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Distinguished Community Service Award Presented to Sabra Wood

Sample Soap Collections Aid Agencies



Sabra Wood with Samples

By Gary Sanford

This year's Interfaith Service and Brunch, sponsored by the Masonic Service Bureau, will be held on Sunday, October 18th at the Damascus Shrine Center. The doors will open at 9:30 a.m. with the service starting at 10 a.m. and followed by the brunch along with the presentation of the 2009 Distinguished Community Service Award.

All Masonic and related bodies, and the general public, are invited to attend. Prepaid tickets/reservations are available through Organization Secretaries or by contacting the Masonic Service Bureau. The cost for this year's event is \$10 per person.

Sabra Wood

The recipient of the Distinguished Community Service Award this year will be Sabra Wood. Sabra is the founder of "Sample Soap" which collects toiletries from many different organizations and distributes them to agencies such as Sojourner House, Charles Settlement House, Women's Place, AIDS Rochester, Genesis House, House of Mercy, R.L. Edwards Senior Housing, Open Door Mission, to name a few. Under Sabra's leadership, "Sample Soap" was incorporated as a Not-for-Profit Charity. Since 1990, over 50,000 pounds of toiletries have been distributed within the Rochester area. In 1994 "Sample Soap" received the National Make-a-Difference Day Award and Points of Light Foundation. You may see more information at its website: www.samplesoap.org.

Another current volunteer activity is "Winters Warmth Soup Benefit" which is where, on the first Friday in January, guests buy a hand-made bowl and enjoy dinner at Crocus Clay Works. All proceeds go to Healthy Sisters Bean Project.

Sabra has served on the Boards of the following: Food Link, BOA Publishing, Rochester Broadway Theatre League, Rochester Regional Library Council, Seneca Park Zoo and Susan B. Anthony House. She has also donated time as a mentor to Women Helping Girls Make Choices and Wilson Commencement Park and was Xerox organizer for Jackie Owens' project to purchase new undies and sleepwear for battered women. As you can see, she has participated, and still does participate, in many community volunteer activities, which do make a positive improvement in our community.

If you would like to bring a toiletry item to donate, I'm sure she would gladly accept them for Sample Soap. These products are urgently needed. As you know, personal hygiene products cannot be purchased with food stamps.

Interfaith Service

Our morning will begin with the 68th Interfaith Service. This year we have R.:W.: Herbert Spencer acting on behalf of our Jewish Brethren and Deacon Wil Johnson, who is on the

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Stephen R. Whittaker Elected Active Member of Supreme Council

Submitted by Ill.: G. Michael Morris, 33°

At the 197th consecutive Annual Meeting of the Supreme Council of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America, Stephen R. Whittaker, 33°, was elected and installed as an Active Member of the Supreme Council. There are currently 52 Active members who govern this Supreme Council that represents 190,000 members. John William McNaughton, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander, is the presiding Officer.

This branch of Freemasonry, with headquarters located in Lexington, Massachusetts, was chartered in 1812 and supports nearly 100 Consistorial Valleys in fifteen northeastern States. It confers the 4th through the 32nd Degrees upon 3rd Degree Freemasons who petition for membership. The conferral of the 33rd Degree is a national honorarium that recognizes service, leadership, dedication and commitment to the principles of brotherly love and care among fellow men.

Stephen has been a Scottish Rite Freemason for 30 years and a Freemason for 42 years.



Ill.: Stephen R. Whittaker, 33°

In the Valley of Rochester, which has 900 members, he is a Past Commander-in-Chief and

Only 4th Valley of Rochester member ever to be elected Active Member of Supreme Council

has served as the Deputy's Representative for five years. Since the Valley of Rochester received its charter in 1867, he is only the fourth member to have been

elected to the Supreme Council as an Active Member. In its 142 year history, he is the only member of the Valley of Rochester that has worn the black cap of a member, the gold Cap of an officer, the red cap of a Meritorious Service Award recipient, the white cap of a 33rd Degree Scottish Rite Mason and the Purple Cap of an Active Member of Supreme Council. He will join with the Deputy of New York as one of six Active Members in New York state to assist in administering and managing the operations of the sixteen Valleys in New York that are part of the Supreme Council.

Stephen is the Vice President of Quality Management and Sustainability Initiatives at Monroe Litho, where he has been employed for 26 years. He is a graduate of the Rochester Institute of Technology's School of Printing Management and Sciences, where he currently serves as an Adjunct Professor.

He and his wife Ann have been married for over 40 years and reside in Fairport. Their daughter, Laura, and son, Michael, and his wife, Emily, live in the metropolitan Boston area. »

Grand Lecturer's Conventions in October

7th - OSY at Garoga-Sincerity, Phelps

12th - Wayne at Drumlin Square, Palmyra

13th - Livingston at Phoenix, Dansville

14th - Genesee-Wyoming at Constellation, Perry

23rd - Monroe at Fairport-Flower City



R.:W.: Charles Toombs

The Grand Lecturer of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York, R.:W.: Charles Toombs, has a busy month in our area. If you would like a dinner, please contact the Master of Secretary of your Lodge or one of the following Officers in your District:

October 7th, the Dinner at Garoga-Sincerity Lodge is at 6:30 p.m. Contacts are the Assistant Grand Lecturers for the District, R.:W.: Bob Ruggles (315-548-3573) or R.:W.: Bruce Huie (315-789-2985);

October 12th, the Dinner at Drumlin Square Lodge is FREE. All Lodges were requested to have their reservations in by October 1st. Call V.:W.: William C. Benedict II, AGL at 315-524-3579 - there may still be time to fit you in. Their Convention begins at 4:00 p.m., with the break for Dinner about 6:00 p.m.;

October 13th, we received no information on a Dinner at Phoenix Lodge. Contact the District Deputy, R.:W.: John Gallant (624-9629), or R.:W.: Roy Moses, AGL, (346-2117) for more information;

October 14th, Constellation Lodge in Perry is hosting a Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Try District Deputy Grand Master, R.:W.: Wayne Patridge (493-5296),

or the Assistant Grand Lecturer, V.:W.: Dennis Parmerter at 535-0595;

October 23rd, W.: Thomas Goodrich and his crew will again put on their famous Steak Dinner for participants at the Monroe District Convention at the Fairport Masonic Hall. Reservations can be made with either of the Assistant Grand Lecturers, V.:W.: Harry DeHollander, at 624-1717, or V.:W.: Hugh Woodside, at 330-5886.

If the Master, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Senior Deacon, Junior Deacon and the two Masters of Ceremony from your Lodge are in attendance, you qualify for the Howard Potts Award, which will be presented at Grand Lodge Sessions in May, 2010. »

Individual Development Course has been cancelled

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Some ramblings from my mind, which is ever growing more feeble! As I wait for our Summer to get here, it dawns on me that it is about time for our Snowbirds to head to warmer climates for their Winter hiatus.

To that end, I remind those who fit the category, that address information for your paper will not automatically be changed because you have told me (us) that you are leaving. You MUST tell us WHEN you leave. This is a result of several incidents in the recent past where individuals either did not go South after all, or departed later than their original plans... some due to unfortunate circumstances. Please keep us informed so receive your issues in a timely fashion.

CELL PHONES

How did we ever survive all those years before these were invented and became a necessity? Sometimes it is comical. A few days before I wrote this, I saw a man walking on the street, talking on a cell phone and waving his free arm and hand to illustrate his point to the person on the other end. He was totally oblivious to the world around him, but had important business to transact at that moment. Maybe I've done that, too!

Yes, I have a cell phone and yes, it has gone off on occasion at an inopportune time. I try diligently to remember to put it on vibrate when I go to church or into a meeting. It takes a conscious effort.

Recently I was at a Masonic meeting when no less than four cell phones rang. This is disruptive, annoying and downright rude to the presiding officer and speaker(s). Gentlemen, and Ladies, don't guess that your cell phone is turned off...check it BEFORE the function begins. If you are anticipating a call that is so important you can't bear to miss it, maybe you should not be at the event. Just my opinion and thoughts.

INTERFAITH SERVICE

The 68th Interfaith Service and Brunch will be held on Sunday, October 18th, at the Damascus Shrine Center. The Service, in the Meeting Room, will begin at 10:00 a.m.; the Brunch, in the Dining Room, will follow about 11:00 a.m.

Illustrious Sir Bruce Chilton, Potentate of Damascus Shriners, has graciously provided the venue for this year's event. We have a volunteer staff who will prepare the buffet. These changes have allowed us to reduce the price of the tickets to \$10 per person. As is the custom, a free-will offering will be received at the Interfaith Service. This is donated to the Charity of Choice of our Distinguished Community Service Award recipient. Her story is found on the front page.

Maybe this doesn't belong in my column, but I hope a few people might read the notice here and consider coming. Your organization Secretary can give you more details, or you may call us at the Service Bureau or just send in your check. No tickets will be sold at the door.

Thanks for reading.

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Interfaith Service

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Staffs of Our Lady Queen of Peace and St. Thomas More Parishes in Brighton, will represent the Catholic Faith.

The current Master of Valley-Simes Lodge, R.:W.: Spencer is well-known in Masonic circles. He is the former Secretary of Valley-Simes Lodge, and has been active in the Monroe District Secretaries Association and the Purple Club of the Monroe District. Brother Herb is Treasurer of the Masonic Service Bureau and assists with the production of the Masonic Times.



Wil Johnson, a member of the Rochester Police Department, has served the St. Thomas More congregation for several years and, most recently, was appointed to shared duties with Our Lady Queen of Peace parishoners. He graciously accepted our request to participate this year.

Due to the sudden critical illness of R.:W.: Paul Gleason, a substitute was being solicited as this issue went to press. It was Brother Paul's turn to give the homily.

Please join us in worshipping together and honoring Sabra Wood, an outstanding community servant.

50+ gallons of blood donated by Webster Lodge Brothers



W.: Norm Howard, holding his Certificate, and W.: Nick Haldupis.

Two Brothers were honored recently for the volume of blood they have donated through the American Red Cross. Nick Haldupis received a pin for donating more than 20 gallons.

Norm Howard was selected 2009 Volunteer of the Year, by the Wayne County Chapter, for more than 30 gallons donated and for co-ordinating Blood Drives for more than 30 years.

Support the Masonic Care Community

By Ira Cooperman

In promoting the importance of the Masonic Care Community during the past six years, and encouraging members of our Craft to support it, I have attempted to articulate a message that is consistent with Masonic values. For isn't it the obligation of each Mason to help care for our Brethren, their widows and orphans?

That is what the staff of the Masonic Care Community has been doing, with a great deal of tender loving care, for more than 100 years - since 1893.

At the Skilled Nursing Care Health Pavilion, at Acacia Village's independent living retirement community, and with the residential adult care that is provided at Wiley Hall, the Masonic Care Community constantly is focused on its mission

... to provide the highest quality of care. Our residents come first. Our Masonic values are what drive the care we provide each of our residents.

A Personal Note

It has been an honor and a personal privilege for me to communicate this message to the members of our Craft whom I have met in Monroe District and throughout New York State. Promoting the Masonic Care Community, discussing its values and encouraging tax-deductible contributions, has been a labor of love. But even all good things must come to an end, and that includes my full-time service at the "Home."

Beginning on October 1st, I will become a volunteer at the Masonic Care Community, for I have accepted the position of Executive Director of both the

Jewish Community Center of Utica and the Jewish Community Federation of the Mohawk Valley. But please don't allow that to prevent you from continuing to support the Masonic Care Community - your "Masonic Home."

Each member of the Craft can help the Masonic Care Community to maintain the highest possible quality of care. Please consider making a tax-deductible donation in honor or in memory of a loved one.

Wall of Honor

For contributions of \$1,000 or more, the Masonic Care Community will be pleased to create an attractive plaque on our Wall of Honor. For further information, please call (315) 798-4703 or (315) 798-4881. Thanks for your consideration and all your support.

Taxes, Taxes, Taxes! By Tom Michielsen tmichie1@rochester.rr.com

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

In 2009 and 2010, the Making Work Pay provision of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act will provide a refundable tax credit of up to \$400 for working individuals and up to \$800 for married taxpayers filing joint returns.

This tax credit will be calculated at a rate of 6.2 percent of earned income and will phase out for taxpayers with modified adjusted gross income in excess of \$75,000, or \$150,000 for married couples filing jointly.

For people who receive a paycheck and are subject to withholding, the credit will typically be handled by their employers through automated withholding changes in early Spring. These changes may result in an increase in take-home pay. The amount of the credit will be computed on the employee's 2009 Income Tax Return filed in 2010. Taxpayers who do not have taxes withheld by an employer during the year can also claim the credit on their 2009 Tax Return.

The Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008 established a tax credit for first-time homebuyers that can be worth up to \$7,500. For homes purchased in 2008, the credit is similar to a no-interest loan and must be repaid in 15 equal, annual installments beginning with the 2010 income tax year.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 expanded the first-time homebuyer credit by increasing the credit amount to \$8,000 for purchases made in 2009 before December 1st.

For a home purchased in 2009, the credit does not have to be paid back unless the home ceases to be the taxpayer's main residence within a three-year period following the purchase.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act permits taxpayers to take a deduction for State and local sales and excise taxes paid on the purchase of new cars, light trucks, motor homes and motorcycles. The deduction is available on new vehicles purchased from February 17, 2009, through December 31, 2009. In States that don't have a sales tax, the law provides a deduction for other taxes or fees paid. This deduction is available whether or not a taxpayer itemizes deductions on Schedule A. The deduction is limited to the taxes and fees paid on up to \$49,500 of the purchase price of an eligible vehicle.

Fringe Benefits

Under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, the monthly tax exclusion for employer-provided commuter highway vehicle transportation and transit pass benefits increased to \$230, effective from March through December 2009.

Employees may exclude from income \$230 per month in transit benefits and \$230 per month in parking benefits -- up to a maximum of \$460 per month. Employees may receive benefits for commuter transportation and transit passes and benefits for parking during the same month; they are not mutually exclusive.

These qualified transportation fringe benefits are excluded from an employee's gross income for income tax purposes and from an employee's wages for payroll tax purposes.

Unemployment Benefits

Under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), the first \$2,400 of unemployment benefits an individual receives in 2009 are tax free. This provision applies only to benefits received in 2009; normally, unemployment benefits are taxable.

Upcoming Due Dates

October 15th, September Payroll Taxes Due

If you have any tax questions, please forward them to: tmichie1@rochester.rr.com or Thomas Michielsen, 127 West Ave, Spencerport, NY 14559.

Camp DeMolay Report

A small crew of dedicated workers continues to spend considerable time and effort each week at Camp DeMolay, making repairs as needed and improvements and upkeep as they are able. There always seems to be plenty to do.

W.: Ralph Jurgens, Project Manager, currently heads up a Facility Team, which has repaired plumbing problems, replaced a rotted-out window frame and painted buildings. His right-hand man is R.:W.: Richard Snyder, former Project Manager, who continues to put in one day a week with Ralph toward sprucing up the buildings. R.:W.: Angelo DiCataldo is the General Chairman of the Camp DeMolay Committee. If you have some time and skills, please consider lending a hand

- call the Service Bureau - 671-9730 to learn more.



R.:W.: Richard Snyder beside the new on-demand water heater installed in the bath house at Camp DeMolay.

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Operation "Play Ball!"

By W.: Tom Ward

What started out as a simple request, evolved into a long process, but highly successful campaign - and the Masons are the ones to thank. W.: Tom Ward of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge had received a request from the mother of a Navy Corpsman, on duty with the Marines in Iraq. This same soldier had served the year before in Afghanistan and saw a lot of action.

He asked his mother if she might be able to get some baseball gloves. She approached Tom with the request, as he works for the YMCA. She had already checked with the Red Wings and they had gloves to donate, but they were all Kid-die-sized promotional items. Tom approached the YMCA to see if there were any baseball gloves to be had, but there were none at the time. Then, he thought, perhaps he could send out a plea via email to the Past Masters of his Lodge and within minutes, the responses were coming in! One of the first came from R.:W.: Stephen Whittaker (who is not even a member of Wakan-Hubbard!) who made a personal donation for two new gloves and helped spread the word around, far and wide, as did the Past Masters of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge.

Meanwhile, the soldier who was the original intended recipient, found his schedule and service locations changing (as happens in the military, I'm told) and he went to a Base that was going to be occupied for a short time and they were given orders that nothing could be left behind when they transferred out later. So, he was no longer able to accept the gloves. Meanwhile, the donations started coming in at an unbelievably generous rate! So, Tom was put in touch with another soldier in the Army and he was more than eager to accept the gloves and put them to use.

Finally, months after Operation "Play Ball" began, the day for shopping had arrived. Tom called the wife of the soldier and invited her (also former Army) and their 18-month-old daughter to join him. They were happy to assist and found it to be quite an adventure. Her husband, John, had also requested that, if possible, could we supply soccer balls and basketballs as well because there many times when groups of the soldiers were on a mission and there may not be enough to field a whole baseball team. This way, they could shoot baskets or kick the soccer ball around when there were only a few soldiers left at the base. He also suggested that board games and darts would be helpful to pass the time of day when the weather was so hot that it was uncomfortable being out in the sun for very long. This all made sense.

All in all, nearly \$700 was received from the following contributors:

Monetary donations were made by R.:W.: Stephen Whittaker; Brothers Roger Lynch and Dave Wilkinson (Wakan-Hubbard Lodge) donated \$250; Mt. Morris Lodge donated \$75 and the Purple Club donated \$100. Through Brother Whittaker, the Printing Industries Alliance also donated \$140!

We also received gloves from Cyrene-Monroe Commandery (two new gloves) and Hiram Chapter donated three new gloves (delivered by R.:W.: and Reverend Charles Roberts); R.:W.: Don Brugger donated several "gently used" hardballs and gloves.

Other contributors, who came through the YMCA appeal, were Frank Cania, President of CaniaHR, a human resources firm in Fairport, who donated a new glove and three hardballs, and Fernan Cepro from the YMCA of Greater Rochester's HR division.

A special thanks goes to Bethany Murphy of the West-side YMCA and her Teen Leaders Club. They put together care packages for both soldiers and included foods, toiletries and other items, along with a couple of ball gloves. Unfortunately, it seems that the packages were never delivered, or at least not in time before the soldiers got moved out to new bases. Hopefully, some soldiers did end up receiving and enjoying them.

My deepest gratitude and thanks to all the people and Lodges who responded so generously to this request. It was far more successful than I ever imagined!

The following is a thank you note from the Army soldier who received the equipment. Unfortunately, the photo he referred to was not viewable.

Hi Tom,
I am sorry for the delay, but I wanted to express my sincerest thanks to you and all who contributed to the most generous care packages.

Everything arrived so quickly! Fastest mail I have gotten here. The headlamps were snatched immediately and put to use. Very convenient in these middle-of-nowhere places. We lose power frequently. We finally got the dart board set up in our office. It is a great way to solve the world's problems. The softball bat serves equally

for sport, mental therapy (taking out frustrations), and as a thinking stick (also to solve the world's problems).

We just broke out the board games and, pardon the pun, but they could not have come at a better time because we are very bored here these days. I am eager for the weather to cool down so we can enjoy the other equipment more. Mid- to late-September usually brings a break from our triple-digit averages.

Enclosed is an improved copy of my teammates and the care package goodies. I have a small team and we work 24/7 so it is rare to get us all together. It was dusk when the photograph was taken, thus explains the dark, grainy quality. This is the same photo, just edited for brightness.

Since there are just six of us, we intend on sharing some of the surplus items with the Chaplain. He will likely put the extra baseballs, footballs, etc. in a public spot so that folks can use them when they would like. Like I said, my team is small and we have a very disjointed experience with others on our base, so the Chaplain is our best conduit to share such things.

That's all from me for now. Again, thank you for the gifts. They really are a morale booster. Hope to see you this Winter. Cheers,
John Roache



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District Deputy Visit We have not heard from our District Deputy of the 17th District, Kenneth E. Kempka, but still have hopes 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 the meeting we will let you know via the Call Committee.

Elections Remember the Annual Election of Officers on November 25th. We are looking for a few good Woodsmen. If you are interested in helping out by volunteering for an elected or appointed office, please get in touch with the Scribe, Don Bell or the GTC, Cy White. Ted Powley is our present SDGTC and Joe Raubar is the JDGTC.

Upcoming Event The Annual Holiday get-together will be held at Rick's Prime Rib House on Buffalo Road, Friday, December 11th, more information later. This is a change from our usual first Saturday of December date, so please take note. Mark your calendar.

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By Don Brugger We were glad to hear that our JDGTC, Joe Raubar, participated in the MD drive in the Buffalo Area. Good job, Joe. We hope the drive successfully met its objectives.

Degree Time Our first Fall Season meeting will be on October 28th. We will be presenting the Prologue and exemplifying the Royal Court. In order to put forth our best effort on the Degrees for any new members, we ask that all who have participated in past Degrees, be ready to do their parts. If you need parts to study, please let us know.

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We were informed in mid-August that our Grand Master, the Most Worshipful Edward G. Gilbert, would be moving from the hospital in Buffalo to the Unity Living Center in Rochester located at 89 Genesee St. for further rehab on his road to recovery. From all the Concordant Bodies and the Brothers, Sisters and Friends, we wish him the very best and pray that in due time his health be restored and he can enjoy the fruits of Masonry. We have suggested, to the Masters of the District, they assign their Junior Wardens the task of spreading the word to their respective Lodge Brothers to send cards. Hopefully, the volume of cards will flood the room of our Grand Master and give him much inspiration and reading material.

The Dictionary defines the word Disappointment as: "the

feeling of sadness or *displeasure* caused by the non-fulfillment of ones hopes or expectations." Each year the Monroe District conducts a Kickoff Picnic to introduce the new Lodge Officers to the various programs that the District offers to help and assist the Lodges. This 'picnic' is underwritten by the Scottish Rite or the Masonic Service Bureau. In the past, it has been held at the Shrine Center and, before that, at various parks around the area. We had made plans to have it this year at Camp DeMolay in Sodus. We wanted to expose the Lodge leadership to some of the possible benefits in letting them see the 'gem' that we have out there. A lot of work has been done out at the Camp thanks, in part, to R.:W.: Richard Snyder and W.: Ralph Jurgens and many others. It is a facility available to all Youth organizations, Masonic and other groups.

We had high hopes for a great turnout. However, in this busy world that we live in today, by the deadline we only had confirmations from 15 Brothers out of a possible 52. We appreciated the Brothers who called and said that they could not make it. There only were eight who responded they could make it. Oh, well, nothing ventured, nothing gained. At least we tried.

On a more positive note, as we go around to the Official Visits and/or Awards programs of

the Lodges, we will be presenting a special and unique Apron to those Brothers who were raised in 1959. We have received 20 Aprons for these Brothers who have dedicated a half century to the Masonic Order. The first two Aprons were presented to Brothers Richard Snyder and Richard Beyer of Valley-Simes Lodge. These are from our Grand Master as a token of the genuine distinction and affection for the Fifty years of service to the Craft. We will notify the Masters as we travel across the District as to who in your Lodge will be receiving these. If there is a Brother who is not on our list, the Secretary can contact the Grand Secretary's Office to get any additional Aprons. Remember: Only those raised in 1959 qualify for this special distinction.

In October we will be visiting Webster, Fame, Wakan-Hubbard, Valley-Simes and Union Star Lodges for their Official Visits. Also, on October 23rd will be the Grand Lecturer's Convention and I believe there is more elsewhere in this publication about that.

We have sent to the Masters and Secretaries the Selection Packets for the opportunity for those Past Masters who would like to consider replacing your current Grand Lodge Officers on the District level. R.:W.: Donald Tubman is the Chairman of this very important Committee and he has an article in this issue.

In closing, let me quote Humbert Wolfe who said, "Listen! The wind is rising, and the air is wild with leaves, We have had our Summer evenings, now for 'October' eves!"

Keyword - Knowledge

The word **Knowledge**, according to the Encarta Dictionary is a noun, which means the general awareness or possession of information, facts, ideas, truths or principles. I would have to say this is perhaps the most important keyword so far. Masonry teaches us that, as men, we should learn and experience all that we can as we go through life. From **knowledge** comes achievement and accomplishment. From **knowledge** comes wisdom and understanding. With our **knowledge** we teach others. It empowers us to influence the world around us. It is the foundation on which the monument of our lives is built and it is the force which causes that monument to endure long after we have traveled to the undiscovered country. Let your thirst for knowledge never be quenched.



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By V.:W.: Hugh Woodside
Schools of Ritual

V.:W.: Harry DeHollander and I were excited to see more than 90 Brothers attend the August 2009 School of Ritual and Instruction at Wakan-Hubbard Lodge Hall. We had 75 Lodge Officers in attendance - 12 out of thirteen Worshipful Masters, eight Senior Wardens, eight Junior Wardens, six Senior Deacons, five Junior Deacons, seven Senior Masters of Ceremony and five Junior Masters of Ceremony. Great job to all of the Lodges for encouraging your Officers and Brothers to attend!

Following this School of Ritual, the top six Lodges in the race for the School of Ritual Attendance Banner are (in no particular order) as follows: Craftsman Robertson, ERAC, Oatka, Unity, Valley-Simes and Wakan-Hubbard. It is also encouraging to see this strong level of active participation ... it is your experience, provocative questions and willingness to participate that makes these evenings more enjoyable for us. More importantly, the active discussion makes the evening better for everyone and for that we thank you.

Special thanks are also due to the Officers and Brethren of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge for both their Ritual work and hospitality. We ended the evening on time and had Brothers enjoying fellowship with one another until after 10 p.m. Thanks again to Worshipful Master Tom Ward and his Officers for their efforts!

Three Lodges qualified for the additional five bonus points awarded to all Lodges who had the Worshipful Master, Senior Deacon and Junior Master of Ceremony at the August School. Importantly, five more Lodges had two of these three Officers in attendance. Let's get more Lodges to qualify next month! As a reminder to everyone, the

process for determining which Lodges receive bonus points is described again below.

Bonus Points

As described in the September issue of the **Masonic Times**, we are providing a little extra incentive for each Lodge to bring its top seven Officers to each School of Ritual. These are the same top seven Officers required to be in attendance for a Lodge to earn the Howard Potts Award at the Grand Lecturer's Convention, including the (1) Worshipful Master; (2) Senior Warden; (3) Junior Warden; (4) Senior Deacon; (5) Junior Deacon; (6) Senior Master of Ceremony and (7) Junior Master of Ceremony.

We will put the titles of the top seven Officers on seven separate pieces of paper, and place them into the Master's hat. At the beginning of each School of Ritual, we will draw three pieces of paper from the hat. If your Lodge has ALL THREE of the selected Officers in attendance, your Lodge will earn five bonus points in the competition for the School of Ritual Banner. For example, at the beginning of the next school, let's imagine that the three slips of paper drawn from the hat read "Junior Warden," "Senior Deacon," and "Junior Master of Ceremony." If all three of those Officers from your Lodge are in attendance that night, your Lodge will earn five bonus points toward the Attendance Banner. All three Officers will need to be in attendance at the close of the evening in order to qualify. The only way to guarantee that you get the bonus points is to have your top seven Officers show up for each School of Ritual.

Grand Steward Monroe



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It seems like it was only yesterday when we went dark for the Summer. Welcome back to the Quarries to all and I hope you had a very enjoyable Summer. We, as a team, have started our Official Visits for the year, the first being at Fairport-Flower City Lodge then on to Craftsman Robertson Lodge. As always, we have been well received by the Brothers of the Lodges.

Mark your calendars, The *Masonic Development Course* will be held at Eunice Lodge, 3141 State Street in Caledonia.

The dates are: November 11th, December 9th and January 13th, 2010. As in the recent past, this will be a joint District venture. The cost for the School is \$20 per person, which includes refreshments.

Recently raised Master Masons, and those not so recent, should avail themselves of this training. If interested please email me at:

gtodd1@rochester.rr.com or call me at 585-964-5809 (h), 585-298-0852 (c) or 585-654-0253 (w).

Or contact Michael Nohle at: mikenohle@aol.com, 585-216-9016. It would be a wonderful thing if the Monroe District out-numbered Wayne and Livingston Districts in attendance.

If we as District Officers can be of assistance to you or your Lodge feel free to contact one of us. We would be willing to attend any of your programs, Lodge meetings, etc. We only ask not to wait until the last minute. Our calendars are fairly full and we would need time to schedule your requests. Until next month, see you in the Quarries.

Grand Steward Monroe

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By now, the Official Visits of our District Deputy have begun. In case I miss visiting your Lodge, please know it's because I have started a new job and have had to travel extensively for the start-up training and indoctrination with my new company. I regret not being at each and every visit - mostly because I take great pleasure in meeting and visiting with each and every one of you. It has been and is a privilege to get to know my Brothers around the District.

As you begin to confer the Degrees, please let me remind you of the paramount importance of proper and thorough mentoring of our new Brothers. I ask you to take care in helping to bring our Brothers to Light. It is our first and best chance to turn out inspired Brothers. As a mentor, please be sure you stay at the side of new Brothers long past their Raising and encourage them to be active and involved in their Lodges. Done well, mentoring goes a long way to strengthen our Craft. Make a difference - mentor a new Brother!

Challenges for the True Mason (author unknown)

I will do more than belong - I will participate.
I will do more than care - I will help.
I will do more than believe - I will practice.
I will do more than be fair - I will be kind.
I will do more than forgive - I will forget.
I will do more than dream - I will work.
I will do more than teach - I will inspire.
I will do more than earn - I will enrich.
I will do more than give - I will serve.
I will do more than live - I will grow.
I will do more than be friendly - I will be a friend.
I will do more than be a citizen - I will be a patriot.

Monroe District NY Masonic Safety Identification Program

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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 and fill the gaps where children and senior (seasoned) citizens can be identified so the authorities can rescue them if they stray.

We look to each of you for help with this Program in 2009 in the traditional way of identifying opportunities for us with children as well. 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.

New Appointees?

We have a changeover of several Lodge leaders and look forward to new members on the CHIPS team. (I HAVE NOT HEARD FROM SOME OF THE NEW MASTERS, so please contact us about who will co-ordinate for your Lodge.)

Under Ken Nelson's supervision, another very successful ID event was held at the Henrietta Bike Rodeo. He was assisted by Brothers Mike Ferguson, Jeff Quartley, Ray Crandall and a friend to the Masons, Karen Briggs. They were able to process 26 youths.

We have additional events planned for several fire departments and safety fairs in October.

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 departments and with all the Lodges and Concordant Bodies. If any of you are members of FASNY, talk it up within your departments.

We would like to reach those children who are not involved in school CHIPS Programs, and are 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 your community is hosting a festival where you feel we could implement a CHIPS event, feel free to contact us. We request that each Lodge Coordinator help us staff these events, which 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 <http://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:

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You can also contact Don Tubman at 889-4725.



By Erik Loepker, Chairman

Welcome, welcome, welcome once again to one of the best games in the Fraternity! Yes, I speak of the Traveling Gavel.

What? You've not heard it was a game? Well, to be sure, it isn't normally billed as such. Typically, we try to view our activities with a degree of solemnity. But, I've never yet been involved with a transaction of the Gavel (whether retrieving it or hosting it for another) that hasn't been met with smiles to one degree or another.

Sure, it's a great way to meet Brothers you may never knew you had - I'm sure many of you are tired of reading about me banging on about that! But, it can almost be viewed as a contest or game, too.

Consider this ... with the Gavel comes a log that details which Lodges have possessed it and for how long. I've been toying with the idea of unofficially adding to that by posting in the **Masonic Times** a running update of who has it for that year. Perhaps this will help stir those with a competitive spirit to action.

In the meantime, I am hesitant to say that the Gavel is still in possession of Northfield Lodge who has held it since we went dark at the end of June.

Why am I hesitant? My hesitation is due to the fact that I think that by the time this article

is published, our fine Brothers from Fort, er... Oatka Lodge, may have made a triumphant raid on Northfield, and have carried off the Gavel. W.: William Flesher more or less outlined their strategy to us at the School of Ritual.

But, maybe we'll all be surprised and YOUR Lodge will carry the day, eh?

The Gavel (as of the writing of this article) currently resides at Northfield Lodge, Pittsford.

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"A new year just begun," so sang John Lennon in a song he wrote many years ago. We have already had an Official Visit and a successful Brother Bring-a-Friend Night and the interviewing of many new applicants for Lodge membership.

We also presented 50-year Pins, Certificates and Aprons to a select group of our Brothers at the Official Visit. However, due to the timing of the **Masonic Times** submissions, no pictures were yet available. They will be displayed next month.

The first meeting of October, on the 12th, we will have our first Lodge Roll Call Night, wherein the several rolls of Master Masons will be called. Will you be among them? The atten-

dance of Past Masters is also requested, as they will be suitably honored. That night will also be a night of balloting on new Candidates' Petitions.

Further, October will witness the Initiation of our Fall class on October 26th and your attendance is strongly requested.

But wait, there's more! Friday, October 23rd, we are once again hosting the Grand Lecturer's Convention, preceded by our incomparable steak dinner. Reservations are to be made through our AGLs, who will also inform you of the cost.

Sickness and Distress
R.: W.: Dwight Turner had an emergency gall bladder operation at Strong and should be on the mend as this article is being read. Also, W.: Herb Hirsh has been diagnosed with cancer and could use your good wishes and heartfelt prayers. See you in Lodge!

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Good News
Brothers Frank Habitzreuther, Ron Morthorst and George Foehner worked the Masonic Booth at the Erie County Fair and raised \$300 for our coffers. Special thanks to George's family for helping out and Frank for finding the opportunity for us.

Sad News
It is my sad duty to announce the passing of Brother Robert K. Palmer. He laid down the Working Tools of life on June 20th.

Recent Events
The following Brothers received Service Awards, held over from last Spring, at our September meeting:

- 10 yr - Thomas Michael
 - 20 yr - Terrance Hatch, Joseph Bourcy, John Burchill
 - 30 yr - Robert Aldrich
 - 40 yr - Lawrence Millerd, Dennison Ripley, Allen Hopkins
 - 50 yr - Ronald Kennedy
 - 55 yr - Richard Bull, Harold Schofield
 - 60 yr - Leslie Moore Jr.
 - 65 yr - Harold Wagner
- Our **Mason of the Year** is W.: John Williams

Upcoming Events
October 12th, 7:30 p.m. will be our second meeting. The DDGM Official Visit will be on Monday, October 26th, at 7:30 p.m. There will be a dinner. If you are unable to attend our October 12th meeting to sign up, contact George Foehner (586-5255) to make a reservation. Let's show our support for the District Deputy Grand Master.

The Grand Lecturer's Convention will be on Friday, October 23rd at Fairport Masonic Hall at 7:30 p.m. I would be honored if we had a large number of Brothers there to show our support and pride. There will be a dinner prior, for those interested. Details coming.

Degree time is almost upon us so those who have parts should start thinking about brushing up. Our practice for the 1st Degree will be on Monday, November 2nd at 7 p.m. and the Degree will be held on November 9th at 7:30 p.m., with a dinner at 6:30 p.m.

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By Erik Loepker, Sr Warden
A short article today, Brothers, and I truly apologize for the limited material; I will do much better for November, don't worry.

- First, we welcome everybody back to Northfield. We have a fantastic lineup in the Lodge:
- Master **James Deasey, III**
 - Sr. Warden **Erik Loepker**
 - Jr. Warden **Michael Zona**
 - Secretary **John Dudley**
 - Treasurer **David Adams**
 - Sr. Deacon **Jason Zona**
 - Jr. Deacon **Mark Edgecomb**
 - Tiler **Glenn Hedges**
 - Marshal **Stephen Michener**
 - Sr. MC **Josh Loepker**
 - Jr. MC **Daniel Medwin**
 - Stewards **Todd Enright**
Jonathan Buck

Northfield started off with a bang with its End-of-Summer Picnic in Powder Mills Park, which, although we had some brief inclement weather, was a great way for some Brothers to re-connect after several months apart. In addition, W.: James Deasey, III, and Brothers Erik Loepker and Stephen Michener attended the first School of Ritual at Penfield Lodge Hall; a great refresher course that got us back into Ritual, and reconnected us with Brothers from other Lodges.

On the home front, W.: David Adams assembled a committee, under W.: James Deasey, III's direction, consisting of Brothers Erik Loepker, Josh Loepker, Todd Enright and Mark Edgecomb, with the purpose of retaining and increasing membership. The committee holds its meetings at 6:30 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month (just before the Regular Communication).

At the last Officers' Meeting, it was agreed that the Lodge should purchase Dan Brown's latest novel, *The Lost Symbol*. Brother Erik Loepker will read the book and present an oral report based upon it to the Brothers in one of the October Communications.

Also, we'd like to reinforce that pertinent information can be found on our website at www.northfieldLodge.org and by calling our Lodge phone at 586-2976.

Finally, we express our sincere thanks and admiration to R.: W.: Raymond Beardsley. See you at Lodge!

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Summer has come to an end and another Masonic year is here. I am looking forward to seeing you all in Lodge, for dinner and some fellowship after meetings! Our Officer Line has been hard at work this Summer...

- Putting on a splendid Trustee Picnic - thank you for the efforts of JW Mike Knolla, SW Patrick Mulrooney, SD John Hellaby, JD Chad Crawford, Stewards Jim MacDuff and Ryan Reese and Brothers Rich Greenaway, Bruce Bernhard, and Matthew Muller.

- Attending to our monthly dinners at Ronald McDonald House - thank you to Brothers Rich Greenaway, Sean McKenna, Matthew Muller, Christian Reninger, Don Osbourne and Phil Hurwitz. Outstanding work, gentlemen. It is much appreciated by those working and utilizing the services of Ronald McDonald House.

- Overseeing and co-ordinating an Eagle Scout Program by Mathew Palocy of East Rochester. Thank you to Tim McNelly for volunteering your time and guidance to this project, which ultimately produced Child ID videos for almost 100 children.

- Continued planning for the coming year and boning up on our Ritual. As this is a cornerstone of all that we stand for as Masons, we are placing a huge emphasis on doing our best - each and every opportunity we have to perform the Ritual.

Upcoming Meetings

October 12th - Yusuf Hemmed Ngaina, from Tanzania, will be the speaker for the evening. Yusuf, one of the world's foremost mountain guides, has led over 100 successful excursions to the summit of Mt. Kilimanjaro. He will be speaking to us about the experiences of leading and the men in Tanzania today. He will speak to the differences and similarities of our lives and how the bridge between our two worlds may be crossed. Yusuf is a wonderful and engaging speaker and this program should not be missed.

October 26th - Awards night - Past Grand Master Neal Bidnick will join us as our keynote speaker for the evening, while our award presentees will be honored with a wonderful program by our JW Mike Knolla. This will be an Open Meeting. Please plan to join us and honor these deserving recipients.

November 9th - Official Visit - R.:W.: Derek VanHouten, District Deputy Grand Mas-

ter, will be in attendance and it is anticipated he will be accompanied by Grand Stewards, R.:W.: Michael Nohle and R.:W.: George Todd.

Initiatives for the Year

We will be making every effort to secure the Traveling Gavel this year. Northfield has it - let's go get it!! We will also be working to make our presence felt in the Schools of Ritual and throughout the District. We are already reaching out to Brothers from Lodges across the District in hopes of visiting, holding joint events and working together to further the interests of Masonry in our area.

It is my goal to secure the Howard Potts Award for our Lodge this year at the Grand Lecturer's Convention (October 23rd). There is no reason we should miss out on this opportunity - our Officer Line is prepped and ready to attend; we are looking for a strong presence from our Brotherhood that evening. My goal is 40 Brothers - will you answer the call?

Masonic Birthdays

Congratulations to the following Brothers for their recent and upcoming Anniversaries.

September: Jay Riggs, 9th, 50 years; Joseph Jung Jr., 10th, 44 years; on the 18th, Donald Stevens, 43 years, and Frank Panczysyn Jr., 2 years.

October: Thomas McNight, 7th, 62 years; Harvey Holderle, 9th, 63 years; Donald Westgate, 15th, 41 years; Alvin Boss, 25th, 64 years; Norman Sandle, 28th, 57 years; Albert Traugott, 29th, 63 years; and John Wiseman, 31st, 52 years.

We wish you all the best on this day and throughout the next year!

My Brothers, the program is in place. We are set to have a great year. I am looking forward to seeing you all. Finally, if any of you know of a Brother in need of assistance with life, a ride to Lodge, etc., please forward that information to me ASAP. I can be reached at:

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The first regular meeting of our season was held on September 1st. It was hard to realize that the Summer was over; however, we did get a lot accomplished at this lengthy Communication.

The Budget Committee, chaired by our Senior Warden, Mike Postilli, presented a 2009-2010 Operating and a Capital Budget that was approved by the members present. The

Lodge's operating costs continue to rise; our estimated expenses and the concurrent fundraising projections are reflected in that budget.

Several amendments to our By-Laws, related to Dues and financial/administrative management of our Lodge, were read and discussed. Balloting, as summoned, is scheduled for our September 15th Communication.

R.:W.: Donald Wright and Brothers Richard Caupp and Gary Richardson were appointed to a Standing Audit Committee.

Two Applications for Membership were presented and Interview Committees assigned.

There was considerable discussion about creating a Membership Outreach Program, designed to routinely contact members who, for whatever reason (e.g., illness, interest, age, disability), are not active and to also ensure that our newly Raised Brothers are instructed in the Ritual and given an opportunity to participate in the functioning of our Lodge. I am very pleased that R.:W.: Donald Wright has agreed to head up this task and present a workable plan to our membership. I expect that all of our Brothers will support him and make this important activity a success.

Brother Bill Hunn (Trustee) presented an assessment of improvements to our Lodge and facilities and noted that the roof repair was scheduled for mid-September. The Trustees will prioritize and obtain cost estimates for those improvement items.

As it is prudent for any organization to look ahead, I have appointed a Five-Year Planning Committee, whose objective is to develop a vision of the ensuing years and to propose a cogent plan for implementation.

A Clio resource library is established and Brother Gary Richardson is accepting Masonic literature donations (email: grichardson@rochester.rr.com). Resource material donated to date will be listed on our website.

October Events

Clio Lodge will be operating a Meatball Sub Concession Booth at the Hilton Apple Fest October 3rd and 4th.

On the 6th, the Entered Apprentice Degree will be conferred at the Masonic Hall.

Spaghetti Dinners will be held on the 14th and 28th.

A Reminder that the Grand Lecturer's Convention will be held on October 23rd in Fairport. Let's strive to qualify for the Howard Potts Award.

Sickness and Distress

Our wishes for a speedy recovery to W.: Jeff Ross, W.: Gerald Jones and Brother Alvin Metcalf.

Our sympathies are with W.: Robert Stevens and his family on the passing of his beloved wife, Louise.

Noteworthy

Many thanks to our Brothers who have generously supported the roof repair project. We have achieved two-thirds of our stated goal, as of early September.

Relevant and timely Lodge Communication to our Brothers is a serious and demanding task. The lion's share of information today is delivered via email and that will be our primary means of detailing information. It is important that each Brother help us maintain an accurate email database and notify our Secretary of any changes. ✖

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Well, the year has started with a bang. Our first Communication was September 9th and the Lodge Room was filled with many familiar faces. It was really a good feeling to see the Brothers again after the all-too-short Summer.

The monthly spaghetti dinners are set to occur on the fourth Saturday of the month from 5-7 p.m. I will report on all of these events next month.

The September 9th Communication was also filled with our thoughts and prayers for W.: John Pascucci and Brother Rob

Wise as they deal with their life's trials and tribulations. Much reminiscing of old times spent with these two valued Brothers was had after the meeting.

We were all excited to have three applications for new Candidates to progress through the Degrees. Our 1st Degree will be October 14th with the 1st Degree Historical Lecture to take place October 28th.

Then the 2nd Degree will be November 11th at which time the AGLs will be visiting to observe our proficiency in the Ritual.

The 3rd Degree will take place on December 9th and the Lodge Walk-About will be after the first of the year.

Trestleboard Change

Since the next regular Communication in December would be on the 23rd, I have decided to cancel that Communication so the Brothers can spend valuable time with the families during the Holiday Season.

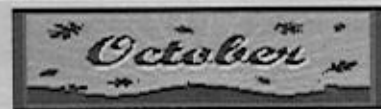
Let me close this article with a poem I found on the internet, in the hope of giving W.: Brother John and Brother Rob some comfort and peace.

AND GOD WILL DO THE REST, Anonymous

I asked the Lord to bless you
As I prayed for you today
To guide you and protect you
As you go along your way....
His love is always with you
His promises are true,
And when we give Him all our cares
You know He will see us through.
So when the road you're traveling on
Seems difficult at best
Just remember I'm here praying
And God will do the rest. ✖

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Recipients of Valley-Simes Lodge Service Awards shown with District Deputy Grand Master, R.: W.: Derek VanHouten (left), and Grand Steward, R.: W.: George Todd (right), were: R.: W.: Richard Snyder, R.: W.: Herbert Spencer, Brother Richard Beyer and R.: W.: David Clarke.

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**Sickness and Distress**  
 Our Brothers Jose Diaz, William Scheer and Paul Gleason are having health issues. Please keep these Brothers in your thoughts and prayers.

In September, two Brothers were called home by the Great Architect of the Universe. Their labors were finished and now they rest in peace. W.: George Bundoc passed away on August 29th, shortly after his 75th birthday. A Masonic Memorial Service, led by W.: Nelson Bertch, was held and there were many Brothers in attendance from Valley-Simes Lodge, as well as Brothers from other Lodges and Concordant Bodies. Brother Howard Minsky was called home on August 10, 2008. He lived in Palm Beach, Florida, for many years and we really never saw him. He was Raised in Valley Lodge in 1939 and I believe he traveled a lot. If you go on the Internet and Google Howard Minsky, you can find all sorts of information on this Brother. You will be surprised at what he accomplished.

September was a full and busy month. On the 1st we were to have an Officers' meeting, but it was canceled due to the Service for George Bundoc.

On the 8th we celebrated our Annual Awards Night with a catered dinner prepared by our Chef "Charles."

**Upcoming Events**  
 Tuesday, October 13th, is the District Deputy's Official Visit to our Lodge.

On Sunday, October 25th, we are having a boat ride. We are going to paddle wheel on the "Harbor Town Belle" and see the Fall Foliage in the Genesee



R.: W.: Derek VanHouten assists Richard Beyer with his 50-Year Apron, a gift to Class of 1959 Brothers from Most Worshipful Edward Gilbert.

River Gorge. More information will be coming.

Tuesday, October 27th, we will hold a Brother-Bring-A-Friend Night.

As I mentioned in the last issue, R.: W.: G. Thomas Grape is your new Secretary. All correspondence and monies are to go through him. That includes announcements and paying Dues. The Official Lodge address is the one in our logo. Presently, Brother Tom and I are busy exchanging lots of information that I had as your previous Secretary.

**Membership Dues**  
 As of this writing, there are 13 Brothers who have not paid their 2009 Dues and two who have not paid for 2008. My Brothers, kindly check your Dues card and see if you are remiss in your payment. As you know, in another few months the 2010 Dues invoices will be going out.

**October Birthdays**  
 Congratulations to the following Brothers who are celebrating their birthday during the month of October. You may wish to call, visit or email to wish them a very Happy Birthday. Maybe even have lunch with one or more.

Glenn Stahl (1st); Richard Snyder (5th); Donald Petersen (6th); Wesley Warren (9th); Myron Biggar (10th); Anthony Simonetti (11th); William Scheer (16th); Gerald Stahl (17th); Erich Postler (20th); Harvey Stiles (22nd); Ron Rogers (23rd); Norris Shapiro (26th); and Howard Belt (27th).

**Masonic Anniversaries**  
 Only two Brothers were Raised in October. We congratulate



R.: W.: Richard Snyder receives his 50-Year Certificate from R.: W.: Derek VanHouten. (He also received an Apron.) Brother Robert Bishop on being a member for the last 33 years and Brother Carl M. Robinson for 18 years.

Reservations for dinner are requested. Remember, "A reservation made, is a reservation paid." Your contact for reservations is Mike Hueston, 509-0606; email at:

mph0523@frontiernet.net. You may also contact Herb Spencer at 334-7493, or at hspence1@rochester.rr.com.

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**Picnic Report**

The starting bell has sounded and we are off and running even before the race officially begins! The Steak 'n Bake was a huge success! I must confess that barely 4 hours before the event was to take place, I wanted to run and hide! The skies had been cloudy and threatening all day. Then, the rain was coming down in buckets at 11 a.m. The park lodge had no indoor cooking facilities or lavatories. It didn't have a large enough capacity for all those planning on attending. There were some young children coming - what would we do to keep them occupied if we were inside? Then the sun started to play peek-a-boo.

Around 2 p.m., the sun came out in full force and dried everything up! Roger Lynch, our Junior Warden, and his wife, Nancy, were already at Powder Mills Park ready to go when my wife, Irene, and I pulled in to start setting up. Then Ron Lalik pulled in with the chicken, steak and clams - right on time. Brother Dave Wilkinson showed up with the clam steamer and took over the clam cooking! W.: Angelo DiCataldo arrived and took charge of cooking the

chicken and steaks. Both of these were jobs that I fully expected I would have to do on my own.

It was then that I realized that I could not have done this without the help of my Brothers and our respective spouses. I was in total awe of the teamwork that all pulled together to make this a successful event. We had over 50 people in attendance and would've had more had it not been for the darn flu! What a wonderful way to start our Masonic Year! Everyone seemed to have a grand time and the weather cooperated! THANK YOU to everyone who attended or helped out.

**School of Ritual**

The next event was hosting the infamous School of Ritual. I was very proud of the newly elected and appointed Officers of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge that night. We escaped with only a few flesh wounds and what a thrill it was to see over 90 Brethren assembled in one place for this Masonic event. It did my heart good to see so many in the Lodge room that evening.

**Highway Cleanup**

The Highway cleanup took place on September 12th with an entourage of Brothers and some prospective new Candidates. This is our participation in the Highway Beautification Project along a 3-mile stretch of Whitney Road. Thank you to all who pitched in and helped.

**History Lesson**

At our September 14th meeting, we hosted our guest speaker Prof. Kathleen Kutolowski and her husband. Her presentation was entitled: "The Strange Case of the Missing Masons: A Generation of Lost Freemasonic History on the Western NY

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Frontier." This talk explored the amazing growth of Freemasonry in this eight-county region just prior to the Morgan episode and the historical amnesia that largely erased Freemasonry from pioneer and later histories of the region. Her dad, Guy H. Smith, was a member of the Batavia Lodge and many Genesee area Masons were in-

strumental in helping Kathy in her earlier works and research of Freemasonry. There was a lot of interest in this program and the dinner was well attended by over 30 people.

Official Visit

Looking ahead to October, we will be hosting R.:W.: Derek VanHouten at his Official Visit on the 12th. Awards will be presented that evening as well, including 50-year recipients who will receive a special gift

from our Grand Master. A dinner will precede the Official Visit and you are encouraged to make your reservation by calling our Junior Warden, Roger Lynch, or email him at: tc45410@aol.com.

The Degree of Fellowcraft will be conferred on our new Brothers at our meeting on October 26th.

Bring Spouse, Friend

When a dinner and program is planned for our meeting

night, I encourage you to bring your spouse, a friend or neighbor! I promise the programs will be different and interesting ... from an actor re-creating the character of A.G. Beirce, a caustic and cynical writer from the 1800s who died a mysterious death, to a talk about the Underground Railroad in this area, Medical Ethics, Mental Calisthenics, a report on my upcoming trip to a village of Mayan Indians in Guatemala that I

have been working with the past 10 years, to a topic very near and dear to our hearts – the Ronald McDonald House – just before the kickoff for this year's Have-a-Heart Campaign. Dinners will be at 6:30 p.m. and the speakers will start at 7 p.m. At 8 p.m., the guests and spouses will be free to leave if they wish and the Officers, members and visiting Brethren will adjourn to the Lodge Room to conduct our business meeting. x

to have them ready for a 1st Degree in November.

The meeting was also preparation for our Official Visit by R.:W.: Derek E. VanHouten, District Deputy Grand Master, who arrived on the 15th and delivered a message from the Grand Master, M.:W.: Edward G. Gilbert. He was accompanied by one of our Grand Stewards, R.:W.: George L. Todd, who spoke on the educational oppor-

tunities he and R.:W.: Michael L. Nohle, Grand Steward, provide in and around the Monroe District.

Birthday Greetings

We take delight in wishing a happy birthday to these Brothers celebrating this month:

Joseph LaRue (2nd); Raymond Ross (6th); Gabriel Milonni (11th); Leroy Forbes (13th); Joseph Roe (15th); Richard Smith (18th); Phillip Cissell (19th);

and Kevin Hook (21st).

October Events

Remember we will honor our long-time members with Service Awards on October 6th. We will have a Swiss Steak Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Ladies and friends are invited to join us for Dinner and the Presentations. (This will replace the September Ladies event that was canceled.) Reservations are required and a reservation made requires payment. The Calling Committee should be contacting you, or call me at the office, 671-9730.

Fall Foliage Cruise

Valley-Simes Lodge is hosting a Cruise on the Harbor Town Belle on Sunday, October 25th, at 2:00 p.m. R.:W.: Richard Snyder, who made the arrangements, has invited us (and all Masons, spouses and friends) to join them for the afternoon. The ship embarks and debarks from the Pier in Charlotte.

We hope to see some fantastic Fall colors as we paddle-wheel up the Genesee River and back to Charlotte. Tickets are \$12 for adults; \$11 for seniors; and \$6 for children ten and under. Send in your checks or hand me your cash BEFORE October 21st. I have to tell Brother Sny-

der our count the next day. By the way, the ship is enclosed, so don't let the fear of inclement weather deter you from an enjoyable afternoon.

Sickness and Distress

I haven't heard anything new since last month, although I didn't report on Sue Kendig, widow of our late Secretary, W.: Tom Kendig. She has been dealing with some health issues. We hope and offer prayers that these matters are cleared up and she has a speedy recovery from all afflictions.

Brother Gib Blew is gaining some weight and strength back as he continues to improve. W.: Bill Hook continues his rehabilitation at the Jewish Home. I believe cards and calls would be welcome by both of these Brothers, and Sue, too.

Dues

We still have about a dozen Brothers who have not paid their Dues, including a couple who are two years in arrears and subject to being dropped for non-payment of Dues. Please check your Dues card and make sure you are up-to-date. The new cards will probably be sent out next month.

See you in Lodge. x

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By R.:W.: Skip Waterstreet

We had a wonderful turnout for our Annual Picnic in August, and the weather cooperated very nicely. After the Summer we had, I wasn't too sure we would escape the rain.

Barbara Goodrich made arrangements to bring Brother Bob Ogden out for the afternoon, and it was great to see him again. He seemed to enjoy himself, renewing acquaintances with Brothers, and their wives, whom he hadn't seen in years.

Salads were made by Brother Richard Smith, our Junior Warden, and Linda McBride. They were delicious! I picked up the meat and rest of the supplies. My thanks to W.: Joe Steffen and a visitor from Unity Lodge, Brother Byron Barnes, who helped build the fire and cook the meats.

I mentioned in a Lodge meeting my displeasure with the fact that family groups settled near our pavilion with their assortment of children and boom-boxes. I don't know that we can control that in a public park, but there is consideration being given to changing the location.

One possible venue would be Camp DeMolay. My question to you, how many would find this an unacceptable choice? We don't want to discourage anyone from coming and realize that it is a considerable distance from many homes. Car pools could be arranged, with people meeting at the Shrine Center and driving out from there. It would take about 45 minutes to cover the route, which could be along the lake and quite a scenic ride. Please voice your opinion; I won't hold it against you.

One final note on the picnic. Last month I was able to stick in a brief boxed item indicating I found a pair of sunglasses on a table when we were cleaning up. No one claimed them, so they are still in my possession. Please let me know if they are yours and you would like them returned. I wear prescription lenses, so they are no value to me and I would hate to just throw them out. Thanks.

Our pre-Labor Day meeting was well attended, with the Officers doing a commendable job in their new Stations and Places. Three Petitions were read and turned over to the Interview Committee for action. We hope



Sitting around outside the pavilion for some pre-meal socializing at the Lodge picnic were Judy VanHouten, Alida Doud, Barbara Goodrich, Rita Gardner, Bob Ogden, Paul Robertson, Doris Robertson and Roy Guess.



Bev VanHuben, Ken Mertz and Dave King played a few games of three-handed gin rummy. Guess there were no other card enthusiasts present.



Dick Smith and Derek VanHouten must have been discussing some serious issues when I interrupted for this photo.



Royden Guess checks with Barbara Mertz on the status of her beverage glass and retrieved her another bottle...of water.

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As always, time is flying in LeRoy this Fall. It seems hard to find time for all the things we need to accomplish ... for work, the kids, our families and our communities. Make sure to save some time to better yourself at Lodge.

By order of the Master, we are following a new schedule this season:

Our first meeting of the month is our scheduled business meeting. If you want to present a proposal to Olive Branch, this is the time.

The second Communication is centered on education. Both the new members and old-timers can use some practice. We will try to avoid any business and try to be a bit more casual.

Jim Nielsen has been working on implementing our Masonic ID Program in LeRoy. We start by

doing the residents of LeRoy Manor. He will need help and will be calling for volunteers.

October Birthdays

There are two birthdays in October: R.:W.: Norman Austin on October 9th; on the 26th is Brother Dave Beswick who resides in Florida. I'm hoping you two don't have too much fun.

See you at Lodge. x

Oakland Lodge

No. 379, F. & A.M.

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I was sitting down to type this article to meet the deadline when I happened to glance at my planner and notice the date. It was on the eve of one of the greatest national tragedies to occur on American soil. It seems hard to believe that it has been eight years since the attacks of September 11th. How has eight years passed by so quickly? If anybody can answer that question, please let me know.



Damascus News

Damascus Shrine Center No. 2

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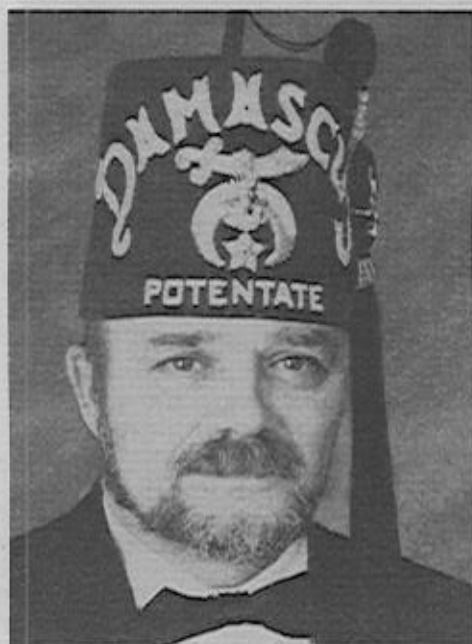
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BRUCE CHILTON POTENTATE

As I write this article, the busy season for Shrine and Masonry is upon us. For me, it's great to be back at Lodge and working in the Quarries.

I have been involved in the 1st Degree in a mentoring position and am a little surprised at how much I enjoy it. The Ritual has a way of making all the little things that are annoyances seem to be much smaller than previously thought. I love the structure of the Lodge. The different Chairs have their own set of responsibilities and the Officers know their jobs and "crossing lanes" never seems to be an issue or a problem. All branches of the Fraternity would do well to look at this model and run their organizations within that same structure. It has been a successful model for centuries and continues to be so.

On September 12th, we attended the Livonia Parade and made a good showing with the Color Guard, the Wheelers, the Mini-Cars and other single individuals in attendance. Five members of the Lodge in Livonia followed us in line. There were more Nobles present than I honestly expected and the parade was nice due to the fact it was all downhill and very short.

I have to give a special *Thanks* to the Perry Mini-Car Unit, as they were in full force at every Call-Out Parade this year and they are the Unit the public watches

for the most. All the other Units round us out and make us the spectacular parade group, but the Mini-Cars always steal the show. We need to remember these Nobles for the positive exposure we get from their dedication.

Noble Bring-a-Friend October 17th

This publication should hit the stands just before our Noble Bring-a-Friend Program that Saturday morning, and I encourage you to join us for what will surely be a great event. We are featuring our guest speaker, Marty Sheedy, who will share his own story of having been a Shriner's Hospital Patient. When you talk to Nobles and people who have been patients, it is hard to understand why everyone involved doesn't put out a little extra effort to help support the membership efforts of the Temple.

We need prospective Candidates, whether they are Masons or non-Masons, to come and hear the story of the good works being done at our hospitals. If the prospect doesn't see himself as being a part of this Fraternity, he will at least leave with (and possibly share) a positive image of the International Shrine. Please do your part and bring a guest to this program. You will be glad you did.

Fall Ceremonial November 14th

As follow up to the Noble Bring-a-Friend Program will be the Fall Ceremonial that will be presented on November 14th. This class has been named the Joe Minas Class in respect to the many years of dedicated service that Joe has given to Damascus. It also will be the infamous Harvest Dinner and we invite you to join along with all the new Nobles that will be a part of the Joe Minas Class along with their spouses. We have already stated that we will turn no one away and if we have to again rent a huge tent to hold everyone, then we are prepared to take that action.

In the next issue I have asked the Chief Rabban to write an article regarding plans and changes that will be made during the 2010 Damascus year. Tom has been working hard, along with the Divan, to make sure you all have a successful year and I want him to share some of the excitement so you can start to prepare.

Until we meet in the quarries, ride safe and God bless our kids.

Harvest Dinner



November 14, 2009

At Damascus Shrine Center

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SHRINEABILIA

By Derek VanHouten

Going back to around 1932 when King Tut's Tomb was opened and a man by the name of Carter exclaimed, "I see wondrous things," sort of explains what I felt after I received a call from Ill. Lyle Maldoon. He called and said he had a bag of old photos that Noble Dan Miller took back in the 70s and 80s of the leadership and activities of the Shrine. Would I be interested in them, because they were gathering dust. I said "yes;" I'm not one for turning away any "historical" material. I took a nice ride out Lake Road to Sodus Point to his house and took possession of a large bag of "photos."

When I got home and settled into my Summer office (part of the garage), I looked to see what was in the bag. One thing that Dan Miller did not do was to show these pictures around. There must have been a couple of hundred images of Past Potentates; Sy Kopen, Cy Kloner, Erwin Newell, Guy Parry, Charlie Frear, Robert L. Anderson and Richard Henderson along with Noble Tom Paglia (Colonel of the Units). Also included were Shrine activities, parades, clubs and units - an amazing and wondrous collection.

My plan is to return these photos to the above-mentioned Past Potentates and also display some of them in the Hall.

A tip of the Fez to Lyle in alerting me to this treasure trove.

Down Memory Lane on Cruz Nights



All the Parking Lots Were Full!

It's a trip down memory lane for many; sharing a hobby for others. Friday night Cruz Nights this Summer were successful and, when the weather cooperated, became a most popular event for an evening. On this particular evening, a record-breaking number of cars and audience showed up for great food, beverage and reminiscing.



"Rosco" (Oscar Wilson) not clowning around as he makes preparations.

MEMBERSHIP

By Gary Burke

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

Fall Noble Bring-a-Friend Day

If you have not approached that Brother in your Lodge who has yet to join the Shrine, now is the time. The Fall Noble Bring-a-Friend Day is scheduled for Saturday, October 17th. Registration will begin at 10 a.m. with the program kicking off at 10:30 a.m. A lunch (\$5/person) will be served at the conclusion of the program.

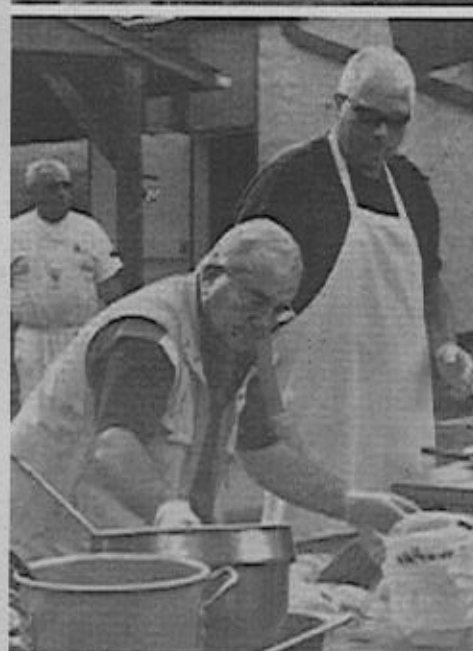
Call or send in their names to the Recorder's Office NOW, so an invitation can be sent and we can plan accordingly.

We have as our featured speaker, Marty Sheedy, a former hospital patient, Mason and Shriner. You don't want to miss this one!

As in the past, this program will be geared to the non-Mason as well. So look over your contact list and get those names to us. Remember... if not you, then who? We need you to do your part in making this year the year Damascus has positive membership growth. Will you be a part of the excitement?

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. Watch for further details.



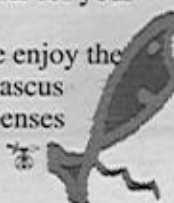
Everyone had a job assignment... what a Team! Terry Wihlen and Norris Shapiro on the grill; Mike Papapanu manning the burners; Sy Kopen running food and supplies from the kitchen; William Gross selling tickets and Annette Shapiro manning 50/50 Raffle. A full team was also in the kitchen preparing the fish fry dinners.



Friday Night Fish Fry Continues

Summer Cruz Nights are over, but the popularity of Fish Frys and the miscellaneous menu items cause us to continue through October. Gather your friends and come to the Damascus Shrine Center for your Friday "Let's Eat Out" Night!

Serving food and beverages from 5 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Come enjoy the camaraderie and very tasty food while supporting the Damascus Shrine Center. All proceeds go to help offset operating expenses of the Shrine Center.



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- 3rd - The Ball in the Fall; Geneva
- 5th - Divan Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 7th - Shrine Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 10th - Sportsman Raffle at Shrine Center
- 17th - Noble Bring-a-Friend
- 19th - Auburn Shrine Club
- 20th - Canandaigua Shrine Club
- 22nd - Perry Shrine Club Dinner Meeting, 6 p.m., Hole-in-the-Wall
- 24th - Wheelers Haunted Hayride at the Shrine Center

NOVEMBER

- 2nd - Divan Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 4th - Shrine Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 14th - Ceremonial and Harvest Dinner
- 16th - Auburn Shrine Club
- 18th - Perry Shrine Club Dinner Meeting, 6 p.m., Lumberyard
- 30th - Divan Meeting, 7 p.m.

DECEMBER

- 2nd - Shrine Meeting, 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 ... It's the best Website in Shrinedom!!!

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October 7th - Chicken Parmesan

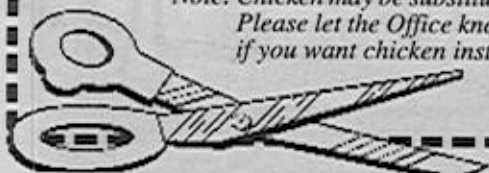
November 4th - BBQ Chicken & Ribs

December 2nd - Sliced Sirloin & Gravy

January 6th - Steak Dinner (\$1 with 2010 Dues Card; all others - \$10 per person)

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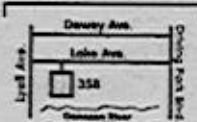
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Masonic Motorcycle Convention Deadwood, SD



Photo & Article submitted by Sean Noonan

Attending the International Masonic Motorcycle Club Convention held in Deadwood, SD (l-r) V.:W.: Harry DeHollander; M.:W.: Virgil D. Andersen, Grand Master of South Dakota, A.F.& A.M.; W.: Sean Noonan and W.: Mike Rapson. This picture was taken at the Banquet Dinner, where we were fortunate to sit with Grand Master Virgil Andersen and his Line Officers for 2009. He is a fascinating person and very down-to-earth.

On a personal note ... this was my third trip to the Black Hills of SD. Each trip, I visited and attended a Lodge meeting in Sturgis, SD (Olive Branch Lodge) and Deadwood Lodge in Deadwood, SD.

DIRECTORS STAFF

By Vance Collom, Jr.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, October 28th, 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 is at 6 p.m. RSVP to Vance Collom by Monday, October 26th.

Please note my new email address: vcollom1@rochester.rr.com or phone 217-9817.

Until next time, God Bless!

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Auburn Shriners line up for the Annual Steak Roast. Everyone enjoyed the food and beverage.

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October's dinner spot
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some quick retorts

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and that's not just some idle gab!

If you didn't recognize Sesame Street,
you're not a new Grandpa, like me.

Upcoming Events

October 19th and November 16th - Meetings coming this Fall. Fall is here, but it doesn't mean you can't have a spring in your step. Hope to see you at Shrine Club! I'll be the guy with "spit up" on his clean shirt!!!





Damascus Legion of Honor

Dinner Meeting

Wednesday, October 14th

at Damascus Shrine Center
979 Bay Road, Webster

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

Dinner - 6:00 p.m.

Sliced Roast Beef & Gravy * Mashed Potatoes
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Kenny G Benefit Concert... *Rhythm on the Vine*

By Douglas E. Maxwell
President and CEO
Shriners Hospitals for Children
Pediatric Specialty Care

An Item of "Good News"

On September 12th, world-renowned Entertainer and Saxophonist, "Kenny G" performed "In Concert" in the Wine Country of Southern California, for the benefit of our beloved Philanthropy.

The concert was called "Rhythm on the Vine," and took place at the South Coast Winery, in Temecula, California.

Approximately 1,600 new friends of Shriners Hospitals for Children, paid between \$125 and \$1,000 per person, to hear the famous "Easy Listening" jazz saxophonist entertain for 2-1/2 hours.

Kenny G was enjoying the show so much himself he extended the show for an extra hour over the planned length. He even invited his best friend "Walter Afanasieff," who is a world-famous songwriter and composer, to do a couple of songs on the stage with him.

The evening performance began with a presentation of our film ... *The Magic of Giving*, hosted by Magician Lance Burton. This video has been extended to seven minutes in length to show a few of our great "Shrine Children Success Stories." A "Live Auction" immediately followed this film showing, *Who Are We Shriners and Our Hospitals?*

This video was so well received by the audience that the auction brought Shriners Hospitals an additional \$50,000, over and above the "Show Proceeds."

The Auction ...

It soon became a part of the evening's



entertainment, when the winery owner "Jim Carter," whose father is also a Shriner, and Kenny G both came onto the stage and began offering some of their own "personal" items for auction - such as "package stays at the winery" and two of Kenny G's own saxophones. As Kenny G put it, "these Shriners and their Hospitals have won me over. I will auction off a couple of my own saxophones that I will use in the show tonight ... and then come and play it for the winning couples who also buy one of the resort packages" ... because tonight we are all here ... to help the kids" ...

How great that was to hear and see, but for me, the best part of the evening was when Walter, this world-famous songwriter from Los Angeles, came up to me after the show, and said, "You Shriners and your Hospitals are great. How does one become part of this great organization." That made the evening perfect.

At the end of the evening, Kenny G told us, "If he can help the Shriners and their wonderful Hospitals" in any additional way, he would be more than pleased to do so."

On behalf of Shriners everywhere, Thank You, Kenny G. □

Masonic Organizations Partner to Give Children with Cleft Lip and Palate a Healthy Smile

Shriners Hospitals for Children is partnering with the Humanitarian Foundation of the Grottoes of North America, a Masonic-affiliated Fraternal organization, to provide its cleft lip and palate patients with financial assistance for routine dental care.

"This partnership will help us ensure that dental needs of our patients are taken care of between their visits to our hospitals," said Douglas E. Maxwell, President and CEO of Shriners Hospitals for Children. "We are very appreciative of the Grottoes' assistance."

Of the more than 15,000 members of the Grottoes of North America, approximately 70 percent are also members of Shriners International. The Grottoes of North America began its dental program in 1970. The goal is to provide funds needed to improve the dental health of special needs children, who are often excluded from normal childhood dental care. Any child under age 18 with cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy, mental retardation or organ transplant is eligible for their services.

Shriners Hospitals for Children added cleft lip and palate as an official care discipline in 2005. Treating cleft lip and palate often requires several types of surgeries, including lip and palate repair, nasal reconstruction, facial work and dental procedures. Many of these surgeries are not possible unless the patient has healthy gums and teeth. Since cleft lip and palate patients are at a higher risk of dental diseases, routine visits with a pediatric dentist greatly maximizes their treatment. This partnership will help ensure that patients receive the financial assistance, when needed, to make these routine visits possible.

Staff at a number of Shriners Hospitals for Children have referred special needs patients to the Grottoes of North America for years. In November 2007, the first formal agreement between the two organizations was created. Shriners Hospitals for Children-Chicago was selected as the pilot facility and will continue to serve as a resource as more Shriners Hospitals for Children become involved in the Grottoes' dental program during the next year. Initial hospitals include Portland, Houston, Los Angeles, Cincinnati and Springfield.

For program details, contact Jane Valentine, Corporate Director of Nursing at Shriners Hospitals for Children, at (813) 281-7171, jvalentine@shrinenet.org or www.shrinershospitals.org.



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Calendar Winners for August

| DAY | NO. | WINNER |
|------|-----|-------------------|
| 8/1 | 400 | Faye Pritchard |
| 8/2 | 300 | Jeffery Wasserman |
| 8/3 | 042 | James Learn |
| 8/4 | 084 | John Drooby |
| 8/5 | 084 | John Drooby |
| 8/6 | 863 | Shrine Center |
| 8/7 | 084 | John Drooby |
| 8/8 | 939 | Shrine Center |
| 8/9 | 201 | James Bell |
| 8/10 | 704 | Martha Fisher |
| 8/11 | 232 | Shrine Center |
| 8/12 | 643 | Abby Burns |
| 8/13 | 191 | Marilee Stollery |
| 8/14 | 437 | James Slocum |
| 8/15 | 592 | Deb Stanton |
| 8/16 | 110 | Denise Andrukat |
| 8/17 | 411 | Becky Bell |
| 8/18 | 764 | Roland St. Louis |
| 8/19 | 650 | Rick Fleming |
| 8/20 | 894 | Alicia Anderson |
| 8/21 | 093 | Shrine Center |
| 8/22 | 419 | Shrine Center |
| 8/23 | 428 | Cheryl Saroodis |
| 8/24 | 688 | Carol LaMont |
| 8/25 | 576 | Shrine Center |
| 8/26 | 824 | Fred Shelley |
| 8/27 | 640 | Shrine Center |
| 8/28 | 909 | Sean Stringer |
| 8/29 | 675 | Steve Lantry |
| 8/30 | 372 | Lucille Cooley |
| 8/31 | 783 | Jeffrey Carter |

October Birthdays

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|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| James E. Aylesworth | Roswell C. Fingar | Thomas W. Maddicks | Robert J. Scott |
| Wayne A. Beckwith | John G. Frazier | Albert C. Mallaber | Allen Seastrom |
| Michael S. Bellingham | McKinley H. Gath | Raymond R. Martin | Norris P. Shapiro |
| Jack A. Bloom | Richard A. Gilmore | Joseph R. McAfee | Ralph E. Smith |
| Scott A. Blystone | John W. Girard | Joseph Minas | Richard Snyder |
| Eugene G. Brendel | Kenneth R. Gordon | Todd W. Moore | Richard J. |
| Darryl J. Briggs | Robert C. Green | Matthew Muller | Spangenberg |
| Mark E. Brooks | Niketas J. Haldoupis | Garth A. Murray | Michael E. Spillane |
| Wendell H. Burtner | Charles O. Hancock | Philip Neivert | Glenn A. Stahl |
| Melvin L. Clark | Robert E. Hayes | James E. Nersinger | Todd M. Statt |
| James M. Cocca | George T. Heisel | James W. Nohle | Samuel Stetter |
| Vance R. Collom | Wilbur Hinkston | Richard M. Nuhn | Ted Sykes |
| William D. Cram | Gerald J. Hussong | David W. Parish | David C. Sylvester |
| John B. Dobson | Craig Josephson | Lloyd W. Peelle | Michael Taylor |
| Donald A. Dreher | Philip Kaplan | James Pipher | George L. Tegart |
| Kenneth E. Duttlinger | Steve Kopicki | Rene M. Reynolds | |
| Anthony L. Felice | Donald R. Kunego | Raymond F. Ross | |
| Matthew J. Fero | R. Bruce LeClaire | William J. Scheer | |

I thank all the Officers and Members of Oakland Lodge who attended our first Communication of the year. It always seems the first Tuesday of September sneaks up on us fast and it was even faster this year, since Labor Day was late. I was pleasantly surprised with the crispness of the Opening and Closing Ritual that was performed after the Summer recess. My plan was to use our first Communication to rehearse the Opening and Closing Ritual a couple times, but each Officer must have dusted off their brains before we gathered.

We have two scheduled Communications for the month of October. The first will be October 6th; the second will be October 20th. Both Communications will be used to discuss any old business from last year and new plans Oakland Lodge has for the ensuing year.

Let's Get the Potts

The Grand Lecturer's Convention this year will be hosted by Constellation Lodge in Perry on Wednesday, October 14th. The dinner will be served at 6 p.m., with the Convention commencing at 7 p.m. I think this would be a great year for Oakland Lodge to capture the Howard Potts Award since we have hit a dry spell the last couple of years. The Convention is open to any Master Mason, but in or-

der to qualify for the Howard Potts Award, we will need our Master, Senior and Junior Wardens, Senior and Junior Deacons and both Masters of Ceremony to be in attendance. Fellow Officers, I place the challenge to you to attend so Oakland Lodge can obtain this honor.

Brotherhood Fund

The Brotherhood Fund is in initial stages and it's never too early to start donating. The best place to make your donation is at our Monthly Communications. For those Brothers who are unable to make our regular Communications, please forward your donations to our Chairman, Kenneth E. Smith, 137 Lake Street, LeRoy, NY 14482. If you are making your donations via mail, please include the area of designation in the memo portion of your check.

I hope this article finds all my fellow Brothers enjoying a happy and healthy start to the Fall Season. Let us never forget those who have and are still fighting to keep this great Nation of ours free and safe. It seems that the challenges for those who are in our military and those chosen to run our country gets greater each day.

May the blessings of heaven fall upon all my Brothers and their families, wherever they may be throughout the world. "

dates, will demonstrate to our newest members how wonderful this Fraternity they're joining really is. If you have any questions, please let me know. I am involved in the program as a Mentor and I assure you it works!

I remind all Brothers in the District that our October Livingston District Association meeting will be on Monday the 26th at 7:30 p.m. The meeting is being held at Union Lodge. 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 you plan to attend to learn what the other Lodges in our District are doing for the upcoming year. "

Nunda Station Lodge

No. 682
1st & 3rd Tuesdays
7:30 p.m.



Master
W.: William R. Wright, Jr.
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Secretary
R.: W.: Gerald J. Hussong
476-2739

Welcome back to Lodge, Brothers. I hope you had a nice Summer - it certainly was a wet one, but it always could be worse! A big "Thanks" to the Brothers from Nunda Station Lodge who worked the booth at the Hemlock Fair. Thank you also to the Brothers from other Livingston County Lodges who helped out.

The Livingston County Association Picnic, at Ricky Green Park in Conesus, was attended by many Nunda Station Lodge members and their families. Despite the heavy thunderstorms, we all stayed dry. We would like to have more participants next year.

Nunda Fun Days was, once again, a success and thank you to all the Brothers who worked. I, unfortunately, was not able to help out because I was hospitalized with a stomach ailment at the time.

The Geneseo VFW hosted a picnic at the Canandaigua Veterans Hospital on August 20th. The American Legion and the Livingston County Masonic Association were also involved. It was great to see our Brothers join with other groups to help the veterans.

My message to you this year is, **Get Involved**. We now have four Candidates going through the Degree process - **Get Involved** - by helping these Candidates achieve the positions we now hold.

The Nunda Cemetery Group is looking for help to raise fallen stones and straighten others - **Get Involved** - by working.

Attendance at the bi-monthly Lodge meetings could be greatly improved - **Get Involved** - by attending. Our October meetings will be on the 6th and 20th of the month - **Get Involved**. "

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My thanks to all the Officers of the O/S/Y District for attending our annual meeting. Handouts with the dates for Official Visits were given out. The list was sent to all who did not attend. If you see any errors or omissions, please let me know ASAP. Degree work is well underway. Check the O/S/Y website for upcoming dates.

Please support all of our Lodges having special events and Degree work. Remember, the more involvement by Brothers, the more enjoyable for all. Send all special event and Degree work dates to:
webmaster@osydistrict.org.

Garoga-Sincerity Lodge No. 200

1st & 3rd Tuesdays



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Brothers, welcome back everyone as we start our 2009-2010 year. This will be my first communication in the **Masonic Times** as Master. I will start by thanking all the Brothers who elected me Master and I congratulate the following Officers:
Sr. Warden **Ken Gibbs**
Jr. Warden **John Walti**
Treasurer **Dave Bruzee**
Secretary **Clayton Ruggles**
Chaplain **Ernie Day**
Sr. Deacon **William Hargrove**
Jr. Deacon **William Lally, Jr.**
Sr. M of C **Jason Sennett**
Jr. M of C **Ron Galens**
Marshal **Donald Tiffany**
Tiler **William Smith**
Organist **Robert Lash**

As Master, I'm looking forward to serving you to the best of my abilities. With the help of the Past Masters, I'm sure we

Apron Presentation

October is going to be a busy month. The O/S/Y Apron Presentation is October 2nd at the Sons of Italy, 31 Prospect Avenue, Geneva. Please contact either R.: W.: Bob Ruggles or R.: W.: Eldon White for reservations. Plan on attending to show support for those who are being honored. Our guest speaker for the evening is R.: W.: James Sullivan.

On Wednesday, October 7th, our Grand Lecturer's Convention will be at Garoga-Sincerity Lodge in Phelps. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m., with the meeting to follow. Please call R.: W.: Bob Ruggles or R.: W.: Bruce Huie for reservations. We should show harmony in our District by attending this event. Also, let's have all Lodges try to qualify for the Howard Potts Award.

Just a reminder, the Traveling gavel is at Garoga-Sincerity Lodge in Phelps. Their meetings are on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month. The Traveling Trowel is at John Hodge Lodge.

Fall is a beautiful time of year. Let's all enjoy the nice weather while we can.

Be safe and God Bless. "

will have a successful year. We are starting the year off with a 1st Degree on October 6th. Please attend and assist your Lodge with the conferring of this Degree.

My thanks to the following people who planned and organized our first yard sale - Mary and Clayton Ruggles, Sylvia and Ernie Day and John Walti. It was a SUCCESS !!! Thanks for all your hard work.

Official Visit

Our District Deputy Grand Master, R.: W.: Ronald Galens, and his team will have their Official Visit on December 1st at 7:30 p.m. Please mark your calendar. I am looking forward to seeing you there that night to help me greet Ron and R.: W.: William A Valois III.

Birthday Wishes

Belated September birthday greetings to: Carl Carlson (2nd); Dave Bruzee (3rd); George Durkee and Terrance Mays (5th); Peter Cheney (16th); Donald Romeiser (20th); Bernard Dell (23rd); Charles Bird (25th); and Michael Klimeczko (30th).

We send October birthday greetings to Robert Patrick, Jr. (5th) and William Peterson (6th).

Masonic Anniversaries

Brother Jay Ford was Raised on September 12, 1967. Brother Jesse Gillespie was Raised on October 26, 1976. "

Livingston District

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I am amazed that September is over already! At this point the Lodges in the District have had one month under our collective Masonic belts. I know I was very busy and I hope that all is going well with everyone, too.

I am well into the middle of my Official Visits and can honestly say the Lodges are doing great and all the Masters and Brothers should be very excited with the way things are going. One of the side benefits of being the DDGM this year is getting the chance to present Grand Master Edward Gilbert's 50-Year Apron gift to Brothers celebrating this year. It is truly an honor to be able to be a small part in such a great achievement. I am looking forward to presenting the rest of them in the upcoming meetings.

October is going to be even busier than September. We have the Grand Lecturer's Convention for Livingston District on October 13th. I am looking forward to meeting the Grand Lecturer, R.: W.: Charles Toombs again. He always has an interesting "viewpoint" and it is good to get the chance to hear him speak about our Ritual. I extend

a special "Thank you" to the Brothers of Phoenix Lodge as they host the Convention this year in Dansville.

Just two days later, on October 15th, is the Symbolic Lodge Award Program, presented by the Valley of Rochester AASR. This is a wonderful chance to honor a well-deserving Brother. I hope all the Masters were able to submit the name of a member of their Lodge. As a reminder to everyone ... The deadline for the submission was October 1st.

The first School of Ritual in the District will be on October 28th at Mt Morris Lodge. R.: W.: Roy Moses and I want to remind Brothers of all the Lodges to attend. The work of the evening will be a smörgåsbord of topics. We will be discussing Opening & Closing, Balloing, the Memorial Service and Masonic Protocol.

I am also very happy to hear the great news of multiple Petitions coming in from the District! As the Masters are preparing for the Degree Work coming up, remember to use the LSOME Program. The Mentoring Program along with the LSOME chapters and DVD presentations are an absolute "must" for the success of any Degree Program. This set of materials, along with an enthusiastic and knowledgeable Brother acting as the Mentor for the Candi-

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We are well into our Fall activities. Our weather is cooling, the leaves are turning to vibrant autumn colors – it's one of New York's most beautiful seasons.

Last month, Eagle Lodge held a 3rd Degree to Raise Brothers William Gilley, Michael Cline and James Helfer to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. I thank the Shrine Degree Team for a fantastic presentation of the 3rd Degree. Eagle Lodge welcomes these three new Brothers to our Rolls.

This month, Eagle will be presenting a Brother Bring-a-Friend Night on October 13th. A dinner will precede the evening's Open Lodge Program. If you have a Candidate in mind whom you believe will make a good addition to our Fraternity, please get that Candidate's name, address and phone number to our Lodge Secretary.

Upcoming Fundraisers

Our next two fundraisers are Entertainment Books and Citrus Fruit Sale. The books are available right now. Please contact W.: Thomas Shafer (229-4105) for details.

The Citrus Fruit Sales profits provide the bulk of our financial resources and will be kicked off at a Lodge meeting this month. We urgently need all our Lodge Brothers to put in a solid effort to get out and sell fruit. The fruit orders will be due in November and product will be delivered in December. Fresh, ripe, delicious citrus fruit makes a great Holiday gift. Your team sales leader will be in touch with you in October.

Upcoming Events

October

13th - Brother Bring-a-Friend Night; Dinner, 6:30 p.m.; Open Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

15th - Spaghetti Dinner, 5-7 p.m. Help is appreciated

27th - DDGM Official Visit; Dinner, 6:30 p.m.; Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

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November

10th - Lodge, Program - History and Symbolism of Miss Liberty, 7:30 p.m.

19th - Spaghetti Dinner, 5-7 p.m. Help is appreciated

24th - Officers' Meeting, 6:15 p.m.; Lodge, Program TBA, 7:30 p.m.

This Trestleboard is also available on our Eagle Lodge Website, which can be found at: www.eaglelodge619.org. If you do not have access to the "Members Only" side of our site and you are a Member of Eagle Lodge, simply click on the link below the "Members Only" link. An account ID and password will be emailed to you. ✕

Canandaigua Lodge No. 294

1st & 3rd
Mondays

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I hope this note finds you, my Brothers, well. This Summer we worked on consolidating furniture and equipment between our two Lodge Buildings. Many thanks to Deac, Jim, Wayne, Jim, Randy, Dave, Mike and Ed for lots of hands-on help moving furniture and sorting stuff. Also, special thanks to Mike Taylor for the restoration work on our altar, candlesticks and lighting.

As we wrap up Summer activities and begin the Fall Season, we find much to do. Kids are going back to school and farmers are starting the harvest. Our Masonic calendars are full of activity, as well. I ask all who are able to make every effort to actively participate in Lodge. ✕

Late Article

UNITY Lodge No. 479

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

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Sad News

Brothers it is my sad duty to inform you of the death of Brother John Worden who died on August 13th. John was born on February 1, 1921. He was Initiated on September 25, 1967, Passed on February 26, 1968 and Raised on March 11, 1968. Our sympathy and condolences to the family and friends of Brother Worden.

We also send our sympathy and condolences to the family, friends and members of the Eastern Star on the passing of Worthy Sister Ruth Davis, Past Matron of Starlight Chapter.

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It was sad that W.: John Krest had to cancel the trip to the Masonic Care Community September 26th, due to lack of interest. He needed 25-30 and only approximately 15 expressed the desire to go. Maybe a trip in the Spring of 2010 would be more appealing.

On October 12th, the Grand Lecturer's Convention will take place at Drumlin Square Lodge, 1180-161 E. Main St., Palmyra. Starting with the First Session (Q & A) at 4 p.m., break for dinner about 6 p.m. and concluding with the Second Session at 7:30 p.m., which is to cover Balloting. This will be under the direction of V.: W.: William C. Benedict II, AGL. It is requested that all Lodges make their reservations no later than October 1st, for this free dinner with Brother Benedict, (315) 524-3579 or email

wcb159@hotmail.com.

Official Visits

October 5th

will be the first Official Visit in the District at Savannah

Sickness and Distress

Orlo Noxon is suffering with pain and discomfort from his shoulder. He is preparing for shoulder replacement surgery in the near future.

Jay McCullough and his wife, Joane, are both suffering from pneumonia. At last report, Joane has the more serious case.

Our Grand Master, M.: W.: Edward Gilbert is still at the Unity Rehab Center, recovering from complications which developed after his heart surgery earlier this year.

Our best wishes for a speedy recovery and relief from these ailments to all those who are suffering.

School of Ritual

Sixteen Unity Lodge members attended the first School of Ritual of the new year on Monday, August 31st, at Wakan-Hubbard Lodge in Penfield. The Brothers in attendance were: Byron Barnes, Rob Buchanan, Don Darrohn, Dan Donovan, Tyler Ekwell, Don Fox, Bill Fredenburg, Tom Grape, John Jamele, Dave Jones, John Lemke, Craig McCann, Bill Mitchell, Joe Picoli, Cliff Short and Derek Van Houten. Thanks to all these Brothers for attending and giving Unity Lodge a good start for the year.

Upcoming events

Unity Lodge will sponsor a Blood Drive at the Ogden Community Center, 269 Ogden Center Road, Spencerport, on Wed-

Lodge, at 7:30 p.m. As of this writing there has been no notification of a dinner.

October 14th

Wayne Lodge, 7:30 p.m.; a dinner is planned for 6 p.m.

October 19th

Pultneyville Lodge, 8 p.m., unable to state if they are having a dinner.

October 20th

Sodus Lodge, 8 p.m.; dinner planned at 6:45 p.m.

October 21st

Drumlin Square Lodge, with dinner at 6:30 p.m.

October 26th

Clyde Lodge, 7 p.m.; dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Anyone wanting to attend the dinners, where one is indicated, should contact the Master or Secretary of the respective Lodge for reservations.

50-year Apron

It will be my extreme honor to present to Brother Richard E. Clark of Wayne Lodge and to Brother Laverne Covey of Pultneyville Lodge, a 50-year Apron, at the Official Visit to these Lodges. This award, a gift from the Grand Master, M.: W.: Edward G. Gilbert, has been adopted by him for all who have attained 50 years of continuous membership in the Masonic Fraternity as of 2009, they having been raised in 1959.

There will be three more presentations of this beautiful Apron during Official Visits in November. I request all Masters strongly encourage their membership to attend the Official Visit to honor the Brothers being recognized for long service to Masonry. ✕

nesday, October 7th, from 1:00 to 7:00 p.m. Volunteers and donors are needed. Please call me at 637-5643 for information.

Our Lodge will have a Brother Bring-a-Friend night, Monday, October 26th. All Brothers who know someone who might be interested in becoming a Mason should invite them to this event. Dinner for these guests will be free. For more information and reservations, please call our Junior Warden, John Lemke, 317-4791.

"Saved Symbol"

We are hearing a lot about the "The Lost Symbol" these days. Here is a story about saving a symbol, our Square and Compasses emblem. I received a call from our Marshall Dan Donovan about an advertisement in a local advertiser/newspaper in which the Masonic Square and Compasses had been used by a local operative mason to promote his business.

Brother Donovan rightly questioned the legitimacy and propriety of this usage of the basic Masonic symbol. I forwarded this to several of the "wise men" of the District and asked for their opinion on this. All those who responded agreed that it was improper use of our symbol. DDGM, Derek Van Houten, contacted Grand Lodge and was instructed to follow up by contacting the advertiser and the paper prior to taking any further action. At this writing, the issue has not been resolved.

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We're on our way! To better know and understand what is evolving in the Lodge, in the District and in Masonry in general, mark your calendar for the 7th, 21st and 22nd. Be there for the District Deputy's Official Visit. Hear what he has to report and what his concerns are for the Lodge and the District. Get the latest developments from Grand Lodge. R.: W.: William Jones seeks your presence at dinner at 6:30 p.m. and plans an interesting meeting to follow.

This month we are the host for the Master and Wardens Meeting on the 22nd. Two of our Lodge Brothers, Joel Talbo and W.: Andy Richardson, are the Presiding Brothers. We need to support them in this worthwhile endeavor. Plan to make your reservations early. Dinner at 6:45 p.m.; the meeting begins at 7:30 p.m.

In addition, we are hosting the Grand Lecturer's Convention this month on the 12th. The Question and Answer Session begins at 4 p.m.; Dinner at 6:30 p.m.; Ritual Work on Balloting shortly after. V.: W.: William Benedict promises an interesting evening.

Do you know of a Brother who might come to a meeting if he had a ride? Lend a Hand! Do you know someone who would be an asset to Masonry? Offer a Hand! ✕

We thank and commend Brother Donovan for his alertness and his appreciation of the importance and value of defending the Symbols of our Craft.

October Birthdays

Happy Birthday to the following Brothers who have October Birthdays:

Kieth A. Freeman (3rd); John L. Grosshans (4th); Eugene G. Brendel (9th); David Sylvester (10th); Wendel Burtnier (11th); David Vance and Thomas W. Maddicks (14th); Roy E. Vanderlinder, Jr. (15th); James C. Murch and Gordon C. Niedermeier (17th); William F. Rohrbacher (18th); John Esposito (23rd); Herbert W. Bengel, Jr. (24th); Albert Mallaber (25th); Richard J. Spangenberg (26th); William Enssle, Jr. (27th); and Donald F. Pierson (28th).

Masonic Anniversaries

Congratulations to these Brothers who were raised in the month of October:

1946 Raymond F. Unger, Jr.
1956 Richard W. Stowe
1970 Herbert W. Bengel Jr.
1980 Robert J. Borden

If you detect any errors or omissions in the Birthdays or Masonic Anniversaries sections, please let me know and I will make whatever corrections may be called for.

Brothers, if you know of any Brother in sickness or distress, please communicate the information you may have to me. ✕

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York Rite NEWS

Doric Council
No. 19 Cryptic Masons
(Chartered 1861)
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Doric Council No. 19 will Honor
M.: Ill.: Arnold Palmer
Most Illustrious Grand Master
of the Grand Council
of Cryptic Masons
of the State of New York

Saturday, October 24, 2009

RIT Inn & Conference Center
 5257 West Henrietta Road, Rochester

Hospitality Room - 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Cash Bar - 6-7 p.m. Buffet Dinner - 7 p.m.
\$45 per person

Attire: Casual Office Wear
or Halloween Costume

Reservations by October 24th

Any and all Council Members of any Council are strongly encouraged to attend the October 21st meeting of Doric Council. It would be a great sight to see Pittsford Masonic Hall filled to capacity.

The Summer months are slowly winding down, all of the vacations will be over and there should be many in attendance.


To all of our Snowbirds who will be heading South, we all hope you have a pleasant Winter. If the weather gets bad, you can always return North and we will enjoy your company.

We will try to finalize our 150th Anniversary Banquet scheduled for October 2010. Your input is requested. It takes more than one person to make a banquet a huge success. Your Officers would appreciate your ideas.

Hope to see you at the October 21st meeting.

Remember ... we need new members; they make for the continuation of Doric Council.

Hiram Chapter
No. 62



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

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Degrees
 The Chapter will start in October with our first Degree cycle for the year. We will be conferring the Mark Master Mason Degree on Thursday, October 8th. The Past Master and Most Excellent Master Degrees will follow on October 22nd. We will conclude the Degree cycle with

Doric Council Announces the
Official Visit of
V.: J.: Norman A
Assistant Grand Lecturer
Wednesday, November 18th

Dinner - 6:30 p.m.
 Official Visit - 7:30 p.m.

For Information and Reservations, Call Tom Paglia, 227-2046. All Council Members of any Council are fraternally and cordially invited.

the Holy Royal Arch Degree on Thursday, November 12th. We hope that all Masons interested in joining Hiram Chapter have their Petitions on file with our Secretary by the time they read this article.

Royal Arch Banners
 Every Chapter, opened in due form, has banners at the places of the Masters of the Veils and the Royal Arch Captain. At our first meeting in September we discussed the banners and their colors and symbols. Most of the information came from a book on the banners of the twelve tribes of Israel. It is interesting to note that there is no definitive reference on the colors or design of the banners used by the twelve tribes. The Bible gives hints but never specifically states the design of each banner. I suspect that at the time the various books of the Bible were being written that the Hebrews knew what the banners should look like and felt that describ-

ing them was not a necessary part of their writings about God and his people.

It is also interesting to note that, while an American Royal Arch Chapter has four banners, an English Royal Arch Chapter has twelve. The English Chapter has one banner per tribe. Thus they honor all twelve tribes with emphasis on the four principle tribes. The American Chapter only honors the four principle tribes. Oh, if you are not a Royal Arch Mason, you can find out the names of the principle tribes in the Bible. Go look.

Learning
 There is much that can be learned by searching out books on Masonry and its Concordant Bodies, like the York Rite. Did you know that what an American Mason calls the York Rite is called the American Rite by an English Mason? There are many reasons for this. I will explore this in future articles on the Rite. I am currently reading a book about the English city of York and why it plays an important role in Freemasonry. The city of York is mentioned in the Anderson Constitutions, but the accuracy of the information is in question. I hope to find some answers in my reading and will convey some of the information in the future.

Lodge Program
 I would like to emphasize to Lodge Masters that the Chapter does have a program called "Fervency and Zeal" that is designed to be presented as a program about the York Rite and its Degrees. If your Lodge would be interested in this program (it's not long), please contact Com-


panions Charles Roberts or John Zabel to schedule it. The Chapter can be reached by email at secretary@hiram62ram.org or highpriest@hiram62ram.org. Our website is:

www.hiram62ram.org and lists the Chapter program and other interesting information about the York Rite.

The Chapter is looking forward to seeing more Companions at a future meeting. You won't be bored.

Cyrene-Monroe
Commandery No. 12

Chartered 1993
 3rd Monday



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By the time you read this, our first Conclave and the Grand Commandery Session would have passed with a new Grand Commander at the helm. I, personally (and in speaking for Cyrene-Monroe Commandery No. 12), thank Eminent Sir Knight and Past Grand Commander, David Lathers, for a wonderful Templar year. His leadership saw tremendous gains in membership, focus on our beloved Ritual and great fellowship - cutting the rug at his "Sock-Hop." David and Denise, thank you so very much for your service, dedication and love of our Order. You made us very proud!

We also congratulate Most Illustrious Arnold Palmer, Grand Master of Cryptic Masons of the State of New York, upon his recent Installation. With pride, the Knights of Cyrene-Monroe Commandery look forward to help out in any way to Most Illustrious Palmer. We will begin by serving as Honor Guard at his Reception. Let's give him an Honor Guard that he will well remember.

Sir Knights, we need as many as possible to serve Most Illustrious Palmer at his Reception by participation in his Honor Guard. I will be looking to recruit as many as possible for the exciting event. I will also welcome any Sir Knight from sister Commanderies, as well.

Upcoming Events
 On October 19th, the meeting will consist of a Table Commandery, dedicated to the Arrest of our Ancient Brethren when King Philip the Fair of France began the terror on Friday, October 13, 706.

The plan is to make this event as Medieval as possible. The

banquet hall (at the Pittsford Masonic Hall) will be set up in a style of the times: with the only lighting via candlelight; with cathedral chanter music in the background. The grub for the evening is medieval in nature as well - Chicken drumsticks, ham (carved at the table), a variety of cheeses, rice with gravy, peas, squash and fresh fruit for dessert.

Social gathering will begin around 6:15 p.m.; Dinner will be served around 7 p.m. Beverages will consist of mead, wine, beer and non-alcoholic drinks. Some of our Sir Knights will be dressed in Knightly attire, representative of the Templars of old. All this for the sum of \$13 - a sum to remind us of the Friday the 13th when our Brethren were arrested. Reservations are a must. Please contact our Captain General, Sir Knight Bill Flesher, at 278-7389 or his e-mail at: phdoc007@yahoo.com.

October 24th is the Reception of our very own Most Illustrious Arnold Palmer. His Reception will be held at the RIT Inn and Convention Center, 5257 West Henrietta Road in Henrietta. For dinner reservations and further information please contact Ill.: Tom Paglia at 227-2046.

On November 7th, the Western Region Seminar and School of Instruction will be held in Attica Masonic Hall at 39 Main Street. We would like to see all the Council Officers and Wardens attend this event. Registration begins at 8 a.m. Lunch is usually provided for a nominal charge and we should be finished by 1 p.m. More information will be coming.

November 14th is Zone 11's Annual Fall Pilgrimage to be held at DeMolay Commandery, 34 Maple Street, Hornell. We will open Registration at 8 a.m. and begin the Orders promptly at 9 a.m. As always, Cyrene-Monroe prides itself on exemplifying the Order of Malta. There are many Parts to fill for this Order (many are non-speaking), and we look to the Sir Knights of our Commandery to fill those parts. Please speak to Sir Knight Don Brugger, Deputy Zone Commander, to participate in this most beautiful Order.

On November 16th, our monthly Conclave will open in Full Form and in full Templar uniform. The current plan will be to conduct our normal business then conclude with a talk on some aspect of the history of the Templars.

(Editor's note: There was not enough space in this issue to publish additional information taken from an article on Templar Officers. Visit this website: www.templarhistory.com for Officers' information.

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Scottish Rite NEWS

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

In October and November we will be holding five Valley of Rochester "signature" events – on Thursday, October 15th, our 24th Annual Symbolic Lodge Awards program; Northern Masonic Jurisdiction "Scottish Rite Day" in Buffalo on Saturday, November 14th; our Veteran's Recognition Night on Thursday, November 19th; and two "Explore the Rite" nights: one on Friday, October 9th, at Livonia Lodge, as an outreach for our Brothers in Livingston and surrounding counties, and one on Saturday, November 21st, at the Shrine Center.

Symbolic Lodge Awards

The Symbolic Lodge Awards program provides the Worshipful Master of each Lodge in the surrounding six-county area an opportunity to name and recognize an outstanding contributor to his Lodge's operation in a public forum. Each Master is allowed one nomination of his choosing per year.

This outstanding program has garnered the interest and participation from our Grand Line Officers and Active members of Supreme Council. I am pleased to announce that Ill. Peter J. Samiec, 33rd, Deputy for New York, your District Deputy Grand Masters, together with other Grand Line Officers in attendance, will make the presentations to the honorees. R.: W.: and Ill.: W. Bruce Renner, 33rd, Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York, F&AM, representing our Grand Master, will be speaking at the event.

Please make every effort to come and join the celebration in honor of our Brothers' work in the quarries. An attractive Certificate of Appreciation and an invitation to join the AASR. – Valley of Rochester, at no cost for the first year, will be presented to each Symbolic Lodge Award recipient.

"Explore the Rite" Nights

This Fall we will be holding two "Explore the Rite" (or Brother Bring-a-Brother) nights, where we will introduce the Scottish Rite and the Valley of Rochester to prospective members (and their ladies). The first *Explore the Rite* night will be held at Livonia Lodge, for the convenience of our Brothers in Livingston and surrounding counties, on Friday, October 9th. The second will be held on Friday, November 20th, at the Shrine Center. Social, 5:30 p.m.; Dinner, 6:30 p.m.; Program, 7:30 p.m. Dinner reservations

are required. The price for the dinner is \$12 per person.

Dinner will be free for prospective members and their ladies. For reservations, please call or email the Valley Office by noon: on Monday, October 5th, for the meeting at Livonia; by noon on Monday, November 16th, for the meeting at the Shrine Center.

NMJ "Scottish Rite" Day

Ill.: John Wm. McNaughton, 33rd, Sovereign Grand Commander, has proclaimed November 14, 2009 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 in Cheektowaga). 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 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, 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 car pool to Buffalo. **Lunch will be free of charge for all Valley of Rochester members.** The deadline for lunch and car-pool reservations is noon on Monday, November 9th.

Veterans Recognition Night and Day of Adar Celebration

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 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 toward a common goal. Dinner that evening will feature Phyllis' soon-to-be famous "Wurst" plate. Social, 5:30 p.m.; Dinner, 6:30 p.m.; Program, 7:30 p.m. Dinner res-

ervations are required. The price for the dinner is \$15 per person. Dinner will be free for our members on Active Military Duty. Please call or email the Valley Office by noon on Monday, November 16th.

Supreme Council Meeting

The 197th Annual Meeting of the Supreme Council of Sovereign Grand Inspectors General of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America was held this year in Boston. Five Honorary Members of Supreme Council from the Valley of Rochester and their ladies attended: Illustrious Brothers Charles Hancock, Michael Morris, John Orr, Stephen Whittaker and John Zabel.

The Valley of Rochester received some wonderful news at the meeting:

1. It was announced that Illustrious Brother Stephen R. Whittaker, 33rd, was elected as an Active Member of Supreme Council (see article on page 1). Brother Whittaker is only the fourth member in the Valley of Rochester's 142-year history to be elected as an Active Member! As you all know, Brother Whittaker has devoted a major portion of his time and energy to the Scottish Rite and Valley of Rochester. Please join me in congratulating him as he assumes his new position.

2. Given Illustrious Brother Whittaker's election, Illustrious Brother Charles O. Hancock, 33rd, has been appointed (pro tem) to be the Deputy's Representative to the Valley of Rochester. Brother Hancock will be formally installed by the Deputy for New York at a future date.

3. During the New York State dinner on Tuesday evening, it was announced that THREE Sublime Princes from the Valley of Rochester have been elected to receive the 33rd at the 198th Annual Meeting in Philadelphia in 2010. They are:

Charles R. Frear, 32nd MSA;
Glenn A. Stahl, 32nd MSA;
L. Harris Fitch, 32nd MSA.

Congratulations, my Brothers! This year, there were a total of 11 Sublime Princes from New York State elected to receive the 33rd in 2010. In addition, Brother Joseph Bourcy, 32nd DSA, who was elected to receive the 33rd this year and had a schedule conflict, will be receiving his 33rd next year as well. So in Philadelphia, we will have four members from the Valley of Rochester receiving their 33rd! Congratulations, again, to all and on behalf of the entire membership, thank you for your contributions and all you do for the Valley of Rochester!

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by requested date

Valley of Rochester's 2010 33rd Recipients in Boston



Charles R. Frear, 32nd MSA

Charles Frear has been a Scottish Rite Mason for 26 years and a Freemason for 46 years. In the Valley of Rochester, he served as the Chairman of Trustees from 1986-2006, and was awarded the Meritorious Service Award in 1996. He has also been quite active in the Shine, where he has served as Commander of the Legion of Honor, Potentate, Treasurer and Recorder.

Charles was President and Co-Owner of Frear Chevrolet from 1953-1981. He served in three branches of the United States Military – Marine Corps, 1949; Navy, 1951; Air Force, 1953; and is a Korean War Veteran, 1951-52.

He and his wife, Beryl, are lifelong residents of Greece. They are parents of three children – two daughters: Lorie Frear, who lives in Honeoye, and Ellen Heusner, of Buffalo; son, Ron, lives in Greece.



Glenn A. Stahl, 32nd MSA

Glenn Stahl has been a Scottish Rite Mason for 35 years and a Freemason for 36 years. He has served our Valley as a Trustee from 1987 to present, Chairman of Facilities Planning, 2001-2003, and was awarded the Meritorious Service Award in 2003. Glenn has also been active in the Damascus Shrine, where he has served as Treasurer, Chairman of the Finance Committee, Circus Stand Chairman and Trustee.

He and his wife Carol have been married for over 34 years. Their two sons, Todd and Scott, live in the greater Rochester area. He is an Executive Vice President and Treasurer (co-owner) of Rochester Lumber Company.

Harris Fitch has been a Scottish Rite Mason for 42 years and a Freemason for 45 years. In the Valley of Corning, he served as Thrice Potent Master in 1976-77 and Commander-in-Chief in 1991-93 and 2001-03, and received the Meritorious Service Award in 1994.



L. Harris Fitch, 32nd MSA

Harris recently retired as General Manager of the Allegany County Transit bus operation, and continues to drive on a part-time basis. His main hobby is Barbershop music. He belongs to two choruses, the "Enchanted Mountain Chorus" in Olean and the "Mountain Laurel Harmonizers" in Bradford, Pennsylvania, as well as singing bass in a barbershop quartet called "Penny Arcade."

He and his wife Sara celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on September 13th, and are residents of Friendship. They have three children – eldest son Larry, and his wife, Deb, of Pittsburgh; Jeff, and his wife, Cathy, and grandson, Alex, of Carrollton, Virginia, and their daughter Julie, and husband, Ed, and their children, Eddie and Sara, of Columbus, Ohio.



Joseph Bourcy, 32nd DSA

Joe has been a Scottish Rite Mason for 20 years and a Freemason for 20 years as well. In the Valley of Rochester, he served as Thrice Potent Master, is currently serving as First Lieutenant Commander and Chairman of the Membership Development and Retention Committee, and is a recipient of the Ill.: John B. Mullen, 33rd, Dedicated Service Award.

Joe is also a member of the Damascus Shrine, where he was appointed to the Divan in 1993, and served as Potentate in 1998.

He is a native of the Rochester area, growing up in Penfield and moving to Henrietta after military service. He worked at Eastman Kodak for 29 years as an electrician and electrical/instrumentation inspector. He attended the Rochester Institute of Technology, studying Electrical Technology/Business, and is presently working for a local electrical contractor.

He and his wife Lisa have three children - Julie, Sarah and Colin - and reside in Fairport.

**Summer Outing
Dinner Cruise aboard the
Canandaigua Lady
August 16**

At this year's Summer Outing on August 6th, our members, ladies and guests were treated to a three-hour cruise and dinner aboard the *Canandaigua Lady* on scenic Canandaigua Lake. Approximately 60 Brothers, ladies and guests participated in the dinner cruise, both of which were delightful. In addition to the good food, fellowship and scenery, a highlight of the evening was the presentation of the 2009 Valley of Rochester's Ill. John B Mullen, 33°, Dedicated Service Awards, which may be conferred on members of the Rite in this Valley who have attained the 32° and who by dedicated service over an extended period of time are deemed worthy of such recognition. The 2009 Dedicated Service Award recipients are: John Faro, 32° DSA; Thomas Goodrich, 32° DSA; Patrick Mulrooney, 32° DSA; and Donald Tubman, 32° DSA. Congratulations my Brothers! Your dedication and enthusiasm for Masonry and the Scottish Rite are inspirational to all of us. ❧

Photos right and below depict the food, fun and fellowship enjoyed by members of the Valley of Rochester, and their families, at the 4th Annual Camp Morris Clambake and Steak Roast. More than 120 people attended the July picnic and had a great day, despite some very heavy rain showers. The large tent rented for the occasion proved to be an event-saving decision. The Ole' Tool Shed saw its share of activity and after a couple of trips, the weather didn't seem to be a factor that affected the participants.



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2009-2010 Officers**

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**Valley of Rochester
2009 Fall Program**

All events at Shrine Center unless otherwise noted.

October 9th - Public Degree / BBB Evening
at Livonia Lodge Hall
Social Hour and Dinner - Reservations Required

October 15th - Symbolic Lodge Awards Night
Hors d'oeuvres w/ Pizza & Wings after program -
Reservations Required

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

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

November 21st - Public Degree / BBB Evening
Social Hour and Dinner - Reservations Required

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

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October 10th - Monarch's Dinner, Ricks Prime Rib House, with ladies, \$25.00 includes wine, tax and tip.

October 21st - Grotto Meeting, Awards Night, Past Monarchs Night, Nominations, Dinner with Ladies W/ RESERVATION.

Secretary's Column

By Ken Hutchinson, PM

Again this month, it becomes my sad duty to announce the passing of one of our own. Prophet Charles H. Webb, Sr., of Port Charlotte, FL, died on May 28th. He was a member of Oatka Lodge and joined our Grotto on October 21, 1964. He was to receive his 45-year Service Pin on October 21st, at the Awards Ceremony.

At our October 21st Grotto meeting, we will recognize Charles Waterstreet, Executive

Director of the Masonic Service Bureau. Also to be recognized will be our Past Monarchs, as well as presenting Service Pins to Prophets with many years of membership in Lalla Rookh Grotto:

40 years - Ronald W. Carron, PM, and John S. Archi-bald

25 years - Robert VanLare

15 years - Ken Hutchinson, PM; James J. Powell and Charles R. White

10 years - Vance R. Collom, Jr., Donald E. Freeman, Gregory W. Ludwig, Robert W. Sweeney and Ronald L. Weber.

The evening will be preceded by a dinner with their Ladies included as our guests. For reservations, phone Bernard Lazerson (271-7446) by October 13th

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Lalla Rookh Grotto hosted the Empire State Grotto Association at the RIT Inn and Conference Center in Henrietta, September

17th-19th. I, personally, thank Ken and Elaine Milner, our event Chairman, the Color Guard and all who helped out in any way to make the event the success that it was.

Our guests included Grand Monarch Clarence E. Shawver and his Lady Barbara; Deputy Grand Monarch Shuards Sutherland and his Lady Susan; Grand Chief Justice Aquinas Evans; many of the Grand Line Officers; and Past Grand Monarchs, including 1974 PGM Michael Wahl.

There were Grottoes represented from across New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Canada. We had fine entertainment and a very active Hospitality Room throughout the Convention.

On Saturday, we installed the 2009-2010 President, John Scott, of Kaa Rheu Vahn Grotto, Albany. Also, after the banquet, donations were presented to the Make-a-Wish Foundation and Mercy Flight Foundation.

Again, Edna and I thank all who helped make the 83rd E.S.G.A. Convention the great success that it was.

Legion of Honor

By Brian Bills, Commander

The Grotto Legion of Honor met on September 21st at the Grotto. We enjoyed some sandwiches, salads and each other's fellowship. After dinner, we held a brief meeting to get us all

up to speed after the "Dog Days of Summer."

We had discussion about inviting the Legion of Honor Widows to our open gatherings. It was decided that we would invite them to the Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinners, and the Summer Picnic. It was further agreed that the Legion would pick up the expense for all Legion of Honor Widows. Ken Hutchinson and Ron Morthorst will be updating the active list so we don't miss anyone. If you are a Widow of a Legion of Honor member, please contact Ken Hutchinson and make sure your name is on the list.

The next meeting will be a family meeting with your significant other. We will meet at Peaches Cafe located at 1028 Ridge Road in Webster. They have an exciting menu from which to choose and they just may have their meeting room finished by then.

The meeting will be Monday, October 19th, at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will consist only of announcements of upcoming events. Remember, this will be a night for the ladies as well.

It is with sadness that the commander, Brian Bills, announced that he will not be running for the Commander position this November. He says 5 years in a row is enough for now.

Upcoming Events

November 16 - a joint harvest with the Masonic War Veterans

at the Fairport-Flower City Lodge Hall. Ladies and widows are invited.

December 19 - a joint Christmas party with the Masonic War Veterans at the Fairport-Flower City Lodge Hall. Ladies and widows are invited.

Attend Grotto Meetings

Monday, October 5th
Board of Governors Meeting - 7 p.m.
Shrine Center

Saturday, October 10th
Monarch's Dinner
Rick's Prime Rib

Monday, October 19th
Legion of Honor Meeting
5:30 p.m.
Peaches Cafe

Wednesday, October 21st
Grotto Meeting - 7:30 p.m.
Dinner - Ladies Invited
Awards Night
Shrine Center

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By R.W. Christina Hampton

As we come to the end of another year, R.W. Ken Milner and I thank Starlight Chapter and the Monroe District for all the support they have given us this year. We couldn't have done it alone.

Our project, Camp Good Days and Special Times, has been very successful. Over and above all the donations of paper goods and snacks, we were able to purchase five benches for the Camp. These benches will display a plaque stating they were "Donated by Monroe District Order of the Eastern Star 2009." Many thanks to all who contributed in any way to our project.

Reminder Dates

October 3rd - Line Officers Meeting, 9 a.m., Unity Lodge Hall, Spencerport

October 9th - 12th - Grand Sessions in Binghamton. Anyone who received a confirmation from the Binghamton Regency (showing a departure date of October 12th) please note ... that date is WRONG. It should have read October 13th. This has been corrected so you don't need to take any action.

October 18th - The Interfaith Service and Brunch will be held at the Damascus Shrine Center. Tickets are \$10 and reservations must be paid in advance. No tickets will be sold at the door.

October 29th - Monroe District Banquet at Burgundy Basin. Information has been mailed to the Chapters.

Friday, November 6th - Reception for new Grand Officers, 7:30 p.m. at Unity Lodge Hall, Spencerport.

November 7th - East-West Luncheon; details will be given at Line Officers meeting.

This year, instead of a District Christmas Party (where everyone is asked to bring a dish-to-pass), we will have a Christmas Brunch. This will be on Sunday, December 6th, 1:30 p.m. at Unity Lodge Hall, Spencerport. Tickets will be available for the brunch. We hope you will come and bring your holiday spirit with you.

Finally, R.W. Ken and I wish our new leaders much success in the coming year. We close our message by reminding you ... *May we never miss a rainbow or a sunset because we're looking down.*

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By W. Robert Crystal

As I write to you, I can still sit on the back porch in my shorts and slap mosquitoes. Well, not really ... the computer is inside. But I am sipping a cold white wine and thinking about how nice it will be to ride in Leroy Lester's great bus on October 17th and look at the Fall colors, taste wine at as many as four vineyards and eat at that great restaurant looking out over the lake. MMMM !! I will certainly make sure Worthy Matron Pat Dalykas and Associate Matron Jean Stewart know

I want a seat. I plan to invite one of my church ladies to come, too. This is an open invitation to all, so any Star can call to reserve a seat and bring a guest.

On October 6th, we have invited some Sisters to tea! Nolatka will have a tea party with entertainment and socializing after the meeting. But the best part will be our guests from Erie District. I am looking forward to meeting and hosting them at a new fun activity for us. I hope a lot of Nolatka Sisters can come to be good hostesses. Hmm. I wonder what flavor scones Carol Wynings will make... Currant? Marmalade? Elderberry? (Or my favorite) All Three!

Our Worthy Matron has finally seen the light at the end of

the tunnel. I hope she is 100% after her neck surgery and can fully enjoy all that I have written about.

Sara Stephens is back home after a lengthy hospital stay. Good for you, Sara!

Lastly, some news that makes me proud and happy. Jean Stewart has accepted nomination as District Deputy Grand Matron for 2010. I am sure she will do a great job and I look forward to helping her with her project and supporting her in visiting around the District.

So, Sisters and Brothers, plan on a Fall Season as great as the Winter and Spring ones. Hurrah, Worthy Matron Pat!

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In Memoriam

Baird, Theodore E.

Theodore Baird, 90, departed his Earthly family August 24th and is survived by his wife, Clara. He was a member of Scottish Rite Valley of Rochester. May he find peace with the Lord.

Bundoc, George J.

George Bundoc, 75, laid down his Working Tools on August 29th and his life will long be remembered by his mother, Felicia Bundoc; companion, Sharon McComber; 4 children, 7 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. George was a very active member in Valley-Simes Lodge; York Rite Hiram Chapter, Doric Council and Cyrene-Monroe Commandery; Rochester and Starlight Chapters, O.E.S. He served in leadership positions in each or-

ganization and served on the Council of the Masonic Service Bureau. There are special people in our lives who never leave, even after they're gone.

Hook, Robert W.

Robert Hook, 73, passed away August 18th. He was a member of Canandaigua Lodge. His Masonic Brothers and family will miss him.

Packard, Stuart

On May 22nd, Stuart Packard passed away. Stuart was a member of Canandaigua Lodge. Remembrance is a golden chain that ties all the love and sorrows.

Pearse, Warren, Jr.

On August 21st, Warren Pearse went to the Celestial Lodge leaving his wife, Gladys, 3 children, 6 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren to re-

member his life. Warren was a member of ERAC Lodge, Scottish Rite and Shrine. He labored hard for those he loved, then left us to remember.

Skelton, Kathleen

Kathleen Skelton, 89, entered Eternal Rest on September 21st. She is survived by 2 children, 2 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. She was a member of Nolarka Chapter, O.E.S., more than 60 years and worked hard for the Fraternity. A page in our book of memories is gently turned today.

Widow to be Remembered

Leggett, Ann S., 86, widow of William Leggett, Sr., (Craftsman Robertson Lodge), passed away May 20th.

Tall Cedars of Lebanon

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Sickness and Distress

As far as we know, Eugene Brown is in the Canandaigua Veteran's Facility. If you would like to contact Gene, please call Don Bell to verify. Don Freeman's condition remains the same.

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- 1st Work Day - Close Camp DeMolay
- 7th IDC - 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., Shrine Center
- 11th Masonic Development Course, Caledonia
- 14th Harvest Dinner, Shrine Center
- 14th Commandery Pilgrimage, Hornell
- 25th Tall Cedars Election
- 30th Masters & Wardens, Spencerport

DECEMBER

- 1st O/S/Y Garoga-Sincerity Official Visit
- 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
- 19th IDC - 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., Shrine Center

JANUARY

- 9th IDC - 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., Shrine Center
- 13th Masonic Development Course, Caledonia
- 20th Masters & Wardens, (Dinner @ 6) 6:30 p.m., Shrine Center
- 20th School of Ritual, 7:30 p.m., Shrine Center
- 26th-28th MSAT Workshop, Utica

FEBRUARY

- 6th Road to the East, Caledonia
- 13th IDC - 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., Shrine Center
- 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

- 13th-15th MSAT Workshop, Utica
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SNOWBIRDS - don't miss your next issue!
 Call us when you are leaving; Call us when you return!
 We had too many problems with people who ALWAYS went at this time and returned at that time...not doing it. Your current address is where the next issue will be sent unless we hear from you by October 20th.

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| <p>4
Clio Lodge
Spaghetti Dinner
October 14th and 28th
287 East Avenue, Hilton</p> | <p>5
Wayne Savannah (OV)
Canandaigua - Shortsville
RAM - Palmyra/Eagle
KT - Cyrene/Monroe - Pitsford
Pitsford
Lalla Rookh Grotto, Board of Governors, 7 p.m. -
Shrine Center
Damascus Shrine Divan
Shrine Lunch Club</p> | <p>6
Clio - Hilton (1°)
Craftsman Robertson, Shrine Center
Garoga-Sincerity - Phelps
Nunda Station
Oakland - Castile
OES - Fairport, Nolaika, Starlight</p> | <p>7
Drumlin Square - Palmyra (OV)
Livonia
Olive Branch - LeRoy
O/S/Y Grand Lecturer's Convention, Garoga-Sincerity-Phelps
Damascus Shrine
OES - Lilac Star</p> | <p>8
Fame, Shrine Center
Milnor - Shortsville
Union - Lima
Webster - Fellowcraft
RAM - Hiram (MMM°)
Lalla Rookh Caldron - Executive Council</p> | <p>2
Webster Lodge
Spaghetti Dinner
5-7 p.m. \$7 adult; \$4 Child
30 Orchard Street
O/S/Y Apron Presentation</p> | <p>3
iDC, Shrine Center
OES-Line Officers, Spencerport</p> |
| <p>11</p> | <p>12
ERAC - Shrine Center
Fairport-Flower City
Union Star - Honeoye Falls
Unity - Spencerport
Wakan-Hubbard - Penfield
Wayne Grand Lecturer's Convention, Drumlin Square - Palmyra
Shrine Lunch Club
Columbus Day</p> | <p>13
Eagle - Honeoye (BBF)
Seneca - Webster
Valley-Simes, Shrine Center
Livingston Grand Lecturer's Convention, Phoenix - Dansville
OES - Leah - Hilton; Mary Jane Holmes - Brockport</p> | <p>14
Oatka - Scottsville (1°)
Webster - Fellowcraft
Masonic Service Bureau
Monthly Luncheon Meeting
Wayne Wayne (OV)
Genesee-Wyoming Grand Lecturer's Convention, Constellation - Perry
Shrine Legion of Honor
OES - Corinthian-Fellowship</p> | <p>15
Eunice - Caledonia
Northfield - Pitsford
Webster
Scottish Rite, Symbolic Lodge Awards - Shrine Center
Spaghetti Dinner, Eagle - Honeoye</p> | <p>16</p> | <p>17</p> |
| <p>18
Interfaith Service and Brunch
10 a.m.
Shrine Center</p> | <p>19
Canandaigua - Shortsville
RAM - Palmyra/Eagle
KT - Cyrene/Monroe - Pitsford
Lalla Rookh Grotto, Legion of Honor
Wayne Pulneyville (OV)
Shrine Lunch Club
Auburn Shrine Club</p> | <p>20
Clio - Hilton
Craftsman Robertson, Shrine Center
Garoga-Sincerity - Phelps
Nunda Station
Oakland - Castile
Wayne Sodas (OV)
OES - Fairport, Nolaika, Starlight</p> | <p>21
Ark - Geneva
Drumlin Square - Palmyra (OV)
Livonia
Olive Branch - LeRoy
OES - Lilac Star</p> | <p>22
Fame, Shrine Center
Milnor - Shortsville
Union (3°) - Lima
RAM - Hiram (EM°)
James A. Hard/Wayne Charter Post No. 12
Wayne Masters & Wardens
Perry Shrine Club</p> | <p>23
Monroe Grand Lecturer's Convention, Fairport Lodge Hall</p> | <p>24
Doric Council Honors M.: III.: Arnold Palmer
Spaghetti Dinner, 5-7 p.m.
Oatka Lodge-Scottsville</p> |
| <p>25</p> | <p>26
ERAC - Shrine Center
Fairport-Flower City
Union Star - Honeoye Falls
Wakan-Hubbard - Penfield
Wayne Clyde (OV)
Livingston District Association, 7:30 p.m., Union Lodge - Lima
Shrine Lunch Club
Geneva Shrine Club</p> | <p>27
Eagle - Honeoye (OV)
Seneca - Webster
OES - Leah - Hilton</p> | <p>28
Oatka - Scottsville (1°
Historical Lecture)
Tall Cedars of Lebanon
Livingston School of Ritual, Mt. Morris
Directors Staff
OES - Corinthian-Fellowship</p> | <p>29
OES-Monroe District
Banquet
Burgundy Basin</p> | <p>30</p> | <p>31
Halloween</p> |

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