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Direction for the Future

The address of the Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York, St. John's Day, Tompkins Memorial Chapel, Masonic Home, Saturday, June 24, 2000 Utica, New York

Dear Brethren,
The beautiful grounds of our Masonic Home Campus are a most inspiring location to begin our labors, as we journey to strengthen and further the harmony in our beloved Craft.

The magnificent Tompkins Chapel reminds all of us of our relationship to God and each other. It is incumbent upon us all to build and promote the harmony of all of the members and the community at large, displaying our labors to all, and creating that harmony with all of God's people.

The Staff Officers and District Deputy Grand Masters have all been recommended by their peers from their respective Dis-

tricts. The hard work and dedication to our Craft by all of these officers has presented them to the leadership role they now hold. The challenge of leadership can weigh heavily on all that embrace it; but remember you are not alone. We are all there to share the load.

The challenges we face are not insurmountable; we must proceed slowly and diligently and the positive results will follow.

Masons = Help!

My theme, "Masons = Help," will gently unfold as we proceed into the quarrries and resume our labors. We must all be prepared to support our Brethren, our Lodges, our Districts and our Grand Lodge. Quality programs provided by quality leadership cannot fail.

Quality programs

Quality programs such as those which have been implemented through the efforts of many of our Districts: the Child ID Program; Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Program; Veterans Services; Blood Drive Program and the Tuition Assistance Program, sponsored by the Trustees of the Masonic Hall and Home, all together have made a positive impact on all of our members and on society. We will further enhance the programs in the months ahead.

The Public Relations Committee has been reorganized to provide a more professional look to our Fraternity. Representatives from the Livingston Library; Medical Research Laboratory,

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Distinguished Community Service Award Recipient

By R.W.: Paul R. Gleason, Jr.

The recipient of the Masonic Service Bureau's Distinguished Community Service Award for the year 2000 is W.: David P. Crawford. This Award will be presented on Sunday, October 22nd, at the Breakfast following the Interfaith Service at Logan's Party House, 1420 Scottsville Road.

Masonic background

W.: Crawford is the son of Roberta P. Crawford and the late R.W.: R. Kenneth Crawford, Past Senior Grand Warden. A third generation Mason, his grandfather and namesake, David Crawford was Master of Fairmount (ND) Lodge, while grandfather, Alfred Perry, was a Mason in Syracuse. David was raised in Zetland Lodge No. 951 in 1964, serving as Master in 1978. He is also a member of AASR, Valley of Rochester, Damascus Temple, AAONMS, and served as President of the Masters and Wardens Association. Brother David is presently a member of ERAC Lodge No. 163, a result of several mergers.

Education

Our recipient recalls three words on a sign above the podium in his high school music room... "Attention, Enthusiasm, Fortitude". Attention to detail,

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The Excitable Heart

Part V: Electrophysiologic Mechanisms of the Long QT Syndrome

Seventy times a minute, 100,000 times each day, it beats effortlessly, indefatigably. Your heart is an organ like none other, charged with moving 4,300 gallons of blood each day through the intricate vascular network of our body. Although displacement of blood is its primary function, each and every beat of this unique muscular pump is initiated and finely regulated by electrical impulses that originate in the heart itself. Electrical currents, not in the form of electrons like those that course through the wires of our house, but in the form of ions, flow across the membrane of each cell causing voltage surges that set the heart in motion. Sodium ions rush into the cells, to be followed by potassium and chloride ions making a quick exit. The resulting voltage spike or action potential regulates the influx of calcium ions that mediate the sliding motion of filaments within each cell causing their shortening or contraction.

This process, repeated in each adjoining cell of the heart, causes the orderly spread of electrical activity and the synchronous contraction of the myocardium (heart muscle). Like other "excitable" tissues, the cells of the heart are electrically connected through low resistance pathways. These pathways facilitate the spread of the electri-

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Attention! All Ritualists

If you can do Ritual well and would like to assist other Lodges in the critical function of raising new Master Masons, please call between 9 a.m. and Noon Monday through Friday or write the Masonic Service Bureau Office. Let me know what parts you do well so that we can get your name on the list of:

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Scholarship recipients who were present at the Awards Presentations. More pictures on page 3.

\$14,000 in Grants made to Area Charities



Not in order: Doug Osterling-Cameron Ministries, Carolyn Ivey and Earl Isaacs-Family Resource Center, Janice Miller-A Meal and More, Paul Graham Raad-Open Door Mission, Sue and Tom Forsyth-Salem Nutritional, Lina King Allen-Salvation Army, Sister Barbara Kuhn-St. Peter's Kitchen, Michael Riggiero-St. Joseph's House, Donna Merlo-Grace Urban Ministries, Tom D'Agostino-Holy Childhood, Dave Lyddon-Isaiah House, Germaine Knapp-Sojourner House, Donald and Ruth Leopold-Advent House, Ellery Reaves-Life Span, Bob Meyer and Linda Diamond-Community Camperships, Gary Burke, Krystle Alley and Jason Burrows-Youth Organizations, and R.A. Rosati and R.L. Newman-JROTC.

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Editor's Corner

By Don Brugger
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Final Round of Golf

The "Final Round of Golf", sponsored by the Lakeside Foundation of Brockport, will again be played on Columbus Day, October 9. The course will be Hickory Ridge in Holley, NY. This year we will try to honor requested starting times within the 8 to 9 a.m. time frame. This will depend on total participation and availability of starting tees and scheduling will be handled by the Foundation Office.

As in last year's Tournament you will get a free cart, a snack at the turn and unlimited golf. All you need do is pay the \$5 application fee and come up with a minimum of \$30 in pledges for the Lakeside Foundation.

I have tried over these past four years to make this a Monroe District affair, encouraging all Lodges in the District to enter a foursome and foster friendly inter-Lodge competition. If a sufficient number of Lodges enter we will try to carry out that plan and award a trophy to the Lodge with the lowest "Callaway" net score. There will again be "Closest to the Pin," and "Longest Drive" Competitions. Prizes will depend on the generosity of our sponsors as in previous years. First prize for low Calloway net for the past two years has been a Sentry strongbox or safe, generously donated by the Sentry Safe Company of East Rochester. The Company has again come through with one of their products for this year.

If any one out there has a computerized version of the Calloway computation system, I would be eternally grateful for a copy as well as any offers of assistance.

Another loss

At the beginning of next year we will be losing another group of subscribers from a Lodge that has determined that the cost of communicating with the Brethren is too high. I am sure that you are aware that the *Times* does not represent all Masonic organizations. This is a battle that we have been waging continually. I have, in the past, painfully detailed the cost of the *Times* to our readers trying to convince them that it really is a super bargain. My efforts, I guess, have not been convincing enough.

If we are to survive as a viable Fraternity we must keep in touch with our Brothers. I can think of no better means at our disposal to show Masons and non-Masons alike what the Fraternity is doing than to put our message in a high quality publication. I believe we are striving to make the *Masonic Times* just such a publication. □

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Think about it!

Are you ready for the start of a new Masonic season? Has your Lodge or Concordant Body planned Family Nights? Have you given your best in time and money to your Masonic Service Bureau? Have you made plans to bring in at least one new member to your Blue Lodge? Or, has someone moved your cheese without your even knowing it?

Masonry needs YOU and so does the Masonic Service Bureau. We need- help cleaning and repairing our medical equipment; an Assistant Editor; persons to staff our Library and to work at Camp DeMolay; and we need your financial assistance.

You will soon be receiving the appeal for the year 2000. Please respond quickly with as much as you are comfortable with. The Service Bureau has a variety of community projects.

Early in the year 2001, we will be making a special appeal specifically for Camp DeMolay. This will be to establish an Endowment Fund for the Camp. We already have endowed the Scholarship and Charities Funds, but the Camp is equally important. However, the current appeal and the Endowment Appeal are separate focuses.

With your help the work of Masons in this area will continue. Be gracious and give from your heart.

The power of giving is that it keeps on giving. □



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Scientist Wins First Place in International Scientific Competition

Tetsu Emori, M.D., Postdoctoral Fellow at the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory (MMRL), was selected as the

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First Place Winner of the Young Investigator Award Competition of the North American Society of Pacing and Electrophysiology at its annual scientific sessions held in Washington, DC. Emori competed with scientists and physicians from throughout the world for the coveted Award. The study, co-authored by his sponsor and mentor, Dr. Charles Antzelevitch, MMRL Executive Director of Research, provided the cellular mechanisms for the electrocardiographic (ECG) features of a hereditary disease of the heart known as the Long QT Syndrome. The MMRL investigators used experimental models of the Long QT Syndrome to show how doctors may be able to better assess the risk for development of abnormal heart rhythms and sudden cardiac death in patients with this genetic disease, especially when administered drugs that prolong the electrical activity of the heart. Children born with this syndrome, usually lead a normal childhood, but experience dizzy spells in their teenage years or early adulthood. The dizzy spells are due to an abnormal rhythm of the heart, or cardiac arrhythmia, known as Torsade de Pointes. If not properly diagnosed and treated, one of the dizzy spells can result in sudden death. The study may also help physicians understand the electrocardiogram and the basis of arrhythmias that develop in patients with heart failure.

Antzelevitch and co-workers are world renowned for their work related to these hereditary diseases and other forms of sudden cardiac death. Emori spent two years as a Postdoctoral Fellow at the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory and will return to Japan later to resume his career as a clinical cardiologist. According to Antzelevitch, "We are very proud of Dr. Emori and hope that the information pro-

vided by his study proves helpful in the diagnosis and treatment of individuals afflicted with congenital and acquired (drug-induced) forms of this disease."

The study was supported by grants from the American Heart Association and the National Institutes of Health. □

Money Tip\$

By Dave Larson

Election and the stock market

Investors vote with their dollars in the stock market every day, but we only have the opportunity to vote for the President of the United States once every four years. Have you ever wondered if the Presidential election has any impact on the stock market?

Smith Barney looked at 20 Presidential election cycles going back to 1888 when Republican Benjamin Harrison defeated Democrat Grover Cleveland (some of you may even remember that race!). They found that when the party in power was re-elected, stock markets advanced 81 percent of the time (13 out of the 16 elections) and fell 19 percent of the time (three elections), a "fairly significant" correlation according to the analysis.

When the party in power was voted out, the stock market's performance was more of a toss-up. Stocks advanced 58 percent of the time (seven elections) and retreated 42 percent of the time (five elections). Chances for a bull market are better in election years; stocks went up 71 percent of the time (20 elections) and declined 29 percent of the time (eight elections). So what conclusion can we draw from history? There's a good chance the

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stock market will go up no matter who's elected!

Morgan Stanley Dean Witter analysts came to a similar conclusion. They looked at data going back to 1948, when Democrat, and M.W., Harry Truman defeated Republican Thomas Dewey in an upset, and found that stocks returned 15.2 percent on average in the fourth year of a Presidential term, or election year. The best performing year was the year before the election, however, when stocks averaged 23.3 percent.

Post-election returns have been less exciting. In a President's first year, the returns have averaged 7.1 percent while climbing to 10.9 percent in the second year.

Smith Barney also looked at post-election trends and found stocks don't do so well in the final month of an election year if the party in power changes, which occurred 12 times since 1888. The market was down 67 percent of the time and advanced only 33 percent of the time.

My recommendation: leave your portfolio alone and exercise your duty and right as an American to vote on November 7th. □

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\$14,000 in Scholarships

By Barbara Goodrich

The Annual Scholarships, granted by your Masonic Service Bureau, were awarded on June 21st. Grants totaling \$14,000 were also given to local charities on that evening.

The program was attended by scholars, parents and relatives, Officers of the MSB and of the Fraternity. The Bureau President, F. J. McCullough, presided over the festivities and Awards were presented by Erna-Jean T. Walker (Scholarships) and Jack Thibaut (Charities). Light refreshments were provided before the program.



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The Custodians Corner



R. W. Maurice Solomon
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Due to the illness of my wife, and her subsequent death, I discontinued publication of this column. However, the Editor has prevailed on me to resume, subject to the usual conditions—namely, all questions should be submitted in writing, and can be sent to me c/o the Masonic Service Bureau.

Q. Some years ago, you published suggested guidance procedures for the reception of a visiting Brother. Perhaps you can reprint those procedures.

A. The following suggestions are not Ritual, but are recommended as proper Masonic etiquette in regard to the reception of a visiting Brother.

After the Lodge is opened, and a visitor not known to the Tiler seeks admittance, the Tiler should ascertain whether the visitor knows a member of the Lodge (who is present) who could vouch for him. If so, the Tiler should make an alarm, and announce that "Brother so-and-so of such-and-such Lodge requests a Brother (in the Lodge) to vouch for him". The Junior Deacon relays this message to the Master, who requests the Brother who knows the visitor to retire and verify that he is in fact a Master Mason entitled to admittance.

The member, being satisfied the visitor is one he knows, and has sat with in open Lodge, has the visitor sign the Guest Register, and a Guest Slip. The Tiler then sounds an alarm, and announces that the Brother member and a Brother properly vouched for, seek admittance.

The visitor is escorted West of the Altar by the member, who salutes and introduces the Brother to the Worshipful Master, who greets the visitor and directs him to be seated with the Brethren (he should not be left to sit alone).

When a prospective visitor is not known, the Tiler has the visitor fill out a Guest Slip, entering his title, name and the name, number and location of his

Lodge. The Tiler then makes an alarm, and announces, "A visiting Brother requests an examination for admittance", at the same time handing the Guest Slip to the Junior Deacon, who relays it to the Worshipful Master after the door has been closed.

The Master appoints a small committee of one or two members to retire and examine the visitor, who if approved, should then be treated as already indicated above for a vouched member. If unable to vouch for the visitor, then obviously admittance should be denied. At all times, courtesy should be exercised, whether for approval or denial.

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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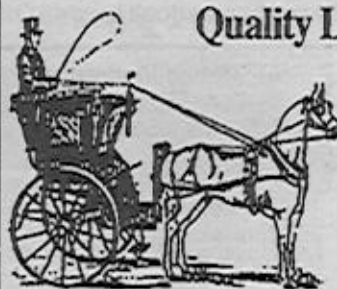
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While Masons traditionally think of the Summer months as "dark", I have found it to be anything but, as I have been very busy working with the District Leadership Team in developing a trestleboard for the coming Lodge year. By the time this article reaches your home, the team and I will have already met with the Masters and Secretaries twice, once to kick off a Grand Lodge project and once to review the District trestleboard.

District Team

The District team consists of the two Staff Officers and me:

R.W. James De Lorenzo and
R.W. Clifford Short
Grand Representatives
R.W. Keith Stambach
R.W. Ed Gillott
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Commitment

I am extremely grateful to these Brothers who have volunteered their time to make sure that Masons and Lodges have the opportunity to participate in quality programs here in the Monroes. I also know that healthy organizations (Masonry in Mon-

roe District in this case) must be constantly seeking opportunities to grow in quality experiences if it would grow in numbers. That is why we should all view the above list as a base line to which we will and must add other "projects" over the next two years and beyond. Every Mason in Monroe District should feel free to forward ideas by phone, e-mail, or in person to any of us and we will explore its feasibility.

A good example of the above occurred this Summer with the opportunity to participate in the WXXI Membership Drive. W. Brother Moe Schirano (Master of Webster Lodge and President of M & W) got out an all call over the internet and put together a team to support the drive. Think of the number of viewers who learned a little bit more about Freemasonry that day. Brother Moe deserves our thanks. If it is true that "Masons are doers," Brother Moe fills the bill.

Attention to the quality of our Ritual is certainly a very high priority. In support of that goal, on the recommendation of R.W. Robert Zabel (Moderator), I had the opportunity to nominate R.W. Eugene Brendel as Deputy Moderator of the School of Instruction for Monroe District. Both Brothers will work closely with the Grand Lecturer and the AGLs to provide instructional opportunities for all Brethren in the Monroe District. Maintaining quality Ritual is an ongoing activity for all of us individually and at the Lodge level. Time and again it can be demonstrated that where Ritual is of a high quality, Masonry is flourishing.

Ritual

That is probably a perfect lead-in to reminding all Brothers of the School of Ritual on August 29th at Wakan/Hubbard Lodge at 7:30 p.m. Emphasis will be on Opening, Closing, and Balloting.

I firmly believe, as did Brother Franklin long ago, that our survival as Lodges and Concordant Bodies depends on our working together. No group has espoused and lived this principle more than the Valley of Rochester, AASR. I would remind you of the Symbolic Lodge Awards Night, the Ambassador's Program, the Scholarship Program, and the Children's Learning Center, all of which support Craft Masonry here in Monroe District. Adding to that list would be the Summer Work Session for Masters (dinner and training program) hosted by the Valley of Rochester on August 23rd. My sincere thanks go to Commander-in-Chief Charlie Hancock and his Leadership Team for their support.

Official visits

The Staff Officers and I will be beginning Official Visits in September and we look forward to seeing you in Lodge. Our plan is to travel together, but be available to any Lodge to support a program on any Lodge night. Even when we don't have an Offi-

cial Visit, we hope to get to Lodges and enjoy the programs/Degrees which you are participating in. We greet the new Lodge year with excitement and enthusiasm, confident that the business of "making good men better" is our common watchword and commitment.

Final round of golf

Another Community based program we can all participate in is the "Final Round of Golf" at the Hickory Ridge Golf Course on Columbus Day, October 9th. This event is being sponsored by Wakan/Hubbard Lodge and is for the benefit of the Lakeside Foundation of the Brockport Lakeside Hospital. For more information see the ad in this issue or call Brother Don Brugger 473-4351 or 458-6125.

Important dates

August 29th - School of Ritual, Wakan/Hubbard, 7:30 p.m.

September 11 - Apron Presentation at ERAC for R.W. Richard Friedman by M.W. Carl J. Smith. If you would like to attend the dinner and program at the Mosque, call me at 621-3573 and I will make a reservation for you.

October 13 - Grand Lecturer's Convention.

October 14 - Grand Master's Town Meeting.

October 14 - Grand Ball in Buffalo (open to all, call me if you need tickets).

October 19 - Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Awards Night, Downtown Temple.

October 22 - Interfaith Breakfast, 9:00 a.m., Logan's.

Grand Lodge Staff Officers

Monroe District

Grand Steward
R.W. James
De Lorenzo
(h) 458-8856
(o) 453-3933



Grand Director
of Ceremonies
R.W. Clifford
H. Short
(h) 225-0464
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By R.W. Clifford H. Short

Greetings, Brethren

Our new term has begun and so far it has been exciting, busy and rewarding. We thank the Purple Club for their recommendation, encouragement and support in our new positions as your Grand Lodge Staff Officers. It's nice to know that there are so many experienced leaders in the Craft who are there to assist, guide and advise us.

We thank all the Brethren for the warm receptions that were extended to us at your Lodge Installations, and other activities that we've had the pleasure of attending. Our goal is to get to know each and every one of you over the next two years. We assure you that you will be seeing a lot of us during our term of office, and beyond.

Easy job?

If anyone tells you a Grand Officer's job is easy, don't believe him. We've been so busy these past four months; it's hard to imagine that we've just embarked on our two year terms. It also has been, however, truly enjoyable. The training we've been through,

and the friends we've made, have been well worth the effort. We both look forward to assisting you, as well as representing you, for the next two years.

We will be trying some different activities over the next two years, as well as resurrecting some programs that have worked well in the past. The Masters of your respective Lodges were given an opportunity to learn about some of these at a meeting on August 23rd. We thank all the Masters and Lodge representatives for their attendance, and hope that some of our enthusiasm rubbed off on them, so they can carry an invigorated interest in the Craft back to each of their Lodges.

Ritual work

One of our main focuses for the next two years will be to infuse an increased interest and enthusiasm in the performance of our Ritual work. We will also have programs for all of our Brethren, from the Entered Apprentice to the seasoned Master Mason. Don't be surprised if you get a call from either one of us or anyone of our Educational Committee members, asking for your help. One of our programs is taking the LSOME Program to a District level, rather than leaving it up to the individual Lodges. The Masters will be receiving more information on this in the near future.

Lastly, we want all of you to know that although technically we answer to the M.W. Carl J. Smith, we will work for each and every one of you. Our jackets are off, the sweat is prominent on our brows, and we intend seeing you in the quarries.

Dates to remember

There are some dates you should be keeping in mind.

The Grand Lecturer's Convention is scheduled for Friday evening, October 13th. It would be really nice to have a large number of Potts Awards this year, so if you are a Lodge Officer, be sure to reserve this date.

On the morning of October 14th we will be having breakfast before the Grand Master's Town Meeting. Be sure to get your reservation in. We attended the

September 2000

Town Meeting in North Syracuse this Spring and met the Grand Master. This will be a chance for every Brother to meet and talk to him. You'll find he is a very real, down to earth, people person, who will enjoy talking with you.

The Grand Master's Ball is the same night, October 14th, in Buffalo. We're sure that this is going to be a great event. Your Worshipful Master has details on all of these events, so make sure you contact him early.

ASSISTANT GRAND LECTURERS



MONROE DISTRICT



V.W. Keith
Stambach



V.W. John
Zabel

By V.W. John Zabel

I thank V.W. Dan Walker for his two years as AGL for the former Second Monroe District. Brother Dan was a pleasure to work with at the School of Ritual and the Grand Lecturer's Convention. I now welcome R.W. R. Keith Stambach as a newly appointed AGL for the Monroe District. Brother Keith is replacing Brother Dan. Many of you know Brother Keith. He is a regular attendee of the School of Ritual and serves on the Damascus Shrine Past Master's Degree Team. Brother Keith will lend his vast experience to the District in the coming years.

School of Ritual

The Masonic year's events will start with the first School of Ritual on August 29th at Wakan/Hubbard Lodge No. 154 in Penfield (note the change from the letter to Lodge Masters). The work for the evening will be

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Opening, Closing and Balloting. The work will be exemplified by volunteer participants. The evening will start at 7:30 p.m. and conclude by 9:00 p.m. The officers of all the Lodges in the Monroe District are especially invited to attend. All Brethren are encouraged to attend this School.

Grand Lecturer's Convention

This event will be held on Friday, October 13th, at Fairport Lodge. There will be a dinner before the Convention, details will be sent to all the Lodges by mid-September. 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.

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.

The participation in the work for these Schools is being arranged. The Masters of the Lodges who will be asked to participate in the School will be contacted, or have been contacted, by Brother Keith or myself.

As always, the AGL's are ready to assist any Lodge at Degree rehearsals or help find Brethren to take a part in Degree work. Do not hesitate to call either Brother Keith or me. See the new Directory for phone numbers.

committees after the Treasurer's Report.

On behalf of the Masters and Wardens Association, I give a BIG THANK YOU to W.. Phil for a great job well done.

On September 9th, at 10:00 a.m., we will be having our first meeting at Webster Lodge No. 538 at 30 Orchard Street, Webster. I encourage all the Masters to call their Senior and Junior Wardens (also Jr. and Sr. Deacons) and invite them to come to this meeting. They will be asked to vote for President of the Senior and Junior Wardens group.

The Masters and Wardens Association provides a forum for dialogue in which Senior Officers of Masonic Lodges in Monroe County exchange information and address common problems. Those areas of mutual interest include, but are not limited to, membership development, member participation, membership retention, and program development and implementation of specific programs.

The Association will also undertake projects of a recreational or charitable nature of interest and benefit to the Masonic Fraternity. Our overall mission is to strengthen the Fraternity through information sharing, presenting new ideas, acting as a clearing house for necessary information and prioritizing important issues, establish an atmosphere for mutual bonding and to build a social network within the group.

Upcoming dates

August 29th-School of Ritual. Opening, Closing and Balloting. This will be at Wakan/Hubbard Lodge No. 154 at 1822a Penfield Rd. at 7:30 p.m.

On October 14th the Grand Master's Town Meeting will be at the Downtown Temple, 8:00 a.m.

October 14th at 6:30 p.m. is the Grand Master's Ball in Buffalo, NY.

October 22nd, 9:00 a.m., is the Monroe District Interfaith Service and Breakfast at Logan's.

Please put these dates on your calendar.

See you in Webster on September 9th.

Membership Retention

R..W.. Joseph Privitera
Monroe District

Are you ready?

I have been involved with the Craft for just over twenty years. That may be a short amount of time compared to some of you, such as R..W.. Bob Sanford, who has over 50 years in Masonry, but a long time to some Brothers. In those years, I have seen Grand Lodge Officers come and go. Most have done a fine job in their

respective positions. So, with all due respect to all past Grand Lodge Officers of the Monroe District, Monroe District Masons better be ready for the Brothers we have as our current Grand Lodge Officers. They are the best prepared group of Grand Lodge Officers I have known. They are ready to do a good job. I am confident they will.

R..W..s Bill Lindsay, our DDGM, Cliff Short and Jim De Lorenzo, Staff Officers, have been training, meeting, planning and organizing. They have been meeting with the Masters, Wardens, and Secretaries of the Lodges in the Monroe District. They have met with Grand Lodge Officers from neighboring Districts to coordinate activities. They have been meeting with District Chairmen, Grand Representatives and State Committeemen. I can honestly tell you that this team of Grand Lodge Officers IS ready. They are ready to lead and assist any Master and Lodge in the Monroe District. They need and deserve your support. The question remains, however, are you, your Lodge, and your Lodge leadership ready?

NPD's

Some Masons think that Membership Retention's only work is to those Brothers about to be dropped for non-payment of dues. It covers much more. We will go over that in future articles. However, the NPD situation is something we will be covering today.

Look at your Dues Card

Take out your wallet and look at your Lodge dues card. If the year says 2000, you are all set. Thank you, put your wallet away. If the year is 1999, you are a year behind in paying your dues. If the year is 1998, then we have a situation. We do not want to lose you because of non-payment of dues.

If there is a financial situation where you can only afford 1999 dues, then just pay that and pay 2000 dues later. If there is a situation where you cannot afford payment, then contact your Lodge Master or Secretary. Something can and should be arranged.

If you have a situation, financial or otherwise, talk to someone about it. If you want to talk to someone outside your Lodge, you can talk to me or anyone listed on page 2 of this publication under 'Hot Numbers'.

Lodge Secretaries don't know this yet, but in September we will be asking them for lists of all Brothers who are about to be dropped for non-payment of dues so we can contact them on a District level. We will be doing this to find out if Brothers need assistance or any other situation that we hopefully can resolve and learn what we can do in the Craft

to avoid these situations in the future.

See you in Lodge.

Bureau of Masonic Education Monroe County

President:
V..W.. John Zabel

New Fall Program

The Bureau of Masonic Education is planning to have three Saturday morning sessions this Fall for new Brothers. The first session is for the newly Entered Apprentice and his mentor. The session will be held on Monday, October 16th. The location has not yet been established, but will be communicated to the Lodges well in advance. The session will cover the 1st Degree portion of the Lodge System of Masonic Education (LSOME), including the video tape. The 1st Degree Questions and Answers will be worked on and other Masonic information will be conveyed. This session, and the remaining two, are intended to help the new Mason with the lectures, give good Masonic information and introduce the new Brothers to other new Brothers from other Lodges.

The second session for newly passed Fellowcraft will be held on Monday, November 20th. This session will cover the 2nd Degree lecture, the LSOME 2nd Degree material and video and answer questions for the new Brothers. Information of Masonic symbolism, as well as how to talk about the Fraternity, will be presented.

The last session for the newly raised Master Masons will be held on Monday, January 15th, 2001. The last session will cover such topics as protocol in open Lodge, the use of titles, etc. It is intended to help the new Brother become comfortable during Lodge meetings.

The location and times for these events will be communicated to the Lodges as soon as the arrangements can be made. We hope that every new Brother and his mentor will make every effort to attend these sessions. The information imparted will prove invaluable in their Masonic career. If these sessions prove to be successful, there will be a second set of three sessions scheduled for the Spring.

It would help in planning if the program for each Lodge could be sent to the officers of the Bureau of Masonic Education when they are available. In this way we can plan the new Brother sessions after every Lodge has conferred either the 1st, 2nd or 3rd Degree. Consult the Masonic Directory for addresses.

As an end note, George has taken an extended Summer vacation, but will return in the next issue. If there are topics you would like George to address, send them to me. We hope that everyone has enjoyed the Summer up to now. Summer is not over yet, but the Masonic year has started.

Grand Lodge Veterans Service Committee



R..W.. Thomas M. Paqlia
Vice Chairman
Veteran's Service

Grand Lodge Veteran's Registry

With the approval of the Grand Master, M..W.. Carl J. Smith, the Grand Lodge will be putting together a registry of all New York State Masonic Military Veterans.

All New York State Masons have received their "Empire State Mason" magazine, and in it there was a form card separately stapled between pages 40 and 41 for each veteran to fill out, so their names may be inserted into the Grand Lodge Registry. The Grand Lodge of New York is attempting to find all New York State Masonic veterans so that they may be recognized.

Names must be received by September, 2000, after which a certificate, medal, or both, will be issued to each veteran. If you don't register, you will not be recognized.

The Master and Secretary of your Lodge have the necessary information. After filling out the form, mail it to the address listed on the form or to me at 84 Grand View Lane, Rochester, NY 14612.

The form is also in this issue of the *Masonic Times*.

Monroe Masonic Secretaries Association

President
Thomas W. Kendig
315-524-4063
Secretary/Treasurer
Philip Averbach
458-1817

By R..W.. F. Jay McCullough
2000-2001 Officers

W.. Thomas Kendig was elected President of this Body at the end of last season. Brother Karl-Heinz Reich accepted election to the Vice-Presidency and R..W.. Phil Averbach continues as Secretary-Treasurer, having served in that capacity for 10 these many years. Their phone numbers are listed in the newest County Masonic Directory under the heading for the Association in the Related Men's Organizations section.

Survey

Our President mailed about 35 copies of a survey to Secretaries in Symbolic Lodges, Concor-

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Monroe District Masters & Wardens Assoc.



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

The official Masters and Wardens meeting was held at ERAC Lodge No. 163 on June 10th and was called to order by W.. Phillip Hurwitz.

The first order of business was the Election of Officers for 2000-2001. Elected were:

President W.. Emil J. Schirano,
Webster No. 538
Vice-President W.. John Dyer,
Etolian No. 479
Secretary Karl-Heinz Reich,
Etolian No. 479
Treasurer David Zegas,
ERAC No. 163

All Officers were nominated, voted on and installed.

W.. Phillip Hurwitz thanked all the members for their participation and all the help over the year and released all officers and

NEW YORK MILLENNIUM PROJECT

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Last Name (Enter name as it should appear on certificate)	First Name	M.I.	G.L. No.
Brother's mailing address (City, State, Zip Code +4)		Telephone No.	
Brother's Lodge & No.	Lodge Address	District	
Military Service Information:			
Branch of Service	Dates of Service	Service Serial No.	Rank
Current Status: <input type="checkbox"/> On Active Duty <input type="checkbox"/> Retired <input type="checkbox"/> Honorably Discharged			

Information provided here is confidential
Only for Veterans Service Committee Use and Grand Lodge Registry Dept.

Rather than mount a time consuming mailing campaign to all of the Districts and Lodges, the Committee Chairman, R..W.. Moses J. Hyman, asks for the cooperation of each New York State Mason or anyone receiving this publication to forward the names of Masons under the New York State Free & Accepted Masons Jurisdiction who have served in our armed forces.

Mail to:

Millennium Project
Veterans Service Committee
Masonic Hall
71 West 23rd Street
New York, NY 10010-4149

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dant, Allied and related Masonic groups. The intent was to compile a profile of average dues, amounts paid to treasurers, secretaries, tilers and others for their services, and simply some general local facts for secretaries to convey back to their respective units.

There have been 15 respondents to date. We will try to work with that. There are those among us who apparently consider such inquiries an invasion of the privacy of the unit or choose not to be team players.

New Grand Lodge Computer Software Program

Our Junior Grand Warden tells us the new Masonic Lodge Secretary's System, used to compose, condense and streamline our methods of communicating Lodge data should be on the market and available to us after mid-August. All secretaries are looking forward to this improvement in business methods.

Next Association meeting

Our first meeting for the last half of this year should take place late this month. Your officers will be on the phones making calls to let you know the date, time and place. The President hopes to have an agenda that will make it worth your time and effort to come out for a meeting. We all have things to learn from each other as Lodge administrators. □

Who Has the Traveling Gavel?

Reporter
Mat Gingold

Valley/Simes Lodge No. 109

W.: Michael G. Batz, Master
(h) 820-9019
(o) 272-8470

2nd Tuesday
7:30 P.M.

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

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

It has been a great start to what I feel will be a fantastic Masonic year. There is a renewal of energy in the officer's line that encourages me to no end. Brother Joseph Gingold made a commitment to steering this line further into the light, and Brother Robert Hill has got a vision for the future! We have enjoyed a couple of Summer get-togethers and made many plans for your involvement. I look forward to your participation and attendance if your cable tow permits.

Since this is my third year as Master, one might wonder if the "light" hasn't shown too greatly on my forehead! I assure you, my noodles aren't overcooked. I do have the commitment from several people to pull together so that my cabletow, and theirs, might work as one great one.

Camp DeMolay

Earlier this May, Brother Michael McBride, Sr., (Fellowcraft Club President), and R.W.: Richard Snyder, put to-



Valley/Simes Crew, spruces up Camp DeMolay-Richard Snyder, Dick Giedd John Rogalsky, Mat Gingold, Glenn Stahl, Robert Belt, David Mura, and Michael McBride. (Photos courtesy Mike Batz)

gether a work detail (14 men or so), to clean up the entrance area of Camp DeMolay, and to put up a great looking new sign at the entrance. Brother John Pogalsky saved the day by bringing his professional landscaping equipment (he owns a landscaping company) and lending his professional knowledge. We had a great time, even through the rain, and a picnic afterwards. Our thanks to Rita Snyder for lunch. We also had our Annual Family Lodge Picnic at the Camp to show it off and promote interest. There were 40 or so there.

Changes

At our Past Master's Steak Roast, hosted by R.W.: Robert Anderson at the lake, several PM's gave their support and words of encouragement. They were responding to the plans and trestleboard for this year. The first change will be: utilizing the second meeting night for doing Masonic activities. You will be receiving a newsletter soon, detailing these activities. Suffice it to say, we will be busy!

One class will be planned this year, in the second half, and the hope is to have to get special dispensation for 8-10 new candidates. We will be conducting all 3 Degrees ourselves, and hope to draw all parts from our own Lodge.

I do not want to short change our new line, no PM's except me, of the benefit of proper Masonic light, nor the use of good floor work. We will be working especially hard on this. We will be going to the District Schools of Ritual and utilizing our own Fellowship Club for guidance. Please come to any function you are able, either for participation or sideline support. I know you will be proud.

Wardens

A noteworthy message about our Wardens: Brother Joe Gingold, SW, will have a little more time on his hands since finishing the major portion of his college education. He has, however, been promoted in military rank, adding responsibility, and as many of you know, still serves our country in the Reserves. He is a great source of inspiration for us all.

Brother Bob Hill, JW, is a member of the Clydesdale Breeders of the US. He recently attended a horsesale in Canada. He witnessed the record setting sale of two Clydesdale mares, among others. One mare sold for \$27,000+ and another for \$32,000+. Even though those figures are Canadian currency, they are sale toppers in any currency! Brother Hill has a couple of films on Clydesdales and is happy to put on a presentation at any Lodge or group. Contact him through 264-1295 and get him before tax season starts, because he gets very busy at H&R Block.

Share your talents

Please help me put together a list of your Masonic talents for our internal use. We would like to honor your past talents, as well. We will be sending you survey questions or phone inquiries. If you are still willing to share them, we are looking to fill in a program or two. We hope you're healthy and enjoying life. Join us at a meeting or two this year, you will be impressed with our work, I am certain.

One last note

Petitions from your sons and grandsons are a testimony to your faith in your officers and this Lodge's will to survive. Send them in and we can continue to feed the current movement. We will be in touch. Shalom. □



Your top three Officers, Joseph Gingold-Senior Warden, W.: Michael Batz - Master, and Robert Hill - Junior Warden.

September 2000 Brother Attridge Receives 70 Year Service Award



Brother Earl Attridge, with his wife, Betty, receiving the 70 year Award from W.: Richard Giedd, R.W.: Mat Gingold and Brother Mike McBride at his home in Tonawanda. (Photo courtesy R. Giedd)

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

Brothers

I hope you have all been enjoying the Summer this year. Apart from a few rainy days, I think the season has been fine for vacations and various family activities.

Now, however, it is time to resume our duties in the Lodge. The new season is upon us and with it the start of the 2000-2001 year. As we begin, I will remind each of you of the importance of attending the Lodge meetings. In order for the Lodge to grow, and inevitably the Craft as a whole, we really need the attendance level to increase. Improved attendance not only encourages the officers to work harder, but makes for a better showing when we welcome new members into the Lodge.

September

Our first official meeting of the new year will be held **Thursday, September 14th**. I will remind each of the officers to hit the books so they know their respective parts when we open and close. Here are a few dates to be aware of:

Monday, August 28-Rehearsal in Ionic at 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 7-Rehearsal in Ionic at 7:30 p.m.

The dinners will resume on each first Thursday of the month starting in October. Because we have some new officers in line, I feel it is important to hold a rehearsal in September so as to iron out any difficulties with the Ritual and also to answer any questions or concerns.

Communicate!

As I mentioned last June, 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, I am arranging a meeting with Fairport Lodge to discuss the possible upcoming merger. Due to poor attendance over the last few years, we feel that we have no choice but to pursue this final avenue. I know some of you are against this, but

without the membership attendance, Flower City Lodge cannot continue to function. I am available to all who wish to discuss this issue, although I will have more specifics after the meeting. At the moment, however, Flower City Lodge is still fully active and I expect all officers to assume their duties and responsibilities to the fullest.

I will always be available for consultation if you need. Please feel free to contact me, or any of your officers, if you have questions or concerns. I am looking forward to my second term as Master, and hope to see you all at our September meeting. □

Churchville Lodge No. 667

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



W.: John H. Hennessy, Jr.
Master
594-1545

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

W.: George R. Burke,
Secretary
293-1629

Welcome back, Brothers

My wife, Mickie, and I hope your Summer was as nice as ours. It started off with the first Lodge Picnic that we have had in many years. Attendance was small this year, but we still had over 40 people. There was an ample supply of food and drink and I think everyone had an excellent day! Hopefully, next year we will increase attendance with more advanced planning.

First meeting

Our first meeting of the year on September 13th, will be our Official Visit. We will be welcoming R.W.: William Lindsay, DDGM, with a Roast Beef Dinner, starting at 6:30 p.m., meeting at 7:30 p.m.

New website

We now have our own website, thanks to the efforts of Brother Ed Kelly! I would encourage you all to visit our site. Brother Ed has really shown a talent and enthusiasm. I'm sure your comments and ideas will be appreciated. The address is: www.geocities.com/churchvilleglodge667/

New candidates

As of this date we have three petitions to report. Our 1st Degree is scheduled for October 11th. Please get your petitions in early so that we may be ready.

I welcome my new line and I hope that our year together is enjoyable and well received. A special thanks goes to Past Master, George Pfleger, for all the help he has given me. □

**Craftsman/
Robertson
Lodge No. 969**

W.: Gabriel J. Milonni, Master
(h) 467-9535

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

W.: Thomas W. Kendig
Sec. 1-315-524-4063
875 Main Street East
Rochester, N.Y. 14605

**ERAC
Lodge No. 163**

W.: Louis Perna, Master
334-8265

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

www.frontiernet.net/~dmz
R.: W.: Richard C. Friedman
Sec. (h) 377-6175 (w) 271-2775
152 Commercial St. West
East Rochester, N.Y. 14445

one of whom is the Most Worshipful Carl J. Smith, Grand Master of Masons of the State of New York. This does not happen very often. We should all seize the opportunity and enjoy what will be a truly memorable night for ERAC No. 163.

Picnic

On July 26th, we enjoyed a picnic at my home. The weather did its part. Those who came enjoyed a fine Summer evening of good food and good fellowship.

Phone Committee

Thus far I have received some feedback from Brothers interested in being part of the Phone Committee. A few more Brothers would make this an easier assignment.

Garage Sale

Don't forget the First Annual Lodge Garage Sale, planned for October, 2000. We still need some volunteers for this time limited commitment. Please start considering what items you might have to donate to this cause and put them to the side. A plan will be developed to get the items to the Lodge. All proceeds go to the

Lodge, to be used as the Brethren see fit.

I pride myself on having good communication skills. I am, however, always open to advice and suggestions. Call me at home, 334-8265, at work, 368-3949 or by e-mail.

Reservations needed

The Most Worshipful Carl J. Smith, Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York, will be in Rochester on Monday, September 11th to attend the ERAC Lodge No. 163 Awards Night. He will honor the service of many Brethren and present R.: W.: Richard C. Friedman with his Junior Grand Warden's Apron.

This event will take place at Damascus Temple Shrine, 979 Bay Road in Webster. Attitude adjustment will begin at 6:00 p.m. A Roast Beef Dinner will be held at 6:30 p.m. and the program will start at 7:30 p.m. Chicken can be substituted with an advance reservation.

This is an open event. Couples and families are most welcome.

For non-ERAC members only, please direct RSVP's to Terry Wihlen at 716-346-4380.

**F A M E
Lodge No. 945**

CHARTERED 1917
4275 Culver Rd.
Rochester, N.Y. 14622

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

Leon VanHuben, Secretary
647-1391

By Robert Ogden

Dedicated Service Award

On June 6th, at the Public Installation of Officers, W.: Tom Kendig was presented with the DSA Apron, Certificate and Pin by R.: W.: Don Darrohn. He was assisted by W.: Gabe Milonni, W.: Chuck Strickland, and R.: W.: Vern Goodrich. Brother Tom was the 11th recipient of this prestigious Award presented to our members. We all salute you, Brother Tom.

In memoriam

We were saddened to hear of the passing of W.: Charles Walker's wife, Barbara, and Brothers Christ Stock, Harold Russell and Richard Kilton. Our deepest sympathies to their families and friends.

Wild Shirt Night

June 20th marked our annual Wild Shirt Night. The following judges, Brothers Chuck Strickland, Jack Grover and Paul Robertson, after careful deliberation, selected Brother Tom Kendig as the winner. He was sporting a polo shirt with the true imprints of his grandchildren's hands on the front of the shirt. Quite a unique effect. Brother Paul Robertson won an honorable mention.

Special Olympics-July 23rd

We tip our hats and salute Brother Ken Schumacher for assembling 14 Brothers and friends from Craftsman/Robertson Lodge to participate in directing about 70 athletes in the Golf Tournament and Walk-a-Thon. The group consisted of Brothers Paul Robertson, Jack Grover, Bob and Barry Traub, Ralph Jurgens and his wife, Ann, Tom Kendig with son, Steve, his wife, Janet, and their son, Michael, Derek VanHouten and Gabe Milonni. Sylvia Korn from Special Olympics, coordinated the event. Her father is a Mason from Cortland.

Lodge Picnic

W.: Skip Waterstreet mailed the invitations for the Picnic on August 19th, with a very nice menu. We had a great turn-out. Thanks again to Brother Skip and his assistant, Brother Bob Traub, for such a pleasant outing.

Brotherhood Fund

The Masonic Brotherhood Fund kicks off on October 7th. Brothers, please contribute what you feel comfortable in giving. Last year was a good year-let's keep it that way. Thanks.

From the Secretary

W.: Tom Kendig received word that R.: W.: Fred Seuffert is not doing so well lately. I believe his breathing is impaired. We all hope you recover quickly, Brother Fred.

Birthdays

Pleasant returns of the day to the Brothers whose birthdays fell in July: Russ Rines, Bob Lindeman, Arny Ford, Bill Hook,

Greetings, Brethren, of ERAC No. 163. It gives me great pleasure to be your Master for the ensuing year. I hope you are all enjoying the Summer.

The Summer, so far, has been very busy with plans for Awards Night, scheduled for September 11th. More details are forthcoming. This is big, my Brothers. We have Brothers receiving many different awards. We will also have several distinguished visitors,

Dave King, Dick Sechrist, Skip Waterstreet, Barry Chermis, Bill Adams, Paul Lockhart, Garfield Kyte, Cliff Field, Maury Clark, Cliff Smith, Dave Lerner, Wes Trendell, Sid Horton, Volney Frankel, Gene White, Frank Suhr, Tom Kendig, Don Fetting, Karl Stets, and Rene Vandeveire.

August birthdays were: Malcolm Nulton, Bill Shelby, Dave DeHollander, Barry Traub, Ken Schumacher, Stan Nash, Chet Kowlaski, Jim Causey, Al Neracker, Warren Doerrer, Herb Young and Duane Smith.

September birthdays are: Frank Newman, Bill Stark, Jr., Joe Steffen, Chuck Sanford, Gib Blew, Gerry Pfrengle, Bill Kircherer, Ed Baker, Bob Waldeck, Elmer Smit, Bob Shartran, Bob Freitag, Hal Carlson, Glenn Post, Don Connor and Bill Kaufman.

September meetings

September 5th will be a dinner with the ladies, a short business meeting and a speaker.

September 12th is Fellowcraft meeting where we will be planning our Bring-a-Friend Night.

Our Official Visit from our District Deputy Grand Master, R.: W.: William Lindsay, will take place on September 19th.

I sincerely hope everyone had an enjoyable Summer and found time for some days of relaxation with your family or some time away to visit a special place.

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John Henderson pipes in the Officers, led by W.: Gabriel Milonni. Knights of Cyrene/Monroe Commandery formed the Honor Guard.



W.: Charles Strickland assisting R.: W.: William Lindsay in presenting the D.S.A. to W.: Tom Kendig. (Photos courtesy C. Waterstreet)



(f) R.: W.: Paul Robertson, R.: W.: Bill Lindsay - DDGM, W.: Cliff Field, Duane Smith, W.: Gabe Milonni, Derek VanHouten, W.: Volney Frankel, Harold Impson, and R.: W.: Vern Goodrich. (m) Ken Schumacher, Paul Abbey, Jasper Kennedy, R.: W.: Ed Walker, William Wimberly, and R.: W.: Don Darrohn. (b) W.: Tom Kendig, Ralph Jurgens, Earl Pearce, Charles Neracki, Robert Burns, and W.: Skip Waterstreet.

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

W. Paul Sobtitz, Sec.
671-8980

I feel like it was just yesterday that I was writing the newsletter wishing everyone a good Summer, and here I am again writing to welcome you back. I trust that each of you and your families had a pleasant Summer.

It seems like no matter how fast they make rockets, jets or cars, nothing goes faster than the Summers in Rochester!

Our last event before Summer break was the Father's Day Program cookout. The Shrineclowns put on an excellent program and about 75 family and friends were in attendance. The clowns made up W. John Clapp, and it was something to see from start to finish! Thanks to Brother Brad Lewis and his wife, Kate, for a wonderful cookout and Brother John Merz for the cooking.

One other event was our participation in the Webster Fireman's Parade. We had 17 members help at the Food Booth and 12 members from our Lodge and 2 from Etolian Lodge marched or rode with W. Warren Patterson in his 1965 Buick. We had a good turnout for this and I thank all who participated.

By the way, on Channel 12 the parade was shown.

Our Golf Chairman, Hank Libera, was in charge of a Tournament on August 6th. More on this in the next article.

Future events

Our first meeting on September 7th will be a welcome back program. There will be open discussions about Lodge goals, what you as members want to hear, what you want to do and programs you are interested in.

All are invited to our Fellowship meeting on September 14th.

September 21st will be Brother Bring-a-Friend Night. This will be chaired by R. W. Bruce Chilton. So get your friends interested, it will be a great night. Brother Bruce puts his heart into this program because it's something he believes in very deeply. He always does a great job.

There will be a dinner before the Program at 6:30 p.m. and dinner will be free for the guests and their sponsors. All the wives are invited, so tell yours she has a night she won't have to cook. We need reservations; you can call Brad Lewis at 265-2914, please.

September 28th will be an Officers Meeting at the Lodge, 7:30 p.m. All are welcome to attend and give us some input.

October 5th will be the District Deputy's Official Visit. This will be a tux night. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m.; call Brad for reservations. If you can't reach Brad, please call me at 265-3932. Let's

have a good turnout for our new District Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Bill Lindsay. I know he will have a lot of exciting news from our new Grand Master.

Please put these dates on your calendar.

Condolences

It saddens me at this time to report the passing of Brother Howard Bunn, who has been a member for many years.

Brother John Merz's sister-in-law, Mary Strowe Gage passed away.

The Lodge extends its thoughts and prayers to their families and friends. □



Wes Beard, Emil Schirano, Doug Koenig, Karl-Heinz Reich, Brad Lewis and David Sylvester take over while firemen march.



Wilbur Beh-Mayor of Webster & Mark Fenton. (Pictures John Clapp)



Richard Patterson, Fred Cornell, Sr., Bill Kuehne, Vance Collom, Jr., Arthur McMichaels, and Richard Batzing.



After relieving the firemen, Webster & Etolian marched, led by W. Emil Schirano: William Edwards, Vance Collom, Jr., Bradley Lewis, Bernard Russell, Doug Koenig, Karl-Heinz Reich, and Henry Libera. Riding were Warren Patterson, Richard Patterson, Fred Cornell, Sr., and Arthur McMichaels. Not pictured-John Clapp and Walter Cone.



(1st) R. W. Wayne Engbrecht-Inst. Chap., R. W. Richard Friedman-Jr. GW, W. Emil Schirano-Master, John Merz-JW, W. Paul Sobtitz-Sec., and R. W. Paul Moore-Inst. Mar. (2nd) David Walker-Organist, Bradley Lewis-JW, Jim Lindstrom-Stwd., Joseph Provost-Sr. MC, Niketas Haldoupis, and Richard Patterson. (3rd) David Sylvester-Jr. Dec., Walter Cone-Stwd., W. John Clapp-Treas., R. W. Bruce Chilton-Inst. Chap. (Not pictured) Vance Collom-Mar., Douglas Koenig-SR. Dec., Donald Yakopcic-Jr. MC.

(Photo Emil Schirano)

MONROE Lodge No. 173



2nd
Tuesday
7:30 P.M.

Master
W. George
W. Broge

Secretary
Roy D. Goold,
637-6419

67 Main Street
Brockport, N.Y. 14420

Fall greetings to the Brothers of Monroe No. 173. If there was a "Summer break", it is now over and we have been "encouraged" to break the cycle of consecutive lack of articles in the *Times*.

The most significant event concerning the Lodge was the survey we conducted, the mailing to you in May with a SASE to facilitate your replies. It went to 73 Brothers, two-thirds of the Lodge responded. Four queries were asked: do you wish to continue receiving the *Masonic Times*? Those who did not respond we included with those who really did not care. Only six Brothers elected to continue receiving the *Times*. Thirty-eight widows also were asked the same question, only six responded in the affirmative.

The saving to the Lodge in monetary terms is significant. For those who wish to continue receiving it, the price increases from \$4.00 to \$7.00 per person, [because it will be an individual rate, not a group rate. Those who belong to a subscribing Concordant Body will continue to receive the paper, regardless]. To insure your continued receipt of the *Masonic Times* after the December issue, it would be best to contact the Lodge Secretary.

Repair work

During the Summer the front panels in the Lodge room were painted. The roof is now good for twenty-five years, but some "cove" were for only ten. Time flies and this failed on us last Winter. It has been replaced and the whole South outside wall refurbished. The dance studio floors were sealed again and are also in good shape.

Official Visit

Our DDGM, R. W. William Lindsay, has announced his Official Visit for November 14th. The Lodge needs someone to sit in the Senior Warden's chair and do the job for the evening. If you could do this and help us out that evening, please call the Secretary.

Good seeing you!

Brother Mel Doverspike used GPS and found his way out of Pennsylvania the weekend of August 12th and 13th. His mission was to cook the chicken for the Eastern Star. It was good to see Mel and Sandy, if only for a little while.

As we are about to start the Fall season, we urge all Brothers to attend Lodge the 2nd Tuesday evenings of each month and show your support for Masonry in Brockport and the new officers.

Condolences

We are saddened to report the passing of Brother John Roland Prince in Hamlin on August 9th. He was raised on March 27, 1951 and has been a member of our Lodge for 49 years. The Altar will be draped in his memory. We shall miss him. Our thoughts are with his family at this time of sorrow and great loss. □

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

Greetings, Brethren

I hope you all had a pleasant and safe Summer. It's hard to believe it's over already! It's time to head back to the quarries again and we'll start with a business meeting on September 19th. We'll bring everyone up to date on where we stand with our merger with Fame Lodge. As usual, we will have a Pot Luck Supper, starting at 6:30 p.m.

Super delicious!

For those of you who missed it, YOU MISSED IT!! We had a great time at the Annual Corn and Sausage Roast. Thanks to Heinz and Olga Gunkel, who hosted the party and Tom Soanes and all the others who helped. The food was super delicious and the corn was the best I had all season. Thanks again, Heinz and Olga.

Special mailing

Due to uncertain timing of the merger activity, it's hard to predict a Fall schedule. Right now, if something comes up, we will have a special mailing to keep everybody informed. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call one of your Lodge officers.

Last, but not least, Happy Birthday to all the Brothers with September birthdays!

See you in Lodge. □

ETOLIAN

Lodge No. 479

133 South Union St.
Spencerport, N.Y. 14559



W. John E.
Dyer
Master
477-6375

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

W. Michael G. Schwartz
Secretary
352-4016

It's that time of year again to bring our designs out and put them to work. We have had a long and busy Summer, and I will try not to leave anything out.

Summer events

On June 19th, we had our Annual Picnic at Pineway Ponds. It was well attended by 85 Brothers and family members. Special thanks to Brothers Karl-Heinz Reich and Art McMichael for their work in preparing a feast fit for a king!

Lodge Clean-Up Day was attended by 10 Brothers. We cleaned the Blue Room and kitchen, painted the stairs up to the second and third floors and put up a new flag on the building.

Grand Lodge Scholarships were awarded to 4 of the Lodge's family members on July 22nd. Congratulations to all recipients and their families.

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On the 29th and 30th of July, we served Pancake Breakfasts at Canal Town Days. 131 breakfasts were served by 11 Brothers and 2 family members. I must apologize to all who participated, I spent most of the weekend sick in bed and was unable to help out.

R.W. Jay McCullough and his wife went on a dinner cruise on the Harbor Town Belle with Hiram Chapter, RAM. A great time was had by all. Is this something the Lodge would be interested in doing?

The Lester C. Merz Towpath Park was dedicated on August 13th. A great honor for one of our long time Brothers and former Mayor of Spencerport.

Condolences

It becomes my sad duty to announce the passing of Brother Ken Tucker on June 6th. A Memorial Service was held at the United Methodist Church in North Chili.

September dates

There will be an Officers Meeting on September 7th at 7:00 p.m.

At 5:30 p.m. on September 11th is our Annual Steak Roast. Please contact Brother Jim Toogood at 594-2189 for reservations.

September 21st is the High 12 Luncheon.

September 25th is the 1st Degree.

On September 30th at 1:00 p.m., we will be giving the DeWitt Clinton Award to a prominent Village resident. Details will follow in the next article.

Moving into the 21st Century

At our last communication in June, I proposed to the Lodge that Etolian should have its own web site. The purpose of the site would be to communicate to our out-of-town Brothers, to other Lodges and to the community, about our Lodge and Freemasonry. Other Lodges in the Monroe District already have web sites, as does Grand Lodge. We will be discussing this concept more in the upcoming months, and I would love to hear the thoughts of some of our out-of-town or shut-in Brothers about this. Things to consider are, do we want a web site? What do we want to say in the site? Do we want to register the site so anyone can search for it?

If you can't attend communications, please feel free to call, send me e-mail (john.dyer@kodak.com) or send a letter to the Lodge.

Etolian Past Masters Congregate



W.s Richard Kessler, James Baker, Michael Schwartz, R.W. Edward Gillott, R.W. Donald Darrohn, W.s Tom Michielson, John Dyer (current Master), R.W. Ruel Lovett and R.W. Jay McCullough. (Photo courtesy Jay McCullough)

Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge No. 1088

W. Kenneth W. Ratliff, Master
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1st & 3rd Tuesdays
7:30 P.M.

C. William Flemming, Secretary
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Rochester, New York 14612

Editor's Award for Lodge News Articles

This has been selected as an example of a concise, well written contribution from a first-time author.

Well, Summer is coming to an end and it is time for us to resume labor. I'm not much of an article writer, but here we go.

On June 6th we had Installation of Officers. It was an open meeting and we had a great turnout. I thank R.W. Chuck Simpson for being Installing Master and W. Tom Grape for being the Installing Marshal. Great job, guys, thanks a lot!

I congratulate our 3 new Grand Lodge Officers: R.W. Clifford Short, Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.W. James De Lorenzo, Grand Steward, and R.W. R. Keith Stambach, AGL.

On June 20th, we had a 3rd Degree for Michael Houston, who was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason. Michael's father was in attendance for this event. Thank you to Charlotte/Corinthian Past Masters Degree Team. Great job, guys!

On August 29th we had a School of Ritual at Wakan/Hubbard Lodge No. 154. Results will be posted in the October Masonic Times.

September

On Tuesday, September 5th, we will have a Welcome Back Meeting and Sports Shirt Night. The one with the loudest shirt or ugliest sports shirt will win the prizes.

I hope you all had a safe and enjoyable Summer, and I hope to see everyone in Lodge.

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

It's almost time to begin!

Greetings, Brothers. I hope this nice, cool Summer finds you well. I hope that on the rainy days you have given some thought to your Lodge and Masonry, in general. If you have any suggestions, don't hesitate to call me. I have received several calls over the Summer and I am working on their implementation.

This Summer my wife was trying to turn me into a gardener. She had me working the soil and planting various seeds, plants, shrubs and trees. I am finding that I like it. It is very rewarding to plant some tiny seeds, give them some water, and watch them grow. Some grow seemingly by themselves, while others need some tender loving care. It was worth the work, as the blooms and foliage are beautiful.

The same process is occurring in Seneca Lodge. We are working the soil and planting seeds for its continued success. We are planting some new social activities in hopes that they will flourish and grow. We are strengthening our heritage so that we may remember how it was done in the 'old days' and the successes since forgotten can be resurrected. We are planting some new Masonic topics that should become perennial. With your help and tending, we, as a Lodge, should have a bountiful harvest.

We had a great time at our Annual Steak Roast on August 26th. It was held at the Damascus Shrine Temple, and the covered pavilion certainly was wonderful.

September

Our Lodge year starts September 12th with the History and Heritage of Frank R. Lawrence Lodge No. 797. R.W. Fred Bellucio and W. Jim Cooper have been working (and whittling) on a great presentation so all may know of our past accomplishments. Please plan to attend, as this will be a great event.

September also brings us a Dinner Cruise on the Erie Canal. Details are being finalized, but don't forget this evening of fun.

October

Our October meeting on the 10th will be the History and Heritage of Seneca Lodge No. 920, presented by R.W. Stephen R. Whittaker. This will be an opportunity to discover many of the lost stories and personalities of Seneca Lodge.

On the social calendar, October brings us to our Ladies Night. This will be an evening at a local restaurant where we will pay tribute to our ladies for indulging us in our Masonic endeavors. Details will follow.

November

We will have an open meeting in November for the purpose of discussing the present and future of Seneca Lodge No. 797. After our "history lessons" in September and October, this will be an opportune time to discuss, without the confines of a formal meeting, any thoughts and ideas that will lead Seneca into the future in good stead. This will be an important meeting, please be there on the 14th.

Socially, November brings us to the Seneca Tea. This is an open house type affair that will be an opportunity to celebrate in grand style.

December

We will have a Roll Call Lodge in December. Sometime in late Fall you will receive a questionnaire. Please fill it out so it can be read by proxy in Lodge as to your whereabouts, activities and life status. Better yet, come to Lodge and give your report in person. That way you can partake in the resurrected 'Egg Nog Night', with the special concoction prepared by Brother Jack Phillips in the ??? memorial bowl. It promises to be a night to remember, (or forget, if the stories of the Egg Nog are true).

As always, Breakfast with Santa will be held in December, with a pancake breakfast.

These are a few of the "seeds" that are to be planted in Seneca Lodge this year. I hope, with your help, they will take root and flourish.

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

A very warm, Fraternal greeting to all Brothers of Northfield Lodge, their families and the widows of our dearly departed Brothers. This is the second time in my Masonic career I have the honor of serving as your Master. I am looking forward to another year of fellowship, fun, and working together to make our community a better place to live.

The Installation of Officers was held on Thursday, July 20th, at the Lodge. In attendance was R.W. William Lindsay, DDGM, who gave the Charges to the Wardens and the Master. He was accompanied by R.W. R. Keith Stambach, V.W. Dan Walker did a fine job as Installing Master, and W. Russ VanDeGriff did an equally good job as Marshal. Thanks to R.W. Marty Reitz for playing the organ, and to all who helped make this year's Installation a great success.

Strawberry Festival

Our Annual Strawberry Festival was held on Thursday, June 22nd, and was a smashing success. We had around 200 hungry people join us. A very big thanks to our JW, Dean Smith, for working so hard to put this event together. I also thank my son, Ben, for sitting in as cashier, and his sweetheart, Danielle, for helping out. Thanks to Don and Billie Smith, Bill Spillane and his daughters, Samantha and Chrystal, Doug Charles, Cecily, Amy, Dick Trolly, Pedro Ugalde and his father, and all others who made it possible.

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Blood Drive

August 29th will be the day of the Annual Red Cross Blood Drive from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Supplies are very low and your donation would be greatly appreciated.

New Secretary

I thank R.W. William Spillane for filling the vacancy of Secretary. We all know this position is a lot of work, but I am sure he will do a fine job and we will be there to support him in every way.

Expect a call!

The JW, Dean Smith, has his Calling Committee in place, so you can expect a call from time to time to keep you posted on upcoming events and just to see how you are doing. Brother Dean's phone number is 586-9298, in case you would like to inquire about an event or bring something to the Lodge's attention.

Nice job!

One of our newer members, Pedro Ugalde, delivered three new petitions to the Lodge. Nice job, Pedro!

Reminder

Officer's meetings will be held the 4th Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. Your input is important, so come and share.

That's all for now. We have seen some familiar faces at Lodge, that's a good thing. Don't be afraid to come to the meetings even if you haven't been there in a while.

CLIO

LODGE No. 779



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7:30 P.M.

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Can you believe it? Summer is almost over! Work in the quarries will commence again beginning with our first communication, September 19th.

The Annual Blood Drive was a great success, with the coordinating efforts of SW, Gordie Smith. What a great cause to support the community.

September

The first meeting will be September 19th at 7:30 p.m. Show your support and join us for this interesting meeting: "Lodge of Confusion".

Our first Spaghetti Dinner of the year will be September 27th. Please put this on your calendar to help in this event. Many hands make lighter work, from cooking, setting up table, to clean up. It is great fellowship.

Treasurer

David Goodrich, DSA, has graciously volunteered to take over the interim position of Treasurer. This office was held by Brother Richard Pickett, until his recent untimely death. Please give your support to Brother David and also consideration of the office, if so interested.

September birthdays

Dana Daniels, James McAttee, Harold McClain, Douglas

Arnold, Francis Hand, Douglas F. Wright and Douglas W DeHollander.

Closing

The new year will be productive and enjoyable. Your presence is always appreciated and encouraged. A few hours a month is not much to ask for the return of the friendship gained and to the support of the Fraternity.

Moved?

We have received many of the Annual Summons Communications back. Not only it is costly to the Lodge and a nightmare to the Secretary, we are losing contact with our most valuable resource—YOU. Please contact the Secretary with any change in address or phone number. You may not be able to attend the meetings, but we sorely miss knowing that we are not in touch.

Car broken?

Don't like to drive at night? Need to get out of the house for some good fellowship, see old friends, or meet the new Brothers? If you ever need transportation in order to attend, please call to arrange transportation.

Wakan/Hubbard

Lodge No. 154



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

W. Theodore J. Snyder, Sec.
467-0165

W. Donald C. Bell, Asst. Sec.
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1822 Penfield Rd.
Penfield, N.Y. 14528

Now that the lights are back on in the Lodge, it is time for us to return to our labor. I hope everyone had a nice Summer and didn't get flooded out.

Condolences

The Lodge was again saddened with the passing of W. Ansel Shubert's daughter in July. Our hearts go out to you, Ansel.

September

I have been very busy with meetings with the new DDGM and Staff Officers.

The Lodge's second meeting in September will be our 1st Degree with three candidates. The officers hope to see you there to greet these new Brothers.

Our Fellowcraft Steak Roast was a great success in August.

Union Star

Lodge No. 320

3 N. Main St.
Honeoye Falls, NY

W. John H. Williams
Master
533-1188

2nd Mon.
7:30 P.M.



Robert Sweeney, Sec.
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38 Cullens Run, Pittsford, 14534

Progress is being made in the rehabilitation of the chairs and benches in our Lodge room. Work crews have been busy every

week from June through August, mostly on Friday mornings. We have removed most all of the old springs and mohair cushions and we will be installing all new cushion seats.

Our Festival on the Green on Father's Day weekend was successful in spite of being rained out on Sunday. Special thanks to Brother Jerry Wiedemann, who had charge of this event and to all of the others who helped with the work that was done, including setting up and manning the booth.

At our September 11th meeting we will be presenting additional Service Awards. It is hoped that the following Brothers will be able to attend and be recog-



Donald Brugger, Governor of Genesee York Rite College No. 25, presenting Brother Paul Kober with the York Rite College Gold Honor Award for service to the Fraternity.



W. Raymond DiJames presenting a plaque to Brother Bill Fay in appreciation for his musical contribution in the Lodge.

Wakan/Hubbard 2000 - 2001 Officers



(l-r) Bros. Michael Robinson-Sr. MC, Joseph Oelgoetz III-Sr. Dec., Bill Fay-Org., W. Richard Brockmann-Mar., Bros. Steven Xander-JW, Steven Clapperton-Stwd., Bill Cobb-Jr. Dec., W. Gordon Ball-Master, Bros. Elwood Kain-Stwd., Steven Maynard-SW, R.W. Charles Spiegel, Jr.-Chap./Adv., W. Theodore Snyder-Sec., Bros. Ernest Swan, Sr.-Jr. MC, and W. Angelo DiCataldo D.S.A. (not pictured) R.W. Wayne Slack-Tiler & W. Don Bell - Asst. Sec./Adv. (Photos Mike Robinson)

nized for their extended service to the Craft: Harold Schwartz, Francis Fitzgerald and Franklyn White, 40 years; Richard Judge, and Leslie Sackett, 45 years; Herman Lilley, 50 years; Leland Ruby and Harvey Closs, 60 years.

These Brothers have already received their Service Certificates; Robert Norget and Robert Harnish, 60 years; Arthur Steele, 50 years; Jackson Valley, 45 years; and Howard Stanley, 40 years.

Our Fellowcraft Club will be meeting on September 25th at 7:00 p.m. Come join us in our discussions on Lodge improvements. We will be needing some help from any of our Brothers who can lay tile or linoleum in our bathrooms or any who can help with cement work on some of our Lodge steps or foundations.

Official Visit

The Official Visit of our District Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bill Lindsay, will be at our October 9th meeting. Let's have a good turnout to hear his message from the Grand Master.

History

Grand Lodge has requested that all Lodges prepare a historical write-up on their Lodges and Lodge buildings for future publication. We would appreciate all information and input that would help us to record our history.

October dates

We will have a Brother Bring-a-Friend Night on October 23rd. Please consider which of your friends, relatives or co-workers might be interested in the Masons so that they can be invited to join us on this evening to learn more about our Craft.

Mark your calendars now for the Grand Lecturer's Convention, which will be held on October 13th at Fairport Lodge. The starting time is 7:30 p.m., but be a little early to sign in. The Convention is open to all Master Masons, but in order to be eligible for the Howard Potts Award, we will need our top seven officers in attendance. They are the Master, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, both Deacons and both Masters of Ceremony.

FAIRPORT

Lodge No. 476



W. Thomas G. Goodrich,
Master
383-1429

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

W. George R. Bracht, Secretary
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17 South Main St.
Fairport, N.Y. 14450

First, I thank those who have given me the opportunity to once again serve Fairport Lodge as Master for the ensuing year. I congratulate our newly elected and installed officers, and ask all of you Brothers to remember that our line officers are not just men in quest for a seat in the East. Look upon them as a very important line; our Lodge's life line to the future. They have, of their own free will, volunteered to dedicate their time, energy and hard work to benefit the advancement of our Lodge and insure its place in the future. For their commitment, I beg of you to give your support.

Our Annual Meeting, Election of Officers and our proposed

District Deputy Grand Master

Genesee/Wyoming



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

Positive District news

Summer is about over and it's time to get back to work. We have some very positive news from the District.

Congratulations to the Brothers in Batavia on their sponsoring of a DeMolay Chapter. I think they have 25 boys signed up.

The second bit of news is that we now have enough Brothers to form a Masonic War Vets Post in the District. The first organizational meeting will be December 1st. The time and place will be announced later. For membership you have to be a Mason and have an Honorable Discharge.

Brotherhood Fund

The Brotherhood Drive will soon be under way. Congratulations to the Brothers from the District for raising \$6,255.50 which is \$716.50 above 1999. Our participation was only 33.2%, which is 5% above the State average. This is not good enough as it means that 33.2% are carrying the load for everyone. Let's get that percentage up this year and show the rest of the State that we care.

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programs, together with our Lodge calendar for the upcoming year, will be sent to you via a direct mailing from the Lodge in the form of a newsletter.

On June 26th, our meeting was preceded by a Steak Dinner to pay tribute to those who worked so hard making our Annual Fairport Canal Days Food Booth a financial success. Again from the East, thank you Brothers, for your hard work.

Upcoming events

September 18th-The officers and I have scheduled a Bring-a-Friend Night. As the time draws near, more information will be forthcoming. For now, we all should know how they work, and that they only work with your participation. Mark your calendar. This should insure ample time to involve possible candidates in our 1st Degree, scheduled for October 23rd.

October 13th-Fairport Lodge will host the Grand Lecturer's Convention. This is a Friday evening program, preceded by a dinner. As this will be attended by every Lodge in the District, let's not only show how great our building and facilities have come to be, but that our membership and fellowship have kept stride as well. Besides, we want to earn the Howard Potts Award for attendance.

I look forward to seeing you in Lodge.

Masonic Activities

The attendance at the last Council of Masonic Activities meeting was very bad. Every Lodge in the District should have someone at these meetings. For the Council to work, we need all your support. The next meeting will be October 6th at 6:30 p.m. in Arcade, with a dinner. Please be there.

Assistant Grand Lecturer

Genesee/Wyoming Dist.



V.W. Rodney B. Diker
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I send my warmest greetings to all Brothers, Officers and Masters of the Lodges in the Genesee/Wyoming District. As the newly appointed Assistant Grand Lecturer, I look forward to serving you.

My phone number and e-mail address are posted at the heading of this article. Please use them. I am here to help and serve all Brothers in whatever capacity that may be requested of me.

Official Visit

Excitement and anticipation best describe my feelings about this coming term. Very shortly I will be contacting each Master to set a date for my Official Visit. I will do my best to set a date convenient to your busy schedule, as well as mine. Let's all work towards an outstanding year.

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

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2nd & 4th
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As I trust each of you know by now, I have the distinct privilege of serving your Lodge for the ensuing year. As this is a repeat for me, I ask you to bear with me as I once again get my duties in order. For beginners, the other evening, while relaxing after a hard day's work, I received a call from the Secretary informing me that I should prepare the article for this publication. This was a 'wake up call' for me!

In any event, by the time you read this, another realization-Summer will be almost over. I trust each of you had a very pleasant and enjoyable Summer season. One of the Lodge functions that was to be scheduled for the Summer was a picnic on August 12th. Due to scheduling and other conflicts, I must apologize for the fact that we did not hold this event.

DeMolay

An item of extreme importance and interest is that during the Summer Brother Ralph Goodberlet spent a good deal of

time and effort in making DeMolay come alive here in Batavia once again. The Charles L. Carter Chapter of DeMolay has the full support of Batavia Lodge and its Brethren, along with several other Lodges and Brethren from within the District.

An Open House of DeMolay will be held at the Batavia Masonic Temple on Sunday, September 16th. This will provide information for adults, and more importantly, for the potential young men who will become part of this organization. It has been approximately twenty years since the demise of this Chapter, so needless to say, we are very excited and enthused to see this organization become active once again. We ask you to please watch for more information and also ask each of you for your support.

Hot Dog Stand

On September 21st, 22nd, and 23rd, Batavia Lodge, along with the young men from DeMolay and the young ladies of the Rainbow Assembly, will be manning the Hot Dog Stand at the Jubilee Store in Batavia. If you can assist us in this endeavor, please call the Secretary or me. If you cannot assist with working, please do stop by and purchase a 'hot dog and pop'. See you there.

Reminder

Our first communication of the Season will be held on Tuesday, September 12th at 8:00 p.m. At the second communication on September 26th, we will have the Official Visit of the District Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Raymond G. Barber. He will present the Grand Master's Message. Please attend this important communication for your benefit and the good of the Lodge. There will be a dinner at a local establishment prior to the communication. Details are still in the planning stage. If you would like to join the DDGM, Staff Officer, and your fellow Brethren for dinner, please call the Secretary at 548-7148 or me at 548-9958. Reservations will be necessary on or before Wednesday, September 20th.

I do not have anything to report relating to those who may need our aid or anyone who is presently under the weather. I ask each of you to let the Secretary know if you know of someone who we should include in this list. Until next month-God Bless.

HESPERUS Lodge No. 837

1st and 3rd Thursday



Master
W. Norman P. Austin
494-2223

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

September is here and another Summer is once again nearly at its close. Does it seem possible that it is time to return to our labors? I hope each of you and your families had an enjoyable Summer. Our first meeting this Fall will be on September 7th at 7:30 p.m.

New Officers

The following is a list of the Officers of Hesperus Lodge who were installed on Sunday, June 3rd. The ladies of the Eastern Star prepared a delicious Meat-

loaf Dinner, which preceded the Installation.

Master W. Norman P. Austin
SW Marshall B. Krause
JW Ralph Marsecci
Treas. W. Kenneth J. Barons
Sec. W. John A. Specht
Trustee W. John C. Cooper
Chaplain R.W. Robert G. Seils
SD Donald J. Mattice
JD Ronald W. Morris
SMC Harry L. Tyson
JMC Gilbert F. Ernst
Stewards James A. Hicks
Christopher J. MacConnell

Marshal R.W. Holden P. Miller
Organist Chet Banach
Tiler R.W. John W. Bater

I attended the Installation of Officers on June 7th at a combined Installation of West Star and Attica Lodges at Attica Lodge and on June 20th a combined Installation of Warsaw and Oakland Lodges at Warsaw. Both these Installations were conferred by members of the Genesee/Wyoming Purple Apron Club, whose stellar ritualistic abilities still astound me.

Molly

The Travelling Trophy has been languishing in our Lodge room over the Summer, eagerly anticipating a change of scenery. She sends her wishes to any Brothers who care to rescue her from her current predicament!

Official Visit

The Official Visit of DDGM R.W. Ray Barber and his Staff Officer, R.W. Arthur Drew, will be on Thursday, November 2nd. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Reservations are to be made with Brother Ralph Marsocci at 494-1525.

Good time

The Annual Hesperus Steak Roast Picnic was held at Brother Marty Krause's cottage on Silver Lake. A great time was had by all.

Condolences

It is my sad duty to report the passing to the Great Architect of the Universe on July 16th, one of Hesperus Lodge's longest standing members, Brother Walter W. Hoffmann. Brother Hoffmann, who was 96 years old and a member for over 74 years, was raised in Hesperus Lodge on April 25, 1926. He passed away at the home of his daughter in Durham, N.C.

65th Reunion!

On July 21st, W. Harold DeBrine attended his 65th High School Reunion of Williamson Central School. Two of the teachers also attended; one is 98 years old and the other is 92 years old. Quite an accomplishment!

Oktoberfest

On Saturday, October 14th, Bergen will be holding its Annual Oktoberfest. The main street will be closed to traffic and lined with vendors. Hesperus Lodge will sponsor a Chicken Bar-B-Que.

Grand Lecturer

Friday, October 27th, will be the Grand Lecturer's Convention. We hope for a great turnout. Can we receive the Potts Award two consecutive years?

Please check your dues card to see if it is current for 2000. If not, please pay your dues as soon as possible. October hints at being a busy month, stay tuned for more information.

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Scottish Rite NEWS

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Degrees

"Why Scottish Rite Degrees" is a question that is as important as "What's in it for me?" It is a question every Mason should ask. In attempting to answer the question I find myself re-invigorated with the spirit that made me want to become a Mason in the first place. I'd like to share some of that thought process with you now.

We all know that the 3rd Degree is the highest Degree in all of Masonry. There is no Degree above the 3rd, but the 3rd Degree begs further investigation, both in terms of time for consideration and details of content. There are many other lessons to be learned from more advanced or in-depth study. Concordant Bodies, namely the York and Scottish Rites, offer the opportunity for those so inclined to learn those lessons. Such study adds to the individual's understanding of the great lessons upon which Masonry is based.

In the Scottish Rite we present our Degrees generally in theatrical form. This approach uses symbolism and allegory to visually reinforce the verbal lessons being presented. By relating time and place we can put a lesson in an historical context which can be

more easily understood and remembered. This procedure is consistent with universal methods within Masonry of employing symbolism to convey lessons more powerfully than the spoken or written word alone.

One of the purposes of our Scottish Rite Degrees is to give us a perspective on the historical values and standards of conduct represented in different philosophies, religions and codes of ethics. By understanding the significance of the impact of individual morals on the outcomes of events in the past, we can better discover the principles that we can employ to guide our personal lives now and in the future. The principles embodied in our Degrees are as enduring and true today as they have always been throughout recorded history.

The moral truths that prevailed in ancient times are just as valid, just as imperative today in the 21st Century as they have ever been. On moral truth is based our belief in freedom as the guide for our civilization in operating all of its institutions. Our Degrees are uplifting and give us optimism for the future by renewing our faith in God, in man, and in the system of values we practice.

Our Scottish Rite Degrees provide further examples of those social and civic ideals that were just implied in the Craft Lodge Degrees. They are a significant part of the reason Freemasonry has been a major force for enlightenment, freedom and social progress in the world.

In the last century we saw example after example of dictators persecuting Freemasonry. Why? Because they knew that tyrannical rule is threatened wherever the thoughts, ethics, and reasoning of Freemasons exist.

Freemasonry is a compelling and conquering force as revealed in the Scottish Rite Degrees. We are a foe of intolerance, fanaticism and superstition. We are, and have been, a consistent supporter of

freedom of thought, religion, and government. In this way, Scottish Rite Masonry has been the instructional arm of the Craft. We are the University of Freemasonry interpreting the symbols and allegories of Masonry in the light of philosophy and history as we tell the stories bearing on the ethical and moral lessons we take from significant episodes in history.

The Scottish Rite Degrees apply the doctrines of Freemasonry to the every day dilemmas we must experience and confront. They teach us to put into practice the lessons learned in the Craft Lodge.

The Scottish Rite is organized like a great army serving to remind us of the many diversions we must overcome and the opponents to our principles that must be confronted, repelled and defeated. By participating in Degree work we, individually, can learn more of the lessons being presented. By applying those lessons to our daily lives we can make our influence felt for the principles of free thought, free government, free education and free religion. By living our lives in accordance with the lessons learned we can be militant foes of intolerance, bigotry, and ignorance in all their forms. If we do these things, we will personally know what the Scottish Rite is all about. □

Dinner

There will be a Roast Beef Dinner prior to the meeting on Thursday, September 21st, at 5:30 p.m. The cost is \$5.00 per member. Call the Scottish Rite Office at 271-0715 for reservations by September 18th.



Paul Gleason, wearing his new "Red Cap," with wife, Dottie.



Paul Gleason, MSA, received his Meritorious Service Award "Red Cap" from Mat Gingold, MSA, at the N.Y. Council of Deliberation at Syracuse. (Photos courtesy Vern Goodrich)

Grand Master

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Masonic Hall and Home Trustees, and several professional members of our Fraternity will be focusing on our image and ways to have the Masonic Fraternity showcased in positive, proactive programs.

The Committee on Lodges and Buildings, as you have learned during the training on Friday, has already begun to gather data to be used in helping our Lodges. We must all change our mindset at times to insure that the Fraternity is brought forward, even if some of our personal opinions must be left by the roadside. Quality with Public Relations and quality in all our Lodges and buildings is paramount to success.

Quality Presentation of Ritual

Quality programs in the Lodges, and quality presentations of our Ritual to new members are driving forces in membership development and retention. New incentives will be tried in order to turn around our membership.

Our Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention program has gained much notoriety since its inception. This program will be expanded through the National Masonic Foundation for Children to include seminars to cer-

tify teachers in the recognition of drug and alcohol behavioral patterns in young children.

The Leadership and Educational Services Committee has provided us with quality programs for our Officers and membership. I would encourage all Districts to offer the training to any member of the staff who has the interest. Educated members are our most valuable assets. Help is only a phone call away should the need arise.

All of us together can and will bring the Fraternity to a brighter, more vibrant organization in the new millennium, an organization proactive, creative and supported by brotherly love and affection, the true foundation of our Fraternity.

Grand Lodge Fund

The Grand Lodge Fund has helped several of our Brethren and some Lodges that were in financial difficulty. It is our obligation, my Brethren, to assist needy Brothers when called upon. Work is under way in an attempt to make this fund a 501-C-3, and that in itself may be a Herculean effort. The old Irish prayer, "God help me to change the things I cannot accept, accept the things I cannot change, and the ability to distinguish between the two," is most applicable.

The Grand Lodge wishes to express our sincere "thank you" to the Trustees of the Masonic Hall and Home, Directors of the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory, and the Trustees of the Livingston Library for their professional approach to the image and growth of our Great Fraternity.

My Brethren, it will only be through your God-given talents, your skill and ability, and through the efforts of all of our members that we remain a viable, successful institution and that we remain in our rightful place in today's society.

May the Great Architect of the Universe fulfill all of your dreams and aspirations, and bless our families, our beloved country and our illustrious Fraternity. God Bless you. □

Save the Date!

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M.W.: Carl J. Smith
Guest Speaker

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York Rite NEWS

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District Deputy Grand High Priest

Royal Arch Masons
29th Capital District



R.E. Stephen Licht

Our Summer has been filled with many, and various, Masonic activities and I hope you have enjoyed participating in them. I was a guest at the combined picnic of LeRoy and Three Times Three Chapters, and was treated to a chorus of "Happy Birthday", led by our "all German orchestra"! The Royal Arch Cruise on Keuka Lake, that generated revenue for Royal Arch Charities, proved again that rain could not dampen our spirits, only our clothes!

Successful endeavor

Our Second Annual Steak Roast is now history. I hope our Grand High Priest enjoyed his cut of beef! Over 65 Companions and ladies made reservations. I sincerely hope that this becomes a tradition in our District, a project spearheaded by the DDGHP during his term of office. Each new DDGHP can put his own ideas into the event, making changes and improvements to prevent an annual event from becoming stale and lack-luster.

At the Steak Roast, plans were announced for our Fall District Meeting, where we will discuss nominations for the next DDGHP and Assistant Grand Lecturer. The Right Excellent Companions make the final nomination, but the input of all Companions is welcomed at this time.

Wear your Medical Research Pins

R.E. Walter Hilsenbeck, Grand Royal Arch Captain, and his wife, Rev. Juanita, will be visiting Arcade Chapter on Monday, October 9th. A dinner is planned prior to the Convocation, and Rev. Juanita Hilsenbeck will present a program to the ladies. The High Priest and Secretary of Arcade Chapter will have more details in the October issue of the *Times*, but mark your calendars! I suggest that all Companions wear your Royal Arch Medical Research Lab pins, as R.E. Hilsenbeck will certainly notice the overwhelming support our District has given this project.

Ritual work

I have officially visited each Chapter at least once and the required reports have been filed with our Grand High Priest. At the Official Visit to Orleans Chapter, I was gratified to see the number of Companions who participated in the evening. The

ritual of opening and closing observed indicates that each Chapter has room for improvement. I believe the capability is there. The infrequency of the opening of a Chapter has a direct effect on proficiency. Translated into plain English: if you don't open, your Ritual work gets sloppy.

Our Grand High Priest informed me that he is planning a visit to the District this Fall and hold the Convocation in LeRoy Chapter. Plans are being made for this event. A dinner will precede the Convocation. Full information will be disseminated when the plans are finalized.

I know of at least one candidate for Western Star Chapter, and all ritualists are hereby notified that we will be doing Degree work shortly! Break out those little red books and brush up! See you around the Triangular Altar.

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



E. Edward Gillott
High Priest - 594-8247
E. Karl-Heinz Reich,
Secretary - 426-6836
133 S. Union Street
Spencerport, N.Y. 14559

2nd Tue.
7:30 p.m.

Companions

The first meeting for the Fall season will be held on September 12th at 7:30 p.m. I look forward to seeing everyone again after our Summer break. E. Garry Hutcherson informs me that LeRoy Chapter No. 183 is ready with many candidates eager to take the Degrees this Fall. We have been asked to assist in conferring these Degrees, so I, in turn, am advising everyone to brush up on their Ritual work and be ready when the time comes.

Picnic time

The Annual Picnic, held jointly with LeRoy Chapter No. 183 and Three Times Three Chapter No. 333, was held on June 27th and attended by 23 Companions and family members. The evening drew cool at the Bergen Town Park, however, fun prevailed with music supplied by R.E. Karl Reich at the keyboard. We departed with the anticipation of next year's get-together.

The 29th Capital District Steak Roast was August 23rd at Kiwanis Park on Route 5. The cost was only \$10 per person. Advance notices of this event were sent out.

Congratulations

As High Priest of Three Times Three Chapter, I am pleased to announce the good news that a \$500 Royal Arch Scholarship has been awarded to Miss Chantelle M. Thibault, daughter of Companion Lawrence Thibault. On behalf of the Chapter, I extend our congratulations to Chantelle and our wishes for a very successful and rewarding school year.

There have been many Scholarships granted to members of

our Chapter in the past, and it is only through our continued support of the Royal Arch Scholarship Fund that these are possible. In the course of our everyday lives, we are often approached for contributions for the needs and benefits of others, not knowing if they ever reach their intended purposes or are just paying salaries for created positions. It is certainly reassuring to know that the Royal Arch Scholarship Fund is working and assisting our young people in defraying the costs of their much required and important education.

A thought to ponder

A Creed

There is a destiny that makes us Brothers,
None goes his way alone:
All that we send into the lives of others
Comes back into our own.
I care not what his temples or his creeds,
One thing holds firm and fast--
That into his fateful heap of days and deeds
The soul of a man is cast.
(From *Brotherhood Poems* by Edwin Markham)

Hiram Chapter No. 62



No. 62

2nd & 4th

Thursdays

E. John A. Dudley, High Priest
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Richard J. Oliver, Secretary
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Rochester, N.Y. 14605

At the last meeting before our Summer break, R.E. Paul Josephson gave us our directions for his year as District Deputy. Improving meeting attendance and improved Degree work throughout our District and the State, were the basics of his speech. Many of us from Hiram have already visited Dansville Chapter this year and hope to continue visiting both Dansville and other Chapters.

Picnic

Our Summer Picnic at Henrietta Town Park on June 8th was once again a success. We had a good showing and excellent food to be shared. Thanks to Dennis Gellasch for heading it up and to Doug Koenig, Bar-B-Que chef. It was very nice to have Tyler Gellasch, one of our Scholarship winners, with us again this year to receive his check. Crystal Roberts was unable to be present and her check was mailed to her. Congratulations and best wishes to both of these fine young people.

Summer event

Our main Summer event was captained by R.E. Gerald Jones and his Lady, Elizabeth. We sailed from Charlotte out onto Lake Ontario and into Irondequoit Bay. It was truly a delightful evening and the weather cooperated until after we had docked. The meal was excellent and enjoyed by all. Just to make sure it was ok, I went through the line twice! Thanks again, Gerald and Lady Elizabeth, for an excellent Summer event.

District Picnic

The 27th Capital District Picnic was held at Kuehne's, near Naples, on a cool and windy August 6th, but the friendship that flowed was warm and sunny. The food, as usual, was excellent. M.E. Dale Tynan and Lady, Nancy, R.E.'s Donald Lounsberry, his Lady, Barbara and David Stoy and his Lady, Sandy, attended the Picnic. Lady Kay Kuehne gave fun and informative golf cart tours of their property and surrounding areas.

Mystery!

One very well deserved Apron is still waiting to be presented. Come to the September 14th meeting and see who the recipient will be!

Degrees

We have one petition for Fall Degrees: September 28, MMM and PM; October 12th MEM; and October 26th, HRA. Please turn in your petitions so we can have more than one candidate for the Degrees.

For all who have not received the Yellow Dog, you can receive yours along with M.E. Dale Tynan, who will receive the Degree in Skaneateles in the Fall. Date and time have not yet been set. If you would like to attend, please give me a call at 586-6426 for more details.

Canadian visit

Dennis Gellasch and I will be finalizing the Canadian visit for the weekend of October 28th. We hope to have a great turnout to support our Canadian Companions. When we visited them two years ago, a great time was had by all and with the value of the Canadian dollar, the weekend is fairly inexpensive.

Scotland

Companions M.E. Arnold Palmer and E. Bruce Horncastle will be visiting Scotland and will glean some Masonic history and Ritual. We will try to save a meeting to hear all about it.

Other news

Bill Lindsay and Dennis Gellasch are planning their upcoming years.

There is good news from Glen Ide. He and his wife, while not fully recovered, are on the mend. Glen expects to be back in Chapter in September.

Vern Goodrich still needs assistance in cleaning and repairing the medical equipment at the Masonic Service Bureau. Please give Vern or Don a call if you can help out.

If you have an e-mail address that Hiram Chapter could use to contact you, please send it to: JohnAlanDudley@aol.com.



R.E. Paul Josephson, District Deputy GHP, at work.



Seven ala-cart - Nancy and M.E. Dale Tynan, Sandy and R.E. Dave Stoy, Barbara and R.E. Don Lounsberry, and Kay Kuehne at the wheel.
(Photos courtesy John Dudley)

Assistant Grand Lecturer 8th Cryptic District

V.L. Ruel
R. Lovett
494-2546



My Companions

The Grand Lecturer, R.L. William Zufall, has chosen Wednesday, October 25th, as the date for the Grand Lecturer's Convention in the 8th Cryptic District. This year the Companions of Bath Council No. 40 have

agreed to host the event and also to serve a dinner at their Temple at 6:30 p.m. at a minimal cost. Council will open at 7:30 p.m.

The Royal Master Degree will be exemplified with the following assignments:

Opening Council Bath No. 40

Royal Master Degree

King Solomon Doric No. 19
HKT Nundawaga No. 92
HA Hornellsville No. 35
CG Hornellsville No. 35
CC Palmyra No. 26
Steward Skoi-Yase No. 75

I'm sure we can work around any problem and still have an informative and enjoyable evening. The greater the attendance, the better our District will profit.

Doric Council**No. 19**
Cryptic Masons

(Chartered in 1861)

**3rd**
WednesdaysDonald J. Brugger, Ill. Master
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I thank the Companions of Doric Council for electing me to be their Ill. Master for the ensuing year. I will do my best to serve you. I know that it will be a challenge to follow Ill. Bill Lindsay, but I will try.

Joining me in the East will be Companions Vern Goodrich - Deputy Master and John Dudley - Principal Conductor of the Work. Comp. Bruce Horncastle is the Cpt. of the Guard, Comp. Ed Brereton - Conductor of the Council, Comp. Doug Koenig - Steward and Comp. Dennis Gellash - Sentinel. Of course, our Secretary will be Ill. Ed Walker with a new Office of Asst. Secretary filled by Comp. F. Jay McCullough. Your Treasurer will again be Comp. Robert Pettit.

Schedule

We will again have a dinner preceding every meeting, barring any catastrophic event. This is an arrangement popular with the Companions and worth continuing. The only caution is reservations should be in by the Friday before our 3rd Wednesday meetings. I believe Baked Chicken Breast is on the menu this month at \$7.00.

I have scheduled the Royal Master Degree for the Septem-

ber 20th meeting. Hopefully we will be able to accomplish this. I call on all those who were involved for our last conferral to contact Ed Walker if he does not get to you first. I urge all who know of potential candidates to get their petitions in ASAP. It would be great to have a large class to start off the year.

The Select Master Degree will be conferred at our October 18th meeting. We will need several non-speaking parts to be filled for this one. Please try to attend and make this an impressive evening for the candidates.

The Grand Lecturer's Convention will be on October 25th in Bath. I expect all Officers to make every effort to attend. If you would like to go, please let me know so we can economize on the transportation.

Grand Council

Several of the Companions and I travelled to Corning for the Grand Council Annual Assembly. We again were awarded the Kreason, Memorial Bible for contributing the highest dollar amount (\$1,698) to the Council Charities Fund; thank you Companions for your generous response. The Grand Master, however, stressed that more is needed. I hope that we can contribute more in the coming year and retain the "Traveling Bible" in 2001-2002.

Although there were several changes to the Constitutions, only one, Article 2, Section 26 (e) was of real interest. This change allows members of a Council whom has surrendered there Charter to become members, "at large" by request to the Grand Council, for a period of no more than three years at \$6.00 per year plus per capita. An "at large" member cannot vote in any Council and must request a demit from Grand Council to join a Council.

Your new Ill. Grand Master is M. Ill. Edward P. Fagan, Jr.

All other Officers moved up one and the new Grand Steward is R. Ill. Joseph A. Foglietti.

Nundawaga
Council No. 92**4th Monday**
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LeRoy, NY 14482Ill. Merle L. Robinson
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Ill. Vernon Rupert
Recorder - 343-8429

We are about to start another busy year. With your help it will be another successful one.

I am looking forward to our November 27th Assembly, when we will be celebrating our Second Annual Table Council. I am pleased to inform you that R. Ill. Bill Vassily and Paul Revere will be with us that evening. More on this in our next missile.

Good news!

Once again our Council has been honored as one of our Past Illustrious Masters, Dan Evans, was appointed District Deputy Grand Illustrious Master at Grand Council in Corning. Congratulations, R. Ill. Dan.

Cyrene/Monroe
Commandery**No. 12****Chartered**
1993**1st & 3rd**
MondaysSK John A. Dudley
Commander 889-2760SK Lawrence W. Dunn
Recorder 594-8033**Honor Guard**

In June, Dave Lathers, Larry Dunn, Ernie Stelianou and I were the Honor Guard for Installations at Craftsman/Robertson and Webster Lodges.

Thanks

My special thanks to Larry Dunn for coordinating the Canadian Commandery Ritual Team visit to Fairport Lodge. Our Canadian Brothers came down to visit and to present one of their Orders. Larry also coordinated an excellent lunch and dinner. He will now be working on our trip to Canada so we can present one of the Orders there. More from Larry in the next few weeks.

A very special thank you to Sir Knight Vern Goodrich and his Lady, Barbara, for hosting our Commandery Picnic this year. It may have been raining outside, but inside was sunny and warm.

New candidates

We have two new members who took their Orders at DeMolay Commandery in Hornell on August 26th.

Reminder

The Annual Conclave of Grand Commandery-Knights Templar, State of New York, will be held at the Holiday Inn Arena in Binghamton on September 15th-17th. All Sir Knights are encouraged to attend.

September meeting

Our first meeting in the Fall will be on September 18th, due to the Labor Day weekend. The Schicker Club will be providing a Potluck Supper for us beginning

at 6:30 p.m. We will be putting the final polish on the Ritual that we learned over the Summer. If you have any questions about what you have learned, please accompany me to Sagoyewatha Commandery for their first Fall meeting on Saturday, September 9th at 10:00 a.m. They will have breakfast at their favorite corner restaurant at 8:30 a.m.

Salem Town Commandery, in Port Byron, will open their Fall meeting schedule on Tuesday, September 19th. If you need directions, please give me a call.

If you have an e-mail address that Cyrene-Monroe Commandery No. 12 could use to contact you, please send it to: JohnAlanDudley@aol.com.



SK Ed Brereton, looking good.



SK Vern Goodrich cooks at Cyrene/Monroe's Summer Picnic while SKs Wayne Slack, Stan Peterson & Doug Koenig offer advice.



Lady June Stelianou leads the singing and tickles the ivories while Ladies Carm Dunn & Chrystal Dudley sing along.

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I hope each of you and your families had a most enjoyable Summer. Seems as though it just arrived, and now it is over and we have to return to our labors. I am looking forward to the coming year, and by all indications, it will indeed, be a busy one.

Canadian visitors

On July 8th PC Jim MacConnell and I attended a visit of some Canadian Sir Knights who conferred a Degree at Fairport Lodge. Also attending from our Commandery was PC Steve Wing, Grand Treasurer and Past Grand Commander. Although the Degree was not to begin until the afternoon, through a miscommunication, SK Jim and I arrived at the Lodge bright and early at 8:00 a.m.! All was not lost for me however, as I received a great tour of the Lodge, the former Schine's

Temple Theater, compliments of W. David Taber. Anyone who knows me well, knows of my penchant for old movie theaters (I'm still looking for a photo of that theater when it was operating--can anyone help?)

Unfortunately, our Canadian friends were detained at customs and arrived somewhat later than anticipated. Having had a prior commitment, SK Jim and I had to leave, and were thereby not able to witness the Degree.

Grand Commandery

September 15th-17th will be Grand Commandery in Binghamton. I look forward to seeing many of the local Sir Knights and meeting many more from other Commanderies.

Great teamwork!

I have been attending, with other Sir Knights, Drill Team practices at Sweet Home Lodge in Williamsville. This is a new experience for me; hopefully, by the date of the actual demonstration, I'll be able to differentiate my left from my right and be an asset to the team and the Commandery. The teamwork and camaraderie are great. I highly recommend participation to all Sir Knights.

Sickness

SK Bob Forbes is at home following a hospital stay, and appears to be holding his own as he receives treatments on a regular basis. We look forward to his re-

Doric Council No. 19 Officers for 2000-2001

(f) Comp. Vernon Goodrich - Dep. Master, Ill. Donald Brugger - Master, Comp. John Dudley - Principal Conductor of the Work. (b) Cmp. Bruce Horncastle - Cpt. of Gd., V. Ill. William Zufall - Chap., Cmp. Doug Koenig - Stwd., R. Ill. Charles Roberts - Mar., Ill. L. Edward Walker - Sec., Comp. Edward Brereton - Con. of the Council.



Installing Team - V. Ill. William Zufall - Inst. Chap., M. Ill. Raymond Beardsley - Inst. Master, Ill. Master - Don Brugger, R. Ill. Charles Roberts - Inst. Mar.

September 2000

turn this Fall to assume his duties as our Sentinel.

SK Ken Kohlhausen's wife Esther, is home after her knee surgery and seems to be doing well. We wish them both speedy recoveries.

In closing I'd like to mention a few upcoming events. Next month we will be having our Annual Cannibal Feast, which is always interesting and fun. On November 9th we will have our Thanksgiving Dinner and December 14th will be the Christmas Toast. Friends are always welcome!

Zone 11 News
SK & Rev. Don Markham
Zone Advisor
SK Howard C. Colegrove
Zone Commander

By SK Cyril White

Change of date

Sagoyewatha Commandery's next conclave is scheduled for Saturday, September 9th, at 10:00 a.m. at the Phelps Masonic Temple, Ontario Street. Please note that this has been changed to the 2nd Saturday in September so that it will not conflict with Grand Commandery. This will be the first Opening of the Commandery for the new Commander. All the support he can get will, I'm sure, be greatly appreciated. Sagoyewatha has a long-standing tradition (since its inception, anyway!) of meeting at the Blue Ribbon Restaurant for breakfast prior to the conclave. Breakfast will be at 8:30 a.m. (Dutch treat).

Genesee York Rite College No. 25
(Chartered July 14, 1962)
Pre-Eminent Governor
Donald J. Brugger
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Secretary
Charles M. Roberts - 225-6533

I thank the Companion Knights of Genesee York Rite College No. 25 for electing me to be their Governor for the ensuing year. I encourage all to support your new line of Officers by attending our Assemblies. Your line is: L. Ronald Edwards - Dep. Gov., - William DuBois - Chanc., Doug Poole - Prim., Cyril White - Prec., Paul Josephson - Sen., John McConnell - Mar., Jerold Brade - Sent., Charles Roberts - Rec., and Ronald Bertie - Treas.

Sovereign College Workshop

On the weekend of August 5th 7 Genesee Companion Knights traveled to Utica to attend the Sovereign College Workshop. We met the new Grand Governor, Donald Markham and the New Deputy Governor Edward Newsham.

The GG enumerated his plans for the coming year and emphasized his desire to increase membership. He also wants to have a State-wide Class in his year, which he suggested should be held at Rochester in Cathedral Hall, with Genesee No. 25, doing the dramatic 2nd part. Considering our present schedule this would have to be done on a non-meeting date, probably on a Saturday. I will keep you informed.

We were also informed that the Sovereign College has

changed its fiscal year to run from Sept. 1st to Aug. 31st. This will create some problems for the Recorder and Treasurer. Prompt remittance of your dues would be appreciated.

The Governor General stressed the need for contributions to the Charity Fund. I believe we should consider a possible contribution at the Athelstan level (\$250). Something to think about.

September meeting

We had several no-shows at our Annual Meeting and some of the Officers were not present to be installed, this will be one order of business for Sept. 9th. We will also, hopefully, be receiving a report on our Flag Project from our Primate, Doug Poole. At that first meeting we will be at the Phelps Temple to assist Sagoyewatha Commandery. The Commandery meets at 10:00 a.m. If you can make it, your participation will be appreciated. For those early birds it will be breakfast at the "Blue Ribbon". After the Commandery meeting we adjourn to the "Blue Ribbon" for lunch from the menu. The College meeting will begin promptly at 2:00 p.m. A good turnout would be appreciated. Keeping in mind the Grand Governors plea for members, this will be a good time to present the names of candidates for consideration.

Even though we meet only four times per year, look for information updates in all issues of the *Masonic Times*.

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Sign Up Today! Be An Admission Counselor!

This Fall there will be three opportunities to become one of the Masonic Home's Admission Counselors. The sessions will be held September 15 & 16, October 6 & 7 and November 17 & 18.

Registration will begin on Friday at 2:30 p.m. in the Administration Building Lobby. Friday's session will commence at 3:00 p.m. in the Administration Building's Auditorium and includes an overview of the program, followed by a tour of the entire campus. Dinner on Friday at a local restaurant will give us the opportunity to exchange ideas and share fellowship. Other than dinner on Friday, dress will be casual.

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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helping us promote our magnificent facility, please make a commitment. Join our Admission Counselors' Team by contacting W. Daniel L. Clark at 1-800-322-8826, Extension 4923. Meals and overnight accommodations will be provided by the Masonic Home.

Your Legal Rights FYI
By Bro. Phillip Hurwitz, Esq.

Medicare Part B

In June's article I described how Medicare Part A works. As promised, I will discuss how medigap insurance works, but before I get there, I need to cover Medicare Part B. I will also touch upon Long Term Care Insurance, Medicaid, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), EPIC Program and Veteran's Programs.

Medicare Part B is also medical insurance. Part B helps pay for: doctor's services, outpatient hospital care, diagnostic tests, durable medical equipment, ambulance services, and other health services that aren't covered by Medicare Part A. Generally, Part B will cover 80% of these charges if approved by Medicare (SSA Handbook 2442).

A monthly premium of \$45.50 is charged. Part B pays 80% of approved charges for medical services. You are responsible for the 20% co-payment and annual deductible of \$100. Doctors cannot charge their Medicare patients more than 5% above the Medicare approved amount.

Medigap.

Medigap insurance (Medicare Supplemental Insurance) is available to cover health care expenses not covered by Medicare Parts A and B. It's called medigap insurance because it covers those gaps in coverage not covered by Medicare.

Gaps in Medicare Part A hospital stays

Medicare Part A is basically hospital insurance. Medicare Part A will cover the first 60 days of hospital care; you pay a \$776 deductible. A hospital stay extending from day 91-150 requires a daily co-pay of \$388.

Gaps in Medicare Part B

Only 80% of approved charges for: physician services, durable medical equipment and diagnostic tests are covered, after an annual deductible of \$100 is reached. You pay 20% of the approved charges not covered by Part B, the annual \$100 deductible.

Medigap

A medigap policy will pay for daily co-pays incurred after day 60 in the hospital, plus provide coverage for 365 lifetime hospital days beyond Medicare coverage.

Staying with Medicare Part A

Assume you are transferred to a skilled nursing facility to recuperate. Part A will cover the first 20 days of skilled care after a 3 day hospital stay. A stay extending beyond 20 days to 100 days requires a daily co-pay of \$97.

An appropriate medigap policy will cover your daily co-pay. What is an appropriate medigap policy? In New York State you have a choice of 10 different types of medigap policies to choose from. They are labeled plans: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I and J. Plan A is the most basic and will cover: 20% co-payment for doctor bills, diagnostic tests and durable medical equipment; co-payments for hospital stays between days 61-150, plus provide an additional 365 lifetime days beyond Medicare coverage. Plans B through J provide the benefits of Plan A, plus extras. Using our above examples, Plan B would

also cover the \$776 hospital deductible; Plan C would also cover the skilled nursing home deductible for days 21-200, and Medicare Part B deductible. The most comprehensive, Plan J, would provide the same coverage as above, plus: Medicare Part B charges in excess of Medicare's approved charges, medical treatment outside the U.S., home care assistance, prescriptions, and preventative care. (Source: Brookdale Center on Aging).

Monthly premiums for these medigap plans vary from \$57.78/mo. for Plan A to \$296/mo for Plan J. A listing of insurers offering Medigap Policies can be found at the NYS Office for the Aging at <http://hiicap.state.ny.us/mgap/mgap05.htm> or by calling 800-333-4114.

Medicare buy-in

Persons of modest means can have their Medicare monthly premiums, deductible or co-insurance paid for by Medicaid. To be eligible for full coverage (Parts A and B), a couple cannot own assets exceeding \$6000. For an individual, the limit is \$4000. Monthly income for couples can't exceed \$1106. For an individual, the limit is \$823. If monthly income is between \$1106 to \$1245 for couples (\$824 to \$926 for individuals), then only Part B co-payment and deductible will be covered. If monthly income is between \$1242 and \$1603 for couples (\$927 and \$1194 for individuals), then Medicare will only pay the home health care portion of the Part B premium.

Long Term Care Insurance

Long Term Care (LTC) Insurance provides coverage if you must live in a nursing home. In the Rochester area, the average cost of nursing home care is

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Damascus Temple No. 2 Shrine News

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FROM THE POTENTATE



GEORGE SIMON
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Many thanks

We are back from the Imperial Session, held in Boston in July. My thanks to Ill. Erwin Newell and Brenda for all the work and time that they devoted to making our stay in Boston a memorable one. Thanks to Bill and Helen Hook and Jim and Lois Pray for their time and efforts to keep everyone happy in the Hospitality Room. For all the Nobles and Ladies who pitched in to help out, great job. To all the Ladies and Nobles who attended Boston, we thank you for your support. I have heard nothing but good reports on the whole trip and we are so glad that you all had a good time. There are so many to thank, I cannot list everyone, so Lula and I just say, "Thank you all".

Busy time

Although we have been dark for the Summer, your officers and Divan have been busy with parades, picnics, and Club and Unit meetings.

Our Family Picnic was at Sea Breeze on August 26th. For \$12.00 each, there was all day entertainment and food. What a deal!

September

Our next meeting will be on September 6th. Dinner will be Stuffed Chicken Breast with all the trimmings for only \$6.00. Reservations a must by September 4th, please.

On September 9th there will be a Clam Bake at the Mosque, sponsored by Damascus Yacht Club and Damascus Temple. Check the news for details. Tickets are available at the Mosque, from your Divan people and Yacht Club members.

The N.Y.O.S.A. is having a joint meeting with the N.E.S.A. in Montreal in September. Read the supplement sent out in July. If you do not have one, stop in and pick one up at the Mosque.

Looking ahead

If your club or unit is planning on having a Christmas Party, I would suggest that you get your dates in so that there is no conflict with other clubs. We already have some dates reserved. Remember there will be no conflicting dates, first come, first served. If the date is already taken, you will have to pick a new date.

Give What You Have

Give what you have,
Be it little or much.
If you can't write a book
You can still keep in touch

With someone "out there"
Who is eager to hear
From a friend. So send them
A message of cheer!
If you can't preach a sermon,
No doubt you can smile,
And perhaps make somebody's
Life worth the while.
Or just a small touch
in the hour of despair
On someone's faint arm
Will show that you care.
You may not be elected
To Congress or sit
At a banqueting table
Presiding with wit;
But do not give up
Or sadly deplore
The things you can't do.
God made you for
A special assignment
That you-only you
Of all other people
On earth can do!

(Alice Hansche Mortenson) □

Director's Staff

By Joe Minas

Another Summer has gone by. They all seem so short. The rain this past Summer hindered a lot of events that were planned.

I thank the Nobles and their ladies who attended the picnic at Clifton Springs Park. All seemed to have a good time. The food consisted of Steak, Potatoes, Corn and all kinds of munchies.

Sympathy

We send our condolences to all Nobles and their wives who have had distress this Summer. Charles Walker's wife, Barbara, passed away. Since then he has had vascular surgery on his leg.

Next meeting

Cards will be sent giving the time and place for our next meeting on September 27th. □

Shrine Membership

By Bruce Chilton

The Vote

Let me get right to the point. A vote was taken in Boston, at the Imperial Convention, over the 4th of July, that could have a dramatic effect on numerous Masonic Bodies, especially the Shrine and the Rites. A vote was taken and passed that allows a Master Mason in good standing to become a member of the Shrine without first completing the Degrees of the Rites. You no longer HAVE to be either a Scottish Rite or York Rite Mason to be a member of the Shrine.

The members of Damascus Temple have always been proud of the relationship that we have with the Concordant Bodies and we will continue to promote the Rites as a path to becoming a member of Damascus. While following Imperial Law and allowing any Master Mason to become a Shriner, we will encourage that he take the path that has always afforded more light in Masonry, by traveling through the Rites on the journey to the Shrine.

We are proud of the fact that we have, for the last ten years, allowed Masonic functions to be held at the Shrine Temple at no cost. We are proud of the fact that so many members of the Divan, past and present, are or have been, Right Worshipful or heads of the other Bodies. We in Damascus share a unity with the Concordants that isn't the case

Damascus Shrine at Imperial Sessions Parade, in Boston



Potentate Ill. George "The Man" Simon.



Damascus Divan.



P.P. Dick Henderson leading the Damascus Pipe Band.



Damascus Clown Unit followed by Bill Kuehne at the Calliope.



Damascus Director's Staff.

across this country, hence the cause for the vote. In some jurisdictions there are Bodies that do not dwell in unity. This is why this vote was brought forth and passed.

The Potentate and elected Divan have agreed that while we will comply totally with the vote, we will also continue to work closely with the Rites for the betterment of the Craft as we have always done in the past.

If you have any questions or concerns on this or any subject relative to the Shrine, please call the Temple Office at 671-7701. □

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War
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Team

President
Joe Minas

Another Summer has gone by. I hope everyone had a wonderful one. All the Lodges are about to begin their schedules.

We would appreciate it if you would let us know when your Lodge wants us to confer the 3rd Degree for them. At present Craftsman/Robertson Lodge No. 969 has scheduled December 5th, with dinner at 6:00 p.m. and the Degree at 7:30 p.m.

We will see you soon. □

Zama Temple
Daughters
of the Nile

By Jean R. Friedrich, PQ

We hope you all have had a delightful Summer and are ready to resume your Fall activities with renewed energy and interest.

Our Summer outing at Shore Acres Golf Course on August 3rd was a real challenge to our Nile Pretty Good Golf Team, with lunch at Crescent Beach Restaurant as a reward. We were fortunate that the rain held off until we drove out of the parking lot. Our thanks to Chairman, Pr. Shirley VanDenBergh, for her excellent timing!

Those of you who went to the Walnut Hill Carriage Show and Competition in August had a real treat. The horses, carriages, and costumes were magnificent. This Annual Show gets better every year. Our thanks to our hostess, PQ Sharon Baldwin, for making arrangements for us to attend.

Looking ahead

Our Officers are busy preparing for our first Fall Stated Session of September 9th, when our Patrol will be hosting lunch at 11:00 a.m. We will be interested in hearing Queen Corinne Routley's report on Supreme Session held in Palm Springs, California, in June.

Please remember to start saving your surplus household goods and serviceable clothing for our Fall Garage and Next-to-New Sale, coming up on November 15-18th at the Mosque. We will have more information for you about this later on.

Just a note...

The Daughters of the Nile are a dynamic group of women dedicated to supporting the children in the Shriner's Hospitals. Zama Temple is fortunate to have an energetic local leadership providing activities that encourage participation by its members. We look forward to serving as a Sister organization to Damascus Temple for many years to come. □

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Leon J. VanHuben, Monarch

Monarch's Ball

We will be honoring our Monarch, Leon J. VanHuben, on Saturday, October 28, 2000. It will take place at the New Dutch Mill, Stone Road and Dewey Avenue in Rochester. The social hour is at 6:00 p.m., dinner at 7:00 p.m. There will be dancing and fun with the Dixieland Stompers.

The choice of entrees is: Prime Rib of Beef, Veal Parmesan, or Stuffed Chicken Breast.

Admittance is by reservations only. No tickets at the door. Please send your choice and check to: Ken Hutchinson, 6352 Still Meadow Way, Williamson, NY before October 4, 2000. □

Membership

By Bill Fredenburg

Our Fall sessions are about to begin. We encourage all our new members to attend the September 20th meeting. Break bread at 6:15 p.m. and socialize before the meeting. For reservations, call Al Pulcino at 225-8471.

Petitions

Will all you Grotto members who have petitions pending, please follow up and ask the Brothers to complete them so you can get them in? We must have them at the Board meeting to process them.

I am feeling better and I thank you all for the cards and calls.

If you need a petition or assistance, call Ron at 334-4196 or me at 334-4753. □

Caldron News

By Marcia Morrison

I hope everyone had a healthy, happy Summer. Now it is back to business as usual.

Some of the girls attended the Cast Picnic and the Grotto Fun Day at the race track.

Our September meeting has been changed to September 7th and it will be Move-Up Night and PMCO Night.

The Caldron Sessions are being held in Moline, Illinois, September 21-22 and 23rd. There will be 8 of us attending.

Condolences

We were all saddened by the death of our dear friend, Mildred Heck. We shall miss her.

Until next time, take care and God Bless. □

Attend Grotto Meetings

Dates to Remember

Thurs, September 1st-
Caldron Move-Up
Night

Wed., September 20th-
Grotto Meeting with
Dinner 6:15 p.m.

Thursday, September 21st-
Saturday, September
23rd-Caldron Sessions,
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Excitable Heart

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cal impulse, ensuring efficient activation and pumping motion. Without electrical activity, the heart lies motionless and serves no useful purpose.

Disorderly electrical activity, also known as arrhythmias, may also render the heart inefficient or totally useless as a pump. Extreme disorganization of the electrical activity within the heart can lead to sudden death, the single most prevalent mechanism of death in the United States, taking the lives of over 350,000 Americans each year. Nearly every minute of every day someone in this country dies of sudden cardiac death, very often the result of an arrhythmia known as ventricular fibrillation.

Arrhythmias are not always life-threatening. Some, including extrasystoles or "extra beats", may be quite innocuous. Others, like AV nodal tachycardia, although not lethal, may be incapacitating. Still others, like atrial fibrillation, may be less crippling, but a nuisance nevertheless.

Ventricular tachycardia, when relatively slow and regular, may occur without symptoms. At more rapid and/or irregular rates, VT usually produces symptoms in the form of palpitations, presyncope (dizziness) and syncope (fainting spells). The dizziness and fainting spells occur because the pumping chambers do not have sufficient time to fill with blood and as a consequence are inefficient in pumping blood to the brain and other organs of the body. The ECG alerts your physician as to how dangerous the arrhythmia may be. If the ECG signals attending each beat of the tachycardia are similar in size and shape, the tachycardia is said to be monomorphic. In contrast, when the signals are of varying amplitude and shape, the arrhythmia is said to be polymorphic. Generally speaking, the latter is more likely to be life-threatening. The danger of a rapid polymorphic tachycardia is that it can degenerate into ventricular fibrillation (VF), which is the principal cause of sudden death. Although a heart in VF beats at

an extremely rapid rate, it is useless as a pump because the contractions are uncoordinated.

Polymorphic ventricular tachycardias commonly occur in patients with an hereditary syndrome, known as the Long QT Syndrome. Children born with this syndrome, usually lead a normal childhood, but begin to experience dizzy spells in their teenage years or early adulthood. The dizzy spells are due to an atypical polymorphic ventricular tachycardia known as Torsade de Pointes. If not properly diagnosed and treated, one of the dizzy spells can result in sudden death.

It has long been appreciated that the sympathetic (adrenergic fight or flight) nervous system plays a key role in precipitating attacks leading to sudden death in these children. In some individuals, the attack occurs during or soon after strenuous exercise, in others it occurs after a sudden startle such as an alarm clock going off, and in still others, it occurs during sleep. The mechanism for this has escaped the grasp of scientists for over 30 years. Dr. Antzelevitch and co-workers recently developed experimental models of three genetic forms of the Long QT Syndrome and demonstrated that sympathetic activity can cause the deadly arrhythmia by different mechanisms in each of the three hereditary variants of the disease. Moreover, they showed that in one form of the disease, sympathetic activity was protective, thus challenging the common practice of prescribing B adrenergic blockers to all patients with this disease. Investigations by the same group recently showed that a class of drugs known as sodium channel blockers may also be of therapeutic value in all three genetic variants of the disease.

Antzelevitch and his Experimental Cardiology Team are world renowned for their work related to these hereditary diseases and their forms of sudden cardiac death. Studies by this group were the first to demonstrate that the ventricles of the heart are comprised of at least three electrically distinct myocardial cell types: epicardium, endo-

cardium and a unique cell type discovered at the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory, called the M cell. The three cell types respond differently to a variety of drugs and disease states and thus can contribute to the development of a variety of cardiac arrhythmias, including Torsade de Pointes associated with the Long QT Syndrome. Members of the group have been selected for four international distinctions in the form of Young Investigator Awards over the past 2 years.

The mechanisms uncovered by these investigations have suggested new approaches to therapy of the Long QT Syndrome. These are currently undergoing clinical trials at medical centers worldwide. One day soon the families of individuals born with these syndromes may be able to rest easy knowing that their loved ones are protected from what could otherwise be a catastrophic outcome. □

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\$70,000/yr. (Source: Rochester Business Journal, 6/23/2000, pg. 23). Long Term Care Insurance makes sense if you have accumulated wealth which you want to pass along to your spouse, heirs, favorite charity, or just about anyone else other than a nursing home. The cost of the insurance increases with age. At age 45 the annual premium for a LTC policy is \$810. At age 70, it's \$9,153. (Source: Finger Lakes Long Term Care Insurance Co.). Without a LTC policy, you would have to deplete your wealth first before Medicaid would pay for your nursing home care.

The New York State Partnership for Long Term Care offers an alternative to this frightening scenario. Rather than going broke in order to have Medicaid pay for nursing home care, you can purchase a LTC policy under this program. Once the benefits of the policy are used up in paying for nursing home care, you can then have Medicaid pay for it, without having to deplete your resources first. The only thing Medicaid will count is your income. It will not count your assets. Continued next month.

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Crawford

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service with enthusiasm, and fortitude during times of challenge, have been watch words that have served him well throughout the years. They have become the cornerstone upon which his service to others has been built.

Education has played an important part in W. Crawford's life, as well. He is a graduate of Bowling Green State University (Ohio) with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Journalism and from Indiana College of Mortuary Science in Indianapolis with an A.S. in Mortuary Science.

Business honors

In 1974 he joined his father, R. W. R. Kenneth Crawford, as a Licensed Funeral Director at the Crawford Funeral Home. Their firm has been the only Rochester area funeral home consistently selected for excellence in service standards by the International Order of the Golden Rule (OGR). Founded in 1928, OGR is the world's largest professional/trade association of independently owned and operated funeral homes. In 1999 the Crawford Funeral Home was the recipient of a Golden Rule Bronze Award for Exemplary Service. The Fair Business Council also named the Crawford Funeral Home to its Honor Roll of companies demonstrating their dedication and commitment to customer service.

Community services

Brother Crawford is a past president of the Rochester/Genesee Valley Funeral Directors Association. As a member of the New York State Funeral Directors Association, he has served on the Board of Directors, and on their By-Laws and Pre-Need Committees. He is a member of the Funeral Ethics Association, National Funeral Directors Association, Cremation Association of North America, and GROWW (Grief Recovery Online [founded by] Widows and Widowers)-a support group for all community bereaved.

David has always been heavily involved in his profession's outreach programs. Working closely with local professionals in the mental health and grief recovery fields, he was instrumental in the formation of G.R.I.E.F. (Grief Resource Information and Education Forum), where he served as President for three terms.

David is a much sought after speaker and funeral service community educator making in-service presentations to professional, community, and bereavement groups; churches, care-givers and hospice groups. For many years he has served as a local news media contact for the funeral service industry.

The Crawford family has a long heritage of service to the Rochester community. David's father was the 1986 recipient of the Bureau's Distinguished Community Service Award. Following in his father's footsteps, David's involvement began the day he returned to Rochester. He not only served as a member, but also as either a President or board member of the Rochester Jaycees, Junior Achievement, Rochester Chamber of Commerce, and the Fair Business Council/Better Business Bureau. He was again instrumental in helping to organize the first local Rotary Breakfast Club and was elected Charter President of the Rochester A.M. Rotary Club.

His children have a way of keeping him active and David

found himself involved as a soccer coach for the Rochester Juniors, a Troop Committee member of Troop 55 BSA for twenty years, a Scout Merit Badge Counselor and is himself an Eagle Scout. Currently he has chosen a quieter involvement as Board President of the Samaritan Pastoral Counseling Center-a spiritually based counseling program located on East Avenue.

Military service

Brother Crawford's military service spans almost a decade. During the early 1960's he spent two years in Korea with the Army Security Agency. Following graduation from BGSU, he was commissioned a Regular Army Officer and taught at the Army ROTC Department prior to reporting for duty with the 101st Airborne Division at Ft. Campbell, KY. He is a graduate of the US Army Signal Officers School (Ft. Gordon, GA), the Microwave Radio Officer Program (Ft. Monmouth, NJ) and the US Army Infantry Ranger School (Ft. Benning, GA).

Following a tour of duty in Vicenza, Italy, he achieved the rank of Captain. His next assignment was in Vietnam with the 25th Infantry Division's Nul Ba Den Provisional Infantry Company serving as Executive Officer and Chief Signal Officer. He concluded his Vietnam tour as Adjutant with the Division's 125th Signal Battalion. David's final assignment was at the Adjutant General School in Indianapolis. He is a member of the Vietnam Veteran's of America, US Army Ranger Association, and the American Legion. David is one of the funeral directors involved in the National Funeral Directors Association's effort to raise funds for the World War II Memorial in Washington, DC.

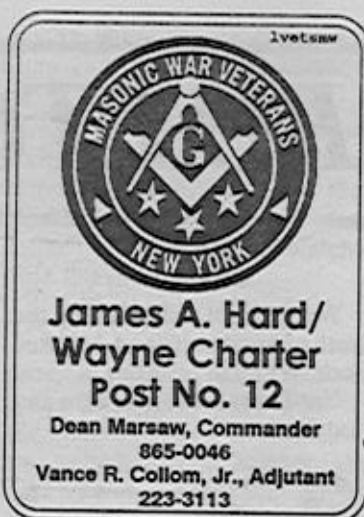
Following military service David became the Director of the Indianapolis/Marion County Unit of The American Cancer Society. Once again demonstrating his unique blend of leadership, compassion and community involvement.

Some day he hopes to have the time to enjoy his hobbies of photography, computers and as an Amateur Radio operator holding Extra Class license K2DPC. He is a member of the Rochester Amateur Radio Association, the Genesee Valley Pond and Kol Club and the Oriental Garden Society.

David's true sense of worth stems from the joy of his family. At any given time you might find him discussing musical culture with daughter Tami, comparing camping here and in Alaska with son Mike, cheering for son Chad while evoking team spirit on the sidelines of an Harley/Allendale/Columbia soccer game, trying to learn the names of all 151 Pokemon characters from grandson Benjamin, or quietly reading a story with four year old granddaughter, Emily, on his lap. These are but a few of the joyous memories he has shared with his wife, Linda, for the past 25 years.

Those of us who know David personally can attest to his warm charm and his quick wit. He brings comfort to those in pain and joy to a child's heart. David's quiet commitment to the world around him truly distinguishes him as this year's Community Service Award recipient.

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Masonic Times



September

It is that time again for us to get back on the merry-go-round of all our Masonic meetings. I hope everyone enjoyed their Summer.

Thursday, September 28th will be our first meeting, with a Ham Dinner at 6:30 p.m. sharp. The Calling Tree will be contacting each member. Remember, a reservation made is a reservation paid, unless sickness or emergency.

We will be going over the trestleboard and dress codes. The officers should wear their military shirt if they have one, and the aprons are coming out of moth balls and will be worn at every meeting this year.

The Post Memorial at the grave site was cancelled due to torrid rains all day, but the Steak Roast was a big success. We voted to have steak again next year with a dish to pass.

We will be mailing out a trestleboard for the meetings to every member. Any additional information will be by the Calling Tree, flyers, or in this article each month.

Upcoming dates

The Color Guard will be active on October 19th for the Scottish Rite Symbolic Awards Night and on October 22nd for the Interfaith Breakfast. Ladies and members are welcome to attend.

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

HiLights

Order of the Eastern Star

GENESEE-WYOMING DISTRICT

Rt. Wtly. L. JANET LEE
DDGM

Rt. Wtly Timothy L. BUCKNAM
DGL

Busy and fun Summer

When you think about Summer, one usually thinks about a time off or a slow down of activities. However, in the Genesee/Wyoming District this was not the case. We have been rather busy and have had fun doing it.

On July 1st a Chicken Bar-B-Que was held at the Perry Masonic Temple. Tim Bucknam and I thank all the Chapters for their donations of potatoes, hard cooked eggs, and homemade pies (m-m-m-m). We also thank everyone who helped by selling tickets, and getting workers. We especially thank the kitchen and dining room workers.

On July 19th, about 20 District Past Matrons met at the Pike Restaurant for their Annual

Summer Luncheon. All had an enjoyable afternoon visiting.

Then it was off to Oriskany for our Annual Pilgrimage Weekend. About 25 attended the Annual Quint District Dinner at the Twin Ponds Golf Course in New York Mills. Rt. Wtly. June Lee, Matron of Batavia Chapter No. 267, and I led all in a few rounds of Star Bingo after the introductions of next year's Grand Chapter Officers.

Our District leaders will be Rt. Wtly. Waneta Krauss and Rt. Wtly. Charles Krauss, of Stebbins Chapter in Pike. Tim and I wish them a successful year. They will be installed with the other 2001 Grand Officers at Grand Session in October.

On August 13th the Past Grand Officers of the District held their Annual Summer Luncheon and Meeting at the Pike Restaurant. All had an enjoyable afternoon.

Homecoming

Rt. Wtly. Nancy Specht announces the Homecoming of Rt. Wtly. Timothy L. Bucknam, DGL and me on Friday, September 22nd. It will be held at 8:00 p.m. at the Perry Masonic Temple. Batavia Chapter No. 267 and Perry Chapter No. 497 will host it. Anyone wishing more information, or to make a reservation, are asked to call Mrs. Nancy Specht at 548-2694.

Roswell Park Cancer Institute

Last year the youth who the District was able to help was Robert Zinni. Robert is a cancer patient at Roswell Park Cancer Institute. Recently Roswell Park and Perry's Ice Cream announced that they have teamed up to fight cancer. Now through September, when customers purchase "Sweet

Hope" cotton candy flavored ice cream at their local supermarket, a portion of the proceeds from the sale will support pediatric programs at Roswell Park Cancer Institute. Roswell Park pediatric patients Robert Zinni of Batavia, Corey Pettit of Buffalo and Scott Abram of Lackawanna created the carton. The District helped Robert's family with donations from our Annual Walk-a-Thon.

Congratulations!

Batavia Chapter No. 267 announced that 50 Year Pins and Certificates were presented at the Chapter Picnic on August 6th. The honored ladies were Helen Corliss, Dorcas Corliss and Jean Denny. Rt. Wtly. June Lee, Matron, and Wtly. Horace Wilder, Patron, made the presentations. Rt. Wtly. Ethel R. Lee and Wtly. Esther Cotton, also 50 year members, were among those present at the picnic. Marguerite Greene and Madeline Ritz were unable to attend and will receive their Pins and Certificates at a later time.

Fall Festival

Perry Chapter No. 497 announced that they took in new members this Summer. They will be having an annual Fall Festival in September. Anyone wishing to rent a table (\$30.00 for two days) should contact Wtly. Shirley Church, Matron, at 237-6618.

Study Club

The next Y2K Study Club will meet at Arcade Chapter on September 16th at 10:30 a.m., followed by a light lunch. Reservations can be made by contacting Mrs. Shirley Lewis, 97655 Pratulian Rd., Holland, NY 14080.

VA Hospital Presentation



On May 18th, on the occasion of her Official Visit to our District, M. Wtly. Sally A. Clarke presented a \$50.00 check to the VA Hospital in Batavia on behalf of Grand Chapter. The check was presented to Gordon Bendelian of the VA Hospital.

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MONROE DISTRICT

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Michael

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Fellow Stars, I hope you all enjoyed the Summer and the opportunity to be free of Chapter doings for a short period of time. Now we are ready to resume our activities with renewed vigor and enthusiasm.

Congratulations

The Annual Pilgrimage to Oriskany was most enjoyable. We were treated to the announcement of the 2001 Grand Officers. Wthy. Charlene Stankey (Etolian) will be District Deputy Grand Matron; Wthy. Neil Laundry (Mary Jane Holmes) will be District Grand Lecturer and Wthy. Barbara Cobb (Fairport) will be Grand Chaplain.

Our newest appointee assumed her station in June-Rt. Wthy. Beverly Murray, Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Manitoba. Rt. Wthy. Alida Doud, Grand Representative of South Dakota, will continue her post until the Spring of 2001. Our congratulations to all of you. I hope your year of service brings all the best our Order holds.

The day of the Bazaar threatened to be a rainy one, however, the clouds rolled away and the day's weather was near perfect, not too warm and very sunny. It was a pleasure to meet and greet members from all over the State. The Monroes even had some winners at the share booth!

As I write this, we are gearing up for the Annual Chicken Bar-B-Que this weekend. To all of you who graciously agreed to work on this annual event, I cannot thank you enough. This is the District's one major fundraiser, and while it is hard work, it can be a great deal of fun.

Mark your calendars

September 23rd is the Homecoming for Rt. Wthy. Michael, Rt. Wthy. Georgia Schutt and myself. Details are in the mail to the Chapters.

The Monroe District Banquet will be Friday, October 13th, and information regarding this dinner will also be out soon.

From the Grand Lecturer

Brothers, Sisters and friends-by the time you read this most of the Summer will have passed. We will all know a little more about the Pennant Races, the political situation and, most importantly, whether the Peaches Chicken Bar-B-Que was a success. If we had great weather and a big crowd, we are grateful. If not, drop over to our house for Chicken Salad! We have a ton and a half of it.

The winner!

The Leipold entry was again the victor in the Puzzle Game. A list of answers is supposed to be included below, but Rt. Wthy.

Doris put them in a "safe" place. You know how that goes! Hopefully by press time, we will have uncovered it and it will be available upon request.

Save the date

Rt. Wthy. Doris and I are starting to gear down our praetorships. We have Grand Sessions, and some District business remaining. One of the big functions will involve an Ice Cream Social on September 23rd. So save this date and lots of spare calories.

NOLA Chapter No. 368

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Wthy. Antoinette Jeerings
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By Alice Hassett

Suddenly, the Summer is practically over and the calendar is filling with all sorts of activities. I hope that you are as renewed and enthusiastic as I am about the various Fall activities, Session, and anticipation of new responsibilities in the upcoming year.

Business first

Please check your membership card. If the color is blue, you have paid your dues. However, I'm informed that there are several members who are a bit late in paying, and the 2001 dues will be upon us soon. Please phone Rt. Wthy. Carol Wynings at 594-4692 to check on your dues status.

New address

Rt. Wthy. Lucille Mason has moved. Her new address is: Room 127, Westwood Commons, 50 Union Square Boulevard, North Chili, NY 14514. Let's send cards to Lucille and to others whom we don't see on a regular basis.

Celebration of life

Condolences to the family and friends of our departed Sister, Wthy. Jessie Zorn. Nola Chapter celebrated her life on July 31st at the Walker Brothers Funeral Home in Churchville.

Meeting

Our first meeting of the Fall will be held on Tuesday evening, September 19th. A report on Oriskany and the Necrology Report are due at that meeting. The Drake family will be in charge of refreshments.

Birthdays

Happy birthday in September to: Susan Drake Mason, Kathryn Ann Fieret, Beverly Bacher, Alan Jeerings and DeMaris Uttrich.

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Father and son attain new positions in New York DeMolay

At the 33rd Annual State Convention of New York DeMolay, held July 27th-30th at Utica College of Syracuse University in

Utica, two local family members attained new positions within New York DeMolay.

Josh Burke, Past Master Councilor of Rochester Chapter, Order of DeMolay, was elected as Niagara Frontier Division Councilor, and W. Gary Burke, his Dad, was advanced from Assistant State Chapter Advisor to the position of State Chapter Advisor.

As Division Councilor, Josh will work as a member of the New York State Chapter with responsibility for Chapters in Western New York. He will coordinate Division activities to promote membership, Ritual, athletics and other State programs. He is the personal representative of this Division of the State Master Councilor to the local Chapters.

In capacity of State Chapter Advisor, Gary will oversee the activities of the State Chapter, working with the State Master Councilor to advance and promote DeMolay in New York.

In Memoriam

May

Nielsen, Oluf S.

The Great Architect of the Universe claimed Oluf on May 31st at his home in Florida. He was a member of Seneca Lodge No. 797 and is survived by his wife, Virginia, 1 son, 3 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

June

Bird, Albert O.

A member of Clio Lodge No. 779, Albert passed away June 3rd at the age of 87. He is survived by his wife, Grace, 3 children, 7 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-grandson.

L'Amoreaux, Dick

Dick was 72 years old when death claimed him at his home in Florida. He was a member of Clio Lodge No. 779 and leaves his wife, Patricia, 2 daughters, 3 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

Tucker, Kenneth W.

Kenneth was called Home on June 5th at the age of 88. He was a member of Etolian Lodge No. 479 and is survived by his wife, Verna, 2 children, 2 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

Johnson, Arnold L.

A member of Seneca Lodge No. 797, Arnold died on June 6th. Survivors include his wife, Nancy.

Swanson, Donald L.

June 6th was the date the Donald died at the age of 78. A member of Fairport Lodge No. 476 and Rochester Consistory, he leaves his wife, Allene, 3 sons and 4 grandchildren.

Elliott, Gerald G.

Gerald was a member of Batavia Commandery at the time of his death on June 20th. He leaves his wife, Grace, 2 daughters, and 4 grandchildren.

Karpowicz, Bernard S.

A member of Germania Lodge No. 722, Bernard met the Great Architect on June 20th. Survivors include his wife, Helen, 3 children, 6 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

Doty, Charles F.

Charles was called Home on June 22nd at the age of 83. He was a member of Union Star Lodge No. 320 and a Past Patron of Henrietta Chapter No. 475, OES. His wife, Alta, 2 sons and 4 grandchildren all survive him.

Hill, J. Lawrence, Jr.

Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge No. 1088 and Hiram Chapter, RAM, both lost a member with the passing of Lawrence on June 26th. Survivors include his 3 children, 10 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Maier, Walter W.

At the age of 91, Walter, a member of Etolian Lodge No. 479, died on June 30th. Two children, 5 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren survive him.

July

Pickett, Richard C.

July 1st started off with the sudden passing of Richard at the age of 57. He was a member of Clio Lodge No. 779 and is survived by his wife, Beth, 2 sons and 1 granddaughter.

Russell, Harold F.

Harold was a member of Craftsman/Robertson Lodge No. 969 at the time of his death on July 12th. His 2 sons, 6 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren survive him.

Bunn, Howard W.

July 16th was the date that death claimed Howard at the age of 86. He was a member of Webster Lodge No. 538 and leaves his son, and 2 granddaughters.

Kreutziger, A. Carl

Carl was a member of Damascus Temple Shrine when he died on July 16th. He leaves 2 daughters, 9 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

Carhart, Orrin Kenneth

Orrin passed away peacefully in his sleep on July 18th. He leaves 3 children, 4 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

Burrows, Allen "Jim"

A member of Germania Lodge No. 722, Allen died on July 19th in Arizona. He leaves 3 children and 5 grandchildren.

Gilmore, Robert D.

Robert entered Eternal Rest on July 20th at the age of 87. He was a member of Olive Branch Lodge No. 39 and is survived by his wife, Annie Mae, 4 children, 4 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

Wright, Windsor C.

Death claimed Windsor on July 20th. He was a member of Rochester Consistory, and Damascus Temple Shrine. Survivors include his wife, Jean, 2 daughters, and 2 granddaughters.

Schrader, Charles W., Jr.

Valley/Simes Lodge No. 109 lost a member with the passing of Charles on July 22nd. He leaves his wife, Doris, and 4 children.

Sloman, Richard J.

July 24th was the day Richard died at the age of 81. He was a member of ERAC Lodge No. 163 and survivors include his 4 children, and 3 grandchildren.

Perrigo, Jack H.

Jack died suddenly on July 28th. He was a member of Northfield Lodge No. 426 and is survived by 2 daughters and 4 grandchildren.

Allen, C. Henry

Henry was called Home on July 29th. He was a member of Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge No. 1088 and leaves his wife, Helen, 4 children and 7 grandchildren.

Tobin, Minnie B.

Minnie was a member of Rochester Chapter No. 314, OES when she died on July 29th at her home in Texas. She was 94 years old and leaves a loving family.

Lickers, James H.

The Grand Architect claimed James on July 30th. He was a member of Northfield Lodge No. 426 and is survived by his wife, Dorothy, 3 children, and 7 grandchildren.

August

Gividen, George R.

Rochester Consistory lost a member with the passing of George on August 1st at his home in Florida. He was 89 years old. He is survived by his wife, Helen, 2 sons, 10 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

Ballard, Harold L.

Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge No. 1088, Rochester Consistory and Damascus Temple Shrine all lost a member with the passing of Harold on August 3rd. Two children and 3 grandchildren survive him.

Kilton, Richard W.

Richard entered peacefully into rest on August 5th. He was a member of Craftsman/Robertson Lodge No. 969 and leaves his wife, JoAnn, children and 11 grandchildren.

Lang, Leonard J.

Leonard was called Home on August 6th. He was a member of Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge No. 1088 and Rochester Consistory. Surviving are his wife, Marie, 1 daughter and 2 grandchildren.

Bogart, Theodore W.

August 14th was the date Theodore died at the age of 79. He was a member of Rochester Consistory and Damascus Temple Shrine. Survivors include his wife, Onolee, daughter and 2 grandsons.

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

Wheeler, Warren W.

Warren was a member of West Star Lodge No. 413 at the time on his death, May 31st.

Judd, Donald S.

A member of Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge No. 1088, Donald died July 4th at his home in Alabama.

Frishie, Clare L., Jr.

Rochester Consistory lost a member with the passing of Clare on July 10th.

Hooper, Donald

July 27th was the date of Donald's passing at the Masonic Home in Utica. He was a member of ERAC No. 163.

Prince, John R.

John was a member of Monroe Lodge No. 173 and was called Home on August 9th.

Lynch, George W.

George was a member of Etolian Lodge No. 479 when he passed away August 14th at his home in Arizona.

Masonic Activities Looking Ahead

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Oct. 13 Grand Lecturer's Convention, Fairport
Oct. 14 Grand Master's Town Meeting, DTT
Oct. 14 Grand Master's Ball, Buffalo
Oct. 19 Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Awards Night
Oct. 21 Triangle Youth Event, DTT
Oct. 22 Interfaith Service and Breakfast, Logan's
Oct. 28 Testimonial Dinner-III. Bruce Widger, 33° Active,
Retiring A.A.S.R. Deputy for N.Y., Syracuse

Nov. 16 & 18 Scottish Rite Reunion, DTT

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Fame Lodge, 4275 Culver Rd., Rochester

John Rehback 338-7918

Northfield Lodge, 17 Church St., Pittsford - Cap. 80

Dan Walker - 429-6572, Bill Spillane - 436-0264, John Dudley - 586-6426

Webster Lodge, 30 Orchard St., Webster - Cap. 200

Frederick Cornell, Sr. 671-3102

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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For Sale: Drum Set-five piece w/ Snare & Trio Toms. Cam-Ride, Boom, Crash, Sizzle Cymbals. \$500 negotiable John Brugger, 637-5287 (h), 395-6095 x 4407 (w).

Rochester Forest

No. 133
Tall Cedars
of Lebanon

4th Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.
1822 Penfield Road
Penfield, New York 14526
Grand Tall Cedar
Ted Snyder



Donald C. Bell, Scribe

Fall will be upon us before we know it. I hope your Summer has been enjoyable and you have been able to accomplish everything that you had planned. I know I haven't, but it will be there when I get to it! The following are scheduled for the Fall, so mark your calendars if you haven't done so already.

September

Our first meeting/social event will be September 20th. This will feature our Annual Steak Roast. Bring a dish to pass and your own silverware/steak knives, etc. Festivities start at 5:00 p.m., with dinner around 6:30 p.m., at the Shrine Mosque on Bay Road. Reservations are a must, so pay attention when the notice comes from our Scribe. Hope to see you all there and don't forget to invite a potential new member, along with your spouse or significant other.

October

Our regular meeting at the Penfield Temple will be October 25th. If you would like to partake in dinner beforehand, meet at the Penfield Tavern at 6:00 p.m. for fellowship and good cheer. The meeting time is 7:30 p.m.

November

There will be a regular meeting, with dinner beforehand, at the Penfield Tavern on November 15th.

December

Our Annual Christmas Party at the Spring House on Monroe Avenue will be December 9th. Cocktails at 6:00 p.m. with dinner at 7:00 p.m. Bring an inexpensive gift for Santa to give out. Please note the date change from the trestleboard. More information to follow.

Brother Don Brugger thinks we should be performing our Degrees during the Fall season. We need new members and this would be an ideal time to do this. Please take some moments to think who you know who might enjoy this activity. It certainly is not time consuming and everyone seems to really enjoy our social functions.

If you have someone, please contact Don Bell or me for an application so we can plan to bring him into the Forest during the Fall. You should also invite them to the Sausage and Steak Roasts so they can get to know some of our members.

Watch for your e-mails and event notices. Please let me know if you have any news of our members which should be passed on to all of us.

Hope your Summer has been great so far.

Remember the Brotherhood Fund

September 2000
Subtle One Liners

Santa's elves are just a bunch of subordinate Clauses.

A waist is a terrible thing to mind.

Atheism is a non-prophet organization.

Chemistry Professors never die, they just smell that way!

Does the name Pavlov ring a bell?

Editing is a rewording experience.

Everyone is entitled to my opinion.

I used to be indecisive; now I'm not sure.

My reality check bounced.

Rap is to music what Etch-a-Sketch is to art!

What if there were no hypothetical questions?

No sense being pessimistic. It wouldn't work anyway.

Boycott shampoo!! Demand real poo!

When the chips are down, the buffalo are empty.


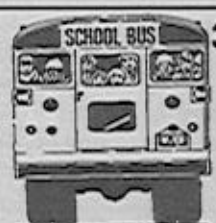




Air pollution is a mist-de-menor.

Help stamp out, delete, and eradicate superfluous redundancy.

September Gem - Sapphire
September Flower - Aster

Calendar September 2000

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