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## SCOTTISH RITE WALK-A-THON BIG SUCCESS

By Norman Austin



Kelly O'Connor, (left photo) representing New York Governor George Pataki, presents a State Proclamation making October *Dyslexia Month* to Rodney Rittenhouse, Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Frank & Bette Paul 32° Masonic Learning Center for Children. Observing (from left) are Harold Aldrich, Deputy for the State of New York, AASR; Cyrus Kloner, Vice-Chairman of the Center; and Ann Kaczka, Director of the Center. Photo above shows the group of enthusiastic participants. (Photos courtesy Joseph Oelgoetz III)



The first annual Scottish Rite Walk-a-Thon to benefit dyslexia proved a success, with over \$5,000 raised. The Walk took place on the campus of Monroe Community College, with over 40 avid walkers of all ages taking part, with some from other areas, including the Valley of Buffalo. The Valley of Corning, and

several other sources, provided financial support. The weather, although cool and somewhat windy, provided a fairly comfortable environment for the participants. Ample refreshments were kindly donated by Wegman's Food Markets and Bruegger's Bagels, among other contributors. Each walker received a

long-sleeved t-shirt, and volunteers were outfitted with caps with the Walk-a-Thon logo emblazoned upon them. A sincere "thank you" is extended to all who assisted in any way to make this very worthwhile event the success it was. Hopefully, this can become an annual event with an increasing level of participation. x

## One of our best kept secrets? Camp DeMolay

By Skip Waterstreet



Half a dozen years ago, the Masonic Service Bureau received 18 acres of pristine lake front property near Sodus on Lake Ontario. Nestled in a semi-wooded area, there is a complex of buildings, which have been used over the years for a variety of activities. DeMolay boys have held camping programs and Triangle and Constellation girls have held sleep-overs as well. Scouting organizations also use the grounds for camp-outs. The Masonic Service Bureau is pleased to provide this facility to the youth organizations free of charge.

There are opportunities for other organizations and family groups to reserve the Camp for meetings or picnics. There is no flat fee associated with its use, but we gladly accept donations to help defray the cost of operating and maintaining the facilities.

When the property came into the hands of the Masonic Service Bureau, it was the hope

of our late President, R.: W.: Vernon L. Goodrich, that an established endowment fund eventually would be large enough to provide sufficient income to cover any necessary expenses or repairs. That fund is far from the goal, but does help. Other costs have been covered with the donations received from private parties using the Camp.

A great deal of work on the buildings and grounds has been completed by volunteers under the direction of R.: W.: Richard Snyder, Project Manager and Vice President of the Camp's Board of Directors. Trees have been removed, bathrooms have been upgraded and made handicap accessible, new doors and windows have been installed. Major repairs to roofs, the result of storm damage in 2003, were also completed.

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## New Grand Matron and Grand Patron Elected at Lake Placid Grand Sessions



M. Wthy. Ruth M. Howe  
Grand Matron



M. Wthy. Ronald W. Charron  
Grand Patron



At the Grand Sessions held in Lake Placid last month, Most Worthy Ruth Howe was elected Grand Matron and Most Worthy Ronald Charron was elected Grand Patron of the New York Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star. Monroe District's new Grand Officers are Right Worthy Janet Porter, District Deputy Grand Matron, and Right Worthy Roger Lynch, District Grand Lecturer. Additional Order of the Eastern Star articles are on page 17. x

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The Publications Committee of Grand Lodge held a seminar in Utica. I am a member of this Committee due to my position as editor of the *Masonic Times*. I'm not a particular fan of meetings. They are a necessary evil, but I avoid them whenever possible. However, I have been pleased with the discussions and information disseminated at the two sessions I have been able to attend so far.

It is uplifting to have Clarence Eckhoff, Chairman of CHIP, report on the successes achieved by Masonic Districts in increasing the number of children videotaped and how appreciative parents are when they receive the materials. My chest swells with pride when Gil Adams, Ira Cooperman and Angie Caiola report on the growth of the Masonic Care Community and the accolades our facility is receiving.

It is sad to learn that virtually all of the Masonic publications in the State, from *The Empire State Mason* down to the smallest of the District newsletters, are suffering from insufficient funds to do their intended job, and border on ceasing publication. None of us have a quick solution.

The status of the *Masonic Times* came abruptly to my attention as I prepared budget information for the Finance Committee of the Masonic Service Bureau. We have some outstanding invoices for subscriptions; we have increased postage and printing costs when I increase the paper to 24 pages; our circulation continues to decline on a monthly basis, which will result in less subscription income next year.

While David and I are working hard to make this periodical even better, we are faced with the realization that we must contain our costs. This will result in deeper cuts in some articles. We could use more help: volunteers to help in the production end; sales people to help obtain new advertisers; new ideas or suggestions! If you'd like to help, let us know. Thanks for reading.

## Fidelity Triangle No. 4 Public Installation of Officers and Term Dinner

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*A portion of the dinner proceeds will go to the Rose E. Scherer Scholarship Fund*

### Camp DeMolay Continued from Page 1

Brothers Ron Weber, Bill Guinup, Rene VanDeVeire, Jack Steinkamp, Tom Paglia, Gary Burke, Jim Cleason, Larry Canfield, among others, under the supervision of Camp Manager and President, Bill Hook, have spent many hours refurbishing the facilities.

Brother Tim McNelly sent the accompanying photos of a recent Boy Scout outing. Tents were set up in the area near Anderson Lodge, the main building. They also set up a mess tent to prepare their meals. Older scouts went on a

ten-mile bicycle ride, while younger boys hiked around Chimney Bluffs. The Scouts are frequent users of the Camp.

Why not consider holding your picnic or social outing at the Camp next year? The scenic drive along Lake Ontario is very enjoyable. Or you can take Route 104, for a little quicker trip. Either way, it's about the same as a trip from Webster to Henrietta, 40 minutes or so, depending on the traffic. It isn't as far as you might think!

Call the Masonic Service Bureau, 671-9730, for possible openings. The Camp is open from May until October.



### Masonic Care Community Speaks Out

The Masonic Care Community has formed a Speakers' Bureau. The purpose is to provide Masonic and non-Masonic groups and organizations with information about the Masonic Care Community, as part of a total Public Relations Program.

Research has shown that, over all, little is known about the three levels of care and the services that are provided on the Masonic Care Community campus. We feel this direct contact will further enhance our public relations effort.

The talks are generally 45 minutes, followed by a question and answer session. If any group would like to schedule a talk, please contact Angie

Caiola, Director of Community Relations at (315) 798-4768 between 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday-Friday. Our email address is: caiolaa@masoniccommunityny.org.

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Each year the *Utica Observer Dispatch* conducts a survey whereby its readers are asked to select the "Best of the Best" in various categories. This year we have been selected by the readers in the category of Assisted Care/Retirement Living as **Number 1.**



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# Unique Opportunity for Masons

By Donald Wright, JDGTC

As you took your Symbolic Degrees, you learned about King Solomon's Temple from the point of view of one of the two raw materials that were necessary to build it - stone. Along with the building block, you learned lessons relative to shaping (Rough Ashlar to Perfect Ashlar) that material, as well as moral teachings, related to the tools of the trade.

Of course, there are two paths (Scottish and York Rites) that are offered to us for further explanation of the foundation we call the Craft Lodge. These two paths, however, are still only related to the work of a worker in stone and the original lessons associated with that craft - and this is a good thing - but, not all there is to the story.

As you listened to the various lectures, you noticed that among the Three Principle Players in our beloved Ritual, there was a reference to another king, other than Solomon. This king, Hiram of Tyre, was the key, the link, and the supplier of a building material without which the stone construction would have been impossible. That material was the Tall Cedars of Lebanon.

Didn't you ever wonder that there might be more to the story (legend) than that taught in the two main lines (Concordant Bodies) of Masonry that we traditionally follow in our pursuit of Further Light in Masonry? Didn't you ever wonder if there might be a part of Freemasonry, somewhere, with which this important need of stonemasons (wood/lumber) is dealt? Didn't you ever wonder if you might ever be given More Light on this taken-for-granted portion of our symbolic teachings?

Well, if you are a Mason in the Monroe District, your days

of wondering are over! Within the framework of North America's authorized Masonic systems there is a little known Masonic Body, one of only two in New York State, which is located in the Monroe District. (The second one is on Long Island.) This Masonic Body has been right here amongst us for well over 50 years. This Masonic Body delves into the fascinating portion of the temple story that involves this second basic building material: cedar. Also, this Masonic Body has been right here amongst us all these years, holding meetings on the fourth Wednesdays at the Penfield (Wakan/Hubbard) Lodge building.

There was a time, back in the 1950s, when this Body was quite prevalent in our area. Today it is a wonderful group of Masons from all over Monroe County and surrounding areas which gathers monthly and enjoys Degrees related to the Tall Cedars of Lebanon. Here, in the Monroe District, we have what is called a Forest. Craft Masons meet in Lodges while Tall Cedars meet in Forests. Rochester Forest No. 133 of the Tall Cedars of Lebanon of North America is a wonderful place for sociable Masons who support one heart-warming charity.

Tall Cedars are part of our builder's background and heritage. Tall Cedars building efforts are in the area of attempting to help build a better life for children who are the victims of one of mankind's most debilitating diseases: Muscular Dystrophy.

If you have ever watched the Labor Day Telethon and seen "Jerry's kids" you have learned about the charity which the Tall Cedars support. Money raised for research and treatment of this insidious disease (MD) is aimed at building a better and, hopefully, longer life

for these child victims. Also, if you have ever watched the telethon long enough, you have noticed that (each and every year, without fail) two Masons (without Aprons), wearing Pyramid-type hats, appear on the National stage and present to Jerry Lewis checks of significant size for the Muscular Dystrophy Association's work. At this year's telethon alone, the Tall Cedars donated a total of \$480,000!

Most of what this writer watches on these telethons tugs heavy on his heart strings, but when the Pyramid Hats appear, this writer becomes happy and thinks: "Yes, I am proud to be a Mason and what this little corner of our Craft does to build lives."

You too, can be a part of this, because you are a Mason in the Monroe District. Masonry at work doing what it should: building. Pick up the phone today and call some of these prominent local Masons listed below and ask for a petition. You probably know one or two of them personally, anyway. All that is necessary to join us is to be a Symbolic Mason in good standing and desirous of becoming a part of a fellowship which goes beyond the fraternalism of Freemasonry. We enjoy fun, frolic, fellowship, and the good feeling that we are a part of something that helps "Jerry's kids."

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By Don Brugger, PTC  
 The success of our Pot Luck Dinner and Woodsmen Bring-a-Brother Night is undetermined at this time, but we are hopeful that some will have enticed at least one Brother to come along and see what the Tall Cedars is about.

**Coming events**  
 Remember, we will be performing the Degrees at our November 17th (third Wednesday) meeting. This will be an opportunity for those who have not received them to see our impressive Ritual. If you would like to participate in the portrayal of the Royal Court, let me know; speaking and non-speaking parts are available. We are counting on most of last year's cast to carry the weight, so brush up, you guys. If you need Ritual parts, just call. Our Annual Election of Officers will also be on that night.

**Membership**  
 If Rochester Forest is to survive and continue funding research to find a cure for Muscu-

lar Dystrophy, we must remain a viable organization. The news from our Scribe, Don Bell and our Treasurer, Paul Kober, is not good. It appears that about 25% of our members have not paid their dues for 2004. In an organization as small as ours, dues are very important to our overall cash flow.

The payment of our Annual Assessment to Supreme Forest is due in February, when the Annual Report is filed. More than half of your dues go to cover this annual expense. If dues are not received promptly, our cash reserve is diminished and we are liable for bank fees if our checking account balance is too low. The Forest has already paid the assessment for those in arrears for 2004. We cannot afford this needless expense. When you receive your notice, please remit your dues as promptly as possible and, if you are in arrears, please remit what is owed.

Our active membership is slowly dwindling, and the only way to fulfill our charitable objective and stay afloat is to increase our numbers. This makes it necessary for all members to talk to their fellow Masons, friends and neighbors about our Forest and what we are about; especially our charitable objective, support of the research to find a cure for Muscular Dystrophy. Be sure to read the article on Tall Cedars by our JDGTC, Don Wright, in this issue. Use

this as a resource in promoting membership.

If you have any friends, family, or neighbors whom you think would make good Woodsmen, give them a petition. If the prospect is not yet a Mason, encourage him to join our Fraternity and fulfill your obligation to Masonry and the Tall Cedars at the same time. Remember, new members can be obligated in Short Form at any regular meeting. Petitions are available from me at 458-6125. This is your Forest; if you want it to survive, we need candidates.

**Sickness and Distress**  
 Don Freeman's condition remains about the same. Paul Kober is making slow progress in his recuperation. These Brothers would like to hear from you; please send a card or call. Let us keep all these Woodsmen in our prayers. Please call me (458-6125), if you know of a Woodsmen with any problems.

**Listen up!**  
 We are still looking for a few good Woodsmen to volunteer for the Communications Committee. The Forest needs you for this important service. This would only involve making 3 or 4 calls, once a month. Join our Calling Committee and get back in the mainstream.

**Sauquoit Lodge and the Oneida Districts**  
 honoring  
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 Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons  
 of the State of New York  
**November 12, 2004**  
 Daniele's  
 Valley View Country Club  
 620 Memorial Parkway, Utica, NY  
**Cash Bar, 6:30 p.m.**  
 Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres  
**Dinner, 7:30 p.m.**  
 Semi-Formal Dress  
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### Communication

Communication and Public Relations are very important key programs which are being emphasized over the next two years. The *Masonic Times* is one excellent form of communication to keep our members informed of what each Lodge in the District is doing. It's important that each Master or Lodge PR liaison make sure that an article of some type is submitted to the *Masonic Times* each month. It's a communication that will certainly increase attendance at Lodge functions and it's already paid for. Members away from the area also look forward to receiving the *Masonic Times* to keep abreast of happenings in their home Lodge and District. Let's keep them informed.

### November Official Visits

The Official Visits for the month of November start with Warsaw Lodge on Tuesday, November 2nd, Election Day. On Wednesday, November 10th, we will be visiting Triluminar Lodge in Pike and on Wednesday, November 17th, Attica Lodge.

With our Visits around the Genesee/Wyoming District half completed as of this writing, both R.:W.: J. Michael Willwerth and I have thoroughly enjoyed our Visits and imparting Grand Master Trosin's Message. We thank you for your hospitality and look forward to future visits.

### Council of Masonic Activities

The Genesee/Wyoming Council of Masonic Activities is a District organization which doesn't often receive much promotion or get paid its due for the work it does. All Master Masons are eligible for membership with a minimum requirement of the Master and at least one appointed member from each Lodge. The Council works toward fostering cooperation of the District Lodges in promoting the best interest of the Fraternity. Council sponsored fundraisers provide funds for District activities, the Benevolence Fund and assist with the expenses of the District Deputy and Staff Officer. We also owe our thanks to the Council for compiling and publishing the Genesee/Wyoming District Directory, which lists the current Officers and members-at-large on the cover.

## Assistant Grand Lecturer



V.:W.:  
George R. Springett  
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Genesee/Wyoming District

Just where to begin, especially when there is so much to learn and understand about our beloved Ritual. An initial place to start is to have a candidate who will be spiritually inspired by all of the hidden mysteries and beauty therein contained in the allegories of our Ritual.

A definite way to start is by attending, with a prospective candidate, the Genesee/Wyoming District's Brother Bring-a-Friend Program. The plan is to hold a District-wide program for the benefit of all the Lodges, large or small, as a method to assist the Lodges in obtaining good men as new members within the Lodge. You, or a member of your Lodge, may have someone in mind whom you or they know may have an interest in Masonry, but are not sure how to explain Masonry to them. This may be the program you have long sought after to expand your Lodge. The program is designed to give these future Masons the opportunity to gain knowledge about the Fraternity and to talk to other prospective candidates and Masons.

The program will give them a better insight as to what we, as Masons, have to offer as in contrast with other men's organizations. It also affords them the opportunity to learn whom of their friends, neighbors, or associates, are members of the Fraternity.

Join with the District on Saturday, December 4th, at West Star Lodge in Varysburg, and bring those prospective candidates with you. The more men you bring, the greater the opportunity will be for future members. Don't forget to bring applications to your Lodge.

## Batavia Lodge No. 475



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Arrangements were made to have our candidate receive the Entered Apprentice Degree at Hesperus Lodge on October

28th. Some of the Lodge Officers assisted in the Degree.

### Essay contest

The Grand Lodge Committee on Youth is again conducting The Frank M. Totton Essay Contest. This contest is open to any high school senior who is the child or grandchild of a Master Mason or a member of their extended family, and who anticipates entering an accredited college in the Fall of 2005. The topic this year is "Who is your local hero, and why?" Prizes are: First, \$1500; Second, \$1000; Third, \$750; Fourth, \$500; Fifth, \$350; Sixth, \$250; Seventh-tenth, \$100 each. Information and entry forms are available by contacting the Worshipful Master.

All members of the Lodge who have email addresses are urged to communicate them to the Secretary or me. They will be placed on a list to be contacted with information of timely importance.

## HESPERUS Lodge No. 837



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During the September 16th meeting, the Brothers of Hesperus Lodge presented a check for \$2,700 to Crossroads House of Batavia. The Van Hulbert Golf Tournament is our major fundraiser and the proceeds go to the Crossroads House and other charities. Many thanks to everyone who participated in the Annual Golf Tournament.

### Congratulations!

The Lodge was honored to present Certificates and Pins to those Brothers with twenty or more years in Masonry. Not all were able to be present to receive their Certificates. The Lodge will mail or deliver their Certificates in the near future.

Twenty years - Donald Hargrave  
Thirty-five years - William Kent, Theodore Paine  
Forty years - Tracy Miller  
Forty-five years - Donald Stine, Marion "Toby" Tyler  
Fifty years - Holden Miller, Fred Dykins  
Fifty-five years - Gilbert Blue, Harris Wilcox  
Sixty years - Roy Chapell.

### Inspiring evening

The Official Visit of the new DDGM, R.:W.: Norman Steinbaugh was on October 7th. He was accompanied by his wife, Ann, and the GSB, R.:W.: Michael Willwerth. This evening was also planned to honor the Ladies of the Eastern Star and the Ladies of the Lodge. The evening began with a delicious dinner to honor these Ladies, prepared by our Junior Warden, Courtney Gale, and his committee.

The Ladies then went off to enjoy a fun time of Bingo at our local fire hall while the Brothers were being inspired by the speeches from R.:W.: Norman Steinbaugh and R.:W.: Michael Willwerth.

### Upcoming Dates

November 4th - this meeting is titled, Hobby Night.

There will be presentations by Brother James Hicks on radio controlled airplanes, Brother Donald Kunego on shadow and display boxes, and by Brother George Springett on Genealogy. There will be light refreshments available in the fellowship hall along with a question and answer time on your favorite hobby. Make plans to attend this meeting and, if you have a hobby you would like to share with the Brothers, bring it along. There is always room for more.

November 18th - the Lodge will be conferring the 2nd Degree at 7:30 p.m. on the new Brothers. At 6:30 p.m. a dinner will be served by the ladies of Hesperus Chapter, OES.

Remember, brotherly love is not a tangible commodity. We cannot touch it or weigh it, smell it or taste it. Yet it is a reality; it can be created, it can be fostered, it can be made a dynamic power. Promote this Brotherly Love with a glad hand; extend it to that new friend. As Master, I extend that glad hand to you, my Brother, in hopes of seeing you at our next meeting.

## Attica Lodge No. 462



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Sorry for missing the last issue, but I am back and full of news (I hope). Let me start with the Officers for the coming year:

Master  
Keith Counterline  
Sr. Warden Rich Luh  
Jr. Warden Paul McCullough  
Treasurer William Walters  
Secretary

Norman Steinbaugh  
Chaplain Donald Wagner  
Sr. Deacon Robert Kelsey  
Jr. Deacon William Staerr  
Sr. Master of Ceremony

Donald Strang Jr.  
Jr. Master of Ceremony  
Charles Lapp  
Stewards George Diehl  
David Hodgins

Marshal Andrew Snyder  
Tiler Jerold Brade

We will begin our monthly Pancake Breakfasts in November. They will be on the first Sunday of each month. Please make plans to stop in to see us on those days.

Our meetings are on the first and third Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m., and are open to all Master Masons. Again, please stop in to say "Hi."

I will be sending out copies of our trestleboard to all other Lodges for information.

Congratulations and good luck to our incoming District Deputy Grand Master, R.:W.: Norm Steinbaugh and Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.:W.: Michael Willwerth.

## District Deputy Grand Master Livingston District



R.:W.:  
Roy W. Moses  
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My, how time flies! It seems just like yesterday that I wrote the last column for the *Masonic Times*. It has been an exciting month in the Livingston District. I have started my Official Visits and been warmly welcomed in the Lodges. The word "Brotherhood" is very much a part of the Lodges in this District.

### Dedicated Masons

Congratulations to all the recipients and Masters of the Symbolic Lodges' Recognition Awards on October 21st. I know all the recipients justly deserved this honor. Their dedication and service to the Fraternity are what make this brotherhood the greatest Fraternity in the world.

### Let's be number one!

W.: Joe Shanks, our Brotherhood Chairman, reports that all is going well in the Livingston District. He reminds all to send in your donations so that Livingston can be the number one District in the State again this year.

### Successful program

October 12th - 15th, our annual Child ID was held in all the District schools. Our number increased to over 19,000 since the program was implemented. I thank Brother Ray Ellis, R.:W.: Gene Flint, and the Livingston Sheriff's Association, for their efforts in this worthwhile program.

Under the Student Assistance Training Program, I have heard from Livonia Central School that they have signed up teams of participants for all the scheduled programs. I hope to hear from more of the schools.

I remind all the Masters to review the awards associated with the Grand Lodge Committee for Youth. These are awards that can get our Lodges recognition in the community.

The Scholarship Awards can also help with a student's tuition. I'm certain that you, as parents, can use this assistance.

On September 21st, R.:W.: Richard Trescott and I traveled to Nunda Station Lodge for the presentation of the Dedicated Service Award and two 40-year Awards. R.:W.: Trescott has the details in his column. My congratulations to these worthy Brothers.

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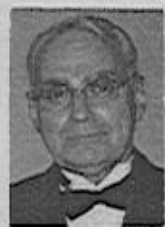
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## Grand Sword Bearer

Livingston



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As Grand Sword Bearer, on September 21st I accompanied R. W. : Roy Moses to Nunda Station Lodge, where we took part in an Awards Night. We participated in presenting a Dedicated Service Apron, Certificate and Pin to W. : Clarence Bogartus, whose dedication to the Craft and diligent efforts earned him this great honor.

We also assisted in presenting R. W. : Philip Cox and W. : Charles Duryea, 40-year Service Certificates and Pins. There was also a 35-year Service Certificate and Pin for W. : Keith Shoemaker, who could not be present.

The Master, W. : Robert Cox, is the son of the recipient R. W. : Philip Cox. It was a great honor for me to be allowed to be part of this program! I hope there are many more of them!

I would also like to say a few words about the Shepherding Program! We need to involve the new candidates from the time they fill out a petition to the time they take an office or commit to become personally involved in the Craft!!

We must not allow a new candidate or newly made Brother to fall by the side, even if it means that we communicate with the new Brother over the Summer to help him with any problems that he might have. We all have sworn to help, even if the chairman has to assign more than one Brother to assist him! We must not let them lose interest or think that the Lodge has little interest in them. So, please, for the good of the Craft, Worshipful Masters, accept the Shepherding Program Chairman position and make sure there are no lost Brothers. Help them as much as possible and see if there is anything that you or your authority can do to be sure that they are not lost! I would also like to remind the Masters of the Ritual Talent list they are to send me. Please get it to me ASAP.

On October 1st, I had the honor to represent R. W. : Roy Moses, who regrettably was not able to attend, at Ontario, Seneca, Yates District Apron Presentation for the new DDGM, Staff Officer, and Assistant Grand Lecturer. At the same time, there were Awards for Service and a special Certificate for a Brother who turned 101 years old. Also attending was our Senior Grand Warden, R. W. : James Sullivan. I was impressed with the District presentation and the dinner.

## Eunice Lodge No. 830

1st Thursdays  
7:30 p.m.



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Hello Brothers, and welcome to a beautiful New York State Fall. My wife and I went for a drive the other day and really enjoyed the colors that the trees were giving us. Things are shaping up around here, as well as at Eunice Lodge. I'm very encouraged by the work we've done so far and the direction in which we are heading. I can't tell you how nice it is to see Brothers enjoying some quality time together, outside of the Lodge room.

We had a wonderful light-fare dinner, consisting of the remains of the pulled-pork from our stand at the Air Show in Geneseo. Brother Rick Lafave and W. : Floyd Manley put together the dinner and many commented how perfect it was for the occasion. Even though we were dressed in suits and tuxedos, the casual air of the dinner lent itself to some great conversation among Brothers. We also had a couple of late-comers to dinner and I feel it made them a little more comfortable knowing that they just needed to go up and "help themselves." Thank you to all who attended.

The October communication was also our Official Visit from the District Deputy Grand Master, R. W. : Roy Moses. Also attending with him was the Grand Sword Bearer, R. W. : Richard Trescott. After completing Lodge business, the gavel was turned over to R. W. : Moses, who gave us some encouragement along with the Grand Master's Message. It was nice to hear that many of the things R. W. : Moses and R. W. : Trescott were talking about were things that we are already trying to do, or have on the agenda to get done during this year.

I thought there were a few points that stood out in my mind more than others. First, congratulations to Eunice on the great outpouring of help to our cause in the Brotherhood Fund. Our District was top in the State and Eunice was one of the top in the District, with a 62% showing. I'm encouraging you to do again in the same manner. Let's get those envelopes sent back to R. W. : Oberer as soon as possible.

Second was the message that membership retention is as important as new membership. I think the things we are trying to do here at Eunice will get some of you back to Lodge more often. Let's work together to achieve the goals of the Fraternity. The important thing is to do something!!

### Sickness and distress

Our thoughts and prayers go out to R. W. : Eugene Hill, who lost his sister. I know we were all glad to see Gene at Lodge the other night and our thoughts and prayers go out to him and his family.

We have two candidates for this coming year. The Investigating Committee has already given a report on one and will be giving the report on the other at the November meeting. I am giving you due and timely notice that Lodge will be opened at 6:30 p.m. on November 4th. We will open, break for a light dinner, then reconvene for business, including the committee recommendation on the second candidate. At that time, we will vote on the candidates and, if favorable, will confer the 1st Degree. We have volunteers for some parts, but are still in need of more help. Anyone, who would like to help out, please give me a call.

There was a Brother Bring-a-Friend Night at Eunice on October 29th. There were a few speakers and information available about our Fraternity.

Our next community project is going to be a Pancake Breakfast on Election Day. We are looking into possibly renting space at the fire hall, figuring the stairs might be an obstacle to people attending. If you have any ideas, they would be appreciated. Brother Brian Pease is heading up the committee. Call him if you want to help.

We will now be holding Temple Club meetings after the regular communication. For all of you who want in on the things being done, please attend. They don't take long and the more of us who are involved, the easier it will be to get things done.

In closing, I want to say again how great it is to have more of you around and helping to make Eunice a more "fraternal" place to be. Hopefully, we'll see more of you as the year progresses. I think we are making great strides, but no one can do it alone. Remember, the important thing is that you do something, anything, as insignificant as it might seem. The more of us who do something, the easier it will be to complete the goal. Hopefully, I'll see you along the way.

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I had the opportunity to visit Eunice Lodge with R. W. : Roy Moses on his Official DDGM Visit. I am pleased to say that I had a delightful time visiting with the Brothers from Eunice Lodge. They certainly know how to make a visiting Brother feel at home.

We hosted the Grand Lecturer's Convention for Livingston District here in Union Lodge. We all had a very interesting time. For all the times

that I have gotten the chance to practice the Balloting process, I am still learning new things. I thank all the Brothers who were able to join us and special thanks to R. W. : Edward Gilbert for coming to Lima and presenting us with the latest Ritual news from Grand Lodge.

### Wonderful time

My wife and I had a wonderful time in Buffalo attending the Grand Master's Ball at the Marriott. This was her first chance to participate in a State level event; she was very impressed and I can willingly report that I was, too. We spent the weekend there and made the trip a dual visit with our son who is attending the University of Buffalo. We celebrated his birthday on Sunday. One could claim that it was a "Party Weekend" for us.

### Working together

Depending upon when the *Masonic Times* arrives at your door, this may or may not be a timely reminder: our Master Mason Degree is Thursday, October 28th. We will be having a dual Lodge Degree with our Brothers from Phoenix with their new Fellowcrafts.

The Degree will start at 7:30 p.m. and our dinner is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. I will be presiding in the East. I am looking forward to the evening and getting to work with my Degree Team.

### Table Lodge

We will be holding our Second Annual Table Lodge at Union on Thursday, November 18th. Our last Table Lodge was such a huge success that we are going to try it again. All the Brothers in attendance at our last one had a wonderful time and have already told me that they are looking forward to our next one. If you would like to join us at this festive board, please let me know and we can reserve a ticket for you at the door. We will be limited in numbers and space, so please do not wait until the last minute.

## Livonia

Lodge No. 778

1st & 3rd  
Wednesdays



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Since this is my first column to appear in the *Masonic Times* this Fall, there is much to report for Livonia. Immediate Past Master, Chuck Sawyer, planned a few Chicken Bar-B-Que's during the Summer. Charlie's Chicken provided the food, while we did the serving. Those Brothers and wives who worked were: Ron and Suzie Baylor, Dick and Vilma Trescott, Steve Shull, Gordon Wingate, Keith Alexander, Ray Woolston, Chuck and Laural Sawyer and myself. We realized over a thousand dollars at the Livonia Days weekend, thanks to our workers.

I joined Roy Moses and Lee Shanks in support of the Child ID Program of the Masons of the State at the State Fair. We worked August 30th, and had firsthand experience in un-

derstanding the system used by Grand Lodge. Their program is good, but very time consuming to administrate. Each child's parents receive a laminated card to keep. It has basic information, including a photo of the two index finger prints. A video, with an interview of the child responding to questions, adds to the program.

The system we use, pioneered by Brother Ray Ellis, investigator in our County Sheriff's Department, gives police more evidence to identify a lost child.

We provide the child with a book for the parent to keep in the refrigerator. In it is a place for a current photo, special health data, ten fingerprints and two palm prints. Also, in the book is a bite print of the teeth, and a DNA sample. The parent keeps this book in the freezer for police to use if necessary. Loyal Mason, Gene Flint, organizes the work each year for the schools in Livingston County. Every Fall, we do the kindergarten, and any new students who move into the school. The Sheriffs and village police assist in doing the fingerprints. Brother Flint reports that nearly 20,000 children in our county have been given a book with this information.

### Congratulations

Our Lodge is honored to have R. W. : Dick Trescott as Grand Sword Bearer. We presented him with his Apron in September, when DDGM, R. W. : Roy Moses, made his Official Visit to our Lodge. We are proud of our District leaders. They are stimulating much interest.

Brother Harold Sachs and W. : Chuck Sawyer received the Symbolic Lodge honors from the Scottish Rite at ceremonies on October 21st.

### Degrees

We are receiving petitions for membership. A 1st Degree is planned in November. We have one Brother waiting for his 2nd Degree.

## District Deputy Grand Master

Ontario/Seneca/Yates District



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At this writing, nearly half of the Official Visits have been completed. I am pleased that many of the District coordinators have been present and have given excellent presentations. R. W. : Herb Goodman and I have enjoyed good ritual, wonderful fellowship at all of the meetings, plus some great food.

I only know of two Lodges which have planned a Brother Bring-a-Friend Night. Those Lodges which do not have one planned should do so. If help is needed, please contact R. W. : Bruce Huie, who is ready to assist.

For the first time in the OSY District, the *Road to the East* has been given on Monday nights. This Fall, eight Brothers have taken the Course un-

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**DDGM Eldon White**  
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der the direction of the Grand Steward, R.:W.: Herbert Goodman, with the assistance of R.:W.:s James Rice, Clayton Ruggles and myself. This has allowed Brothers who are not available on Saturday mornings to take this Course. The Masonic Development Course will be offered after the first of the year.

A reminder that the \$9.50 increase in Grand Lodge dues must be paid in 2005; if Lodge By-Laws are not written to reflect this increase, it can be very costly to the Lodge. This should serve as a reminder that By-Laws must be reviewed and updated regularly and all members need to have a copy so that every Brother is aware of Lodge regulations.

Masters and Secretaries have received the material for the Dedicated Service Award. This is an opportunity to recognize a Brother who is a "worker" in your Lodge. Please send this information in as soon as possible. Only three Brothers can receive this Award in the OSY District.

The Traveling Gavel is at Ark Lodge. It has been there for some time; make your plans to capture it. The Traveling Trowel is at Rushville Lodge. They must take it to another Lodge or it will get expensive: \$10.00 a month to the Brotherhood Fund. Check the website, [osydistrict.org](http://osydistrict.org); the location of the Gavel and Trowel will be posted. If any Lodge has information they want publicized, contact R.:W.: Bob Ruggles to be placed in local publications and R.:W.: Ken Hall to be posted on the website.

**Assistant Grand Lecturers**



**Ontario/Seneca/Yates District**

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As we head into the month of November, we would like to remind the Lodges in our District that they should have received their edict Degree forms. V.:W.: William Valois and I have been very busy delivering these forms to all the Lodges. My Brothers, this is the Degree edict that was issued by Past Grand Master, M.:W.: Fitje, and must be carried out. We would also remind our Lodges that this includes Historical Lectures, Q&As, and Whys and Wherefores. We will be available as we learn of these Degrees.

We would also like to take a moment to thank the our District leaders and the Masonic Charities Association for all the courtesies that were extended to us while attending the Apron Presentation, held at the Waterloo Holiday Inn on October 1st. What a wonderful evening it was.

My Brothers, another very important date is fast approaching. That is the Grand Lecturer's Convention, to be held Thursday evening, No-

vember 4th, at Pocahontas Lodge in Seneca Falls. We would like to see all Lodges in our District present for this most important event.

Just a reminder to all Masters: to be eligible for the Potts Award, you must have in attendance the Master, Senior and Junior Deacons, Senior and Junior Wardens, and both Masters of Ceremony and they must be the elected Officers of the Lodge. The work of the evening will be the Hiram Legend. Some Lodges have been asked to do a little more this year, but we are confident that they will have no problem doing this. Please let us know how many of your Lodge members plan on attending, as dinner reservations will be needed. Let's all make it a priority to attend and get that Potts Award.

In closing, we would like to make it clear to all our Lodges, that your Assistant Grand Lecturers will be available to assist with any Ritual problems that you may have.

Hope to see you both in Lodge and at the Grand Lecturer's Convention.

**CHARITIES**

The Ontario/Seneca/Yates Charities Corporation event was held at the Waterloo Holiday Inn on October 1st. Officers' Aprons were presented to: R.:W.: Eldon White, District Deputy Grand Master; R.:W.: Herbert Goodman, Grand Steward; V.:W.: William Valois and V.:W.: John Walti, Assistant Grand Lecturers. The E. Platt Soper Award was presented to George Stanton, Jr.

R.:W.: Kenneth Brush was recognized for his 101 years of life and acknowledged for his 60 years of Masonic service.

The featured speaker for the evening was R.:W.: James Sullivan, Senior Grand Warden.

Everyone had an enjoyable evening.

**Garoga-Sincerity Lodge No. 200**



1st & 3rd Tuesdays

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Our second meeting in September featured an Official Visit from R.:W.: Eldon White, DDGM. His traveling staff included: R.:W.: Terry Leonard, R.:W.: Herbert Goodman, and V.:W.: William Valois. His message from the Grand Master highlighted Masonic membership, keeping the members we have, and attaining new members. The Brother Bring-a-Friend Program was mentioned as a successful program and is headed up by Brother Bruce Huie. Brother Huie has made himself available to supply help and guidance any way needed.

The Child ID Program has been, and continues to be, successful. If it helps save one child, isn't it worth it? You bet it is. When there is a Child ID Program in session in your area, be sure to have your family and friends take their

children for a free 1-5 minute videotaping. Do it yearly.

Our flagpole, sign, and landscape projects are completed. Thanks to Larry Gelder Electric for his fine touch. Thanks to Jean Day for her generous contribution and hiring her friend, Wendy Rockefeller of Emerald Gardens.

Thanks, also, to Brother Ray Howard for the fine electrical work on our parking lot lights to make them work properly.

We take for granted our dedicated groundskeepers. These Brothers do a fine job: Bob Bird, Pete Adams, Paul McIntyre and others. We would surely miss this important service if it were to cease.

By the time this is read, we will have had our Pork Chop Bar-B-Que, and I thank Brothers George Landstrom and Ronald Galens for coordinating it. Thank you to all who worked and helped with it.

I am encouraging all my Officers and Master Masons to attend the Grand Lecturer's Convention at Pocahontas Lodge, Waterloo, on November 4th, at 7:30 p.m. It will be a great learning experience, as it always is. We may also bring home the Potts Award, providing we have the necessary Officers present (Master, Wardens, Deacons, and Masters of Ceremony).

At some point in time, I will be contacting every Brother who can be reached, to extend personal greetings.

Let's keep our Troops in our thoughts and prayers.

Happy November Birthdays to Brothers:

- |                   |      |
|-------------------|------|
| Otis Davis        | 1st  |
| Stephen Phillips  | 1st  |
| William Sergeant  | 3rd  |
| James D. Allen    | 8th  |
| Donald Henning    | 10th |
| Richard Hamelinck | 15th |
| Robert Bird       | 30th |

The following Brothers were raised in November:

- |                  |          |
|------------------|----------|
| Ronald Galens    | 11/20/01 |
| William Smith    | 11/20/01 |
| Donald Romeiser  | 11/20/01 |
| Paul McIntyre    | 11/20/90 |
| Clayton Ruggles  | 11/20/90 |
| Paul Scherbyn    | 11/20/90 |
| Daniel Guth      | 11/03/81 |
| Gary Yancey      | 11/03/81 |
| Wm. Peterson     | 11/12/81 |
| Terrence Mays    | 11/13/75 |
| Jack Resnik      | 11/14/74 |
| Keith Andrews    | 11/09/72 |
| Tho. Pardington  | 11/09/72 |
| Elliott Schocken | 11/09/72 |
| Donald Fridley   | 11/15/55 |
| Charles Romeiser | 11/14/46 |
- Congratulations.

**Ark Lodge No. 33, F. & A.M.**

3rd Wednesdays



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Perhaps this Master's message is not the place to pose a question as to how to become a Master Mason. Please pass this message along to someone you think might be interested.

For the man who is looking for a deeper meaning in life, a man who wants to be part of a fraternal organization committed to his growth and improvement, Freemasonry is filled with marvelous opportunities and limitless possibilities.

The first step in Freemasonry is one a man must take for himself. He must say, "I want to become a Mason." What follows should be a thrilling, exciting and extremely worthwhile journey. The big question is, should I ask the person whom I feel should be a Mason? You should ask, as this is your voice in Ark Lodge and Freemasonry to make Masonry grow in the community.

Let's point out the Masonic commitment to one's character. Many years ago, the famous Dr. Albert Schweitzer wrote these magnificent words: "It is not enough merely to exist. Everyone has to seek in his own way to make his own self more noble and to realize his own true worth." These words capture the meaning of Freemasonry. Our goal, as Masons, is to build a man's most valuable possession, which is his character.

We Masons believe that the strength of the family, church, community and our country, rests with men of strong conviction, firm ethical and moral values, and devotion to our democratic system of government.

Masons are concerned with developing their minds and enlarging their scope of Masonic knowledge. In a word, Masons are dedicated to becoming better men and Masons. To build his own character is at the heart of being a Mason; to ask and make a request of someone you know is at the heart of a person to become a Mason. We Masons are proud of our centuries of Masonic history and tradition and Ark Lodge is proud of its 197 years of service to the Geneva community.

In the years ahead, we would like future generations of Masons in Geneva to believe we in Ark Lodge cared enough to do what was right for our Brothers, right for our Lodge and community.

We can do no less!

**Masons meet, act and part**

Brother Lloyd Johnson sent me a letter and the list of Officers installed at Ark Lodge on January 22, 1945. He said, "I respect all the Brothers of Ark Lodge who keep up with the traditions of Freemasonry." Thank you, Brother Lloyd, for all you have done for Ark Lodge.

Please pray for the good health of the following Brothers: John Stelter, Harry George, Robert Inscho, Bill Kashouty, Lloyd Hilimire, Raymond Baroody, and Arnold Schofield.

**Congratulations**

Ark Lodge Pins were awarded to the following Brothers: William Dobbin, 10 years; Thomas Fountain, 15 years; Dayne Tharrett and David Foster, 20 years; Paul Peters, 25 years; Robert Kane, 40 years; Harold Comstock and James Richard Hart, 45 years; Max VanScoten and Stanley Welty Jr., 50 years; and Raymond Smith, 55 years.

God bless you for your many years of devoted and dedicated service to Ark Lodge!

Ark Lodge's Red Cross Blood Drive was held at the Presbyterian Church in September. Over seventy people donated blood.

I received a phone call from Dr. William Sempter, Oxford, England, who is a Masonic his-

torian. He is doing a research paper on the connection between Brother DeWitt Clinton and the Erie Canal. He wanted information about Brother Dr. Stelter and the many Masonic research papers he did on DeWitt Clinton and the Erie Canal. I see Dr. Stelter every week and gave him Dr. Sempter's request.

**November dates**

4th - Grand Lecturer's Convention at Pocahontas Lodge. Dinner, 6:30 p.m.; meeting, 7:30 p.m.

13th - OSY Association meeting at Pocahontas Lodge.

17th - Ark Lodge communication - program to follow.

**Milnor Lodge No. 139**

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Brothers, on behalf of Milnor Lodge, I extend my congratulations to Brother Jack Garlock, on becoming a duly elected member of the Lodge. Brother Garlock joins us from McKean Lodge No. 388 in Pennsylvania.

Speaking of new Brothers, I intend to have a Brother Bring-a-Friend Program on December 16th. I would like all the Brothers of the Lodge to start thinking about prospective candidates, someone whom you think would make a good Mason. The Lodge will have an Action Team that you may call and give the names of prospective candidates. This should be done as early as possible, so the Lodge can send invitational letters to the prospective candidates.

**Dues**

Sorry to say this, but our Lodge dues are increasing. The Grand Lodge has increased our assessments by \$9.50. Milnor Lodge By-Laws state that we must meet that increase, which will be added to our present Lodge dues, making the total \$56.00.

Our meeting on September 23rd was a program on Masonic Etiquette. R.:W.: Terry Leonard gave an excellent talk, in which he explained different types of Masonic Etiquette.

**Great honor**

On October 1st, at Waterloo Holiday Inn, the Ontario/Seneca/Yates Masonic District held its Apron Presentation. The Master of Milnor Lodge had the honor of presenting R.:W.: Eldon White his Apron. The guest speaker was R.:W.: James Sullivan, Senior Grand Warden. This was a very enjoyable occasion!

On October 14th, our Lodge hosted a dinner at 6:30 p.m., followed by a regular Lodge meeting at 7:30 p.m.

**Give to the Masonic Brotherhood Fund Campaign**



## Grand Sword Bearer

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The Lodge year is off and running. Official Visits are scheduled, training programs are prepared and our social events plotted.

On November 13th, we will present the *Road to the East Course* at Humanity Lodge in Lyons. The session will begin promptly at 8:30 a.m. and be a full-day session, with a working lunch. The cost will be \$35.00 per attendee and will include your lunch.

Participants will need to bring a copy of the *24 Inch Gauge*, a sample trestleboard and a sample newsletter. No certificates will be awarded without completion of the above.

At present, we are expecting in excess of 30 Brothers to attend.

### "Masonic Development"

The Masonic Development Course will be presented after the first of the year. This is a very interesting program, both for new and old members. Our newest members are always delighted to receive so much Masonic knowledge and we old-timers are surprised by the things we don't know or understand. Plan on attending.

The Grand Lecturer's Convention, which was held at Sodus Lodge on October 27th, was also a great way to improve our Masonic education. The afternoon session was a great time to ask questions regarding our Ritual.

Lastly, mark your calendars for December 11th, when the Grand Master will visit Drumlin Square Lodge for a "Just Chat" session. Having worked with our Grand Master for three years, I can tell you that he is both knowledgeable and very approachable. Bring your Masonic questions to this event and get an answer directly from the top.

I look forward to seeing each of you in Lodge and at our training sessions.

in all of our Lodges, so that we do not continue to make the same mistakes.

We need to be patient and forgiving, rather than frustrated and indicting. It does no good to chastise or talk negatively about a Brother perceived to be falling short. The Five Points of Fellowship teach us to support a Brother who might be falling by whispering wise counsel in his ear. Yet, we tend to deviate from the Ritual that we hold in such high regard. I ask that as we endeavor to rejuvenate this organization, by reframing our belief systems from a criticizing position, to one of supporting the strengths of every individual Brother. I firmly believe that we all have something to offer and want to do something good.

During my travels I have discovered that the numbers of Brothers involved in combat increases. I mentioned W. Joseph Gingold (Valley/Simes Lodge) in my last article. I would also like to mention Brother Jason Sheerens, a newly raised Master Mason, (Fairport/Flower City Lodge) and Brother Nathan Thompson (Clio Lodge). Please keep these Brothers in your thoughts and prayers. Send cards and letters to the Secretary of their respective Lodges.

### Please vote

As a citizen of this great nation, it is your responsibility to participate in the selection of the leadership for this country. Many have died in pursuit of this important privilege. However our politics may differ, we are joined together as Brothers, leaders, and responsible men. Let's not let those who have been called to arms, and have died, have done so in vain.

It would be wrong if I didn't acknowledge the hard work demonstrated in this District. CHIP is alive and flourishing. We have enjoyed two District Child ID events in downtown Rochester. Individual Lodges have also been providing CHIP Programs throughout the District. Other community service projects such as Adopt-a-Highway and supporting Boy Scouts quietly occur in different areas of the Masonic community. Brothers are being raised in due and ancient form. Brother Bring-a-Friend Programs are being held to energize the Craft by infusing it with men of good character and ideas. This is what makes us Masons, doing for others, enjoying each other's company while maintaining a tradition of Ritual that reminds us just how important it is, to keep breaking off the corners of rough stones. Keep up the good work!

trict Deputy with Official Visits to the Lodges.

On October 5th, we attended Clio Lodge, and on October 7th, Webster Lodge. It was a pleasure to visit these fine Lodges and see what is transpiring. I assure you, Masonry in the Monroe Districts is alive, and WELL!

Clio Lodge gave a fine update on their activities with the Child ID Program, and the great success they are having with it. Webster (my mother Lodge) continues with their fine Ritual work, and community support projects.



R. W. William Kuehne presents 50-year Certificate to Brother Reginal Meagher.

On October 10th, I had the pleasure of presenting a 50-Year Pin and Plaque to Brother Reginal Meagher, who is also my cousin and Patriarch of the Kuehne family. "Jim," as he is fondly referred to, was raised in Genesee Falls Lodge on December 2, 1954, while W. Gilbert Alexander was Master. Jim fondly recalls his night shift duties at Kodak, and reading and studying "a little book" along with many co-workers!

As he is just recovering from heart surgery, he was unable to attend the Awards Night at ERAC, and requested I receive it in his stead. It was a real honor for me. Congratulations Jim!

Happy Thanksgiving season to all.

## Grand Sword Bearer

Monroe



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Another boring month? Do I ever really get to bear the sword? *The Road to the East* is the road less traveled, but we, as Free and Accepted Masons and Grand Lodge Officers, have an exciting time in Monroe County. The DDGM and Staff Officers have traveled East and West and found welcoming Brothers everywhere. Our Official Visits have been most interesting. We were well nourished with victuals, as well as spiritually uplifted in meeting with the Brothers. There are some great things happening in the Lodges. The Child ID Program is very successful. Each Lodge visited is working on a community service project.

Masonry is alive and well in Monroe County. We are finding the ledgers in great order

and the trestleboards appear full. You will see from the numerous articles from the various Lodges that not one Lodge is "gathering moss." There are difficulties, but I expect that with any organization. We need to continue to work together and be supportive and understanding of one another.

We need to work efficiently among and between the Lodges as evidenced by the recent 3rd Degree in which I participated in at Oatka Lodge, where the Brethren of Union Star assisted in the raising of Brother Evar Miller. As shown in the cooperative effort at Fairport/Flower City in the initiating, passing and raising of Brother Jason Scheerens who is in Kuwait as this is being written. I particularly thank Bernie Lazerson, Master of the Fairport/Flower City Lodge, all of the Brothers who participated and the Shrine Degree Team for their efforts.

I know that Jason will appreciate letters from the Brethren and for now, if each of you would write to him at the following address, his father will forward them to wherever he is in the near East. Do not anticipate that Jason will be able to reply to all of your letters. His current mailing address is: Spec. Jason Scheerens, 115 William Street, East Rochester, NY 14445. He is working twelve hours a day currently in Kuwait, and I have been assured that if you send letters they will be forwarded to Camp Victory, E Troop 101, in his care. (The Troop is mobile now.)

The School of Ritual was well attended at Unity Lodge. The performance of V. W. Olegoetz and R. W. Zabel was admirable.

My message remains the same to all of you and is inculcated in the 3rd Degree charge, that we have one face, one tongue, and one heart and should make every effort to be the same person in our public, as well as, private lives. Masonic education can help you in that effort.

### Road to the East

As of this writing, we are looking at three sessions (early December, mid-January and February) and will work with the Livingston District. We have several skilled Masonic educators lined up for the presentations. Several Masters have identified Brothers who are also interested in the Masonic Development Course. If YOU are interested, contact ME at 889-4725. Leave your telephone number and I will return your call.

### MURDER MYSTERY - CHAPTER TWO - Who slew Hiram Abiff?

We left off with the three Rufians attempting to obtain the Master's Word. Why did they choose Abiff? Had they tried to extort the word from Hiram King of Tyre? From King Solomon? Did they really believe that they could get away with their murderous designs? What were they really going to do with the "word" if they obtained it? How were the wages paid? Passage out of the country? Why would they leave such digs? For this and other thrilling conclusions to these questions, stay tuned. Attend the Schools of Ritual. More lore next month. Do I have your interest?

## District Deputy Grand Master



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October has been my busiest month thus far. Maintaining my cabledow has been a challenge. I have also become uncomfortably aware of how our concept of this very important Masonic symbol is experienced and played out in our Lodge rooms. Leadership is a very difficult and time consuming task. We take on responsibilities that will surely tap our time, and often we do so knowing this. We rationalize and convince ourselves that "I can do this." Then the job begins, things change, relationships and jobs begin to suffer.

Fortunately, I enjoy the benefit of having a wife who can be forgiving for the loss in time she experiences as a result of my DDGM responsibilities. I make sure to attend to this very important relationship during non-Masonic times. My work place operates quite well, and I have no young children

at home. However, this is not the case for all of us.

We regularly discuss the problems with attendance and involvement. We complain when identified leaders don't do their jobs and may expound "Why did they agree to do it?" Whereas I might agree with the frustration and associated feelings related to this topic, I clearly disagree with our actions and behavior.

The Masonic Fraternity is a large organization with many attached organizations and groups. Our structure creates an enormous demand and competition for time and resources with more traditional institutions such as home and work. I don't know of an answer that works for all of us, but I have ideas and thoughts that we all need to consider when thinking about the future of the Fraternity.

We need to orient and train our younger leaders on how best to manage positions of leadership. Handing off the baton without the benefit of leadership training is unfair, and sets men up to fail. We need to develop and provide management training. We need to orient our newest Officers to this way of thinking as soon as they agree to become an Officer. We need to discuss the implications of cabledow at that time, and be willing to actively support them during this journey. We need to make this the culture

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During the past month, your Grand Lodge Staff Officers have been busy assisting your Dis-



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### Why the Ritual?

Over the years we have seen Brothers who ask this question. They often argue that learning Ritual is archaic; memorizing Ritual is a waste of time, and what purpose does it serve in modern times?

On September 28th, all of those doubts or observations regarding the need for Ritual were answered at Fairport/Flower City Lodge.

A combined Degree Team, under the Damascus Shrine banner, conferred a very special 3rd Degree on a very special young man. Jason Scheerens contacted his father and asked to be a Mason. On the surface this happens all the time. In the case of Jason, and his Masonic father, Jim, this request had a real sense of urgency attached to it.

You see, Jason is a military man who, as you are reading this, is on the tip of the spear with our troops in Iraq. Jason wanted to become a Mason prior to his shipping out. Our Grand Master gave us dispensation to conduct a set of "quick" Degrees to make sure that this happened.

The feeling in the Lodge room that night was very electric. We all understood what this meant to Jason. He was foremost on our minds. My own feeling was clear; if this young man was counting on us to bring him into the Craft that night, we were going to do it right.

On very short notice, the Shrine Degree team came together and put on a very good Degree. As is always the case, when Ritual is done with a high degree of proficiency, everyone in the Lodge room could concentrate on listening to the words of the Degree and not be distracted or uncomfortable because of poor Ritual. What words they heard! What lessons they learned! The value of integrity, loyalty, the power of redemption, and the wisdom of "who best can work and best agree."

I daresay that there was no one attending who did not feel very proud when everything was concluded.

Many thanks go to the Shrine Degree team under the lead-

ership of W.: John Faro and R.: W.: Bill Jones. Thanks to Paul Gleason for an outstanding Bible Presentation and, most of all, a special thanks to R.: W.: Neal I. Bidnick, Deputy Grand Master, and R.: W.: Biaggio Valente, Deputy Grand Standard Bearer, for coming up from the New York metro area to share this special event.

### Summary Statements

When the Ritual is rendered properly, it cannot fail to touch those hearing it. That is why rehearsal is so very important. We all must take the time to listen to the Ritual and read it on our own. Some of the most compelling and beautiful words you will ever read are right there in your blue book. Ritual is an incredible vehicle for bonding Masons together. Witness the meaning of the trowel in our 3rd Degree.

Good ritual is a source of pride. Poor or mediocre ritual is demoralizing to those giving it and to those receiving it. It is not enough to say "the candidate did not know" when discussing areas of improvement. The ritualist himself knows and should work towards excellence.

I hope you all have a good Degree season. As my partner, Joe Oelgoetz has stated, we will be around to see your Degrees as per Grand Master Fitje's edict. We are not there to put down your effort, but to help every Lodge improve its work.

On a personal note, I would like to use this public forum to apologize to V.: W.: Joe and to the District. Come the Fall, I have an enormous time commitment coaching youth football and have therefore been absent thus far at our Schools.

By the time you read this article, we will be in the playoffs. So be prepared for the words, "He's baaack."

See you in the quarries. ✕

## Membership

R.: W.: Joseph Privitera  
Monroe District

### Membership

By R.: W.: Joseph Privitera  
If you look in the Monroe District Directory under Member Development, you will find that there are several activities which fall under that umbrella, but there is nothing in there about dues or Ritual work. However, I believe that those items are closely related to membership.

### Dues

Being dropped for non-payment of dues is not a pleasant situation. There are many reasons for this happening. If this is a possibility for you, then

you will probably receive a letter from your Lodge Secretary. In some Lodges that letter could be a concerned letter or a form letter. Whatever the letter looks like, if you are in danger of being dropped for non-payment of dues because of a financial situation, or even some other reason, I urge you to talk to someone. You can call the Master or the Secretary of your Lodge. Their numbers are listed in your Lodge article of the *Masonic Times*. You can also call me. My number, as with all District level numbers, is listed on page 2, under "Hot Numbers" of this publication.

### Ritual

I am not the best ritualist, not even close. I know what I know and I know my limitations. Some Masters of Lodges are great running the Lodge. Good programs, excellent communication with members, and an all around good administrator of a Lodge. However, when it comes to Ritual, they don't do so well. Instead of realizing their limitations, they try anyway. They make many mistakes and as a result, make a bad impression on the candidates.

So, what do they do? They delegate. There is nothing wrong with having others do the Ritual work. There will be some who may wonder and may even complain a little. Most of us would rather see good Ritual instead of fidgeting on the sidelines witnessing bad Ritual. So, if you are conferring a Degree and your Ritual work is not too good, then delegate the work to those who know the work. In the long run, you will feel better and the Lodge will be the better for it. Most of all, the candidates will have a good first-time impression.

Hope to see you in Lodge. ✕

## Monroe District Masters & Wardens Assoc.



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Our several Lodges are facing similar issues, and Masters and Wardens provides an opportunity to work through these challenges together. In order to increase this synergy, we need even greater representation from our District's Lodges. The Masters and Wardens meet every third Wednesday at the Beale Street Cafe, 693 South Avenue, just across from Gregory Street. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, November 17th. Cocktails are at 6 p.m., with a dinner meeting to follow at 6:30 p.m. Meetings adjourn no later than 8:30 p.m.

### We Work Better Together


The Monroe Masters and Wardens Association is off to a running start. The October 20th meeting was well attended, and much progress was made with regard to this year's Have-a-Heart Campaign and planning for the Grand Lodge trip.

Please support your District Leadership, because we truly do "Work Better Together." ✕

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We were pleased to have our Brother Lt. Nathan Thompson with us at our September 21st meeting. He was on a two week leave before being assigned to the Middle East. W.: Sean Noonan and Brother Thompson are trying to establish a military charter. This will allow him and his fellow Masonic servicemen to remain active Masons. Brother 2nd Lieutenant Thomas Casper, will be taking additional Officers' training and most likely will also be sent to the Middle East.

There was a very good showing of Brothers at the September 21st meeting. I was encouraged by the number present as we started our new season of activities.

Our Lodge building has developed a roof leak along the South wall. The Trustees have received estimates for repairs, which should be completed by the time you receive this issue of the *Masonic Times*. However, we should start planning for a new roof, as it will need replacing in the near future.

Unfortunately, none of our Masonic widows were able to attend their Luncheon. Our Secretary, W.: Sean Noonan tried to contact them. Some were unable to attend and some could not be reached. Hopefully, these deserving people can attend next year.

W.: Dale Polmateer and I had the opportunity to visit W.: Harry Hopkins and his wife, Betty. They were in good spirits, although they need the aid of walkers to get around. W.: Hopkins shared many interesting Clio Lodge history stories with us.

We also visited Brother Nick Panarites, who resides at the Landing in Brockport.

Our thanks to our District Deputy, R.: W.: Lewis Perna; Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.: W.: William Kuehne, and Grand Sword Bearer, R.: W.: Donald Tubman, and for their Official Visit to our Lodge on October 5th.

Congratulations to Junior Warden, Steve Mitchell, and his new bride, Ann, who were

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married on September 3rd. We wish you a most joyous life together.

### Upcoming events

November 2nd - Lodge meeting. W.: David Upham will present a program on Masonic History.

November 9th - Leah Chapter Master Mason Night. Reservations required. See the Secretary or me.

November 10th - Spaghetti Dinner

November 16th - 2nd Degree  
December 7th - Royal Arch Masons' Meeting

December 21st - 3rd Degree - all Brothers are encouraged to attend this important event in the lives of our newest Brothers. Dinner, 6:30 p.m. ✕

## NORTHFIELD

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The month of October was a very busy time. On October 7th we conferred the 1st Degree with dinner. Twenty-four Brothers enjoyed watching and conferring the Degree. We had a good time! Thanks to the Brothers who participated. According to the edict, we did everything required for the Degree.

On October 9th, eight Brothers from this Lodge fixed our drainage problem by rerouting the water away from the building foundation. They were: Glenn Schaefer, who provided a load of clay; James Weick; Dave Abrams; John Dudley; Dean Smith, who brought donuts; William Spillane; Randy Griswold; I brought the apple cider and made coffee.

October 21st was the Scottish Rite's Symbolic Lodge Award Night. W.: Dean Smith received the Award and W.: Pedro Ugalde received the Master's Recognition Award.

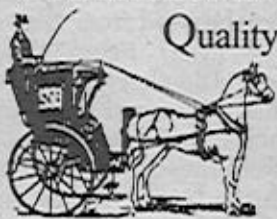
We will have our Official Visit by R.: W.: Lewis Perna on November 4th, with a dinner. Officers are to be in tuxedos or dark suits.

We will confer the 2nd Degree on November 18th, with the Junior Warden in the East. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m. and the Officers should be in formal attire. Reservations for the dinners may be made by calling Glenn Schaefer at 248-0157 by Monday, November 1st and November 14th.

Please pray for W.: Bill Fraser and Brother Dave Ambrose. ✕

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Autumn has arrived and along with it, the beginning of new Lodge activities and opportunities. As you may remember from last month, we had rescheduled our 3rd Degree for September 22nd. This was to accommodate the travel plans of our Brother Fellowcraft's cousin from Chicago. Our visiting Brother is a long-time member of the Purple Club in Illinois and we looked forward to his participation. This was, indeed, a special night.

**Installation**

After much creative juggling, shuffling, and accommodating various lengths of cabletows, the elected Officers and appointees for the upcoming year are as follows:

- Master **Mark Arlauckas**
- Sr. Warden **Timothy White**
- Jr. Warden **Larry Blazey**
- Secretary **Chuck Crevison**
- Treasurer **Burt Brown**
- Sr. Deacon **Lawrence Dunn**
- Jr. Deacon **Mark Ellwanger**

Additional appointees are Robert Wise, Senior Master of Ceremony; Kevin Fisher, Junior Master of Ceremony; Chuck Piazza and Scott Kester, Stewards; Donald Tubman, Marshal; John Horn, Chaplain and Rich Fimbel, Tiler. I encourage all brethren of Oatka to get to know these men as they are the future of Oatka.

**Widows' Luncheon Update**

Brother Jasper Brady and R.: W.: Don Tubman had the pleasure of escorting five fine ladies to the Widows' Luncheon held recently at Logan's Party House. Enjoying a great meal and pleasant conversation were Mrs. Sue Goossens, Mrs. Jane LaPree, Mrs. Diane Maltese, Mrs. Linton Warner, and Mrs. Louise Schwallsatt. The Lodge is grateful for their presence at this event.

**October**

Our first regular communication of October was also Brother Bring-a-Friend Night. The meeting was followed by a presentation of the history of Rochester breweries by Mr. John C. DeVolder, a local historian and avid collector of brewing memorabilia. On display was a portion of his collection of antique signs, steins, and bottles.


The second meeting of the month was our Official Visit from R.: W.: Lewis Perna. The evening also featured the second part of our October

"theme," a beer tasting demonstration by Mr. Fausto Angotti.

This is shaping up to be a very important and pivotal year for our Lodge. We are currently cooperating with another fraternal organization over the shared use of the Lodge building. Meeting the financial needs of the building has always been a challenge for us and we have been searching for responsible methods for maintaining the Lodge and its furnishings. We are very encouraged with the ongoing interest and negotiations currently underway. We are moving in a very positive direction and are working diligently to satisfy every need and occupancy requirement set before us. More details of this developing issue in next month's edition. By the way, Oatka Lodge is still located at 5 Browns Avenue in Scottsville, for those of you who might have "forgotten" its location.

Finally, I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable Summer and I look forward to seeing you at our next meeting on November 10th.

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This month has promises of activities and work to be accomplished, but last month had quite enough of the same, in its own right. Here it is, Brothers.

**September's events**

The Widows' Luncheon was held at Logan's Party House on September 11th and was well attended by members and ladies/widows of the Lodge. In all, over a dozen ladies were present. My lady, Janet, was there for the first time, and it seems as though a good and enjoyable time was had by all. My special thanks go to W.: Gordon Ball and his wife, Vicky, and also Brother Roger Lynch, who did much in arranging for transporting some of the widows of our Lodge. Also, present were Brother Don Osborne and his wife, Norma, and V.: W.: Joe Oelgoetz. It was a success for the District. I thank Linda Zahn for her fine organizational work of the event.

Immediately following the Luncheon, the Lodge held its Annual Clambake at Powder Mills Park. The weather was excellent, considering what it could have been and had been much of the season - wet, rainy, and damp.

It was the first Masonic event in years, social or otherwise, where I had absolutely nothing to do but sit and enjoy myself! Outstanding! Brothers Hugh Woodside and Ronald Lalik did all of the cooking and preparation, with some help from Ron's wife, and the outcome was excellent. The clams and fixings were well enjoyed. Despite the fact that the event was not quite as well attended as it has been in the past, everyone there had a good time.

On the 18th of September, the Adopt-a-Highway Program Clean-Up was performed by Brother Roger Lynch and me, since we were the only two to show up. We got about 1/2 of the distance of the road cleared. The balance will have to be done on the Spring 2005 date of May 14th. Brothers, don't be afraid to show up for this little job. It's easy and a good exhilarating walk as an exercise.

The Lodge's Brother Bring-a-Friend Night took place on Monday, September 20th, organized by Brother Hugh Woodside. The potential candidates were entertained and informed regarding the Lodge and much of the work we Masons are involved with in our Lodge and in the community. Spaghetti dinner was the menu, made by Brother Mike DiCataldo, with my assistance. Hopefully, this event will attract potential candidates who may soon be admitted to our Lodge, and then called Brothers by us.

On the 27th of September, after the Lodge meeting, the Brothers and Ladies were treated to a presentation on Rosslyn Chapel. I have given this presentation earlier this year while V.: W.: Joe Oelgoetz was our Worshipful Master. This magnificent Chapel in Scotland is replete with Masonic/Templar emblems and decorum and is entirely unique in its form of content. This was the first of several programs scheduled for the year in our Lodge.

On the 10th of September, W.: Ted Snyder, DSA, and I, made a trip to the home of Brother Guy J. Parry to present him with his 50-Year Certificate, since he was not available to receive this earlier this year when I presented the same to numerous other Brothers. The accompanying picture shows us after the pre-



sentation: Brother Parry in the center, showing his Certificate, flanked by Ted on the left and me on the right. Brother Parry is a Past Potentate of Damascus Shrine.

**October events**

The DDGM, R.: W.: Lew Perna, was to have his Official Visit on the 11th of the month, but was compelled to reschedule the date, so his Visit was postponed. When that date is known, I will announce it.

The Lodge held the first of two planned Table Lodges on the 25th. More information will be available on this in next month's article.

**Upcoming Events**


At our meeting on November 8th, V.: W.: Joe Oelgoetz will present his program on the

Masonic career of George Washington. This is a dinner event and the ladies are invited. You will not want to miss this program, since Joe has done a lot of research on this subject. I have heard him give the program before and it is a great presentation. This is a rather unique subject, since most of the Masonic information we hear of regarding George Washington has much more to do with his political and military career. Not much Masonically is truly known about him, despite the fact that the information is quite available. Joe has compiled much information regarding Washington's business and Masonic life and presents it in a digestible format for the audience. Notices for the reservations will go out soon, so watch for them.

The 1st Degree will be performed on the 22nd of November. Officers and ritualists, get to your labors and work on your parts since we want a good Degree performed for the edification of the candidate(s). Notices will go out regarding the rehearsal date and time.

I'll have more for you soon. If you have something that you feel should be published in my articles for the *Masonic Times*, Brothers, let me know.

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Upstate New York is truly beautiful this time of year. With Fall on its way, the days are getting shorter and cooler, and the leaves on the trees are turning their bright colors. It's a time to relax and ponder about what needs to be done to prepare for Winter.

Some of the events that have occurred since the last article include an update on our building in Charlotte. The buyer of the building in Charlotte has removed all contingencies from the offer and will pay CASH. The only thing left is to set a closing date. We still have

some stuff in the building which needs to be moved to Unity and we need to fix the carpet. Joe Privitera and Cliff Short are coordinating this effort.

Most of the physical move of Charlotte/Corinthian Lodge items to Unity Lodge in Spencerport is complete. Many new tables and chairs and lots of other paraphernalia occupy the auditorium, kitchen, preparation room, and the third floor meeting room. The Lodge is full, and our storage space is somewhat limited, so several committees still have to be formed to straighten things out. The Temple Association placed with the Unity Lodge Trustees, the responsibility of developing some viable alternatives and some architectural drawings for the new 2nd and 3rd floor elevator. The Trustees met Saturday, October 8th.






The District hosted a Child ID Program at Unity Health Systems again (as in the Spring). The event took place September 18th at 89 Genesee Street (formerly St. Mary's Hospital). This was an opportunity to help out a greatly underserved part of our community. Thanks to John Dyer and Matt Westphall for coordinating this event.

During our September 27th meeting, five candidates were initiated and two were affiliated. That's seven new members in one day. I hope we can continue this type of growth throughout the year. A Roast Beef Dinner was prepared by Cliff Short and served to welcome our new members to the Lodge.

The meeting was quite long, but the candidates were very impressed by the work of all the Past Masters who participated in the 1st Degree. Fifty-two Brothers were in attendance. Assistant Grand Lecturer, Joseph Oelgoetz, representing Grand Lodge, was in attendance and Unity Lodge has fulfilled the obligation of the Grand Master's Edict to perform a Degree in its entirety this year. My thanks to the following individuals for their roles in this Degree: Master, Cliff Short; Senior Warden, Dennis Tianello; Junior Warden, Pat Schwartz; Senior Deacon, Mike Hueston; Junior Deacon, Gene Brendel; Senior Master of Ceremony, John Dyer; Junior Master of Cer-

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emony, Jim Toogood; Stewards, Jay McCullough and Karl-Heinz Reich; Marshal, Joe Privitera; Chaplain, Don Fox; Apron Presentation by John Dyer; Working Tools, Bill Mitchell; Questions and Answers, Pat Schwartz and Mike Schwartz; Whys & Wherefores, Joe Privitera and Jim Toogood; Lecture, Dave Jones; Charge, Tom Michielsen.

The Monroe District School of Ritual was held on Thursday September 30th at Unity Lodge, and was led by the same team of Past Masters who conducted the September 27th 1st Degree. There were 31 members from Unity Lodge in attendance, which makes a great start in our quest to maintain possession of the attendance banner.

There was a good turn-out to dismantle the flower garden on Route 531 near Gillette Road. The flower garden is now officially closed for the Winter.

Thanks go out to Jim Powell, Brian Keery, Dennis Tanello, Craig McCann, John Jamele, Mrs. Jamele, Gene Brendel, Dave Sylvester, Jim Toogood, and Pat Schwartz.

Thanks to Linda Michielsen and the OES for serving dinner prior to our meeting on Monday, October 11th. The menu included an appetizer, Pork Roast, potatoes, squash, coleslaw, rolls, butter, relish tray and dessert for the price of \$9.

The Bus trip to the Buffalo Bills/Miami Dolphins Football game was cancelled. Tickets for the game sold out in July.

The events scheduled for November include:

- 8th - Bring-a-Brother Event. Bring your neighbor to dinner.
- 18th - High Twelve Lunch
- 18th - 2nd Degree Rehearsal
- 22nd - 2nd Degree

I leave you with this thought: "Never laugh at someone else's dreams. People who don't have dreams will never accomplish much." \*

**WEBSTER**  
**LODGE NO. 538**

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### Introductions

This year has been moving quickly, so I will be brief with my news.

First off, I would like to welcome two Officers to the line for Webster Lodge. Ron Bryant will be filling the Senior Deacon's place and Ed Malchoff will be taking on the Junior Deacon's place in the

Lodge. Both Brothers performed their duties extremely well during the District Deputy Grand Master's Official Visit to Webster Lodge, October 7th.

### Recent events

Webster Lodge had the distinct pleasure of welcoming District Deputy Grand Master R.: W.: Lew Perna; Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.: W.: Bill Kuehne and Grand Sword Bearer, R.: W.: Donald Tubman. Lew shared with us the Grand Master, M.: W.: Edward R Trosin's premier program, the Child ID Program. He also touched on community service projects as a vehicle for Masons to perform a valuable service to the community, as well as a way to educate the public about our Fraternal organization. Thank you Lew, Bill, Don, for taking time to visit our Lodge.

Webster Lodge Brothers attended the Annual Scottish Rite Symbolic Awards Night on October 21st. As tradition goes with Webster Lodge, the Brothers shared the recipients' good cheer with high praise from the sidelines. The honor of the Symbolic Blue Lodge Award was graciously given to Brother Peter Bowers for his dedication to community service in Webster. Pete's strength and presence has served not only Webster Lodge, but the Webster community as a whole. Thank you, Pete for all of your hard work and dedication to the Craft and the community. The Worshipful Master Recognition Award was presented to the most recent Past Master of Webster Lodge, W.: Douglas Koenig, in appreciation for service as Master.

### Saluting Our Flag

Webster Lodge now has a flagpole and it looks great! My thanks to Nick Haldupis (the prime mover), and John Merz, Ed Marchner, Ron Albright, and Walt Cone. I saw Old Glory with the light shining on it as I left the Lodge and it was very impressive.

### Mark your calendars

Lodge activities for November include a Middle Chamber Perspective Lecture by Mike Nohle on Thursday, November 4th. Friday, November 5th, is the Webster Lodge Spaghetti Dinner, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Any Brothers who are interested in helping with the Spaghetti Dinner, either cooking, eating, or cleaning up, please come over and join us.

November 11th, the Fellowcraft Club will be meeting. As a reminder, they meet every third Thursday. The Fellowcraft Club has helped a lot with Lodge maintenance, as well as, the Drama of the Hiram Legend.

The second stated communication will be the 1st Degree. Taking the Master's Chair will be W.: John Ponshock. My Brothers, your support will be greatly appreciated by the candidate and the Officers conferring the Degree. \*

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

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By W.: Skip Waterstreet

We will honor the long-time Lodge members at our November 2nd gathering at the Shrine Center. Festivities will begin with a sumptuous Steak Dinner at 6:30 p.m., prepared by Brother Rene VanDeVeire and a volunteer crew. If you find yourself available, please join us...even if you don't have a reservation. We should be able to accommodate a couple of extras. Or, just come for the presentations at 7:30 p.m. It will be an open meeting, so the family is also invited. Remember to leave enough time in your schedule to vote before you come to the Dinner.

We are scheduled for a 1st Degree at our November 16th meeting. W.: Ken Schumacher will be in the East.

### From the Master

Thank you to all the Brothers who sent cards and kept my family in their prayers during our time of sorrow. I appreciate your expressions of sympathy.

### Sickness and Distress

Brother Clyde Siverd had a brief stay in the hospital, but seems to be doing all right now. Brother Barry Traub checked himself into the hospital and underwent a triple-bypass operation. When I learned about it three days later, he was already home recuperating and cooking supper for he and his dad, Brother Bob. Bob continues to battle difficulties with his eyes, and other ailments of the aging. He will be a recipient of a 65-year Service Award Certificate and Pin at our November 2nd meeting.

Agnes (Nancy) Connon, wife of our late Brother Albert Connon, died last month. The sympathy of the Lodge was extended to the family.

Brother Donald Conner lost his wife, Mary Alice, as a result of injuries suffered in an automobile accident as they traveled South. Our sympathies go to Brother "Jack" and the Conner family.

### Official Visit

Due to illness, the scheduled appearance of our District Deputy and his staff Officers was postponed. The new date has not been established. We will keep you informed.

### Brotherhood Fund

Brother Ralph Jurgens has sent out the mailing for you to contribute to the annual appeal. I hope you are able to make a donation, regardless of the size. Charity is one of the fundamentals of our Fraternity, and there are many segments needing more and more funds. If you have a favorite portion of the campaign, be sure to indicate on the Donor Card where you would like your money to go. The Veterans Service Committee is in need of funds; the Child ID program keeps growing, requiring additional resources; I'm sure I could list all of them. The

point is, you can dictate where you would like your contribution to go...feel free to do so!

Craftsman Robertson Lodge and its predecessors have always responded generously to this appeal, with above average numbers participating. Ralph and I hope you will continue the tradition.

### Dues

Speaking of money, there are a few Brothers in arrears, according to W.: Tom Kendig. He will be happy to have this matter cleared before next year's dues payments start arriving. Check your dues card...if you fit the category, please remit.

### Christmas Party

It isn't too soon to mark your calendar for the 3rd Annual All Masonic Bodies Children's Christmas Party. This event, sponsored by Lalla Rookh Grotto with the cooperation of Damascus Shriners, provides a variety of activities and a visit from Santa Claus, which thrills youngsters 10 and under. Older siblings may also attend, but the festivities are designed for younger children. My grandson (he's now 5) has attended the first two, and had a real blast. I hope more Brothers are able to participate this year. Call me (671-9730 or 381-8028) or our Secretary, W.: Tom Kendig (315-524-4063), for more details.

### Trestleboard

We have a very busy month ahead of us. Join us for any or all of the following events:  
2nd - Awards Night, Dinner;  
6th - Chinese with Roberta;  
9th - Fellowcraft - 1st Degree Rehearsal;  
16th - 1st Degree;

### Happy Birthday!

Your Brothers wish each one of you a happy day: William Evert, Fouad Farah, Wayne Gundry, Beecher Jeffery, Gary LaShomb, George Lloyd, James Locklin, George Pasch, Jr., Charles Paul, Robert Traub, Clifford White and Frank Zaffino.

I extend to all of you on behalf of the Officers a Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving. \*

**Fairport/Flower**  
**City Lodge No. 476**

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

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Fairport Masonic Temple  
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This, my Brothers, is the third installment to this publication, and I confess to you that I am just now in sync with its circulation schedule. First, September was a time of trial for us. We initiated and raised our newest Brother, Jason Scheerens (he from a long line of Master Masons and Past Masters, etc.) all within five days!

KUDOS to all our Lodge Brethren who participated and to a new and improved Shrine Degree Team. We had all the appropriate dispensations, dignitaries (including the Deputy Grand Master, R.: W.: Neal Bidnick, and the Deputy Grand Standard Bearer, Biagio Valenti), suitable feasting, and coverage on Channel 13's "Bright Spot" segment with

Don Alhart. Now, off Jason goes to fight the world's great and evil foe—international terrorism. May we all keep him and his family in our thoughts and prayers, that he might return to us safe and sound. His father, Jim Scheerens, is affiliating with our Lodge, and so much the better we are for this.

Second, let us all be thankful for Brother Brian Bills' return as Brother Treasurer and mystical guide for Fairport Scarecrow Festival's bewitching Masonic food booth. The early tally shows decent results.

Third, September also contained R.: W.: Lewis Perna's Official Visit, wherein we were again eloquently reminded that being a Mason is much more than coming to Lodge and sharing a brief chat. It is fellowship with each other, with our fellow Masons in our District, with our Brothers in our own Jurisdiction and elsewhere, and lest we forget—service to our communities. For, if we do not make better that place where we live, how can our own lives improve? What will be written when we are gone? He lived and died—to what end?

Fourth, I had the distinct privilege of presenting a 65-year pin and certificate to Brother Albert Knapp at his home and in the presence of his adoring family and Brother Kel Kelsey, his neighbor.



Brother Albert Knapp has his 65-year Pin affixed to his coat by W.: Bernie Lazerson.

Fifth, we conducted a Lodge first—a community Open House/Bring-a-Friend, neighbor, relative night, after an early Lodge closure. Refreshments, good conversation and hospitality followed our normal Lodge communication.

Remember—new membership is the lifeblood of any organization! We will do this again in the Spring.

Lastly, my Brothers, let me not end too seriously. Are you ready for some football? Monday Night football at Fairport/Flower City is the talk of the town. We are getting together after our regular communications for some American football, courtesy of ABC and goodies courtesy of our Junior Warden—King of Limburger.

Yes, my Brothers, we party on the 8th and 22nd of November. We are also partied outside the Lodge, at the Village Inn, on the 21st of October and will be at the Green Lantern Inn, in Fairport, on the 18th of November (call Jerry Spero, 334-7616 for the latter.) And yes, the rumor is true, we are going to have a Latka Party in December (more to follow).

OK, so we have to do some work for the communications too, so I have scheduled Degree work on November 22nd and a respectful honoring of our Veterans on November

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8th. We are blessed with a free country, a Lodge of free and accepted Brothers, and freedom of speech. Talk to me, give me your comments—take advantage of this freedom, too.



Members of ERAC Lodge, who received Service Anniversary Awards in September, pose with M.:W.: Edward R. Trosin, Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York.

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During our September 27th meeting, we honored those members of our Lodge and the Masonic Fraternity who have dedicated so much of their time and effort in the service of Freemasonry. The Awards Night Ceremony was held, as usual, as an open Lodge meeting also to honor the families and friends of our Brother Masons. During the evening, we were reminded that Freemasonry is a voluntary organization. We never ask to be compensated by riches or material gains. Recognition is the foremost important incentive we can give each other, even more important than money. We were therefore privileged to be able to have the M.:W.: Edward R. Trosin, Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York, with us that evening to reinforce the importance we place on recognizing those who serve our Masonic Fraternity and our Lodge.

Congratulations to all those who received an award on that day, and thank you to all who helped make that evening possible.

By the time you are reading this, we would have welcomed into our Lodge on October 11th, over 15 men who are curious to find out more about our Craft. We are certainly hoping that many of them will petition to join ERAC Lodge and become part of our Masonic Fraternity.

The following meeting, on October 25th, was entitled "reunion night" and featured representatives from the several Lodges which, over the years, have come to form what is known today as ERAC Lodge No. 163. I thank W.: Brother David Crawford for coordinating that evening.

My Brothers, a successful Lodge, like the cedar trees used to build King Solomon's Temple, draws strength and nourishment from its roots. Our Lodge has a story worth

telling: from Ancient Craft Lodge No. 943, instituted in 1917, the "Little Lodge that Could and Did," seven Lodges came together to form ERAC Lodge No. 163, instituted in 2000. If you were ever a member of Ancient Craft No. 943, East Rochester No. 1020, East Rochester's Ancient Craft No. 943, Yonnonadio No. 163, Genesee Falls No. 507, Zetland No. 951, or Towpath No. 163, this program was for you.

**Officers' News**

Please join me in thanking Brother Mike Newell for accepting his appointment as Steward replacing Brother James Syrett, who had to step down as an Officer, due to his work commitments.

**Lodge website**

Our Lodge Website is available: www.eraclodge163.org. Parts of the site are still under construction, with several Brothers working on completing them. This is a wonderful tool. It will allow us to better communicate with each other and spread our information.

**Master's Message**

My Brothers, Freemasonry has certain rules and principles known as Landmarks. One of the most important rules of the Craft is that which forbids us to engage in any form of religious or political sectarianism. We cannot question a candidate as to his religious or political beliefs. We cannot discuss such matters at any of our meetings, and we must not take any kind of public action with regard to them in the name of the Craft. However, Masonry requires of a candidate to profess a belief in a Supreme Being, and to be a good citizen. This is the beauty and wisdom of our Fraternity; to be able to strike the balance between religious faith and the equality of men. Freemasons are deeply patriotic while still meeting on the level, peacefully, with others who do not share the same political inclinations. For those who are interested in the history of the Craft, I would encourage you to read the history of the Royal Society in England, which many believe was one of the institutions that gave birth to modern Freemasonry. It is a beautiful story of how men of differing political opinions can get together for the purpose of spreading light and knowledge to the world.

I mention this today, as we are close to the presidential elections and I am reminded of my own growing up experience in a country where sectarian religious beliefs and political affiliation were routinely used as justification for hatred and gruesome killings. I grew up in a divided country where lines of demarcation were drawn based on religious sects and where brothers killed each other because of

differing political opinions and affiliation. The first time in my life that I ever voted in a democratic election was in 2000, a few months after I became a U.S. Citizen. I don't take this right lightly and I hope that all of you who are reading this article will stop and think for a moment what it means for us to be living in a free and democratic society and the meaning of having the opportunity, the right, and the privilege to vote and elect our leaders. My Brothers, I will never ask what your political affiliation is, but I will urge all of you to go out on November 2nd and exercise your patriotic duty to vote. May the Great Architect of the Universe bless you and your families.

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By R.: W.: Richard Snyder

Your attendance is requested at our November Communication. This is the month we usually honor our departed Brothers with a brief Remembrance Ceremony. We will still be doing the same, but we have added a new feature.

**Special Program**

This year we will be inviting the widows, and all of our Ladies, to share in our respect for our departed Brothers. Following the Ceremony, Teddy Roosevelt, who promises us a "Bully Good Time," will entertain us; a program you will not want to miss. Gathering for everyone will be from 6:00 to 6:30, at which time a catered dinner will be served Buffet style. We will adjourn to the Lodge room at 7:25 p.m.

**Officers**

Lodge Officers please note: tuxedo will be dress for the evening. Lodge will open at 5:30 p.m., with most of the usual business being completed at this time. Stewards, please make yourselves available to the Junior Warden to assist him where needed at 5:15 p.m. Everyone else will fill in where needed to set up the dining room prior to opening Lodge.

**Thanks**

I express the thanks of the Lodge for the Child ID Program, which was led by John Dyer at the October Communication, and the surprise program which R.: W.: Mat Gingold conducted.

**News of W.: Joe**

I received a phone call from W.: Joe early in October. He told me that he is at Ft. Lewis, Washington, where the weather was chilly and damp. He is training and putting together his Company for departure in November to Iraq. He can receive emails, but the time for downloading them is not that easy to get, as there are only a few terminals. Your consideration is requested.

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No. 797

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I am proud to share with all my Lodge Brothers the fact that our first all volunteer day for the Ronald McDonald House Garage Sale was a successful event. My thanks to Brothers Fred Norter, Bob Kimmel, Carl Preddy, Don Jenks, Sr., and Don Jenks, Jr., for their true quarry work. We arrived early Saturday morning and helped to unload close to 170 pallets from arriving delivery trucks. Typical garage sale items were placed throughout the former JC Penny store in Irondequoit Mall. Our hard work is appreciated with the knowledge that last year this sale raised \$110,000 to support the mission of the Ronald McDonald House. In the continuing Masonic spirit of generosity, some forty-eight hours of labor was donated that day.

On October 9th, the Scottish Rite sponsored a 3.2 mile Walk-a-Thon for Dyslexia. I was joined that mild Saturday morning by my twelve-year-old granddaughter, Adelaide Palum, who eagerly walked the route with me. We were pleased to have raised over \$200 and we both thank everyone who generously supported this worthwhile cause. My thanks, also, to the other Seneca Brothers who walked that day to support the School for children with dyslexia.

As our calendar year draws to a close, and our Masonic calendar approaches mid-year, I would remind you to take time to assess your goals and accomplishments to date. In keeping pace with our modern world, we find our lives are sometimes too full and active. Let us take a few quiet moments to readjust our schedules and priorities, if necessary, so that our true goals might be realized.

At our November meeting, we will have our Official Visit and also will be voting on three new petitioners. I urge each Seneca Brother to attend this Lodge meeting to be on hand to greet and welcome our Grand Lodge representatives. You will have the opportunity to perform one of your most sacred rights as a Master Mason; to cast your vote for worthy candidates. Let's have a strong showing. I look forward to seeing you.

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November 9th will be a 1st Degree, preceded by a dinner at 6:30 p.m. I hope to have a good turnout for the Degree, which will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Our second meeting in November will be on the 23rd, and will be preceded by dinner at 6:30 p.m. The meeting is at 7:30 p.m.

**Brotherhood Fund**

Brother Keith Moore is once again, in charge of handling the Brotherhood Fund for our Lodge. We are looking to each and every one of you to help support this campaign. Your donations help to fund many important Masonic programs. If you can assist, please show your support by making a donation to the fund.

**Just to clear the air**

It appears that a rumor is going around that the Lodge building is up for sale. That is not true. I'm not quite sure how the rumor got started. We did have some discussion in the recent past, as many Lodges across the state, as well as ours, have to deal with the rising costs of maintaining a building. We have discussed finances and our building but, as I understand it, the majority of our Lodge Brothers are in favor of having our own building. If that should ever change, each and every Lodge Brother of Fame Lodge would have a chance for input into that decision.

Please remember in your thoughts and prayers, our Brothers and their families who find themselves in sickness or distress.

Last, but not least, Happy Birthday to all of you who have November birthdays.

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# Scottish Rite NEWS

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## Commander-in-Chief



**Robert D. Pedersen, 33°**  
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### Kudos

One should always recognize the accomplishments of those we serve, or to whom we contribute, in the great name of the Fraternity.

### Feast of Tishri

What an inspiring evening to witness observance. The team, led by Mike McBride, Thrice Potent Master, Lodge of Perfection, did an outstanding job in their first presentation of this Thanksgiving harvest celebration, depicted from the seventh month of the Jewish year, (based upon the Gregorian calendar). Our guest speaker, R.:W.: and Ill.: Arch Bishop Herbert Groce, Jr., enlightened us with encouraging words of wisdom regarding this celebration.

### Walk-a-Thon

Many thanks to Joe Oelgoetz III, 2nd Lieutenant Commander, for chairing this inaugural event (Joe is also the NYS Chairman). Much time, effort and devotion was required by many individuals as they showed their support for one of our finest charities; 32° Masonic Learning Centers for Children. The campus at Monroe Community College was an excellent venue, and such a great day. We hope that you remember this cause, as we begin to plan for the 2nd Annual, next year.

### Symbolic Lodge Awards

This annual event was again well attended as we recognized not only a deserving Brother in the area Blue Lodges, but the immediate Past Worshipful Masters. These leaders of our Craft were escorted by the sitting Worshipful Masters. It was also joyous to listen to the remarks made by Ill.: Harold L. Aldrich, 33°, Deputy for New York, and the M.:W.: and Ill.: Edward R. Trosin, 33°, Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York.

Wherever we go, whatever Concordant Body you may belong to, we must always realize that the strength of our Fraternity and our preservation is dependant upon the Blue Lodge and its membership. It is a great day when we can relax and enjoy the fellowship of Freemasonry.

### Supreme Council Highlights

The 192nd annual meeting of the Supreme Council, NMJ, was held in Milwaukee, WI. What a wonderful, clean city, and great weather as we gathered together, September 19th - 21st. Chairman, Ill.: Jeffrey Bialk, 33°, and staff, did a marvelous job.

There were many announcements made: it is with regret that the resignation of M.:W.: and Ill.: Gary A.

Henningsen, 33° Active, was announced. While saddened, we're sure that our Ill.: Brother Gary will be enjoying his retirement with his wife Ada, and grandchildren. Ill.: Brother Gary, wherever you travel, we know that you will continue to promote this great Fraternity. Thank you for your dedication to Freemasonry.

### The 32° Learning Centers

This is the tenth anniversary! There is currently a budget of \$7.2 million dollars annually; 3,500 students, 340 tutors, 350 trainees, 54 Centers open (one under the forecasted in 1994), with 6 new Centers to open in 2005. The Boston Learning Center has begun a pilot program with the Boston Public School system for a more in-depth involvement for those with Dyslexia. For more information, go to: [www.ChildrensLearningCenter.org](http://www.ChildrensLearningCenter.org)

### Degrees

There have been and will be noticeable changes made affecting the 29 Degrees within the Rite. The Lodge of Perfection Degrees will now be the new mandatory 4th° - "Master Traveler," which has been rewritten and will be available within 60 days. Within this Degree, there will be four scenes depicted; one from each Body (Lodge, Council, Chapter, Consistory). In order to progress through the Lodge of Perfection, it is now required to partake in the 4th°, 14th° and one additional Lodge Degree. Council and Chapter did not have any revisions. There is a change in the Consistory Degrees. The 26th°, known as the Lincoln Degree, will be rewritten and available for public viewing. The 30th° will be removed, and replaced with the current 31st°, while the current 32nd° will be broken apart.

The Allegory section currently in the 32nd° will become the 31st°, and the Ceremonial Section will be the 32nd°. In order to progress through the Consistory and become a Sublime Prince, one now is required to witness the 31st°, 32nd° and one other Consistoral Degree.

Sovereign Grand Inspectors General: There were 123 newly coroneted 33° in 2004.

From New York State: Ill.: Russell Diethrick Jr., 33°, Valley of Jamestown; Ill.: C. Richard Trust, 33°, Valley of Syracuse; and Ill.: R. Curtis Montgomery, 33°, Valley of Buffalo. Next August, 2005, during the 193rd Session, there are ten (10) elected to receive the 33° from New York State: Utica - Tim Dimare; Syracuse - Carl Fahrenkrug; Schenectady - William Fink; Rockville Center - Donald Halstead; Norwood - Raymond Stafford; New York City - Francis DuMaurier; Jamestown - John Sundeen; Corning - Joseph Latham; Buffalo - King Mix; and from the Valley of Rochester - G. Michael Morris. All are well deserved of this honor. Congratulations to everyone, especially those who are close to our Valley.

### Mark your calendars

November 8th: Valley of Lockport will present the 8th°. Call the office for details.

November 11th: Veterans Day. Take the time to give thanks to all those who have served, and those who are serving. Give thanks to the Great Architect of the Universe and this great country - the USA.

November 12th: Valley of Buffalo will present the 18th°.

November 18th: The Degree Club will present the 13th°. Bring your passport. Please join us as the first installment (Degree) will be presented by the Valley's newly formed Degree Club. Interested in joining? Call the office with your name and phone number.

November 25th: Happy Thanksgiving

December 4th (Saturday): 2nd Annual Children's Theatre, followed by Toys for Tots Program.

Call the office for details, or watch your mailboxes in late November for the flyer.

### Pressing Towards Perfection

The Degrees of the Lodge of Perfection focus on the understanding of God. As one advances through these Degrees, one observes the necessity to move forward through whatever difficulties are encountered. We must realize that life is full of probable difficulties, especially those days ending in "y." One can overlook the negative, when one observes life as a journey, and not a circumstance.

Freemasonry takes us on that journey, as we pass through the many Degrees. Each unique grip, sign or word learned, is proof that a man has passed through the various Degrees, and is achieving further light.

On November 18th, come and gain new light, as the Degree Club presents the 13th°. Watch as a Temple is searched by three craftsmen, under the direction of King Solomon, for artifacts and the devoted worship of our creator. Watch and learn as each craftsman endures difficulties along the way. Legend motivates each craftsman, to search for the truth. Our Faith in God, desire to accept the truth, and motivation to discover the unknown, thrust these craftsmen forward - to seek Perfection.

So Mote It Be. ✕

### 2nd Lieutenant Commander

By Joseph Oelgoetz III

### First Annual Walk for Dyslexia

#### Success due to Faith - Hope - Charity!

Faith, Hope and Charity are three of our most important tenets in Masonry and in life. All three were in abundance at the First Annual Frank & Bette Paul 32° Masonic Learning Center's Walk for Dyslexia. The event took place on the campus of Monroe Community College on October 9th. How did Faith, Hope and Charity factor in the success of this event? I will attempt to explain.

#### Faith

It was FAITH in our Great Architect of the Universe, who, in His loving providence, would bless us with a successful event.

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### Allegiance

The Bodies of the Scottish Rite, sitting in the Valley of Rochester, State of New York acknowledge and yield allegiance to the Supreme Council, 33°, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America, whose Grand East is in Lexington, Massachusetts and whose officers are:

Sovereign Grand Commander Ill.: Walter E. Webber, 33° Grand Minister of State Ill.: Norman L. Christensen, 33° Active Members for New York Ill.: Gary A. Henningsen, 33° Ill.: Frederick D. Greene, 33° Active Emeriti Members Ill.: James F. Nichoff, 33° Ill.: Carlton A. Winchester, 33° Past Deputy for New York	Grand Lieutenant Commander Ill.: Lawrence D. Inglis, 33° Deputy for the State of New York Ill.: Harold L. Aldrich, 33° Ill.: David P. Spencer, 33° Ill.: Peter J. Samiec, 33° Ill.: Bruce Widger, 33° Past Deputy for New York Ill.: Richard H. Welkley, 33°
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It was in the FAITH of our committee members and their unselfish assistance in making the Walk a success. Those individuals are Bob Pederson, Carla Mancuso, Paul Gleason, Cyrus Kloner, John Wihlen, Ann Kaczka and Rodney Rittenhouse.

It was FAITH in Cy Kloner gaining not only a joint proclamation from the Mayor and County Executive, but also from the Governor's Office.

### Hope

HOPE that we would secure sponsors to cover the costs of the event. This HOPE turned into reality with the help of Wegmans, Bruegger's, Evergreen Carwash, Dixon-Schwabl Advertising, Infinity and Upstate Farms.

It was HOPE that we would be blessed with a day free from bad weather. The day was a little windy and overcast, but the rain that was forecast did not materialize. It turned out to be a great day for a walk. It was HOPE that walkers would turn out for the event. Up to the day of the Walk, we were uncertain, because not many walkers had pre-registered. But, our Hope was well founded in that we had over forty walkers - not bad for our first event.

### Charity

It was Charity that several volunteers - too many to mention - stepped up and took time on a Saturday morning to make sure that the Event ran smoothly. I thank each and every one who helped us out. It was CHARITY that Brethren and their Ladies from other parts of Western New York supported our first annual Walk for Dyslexia. It was great to see many from the Valley of Buffalo support in both time and money. We also received financial support from the Valley of Corning. Brotherhood is not just a local thing...it is truly universal.

It was CHARITY when our very own District Deputy Grand Master - R.:W.: Lewis Perna, suggested that we give the excess food and drinks, such as Bruegger's Bagels,

apples, bananas, cereal bars, water and fruit drinks, to those in need at the St. Joseph House.

It was CHARITY when Dr. George Nasra, two of his physician friends and the Brighton Ambulance Service, took time to insure we were prepared for any medical emergency.

It was CHARITY that generated close to \$5,000 for the 32° Masonic Learning Centers for Children, Inc. by all the participants.

### FAITH - HOPE - CHARITY

What drivers of success, without which, we would not have been successful on our First Annual Walk for Dyslexia. And it is FAITH and HOPE that we will again be successful in CHARITY of next year's Second Annual Rochester Walk for Dyslexia. Stay tuned. ✕

### Sovereign Prince By Norman Austin

The Masonic year is progressing steadily; the first annual Scottish Rite Walk-a-Thon last month was a success, with over 40 walkers and cooperative weather conditions.

Nearly \$5,000 in proceeds was generated to benefit dyslexia. Additionally, the Symbolic Lodge Awards/Masters Recognition Ceremony was well attended, with over 20 Lodges represented from the five District areas of: Monroe, Genesee/Wyoming, Livingston, Ontario/Seneca/Yates, and Wayne. Many deserving Brothers received well earned recognition that evening with family and friends present to share in the celebration.

November will also prove to be a busy month for the Scottish Rite, with the first of several family life events taking place on Thursday, the 18th, at 7:30 p.m., when the newly formed Scottish Rite Degree Club will have its debut performance, presenting the 13th Degree at the Damascus Shrine Center. There will hopefully be a great turnout for this, the Club's fledgling performance.



Plans are underway, for an event two days later, on Saturday, the 20th, for a unique opportunity to attend, as a group, the film, *National Treasure*, on its opening weekend. Having a PG rating, this film viewing opportunity will be open to not only members of the Scottish Rite, but to all Masons and their families, as well. Here is an opportunity, not only to enjoy an exciting event as a family, but to learn more about the Craft in the process. Following the screening of the film, R.: W.: John Zabel will give a presentation on the true connections between the Founding Fathers and Masonry. Tickets will be available at \$5.75 per person, in advance. Reservations may be made through the Scottish Rite office, at 264-1160.

In closing, on behalf of the "Scottish Rite," may each of you and your families have an enjoyable Thanksgiving holiday. x

**Degree Club**

By Mike Knolla

Mark your calendars. On Thursday, November 18th, 7:30 p.m., at the Damascus Shrine Center, the Degree Club will have its debut performance. We will be performing the 13th Degree, which deals with the rediscovery of the true name during Solomon's reign. Please come out and support your hard working Brothers and take advantage of the opportunity to see a solo Degree. Our dress rehearsal will be Sunday, November 14th, from 5 to 7 p.m., at the Damascus Shrine Center.

**Children's Theatre**

Adjust your calendars. In the calendar that was sent out recently, the Children's Theatre is scheduled for Saturday, December 11th, 1:30 p.m., at the Shrine Center. This has been moved forward to Saturday, December 4th, 1:30 p.m., Shrine Center. The second annual performance of the Masonic matinee has been combined with the Toys-for-Tots Program. For the donation of one toy, you will receive a seasonal meal, followed by a performance.

**National Treasure**

I am trying to get a group together to go see *National Treasure* on opening weekend, Saturday, November 20th. It is a new film produced by Jerry Bruckheimer (*Pirates of the Caribbean*) and starring Academy Award winner, Nicholas Cage. This film has been rated PG, so we are opening this program up to not only all members of the Scottish Rite, but all Masons and their families. The plot revolves around the attempt by Cage's character to find a treasure hidden by the Founding Fathers during the Revolutionary War. The Founding Fathers left clues in symbols on our currency and in our historical documents, many of which have direct ties to Masonry.

If we can amass sufficient numbers, we will have our own private screening, followed by a presentation by John Zabel on the true connections between the Founding Fathers and Masonry. Cost of tickets will be \$5.75 per person, paid in advance. Please make reservations through the Scottish Rite Office or your Lodge, as soon as possible. x

**New York Masonic Military Outreach**



R.: W.: Thomas M. Paglia  
Chairman

All Lodge Secretaries should have received two new forms from Grand Lodge. These are to be used to notify the Masonic Veterans Service Committee of their status so a Military Outreach Card may be issued. One form is for Masons who have been called to active duty; the other is for relatives of a Mason who has been called to active duty. A sample of each is published above right (there are

spaces for five names of service people on each original form).

This card lets people know that the carrier is a Mason, or members of a family of a Mason. Grand Lodge wants to maintain an accurate list of Masonic service personnel.

If your Lodge has Military personnel who have been called to active duty, or a Brother's immediate relative(s) have been called up, please submit the appropriate form to either:

R.: W.: Thomas M. Paglia  
Chairman, Masonic Veterans Service Committee  
84 Grand View Lane  
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or  
R.: W.: Ray Alvarez,  
Director, Office Services  
Grand Lodge of the State of New York  
71 West 23rd Street  
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tered, may use the sample below to inform their Lodge secretary, who should forward the information as noted.

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This form may also be used for the *Operation Phone Home*

phone cards. To qualify, a copy of the letter stating the Mason is being called to active duty must be submitted with the form. The phone card has 100 minutes on it and can be used anywhere.

For more information, contact R.: W.: Thomas M. Paglia at 227-2046 x

**"New York Mason Honored by Iraqi Village"**

Daily, broadcasts or newspaper headlines trumpet the casualties inflicted by, or upon, our armed forces in their quest to reduce the terror threats and establish governments of the people, where tyrants previously ruled. Rarely do we hear of the positive accomplishments, which don't seem to carry the same impact as the negatives. Here is some good news from the Iraqi front!

Captain Daniel L. Cederman, of the 14th Engineer Battalion, based at Ft. Lewis, Washington State, was the officer in charge of a school-renovation project in the town of Siniyah, Iraq. As a result of his efforts, local officials renamed the school in his honor. Capt. Cederman is a member of Akron Lodge No. 527, Akron, NY.

According to an article in the *Akron Bugle*, furnished by the military and written by Capt. Sandra Willis, 555th Combat Engineer Group, the project started when members of the Siniyah community met with the 14th and explained the poor condition of their schools. Windows were missing, there was

water damage and serious internal structural damage; there were no bathrooms in the school, and there was no decent recreational area where the students could play games.

A local contractor was selected from bids received, and members of the community were hired to complete the repairs. Classrooms and labs were upgraded with new door frames and doors, lights, ceiling fans, floor tiles and windows. A new washroom was included. When work was completed, ceremonies were held, which included a ribbon-cutting to commemorate the school's renovation.

Dawood Abdullah Mohamad, the contractor hired to coordinate the repairs, thanked the battalion for their aid and announced the new name of the school, "D. Cederman Siniyah Secondary School."

The 14th Battalion continues their involvement in Siniyah and are helping to renovate other schools in the area. They have established a positive relationship with the community in their continuing efforts in "helping Iraqis rebuild Iraq." x

**EVERYTIME A FLAG IS WAVED...WE REMEMBER**



November holds three special days that give us pause to remember that the rights and privileges we hold so dear are based upon the service and sacrifice of those who have gone before us. Tuesday, November 2nd - ELECTION DAY - reminds us of our responsibility as FREE citizens to

take the time to vote for the candidates of our choice. Americans have died to secure this special privilege for us and it should not be taken lightly.

Thursday, November 11th - VETERANS DAY - reminds us of the sacrifices brave men and women in our armed forces have made...and continue to make...so that we can enjoy many freedoms including our right to vote.

And finally, Thursday, November 25th - THANKSGIVING DAY - reminds us of the many blessings we have as Americans. It is a time to reflect upon our responsibility to use these gifts wisely and share our bounty with those less fortunate.

What do these three days have to do with funeral service? Every funeral service you attend is a Celebration of a Life lived and sacrifices made. Those who have gone before us have left precious memories and an important legacy for us to build upon.



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# York Rite NEWS

York Rite College  
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## District Deputy Grand High Priest

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The Grand King, R. E. Walter Hilsenbeck, will make his Official Visitation to the 24th Capitular District on November 1st. Palmyra Eagle Chapter will host this special visit. There will be a dinner at the Yellow Mills Restaurant at 6:00 p.m. I expect every Companion from our District to make every effort to attend and show R. E. Hilsenbeck how much we appreciate and welcome his visit.

In addition, the wives are invited to join us for dinner and then to participate in a ladies program hosted by the Grand King's wife, Reverend Juanita, in the dining room of the Palmyra Masonic Temple.

R. E. Aldo Ghirarduzzi, Chairman of the Royal Arch Charities Committee, has released the report on donations as of October 8, 2004. It contained good news and some bad news. The good news is that the gift giving is on target to meet the goal set by the Committee. The most disappointing figure in this report is that only 6.5% of our total Companions have donated.

My Companions, you should find in your mail by now a response brochure for the Royal Arch Masonic Charities. Please read the articles enclosed, then make a donation as generous as your circumstances will allow. The secret, as I see it, is for each and every one of us to participate.

Each Chapter within the Capitular District should have a Chapter Chairman. Excellent High Priests, please appoint a dedicated Companion to this very important post and forward his name to me.

Support your Chapter and Sister Chapters by your attendance. I'll be looking forward to seeing you, and I do mean you, around the Holy Altar of Royal Masonry in friendship and brotherly love.

Remember to practice the Grand High Priest's theme to "Accentuate the Positive and Eliminate the Negative." \*

## Hiram Chapter No. 62



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As I write this article, the days are getting shorter, there's a cool crispness to the

night time air, the leaves are starting to turn a majestic shade of red, yellow, and orange, the pumpkins are out, and Thanksgiving is just around the corner. The essence of Fall is now upon us and the Masonic year is in full bloom.

Since my last article, not a lot has happened. We were supposed to perform the Most Excellent Master Degree September 23rd, after it was moved from September 9th, due to lack of communication. But that never transpired because our Most Excellent King Solomon for the evening, R. W.: Bill Zufall, had a one-day stay in the hospital, and wasn't able to be there. On the bright side, he did mention that he was feeling REAL HAPPY from the medication he was taking.

As far as the meeting for that night, it never happened either because only six, (6) Companions showed up, including myself. So now we're left to scramble in order to fit the two remaining Degrees into the schedule for the rest of the year and I have to cancel two Masonic Education Nights. The problem is that there is no second meeting in the month, in both November and December, because of Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Regarding the other important event since my last article, the Canadian Visit, it never happened either. My Canadian counterpart, First Principal Joe Chamberlain, couldn't get enough support from his Canadian Companions to put on a Degree for us that Saturday. After his trying to cancel twice, out of frustration, lack of support from his Companions, and not wanting to disappoint us, I finally gave in and cancelled when only two others beside myself (and no wives) came forth to make a commitment to Royal Arch and to Hiram Chapter. I just couldn't justify \$200 for a hospitality room that no one was going to be using. So with both Friday night and Saturday afternoon cancelled, we were left with the dinner theater on Saturday night, for which he had only four reservations and we had only two. So after many months of planning, numerous phone calls back and forth, arranging for the new Plaque to be designed, taking 3 days off from work and losing 34 hours of pay, the one event to which I had looked forward for many years, never happened. I bet you can tell just how thrilled I am.

Before I go, let me leave you with a final thought. To me there are three major parts, or things, that are important above all else with what a Masonic Lodge or one of the Concordant Bodies does, and should do:

One is to make "Good Men" better by bringing them into the fold, putting on the Degrees for them, and being a guide and counsel for their lives.

Two is to "Enlighten" new Brothers and/or Companions with information and teachings, of which they were unaware before they joined, "So they can LEARN," and pro-

grams and/or allegories, "So they UNDERSTAND."

Three is to contribute, promote, and share the fellowship of each other's company. FELLOWSHIP, in whatever form, is what makes the heart sing and gives everyone the hope for a better tomorrow and as the Bible says, "Let the heart sing the HOPE of Joy."

How come we can't do any of it??? Why don't we try one or all three of these points and see if we can bring back to the forefront, that which has been waning for the last few years, namely the prominence, and the prestige, that is Royal Arch Masonry?

### Upcoming events

November 11th - TBA - possible reschedule of Royal Arch Degree. If so, DINNER at 6:30.

November 25th - Thanksgiving - no meeting

December 9th - Summoned Meeting - ALL must attend. Reports and elections.

December 23rd - Christmas - no meeting. \*

## Palmyra/Eagle Chapter No. 79

1st Monday, 7:30 p.m.



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The next Stated Convocation will be held on Monday, November 1st, at 7:30 p.m. in the Palmyra Masonic Temple, 161 East Main Street, Palmyra. This is the Official Visit of R. E.: Walter Hilsenbeck, Grand King. He will be bringing his wife, the Reverend Juanita. Let us all show our support for the Grand King by our attendance.

There will be a dinner (optional) at the Yellow Mills Restaurant, Route 31, Palmyra at 6:00 p.m. Dinner will be a Dutch treat, off the menu, except for our honored guests. I encourage you to arrive early and enjoy the fellowship of the Companions prior to dinner. Wives, or significant others, are invited to join us for dinner and then to enjoy an after dinner program at the Palmyra Masonic Temple with Reverend Juanita.

To our Members who live within commuting distance and haven't been to the Chapter in a long time, please accept this as my personal invitation for you to come to hear the Grand King. Have you forgotten the password, etc? Don't let that stop you from attending. You will be among friends, all of whom will be glad to fill you in. I promise you, as a son of the British Empire, that under no circumstances will there be anything said or done that will cause you any embarrassment. With this assurance, I hope you will come to join us. I'm looking forward to seeing YOU, and I do mean you, around the Holy Altar of Royal Arch Masonry at the November Convocation.

The dress code for the evening is Officers: Tux (if available). Companions: Tux, Business suit, or sport jacket, with tie. \*

## LeRoy Chapter No. 183 RAM



4th  
Tuesday  
7:30 p.m.

### High Priest

E.: Harry Tyson

494-1137

### Secretary

E.: Garry R. Hutchurson

494-1395

8 West Main Street, LeRoy

Companions, our September meeting was the Official Visit of the Assistant Grand Lecturer, V.: E.: Dennis Parmerter. The Past Master Degree was successfully pre-

sented. Many thanks to those Companions who took part in the Degree.

The DDGHP, R.: E.: Leonard Mason, was also in attendance and gave a brief summary of the purpose of the Traveling Scepter, which is to promote unity and fellowship among the Chapters and to reinforce the bond between the Grand Chapter of New York and the Grand Chapter of Quebec.

Our By-Laws Committee provided a rough draft to the Companions for their comments and suggestions. At the October 26th meeting, the By-Laws committee presented its report.

### Dates

November 23rd will be the Election and Installation of Officers.

December is a skip month. Enjoy the holidays. \*

## GOOD SHEPHERD TABERNACLE HOLY ROYAL ARCH KNIGHT TEMPLAR PRIESTS



(First row, left to right) VEPP Carl Fisher, M.: W.: and VEPP Edward R. Trosin, VEP Bert A. Larson, DP Anthony Olivieri, GOG Robert J. Cave, VEPP Kenneth Perry. (Second row) VEPP Lester G. Weinheimer Jr., James N. Carr, Steven L. Wing, Paul Barrera Jr., William Jones, VEPP Cullen O. Henry. (Third row) VEPP Daniel W. Troy, VEPP Charles F. Van Etten, VEPP Michael E. Driver, VEPP George Knorr.

By Carl L. Fisher

The Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests, Good Shepherd Tabernacle No. XXX, celebrated its 50th Anniversary in August at the Masonic Temple, East Aurora. Those who attended the celebration enjoyed a Filet Mignon Dinner and were presented with a gift bottle of wine and a commemorative wine glass. The members each received an up-dated history of the organization.

The Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests is an honorary and invitational organization with membership limitations. It cannot be applied for to membership. Members are selected and extended invita-

tions on the basis of outstanding performance as a Commander of a Commandery of Knights Templar.

The Order has historic roots in England that trace back to 1786, with references back to 1686, the traditional year of revival. The "Priestly Order" was referred to within the ceremonies of "The High Knights Templar" in Ireland in 1755.

The Grand College of America, Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests, was formed in the United States in 1931. The limit of Regular Members in a Tabernacle is 33. The number of Tabernacles in a State is dependent on the number of Commanderies in each State. \*

## Palmyra Council No. 26

Cryptic Masons  
1st Thursdays, 8:00 p.m.

### Master

I.: F. Edward  
(Ted) Powley  
(315) 483-2745

### Secretary

David W. Taber  
388-0629

Palmyra Masonic Temple  
161 East Main Street

Companions, our October assembly was a memorable one as M.: I.: Stephen A. Licht visited us. He was accompanied by R.: I.: Jerold A. Brade, Grand Sentinel, and

R.: I.: Vernon Rupert, Grand Representative of the Grand Council of Georgia near the Grand Council of New York. R.: I.: Rupert is the newest Grand Representative in our jurisdiction.

Among his announcements, the Grand Master read the letter sent to our Companion Cullen O. Henry, thanking him for his many years of service to Grand Council as the Grand Representative to the Grand Council of Connecticut. He added that Cullen has been the example of how a Grand Representative should act and serve to new appointments. Thank you, Cullen, for your exemplary service to our Grand Council.




We had two members attend Grand Council in August and they reported on their good travel experience and sight-seeing including the Hamptons and multimillion dollar homes. For the next two years, the Grand Council assemblies will be very close to us in the Rochester area.

Council members agreed that on November 4th, our next meeting date, we will support our Companion, I.: L. Ronald Edwards, as he is received as Associate Grand Sentinel of the OES. We will meet at Palmyra Temple and leave for Honeoye Masonic Temple at 7 p.m. The meeting begins at 8 p.m.

Hope you can join us on November 4th as we travel. ✕

**Doric Council**  
No. 19 Cryptic Masons  
(Chartered 1861)

3rd Wednesday



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As I write this article, the days are getting shorter, there's a cool crispness to the night time air, the leaves are starting to turn a majestic shade of red, yellow, and orange, the pumpkins are out, and Thanksgiving is just around the corner. The essence of Fall is now upon us and the Masonic year is in full bloom.

Since my last article in the *Masonic Times*, we were honored to have with us, on September 15th, the M.:I.: Stephen Licht, Grand Illustrious Master of Cryptic Masonry, State of New York; R.:I.: Charles Roberts, Deputy Grand Master; M.:I.: Raymond Beardsley, Grand Treasurer; R.:I.: Arnold Palmer, Grand Steward; and M.:I.: E. William Whittaker, Past Illustrious Grand Master of Cryptic Masonry, State of New York 2001-2002 and the current Charity Corporation Trustee, for the presentation of R.:I.: John Dudley's District Deputy Grand Illustrious Master's Apron. We had a wonderful turnout of Companions that evening and a great time was had by all. So thanks, Companions, for showing our Illustrious Grand Master and all his Officers such a wonderful evening and why I believe we are the premier Council in the State.

It was also nice to have a full house of Companions for refreshments and fellowship after the meeting, and isn't that half the reason we join and become members, to enjoy the company and fellowship of good friends?

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That same night was also previously scheduled as the DDGIM's Visit, so John got off easy because the Most Illustrious Grand Master gave his own message. As they say, we got it straight from the horse's mouth.

As far as bringing everyone up to speed on the dissolution of the Temple Civic Center, I'll defer to Don Brugger, our Temple Civic Center representative for Doric Council, or Raymond Beardsley, who handled most of the matters. But, after months of court proceedings, the case was finally settled and Doric Council received a nice sum of money to add to our investments.

For our November meeting, I'd like to invite and pass along a warm wish to any Companion of Royal Arch, who might like to attend, as well as to the wives or significant others of all the Companions of Doric Council. I have already discussed, scheduled, and pre-arranged with Joy Woodley to cater the dinner for the evening, so let's have a good turnout. This is a Festive Board, so let's share an evening of good company, like all good Masons are supposed to do, and come together for an evening of Fellowship, Companionship, and Brotherly Love.

**Upcoming events**  
November 17th-Table Council  
December 15th-Council of Remembrance ✕

**Batavia Commandery**  
No. 34  
Knights  
Templar



2nd & 4th  
Thursdays

Commander  
SK Norman H. Steinbaugh  
591-2073  
Recorder  
SK James MacConnell  
494-1815  
39 Main Street, Attica 14011

Twelve Sir Knights from Batavia Commandery were present at the Adams Mark Hotel in Buffalo on September 17th and 18th for the 191st Conclave. As expected, SK George Knorr was elected and installed as Grand Commander. Congratulations to SK Stephen Wing, elected Grand Treasurer, and SK James MacConnell, who moved right up the Grand line to Grand Standard Bearer. Last, but certainly not least, congratula-

tions to SK Jerold Brade on receiving the Knights Templar Cross of Honor.

At the Sunday service, an Altar cloth, embroidered by and donated to the Grand Commandery by Lady Anne Rupert, was presented by SK James MacConnell.

**Thanksgiving Dinner**  
November 11th is the date for the annual Thanksgiving Feast. The turkey will be furnished and cards will be sent out for the dishes to pass. Remember to bring your own table service.

**Christmas Toast**  
Thursday, December 9th, will be our annual Christmas Toast at the Attica Masonic Temple. Following the Toast, refreshments will be served in the dining room. ✕

**Sagoyewatha**  
Commandery No. 17

3rd Saturday, 9 a.m.



Commander  
SK F. Edward  
Powley  
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Recorder  
SK David Taber  
(585) 388-0629

Phelps, NY

November looks to be a very busy month for Commandery activities. On November 6th, we will travel to Hesperus Lodge, Bergen, for the Western Regional School of Instruction. The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. On the 13th, the Orders will be presented in Hornell at DeMolay Commandery. Coffee and registration at 8:15 a.m. Casts will be the same as last year; please call me or Sir Knight William C. Jones if you cannot participate this year.

Sagoyewatha Commandery will have its regular conclave at 9 a.m. on November 20th in Phelps. Breakfast at the Blue Ribbon Restaurant at 7:30 a.m. We will have a full form opening and continue work on the *Sword Manual* in preparation of our annual inspection. We have been told that General Order No. 1 has been changed and the inspection will follow more traditional requirements.

I wish all Sir Knights and their loved ones a very happy Thanksgiving. We all have much to be thankful for. Pray for those who cannot be home this year with their families, especially our people in military service. ✕

## Miram Chapter Scholarships

Scholarships were recently presented by High Priest, Douglas Koenig; King, Joseph

Oelgoetz; Treasurer, James Nersinger; and Secretary, Charles Roberts. ✕



David Brugger



Joshua Roberts



Jason Christman



Stephanie Weilert's Mother  
(Stephanie away at school)

## Masonic War Veterans Present Colors at Cryptic Masons Reception



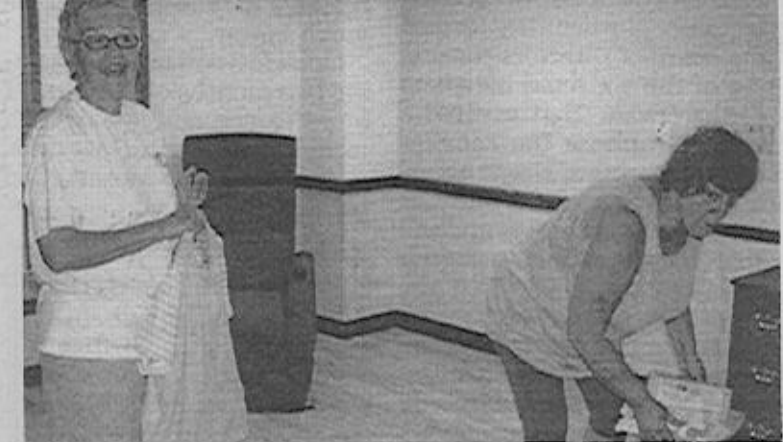
Genesee-Wyoming Post No. 32, Masonic War Veterans presented the Colors at the Reception for M.:I.: Stephen A. Licht, Grand Master of Cryptic Masons in the State of New York, at the Holiday Inn in Batavia last month.



Illustrious Kenneth E. Kohlhausen, Master of Ceremonies (left), with Most Illustrious Stephen A. Licht, Grand Master, and his wife, Melissa.  
(Photos courtesy of Dennis Turton)

## BROTHER HELPING BROTHER

By Rob Lauducci, Director, Volunteer Services,  
Masonic Care Community



Do you remember when you promised to aid and assist fellow Masons as part of your obligation? Last Summer, during the week of July 12th, over 150 residents at the Masonic Care Community were moved into their rooms in the new Health Pavilion with the help of some very caring volunteers. Assisting our staff with the move were Bill Murphy, and his wife Helen, and Pat Caruso, and his wife Barbara. Bill is a member of Amenia Lodge No. 672, Amenia, NY. Pat belongs to Dover Lodge No. 666, Dover Plains, NY. These Brothers and their wives spent three days moving furniture, setting up beds, hanging clothes, and helping the residents with their personal

belongings. In the short time they were in Utica, staff remarked how well they fit in, quickly establishing relationships with the residents while they worked in their rooms. As a testimony to how well it went, all four of our guests said they would look forward to helping again when the next move occurs. I would like to encourage all Brothers to follow the lead of Bill and Helen, and Pat and Barbara. Assist our Brethren at the Masonic Care Community any way you can. I thank Charles Uhle, District Deputy in the Dutchess District, who was instrumental in communicating the need for help and securing these four special people. ✕



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Damascus Shrine Center No. 2

# Shrine News

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Potentate - Bruce D. Chilton

## From the Potentate



Bruce D. Chilton  
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Damascus is alive and well and we are smiling. We are smiling because we are headed in the right direction. As you are all aware, our primary function as Shriners is to support our Hospital System. But we could not possibly do that without a successful, vibrant, Shrine Center. Damascus is a successful, vibrant, Shrine Center. We are having many successful events, by all measures. We are having fun, we are raising money for our Hospital Transportation Fund, we are sending an increasing number of patients to our Hospitals, we are increasing awareness of what we do and who we are and to date, we are on track to have a second year in a row with an increase in membership. That is the benchmark of success for a Shrine Center.

### Your Divan

I am very proud to be serving you as your Potentate and having the ability to be a small part of the success. As the baton passes from Potentate to Potentate, consistency is what will assure our success. The Divan that now serves you, does so as a Team. ALL decisions are made collectively by each of the members of the Divan. This process was started by Imperial when they formed the Board of Directors consisting of the 7 elected members of the Divan. That assured a better future for the Temples and the Shrine of North America. No longer could the year be "my" year. It now is and will continue to be "our" year. I am trying to say to you that the successes that we are sharing are a compliment not to one person, but to the whole Divan, and I want to make sure you are aware of that. I see many Divans and I am aware of many issues across the State.

At Damascus you can be proud of the fact that this Divan works together for the betterment of the Temple. For that I am thankful and I thank the members of the Damascus Divan, and urge you to do likewise.

### November 13th

As this issue hits your door and makes its first appearance on the website, one of the most significant events in a number of years will surely be upon us. That is the Noble Bring-a-Brother Night and Harvest Dinner. As of this writing, we have sent out over 40 invitations and responses keep coming in. We will have our Imperial Sir Raoul Frevel and his Lady, Rosie, with us, as well as, our Deputy Grand Master Neal Bidnick and his Lady, Joyce.

These fine gentlemen, along with their Ladies, will be helping US increase our numbers in membership and at the same time, showing everyone in the Masonic Family that we, as Shriners, relish the fact that first and foremost, we are Masons. We are now, and will continue to be, Shrine Masons.

That is a point that Raoul holds dear to heart and continues to hammer home whenever he speaks. You will hear him refer to this and DeMolay when he visits our Shrine Center. Raoul and Neal knew each other when they were in the DeMolay. They share the same goals for our Fraternity. They both know that one cannot and should not survive without the other. They both want to work together to increase membership in the Masonic Family and they both realize that having multiple Bodies in our Fraternity should not be viewed as competition. It should be viewed as a positive attraction to our Fraternity.

Just as some Masons gravitate to one Body or the other, we should look at that as what Masonry has to offer and the fact that it IS so varied allows us to offer many things to many people. We have history, ritual, community service, friendship, morality and the list goes on and on. November 13th will demonstrate our commitment to our Shrine Center, Shrinedom and Masonry as a whole and I hope to see you there.

### December

I have asked many of the Clubs and Units to "group up" for the annual Holiday Parties and the response has been positive. I thank you all for that. With a couple of parties, versus many parties, the quality and attendance will be much better.

I look forward to the remaining two months of 2004 and I hope to see and speak with many of you during that time.

Until then, ride safe and God bless.

## From the Recorder



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Today is October 11, 2004 and it's 45 degrees here in Rochester. Yesterday I was in Tampa and it was 85 degrees. Who said that life is fair? I spent a few days in Tampa for the Imperial Membership Seminar, getting my membership batteries recharged. During those two days of the seminar, they gave us a lot of new ideas for membership. But, no matter what was said and how they presented it to us, the bottom line is, WE NEED MEMBERS NOW.

So, that being said, our big chance to attract new members will be on November 13th, when the Imperial Potentate, Raoul L. Frevel, Sr., and Lady Rosie, as well as the Deputy Grand Master, Neal Bidnick, and Lady Joyce, will be in Rochester. They will attend our Noble Bring-a-Brother Night and Harvest Dinner. This will be an opportunity for you to invite a guest and his lady to join us for the day. Your guest will be the guest of the Shrine for the delicious Turkey Dinner following the Membership presentation. This will be an exciting night for you and your guest. Hopefully your guest will like what he hears and sees and will join the World's Greatest Fraternity and Philanthropy - The Shrine of North America. Remember, you must make a reservation for you and your guests.

Dues notices are in the mail for 2005. The incentive to pay your dues by the January meeting is that you will have to pay only \$1.00 for the Steak Dinner before the meeting.

Also enclosed in the dues notice are Shrine Savers for travel, car rental, moving van, etc. This is something new from the Imperial Headquarters. As time goes on, they will be adding more Shrine Savers.

Thank you to the Nobles and Ladies who have signed up for the Baltimore Imperial. All our rooms are gone. At this time, we do have a waiting list. If you still wish to be added to the waiting list, please call the Shrine Office and add your name to the list. We are trying to negotiate for additional rooms. There will be a Shrine Night at Camden Yards on Sunday evening, July 3rd. There will be an additional charge for tickets for those of you who wish to attend.

## Zama Temple Daughters of the Nile

By Sharon Spencer

I hope everyone had a wonderful Summer. I know that "Fall" is officially here because we turned on the furnace the other day and put away the deck furniture.

### Working together

The Next-to-New Sale was a success due to the efforts of many members of our Temple. Many special thanks to Betty Nohle, PSQ, and Ellie Canfield, PQ, who made all the arrangements. I thank all those who contributed items for sale, as well as, all the ladies and their Nobles who came and worked with us. Many hands make light work. Very special thanks go to our faithful and dedicated Joe Minas and his lady, Barbara. Joe is always there when we need him.

### Fashion Show

The Finger Lakes Nile Club Luncheon and Fashion Show was absolutely wonderful. For those who missed this function, you missed a lovely, fun-

filled afternoon with good friends and good food.

### New members

Official Visit of Supreme Queen, Hulene "Mickey" Fitzpatrick, went extremely well due to the wonderful work of the Officers. We brought in 3 new members who were warmly welcomed. Thank you, Jean Friedrich, PQ, for staying with the candidates while we were opening. Thank you Betty Nohle, PSQ, for tak-

ing care of the banquet arrangements.

### November

Our next Stated Session is November 13th, which is Founders Day. We are also having a Card Party and Dinner on November 20th at 5 p.m. at Webster Lodge. Dinner is Swiss Steak, mashed potatoes, vegetables and salad, followed by cards and a dessert auction. Please contact Debi Burke with any questions. I hope to see many faces there.

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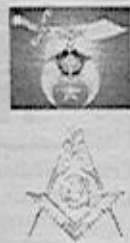
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## Damascus Shrine Presents Noble Bring-a-Brother Harvest Dinner

Damascus Shrine proudly presents an evening with Imperial Potentate Raoul Frevel and Deputy Grand Master Neal I. Bidnick November 13, 2004 at the Shrine Center



Noble Bring a Brother Program 4:30 pm Open to all  
Harvest Dinner Happy Hour at 5:30 pm  
Dinner at 7:00 pm

### Whole Turkey at each table

- Mashed potatoes, gravy, candied yams, warm cranberries
- green beans, tossed green salad, rolls and butter
- Pumpkin, Apple and Chocolate Pies for Dessert
- Tables of 8 Fez Business Casual Dress
- \$40.00 per couple Potential Candidates and their Ladies Eat Free

Damascus Shrine needs every Noble to take new membership personally. All of us know one or more Masons who would make good Shriners and be supportive of our great philanthropy. You are also encouraged to bring Non Masons who may join the craft and become Shriners down the road.

One of our speakers will be Imperial Sir Raoul Frevel, our Imperial Potentate.

Send your RSVP's as well as the potential candidates name, address and email address to Rich Friedman, 16 Kerry Hill Fairport, NY 14450. You can call in the information to 585 377-6175 or email it to richddgm@frontiernet.net.

If you and your guests are going to the Harvest Dinner that same evening you must make reservations under separate cover. No potential candidate is obligated to attend the dinner but we strongly suggest that it would be a further way to learn about "The World's Greatest Philanthropy." Potential candidates and their lady's eat free PLEASE HAVE YOUR CANDIDATES NAME (S) IN BY NO LATER THAN November 5, 2004.



# Shrine Lunch Club

President  
Jan Lughart  
352-4698

The Lunch Club is here for you and all Shriners, Masons and guests are welcome. Lunch is served each Monday at 12:00 noon, with a social hour starting at 11:00 a.m. Ladies' Day is the third Monday, which will be November 15th, when we try to have a guest speaker and our chef, Rene VanDeVeire, prepares a special meal for the Ladies.

Everyone save the date for the Lunch Club Christmas Party, to be held on December 6th, at the Shrine Center. A catered Buffet Lunch will be served at 12:00 noon. There will be entertainment for all and a poinsettia for the Ladies. This will be our last Lunch Club meeting for 2004, so save the date and bring your friends for an enjoyable meal and good fellowship.

See you at the Lunch Club. ✕

## Monroe District HiLights, OES

DDGM Rt. Wthy. Janet Porter 663-6719  
DGL Rt. Wthy. Roger Lynch 334-7953

We have just returned from Grand Chapter Sessions in Lake Placid where a new slate of State Officers was installed. New Grand Officers in Monroe District are Janet N. Porter, District Deputy Grand Matron, and Roger J. Lynch, District Grand Lecturer. Previously installed, Evy Ann Heller is serving as Grand Representative to Utah for two years.



District business is winding down for 2004, but some important events lie ahead.

October 29th, 6:30 p.m. Monroe District Banquet at The Party House.

November 6th, 12 noon. East/West Luncheon, Pineview Restaurant, Spencerport

November 10th, 7:30 p.m. - Reception for New Grand Officers at Webster Chapter Hall

December 10th, 2 p.m., eat at 4 p.m., District Christmas Party at Hilton Masonic Temple. Bring dish to pass and place setting.

Rt.Wthy. Roger and I are commencing plans for 2005, and we know Monroe District will give us full support. As you move into the holiday season, remember our veterans who served to preserve our freedoms, and pray for our active troops as they continue the endeavor.

Thought you'd like to try this Autumn recipe that Rt.Wthy. Carol Wynings shared with us:

### Pumpkin Dessert

1 15 oz. can, solid-pack pumpkin;

1 12 oz. can evaporated milk;  
3 eggs;  
1 cup sugar;  
4 tsp. pumpkin pie spice;  
1 18 oz. package Betty Crocker yellow cake mix;  
1 cup melted butter (or margarine);

1 cups chopped walnuts.  
In a mixing bowl, combine first five ingredients.

Pour this mixture into a greased 13" x 9" x 2" pan. Sprinkle with dry cake mix and drizzle with butter. Top with walnuts. Bake @ 350° for 1 hour or until a knife inserted near center comes out clean. Serve with ice cream or whipped cream. Serves 12-16. ✕

## NOLATKA Chapter No. 320

Order of the Eastern Star  
1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.

Matron Wthy. Cynthia Nielsen 889-4207

Patron Wthy. Robert Crystal 473-0279

Sec. Rt. Wthy. Carol Wynings 594-4692

22 South Main Street  
Churchville 14428

By Wthy. Alice Hassett  
**Meetings**

At our first meeting in September, we not only honored 50-year members, but we also celebrated our 4th birthday as Nolatka Chapter. Starting the evening with a fabulous Pot Luck Dinner, we moved on to the Open Meeting during which we counted 38 members and guests. Lined up on one wall were 41 teddy bears, of all colors and sizes, which we had brought to the meeting. These were later donated to the Chili and Scottsville Fire Departments, to help comfort small children whose families need the services of the Fire Department. During the meeting, Triangle Girls Jennifer Jeerings, Junior Advisor, and Gloria Taylor, Junior Lady, presented a Degree in which an angel gives a teddy bear to a child. The audience really appreciated the work done by these young women.

The following 50-year members were there to receive their Awards: Wthy. Anita Drake, 53 yrs; Wthy. Mary Jane Parry, 59 yrs; Sister Carol Pickworth, 55 yrs; Rt. Wthy. Wilda Robinson, 54 yrs; Wthy. Jeanne Spaulding, 56 yrs; and Wthy. Jean Stewart, 53 yrs. Some of the sideliners attending were Joyce Stephens from Lima, Louise Schwallensattle (former Oatka member), Patricia Delykas, and our own Sisters Linton Warner and Doris Ray. The meeting concluded with refreshments featuring a large birthday cake.

### October

On October 5, next year's Matron, Wthy. Antoinette Jeerings, practiced conducting the first part of the meeting, during Advancement Night.

On October 19, we held an Initiation Ceremony, and expect, by the time this goes to press, two brand new members to join our Sisterhood. Details in next month's article.

### November

Our November 2nd meeting, on Election Day, will feature Grand Sessions Reports.

Draping of the Altar will take place at our November 19 meeting. At this time, we honor our cherished Sisters and Brothers who have passed

on during this past year. Also, at this meeting, the quilt made by Rt.Wthy. Wilda Robinson will be on display for the last time. Be sure to take the time to admire it.

### Miscellaneous District Information

The Interfaith Service and Brunch was held on Sunday, October 24th at Logan's Party House, 1420 Scottsville Road.

October 29th was the District Banquet at The Party House on Beahan Road.

### Condolences

We extend belated condolences to Rt. Wthy. Diane Maltese, whose sister, Mary Camilla Weber, passed away on June 26th. We neglected to include this in our prior article, and want to extend sincere sympathies to Rt. Wthy. Diane and to her family.

Wthy. Florence Thayer's husband, John, died on September 28th. Chapter extends sympathy to her and to their family and friends as they deal with this loss.

We all will sorely miss M.Wthy. Walter R. Howe, who passed away on August 19th. Our condolences to his wife, Rt.Wthy. Althea Howe. His strength and courage as he battled cancer were inspirations to all of us.

### Birthdays

Birthdays celebrated in October: Sister Joan Fingar, Wthy. Eleanor Gascon, Sister Joyce Hooker, Sister Dawn Ireland-Monsees, Rt.Wthy. John Lenzi, Wthy. Edith Lewis, Sister Carol Pickworth, Wthy. MaryAnne Sovocool, and Rt. Wthy. Jean Webb.

Birthdays for November: Sister Patricia Alexander, Rt. Wthy. William Baxter, Wthy. Charles Daycock, Sisters Ethel Hall and Elizabeth Morris.

### Committees

Wthy. Cynthia Nielsen is looking for volunteers for refreshments for the November meetings. Please phone her. ✕

## Webster Chapter No. 171

Order of the Eastern Star  
1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Matron  
Rt. Wthy. Marjorie Fenton, 217-8904  
Secretary  
Wthy. Faythe Mattern 594-4449  
30 Orchard Street  
Webster 14580

Greetings to all. It sure feels like Fall as I write this article. Mother nature is turning our world to orange, red and yellow. We just came back from a camping trip to the Southern Tier of New York and the view was spectacular. Tomorrow we are off to Lake Placid to represent Webster Chapter at

### Webster Chapter, OES

## FALL CARD PARTY AND LUNCHEON

Monday, November 8th  
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Webster Masonic Temple  
30 Orchard Street

Donation - \$6.00  
Reservations  
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Marge - 217-8904

Grand Sessions. Hopefully, we will not be too late to see the colors - and it won't be too cold. BRRRR!

Our Neighborhood Picnic on September 21st was a great success. All in attendance, from many of the District Chapters, enjoyed a good meal and the presentation by Eloise Mullikgan about Bells. Several of our Sisters and Brothers brought their favorite bells and shared their stories.

### Welcome!

On October 5th, we voted to accept the petitions for dual membership from two Sisters from Germania Chapter - Erna-Jean T. Walker and Barbara Minas. Welcome Erna-Jean and Barbara. We hope you will attend many of the meetings of your new Chapter. We also honored our Brother Master Masons and, after a rather long meeting, anticipated enjoying Sister Karen Fisher's apple cake. Wouldn't you know it - the coffee pot decided to stop working, so no coffee. Great cake, though, Karen.

### Future events

November 2nd will be a regular meeting of the Chapter. November 8th is the semi-annual Luncheon and Card Party. Hopefully, by the time you read this, you will already have made your reservation and plan to attend. If you need more tickets for your friends, please call me at 217-8904.

### Sickness, distress and happy thoughts

Bob Zahn continues to have trouble with his arm. Wanda Williams' daughter-in-law, Nancy Williams, had surgery on her hip. Brother Wes Beard was scheduled to have surgery on October 15th. Our prayers and thoughts are with him, Sister Ruth and their family.

Oh yes, did I mention that I am a first time great-grandmother? Bradley Piers Goodridge (3 lbs. 8 oz) was born September 26th in Albany, Georgia - and I was there. What a thrill!

### Happy Thanksgiving!

Thought for the day: Advice is what we ask for when we already know the answer - but wish we didn't. ✕

## Tri-Star Chapter No. 209 OES

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

Matron  
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Patron  
Wthy. James Elliott (315) 597-4173

Secretary  
Rt. Wthy. Helga Haak (315) 597-4105

Palmyra Masonic Temple  
161 East Main Street

As I write this article, we will be getting ready to head to Lake Placid for Grand Chapter. We will be joined by three of our Sisters and Brother who have never been to Grand Chapter before. Everyone is encouraged to join. We learn from all the Reports what our Order has accomplished during the year. It is really very exciting.

We will not be having a Chapter meeting on Tuesday, November 2nd, as we will be having our Chapter Roast Beef Dinner from 4:30 p.m. until 6:30p.m. Price is \$8.00 at the door for adults, \$7.00 presale, \$3.50 for children. Give me a call if you would like tickets.

Our Tuesday, November 16th, meeting will be Draping of the Altar. We will also be celebrating Thanksgiving.

Starlighters will meet on Monday, November 22nd at 7:00 p.m.

The Wayne District Membership Committee will be hosting a Card Party at the Marion Masonic Temple on Saturday, November 20th at 2:00 p.m. It is open to the public. Snacks will be served. Come for a fun-filled afternoon.

If anyone wants to come to a meeting, but needs a ride, please feel free to give me a call at anytime. We would love to see everyone that wants to be there. We always have a great turnout and time. Also, I'm still collecting Campbell Soup Labels, Tops for Education and used postage stamps.

### Roast Beef Dinner

Tri-Star Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, will be having a Roast Beef Dinner from 4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 2nd, at the Palmyra Masonic Temple, Main Street. Price is \$8.00 at the door for adults, \$7.00 presale, \$3.50 for children. Call (315) 986-7173 if you would like pre-sale tickets.

The Wayne District Membership Committee will be hosting a Card Party at the Marion Masonic Temple, Main Street, on Saturday, November 20th at 2:00 p.m. It is open to the public. Snacks will be served. Call (315) 986-7173 for information. ✕

## 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

Well, I guess Fall is on its way. It is very cold out today. Our Summer was very short, but maybe next year will be better. All I ask is that we have a very mild Winter.

By the time you read this, we will have a Grand Officer in our Chapter. Rt.Wthy. L. Ronald Edwards will have been installed as an Associate Grand Sentinel. We all wish him well.

Rt.Wthy. Ron's Reception will be November 4th at Honeoye Chapter. Hope to see many of our members there.

I wish each and everyone of you a Happy Birthday or, a belated Happy Birthday, and best wishes to those of you who have served the Order for all your years of Service.

### Birthdays for October

18th - Ethel Peters

### Birthdays for November

1st - Ann Fox; 3rd, Katherine Gorton; 21st, Ann Kennedy; 22nd, Frances Johnson; and 23rd, Jack Cowan.

### Anniversaries

Jane Stanton 11/18/45  
Ruth Ledgerwood 11/18/62  
Helene Panzarilla 11/18/65  
Marie Trimbell 11/18/65  
Roberta R. Rex 11/23/70  
Eleanor Rouse 11/26/46

Have a great Thanksgiving. The Worthy Patron and I will be celebrating with our daughter and family in North Carolina. This will be the first time that we have gone away in many years. ✕





# Lalla Rookh GROTTO News

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



**Jerry Spero  
Monarch  
334-7616**

The September 20th meeting was our Past Monarchs' Night. This is the time when our Past Monarchs speak to those present about their time as Monarch of Lalla Rookh Grotto. It is important that we honor these Prophets as they assist and guide our Officers in the everyday operation of our organization. I can't thank them enough for their help during the year.

One Past Monarch present, was an unexpected arrival.



Grand Monarch, Philip Gicalone, Sr., PM, decided, on the spur of the moment, to visit Lalla Rookh Grotto. He was in Buffalo for the ESGA Fall Convention and drove to Rochester. He arrived early so he could visit with us and have dinner before the meeting. I am sure that this visit and the time and thoughts he shared with us will be remembered for many years to come.

At the Board of Governors' meeting on October 4th, we voted to make him an Honorary Life Member. He will receive a plaque so stating.

There are several events I need to share with you.

The Board of Governors' meeting will be held at our office on Monday, November 1st. All Prophets are encouraged to attend.

Our Monarch's Ball will be held at the Henrietta Holiday Inn (Holidome) at the corner of Jefferson and East Henrietta Roads on Saturday, November 6th. Cash bar will be available from 5:30 p.m. Pre-dinner ceremonies will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. Dinner will start at 7:00 p.m.

The Grotto Legion of Honor will be meeting at the Nutcracker Restaurant, 2159 Empire Boulevard, on Monday, November 15th. The social hour starts at 5:30 p.m. and dinner is at 6:30 p.m., followed by the meeting.

The Grotto meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 17th. It will be our Move-Up Night, and also, a Ladies Night, and we will have entertainment. Snacks and drinks will be available from 5:30 p.m., and a Chicken Bar-B-Que Dinner will be served at

6:30 p.m. For reservations, please call Norm Austin at 494-2223.

Orak Grotto, in Bradford, PA, will be holding their Monarch's Ball on November 20th. Contact either Ken Hutchinson at (315) 589-9021 or me at 334-7616, for information.

Our annual Childrens' Christmas Party will be held as a joint event with the Shriners at the Shrine Center on December 11th. Contact Al Pulcino III at 225-8471 for information. \*

## Grand Historian



Home phone  
(315) 589-9021  
Grotto office  
671-6320

**Kenneth Hutchinson, PM**  
hutchkv@yahoo.com

When you joined the Grotto and observed the ceremony, you heard the story of Princess Lalla Rookh and the poet slave, who turned out to be the king she was to marry. You were told the name of the poet. It is used as the secret password to enter a Grotto.

The Grotto's original Ritual was written by George Beal and Adon N. Smith, about 1886. It was later retooled by Rudolph R. Riddell. It was inspired by the book, *Lalla Rookh* by Thomas Moore (1779-1852), an Irish author. Many of the early Grottoes names were taken from the book. Listed below are the Grotto, location and the meaning from the book.

Mokanna, Hamilton - The King  
Khorassan, Illion - Part of India  
Lalla Rookh, Rochester - A Princess - "Tulip Creek"  
Azim, New York City - A Warrior  
Zuleika, Buffalo - A Royal Lady  
Cashmere, Elmira - A beautiful lake  
Iran, Troy - The East of India  
Zeba, Rome - Lute player  
Keder Khan, Syracuse - A Great Chief

Lalla Rookh inspired the romantic imagination with its heady combination of drama, poetry, romance, pathos, fantasy, horror and exoticism. The work first appeared in May, 1817, and was an immediate best seller, a second edition within three days and a sixth by year's end.

The book-length poem, *Lalla Rookh*, consisted of five tales. The first, "the Veiled Prophet of Khorassan," was Hakim ben Allah, surname Veiled (Mokanna) founder of an Arabic Sect in the 18th century. Azim, the hero, is duped into joining a revolt against Islam, lead by the evil Mokanna.

Mokanna, having lost an eye, and having been disfigured in battle, wore a silver veil to conceal his face. His followers said it was done to screen his dazzling brightness. He assumed himself to be a god, and maintained that he

## Jerry Spero, Monarch

had been Adam, Noah and others.

The poem, while difficult for some to read, is a kind of miniature Arabian Nights in subject matter setting. Its prose allay the journey of the Princess Lalla Rookh from Delhi to Kashmir, where she is to marry a young king, whom she has never met.

On the journey toward Kashmir, a young poet attached himself to the caravan and recited four verses of tales to entertain her, and they fell in love. She was unaware of his true identity until she arrived for the wedding, and discovered her future husband and the poet were one in the same.

Moore's verses are hardly read today. Many Prophets of the Grotto still look for his book, *Lalla Rookh*, in old book stores, selling for \$30 or so. Those who have a copy consider it a prize possession. The first printing, in pristine condition, could be priced as much as \$400.

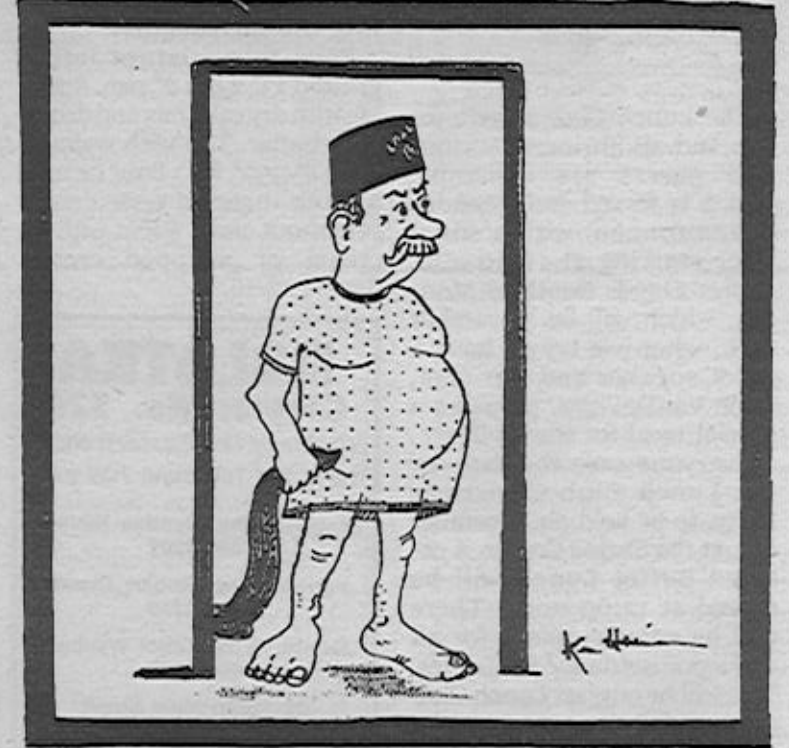
By 1851 it had illustrations added and by 1860 it contained over 40 illustrations. It inspired a drama, *Veiled Prophet*. In the late 1800s, several two, and three, act operas were performed in Italy and England. The last publication of the book was in 1901. \*

## Secretary's Corner

By Ken Hutchinson

We had a surprise guest at our September 20th Grotto meeting. Grand Monarch, Philip A. Gicalone, Sr., took time out of his very busy schedule to spend the evening at our Grotto. He was in Buffalo for the ESGA Fall Conven-

"They change my Bed every day---  
NOW I CAN'T FIND IT!"



tion and came to our meeting, honoring our Past Monarchs.

To the memory of our older members, this was the first time in decades that a Grand Monarch has visited our Grotto. We certainly gave him a warm Lalla Rookh welcome. It was an evening that will long be remembered.

## Sickness and distress

As of this date, Frank Murrer is on oxygen; Leon VanHuben, PM, is ailing from gall stones; Frank Ghyzel broke a bone in his foot; and Bob Sanford had recent carpal tunnel surgery.

Remember these Prophets in your prayers. \*

## Master of Ceremonies

By Norm Austin

The November meeting is our Moving-Up Night, as well as Ladies' Night, and entertainment is planned. We would like to see everyone at the meeting, to encourage the new slate of Officers.

Our social hour starts at 5:00 p.m., with dinner at 6:00 p.m. The dinner will be Chicken Bar-B-Que at \$7.00 person, and is by reservation only. The meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. Please call 234-0296 for reservations, so there will be enough food for everyone. See you and your lady there! \*

## Chief Justice

### Surprise! Surprise!

On Wednesday, September 15th, about 5:30 p.m., I received a telephone call from our Secretary, Kenneth Hutchinson, PM, informing me that the Grand Monarch was to pay a visit to Lalla Rookh Grotto, Giving us two hours advance notice. With many of our Officers already enroute to Buffalo for the ESGA Convention, the Grand Monarch was the first person to arrive at the Temple with no one to greet him. All's well that ends well, with cocktails, a delicious meal and a great meeting. Thank you to the Officers and Prophets.

Overheard at the dinner table was a telephone conversation from Kansas City to the Grand Monarch, "will you be attending the meeting this evening? Wow, I guess not. It's a long way from Rochester and

you only have ten minutes to get here!"

## ESGA Convention

The 78th Empire State Grotto Association Annual Convention was held at Hamburg, September 15th - 19th, hosted by Zuleika Grotto. The M.O.V.P.E.R. Grand Monarch, Philip A. Gicalone, Sr., was in attendance.

The theme for the conventions was Red, White and Blue. To enter the room for the entertainment, each person had to wear red, white and blue. The evening was enjoyed by all. The theme for the Bowling Tournament was patriotic. The ladies of Zuleika Grotto, along with ladies from ESGA, dressed as the statue of Liberty, wearing togas, faces painted green, with a crown and a torch. They called themselves the "Harbor Chicks." Even the Grand Monarch joined in. \*

## Legion of Honor

By Fred Cornell, Commander

This is my first article since May, but our Dinner Cruise was great! We had a total of 70 reservations and 66 attended.

We had our first meeting at the Nutcracker Restaurant in Webster, with 20 in attendance. This happened because of Bosdyk's untimely closing.

The meetings are set for the 3rd Monday at the Nutcracker, as everybody seemed to like the facilities.

Thank you, my Brothers, for your support. \*

## Caldron

By Susan Wilson, MCO

Caldron's 2004-2005 slate of Officers was sworn in on October 30th. The Ceremony proceeded flawlessly, and we all enjoyed the afterglow fellowship. Thanks to all who participated in the Ceremony, especially Daughters from other Caldrons.

The Daughters who attended sessions in Orlando reported having had a great time. However, the threat of Hurricane Ivan accelerated the sequence of events for sessions, and the convention wrapped up on Friday. The Lalla Rookh ladies were fortunate to be able to

## Attend Grotto Meetings

Mon., November 1st -  
Board of Governors  
Meeting, Shrine  
Center, 7:00 p.m.

Sat., November 6th -  
Monarch's Ball  
Henrietta Holiday  
Inn -  
Cash Bar 5:30 p.m.  
Dinner 7 p.m.

Thurs., November 11th  
Caldron meeting  
Unity Lodge

Mon., November 15th -  
Legion of Honor  
Nutcracker  
Restaurant

Wed., November 17th -  
Grotto Meeting  
Shrine Center  
Social 5:30 p.m.  
Dinner 6:30 p.m.

Thurs., November 18th  
Caldron Executive  
Committee - Home  
of Sue Wilson

Enjoy the  
Fellowship



schedule their flight home on Saturday.

Our next meeting will be November 11th, at 7:30 p.m. at Unity Lodge in Spencerport. I hope all Daughters will be able to attend.

Executive Council will meet on November 18th at my home, 278 Renouf Drive, Rochester.

Thanks to all who agreed to serve as Officers for the coming year. If we all pull together, we can have a great year.

#### Reminder

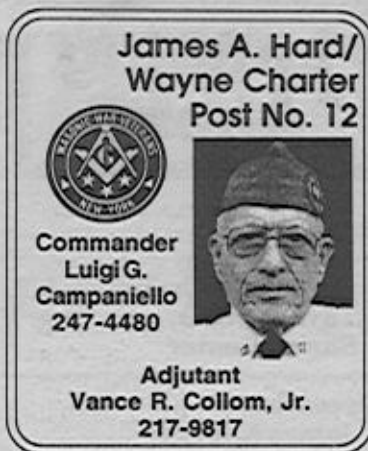
This is the year we finalize

the preparations for the 2006 Caldrion Sessions to be held in Rochester, as our own Daughter Beverly Murray will be serving as Supreme Mighty Chosen One that year.

Please note: Eligibility for Caldrion membership has changed. To become a Daughter of Mokanna, one need only be a relative of a Mason, and not only a relative of a member of the Grotto.

Keep safe and well. Until next time. ✕

By Lou Campaniello



Hello, everybody! I hope this article finds everyone in good health and spirits. Here are just a few words about meetings in the near future.

Our first event will be a Veterans' Wreath Presentation held on Veterans Day, Thursday, November 11th, at the War Memorial/Blue Cross Area. There will be a prayer service in the morning, with a break for coffee and donuts, followed by the Wreath Presentation. We would like to see as many members as possible dressed in uniform, if you have one.

There will be no meeting in November, due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Since I don't feel like cooking turkey for everyone, you're on your own!

There will be a Wreath Ceremony held at Charlotte Harbor in Remembrance of Pearl Harbor Day on Tuesday, December 7th. Time to be announced. Again, uniform is required, if you have one.

Please make a special note that a possible date for our annual Christmas Party is Thursday, December 16th. Confirmation of the date and further information to follow. ✕



The leaves are turning bright colors and soon will be falling faster than we can rake them. The sweet smells of apple and pumpkin pies are in the air. Autumn must be here again. That means Winter is coming soon right after Halloween and Thanksgiving.

The Treasury Department and Internal Revenue Service have issued guidance relating to the election to deduct the cost of certain tangible property and computer software. Regulations reflect changes to the law made by the Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2003.

The proposed and temporary regulations generally permit small business taxpayers to elect to deduct up to \$100,000 of the cost of qualifying property purchased and placed in service in a taxable year beginning after 2002 and before 2006. Additionally, taxpayers are permitted to make or revoke an election on an amended return for those taxable years without the consent of the IRS.

"The ability to expense up to \$100,000 of the cost of depreciable property will significantly reduce the record-keeping burden imposed on small business taxpayers," stated Acting Treasury Assistant Secretary for Tax Policy Greg Jenner. "In addition, the regulations greatly simplify the

manner in which taxpayers may make or revoke these elections and provide flexibility to small business taxpayers to ensure the election is to their advantage."

The temporary regulations are effective for taxable years beginning after 2002 and before 2006.

The Internal Revenue Service has seen an increase in tax return errors related to reporting securities transactions. To assist taxpayers in avoiding the most common reporting errors and omissions, the IRS is offering some helpful tips.

Errors are generally uncovered during routine audits or when IRS computers match income items against the recipients' tax returns. Payment records from payers — such as banks, brokerages, and mutual funds — are matched to look for reporting errors or omissions. If errors are found, the taxpayer is notified of any proposed additional tax, plus interest and applicable penalties.

Here are the most common errors, and more importantly, the ways to avoid them:

**Information Reporting Error:** Individuals neglect to amend their tax returns after receiving late or corrected Forms 1099-B, Proceeds from Broker and Barter Exchange Transactions, or similar information statements that report taxable sales.

**Tip:** Taxpayers should use Form 1040X, Amended U.S. Individual Income Tax Return, to correct a previously filed form. When reporting the revised securities transaction amount, a copy of the originally filed tax schedule that was used to show the gain or

loss should also be attached.

**Error:** Taxpayers fail to report income from securities transactions because they did not receive a Form 1099-B, Proceeds From Broker and Barter Exchange Transactions, or other information returns.

**Tip:** Whether or not a Form 1099 or equivalent statement is received, taxpayers must report all taxable sales of securities on Form 1040, Schedule D, Capital Gains and Losses.

Individuals, who sold certain commodities, stocks or bonds through a broker, generally receive a Form 1099-B or an equivalent statement. Brokers can also report sales transactions using a consolidated Form 1099 statement.

#### Figuring Gains and Losses Error

Taxpayers aren't properly classifying their capital gains/losses as either short-term or long-term when reporting them on Form 1040, Schedule D.

**Tip:** When investments are sold or traded, taxpayers must first determine the "holding period" for the property. The holding period is how long the investment was owned before it was sold or exchanged. To determine how long the investment was held, taxpayers should begin counting on the date after the day the property was acquired and include the day the property was disposed as part of the holding period.

Generally, if a capital asset is held one year or less, the gain or loss from its disposition is "short term" and is reported in Part I of Form 1040, Schedule D. If a capital asset is held longer than a year, the gain or loss from its sale or exchange is "long term" and is reported in Part II of Sched-

ule D.

It is essential that taxpayers include the "date acquired" and "date sold" for each securities sale to document that the property qualifies for short or long term treatment.

**Error:** Taxpayers neglect to show the purchase and sale amounts for securities on Form 1040, Schedule D. Instead, they show only the net amount of gain/loss.

**Tip:** Often taxpayers can't complete Form 1040, Schedule D sections for "sales price" and "cost or other basis" due to inadequate record keeping. However, individuals may be able to reconstruct this information through their broker, or research at a business library, or on the Internet.

The sales price can be determined from the Form 1099-B (or substitute statement), which is issued by the broker after the sale. This provides the gross sales price or a net amount if commissions and option premiums have been used to reduce the gross price. If the net amount is used on Schedule D, taxpayers should not include the commissions or option premiums as an adjustment to basis.

To determine the original price or "cost basis" of stocks or bonds, taxpayers should start with their purchase price, then add any costs of purchase — such as commissions and recording or transfer fees. If the stocks or bonds were acquired other than by purchase, then the basis is usually determined by fair market value or the previous owners adjusted basis.

The basis of stock must be adjusted for certain events that can occur after purchase.

For example, if more stock was received from nontaxable stock dividends or stock splits, the basis of the original stock must be reduced. Taxpayers must also reduce their basis when nontaxable distributions are received, because these are considered a return of capital. If taxpayers sell mutual fund shares that were acquired at different times and prices, they can choose to use an average basis. It's important to note that taxpayers have the burden of proving the basis of their securities. Failure to prove this when required can result in a basis determined by the IRS, or even a basis of zero.

**Error:** When reporting 1099-B sales on Form 1040, Schedule D, taxpayers are listing the payer or broker's name as the description of the property.

**Tip:** When reporting securities sales shown on Form 1099-B, taxpayers should list the stock ticker symbol or abbreviation to describe the property on Form 1040, Schedule D, not the name of the stock payer (ABC Brokerage, Inc.) involved in the transaction.

**Error:** Taxpayers don't list all their transactions, omitting those that resulted in no net gain or loss.

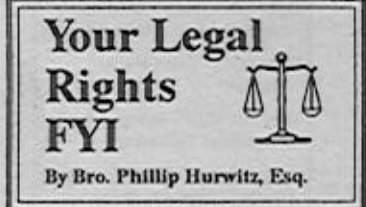
**Tip:** The sale of all stocks, bonds, mutual funds and stock options need to be reported on Form 1040, Schedule D, regardless of whether there was no gain or loss.

#### Upcoming calendar year taxpayer due dates:

October 31st - Payroll Reports due.

November 15th - October Payroll Taxes due.

If you have any tax questions, please forward them to [tmichie1@rochester.rr.com](mailto:tmichie1@rochester.rr.com). ✕



In my last article, I covered what happens when you are arraigned before a judge for driving while intoxicated; and how the judge decides bail. In this month's article, I will cover "suspension pending prosecution."

"Suspension pending prosecution" is a provision in the law which allows the judge to suspend your license at arraignment, pending prosecution of the case. Suspension of your license, pending prosecution, can occur under two sets of circumstances; each of which has its own criteria. The

first set of circumstances concerns the driver who has either killed or seriously injured another person; or has a prior DWI conviction within the preceding 5 years of arraignment. In these circumstances, the judge must suspend your license, pending prosecution, unless it can be shown that the complaint is based on second hand information; and fails to establish reasonable cause to believe that a crime was committed. The driver does have the right to challenge the Court's decision whether to suspend the license pending prosecution.

The second set of circumstances concerns the driver who is accused of operating his vehicle with a BAC of .08% or higher. As in the example above, the judge must suspend your license, pending prosecution, unless it can be shown that the complaint is based upon second hand informa-

tion; and fails to establish reasonable cause to believe that a crime was committed. In addition, the judge must have before him, a certified copy of a breath test reading or a chemical test reading. Without this certified document, the judge cannot suspend your license, pending prosecution. This suspension must occur at arraignment. The driver is entitled to a hearing to challenge the judge's authority to suspend the license. If after this hearing, the judge determines that there is reasonable cause to believe that the driver operated a vehicle while intoxicated, then the driver's license will be suspended pending the outcome of the case. At this juncture, the driver will not be able to drive for a minimum of 30 days.

At the end of this 30-day period, the driver may apply to DMV for a conditional license. This license basically

allows the driver to get to and from work; go to and from school; go to and from his doctor's office (or take a dependent to the doctor); and a designated 3 hour free time to go shopping.

Because we are a society dependent upon cars for our mobility, the law recognizes that suspension of driving privileges pending prosecution, may impose an extreme hardship. A driver may not be able to wait the 30 days necessary to qualify for a conditional license. Here, in Western New York, it is difficult to get to work by bus. Taking a taxi to and from work may be cost prohibitive, because of the distances involved between home and work. Given conflicting schedules, or distances involved, it may not be possible to obtain rides to and from work. If these hardships can be proven to a judge (i.e. bus schedule, taxi fare sched-

ule based on distance, affidavits from family members or co-workers), then the driver may qualify for a hardship privilege.

A driver who can demonstrate an extreme hardship, will still have his license suspended pending prosecution, but the judge may grant a hardship privilege. A hardship privilege basically allows the driver to operate his motor vehicle during the pendency of his case. Permission to drive is restricted under a hardship privilege. Those restrictions are basically the same as those imposed under a conditional license.

If the driver is later convicted of, or pleads to DWI, then his continued ability to operate a motor vehicle will either be suspended for a period of time or revoked.

I will cover the consequences of a DWI conviction in my next article. ✕



# In Memoriam

## September

### McCracken, Ellis R.

Ellis was 89 years old when he was called Home on September 23rd. He was a member of Damascus Shrine and is survived by his wife, Ruth, three children, five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

## October

### Suhr, Susan

Susan died peacefully on October 2nd at the age of 90 years. She was a member of Tri Star Chapter, OES, and leaves three children, eight grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

### Russell, William H.

The Great Architect of the Universe claimed Bill on October 5th at the age of 87 years. He was a member and Past Master of Seneca Lodge; Hiram Chapter, RAM; Rochester Consistory; and Damascus Shrine, and had served as a Director for the Masonic Service Bureau. Survivors include his wife, Helen, two children, and two grandchildren.

### Hetzel, Edith M.

Death claimed Edith on October 14th at the age of 99 years. She was a member of Webster Chapter, OES and is survived by her daughter, four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

### Kellogg, Ralph L.

The Loving Arms of the Lord embraced Ralph on October 15th. He was a member and Past Master of Wakan/Hubbard Lodge; District Deputy Grand Master of the 1st Monroe District in 1968-69; Rochester Consistory; Damascus Shrine, and had served as President of the Masonic Service Bureau. He is survived by two daughters.

### Neil, Gordon A.

ERAC Lodge and Rochester Consistory lost a member with the passing of Gordon on October 17th. He is survived by his wife, Peggy, and two sons.

This death was reported with no specific information.

### Lawrence, Norman

Norman was a member of Batavia Lodge and passed away on May 27th.

## Looking Ahead

**December 4**  
Scottish Rite  
Children's Theater and  
Toys for Tots,  
Shrine Center

**December 7**  
James A. Hard/  
Wayne Charter Post  
Wreath Presentation  
Charlotte Harbor

**December 11**  
All Masonic Bodies  
Children's Christmas  
Party, Shrine Center

**December 11**  
Chat Session with the  
Grand Master, Wayne  
District, Drumlin Square

**January 31, 2005**  
School of Ritual,  
Webster Lodge

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Service Bureau at 671-9730

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for additional information and reservations.

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Flower - Chrysanthemum

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 <b>Eunice Lodge</b> Caledonia Pancake Breakfast Election Day	2 Canandaigua - Shortsville West Star - Varysburg RAM - Palmyra/Eagle - OV OES - Irondequoit KT - Cyrene/Monroe - Pittsford Shrine Lunch Club	3 Clio - Hilton Craftsman Robertson - Shrine Center Garoga/Sincerity - Phelps Oakland - Castile OES - Fairport, Nolatka, Webster OES - Tri Star, Roast Beef Dinner, Palmyra <b>Election Day</b>	4 Attica Drumlin Square - Palmyra Livonia Olive Branch - LeRoy Damascus Shrine OES - Henrietta, Monroe	5 Constellation - Perry Eunice - Caledonia Hesperus - Bergen Northfield - Pittsford - OV Webster RSM - Palmyra Council - travel to OES, Honeoye OSY - Grand Lecturer's Convention, Waterloo	6 <b>Webster Lodge</b> Spaghetti Dinner 6-7 p.m. \$6 adult; \$3 Child 30 Orchard Street	7 OES - Rochester Chapter Unity Lodge, Spencerport OES MON - East/West Luncheon York Rites - West Region School of Instruction, Hesperus Lodge, Bergen Lalla Rookh Grotto - Monarch's Ball, Holiday Inn, Henrietta
7 <b>Attica Lodge</b> Pancake Breakfast  Clio Lodge Spaghetti Dinner Wednesday, November 10th East Avenue, Hilton	8 ERAC - Shrine Center Fairport/Flower City Mt. Vernon - Java Village Union Star - Honeoye Falls Unity - Spencerport Wakan/Hubbard - Penfield RAM - Excelsior - Shortsville Shrine Lunch Club	9 Arcade Batavia Fame - Irondequoit - 1* Seneca - Webster - OV Valley-Simes, Shrine Center RAM - Dansville, LeRoy OES - Leah - Hilton	10 Churchville Oatka - Scottsville Triluminar - Pike - OV Masonic Service Bureau Monthly Luncheon Meeting OES - Canandaigua Fenogowone - Shortsville, Corinthian Fellowship OES MON - Grand Officers' Reception, Webster	11 Eagle Valley - Bliss Milnor - Victor Union - Lima James A. Hard Post/Webster Chapter - Wreath Presen- tation, War Memorial RAM - Hiram KT - Batavia Commandery Lalla Rookh Caldron - Unity Lodge - Spencerport <b>Veterans Day</b>	12 Scottish Rite - 18*, Valley of Buffalo	13 Daughters of the Nile, Zama Temple - Fairport OSY - Association Meeting, Waterloo WYN - Road to the East, Lyons Fidelity Triangle - Public Installation, Fame Lodge Damascus Shrine - Noble Bring-a-Brother, followed by Harvest Dinner
14	15 Canandaigua - Shortsville West Star - Varysburg KT - Cyrene/Monroe - Pittsford OES - Irondequoit Shrine Lunch Club - Ladies Day	16 Clio - Hilton - 2* Craftsman Robertson, Shrine Center Garoga/Sincerity - Phelps Oakland - Castile OES - Nolatka, Tri-Star - Palmyra, Webster	17 Attica - OV Ark - Geneva Drumlin Square - Palmyra Livonia Olive Branch - LeRoy RSM - Doric Council, Pittsford Lalla Rookh Grotto Tall Cedars of Lebanon	18 Constellation - Perry Eunice - Caledonia Hesperus - Bergen - 2* Northfield - Pittsford - 2* Union - Lima - Table Lodge Webster - 1* Scottish Rite - 13* RAM - Western Star	19 Scottish Rite - 10*, Valley of Buffalo	20 KT - Sagoyewatha - Phelps OES - Rochester Chapter, Unity Lodge - Spencerport OES WYN - Card Party, Marion Scottish Rite - Movie Night, "National Treasure" Daughters of the Nile - Card Party & Dinner, Webster
21	22 ERAC - Shrine Center Mt. Vernon - Java Village Union Star - Honeoye Falls Unity - Spencerport - 2* Wakan/Hubbard - Penfield - 1* RSM - Nundawaga Council Shrine Lunch Club	23 Arcade Batavia Fame - Irondequoit Valley-Simes RAM - Dansville, Wyoming, LeRoy - Installation OES - Leah - Hilton	24 Churchville Oatka - Scottsville Triluminar - Pike OES - Canandaigua Fenogowone - Shortsville, Corinthian Fellowship	25	26	27
28	29	30	Thanksgiving Day			