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Grand Master and Area Masons Rededicate Refurbished Livonia Lodge



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(Photo courtesy Skip Thorp)

By Gerald Pease

M. W. s Carl J. Smith, Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York, accompanied by seven members of the Grand Line, came to Rededicate the Lodge on Sunday, February 24th.

The special occasion for his visit was to honor the efforts of the Lodge in the restoration and beautification of the interior, following a near fatal fire in November, 1998.

The Rededication, incidentally, coincided with the 125th Anniversary of the Livonia Fraternity.

Benjamin Thorpe, Master of the Lodge, welcomed all and commended the Ceremonies at 3:00 p.m.

Masons for centuries have been known for their Dedication Ceremonies of Cornerstones of famous buildings, most notably, the Statue of Liberty.

Richard Brown reviewed the history of the Lodge, which was

chartered in 1877. He told the participants that local Masons, who traveled by horse and buggy to Lima for meetings, felt the need for a Lodge of their own in Livonia. At one time, there were close to 300 members in Livonia.

Credits and honors were given to those people and groups who had contributed time and money toward the renovation of the building after the 1998 fire.

Very special credits were given to Richard Wood for electrical work, Tom Fraser for engineering and Dave Ogden for interior designing.

The Grand Lodge gave a substantial amount of money to help make up the difference needed because of inadequate insurance on the building.

Allen Roggen, District Deputy for the Livingston District, expressed excitement for the organization and its commitment to high ideals.

Grand Master Smith concluded formalities by expressing thanks to the local Brothers. He said that the dedication of members of our Fraternity over the centuries has had a very favorable influence upon the history of mankind.

A Buffet meal followed in the main floor dining room. Ralph Parker and his able staff from the Livonia Inn served well over 100

people from Livingston and the surrounding counties.

An anniversary cake, cut by the Grand Master and Master, was served to conclude the meal.

All present expressed their congratulations and best wishes for the continued service of the Lodge to the community.

Masonic Family Family Day

By Jim Weick

The stage is set for the curtain to rise for the encore presentation of the now famous Masonic Family - Family Day. It will take place on April 7th, 2:00 p.m., just days after this paper reaches you.

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Proceeds from 2002 Have-a-Heart Campaign



A contingent of Masters, Wardens, and Grand Lodge Officers presented the proceeds from the 2002 Have-a-Heart Campaign to Bonnie Vahey, Executive Director of the local Ronald McDonald House. The Campaign this year was truly an area-wide effort with volunteers from many Masonic organizations in the surrounding Districts. Thanks to all who participated. (Photo Bonnie Vahey)

Once again the fine performances will happen in our very own Cathedral Hall. Families from about the county and the Fraternity will gather for an afternoon of entertainment. Everyone is encouraged to attend this final presentation that everyone has talked about since the curtain closed last year.

Tickets have been sent to all Lodges and organizations. If you need additional tickets, please contact me at 727-4731. Tickets will also be available at the door.

Special feature

As an added value to your day out, Phil Hurwitz has arranged to have informational displays of the Masonic Home, Masonic Medical Research Lab, Camp Turk, Veterans Services, Drug and Alcohol

Outreach, and the Livingston Memorial Library. What a great way to learn more about so many important programs that the Fraternity supports.

This year we will also be having ice cream to top off the event and round out your afternoon. Lodges and organizations are encouraged to attend in groups to enjoy this entertaining event. Let the show begin!

Interfaith Service and Brunch

By Linda Zahn, Chairwoman
Nominations are needed for an honoree to receive the Distinguished Community Service Award. Letters have been sent to all the Lodges, Eastern Star Chapters and Concordant Bodies (45 letters) asking for nominations. They should be submitted to me at 6 Van Cortland Drive, Pittsford, NY 14534-3016, by May 1st.

A one page typewritten resume of the nominee's qualifications, plus the name of the group or person nominating them, is the acceptable format. They are needed as soon as possible so that the Committee has time to go through them.

Thanks you all for your help.

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Editor's Corner

By Don Brugger
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Lookie, lookie

The identity of the Brother standing next to the HAH display on the front page of the March issue was none other than Pierre Dube from Northfield Lodge.

Take a look

As I mentioned in the March issue, we have changed almost all of the organizational logos. If you read my Editor's Corner, you will remember that I asked all those whose names and phone numbers appear in these logos to check them out. I got one response a few days after the paper was in the mail. I am waiting for more shoes to fall; don't disappoint me.

More on logos

You may have noticed that some Lodge logos have a Square and Compasses and no picture of the Master. The S & C is a substitute for the Master, hoping that at some point in time the Master will supply a picture to us. Just thought you would like to know.

Anonymous

I received a letter from an irate reader objecting to something we printed. I do not mention the article because the writer did not sign his name or include a return address. It seems to me that a person so vehement in his objection to the content of the piece would at the very least have the intestinal fortitude to let me know who he is.

Information

The transfer of information is what this publication is all about. Authors, please make this function your prime objective. It is perfectly legitimate to try to make your column entertaining as well. However, don't let "private piques or grudges" confuse the message to your Brethren. Anything questionable (you will be contacted, if possible, on this) will not be printed.

Canes

Several Brothers have asked for the address of George the "Cane Man" Kelley. It is:
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Once again, your Chairman and I had the privilege of attending another Eagle Scout Recognition Luncheon. It was our pleasure to present a \$3,000 check to help support America's future. Ange DiCataldo gave a short and inspiring message as he presented the check.

We are going to need many volunteers during the year to get ready for the move. Will you be one of them? An interesting piece of news - the School District is moving out of the Temple this year.

Remember, you are never alone. He is always there. It is only on your knees that you truly learn to stand.

Your Legal Rights FYI
By Phillip Hurwitz, Esq.

Do we try him as an adult?

Violent crimes, when allegedly committed by children, leave us all stunned as a community. What could possess a child to murder a parent? Answers to these questions are best left to those who study these issues. The scope of this article will focus on what happens to a 13 year old accused of murder.

If a 13 year old murders his father, the State can choose to prosecute the child in either family court or criminal court. Upon being arrested, the child's surviving parent, or other guardian, is entitled to immediate notice of the arrest, and where the child is being detained. The child cannot be detained in an adult jail, instead, the child is to be detained in a juvenile holding facility.

Upon arrest, the child is brought before a town or village judge for arraignment (or a City Court if the offense occurs in a city that has one). At the arraignment, the child is informed of the charges, and a not guilty charge is entered. Unless some relative hires an attorney, one will be assigned to represent the child.

At the arraignment, the child is entitled to a preliminary hearing (referred to as a PH). A PH is a hearing to determine if there is reasonable cause to believe that the child has committed a felony offense. If reasonable cause is found, then the judge will order the child held for action of the Grand Jury. At this time, the judge will decide whether to continue detaining the child without bail, or allow his release conditioned upon bail being posted to secure future court appearances.

The Grand Jury will hear evidence and decide if there is reasonable cause to believe that the child murdered his father. Before an indictment is voted upon, the prosecutor can decide to have the prosecution transferred to family court.

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Alternatively, the defense can petition a superior court (County or Supreme Court) to transfer the prosecution to Family Court. This would occur if the prosecutor indicates he will not ask for a transfer from criminal to Family Court.

Prosecuting a child in Family Court cannot result in a criminal conviction. The worst outcome for a child found guilty of an offense, which if committed by an adult would be considered a crime, is to be found a juvenile delinquent. A finding of juvenile delinquency is not considered a crime. The child's record in Family Court is sealed.

If sentenced to incarceration for murdering his father, the child will be detained in a juvenile detention facility, for a period of at least 5 years, but in no event beyond his 21st birthday.

Once the Grand Jury hands down a murder indictment, then only the prosecutor can consent to removing this prosecution to Family Court. If the child's prosecution isn't transferred to Family Court, and if he is convicted of murder, then he must be sentenced as an adult.

A 13 year old convicted of murder would be sentenced to a prison term ranging from 5 years to life up to 9 years to life. This child would serve the minimum portion of his prison term in a juvenile detention facility up until his 18th birthday, and thereafter finish the remaining portion of his minimum term in an adult prison. If this child were sen-

tenced to a term of 9 years to life, and he was 14 at the time of sentencing, then he would serve the first 4 years of his sentence in a juvenile facility, and the remaining portion of his sentence in an adult prison. He would become eligible for parole after completing 9 years imprisonment.

places like Wal-Mart, K-Mart, and Target.

Your will, power of attorney, health care proxy, trust documents, and other legal papers should be on file with your lawyer, but you'll probably want to keep copies of these documents in your home files and give copies to your personal representative or executor.

Keep records of stock purchases used for determining cost basis, income tax returns and supporting documents, insurance policies, warranties, and receipts for home improvements in your home filing cabinet where they're easy to access if you need them. You can throw away individual stock confirmations after reconciling your purchases and sale to your monthly or quarterly statements, but be sure to keep the statements!

Credit card statements, receipts, and similar items can be tossed quarterly if you won't need them for tax purposes. Consider shredding these and other sensitive records before putting them in the trash to protect yourself from identity theft and fraud.

One last idea I recently received by e-mail was to take all of your credit cards, licenses and other documents you carry in your wallet or purse and make a photocopy of both front and back. Place the copies in a safe place and you'll have a great reference if you ever have your wallet or purse stolen.

Money Tips

By Dave Larson

If you're like most people, you've got lots of paper. Some of it you need to keep, and some of it you don't. Here are some tips on what to hang on to and the best place to store it.

A safe deposit box at your bank or a fireproof box in your home should hold all of your important papers. These include birth certificates for you and your family members, marriage and divorce documents, naturalization papers, adoption papers, and death certificates. You may also want to keep property deeds and vehicle titles there as well. If you still haven't given up holding those fancy pieces of paper yourself, you should keep stock certificates and bonds in the safe. (Keeping them in street name with your broker is best.) I recommend buying a small fireproof safe that you can keep tucked away in a closet in your house. A local company, Sentry, manufactures fireproof safes of different sizes, and they're available at



I heard the beeper sounding off in the office which meant someone was trying to reach me. On the machine was a woman's voice saying, "Tom, can you come over, my husband believes something is wrong with one of the switches in the kitchen." Upon arriving there he showed me what was happening, it was a bad switch, the old mercury type they made years ago. They are now illegal as they have a tendency to short out or blow up. I replaced the switch and the husband had a smile on his face. He is always worried about a fire because he has young children and his house is wired with aluminum wire which is illegal in most states.

New venture

This being accomplished he said, "Tom can you look at the garage, I have started to wire it for a shop and would like to have you hook up the wires to outlets and switches." I inspected the wiring while he was standing next to me, proud as a peacock for what he had done. You should have seen the look on his face when I told him everything he did was not to code and would never pass inspection. He had installed the wiring trying to keep the cost of the job down.

He told me an electrician from work told him how to do the wiring. The first thing he did was to drill a hole in the middle of the face plate below the threshold of the door, then he ran the wire across the face board into a small junction box (called a handy box), then up the wall. I told him the wire had to be protected by pipe because it was exposed and someone could cut it. The wire had to be moved from the face board, a new hole drilled and the wire fed into the back of a larger junction box.

The next area to be looked at was the shop lights he had hung on the rafters. Shop lights are equipped with short cords and cap to plug into a receptacle. The caps were cut off and the wires spliced together with a piece of romex spliced to them neatly taped and that run to a junction box. The wiring was a complete nightmare. I asked him why he did it that way and he told me he watched an electrician do it that way and he thought it was done properly. I asked him if his friend had a license and his answer was no. I left him with the proper instructions as to how it should be done and asked him to call me when the job had been completed.

Time lapse

After two weeks I received a phone call from him and was asked to complete the work. I took one look at the job and asked him what he had done. The wire from the face board was still there, claiming he was going to fir out to cover the wire with a board. The wire was put into piping, but picture this. He had put a 4 inch round box in place of the handy box, punched out the blank on top of the box, took a short piece of thin wall pipe, wrapped black tape to the end of the pipe and screwed the pipe into the box with the tape acting as threads.

About 2 feet from that he installed a plumbers coupling, tapped the end of the pipe and screwed it into the coupling, took another piece 2 feet long and taped the end and screwed it into a plumbers elbow, another 2 feet of pipe taped and screwed into

another elbow, always using the tape as threads. He was supposed to use #12/2/grd (20 amp) wire, but seeing it would not fit into the plumbers fittings dropped to a #14/2/grd (15 amp) wire.

Not knowing how to run a switch leg and a hot wire together, he ran two separate cables from one box to the other, which overcrowded the switch boxes. To hold the pipe to the wall he drove nails and then bent them over to hold the pipe. He also did this to hold the romex. He used 2 inch dry wall screws to hold the switch boxes to the studs, driving them into the side of the box. He had tried to put power to the wiring with a ground fault outlet to see if his wiring was done correctly, every time he plugged it in it would trip. The drywall screws were shorting out against the switches and outlets. All of the switches and outlets I removed had black burn marks on them. After the third try to get power to the wiring, always tripping the breaker, he stopped, figuring he must have done something wrong.

Do-it-yourself?

I asked him why he used plumbing fittings and he replied that he had them lying around and thought he would save money. These were new fittings I found out he purchased as the name of the supply house was on the sticker.

Redo

I informed him everything was illegal, not up to code, and had to be removed. It took six hours to redo what he did when it would have only taken 2 - 3 hours to do it properly from the beginning.

Panelbox

I went into the basement to install the wire into the panelbox. What he had done was to run a size 10 cable (30 amp) for 15 feet, then down to a size 12 cable (20 amp), then down to a size 14 cable (15 amp). These were all small pieces he had picked up from his shop and figured he would start from the large size, worked down to the smaller one, and used a 30 amp breaker. You can figure out what happened to these wires.

Happy wife

The project was completed with a sigh of relief from his wife, who at the very beginning told him it would be less expensive for me to do it. Then I jokingly told him that with the money he would have saved he could have wine and dined her. She said he was going to do just that for not listening to her.

Qualified persons

The code used to say "only qualified person to work on electrical equipment and devices". This covered do-it-yourself persons. Qualified could mean you can remove a wire, replace a wire, switch or outlets. Now the code states "only properly trained, instructed and experienced personnel are to work on electrical equipment and wiring, especially if it is not in your field of work." Many states are now requiring personnel to have a license to cover the work you are doing. That means a residential electrician can't do commercial or industrial work.

Final word

If you decide to do the work yourself, make sure you know the code, have experience and listen to your wife, I am sure you will be better off in the long run, especially if you take her out to dinner. Happy electrons. □



Acacia Village...fact or fiction!

Acacia Village, the Independent Retirement Community at the Masonic Home, will be celebrating its 8th year this coming October. Throughout these past years our rates and policies have varied only slightly. We have made presentations at Lodges throughout the State, toured many Brethren through the Campus and have written numerous articles explaining the fees and services. However, the rumors still prevail. I have heard everything from, "Acacia Village costs \$200,000 for a down payment and \$3,000 a monthly rent" to "you have to turn over all your assets and the rent is over \$2,000 for a small apartment". That is fiction!

Here are the facts

Deposit-To become a resident of Acacia Village you must complete an application accompanied by a fully refundable deposit of \$900 and a one-time, non-refundable application fee of \$100 (total, \$1,000). If you decide to move into Acacia Village, the \$900 is credited toward the required security deposit of one month's rent. If you decide not to make a move, your \$900 is refunded.

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Monthly Fees-Fees are based on style and size of apartment. One bedroom standard-fees range from \$1,595 to \$1,650. One bedroom deluxe-fees range from \$1,855 to \$2,110. One bedroom with den-one style at \$2,215.

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Indoor swimming pool, Jacuzzi and sauna.
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Billiard and Game Room.
Beauty salon/barbershop.
Outdoor terraces and walking paths around the pond.

There you have it...the facts on Acacia Village. We offer a variety of services and amenities in a beautiful and caring environment. If you have not visited Acacia Village and the Masonic Campus, be sure to make it a priority for this Summer. For further information, please contact our leasing Coordinator, Cindy Dardano at 800-593-3353. □

Masonic Presidents

James Buchanan

James Buchanan, our 15th President (1857-1861), was born on April 23, 1791, near Mercersburg, PA. When 23, he petitioned Lodge No. 43 of Lancaster, PA (the Lodge had no name). He was initiated on Dec. 11, 1816, both passed and raised on Jan. 24, 1817. He was elected Master Dec. 23, 1822, and was appointed District Deputy Grand Master for Lancaster, Lebanon and York Counties, Dec. 27, 1823.

He delivered the address in the Masonic Dedication of the Statue of George Washington, Washington Circle, Washington, D.C. on Feb. 22, 1860. □

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If you're like most Americans, you have a vision of how you'll spend your golden years. It may be as exotic as traveling to far-off destinations or as modest as spending more time with your family and friends. Amazingly, however, 60% of all Americans put their future at risk by postponing retirement planning altogether.* A serious mistake when you'll be spending 20 years or more in retirement. After all, a nest egg of just \$100,000 could last 9 years.**

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**District Deputy
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Livingston District**



R.W.
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I am writing this article from Florida where Patricia and I are spending a couple of weeks. At this moment we are not getting away from the cold. The weather here has been up and down in temperature and quite windy. What's the saying? You can run, but you can't hide!

125th Anniversary

Congratulations to Livonia Lodge on a splendid Rededication and 125th Anniversary Celebration. The Grand Master and his companion officers are to be commended for their fine participation in the Ceremony. They have visited Livingston District several times in the last two years and have helped to make us feel less distant from Grand Lodge. Thanks to R.W. Gerry Pease for his pictures and publicity efforts.

Benevolence

Livingston District has recently given \$600 more in support of the Theresa Hospice House in Geneseo. Our District was instrumental in starting this Hospice House by generous donations of both money and physical labor. It has been a great asset to the area. Some of our own members have benefited because of the Theresa House.

As a District, we have also given scholarships to youth for attendance at Camp Turk and participation in cultural exchange programs. Local DARE Programs have received aid from the District.

Individual Lodges have given scholarships to graduating high school seniors from profits of local youth talent shows. Young and old alike are beneficiaries of Masonic benevolence.

Officers

April portends to be a busy month of preparations for Grand Lodge on May 6th and 7th. As the term of office of the current Grand Officers and Lodge Officers winds down, we are trying to complete the good intentions we had when we took office. I doubt there will be enough time left, but they were sure good intentions, weren't they? Oh well, we'll just have to continue to work on them in support of the new officers' goals.

Be Brotherly. Live Masonry every minute of your life. □

**Livonia
Lodge No. 778**



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**Rededication and 125th
Anniversary**

What a day! We could not have had a better day for our celebration. Mother Nature cooperated and gave us sunshine and almost Spring like conditions. With over one hundred people in attendance, the Grand Master, M.W. Carl J. Smith, and seven

**District Deputy
Grand Master
Ontario/Seneca/Yates
District**



R.W. Clayton R. Ruggles
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As I was preparing for this column, I sadly observed the recent passing of a Masonic Brother who received his 50 Year Pin while gravely ill. It made me think of times when Brothers eligible for service pins and/or certificates, scheduled to be given at some time in the future, died before they received them. I strongly encourage you to consider giving these pins as soon as the recipients earn them. You might want to schedule a formal group presentation at a later time, but don't let our Brothers wait for what they so richly deserve.

Upcoming OSY District events

Friday, April 5th, is the OSY Charities at 6:30 p.m., Miller's Essenhaus.

Tuesday, April 9th, the 3rd Degree at Eagle No. 619.

Thursday, April 11th, the 3rd Degree at Milnor No. 139.

Sunday, April 14th, Communion Breakfast at 8:00 a.m. at St. Peter's, Geneva.

Tuesday, April 16th, 3rd Degree Historical Lecture at Garoga/Sincerity No. 200.

Friday, April 19th, DeWitt Clinton Awards at Lakeshore Party House in Canandaigua.

Sunday, April 28th, DeWitt Clinton Award at Ark Lodge No. 33.

To anyone interested in attending the DeWitt Clinton Awards presentation to three individuals, Helen Gladwin, Edward Dwyer, and Ralph Kahle, for volunteer work at the Canandaigua VAMC. Dinner will be on Friday, April 19th, at the Lakeshore Party House in Canandaigua, with cocktails at 6:00 p.m. and dinner at 7:00 p.m.

members of the Grand Line, performed the Rededication Ceremony. I, for one, never thought that our building would have been ready by this time, nor look as good as it does.

The Lodge room and the rest of the upstairs have not looked this good since the building was new in 1910! Afterwards we adjourned downstairs for dinner and fellowship. The meal was catered by the Livonia Inn and was, indeed, sumptuous.

The Grand Master commented on our stained glass window and asked us to take pictures

The Grand Master and Grand Marshal will be in attendance. Menu choices include Roast Sirloin with Bordelaise Sauce or Stuffed Chicken Breast for \$25 per person. Checks are payable to OSY District Masonic Charities, Inc. Contact Don Dill at 607-869-9359, Henry Funk at 315-539-8351, Eldon White at 585-934-1603, or Clayton Ruggles at 315-548-3573 for tickets and reservations ASAP.

Reservations for the District Communion Breakfast need to be made. Cost of the Breakfast will be \$5.00 per person. Call me by April 10th.

I again encourage you to attend as many of these events as possible. Our Lodge and District functions continue to be an opportunity for you to expand your Masonic horizons and extend fellowship within the Fraternity. □

**Canandaigua
Lodge No. 294**
1st & 3rd
Mon.
Master
W. Ed Hall
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Secretary
R.W. George N. Stanton, Jr.
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Shortsville, NY

How about this weather? Hang in there, one more month and we will be into Spring.

Degrees

We had a 1st Degree on March 4th. The 2nd Degree was at Milnor Lodge No. 139 in Victor on Thursday, March 28th and the 3rd will be on April 11th, also at Milnor.

Awards

On April 19th we are giving three DeWitt Clinton Awards, two Fifty Year Pins and three 40 Year Pins. These Awards will be presented at a gala evening at the Lakeshore House in Canandaigua. The Grand Master, M.W. Carl J. Smith, will present the DeWitt Clinton Awards and the 50 Year Pins.

and submit them with a brief history to the Livingston Library. Apparently there are not too many Masonic windows in the State and he would like to catalog all of them, if possible. As he said, we need to preserve our heritage.

I thank all those people who helped plan and execute our celebration. For those who painted the stairs, mopped the floors, prepared the program, washed the dishes and put them away, made the centerpieces, etc., you all did a great job. You know who you are. Again, thanks! □



R.W. Allen Roggen-DDGM, Livingston, M.W. Carl J. Smith-Grand Master, and W. Benjamin Thorp-Master, Livonia Lodge at the Rededication.

The recipients of the DeWitt Clinton Awards are: Ralph Kahle, Edward Dwyer and Helen Gladwin (99 years old), who volunteered at the VA Hospital.

The 50 Year Pins go to Brothers Phillip E. Thomas, Jr., and Frank Garganzola.

The 40 Year Pins go to Brothers Stewart J. North, Joseph D. Nye, II and R.W. George N. Stanton, Jr.

Tickets for this event are \$25.00 per person and can be purchased by calling Ed Hall at 585-289-3395, Don Dill at 607-869-9359, Henry Funk at 315-539-8351 or C. Ruggles at 315-548-3573.

The menu is Roast Beef or Stuffed Chicken Breast. Cocktails are at 6:00 p.m., with dinner at 7:00 p.m.

This event is being sponsored by our Lodge and OSY Charities. I encourage my Brothers who read this to come and enjoy a night of great fellowship. □

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Lodge No. 139

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Activity update

Ten of our widows attended the Masonic Widows Luncheon at Logan's Party House on March 16th. From all accounts, a good time was had by all. Thank you to all who provided transportation and company for our widows.

A successful 1st Degree was conferred on two candidates on February 28th. Brother Steve Harwood presided in the East and he thanks all the Brothers who participated.

Dues

Brothers, please check your dues cards. If they are not showing the year 2002, you are past due. Please remit as soon as possible for the Lodge's benefit. Thank you.

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Degrees

Two 2nd Degree rehearsals were held in March, with the conferral on March 28th. Brother Bob Meuler presided in the East.

A reminder that conferral of the 3rd Degree will be Thursday, April 11th at 6:00 p.m. A dinner will be served after the first section by our Sisters of GAH-A-YAW-DUK Chapter 566, OES. Rehearsal will be held Thursday, April 4th, at 7:00 p.m. □

**Prevent the
Problem**

This is really good advice, so I am passing it on to you.

Place the contents of your wallet on a photocopy machine, do both sides of each license, credit card, etc. You will know what you had in your wallet and all of the account numbers and phone numbers to call and cancel. Keep the photocopy in a safe place.

A corporate attorney sent this out to the employees in his company. I pass it along for your information.

We've all heard horror stories about fraud that's committed in your name, address, Social Security number, credit, etc. Unfortunately, I (the author of this piece who happens to be an attorney) have firsthand knowledge because my wallet was stolen and within a week thief(s) ordered an expensive monthly cell phone package, applied for a VISA credit card, had a credit line approved to buy a Gateway computer, received a PIN number from D.M.V. to change my driving record information online, and more.

But here's some critical information to limit the damage in case this happens to you or someone you know. As everyone always advises, cancel your credit cards immediately, but the key is having the toll free numbers and your card numbers handy so you know whom to call. Keep those where you can find them easily. But also file a police report immediately in the jurisdiction where it was stolen, this proves to credit providers you were diligent, and is a first step toward an investigation (if there ever is one.)

But here's what is perhaps most important: (I never ever thought to do this). Call the three national credit reporting organizations immediately to place a fraud alert on your name and SS number.

I had never heard of doing that until advised by a bank that called to tell me an application for credit was made over the Internet in my name. The alert means any company that checks your credit knows your information was stolen and they have to contact you by phone to authorize new credit. By the time I was advised to do

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District Deputy Grand Master



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"Fail to plan; plan to fail" is an adage so common in our time that youngsters in grammar school can recite it and have a reasonably good sense of its meaning. Even children's books have plans that develop excitement based on this shibboleth. One would think that by this time, planning would be a thoroughly ingrained skill at all levels of society - but it isn't. Its absence is particularly noticeable in our Lodges and general Masonic undertakings, causing the Masonic experience to be compromised by all whom it touches. Ongoing compromise of the Masonic experience is the surest way I know to ruin the Craft. It is incumbent on every leader in the Craft (and by every leader I mean any Brother who assumes responsibility for some aspect of Lodge or jurisdictional Masonic activity - from the Grand Master to the Tiler at the door) to carry out his responsibilities in accordance with the plan developed for his position.

Despite the simplicity of the adage above, planning is not simple. Planning is ongoing, participative, resource dependent, consensus building, and goal driven. Effective planning increases the likelihood of success and creates a map against which to evaluate outcomes. Continuous improvement ("making good men better") has ever been the watchword for Brethren and Lodges; it is only through planning that we can monitor our efforts to continuously improve. In this era of precipitously declining membership we really have no other choice than to become better planners. Every Brother has the right to expect his leaders to be developing and following plans designed to improve the quality of his Masonic experience. Every potential Masonic leader should be prepared to develop and share the plan by which he intends to use in meeting his responsibility.

Grand Lodge notes May 6-7

Lodges whose Masters are not attending, but who wish to send a proxy need to notify Grand Lodge.

Travel arrangements are being coordinated by Derek VanHouten for the Monroe District.

A proposition is being offered for the 2nd reading allowing 18 year old males to petition a Lodge.

A proposition is being offered for the first reading that would mandate the use of the honorific "Brother", except when actually serving in an elective or appointed office. (Example: In office "Most Worshipful" Carl J. Smith, or "Most Worshipful" Grand Master; out of office, "Brother" Carl J. Smith).

I have reservation information for those planning to attend the Grand Master's Dinner.

Reminder: Lodges may not hold Summoned Election meetings prior to the close of Grand Lodge on May 7, 2002.

Monroe District Masonic Family Day - April 7th

Monroe District Masonic Family Day will start at 2:00 p.m. in Cathedral Hall at the Downtown Temple. It is a music and entertainment program for the whole family and will feature the Shrine Clowns, Stringplicity, and the endlessly energetic Greece Athena Show Choir. Ice cream will be available after the performance, according to Jim Weick, the Program organizer.

"Last year's program was very well received by those in attendance," he said, "so we wanted to go back to the performers who did such a great job then." The Show Choir will feature several new performers and a completely new program for the 2002 season.

This is a good opportunity to introduce family and friends to the Masonic Family here in the Monroe District. Tickets are available from the Masters and Secretaries of Lodges or they can be purchased at the door the day of the event.

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Annual Installation

All officers of a Masonic Lodge are installed following the Annual Election. The date of the installation may be the same evening of the election, but it is usually held at a later date. Plans for the installation are usually made by the Master, the Master-elect, and the Installation Team. It is the prerogative of the Master to install his successor. Responsibility for designating the Installation Team and designing the program lies with the Master. However, the Master of the Lodge should respect the wishes of the Master-elect. Installations can either be tiled or open, depending on the needs and wishes of the Lodge. The Installation Team should be guided by the "Standard Monitor" and/or the Ritual.

Planning my installation

Following is a list of some typical questions/hints in planning your installation:

- Date, time, dinner.
- Tiled or open.
- RSVP to whom.
- Printed program and trestle-board to hand out.
- Grand Lodge Officers attending.

Arrange for proxies.

- Invite fellow Masters.
- Prepare Installation Address.
- Plan/purchase/present Past Master's Apron.
- Plan reception/refreshments.
- Rehearsal.

Following is a list of a typical Installation Program

- Installing Officers (usually Past Masters).
- Installing Master
- Installing Marshal
- Installing Chaplain
- Entrance of Officers
- Invocation
- Installation of the Tiler
- Installation of the Historian
- Installation of the Organist/Chorister
- Installation of the Marshal
- Installation of the Stewards

Installation of the Masters of Ceremony

- Installation of the Senior and Junior Deacons
- Installation of the Trustee(s)
- Installation of the Chaplain
- Installation of the Secretary (and assistant)
- Installation of the Treasurer (and assistant)
- Installation of the Junior Warden
- Installation of the Senior Warden
- Installation of the Master
- Prayer
- Proclamation
- Benediction
- Master's Remarks
- Presentations

Source: "The 24 Inch Gauge" by the Committee on Leadership and Educational Services-June 1998 Edition.

Lodge Organization and the Ballot

As a Master Mason, you should be knowledgeable of Lodge organization and how it functions. A Lodge is composed of at least seven Master Masons. A Charter, granted to the Lodge by Grand Lodge, empowers it to confer the three Degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry, and to carry on activities necessary to the business and functions of Masonry. A Lodge can keep its Charter only if it works and acts according to the traditions and usages specified by Grand Lodge.

A petitioner must meet the following to receive the Degrees:

1. He must have resided in New York State for at least one year.
2. He must believe in God and "Immortality of the Soul."
3. He must receive an affirmative ballot of the Lodge after being investigated.

There is statewide concurrent jurisdiction in New York, meaning that you can join any Lodge in the State. Plural membership is allowed, meaning that you can belong to as many Lodges as you desire as long as each Lodge accepts you by ballot, and you pay dues to each.

Every Lodge is governed by Grand Lodge (the highest Masonic Body statewide) according to the laws, rules and regulations in the Book of Constitutions. Each Lodge also has its own distinctive By-Laws for its self-government, which are approved by Grand Lodge. These are the By-Laws you must sign to become a member of a Lodge.

The Lodge functions through the elected Officers and Trustees and through committees and additional officers appointed by the Worshipful Master. Elections are held during the last Stated Communication of the year, and all members present are required to vote. The elected Officers are the Worshipful Master, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Treasurer, Secretary and one of more Trustees. Those appointed can be replaced by the Worshipful Master at any time during the year for due cause; the judgement of due cause being entirely up to the Worshipful Master. Appointed officers are usually the Senior and Junior Deacons, Senior and Junior Masters of Ceremony, two Stewards, Marshal, Chaplain, Organist and Tiler.

The Worshipful Master has complete executive power, and controls the operation of the Lodge at all times. The Senior Warden is second in rank, and presides when the Worshipful Master is absent. If the Worshipful Master can no longer perform his duties, the Senior Warden

takes over all his responsibilities and duties except those pertaining to the installation of officers. The Junior Warden presides if both the Worshipful Master and the Senior Warden are absent; and if both can no longer perform, the Junior Warden takes over. Neither the Worshipful Master nor Wardens may resign their office under any circumstances, nor can the Master be formally replaced until the next annual elections.

The duties of the Secretary, Treasurer, Chaplain and Organist are basically described by their titles. The Senior and Junior Deacons carry messages, attend to alarms, take care of visitors, and assist the Master and Wardens in many ways. The main function of the Masters of Ceremony is to prepare candidates for the Degrees. The Stewards assist the Junior Warden in all Lodge social affairs.

A Lodge meeting is called a communication. It can be a regular, or stated, meeting, a summoned meeting or a special meeting. Stated Communications are held at regular intervals as specified in the Lodge By-Laws. A Summoned Communication can be either a stated or special meeting. The only business that can be transacted at a special meeting is that specified in the written notice as the reason for the calling of the meeting. Degrees can be conferred at a Stated or Special Communication, but not usually at a Summoned Communication when very important business would be on the agenda. A Master Mason must attend a Summoned Meeting of his Lodge, if within the length of his Cabletow.

As A Master Mason, you are eligible to attend any Lodge in this jurisdiction, or any Lodge in other states and countries that are recognized by the Grand Lodge of New York. When you are visiting, if no Mason present can vouch for you by stating that he has sat with you in a Masonic Lodge meeting, then you must be tested orally or examined to prove you are a Mason. You will also be required to show your paid-up dues card. You should also know that your admission as a visitor is a privilege, not a right. Visitors are admitted only by consent of the Worshipful Master. If some particularly sensitive issues are on the agenda, he may choose to bar all visitors.

At a Lodge meeting, you should wear your Apron on the outside of your suit jacket. Never hide it inside. Most Brothers who don't have a personal special Apron use those provided by the Lodge at each meeting.

If the Lodge is not yet open when you enter the Lodge room, take a seat on the sidelines. When the Master raps the gavel to bring the Lodge to order, all conversations must stop. During the Opening Ritual, you will be required to give the password of Master Mason to one of the Deacons; so always be prepared accordingly.

If you arrive at a Lodge after it has been already opened, there are two prerequisites for admission. First you must properly clothe yourself by putting on your Apron. Then the Tiler must make an alarm and obtain permission to admit you. When admitted into the Lodge room, go directly to the Altar and determine on which Degree the Lodge is open by observing the position of the Square and Compasses on the Bible. Then salute the Worshipful Master with the sign of that Degree.

The Master uses the gavel to signal the Lodge. One rap of the gavel brings the Lodge to order; two raps brings the officers of the Lodge to standing attention; and three raps brings all the Lodge to standing attention. One rap again seats all who are standing.

During the opening and closing of the Lodge, you will have to give all the steps, due guards and signs of the three Degrees, in unison with all others in the Lodge, under the direction of the Worshipful Master.

The Sign of Fidelity of a Mason is a sign of respect, and should only be given when wearing your Apron, which would usually be at a Lodge meeting, but could also be at some special Masonic public event. The following are among the appropriate time to come to the Sign of Fidelity: whenever the Master speaks directly to you, or you to him; whenever a prayer is said; whenever the Flag of our Country is presented and when the Great Lights are opened or closed.

Once the Lodge has been opened, never cross the Lodge room between the Altar and the Worshipful Master, except at certain times, when participating in a Degree. This space between the Master and the Altar is called the Master's Carpet. It must always be clear because the Worshipful Master must have an unrestricted view of the Altar and the Great Lights at all times.

During a Communication, you may be asked to vote on certain proposed matters. To do this, you must know the traditional voting sign of a Master Mason as used in New York State. You are encouraged to use your right to vote, if you're undecided, you can abstain. If there is a vote on a petition for membership, you must ballot if present. If you are a visitor in a Lodge, you cannot vote or ballot.

The ballot box stands guard to keep out all those who aren't qualified. Your ballot must be secret. A white ball elects, and three black balls, or cubes, reject. It is un-Masonic for any member to cast a black ball out of any personal spite or private prejudice. To do so may deny a worthy candidate the great opportunity to be made a Mason. The basic considerations are the character and morality of the petitioner. As a general rule, one ballot elects for all three Degrees, but if he chooses, it is the right of a member to demand a separate ballot for each Degree.

It is a serious violation of the Book of Constitutions of our Grand Lodge to ever tell anyone how you balloted or how you intend to vote. Nor may there be any discussion of a candidate before balloting except for the recommendation of the Investigating Committee and the reading of the petition by the Secretary.

Through this brief outline, you now have some idea of the machinery and form of organization of a regular Masonic Lodge. However, it is just an outline, and can't begin to make you understand the potential for its rich life and many activities that its members may enjoy. We hope the you will enjoy your membership privileges, and we are confident that, if you choose to become involved, the enjoyment will exceed all your expectations.

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

Remember the Brotherhood Fund.

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MONROE

Our Masonic year is almost over and I know we are all looking forward to the Grand Lodge Convention in May. It promises to be exciting what with the Election of the new Grand Master and several new proposals being made. Of course, immediately following will be the Election of Officers and the Investiture Service.

Now is the time for the new line of officers to learn the Ritual of their new Stations and Places so they can start right off doing superb and well rehearsed Ritual for the many new candidates we expect to join our ranks in the coming year.

Remember, John and I are always at your service to assist with Degrees or rehearsals or anything to benefit the Craft. We hope to see you soon again at your Lodge. Friendship and Brotherly love are what it's all about!

Bureau of Masonic Education
Monroe District
Pres: V.W. John Zabel

Masonry on the Net

It was a cold and windy night. George was home and getting bored. The TV had nothing interesting on it and the next book he wanted to read had not arrived. He was beside himself. Then, in a flash, he thought about checking the Internet. George turned his computer on and logged into his Internet Service Provider. But, what to look for?

George checked his e-mail. Nothing exciting there and he had nothing to send to anyone he knew. Another flash. "Why don't I look at Masonic web sites and see what's out there in cyberspace." In thinking about where to start, George decided to go to the Freemasonry.org web site. He knew that there were links to other sites on this site and that it was probably a good starting point. After reaching the web site, he decided to look at the links. He found Grand Lodge web sites, Lodge web sites, and Concordant and related Body web sites listed.

The first sites he decided to check out were the Grand Lodge sites starting with those in the United States. To make things interesting, he decided to keep notes on his impression of the various Grand Lodge web sites he visited. This proved to be great fun as each site was different from every other Grand Lodge web site. He then decided to visit Grand Lodge sites outside the country. This also proved to be very interesting, especially those web sites that allowed the selection of a language. George made his own notes on these sites.

Next he decided to look at the web sites for the Lodges in New York that were listed, either on the Grand Lodge or Freemasonry.org sites. There were Lodge sites that were way out of date. There were sites that were very current, down to pictures of their last public

event. George made notes on the sites visited. In a couple of cases he sent the webmaster of the site an e-mail note on the need to update some sites.

After looking at the Lodge sites for New York, he picked Ohio and started to go through the Ohio Lodge site. He was looking at one site, reviewing the pictures of the Lodge Officers, when he saw a familiar face and name. Thinking back, he remembered where he knew the face and name. The picture was of the Senior Warden of a Lodge who he had last seen as a Junior Master of Ceremony in a sister Lodge in his District. The Brother had worked with George on several District activities years ago. This encouraged George to send the Brother an e-mail reintroducing himself. George didn't expect an immediate answer.

Finally, George was getting tired, it was close to bed time, so he logged off and shut down the computer. The next day he found a reply to his e-mail. This started an e-mail conversation that is still active today.

What's happening

Your Bureau has sent donation requests to the Lodge Secretaries in the Monroe District. If there is a Secretary who has not received the letter, please contact me at 223-3228.

This Summer the leadership of the Bureau will be changing. There will be new officers in place and new programs to plan and execute. If you would like to volunteer to be on the Leadership Team, contact Jim De Lorenzo or me. We always look forward to serving the educational needs of the Brethren in the Monroe and surrounding Districts. Senior Wardens are encouraged to contact the Bureau for assistance in planning programs for their year as Master.

Monroe District Masters & Wardens Assoc.



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Is there too much Masonry? A few *Masonic Times* issues ago, I noticed a large number of organizations complaining about the same issues: poor attendance, lack of interest, dwindling membership, buildings in disrepair, financial difficulty. Unfortunately, I saw no suggestions or plans for change or improvements, just gloom, doom and blame.

If Masonry was a business, we would remove poor performers, consolidate operations and eliminate duplication of effort. Then, we would get on with our business and try hard not to repeat the things that got us in such bad shape.

There are Masonic events nearly every night, but why keep having them if they're poorly attended? I've found that people show up to events for two reasons - because they feel obligated or because they really want to. I prefer the latter. Masonry is not the only game in town and people need to be drawn to our events. We need to have appealing programs to put butts in the seats.

Many Lodge buildings are old, need repairs, have somewhat in-

convenient parking and access. These buildings also cost a lot to live in. Dues, rental income, fundraisers and skimming off some savings is an awful lot of work to stay in such a dependent place. If these were our homes, we would consider moving. Sure, it's easier said than done, but it is doable.


Wouldn't it be better if we could focus on Masonry instead of survival?

At the end of the day, Masonry isn't about buildings and events, it's about friendship, morality and brotherly love. It doesn't matter where Masonry happens, just that it happens. The family that loves each other, works to improve itself and the world around it, has a positive impact on those it touches. That's us, provided we survive.

Reminder

The April 12th Masters and Wardens meeting is cancelled. The next meeting will be May 11th at Union Star No. 320, 3 N Main St., Honeoye Falls at 10:00 a.m. Breakfast at 9:00 a.m. Please call Jim Nersinger at 334-9057 for breakfast reservations.

Monroe Brotherhood Fund




Philip Hurwitz, Chairman

Brothers, thank you for your generous contributions to the Brotherhood Fund. I have received the most recent statewide tally, and as of January 30th, the Monroe District is 5th overall in dollars contributed (\$22,134.50). Our District has a total of 2785 members, of those, 442 Brothers, or 17.45% of the membership, have contributed to the Brotherhood Fund.

Your Lodge Brotherhood Fund Chairmen are doing a great job in their efforts in support of the Brotherhood Fund. Our District's generosity depends in no small part to the efforts of these Brothers. Your continued support of the Masonic Brotherhood Fund is very much appreciated. Thank you.

On Sunday, April 7th, the Monroe District will be hosting its 2nd Annual Family Day at the Downtown Temple. Entertainment for all ages will be presented in Cathedral Hall. Music, song, dance, and laughter, are on the program. This may be your last opportunity to witness the dignity and beauty of this hall. The Brotherhood Fund will have displays promoting the work of the constituent charities that make up the Fund. Donations to the Fund will be accepted that day. Any donation received will be credited to your Lodge's totals. Please bring your membership card with you. Your Grand Lodge registry number is needed to ensure that your Lodge will receive recognition for your donation.

Wakan/Hubbard Lodge No. 154



2nd & 4th Mon.
7:30 P.M.
W.: Steve O. Maynard
Master
482-5847
W.: Theodore J. Snyder, Sec.
467-0165
W.: Donald C. Bell, Asst. Sec.
334-7768
1822 Penfield Rd. 14526

The meeting on the 8th of April will be followed by a discussion of our Lodge investments by

R.W.: Gerald Glaser, our investment advisor. This discussion will take place in the dining room after Lodge is closed.

2nd Degree

The 2nd Degree will be conferred on our Spring Class at the meeting of April 22nd. JW Joe Oelgoetz will be in the East. Rehearsal for this Degree will be Saturday, April 20th, at 9:00 a.m. at the Lodge. All participants in the Degree are expected to be in attendance.

Sickness and distress

We are happy to hear that Brother Carl Busack has returned from the hospital and is progressing well. He had been suffering from a bad cough and had become dehydrated. At the same time, his wife, Shirley, had been ill at home.

FAIRPORT Lodge No. 476



2nd & 4th Mondays
7:30 P.M.
Master
W.: G. Michael Morris
223-2828
Sec. W.: George R. Bracht, 383-1947
87 South Main St. Fairport, 14450

Ladies Night and Dinner

At our meeting on April 8th we will be having a "Ladies Night" that begins with dinner. It will be followed by a presentation on "Counterfeit Deterrence Features of U.S. Currency". All spouses and significant others are invited to attend this special evening. The presentation will highlight the key counterfeit deterrence features that are currently employed in U.S. Currency and also discuss other options that have either been proposed and/or are in use in other countries. It will be fun and informative. After all, money is something to which we can all relate, and it never hurts to know a little more about it!

On April 8th, we will open Lodge at 6:00 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. The currency-design program will begin at 7:30 p.m., followed by a short business meeting at 8:30 p.m. Attire is regular business (coat & tie). For dinner reservations please contact W.: Tom Goodrich (383-1429; e-mail: tgg13@yahoo.com) or me (223-2828; e-mail: morrisGM@comcast.com) by April 4th.

Bring-a-Friend Night

We are planning to have a Bring-a-Friend Night on Monday, April 15th. Since this is not one of our regular meeting nights, we will not have to worry about opening and closing the Lodge. Brothers, this is probably one of the most important events that we will be holding this year and your help is needed to make it a success. We need new members in the Lodge and the Bring-a-Friend Program is an extremely effective way to help make that happen.

I am certain that each of you know of at least one or more of your friends who have the internal qualifications to be a Freemason and potentially become a member of our wonderful Fraternity. I would like to set the goal of having at least 20 potential candidates attend that evening. We will begin with Brother Tom Goodrich's and Brother Kel Kelsey's famous Steak Dinner with all the trimmings at 6:30 p.m., followed by the informational program at 7:30 p.m.

I will send a formal invitation to each prospective candidate, so please provide me with the name and contact information (address, phone, e-mail address) for each person that you would like to sponsor by Friday, April 5th. Attire for the evening is regular business (coat & tie). Dinner is free of charge for the prospective candidates and for the Brothers who bring a friend. The cost of the dinner for other Brothers in attendance is \$5.00. For dinner reservations please contact either Tom Goodrich or me by Thursday, April 11th.

Scout Program

We had to reschedule the public program entitled, "A Brief History of Freemasonry" for Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts and their families in the Fairport-Perinton area for April 22nd. We will open Lodge at 7:15 p.m. and the program will begin at 8:00 p.m. There are a number of the Scout badges that require that they find out something about the history of their community and/or of an organization within the community.

W.: Tom Goodrich will be describing what our Lodge can offer by way of historical programs for the Scouts at an upcoming Arrowhead District Roundtable on April 4th, at which approximately 50 to 80 representatives from most of the Cub Scout and Boy Scout Units in the Eastern suburbs will be present. We are expecting a good turnout for the program on the 22nd. It will be a lot of fun! Hope you can attend.

Consolidation

All of the required paper work from our Lodge and Flower City Lodge has been completed and mailed to Grand Lodge for approval. Assuming no discrepancies in the documentation are found by Grand Lodge, final approval of the consolidation and issuance of a new Charter is expected around mid-April. At that point, we will schedule a summoned communication and install the new officer line.

In closing, as always, if you have any questions, suggestions or comments, or know of a Brother in need of our aid or sympathy, please let me know. See you in Lodge!

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**Valley/Simes
Lodge No. 109**

2nd Tues.
7:30 P.M.



W. Robert L.
Hill, Master
256-7445

W. Michael G. Britz, Sec.
(h) 820-9019, (o) 272-9470
875 Main Street E., Rochester, 14605

Happy holidays to you all. It's been a very happy new year thus far, so why not just extend the happiness? Happy birthday to our April birthday Brothers. We had a very good Moving-up Night with Mike McBride in the East.

Again, many thanks to Brother Dave Mura, Junior Warden, for the tremendous job of pulling together a program of health and beauty care for the ladies at the March 12th meeting.

Thanks, R. W. Bill

We had our Official Visit in February and we hadn't been able to thank R. W. Bill Lindsay for his very capable leadership as District Deputy Grand Master. So, for all the good leadership, we thank you, Brother Bill, and may your next Masonic step be to your liking. You and your very able staff, Brothers Jim DeLorenzo and Cliff Short, have shown us more light by teaching and by example, as have the AGLs, R. W. Keith Stambach and John Zabel. We look forward to continued light along the way.

Lest we forget, R. W. Paul Gleason, Grand Chaplain, has continued to be an inspiration in the Lodge and wherever we have found him. Godspeed, my Brother.

Coming events

There will be an Officers' meeting on April 2nd at 6:00 p.m. at the Country Village.

On April 7th, Masonic Family Days will be at the Downtown Temple. Let's get out and support this activity. Tremendous time for the family and it can also serve as a Bring-a-Friend for prospective members.


April 9th is Lodge and Committee reports. You need to be there.

April 16th is Fellowcraft. Call Herb Spencer at 334-7493.

On April 23rd we will confer the 1st Degree.

**ERAC
Lodge No. 163**

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



W. David
Zegas,
Master
(h) 334-7202
(o) 419-7539

www.erac.org
R. W. Richard C. Friedman
Sec. (h) 377-6175 (w) 271-2775
152 Commercial St. W., E. Rochester

ERAC continued its benevolence in February by raising over \$1400 towards the Have-a-Heart effort. My sincerest thanks to all the Brothers, family and friends, especially the children, who helped us do this. A handful of Brothers also cooked dinner for the guests at the Ronald McDonald House. Brother George Nasra organized the crew and Brother Jim Jenerson whipped up his famous five generations Meatloaf. Nice work, men!

On March 25th, Brother Mike Johnson did a presentation on Fringe Masonry, a slight change from the trestleboard, which shed light on clandestine and other breakaway groups.

April

Our 3rd Degree is April 8th, with our eight Fellowcraft reaching their year-long goal.

On April 22nd the Grand Historian, George Peter, will be the guest speaker and on Saturday, April 27th, we will have our second Annual Garage Sale, along with a Child ID Program.

All events (except the Garage Sale) begin at 7:30 p.m., with dinner preceding at 6:30 p.m. for \$8.00. Junior Warden, Terry Wihlen, Jr., will take your reservations at 288-5327 or twihlen@webbox.com. Call me for details about these or any other ERAC event.

**ETOLIAN
Lodge No. 479**

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



Master
W. Karl-Heinz
Reich
426-6836
FX 426-8531

Sec. W. Michael Schwartz 352-4018

Congratulations

Brethren, again one of our own members, W. John Dyer, is designated to an important District position: Assistant Grand Lecturer of the Monroe District. We all can congratulate W. John Dyer. Brother John always did nice Ritual work in the past and will do a nice job in the future. This job was well earned.

Sickness

W. John S. Mattern and Brother Lawrence A. (Joe) Elliott, both had heart complications. Brother John Mattern had his arteries opened by micro procedure. Brother Joe Elliott had a by-pass operation. W. Leonard Perlmutter was hospitalized with a broken hip bone. All patients were in Strong Hospital and doing fine now. We wish you all a speedy recovery.

Child ID

W. John Dyer reported on the county wide Masonic Child ID, which started at Etolian Lodge. There are over seventeen requests for the upcoming season. For our Lodge are W. John Dyer, Brothers Patrick Schwartz and David Hagmier involved in this Program. Anybody who would like to help, or take some responsibility for this program, please contact John at 733-1743 or Patrick at 395-0874.

The Committee always has to buy new video tapes and it appreciated the donation it received from the Chairpersons of the successful Tri-Lodge Ladies Night, R. W. Ruel Lovett and his lady, Patricia.

Past events

On February 16th, we had a nice program, presented by R. W. Robert Dagen and W. Gary L. Burke. It was all about the history and today's function of the Order of DeMolay. As we have been saying, the future of Masonry is in the youth.

The DeMolay Chapter of Rochester is in need of adults, or mentors. If you would like more information, or like to volunteer, please contact Gary at 665-4940 or Bob at 548-7148.

Upcoming events

Please check your trestleboard for upcoming Degrees. The 2nd Degree was conferred on March 25th, and the first part of the 3rd Degree will start at 5:30 p.m. on April 22nd. There will be a dinner

served before the 2nd part, prepared by the Eastern Star ladies.


The regular meeting on April 8th will be very interesting. R. W. Jay McCullough's program will be on Prince Hall Masonry. We will be visited by W. Eugene Crews, Master of Eureka Lodge No. 36, PHA, and some Brethren of his respected Prince Hall Lodge. Please come and join us.

The Annual Tri-Lodge Euchre Tournament will be at Hesperus Lodge No. 837, Bergen, on April 29th at 7:00 p.m. Sharpen your skills.

**Union Star
Lodge No. 320**

3 N. Main St.,
Honeoye Falls

2nd Mon.
7:30 P.M.



Master
W. James E.
Nersinger,
334-9057

Sec. Robert
Sweeney,
(h) 381-5286
(w) 464-6316

38 Cullens Run, Pittsford, 14534

Our two recently raised Brothers are William Nersinger, my son, and Patrick Michael, brother of our Senior Deacon, Tom Michael.

As reported, the Shrine Past Masters Degree Team conferred the 3rd Degree. Many thanks for the outstanding Ritual. Thanks again to W. Joe Cotteleer and his wife, Linda, for the excellent dinner enjoyed by all 40 diners. Another thanks to our Secretary, Brother Rob Sweeney, who filled in as organist.

Our March meeting was preceded by a Pasta Dinner and we had a video presentation showing the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. Both were done by Brother Rob Sweeney.

The Widows Luncheon on March 16th, at Logan's Party House, was attended by five widows and R. W. Robert Sanford and myself. As usual, this was an outstanding annual Masonic function. This was my 3rd year attending and each year the event is first rate.

On Monday, March 4th, at the Ronald McDonald House, W. John Williams and I attended the presentation of the monies collected by the area Masonic Bodies during our recent Have-a-Heart Campaign. A check for \$10,650 was presented.

April meeting

A dinner will precede our April meeting on the 8th at 6:30 p.m. Reservations are required. Please call me at 334-9057.

We will have R. W. Robert Sanford conducting the "Walk About" Program on the Stations of the Lodge for the benefit of newly raised Brothers. I am sure this program will be of interest to more Brothers than those just recently raised.

Our 2nd annual Masonic Family Day is on Sunday, April 7th at

the Downtown Masonic Temple in Cathedral hall starting at 2:00 p.m. This show is a must for everyone - all ages. Tickets are \$5.00 for adults, \$3.00 for children, and free for pre-school ages. Our Secretary has these tickets available. Please call Brother Rob Sweeney for tickets or more information at 381-5286.

Obligations

Believe it or not, there are still a few Brothers who haven't sent in their 2002 dues, or who have not returned their Brotherhood donation. Let's make Brothers Kerry and Sweeney's "day" by completing these two obligations.

Many thanks to Brothers W. Larry Miller and W. John Williams for their assistance in filling chairs as required.

Another reason for the lost Brothers to return to the Lodge is to see the re-birth of our bowling alleys. At the rate Brothers Bud Ripley and Jerry Wiedemann are going at it, it won't be long before we are rolling bowling balls on the alleys!

All for now. See you at Cathedral Hall Family Days.

**Who Has
the
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Gavel?**

Reporter
Mat Singold



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**FAME
Lodge No. 722**

4275 Culver Rd.
ROCHESTER, N.Y. 14622

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



W. Nelson
Bertch
671-4792

Leon VanHuben, Secretary
647-1391

Greetings, Brethren. First and foremost, I will mention the Brotherhood Fund. W. Keith Moore is doing a great job soliciting contributions, but he has said the checks are coming in slower and slower. If you have not yet contributed, it is not too late. You can mail a check to Keith Moore, 161 Hastings Lane, Rochester, NY 14617.

Special thanks to W. Ken Rhodes for bringing in the pictures of Fame Temple in the days of old. It was a rare treat to see them.

April

Our first meeting, held on April 9th, will be preceded by a Buffet Dinner at 6:30 p.m. The menu is Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, vegetable, salad, rolls and butter. Cost is \$7.00 per person.

Our second meeting, held on April 23rd, will be preceded by a Pot Luck Dinner. Please bring a



New Master Masons Brothers William Nersinger left (son of the Master) and Patrick Michael with W. James Nersinger-Master.

dish to pass and your own table service. We will be holding a Memorial Service for all the Brothers who departed this world over the past year. The Service will be performed by W. Dean Marsaw and Al Pulcino. This will also be a Move Up Night for the officers who are moving to new chairs.

The Barbershop Quartet that V. W. Dan Walker belongs to will be performing for us that evening. The show will begin at 6:00 p.m.


Happy birthday to all the Brothers and their ladies who have a birthday in April.

See you in Lodge!

**Churchville
Lodge No. 667**

20 S. Main St. Churchville 14428

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



W. Larry
Bright
Master
359-2257

www.geocities.com
Sec. W. George R. Burke, 293-1829
churchvillelodge667/

Happy Easter to all, and a warm welcome to all you snowbirds who are returning home.

Sickness

To R. W. Charlie Daycock, we do hope you are feeling somewhat better at this time.


Degree

Brothers, things are looking good and we will be conferring the 1st Degree in April. I think that's real good news and Brother Al Jeerings will be in the East.

NORTHFIELD

Lodge No. 426 Instituted
March 1857

1st & 3rd Thurs., 7:30 P.M.



Master
W. James
Knapp
(h) 256-9979
(w) 422-2142

R. W. William D. Spillane
Secretary 334-6596

17 Church St., Pittsford 14534

R. W. Raymond Beardsley gave our new Entered Apprentices the Historical Lecture at our March 7th meeting. No matter how many times I hear Brother Ray recite Ritual, I am always impressed. We are thankful that we have such a talented Ritualist as a member of our Lodge. Great job, Ray! Recently, Ray was the victim of a vicious hat switcher. Raysaid that at the end of the last Lodge meeting, he was left with a look-a-like hat that was just too small. Of course, some wondered aloud if Brother Ray was finally admitting to us that he has a big head. Ray denied this and maintained that his large hat size has more to do with a greater than average intellectual capacity. Besides our new EAs, in attendance were Jim Weick, Bill Spillane, Raymond Beardsley, Dan Walker, Russ Vandegrif, Pedro Uglade, Bill Milton, Don Smith, Pierre Dube, Dean Smith, R.J. Muto, and Jim Knapp.

Sickness

Jack Thibaut is home from the hospital and doing better, as is Brother Ed Brereton. Bill Frazier is in Strong Hospital and Dick Trolley has started dialysis. Walter Weick has taken up permanent residence at Kirkhaven Nursing Home and would love visitors. Call Jim Weick to get the details at 727-4731. Our prayers are with all of you, my Brothers, for a speedy recovery.

I am looking for some help in filling out parts for our 3rd De-

gree. Please give me a call if you can help with the Ritual at (h) 256-9979 or (w) 422-2142.

Our April 4th meeting will be a Card Party. There will be no Ritual opening and dress will be casual. Bring your friends and have a ball. Men only, please.

Masonic Family Day is a great program for all members and their families and will take place on April 7th at 2:00 p.m. in Cathedral Hall. Tickets are available at the Lodge or can be purchased at Cathedral Hall on the 7th. Please join me in making Northfield's presence a big'n.

We have need for codebooks. If anyone has a spare, please get it to Jim Weick, 727-4731.

Craftsman/Robertson Lodge No. 969
1st & 3rd Tues., 7:30 P.M.
W.: Derek E. VanHouten
Master
247-2920
Sec. W.: Thomas W. Kendig
1-315-524-4063
875 Main Street, East, Rochester, 14605

As these days get longer, my time as your Master is getting shorter. Some would say that I'm in the twilight of my watch at Craftsman/Robertson, however, I don't look at it that way. I agree that the year is going faster than even I had thought it would. I acknowledge that our Senior Warden is prepared to assume his position as Master in a few months. He has prepared well, he has been to the RTE, both in Dansville and recently in Waterloo. He has a plan for the Lodge and is committed to carry it out. His heart is in the right place and I feel confident that he will be the right man for the job.

I, too, have learned much. We have a very dedicated group of Master Masons who support the programs of the Lodge and can be called on when needed. My Officers have really been my greatest support this year. How could we succeed without the able bodied assistance of our Past Masters. More than once I have asked for their advice and have always received just the right information to make the correct decisions. A special thank you to R.: W.: Ed Walker, who has filled in as our Junior Warden these past months.

Paramount to any successful project is the support of our ladies. Without them I'm sure that attendance and participation at our events would not have been as successful. A special thank you to Hilde DiJames and Joy Woodley for all the great food that we enjoyed this year. Personally, I have probably expanded in more areas other than intellect because of their devotion in the kitchen.

Speaking of ladies, even though I haven't met all of you, the widows of Craftsman/Robertson Lodge are on my mind quite a lot. If it wasn't for your devotion to your loved ones, we wouldn't be as strong as we are today. Your allowing them to come out and to join us over the years and your support have not been forgotten.

Lastly, I know it's only April and I plan to be active right up to the minute that I pass the gavel of authority over to Brother Duane Smith. I thank all the Brothers who have attended Lodge this year. Without you and your presence, your support, your input and your friendship, we would not have been as successful. Thanks to each of you for the many memories.

In memoriam

By Robert Ogden

It is with sadness we report the passing of Brother John C. Beach in Florida on February 27th. Our heartfelt sympathies go out to his family and friends.

Lollypop Farm

Following our last dinner meeting on March 5th, Marilyn Letts, coordinator, and volunteers Pam Will, Phyllis Lalka, and Terry Speck displayed several immaculately groomed dogs with pleasing dispositions, a rabbit and a guinea pig. Marilyn Letts touched on "Pet assisted therapy", stating her group visits several different facilities. It was a real fun evening that we will not soon forget. Lollypop Farm, we salute you and many thanks for your visit.

Rehearsals and Degrees

April 3rd will be a rehearsal for the 2nd Degree, with the Degree being conferred on April 16th. The 3rd Degree will be conferred on June 18th by the Shrine Past Masters Degree Team.

Dinner meeting - Ladies invited

On April 2nd Hilde and Joy will serve a Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner for us. Entertainment will be Sue Sweemer speaking on Blue Ridge Home Sales, according to W.: Derek.

A speedy recovery

Hurry up and get well, Rona. Rona Pearce recently had surgery and is home now and I'm sure she would be pleased to receive cards or phone calls from her friends.

Brotherhood Fund

As of March 9th, contributions were received amounting to \$3,758.00. Last year at this time 99 donations were received totaling \$3,720.00. Thanks very much, Brothers.

April birthdays

Greetings on your birthdays to the following Brothers: Al Froelicher, Glen Ide, Earl Martin, Dick Militello, Arny Raymond, Ron Sterling, Dick Stone, Chuck Sutton, Bob Thompson, Derek VanHouten, Dave Ververs and Carm Vitali.

April dates

April 2nd will be the dinner meeting with the ladies.
April 9th is the Fellowcraft Dinner at Rick's.
April 16th the 2nd Degree will be conferred.

WEBSTER Lodge No. 538
1st & 3rd Thurs.
7:30 p.m.
Master
W.: John Morz
(h) 381-4116
(o) 771-3218
W.: Paul Sobtzick, Sec.
671-8980
30 Orchard St. Webster, 14580

Good news, Brothers, Spring is here and another long Winter is behind us now. However, my term as Master is almost over. Where does the time go? This is a year I will never forget, good, bad and sad.

Past events

On March 7th we had a Stink Night and a Masonic Quiz Program. Brad Lewis did the Program and it was very enlightening.

March 16th was the Widows Luncheon at Logan's Party House. The ladies all enjoyed themselves. I thank all the drivers.

On March 21st Tom Pellet was our speaker. He spoke about the

History of Webster Lodge. Thanks, Tom.

Upcoming events

Thursday, April 4th, will be Awards Night at Webster Lodge. Our secretary has sent out notices for this event. I hope to have a good turnout. The dinner is at 6:30 p.m. and reservations may be made with Doug Koenig at 223-3654.

Friday, April 5th is the Spaghetti Dinner. This monthly event is a lot of work. I thank everyone who supports this event. Your time is appreciated.

Sunday, April 7th will be Masonic Family Day, 2002. This event will be held at the Downtown Masonic Temple in Cathedral Hall. The event starts at 2:00 p.m., the cost is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for students. This will be a music and entertainment event for families. The dress is casual. It should be a lot of fun. Bring your families and have a great day.

Thursday, April 11th is the rehearsal for the 3rd Degree. Please mark your calendars. It's important for all those involved to attend the rehearsal.

On April 18th the 3rd Degree will be conferred at Webster Lodge. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. This is a formal night. Please contact Doug Koenig at 223-3654 for your dinner reservation.

Each day is a gift. Stay healthy and keep smiling. Carry the flag.

Seneca Lodge No. 797
2nd Tues
6:00 P.M.
Master
W.: Michael C. Ferguson
(h) 359-9052
(o) 334-5186
Sec. Robert C. Green, Jr., 223-5953
30 Orchard St., Webster 14580

Greetings, Brethren, has Spring sprung? I sure hope so. We were blessed with a rather warm, dry Winter, so I expect the monsoon season to start soon.

Let's have a Table Lodge

It has been several years since W.: Don Rose led us in a Table Lodge. As I remember it, it was a great time. After attending the Table Lodge at Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge, I know it was a great time, and I remember why I can't remember it so well! So, on Tuesday, April 9th, we will have our own Table Lodge. If you have never been to one, I can assure you that it is a night that you will not soon forget. If you have been to one, then you know what I am talking about. It is a time to gather together and have fun as Masons and Brothers. Mark your calendars now!

Bring-a-Friend

We had a very successful Brother Bring-a-Friend Night. I thank Brothers Ray Glegg and Jack Breitung for their poignant words to our prospective Brothers. The Lodge is growing, and it appears that this situation will continue, with your help.

Now is the time!

As my tenure as Master comes to a close, plans are in the works for a smooth transition. The officers are already practicing their lines, and planning events. If you have any ideas, now is the time, before next year's trestleboard is finalized. Call Brother Stuart Walther to put in your two cents worth.

Volunteers are needed for the Brotherhood Fund Chair, Have-a-Heart, and several other duties. Don't hesitate to sign up. It's a

great way to get to know all the Brothers of the Lodge.

Depending on the date you receive this, don't forget the Golf Night at the indoor driving range on March 26th from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Contact Brother Dana Cline or me for reservations.

Flower City Lodge No. 910
2nd Thurs.
7:30 P.M.
Master
W.: Scott D. Pelligrino
334-8606
Sec. R.: W.: Philip Averbach,
458-1817
Fairport Temple,
87 South Main St.

Merger

Well, the consolidation was approved at the February communication. It is now in the hands of Grand Lodge to approve.

Once we get the approval from Grand Lodge, we can install officers and have the first meeting of Fairport/Flower City Lodge No. 476. I am looking forward to it as I hope all of you are.

In preparation for this, you should have received a letter from George Bracht, Secretary of Fairport Lodge, about updating the member information.

Please take the time to fill this out and return it.

The next Fellowcraft Dinner will be at the Olive Garden on Jefferson Road. As always, it is on the first Thursday of the month and significant others are welcome.

Please contact Phil or myself for reservations.

CLIO LODGE No. 779
1st & 3rd
Tuesdays
7:30 P.M.
Master
W.: Gordon F. Smith
392-9261
Secretary
W.: Sean Noonan 392-8156
287 East Ave. Hilton, 14468
www.mastermason.com/clio779

April birthdays

Happy birthday to Dana Aucter, Karl Brandt, J. Johnson, Dale Polmateer, Robert Quack-

enbush, Joe Ulrich, Denny Wright, Dave Partiss, Maurice Northrup, Merle Wallace, Harry DeHollander, Sante Panella, David B. Seeger.

Upcoming events

Our Spaghetti Dinners will be April 10th and 24th. Come out, Brothers, and give us a hand. It makes lighter work for all.

April 2nd is Past Masters Night.

On April 16th we will confer the 2nd Degree.

Dues

Have you overlooked your dues payment? Several Brothers are missing theirs. Please send them in.

Have you moved?

Please call Sean Noonan at 392-8156 as to your new address and phone number.

Closing

Brothers, if you need a ride to meetings, please call me at 392-9261. We are more than glad to arrange transportation.

Prevent the Problem

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this, almost 2 weeks after the theft, all the damage had been done.

There are records of all the credit checks initiated by the thieves' purchases, none of which I knew about before placing the alert. Since then, no additional damage has been done, and the thieves threw my wallet away this weekend (someone turned it in). It seems to have stopped them in their tracks.

The numbers are:
Equifax: 1-800-525-6285
Experian (formerly TRW): 1-888-397-3742

Trans Union: 1-800-680-7289
Social Security Administration fraud line: 1-800-269-0271.

We pass along jokes; we pass along just about everything. Do think about passing this information along. It could really help someone.

From the "Southern Tier Masonic News", March 2002.

Facts that are not squarely faced have a habit of stabbing us in the back.

Save the date!
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The Valley of Rochester Golf Charity Classic

By Joseph F. Oelgoetz III

This golf tournament is being held to support the Frank & Bette Paul 32° Masonic Learning Center for Children. It will be held on Monday, July 29th at the Blue Herron Hills Country Club. There will be several sponsorship packages available. Sponsorship is critical to the success of not only the Golf Classic, but to the aims of the Learning Center, located at 875 Main St. E., Rochester, NY.

The work of the Center

The mission of the Learning Center is to provide appropriate instruction, free of charge, for children suffering from Dyslexia. Dys-

lexia is estimated to affect some 2 million school-aged children in the United States. These children are typically of average or above average intelligence. However, these children have difficulties not only in reading, writing and spelling, but also with listening, speaking and arithmetic. These can lead to emotional self esteem problems.

The Center utilizes specially trained teachers and tutors that teach with a one-on-one, multi-sensory approach. A course takes approximately two years for a child to complete the program. The approach has been proven successful, as the average improvement a child can expect is an increase of two grade levels. Currently the Center has an enrollment of 19 children with a long waiting list.

The cost of training one child is approximately \$5,000 per year

or \$10,000 for the entire course. Since the training is free of charge, fund raising is critical to the success of the Center. "This is why the Valley of Rochester wants to establish and hold the Golf Charity Classic," stated Ill. Rodney R. Rittenhouse, 33°, Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Center.

The event

The event is scheduled to be a premium day of golf, food, festivities, fun and camaraderie. The Golf Charity Classic will be open to all and is to be held on Monday, July 29th, at the beautiful Blue Herron Hills Country Club. It is located at 1 Country Club Drive, Macedon, (315-986-8599). It's not far from Rochester.

Support opportunities

Success of the event is dependent on financial support from

individuals and organizations. There are several sponsorship package opportunities.

1. Golf Charity Classic Sponsor - \$10,000 package includes:

- Sponsorship of a child for a complete two-year program.
- Golf Charity sponsor Designee - Recognition in all written communication and advertising.
- Signage at each hole (both tee and greens).
- Signage at check-in and near putting green.
- Full page ad in Program.
- Listed as a sponsor in the Program.
- 1/4 page ad placed in the *Masonic Times*.
- Name printed in annual "Sponsor a Child" Report.
- Regular progress reports on the Center.
- 1 no-charge foursome (8 golfers) slot available.

2. Sponsor a child - \$5,000 package includes:

- Sponsorship of a child for one year.
- Mentioned in all Golf Charity communications and advertising.
- Signage on 4 holes - including the 9th & 18th (both tee and green).
- Signage at check-in and near putting green.
- Full page ad in Program.
- Listed as a sponsor in the Program.
- 1/4 page ad in the *Masonic Times*.
- Name printed in Center's annual "Sponsor a Child" Report.
- Regular progress reports on the Center.
- One no-charge foursome (4 golfers) slot available.

3. Co-sponsorship \$2,500 package includes:

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U.S.O. Troupe Director, Marge Hood, Sylvia Bollotin, Jane Heath-Recreational Therapist, and Cora Paglia.

U.S.O. Show Entertains CVMC Residents



All on the Ward enjoyed the dessert after the entertainment.

(Photos courtesy H. Bollotin)

observance of Valentine's Day on February 10th. A troupe of three USO ladies entertained the residents by singing a medley of patriotic and World War II vintage melodies.

All the patients, as well as the staff and volunteers, thoroughly enjoyed the program.

March

A regular ward visit was made on Sunday afternoon, March 10th. The regular volunteers were: Tom and Cora Paglia, and Larry and Marge Hood. I was unable to attend.

The final ward visit for the current season is scheduled for Sunday, April 7th. Regular visits will

resume on October 6th. For further information please phone Tom Paglia at 227-2046.



Resident and U.S.O. entertainer.



As reported last month, a special visit was made to Ward 8A in



Our regular volunteers with U.S.O. Troupe: Larry Hood, Sylvia and Harold Bollotin, Cora and Tom Paglia, and Marge Hood.

More Mall Musings from the Have-a-Heart Campaign



U.S.O. Troupe



Bros. Dennis Gellasch, Ron Bryant, Vance Collom, Jr., and Walter Cone. Not pictured Sue & John Merz, Bruce Chilton, Paul Soltzick, Hank Libera, Ed Malchoff, and Ed Tousey.



Masonic War Veterans, James A. Hard/Wayne Charter Post No. 12. Dennis Gellasch-PC, Lou Campaniello, and Emil Schirano-1st Lt. Commander.



Residents enjoying the show.



Bro. Richard Marchner, W. Warren Peterson, Bro. Don Yakopcic, W. Emil Schirano, Bros. John Ross and Nick Haldoupis.



Vance Collom, Jr. - Adjutant, and Fred Cornell, Sr. (Photos courtesy Emil Schirano)

Learning Center Golf Classic

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- Co-sponsorship of a child for one year
- Signage on the 9th & 18th (both tee and green).
- Full page ad in Program.
- Listed as a sponsor in the Program.
- Listed as sponsor in the *Masonic Times*.
- Name printed in the Center's annual "Sponsor a Child" Report.
- Regular progress reports on the Center.

4. Friend of the Learning Center Sponsorship - \$1,000 package includes:

- Signage on two holes (both tee and green).
- Half page ad in Program.
- Listed as sponsor in the Program.
- Listed as sponsor in *Masonic Times*.
- Two no-charge golfer slots available.

5. Benefactor sponsorship - \$500 package includes:

- Tee signage (single hole). Not available for 9th or 18th holes.
- Half page ad in Program.
- Listed as sponsor in Program.
- Listed as sponsor in the *Masonic Times*.
- One no-charge golfer slot available.

Additionally there are opportunities to advertise in the Golf Charity Classic Program, which will be distributed to all attendees at the event.

- Full page ad - \$400.
- Half page ad - \$250.
- Quarter page ad - \$150.

All proceeds will benefit the Center. By becoming a sponsor of this event you can also help to bring more children suffering from the effects of Dyslexia into a life of self-confidence and high self-esteem. To sponsor or to gain additional information, contact the Valley office at 585-271-0715. For more information on the Center, call 585-442-7290. □

Rochester Forest No. 133

Tall Cedars of Lebanon of North America
4th Wed. - 7:30 p.m.
Penfield, New York 14526



Don Brugger, GTC
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Donald C. Bell, Scribe

Where we are

You may have heard rumors about a huge increase in membership from across the border. Well, huge may be a little extravagant. It seems that when Garden City Forest in Hamilton handed in their Charter, those desiring to remain Tall Cedars were given

Remember



The Brotherhood Fund

member-at-large status. A similar situation occurred when the Jamestown Forest disbanded.

After that little bit of history, at the Supreme Forest session in 2001 an amendment was added to the By-Laws discontinuing the member at-large category. Supreme Forest, in their infinite wisdom, has now assigned all these members to the nearest geographical Forest, that's us. The problem is that, to my knowledge, these members have not been required to pay dues; no wonder they dumped the category.

Supreme Forest has, therefore, given us these members as of Jan. 1st, making us responsible for their 2003 assessment. We do not know, however, if all the Brothers on the roster want to join our Forest.

I have been in contact with our former DD, Doug Draker. He has seen the list and reports that some on the list were NPD'ed. We, therefore, will have to take a hard look at this situation before we take them on. The Scribe and I will attempt to contact our present DDSTC for resolution of our concerns.

Bummer

Our February meeting was canceled due to hazardous driving conditions. We had hoped at that time to get our books better organized. Your Executive Committee is attempting to meet before the March 27th meeting. This may not happen. If not we

will try to do this at that meeting. Hope you will be able to join us. □

Lilac City Cedarettes

By Joy Woodley, President

He who plants a tree, plants love. I thank those who were generous and wise who planted trees long ago for me.

I look forward to seeing you on Wednesday, April 10th at 8:00 p.m. at my home, 273 Circle Lane, Webster. If you find you are unable to make it, I would like to hear from you. Please call me at 671-6152. □

Walk to Cure Diabetes

Over 16 million people in the United States (over 5 million undiagnosed) have Diabetes, a chronic, debilitating disease affecting every major organ system. It is the leading cause of kidney failure, adult blindness, non traumatic amputations, as well as a leading cause of nerve damage, heart attack and stroke.

The Walk to Cure Diabetes, sponsored by the Monroe District, is a family event. You, your family and friends are invited to join other Masons in a fundraising walk to continue the fight to cure this disease. An informational brochure is available from your Lodge Representative.

Please join your Brothers in supporting this worthy cause. All are welcome. □

Walk to Cure Diabetes

Juvenile Foundation International and The Diabetes Research Foundation

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Scottish Rite NEWS

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Charles O. Hancock, 33°

The Degrees

The 32° is known as the Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret. This Degree selects, clarifies and unifies into a single coherent doctrine all of the duties and lessons of the preceding Degrees. In it we continue our journey in search of the Holy Doctrine of which the Royal Secret is the foundation. To unveil the symbolism of the ages is a journey backward in time to the basic truths known by the ancient sages. Once these truths are revealed, our special charge is to maintain them in their purity, passing them on to the future concealed in allegory and symbolism and revealing them only to worthy men.

As soldiers in the grand army of the A.A.S.R. we assume the duties that a Soldier of the Light seeks truth and knowledge. A Soldier of Freedom demands for the people free vote and voice and attains freedom of voice, vote and opinion for himself. A Soldier of the True Religion combats spiritual tyranny with reason and truth. A Soldier of the People encourages men to be self-reliant and independent. A Soldier of Scottish Rite Masonry is zealous and ardent in the performance of his duties to God, his country, his family, his Brethren and himself. The Lessons that we learn are that the human is ever interlaced with the Divine. That only doctrines, faith or knowledge which bear fruit in action are of value, and that to work is to worship.

This concludes our examination of the duties and lessons of the 29 Degrees of the A.A.S.R. of the Northern Jurisdiction. I started this discussion back in January of 2001 as a means of sharing my thoughts on what I have received by way of membership in this great Fraternal Body. I hope my thoughts, research and writings have helped you see in our Degrees some of the potential for self-realization that I have found.

The Temple Civic Center (soon to be known as the Masonic Civic Center) lease for the Downtown Masonic Temple expires at the end of this calendar year. The TCC does not intend to renew that lease. Consequently, the Scottish Rite must make other arrangements for the fulfillment of our various needs.

As part of our Valley long range planning activity we have had a committee dedicated to working on plans for just such a problem. That Committee, chaired by Brother Glenn Stahl, has been regularly meeting to establish the needs for the Valley and to prepare recommendations for action in filling those needs. This is a report on the works of that Committee. The Committee started with a realistic appraisal of the needs, what our plans, programs and activities dictate.

The Committee recognizes our following needs with respect to facilities:

1. A place of meeting (8 stated meetings and 10 other meetings per year)
2. A place for Reunions (2 nights and 2 Saturdays per year)
3. A Scottish Rite Office location
4. Provisions for storage of properties, costumes, regalia, and equipment
5. Provisions of a place of meeting for Rochester Chapter, Order of DeMolay
6. A 2000 square foot 32° Masonic Learning Center for Children facility

The Learning Center is an obligation the Valley has that will be honored regardless of other considerations. The Committee has informed the Board of Governors of the Learning Center of the situation and plans are under way to identify an alternate site for the Center. That issue will be resolved in concert with the mutual interest of the Center and the Valley.

As you know, the TCC contracts the Masonic Service Bureau to administer the existing facility. The MSB will continue to be the agent of the TCC. The MSB is negotiating with Damascus Shrine for a "place of meeting" for the current occupants of the Downtown Masonic Temple. That arrangement could potentially satisfy needs 1 and 5. Damascus desires to have one entity to deal with concerning subleasing their facility as opposed to managing the rental of multiple Masonic Organizations. The complexities of the TCC/MSB arrangement are of concern to us. We are investigating the implications of that arrangement for the Scottish Rite.

Further, we are concerned regarding the long-range viability of some of the other TCC member Masonic Bodies. It is unclear how many of those Bodies will continue to exist in the foreseeable future. Our obvious concern is that the membership of the TCC could shrink to a point where we could find ourselves one of the few surviving Bodies with the wherewithal to sustain any type of financial commitment.

We currently plan to have our 2002 Reunions in Cathedral Hall. Beginning with the Spring Reunion 2003 we will have a new location. There are a number of theaters and similar settings being investigated for the production of those Reunions. The short time (one long weekend) required for our Reunion allows us a lot of flexibility in determining a site. These alternative sites are being investigated in conjunction with our approach to resolving item 4. We are actively working with a company for the modular storage of properties, costumes, etc. in environmentally controlled conditions. Their approach will allow a module(s), containing the things needed for a particular set of Degrees to be taken from storage, delivered to the Reunion site for use, then returned to storage after the Reunion.

We are the largest Masonic Body in the area and intend to be the premier Scottish Rite Valley in the State. There are many changes taking place within Masonry in the State of New York. We are recognized leaders within the Council of Deliberation with respect to dealing with issues of import to the Craft and to the Scottish Rite. We will continue to lead the way. We recognize a separate need for our Scottish Rite Office to serve the membership. We will seek to find a location for the Office that will best fill that changing need.

At this point in time we have identified a number of actions that must be taken. Before presenting a plan to the membership, we need to identify the costs associated with each of these needs. None of us are happy with the prospect of leaving Cathedral Hall and the Downtown Temple.

We are, however, very much aware that the day of reckoning was inevitable once that building passed from fraternal ownership. We will now deal with it.

Reunion

I encourage each and every Sublime Prince to reach out to fellow Master Masons and invite him to join the Scottish Rite. You have experienced the fraternal excitement and pleasure of witnessing a Reunion series of Degrees. Share that experience with your fellows. Make them a part of the Ill. Fred Nielsen, 33°, Class, on April 18th and 20th. □

Words from the 1st Lt. Commander

By Stephen R. Whittaker, 33°

Reach Out and Say Hello

Special thanks to Brother Robert D. Pedersen, Most Wise Master of Rochester Chapter of Rose Croix, for his special efforts in planning and organizing a New Member Night Dinner, Brother Bring-a-Brother Night Information Program, and many more continuing marketing outreach efforts. Plan to be present when the Feast of the Paschal Lamb Ceremony is presented by Brother Bob and his team of Officers. We look forward to having M.W. Gary A. Henningsen, 33°, Active Member of Supreme Council, Grand Treasurer, and Past Grand Master in the State of New York as the Guest Speaker for this event.

Spring Reunion

"If it is right and good, it should be shared with others." Reach out and ask your fellow Lodge members who are not part of the Scottish Rite to join us as candidates in the upcoming Reunion on Thursday evening, April 18th, and Saturday, April 20th. We look forward to your involvement and support! A creative suggestion that we invite all those listed on our Workers List to participate as Townspeople in the 32°, 2nd Section, is being tried. What a great idea to generate some new involvement and participation!

Annual Banquet

Mark your calendar for Saturday, May 11th, to attend our Annual Banquet. Again this year we will have many unique presentations to our dedicated teams that continue to make things happen. This Banquet is for our members, casts, Degree Directors, Stage Crew, Class Committee, Ambassadors, Officers, new Sublime Princes and Mentors, Trustees and all who make our Organization unique and special. We look forward to seeing many of you at this event.

Western Scottish Rite Club

Special thanks to those who braved the weather to attend a recent Information Session in Batavia as efforts are put forth to institute a "Scottish Rite Club" in this area. Special thanks to the two primary organizers of this program, Brothers Norman Austin and Craig Mollon. We look forward soon to the formal chartering of this group as our first outreach "Club". It represents the forward thinking of our strategic game plan as we reach out and offer our assistance to Craft Lodges in their efforts to survive and grow. Such things as assistance with "Brother Bring-a-

Friend" Programs are part of this outreach.

Rochester Chapter, Order of DeMolay

Since the Consistory has offered its support to become the sponsor of this Masonic youth group, we are also reaching out and asking that those with the time and desire to work with young men step forward and volunteer to be part of the Advisory Council of this group. It is a special memory that our good friend and Brother, James H. Gislesen, accepted this responsibility with so much pride and honor. In the 1960's and 70's he was the "Dad" of Rochester Chapter. The Chapter went through some periods of uncertainty and was reinstated in 1991. It is our responsibility to provide an environment in which these young men can learn the lessons of DeMolay. Please contact Brother Gary Burke if you are interested in assisting.

Learning Center Golf Outing

Stay tuned for upcoming promotional activities regarding this July 29th event that is scheduled for Blue Heron Country Club.

"My wife looks on me as a consultant; she told me that when she wants my advice, she'll ask for it."

Thank you kindly for your assistance and support. □

Thrice Potent Master

By Norman P. Austin

In my previous articles, I've stressed attempting to increase membership in the Scottish Rite. While this is certainly an endeavor worth pursuing, it is equally important to keep in mind that the Blue Lodge is the basis of all other Bodies within the Craft, and as such, it is essential that we "Reach Out" to the Blue Lodges, and ensure that they remain viable entities. How can this best be accomplished?

One way to be prepared to promote both the Blue Lodge and the Scottish Rite, might be to keep a "kit" with you or in your car, consisting of: copies of the pamphlets, "A Matter of Degree - How to become a 32 Degree Mason" which, incidentally, is a new publication, and "Ten Most Frequently Asked Questions with Answers...About the AASR of Freemasonry...Your next important step as a Master Mason". In addition, petitions - not only for the Scottish Rite, but for the Blue Lodge as well, (as that's where it all starts), are handy accompaniments. As the television commercial for the New York Lottery states: "Hey, you never know!" How true.

Scottish Rite Club

The Genesee/Wyoming Scottish Rite Club Meeting at Chardonnay's went very well, the food was delicious, and we had 11 in attendance, including Bob Clement, a 62 year member of the Craft. At 92, Bob is an absolutely delightful gentleman, who entertained us with stories from when he joined the Craft in Batavia in 1930 and served as Master there in 1939. Not only is Bob a Sovereign Prince, he's truly a Prince of a guy, and it was certainly a pleasure to meet him and to enjoy our evening and dinner with him. Our previously planned meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather.

This time, we were able to enjoy our time together, and the

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weather became rather bad only toward the end of the evening, making the trip home a challenge for many of us. Despite this, the evening was a most enjoyable and informative one with great camaraderie throughout. It is hoped that the Genesee/Wyoming Scottish Rite Club will have its Charter and be operational by the end of the Masonic Year, in May.

Bring-a-Friend

The Brother Bring-a-Friend Night at The Party House on Beahan road on March 1st was well attended with over 30 present. Presentations were given by the Commander-in-Chief, Charles O. Hancock, 33°, and the 1st Lt. Commander, Stephen R. Whittaker, 33°, along with the 2nd Lt. Commander, John E. Zabel, 33°. Several petitions were received, and these individuals will be members of the Spring Class of 2002.

Circus

The Scottish Rite evening at the Shrine Circus on Friday, March 22nd, was a most entertaining event. Everyone in attendance had a wonderful time and enjoyed the clowns, animals and performers. Among those in attendance were some of the new Brothers who submitted petitions at the Bring-a-Friend Night.

Feast of the Paschal Lamb

On Thursday, April 4th, the Feast of the Paschal Lamb Ceremony will take place in Cathedral Hall at 8:00 p.m. It will be preceded by a Roast Beef Dinner at 6:30 p.m. in the 3rd Floor Dining Room. Reservations for dinner at \$5.00 each, must be made by April 1st.

This is a very impressive Ceremony, paying tribute to those Brethren who have gone to join the Great Architect of the Universe during the preceding year. An Address will be given by M.W. and Ill. Gary A. Henningsen, 33° Active, Grand Secretary and Past Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York. Come witness this inspiring Ceremony and be a part of this most meaningful event.

Family Day

Don't forget the Masonic Family Day at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 7th, in Cathedral Hall. This promises to be a really fun-filled, enjoyable afternoon, with some top notch entertainment, including the Shrine Clowns, the string trio, Stringplicity, and the Greece Athena Show Choir. Tickets are \$5.00 for adults, and \$3.00 for students - a real bargain!

Reunion

The Spring Reunion will take place on Thursday evening, April 18th and all day Saturday, the 20th of this month. On Thursday, the 8° and 14° will be presented and on Saturday, the 16°, 18° 26° and 32° will take place. It is anticipated that the cast for the 2nd Section of the 32° will be considerably larger than in recent years. Come on out, see some stellar performances, learn some meaningful lessons, and don't forget to get your Masonic Passport stamped.

Hospitaler's Report

By Thomas Paglia, 32° MSA
Our Commander-in-Chief, Charles Hancock, 33°, fell recently and injured his rotor cuff. Brother Alfred Miller and his wife, Wilma Jean, are still experiencing difficulties. If you hear of anyone in need of our attention, please call the office or me.

8°

Intendant of the Building
Thursday, April 18, 2002
7:30 p.m.

This degree teaches that each new honor is meant to be a step toward perfection in the moral code; each a development of a particular duty; and that benevolence and charity are necessary virtues of leadership.

- Directed by:**
Eldon N. White
Prologue:
Lowell S. Falkey
David:
Donald A. Rose, 32° MSA
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Steven Lysenko
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Ithream:
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Shephathiah:
Alan L. Jeerings
Shobab:

14°

Grand Elect Mason
Following the 8°

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

- Directed by:**
Robert D. Pedersen
Prologue:
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Rodney R. Rittenhouse, 33°
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*Will take part

16°

Prince of Jerusalem
Saturday, April 20, 2002
9:00 a.m.

This Degree teaches loyalty to truth, and fidelity to duty.

- Directed by:**
Philip Trautman
Prologue:
Glenn A. Hedges, 32° MSA
Council Chamber in Temple in Jerusalem
Zerubbabel, Sovereign Prince:
Steven M. Lysenko
Joshua, High Priest:
Norman P. Austin
Seriah, Senior Warden:
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Councilors:

- Attendant:**
Joseph E. Bourcy III
Prompter:
Donald A. Rose, 32° MSA

18°

Knight of Rose Croix of H.R.D.M.
Following the 16°
The lessons taught in this Degree are that man must have a new Temple in his heart where God is worshipped in spirit and in truth and that he must have a new law of love which all men everywhere may understand and practice.
This degree affirms the broad principles of universality and tolerance.

- Directed by:**
Norman P. Austin
Ceremonial Section
Most Wise Master:
Philip A. Trautman
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26°

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32°

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Following the 24°
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29th Dist.
RAM



R..E..
Richard C.
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Companions, an update for those who were unable to attend the Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter in Albany. This trip was much more enjoyable than 2 years ago because of the weather for our travels. A Parade of Flags and the Posting of the Colors was an event to behold. Each District was well attended at luncheons, Reception and Banquet Dinners. Thanks for your support. Congratulations to E.. Arthur Drew, High Priest of Arcade Chapter, for his participation in the Degree of Old Saratoga. He now knows what he should do with it!

Grand Lecturer's Convention

Thank you for your support and participation for dinner and program with R..E.. William Zufall, the Grand Lecturer, on March 21st at Western Star Chapter No. 35 in Attica. We always learn from these Conventions, as he did, that the 29th District is alive and well.

Fervency and Zeal

As the last article made mention of the Fervency and Zeal Program, we have continued to conduct this program in surrounding Lodges for the Brothers to gain further light in Masonry and recover the Master's Lost Word.

Official Visits

The schedule for my Official Visit to your Chapter has been sent to the Excellent High Priest and the Secretary of your Chapter. Please ask for the date and support your Chapter by attending.

Trestleboard

Excellent High Priests of each Chapter, one of my goals and duties is to acquire a trestleboard from you and transfer it to the Regional Officer. This requirement is by the order of the new Grand High Priest, M..E.. Edmund Harrison. I plan to collect your trestleboard at my Official Visit.


Scholarships

I hope those who planned to take part in the Scholarship Program did so by April 1st deadline.

Royal Arch Charities

Please send in your contributions to support the Charities. □

**LeRoy Chapter
No. 183 RAM**



HP E.. Donald R. Read
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Sec. E.. Norman P. Austin
494-2223
8 West Main St., LeRoy

By Norman P. Austin
We're back - I guess I will be your source of communication for the balance of the term. If you

have any items of interest you would like to share in this column, just contact me at the phone number in the logo. I will be glad to convey the same to our readership. Hopefully, each of you and your families had an enjoyable Easter holiday.


Well, Grand Chapter in Albany is over for another year, and all who attended had a very enjoyable time. Unlike two years ago, the weather was more cooperative - at least until the following week, when Winter returned.

Last month was a busy month for members of LeRoy Chapter, as the Companions have been presenting Fervency and Zeal Programs throughout the District and beyond. Earlier this year, programs were conducted in both Bergen and Albion, and in March, Caledonia, Etolian, and Fillmore Lodges were able to experience this wonderful presentation. Throughout the coming months, more of these Programs are planned, along with a "Widows Program". If any Companion would like to participate in either Program, please contact either the High Priest or me, we'd love to have you join us.

During our stated conclaves, practice in Ritual has become a regular part of the evening, in order to perfect not only the Ritual itself, but floor work as well. Thus far, we have concentrated on Opening and Closing, and are continuing to reinforce other aspects as well.

In closing, a thought to ponder, "Nothing happens unless first a dream." *Carl Sandburg* □

**District Deputy
Grand High Priest**
27th
District
RAM



R..E.. Benjamin P. Thorp, Jr.
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Companions, I am proud to serve as your District Deputy and am looking forward to meeting all of you as I make my rounds. Our new A.G.L., R..E.. Mike Adamus, and I, will be working as a team, and plan to attend as many of your Chapter functions as we can. We will not be strangers.

The Grand High Priest has mandated that all Official Visits be completed by the end of June. By the time this is printed I will have made two of them, Dansville on

March 12th and Hiram on March 28th. I will be at 3X3 on June 11th. I also want to extend to them a warm welcome to our District.

Our new Grand High Priest, M..E.. Edmund D. Harrison, brings a lot of enthusiasm with him. Those who heard him talk at Grand Chapter will tell you that he sweeps you up with him in his zeal and sincerity for the Craft as a whole. He has mandated that all Chapters will put on all their own Degrees this year, regardless if they have candidates or not. Those that have trouble filling all the parts will ask the A.G.L. and D.D. for help. They, in turn, will go to the other Chapters in their Districts for assistance. Our District has always extended mutual aid to each other in this regard, so I don't see any problem with meeting this mandate. We also have worked together with the surrounding Districts in helping each other when needed as well.

Finally, I thank my predecessor, R..E.. Paul Josephson, for all his hard work. I wish him and his lovely wife, Nancy, well in their new home in Tennessee. □

3x3 Chapter RAM
NO. 333 (Chartered in 1990)



2nd Tue. 7:30 p.m.
High Priest
E.. George R. Springett
247-3557
Secretary
R..E.. Karl-Heinz Reich
426-6836
133 S. Union Street
Spencerport, 14559

Fraternal greetings to the Companions of the 27th Capitular District and congratulations to Benjamin Thorp and Michael Adamus, Jr., as the new DDGHP and AGL respectively.

Grand Chapter

Attending the Grand Chapter this year, unlike any other year, has been an experience that most High Priests may rarely encounter. The ability to share in the joy, sorrow, and festivities of being connected with two Districts has created memories of a lifetime. This provided an opportunity to meet and socialize with the Companions of our new District. It also afforded the fun of saluting R..E.. Benjamin Thorp during his entrance into the Order of Old Saratoga.

I must say it was nice that only our Chapter was specifically recognized for interesting work by M..E.. E. Donald Lounsberry during his farewell address as High


Priest of Grand Chapter. A glowing moment for 3X3 Chapter.

Looking ahead

We will be doing the Mark Master Degree on April 9th. If we have sufficient Companions there to fill the parts for the Past Master Degree, we will confer it that same night.

The Official Visit of the District Deputy has been scheduled for June 11th. Please try to attend on both of these important occasions. Let us strive for a unified transition and growth of Royal Arch Masonry. □

**District Deputy
Grand Master**



8th
Cryptic
District
R..I..
Daniel N.
Evans, Sr.
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Companions, it is time once again to select a new District Deputy for the 8th Cryptic District. Therefore, a caucus will be held for this purpose. Names will be submitted. Those names will then be turned over to the Grand Deputy Master, who will then make the selection.

Ritual

One of the most important parts of Masonry in all the Masonic Bodies is Ritual. Opening and Closing should be memorized. The use of books in Blue Lodge is not acceptable. Council should be treated the same. I have noticed a lack of interest shown by some members during meetings. Attention should be given to what is taking place in the secret vault. It is up to the Illustrious Master to see that his Council runs smoothly. It is also his responsibility to see that each and every Companion, if in line, knows his part of the Ritual. So, let us try to learn the Ritual, as titles mean nothing if members

cannot do their parts. Remember, Companions, you will only get out of Masonry what you are willing to put into it.


Charities

Do not forget our charities. The cure for Parkinson's is not far into the future. Our medical research laboratories in Utica need our help in defeating this dreaded disease.

Thought

Character is seldom achieved or created at will. It is a structure built and maintained by performance. Where properly maintained, it makes past achievement an enduring part of today and a guarantor of tomorrow. □

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Table Council

Our Table Council last month went very well, with 31 Companions and guests in attendance, including our Grand Master M..Ill.. E. William Whittaker. Sincere thanks go out to DDGM Dan Evans, and Companion Dick Anderson for all their efforts in preparing this wonderful repast; to Dan's lovely lady, Wah-neeta for being the cashier, and to Ill.. Jerry Brade and my always faithful lady, Miss Linda, for giving of their evening to serve the various courses throughout the event. In addition, I thank those Companions who gave the Toasts. Without this coordinated effort, the Table Council would not have been the success it was.

Practice makes perfect

As I alluded in last month's article, our March conclave included practice in Ritual, incor-



R..E.. Thomas Paglia-new Grand Master of the Third Vail.



R..E.. William Zufall, our new Grand Lecturer for New York.

3x3 Chapter now part of the 27th District with Hiram No. 62 and Dansville No. 91.



E.. George Springett-HP and Officers of 3x3 Chapter with E.. Dennis Gellasch (subbing for R..E.. Paul Josephson-DDGHP, 27th) and M..E.. Donald Lounsberry at the welcoming. (Photos G. Springett)



Taking on new positions R..E.. Benjamin Thorp, Jr.-DDGHP, 27th and R..E.. Mike Adamus-AGL, 27th.

April 2002

porating the new changes, as minor as they are. Incidentally, we still have time to hold a series of Degrees; if anyone is aware of any potential candidates, we are prepared to initiate them.

When a Concordant Body meets monthly, as does our Council, time passes fleetingly. It hardly seems possible that next month will be our last meeting for this Masonic Year. That conclave, on May 27th, takes place on the date that Memorial Day is observed. We will still meet, as we have in recent years, and hold the Election and Installation of Officers.

Miss Linda consistently tells me I have too much time on my hands, but possessing both qualities of inquisitiveness and thrift, the thought occurred to me the other day - When someone says to you, "A penny for your thoughts", and you put your two cents in...what happens to the other penny?

If we don't pull together, we will be pulled apart. Masonic ideals have become a little tarnished lately, but I believe love and patience will prevail. After all, things that are easy aren't usually worth much!

I wish all of you God's peace and understanding.

Schicker Club News

By Barbara Goodrich

In April, the Sir Knights will be having their Inspection, so there will be no dinner at the Temple. We will be having refreshments after their meeting, so please bring in your favorite hors d'oeuvres for a special table.

I have received a letter from Mr. Schicker, who resides in Delaware. He has read about what we are doing, and explained that our Club was named after his family! I know some of us have often wondered how we got our name. Now we know the rest of the story! Thank you, Mr. Schicker, for your interest.

**Empire State
Priory No. 46**
Knight York Cross of Honour



**Prior, Ronald J. Bertie
Registrar, Jack Jensen**

The new Officers of the Empire State Priory No. 46, Knight York Cross of Honour, were installed at the last meeting, held in Cheektowaga.



Eminent Prior, Ronald J. Bertie

The Officers installed were:
Eminent Prior **Ronald J. Bertie**
Deputy Prior **Ronald Pigman**
Warder **Anthony Oliveri**
Prelate **Reinold Nelson**
Orator **Stuart Smith**
Herald **Paul Barrera, Jr.**
Register **Jack Jensen**

The Officers were installed by Arnold Palmer, Past Prior, Installing Officer and Steven Wing, Past Prior, Installing Marshal.

Ronald J. Bertie is only the third Eminent Prior in the Empire State Priory to come from Rochester. Stanley Peterson and Arnold Palmer are the others who have been Eminent Prior.

The meeting schedule for 2002 is as follows:

- April 6th, Bergen Masonic Temple
- July 13th, Shortsville
- October 5th, Varysburg

The new Eminent Prior, Ronald Bertie, is currently the Grand Recorder Emeritus, Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, State of New York. He was Grand Commander in 1995-96. He was RE Grand Sentinel (1987), Assistant Grand Secretary (1992-95), Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons. He was on the Membership Committee Imperial Shrine of North America for five years. He is currently the Treasurer of Genesee College No. 25, and was presented with the Order of the Purple Cross in 1995. Knight Bertie holds the KYGC.

Ronald Bertie is currently working with two university systems to develop a book based on the oil painting of George Washington that was presented to the State of New York by a Commandery last year. Ronald is cur-

rently developing all of the research needed to write the book. The book will be published in the near future.

There is already a State University system sponsoring the work and will publish the book. Ron is also writing a book on effective management in fraternal organizations, why do some succeed and others fail, and is directing a motion picture on Florida train travel in the 1800's.

The Empire State Priory No. 46 is one of the first Priors in the United States to be listed on the internet. The names of the officers and meeting dates can be found there. The web site can be accessed at Yorkrite.com/KYCH46.htm. The site was just developed in the last month.

The ladies of our Knights are always invited to our functions. The Priory always has a dinner at a local restaurant after their meetings.

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Something new

At the Table Council on April 17th, the ladies are invited to join us. There will be a dinner at 6:30 p.m., followed by the Table Council. This is open to all, so do invite potential members and their ladies. This is the last program for my year as Illustrious Master, since May will be the Election and Installation.

The dinner will be Roast Beef, with Chicken for those who cannot have the Beef. Reservations are required to Ed Walker at 647-2382.

A Mystery Dinner will precede the April 11th conclave at 6:30 p.m. Notices will be forthcoming regarding suggested dishes to pass. As usual, please bring your own table service.

This Winter has seen strange weather. The snow drops, crocuses and Lenten roses have been blossoming since mid-February, even while being covered with snow every few days. Keeping the many squirrels out of the bird feeders has been providing us with entertainment, but we are growing weary of playing "squirrel keep-away". We have been having a few days of Spring-like weather and then return to Winter again.


Sir Knight David Lathers, Eminent Grand Warder, was the Inspecting Officer at the Inspection of Batavia Commandery on March 14th. A delicious Roast Pork Dinner preceded the conclave and the ladies enjoyed a program presented by Anne Rupert while the Inspection was taking place.

Date change

Due to a conflict, we will not have a conclave on April 25th. The dispensation to hold the Election of Officers at the May 9th conclave has been received from the Grand Commander.

On the keyboard of life, always keep one finger on the "escape key."

Cyrene Monroe
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3rd Monday
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April 15th is our Inspection. I thank Sagoyewatha in advance for their support for our Inspection, as well as throughout the past year.

May will be our Election and Installation of Officers. This has certainly been an interesting and diverse year. I thank all who have been generous with their support and encouragement.

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Alfred Pulcino III, Monarch

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



Alfred
Pulcino III
Monarch

Aye, aye, aye, what did I get myself into now? Fun! I think. It's going to be that way because that is what the Grotto is supposed to be about! And is. Even when you are "the boss". By this time I hope every Prophet in Lalla Rookh Grotto has a petition in his possession and is coming up with some Master Mason to give it to! We do need to get on the ball and help your fellow Brethren find out what true Grotto is all about, and we need new members as bad as they need us (the Grotto). Then we all will benefit. Most Masons don't even know that there is a Grotto or what it is all about, but that is about to change, I hope.

Regrets

So sorry for not getting an article in last month's *Times*, due to my surgery, my mind was under the influence of legal drugs and when my spirit was willing, did not think it was the thing to do. But with all that, everything turned out to be just fine and I'm on the road to recovery, I hope.

What's been happening!

Just to bring all up to date, my Lady, Shirley, and I went off to Zafar Grotto on the 26th of January, in South Williamsport, PA, for their Installation and 50th Anniversary. We were joined by eight other Prophets and their ladies from Lalla Rookh. All had a nice meal and a good time. As most of the out-of-town events are, a great time.

Missed the first Board Meeting, our Chief Justice, Douglas C. Spencer, filled in for me. I heard all went well and thanks to Doug for a nice job. He put me on the spot, as the meeting only lasted an hour.

I heard all went well at the Dutch Mill for the Grotto Legion of Honor Installation of Officers on February 9th. Congratulations to Commander Ronald Morthorst and his officers for the ensuing year. Peace, please.

On February 14th, the Grotto was involved with the Have-a-Heart Campaign at the Mall at Greece Ridge Center. Thanks to

Past Monarch, Richard W. Topel, for taking it over for me. Could not do it myself. We brought in a little over \$200.00 for the day, with just six Prophets participating. A big thank ya to you all!

They had a little help from Bubbles the Clown (Carol Miller), from Send in the Clowns. Thank you so much and lots of love from us all.

On February 15th, at 2:45 p.m., the hose came out! Hallelujah! Never to forget. With that thing gone, Shirley and I were able to attend the Caldron's Birthday Dinner at Golden Ponds. We had about eleven Prophets and their ladies there. That was a very nice showing, hope to keep it up. Those who didn't make it, you don't know what a good time you missed. With that in mind, if you didn't make the February Grotto meeting, you missed out on an old time Grotto meeting brought up to date. Oh, well! Those of us who did make it had a good free meal, libation, short meeting, then came the entertainment. Oh, boy! More libations!

On the 25th, the immediate Past Monarch, Kenneth Hutchinson, and I went out to Fairport Lodge for their meeting and to spread the word about the Grotto, with other Concordant Bodies. On March 1st, Shirley and I were off to Buffalo to rendezvous with Past President George Abraham and his lady, Barb, P.G.M. Donald Horning and his lady, Pat, all the way from California. We caravanned down to Erie, PA, for the Erepa Grotto, Tartan Ball. When we arrived, there was P.G.M. Bill Wears and his lady, Wanda, from Columbus, OH.

On Saturday we met up with P.M. Kenneth Hutchinson and his lady, Edna. Real hob-nobbing, big deal! Most of all, we all had a super great time. Oh, yeah! I even got in on Presenting the Colors in the Opening with Zuleika Grotto's Color Guard. This event had about 1,000 in attendance. Lots of people and very well organized.

On Monday, March 4th, we had our Grotto Board Meeting; well attended. The Officers held a meeting on Saturday, March 9th. Now I'm doing this article. Aye, aye, aye! My most fun thing to do!

Future events

Now for things coming up. We will be off to Warren, PA, again for Farran Grotto's Monarch's Ball on March 16th (Blair's shopping) which is always fun. March 20th is our Ladies Night meeting, to which

we invite Doric Council to join us. The Hot Flash Dancers will be there for our entertainment.

April 1st is our next Board meeting. Oh, boy, could be lots of fun, for it is Fool's Day, and that's what we're all about! April 6th is the three in one weekend in Fredonia for the Chief Justice Conclave, Kharam and Sharif Grotto's Past Monarch's Ball. Hope to see ya there. It's always a good time, and for you officers, it's a must!

April 11th is our Master Mason Night at Henrietta Town Park. Be nice if we had an overflow of people and needed to have two buildings. On the real side, hope we do have a great turnout. A big thank you to William Frendenburg and Ron Morthorst, our Membership Committee, for all their dedicated work.

We need to do our part and bring our Lodge Brothers with us. Better yet, have your Master make that night a Lodge meeting night. Then we should have some new candidates for our Spring Ceremonial to fill Cathedral Hall and then they will all see what they have been missing.

Next is our regular meeting on April 17th, Awards Night. We plan on going all out this year from our five years and up. Prophets will be pinned if they show, if they don't, guess they will have to wait and live five more years for their Pins, for they will only be given out that night. Maybe you should start getting ready right now, I know for some of us it takes some time to do this.

May will also be a busy month, the biggies are two bus trips, one is better than the other! So, it's a no miss! May 11th it's off to Turning Stone Casino for a day of making money and fun. A huge thank ya to my aide, Beverly Van-Huben, for her time and work putting this trip together for us.

Next will be the trip to Toronto, Canada. This is for sure a not to miss trip. All the information is somewhere in this issue for both trips. Both are open to all, so don't hesitate too long and get out your checkbook and make

your reservation ASAP. The trip to the Casino is filling up fast. My fingers hurt, so that is it.

Legion of Honor

By Ron Morthorst

May April showers bring May flowers and a good Spring ahead. Our meeting on March 18th was well attended. Our guest speaker, Mike Civiletti, Senior Vice Commander Veterans' Memorial Executive Council of the City of Rochester, brought us up to date on the progress at the War Memorial Veterans area. This is for all of us to see and participate in the happening there.

We are interested in building up our membership. If you are a Mason and a veteran, please feel free to call me at 334-4196 and let's talk about it. You'll be glad you did! There are many new benefits available to all veterans. Call our Monarch, Al Pulcino III at 225-8471 or me.

The Color Guard is in great shape and represents your Legion and Grotto very well. Thank you, Prophets, for a job well done.

Monday, April 15th, is our regular meeting at the Dutch Mill Party House. 6:00 p.m. is attitude adjustment, 6:30 p.m. is dinner, with reservations.

Please note

Reservations are being taken by Vice-Commander Gerry Spero at 334-7616 before Monday, April 8th. All reservations will be honored. We plan to have a speaker and give the membership a rundown of up and coming programs.

I'm looking forward to seeing you all at our functions.

Attend Grotto Meetings

- Mon., April 1st - Board of Governor's Meeting Grotto Office 7:00 p.m.
- Thurs., April 11th - Caldron Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- Thurs., April 11th - Master Mason Membership Roundup 3:00 p.m. Henrietta Town Park
- Mon., April 15th - Legion of Honor Din. 6:00 p.m. Dutch Mill Restaurant
- Wed., April 17th - Lalla Rookh Grotto meeting 7:30 p.m. Dinner at 6:30 p.m.
- Thurs., April 18th - Caldron Executive Council Home of Marcia Morrison

Enjoy the Fellowship

Master of Ceremonies

By Jerry Spero

I thank you all for phoning in your requests for the dinners in March, for both the Legion of Honor and the Grotto. You don't know how easily the preparations seem to go when I receive your dinner requests in a timely manner.

I hope you enjoyed the dinner at the Dutch Mill for the Legion of Honor. You all chose from the menu this time. Just a reminder that the meal choices on April 15th will be Meatloaf or Fish.

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Lalla Rookh Grotto Monarch's Open Masonic Bus Trip to Turning Stone Casino

May 11, 2002

- 7:30: Dep. KMart near Garden Store in Henrietta, continental Breakfast (Juice, & Danish) Need to know if Diabetic for different tray.
- 9:45: Arrive Turning Stone Good Luck!
- 4:15: Depart for Home (Time to count \$\$\$ + or -)
- 6:30: Home
- Bingo Players, no waiting, second level free.
- Slots & Table comps. Lalla Rookh Grotto
- \$3.00 Lunch coupon
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284 Electric Ave. 14613
- More info. call:
Bev Van Huben 647-1391
- Cut off May 1st

Lalla Rookh Grotto
M.O.V.P.E.R.
Annual
Master Mason Night
Thurs., April 11, 2002
Henrietta Town Park
4:00 p.m. Social Hour
6:30 p.m. Dinner
All Master Masons Welcome
Reservations required
call: 334-4753, 334-4196
by April 5, 2002

**"What Fez . . . Your ticket is Number 7
and that hat is number 7!"**

Snacks and drinks will be available Grotto night, April 17th, at 5:00 p.m. for conversations and good fellowship, maybe even a hand of cards or two. Decks of cards are always available: see me.

Those of you without reservations will be able to arrive later for the 7:30 p.m. meeting. Dinner will be Swiss Steak or Chicken and for entertainment we will have Ryan Garney, a young magician, who will keep you amazed and entertained. Please call me at 334-7616 for both the Legion of Honor and Grotto dinner reservations. □

Clowns

By Uncle Al

I'm back!! This new Monarch we have been on my case about putting in this article, so here we go.

Our Clown Unit helped out at the Shrine Circus on March 22nd-24th. We did such a good job I believe we have a new Master Mason becoming a Prophet, just to join us in the Clown Unit.

I hope so, so, so! Well, I have been trying to hide from this new boss of ours, but no luck...he is asking for everything all at one time. I keep telling him he has one whole year to do everything, but he tells me nothing is happening. I say, "So, oh, well!"

Happy birthday to all of you Prophets who had a birthday since the first of the year. If you would have let me know, I would

have tried to make the party. Too bad you are all one year older now, and how long do you plan on partying each year on the same day?

There is a Clown Convention coming up. I think it's in Canton, Ohio this year. More on that in the next Times issue.

Keep smiling 'til next time! □

Membership

By Bill Fredenburg

Prophets, Master Mason Night is Thursday, April 11th, at the Henrietta Town Park. It is not too late to ask a Brother Mason to be our guest for this important Membership Program. Reservations are required by April 4th. Call Ron Morthorst at 334-4196 for more information. See the ad in this issue of the Masonic Times.

The Membership Committee is starting the Lalla Rookh Grotto Ambassador Program. We are asking the help of all Prophets in making this Program a success. Please support your Grotto in this Program. □

Caldron News

By Cecil Losinger, MCO

Where does the time go? March is here already and we are in the midst of changes in our future as a place and night to meet. I'll keep you informed as to the latest developments.

On March 14th, we initiated Annette Towle into our Caldron and I thank everyone for a very nice evening.

Smorgasbord

Plans for our Spring Smorgasbord are unfolding and we will be happy to serve you our usual variety of food on Saturday, April 13th from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Donation is \$7.00 for adults and \$3.50 for children. Tickets can be purchased from Caldron members or call me at 865-4616 for reservations. We will need some idea how many to prepare for. Remember, a reservation made is a reservation paid. Hope to see you there.

Calendar dates and changes

Our Caldron meeting is April 11th at 7:00 p.m.

On April 18th the Executive Council will meet at Daughter Marcia Morrison's home. She has a new address.

May 2nd is the first work group for Convention and will be held at Daughter Beverly Murray's at 7:30 p.m.

Our Supreme Visitation is June 13th. Dinner is at 6:00 p.m. Make your reservations with Daughter Beverly Murray, please. We will be having breakfast on the 14th and tour around the city after. More information as plans are finalized.

Changes to note

Our Executive Council is changed to September 19th, due to a conflict of meetings.

Our October meeting will be on the 3rd. We will have reports and Election at this time. □

Masonic Gothic Bowling League

Secretary
John J. Flynn,
227-6106

Phil Averbach earned two Senior Awards on different nights. He rolled a 546 series to earn a Patch for a series 125 pins over his average and a 213 game to earn a Patch for a game 75 pins over his average.

In February, league bowlers rolled 11 600 series and 55 200 games. 600 series were rolled by Rick Flanagan - 653 (258, 222), Jason Dale - 640 (228) and 638 (242), Don Weis - 634 (235), 627 (219), and 600, Bud Crane - 624 (234), Jeremy Fromm - 617 (234), Scott Weis - 617 (224, 222), JR Fogarty - 609 (247), and Brendan Dady - 605 (226).

Other notable scores included Chris Masi - 265, Bud Crane - 236, Bill Rubert - 235 and 227, David Hoerth - 224, Jeremy Fromm - 222, John Flynn - 222, and Jason Dale - 220.

The league bowls at Maiden Lanes at 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday nights. If you are interested in bowling as a regular or sub, please contact me. □



Prophets all! Alfred Pulcino III-Monarch (Fame Lodge), Greg Ludwig (Marshal, Fairport Lodge), Brian Bills (Treasurer, Fairport Lodge) Ken Hutchinson-PM (PM Webster Lodge).



The Grotto Story was presented to Fairport Lodge on February 25th. Alfred Pulcino III-Monarch, W. Michael S. Morris-Master, and Kenneth Hutchinson-PM. (Photos courtesy Ken Hutchinson)



Zuleika Grotto's Color Guard at the Tarton Ball. Donald A. Horning, Sr.-PGM, George Abraham-PM, Robert Chapman-PM, Alfred Pulcino III-(Monarch Lalla Rookh), Richard Loebbar-PM, and Brian Singer-PM.

Lalla Rookh Grotto
Monarch's Open Masonic Bus Trip

May 22, 2002
Toronto Ont. Canada

7:30: Dep. Old Ames Plaza, Howard Rd. & Lyell Ave.
11:45: Arrive Old Scott House, Scarborough, Ont.
Noon: Sit down luncheon (Super fine dining)
1:30: "Viva Las Vegas" (Great fun)
3:00: Depart for Harbor Front - Free time at Queens Quay until sailing (3 deck paddle wheeler)
4:30: One Hour Cruise on the Mariposa in Harbor
5:30: Free time at Eaton Center
7:30: Depart for home
10:30: Arrive Rochester

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May 11	Open Grotto Bus Trip to Turning Stone
May 22	Open Grotto Bus Trip to Toronto & show
Jun. 22	Open Grotto Golf Tournament - Old Hickory CC
Jul. 13	Hobert Cook Testimonial Dinner Barbagallos Restaurant, East Syracuse
Aug. 16-17	Grand Council, Marriott Thruway, Henrietta, NY
Sept. 20, 21	Grand Commandery
Nov. 3	Interfaith Service and Brunch, Logan's

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Sat. - 2:00, 8:00 p.m.
Sun. - 2:00, 7:00 p.m.

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8:00 p.m.

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Commodos	78
Crutches	226
Walkers	188
Wheelchairs	110
Miscellaneous	9
Total	867

April Flower - Sweet pea
April Gem - Diamond

Big Calendar April 2002

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>2002 MARCH 2002</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31</p> <p>Attica Lodge Pancake Breakfast Apr. 7 & 21 8 - 11 a.m.</p> <p>Daylight Saving Time Begins, Spring Ahead</p> <p>Masonic Family Day DTT Cathedral Hall 2:00 p.m.</p>	<p>1 Canandaigua - Shortsville West Star - Varysburg</p> <p>OES - Etolian, Irondequoit, Germania, LeRoy</p> <p>Shrine Lunch Club</p> <p>April Fools Day</p> <p>2 ERAC-East Rochester, 3rd Etolian - Spencerport Fairport Mt. Vernon - Java Village Union Star - Honeoye Falls Wakan/Hubbard - Penfield</p> <p>RAM - Excelsior-Shortsville</p> <p>OES - Charlotte, Mary Jane Holmes</p> <p>Shrine Lunch Club</p>	<p>2 Charlotte/Corinthian Clio - Hilton Craftsman Robertson Oakland - Castile Warsaw</p> <p>OES - Fairport, Monroe, Nolatka, Perry, Webster</p> <p>3 Arcade Batavia Craftsman/Robertson Fame Monroe - Brockport Seneca - Webster Valley/Simes</p> <p>RAM - 3x3, Dansville, Wyoming</p> <p>OES - Leah - Hilton</p>	<p>3 Attica Olive Branch - LeRoy Livonia</p> <p>Damascus Shrine</p> <p>OES - Henrietta</p> <p>4 Churchville Oatka - Scottsville Triluminar - Pike</p> <p>Masonic Service Bureau Monthly Luncheon Meeting</p> <p>OES - Batavia, Corinthian/ Fellowship, Canandaigua/ Fenogewone - Shortsville</p>	<p>4 Constellation - Perry Hesperus - Bergen Northfield - Pittsford Webster</p> <p>Scottish Rite - Feast of the Paschal Lamb</p> <p>5 Eagle Valley - Bliss Flower City - Fairport Milnor - Victor, 3rd</p> <p>Lalla Rookh Caldron</p> <p>Lalla Rookh Grotto Master Mason Night Henrietta Town Park</p> <p>RAM - Hiram, MEM</p>	<p>5 Spaghetti Dinner Webster Lodge 5 - 7 p.m. \$6, child \$3 30 Orchard St. Webster</p> <p>6 OES - Rochester Chapter</p> <p>OES - District Meeting</p>	<p>8 Lalla Rookh Caldron Smorgasbord</p> <p>Grand Master's Testimonial Dinner - Lockport</p>
<p>7 Clio Lodge Spaghetti Dinners Apr. 10 & 24 East Ave., Hilton</p>	<p>8 KT - Cyrene/Monroe - Inspection</p> <p>Grotto Legion of Honor</p> <p>OES - Etolian, Irondequoit, Germania, LeRoy</p> <p>Shrine Lunch Club</p>	<p>9 Charlotte/Corinthian Clio - Hilton, 2nd Craftsman Robertson, 2nd Oakland - Castile Warsaw</p> <p>OES - Fairport, Monroe, Nolatka, Perry</p>	<p>10 Attica Olive Branch - LeRoy Livonia</p> <p>L.S.O.M.E. - DTT</p> <p>Lalla Rookh Grotto</p> <p>RSM - Doric Council</p> <p>OES - Henrietta</p>	<p>11 Constellation - Perry Hesperus - Bergen Northfield - Pittsford Webster</p> <p>Scottish Rite Reunion</p> <p>RAM - Western Star</p>	<p>12 100th Anniversary Hesperus Lodge No 837, Bergen</p>	<p>13 Scottish Rite Reunion - DTT, 8:30 a.m.</p> <p>Sagoyewatha Commandery Phelps 9 a.m.</p>
<p>14 Triluminar Lodge Pancake Breakfast, Pike - 8 to 11 a.m.</p>	<p>15 ERAC - East Rochester Etolian - Spencerport Mt. Vernon - Java Village Wakan/Hubbard - Penfield, 2nd</p> <p>OES - Charlotte,</p> <p>Earth Day</p> <p>Shrine Lunch Club</p>	<p>16 Arcade Batavia Craftsman/Robertson Fame Monroe - Brockport Seneca - Webster Valley/Simes</p> <p>OES - Leah - Hilton</p>	<p>17 Churchville Milnor - Victor Oatka - Scottsville Triluminar - Pike</p> <p>Tall Cedars - Penfield</p> <p>OES - Batavia, Corinthian/ Fellowship, Canandaigua/ Fenogewone - Shortsville</p> <p>Secretaries Day</p>	<p>18 Eagle Valley - Bliss Milnor - Victor</p> <p>RAM - Grand Lecturer's Convention, 27th Dist. Hiram, DTT</p>		
<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30 Deadline for Grand Lodge Educational Assistance Applications</p>	<p>Willie Mays</p> <p>Won't be long now!</p>	<p>2002 MAY 2002</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31</p>		