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R.:W.: and Rev. Paul R. Gleason, Jr. Called Home by Great Architect

By Barbara Goodrich

The Masonic family, as well as many people in the Rochester community, have all suffered a loss with the passing of R.:W.: and Rev. Paul R. Gleason, Jr., on October 5th. All who knew this fine, gentle man, will remember him as a man of God, dedicated Mason and friend, who deeply loved Dottie and their family. Many have benefited from his hospital visits, wise counsel and insightful prayers.

Paul was born in Cambridge, Massachusetts on June 6, 1926. He received his BA Degree from Kalamazoo College and his Masters Degree in Divinity from Andover/Newton Theological School in Newton Center, Massachusetts. Before coming to Rochester, he served churches in Millbury, Massachusetts, and in Norwich and Lockport, New York. He was Pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church on Park Avenue from 1976 until his retirement in 1993. Paul served as Pastor Emeritus at the First Baptist Church in Fairport.

For several years he served as a counselor, providing general assistance to the small business community of Rochester.

Masonic Career

Brother Paul was Raised as a Mason in Olive Branch Lodge, Millbury, Massachusetts, on February 28, 1955. He later affiliated with Frank L. Simes Lodge, which is now Valley-Simes Lodge, where he served as Master in 1984. Paul was appointed Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge, F&AM of the State of New York, in 1972. He continued in that role until his passing. Other Grand Chaplain Offices he held were for the Royal Arch Masons, St. Mark's Council of the Red Cross of Constantine and as Chaplain for Damascus Shrine. He also was co-chairman of the Grand Lodge Necrology Committee.

From 1990 to 1991, Paul was the President of the Masonic

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Noble and Reverend Paul Gleason captured during the Shrine Spring Ceremonial presenting his memorable Fez talk to John G. Wihlen Class of new Shriners.

Mathew Gingold Receives MSB President's Award

R.:W.: M. Donald Darrohn, President of the Masonic Service Bureau, stepped off the dais while commenting on the efforts and dedication of an individual. Stopping at the Valley-Simes table, he put his hand on the shoulder of R.:W.: Mathew Gingold and presented him with the President's Award for Outstanding Service to the Masonic Service Bureau.

Mat has been a fixture in the production of the **Masonic Times** for more than twenty-five years. He assists with proof-reading the copy, has a knowledge of District activities that comes in handy when questions arise as to article content and has done the basic paste-up of reproduction copy for decades.

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November 11th Veterans Day

Whenever you see a Veteran during your routine daily activities, acknowledge their service to protect our freedom. They're easy to recognize as they usually wear a shirt or cap identifying the Branch of Service in which they served.

Stop and talk to them; give them a hearty handshake; ask about their Service background - what Outfit, how long in the Service and where they were in the Service. It will really make their day!

Sponsored by Grand Lodge Military Outreach Program
Tom Paglia, Chairman
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A Legacy of Service

Six Active Members of Supreme Council Visit Valley of Rochester



At the Symbolic Blue Lodge Awards Night last month, the Valley of Rochester welcomed all six New York Active Members of the Supreme Council, 33°, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America. No one could recall if or when this had ever happened previously in Rochester. (Front row, from left) the newest member, Stephen R. Whittaker; Harold L. Aldrich, Grand Minister of State; Peter J. Samiec, Deputy for New York. (Back row, from left) Frederick D. Greene, Edward R. Trosin and David P. Spencer. Additional Valley of Rochester articles and photos begin on Page 15 in this issue.

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Editor's Corner

I apologize. That's the best I can do right now. I have to stop crying in this column. Suffice it to say, last month's issue was very late due to technical difficulties. Some of you have heard the tale. Anyone else interested can inquire.

My biggest question is to the United States Postal Service. Why, at least ten days after the publication was delivered to the Distribution Center, was it still not delivered to several Brethren who were asking me where it was? That issue is something over which we have no control!

Christmas Party

I have received word that the Annual All-Masonic Bodies Children's Christmas Party will be held on Saturday, December 12th. Every year I encourage you, my Brothers and Sisters, to support this wonderful event.

Between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., the children have an opportunity to decorate their own cookies, write and mail a letter to Santa, make a pine cone bird feeder, have their picture taken with Santa, munch on snacks and ice cream and, maybe, take a whack at a Piñata.

The important things to remember are: 1) the program is geared for children ten and under; 2) parents are to bring a gift for each child, wrapped and labeled with the child's full name - these are discreetly provided to Santa, so each child receives a gift when he or she visits with Santa; 3) older siblings may attend, but should be coached so as not to spoil the fun/excitement of the event for any of the younger children. Be advised that it may be a boring time for them; 4) the time frame is not rigid - you come as you are able and stay as long (or short) a period of time as you want.

Toys for Tots

It is anticipated that a member of the United States Marine Corps will be there to gratefully accept new, unwrapped toys for their "Toys for Tots" Program. If it is within your means and you are so inclined, please support their program, as well.

Mark your calendar now and call the Masonic Service Bureau to let us know how many adults and children plan to attend. We want to make sure there are sufficient materials and goodies for all who are able to join us.

Scottish Rite members can help decorate for the party on Friday the 11th - check Page 17 for details.

Thanks for reading.

The Masonic Care Community Makes a Difference

The attached letter was sent to the President of the Board of Trustees of the Masonic Hall and Home, R.:W.: Donald

Darrohn. It really captures the essence of why all Brethren should take pride in the Masonic Care Community.

I hope this letter finds you in good health and enjoying the social activities of Summer. This was my first experience with the St. John's Day Celebration and I can tell you now it won't be my last. As a longtime member of New Jersey Freemasonry and active in the administration of New Jersey DeMolay, I became somewhat knowledgeable with the concerns and workings of its Masonic Home located in Burlington, NJ, and all its accomplishments. Upon retirement and relocating to the Adirondacks, I sought Dual Membership with the New York Grand Lodge and continued my DeMolay service through the Jurisdiction of New York.

I had heard much about the New York Masonic Community while attending DeMolay meetings on the Campus and from viewing the continual Masonic Service announcements provided by WKTU television station, but I never would have expected the level of care it provides. I would therefore like very much to share with you, and you in turn with the Trustees, my recent personal experiences concerning the Masonic Care Community.

Several years ago, my Mom, Alice Billias, a retired New Jersey school teacher, rigorously battled and survived several instances of cancer requiring a great deal of intestinal removal. Shortly thereafter, during a preliminary examination for cataract surgery, Mom fell and fractured her hip, requiring replacement. Recuperation after her hip surgery became quite serious. Her blood levels and coherence were erratic. Providing health and home care quickly became insurmountable and I began seeking advice and guidance from close friends and Brethren.

In January of this year, I was urged to contact the office of R.:W.: Brother Bill Luley for assistance. With the help of Kathy Contino-Turner and Mary Lou Pacific, arrangements were quickly made to have Mom transported from New Jersey to a room in the Saranac Household of the Adirondack Neighborhood in the Health Pavilion. An immediate physical evaluation was made, any needs were provided and assurance that all was well was constant and abundant.

Dr. Olteanu became her physician and immediately discussed her condition, treatments and goals with us. Mom became very appreciative of his expertise and manner; under his direction has made remarkable progress. So much so that she recently had the cataracts removed from both eyes without any problems whatsoever. She requires no further physical therapy, but enjoys attending the Physical Wellness Program and has no reservations concerning travel on the Campus bus to visit a referred physician.

Her Neighborhood Manager, Chris, makes sure her special dietary needs and medical prescriptions are as ordered. Her Social Work Assistant, Dan, takes special interest in her activities. No words can describe the importance of her two floor assistants, Louise and Todd, both of whom go above-and-beyond to make her environment enjoyable. My wife and I hear these names time and time again as Mom describes each and every event of her day. From the musical programs to the happy hours, she loves it all.

What is most apparent and pleasing is her renewed desire, now at the young age of 85, to become active in life again. She has assembled a collection of musical pieces and very much enjoys playing for her household on the piano which was provided. She shares a special rapport and concern for wellness with each and all of her household friends. Her most special hobby is sewing and again the Care Community has not only provided the means by allowing her to house and use her various machines but, in addition, provided encouragement to construct bags fitted for walkers, Care Community projects and even some in-house tailoring.

As if all of this wasn't enough, we have just learned that the Care Community will be assisting in an upcoming three day visit from her niece presently residing in Texas by affording room accommodations at a lower-than-reasonable rate. The services provided to the residents are seemingly boundless.

I cannot thank the Trustees enough for their insight, work and generosity concerning not only the needs of my family but for the countless families for which they help. I would hope this gratitude be expressed to the entire staff. We, as Brother Masons, are so indebted to your service and I am so proud to be just a small part of this Masonic endeavor which can only be described as the crowning jewel of New York Freemasonry.

Most Sincerely & Fraternally,
Frank S. Rice, Tyler
Dolgeville #697



Frank Rice and his Mom, Alice Billias, in her room on the Saranac Household.



Alice makes a point to get to the new Resident Wellness Center to work out.



Alice Biliias (center) with CNA Todd Lampman and Resident Assistant Louise Clark. Alice credits Louise, Todd and the Staff on Saranac for her recovery.

Paul Gleason

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Service Bureau. In more recent years, he offered the prayers at the monthly meetings.

Awards

The Charles Henry Johnson Medal is awarded by the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons in the State of New York to members of the Fraternity who have rendered distinguished or unusual service in furthering the good name of the Craft, its principles and purposes. R.:W.: Gleason received this award in 2005 from M.:W.: Edward Trosin. Other prestigious awards Paul was honored to receive were the Wendell K. Walker Builder of Men Award, the DeMolay Honorary Legion of Honor Award and the Distinguished Community Service Award presented by the Masonic Service Bureau.

All who had their lives touched by R.:W.: and Rev. Paul R. Gleason join with his wife, Dorothy, children and grandchildren in mourning the death of this honorable man.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted." Matthew 5:4.

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Scottish Rite 2010 Abbott Scholarships

Named for Leon M. Abbott, Sovereign Grand Commander from 1921-1932, the Scholarship Program provides financial support for continuing education of young men and women from Scottish Rite families and Masonic-related youth groups. Since 1951, more than \$3 million has been awarded to students from each State in the Northern Jurisdiction.

Eligibility

Requirements

- Be a **currently** enrolled Freshman, Sophomore, Junior or Senior at an accredited college or university with a **minimum GPA of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale.** (Freshman scholarships will be distributed after an acceptable GPA is submitted following First Semester);
- Be a **child or grandchild** of a Scottish Rite Mason in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction **or**
- Be a member of a youth organization sponsored by the Masonic Fraternity in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction or be a graduate of one of our 32° Masonic Learning Centers for Children.

Applications must be received by April 1, 2010 and must be complete for consideration.

Forms are available at: www.scottishriteonline.org or may be requested from the Valley Office (585-264-1160). Completed forms should be returned to:
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President's Award

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Right Worshipful Mathew Gingold served as Master of Valley Lodge (now Valley-Simes Lodge) No. 109 in 1963. In 1981 he was appointed a Grand Lodge Staff Officer, serving as a Grand Steward. Also a member of the Valley of Rochester, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, he has received the Meritorious Service Award (Red Cap).

The President's Award is granted on an occasional basis to an individual who has performed outstanding service to

the Bureau. Mat certainly qualifies and is well-deserving of this honor. Congratulations!

Following this presentation, R.: W.: Gary Sanford, Vice President of the Service Bureau and General Chairman of the event, introduced this year's Distinguished Community Service Award recipient, Sabra Wood. With a video program, Sabra explained the origin and function of *Sample Soap*, the organization she founded, which collects toiletries from individuals and dispenses them to the organizations who help the needy.

Performing under the motto,

"With a little effort and (almost) no money, we make a big difference and have a lot of fun. They have collected and distributed

over 18,000 items and 50,000 pounds of supplies.

Individuals can help by bringing home the supplies from their travels and hotel stays and turning them over to *Sample Soap*. You can ask at stores where you shop frequently if they have any discontinued products, any items that are "scratched or dented" or anything they just would like to contribute. Sabra, and her volunteers, are "making a difference - one bar of soap at a time."

For more information, visit: www.samplesoap.org, or call 234-1729.

Both Sabra and Mat received beautiful plaques, which were donated by NYRA Trophies and Awards, courtesy of Angelo and Michael DiCataldo.

Other participants included: Linda Zahn, who provided the Service bulletin covers and flowers that decorated the head table and dais; Rick Howe, musical accompaniment; Reservations and the Reception table were handled by Bev VanHuben, Barb Goodrich and Jan Porter; Jan and Barb also served as Ushers for the

Service; Joy Woodley chaired the kitchen crew, assisted by Ramona Dimino, Elaine Milner, Chris Hampton and Cliff Short; John Dudley and Terry Wihlen, Sr., were also members of the Committee.

Special thanks were extended to Illustrious Bruce D. Chilton, Potentate of Damascus Shriners, for allowing us to use the Shrine Center for this year's program, Deacon Wil Johnson, who represented the Roman Catholic Faith, Herb Spencer, who acted on behalf of the Jewish Faith, and Skip Waterstreet, representing the Christian segment of the Fraternity.



Table of toiletries brought by Interfaith Service and Brunch attendees for Sample Soap Project.



(From left) Past Winner Rosa Wimms (1992), a volunteer with Sabra in the Sample Soap Project, attended with other volunteers Alyssa Foss and Lyn Nadeau.



Sabra Wood receives plaque from Don Darrohn (bottom left) and shows it to audience, while holding envelope with check for use by her Sample Soap organization.

Don Darrohn, President of the Masonic Service Bureau, presents check for Sample Soap to Sabra Wood. Annually a cash award is given to charity of recipient's choice



Sabra Wood speaks to crowd.



Derek VanHouten congratulates Sabra on her award.



Rochester Forest No. 133
 Tall Cedars of Lebanon of North America
 4th Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.
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 Cy White, GTC (315) 597-9546
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By Don Brugger
Steak Roast
 The Steak Roast at Camp Smile was again a great success. Although receiving plenty of verbal assistance at the grill, Angelo DiCataldo patiently worked his usual culinary magic and supplied steaks done to everyone's satisfaction. A variety of dishes, brought by the attendees, were delicious and plentiful. Fortunately the weather was fabulous and all enjoyed the fellowship.

Two beautiful baskets of wine, cheese and other goodies, made by the Grand Tall Cedar's wife, Olga White, were up for grabs. Herb Spencer and Cora Paglia were the lucky recipients; the proceeds from this fundraiser and overage were donated to the Tall Cedars Foundation.

Informational fliers for our Holiday get-together at Rick's Prime Rib House, on Friday, December 11th, were handed out at the Steak Roast. Similar information will be distributed to the

membership by email, cards or phone calls in plenty of time for you to make your reservation.

District Deputy Visit
 We have not heard from our District Deputy of the 17th District, Kenneth E. Kempka, but we still have hopes that he will share his plans for visiting our Forest soon. The GTC emphasizes that all make an effort to be at the meeting. If there is to be a dinner with the DDSTC prior to that meeting, we will let you know via the Call Committee.

Elections
 Remember the Annual Election of Officers at our meeting on November 25th. If you are interested in helping out by volunteering for an elected or appointed office, please get in touch with the Scribe, Don Bell, the GTC, Cy White, or just show up at the meeting. Ted Powley is our present SDGTC and Joe Raubar is the JDGTC. We urge you, please, support your Forest and its Officers by attending this very important meeting.

The Installation of the newly Elected and Appointed Officers will take place at our January meeting; weather permitting.

Sickness and Distress
 If you would like to contact Gene Brown, please call Don Bell for his address. Don Freeman's condition remains the same.

Remember, Rochester Forest No. 133 is your Forest, let's re-Member it. We'll see you at the stump.



Poinsettia & Wreath Sale!!

A Cub Scout and Boy Scout Fundraiser

For quantity purchases...this is a great way for your Organization to show your Holiday spirit and concern for widows and/or shut-ins.

Your purchase will support the Scouting programs and their ideals. Please help build excellent citizens and aid in instilling foundations that make great Masons.

Poinsettias

Available in Red, Pink or White

- Small Plants \$6 each (One Branch with 2-3 flowers/4 1/2" pot)
- Medium Plants \$9 each (One Branch with 5-6 flowers/6" pot)
- Large Plants \$21 each (3 Branch with 12-15 flowers/7" pot)

Decorated Wreaths w/Bow

- Small (10" Inner Diameter) \$14 each
- Large (12" Inner Diameter) \$17 each
- Ex-Large (18" Inner Diameter) \$20 each

Please note: Prices are current estimates and subject to change. Volume discounts available.

Holiday Chocolates also available ...

- Assortment Gift Box (9 oz.) \$12 Box
- Peanut Clusters (7 oz.) \$7 Box
- Chocolate Suckers \$1.25 each

Please contact Joe Gingold at Home - 637-6008, Cell - 260-3195 or email at cptg03@aol.com

Livingston District

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District Deputy Grand Master Livingston District



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I can tell that Winter is just around the corner. As I write this letter, my wife and our two cats are snuggled up in a rocker next to the woodstove. Can flannel be too far behind? I hope everyone enjoyed a spooky Halloween and there was some extra candy treats left over for your personal enjoyment.

I am happy to report that my Official Visits are just about completed. So far, all Lodges are doing well and the Livingston District is, once again, in good shape. My thanks to all Masters, Secretaries and Treasurers who have made my visits pleasant and easy.

Thank you, R.: W.: Roy Moses, for co-ordinating and organizing our Grand Lecturer's Convention once again. On behalf of Roy, I extend our thanks to all of the Brothers, the Past District Officers and Lodge Officers who took the time and effort to participate this year. A

special "kudos" to the Brothers of Phoenix Lodge who were this year's host.

Special Recognition

Now that I have finished the presentations, I congratulate the 50-Year Apron recipients who I have had the pleasure to meet and give them their gift from our Grand Master, M.: W.: Edward G. Gilbert. The next time you see, Brothers Larry Whiteman, Allen Roggen, Jim Slocum or Francis Stanly, congratulate them on reaching this spectacular milestone.

We will be starting the combined District *Masonic Development Course* this month. Please check out R.: W.: Joe Shanks column about the particulars. This course is always a fun set of three classes and you are pretty much guaranteed to learn something new.

Table Lodge

On a more Fraternal note, Union Lodge will be holding their 7th Annual Table Lodge on Thursday the 19th. The Guest Speaker will be R.: W.: Tim McMullin, Junior Grand Warden. If you are interested in joining them for dinner, please contact W.: Mike Grady.

Upcoming Events

It is always great to hear how well all the Masonic Degrees in the District are going and it is good to see the Candidates progressing. Please remember to let us know if you are looking for assistance with your future Degree teams.

Brothers in the District - don't forget the Livingston District Association meeting will be Monday, November 23rd, at 7:30 p.m. at Livonia Lodge Hall. The Association Vice-President, W.: Steve Shull, will need your attendance numbers for the dinner, which will be starting at 6:30 p.m. It is important that you plan to attend to learn what the other Lodges in our District are doing for the next couple of months.

Grand Steward Livingston District



R.: W.:
 Joseph Shanks
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Brothers, as you read this, all our Official Visits will be over.

The *Masonic Development Course* dates are November 11th, December 9th and January 13th. All sessions will be held at Eunice Lodge Hall in Caledonia, starting at 7 p.m.

Road to the East dates are February 6th, 13th and 20th at Eunice Lodge Hall, Caledonia. All sessions start at 9 a.m. sharp.

It's nice to see we have lots of Degree Work going on in the District.

My wishes to everyone for a great Thanksgiving. Thanks for all your support.

Nunda Station Lodge No. 682

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



Master

W.: William R. Wright, Jr.
 476-2383

Secretary

R.: W.: Gerald J. Hussong
 476-2739

I take this opportunity to thank the Brothers for electing me Master of our Lodge and, believe it or not, I actually enjoy it. I make most of the meetings and like to be involved.

The September 28th Livingston District Association meeting was well attended. It is great to have as many members as possible attend these meetings so all Lodges can be well informed. We welcome Masters, Senior and Junior Wardens and all Brothers who would like to get off the couch and out of the house. There is always a dinner and a lot of Masonic friendship; Nunda Station members usually arranges carpools. You are always welcome, so give me a call and we'll get you to a Livingston District Association meeting.

Message for November Read Your Trestleboard!

Your Trestleboard is giving you vital information about Lodge meetings and upcoming events. It is even a good idea to transfer the Trestleboard information to your calendar. The District Grand Lodge Team Official Visit was on October 6th. A delicious dinner was served by members of the Eastern Star. The

surprise of the evening was a large birthday cake to honor R.: W.: Edwin Dickson, a 58-year Masonic member. He was celebrating his 90th birthday and was happy to have all his Masonic friends there.



Ed Dickson's 90th Birthday was celebrated the night of the Official Visit.

We held a 2nd Degree on October 20th and, hopefully, a group of new Brothers are on the way to being Master Masons. There is a lot to learn and memorize for 1st and 2nd Degrees, and then the 3rd Degree is conferred upon them. They will look back and see that the work involved was well worth it ... being a Master Mason is a title not everyone can claim.

A few Brothers and guests from Nunda Station Lodge attended the 196th Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of the State of New York held in Henrietta. There are a number of members of our Lodge who belong to DeMolay Commandery.

I hope all of you have a grateful Thanksgiving as you gather with family again this year. Be thankful for your Masonic friendships. Remember to READ YOUR TRESTLEBOARD!

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Fall has finally arrived and the leaves and temperature are falling. Half of the Official Visits have been made and they seem to be going well. The Master's message, *Back to Basics*, is informative and fun to deliver.

O/S/Y Awards

The O/S/Y Awards Banquet was a great success. Approximately 100 people attended and several awards were given, such as the Eagle Scout award, three DSA awards and the Daniel Carter Beard Masonic Scouter Award. I received 12, 50-year Aprons to hand out, three of which were presented at the Banquet. Congratulations to those who received Awards and thank you for your dedicated service. The last award that was

given was the E. Platt Soper Award. Special congratulations to W.: Al Mann from John Hodge Lodge in Naples, this year's participant.

Our guest speaker for the evening was R.: W.: James Sullivan. Thank you for the inspiring words. You are always most welcome in our District.

Degree work has been going strong this last month. Thanks to the AGLs for their contribution to helping all the Lodges with their Ritual. The harmony in our District is strong. Many Brothers have stepped up and helped with the Degrees. If additional help is needed, feel free to contact the AGLs as they are more than willing to do so.

The Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.: W.: William Valois, is getting together with R.: W.: Dave Locke to put together a *Road to the East Course* and a *Masonic Development Course*. When dates are set we will post them on the website. Speaking of the website, if you have any functions in your Lodge (Degree work, dinners, charitable events or important dates, etc.) please contact R.: W.: Ken Hall at flintlock@rochester.rr.com and he will post them for us.

Attendance for the Grand Lecturer's Convention was down a little this year, but those

who attended were well received. We had a fun evening and a great learning experience. R.: W.: Charles Toombs worked well with the young Brothers and gave several inspiring words.

Brothers, a number of our Lodges are having problems with the Ritual. May I suggest that you have some practices outside of Lodge nights? We should be proficient and proud of our work. We request that our new members be proficient before they move on to their next Degree, so we should be the same. If you need help, there are many Past Masters who are more than willing to assist; all you have to do is ask.

Finally, may you have a safe and Blessed Thanksgiving. God bless.

Eagle Lodge No. 619

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2nd & 4th
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What a beautiful Fall we all enjoyed. It is hard to believe Thanksgiving is just around the corner.

September's Hotdog Stand Fundraiser at the Naples Grape Festival was a great success in spite of the weather. Saturday's

weather was beautiful; Sunday, however, brought some rain which kept the crowds away. Brother Bob Helling once again chaired this event and he did his usual masterful job. Thanks to all the Eagle Brothers and Star Sisters for giving up their precious weekend time to support this fundraiser. The proceeds of this event are split 50/50 between the Chapter and the Lodge.

On October 13th, Eagle Lodge and Eagle Star Chapter held a Brother/Sister Bring-a-Friend Night. The evening was preceded by a Potluck Dinner. Though the results of this evening are unknown (due to the deadline for the *Masonic Times* November issue), it is my fervent hope that both the Lodge and the chapter will need to brush up on their Degree work.

Fundraisers

Our next two fundraisers are the Entertainment Books and the Citrus Fruit Sales. The Entertainment Books have been available since our August Steak Roast. Please contact Brother Thomas Shafer (229-4105) for book sales.

Our other annual fundraiser is Citrus Fruit Sales. This fundraiser provides the bulk of our financial resources and will be kicked off at our October 13th meeting. We urgently need all our Lodge Brothers to put in a solid effort to get out and sell fruit. All fruit orders will be due by November 14th and fruit pickup (at the Lodge) will be on Saturday, December 12th and Sunday, December 13th. Fresh, ripe, delicious citrus fruit makes a great holiday gift.

We have a very special program planned for our November 10th Lodge meeting. A representative from the Scottish Rite will be visiting and will present Lodge Ritual books to our newest Master Masons. After this presentation, our own Lodge Secretary, Worshipful Kenneth Milner, will present the Lodge Walk-About for the benefit of our recently Raised Brothers: William Gillie, Michael Cline, and James Helfer, Jr. Please come and join in the fellowship and fun.

Upcoming Events November

10th - 7:30 p.m., Program - Scottish Rite Presentation and Lodge Walk-About Program
 19th - Spaghetti Dinner, 5-7 p.m. Help is appreciated
 24th - Officers' Meeting, 6:15 p.m.

24th - 7:30 p.m., Program - History and Symbolism of Miss Liberty

December

8th - 7:30 p.m., Program TBA
 17th - Spaghetti Dinner - 5-7 p.m. Help is appreciated
 19th - Poinsettia delivery
 22nd - Lodge is Dark - Happy Holidays

These dates are also available on our Eagle Lodge "Members Only" Website, which can be found at:

www.eaglelodge619.org

If you are a member of Eagle Lodge and haven't enrolled, simply click on the link below the "Members Only," fill out the form and an account ID and password will be emailed to you.

Sister Holly and I wish you and your family a joyous, warm and loving Thanksgiving.

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If you noticed that there wasn't an article for Ark Lodge in the October issue of the **Masonic Times**, it was because with the September 10th deadline we hadn't yet had a meeting and not much had changed since the August writing.

At our September meeting, we voted on a Petition for Membership and will, by the time you read this, have conferred the 1st Degree. Tom Abraham will (did) sit in the East for the Degree.

We also discussed our investments and decided to move the monies we have in CDs to a series of conservative-targeted funds with the Vanguard Group.

The November meeting will be the Official Visit of the District Deputy Grand Master, R.: W.: Ron Galens. We haven't yet discussed it in Lodge, but we traditionally meet at Emile's for dinner prior to the meeting at 6 p.m.

Our December meeting will be the Christmas Party. We had a great turnout last year and look forward to the same this year.

I hope to see many of you at our upcoming meetings. Do good works.

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My thanks to all the Brothers and other helpers who made our Annual Turkey Dinner held on September 19th, a success. It was a lot of work, but was well worth it.

At our last meeting, it was decided that the Annual Turkey Dinner would now be held on the 3rd Saturday in September instead of the February date. It was felt that this is a better date for all Brothers who are usually out of town during the Winter

months will be able to help. In addition, we will not have to deal with snow.

Planning Ahead

January 14th - Staff Official Visit

As of the writing of this article, it looks like we will have a couple of Candidates. We will be doing our Degree Work as follows:

- January 28th - 1st Degree
 - February 25th - 2nd Degree
 - March 25th - 3rd Degree
- Again, thanks to all who helped make the Turkey Dinner a success.

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Greetings Brethren, I thank everyone for a job well done on our 1st Degree, which took place on October 6th. The 2nd Degree is scheduled for November 3rd. Remember, we also will have a Potluck Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

On October 7th, the Ontario/Seneca/Yates Grand Lecturer's Convention took place at Garoga-Sincerity Lodge Hall. R.: W.: Charles Toombs, Grand Lecturer, went over the 2nd Degree Ritual, Etiquette and Protocol. Some of the things he touched on were Floor Work and how Officers should wear their Aprons. He also talked about the new Brothers and why it was

so important for the long-time Brothers to mentor them and make them feel a part of the Lodge. Congratulations to Garoga-Sincerity Lodge for qualifying for the Howard Potts Award.

I thank the women and the two Senior high school students who prepared and served dinner that night; it was a wonderful meal. Thanks again, a job well done !!!!

Please remember to mark your calendar that December 1st is the Official Visit of our District Deputy Grand Master Ronald Galens, and his team.

Last but not least, a big Thank You to our District Deputy Grand Master, R.: W.: Ronald Galens, and both of our AGLs, R.: W.: Clayton Ruggles and R.: W.: Bruce Huie for hosting the Grand Lecturer Convention at Garoga-Sincerity Lodge and for making it so successful.

November Birthdays

November birthday greetings to the following Brothers: Stephen Phillips (1st), Paul Adams and William Sergeant (7th), James Allen (8th), Robert Bird and Don Henning (10th), William Hargrove (12th), Robert Kloepfel (15th) and Douglas Nicot (17th).

Masonic Anniversaries

The following Brothers were Raised in November:

- 1946 - Charles Romeiser
 - 1955 - Donald Fridley
 - 1972 - Thomas Pardington and Elliott Schocken
 - 1974 - Jack Resnik
 - 1975 - Terence Mays
 - 1981 - Daniel Guth, Gary Yancey and William Peterson
 - 2001 - Ronald Galens, Donald Romeiser and William Smith
 - 1990 - Paul McIntyre and Clayton Ruggles
- May God Bless each of you.

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By Doug Poole, Secretary

There doesn't seem to be enough time to accomplish all we have to do. Wouldn't it be great if we had a rule to help and guide our use of the 24 hours of a day. Luckily, as Masons, we do have a guide. Shame that most people don't have our luck.

November 4th is the Official Visit of our DDGM, R.: W.: John Cook, accompanied by R.: W.: Wayne Patridge, Grand

Sword Bearer. We are looking forward to their visit and hope they find everything ship-shape.


Our Building Committee is quietly working in the shadows. You may notice that a lot is not being said. It is not from inaction but due to practicality. Several deals have fallen through from several hands stirring the pot. And it seems every time we announce we are close, the deal goes bad. As soon as we are secure, you will receive the Summons. **Our goal is a self-supporting location in LeRoy.**

According to my records we have no November birthdays. That just means I am sure of no birthdays up to about 30-year members. There may be in the 40-year plus crowd. I do the best I can with most of my records being locked in a 48-foot trailer and, due to an unnamed genius, they're packed at the far end where they can't be reached. They warned me, being Secretary was a tough job!

See you in Lodge.

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Official Visits
November

2nd - North Rose-Wolcott Lodge, 7 p.m.; Dinner, 6 p.m. Place to be determined. Also, presentation of the 50-year Apron to W.: Marvin Jay.

10th - Marion Lodge, 7:30 p.m.

16th - Newark Lodge, 7:30 p.m. Also presentations of the 50-year Apron to Brothers William K. Brightman and George D. Sherman, providing they are able to attend.

If anyone is interested in attending a dinner prior to these Official Visits, please contact the Masters of these Lodges. At this writing, there hasn't been a confirmation as to a dinner nor

time or place it is to be held.


A reminder ... nominations for Dedicated Service Awards for 2010 are to be postmarked no later than November 14th.

In the last article, I neglected to thank the five Brothers of Wayne District who either accompanied me, or met us, to the State Fair on August 31st. I was reminded of my error when I received the following from R.: W.: James E. Sullivan, Past Senior Grand Warden, later in September. If memory serves me right, over 250 kids were processed that day:

Please extend my sincere thank you to the Brothers in your District who helped with the Safety ID program at the State Fair on August 31, 2009. The Western Region had 38 Brothers from the Cattaraugus, Genesee-Wyoming, Livingston, Niagara-Orleans, Ontario-Seneca-Yates, Steuben and Wayne Districts. These Brothers had a great day and worked hard. I appreciate all the assistance they provided.

If I can be of any help to you or the Lodges in your District please contact me.

*Thanks again,
 Jim*

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The Fall term is well underway now. We enjoyed Columbus Day at the Grand Lecturer's Convention at Drumlin Square Lodge. The *Masonic Development Course* began on October 15th at Sodus Lodge.

The November session will be on Thursday, November 19th, at 7 p.m. at Sodus Lodge. We will be discussing the 2nd Degree and you are welcome to join our group. Everyone's experiences and opinions enrich the *Course* for all participants, so don't hesitate to join us on the 19th at 7 p.m.

As I have said at the Official Visits, the Leadership and Education Committee recommends

that the *Masonic Development Course* be offered at individual Lodges. This will increase the social contact between "young" Masons and "experienced" Masons. What better opportunity to pass on Lodge history and traditions and strike up new relationships in your Lodge?

I am pleased to announce that Brothers James Champagne, of Wayne Lodge, and Lloyd Sears, of Clyde Lodge, have each completed another reading course from the Chancellor Robert R. Livingston Masonic Library of the Grand Lodge. I look forward to presenting them with their Certificates of Completion again. Information pamphlets about the reading courses are being left at each Official Visit. Ask your Secretary for one.

As always, if I can be of assistance to you in answering a question or providing an educational program, please contact me. That's my job as Grand Steward. I work for the Brothers of Wayne District.

Marilyn and I wish you a Happy Thanksgiving. May you enjoy it with friends and family. God bless America.

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What a month ahead of us, with the expectation of Petitions from October's Brother Bring-a-Friend Night. Brothers Joel Talbo and Andy Richardson really put forth great efforts to Chair that event and they are to be commended for their efforts. The Lodge is looking forward to Balloting in the coming weeks.

The meeting on November 4th will be dedicated to our Vet-

erans, past and present, and a program is scheduled by our State Chairman of Veterans Affairs, R.: W.: Thomas Paglia. We look forward to a good turnout.

Please take a moment on November 11th to remember the sacrifices of those who have insured our freedom, not only in the past, but are doing so each and every day.

This month is also the kickoff of the Holiday Season - Thanksgiving, followed by Christmas and New Year's. Where has the year gone? The Lodge could use your help and would welcome your participation in upcoming events. Your suggestions are always appreciated.

Auction Night is coming up shortly, when we raise funds to support our Bereaved Spouses Dinner. We also hope to have a Table Lodge in the near future. We need your attendance and input to keep our Lodge active and well. Your Brothers are waiting to shake your hand. ❧

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Warden and both Deacons were required to earn the bonus points this time. Three other Lodges had two of the three Officers attending - Unity, Union Star and Oatka. Thanks to all of the Lodges for encouraging their Brothers to attend. I think everyone had a good night and I encourage you to give us feedback about the evening or input on topics you would like to see us cover in the future.

The top seven Lodges for the 2009-2010 School of Ritual Banner are Clio, Unity, Wakan-Hubbard, Valley-Simes, Oatka, ERAC and Craftsman Robertson. It is still early in the year, there are two Schools left, and the competition remains wide open. Keep working hard to get your Brothers out. There are six Lodges with an opportunity to wrest the banner away from Unity. Who's going to step up this year?

Upcoming Schools

The next two Schools of Ritual will be held on January 20, 2010, at the Damascus Shrine Center, and March 31, 2010, at Oatka Lodge in Scottsville. The program for both evenings will begin at 7:30 p.m. Programs are still being developed, so feel free to share any ideas you may have. ❧

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We hope everyone enjoyed the crisp frost that covered the landscape as we approached November. The pumpkins of Halloween are now just memories as we are now only weeks from that white stuff that so many around here enjoy each year ... yuk!

We had the opportunity to enjoy a very good repast at Oakta's Table Lodge back in September; a job well done by their Junior Warden, Brother Steve Phillips who handled all the details. They went so far as to order the proper "cannons" and obtained Masonic Daggers (swords) about 12 inches in length for an additional phase of the ceremony. This writer has enjoyed many Table Lodges over the years and this ranks up with the best of them. I remember years ago when ERAC still met in East Rochester and the Table Lodge was set up in the Lodge Room with candlelight and Black Tie for the festivities.

November Official Visits

November 9th - ERAC
November 10th - Seneca
November 23 - Unity

We have enjoyed the annual visits to the Lodges where we have broken bread with you and brought the Grand Master's message to the District. Both R.: W.:

Mike Nohle and R.: W.: George Todd have expanded on aspects of the Most Worshipful Edward G. Gilbert's message and have included the importance of a proper mentoring program and opportunities of our Masonic Family Fellowship Committee.

We have seen an increase in turnout at our Schools of Ritual and thank the efforts of our Very Worshipful Brothers for their dedication in providing YOU, the Brothers, with thought-provoking subject matter. It also helps that they have added a new impetus in awarding additional points for the Attendance Banner for the District.

Someone once said, "Never volunteer for anything." Boy, did they miss the boat! At the Official Visit of Clio Lodge, I volunteered to help at the Hilton Apple Festival in the "Hot Meatball Sandwich" headquarters for the day. I joined W.: Frank Celona, R.: W.: George Todd, Dale Waterhouse and several other meatballers. We couldn't believe the thousands of hungry people who feasted on meatball subs, onion rings, apple Sundays, fried apple sticks, apple sausage, chicken sandwiches, cheese fries, fruit smoothies and other mouthwatering morsels. My thanks to Clio Lodge for allowing me to witness how they communicate with their community.

By the way, they have a 12-foot by 24-foot tent that comes with a raised wooden floor that they will rent out for a suggested donation of \$100. It is blue and white and comes with side curtains.

In closing, Henry Ford once said, "One of the greatest discoveries a man makes, one of his great surprises is to find he can do what he was afraid he couldn't do." This can apply to learning Ritual and a whole host of other situations in life. May God Bless. ❧

Fall is here and it's time again to get out in the woods. I look forward to the hunting season because it is the time when I can go out and enjoy the solace of God's natural world. It is a time of reflection for me. A time to consider all that-is happening in my life and if I'm on the right path.

Almost never am I able to answer this question for myself nor am I able to solve all of the world's problems. However, it is always helpful to take a brief moment and ask these kinds of questions of one's self. My level of awareness is raised as I continue down my path. Also, there is a definite therapeutic benefit to having this time to myself in the peace and quiet of the woods. I hope for all of you that you get or take the time to do the same. Even if you do not hunt, take the time to get out and experience the natural world, which is so precious and so fragile. It will surely do you good. I look forward to our continuing official visits. See you in the quarries.

Keyword - Language

The word "Language," according to the Encarta Dictionary is a noun which means communication with words or the human use of spoken or written words as a communication system. This is again a most important keyword. The use of Language has resulted in all achievement, accomplishment and greatness in the history of the world. Language is a very powerful tool and, if one can command the use of it, one may possess great power.

Great leaders use language to persuade their followers. Realizing this, we can conclude it can be used for both good and evil intentions.

Take, for example, Adolf Hitler. He used language to persuade the masses. His power of persuasion stemmed from his effective use of language. Obviously, this is an example of how language may be used to carry out evil intentions.

Consider Winston Churchill or Franklin Delano Roosevelt and how they used language to rally the allies to victory against Hitler. There are countless other examples of how language has influenced the course of our world. I encourage all of you to master language and vocabulary. It will take you far. ❧

By V.: W.: Hugh Woodside
School of Ritual Report

V.: W.: DeHollander and I were pleased to see the strong School of Ritual attendance on September 29th at Clio Lodge and hope everyone who attended had an enjoyable evening. I am happy to report that we had 70 Brothers from 12 Lodges, including 60 Lodge Officers. Thanks, in part, to the Masters and Wardens meeting that was held prior to the School, we had 11 Worshipful Masters, nine Senior Wardens and seven Junior Wardens in attendance.

Congratulations to Clio and Wakan-Hubbard Lodges for earning the five bonus points for Officer attendance - the Junior

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Our first meeting of this year was a great success. It was good to see so many of the Masonic leadership of the Monroe District present. All but one of the District Lodges were represented. Remember this is your forum and items passed at these meetings are to keep you in tune with what everyone else is doing throughout the District.

Agenda Items

The agenda for the evening covered the "Have-a-Heart" Campaign presented by W.: George Foehner.

R.: W.: George Todd announced the dates for the *Masonic Development Course (MDC)* and the *Road to the East (RTTE)*, emphasizing that all Brothers would benefit by attending these programs - especially the Senior and Junior Wardens.

R.: W.: Derek VanHouten reported on the Child ID Program and the need for each Lodge to have a representative to coordinate the Program for their respective Lodge. W.: Bill Fleisher mentioned the Brotherhood Fund kick-off meetings are coming soon and that each

Lodge must have a Chairman to run that event.

Check the Dates

The previously posted Masters and Wardens meeting schedule has been changed to coincide with the Schools of Ritual. Additionally, the consensus of those present to hold our meetings every other month has led to these changes. Therefore, the next meetings will be:

November 30th - at Spencerport Masonic Hall ... 7 p.m. - Dinner; 7:30 p.m. - Meeting.

January 20th - at the Shrine Center ... 6 p.m. dinner; 6:30 p.m. M&W Meeting; 7:30 p.m. - School of Ritual.

March 31st - at Oatka Lodge Hall ... 6 p.m. dinner; 6:30 p.m. M&W Meeting; 7:30 p.m. - School of Ritual.

June 29th - at Webster Masonic Hall (Hosted by Seneca Lodge) ... 6:30 p.m. - Dinner; 7 p.m. - Meeting.

It was certainly encouraging to see the large turnout at the September Meeting, but let's keep the spirit going. One of the many important functions of this group is to provide the individual Lodges with a method to seek help when they need it. As always, you can call me at 278-7389 or email:

phdoc007@yahoo.com. ❧

Who has

the
Traveling
Gavel?

By Erik Loepker, Chairman
Recently, Northfield Lodge had their Brother Bring-a-Brother Night. It was well attended, but I keenly felt the absence of seven additional Brothers. After all, my Lodge has been hosting the Traveling Gavel for ages (well, two months anyway). We've received warnings and boasts about how it was going to be taken from us ... verily wrested from our grasps by no less than three (count 'em!) Lodges! The anticipation has grown and grown over the weeks, until on October 1st, at our Brother Bring-a-Brother Night, a few of us stared for-

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lornly at the Fraternal Relic, and a comment was made, "It's just sad."

Brother Jason Zona, our Senior Deacon, has begun to cast imploring glances at me during our Communications while looking meaningfully at the dust-covered symbol. I understand ... he seeks permission to dust it off. But, I fear that with such repeated brushings this icon would suffer the fate of any object subjected to such repeated gentle chafing ... it would eventually be whittled away under our care. Will nobody come to rescue it from such a fate? Where are those stout hearts who proudly boasted their incipient visitation?

With each passing meeting, our exuberance at being able to welcome and fete our Brethren wanes as we slowly succumb to emotional inertia ... dragged down by the solemnizing idea that nobody will be coming. Are we becoming what we dread? The stale custodians of bygone times, tending to the wisps of fading memories that cling to objects that were once most expressive?

Perhaps you can help? Just you and six Brothers need to show up to retrieve the Gavel. The time has never been better! The snow has yet to fall, and if you get it now, you may be able to hold onto it over the Winter. No single Lodge has yet such an insurmountable lead that another crafty Lodge with dogged participation couldn't possibly catch up. That could be you!

For now, the Gavel still resides at Northfield Lodge at 17 Church Street, in Pittsford. Northfield meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 7 p.m., with occasional exceptions. To find out their current Trestleboard, call their information line at 586-2976, or go to their website at:

www.northfieldLodge.org. "

Monroe District New York Masonic Safety Identification Program

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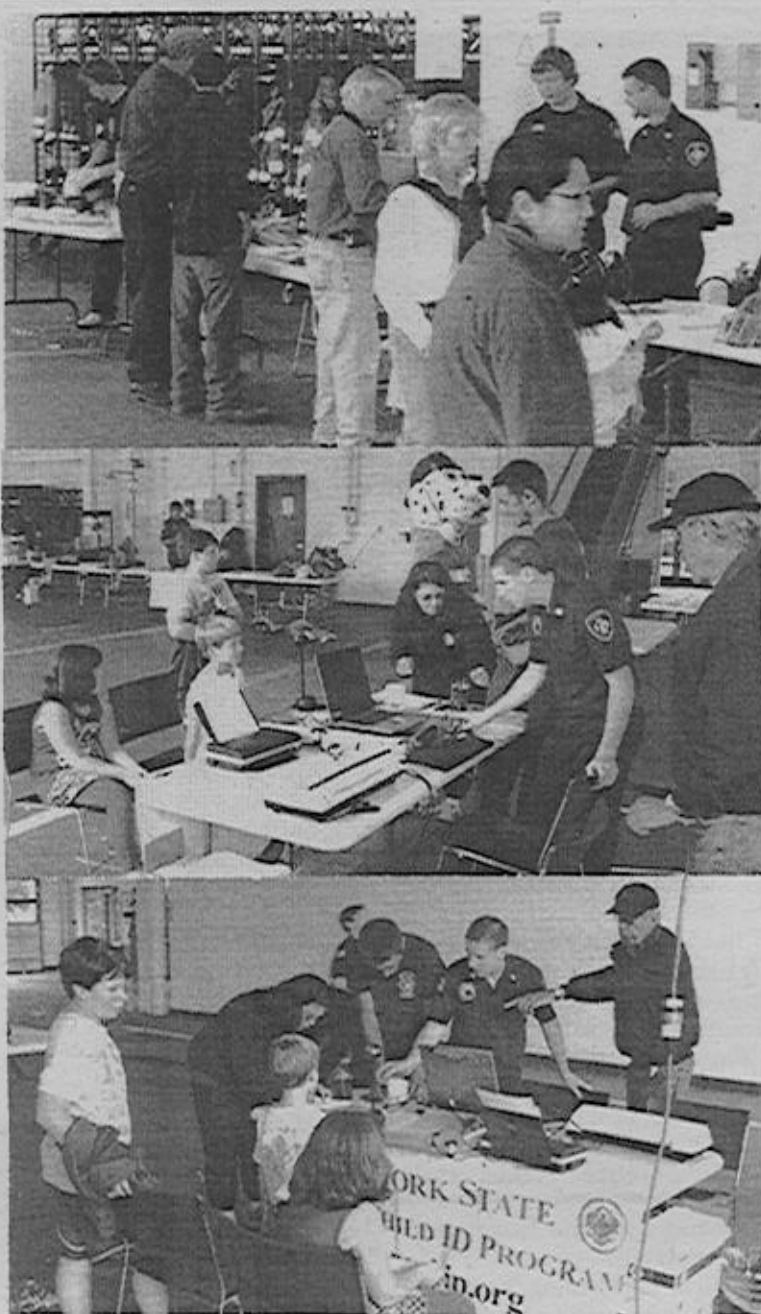
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The New York Masonic Safety Identification Program (former CHIPS Program) always, always needs your help. We reach out to you for your help for the remainder of this year as the NYMSIP Team is looking at more ways to bring Masonry and the Program to the forefront, filling the gaps where children and senior (seasoned) citizens can be identified so the authorities can rescue them if they stray. If any of you have a loved one in a nursing home in Monroe County, please alert the home that they should be in contact with us to schedule an event.

We held several CHIPS events with Churches and FASNY-Fire Departments at Sodus in Wayne County; in Bushnell's Basin; Spencerport, North Greece and Lakeshore Fire Departments.



New York Masonic Safety Identification Program in Fairport.

W.: Gary Werth of Seneca Lodge, O/S/Y District; W.: Jim Deasey and W.: John Dudley of Northfield Lodge, held a Child ID Program at the Christ Risen Church in Fairport on October 17th. Amy Deasey and Sue Lerch were there to assist the Brothers. Approximately 20 children were processed in 2½ hours. The equipment ran fairly well (only one re-boot on each system), and the children were great to work with.

An added bonus was that most of the kids were dressed in their Halloween costumes, guaranteeing a great photo moment for years to come. A special thanks to Brother Rick Downs and his wife for working with us on scheduling pick up and drop off times, as well as training. Overall, it was a very good experience. Thanks!

Perhaps next month your names will appear here as helping us with this worthwhile activity. We would like to schedule as many events as possible and team with fire departments, police and all Lodges and Concordant Bodies. If any of you are members of FASNY, talk it up within your departments. We want to reach those children who are not involved in the school CHIPS Programs and probably the most at risk.

Please think of opportunities where this can be done. If you are holding a health fair at your Lodge or if your community is hosting a festival where you feel we could implement a CHIPS event, feel free to contact us. We have requested that each Lodge have a coordinator to help us staff these events. These events are not just a local Lodge event, but a County and Grand Lodge event. It is a great recruiting tool for new members.

Information about the Masonic ID Program is available online at: www.nychip.org

We are always looking for Volunteers to help with the program. We can be reached most easily by email to schedule an event at daturman@yahoo.com or rcdowns@rochester.rr.com. You can also contact Don Tubman at 889-4725.

Regretfully, Tom Perrone has business conflicts and can

no longer be the CHIPS Training Coordinator. Tom was terrific in this role and will be missed. Sean Brown, Wakan-Hubbard Lodge, will be coordinating training activities. "

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September 16th found the Brothers of Oatka calling on tradition to get the year off to a great start. With R.: W.: Derek VanHouten, DDGM, and several other guests in attendance, the Lodge hosted a memorable Table Lodge. A fine seven-course meal accompanied much good-natured fun and fellowship. W.: Mike Morris, Past Master of Fairport-Flower City Lodge, delivered an excellent keynote address. Having just

purchased Dan Brown's *The Lost Symbol*, Worshipful Brother Mike discussed how the much-anticipated new novel paints a positive picture of our Fraternity, which will hopefully lead to increased interest in the Craft. The Table Lodge has been traced back as far as the original Lodges of 1717, and will hopefully become an annual tradition here in Scottsville.

New Candidates

Our Fall Class of Candidates will be welcomed to the Craft on November 11th when they are Initiated as Entered Apprentices. Our Secretary, Brother Erik Crandall, has written to Grand Lodge to obtain a Dispensation for initiating eight Candidates on that date. The Assistant Grand Lecturers for the Monroe District will ensure everything is in order during the 2nd Degree on December 9th, and the new Brothers will be Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on January 13th. Oatka has been fortunate to have a strong group of recently Raised Brothers, and the work of many members to bring them in continues to pay off.

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All-You-Can-Eat Spaghetti Dinner Saturday, November 21st 5-7 p.m.

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However, the work is not limited only to increasing membership. Renovations continue on the new upstairs restroom as well as the Fellowcraft Room, which has been expanded. The efforts of many Brothers, led by Junior Warden Steve Phillips, continue to improve those spaces.

Sickness and Distress

Our hearts remain heavy as we remember the passing of Brother Rich Fimbel, Jr., in early August. Our condolences go out to Rich's family for their loss.

Also, our thoughts and prayers are with W.: John Pascucci, DSA, and Brother Rob Wise, who continue to face the challenges of their serious illnesses.

Spaghetti Dinners

Spaghetti Dinners are back on track. Bring friends and family and join us November 21st, from 5-7 p.m. at the Lodge Hall. Help for these dinners is always welcomed.

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By Erik Loepker

It's nearly time for Thanksgiving! Many families I know have a tradition to actually mention for what they are thankful around the celebratory dinner. If you don't, perhaps you could give it a try at this year's gathering. You can be surprised by what some people hold thanks for in their heart ... especially children.

In that vein, I'll start by congratulating W.: David Adams, the recipient from our Lodge for the Scottish Rite Symbolic Blue Lodge Award. It is our way of saying thanks to a man who has been a steadfast Brother and friend, dispensing good advice and counsel where needed, and never being afraid or hesitant to roll up his sleeves and lend a hand. Brother Adams has exhibited enthusiasm for even mundane tasks, and possesses a generous attitude and guileless charm. We are very fortunate indeed to have him with us, and for that we are thankful.

Another item for which we can give thanks is a very successful Brother Bring-a-Brother Night. It was truly wonderful to meet local sojourners as well as a few faces that hadn't been around recently. Brother Erik Loepker presented his review of Dan Brown's *The Lost Symbol*, which was received very well by those present, and the night was capped off with general hobnobbing, getting to know new Brothers, and catching up with the old.

Our Trestleboard for November currently shows:

November 5th - 1st Degree; Formal Dress, please

November 19th - Past Masters' Night

November 24th - Officers' Meeting

As always, you can get information from our web page at www.northfieldlodge.org or by calling 586-2976.

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By Brad Lewis

The Fall foliage is turning beautiful and the weather is turning colder. Autumn is always one of my favorite seasons to appreciate the creation of the Great Architect. Take a minute in your busy schedules to appreciate the wonderful tableau of nature that's all around you this time of year.

I recently finished reading Dan Brown's new book, *The Lost Symbol*. The author of *The Da Vinci Code* has chosen to write about Freemasonry set in Washington, DC. While Mr. Brown is not a Brother and couldn't have written the book without violating numerous obligations, he portrayed Freemasonry in a generally positive light and was quite accurate with his

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Halloween has passed and Daylight Savings Time made us turn our clocks back an hour. So we get an extra hour of sleep, maybe. Election Day is on the 3rd, so don't forget to vote. Later this month we will celebrate Thanksgiving Day. Many of us have a lot to be thankful for, so look back and think about it.

On a somber note we have lost one of our stalwart members of Masonry. On October 5th, R.: W.: and Reverend Paul Ray Gleason, Jr., laid down the Working Tools of Masonry and was called home by the Great Architect of the Universe. The memorial service for our Brother Paul was held with over 100 Masons in attendance. There were Brothers present from many of the Lodges and other Bodies of Masonry plus two Past Grand Masters. Our heartfelt sympathy and condolences to the family. Paul, we will miss you.

Sickness and Distress

It was reported that Brothers William Scheer and Jose Diaz are still in need of cards and calls. Brother Bill is at home recuperating and may even be at the November meeting. He still requests no visitors, as he is susceptible to infection. He would entertain phone calls at home - 473-9375.

Brother Jose was in and is out of the hospital. He is in treatment with Chemotherapy and Bone Marrow. You can try the home phone - 266-6405.



Webster Lodge performs Fall "Adopt-a-Highway" Program. (l-r) Ron, Paul and Kim Soltzick, Henry Libera (Chairman), Nick Haldoupis, Dave Allen and Ken Cross. Photograph by John Clapp

facts. It makes a pretty good read if you liked his other books.

Masonry is strong at Webster Lodge. On September 17th we held our 1st Degree with five Candidates initiated to the Degree of Entered Apprentice. My compliments to the Officers on a fine Degree with J.W. Paul Kolacki conferring, S.D. Bill Gross, Q & A by Joe Louis and Allyn Borrino, lantern lecture by W.: Bill Edwards, and the rest of the Officers all doing a nice job to introduce the Ritual of the Craft to our new Brothers. I was proud of everyone that night and it shows that all the hard work they put in the Degree paid off.

On October 1st we welcomed R.: W.: Derek VanHouten, R.: W.: George Todd and

R.: W.: Mike Nohle to Lodge for their Official Visit. It was great to hear about everything that is going on in the District under their leadership and their plans for this Masonic year.

Upcoming Events

November 5th - 2nd Degree conferred by S.W. Scott Cronk. Please attend and support Scott and our new Brothers.

November 19th - we will have a lecture by W.: Bill Edwards about Masonic Tracing boards as well as a Lodge of Remembrance. This promises to be an educational and emotional evening. Bill has done a great deal of research on this topic and it will be fun to learn about the Symbols of our Craft, which these tracing boards communicate to us.

choose, wish them a very Happy Birthday. Maybe even go and have lunch with one or more.

Richard DeCroe (1st), Joe Weber (2nd), Arthur Cohen and Harry Steinorth, Jr. (21st), David Ogden (26th) and George Stear (27th).

Masonic Anniversaries

For the month of November we congratulate our Brothers who celebrate membership of this Masonic Fraternity with all these Years of Service (YOS).

Carl Ester (63), Douglas Torrance and Wallace Wagner (61), Robert Anderson, Richard Van Zandt, Wallace Roworth and Frederick Stahl (58), Harvey Stiles (57), Daniel Miller (49), Robert Knyrim (48), William Scheer (46), Robert Anderson II and George (Tim) Gray (41), Herbert Spencer (40), Nelson Bertch, Glenn Stahl and Melvin Corson (36), Joseph Bishop (35), Martin Suter, Robert Guilfoil and Rob Steinorth (31) and William Carr (25).

Reservations for dinner are requested. Remember the "A reservation made is a reservation paid." Your contact for reservations is Mike Hueston - 509-0606 or email: mph0523@frontiernet.net

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Thoughts of R.: W.: and Reverend Paul R. Gleason fill my mind. Brother Gleason's wonderful journey through life has come to an end. I cannot help but think of the incredible

encouragement he has offered me throughout my time in Masonry and, more specifically, as I have advanced through the Line. Be it publicly, or through wise, quiet counsel, his advice and teachings have always been received with the greatest respect and gratitude. Brother Gleason was a classy, learned, insightful gentleman and, as all great men who have passed before us, he will be widely missed. He has left an indelible mark on Masonry and all of us who continue on. The bar has been set, Brethren, and especially for those of us who are newer to the Craft; an example of life lived well given, to which we should all aspire.

October

A large thank you to R.: W.: James Sullivan for his wonderful talk at our opening meeting of the year. A well attended meeting, especially for the first one out of the gate. It was great to get our year started on the right foot. Congratulations to our Officers who did a very nice job with the Ritual.

Brother Bring-a-Friend

It was another great night with over 40 Brothers and guests in attendance. Our Junior Warden, Mike Knolls, and his crew of John Hellaby, Jim MacDuff, Ahmad English, with a big assist from Oscar Wilson, provided an outstanding steak dinner. Thank you to R.: W.: Richard Friedman for his heartfelt turn as emcee and to Brothers Patrick Mulrooney and Bruce Katz for their contributions to the evening. Based upon initial response, it appears we'll have a busy set of Degrees in our near future!

Schools of Ritual

The first of two evenings on instruction have been extremely well attended across the District. ERAC has been well represented thus far, but we can ALWAYS find room for a few more of us!

Upcoming Meetings

November 9th is Official Visit. R.: W.: Derek VanHouten, District Deputy Grand Master, will be in attendance and it is anticipated that he will be accompanied by Grand Stewards, R.: W.: Michael Nohle and R.: W.: George Todd. We will be balloting on all petitions for the prospective Brothers this evening.

November 23rd the 1st Degree will be conferred. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m. with the Degree to start PROMPTLY at 7:30 p.m.

Queries from the East

How's it going so far, Brothers? Questions, suggestions, feedback? I'll take it; the door is open. We're about to get extremely busy, so please don't wait to let us know how you feel your Lodge is functioning.

Masonic Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following Brothers who were Raised in November (years): Frederick Holderle (71); John Wihlen (64); Robert Nephew (61); Laverne Ingalls,

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Alexander Arthur, Jr. (60); Leland Comstock (59); Leon Perkins (58); L. Ellis Mentis and Harold Metzler (56); Donald Smith (52); Donald Osbourne (50); Dominic Dezio (48); Henry Meech (46); Andrew McNaught (45); John Williams, Murray Kellogg and Franklin Granata (43); Carl Beckwith (42); Erwin Newell (38); Hubert Watlack, Robert Taft and Joseph Cropro (35); Paul Moran (30); Roger Pogrow (28); Arthur Mason III and Arthur Torey (25);

Andrew Paterson, (24); Lewis Perna (22); Stuart Schneider (17); Souheil Wehbe and Phil Hurwitz (16) and Andrae Evans (14).

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Upcoming Events

There will be a Social Evening at the Lodge on Saturday, November 7th. The event will begin at 7:30 p.m.; we will have a buffet, music and just plain old socializing. The price will be \$10. Contact Junior Warden John Lemke at 317-4791 for details and reservations.

The 1st Degree will be conferred on Candidates on November 9th. Dinner before the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

The Official Visit of the District Deputy and the Grand Lodge Staff Officers will be on November 23rd. There will also be a dinner that night.

To make reservations for either or both dinners, contact Tom Michielsen at 352-4831.

November Birthdays

Congratulations to these Brothers who are celebrating birthdays in November:

David W. Jones and Joseph J. Privitera (1st), Garry Hutchurson (3rd), Russell A. Bird (4th), Tyler W. Ekwel and Robert F. Novak (5th), William A. Chapman (6th), Robert L. Bellman (8th), Thomas J. Brusso, William W. Peterson and Lawrence A. Thibault (11th), Anthony Marotti (12th), Andres Alvarez (15th), William A. Farnsworth and Robert C. O'Hara (19th), Martin K. Michaels (24th), Christopher M. Harness (26th) and Orlo L. Noxon (27th).

November Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following Brothers Raised during the month of November:

1936 - Homer H. Schantz
1946 - Richard G. Felgner and Ralph H. Smith
1948 - Robert T. Irwin
1951 - Michael Friedman
1952 - John E. Evans, Jr., William N. Fredenburg and Ronald C. Hamman
1954 - William A. Farnsworth and William H. Steele
1956 - Frederick R. G. Steele
1958 - Charles D. Clark and Orlo L. Noxon
1960 - Elmer O. Semmler
1961 - Ferman E. Bailey, Keith L. Bower, John R. Lee, Edward G. Ruoff and Donald A. Sarver
1962 - Gordon E. Davis and Charles R. Frear
1963 - Warren R. Dewitt
1964 - Karl F. Janson
1965 - Donald E. Freeman, Sr.
1967 - Harry W. Buss
1968 - Colin R. Baker, Eugene G. Brendel, Leroy Lester, Thomas W. Maddicks and Ray E. Mandeville
1969 - John A. Page
1970 - Ronald J. Arndt
1973 - George D. Deichert
1975 - William Dunn and Rudolph J. Youngman
1976 - Jeffrey A. Lebanon and Jerry F. Luedemann
1977 - Robert F. Novak and Scott Simpson
1978 - Robert L. Bellman, Richard R. Bellman and John W. Little
1979 - Russell A. Bird and Joseph J. Privitera

ner is at 6:30 p.m. and the talk will begin promptly at 7 p.m. WIVES, FRIENDS, GUESTS are all welcome to attend this fun evening. Make your dinner reservations with Junior Warden Roger Lynch at:

tc45410@aol.com

The 2nd Degree will be conferred at our November 23rd meeting at 7:30 p.m. We need a lot of Brothers to be there for escorts and to help with parts in the Degree Work. See Hugh Woodside if you can help with any of the work that night.

Sickness and Distress

I wish to report that R.: W.: John Tijou is recovering nicely at home after a bout that landed him in the hospital in September.

Brother Scott Blystone will have undergone surgery in October and we wish him a speedy recovery. A successful surgery will help Scott defeat a long-standing digestive system problem that has been difficult for him.

Brother Sam Ruggeri will also have had some surgery in October and we wish him a speedy recovery also.

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Thanks to all Brethren who helped in the Degree work for the Grand Master's Edict. Again the questions and answers were great.

I hope this finds all of you well. We had the first year ever where we did not lose a Brother over the Summer. This is great news. Keep the health of our members in your thoughts and prayers.

I thank the Brethren of Oatka Lodge for a great Table Lodge in September. I really enjoyed the fellowship for the night.

Upcoming Events

November 12th - Awards Night for 50 and 55 years of Service. The program is on the stairs we climb. Dinner is Turkey, stuffing, vegetable, potato and dessert, \$9.

November 26th - no meeting enjoy your Thanksgiving

Lastly, I'm looking for ideas for the Valentine's Ladies Dinner, so bring your ideas early.

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Where has the time been going? September and October have whizzed by like in a fleeting moment of time! It's unbelievable that we are finding ourselves staring at that Thanksgiving Turkey in his eyeballs again already!

At our last meeting in September, we Initiated five Entered Apprentices and we expect to Initiate five more at our October 26th meeting. There will be eleven Brothers receiving their 2nd and 3rd Degrees! While the size of such a class presents certain challenges and difficulties, it is a wonderful problem to have and we are so proud and pleased to have these men joining our Fraternity!

Here's a shout out to Brother Mark Edgcomb who came to visit our Lodge that night and was put to work as one of the Conductors! I am pleased to report that he performed admirably and Northfield is going to be in good hands when he becomes Master!

As this newsletter is being written, we are preparing for our Official Visit from our District Deputy Grand Master, R.: W.: Derek VanHouten. We will also be presenting our Years of Service Awards that evening with the assistance of the DDGM. We have six Brothers eligible for their 50-year Pins and special Apron from our M.: W.: Grand Master, Edward Gilbert; three for their 55-year Pin; five for the 60-year Pin and three who will be celebrating their 65th Anniversary of being a Mason! There will be a dinner preceding the meeting and we are looking forward to welcoming several Brothers for this important event.

You won't want to miss the November 9th meeting and dinner. Local actor Ed Scutt will be re-creating the true life character of Ambrose G. Beirce, nicknamed as Almighty God Beirce by those who knew him. He was a late 19th Century wit, satirist and curmudgeon. His collection of ironic definitions, "The Devil's Dictionary," has provoked readers over the Century since his mysterious disappearance in 1913. His stories and columns perfected surprise endings and commented on the culture of its time with acerbic insight. This talk will review the life and work of this under-appreciated American critic. Din-

Recent Events

Unity Lodge conducted the Child ID Program October 4th, at the new Spencerport Fire Hall Open House. Fifty-eight children were processed. Thanks to Josh Traverso, Dan and Missy Donovan and Rick Randolph for their efforts in making this a successful event.

We sponsored a Red Cross Blood Drive on October 7th at the Ogden Community Center. Thirty-one regular units and six doubles were collected. Thanks to Tom Grape, Jim Toogood, George and Barbara Burke, Darwin Turner and Rick Randolph for giving their time and efforts for this worthwhile activity.



Josh Traverso and assistant running the Child ID computer.



Dan Donovan at the keyboard.



Rick Randolph collects data from parents.

1981 - Steven Daycock and David W. Jones

1982 - Millard D. Fairley, Ronald H. Schultz and Dennis F. Tianello

1983 - William C. Collister

1984 - Edgar B. Means

1987 - Daniel B. Bragg and Neil E. Laundry

1989 - John J. Sywulski

1990 - David A. Fraser and Brian P. Keery

1991 - Randolph K. Bloechl, Craig T. Mollon and Thomas G. Vergo

1993 - Andres Alvarez, James De Lorenzo and John E. Dyer

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We held our Annual Awards Night on October 6th. Only one of the four Brothers honored this year was able to attend, so it turned into a solo presentation. Our 65-year member, Brother Raymond Ross, turned 90 years old that day, so it was a double celebration for him. He and wife, Jane, attended the dinner, he received his Certificate and Pin and spoke briefly on his experiences as a Mason over the years.

Brother Edward Start, another nonagenarian member of our Lodge, was unable to attend to receive his 60-year Certificate and Pin. Our Senior Warden, Brother Royden Guess, delivered them personally the next week.

Scheduled to attend, but taken ill, was Brother Charles Freida. His 55-year Certificate and Pin were delivered by Brother Robert Hughes. A 55-year Certificate and Pin were mailed to Brother Wesley Trendell, who resides in Bethlehem, PA.

November

Our first meeting this month is Election Day. The Shrine Center is a polling place, but I will try to block off the parking area nearest the Dining Room entrance, so our Brothers who attend will have a place to park close to the door. You may want to plan on using that entrance anyway, to avoid the possible congestion in the Lobby. Following our tiled meeting, it is anticipated that we will have another rehearsal for the Degree scheduled for our next meeting.



W.: Thomas Benson (right) presented Brother Raymond Ross his 65-year Certificate and Pin at the Annual Awards Night program last month. R.:W.: Derek VanHouten, District Deputy Grand Master, assisted.



Brother Raymond Ross is pinned by R.:W.: Derek Van Houten, District Deputy Grand Master, to celebrate 65 years of membership in the Fraternity. W.: Thomas Benson, Master, watches. Brother Ray was the only recipient able to attend this year and it was his 90th birthday!

First Degree

Our Interviewing Committee sent questionnaires to the references listed on our potential Candidate's Petitions, but the responses have been slow in coming back to them. We are still scheduled to confer the 1st Degree on November 17th and be observed by the Assistant Grand Lecturer, V.:W.: Hugh Woodside. It is possible that we will have to use an exemplar, if we don't have a Candidate ready.

Time Marches On

The following Brothers have their birthdays in November:

James R. Locklin (2nd); Wayne A. Gundry (5th); Gary A. LaShomb (7th); Clifford S. White (15th); George B. Lloyd (16th); George W. Pasch, Jr. (17th); Frank D. Zaffino (22nd); William G. Evert and Fouad Farah (29th); and Joseph S. Crociata (30th). Happy Birthday, my Brothers. May you enjoy a wonderful day.

Christmas Party

It's not too early to remind you of the All Masonic Bodies Children's Christmas Party on December 12th. Geared to children ten years of age and younger, Lalla Rookh Grotto, Scottish Rite and interested Lodges are invited to bring their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren for some fun, games, food and a possible visit from Santa Claus. Craftsman Robertson Lodge contributes table snacks and ice cream cups for the event, which could use better attendance than it gets. The kids have a blast! Round up your crew and join the fun. Call me with your reservations.

Happy Thanksgiving to one and all. See you in Lodge. ✕

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The year has started off with a bang and everything is moving forward with a very positive attitude. It has been great to see several Brothers coming back to Lodge whom we haven't seen over the last year or so. This is a callout to our local Brothers whom we have not seen in awhile: We miss your presence and would enjoy seeing you at one of our upcoming meetings. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Master at 624-3959 or: scott.may@frontiernet.net

Expect a call from our Brotherhood Committee in the near future as we want your input and suggestions.

Good News

Our Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Award recipient for 2009 is W.: Frank Habitzreuther. He has been a great addition to our Lodge and has been involved in almost every Lodge activity since joining. Please congratulate him the next time you see him.

Recent Events

Our 2nd Pancake Breakfast Charity Fundraiser was another success. It was great to see all the Brothers coming out to support this event. A true Masonic sight to see. I thank every Brother for taking time to support our charities.

Upcoming Events

November 9th - 1st Degree. There will be a dinner prior to the Degree. If you were unable to attend our last Lodge meeting, please call me at 624-3959 or email: scott.may@frontiernet.net before November 6th so I can plan accordingly.

November 23rd - Lodge Fellowcraft Meeting. We will be discussing upcoming events and reviewing tasks that need to be done around the Lodge.

Save the date of Saturday, December 12th. This is our tentative date for the Lodge Christmas Party. Stay tuned for more information as it becomes available.

As always, check the Lodge website for the latest information at email:

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The cold winds of November come blowing in October? Oh well, things were very warm and comfortable with all the fellowship and dignitaries at Awards Night at Fairport-Flower City Lodge, including a 65-year Certificate for Bill Cobb and a beautiful speech given by PM John

Lindsay in honor of his 40th year in Masonry. Three cheers and three claps for all the awardees! But wait, there's more. Three new Candidates were voted in when we returned to Labor from Refreshment, meaning we will be bringing four new Brothers into the Fraternity and into our Lodge.

The Grand Lecturer's Convention was preceded by our famous steak dinner with much groaning from full bellies during the Convention with a packed house. Kudos!

Honors

Honors to W.: Sy Kopen, 32°, Senior Warden, who was elected to receive the Meritorious Service Award (MSA) from the Scottish Rite for his tireless devotion to the Craft and countless contributions to Scottish Rite Masonry. Also, honors to Dennis Finucane, Junior Warden, because he just received the

Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Award at the Shrine Center.

Sickness and Distress

R.:W.: Dwight Turner continues to improve at Strong Hospital and we look forward to again seeing him in Lodge. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

November Events

First up is the OPEN MEETING, November 9th, Veterans Recognition Night, with wives and friends invited. We look forward to it being a great night of celebration for our Brothers who have served. Then, on the 4th Monday, November 23rd, we will confer the 2nd Degree in formal attire or dark suit—with rehearsal the previous night, Sunday, at 7 p.m. at the Lodge. Remember, your Brothers need your support. Please be there to support them in their journey. See you in Lodge. ✕



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Recent Happenings

The Lodge's business and Fraternity is in full swing. Two Lodge meetings were held at which our Brothers approved several By-Law Amendments. We completed our Entered Apprentice Degree Ritual for one Candidate.

The School of Ritual was held at Clio Lodge Hall on September 29th and was both informative and well-attended.

Clio's participation with our Meatball Sub Concession stand at

the Hilton Applefest was fun and very worthwhile. Many thanks to the Brothers, their family members and our DDGM, R.:W.: Derek Van Houten, who helped make this event a success. We were also pleased that Florida resident and Past Master, W.: Norman Feil, a 55-year Clio Member, visited our booth.

The Trustees have completed the roof repair task and we are in the process of addressing some minor interior water damage. Letters of acknowledgement were sent to those Brothers who generously contributed to this project.

Upcoming Events

November 3rd - The Fellowcraft Degree will be held at our Communication on November 11th - Spaghetti Dinner

November 17th - Regular Communication

November 30th - Masters and Wardens Meeting

Sickness and Distress

Our wishes for a speedy recovery to W.: Dave Goodrich, W.: Jeff Ross and Brother Gus Neidrich. ✕

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Website: [www.damascusshriners.org](http://www.damascusshriners.org)



**BRUCE CHILTON  
POTENTATE**

As the leaves have almost passed their beautiful stage in the time before the cold and snow arrives, we find ourselves immersed in our Fraternal family. We can be as involved or uninvolved as we choose. I choose to be involved. I am taking parts in my Lodge's Degrees and in fact have also, once again, begun attending my other Lodge, which is ERAC. I truly find that when there are a lot of little "annoyances" going on around me, I find peace and meaning in my Lodges where Masonry flourishes. I listen to the words of the Degrees and somehow the little issues that pop up every day seem meaningless in the scope of things. I am thrilled that I'm able to see the big picture and not tempted to be a part of the negativities that are so easy to fall into.

### Farewell Memories

It was with great sadness to see a man we all loved and cherished so deeply suffer ill health and eventually pass to the Great Architect of the Universe so quickly. I am, of course, referring to the R. W. and Reverend Paul R. Gleason, Jr.

The Divan has ordered a memorial stone to be placed on the walkway at the entrance of the Shrine Center so everyone can see his name and have their own special memory of Paul. I have many. My favorite has to be his voice on the audiotape that was created by Grand Lodge for the purpose of membership. It starts with Paul saying, "Hello, my name is Paul, and I am a Mason." I'm proud to be able to say that I wrote those words and Paul truly honored me and Grand Lodge by taking the time to be the voice on that recording. There were never more meaningful words written than Paul stating that he was a Mason.

Paul epitomized Masonry. He mentored, guided, consoled or provided whatever was needed by a Brother. When I had finished my term as a Grand Lodge Officer, I received a handwritten note from Paul thanking me for giving my time to the Fraternity. I later found out that Paul did that for all who served.

The last days of Paul's life were spent in the Fairport Baptist Home. I arrived the day after he got there and was escorted to where he was seated in the Dining Room. He looked up at me and that broad smile came across his face and he simply said, "Hello, Brother." We chatted and he confided some things that were bothering him; when he had enough, he told me I should leave.

The following Friday, which was about 12 hours before he died, I was on my way from work, heading north on 250 and just about to drive by the Home. It was 5 p.m. and I was planning to pick up dinner for my wife, Dot, and I as she had undergone eye surgery the day before and I suggested I get dinner. The temperature was cold; it was rainy and basically a lousy day. Paul and Masonry came into my mind and I said to myself as I drove past the Home 'I wasn't practicing what I felt Masonry teaches' and I stopped. I found Paul fast asleep. I stood by his bed as dinner was being served there was a lot of noise, but he didn't wake. He lay there wearing a white shirt on which there was the Square and Compasses with his name written in blue above it. I decided to leave and signed the guest book. I said "Hi Paul, I stopped to say hello, but didn't want to wake you. Get well, my Brother. - Bruce"

Paul knows I stopped and I am sure glad I did as I have that quiet personal memory and will have for the rest of the time that I have on Earth. I have lost a true friend and mentor, but I know Paul is in a better place. *Well done good and faithful servant.*

### Upcoming Events

The last important event that will take place in 2009 will be the Ceremonial and the Harvest Dinner on November 14th. We have already created 32 new Nobles in 2009 and have another 7 at this minute. I have heard of more coming and hope that is true because we have a real shot, for the first time in a number of years, of having a plus in membership for this year. Please ASK that Brother if he doesn't think this is the right time for him to join. This will be a huge event that will culminate with the Harvest Dinner.

This special Class has the honor of being named the Joe Minas Class. It is with great pride that I have named this Class after Joe. Joe is the perfect example of someone who is always there and always has been. Joe could be called at any and all times and he would silently show up to relieve your tensions. Joe, in my estimation, has been a major part of any success the Temple has had and we want to take this opportunity to honor and thank him for his dedication and service. I know that I am proud to be associated with Joe Minas.

The Geneva Shrine Club will hold their Annual Holiday Party on December 19th at Club 86 in Geneva. This is the party of the year and they always seem to find a way to make it better. I encourage you all to join us for this fantastic year-end celebration and enjoy each others camaraderie at this wonderful party.

## Harvest Dinner November 14, 2009



At Damascus Shrine Center

Social Hour - 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. with cheese and crackers

Music entertainment by  
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## Calendar Winners for September

| DAY  | NO. | WINNER               | DAY  | NO. | WINNER          |
|------|-----|----------------------|------|-----|-----------------|
| 9/1  | 080 | William Smith        | 9/16 | 230 | Shrine Center   |
| 9/2  | 376 | Bob Stanton          | 9/17 | 195 | Dick Maloney    |
| 9/3  | 295 | Linda Henry          | 9/18 | 770 | Ken Zimmerman   |
| 9/4  | 884 | Alice Anderson       | 9/19 | 962 | Shrine Center   |
| 9/5  | 595 | Shrine Center        | 9/20 | 195 | Dick Maloney    |
| 9/6  | 673 | Shrine Center        | 9/21 | 067 | Bob Curtis      |
| 9/7  | 459 | Helen Barry          | 9/22 | 258 | Shrine Center   |
| 9/8  | 375 | Rick Cooper          | 9/23 | 035 | Bill Michener   |
| 9/9  | 047 | Steven Booth         | 9/24 | 604 | Shrine Center   |
| 9/10 | 446 | Carrie Fisher        | 9/25 | 465 | Paul Van Develt |
| 9/11 | 024 | Ken Miller           | 9/26 | 320 | Darlene Munoz   |
| 9/12 | 444 | Shrine Center        | 9/27 | 030 | Daniel Hofmann  |
| 9/13 | 892 | Shrine Center        | 9/28 | 133 | Paul Thompson   |
| 9/14 | 754 | Sean Strnmger        | 9/29 | 850 | Shrine Center   |
| 9/15 | 869 | Michelle Bergerstock | 9/30 | 912 | Shrine Center   |



## November Birthdays



|                     |                     |                       |
|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Paul W. Adams       | P. William Haake    | Stephen Persaile      |
| Oliver T. Amesbury  | Lewis W. Hares      | Richard O. Reber      |
| Donald J. Badger    | James D. Hoffman    | Allen J. Roggen       |
| Richard M. Batz     | Garry R. Hutchurson | Willard Schwarting    |
| Gordon D. Bennett   | Cameron C. Jameson  | Thomas L. Shafer      |
| Brian J. Bills      | Stanley Knutowicz   | Lee W. Shanks         |
| Gary H. Bliss       | James L. Lester     | George Shapow         |
| Robert T. Brodell   | William S. Lozon    | Roland A. St. Louis   |
| George R. Burke     | Gregory W. Ludwig   | George A. Stear       |
| Arthur D. Cohen     | Eric S. Mackey      | Harry Steinorth       |
| Harold Collier      | Anthony Marotti     | Harold F. Teeple      |
| Jose Diaz           | Scott C. Masucci    | Lawrence D. Thibault  |
| Lawrence K. Ely     | Robert F. Merithew  | John J. Turpack       |
| John Fegley         | Charles M. Minster  | Glen E. VanBuskirk    |
| John W. Foster      | Harlan C. Morse     | Kenneth H. Vanduzer   |
| Homer E. Fritz      | Robert F. Novak     | James S. VanSickle    |
| Michael A. Fults    | Orlo L. Noxon       | John White            |
| Richard G. Gamrod   | John C. Owens       | William G. Woodward   |
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*By Gary Burke*

It's not too late to get those Petitions in for the Fall Ceremonial!

**Noble Bring-a-Friend Day**

We had as our featured speaker, Marty Sheedy, a former Shriners Hospital patient, Mason and Shriner. If you missed his remarks, you missed an example of what Shrinedom is all about!

Each of our featured speakers did a fantastic job. Thanks to Heather Philpot, Joe Ditucci and Rich Friedman for sharing their views and knowledge with us. My thanks go out to all who assisted in the entire program.

**Fall Ceremonial**

On Saturday, November 14th, we will honor Noble Joseph Minas as the sponsor of our Fall Class. Joe has served this Temple in many capacities for many years and we are proud to name this Class in his honor. This will be an afternoon event which will culminate with the Annual Harvest Dinner.

The day will begin with a brief "New Noble and Lady Orientation." This portion of the program will begin with registration and a gathering period at 3 p.m. Orientation will commence at 3:30 p.m.; at 4:15 p.m., the Ceremonial will begin. Damascus will once again present the "Knickerbocker Degree," which is open to all. When the "Knickerbocker Degree" is completed and we have presented the ladies with their roses, we will excuse all except Nobles for the Esoteric Portion of our Ritual. While we are doing that, the ladies will have the opportunity to learn about the Daughters of the Nile and all the great work they do.

**Don't Miss It**

Will you be a part of the excitement as Damascus Temple moves closer to achievement of our membership goal of a 9% growth for 2009? Remember, that only you can reach out to your Brothers and see if they are interested in becoming a member. Only you can reach out to a friend and offer them the opportunity to be a part of the World's Greatest Fraternity by becoming a member of your

Lodge. We must all remember that if we don't support our Blue Lodges, we will fail in our membership potential. We must be staunch supporters of the Craft Lodge in order to be good Shrine Masons.  
*Remember...If not you, then who?*

**Check Out New Websites**

Shriners International has launched two new websites to which I call your attention.

**[www.shrinersvillage.com](http://www.shrinersvillage.com)**

This site is exclusively for "Members Only." Please go to it and see all the information you can possibly ask for about Shrine. This new site is a work in progress and is being updated and added to on a continuing basis. Keep checking it out for new updates.

**[www.beashrinernow.com](http://www.beashrinernow.com)**

This site is a public website for anyone interested in learning about the Shrine or wanting to join. Check both of these sites and learn all about what they have to offer.

Be a part of the excitement as we grow and expand our boundaries.

**PERRY  
SHRINE CLUB**

*By Alice Anderson*

The Perry Shrine Club met September 24th at the Lumberyard Restaurant. As usual, the food was delicious and everyone had a good time.

A Slate of Officers was presented and will be voted on at our December meeting. They are as follows - President, Robert Cox; Vice-President, Doug Seeber; Social Secretary, Alice Anderson; and Treasurer, Kenneth Buckley.

Jerry Hussong talked briefly about the past Summer of eight parades in which the mini-cars participated. The Lilac Parade of Rochester, Henrietta and Livonia were mentioned. A special thanks to Clarence Bogardus for keeping the cars running smoothly.  
See you at the next meeting!

**Damascus Legion of Honor**

**Dinner Meeting**

**Wednesday, November 11th**

at Damascus Shrine Center  
979 Bay Road, Webster

Social Hour - 5:00 p.m.  
Cheese & Crackers ... Cash Bar

Dinner - 6:00 p.m.

Meat Lasagna \* Tossed Salad \* Vegetables  
Garlic Bread \* Dessert

\$10 per person

Regular Meeting and Necrology Service to follow.

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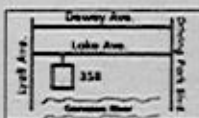


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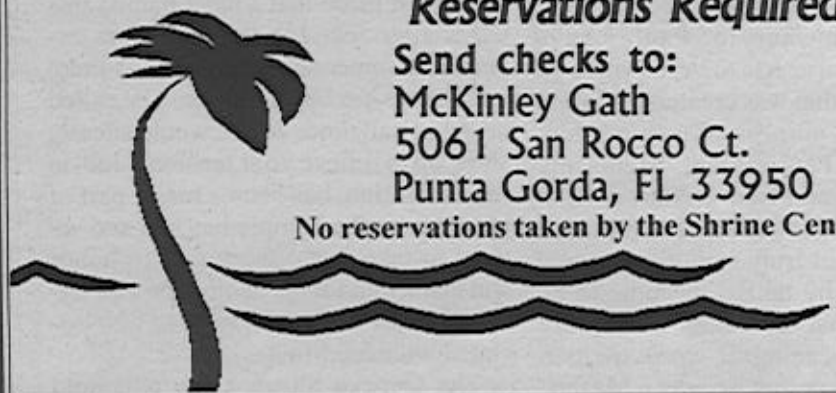
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# Damascus Shrine has a Band!

By Frank Russell

Thanks to the effort of several Brother Shriners and Master Masons, a small group of us held our first rehearsal on August 30th. We have continued to grow

in numbers and plan to play for the Bring-a-Brother event on October 17th. As of this writing, we have 20 musicians. Of course, we are looking to double in size.

Our music to date consists of marches, patriotic numbers, swing numbers and familiar party songs. As we grow, our repertoire will also grow. Right now, we are having fun and looking forward to

performing at a few functions at the Shrine Center and at our Circus in February. Come hear us and spread the word so we can grow.



## Damascus Shriners!

*Clip and Save!*

'09-'10 Dinners for the Wednesday Night Shrine Meetings

Social - 5:30 p.m.; Dinner - 6 p.m.; Meeting - 7 p.m.

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*Dinners include Salad, Coffee and Dessert*

November 4th - BBQ Chicken & Ribs

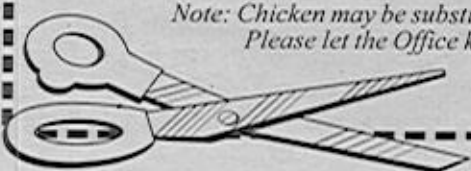
December 2nd - Sliced Sirloin & Gravy

January 6th - Steak Dinner (\$1 with 2010 Dues

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By Norris Shapiro




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


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## DAMASCUS TRESTLEBOARD 2009

### NOVEMBER

-  2nd - Divan Meeting, 7 p.m.
-  4th - Shrine Meeting, 7 p.m.
-  14th - Ceremonial and Harvest Dinner
-  18th - Perry Shrine Club Dinner Meeting, 6 p.m., Lumberyard
-  30th - Divan Meeting, 7 p.m.

### DECEMBER

-  2nd - Shrine Annual Meeting, Election of Officers, 7 p.m.
-  16th - Perry Shrine Club Dinner Meeting, 6 p.m., National Hotel, Cuylerville

This is a living calendar and many more events will be added as time goes on. Check us out at [www.damascusshriners.org](http://www.damascusshriners.org) ... It's the best Website in Shrinedom!!!

### JANUARY

- 6th - Shrine Meeting, Installation, 7 p.m.; Shell-a-Buck Dinner, 6 p.m.

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 of Meeting Week

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Walter Daggett

October 11, 2009

Warren E. Pearse

August 21, 2009

Paul R. Gleason

October 5, 2009



### 2009 Damascus News Boosters

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| Bryan & Cynthia Anderson | Charles Holliday      | Irving & Mary Spalty          |
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## AUBURN SHRINE CLUB

By David Bowman

*Bless this house, O Lord we pray,  
Make it safe by night and day,  
Bless these walls so firm and stout,  
Keeping want and trouble out.*

*Bless the roof and chimneys tall,  
Let thy peace lie overall,  
Bless this door that it may prove,  
Ever open, to joy and love.*

*Bless these windows shining bright,  
Letting in God's Heavenly light,  
Bless the hearth, ablazing there,  
With smoke ascending like a prayer!*

*Bless the people here within,  
Keep them pure and free from sin,  
Bless us all that we may be,  
Fit O Lord to dwell with thee,  
Bless us all that one day we may dwell,  
O Lord! With Thee!*

by Helen Taylor

Not exactly the same kind of song that I used last month, is it? Well, this is a special month for all of us. As Americans, we celebrate a Holiday unique to us... Thanksgiving. I know some will say other countries have Thanksgiving, but where did it start? How did it start? It was to give Thanks for surviving! Not for plenty, not for comfort, but for surviving.

As we enjoy our time this month, let's not forget our hospitals and our "kids" who are spending time there. Let's remember that they, with their problems exposed, still give thanks.

A wonderful time was had at our September get-together at the Ward O'Hara Museum. Thanks go again to Larry Pritchard and John Cambareri for heading this up. This note is due before our October meeting, and the good Lord willing, it was held at the Old Erie in Weedsport with Nancy Sheffield speaking about the Calvary Food Pantry. It is hoped that we keep this worthy endeavor in our hearts throughout the year and not just at this time.

### Upcoming Events

November 14th - Harvest Dinner at the Shrine Center in Webster

November 16th - Auburn Shrine Club

December 19th - Geneva Shrine Club Holiday Party.

Hope to see you all.

## DIRECTORS STAFF

By Vance Collom, Jr.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, November 18th at the Yellow Mills Diner, 2534 Route 31, Palmyra. New members, ladies and guests are welcome. Social time is 5:30 p.m. and dinner (order off the menu) is at 6 p.m. RSVP to Vance Collom by Monday, November 16th.

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Until next time, God Bless!



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## NYOSA FALL MEETING REPORT

By Derek VanHouten

In Late September, over 150 Nobles from around New York and Canada and their Ladies traveled to the scenic area of Lake George to attend the Annual NYOSA Fall Meeting, hosted this year by its President Ill. L. John Garhartt and Oriental Temple.

Damascus was represented by four Past Potentates - Ill. Robert Anderson II, Ill. Lyle Maldoon, Ill. Derek E. VanHouten and Ill. Lance Ward, with their Ladies. Also in attendance were Imperial Sir George Mitchell and Imperial Sir Chris Smith.

The Headquarters Hotel was adjacent to Fort William Henry, a major player in the Revolutionary War. It sits at the southern end of Lake George and this weekend it was beautiful. The mountains were just beginning to change color and the wind was blowing at a steady pace with whitecaps on the Lake.

### Cruise and Memorial Service

There was an hour-and-a-half luncheon cruise on the "Adirondac," a modern, three-decker replica of a by-gone era Lake steamer. While on the cruise, a very moving Memorial Service was conducted, with the interior of the boat a bit like a small cathedral and the Lake George scenery as a backdrop. I think everyone who was aboard was impressed. As they read off the list of Temples that had experienced a loss, the Representatives approached the podium, read the names of the departed, took a rose and placed it upon the waters of Lake George as we made our way back to the pier.

The Hospitality Room was in full swing when we returned and the overflow crowd spilled out into the lobby area. One could feast on shrimp, pulled pork, beef-on-weck, meatballs, cheese-cake, peanuts, candy, chips, dips and all sorts of liquid refreshments to sample. It was a great effort on behalf of the Oriental Shrine Center.

For those who wanted to take a walk back in time, we had a guided tour of Fort William Henry, which is on the hotel property. It was a very impressive presentation by a re-enactor of the period who showed us the life of a soldier in 1757 during the French and Indian War and the importance of Lake George on this War. We watched as he demonstrated firing the "Brown Bess" and load and fire a cannon.

The business meeting was Saturday, where we heard from the new 4th Vice-President, our own Ill. Lance Ward. We also heard from the Membership Unit on Shriners Village and a new website:

[www.beashrinernow.com](http://www.beashrinernow.com)

Lastly, we heard from Imperial Sir Chris Smith and Deputy Imperial Potentate George Mitchell. In the afternoon the Shriners paraded down Canada Street and were greeted by hundreds of townspeople and visitors as they marched by. We returned to the hotel and the Hospitality Room for refreshments and conversation after the one-mile Parade.

Saturday night was the NYOSA Dinner, which was well attended and where our own Ill. Lance Ward was installed as 4th Vice-President. There were results of the Clown Competition, held earlier in the day. There were presentations from the retiring President and the incoming President, comments from Imperial Sir Chris Smith and finally from Imperial Sir George Mitchell.

It was a great weekend, the only thing missing was YOU...!



# Scottish Rite NEWS

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**G. Michael Morris, 33°  
Commander-in-Chief**

Greetings Sublime Princes and Ladies! Our Scottish Rite year got off to a good start at our first stated meeting of the new Masonic year on September 18th with our Annual Meeting and Awards Night.

**Service Awards**

It is my distinct pleasure to recognize this year's AASR – Valley of Rochester Award recipients:

Three of our Sublime Princes are recognized for 60 years of service to the Scottish Rite: Chapin Blakey, 32° (Evergreen, CO); Donald B. Colvin, 32° (Key Largo, FL); and Wallace J. Wagner, 32° (Pittsford); Five of our Sublime Princes are recognized for 50 years of service to the Scottish Rite. They are: Merlin F. Blakley, 32° (Rochester); Jack A. Bloom, 32° (Rochester); Eugene S. Dewey, 32° (Penfield) and Robert F. Merithew, 32° (Davidson, NC).

While none of our 50- or 60-year Service Award recipients were able to join us at the Annual meeting this year, I did have the opportunity to stop by the homes of our Brothers living in the Rochester area to visit with them and personally deliver their service awards to them. They all greatly appreciate receiving the Awards, but I must say, the pleasure was mine as well. It was absolutely fascinating to talk with each of these extraordinary men and Masons, and to see that they are all doing so well. Thank you all for the opportunity to visit with you in your home!

**Meritorious Service**

Congratulations to Distinguished Brother Seymour G. Kopen, 32° MSA. Distinguished Brother Kopen was one of twelve Brothers throughout the state to receive the Meritorious Service Award at the 2009

Convocation of New York State Council of Deliberation in Liverpool, New York last July, and it was announced that Brother William C. Jones, 32° DSA, was one of ten Sublime Princes throughout the state to be elected to receive a 2010 Meritorious Service Award at next year's Council of Deliberation. The Meritorious Service Award is the highest honor the State of New York Council of Deliberation can award.

**Dedicated Service**

The Ill. John B. Mullen, 33° Dedicated Service Award, which may be conferred upon members of the Rite in the Valley of Rochester, who have attained the 32° and who, by reason of dedicated service over an extended period, are deemed worthy of such recognition. The presiding Officers of the Bodies of the Rite, the Secretary, the Treasurer and the Deputy's Representative individually nominate candidates for consideration each year. The Commander-in-Chief selects from the list of nominees the recipients for that year.

Please join me in recognizing and congratulating the 2009-2010 AASR Valley of Rochester's Dedicated Service Award recipients – John Faro, 32° DSA; Donald Tubman, 32° DSA; Patrick Mulrooney, 32° DSA, and Thomas Goodrich, 32° DSA!

**Class Members**

Members of the Charles O. Hancock, 33°, Class received their Valley of Rochester membership certificates during the Annual meeting on September 24th. The class consisted of 25 new Sublime Princes:

Stephen S. Campbell, James F. Clancy, James Champagne, Charles A. Feller, Daniel C. Footer (Class Vice-President), John Hart, Bruce I. Katz, Easton T. Kelsey, Scott M. May, Michael L. Nohle (Class Orator), Mark Ocke, Adam T. Palermo, Terry L. Pickett, Ryan D. Reese, David R. Rising, Harold A. Roxburgh (Class President), Allan Seastrom II, Dwayne A. Simmons, Bernard A. Skopinsky, Ronald A. Smith, Kevin D. Taylor, Thomas H. Vasile, Michael C. Wood, Bill Woodward, and Roger C. Worden. Welcome to the Valley of Rochester, my Brothers!

**First-Line Signers**

On behalf of the entire membership, I thank all of the first-line signers who helped make the Charles O. Hancock, 33°, Class one of the largest classes that we have had for many years. First-line signers include:



**50-year Service Award recipient Merlin F. Blakley with Commander in Chief G. Michael Morris.**



**60-year Service Award recipient Wallace J. Wagner.**

Jim Prey, Rich Friedman, Tom Goodrich, John Williams, Andy Richardson, Phil Hurwitz, Mike McBride, Gary Hutchurson, Larry Canfield, Steve Whittaker, Sy Kopen, John Faro, Jim Miller, Mike Morris, Don Tubman and Eric Lubberts.

**"Explore the Rite"**

Our first "Explore the Rite" Night, held on October 9th at Livonia Lodge, was a tremendous success. Fifty-four Brethren and ladies were in attendance for the event. The evening began with a social hour and a wonderful dinner.

The program that evening featured a wonderful presentation of the *The Last Full Measure*, which is a Masonic drama based on the short story "The Perfect Tribute" by Mary Shipman Andrews. Cast members included: John Zabel, Donald Tubman, Harold Roxburgh, John Lemke and Rick Howe.

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**Valley of Rochester  
2009/2010 Holiday Season Program**

All events at Shrine Center unless otherwise noted.

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November 14th - NMJ Day at Buffalo
31st & 32nd Degrees (Western NY Valleys)
Reservations Required

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November 19th - Veterans Recognition Night  
and Adar Celebration  
Social Hour and "Wurst Plate" Dinner w/ Beer Toasts  
Reservations Required

**Note Date Change ...**

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November 20th - Public Degree / BBB Evening
Social Hour and Dinner - Reservations Required

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November 21st - Recognition Dinner for  
Ill.: Stephen R. Whittaker 33°  
at Penfield Country Club  
Social Hour and Dinner - Reservations Required

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December 5th - 4th, 6th, 14th & 15th Degrees
Continental Breakfast and Lunch
Reservations Required

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December 11th - Toys-for-Tots &  
Holiday Decoration Party  
Spaghetti Dinner for any Mason who brings a gift!

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December 12th - All Masonic Children's Holiday Party
and Toys-for-Tots

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January 16th - Public Degree / BBB Evening  
Social Hour and Dinner - Reservations Required

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January 21st - Scheduled Meeting
Social Hour and Dinner - Reservations Required

Make your reservations On Time!
At least 5 DAYS prior to any activity
(585) 264-1160 or 1-800-858-2320
or Email: secretary@valleyofrochester.org

Don't be Late!
*Late Reservations may have to be accepted
on a Standby Basis only.*
**Why not sign up on our Permanent Meeting Meal
Reservation List?**

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2009-2010 Officers**

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Garry Cranker, 32°
Tyler: Peter J. VanElzakker, 32° MSA

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Orator: Terry Adams, 32°
Master of Ceremonies: James Champagne, 32°
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Tyler: Peter J. VanElzakker, 32° MSA

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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

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Members of the 2008-2009 Charles O. Hancock, 33° Class receive their Valley of Rochester Membership Certificates (l-r): David Rising, Bernard Skopinsky, Harold Roxburgh, Mark Ocke, Mike Morris (CinC), Charles Hancock (Dep. Rep.), James Champagne, Steven Campbell, Easton Kelsey, Charles Feller, Bruce Katz, and Kevin Taylor.

Commander-in-Chief
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Following the Degree presentation, a brief overview of the Scottish Rite and the Valley of Rochester was given.

This year our goal is to incorporate the Scottish Rite "I.C.E." principle in all of our programs and events. I.C.E. stands for Inspiration, Convenience and Enjoyment. We certainly accomplished that goal in this event!

The Last Full Measure and video clips that were presented were definitely inspirational. We made a special effort to make it convenient for our Brothers in surrounding counties to attend by holding the event in Livonia. And the fellowship was certainly enjoyable! Everyone had a great time! Thanks to everyone who helped to make this event a tremendous success! Special thanks to 1st Lieutenant Commander, Joseph Bourcy, 32° DSA, and 2nd Lieutenant Commander, K. Rick Howe, 32° DSA, for your leadership, and to our Brothers and their ladies at Livonia Lodge for graciously hosting the event!

Membership Development

Our Goal this year is to add 50 new members to the Valley of Rochester Roster!

My Brothers, last year the Valley of Rochester had the highest percentage growth of any Valley in New York State. Let us continue that trend this year by not only having the highest percentage growth, but also the largest number of new members of any Valley in New York!



50-year Service Award recipient Eugene S. Dewey.



50-year Service Award recipient Jack A. Bloom.

Ill.: Brother Rittenhouse is a member and Past Master of Union Star Lodge. He served as District Deputy Grand Master of the 2nd Monroe District in 1969-1970; he is a Past President of the Masonic Service Bureau; a Past President of the Bureau of Education; and a Past

Commander-in-Chief of the Valley of Rochester. He was coroneted a 33° in 1978, and was instrumental in the formation of the Frank & Bette Paul 32° Masonic Learning Center, where he served as Chairman for 13 years and is still active on the Board of Governors. Illustrious Brother Rittenhouse served as Deputy's Representative for many years and is currently the President of the 33° Club for the Valley of Rochester. He also served as Potentate of Damascus Shriners in 1982, and was recently selected to receive the Honorary DeMolay Legion of Honor.



Illustrious Brother Rodney R. Rittenhouse, 33°: 2009-2010

Congratulations Illustrious Brother Rittenhouse for this well-deserved honor and recognition! You are an inspiration to all of us, and I know that our new members will be indeed honored to be part of the 2009-2010 Rodney R. Rittenhouse, 33°, Class!

**November Program
Scottish Rite Day**

Ill.: John W. McNaughton, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander, has proclaimed November 14th to be Scottish Rite Day in all the Valleys within the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction.

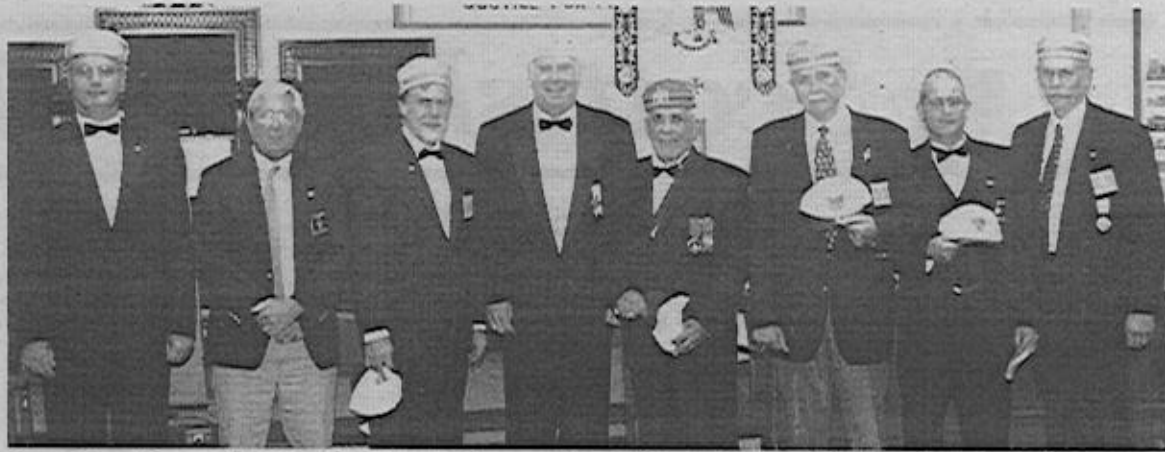
On that day he has asked that all Consistorial Valleys within the Jurisdiction open at 10 a.m., confer the 31st and 32nd Degrees, enjoy a luncheon and provide an opportunity for fellowship and enjoyment.

We have made plans for Valley of Rochester members to join with members from the Valleys of Buffalo, Jamestown, Lockport and Corning at the Buffalo Consistory (2379 Union Road, Cheektowaga).

"Who's on Your List?"

Membership Development and Retention is a "Contact Sport!" This year we are asking each member of the Valley to do four (4) important things for Freemasonry:

1. Contact men whom you know to be of good moral character and invite them to attend a Bring-a-Friend Program at your Symbolic (Blue) Lodge;
2. Contact your Brothers, who are not 32° Masons and invite them to a Scottish Rite Event. Prospective members are cordially invited to attend any of our Family Life Programs and we have two remaining Brother



First-line signers for the Charles O. Hancock, 33° Class (l-r): Phil Hurwitz, Jim Miller, Tom Goodrich, Mike Morris, Sy Koppen, John Faro, Eric Lubberts and Don Tubman.

Bring-a-Brother (or "Explore the Rite") Nights scheduled this year. The Explore the Rite nights will take place at the Shrine Center on Friday, November 20th and Saturday, January 16, 2010;

3. "Reach Out, and Say Hello", and re-activate Scottish Rite Brothers who have been inactive;

4. Attend as many the Scottish Rite meetings, programs and activities as your cabledow will allow. Each meeting this year begins with a social hour and dinner, followed by the program. Come join the fellowship, renew old friendships and make new ones!

Class Sponsor

I am pleased to announce that Ill.: Rodney R. Rittenhouse, 33°, has been named as this year's Valley of Rochester Class Sponsor. For many years Illustrious Brother Rittenhouse has devoted a tremendous amount of his time and energy towards the leadership and operation of Valley of Rochester.

The Valley of Buffalo will be responsible for the conferral of the 31st Degree, and the Valley of Rochester will be responsible for the Conferral of the 32nd Degree. The format we will use in New York will be similar to the one created for the One-Day Class in 2003. Candidates must have received the 4th Degree at a minimum.

Prior to the Conferral of the 31st and 32nd Degrees on the 14th, all Candidates will be obligated on the other required Degrees using the same obligations from the One-Day Class. This will be a fabulous day of fellowship with our Brothers in upstate New York! Please make every effort to attend!

We are planning to carpool to and from Buffalo that day. The plan is to gather at the West parking lot at 3300 Monroe Avenue in Pittsford between 7-7:30 a.m., carpool to Buffalo for coffee, donuts and Lodge set-up between 9 and 10 a.m. At 10 a.m. Sharp!, will be the Conferral of the 31st Degree by the Valley of Buffalo, followed by the 32nd Degree by the Valley of Rochester. Lunch at Buffalo (or on the way home) - No Charge! For lunch and carpool reservations, please call or email the

Valley Office by noon on Monday, November 9th.

Veterans Recognition

On Thursday, November 19th, we will be holding our Annual Veterans Recognition Night. The evening will begin with a "Day of Adar" (Table Lodge) Celebration. The Day of Adar correlates with the 16th Degree and commemorates the completion and dedication of the second temple in Jerusalem.

The themes for this celebration include: (1) rejoicing of the fruits of our hard labor; (2) everything destroyed may be rebuilt; (3) with patience and hard work, anything can be accomplished; and (4) reminding of us of our task as Freemasons, which is the building of the "Temple within."

Following the Table Lodge, we will recognize the labor and dedication of our country's military, who, in particular, remind us of the third theme above. For over 200 years their hard work and dedication has proven, time and again, that greatness can be achieved when good men unite and work together towards a common goal.

Dinner that evening will feature Phyllis' soon-to-be famous "Wurst" Plate. The price for the dinner will be \$10 for Scottish Rite Members who are Veterans, \$15 for Scottish Rite Non-Veteran Members, and will be free-of-charge for our members on Active Military Duty and Non-Scottish Rite Veterans who are invited Guests.

Bring-A-Brother

You and your Lady are invited to attend our second "Explore the Rite" Night on Friday, November 20th, at the Shrine Center.

That evening we will be presenting the AASR Public Degree under the direction of Gary Burke, 32° MSA, and Gary Sandford, 32°. The Public Degree gives one a glimpse into various Scottish Rite Degrees that will be presented this year. In addition, we will also give a brief introduction to the various Scottish Rite Charities with a special emphasis on the 32° Masonic Learning Centers for Children. There is no charge for our Master Mason guests and their ladies. The cost for dinner for Scottish Rite members and their ladies is \$12 per person.

Both of these events begin with Social at 5:30 p.m.; Dinner, 6:30 p.m.; and Program, 7:30 p.m. and dinner reservations are required (no exceptions)! Again, "Who's on Your List?" Pick up the phone, make the calls, and come join the fun and fellowship on November 20th!

First-Line Signers

As a special perk, first-line signers on new member applications to the Valley of Rochester will again this year receive an attractive "32° Mason" ball

cap! They're nice hats! I think everyone in our Valley should have one, don't you?

Recognition Dinner

A special recognition dinner honoring the Ill.: Stephen R. Whittaker, 33° Active, will be held on Saturday evening the 21st of November, at the Penfield Country Club. Members of the Scottish Rite, Masonic friends and personal friends are invited to attend.

Illustrious Brother Whittaker is only the fourth Active Member of the Supreme Council that the Valley of Rochester has had in our 142 year history. This is indeed a great honor for both Illustrious Brother Whittaker and our Valley.

The cost for the dinner is \$45 per person and includes a choice of a NY Strip Steak, Chicken Cordon Bleu or Stuffed Sole. Dress for the evening will be tux or dark suit. A social hour with hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar will open at 5:30 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. and will be followed by the program for the evening, which will be entertaining!

Reservations with payment and choice of meal are required to be received at our Valley office no later than Monday November 16th. Your attendance to recognize Illustrious Brother Whittaker and to help our Valley celebrate his great honor would be most welcomed. *

**Veterans Day
November 11th**



Reservations
for all events
call
264-1160
or
email
secretary@
valleyofrochester.org
By Requested Date!

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2009-2010 Dedicated Service Award (Blue Cap) Recipients (l-r): Commander in Chief G. Michael Morris, Thomas Goodrich, Donald Tubman, John Faro and Patrick Mulrooney.

We Acknowledge and Thank our Scottish Rite Veterans

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Robert L. Anderson
Dwight H. Andrews
William Armstrong
Ronald J. Arndt
Philip Averbach
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Maurice Bittman
Chapin Blake
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VETERANS RECOGNITION NIGHT

AGENDA : 5:30 PM - Social (cash bar)

6:30 PM - Dinner (our famous "wurst plate" with knock wurst, bratwurst, sauerbraten, sour kraut, and German potato salad including "Day of ADAR" celebration with special Veteran's Day observance toasts (beer of course!))

8:00 PM - Evening Program

**Shrine Center - 979 Bay Road, Webster
Thursday - November 19, 2009**

FEES : Non - Scottish Rite Veterans who are invited Guests - no charge (it is our pleasure to honor and recognize their service)

Scottish Rite Member Veterans - \$10.00 each

Scottish Rite Non-Veteran Members - \$15.00 each

All Valley of Rochester members are encouraged to invite a Veteran as your guest - any era, any theater of operation. We would particularly like to honor those men and women who most recently returned from Middle-East duty tours.

Important Details You Should Note ...



Friday, December 11th

If you are planning to attend the "Toys for Tots" Dinner and Decorating Party on Friday Evening, December 11th at the Damascus Shrine Center ...

Bring a new unwrapped toy (or a \$10 donation) per person for the "Toys for Tots" program and be treated to a Spaghetti and Meatballs Dinner, Courtesy of the Valley of Rochester Scottish Rite.

Help put up the Holiday decorations for the *All Masonic Holiday Party* to be held the next day. After the decorating is complete, enjoy the complimentary dinner.

Decorating starts at 4 p.m.; Social with hors-d'oeuvres and cash bar at approximately 5:30 p.m. and Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner will follow.

Come casual! Bring your Lady, neighbors, and friends! Bring a gift for each person who plans to eat!

Saturday, December 12th

Important! Bring a wrapped gift for each child you bring, marked clearly with their name. Santa will be distributing these gifts at the party.

A Marine will be present to accept new, unwrapped gifts for the "Toys for Tots" Program.

All gifts and donations will go to the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve's "Toys for Tots" Program to brighten the lives of families of overseas duty servicemen and other distressed families.

Be Generous! ... May you have a happy and safe Holiday Season.



"Toys for Tots" & All-Masonic Holiday Parties *

at Shrine Center

Friday, December 11th §
Decorating starts at 4 p.m.
Spaghetti Dinner follows
Social ~ 5:30 p.m.
Dinner ~ 6:30 p.m.

**Saturday
December 12th**
All-Masonic Holiday Party
11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Open to All Masons, Friends & Their Families

Admission Price: One New Unwrapped Toy

Saturday's Party Activities for Kids:
 "Decorate Cookies" "Make Your Own Birdfeeder"
 Face Painting Photos with Santa
 "Special Delivery" Mailbox for Letters to Santa

* Co-sponsored by AASR-Valley of Rochester, Lalla Rookh Grotto and Damascus Shrine.



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Degrees

Companions, we stated October conferring the Mark Master Mason Degree on three Candidates. The cast did an excellent job and the Candidates were enthusiastic about the remaining Degrees. The Past Master and Most Excellent Master Degrees were conferred on October 22nd. The High Priest presided in both of the Degrees.

Time Frame

For those who do not know, the Degrees of the Chapter, except the Past Master Degree, follow a chronological order. The Mark Master Mason Degree continues the building of King Solomon's Temple. The Degree focuses on the finding of the keystone for the principle arch of the Temple. This is followed by a lesson concerning wages earned for labor performed. The Temple is not completed in the Mark Master Mason Degree, but all the parts are in place for the completion.

The Most Excellent Master Degree continues on from the Mark Master Mason Degree with the completion of the Temple and the placing of the keystone, "the stone that the builder's rejected." This Degree leads into the Royal Arch, but shows the need for the Candidate to have been accepted by his Brothers and elected and installed as the Master of a Lodge. This validates the need for the Past Master's Degree. Although the Past Master's Degree does not fit historically into the Degree sequence, it is necessary for entering the Most Excellent Master Degree. The Degree ends with the dedication of King Solomon's Temple.

Between the MEM Degree and the Holy Royal Arch Degree the twelve tribes are taken into captivity by the Babylonians. They remain there for 70 years. After King Darius releases the captives, they return to Jerusalem to rebuild the Temple. This Holy Royal Arch is all about the rebuilding of the Temple, the second Temple. The Degree shows how the workmen found parts and portions of the First Temple and uncovered much that had been lost but now was found.

Therefore the Chapter Degrees are intended to and do build on the first three Degrees of Freemasonry, especially the 3rd Degree.

The Ceremonies

A Candidate for the Chapter Degrees will find things that are similar and things that are new and different in the Degrees. The allegories are different, but the ceremonies have many similarities. Now, if you do not know what the similarities are, then you either have not paid attention

or you are not a Companion. To correct this, either petition for the Degrees or come and witness them again for the first time.

Both the York Rite and the Scottish Rite can teach a Mason those lessons needed to build appreciation for the first three Degrees and help build a better moral and social person. ✽

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Upcoming Events

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December

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conduct our Christmas Toast and share refreshments afterward. We request that all attending bring a dish-to-pass (finger foods).

196th Grand Conclave

The 196th Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of New York was held at the Double Tree Hotel in Rochester in September. Zone 11's very own Sir Knight David Lathers, Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Knights Templar of the State of New York, presided. Key accomplishments during the past year were:

1) Membership - more than 100 new Knights have been knighted via several regional pilgrimages held all over the State - Long Island, Schenectady, Palmyra and Hornell to mention a few.

2) Tactics Improvements - several changes to the tactics were introduced at last year's Grand Commandery Conclave and were given to the local Commanderies to "try" out during the 2008/09 Templar year. All changes were approved at this Grand Commandery Conclave.

3) York Rite Unity - Sir Knight Lathers was instrumental in forming a committee among the Grand Lines of each of the York Rite bodies with the purpose of improving the communication and "working together" for the good of all of York Rite. Scheduling co-ordination is just the first thing that this committee is attempting to improve.

Additionally, Sir Knight David Lathers continued the work of the Long-Range Planning Committee with the affect of stemming the loss of several Commanderies and building them up to a point that there were no Commanderies that failed or turned in their Charter during the past year.

As a capstone to Sir Knight David Lather's year, a report given by Sir Knight David D. Goodwin, Right Eminent Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, praised David's leadership and his integrity as our Grand Commander. Zone 11, DeMolay No. 22 and Cyrene-Monroe Commandery can be extremely proud of our very own Sir Knight David Lathers.

Caps & Mantels Approved

It is now legal to wear a cap and mantel as an official uniform for a Conclave. The rules are: 1) it must conform to the Grand Encampment's statutes on Cap and Mantels; and 2) in public, a Commandery must all wear the same uniform - either Cap & Mantel or the Standard Uniform.

A Brighter Tomorrow

Sir Knight Christos G. Papadopoulos was elected Right Eminent Grand Commander for the 2009/2010 Templar year. In both his address to those in attendance and in his General Order No. 1, he laid out his objectives for his year at the helm of our Order and his theme for the year, "Building a Brighter Tomorrow." It will be the hallmark for his leadership of our Grand Commandery.

The following are the major points of our new Grand Commander's expectations:



SK Christos Papadopoulos

Membership

Our target is to knight seven (7) new Knights per Commandery for the coming year. Each Commandery that achieves this objective will be recognized at the 197th Annual Grand Commandery Conclave.

Membership Retention

A new committee on membership retention will be formed and this committee will contact each and every Sir Knight who has been dropped for non-payment of dues.

Regional Seminars and Schools of Instruction

This effort will continue. Our Zone will participate in the Western Region Seminar and School of Instruction to be held on November 7th at Attica Lodge.

Town Meetings

The Grand Commander is planning to personally hold six town meetings - one in each region - with the theme "Let's Talk Templary."

Tri-State Pilgrimages

We will resurrect the Tri-State Pilgrimage. Specifically, there will be two regions - Eastern and Western. Zone 11 will be in the Western Region and will be focused on working with Western Pennsylvania and, possibly, Ohio. This will be under the direction of Sir Knight Lee Garrison, Eminent Commander of Zone 12, with assistance from Sir Knight James R. MacConnell, Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander.

Easter Sunrise Service

The Grand Commandery will once again participate in the Grand Encampment's Easter Sunrise Service in Alexandria, Virginia (Washington, DC) to be held April 2-4, 2010.

197th Annual Conclave of Grand Commandery

This will be convened on September 17th, 2010, at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Albany. It will conclude on September 19th.

Jones Steps Down

After seven years as our Zone Commander, Sir Knight



SK William Jones and SK Joseph Oelgoetz.

William Jones, K.T.C., who has led Zone 11 to one of leadership within the Grand Commandery of New York, is stepping down. Bill is one of those tireless workers who has given of himself and not expected or wanted anything in return. He represents all that is good in Masonry and one from whom I have learned much.

Bill is a recipient of The Knights Templar Cross of Honor, Red Cross of Constantine, Knight of York Cross of Honor and many other Masonic honors. He has also served other Masonic organizations, including serving as District Deputy (twice) for the Wayne District.

Most recently, the Valley of Rochester, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, named Bill to receive the New York Council of Deliberation's highest honor - The Meritorious Service Award, known as the "Red Hat." All well deserved to such a dedicated servant to our Order. On behalf of Cyrene-Monroe Commandery No. 12, we extend our deepest thanks and wish Bill much joy and happiness in years to come.

Conclave Attendance

My hope is that all Sir Knight's, who are members of Cyrene-Monroe Commandery, will attend our upcoming meetings held on the third Monday of the month at Pittsford Masonic Hall! beginning at 7:30 p.m. ✽

Sagoyewatha
Commandery No. 17, K.T.
3rd Saturday, 9 a.m.

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SK F. Edward
(Ted) Powley
(315) 483-2745
soduspowleys
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Recorder
SK David Taber
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dwtaber@frontiernet.net

67 Ontario Street, Phelps NY

I have missed two meetings so far, but do plan on being at our next Conclave!

Speaking of meetings, our next Conclave will be Saturday, November 21st, at the Phelps Masonic Hall, Ontario Street, Phelps at 9 a.m. As is our usual custom, we will break bread at the Blue Ribbon Restaurant (Dutch treat) at 7:30 a.m., then to the Masonic Hall for coffee and doughnuts, after which we will have our meeting. At this Conclave we will discuss the Christmas Observance - the new Tactics to include the *Sword Manual*. This should hold us until the end of the meeting. We then adjourn to the downstairs dining room for coffee and doughnuts and a chance to socialize. Just as an aside, I haven't done the Commander's part for a few years; so that's one more reason to come and see if I can still do my stuff or - fall on my duff! (There are some that say I never could do my stuff and falling on my duff was standard procedure for me. Come visit and see for yourself).

Upcoming Events

November 7th - Regional Seminar and Zone School of Instruction at Attica Masonic

Roberts Receives Columbian Award from Cryptic Masons International

One of our own local Masonic Brothers was recognized and honored at the 186th Annual Assembly of the Grand Council, Cryptic Masons of the State of New York, held at the Crown Plaza in downtown Albany in August. Rev. and Most Illustrious Charles M. Roberts, Past Grand Master of the Grand Council Cryptic Masons of New York, a Brother highly active in both the York Rite of Freemasonry and the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, was recognized at the Annual Banquet of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of New York.

Most Illustrious Roberts was the recipient of the prestigious Columbian Award granted by the General Grand Council Cryptic Masons International for outstanding exemplary leadership and service to the Masonic Craft in general by a Cryptic Mason. Right Puissant George Sellars, Deputy Grand Master of General Grand Council Cryptic Masons International, was present to bestow the award. The award consists of a Certificate of Recognition and a Bronze Medal.



Roberts admires Columbian Award Medal from Grand Council Cryptic Masons International.



M. Ill. Charles M. Roberts holds Certificate and Medal presented to him at the Tri-Annual Banquet.

This award is granted every three years at the General Grand Council Cryptic Masons International Triennial Assembly. The past Triennial was held in Indianapolis, IN. The Most Puissant Maurice C. Himes General Grand Master of the General Grand Council Cryptic Masons International had the honor of selecting Most Illustrious Roberts upon the recommendation of the Regional District Deputy Grand Master for the Northeast at the time, Right Puissant Raymond Hassell of Rhode Island. The Northeast Region comprises 13 Northeastern States of the United States and three Canadian Provinces.

The Columbian Award is only granted to a maximum of ten Cryptic Masons every three years. We congratulate Rev. & Most Illustrious Roberts and his Lady Leslie upon being selected for this high distinction and honor in the Masonic Craft. Kudos to him and we look forward to more of his leadership and service to us all in the future. ✽

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Grand Officers

The Grand Line for 2009/2010 was installed by Sir Knight William Koon, Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States. They are: Sir Knight Christos G. Papadopoulos, Right Eminent Grand Commander; Sir Knight James R. MacConnell, Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander (Batavia Commandery); Sir Knight David Shire, Eminent Grand Generalissimo; Sir Knight Donald Berry, Eminent Grand Captain General; Sir Knight Kenneth I. Sussman, Eminent Grand Senior Warden; Sir Knight and Reverend Charles M. Roberts, Eminent Grand Junior Warden (Cyrene-Monroe Commandery and Sagoyewatha Commandery); Sir Knight George Emmons, Eminent Grand Standard Bearer, Sir Knight Fredrick Beitter, Eminent Grand Sword Bearer, Sir Knight Richard Kerimoglu, Eminent Grand Warden, Sir Knight Steven L. Wing, Right Eminent Past Grand Commander, Grand Recorder (Batavia Commandery), and Sir Knight Paul Barrera, Right Eminent Past Grand Commander, Grand Treasurer.

Eye Foundation

Both Cyrene-Monroe and DeMolay No. 22 were recognized at the Grand Commandery Conclave for their support of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. Cyrene-Monroe received a seal for its high per capita of over \$10 per Sir Knight (Total donation of \$895) while DeMolay No. 22 was recognized for a strong per capita donation of \$5 to \$9.99 per Sir Knight. Make every effort to support this important charity. If every Sir Knight were to donate just \$10 per year, your Commandery will garner recognition.

Caps & Mantles

The wearing of a Cap and Mantle was approved at Grand Commandery. With the following regulations:

The Cap & Mantle must conform to the regulations of The Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States. Specifically:

Section 41 (i): ... Constituent Commanderies may, if approved by their Grand Commandery, adopt the use of the Cap and Mantle as their official uniform. These can be worn for all Templar occasions provided that when appearing in public, the ENTIRE Commandery MUST be dressed in like manner - either in uniform or all in Cap and Mantle. The Cap and Mantle are prescribed as follows:

A. TEMPLAR MANTLE - In general, the mantle shall be of the style worn by medieval Templars and worn by the members of the Sovereign Great Priors. It shall consist of white material, with hood, reaching to approximately twelve inches to the floor and ornamented as follows:

1. For member of the Order below the rank of Commander: the Mantle shall be of white; the hood lined with a white silky material; the Passion Cross in bright red, nine inches in height on the left breast; the mantle to tie closely around the neck with white cords with white tassels.

2. For Commanders and Past Commanders: the Mantle shall have a single red ribbon, one inch wide, stitched one-half inch from the outer edge; the hood lined with similar red material; the Passion Cross in red with gold rays, nine inches in height on the left breast;

3. The mantle to tie closely around the neck with red cords with red tassels.

4. For Grand Officers and Past Grand Officers with permanent rank: the Mantle shall have the ribbon of a Past Commander and an additional red ribbon one-half inch wide, stitched one-half inch from said ribbon; the hood lined with similar red material; the Templar Cross in red, nine inches in height on the left breast; the mantle to tie closely around the neck with red cords with red tassels.

5. For Grand Commander: the Mantle shall have a single red ribbon two inches wide, stitched one inch from the outer edge; the hood lined with similar red material; the Templar Cross in red, nine inches in height on the left breast; the mantle to tie closely around the neck with red cords with red tassels.

6. For Past Grand Commanders: the Mantle shall have a single purple ribbon one and one-half inches wide, stitched three-quarters of an inch from the outer edge; the hood lined with similar purple material; the Templar Cross in purple, nine inches in height on the left breast; the mantle to tie closely around the neck with purple cords with purple tassels.

B. TEMPLAR CAP: The Templar Cap shall follow the design and specifications of the style worn by the Sovereign Great Priors, three inches in depth and slightly flared at the top

1. Members of the Order below the rank of Past Grand Commander: The cap shall be bright red velvet (or silk) and the cross displayed on the front of the cap shall be of appropriate rank - Red Passion Cross for members below the

rank of Commander; red Passion Cross with gold rays for Commanders and Past Commanders; red Templar Cross for all Grand Officers and Grand Officers with permanent rank.

2. For Past Grand Commanders: The cap shall be of purple velvet (or silk) with purple Templar Cross.

3. For all ranks the cross shall be two inches high.

C. COMMANDERY BADGE: The distinctive badge of constituent Commandery shall be worn on the right breast of the mantle. The badge shall be no less than five inches or more than eight inches high. The badge of the Commandery shall be superimposed on the Malta Cross, or the Malta Cross shall be incorporated within the Commandery badge.

The design shall be approved by the Grand Commandery committee on Jewels and Uniforms.

No other ornamentation or Templar jewels or recognitions shall be worn on the mantle.

D. SWORD AND SCABBARD: The sword and scabbard shall conform to the regulations of the Grand Encampment.

E. SWORD SLING: The sword shall be suspended, when required to be worn, on a sling to be worn over the right shoulder, of black leather one and one-half inches wide, of tailored or adjustable length according to the height of the Sir Knight, to terminate in two straps to fasten to the two upper rings of the scabbard.

Hope this provides you all with specifics as to the wearing of the Cap and Mantle. I would like to point out that it is acceptable within a tiled conclave a Sir Knight has the option to either wear the standard uniform or the Cap and Mantle - you can have Sir Knights in both types of uniforms. ONLY IN A TILED CONCLAVE - NOT IN PUBLIC. In public the entire Commandery must be in the same uniform - either the Standard Uniform or Caps & Mantles.

See you all around the Asylums. ✽

Sagoyewatha

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Hall, Registration - 8 a.m. (lunch \$10)

December 5th - Zone 11 Pilgrimage at Palmyra Masonic Hall. More information as it becomes available.

Christmas Observances
December 4th - DeMolay Commandery

December 19th - Sagoyewatha Commandery; 10 a.m.

December 21st - Cyrene-Monroe Commandery

I look forward to seeing you, and I do mean you, around the Holy Altar of our Order. ✽

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Zone 11 News

Zone Commander
SK Joseph F. Oelgoetz III

Zone 11 Happenings

Sir Knights, a lot is going on in Templary.

Commandery Events

Cyrene-Monroe - Asylum is located at the Pittsford Masonic Hall

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- Inspection: Monday, March 15, 2010; 7:30 p.m.: Inspecting Officer: Sir Knight Richard Kerimoglu, Eminent Grand Warden

Sagoyewatha No. 17 - Asylum is located at Phelps Masonic Hall

- November Conclave: Saturday, November 15th; Opening at 9:00 a.m. (breakfast at the Blue Ribbon Restaurant, Phelps beginning at 7:30 a.m.)

- Christmas Toast: Saturday, December 19th; 10:00 a.m. (breakfast at the Blue Ribbon Restaurant, Phelps beginning at 7:30 a.m.)

- Inspection- Saturday, May 15, 2010 (with Salem Town); 9:00 a.m. (breakfast at the Blue Ribbon Restaurant beginning at 7:30 a.m.). Inspecting Officer, Sir Knight George Emmons,

Eminent Grand Standard Bearer **DeMolay No. 22 - Asylum is located at the Hornell Masonic Center**

- November Conclaves: Thursday, November 5th and Thursday, November 19th

- Christmas Toast: Friday, December 4th; 7:30 p.m.

- Inspection - Thursday, April 1, 2010; Inspecting Officer: Sir Knight Richard Kerimoglu, Eminent Grand Warden

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Taxes, Taxes, Taxes!

By Thomas Michielsen

The leaves are falling faster than we can rake them. Halloween has passed and the children are stuffed with candy. The sweet smells of apple and pumpkin pies are in the air. Thanksgiving dinner will soon be cooking and we will all overeat and be stuffed for days to come.

Gambling Winnings & Losses

You may know when to hold 'em and when to fold 'em but do you know how and when to report 'em? Whether you are playing cards or the slots, it is important to know the rules about reporting gambling winnings and losses.

Here are seven things the Internal Revenue Service wants you to know about reporting what Lady Luck has sent your way.

1. All gambling winnings are fully taxable.
2. Gambling income includes, but is not limited to, winnings from lotteries, raffles, horse races,

poker tournaments and casinos. It includes cash winnings and also the fair market value of prizes such as cars and trips.

3. A payer is required to issue you a Form W-2G if you receive certain gambling winnings or if you have any gambling winnings subject to Federal income tax withholding.

4. Even if a W-2G is not issued, all gambling winnings must be reported as taxable income. Therefore, you may be required to pay an estimated tax on the gambling winnings.

5. You must report your gambling winnings on Form 1040, line 21.

6. If you itemize your deductions on Form 1040, Schedule A, you can deduct gambling losses you had during the year, but only up to the amount of your winnings. Your losses are not subject to the 2 percent of AGI Limitation.

7. It is important to keep an accurate diary or similar record of your gambling winnings and losses. To deduct your losses, you must be able to provide receipts, tickets, statements or other records that show the amount of both your winnings and losses.

Keeping Good Records Reduces Stress at Tax Time

Although most people won't be filing their Tax Returns for several months, now is a great time to start planning for the tax filing season by ensuring your records are organized. Whether you are an individual taxpayer or a business owner, you can avoid headaches at tax time with good records because they will help you remember transactions you made during the year.

Here are a few things the Internal Revenue Service wants you to know about recordkeeping.

Keeping well-organized records also ensures you can answer questions if your Return is selected for examination or prepare a response if you are billed for additional tax. In most cases, the Internal Revenue Service

does not require you to keep records in any special manner. Generally speaking, you should keep any and all documents that may have an impact on your Federal Tax Return.

Individual taxpayers should usually keep the following records supporting items on their Tax Returns for **at least three years:**

- 1) Bills
- 2) Credit card and other receipts
- 3) Invoices
- 4) Mileage logs
- 5) Canceled, imaged or substitute checks or any other proof of payment
- 6) Any other records to support deductions or credits you claim on your Return.

You should normally keep records relating to property until **at least three years** after you sell or otherwise dispose of the property. Examples include:

- 1) A home purchase or improvement
- 2) Stocks and other investments
- 3) Individual Retirement Arrangement transactions
- 4) Rental property records.

If you are a small business owner, you must keep all your employment tax records for **at least four years** after the tax becomes due or is paid, whichever is later. Examples of important documents business owners should keep include:

- 1) Gross receipts - Cash register tapes, bank deposit slips, receipt books, invoices, credit card charge slips and Forms 1099-MISC
- 2) Proof of purchases - Canceled checks, cash register tape receipts, credit card sales slips and invoices
- 3) Expense documents - Canceled checks, cash register tapes, account statements, credit card sales slips, invoices and petty cash slips for small cash payments
- 4) Documents to verify your assets - Purchase and sales invoices, real estate closing statements and canceled checks.

Upcoming 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

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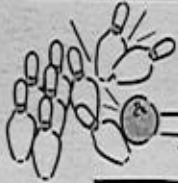
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By Derek VanHouten

We still have an active Bowling Team that meets weekly at the Rose Bowl on Buffalo Road in Bergen. We gather around 12:45 p.m., start bowling by 1 p.m. and usually finish up by 3 - 3:30 p.m.

If you have some time on your hands and want to join us for fellowship and some quality time, come see us. Currently we have Brothers Dave "Smiley" Liles, Derek "Boom Boom" Van Houten, Larry "Go Get Em" Belluscio, Dick "Dead Eye" Howard and Jack "Smoothie" Spencer.

We do have fun and don't take ourselves too seriously. There is free coffee to enjoy and it's a good way to spend a couple of hours.



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Lalla Rookh GROTTO News

Legion
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James Toogood
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Secretary's Column

By Kenneth Hutchinson, PM

Bell's Travels

Mike and Doris Bell continue to send postcards, keeping us informed on their location. As of September 30th, they are heading back East from the New Mexico area. They have enjoyed their sojourn and are pleased as punch.

Pondering

We are all of one thought and goal ... that being the advancement and well-being of Lalla Rookh Grotto and being of one mind with different opinions of how to reach that goal.

Some would say we should revert back to the old ways of doing things ... back to what time period? How far back? - 20, 40, 50 years? In the early 1900s, the Supreme Council stopped all humor in the Installation of Officers. More recently our Revels Unit ceased to exist, which stopped the fun after the Ceremonial. Next was the Patrol, simply because of lack of interest. Renewed interest could bring them back.

The Grotto has always been the extension of the Lodge with fun activities. We have been known as being family-oriented, with group activities for all. Family picnics, baseball games, trips with our ladies, and many more things. This is what we should think of getting back to.

Newer ideas of group entertainment include dinner with our ladies and then the theater, hockey or baseball games, dinner cruise on the canal, etc. Again, it matters not who's idea it is. We must get back to entertainment at each meeting.

Let each and every one leave with a feeling of well-being and very glad they spent the evening in the good fellowship of fellow Prophets.

The Past Monarchs have the ability to take action and have the responsibility to do so. It is my sincerest wish that you will be inspired to rise to new heights, so our Grotto will take from you a new measure of enthusiasm and go on to the greatness which it can eventually attain.

Nominations

At the October Grotto meeting, we nominate Prophets for the top three offices, as well as Secretary, Treasurer and Venerable Prophet; one Trustee and two Board Members. Those nominees are:

Monarch Bernard Lazerson
Chief Justice James Toogood
Master of Ceremonies

Richard Topel

Secretary Ken Hutchinson
Treasurer Brian Bills
Venerable Prophet

Joseph Minas

Trustee for 3 Years

Ronald Morthorst

Trustee for 1 Year

James Toogood

Board of Governors

Two, 3-year positions

Richard Bull

Easton Kelsey

It is the duty of the membership to come out and cast your vote for the nominated candidates.



Jim Toogood, Monarch, presents check to Charles Waterstreet, Executive Director of the Masonic Service Bureau. Marshal Dick Topel observes.



Commander Brian Bills presented Certificates to members of the Grotto Legion of Honor Color Guard acknowledging their years of support. (l-r) Dick Topel, Greg Ludwig, Brian Bills, Heinz Gunkel and Bill Fredenburg.

Elections

On December 16th at 6:30 p.m., we will have the traditional Turkey Dinner, free with reservation and 2010 Dues Card. It will precede the Election. The Monarch-elect will announce the Appointed Officers after he is elected. A Closed Installation will follow.

November 18th - The next Grotto meeting is an open meeting at 7:30 p.m.; Refreshments follow.

We welcome you all back to the fold. Our first meeting was held at the Grotto Office on September 21st. After some discussion it was agreed that when we have a special dinner, the widows of past members of the Grotto Legion of Honor will be guests of the Legion of Honor. If you are a widow of a past member, please contact Ron Morthorst as he is updating the list for us.

On October 19th, we had a dinner with our ladies at the Nutcracker Restaurant in Webster. Not much business was conducted but we sure did have a wonderful time spending the time with our significant others.

On October 21st, the Lalla Rookh Grotto had their Awards Dinner. At the presentation, Monarch James Toogood called upon the Commander of the Legion of Honor for his presentations.

Upcoming Events

It was announced that on Monday, November 16th, there will be a Harvest Dinner with the Masonic War Veterans. The dinner will be at the Fairport Masonic Hall. We will have a Social Hour at 5:30 p.m. and eat around 6:30 p.m. There will be

no business conducted with the exception of announcements for upcoming events.

Legion of Honor

By Brian Bills, Commander

Upcoming Events

November 7th - Orak Grotto Monarch's Ball, Option House, Bradford, PA; Entrée choices:

- 1) Prime Rib
- 2) Italian Scrod
- 3) Charbroiled Chicken Breast

\$22 per person; Reservations with Pete Peclyno (814) 368-7257

November - TBA - Iran-Tri-Po-Bed Grottoes Monarch's Ball

TBA - Balbec-Aahmes Grottoes Monarch's Ball

Sickness and Distress

If you know of anyone in sickness or distress, or in need of our aid or sympathy, please let anyone of your officers know.

Dues Cards

In November, I will be mailing the 2010 Dues Notices to you. A number of 2009 Dues Cards have not been picked up, which is a concern.

Let's start 2010 with a renewed commitment to the welfare of Lalla Rookh Grotto. Let's bring in those Brothers and show them and their families what the Grotto is all about. We need to share our Humanitarian Programs; The United Cerebral Palsy dance or party, two toothbrush events each year.

Then we will get the Grotto to grow and have something already planned for every other month to keep our Prophets excited and involved with their Grotto. Don't forget to plan other events for family fun.

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



James Toogood
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We received another postcard from Michael Bell; he and Doris are headed to Texas ... moving Eastward for the Winter.

The Grotto Legion of Honor and Masonic War Veterans marched in the Columbus Day Parade.

Everyone who came to the ESGA Fall Convention, held in Rochester, had a good time.

An Edict came from the Grand Monarch ... to reinstate all former members, who went NPD, by paying current Dues of \$31 plus \$11 in Fees and Assessments.

November 18th - Grotto meeting.

Grand Historian



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Secretary Charles M. Colton read thank you notes from the family members of the deceased for flowers sent by the Grotto at the time of their funerals.

Chief Justice Edward Sweeting reported arrangements for the Annual Monarch's Dinner. The choice of Menu was voted upon.

The menu was Roasted Vermont Turkey, dressing, fruit salad, mashed potatoes, giblet gravy, squash, cranberries, rolls, ice cream cake and coffee.

This may have been how we got started having turkey each year at December's Annual Meeting.

The ad read: "Annual Monarch's Dinner, Saturday evening, November 18, 1939, Masonic Temple Ballroom, Entertainment - Dancing - Surprises, 'A Night for the Ladies,' Dinner at 6:30 - \$1 per plate. 'NUF SED!'"

Before World War II, there were many without employment. In the December 20, 1939 meeting, 84 names of Prophets were read off for Non-Payment of Dues.

Hopefully those Prophets asked to be reinstated when their personal problems improved.

Beverly Murray was re-elected as Supreme Rodeval. At the evening Installation of the

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Attend Grotto Meetings

November 2nd
Board of Governors Meeting - 7 p.m.
Shrine Center

November 18th
Grotto Meeting - 7:30 p.m.
Program - TBD
Shrine Center

December 7th
Board of Governors Meeting - 7 p.m.
Shrine Center

Friday, December 11th
Grotto/Shrine/Scottish Rite Spaghetti Dinner & Decorating Party

Saturday, December 12th
Grotto/Shrine/Scottish Rite All-Masonic Christmas Party
Shrine Center

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Caldron News

By Donna Laundry, MCO

Supreme Sessions

Fourteen members from Lalla Rookh Caldron attended Supreme Sessions in San Diego in September. What a super turnout and a good time as well. Most of us went three days early to see and experience special sites in the area - Old Town, the famous Zoo, Sea World and Hollywood ... Betty Madison and Sue Wilson visited relatives in the area.

Quetta Caldron, home of Supreme MCO Joyce Johnson, provided interesting entertainment, programs and events during the week. We saw a demonstration by a Border Patrol Canine unit, viewed two Native Americans in full costume doing traditional dances and enjoyed a lovely two-hour Harbor Cruise. Some went on the Aerospace Museum tour. The table decorations and favors for the various dinners and lunches were done very nicely as well.

The Convention meals and meetings followed the usual schedule. All were held in the Crowne Plaza Hotel where we were staying, so we didn't have to travel to get to them.

Congratulations!

On the final day, PSMCO



Order of the Eastern Star

Grand Patron's Volunteer Award

R.W. George J. Bundoc Honored Posthumously at OES Grand Sessions

By Jan Porter



New York State OES members gathered in Binghamton

September 10-12 for the 140th Grand Session of the Order of the Eastern Star. A highlight of the Sessions for Members of Monroe District was the posthumous recognition of George J. Bundoc for the Grand Patron's Volunteer Award.

This year was the first for such an award and requests for applications were sent to all Chapters earlier in the year. Joy Woodley initiated the process for one of our members to be considered for the Grand Patron's Volunteer Award.

It was a surprise to hear the name and achievements of George Bundoc read as a recipient of this Award. On behalf of his companion, Sharon McComber, Monroe District and Starlight Chapter, Joy Woodley accepted the award.

George Bundoc was a model Fraternal Brother – an active, participating member in all organizations of membership and

one who offered his time, talent and service whenever possible.

George was born in the United States, the son of Philippine immigrants. His mild, hospitable manner always highlighted the success he had interacting with people – both in his business as well as Fraternal.

Memberships

R.W. George was a reliable and staple member of Fraternal organizations that included Order of the Eastern Star, newly affiliated with Starlight Chapter; Masonic Service Bureau Council, Past Master of Valley-Simes Lodge; Damascus Shriners; York Rite Bodies, RAM – Hiram Chapter, Doric Council and Cyrene/Monroe Commandery.

Offices Held

George joined OES, Rochester Chapter No. 314 in 1982 and immediately became active. He served as Patron the first time in 1990, after which he

served eight more times. R.W. George served as District Grand Lecturer in 2006.

Dedication

George always worked hard on District fundraising events. When M.W. Wanda Williams was going through the Grand Line, the District held many Spaghetti Dinners for which George donated all of the bread, adding to the profits of each dinner. Until a couple of years ago, George worked hard on the Annual District Chicken Bar-B-Que. When he could no longer "work" on the event, he came and ate.

Before many health issues impeded his abilities, George assisted with maintenance at Camp DeMolay, a 16-acre facility that's owned and operated by the Masonic Service Bureau. George also helped an OES group serve lunches at the Veterans Outreach Center each month and actively supported the VA Facility in Canandaigua.



Although he had been legally blind for the last 10 years and could no longer drive, he continued to participate in his work in the Order.

His Ritual work was impeccable and he will be remembered throughout the District for his excellent memorization and delivery of the Work – both OES and Masonic.

George was a "Star" volunteer and this Award was well deserved. ❧

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beans and scalloped potatoes were good, but the chicken meatloaf really made the meal.

Carol Pickworth circulated snapshots of the Pickworth Castle in Montego Bay, CA. Stucco and tile and huge picture windows - golly what a view! But she didn't stay. She claims it was because the mansion was too far out in the country, but we all knew she couldn't bear to be away from Nolatka.

Tracy Dalykas swooped in with her two little escorts and made us pots of gourmet tea. This writer really liked the "Orange Roibios" best, but the others had admirers, too. The dessert bars were excellent, and so were the butter cookies and chocolate hash bars. Again, I felt that special glow when the Chapter decided to contribute to the next Salvation Army project that Tracy runs.

We also conducted some business in addition to feeding the Patron, Associate Patron and Sentinel (although the ladies enjoy doing that task!) We each got our Dues Notice. I encourage every member to send her check as soon as possible. Or better yet, BRING your check to our Annual Meeting on November 3rd. It is Election Day, and of course you will be going out to vote, so just vote at 6 p.m. and then come to Nolatka at 7 p.m. That's easy, isn't it?

I'm sorry we had to cancel the wine trip. This year we were going to do the Niagara loop rather than the Finger Lakes loop, but with the economy the way it is, we had too few riders. I am told the trip to Oriskany was an adventure, so the wine tour would have been great, but next year we'll make up for it. Matron Pat Dalykas promised she would do the organizing for the next Matron, Jean Stewart.

Farewell to a Sister

We said goodbye to Kathleen Skelton. Again, that good feeling as we "are of benefit." All my membership, we had been getting updates on Kathleen from Sue

Huff. It was natural and fitting to be part of her leave-taking.

Now, Sisters and Brothers, I would like to be able to publish news about some of you out there so send me or the Secretary a little update on what you are doing. ❧

**Corinthian/
Fellowship**

Chapter No. 322
Order of the Eastern Star
2nd & 4th Wednesdays
7:30 p.m.

W. Marilyn Israel, Matron
W. Robert Israel, Patron
461-3254

Secretary
R. W. Beverly VanHuben
647-1391
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It is hard to believe the year is coming to an end. Plans are being made for the Installation of new Officers on December 9th.

I recall my Installation Day where the Crown represented the symbol of Power; a White Rose, Hope; a small Basket, the Future; a Ring, eternity; a Com-

pass, Direction and books, Knowledge. A single White Rose and a Red Rose remained at the foot of the Dias, symbolizing Double Hope.

It has been a quiet year and I am still praying for that mystical moment when our Chapters will start bringing in new members.

November brings us our Turquoise Dinner on the 11th at 6 p.m. We will also have the Draping of the Altar and Elections for the ensuing year.

November Birthdays

Beverly VanHuben, 9th; Joyce Bernhardt, 15th; and Gwendolyn Gardier, 16th.

Happy Thanksgiving. This is also the Day of the Covenant for the Baha'i and Hajj for the Islamic Communities.

Keep our Brothers and Sisters in your prayers.

I close with a Celtic Prayer.
*May the white winged angels
Encircle thee around.
May they guide thy footsteps
Upon the holy ground.* ❧

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In September, Initiations began with Eagle Star Chapter welcoming a new Sister and Brother. Neighbor Night and Bring-a-Friend Night are being held to answer questions of potential candidates regarding the Order's organization and purposes.

The O/S/Y Stars began the Summer Season with some joining their Masonic Brothers in the Memorial Day Parade in Waterloo and Ye Olde Home Day festivities in Interlaken. On August 7th, we celebrated the Homecoming of Commissioner of Appeals – West, R.W. Sister Elaine Milner and Associate Grand Marshal, R.W. CarolAnn Farnung.

October found Grand Chapter Sessions just around the corner. Binghamton is the new location for this event. Our District will welcome Clayton Barnard as Associate Grand Sentinel for the upcoming year and formally welcome R.W. Paul Farnung as Grand Representative of South Dakota.

The Livingston District is joining with the O/S/Y District to put on a Spoof Fashion Show and Tea at Garoga-Sincerity Lodge Hall in Phelps on October 31st at 2 p.m. Word has it that both Districts' DGLs will be models along with a number of Sisters. A \$5 donation will go to the "Save Our Home" Project. ❧

By Bob Crystal

Have you ever suddenly realized that you are really blessed? I got that feeling from Nolatka this Fall. I met a member of our "landlord" church at the hospital and when she and I figured out from where we knew each other, she told me, "Thank you for meeting in our church. We really like having you there." It got me thinking. I belong to a really great group.

This month, Nolatka helped about 100 kids go shopping at JCPenney. JCP gave the Salvation Army a 50% discount. We didn't contribute money, but contributed time, patience, advocacy and our sense of caring for others. We helped children select a winter coat, gloves or mittens, a hat, a pair of jeans and a scarf. The kids also got a bag of snacks ... an apple, mini-muffins and a juice box. Many children gave their volunteer a thank you note for helping them. The closing prayer at our meetings says, "that we can be of real benefit ..." Well, when we do that, it is really great!

Our meeting on October 6th was a real treat. We started with a meal together, catered by our Secretary, the most excellent Carol Wynings. There was some discussion as to whether she could give up babysitting the grandkids to start a new career on the Food Network. We all agreed she could replace the Barefoot Contessa. The green



Lilac Star Chapter #57
Order of the Eastern Star
**Annual Autumn
Card Party and Luncheon**

Monday, November 9th

10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Cards at 10 a.m.

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30 Orchard Street, Webster

A Chicken and Biscuit Luncheon
will be served at 12 Noon

(You may attend the Luncheon and not stay for cards.)

Donation \$8

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In Memoriam

Alexander, Richard J.

Richard Alexander went to the waiting arms of his wife on October 10th. He was a U.S. Army Veteran of World War II and an honored member of ERAC Lodge. We wish you the gift of a memory whenever you need to know, the one you love still walks with you wherever you go.

Daggett, Walter R.

On October 11th, Walter R. Daggett, 82, found loving peace in the arms of the Lord. He is survived by his wife, Phyllis, 3 children and 5 grandchildren. Walter was a member of Damascus Shrine and many Masonic organizations. He was the recipient of the Masonic Dedicated Service Award for his life-long service to the organizations. He served in the U.S. Navy in World War II and will long be remembered for his community dedication.

Hirsch, Herbert R.

Herbert Hirsch, 71, departed his Earthly family October 18th, leaving his wife, Phyllis, 2 children and 2 grandchildren to remember his legacy. Herb was a member of Fairport-Flower City and Northfield Lodges. Earth has no sorrow that Heaven cannot heal.

Jewell, Wayne R.

Wayne R. Jewell, 66, passed away October 1st and will always be cherished by his wife, Linda, 3 children and 10 grandchildren. Wayne was a member of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge. When someone you love becomes a memory, the memory becomes a treasure.

Knapp, C. Robert

The loving arms of the Lord embraced Robert Knapp, 92, on October 13th. His wife, Susanna, 1 daughter and 2 grandsons will keep his memory in their hearts forever. Robert was a member of Drumlin Square Lodge and an Air Force Veteran of World War II. A page in our book of memories is gently turned today.

Roe, Joseph S.

Joseph Roe, 87, went to the Celestial Lodge September 29th. Joe was a 66-year member of Craftsman Robertson Lodge and a World War II Navy Veteran. May he find peace with the Lord.

Sanders, E. William, Jr.

Bill Sanders, 78, entered Eternal Rest on August 13th, leaving his wife, Inez, 3 children, 7 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild to cherish his memory. Bill was a member of Scottish Rite Valley of Rochester and many other Masonic organizations. May the joys of the Lord be your strength.

**Veterans Day
November 11th**



Say "Thanks" to a Veteran for the Freedoms you enjoy!

Remember the Brotherhood Fund

Masonic Activities Looking Ahead

DECEMBER

- 1st O/S/Y Garoga-Sincerity Official Visit
- 5th Scottish Rite - 4°, 6°, 14° and 15°
- 6th OES Monroe District Reception for Grand Officers
- 9th Masonic Development Course, Caledonia
- 11th Holiday Decoration Party, Shrine Center
- 11th Tall Cedars Holiday Party, Rick's Prime Rib House
- 12th All Masonic Children's Holiday Party, Shrine Center

JANUARY

- 13th Masonic Development Course, Caledonia
- 16th Scottish Rite - Public Degree
- 20th Masters & Wardens, (Dinner @ 6) 6:30 p.m., Shrine Center
- 20th School of Ritual, 7:30 p.m., Shrine Center
- 21st Scottish Rite
- 26th-28th MSAT Workshop, Utica

FEBRUARY

- 6th Road to the East, Caledonia
- 13th Road to the East, Caledonia
- 20th Road to the East, Caledonia

MARCH

- 31st Masters & Wardens, (Dinner @ 6) 6:30 p.m., Scottsville
- 31st School of Ritual, 7:30 p.m., Scottsville

APRIL

- 9th-10th 2010 College of Freemasonry, Shrine Center
- 13th-15th MSAT Workshop, Utica
- 29th Masters & Wardens, Penfield

MAY

JUNE

- 29th Masters & Wardens, Webster

Widows to be Remembered

Painton, Mildred, 98, widow of Jay Painton (Craftsman Robertson Lodge), passed away October 7th.

Pinston, Lembi, 82, widow of Abel Pinston (Wakan-Hubbard Lodge), passed away October 1st.

Rumsey, Esther L., 90, widow of Duane Rumsey (Union Lodge), passed away October 12th.

Sheldon, June B., 83, widow of Douglas G. Sheldon (Unity Lodge), passed away October 17th.

Smith, Ruth, widow of Raymond Smith (Craftsman Robertson Lodge), passed away September 29th.

Stutzman, Helen B., 86, widow of Rowe M. Stutzman (Fairport-Flower City Lodge), passed away October 1st.

Caldron

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2010 Officers, she was installed as Supreme Rodeval and Donna Laundry was installed as Supreme American Flag Bearer for new SMCO Karen Kranz.

Sickness and Distress

We learned just before going to Sessions that Dorothy Merritt had fallen and broken her hip. She had surgery, rehab and is now at home doing therapy.

Helen Francis' brother passed away. She thinks of us often and would love to hear from members.

My year is drawing to a close and it has been a great experience. I appreciate all the help I have received and my Officers for being so faithful.

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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Clio Lodge Spaghetti Dinner October 14th and 28th 287 East Avenue, Hilton	ERAC - Shrine Center Fairport-Flower City Union Star - Honeye Falls Unity - Spencerport Wakan-Hubbard - Penfield Shrine Lunch Club	Eagle - Honeye Seneca - Webster Valley-Simes, Shrine Center OES - Leah - Hilton; Mary Jane Holmes - Brockport	Oatka - Scottsville Webster - Fellowcraft Masonic Service Bureau Monthly Luncheon Meeting Shrine Legion of Honor OES - Corinthian-Fellowship	Fame, Shrine Center Milnor - Shortsville Union - Lima Webster - Fellowcraft RAM - Hiram Lalla Rookh Caldron - Executive Council		
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	Canandaigua - Shortsville RAM - Palmyra/Eagle KT - Cyrene/Monroe - Pitsford Lalla Rookh Grotto, Legion of Honor Shrine Lunch Club Auburn Shrine Club	Clio - Hilton Craftsman Robertson, Shrine Center Garoga-Sincerity - Phelps Nunda Station Oakland - Castile OES - Fairport, Nolaoka, Starlight	Ark - Geneva Drumlin Square - Palmyra Livonia Olive Branch - LeRoy OES - Lilac Star	Eunice - Caledonia Northfield - Pitsford Webster Scottish Rite, Symbolic Lodge Awards - Shrine Center Spaghetti Dinner, Eagle - Honeye		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	ERAC - Shrine Center Fairport-Flower City Union Star - Honeye Falls Wakan-Hubbard - Penfield Shrine Lunch Club Geneva Shrine Club	Eagle - Honeye Seneca - Webster OES - Leah - Hilton	Oatka - Scottsville Tall Cedars of Lebanon Directors Staff OES - Corinthian-Fellowship	Thanksgiving		Spaghetti Dinner, 5-7 p.m. Oatka Lodge-Scottsville
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