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Grand Master, M.W., Carl J. Fitje, to Speak at Service Bureau Interfaith Service and Brunch



By Linda Zahn, Chairperson
The Interfaith Service at Logan's Party House on November 3rd is at 10:00 a.m., with the Brunch to follow at 11:00 a.m.

Have you bought your ticket yet? If not, please do so NOW. They are available from any Director, the Service Bureau Office, Moe Schirano at 265-3932, or someone in your group. Many Masons and Eastern Star members will be involved making it truly an inter-Lodge, inter-Eastern Star, as well as, Interfaith Service.

Those taking part in the Service include R.W.: Richard C. Friedman, who will present the Meditation; Rt. Wthy. Neil Laundry, and Wthy. Shirley Mercer, Scripture

readings; and Father Otto Vogt, the Prayer. Music will be supplied by Rt. Wthy. Beverly Murray and Wthy. Wendy Eversole.

Brunch will be highlighted by the presentation of the Distinguished Community Service



R.W.: Richard Friedman
Master of Ceremonies.

Award to Bonnie Vahey, Executive Director of the Ronald McDonald House, and the main address given by M.W.: Carl J. Fitje, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons in the State of New York. Bring neighbors, friends and family. This is an opportunity for them to observe and hear of the good work we all do without being given a "sales pitch". Come and sit with someone you don't know and get to know them. Make this truly an Inter-Fraternal gathering. I am sure you will leave with a warm feeling in your heart and also be a better person. I always feel this way and I'm sure many others always do, also. □

Service Bureau Appeal

By R.W.: Vernon L. Goodrich

This year's Appeal is more important than ever. The United Way contributions to be paid to the Service Bureau are down significantly from previous years. The Service Bureau is looking at building at the Shrine and our eventual move and remodeling will be expensive. Meanwhile, our work must go on. I know the market has affected most everyone (including the Service Bureau), but we desperately need your financial help.

Please remember all your Service Bureau does for the Fraternity and the Community. □

One Day Class

By R.W.: Alan Morgan, SGW

The Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York, M.W.: Carl J. Fitje, has proclaimed that March 29, 2003 there will be a "One Day Class" to raise 5,000 new candidates to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. All three Degrees will be conferred in one day. The 1st° and 2nd° Degrees will take place on the morning and the 3rd° in the afternoon. Classes will take place in ten different locations throughout the State. There will be a site Coordinator for each location.

The first targeted group is those who have received their 1st° only. The second targeted group is family and friends.

In order to make this venture successful we must have the cooperation of all Master Masons. Lodges should be planning a Brother Bring-a-Friend Night, now! When you receive the name of a potential candidate have him fill out a Lodge petition as you do currently. The interview practice stays the same.

Lodges need to receive and investigate potential candidates no later than February 23, 2003. Initiation fees must be collected, in full, up front.

Lodges must notify the Coordinators of additional candidates no later than March 28, 2003.

Each Lodge must supply their candidates with a mentor whose responsibility it will be to see that they become proficient throughout the new MDC Program supplied by Grand Lodge.

One exemplar will be used for the Ritual, all the remaining candidates will be in suits and Aprons, and furnished with the Holy Bible, Square and Compasses.

Sixty percent of the Grand Lodges in the United States have done or are doing a One Day Class.

We should all support our Grand Master in this endeavor and remember that when each of us were kneeling at the Altar we promised to support the Grand Master. □

Edict of the

Grand Master of Minnesota

Whereas: The Grand Lodge of Minnesota at its 148th Annual Communication extended fraternal recognition to the Grand Lodge of France, and;

Whereas: The Grand Lodge of Minnesota has taken this action based upon our study and conviction of the regularity of the Grand Lodge of France and in deference to the application of the rule of territorial exclusivity deemed by us to no longer be a relevant test of regularity, and;

Whereas: Our actions have caused a number of sister jurisdictions to suspend recognition with the Grand Lodge of Minnesota in rigid conformity with the standards of the North American, Conference of Grand Masters Committee on Information for Recognition, and;

Whereas: This has made impossible the visitation of our members in these jurisdictions, and;

Whereas: The Grand Lodge of Minnesota will host the North American Conference of Grand Masters in February, 2003 for their annual meeting, and;

Whereas: Meaningful change and discussion of this issue is best done in dialogue and consensus in the forum of this North American fraternal association; now

Therefore: Be it resolved that it is my order to forthwith suspend our recognition of the Grand Lodge of France to the end that we may again enjoy fraternal benefits of mutual recognition and visitation with all sister jurisdictions. Also, it is my intent to more properly discuss the standards and application of standards of regularity in this larger area of discussion.

The Grand Lodge of Minnesota wishes to re-establish greater trust in the decisions and processes of the North American Conference of Grand Masters

Committee on Information for Recognition. We also desire to promote the continued unity and amity of all North American jurisdictions. This action is therefore taken to encourage the process of meaningful dialogue and change.

Canadian soldiers honored

Led by proud Canadian and Imperial Potentate of the Shrine of North America, Kenneth W. Smith, the Shriners paid respects to their fallen Canadian comrades on Sunday, March 17, 2002, in Ottawa.

Imperial Sir Smith was accompanied by Peter F. Phillips, Commander of the International Association of Legions of Honor, and over 70 Nobles and their ladies. The attendees came from as far as Jacksonville, Florida, to watch them lay a wreath on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, located at the National War Memorial in downtown Ottawa, Canada. This is the first year the Shrine has taken part in this ceremony.

"As a Canadian, I am very honored that we are able to recognize our fallen soldiers," said Imperial Sir Smith. "This ceremony means so much to so many people - Americans and Canadians alike - especially during these time of world struggle. We must never forget what these men and women did for our freedom."

The Shrine has also been laying wreaths on the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington, Virginia, for almost 20 years. Past Commander John Bartrug, of India Temple in Oklahoma City, laid the first wreath in 1983. It has been a tradition ever since. Last year's ceremony took place on November 3rd, with Imperial Sir Smith, Commander Phillips, and hundreds of Shriners and onlookers present.

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Editor's Corner

By Don Brugger
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Editorial license

We have had some dissatisfaction from our authors about inclusion of material in their columns. To clarify this let me reiterate the fifth item from our "Submission Hints" handout sheet:

Do expect us to edit for length, and to avert potential libelous or actionable situations (we do have legal restraints). The *Masonic Times*, like the Lodge, is not a forum for individual piques or grudges. If you use copy from other sources, get permission and always include the source cited. In addition to that, if we receive a request from a Brother that his name not be mentioned, we will honor that request.

Many times in composing the pages of the *Times* it becomes necessary to change the wording or abbreviate an article to prevent awkward continuations or placement. If this alteration is significant we will contact the author for his approval. If an article is particularly lengthy we may print part of the article and save the remainder for the next issue. If, however, we have room to include the entire article, we will.

If you have questions about our policies or if you would like a copy of our handout, please call me at the Office, Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. to Noon.

A caution on "Jargon"

The Masonic Fraternity, from its inception, has promoted ties of mutual affection and Brotherly love. Although at times we fall short of these goals, they are still the primary characteristics to which we aspire. "Customers," on the other hand, are objects that are courted for profit. Although the entrepreneur does all he can to satisfy his objects of profit, his motives do not include looking after the objects well being or ultimate welfare. Although the objects of our concern may be customers initially, they most certainly are not customers once they are taken into the Fraternity. We should be cautious of how we refer to our **Brothers**.

Ain't it awful!

Deadlines are a necessity, although little noticed. We should all learn to deal with them. This is especially true for our authors.

Any publication must have time to get their copy edited, proofed

and set (about 45,000 words for the *Masonic Times*). Then there is the printers turn-around time to take into account. Of course, there is always that last article that usually comes in a week or so after the deadline. All in all, a time consuming operation.

So, don't waste valuable space complaining or making excuses for not communicating with your Brothers in print (unless humorous in nature, this will not be printed). **Deal with it!** □

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The Masonic Service Bureau is working closely with the Shrine. The Service Bureau Board has passed a resolution to build an extension building at the Shrine, dependent, of course, on a cost analysis. The TCC Committee is again negotiating for the organizations now meeting at the Downtown Temple. Now that the building problem has apparently been solved, the TCC and the Shrine should now be able to agree upon a lease.

It looks good, at this time, for the men's and women's organizations to be able to move at the end of December, 2002. Let's keep our fingers crossed!

Brotherhood

May we all work together to stay together. If individuals or groups each go their own way, all will suffer. A house divided cannot stand. Each of our organizations has, over the last few years, had a severe reduction in its membership. We must work in harmony and take advantage of the Grand Master's decision to have a One Day Class. This is a golden opportunity for each Lodge and Concordant Body to significantly increase its membership. The Shrine, Grotto, Consistory and York Rite Bodies must direct their energy in getting new members for the Blue Lodges. If all organizations direct their energies in getting new members for the Blue Lodges, they in turn will help themselves. Let us all focus our thoughts on Unity.

As Grand Master Fitje says, "DBMP BMS, which means, don't bring me problems, bring me solutions." □

MSB Community Service

By Harold Bollotin

There has been no activity during the past Summer months.

There is only one event scheduled for the near future. It is the Annual Al Sigi Walkabout Fundraiser at Market Place Mall the afternoon of September 27th.

I have participated, representing the Masonic Service Bureau, for many years. I have always been accompanied by fellow members of the local magician societies. The Shrine Clowns have also participated under their own auspices. □

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Your Legal Rights FYI

By Phillip Hurwitz, Esq.

Privileges

Last month I covered privileges regarding conversations between physician and patient; psychologist and patient and social worker and client. This month I will cover the most important privilege, the privilege against self-incrimination.

The privilege against self-incrimination is found in both the United States Constitution (5th Amendment) and the New York Constitution (art 1, §6). This privilege provides that no person may be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself.

The protection offered by this right isn't automatic. If you don't use it, you may lose it. Let's consider the following example: Your son is home from college. He still has the car you gave him for graduation. On a particular Saturday, your car is in the shop for repair. You borrow your son's car. Unbeknownst to you, your son has been trafficking in narcotics while away at school. In the trunk of the car are 4 kilos of marijuana and a .22 cal. pistol.

You are speeding along 490 when out of nowhere a State Trooper is behind you with flash-

ers on. You pull over. The officer asks for your license, registration and insurance card. You forgot to ask your son for his registration and insurance card before you left the house. All you can give the officer is your license. Because it is a warm day, the officer thinks he smells something slightly sweet coming from the trunk. The officer asks you in a friendly, non-threatening manner if he can take a look inside the trunk. Question: Do you have to let him?

This can go either way. Being a law-abiding citizen, and being

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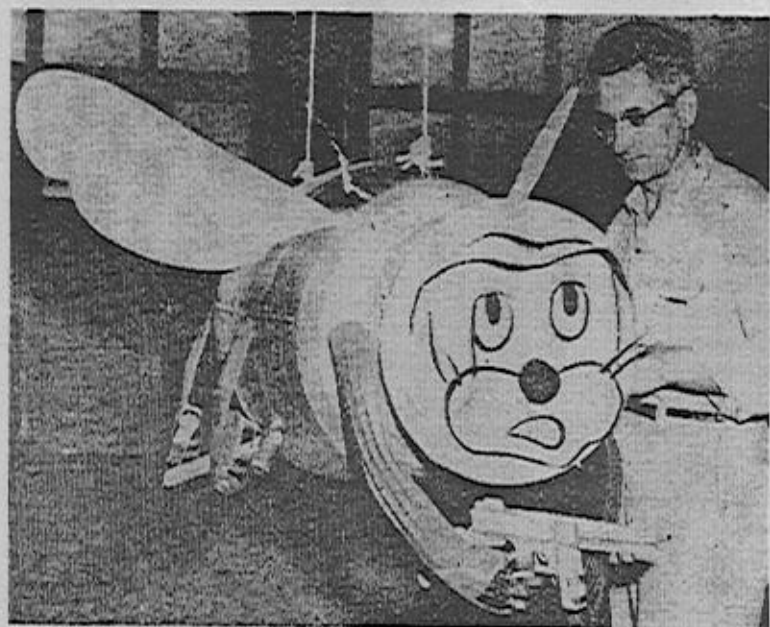
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Who is This Guy?



From a May 1961 local newspaper. The "SeaBee", at last report, is now in the Port Hueneme, CA Museum. (Answer next month.)

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CHAIRMAN, VETERAN'S SERVICE

The following are excerpts from a speech made by R.W. Thomas Paglia to the new District Deputies on St. John's Day in Utica.

I haven't much time to inform you of what the Masonic Veterans Service Committee does for the veterans. Why? There are three things that will prevent me from doing this: first of all, it would take all day to describe what the Masonic Veterans Service Committee does; secondly, they have started the clock and, if I don't finish on time, someone is on the side with a long cane ready to drag me off by the neck.

A short introduction

One day I received a long distance call from our great Past Grand Master, M.W. Carl Smith, who was traveling, I believe, from New York City to Albany for a meeting. He asked me to be Chairman of the Masonic Veterans Service Committee. Getting a call like this can really stun you, especially when coming from the Grand Master. So, after recuperating, I said "Yes, it would be an honor and a privilege to Chair the Committee."

R.W. Moses Hyman, was stepping down, due to health reasons, after serving seven years. A finer man and Mason would be hard to find. It did not make any difference as to time of day or evening; any member of the Committee could call on him for advice. Moe always had a kind word for everyone. With his leadership, the Committee did wonderful things for veterans.

We will miss his pleasant smile, soft spoken voice, professional way of handling people, great knowledge for veterans affairs, and his wonderful way of always contacting the right people. R.W. Moses Hyman is a very dear friend, as close to me as any person can be. I've always held him in high esteem and will continue to have him as my mentor. He has left large footprints to fill and I hope I can fill even a portion of them. With the approval of the Committee, R.W. Moses Hyman has been given the title "Emeritus."

**Masonic Veterans Service
Function**

The New York State Masonic Veterans Service Committee every year distributes over \$7,000 worth of comfort kits including combs, toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap dishes, and other assorted items. They also distribute canteen books, socks, pens, writing paper, reading books, fruit, karaoke tapes, and many other items. All in all, this Committee purchases over \$30,000 in items to give to the veterans, plus donating many hours and some of their own personal finances.

I am asking one favor from each of you. That is to give as much assistance as possible to the Grand Lodge VA Representative nearest you and help at the VA Medical Center to which he is assigned. Some only have one or two volunteers and more can be very helpful. You have a close relationship with the Lodges in

your District; this is where volunteers can be found.

**The Masonic Veterans Service
Committee**

The Committee services 15 Medical Centers (formerly hospitals) throughout New York State. Their primary purpose is to help the Volunteer Coordinator at each Center with programs like raising funds for picnics, National Salute to the Veterans Week, holidays, birthdays, or special Veterans Days in November of each year. This Committee is a year long affair.

Visitations

I have spent almost twenty-five years visiting at the Canandaigua VA Medical Center. In all of those years, it never got easier. The time given by Masonic volunteers would cost millions, if they were paid. Gifts given to the veterans at Medical Centers cost thousands of dollars each year; all of this comes from individual contributions.

On special days, like a birthday, they receive a canteen book. The veterans visited by the Masonic Canandaigua group receive ice cream and cookies. All cookies are sugar free and the ice cream is low in sugar and fat. This is because there are a large number of veterans who are diabetic.

There are times when the Representatives and Deputy Representatives make two or three visits a month. The volunteers visit one Sunday a month, but many visit every day. There are 16 volunteers in our group; five are ladies. Four of these ladies are Eastern Star members. There is also an Eastern Star group, plus a Waves organization, who visit.

During the visit, the volunteers talk about the resident's years in service, their family life, where they lived, how they were employed and other personal topics. Usually the veterans do not wish to discuss their military history, especially if they had seen action on the front lines.

When you relate to them that you had gone through some of the same things they had, a kinship develops. The veterans are very drawn to talking about their war experiences. They will try. I say "try," because their memory can be short, and slowly they let things out. As they get into their experiences, they start to choke up and actually relive the scenes, and many start to cry. These conversations actually make them feel better because they let out emotions which they have held back.

One part they really enjoy is the time for singing. Usually there is someone who can play the piano and knows songs of past years. At the Canandaigua VA we have one veteran who actually played in the big bands, but now has memory problems. It doesn't seem rational that he can't recall your name five minutes after you talk with him or carry on a normal conversation, but can recall songs he played 30 or 40 years ago. When he plays, he is his old self again, like in another world back in time. Some of the veterans are as lovable as can be, but some can turn belligerent. You have to be careful what you say.

Enjoyable times

The most enjoyable times are Christmas and Veterans Week. At Christmas every veteran receives at least two gifts. They are like little children when Santa Claus arrives.

At Veterans Week the USO girls arrive and do a 45 minute show. Singing, visiting, giving a hug and kiss. Just making them forget their problems is the best

therapy they can receive. For a time the residents are in another world, enjoying themselves as if in another time or place.

Many are a long distance from home and seldom, if at all, see their families or friends. The veterans seem invigorated in spirit. They join in the fun and really let go. It is a very pleasant experience for our Masonic Service Committee to see. When it's time to leave, some actually cry and would like us to stay. All of our Masonic volunteers experience these same emotions...feelings that stay with you for a lifetime.

Who makes up our Committee

Our Masonic Veterans Service Committee is made up of many who, themselves, went through turbulent military experiences. Take R.W. Harold Lasker, for instance, who is a Grand Lodge VA Representative at the Albany Medical Center. If you read the "Empire State Mason" magazine, you know that he was a distinguished World War II hero. He received many citations for bravery beyond the call of duty. He has given many hours of service to helping veterans.

Each and everyone of our Grand Lodge VA Representatives has had a distinguished military history. Most of our Representatives are in their 60's, 70's and 80's, and are still going strong. Their whole life is centered around bringing a better life to our veterans. Our Committee is made up of veterans who served in every war starting with World War II. Now the ranks are getting thin. It would be impossible to relate all these experiences. These Masons and Eastern Star members visit week after week without any Grand Lodge or Eastern Star financial assistance. Without these volunteers, the Masonic Veterans Service Committee could not function.

My history

I am one of the original Seabees. An organization which was formed during World War II. I served eight and one-half years of active duty and 40 years in the Reserves. I served in the Aleutian Islands, where there was a woman behind every tree. The only trouble was, there were no trees on my island. For those of you who like salmon, they were huge and free for the taking in the streams.

I also was on active duty during the Korean Conflict. This time I was teaching the Sailors how to weld ship's hulls to repair damage. I was slated for Viet Nam, but was saved by the numbers. Guess they thought I was better off training recruits.

Two short stories

A few years ago while having ice cream and cookies at a ward party, I noticed an elderly man all dressed up looking out a window. He looked like he had just come from church. I asked the question, "How are you doing?". He answered, "Not too good." I asked him how come? He said he was put there by his son because the man's wife was sick with cancer and his son could not take care of both of them. The real reason, he said, was that his son wanted his house. His wife had not long to live and he wanted to be with her. After talking with him for a half hour, I left. I went to the office and told them the story, and he was soon back home with his beloved wife.

On the flip side, I met a young man who was in a wheelchair. I asked his name. Silence. I asked the nurse what was wrong and she replied that he was in deep de-

pression and would not talk to anyone. I found out he had just received a new stereo set and he liked to listen to semi-classical and piano music, just up my alley.

I figured, what can I lose? I asked him if I could see the set and told him I liked the same kind of music. His eyes lit up. He turned his chair towards his room and we went in. He put a record on and we both listened. After 15 minutes, I left. This continued for a few weeks, then one day he said, "Thanks." That was the first word he had spoken in months. Then one day I went to visit and he was gone. He had died a few days before. I guess he went into deep depression and willed himself to die. It was like losing an old friend. This is the sad part.

Your Official Visits

When you make your Official Visits to the Lodges, kindly remind the Brothers that they can designate part of their Blue Envelope donation for Veterans Service. This is our only source of financing, and without their help, we are limited in what we can do. Our services are essential in helping to keep up the veteran's pride and spirits. Many of our veterans are from far away places and have little contact with family or friends. Our Committee is the closest thing they have to family.

A request to you

What I am asking is for you to get in touch with your local VA Grand Lodge Representatives and give them a hand. They will be more than pleased to hear from you. Many do their job understaffed and never complain. They do it with love, compassion, and pride. I know that when I make the visits, I say to myself, but for the Grace of God, there I would be. There is a young lady of 99 years who has over 70,000 hours at the Canandaigua Veterans Hospital. That is true dedication. She started right after World War II and is still making the visits.

Remind the Lodges

While you are making your visits and speaking to the Lodges, would you remind the Brethren

they can support the Veterans Service Committee by selecting that option. We would greatly appreciate it. We need your help. I am sure you will do everything you can to give the Representatives all of the assistance you can.

If you think you know a lot about Masonry now, wait until you finish your two years. You will have gone through some real experiences. The knowledge you will gain will help you in all your future endeavors.

Best of luck in this new Masonic venture. Thank you for listening and God bless each and everyone of you. □

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Monroe
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Musings

Fall is officially here and the Masonic year is well under way. This month I will make Official Visits on the following dates to the listed Lodges.

- October 1st - Clio Lodge No. 779
- October 3rd - Webster Lodge No. 538
- October 8th - Fame Lodge No. 722
- October 14th - Wakan/Hubbard Lodge No. 154
- October 23rd - Oatka Lodge No. 759

MSAT Program

The District Kick Off Meeting on August 28th was a success, except I forgot to recognize one of the District programs and the chairman. For this I apologize. The Brother I missed was W. Gabe Milonni, who will be working to introduce the Masonic Student Assistance Training (MSAT) Program to those local school districts that have not participated in the Program. The MSAT Program gives the teachers the methods and training to identify students at risk. It also gives the teacher the methodology for addressing and resolving the situation in a non-confrontation team approach. More information can be obtained from W. Gabe.

Brotherhood Fund

This year the District Brotherhood Fund Chairman is W. Allen Fowler. Brother Al is a Past Master of Fairport Flower City Lodge. Worshipful Masters should supply Brother Al with the name of their Lodge Brotherhood Fund Chairman. Brother Al is the contact for all matters pertaining to the Brotherhood Fund. He may be reached by phone at 377-0479 or e-mail at fowler2@frontier.net.

Lodges and Buildings

The area of Lodges and building will be handled again by R.W. Joe Privitera. Brother Joe is the contact for Grand Lodge Lodges and Building Committee. It is expected that each Lodge has completed the Lodge profile by filling out the notebook given to each Lodge two years ago. Questions on these matters can be directed to Brother Joe at 392-5583.

Membership Development

R.W. Joe Privitera will be doing double duty by handling the Membership Development activities. These include the Loss Prevention Program that each Lodge should have in place. No Brother should be dropped from the rolls of a Lodge without full investigation of the Brother and his current circumstances. Brother Joe can assist the Lodges in setting up good loss prevention programs.

The educational area of Membership Development will be handled by R.W. Derek VanHouten in his position as Grand Sword Bearer. Brother Derek has a team to assist him.

October 29th

The Grand Lecturer's Convention will be held on October

29th. The Assistant Grand lecturers have addressed the specifics of the Convention in their article. However, I am issuing a challenge to the Lodges of the Monroe District. In 1994 the then two Monroe Districts had nine Lodges receive the Howard Potts Award for attendance at the Grand Lecturer's Convention. I challenge the 2003 Masters to meet or exceed this historic mark. The Howard Potts Award bring honor to the Lodge receiving it and shows the dedication of the Master, Wardens, and Officers of the Lodge to the Ritual, the foundation of the Craft.

Distinguished Masons

Another important event happening in October is the Valley of Rochester AASR sponsored Symbolic Lodge Awards Night, to be held on Thursday, October 17th. This is the evening where a Lodge can recognize the efforts of a Lodge Brother. The Grand Master will be the presenter. The event is open to the public and all are invited. There will be several other Awards given at this event for Masons in the District who have distinguished themselves in Masonic and other endeavors. One of these awards is new to the Monroe District, the Daniel Carter Beard Award. This Award is for a Mason who is more than active in the Boy Scouts of America. The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania administers the Award. Come and see who is receiving this Award.

Road to the East

Every Brother who aspires to be Master of his Lodge should take the Road to the East Program. Wardens of the Lodge in the District are encouraged to take this course as it supplies the basic education necessary for a good Lodge year. R.W. Derek VanHouten is working with the surrounding Districts to again put together a multi-District course. It has been shown that the interaction of Brethren from other Districts leads to innovative interchange of ideas.

Interfaith Service and Brunch

The month of November will start with a truly excellent Masonic event, the Interfaith Service and Brunch to be held on Sunday, November 3rd at 10:00 a.m. at Logan's Party House on Scottsville Road. The Distinguished Community Service Award will be given to Bonnie Vahey, Executive Director of the local Ronald McDonald House. The Grand Master will be in attendance to present the Award and address those present. See your Master for tickets. If you can't reach your Master, call me at 223-3228 and I will supply the tickets.

It is, and always has been, a privilege and honor to be either an elected or appointed officer of a Lodge. No Brother should take an appointed or elected position in a Lodge lightly. The duties of an officer in a Lodge are many and varied according to the customs and traditions of the Lodge. The standard duties, as I see them, are as follows. An Officer, from the Master to the Stewards to the Marshal, should attend every Lodge meeting. The governance of the Lodge is in the care of all the officers. When Degrees are conferred, all officers should be present and properly dressed. The dignity and solemnity of the Degrees of the Craft dictate that all the officers of the Lodge wear a black tuxedo, with a pleated, but not ruffled white formal dress shirt. The tie and vest or cummer-

bund, should follow Lodge custom.

All the officers should know the floor work for their position and the position next in line. They should also know the Ritual work for their position and be learning the work for the next position in line. The Wardens must be prepared to conduct the Opening Ritual of the Lodge is the occasion occurs when the Master or one of the Wardens is unable to attend due to health, family or business matters. Every Lodge has some customary or traditional duties for its officers; every officer should be familiar with the Lodge customs and traditions and perform those customary duties to the best of his ability. Every Brother present at a Lodge meeting will enjoy and appreciate the meeting more when the officers display the correct decorum and do the work well.

I was told of an incident where a Lodge officer worked hard to get several Brothers who had not been in Lodge for a long while to attend a meeting. He succeeded, but the Brothers came up to him after the meeting and mentioned that they were not impressed with the Ritual work. How tragic that after all the work to get the Brothers to the meeting they witnessed mediocre work.

My Brothers, the future of our beloved Craft starts with the attitudes and actions of our Lodge officer and how the Brethren, especially new Brethren, perceive the Lodge and its rendering of the Ritual.

One Day Class

Many of you may be wondering about the Grand Master's One Day Class to be held on March 29th. I do not have all the details or procedures at this time, but as details become available, they will be contained both in this column and in other articles in the *Times*.

In closing, remember that every Brother in the District knows something about Freemasonry that no one else knows. Think about these things, and share them with another Brother. □

Grand Sword Bearer



Monroe
R.W.:
Derek E.
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The long Summer days are but a lingering memory, Fall colors fill the senses and our beloved Fraternity is back at work in the quarries. Our 16 Lodges are opened, tiled and tested, and the sound of the gavel in the East calls the Craft from refreshment to labor.

The Common Gavel, so many times we overlook the importance of this most powerful tool that we Masons use. How simple it is - just a piece of metal with a beating surface at one end and a cutting edge at the other, with a handle for more effective use. Each one of us knows by heart the explanation of its meaning, given him in the 1st Degree: "the common gavel is an instrument used by operative masons to break off...eternal in the heavens." As we listened to those words for the first time, we did not realize how much meaning they held. There are so many delicate touches in Masonry, so many fine arts, that time is needed to see and appreci-

ate them. The three principal officers in the Lodge use it as a symbol of their authority. It is the first tool of the Craftsman, and the last he uses as Master of his Lodge. The Gavel is capable of doing great work, or spoiling good material, it is at once the test and the triumph of a Mason.

Brotherly love

What can we do to help the Masters of our respective Lodges in the Masonic year which has just begun? At least we can go to Lodge and support them and their programs. Our presence will increase, by so much, the influence of Masonry, and it will teach us to be helpers in the encouragement of brotherly love and fellowship. No man knows how far the results of a simple act of going to Lodge may reach. At the end of the day, when the Lodge is closed and the sound of the Gavel is heard no more, the one thing no man will ever regret is that he lived in the fellowship of our Craft and labored in its service.

Leadership Team

I would like, on occasion, to draw to your attention different aspects of our Leadership Team and the various committees which help the Brethren in the Monroe District. Seeing that in October we pause to honor the brave men and women who have served our country in military conflicts over the years, I invited the Chairman of the Veterans Service Committee, R.W. Thomas Paglia, to send me information regarding his responsibilities on this very important aspect of the leadership team.

During the last year, the "Millennium Project" presented to many of our veterans a suitable memento established by Grand Lodge that recognized individual participation in WW II, the Korean conflict, Vietnam, the Gulf War, or military service in general. The primary objective of the Voluntary Services Program is to attend to the welfare and comfort of all veterans, Masons and non-Masons alike. You, too, can help us remember our disabled veterans. If your Lodge participates in a visitation or escort program, you can become one of the volunteers.

Every Brother can also participate by supporting the financial needs of the committee. Indicate on the Brotherhood Fund Contribution envelope that the funds should go to the Veterans Service Committee, if that is where you would like the money to go.

In many past issues of the *Masonic Times*, you have seen examples of the countless hours of volunteer time that Tom and Cora Paglia, and others, have donated to our veterans at the Canandaigua Veterans Hospital. They can always use more help, and this is one way that our Brethren can be visible in the local community.

Official Visit dates

Brothers, a friendly reminder to your Lodges, these are the Official Visits for this month: Clio, October 1st; Webster, October 3rd; Fame, October 8th; Wakan/Hubbard, October 14th and Oatka, October 23rd.

Brotherhood and Patriotism

The Grand Master's Theme for this year is Brotherhood and Patriotism, and I leave you with the following excerpts from a publication called "Good Reading":

"Patriotism is the sum of the three cardinal virtues: faith, hope and charity. Faith in the principals of our government; hope in the future of our country; and charity toward all and malice toward none.

"Patriotism is the emotion that makes a lump rise in the throat when some intrepid spirit strives to achieve something that no human being ever before achieved.

"Patriotism is to be unashamed at the moisture that comes welling up in our tear ducts with the passing of some great and noble soul, who unselfishly devoted his life to the cause of mankind.

"Patriotism is loving one's country, respecting its traditions and honoring its people.

"Patriotism is standing firm and unselfish for the right, for the common good, for the peace and well being of all; sacrificing self, if need be, and unafraid against all opposition."

Be proud of what you have accomplished in the Craft, don't ever forget who you are and what you represent. Thank you for your time. □

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We are off to what seems to be a stellar beginning for the new Masonic year. There was a good turnout for the first School of Ritual at Wakan/Hubbard Lodge on August 29th, with Valley/Simes Lodge exemplifying the Opening, Closing and Balloting. So far they also lead in numbers for the Attendance Banner.

The next School of Ritual will be on September 30th at Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge, 4550 Lake Avenue, at 7:30 p.m. We will be covering Etiquette and Protocol in the Lodge and the floor will be open for any questions you may have. We all need a reminder now and then on how to act in Lodge for the best show of respect for our members and officers and the harmony of the Lodge while at work.

1st Degree

The Grand Lecturer's Convention will be at Fairport/Flower City Lodge, in Fairport, on October 29th at 7:30 p.m. It will be presided over by our Grand Lecturer, Edward G. Gilbert. The work will be the exemplification of the 1st Degree by Wakan/Hubbard Lodge (Beginning to Obligation) and Craftsman/Robertson Lodge (Obligation to end.) The Convention will be preceded by a Steak Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Reservations for dinner can be made by Fairport/Flower City members at their own Lodge. All others can be made by calling me at 865-7416 or e-mail kstambachgl@yahoo.com by October 23rd. Remember that the Howard Potts Award can be won by any Lodge having its top seven elected, appointed and installed officers in attendance. Awards will be presented in Grand Lodge next May.

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Save the Date


The Masonic Interfaith Service and Brunch
November 3, 2002 - Logan's Party House

The Grand Lecturer's Attendance Banner will be awarded to the Lodge with the most members present.

I am pleased that many Masters have expressed their desire to improve the Ritual in their Lodges. This is a good sign for the growth of the Monroe District. There are some exciting events scheduled for this year and we will keep you informed as we learn more.

See you around the District!

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Sec. Leon VanHuben,
(585) 647-1391

Our first meeting this October is on the 8th and is the Official Visit of our DDGM, R. W. John Zabel, and the Grand Sword Bearer, R. W. Derek VanHouten. R. W. Zabel will be delivering the Grand Master's Message, which I'm sure this year will have some very new and exciting news, especially with all the new programs being developed. R. W. John will also have some remarks of his own regarding the happenings being planned for our Monroe District.

The meeting will be preceded by a Harvest Dinner Buffet at 6:30 p.m., featuring fresh ham, vegetable, sauerkraut, potatoes, and bread stuffing. The cost is \$8.00 per person and reservations are required.

Our second meeting, on the 22nd, will be preceded by a Pot Luck Dinner, also at 6:30 p.m. Please bring a dish to pass and your own table service. Don't forget, our ladies are encouraged to join us at our Pot Luck Dinners! Trust me, they won't be bored while we're up in our meeting.

Due to all the activities surrounding the anniversary of the horrific events of 9/11, we did not go out to Oatka Lodge to get the (our) Traveling Gavel. Due to the Grotto's Master Mason Night on September 25th, and the number of our Brothers who attended it, we will make our plans at our October 8th meeting to get the Gavel back, wherever it may be!

Brotherhood Fund

The Brotherhood Fund campaign for this year is off and running.

ning. Lodge Chairman, W. Keith Moore, assures me that he is ready for all your donations. We were one of the highest performing Lodges in the District last year, but we can do better! Please open your hearts and your checkbooks to assist our Brothers who depend on our help.

Condolences

I apologize for inadvertently leaving out the names of two more of our Brothers who were called Home by the Great Architect this past Summer, Melvin Nott and Richard Szonn. Our sincere condolences to their families and friends.


Reminder

The Secretary has asked me to remind those of you who haven't sent in your dues yet to do so. Thanks.

I hope this finds you all healthy and enjoying yourselves. If you know of one of our Brothers who is under the weather, or otherwise needs our help or charity, please make sure you call one of your officers.

Last, but not least, happy birthday to all our Brothers with October birthdays.

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W. Gary R. Sanford
425-4248

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38 Cullens Run, Pittsford, 14534

Thanks to R. W. Robert Sanford for refreshing us on Masonic Etiquette at the September meeting.

W. James Nersinger was presented with his Past Master's Apron and thanked for his leadership last year.

On September 23rd we had a Brother Bring-a-Friend Night with five potential candidates in attendance. Thanks to our Senior Warden, Kerry Ripley, for putting on the program and Robert Sweeney for the dinner.

October activities

At our Lodge meeting in October we will recognize many of our Brothers for their years of service, so please be sure to attend and thank them for their contribution. There will be a dinner at 6:30 p.m. Please make your reservations by calling me at 425-4240.

On Tuesday, October 29th, the Grand Lecturer's Convention

will be held at the Fairport/Flower City Lodge. There will be a Steak Dinner at 6:30 p.m., with the Convention beginning at 7:30 p.m. Please make your reservation for dinner by contacting me.

Table Lodge

Our regular meeting in November will be a Table Lodge. Please come prepared to feast, charge your glass and enjoy the fellowship of our Brothers.

Fairport/Flower City No. 476



2nd & 4th Mon. 7:30 P.M.
Master
W. Kermit B. Moyer
388-9303

Sec. W. George R. Bracht
383-1947
Fairport Temple,
87 South Main St.

Hello

Hi Brothers! It is my hope that this communication finds all of you healthy, happy, and looking forward to a wonderful Fall season.

1st Degree

We will be conferring the 1st Degree for our Fall class on Monday, October 14th. We will open at 7:30 p.m., followed by a short business meeting. At the conclusion of the business meeting we will confer the Degree on our Class. I will be sitting in the East for this Degree and will be putting the Degree Team together. If you have a strong desire to be involved in this Degree, please call or e-mail me. I will be seeking to fill some of the chairs for this Degree. The rehearsal for this Degree will be Sunday, October 6th, at 7:00 p.m. at the Lodge. Please take note of the change from our trestleboard.

Trestleboard changes

At our Officers meeting last month, we needed to make some additional changes to the Trestleboard. Please make note of these for your reference. On October 28th we will be changing the meeting from our Service Awards and Veterans Recognition Program to our Scout Night Program. Our Service Awards and Veterans Recognition Program will be conducted on March 24, 2003.

Grand Lecturer's Convention


As many of you are aware, the Grand Lecturer's Convention will once again be held in Fairport. The date for this event is Tuesday, October 29th, and will be preceded by a Steak Dinner at 6:30 p.m., followed by the meeting. I encourage all officers and Brothers to come out for this very special evening and to show your support to the Craft.

Some final thoughts

After hearing our DDGM, R. W. John Zabel, and Grand Sword Bearer, R. W. Derek VanHouten, speak at our Official Visit in September, I was greatly encouraged knowing that we continue to have outstanding leadership at the State and District levels. Their leadership is vital for our Lodges to continue to maintain what we have and grow for the future. They are only a part of the equation. The other part or parts are the Brothers who make strong contributions to their respective Blue Lodges. Our newly consolidated Lodge is looking for men who are eager to make a contribution. Encourage and talk to people who you think would make outstanding Masons. Share with them the really great things that Masonry does for you and for the community.

If you know of a Brother who has not attended a meeting recently, make a quick phone call and let him know you would like to see him in Lodge. It is really important that we continue to promote ourselves and take pride in our Blue Lodge. I encourage each of you to come to a meeting and meet your new and old Brothers. They would love to see you.

ETOLIAN
Lodge No. 479



2nd & 4th Mondays 7:30 p.m.
Master
James E. Toogood
585-594-2189


Sec. W. Michael Schwartz 352-4018

On September 9th we had a Steak Roast Table Lodge. It was well attended by 28 Brothers. Thanks to Mike Edelman and Ed Zorn for all the preparations. We also had Awards Night and presented Awards to many Brothers.

October events

- Oct. 14th - Masonic Scholarship by R. W. M. Donald Darrohn.
- Oct. 17th - High Twelve Lunch.
- Oct. 24th - 2nd Degree Rehearsal.
- Oct. 29th - Grand Lecturer's Convention, Monroe District at Fairport/Flower City at 7:30 p.m. 1st Degree. All officers should attend.

Wakan/Hubbard
Lodge No. 154
2nd & 4th Mon. 7:30 P.M.



Master,
W. Steve S. Xander
223-7162

Sec. W. Theodore J. Snyder, 467-0165
Asst. W. Donald C. Bell 334-7768
1822 Penfield Rd. 14528

We presented four Brothers with their Service Certificates and Pins. I was honored to present W. Mike Adamus one for 25 years; C. Wilson Grey, 50 years; R. W. Wayne Slack, 55 years; and R. W. Stan Peterson, 60 years. These were for outstanding service to the Lodge and the Craft.

Interfaith Service and Brunch

Angelo DiCataldo, Chairman of the Masonic Service Bureau, has the tickets for the 61st Interfaith Service and Brunch to be held at Logan's Party House, Scottsville Road. This event will be held on November 3rd. The Service starts at 10:00 a.m. and the Brunch at 11:00 a.m. This year's recipient of the Distinguished Community Service Award will be Bonnie Vahey, Executive Director of the local Ronald McDonald House. M. W. Carl J. Fitje, Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York, will be the guest speaker. The donation is \$10.00 per person. Make checks payable to the

Masonic Service Bureau. The deadline is October 23rd.

Grand Lecturer's Convention

Wakan/Hubbard Lodge will be featured in this year's Grand Lecturer's Convention as we will be performing the Work for the evening. This year's Convention will be held on October 29th, Fairport/Flower City Lodge at 7:30 p.m. There will be a dinner preceding the Convention at the same location. Brothers, come out and support our officers. The Grand Lecturer, R. W. Edward Gilbert, is an excellent speaker, who keeps things light and humorous. I guarantee you will come away from the Convention with a deep sense of patriotism and will be glad that you attended. Mark your calendars!

Lodge business

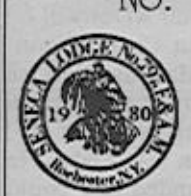
We had a petition read in Lodge at our first meeting, so we should be conferring the first set of Degrees. I hope everyone who is able will attend these important Degree nights. Come and help welcome him as a new Brother into our Lodge.

At our first meeting we discussed the financial position of the Lodge. We will be reviewing all aspects of the financial plan for the Lodge this year. Anyone interested in helping with this project should come to meetings and get involved. We need your input and expertise.

Master's Ball

The Master's Ball will be held on October 18th at the Green Lantern Inn. The Senior Warden, Joe Oelgoetz, is the Chairman for the event. We will be entertained by DJ Max for listening and dancing. Please contact Joe for information and reservations for this year's event.

Seneca Lodge
No. 797



2nd Tues 6:00 P.M.
Master
W. Stuart A. Walthour
(h) 321-1948

Sec. Robert C. Green, Jr., 223-5953
30 Orchard St., Webster 14580

On September 10th we had three candidates who received the 1st Degree, led by the Junior Warden, Robert Kimmel. I thank all the officers for all the time taken by rehearsals in order to do the great job on the Degree.

On September 22nd we had our Annual Tea to honor W. Michael Ferguson, who was Master of Seneca for the last two years. In these two years as Master, Michael led us with interesting programs and oversaw the raising of four men his last year as Master. I will continue raising candidates this year and will participate in the Mason in One Day Program.

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W. James Nersinger receiving his Past Master's Apron from current Master, W. Gary R. Sanford. (Photo courtesy J. Nersinger)

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Seneca Lodge 797

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March 29, 2003

On March 29, 2003, our Grand Master plans a make a Mason in One Day Program. I will support this with my time and effort. Seneca Lodge will help with their time and talents in order to obtain the Grand Master's goal.


October

In October, we will continue with the 2nd Degree. The 3rd Degree will be in November. May I express my thanks to W.. Michael Ferguson and Brother Richard Shellman for their time and talent as Degree Directors.

We will have a social event in October. We will see a play called "Proof." All attendees will enjoy it greatly.

The Brothers who came to our last meeting were treated to a Roast Pork Loin Dinner. If anyone wishes to attend our Lodge meeting, please call ahead if you wish to partake of dinner. The dinners are very good. R..W.. Fred Belluscio can vouch for the great meals at Lodge. The dinner is before the regular meeting. □

**Craftsman/
Robertson
Lodge No. 969**
1st & 3rd Tues., 7:30 P.M.



Master
W.. Duane
Smith
473-6195

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

By W.. Skip Waterstreet

Our opening meeting was well attended and well executed by the new Officers' line. Our schedule, as revised for this year, will continue with a business meeting on October 1st. As many of our Brothers and their wives will be on the Hawaiian Cruise, sponsored by the Masonic Service Bureau, I encourage everyone in town to attend and support W.. Duane Smith on this night. He will be short-handed and could use some extra bodies.

Sickness and distress

It was disturbing to hear W.. Bill Hook had a heart attack on Labor Day. Fortunately it was very mild and they threw him out of the hospital on Thursday for harassing the nurses! We are glad to see and hear you are doing so well, Bill.

It was reported in Lodge that Brother Duane King had been diagnosed with early stages of Parkinson's Disease. We extend good wishes to him and Donna.

Rona Pearce continues to make improvements as she completes her radiation treatments. Her spirits are excellent as she fights to defeat the cancer. Brother Earl is taking good care of her.

Jayne Ogden is looking better every day following her surgery. Another gal in good spirits, she now waits for surgery on her knee. It is great to see her and Brother Bob at our functions.

We lost one of the most active members of our Lodge when W.. Cliff Field was called by the Supreme Architect of the Universe on August 21st. We had the pleasure of his company at our Annual Picnic and he seemed to be in good health and enjoying himself. At a moment's notice, Cliff would step into any Officer's station and do an excellent job on the Ritual. He had been ap-

pointed and had earned the title of Assistant Senior Deacon of our Lodge for his participation throughout the years. He will be missed.

School of Ritual

This issue of the *Masonic Times* should arrive for this last-minute reminder. The School of Ritual is Monday, September 30th, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge.

Grand Lecturer's Convention

Mark October 29th on your calendar. The Grand Lecturer's Convention will be held at Fairport/Flower City Lodge starting at 7:30 p.m. Craftsman Robertson Lodge will put on the second half of the 1st Degree...from obligation to the end of the first section. This is a change from what was previously announced. Dress for the evening is tuxedo or dark suit.

All officers are requested to participate in this presentation. Fill-in candidates would be a welcome addition. If you are willing to assist, please call W.. Duane at 473-6195. He will be able to tell you what part(s) need a speaker. There will be a rehearsal following the Fellowcraft meeting on October 8th.

A second rehearsal will be on October 15th at 7:30 p.m. It is important that we have a full complement of participants to ensure proper floor work.

Official Visit

It is particularly significant for Craftsman Robertson Lodge this year to have the Official Visit of the District Deputy Grand Master, R..W.. John Zabel. His traveling companion is our own R..W.. Derek VanHouten. Please set aside November 5th to hear them present the Grand Master's Message to our Lodge. It would be wonderful to have a large turnout for this special evening. Lodge will open at 7:30 p.m.

Dues are still due!

Several Brothers have caught up with their dues obligations under some gentle prodding from W.. Volney Frankel. This is the last mention prior to our mailing for the 2003 dues next month. Brothers, if at any time you experience extenuating circumstances, please contact our Secretary, W.. Tom Kendig. The past year has been volatile in many ways, and some of you may have had setbacks. We try to help those in need of our aid and sympathy, but we have to know the situation, so please keep us informed.

Birthday greetings

Our members celebrating with cake and ice cream this month include: Phillip Cissell, Gabriel Milonni, Richard Smith, Charles Rupert, Kevin Hook, Edward King, Victor Anderson, Raymond Ross, Conrad May, and Joseph Roe. Happy birthday to one and all. □

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By Sean Noonan, Secretary

Greetings, Brothers and friends. The September *Masonic Times* announced that Bonnie Vahey, Executive Director of the Ronald McDonald House, has been chosen as the recipient of the 2002 Distinguished Community Service Award to be presented at the Interfaith Service and Brunch at Logan's, November 3rd. Please read other important details in that article. See W.. Gordie Smith for tickets. I know many of our Brothers have met Bonnie during tours of the Home. The spaghetti benders have prepared dinner for Home occupants several times during past years and met other wonderful staff members as well. Let's all support this great event.

Official Visit

The Official Visit of R..W.. John Zabel, DDGM, and Derek VanHouten, GSB, will be Tuesday, October 1st at 7:30 p.m. The books and records for Clio Lodge will be reviewed for completeness and the Grand Master's Message delivered. Programs under the leadership of the Staff Officer will be presented, also.

Brothers, we need help. The Child ID Program will again be presented at the Hilton Apple Fest on Saturday and Sunday, October 5th and 6th. Last year's program was a huge success, but additional help was needed. Please call W.. Gordie at 392-9261 to sign up.

October 17th

Congratulations to W.. Stu Brickman, who has been nominated by the Brothers of Clio Lodge to receive the Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Award. W.. Stu has served several terms as Trustee and, with his wife, Carol, can be found working at just about every Lodge function. The Award Presentation will be Thursday, October 17th, at 7:30 p.m., Cathedral Hall, 4th floor, Downtown Temple. The guest speaker will be M..W.. Carl J. Fitje, Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York. Friends and family are invited.

October birthdays

Best wishes to Brothers Charlie Tucker, Harry Hopkins, Gus Neidrich, Steve Smally and Scott Blystone.

Other important October dates are: Spaghetti Dinners, October 9th and 23rd; Masters and Wardens at Northfield Lodge on the 12th; and the Grand Lecturer's Convention at Fairport/Flower City on the 29th.

Profiles of Clio members

W.. Leland Hendershot was raised in Clio Lodge in 1955. He was greatly influenced by his father, the late Brother Edward Hendershot, a long time member of Clio Lodge. Brother Lee is a retiree of Eastman Kodak, where he worked as an engineer. After serving as Master, he filled various chairs when need arose, as well as numerous terms as Trustee. Always present at Lodge functions, Brother Lee has been an important part of Clio Lodge's success. Recently Brother Lee

has been in poor health and visits Park Ridge Hospital twice weekly for treatments. Brother Lee said the most rewarding aspect of his Masonic service has been his Lodge Brothers' friendship, especially the spaghetti benders, whom he misses greatly.

He would love to hear from his Brothers. Please call him at 392-4732.

In closing, let me remind the Line Officers that W.. Gordie is planning a full schedule of Degrees, whether or not we have candidates. Now would be the time to bone up on our Ritual. □

**Charlotte/Corinthian
Lodge No. 1088**
1st & 3rd Tues.
7:30 P.M.



Master
W.. Clifford A.
Short
225-0646

C. William Flemming, Secretary
723-0083
4550 Lake Ave. Rocheste 14812

By the time this article is written, we hope to have at least two petitions in hand for our Fall class. My thanks to everyone who participated in making the Bring-a-Friend Night a success.

We have it!

The Traveling Gavel now resides at Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge. A group of seven Brothers visited Oatka Lodge on September 11th. A prayer was offered to commemorate those lost in the New York City attack. I thank W.. Rich Fimbel and the Oatka Brothers for the hospitality shown to us that evening.

As part of my own trestleboard for the upcoming year, I plan to visit as many Lodges in our District as possible. The dates and locations of the visits were mailed out with the programs in June. I invite any Brother who would like to join me to do so. We meet at Charlotte/Corinthian and go from there. Getting the Traveling Gavel at this month's visitation was just an added bonus.

School of Ritual

If you get this edition by the end of the month, please try to make arrangements to attend the School of Ritual on September 30th. It will be held at our own Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge. The time will be 7:30 p.m. We are presently in second place in the drive to win the Attendance Banner for this year. We need as many Brothers to attend as possible, as there are a few Lodges trying to make a bid to take it away from us.

October events

Our October Brothers Visitation Night is scheduled for Tuesday, October 8th. This month we will be visiting Valley/Simes Lodge. They meet at the Downtown Temple. We don't know how much longer we will be able to attend a Lodge at the Downtown Temple, so I would encourage each Brother to take advantage of this opportunity. I'm sure we will be welcomed warmly by W.. Mike McBride and the Brothers of Valley/Simes.

The Youth Night, planned for October 1st, has been delayed until the Spring session. We need some time to get some Lodge business accomplished, and this will be the night that will happen.

Brother Mike Hueston is busy preparing for our Lodge of Remembrance on October 15th. We will start the evening off with a Roast Breast of Chicken Dinner, followed by the Ceremony of

Remembrance in the Lodge room. Take note: Lodge will open at 6:00 p.m. and close at 6:10 p.m. There will be no business conducted this evening. Brothers can make dinner reservations by contacting the Junior Warden, Keith Freeman, at 544-1149. Reservations must be in by October 11th, and the cost of the dinner is \$7.50. Hildy and Joy will be preparing this dinner for us.


November

November 5th is the meeting we will be discussing next year's proposed budget. The Officers and Trustees will be meeting sometime in the middle of October to hammer out the plans for next year. If you are interested in learning how our budget is prepared, or would like some input to this effort, please contact me at your convenience.

Brother Keith Freeman, Junior Warden, will be looking for volunteers to help with the 1st Degree scheduled for November 19th. If you are interested in taking part in the Degree, or interested in learning a part, please get in touch with Keith.

That's all the news for now. I will see you in Lodge. □

**Churchville
Lodge No. 667**
2nd & 4th
Wed. 7:30 p.m.



Master
W.. Franklin
D. Higgins
544-1952
Secretary
W.. George
R. Burke
293-1629


www.geocities.com/churchvillelodge667
20 S. Main St. Churchville 14428

My first meeting as the Master of Churchville Lodge No. 667 was held on September 11th. Some of the guests were: R..W.. John E. Zabel, District Deputy Grand Master of the Monroe District; R..W.. Derek VanHouten, Grand Sword Bearer; R..W.. Richard Snyder, Grand Lodge Representative of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil, near the Grand Lodge of New York; and R..W.. R. Keith Stambach, Grand Representative of Brasilia, Brazil, near the Grand Lodge of New York and Assistant Grand Lecturer.

The meeting accomplished its goal, but would have been more successful if more Brethren from Churchville Lodge attended.

It is my hope that future meetings will have more participation from the Brethren of Churchville Lodge. Being a Mason by name only is not being a Mason. Churchville Lodge wants, and needs, your fellowship and attendance. So, Brothers, search your heart, where you were first made a Mason, and do the right thing. □

NORTHFIELD
Lodge No. 426
Instituted March 1857
1st & 3rd Thurs., 7:30 P.M.



Master
W.. Dean L.
Smith
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chef@rochester.rr.com

R..W.. William D. Spillane
Secretary 334-6596
17 Church St., Pittsford 14534

First of all, I thank the Brothers from Northfield and other Lodges who participated in Saint John's Sunday, June 23rd, at the United Church of Pittsford. A special thanks goes to V..W.. Daniel Walker for sharing with the congregation an overview of Masonry.

The tree and the shadow

Abraham Lincoln said, "character is like a tree, and reputation is like its shadow." The shadow is what we think of the tree, but the tree is the real thing. We each represent that symbolic tree in this vast world around us. We also observe that trees have different heights, which demonstrates each person's level of character. While our individual traits give us a measurement of our character, we realize that further growth is obtained only through great effort on our part.

For our symbolic tree to grow, we must continue to feed it on a daily basis. What else would we need to assure continued growth in our character? Certainly ethical behavior is something we would need because it identifies certain behavioral patterns that we respect. For example, how we treat others and how we in return wish to be treated. With ethical behavior in decline and crime and drugs a major problem in the country today, we find that some colleges are offering courses in ethics as part of their college curriculum.

We should also consider our sense of responsibility. Our Creator didn't put us here just to be happy. We are here to be useful to those about us. The happiness follows once we have assumed our obligation to our fellow man. Each of us can recall those obligations we accepted as we began our Masonic journey. As you know, they are never ending.

This three pronged approach (the growth in our value of character, the influence of our ethics and our dedication to our obligations), will help us in answering that question: how long will my shadow be?

Help needed

The Disabled American Veterans need drivers for their Out-patient Clinic on Westfall Road. Please help - call the Veterans Medical Facility at 241-2028.

From the West

Our Senior Warden, Brother Pedro Ugalde, will preside over the 1st Degree on October 17th. This will also be preceded by a dinner. Please contact Brother Glenn for your reservations.

We are in the early stages of developing the Child ID Program with the churches of Pittsford. We need working personnel trained in video photography.

As many know, the DeMolay boys performed the Flower Talk for us, which was a very moving tribute to the special women in our lives, our mothers. The Pot Luck Dinner was just great and our Junior Warden is to be commended for a great job, along with the Stewards, Brothers Schaefer and Zona. Thanks for a fine job.

From the South

Our Junior Warden, Brother Glenn Hedges, wants the Brethren to know that the 2nd Degree will be conferred on our candidates on November 21st. Dinner will precede the 2nd Degree, so please join us for good food, good friendship and great conversation. Please contact Brother Glenn for reservations at 586-0238. Interfaith Service and Brunch

The Interfaith Service and Brunch is on November 3rd at Logan's Party House. It is a very important event on the Masonic calendar. Please see the Secretary or me for tickets.

In remembrance

Brother Lester Kuech was a faithful and dedicated Mason for over 50 years and a member of

Northfield Lodge No. 426. Brother Kuech was born January 1, 1926; initiated on April 28, 1952, passed on May 26, 1952 and raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on June 23, 1952 in Rochester Lodge No. 660. He was called by the Great Architect of the Universe on July 30, 2002. May the blessing of God be with his family and may he rest in Peace. □

WEBSTER
Lodge No. 538

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

Master
W. Brad Lewis
265-2914

Sec. W. Peter Bowers
265-2526

30 Orchard St. Webster, 14580

Greetings, Brethren. By now, the leaves should be starting to turn beautiful Autumn colors and the Masonic year is in full swing. Successful programs

I want to thank everyone who participated in our Child ID program at the Webster Fireman's Field Day. It was a great success and we produced 120 videos, just a few off the record. A special thanks also to John Dyer and Andy Alvarez for scrambling to make the event happen. Let's try to get some more programs of this type at Webster Lodge.

Junior Deacon Mark Brooks gave a short talk on Masonry at our September 19th meeting.

Upcoming events

October 3rd will be the Official Visit from our District Deputy Grand Master, R. W. John Zabel. There will be a dinner at 6:30 p.m., 872-1353, so get your reservations to Bernie Russell. The attire for the evening will be formal.

October 4th will be our first spaghetti dinner of the year. If you can't come out to help, at least consider bringing your family to eat. It's always real good.

October 17th will be the Scottish Rite Blue Lodge Awards ceremony downtown at 7:30 p.m. Let's give this event the loud enthusiastic support that has become our tradition.

Trustee issues

On Saturday, October 5th, the Trustees will be hosting a painting party at the Lodge. The building really needs a coat of paint and it should be fun. Let's get a big turnout for this much needed project. Seneca Lodge members and Webster Chapter OES members are also invited. Let Mark Fenton know if you can come.

Also, Brothers, at present we have only two Trustees. This is not enough as there is a great deal to do and their work is vital to the Lodge. If someone is willing to serve in this capacity, please contact me ASAP.

Committee formation

At this time, I am forming several committees to help address various needs around our Lodge. These committees will be: Exterior and Grounds; Building Interior; Community Service; Fundraising; and Candidate Interviewing. This is a great way to get all members involved in our Lodge. If you can't be an Officer, or are a Past Master, please participate in one of these committees and help improve our Lodge. □

ERAC
Lodge No. 183

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

Master
W. Josue C. Bogmis II
423-1965

Secretary
W. David M. Zegas
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www.erac.org

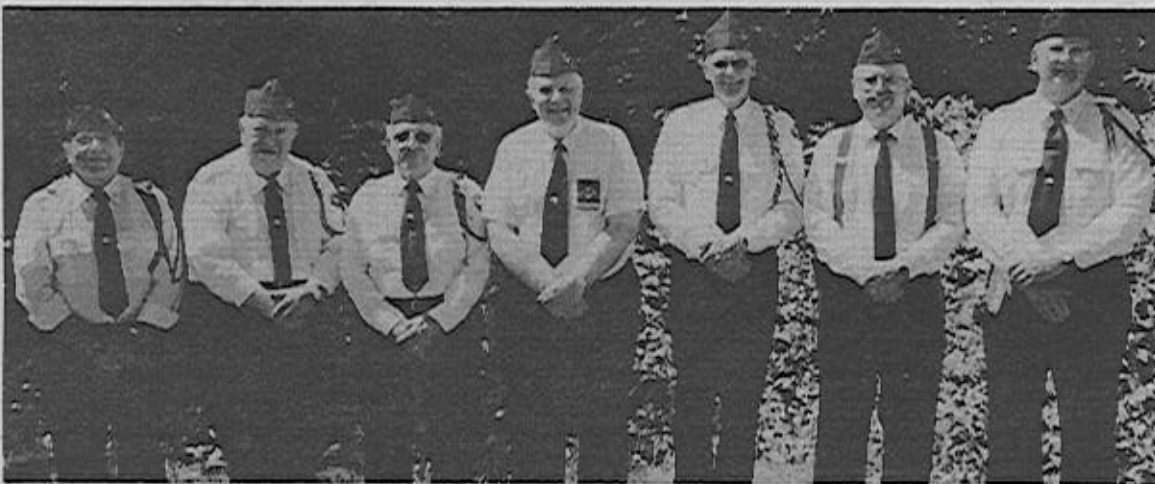
162 West Commercial St., East Rochester

Awards night

Our first meeting of the year, the ERAC Awards Night, which has become a tradition in our Lodge, was a great success. We have presented eleven awards out of fifty-nine. The attendance was



Ken Hutchinson receiving his Grand Lodge Service Certificate and Pin from Master, W. Brad Lewis, while Alfred Pulcino III, Monarch of Lalla Rookh Grotto, looks on. (Photos courtesy Ken Hutchinson)



Webster Lodge members participated in the James A. Hard Headstone Rededication. All are members of the James A. Hard/Wayne Charter Post No. 12, MWV. Emil Schirano-Comm., Ken Hutchinson, Luigi Campaniello, Frederic Cornell, Vance Collom Jr.-Adj., Greg Brown and Dennis Gellasch.

surprisingly good and the fellowship was excellent. We thank Brother George Nasra and his Stewards for the good food and refreshments.

Let us lead others

"Let us lead others" is our motto this year. Our yearly activities are lined up and you are all in possession of our Trestleboard. There are many programs and projects in which you can show your leadership according to the length of your cabletow. Remember that everyone can be a leader in his own way.

Check out the Lodge message board and see what you can do for our organization:

- Bring one candidate to the Lodge this year;
 - Give a Brother a ride to the Lodge meeting;
 - Visit that Brother who needs companionship;
 - Participate in fundraising.
- We will have at least two of them this year.

Let us get together to support our Master, our Brothers and our Lodge.

Looking ahead

Our Brother Bring-a-Friend Night is October 10th. Our goal is to raise at least 10 Brothers this year. We all have friends and family; please bring someone. Those living out of town can send us the name of that good man and we will reach him for you. Don't forget to request a petition but also allow our secretary to send your candidate an official invitation.

The Interfaith Service and Brunch is November 3rd at Logan's Party House at 10:00 a.m. This year's recipient of the Distinguished Community Service Award will be Bonnie Vahey, the Executive Director of the Ronald McDonald House, a person well known by our ERAC Brothers. It will be a special event for us at ERAC, giving the fact that we have been one of the leading Lodges in raising funds and in volunteering for the Ronald McDonald House. The Grand Master of Masons in the State in New York, M. W. Carl J. Fitje, is the key speaker for this event. It's open to all; contact the Master for tickets, which are \$10 per person. □

Valley/Simes
Lodge No. 109

2nd Tues. 7:30 P.M.

Master
W. Michael C. McBride, Sr.
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michael_mcbride@nexpress.com

Sec. W. Edward J. Schmitt
244-8458

875 Main Street E., Rochester, 14805

Great to be back, isn't it? Having a lot to do, sure does make the time fly. Happy birthday to all celebrating in October. Many thanks

to everyone involved in our School of Ritual and our Official Visit. Both went well.

Sickness and distress

Glenn Stahl hobbled in to our Official Visit and showed us that he has his appetite back. It's great to see that he is recovering and it was great to see him there. Carl Pigage fell on September 8th, suffered a concussion and bruises around the cheekbone. Cards and calls would be welcome (425-2292). Raul Fernandez is back to work after recovering from surgery to remove a pancreatic tumor. Elmer Wight has been admitted to St. John's Home. Mrs. Redfern is in the Episcopal Church Home, (99 years old) and would welcome visitors at any time. Our thoughts are with them.

I just received this news and, sadly, I announce that Brother Gary Caswell's daughter, Tina Louise Genung, died in a car accident on July 31st. Tina was 31 years old, married, and mother of a daughter. Memorial contributions may be sent to the Arthritis Foundation, 3300 Monroe Avenue, Rochester, NY 14618. Cards may be sent to Gary and Marcia Caswell at 172 Norwich Drive, Rochester, NY 14624-1206. Our thoughts and prayers are with them.

Please keep me updated on health and distress issues as well as other news or just to say hello.

Upcoming events

September 30th is the School of Ritual at Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge at 7:30 p.m. We are ahead in points for the Banner. I would like to keep the lead, please help.

October 1st - Officers meeting at Country Village.

October 8th - Lodge meeting with a DeMolay Presentation. This includes a dinner. Please join us and show your support for the DeMolay members.

October 12 - Masters and Wardens Association meeting at Northfield Lodge.

October 15th - Fellowcraft meeting. Call Herb Spencer at 334-7493 to volunteer with a program.

October 17th - Symbolic Lodge Awards Night, sponsored by the Scottish Rite, in Cathedral Hall. Join me in this celebration as our candidate is presented this Award by M. W. Carl J. Fitje.

October 19th - Special event - A Native American Masonic Heritage Celebration. There will be a lunch for Valley/Simes and Craftsman Robertson Lodge members only, at 12 noon. The Program is open to all at 1:00 p.m. at the Downtown Masonic Temple, 3rd floor Lodge room.

October 22nd - a joint Lodge Brother Bring-a-Friend Program. Please supply us with names of potential candidates as soon as possible. There will be a dinner, with ladies and friends invited. Potential candidates and their ladies will be our guests. Call for reservations.

October 29th - Grand Lecturer's Convention at Fairport/Flower City Lodge. All officers and sideliners are needed. The top seven officers are required for the Potts Award.

I hope to see all of the regulars at each of these events, along with some new faces. Invite your family and friends to the social functions and remember widows and their escorts will be our guests. For more information or reservations, contact the Secretary, me, Dick Giedd (Molly) at 621-3045, Herb Spencer at 334-7493, Joe Gingold at 637-6008, Dave Mura (Pat) at 637-8695 or Mat Gingold (Norma) at 266-6384. □

Monroe District Masters & Wardens Assoc.



President
W.: Michael McBride
663-4636
Secretary
Raymond G. Glegg
223-3433

Hello again. How time is flying now that we're back from Summer vacation! Thanks to Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge for the hospitality at our last meeting. I will find my gavel for the next meeting. As you can see from below, we shared a lot of information and discussed many items.

To all Masters of Lodges

Immediately following our next meeting, (listed below) we will start planning for our trip to Grand Lodge in 2003. Cliff Short and Gary Sanford will be presenting a couple of scenarios, and will be asking for input from all of us. We would like to travel as a "unified body," so please make every effort to be there.

Ronald McDonald House

I will continue to put this request for help for the Have-a-Heart Campaign in my article. *We need your help!* Time slots need to be filled for Saturday, February 1st at 12 noon to 9:00 p.m., daily, through Friday, February 14th at 6:00 p.m. Telephone Dean Smith (JoAnn) at 586-9298 for Eastview Mall; Karl-Heinz Reich (Trudy) at 426-6836 for The Mall at Greece Ridge Center; or myself (Jean) at 663-4636 for Marketplace Mall. We can also use Concordant Bodies as well as youth groups and non-Masons. Please help!

Dean Smith will get us a couple of different choices for our Annual Dinner in March. Annual dues notices have been sent out to all Lodges.

John Dyer asked for more input from individual Lodges, to add to the Monroe District website. Please call (733-1743) or e-mail (johndyer@kodak.com) information to him.

Bob Hill has set up a Native American Masonic celebration, to be sponsored by Valley/Simes Lodge, on Saturday, October 19th at 1:00 p.m., 3rd floor of the Downtown Masonic Temple. The program will include historical information about Native Americans in Masonry, the adoption of the Past Grand Master, Carl Smith, into the Iroquois Tribe, as well as ceremonial dancing.

Bob Hill is also setting up a short presentation from the Admissions Council of the Masonic Home in Utica. More information will follow.

Interfaith Service and Brunch

The 61st Interfaith Service and Brunch is November 3rd. The 2002 Distinguished Community Service recipient is Bonnie Vahy, Executive Director of the Ronald McDonald House. Many of us have already met her through our annual Have-a-Heart Campaign. Please let her know we care, by your attendance.

Plans

R.:W.: John Zabel talked about the Beacon Project. All the Lodges are asked to contribute. He also talked about the Grand Master's Class on March 29, 2003, and more information will follow, as the planning progresses. A District-wide Brother Bring-a-Friend Program is being planned.

Upcoming events

The next two Masters and Wardens Association meetings are: Northfield Lodge, October 12th at 9:00 a.m.; and, Craftsman Robertson Lodge, November 11th at 9:00 a.m.

The upcoming School of Ritual is at Charlotte/Corinthian, September 30th at 7:30 p.m. and will be on Lodge Protocol. Fairport/Flower City Lodge will host the Grand Lecturer's Convention on October 29th at 6:30 p.m. The evening's activities include a steak dinner and a demonstration of the 1st Degree. Call for reservations. Try to earn the Potts Award (seven top officers in attendance).

I hope to see our meetings filled with all current Masters, Senior and Junior Wardens, and Senior Deacons, as well as members of the District Leadership Team and anyone else interested.

Membership

R.:W.: Joseph Privitera
Monroe District

Communication not a one way street

I often hear from Brothers that they don't know what is going on in their Lodges. It is the responsibility of the Master of a Lodge to communicate to all the members of his Lodge, not just the Brothers who regularly come to meetings. However, it is our responsibility as members of a Lodge to communicate, in a constructive manner, with the Master of our Lodge.

The Master of a Lodge has numerous ways to communicate to his members. The primary avenue of communication is this publication which you are presently reading, the *Masonic Times*. If he cannot write an article, then he should enlist someone to do it, such as the Senior Warden or the Secretary. Many Brothers go immediately to their Lodge article when the *Masonic Times* is received. Can you imagine the thoughts that go through a Brother's mind when there is no article for his Lodge, especially if he lives in another area such as Florida? After several occurrences of missing articles, he tends to think of dropping out. After all, it is part of his Lodge dues that pay for this publication.

The Lodge logo contains the names of the Master and Secretary, their phone numbers, and sometimes, their e-mail addresses. It may contain the Lodge address. It is up to us, as members of a Lodge, to communicate with the Master or Secretary of our Lodge. We can express our thoughts on what activities we would like to see and what is going on in our lives.

There are other ways a Master can communicate with the Brothers of his Lodge. Lodge trestleboards can be mailed, flyers with details of a Lodge activity can be sent, setting up a calling committee to call Brothers who cannot regularly attend meetings and e-mails can be sent to those Brothers who have that option.

One of the best ways to maintain our membership is not only keeping the Brothers informed, but also keeping our Lodge leadership informed.

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District Deputy Grand Master Wayne District



R.:W.:
Francis E.
Powley, Jr.
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Wayne District News

We are off and running in Wayne District! R.:W.: William Youngman, Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Oregon, R.:W.: James Frind, Grand Steward, and I, all thoroughly enjoyed our Apron Presentations on September 12th. It was a pleasure to have R.:W.: Edward R. Trosin, Deputy Grand Master, as our keynote speaker and members of the Grand Line in attendance.

I was extremely pleased by the turnout from the Niagara/Oreans District and Yates Lodge No. 675, where I became a Mason in 1976. Support from family, friends, and the Wayne District, made it a night we will all fondly remember. Special thanks to R.:W.: William Jones and R.:W.: Edward Marriott for all their hard work to make this night such a pleasure and memorable occasion.

Official Visits

Official Visits begin October 16th at Drumlin Square Lodge No. 1180. This should be a treat for either R.:W.: Jones or myself. Nothing like examining the books of the immediate past DDGM first time out! The following week, October 23rd, we will visit Wayne Lodge No. 416. The first Visits in November are to Pultneyville No. 159 on the 4th, Rose No. 590 on the 6th, and Marion Lodge No. 926 on the 12th.

Grand Lecturer's Convention

On Wednesday, October 30th, we will have R.:W.: Edward G. Gilbert conducting our annual Grand Lecturer's Convention. We have changed the place to Humanity Lodge this year to see how floor work can be done in a smaller Lodge room. The afternoon session will begin at 4:00 p.m. A free dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. for all Masons in attendance. The evening session will begin at 7:30 p.m. and will concentrate on the first section of the Fellowcraft Degree.

Those Lodges that have all seven officers from Master to Junior Master of Ceremony present will receive the Howard Potts Award at Grand Lodge next May. Masters, call your officers to remind them!

Pantry restocking

Among the letters I have received recently, I want to point out that the Ronald McDonald House in Rochester has issued a request to be remembered as Lodges re-open. Their cupboards and pantry need restocking. Most anything that you buy for your own household is used at the Ronald McDonald House. You may call the House at 585-442-5437 for more information. Dinners can also be scheduled by calling the same number. Their e-mail addresses are:

www.RonaldsHouse.com and Sharon@RonaldsHouse.com. Sharon Levine is the Coordinator of Volunteers for setting up a dinner for the families at the House.

Masonic Education

R.:W.: Frind is working with the Staff Officers of the neigh-

boring District to plan their year's Road to the East Course. Stay tuned for the dates. At the last training session at Camp Turk in August, we had the opportunity to take a portion of the new Masonic Development Course. I can tell you that it was both interesting and challenging to new and experienced Masons. It provoked a lot of discussion at different levels and interests in our group. We were told that it will be rolled out in December.

Among the questions the Grand Master answered at Camp Turk about the Grand Master's Class on March 29, 2003, was how will we test the proficiency of these new members. The Grand Master said that will be up to each Lodge to determine as it is now. He reminded us that 87% of the new Masons are from family and friends; he doesn't expect this to change.

Local Lodges will have to investigate and ballot on these petitions for membership as usual. He indicated at this time, this will be a one time event in our Grand Lodge. He hopes that this one day class will provide an opportunity to those men who say lack of time or 3 months is too long to wait to join the Fraternity. We have a duty to follow the wishes of our Grand Master.

In Wayne District, we are trying several ways to reach our members. In addition to articles in the *Masonic Times*, we are sending a monthly newsletter to the Masters and Lodge Secretaries. Hopefully, they will highlight the letter to the members present each month. In addition, R.:W.: Cyril White is helping us to maintain our District website. The e-mail address will be published once the website is updated. The Masters of the Lodges are also meeting as a group every other month to improve inter-Lodge communications. Some would like to use the Masters and Wardens dinners/meetings for officers to meet their counterparts in other Lodges.

Another tool to improve communications within a Lodge room is to try "Around the Lodge." Each member is given 30 seconds to say whatever they would like to say in Lodge. Often this is about an anniversary, a new baby in the family, a trip to visit someone special, or to comment on a concern about an absent member, the building, or pitch a new idea out for discussion during refreshments. I have found it a great tool to get the "quiet Brother" involved and let you know what is on his mind. Try it, I think you will like it!

**Drumlin Square
Lodge No. 1180**

1st & 3rd Wed.

Master
R.:W.:
Edward C.
Looneville
315-986-1499

Secretary
R.:W.: William C. Jones
315-986-9150

Palmyra Masonic Hall
161 E. Main St., Palmyra

The first communication on October 2nd will be one of sharing and caring. The Lodge will make 3 substantial contributions to various community projects in the Village of Walworth. These contributions are the result of the sale of the Walworth Masonic Hall, which took place with the closing on August 15, 2002. The sale of the Macedon Masonic Hall is pending and an expected closing is in the near future.

Most of the Masonic paraphernalia offered has been picked up, but we do have an Altar, candlesticks, and a set of Officer's staves, available for any Lodge that may want to upgrade its furniture. In the future there will be some small items that may be of interest to some Lodges.

The downstairs of the building has been completely cleaned and looks outstanding. Thanks go to our Master, R.:W.: Edward C. Looneville, and his wife, Gerry, who have spent many hours making our new home a showcase of which you can be proud. You will have an opportunity to come and have some input as to the renovations which are planned in the near future. The men's room is to be remodeled, and there are plans to replace the carpet in the hallway. The furniture in the Lodge is being re-upholstered.

Our second communication on October 16th, will be the Official Visit of the DDGM, R.:W.: F. Edward (Ted) Powley, R.:W.: James W. Frind, Grand Steward and the team of District Officers. There will be a dinner preceding at 6:30 p.m. This is your opportunity to attend and learn of the new programs coming from Grand Lodge and our Grand Master, M.:W.: Carl J. Fitje.

It is an occasion to learn of the Grand Master's One Day Class to take place on March 29th at several locations in the State. It is his hope to make 5,000 new Masons on this day. It is for us to get behind this effort and give him the support to accomplish this endeavor.

October 30th will be the Grand Lecturer's Convention at Humanity Lodge in Lyons, under the direction of R.:W.: Edward G. Gilbert, Grand Lecturer, assisted by R.:W.: R. Stuart Smith, Jr., AGL. The afternoon session will begin at 4:00 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m., and the evening session will start promptly at 7:30 p.m., and will exemplify the First Section of the 2nd Degree. The dinner is free to all Masons within the District and is paid for by the District per capita tax, paid by the Lodge. This Lodge could qualify for the Howard Potts Award by having all the officers from Master through Junior Master of Ceremony attend. This will take the place of the Masters and Wardens Association meeting.

District Deputy Grand Master

Genesee/Wyoming



R.:W.:
Robert W.
Strang, Jr.
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Visitations

Official Visits have started and due to unforeseen circumstances, two have been changed. Oakland Lodge has been changed from October 1st to October 15th and Arcade Lodge has been moved to later in the year, date to be set.

Thanks

To the many people who worked on, planned, attended and/or participated in the presentation of my Purple Apron for District Deputy, the gratitude felt is much beyond description. One night cannot be described in a thousand words. Many people came great distances and I was extremely pleased and quite overwhelmed with the response.

Future dates

October 16th will be the Grand Lecturer's Convention at Hesperus Lodge. Make every effort to attend. Attendance by the top seven Officers at the Grand Lecturer's Convention also means the Howard Potts Award. What a thrill for the Master to receive this recognition at Grand Lodge in May of 2003.

On November 9th the Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Ed Trosin, will be visiting Area 16 (which includes Genesee/Wyoming and Niagara and Orleans) for just plain talk. Masters and Wardens should set aside this date to attend this meeting; a location of equal distance to both Districts is being determined. At this meeting there are supposed to be representatives of the Grand Lodge Committee on Lodges and Buildings. Come, bring questions, and receive information on long range planning. This session is to enable the next Grand Master to make his long range plans for Masonry and for our District.

Communication

Brothers, the District has many and varied challenges to overcome and without attention to them, they become bigger hurdles. Let's keep a good open dialogue between our Lodges and our individual Brothers. R. W. Robert Dagen has set up an Internet communication base for the transfer of information. Please give him all the input as early as possible to allow the information concerning special events throughout the District to be attended by everyone. Support R. W. Dagen and all the Lodges in the District with a positive information exchange.

Recognition

The Genesee/Wyoming District Directories are now complete and are being distributed through the District. It should be noted that countless hours of organization and compilation were necessary to produce this book by R. W. Dennis Turton, Sr., and his staff. How many staff members is that, Dennis? Highest accolades to you.

Please be aware any mistakes in this booklet are primarily due to the information being received incorrectly from the Lodges and those submitting the data, not those compiling it. Again kudos to R. W. Dennis for his efforts and to R. W. Ken Kohlhaugen for proofreading same. □

**Grand Sword Bearer
Genesee/Wyoming**



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One of the main duties of the Staff Officer is to promote Masonic Education throughout his District. If one were to pose the question: "what is Masonic Education?", there would undoubtedly be a myriad of responses. Likewise, if the question were posed: "How is Masonic Education imparted?", there would, again, be many different answers depending upon who was queried, and the context in which the question was interpreted. A plethora of opportunities exists for both candidates and Master Masons to obtain Masonic Education, through consulting pam-

phlets and publications, reading the "24 Inch Gauge," indeed, even by astute observation in the Lodge room, one can come away with increased knowledge.

However, in the Craft, we are fortunate, in that we also have many structured programs designed to assist in providing a wide range of Masonic Education. It is to these programs that I would like to devote the majority of this month's column. In so doing, I cannot stress strongly enough what wonderful opportunities we have to increase our knowledge and how much I encourage each of you to take advantage of said opportunities to become better informed, and thereby, more proficient in performing the duties of your office.

Why do we have Masonic Education? Basically, in addition to the aforementioned, to ensure that each candidate and Brother receive proper instruction in the basic ideas and concepts necessary to derive maximum benefit from his membership in this stellar Fraternity.

Upon whom does the onus of providing education to the candidate and newly raised Brother rest? Initially, this is the responsibility of his Lodge. During the process of his initiation, and upon becoming a Master Mason, the Lodge is the entity whose primary focus should be to provide instruction in signs, passwords, and basic information designed to familiarize the new Brother with the rudiments into which subsequent, more involved knowledge may be ameliorated. This is where education of a more structured nature reaches its ultimate potential, in assisting the Lodges in furthering the education process which they initiated.

Within the Genesee/Wyoming District we have a relatively new program which is currently in its first year:

The Genesee/Wyoming District School of Instruction for Master Masons

The Genesee/Wyoming District Masonic School of Instruction of Master Masons meets approximately every other month throughout the Masonic year. The purpose of the School of Instruction is to facilitate among the Brethren of the District, a clear understanding of the ceremony of conferring Degrees, and to provide Lodge officers with the knowledge and understanding to enable them to perform their work according to the Standard Work and Lectures. In addition, it is an opportunity to answer questions regarding the Work. Unless otherwise stated, all Master Masons, and only Master Masons, are free to attend any session. Officers of the Genesee/Wyoming District who have been duly elected, appointed, and installed, are highly encouraged to avail themselves of the information available at these sessions. A comprehensive listing of the remaining Schools of Instruction include:

November 20th - Olive Branch Lodge, LeRoy, Investigating (interviewing) Committee and Protocol.

March 17, 2003 - West Star Lodge, Varysburg, Concordant Bodies.

May 1, 2003 - Constellation Lodge, Perry, Installation of Officers, Public and Tiled.

September 24, 2003 - Triluminar Lodge, Pike, Masonic Etiquette.

November 24, 2003 - Mt. Vernon Lodge, Java Village, Grand Lodge of New York.

Grand Lecturer's Convention

The Grand Lecturer's Convention offers an excellent opportunity for the Officers and Brethren of the Genesee/Wyoming District to exemplify and learn portions of their Standard Work under the direction and tutelage of the Grand Lecturer. All Master Masons are invited to attend, and Lodge Officers are particularly encouraged to do so. Any Lodge with its top seven Officers (Master, Senior and Junior Wardens; Senior and Junior Deacons, and Senior and Junior Masters of Ceremony) in attendance is thereby qualified to receive the Howard Potts Award, which is presented by the Grand Master to the Master (or his representative) during the Grand Lodge Communication in May.

Lodge System of Masonic Education (LSOME)

Although the Genesee/Wyoming District does not presently have a program such as this, the Monroe District has been conducting one for some time. I would like very much to have this program developed in the District over the next Masonic year. This program was derived from the fact that each Lodge is responsible for the Masonic Education of its candidates, and involves only a single instructional booklet, a four part videotape, and a committee, usually comprised of four members. The purpose of the LSOME Program is to ensure that each candidate is well versed through proper instruction, in all basics necessary of which each new Mason must be cognizant.

The way in which this is achieved is through a committee appointed by the Master. This committee works as a team, meeting with the candidate prior to his taking the 1st Degree, and then soon after the completion of each Degree, comprising a total of four meetings. During each of the ensuing meetings with the candidate, the members of the appointed committee present four ten minute topics.

The topics covered at each meeting will vary by Lodge and committee, but to derive maximum benefit for the candidate, it would be advantageous to have topics presented in sequential order. For example, the first meeting might encompass a short history of Freemasonry, qualifications for potential candidacy, explanation of some of the items and paraphernalia in the Lodge room, and some of the ideas and tenets promoted by Masonry, as well as topics forbidden to be discussed in the Lodge, such as religion and politics.

Subsequent meetings could each center upon topics specific to the Degree just completed, and could include, but are not limited to, definition of present status (Entered Apprentice, Fellowcraft, Master Mason), and how each relates to the world of Masonry, symbols, tools, and allegories of each Degree, interpretation of the Degree just experienced, election and balloting, and organization of the Lodge.

While this is a full agenda to cover, once completed it will serve to create a well informed, educated Master Mason, with a repertoire more inclusive than that which he might be able to garner on his own, particularly as a newly created Mason.

The LSOME Program will take place in the Monroe District, with Session I on December 2nd, followed by Session II on

March 3rd, and concluding with Session III on April 16th.

The Shepherding Program

Yet another program of Masonic Education, is the Shepherding Program, which is different than the LSOME Program, but closely aligned with it.

Every candidate is a stranger to Freemasonry and Freemasonry is a stranger to him. It is not merely a Lodge that he joins, but a great Fraternity with a history stretching back over many centuries, an intricate system of laws, a

large number of purposes, ideals and Obligations, a set of rights, privileges and duties, a set of landmarks to be preserved.

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

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this Program, the Lodge assigns the candidate a "Shepherd," hence the name, to guide him through the process of becoming a Master Mason. Although this program may vary by individual Lodge, ideally the candidate meets with the Shepherd a minimum of five times.

At the first meeting, prior to the 1st Degree, the candidate and his Shepherd view Part One of the LSOME videotape, and review Part One of the LSOME booklet.

At the second meeting, following the 1st Degree and prior to the 2nd Degree, Part Two of the LSOME videotape is viewed, and Part Two of the LSOME booklet is reviewed.

Meeting three, following the 2nd Degree and prior to the 3rd Degree, involves viewing Part Three of the LSOME videotape and reviewing Part Three of the LSOME booklet.

The fourth meeting encompasses viewing the last part of the LSOME videotape and reviewing the final part of the LSOME booklet. Approximately one month after the fourth meeting, a continuing education program designed by the Lodge, should be implemented. This program may take one of many forms, but might include a Grand Lodge Home Reading Course, attendance at a Masonic Development Course, or a Lodge of Instruction. It is highly recommended that a continuing program of support through fraternal Lodge visitations, Shepherd Counseling, and Lodge participation, be in place for the new Brothers during their first year as Master Masons.

Masonic Development Course

This newly developed Course is a replacement for the former Masonic Leadership Course. It differs from the former, in that it is more esoteric and participatory in nature. The Genesee/Wyoming District presently does not offer this Program, but it is available through the Monroe District, and will be offered in three sessions: Session I will take place November 13th, followed by Session II on January 8th, and concluding with Session III on February 17, 2003. Any Master Mason who aspires to become Master of his Lodge is strongly encouraged to enroll in this program. For further details regarding this Course, feel free to contact your Master or me.

Road to the East Program

This is an excellent educational program sponsored by Grand Lodge to help Lodge officers to prepare to become Masters of their Lodges. Participation in the Road to the East Program can help make one's term as Master a memorable one. While any Master Mason who would like to know what it means to be Master of a Lodge may attend, it is designed primarily for senior officers who are contemplating making their way to the East in the near future.

Within this Course, responsibilities, leadership and organization are stressed, and among the topics covered are: responsibilities of the Master, the power of the Chair, news article writing, ways to obtaining new members and retaining membership, installation alternatives, Brother Bring-a-Friend techniques, trestleboard planning, aspects of Masonic Law, communication skills, and Masonic protocol and etiquette. This Course will be of-

ferred in conjunction with other Districts, and will take place at Phoenix Lodge, in Dansville, on the following Saturdays: Session I - December 7th; Session II - January 4th, 2003; and Session III - February 1st, 2003. For further details, contact your Lodge Master, or I may be reached at the telephone number or e-mail in the heading of this article.

An important point to keep salient in one's mind, is that it is not only the candidate who profits from this system of Masonic Education. The Lodge itself is strengthened by having members who, from the beginning, are better able to take part in its activities, who are likely to become regular attendants, and who can quickly grasp the aim and purpose of the Lodge's endeavors. As a result, the Master now has a larger staff of trained members who are already prepared for Work.


Symbolic Lodge Awards

Brethren, please do not forget the Symbolic Lodge Awards Night taking place at the Downtown Temple on Thursday, October 17th. I hope to see you and your nominee there!

In closing, best wishes are extended to Joan Barber, Horace Wilder, Charles Lee, and Jerry Brade, who are recovering from surgery, and to Dolores Hargrave, who was taken ill while traveling near Lake George. Our deepest condolences are extended to Brother Ron Sackett on the recent passing of his wife, Gale. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Until next month... □

HESPERUS
Lodge No. 837
1st and 3rd
Thursday



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Condolences

It is my sad duty to inform you that Brother Dennis Kirst has passed away. On August 29th, in Wellsville, NY, members from Hesperus Lodge joined the Wellsville Lodge in putting on a wonderful Masonic Service. Brother Jim MacConnell officiated. Dennis was our Byron/Bergen Superintendent of Schools; he retired in August of 2001. He made a lot of friends in the Byron/Bergen community during his tenure.

Golf Tournament

Our Second Annual Van Hulburt Memorial Golf Tournament was again a huge success. One hundred and forty golfers and twenty-five additional dinner guests attended. We had a great time, especially the team of Brother Chris MacConnell, which included Joe Chimino, Bob Seils, and Don Mattice. They again proved that golf is a fun sport. We raised approximately \$2,500 for the Crossroads House of Batavia. Brother Van's family expressed their gratitude to all Hesperus members for the hard work and dedication in keeping Brother Van's memory alive.

Great picnic

Our Annual Masonic Picnic was held at my house on August 18th. We enjoyed a great Steak Dinner and Brother Chet Banach provided music. Brothers Don Mattice and Marty Krause won the Bean Bag Toss competition.

It was great to see our Octogenarian members in attendance (Brothers Kenny Barons, and Gib Ernst.) Bob Hebner and his wife traveled from Tennessee to be in attendance. Brother Gib Ernst gave the Lodge a generous donation in memory of his wife. I have assigned a committee to investigate the possibility of installing a sound system in the Lodge room, to improve communication. Thank you, Brother Gib, for your thoughtfulness.

September

The 1st Degree was conferred on September 5th with W. Joe Chimino in the East. He conferred the Entered Apprentice Degree upon three candidates. All participants performed extremely well; especially considering it was our first meeting of the Masonic year. Thanks, everybody, great job!

Our Fish Fry on September 6th, to benefit the Bergen Park Committee, was a great success. We raised \$500 and had an enjoyable time. I thank all the Brothers and ladies who participated. Brothers Jim and Chris MacConnell, and their crew, did a superb job cooking the fish. Marge Busmire made sure that the kitchen help was kept busy at all times. Thanks again!

Agenda

- October 3rd - 2nd Degree with Brother Ron Morris in the East.
- October 10th - High Twelve Club (please contact me at 585-820-6355 if anyone needs a ride.)
- October 16th - Grand Lecturer's Convention at Hesperus. All officers must attend.
- October 17th - Symbolic Lodge Awards Night with dinner at 5:30 p.m.
- October 26th - OES Card Party at Hesperus at 7:00 p.m.
- October 28th - OES Master Mason Night
- October 30th - Interlodge Eucharist Tournament
- November 3rd - Rehearsal for the 3rd Degree
- November 7th - 3rd Degree, I will be in the East; tickets will be distributed.

Sickness and distress

Brothers John Bater, Freddy Morrow and Gib Ernst are doing well, as is Jean Butler. □

Oakland Lodge
No. 379, F. & A.M.
1st and 3rd Tues.
(Jan., Feb., Mar.: 1st Tues. only)



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Let me start by apologizing for not having an article in last month's *Masonic Times*. It was a goal of mine this year to get an article in every month. I guess the Summer and the August deadline got away from me. I hope everyone had a wonderful Summer break.

I extend a thank you on behalf of Oakland Lodge to the Genesee/Wyoming Purple Apron Club. Once again they did a wonderful job during our Joint Installation with Warsaw Lodge. Oakland's officers for the ensuing year are:

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Please come out to congratulate and support the current officers of your Lodge.

We have some serious decisions to make regarding our Masonic Temple. The building is starting to show its many years of service and existence. Each member will be receiving a letter soon informing them of a special communication regarding our Temple. This meeting will allow members to voice their opinion on the future action to be taken.

Official Visit

The Official Visit by DDGM, R. W. Robert Strang, and his Staff Officer, R. W. Norman P. Austin, will take place at our first communication on October 1st. It would be wonderful if we could get the sidelines full for this special visit. Please ask every member you haven't seen in a while to get out of the house and attend this communication.


Everyone welcome!

Oakland Lodge will be having a roadside clean up detail on October 5th. Every member's help is welcomed and appreciated. All members should meet at the Castile Town Buildings at 8:00 a.m.

Hopefully this article will help inform Oakland Lodge members everywhere on the happenings of their Lodge. It is wonderful to have a newspaper like this, but

the best way to find out what is happening in our Lodge is to attend our communications. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month. Our meetings start at 7:30 p.m. and are being held at the American Legion building. This is the big white building just down the hill from the Temple. □

Arcade
Lodge No. 419
7:30 p.m., 2nd & 4th
Tues., Sept., Jan.,
4th Tues., Jan., Feb.



Master
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Well, we are off to another exciting year to see if we can improve on the past, as I unintentionally missed the last issue.

Our first meeting was followed by the District School of Instruction on September 10th. We discussed the duties of the officers and the use of the Sign of Fidelity.

The second meeting was the AGL's Visit to Arcade Lodge. There was a Pot Luck Dinner.

Join us!

Our Pancake Breakfasts will resume the third Sunday of October. Brother Craig Roberts, our Senior Warden, has volunteered to be the Chairman of these Breakfasts. They will continue into early 2003 on the 3rd Sunday of each month. The fellowship this main-

tains is well worth the effort. W. Adrian Miller started this last year, and it proved to be worthwhile.

As a point of interest, Brother Bob McElheny chaired our Fabulous Fifties food tent and we did an excellent job of selling hot dogs and sausage with peppers and onions. The fellowship was also worth all the time and effort.

We believe that these projects keep Masonry in front of the public. It is anticipated that our Lodge will, in time, be able to provide assistance to charitable causes.

1st Degree

We will be conferring the 1st Degree on October 8th. Please plan to attend and show your support. If you need a ride, call 585-492-1813 a week or two ahead.

September birthdays

Scott Mason, 11th; Leonard Mason, 19th; Daniel Dike, 19th; David Hossenlopp, 23rd; and James O'Dell, 23rd.

October birthdays

Ronald Jaquish, 4th; Charles Newman, 6th; Donald Frost, 12th; Henry Meyer, 13th; Vincent Phelps, 13th; Robert Holland, 18th; John Reidel, 19th; Walter Hackett, 25th; and Milford Drake, 29th.

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I take this opportunity to welcome back all of the Brothers to Blue Lodge. I hope you and your families enjoyed the sunshine we had this Summer.

There were a few Lodge functions this Summer and I would like to thank those who gave of their time and efforts. The first event was the Hot Dog Stand at Jubilee. Members from Blue Lodge, Eastern Star, DeMolay, and Rainbow, made the Stand a success. The other was the Masonic afternoon at the ball park in August, at Dwyer Stadium (home of the Batavia Muckdogs). The Lodge gave away bicycles to two lucky children. It was a great afternoon for baseball and I am looking forward to doing it again next year.

Last, but not least, was the Spaghetti Dinner sponsored by the Genesee/Wyoming Council of Masonic Activities, and hosted by Olive Branch Lodge, on September 21st.

Plans

There are a few things coming up in the near future. First, there will be a Lodge Picnic during the month of October. The Junior Warden will be communicating more information via phone, e-mail, etc., concerning this event.

Second, will be the Official Visit of our District Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Robert Strang, on October 8th. We will be having dinner at a nearby restaurant starting at 6:00 p.m. before our meeting at 8:00 p.m. Details are being formulated at the present time.

The third event will be held on October 16th. It will be the District Grand Lecturer's Convention at Hesperus Lodge in Bergen. I hope that all the Lodge officers can attend this event and we can bring the Potts Award home to Batavia Lodge.

Sickness and distress

W. Horace Wilder has been making visits to the confines of Genesee Memorial Medical center recently. He is presently at home and the most recent report is that he is making a full recovery.

If you know of someone who we should include in this segment, please notify me.

Finally, my Brothers, I ask each of you to remember victims of the past year during the 9/11 event and to the present time. Remember our service men and women as they continue to serve us in providing their services to our country.

May God Bless America! May God Bless us all!

Ontario/Seneca/Yates District

Milnor Lodge No. 139
 2nd & 4th Thurs.
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October events

At our regular communication on October 10th, we will have the Official Visit of District Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Clayton R. Ruggles. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m. and meeting at 7:30 p.m.

October 24th program is the York Rite. Communication is at 7:30 p.m.

Special thanks

Our Annual Pancake Breakfast and Masonic Child ID (video tape) was a success. We served over 85 orders of pancakes, sausages, eggs, and beverages. We videotaped 15 children. A special thank you to DDGM, R. W. Bob Ruggles, Carol Roys, and several members of the Eastern Star for doing the videotapes.

The Brothers who participated in the Pancake Breakfast were John Purdy, Jim Hartz, Corky Thon, Garth Thon, Bud Peglow, Larry Mahoney, Bob Roys, Bob Meuler and me.

Reminder

If you would like to contribute a paragraph or news item, please contact Eldon White at 585-924-1603, Bob Meuler at 585-924-5806 or mail to the Lodge PO Box.

Livingston District

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 Sec. R. W. Francis E. Oberer 9501 Asbury Rd., LeRoy NY 14482 585-768-6698

The wheels are in motion. For Eunice Lodge No. 830, Tuesday, October 29th, at 7:30 p.m., will be our first Brother Bring-a-Friend Night. All it takes for you to do this is to say, "Have you ever thought about becoming a Mason?" (Took my own advice from the September issue of the *Masonic Times*, word for word. It's also how I was introduced). It took barely two minutes for me to get a serious thought to Masonry

from a friend in attending this occasion. It's your opportunity to welcome any acquaintance AND his wife to an event that will forever shape his future. I welcome all regular Brothers to this event to take part and "see how it goes". If you've been active, you've already heard this message. If inactive, perhaps this is a way to reverse that role for yourself. What do you think?

Events for October

Thursday, October 3rd, regular communication at 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, October 17th, 1st Degree Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, October 18th, Grand Lecturer's Convention, Avon Springs, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, October 18th, Euchre Card Party to start, Eunice Lodge, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, October 28th, Livingston Association meeting, Livonia, 7:30 p.m.

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I wish our new District Deputy Grand Master, R. W. John E. Zabel, and Grand Sword Bearer, R. W. Derek VanHouten, the best of luck in their new year, and would like to let them know that the Masonic War Veterans are there to help in anyway if needed.

Our next meeting will be on October 24th, starting with a Swiss Steak Dinner at 6:30 p.m. The cost is still only \$7.50 and reservations are needed. A call to all members will take place.

Bring-a-Veteran Night

This meeting is going to be a SPECIAL meeting because we will be inviting Masonic Veterans to a Brother Bring-a-Brother Veteran Night, just like a Brother Bring-a-Friend Night. So get the word out to all those Masonic veterans and invite them to our meeting.

We will have petitions for those who need them.


Interfaith Service and Brunch

Just a reminder that November 3rd is the date of the Interfaith Service and Brunch at Logan's Party House on Scottsville Road. The Service will be at 10:00 a.m., and the Brunch at 11:00 a.m. This year's recipient of the Distinguished Community Service Award is Bonnie Vahey, Executive Director of the local Ronald McDonald House.

M. W. Carl J. Fitje, Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York, will be the guest speaker.

I have tickets, the cost is only \$10.00 and this event is open to family and friends. The Masonic War Veterans Color Guard will be there to present the Colors.

I hope to see you all at the next meeting. Please take time to stop and smell the roses.

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Our Next training session is scheduled for October 19th & 20th

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Scottish Rite NEWS

Consistory
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Commander-in-Chief



Stephen R. Whittaker, 33°

Settle on a few major priorities

As we continue to embrace change and learn each step of the way in our changing Fraternal environment, it's important as well to realize that everything cannot be fixed at once. We are beginning to realize a few early wins. Momentum counts...nothing succeeds like success.

Providing customer value

It was a pleasure to see nearly 100 people at our Family Life Baseball Night at Frontier Field. It helped to cheer on our home team to a great victory! Special thanks to Sublime Prince Joseph Oelgoetz III, 32°, Sovereign Prince of the Council of Princes of Jerusalem, and his team for organizing this Family Life event.

A week later, it was thrilling to see nearly 180 people attend our annual Outing to partake of clams and lobsters. Special thanks to Bill Hook, Jim Pray, Dick Lippincott, Rene VanDeVeire, Don Rose, and others who provided a great Clam Bake! It was fun to see many of our members participate in this annual event! Yes, ladies, we did respond by making this a "couples" event. It was great to have all of you with us to share in an evening of great food and fun!

Congratulations to all who received special recognition awards that evening.

New facility for the Learning Center and Office

Thanks kindly to Ill. Rodney R. Rittenhouse for his leadership

in moving forward with many of the requirements to move these two operations to the Lauer's Building on Monroe Avenue. A final set of plans was approved, the lease reviewed and signed and construction planned for the renovation of the third floor area where these two offices will be located.

Costumes, properties and wardrobe

SP Mark Tabbert, 32°, the Curator of the Museum of Our National Heritage, spent two days reviewing all of these items and providing some advice and counsel about the particular items in inventory, uses and applications in various Degrees, the historical significance of some items that we have that have never (in modern times) been used, etc. It was a truly educational experience.

Supreme Council news

Congratulations to Sublime Prince Robert D. Pedersen, 1st Lt. Commander, who was elected to receive the 33° in St. Louis in September of 2003. As many of you know, Bob has been a very diligent leader in our Valley in several different areas. Much of his time has been spent as our Marketing Manager in the recruitment of new members, updating of our Valley Strategic Plan, as well as in the Academy teaching effort. He is a Past Master of Clio Lodge, a Past Most Wise Master of the Rochester Chapter of Rose Croix, and a member of Damascus Shrine. Congratulations, Bob!

Symbolic Lodge Awards Night

We look forward to October 17th to greet those special Brothers from area Craft Lodges and to present them with a special Certificate of Recognition. Our Grand Master, M. W. and Ill. Carl J. Fitje, 33°; the Deputy for New York, Ill. Harold L. Aldrich, 33°, and several Grand Lodge Officers will be on hand to celebrate with these Brothers. Sublime Prince Eldon White has

been hard at work planning and preparing for this event! We welcome your attendance on this special evening and look forward to having many present.

Fall Degree schedule

The Lodge of Perfection Degrees (9th and 14th) will be conferred on Friday, November 1st at Olive Branch Lodge in LeRoy. This is an effort that reinforces support of our new Western New York Scottish Rite Club. Specific details will be mailed to all members.

The regular Fall Degree series will take place on Thursday, November 21st when these two Lodge Degrees will again be conferred. On Saturday, November 23rd, the remaining Degrees for this series will be presented. Buffalo Consistory has been invited to confer the 23° and will share in a joint Conferral of the 32°. Please plan to attend and share in the many lessons portrayed by these beautiful Degrees.

Reach Out and Say Hello

The Valley has scheduled two Brother Bring-a-Brother Night Programs for this Fall. Please mark October 11th at the Party House and October 25th at the Phelps Hotel. Should you have an available prospect, please invite him to one of these events for an overview of our organization. Only one of every five members of your Lodge is a Scottish Rite Mason; take a moment to Reach Out and Say Hello and invite a non-member to join the Scottish Rite!

Special thanks to all of our Officers and members for your care and support of our Valley and its activities; we all have a great deal of which to be proud! Please remember those in need in your daily prayers; our Great Architect's Blessings have shown so much love and care. Thank you kindly for your interest. □



Ill. Charles Hancock, 33°, receiving his Past Commander's Jewel at the S.R. Clambake. Ill. Steve Whittaker, 33°, current Commander-in-Chief, looks on.

News from the 1st

Lieutenant Commander

By Robert Pedersen

Awards and Recognition

Congratulations to Ill. Charles Hancock, 33°, for receiving his Past Commander-in-Chief's Jewel; Sublime Prince Norman Austin for his Past Thrice Potent Master's Jewel; Distinguished Brother Craig Mollon, 32° MSA, Red Cap; and the recipients of the Ill. John B. Mullén Award Blue Cap, for dedicated service; William N. Fredenburg, David Taber, Lawrence Dunn, Erwin Newell, Ron Weber, and Derek VanHouten.

Brother Bring-a-Brother event

With Fall approaching and another Reunion just around the corner, we are sponsoring two Brother Bring-a-Brother Din-

ners. The first will be on Friday, October 11th, at The Party House, and the second will be Friday, October 25th at the Phelps Hotel. Details in this issue. Call and make a reservation for yourself, your prospective candidate(s) and spouses. Deadline dates are listed in the advertisement.

Critical mass and membership

We, in the Valley of Rochester, use the term critical mass when discussing the number of individual teams it takes to successfully operate an organization. In the Valley of Rochester, with almost 1000 local members, we have about 75 individuals serving on committees (teams); our critical mass. While we do this well, we can only get better as more Brothers get involved. It is the responsibility of all the members of the Valley of Rochester to Reach Out and Say Hello to all the Blue Lodges in our area and assist in the membership programs and community projects.

One cannot, and should not, sit still and watch the world go by. We realize that the average person, in today's workforce, has approximately 4-5 hours per month of free time. I ask each of you to assist the officers, committees, and office staff by giving a little of your time. Join the bandwagon, be part of the critical mass, don't just sit there and watch the parade go by. If you care about Freemasonry, it is your duty to contact a fellow Master Mason, and invite him/them to advance his/their knowledge of Freemasonry. It is the duty of all of us. It is every members' duty to reach out and ask those who are qualified to join our rank and file, whether it be to join a Concordant Body, or begin their journey in Freemasonry by petitioning a Symbolic Craft Lodge.

Re-Member the Blue Lodge

Join us October 17th for our Symbolic Lodge Recognition Night, where we distinguish indi-



New Caps were received by Dave Taber (Blue), Larry Dunn (Blue), Erwin Newell (Blue), Craig Mollon, MSA (Red Cap), Ron Weber (Blue) and Bill Fredenburg (Blue).

viduals from area Symbolic Lodges. Not only will a Brother who has shown unselfish dedication to his Craft Lodge be recognized, but also will the Worshipful Master of his Lodge. The Craft Lodge is where we begin our journey in Freemasonry. Join us as we "pack the house" for this wonderful evening.

As we realize the future of our Fraternity begins at the Symbolic Lodge, we, as members of a Concordant Body, must also assist the Worshipful Master and the officers with the plans developed for membership growth. While the "24 Inch Gauge" supplies a proven template for membership, it takes legwork and energy to market ourselves in today's busy world. As a Fraternal salesman, you have approximately 3 minutes to make your pitch regarding Freemasonry. Please don't look around waiting for someone else.

Take the time and effort to do the Rite thing...Reach Out and Say Hello. Our Fraternity depends on you. □

The Secretary's Corner

Congratulations to Robert D. Petersen on his election to receive the 33° at the Supreme Council meeting in September, 2003, in St. Louis, MO. He is one of four elected to receive this honor from the State of New York. Bob, our 1st Lt. Commander, has been especially effective as our marketing manager for some time now. He heads up the Ambassador Program that is the outreach to Blue Lodges and also, along with Joe Oelgoetz, heads the Membership Committee. Bob was key in establishing the Academy here in the Valley of Rochester.

FYI

There is one 33° nomination available for each seventy 14° Scottish Rite Masons made each year. Bob was elected as an At Large candidate. Here in the Val-

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M. W. Carl J. Fitje
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ley of Rochester we did not create seventy new Lodge of Perfection Masons during the year.

Calendars

Please accept our apologies for the delay in making calendars available this year. In an effort to better serve you, our customers, we sought competitive bids for the printing this year. Working out the details of that arrangement was the cause of the delay. Over the last two years we have made substantial cost reductions while increasing and improving the content of this valuable tool.

Awards

For those individuals who were unable to attend the Annual Outing, the office has a number of Awards that were scheduled to be presented. You may arrange to receive your Award by calling the office at 271-0715. As a reminder the following individuals were to receive Membership Awards: James DeMarco, Paul Farnung, Dennis Gellasch, Vernon Goodrich, Larry Hood, Garry Hutcherson, George Nasra, Pedro Ugalde, Derek VanHouten and Eldon White. □

Council of Princes of Jerusalem

By Joseph F. Oelgoetz, III
Fun had by all!

On August 17th the Valley of Rochester had its first ever Family Life Night at the Frontier Stadium. There were over one hundred attendees, including children, parents and grandparents. The festivities began with dinner at the Walk of Fame Cafe, which

consisted of a truly "All American" picnic, with hamburgers, cheeseburgers, hot dogs and all the trimmings.

After dinner, everyone sat down to enjoy watching the Red Wings play the Syracuse Sky Chiefs. The Red Wings pulled off a win with the winning run coming in the 7th inning. The final score was 9 to 4.

This was truly a family event with fun being had by all. Thanks go out to Mike McBride, of the Monroe District Masters and Wardens Association, for his involvement. The Valley of Rochester Family Life Night at the Red Wings is the third event conducted within the "Family Life" Program. Previously, the Valley provided a Family Life Night at the Shrine Circus in March, as well as participating in the Monroe District Masonic Family Day in April.

Family is a very important part of Masonry. The Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction has developed the Family Life Program to promote the family, and to provide programs and projects at which Brethren and their families can participate together.

The next event is scheduled for December 5th. It will be the second annual "Toys for Tots" Family Holiday Party. Like last year, the plan is to have a festive dinner, along with entertainment for all ages. Cost of the event will be an un-wrapped toy to be donated to the United States Marine Corps. "Toys for Tots" Program. Location to be determined, so stay tuned. □

Edict

Continued from page 1

Knights and Masons join in house painting

Christopher Bell, founder of the Good Counsel Home for Mothers and Children in Hoboken, was the recipient of much needed help from the Community.

The Bell family consists of six adopted children ages 2 to 12 years: four from Russia, one from Africa and one from Mexico, all with severe deformities. While the family was away last Summer, members of the Belleville community contacted the local Chapter of the Knights of Columbus and Nutley Lodge No. 25, Nutley, NJ for assistance.

Several rooms were painted, draperies and carpets were donated, landscaping was done, and the home turned into a castle. When the children returned home, they were delighted to see bright rooms, new bedspreads, and new toys and asked if Santa Claus had arrived early.

(Courtesy Emessay Notes) □

MMRL's Research Reaches the White House

When Vice President Dick Cheney was experiencing heart problems last year, the White House sought out Douglas P. Zipes, M.D., a nationally known cardiologist who is a Professor of Medicine at Indiana University School of Medicine and the Krannert Institute of Cardiology. Dr. Zipes is also President of the American College of Cardiology and one of the world's leading authorities on implantable cardioverter defibrillators (ICDs).



Vice President Dick Cheney

presentation on the history of the Buffalo Soldiers given as part of the program. This group has made several appearances in the Rochester-Monroe County area since its inception.



Bing C. Reaves, Sr., Commander, with Richard Funk, member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, who extended the invitation to the Buffalo Soldiers. □

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Steak Roast

Our Annual Steak Roast, on September 18th at Camp Smile, was a great success. Thirty-three were in attendance. Brother Paul Kober, with libations, and Brother Angelo DiCataldo, at the grill, did their usual magic providing sustenance for the Woodsmen and ladies. Hors d'oeuvres were great, as well as the accoutrements. Thanks to all who



Douglas P. Zipes, M.D.

Zipes trained as a Postdoctoral Fellow at the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory under Gordon K. Moe, M.D., Ph.D., Director of Research at the time. Dr. Moe was an expert in cardiac arrhythmias and was considered a world authority on the subject by his peers. Dr. Moe established the basis for understanding the mechanism of fibrillation, a type of arrhythmia that can lead to death within minutes and is common in heart attack patients. It was just one of many pioneering findings attributed to

him. His research provided the basic theory about fibrillatory waves that years later facilitated the development of a number of devices including the automatic implantable cardioverter defibrillator or ICD; the same device implanted in the Vice President of the United States.

Dr. Moe's expertise enabled him to serve as an invaluable bridge in the translation of experimental findings to relevant clinical phenomena. His outstanding research accomplishments and those of his many students contributed immeasurably to the understanding of the normal and abnormal mechanisms of heart function.

Moe was an innovator in the diagnosis of various arrhythmias and improved therapies that are in existence today. He was also an

brought those dishes to pass. Corn on the cob was an extra for this year; perhaps it will become a regular tradition.

The last word from Supreme Forest, on our taking on Tall Cedars at-large, was that they not be counted toward our per-capita if they have not responded to their dues notices. Our Scribe, Don Bell, will send a copy of the Garden City roster indicating those who have not chosen to join us.

A plea

Our next meeting will be October 23rd. Please do all you can to obtain some new members. We will not be able to extend the life of Rochester Forest too much longer without an influx of new members. If you need petitions, see me or our Scribe. We are desperate! If a worthy candidate is not yet a Mason, all the better. We can make him one. □



Gordon K. Moe, M.D.

author of many papers, chapters and books which are still used in teaching. Zipes said, "Gordon Moe conducted many of the early studies on the cause of (heart) fibrillation." He calls Moe "the father of electrophysiology" and said the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory has become "a Mecca of sorts" for attracting physiologists from all over the world.

Zipes was the first recipient of the Gordon K. Moe Visiting Professorship at the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory. He also is just one of many bright and talented individuals to study under Dr. Moe. Dr. Charles Antzelevitch, MMRL Executive Director and Director of Research, also trained under Dr. Moe and later succeeded him as head of the MMRL. Dr. Antzelevitch has gone on to become an internationally recognized electrophysiology authority in his own right. (This article taken from the "MMRL Update"). □

Valley of Rochester, A.A.S.R.

Brother-Bring-a-Brother-Nights

<p>Friday Oct. 11</p> <p>The Party House 677 Beahan Rd. Rochester, New York</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Social Time 7:00 p.m. Buffet Dinner</p>	<p>Friday Oct. 25</p> <p>Phelps Hotel Phelps, New York</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Social Time 6:30 p.m. Buffet Dinner</p>
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Your name and your guests name by noon-October 8th for Oct. 10th and October 22nd for Oct. 25th.
All Master Masons and their ladies will be guests of the Scottish Rite.
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Buffalo Soldiers Present Colors at VFW Event, M.-W.- Carl Smith, Guest Speaker.

By James Ghent

The Buffalo Soldiers, under the direction of Bing Reaves, presented the Colors at a Veterans of Foreign Wars event by invitation of Richard Funk. The featured speaker for the evening was

M.-W.- Carl J. Smith, Past Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York.

The Buffalo Soldiers have two teams, the Color Guard and the Presentation Team. Both teams participated that evening with a



Participants in the VFW event are (from left): Buffalo Soldier Troopers Richard Robinson, Jessie Stevens, M.-W.- Carl J. Smith, Past Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York, Trooper George Whitfield and Commander Bing C. Reaves, Sr.

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Grand Line Visitation

As of this writing, the date for our Visit from the Grand Royal Arch Captain, R.E. John S. Jones, is yet to be determined. I will inform the High Priests as soon as we have a firm date.

Looking Forward Program

The High Priests should have returned the reservation slips to Grand Chapter by September 30th, if they are attending this Program. If anyone is still interested in going, please let your High Priest know or call me and we will make sure you get a seat. Again, the date is October 26th in Utica. □

Hiram Chapter



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Companions, the Summer ran so fast that my first entry for the *Masonic Times* comes in October! Welcome back to the quarries and the serious work that we have undertaken.

Scholarship Awards

For those of you who attended the June Picnic, we had a wonderful day with our Scholarship recipient. The location was set up to be a preview of the Damascus facilities for the possible lease that was pending. We used the picnic facilities on the South side of the Center. The carpeting had been laid and the seating was in the early stages for their first Shrine meeting in the new hall.

Summer cruise

A small group attended the Keuka Maid Luncheon Cruise. We had a beautiful day and excellent fare. It's nice to see the shore from an elevated deck and notice all the shoreline activities. We were surprised by the number of cottages and homes that were unattended on such a nice day. All in all, it was smooth sailing.

Training schedule

By now all of you should have received the mailing on Royal Arch Training for current and future officers. If you haven't, please contact me or the Secretary immediately to arrange attendance. The dates are October 5th at Utica for Upstate and October 26th Poughkeepsie, Downstate. You must have the Chapter Manual that was purchased at the last Grand Convocation in Albany, so make arrangements for attendance and use of a manual. This is a high priority on the Grand High Priest's list of necessary elements for leadership.

Degrees

As you know, we held the MMM and PM Degrees on September 26th with our candidates. The MEM Degree will be held on October 10th. The Holy Royal Arch will be conferred on November 14th.

Canadian Visit

We are traveling to Toronto, Canada, on the weekend of October 25-26th. Details will be provided for a flyer and map to arrange attendance. Set your calendars and advise the ladies that we look forward to their participation.

Grand Line Visitation

Our calendar has been set up for an October 24th visitation of the Grand Line Officers with our DDGHP. Let's show them a Hiram welcome and dazzle them with our skill in the work. If you are unable to attend, please advise me such that we may keep the polish on our work as replacements are necessary.

Dinners

Be sure to call the Scribe with your dinner reservation so that those who prepare the meal can adequately provide for all. They always do an excellent job. □

**Excelsior
Chapter No. 164**

2nd Mon.

High Priest
E. L. Ronald
Edwards
289-3205

Secretary
R.E. Cullen O. Henry
394-4250
Shortsville, NY

Excelsior Chapter No. 164 is having a very hard time getting enough people to open, without the help from other Chapters. We have not opened without aid since our Election night, December, 2001. At our September Convocation we had five members and one visitor in attendance, which is not going to keep us around long without some changes. What can we do? I used the word, can, in the question because CAN means ABLE. This translates to: "What are we able to do?"

1. If you are able, come to Seneca Falls Temple on October 1st at 7:30 p.m., where the Grand Master of the 1st Veil will visit the 25th Capitular District. This is a District visit to help us. All four Chapters in our District are in need of help; some are worse off than others. We need your presence and input to help save our Chapters. Come armed with ideas, comments and questions. With your help we will succeed.

2. Excelsior Chapter's next convocation is October 14th at 7:30 p.m. in the Shortsville Masonic Temple. If you are a member and still able to walk and talk it is your duty to be there.

3. We need to add the Woodmen's Compass to our working tools so that we can find and follow a clear path to our future.

We are half owners of the Masonic Temple Building in Shortsville. I direct this statement to the attention of the Canandaigua Masonic Lodge members, who are also members of the Chapter. If we fail to keep our

Chapter alive the Lodge may not be able to keep the property because of the expense. This could double your responsibility to keep the Chapter alive and well.

We pray that the God of good health will be with you always. God Bless you, one and all.

Cheerio.

Am I not destroying my enemies when I make friends of them? *Abraham Lincoln* □

Palmyra/Eagle Chapter No. 79

1st Mon. 7:30 p.m.



High Priest
Cyril White
315-597-9546
Sec.
R. Stuart
Smith
161 E. Main St., Palmyra 14522

Greetings Companions, all. The next stated convocation for Palmyra Eagle Chapter No. 79 (I think I have the right name and number this time) is Monday, October 7th, at 7:30 p.m. at the Palmyra Temple. It will be preceded by a 6:30 p.m. Oktoberfest Dinner, featuring Bratwurst, Knockwurst, German Potato Salad, and a beverage the Germans are famous for - coffee (why do you think I called it an Oktoberfest and not Oktoberfest? - no beer)! So if you are into Bavarian food, this is the place for you!

Lake Osco

The Festival at Lake Osco in Montour Falls, NY, went exceptionally well, except for the weather. It was damp, but it did not dampen the spirits of those who attended. There were 20 candidates who received the Degrees. The DDGHP for the 24th Capitular District, R.E. Steven Heald, and I had a super time. We met old friends, and made new ones. What could be better than that?

Degree

We will be exemplifying the Most Excellent Master Degree at the October 7th meeting. Won't you join us for an evening of fine food, camaraderie, and Masonic Light? I promise you will not be pressed into service!

Here's hoping to see YOU around the Altar. □

LeRoy Chapter No. 183 RAM



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As we begin our second month of the Masonic year, we look forward to exemplifying each of the Degrees, as per the desire of the Grand High Priest. We will also, hopefully, be conducting more Fervency and Zeal Programs throughout the District and beyond. If your Chapter would like to have a Fervency and Zeal Program presented, feel free to contact our Secretary at the number listed in the logo of this article. We would be happy to assist.

Generous Companions

LeRoy Chapter is indeed fortunate in that through the generosity of several of the Companions, we now have new dies and pennies for the Chapter. R.E. Ruel Lovett, E. Don Reed, V.E. Jim MacConnell, and R.E. Karl-Heinz Reich each contributed \$50.00 to have a new die made and pennies minted. Our deepest gratitude goes out to these Companions for their kind donations. It is spirits such as this which is the mainstay of our Fraternity.

Travelers

During the latter part of last month and the early part of this month, a number of our Companions have been traveling the globe. Our Excellent High Priest, W. Don Reed, along with our Principal Sojourner, V.E. Jim MacConnell, have returned to Europe, as they did last year, to tour and view the Golf Classic. Our Treasurer, R.E. Karl-Heinz Reich, has traveled to Germany, once again. We wish these Companions safe and enjoyable journeys, and look forward to their return to the quarries, with interesting stories to share. □

District Deputy Grand Master

8th
Cryptic
District



R.L.
Cyril R. White
315-597-9546

Greetings, Companions all. Let me introduce myself: my name is Cyril R. White. Most folk call me Cy, (except my late mother, God rest her soul, and my sister, Eileen). I do answer to either name with the same courtesy and promptness!

The Most Illustrious Grand Master, Rex Long, appointed me to the post of DDGM on August 17, 2002. I anxiously, and humbly, look forward to the upcoming Cryptic year, and serving the Grand Master and especially you, the Companions of the 8th Cryptic District.

The Grand Master has communicated to me that he wants an 8th Cryptic District Festival. He plans on attending this Festival along with others of the Grand Line. The date for this Festival is Saturday, March 22, 2003, at the Masonic Temple in Hornell. The host Council will be Hornellsville Council No. 35. Hornellsville has eight candidates plus three or four in the wings. I am urging each Council in our District to fully participate in this endeavor by bringing candidates, assisting with the Royal Master, Select Master and possibly the Super Excellent Master Degree work, and making this a Festival of which we, in our District, can be justly proud.

Shortly I will be sending to each Master a letter requesting names of Companions who would be willing, and able, to take a part in the Degrees. I recognize that not everybody is able to participate, but we will need sideliners, too! So there is a spot for everyone.

The Grand Principal Conductor of the Council, R.E. Stephen A. Licht, has published his Official Visitation list on the Grand Council website (<http://www.2.2ki.net/slicht/index/htm>) for this Cryptic year. I include them here for your information.

Oct. 23 - Bath No. 40
Oct. 24 - Hornellsville No. 35
Nov. 7 - Palmyra No. 26
Nov. 18 - Skoi-yase No. 75
Nov. 20 - Doric No. 19

Jan. 27, 2003 - Nundawaga No. 92
My Official Visits will follow the same schedule except for Palmyra No. 26, which will be on January 2, 2003. If there are any problems with these dates, please contact me as early as possible. □

Doric Council
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By the end of September, our Trustees (William Lindsay, Vern Goodrich and Don Brugger) will have coordinated our physical inventory, and reviewed our finances so we can better understand the requirements of our next building.

The Annual Assembly at the RIT Marriott Inn in Henrietta ran smoothly this year. A special thank you to Companion Tom Paglia, who helped with this activity.

I thank all the members of Doric Council who helped with the 2001-2002 Charity Fund. We came in 2nd place for New York State and could come in 1st place next year with a little extra effort from everyone. Most Masonic families know someone who has been touched by illness; that is often enough to make people want to donate more to help find a cure.

In addition to our other Masonic obligations, we need to give ample time to recruiting new members. I will be distributing petitions at our next meeting and I challenge all Council members to return completed petitions as soon as possible. I am happy to say that I recruited one new member last year and will try to recruit at least one this year. □

**Nundawaga
Council
No. 92**

4th Monday
West Main Street
LeRoy, NY 14482
Ill. Charles H. Lee
Master - 343-2819
Ill. Vernon Rupert
Recorder - 343-8429

Charter Anniversary

Remember to set your clocks back an hour on Saturday, October 26th. Why? So you will not be late or miss our October 28th meeting. It will feature our Charter Anniversary Observance, marking the actual date in 1953 when our Council was officially Chartered. As Master, I plan to

recognize our Past Illustrious Masters during this meeting.

Grand Council

A full report of the events of the 179th Annual Assembly was given during the September meeting. These items are particularly important for Nundawaga members to know.

•Honorary member of Nundawaga, M..I.. E. William Whitaker, Grand Master of Cryptic Masons, presided.

•M..I.. Reuben E. Long, also an honorary member of Nundawaga, was installed as Grand Master of Cryptic Masons of the State of New York for the year 2002-2003.

•R..I.. Steven A. Licht, our Treasurer, was advanced and installed as Grand Principal Conductor of the Work. He also will hold membership on Grand Council Ritual, Condition and Extension of the Rite, Finance and Accounting-Budget Committees, as well as continuing with the Grand Council web site and Chairman of the Ish Sodi and Awards.

•Companion Paul McCullough received a Grand Council Meritorious Service Award from Grand Master Whitaker during Saturday's session. He has been named Chair of the Web Site for the coming year. Congratulations from your Companions, Paul.

•As Master, I received on behalf of your Council, our thirteenth consecutive Appreciation certificate for the Grand Council Charity Fund Support of \$5.00 or more per Companion for the last Cryptic year. This continued Award could not have happened without the support of the Companions of Nundawaga in the fight against Parkinson's Disease, the focus of Grand Charity efforts.

•I was Appointed and Installed as one of five Grand Chaplains for the year 2002-2003 by Grand Master Long. An informal Apron Presentation took place just prior to the installation from R..I.. Licht on behalf of Nundawaga Council. A formal presentation will be part of the October Council meeting.

•R..I.. Daniel N. Evans, Sr., completed his term as District Deputy Grand Master at the session. Our new District Deputy is R..I.. Cyril R. White of Palmyra Council.

•R..I.. Steven L. Wing continues to serve as a Grand Representative of the Grand Council of Alabama near the Grand Council of New York.

The above named were all present representing Nundawaga Council, along with I.. Kenneth E. Kohlhaugen. Thus, six Companions of Nundawaga represented your Council. However, once again we did not attain the status of the Council with the most representatives at Grand Council. There's always next year!

Anniversary Year vignette

At the Wednesday, October 28, 1953, Stated Assembly of the newly formed Council, the Eighth District Deputy presented two Past Grand Masters of Grand Council who were present. Meeting minutes indicate R..I.. James H. Watson presented M..I.. Walter E. Price, Grand Master. M..I.. Ira R. Ferguson, Grand Secretary, read the Charter and presented it to the new Council of Cryptic Masons. Grand Master Price charged officers and members in these words, still quite appropriate to notes as we approach our 50th anniversary: "To attend to their duties in a manner which becomes a Mason and to be very attentive to its meeting and by so doing can make a success of their Council." □

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Returning from a hot and dry August in Europe, we found that the weather here was also hot and dry. Perhaps it was a little more bearable in Europe! We managed to avoid the flooding that took place there. We visited Budapest and Prague before the flooding, and journeyed to Salzburg after the flooding. It was great to be able to make the trip, but it is also good to be back home again and involved in our usual activities.

By the time this is read, Grand Commandery will be history and the reports of the same will have been given at the September 26th conclave.

A dinner, to begin at 6:30 p.m., will precede the October 10th conclave. The meat for the meal will be provided and a letter will be sent with suggested dishes to pass. As usual, you are requested to bring your own table service for the meal.

The Annual Thanksgiving Dinner will take place on November 14th. More information concerning that dinner will be in the next *Masonic Times*. Another date to keep in mind is December 12th, when the Annual Christmas Observance will take place. □

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Our September meeting is still one week away as I write this. We will have discussed and, hopefully, resolved some of the issues facing us by the time this is printed.

Grand Commandery will have taken place and I will have a full report at our October meeting.

With regard to our Rededication Ceremony: we can combine it with our Christmas Toast, or we may have to wait until Spring. We have a great deal of things to accomplish by the end of the year. Having a separate night for our Rededication is going to be tough. I would like your input.

Well, that's all for now.

Schicker Club News

By Barbara Goodrich

Everyone enjoyed a delicious dinner on September 16th. Our ladies are such great cooks! It was fun going through some of the old documents and other paraphernalia sent in by Mr. Schicker.

Thanks to Leslie Roberts for bringing in the pictures of her daughter's lovely wedding. It's fun to share these happy events!

Our October meeting is the 21st. Please remember to bring items for the Ronald McDonald Wish List. At our September meeting we discussed continuing the dinners. We will have a Pot Luck Dinner in October, but need to know whether or not you will attend. Please call me at 473-

4351, the office, or at home, 377-0367. We hope you attend and enjoy the food and fellowship. □

Sagoyewatha
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It's hard to surmise and write about the Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery when the deadline for this article is due prior to the date when the Grand Commandery convenes. I do hope that the present Officers of the Grand Line advance in due form. All the Sir Knights of Sagoyewatha Commandery wish the incoming Grand Line Officers a good and rewarding year.

There will be a Reception and Banquet honoring SK M. Eugene Ellis, Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery, State of New York, on Saturday evening, October 12th at the Bonnie Castle year round resort in Alexandria Bay, NY. Call 315-387-3513, not later than October 1st, for meal reservations.

We had our first conclave on Saturday, September 14th, preceded by our usual 7:30 a.m. breakfast at the Blue Ribbon Restaurant. This put us in the proper mood to attempt our first full form opening of the Commandery. Maybe it was the food or the second cup of coffee, but I thought the opening went fairly well. With a little more practice, and a full line of officers, we should be ready for our Inspection in the Spring. I know that SK L. Ron Edwards is ready after a great two week vacation in Maine.

Future dates

To reiterate a few dates: Saturday, October 19th will be the School of Instruction in Phelps, SK Don Markham, Grand Captain General, presiding.

Our Annual Inspection will be held on Saturday, March 15, 2003. There will be a few more dates coming up for various activities in our Commandery and these will be finalized, I hope, by my next article. □

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Two Strong Legacies, One Bright Future

The International Supreme Council and International DeMolay Congress Meet in Houston

Every year DeMolay members and leaders meet to rejuvenate and refocus efforts for DeMolay. In the highlighting event of the DeMolay year, the International Supreme Council Session and International DeMolay Congress meet together for four days of hard work to conduct business, elect new leaders, and renew their commitment to DeMolay. In 2002, DeMolay members and leaders from around the globe convened in Houston, Texas.

Approximately 500 members and leaders attended Session. Much of the time was spent in business and committee meetings, but it wasn't all work and no play! Alumni logged time at the local greens, while Congress spent a day at Six Flags Astro World. Many were able to take in a Houston Astro baseball game, while others visited local attractions, such as the Houston Space Center.

The First Ever Alumni Golf Tournament

Before Session was officially kicked off, the DeMolay Alumni Association held its first Golf Tournament at the World Houston Golf Club. The scramble-style (best ball) tournament allowed golf pros and golf hackers alike to enjoy the camaraderie of a fun and friendly competition.

The Alumni Golf Tournament was a great success. Thanks to the support of sponsors, the Alumni Association was able to provide an affordable Golf Tournament and a delicious barbecue lunch, with proceeds of \$700 to fund DeMolay programs. The tournament participants were very enthusiastic and are looking forward to the second annual Alumni Golf Tournament at Session 2003 in Buffalo, New York.

Fellow Program Continues to Gain Momentum


The response to the Frank S. Land Fellow Program has been outstanding. Before Session, there were 42 Fellows committed, with several more verbal pledges. The Fellow Award is given to donors who give \$1,000 during 2002. Each recipient receives a custom designed medalion in a shadow box, engraved with his name or the name of a designate.

After presenting several Fellows at the Grand Opening Ceremony, fifteen additional donors came forward to make a donation and receive a Fellow. That brings total donations from the program to \$60,000. All donations from the program benefit the Annual Fund Appeal, which enables DeMolay International to fund important programs and services necessary to ensure DeMolay's long-term growth and prosperity.

New Congress and I.S.C. Officers

One of the highlights of Session was the election and installation of new Congress and International Supreme Council Officers. Following is a list of the elected officers for the 2002-2003 term:

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Lalla Rookh GROTTO News

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Alfred Pulcino III, Monarch

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



Alfred Pulcino III
Monarch

I think I just did this, didn't I? Aye! Aye! Aye! Realized all this before we left for Aruba and was told not to think about it and forget about it, so I did. That was not hard to do there, but now that we have returned, it's one thing after another, so off we go!

October

October is going to be pretty busy, also. On Monday, October 7th at 7:00 p.m., in the Grotto Office, the Board of Governors will meet, with refreshments to follow. Then it's off to Buffalo for the Zulieka Grotto's Monarch's Ball and a good time. No real information at this time, but it's going to be at McKinley Park Inn on October 12th at 6:00 p.m. We will have more information in the Office by the time you read this.

On Monday, October 14th, we will be having an Officer's rehearsal for our Fall Ceremonial at 7:00 p.m. in Cathedral Hall. Please grab your datebook and start writing the dates and times down so as not to forget.

The next out-of-town event is with Zafar Grotto in South Williamsport, PA. A Ceremonial Black Fez Ball is October 26th, to be held at their Club starting at 2:00 p.m.; dinner at 6:00 p.m.

Fall Ceremonial

In between all of that, Lalla Rookh Grotto will be having its Fall Ceremonial and nomination of Officers on Wednesday, October 16th at 7:30 p.m. in Cathedral Hall. Please do your best to have your petitions with checks in by the October 7th Board Meeting, so they can be voted on. Brothers reading this, please ask a Grotto member for a petition to join the Grotto, for it is the best Concordant Masonic Body of all for fun and frolic. Ask any Grotto member. If need be, call me at 225-8471 for more information.

We will be back to normal next month with my article. So many things at one time - yeh, yeh, yeh! Ciao for now.

Historian's Corner

By Ken Hutchinson, PM

Who among us has not heard at one time or another, the Grotto referred to as the "Poor Man's Shrine?" Was it because the dues were less? Or was it because the membership was made up of tradesmen, and middle class members?

Prophets in the early 1900's came from all walks of life. Their occupations varied. Members included a cigar maker, harness maker, blacksmiths, farmers, fruit producers, gardeners, brick layers, chauffeurs, milk dealers, a butcher, baker, grocers, railroad agent, innkeeper, telegraph operator, a few policemen, and postal workers. Then there was a doctor, dentist, and a lawyer.

Some joined because of curiosity, out of boredom, because others in their Lodge joined and it was the thing to do. Others

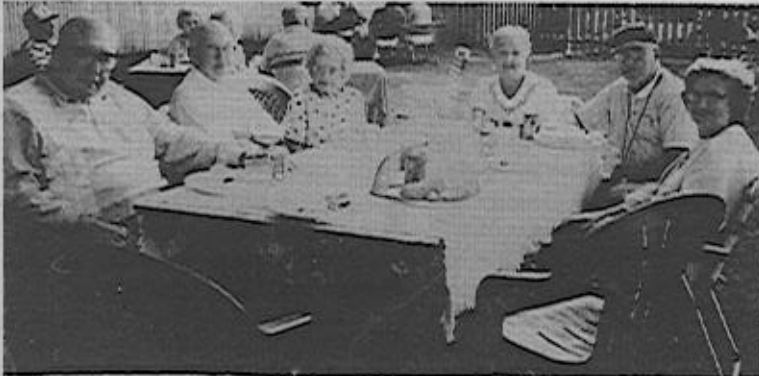
Attend Grotto Meetings

Thurs., October 3rd - Caldron Meeting 8:00 p.m.
Sat., October 5th - White Fez at Cartright's
Mon., October 7th - Board of Governor's Meeting Grotto Office 7:00 p.m.
Wed., October 16th - Fall Ceremonial Social hour 5:00 p.m., Dinner 6:30 p.m.
Mon., October 21st - Legion of Honor - Bosdyk's Rest. Social hour 5:00 p.m., Dinner 6:00 p.m.

Enjoy the Fellowship



Monarch Al Pulcino III and Charles White, of the Greeters, at the great picnic August 24th in the Monarch's back yard.



A few Prophets and their ladies at the Monarch's picnic. (Photos courtesy Ken Hutchinson)



The Prophets missing from this photo said that they were getting seconds for their ladies.

heard it was a fun group with many social activities.

They all came together as Lalla Rookh Grotto Prophets. There was one thing these men had in common. The one thing they all believed in and held in high regard was their membership in the Masonic Order.

Chief Justice

By Ken Hutchinson, PM
Our Monarch led us through a very busy Summer, from the Golf Tournament to our Grotto's various picnics, including the Farrab

Grotto's Picnic in Warren, PA. The Officers, Past Monarchs, and their ladies, were treated to a delightful day at Al and Shirley's, on August 24th. A fitting end to the Summer activities.

The ESGA Fall Convention will be history by the time you read this. Our very own P.M. Michael Bell will be installed as President on September 14th in Williamsport, PA. This is a very fitting way to start off our Grotto's Fall activities.

The Monarch's Ball

To our new Prophets, a word of explanation is in order. The Monarch's Ball is run each year to honor your Monarch. This is the last official party at which your Monarch will be the "Leading Light". Let's all plan to attend and make it a huge success to show Al our appreciation for the time and effort he has exercised this year for the good of the Prophets.

The date is November 2nd. All the particulars are in the accompanying advertisement. We have reserved a block of rooms at the Holiday Inn. Everything is under one roof. Monarch Al will have an after-glow party at 11:00 p.m.

Do not tarry! I would be personally gratified, as would Al and Shirley, if all who read this attended with their ladies.

I hope to see you all at the Monarch's Ball, November 2nd.

Caldron News

By Cecil Losinger, MCO
I hope you have all enjoyed the Summer and are ready for meetings again.

Those who attended the Grotto Cast Picnic had a very enjoyable time. Thanks for inviting us to enjoy the fellowship.

Condolences

Our Caldron is saddened by the passing of our beloved Daughter Ethel Hazzard. A Memorial Service and Eastern Star Service were held September 14th at the First Baptist Church.

Meetings

Our October Caldron meeting will be the 3rd. It will be Election and Report Night.

The White Fez meeting will be Saturday, October 5th, at Cartright's. Save these dates and make your reservations with Sue Wilson.

That's all for now.

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Master of Ceremonies

By Jerry Spero

We will have a busy meeting in October, which will be our Fall Ceremonial, as well as the nomination of officers for next year.

Our social hour starts at 5:00 p.m., with dinner at 6:30 p.m. The dinner choices are Swiss Steak or Chicken at \$8.00 per person and is by reservation only. The meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. Please phone me at 334-7616 or Al Pulcino at 225-8471 for reservations so there will be enough food for everyone. Don't leave reservations on the answering machines.

Clowns

By Uncle Al

All the same, nothing changed, nothing happened and no plans. This is the best Clown group there is! If you're looking for notoriety, this is the group to join and, oh yea, no dues, no meetings. That is more than I need to say and God Bless the USA.

DeMolay

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Elected Youth Leaders

International Master Councilor: Christopher W. Elko (New Jersey)
International Congress Secretary: Christopher R. Martin (Missouri).

Grand Line Elected Adult Leaders

Grand Master: Franklin J. Kell (Oklahoma)
Grand Senior Councilor: Frederick Welch (New Hampshire)
Grand Junior Councilor: Greg Kimberling (Idaho)
Grand Treasurer: James McGee (Alabama)
Grand Secretary: Joe Williams (Oklahoma)

DeMolay and Masonic leaders gathered at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial on March 30th for the unveiling and dedication of the new DeMolay display in Alexandria, Virginia. The new display features touch-screen technology. The touch-screen selection offers two Masonic videos and a DeMolay membership introduction.

Grand Master, Gregory Klemm, and International Master Councilor, Jason Polonsky, presided over the Dedication.

George Seghers, Executive Secretary of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, accepted the new display on behalf of the Memorial.

The display is great public relations for DeMolay. The Memorial has over 400,000 visitors per year, many of whom are Masons and their families. The Memorial also hosts many school groups of DeMolay membership age.

The DeMolay display was funded courtesy of a grant from the Shriners of Rhode Island Charities Trust Fund. The touch-screen technology was purchased with money donated from Lodge No. 9 of Philadelphia and St. Alban-Swain Lodge No. 529, F&AM, of Pennsylvania. Friendship-Bray Chapter DeMolay of Philadelphia donated a DeMolay flag and American flag with poles and stands for both ends of the display.

DeMolay has had a long relationship with the Memorial. In addition to it currently being used for Chapter meetings, DeMolay presented the bronze statue that is the centerpiece of the Memorial. The statue, standing over seventeen feet tall and weighing in at seven tons, depicts Washington as the Charter Worshipful Master of Alexandria Lodge No. 22.

The day it was dedicated, February 22, 1950, was noted as one of the most important days in the history of the Memorial. President Harry S. Truman, Past Grand Master of Masons in Missouri, presided over the dedication and gave the presentation address.

The Memorial, located in Alexandria, Virginia, is open to the public daily, except New Year's Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Admission and parking are free. Guided tours are available daily from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. The Memorial is disability accessible. Contact the Memorial at 703-683-2007 or online at www.gwmemorial.org for more information. While visiting the D.C. area, be sure to stop by the Memorial, a historical national monument with DeMolay ties.

Frank Kell Lives the Legacy of DeMolay Grand Master

Franklin J. Kell, native of Shreveport, Louisiana, current resident of Tulsa, Oklahoma, has been elected to the highest adult position in DeMolay International.

Grand Master. As Grand Master, Frank will serve as President of the Board of Directors of DeMolay International.

DeMolay, a youth leadership organization for boys between the ages of twelve and twenty-one, has Chapters all over the world. Through DeMolay, boys learn leadership skills, the value of community service, and a respect and love for parents, family and faith. Frank will play a key role in building on the foundation of DeMolay, while keeping the focus on the Youth that the organization serves.

Frank was elected Grand Master of DeMolay International on June 15, 2002, at DeMolay's International Supreme Council Session in Houston, Texas.

Frank's affiliation with DeMolay started in Louisiana in 1952. That year, Frank joined Shreveport Chapter and he has been involved ever since. In his youth, he was a State Master Councilor, the highest position a youth can hold at the State level.

Frank is still very active with DeMolay at the local level, as well as with Rainbow for Girls. He is one of only two who served as both State DeMolay Dad and State Rainbow Dad in Oklahoma. He has received the Advisor of the Year Award and holds DeMolay's Cross of Honor and Legion of Honor, as well as Rainbow's Grand Cross of Color.

Frank's fraternal affiliations include: Past Master of Jenks Lodge No. 497, AF&AM, Jenks, Oklahoma; 33° Scottish Rite Mason; member of Tulsa York Rite Bodies; AKDAR Shrine; Red Cross of Constantine; Past Patron of Red Fork Chapter, Order of Eastern Star; National Sojourners and Order of Amaranth. Frank will serve as Chairman of the Youth Activities Committee of the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma, 2002-2003.

Frank and his wife of 37 years, Vicki, are excited about his newest role in DeMolay. Frank's theme for the year is "Live the Legacy." He said, "Working with the youth keeps one hopping and thinking young. Having a positive influence on just one young person's life is a great joy!"

Frank Kell, Jr., can be reached for comment at fkell@de-molay.org.

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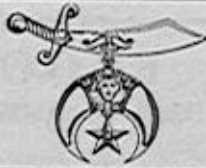
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Potentate - Harry E. Dainty

From the Potentate



Shrine
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Harry E.
Dainty
657-8068
Potentate

Now that Summer has left us, darkness is settling in earlier, the Fall colors have begun and the weather is cooling down. We have many good memories of all the Summer activities. It is hoped that your Summer has held as much enjoyment as Lady Nancy and I have enjoyed.

It has been great to see so many members at our meetings. We had 115 members at the September meeting. It is my hope that you will continue coming out for the meetings. Call a member and bring him with you. Remember to call in your dinner reservation.

Notice

If you do not have a dinner reservation you will be given a different color ticket and you will wait until all who have reservations are served. Also please note there is a new starting time for dinner and meetings. Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. and the meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. Please take note, as this is a half hour earlier than previously. I hope this will be convenient for all.

October events

We have a couple of good events ahead of us. October 12th a bus trip to Erie Hospital has been planned. All members are invited, especially new members and any of you who have not visited recently. There have been many changes in the past year.

October 19th is the Harvest Dinner Dance at the Shrine Center. From what I see of the plans right now, it will be a good evening. A Turkey Dinner with all the trimmings, and you carve the turkey right at each table. There will be good music for dinner and dancing.

Membership

We cannot forget membership. Do you have a petition to give a potential member if you are talking with someone about joining or if a Mason should ask for one? We are far below the seventy new members that we need to get above 1000. So let us try to have a big class for the Cold Sands in December.

People tell me, "Gee, you look good." There are three ages of man: youth, middle age and "Gee, you look good." *Red Skelton*

From the Recorder's Desk

By Erwin Newell, PP

I can't believe that the temperature today is in the 90's and it's past Labor Day. Remember, if you have not paid your dues as yet, dues are always due.

Ill. Potentate Harry Dainty is planning a bus trip to the Erie Hospital on October 12th. This trip will be a special one for all of us at Damascus. It was brought to my attention through the Erie Hospital Board that Past Potentate Clayton Kaul left a sizable

sum of money to the Erie Unit. At the time of our visit, a plaque will be unveiled in his honor. If you have never been to one of our Hospitals, this is the time to go.

Harvest Dinner Dance

Don't forget the Harvest Dinner Dance on October 19th at the Shrine Center. There will be an attitude adjustment hour, hors d'oeuvres, a Turkey Dinner with all the trimmings, dessert, wine at the table and a live band. Each table of eight people will have a whole turkey for you to carve. Leftovers can be taken home. Reservations are a must. Reserve your table of eight early. Don't hesitate, make reservations now.

Attention Club and Unit Officers

The office needs your help. Many of our Clubs and Units have asked the office to mail post cards for their meetings. You cannot wait until the "last minute" before the meeting to ask the office to mail out your cards. Therefore, I must request that your order form for your meeting notice be in our office one week prior to the date that you want the notices mailed (or 3 weeks before your meeting date.)

A tip of the Fez to all Nobles who have been using our new reservation line (585-671-6525). This has helped us considerably, as it frees up our main number.

Membership

By Bruce Chilton

By now I am sure you have all heard the exciting news that New York State has regarding the ONE DAY CLASS the Grand Master, M.W. Carl J. Fitje, has slated for March 29, 2003. While this is exciting, it should not hinder your desire to bring in new Nobles now. Approach your Brothers in the Blue Lodge and tell them of all the exciting events taking place at Damascus.

Tell them that when it comes to Philanthropy no one does it better.

Tell them that the budget for the 22 Children's Hospitals is \$630 million dollars and that no one does it better than the Shrine of North America.

Tell them that approximately 96 cents of every dollar that goes to the hospitals goes directly to patient care or research and 96% is one of the highest numbers in existence of any charitable organization.

Tell them that as Masons we constantly mention the fact that we spend 2 million dollars a day on charity and approximately 1.94 million of that is spent in the Shrine Hospitals.

Tell them that membership in the Shrine of North America this year has actually increased from below 500,000 to above 500,000.

Tell them that the policy in Damascus is to allow Blue Lodges to use the facilities FREE OF CHARGE if used for Masonic Education of its leaders.

Tell them that we have changed the meeting time to 7:00 p.m. to allow Nobles to return home earlier, or stay later for fellowship if they choose.

Tell them that if they have a desire to join now we can, and will, obligate them at any meeting or they can wait for a Ceremonial.

Tell them that the Shrine of North America was formed with the main

purpose of still having fun and that is true today at Damascus.

Tell them about the new addition that Damascus has added onto the facility at 979 Bay Road.

Tell them there are many different Clubs and Units available for them to enjoy and have fun.

Tell them to go with you to a Shrine meeting or to a Club or Unit meeting. Get them back into the habit.

Tell them about all the fun they are missing by not becoming active in Damascus.

Tell them why you are a Shriner and what you get out of it. Remember that the Imperial Potentate, Ill. Tad Claypool, is looking to every Noble to replace himself, and if we do, we will grow as a Fraternity.

TELL THEM THE STORY, NOBLES, AND THEY WILL SURELY COME!!

Mountain William Hillbilly Clan No. 162

By Cuzin Dayne Tharrett, PP

Our next gathrin will be at da Shrine Center on da 29th of September at 1:00 p.m. We'll be elevatin yus flatlanders to Papa and Mama Cuzins. Find a cuzin an get a petition or call me at (315) 462-3224 or da Shrine Center at (585) 671-7701. Cost a joinin is \$30.00 fur da Papas and \$20.00 fur da Mamas.

The Clan is planin a Steak Roast with all the trimins (no roadkill - it will be too hard ta keep it fresh.)

Reservations are a must. Please holler to me at home or at the workin place, (585) 458-1100 or Cuzin Henry Funk at (315) 539-8351.

Se ya soon at Clan No. 162.



By John Lindsay, President

The Lunch Club is looking for new members, and all Shriners, Masons and guests are invited to attend. Lunch is served each Monday at 12 noon, social hour at 11:00 a.m., and ladies are invited to join us every 3rd Monday. The price is right and there are no yearly dues. Come, sit down, enjoy, and play cards afterwards.

The next Ladies Day will be October 21st, starting with lunch at 12 noon. We are pleased to have a special guest with us who most of you know, Bill Hook. His subject will be the Masonic Home, "An Asset to the Region."

Sign in Chinese pet store
"Buy one dog, get one flea."



By Jean Friedrich, PQ

What a glorious Summer we have had! Zama Temple members relaxed a bit, traveling by bus to Niagara Falls in July to see "Oh, Canada, eh?" and playing golf at Shore Acres Golf Club on Lake Ontario. However, our Officers were busy making plans and

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rehearsing to be ready for our stated sessions and for our Supreme Queen's Official Visit.

First Lady

The Luncheon honoring Princess Nancy Dainty, the First Lady of Damascus Shriners, on September 28th, was a fun afternoon. Many of our members and their guests met at Marvin's Golf Club in Macedon, for a Silent Auction and a delicious Buffet. A very successful auction was conducted as a fundraiser by the Finger Lakes Nile Club.

Her Majesty, Supreme Queen Nancelyn Ross, of Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, will be making her Official Visit to Zama Temple on Wednesday, October 23rd. Our Ceremonial will begin at 3:00 p.m. at Fairport Temple. We hope that YOU will be there to meet this charming lady, and to support your Officers from the sidelines. The more the merrier! We need YOU to welcome our visitors from other Temples. Refer to your October Newsletter for details about this festive day.

Eat one live toad the first thing every morning and nothing worse will happen to you the rest of the day.

Monroe District HiLights, O.E.S.

DDGM
Rt. Wthy.
Barbara Bossert
225-0812



DGI.
Rt. Wthy.
John M. Lenzi
586-7492

We wish a speedy recovery to Rt. Wthy. Barbara Spano, who is ill with a bad case of the flu.

It's a busy time between October and December for all of us. I will list the District activities and I hope that many of our members will attend these events. Friends may also attend the District Banquet, Receptions, Harvest Dinner, and the Interfaith Service and Brunch. To bring a friend may also encourage that friend to become a member.

October 7th - Testimonial Dinner in Syracuse.

October 8th through 10th - Grand Chapter Sessions in Syracuse.

October 11th - Monroe District, A.R.S. District, Queens District, combined Breakfast in Syracuse.

October 16th - Neil's Amigos at Webster Lodge.



During the past Summer I have not engaged in any activities at the Canandaigua VAMC.

Coming events

On Sunday, October 6th, the first Ward visit for the Fall season will be made to Ward 8A.

On Sunday, November 10th, the second visit is scheduled.

No December visits are scheduled due to the special annual events in which our regular volunteers have participated for many years. The events are the Annual Holiday Gift Wrap Session on Tuesday, December 10th, and Holiday Gift Distribution on Sunday, December 22nd.

Drivers wanted

The Disabled American Veterans have an urgent need for volunteer drivers to transport veteran patients in the DAV special bus to and from the VA Outpatient Clinic on Westfall Road to the VA Medical Center in Canandaigua for treatment.

The need is urgent! If anyone is interested or wants information on volunteering, please telephone Dean L. Smith at 586-9298.

October 17th - Monroe District Past Matron's Association meeting at Clio Lodge.

October 18th - Irondequoit Chapter Harvest Dinner (open to the public) 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Fame Lodge.

October 19th - Reception for M. Wthy. Phyllis A. Spahn, Grand Matron, in Queens.

October 24th - Monroe District Banquet at The Party House on Beahan Road, at 6:00 p.m.

November 3rd - Interfaith Service and Brunch, 10:00 a.m. at Logan's Party House on Scottsville Road.

November 15th - Combined Reception for the 2003 Monroe District Grand Officers at The Party House at 5:30 p.m.

November 20th - Neil's Amigos at Clio Lodge.

November 28th - Happy Thanksgiving!

December 8th - Monroe District Christmas Party at 3:00 p.m., 3rd floor dining room, Downtown Temple.

If you need information on any of these events, please contact your Chapter Secretary or Matron, or phone me at 225-0812.

New Officers

Congratulations to Rt. Wthy. Neil E. Laundry, who will be installed as Grand Patron of the Order of the Eastern Star, State of New York, in Syracuse on the evening of October 10th. Congratulations to the other Grand Officers from the Monroe District who also will be installed that evening.

Wthy. Shirley Mercer, Grand Chaplain - Mary Jane Holmes Chapter.

Rt. Wthy. Donna Laundry, Associate Grand Marshal - Monroe and Mary Jane Holmes Chapters.

Wthy. Beverly VanHuben, Associate Grand Warder - Corinthian/Fellowship Chapter.

Wthy. Kenneth Milner, Grand Sentinel - Charlotte Chapter.

Wthy. Diane M. Dobbertin, Grand Color Bearer - Fairport Chapter.

Wthy. Helen Nopper, Necrology Committee - Monroe Chapter.

Wthy. Debbie Leipold, District Deputy Grand Matron - Rochester Chapter.

Wthy. William Mattern, District Grand Lecturer - Webster Chapter.

Wthy. Adella Evans, Grand Representative of the State of Washington - Germania Chapter.

Rt. Wthy. John Lenzi, DGL, and I, express to all the members of the Monroe District how very much each of you is appreciated. Because of you, we've had a successful year as you've supported us with your time, efforts, and your money. Together we've contributed to the projects of our Grand Matron, M. Wthy. Eva M.

Idzi, and our Grand Patron, M. Wthy. Walter Ottens.

Our Monroe District Walk-a-Thon was a success, with money received going to the Grand Matron's Special Project of Make a Wish for children with serious illnesses. Our Monroe District Project - Alzheimer's Research at the University of Rochester Medical Center, is continuing to be a wonderful success. This money for this project will be given at our Monroe District Banquet. We are still accepting donations for Alzheimer's Research, if anyone wants to make an additional contribution.

Thank you, everyone, for all that you've done.

Remember to let your LIGHT so shine, so that others may see our good works.

Rochester Chapter No. 314
Order of the Eastern Star
First Saturday 7:30 p.m.
Matron
Wthy. Dianne Johnson
352-3492
Secretary
Rt. Wthy. Barbara Mertens
442-0994
152 W. Commercial St. East Rochester, NY 14445

By Evy Ann Heller

As we enter October, the leaves are turning red, yellow and orange, and our year begins to wind down. September found us at our first meeting in our new location of East Rochester. It was also the first meeting back for Rt. Wthy. Karen Leipold. It was wonderful to have her with us. We had a great Past Matron's and Past Patron's evening.

Sickness and distress

Sister Norma Gingold and Sister Nancy Gingold have both been ill.

Rt. Wthy. Barbara Spano is having a bad bout with the flu, an ear infection, throat infection and acute bronchitis, all at once.

Sister Gail Caraballo is doing well. Wthy. George Bundoc has recovered from shingles. We need to keep all of them in our prayers.

October

We are almost at the end of the year. October brings us many things. Grand Sessions are October 8th, 9th, and 10th. Both the Worthy Matron and Associate Matron are looking forward to attending. If you want to attend the Installation of the Grand Officers on Thursday evening, the drive is not too far, only to Syracuse. It promises to be a wonderful evening. Monroe District will have a lot to be proud of and Rochester Chapter can be especially proud of our own Wthy. Debbie Leipold.

The District Banquet is on October 24th. If you plan to attend, please contact the Secretary as soon as possible. The deadline for reservations looms.

Our October meeting will be followed by a Baked Food Auction. As they say on TV, bid high and often. It will be a lot of fun.

Don't forget that the November meeting is in Ample Form.

Remember to keep up with the Dime Banking. It is surprising how much those little jars hold. Even if the jar is not full, every little bit helps. All Chapter monies must be turned in to the Secretary by our November meeting.

There will be craft sales in the Fall, so all you crafty people get in touch with Rt. Wthy. Audrey

Zufall and let her know what you can donate. She will need help manning the tables too, so call her and let her know when you can help. This is a team effort.

NOLATKA Chapter No. 320
Order of the Eastern Star
1st & 3rd Tues., 7:30 p.m.
Matron Wthy. Alice Hassett
889-4353
Patron Wthy. John M. Lenzi
586-7492
Sec. Rt. Wthy. Carol Wynings
594-4692
20 S. Main Street,
Churchville, 14428

Our first meeting of the Fall took place on September 17th, at 7:30 p.m. We celebrated our 2nd Chapter Birthday, as Nolatka, with a delicious applesauce cake, furnished by Rt. Wthy. Carol Wynings. Not only was it our Chapter birthday, but our musician, Wthy. Betty Reisinger (Corinthian/Fellowship Chapter) also celebrated her birthday that day, so this was a double special occasion. Apologies for the quantity of business which was transacted that evening, among which was the Matron's Report on Pilgrimage Days at Oriskany.

We appreciated Rt. Wthy. Doris Ray's attendance at that meeting. It's so great to see old friends. Rt. Wthy. Doris had contributed some craft items to our Crafts and Collectibles Booth at the Churchville Country Fair, for which we are grateful. You recall that Rt. Wthy. Doris' husband, Stanley, passed away last April. Rt. Wthy. Doris lives locally now, on Spencerport Road. Her phone number is 426-1707.

Our October 1st meeting is Advance Night, where the Associate Matron presides over the first part of the meeting. However, on this occasion, the Associate Matron will preside over the entire meeting, since I will be basking in warm Pacific waters on the Masonic Service Bureau cruise to Hawaii. For those of you who attended Batavia Chapter's Friendship Night last May, where I spoke about my "firsts," I have two more to add: my FIRST cruise, and my FIRST trip to Hawaii - both dreams I've had for years. Eastern Star membership has offered me so many fabulous opportunities. I have to thank my dear mother-in-law, Wthy. Thelma Hassett Roblee (deceased), of Attica Chapter, for giving me her Eastern Star Matron's ring, which I can finally wear, and for encouraging me to join the Star in 1995.

Our October 15th meeting, accidentally omitted from the Schedule of Meetings, is Friendship Night. We are looking forward to entertaining visitors from several other Chapters. We have in mind an enjoyable program for the evening.

Dues reminder and thanks

Don't forget to pay your dues. This year the color of the membership card is white. Send dues to Rt. Wthy. Carol Wynings, or phone her at 594-4692.

Sunshine

Wthy. Mary Jane Parry had successful cataract surgery on one eye on August 20th, and is looking forward to having the other eye done on September 24th. Our best wishes for another successful recovery, Mary Jane.

We regret to announce the passing of Dee Maxfield, age 55 years, on June 24th. Dee had held offices in our Chapter on several

occasions and had moved to the Wichita, KS, area a couple of years ago. Our condolences to her friends and family.

Birthdays

Celebrating birthdays in October will be Sisters, Joan Fingar, Joyce Hooker, Dawn Ireland-Monsees, Carol Pickworth, Wthy. Edith Lewis, Wthy. MaryAnne Sovocool, Wthy. Jean Webb, and Rt. Wthy. John Lenzi.

Committee

The Refreshment Committee for October meetings, also responsible for cleaning, is Chaired by Rt. Wthy. Billie Robinson. Sister Jane LaPree, Rt. Wthy. Carol Lang, Rt. Wthy. Diane Maltese, and Sister Dawn Ireland-Monsees are on the Committee.

Apologies

The Progressive Dinner with two other Chapters has never gotten under way. My fault. Too many other commitments on my part.

Upcoming events

Grand Sessions takes place in Syracuse, October 8 - 10th, followed by Rt. Wthy. Neil Laundry's Reception on October 11th at the Holiday Inn Airport.

October 24th is the Monroe District Banquet at The Party House on Beahan Road.

November 2nd is the East - West Luncheon.

November 3rd is the Interfaith Service and Brunch at 10:00 a.m. The cost is \$10.00 for the Brunch. It is at Logan's Party House.

Please add those dates to your calendar.

Webster Chapter No. 171
Order of the Eastern Star
1st & 3rd Tues., 7:30 p.m.
Matron
Wthy. Linda Zahn,
381-4241
Sec. Wthy. Faythe Mattern
594-4449
30 Orchard Street
Webster, New York

Just a few reminders as everything will have been covered thoroughly in the letter you received a week or so ago.

On October 1st, the Associate Matron and Associate Patron will be in the East. Please come out and give them something positive to look forward to for next year.

October 15th is a Pot Luck Supper, followed by our meeting with a report on Grand Chapter.

All other important October dates are found in your letter and also in the Grand Officer's article. The Secretary also has them available.

Thought for the month

Do not throw cold water on someone else's schemes;

Throw instead a lifeline, to help them with their dreams.

Anne Kreer

Canandaigua/Fenogowone Chap. No. 326 O.E.S.
2nd & 4th Weds.
Mat: Wthy. Leslie Smith
554-6715
Sec: Wthy. Shirley Wells
394-2778
Shortsville Temple

Can you believe this weather? As I am writing this it is 92°, in September! I love this, but before

we know it, it will be turning cold and snowy. We can still look forward to having more good weather with the turning of the leaves in October. This is one of my favorite months, because of the leaves and crisp days and nights. I hope we don't get any snow until December.

Past and present Grand Officers, make sure you send in your cards for seats at Grand Chapter, even if you won't be able to attend.

We will not hold a meeting on October 9th, as the line officers will be at Grand Chapter. Please join us for the October 23rd meeting. We will be having a Pot Luck Dinner, plus reports from Grand Chapter.

It doesn't seem possible that one more year has come and gone. It is time to wish our incoming Grand Officers of our District good luck. More on this in my next letter. Our Grand Patron will be from the Monroe District.

I hope to have a little surprise in our next newsletter.

If you have any items to include in our newsletter, let me know. I would like any news, good or bad, in order to keep our members informed.

I leave you with this:
On, grand chrysanthemum! You brighten Autumn days
Your Golden Faces brighten yards
And chase the gloom away.

(Author unknown)

Have a great October. Until next time...

In Memoriam

August

Henderson, Edwin M.
A 50 year member of Wakan/Hubbard Lodge No. 154, Eddie passed away August 28th. He is survived by his wife, Jean Marie.

September

Klein, Charles A.
The Great Architect of the Universe claimed Charles on September 11th. He was a member of Fairport/Flower City Lodge No. 476, Rochester Consistory and Damascus Shrine. He leaves his wife, Suzanne, 3 children, 8 grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

Ackroyd, William K.
William met his Maker on September 14th. He was a member of ERAC Lodge No. 163 and is survived by his 4 children, 12 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

The following deaths were reported with no specific information.

Kirst, J. Dennis
Hesperus Lodge No. 837 lost a member with the passing of Dennis in August.

Peel, Joseph F.
August 28th was the date that Joseph entered Eternal Rest. He was a member of Olive Branch Lodge No. 39.

Randall, Dorothy
Dorothy was called Home in August. She was a member of Canandaigua/Fenogowone Chapter No. 326, OES.

Lawrence, William C.
William lived in Arizona at the time of his death. He was a member of Wakan/Hubbard Lodge No. 154.

Irondequoit Chapter No. 572 O.E.S.
Annual Sauerkraut & Roast Pork Dinner
October 18th
Serving 5 - 7 p.m.
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Res. by Oct. 15th to:
Ramona Dimino 342-4893
or Barbara Bossert 225-0812

Masonic Activities Looking Ahead

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

2002

Nov. 3 Interfaith Service and Brunch, Logan's

Dec. 14 Grotto District Children's Christmas Party

2003

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Interfaith Service & Brunch- Logans, Nov. 3rd!

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Errata

The e-mail address for Joyce Zeh (MSAT) was incorrect in the September issue. The correct address is: chzezeh@citlink.net



Vagina Monologues

Tues.-Thur. 7:30 p.m.
Fri. - 8:00 p.m.
Sat. - 2:00, 8:00 p.m.
Sun. - 2:00, 7:00 p.m.

Tues. - Sun., Oct. 8 - 13

West Side Story

Tues.-Thur. 7:30 p.m.
Fri. 8:00 p.m.
Sat. - 2:00, 8:00 p.m.
Sun. - 2:00, 7:00 p.m.

Sat., Oct. 19

RTOS

Len Rawle

8:00 p.m.

Wed. Oct. 23

Lord of the Dance

Wed. - 7:30 p.m.

Legal Rights

Continued from page 2

yourself. If you let the officer search the trunk, and he finds the marijuana and gun, then you have incriminated yourself. On the other hand, you have the right to refuse the officer's request. At this point the officer has a choice.

If he still wants to search the trunk, then he has to go to a judge for a search warrant. To get a search warrant requires convincing the judge that the smell of something slightly sweet provides reasonable cause to believe that there are drugs in the car.

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To be continued...

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Webster Lodge, 30 Orchard St., Webster - Cap. 200 Dennis Gollasch, - 585-265-3993

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Walkers	184
Wheelchairs	111
Miscellaneous	7
Total	865

October Flower - Calendula
October Gem - Opal

Big Calendar October 2002

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2002 SEPTEMBER 2002 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	2002 NOVEMBER 2002 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	1 Charlotte/Corinthian Clio - Hilton (OV) Craftsman/Robertson Oakland - Castile Warsaw OES - Fairport, Monroe, Nolatka, Perry, Webster	2 Attica Drumlin Square - Palmyra Olive Branch - LeRoy Livonia Damascus Shrine OES - Henrietta	3 Constellation - Perry Hesperus - Bergen Northfield - Pittsford Phoenix - Dansville Webster (OV) Eunice Lalla Rookh Caldron	4 Webster Lodge Spaghetti Dinner 5 - 7 p.m., \$6, Child \$3 30 Orchard St., Webster	5 OES - Rochester Chapter East Rochester
6 Clio Lodge Spaghetti Dinner Weds. Oct 9th & 23rd East Avenue, Hilton	7 Canandaigua - Shortsville West Star - Varysburg RAM - Palmyra/Eagle OES - Etolian, Irondequoit, Germania, LeRoy Shrine Lunch Club	8 Arcade Batavia Craftsman/Robertson Fame - Irondequoit Monroe - Brockport Seneca - Webster Valley/Simes RAM - 3x3, Dansville, Wyoming OES - Leah - Hilton OES Grand Session	9 Churchville Oatka - Scottsville Triluminar - Pike No Masonic Service Bureau Meeting this month! OES - Batavia, Corinthian/ Fellowship, Canan- daigua/Fenogowone - Shortsville OES Grand Session	10 Eagle Valley - Bliss - Milnor - Victor (OV) RAM - Hiram, MEM KT - Batavia Commandery OES Grand Session	11 Webster Lodge Spaghetti Dinner 5 - 7 p.m., \$6, Child \$3 30 Orchard St., Webster	12 Masters and Wardens KT - Sagoyewatha Comm. Phelps Christopher Columbus' Birthday
13 National Children's Day Columbus Day Celebrated	14 ERAC - East Rochester Etolian - Spencerport Fairport/Flower City Mt. Vernon - Java Village Union Star - Honeoye Falls Wakan/Hubbard - Penfield(OV) RAM - Excelsior - Shortsville OES - Mary Jane Holmes, Charlotte Shrine Lunch Club	15 Charlotte/Corinthian Clio - Hilton Oakland - Castile (OV) Warsaw OES - Fairport, Monroe, Nolatka, Perry, Webster	16 Attica Drumlin Square - Palmyra(OV) Olive Branch - LeRoy Livonia Lalla Rookh Grotto RSM - Doric Council OES - Henrietta Grand Lecturer's Convention - G/W Hesperus Lodge	17 Constellation - Perry Hesperus - Bergen Northfield - Pittsford Webster Scottish Rite RAM - Western Star	18 Grand Lecturer's Convention - Livingston Avon Springs Lodge	19 Native American Day DDT The Sweetest Day
20 Arcade Lodge Pancake Breakfast	21 Canandaigua - Shortsville West Star - Varysburg KT - Cyrene/Monroe OES - Etolian, Irondequoit, Germania, LeRoy Shrine Lunch Club	22 Arcade Batavia Craftsman/Robertson Fame - Irondequoit Monroe - Brockport Valley/Simes OES - Leah - Hilton	23 Churchville Oatka - Scottsville (OV) Triluminar - Pike OES - Batavia, Corinthian/ Fellowship, Canan- daigua/Fenogowone - Shortsville	24 Eagle Valley - Bliss Milnor - Victor Lalla Rookh Caldron RAM - Hiram KT - Batavia Commandery OES District Banquet - Monroe United Nations Day	25 Caldron Installation	26
27 Daylight Saving Time Ends (Fall Back)	28 ERAC - East Rochester Etolian - Spencerport Fairport/Flower City Mt. Vernon - Java Village Union Star - Honeoye Falls Wakan/Hubbard - Penfield RAM - LeRoy Chapter RSM - Nundawaga Council OES - Charlotte Shrine Lunch Club	29 Grand Lecturer's Convention - Monroe Fairport/Flower City Lodge	30 Grand Lecturer's Convention - Wayne Humanity Lodge	31 Halloween		