is the last part of September and the year 2000 is three quarters gone. We have traveled many miles and met new and old friends. It has been a very rewarding Summer. Lula and I thank all.

We always talk about the things that are already done. Why do we do that? We should be talking about the things that are not done! We should be talking to Brothers about our Masonic family and encourage them to join the Rites and the Shrine. Although a Mason does not have to belong to the Rites to join the Shrine, we in the Monroe District still encourage the Brothers to follow that path.

Get a new Noble

Nobles, we are in jeopardy of losing a representative to the Imperial. At the present we have four, but if our membership drops below 1000 members, we will have only 3 reps. At this time we have 1029 members, so Nobles, we have our work cut out for us. Please stop by the office and pick up the new Damascus applications and let's get a new Noble for the Cold Sands in December.

Future dates

We will again have our Octoberfest at the Mosque on the 21st of October.

The area Christmas Parties are: December 5th in Canandaigua; December 14th in Wayne County; December 16th in Geneva and December 23rd at Damascus (?).

Nobility

True worth is in being, not seeming.
In doing, each day that goes by.
Some little good-not in dreaming
Of great things to do by and by.
For whatever men say in their blindness,
And spite of the fancies of youth,
There's nothing so kingly as kindness,
And nothing so royal as truth.
We get back our mete as we measure-
We cannot do wrong and feel right,
Nor can we give pain and gain pleasure,
For justice avenges each slight.
We cannot make bargains for blisses,
Nor catch them like fishes in nets;
And sometimes the thing our life misses
Helps more than the thing which it gets.
For good lieth not in pursuing,
Nor gaining of great nor of small
But just in the doing, and doing
As we would be done by, is all.
(Alice Cary) □

Zama Temple

*Daughters
of the Nile*

By Jean R. Friedrich, PQ

We look forward to resuming our Temple's Fall activities after a leisurely Summer break from our formal sessions. However, we did have some informal events during this long vacation.

The Patrol held a Summer Party at Pr. Helen Barry's pool, where the group had its usual Summer fun. Our Annual Golf event was held on August 3rd at Shore Acres, followed by lunch at the Crescent Beach Restaurant; and PQ, Sharon Baldwin, hosted a group who attended the Wal-

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Camp Turk Volunteer Weekend

By Dennis Breheny

On September 9th, the Camp Turk Committee, along with members of the Trustees, met in Utica. Everyone agreed that Camp was again a success this year.

The Committee discussed holding an Annual Volunteer Weekend. The types of volunteers that are needed include: electricians, plumbers, masons, carpenters, painters, and helpers. Grand Master, M.W. Carl J. Smith's Campaign Slogan is "Masons=H.E.L.P.". We all joined the Masonic Fraternity to

H.E.L.P. The Camp Turk Committee would like to get some of that help!

Several of the buildings at the Camp are in need of paint, there is electrical work to be done in the theater and computer lab, and we need plumbers to install some new fixtures, etc. So please, volunteer to help out on the weekend of June 8, 9, and 10, 2001. Food and shelter will be provided (also bug spray will be available!).

If you cannot physically help on that particular weekend, please check the next issue of the "Empire State Mason" for a list of materials needed to keep our Camp "ship shape". We will accept donations toward this goal.

For further information on the Volunteer Weekend or to donate money or materials for this project, please contact me at (315) 724-2226 or at dennisbrehen@hotmail.com. □

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nut Hill Carriage Show in Pittsford on August 19th.


We begin our year with the Official Visit of our Supreme Queen, Sharalyn Winiger, on Sunday, October 15th. The Ceremonial at Fairport Lodge begins at 3:00 p.m., followed by a Banquet at the Green Lantern Inn at 6:30 p.m. I'm sure our members will want to attend and welcome this charming lady.

Our Finger Lakes Nile Club will hold a Spaghetti Supper, Thursday, October 19th, at the Elks Club on Niagara Street in

Canandaigua. Cost is \$5.50. This is their fundraiser for this year, so please try to attend. Tickets are available from any member.

Just a reminder

Our Annual Garage and Next-to-New Sale is coming up on November 15th-18th at the Damascus Mosque. Be sure to save all your good, clean surplus clothing and workable household goods and appliances for this big sale. It is always well attended and we need YOUR contributions to make it a financial success. □




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ship service in the Daniel D. Tompkins Memorial Chapel.

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The day began with a welcome by W. Daniel L. Clark, Public Relations Coordinator and Angie Caiola, Director of Community Relations, followed by a history of the Chapel by Chaplain David Kirkpatrick.

Guests were then escorted to the Utica Annex of the Chancellor Robert R. Livingston Library & Museum, where R. W. Charles J. Haskin and members of the Utica Committee, including Wiley Hall resident R. W. Albert Mills, and Acacia Village resident, R. W. Robert O. Williams, greeted the visitors and gave them a brief tour of the Museum.

They next traveled across the campus to Acacia Village, our Retirement Community, where Alice Demma, Director of Acacia Village and Cindy Dardano, Leasing Coordinator, greeted them. After a tour of Acacia Village, visitors were treated to a delicious buffet lunch, topped off by mouth-watering desserts.

The afternoon continued with tours of Wiley Hall, Rehabilitation Services, the Health Facility and for three of the groups, the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory. Some of our visitors even stopped and shopped at our Home Treasures Gift Shop.

As each group boarded the bus to return home, they commented over and over again how much they enjoyed the day and how

sorry they were that they had not been on our campus prior to this tour. Everyone was back on the road by about 3:30 P.M.

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The Boilermaker An Event to Remember!

The Youth Run is the highlight of activities held on the campus of the Masonic Home.

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Approximately 23,000 people set foot on the magnificent campus of the Masonic Home for the pre-race activities for the 23rd Annual Utica Boilermaker Run Race. The Masonic Home for the fourth year has hosted this premier racing event and welcomed runners of all ages to be a part of the largest 15K (9.3 miles) road race in America.

Our spacious 400-acre park-like campus was used for the pre-race events, which included the Health and Fitness Expo, where over 55 businesses were represented, the Youth Run, race packet pick-up (over 9,000 registered runners), Race Volunteer Party (over 4,000 volunteers invited), Interfaith Worship Service held in the Daniel D. Tompkins Memorial Chapel and the Sports Medical Seminar.

The Youth Run, to raise awareness about missing children, was again very successful. 1,598 children participated by running 1/4, 1/2, 3/4 or 1 mile. The roads from Acacia Village to the Child Care Center were lined with thousands of parents, as well as residents of the Masonic Home, cheering the children to the finish line. The joy and smiles seen on the faces of our residents as they watch this youth race is one of the reasons we are very proud to host this community event.

Dr. Venkata R. Mannava, a local physician, again organized

the Medical Seminar held on Saturday morning at the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory's Auditorium. Over 40 local and surrounding area physicians had an opportunity to see for themselves the wonderful facility and services we have to offer their patients. Masonic Home Campus Informational Packets were given to all the attendees as a means of educating the attendees on the various services that are available at the Masonic Home. The pharmaceutical displays, registration and the break were held in the Masonic Home's Master Mason Activity Room.

The Boilermaker Race touches everyone in the Mohawk Valley. We at the Masonic Home are very proud to be the host for this great event and we are very thankful that Masonry again supported an event that brings the community and the Masonic Home closer together. As a result of this event, many more people now know of the Masonic Home and the great facility and services we have to offer our customers. The beauty of the campus and the positive, cooperative attitude of the staff overwhelmed our visitors. We thank everyone for making this event a success!! □

Answers to the Flag Quiz (June issue)

- There have been 27 designs of the U.S. Flag. **True.**
- N.Y. State never joined the Union. **False** - New York was one of the original 13 States that formed the Union. **Trick?**
- The 25th design of the flag (48 stars) was in use longer than any other, to date. **True.**
- In the early years of the nation the flag was primarily for Maritime use. **True.**
- Each of the colors of the flag have symbolic meaning. **False** - No substantiated symbolism is recorded.
- Until 1912, the arrangement of the stars in the flag was the flag maker's option. **True.**
- It is improper to display the flag at night. **False** - It can be displayed if lighted. It flew all night over Ft. Sumpter according to our National Anthem.
- The Stars and Stripes were very important to early Americans. **False.**
- Confederate flags are not American flags. **False.**
- The proper way to dispose of the flag is to burn it. **True.**
- All 27 designs have 13 red and white stripes. **True** At least 13, one had 15.
- It is improper to fly an other national flag on the same staff as the U.S. flag, even if the U.S. flag is at the top. **True** - And no flag should be higher, except the U.N. flag. □



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Masonic Temple in Ogdensburg, NY. Just follow the signs to the "Remington Museum," it's across the street. (Photo Don Brugger)

HiLights Order of the Eastern Star

GENESEE-WYOMING
DISTRICT

Rt. Wthy. L. JANET LEE

DDGM

Rt. Wthy Timothy L. BUCKNAM
DGL

Homecoming

A Homecoming for Rt. Wthy. L. Janet Lee, DDGM, and Rt. Wthy. Timothy L. Bucknam was held on September 22nd. The event was attended by family and friends from the District, as well as across the State. Rt. Wthy. Janet thanked Batavia Chapter No. 267 and Rt. Wthy. Tim thanked Perry Chapter No. 497 for a lovely evening and for all the support given to them by their Chapter members. They also appreciated all who were able to attend the Homecoming and help them celebrate. They thanked the District Committee and Most Wthy. Sally A. Clarke for their appointments.

Thank you

As Fall is fast approaching, so is the end of Tim's and my year as the DGL and DDGM. We thank everyone in the District who helped us in any way, especially Rt. Wthy. Dolores Hargrave, District Leader. Her continued support and leadership in our District is appreciated. Without everyone's help we could not have raised over \$725 for the Genesee/Wyoming Youth Fund during our District Walk-a-Thon. Also, we would not have been able to turn into Grand Chapter over \$600 from the sale of Maple Syrup at Oriskany or had a successful Chicken Bar-B-Que and calendar sale.

New Officers

The 1st week of October will find most of us at the Niagara Falls Convention Center where Grand Chapter is being held. This will be a sad and happy time. Tim and I are happy to represent the G/W District at Grand Session, but sad because it will be the end of a wonderful year. It will be our privilege to escort our new DDGM and DGL back to the District seats after they are installed. We wish much success to all of the 2001 Officers and pledge our support to them. They are: Rt. Wthy. Betty Maynard, appointed Grand Electa (Vernon Chapter No. 611), Rt. Wthy. Waneta Krauss, appointed DDGM (Stebbins Chapter No. 503), Rt. Wthy. Charles Krauss, appointed DGL (Stebbins Chapter No. 503), Rt. Wthy. Margaret Nugent (Batavia Chapter No. 267) will complete her 2nd year as Grand Representative of North Carolina near the Grand Chapter of New York. We hope she has a wonderful year too.

Indian Legend

This year Most Wthy. Sally A. Clarke used the butterfly as her symbol, so this year we have seen many butterflies across the state. The following legend was presented to me this year at one of my Official Visits and I share it with you:

If anyone desires a wish to come true they must first capture a butterfly and whisper that wish to it.

Since a butterfly can make no sound, the butterfly cannot reveal the wish to anyone but the Great Spirit who hears and sees all.

In gratitude for giving the beautiful butterfly its freedom, the Great Spirit always grants the wish.

So, according to legend, by making a wish and giving the butterfly its freedom, the wish will be taken to the heavens and be granted.

Study Club

The next Y2K Study Club will meet at Stebbins Chapter No. 503 on October 21st at 10:30 a.m., followed by a light lunch. This will be the 1st Study Club for the 2001 Officers. Reservations can be made by calling Rt. Wthy. Sally Wing (Matron) at 493-2386.

Correction

The amount given by the Grand Matron to the Veterans was incorrectly reported by me last month. The correct amount was \$500. Sorry about that. □

Order of the Eastern Star HiLights MONROE DISTRICT

DDGM

Rt. Wthy.
Doris
Bell



DGL
Rt. Wthy.
Michael
Bell

Our almost Summer is about at a close and the activities of the Chapters are resuming. We are about to head off to Niagara Falls where the new District leaders will assume their mantles of authority. It doesn't seem possible that another Star year is just about over. Where does time go?

Our District Charity Project was a resounding success. Thanks to the generosity of the Chapter and various individuals, we were able to pay the Camp fees for Richard and Leanna to attend Camp Turk. Richard's letter said, "Dear Sponsor, Thank you for send[ing] me to camp. Three things I liked was the activities, the overnight and the kids". Leanna wrote, "Dear Sponsor, Thank you [for] helping me go to this great camp. I like this camp because we have a big swim area. I learned how to water ski, and I can play soccer and learn more about it".

The Monroe District Banquet is upcoming October 13th, at the Party House on Beahan Road. Your Chapter secretaries have the information, so if you plan to attend, please get your reservations to her before October 6th. Dinner choices are Choice Roast Beef, Swordfish with Lemon Sauce, or Chicken French. The subscription is \$18.50.

Next month we will bring news from our Grand Sessions, and report on the Installation of the 2001 Grand Officers. Until then, please take care and drive safely.

From the District Grand Lecturer

The lush greens and soft yellows of Summer are turning into the crisp russets, shocking purples and blazing yellows of Autumn. There is something comforting in this world's accordance with nature. Most life on our planet acts, and is acted upon,

in time with seasons, temperatures, and times. Man is the anomaly. Our use of fire, fire-light, dwellings and electricity has freed us from nature's shackles. If that's true, why do my dogs-surely nature's children-insist upon whining me up at 5:30 every morning no matter how dark or stormy it is outside. Why don't they (and so let me) sleep longer as the daylight hours get shorter?

The Star year is careening to a close. We have the District Christmas Party, District Installation and Grand Sessions left to face.

As you all know by now, the Chicken Bar-B-Que was a grand success, so Chicken Salad will not be on any of my menus. Rt. Wthy. Doris and I extend a deep-rooted thank you to all the men and ladies who volunteered their time. The pies and jams were sellouts, too.

This month will see the last of our puzzle contests. Once again, please submit (to Doris or me) your answers before the 4th of November. As always, there will be prizes and lovely parting gifts.

Who was that lady?

There have been many females over time who have been famous for many reasons. Please match the ladies (big and little) in Column A with their role, etc., in Column B.

Column A

Lucy
Amy
Laverne
Laura
Annie Laurie
Rebecca
Olive (Oyl)
Ophelia
K-K-K-Katy
Hannah
Cleopatra
Anastasia
Leslie
Delilah
Rowena
O by Jingo
Norma

Column B

Bolger's beloved
Gal from San Domingo
Gene Tierney movie
Grand Duchess?
Hamlet's betrothed
Ivanhoe's main squeeze
K-K-K-Kitchen Door Cutie
Linus' sister
Marc Antony's Bane
Marilyn's real first name
Maxwell's Braes Lassie
Sailor's sweetheart
Samson's tonsorialist
Savannah bad girl
Shirley Feeney's friend
Sunnybrook Farm Girl
Twiggy's name

NOLA Chapter No. 368

Order of the Eastern Star

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

Wthy. Antoinette Jeerings
Matron, 385-5605
Rt. Wthy. Carol Wynings
Secretary, 594-4692

20 South Main Street
Churchville, N. Y. 14428

By Sister Alice Hassett

If the color is blue, you have paid your dues. Please check your membership card. Rt. Wthy. Carol Wynings, 594-4692, will be happy to let you know your dues status.

Sympathy

Condolences to the family and friends of our departed Sister,

Wthy. Mary Makeshaft. Nola Chapter celebrated her life on September 5th, at the Walker Brothers Funeral Home in Churchville.

Meetings

On October 3rd, we will have a regular meeting, even though Grand Chapter Sessions will be taking place in Niagara Falls.

On October 17th there is an open meeting. Members and their friends are invited. There will be a Steak Dinner for a nominal fee. Reservations can be made with Wthy. Toni at 385-5605 by October 7th. Further, assuming approval at Grand Chapter Sessions, we may be officially announcing the merging of Oatka and Nola Chapters. If so, new By-Laws and new membership lists will be mailed.

October Committee

Refreshment Committee for October: Wthy. Antoinette Jeerings, Wthy. Alan Jeerings and Brother Craig Mollon.

Social outing

On October 7th we will be venturing on a Finger Lakes Wine Tour, visiting local wineries and having lunch along Seneca Lake. Reservations should be made by October 1st, through Wthy. Antoinette Jeerings.

October birthdays

Celebrating October birthdays are: Wthy. Eleanor Gascon, Sister Caroline Hedges, Wthy. John Lenzi, Sister Carol Pickworth and Wthy. Mary Anne Sovocool. □

Rochester Chapter No. 314

Order of the Eastern Star

Matron

Wthy. Evelyn Heller

621-7777

Secretary

Rt. Wthy. BARBARA MERTENS
482-0994

First Saturday 7:30 P.M.

875 East Main Street
Rochester, N. Y. 14605



I hope everyone has had a good Summer and is ready for the rest of the year. It seems like we just had our June meeting. Summer has just flown past.

If you didn't get to the Chicken Bar-B-Que in August, you missed a great time, great food and the chance to see your Worthy Matron dressed as a chicken!

Best wishes

Rt. Wthy. Diana Woodruff had some surgery over the Summer. I hope she is feeling better and back on her feet. Let's keep her and everyone else who has been ill in our prayers.

Projects

As the year winds down, we have a few projects still left, the most important being our Christmas Candy Sale. Wthy. Linda Zahn is chairing this project. You will be hearing from her.

Our next project is a Baked Food Sale after our October meeting. Sister Norma Gingold is chairing this. Please contact her to help.

Master Mason Night has been moved from our September meeting to our October meeting. All you Master Masons out there are invited. Call our Secretary and let her know you are coming.

That's all 'til next time. Remember to let your light so shine. □

In Memoriam

August

Roth, John C.

John passed away at his home on August 11th, at the age of 80. He was a member of Olive Branch Lodge No. 39, Past Grand Representative to the Grand Chapter of Australia, and Past Grand Lecturer, OES. He is survived by his wife, Shirley, 2 daughters, 4 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

Kahn, Joseph H.

Death claimed Joseph on August 15th at the age of 85 years. He was a member of Rochester Consistory and Damascus Temple Shrine. Survivors include his wife, Jane, 3 children, 6 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

Pfanz, Leland T.

The Great Architect called Leland home on August 21st. A member of ERAC Lodge No. 163, Cyrene/Monroe Commandery, Hiram Chapter, RAM, and Damascus Temple Shrine, Leland leaves 2 daughters and 2 grandchildren.

Fayer, David

Valley/Simes Lodge No. 109, Rochester Consistory and Damascus Temple Shrine all lost a member with the passing of David on August 24th. Survivors include his 2 children, 6 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

Dorgan, Virgil

A member of Rochester Consistory, Virgil went to be with the Lord on August 30th. His wife, Joanne, 7 children, 19 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren survive him.

September

Sapienza, Joseph M.

Joseph entered Eternal Rest on September 10th. He was a member of Fame Lodge No. 945 and is survived by his wife, Susan, 3 children and 8 grandchildren.

Thompson, John H.

September 10th was the date of John's passing at his home in Florida. He was a member of Valley/Simes Lodge No. 109 and leaves his 3 children, 6 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

Fromm, Gordon E.

Death claimed Gordon on September 15th. He was a member of ERAC Lodge No. 163 and Lalla Rookh Grotto. Gordon is survived by his wife, Ruth, 4 children, 9 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

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

Chapell, Edgar F.

Edgar was a member of Hesperus Lodge No. 837 when he died on September 1st.

Humphrey, Robert B.

Robert was Master of Oakland Lodge No. 379 in 1937. He passed away July 21st.

Webster, Sidney W.

Sidney belonged to Seneca Lodge No. 797 and Rochester Consistory when he was called Home on August 19th. □

Masonic Activities Looking Ahead

To make additions, call the Service Bureau at 473-4351
2000

Nov. 11	Veteran's Day
Nov. 15	York Rite Unity Night, Doric Council, DDT
Nov. 16 & 18	Scottish Rite Reunion, DTT
Nov. 23	"Happy Thanksgiving"
Dec. 18	Christmas Toast, Cyrene/Monroe Commandery Downtown Temple, Cathedral Hall

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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

ERAC Lodge, 152 W. Commercial Street, East Rochester - Cap. 75, 1st Floor Dining Rm. and Rest Rooms - Richard Schmanke 477-8191 (w) or 271-4473 (h).

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**Mon., Oct. 2
Tragically Hip**
7:30 p.m.

**Fri., Oct. 6
Gospel Play**
Tues.-Sun., Oct. 10 - 15
Fosse
Tues. - Thur. 7:30 p.m.
Fri. 8:00 p.m.
Sat. 2:00 & 8:00 p.m.
Sun. 2:00 & 7:00 p.m.

**Thur., Oct. 19
Gospel Concert**
7:30 p.m.
**Fri., Oct. 20
Ani DeFranco**
8:00 p.m.
**Sat., Oct. 22
Laughton Art Test**
7:00 p.m.

**Tues. - Thur., Oct. 24 - 26
Lord of the Dance**
7:30 p.m.
**Fri. - Sun., Oct. 27 - 29
Annie**
Fri. 8:00 p.m.
Sat. 2:00 p.m.
Sun. 2:00, 7:00 p.m.

List of Premier Degree Ritualists

(This list has been compiled for emergency assistance only. Please contact those listed at least seven days before the degree.)

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M 1° & 2°, 1° Hist. Lec.,
1 & 2°, & A. Chrgs.
Michael Morris223-2828
Mid. Chmb. Lec.,
3rd° Hist. lec.
Charles Ogburn887-2372
1st, 2nd, 3rd° lectures.
Joe Privitera392-5583
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Christopher Columbus, in his four voyages to America, never once set foot on what is now the continental U.S.

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Oatka	2x
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West Star	2x
Eagle Valley	9/16
Flower City	9/15
Oakland	9/18
Olive Branch	9/16
Wakan/Hubbard	9/19

"x" = months missed.

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

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Calendar October 2000

Deadline for the Masonic Times

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1</p> <p>2000 SEPTEMBER 2000</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30</p> <p>Wakan/Hubbard District Golf Tournament Hickory Ridge</p>	<p>2</p> <p>West Star - Varysburg</p> <p>KT - Cyrene/Monroe</p> <p>OES - Etolian, Irondequoit, Germania, LeRoy</p> <p>Shrine Lunch Club</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Charlotte/Corinthian Clio - Hilton Craftman/Robertson Germania Oakland - Castile Warsaw</p> <p>OES - Fairport, Monroe, Nola, Perry, Webster</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Olive Branch - LeRoy Attica</p> <p>Damascus Shrine</p> <p>OES - Henrietta</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Constellation - Perry Hesperus - Bergen Northfield - Pittsford Webster</p> <p>OES - Oatka</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Genesee/Wyoming CMA Fish Fry - Warsaw</p> <p>Webster Lodge Spaghetti Dinner 5 - 7 p.m. 30 Orchard Street Webster Adults - \$6, Child - \$3</p>	<p>7</p> <p>OES - Rochester Chapter</p> <p>OES - Grand Chapter Officers, 9:00 a.m.</p>
<p>8</p> <p>Wakan/Hubbard District Golf Tournament Hickory Ridge</p>	<p>9</p> <p>ERAC - E. Rochester Etolian - Spencerport Fairport Mt. Vernon Union Star - Hon. Falls Wakan/Hubbard - Penfield</p> <p>OES - Charlotte, Mary Jane Holmes</p> <p>Shrine Lunch Club</p> <p>Columbus Day</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Batavia Craftman/Robertson-Fame - Irondequoit Monroe - Brockport Seneca - Webster Valley/Simes</p> <p>RAM - 3X3, Dansville, Wyoming</p> <p>OES - Leah</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Churchville Oatka - Scottsville Triluminar - Pike Service Bureau Luncheon</p> <p>Clio Lodge Spaghetti Dinner 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. East Ave, Hilton</p> <p>OES - Batavia, Corinthian/Fellowship</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Eagle Valley - Bliss Flower City</p> <p>Lalla Rookh Caldron</p> <p>RAM - Hiram</p> <p>KT - Batavia</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Grand Lecturer's Convention Fairport</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Grand Master's Town Meeting DTMT - 8:00 a.m.</p>
<p>15</p> <p>West Star - Varysburg</p> <p>KT - Cyrene/Monroe</p> <p>OES - Etolian, Irondequoit, Germania, LeRoy</p> <p>Shrine Lunch Club</p>	<p>16</p> <p>West Star - Varysburg</p> <p>KT - Cyrene/Monroe</p> <p>OES - Etolian, Irondequoit, Germania, LeRoy</p> <p>Shrine Lunch Club</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Charlotte/Corinthian Clio - Hilton Craftman/Robertson Germania Oakland - Castile Warsaw</p> <p>OES - Fairport, Nola, Perry, Webster</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Attica Olive Branch - LeRoy</p> <p>Grotto - Ceremonial</p> <p>RSM - Doric Council</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Constellation - Perry Hesperus - Bergen Northfield - Pittsford Webster</p> <p>Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Awards Night</p> <p>RAM - Western Star</p> <p>OES - Oatka</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Shrine Octoberfest Damascus Mosque</p> <p>Triangle Youth Event DTMT</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Shrine Octoberfest Damascus Mosque</p> <p>Triangle Youth Event DTMT</p>
<p>22</p> <p>Interfaith Service and Breakfast - DCSA 9:00 a.m. Logan's Party House Scottsville Rd.</p>	<p>23</p> <p>ERAC - E. Rochester Etolian - Spencerport Mt. Vernon Wakan/Hubbard - Penfield</p> <p>RSM - Nundawaga</p> <p>OES - Charlotte</p> <p>Shrine Lunch Club</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Arcade Batavia Fame - Irondequoit Valley/Simes</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Churchville Oatka - Scottsville Triluminar - Pike Tall Cedars of Lebanon</p> <p>Spaghetti Dinner Clio Lodge, Hilton</p> <p>OES - Batavia, Corinthian/Fellowship</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Eagle Valley - Bliss</p> <p>RAM - Hiram</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Fish Fry Oakland Castile (see article)</p> <p>Scottish Rite Bring-a-Brother Night DTMT</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Witch</p>
<p>29</p> <p>Shrine Lunch Club</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Shrine Lunch Club</p>	<p>31</p> <p>All Hallows Eve</p>	<p>2000 NOVEMBER 2000</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30</p>	<p>31</p> <p>All Hallows Eve</p>	<p>31</p> <p>All Hallows Eve</p>	<p>31</p> <p>All Hallows Eve</p>